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Commencement slated May 29

Salado High School will conduct Commencement Exercises for the Graduating Class of 2003 7:30 p.m. May 29 at the Bell County Expo Center in Belton.

Candidates for graduation are these:

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Despite rainy skies, Saladoans gathered at the Salado Cemetery for the annual Memorial Day service to honor the veterans buried there. Clockwise from top, a Confederate veteran's grave, Nic Classen plays Amazing Grace, Temple Honor Guard salutes veterans and Leroy Schiller plays "Taps." Note: U.G. "Coach" Smith was left off the Veterans' Roll Call last week. He served in WW II.



Stockstill to retire after 12 years at the helm

By CHRIS MCGREGOR
STAFF WRITER

Like one of those spontaneous, mythic dust storms that spring out of the featureless western expanse of this state, Rod Stockstill, a man known by many, understood by few, well-regarded by all, blew into Salado in 1991.

He arrived, not really knowing anyone, on the pretense of filling the vacant principal's position at Thomas Arnold Elementary School, which then housed Pre-K through sixth grades.

In his dozen years on the job here in town, he has established himself, through a variety of hard-work and eccentricity, as something of a fixture in the school system.

But, he says, a man needs to know when it's time to cash in the chips, and that time, for him, has come.

Stockstill will retire at the end of this school year, closing out the final chapter of a 23-year career in

school administration.

"We've educated a lot of kiddos, and I've been here long enough to see a whole class go from kindergarten to graduation, watching them grow up. But now I think it's time to let someone else take over," said Stockstill.

He came to Salado from tiny Buffalo Gap, Texas, located somewhere in the direction of Abilene. As you might imagine, he didn't exactly leave behind the high life in coming here.

"There's about as much to do in Buffalo Gap as there is in Salado, a little on the quiet side," he deadpanned.

He liked college so much that he went to school in three different places: Angelo State, UT Pan-Am, in Edinburg and finally, Abilene Christian.

Once he got here, it didn't take Stockstill long to develop a reputation for extreme behavior.

In only his second year on the job, he did what few others in his position would

do.

Stockstill liked to find ways to bring out the best in students, so, having a bit of the gambler's blood in his veins, he laid down a wager. "I challenged the students taking this standardized test, that if they scored high enough, I would spend the day on the roof," he remembers.

As it turned out, the students were up to the challenge, and their principal was up on the roof.

This would've been all well-and-good, and his time served in relatively quiet humility, but it was winter, and the caprice of Mother Nature had not been forecast. "A blue norther blew in that very morning," he says. "I tell you, it was Eskimo time up on that roof."

Local newsstations, and this paper, were on hand to record Stockstill in the sleet and sub-freezing wind. The students took pity on him, though, and voted to let him amble off the roof after half a day with the elements.



Rod Stockstill taking a seat in the amphitheater that's named in his honor. (PHOTO BY CHRIS MCGREGOR)

This is just one anecdote among many that he'll leave behind. He'll also leave behind something more tangible: an outdoor area and amphitheater which bears his name, dedicated in 2000, a testament to the respect he has in the community. The area was constructed by locals, with donated time and donated materials.

He has seen the school

and town grow. The elementary houses only Pre-K through fourth now, but has nearly as many students as Pre-K through sixth did 12 years ago.

This only means there will be more people reluctant to see him leave. "I'm really going to miss the kids and the teachers. It's like leaving a part of your family."

But Stockstill has no

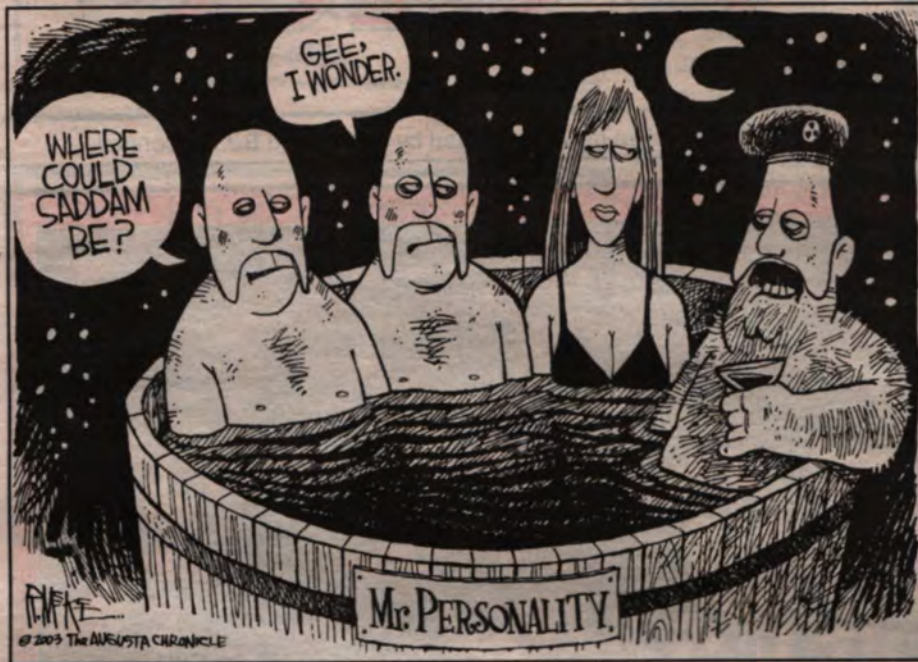
plans on packing his bags. "My wife and I love living here in Salado. We're going to stay put for a while."

The plaque affixed to the Rod Stockstill amphitheater reads "In gratitude and honor...for his dedication...for children of Thomas Arnold Elementary School."

Summed up, it's an appropriate send-off, as well.

FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



Jews Against Lieberman?

By RICH LOWRY

The candidacy of Connecticut Sen. Joe Lieberman, the first Jew to run for president, is testing the limits of American tolerance in an unexpected way. So far, the only ethnic group to exhibit reluctance about supporting him explicitly because of his Jewishness is other Jews.

In the most flabbergasting wrinkle of the early campaign season, Lieberman's fund raising has been hampered by the reluctance of some Jews to donate to a Jewish candidate. "This is so illogical," says a close Lieberman friend. "How is it possible that Jews are the biggest problem? It is hurting Lieberman financially."

The paradox is a testament to a paranoid streak in part of the Jewish community still traumatized by the Holocaust. No other segment of the population appears to hold Lieberman's Jewishness against him, and he is running strong among Southern Christians.

The hesitance of Jewish donors was discussed at a meeting of Lieberman's national finance committee recently in Washington, D.C. "There's no doubt there has been an initial concern among some Jewish givers over whether America is ready for a Jewish president," says Lieberman fund-raiser and former Rep. Mel Levine. "The irony is you don't hear that outside the Jewish community at all."

Some Catholics worried in 1960 that the candidacy of John F. Kennedy would stoke anti-Catholic bigotry. Thirty years later, in a much more tolerant America, some Jews have the same, implausible worry. Lieberman supporters say the candidate will still obviously do well raising money from Jewish donors, but it is not the sort of lock that, say, 1988 Democratic candidate Michael Dukakis had over Greek donors. "I suspect," says a Lieberman fund-raiser wryly, "there were not many Greeks who

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didn't support Dukakis because he was Greek."

Lieberman's team has been addressing the worries with numbers from campaign pollster Mark Penn showing that more than 90 percent of people say they are willing to vote for a Jewish candidate, and that Lieberman's faith helped the Democratic ticket in 2000. "It gets raised less now than before," Levine says of the worry. "Initially, it got raised a lot."

If anyone doubts the tolerance of America, they should consider Lieberman's early strength in South Carolina and Oklahoma, driven by support from black Baptists and other Christians. They care more that Lieberman is a man of faith than that he is Jewish.

This is one reason that Lieberman, the Jewish candidate from the Northeast, has something of a Southern strategy. He probably can't win in Iowa or New Hampshire, but hopes to have strong showings in the Feb. 3 primaries in places like South Carolina, Oklahoma and Arizona.

The question that an embattled Jewish community used to ask of any development in American public life was: "Yes, but is it good for the Jews?" Any Jew who doubts the answer to that question when it comes to the prospect of a Lieberman presidency is living in another century, and perhaps on another planet.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

Legislature to end stormy, mean spirited session Tuesday; Will Strayhorn OK Budget?

In less than a week the 78th Legislative Session will fold its tent and signal "sine die" to another 140 days of circus-drama that included scenes replete with tragicomedies and staged by "majority-party-actors" who played their parts according to scripting designed by their betters. History will document that these well disguised lawmakers have turned back the clock on progress in the fields of public education, health and human services, care and protection of children, the aging, the helpless, the frail, and the mentally and physically handicapped.

Also, damaging cuts to regulatory boards, highway construction and maintenance, and the overall protection of our land and water resources.

To cap this litany of failures to the State and its millions of citizens, our elected officials, from the Governor (aka Rick the Reluctant) on down to the least effective member of the 181 member legislature (many in running for that honor), have committed the unpardonable sin of turning their collective backs on the very public servants that make state government function as well as it does, by removing both financial and moral support to teachers at both the public school & college-university levels, as well as to all other state employees at every stratum of the bureaucracy - from the clerk-typist-receptionist on up - by systematically thinning ranks for no other reason than to keep from raising taxes.

Lastly, they compounded their draconian deeds by telling those who are left, that their pay will not increase for another two years and, lest we forget - to those who have completed their careers with the State - a nasty note that their retirement benefits, such as health care and prescription drug assistance, will be reduced!

GRAND FINALE PENDING

By the time this column is printed, the budget that was hammered out in Conference Committee may have been approved, and perhaps even received a majority vote in both chambers of the legislature. Now, all that remains is the required stamp of approval by the Comptroller, who will have to swallow hard to certify the two year budget, that as of today, remains out-of-balance.

If Grandma Strayhorn does in fact certify that the two year spending plan has sufficient tax dollars in sight to pay all its commitments - she will have broken one of her early promises to withhold approval, if any dollars are "stolen" from the Rainy Day Fund. She might even succumb to the "number crunching" experts, in her office (and the Legislature) who appear able to turn base metal into gold (at least on paper), by merely "fiddling" with the estimated tax revenue percentages, and thereby leave another deficit at the end of this budget period.

Or, she may "not-certify" the budget and throw the entire mess into a special session - which she should do if the numbers remain out of balance.

CORRECTION

In last week's column we were pontificating about how the Governor should have had Speaker Craddick pull the redistricting bill, and then call a special session where a quorum would not be necessary.

My mistake. Read the rules too rapidly and discovered there is a quorum requirement to take up all subjects in the House, regardless of the type session.

We remain convinced that Perry will call a special session on redistricting and with "self-centered" help from 12 minority Democrats, it will pass - despite the disgraceful maps that Pest-Controler Tommy Delay drew up to benefit the

Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



GOP CONTROLLED LEGISLATURE ENDS WITH MASSIVE CUTS IN STATE WORKERS AND SERVICES. POOR KIDS LOSE INSURANCE, BUT MILLIONS FOUND TO BUILD A BETTER COW. MANY OBSERVERS BELIEVE SESSION WILL GO DOWN AS ONE OF THE WORST IN TEXAS HISTORY.

Grand Old Party and himself.

LINCOLN LED REVOLT IN ILLINOIS HOUSE

Abe Lincoln, a member of Illinois' minority Whig Party (1840), took part in a quorum busting plan against Democrats, who were "plotting" against the Illinois State Bank. The future Republican President, thinking his cohorts had skipped out as ordered, stood up to demand a record vote to see who was (or wasn't) present. Bad luck - the Demos had rounded up enough Whigs to secure the quorum and then locked the doors of the House.

Seeing he was defeated - Abe jumped out a second story window in hopes that might affect the count, but it was too little, too late.

This ironic bit of history (provided, incidentally, by the Texas Democratic Party last week) proves that breaking a quorum is not only an excellent "last ditch" weapon for a minority party, but a good way to keep the majority from becoming too big for its britches. "Even-handedness" is what both parties should strive for - even in the heat of partisan battles.

JUST FOR FUN

Even after guffawing at the quotes printed in this column recently, some of our readers have said this writer has "way too much time on his hands." Those smart alecks may be right. Nonetheless, we will soldier on with a few more collectables saved over time - including real headlines that may have missed stories to which they were attached, but squarely hit some funny-bones:

- "Police Squad Helps Dog Bite Victim"
- "Plane too Close to Ground, Crash Probe Told"
- "Juvenile Court to Try Shooting Defendant"
- "Red Tape Holds Up New Bridge"
- "Typhoon Rips Through Cemetery; Hundreds Dead"
- "British Union Finds Dwarfs in Short Supply"
- "Local High School Dropouts Cut in Half"

And, another quote you might enjoy. Comes from a professional Las Vegas gambler who was asked about Bill Bennett's predilection to pump millions into slot machines as a relaxing "hobby" from his self-assigned, quasi-ministerial task of reminding the rest of us how to be moral and nice.

The professional gambler noted that all casino slots are designed to give the house a 35+ percent profit. As to Bennett - the gamester noted: "We have a name for guys who bet against the house in the belief they will win or break even - they're called 'losers'."

That's -30-

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Time for TIF to go

By BROOKE LESLIE ROLLINS

Growing up in the small, rural town of Glen Rose, my mom and I used to make deals. If I did my part -- keeping my room clean, helping with the dishes, taking out the trash -- once a week she would load my sisters and me in the car for a trip to Dairy Queen and a dipped cone, fulfilling her end of the deal. It taught me a lot; not the least of which was the importance of striking agreements and sticking to them.

And no matter how busy she was running a small business and taking care of three small children on her own, she always did as she promised and produced those chocolate dipped ice cream cones.

Too bad our government doesn't always work that way. We all know the stories about our federal taxes: the Spanish-American War ended a century ago, but the tax to fund it survived all the combatants - and many of their descendants.

Texas is now headed in the same direction. The Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund was created in 1995 primarily to hard-wire public schools, universities, libraries, and public hospitals to the Internet. A tax was assessed on telecommunications companies doing business in Texas to fund TIF. Some companies passed the tax directly on to consumers, others absorbed it as a cost of doing business - which of course always ends up being paid by consumers, shareholders or employees anyway.

The 1995 law required this tax to be levied until the fund received \$1.5 billion. Well, the till is almost full, and the terms of the agreement will soon be fulfilled by the telecommunications industry. And so the time has come for the tax to go away. The purpose has been achieved. The need no longer exists. A deal is a deal.

Unfortunately, the Texas Legislature is considering an extension of the tax. And they want to use it for other purposes.

One can argue about whether state government should have even done such a thing, or if the purpose was noble or problematic. The fact remains it was done. By most accounts, it was also done well. Internet connections are now abundant, and where still lacking the fund has monies to make good on the original intent.

In the real world, the tax would go away. But in

the world of politics, it is a truism that taxes never die, government just finds new ways to spend the money.

But this goes beyond extending the reach of a tax; it is a violation of both legislative trust and existing law. A commitment was made, in law, that the tax would be assessed until the certain amount had been collected. The commitment was further made, in law, that funds would be used for a particular purpose. The telecommunications industry agreed to the tax and upheld its end of the bargain.

And it will be paid, in full. The rules of the game were clearly understood.

Too bad legislators now want to change those rules. When kids change the rules of their games, we call them poor sports. When businesses change the rules on customers, we call it criminal. Not always so with government.

Let the TIF tax be seen to its legal conclusion. If legislators want a new source of revenue for a new program or initiative, then let them go back to the drawing board and begin again. However, that may not be done here, probably because it is easier to extend an old tax than to get approval for a new one.

If the TIF tax is extended, the legislature will only prove again that politicians cannot be trusted to keep their word - even when set in law.

This TIF tax debate should be a reminder to us all: if old Texas taxes won't die, we must be exceedingly careful about implementing them in the first place. Another reminder: unfortunately, when dealing with government, a deal isn't always a deal.

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FORUM



Associated health plans give small business power

By JACK FARIS

It's presidential politics time once again and already the candidates are trotting out their promises to expand health coverage.

Why is it that these folks can only talk about making health insurance available and affordable when they're running for president?

For more than a decade, small-business owners have been campaigning for the right to buy health insurance under the same rules that apply to big businesses and labor unions.

The problem is real--has been for years: More than 41 million Americans are without health insurance, according to the Census Bureau, and 60 percent of those uninsured live in small-business families.

Worse, the Congressional Budget Office said recently that as many as 59 million people are uninsured for some part of a given year. Premiums for small businesses have been rising by the double digits for the past two years. Countless numbers of small

companies have been forced to drop insurance because they can no longer afford it.

We don't have to wait until after the 2004 election to address the problem. Many small-business owners and their employees could be covered just as soon as the Congress agrees to let them band together through Association Health Plans (AHPs).

AHPs give small firms the same economies of scale enjoyed by large companies. Business associations such as the NFIB and the National Restaurant Association could offer them. The Labor Department estimates AHPs would reduce the cost of health insurance by as much as 25 percent. A study by CONSAD Research suggests that 8.5 million people could be covered by AHPs.

So, why hasn't Congress made it happen? Unfortunately, they've been listening to state officials' complaints that national AHPs will not be subject to the scores of state health care mandates--provisions

that drive up the cost of policies currently available to small firms. Health plans of large companies and labor unions, however, get off scot-free.

The fiercest opposition is coming from Blue Cross and Blue Shield. That organization is spending millions to kill the legislation, according to the *Washington Times*. In an editorial, the paper said, "Clearly, they will spend whatever it takes to protect their dominant market share."

A Government Accounting Office survey found that the five largest companies have 75 percent or more of the small group market in 19 of 34 states studied--and more than a 90 percent share of the small group market in seven of those states. In most cases Blue Cross and Blue Shield dominates and a few other companies struggle to compete.

It's no secret that as fewer insurers participate in the market, small-business owners face higher prices for insurance, and many of them simply can't afford it.

The House of Representatives has passed AHP legislation twice and will likely do so again this summer. President Bush has said he'll sign it. The Senate, which has twice failed to bring up AHP legislation, holds the key to immediate relief for entrepreneurs who need affordable health insurance.

It doesn't take patriotic bunting, a band and a presidential campaign to get this done. It takes courage and common sense.

Jack Faris is president of the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB).

Shameful greed of airline CEO's



Jim Hightower

"United We Stand," shout the red, white, and blue CEOs of America's airlines as they rush to Washington to explain that their industry needs \$3 billion in taxpayer subsidies to keep flying in these perilous economic times.

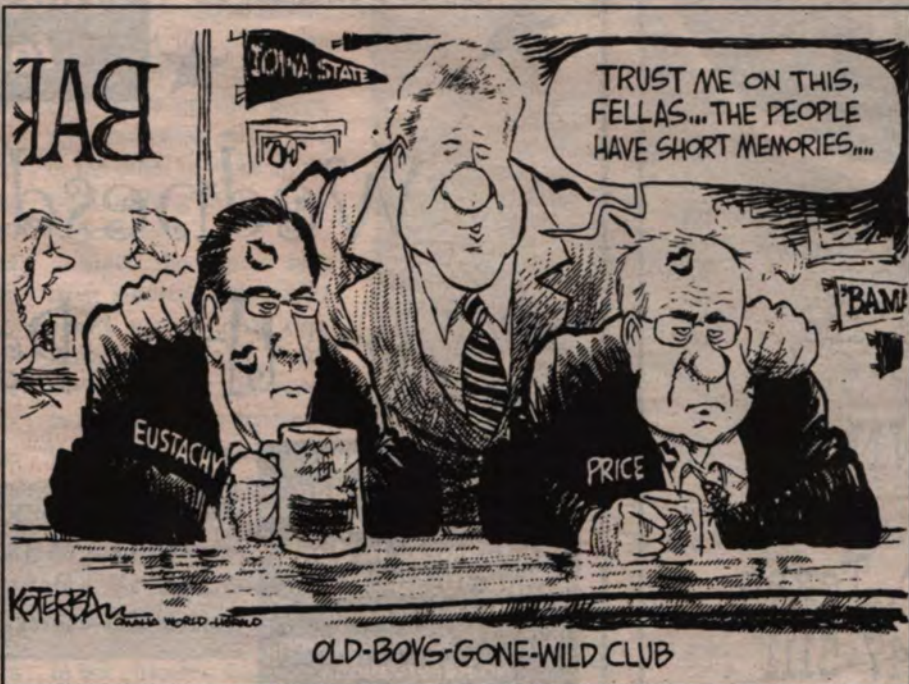
Meanwhile, back at headquarters, these same CEOs are shouting quite a different message at their employees. Instead of "United We Stand," it's "You're On Your Own," as the top dogs are firing thousands and demanding cuts of one-third to one-half in the paychecks of the employees that remain, plus making huge cuts in worker pensions.

Well, harrumph the CEOs, we're accepting cuts in our pay, too! Look at Glenn Tilton, head honcho at United Airlines. Poor Glenn took an 11 percent salary whack last year and is taking another 14 percent this year, they point out, tears welling in their eyes at the thought of Tilton's sacrifice in the common cause.

Yeah, "poor Glenn" is down to only \$712,000 in salary this year. But wait... there's more. He's also getting \$1.5 million in stock payments this year, a \$3 million "signing bonus," and a special \$4.5 million pension payment. His total haul is nearly \$10 million. Talk about your friendly skies.

Likewise, ol' Leo Mullins at Delta Airlines says he's cutting his salary to barely \$600,000 this year, as well as giving up some \$6 million in bonuses and stock payments. What a guy, huh? Before giving him the Golden Heart Award, however, let's note that he quietly is pocketing millions in corporate cash for a special pension fund he set up for himself this year - including extra payments to cover the taxes that he will owe on the special pension. Now that's putting the gold in the "golden years," isn't it?

Senator John McCain, for one, believes we should not bail out airlines until the CEO ripoffs end.



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Your Voice

Reader's Opinion

Thanks for the parade

Dear Editor:

I want to say "Thank You" to all the people who helped make a good and colorful parade on May Day.

Dr. Don Ellis for his wonderful "old" cars. Cathy, Sheryl, Margie and Sally for that long walk.

To Christie Egbert and her family (the rest of her family are in Iraq) a good reason for a parade.

When my husband was in WWII he said, "Your thoughts and dreams are all of home."

We want our troops to know home is where we want them to return and remember we are here for them.

Also a big "thanks" to the *Salado Village Voice* for good coverage.

Vickie and Jimmy for how many hundred yards of ribbon? No kidding! Beautiful bows.

And our guardian angels: policemen and firemen.

Do we have a great little town or what?

Now our Mayor Charlotte did not really do anything but sit there and look charming as usual, but she barely found time in her very busy schedule and we thank her and are so grateful for all her hard work and progress.

Now if I forgot anyone just write me nasty notes.

Teresa Tolbert
 Salado



Debbie Wigley, a sixth grade teacher at Salado Intermediate School, led her students on a field trip to Salado Creek. The students were given the opportunity to observe and learn about their local surroundings up close and personal. (Photo by Schuyler Kuykendall)

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Mewhinney and Newman chosen for All-State Teams



Lauren Mewhinney

Brinn Newman

Lauren Mewhinney, who won gold at state in both the 3200m and 1600m runs, and Brinn Newman, who won bronze in the pole vault, were both selected to the Class AA All-State track and field team.

They are two of only 15 girls selected from across the state.

The honor is the first for Newman, who is a junior. For Mewhinney, a senior, this is her third consecutive designation to the team.

Newman has been the district and regional pole vault champ for the past two years. She has finished with the bronze in state each of the past two seasons. She missed out on the gold medal by three

inches this year.

Mewhinney has won four gold medals and three silvers in her career. She was also elected to the All-State Academic Team, graduating with a GPA of 100.94.

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Jessie and Wilbur Foster celebrated their 65th Wedding Anniversary, May 14. They will take a trip to Hawaii this summer.

The couple was married May 14, 1938 in Bell County.

Wilbur owned and operated Foster's Garage in Salado and worked as a maintenance engineer for Stagecoach Inn. Jessie worked for Griggs Equipment.

The couple has resided in Bell County all of their lives.

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Noted author to be featured at Greene Festival 2003

Jane Roberts Wood, C. Greene Literature Festival author of *Grace, Dance*

a Little Longer, A Place Called Sweet Shrub, and a runaway best seller, *The Train to Estelline*, will be the featured author at this year's Judy and A.

Her newest work, *Roseborough*, received a glowing review in the *Dallas Morning News* by Joy Dickerson, published on Mother's Day, May 11: "With



Jane Roberts Wood

her fifth novel, *Roseborough*, Dallas author Jane Roberts Wood seals her status as a master of detail, a modern Virginia Woolf in whose hands the bits of everyday life prove the stuff that both hold us together and shred our hearts. As with all of Wood's works, the worst part is coming to the end."

An excerpt from *Roseborough* will be performed on June 7. The cast will include Dawn Orange, Ann Faber, and Barbara Harper. A short story which she authored, "My Mother had a Maid," will also be presented, featuring Shirley and Bill Pinkston, Joan Ward, and Brandon Jarrett.

Tickets for this and all performances may be reserved by calling 947-8300. All events of the Festival are open to the public.

Wood is a recipient of a Texas Institute of Letters Award, and fellowships from the National Endowment of the Humanities and the National Endowment for the Arts, and she is a member of TIL and PEN.

She lives with her husband in Dallas.

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Fourth graders take show on the road, to appear at Old Settlers Reunion July 6

The fourth graders of Thomas Arnold Elementary have received an invitation to "take their show on the road." The Williamson County Old Settlers Association in Round Rock has asked the children to perform their original melodrama, "The Old Chisholm Trail or Round 'em Up...Head 'em Out," at the Old Settlers Reunion on July 6.

Tablerock's Jackie Mills is polling the fourth grade families to see if enough of the cast and crew will be in town over the July 4th weekend to perform. "We need to reply to the Old Settler's request by the end of May," explained Mills.

The facilities at Williamson County Old Settlers Park in Round Rock include a stage, lights and sound. Tablerock will transport props and costumes. Parents will be responsible for getting their child to Round Rock.

Distinguished guests at the May 10 performance at Tablerock's Goodnight



Top row, l-r: Audley Miles, Ryan Burden and Braxton Tucker. Bottom row, l-r: Taylor Rudduck, Hunter Ward, Jacob Weiner, Garret Marburger and Bernie Briggs.

Amphitheater were Mayor Pro Tem of Salado, Vic Means; Janie Hedrick, Austin's State Historical Commission; noted cowboy poet, Sherrod Fielden of Meridian; and Sarah Meyers, great, great grand-

daughter of John Jacob Meyers.

Meyers, originally from Lockhart, led the first cattle drive from Texas to Abilene, KS along the Chisholm Trail.

This year's fourth grade

class has banked \$2,104.94 from the performance of their melodrama about the Old Chisholm Trail performed on May 10. The money the fourth graders made will be used for their Senior class trip.

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Softballers just miss playoffs, place eight on all-district team

The Salado Lady Eagles softball program hasn't been around for very long, but has made impressive strides since its inception in the mid 90s.

The team, coached by Doug Harrigan, missed the playoffs by just one game this season--without a single senior on the roster.

The recently released District 25AA all-district team bears witness to the improvements Salado has made. The Lady Eagles had eight players voted to the team.

Freshman Shae Janda was selected as district newcomer of the year. Janda played in all 24 games this season, pitching in 22 of them. She put together 40 hits in 70 at bats for a team-leading .571 average, including nine doubles and 20 RBIs. Getting on base so much also gave here an opportunity to steal bases: she

collected a team-high 21 thefts on the season. On the mound, Janda was 10-11 with a 2.12 ERA and 121 strike outs.

Freshman Heather Winters and junior Michelle Houston were both placed on the first team.

Winters batted .326 with 13 singles, two doubles and seven RBIs. In the field, she played behind the plate and in the outfield.

Houston was a workhorse at the plate, hitting at a .371 clip in 70 at bats, with 14 steals, eight RBIs, four doubles and two triples, while striking out only six times. She led the Lady Eagles in runs scored with 22.

Salado played the entire season with only two pitchers, when Janda wasn't on the mound, it was Houston. In seven appearances, Houston went 3-1 with two saves and a 2.00 ERA. She notched 17 K's in that short

time, as well.

On the second team, the Lady Eagles placed sophomore Rachel Blodgett and freshman second-bagger Kelsey Smith.

Another key ingredient to an offense that hit .338 as a team, Blodgett put together a .355 batting average, with three triples and seven RBIs. Smith batted only .174 on the season, but did have an impressive .435 on base percentage, leading the team with 12 base-on-balls.

Junior Kim Dillon and sophomores Jessica Roberts and Laramie Wilson were selected to the honorable mention squad.

Dillon hit .271 with 16 steals and 16 runs scored. She also collected 13 RBI on the season.

Roberts batted .294 with 22 hits, 11 RBI and eight steals, while splitting between first base and des-

ignated hitter.

Rounding out the selections, Wilson pounded out a .548 batting average, and a team-best .774 on base percentage. Wilson was slowed by an injury suffered in the middle of the district season, which limited her at-bats afterwards.

"With no graduating seniors on the team, and a strong incoming class of freshman, the future for Salado softball looks bright," said Harrigan.

"Although we fell short of our goal to grab the final playoff spot, I feel the season was a success and that a lot of good things were accomplished despite our inexperience. The amount of playing time that the underclassmen received and the leadership of our seniors-to-be should carry over into next year with a more battle-hardened team."

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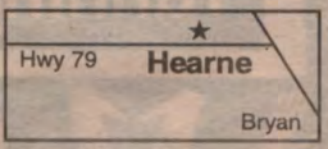
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Naomi Shihab Nye

Nye to discuss poetry of listening

Friends and family of Harry A. Wilmer III are presenting the sixth annual memorial lecture as a gift to the public at no charge on June 1 at the Salado Civic Center 3-5 p.m. The lecture features gifted poet and teacher Naomi Shihab Nye talking about "The Poetry of Listening," reading her poems for all ages, and discussing how we listen to and hear poetry.

Naomi Shihab Nye is a poetry teacher, poetry therapist, visiting writer and traveling speaker. She has been a Poet in the School for the Texas Commission on the Arts for many years and has traveled for the United States Information Agency to Pakistan, Syria, Saudi Arabia, The United Arab Emirates, Bangladesh, and India. Her book of poetry, **Hugging the Jukebox**, has been praised nationwide.

Her works are widely published in anthologies

and she has written a number of popular books for children and young adults. Ms. Nye has contributed an essay on being an American writer to a book just published by the State Department and distributed world-wide, **Writers in America - 15 Selections**. She is currently a Lannan Fellow and serves as poetry editor of the Texas Observer. She is married to the photographer Michael Nye and lives with their son in San Antonio.

Nye's books will be available at the talk. Contact the Institute for the Humanities at Salado at 254-947-5729 or email coord@vvm.com for additional information.



A gourmet dinner for eight, given by Joe and Gwen Morrison (above), will be auctioned off at the Salado United Methodist Church auction June 7. The dinner will be held at the Morrison's home on a date to be agreed upon by buyer. The SUMC silent auction will begin at 10:30 a.m. with a BBQ lunch at 11:30. The live auction will start at 1 p.m.

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Cost for the younger division is \$30. Cost for the older division is \$50. Registration forms are available at Salado Intermediate School or from Coach Hyer. Space is limited to the first 24 to register in each age group.

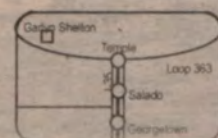
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Taylor Dale, a student in Mrs. Van Winkle's third grade class, gives it his all in the long jump, May 23 at the Thomas Arnold Elementary Field Day. He is the son of Jim and Cindy Dale. (PHOTO BY CHRIS MCGREGOR)

BRC's June schedule

The Central Texas Business Resource Center (BRC) provides high-quality business counseling, training, and assistance to potential and existing small business owners.

This non-membership, not for profit organization is supported by the Central Texas Workforce System, the Killeen Economic Development Corporation, the Greater Killeen Chamber of Commerce, and Central Texas College.

Each month the BRC offers or sponsors classes and special events for the small business community, ranging from cost-free to \$25. The BRC June 2003 class and event schedule follows.

June 3: What Your Mama Didn't Tell You About The IRS - This class will cover how the IRS looks at your business money, basic tax jargon, standard business deductions, and where to begin.

June 10: Being Your Own Boss - This course discusses the fundamentals of starting your own business and how to prepare for self-employment.

June 17: Home-Based Business Basics - This course discusses the fun-

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State unemployment dips slightly in April

Texas' seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped to 6.6 percent in April from 6.7 percent in March, according to the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC).

Education and Health Services and Leisure and Hospitality lead the way in new jobs, with gains of 5,200 and 2,200 jobs respectively. Total Non-agricultural Employment in Texas fell by a modest 900 positions in April, after a gain of 6,000 jobs in March.

"I'm pleased with the decrease in Texas' unemployment rate in April," said TWC Chair Diane Rath. "However, the overall loss of jobs in Total Nonagricultural Employment is disappointing after the large increase we saw last month."

Employment in Trade, Transportation and Utilities (TTU) fell for the second month in a row with a decline of 9,300 jobs over the month. Continued instability in the airline and other travel-related industries contributed to these losses.

"The continued loss of jobs in Trade, Transportation and Utilities is reason for concern, but I am pleased with the growth in some of our other sectors," said Commissioner for Labor T.P. O'Mahoney.

"The gains in Construction and Natural Resources and Mining are

encouraging."

Employment in Construction increased by 2,000 positions in April, topping the 1,600 new jobs created in March. Over the year, 5,700 jobs have been added in this industry, for an annual growth rate of 1.0 percent. Employment in Natural Resources and Mining grew by 1,000 jobs in April.

"I also am somewhat heartened by April's drop in unemployment," said Commissioner for Employers Ron Lehman. "Plenty of uncertainty remains,

though the fact that most of our industries experienced job growth provides some reason for guarded optimism."

Overall, seven of the Total Nonagricultural industries experienced job growth in April. Professional and Business Services added 1,500 jobs and 700 more jobs were created in Financial Activities.

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Enlarged prostate - condition found in increasing numbers in men 50 and older

By MATILDA CHARLES

Champion golfer Hale Irwin has joined with the American Foundation for Urologic Disease to help raise awareness among men about taking a proactive approach to benign prostatic hyperplasia, or enlarged prostate; a condition found in increasing numbers in men 50 and older.

"One of the most important things men have to learn," says Irwin, "is that it's all right to talk

to your doctor about prostate health, even if you have no prostate problems -- or any that you're aware of. It's especially important if prostate problems run in your family, as they do in mine."

Even if there is no familial tendency toward prostate problems, regular prostate examinations are still important, according to Dr. Samuel Spigelman, a urologist who has teamed with Irwin on the AFUD's new awareness campaign.

"We're now able in many cases to use non-surgical treatments," says Spigelman. "But key to that (treatment) is early detection."

Dr. Spigelman also points out that while prostate cancer may sometimes be found in men with enlarged prostates, there is no cause-and-effect dynamic going on.

"One does not lead to the other," he says. "But the possibility (of a cancerous condition being present) adds to

the importance of regular medical examinations."

The 58-year-old Irwin adds that while he does not have any prostate problems, "I recognize that no one can ever be certain that it won't happen to him. So I most assuredly do practice what I've been talking about during this campaign. I go for regular checkups, and I urge all men 50 and over to do the same."

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Exercising Time Management

One of the main reasons for not beginning an exercise program is lack of time -- or, should I say, a perceived lack of time. Finding the time to exercise can be easier than you think. Time management is one of the most important concepts to grasp when considering starting an exercise program. Understanding that there are many ways you can fit a workout routine into your busy schedule can help you lift the guilt and burden that can sometimes accompany your eagerness to exercise.

There are guidelines that suggest the amount of time you should exercise, but if you realistically cannot make that kind of commitment, be honest with yourself and find out how much time you actually do have. Wouldn't you

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rather have a quality, successful 30-minute workout rather than stress through an hour of a workout you are unable to effectively complete?

Let's not forget the purpose for exercising in the first place, which is to improve the quality of your health and your life. Stress, pressure, guilt and discouragement do not lend themselves to a better life, so surely we don't want to allow exercise to be the cause of those emotions.

Here are a few suggestions for finding effective ways to begin an exercise program, no matter how much or little time you

have!

- Make exercise a priority. Look at your organizer and schedule your workout as another appointment for the day. If you set aside the time among your other appointments, you can't say you have something else to do.

- Be prepared and create multiple workouts. If one day you only have 30 minutes to exercise, have a workout already prepared for that occasion. If you only have 15 minutes, create a quick interval program that could consist of jumping rope for 2 minutes, completing push-ups, abdominal/lower back exercises, lunges or squats, bicep curls and shoulder raise for 1 minute each (two times). Completing this circuit twice a day would be a 30-minute workout that works many of your muscle

groups.

- Be creative. Turn everyday activities into opportunities to exercise. While waiting for something in the microwave, complete a set or two of squats. Do a set of calf raises while waiting for the elevator -- or better yet, take the STAIRS! You will still get to your destination and will have burned some calories in the process.

It is important to mention that an extensive, balanced and consistent workout routine (in addition to proper nutrition) is the best way to reach your fitness goals. That being said, know that you can never use TIME as a reason for not getting started -- not when you manage it well!

Andrea Renee Wyatt, M.S.S., C.S.C.S., is a personal trainer with an extensive background in strength and conditioning as well as therapeutic recreation.

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The Texas Medical Association's Council on Scientific Affairs sought an answer, according to *Texas Medicine*, the association's official monthly magazine.

That answer, the council's report says, depends largely upon how long and how strenuous the activity.

The magazine's June issue cites the report spearheaded by former council chair Michael E. Speer, MD, which examines studies on the subject by researchers such as the American College of Sports Medicine, the American Academy of Pediatrics, and the University of Iowa's Department of Exercise Science, among others.

For people engaging in various levels of physical activity, liquids can perform two tasks-- prevent dehydration and assist in maintaining chemical balance in the body. If exercise is lighter, the likes of a typical "weekend warrior", the article says chugging water will do.

"For baseball or for a pick up football game, assuming you're acclimated to the heat, it really doesn't matter whether you drink water or sports drinks," Dr. Speer told

Texas Medicine. "But if you're losing a lot of sweat, say you're a marathon runner, that's a different story because then you're going to potentially lose a lot of minerals as well as water. And replacing those minerals with a sports drink is not a bad idea."

The report suggests that for cases of strenuous adult aerobic activity lasting one hour or longer, the ingredients in most major brands of sports drinks approximate the recommended percentages of carbohydrates and electrolytes the body needs to replenish. Research points to greater advantages from drinking sports drinks loaded with minerals, carbohydrates, and sodium in situations where the subject is engaging in serious exercise for an hour or longer. However, lighter or more-brief physical activity isn't deemed strenuous enough to necessitate gulping down the wild-colored, flavored liquids; water suffices in those cases. The article says both the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American College of Sports Medicine agree on that point, recommending either one or the other in those situations, as long as fluids are replenished.

Since the report says most studies find neither adults nor children typically get enough fluids during exercise, the good-taste-equals-more-consumption-factor supports the argument for sports drink consumption.

The Texas Medicine article also cites several recommendations pertaining to strenuous activity in hot climates, especially among children.

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The founding father of San Marcos tourism, A.B. Rodgers, commercialized Wonder Cave a century ago this year. Back then adventurous spectators traveled

here on horse and buggy, camped out on the grounds, and then hiked into the cave with kerosene lamps. Rodgers's son Paul, owned the park until his death in 1957. T.J. Mostyn ran the park until his death in 1967. It is still operated by the Mostyn family, owned by T.J.'s son Buddy, and his wife Karen. They have added and created other attractions now known as Wonder World Park.

Today, the aftermath of the earthquake's destructive forces is evident in the walking tour of the cave. Huge boulders remain suspended where they were tossed and fossils tell of prehistoric life. The twists and turns descend deep into

the Earth's crust toward the Edwards Aquifer, an essential water source for the Hill Country.

Visitors can ride the elevator from the bottom of the cave up to the Tejas Observation Tower, 110 feet above the dropping-off point of the Balcones Fault Line. The panoramic views clearly show the earthquake's shifted surface.

"What is nice about the fault line views, is you can see the difference where one ends and the other begins," says June Dowling, a San Marcos author visiting with her granddaughter. "It is a prominent geological site that can be found in Texas," says Buddy Mostyn.

Unlike other Texas caverns formed by water, this cave is the result of an earthquake that created a major crack in the Earth's surface and is evident throughout Central Texas. Astronauts can even see it from space.

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Fuller is a seasoned performer, songwriter and actor, performing regularly at community theater productions, schools, regional oprys, festivals, art fairs, private parties, tractor shows and retirement/nursing centers.

In 1998, he recorded his debut album entitled "Cowboy Campfire Songs" and is currently working on his second album.

He is listed in the Arts in Schools Directory for the Temple CAC and in the registry of the Governor's Texas Music Office. He is also an active member of ASCAP (American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers). He also has acted over the years in numerous stage productions at the Temple Civic Theater, including "1776," and productions at the Tablerock Goodnight Amphitheater.

Two years ago, Fuller developed a one-man historical presentation that he takes to schools all over the state. The presentation, entitled "The History of the Texas Cowboy 1850-1900," is an interactive/

instructional, as well as entertaining, story about the Texas cowboy from post-Civil War through the early 1900's.

Dressed in period costume, he uses props, his rich baritone voice and his guitar to weave the stories, songs and poems relating the times and life of the cowboy. He covers such social studies topics as daily life and perspective of the cowboy, the role of the longhorn cattle, cowboy equipment, cattle trails, Texas Rangers, etc.

Last year Fuller began producing a monthly musical show, "The Bell County Jamboree," which is held at the Salado Intermediate School.

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Regular Meetings

Mondays

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

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

Salado Public Library: Summer reading program for Pre-K through fifth grade, 11 a.m.-noon during July. Call 947-9191.

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. of every month, 7 p.m. at the Intermediate School.

Exercise Class: June 9-Aug. 11, 8:30-9:30 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.

Tuesdays

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

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

Salado FFA Meeting: First Tuesday at 7 p.m. at SHS ag shop.

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.

Chisholm Trail Chapter ABWA: 2nd Tues. 6:30 p.m. at Stagecoach Inn.

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

Salado Community Chorus: 5 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

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

Wednesdays

Salado Business Association: 1st Wednesday, 8:45 a.m. Salado Civic Center

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

Salado Youth Base-

ball Association: meetings 7 p.m. at Civic Center.

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., 6 p.m., at Civic Center.

Moms Club walking at the High School track, 8:45 a.m. Every fourth Wednesday, monthly meeting 10:30 a.m. at SUMC. Call 947-5507.

Thursdays

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

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.

What's happening here?

MAY 28-29

School out at noon.

MAY 30

Last day of school

JUNE 1

6th Annual Harry Wilmer Memorial free public lecture, The Poetry of Listening, by poet and teacher Naomi Shihab Nye 4-6 p.m. at the Civic Center. Presented by the Institute for the Humanities. Call 947-5729.

JUNE 2

Salado Democrats meeting 6:30 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

JUNE 2

Monday Club meeting, 2 p.m. at SUMC. Program: "The Art of High Tea" presented by Jane Voight of the Ambrosia Tearoom.

JUNE 4-7

5th Annual Judy & A.C. Greene Literary Festival featuring Fran Vick and an original show by Jane Roberts Wood. See www.lrtsalado.com for more information.

JUNE 7

The Living Room Theatre of Salado Fiction Writing Workshop, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Place to be determined.

JUNE 10

Mill Creek Community Association Spring Fling Mixer at Creekside Restaurant. Happy hour 6-7 p.m., dinner 7 p.m. Call 947-3901 for info.

JUNE 13

The Range hosts a wine tasting, featuring Cap Rock

Winery, 6-9 p.m. Call 947-3828 or e-mail to therange3828@earthlink.net.

JUNE 14

Salado Humane Society yard sale, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at the north corner of Pace Park and Main Street.

JUNE 19

Salado Area Republican Women meeting 11:30 a.m. at Mill Creek Country Club. Program: Kay Matthews speaking on literacy. Call 947-8422 for info.

JUNE 21

Bell County Jamboree event, for specifics call 254-939-8560, or visit www.allcentex.com/jamboree.

JUNE 21-22

A Midsummer Night's Dream Auditions 2:30 p.m. at Tablerock's backstage room.

JUNE 26

Salado author John C. Perry lecturing on his book, "Myths and Realities of American Slavery," 7 p.m. at the Salado Public Library. Call 947-9191 for info.

JULY 19

Bell County Jamboree event, for specifics call 254-939-8560, or visit www.allcentex.com/jamboree.

JULY 19, 26, AUG. 2

Salado Legends at Tablerock Amphitheater. Dinner at 7:15 p.m., \$8 adult or child. Theater at 8:15 p.m., \$15 adult and \$5 child.

AUGUST 2

Book Fair at Stagecoach Convention Center 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. For more information call 254-947-0456 or visit www.saladopress.com.

AUGUST 2-3

37th Annual Salado Art Fair.

AUGUST 16

Bell County Jamboree event, for specifics call 254-939-8560, or visit www.allcentex.com/jamboree.

SEPTEMBER 11

Central Texas Poetry Prose Reading 7 p.m. - Readings, 9 p.m. - Open mic.

SEPTEMBER 13-14

Fright Trail Auditions 3 p.m. at Tablerock's backstage room.

SEPTEMBER 20

Bell County Jamboree event, for specifics call 254-939-8560, or visit www.allcentex.com/jamboree.

SEPTEMBER 20-21

Fantasy Faire & Shakespeare Festival \$5 adults, \$3 children

SEPT. 20, 21, 27, 28

A Midsummer Night's Dream 8:15 p.m., \$10 adults, \$5 children.

OCTOBER 2

6th Annual Storytelling Festival 1st through 4th grade, \$1 per person. 10 a.m.

OCTOBER 4-5

Christmas Carol Auditions 2 p.m.

OCTOBER 10-11

Christmas in October. Free admission, Salado Civic Center. Call 947-5040 for information.

OCTOBER 18

Chisholm Trail ABWA Style Show Stagecoach Inn 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Call 947-3617.

OCT. 25, 31, Nov. 1

Fright Trail Nights at Tablerock 7-11 p.m., \$5 adults, \$3 children under 12.

NOVEMBER 22

Empty Bowl Project benefiting Salado Family Relief Fund, 1-6 p.m. at SIS auditorium. Call 947-5321 for info.

DECEMBER 2

Mill Creek Community Association annual Christmas Party at Creekside Restaurant. Happy hour, 6-7 p.m., dinner 7 p.m. Call 947-3901 for info.

DECEMBER 4

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ACC Global Technologies opens in Salado

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The office will service the Bell, Williamson, Travis and surrounding counties with network system design, installation and support, PC sales and service, software installation, web hosting, web design and all related business services.

"ACC Global Technologies is a customer-service oriented information technology and business service vendor which was built on the assumption that the management of information technology for business is like legal advice, accounting, graphic arts and other bodies of knowledge, in that it is not inherently a do-it-yourself project. Smart business

people who aren't computer hobbyists need to find quality vendors or reliable hardware, software, service and support, and we pride ourselves in being that quality vendor," said owner, John M. Humphries, Jr.

Since 1995, ACC Global Technologies has serviced its clients in the Dallas-Ft. Worth for all their computer-related needs.

"We make sure that our clients have what they need to run their business as well as possible, with maximum efficiency and reliability. Many of our customers' information applications are mission critical, so we give our clients the assurance that we will be there when they need us," Humphries continued. "Unlike the chain retail stores, ACC Global Technologies goes to the customer."

"Many large companies are laying off and cutting

back staff, yet they still need to have the work done. As a result, they are choosing to contract out whole job functions that were once done by in-house staff. They are 'outsourcing,' that is, hiring outside consultants and small business people like ACC Global Technologies for everything from marketing and billing to information technology purchasing, installation and support."

In 1997, Linda Lopez, proprietor of Bo's Barn Dancehall and Club, who was living in Arlington at the time, joined forces with Humphries as Marketing Manager and provider of the business services functions of ACC Global Technologies.

"Technology in itself is essential in any successful business venture today, but without properly trained staff and the time to do it, it is no good," said Lopez.

"The typical small business does not have the time or may not have the experience of handling the daily operating functions of their business. They are good at the service they provide or the product they make, but they may not know anything about, or have the time to handle the accounting, billing, marketing, etc. At ACC Global Technologies, we are able to offer these services on an 'outsourced' basis, which gives the small business owner the advantage of having these functions performed by a professional on a per job basis and reduces their overhead by not having the payroll and overhead expense of an employee," she said.

For more information on ACC Global Technologies, Inc., and the services it provides, contact Humphries or Lopez at 254-947-8113, or visit their website at www.accglobaltech.com.

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MCCA Spring Fling Membership Mixer June 10

The Mill Creek Community Association Social Committee has been busy planning the MCCA Spring Fling Membership Mixer, to be held June 10.

Plans include a cash bar, available 6-7 p.m., followed by dinner at the Mill Creek Country Club Inn.

The dinner is \$12.95 per person, which includes gratuity and tax. Cost per couple is \$26.90.

Deadline for reservations by check is May 31. Checks may be mailed to MCCA/P.O. Box 562/Salado, TX 76571. The check will serve as the res-

ervation. Capacity is 130 people.

"President Gil Wanzor and officers of the MCCA are looking forward to welcoming and introducing new members to our community, to our tried-and-true members," said publicity chair, Bobbie Rei-

hsen. Music for the evening will be provided by Valerie Pitrucha, area pianist and vocalist.

Membership dues of \$20 per family may be mailed to the aforementioned address.

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Tablerock Festival to hold auditions

Tablerock Festival of Salado has announced that open auditions for William Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream will be held 2:30 p.m. June 21-22. in Tablerock's backstage room.

There are approximately 21 roles to be filled, and all parts are to be cast based on these auditions. Come with a prepared Shakespearean monologue of at least 15 lines, and be ready to do cold readings from the play.

"A Midsummer Night's Dream" will be performed on the main stage at the Goodnight Amphitheater on Sept. 20-21 and Sept. 27-28. The performances on Sept. 20-21 will be in conjunction with the Second Annual Fantasy Faire. All performances will take place at 8:15 p.m., with ticket prices of \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under eight.

The play is to be directed by David Dunlap, of Salado, who hopes to

make Shakespeare an annual and permanent part of the Tablerock season.

For additional information on auditions,

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Families In Crisis, Inc. to hold sexual assault training

Families In Crisis, Inc. will hold training for Sexual Assault Volunteer Advocates 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. June 21 and June 28.

A Sexual Assault Volunteer Advocate is a volunteer position within Families In Crisis, Inc. that offers support and information to survivors of sexual assault and their families. Volunteers provide voluntary on-call services by responding in person to local hospitals to accompany survivors through medical procedures to collect evidence.

Participants must complete a volunteer application prior to attending classes and must attend both classes prior to volunteering. To sign up, and for information on times, dates and locations, contact Angela Regan, Volunteer Coordinator, at (254) 634-1184 or (254) 773-7765.

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The camp will be divided into half-days with

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The camp cost is \$50 per player with a discount for multiple players from one family.

You may sign up your student early by contacting Coach Tom Long at 947-0803. Registration will also be held the morning of June 2 prior to the camp start at 9 a.m.

The gym will open at

8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. prior to the beginning of the camps to allow players the chance to warm up.

Campers will compete against each other in individual skills contests, including three point shooting, free throw shooting, dribble tag/ball handling, spot shooting, on-the-spot defense and knockout.

Campers are invited to a cookout the last day of camp June 6, 12 noon-1 p.m.

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California gold rush country

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I wanted to find out something about the Gold Rush days in California, so I went to Placerville, thinking that was where it all started. Well, I was wrong. Placerville is a nice place with a super motel, but it is not where gold was discovered in 1848. That happened at Sutter's Mill which is in Coloma. And the man who discovered the gold was not John Sutter, but James Marshall.

I couldn't remember ever hearing of James Marshall, but my photographer friend Bill Murchison, who lives in Reno, Nevada, and was showing me around the mining areas, assured me that he had indeed heard of the man. (Back home I asked numerous Texans if they had heard of James Mar-

shall and they all said no.)

It seems to me that such a man of prominence historically should be better remembered, even as far away as Texas. There's a tall monument to him in the state park where Sutter's Mill is located. A statue of Marshall shows him pointing to the place where he discovered gold.

People came to California from all over the world to try to find gold.

Mashall was the man of the hour. People followed him around, thinking he had magical powers. Now that puts a certain strain on an individual and Marshall was so stressed out by all the crowds following him all the time he became a recluse and died broke.

I mentioned that great motel in Placerville. It's

a Best Western. Beautiful landscaping. I forgot my shaving kit when I packed and I asked the man at the desk when I checked in if he had a razor and comb.

He gave me a razor, some shaving cream, a comb, a toothbrush, some toothpaste and a small bottle of Scope. My Buddy Bill found a map of the area and asked if it was free (even though it had a price of \$3.95 on it). The man said it was free.

The next morning when we checked out there was a sign offering ten percent off on breakfast at the restaurant across the parking lot. I asked for a couple of coupons. When we got to the restaurant, the coupons were good for a full free breakfast. I told you it was a great place.

The California Gold Country is north and east of Sacramento. It stretches along Highway 49 from Nevada City south to Jamestown, passing through the historic cities of Auburn, Coloma,

Placerville, Sutter Creek, Jackson, Angels Camp and Sonora.

After the gold country, we headed over Donner Pass in the Sierra Nevadas where we encountered snow. This was in early May. Signs urging motorists to use tire chains or four wheel drive vehicles were everywhere. The winter scenery was beautiful. The temperature was in the 30's and 40's all the time we were touring the area. We had hot chocolate a lot. We went to the Nevada towns of Virginia City, Gold Hill and Silver City which haven't changed much since the gold rush days. The area reminded me of Terlingua.

At Gold Hill we met an expatriate Texan named Bill Fain. He has a Ph.D. in Physics and worked for a think tank for awhile, then went into industry. He now owns a hotel and writes melodramas which are staged in the hotel lobby.

The following recipe was taken from the cookbook "Salado Country Cooking." It was sponsored by the members and friends of the Monday Club from the Salado United Methodist Church.

Plum Cake

Audrey George

2 c. self-rising flour

2 c. sugar

1 c. Crisco oil

1 lg. can purple plums, drained & chopped

1/4 tsp. salt

3 eggs

Grated orange rind (save part for icing)

1 tsp. vanilla

1 tsp. cinnamon

1 tsp. cloves

1 c. nuts

Powered sugar for icing

Sift dry ingredients; combine other ingredients and fold in last. Pour into large bundt pan and bake at 350 degrees for 45 min. *Icing:* Combine juice of one orange, remainder of grated rind and powered sugar enough to make creamy consistency. Pour over cake

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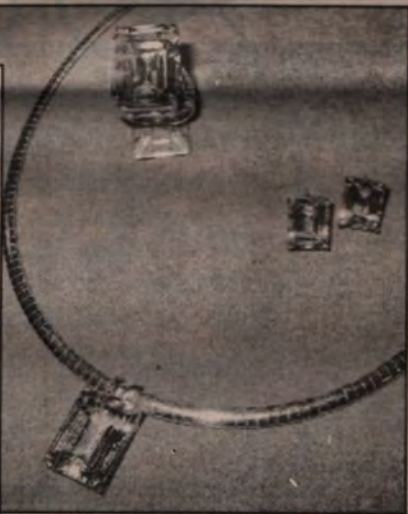
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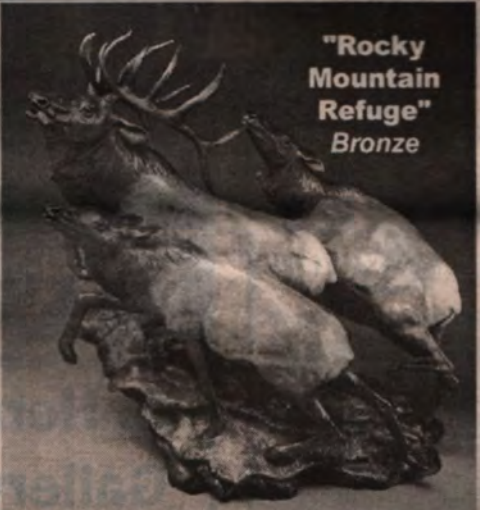
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Patterson to compete in national dance competitions

Saladoan Kaycee Patterson recently qualified for two National Dance Competitions, that she will compete in this summer.

She will travel to Arlington in June for the Starlight National Dance Competition, and in July she will travel to Las Vegas, NV for the Encore National Dance Off Competition.

While in Las Vegas, she will attend Encore's Master Classes, which are taught by some of the best choreographers from New York and Los Angeles. They will rehearse a professionally choreographed production number and perform it at the Encore National Show.

Patterson is a member of the "Mini 1" Competition Dance Team at Dance Xtreme in Killeen, where she is completing her sixth year of dance.

Her dance team consists of seven girls that range in age from eight to 10 with a

combined total of 40 years dance experience.

In qualifying for Nationals at the Encore Regional Competition, they received high gold for their jazz routine, and platinum for their tap routine.

At Starlight Regionals, they received gold for both jazz and tap. In addition to the team dances, Kaycee qualified with her solo, performed to the song, "Woman," with a high gold at Encore's Regional Competition in Dallas.

While Patterson has only competed in jazz and tap, she continues to train in other styles of dance including lyrical, hip hop and ballet.

She has just completed third grade at Thomas Arnold Elementary School. She is the daughter of Kaye and Ernie Patterson.



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Vick is retired director and co-founder of the University of North Texas Press. She is currently a publishing consultant. She holds B.A. and M.A. degrees in English from the University of Texas at Austin and Stephen F. Austin State University, respectively, and a Doctor of Humane Letters (honoris causa) from the University of North Texas. She taught English at Baylor University and at Stephen F. Austin State University, among other institutions, and she has published 190 books in the 20 years she has been publishing.

North Texas Press, founded in 1987, under her leadership, published topics ranging from folklore, history, military history, literary criticism, science, and biography, to poetry, short stories, novels and creative non-fiction. She has written various introductions and chapters for books and various other publications such as *The Alcalde*, *The Dallas Morning News* and *The Proceedings of the Texas Philosophical Society*.

Vick is a member of the board of the Texas Council for the Humanities, Councilor in the Texas Institute of Letters and the Texas Folklore Society; the Book Award Chair in The Philosophical Society of Texas; and she is a member of the advisory council of the Fort Worth Library Foundation, the LibraryFest, the Texas State Historical Association, the East Texas Historical Association, and the Leadership Texas Alumni Association.



Naylor received certificate of appreciation from Lions Club

James "Jim" Naylor of the Salado Lions Club, received the Lions Club International Certificate of Appreciation Award presented by District 2-X3 Governor Gerry Suttle.

This prestigious award was given to Naylor in recognition of meritorious service to Lionism and more than 50 years of "Perfect Attendance," 37 years of

this was in weekly club meetings.

Throughout his career in Lionism, Naylor has been involved in many aspects of leadership, including serving on the Board of Directors of the Texas Lions Camp for Disabled and Diabetic children in Kerrville, and President of the Salado Lions Club in 1992-93.

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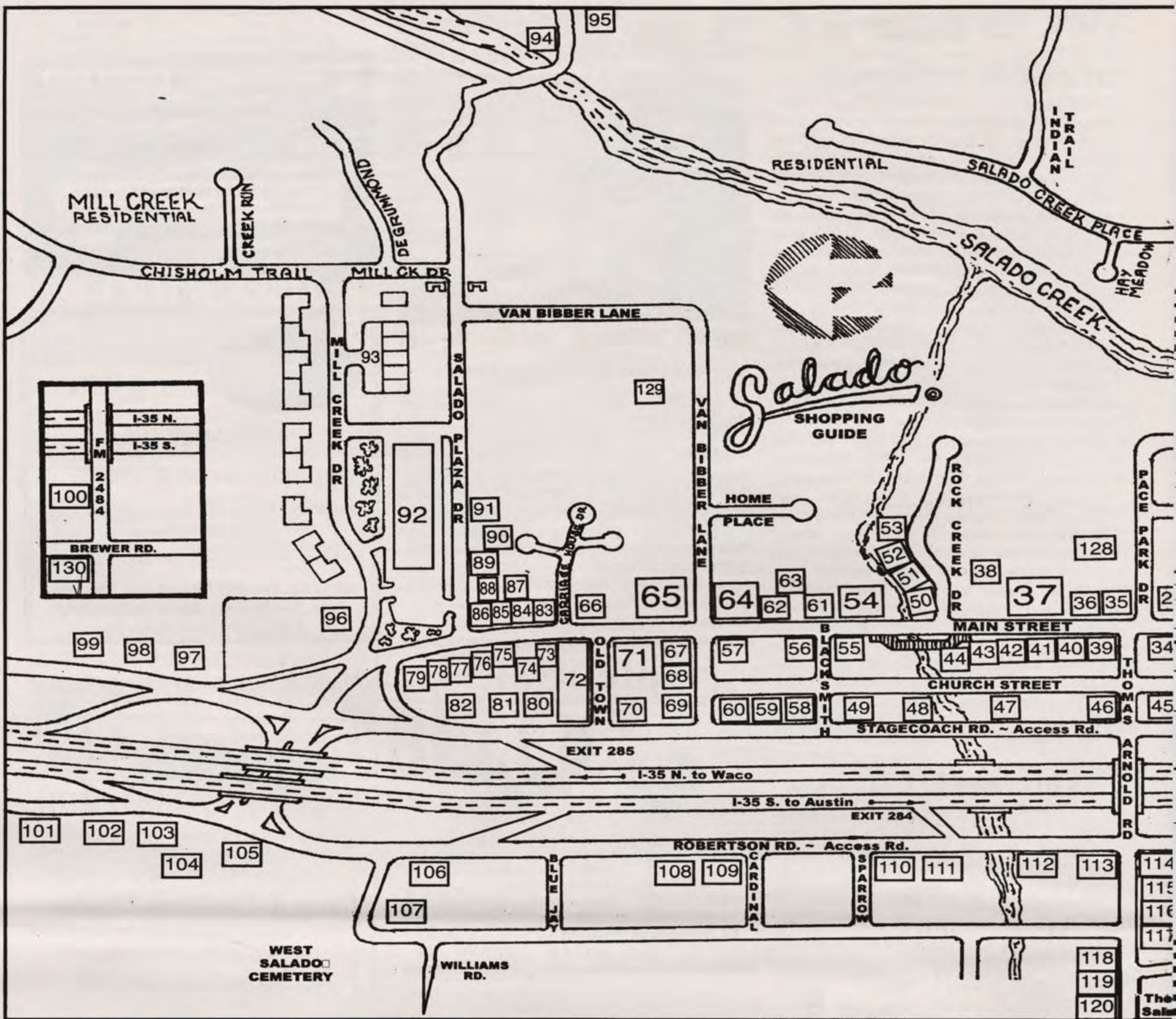

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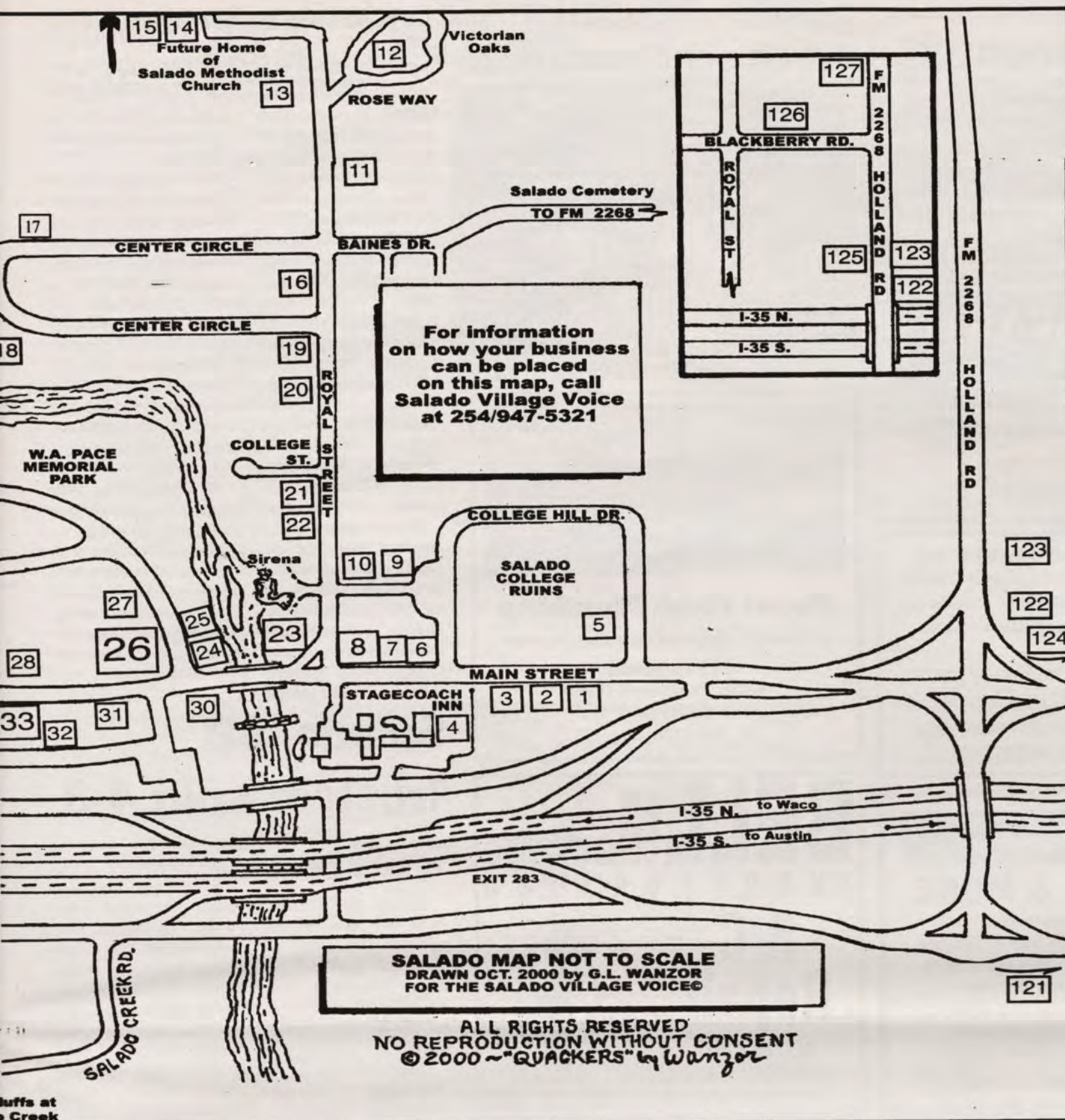
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Salado Education Foundation presented seven scholarships to Salado high seniors



Isaac Berumen accepts his scholarship from the SEF.

The Salado Education Foundation presented seven Salado High School Seniors with scholarships for 2003.

Five \$2,000 scholarships were awarded. They were Romelia Urquiza, Tiffany Young, Chelsea Norman, David Faber and Isaac Berumen. One \$1,000 technical training scholarship was awarded to Shiela Arnold. The \$500 Don Mackie Scholarship, created by Sara Mackie in honor of her husband's memory and chosen by the Salado Education Foundation, was awarded to Megan Joiner.

An agreement between Temple College and the Salado Education Foundation allows recipients of the SEF scholarships to receive matching scholarships from Temple College. Many students choose to attend a college

close to home for the first two years of studies. Double scholarships are an added inducement.

In 1999, the Salado Education Foundation was formed by 17 local citizens to help students from Salado schools continue their education, thus building a partnership between the community and the school system. The SEF Mission is to improve the quality of life in Salado by providing support to deserving students who wish to pursue a college education or technical training.

The SEF started with awarding \$10,000 each year while also creating an endowment with the ultimate goal of giving scholarships to every graduate. SEF also provides teaching grants to Salado ISD teachers to improve classroom instruction.

Salado ISD Trustees split 4-3

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

cate for the 2003-04 school year.

Salado ISD Trustees split 4-3 May 19 on approving the title of Assistant Principal for Larry Moorhead, who served this school year as Administrative Assistant.

Superintendent Robin Battershell recommended the change in job title for Moorhead because he has enrolled in the New Century Educational Leadership Program, which will give him a probationary administrator's certifi-

After an executive session, the board voted on the title change with Jackie Burson, Frank Carlson and Jeff Kelley voting against.

The board also voted to hire the following teachers: Brandon Greenhaw, Jill Baumgart and Cheryl Taylor. Carlson voted against the motion.

In other business, trustees postponed a decision on increase the amount for coaching stipends by \$3,950 for the 2003-04 school year. The board will consider the recommendation when it begins work on the budget in June.

Trustees also approved up to \$2,000 of bond money to be spent on landscaping around the new ticket booth and water tower at the south end of the football field.

The board also authorized the removal of the chiller at the high school and the disposal of two school buses.

Trustees amended the budget with \$10,025 in additional revenues and \$58,432 in added expenses, chiefly \$48,407 for telephone equipment approved at the last meeting.

The board renewed the transfer policy for the 2003-04 school year.

After swearing in Miriam Ervi and Jeff Kelley, trustees re-elected Ervi as president of the board. Trey Little was elected as vice president of the board and Jackie Burson as secretary.

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Dr. Raymond Carver and daughter, Libba Skarnulis perform a trio of excerpts from the Living Room Theatre productions for the Rotary Club of Salado at their May 20 meeting. One of the pieces chosen to present was "The Ranges Raid on Happy Bottom, Texas" by the late A.C. Greene, formerly of Salado.

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Salado seniors awarded scholarship from Rotary Club

Marissa Ann Mohammed and Tabitha Ashley Lawson, seniors at Salado High School were each awarded a \$1,000 scholarship from the Rotary Club of Salado, May 20.

Mohammed is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nazim Ayoub Mohammed. She plans on attending the University of Texas at Austin.

She is ranked ninth out of her graduating class with a 3.9 GPA and is an anticipated Honor graduate.

Mohammed is vice-president of the Salado High School Band, member of the Art Club, Drama Club, reporter for the National Honor Society, UIL Spelling Team and member of Fellowship of Christian Students.

Her awards include Outstanding Woodwind Award- SHS Band, and State Meet Award for UIL Spelling Team.

Tabitha Ashley Lawson is ranked fourth in her graduating class with a

GPA of 99.8 and plans on attending the University of Texas at Austin with a major in bio-medical science (pre-dental).

She is a member of the tennis team, National Honor Society, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Fellowship of Christian Students, and Spanish Club.

Lawson was a waitress at Browning's Courtyard Cafe for two and a half years. She also participated as a marathon walker for the National Honor Society.

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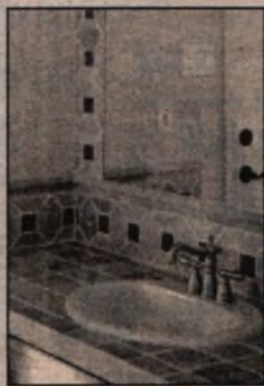
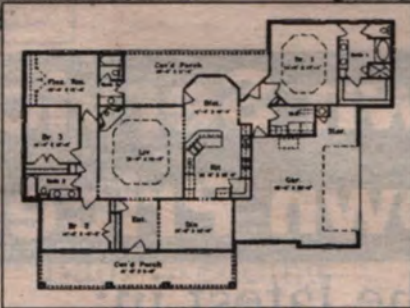
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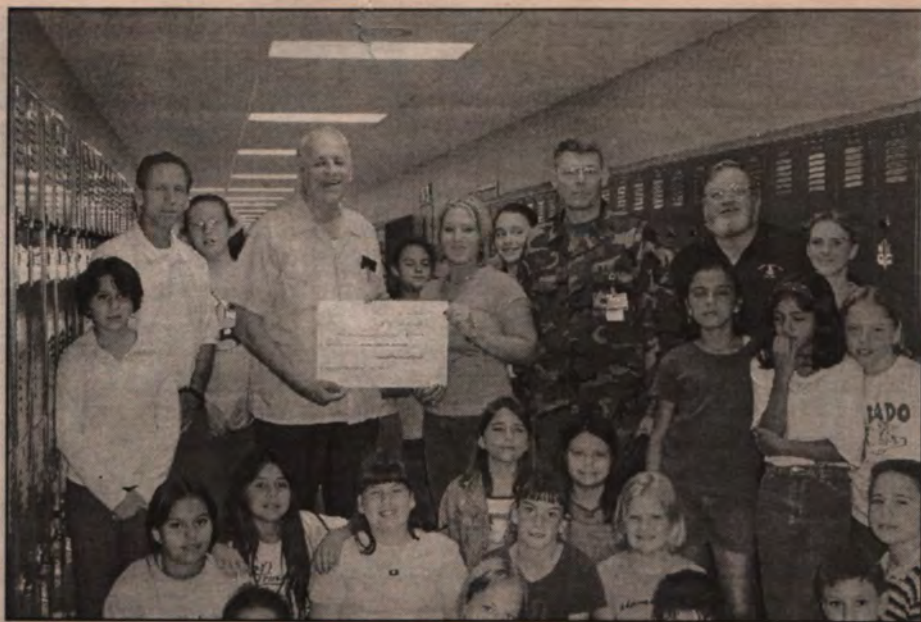
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Salado Masonic Lodge hands out check

Members of Salado Masonic Lodge presented a check for \$700 to Salado ISD Communities In School program (CIS). Pictured from left: Bill Morris, George Bushee, Jessica Beyer (CIS Coordinator), Will Culbertson, and Phillip Kabler. (PHOTO BY SCHUYLER KUYKENDALL)



Country & western dance to be held for single adults

The Temple Chapter of the Texas Association of Single Adults will sponsor a Country and Western Dance 6-10 p.m. June 1

at Frank's Lakeview Inn, Belton.

Boot Strap will perform. Admission is \$3 for TASA members and \$5 for non-

members. All singles 21 years of age and over are invited to attend.

The next business meeting of the Temple Chapter

of the TASA will be held 7 p.m. June 4 at Jim's Restaurant.

For more information, contact Patricia Pickett at (254) 899-0303.

Salado Humane Society to hold yard sale June 14

The Salado Humane Society will have a yard sale 8 a.m.-2 p.m. June 14 at the corner of Pace Park

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Sacrifice Health Coverage in the Name of Choice?

By LISA MCGIFFERT

Cutting costs through the use of smoke and mirrors is becoming a way of life in Texas. In the name of "consumer choice," the citizens of Texas often get far less value at a higher cost.

Homeowners insurance is a good example. Texans today get less coverage than they did a year ago due to eliminating previously mandated coverage for new water damage. But premiums have continued to escalate. Now the Texas Legislature threatens to do something similar to your employer-sponsored health insurance plan.

The latest insurance scheme embraced at the capitol is so-called "consumer driven" health plans. Employers love them because they can bring down their costs and health insurers love them because they hold their costs down and boost profits. But how about the consumers who "drive" these plans? Consumer driven simply means consumers pay more. It's all about cost shifting, from the employer and insurer to the consumer. In most cases, consumers will pay more for less coverage.

Consumer driven plans were developed out of the belief that if consumers pay more of their health care costs, they will use fewer health services. Consumers choose which services they want covered. The fallacy of this arrangement is that health insurance is designed to protect us from unexpected occurrences -- events that are not predictable. In most cases, employers will choose which services the plan will cover, without regard to their employees' needs.

These plans typically cover catastrophic health care needs and include high deductibles and co-payments at the point of service as a disincentive for using services. People who cannot afford the out-of-pocket costs probably will seek less health

care. People with health care problems will pay the most.

A Senate proposal creates a new "consumer choice" product by allowing insurers to sell plans without many of the coverage requirements the legislature has added over the past 20 to 30 years. These "mandates" include benefits that insurers historically denied, such as complications of pregnancy; immunizations; screening for osteoporosis and breast and prostate cancer, oral contraceptives; and surgery for craniofacial abnormalities.

According to the business and insurance lobby, state laws that require certain benefits are the culprits in rising health insurance premiums. But the Senate proposal does not guarantee that health plans without mandates will lower insurance premiums. And, there is no regulation of rates to protect against insurers overcharging for bare-bones coverage.

Supporters argue that allowing insurers to bypass current laws will reduce the numbers of the uninsured by providing more affordable health insurance coverage. That's a laudable goal considering that more than 4 million Texans are uninsured. But these new "choices" are tailored for the healthy and wealthy, and are not likely to help typical uninsured Texans with modest incomes or pre-existing conditions.

Mandates are not the major insurance cost-drivers. Numerous studies over the past decade have estimated that collectively, mandated benefits account for less than eight percent of the cost of premiums. And, the Texas Department of Insurance is now in the middle of assessing the actual cost of mandated benefits, using premium and claim data from Texas insurers. We should wait for those results before throwing mandates out.

The real cost drivers are hospital care and prescription drugs. Even though these items are not typically on the hit list of the anti-mandates crowd, they could be subject to severe limitations under these "design your own" plans. When a catastrophic illness occurs, consumers will incur huge out-of-pocket costs. Health care providers will have uncertainty about what is covered and may begin demanding payment up front from their patients.

These benefits required by law help consumers. They guarantee that coverage is comprehensive and can positively impact the long-term costs in our health care system. Insurance coverage used to be linked to a stay in the hospital, the most expensive setting for health care. Gradually, new laws were added to catch disease and treat conditions early and to cover services delivered by an array of less costly professionals.

If the Senate proposal passes, more Texans will be underinsured -- covered, but not for the care they need. Anyone at risk of spending more than 10 percent of their income on health care bills is underinsured. Under these so-called consumer driven plans, many people will put off needed care because they cannot afford the deductibles or the services that are not covered, leading to more expensive health care needs later.

Texans need to support the concept of spreading the risk of health care coverage among the healthy and sick, young and old. The Senate's consumer driven plans will fragment our risk pool and pull us further away from achieving the goal of access to high quality and affordable health care for all.

McGiffert is a senior policy analyst for the Southwest Regional Office of Consumers Union, Publisher of Consumer Reports.

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- Temple High School, June 7;
- Cameron-Elementary/Junior High School parking lot, June 14;
- Evant ISD -Evant Football Field, June 21; and
- Copperas Cove - Transfer Station, June 28.

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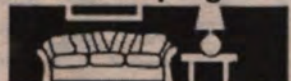
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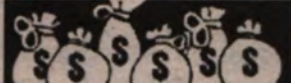


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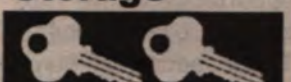


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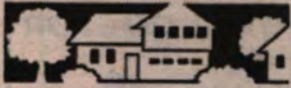
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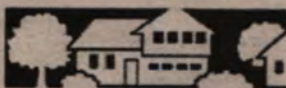
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\$235,000 - Incredible view from this home situated on 13.34 acres. The home was originally built as a Bed & Breakfast; therefore, there are four wonderful rooms upstairs with their own private bathrooms. The front of the house is graced by a wrap around porch with a railing. The master bedroom is located downstairs as well as a study, dining room, living room, and large kitchen with an island. For the garden lover, a state of the art greenhouse is located on the front of the property. Built in 1996.



\$349,500 - Newly constructed home with large windows across back of home provide an incredible view of Salado Creek and Mill Creek Golf Course. 2 BR and bath are located on main floor. Master bedroom and bath are located on third level. Master BR has view of Salado Creek & golf course from large windows all around. Bath is luxurious. Extra large closet. 3 car garage is on lower level.



\$166,000 - This three year old custom home has a large open floor plan with lots of windows & light. Formal dining room with crown molding & corner fireplace. The Master BR is inviting with raised pan ceiling and a wall of windows. Generous Master BA with separate shower & tub. Landscaped yard is .68 acre. 3 BR/2 BA.



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\$248,000 - 4 BR, 2-1/2 BA, 2 car + golf cart garage, formal dining, breakfast room, all on wooded 1 acre lot in the heart of Mill Creek. Quality construction, designed with energy efficiency in mind.



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- \$114,800 - New Construction! Tile, backsplash. 3BR/2 BA.
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- \$128,800 - Jimmy Wilson home on a 1 acre
- \$131,800 - New mid-size home on 1 acre.
- \$138,500 - 1.83 acres. 3 BR/2BA with open living/dining area.
- \$139,900 - New Austin stone with metal roof. 3 BR, 2 BA.
- \$152,000 - Copper fireplace, spiral staircase on wooded lot.
- \$159,500 - 3 BR, 2 BA, island in kitchen. Mill Creek
- \$159,900 - Corner lot in Mill Creek. Loft upstairs.
- \$164,800 - Country living on 2 acres. Oversized garage.
- \$166,000 - Raised ceiling in living room. Landscaped yard.
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- \$172,900 - Beautiful lot. In-ground pool. Split bedrooms.
- \$175,000 - Mill Creek, Spa-type bath, handicap access - UC
- \$191,000 - Custom home has 2 master suites w/ large baths.
- \$197,800 - One story 3 BR, 2 BA ranch style on 1.6 acres.
- \$198,500 - Austin Stone on 2 acres - Under Contract
- \$199,500 - At entrance to Mill Creek. Many possibilities.
- \$229,500 - Poolside, 2 acres, space for RV. 4 BR/3BA - UC
- \$235,000 - Original B&B built on 13.34 acres. Greenhouse.
- \$247,500 - Overlooking 14th Fairway, gameroom.
- \$248,000 - 4 BR/2-1/2 BA on 1 wooded acre in Mill Creek.
- \$287,500 - Elegant comfortable home on 4 acres. Lakeview.

- \$289,000 - Stone 4 BR home w/ open floor plan. 1.93 acres.
- \$295,000 - 4 BR home on 60 acres in Troy.
- \$339,000 - Mill Creek cul-de-sac - Under Contract
- \$349,000 - Elegant home backs up to golf course.
- \$349,500 - New home with view of Salado Creek & golf course.
- \$375,000 - Ranch-style Austin stone home on 29 acres.
- \$449,500 - Country Place B&B, 7 BR home, large barn.
- \$469,500 - 4 BR/4-1/2 BA, game room, 3 car garage.
- \$479,500 - On #9 Fairway, overlooks golf course & creek.
- \$599,000 - Colonial style on 57 acres, guest house, barn.
- \$699,900 - Country living, pool, 7 acres, barn, workshop.
- \$895,000 - 4 BR on 40 acres fronting the Lampasas River.
- \$1,450,000 - Executive 4 BR home on Salado Creek.

Commercial Property

- \$246,500 - Retail space on Main St. 2090 SF w/office & BA.
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- 8.77 acres on I-35 at crossover with road on 3 sides, Exit 286 at Salado.
- 5.7 acres with long frontage on Lampasas River. Beautiful trees, lovely view of countryside.
- Last 5 acres tract in restricted subdivision. Reduced to \$55,000.

Lots

Mill Creek Lots

- 1136 Mill Creek Dr. - Under Contract
- 808 Mill Creek Dr. - \$30,000
- Mill Creek Springs - \$30 - \$75,000
- 700 Indian Trail - \$30,000
- Jack Nicklaus Circle - \$90,000
- Lot 1 Club Circle - \$49,800
- Fletcher Ct. - \$69,000
- Hester Way - \$55,000

Other Lots

- Royal Oaks - \$30,000
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 - Rita Bend Drive - \$39,900
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3BR/2BA brick home in Mill Creek. Beautifully landscaped, 2 car garage, storage shed, back yard deck. **\$188,900.**



Gorgeous tree covered corner lot with 3BR/2BA home in a prime location of Mill Creek. **\$188,000.**



Beautiful wooded lot in the Woods of Salado subdivision. 3BR/2BA, brick fireplace, covered patio deck in back, storage shed. **\$129,900.**

2.7 acres fronting FM 2843. **\$29,900** or 1.35 acres for **\$20,000.**

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250 acres, 3 lakes hilltop views w approximately 60 acres of woods. **\$1,950/acre.**

425 acres, 3 lakes almost 2+ miles of road frontage. Approximately. 40-50 acres of woods with balance of native pasture & fields. Roads on 3 sides. **\$1,950/acre.**

Salado Lots

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2 acre lot southwest of Salado. Beautiful trees. Excellent homesite. **\$28,900.**

2 acre lot southwest of Salado. Beautiful trees. Excellent homesite. **\$27,900.**

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3 acres commercial property fronting I-35, Phase 3. **\$89,900.**

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