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Hometown newspaper read by Allen & Debbie Taylor

Aldermen work their way through busy agenda

By CHRIS MCGREGOR
STAFF WRITER

The Village of Salado Aldermen June 5 discussed the progress of the Pace Park playground, reviewed the proposed Solicitation Ordinance, appointed a Mayor Pro-Tem and considered a possible conflict of interest concerning Alderman Michael Cooper and his involvement in litigation regarding property within the Village boundaries.

The board also heard from Sprint representatives Linda Green and Dan Schipper, who announced their company's plans to begin work on improving Salada area telephone lines.

The work to renovate the telephone cable will include some tree-trimming, a concern to both Sprint and many local residents. "We have a legal right to trim these trees, but we're going to trim the absolute minimum to get the cable through," said Schipper.

The work is scheduled to begin in July, and should take approximately two months to complete.

In seeking recommenda-

tions from the board, Sprint agreed to mail notices to all homes in the work area, as well as release other media announcements.

Schipper related that the upgrade will improve local phone services, and in the long run will include projected savings of up to \$270,000. A copy of a map detailing where the work will take place is available for viewing at the Municipal Building.

Alderman Rick Ashe then addressed the board about the yet-to-be-built playground in Pace Park. Initially, talk had centered around placing the playscape on the Park's north end, but the definite site has not been finalized.

Ashe also told the board that the playscape will not take up booth space for the Art Fair, which had been a concern for some residents.

Ashe also spoke to the board regarding the proposed Solicitation Ordinance, saying that Salado's would be similar to those adopted in Temple and Killeen. "If you're going to go door-to-door in Salado, you're going to have to come to the Village office and get a permit," Ashe



Aldermen Michael Cooper, Jackie Mills, Mayor Charlotte Douglass, Vic Means and Rick Ashe review a map of improvements to be made by Sprint. Linda Green is shown reviewing the map with the Village aldermen.

(PHOTO BY CHRIS MCGREGOR)

said. "Our plan will eliminate the fly-by-night people."

The Ordinance, however, will specifically exempt civic and charitable organizations, as well as highway panhandlers.

Also, the board heard from Alderman Michael Cooper in a possible conflict of interest situation. The Marshall Formby Foundation, based out of Marshall, has secured the legal services of Cooper in regards to a .90 acre tract of land, just south of the

Post Office, that the organization had purchased.

A small roadway cuts through the property, which was never claimed by Bell County, and thus was not inherited by the Village upon incorporation. It had been presumably used as a driveway in the past. Cooper asked that the Village disaffirm any interest in the roadway.

With Cooper abstaining from the vote, the board passed a motion disaffirming interest in adopting the roadway, as well as autho-

rizing Cooper to continue his services with the Marshall Formby Foundation, as there is no apparent conflict of interest.

In other business, the board elected Alderman Vic Means to serve as Mayor Pro-Tem, and moved the possible annexation of Fairway Golf Carts to the next meeting, pending a survey on the property.

The aldermen will meet 6:30 p.m. June 19 at the Municipal Building. Aldermen meetings are open to the public.

Zoning hearing set June 17

The Village of Salado will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map 6:30 p.m. June 17 at the Salado Civic Center on Main St.

The Comprehensive Plan steering committee has been working on the 140+ page draft document in workshop sessions for several months, since completion of the Subdivision Ordinance.

The Zoning Ordinance is one of four parts comprising the Comprehensive Plan. The other parts that have been adopted by aldermen are the Guiding Principles, the Transportation Plan and the Subdivision Ordinance.

Copies of the proposed Zoning Ordinance and Zoning map are available at the Village of Salado Municipal Building for inspection and will be available for viewing at the meeting as well.

The public may make comments during the hearing or they may submit comments in writing by June 17 to Village of Salado, PO Box 219, Salado, TX 76571.

Consequences takes top prize at recent Greene Literary Festival

Unintended Consequences of Our Brothers by Phyllis Allen, featuring the author and Richard Dillard as actors, was judged winner of the third annual Greene Festival, June 4-7, produced by Salado's Living Room Theatre.

Carver said, "There were two other noteworthy finalists in the Festival, *A Hole in the Heart* by Fred Afflerbach with the author performing with Lilla Barnes, Kevin Bloomfield, Cameron Burk, and Mike D'Amelio. Also, *Billy Bob's Garage* by Mary Cimarolli with actors, Buzz Rahm, Tom McGlasson, and April Allen.

On June 7, the First State Bank of Salado hosted a performance of *Roseborough* by Jane Roberts Wood, Guest Author

at the Festival, with actors Ann Faber, Dawn Orange, and Barbara Harper. Also, *My Mother Had a Maid* by Wood with actors, Bill and Shirley Pinkston, Brandon Jarratt, and Joan Ward.

Phyllis Allen's piece, *Unintended Consequences of Our Brothers*, was written not as a short-story, but specifically for the festival, with the prospect of it being performed in front of a live audience in mind.

Hence the dialogue was crisp, clever and lively, helped along by the vitality of Allen and Dillard, who played off one another to great effect.

The story was a hypothetical one, but had its roots in fact. Allen played the role of jailer in a Texas penitentiary. Dillard took on the character of a death-row inmate awaiting his execution, still struggling

with his inability to escape the prejudices of his past, both taught and self-perpetuated.

Although it was never stated, it was evident the piece was a play on the murder of James Byrd, a black man whose body was mutilated in Jasper, Texas, by a group of white men.

The case touched on sensitive nerves when it was making headlines, and its essence, several years after the fact, was adapted powerfully and smoothly to the stage.

Dillard's character, sensing his own mortality and grasping to come to terms with his acts of inhumanity, shuffles between self-doubt and a precarious attempt at justifying his crime. Allen's character is no fool, and calmly exposes the flaws and inherent misery engen-

dered by his fatalistic outlook on life.

A sort of ambiguous epiphany is reached in the performance's closing moments, but one is left with the sense that uprooting racism remains something of an uphill battle.

The point should be one that resonates with anyone: hate begets hate, and its perpetuation is nothing more than a smear on our state, our country, and humankind in general.

Festival Judge/Critic Fran Vick, in her post-performance remarks, described the piece as simply "outstanding."

The Festival was supported in part by the National Endowment for the Arts, the Texas Commission on the Arts, The Writers League of Texas, and the Salado Village



Phyllis Allen is the winner of the 2003 A.C. and Judy Greene Literary Festival for her play "Unintended Consequences of our Brothers." She is shown above with Richard Dillard, who performed the piece with her. (PHOTO BY CHRIS MCGREGOR)

Tourism Council

Other hosts for the Festival were Joan and Chine Ray, Katherine Tyson, and Lynda and Jerry O'Rear.

Patrons of the Festival were Charles and Jeanne Barrier, Paul and Mary Jean Boston, Shirley Courtney, Mary Hill, Anita and Joe Holt, Peggy and Vic Means, Shirley and Bill Pinkston, and Jane and Harry Wilmer. Sponsors were Cathy's Boardwalk Café and the Mansion of Salado. Festival Critic/

Judge, Fran Vick, provided critiques.

The purpose of the Festival - named in honor of Texas author A. C. Greene and his wife, Judy - is the development of unpublished new works by Texas writers. Festival manager and artistic director was Raymond Carver and Master of Ceremonies was Charles Barrier.

Allen received a first place trophy and \$1,500. Afflerbach and Cimarolli each received \$250.

FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



An Assault on Common Sense

Only in Washington would it be considered imperative to extend legislation precisely because it's been so ineffectual. Such is the logic behind a Democratic push to prevent the assault-weapons ban from expiring next year, and even to broaden it. It was obvious at the time of the ban's passage in 1994 that it couldn't possibly have any effect on crime as advertised, which it hasn't. The ban nonetheless is such a nice-sounding idea -- who wouldn't want to ban "assault weapons"? -- that even President Bush has endorsed its reauthorization.

If the ban is indeed preserved and broadened, it will be just as worthless as the original version. By the reasoning of its supporters, that failure will, in turn, make necessary an even more sweeping ban.

Thus gun-controllers demonstrate the fine political art of how to win by repeatedly doing things that don't work. In the rest of the world, that fits the loose definition of insanity -- "doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results" -- but in Washington, it defines success.

The term "assault weapon" became popular just as a crack-induced urban crime wave was reaching its crest, conjuring images of gang members doing battle with AK-47s. The image was a boogeyman.

Criminologist Gary Kleck recounts that the head of the biggest gang detail in Los Angeles in the mid-1980s had never confiscated any assault weapons. A study of drive-by shootings in L.A. found that an assault weapon had figured in only one of 583 incidents. This made sense, since few street criminals would want to try to carry on their persons a heavy, conspicuous rifle.

When it came time for Congress to ban assault weapons, the difficulty was that no

The Rich Lowry Column

one knew exactly what they were. They were commonly taken to be semiautomatics that accept a large magazine and -- the crucial part -- have a "military-style" appearance.

Congress cut through the amor-phousness by arbitrarily picking 19 nasty-looking models to ban. It also enumerated characteristics, including bayonet mounts and pistol grips, that would be verboten on certain semiautomatics. None of these characteristics have anything to do with the lethality of the guns. And if you think there is danger of assault-weapons-armed criminals charging with their bayonets fixed, you have probably seen "Lethal Weapon 4" one too many times.

If gun-controllers were to be consistent, they would drop the fuzzy "assault weapons" label and seek to ban all semiautomatic longarms. This would constitute a clean category of guns for prohibition. It also would require honesty about the real target of the ban: not street criminals, but people who own such guns to hunt and protect their homes.

That would be politically fatal. So gun-control forces try to extend the assault-weapons ban instead, a salami-slice strategy toward an ultimate, much broader gun prohibition. A whiff of their dishonesty can be detected in the senselessness of their argumentation: If the ban hasn't worked, why end it now?

July Special Session announcement imminent. Redistricting to be in call. New map keeps Bell intact

Rumors swirling around the Capitol building in Austin last week, dealt mostly with "when - not, if" the Governor will call a special session. Some opined it could be as early as this week. In any event, Rick the Reluctant will do as he's told, ergo - the session is imminent, with Congressional Redistricting one of two topics to be considered.

Calling these shots is Majority Leader Tom DeLay (R-Sugarland) who covets more Republican seats in the House, even though no one in their right mind wants to revisit the subject at this time - neither the public, the legislature or even the Governor.

Every member of the Fourth Estate, from "Cub" reporters to old hands in the business, have "sources" who give them the "inside skinny" on what (they reckon) is fixing to happen. This column is no exception and what we discovered (down Austin-way) was that a July session will be held, with both Redistricting and the Government Reorganization bill, expected to be in the Guv's call.

Texas Republicans elected to the House of Representatives lag behind Demos 17-15, and to rectify this "intolerable" situation, Delay has gerrymandered the redistricting maps to produce a GOP majority of 20 seats - and Perry has been ordered to call a session and get it done!

BELL TO STAY IN ONE PIECE

Our sources tell us that the most recently "drafted" redistricting map, that has been OK'd by Delay and approved (naturally) by Perry and the rest of his "lock step" troops, keeps Bell County intact, but in a new district that heads West to Brownwood.

Congressman Chet Edwards' District 11, would exit Bell and using McLennan County as its lynchpin, will turn northwards to the outskirts of Fort Worth. Other than McLennan, Edwards would be faced with a brand new area in which to make himself known. Not an impossible task but one that will take money (which he has) and many new converts.

Salado's fledgling district, weighted in Bell County's favor, will produce a wide-open race that already has two Republicans on board. Former State Legislator Hugh Shine, manager of the Morgan Stanley investment firm in Temple, tossed his hat in the ring earlier this year. And, Belton retired army officer Allen Riddle, who announced his intentions last week.

This will be an expensive race (some say a million-plus bucks will be needed) and one in which an experienced hand like Shine should emerge as pack leader. Look for a crowded field before it's over.

WILL DEMOCRATS WALK?

Quite naturally the first question raised, when the subject of a special redistricting session surfaced, was: "Will the Demos in the Legislature take another hike to halt passage of a congressional redistricting bill?"

And the answer is - NO! The 50 Democratic members of the House who skipped off to Ardmore (and Denny's eatery) made their point. They used the only weapon available to halt what they believed was a bad piece of legislation. Trying it a second time would result in a 100% negative reaction by everyone including independents, who are being carefully wooed by Demos.

And besides - in a special session the rules can be "jury-rigged" so that a simple majority will "carry the day" rather than a two-thirds vote - so even if the Liberals again take "French Leave," the GOPers would have enough votes to

Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



Public reaction against leaving 12 million kids out of the new tax law's \$400 refund was swift and threatening. Senate restored the money and after Bush rattles DeLay's chain - the House will follow suit. Nothing humanitarian in this - the reelection parade is forming and GOP isn't taking chances.

"work their will."

DID CONSCIENCE CAUSE TAX LAW CHANGE?

In a stunning rebirth of conscience, ("Benefit of the doubt" herein granted, despite a general feeling that the current crop of congressional Tories are conscienceless), the US Senate last Thursday voted 94-2 to restore the child tax credit of \$400 to the 6.5 million families (12 million kids) who had been heartlessly denied this much needed assistance in the recently approved tax relief law - because (said the White House) "these folks earn so little, they pay no income tax at all!"

One would think this group certainly needs help more than, let us say, our billionaire Vice President Dick Cheney - who will get a reported \$100,000 from the tax package.

The House, under the mean spirited tutelage of former bug exterminator Tom DeLay, first said it would not consider such a move (helping these low wage earners) but pressure, and not just from bad old liberals, but across America, gave the White House mavens a sudden chill, so President Bush was told to lend a helping hand (for reelection purposes).

Therefore - expect DeLay to get a call from his boss to "cool it" and get the Senate bill passed pronto - before the zealots in Congress screw up and rain all over the big second term parade before it gets underway.

MODERN MIRACLE

Pardon this personal note that verges on the miraculous. Last Wednesday (June 4) at about three o'clock in the morning - bad weather caused the power along some of Bartlett Electric Co-op's line to fail - including our rural home west of Salado. Having nothing better to do, once awakened, I called the Co-op's main number and in "five" seconds, actually spoke to a "living, breathing human being" who promised quick action. An hour later power was restored!

Told this amazing story to friends here in Salado, all of whom are customers of giant TXU and its electric distributing division - Oncor. From their outspoken experiences, it appears such an early morning power-off in Salado would have resulted in never talking to anything but a machine and as one Villager grumbled: "You'd have been selecting from their (Oncor) menu until time for breakfast!"

Don't know about that lengthy-a-delay - but in this writer's not-so-humble opinion - the worst invention (next to the computer) is the answering machine!

That's -30-

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Media out of touch

MICHAEL QUINN SULLIVAN

On the only issue that matters, the 78th Legislative Session was a success. Not that any newspaper will notice.

The Texas Constitution requires the legislature to pass a balanced budget. That's the only task we, legally-speaking, require of our elected officials in Austin. Did everyone get what they want? Absolutely not.

While not perfect, budget priorities established this Session by the new leadership clearly reflect the will of Texans expressed at the ballot box: tightly controlled spending, strict responsibility over funds, and a retreat from the spend-and-tax mentality of the political left.

Don't expect to see that on many editorial pages, though. Last year I wrote an article titled, "The Statesman Doesn't Matter," which chronicled the declining influence of Texas' big media outlets, such as the *Austin American-Statesman*. In the early 1990s, 31 percent of Texans read the Sunday edition of the largest papers, today it down to 20 percent. Why?

Here's a clue: While more than two-thirds of Texans voted for gubernatorial and legislative candidates pledging to reduce taxes, most newspapers were calling for (and still are) such discredited ideas as higher rates and new taxes.

Not wanting to confuse readers with facts, editorial pages painted the only solution to the state's budget shortfall as new, higher taxes. Never mind that states with income taxes, and higher rates, had far worse budget problems than Texas this year.

The religious fervor with which the state's major media clings to the notion of an income tax borders on irrationality.

They must have forgotten the fact businesses have

been relocating to Texas in droves during the last decade because our taxes - while rising - were still below those of many of our economic competitors.

Even if they don't know it, our competitors do. For several years, the difference between high-tax and low-tax states has diminished. Once derided as "tax-achusetts," Massachusetts has been work to lower its rates and become more economically competitive.

So when Governor Perry, Lt. Gov. Dewhurst and the majority of House and Senate members pledged to work against tax increases, they were doing so with a clear understanding there was simply no alternative: raising taxes will forfeit growth and destroy jobs.

What drives the desire for the media support for higher taxes? The hypocrisy is telling.

On the one hand, companies like Cox Texas Newspapers (which owns the *Austin American-Statesman*, among others) took advantage of the state's tax laws by organizing in a way that has greatly reduced its tax bill.

On the other hand, those same publications cry for higher taxes for the rest of us. The real dissonance, however, is not on taxes at all, but on spending and the philosophy of government.

Who should help people in need, government or individuals? And when government helps, what criteria should there be? Almost two-thirds of Texans last November used their vote to demand that taxpayers "help" be truly helpful, going only to those who really need it, and for only as long as necessary.

This time, when the people said "don't mess with taxes," the legislature listened.

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FORUM

Perry, Craddick, Republicans fail Texans during Legislative Session

By MOLLY BETH MALCOLM
TX DEMOCRATIC PARTY PRESIDENT

During the 2000 presidential election, many political pundits showcased Texas as an example of how state legislators and other elected officials of different parties could work together in a bi-partisan fashion. Then-Governor George W. Bush pointed to his working relationships with Democratic office-holders like Texas House Speaker James E. "Pete" Laney and the late Lt. Governor Bob Bullock in an attempt to prove that he could work effectively with Democrats.

When divisiveness and partisan strife made other state legislatures look more like Washington, DC, Texas stood out as an alternative way to govern.

This week, legislators wrapped up another legislative session. Students of Texas politics will be analyzing the different dynamics at work during this session. George W. Bush campaigned for the presidency promising to "change the tone" in Washington, DC by bringing Texas-style values to the nation's capitol. Meanwhile, in Texas, the tone has definitely changed... for the worse. We have the Republican Governor and the new Republican Speaker of the House to thank for that.

A review of the 78th Legislative Session shows a clear contrast between the practices of current Speaker Tom Craddick and the fair and bi-partisan process that was a staple of former Democratic Speaker Pete Laney.

The nature of Speaker Craddick's reign can best be characterized by his surrender of the House and its agenda to outside special interests.

We went from Pete Laney, the most ethical and fair Speaker in recent memory, to Tom Craddick, the embodiment of special-interests and partisan politics. That Governor Perry served as Craddick's cheerleader deepened the problem.

Craddick's handling of redistricting and tort reform were two of his largest legislative failures. Craddick agreed to Tom DeLay's Republican power grab, a redistricting plan that would have needlessly divided up the state to

create Republican districts. And Craddick agreed to a big business money grab by passing legislation that severely limits Texans' legal rights.

Under Tom Craddick, the House of Representatives looked like an auction barn for big business and the far right wing. On issue after issue, powerful special interests seemed to have more to say about the outcome than the House members themselves.

This change in tone appears to be part of a strategic plan put in place by Republicans at the highest levels. Occasionally, a Republican will slip and give us a frank glimpse into what the GOP has in mind for Texas. Last week Grover Norquist, the head of the right-wing GOP front-group called Americans for Tax Reform, said "We are trying to change the tones in the state capitals-and turn them toward bitter nastiness and partisanship. Bipartisanship is another name for date rape." According to the *Denver Post*, Norquist said redistricting efforts are aimed at eliminating conservative Democrats like West Texas Congressman Charlie Stenholm "so that no Texan need grow up thinking that being a Democrat is acceptable behavior."

The collapse of bi-partisanship, the unprecedented influence of the big business lobby and the resurgence of a more Washington-style tone in Texas were not the only results of the Republican power grab this year.

Republicans claim they made history during this legislative session. They did. The legacy of the Republican takeover of Texas government includes drastic cuts in public education, higher education, and health care for women, children, and the elderly. More than 10,000 Texans will lose their jobs during a time of recession as a result of the budget cuts.

Rick Perry and Tom Craddick can't dodge responsibility for hurting hundreds of thousands of Texas families. They deserve full credit for this fiasco.

The Republican budget will:

- Slash Health Care for Women, Children, and the Elderly

- Republican cuts will devastate children, elderly Texans, and pregnant women

- 169,000 children cut off CHIP-those who remain will have reduced benefits

- 332,198 children cut off Medicaid

- 1,500 chronically ill and disabled children will be denied health care

- 15,975 pregnant women will lose prenatal care over the next two years

- 8,653 elderly will be cut from community and long term care

- 100,000 elderly will face reduced hours for community and long term care

- Reduce Public Education Standards

- Republicans cut teacher health insurance, as well as salary supplements for teachers and school employees.

- Hundreds of millions of dollars are cut from the Teachers Retirement System and retired teachers will see their health insurance premiums increase by 30 percent.

- Republican cuts eliminate hundreds of millions of dollars for school textbooks.

- Increase the Cost of College Tuition

- Republicans cut funding for higher education and will allow colleges and universities to hike tuition rates through "tuition deregulation."

- What many legislators call a "tax on the middle class" will likely price many lower-income and middle-class students out of a college education.

Republicans have been successful in campaigns past by trying to blur the difference between Democrats and the GOP on the issues that Texans most care about: education, health care, and jobs. But they will not be able to blur the difference any longer. The moment of truth has come for Texas Republicans. There is no longer any speculation about Republican priorities, and they can no longer dodge responsibility for their agenda.

Now, they are in charge. Now, they must take the

Hog factories get a free pass



Jim Hightower

Rural people and local officials have long complained to the Environmental Protection Agency about the sickening air and water pollution coming from the massive, corporate hog factories that have sprung up across the country. And now - by golly - George W. Bush's EPA is listening... to the polluters!

These hog factories are huge, cramming tens of thousands of hogs inside and channeling hog urine and feces into open-air cesspools the size of football fields. Oh, the stink! Think of rancid road kill mixed with overloaded Port-a-Potty on a hot day. It's a knee buckling, mind-melting, pass-out stink.

But the stench is not just an "odor" - it's a substance. In particular, it's fecal dust, and hundreds of tons of these invisible hog-stuff particles drift through the air for residents of the area to breathe. Scientific studies now are proving that the stink is poisonous, ruining people's health.

Instead of enforcing existing laws or enacting stronger protections for people, however, the Bushites closeted themselves with industry lobbyists, privately negotiating on a proposal written by polluters themselves.

Hold your nose, because the plan agreed to by Bush & Company is even stinkier than hog stuff. One, the corporate hog factories are to be given amnesty for any past violations of the Clean Air Act - even violations that poisoned people.

Two, the EPA will pursue no new cases against polluters, and control of factory-farm pollution will be moved from EPA's enforcement professionals to its political office.

Three, in exchange for this Get-out-of-jail-free card, the industry agrees to have its pollution "monitored" by EPA on a voluntary basis. But only 30 of the thousands of hog factories will be monitored, and even if they're found to be rank violators of the law, they will not have to make changes in their practices.

To fight Bushstink, call the GRACE Factory Farm Project at 212-726-9161.

Courage & cowardice

Dear Editor:

In response to the letter from Aliceanne Wallace concerning redistricting. The definition of brave in the World Book Dictionary is without fear; having courage; showing courage.

If the democrats were brave in running to Oklahoma to stop the redistricting, our soldiers who just fought the war on Iraq are not brave, for they stood their ground and did not run away.

Maybe, if Jayson Blair had written an article about this in the *New York Times*,

it would have had a better outcome than the country laughing at the Texas legislature. When redistricting has come up in the past with a Democratic majority, the Republicans were truly brave. They stood their ground and did not run away. So, let's drop the titles of Democrat and Republican, and just be Texans and do what is right for Texas.

God Bless Texas and God Bless the United States of America.

Karen Corbitt
Salado

SISD TAKS scores surprising

By Dr. Robin Battershell SISD SUPERINTENDENT

We have received the results from the new TAKS test. They are surprising. The State anticipated a drastic drop in test scores. This did not occur. Our scores in grades 3-8 far exceeded the State projections given to us last year. You will note that in grades 3-8, SISD exceeded the State average. Students in grades 9-11 did very poorly both in Salado and across the State. Based upon these same students' previous performance on the TAAS and our high school's exemplary rating, I doubt that this is a matter of the students not learning.

Across the state, high school students have been saturated with field and regular testing. This test DID NOT count towards grades, promotion, or grad-

Salado TAKS scores compared to state averages

	State	SISD	Diff.
3rd Reading	63	100	+37
3rd Math	90	95	+5
4th Reading	86	88	+2
4th Math	88	89	+1
4th Writing	n/a	93	n/a
5th Reading	80	87	+7
5th Math	86	97	+11
5th Science	74	85	+11
6th Reading	86	95	+9
6th Math	79	91	+12
7th Reading	88	99	+11
7th Math	73	96	+23
7th Writing	n/a	94	n/a
8th Reading	88	92	+4
8th Math	72	75	+3
8th Social Science	93	95	+2
9th Reading	82	83	+1
9th Math	63	65	+2
10th Reading	72	68	-4
10th Math	71	73	+2
11th Reading	69	48	-21
11th Math	68	66	-2
11th Science	67	50	-17
11th Social Science	90	84	-6

uation. Many high school students did not perform well on this test because

they were burned out and/or they understood that this test did not count.

Last year's third graders were required to pass the 3rd grade reading TAKS test in order to be promoted to 4th grade. All of our students passed.

Districts in Texas will not receive an accountability rating this year because this is a new test. The test will be revised this summer based upon this first test. Social studies will probably become more difficult and the 7th and 8th grade mathematics test's level of difficulty will be studied. I do not think that the high school test will change because there was a non-representative sample this school year.

Remember, that the standard will again be raised for next year in every grade level. The 2003-04 eleventh graders will be required to pass the TAKS in order to graduate.

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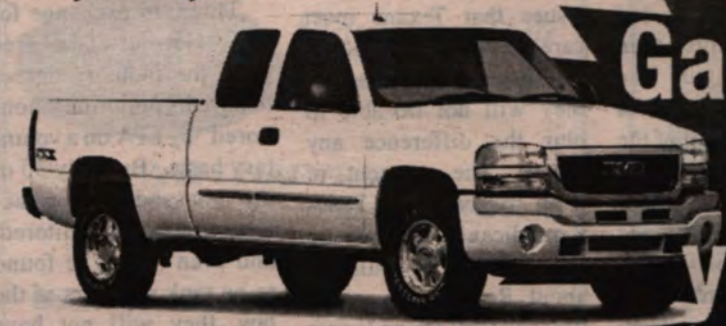

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By Ed Feulner
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Congress and President Bush finally have a tax cut all can agree on.

OK, almost everyone. After all, we've been hearing throughout the entire debate from some pundits and politicians who never met a tax cut they couldn't demonize.

Especially the one Congress approved in 2001. Only part of it has gone into effect, but that hasn't stopped tax-cut foes using it as Exhibit #1 in their latest crusade.

"The Bush tax cuts have failed," Rep. Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., said recently. "They are not making the economy better, they are not helping people get jobs." Adds *New York Times* columnist Paul Krugman: "It's clear that the administration's tax-cut obsession isn't just busting the budget. It's also indirectly destroy-

ing jobs by preventing any rational response to a weak economy."

Ironically, though, the president's economic strategy has made our modest level of growth possible. A study from The Heritage Foundation's Ronald Utt notes that our economy grew twice as fast last year as the European Union's.

That's even more impressive if you consider the unique challenges our economy faces. The stock market bubble that popped on Wall Street in 2000 was worse than in Europe. Then the attacks of Sept. 11 hit us - hard. Despite that, only Canada and Australia enjoyed more robust growth than the United States did in 2002. And let's not forget that Canada's economy is really an outgrowth of ours and that it gets a boost because we absorb most of its exports.

True, a one-year snapshot proves little, but when

Utt analyzed economic performance over longer periods of time, he found essentially the same trend. France's experience is typical: Citizens there have seen their buying power decline relative to America's over the past two decades - a period during which France embarked upon an aggressive tax-and-spend policy. Today, taxes in France consume more than 45 percent of the national economic output, compared to just over 29 percent in the United States.

Yes, unemployment in America is up slightly. The jobless rate rose by one-tenth of one percent last year, and we must work to change that. However, in the Euro Zone (the 12 countries that share Europe's single currency) unemployment soared by six-tenths of one percent. Clearly, the 2001 tax cut is helping us hold the line by creating the jobs necessary to replace most of the ones we're losing.

What does Gephardt propose? To repeal the 2001 cut and spend the money on universal health care. He claims that such a step will create economic growth.

To see if he's right, we need look no further than France and Germany, two high tax countries with

national health care. The French economy grew barely half as much as ours did in 2002, and unemployment climbed to 9.2 percent. Even that anemic growth is better than Germany's. The economy there practically stood still last year (a growth rate of one-half of one percent) while unemployment climbed to 10.6 percent.

Higher taxes and more government spending aren't the answer. Remember that, for years, while high-tax Europe struggled and free-spending Japan suffered, the American economy soared, pulling the rest of the world with it.

The worldwide downturn has finally slowed us down, and trimming taxes is the way to get us back on track.

Good tax cuts boost our economy by encouraging people to work, save and invest. Our growth since 2001 proves it, and our future growth demands it. With the 2001 cut fully in place and an even better one on the way this year, our economy will remain the envy of the rest of the world.



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Saladoan Preece receives Master's

The School of Rural Public Health (SRPH), part of the Texas A&M University System Health Science Center, announces the graduation of Cheryl Kasberg Preece on May 17. A Salado resident, Preece earned a master of public health degree with concentration in health policy and management.

Preece attended Texas A&M University and earned a bachelor of science in mathematical science in December 1988 and

a master of science in statistics in May 1991.

The SRPH is the first school of public health with a stated rural focus in its mission and is accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health. While still a classic school of public health, it concentrates on traditionally rural and underserved areas. The school currently offers a master of public health, a master of public science in public health, a master of health administration and

a Ph.D. in health services research.

The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center provides the state with health education, outreach and research. Its five components located in communities throughout the Texas are Baylor College of Dentistry, the College of Medicine, the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, the Institute of Biosciences and Technology and the School of Rural Public Health.

Annual Salado reunion June 14

The annual Salado Reunion will be June 14 at the Salado Intermediate School. The Reunion brings together families and graduating classmates

from Salado every year. The reunion will begin at 9:30 a.m. with a catered luncheon at noon. To reserve your tickets for lunch, please call Zelda

Allen at 933-0801. Newcomers and old-timers alike are invited to attend the Salado Reunion, to talk with old friends and make new ones.

Children's camp at CTC

This summer, Central Texas College will offer local children an experience filled with fun, learning and the arts.

The 2003 CTC Fine Arts Camp provides day

and residential camping specifically designed for preteens and teenagers who want to express their creative energy through art, dance, drama, and music. The art programs are

balanced by recreational activities, such as swimming, ice cream social, picnics, movies, and talent shows.

The camp is scheduled for 8 a.m.-9:30 p.m. July 9-12, daily, and is open to children ages 10-19.

The camp participants can choose from among a variety of classes including music instrument and voice classes, painting and drawing, modern dance, ballet, theater basics, and many others. All classes are taught in warm, informal atmosphere by the experienced CTC fine arts department faculty and continuing education instructors. The camp will conclude 4 p.m. July 12 with a grand finale performance by the participants. Families and friends of the campers are welcome to attend the show.

The fees are \$250 (\$275 if registering after June 16) for resident camper which include tuition and room and board (accommodations at the CTC residence hall and three meals a day at the CTC student cafeteria). The fees are \$175 (\$200 if registering after June 16) for commuter camper (includes tuition and lunch and dinner daily). All participants will receive a free camp t-shirt and group photo.

For more information or to register, call (254) 526-1586 or come by the CTC Continuing Education office located in building 119, room 208 on CTC campus in Killeen 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon-Thurs. or 8-11 a.m. Fri. Registration deadline is June 23.

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Family Planning and Community Outreach Educator of Bell County spoke to Rotary Club, June 3

SCHUYLER KUYKENDALL
STAFF WRITER

Texas leads the nation in teenage pregnancies, says Consuelo Elliot, BSN, RN, Family Planning and Community Outreach Educator for the Bell County Health District. Teenage pregnancy is down though from 2000-2001.

"The biggest problem we're having is a rise in chlamydia," she told the Rotary Club of Salado, June 3. With chlamydia, sometimes you do not see the symptoms right away.

The Bell County Health District has a clinic in Killeen and Temple which offers education, screening, treatment and referrals, for sexually transmitted diseases (STDs).

The clinic also offers information on WIC (Women, Infant, Children program). This program is funded by the Texas Department of Health. WIC provides nutrition to pregnant women during and after their pregnancy. Some of the nutritional items that are provided are milk, cheese, and bread. This program is income-based. After pregnancy, women can receive

cereal, grains, and formula for their babies.

Their Family Planning Clinics offer women's health care services: yearly exams, pap smears, birth control, postpartum exams, mammograms, and referrals. These services are based on family size and income.

They also offer a Prenatal Clinic to women who do not or cannot get prenatal care or do not have health insurance.

HIV testing is free of charge to anyone. An HIV coordinator for the Health District provides outreach testing and education in the community.

Immunizations, regardless if you have health insurance or not is provided. Cost is \$7 for the first shot and \$10 for two or more shots. "We have a Community Outreach program, where we go out into the community and provide on-site immunizations," she said. "One example would be going to school districts and providing immunizations for students who need to up-date their records."

"Another problem we are having is a rise in Tuberculosis cases. We have seen

five new active cases in this area," she said. "Just when we thought it had been radicated, it becomes more of a problem." There is a case manager who follows patient care cases. They are required to view the patient taking their medication.

Abstinence, STD, and Pregnancy Prevention Education programs are available to local institutions and community groups. They go into middle and high schools and teach them, "nothing in the world is safe," when it comes to sex. The program also promote saving sex for marriage.

One in five people over the age of 12 is infected with Herpes. In 2002, they saw 12 new cases of HIV and four cases that upgraded from HIV to AIDS.

The Health District serves Salado, Killeen, Temple, Belton, Troy, Holland, and surrounding areas.

For more information on any of the services they provide contact the Temple office at (254) 778-4766. Their hours of operation are 7 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Mon.-Thurs. and 7-11 a.m. Fri.

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Softball camp for youngsters July 18-20

Coach Dan Sheppard, former University of Mary Hardin-Baylor head softball and former state high school championship softball coach will be conducting one of his summer softball clinics at the Salado Lady Eagle softball field on July 18-20. This is a three day camp for those players entering the third grade through 12th grade.

Coach Sheppard will be covering the fundamentals of throwing, catching, hitting, pitching, sliding, and other skills necessary to play the game of softball successfully. The camp will be broken down into three sessions:

- July 18 Hitting Camp Session I (3rd-6th graders) 3-5p.m.;
- Hitting Camp Session

- II (7th-12th graders) 5:30-7:30 p.m.;
- July 19 Skills Camp Session I (3rd-6th graders) 8-11 a.m.;
- Skills Camp Session II (7th-12th graders) 12:30- 4 p.m.;
- July 20 Special Pitching Camp for all ages two to five.

Camp cost is \$40 for Hitting and Skills Camp,

and additional \$30 for the Pitching Camp. Camp Brochures may be picked up at the front office of the high school or you may contact Coach Jarod Womack at 254-771-0025 or e-mail jwomack@saladoisd.org or Coach Doug Harrigan at 254-947-3255 or e-mail dharrigan@saladoisd.org for any further information.

CIS golf tourney July 12 at Mill Creek

The non-profit Communities in Schools (CIS) will hold its Fifth Annual Ken Morgan Invitational Golf Tournament July 12 at Mill Creek Country Club. The tournament will begin with an 8 a.m. shotgun start. The purpose is to help raise funds for CIS programs in services.

The program in Salado is located on all three campuses and has served over 150 students this year. The CIS in Salado also works closely with the Salado Family Relief Fund in assisting the needs of less-fortunate families in town. Entry fee is priced at \$90

per player, which includes green fees, cart and complimentary lunch following the tournament, which will be played in a scramble format. The tournament is limited to a maximum of 120 players. Businesses also have the opportunity at hole or golf cart sponsorships. Hole sponsorship is priced at \$200. Each hole sponsorship includes a complimentary player. Golf

cart sponsorship is priced at \$100. Cash prizes include \$300 for the first place team, \$250 for second place and \$200 for third place. For more information, contact Jessica Beyer, Site Director for Salado CIS, at the Intermediate School, 947-1700 through the month of June. After June, Beyer can also be reached at 718-0701.

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Food and nutrition order of the day at Bell Co. 4-H workshop

By RANDALL RAKOWITZ
Co. EXT. AGENT-4-H

A county-wide 4-H food and nutrition workshop will be held at Troy High School 1-4 p.m., June 26. If you like to eat, cook, want to learn more about the food and nutrition project or how to compete in the county 4-H food show, this is the workshop for you.

Youth attending will get to participate in "hands on" baking, will make "cookies in a jar," and learn more about 4-H food contests. Pre-registration and

a three dollar entry fee are due to the county Extension office by June 20.

A Photography workshop for 4-H members will be held June 25 beginning at 9:30 a.m. Portraits, Dark Room, Basic Composition, Know Your Camera, and Digital Photography will all be presented. A registration fee of \$10 per youth will be due to the County Extension office by June 17.

Congratulations to our newly elected county council officers for 2003-04. New officers are as follows: Chairman: Colt

Laws; 1st Vice Chairman: Jeffrey Roper; 2nd Vice Chairman: Coley Bruggman; Secretary: Rebecca Bulls; Treasurer: Leah Lankford; Public Relations: Elizabeth Ehrig; Recreation Leaders: Shelly White and Kelly Lisenbe; and Parliamentarian: Josh Burtchell.

4-H Swine project leaders take note. If you want to learn more about feeding and nutrition, swine health, basic genetics, facilities and environment, and have a desire to help 4-H swine project members, then the Texas 4-H

Master Swine Volunteer training is for you. This in-depth training for adults will be held August 15-17 at the Taylor County Extension Office in Abilene. Cost for the event is \$100 and is only open to adults.

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Creek has more to offer than vendors. The Texas Old Time Fiddler's contest is returning to Yettie Polk Park for the sixth year. Confederate Park will again be filled with the sounds of cheers and squeals from the Crabtree Amusements Carnival, and both parks will have musical entertainment

as well as fun and games throughout the day. The Festival is held in both Confederate and Yettie Polk Parks. Both parks are large, shady and located on Nolan Creek and are within walking distance of each other. Confederate Park has great visibility and access from IH-35, located one-

fourth of a mile south of Central Avenue. Yettie Polk Park is at the intersection of Central Avenue and Highway 317 (Main Street).

For information on becoming a vendor or entertainer for the Festival on Nolan Creek contact Julie Preston at (254) 939-3551 or email julie@beltonchamber.com.

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Ft Hood soldier died of fatal gunshot wound

A Fort Hood soldier died of a fatal gunshot wound June 7, in Tikrit, Iraq.

Pvt. Jesses M. Halling, 19, a military policeman with the 401st Military Police Company, was a native of Indianapolis, Ind. Halling was on duty at a military police station when his section received rifle-propelled grenade and small arms fire, according to a Department of Defense announcement.

Halling had been in the Army since Aug. 8, 2002, and had been assigned to Fort Hood since Feb. 11. The 401st Military Police Company left Fort Hood for Iraq around March 19. Halling's death is under investigation.

Scholarships awarded by Fort Hood June 2

Seventy-three military family members were awarded a total of \$60,000 in college scholarships at the Fort Hood Officers' Club, June 2.

Lt. Gen. Thomas F. Metz, III Corps and Fort Hood commander spoke to the students, spouses and soldiers about the importance of education, and then handed out the scholarships to each winner. "This is a turning point, a point in your life when you're motivated by a little monetary push. Education is very, very important, and I have been blessed to be educated by the U.S. military," said Metz.

Metz presented Kathy Freeman \$2,500, the highest scholarship awarded for the spouse category. Ryan Webster won the highest scholarship for the student category, which was also \$2,500.

"It's education that continues to move society forward," Metz said. He encouraged everyone to take advantage of the opportunity they've received to move on and push a little further.

Soldiers, local companies and organizations donated to the fund, and 70 percent of those who applied were awarded scholarships.

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Republican Women

meet 11:30 a.m. June 19

The Salado Area Republican Women will hold their monthly meeting 11:30 a.m. June 19 at Mill Creek Country Club. Highlighting the meeting will be Kay Matthews, Principal of Salado High School, who will be speaking on literacy.

For several years the local Salado club has donated books to the Salado public schools and to the public library as well as children's books to a local shelter.

Members and guests wanting to attend the June **Salado Republican Women sponsor art contest**

The Salado Area Republican Women are hosting a Youth Patriotic Art Contest for children and grandchildren of Salado residents.

Entries may be submitted until June 20 with judging by a committee from Salado Village Artists on June 24.

Media will be two dimensional, such as water colors, acrylics, pen and ink, collage or mixed media with a patriotic theme. Art work needs to be between 13-20 inches wide, and 13-20 inches tall and matted but not framed.

The levels of competition are ages: seven-nine, 10-12, 13-15, and 16-18.

The name, age and address of the artist or a Salado relative must be on the back. Art will be returned to a Salado address.

To deliver art or for more information, contact Bobbie Reihsen at (254) 947-3901.

Anti-jail petition available to sign June 13-15 at Temple Mall

A group of Bell County citizens will have a petition at Temple Mall this weekend for qualified votes in the county to sign to force a bond election for the proposed \$60 million jail and courts construction project.

The group will have the petition at the Temple Mall 10 a.m.-9 p.m. June 13-14 and noon-6 p.m. June 15.

According to volunteer Ron Welch, the group has over 1,600 of the 7,000 signatures of qualified Bell County voters necessary to force a bond referendum. The 7,000 signatures represent five percent of the 133,850 qualified voters living in Bell County.

For more information about the citizen effort to force the bond referendum, go to www.savebelton.com.

19 meeting need to make reservations by June 17 with Loretta Ruth at 947-8422 or cwr1957@juno.com. The luncheon cost is \$10 payable at the door and includes a buffet.

The cost is \$11 in advance and \$12 at the door. They are due by June 12.

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Summer is the season for lyme disease

Dear Dr. Donohue:
 Our daughter became sick during a visit to us last year. A large red spot appeared on her leg, and it grew in size. Lyme disease was suspected. When she returned to her home, blood tests indicated that she could have the disease, and she was treated with antibiotics. We would like to know more about Lyme disease and its treatment.

Answer: Lyme disease is an infection that peaks in the warm months, when the tick population is at its height. Ticks carry the germ that causes it.

Three to 32 days following the bite of an infected tick, people break out with a circular spot (or spots) that has a red border that keeps enlarging. The center of the spot generally turns pale. In addition to the rash, people feel exhausted and often have headaches and a rise in temperature. They can also experience joint and muscle pain.

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by Paul G. Donohue, M.D.



Those symptoms lessen, but weeks to months later, a new set of symptoms appears. One side of the face might droop, and the eye on that side stays opened. That condition is Bell's palsy, and it is one manifestation of the second stage of Lyme disease. Other nerve troubles are more common. In addition, the heart can become inflamed, and it might develop irregular beats. The rash seen in the first stage can come back.

The third stage of Lyme disease occurs weeks to years after the second stage, and its salient symptom is painful, swollen joints -- arthritis.

Lyme disease does not follow this script in all instances. One or two of the above symptoms might be its only signs.

Blood tests for Lyme disease must be interpreted with caution. They can be falsely positive or falsely negative. Two different tests should be done before declaring a diagnosis of Lyme disease.

Early antibiotic treatment can usually bring a cure. Some must contend with it for long stretches.

Dear Dr. Donohue: I live in the Deep South, and every summer I break out in a rash. The rash looks like a bunch of tiny blisters that sit on a red base. They burn and sting. Would you

hazard a guess as to what this might be and how I might treat it?

Answer: Your description fits the profile of prickly heat. Its medical name is miliaria, and it has a number of variations. Yours appears to be miliaria rubra. The "rubra" is thrown in because of the red base on which the small blisters sit.

Prickly heat comes from an occlusion of sweat ducts.

Air conditioning is the best treatment and preventative for it. Short of air conditioning, fans can fill in.

Anhydrous lanolin unclogs sweat ducts, and the pharmacist can direct you to brand names. A cool bath in which Aveeno colloidal oatmeal has been sprinkled is another way to relieve prickly heat.

If all this falls apart, then my diagnosis is wrong, and you must then see your doctor.

Exercising with allergies

Question: I suffer from severe allergies during the spring and summer months. My friend suggested that I might feel better if I worked out, even when I wasn't feeling well. Should I continue to work out if I am not feeling well due to my allergies?

Answer: Exercising when not feeling well, no matter what the condition, is an important decision only YOU can make. Many factors may influence your decision, and it is necessary to know your body and the concerns that come along with your allergies in order to make a wise choice.

For starters, ALWAYS listen to your body. If you are not able to conduct

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normal everyday tasks with ease, completing an hour-long spinning class may not then be the best decision. Often allergies carry the same type of symptoms as a cold or flu, such as headaches, sinus congestion, fatigue, sneezing and a slight fever. These symptoms can limit your ability to effectively complete your exercise program.

Worse, exercise might make your symptoms worse. As you exercise, your body temperature rises; if you're already running a fever, it will prob-

ably get worse.

On days when you're suffering these symptoms, you might consider scaling down your workout for that day or taking the day off. Light cardiovascular exercise or resistance training may be all you can do for that day, and that's fine. It is smart to take a day off in order to take care of yourself.

If you are taking medications for your allergies, take the time to review all of the side effects. Many allergy medications contain antihistamines that may make you drowsy

or dizzy. This could lead to potentially unsafe exercise conditions, such as when using the treadmill or dumbbells. Other medications may increase your heart rate and cause palpitations, headaches, back and abdominal pain, muscle tenderness, nausea or a sore throat. Although you may actually experience few or none of these side effects, you should be aware of the risks.

Suffering from allergies does not have to mean the end of exercising. Consult your physician and educate yourself of all possible risks when exercising and make a decision that will not only keep you on your road to fitness but also keep you safe.

Savor the flavor, milk

Mom always said, "Drink your milk." That was good advice then, and it's good advice now, whether you are a kid or just a kid-at-heart.

Yet 75 percent of Americans do not get the calcium from dairy foods they need to build and maintain strong bones and ward off chronic disease later in life.

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, milk consumption dropped 23 percent between 1970 and 1997, while soft drink consumption rose 118 percent for all Americans - children and adults, males

and females.

A new champion may be emerging in the battle of the beverage: flavored milk.

Kid friendly flavors such as banana, cookies-n-cream and very vanilla are gaining popularity among children of all ages, yet some parents worry that flavored milk doesn't offer the same nutrition package as plain milk.

"Flavored milk contains the same amount of calcium and other nutrients found in white milk, including the additional bone-building nutrients vitamin D and phosphorus, and most

come in fat-free, low fat, reduced-fat and even 'milkshake-like' styles," says Jan Newquist, registered dietitian with Dairy MAX.

A recent study published in the *Journal of the American Dietetic Association* suggests that flavored milk may be an ideal weapon to help battle the widespread calcium deficiencies among children and teens.

The researchers conclude that flavored milk can play a role in changing recent trends in children and teens' sugar-sweetened beverage intake and offer a nutritious alternative. Like

unflavored milks, all versions of flavored milks provide about 300 milligrams of calcium per serving.

Surveys suggest that kids will choose flavored milk over white milk nine to one, and many prefer flavored milk to sodas with school lunch, according to researchers. Studies also show that kids who drink flavored milk with lunch are more likely to meet their requirements for calcium, riboflavin and phosphorus.

Follow mom's sage advice, and drink your milk - flavored milk, that is.

Bond ladder can lift you above interest rate "Fog"

If you're a fixed-income investor, you'll eventually have to answer a key question: What should you do with bonds that mature when market interest rates are low?

You could, of course, reinvest your proceeds in bonds that pay lower interest rates. The down side of this choice is obvious: You'll receive less income. As an alternative, you could put the funds from your maturing bonds in a money market account until rates rise again, but that might take awhile - and, in the meantime, you will have almost certainly missed out on some better opportunities.

Here's a third option: Instead of worrying about the haze of interest-rate movements and how you should respond to them, consider an "all weather" fixed-income investment strategy. Specifically, think about building a "bond ladder."

To create a bond ladder, you invest in an array of short-, intermediate-, and long-term high-quality bonds. When rates are

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by Allen Mantanona



rising, you use the proceeds from maturing bonds to buy new bonds at the higher levels, thus increasing your portfolio's return. When market rates are falling, you'll continue to benefit from the higher rates offered by your longer-term bonds.

By building a bond ladder, you'll also receive other key benefits:

- **Reduced volatility** - When you construct a bond ladder, you achieve a degree of diversification in your fixed-income holdings. And diversification is important because bonds of varying maturities often react differently to interest rate changes and other market conditions.

- **Reduced interest-rate and reinvestment risk** - Both short-term and long-term bonds carry their own risks. If you own short-term

bonds, you incur "reinvestment risk" - the risk, described above, of having to reinvest matured bonds at a lower interest rate. And if you own long-term bonds, you face "interest-rate risk" - the risk that your bonds could lose value if interest rates rise. But when you build a bond ladder, your mix of bonds can lessen both these types of risk.

- **Increased investment discipline** - When you create a structured investment plan, such as a bond ladder, you'll help yourself stay true to your long-term goals. With your plan in place, you'll be far less likely to make changes based on short-term stimuli, such as sudden changes in interest rates.

- **Income stream suited to your needs** - By carefully structuring your bond

ladder in a way that generates interest payments that match your needs - e.g., higher in some months - you can help address some of your savings and budgetary concerns.

- **"Call" protection** - When market rates drop, many bond issuers decide to "call" their bonds early - that is, they repay the principal so they can reissue bonds at lower rates. As a bondholder, these calls could work to your disadvantage. But if you have a diversified bond portfolio, such as that found in a bond ladder, you can build in a variety of call dates, so that you won't be hit all at once with a number of calls.

If you knew exactly where rates are heading, you'd always be able to make the right fixed-income investment moves. But since nobody can really "see through the clouds" to accurately predict the direction of interest rates, you're far better off by dropping out of the "guessing game" altogether. Or, better yet, climb out - with a bond ladder.

Toyota of Killeen hosts "Women at the Wheel" program June 12

Toyota of Killeen will host a program, "Women at the Wheel" to teach women the basics of auto maintenance, 6:30-9 p.m. June 12, at Toyota of Killeen, 4001 East Central Texas Expressway.

Mary Jackson, best-selling author of the "Car Smarts," a layperson's

guide to automobiles, will conduct the session.

"Women at the Wheel" is a free, nationwide touring car care clinic. Its aim is to educate, empower and entertain women car owners.

Some of the topics covered include:

- Finding an honest

repair shop

- Speak "garage-ese"
- Regularly check oil, windshield wiper coolant recovery fluid levels
- How to properly hook up jumper cables
- Recognizing the signals and warning signs of low brake levels, and
- How to examine tire

tread levels and assess whether tire rotation or replacement is necessary

Reservations for the seminar are limited, and it is asked that children be left at home. There is no cost to attend. For reservations or questions, call 254-690-5800.

Businesses greet educators

School has just recessed for a short summer break but Salado businesses are already making plans for the next school year. Merchants, Restaurateurs and Innkeepers in Salado are in the planning stages for a Grand Salute to Educators to "kick off" the 2003-2004 academic year. The event is scheduled for Aug. 30 when 20,000 educators from public and private schools, colleges and universities in Bell and Williamson Counties will be greeted with thousands of dollars in gifts to be given by Salado businesses. In addition to the gift drawings, shopping and dining discounts will be enjoyed throughout the day.

Information detailing

the event will be in the hands of school superintendents and university presidents by August 1 and posted in campus workrooms and offices by mid-August when faculty and staff arrive.

Salado school superintendent, Dr. Robin Battershell, has been instrumental in assisting the Salado businesses who are organizing the event. Dr. Battershell will be writing a letter to fellow superintendents to invite their administration, faculty and staff to attend this special day in Salado.

Sponsors for this event are busy contacting Salado businesses with event and registration information. Telephone inquiries may be directed to event sponsors:

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 - 11 Lloyd Webber musical
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 - 21 Convent cubicle
 - 22 African Revolutionary War heroine?
 - 24 Hunt's "— Ben Adhem"
 - 25 Wells' creatures
 - 26 Stun
 - 27 Author Follett
 - 28 Actress Massen
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 - 30 Nobelist Wiesel
 - 33 Operetta composer
 - 37 — out (eradicate)
 - 39 African sitcom?
 - 44 Actress Talia
 - 45 Relished a roast
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 - 47 Grind
 - 49 — cotta
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 - 57 Belfry sound
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 - 62 LAX letters
 - 63 Desire
 - 64 Botanist Gray
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 - 69 Roll-call reply
 - 70 Cozy
 - 71 Swiss sight
 - 72 African appetizer?
 - 74 Crevel tool
 - 76 European capital
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 - 80 Wonderful
 - 81 Conductor Queler
 - 82 Like a raisin
 - 83 — deco
 - 85 Lodge
 - 86 Part of MPH
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 - 88 Infantry action
 - 91 Cosmetician Lauder
 - 95 Take the honey and run
 - 97 Walker's "The — Purple"
 - 99 Pat on the buns?
 - 101 Sign a contract
 - 102 Declaim
 - 104 Start of an African anthem?
 - 108 Nasty
 - 109 Puccini's "— Lescaut"
 - 110 Secure the ship
 - 111 Scoundrels
 - 112 Cow's cry
 - 114 LP successors
 - 117 Most minute
 - 121 Potpourri
 - 122 British buggy
 - 124 African movie theme song?
 - 127 Wise — owl
 - 128 Turner or Wood
 - 129 Aromatic plant
 - 130 Mrs. Charlie Chaplin
 - 131 Looney Tunes critter
 - 132 In addition
 - 133 Salem's state
 - 134 Manipulates
- DOWN**
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 - 2 Smith or Sandler
 - 3 Actress Negri
 - 4 Much valued
 - 5 "Bali —"
 - 6 Select, with "for"
 - 7 Pinion's partner
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 - 9 Chinese Olympic skater
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 - 11 Security grp.
 - 12 Ann —, MI
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 - 14 Court sport
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 - 16 Knock for — (astonish)
 - 17 Skirt feature
 - 21 One of the Borgias
 - 23 Soccer superstar
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 - 32 Parisian pronoun
 - 34 TV's "The — of Night"
 - 35 Card collection
 - 36 Actress Alicia
 - 38 Deed
 - 39 Shorten a slat
 - 40 Actress Hagen
 - 41 Tierra — Fuego
 - 42 Connecticut campus
 - 43 Grabbed
 - 44 Start wool gathering
 - 48 Mall madness
 - 50 Upshot
 - 51 Proverb
 - 53 It'll give you a weigh
 - 54 Jackrabbit, for one
 - 56 O'Hara homestead
 - 58 Settle a score
 - 61 Go to bed
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Billy Golding
Erin Mattocks
Brie Taylor
Matt Holdampf
Cody Lankford
Haley Williams
Fabian Saucedo
Dale Clement
Taylor Cromwell
Eric McGregor
Cameron Masson
Christian Masson
Jose Perez
Cheyenne Pyle
Jaron Sundberg
Brandon Womac
Jessica Armas
Sam Barrett
Barton Cheatham
Bryce Martin
Paige Meritt
Sean Moore
Dillon Passage
Mattie Price
Meredith Ward
Kaci Wells
Cody Baxter
Anna Buchele
Jonathan Chick
Aron Fraire
Johnny Goode
Hannah Kelarek
Madison Kelley
Cameron Kirchmeier
Josh Oyler
John Pegues
Kylie Robinson
Mildred Tonchez
Jacey Roberts

2nd Grade

"A-B" Honor Roll

Shelby Boniface
Cooper Cox
Amber Monk
Gustavo Ortiz
Taylor Rosenau
Albin Timm
Rebecca Anderson
Lani Barton
Dustin Brown
Lucas Cooper
Marcene Grimsley
Liza Spurlock
Kyle Suhling
Morgan Taylor
Coby Giniewicz
Tom Kyle
Megan Mattson
Josie Norman
Joshua Robinson
Zachary Robinson
Alex DeLeon
Patrick Murray
Courtney Sloan
Candice Catlett

3rd Grade

"A" Honor Roll

Cameron Smith
Kyle Bradley
Austin Silva
Cole Goodrum
Koby Spears
George Romfh
Kori Norman
Kaycie Davidson
Taylor Marburger
Jada Kornegay
Cody Goodman
Lorna Payne
Jace Rex
Austin Armstrong
Helena Carroll
Tyler Dale
Kelsey Palomino
Cara Langford

3rd Grade

"A-B" Honor Roll

Johnny Jordan
Michael Sellers
Valeria Licea
Brenna Sirois
Hannah Seaton
Stephanie Lastovica
Payton Montgomery
Kelly Jimenez
Cade Benoit
Megan Walker
Nicholas Castillo
Rebecca Moffatt
Teresa Pinkerton
Rachel Piatt
Stephanie Shuler
Christine Shilling

Tori Sellers

Leah Ray
Kaycee Patterson
Elaina Magee
Joe Owens
Colton Meiman
Max Hazzard
Triston Morales
Beau Briggs
Taylor Coleman
Chelsea Rank

4th Grade

"A" Honor Roll

Camryn Bintz
Jacob Brank
Ryan Burden
Paul Chavez
Hannah Goode
Audley Miles
Shauna Miller
Brennan Boydston
Shelby Cecil
Jacob Heiner
Braxton Tucker
Jacob Cahoon
Rachel Pinkerton
Tyndal Schreiner
Jenna Sebek
Connor Smith
Kandace Little
Sarah Boysen
Megan Harvell
Raven Hojnacki
Kelsey Ortiz
Hunter Ward
Max Care
Schuyler Dale
Brittney Frazier
Kristina Ramos
Morgan Van Winkle

4th Grade

"A-B" Honor Roll

Jessica Kalinoski
Rachel Spinks
Hadley Joiner
Chris Quinn
Stephen Sniggs
Katy Clark
Bernie Briggs
Mayra DeLuna
Alaura Eagan
Cody Monk
Ryan Suresh
Desiree Smith
Jessica Rodriguez
Jeffrey Care
Taylor Caldwell
Kalyn Dunks
Billi Pipes
Lexy Willis
Andrew Cospere
Logan Haire
Logan Jackson
Colton Norman
Janson Oyler
Hailee Pipes
Lucas Wooley
Paige Zulauf

5th Grade

"A" Honor Roll

Joshua Alpha
Grace Buchele
Jessica Daniel
Reed Farr
Jessica Ferrell-Raborn
Isabel Garcia
Brandon Heller
Haley Kemp
Alex Lincoln
Ashley Lincoln
Katherine Lister-Atmar
Hannah Lyon
Sindel McDaniel
Caroline Payne
Rebecca Petro
Jayni Sierra
Zoe Simpson
Gregory Tischler
Trenton Waggon

5th Grade

"A-B" Honor Roll

Ashlee Arnold
Taylor Cockrell
Jason Conner
Mindi Dunnahoo
Brittany Finger
Sarah Foster
Coral Fraire
Lauren Giniewicz
Grant Hancock
Kyle Hartman
Robert Hendrick
Caleb Little
Chelsea Lomprey
Jace Maldonado
Lindsay Martin
Mallory Ming

Jackleene Montoya

Lupe Perez
Rachel Phillips
Paul Pinkston
Cole Raley
Vonnice Rodriguez
Audrey Roe
Hope Saucedo
Cody Stineman
Kurstyn Sundberg
Elliott Tantillo
Sissy Timm
Luis Toledo
Rachel Van Hoozer
Jessica Walker
Boomer Wells
Heather Williams
Tristin Williams

6th Grade

"A" Honor Roll

Reta Buckley
Jordan Dunn
Abby Frazier
Molly Heuer
Morgan Kelly
Richard Patterson
Jon Spinks
Garret Ward
Preston Watkins
Kylee Young

6th Grade

"A-B" Honor Roll

Kimberli Barton
Beau Benoit
Reta Buckley
Ashlee Cantrell
Lindsey Coffey
Tyler Collins
Katy Constanancio
Sarah Cook
Bryce Dunks
Jordan Dunn
James Ervi
Jenna Ferrell-Raborn
Abby Frazier
Molly Heuer
Brad Hollas
Morgan Kelly
Travis Kemp
Maegan Kincheloe
Sally Kitzman
C.J. Little
Juanita Magadan
Amanda Mattson
Matthew Ming
Marylyn Mitchell
Chello Ortiz
Caitlyn Oyler
Richard Patterson
Kaleigh Rank
Taylor Reed
Dara Schiller
Megan Seaton
Maria Sierra
Jon Spinks
Jacob Spurlock
Karen Volck
Mathew Walker
Garret Ward
Preston Watkins
Clayton Weatherly
Clayton Whitmire
Jenny Wiggin
Kelsey Williamson
Aaron Woodruff
Amy Wooley
Kylee Young

7th Grade

"A" Honor Roll

Jelsea Brank
Joshua Bush
Joshua Coleman
Lauren Culver
Sarah Dowell
Gene Drake
Matthew Fritsch
Jonas Goode
Lauren Haire
Alex House
Nicholas Mohammed
Kamylle Palomino
Sara Sebti
Kristen Smith
Tamra Stanish
Reena Suresh
Adela Toledo

7th Grade

"A-B" Honor Roll

David Aguilar
Paul Boston
Jelsea Brank
Tyler Burden
Joshua Bush
Dallas Butts
Daniel Champion
Kasey Cockrell
Joshua Coleman
Seth Collins
Lauren Culver
Sarah Dowell
Gene Drake
Matthew Fritsch
Leopoldo Galvan
Jonas Goode
Karleigh Goodnight
Lauren Haire
Blake Heller
Amanda Hoffman
Alex House
Kevin Jackson
Dennis Jordan
JD Kinsey
Kayla Kirchmeier
Cory Langford
Breanne Marks
Sterling Martin
Alyssa Mitchell
Nicholas Mohammed
Kamylle Palomino
Zoni Perry
Valeria Rangel
Eric Santoya
Sara Sebti
Kourtney Singleton
Colin Smith
Kristen Smith
Ryan Smith
Tamra Stanish
Reena Suresh
Angelia Tobar
Adela Toledo
Amanda Willey

8th Grade

"A" Honor Roll

Magan Bradshaw
Jamie Burson
Ken Hora
Larissa Ingalsbe
Leigh Martin
Jacob Meritt
Sara Moffatt
Thomas Schatte
Crystal Schoellmann
Ariel Simpson

8th Grade

"A-B" Honor Roll

Shea Arias
Brandi Boydston
Magan Bradshaw
Jamie Burson
Jessica Byrd
Joshua Caldwell
Lane Cryar
Chelsea Ervi
Justine Ferrell-Raborn
Alonso Galvan
Brittany Gilchrest
Kelsey Gobin
Maria Gonzales
Blake Hancock
Ken Hora
Larissa Ingalsbe
Jeanette Inocencio-Handorf
Misael Jaimes
Denise Jasso
Jonathan Kendall
Westin Koiner
Justin Konzen
Rebecca Lyssy
Leigh Martin
Jacob Meritt
Sara Moffatt
Blake Newman
Thomas Pappas
Adam Patton
Stephen Quick
Molly Rooney
Thomas Schatte
Crystal Schoellmann
Tavonn Shafie

Jessica Shumate

Roseleia Sierra
Ariel Simpson
Nathan Sitz
Madison Slagel
Stephanie Stineman
Brittany Tucker
Araceli Urquiza
Trey Yarbrough
Trevor Young

9th Grade

"A" Honor Roll

Grant Boston
Jacob Brown
Kristopher Califano
Justin Cox
Brittany Dixon
Wesley Dowell
Slayton Ebeling
Gerald Flynn
Kathryn Holdampf
Kirsten Singleton
Heather Stevens

9th Grade

"A-B" Honor Roll

Garrett Askins
Lacey Bartlett
Brian Bates
Mattie Billington
Curtis Converse
Jacquelin Drake
Elizabeth Dunlap
Tiffany Easley
Mark Gentry
Seth Hale
Rachel Hargrove
Nathan Houston
Sylvia Ingalsbe
Shae Janda
Travis Kemp
Amanda Koiner
Ines Min
Federico Ortiz
Juan Perez
Maria Perez
Brandon Peters
Kasey Pruett
Crystal Saucedo
Joshua Shaw
Kelsey Smith
Craig Sniggs
Michael Spinks

10th Grade

Christina Tichenor
Michael Tracy
Joshanna Washburn
Sherry Weatherly
Jessica Whitmire
Heather Winters
Lindsey Wright

10th Grade

"A" Honor Roll

Rachel Blodgett
Brittany Boydston
Matthew Caskey
Valerie Clark
Virginia Ewton
Jennifer Goode
Lauren Hogwood
Micah Malone
Jacob Mewhinney
Alyssa Powell
Rebekah Quick
Jessica Roberts
Elise Sharum
Savannah Slagel
Jaclyn Welsh
Kristen Womac
Lauralee Young

10th Grade

"A-B" Honor Roll

Claudia Benavides
Kristi Billington
Stella Butts
Christopher Campbell
Travis Clark
Zachary Coffman
Brian Fetterman
Sarah Gentry
Dewayne Hampton
Randal Jackson
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Stephanie Kinsey
Ashley Leifester

Jack Lucas

John Lyssy
Douglas Mackie
Joseph Shumate
Darron Sniggs
Melissa Soto
Jonathan Spence
Regy Suresh
Jacob Williams
Scott Williams
Sofia Willingham
Laramie Wilson

11th Grade

"A" Honor Roll

Vanessa Byrd
Paige Cameron
Laramie Jackson
Johnna Konzen
Pamela Newman
Joshua Scism

11th Grade

"A-B" Honor Roll

Scott Bates
Victoria Castillo
Thomas Copeland
Grant Cospere
Lance Cox
Peter Culin
Tiffany Dixon
Reba Donaldson
Trisha Gaus
Melissa Gilpin
Nathan Grigsby
Angela Hogwood
Michelle Houston
Hannah Landrum
Leah Lankford
Olivia Lara
Rachael Oaks
Shane Pipes
Alicia Raley
Sean Rex
Margarito Rodriguez
Kevin Santoya
Sabine Schott
Chase Simpson
Evan Smith
Mallory Snelson
Amanda Tucker
Allen Tyson
Staci York

12th Grade

"A" Honor Roll

Shelia Arnold
Natalie Clark
Andrea Correa
Sara Culver
Nicole Foster
Katherine Herrick
Nathan Jackson
Tabitha Lawson
Emily Lilly
Ashley Lummus
Lauren Mewhinney
Narissa Mohammed
Chelsea Norman
Cody Quirk
Olga Urquiza
Waylon Wendler
Tiffany Young

12th Grade

"A-B" Honor Roll

Christina Bailey
Ryon Clifton
Glen Coleman
Frederic DePrez
Evan Durham
David Faber
Jenna Fritsch
Evan Gillespie
Chad Gray
Heath Hale
Keri Hansen
Lisa Hatter
Stephen Hayes
Bryan Johnston
Meagan Joiner
Kelcie Keating
Erin Lummus
Heather McLaughlin
Mary Murchison
Heather Perry
Keri Pruett
Lindsey Pruitt
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Village to have playground by Fall

The Village of Salado will soon have its very first children's playscape, according to Alderman Rick Ashe.

In an update on the playground's progress, Ashe stated that a vendor has been selected, as well as the equipment that will be used in the playground. Three companies had bids on the job, each within a few hundred dollars of one another.

"The Village will be ordering the equipment in the next few weeks, with a set up date after October 1, 2003," Ashe stated. "The delay is due to the fiscal year. Part of the money will come out of this year's budget, with the rest coming out of next year's."

Ashe has estimated the total cost of the playground

to be over \$28,000. For the current fiscal year, the city budgeted \$10,000 for the project. Looking ahead to fiscal year 2003-2004, the city has agreed to set aside \$15,000. To date, approximately \$6,700 in funds have been raised privately. Half of the playground's total cost is due at the time of order, according to Ashe.

Various groups within the Village have taken an interest in the park as well. "The Salado PALS group has offered to build the retaining wall around the playground, using stone and creating an artistic look to the wall," said Ashe. "They also have a special plan for the park that they will talk about when they are ready." Ashe also said the local



Children decorate tiles to be used in the future Village playground.

Boy Scouts will assist with work on the playground, and that the possibility of naming the park is also being considered.

The Salado MOMS Club, which has raised the lionshare of the private funds at hand, will be selling tiles for the playground June 14 in front of Brookshire Brothers. The tiles are \$25 a piece and can

be decorated by child or adult, in any way desired.

Pictures of the proposed playground are available to view at the Municipal Building.

The playground will be located within Pace Park. Questions, concerns or donations can be addressed through Alderman Ashe by calling the Village office, 947-5060.

Award winning folklorist, novelist Harrell Clark to appear at Salado Book Fair August 2

The second annual Salado Book Fair will be held 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Aug. 2 at the Stagecoach Convention Center.

Among the award-winning authors present will be folklorist and novelist Laverne Harrell Clark, of Smithville, Texas.

Clark is the author of seven books of fiction and non-fiction, each of which is illustrated with her own photos, including "Keepers of the Earth," a novel which won the 1998 "Medicine Pipe" or "Best First Novel"

award from Western Writers of America.

"Keepers of the Earth" is set in the 1960s, in the fictitious Central Texas town of Colorado Banks, and incorporates much of the folklore Clark learned as an undergraduate and young child. Anne Morris of the *Austin American Statesman* wrote, when reviewing the book, "Her character Cefus—one of the last of his kind—had learned hoodoo and conjuring as a disciple to Daddy Fee, who had learned it from

his granddaddy, who was brought as a slave to Louisiana from the West Coast of Africa. The book is filled with Cefus' using his powers to fend off evil. (For example, Cefus creates a "luck ball" using the tip of a coachwhip's tail, thread and tinfoil to save his nephew from harm)."

The plot of the book is centered around the drilling of oil in small Colorado Banks, and the greed and intrigue that accompany it.

Clark is a former professor of writing at the Uni-

versity of Arizona, and is married to L.D. Clark, a well-respected and distinguished author and scholar in his own right.

She was the founding director of the University of Arizona's poetry centre, and served in that role for 30 years. She is also an acclaimed photographer, having captured the images of some 500 contemporary writers and poets.

For more information about the Salado Book Fair, call James V. Lee at 947-0080 or e-mail lee@saladopress.com.

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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.

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

What's happening here?

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 16

Public Arts Committee meeting 9 a.m. at the Civic Center.

JUNE 17

Public hearing, Village of Salado Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee, 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. Public encouraged to attend.

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 4

Salado Village Voice office closed. Advertising deadline for July 9 issue: 12 noon July 2.

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JULY 12

Communities in Schools 5th Annual Golf Tournament, at Mill Creek. Benefitting CIS programs. Call 947-1700 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 13

First day of school for teachers.

AUGUST 16

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AUGUST 18

First day of school for students.

SEPTEMBER 1

Salado Village Voice office closed. Advertising deadline for Sept. 3 issue: 12 noon Aug. 28.

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

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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.

SEPT. 27

Chisholm Trail ABWA Style Show, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Celebration Center. 947-9000 for info.

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.

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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Cast and crew of Salado Legends

Tablerock's outdoor musical drama, **Salado Legends**, has announced the cast and crew for this year's 11th presentation on July 19, July 26 and Aug. 2.

Tablerock's Good-night Amphitheater is located on Royal Street, three blocks east from downtown Salado.

Brandon Baca, a Copperas Cove graduate, who has been accepted to Sul Ross in Alpine, Texas this fall, will play the lead role of Andrew McIver. Kathryn Davidson, Senior at Belton High School, will play the lead role of Lucy McDougal.

Dale and Anita Allen of Waco, Texas, will appear in the roles of Angus and Dora McDougal; Charles Clark, from Copperas Cove, a veteran

of many Tablerock productions will appear in the role of Cam McDougal. Robert Cortes, a seven year-old from Salado, will appear for the third season in the role of Douglas McDougal.

Rebecca Petro, a Salado sixth grader and three year veteran of Salado Legends, was cast as Emmaline McDougal. Megan Seaton, a Salado 6th grader, will understudy the role of Emmaline and portray of the Chalk children. Howard Horton, a Professor at UMHB will appear for the sixth season as Sam Houston.

Greg Manning from Salado will appear for the third season as Malcolm Ross. Susan Lee from Baylor University in Waco, will make her Legends' debut as Texas this season.

Understudy for the Texas role will be Jill Vander-Heydn of Salado and play Mrs. Barton. Michelle Clark, U.T. Austin drama major, will play Bonnie Belle Posey for her 4th season. Dave Jackson, from Yukon Oklahoma, will play Tonweya for his ninth season.

The cast, crew, sponsors and helpers, comprised of over 200 people from all over Central Texas include: Krista Lofland from Belton, Sadie Lou Chalk; Jessica Lynch from Copperas Cove, Mrs. Orgain; Donnie and Bridget Williams from Salado will play Mr. and Mrs. Ira Chalk; Megan Seaton, Hannah Seaton, Katy Constango and Greg Tishler all from Salado will play the Chalk children; Reverend Eli Sali-

nas from Salado, Mr. Levi Tenney; Theresa Hernandez from Killeen, Mrs. Tenney; Elizabeth and Katy Combs from Florence as the Tenney children; Stephanie Hood from Salado, Mrs. Sterling Robertson; Keith McCormack from Belton, Mr. Sterling Robertson;

Richard Combs from Florence, David Schetat and Jessie Holley from Belton as the Robertson children; Randy Lucas from Salado as Mr. Orgain; Sarah Combs as the Orgain child; Hillary Mighell from Copperas Cove as Mrs. Pace; William Edward Davidson Jr. from Belton as Mr. Pace; Christina, Stephanie and Katriana Fajtik and Ashley Wallace from Jarrell, and Zoni Perry from Salado as Pace Children;

Chuck Clark from Kempner as Mr. McGregor; Rose Schoellmann from Salado as Mrs. McGregor; William Davidson III - Belton, John Schoellmann-Salado, Brian Combs-Florence, Jack Lucas from Salado, Bennett Borden from Moody, Trent Weaver from Waco, Brandon Evans and Tim Stewart from Copperas Cove, Steve Bach-

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05/05	Criminal trespass warning	Thomas Arnold
05/06	Cruelty to animals	Spotted Horse
05/08	Theft over \$50 under \$1,500	Oak Tree Dr.
05/08	Criminal trespass	IH 35 South
05/08	Criminal trespass warning	FM 1670
05/09	Unauthorized use of a vehicle	W. Amity
05/09	Theft of gas	Robertson Rd.
05/09	Disorderly conduct (abusive language)	Thomas Arnold
05/11	Civil dispute	FM 2843
05/17	Civil dispute	FM 2843
05/19	Assault with bodily injury	Catfish Rd.
05/19	Burglary of a building	Hester Way
05/24	Civil dispute	FM 2843
05/24	Criminal trespass	IH 35 South
05/27	Credit card abuse	Robertson Rd
05/28	Theft over \$1,500 under \$20,000	Rose Lane
05/28	Harassment by communication	Cedar Valley Rd.
05/30	Criminal trespass	N. Stagecoach
05/30	Stalking	FM 2843
05/30	Theft of livestock	Salado School Rd.

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Salado Legends

man from Georgetown, Douglas Mackie, Crystal Schoellmann and C.J. Little from Salado all play McGregor children;

Robert Cortes Jr. from Salado, Dr. Barton and Spanish explorer; Jill Vaneder-Heydn from Salado as Mrs. Barton; Terry Crawford from Harker Heights as Rev. R. S. Crawford; Robert Crawford from San Antonio as Crawford's Child; Tony Blisard from Temple as Mr. Griffith; Audry Perry from Salado as Mrs. Griffith, Sarah Sanderford from Belton, Ann McLeod and Brandy Gladwell from Killeen, Elaine Davis from Copperas Cove, Rachel Bachman from Georgetown, Anna Kelley from Holland and Lindsey Blisard from Temple will all play the Griffith Giggles; Sam Middlebrooks from Killeen as Capt. Halley;

Barbara Bachman from Georgetown as Mrs. Halley; Alexis and Jake Bloomer from Salado as the Halley children; Ed Gustina as Mr. Aiken and Candice Williams as Miss Willingham are from Salado; John Coleman from Moody as Byron Bunker; Greg Manning from Salado as Malcolm

Ross; Ted Babb from Waco as Mr. Willingham; Buckey Price and William Davidson Jr. as Surveyors.

The Tonkawa Indians in **Salado Legends** are as follows: Miles Ellis from Holland, Chief of the Tonkawas; Jordan Jackson from Yukon, Oklahoma and Rose Lester from Salado as Sirena; Jessica Keeney from Salado as Konina; Anna Combs from Florence as Wildflower; Olivia Combs from Florence as Blanca; Chaniel Manning from Salado as Evening Star; Jon McHaney as Red Hawk and Kay Salinas as Agua, all from Salado. Ty McLeod from Killeen as Spirit.

The crew members are: Jackie Mills from Salado, Playwright/Director; Chuck Clark from Kempner, Battle Director; Robert Combs from Florence, Stage Manager; Stephanie Bennet-Calhoun from Gym Kix in Killeen, Choreographer; John Gigilotti from Marble Falls, Sound Manager; David Dunlap from Salado and Gary Combs from Waco, Assistant Sound Managers.

All from Salado are: J.R. Schwake-Lights,

Denver Mills-Sets; Suzanne Petro and Kim Little-Costumes; Jay and Darlina Lofland from Belton and Justin Reed from Copperas Cove on spot lights;

J.D. Evans from Copperas Cove - Lights; Cathy Baca from Killeen and Reeva Richardson from Copperas Cove as Back Stage Managers; Rodney Lester from Salado will be Outside Stage Manager/Pyro; Pat Clark from Kempner is in charge of Filming and Gift Concessions; Lissa Combs from Florence will organize Handouts;

Terri and Chris Seaton, Randy and Kim Bloomer, Craig and Kim Little and Cathy Constanancio from Salado will take Food Tickets; Anne Sandeford from Belton, Cathy Lucas and Melba Tischler from Salado, Dave Baca from Copperas Cove, and Deanna Fojtek from Jarrell will take Gate Tickets; Theresa Hernandez from Killeen is Makeup Artist; Dick and Carol Curtis from Troy will drive the Wagon and Carriage;

Charles Evans from Salado created the Web Page; Aunt Bonnie Velten, Sally Askins, Betty Middlebrooks and Jackie Mills

From 3B

are Wardrobe Seamstress; Sherry Davidson is Troubleshooter and in charge of Tee Shirt orders.

Salado Legends' catered dinner before the show is optional. You do need reservations for dinner. Adult show tickets are \$15. Children show tickets are \$5. The dinner is \$8 for adults or children.

Tickets may be purchased in Salado at Fletcher's Books and Antiques, The Salado Mansion and The First State Bank with cash or check. Compass Bank in Belton, Salado and Temple will sell tickets by cash or check.


Tickets are sold by cash or credit card (in person) at ITR (Fort Hood) or at Renaissance Records (Fort Hood Road) in Killeen. You may purchase tickets with cash at HEB's in Georgetown, Pflugerville, Round Rock and Austin. You may charge tickets via phone from Texas Box Office at 1-512-477-6060.

To charge tickets over the internet: www.texasboxoffice.com For group tickets for 20 or more people call 1-254-947-9205 or write to Tablerock, PO Box 312, Salado, TX 76571 for rates.

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Harvested wheat plots in Temple

By JAMES M. DAVIS
COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT- AG

On May 24 we harvested the wheat variety plots which were planted November 15 on W. C. Evans' farm, located on FM 93 south of Temple.

The yields were actually better than anticipated considering the amount of Septoria and rust disease that many of the varieties showed in early April. The dry weather during April and May completely shut the diseases down and allowed the varieties to mature.

However, the varieties which had the lowest disease ratings did yield the best and the varieties with the poorest disease rating yielded the least as expected. The plot contained seven hard red winter wheat varieties and eight soft red winter wheat

varieties.

The following yields are raw data without correcting for moisture and field variation which will change the yields slightly when adjusted to the check variety. However, all the moistures were close and the check variety variance was small enough, the rankings of the varieties will change only slightly if any at all.

In the hard wheat varieties, Sturdy 2K came in top at 40.5 bushels per acre. This is not the same Sturdy we planted in the 70's and early 80's. Like the old Sturdy, the Sturdy 2K is a rather late maturing variety which lengthens the rust susceptibility but would avoid freeze damage. Second ranking hard wheat was Ogallala at 33.1 bushels per acre. Early the Ogallala had a poor Septoria rating but a

good rust rating. The third ranking hard wheat was Custer at 31.5 bushels per acre. Custer did show significant Septoria and rust damage early. The fourth ranked hard wheat was Coronado at 31.4 bushels per acre. Coronado also had poor ratings for disease and rust in early April.

The fifth ranked hard wheat was 2180. The 2180 variety has been around many years and yielded 30.5 bushels per acre in this year's plot. TAM400 came in sixth at 25.8 bushels per acre and it along with TAM302 which yielded 23.5 bushels per acre had the poorest disease ratings of the entire plot.

In the soft red winter wheat plots, Mason and Pioneer 25R57 had the best disease resistance of either the hard or soft wheat varieties. The

Mason yielded 52.0 bushels per acre and Pioneer 25R57 made 51.7 bushels per acre. This exhibits how much disease can affect yield. The third ranked soft wheat was Natchez at 43.0 bu/ac. Natchez had a moderate rating for both rust and Septoria. The following are the yields for the remainder of the soft wheats: Coker 9663: 31.6 bu/ac; Coker 9543: 29.0 bu/ac; Coker 9152: 28.3 bu/ac; Pioneer 25R18: 27.1 bu/ac; and Coker 9474: 20.5 bu/ac.

We wish to thank W. C. Evans for planting and harvesting the plots for us this year and Agri-Pro Seeds and Joe Hughes for furnishing the weigh wagon to weigh the plots. Without their help we would not be able to gather this information for Central Texas wheat producers.



The first in a series of Wednesdays in the Park, was held June 4. Fairy Tale Puppets were made by children in grades first through fourth. Wednesdays in the Park, is held 10:30-noon each Wednesday during the month of June. This program is sponsored by Salado ISD and is free of charge to children. For more information call (254) 947-5479.

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ers, giant twister, hop-scotch, jump rope, and relay races;

• June 25 - Cooking Day (Create your own): salad, pizza, ice cream, place settings;

• July 2 - Beauty and Spa Day: make-up, hair, nails, and facials;

• July 9 - Art Day: design t-shirts, create collages, paint a flowerpot, design jewelry; and

• July 16 - Drama Day: skits, improvisation, create stories, learn a new language.

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Floyd County's Veterans Memorial

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The veterans memorial in Floydada is not only a tribute to Floyd County people who served in the Armed Forces, but also a tribute to the dedication and resourcefulness of a teenage boy.

When Skyler Cornelius, then a sophomore in high school, was traveling with his family he noticed a monument to veterans in the small community of Benjamin, population 264. Skyler was impressed that a place so small would have such a fine memorial. He thought if Benjamin could do it, Floydada could.

With the help of his mother, Skyler contacted the folks in Benjamin and other cities that had similar monuments and found out what companies built the granite structures. He called the Willis Granite Company in Granite, OK and laid out his plans for one in Floydada. He said he wanted to put the names of all the men and women

in Floyd County who had ever served in the military and had an honorable discharge. He figured he needed enough space for about 2,000 names. The company said it would cost about \$20,000.

Skyler submitted his design for the monument and apparently it was more elaborate than the company first thought. The price tag shot up to \$60,000. It didn't phase Skyler one bit. He kept going to different places, making speeches about the monument, seeking donations. He contacted news media all over the South Plains and they went to Floydada and interviewed Skyler about his project.

The newspaper in Floydada ran front page stories about the effort to raise money. The paper urged people who had been in the military to send in their information and make a donation if they so desired.

Skyler got the idea for the monument around Vet-

erans Day in 2001. He wanted it finished by November 11, 2002. He envisioned a huge dedication ceremony on that date.

The enthusiasm for the monument spread like wildfire. Skyler and his mother carefully logged all the names, making sure to get the correct spelling. The project had a board of directors composed of 28 school kids and 25 adults. By July, 2002, \$61,000 had been donated.

The names kept multiplying and soon there were 4,000, double the number first expected.

Skyler called the monument company again and

told them he needed a bigger one. The monument company said he needed to raise \$30,000.

"It was kind of a let-down, but it was also encouraging that we had that many people serving in the military," says Skyler. "Some of them date back to the Civil War."

The donations totaled \$93,000. Not a single fund raiser was held. Four thousand people attended the dedication on the court house square last November 11. That's more than the population of Floydada.

Skyler will be a senior in Floydada High School in the fall.



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Midnight Cake

Melba Kattner

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|--------------------|----------------------|
| 1/2 cup shortening | 1/2 tsp. salt |
| 1-1/4 cup sugar | 1 tsp. baking soda |
| 2 eggs | 1 tsp. baking powder |
| 1 cup hot water | 1 tsp. vanilla |
| 1/2 cup cocoa | 1 cup pecans |
| 1-1/2 cup flour | |

Cream shortening and sugar. Blend in beaten eggs. Mix hot water and cocoa until smooth; add alternately with mixture of flour, salt, baking soda and baking powder. Add vanilla and pecans, if desired. May be baked in an 8 inch square pan, or an 8x11 inch pan, or a loaf pan at 350 degrees for 50 to 55 minutes.

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Farmers reach goals in Legislature

Texas farmers and ranchers accomplished most of their goals in the just completed 78th Session of the Texas Legislature.

Though many state agricultural program budgets were cut, Texas Farm Bureau President Kenneth Dierschke says, "It was a good session for agriculture, and we don't think levels of service to farmers and ranchers will be affected by the cuts that were made."

Not only was adequate

funding for state agricultural programs preserved, new legislation was passed that stands to protect the property rights of farmers and ranchers. High on the Farm Bureau's list was a bill to require cities to pay the fair market value of water beneath property that is condemned for the purpose of acquiring the water rights. Prior to passage of this bill, government entities had only to pay the market value of the land.

Also, the city acquiring

the land must first prove that it has developed a drought contingency plan, implemented water conservation measures, pursued alternative water supplies, attempted to voluntarily buy or lease the water rights and prove a need for the water within the next 10 years for domestic use.

Also on the property rights front, landowner participation payments in transportation corridors are now possible due to action by the Legislature. Farm Bureau has long sought a system of royalty payments when land is condemned for utility or highway rights of way.

The landowner and the Texas Department of Transportation would negotiate the duration of these payments.

"We think this is an important step forward," Dierschke said. "Rather than simply losing property to eminent domain proceedings, landowners can participate in the profits generated by these transportation corridors."

The Legislature also

moved to protect the personal information of ranchers who use predator control services. Previously, animal rights groups had moved to acquire the names of participants who used these services. Farm Bureau took court action to stop the release and now the Legislature has voted to exempt this personal information from the open records law.

"We believe this bill was important to protect the privacy and safety of our members," Dierschke said.

The Legislature also helped farmers and ranchers deal with the growing problem of feral hogs. The Legislature approved a bill allowing farmers to control the hogs without a hunting license.

These and other bills are contingent upon Governor Rick Perry's signature.

"We believe these bills are good policy for Texas and will provide a needed boost for agriculture," Dierschke said.

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session meets 5:45-6:45 p.m. Aug. 5-28, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Cost is also \$26.

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Civic Center opens warehouse to serve Family Relief Group

Early last week, the Salado Civic Center Foundation's Board of Directors, officially turned the keys to part of their warehouse over to the Salado Family Relief Fund, to assist that group in storing the myriad of goods and supplies that are donated to assist families in need who live within the Salado School District area.

Civic Center Manager Hulda Horton presented the keys to the storage facility to Leigh Drake, President of the Family Relief Fund, Inc. Picture of that event appeared on the front page of the June 4, issue of the *Salado Village Voice*. Also shown in that photo was Marilyn

Fleischer, immediate past president of the Relief group and one of the founders of the Fund.

Foundation Chairman Ken Clapp noted that the Directors of the Civic Center voted unanimously to make the area formerly used by the Library, available to the important work of the Salado Family Relief Fund.

Clapp stated: "We are strong supporters of this important relief effort in our community and area and hope all residents throughout the area that is served by the Fund, will make an effort throughout the year to assist those of our fellow citizens who are in need and do it through



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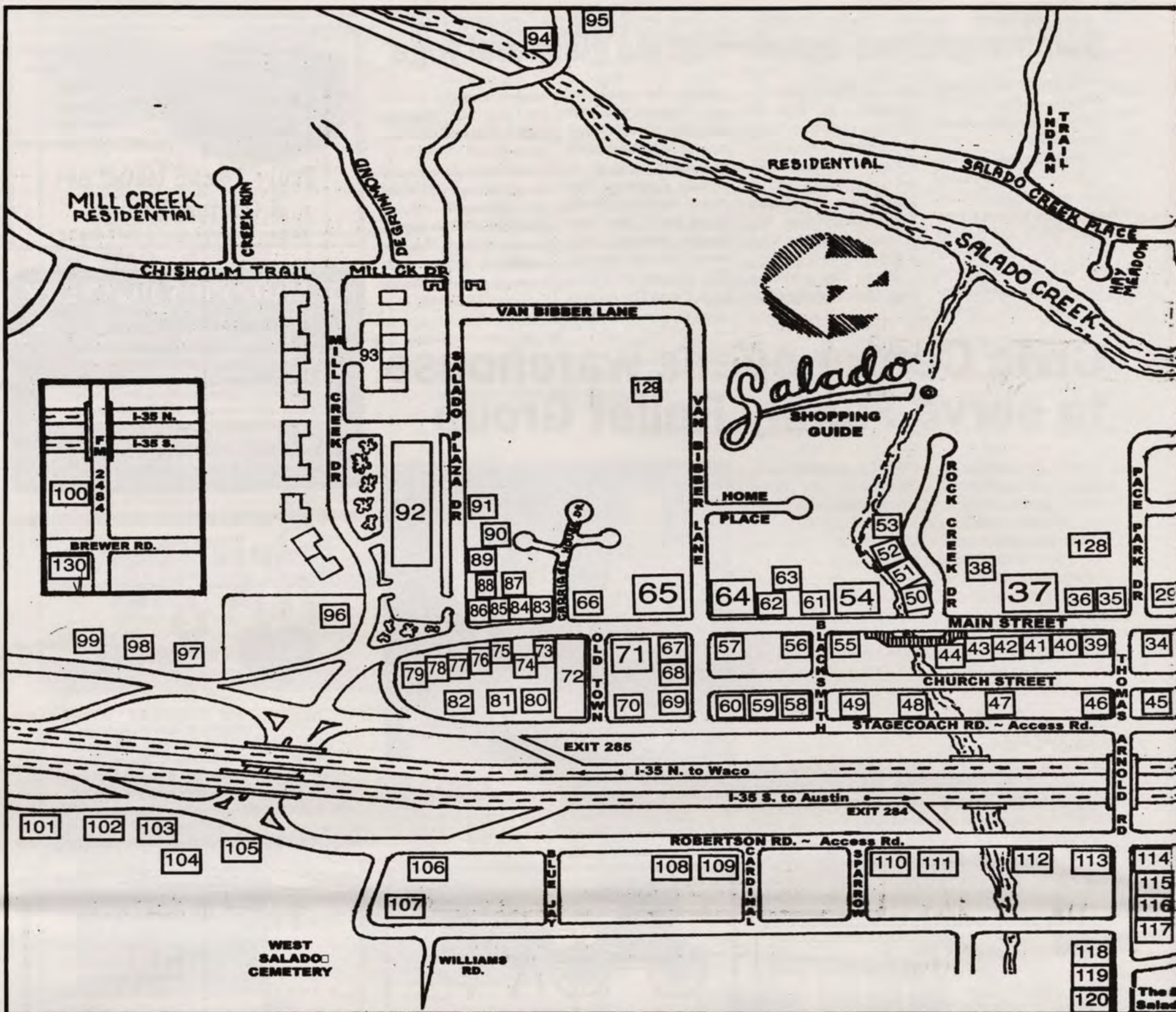
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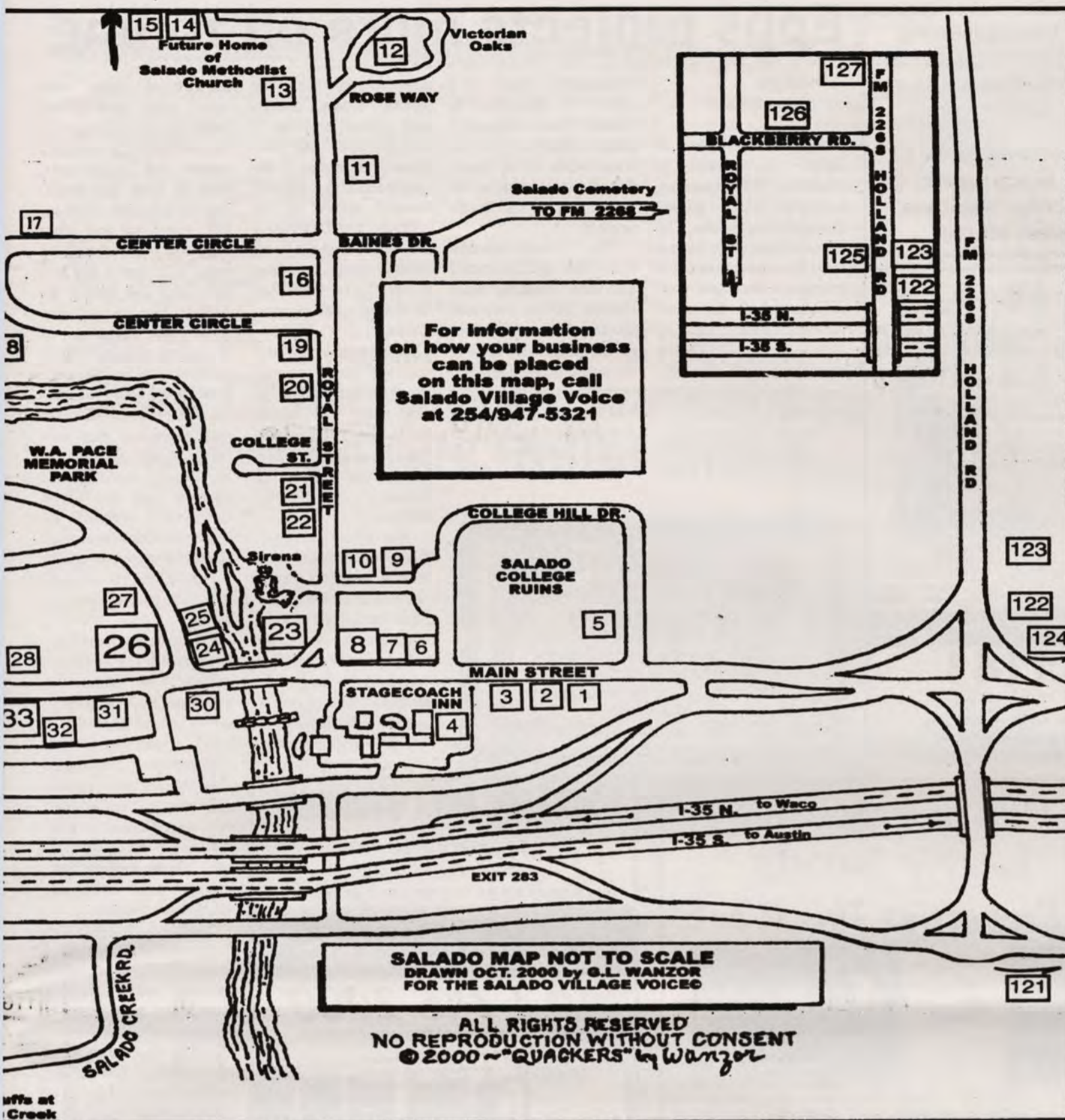
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Epps projects more on zoning

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VILLAGE ALDERMAN

When the Village of Salado incorporated in August of 2000, it was our citizen's wish to protect the essence of Salado. The citizens wanted to have a local government in place to ensure that new construction will be compatible with existing structures as well as being consistent with the historic, rural character of the community.

The Texas Local Government Code allows for cities to develop a Com-

prehensive Plan that allows for regulations to identify what is important about Salado as well as what needs to be maintained and encouraged for future growth and development.

The Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee has been working since October on the proposed Zoning Ordinance. All of the meetings were open to the public and citizen participation was welcomed. The meetings were held in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

Zoning has several pur-

poses to guard the public health, safety, morals and general welfare. It is important in our community to enhance the commercial and the residential appeal of the Village. The Committee reviewed current and growth trends to lessen congestion on streets and to ensure safe transportation.

It is necessary to protect the rural environment of our Village as well as its scenic landscape. The Committee was charged to preserve areas of historical and architectural significance.

The Zoning Ordinance establishes regulations to cover height and size of buildings and other structures. Since drainage and runoff are an important aspect of design, percentage of a lot that is to be covered or used is limited.

Other regulations as

to size of yards, open space and location of buildings are detailed. To accommodate a harmony within the community, uses of land and buildings for business, residential, industrial and other purposes are outlined. In order to preserve the historic look and feel of the Village, regulations determine the alteration of structures of historical or architectural importance.

It is important to realize that existing buildings and businesses that lawfully existed on the day the Zoning Ordinance is adopted will be "grandfathered" as nonconforming uses. Certain restrictions will apply regarding the modification of these grandfathered uses in the future.

The Committee has established a certain amount of flexibility within the Ordinance to allow for variances to be made under special circumstances. Conditional Use Permits allow certain activities to be allowed with specific restrictions. Planned Developments may accommodate non-traditional yet enhancing special use districts.

Under the Development Standards and Use Regulations section, off street parking and loading, landscape requirements, fencing, walls and screening requirements, exterior construction and design requirements and supplemental regulations are outlined. Performance standards are also set forth in such areas as: toxic waste, noise, smoke and particulate matter, odorous matter, fire or explosive hazard material and vibration. Home occupation regulations are set forth in special provisions, allowable occupations and prohibited occupations in this same section.

Procedures and administration are outlined in the establishment of a Planning and Zoning Commission as well as a Zoning Board of Adjustment. Penalties and enforcement are established in their own section.

We will have copies of the proposed Zoning Ordinance and the Zoning Map at the Municipal building and the Salado Public Library for your review by June 9. The Public Hearing called by the Salado Board of Alderman will be held 6:30 p.m. June 17 at the Civic Center. We invite all questions to be directed to Alderman Vic Means or Alderman Suzi Epps at 947-5060.

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Temple College announces Honor Roll List

Temple College has announced the President's Honor List and the Vice President's Honor List in recognition of high academic achievement for the 2003 spring semester.

Damiano Ferrari, Shellie A. Poteet, Lynda

F. Roberts and Roger W. Tracy, all of Salado were named to the President's Honor List. Jonathan R. McHaney of Salado was named to the Vice President's Honor List.

"These students have distinguished themselves

by setting and maintaining high academic goals," Dr. Gwen Hauk, vice president of educational services, said. "We congratulate them for their exemplary performance at TC."

To be named to the

President's Honor List a student must be taking at least nine semester hours of work and must have a grade point average of at least 4.0. To be named to the Vice President's Honor List a student must be taking nine semester hours and have a GPA of at least 3.5.

Central Texas Republican Women to meet June 18 in Temple

The Central Texas Republican Women's (CTRW) June meeting will be an 11:30 a.m. luncheon on June 18, at the Wildflower Country Club, in Temple.

This month's speaker will be LTC. Ret. Deborah Van Dormolen of Salado.

This will be the CTRW's last regular meeting this summer.

Reservations for the luncheon may be sent to Jean Gosney, 407 Downing, Belton, TX 76513.

The cost is \$11 in advance and \$12 at the door. Reservations are due by June 12.

All Republicans are welcome to join; applications for membership will be available at the luncheon or may be obtained by calling Pat Blair at

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Memberships are good from Jan.-Dec. and are \$20 per person. Men may join as associate members and are welcome.

Central Texas Republican Women are active in

the schools, family crisis centers, veteran's hospitals, orphanages, as well working with The Republican Party of Bell County to identify, recruit and elect responsible Republican Candidates to office.

Thomas graduates

Timothy Griffith Thomas, son of Richard and Linda Thomas and grandson of Thelma Griffith, all of Salado, graduated May 29, from Belton High School.

Thomas graduated Cum Laude and was given the Distinguished Scholar Award from the State of Texas. He was also awarded the President's Scholarship from the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, where he will be attending



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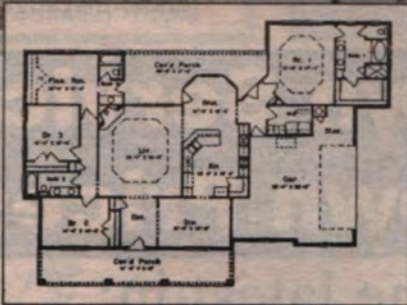
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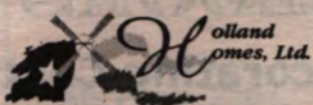


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Sallie Mae donates \$30,000 to Army Emergency Relief

The Sallie Mae Fund recently presented Army Emergency Relief with a check for \$30,000. The donation made at Fort Hood, the nation's largest army base and a neighbor-

ing community to Sallie Mae's loan servicing center in Killeen, will help provide emergency financial assistance to soldiers - both active and retired - and their dependents, as their

needs require. Army Emergency Relief operates in partnership with the Department of the Army and provides assistance to all active duty and reserve component soldiers who have been ordered to active duty for more than 30 consecutive days. Army Emergency Relief assists soldiers and their families, in part, by providing grants, interest-free loans, and education scholarships.

"The support Sallie Mae employees and The Sallie Mae Fund have shown our troops is exactly the kind of generosity and compassion they show for those in need year round," said Albert L. Lord, Vice Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Sallie Mae.

"Through this donation to Army Emergency Relief, we aim to support communities affected by the recent military deployments," said Susan Porter, Managing Director of Community Outreach at Sallie Mae.

"Those who protect our nation have a crucial responsibility," said Rep. Chet Edwards. "Protecting the families of those who protect our families is our responsibility, and every bit as crucial. I applaud The Sallie Mae Fund for honoring the service and sacrifice of our men and women in uniform and their families."

Army Emergency Relief was established in 1942 by the Secretary of War and has since helped more than 2.8 million soldiers and their families overcome financial emergencies.

In addition to The Sallie Mae Fund donation to Army Emergency Relief, Sallie Mae employees across the country have assisted the troops by "adopting" servicemen and women overseas, collecting donations and distributing care packages.

Ft Hood soldier dies in Iraq

A Fort Hood soldier died May 28, in Baqubah, Iraq, of a non-combat-related cause.

Staff Sgt. Kenneth R. Bradley, 39, was a combat engineer with the 588th Engineer Battalion, Engineer Brigade, 4th Infantry Division.

Bradley, a native of Utica, Miss., entered the Army Feb. 2, 1984, and had been at Fort Hood since Nov. 1, 2001.

Bradley's death is under investigation.

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Linda Green, Customer Relations Manager for the Sprint Telephone Company (Western Division) is shown above (center) presenting a check for \$1,000 to Civic Center Foundation Board President Lloyd Parks near the bandstand on the Civic Center grounds. Also pictured is Foundation Secretary Mary Catherine Ervin.

Parks noted: "The annual grant from Sprint is greatly appreciated and will go immediately into the maintenance and operation funds that help keep the Civic Center viable as the leading meeting place in the Village."

Through the support of groups like Sprint, the Foundation has been able to operate without any deficit financing or borrowing since the Civic Center opened 10 years ago.

Sprint to invest \$280,000 in phone cable project for Salado

Sprint recently announced it will invest approximately \$280,000 in telephone cable projects in Salado beginning in July. The local phone company plans to replace some of its existing aerial facilities with a more durable telephone cable in the Mill Creek subdivision. It will also remove some aerial cable on north Main Street and replace it with underground cable.

"The cable project will include replacing the current air core cable with a more stable, longer lasting, silicon gel-filled cable," explained Linda Green, Sprint public affairs manager. "The new cable will prevent

water seepage which causes static on the lines."

Some of Sprint's cable enhancement efforts may include the need to trim some of the trees along the facilities route. "We want customers to not be alarmed if they see contractors trimming back some of the trees in the area," said Green. "We will not be cutting trees down but merely trimming back a small portion of the trees to allow enough space to place the cable. This will also help prevent abrasions to the new cable caused by branches. Our contractors use pruning techniques in accordance with

the Texas A&M and U.S. Forest Service guidelines that prevent the spread of tree diseases."

In addition, Sprint will remove some aerial cables for about three blocks on north Main Street. "By removing this portion of aerial cable and placing it underground, it will not only benefit our service capabilities but will enhance the aesthetics of this part of the city."

Sprint expects the cable replacements projects, which includes all splicing and testing of the new cables to be completed within a couple of months.

Getting the Best Advice

Question: You often recommend the local home-improvement store when readers want more detailed advice. What's the best way to approach a salesperson so that I can get the answers I need on a project?

Answer: The best way to get a good answer from a salesperson is to bring as much information as you can. That way, he or she will be able to pick the best parts or tools for the job you're trying to complete.

Before going to the home improvement or hardware store, list your questions as well as all you know about the project so far. For example, if you're repairing a leaky faucet, have disassembled it, but can't find anything clearly wrong, write down those details. In addition, gather any old parts and place them in a clear plastic bag to take with you. In the case of the leaky faucet,

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by Samantha Mazzotta

the sales associate can see what type of faucet you're working with and will be able to help you out.

Spare parts alone may not do it, especially in the case of electrical repairs. In this case, make a sketch of the area or item you're working with and bring it along with your list of questions.

A knowledgeable associate will help identify the problem you're having and can recommend a way to fix it. Most will also tell you what additional trouble you may run into during the repair or improvement, but if they don't, be sure to ask. Find out what the best tools for the job are, too. Make sure you have everything you need when you make a purchase. If you buy a package with several

parts inside, check to make sure everything listed is in the package before you leave the parking lot. It's easier to go right back in and swap it out.

Most importantly, though, don't be afraid to ask questions, no matter how simple they seem. Sales associates are there to help -- after all, it's your money and time that you're spending. It's better to ask as many questions as possible in order to get the right materials than to be forced to come back later for something you needed.

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Always keep old parts on hand during a repair or improvement project. They can be used as reference points, and may even need to be reused before the project is complete.

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A Welcome Home ceremony took place June 5 in the Abrams Field House. The unit deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom on Feb. 9.

Child Protective Services offers free meeting for potential foster and adoptive parents June 10

Child Protective Services (CPS) is offering a free information meeting for prospective foster and adoptive parents, 6:30 p.m. June 10 at the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services Office, 405 E. Elms Rd., Killeen.

"We have a huge need for foster and adoptive homes for children of all ages," said Zanell Dorsey, a regional recruiter for CPS foster and adoptive program. "We have children ranging in age from new-

born to 17, children who are part of sibling groups who would like to stay together and children with special medical and emotional needs. These children come from all ethnic backgrounds, but they all have one thing in common: a need for a safe and loving home."

Caseworkers will provide information about the selection criteria and training required to become a foster or adoptive parent. Current foster or adoptive par-

ents will also be available to share their experiences and answer questions at the meeting. There is no fee to become a foster or adoptive parent with CPS, and financial assistance is available.

Additional information about fostering and adopting children through CPS is available on the website at www.adoptchildren.org. For more information on the meeting, call (254) 501-4258 in the Belton/Copperas Cove/Killeen area, or toll-free at 1-800-284-5315.

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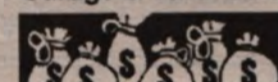


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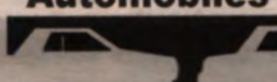
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\$154,500 - Nice 3 BR, 2 BA with breakfast area & formal dining. One living area with wood burning fireplace. Island in kitchen is great for cooking or enjoying family. Master suite has separate shower and tub with pocket doors to provide privacy. Fenced back yard. Conveniently located in Mill Creek with easy access to I-35.



\$169,900 - The "Orange Lady's home". Wonderful views of Mill Creek Golf Course & Salado Creek. Views can be seen from most parts of the home. Eat breakfast overlooking the golf course, lounge in the living room as you watch the creek flow by, & enjoy the rippling water from your own master bedroom. Entertain guests in the large living room area. Nice floor plan. 3 BR, 2 BA, 2 living, 2 dining. First time this home has been on the market.



\$289,000 - Stained and scored concrete floors with a Texas Star entry makes this home welcoming to everyone. This home is situated behind tall oak trees on a restricted half acre lot with an adjoining, unrestricted and heavily wooded 1.43 acres. Open designed floor plan and cathedral ceilings make entertaining friends and family easy. Computer Network wiring in place throughout home with a built-in computer station. Detached two car garage with a workshop is also wired for an RV.



\$138,500 - This home sits on 1.83 beautifully wooded acres in Live Oak Estates. 3 BR, 2 BA with open living/dining area. Two car garage. Peaceful, quiet setting only a few miles from Salado, backing up to a wonderful wildlife setting.



\$152,000 - Heavily wooded lot in the middle of Mill Creek. View of Golf Course & creek from living room and deck. Large deck is surrounded by trees. 2 BR, 2 BA. Copper fireplace in living room. Spiral staircase to upstairs BR.



\$153,500 - Enjoy living in the hill country surrounded by live oaks. Welcoming wrap-around porch. Impressive ceilings and windows in the living room and master bedroom. Nice country kitchen. 9x12 work area in the two car oversized garage. Extra space in all of the closets.



\$139,900 - 3 BR, 2 BA brick home on golf course in Mill Creek. Approximately 2100 feet of living area, two car garage, golf cart storage. Large game room above garage. Great view from wooded back yard overlooking the course.

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- **\$148,500** - 3 BR, 2 BA home on 2.66 acres. Close to lake.
- **\$152,000** - Copper fireplace, spiral staircase on wooded lot.
- **\$153,500** - Country living on 2 acres. Oversized garage.
- **\$154,500** - 3 BR, 2 BA, island in kitchen. Mill Creek
- **\$159,900** - Corner lot in Mill Creek. Loft upstairs.
- **\$159,900** - New home on Live Oak Estates on cul-de-sac.
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- **\$191,500** - 3 BR, 3 BA stone home on 2.4 acres - UC
- **\$197,800** - One story 3 BR, 2 BA ranch style 1.6 acres - UC
- **\$198,500** - Austin Stone on 2 acres - Under Contract
- **\$205,000** - 3 BR, 2 BA open living area with vaulted ceiling.
- **\$229,500** - Poolside, 2 acres, space for R/V. 4 BR/3BA - UC
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- **\$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 in Troy on 60 acres, barn & lake.
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- **\$349,500** - New home with view of Salado Creek & golf course.
- **\$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.
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Commercial Property

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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 - UC
- **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
- 700 Willow Creek - \$36,000
- Lot 1 Club Circle - \$35,000
- Fletcher Ct. - \$69,000
- Hester Way - \$55,000

Other Lots

- Royal Oaks - \$30,000 - Under Contract
- Royal Oaks - \$31,500 - Under Contract
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53 acres south of Salado. **\$2,990/acre.**

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

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Salado Lots

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

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