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Hometown newspaper read by David and Kay Matthews

Zoning issue with Hanks property turns rancorous during meeting

By CHRIS MCGREGOR
STAFF WRITER

By voting July 24 to not recommend a change in zoning requested by Freda Hanks, the Village of Salado Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee set the table for what could be a rancorous and costly ordeal for both Hanks and the Village.

Hanks is the owner of a 51-acre tract of land, 15 acres of which lie within the village boundaries and are classified as SF-7 (single family residential). Her intent is to develop the property into a complex featuring high-end housing, retail, a hotel/health spa and a retirement center. She would like the zoning adjusted to allow for multi-family units.

Her design had originally called for a restaurant on the property, but concerns levelled at the June 17 public hearing by residents of the Linda Ventura subdivision, which abuts the Hanks property, led her to potentially scrap the restaurant idea altogether, as an attempt to compromise.

For perspective, the

property is located just east of I-35 near the FM 2268 intersection. Although she didn't specify a dollar amount, Hanks claims that many thousands of dollars to date have been spent on the development. There are already eight lakes on the property, many with large fountains, and a number of sites cleared and ready for construction.

In a June 14 letter to the Village, Hanks stated the land has been in development for over seven years, and that "the project was designed to fit Salado and will definitely produce long-term revenue for the village."

At Hanks' invitation, the steering committee toured the proposed development along with Hanks, her son, Billie Hanks, Jr. and Terry Weaver, a land developer hired by the Hanks, to view what the property will look like.

They spoke to the committee from an area which would have been the parking lot for the proposed restaurant. Many homes in the neighboring Linda Ventura subdivision were clearly visible. Their pre-

liminary design plan for that portion of the property does not include a road directly accessing Holland Road. All traffic from that end would be routed through the subdivision.

A preliminary proposal by the Hanks includes placing a three-story multifamily residential complex in place of the restaurant.

"It's not going to be a slum," Weaver cautioned. "It's going to be high-end development." He likened the proposed dwellings to those he had worked on in Vail, Colorado.

Hanks, Jr. said that nothing about the design will resemble apartments, because in order to maximize their yield on the land that would have contained a restaurant, high-end would be their only option. "Because of the complaints about the restaurant," he said, "we're making a big switch to try to compromise."

Hanks also pointed out to the committee that the complex will also contain its own sewage treatment facility.

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Hulda Horton dips up ice cream brought to the Chamber of Commerce ice cream social by Jessie and Wilbur Foster. The ice cream social was held in the park July 24. (Photo by Marilyn Fleischer)

Art Fair is here Aug. 2-3

Merchants and artists alike, from Salado and across the Southwest, are gearing up for the 37th Annual Salado Art Fair, Aug. 2-3 in Pace Park. Hours for the Art Fair will be 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Aug. 2 and 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Aug. 3.

Approximately 120 artists and artisans from around Texas will be on hand, from the mediums of oil, watercolors, acrylics, pastels, photography and mixed media, all the way to sculpture, woodworks, glassworks, jewelry, metal

work and handmade clothing.

As it goes every year, numerous local groups will also be present at the Fair. The Salado Volunteer Fire Dept. will man the first aid booth, the Ladies Auxiliary will work the gate, the Lions Club and Rotary will be on hand, the Salado Public Library will have their book tent and the Salado Strutters will be selling concessions as a fundraiser.

A children's tent sponsored by Salado Pottery

will have free creative activities for youngsters. There is free parking throughout the village with shuttle buses to the show.

Admission to the Art Fair is \$3, with children 12 and under admitted free. Parking is free throughout Salado.

For more information about the 37th Annual Salado Art Fair or the historic village of Salado, call the Salado Chamber of Commerce at (254) 947-5040 or visit www.salado.com.

Village aldermen work on \$500K budget

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Eyeing a 2003-04 budget deficit of at least \$21,000, Salado aldermen approved five percent raises for all five Village employees during their July 24 meeting.

The board approved the pay increases following a half-hour executive session. The impact of the pay raises is included in working budgets that the aldermen are considering.

Aldermen are trimming expenses on two budgets. One budget presupposes that the Village will pay off the debt it owes on the Municipal Building before the beginning of the 2003-2004 fiscal year. The other escalates principal payment on the building to pay off the debt in 2007.

Should the Village pay off the debt on the municipal building before the

beginning of the 2003-04 fiscal year, aldermen will have to amend the current year budget by ordinance. If the board chooses to do this, it will reduce the general fund balance at the end of the fiscal year from \$229,938 to \$145,545.

Aldermen looked over spreadsheets for the two approaches to the budget next year.

The first budget would include principal and interest payments of \$21,840 for the municipal building. It also earmarks \$60,000 for future land/building to bring the total for the municipal building cost to \$91,530.

Plan A, as it is referred to on the spreadsheet, begins with a fund balance of \$229,938 and ends the fiscal year with a fund balance of \$116,937.

Plan A estimates revenue of \$475,900, including \$280,000 in sales tax rev-

enues, \$108,000 in franchise fees and \$14,100 in development fees. Plan B and Plan C parallel these revenues.

With total revenues available of \$705,838, Plan A has \$588,901 in expenses.

All budget plans call for an increase in the police department budget of almost \$17,000, despite a savings of \$31,225 spent this year for a new police truck. The police department budget increases to \$199,332 to accommodate hiring a fourth officer on the police force and incorporating the five percent pay increases for the existing three officers.

In discussion of the budget, Alderman Vic Means asked if the fourth officer was a critical need. He said that he thinks that hiring a city manager for Salado in the coming years will become a critical issue

for the village.

Maintenance costs are proposed to increase almost \$8,000 to \$78,240. This includes a \$10,000 increase in resurfacing of roads, and an increase in parks of \$5,000. Signage was decreased by more than \$7,000.

Rick Ashe told the other aldermen that he was requesting the increase in road resurfacing to escalate the number of roads that the Village will have resurfaced by the Bell County Road department.

The maintenance budget also increases the cost for maintaining and improving Pace Park to \$27,000. This includes \$12,000 paid to the Salado Chamber of Commerce to operate Pace Park and \$15,000 for playground equipment in the Park.

Ashe said that the total for new playground equip-

ment will be \$25,000 with \$10,000 coming from the current year budget and \$15,000 for the 2003-04 budget. Almost \$7,000 in additional funds were raised by volunteers for the playground equipment and in-kind donations have been made by the Public Arts League of Salado (PALS).

Ashe said that work on the playground equipment in Pace Park will begin after Oct. 1, the first day of the 2003-04 fiscal year.

Budget Plan A also includes \$12,000 in contingency and \$25,000 in capital outlay for two emergency sirens to be placed within the village limits. Jackie Mills asked, "what says we have to have the sirens?"

Mayor Charlotte Douglass said that the Village should consider the sirens for the safety and well-being of the citizens of Salado.

"What happens if the electricity is out, so there is no television to warn us?" she said.

During the meeting, aldermen cut approximately \$10,000 from the working budgets, including \$3,000 from legal fees and \$4,000 in engineering fees. The board added \$1,000 in maintenance costs to the working budgets.

Year-to-date glance

Village treasurer Eldon Miller presented aldermen with a quarterly report for both the general fund and the hotel/motel occupancy fund.

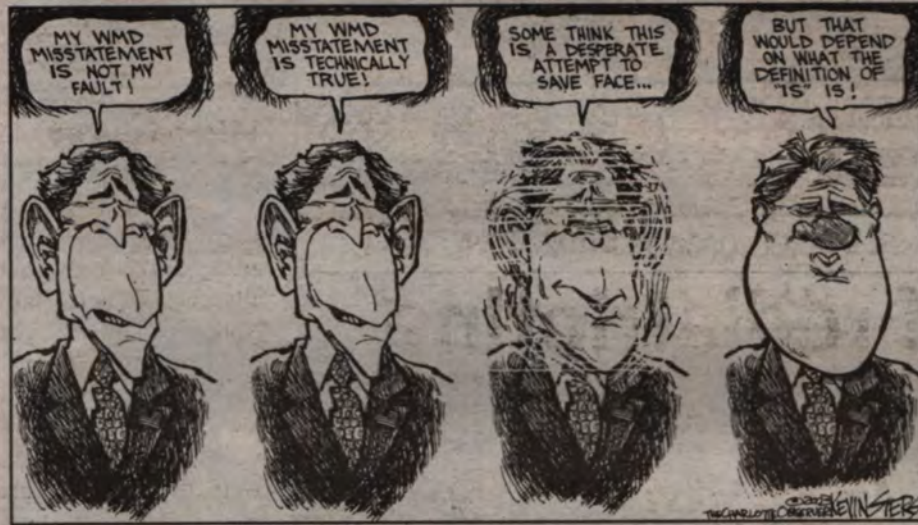
Despite a decline of more than \$38,000 in revenues, the Village is still more than \$5,000 in the black comparing expenses to revenues.

Through June, the Vil-

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FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



Bush, the Campaign-Finance Reformer

After nearly a decade of hard work, advocates of campaign-finance reform can finally rejoice. Campaign-finance nirvana has arrived! It's called the George W. Bush re-election campaign.

For years, reform advocates told us that unregulated, large contributions -- so-called "soft money" -- were the root of all evil in financing U.S. elections. They allegedly allowed "fat cat" special interests to "buy" candidates. Campaign-finance reformer Sen. John McCain called soft money nothing more than "a political shakedown."

The McCain-Feingold campaign-finance reform bill was signed into law in 2002 with the enthusiastic support of Democrats, marking the achievement of a key liberal ambition. The law banned soft money in order to place more emphasis on "hard money" -- regulated donations strictly limited to \$2,000 per person. (The law is probably unconstitutional -- a topic for another day.)

Now, as *National Review* reporter Byron York has pointed out, Bush is tightly following the fund-raising script written by reform advocates. He's raising funds in \$2,000 bites at large events drawing on real people interested in supporting his campaign.

For this, Bush should be on the verge of winning the endorsement of The Center for Public Integrity, a high-profile Washington-based organization behind campaign-finance reform.

Instead, Bush's campaign is drawing criticism for raising money exactly the way campaign reformers have always said it should be raised.

"It's the most coldblooded and efficient way of raising money in the history of politics," Charles Lewis, head of The Center for Public Integrity, has huffed. "These aren't your average Americans. They're the most well-heeled interests, with vested interests in government."

Liberal *New York Times* columnist Bob

The Rich Lowry Column

Herbert brays that Bush fund-raising dinners are "events at which the fat cats throw millions of dollars at the president to reinforce their already impenetrable ring of influence around the national government."

Campaign-finance reformers have redefined "fat cat." It no longer means someone who gives a six- or seven-figure political contribution and doesn't feel the difference in his pocketbook. It is anyone who contributes to the Bush campaign.

This definitional adjustment has been necessary because the post-campaign finance-reform era starkly demonstrates how the Republican Party is the party of the small donor. Otherwise, Bush would have no chance of meeting his goal of raising up to \$200 million before next year's GOP convention. It is the Democrats, the party of the trial lawyers and unions, who are dependent on "fat cat" contributions.

This is why so many Democrats now rue the day that they voted for the McCain-Feingold bill. They let their taste for regulating everything, including political donations, get the best of their partisan self-interest.

The fact is that Republicans are simply better at campaign-finance reform than Democrats. No wonder campaign-finance reformers are now retooling their attacks on big donations to make them attacks on small donations. The George W. Bush re-election campaign isn't the cause they intended to help.

SPOTLIGHT ON AUSTIN!

Will Perry call another session? Will Demos refuse to show up? Will "Bugsy" DeLay blow his top? Will redistricting ever go away?

The first special session of the 78th Legislature ended yesterday - July 29, and at this column's deadline it appears that Lt. Governor David Dewhurst's prediction last Friday was correct: "Redistricting is dead for this special session."

It was not known at press time if Governor Perry had called a second session.

Old Rick the Reluctant has unofficially promised to keep calling these 30 day "specials" until he and Master Puppeteer Tom "Bugsy" DeLay get the redistricting boundaries they want.

Question immediately arises - "Will the 12 unhappy Senators take a hike and not show for the second session?" Without a quorum the upper house cannot open for business - even if the rules are later changed to allow for a simple majority vote to pass the redistricting fiasco.

Old Rick is flirting with some dangerous dynamite called "public opinion" as he giggles happily at the thought of exercising the power of his office. What he has apparently forgotten to check is the current polls that indicate nearly 70 percent of all Texans (in both parties) have had enough of the redistricting foolishness and believe it is "time to send lawmakers home."

GUV SENDS

STRAYHORN MESSAGE

Speaking of power - did you note how Dewhurst, (urged on by Perry) and other cohorts in the Senate "spanked" their tough old grandma (aka - Comptroller Carole Strayhorn), by passing Senate Bill 22 - the resurrected government reorganization plan?

The proposal stole two of Carole's most potent political toys - the high profile "e-Texas" research project that announces loudly and publicly where State money is being misspent. Also snatched was the Public Schools performance reviews, always handled by the Comptroller's Office with appropriate political fanfare.

Despite the fact that the reorganization plan failed in the House of Representatives a day after winning approval in the Senate - the message was clear. The Guv and Dewhurst had not forgotten Strayhorn's tweaking their collective noses, when she temporarily refused to certify the budget back in May.

Perry and his pals in the Senate had hoped to move the two programs over to the Legislative Budget Board - which not surprisingly is appointed by the House and Senate. This, in effect, told Strayhorn - "Gotcha." "Now behave yourself in the future."

Although the plot failed and nothing stolen (yet) from the Comptroller's Office, we suspect what it actually did was embed this slap-in-the-face deep into Strayhorn's legendary and retributory memory.

Don't you love it when Republicans fight among themselves? Reckon Demos are pointing "copy-cat" fingers at GOPers for all this internecine "fun and games?"

QUOTE FROM CHET EDWARDS

A purely partisan quote from Salado's Congressman Chet Edwards (District 11) who replied when asked, for the thousandth time, his opinion about the hundreds of maps that inately cut up the state: "My friends, the best redistricting map - is no map at all!"

We'll leave it like that - adding only that the best legislative session is always the one that sends lawmakers home for at least two years - without extra sessions.

Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



OTHER HIGHLIGHTS: STRAYHORN IS ONE MAD "GRANDMA." PUPPET PERRY'S POPULARITY SLIPPING. CHET EDWARDS SAYS "BEST MAP - IS NO MAP AT ALL." POLLS INDICATE PUBLIC IS TIRED OF EXPENSIVE "DO-NOTHING" SPECIAL SESSIONS.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT VOTE SET FOR SEPTEMBER 13

It seems all but impossible for legislators to just finish up a regular session and leave the rest of us in peace. They traditionally leave behind a bunch of constitutional amendments to be decided. This year being no exception.

On September 13, voters will go to the polls and determine the fate of some 22 potential changes to our basic charter that was adopted back in 1876 - after the carpetbaggers finally left Texas.

Since that time, lawmakers have proposed 583 resolutions to amend the Constitution. Some 409 have been approved, 174 thankfully defeated.

As a regular service to readers of the *Salado Village Voice*, each proposed Amendment will be presented (over the next six weeks), complete with "pros and cons," as analyzed by the non-partisan Texas Legislative Council. Ending up with this column's recommendation - for whatever that's worth.

AMENDMENT ONE

Amendment One would, if passed, allow the Veterans' Land Board to issue Revenue Bonds to build and maintain homes for aged and infirm Texas veterans. Principal and interest for these facilities would come from surplus receipts in both the veterans' land and housing assistance funds.

There is apparently little opposition to this amendment since only money generated by the two funds can be used to build the much needed Living-Centers for older vets, thus obviating use of tax dollars. The only drawback would be a decline in revenue from the land and housing funds which are historically sound. In that unexpected case, the full faith and credit of the State would come into play. Translation: taxpayers pick up the tab.

This is a well thought out addition to our constitution and is fiscally sound. It is also proper in that it provides decent living quarters for our veterans who have given so much to Texas and the nation.

Highly recommend passage of Amendment One.

AMENDMENT TWO

Current law allows former owners of land and mineral interests (oil, gas, etc), whose "interests" have been sold for unpaid taxes, to "redeem" their property within six months after repaying back taxes and associated costs to the new owners.

Amendment Two would extend the redemption period of mineral interests to two years, but does not allow the same extension for homesteads and agricultural holdings.

This is not a well defined change in our laws and certainly would discourage investors from purchasing mineral interests at tax sales. It's patently unfair to force people, who buy these mineral rights, to wait two years for clear title.

This proposal will obviously hinder the sale of mineral interests for back taxes. It would also keep these properties off tax rolls for a longer period of time, which is unfair to other taxpayers.

Recommend this amendment be defeated.

That's -30-

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Union disclosures: The Big Freeze

By JACK FARIS

The year 1959 doesn't stand out in the annals of American history as particularly interesting, but a handful of occurrences back then left their mark. Alaska became the 49th state, Fidel Castro seized power in Cuba and Congress created a law designed to end union corruption.

Back when Ike was president and cars had fins, there was agreement on Capitol Hill that something had to be done to thwart illegal union activity. Lawmakers, both Democrats and Republicans, approved the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act, which included form LM-2, requiring unions to report expenses. But according to recent testimony by the National Legal and Policy Center, the forms aren't very helpful in shedding light on union spending.

Georgia Representative Charlie Norwood, in a statement before the House Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, said the reporting and disclosure provisions of the act are failures because the nearly half-century old LM-2 form only requires that expenses be listed in broad categories, thereby allowing for illegal or questionable disbursements.

But U.S. Secretary of Labor Elaine Chao has decided to turn up the heat and add some light for the little guys. Recently, she launched a formal effort to revise the LM-2 form so that, for the first time, union members will be able to examine financial transactions of joint trusts and subsidies managed by their unions.

Secretary Chao's proposed update would not only give union members

more detailed information about the financial activities of their unions, but do it in an easily understood format that would be made public on the Labor Department Web site. And in a move that must certainly frighten union bosses, she's offering to give them, free of charge, new reporting software.

You can imagine their initial reaction. Chill out, they said. All that reporting and disclosure stuff would create an undue burden on unions, what with having to actually fess up to cash outlays. It's enough to make a small-business owner chuckle. These regulatory changes would be a walk in the park compared to the heavy load of paperwork and massive red tape faced by Main Street businesses.

When did disclosing the way you spend your members' dues money become an undue burden? When you're afraid they might learn that you're spending it in ways they oppose.

Not only will this improved disclosure process help union members exercise their democratic rights, but it will aid them in detecting financial misconduct by their bosses—something Secretary Chao's agency knows about. Investigations of union financial fraud bring an average of 11 criminal convictions a month—more than 640 convictions during the past five years.

Congress should add a little fuel to this fire too. Labor unions can't remain frozen in time. The message to union bosses should be clear: 1959 is history and so are those who laugh at the laws of the land.

Jack Faris is president of the NFIB.



Price of redistricting

Texas taxpayers are paying a high price for an unnecessary Congressional redistricting process: \$57,000 a day, to be exact, for the present special session of the Texas Legislature.

Governor Perry is now threatening to call another 30-day session. There goes another \$1.7 million in taxpayers' money that could be used to improve Texas children's education and health care programs.

As hundreds of Central Texas citizens testified at the State Senate redistricting hearing in Waco two weeks ago, this divisive and expensive process should stop now.

Here are 10 reasons why:

1. A second special session of the Legislature will not only cost Texas taxpayers another \$1.7 million, but also upwards of \$7 million to try to defend a new map in court. How many more children could receive health care for that price?

2. If senior Texans in Congress are defeated by partisan map drawing, the following states would replace Texas' powerful ranking positions (the senior Democrat) on the key Committees of Rules, Military Construction Appropriations, Homeland Security, Agriculture and Science: New York, California, Mississippi, Minnesota and Tennessee. That is an awfully high price to pay in loss of power to other states on Committees so vital to Texas' interests.

3. For half a century, a key to Texas' effectiveness in Congress has been the Texas delegation's fierce bipartisanship on Texas issues. This redistricting process has undermined that bipartisanship. With the Department of Defense and the Veterans Administration in the process of considering numerous closings of military bases and Veterans hospitals, the price of Texas' infighting could be to put at risk major military bases and Veterans hospitals in our state. That would mean more unemployment in Texas

Staying In Touch

by U.S. Representative Chet Edwards



and less health care services for military retirees and veterans. Is a partisan redistricting plan worth that risk?

4. This redistricting process has created a partisan divisiveness in the Texas House that makes even Washington politics look tame. A second special session will just make things worse.

5. Lt. Governor Dewhurst has threatened to undermine a long-standing Texas Senate tradition of requiring a 2/3 vote in the Senate to bring up bills, just to pass a redistricting plan. Former Lt. Governor Bill Hobby, who broke the 2/3 rule in 1979 said after his distinguished 18 years as Lieutenant Governor that his decision in 1979 was by far his single biggest mistake in office. Breaking this bipartisan tradition to pass a partisan redistricting plan will create the kind of divisiveness in the Texas Senate that exists in the Texas House and U.S. Congress.

6. Not only has redistricting cost Texas taxpayers millions of dollars, it has cost thousands of hours. Elected officials and community leaders throughout Texas have had to review 38 different redistricting maps and then repeatedly traveled across the state to testify against those maps for carving up their historic communities of interest. Prolonging redistricting will only continue the disruption of our cities and towns across Texas.

7 After calls from Tom Delay's office, our nation's anti-terrorism agency, the Department of Homeland Security, misused federal resources to track down State Representative Pete Laney, hardly a terrorist threat. That's more taxpayers' dollars down the drain.

8. If Texas Republicans are successful in redistricting now rather than in 2011, then Democrats in states such as California, Oklahoma, Illinois and New Mexico could well retaliate by redistricting to help Democrats in their states. Setting a national precedent of redistricting anytime state legislatures change political majorities would cause an incredible disruption of work in Congress and state legislatures for years to come.

9. As Republican Senator Bill Ratliff observed last week when he said it is time to stop redistricting, "The maps produced so far have indicated a total lack of concern for the communities of interest in rural Texas." I agree. Any redistricting plan coming from a House-Senate Conference Committee could make Central Texas part of districts based in San Antonio, Ft. Worth, Austin and Arlington. That is what the House maps did to us.

10. In the 2002 elections, the Republican statewide ticket carried 20 of the 32 congressional districts in Texas. The present districts are clearly fair to Republican candidates. And, since the U.S. Supreme Court has ruled that Texas' present Congressional districts are constitutional, the price paid for this partisan redistricting process is completely unnecessary.

Enough is enough. Gutting rural areas, costing Texas taxpayers millions of dollars, disrupting Texas communities and federal agencies and undermining Texas' power in Congress is too high a price to pay in the name of Tom DeLay's partisan politics.

Republican State Senator Bill Ratliff was right. It is time to stop redistrict

Fleet Bank pulls fast one



Jim Hightower

I got a note from the swell folks at Fleet, my credit card company. Actually, not a note, but a Notice:

"This Notice is to advise you that the following Arbitration Provision will be added to your Cardholder Agreement," it cheerfully began. Hmm, I thought, arbitration. What needs arbitrating? So I squinted at the tiny print they used in this little four-page notice, which had no eye-catching graphics, no whimsical colors, and none of the chatty style you find in other bill stuffers that the companies really want you to ... well, notice. Indeed, it's as though Fleet didn't truly want me to notice this Notice.

But, I thought, don't be cynical, so I plunged into the prose: "This Arbitration Provision will apply to all claims." Claims? Like what? Down in the fine print Fleet told me. Sort of: "The term 'claim' means any claim, dispute, or controversy between you and us arising from or related to this agreement, any prior agreement that you may have had with us or another credit card issuer from whom we acquired your credit card account or the relationships resulting from the agreement of any prior agreement, including ..." yada, yada, yada.

Whoa, I said aloud, trying to uncross my eyes, what's the bottom line here? Then I found it. Fleet's Notice practically shouted that if I filed any kind of claim against it for fraud, false advertising, invasion of privacy, or whatever, it could deny me "the right to litigate that claim in court or have a jury trial on that claim." Instead, I'd have to go to an arbitration firm of Fleet's choosing, and "The arbitrator's decision will be final," even though "rights that you would have had if you went to court may ...not be available in arbitration" and "the fees charged by the administration may be higher than the fees charged by a court."

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Soccer this fall

Your Voice

Letters to the Editor

To the editor and the Salado community:

Yes, we ARE going to play SOCCER this Fall. Last week's board meeting brought only a few members to the table, but it was a good meeting and the plan is in effect.

The board will meet again 7 p.m. Aug. 5 at the Salado Civic Center. Sign-ups will begin 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Aug. 9 at Brookshire Brothers. Each Saturday morning following that, we will be at Brookshire

Brothers accepting sign up forms until Aug. 23. Of course, the first week of school and some of the events within that week, you will see our faces answering questions and taking sign-up forms as well.

The rates have changed this year: 6 and Under will be \$40 and other age groups will be \$55.

The board will meet Aug. 24 to form teams and notify coaches. The coaches' packages will be

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ready to pick up Aug. 25 at the school. Speaking of coaches, I am hoping for a large number of youngsters to come out for soccer this season. We are going to open up the age brackets to include 12 and Under kids. A lot of great talent is sitting by the wayside with that age group and we want to get them back into Soccer.

So volunteer to be a coach. If a board member calls you and asks you to be a coach, please don't say "no." It is not hard to coach and the kids enjoy you just because you care about them.

There will be 6 and Under, 8 and Under and then -- depending on the

numbers -- 10 and Under which will be combined with 12 and Under.

The season should get kicked off by Sept. 6 and continue until Nov. 8, just in time for Thanksgiving.

Sponsorships are going to be a little different also. Money is tight everywhere, but the sport still needs to go on and we hope to make it even bigger and better in Salado, so these programs are very important. If it is at all possible, sponsor a team or donate any amount. The sponsor plaques are very nice and professionally done to hang proudly in your establishment. Help the kids out and show your

pride in Youth Soccer.

Now to the hard part. The fields are looking much better, but I didn't get the work done I wanted to see. The estimated costs to level and sod the playing fields was in the range of \$40,000. A bit steep to get the work done this summer. My intent is to raise \$50,000 by mid-summer 2004. That means that we need to be conducting fund-raisers throughout the rest of the school year until then.

There needs to be a soccer complex in Salado and I believe you would like to have it also. Aside from looking great in the area, the revenues to local businesses when an invi-

tational or tournament is being held in Salado could be to the advantage of all of the community. Let alone the safety and convenience of having an enclosed park with controlled access and lighting for evening and night games sounds good to me as well.

It can happen, but not without you.

Stephen Meiman
 Salado Youth Soccer

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Schedules almost ready for pick-up

Salado High School students may pick up schedules at the campus next week.

Seniors and Juniors may pick up their fall schedules Aug. 5.

Seniors may pick up their schedules 5-6:30 p.m. Aug. 5. Juniors may pick up their schedules 6:30-8 p.m. Aug. 5.

Sophomores and Freshmen can pick up their fall schedules Aug. 7 at the campus.

Sophomores may pick up their schedules 5-6:30 p.m. Aug. 7. Freshmen can

get their schedules 6:30-8 p.m. Aug. 7.

New students may register and pick up their schedules 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Aug. 8.

"During this time, students will be able to receive their schedule, textbooks and locker assignment," said SHS Principal Kay Matthews. "Please come at the correct scheduled time so that the registration process will be efficient."

As students prepare to return to school on Aug. 18, the District reminds

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Left, St. Stephen's member Mary Catherine Ervin, representing the Salado Family Relief Fund, receives a donation check from Jennifer Reeves, president of the St. Stephen's Women's Association.

St. Stephen's donates check

On the weekend of July 12 and 13, at all the weekend Masses, the St. Stephen's Women's Society held a parish Bake Sale. This is a first year for the new St. Stephen's Women's Society, which has grown to more than 30 members.

At the July membership meeting, using funds from the bake sale, the group presented a donation to the Salado Family Relief Fund.

Mary Catherine Ervin spoke to the group concerning the many activities of the Salado Family Relief Fund. Presently, they are using funds for the "Back to School" Program, giving

new school clothing vouchers to each qualified child.

There is a great positive effect for children to start school with a new outfit of clothing and new supplies, also given by the Salado Family Relief Fund, she said. Donations are now needed as school will soon start. Last year 50 children were helped to start the school year in with new items.

Jennifer Reeves expressed appreciation to the Women's Society for their baking, work selling and purchasing at the bake sale, leading to this opportunity to help the community.

National Night Out Aug. 5 in Pace Park

The Salado Police Department will host National Night Out, 6-8 p.m. Aug. 5 in Pace Park.

On hand will be the Salado Police Department, Salado Volunteer Fire Department and Scott and White EMS. Events will include food, dunking booth, games, prizes and much more. Additionally, there will be an opportunity to learn how to protect yourself from crime and fire, and what to do in emergencies.

Democrats to meet Aug. 4 at Civic Center

The Salado Democrats will meet 6:30 p.m. Aug. 4 at the Salado Civic Center. Bob Carpenter, a supporter of Howard Dean, will be the guest speaker.

In October, Salado Democrats would welcome any supporter of a leading candidate as a guest speaker.

For further information, contact Jim Pringle (254) 947-9229.

Prince of Peace to hold concert

Ministries, Inc. presents Tom Laskey, contemporary Prince of Peaceian singer-songwriter, in concert 7 p.m. Aug. 3 at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church.

The concert is free and open to the public. A free-will offering will be taken.

The church is located at 1215 S. Wall St in Belton. For more information call (254) 939-0824.

New DVD's at Salado public Library

The Salado Public Library has announced they've received new DVD's recently. There is no charge to check out, only a library card is needed.

Check-out period is for one week. There is a limit of two videos per card (whether VHS or DVD).

The new arrivals are: The Mayor of Cast-erbridge, Band of Brothers, The Gathering Storm, The Magnificent Seven, Foyle's War, The Red Violin, Roots, Daniel Deronda, Hanover Street, Somewhere in Time, Rabbit-proof Fence, All Creatures Great and Small: First season

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Second Salado Book Fair this weekend

The second annual Salado Book Fair is set to be held this weekend, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Aug. 2 at the Stagecoach Conference Center.

In attendance will be former professional tennis player and coach Scott McTeer. McTeer is now a successful fitness trainer, who has worked extensively with the basketball teams at Duke University and the University of Missouri. He is the author of **Your Body, Your Life**, a new book that's described as "a refreshingly lean guide to reclaiming a strong, healthy body in a

way that's best for each individual."

In the work, McTeer sticks to tried-and-true fundamentals that he's used throughout his career to help his clients feel and perform better, shape their bodies, look younger and live longer.

Your Body, Your Life begins by laying the proper mental foundations for improvement. McTeer presents simple, fundamentally true information while leading readers through custom goal-setting, critical success factors and the development of successful

habits. The book takes a gradual approach to fitness. Rather than encouraging drastic, immediate change, it eases the combination of mental attitude and physical health to provide for long-lasting results.

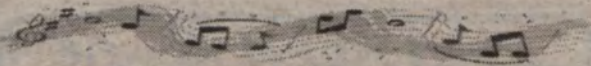
"The program described in this book is simple, logical and 'do-able' for people of all ages and walks of life," said McTeer.

Quin Snyder, head coach of the University of Missouri's men's basketball team says: "I've seen the results of his programs, and what he has done for

elite athletes he can do for you and me."

McTeer is a certified strength and conditioning specialist by the National Strength and Conditioning Association, a personal trainer by the American Council on Exercise, and an older adult trainer by the American Institute of Fitness Educators. He resides in Austin, where he currently trains over 35 clients, including pro athletes, business professionals and full-time moms.

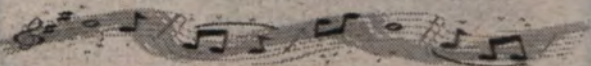
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Dowell earns slot in Area tourney

Wes Dowell, a sophomore at Salado High School, qualified for the Southern Texas Professional Golf Association's (STPGA) boys 14-15 age division Area Championship Tournament. The Championship Tournament was held July 28 at Avery

Ranch in Austin.

The STPGA uses a point system to qualify junior golfers for area championships. Points are awarded to top finishers in weekly tournaments at Austin courses. The top 27 on the point list, out of over 100 golfers in the boys 14-15 age division,

qualified.

Dowell received most of his qualifying points by tying for eighth in a field of 66 junior boys, during a two day tournament held at The Hills and Falconhead in Austin. His total score was 160 for the two days.

Wes is the son of Wes and Mary Dowell of Salado.



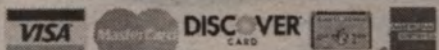
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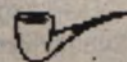
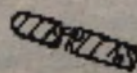


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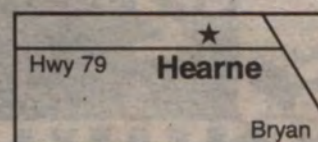


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Ladies Auxiliary to meet at Stagecoach Inn Aug. 14

The Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary luncheon meeting will be at the Stagecoach Inn and Restaurant, 11 a.m. Aug. 14. Ann Runnels will present the program.

Ann has had a 25-year career in real estate, but her real passion is doll collecting. She has been a collector of dolls since she was five years old. Prior to moving to Temple, she owned an antique store in Dallas where her main focus was dolls.

Runnels at one time owned over 450 dolls in her private collection as well as some 150 in her store.

In order to sell her dolls, she has researched and obtained the knowledge to advise her clients about the condition, values, history and other necessary facts on doll collecting.

Her period of specialty is from the late 1800's to the late 1950's and encompasses, bisque, china, composition and hard plastic dolls.

Runnels will bring some of her doll collection to the meeting and discuss their history. Members may bring their antique dolls to share also.

A \$10 reservation must be received by Aug. 12 and mailed to the Ladies Auxiliary, P. O. Box 161, Salado, TX 76571.

Texas 4-H Master Goat Volunteer Training Scheduled

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The Texas 4-H Master Goat Volunteer Training Class I will be held Aug. 15-17, at the Texas Cooperative Extension Office, 604 North Main, Suite 200 in Weatherford. Registration begins 6 p.m. Aug. 15 and the program concludes 3 p.m. Aug. 17.

The purpose of the program is for goat project leaders to receive advanced technical methodology and subject matter training. They in turn teach 4-H goat project members and volunteers in their county, provide support to 4-H members, and give leadership to learning opportunities for members, parents and volunteers in their county to enhance the total 4-H goat project.

This training is open to the first 60 people registered. The training is targeted for adult project leaders only and these leaders must be approved by the Bell County Extension agent.

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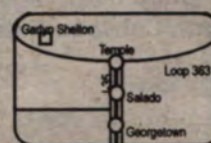
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The vouchers will be

available at the Salado Intermediate School 9-11 a.m. Aug. 1 and Aug. 5-8. Those applying need to see Communities In Schools coordinator Jessica Beyer.

The Salado Family Relief Fund is a non-profit organization supported by the village churches, civic organizations, school organizations and the contributions of the public.

Scheduled for later in

the year is the S.F.R.F. "Empty Bowl Project" fund raiser to take place 1-6 p.m. Nov. 22 at the Salado Intermediate School. All proceeds from the sale of bowls and soup goes toward the aide of those in need.

In December many area families will receive Christmas gifts distributed by the S. F. R. F.

Contributions can be

made at First State Bank Salado, Compass Bank Salado or mailed to Salado Family Relief Fund, Inc. P.O. Box 461 Salado, TX 76571.

Monthly meetings of the S.F.R.F. are held at the Civic Center 1 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month. To become part of this group or to participate in the upcoming projects at 947-1118 or 947-3185.

Thomas Arnold Elementary school supply list

Pre-Kindergarten

- 2 Pkg. Loose Leaf 12"x18" colored construction paper
- 2 Bx. Small (8) count Crayola Brand Crayons
- 2 Bx. Fat Classic Colors Crayola washable markers
- 1 Bottle glue
- 1 School box
- 1 Pair children's blunt scissors with plastic handle and metal cuters (Fiskar or Crayola brand)
- 1 Bx. Tissues
- 1 Back pack - large enough for 9"x12" papers

Kindergarten

- 1 Pkg. (10 count) #2 plain yellow pencils
 - 1 Fiskar steel blade scissors
 - 2 Bottles Elmer's school glue (8 oz.)
 - 2 Bx. 200 count tissues
 - 1 Pkg. 12"x18" colored construction paper
 - 2 Bx. Crayola crayons (8 count)
 - 2 Bx. Crayola crayons (16 count)
 - 2 Bx. Crayola Chubby Basic 8 colored markers
 - 1 School box (cigar box size only)
 - 1 Back pack
 - 1 70-pg wide-ruled spiral notebook
 - 1 Bx. Ziploc bags - quart size
 - 1 Bottle hand sanitizer 8 fl. oz.
 - 1 Plastic quad-fold mat (no larger than 18"x45") (no pillows, blankets or sleeping bags)
- PLEASE LABEL ALL ITEMS WITH YOUR CHILD'S FIRST AND LAST NAME

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- 2 Bx. Crayons (24 count)
- 2 Bx. Tissues
- 3 Bottles white glue (4 oz.)
- 3 Pkg. #2 yellow, wood pencils
- *1 Pkg. Markers
- *3 Spiral notebook (70 pg.)
- *1 Plastic supply box
- *1 Pair scissors
- *1 Watercolor set
- *2 Plastic folder
- *PLEASE LABEL ONLY THOSE ITEMS WITH THE ASTERISK WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME. ALL OTHER ITEMS WILL BE COMMUNITY ITEMS.

Second Grade

- 1 Pkg. Loose Leaf paper - wide-ruled (200 count)
- 3 Spiral notebooks - 70 count wide-ruled
- 1 School box - no larger than 9"x6" (cigar box size)
- 2 Pkg. #2 Pencils (yellow, 12 count)
- 1 Pkg. Crayons (24 count ONLY)
- 1 Elmer's glue 8 oz. (white only)
- 4 Folders w/pockets (green, blue, red, yellow)
- 1 Fiskar scissors - round point
- 4 Large pink erasers
- 1 Highlighter
- 1 Binder - 1-inch
- 1 Bx. Kleenex
- 1 Pkg. Construction paper (18"x12")
- 1 Pkg. Manila paper (18"x12")
- 1 Pkg. Dividers
- 2 Glue stick

Third Grade

- 1 Pkg. Manila paper 11"x18"
- 1 Pkg. Colored construction paper
- 1 Pkg. White drawing paper
- 1 Pkg. Colored pencils (long)
- 1 Pkg. Dividers
- 1 Pkg. Pink pearl eraser
- 1 Pkg. Markers
- 1 Pencil box
- 1 Plain ruler
- 1 Red pen
- 1 3-ring binder (1", red)
- 1 Pair of Fiskar scissors
- 1 Bx. Crayons (24 count)
- 1 Bx. Kleenex
- 1 Bx. Ziploc bags (gallon)
- 1 Roll paper towels
- 2 Pkg. wood pencils (no eagle brand)
- 2 Bottles glue
- 2 Pkg. glue stix
- 2 Pkg. Notebook paper
- 2 Spiral notebooks
- 3 Colored folders with brads and pockets (red, yellow, green)

Fourth Grade

- 4 Pkg. #2 yellow pencils (1 doz. per pkg.)
- 2 Folders - pockets only (no brads)
- 10 Folders with pockets and brads
- 10 Yellow highlighters
- 1 Bx. Crayons (24 count)
- 2 Pkg. Map co;ors (24 count)
- 2 Pkg. Markers (water base - no permanent ink)
- 1 Bx. Kleenex (200 count)
- 1 Ruler
- 8 Wide-ruled spiral notebooks (3-ring, no college-ruled)
- 2 Pkg. Wide-ruled loose-leaf paper (200 count)
- 1 Sturdy Zipper bag to carry supplies
- 6 Red pens
- 2 Large pink erasers
- 6 Glue sticks
- 1 Roll paper towels
- 1 Black medium point sharpie

American economy: then and now

By CHRIS MCGREGOR
STAFF WRITER

According to Dr. John Pisciotta, the brand of government America has today bears little resemblance to what, over two centuries ago, our forefathers had in mind. Pisciotta, a professor of economics at Baylor University, spoke to the Salado Lions July 24 about the history and development of the American economic system.

"Our government, at the time of our founding, had a much more limited view of what the federal government would do than what we have now," he said.

"They had a love-hate relationship with government. They knew they needed government, but they feared it," he continued. "So the founders' answer was to restrain the power of the government."

Pisciotta explained the basic political principles in place at America's beginning. "There were four ideas to the nature of the political system," he began.

First on Pisciotta's list was sovereignty of the people, or as he said, the concept that the "power came from people, not by heredity. The people had

inalienable rights."

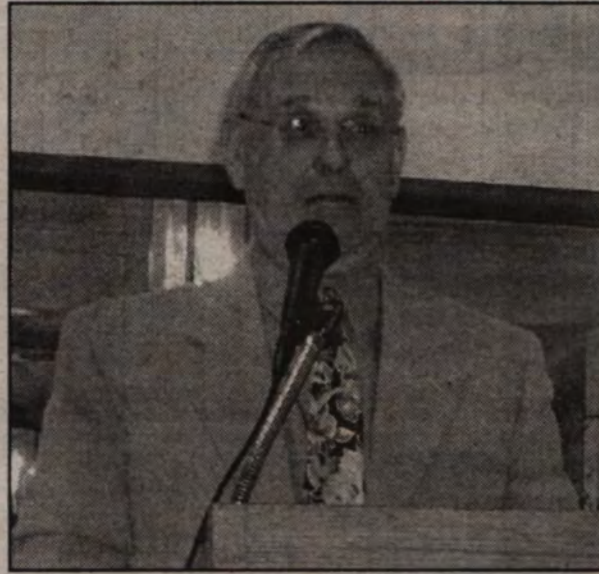
Second, he said, was the belief that the new government would be a republic; not, he stressed, a democracy. "It was always referred to as a republic," said Pisciotta. "The word democracy never appeared in the constitution. That was a dirty word back then."

Third in line was the assurance the system would be a federal one, and that the states would basically be left to their own devices, free from centralized autocracy, the sort they had just fought a bloody war to rid themselves of.

"The scope of the government was very limited," he said. "States were to have the powerful role. And whatever wasn't delegated to the federal government was assumed to be in the hands of the states or the people. What they did was quite an achievement."

Switching the topic to the economic roles of government, Pisciotta stated the most important function it serves is the rule of law. "One of the reasons we are prosperous is because we have this rule of law," he said.

"It set the environment for private enterprise to flourish."



That, along with the promotion and regulation of economy, and income redistribution, constitute, for Pisciotta, the bulk of government's obligations.

"So how are we doing in the 21st century," he asked. "Well, I have apprehensions when I think about government today."

He said that the explosion of lawsuits is compromising the basic rule of law; the integration of economy and politics, in the form of lobbyists, has poisoned the system; corporate scandals have brought honesty and efficacy into question; and the effectiveness of income redistribution to the working poor, middle class and elderly is not what it should

be.

"For working people," he said, "the system doesn't seem to be working all that well. For the elderly, our programs will be massively expensive, and it looks like they might break the bank."

Ultimately, he concluded, the future values and character of our system will be determined by the actions taken in the present.

"If each generation makes its contribution," he said, "then America will continue to be looked at as a rising sun, rather than a setting one."

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Budget

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lage budgeted total income of \$406,767, but has had a total of \$368,288.44, due chiefly to a decrease of \$40,247.51 in utility franchise fees for electricity.

Regardless, the Village has spent \$339,379.78 through June, which is \$43,744.72 less than budgeted for the time period.

The Village had budgeted a surplus of expenses-to-revenues of \$23,642.50 through June. Instead, the Village will have a surplus of \$28,908.66 through June.

Savings between actual and budgeted expenses through June were found in every major category with administrative expenses having the most savings of \$23,934.12. Of that, \$11,250 is from inspection fees because no inspections have been done in 2002-03. The Village Steering Committee is continuing work on the Comprehensive Plan, which establishes subdivision and zoning codes and implements inspections and permitting processes. Since the work is not complete, inspections are not being done by the Village of Salado.

The Police Department is also spending less than it budgeted through June. The Department is \$9,265.91 under budget on expenses, due to savings in benefits, office equipment and travel and training.

The 2002-03 budget calls for a total of \$523,310 in expenses and \$498,800 in revenues for a deficit of \$24,510.

The hotel/motel occupancy fund is running \$43,909.42 in the black comparing expenses and revenues through June.

First, the occupancy tax revenues are almost \$8,000 higher than expected at \$101,797.47 through June.

Second, the fund has spent \$32,771.24 less than budgeted through June. Of that, \$12,311 is in grants to area organizations that have not been paid. Another \$10,901.16 has been under spent in Sales and marketing and \$4,191.31 has been under spent in overhead costs for the tourism office.

The hotel/motel fund is budgeted to end the year with an \$18,200 deficit.

Other business

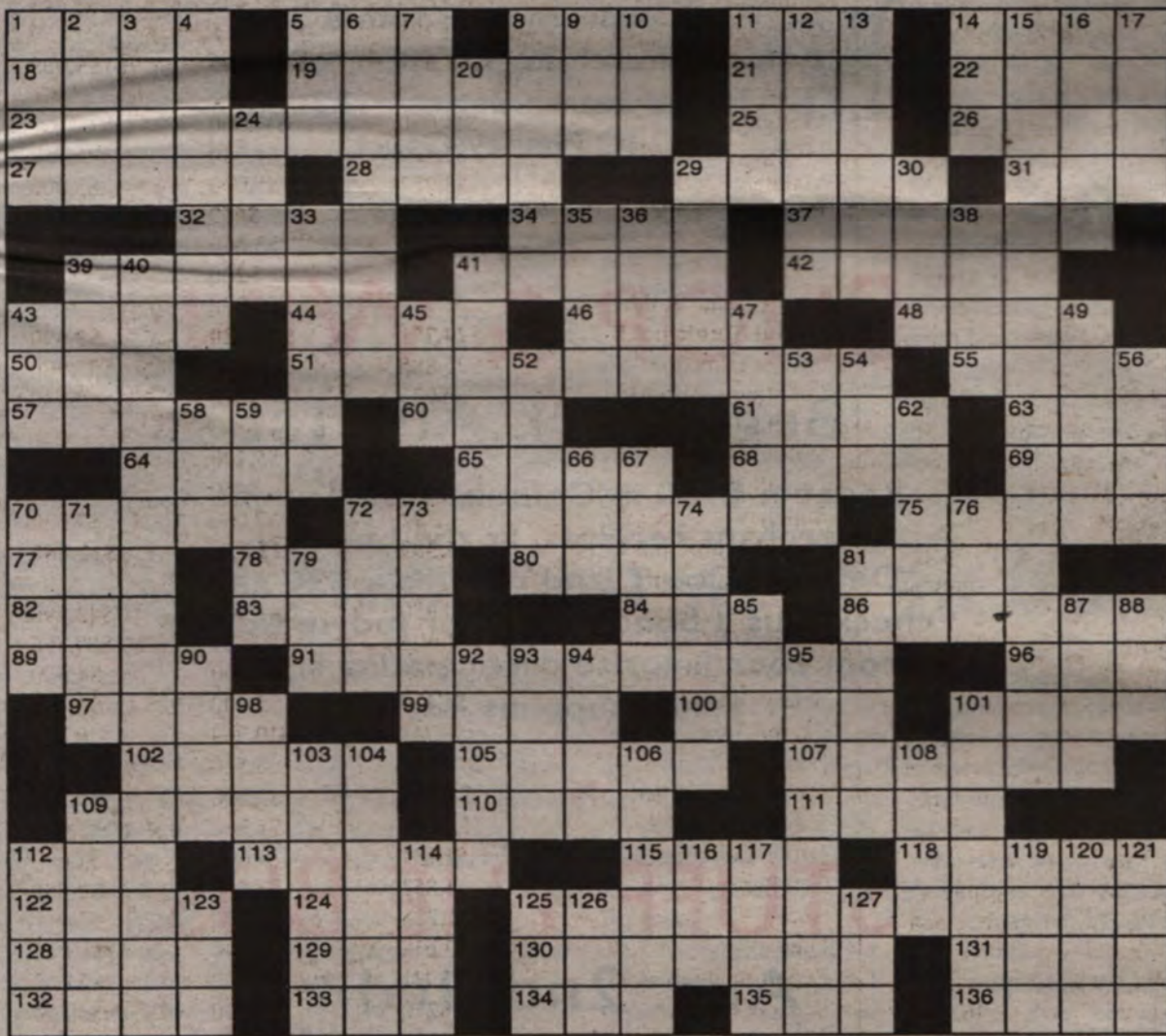
In other business, aldermen adopted the Solicitation Ordinance and the changes to the Tourism Council Rules and Regulations. Those documents can be viewed at the Village of Salado Municipal Building on Stagecoach Road.

Village of Salado Budget Comparisons

	Actual Budget	Draft A	Draft C
Beginning Balance (estimated)		\$229,938	\$145,545
INCOME			
Tax receipts	\$279,925	\$286,700	\$286,700
Franchise Fees	\$161,592	\$162,400	\$162,400
Development Fees	\$4,122	\$14,700	\$14,700
Municipal Court	\$6,648	\$6,200	\$6,200
Fire Department Fees	\$240	\$400	\$400
Miscellaneous Income	\$1,722	\$1,500	\$1,500
Interest Income	\$2,928	\$4,000	\$4,000
Total Income	\$457,177	\$475,900	\$475,900
Total Available		\$705,838	\$621,445
EXPENSES			
Administrative Expenses			
Salary	\$28,980	\$30,429	\$30,429
Overtime	\$780	\$1,000	\$1,000
Hourly Administrative	\$1,450	\$1,512	\$1,512
Benefits	\$1,447	\$1,500	\$1,500
Payroll Taxes	\$2,600	\$2,700	\$2,700
Dues & Fees	\$5,134	\$5,220	\$5,200
Election expense	\$285	\$1,000	\$1,000
Insurance	\$11,322	\$12,850	\$12,850
Training & Travel	\$3,615	\$4,800	\$4,800
Office supplies	\$3,423	\$4,500	\$4,500
Printing Expense	\$50	\$200	\$200
Postage	\$1,028	\$2,000	\$2,000
Telephone	\$4,319	\$5,550	\$5,550
Professional Fees			
Planning/Miscellaneous	\$46,058	\$20,000	\$20,000
Engineering	\$10,796	\$14,000	\$11,000
Subdivision		\$3,000	\$3,000
Auditor	\$4,245	\$4,300	\$4,300
Inspections		\$15,000	\$12,500
Legal	\$25,467	\$30,000	\$26,000
Public Notice	\$1,267	\$1,500	\$1,500
Equipment Leased	\$2,808	\$3,448	\$3,448
Equipment Purchased	\$3,285		
Total Administrative Costs	\$158,359	\$164,509	\$155,009
Municipal Building			
Mortgage Principal	\$11,080	\$17,500	
Mortgage Interest	\$5,420	\$4,340	
Maintenance/Repair	\$3,287	\$5,000	\$5,000
Building Supplies		\$650	\$650
Utilities	\$4,844	\$3,840	\$3,840
Signage	\$140	\$200	\$200
Future Land/Building		\$60,000	
Total Municipal Building	\$24,771	\$91,530	\$9,690
Fire Department			
Marketing (website)	\$973	\$840	\$840
Municipal Court			
Salary - Judge	\$4,800	\$5,400	\$5,400
Payroll Taxes	\$417	\$450	\$450
Supplies	\$92	\$7,000	\$7,000
Total Municipal Court	\$5,309	\$12,850	\$12,850
Police Department			
Salary - Chief	\$40,950	\$42,998	\$42,998
Salary - Officers	\$61,604	\$89,525	\$89,525
Salary- overtime	\$3,765	\$4,500	\$4,500
Salary - Part-time	\$1,470	\$2,400	\$2,400
Payroll Taxes	\$8,743	\$10,269	\$10,269
Benefits	\$13,867	\$18,520	\$18,520
Officer Equipment	\$8,240	\$5,000	\$5,000
Training & travel	\$2,657	\$5,000	\$5,000
Office Equipment & Forms	\$1,734	\$4,600	\$4,600
Cell Phones	\$1,852	\$2,880	\$2,880
Auto	\$31,225		
Fuel	\$3,618	\$6,000	\$6,000
Repair/maintenance	\$931	\$3,000	\$3,000
Reserve officer	\$270	\$1,200	\$1,200
Jail Expense	\$360	\$1,440	\$1,440
Crime Prevention/COPS	\$1,200	\$2,000	\$2,000
Total Police Department	\$182,516	\$199,332	\$199,332
Street Maintenance			
Resurfacing	\$20,000	\$30,000	\$30,000
Pot Holes	\$12,780	\$10,000	\$13,000
Other	\$3,591	\$3,000	\$3,000
Signage	\$10,155	\$7,000	\$2,000
Utilities	\$3,115	\$3,240	\$3,240
Parks	\$22,000	\$27,000	\$27,000
Total Maintenance	\$71,641	\$80,240	\$78,240
Animal Control	\$472	\$1,200	\$1,200
Emergency Operations	\$235	\$500	\$1,000
Contingency	\$6,446	\$12,000	\$12,000
Capital Outlay		\$25,000	\$24,000
Total Expenses	\$476,607	\$588,901	\$496,161
Ending Balance		\$116,937	\$124,284
Difference between annual income and expenses	(\$19,530)	(\$113,001)	(\$25,661)

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 - 40 Scott Car-penter's profession
 - 41 "... say — do"
 - 43 Fool
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 - 47 1492 vessel
 - 49 Hawaiian island
 - 52 Applauds a bore?
 - 53 Self-smitten
 - 54 Language suffix
 - 56 Not fem.
 - 58 Shiba — (Japanese dog)
 - 59 Neighbor of Mali
 - 62 "Farewell!"
 - 66 "I — Rock" ('66 hit)
 - 67 Museum piece
 - 70 Clarinetist
 - 71 Hot spot?
 - 72 "Comic Dictionary" author
 - 73 Dack of "Dallas"
 - 74 New Jersey city
 - 76 Baseball's "Master Melvin"
 - 79 Bud's buddy
 - 81 Sail with Sinbad
 - 85 — Simbel
 - 87 Kennel features
 - 88 Cen. segments
 - 90 Stocking stuffers?
 - 92 Horrify
 - 93 Brad, for one
 - 94 Role for Liz
 - 95 Prophetic
 - 98 Wilson of "La Femme Nikita"
 - 101 To such an extent
 - 103 Restaurant employee
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 - 106 Tone down
 - 108 Isle near Corsica
 - 109 Mrs. Phil Donahue
 - 112 Baroque composer
 - 114 Certain Finn
 - 116 Pipe connection
 - 117 "I Remember Mama" character
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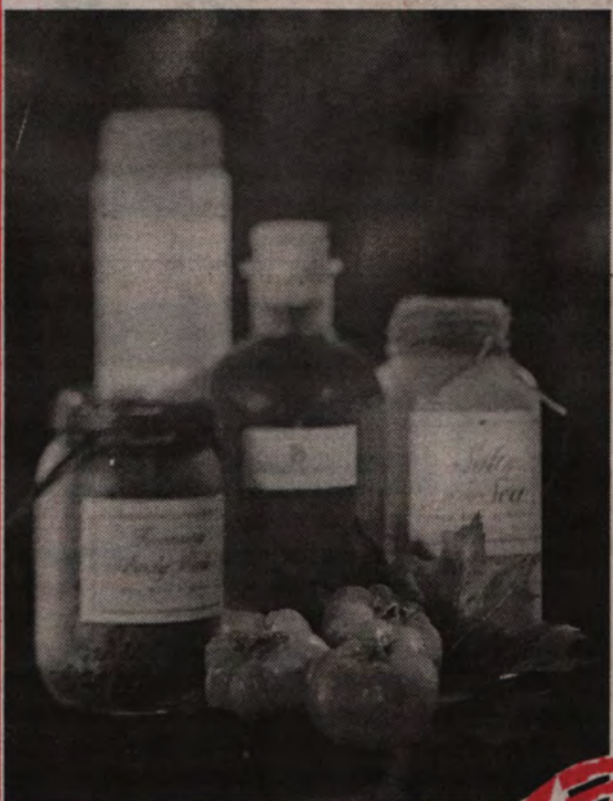
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The Salado: A Jewel in the Crown of Texas is a magazine published four times a year by the Salado Village Voice newspaper. The next edition will have 20,000 copies printed on 50# white offset paper. The heavier paper

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 mag-

azine. 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.

MARK YOUR 2003 CALENDARS:

The schedule for printing of the "Jewel" in 2003 is:

Spring issue deadline is February 7 to be distributed by February 21

Summer issue deadline May 1 to be distributed by May 21

Fall issue deadline August 1 to be distributed by August 21

Winter issue deadline November 1 to be distributed by November 21

Salado: A Jewel in the Crown of Texas

Ad reservation form. Deadline is Aug. 1, 2003.

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Contact Name: _____ Fax: _____

Circle the ad size:

1/4 page \$75 1/2 page \$135 Full Page No Color \$240 FullPage w/color \$420

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Return to the Salado Village Voice at the above address by Aug. 1, 2003

Please attach any changes or new ad copy.

Salado salutes educators

Merchants, restaurants and innkeepers in Salado are readying themselves for "Salado Salutes Our Texas Educators," scheduled for Aug. 30, to kick off the 2003 school year.

The event is a way for the Salado business community to show its appreciation to all Texas educators, whether they work in public schools, private schools, colleges or universities.

Currently, there are over

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Salado businesses participating include: Rosanky's, Willowby's, Jan's, RMK Stagecoach Gallery, Heartstrings of Salado, Serenity Spa, The Gazebo Suite Bed and Breakfast, Essengee's, Strawberry Patch, The Salado Mansion, Wells Gallery, Accents of Salado, Heirlooms, CIO, Horsefeathers, M.J.'s Country

Store, Susan Marie's, Ings, The Range, Scarlett's, The Vermilion Chameleon, Prolong Fine Art Gallery, Sweet Dreams, Mud Pies Pottery, The Store at Old Town, Charlotte's of Salado,

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

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

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

Salado 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.

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

Tuesdays

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

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

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

Salado Youth Baseball 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.

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

for info.

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.

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

Saturdays

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

What's happening here?

AUGUST 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.

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

Teddy bear artist show and signing, featuring four award winning artists. 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m. at M.J.'s Country Corner. For info call 947-8885.

AUGUST 2-3

37th Annual Salado Art Fair in Pace Park. Call 947-5040 for info.

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 5

Salado Lions Club Lasagna Supper, preceding first home football game, 5:15-game-time at SIS.

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.

SEPTEMBER 20

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

SEPTEMBER 20-21

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

SEPT. 20, 21, 27, 28

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

SEPTEMBER 22

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

DEC. 5-7 & 12-14

Annual Christmas Stroll

DECEMBER 5, 6, 12, 13

Tablerock's A Christmas Carol 7 p.m., \$5 adults and \$3 children.

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Actors, crew, composers, sponsors and helpers number over 200. They range in ages from three to 91 years old and live all over Central Texas.

Dinner reservations for the catered meals are required: \$8 for adult or child. Adult show tickets are \$15 and children's tickets (ages four to 12) are \$5 each.

Tickets may be purchased at Salado Mansion,

First State Bank, Compass Bank and Fletcher's Books in Salado.

In Killeen, you may purchase tickets at Renaissance Records, or at ITR on Fort Hood. HEB sells tickets for cash in Round Rock, Pflugerville, Georgetown and Austin.

To charge tickets, call UT Texas Box Office at 512-477-6060. Tickets may be purchased online at www.texasboxoffice.com.

For groups of 20 or more, call 254/947-9205 or write to Tablerock, PO Box 312, Salado, TX 76571.



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WHEN: Sat., August 2
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Potential threats to safety of drinking water

Editor's note: This article is the third in a series on a drinking water and protection program to assure a safe, potable supply of drinking water from lake Stillhouse Hollow for the Central Texas area customers. The following information is provided by the Central Texas Water supply Corporation, of Harker Heights.

We, as individuals, have an important role to play in the protection of our drinking water. Protecting our drinking water begins at home. How do your personal habits affect Central Texas drinking water?

You may be surprised to learn that the way we dispose of products we use in our home or farm can contribute to the contamination of our community's drinking water. You may be even more surprised to learn that a number of the products we use at home contain hazardous or toxic substances. The truth is, products like motor oil, pesticides, left-over paints or paint cans, mothballs, flea collars, weed killers, household cleaners, and even a number of medicines

contain material that can be harmful to our drinking water.

The average American disposes of approximately one pound of this type of waste each year. So, although the amount of any of these substances that you pour down your drain, put in your trash, or dump on the ground or into a lake may seem insignificant to you, try multiplying it by the number of people in the surrounding Central Texas area.

Don't pour it down the drain! Anything you pour down your drain or flush down your toilet will enter your septic system or your community sewer system. Using this method to dispose of products that contain harmful substances can affect your septic system's ability to treat human wastes.

Once out of sight, these harmful substances can eventually contaminate both ground and surface water. In addition, most community wastewater treatment plants are not designed to treat many of these substances. Thus, they can eventually be dis-

charged into surface water and cause contamination.

Don't put it in the trash. In general, community landfills are also not equipped to handle hazardous materials. As rain passes through the landfill, the water can become contaminated by the products and eventually carry them into the groundwater and surface water.

Don't dump it on the ground! Hazardous wastes that are dumped on or buried in the ground can contaminate the soil and either leach down into the groundwater or be carried into a nearby body of surface water during rainstorms.

What can I do? Get informed and get involved! Around the state, citizens are getting involved in their communities, volunteering their time and energy, and making a difference. If you think one person can't change the system, help form a group.

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Fall vegetable gardening

By DEBBIE LAUER

It's hot out there! It is hard to think of it now, but after the heat of the summer there comes an opportunity to grow a second crop of vegetables. Now is the time to start planning for a fall and winter crop of vegetables and herbs. The most important key to a successful fall and winter garden is timely planting.

To determine when you need to plant your fall vegetables, you need to know the average date of the first frost. For Bell County that date is Nov. 16.

When planning a fall garden you should choose the earliest maturing varieties that grow well in our area. To figure out when to plant a particular vegetable, take the number of days that it takes the vegetable to mature, add two more weeks to allow for slower growth during cooler, shorter fall days, and then add three more weeks if the vegetable is frost tender.

Frost susceptible vegetables include; beans, cantaloupe, okra, peas, peppers, Irish potatoes, sweet potatoes, squash, tomatoes, and watermelons. Now that you have a total number of days, count backward from Nov. 16 and that is your planting date.

Based on which vegetables you want to grow, it may mean planting during the hotter part of the summer.

Here are several things to think about to ensure a successful planting. If you had a spring/summer garden you will need to replenish nutrients to your soil. You can do this with a small application of fertilizer or with a light layer of compost. Because the soil is hot and dry this time of year, seed germination can be delayed.

Plant after a good rain, or after you have watered the area thoroughly. Plant seeds twice as deep as you would in the spring and water them in thoroughly.

After that, the Master Gardener Handbook suggests this trick to aid germination: place a board over the rows. As soon as the sprouts reach the surface of the soil, remove the board.

You can also use plastic covered with a layer of mulch to keep the dirt cool. Be aware that black plastic may cause the soil temperature to get too hot. If you use plastic, be sure that the soil does not dry out underneath it. You can also apply mulch between rows; this will

help keep the soil from getting too hot and drying out.

When the seedlings are well established be sure to mulch to reduce weeds and help control moisture loss. You can save yourself some work by purchasing and transplanting some of your plants; tomatoes, lettuce, broccoli, cauliflower, beets, onion, and cabbage readily transplant.

Insects are the next big worry as they are very active in the summer and fall, so keep a vigilant watch for them. The warm days and cool nights of fall can result in some of the tastiest vegetables of the year. Give it a try!

For more detailed information visit the following Texas A&M website. <http://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/extension/tamuhort.html>. Click on publications, click on Gardening Resources, and then click on Texas Home Gardening Guide, publication number B-6003. This guide can be downloaded via the internet or ordered. Other publications that may be useful are also available.

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Upon reconvening at the municipal building, the steering committee expressed concerns to the Hanks' about potential traffic, building height, density and the relative meaning of the word 'upscale.' With multifamily housing, there is allowed no more than 18 units per acre of density and a maximum building height of two stories.

Weaver told the board that in his 20 years of developing experience, he's concluded that "it's obvious the zoning...is not the right zoning." He also said that historically the marketplace drives the developer, not the zoning.

Hanks, Jr. explained to the committee that his family has spent "countless hours" in organizing their plans, and have made con-

cessions to local residents, but the zoning of SF-7 is still not compatible with what they want to accomplish.

"I feel we have an obligation to the general public," said Mayor Douglass, "that no matter what we decide, it needs to go before a public hearing."

The committee decided that a further conference on the matter will be required, involving not only the Hanks, but also their immediate neighbors. "I don't think it makes sense for us to do that (make a zoning change) now without the public knowing," said Alderman Michael Cooper.

Hanks, Jr. questioned the need for another public hearing, and stated that he had been counseled that "it would be our right," to

take the matter before the courts.

Mayor Douglass said the public will be impacted by this development, and therefore have a right to know. "The people that live next door 'don't have the same amount of money tied up," she said. "But that's relative."

Hanks, Jr. responded again with his reservations about another public hearing. "If you let the general public...say no...then Salado will pay the difference. The city will pay the difference."

Citing a lack of complete information on the incorporated area of the development, the committee voted to not recommend a zoning change. However, they stressed that the development can still be

carried out according to the Hanks' wishes, but only if they follow the proper procedures. "We're just asking for your patience," stated Bob Pascoe.

"It doesn't mean this is done forever," said Alderman Vic Means. "It's a good project, no one will argue with that."

Alderman Cooper agreed, saying they should "try to anticipate the concerns of their neighbors. Be prepared to present them a proposal that would come as near as possible to alleviating their concerns."

Meetings of the steering committee are open to the public. The committee has yet to announce a date for a planned hearing between the Hanks' and their immediate neighbors, but it will likely be in August.

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The artists on hand, who will meet and greet admirers of their work, will be Linda J of Wildflower Studios; Luann Bowen of Lulu Bears; Sue Ann Holcomb of Past Time Bears; and Nancy Hauk of HoneyBee Bears.

Hauk, a native Texan,

was born and raised in Waco and now makes her home in Manor. She began making teddy bears as gifts to her daughter, but eight years later, she is still "hooked" on the creative process. Her trademark mohair bears are typically adorned with hand-smocked dresses.

Sue Ann Holcomb is a national award winning artist. Her bear "Lexie" was a TOBY (Teddy Bear of the Year) Industry Choice winner in 2001.

Another of her creations,

"Jerry," was named by *Teddy Bear Magazine* as an Industry Choice winner in 2002. The Franklin Mint has commissioned Holcomb to create a holiday bear named "Holly." She resides in Double Oak, Texas.

Luann Bowen decided to title her line of bears "Lulu" after her childhood nickname. She's been making collectible teddy bears since 1990. Her pieces, which are made from original designs and constructed in their entirety by Bowen, are known for the embroidered "Lulu Bear" tag tied around the ankle. She resides in Austin.

Linda J, of Wildflower Studio, has been in the teddy bear game for 18 years. In



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In high school he listened to the Bob Hope and Red Skelton radio shows and took notes. "There was one show called 'Can You Top This.' People would send in jokes and one guy would tell a joke that was sent in and a panel would tell jokes on the same subject. That was fascinating to me. They had a laugh meter to see which joke got the most laughs. I tried to figure out why the winning jokes were funny."

His senior year in high school he lip-synched Spike Jones's version of The Man on the Flying Trapeze. "The audience

just fell apart," says Dick. "It was the most fun I ever had."

He spoke at a Baptist Camp in New Mexico the summer after graduating from high school. Conditions were pretty primitive because it was a new camp. He had planned to use a memorized piece, but instead, made funny remarks about the camp and didn't use the memorized stuff. "That was when I realized I could do humor and make people laugh. That was kind of my way to relate to people. By being funny."

Dick's grandfather was a preacher and used humor in the pulpit. Dick thought he would be a preacher, too. He went to Baylor and majored in Philosophy. "I always liked funny professors."

He got on stage a couple of times in Baylor and ran for cheerleader, barely missing a spot on the squad. His use of humor

in campaign speeches got him elected vice president of the freshman class.

Dick went to work at the San Angelo Chamber of Commerce after Baylor, then went into the Air Force. He entered a couple of military talent shows but didn't do well. He went back to chamber work after the service, then got into banking and now owns a bank marketing company.

He conducts seminars all over the country. "You can sure keep people's attention if you make them laugh now and then." In his spare time he does humor on cruise ships. It's all clean. He worked in comedy clubs for years. He has written a best selling business book, *Nobody Told Me I'd Have to Sell*. Dick has traveled the world. In a book store in Brazil, he ran across the Portuguese language version of his book

and showed the clerks his drivers license. They were impressed.

He says most of his inspiration comes to him in the shower. "I got five minutes of my best humor in one 30 minute shower. The water got cold."

Humor just comes to him. "When I'm looking for new material, I notice things. I saw an Academy Store full of exercise equipment. It had an escalator to the second floor. I saw some tern birds in California.

Two terns walking along and you have a right tern and a left tern. I was in the Hershey Hotel once and the guy behind the desk told me where the bar was. I said, "is that the Hershey Bar?" Dick started doing comedy when he was 49 years old. That was nearly 20 years ago. Contact Tumbleweed at tumbleweedsmith.com.

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.

Watermelon Basket

- 1 short, plump watermelon, chilled
- 1-1/2 cup fresh or frozen cantaloupe & honeydew melon balls
- 1 cup whole fresh strawberries
- 1 small can pineapple juice
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After watermelon is thoroughly chilled, cut lengthwise, slicing off top third. Use large piece for fruit holder. Scoop out melon balls with melon cutter or measuring teaspoon. Scalloped top edge of shell. Fill with watermelon, cantaloupe and honeydew melon balls. Add strawberries last. Pour pineapple juice over top. Tuck in grape leaves or mint.

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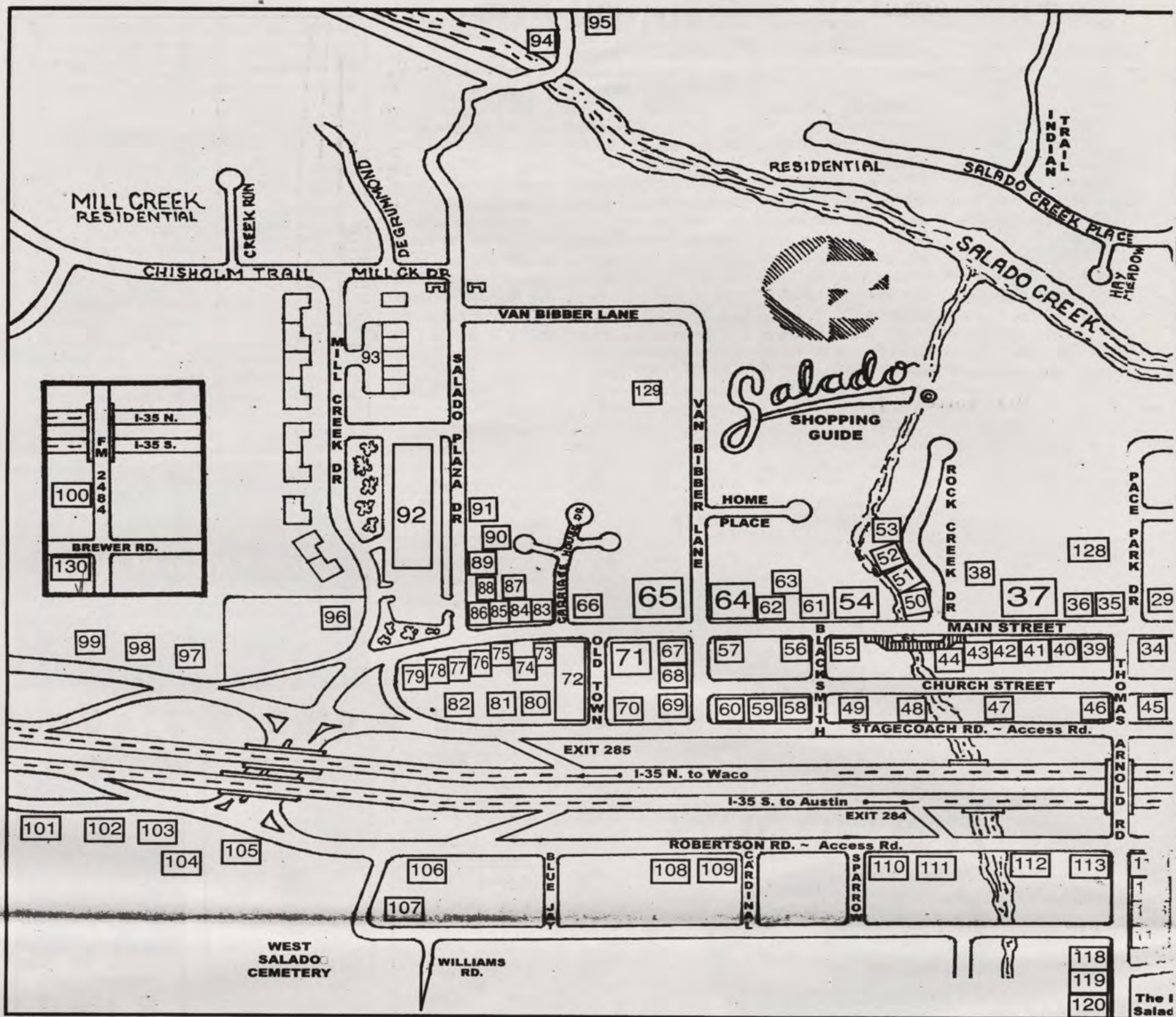
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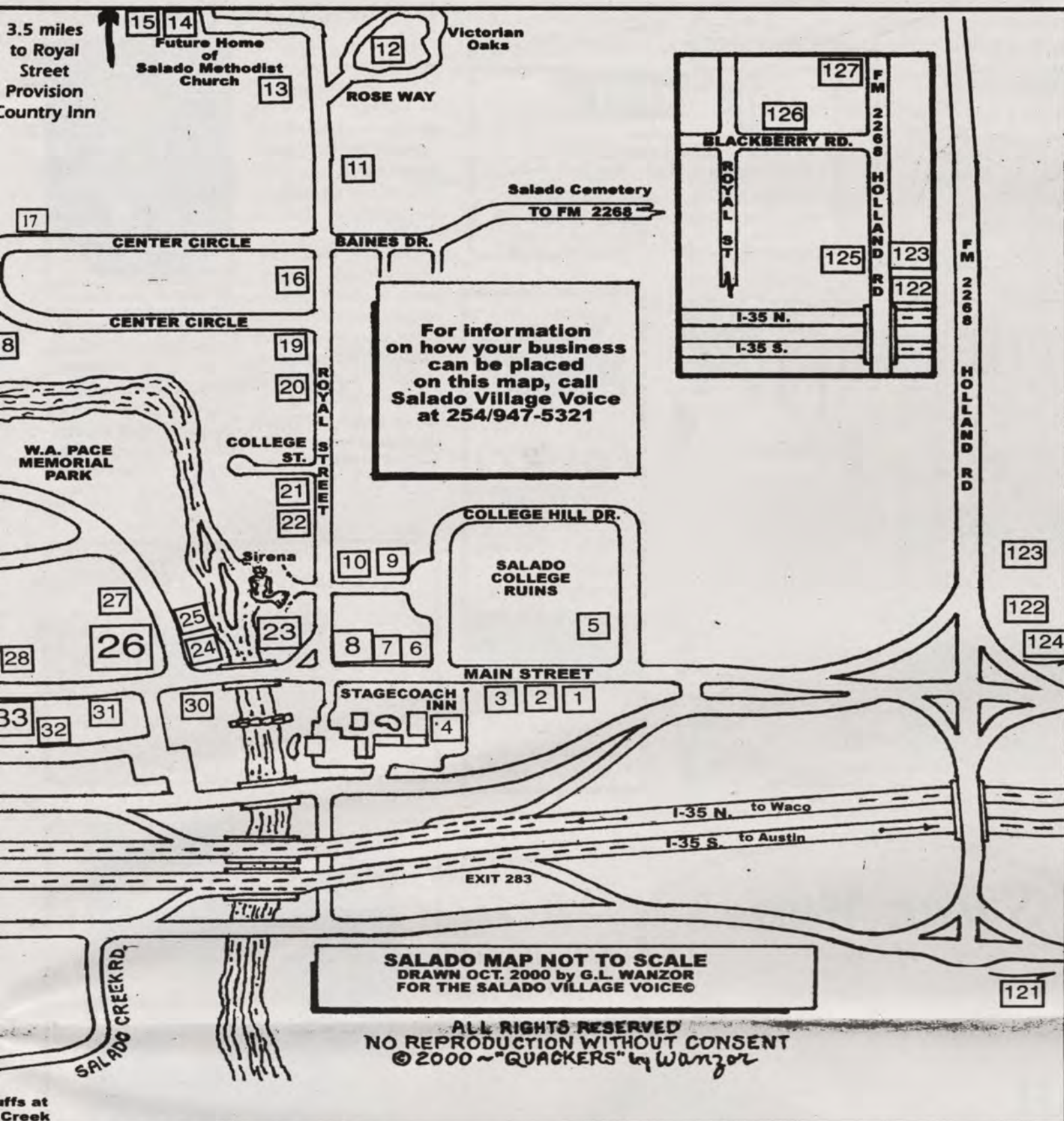
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Askins of Temple Literacy Council spoke to Rotary Club July 22

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Jodi Askins, co-chair for the Temple Literacy Council, addressed the Rotary Club of Salado, July 22.

Askins gave each Rotarian a menu and asked them to order an item listed. Seems easy enough you would think? The problem was that the menu was printed in a foreign language. "This gives you a view into someone else's world that is illiterate," she said.

Referring to a couple of students she has tutored in the past, she showed the difference between a person that is totally illiterate and one that is functionally illiterate. Margaret, a 17 year old mother of a two year old child, read on a third grade level. "She wanted her GED, but had a long way to go," Askins stated. "But she had the tenacity to stay with it." It took her three years to finish her GED. She is what would be considered functionally illiterate.

On the other hand, there was Lucy, 47, and could not read, write or do math. "Her family moved around a lot and I ended up losing contact with her," Askins added. "I know I will see her again someday." Lucy was considered completely illiterate.

Many illiterate people are very skilled at hiding their ability. One out of four over the age of 25 do not have their high school diplomas. That number is even higher when you factor in the 18-24 year olds.

In 1992 the National Adult Literacy Survey was given to people 16 years and over. The NALS was divided into three sections: prose, documentary, and



Jodi Askins

quantitative analysis. The questions were scored on a level one to five, one being the lowest and five

being the highest. Showing the person a picture of a driver's license and asking them the city would be considered a level one question. A level two may be showing them a pre-asking them the city would

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**Village of Salado Tourism Council
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The Village of Salado Tourism Council has begun the Tourism Grant Application process for the 2003-2004 fiscal year.

Each year the Council awards funds to local organizations out of the Hotel Occupancy Tax Funds. These grants are to be used to market Salado as a tourism destination and encourage overnight stays at local lodging facilities.

Hotel Occupancy Tax is generated by and collected by the local lodging facilities and the state mandates that these funds must be used to directly promote the tourism and hotel industry in Salado.

Last year, \$22,000 worth of grants were awarded to local organizations to promote different events and complete tourism related projects such as a website and print advertising.

The Council held two workshops this month to explain the grant process and the legal use of the HOT funds. The workshops were conducted at

the Civic Center by Tourism Director April Allen. If you are interested in applying for a grant it is not too late. The Tourism Office will be giving out application packets until July 31. The grant applications are due in the Tourism Office no later than Aug. 11. The Tourism Office is located in the Civic Center at 601 N. Main Street. Please call 947-8634, or stop by if you have any questions.

**CTC to offer
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Central Texas College will offer day and evening Emergency Medical Technician Basic courses Aug. 25-Dec. 12.

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Q: I'm planning to paint two rooms of my house over the weekend. How can I do the entire job quickly so that I'm not working late into the night on Sunday?

A: The best way to get a paint job done quickly, with minimal hassle, is to spend as much time preparing beforehand as possible. In the days leading up to the painting weekend, try to complete the following tasks.

Clear furniture from the room (or cover with a dropcloth). Take pictures off the walls, including the hardware used to hang them and all nails or screws. Remove cover plates from outlets and switches. Loosen light fixtures so that you can paint underneath them, and cover them with plastic to protect them from stray paint drops.

Remove any hardware from windows and doors. This includes curtain rods and connectors, door latches and so on. Place a dropcloth on the floor for prep work and painting.

A few days before painting, scrape away loose paint or plaster from the areas to be painted. Locate nail holes and cracks, and fill them with spackling compound. Let the compound dry for a few hours, then sand. You should also sand down ridges or bumps, and if you're painting a door as well, sand away previous layers of paint to prevent the new paint from sticking to the frame.

If you'll be painting over wooden trim that has a glossy finish, rub it lightly with steel wool or fine-grade sandpaper to roughen the finish. This will help the new paint adhere to the old.

Clean grease spots and other stains -- if a stain can't be washed away, cover it with primer at the beginning of the painting stage. Dust the paint areas and then clean them with a cloth or sponge dipped in water and a low-phosphate household cleaner (or a wall cleaner). Let everything dry for 24 hours before painting.

Begin masking off areas that you don't want to paint (such as baseboards) with painter's tape the day before you start work. Gather all the paint and clean-up supplies you'll need and place them in an accessible spot.

This seems like an awful lot of work for just a couple of rooms, but these preparatory tasks can be done bit by bit in the days beforehand. By the weekend, you'll be confident that the walls are ready for the paintbrush, and you can complete the job quickly and efficiently, with a little time left for dinner!

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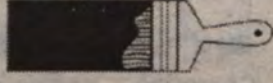
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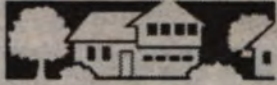
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