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Hometown newspaper read by Gordon & Barbara Adams

Town hall meeting set for talk on jail bond

With Sept. 13, the day Central Texans will vote on bond and amendment issues, fast approaching, the Salado Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a town hall meeting on the proposed \$61.1 million jail/bond issue 7 p.m. Aug. 26 in the Salado Civic Center.

The county commissioners have stated the new jail and county facilities are necessary because the current facilities are outdated and their refurbishment would be of greater

long-term cost to the county than the new complex.

A petition of several thousand signatures was obtained by those opposed to the bond, which is why it is now up to a public vote.

Chamber president Darwin Britt stated that Salado's commissioner, Tim Brown, will be appearing at the meeting. "The format will be Tim Brown delivering central facts about the issue, then it will open up for questions and answers," he said.

Brown is expected to speak for approximately 10-15 minutes, followed by an expected 30-45 minutes for questions and answers from the audience. Chamber members will serve as moderators.

Britt said that, if necessary, additional time will be allowed for the Q and A session.

Early voting begins Aug. 28. For more information about the hearing call the Salado Chamber of Commerce at 947-5040.

Trustees to discuss budget, \$1.58 tax rate

SISD hearing set Aug. 25

Salado ISD trustees will conduct a public meeting to discuss its budget and tax rate 6 p.m. Aug. 25 at the Salado Civic Center on Main St.

The board is considering a \$7.5 million maintenance and operating budget that will be funded by \$5.3 million in local revenues and \$1.9 million in state revenues. An addi-

tional \$250,000 will come from federal funds and loan proceeds.

Since 1998-99, the budget has grown from about \$5 million to \$7.4 million in expenditures. The tax rate has increased from \$1.49 to \$1.57 in the five year period. The fund balance has increased from \$92,028 at the beginning

of the 1998-99 school year to an anticipated \$1.2 million at the end of the 2003-04 school year.

The proposed tax rate of \$1.58 per \$100 evaluation is one penny more than needed to fund the \$7.4 million proposed budget.

Supt. Robin Battershell recommended the \$1.58 to maximize state funding for the next biennium.

Old-time Salado rancher, philanthropist C.B. Hodge passes away at age 77

Services for Claude Bernice (C.B.) Hodge will be 10 a.m. Aug. 21 at Dossman Funeral Home in Belton with Rev. Grady Brittain, Rev. Skip Blancett and Rev. Billie Hanks, Jr. officiating. Burial will be in Salado Cemetery. Hodge died Aug. 18 in a Belton nursing home.

C.B. was born in Prairie Dell, Texas to Claude and Bernice Knight Hodge on August 1, 1926. He moved with his family to Salado in 1931. C.B. grew up in Salado and graduated from Salado High School.

He enjoyed and loved his grandchildren. The youth of the area were always a priority in his life.

He participated as a founding board member for the establishment of the Bell County Expo Center for the youth of Bell County. He was a charter member of the Salado Youth Fair Boosters and sponsored numerous youth soccer and baseball teams. He was a tireless supporter of the Bell County Youth

Fair Livestock Auction. He donated land to the community of Salado for the formation of a youth sports complex. He was awarded the 4-H Club Alumni Recognition Award as an adult leader.

Salado was his home. He served the community as President of the Salado Chamber of Commerce in 1964, as a Salado School Board trustee and as a trustee for the Salado Methodist Church. He was a director and organizer of the Salado National Bank. He served for many years on the board of the Central Texas Area Museum. He donated land to the Salado Cemetery Association, to international Evangelism and to the Salado Water Supply Corp.

C.B. Hodge was a cattleman. He was a charter member of the National Cattleman's Association and he was a member of the Texas Cattle Feeders Association, Texas Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association and American Quarter Horse Association.

He owned and operated C.B. Hodge Livestock Co, Inc. He was a promoter of beef and loved ranching all his life.

In the 1960s he was on the board of the National Sheep Council and a member of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association. He also served on the Edwards Aquifer Research Committee Advisory Board.

He, with his wife Mary, owned and operated C.B. Hodge Feed and Grain until 1957. In 1959 he was named Outstanding Young Farmer of Bell County. In 1960 he was named Outstanding Young Farmer by the Temple Jaycees. He was cited as a conservation model for managing the Claude Hodge Estate and was given the Top Farmer award by the Belton Lions Club in 1961. He was named the outstanding reclamation farmer for the Little River and San Gabriel Soil Conservation Service.

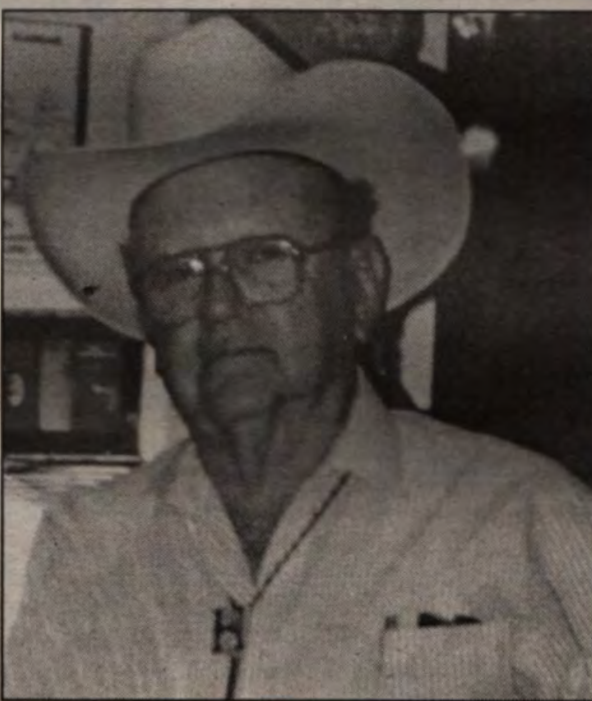
He was preceded in death by his parents and



First Day of School!!

Salado I.S.D. welcomed students and parents to the first day of school Aug. 18. Above, Earl Bragg is shown leading his children Ellie and Tristan down the entrance to Thomas Arnold Elementary School. Bragg is Technology Director for Salado ISD. At right, Colton Bolton and his mother Jennifer are ready and excited about the first day of school.

(Photos by Chris McGeehan)



C.B. Hodge

sister and brother in law, Jim and Maxine Howerton.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Hodge of Salado; two sons, Claude Hodge and wife Myrta, Glenn Hodge and wife Gloria; one daughter, Rita Zbranek and husband Randy; eight grandchildren, Shane Price of Austin, Marisa Conley and Joey of Galveston, Ashley Zbranek of Salado, Justin Hodge of Houston, Ryan Hodge

and wife Stacy of Salado, McKayla Hodge of Salado, Barry Hodge of Galveston and Diedra Hodge of Salado.

Visitation will be held 6-8 p.m. Aug. 20 at Dossman Funeral Home.

Donations in lieu of flowers can be sent to the Salado Youth Association/PO Box 297/Salado, TX 76571, or to the Salado Methodist Church Building Fund/PO Box 771/Salado, TX 76571.

Aldermen mull budget on Aug. 21

Salado aldermen will begin a budget workshop on the \$500,000+ proposed budget for 2003-04 fiscal year at 5 p.m. Aug. 21 at the Municipal Building on Stagecoach Rd.

Following the budget workshop, the board will adjourn into regular session for a short business meeting.

Among the items on the business agenda are reports from Chief of Police Alan Rogers and Tourism Director April Allen.

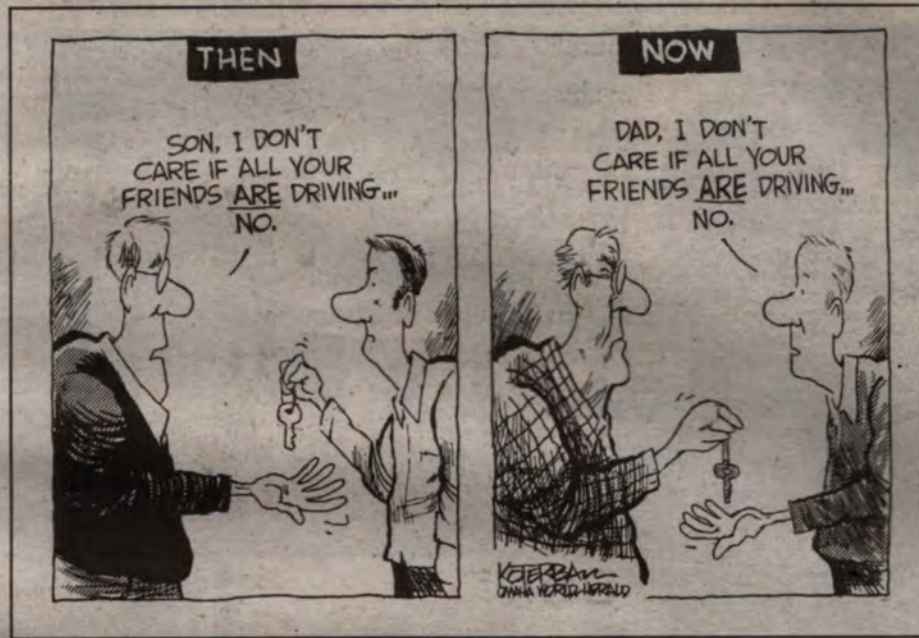
The board will also discuss the Comprehensive Plan steering committee. The Steering Committee will present the Zoning Ordinance, a 140 page document, to aldermen for their consideration at a Sept. 18 meeting.

Aldermen will also consider accepting a bid on carpet for the Municipal Building.

In new business, the board will review July financials.

FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



Mistreating the Mentally Ill

I encounter the mentally ill every day. I step over them on the sidewalks, I ignore their rantings, I look the other way when they rummage through the trash. I do this not because I'm hardhearted, but because I live in New York City, and there's really no other choice. Anyone living in any major urban area in America probably does the same.

During recent decades, we have literally dumped severely mentally ill people onto our streets, abandoning them to their disease and delusions. This is a great national shame, hidden in plain view. President Bush's New Freedom Commission on Mental Health released a report last month that was an opportunity to address this neglect, but it, disgracefully, took a pass.

Most of the mentally ill roaming the streets are too sick to know they are sick. Roughly 50 percent of schizophrenics and those with bipolar disorder do not know they are mentally ill. Therefore, if seeking treatment is left as an entirely voluntary choice -- as it has been in recent decades -- these people will choose continued illness and misery.

Powerful forces, including the American Civil Liberties Union, oppose caring for the unwilling mentally ill. The president's commission aped the language and concerns of this anti-involuntary treatment bloc, calling the mentally ill "consumers" and emphasizing the need for their participation in their "plans for recovery." That's fine, so long as the mentally ill people in question know they are ill.

The focus on "choice" fits with a long-running trend toward deinstitutionalization. In 1955, there were 559,000 people in state psychiatric hospitals. Today there are less than 50,000. If the situation in 1955 had held, adjusting for population growth,

The Rich Lowry Column

there would be more than 900,000 people in state hospitals today. Many of these people are out in their communities and doing fine, but others are living a nightmare on the streets or in jail.

Opponents of involuntary treatment maintain that the severely mentally ill would choose to get care if only mental health services were better. Nonsense. Says Dr. Fuller Torrey, president of the Treatment Advocacy Center, "You could set up a suite in the local Hyatt with free coffee and cigarettes, and these people would show up, but they still wouldn't take their treatment."

The severely mentally ill refuse treatment simply as part of their illness. The only answer is to treat them involuntarily, and there is a budding trend toward this solution in state laws. According to Sally Satel and Mary Zdanowicz, critics of the Bush commission's work, "Studies consistently show that the majority of patients initially treated without their consent agree with the decision when asked about it in retrospect."

There is no liberty in psychosis, and it is medication that offers mentally ill people true freedom. Unfortunately, the president's commission lacked the moral courage to make a stark statement to this effect and recommend policies in keeping with it. Meanwhile, on street corners all over America, very sick people are left to rot.

High profile amendments would negate local option elections; cap tort awards in health cases; and "freeze" elderly-disabled taxes

(WRITER'S NOTE: THIS WEEK WE EXAMINE THREE OF THE MORE "HIGH PROFILE" AMENDMENTS THAT WILL GO BEFORE VOTERS ON SEPTEMBER 13, STARTING WITH NUMBER "ELEVEN" THAT WOULD PERMIT WINERIES TO SET UP SHOP IN "DRY" AREAS OF THE STATE; "TWELVE" CAPS NON-ECONOMIC DAMAGES PAID IN HEALTH PROVIDER CASES, AND "THIRTEEN" FREEZES COUNTY, CITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGE HOMESTEAD TAXES FOR THOSE OVER AGE 65, AS WELL AS FOR THE DISABLED.

THE SEVEN REMAINING AMENDMENTS WILL BE PRESENTED DURING THE NEXT TWO WEEKS, FOLLOWED BY A BRIEF RECAP OF ALL 22 AMENDMENTS AND A RECOMMENDATION ON EACH ONE.)

AMENDMENT ELEVEN WINERY LAWS EXPANDED

Amendment Eleven, if approved, would allow the Alcoholic Beverage Commission to grant permission to Texas wineries to manufacture, buy, sell and dispense wine in any county, precinct, or town within the state, even if voters in those jurisdictions have not authorized such activities through a local option election.

Promoters of this amendment argue that the expansion of wineries throughout the state would help the State's agricultural economy regain lost ground, especially since the enabling legislation to this amendment would require that wineries in "dry" (local option) areas, must sell wine that is not only manufactured in Texas, but contains at least 75 percent Texas grown grapes.

Those opposing this measure contend that overriding local community laws concerning sale of alcoholic beverages for "on-or-off premises consumption" is unconscionable, and up to now - illegal.

The right of citizens of any area to determine their "wet or dry" future, through a local option vote is generally considered to be legally sacrosanct. This proposal chips away at the established right of local control elections, therefore, it is recommended that Amendment Eleven be defeated.

AMENDMENT TWELVE - TORT REFORM

Amendment Twelve is the most explosive of the 22 proposals to be decided by voters on September 13, if the millions of dollars being spent by the "For" and "Against" groups is any criteria. Even the cast of characters involved in this referendum dealing with the subject of "tort reform," triggers emotions. We are talking here about trial lawyers; health insurance companies; the medical profession in general, and our own family physicians in particular, plus the high powered lobby groups representing all three. Each with a professional and financial interest in this fiscal battle that has been on the minds of many who feel that the future of the State's health delivery system is at stake.

Clearing away the pettifogging language that tends to confuse most of us, Amendment 12 boils down to a few simple questions that voters will be asked to answer.

First - are you for or against the "capping" of dollar awards granted claimants in lawsuits against health providers (doctors, hospitals, etc) for "non economic" damages? Non-economic (punitive) damages deal with such legally subjective items as pain and suffering. **The dollar amount in each case would be "capped" at \$750,000.**

There would be no limit on awards for medical bills, hospital costs, prescription drug costs, nor on indirect economic costs such as lost wages, impairment, and temporary or permanent disability.

The companion question is even more far reaching in that it would give the

Off the Record
by Ken Clapp



next Legislative Session (79th) the right to pass new statutes in the field of Tort Reform that would limit "non economic" damages in cases other than health care.

Trial Lawyers, with their vast resources, are trying hard to kill this proposal, claiming it infringes on the separation between legislative and judicial branches of government, by taking away the right of juries to determine the financial penalties for malpractice, and eventually the same for all other civil cases involving "wrongful acts."

Fighting for the amendment are those who pay the costs of inexplicably high jury awards and frivolous lawsuits, particularly insurers of doctors, hospitals and other health care providers.

It is also felt by supporters of Amendment Twelve that capping punitive awards will keep health care costs from spiraling even further out of control.

Since this amendment deals with capping punitive non-economic damages in health care cases at \$750,000 (maximum), and further provides that future legislatures must secure a minimum 60 percent vote margin to extend this "cap" to non-health care lawsuits - it would appear there are sufficient reasons and safeguards to go forward with these two additions to current tort statutes.

Recommend that Amendment Twelve be approved.

AMENDMENT THIRTEEN TAX FREEZE EXPANDED

Statewide - thirteen will be a lucky number for the disabled and over-65 age groups, if Amendment Thirteen is adopted by voters next month, since it would allow counties, cities and Junior College Districts to "freeze" property taxes on homesteads owned by those who fall into these two categories.

Current law permits only school districts to freeze taxes on homesteads owned by those over age 65.

If passed, this proposal would permit county, city or Junior College district officials to either put the "freeze" in place themselves, or if petitioned by citizens within their jurisdiction, to allow voters to make this decision.

Once these tax breaks are approved, they may never be revoked so it would be advisable for a county, city, Junior College district to figure out what the loss in tax revenue would be; compute the dollar impact on other taxpayers, and then call an election to let voters decide the matter.

Locally, we certainly would recommend that Bell County Commissioner's place this matter before the public, rather than unilaterally approving or disapproving such an important fiscal and societal decision.

Those who favor this amendment note that older homeowners, as well as the disabled, are on fixed incomes and need protection from annual increases in property taxes that might eventually force them to sell their homesteads.

Opposing the measure are those who note that "freezing" taxes paid by one group shifts the burden to others - which they claim is unfair since everyone enjoys the services that taxes provide.

Highly recommend that Amendment Thirteen be approved.

That's -30-

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By Ed Feulner

Think conservatives are mean? No. Turns out we're just crazy.

That, at any rate, seems to be the conclusion of a new study published in the American Psychological Association's *Psychological Bulletin* -- one that could lead one to believe that conservatives are mentally ill.

That's right. Four professors -- two from the University of California at Berkeley, one from Stanford University and one from the University of Maryland -- studied 50 years of research into the psychology of conservatives. The result, according to one of the authors, is a "pluralistic and nuanced understanding of the source of conservatism."

Yes, their study is highly nuanced. I knew it was the minute I read the following sentence: "Hitler, Mussolini and former President Ronald Reagan were individuals, but all were right-wing conservatives."

How can anyone seriously lump these men together? President Reagan, a free-market crusader, spent a lifetime battling totalitarianism. More than nuance distinguishes him from Hitler and Mussolini, rabid socialists who nationalized industry and crushed dissent.

The study concludes conservatives share certain traits, including:

- Uncertainty Avoidance.
- The Need for Cognitive Closure.
- Terror Management.

Well, guilty as charged.

Consider "Terror Management." If that means defeating terrorists and keeping our homeland safe, sign me up. Frankly, it seems to me that not managing terror would be crazy.

"Uncertainty Avoidance?" Sounds more like basic human nature, but yes, we conservatives avoid uncertainty by doing our homework. For example, we support "supply side" tax cuts as a way to boost the economy. Why? Because every time the government has made such cuts, the economy has improved.

Or how about a "Need for Cognitive Closure?"

In English, that means "Making a decision." What's wrong with that? Consider all your options, of course. Eventually, though, you have to act but there I go, avoiding uncertainty again. No surprise I'm sure to co-author Jack Glaser of Berkeley, who says conservatives "are more comfortable seeing and stating things in black and white in ways that would make liberals squirm."

Yet this study itself is awash in black and white. Its authors simply take the notion that conservatives are wrong as given. So they dismiss conservative ideas, even as those ideas sweep the nation.

After all, is there something wrong with the millions of people who listen to Rush Limbaugh every day? Is there something wrong with the families who are enjoying sensible tax reforms and don't want to see those reforms repealed? Is there something wrong with the vast majority of Americans who support military readiness? Of course not.

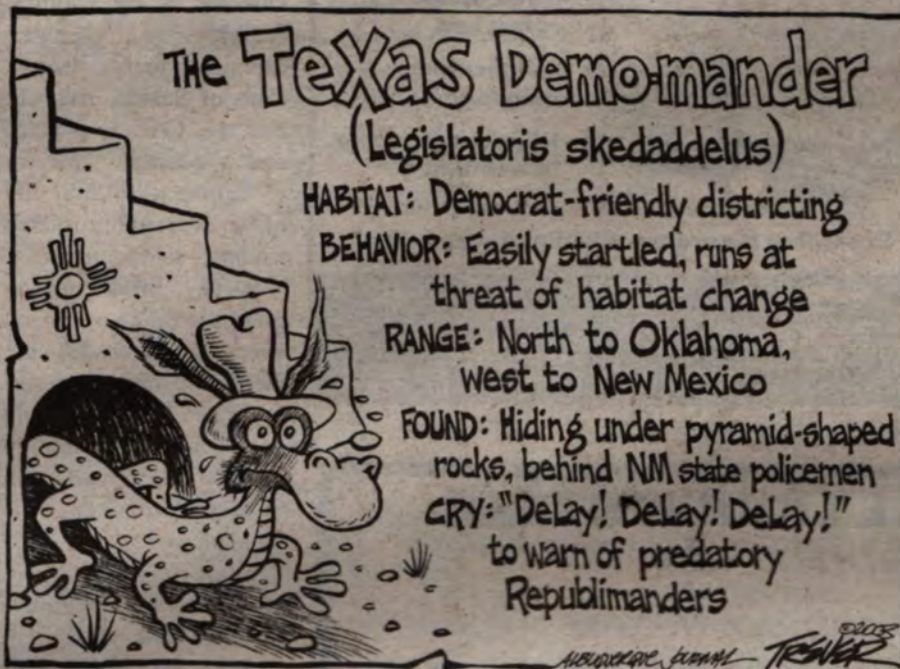
For years, liberals have simply refused to accept that conservatives have a permissible worldview. Perhaps the most notorious example occurred in 1964, when the now-defunct magazine *FACT* ran two stories hinting that presidential candidate Barry Goldwater was insane. "Mr. Goldwater's illness is not just an emotional maladjustment, or a mild neurosis," the magazine reported. He showed "unmistakable signs of paranoia."

The magazine based its story on questionnaires filled out by thousands of psychiatrists who had never met or examined Goldwater. But time hasn't been kind to Goldwater's critics. Four decades later, the ideas he ran on hold up much better than Lyndon Johnson's disastrous "Great Society."

The authors of the study do concede that, "in many cases, including mass politics, 'liberal' traits may be liabilities." Liberalism a liability? I'll say. Especially when it comes to conducting psychological studies of conservatives. Doctors, heal yourselves.

Ed Feulner is the president of *The Heritage Foundation*, a Washington-based public policy research institute.

FORUM



Lawyer says jails, court complex are not needed

Dear Editor:

Bell County Commissioners are running scared - thus, they now threaten MORE TAXES. Marching in lockstep, they scramble for political cover on the upcoming vote they never wanted to be before us! Worse, they push the fear factor by threatening tax hikes. The Jail/Court Bond issue has changed Bell County politics and, the Commissioners concerned - people openly ask, when will somebody run against this little junta that has lost touch with the electorate and so distanced themselves from common taxpayers?

Voters understand that this is the first of several bond elections where they will have a voice on increased tax obligations for schools, courts, and jails - regrettably, we had no voice when the Commissioners voted their own salary increase.

The Commissioners are apologetic, almost fearful, as they address constituents controlling their political future. In the next several weeks, carefully assess what they say and do and cautiously listen as they craft arguments that a tax increase is necessary or even good for us!

As if invoking some magic mantra, their every speech will end with the misleading statement we have a low county tax rate. Fine, but that's just one component of the cost of living - why not focus on broader analytical assessments, like the Texas Housing Affordability Index, before suggesting we have no reason to complain. They conveniently omit to mention competing tax demands like the megamillion dollar Temple or

Your Voice

Letters to the Editor

Belton school bonds looming ahead. And nobody talks about our prohibitive tax assessment increases.

The Commissioners have not presented a cogent case for the Jail/Court Complex that they intended to imperially impose upon us. Desperate to shore up support wherever it might be found, they aggressively solicit appearances before any organization extending an invite. Mind you, these same politicians disallowed petition drive supporters from formal appearance on the Commissioners Court agenda - a bit hypocritical, isn't it? Wonder why a Political Action Committee (PAC) was formed for the purpose of raising \$50,000 to promote the Jail/Courthouse? While the PAC and Commissioners disavow any formal connection, we are anxious to learn the identity of PAC contributors to follow the money trail.

The Commissioners egregiously underestimated the cost to remodel the Potts Building in Belton - estimated as a \$500,000 venture, we ended up paying over \$1.1 million! Are similar miscalculations expected on the Burrows' Jail/Court Complex? And now the Commissioners argue the County earned millions in its jailhouse operations. Please show us the paperwork because the experts tell us that there is no real money to be made in operating the jailhouse. That's why Ft. Hood and Temple got out of the business of jailing its own

prisoners - so it will be interesting to see how Sheriff Dan Smith's accountants have done their math!

Collateral issues abound. The Commissioners were recently presented with protest letters submitted by the majority of homeowners near the proposed site for the penal colony complex that could ultimately accommodate 1,100-plus prisoners. Loop 121 homeowners want no part of it. Like downtown Belton business owners, these homeowners query why the Commissioners excluded them in the planning process. Judge Burrows lightly dismisses their complaints - he sees the land as cheap commercial property and believes it is of no consequence whether adjacent homeowners' backyards abut either a manufacturing plant or a jailhouse.

Bell County - get ready! The Bond Election is a populist revival signaling a rejection of past County politics. It's our opportunity to foreclose on the arrogance of power that characterizes this Commissioners Court. Some semblance of tax relief will return to its rightful authority - the taxpayers! Mark your calendars for both the Bond Election and next general election. It promises to be a long overdue civics lesson for the Commissioners and a rude awakening as to what they can expect when they are up for reelection.

John F. Galligan
Belton

Advertisers are taking us for a ride



Jim Hightower

Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no sanctuary for sanity? Is there no end to the madness? Is there not a single square inch of space left in our world that is free of the incessant nattering of corporate advertisers?

Apparently not. Advertising certainly has its place, but it's not every place.

Yet, today, our public parks, police cars, sports stadiums, schools, sidewalks, gas pumps, elevators --- you name it --- have ads either plastered on them or blaring from them ... or both. These days, commercial creativity is not defined as building a better mousetrap, but by hucksters finding yet another way to intrude into our quiet, to shove their way into our heads for no more noble purpose than to hawk, say, another pill for some problem we didn't know we had.

The latest contribution to the cacophony comes from a place where you once could let your mind drift for a few moments: taxicabs. An outfit in Boston is installing video screens on the backs of the taxi drivers' seats, running a never-ending loop of 15-second ads produced by an aptly --- named firm called Point-blank Medium.

Indeed your cab --- for which you're already paying --- will now add to your fare by forcing you to absorb ad after ad fired at your head from only inches away.

This madness won't stay in Boston. Another company in Las Vegas, calling itself Captivads Inc., is putting video screens in 200 cars of this city's largest cab company, literally taking your eyes, ears, and mind captive to its corporate chatter. Advertisers are counting on you meekly submitting - and some are. One rider shrugged her shoulders at the cab ads, saying: "I guess I'd be looking out the window otherwise."

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Matthews speaks to Rotary Club

By SCHUYLER KUYKENDALL
STAFF WRITER

Terry Matthews, Director of the Cultural Activities Center, explained to the Rotary Club of Salado, Aug. 12 that the CAC is a place and a concept. "We try to represent cultural life of the community in Bell County," said Matthews.

They bring touring groups to the area that you would have to travel to the metropolitan areas to see.

The Family Fun Series, a trio of children shows performed on Sunday afternoons, is "something special that families can do together," Matthews stated. Entertainment this year will include Joe McDermott, LEAFMAN, and Just So. The Series will be held 2:30 p.m. Nov. 16, Feb. 22 and April 4.

Organizations and groups may sell tickets to the Family Fun Series as a fundraiser. Fifty percent of the season ticket sells may be credited to a school or youth group.

"The goal of the CAC is bring more families into the auditorium," Matthews said. "Our mission is to provide arts opportunities to families, especially children."



Terry Matthews

The CAC offers a hands-on program for third and fourth graders. The CAC is located at 3011 N. 3rd St., Temple.

The contemporary program teaches theater, gallery, movement and language. The children learn folklore and theater all at the same time.

The Cultural Activities Center was started in 1958 by a city federation as a two-day arts festival.

The CAC has facilities available that make it easy to hold group meetings.

For more information on the CAC or programs, call (254) 773-9926. The CAC has facilities available that make it easy to hold group meetings. Contact Carmen Berrier at (254) 718-0963 for reservations by Aug. 29.

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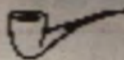
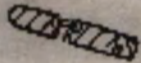


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The Salado Chamber of Commerce

invites you to a public presentation on the upcoming election, September 13, 2003 concerning the proposed construction of a new court house/jail facility in Bell County.

Commissioner Tim Brown will speak on the issue and then allow for questions.

Come join us on August 26, 2003, at 7 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

Art Fair results discussed at Chamber board meeting

By CHRIS MCGREGOR
STAFF WRITER

The Salado Chamber of Commerce board of directors convened Aug. 11 in the wake of the 37th Art Fair, to consider strategies on reviving an event whose net profits have declined in the past decade.

They also discussed, among normal business, the possibility of implementing a set of toll-free numbers for joint use with the tourism office.

Chamber secretary Dawn Orange reported that attendance at this year's fair totalled 3,962, down from 4,376 in 2002 and a far cry from the 8,950 the fair generated in 1993, the first year such numbers were tracked.

The board agreed the drop in attendees was probably more precipitous than on paper, as the attendance numbers track only those that paid for tickets, not those that snuck in. Orange said that efforts to collect gate money this year were the most diligent anyone could recall. The temperatures for both days of the art fair were over 100 degrees.

The number of vendors, 137, was about the same as last year, Orange reported. "The vendors were very pleased. They had a very good sell." The board credited the town's hospitality with keeping the vendors in good spirits.

Even though many fairgoers complained of the heat, the board agreed the fair would stay the first weekend of August. They cited a past art fair held in September, which was mired in rainy weather and suffered through poor attendance, as sufficient reason to keep it in August.

Even with the decline in attendance, the Chamber of Commerce netted \$36,795.39, which, if not for the 2000 art fair, would be the lowest net in 10 years.

"It's still \$36,795 we didn't have before," said Chamber president Darwin Britt.

The 2003 net was down approximately \$1,700 from the 2002 total of \$38,567.81. The expenses, however, were approximately \$3,500 less this year.

Mayor Charlotte Douglass and tourism director

April Allen introduced to the board the idea of purchasing a set of toll-free numbers for the village.

"A lot of people expect the Chamber, or someone else, to have an 800 number," said Douglass.

Douglass and Allen explained that up to five numbers would only cost \$5 a month through Sprint. There would be certain fees involved, they said, similar to current long-distance fees.

Allen said that the toll-free numbers could also be used as a method to track advertising. "We could assign a number to a particular publication or ad, then use the number to track that ad," she said.

"I truly think we need an 800 number for general purposes," Douglass said.

With the idea of making it easier for out-of-towners to gain general information about Salado, the Chamber agreed to split the cost of the toll-free numbers with the city. The costs will be divided relative to the amount of volume received in the tourism and chamber offices.



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Immanuel Baptist Church celebrates 90 years of ministry on Aug. 24

The church family of Immanuel Baptist Church in Temple is inviting the community as well as all current and past members to a special 90th Anniversary service Aug. 24.

The church began as a mission church of First Baptist Temple on Aug. 24, 1913 with 36 charter mem-

bers and has since grown to a membership of over 1,850.

"Immanuel Baptist has always been a consistent and faithful light for Christ in the Central Texas Community," said Immanuel Baptist Pastor Mike Harkrider. "We are always striving to be what our name implies, 'God with us,' to our community and the world through long-term kingdom focus."

Former ministers of Immanuel Baptist Church will be present during both morning services to reflect on the 90 years of ministry

the church has had in the Temple area.

"We look forward to having representatives from the past testifying to God's faithfulness," Harkrider said. "We want to look to the past, to motivate us toward a brighter future."

The current church staff will also take time to present a vision for the future.

"As always, our goal is to have more ministries, with more people, reaching for people," said Harkrider. "We desire to be more community minded and

more global minded as well."

Two services will be held for the anniversary celebration. The first will be at 8:30 a.m. and the second will be at 10:45 a.m. with an additional two musical programs at 12:30 p.m. and 1 p.m.

A catered barbecue will be provided for \$5 a plate.

Reservations for the meal may be made by calling (254) 773-2147 or e-mailing ibe@ibctemple.org.

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Rex presents gardening program to St. Stephen Women's Society

Carlinda Rex, Salado resident, teacher, and Master Gardener, recently presented a program on Texas Xeriscape gardening to the St. Stephen Women's Society.

She stressed the use of native Texas plants in landscaping, to conserve water and offer more maintenance free gardening. Native plants provide shelter for wildlife as well as pest control when birds live in the plantings. Plants that are considered invasive, such as Nandina, Honeysuckle and Water Hyacinth are not recommended. Two annuals that add color are zinnias and pentas.

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Carlinda Rex

gen leaches out of the soil with rain, etc. so must be added again.

Her presentation was helpful and members had many gardening questions for her.

The next St. Stephen Women's Society meeting

is on Sept. 8, with a 6:30 p.m. fellowship and 7 p.m. program by Laura Snyder. She will present information on the St. Stephen Religious Education Program. All interested women are invited to attend.



Leigh Drake, president of the Salado Family Relief Fund is presented a check in the amount of \$3,092 by Cathy Coe, First Baptist Church, Salado. The funds were used to help purchase back to school supplies and clothing for needy children. Donations to SFRF are accepted year-round at First State Bank and Compass Bank. (PHOTO BY SCHUYLER KUYKENDALL)

Ordination service scheduled for Salado Presbyterian Minister

A service of ordination into the Presbyterian Ministry will be held Aug. 24 for Rev. Gregory Scott Davidson.

The service will be at 4 p.m. in the sanctuary of the Westlake Hills Presbyterian Church located at 7127 Bee Cave Rd., Austin. Presiding "Fall Shindig" planned by MCCA

will be Rev. Jesse Alexander. A reception will follow at the church and the public is invited.

Rev. Davidson recently graduated from Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary. He is entering the ministry following a career in Texas state government at the highest levels.

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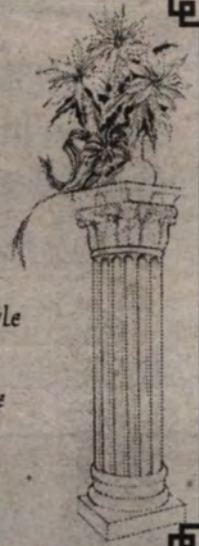
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Reservations may be made by mailing a check to: MCCA, Box 562, Salado, TX 76571.

It is asked that reservations arrive by Sept. 6.

"Bull Bash" scheduled for Aug 23

The Salado FFA will be hosting the third annual Bull Bash on Aug. 23 at the Wildfire Arena in Salado.

Cost is \$100 for a banner that will be displayed and your name or business will be announced during the Bull Bash.

If you would like to purchase a banner or for more information contact Robert Daniell, Salado FFA Advisor at (254) 721-5099.

Soldier dies of unknown causes

A Fort Hood soldier was found dead Aug. 8, of unknown causes at Camp Caldwell, Iraq.

Pvt. Matthew D. Bush, 20, of East Alton, Ill., a heavy wheeled vehicle mechanic with F Troop, 1st Squadron, 10th Cavalry Regiment, 4th Infantry Division, was found by another soldier who tried to wake him and noticed that he was not breathing.

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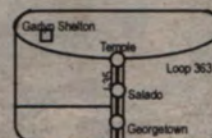


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This will be in conjunction with the first home

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The lasagna will be prepared from a recipe provided by Superintendent Dr. Robin Battershell.

The meal will include

the home cooked lasagna, salad, bread, drinks and a dessert, all for the price of \$7 for adults and \$3 for children three-11.

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The 24th annual Christmas on the Brazos Bazaar and Tours to be held in November this year, in Waco. The annual Holiday Arts and Crafts Bazaar and Tour of Homes will be held Nov. 15-16 at the Waco Convention Center's Chisholm Hall.

The Christmas on the Brazos Bazaar is visited by an average of 6,000 people over two days. The bazaar will feature a wide variety of commercial and hand-crafted decorations and gifts ranging from pottery, paintings, and ornaments to clothing, jewelry, and furniture. The Christmas Bazaar is also the starting place for a tour of Waco's lavishly decorated historic homes.

For information contact the Historic Waco Foundation, offices at (254) 753-5166.

**Ladies Auxiliary
quilt raffled off**

Adelle Johnson of Salado was the winner of the Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary quilt raffle. The winning ticket was drawn at the close of the Art Fair, Aug. 3.

The quilt raffle, which netted \$1,700 this year, is one of the Auxiliary's fundraising events where the proceeds are given back to the community.

The quilt this year was made by Auxiliary member Wilhelmenia Friedrich.

**Salado tee-ballers take
bronze in state tourney**



The Salado Storm t-ball team recently finished in third place in the state playoffs, held in Fairfield. The team concluded their successful season with a swim party at Mill Creek, where they received their trophies. Bottom row, l-r: Tyler Leguin, Davis Little, Dan Hankamer, Robert Cortez, Kyle King, Keeton Mimms, Jacob Little, Dalton Hankamer, Jake Bloomer, Barrett Snyder and Brandon Wilhite. Top row, l-r: Randy Bloomer, assistant coach Dan King, head coach Ty Hankamer, assistant coach Trey Little, Dan Snyder, stat coach Ron Leguin, Shane Hill and Allen Wilhite.

**New info, changes requested
for Salado Lions phone book**

The Salado Lions Club is in the process of gathering information for their next phone directory, set to hit the stands in December.

The phone book also includes a yellow pages section for local businesses.

Anyone who would like to change a phone number, address or name from their previous listing is encouraged to notify the club of their change.

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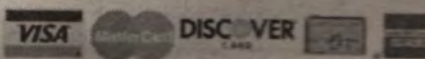
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Delisi makes Salado appearance

By CHRIS MCGREGOR
STAFF WRITER

State representative Dianne White Delisi got to the point. "This has been," she said, "the most contentious fiscal legislative session I've ever participated in."

And she speaks from experience. Delisi has been the District 55 representative in the state legislature since 1990, and has seen her share of partisan legislative battles. The Republican and Temple native is currently serving her seventh term.



Delisi took a break from session duties, addressing the Salado Lions Club at an Aug. 13 luncheon at Mill Creek, concerning what has been accomplished in this session's legislative melee.

"We're living in very, very interesting times," she said, referring to the state's almost \$10 billion budget deficit, from what was a surplus a few years ago, and the Kafka-esque congressional redistricting debate.

Using examples such as September 11, the dot-com demise, corporate investment scandal and the rising cost of Medicaid as reasons for budget troubles, she explained some of the tough decisions legislators have been forced to make.

"When we came in, the budget was \$2.2 billion in the hole," she said. "All of a sudden, things got very serious in Austin. And when that happens, health and human services cutbacks are the first to go."

"We knew we couldn't raise taxes," she continued, "but we had to meet the budget." She said the legislators, through bipartisan efforts, were able to trim \$1.5 billion out of health and human services programs without a single person lost to attrition.

Delisi said as time wore on, meeting the budget became increasingly difficult, as some essential cutbacks had to be made. "Some of my colleagues

wanted a state income tax. Some wanted education cuts," she said. "But I'm grateful to the governor, who said taxes would not be raised in a soft economy."

She went on to say that Texas is not the only one with money problems, explaining that all 50 states in the Union are dealing with either budget shortfalls, or outright deficits.

Delisi also touched on a few of the other significant concerns the legislature has dealt with this session, such as limiting medical malpractice suits. "Right now, we have a crisis in frivolous and excessive lawsuits in Texas," said Delisi. "This is an issue that had to be addressed."

Proposition 12 deals directly with that problem, and is considered by Delisi to be "the most significant tort measure in decades." Its biggest advantage, she stated, is that the bill places a \$250,000 cap on non-economic damages, applying to legal subjects such as mental anguish and pain and suffering. Although it will apply only to medical cases, if passed, the amendment will leave open the future possibility of the cap being applied to other civil circumstances, as well.

"I support this measure,

but trial lawyers will be putting out the message to vote against this proposition," she said.

On the subject of redistricting, Delisi reminded that the last time congressional lines were drawn, Democrats held sway in the House, by almost two-to-one. This also coincided with Delisi's first term in office. "Then, it was a partisan exercise," she said. "It was akin to being run over by a train."

When the issue of redistricting, a court-ordered requirement, arose again, Delisi said she did not anticipate the amount of resistance the Democrats have shown. "I always assumed that redistricting was a partisan exercise," she said. "But now here we are, and this phenomenon has taken place."

She said she would like to see the contention come to an end soon, as the bickering has rent open what were once solid bipartisan relationships among legislators. "The thing that bothers me the most is this is dividing us," said Delisi.

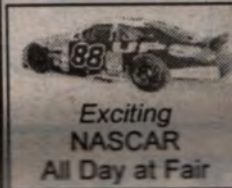
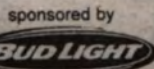
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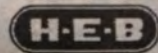


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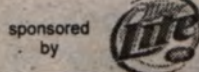
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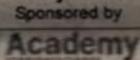
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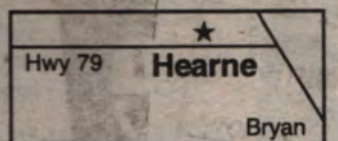
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Camp Fire Council to hold informative meeting at elementary school

Camp Fire USA Tejas Council, a nonprofit youth development organization for boys and girls grades kindergarten through high school, will conduct an informative meeting in the Thomas Arnold Elementary School cafeteria, 7 p.m. Aug. 28.

Parents and youth interested in the youth club programs of the Camp Fire USA organization are encouraged to attend. Adult volunteers serve as mentors/leaders for a club of youth that meets regularly to participate in group learning skills, self-esteem building activities, community service projects, arts and crafts, field trips, and camping. The adult volunteers follow a nationally developed curriculum with the youth earning awards after completion of projects. Participating in a Camp Fire USA club helps youth develop leadership skills, teamwork skills, self-confidence, self-responsibility, respect for diversity, an appreciation for the environment, and a concern for their community.

As a youth development organization, Camp Fire USA also serves youth in Bell and Coryell counties through a young parent program, self-reliance programs, after school programs, and an Absolutely

Incredible Kid program. Camp Fire USA Tejas Council owns two campsites: Camp Mitchell near Belton and Camp Val Verde close to McGregor. Camp Mitchell is a 38-acre campsite with a lodge, playground equipment, tenting areas, nature trails, fenced concrete basketball court area, and a picturesque creek. Camp Val-Verde, a 400-acre camp, offers

horseback riding, canoeing, swimming, hiking trails, a ropes challenge course, cabins, and a large dining hall. Both camps are available for rental to outside organizations or individuals.

For more information about Camp Fire USA or the meeting, call the district office, (254) 773-6614.

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Many heart murmurs are innocent sounds

Dear Dr. Donohue: Before going to camp, my son had to have a physical exam. The only doctor who had examined him before this was his pediatrician, and that was 13 years ago. The new doctor told us he has a heart murmur that needs further investigation. How serious is this?

Answer: Heart murmurs conjure up worries that often are not justified. A murmur is a whooshing sound heard between heartbeats. Often, by listening with the stethoscope, the doctor can determine if a murmur is an indication of trouble or not.

Many murmurs are innocent sounds. Children who are on the thin side often have innocent murmurs. There is little padding between the doctor's stethoscope and the heart. Noises that would not be heard in someone with a larger chest can be heard in a lean child. Murmurs

To Your Good Health

by Paul G. Donohue, M.D.



Please allow four weeks for delivery.

Dear Dr. Donohue: I saw a newspaper article about smoking affecting the sexual performance of men. I was a firefighter, and inhaled all kinds of toxic smoke for 25 years. I am 65 and have been impotent for 15 years. Could the smoke I inhaled fighting fires have caused my impotence?

Answer: Men who smoke 20 or more cigarettes a day run a 60 percent risk of suffering from erectile dysfunction.

I cannot find information that links noncigarette smoke to erectile dysfunction. That's not to say it couldn't, but only that the information is scanty to nonexistent.

Have you seen a doctor about the many new treatments for erectile dysfunction? Regardless of the smoke question, treatment might be readily available for you.

resulting from innocent causes are called functional murmurs.

Murmurs that result from structural changes in the heart often have such distinctive sounds that a definite diagnosis can be made on the spot. Structural changes are heart valve changes or holes in the partition that divides the heart into right and left sides.

When rheumatic fever was rampant, one of its most feared consequence was heart valve damage. That damage always produced a murmur. Now, with fewer cases of rheumatic fever, the incidence of murmurs has fallen.

When the doctor cannot tell the nature of a murmur,

then ultrasound pictures can. Ultrasound pictures are also known as echocardiograms. The ultrasound exam is painless, quick and uses no radiation. I am interested in the results of your boy's ultrasound. I believe it will not disclose trouble, since his pediatrician did not hear a murmur 13 years ago.

The entire spectrum of heart valve problems and murmurs is covered in the valvular heart disease pamphlet. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue -- No. 105W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.50 U.S./\$6.50 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address.

Chemotherapy and exercise

From Start to Fitness

Andrea Renee Wyatt, M.S.S., C.S.C.S.

The experience of a patient completing chemotherapy treatments can raise a number of questions and concerns, such as: How will I feel afterward? Can I carry on a normal life? What can I do to cope with the side effects?

Incorporating a fitness program into your treatment is a great way to encourage and motivate yourself. One book that

tackles treatment concerns with an emphasis on exercise is "Exercise for Chemotherapy Patients" by Harry Raftopoulos, M.D. and Erin O'Driscoll, R.N., M.A. (Healthy Living Books).

The authors thoroughly

describe the chemotherapy process and the side effects that accompany it, such as fatigue, sleep disturbances, nausea and a loss of appetite. The explanations are very easy to understand, and the science is deeply grounded.

The authors go on to describe the benefits of exercise when done in tandem with chemotherapy. These include improved blood lipid profile, immune function, glucose tolerance and insulin sensitivity, body composition, bone density and a sense of well-being.

The benefits are followed by guidelines for designing an exercise program. SEE CHEMOTHERAPY PAGE 13A

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gram and examples for each week. The exercises are not difficult to follow and are accompanied by pictures showing breath-

ing techniques, stretches and exercise with modifications to meet patients' different fitness levels. In addition to discussing

exercise issues, a valuable tool in this book is the chapter titled "Manage Your Life with Cancer." Not only does it help prepare you for

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treatment, but it also provides nutritional issues, notes for caregivers, and tips for after treatment ends.

A glossary and generous list of resources and references rounds out this great book, one that can provide both guides to fitness and peace of mind for patients.

"A Lasting Look by Belinda" now open for business in Salado

A Lasting Look by Belinda, a permanent cosmetics salon owned and operated by Belinda Faglie of Rogers, is now open in Salado at 1211 Stagecoach Rd.

Born and raised in Rogers, Faglie was the owner/operator of The Hair Shop for 28 years in Rogers. Then in the fall of 2000, Faglie decided to enroll in the American Micropigmentation Academy in San Antonio, studying under world-renown, Roxanne Gloria, to become a Certified Micropigmentation Technician. To further her education and training, Faglie, in 2003, studied under Rene Ryan and Sandi Hammonds in Dallas before opening her salon in April 2003.

"Permanent cosmetic makeup is a state-of-the-art form of cosmetic tattooing for everyone from the young to the elderly, male or female, who desire a soft and natural enhancement to their appearance," said Faglie.

"This state-of-the-art technique is medically proven and specifically designed to be completely safe for men as well as women, for busy people with little time to apply makeup, people with allergies to conventional makeup, those who are physically incapable of applying makeup or just men and women who wish to look their best all the time," she continued.

However, Faglie recommends that everyone

choose a Certified Micropigmentation Technician with no less than 40 hours of training and extensive hands-on training on live models. Faglie, herself, has over 80 hours of training plus extensive hands-on training with over 40 live models.

Faglie's salon, A Lasting Look by Belinda, is open by appointment only, offering

permanent cosmetic procedures for eyebrows, eyeliner (top and bottom), eyelash enhancement, lipliner, full lip color, and beauty marks. In the future, scar camouflage, stretchmarks, freckles/age spots and hair imitation will be available.

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Dry weather equals more chance for fire

Faced with a Texas landscape baked by days of hot, dry weather and an increasingly limited national pool of experienced wildland firefighters and wildfire equipment, Texas Fire Service officials say prevention holds the key to keeping Texas from becoming a major wildfire battleground.

powder keg of dead or rapidly drying vegetation growing increasingly fire-prone each day that passes, and scattered thunderstorms are lulling some people into a false sense of security that fire danger has lessened or that burn bans have been cancelled.

hour after the storm passes," said Traci Bowen, Wildland Fire Prevention Specialist with the Texas Forest Service. "It is still very dangerous to burn trash or brush piles, even with a recent rain."

The hot, dry summer has added to the drought conditions that have plagued much of Texas for several years. A high-

pressure ridge sitting over the state during much of July brought with it triple-digit temperatures and made conditions ripe for fires to ignite. Many counties in the Big Country and North Texas have issued burn bans, and Bell County has issued a 30-day burn ban which remains in place.

The Texas Forest Service encourages everyone to do their part in preventing unwanted fires by following these tips: Obey outdoor burn bans -- Just because an area has received some rain doesn't mean a burn ban has been lifted. Avoid using spark-producing equipment around dry grass. Keep vehicles out of dry grass tall enough to contact catalytic converters. Dispose of smoking materials properly. Contact your local fire department for tips on how to safeguard your home against wildfire.

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Ladies Auxiliary prepping for Christmas in October

Tickets are now on sale for the Christmas in October Preview Party, 6:30-8 p.m. Oct. 9 at the Salado Civic Center.

Tickets are \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door. Seating is limited to 300 persons.

There will be a silent auction with the merchant's booths open for early purchases.

Appetizers will be provided by local restaurants. Restaurants participating include Ambrosia Tea Room, Cathy's Boardwalk

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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.

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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

Yoga classes: 7:30-8:30 p.m. at Salado Chiropractic and Massage. 947-2225.

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 20

First Baptist Church of Salado evangelical crusade with Jon Randles. For info: 947-5465 or www.fbcsalado.org.

AUGUST 18

First day of school for students.

AUGUST 26

Public Forum on proposed Bell County Jail/Courthouse, 7 p.m. at the Civic Center.

AUGUST 29

Fundraiser barbecue for Chet Edwards at Goodnight Ranch, 6-8 p.m. Public invited. RSVP at 947-5121.

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 8

St. Stephen Women's Society meeting. Program by Laura Snyder on religious education programs.

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 10-12

First annual teddy bear making class and retreat at the Baines House. Call 947-8885.

OCTOBER 11

Salado Education Foundation's Chisholm Trail Cattleman's Ball at Tenroc Ranch. Call 947-5479.

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

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Institute for the Humanities series

The Institute for the Humanities at Salado will present three speakers for its fall series of lectures on The Importance of Place beginning in September.

The program series is offered to members of the Institute only. Memberships in the Institute begin at \$50 per year for individuals, \$90 for Family and \$200 for Contributing. There are also corporate and donor memberships of \$500 Sustaining, \$1,000 Directors Circle, \$5,000 Silver Circle and \$10,000 Golden Circle.

Memberships can be paid to Institute for the Humanities, PO Box 527, Salado, TX 76571.

Speakers for the Fall series are Terry Tempest Williams, Robert Breunig and Andrew Light.

Terry Tempest Williams has been compared to Rachel Carson for the influence of her writings on our understanding and valuing of place.

She is perhaps best known for her book **Refuge: An Unnatural History of Family and Place**, now regarded as a classic in American nature writing. Her most recent book, **Red: Patience and Passion in the Desert**,

traces her spiritual and political commitment to preserving the fragile redrock land of southern Utah.

Williams has been a fellow for the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation. Her work has appeared in many national publications including the *New Yorker* and *Outside*. Williams is considered a visionary and, in the words of the *Utne Reader*, "a person who could change your life."

Williams will give a seminar on the Literature of Place 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sept. 27 at The Range on Main St. She will give a lecture 4 p.m. Sept. 28 at the Salado Civic Center on Main St., followed by dinner at Mill Creek Country Club.

Robert Breunig directs the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center in Austin.

The Wildflower Center celebrates the natural and cultural heritage of the Texas Hill Country in an effort to help people appreciate the beauty, economic value and environmental necessity of native plants.

A cultural anthropologist by training, Dr.

Breunig also served as executive director of the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History and Desert Botanical Garden in Phoenix. He was deputy director and chief curator of the Heard Museum in Phoenix and also served as Curator of the Museum of Northern Arizona.

He has been a visiting professor of anthropology at Denison University, the University of Connecticut and Northern Arizona University.

Dr. Breunig will give a seminar on Coming to Love the Land 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Oct. 25 at The Range on Main St. He will lecture 4 p.m. Oct. 26 at the Salado Civic Center on Main St, followed by dinner at Mill Creek at 6 p.m.

Andrew Light will be the final speaker in the series on The Importance of Place.

He will lecture on Landscapes of Memory 4 p.m. Nov. 23 at the Salado Civic Center. Dinner at Mill Creek will follow his lecture.

He is an environmental philosopher from New York University (NYU) where he serves as director of the Environmental Conservation Education

Program. His areas of specialty include environmental ethics and policy, political philosophy and the philosophy of technology and geography.

Dr. Light currently serves as assistant professor of environmental philosophy at NYU.

He has published numerous articles in his fields of interest and has two books forthcoming in 2003: **Environment and Value** with John O'Neill and Alan Holland, and **Reel Arguments: Film, Philosophy and Social Criticism**.

The cost for the three-lecture series on Sundays in September, October and November is \$75 per person. The optional Sunday dinner is \$15 per person per dinner.

The Saturday seminars is \$40 per person and includes lunch at The Range.


Spaces are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Members are welcome to register guests for the programs

For more information about the Institute for Humanities at Salado, call 254/947-5729, write PO Box 527, Salado, TX 76571 or e-mail ifh@vvm.com.

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Controlling fire ants

By DEBBIE LAUER
MASTER GARDENER

If you spend any time outside, you have probably experienced the sneak attack of fire ants. You know, that first painful bite followed immediately by five or six more just as your brain realizes that you have found a fire ant mound in your lawn or perhaps your flower beds. As you dance away shaking and swatting them off, being bitten more every second, you are thinking about two things: the total eradication of fire ants, and hoping neighbors did not see your impromptu performance.

Now that you have found them, what do you do with them? If you are like me, you immediately head for the garage and look for anything that is labeled for killing ants. While this may give you immediate satisfaction it will not produce results for an extended period of time. The end of August to early October is the perfect time to apply the "Texas Two-Step Method" of fire ant control to your property. The two step method involves broadcasting an ant bait (step one) and then treating individual mounds in areas where they are most troublesome with a contact poison (step two).

Baits have several advantages over the quicker acting contact poisons. Most baits are cheaper, ants are controlled for a longer period of time, and they pose very little toxic hazard to people or the environment. Their main disadvantage is that they are slow acting, taking from two-to-four weeks or two-six months depending on the type applied, to have

maximum effect. For this reason, step two, applying a poison to the mounds in high traffic areas or around the foundation of your house, will provide the quick kill of the most troublesome ants. It is the baits that disrupt the life cycle of the colony and will keep the ant population down over a longer period of time. When applied properly, baits need only be applied twice a year. Step two can be applied throughout the year as needed.

To work, baits must be applied properly for the maximum effect. Baits must be picked up and carried back to the mound. Ants forage when the soil temperature is between 75 and 90 degrees. Place a small amount of the bait out and check back in 30 minutes. If the bait is gone, or is being carried away, go ahead and apply the bait. Don't spread bait if rain is expected within 24 hours. Remember to turn off your sprinklers for at least 24 hours and do not apply if there is heavy dew. Always use fresh bait. Fire ant baits are oil based and will go rancid quickly if left open. For that reason, it is a good idea to only buy enough for one treatment.

Baits can last up to a year, but if they are rancid the ants will not pick them up. It is also important not to disturb the mounds before treating with baits. When the mounds are disturbed fire ants will simply move. This means do

not mow your lawn before spreading bait and don't mow for at least three days after baiting. If you have mounds that are a nuisance, wait several days after baiting before applying the contact poison. Fire ants are mobile and will simply relocate after an area has been treated. For this reason, it is a good idea to mobilize your neighbors so that surrounding areas are all treated at the same time. Be sure that any vacant lots and common areas are also treated. Remember you can not legally treat anyone's property except your own; not even with permission, unless you are a licensed professional.

It may be necessary to hire a professional to treat vacant lots and common areas after obtaining permission from owners.

When selecting bait, take into consideration things like where it will be used.

If you have a vegetable garden or compost pile, it may require a different type than one for a strictly ornamental landscape. Fire ant baits are easily applied with hand held seed spreaders. Most baits require 1 to 1 1/2 pounds per acre, be sure to adjust the spreader accordingly.

More is not better, just more expensive. It is not necessary to coat the grass with the bait. Use care as with any pesticide, and be sure not to apply bait or contact poison to water. Also when using a spreader, do not get bait on

sidewalks or streets as the granules can be washed away and into the sewer systems. When using any chemical, read the entire label before using and be sure to follow the directions exactly.

For more information on which type baits are best for your property, visit Texas A&M website <http://fireant.tamu.edu>.

Click on Factsheets and Publications, then click on Lawn and Garden. The list of publications includes "Texas Two-Step Method," L-5070, "Broadcast Baits for Fire Ant Control," B-6099, and "Managing Red Imported Fire Ants in Urban Area," B-6043. You can also contact the County Extension Office at 1-800-460-2355 ext. 5305 or at 933-5305 to be put in touch with a Fire Ant Specialist. You can also send in questions to bell-tx@tamu.edu.

Regardless of which bait you treat with, fire ants will eventually invade your space. Twice yearly applications of bait, one in spring and one in fall, done properly and combined with "step two" applications to individual mounds throughout the year, can keep the pesky critters under control and on the run. My special thanks to Bell County Master Gardener and Fire Ant Specialist, Connie Waters, for her advice when writing this article.

Gardening questions may be submitted by writing to: Master Gardener Questions/1605 N. Main/ Belton, TX 76513.

Tablerock's 10th Annual Central Texas Poetry & Prose Reading

Central Texas poets and writers of prose will grace Tablerock's inside stage to read their works 7-9 p.m. Sept. 11 at the 10th annual Central Texas Poetry and Prose Reading.

An open microphone at 9 p.m. encourages new poets and writers to read five minutes of their com-

positions.

All participants in Central Texas writers of Poetry and Prose must read from their original work or have a designated reader. The writer's works may be published or unpublished. A table will be provided for writers to display published works, sell books or

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What causes stock prices to move?

BY ALLEN MANTANONA

We deal with quite a few mysteries in everyday life. Why does it always seem to rain on the weekend? Why does ice cream have to be high in fat? Why do we get so many credit card applications? And, for a lot of us, there's at least one more puzzle: What causes stock prices to move?

Rainy weekends, saturated fat and credit card invitations may always be beyond our comprehension. But it's not impossible to understand the economic and psychological mechanisms that determine stock prices.

Ultimately, the key word in stock price movements is earnings. When investors consider a company's earnings, they typically look at the price/earnings ratio, or P/E. To determine P/E, you simply divide the company's stock price by its earnings per share (a com-

pany's profits divided by the number of outstanding shares). So, for example, if Company A sells for \$40 and has earnings of \$2 per share, then it has a P/E of 20.

Actually, a P/E isn't just the end result of a company's price divided by earnings per share; in fact, a P/E can help determine the company's price. Let's suppose that Company A's earnings remain at \$2 per share. But then, for whatever reason, investors become very excited about the company's prospects. Now, they are willing to pay 40 times earnings for a share. With a P/E of 40 and earnings of \$2, the stock would then sell for \$80.

Sometimes, a stock's price can move up without this increased willingness on the part of investors to pay more for each dollar of earnings.

Specifically, sharp increases in a company's

earnings estimate could cause stock prices to rise significantly. Let's return to our example above. This time, let's say that Company A's P/E remains at 20. But if its projected earnings jump to \$4 per share, its stock price should then trade at \$80.

Of course, in the real world, price movements aren't quite that neat and orderly - but you can still appreciate the impact of a company's earnings and its P/E. However, keep this in mind: There is always a reason for stock prices to move - but there's not always a good reason.

For a recent illustration of this point, you need look back no further than the late 1990s, when many "dot.com" companies were selling at enormously high P/Es - which, in turn, drove up the stock prices. A lot of these companies had little or no earnings, yet

investors snapped them up, convinced that, one day, their investment would be rewarded. But in early 2000, the technology bubble burst, and it hasn't reinflated since.

Thus far, we've just looked at a formulaic approach to stock price movement. But these quantitative factors - P/E and earning per share - are obviously tied in to many qualitative elements. A shake-up in management might cause a stock to decline, while the unveiling of a promising new product could boost prices. Loss of a government contract is bad, while a favorable write-up in a business journal is good. A labor dispute is a negative; a labor settlement is positive. All these elements, and more besides, can affect a stock's daily price movements, and, sooner or later, its P/E and earnings per share.

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Jim Patterson Golf Tournament

The Jim Patterson Memorial Golf Tournament benefiting the Central Texas Baylor Scholarship Fund will be held 1 p.m. Sept. 12 at Salado's Mill Creek Golf Club. The awards presentation and dinner will follow at 5:30 p.m. on the grounds of the Patterson home in Mill Creek.

Entry Fee, \$75 per

player, includes green fee, cart, range balls, refreshments on the course and prizes.

Contests will include: closest to the hole and most accurate long drive. Holes-in-one will win a Toyota 4-Runner from Toyota of Killeen and a golf cart from Fairway Golf of Salado.

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Texas' seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose to 6.6 percent in July from a revised 6.5 percent in June, according to the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC).

Though Total Nonagricultural Employment fell by 12,900 positions in July, the annual growth rate remained positive for the fourth straight month at 0.1 percent. This rate translates into a gain of 10,900 jobs in Texas over the last year.

"I'm disappointed by the slight increase in the Texas unemployment rate in July, especially after the decrease we saw in June," said TWC Chair Diane Rath. "However, the continued positive annual growth rate in Total Nonagricultural Employment is a good sign."

Two industries, Education and Health Services and Leisure and Hospitality, did show growth in July with gains of 2,200 and 2,600 jobs, respectively. Professional and Business Services also increased in July with 800 new jobs. Com-

pared, these three industries have added more than 50,000 jobs over the last year.

"I remain concerned about the unemployment rate in Texas and the overall loss of jobs," said Commissioner for Labor T.P. O'Mahoney. "However, the slowing of job losses in Trade, Transportation and Utilities is welcome news."

Employment losses in Trade, Transportation and Utilities, which includes airlines and other travel-related industries, slowed to 500 jobs in July, after a loss of several thousand positions in June.

The largest job decrease in July was in Government, which shed 13,200 jobs as state and local government agencies continued belt-tightening measures in response to budget reductions.

Construction employment dropped slightly in July by 500 jobs. Employment in this industry has increased in seven of the last 10 months, for an annual growth rate of 1.6 percent, or 8,900 jobs added since July 2002.

July Unemployment

Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs)

Ranked by July Unemployment Rate

| RANK | AREA | RATE |
|------|------------------------------|------|
| 1 | Bryan-College Station | 2.7 |
| 2 | San Angelo | 4.2 |
| 3 | Amarillo | 4.3 |
| 4 | (tie) Abilene | 4.4 |
| | Lubbock | 4.4 |
| 6 | Victoria | 5.3 |
| 7 | Wichita Falls | 5.6 |
| 8 | (tie) Tyler | 5.7 |
| | Waco | 5.7 |
| 10 | (tie) Austin-San Marcos | 5.9 |
| | Killeen-Temple | 5.9 |
| | San Antonio | 5.9 |
| 13 | Odessa-Midland | 6.0 |
| 14 | Fort Worth-Arlington | 6.7 |
| 15 | Longview-Marshall | 7.0 |
| 16 | Corpus Christi | 7.1 |
| 17 | Houston | 7.2 |
| 18 | Dallas | 7.4 |
| 19 | Laredo | 7.7 |
| 20 | Sherman-Denison | 7.8 |
| 21 | Galveston-Texas City | 9.0 |
| 22 | Brazoria | 9.7 |
| 23 | El Paso | 9.9 |
| 24 | Beaumont-Port Arthur | 10.2 |
| 25 | Brownsville-Harlingen | 11.1 |
| 26 | McAllen-Edinburg-Mission | 14.0 |
| | Texarkana data not available | |

Employment in Natural Resources and Mining fell for the second consecutive month with a loss of 900 jobs in July. Though still negative, the annual growth rate in this industry has steadily improved over the year.

"Certainly, in the short term, the small increase

in the number of unemployed is troubling," said Commissioner for Employers Ron Lehman. "When we look back over the last year though, we can easily see that our state's employers are continuing to create new jobs for Texas."

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There was growing anticipation as the time for the birth came closer. That anticipation was reflected in the way the nurses rushed around, carrying trays full of sterile instruments. Every once in awhile the doctor came by to check things over.

I got to witness that birth. I stood behind my wife's head as BZ made his first appearance into this world. It was really a special thing for a husband to get to observe his

child's birth back in 1968. Move the calendar forward to 2003.

My son Kevin and his wife Jill have a new baby son named Caleb. He was born on July 14 at Baylor Hospital in Dallas.

Caleb's birth was quite different from BZ's. When we got to the hospital, Jill was bedded down in a spacious, comfortable room filled with relatives and friends. She was connected to medical devices all around the bed. I thought it was strange that all the medical stuff was in the room. It was like the things you see in an operating room.

Finally I started to get the picture. "Is the baby going to be born in this room?" I asked. The answer was yes. I thought that was strange and bizarre, but quite convenient for everybody concerned.

Kevin and I walked

down to the gift shop and bought chocolate and bubblegum cigars (blue) and a camera. I took my 12 year old grandson Jackson to get something to eat.

Back in the room, things were progressing along nicely. Jill's dilation was getting to the point where we were all getting ready for the big event. The doctor came in a couple of times to talk to Jill and lookover some of the medical machinery. He wore a coat and tie and looked nothing like he was about to deliver a baby.

After being at the hospital for a couple of hours, Jill asked us to step out of the room so she could have the baby. We were in the waiting room no longer than 45 minutes when Kevin came in and

announced, "He's here!"

We trooped back into the room to meet Caleb. That little baby is so curious. His eyes were open wide and he seemed to be focusing on everybody who held him. What a baby. The birth went well.

"She just grunted that little puppy right out," said Kevin.

Jill had some powerful medicine to make the birth nearly painless.

Kevin stood at her side and helped during the birth. He cut the cord.

He told us later that because of the strong medicine, Jill didn't look like she was having a baby. "I looked down there and saw what was going on and I looked back at Jill's face and she was smiling," says Kevin.

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.

Frozen Fruit Salad

- 6 oz. frozen orange juice
- 6 oz. frozen lemonade
- 1 (No. 2) can pineapple tidbits
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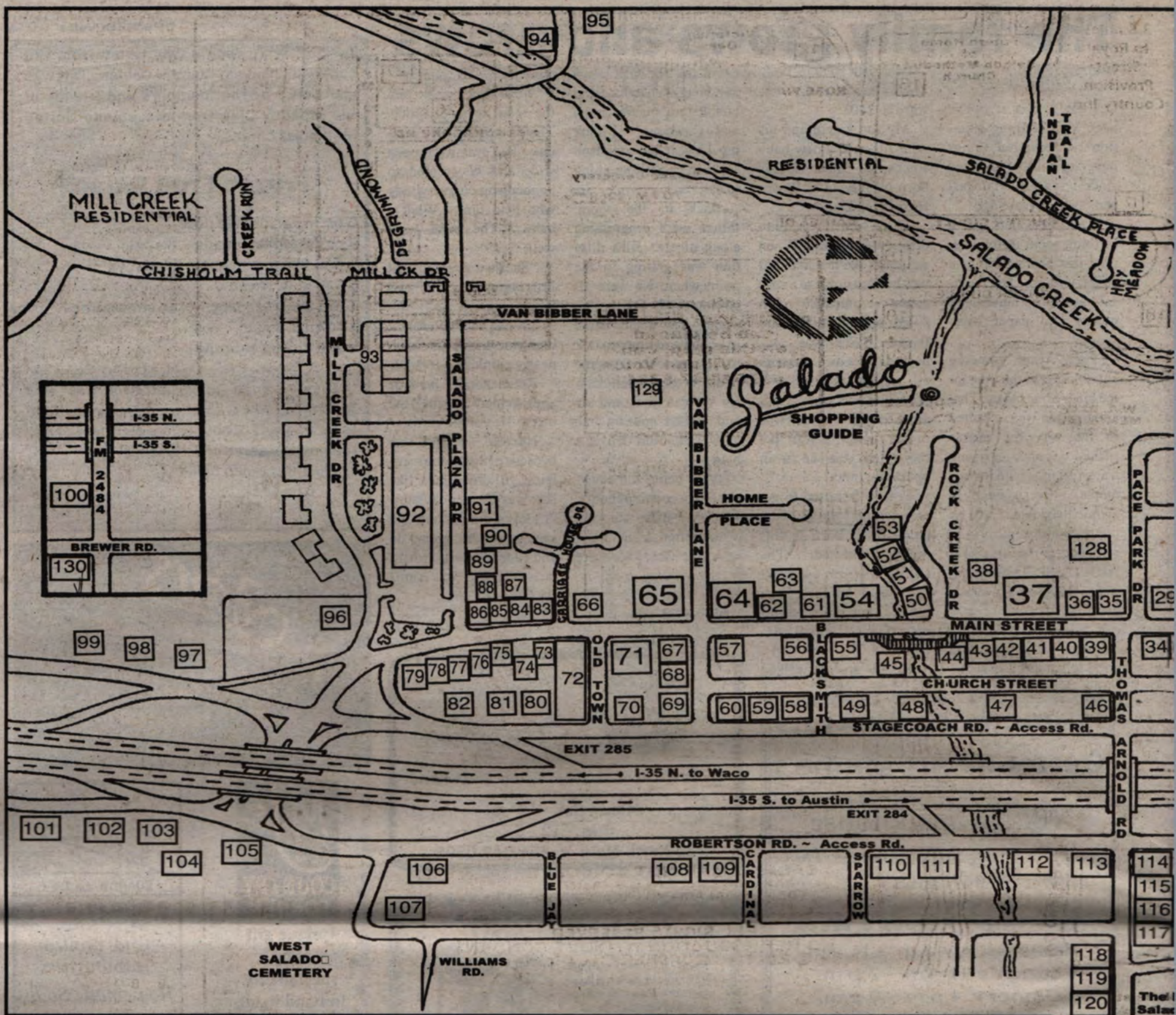
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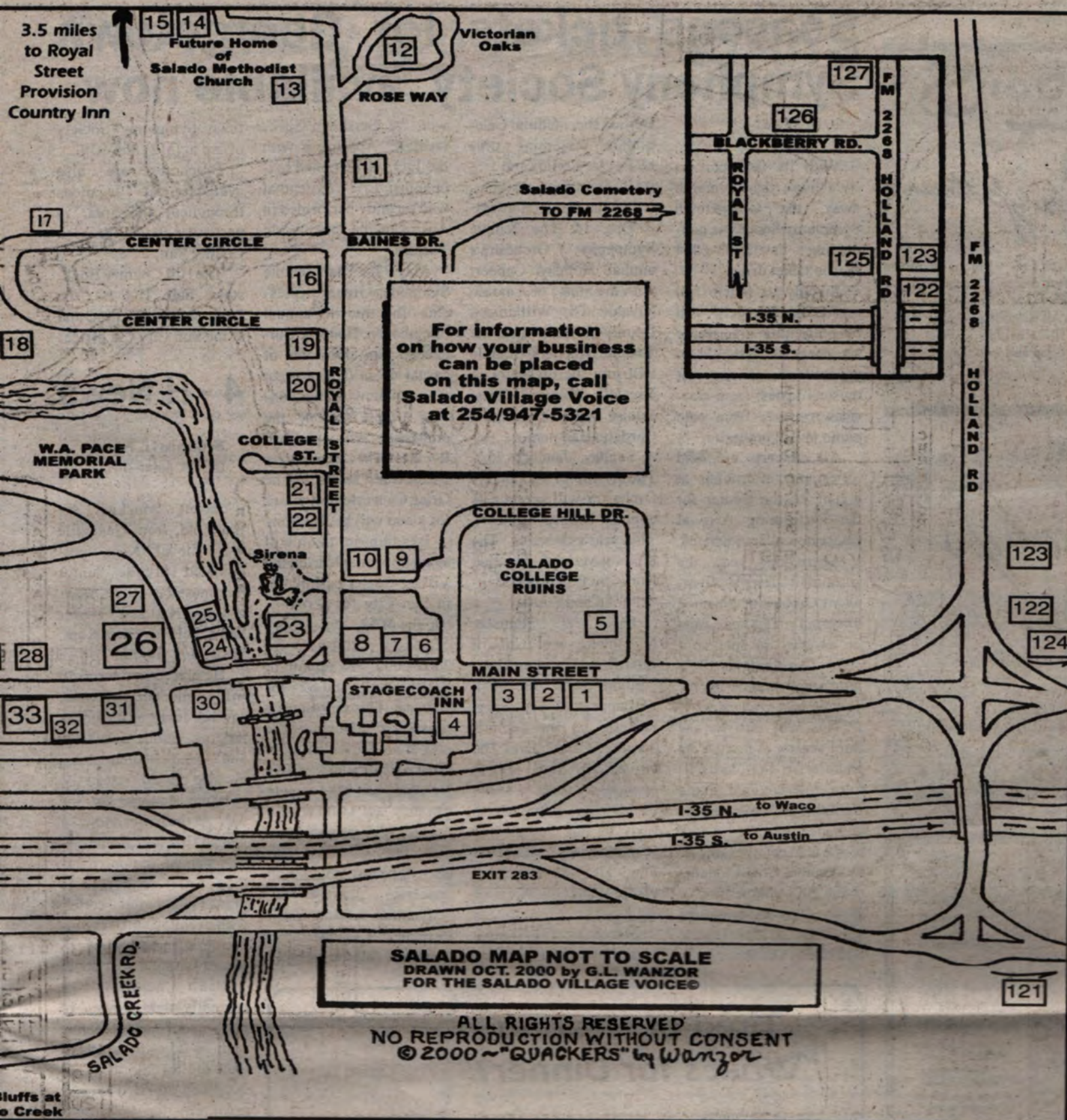
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Seasons tickets for Georgetown Symphony Society available now

By LIZ STEWART

With its first concert little more than a month away, the Georgetown Symphony Society is conducting its 2003-2004 season ticket drive.

In only its fourth full season, the society will be presenting a series of six concerts designed to appeal to a wide range of musical tastes, from classical to jazz, from solo piano to full orchestra.

All concerts are held on Sunday afternoons at 4 p.m. in the Center for the Performing Arts at Georgetown High School.

Again this year, the acclaimed Temple Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Thomas Fairlie, returns for four concerts. There will also be a return appearance by the Temple Jazz Orchestra.

This will also be the third season of recitals by finalists in the Van Cliburn International Piano Competition. This year, the audience will be treated to the artistry of Stanislav Ioudenitch, Gold Medalist in the 2001 competition.

The dates and programs are: Sept. 21: The Temple Symphony Orchestra in "A

Berlioz Bicentennial Celebration," presenting works by Hector Berlioz and J. S. Bach, featuring guest soloist, violist Daniel Stewart.

Dec. 14: The Temple Symphony Orchestra's annual Holiday Concert with the music of Antonio Vivaldi. The Williamson County Chorus and the Temple Symphony Chorale will join the orchestra in Vivaldi's "Gloria." Guest soloist will be violinist Cordelia Hagman.

Sunday, January 25: The Temple Symphony Orchestra will present its annual Family Concert. This year's theme is "The Musical March," including works by Prokofiev, Mendelssohn and Sousa.

Feb. 22: Stanislav Ioudenitch, Van Cliburn International Piano Competition Gold Medalist, will appear in recital performing on the center's Steinway Grand piano. The purchase of this instrument was made possible through generous donations to the Georgetown Symphony Society's Piano Fund. It was presented to the center in April of 2002.

March 28: The Temple Jazz Orchestra returns

with "A Gershwin Spectacular!" Appearing with the TJO will be famed saxophonist Eric Marienthal who recently performed in Austin at the One World Theatre.

May 2: The Temple Symphony Orchestra presents the fourth annual "Beethoven, Boots & Barbecue," an afternoon of casual dress (and a great dinner following the concert). This season, the orchestra will perform Beethoven's Symphony No. 8. Guest soloist for the Grieg Concerto in A minor for piano will be Rui Shi.

Bus transportation will again be available from the Village Center parking lot in Sun City for a round-trip fee of \$2.

Season tickets for 2003-2004 will remain at \$75 for adults and \$25 for students. This represents a substantial saving over the cost of six individual tickets at \$20 for adults and \$5 for students. The society can only sell 1,000 season tickets, and cannot guarantee that individual tickets will be available for all concerts.

For more information or to request a season ticket brochure, call the George-

town Symphony Society office at (512) 864-9591.

Brochures are also available at locations throughout the area, in particular the Williamson County Sun,

The Hill Country Bookstore, both H-E-Bs, the Scott & White Clinic and at the Sun City CA office.

4 - H News

By COURTNEY L. FELDER
Co. EXT. AGENT- 4-H

Jarrett Mackie, six years old, from Oenaville 4-H Clover Kids, participated in the Junior Beefmaster Breeders Association National Heifer Show held in Glen Rose, Texas, July 14-19.

He placed in the top 10 in the junior age division in several contests including judging, public speaking, and the herdsman quiz. He also placed first in the coloring contest for his age. At the heifer show, he placed first with his heifer, was named senior champion heifer, and reserve grand champion heifer, with over 250 entries competing. Congratulations to Jarrett for a job well done.

Bell County 4-H is currently making plans to participate in an exchange with 4-H'ers from Michigan for the Summers of 2004 and 2005. This is a great way for 4-H youth to experience new and different cultures, 4-H programs in a different state, and to learn about other areas of the United States of America.

To participate, 4-Hers must be at least 14 years of age and entering the ninth, 10th, or 11th grade in the fall of the enrollment year, and must not be entering their senior year in the fall. All interested youth must pay a \$100 non-refundable deposit and submit an application to the County Extension Office by October 1, 2003. Applications are now available at the County Extension Office or from any 4-H Club Manager.

Volunteers are needed to help with the lamb and goat show at the Central Texas State Fair. The show will be held Aug. 30 at the Bell County Expo Center. Contact Pam at 254-933-5309 if you will be able to help.

We would like to invite Bell County citizens to join in celebrating the retirement of James Davis. We will honor James from 4-7 p.m. Aug. 25 at the Bell County Expo Center. Come out and wish Mr. Davis a happy and fulfilling retirement.

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School leaders share tricks of the trade

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Salado hosted approximately 260 administrators, educators and paraeducators Aug. 14 as everyone gears up for the 2003-04 school year.

School personnel working with students in pre-K through fifth grade in Academy, Bartlett, Holland, Rogers, Salado and Troy gathered in the commons of the Salado Intermediate School as Doug Medford of Applebaum Institute shared research, insights and responses for

many of the challenges faced by elementary teachers.

Medford's experience ranges from small elementary facilities to the urban middle schools of California. He prefaced his presentation by noting that several years ago, he considered himself an expert. Having children of his own convinced him that he was not, after all, an expert.

However, the teachers and para-professionals in the audience indicated they

each came out of his presentation with new ideas and strategies. Many staffers requested the opportunity to experience his presentation a second (or third) time.

Staff members from Salado Intermediate and Salado High School joined secondary administrators, educators and para-educators in Holland for a similar presentation by Susan Isaacs of Randy Sprick's Teaching Strategies.

Area author to hold parental workshop

Annette Fuson, author of the book **Straight Talk for Teenage Girls**, will be conducting a workshop entitled "Straight Talk to Adults About Teens," 9 a.m.-noon Aug. 23 at Wildflower Country Club, in Temple.

The \$40 admission fee includes, in addition to the workshop, a copy of the book and lunch.

The workshop is intended to teach ways for adults to survive, challenge and encourage their teenagers to reach maturity successfully. Questions and discussion will be encouraged.

Annette Fuson is a former teacher who has transformed her many years of classroom experience into a realistic self-

help guide for teen girls and their parents.

Those interested may register by calling 771-1177 or 780-1055. Walk-ins will not be accepted.

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Deck the Walls ... With Pictures

By SAMANTHA MAZZOTTA

This is a Hammer

by Samantha Mazzotta

Question: This may be a silly question, but is there a foolproof way to hang heavy picture frames so they won't fall, without using excessive screws or

nails? My landlord is OK with some framed pictures,

but is leery about us putting too many holes in the walls.

Answer: It's not a silly question, and you're right -- using several screws or nails to hold a heavy picture frame to the wall is not necessarily any more effective or secure than using the proper number. The secret to this task is in anchoring the screws securely to the wall, so that the weight of the frame doesn't pull them out. Hanging the frame as straight and balanced as possible will also help. And, the secret to keeping your landlord happy is to use the right size screw or nail for the job.

First, decide where each frame will be hung, and note the wall's surface material. Is it drywall, plaster or wood paneling? Each needs special consideration. Then,

judge the size and weight of the frame. A small frame (about one pound or less) can be hung using lightweight picture hooks. The small brass nails of these hooks are driven into the wall at a downward angle, creating a secure connection and a very small hole. These work well in either plaster or drywall, but not so well with faux wood paneling.

For heavier frames, use plastic wall anchors or expansion bolts to secure them, especially in plaster, which tends to crumble away around screws. Plastic anchors are easy to set: Drill a hole in the wall using the recommended bit size (listed on the back of the package), tap the plastic anchor piece into the hole and drive the screw into it. The screw pushes the slightly smaller anchor against the surrounding wall material, minimizing free play and crumbling.

Expansion bolts (also called Molly bolts) are similar to anchors, except that once the screw is run through the anchor unit, the unit expands behind the wall, creating a true anchor that won't allow the screw to be pulled out by the weight of the item. Even heavier-duty anchors, called toggle bolts, use metal wings that fold out on the back side of the drywall or plaster and are great for really heavy items, including shelves and plant hooks.

Another way to anchor pictures is to find a wall stud and drive the screw directly into it. However, a stud (a vertical wood support behind drywall or plaster) might not be located in the exact spot you want to hang a picture, and you may not be able to find the stud easily.



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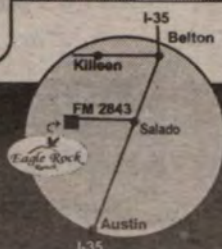
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Sales tax rebates

Recent sales tax rebates to the Village of Salado remain stagnant in August. State Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander sent an August payment of \$29,334.76, which is less than half a percent more than last August's payment of \$29,423.14.

For the year, the Village has received \$199,843.88 through August, compared to \$199,096.61 through August 2002.

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

Salado Public Library's August check of \$18,549.14 is almost 10 percent more than last year's \$16,967.71 payment. For the year, however, the Library is running only slightly ahead with \$123,732.91 in payments through August, compared to \$121,982.03 through August 2003.

The Library levies a half-cent sales tax within its boundaries that are the same as the Salado I.S.D.

Bell County received a check of \$896,780.15, which was two percent higher than last August's payment of \$875,781.85. Payments for the year to Bell County are running about the same at \$6.2 million. The county has a half-cent tax levy.

Comptroller Strayhorn sent \$385.6 million in sales tax payments to Texas cities, counties, transit departments and special purpose taxing districts. Since January, local sales tax allocations are down 0.6 percent compared to the same period last year.

Killeen had the highest payment for Bell county cities with \$1.32 million, which is two percent more than last August's \$1.28 million. For the year, Killeen is almost five percent ahead with \$9 million in payments, compared to \$8.6 million in payments through August 2002. Killeen levies a penny-and-a-half sales tax.

Temple's payment of \$1.3 million in August was almost nine percent higher than last year's \$1.2 million payment. For the year, Temple is slightly ahead with \$8.2 million received, compared to \$8.1 million in 2002. Temple also levies a penny-and-a-half local sales tax.

August sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected in June by businesses that report sales taxes monthly, and in April, May and June by quarterly filers, and reported to the Comptroller in July. The state's share of sales tax collected during this period was \$1.16 billion, down 4.6 percent compared to a year ago. Fiscal-year-to-date, the state has collected \$12.92 billion in sales tax, down 1.8 percent compared to the same period in FY02.

Strayhorn sent sales tax

rebates of \$263.5 million to 1,118 Texas cities. Sales tax rebates of \$21.4 million went to 121 Texas counties.

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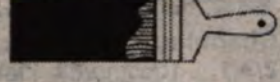
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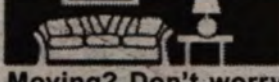
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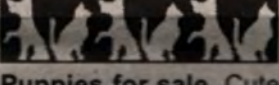
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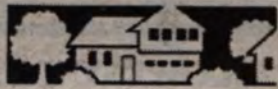


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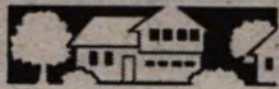
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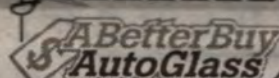
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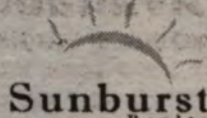


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- \$49,500 - 3 BR, 1 BA with fenced back yard.
- \$59,999 - 3 BR, 1 BA updated home in Belton.
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- \$138,500 - 1.83 acres. 3 BR/2BA open living/dining - SOLD.
- \$139,900 - Austin stone with metal roof. 3 BR, 2 BA.
- \$148,500 - 3 BR, 2 BA home on 2.66 acres - SOLD.
- \$149,900 - 3 BR, 2 BA, island in kitchen. Mill Creek
- \$149,900 - "Orange Lady's Home" fronts golf course & creek.
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- \$169,800 - Charming 2 BR/ 2 BA with separate office building.
- \$172,900 - Beautiful lot. pool. Split bedrooms - SOLD.
- \$174,900 - 4 BR in Mill Creek. Fenced back yard.
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- \$256,800 - New home in Mill Creek. Granite table.
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- \$295,000 - 4 BR home in Troy on 60 acres, barn & lake.

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- \$309,900 - 1 year old home on #3 Fairway. Landscaped.
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- \$349,500 - New home with view of Salado Creek & golf course.
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- 8.77 acres on I-35 at crossover, Exit 286 at Salado.
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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

- Rita Bend Drive - \$39,900 - Under Contract
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Acreage

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Salado Lots

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