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Hometown newspaper read by Fredonia Seely

Salado Legends

Former stuntman/police/golfer tries hand at acting

By JACKIE MILLS

"I've tried it all! And I've had fun with every endeavor," said Bucky Price.

This month, Bucky will try his hand as part of the Brazos Bottom Cow'ographers with a role in *Salado Legends*.

Salado Legends is slated for three performances this year: July 19, 26 and Aug. 2. The performance begins at 8:15 p.m. with dinner served on the grounds prior to the play.

Salado Legends tickets and optional dinner tickets are sold in Salado at Fletchers, Compass Bank, First State Bank and The

Salado Mansion.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$5 for children. The dinner costs \$8 per person.

Tickets are also on sale in Killeen at Renaissance Records, on Fort Hood at ITR and at HEB's in Pflugerville, Round Rock, Georgetown and Austin.

Tickets can be purchased on-line at UT's Texas Box Office at www.texasboxoffice.com.

For tour groups or tickets by mail call 254-947-9205 or write to PO Box 312 Salado, TX 76571.

Price was born in San Francisco, California, but he got to Texas just as

quick as he could, as the saying goes. He spent his formative years in Ruskin, Texas. When his dad was transferred back to California, Price promptly graduated from high school and immediately joined the Marines.

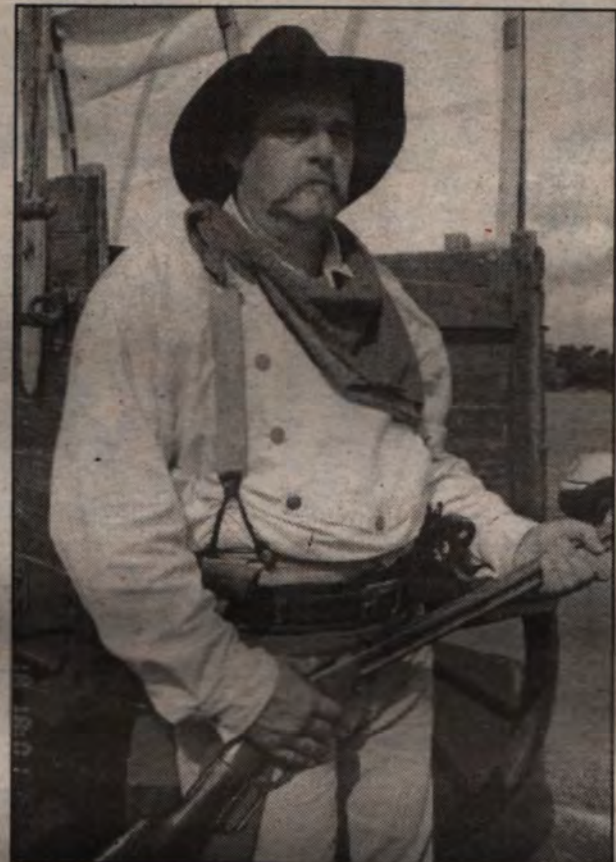
After four years in the Marines, he had had enough of the military life and went to work for Universal Studios in Hollywood as a stunt man.

He had roles in several big production movies, such as "All the President's Men." Bucky says he can be seen in that movie behind Robert Redford in the gym scene.

In "The Shootist," he

never met John Wayne because Universal filmed the stunts on one lot and John Wayne was filming across town. In "The Greatest Stuntmen in the World," he never met Bert Reynolds either. To give you an idea of why he changed careers, his stunt of falling off a horse and getting dragged in "High Plains Drifter" paid \$150.

The eight-inch leather rigging on his back was almost worn out when he finished the seven takes. Along the way he appeared in a few spaghetti westerns and in various commercials.



Bucky Price

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Zoning group continues work

By CHRIS MCGREGOR
STAFF WRITER

The Village of Salado Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee met July 9 to further discuss possible adjustments to the proposed Zoning Ordinance.

Since the June 17 Public Hearing, the steering committee has adjusted building setbacks in the Historic District, and is currently considering four proposals for zoning map adjustments.

As of late, they have been reviewing, one by one, the suggestions put forth both at the Public Hearing and in writing.

Much of the meeting was spent discussing a statement on the pros and cons of the plan prepared by committee member Robert Pascoe.

He stated he had reviewed the document relative to concerns expressed at the Public Hearing, and through a test case of "new construction of a non-residential property in an area zoned LR (local retail)."

Pascoe related that he agreed with Darwin Britt's opinion that the plan "feels like an urban design" and that parts of it should be tweaked to ensure its applicability to Salado.

He contended that under the proposed Zoning Ordinance, it would be impossible to duplicate some of the Main St. structures already in place, as they would not

meet all required criteria. That could be a problem, he said, because much of Salado's appeal is based on its contrast in building styles. All existing buildings have been grandfathered under the ordinance.

The local retail areas in Salado apply mostly to the western edge of the Village, i.e. the southbound I-35 access road and West Village Road. Pascoe told his fellow committee members that he would like that area to appear more like Main Street in its ambiance.

Dan Sefko, of Dunkin-Sefko Associates, the firm contracted by the Village to draw up the Comprehensive Plan, countered by saying the west side will have a more "traditional" appearance, not necessarily by choice, though. He explained that whatever decisions the board makes in regards to zoning can always be over-ridden by TxDOT.

Pascoe said that because Salado is driven by sales tax receipts, all efforts should be taken to "make it easy for local retail," and that too many restrictions will hinder future development. He said the developer should be given the final voice in regards to the feel of his development.

Pascoe made a motion that all adjustments made to parking requirements in the Historic District since the Public Hearing also be

applied to local retail areas. The motion carried unanimously. Sefko informed the board he was opposed to the change.

The committee also dealt with four separate requests for zoning map adjustments, regarding property owned by Freda Hanks, Ron and Debbie Harrison, Billy Pipes and a request made on behalf of Dick's Clubs in Mill Creek.

The committee decided that in the interests of efficiency, they would not allow any further requests for zoning adjustments. Future filings will be put on hold until the adoption of the Zoning Ordinance, at which time a Planning and Zoning board will be formed. That body will be responsible for issues the steering committee now oversees.

A decision was reached by the committee that they would make recommendations to the board of aldermen concerning the Pipes property, the Harrison property and Dick's Clubs. In the case of the Hanks property, the board concluded it was too complex a matter, and should be tabled until it can be heard by the Planning and Zoning board.

Copies of the proposed Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map are available for viewing at the Municipal Building.

The steering committee will meet 9 a.m. July 17 at the Municipal Building.



It really does fly! Mike Wright shows children how to make a kite out of plastic trash bags, July 14 during the Summer Reading Program, held 11 a.m.-noon each Mon. during the the month of July. (Photo by Schuyler Kuykendall)

Central Texas Area Museum holds genealogy workshop July 19

Central Texas Area Museum will host a Genealogy Workshop 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. July 19 at the museum on Main St. Salado.

Reservations for the genealogy workshop are \$30 per person, payable to Central Texas Area Museum, PO Box 36, Salado, TX 76571. Call 254/947-5232 for more information and to make reservations.

The workshop will include presentations by panel members Elizabeth Chennault, Bill Buckner, Bob and Joy Dunaway, Shelby Smith and Nancy

Franklin.

Chennault will moderate the panel, opening the program with a brief history of Scottish migration to new worlds. She is a Scottish historian and educator.

Buckner is manager of genealogy and periodicals at the Waco/McLennan County library. He will discuss early Texas ports, including Indianola and Galveston.

The Dunaways will speak on "Roughing it in through Kentucky and Missouri." They are active with the Dallas Genealogical Society and have had experience researching the

Mormon records in Utah.

Smith will speak on the Texas Bluebonnet Tartan. He has been an active member of the Scottish Society of San Antonio and often lectures on the border clans.

Franklin will speak on "Finding Moses," a search in genealogy using current information obtained at National Genealogy Society's meeting in St. Louis in May 2003. She is the librarian at Mt. Calm and is active in the Daughters of the Republic of Texas.

The speakers will begin at 10 a.m., with a one hour lunch break, then continuing 1-3 p.m.

FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



Troops into Africa

Oil-rich Saudi Arabia, a backward society that finances virulent Islamic extremism, has failed to make itself a reliable ally of the United States. So, U.S. policy-makers would be wise to start over and try to make a new Saudi Arabia -- on another continent.

Days after Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld said the United States was pulling its troops out of Saudi Arabia, Supreme Allied Commander Gen. James Jones said that the U.S. military will have to become more engaged with Africa, and that someday U.S. carrier battle groups might be spending less time in the Mediterranean and more along the coast of West Africa.

The potential new Saudi Arabia is West Africa's Gulf of Guinea, a resource-rich region that has little of the anti-U.S. baggage of Saudi Arabia, but already sends the United States roughly as much oil. The region is anchored by Nigeria, the world's sixth-largest oil exporter and fifth-ranked provider of crude to the United States.

West African oil is a natural for the United States: Much of it is offshore, providing something of a buffer from political instability; it is easily delivered, via a quick jaunt across the Atlantic; and it is low in sulfur, providing the high gasoline yield preferred by U.S. refineries.

Once the United States wakes up to this potential, the strategic implications are obvious: military and political engagement toward the goal of stabilizing and liberalizing the region.

Paul Michael Wihbey, a creative thinker who heads the Washington-based Center for Strategic Resources Policy, argues that the United States should declare the area a vital national interest. This would be a prelude to creating a subregional command with its homeport in Sao Tome and Principe, a tiny, oil-rich island nation smack in the middle of the Gulf of Guinea.

The Rich Lowry Column

Such a declaration would heighten the prestige of leaders in the region, would jump-start closer ties to give the United States leverage to push for political and economic reform, and would signal U.S. capital to come on in, the water in the Gulf of Guinea is fine.

If U.S. dollars tend to follow the flag, that's just as true of its exit as its entrance. Just as the United States was announcing its Saudi pullout, negotiations between ExxonMobil and the Saudi government collapsed over a proposed \$25 billion natural-gas deal. The Saudis balked at opening themselves to foreign investment; ExxonMobil worried about the strength of the kingdom's reactionary forces.

Wihbey imagines the Saudi-led OPEC gradually being supplanted by a new oil bloc centered on the Atlantic (60 percent of U.S. oil now comes from countries bordering the Atlantic), with Russia as an important fellow traveler. West Africa is a natural part of this grouping, offshore Brazil and offshore West Africa are part of the same geological basin.

President Bush has teed up a policy of more active engagement with Africa nicely. So far, a hallmark of his administration has been his willingness to scramble the international status quo, especially in the Middle East and Europe. Now, Africa beckons.

Redistricting spotlight shifts to Senate with 12 Democrats holding enough cards to trump DeLay and Perry's mishmashed-maps

The "Redistricting" spotlight shifted to the Texas Senate last week following passage, in the lower house, of a monstrous reshuffling of Congressional boundaries that has members of both parties up in arms and rightfully so. The plan - passed along party lines rips up traditional communities of interest; divides counties and leaves rural voters out in the cold. Only the minorities were protected because the Justice Department is keeping a close eye on their interests.

Senators finished their statewide public hearings and if the one in Waco is any example (and we believe it is) there was a recurring message coming from the grass roots to the upper house members: "Leave the current districts alone." "Don't even allow the matter to be brought up in the Senate." And, more to the point: "Go home and leave us alone."

Doubt these admonitions will receive much currency since new Senate maps began appearing over the weekend, with the matter thrashed out in committee yesterday (July 15) and key votes, to bring the matter to the floor, set for either today or tomorrow. It will take 21 aye votes to get the proposal before all 31 Senators for debate, so if the 12 in-house Democrats stay hitched, the entire redistricting plot could go down the tube - where it belongs!

STATE SENDS COUNTY \$500,000 MANDATE

The first, in what is expected to be a long list of unneeded and reckless expenditures mandated by the disastrous 78th Legislative Session, hit Bell County last week when details surfaced following signature of HB 1549 by our leading statewide "No New Tax" proponent - Governor Rick (the Reluctant) Perry - who in this instance was not a bit reticent or squeamish about passing along a half million dollar bill to be paid at the local level rather than from state general revenue funds.

The new law demands that all counties (including Bell) using "lever" type voting machines switch to DRE Touch Screen type balloting - regardless of the fact that the current voting machines work like charms; rarely break down; and are 100 percent accurate! (**Reckon we could sell them to Florida?**)

County Clerk Vada Sutton wasn't shy about "telling it like it is" when she characterized the foolishness of spending money where not needed: "This is a vendor driven law," the veteran official noted, "and unless this section of the election law is deleted during the 79th session - it will cost our county taxpayers right at \$500,000, to shift from a trouble free voting machine to a computer type instrument that is complicated and far from perfect."

The law was sponsored by Senator Jane Nelson (R-Grapevine) plus three GOP House members. They tossed in two Democrats for good measure

Scuttlebutt around the courthouse was hardly complimentary about this "hand-me-down" legislative expense and several felt that a close look at the campaign finance reports of those sponsoring the bill might make interesting reading to see if, and how many, "grateful-greenbacks" were passed around by vendors and their representatives.

Rest assured - there are more "trickle down" bills coming our way in the months ahead as the true costs of foolish-fiscal- fiat by our conservative lawmakers unfold - before our very eyes and pocketbooks.

Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



"Bring 'em on" Commentary urges President to be less swashbuckling and more circumspect when discussing our life-death military activities in Iraq's "peace-time" killing fields.

"BRING 'EM ON!"

COMMENTARY Is there a politician, living or dead, who didn't wish he could expunge from the record, a word or series of words that thoughtlessly escaped during the heat of rhetorical thunder and eventually came home to haunt his place in the hearts and minds of his countrymen?

We had seriously "not intended" to mention the swaggering three word comment made by President George Bush on July 2, 2003, in reaction to those in Iraq who are murderously challenging our presence in that county. You recall the words: "Bring 'em on!" Undoubtedly brought on after weeks of anti-American hostility as our troops bravely attempt to bring law and order to a nation that has suffered under the heels of a very evil group of thugs and cutthroats. At an estimated annual cost of \$50 billion and predicted to last for years!

Today's "Commentary" however was prompted by a poignant editorial drawing by Don Wright in the July 10, edition of the Palm Beach Post, that showed a single military casket draped with an American flag and the words - "Bring 'em on" ascribed beneath the heartbreaking image.

We would respectfully remind readers that in the not too distant past there was another war and another leader who used far less taunting words, yet strengthened an embattled nation.

We refer to the magnificent phrasing of a speech delivered on June 4, 1940, by the Prime Minister of England before the House of Commons. It was after the fall of Dunkirk as the British prepared for an expected invasion by the Nazi blitzkrieg: "We shall fight on the beaches, we shall fight on the landing grounds, we shall fight in the fields and in the streets, we shall fight in the hills, we shall never surrender."

MR. PRESIDENT....

Mr. President - sorry to be the one to break the news - but you're no Winston Churchill! And we are not involved in a swashbuckling adventure in Iraq. This is a killing field, so despite the frustration you must feel at how things are going in Iraq - please try to be a little more circumspect when speaking out about potential life and death matters facing our military.

Americans are trying hard to understand our vast worldwide commitments - while at the same time finding ourselves in the midst of a dismal economic, political and social period in our domestic history.

Americans desperately needs some serious top-down leadership and vision to help deal with matters before us today. Perhaps, what we may need even more is a period of national "quiet time." To think and pray.

That's -30-

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Lawmakers make haste to pass bills

By ED FEULNER

If you've ever wondered why Americans are so cynical about Washington, look no further than Congress' recent moves to add a prescription drug benefit to Medicare.

The idea is a noble one. Several million seniors lack drug coverage. Lawmakers could have written a bill narrowly tailored to help those people that still allowed the 78 percent of seniors who currently have drug coverage to keep it.

Instead they slapped together a bill with gaping holes and enormous consequences, and then raced to vote on it. The Congressional Budget Office estimates that, under that bill, 37 percent of retirees with employer-sponsored coverage could lose it and instead be thrown into the Medicare "safety net."

Lawmakers don't seem very worried about that. Maybe that's because the legislation won't take effect until 2006. By then, most people aren't likely to even remember who voted for what back in the summer of '03.

Another reason they're unconcerned: They have no plans to sleep in the same bed they're making for others. They intend to keep the coverage they get through the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program. Of course, they're not saying that publicly.

In fact, the Senate voted 93-3 to pass an amendment proposed by Sen. Mark Dayton, D-Minn., to cut the drug benefit for senators to the same level as the benefit that Medicare provides seniors.

Rest assured the Dayton Amendment will be gone when the final version is approved. Roll Call newspaper reported recently that Senate Republican leaders plan to strip the measure from the final bill. In other words, lawmakers voted for it on the floor, but they'll remove it behind closed doors.

The Senate version featured more than 1,000 amendments. In order to speed the process, Senators were allowed just two minutes of debate before voting on each of those amendments. Some probably made sense; others didn't. But how could they decide after merely two minutes of debate?

Meanwhile, Rep. Jim DeMint, R-S.C., complained that many con-

gressmen hadn't even seen the House bill on June 24. But the full House still approved it (by one vote) just two days later. Same thing happened in the Senate: The bill was unveiled on June 11. Just one day later, the Finance Committee approved it. Before most senators even had a chance to read it, the bill was under consideration on the floor.

The blinding speed of the process raises the question: Do lawmakers really know what they've done? Their haste to pass a bill--any bill--is further proof that measures taken for purely political reasons usually end up producing bad policy.

The House bill does contain one important element absent from the Senate version. Starting in 2010, it would require Medicare to start competing head-to-head on price with private plans. This would begin the process of giving seniors a real choice of plans.

But Senate Democrats strongly oppose this provision, because they realize it's a step away from government-managed health care. In fact, Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., says the current Medicare reform measure is merely a "down payment." As he assured CNN, "When we get this as a down payment, we're going to come back again and again and again."

This legislation would affect millions of people and cost hundreds of billions of dollars, but it's a mess. That's because it was thrown together too quickly, voted on without proper consideration and will be amended behind closed doors.

President Bush should veto it and challenge lawmakers to re-earn our trust. The need for real Medicare reform is too great to let sound-bite policy triumph again.

Ed Feulner is president of the Washington-based Heritage Foundation.

FORUM

Readers on SUMC, redistricting

To the Editor:

The following letter was written to the Salado Historical Society Board of Directors:

As a past Salado Historical Society board member and a current member, it was with great disappointment when I read the directors had publicly announced its opposition to the Salado Methodist Church's move. As Salado grows, so must the Methodist Church. It cannot grow sufficiently in its current location. In order to afford the necessary new facilities, the congregation must sell the current site.

The church congregation, after much thought and deliberation, voted to move the historic church to the new campus so it could be preserved and still used as a house of worship; not become a possible retail establishment.

It will still be a "historically and architecturally significant" church located on a beautiful Salado site. According to Dan Utley, of the Texas Historical Commission, the church has the option to apply for a Texas Historical Subject Marker for the new property and possibly keep the present Texas Historical Landmark Marker on exhibit, explaining the history of the church. It would be wonderful if the Salado Historical Society would support this effort.

The Salado Historical Society should encourage the growth of the Methodist Church; it is much more important for Salado to have a strong Christian community than for a building to remain in the same location. I hope with some thought, you will re-evaluate your position. Let's not lose sight of what is truly valuable to Salado.

Sincerely,
Margaret B. Williamson

Dear Editor:

I was among five Saladoans who went to Waco July 9 to hear testimony given before a State Senate committee on the matter

Your Voice

Letters to the Editor

of redistricting. By 6 p.m., after hours of listening to testimony, the last of the five headed back to Salado. The hearings continued, so it is possible there were changes. But except for one man who did not make himself clear, at the time we left every speaker was clearly opposed to redistricting. The message was expressed in numerous ways. First and foremost, McClennan, Bell and Coryell Counties must remain intact as one district, and the voters, although overwhelmingly Republican, re-elected Chet Edwards and they want to keep him. Among the protesters were many officials, including mayors from Waco, Killeen and Harker Heights. Several officials began by saying "I voted for Rick Perry and for Chet Edwards." Many reasons why these three counties must work together for their common good were cited.

Many who testified brought with them resolutions protesting redistricting signed by members of city councils, veterans' groups and minority groups. These documents were given to the committee for consideration.

The audience was assured that all testimony would be made available to the full Senate before any decision-making procedures would begin. Although that seems like an obvious approach, we learned that it had not happened in the House. Through news media coverage, it has become common knowledge that the House hearings have been considered to be a sham. On the morning of the Waco hearings, the *Austin American-Statesman* printed a story relating how arrogantly the House panel had behaved and how shabbily their

constituents had been treated.

The Senate committee was fully aware of those stories and told the audience that they would be courteous and attentive. They were, as were the speakers who appeared before them. They came to Waco from Dallas, where testimony had gone on until 4 a.m. They clearly understand that voters are not turning out to praise redistricting. They have heard from rural and urban votes, Republicans, Democrats and Independents. A show of hands indicated a similar mixture in Waco.

The committee has listened. We will soon know if they have the courage of our convictions.

Sincerely,
Violet Palmer

Dear Editor:

While not able to stay for the whole hearing on redistricting held in Waco recently, what was witnessed, however, was an orderly overflow crowd there at Baylor University. The chairman asked for a show of hands for voting preferences and announced as far as he could tell it was a pretty well evenly-divided crowd of those regarding themselves as independent, Republican or Democrat.

Time after time, those citizens called on to speak, stated while they voted for Rick Perry, they also voted for Chet Edwards.

When Congressman Edwards entered the room, the crowd (300 plus) gave him a standing ovation. In spite of this, it seems Tom Delay wants Edwards out. We will now see among those who make the decision if Tom Delay (acting for/with Karl Rove?) is to be obeyed, or if the will of the people will prevail.

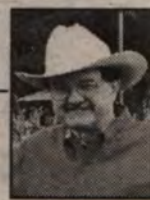
It seems no attention is being paid to the fact that Rep. Edwards already represents a district that is predominantly Republican, yet he gets re-elected. Should he be ousted, our district will suffer for it in not having a representative with seniority and clout on committees important to us, i.e., Fort Hood, our water, our veterans' facilities, etc.

If Texas citizens sit still for this ugliness prompted by Washington, what is democracy all about?

Aliceanne Wallace
Belton, Texas

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Jim Hightower

Who says the Bush-Rumsfeld Pentagon is a ruthless, cold-hearted, imperious war machine? I've just learned the Pentagon is an absolute softie, a sweetheart!

If, that is, you happen to be a politically wired Pentagon contractor like Boeing.

In a deal that was opposed by Bush's own budget office and by a hawkish panel of military experts, the Pentagon decided to give a sweet kiss on the lips to Boeing, agreeing to a six-year lease of 100 of this conglomerate's 767 jetliners, which Boeing will convert into tankers for refueling long-distance bombers in mid-flight. This is the first time the Pentagon has ever chosen to rent rather than buy such a big-ticket item --- and it's a mighty costly rental indeed for us taxpayers.

The congressional accounting office calculates the cost of Boeing's kiss as up to \$30 billion. That's \$50 million per year per plane. Was there no alternative? Of course there was. For only \$8 billion, the existing fleet of re-fueling tankers --- which has been performing beautifully according to the Air Force --- could be thoroughly modernized and would give us 35 more years of service.

But such a sensible savings of taxpayers' money was an idea that didn't have the lobbying clout that Boeing did. The aircraft giant is a major campaign contributor, and it mustered the political muscle of House Speaker Dennis Hastert, the Senate appropriations chairman, and a gaggle of lawmakers (both Republican and Democratic) from 17 states where Boeing operates. The final decision to approve this ripoff was made by George W himself --- a guy whose Republican Party has enjoyed over \$2 million in donations from Boeing in the past four years, and who is eager to raise millions more for his re-election bid next year.

So the Bushites and the Wobblycrats now can claim another victory for their policy of perpetual war --- they have defeated American taxpayers, hoisting Boeing's flag over people's needs, the need for real national security... and common sense.



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Forum for GAM to be held July 17

The Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) is holding the final Stakeholder Advisory Forum for the GAM (Groundwater Availability Model) for the northern segment of the Edwards (BFZ) aquifer, 1:30-3 p.m. July 17 at the Salado Civic Center. The Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District is a stakeholder in this project and has worked with the TWDB to hold this Forum in Bell County.

The purpose of the meeting is to update interested parties on the progress of the GAM development and to solicit input.

The GAM is a computer model that will estimate the amount of water available in an aquifer. The model will include information on aquifer recharge; geology and structure; rivers, lakes and springs; water levels; aquifer properties; and pumping.

The computer model will be used to assess groundwater availability through the year 2050. The GAM for the northern segment of the Edwards (BFZ) is scheduled to be completed by the fall of 2003.

See website: www.twdb.state.tx.us/gam.

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Lions Club elected new officers

The Salado Lions Club underwent their yearly changing of the guard at their July 9 luncheon, inducting a new set of officers and board members and bidding farewell to those leaving office.

Incoming officers consist of these: George Dentry, president; Otto Buis, first vice president; Allen Mantanona, second vice president; Bill Ruth, third vice president; Grover Jones, immediate past president; and Ryan Hodge, treasurer. Brenda Merz will continue in her position as secretary.

Board members will be Steve Ervin, two-year director; Lloyd Parks, two-year director; Bill Kyle, one-year director; Ed Care, one-year director; Royce Vernon, membership chair; Don Clayton, tail twister; and Don Clapp, lion tamer.

Prior to the induction of officers and board members, Lion Jeff McKinney was presented a service award for having filled the treasurer's position for the last five years. Eldon Miller was also awarded a plaque for helping spread the message of Lions International.

Lion Jack Schrock then addressed those present about the club's fundraising plans. Chief among the

Lions fundraising endeavors is the bi-annual phone book, which is projected to net \$16,000. Schrock said the book is scheduled to

be distributed in Salado by Dec. 1.

The Lions will next meet 11:30 a.m. July 23 at Mill Creek.

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SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESS ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO, TEXAS, RESTRICTING THE SITING OF SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESSES; PROVIDING FOR THE FOLLOWING: POPULAR NAME, LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS; SCOPE; DEFINITIONS; LICENSING REQUIREMENTS; LICENSING FEES; LOCATION AND SIGNAGE; ENFORCEMENT, INCLUDING CRIMINAL FINES NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000.00 OR CIVIL PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$1,000.00 PER VIOLATION; DEFENSES TO PROSECUTION; REPEALER; SEVERABILITY; EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING

WHEREAS, there is the potential for the location of sexually oriented businesses in any community; and

WHEREAS, such businesses require special supervision for the public safety and welfare of the patrons of such businesses as well as the citizens of the Village of Salado; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Legislature has determined that the unrestricted operation of certain sexually oriented businesses may be detrimental to the public health, safety, and welfare by contributing to the decline of residential and business neighborhoods and the growth of criminal activity; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen acknowledges the existence of convincing documented evidence that sexually oriented businesses have a deleterious effect on both surrounding businesses and residential areas, causing increased crime and reduced property values; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the Village of Salado finds that sexually oriented businesses are frequently used for unlawful sexual activities, including prostitution and sexual liaisons of a casual nature; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the Village of Salado desires to minimize and control these adverse effects and thereby protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizenry; preserve the property values and character of surrounding neighborhoods; and deter the spread of urban blight; and WHEREAS, licensing is a legitimate and reasonable means of creating accountability to ensure that operators of sexually oriented businesses comply with reasonable regulations and to ensure that operators do not knowingly allow their establishments to be used as places of illegal sexual activities or solicitation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 211 of the Texas Local Government Code restricting the location of sexually oriented businesses within the Village is a reasonable and legitimate exercise of the Village's zoning authority; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 243 of the Texas Local Government Code the Board of Aldermen has authority to regulate sexually oriented businesses to promote the public, health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, it is not the intent of the Board of Aldermen to suppress any speech activities protected by the First Amendment of the United States Constitution, but to enact a content-neutral Ordinance that addresses the secondary effects of sexually oriented businesses; and

WHEREAS, it is not the intent of the Board of Aldermen to condone or legitimize the promotion of obscene materials; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen seeks to regulate Sexually Oriented Businesses as part of the Board's comprehensive efforts to protect and preserve the scenic and historic nature of the Village in a manner that fosters a family atmosphere conducive to Village residents and tourists; and

Passed and approved at a regularly scheduled Board of Aldermen meeting, July 3, 2003. For a copy of the complete ordinance, please contact the Village office at 947-5060.

CHURCH NEWS

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Worship 8:15 a.m.
Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:45 a.m.
Adult Choir 5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Jr. High Halftime 5:00 p.m.
Fellowship Meal 5:30 p.m.
TeamKID (Preschool - 6th) 6:00 p.m.
Youth Choir 6:00 p.m.
Prayer Service 6:15 p.m.
Bible Drill (3rd - 6th) 7:00 p.m.
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Worship Schedule

Sunday School • 9:45 a.m.
Worship • 11 a.m.
Bible Study • 6 p.m.
Wednesday Praise & Prayer • 7:00 p.m.

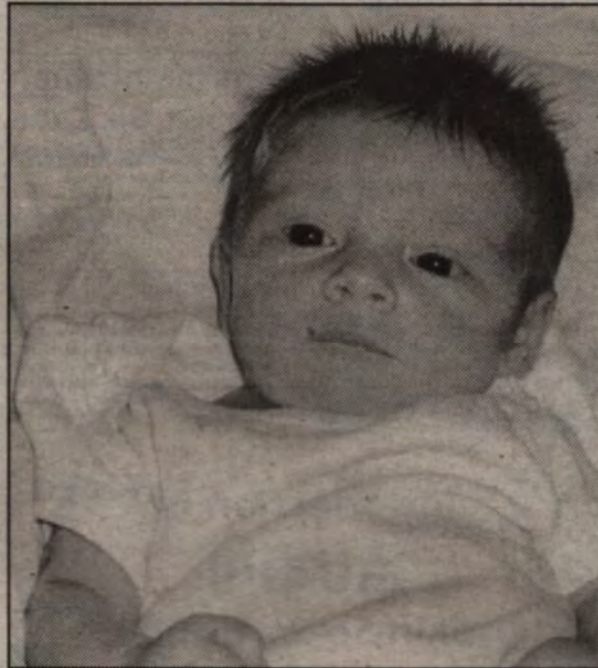
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Welcome Baby Virginia Nagel

Virginia Grace Nagel was born June 12, 2003 in Mobile, AL to Chris and Shelley Nagel. She weighed 6 lbs. 10 oz.

She is the granddaughter of Buck and Dee Buckley of Salado and Dan and Susie Nagel of San Angelo. Great-grandparents are Pauline Taylor of Calliham, Richard and Pat Nagel of Houston, and Ann Chapin of Killeen.

Pauper's Cemetery may be impacted by I-35 Project

A largely forgotten and unmarked paupers cemetery located near I-35 between Temple and Belton may be impacted by the proposed widening of the interstate.

Approximately 100 graves have been identified by Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) archeologists. Depending on the freeway alignment selected, some or all of these graves will need to be removed for reburial at a site selected in consultation with descendants, area citizens and representatives of Bell County, Bell County Historical Commission and the Texas Historical Commission.

The one acre cemetery was once a part of a 200-acre poor farm operated by the government of Bell County for its indigent citizens from 1898 until 1912. The farm was sold to a private party in November 1912, with the county retaining ownership of the cemetery. Burials are believed to have continued until at least 1958, and possibly as late as 1965.

A historical investigation commissioned by TxDOT identified 69 individuals whose remains may be interred in the cemetery. Because the graves are unmarked and records incomplete, it is unlikely that graves can be matched up with specific individuals.

However, TxDOT will launch a search for descendants of those interred in the cemetery in mid July 2003. A public meeting will be held later this year or in early 2004 to determine which highway alignment will be selected for the area near the cemetery.

If it is then determined that the cemetery will fall within the project right of way, TxDOT will work with the descendants and county officials to find an appropriate place to reinter the remains.

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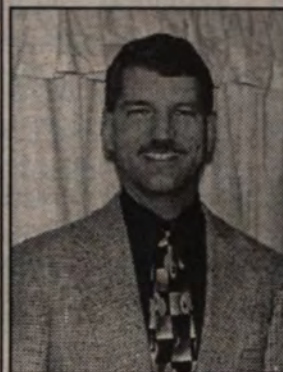
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Joe Keyes
Minister

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Sunday

Bible Class • 9 a.m. Worship • 10 a.m.
Evening Worship • 6 p.m.

Wednesday

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Legend

Price auditioned and was hired to play Linus in "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" for the Lafayette City Theater Tour Group. For the 12 week run he got to see Southern California, eat a lot of unhealthy food and sleep in some nice and a lot of dumpy motels.

Next, law enforcement called. Bucky took his Police training in Dallas and spent several years on the Dallas Police Force, where he was shot once and stabbed twice.

While on the Dallas Police Force he met his wife, Rose. Since Rose was too young to become a widow, Bucky changed jobs. Golf as a hobby

became a profession and he was on the PGA tour for six years. Bucky says he can't wait to turn 50 so he can try out for the Senior PGA Golf Tour. A few years ago he won a car and \$10,000 by hitting a hole-in-one. Guess that tells you how good his golf game is running.

Two of Bucky's sons attend the University of Mary Hardin Baylor in Belton and one son attends Texas Tech in Lubbock. He and his wife Rose have only one child at home now, and that is 17 year-old Kendra.

The Prices' make their home in Troy, where Bucky is in the restaurant business. His new BBQ

establishment will open in October.

To fulfill his wish to be a cowboy, Price belongs to the Brazos Bottom Cowo'graphers and is in this year's production of **Salado Legends**. He adds authenticity to "Legends" with his own western gear and equipment, but this time he gets no pay for mopping up the dust since Tablerock Amphitheater productions are manned with volunteer cast and crew.

Republican women meet on July 17

The Salado Area Republican Women will meet 11:30 a.m. July 17 at Mill Creek.

Nancy Boston, Republican Party Chairman for Bell County, will be the featured speaker for the event.

Those wishing to attend need to make reservations by July 15, by calling 947-8422 or e-mailing cwr1957@juno.com. Cost for the buffet luncheon is \$10, payable at the door. This will be the final meeting of the group until September.

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Aug. 5: **Bankrolling Your Business** - This free

course covers information about funding sources available for businesses including grants, loans, and

other sources, and how to qualify for funding, 5:30-7 p.m. This course is free.

Aug. 8: **Introduction to QuickBooks** - Learn how to set up QuickBooks accounting software program, including an in-depth list to help you prepare. Class will provide an overview of the chart of accounts, account types, lists, classes, items, invoicing, bill payment features, receiving payments, and making deposits and backing up the data file, 1-4 p.m. Cost is \$35 per person. Instructor will be Susan Patterson of the Kaisen Group.

Aug. 15: **Business Plan Boot Camp** - This series of four courses covers a thorough overview of developing a well-written business plan, with a question and answer session, 1-5 p.m. Cost is \$75 per person payable in advance. Instructor will be Marcus Carr.

Aug. 19: **Starting a Day Care** - This course discusses the fundamentals and requirements involved in starting a day care business, 5:30 p.m.-7 p.m. Cost is \$25 per person. Instructor will be Marcus Carr.

Aug. 26: **Tax Fundamentals for the Newly Self-Employed** - This class will cover how the IRS looks at your business money, basic tax jargon, standard business deductions and where to begin. Susan Patterson of the Kaisen Group will be conducting this workshop, 5:30 p.m.-7p.m. Cost is \$25 per person.

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Additional \$30 for Sunday
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Itinerary

Friday: Hitting Camp

(3rd - 6th Grades) 3 - 5 p.m. • (7th - 12th Grades) 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Saturday: Skills Camp (Throwing, Catching, Sliding)

(3rd - 6th Grades) 8 - 11:30 a.m. • (7th - 12th Grades) 12:30 - 4 p.m.

Sunday: Pitching Camp

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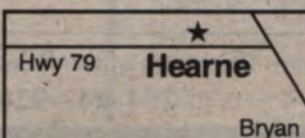
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Cooper graduates Jarrell HS

Buddy and Bernice Thomas of Salado have announced the graduation of their granddaughter, Brittany Cooper from Jarrell High School.

She was Salutatorian of her graduating class.

She will be attending **Ozcan and Michna to wed August 15**

John and Fatos Ozcan of Midland have announced the engagement of their daughter, Meryem Ozcan of Houston, to Vincent William Michna of Houston. Vinny is the son of Larry and Kathy Michna of Salado, and is a 1996 graduate of SHS.

The couple plans an Aug. 15, 2003 wedding at the Pavillion at Gessner in Houston.

Concordia University in Austin this fall with a major in biology. She then wants to continue on to medical school to become a pediatrician.

Cooper was a member of the Jarrell High School varsity basketball team and the National Honor Society.



MOAA meet July 18 in Fort Hood

MOAA Central Texas Chapter (The Military Officer Association of America - formerly TROA) will hold its monthly general membership meeting noon July 18 in the Wilshire Room of the Fort Hood Officers Club. Wesley Riddle LTC (r), West Point and Oxford alumni, will be the guest speaker.

He currently writes a column for *The Belton Journal*. Jos Portman will also give a brief report on the 2003 Army Retiree Council meeting he recently attended. You're invited to join them for lunch and bring a new friend. For questions, contact Steve Ciccanti at 254-698-3341.

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The Salado First Baptist Church plans to celebrate its 140th anniversary in 2004.

In anticipation of this event, church member Charlene Carson has written a comprehensive history of the church.

The book begins with the organization of the church in 1864 and continues through the present time. Intertwined with

church events are Salado, Bell County, and world events. Numerous photographs accompany the text.

The book is scheduled for availability in Jan. 2004. It will contain over 200 pages, and will be bound with a hardback cover.

Copies of the book can now be ordered for the published price of \$25. Orders will be placed with the publisher beginning the first week of August.

Anyone interested in purchasing the book may fill out the attached form and send it, along with payment, to: First Baptist Church/210 S. Main St./Salado, TX 76571. Orders are due by July 31.

Producers seek vets who lost touch

A California production company wants Central Texas area combat veterans who have a special story to tell.

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In order to be considered for "Operation Reunion," stories must meet the following criteria:

- Those seeking to reunite must have a compelling reason to do so. Some examples include the desire to thank someone who saved their life, finding closure, making amends or returning personal items.
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In order to be selected, stories must include combat, a rescue or battle.

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Answer: Choosing a medicine for blood pressure control is not as simple as it might seem. Doctors want to give their patients a medicine that brings their pressure to the normal range, has the fewest side effects and is the least expensive.

Increasing the dose of one medicine can also increase the chances of intolerable consequences. The doctor wants to use only one medicine as much as the patient wants to take only one medicine. However, the facts of life are that 50 percent to 65 percent of blood pressure patients must resort to using two drugs.

The reason why is that

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there are so many different blood pressure drugs, and each has its own particular way of lowering pressure. The combination of two drugs, therefore, provides two distinctly different mechanisms for lowering blood pressure. Combinations can often successfully bring the pressure down without incurring the untoward effects that come from increasing the dosage of one medicine.

For example, water pills (diuretics) lower blood pressure by shunting excess fluid into the urine. When the overfilled circulation loses fluid, pressure drops. When the dose can be kept to a minimum, side effects can be kept to a minimum. In the case of diuretics, an increase in the dose might cause the loss of body potassium. Beta blockers are another

class of blood pressure medicines. They bring the pressure down by damping the force with which the heart pumps blood and by slowing the rate at which the heart beats. Increasing their dose could result in such a slow heartbeat that people would be on the brink of fainting.

Combining a beta blocker with a diuretic takes advantage of their two different mechanisms of lowering blood pressure without having to push one drug to such high amounts that side effects are all but guaranteed.

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Cigna leads health plan hassle list

Cigna HealthCare earned the dubious title of worst health plan of the year, according to the Texas Medical Association's 2002 Hassle Factor Log (HFL) released July 9.

Cigna caused the most grief to patients and physicians because of the way it handled, or sometimes didn't handle, claims for medical services as reported by physicians.

"Cigna was undoubtedly the most difficult insurer to deal with when we compare them on an equal footing with their competitors in Texas," said Lewis Foxhall, MD, chair of TMA's Council on Socioeconomics.

"Slow pay/no pay tactics like those reported to our HFL program are prime examples of why TMA pushed so hard for the prompt pay legislation Gov. Rick Perry signed into law last month."

TMA uses HFL infor-

mation for a variety of purposes. The data identifies reimbursement issues that TMA shares in ongoing meetings with health plan representatives. It also is an effective tool when the association meets with legislators and state agency officials to improve laws and rules that pertain to the business relationships between health plans and physicians.

The ultimate goal is better and more hassle-free access to care for patients.

"We will look very closely at our HFL as final rules for the new prompt pay law go into effect to determine how well they work," Dr. Foxhall said. "This data will be one of our key measures to tell us whether the rules need to be tweaked or whether we need to return to the legislature for additional relief."

The data also hone TMA's litigation, most recently in the settlement with Aetna of a federal class action, anti-racketeering lawsuit.

In the 2002 HFL, Cigna scored 7.2 complaints per 10,000 patient enrollees. That's an upward surge from last year's 10 per 10,000;

United Healthcare earned the next closest score with almost seven complaints per 10,000 enrollees, the same score as last year;

Last year, Unicare led the herd in number of complaints with more

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than 17 per 10,000 enrollees, but Unicare improved to fewer than seven per 10,000 enrollees in the 2002 measurement;

- Humana held even at just under five per 10,000 both years; and
- Blue Cross BlueShield of Texas had the fewest complaints per 10,000 patient enrollees-four, a significant improvement over the 11 it scored last year.

A new category was introduced this year, to

measure the number of complaints per 10,000 participating physicians. Topping the new list:

- United Healthcare set the record with more than 683 complaints per 10,000 participating physicians; and

- Cigna came in second with almost 414 complaints per 10,000 participating physicians.

"Texas doctors don't need to look at the HFL data to know whether they want to continue contract-

ing with a specific health plan, but if they're looking at a new plan, this information can be critical in their decision process," Dr. Foxhall said.

The other major health plans and their complaints per 10,000 physicians are:

- Blue Cross BlueShield of Texas: 382 complaints per 10,000 participating physicians;

- Aetna/US Healthcare: almost 263 complaints per 10,000 participating physicians;

- Humana: slightly more than 99 complaints per 10,000 participating physicians; and

- Unicare: more than 72 complaints per 10,000 participating physicians.

One insurer, Pacificare, did not provide information to TMA on

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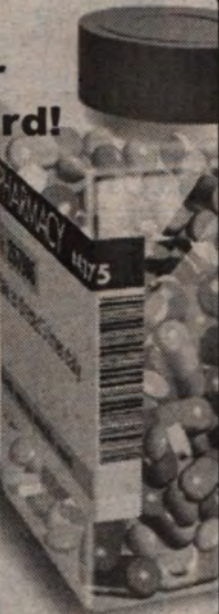
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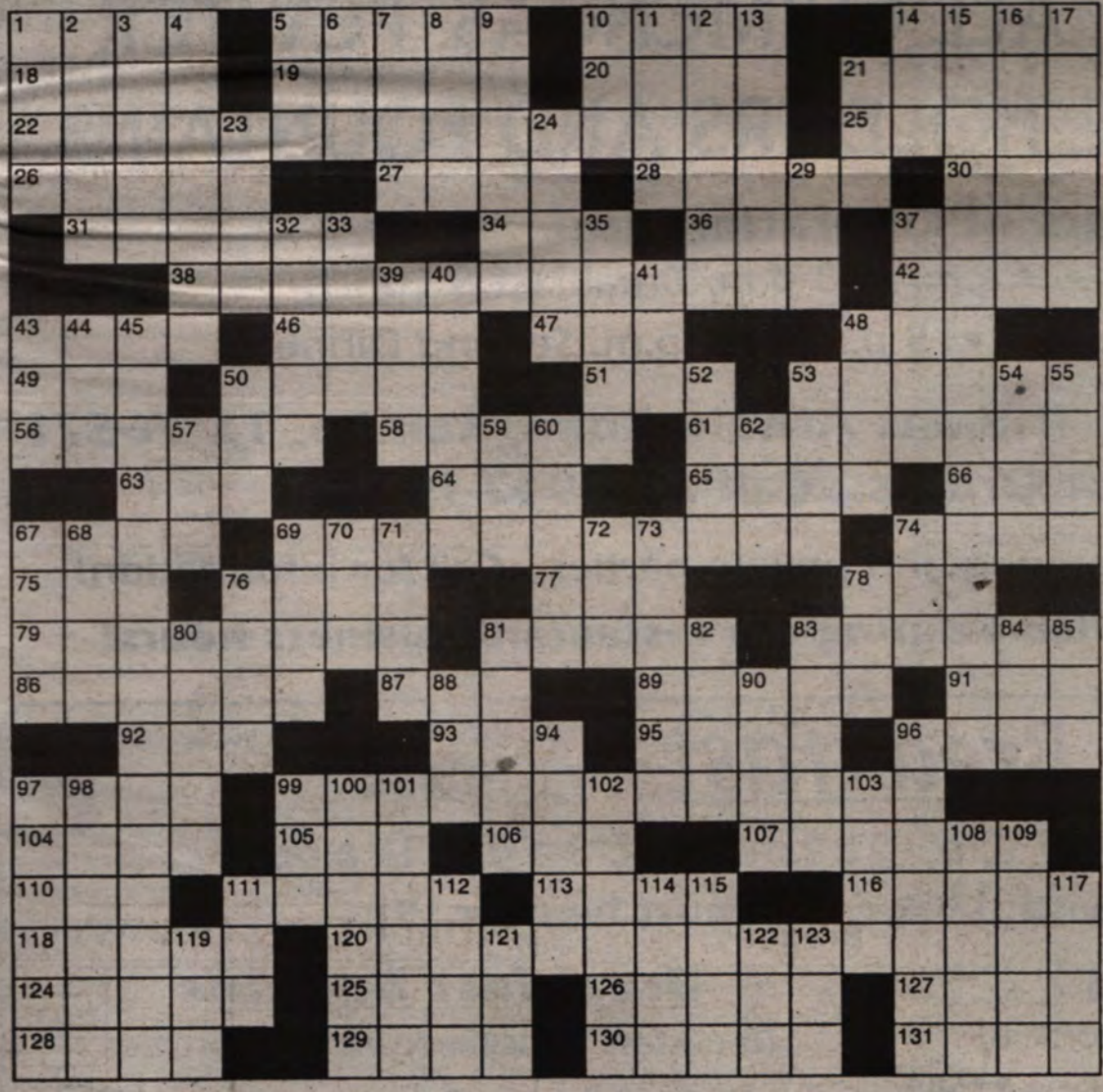
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- Small 3 Item Burrito..... **\$2⁰⁰**

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Out for a morning stroll. Temperatures soared above 90 degrees July 11 but that didn't keep Holly Puckett (McQueen), her children, Victoria, Scout and Jensen from taking to the streets with their cousins, Morgan, Avery and Davis McQueen of Dripping Springs. During sizzling months of summer, the streets of Salado are lined with all manner of traffic.

(PHOTO BY SCHUYLER KUYKENDALL)



Sales tax rebates stagnate in July

Sales tax rebates to Salado issued July 11 remained stagnant compared to last year's payments. In fact, the Salado Public Library District rebate dipped in July.

Village of Salado received a check of \$22,648.55 this month, almost one percent more than last July's payments of \$22,439.64. The payment is more than the June 2003 payment of \$21,666.50 to the Village.

For the year, the Village of Salado is slightly ahead of 2002 with \$170,309.12 paid so far, compared to \$169,673.47 through July 2002.

The Village of Salado levies one-cent sales tax within its two square-mile boundaries.

The Comptroller's payments to the Salado Public Library District was 1.42 percent less than last July: \$14,341.43 compared to

\$14,549.14. For the year, sales tax rebates to the library are comparable to last year: \$105,183.77 compared to \$105,014.32. The July payment is slightly more than the June payment of \$14,106.32.

The Salado Public Library District levies a half-cent sales tax within its boundaries, which are the same as the Salado Independent School District.

Bell County's rebate of \$754,071.60 is almost six percent more than last year's payment. For the year though, the County is comparable to 2002 payments through July with \$5.3 million received. July's payment is considerably higher than the June payment of \$703,209. The County collects a half-cent sales tax.

Payments to Temple and Killeen, the county's largest cities that collect 1.5

cent sales tax, were up considerably in July. Killeen's payment topped \$1 million, up 7.7 percent from last July. For the year, Killeen is running five percent ahead of 2002 with \$7.7 million received, compared to \$7.4 million in rebates through July 2002.

Temple's check of \$984,491.49 was more than seven percent higher than last July's \$918,673.26 payment. For the year though, Temple is comparable to 2002 with \$6.9 million received.

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn last week sent \$305.8 million in monthly sales tax payments to Texas cities, counties, transit departments and special purpose taxing districts. July sales tax rebates are up 1.5 percent compared to July 2002. Fiscal year-to-date sales tax allocations

are down 1.7 percent compared to the same period last year.

July sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected in May and reported to the Comptroller in June. The state's share of sales tax collected during this period was \$1.14 billion, down 0.4 percent compared to a year ago.

Strayhorn sent sales tax rebates of \$208.5 million to 1,116 Texas cities, up 2.8 percent compared to July 2002. Rebates of \$18.7 million went to 121 Texas counties, up six percent compared to year ago.

"Regrettably, our state sales tax figures didn't stay on that path and have dropped down again this month," Strayhorn said. "Unfortunately, for the first time in history, we are going to have back to back losses in sales taxes - that's two years running."

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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.

JULY 21-24

Salado Eagles Football Camp, 8:30-11:30 a.m. daily. Incoming 3rd-9th graders. Cost is \$40. 947-0803 or jcheatham@saladoisd.org for info.

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 4

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

AUGUST 13

First day of school for teachers.

AUGUST 11-12

Salado Intermediate School registration, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at SIS. Aug. 11 for incoming 5th-6th graders. Aug. 12 for incoming 7th-8th graders. Aug. 8, all students new to SIS.

AUGUST 16

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

AUGUST 18

First day of school for students.

AUGUST 30

Salado Salutes Texas Educators, 9 a.m.-7 p.m. at various Salado businesses. For info, www.SaladoTex.com.

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 15

Eleventh Annual Thomas Arnold Elem. PTO Golf Tournament, 1 p.m. at Mill Creek. Deadline for entry is Sept. 8. For info, call Kathlyn Smith at 947-8239.

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

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SEPT. 20, 21, 27, 28

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PALS presents First Annual Salado Wine Tasting Festival 6 p.m. at Tenroc Ranch. For info call Fran Harris, 947-3429.

SEPTEMBER 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.

OCTOBER 17-19

Second annual Titanic Texas Weekend: Gathering for anyone interested in the Titanic. For info: willingham@vvm.com, or www.encyclopedia-titanica.org.

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

Christmas Parade

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DECEMBER 5, 6, 12, 13

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The **Salado: A Jewel in the Crown of Texas** is a magazine published four times a year by the *Salado Village Voice* newspaper. The next edition will have 20,000 copies printed on 50 # white offset paper. The heavier paper stock gives the magazine a longer

shelf-life, as well as making it more attractive. The Jewel is distributed in every store, shop and restaurant advertising in the magazine as well as stand distribution. Hotels, and bed and breakfast inns put the magazine in their rooms for visitors to read and take home. The Chamber of Commerce, real estate agents, bus tours, and groups planning to visit Salado are provided boxes of the magazine. Included in the Jewel magazine is a user friendly shopping map of

the village. To be listed on the shopping map, a business must have an ad in the Jewel. While continuing to make improvements to the magazine, we have kept the cost the same as it has been for 15 years. To reserve your next Jewel ad call 254/947-5321 or send in your order form. **If you would like to avoid the last minute rush of deadlines, we'll be happy to create your ads now for the remaining 2003 publications.** Give us a call to set up an appointment.

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Among the books featured will be *Haunted Encounters*, *Real-Life Stories of Supernatural Experiences*, a collection of first-person accounts with the paranormal.

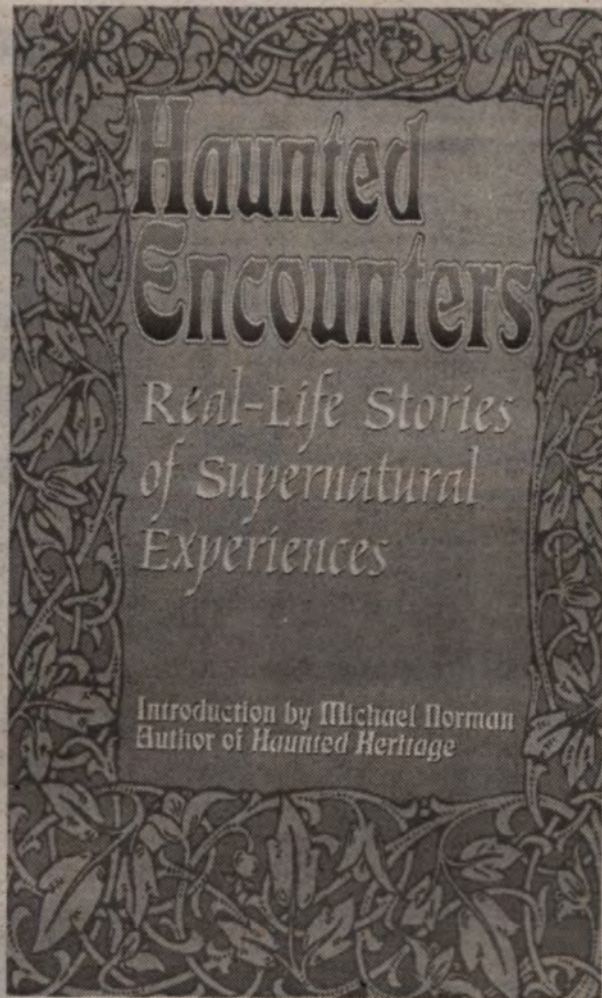
The 46 stories which comprise the book come from across America, and even include a few from Ireland, England and Scotland.

Inside, readers will find stories ranging from the spirit of an old sea-captain in Massachusetts who leaves a puddle of salt water when he visits the home's present-day occu-

pants, to a visit from a departed family pet to wish his owners a final farewell, and the voice of a young girl who died under tragic circumstances.

Haunted Encounters is the first release of Atriad Press, based in Dallas. The firm was founded in 2002 by a group of principle partners with extensive backgrounds in writing and publishing. Atriad Press says the stories are not "tales of the hook, campfire ghost stories," but rather are encounters that ordinary people have had with the spirit world.

To date, over 30 authors have signed on to participate in the Salado Book Fair, with more expected in the next few weeks. To inquire about booth space, or for more information, contact James Lee of Salado Press, Inc., at 947-0080 or e-mail lee@saladopress.com.



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The Salado Intermediate School Cheerleading Squad attended a local Cheerleading Camp, July 14 put on by the Salado High School Varsity cheerleaders. The girls learned the different moves and cheers for the 2003-2004 school year. The girls were also taught voice projection techniques. (Photo by Schuyler Kuykendall)

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By CHRIS MCGREGOR
STAFF WRITER

A lot can happen in 52 years.

Just ask Dr. Charles Aiken. Since his graduation from the Texas A&M School of Veterinary Medicine in 1951, the Cold War has thawed, the economy has boomed and fizzled a few times and computers have emerged to become indispensable tools in daily life.

Indeed, much has changed and transpired in these past five decades. But for Aiken, a Salado native, and his fellow classmates one thing has remained fairly constant: every year or so the old Aggies get together from all across



The Class of 1951 Texas A&M School of Veterinary Medicine.

the state for an informal reunion of sorts.

This year, for the very first time, they decided to gather away from the College Station traffic.

Dr. Aiken suggested his hometown.

"The guys just wanted a place that wasn't so crowded," Aiken said. "I thought Salado would be

a good location this year." The reunion was held this past weekend, with headquarters at the Stagecoach Inn.

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The July Bell County Jamboree will feature the following performers: Madlyon Oppermann of Temple; John Bailey of Temple; and J.C. Holloway of Killeen.

Gene Snow will perform songs from his second CD, "Sow the Seeds" and also some

tunes from his debut CD. He hosts a radio morning show, "Prayerline 1400" on KTEM every Sunday. In addition, he produces concerts, such as the upcoming Powersource Music Fest on Aug. 23.

The vocal performers will be backed by the Bell County Jamboree Band, with TerryLynn Schrimsher on guitar and vocals, Roy Robbins on lead guitar and vocals, Sharon Murrah on keyboards and vocals, Don George on fiddle, Richard Schrimsher on drums

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What I did at my high school reunion

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All the guys named Richard were now called Dick. All Bobbys were Bob. All Williams were Bill. All Tommys were Tom. All Freddie's were Fred. All Donalds were Don.

Some of the people I wouldn't be caught dead with in high school are now my newest best friends.

I attended a reunion of my class at Arlington Heights High School in Fort Worth. Some members of the class hadn't changed much. Some of the others I didn't even recognize. Thank goodness for name tags.

Our class has become closer and friendlier since graduation. We have two dinners a year in different cities plus full scale reunions every five years. This year's event was a doozy. About 150 people showed up. Not bad for a class that had 242 graduates. The list of dead-classmates has 46 names.

During the past year,

class members were sent emails containing forms to fill out, telling about their lives and the lives of their spouses and children. We were asked to make any comments about how things had changed since we were in high school.

At registration we were all given loose leaf notebooks full of information about the reunion itself, biographies of fellow students, special memories, facts, songs and yells of AHHS and a complete listing of everybody in the class with current addresses, telephone numbers and email addresses. We had a website that listed names of people who would be at the reunion.

One of my good best high school friends who lives in Las Vegas, Nevada couldn't be there, but a letter from him was delivered to me at the reunion. I couldn't believe he sounded so old. His letter was full of stuff like "if you ever get to Vegas (better hurry with our age) please look us up." It went on to

list all his ailments. Sorry, Gabby.

The class has done well. There is a handful of doctors, lawyers and accountants and a whole bunch of engineers and people with their own businesses. I interviewed only one of my classmates for my radio program: a folk singer and storyteller who sells legal insurance for most of her income.

One guy (who wasn't at the reunion) wrote speeches for Jimmy Carter and Bill Clinton and lived at the Playboy mansion while helping Hugh Hefner write a book. Several classmates have lived in foreign countries or at least traveled there.

The reunion was fun! We hardly spoke of old times, though. We were interested in getting up to speed on what everybody was doing or had done. There were no stars, no cliques. Everybody was glad to get together.

During the weekend we had Mexican Food at Joe T. Garcia's, free time to explore Ft Worth attractions and a lazy afternoon at a class member's lake home. After a barbeque meal, a few of us took a leisurely boat ride around Eagle Mountain Lake at sunset.

We left looking forward to the next reunion in five years.

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

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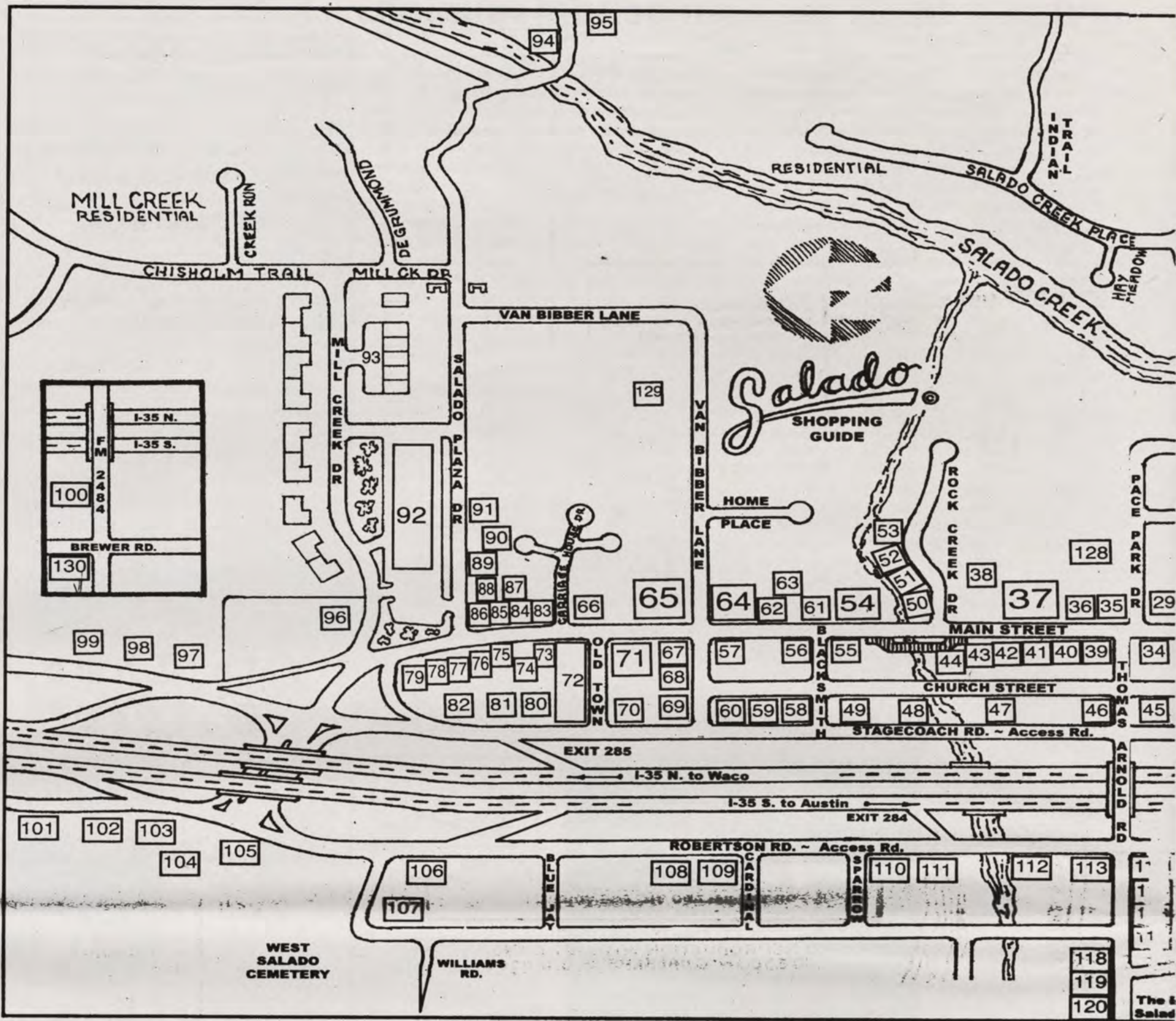
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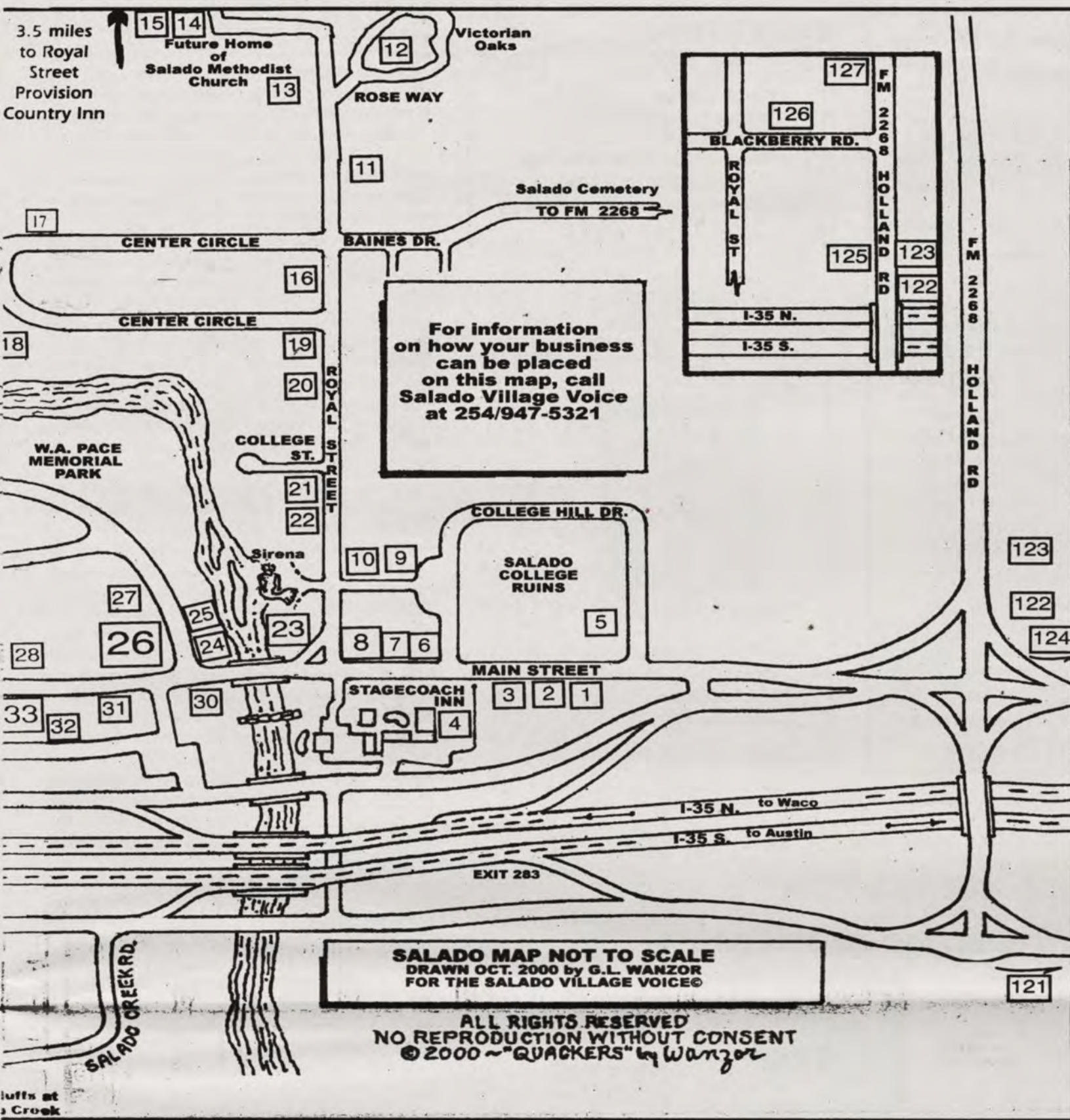
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This article is the first in a series from the Central Texas Water Supply Corporation.

Water consumption a concern with summer temps soaring

LINDA FUCHS,
COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT

Water Conservation: How Does Your Home Check Out?

The availability of water now and in the future should be a concern for everyone. In most areas of the country and most of the time, water has been readily available. The situation is changing. There are constantly new demands on our water supply. Sometimes that supply may be less than at other times because of climatic conditions such as a drought, a disaster, or just a breakdown in the water system.

How much water do you use in a day? Few people know how much they use. Water use ranges from 66 to 118 gallons per person per day with urban households using larger amounts.

Your water usage could be reduced considerably if you follow these top five water saving tips.

1. Fix leaks: stop leaks in faucets, toilets and irrigation systems. Make repairs promptly. These problems get worse, never better.

2. Replace old shower heads and toilets

with water saver models.

3. Purchase a water saving washer replacing a 40 gallon/load washer with an energy star that uses 18-25 gallons/load.

4. Change behaviors. Use less water, reuse water and use waterless ways to complete tasks. Urge family members to

take four minute showers instead of tub baths. Showers, especially those filled with flow restrictors or low volume heads usually use less water than a bath.

5. Reduce water use in landscape. Plant native and low water-use plants.

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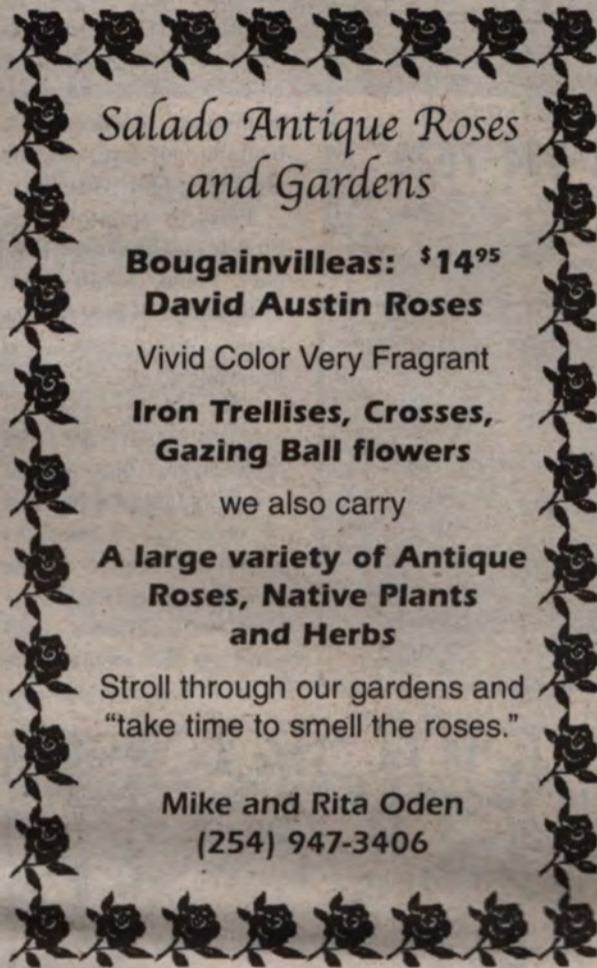
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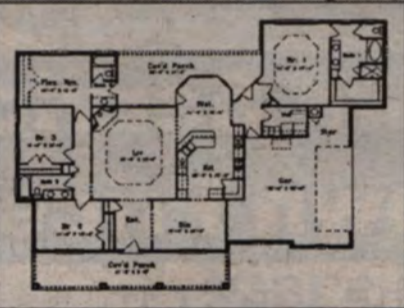
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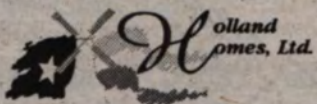


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Perry chosen finalist in National American Miss Texas Pageant

Zoni Perry, an eighth grader at Salado Intermediate School, has been chosen as a State Finalist in the National American Miss Texas Pageant to be held, Aug. 3-4 at the Hotel Intercontinental, Dallas. The pageant is held for girls ages 13-15.



Zoni Perry

Perry's activities include cheerleading, modeling, horseback riding, babysitting, and reading. She also enjoys going to the gym, swimming, science class, hanging out with friends and riding four-wheelers.

Perry is sponsored by First Texas Brokerage, Harold's Piano, South Main Cafe, David Matthews, Dr. Doug Willingham, and Rosanky's.

The winner of the pageant will receive a \$1,000 cash award, the official crown and banner, bouquet of roses, and air transportation to compete in the national pageant at Disneyland in California. Pageants are held in each state

for girls ages four to 18, in five age groups.

The National American Miss pageants are dedicated to celebrating America's greatness and encouraging its future leaders. Each year, the pageant awards thousands in scholarship and prizes to recognize and assist the development of young women nationwide. All activities are age-appropriate and family-oriented.

The National American Miss pageants are for "Today's Girl" and "Tomorrow's Leaders." The pageant program is based on inner beauty, as well as poise, presentation, and offers an "All-American spirit of fun for family, and friends." Emphasis is placed on the importance of gaining self-confidence, learning new skills, learning good attitudes about competition, and setting and achieving personal goals. The pageant seeks to recognize the accomplishments of each girl while encouraging her to set goals for the future.

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Of the 67 that walked across the stage with Aiken, 38 are still around. They're spread across the Southwest, so initially, because of distance and career constraints, it wasn't possible for them to meet annually.

With the years creeping up, that's begun to change. "We used to meet every 10 years," said Aiken. "But now we got some age on us, so we've decided to make it a yearly gathering."

Aiken himself resides in Georgetown, where he practiced veterinary medicine for 44 years. He has deep Salado roots, though. His great-grandfather was Col. Herman Aiken, a familiar name to those conversant with Salado history.

For those not, Col. Aiken was one of the prominent pioneers in the founding and development of Salado. He served in the Army of the Republic of Texas and fought in the Mexican-American War and, like most of the Aikens after him, is buried in Salado.

"He was about the third one to settle here," explained Aiken. Col. Aiken purportedly arrived after Archibald Willingham and Col. E.S.C. Robertson, whose donation of land to build Salado College established the town.

The two-story Aiken family farmhouse, constructed many years ago, still stands, adjacent to Robertson's Hams. Charles Aiken was born in the home in 1925, and attended Salado schools in what is now the Civic Center until graduating high school in 1942. "We had 14 in our graduating class," he remembers.

With World War II raging, Aiken, like most young men of his generation, entered the service, joining the Navy in 1943.

"After I left the Navy, I went to school on the G.I. Bill. That's how I was able to attend Texas A&M," Aiken recalls. That was the case with his classmates, as well. A full 95 percent of them are veterans of World War II.

He says that although he enjoys returning to his native stomping grounds, Salado is nothing like it was in his youth, when the chief livelihood was farming and no one toyed with the idea of tourism.

"Everyone in town farmed," he said. "That's what we did. There really were no tractors, either. Most everyone used mules."

But the changes Salado has undergone aren't so lamentable, Aiken says. "In Salado, we can relax and our wives can shop. It's good to see everyone again, and that's the main thing we wanted to do."

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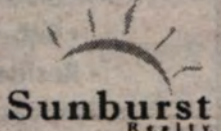


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Summer Chores

This is a Hammer

by Samantha Mazzotta

Question: Are there any "must-do" home improvement or maintenance tasks that you recommend during the summer months?

Answer: Unlike spring and fall, there aren't as many tasks that must be done every summer. However, if you have a fireplace, it is absolutely essential that you inspect the firebox and chimney, and have it professionally cleaned.

During the colder months, a residue called creosote builds up inside the flue and chimney. This lumpy, black gunk, a byproduct created by burning the resins in firewood, is a fire hazard, as it can ignite when the buildup gets thick enough. Creosote deposits also contribute to inefficient burning, so a fire won't heat the room as effectively and smoke may not completely exit via the chimney. Inspect the chimney yourself first, so that you have a good idea where potential problem spots lie. Open the damper and use a flashlight to look at the lower part of the chimney and the flue. If it's grimy, have a professional chimney sweep do a complete inspection.

What should a chimney sweep look for? He or she will start with the "flashlight inspection," as well as check that all parts of the fireplace are working properly, including the damper, ash traps and ven-

tilators, and that the firebox is intact. The sweep will do a top-to-bottom chimney inspection, not just for creosote deposits but for other blockages like dislodged mortar or birds' nests. The chimney stack will also get a look, to make sure waterproof flashing is secure and that no damage to the exterior portion of the chimney has occurred.

Why, one might ask, is a chimney sweep a better choice than inspecting the entire chimney yourself? For one thing, they have specialized equipment for the task: Many use small cameras to check the entire chimney, and they can quickly clean the fireplace and chimney while minimizing the mess all that soot and ash can create. A once-a-year cleaning may be well worth the expense.

Just make sure that the chimney sweep you hire is licensed and/or bonded, and that you get a written estimate of any cleaning or repairs after his or her inspection.

And why would anyone pick summer as the best time to clean the chimney? Frankly, because it's not quite "prime time" for chimney sweeps. Many homeowners don't call them until fall, when chilly weather begins to set in and they realize the fireplace will be needed soon. You'll be able to schedule an inspection at a more convenient time during the summer, and you may get a price break, too.

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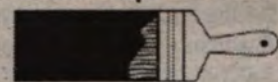


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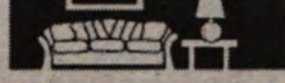
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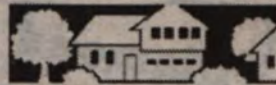


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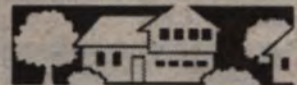
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Land for Sale



Beautiful tree covered 12-44 acre tracts in the gated, restricted Spear's Ranch Development between Salado and Georgetown. Contact Ronnie Tynes, Broker, (512) 461-3370. tfn

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



\$309,000 - Sip coffee from the back porch & watch Salado Creek flow by. This home sits on 3/4 acre on cul-de-sac in Salado Creel Place. Magnificent views from the living, kitchen & master BR. Open kitchen, living, * breakfast area. Heavily wooded lot provides privacy while close to downtown.



Salado's Home Team

Rita Oden	718-7956
Sue Ellen Slagel	760-3226
Ann Carroll	760-0101
Melanie Kirchmeier	760-5855



\$238,000 - 4 BR, 2-1/2 BA, 2 car + golf cart garage, formal dining, breakfast room, all on wooded 1 acre lot in the heart of Mill Creek. Quality construction, designed with energy efficiency in mind.



\$159,900 - Great location...beautiful corner lot in Mill Creek. Large open kitchen, dining, living areas. Loft upstairs is perfect play room or T.V. room.



\$479,500 - Located on #9 Fairway in Mill Creek, this home overlooks the golf course & Salado Creek. Perfect for entertaining, with two living, two dining, large kitchen, wet bar, butler's pantry, raised ceilings, fireplace. Master suite, hot tub, all downstairs. Upstairs is a game room, two bedrooms and a bath. There is also an air conditioned office off the garage.



\$699,900 - Plate glass windows across the back of this home allow the view of the pool, valley & rolling countryside. Solar heated negative edge pool. 7 acre lot with three stall barn. Property is entirely fenced for horses. Your guests can stay in the separate apartment & enjoy their privacy. Large workshop for the handy man/woman. Propane fireplace in Master Bedroom.

Residential

- \$49,500 - 3 BR, 1 BA with fenced back yard.
- \$59,999 - 3 BR, 1 BA updated home in Belton.
- \$83,500 - Nice manufactured home on 5 acres.
- \$93,000 - 3 B, 2 BA home in Temple w/deck & pool - UC.
- \$109,800 - New Construction! Tile, backsplash. 3BR/2 BA.
- \$119,900 - 3 BR home. Front & back porches & metal shop.
- \$128,800 - New in Salado Prairies. Vaulted ceilings - UC.
- \$128,800 - Jimmy Wilson home w/ elegant archway - SOLD.
- \$131,800 - New mid-size home on 1 acre.
- \$138,500 - 1.83 acres. 3 BR/2BA with open living/dining.
- \$139,900 - Austin stone with metal roof. 3 BR, 2 BA - UC.
- \$139,900 - 3 BR, 2 BA on golf course. Game room over garage.
- \$148,500 - 3 BR, 2 BA home on 2.66 acres - UC.
- \$149,000 - Copper fireplace, spiral staircase on wooded lot.
- \$153,500 - Country living on 2 acres. Oversized garage.
- \$149,900 - 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.
- \$159,900 - "Orange Lady's Home" fronts golf course & creek.
- \$169,800 - Charming 2 BR/ 2 BA with separate office building.
- \$172,900 - Beautiful lot. pool. Split bedrooms - UC.
- \$191,000 - Custom home has 2 master suites w/ large baths.
- \$198,500 - Austin Stone on 2 acres - Under Contract
- \$199,800 - 3 BR, 2 BA home on 2 acres in Hidden Springs.

- \$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
- \$235,000 - Original B&B built on 13.34 acres - UC.
- \$238,000 - 4 BR/2-1/2 BA on 1 wooded acre in Mill Creek.
- \$247,500 - Overlooking 14th Fairway, gameroom - SOLD
- \$287,500 - Elegant comfortable home on 4 acres - UC
- \$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.
- \$309,000 - 3 BR, 2-1/2 BA on Salado Creek Place cul-de-sac.
- \$349,500 - New home with view of Salado Creek & golf course.
- \$389,000 - 3 BR, 2 BA home on quiet street, close to town.
- \$469,500 - 4 BR 4-1/2 BA, game room, 3 car garage.
- \$479,500 - On #9 Fairway, overlooks golf course & creek.
- \$699,900 - Country living, pool, 7 acres, barn, workshop.
- \$895,000 - 4 BR fronting the Lampasas River - UC
- \$1,450,000 - Executive 4 BR home on Salado Creek.

Commercial Property

- \$246,500 - Retail space on Main St. 2090 SF w/office & BA.
- \$249,500 - 3 BR with showroom & workshop, on 1.23 acres.
- \$429,000 - 5.66 acres commercial property off Main Street.

Acreage Available

- 140 acres located 10 miles northwest of Georgetown. Part coastal, cultivation, well fenced, 2 stock ponds, lots of paved road frontage, pecan orchard. Huge metal implement bldg.

- with living quarters.
- 140 acres on Hwy 36 at Temple Airport, all or part.
- 50 acres in deer country, wooded, good road frontage.
- 38.78 acres FM 2843, 8 mile west, beautiful trees. \$190,000.
- 15.796 acres fronting FM 2268 with young trees.
- 12 acres between Salado and Florence. All woods, spring, secluded, view. \$49,000.
- 8.77 acres on I-35 at crossover, Exit 286 at Salado.
- Last 5 acres in restricted subdivision - UC

Lots

- Mill Creek Lots**
- 808 Mill Creek Dr. - \$30,000
- 700 Indian Trail - \$30,000
- Mill Creek Springs - \$30 - \$75,000
- Hester Way - \$55,000
- Jack Nicklaus Circle - \$90,000
- Fletcher Ct. - \$68,000
- 700 Willow Creek - \$36,000 - UC.
- Lot 1 Club Circle - \$35,000
- Other Lots**
- Royal Oaks - \$30,000 - Under Contract
- Royal Oaks - \$31,500 - SOLD
- Rita Bend Drive - \$39,900
- Windy Hill Ranch - 2 acre lots - \$55,000 to \$90,000
- Hidden Springs**
- Lot 82 - 4.87 acres - \$83,000

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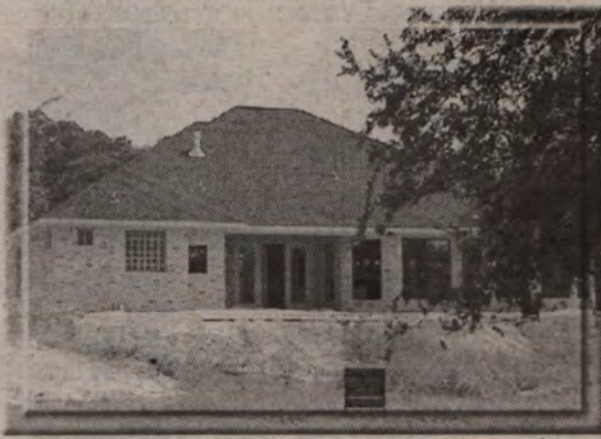
Charming country home west of Salado. 3 BR/2 BA with tile and hardwood flooring. Large fenced back yard. **\$89,500.**



Great four bedroom house with formal dining. Fenced yard with covered porch. Like new! Priced at **\$159,900.**



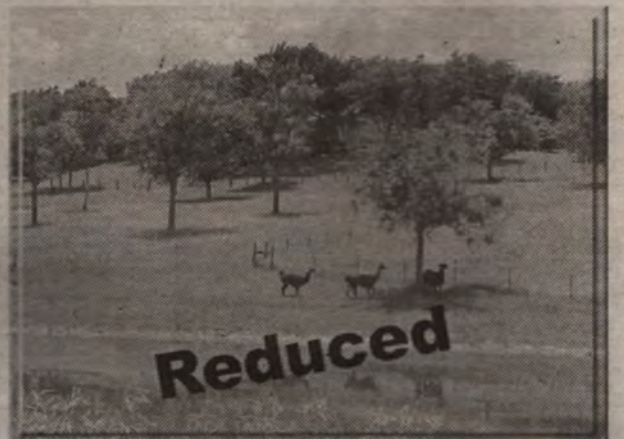
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Secluded country home with over 4,400 SF in main house 5+ BR, 4 BA, 3 car garage, workshop, gameroom, storage and more on 10-1/2 acres. **\$437,000.**



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



Excellent commercial location on corner of West Village Road & IH 35 at Exit 285. **\$239,900.**

Acreage

- Lots w/ sewage & water on Shady Lane. **\$10,000/lot.**
- Approximately 2 acres near golf course in Mill Creek. Beautiful trees. **\$38,995.**
- 2 acre lot sw of Salado. Beautiful trees. Excellent homesite. **\$28,900.**
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- 2.7 acres fronting FM 2843. **\$29,900** or 1.35 acres for **\$20,000.**
- 3.018 acres on FM 2843. Large pecan trees & live water on Butter Milk Creek. **\$39,900.**
- 3 BR/2 BA mobile home on 3.5 acres w/ hilltop view overlooking valley and lake. **\$50,000.**
- 3.5 acres with septic & water. **\$38,000.**
- 3.52 acres, mostly wooded. **\$49,900.**
- 4 acres SW of Salado. Beautiful trees. Excellent homesite. **\$56,800.**
- 5.13 acres sw of Salado. Beautiful trees. Excellent homesite. **Reduced to \$44,900.**
- 20 acres sw of Salado on Buttermilk Creek. Heavily wooded with Great views. Priced at **\$125,000.**
- 29 acres sw of Salado on Buttermilk Creek. Priced at \$7,000 per acre. Beautiful Trees and outstanding wildlife.
- 51 acres Buttermilk Creek, spectacular views, excellent tree coverage, sw of Salado.
- 53 acres south of Salado. **\$2,990/acre.**
- 130 acres Rolling hills with great views. **\$4,500/acre.**



245 acres priced at \$6,000 per acre. beautiful rolling hills with large live oak trees and a 3 acre lake. Outstanding development opportunity.

- 928 acres sw of Salado. Beautiful rolling tree country w/ live creek & large lake on property. Excellent views. Outstanding wildlife.
- Three 250 acre tracts ssw of Salado. Beautiful rolling hills w/large trees, live creek and water tank. Excellent views & deer country. **\$2,500/acre.**
- 250 acres, 3 lakes hilltop views w/appro. 60 acres of woods. **\$1,950/acre. SOLD**
- 425 acres, 3 lakes almost 2+ miles of road frontage. Approximately 40-50 acres of woods with balance of native pasture & fields. Roads on 3 sides. **\$1,950/acre. SOLD**



Gorgeous tree covered corner lot with 3BR/2BA home in a prime location of Mill Creek. **\$169,900.**

Salado Lots

- Indian Trail at Blaylock, lg corner lot, 90x188 - **\$36,000.**
- Indian Trail - 90x188 - **\$34,000.**
- Mill Creek Lot - **\$39,900.**

Belton

- Nice 2 BR/2BA doublewide with large living and formal dining. Fenced yard - **\$39,000.**

Commercial

- 3 acres commercial property fronting I-35, Phase 3. **\$89,900.**
- Excellent Commercial: location on corner of West Village Rd. & IH-35 at exit 285. - **\$239,900.**