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Water's for fightin'

Players in future of Bell County water discuss changes in regs, other solutions for supply

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

"Whiskey's for drinkin'. Water's for fightin'." -- old Texanism.

There may be some of both before all that's said is done.

Stakeholders in the fight for water in Bell County came together in a workshop session with Bell County Commissioners Oct. 20 to discuss the future needs for water in the county and the region.

Commissioners and directors of the Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District (CUWCD) debated possible changes in subdivision platting requirements in Bell County that would require subdivisions that would have individual wells on each lot to have lots no smaller than two acres.

Before a change in rules such as this can go into effect, the public would have to be involved and informed through hearings on the matter, according to Horace Grace, who presides over the CUWCD.

Currently, CUWCD rules require permits for wells with the capacity to pump more than 25,000 gallons per day. Wells that pump less than that do not require permits but must be registered.

In Bell County, underground water comes from two aquifers: the Trinity Aquifer and the Edwards' Aquifer.

The Trinity Aquifer stretches through 20 Texas counties from Travis County to the south to Parker and Tarrant Counties to the north.

Bill Couch, a senior project manager with Turner Collie and Braden, Inc., told the group, "you could cut off every one in Bell County who is pumping out of the Trinity and it would not matter.... The decline in the Trinity Aquifer is coming from the north."

The Trinity Aquifer has 77,000 acre feet per day capacity, but is being depleted by more than 90,000 acre feet per day. It is by nature a very slow

recharging aquifer and is not keeping up with the draw on it.

Part of the Trinity Aquifer dips into the South and Southwest Bell County. The Edwards Aquifer stretches up into the South and Southwestern parts of Bell County. It courses through parts of 12 Texas counties, going as far west as Kinney County and as far south as Bexar County. Couch said that while quantity of the water from the Edwards' Aquifer is not an issue, quality might become one. "The quality will continue to decline every year," Couch said.

He added that what planners must consider in dealing with water issues are "density, growth and available water."

It is the last one that the CUWCD is charged with conserving. The CUWCD oversees the water within both Bell County aquifers to assure that the water supply of the aquifers remain adequate and desirable.

Grace said that the CUWCD did not want to implement stricter regulations for underground water. "If everyone in Bell County were on surface water," Grace said, "then it (groundwater) would not be an issue."

Commissioner Tim Brown said that people will choose underground water over surface water because of cost.

"Until it is economically unfeasible or the water becomes so bad," Brown said, consumers and suppliers will choose groundwater over surface water.

Several water suppliers in the Bell County area were present for the workshop and discussed what their corporations are doing to meet future water demand.

Approaches by water companies like Salado WSC, Jarrell-Schwertner WSC and Chisholm Trail WSC include both surface and groundwater in their supply future. Chisholm Trail serves southwestern Bell County, but in much of that area, homeowners

are putting in individual wells.

Getting water to that part of their service area could cost as much as \$12 million in infrastructure improvements, according to Patty Rodgers, general manager of Chisholm Trail.

It is unlikely that will be accomplished any time soon. Nor is it likely that Chisholm Trail will give up the certification in that area to another entity, such as Salado WSC.

In the meantime, property owners are drilling their own wells and tapping into both the Edwards and Trinity aquifers. But each well takes water from the aquifers and stresses the whole system by that much more.

Concerns about the future of the aquifers have led the CUWCD to consider changes in its rules that may affect development in the area.

The CUWCD is considering adopting regulations that, when incorporated by the County Commissioners, would require subdivision plats to have individual plots of at least two acres if a well is to be drilled on the property.

Brown said that Bell county has been conservative in its plat regulations because "we have not built something into our regulatory system that won't stand up in court."

"If we are to make any changes to our platting requirements," Brown added, the changes should be well-defined, able to stand legal challenges and be "based on sound science."

Grace told the group that "we can manage our water resources here among neighbors.... or we can have the state do it for us."

Balancing issues of capacity, delivery, supply and demand with regulatory authorities and property and water rights, the principal players in the future of water may do some fightin' and some drinkin' along the way to finding answers to supply adequate clean water for the growth of the county.



(PHOTO BY CHRIS MCGREGOR)

John Hemmert is shown at left portraying Capt. Smith of the RMS Titanic during a public exhibit as part of the Titanic Texas Weekend in Salado Oct. 18.

Aldermen mull over weapons ordinance

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Salado aldermen appointed members of the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Tourism Council, as well as reviewing year-end financials and a six-page draft Weapons Ordinance during their Oct. 16 meeting.

The ordinance was drafted by the village legal counsel after a citizen expressed concern over neighbors shooting firearms on their property. The Village questioned several citizens via e-mail for their opinion, receiving back about a dozen responses, many in favor of the proposed ordinance restricting the firing of weapons within the city limits.

If approved by aldermen, the ordinance will prohibit the discharge of weapons-- including guns, firearms, explosive weapons, zip guns -- and will restrict the discharge of air guns, bows and arrows and sling shots within the limits of the village.

The draft ordinance states that "It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge, fire or shoot any firearm, explosive weapon or zip gun, or bows and arrows, sling shots, of any description in any public place, on or across any public right-of-way or across any property line within the Village limits."

The Weapons

Ordinance allows several exceptions, including licensed peace officers discharging their weapons in the course of duties; use of blanks for theatrical productions, military ceremonies or sporting events; self defense or defense of a third party; destroying predatory animals on one's own property; and animal control officers destroying fatally injured animals.

The Ordinance will also prohibit carrying weapons on the premises of any Village court or offices utilized by the Village court.

After discussing concerns with the Ordinance, aldermen took no action. Alderman Michael Cooper will review language dealing with using weapons to kill predatory animals, varmints and snakes, as well as language concerning bows and arrows.

Mayor Charlotte Douglass said that the board wants input from citizens on the issue. Opinions on the Weapons Ordinance can be sent via e-mail to vos@vvm.com

In other business, aldermen appointed the first-ever Planning and Zoning Commission: Jack Herrington, Jerry Johns, Lloyd Parks, Ronnie Tynes and Darlene Walsh. After the first staggered terms, terms on the Planning and Zoning Commission will be three years. The Commission will schedule a meeting at which to orga-

nize, stagger terms and elect a chairman.

Aldermen also reviewed year-end financials for the Village. The Village earned \$33,731.59 less than budgeted, chiefly due to a shortfall in revenues from utility franchise fees of some \$44,000 during the fiscal year.

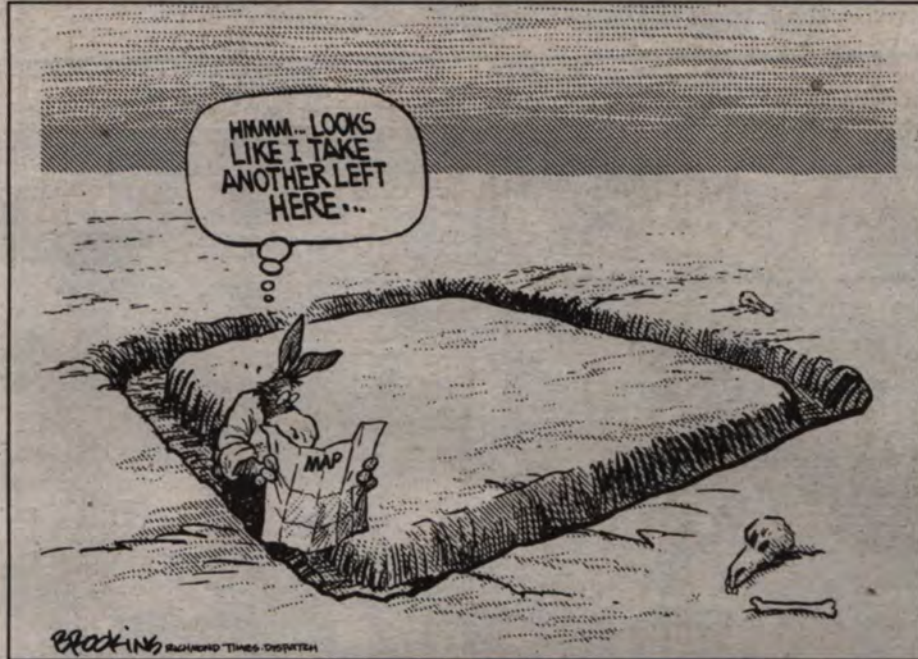
The Village spent \$544,172.51, dipping into its reserve fund by more than \$79,000. In September, aldermen amended the 2002-03 budget by approximately \$63,000 to pay off the bank loan for the purchase of the municipal building. The Village paid off the note early because it was at an interest rate much higher than the interest earned by the Village keeping the money in approved investments.

The Village spent under budget in several areas, including \$39,290.75 less in Administrative expenses, \$7,261.06 less in City Protection expenses, \$3,193.31 less in Street Maintenance and Utilities expenses and \$10,046.71 less in Contingency costs.

Aldermen also approved Tourism Council members' terms and a change in the attendance policy for the Council. Serving three year terms on the Tourism Council are Larry Wolfe and Becky MacAulay. Two-year terms are Suzanne Petro and Kim Charping. One year terms are Jackie Mills and Joan Schrock.

FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



Miracle of "Shorty"

The Academy Awards don't have a category for "Best Celebration of Human Dignity and the Wonder of Life." If it did, the new documentary "Shorty" would win running away.

"Shorty" brings us the life of Walter "Shorty" Simms, a 56-year-old with Down syndrome who is a fixture at Hampden-Sydney College in Virginia. Simms has been the all-around Mr. Fix It -- gathering towels, painting, whatever -- for the football team for 28 years, and is the team's most passionate fan. His full life is a testament to his spirit, his family and his community.

Simms is a great enthusiast. He is given to pumping his fist, "wonderful" is one of his favorite words, and he could out-hug Bill Clinton any day. You will laugh, cry and marvel watching him go about his daily business. But if you are aware of the fate of most babies with Down syndrome, you can't watch this just-released movie without a sense of sadness.

We say we are a "compassionate" society, and we make a quasi-religion of celebrating difference. Yet these different children, who make a special call on our resources of love, are systematically eliminated in the womb. Estimates are that 80 percent to 90 percent of parents who learn from prenatal tests that the child might have Down syndrome end the pregnancy. One pediatrician calls it "a cultural norm" to end such pregnancies. Shame on us.

It is hard to blame the parents. Abortion in such cases is a decision born of fear, heartbreak and a misbegotten sense of compassion. But "Shorty" will help potential parents understand what a tragic choice termination is -- what it denies the child, the world and themselves.

There is no denying the difficulties to be faced by children with Down syndrome and by their parents. The children will

The Rich Lowry Column

suffer mild to moderate mental retardation and have trouble speaking. More than half of babies with Down syndrome have a congenital heart condition. They are at higher risk for hypothyroidism and Alzheimer's disease.

But the future of such children can be looked at in a different way: Children with Down syndrome have an increased "risk" to have an uncommonly sweet disposition and an irrepressible sense of humor. They are an imminent "danger" to prompt those around them to understand the meaning of love and life more deeply.

How to fight the termination of children with Down syndrome? The first step is for doctors to stop trying to scare parents out of having such children. The rest depends on us as a society choosing to value all of our members equally. You can do your small part in a wider campaign of acceptance by having a special greeting ready the next time you run into someone with Down syndrome, and by supporting the National Down Syndrome Society (www.ndss.org).

One of the most remarkable things about Walter Simms is his unshakable determination to be included. He says at one point in "Shorty": "I feel great. This world, I'm a part of it!"

Hallelujah, hallelujah!
Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

West Texas Republicans seething over redistricting; Strayhorn v. Perry highlights GOP infighting

The fallout from the recently enacted HB 3, (AKA - Texas Congressional Redistricting Act), is as diverse as the population and landscape of the State it was designed to represent. Immediate reaction ranged from disgust to outright anger and strangely enough - coming mostly from the very political party that created and finally passed it on October 12.

West Texas Republicans were seething with resentment and bitter denunciation over the remapping of their districts, blaming first and foremost - U. S. House Majority Leader Tom DeLay whose imperialistic attitude forced state officials to comply with his, and the White House's demands, that could potentially harm the current crop of Congressmen that the folks from San Angelo, Abilene, Amarillo and Lubbock elected, including both Republicans and Democrats.

Also blamed were Speaker Tom Craddick (who demanded a new district centered in his hometown of Midland) as well as Governor Perry and Lt. Gov. Dewhurst for acting as "puppets and lap dogs" of the FED-GOPs - led by "Bugsy" DeLay.

Editorials from the strongest conservative areas out West screamed: "We feel abandoned" (Abilene Reporter-News); "Elimination of Moderation" (San Angelo Standard-Times); "Lawmakers have shafted the Panhandle" (Amarillo Globe-News) and "Redistricting has not been good for the State" (Lubbock Avalanche-Journal) - all newspapers with strong GOP leanings - at least up to now.

DEMOS AT COURTHOUSE

On October 14 Democrats (as promised) marched to Tyler's Federal courthouse seeking a "stop-order" to keep the State from implementing the new GOP redistricting scheme - basing their request on violations of the Voting Rights Act and the Supreme Court's ban on racial gerrymandering.

Interestingly enough - the motion was filed at the same courthouse that produced the three judge federal panel who created our current congressional districts in 2001, after the legislature failed to do their job that year.

Democrats hope to prevail at the District Court level but have plans to carry their remap-killing-hopes to the Fifth District Court of Appeals if necessary. Both sides have indicated they are prepared to battle all the way to the Supreme Court.

INFIGHTING AT GOP-TOP

Statewide newspapers and press services began reporting, just hours after the special session ended, that infighting was continuing between the Republican "leadership" citing Lt. Governor David Dewhurst's ongoing problem with Speaker Craddick that deepened throughout the regular session and didn't stop after the "Sine Die" that closed the session.

Readers will recall Dewhurst's correct analysis about working with Craddick: "Like negotiating with an Iranian cab driver who gets what he wants at first and then adds two or three more requests." **Dewhurst made Iranians, taxicab drivers, Craddick and all his reactionary followers angry with four quick shots - all without reloading.**

PERRY-STRAYHORN SAGA CONTINUES

Governor Rick Perry and Comptroller Carole Strayhorn, who will probably face off in the 2006 gubernatorial campaign, are both proving the Grand Old Party has as many donnybrooks as bad old liberal Democrats traditionally have - although up to now the conservatives have kept their "free-for-alls" behind closed doors. **More dignified don't you know?**

Perry peevishly simmered over Stray-

Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



horn's blast at the biennial spending plan produced by lawmakers in the closing days of the regular session. The Comptroller proclaimed the budget "unbalanced" and threatened not to certify it.

And to top off that internecine blast, she published in her September newsletter "Fiscal Notes" a not-very-discreet denunciation of Perry, Craddick, Dewhurst and their Republican toadies in both houses for passing a bunch of new fees to the tune of \$2.7 billion bucks - all because they refused to enact a single new or additional tax.

GOP legislators were furious since this sort of info can (and will) be used in upcoming elections to their disadvantage, so together with the Guv, these jokers put together a Republican styled "punitive comeuppance" (HB 7) and forced it through both houses just before the end of the final special session.

"PAY-BACK" LEGISLATION

The "Pay-Back" legislation took away two of Strayhorn's high visibility projects including the governmental efficiency reviews (e-Texas) and the school performance audits. To add insult to injury - the jobs were handed to the Legislative Budget Board - a creature of the Governor and Legislature, hence completely under their control.

And then, as a not so subtle "coup-de-grace", lawmakers assigned the State Auditor, (who is appointed by the Legislature), watchdog duties over the Comptroller's dealings with businesses whose taxes are being questioned.

The bill's author Rep. David Swinford; R-Amarillo, candidly noted the intent of the "watchdog" provision was to prevent business from influencing the comptroller (with campaign contributions) during a tax problem negotiation!

That was enough to fire up the feisty Comptroller and she did just that with a blast at Perry and the legislature during a speech in Houston the day after the session ended, where she did everything short of telling Perry she was going after him in the next election.

Incidentally, it was learned later that Perry had "demanded" the GOP caucus pass the "Gotcha, Miss Smarty Strayhorn" bill - saying it was "personal".

It would appear that the battle between Grandma and the Guv has now become "super personal." Our money is on the lady!

STRAYHORN & HUTCHISON AGAINST PERRY IN 2006?

Strayhorn is on safe grounds tackling Perry, whose popularity is hovering around 39 percent, while the Comptroller is second only to Senator Kay Hutchison, who tops all political opinion polls. Hutchison hankers to return home to complete her career with an eight year tour as Governor and it appears 2006 is the target date.

A fight between Hutchison and Strayhorn, while fun to watch, might take away GOP leaning independent votes and turn the Mansion over to a Democrat. Much like 1978 when John Hill angered moderate Democrats during a nasty primary waged against Governor Dolph Briscoe. The defeated Briscoe forces angrily worked against the hated Hill in the general election, resulting in the election of the first Republican since reconstruction - "Wild" Bill Clements.

That's -30-

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By JACK FARIS

As the annual chase for baseball's World Series championship ensues, American small-business owners have more in common with the players on the field than they might realize.

Entrepreneurs are no strangers to blistering curves, wild pitches and knuckleballs thrown at them with blinding speed. Instead of horsehide-covered spheres weighing five ounces, these "balls" aimed at small-business owners appear with frightening regularity in the form of government-mandated wages, regulations and taxes.

Somehow though, morale in the dugout is high, according to the results of NFIB's recent economic trends report. Optimism on Main Street took a big leap recently and the buzz among the team is that now's the time to expand operations.

But the team of lawmakers from Capitol Hill reared back and fired a high, hard one when it refused to update the nearly 50-year-old employee overtime provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act to give workers flexibility and allow employers to offer financial rewards for improved productivity and profitability.

That wasn't the first one to cross the small-business plate. Back before the economy started gaining momentum, a mandatory wage increase bill came out of the Senate's left field. Deceptively labeled the Fair Minimum Wage Act of 2003, this slider threatened to nail small business in the hip pocket with yet another government-imposed pay boost to \$5.90 an hour, then another hike to \$6.65 one year later.

Needless to say, small business cried "foul" and opposed the measure on the grounds that government manipulation of the starting wage has failed as

a tool of social and economic improvement. Free-enterprise umpires agree that minimum wage hikes not only hurt small firms, but their employees as well.

But the challengers continue to ignore the cheers rising from the stands as reports of capital-spending improvement, inventory investment and hiring plans flash up on the scoreboard. The economists who conducted the recent survey assure us that the record optimism stats signal big wins for growth during the second half of this year.

Growing firms could put one in the upper deck, but procedural spitballs from the Senate have prevented the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001 from becoming a permanent change to the tax code. Good only through 2010, this statute provides small-business owners temporary relief from high individual tax rates, eliminates the death tax, eliminates the marriage penalty and makes a number of significant tax cuts and reforms to our nation's pension laws. But what happens then? Without a permanent, predictable policy environment in which to make sound business decisions, small-business owners will be scoring fewer economic home runs.

One fat pitch that entrepreneurs could slam into orbit would come in the form of affordable medical care through Association Health Plans, but while the House has done its part, the Senate isn't even in the ballpark yet.

Still, no matter how many wild pitches American small-business owners face, you can always count on them to hang in there and swing for the fences.

Jack Faris is president of NFIB (the National Federation of Independent Business), the nation's largest small-business advocacy group.

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Terrorists & hostile regimes Heritage Forum

Edwin Feulner

Nations.

"[Some states] reserve the right to act unilaterally, or in ad hoc coalitions," Annan told the General Assembly on Sept. 23. "This logic represents a fundamental challenge to the principles on which, however imperfectly, world peace and stability have rested for the last 58 years" and could result "in a proliferation of the unilateral and lawless use of force, with or without justification."

It's funny, really, that Annan would even mention "logic" in the midst of his absurd claim. After all, it's terrorists who engage in the "lawless use of force," who threaten "world peace and stability" and who "act unilaterally." And it's the United States who acts to stop them.

No one doubts that Saddam Hussein supported terrorism. We know, for example, that he arranged cash payments for Palestinian suicide bombers and used weapons of mass destruction against his own people. Saddam posed a terrorist threat to the entire world—a threat that's been neutralized in spite of the United Nations, not because of it.

But that reality (and the fact his country had nothing to do with Saddam's removal) hasn't stopped Chirac from thumbing his nose at President Bush. "In an open world," the French leader told the General Assembly, "no one can live in isolation, no one can act alone in the name of all, and no one can accept the anarchy of a society without rules."

As Chirac surely knows, the United States doesn't seek to live in isolation. But as Bush has said, we'll do what it takes to protect ourselves from terrorists, and that includes working with other nations. Let's not forget we assembled a "coalition of the willing" that included more than 54 countries to help fight in war in Iraq. As for "anarchy," it was the United States that insisted on enforcing the dozen or so U.N. disarmament resolutions.

The sad fact is, the only thing that terrorists respect is force. You can't reason with them, and they have no love for the United Nations. In August, a suicide bomber attacked the U.N. building in Baghdad, killing 22 people. France has had its own problems with terrorists. Over the years, Algerian terrorists have carried out a series of attacks, killing dozens of people.

Just two years ago, the world changed. President Bush recognizes that. Our forceful response to 9/11, targeting terrorists in Afghanistan, Iraq and elsewhere - has helped prevent another attack on our soil.

When Iraq's democracy is up and running, it will be an example for every other nation in the region to follow. It's time for the United Nations to realize that negotiations won't stop terrorism. It can either help us in the struggle, or continue its march to irrelevance.

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

Biotech capture of Washington



Jim Hightower

A GMO is not a hot new muscle car marketed to young drivers - it's a Genetically Modified Organism, and these GMOs are being secretly sold to us through our supermarkets.

Thousands of the food products you bring home - especially those made with corn and soybeans - contain these genetically altered organisms, put there not by farmers developing new and better hybrid crops, but by the likes of Monsanto and other profiteers that have scientists in their labs recklessly moving genes among species, including from animals to plants. They are messing with the very DNA of our food supply without even testing the long-term impact of this manipulation on human health or on our ecology. And they're doing it without even telling us that it's in our food.

In Europe, Japan, Latin America, Africa and elsewhere, people have rejected these Frankenfoods, either banning them outright or at least requiring that they be clearly labeled. So why is our government allowing these corporations to use your family and mine as their genetic guinea pigs?

Money, honey. The biotech industry knew that U.S. consumers, like those everywhere, would naturally recoil from such tampered foods, so over the last decade, it invaded Washington with its campaign funds and lobbyists. For example, just in the past five years, this industry poured \$89 million into lobbying our Washington officials and put millions more into the campaign funds of the White House and Congress.

Monsanto alone, which now controls 70 percent of the global market for GMO seeds and has led the charge to prevent labeling of these food products, made \$3 million in campaign contributions in this period. Eighty percent of that went to Republicans, and George W dutifully named a Monsanto lobbyist to be the number two official at the Environmental Protection Agency.

The biotech giants haven't merely invaded Washington, they've captured it - and that's why we're being kept in the dark by our own government.




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WHO ARE THE UNINSURED?

Numbers point to problem created when legislation driven by headlines

By CHRIS PATTERSON

Another horrifying announcement from our newspapers a few weeks ago – millions of Americans are uninsured. It's so often repeated, we no longer have to ask what people are going without. This is about health insurance.

Most articles began with alarming statistics, as the *Austin American-Statesman* did: "The number of Americans who lack health insurance climbed by nearly

six percent in 2002, to 43.6 million, the largest single increase in a decade, according to figures to be released today by the Census Bureau."

Such stories, and agitated editorials that followed, are geared to evoke cries of outrage for the victims. We are led to believe that this "crisis" is "growing" and, like random urban violence, not one of us may be spared.

Editorial pages have been calling on leg-

islators – state and federal – to do something, and do it quickly. They call for more laws, more spending, more taxes, more government.

"We need to breathe deeply, calm down and look at the facts.

The National Center for Policy Analysis, based in Dallas, recently examined the numbers of "uninsured."

Almost three-fourths of the newly "uninsured" are people who are making over \$50,000,

according to the NCPA report, and simply choose not to purchase health insurance. While this decision says many things about the cost of medicine, it does not mean that people without health insurance are poor and desperate for help.

Since 1993 the number of uninsured in households with annual incomes above \$75,000 increased 114 percent, according to the NCPA. On the other side of the

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Letters acknowledge spirit of support and volunteerism

Dear Editor:

The Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary would like to thank everyone who contributed to the success of the "Christmas in October" Bake Sale.

The talented Salado bakers and candy makers supplied a dazzling array of delicious home made goodies that awed the visitors to the event. Their time and effort is greatly appreciated.

I would also like to thank Rick Strong of Brookshire Bros., H.E.B. in Temple and the Salado Village Artists for contrib-

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uting so much to the project. And a special thanks to the volunteers who gave so generously of their time to make the event so successful. With their support the Auxiliary can continue to give grants back to the community.

Sincerely,
Barbara Snook

To the Editor:

The Salado Humane Society would like to thank

everyone who made the Annual Benefit Dinner and Auction such a success.

Once again so many made the benefit a huge success with their continuing support. Thanks go out to *Salado Village Voice*, in addition to the numerous merchants and businesses of the Salado area for their promotion of the benefit.

The Salado Veterinary Hospital's willingness to

offer tickets prior to the event was greatly appreciated. Staff and management of the Salado Mansion are to be thanked for providing all with a great dinner.

With the generous donations provided by the many shops, businesses and people of Salado and the surrounding area, Bill Hall conducted a very successful live auction.

And finally, a big thank you to all who made the benefit such a success by their attendance and generous support for the ongoing needs of homeless animals throughout the Salado area.

Pat Gagnon
Salado

Notice of Requirement to Comply with the Subdivision Service Extension Policy of

DOG RIDGE WATER SUPPLY CORP., P.O. BOX 232, BELTON, TX 76513

Pursuant to Chapter 13.2502 of the Texas Water Code, DOG RIDGE Water Supply Corporation/Special Utility District hereby gives notice that any person who subdivides land by dividing any lot, tract, or parcel of land, within the service area of DOG RIDGE Water Supply Corporation/Special Utility District. Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No. 0140044, in BELL County, into two or more lots or sites for the purpose of sale or development, whether immediate or future, including re-subdivision of land for which a plat has been filed and recorded or requests more than two water or sewer service connections on a single contiguous tract of land must comply with [title of subdivision service extension policy stated in the tariff/policy] (the "Subdivision Policy") contained in DOG RIDGE Water Supply Corporation's tariff/Special Utility District's policy.

DOG RIDGE Water Supply Corporation/Special Utility District is not required to extend retail water or sewer utility service to a service applicant in a subdivision where the developer of the subdivision has failed to comply with the Subdivision Policy.

Among other requirements, the Subdivision Policy requires:

Evaluation by DOG RIDGE Water Supply Corporation/Special Utility District of the impact a proposed subdivision service extension will make on DOG RIDGE Water Supply Corporation's/Special Utility District's water supply/sewer service system and payment of the costs for this evaluation;

Payment of reasonable costs or fees by the developer for providing water supply/sewer service capacity;

Payment of fees for reserving water supply/sewer service capacity;

Forfeiture of reserved water supply/sewer service capacity for failure to pay applicable fees;

Payment of costs of any improvements to DOG RIDGE Water Supply Corporation's/Special Utility's District's system that are necessary to provide the water/sewer service;

Construction according to design approved by DOG RIDGE Water Supply Corporation/Special Utility District and dedication by the developer of water/sewer facilities within the subdivision following inspection.

DOG RIDGE Water Supply Corporation's/Special Utility District's tariff and a map showing DOG RIDGE Water Supply Corporation's/Special Utility District's service area may be reviewed at DOG RIDGE Water Supply Corporation's/Special Utility District's offices, P.O. Box 232, Belton, TX 76513; the tariff/policy and service area map also are filed of record at the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission in Austin, Texas and may be reviewed by contacting the TNRCC, c/o Utility Rates and Services [Certification and Rate Design] Section, Water Utilities Division, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711.

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Uninsured from page 4A

economic divide, the study finds the number of uninsured with annual incomes below \$25,000 fell by 17 percent.

The NCPA uncovered some facts that don't make it to the newspapers. For example, young adults are less likely than other age groups to have health insurance, while those over 65 are almost all insured. Americans between the ages of 18 and 34 make up some 41 percent of the "uninsured." This makes sense. We all remember the invincible years of the twenties - that is a healthy age and most young people are making the economic decision not to waste their money for insurance they do not need at the time.

Most interesting of NCPA's findings is the length of time people remain uninsured: just under a year in 75 percent of the cases.

The shrillness of many press releases and news stories disguise the fact that many without health insurance are making a rational choice. Trumping feelings over fact, the unin-

sured are portrayed as hapless victims of hard employers and greedy insurers.

While passing legislation to create more programs that spend more money might make for good politics, they do no good in the long run and often deflect resources from the truly needy.

Perhaps the only accurate conclusion we can draw from headlines is that a great many Americans are opting to take care of themselves in ways not reflected in insurance headcounts.

Instead of creating more programs, lawmakers should search for ways to make it easier for us all to plan and pay for our individual health care needs. Rather than raising taxes to slay an illusory dragon, legislators could reduce the mandates making health care - and health insurance - so expensive for every one.

Chris Patterson is director of research for the Texas Public Policy Foundation.

Friends Feeding Friends collection ends Oct. 23

The Friends Feeding Friends Food Drive at Thomas Arnold Elementary School will come to a close Oct. 23.

TAE is asking for donations of dry food and canned goods, as well as toiletries including shampoos, soaps, etc.

Items for donation may be dropped off at the ele-

mentary school, or at the Brookshire Brothers grocery store.

All donations will be dispersed in the community through the Food Pantry at the First Baptist Church in Salado.

For more information about the food drive, call TAE at 947-5191.

GT Dept. meeting for parents

The Salado ISD Gifted and Talented Department will hold a meeting Oct. 28 at the Civic Center.

GT teachers will meet with parents of current GT

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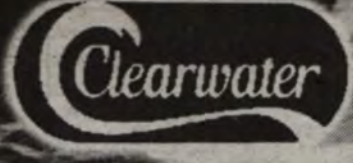
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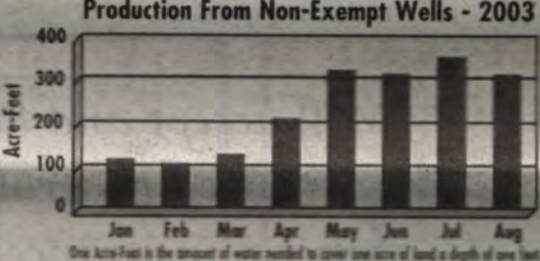
THE CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

DISTRICT INFORMATION

The Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District (CUWCD) is responsible for managing the groundwater in Bell County. There are two major aquifers within the District - the Edwards (Balcones Fault Zone - BFZ) and the Trinity. The Edwards (BFZ) is located in the southern portion of the county and the Trinity underlies all of Bell County.

Well Registration: All wells are required to be registered with the District. This includes wells that are not in use. Non-exempt wells (generally wells producing more than 25,000 gallons per day) are also required to obtain an operating permit and report monthly production figures. Over 4,000 wells have been registered from February 2002 through August 2003. Of these, 42 are active non-exempt wells. Production figures for the non-exempt wells from January through August 2003 are shown in the following chart and total 607.5 million gallons, or 1,864 acre-feet.

Production From Non-Exempt Wells - 2003



One Acre-Foot is the amount of water needed to cover one acre of land a depth of one foot.


Water Quality Testing: The District is purchasing equipment to provide in-house testing for basic drinking water parameters. This test will be free for registered well owners.

Aquifer Monitoring: The District takes water level measurements from selected wells twice annually - once in January and once in July. This data supplements water level measurements taken annually by the Texas Water Development Board and provides valuable information on the dynamics of the aquifers. Water levels for six of the measured wells are shown in the table below.

State Well No.	Location	Aquifer	Depth From Land Surface (ft)		
			Jan/Feb 1993	Jan 1998	Jan 2003
58-04-702	SW of Salado	Edwards (BFZ)	75.00	70.99	78.25
58-04-801	S of Salado	Edwards (BFZ)	139.70	136.08	144.15
40-45-701	NW of Moffat	Trinity	*630.00	653.00	646.00
40-53-102	NW of Moffat	Trinity	*55.14	61.60	68.35
58-04-103	W of Salado	Trinity	301.70	302.27	310.80
58-05-901	Holland	Trinity	**Flowing at Surface	6.00	23.70

NOTE: larger numbers represent greater depth to reach the water surface, i.e. a decline in the aquifer level.
*Measurement taken in October 1993. **Measurement taken in January 1995.

Upcoming Events: Annual Water Symposium, Bell County Expo, November 19, 2003 • Public hearings on revised District rules, November/December 2003 • Essay/poster contest, January/February 2004 • Earth Day events, April 14, 15, and 17, 2004.



TRINITY **EDWARDS (BFZ)**
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THE WATER CYCLE

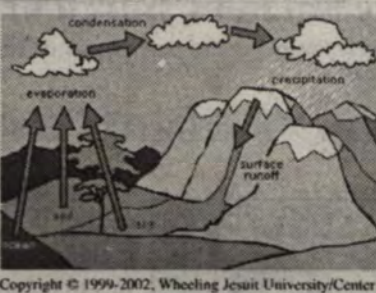
Introduction: The Water Cycle or Hydrologic Cycle is a series of movements of water above, on, and below the surface of the earth. The water cycle consists of four distinct stages: storage, evaporation, precipitation, and runoff. Water may be stored temporarily in the ground; in oceans, lakes, and rivers; and in ice caps and glaciers. It evaporates from the earth's surface, condenses in clouds, falls back to the earth as precipitation (rain or snow), and eventually either runs into the seas or re-evaporates into the atmosphere. Almost all the water on the earth has passed through the water cycle countless times.

Storage: Slightly more than 97 percent of the earth's water is ocean water and is therefore salty. Fresh water is stored in glaciers, lakes, and rivers. It is also stored as groundwater in the soil and rocks. There are about 8.6 million cu. mi. of fresh water on the earth.

Evaporation: Evaporation is the process by which liquid water changes to water vapor and enters the atmosphere as a gas. Every day about 290 cu. mi. of water evaporates from the ocean, land, plants, and ice caps, while an equal amount of precipitation falls back on earth. The evaporation rate on the earth varies...the average is about 3.3 ft. per year.

Precipitation: Precipitation occurs when water vapor in the atmosphere condenses into clouds and falls to the earth. Precipitation can take a variety of forms, including rain, snow, ice pellets, and hail. Almost two-thirds of this precipitation re-evaporates into the atmosphere, while the rest flows down rivers to the oceans.

Runoff: Water that flows down streams and rivers is called surface runoff. Water reaches rivers in the form of either overland flow or groundwater flow and then flows downstream. Overland flow occurs during and shortly after intense rainstorms or periods of rapid melting of snow and ice. Groundwater flow runs through rocks and soil. Precipitation and meltwater percolate into the ground and reach a level, known as the water table, at which all of the spaces in the rocks are filled with water.



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- There are about 340 million cu mi of water on the earth, enough to cover the United States with water 92 mi deep.
- The world's two main reservoirs of fresh water are the great polar ice caps, which contain about 6.7 million cu mi, and the ground, which contains about 2 million cu mi.
- Almost all groundwater is found in the top 5 to 10 mi of the earth.
- If evaporation did not replenish the water lost by precipitation, the atmosphere would dry out in ten days.
- About 70 cu mi of precipitation falls on the land each day.
- Every day about 24 cu mi of water flows into the seas from the world's rivers.
- The speed of groundwater flow averages less than 3.3 ft a day.

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Orchestra Rehearsal	4:45 p.m.	Fellowship Meal	5:30 p.m.
Adult Choir Rehearsal	5:00 p.m.	Youth Choir	6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.	Prayer Service	6:15 p.m.
		Team Kid (Age 3 - 6th grade)	6:00 p.m.
		Bible Drill (4th - 6th)	7:00 p.m.
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St. Stephen women meet

The St. Stephen Women's Society enjoyed a program by Kandy Kirkley on "Hospitality of Women in the Bible" during its October meeting. Hostesses were Barbara Hoelscher, Roxie Vincent and Peggy Watson with fall decorations and refreshments.

Barbara Hoelscher presented information on the Nov. 16 Turkey Bingo afternoon. There will be 20 games of bingo with a

turkey as a prize for the winners. Bingo cards will be \$2 each. Activities will start at 2 p.m.

Plans are underway to sponsor a St. Stephen Parish Christmas Dinner on Dec. 19.

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SPORTS

Eagles prepare for undefeated Jarrell

By CHRIS MCGREGOR
STAFF WRITER

When the Salado Eagles take the field against the Jarrell Cougars Oct. 24, senior night, they will be playing what is, by far, their most important game of the season.

Jarrell will make the short trip up I-35 riding a wave of confidence. Thus far, the Cougars have put together a flawless season. They come into the game with a 7-0 record, 3-0 in district. Jarrell had a bye week last week.

Salado, with two games remaining in the regular season, is in a position of controlling their own play-off destiny.

Coach Cheatham's Eagles are 5-3 overall, having won their last two contests over Academy and Florence. Those two victories evened Salado's district mark at 2-2. In the

midst of an 0-3, injury-riddled slide earlier in the season, Salado lost district games to 6-1 Rogers and 5-3 Lexington.

If Salado is to come out on top Friday night, they will have to make it their mission to stop Jarrell's horse, senior tailback John Robbins. Seven games into Jarrell's season, Robbins has already eclipsed the 1,000 yard mark. His 158 carries have netted 1,075 yards, equal to an 8.46 average per carry. Robbins leads District 25-AA in touchdowns with 16.

"They have an explosive offense, with a really strong running game," said Cheatham. "But we feel good about how we match up against them and their running game."

Cheatham says his team will not approach this game any differently than they have any other. "We're

going to have to play a smart game and stick with our assignments on defense. Jarrell likes to run the option, and we're going to have to stop it," Cheatham explained.

Where Jarrell finds success in the running game, the Eagles find theirs through the air. Scott Bates leads the district in passing, with 994 yards and four TD passes. Bates also has five touchdowns on the ground. Chase Simpson has emerged as his favorite target in recent weeks. Simpson is the district leader in receptions, having hauled in 27 catches for 445 yards, a 16.48 yard average. Three of his receptions have gone for scores.

Although Jarrell is undefeated, Cheatham said they've had some close scrapes in recent weeks and have shown points of vulnerability. Florence, who the Eagles beat 14-0, squan-

dered a 29-19 lead over Jarrell, and Lexington failed to capitalize on many chances in their matchup versus the Cougars. Jarrell did not play a strong pre-district schedule.

Masons Chili Supper

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Oct. 27: Breakfast on a Stick, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk

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Oct. 27: Steak Fingers, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Chef Salad, Hoagie, Milk

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Eagles shut out Florence Buffs, 14-0 to go 2-2 in district play

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Salado Eagles shut out the Florence Buffaloes 14-0 on the road Oct. 17 to improve to 5-3 on the year and 2-2 in district play. Salado will play host to the Jarrell Cougars 7:30 p.m. Oct. 24.

Chase Simpson kicked two of three field goal attempts. His first was a 33 yarder with 11 seconds left in the first quarter of play. It capped a 20 yard scoring drive that was set up by a 20 yard punt return by Wesley Ruth. After pushing from their own 23 yard line to the Buffs' nine yard line, Salado turned over the ball at the Florence one when Bates fumbled on a first down run. Bates had connected with Ruth for 31 yards to move the ball to the nine yard line on the play before.

The Eagles defense held Florence deep in its own territory, stopping Shane Wigington short of the first down on three straight runs, forcing the Buffs to punt from their own eight yard line.

A minute and a half



(PHOTO BY SCHUYLER KUYKENDALL)
Matt Brown tries to escape the grasp of a Florence Buffalo as another defender closes in on him. The Eagles beat Florence 14-0 Oct. 17

later, the Eagles scored the field goal.

As time ran out in the first half, Salado stopped a Florence drive at their own 24 yard line. The Buffs' 41 yard field goal fell short,

giving Salado the ball at their own 24 yard line with half a minute left.

Bates hit James Lutz for 12 yards and then Kris Stineman for 38 yards before killing the ball at

the Florence 26 yard line with nine seconds left in the half. Simpson's kick sailed just wide of the uprights.

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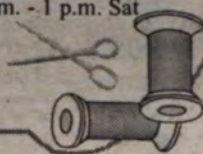
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A family tennis festival was held Oct. 19 sponsored by Stagecoach Inn/Mill Creek, USTA tennis and Salado ISD, for the rededication/ribbon cutting of the newly resurfaced tennis courts in Salado. Tennis activities included games for all levels as well as prizes and USTA t-shirts for all participants. Resurfacing of the courts was completed this month through the combined efforts of grants written by Debbie Dixon, and support from Stagecoach Inn/Mill Creek and Salado ISD. If you are interested in tennis in Salado or would like to form a community tennis association, contact Melissa Hyer at (254) 947-6900, ext. 2075.

Eagles

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Salado took the 3-0 lead into the locker room. After a scoreless third quarter, Salado added to the lead with a 40 yard field goal by Simpson with eight minutes left in the game. The Eagle defense stopped Wigington short of a first down on a fourth down and one attempt, taking over at the Florence 45 yard line. Bates hit Ruth for 19 yards and Matt Brown pushed the ball to the Florence 15 yard line when he took a hand off for five yards on fourth down and four to go.

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Salado could not progress the ball further, getting moved back to the 23 yard line on a holding call before Simpson kicked the field goal. The Eagles forced Florence to turn the ball over on downs at the Buffs' 48 yard line. Bates moved the ball to the 32 yard line on two carries of eight yards. Brown pushed the ball to the 23 yard line on two rushes before Bates ran a quarterback draw for 11 yards and a first down at the Florence 12 yard line. On third down at the Buffs' five yard line, Brown took a hand off and needed the Florence defense for the touchdown with 2:29 left in the game. Bates ran in the two-point conversion to give Salado a 14-0 lead. Florence pushed the ball to the Eagles' 18 yard line before Cody Gobin recovered a fumble at the Salado 26 to end the game.

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Relying on the big play with seconds left in the first half, the junior varsity Salado Eagles ground out a 6-0 defensive victory Oct. 16 versus the Florence Buffaloes.

The lone points of the game came on a 24 yard pass from the arm of Justin Konzen that was hauled in by Scott Williams with 24 seconds remaining in the half.

"Defensively, the kids played extremely well. Offensively, we made too many mental mistakes," said Coach Travis Ling.

"D.J. Hampton and Justin Konzen ran the ball well, while Craig Jackson, Brandon Peters, Colby Cox and Nathan Houston were around the ball all night," Ling added. "We will continue to work hard to improve and correct our mistakes. The kids have worked hard all year and we are real proud of them."

The JV's record stands at 4-1-1 with two games remaining.

Freshmen

Finding themselves in a defensive grudge-match as well, the freshmen Eagles were unable to capitalize on offensive opportunities and were defeated by the Hutto Hippos 14-6 Oct. 16. The loss dropped the freshmen to 3-3.

Things started well for Salado, as they took the opening drive 87 yards, culminating in a 13 yard touchdown by Misa Jaimes.

Hutto returned the favor on their first drive, and also converted their two-point try, which brought the score to 8-6, where it would remain until the fourth, when the Hippos would ice the game with another touchdown.

The coaches pinned the loss on penalties and mental mistakes, saying the

defense played well and the offense was able to move the ball the entire game.

Jon Cornelius was an offensive standout, and Aaron Winters had a strong game defensively.

Eighth Grade

Continuing their winning ways, the eighth graders emerged from a scoreless first half with touchdowns in the third and fourth quarter to shut out Florence 16-0, Oct. 16 in Salado.

It wasn't the Eagle offense that scored first, however. With the score deadlocked in the third, the Eagle defense backed Florence up and forced a fumble in the end zone, which was pounced on by Josh Bush for the game's first touchdown. Under a slightly different format, with the point after kick counting as two points, Leo Galvan split the uprights to bring the score to 8-0.

With the defense hold-

ing the Buffaloes in check, Salado put the game out of reach in the fourth when Galvan scored on a 26-yard run. The PAT by Galvan was successful for the second time in the game.

"Great defensive game. The defense gave us a spark to pull the game out," said Coach Melvin Bates.

The coaching staff named Galvan, Blake Heller, Dallas Butts and Denny Jordan as outstanding offensive players, while Bush, Nick Mohammed, Jon Nix, Kevin Jackson and Jonas Goode (one interception) had strong games defensively.

The eighth graders now boast a 5-1 mark for the season.

Seventh Grade

Compared to the game's played by their older counterparts, the seventh graders game against Florence was nothing short of a track meet. The two teams combined for 46 points, with

Salado coming out on top by a 27-19 final. The Eagles scored all of their points in the game's first two quarters and survived a late Florence rally to bring their record to 3-1.

Garrett Ward got things started in the first, breaking through the Buffalo defense to ramble in from

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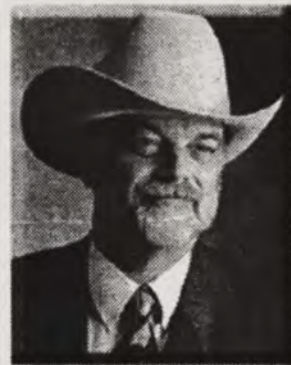


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36 yards out. Playing in the same PAT format as the eight grade, Ward's successful conversion run counted for one point.

Tyler Wright connected

with Matt Ming for a 42 yard touchdown pass in the second. Wright then ran the ball in for the one point conversion.

In the second of his three

touchdowns, Ward plunged in from the six yard line to extend Salado's lead. The PAT was unsuccessful.

Ward closed out the scoring for the Eagles with his 12 yard touchdown scamper and the successful PAT run that followed.

Outstanding players were Barton Grigsby, Jake Bradshaw, Ward, Bryce Dunks, Wight, Jerod Lutz, Josh Rodriguez, Juan Magadon, Logan Foster and C.J. Little.

The seventh graders travel to Jarrell Oct. 23. Games begin at 5 p.m.

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Cross country teams run in Troy meet

Chelsea Ervi and Leigh Martin finished first and second to lead the Salado girls' varsity cross country team to victory Oct. 17 at the Troy Invitational Cross Country Championships.

The two girls were separated by less than a second, with times of 14:54.6 and 14:54.9, respectively.

Rachel Hargrove finished a strong fifth with a time of 15:42, followed by Rachel Blodgett in 11th place at 16:09. Valerie Clark followed with a time of 16:18 to capture 13th place, while Rebekah Quick took 16th place with a time of 16:27. Fighting shin splints and a sore calf muscle Brittany Goodnight gutted out a time of 16:40 to capture 20th.

Salado outdistanced second place Bruceville-Eddy by 32 points.

"It was a good warm-up before next week's district championship in Somerville, since we were able to beat Academy and Florence at the meet," said Coach Cindy Mewhinney.

Nick Everett ran another strong race, winning by more than 15 seconds over his next closest opponent with a time of 16:38. Travis Clark fought his way to a time of 18:10 to finish fourth over the three mile course.

Not far behind was John Kendall in seventh place at 18:32. Grant Boston and Clay Sharum finished 24th and 26th, respectively, with times of 20:28 and 20:34. Michael Spinks rounded out the group in 34th place at 23:44.

Missing Ryan Clark, who was out with an injured foot, hurt the boys varsity team as Bruceville-Eddy edged them out for first place by seven points, 55 to 62.

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#4 Stagecoach Dam	21.72	7.09	0.505	4.30	.083	5.8	450

Casey passes away at age 81

Wayne F. Casey, Sr., 81, of Salado died Oct. 14, 2003 in a Temple hospital.

Services were held Oct. 18 at the Salado Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. O.B. Casey officiating. Burial followed in the Salado Cemetery with military honors.

Casey was born Feb. 26, 1922 in Temple to James F. and Linda

Walker Casey.

During World War II, he served in the Army with Company I, 143 Infantry, 36th Division and during the Korean conflict with the 24th Division. He was awarded the Purple Heart and the Congressional Medal of Honor. He was discharged from the Army with the rank of Master Sergeant.

On Dec. 16, 1944, he

and Lois Woolley were married in Temple. After his military service, Casey worked in Civil Service at Ft. Hood for over 20 years, after that he was a carpenter in Bell County.

His favorite hobby was fishing. He was a 32nd Degree Mason.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, C.M. Casey.

He is survived by his

wife, Lois Casey of Salado; son, Wayne F. Casey, Jr. of Belton; brothers, O.B. Casey of Oklahoma and Albert Casey of Troy; sisters, Evelyn Fritz of Quitman and Frances Tippit of Houston; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

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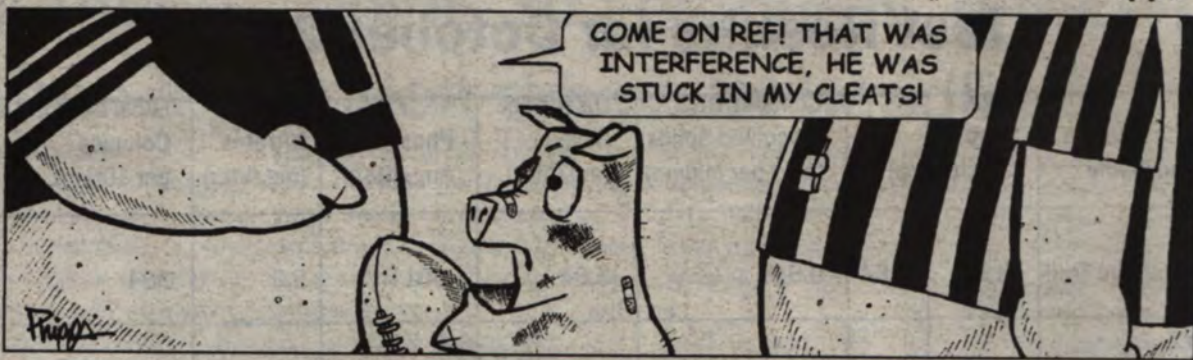
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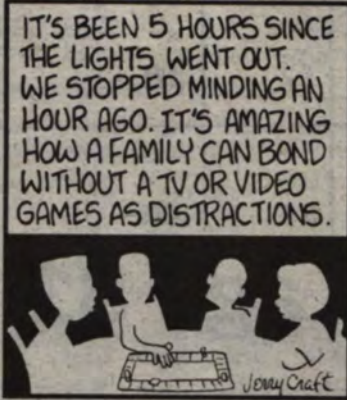
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Language of the soul

 By CHRIS MCGREGOR
 STAFF WRITER

The prohibitions of language, it is said, hold no sway over music. Its intonations and accents are understood the world over, regardless of speech; a single drum beat pounds the same in jungle, city or village.

Such, then is the philosophy of Congo-born, Belgium-raised Dominique Deprez and her group, Musica Universalis.

"To me, it's a universal thing. You don't have to speak a certain way to feel music," says Dominique in a lilting English, which she claims is the most difficult of the four languages she speaks, including Italian, French and German. She says she's all but forgotten the Swahili learned as a child in the Congo.

Dominique and her husband, Eric, a nuclear engineer by trade, left their native Belgium with their three sons a year ago to begin a new life in Salado. They now own and operate Le Beffroy B&B and restaurant on Center Circle. For Dominique, however, music remains one of life's necessities.

"I first began playing the violin when I was 14, and I fell in love. It



Dominique Deprez (PHOTO BY CHRIS MCGREGOR)

became a passion for me," she explained.

It might have been fate that first led Dominique to pick up the violin. Fate or lineage. Dominique's father, an accomplished musician in his own right, was the first to encourage his daughter's talent.

Only four years after she plucked her first note, at 18 Dominique was advanced enough to become an instructor.

In her late teens she studied and taught at the university level, mastering,

in addition to violin, the flute, piano and viola.

It did not take long for her abilities to be recognized by her peers. Although she specializes in duets (piano and violin), she says she feels just as comfortable in an orchestral setting. That's not surprising, considering her former positions as first violinist in the national orchestra of Belgium, the symphonic orchestras of Brussels and Liege and the Royal Conservatory in her home city of Mons. She also served,

from 1984-2002, as first violinist in the symphonic orchestra of Maubeuge, France.

Admirers of Dominique's skills number some pretty elite audiences. She has performed for the King and Princess of Belgium and dignitaries from around the world. One high-ranking Hungarian official actually rushed the stage and, in tears, bear hugged her after hearing a Brahms piece evoking the pastoral charms of that nation. A number of Supreme UN Commanders in Europe, including Democratic presidential candidate Wesley Clark, have witnessed her performances. His photo, autographed to Dominique, adorns the fireplace in Le Beffroy's restaurant.

Despite the lofty crowds she's performed for in the past, Dominique contends that all audiences are equally important, and that links between performer and listener can be established along any lines.

"Jazz, classical, any type...It's all music. It's all the same," she says. "For me it is a gift, to be able to play for people. I see all music as a gift, something

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Salado Community Chorus: 5:30 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

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

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

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

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

Salado Library District Board: 4th Mon. at 5:30 p.m., at Salado Public Library Building.

Salado Masonic Lodge #296: 8 p.m. on the Mon. on or before the full moon.

Salado Village Artist Quilters: 1-4 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Mon. in the Salado Village Artist Building.

Storytime: 11-11:30 a.m. every Monday at the Salado Public Library (ages 3-5).

Salado 4-H Club: 1st Mon. of every month, 7 p.m. at the Intermediate School.

Exercise Class: Aug. 18-end of school year, 9:30 a.m., 10:30 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 Democrats: 6:45 p.m., first Monday of each month at the Village Steakhouse.

Salado Youth Fair Boosters: Third Monday of each month, 7 p.m. at the elemen-

tary 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 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., 5 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.

Thursdays

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

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.

Salado Moms, playgroup, contact Amanda at 947-5507.

Saturdays

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

What's happening here?

OCTOBER 23-25
Texas Seniors Pro Rodeo at Wildfire Arena.

OCTOBER 24
Salado Masonic Lodge chili supper.

OCTOBER 25
Salado Youth Fair Boosters Raffle and Silent Auction, at the Bell County Expo Center. Info: 947-1564 or 947-9975.

OCT. 25, 31, Nov. 1
Fright Trail Nights at Tablerock 7-11 p.m., \$5 adults, \$3 children under 12.

OCTOBER 25
District 26 AA junior high cross country meet at Tenroc Ranch.

OCTOBER 25
SUMC Halloween Festival of Fun, 4-6 p.m. at the church. Open for children sixth grade and under, accompanied by an adult.

OCTOBER 28
SISD future facilities meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. Options for future growth and expansion will be discussed.

OCTOBER 28
SISD Gifted and Talented meeting at Civic Center. 5:30 p.m. parents and students currently in program. 6 p.m. general meeting for anyone interested. Open for grades K-12.

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OCTOBER 31
Fall Festival at First Baptist Church of Salado, 6-8 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall and Grounds for children ages three-12. Bring a canned good for Food Pantry. Info: 947-5465.

NOVEMBER 1
United Methodist Church Garden Guild Style Show and luncheon, 12:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. Tickets: \$12. Info: 947-5482.

NOVEMBER 1
Salado Village Artists Creative Magic Art Show, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. in the Village Artists Building. Open to the public. Info: 947-8481.

NOVEMBER 7-9
42nd Annual Gathering of the Scottish Clans at the Robertson Ranch. Info: 947-5232.

NOVEMBER 8
124th Cav. Regiment reunion, 7 p.m. at Jack's Barn. Info: Maj. Danny Quick, 512-826-3766.

NOVEMBER 20
Salado Area Republican Women Annual Meeting, 11:30 a.m. @ Mill Creek. Info: 947-8422.

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.

DECEMBER 4
Christmas Parade

DECEMBER 5-7
MWM Ranch antique, fine art, home decor show and sale at Wildfire Arena. 9-6 Fri., 9-8 Sat., 9-4 Sun.

DECEMBER 5-7
Salado Historical Society's annual Christmas Tour of Homes. Ticket info: 947-5718.

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DECEMBER 18
Salado Area Republican Women Annual Meeting, installation of officers @ Mill Creek. Info: 947-8422.

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Rip Van Winkle wakes up Rotarians

By SCHUYLER KUYKENDALL
STAFF WRITER

Rotarian Rip Van Winkle spoke to the Rotary Club of Salado on domestic and foreign civil aviation security.

"How much of travel security measures are you as an individual willing to accept," asked Van Winkle.

Some airports are already guarded with armed militia, guards, random strip searches and other random searches, Van Winkle told fellow Rotarians. There are long slow moving lines, an overall inconvenience for travelers.

"I have asked myself, 'Why do they pick on an 88 year old lady and her 10 year old granddaughter?'" Van Winkle said. "They stop me and have me take off my boots but let an obvious middle-eastern go on by."

Why are they picking on me? Profiling. At best,

profiling is politically incorrect, at worst it is illegal. Also, the intelligence agency is not cooperating well with security agencies.

Information is passed from a security agency down the line to the security personnel at airports. By the time it reaches the security personnel it is sketchy and incomplete.

The greatest threat is not a terrorist coming on board with a board cutter. The terrorist would much rather us spend money to protect our airports, so they can focus on different outlets to attack. Cruise ships, bus stations and rental car agencies pose a bigger threat than airliners do.

The armed pilot program is strictly voluntary with only about 75 going through the program to date.

The passenger is the first line of defense, Van Winkle said. The greatest threat on an airline is the



Rip Van Winkle

luggage or an item being smuggled on board.

Agencies are designing machines that can detect explosive residue on a person's body or clothing. In the not-too-distant future there is the possibility that check-in machines will be able to recognize fingerprints and within seconds be sent to different secu-

rity agencies (i.e. CIA, FBI, DEA, NSA) and come back and let the airport know if the person causes a possible threat.

Due to security purposes, Van Winkle was not able to discuss his current or future travels with the two companies he currently works as a consultant for.

Shull to speak at Dynamis Chapter

Dynamis Chapter of Killeen will host the Central Texas Area Council meeting 6 p.m. Nov. 6 at the Howard Johnson in Killeen, located on 803 East Central Expressway.

The speaker will be

Gayle Shull, Director of the US Army's Operational Test Command's Transformation Directorate. She is a recent inductee in the Central Texas Women's Hall of Fame.

Cost per person is \$16,

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LANGUAGE OF THE SOUL

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that allows you to dream, to turn everything off and be happy."

Currently, Musica Universalis is Dominique on violin, and David Kaulfus on piano. Kaulfus and Deprez met through mutual friends in the First Baptist Church of Salado a few months ago. An experienced musician as well, Kaulfus has played with Harold Strand's Polka Band and Hal Spencer's Reminiscence Band. He now plays full time with the Crossed Timbers Gospel

Quartet, FBC of Salado and Nolan Valley Baptist Church.

"David is a very good musician," Dominique says of her accompanist. "We have a good feeling when playing together. That's very important in music."

In the future, Deprez looks to incorporate some of her students into Musica Universalis, but for the time being, she and Kaulfus will continue to perform for Le Beffroy weekend dinner guests,

and are available to play at any occasion. Dominique has also been asked to perform on Main St. during the Christmas Stroll. Musica Universalis can be contacted at 254-947-7177 or MusicUniversalis@aol.com.

"We left Belgium because we dreamed of coming to America and having a happy life," said Deprez. "With my music, I would like to make people happy also."

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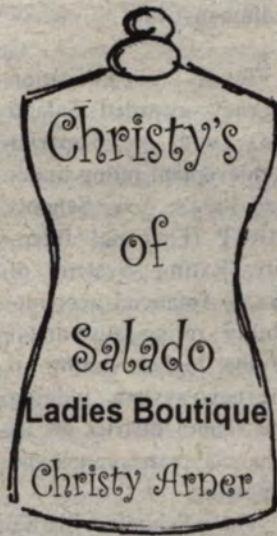
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By Tim Fleischer
Editor-in-Chief

Texas Education Agency awarded Salado ISD with a Superior Achievement rating under the state's new Schools FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas) financial accountability rating system. It is the highest rating in the new system, judging the school district on its financial management and reporting.

The Schools FIRST

rating system considers 21 indicators, ranging from fund balance to audit reports to debt-related expenditures per student. Salado ISD answered affirmatively to all 21 indicators on the rating.

This information was presented at a hearing during the Salado ISD Board of Trustees Oct. 20 meeting.

In other business, trustees approved members of the Site Based Decision Making Committee and goals for the 2003-04 year.

Recycling program helps raise SIS funds

The Salado Intermediate School has begun a recycling fundraiser in association with the group Cartridges for Kids.

SIS will be accepting old cell phones, empty inkjet, laser, fax and copier cartridges, which can be dropped off at the SIS office, or picked up at your place of business. The discarded phones and car-

tridges will be sold to Cartridges for Kids to raise funds for the school.

Cartridges for Kids in turn recycles the unwanted phones and cartridges. They accept over 250 types of empty printer cartridges and over 120 different types of used cell phones.

For more information call SIS at 947-1700 or visit www.cartridgesforkids.com.

Goals for the district remain the same as last year:

- Improve Student Achievement.
- Take Care of Staff.
- Improve Stewardship
- Improve Long Range Planning.

These four district wide goals were incorporated into Campus Improvement Plans reviewed with the board by campus principals during the meeting. The board approved the Campus Improvement Plans, each of which had their own individual goals, objectives, persons of responsibilities, costs and evaluations.

The Campus Improvement Plans will be posted on the school district website: saladoisd.org.

Sup. Robin Battershell told trustees that the Campus Improvement Plans were "not static documents to approve and place on a shelf somewhere. These will change as needs and problems are seen throughout the year."

Trustees also discussed a 6:30 p.m. Oct. 28 Future

Facilities Committee meeting at the Salado Civic Center.

During the meeting, the community is encouraged to discuss and develop a plan for Salado ISD facility expansion to meet the needs of the district.

The district currently has 1,065 students enrolled, which meets budget projections so far this year.

Dr. Battershell pointed out that the next seven classes following graduating class have current student enrollment of more than 80 students per grade. "Our small classes are gone," she said.

The largest class is the ninth grade with 111, followed by the fifth grade at 97 students. The seventh grade has 91 students.

Trustees also approved hiring Elizabeth Snow as high school math teacher and coach contingent upon the superintendent receiving and approving a pending resignation.

The board also voted to purchase two new buses for the cost of \$101,262.

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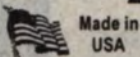
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Homes on the tour include the homes of Dick and Camille Sweezy, 680 E. Amity Road; Bruce and Tina Bolick, 1508 Chisholm Trail; Knox and Betsy Tyson, 615 DeGrummond Way; Allen and Rita Rice, 717 DeGrummond Way; John and Barbara

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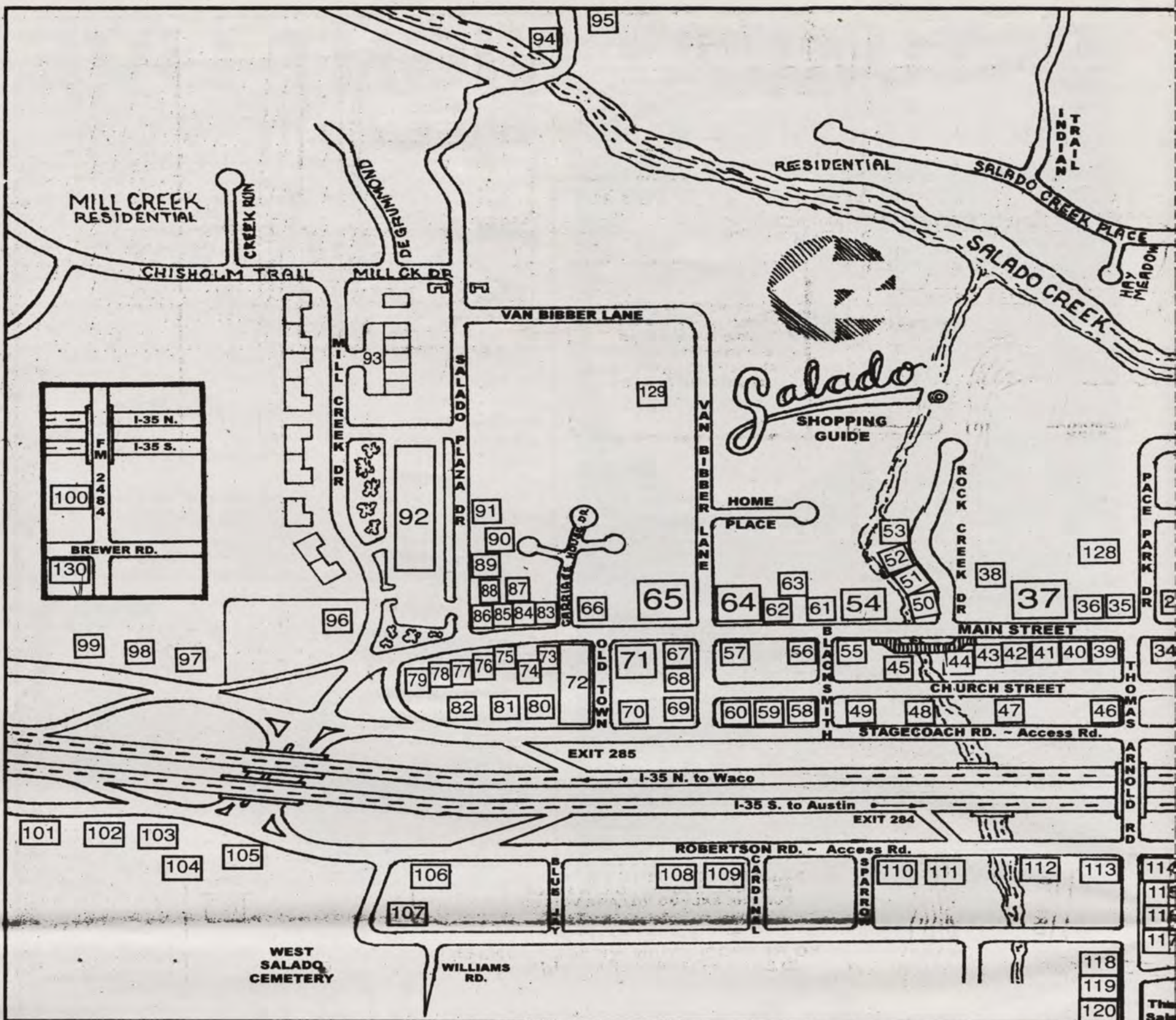
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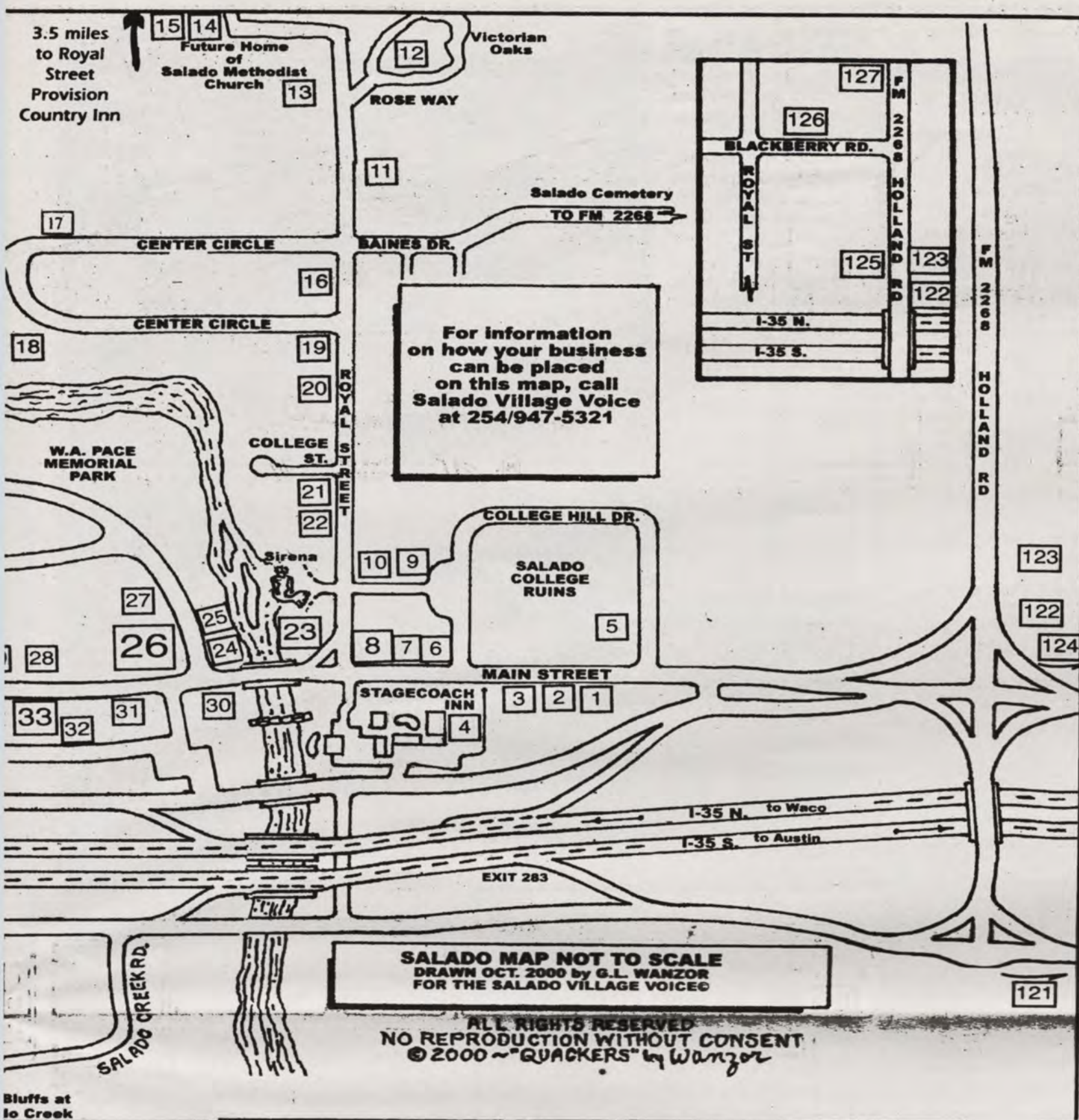
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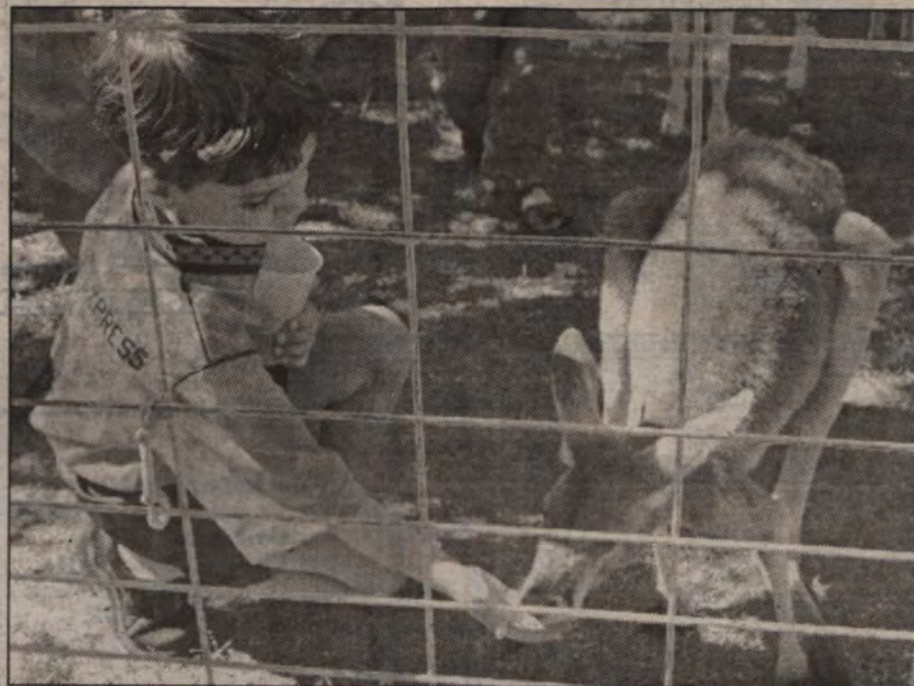
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TAE Fall Fest

Thomas Arnold Elementary Fall Fest was abuzz with activities on Oct. 18. A petting zoo to include a kangaroo was especially appealing to children and adults. The Shoot the Moon Booth created by Mrs. Tucker's second grade offered a challenge to the young ones, while others pinned the stars on old glory.

Even the boys were coloring their hair red, white and blue, which appeared to be the theme of the day.

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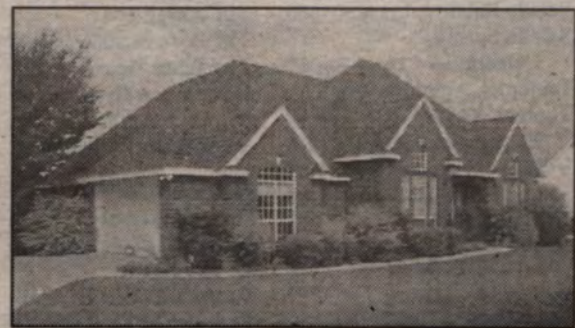
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Salado Business Association discusses events, membership

By CHRIS MCGREGOR
 STAFF WRITER

The Salado Business Association convened its monthly general meeting Oct. 16 in the Civic Center to discuss membership and upcoming officer elections, among normal business.

Treasurer Joe Czaus reported that the SBA has a balance as of Oct. 15 of \$17,421.83, having received Sept. 17 \$13,000 in grants from the Village of Salado.

The SBA also collected \$2,342 in dues over the last month, Czaus said.

Tourism director April Allen reported that she has learned about a cable TV program planning a holiday show on small town Christmas. "They're asking for towns from all over the country to participate," Allen said. "We need as many photographs, fliers and videotapes from past Christmas Strolls to send in."

Allen explained the program will air prior to Christmas, but that deadlines for submissions are Oct. 27.

Using Christmas in October and the Salado Education Foundation's Chisholm Trail Cattlemen's Ball as an example, members raised concerns that scheduling competing events in Salado on the same weekend could be detrimental, as it might dilute attendance for both.

Cindy Watson, of Accents of Salado, stated that she was in favor of having as many functions as possible in Salado, and that the village's businesses

could only benefit from multiple events in a weekend.

Others in attendance stated that locals that volunteered at Christmas in October might have been too tired to attend the Cattlemen's Ball, and vice versa, and that is the circumstance they would like to avoid.

"In some instances it does work (holding more than one event per weekend), like with the Art Fair and Salado Legends" Jackie Mills stated. But, Mills continued, in other situations it could lead to both events suffering through less attendance than hoped.

In other business, Titia Arledge reported that membership in the SBA stands at 95, and the possibility of restructuring the dues system was again raised.

In new business, SBA president Ronnie Tynes reminded the group that officer elections are upcoming, and that any SBA member is free to attend the group's executive meetings. "It's important to know that the executive committee is not some exclusive thing," Tynes said. "We welcome anybody, and we'd be happy to have you."

The SBA holds its general meeting the third Thursday of each month, 8:45 a.m. at the Civic Center. Executive meetings are held the first Thursday of each month, 8:45 a.m. at the Civic Center.

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"Both the CAC and the Children's Miracle Network share similar mission statements, including a dedication to improving the quality of life for area children," says CAC executive director Terri Matthew.

"We offer the rebate as a way to encourage season ticket purchasers to support CMN or another youth group of choice. Unlike the movies, this quality family programming,

made possible by support from H.E.B. Food Stores, allows area children the opportunity to enjoy outstanding live entertainment."

Season tickets are \$15 for adult and \$9 for student, available for purchase at the CAC Box Office or by calling the CAC at (254) 773-9926.

The Sunday afternoon series opens 2:30 p.m. Nov. 16, with award-winning, national recording artist Joe McDermott followed by theatrical presentations in February by Zachary Scott Theatre and Theatreworks USA in April.

The winner of three Parents' Choice Awards, McDermott has been entertaining children since 1986. After helping set 10 "Berenstain Bears" books to song, authors Stan and Jan Berenstain called McDermott, "an absolute wizard at communication with children through music."

Next on the ticket is a presentation by Zachary Scott Theatre's Project InterAct, an organization that has brought adaptations of classics and original new plays to elementary and middle

schools and community centers in Austin and surrounding areas for nearly 30 years.

Featuring some of Austin's finest professional adult actors, designers, and directors, Project InterAct ignites the spark of theatre appreciation for over 46,000 children each year. The performance at 2:30 p.m. Feb. 22 will be announced at a later date.

The season finale is 2:30 p.m. April 4 with a musical performance of Rudyard Kipling's "Just So" stories by New York touring company Theatreworks USA. Elaborate costumes and comic portrayals lend charm to tales of how individual animals acquired their distinguishing characteristics.

The CAC also offers parties in conjunction with the HEB Family Fun Series. Book a child's party before or after a performance and receive a party package including a ticket for each birthday guest. The CAC will reserve a room that can be decorated prior to the event with the option to bring food and beverages, or have the

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First Artist Workshop to be held in Feb.

Salado will host its first Artists' Workshop Feb. 23-28, a week of intensive instruction for artists and

Library features storytelling

Salado Public Library continues with its after-school storytelling program for all school-age children. "Red-Ruby Lips and Long Red Fingernails" is the featured story for 4 p.m. Oct. 28 at the library.

You are invited to join them for an amusing and hilarious rendition of this story as told by Emmy Alvarez, children's librarian.

The library is offering storytelling for school-age students every fourth Tuesday of the month.

aspiring artists of all ages. Guidance in the use of a variety of mediums, including painting, pottery, photography, furniture and basket construction, sculpture and glass art will be offered.

The week-long experience will begin Feb. 23 with "A Taste of Salado," featuring foods from Salado restaurants and B&B's, sponsored by PALS (Public Art League of Salado). It will be combined with a silent auction of art works

donated by local artists. Salado Artists' Workshop will culminate with a student art show and reception at Tenroc Ranch Feb. 27.

A studio tour of a dozen artists' workplaces with artists present and artwork on display will take place on Feb. 28. In addition, a drawing will be held for a botanical sculpture donated by Charles Allen.

Workshops being offered include pottery by Jim Dale; Sandra Edwards,

stone carving; Joan Hoffman, Watercolor; Troy Kelley, bronze cast sculpture; Karen Kinnison, caning and basket weaving; Melissa Paxton, glass art; Larry Prellop, oil painting; and digital photography by Johnny Shipman.

For information, log on to www.salado.com or call (254) 947-8300. Salado Artists' Workshop and Studio Tours is sponsored by PALS and Village of Salado.

Bell commissioners take care of business items

By TIM FLEISCHER
 EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Bell County commissioners met briefly for business Oct. 20, addressing several items on their agenda before going into a workshop session to discuss water needs in Bell County.

The court re-appointed Brent Whitis as Bell County's representative on the

Board of Directors of the Tax Appraisal District of Bell County.

Commissioners also did the following:

- Appointed Veronica Russell, of Killeen, to the Bell County Child Welfare Board.

- Authorized County Judge Jon Burrows to enter into a renewal and modification of the Lease

Agreement with the Tax Appraisal District for space for the Tax Assessor-Collector.

- Authorized the County Auditor to advertise for bids for 15 vehicles.

- Authorized the purchase of four I40H Motor Graders via an interlocal agreement with Wood County: \$142,484.

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III Corps soldier & non-commissioned officer of year named

Two soldiers were recently named III Corps Soldier of the Year and Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year.

Sgt. Catina E. Oatis, a pharmacy technician with B Company, 21st Combat Support Hospital, 1st Medical Brigade, 13th Corps Support Command, Fort Hood, was named III Corps NCO of the Year, while former Spc., now Sgt. Seneca A. Tutor, armorer for Charlie and Delta Detachment, 215th Finance Battalion, 13 Finance Group, at Fort Sill, OK, was named III Corps Soldier of the Year.

The two soldiers earned Army Commendation Medals for winning the III Corps competition. Local sponsors also presented them with other gifts ranging from \$500 Savings Bonds to watches and Dress Blue Army Uniforms.

Sgt. Catina E. Oatis, 30 and a native of Laurel, Miss., graduated from Bassfield High School in 1991 with honors, and subsequently

attended Alcorn State University and the University of Southern Mississippi. Oatis is the mother of Kadajah Q. Oatis.

Oatis entered the U.S. Army Reserves in July 1992 and completed Basic Training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. She attended advanced training for pharmacy technician at Fort Sam Houston. While there, Oatis was selected as the Distinguished Honor Graduate for her class.

Oatis's previous assignments are B Company, 720th Military Police Battalion, 89th Military Police Brigade at Fort Hood and 121st General Hospital, Korea.

Oatis attended the Primary Leadership Development Course at Fort Hood in 2000 and earned Commandant's Graduate honors. She has appeared before numerous selection boards, earning honors as the Non-commissioned Officer of the Quarter (Second Quar-

ter) for 21st Combat Support Hospital, Fort Hood NCO of the Year, and III Corps NCO of the Year.

Her awards and decorations include the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal (with four oak leaf clusters), the Good Conduct Medal, the Army Reserve Ribbon, the National Defense Ribbon (second award), the Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, the Army Service Ribbon, and the Overseas Service Ribbon. She was also selected for induction into the Sergeant Audie Murphy Club.

Sgt. Seneca A. Tutor, a native of Austin, entered the service on Sept. 3, 2000. He completed Basic Training at Fort Knox, Ky., and completed automatic logistical specialist Advanced Individual Training at Fort Lee, Va., where he was selected as the Quartermaster Corps Soldier of the Quarter.

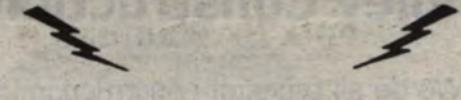
Tutor has served in Fort Riley, Kan.; Camp Humphrey, Korea; Fort Hood; and Fort Sill, Okla. While serving in Korea he was selected as the 17th Aviation Soldier of the Month and Soldier of the Quarter. Tutor also placed third in the Camp Humphrey's Ranger Iron Man competition. Tutor was part of the Fort Hood

baseball team.

Currently at Fort Sill, Tutor serves as the Charlie and Delta Detachment armorer. Tutor was selected as the 215th Finance Battalion, 13 Finance Group, Division Level 1 and Fort Hood Soldier of the Quarter for fiscal year 2003, Fort Hood Soldier of the Year, and placed runner-up in the Regimental Soldier of the Year board. Tutor is also the Family Readiness Group Leader for his detachment. Tutor received his first Good Conduct Medal in 1999.

Tutor's military education includes: Primary Leadership Development Course, Armor Course and Automated Logistical Specialist Course (Distinguished Graduate). He is pursuing an associate's degree in accounting with Cameron University. In his spare time he enjoys bodybuilding and spending time with his wife Chantille and daughter Gabriella.

Tutor's awards and decorations include: The Army Achievement Medal, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon and three Army Certificates of Achievement.



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Tracking Your Ancestors Genealogy seminar Nov. 7

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Elizabeth Chennault, a historical lecturer, will speak on certain Texas sources where genealogical data can be found.

The records available at the National Archives and Records Administration, Southwest Regional Repository will be discussed by Laverne Owens.

Dr. Buddy Patterson will discuss the resources available at the History Complex located at Hill College.

Bill Buckner, manager of the Periodicals/

Genealogy Division of the Waco - McLennan County Library, will speak on digitized sources available at the Library.

Chennault will speak on Medical and Scientific Applications helpful in genealogical research.

Cost is \$30 per person. Tickets include lunch and refreshments.

For more information or to make reservations contact the Central Texas Area Museum at (254) 947-5232, or mail payment to P.O. Box 36, Salado, TX 76571.

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Salado Village Artist, Inc. hold art show Nov 1

The Salado Village Artists, Inc. will hold an Art Show, open to the public, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Nov. 1.

The show will feature art by SVA members, which has been judged by local artists.

They will be accepting artwork on Oct. 28-29 and will judge on Oct. 31. There are 15 categories that will be judged, including: watercolors, acrylics, pastels, drawings, photography, quilts, miniature quilts, pieced blocks and stitchery.

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42nd Annual Salado Games and Clan Gathering Nov. 7-9

The Central Texas Area Museum is sponsoring the 42nd Annual Salado Scottish Games and Clan Gathering Nov. 7-9 on the grounds of the Robertson Ranch, College Hill and the Central Texas Area Museum in honor of the Scots' contribution to Texas heritage.

Throughout the weekend, clans, competitors and friends will have the opportunity to share in piping, drumming, Highland dancing competitions and traditional Scottish athletic events. Merchandise and food vendors are also plentiful.

The games are officially opened noon Nov. 8 with a clan parade at Robertson Ranch.

As in years past, the weekend will also feature a Ceilidh, or Scottish dance, 3 p.m. Nov. 8 on College Hill, and a 5:30 p.m. Tattoo on College Hill. Also featured will be a Scottish shortbread contest and Bonnie Knee contest, both beginning 1 p.m. Nov. 8 in the Clan Tent area.

Six pipe bands are expected to perform. They include: St. Thomas Pipes "A" and "B," Silver Thistle Grade III and Grade IV, Black Bear and North Texas Caledonian.

The judges for this year's piping contest are

Ian MacDonald, John MacDonald and John MacKenzie from Toronto and Robert Richardson, originally from Scotland. Andrew Hoinacki, lead drummer of the L.A. Scots will serve as the Drumming Judge. The Dancing Judge is Anne Andrews from Charlotte, North Carolina, and the Drum Major will be Dennis Michels of Lubbock.

Special guest performers include Arthur Gordon Mason, Carl Peterson, the Dram Beauties, Colin Grant-Adams, Hugh Morrison and Trouble in the Glen.

The celebration will open 9 a.m. Nov. 7 with the John Ambrose, Jr. Memorial Golf Scramble at Mill Creek. A 10 a.m. genealogy seminar and 6 p.m. finger tip supper, both at the museum, will also be held Nov. 7.

A Tartan Gala Dinner and Dance will be held 8 p.m. Nov. 8 in Stagecoach's Longhorn Room.

Tickets for any of the weekend's events may be purchased at the Central Texas Area Museum, located on S. Main St. Complete schedules for the weekend activities may also be picked up there, or by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box



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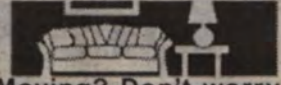
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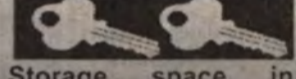
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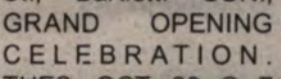
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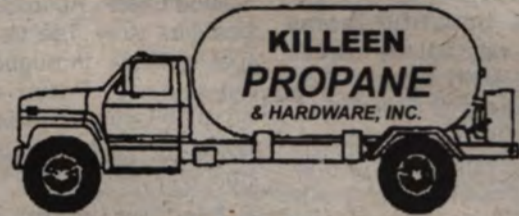
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Homes For Sale



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Homes For Sale



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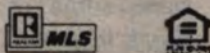
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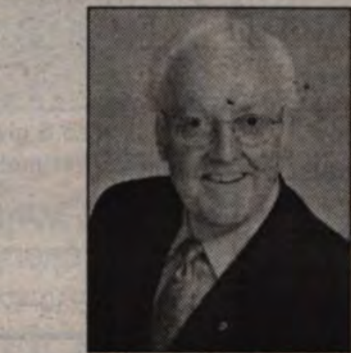
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\$182,800 - Enjoy the country in this 3 BR, 2 BA home on this 2 acre wooded lot! Take advantage of the 10 acre park on Salado Creek - yours to enjoy when you live in Hidden Springs. Elegant arched entry into the master BR. Relax in the large bath complete with a garden tub. Enjoy abundant wildlife and a peaceful setting.



\$324,900 - The awesome view will sell this gorgeous new home. Overlooking Stillhouse Hollow Lake, the view of the lake & surrounding area is breathtaking. Take a look & see for yourself.



\$224,900 - "Like-new" home overlooking Mill Creek Golf Course. Check out the heated/cooled office located inside the garage. Enjoy the view from the enclosed screened porch. This home is a "must see".



\$256,800 - You are invited to view this outstanding new home with formal areas, separate office, family room open to breakfast and kitchen. Come see the unique granite table. Master suite has a sitting area. Room for your golf cart.



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- \$202,800 - New Austin stone home with hillside views.
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- \$219,500 - 2 story country style home & shop. 3.5 acres.
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- \$229,800 - 4 BR/2-1/2 BA on 1 wooded acre in Mill Creek.
- \$241,800 - Synergy Builders 3BR home has kitchen skylight.
- \$256,800 - New home in Mill Creek. Granite table.

- \$259,900 - 4 BR home w/ pool & waterfall, landscaped.
- \$269,000 - 4 BR home w/open floor plan. 1.93 acres - UC.
- \$274,900 - 3 BR overlooking Salado Creek & #13 Green.
- \$295,000 - 4 BR home in Troy on 60 acres, barn - UC.
- \$297,000 - 3 BR, 2-1/2 BA on Salado Creek Place cul-de-sac.
- \$309,900 - 1 year old home on #3 Fairway. Landscaped.
- \$324,900 - 4 BR, 3-1/2 BA home overlooking golf course.
- \$324,900 - New 4 BR home with hillside lake view.
- \$328,800 - 10 acres, southern style home 3 BR, 2-1/2 BA.
- \$349,500 - New home with view of Salado Creek & golf course.
- \$349,800 - 15 acres, 3 BR, 2 BA, gameroom and loft room.
- \$389,000 - Wrap around porch, oak trees, 17 acres & pond.
- \$459,000 - Elegant home on 20.22 acres near Temple.
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- 140 acres on Hwy 36 at Temple Airport, all or part (50 acres - UC).
- 38.78 acres FM 2843, 8 mile west, beautiful trees. \$174,500.
- 15.796 acres fronting FM 2268 with young trees.
- 12 acres between Salado and Florence. All woods, spring, secluded, view. \$49,000 - UC.

Mill Creek Lots

- 700 Indian Trail - \$30,000
- Mill Creek Springs - \$30 - \$75,000
- Fletcher Ct. - \$68,000

Woods of Salado Lots

- FM 2484 - \$24,000
- Mountain Dr. - Lot 6A - \$52,000
- Mountain Dr. - Lots 5A & 5B - \$98,000
- Hodge Canyon Dr. - \$52,000

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- Salado Heights - 2 acre tracts - \$29,000 each.
- Windy Hill Ranch - 2 acre lots - \$55,000 to \$90,000
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The Historical Levi Tenney House, a charming B&B Inn. It is perhaps one of the oldest bldgs in the Village of Salado and is listed in the Nat'l Register of Historic Places. It is a Greek Revival style home dating from the 1850's.



In Salado 3/2 split level home with loft and 2 living areas, plus formal dining. **\$134,500** or lease for \$1,100 per month.



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Completely remodeled home on approximately 1 acre. Lots of privacy! Priced at **\$164,500.**



A beautiful hilltop 3/2 home, manicured lawn overlooking 3 acre lake on 13.42 acres. Numerous windows and a huge covered deck, outstanding views. Foliage and trees enhance the beauty of the home supplying shade from the hot summer sun. **\$399,000.**



New Listing: 3/2/2 on more than one acre in beautiful Salado Oaks. Nice open floorplan, split bedrooms. Pretty trees. **\$164,900.**



Manufactured home on approximately 5 acres. Beautiful live oak trees. Features include porch, water softener, gas fireplace and a sauna located off of FM 2484. **\$99,900.**



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Great tree covered lot with house in Belton for only **\$77,000.**



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

Acreage

- Lots w/ sewage & water on Shady Lane. **\$10,000/lot.**
- Approx. 2 acres near golf course in Mill Creek. Beautiful trees. **\$38,995.**
- 2 acre lot sw of Salado. Beautiful trees. Excellent homesite. **\$28,900.**
- 2 acre lot sw of Salado. Beautiful trees. Excellent homesite. **\$27,900.**
- 2.7 acres fronting FM 2843. **\$29,900.** or 1.35 acres for **\$20,000.**
- 3.018 acres on FM 2843. Large Pecan trees & live water. **\$39,900.**
- 3 BR/2 BA mobile home on 3.5 acres w/view overlooking lake. **\$50,000.**
- 3.5 acres with septic & water. **\$38,000.**
- 4 acres SW of Salado. Beautiful trees. Excellent homesite. **\$56,800.**
- 5.13 acres sw of Salado. Beautiful trees. Reduced to **\$44,900.** - U/C
- 20 acres sw of Salado on Buttermilk Creek. Heavily wooded. **\$125,000.**
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- of Salado.
- 51 acres with hill country view **\$3,500 per acre.**
- 130 acres Rolling hills with great views. **\$4,500/acre.**
- 245 acres Beautiful rolling hills with large live oak trees and a 3 acre lake. Outstanding development opportunity.

Commercial

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

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

Belton

- Nice 2 BR/2BA doublewide with large living and formal dining. Fenced yard - **\$39,000.**
- Large lot in Belton near Lake. Gated community, many trees. **\$65,000.**