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First Baptist Church will present its annual easter Pageant April 9-11 at Tablerock amphitheatre. The community is invited.

## Easter pageant staged April 9-11

With more than 100 cast and crewmembers, the Music Ministry of the First Baptist Church in Salado will present its seventh annual Easter Pageant, I STAND IN AWE.

The Pageant will be at 8:15 p.m. April 9-11 at Tablerock Amphitheater on Royal Street in Salado. Admission is free. Bring a lawn chair or blanket to watch the performance under the stars.

This musical, written by David T. Clydesdale and directed by Minister of Music Randy Carder, is a powerful presentation of the last earthly days of Jesus Christ. This dramatic musical presentation with the cast in biblical period costumes in the setting of the beautiful outdoor Tablerock Amphitheater traces Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem to the Last Supper with the 12 disciples, His crucifixion, resurrection and His heavenly ascension. The story is told by the Apostle John, portrayed by Frank Wallace, the Minister of Education and Administration at First Baptist. The role of Jesus is played by Pastor Brian Dunks.

The opening medley combines two powerful songs of worship and adoration: "I Stand in Awe," with soloist Ferral Quiroz and "Thou Art Worthy." It then moves into an exciting "Hosanna" with soloist Larry Sands and a lovely song for the Lord's Supper,

"At the King's Table," with soloist Ben Willingham. The scene in the Garden of Gethsemane with Christ and a few of his disciples is beautifully portrayed with the background music of "As the Deer."

The performance then progresses to the crucifixion with a Graham Kendrick classic, "Amazing Love." Soloist Melinda Dunnahoo sings to the crucified Christ, the stirring song, "Lamb of God." A brand new arrangement of the classic hymn, "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" with soloist Kathleen Deal brings the impact of the crucifixion to focus. The final section begins with a powerful song of the resurrection "Arise My Love," with soloist Dean Cockrell then moving to the timeless classic, "Christ the Lord is Risen Today." The pageant closes on a note of celebration and praise with "He is Lord," "Alleluia! Alleluia!" and the theme, "I Stand in Awe."

For more information, contact the church office at 947-5465 or go to the website at [www.fbcshalado.org](http://www.fbcshalado.org)

Those attending the pageant should bring a blanket or lawn chairs and come early. Barbeque sandwich suppers and other concessions will be sold prior to each evening performance. All proceeds from the concessions will help fund the Xtreme4Christ youth choir summer mission tour to the New Orleans area.



Taylor Jones and Rebekah Quick practice their roles in Salado High School's UIL One Act Play, which qualified for the Area Contest.

## SHS keeps up winning tradition as District Academic Champs

Keeping up tradition, the Salado Eagles took home the district UIL academic championship for the seventh straight year, winning many events in convincing fashion.

Not counting One Act Play, 40 Salado High School students participated in the District Academic Meet. In a previous competition March 25, the One Act Play team advanced out of district round and into the area round.

Individual results in the district contest are these:

- Ready Writing: Grant Boston, first;
- Editorial Writing: Grant Boston, first;
- News Writing: Kristi Billington, second; Mattie Billington, fifth;
- Feature Writing: Kelsey Smith, second;
- Headline Writing: Grant Boston, first; Brinn Newman, second;
- Current Events: Tim

Hodgin, first; Mike Rodriguez, fourth; Jared Brank, fifth;

Number Sense: Joseph Shumate, first; Ines Min, second; Jenny Goode, third; Matt Caskey, fourth;

Computer Applications: Brandon Peters, fourth; Kate Marshall, fifth;

Prose Interpretation: Dixie McCollough, first; Ariel Simpson, second; Crystal Schoellman, fifth;

Poetry Interpretation: Garrett Askins, first; Taylor Jones, third; Brandi Warren, fourth;

Calculator Applications: Matt Brown, first; Brinn Newman, second; Colby Cox, third; Scott Williams, fourth;

Spelling and Vocabulary: Jenny Goode, first; Brinn Newman, second; Jonny Kendall, third; Jenny Ewton, fourth.

Literary Criticism: Grant Boston, first; Kristen Singleton, second;

Ariel Simpson, third; Tim Hodgin, fourth;

Science: David Farrow, second;

Computer Science: David Farrow, first; Jason Heuer, second; Joseph Shumate, third; Tyler Rooney, fourth;

Mathematics: Matt Brown, first; Joseph Shumate, second; Matt Caskey, third; Scott Williams, fourth;

Social Studies: Jared Brank, sixth.

Winning teams from Salado were Journalism, Current Events, Number Sense, Calculator, Mathematics, Computer Science, Spelling and Literary Criticism.

A total of 25 Salado students qualified for the Region IV AA Academic Meet, to be held April 23-24 in San Marcos. The One Act Play squad performed in the area round of competition April 6 in Fredericksburg.

## Aldermen award 5-year contract to police chief

By Tim Fleischer  
Editor-in-Chief

Salado aldermen gave Police Chief Alan Rogers a five-year contract and a five percent raise during their April 1 meeting at the Municipal Building.

The board also approved two variance requests from builders in the village.

The board followed the recommendation of the

Planning and Zoning Board in granting a variance to John Kohutek Homes for a home in Mill Creek. The builder requested that the 25 foot setback from the front property line be waived in order to save a large tree in the center of the lot. The board of aldermen allowed the builder to use a 12-1/2 foot setback from the front property line for the home.

Aldermen also approved a sign variance for Stage Stop Properties for its building on Main Street across from the Civic Center. The variance was to allow a 46 square foot sign. The Sign Ordinance allows larger signs for buildings with multiple tenants.

Aldermen took no position in the upcoming \$46 million bond election for a new jail and court com-

plex on Loop 121. Members of the Citizens Task Force requested a formal endorsement of the bond by the board of aldermen. The board opted to take no position in the May 15 election. An earlier similar bond of \$61 million failed in September.

Aldermen also re-appointed Bobby Carroll as alternate election judge and discussed a request for input from the

Texas Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Regulation on the obstacles facing the community and its economy.

Salado aldermen will meet in workshop session 4 p.m. April 7 at the Municipal building to discuss subdivision drainage and roadway concerns on Royal Street. Their next regular meeting will be 6:30 p.m. April 15 at the Municipal Building.

## GOP run-off slated April 13

Local Republicans will vote in a primary run-off election April 13 at the Salado Civic Center. Voting will be 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

Robert Butler and Victor G. Carrillo are vying for the Republican nomination as Railroad Commissioner.

Early voting in the primary run-off is 8 a.m.-5 p.m. through April 8 at the Bell County Annex in Belton.



# FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



## The Boy Scouts in the Cross Hairs

Are courtesy and cheerfulness religious tenets? Is building a campfire a sacred rite? Is a neckerchief the equivalent of a priest's stole?

In their determination to do legal injury to the Boy Scouts in any way possible, the American Civil Liberties Union and other opponents of the Scouts are effectively answering "yes," "yes" and "yes." In the wake of the Supreme Court's Dale decision in 2000, upholding the right of the Scouts to keep homosexuals from serving as scoutmasters, there has been a wide-ranging effort to punish the Scouts for exercising their First Amendment right of free association. The latest hit, in San Diego, depends on the absurd argument that the Boy Scouts are a kind of church. The Boy Scouts claimed in the Dale case that they are a religious organization, but if they are indeed a religious organization, they shouldn't be receiving public benefits. The Solomonic souls on the San Diego City Council bought it. The city agreed to cancel a lease in Balboa Park with the Boy Scouts and pay the ACLU nearly \$1 million in legal fees, thus subsidizing its harassment of the Scouts. Maybe San Diego taxpayers can pony up cash to support the ACLU's work on behalf of exotic dancers next.

It is possible to be an organization made up of religious believers without being a religion or a church, as the Scouts are arguing in a countersuit in San Diego. California's liberal 9th Circuit Court of Appeals has held: "First, a religion addresses fundamental and ultimate questions having to do with deep and imponderable matters. Second, a religion is comprehensive in nature; it consists of a belief system as opposed to an isolated teaching. Third, a religion often can be recognized by the presence of certain formal and external signs."

### Rich Lowry



Does this describe the Scouts? The Boy Scouts ask members to do their duty to country and God, but the "imponderables" usually don't go much deeper than how to tie a figure-eight knot. Christians, Jews, Muslims, anyone who believes in God qualifies as a member, which makes the organization an odd sort of religion. The Scout Law provides that a scout be trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent -- a laundry list of virtues that is thoroughly nonsectarian and nonobjectionable.

The Scouts' attackers are not seeking "neutrality" in how the government regards religion. They want to whip any organization with a serious commitment to morality out of the public arena, enshrining what Justice Arthur Goldberg once called "a brooding and pervasive devotion to the secular."

Liberal commentators have charged that President Bush, by endorsing a constitutional amendment banning gay marriage, has "reignited" the culture war. The ongoing anti-Scout campaign shows that the culture war was raging long before Bush's entry into it, and that the aggressors are those who hate the Boy Scouts and all that they represent. For them, "scout's honor" are fighting words.

## April politics to pick up pace with Rice 9\11 panel testimony. Runoff, Special Session follow

Thank goodness for the modest March lull in Texas politics, as well as within the upside-down world of the Washington beltway. As we momentarily catch our collective breath, we note several April attractions that will glue us to the print and electronic media outlets - that we alternately damn or praise, depending on who is reporting and which way the news is being slanted.

Tomorrow's main event will be the public testimony of Dr. Condoleezza Rice, President Bush's National Security Adviser, before the 9/11 Commission. The expected two-plus hour session will be under oath and no doubt feature a complete refutation of all charges made by Rice's former White House associate Richard Clarke, against Bush and his administration's alleged "weak" handling of terrorism in general, and bin Laden, al-Qaida & the Taliban in particular.

### PRESIDENT AND VEEP NEXT

Best guess on timing, is that late next week Bush and his power-packed Veep Dick Cheney, will go before the Independent 9/11 Investigative Panel in an unusual joint appearance, which was the only way the duo would agree to testify. Hard to foul up testimony when they sit side by side - ping-ponging answers, but it will be instructive and precedent setting - despite all denials to the contrary.

### RUN-OFF ELECTION TUESDAY

April 13 is Texas' "run-off" election day. Vote results producing the most interest to Saladoans will come from our neighbors in District 17's Congressional brouhaha. It created the roughest hair-pulling cat-fight in years, between State Rep. Arlene Wolgemuth (R-Burleson) and Waco's Dr. Dot Snyder, that has come down to the wire in a squeaker. Winner to face incumbent Democrat Chet Edwards in November.

### SPECIAL SESSION - MID APRIL?

Word out of Austin is that Governor Perry, with or without a consensus over funding the reformation of the public school finance shambles, will call a special session - probably April 19!

An example of just how politically inept the Guv really is, revolves around his base support, namely the business interests of the State. The Texas Business Association is openly opposed to any sort of "fair sharing" of the tax burden to equalize and/or increase spending on schools. However, the Dallas Chamber of Commerce reported they believe a strong workforce needs a strong public education system, and they are willing to pay a broad-based business activity tax, to get that accomplished.

Down Houston way - the business community there says "Skip the special session" since all of Perry's ideas lead to higher taxes, and that's anathema to the Bayou City's commercial leaders.

If this is "consensus" (as Perry has demanded) - then problems galore will highlight the special session, with an expected end-result of more "do-nothing-ism."

We commend Republican State leaders Carole Strayhorn (Comptroller) and David Dewhurst (Lt. Governor) who are wisely suggesting, from their respective "bully pulpits," the need for "New Taxes" to offset the ailing "No New Tax" litmus test that characterizes Perry, Speaker Tom Craddick and altogether too many other conservative lawmakers.

### Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Another item of current national interest includes the highly charged matter, of the "one nation, under God" phrase in our Pledge of Allegiance (changed from "one nation, indivisible" in 1954), that has been taken before the Supreme Court by an unhappy atheist on behalf of his daughter. A daughter incidentally, who doesn't reside with him and is a church going Christian according to her mother! The Supremes have this challenge under advisement and will come up with what will hopefully be a decision to leave the Pledge intact.

If we cannot recognize God, as Congress and the Supreme Court do on a daily basis - then who do we commoners turn to, when our needs become greater than we can handle? Or do we actually believe we are such advanced products, resulting from six thousand years of biblical evolution, that we now need no help from a higher source?

If we subscribe to that sort of idiocy, then we better hope (and pray) that God has a well developed sense of humor when He learns of our foolishness.

### "SCHOOL DAZE"

Interesting news item that didn't get much play here in Texas, came from an ABC news report that Arnold Schwarzenegger, the "Gropen-Fuhrer" recently elected Governor of California, has enrolled in a "special-help" school. Some naughtily termed it "grope school." Not to learn "how" (he's a skilled groper) but to unlearn this bad habit and try to do better in the future.

The curriculum helps "touchy-feely" guys understand what is (and is not) acceptable, even in that far-out sexually liberated land of make-believe.

Groping came up during the campaign that saw Arnold take over the debt-ridden land of fruits and nuts, from recalled Demo Gray Davis.

### BRISCOE: "BUSH-KERRY EVEN"

Called my old boss, former Governor Dolph Briscoe, who still headquarters at the First State Bank in Uvalde, to congratulate him on his forthcoming induction into the "Hall of Great Westerners" in Oklahoma City next month.

Visit naturally turned to politics and in answer to questions about the current status of the Bush-Kerry donnybrook and possible November 2 outcome - the 80 year old rancher-banker and life-long Democrat, was quick to opine that it looked like a 50-50 race right now: "Which is a long way from how things looked a few months ago when the President was riding a popularity high of over 75 percent!"

Briscoe said Kerry would do well to concentrate on the economy where Bush is vulnerable. As to the anti-terror war-front, he noted the race could very well turn, in the final days of the campaign, on events that happen half a world away - in Iraq or Afghanistan.

Briscoe was arguably the last conservative Democrat to hold the State's highest office and many feel that until Democrats groom candidates of his stature and political leaning - they will remain a weak minority party at all levels of State Government.

That's -30-

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# Shape Up or Be Shipped Out

## Business in Focus

by Jack Faris

It's impossible these days to avoid advertisements for the latest abdominal shapers or aerobics machines, not to mention the guaranteed weight-loss gimmicks. Judging by the audiences that tune in the mega-sports events such as March Madness, one would think that America is a nation obsessed with fitness and physical activity.

But that's a false assumption, says the U.S. Department of Human Services, which notes that fitness problems such as obesity have reached epidemic proportions in the United States.

Faced with unlimited options for comfort, an over-abundance of food and entertainment delivered right to our overstuffed recliners, we Americans are gorging ourselves on the good life. We deserve it, we rationalize, because we work hard and spend long hours at our chosen occupations.

It's also virtually impossible these days to avoid advertisements and news reports about another favorite American contact sport, the upcoming Nov. 2 election. Like March Madness, November Nuttiness has become a made-for-television event filled with fouls, fights and free throws.

But this is no spectator sport. It calls for participation. Unfortunately, the participants--registered voters--may head for the exits before the final play-off begins. Four years ago, barely half of the nation's voting age population of 205 million people even bothered to show up at the polls. Like our weakening physical condition, we are also in danger of letting our political muscles atrophy.

That's one reason the National Federation of Independent Business is about to launch a fitness program for small-business owners and politicians alike that is not based on a passing fad, but whose roots can be found in a doc-

ument more than 200 years old. The First Amendment to the Constitution, better known for its protection of free speech, also asserts our national right "to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

Small businesses in America have a big grievance: conditions preventing them from obtaining fair and affordable health-insurance coverage for their employees and themselves have become unbearable. In the last decade, employer-sponsored health coverage has changed dramatically. Premium increases, which were virtually non-existent in the mid-1990s, have re-emerged with a vengeance. In 2003, increases of 15 percent to 20 percent were common.

To ensure that the increasingly grim health-insurance picture for small business is clearly understood by those who will be facing voters in November, NFIB is preparing a nationwide effort to petition the government, primarily the U.S. Senate, to pass legislation allowing small businesses to band together to purchase affordable health insurance.

The Senate, having swallowed a heaping helping of hokum by labor unions, big businesses, liberal health groups and state officials threatened by the idea of Small-Business Health Plans, has let its legislative system become clogged.

By exercising their political muscle with a national petition drive, small-business owners are going to send politicians a strong message that obtaining fair and affordable health coverage is their Number-One priority. They will hold those who fail to shape up accountable on Election Day.

Jack Faris is president of NFIB (the National Federation of Independent Business), the nation's largest small-business advocacy group.



# FORUM



## Teacher unions stifle reform

By MICHAEL QUINN SULLIVAN

It's a good thing Texas' teacher unions don't operate in Colorado, or they would have to go on strike - against their own teachers.

Teachers in Denver, voted recently to bring greater accountability to their classroom and reward excellence in their profession by endorsing merit pay and scrapping the old system that simply focused on seniority. That system was remarkably like the one being fiercely protected by unions in our state as Texans consider significant reforms to our system of education and school finance.

Indeed, the Texas Federation of Teachers is very worried. The prospect of real education reform, like paying teachers based on performance rather than seniority, has union leaders losing sleep, even as classroom teachers cheer.

Union boss John Cole recently noted in a March 1 missive on the TFT website about the "bad ideas" being floated in the education reform debate. Interestingly, each of these so-called "bad ideas" will give taxpayers, students, and most significantly, our effective teachers, better schools and higher pay.

The TFT may be hot about "incentive pay," but teachers in Denver voted to accept a contract that pays teachers based on student performance - that is, academic improvement based on that state's accountability systems.

This just moves Denver closer to the real world, though further from Texas, classroom experience.

Texans not working in public schools are paid based on our performance, and will lose our job if we don't measure up. But the teacher unions are work-

ing in overdrive to not only keep bad teachers in the classroom, but to stop efforts to pay good teachers more.

Translation: if you are a good teacher, the union doesn't represent you.

But opposition to reform runs deeper than keeping bad teachers in the classroom.

The teacher union's Cole decries efforts to remove the outdated, racist "prevailing wage" laws rooted in the Davis-Bacon tradition that keeps many small contracting firms out of school construction projects.

Reducing the costs of construction projects by eliminating this relic of the past would mean more money gets to the classroom. Seems like a no-brainer for an organization allegedly committed to academic excellence? Right.

TFT is first and foremost true to the brotherhood of unions, not the well-being of Texas schoolchildren. Davis-Bacon and similar prevailing wage laws were designed to keep small construction companies, many operated by African Americans and Hispanics, out of job sites.

These laws drive up costs and run down quality. And reduce the money available for actual classroom instruction.

And why would a teacher group be so concerned with prevailing wage laws?

It is increasingly clear teacher unions in Texas represent only the status quo.

This includes a status quo where only 52 percent of our Hispanic high school population and 46 percent of our African American population graduate. This status quo finds only 50 cents of

every dollar goes to the classroom. It is a status quo where many of our college bound high school graduates need remedial work to even begin their first year of college.

But as long as more money is spent, bad teachers kept on the payroll, and accountability kept to a minimum, the unions are happy.

The unions argue against the most basic of reforms, and rely simply on political scare tactics. After all, in his website tirade, Cole offered no rationale for opposing reforms. He instead cast snide dispersions on the character of the chairman of the House committee overseeing school finance reform. The union bosses hope to stifle debate by flexing their sizable political bank account, not engaging in academic discourse.

But that's because the research is against them. Empirical research has shown incentive pay brings out the best in everyone. Years of research prove competition and accountability, not blank checks, produce the best academic results.

Texans are demanding true reform in education, not a defense of the status quo. Texas teachers and taxpayers deserve a system of education that promotes academic excellence through efficiency, accountability and competition.

In short, everything the unions oppose. Lawmakers must choose between the status quo, and good public policy. Hopefully they will fight for all Texans - instead of the status quo.

Michael Quinn Sullivan is vice president of the Texas Public Policy Foundation, a non-partisan research institution.

## MONSANTO SUES MILK PRODUCERS



Jim Hightower

If you think CorporateWorld can't get any more conniving, you've not figured on Monsanto.

This is the biotech outfit that's trying to profit by putting its artificial growth hormones into our milk supply. Since consumers overwhelmingly reject this adulteration, Monsanto lobbyists got our government to let this milk be marketed with no labeling of the adulteration, so we milk-buyers won't know what we're getting.

The good news is that several dairies have responded by declaring on their milk cartons: "No Artificial Growth Hormones Used." The bad news is that Monsanto greedheads have unleashed packs of their attack-dog lawyers to sue several of these dairies, claiming that these "No Artificial Hormones" labels are - get this - false and misleading, because they might cause you and me to think that natural milk is better for us than milk with Monsanto's additive.

In the first place, I do think that. But, secondly, the dairies are not making any such health claim - they're merely informing us that the corporate additive is NOT in their milk. What's false or misleading about that?

Nothing, but by simply filing these frivolous lawsuits, Monsanto can intimidate the dairies into changing their labels. It recently succeeded with this bullying tactic against Oakhurst Dairy in Maine. Monsanto was prepared to spend a quarter of a million dollars or more just on lawyers to squeeze Oakhurst. How's a small dairy going to match that?

After fighting for several months, Oakhurst has settled out of court, agreeing to alter its label - even though Maine public opinion was solidly behind Oakhurst and even though legal analysts say Monsanto's legal case was silly putty.

Oakhurst is the third small dairy that this biotech Goliath's money has beaten down, and others are targeted. For the purity of our milk, marketplace and judicial system, we consumers need to stand against the bully. Call the Organic Consumers Association: 218-226-4164.



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### A Strengthening Economy

The last few years have been rife with the ingredients of an economic disaster, but despite a recession, terrorist attacks at home and abroad, corporate scandals and war, our economy is getting stronger. Inflation, interest and mortgage rates are near historic lows and homeownership is at the highest level ever. Stock market wealth has increased by more than \$4 trillion in the last year, and unemployment has dropped to 5.6 percent recently - below the aver-

## Capitol Comment



Kay Bailey Hutchison  
U.S. Senator



age rate of the 1970s, 1980s and 1990s.

### Making the Tax Relief Permanent

These numbers are good and they are getting better. But the positive news could be short lived unless Congress acts to make the tax relief permanent. Unfortunately, when we passed the Jobs and Growth Act in 2003 we were forced to sunset on the tax cuts and many of them will begin to fade away at the end of this year. After December 31, 2004, the expansion of the 10 percent bracket and alternative minimum tax relief will disappear. Even more frustrating is the fact that the marriage penalty - one of the most egregious elements of our tax code -

is coming back, unless we act again.

### The Marriage Penalty

One of my highest priorities in the U.S. Senate has been to relieve American taxpayers of the punitive marriage penalty. Last year we raised the standard deduction and enlarged the 15-percent tax bracket for married joint filers to twice that of single filers. This provision will save 34 million married couples an average of almost \$600 on this year's tax bills. But, in 2005, marriage will again be a taxable event for millions of Americans. Without relief, 48 percent of married couples will again pay more in taxes. While I continue my efforts to make marriage penalty relief

permanent, I have introduced legislation to extend last year's victory for married couples for one year, through 2005. We must make sure we do not back-track on this important reform.

### Fairness for Texans

As we look at making the tax relief permanent, we must also strive to ensure basic fairness for all Americans. Unfortunately, for the last two decades Texans have been singled out by the federal government. In 1986, a landmark tax reform law eliminated the deduction for state and local sales tax, but not the deduction for income tax. As a result, taxpayers from states like Texas, who pay sales tax but no income tax, have been penalized. The philosophy behind these deductions is simple and straightforward: people should not have to pay taxes on their taxes. The money given to one level of government should not be taxed by another level. I have introduced legislation to address this inequity and am hopeful my colleagues will agree that Texans - and residents from the other six states with no income tax - aren't treated unfairly.

These are just a couple of the ways I am working in Washington, D.C. to restore equity to our tax code. Hard working Texans deserve to keep more of their own money. Last year proved you know how best to spend your dollars and that tax relief creates jobs, and strengthens our economy.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Village of Salado

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**When:** Thursday, April 15, 2004  
**Time:** 6:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Municipal Building  
**Subject:** Adoption of Comprehensive Plan

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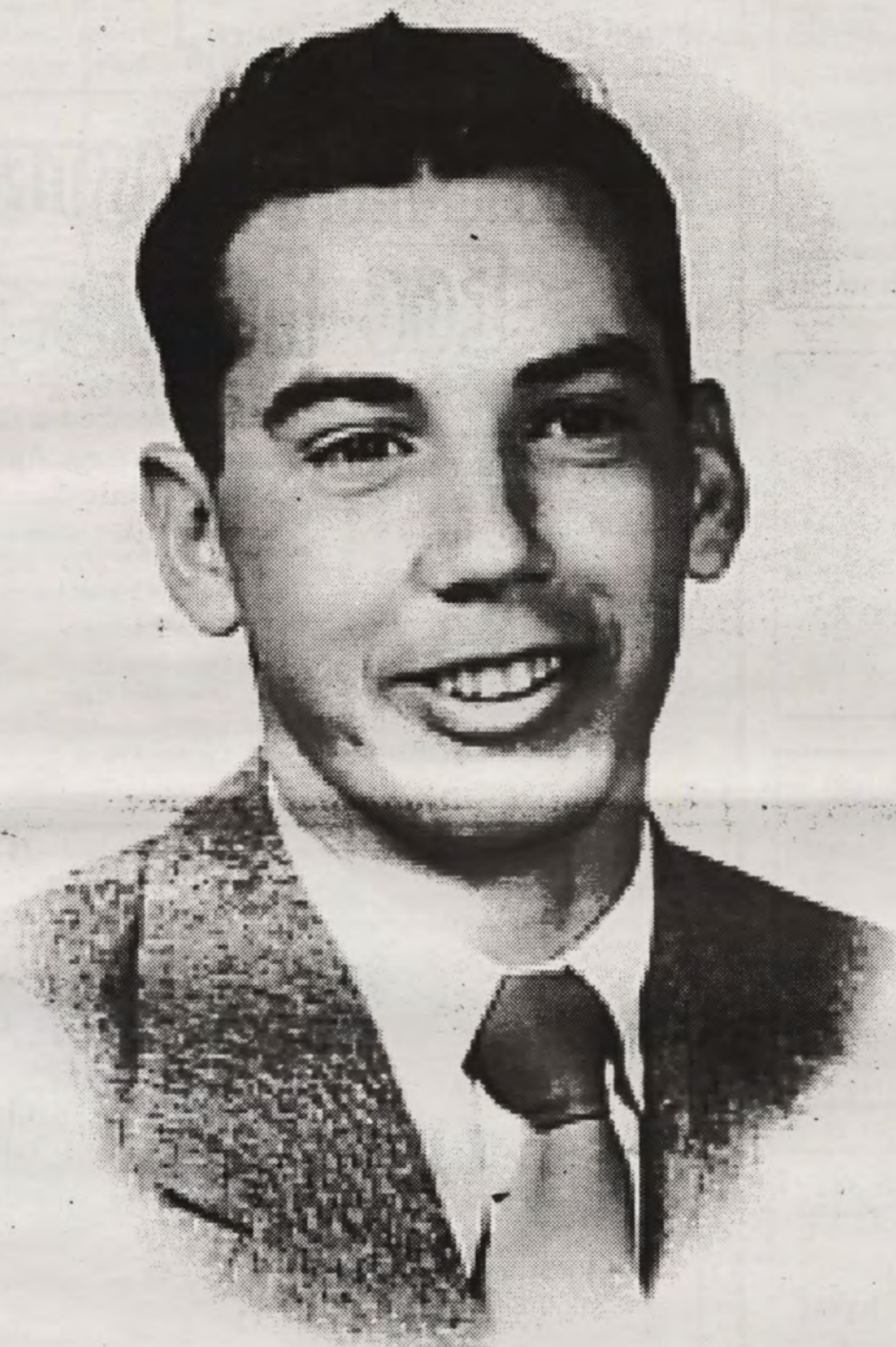
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# CHURCH NEWS

## SALADO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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## Easter Sunrise Service to be held April 11

The Annual Community Wide Easter Sunrise Service will be held 7 a.m. April 11 at the Pace Park Pavalion. The Cedar Valley Sing-

ers, under the direction of Donny Jackson, will provide the music. Those assisting with the music are Bob Helms, Jerry Sanders, Judy Taylor, Clayton Capps, Linda Jackson, Naomi Lewis, and Herb Taylor.

Rev. Joe Bentley, of Salado, will bring the message. He ministered at the Salado United Methodist Church for over 20 years. He was Fire Chief in Salado before he was selected to

serve as Bell County Fire Marshall. Presently he is Field Deputy with the Bell County Sheriff's Office.

Welcome and Invocation will be by Rev. Grady Brittain of SUMC. Rev. Joe Keyes, Salado Church of Christ, will do the Benediction.

Those attending should bring lawn chairs and dress warmly.

## Easter egg hunt at Civic Center

The Annual Salado Community Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for 3 p.m. April 10 at the Salado Civic Center.

Games and face painting will begin at 3 p.m. The Easter Bunny will also make an appearance at that time. The Easter Egg Hunt begins at 3:30 p.m.

This event is for children 10 and under. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Each age group will have a special area for hunting eggs. Prizes will be awarded.

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## Presbyterian Church of Salado

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### Holy Week Services

#### Palm Sunday Service

Sunday, April 4 • 10 a.m.

#### Maundy-Thursday Service

Thursday, April 8 • 7 p.m.

#### Easter Sunday Service

Sunday, April 11 • 10 a.m.

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## Presbyterian Church of Salado celebrates Holy Week April 5-8

The Presbyterian Church of Salado is celebrating Holy Week with special services on Palm Sunday, April 5-8 and Easter Sunday, April 11. Everyone is invited to join in these services.

The Palm Sunday service was April 4. The children of the congregation processed with palm leaves as the choir sang a special anthem. During the service, Jeanne Moran was ordained as an elder for the congregation. Palm

### Holy Week at SUMC

The Salado United Methodist Church announces their Holy Week events:

- 8 a.m., 9 a.m., and 11 a.m. April 4 - Palm Sunday services;
- 11:30 a.m. April 8 - Maundy Thursday Communion service;
- 7 p.m. April 8-9 - Easter Cantata, "Written in Red;"
- 3-4 p.m. April 10 - Community Easter Egg Hunt;
- 7 a.m. April 11 - Easter Sunrise Service at Pace Park;
- 8 a.m., 9 a.m., and 11 a.m. April 11 - Easter Sunday services at the Church.

For more information on any of these events contact SUMC at (254) 947-5482.

Sunday is traditionally the day that the church celebrates the triumphal arrival of Jesus into Jerusalem marking the beginning of Holy Week.

The Maundy-Thursday service will be held 7 p.m. April 8 in the church sanctuary. It will begin with a light meal and will provide reflections on the meaning of the cross and the resurrection in light our sin and separation from God. It will conclude with communion and a Tenebræ service of the lights.

Maundy-Thursday is traditionally the day that

the church remembers Jesus sharing the Passover meal with his disciples, his agony in the Garden of Gethsemane, and his betrayal and arrest. The Tenebræ portion of the service reminds the church of the absolute darkness of life without the light of a resurrected savior.

The Service of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday will be 10 a.m. April 11, in the church sanctuary. The service will focus on the resurrection of Jesus Christ and how we can join that celebration. The service will

be a celebration of the new life that we enjoy in Him. During the services, new members will be accepted into membership in the church. The church will also take a collection for the One Great Hour of Giving. The Easter Sunday service is a festive time of music and praise when the church celebrates the triumph of life over death.

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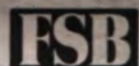
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Pictured is Larry Freeman (right), President of the Mill Creek Community Association, and LaNora Miller, treasurer, presenting a check in the amount of \$250 to Tom Brown, chief of the Salado COPS program for their annual donation. (PHOTO BY SCHUTLER KUYKENDALL)



President of the Mill Creek Community Association, Larry Freeman, right, and LaNora Miller, treasurer, presented Matt Kelly, President of the Salado Volunteer Fire Department a check in the amount of \$250. This was the MCCA's annual contribution to the fire department.

## Sparks passes away at age 79

Funeral services for Sammie Bryan Sparks, 79, of Salado were held March 31, 2004 at the Salado United Methodist Church with Rev. Skip Blancett and Rev. Grady Britain officiating. Burial followed at the Salado Cemetery.

She was born Sammie Joyce Bryan on Aug. 30, 1924, in Davidson, OK and was raised in Frederick, OK. She was the second of six children to Gladys Ceclilia Estes and Joseph Columbus Bryan. She married William (Bill) Sparks on April 14, 1945 in Muskogee, OK and became the proud parents of two daughters, Sandra Jo and Cindy Kay.

She was a hard worker and was employed primarily by the federal government as a budget analysis. She was a lifelong member

of the Methodist Church and a yellow-dog Democrat.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Joe Edward Bryan and sister, Wanda Joe Brown Elliott.

She is survived by the love of her life, her husband of almost 59 years; daughters, Sandra Grossman, of The Woodlands, and Cindy and husband, Brad Weiwel, of Austin. She is also survived her sisters, Virginia Felts and husband, Bill, of Afton, OK; Tommye Hiler and husband, Hugh, of Granbury; Chida Cortina and husband, Angel, of Islamorada, FL, and Sherry Bryan of Hurst.

She is also survived by her grandchildren, Kelly Nicole Grossman, Nikki Kay and husband, Zack Yazici, of The Woodlands, Samuel Bradford Weiwel,

Andrew William Weiwel, and Zachary Bryan Weiwel, of Austin; and one great-granddaughter, Katie Ashley Grossman, of The

Woodlands.

Dossman Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

## Funeral services for Brown held April 5

Bertha Compton Rich Brown, known to all as "Boots," passed away April 1, 2004.

Funeral services were held April 5 at the Salado United Methodist Church with Rev. Grady Brittain officiating. Burial followed in Salado Cemetery.

She was born in Gatesville on July 22, 1912 and was raised in Mississippi Delta, where she attended the University of Mississippi, Oxford. She moved to Dallas in 1946 where she resided until 1979, when she and Garland moved to Salado. She was a member of the Salado United Meth-

odist Church, the Monday Club, Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary, and served as a volunteer librarian from 1987-97.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Emma Artilissa Wolfe; father, Charles Coates Compton; sister, Sarah C. Corbett; and brother, Charles Coates Compton, Jr.; and husband, Garland Lyneer Brown.

She is survived by her children, William T. Rich, III and Rita Rich Browning, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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# Byington returns from deployment

Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Steven W. Byington, Jr., son of Carole L. and Steven W. Byington, of Holland, recently returned from a routine, scheduled deployment on board the USS Peleliu, homeported in San Diego, while assigned to the 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), based out of Camp Pendleton, CA.

During the deployment, Byington's unit conducted humanitarian assistance, security and stabilization missions in Iraq. They also patrolled international waters in the Red Sea and Horn of

Africa to deter the transport of terrorist personnel and equipment.

His unit is an expeditionary intervention force with the ability to rapidly organize for combat operations in virtually any environment. MEUs are composed of more than 2,000 personnel and are divided into an infantry battalion, aircraft squadron, support group and command element. With this combination, Byington's unit supplies and sustains itself for either quick mission accomplishment or clearing the way for follow-on forces.

# Police warn of Distemper

The Salado Police Department has received a number of calls for service in reference to wild animals believed to be infected with Rabies. Investigation, capture and evaluation of most of the animals by Veterinarians and the Texas Department of Health, have shown these animal did not have rabies. Instead of Rabies, the animals were infected with Distemper.

The Distemper virus is fatal to animals and livestock. It is transmitted in many ways from the infected animal to a

healthy one. Distemper causes a swelling of the brain, blindness, lethargic or aggressive behavior.

Human contact should be avoided with any wild animal especially during the spring and summer months. Pets need to be monitored closely if left outdoors. To prevent your animal from being infected with the Distemper virus or Rabies you must keep your pets shots up to date. If you feel your pets or livestock have been infected you should contact your veterinarian immediately.

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Thomas Arnold Elementary third graders work out restless limbs on the school's new playground equipment April 5. The new play area was first unveiled just after Spring Break, but it is evident the novelty of the shiny new jungle gym has yet to wear off on these youngsters.

With over 80 children taking part in outdoor recess at any one time, the Salado Parents and Teachers Organization decided about a year ago that more space was needed for the kids. Through its annual fundraisers, such as the golf tournament held at Mill Creek, enough money was raised to construct the area. Looks like it's money well spent. (PHOTO BY CHRIS MCGREGOR)

## Salado students honored as Incredible Kids

Ten "Absolutely Incredible" Kids and five noteworthy adults will be honored April 13 at the Bell County Expo Center during the Fifth Annual "Absolutely Incredible Kid Celebration" luncheon. The event begins at 11:30 a.m. with music by the Ellison High School Chamber Singers.

Among the youth being honored is Clayton Cook, a junior at Salado High School; Kayla Kirchmeier, an eighth grader at Salado Intermediate School; and Abby Buchanan, a senior at Belton High School.

The youth were selected from nominations based on citizenship, positive character traits such as courageous spirit, heroic nature in addition to being a positive influence at school, home, church, or organizations.

"We are excited about recognizing youth and adults who are serving as positive role models for their peers in today's soci-

ety," said District Director Karen Allman.

"Absolutely Incredible Kid Celebration" arose from an existing national Camp Fire USA letter writing campaign where thousands of letters of love, appreciation, and encouragement are written anonymously to youth nationwide.

For more information about the Celebration or to make reservations for the luncheon, contact the local Camp Fire office at (254) 773-6614, by March 31.

## Registration for Pre-K and kindergarten held through June 13

Thomas Arnold Elementary School will hold Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten registration now through June 13. Times to register are 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at the TAE office. New student registration begins Aug. 12.

To register, you will need the child's current shot record, birth certificate, and social security number.

Pre-Kindergarten students must be four years old on or before Sept. 1 while Kindergarten students must be five.

For more information call (254) 947-5191.

## Ryan Morris receives Baylorian award

A total of 71 students received awards at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor on April 1.

Each student was awarded either a medal based on effort, academics, or character; an award in an area such as scholastic achievement, service in some area of university life, or special talent; or a monetary scholarship to use in coming semesters to help meet school expenses.

Ryan Morris, of Belton, Kelley Reno, of Copperas Cove and Kalyn Flanagin, of Bridgeport, all received the Baylorian Award, which was presented to the Co-Editors of the *Baylorian*, the university publication.

Morris is a 1997 graduate of Salado High School.

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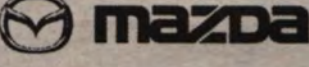

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## Filling the Gaps project underway by Texas Dept of Transportation

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has begun a project to install concrete median barriers at various locations along Interstate 35.

The project is designed to provide added motorist safety along the interstate by "filling the gaps" between existing sections of barrier wall, currently separating the northbound and southbound lanes. The 42-mile project, which began in southern Bell County on March 31, also includes portions of the interstate in McLennan and Hill counties as well.

"This project is an important step toward securing safety on I-35 and I look forward to its completion," said State Representative Dianne White-Delisi, R-Temple. Once completed, a concrete barrier will be in place continuously along the 94 mile I-35 corridor from the Bell/Williamson County line, south of Salado, north, to the Hill-sboro East/West split.

Warning signs and other traffic control devices will be set up first, followed by the

preparation of the inside shoulders and median. Actual barrier placement will not begin until mid to late May, with the project tentatively scheduled for completion by late Fall of this year.

W.W. Webber, Inc. of Carrollton, will undertake the project at a cost of \$10 million. Temporary lane closures are scheduled to take place between 7 p.m.-7 a.m. Sun.-Thurs., for the duration of the project. Dates and locations of temporary lane closures will be available on the TxDOT Highway Condition Report at [www.dot.state.tx.us](http://www.dot.state.tx.us).

TxDOT urges motorists to reduce speed, be patient and exercise extreme caution when driving through the work zones.

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Capital Media Group, a new communications company located in Temple, held its open house April 1. The company's headquarters is in the Media Square Building, located at 1405 West

Adams. Capital Media Group was formed last year by managing partners, Lynn Woolley, of Temple and John C. Perry, of Salado, and operates as a subsidiary of Materials Transporta-

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It is a full service communications and marketing company. The company provides complete advertising services, public relations activities, internet services, and can help any organization meet their communication goals. Although a relatively new company, Capital Media Group has already helped a number of clients with product promotions and sales, as well as event planning and promotion.

Capital Media Group will soon build a radio production and broadcast studio at Media Square. The company is in the process of creating national radio syndication properties. Capital Media Group is also developing several publishing projects.

The public is invited to attend and tour the Capital Media Group's facilities.

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# Three "Must-do" Steps to Work Toward Successful Investing

You've probably seen plenty of magazines featuring pictures of affluent-looking people who have "made it big" in investing. While these photos may grab our attention, the articles can be more illuminating - because, if they're honest, they will usually reveal that those investors who supposedly "hit the jackpot" actually earned their prosperity by diligently following a few simple steps over many years.

And you, too, can make the same moves. What are these "secrets to success?" Here are three to consider:

- Create a plan - If you don't have an investment plan, you are susceptible to making all kinds of costly mistakes. For example, you may be tempted to chase after "hot" stocks - only to discover that, by the time you buy them, they are already cooling off. Or, you may randomly invest in a stock here, a bond there, a CD next month, a Treasury bill next year, and so on. But you won't increase your chances of success just by adding more and more investments.

That's why you need to create an investment plan that's based on your risk tolerance, your specific goals and your time horizon. By putting together a diversified array of high-quality stocks, bonds and other vehicles, you may be able to make steady progress toward your objectives.

You can draw up this type of plan by yourself, of course, but you may find it easier - and more productive - to work with a financial professional who knows your situation and who can make objective recommendations.

- Keep investment performance in perspective - Many people make one of two mistakes when it comes to tracking their investments. They either forget about what they own, or they zealously follow every single price movement, large or small.

Both of these moves can be troublesome. If you pay absolutely no attention to what you've invested in, you could someday find that your investments are no longer suitable for your needs. On the other hand, if you are constantly fretting about

## Financial Focus

by Allen Mantanona



price movements, you'll be tempted to make hasty "buy" and "sell" decisions that ultimately may work against you.

Instead of following either of these paths, look for a middle ground. Be aware of how your investments are performing, but always keep this performance in perspective. A stock could have a bad month, or even a bad year, and yet still have a promising future. Conversely, another stock may be "hot" at the moment but face daunting challenges for future success.

The bottom line? Review your portfolio regularly - at least once a year. Evaluate how your investments have done in the recent past and what they may do in the coming months and years.

Most important of all, try to determine if your holdings are still doing what you want them to do. Are they growing at the pace you need? If they're designed to provide income, are you getting the amount you want? Again, when you're reviewing your portfolio, you can benefit from working with a financial professional.

- Invest for the long term - It sounds easy - but it's not. To really invest for the long term,

you need patience, perseverance and the ability to focus on events that won't occur for several decades.

That's not to say you won't have short-term goals, such as a down payment for a house, a family vacation, etc. And there are some investments that are

well-suited for these needs.

Overall, though, you will probably find that most of your portfolio will be devoted to achieving your long-term objectives - a comfortable retirement, college for your kids, etc.

So, you must build - and maintain - the mix of investments that have the "staying power" you will need.

There you have it - three moves you'll need to make to be a successful investor. By following these suggestions,

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## Garcia Marquez' greatness solidified with Love

By CHRIS MCGREGOR  
STAFF WRITER

When it comes to accomplished writers, there's great and then there's great. Gabriel Garcia Marquez, in his own sense, is the latter.

He is one that advances the meaning of that word; salvages it from a world that recklessly kicks it around like a hackey sack.

Overuse shears at the word's meaning. It's akin to hacking at a boulder with an axe: over time the edge is blunted.

Garcia Marquez, though, is deserving of the badge.

Shoulder to shoulder with the best of them, the Columbian-born Nobel Laureate is on the short list of the most important living writers on this planet.

His masterwork to-date, the epic *One Hundred Years of Solitude*, is impactful on near-transcendent levels. It is more than a book.

He has never published a work of inferior quality, but has just one English-language release in the past decade, *Love and Other Demons*.

A sparse, slim and outwardly simple story of consummately different people, who are drawn together

because that's the way an indifferent fate would have it, the book is evocative and at its core, hauntingly sad.

True to his other books, Garcia Marquez populates this tale with characters that wrestle with their destinies; they are dominated by circumstance and uncertainty, hemmed by those unflappable constraints.

As you might expect from someone raised in Catholic-dominated Columbia, God figures prominently in all his works, including this one, but more as a distant, unmeddling figure rather than a source of respite from life's miseries.

It's almost as though Garcia Marquez's God asks sarcastically, "You made this mess for yourself, now you want my help in digging out of it?"

Inspired by an encounter Garcia Marquez had as a young newsman, *Love and Other Demons* is set in the 18th century in a sun-dappled colonial South American seaport, with its dust-clogged avenues and fetid slave quarters that teem with the musk of outlaw rituals, those smuggled from the far shores of Africa to the new world.

Sierva Maria de Todos los Angeles, the book's principle figure and the only daughter of

an apathetic Marquis and his debauched wife, is a strange and budding beauty whose long copper hair must be braided so that she doesn't trip while walking.

On her 12th birthday she is bitten by a rabid dog. Hated by her parents because they recognize in her what they most despise in one another, she spends her time with the slaves, adopting their languages, dances and customs. Because she has little to no contact with them, Sierva Maria's parents know nothing of her bite until days later.

In a time when the church ruled iron-fistedly and scientific reason was blasted as heresy, it is gradually assumed that the erratic, occasionally violent girl who refuses to speak is possessed by demons, though she shows no signs of rabies or illness.

Attempting ridiculously to justify his own wasted life by bathing his daughter in belated attention, her father - a pathetic, defeated man - commends her fate to the local bishop, who then sends her to the convent of Santa Clara, where she will be prepared for exorcism by the erudite and compassionate Father Delaura.

What follows is a rather



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Gabriel Garcia Marquez

pointed condemnation of Inquisition-era intolerance in the midst of an ill-fated love that is doomed from its first spark.

True, there is much suffering in this book, as there is in life. Also, there are episodes of profound beauty, as there are in life. It is the intractable nature of the human condition.

The trip is worth it, though, for the literary reputation Garcia Marquez enjoys is no fluke. He is a truly brilliant craftsman whose facility with language and storytelling is one of a kind.

And totaling just over 150 pages, the reading of *Love and Other Demons* won't take up much of your time.

All told, if you've never read him before, there's no better place to start than here.

## Norah Jones continues to take breath away

By TIM FLEISCHER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Two years after her hugely successful and critically acclaimed "Come Away With Me," Norah Jones continues to take her listener's breath away with a depth of raw emotion imbued with a lingering sound that plays in the mind long after the final notes of the song.

"Feels Like Home" is Norah's follow-up to an astonishing debut for this incredibly talented Texas torch singer.

Listening to the baker's dozen of songs on the record evokes memories of a dark, quiet bar vacant except for the listener and the singer. Norah's smoky voice meanders through songs filled with yearning, loss, love and hope. Though it is by far the

catchiest and most radio-friendly song on the album and climbing its way up the charts, "Sunrise" is not the best on the collection.

That would be reserved for "What Am I to You," in which Jones wrote:

If the sky should fall,  
Would you even call?  
I've opened up my heart,  
I never wanna part,  
I'm giving you the ball.

Her simple lyrics lay over her work on the Wurliitzer electric piano and Tony Sherr's electric guitar to give the tune a slow, sad jukebox sound. The kind of song one would drink the night away to, pushing its number on the jukebox over and over again, trying to drink away that lost lover.

Norah Jones and her

Handsome Band members collaborate for the majority of the songwriting on "Feels Like Home."

"Those Sweet Words" is most reminiscent of "Don't Know Why," Jones' #1 breakout song from her multi-Grammy award-winning debut album "Come Away With Me." A slow backbeat accompanied by Jones' lilting, lingering piano fills this song written by Lee Alexander and Richard Julian with sensuality and a sense of a waking dream.

My least favorite is the country-styled "Creepin' In," which segues from a traditional country rhythm to almost a revival song featuring the grating voice of Dolly Parton to offset Norah's low,

sweet sound.

"The Prettiest Thing" is typical Norah Jones in its piano-dominated slow melody, the kind of song that you will want to grab your wife (or husband/boyfriend/girlfriend/dog... anyone nearby) and pull them close to you and hold them for its entirety. And following that sexy simple number is "Don't Miss You at All."

"Don't Miss You at All" has Norah's lyrics written over music by Duke Ellington. Its lilt is seductive and simple. Well-crafted verse gives a melancholic voice to Ellington's haunting music on this final track of the record.

It's a fitting end to Jones' second album, leaving the listener wanting just one more song... one more dance around the kitchen.

## The Ladykillers is typical, but not best of Coens

By TIM FLEISCHER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

A Coen brothers movie, at the very least, is like kissing your second cousin... sure, it might be fun, but you don't want anyone in the family to know about it. Their latest collaboration, a remake of the 1950s *The Ladykillers*, is no exception.

Like the litany of Coen Brothers films preceding it (*Bad Santa*, *Intolerable Cruelty*, *O Brother, Where Art Thou*, *The Big Lebowski*, *Fargo*, *The Hudsucker Proxy* and *Raising Arizona*), *The Ladykillers* will have you giggling at things that your mother taught you not to laugh at, such as death, dismemberment and Irritable Bowel Syndrome.

The Coen Brothers have revamped the British classic comedy with a Southern flair, most notably displayed by Tom Hanks' character, Goldthwait Higgins Dorr, III, Ph.D. G.H., or The Professor, so-

called by his teammates who are using the root cellar of Mrs. Munson's Victorian-era home to dig a tunnel into the vault of a nearby casino in hopes of freeing its cash reserves.

Irma P. Hall steals the show from Hanks and his supporting cast of buffoons and miscreants, even outshining the ever-popular Marlon Wayans, who simply recreates the foulmouthed character for which he is best known. Wayans is so heavy-handed that his vocabulary is more of an assault than a joke.

While Hanks will be lauded for his portrayal of the peculiar "Professor," its cuteness falls slightly flight in this dark comedy. To steal a phrase from his own archaic lexicon, Hanks' professor is sinister, yet not sinister. Over playing the Professor's Old South charm is more as cartoon than caricature. Hanks works much too hard at his character, and

this comes across in volumes on the big screen. The Coen Brothers have been terrific so far in picking the perfect person to portray the idiosyncratic characters of their films -- think of Jeff Bridges' "Dude" in *The Big Lebowski*, George Clooney's Ulysses in *O Brother, Where Art Thou?*, Frances McDormand's Sheriff Marge Gunderson in *Fargo* and Nicholas Cage's Hy in *Raising Arizona*.

Yet, they missed the mark with Hanks as The Professor. Billy Bob Thornton would have been much darker, natural and funnier. Having noted that, I must point out that the Coens were dead-on in casting J.K. Simmons as Garth Pancake, the TV commercial director turned demolitions expert who suffers a couple of painfully funny bouts of Irritable Bowel Syndrome. Simmons is best-known for his portrayal of Vernon Schillinger in HBO's prison series *Oz*.

The two characters could not be further apart and show Simmons' talent as a character actor.

In spite of its weaknesses, *The Ladykillers* is a delicious dark comedy that is slow in its build-up and a rollercoaster ride to the finish as the team of criminals must decide how best to 'do-in' Mrs. Munson, after she witnesses them in mid-heist.

Each take a shot at the church-going, Bible-quoting Southern lady and their outcome is hilarious at the least.

While it is far from the best of the Coen Brothers, it is better than most from anyone else working in Hollywood.

**The Ladykillers**  
Rated R  
My grade: B

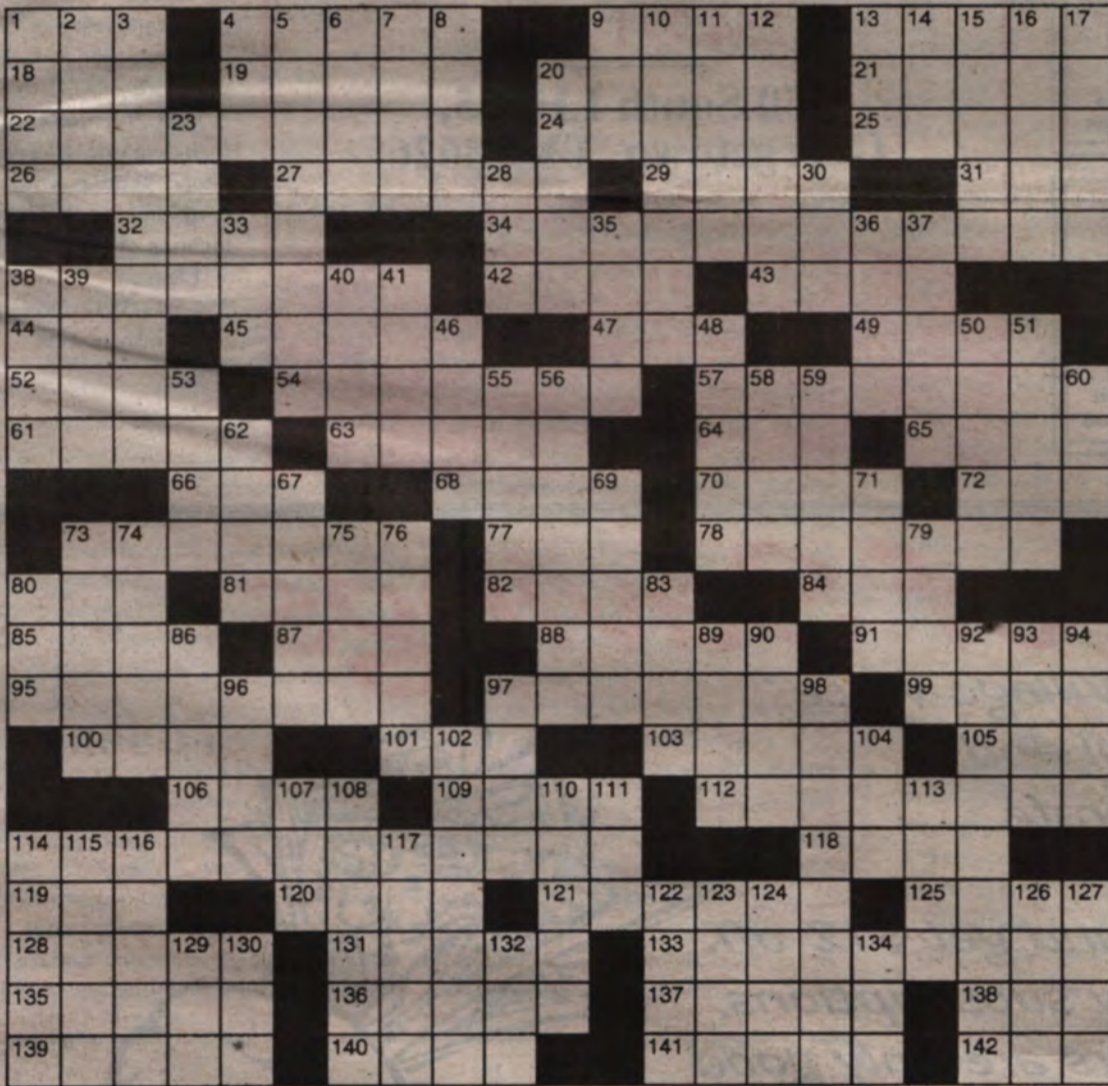
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Carol is a vivacious performer who grew up on a dairy farm in Iowa listening to her dad's barbershop quartet rehearse in the living room. Her career has taken her all over the world, including Europe, the Middle East, Asia, and an upcoming musical tour will take her to Mongolia and Bulgaria.

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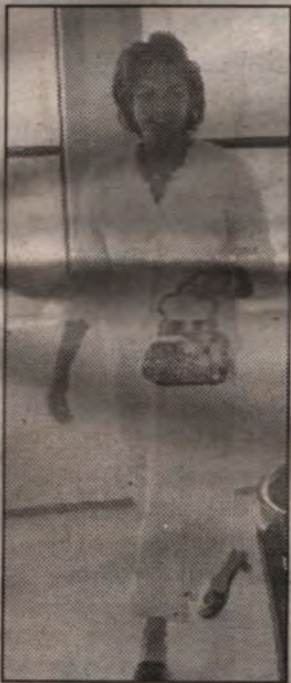
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**APRIL 9-11**

Wildfire Ranch "Shoot-Out" Info: 947-0291 or 947-8080.

**APRIL 9-11**

Easter Pageant at Tablerock, presented by First Baptist Church of Salado. 8:15 p.m., bring lawn chair. Free admission. Info: 947-5465 or www.fbcsalado.org.

**APRIL 10**

Music in Salado concert, 7 p.m. at the residence of Dr. Doug Willingham. Info: 947-5592.

Children's Community Easter Egg Hunt 3 p.m. at SUMC.

**APRIL 11**

Easter Sunday, annual Community Easter Sunrise Celebration at Pace Park, 7 a.m.

**APRIL 15**

"You don't need a wok-Asian Cookery" cooking class with Dave Hermann at The Range. Call 947-3828 or e-mail therange@vvm.com for reservations or more information.

**APRIL 17**

Village of Salado Daughters of the Republic of Texas meeting, 10 a.m. at Robertson Ranch. Info: 933-0240 or 947-5232.

**APRIL 19**

St. Stephen Women's

Society program on antiques, given by Jane Buggs. 7:15 p.m. at the Parish Hall.

**APRIL 22**

"Spring and Summer Soups & Salads" cooking class with Dave Hermann at The Range. Call 947-3828 or e-mail therange@vvm.com for reservations.

**APRIL 22**

Mud Pies Pottery make a bowl for the Salado Family Relief Fund. Dinner is provided. Bring your own drink. Free, but limited to 10 people. Reservations accepted. For reservations call 947-0281.

**APRIL 24**

Salado Yard & Garden Tour Tickets \$10 each available at the Salado Civic Center. For more information call 254-947-8300. Sponsored by the Public Arts League of Salado (PALS) for the beautification of Salado.

**APRIL 27**

Salado Chamber of Commerce Candidates Forum, 7 p.m. at the Civic Center. Featuring candidates for board of aldermen, school board and public library board. Info: 947-5040.

**MAY 3**

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**MAY 8**

Tablerock's 10th Annual 4th Grade Play. Proceeds benefit 4th grade class senior trip. Adults/\$5, children/\$3. Info: 947-9205.



APRIL 10 - Music in Salado concert with Soprano Carol Meyer. 7 p.m. at the residence of Dr. Doug Willingham. Info: 947-5592.

**MAY 8**

Open Team Bass tournament benefitting SHS senior class at Rivers Bend Park, Stillhouse Hollow Lake. Entry fee: \$125 per team. Info: 947-5148 or 832-236-3474.

**MAY 14 AND 16**

First Baptist Church of Salado 140th anniversary celebrations. Info: 947-5465.

**MAY 15**

Mill Creek Community Association Neighborhood Cleanup Day, 8:30-11:30 a.m. Free donuts and coffee before, hot dogs and chips after. Info: 947-3901.

**MAY 15**

Local elections, 7 a.m.-7 p.m. for Salado ISD Board of Trustees, Salado Public Library District Board of Trustees, Village of Salado Board of Aldermen/Mayor. Salado Civic Center.

**MAY 22-23**

World Team Roping Association at Wildfire Ranch. Info: 947-0291 or 947-8080.

**MAY 23**

Salado High School baccalaureate service, at FBC of Salado.

**MAY 25**

Salado High School commencement ceremony at Bell County Expo Center. Info: 947-5429.

**MAY 27**

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**MAY 28-30**

Antique, Art and Home Decor Show and Sale, presented by MWM Ranch. 9-6 Fri., 9-8 Sat., 9-4 Sun. at Wildfire Arena.

**MAY 31**

Salado Cemetery Association Memorial Day Service, 9:30 a.m. Info: 947-5402.

**JUNE 3-5**

Judy & A.C. Green Literary Festival for more information call

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**JUNE 4-6**

Writers League of Texas Retreat in conjunction with AC Greene Festival for more information call 947-3104

**JUNE 12**

Annual Salado Reunion, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at Salado Intermediate School cafeteria. All former Salado students, teachers and friends welcome. Catered lunch. Info: 947-5783 or 939-3187.

**JUNE 23**

Mud Pies Pottery make a bowl for the Salado Family Relief Fund. Dinner is provided. Bring your own drink. Free, but limited to 10 people. Reservations accepted. For reservations call 947-0281.

**JULY 3**

6 p.m. Salado Historical Society Annual Fourth of July Picnic at Pace Park Pot Luck

**JULY 22**

Mud Pies Pottery make a bowl for the Salado Family Relief Fund. Dinner is provided. Bring your own drink. Free, but limited to 10 people. Reservations accepted. For reservations call 947-0281.

**JULY 24**

Salado Legends 12th Annual Performance dinner 7:15 p.m., Theater 8:15 p.m. at Tablerock Amphitheater For more information call 254-947-9205 or www.allcentex.com/tablerock Tickets adult \$15, child 12 and under \$5

**JULY 26-31**

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**AUGUST 7-8**

8th Annual Salado Art Fair in Pace Park For more information call the Salado Chamber of Commerce 947-5040

**SEPTEMBER 4-5-6**

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**SEPT. 10-12 & 17-19**

World Team Roping Association Finals at Wildfire Ranch. Info: 947-0291 or 947-8080.

**SEPTEMBER 11**

Mill Creek Community Association Fall Social at Mill Creek Restaurant. 6-7 p.m. happy hour, 7 p.m. dinner. Info: 947-3901.

**SEPTEMBER 18-19**

10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Tablerock's Fantasy Faire & Shakespeare Play 8:15 p.m. at Tablerock Amphitheater for more Faire information call 254-947-1339 Faire Tickets adults \$5, children \$3 Shakespeare tickets \$10 adult, \$5 child. For more information on play call 254-947-8933

**SEPTEMBER 20**

Wine & Wildflower Festival sponsored by Pubic Arts League of Salado. For more information call 947-3429.

**SEPTEMBER 25-26**

8:15 p.m. Shakespeare Play at Tablerock Amphitheater For more information call 254-947-893

**OCTOBER 8-9**

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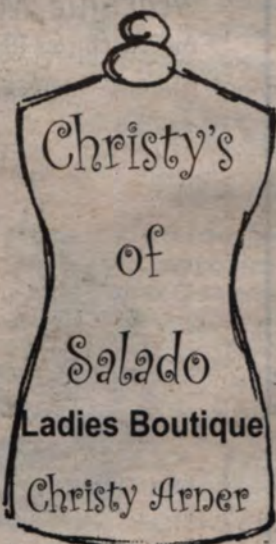
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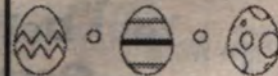
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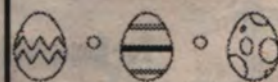


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## OCTOBER 30-31

7 p.m.- 11 p.m. **Fright Nights** Family Halloween Fun at Tablerock's Trail. Adults \$5 Children \$3

## NOVEMBER 1

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## NOVEMBER 5-6-7

10 a.m.- 10 p.m. **Chisholm Trail Days** Shops, Shoot Outs, eat at a campfire, cowboy poets and songs. Admission adults \$10 children \$5 For more information call 254-913-0366

## NOVEMBER 12-14

**Gathering of the Clans** at Robertson Plantation & College Hill.

## NOVEMBER 18

7 p.m. **Salado Historical Society Annual Chili Supper**, Salado Civic Center

## NOVEMBER 23

Noon deadline for Salado Village Voice newspaper Dec. 1 publication

## NOVEMBER 25-26

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APRIL 10 - Children's Community Easter Egg Hunt 3 p.m. at Salado Civic Center.

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**DECEMBER 3-4**

**A Christmas Carol**  
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**DECEMBER 3-4-5**

**Salado Christmas Stroll**

**Salado Historical Society Annual Christmas Homes Tour TBA**

**DECEMBER 10-11-12**  
**Christmas Stroll**

**DECEMBER 10-11**

**A Christmas Carol** 7 p.m at Tablerock Amphitheater Tickets Adults \$5 children \$3  
6:30 p.m. Sandwiches and drinks available For more information call 254-947-9205

**DECEMBER 14**

**MCCA Christmas Dinner** at Mill Creek Rest.. 6-7 p.m. happy hour. 7 p.m. dinner. Info: 947-3901.

**DECEMBER 24**

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**Boy Scouts:** Each Monday, 6:30-8 p.m. at the Methodist Church.

**Monday Club:** 1st Mon., 2 p.m., Salado United Methodist Church.

**Salado Chamber of Commerce Board:** 2nd Mon., 6 p.m., at Civic Center.

**Salado FFA Meeting:** First Monday of the month, 7 p.m. in the elementary school cafeteria.

**Salado I.S.D. Board of Trustees:** 3rd Mon. at 6 p.m., at Salado Civic Center.

**Salado Library District Board:** 4th Mon. at 5:30 p.m., at Salado Public Library Building.

**Salado Masonic Lodge #296:** 8 p.m. on the Mon. on or before the full moon.

**Salado Village Artist Quilters:** 1-4 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Mon. in the Salado Village Artist Building.

**Storytime:** 11-11:30 a.m. every Monday at the Salado Public Library (ages 3-5).

**Salado 4-H Club:** 1st Mon. through May, 7 p.m. at Thomas Arnold Elementary.

**Exercise Class:** Aug. 18-end of school year,

9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. except first Monday of the month, which will begin at 10:30 a.m. Class includes stretching, strengthening and Pilates. Held at Salado Civic Center. Class is FREE to public.

**Salado Democrats:** 6:45 p.m., first Monday of each month at the Civic Center.

**Salado Youth Fair Boosters:** Third Monday of each month, 7 p.m. at the elementary school library.

**Tuesdays**

**Salado Rotary Club:** 11:30 a.m., Stagecoach Inn.

**Salado Band Boosters:** Second Tuesday at 3:45 p.m. in the Band Hall.

**Yoga Classes:** 6:45 p.m., at the Halley House.

**Salado Village Artists:** 10 a.m. at Salado Art Center.

**Salado Family Relief Fund:** 2nd Tues. 1 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

**Salado High School Band Boosters:** 2nd Tues. of every month 7 p.m. in the Band Hall.

**Salado Area Republican Women:** 3rd Thursday of month. Times vary. Call 947-8422 or 947-3617 for information.

**Wednesdays**

**Salado Creekside Cloggers:** 6:30-8:30 p.m.

**Salado Youth Baseball Association:** meetings 7 p.m. at Civic Center.

**Salado Presbyterian Church:** Friends meet second and fourth Wednesday, 10 a.m.-noon. All women welcome. Info: 947-5982.

**Lions Club:** 2nd & 4th Wed. at 11:30 a.m., Creekside. Board meets 2nd Wed. 8 a.m.

**Mill Creek Community Association Board:** 3rd Wed., 5 p.m., at Civic Center.

**Scottish Country Dance Lessons:** 8-9:30 p.m. at the Scots Hall of the Clans. 947-0325 for info.

**Thursdays**

**Salado Area Republican Women:** 4th Thursday of month. Times vary. Call 947-3617 or e-mail denisarw@vvm.com, for information.

**Village of Salado Board of Aldermen:** Regular meetings on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of month, 6:30 p.m. at Salado Municipal Building unless otherwise posted.

**Chisholm Trail Chapter ABWA:** 1st Thurs. 6 p.m. at Stagecoach Inn. 947-0173.

**Salado Ladies Auxiliary:** 2nd Thurs., 10 a.m., Salado Civic Center

**Salado Water Corporation Board of Directors:** 3rd Thurs., 4 p.m. Corporation office.

**Salado Historical Society:** board of directors, 3rd Thursday, 7 p.m. Salado Civic Center.

**PTC:** (SIS Parent Teacher Co-op) meets the 2nd Thursday 3:45 p.m. in Room 101 at SIS.

**Salado Education Foundation:** Regular Board meetings, 9 a.m. 2nd Thurs. at Salado Civic Center.

**Salado Business Association:** General meetings, 3rd Thursday 8:45 a.m. upstairs at the Civic Center.

**Salado Neighborhood Group of the American Sewing Guild:** 3rd Thurs. of each month 5:30 p.m. at The Sewing Basket.

**Salado Moms:** play-group, contact Amanda at 947-5507.

**Saturdays**

**Food Pantry:** 2nd and 4th Sat. at First Baptist Church. 9 a.m.-10 a.m.

**Salado Church of Christ Ladies Devotional Prayer Breakfast:** 3rd Sat. of month, 9 a.m.. Location varies. Info: 947-5241 or 947-3533.

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## by Tumbleweed Smith



"Music has been a big part of my life ever since I was a child. My folks afforded me piano lessons growing up. My sister and I were both playing organ in church before we were teenagers. I became interested in singing in junior high and high school and was a member of choral groups. That gave me the idea to embark on a career in music and become a high school choir director. I got a voice scholarship to TCU in 1971 and two years later went to the University of Oklahoma and got a degree in music education."

He expanded from choral and keyboard music into orchestral music and studied violin, viola and music theory. He earned a master's degree in composition and music theory. While pursuing his advanced degree, he was assistant director of the University of Oklahoma symphony and became

interested in symphonic music.

In 1979 while working on his doctorate in conducting at the University of Oklahoma, he was awarded a Fulbright Scholarship to study in Italy for year. He studied Vivaldi's music, which became the subject of his dissertation.

In the 80's he was invited to guest conduct the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra. Since he grew up in Big Spring, he considered it a real honor.

In 1990, while teaching choral music at Livingston University in Alabama, he suffered two ruptured discs. Major surgery failed to cure the problem and the doctor told him to find something else to do. He retreated to Big Spring and worked in the family business. He was out of music for ten years. A lot of that time was spent prone on the floor, the only place he could get comfortable.

In 1998 a doctor said he could help Keith.

"Technology had

caught up with my particular problem and he installed rods and screws in my back. After a long period of recovery I became interested in music again and started helping the Big Spring Symphony with administrative matters."

In 2000 Keith became director of the Midland-Odessa Symphony Chorale and in 2002 took the job as conductor of the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra.

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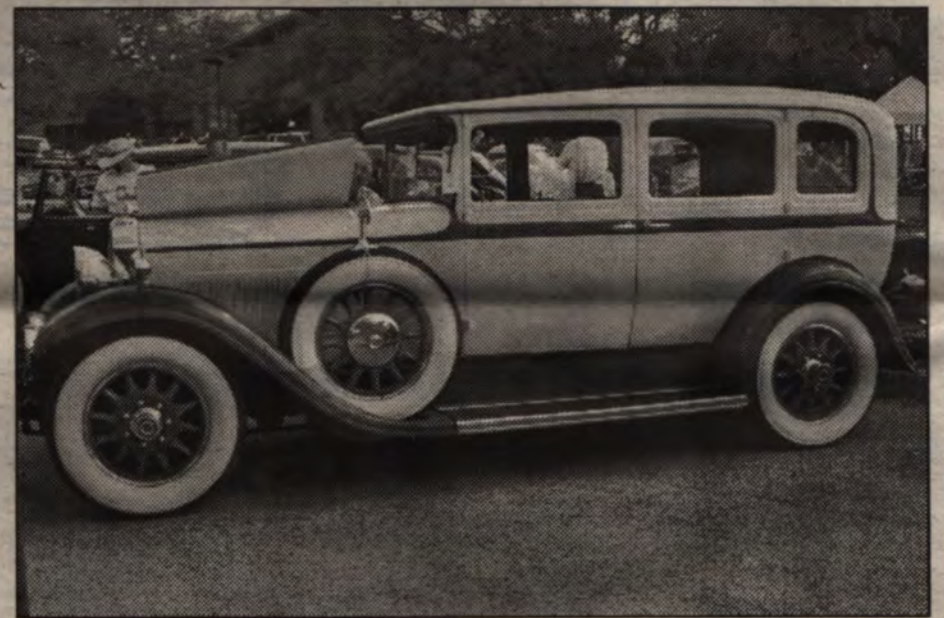
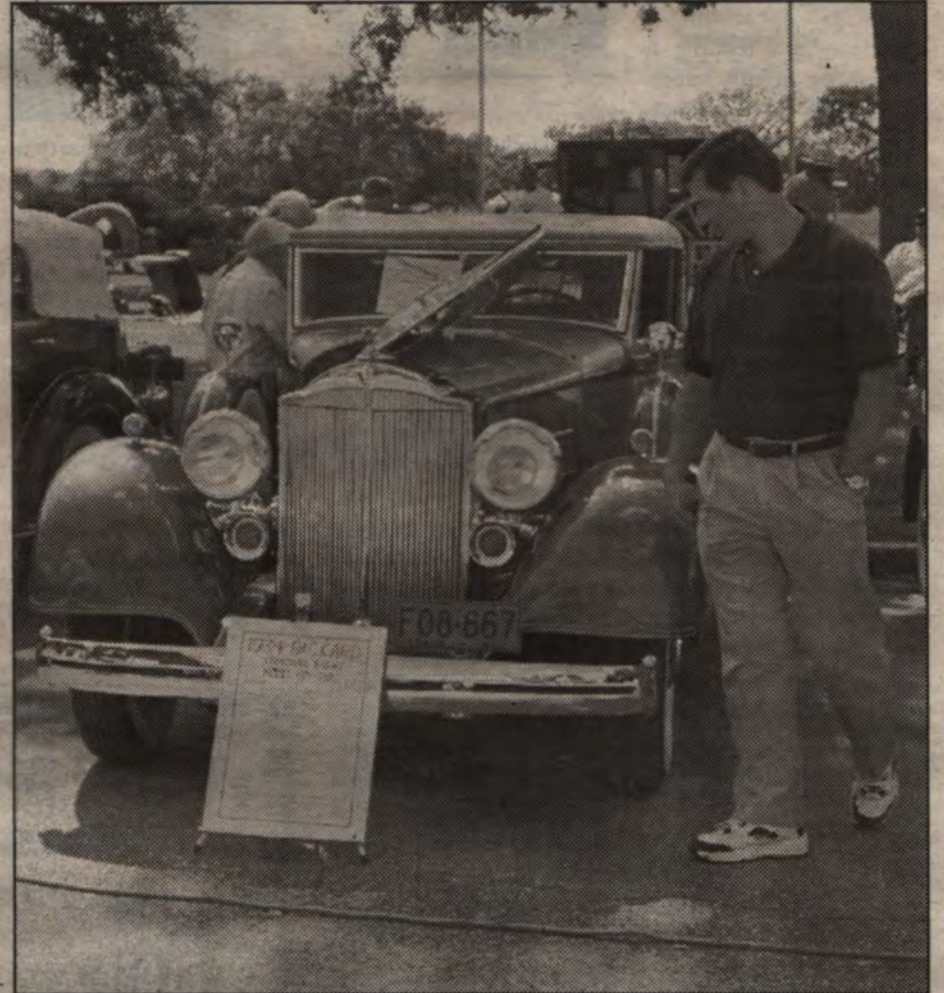
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Middle photo: Pam Dieker was one of seven artists to work at Griffith Fine Art Gallery April 3.

Bottom: SHS student Natalee Cantrell works on her Easter basket as part of a recycling unit in which students made and decorated the baskets and filled them with candies they baked in Marilyn Salisbury's Home Economics class.

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# SPORTS

## Dowell shoots low round first leg of district tourney



BY CHRIS MCGREGOR

Wes Dowell, at left, tees off at Hole 5 at Mill Creek during the first leg of the District 25AA golf tournament. Dowell shot a 79, the lowest round of the day.

Salado's team number one, composed of Dowell, Lucas Martin, Clint Permenter, Jake Mewhinney and Travis Kemp sits in second place after round one, with a score of 347. Rogers team one leads with a 345.

Salado's team two, with Michael Harvell, James Gregurek, Matt Jennings, Allen Tyson and Darron Sniggs shot a 349.

The girls team sits in first place after round one. Ashley Peschel shot a 96, Katie Harris a 119, Lacey Bartlett a 103, Nicole Weatherly a 123 and Leah Griffin a 136.

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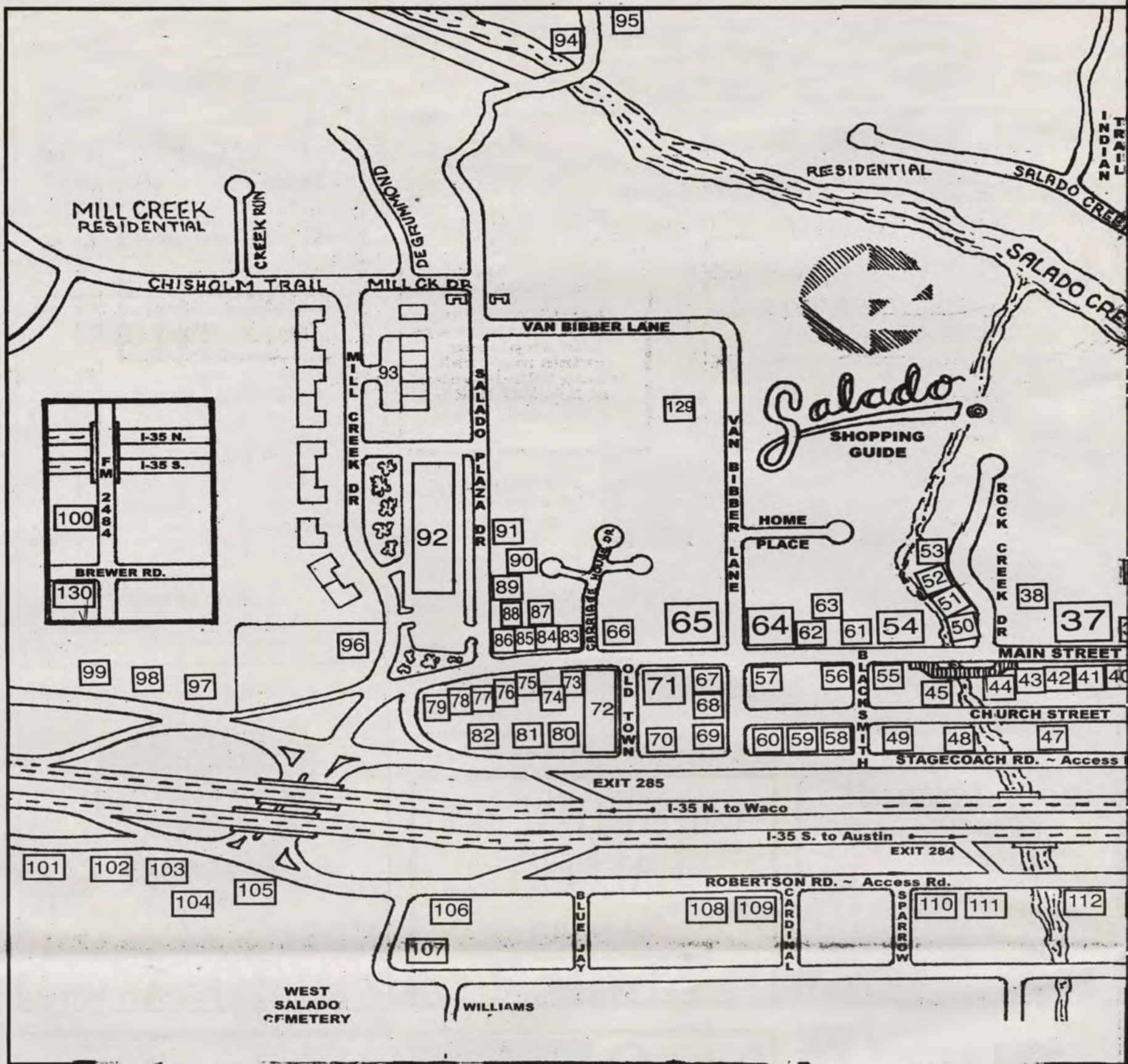
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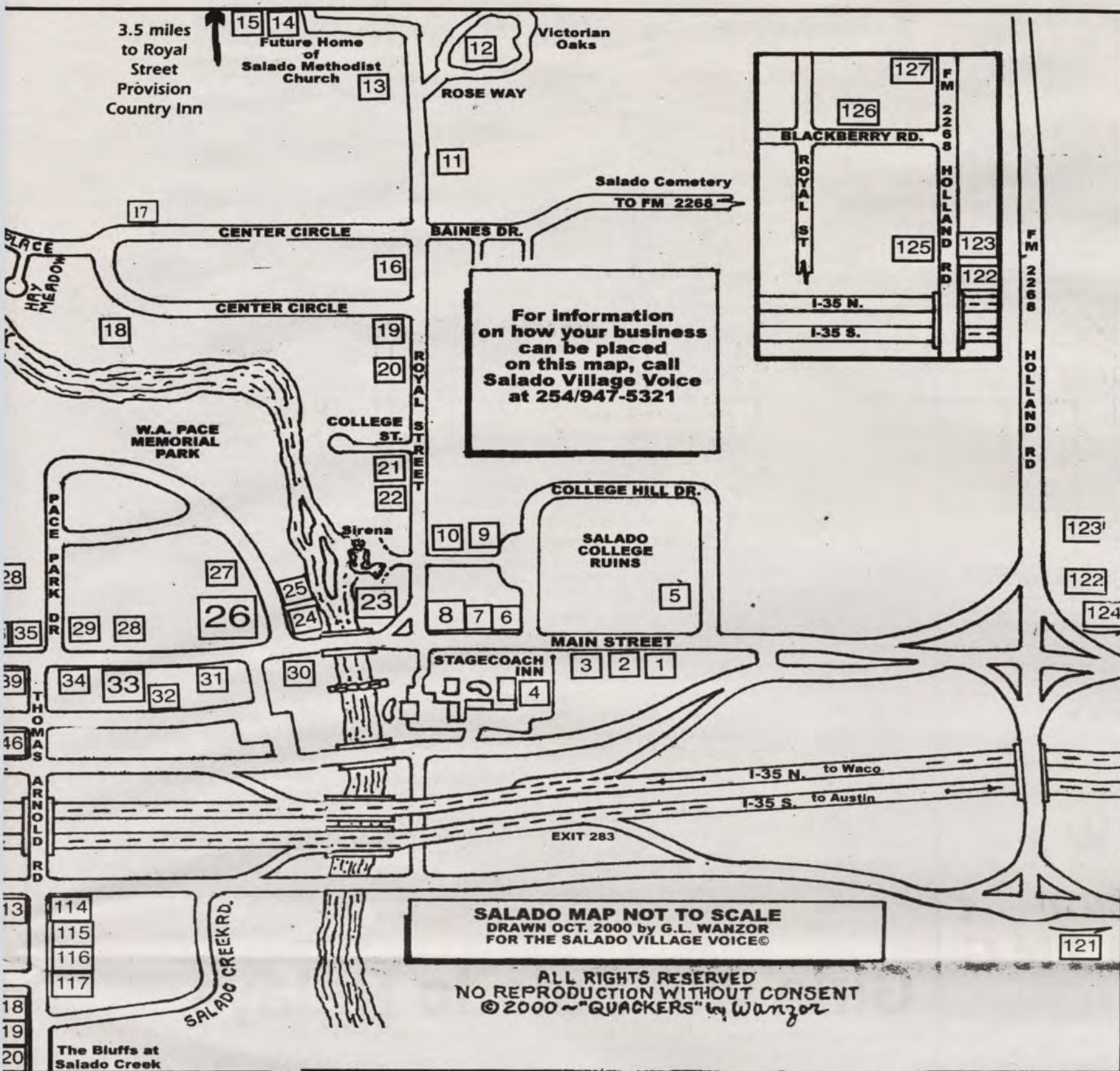






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# Everett sets Salado mile record

With the 800M Relay and 1600M Relay teams both competing in the Texas Relays, a short-handed Varsity boys track team still managed to finish third in the April 1 Salado Relays. Salado finished with 100 points, behind Jarrell's 117 and Academy's 101. Results are as follows:

Pole Vault: Brian Fetterman, second, 12'; Colby Cox, third, 11'6"; D.J. Hampton, fourth, 11'6";

High Jump: Fetterman, fourth, 5'6";

Triple Jump: Fetterman, sixth, 36'10";

Shot Put: Jacob Williams, fourth, 42'3.5";

Discus: Williams, fourth, 126'9.5";

3200M Run: Travis Clark, fourth, 11:22.51;

800M Run: Kris Stine-man, third, 2:12.73; Kris Califano, fourth, 2:13.80;

110M Hurdles: Alex Butts, sixth, 17.00;

100M Dash: Tucker Wilhite, fifth, 11.68;

800M Relay: Salado, fifth, 1:38.75;

400M Dash: Califano, second, 55.28;

300M Hurdles: Butts, second, 43.07; Fetterman, fifth, 44.39;

1600M Run: Nick Everett, first, 4:32.27 (new Salado record);

1600M Relay: Salado,



Cody Gobin tosses the discus at the April 1 Salado Relays. (PHOTO BY TIM FLEISCHER)

first, 3:36.59.

"We were all real proud of the guys that stepped up in the absence of some of our regular relay guys. They competed extremely hard and this showed, especially in our 1600M relay team winning the relay," said Coach Travis Ling.

In the invitation-only Clyde Littlefield Texas Relays, held in Austin April 2, the 800M relay team and mile relay team were both accepted to participate. The 800M team, consisting of Josh Jacobson, Matt Brown, Devon Dunn and Chance Coe ran a 1:33.76, finishing 13th out of 24 teams. The teams were from Classes 1A-3A, from all across

Texas.

Their was just .76 hundredths off of the qualifying mark for the finals.

The mile relay team, composed of Brown, Dunn, Justin Konzen and Nick Everett, ran a 3:33.68, good for 12th out of 26 teams. This time represented their best this season.

**JV Salado Meet results**

Pole Vault: Brandon Peters, second, 11';

Long Jump: Rogers, third, 17'2";

Shot Put: Cody Gobin, third, 38'7.5";

Discus: Gobin, second, 104'5"; Jared Quirk, fourth, 102'11";

3200M Run: Ryan Clark, second, 12:07.32; Moore, third, 12:29.60;

400M Relay: Salado, fifth, 48.94;

800M Run: Clayton Sharum, sixth, 2:25.70;

110M Hurdles: Blake Newman, second, 17.70;

800M Relay: Salado, fifth, 1:50.22;

400M Dash: Austin Smith, first, 56.83;

300M Hurdles: Newman, third, 45.45;

Slayt Ebling, fourth, 45.94;

200M Dash: Rogers, third, 25.17;

1600M Run: Clark, fourth, 5:33.28;

1600M Relay: Salado, first, 3:51.76.

The JV boys finished second in the meet, with 129 points. First place Rogers totaled 154 points.

# Girls win Salado Relays

The Varsity girls tracksters weren't fully staffed in the April 1 Salado Relays, but won the meet regardless. Salado had 169 points, ahead of second place Lago Vista's 125 and third place Academy's 122. Results are as follows:

Pole Vault: Johnna Konzen, first, 10'3"; Denise Jasso, second,

9'0";

High Jump: Lauren Hogwood, third, 4'10";

Long Jump: Michelle Houston, fourth, 15'0.5";

Triple Jump: Molly Rooney, third, 32'6.5"; Houston, fifth, 31'10";

Shot Put: Kate Marshall, second, 31'10.5"; Elizabeth Dunlap, third, 31'8.5";

Discus: Nicole Weatherly, fourth, 86'; Hillary Goodrum, fifth, 85'5";

3200M Run: Chelsea Ervi, first, 12:49.12; Rachel Blodgett, fifth, 14:20.73;

400M Relay: Salado, fifth, 53.99;

800M Run: Rooney, second, 2:36.53; Rebekah Quick, fourth, 2:41.18;

100M Hurdles: Hogwood, first, 17.20; Konzen, second, 17.41;

Jenny Ewton, third, 17.71;

800M Relay: Salado, fifth, 1:51.10;

400M Dash: Leigh Martin, first, 1:03.10; Brit-tani Goodnight, second, 1:04.61;

300M Hurdles: Houston, second, 52.02; Konzen, fifth, 53.61;

1600M Run: Ervi, first, 5:46.84; Blodgett, fifth, 6:22.33; Quick, sixth, 6:27.24;

1600M Relay: Salado, second, 4:30.52.

In the invitation-only Texas Relays, which bring in the elite tracksters from across the state, Brinn Newman placed fifth in the pole vault, with a mark of 10'6". The 800M relay team of Micah Malone, Valerie Clark, Staci York and Brittany Boydston ran a 1:49.96.

**JV Girls Results**

Shot Put: Mary Runyon, first, 30'1.75";

Natalee Cantrell, second, 28'2.5"; Cheli Urquiza, third, 26'9";

Discus: Cantrell, second, 79'9"; Brandi Boydston, fourth, 76'10.5"; Runyon, fifth, 69'3";

100M Hurdles: Larissan Ingalsbe, third, 19.06; Cantrell, fifth, 20.40;

Pole Vault: Ingalsbe, first, 8';

High Jump: Ingalsbe, first, 4'6";

800M Relay: Salado, fourth, 2:07.54;

300M Hurdles: Cantrell, second, 56.85.


The JV girls totaled 82 points in the meet, which put them in fourth place. Liberty Hill won the meet, with 202.5 points.

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Wes Ruth gets caught in a rundown. (PHOTO BY TIM FLEISCHER)

## Boys win on suicide squeeze

On March 30, the Eagles hosted a non-district foe in Hill Country Christian. Salado was looking to avenge last year's loss to the Knights.

Salado's defense has plagued them all year and this game was no different. The Eagles allowed four runs in the top of the first, three of which were unearned.

One bright spot on defense was the catching of Scott Bates. He threw out two would-be base stealers and picked another off base.

The Eagles clawed their way back into the game. They scored a run in the first and two more in the second inning. In the first inning Bates singled and stole second. He scored on a Ben Marsh ground out.

In the second inning, Blake Spence led off with a double. Wesley Ruth

followed with a single. Spence scored on a sacrifice off the bat of Devon Dunn. Ruth followed him home on a single by Tanner Myers.

The Knights added three runs in the top of the third. Salado scored two in the bottom half of the inning as Jesse Rodriguez and Bill Tubbs scored on errors by Hill Country Christian. The score stood at 6-5 in favor of the Knights after three innings.

Hill Country Christian added a run in the fourth and the Eagles added one in the fifth. Salado's run came on a steal of home by Jesse Rodriguez in a first and third situation.

Salado allowed the Knights another run in the top of the sixth. The Eagles came back with three runs in the bottom half to finally tie up the

game.

Shane Pipes was awarded first when he was hit by a pitch. Pipes moved up on a passed ball and scored on a single by Myers. Marsh walked and Rodriguez doubled to drive in both runs and tie the score at 9-9.

Hill Country Christian added one more run in the top of the seventh, but the Eagles were not to be outdone. Blake Spence led off with a homerun to again tie the game. Ruth followed that up with an infield single.

Pipes pushed Ruth to third with a double to left-center. Bates was intentionally walked to load the bases with one out. Tanner Myers then delivered a perfect bunt on a suicide squeeze to score Ruth and win the game.

The offensive leaders on the night were: Scott

Bates, 2-3; Blake Spence, 2-3; Jesse Rodriguez, 2-3, 2 RBI's; Wes Ruth, 2-4; and Tanner Myers, 2-4, 3 RBI's.

Derrick Thompson started on the mound for Salado. He went three innings, allowing five hits and striking out four. Brian Bates pitched the fourth, allowing one hit and striking out two.

Bill Tubbs received credit for the win. He pitched the last three innings, surrendering three hits and fanning two.

Salado's April 2 district game at Somerville was called due to rain. It was rescheduled for April 6, in a game that took place after press time. The Eagles are currently 2-3 in District 25AA.

--REPORTED BY MELVIN BATES

## Josh Shaw wins JV tennis title

The JV boys tennis team March 31 picked up the gold medal for singles in the 25AA District Tournament, held in Academy.

Sophomore Josh Shaw won the singles title, while Matt Caskey placed second and Justin Whitfield took the bronze. Whitfield, a sophomore, defeated R.J. Baker of Florence 8-2 to win third. On the doubles side, the tandem of Darron Sniggs and Brandon Hollas defeated their teammates Randy Stanley and Seth Foster 8-8, 7-4 in the tiebreak, to secure third place. All four players are first year competitors in tennis. Hollas, Stanley and Foster are all freshmen.

In more doubles action, Clayton Cook and Zac Coffman defeated Nance and Springer of Troy, 7-5, to win first place consolation.

The Salado team of Rex

and Carder was defeated by Patton and Shafer of Academy, 6-6, 7-4 in the tiebreak, in the third place match. Sophomore Britany Dixon won the bronze in girls singles. She

defeated another Salado competitor, junior Elise Sharum, 8-4 in the third place match. In previous action on the Varsity side, last year's JV girls champ in District 25AA, Jenny

Ewton, defeated Academy's Jennifer Mraz by a score of 8-5.

The Varsity tennis teams will compete in the district tournament April 8 in Somerville.

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A Holland runner is called out on the basepaths. (PHOTO BY CHRIS MCGREGOR)

## Lady Eagles thump Somerville

The Lady Eagles softballers have been on a tear as of late, moving up to third in the district standings before taking on state-ranked Class A Holland March 30. Salado ran into trouble against the Lady Hornets, but rebounded to pick up their fifth district victory April 2 against Somerville.

Salado 26  
Somerville 5

The first four Lady Eagles to come to the plate were either walked or hit by a pitch, and all four of them eventually came around to score. It was a harbinger of things to come.

Salado would send nine batters to the plate in the first inning, scoring four runs and leaving the bases loaded.

Somerville would get two runs themselves, and score three more in the

second, but that would be all for the Lady Yegua offense, as the Salado defense tightened up and kept their opponent in check the rest of the game.

Salado's half of the second started much as the first, with leadoff hitter Michelle Houston reaching on a walk. After a flyout by Kelsey Smith, Janda, Kim Dillon and Rachel Stemmer all drew walks. Heather Winters followed with a single, and Justine Ferrell-Raborn and Rachel Blodgett both drew walks. Jessica Roberts then doubled. More wild pitches brought home more runs for Salado, as the Lady Eagles would put nine across the plate. The team sent 14 batters to the plate in the second.

With the game well in hand, the Lady Eagles pulled most of the start-

ers, but continued to tack on runs. The game was called in the fourth with Salado up by 21 runs.

Disciplined at the plate, the Lady Eagles drew a jaw-dropping 27 walks on the game. The offense was led by Dillon, who was 3-4 with 1 RBI and two walks.

Houston was 1-1 with two walks, two HBP, four SB and five runs scored, while Janda was 2-4 with 3 RBI's and three BB.

Hitting out of the six-hole, Winters went 2-2 with four RBI's and one run scored.

The win gave Coach Doug Harrigan's team a season mark of 11-10-1 overall, and 5-2 in District 25AA.

Salado 3  
Holland 10

With the exception of Rachel Stemmer and Michelle Houston, who

combined for five hits, the bats of the Lady Eagles fell mostly silent against a powerful Holland club March 30.

Salado held close with the Lady Hornets the first two innings, with singles by Stemmer and Rachel Blodgett tying the game at two going into the third.

Holland pushed across two more runs in the top of the third, and two more in the fourth to go on top for good.

Shae Janda was tagged with the loss for the Lady Eagles. Salado did rack up nine hits, but, unlike the Somerville game, drew not a single walk.

Houston was 2-4 with one RBI and one SB. Stemmer was the bright spot, going 3-3. Heather Winters and Blodgett accounted for Salado two other RBI's.



The annual Smokin' Spokes Bike Ride benefitting the Salado Volunteer Fire Department was held April 3. The ride was expanded from last year, featuring several additional routes offering more scenery. Here a couple of riders take a rest break on Royal St. (PHOTO BY MARILYN FLEISCHER)



# Will wind power be significant part of our future?

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In the United States, there are now wind energy installations in almost every state west of the

Mississippi, and in many Northeastern states. California leads with more than 2,000 megawatts of installed wind energy, followed by Texas with nearly 1,300 megawatts. In total there were nearly 6,400 megawatts of wind power in the United States as of January 2004, enough to power 1.6 million U.S. homes, and up 50 percent from the installed capacity in the U.S. at the end of 2001, says AWEA.

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However, modern advances in water- and energy-efficiency in washing machines and dryers have reduced the environmental impact of diaper laundering. Concerned parents should also consider the issue of sewage. The urine and feces in disposable diapers enter landfills untreated, possibly contaminating the ground water supply. Whether cloth diaper waste is flushed down the toilet or removed in the washing machine, that dirty water will enter a sewer system and, most likely, a wastewater treatment plant.

Also, John Shiffert, executive director of the

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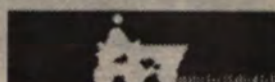
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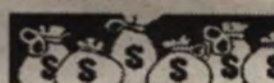
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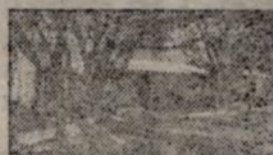
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7205 Elm Grove, Belton

Charming home in the country. Living/dining area, 3 BR/2 BA, 2 car garage. Wonderful covered front porch runs full length of home plus covered back porch. Situated on 4.59 acres. \$167,500.



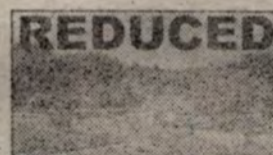
109 West Creek Dr.

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**\$199,000** - Walk into a large open living area with a vaulted ceiling that is enhanced with a wood burning rock fireplace. The kitchen in this home has custom made cabinets with an eat-in bar. A dining room opens into the kitchen and living area providing a wonderful place to entertain friends. A large master BR allows enough room for a sitting area or office. The other two bedrooms are separate from the master to allow for privacy.



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**\$185,000** - Spacious 4 BR home in Mill Creek. Backs up to bluff with beautiful trees. Great deck on back with privacy, perfect for reaxing or entertaining.



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**\$169,900** - Entertain your friends in the backyard of a beautiful lot in Mill Creek just minutes from the golf course. Large trees provide shade from the warm summer sun. This 3 BR, 2.5 BA two story home is made complete with a formal LR & DR, a family room with fireplace, & a large open kitchen.

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- \$169,900 - Two story 3 BR, 2.5 home with beautiful yard.
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- \$219,000 - 3 BR, 2.5 BA across from Salado Creek.
- \$247,500 - 4 BR home on 60 acres in Rogers.

- \$259,500 - 3 BR overlooking Salado Creek & #13 Green.
- \$259,900 - 4 BR home w/ pool & waterfall, landscaped.
- \$267,900 - 4 BR. 2-1/2 BA overlooking golf course.
- \$279,000 - 4 BR home on 5 acres with covered porch.
- \$299,900 - 3 or 4 BR home on almost 2 acres - UC
- \$324,900 - 4 BR, 3-1/2 BA home overlooking golf course.
- \$325,000 - 4 BR Home overlooking Mill Creek #4 hole.
- \$328,000 - 73.98 acres with cabin, pool & RV hookups.
- \$330,000 - 15 acres, 3 BR, 2 BA, gameroom, RV garage.
- \$338,500 - 4,000 SF home on 2 acres in Woods of Salado.
- \$389,000 - Wrap around porch, oak trees, 14.5 acres & pond.
- \$549,000 - Country living, pool, 7 acres, barn, workshop.
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- 20 to 363 acres 6 mile S. Salado, Lovely view, owner finance.
- 15.796 acres fronting FM 2268 with young trees. \$99,500.
- 5.2 acres on Salado Creek. Large oaks, good road frontage.

### Lots

#### Mill Creek Lots

- 700 Indian Trail. - \$30,000
- Fletcher Ct. - \$68,000 - UC
- O.W. Lowrey - \$70,000
- 1401 Mill Creek Dr. - \$100,000

#### Woods of Salado Lots

- Mountain Dr. - Lot 5A, 5B, 6A - \$45,000 each.
- Hodge Canyon Dr. - \$47,500

#### Other Lots

- Windy Hill Ranch - 2 acre lots - \$55,000 to \$90,000
- Jeremiah's Well - 10 acre tracts \$50,000 to \$85,000
- Heritage - 1 to 3 acre wooded homesites, near Salado. Well restricted.
- The Overlook - 1+ acre prime lots \$99,000 - \$129,000.

### Commercial Property

- \$429,000 - 5.66 acres commercial property off Main St. - UC
- \$499,500 - 7.65 acres between Belton - Salado with offices, metal buildings & mini storage.



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Charming Country Home on approximately 7 acres with 2 barns. House dates back into the late 1930's and has hardwood floors throughout the home. 4/2/2. Priced at **\$220,000.**



This Texas style home has all the features that you are looking for...large master suite, stained concrete floors, custom kitchen, and alarm & intercom system. Located on approx. 5 secluded acres. **\$335,000.**



Ready to move? This custom 3/2-1/2/2 contemporary is available for closing. Beautiful upgrades such as tile flooring, plantation shutters, butlers pantry and decorator colors. Split bedrooms with large master suite. **\$245,000.**

**SHOWCASE HOME**



Close to the village...This midsize 3/2/2 has a great open floor plan with split bedrooms. One acre lot. **\$159,900.**



There is easy access to the golf course from this 3/2/2 on corner lot. The professionally landscaped yard lends to easy care. Large kitchen opens into family room. **\$159,900.**



PRIVATE, PRIVATE, PRIVATE. Many trees surround this large 3/2 log cabin home on approximately 76 acres. **\$440,000.**



Price Reduced A message of attainment enhances this gorgeous brick Traditional style home on country setting. Space aplenty. Covered patio includes hot tub. **\$295,000.**



REDUCED!!! A large fireplace enhances the family room of this 3/2/2 located on approx. 4 acres. Many trees provide a peaceful setting. House has updated features including new cabinets and flooring. **\$207,900.**



Located facing Hole 5 Creek 2 of Mill Creek is this beautiful 3/2/2. Features include hardwood flooring and formal dining. Enjoy outdoor entertaining at the stone fireplace just off the covered patio. **\$214,000.**

**GLENN HODGE**  
254-718-2000

***Acreage***

- Lots w/ sewage & water on Shady Lane. **\$10,000/lot.**
- Appx. 1 acre ready for mobile home, water meter and septic included. **\$20,000.**
- Approx. 2 acres near golf course in Mill Creek. Beautiful trees. **\$38,995.**
- 2 acre wooded lot in Hidden Springs with a great view. Walking distance to tennis court & the park on Salado Creek. Excellent Homesite. **\$32,900.**
- 2.7 acres fronting FM 2843. **\$29,900.**
- 3.018 acres on FM 2843. Large Pecan trees & live water. **\$39,900.**
- 10+ acres in Bell Meadows off FM 1123. Unbelievable views. **\$89,000.**
- 20 acres sw of Salado on Buttermilk Creek. Heavily wooded. **\$125,000.**
- 41 acres with hill country view \$3,500 per acre.

**JERRY ROBERTS**  
254-760-6576

- 44 acres off of Firefly Road between Salado and Florence. Great Trees with typical hill country topography. Will divide.
- 51 acres Buttermilk Creek, great views, tree coverage, sw of Salado.
- Appx. 76 acres with log home. Very secluded. **\$440,000.**
- 245 acres Beautiful rolling hills with large live oak trees and a 3 acre lake. Outstanding development opportunity - **UNDER CONTRACT**
- View Aerials of all our Acreage Listings at [www.salado.net](http://www.salado.net)

***Salado Lots***

- New Listing - one of the best locations in Mill Creek. Near golf course, pool, tennis courts. Priced to sell at **\$45,000. - SOLD**
- Indian Trail at Blaylock, lg corner lot, 90x188 - **\$36,000.**
- Indian Trail - 90x188 - **\$34,000.**
- Mill Creek Lot - **\$39,900.**

**RYAN HODGE**  
254-541-2255

***Commercial***

- 3 acres commercial property fronting I-35, Phase 3. **\$89,900.**
- Excellent Commercial: Corner of West Village Rd. & IH-35 at exit 285 - **UNDER CONTRACT**
- Charming B&B Inn: One of the oldest bldgs in the Village of Salado and is listed in the Nat'l Register of Historic Places. It is a Greek Revival - **REDUCED**
- For Lease: 1742 sq. ft. commercial property close to Main St. \$700 per month.

***Belton***

- Nice 2/2 doublewide with large and formal dining. Fenced yard. **\$39,000.**
- Large lot in Belton by Lake. Gated community, many trees. **\$65,000.**
- 5+ acres fronting SH 190 and Boxer Road. Great commercial location. City water available. **\$299,000.**