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## SISD board of trustees considers disciplining one of its own

Salado school trustees considered disciplining one of their own during a special called workshop meeting May 31, which was after press-time for this issue of the Salado Village Voice.

The meeting agenda posted May 27 had two business items: A. Discipline of Trustee (Section 551.074 Texas Government Code); B. Discuss and Consider Timeline & Options for the Proposed School Bond Election.

Trustees tentatively scheduled two meetings

(June 9 and June 16) with one to be a workshop on the bond and the other to be a team-building workshop. The June 9 bond workshop was moved to May 31 by board president Chris Seaton, who later added the discipline of trustee item to the meeting agenda.

Salado ISD Superintendent Robin Battershell would not comment on which trustee was to be disciplined. Board president Seaton was not available for comment before press time.

A trustee cannot be removed from office by the board, but can be removed by a judge if found guilty of a felony or misdemeanor involving official misconduct.

Discipline of a trustee could include a verbal reprimand in private; a written reprimand in public session; asking a trustee to leave a meeting; adjourning a meeting due to behavior of a trustee.

A report of the May 31 meeting will be found on [saladovillagevoice.com](http://saladovillagevoice.com)

## Greene Festival announces performances

The Judy & A. C. Greene Literary Festival will feature performances of outstanding works by two Texas writers, featuring extraordinary local actors, hosted by gracious and generous Saladoans.

The Festival is named in honor of Texas author A. C. Greene and his wife, Judy. Festival manager and artistic director is Raymond Carver, and Master of Ceremonies is Charles Barrier.

Reservations by the public may be made beginning June 6, anticipating another sold-out Festival. For reservations,

call 947-8300 9 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays! Total Admission per person is \$20 for a Festival Pass which includes the performances and receptions as well as the Festival Party. After your reservation is confirmed, please pay for Festival Passes at the Civic Center Office.

The first of three shows is an adaptation of A.C.'s short story, *The Girl at Cabe Ranch*, performed 7 p.m. June 9 in the Salado Civic Center with a reception following at the home of Martha Francis & Chuck McCarter, 123 Rock Creek.

On the following evening, there will be an adaptation of famed author David Lindsey's book, *The Face of the Assassin* at 7 p.m. June 10, followed by a Q&A with the author. After the show, there will be a reception for all attending the performance at the home of Margaret & Mike Williamson, 417 Salado Creek Place.

On the final evening of the Festival, there will be an outdoor performance of original scenes 7 p.m. June 11 followed by the seventh annual Festival party at the StoneCreek Settlement.

## ETJ hearing is postponed

A public hearing on extra territorial jurisdiction (ETJ) inclusion requests to the Village of Salado of several properties currently in the ETJ of Belton has been postponed from its announced June 2 date.

The Salado board of aldermen planned the June 2 hearing to consider the requests of residents on Stinnett Mill Rd. and in Yellow Rose Subdivision, as well as a request from Salado ISD for its property on FM 2484 to be brought into the ETJ of the Village of Salado.

However, the meeting was postponed because the Belton City Council

had not yet released those properties from the Belton ETJ.

Aldermen hope to consider those ETJ requests at their June 16 meeting. The board is also likely to conduct a hearing on a request from a property owner to be de-annexed from Salado.

The owner has requested deannexation for property that lies between Mill Creek and Mill Creek Springs II and III, which were annexed into Salado by a majority vote of the residents of those subdivisions. The property has not been developed yet.

Although the June 2

public hearing has been postponed, aldermen will discuss several items during a regular meeting slated to begin with an informal discussion with Rep. John Carter at 5:30 p.m. June 2 at the Municipal Building.

Also on that agenda are these items: International Fire Code Ordinance, beautification of property at the corner of Mill Creek Rd. and Southridge Rd., appeal board for municipal code violations, sign request from Salado Business Association and closure of Pace Park Rd. for Dog Daze on June 25.



This painting by Bonnie Armstrong will be used for the Salado Art Fair poster.

## In its 39th year, Salado Art Fair brings 100+ artists to town

For its 39th year, the annual Salado Art Fair will be held Aug. 6-7 at Pace Memorial Park, featuring over 100 artists and artisans from Texas and throughout the Southwest.

Reputably one of the finest art fairs in the state, the Salado Art Fair will feature artists working in oil, watercolors, acrylics, pastels, photography and mixed media.

Sculpture, woodworks, glassworks, jewelry, metal work and handmade

clothing will be displayed and sold.

Parking is free throughout the village with shuttle rides to the park.

The fair will be open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. on Aug. 6 and 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Aug. 7. Admission is \$3 with children 12 and under admitted free of charge.

For more information about the 39th Annual Salado Art Fair, call the Salado Chamber of Commerce at (254) 947-5040 or visit the website at [www.salado.com](http://www.salado.com).

## Oldtimers reunite on June 11

The Annual Salado Reunion will be held 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. June 11 at Salado Intermediate School.

A catered lunch will be served at noon. All

Salado residents and all class members of Salado schools, past and present, are invited to attend.

Reunion committee members are: Sydney Boren (939-3452), Jim and

Golda Brock (947-4260), Linda Cawthon (947-5783) and Billie Killingsworth (939-3187).

For more information call any of the committee members.



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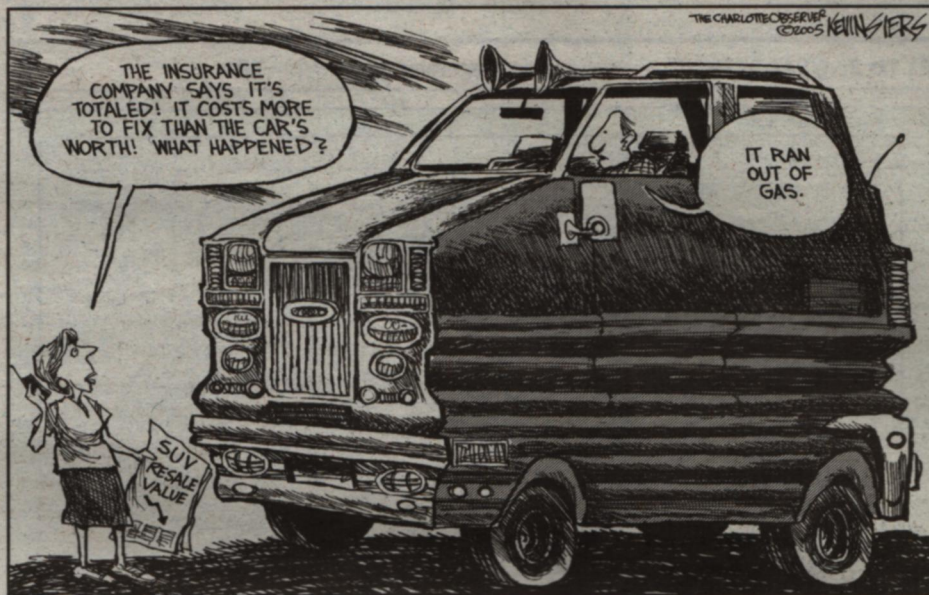
In the May 26 issue of *Salado Village Voice*, we stated that Savannah Slagel, the salutatorian for the Salado High School Class of 2005, had received a scholarship from the Salado Chamber of Commerce. In fact, the scholarship was awarded to Slagel by the Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary, which gives away scholarships each year to Salado students. The Chamber of Commerce gave its scholarship this year to Josh Jacobsen.

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# FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



## Go nuclear

The routine filibuster of judicial nominees is being portrayed by its defenders as one of the most hallowed traditions of American governance. But this tradition dates from only 2003, when Democrats found themselves in the minority in the Senate and desperate to block Bush judicial nominees.

The judicial filibuster isn't a tradition, but an innovation; not a function of checks and balances, but a perversion of them; not an outgrowth of the Constitution, but at best irrelevant to it.

The Senate has two broad traditions. It has respected the filibuster, which allows a minority of 41 senators to extend debate indefinitely and block a vote on a bill. But it has also brought -- in its "advice and consent" role under the Constitution -- a president's nominees to the floor for an up-or-down vote without filibusters. The Democrats' new tack has created a clash of traditions: Either the traditional respect for the filibuster or advice and consent as traditionally practiced must give way.

Throughout the history of the Senate filibuster, it has usually applied to legislative business. The theory is that if the Senate wants to make its internal business more difficult by requiring 60 votes, so be it. But the president's nominations are a different matter. They involve another branch of government. With limited exceptions, senators have avoided filibustering them.

The Democrats have broken with this tradition. Through routine party-line filibusters that bottle up judicial nominees indefinitely, they are changing the Senate's advice-and-consent function.

Democrats point to a filibuster of Lyndon Baines Johnson's 1968 attempt to elevate Abe Fortas from an associate justice to chief justice of the Supreme Court as a precedent. But it was different in kind from today's filibusters. It was bipartisan. Twenty-four Republicans and 19 Demo-

### Rich Lowry



crats voted against ending the filibuster. Fortas almost certainly didn't have the support to pass on an up-or-down vote in the Senate. Hurt by ethics charges, he soon withdrew his nomination, and ended up resigning from the court. The case was truly exceptional.

One Democrat who worried it wouldn't be was Sen. Mike Mansfield. He feared that a minority of senators would "frustrate the Senate's constitutional obligation on the question of nominations": "In the past the Senate has discussed, debated, at times agonized, but always it has voted on the merits. No senator or group of senators has ever usurped that constitutional prerogative. This unbroken tradition in my opinion merely reflects on the part of the Senate the distinction heretofore recognized between its constitutional responsibility to confirm or reject a nominee and its role in the enactment of a new and far-reaching legislative proposals."

Mansfield's fears were unfounded -- at least for 35 years. Now they have been realized at the hands of an obstructionist Senate Democratic minority. Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist should take away their ability to mount unprecedented judicial filibusters through the so-called nuclear option, then sleep the sleep of an utterly justified defender of Senate tradition.

*Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.*

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## Moderate compromise holds as Owen wins confirmation; GOPers worried as polls reach historic low levels

It should come as no surprise to those who follow the antics of our lawmakers, particularly at the Congressional level, that what appeared on the surface to be a workable compromise, created last week by fourteen members of the Senate, has become a tangled web being weaved by extremists within the Republican and Democratic ranks of that once highly esteemed and civilized debating society.

The "Centrist Fourteen" worked on the premise that moderation just might keep the GOP majority from destroying the last vestige of tradition remaining in the Senate, namely the destruction of the filibuster; and at the same time prevent a planned "check-mate" of all upper-house business by angry Democrats.

Senate Majority leader Bill Frist (R-Tenn) was determined to abolish the judicial filibuster, based on his theory that the 60 vote closure rule was unconstitutional. Thus allowing a simple majority to stop debate and force "up or down" votes on the President's current judicial nominees. All this with an eye on several supreme court vacancies that appear in the offing.

Democrats also vowed to bring the upper house to a standstill through simple "in-house" parliamentary maneuvers already built into Senate by-laws.

### FEARLESS FOURTEEN

The 14 Senators - seven from each party came up with a compromise, signed at midnight on May 24, which they solemnly pledged to follow. The move handcuffed Frist and his "simple majority" plan - much to his dismay, and White House vexation.

The compromise was simplicity itself - at least on paper. Democrats agreed to approve three Bush judicial appointees Priscilla Owen, Janice Rogers Brown and William Pryor, while at the same time allowing the filibuster's closure rule to remain intact, provided it is used only under "extraordinary circumstances." The 14 moderates (by majority vote) would have to approve "extraordinary circumstance" matters, in order for a filibuster to take place.

Also included in the compromise was the hope Bush would not only seek constitutional "Consent," but also ask for "Advice" before sending nominations to the Senate, something he apparently has failed to do in the past.

### JUDGE OWEN CONFIRMED

First result of last Monday's midnight compromise was an 81-18 vote (Tuesday afternoon) to "close" debate and send the Owen nomination to the floor for a simple majority decision. The next day (Wednesday) Senators confirmed the Texas jurist as a federal appellate judge on a 56-43 party-line vote.

### "MODERATION" JOINS ANATHEMA LIST

The term "moderate" (applied to the fourteen compromisers) quickly joined the lexicon of terms assigned by political "extremists" (in both political parties) towards anyone who disagrees; moves to the center ("centrists"); or heaven forbid, joins the opposite side in a political squabble.

Political labels are hatefully applied to ridicule, vilify, and disparage. GOPers toss around such epithets as: "crazy liberals," "tree huggers," "leftists," "progressives," "radicals." Demos respond with equal spite towards Repubs with: "reactionaries," "Fascists," "right wingers," "super-conservatives," and "die-hards."

All this name calling and label-sticking has no purpose other than to antagonize, denigrate and divide. And it is on that last point - "divisiveness" - that leads us to other problems that might bear on the tenure of our current crop of lawmakers - in both parties.

### Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



**BULLETIN.....**The "EMERGENCY" EDUCATION FINANCE REFORM MEASURES, HB2 AND HB3, DIED AT MIDNIGHT MONDAY, MAY 30 AFTER 140 DAYS OF BUNGLED (AND LOBBY CONTROLLED) LEGISLATIVE STRIFE. PERRY HAS SAID "NO SPECIAL SESSION." STATE SUPREME COURT COULD EASILY COUNTERMAND THAT DECISION JULY 6, FORCING LAWMAKERS TO RETURN AND CORRECT THE MASSIVE SCHOOL FINANCE JUMBLE.

### PARTISANSHIP HURTING POLLS

The current feeling by American voters, concerning the divisive-partisan-polarization between groups of citizens, is one of deep concern: "Destructive to our nation as it wends its divisive way into communities, neighborhoods and unfortunately - our churches," has been the most common reaction.

That "concern" has been converted into low ratings by voters concerning their elected officials. In this instance - congressional approval ratings stand today at an almost historic low - 28%. Lowest since the Great Depression when it hovered around 22% and that done by telephone inquiries, which made even those poll numbers suspect (too high) since only the wealthy could afford phones.

The second round of uneasiness is being felt and voiced by lawmakers themselves (particularly Republicans who are currently in control of Congress), and who clearly understand the "tragedies" that can befall majorities when ratings drop so low. They're "sent packing!"

### LOW RATINGS & 2006 ELECTION

One can almost hear today's Republican majority in the House and Senate wailing - "Will it happen in '06 to us?" Also, our guess is the intercom between the Oval Office and Carl Rove's new digs in the White House is running white-hot, as that same subject is cussed and discussed! More importantly, what are the folks on Main Street, USA, mumbling? Perhaps: "Time for a change?"

The Grand Old Party, currently led by Bush and his religious-business-no tax extremists emphatically say no! On the other side, desperately trying to kick in the power door are Democrats led by "Liberal-Lion-in-Chief" Ted Kennedy, and includes the usual suspects associated with minority-environmental-civil rights activism (plus the Hollywood dilettantes - loaded with money and not much else).

### LEFT & RIGHT UNITE?

Interestingly, these left and right wing extremists have one thing in common - they would quickly unite (momentarily of course) to denounce any form of "moderation" even if it meant defeat at the polls.

In the final analysis it is believed that moderation will eventually win the day. And lawmakers failing to heed voter's anti-extremist warnings, many times have to go home and work for a living!

Deep appreciation for the greatness of our nation must go to those who designed our constitution (216 years ago) through empowerment of the "people," even with their "warts and all."

So we proudly hail the so-called "common everyday citizen" who keeps the Ship of State sailing safely in the direction of freedom and Democracy, despite extreme yawnings to the right and left - caused by wildly divergent political winds.

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# Amend it, don't bend it

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The contentious debate over judicial confirmations is often portrayed as a referendum on the notion of a "living Constitution." Conservatives like U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia believe that judges should adhere to the original text of the Constitution as expressed in the meaning of the words and their understanding at the time the Constitution was ratified. Liberals respond that the Constitution must be adapted to reflect changes in society's values and attitudes. However, these viewpoints are not, in fact, mutually exclusive.

In truth, no one seriously believes the Constitution is "dead." America's founding fathers provided a procedure for amending it, recognizing that the Constitution must change to some extent over time.

The controversy that now embroils our judiciary is a result of judges effectively amending the Constitution to create new rights, like abortion and sodomy, while reading out of the Constitution rights specifically enumerated, such as the right to bear arms. Some might say these changes are positive and reflect the evolution of public opinion, but if they had been made through the formal amendment process rather than by judges, a judge's political views would be irrelevant and judicial selection would be a non-controversial task of finding the best lawyers to faithfully interpret the Constitution as if it were a contract.

For this reason, none other than America's leading critic of the "living Constitution" judicial philosophy recently announced he supports making the Constitution

easier to formally amend. Speaking at the George H.W. Bush Presidential Library at Texas A&M University on May 5, Justice Scalia suggested that the one provision in the Constitution he would change is the amendment process.

Currently, two-thirds of each chamber of Congress must approve the same language, which then must be approved by three-quarters of state legislatures. Scalia noted that 12 states with only two percent of the population could block any amendment.

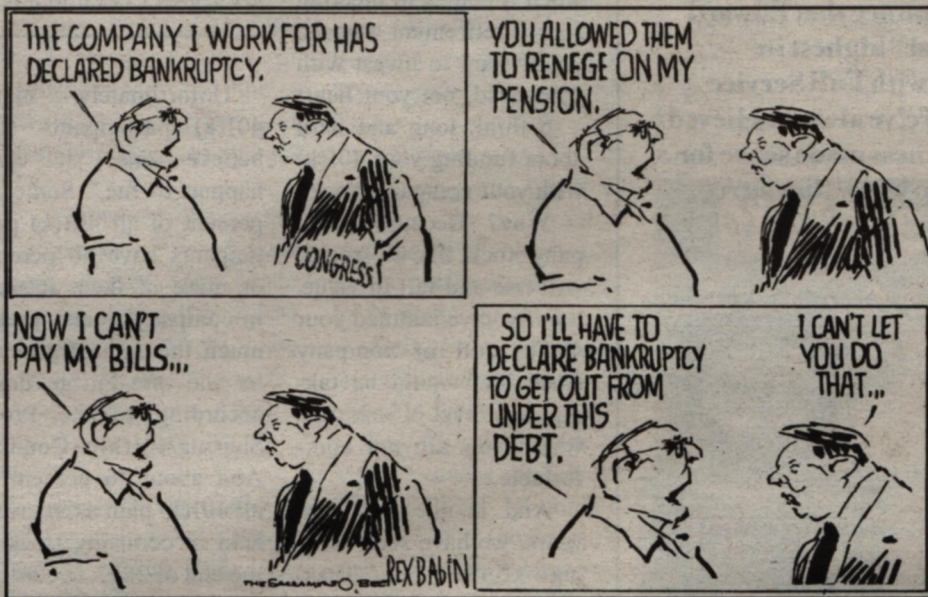
Did the founders err by making the Constitution too inflexible? Not necessarily. There were 13 states at the time of the founding so only 10 states would have been needed to amend the Constitution. Also, the populations of the colonies did not vary that much.

That the Constitution couldn't be much harder to amend is borne out by recent history. There have been only five amendments since 1934. The only amendment ratified since 1971 was a minor change to the procedure for approving congressional pay raises.

The Supreme Court has picked up the slack. The Court has most controversially amended the Constitution by adding new rights, such as to abortion and sodomy. The Court's death penalty jurisprudence perhaps most clearly demonstrates that judges are amending the Constitution. In the last several decades, the death penalty has been upheld, struck down completely, upheld again, and just last year struck down as it applies to minors. Of course, the text of the Constitution has remained the same

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# FORUM



## A tough cell

By Ed Feulner

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In real life, money follows results. When an inventor creates a useful product, investors find him, market the product and sell it. There's no need for the federal government to get involved.

In fact, federal involvement usually means an approach has failed. Farmers demand subsidies, for example, when they can no longer profitably sell their crops. And some manufacturers, faced with less expensive products from overseas, demand protective tariffs.

This principle helps illuminate the ongoing debate over federal funding for embryonic stem cells to treat and cure disease. Researchers would harvest these cells from human embryos for medical treatment, destroying the embryos in the process. Despite serious ethical misgivings, some in Congress want taxpayers to spend money on it.

But, at a recent panel at The Heritage Foundation, Dr. Kelly Hollowell, a molecular and cellular pharmacologist, noted that despite widespread media hype over embryonic stem-cell research, it hasn't been attracting significant private investment.

Rep. David Weldon, a Republican from Florida and a medical doctor, was on the same Heritage panel. He pointed out that science is rapidly moving away from an emphasis on embryonic stem cells and toward the study of adult stem cells. "In a few years, the embryonic people are probably going to give up," Weldon said, "because they're just not getting good research results." On the other hand, "the adult stem cell work and, in particular, the cord

blood work is just phenomenal."

So there are two major research alternatives.

The first is stem cells from umbilical cord blood, which are available every time a woman gives birth. The second is adult stem cells, which are typically drawn from the bone marrow of patients. The National Institutes of Health notes on its Web site: "Adult stem cells such as blood-forming stem cells in bone marrow (called hematopoietic stem cells, or HSCs) are currently the only type of stem cell commonly used to treat human diseases." They've been used for decades to treat patients with leukemia, lymphoma and several inherited blood disorders.

Embryonic stem cells, on the other hand, have yet to be successfully used to treat anything, which is why supporters want federal funding for their research effort.

Rep. Weldon said that some researchers have a selfish motive for focusing on embryonic stem cells. "If you developed a highly successful intervention for treating sickle cell anemia with cord blood, that is not really a patentable intervention under our current laws," Weldon explained.

But, he noted, if someone could develop the same treatment with embryonic stem cells, that person would be a millionaire. Still, it doesn't make a lot of sense to force taxpayers to pour money into a project that private investors have largely avoided, especially when that project isn't generating any results. It would make more sense to concentrate on stem-cell work that has proven productive and holds real promise for treating

and curing disease. If individuals, companies, universities or even state governments want to fund such research, there is nothing stopping them.

California plans to spend some \$3 billion on stem-cell research, including embryonic stem-cell research. In the spirit of federalism, other states may follow suit, if that's what their voters want. But let taxpayers beware. As Rep. Weldon warns, "Taxpayers, in time, will regret that decision when they see absolutely no good cures coming out of it."

So far the debate has focused on what embryonic stem cells someday might yield. "Although [these cells] are thought to offer potential cures and therapies for many devastating diseases, research using them is still in its early stages," according to the NIH.

Yet optimism runs high, as we saw recently when the House of Representatives, despite a presidential veto threat, voted 238-194 in favor of federal funding for embryonic stem-cell research. Everyone wants to cure diseases such as Alzheimer's, Parkinson's and diabetes.

But if embryonic stem cells seemed to be the singular remedy, the private research industry, including pharmaceutical companies, would be pouring money into the research. A \$1 billion investment could pay 10 times that much to any company that developed a cure.

The fact that embryonic stem cell research is being left to the federal government speaks volumes.

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## Mother Nature strikes back



Jim Hightower

George W loves April. Not because the cherry blossoms are in bloom, but because April 22 is Earth Day. That means he gets to put on some khaki pants, a plaid shirt, some hiking-type boots - and then gets to ride on Air Force One to some national park where he can pose as Environmental Man all day long.

But this year, Mother Nature (damn her) messed up his day. He was fully outfitted and had been flown out to Great Smoky Mountains National Park. There a horde of TV cameras, photographers, and reporters were going to record him working with a gaggle of volunteers to help restore a trail in the park.

The president loves being depicted as a regular worker guy, and Karl Rove had carefully screened the volunteers so no pesky Democrats or Sierra Club kooks would interrupt his scripted moment with some nasty remark (you know, like pointing out that George has broken his promise to eliminate the \$4 billion backlog on repairing our deteriorating park system, and instead has actually increased the backlog to \$5 billion).

It was to be a swell day - but Mother Nature (damn her, again) whipped up a thunderstorm, and poor George had to give his environmental talk inside a cold, dank hanger at the airport, speaking to his own aides and some military personnel. This made him a bit grumpy in his brief talk: "In the park, had I been there, I would have reminded people today is Earth Day, a day in which we recommit ourselves to being good stewards of the land."

Then he flew back to Washington to continue pushing for policies allowing oil drillers, clear-cutters, and strip-miners to plunder our national parks and pollute our environment. But he did make one sensible suggestion while in the park - he encouraged Americans to save our environment through volunteer action.

I agree. Please volunteer with your local Sierra Club or other grassroots environmental group to defeat George's corporate assault on Mother Earth.

## Commendable work Your Voice

### Letters to the Editor

#### To the Editor:

Many thanks and compliments to Gavin Radebaugh and the scouts in Troop 115. The new walkway at the log cabin site is wonderful and was sorely needed.

Thanks also to Tenroc Ranch and Bradshaw

Construction for their generosity, and to the adult leaders for their time and caring.

Congratulations, Gavin, for earning your Eagle Scout rank!

Cricket Jones, Salado Historical Society

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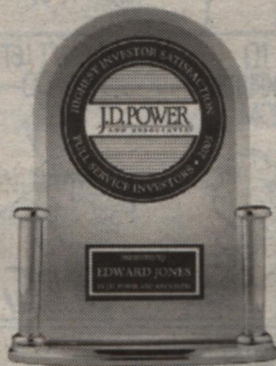
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If you like the company you work for, show your loyalty by doing the best job you can and by taking part in work-related volunteer activities. However, when it comes to meeting your retirement goals, you'll want to invest with your head, not your heart - so think long and hard about funding your 401(k) with your company stock.

Why? Because company stock, like all stocks, will rise and fall in value. So, if you've jammed your 401(k) full of company stock, you could be taking on a level of risk with which you are not comfortable.

And in the past few years, we have seen some high-profile "401(k) meltdowns" which, in an astonishingly short period of time, dissolved a great deal of wealth belonging to employees who put their faith in company stock. For example, about 58 percent of employees' 401(k) assets were invested in Enron stock when it lost almost all its value during 2001.

## Financial Focus

by Allen Mantanona



Unfortunately, many 401(k) participants still believe that "it can't happen to me." Some 17 percent of all 401(k) participants have 50 percent or more of their account in company stock - pretty much the same figure as in the pre-Enron days, according to the Profit Sharing/401(k) Council. And about 16 percent of all 401(k) plan assets were held in company stock at the end of 2003, according to the Investment Company Institute.

How much is "too much"?

Many financial experts recommend investing no more than 10 percent of 401(k) plan assets into company stock - but this figure is just a guideline. When considering how much company stock to

put in your 401(k), look at two key factors:

\* Size, strength, history of company - If you work for a big, established company, with a long track record of profitability, you might feel justified in adding a higher percentage of company stock into your plan than you would if you worked for a small, start-up firm.

\* Stage of your career - When you're just starting out in your career, you've got many years to overcome the "down" periods of some of the more volatile investments in your 401(k) - such as your company stock. But when you're nearing retirement, you may want to try to protect any gains you've achieved - and cut back on your risk level - so you can potentially

increase the money available to you when you begin taking withdrawals. Consequently, in your final years of contributing to your 401(k), you might consider lowering the percentage of company stock in your plan.

The "match" game: Your employer may offer shares of company stock as a 401(k) matching contribution. If so, consider putting in as much as necessary to earn the match. But, once you've received it, see if it's possible to "trade in" the company shares for other investments within your 401(k). An increasingly large number of companies allow this type of exchange.

Diversify, diversify, diversify: Ultimately, you'll want to build a diversified 401(k) portfolio. Choose the mix of stocks, bonds, government securities and other vehicles that fits your risk tolerance, time horizon and long-term goals. To get the appropriate asset allocation, you may want to consult with a financial professional.

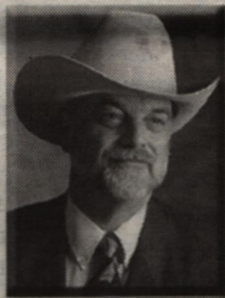


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## Time for Q&A

### Buying and Selling

by Ryan Hodge

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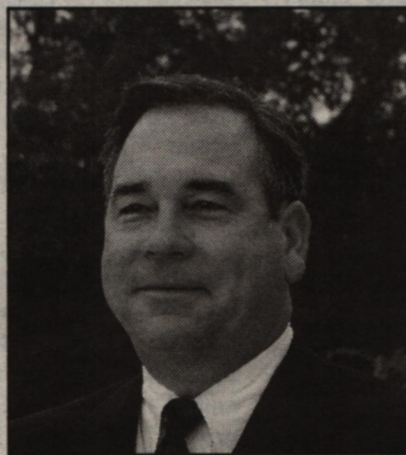


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# Tai Chi Master Huang returns for Institute lecture

Two events at the Institute for the Humanities at Salado the weekend of June 4 - 5 will honor two Harry Wilmers who have been instrumental in the life of that organization.

On June 5, Tao and Tai Ji Master Chungliang Al Huang will be the featured speaker at the Harry A. (Hank) Wilmer III Memorial Lecture. That lecture is held each June to honor Jane and the late Dr. Wilmer's son, Hank, who was killed several years ago. That lecture is free and open to the public and will be 3-5 p.m. June 5, at the Salado Civic Center.

Al Huang's lecture is entitled, *The Art of War/The Tao of Peace: A Global Perspective for Personal Harmony in Life*. In that presentation, he will address the essence of the classics, Tolstoy's *War and Peace*, and Sun Tzu's *The Art of War*, to explore possible resolutions for our world conflicts in personal practice, by balancing our yin/yang polarity as human beings, and finding hopeful ways in the realization for a reciprocal, more peaceful world.

Chungliang Al Huang is a philosopher, performing artist and internationally acclaimed Tao master. He is also the founder-president of the Living Tao Foundation and the international Lan Ting Institute in the sacred mountains in China, and on the Oregon Coast, USA.

He is a sought-after speaker in the field of human potentiality, on cultural diversity and creative dynamism in global business, education and all arenas of life. He is a research scholar of the Academia Seneca, and a fellow of the World Academy of Art and Science, and an assembly member for the Council for A Parliament of the World Religions.

A close colleague and collaborator with the late scholar Alan Watts and mythologist Joseph Campbell, Huang was featured in the inaugural segment of Bill Moyer's renowned PBS "World of Ideas" series.

He is the author of numerous best-selling books on Tai Ji, mind-body-spirit integration, and Taoism as it relates to business, performance and daily life. His classic, *Embrace Tiger, Return to Mountain*, has been translated into 12 languages and is in its 32nd year in print. With Alan Watts he co-wrote *Tao, The Watercourse Way*, and with Dr. Jerry Lynch the book *Thinking*



Tai Ji Master Chungliang Al Huang

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Among his many awards are the new Dimension Broadcaster Award and the prestigious Gold Medal of Education from the Ministry of education of the Republic of China.

The purpose of the Hank Wilmer lecture is to remember the children and family members of those who have died and to bring to consciousness the stories and spirit of humanity in the grief and celebration of life and death in the community.

The day before the Hank Wilmer lecture, on there will be a Memorial Service June 4 celebrating the life of Institute founder Dr. Harry A. Wilmer II. That service will be at 6 at the Salado Civic Center. Dr. Wilmer, of Salado, passed away in March of this year.

In memory of Dr. Wilmer, the Wilmer family and the Institute for the Humanities at Salado, are creating THE WILMER FUND. That fund will go to support the annual Wilmer Memorial Lecture, which will honor both Harry and Hank Wilmer. As in the past, it will be free and open to the public and will include topics that reflect the interests of both men. The fund will also support other designated lectures and events that represent the Institute's mission and the Wilmer's legacy.

The Institute is also creating a Harry Wilmer display at the Salado Public Library that will feature his bust, his

books and publications, tapes from previous Institute programs and other memorabilia about Harry and the Institute. It will be there for some time, and then a more extensive display about his life and the Institute will be installed at the Bell County Museum when its new wing opens.

For information about the Institute for the Humanities, please contact the Institute office at 947-5729 or ifh@vvm.com, or go to the website at [www.salado-institute.org](http://www.salado-institute.org).

# Amend it, don't bend it from page 3 A

over this period, but the Court in its Roper decision last year concluded that "evolving standards of decency" had changed, relying in part on international rulings.

Amending the Constitution to streamline the amendment process would combat judicial activism in several ways. First, it would obviate the perceived need for judges to update the Constitution. Much like water building up at dam, when a supermajority exists for changing a fundamental part of our social contract, the country could more easily turn to the formal amendment process rather than judicial lawmaking.

Indeed, making the Constitution easier to amend answers one of the most common critiques of originalism - that the Constitution shouldn't be a legal straightjacket in

the face of changing times and needs.

Second, when judges alter the Constitution through activist decisions, the public would have effective recourse. An amendment could be passed clarifying, for example, that a new right created by the Court is not in fact conferred by the Constitution.

Of course, a supermajority requirement should be retained so that stability is preserved and the Constitution is not reduced to mere statutory law. A minor change would reduce the requirements to three-fifths of Congress and three-fifths of the state legislatures.

Better yet, just as state legislatures no longer select the Senate, they could be eliminated from the amendment process altogether. After a congressional supermajority approves an amendment, it

could be submitted to the public for ratification in the next federal election. To address emergencies, if three-fourths of Congress approves an amendment, Congress could be empowered to call an immediate election at which three-fourths of voters would have to approve the emergency amendment.

Some degree of flexibility is desirable so long as it is the people are doing the flexing and the judges doing the interpreting. Ironically, the best way to preserve the integrity of the Constitution and restore the judiciary to its proper role is by making it easier to amend.

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# Memorial Day Service at Salado Cemetery



Master of Ceremonies was Tim Brown, Bell County Commissioner, Precinct 2.



Former County Commissioner Leroy Schiller plays "Taps" during the ceremony.



Dr. Steven Ervin, (left), president of the Salado Cemetery Association and Salado Mayor Rick Ashe (right) greeted the audience.



Riders with the Bell County Sheriff's Posse posted colors during the traditional Memorial Day Service May 30 at the Salado Cemetery.

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Members of the Commemorative Air Force flew over the Salado Cemetery before breaking off into the missing man formation.

# Summer sunflowers are Texas' native 'sun'

By CHARLIE AND BEVERLY TURNBO

What's big, yellow, and thrives "deep in the heart of Texas?" If you guessed the sunflower, you are right! Sunflowers are huge, colorful, plentiful and can be valuable. The sunflower belt extends from the Gulf coast to Canada, including all of Central Texas. Yet around these parts, the sunflower is relatively ignored. The sunflower is clearly overshadowed by another native - the bluebonnet.

Tourists and natives alike stop along side our highways to take photographs of the bluebonnet, also a popular subject of many Texas artists. It's hard to compete with Texas' love for its bluebonnet. Named for the distinctive color, it has a petal that resembles a woman's sunbonnet. The Texas Legislature adopted it as the official state flower in 1901. It blooms in the early spring in south and central Texas. Ennis has adopted the nickname of the Bluebonnet City and Chappell Hill has created the Bluebonnet Festival.

In comparison, Texas doesn't appear to have a place nicknamed for the sunflower or a festival set aside to honor this other native plant.

Outside Texas the sunflower gets a lot of attention and recognition. For example, the sunflower has served as the Kansas State flower since 1903 and that State calls itself the Sunflower State. Each year Topeka hosts a special event called the Sunflower State Games which draws thousands of folks to take part in competitive sporting events.

Texas doesn't have a city or county like Sunflower County, Mississippi. On the local Sunflower River, they annually host a Sunflower River Blues and Gospel Festival. Many other states such as Wisconsin,

Louisiana, and California, have special events and even elaborate gardens to celebrate the sunflower.

Few may be aware that the sunflower could actually be the origin of the name of Texas! When the sunflower was introduced into Mexico - which then included Texas - it was called maiztejas - Texas corn. The word teja means tile and probably refers to the tile-like arrangement of the sunflower head. Tejas has of course evolved into the Texas we know and love today.

The common Texas sunflower, known as *Helianthus annuus*, is found all over the Lone Star State. It blooms from March through December - much longer than the bluebonnet. It is a stout, upright perennial native to Texas and can grow to 12 feet tall. It is extremely hearty and can survive very hot and dry Texas summers. The sunflower thrives on full sun and its flowers seek out and track the sun's direction from sunrise to sunset.

The sunflower is either yellow or rust-colored. It is not one flower but a cluster of more than 2,000 tiny flowers growing together. This all-purpose plant provides seeds which can be eaten raw or roasted, ground into meal and flour, and also crushed to make oil. As early as 2300 BC, Native Americans pounded the petals of wild sunflowers to make yellow dye; they also smoked the dried leaves. Settlers found the sunflower could serve as a medicine for snake bites, cuts and fever.

Sunflower oil production has been on the increase for the past four decades and is quickly becoming the replacement of choice for many other oils here in the U.S. It is popular as a vegetable oil and also a semi-drying paint ingredient.

The State of North



As summer temperatures rise, the ever-present Texas sunflower can be found in seas of green and yellow on just about any backroad on a lazy Sunday afternoon drive.

Dakota is the largest agricultural producer of sunflowers. Texas ranks in the top five of sunflower states. In here in the Lone Star State, Moore and Lubbock counties raise about 25 percent of our sunflowers annually.

Sunflower seeds are a favorite of the birds native to Central Texas. Take a handful of sunflower seeds and watch the blue jays, cardinals, and other local birds compete for this tasty treat. Sunflower seeds are also a favorite of many folks who have learned to shell and eat this tiny delicacy with some fancy mouth work. Many athletes have chosen sunflower seeds as an alternative to tobacco.

The value of the sunflower as a decorative plant in local gardens has been recognized by some - such as Jill and Johnny Shipman at the Stone-Creek Settlement. As you approach that B&B, you are greeted with sunflowers in their cultivated gar-

dens. Jill - a Texas Master Gardener - employs the principles of "natural" gardening using these and other native plants with beautiful results.

Some inventive artists have accepted the sunflower as a worthy subject for their canvases. For example, in the late 1800's, Vincent Van Gogh immortalized the sunflower in 12 of his paintings. In fact, one of these paintings fetched \$30 million at an auction. Van Gogh's sunflowers are literally worth more than their weight in gold.

Salado has an abundance of native sunflowers in our area. Go out the Holland Road, near Gooseneck this summer, and you'll find an entire field covered in them. That scene of yellow and green is a Texas classic.

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## Dems to hear opposition to TransTex Corridor

Ralph Snyder, of Holland, and spokesperson for the Blackland Coalition, will be the guest speaker for the meeting of the Salado Democrats, 6:30 p.m. June 7 at the Salado Civic Center.

Snyder will speak in opposition to the proposed Trans Texas Corridor.

In addition, the Blackland Coalition will hold a rally 7:30 p.m. June 3 at Star Hall in Seaton, just east of Temple. State comptroller Carole Strayhorn is the scheduled speaker.

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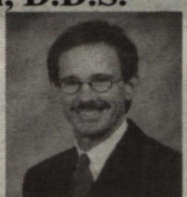
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## Pedaling with a purpose: Local man rides cross country to raise money

By CHRIS MCGREGOR  
STAFF WRITER

If a once-in-a-lifetime vacation opportunity could also be used to promote charity, then why not go for it?

Such was the line of thought of friends Brady Johnston and Anthony Deringer, who on May 25 departed on a bike ride that will trace the ribs of the continent, 3,000 miles from San Francisco to Virginia.

Along the way, the pair will be raising awareness for the Lance Armstrong Foundation - an organization dedicated to cancer research and education,

and also the ones responsible for the ubiquitous yellow Live Strong wrist bands.

On the trip, the two will be carrying little more than what they pedal along with them - sleeping under the stars, cooking over fires and bearing witness to the myriad sights and people that make up this country.

But aside from the prospect of adventure, Johnston has his own personal reasons for making the trek.

A 1998 graduate of Salado High School, he chose to stay close to home to continue his education, attending the University

of Mary Hardin Baylor. After receiving his degree from there, he enrolled in the Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, where he will resume classes in the fall when his trip ends.

He's also a cancer survivor. Diagnosed as a teenager with a rare brain tumor, Johnston battled and beat his illness, but remembers well the stress of doctor visits, tests and uncertainty. A normal teenage life was rendered almost impossible.

So when Johnston and Deringer (also a UMHB student, majoring in religious studies), decided to embark on the trip they'd

been talking about for two years, Johnston saw it as a dual opportunity.

"We thought since we were going to go through with it, it might as well be for a good cause," he explained.

Lacking a background in such things, Johnston and Deringer contacted the Lance Armstrong Foundation for help, and in them found a willing supporter.

"They've helped us out a lot, and are excited about our trip," said Johnston.

The two have dedicated their ride in the memory of a child named Alex Dierking, who lost his fight with cancer in December of last year. He was a close friend of Johnston's nephew. "His story was one that really touched me, and hit close to home," he said.

Donations in Dierking's name can be made through the Foundation's website, [www.laf.org](http://www.laf.org), by clicking on Peloton Project, following that to the Sponsor a Member link, then typing in Johnston's member ID number: 200242940. The duo's progress this summer can also be tracked at <http://orders.castnetmedia.com/BradyUSA.nsf/log?openview>. They will post journal entries and pictures documenting every leg of the journey.

And it will be a long one. They will cycle over mountains, deserts and plains, moving dead east until they hit the sea, and sticking to a route that will have them skirting most major cities. All told, it should take them 10 weeks to complete.

Then it's back to school for both.

"Most of these places we're going to see, I haven't been to," Johnston said. "So personally, I'm looking forward to the whole experience; every aspect of it. And the fact that it might help other people makes it even more worthwhile."

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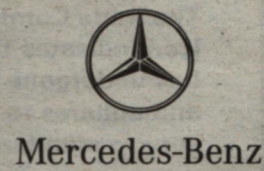
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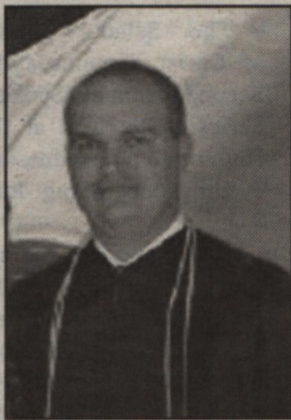
Courtney Dodge has been named among seven 2005 student inductees nationwide to the Delta Omega Honor Society.

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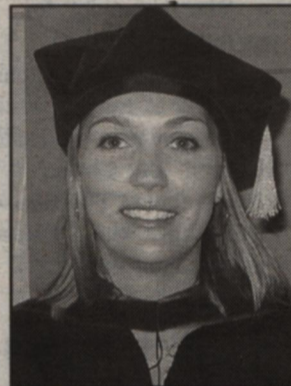
To be eligible for membership in Delta Omega a graduating student must have a grade point average in the top 25 percent of all graduating students, with only 10 percent of the graduating students eligible for induction each year.

Dodge is a 2002 cum laude graduate of Texas A&M University, with a Bachelor's degree from the School of Rural and Public Health, and was also awarded a Master's of Public Health degree from Texas A&M in Dec. 2004. He is a 1998 graduate of Salado High School.

Courtney is the son of Richard and Iris Dodge, of Salado, and currently works as a Program Specialist at the Temple VA Hospital.



Courtney Dodge



Lindsay Owen-Williams

WILLIAMS EARNS DOCTOR OF JURISPRUDENCE AND MASTERS BA

Lindsay Owen-Wil-

liams received both a Doctor of Jurisprudence and a Master of Business Administration degree from Texas Tech University School of Law and Rawls College of Business May 14. She is the daughter of Bill and Carolyn Owen, of Salado.

She is a 1998 graduate of Salado High School and a 2001 cum laude graduate of Texas A&M University, where, she received a Bachelors Degree in Business Administration.

While in law school, she was an articles editor for the Texas Tech Law Review and, upon graduation, was eligible for membership in the Order of the Coif - an honorary scholastic society recognizing law students who attain a high level of scholarship and who graduate in the top 10 percent of their class.

She has accepted a judicial clerkship position with the Texas Second Circuit Court of Appeals, in Fort Worth.

# Marek Family reunion held on June 4

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Traditional Worship/Bible Study	10:30 a.m.	Jr. High Halftime	5:15 p.m.
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.
		High School Halftime	7:00 p.m.



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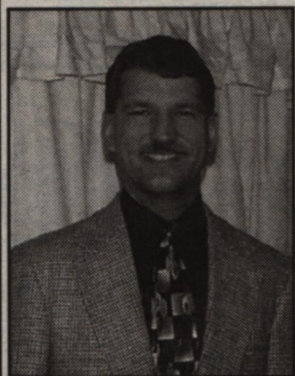
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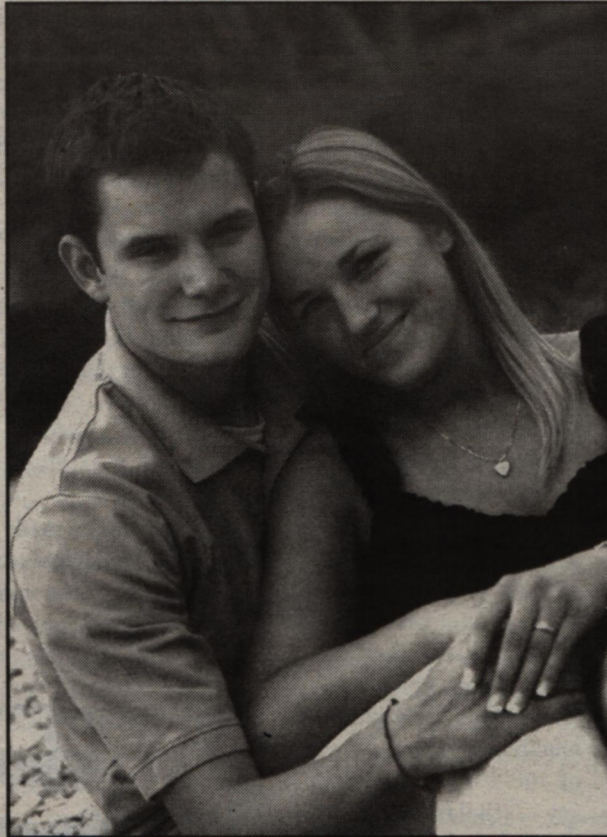
Joe Keyes  
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These days, many in our nation look upon the Memorial Day holiday as merely a gateway to summertime. Join us this Sunday as we say some things in regard to the concept of "memorializing our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

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Evening Worship • 6 p.m.  
**Wednesday**  
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Tom and Emily Alderman, of Denver, CO and formerly of Salado, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Joyful Alderman to Judah Brown, of Jenks, OK. The groom-elect is the son of John and Linda Brown, of Jenks, OK. The prospective bride and groom are both students at Oral Roberts University. The couple plans a July 23, 2005 wedding at the Halley House in Salado.

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## Church of Christ Speaker Series begins June 8

The Salado Church of Christ announces the Second Annual Speaker Series to be held at the church on Wednesday evenings beginning June 8.

The theme for the series is "O to Be Blessed - Living the Kingdom Life," and will take lessons from the Beatitudes of Jesus's Sermon on the Mount, in Matthew 5:1-10.

The lineup for June is as follows:

June 8, Allen Ritchie, minister of Education and Involvement at the Belton Church of Christ, will speak about "The Blessed Bankrupt" (i.e., Blessed are the Poor in Spirit.)

June 15, Ben Mereness, pulpit minister for Georgetown Church of Christ, will address "Blessed are Those Who Mourn" in the message "Go Ahead and Cry."

June 22, Tommy LeFan, preacher for the Church of Christ in Fredricksburg, will address the topic, "Strong, Silent Types" (Blessed are the Meek").

Services will begin at 6:30 p.m. and be held in the church's auditorium. A period of refreshments and fellowship will follow the sessions in the Activity Center. All in the community are invited and urged to attend these special messages.

## Baptist Church Celebrate Recovery program commemorates one year

The First Baptist Church Celebrate Recovery program is a year old next week.

A special anniversary program is planned 6 p.m. June 8 at the "Youth House" located at First Baptist Church Salado (the White House). All who have participated in Celebrate Recovery - as well as guests are invited to join in this special

time together. A special celebration is planned, complete with food and refreshments.

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## Monday Club to hear design tips from Gardner June 6

The Salado Monday Club will meet 2 p.m. June 6 at the new Salado United Methodist Church location, on Royal Street.

The program, "Visual Design," will be presented by Ann Gardner, owner of Seasons of Salado.

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# Obituaries



Mrs. Robert Casey Shobe

## Wilson marries Shobe May 21

Robert Casey Shobe, of Alexandria, VA, and Melody Catherine Wilson, of Alexandria, VA, were married in a May 21, 2005 double-ring ceremony held at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Richmond, VA, with Revs. Dr. John Miller and David Alwine officiating.

The groom is the son of Michael and Susan Schobe, of Salado, and the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gould Wilson III, of Gulf Breeze, FL.

Maids of honor were Carolyn Wilson, sister of the bride, of Atlanta, GA, and Ashley Wilson, of Nashville, TN. Bridesmaids were Lisa Kane, of New York, NY, Veronica Childers, of Richmond, VA, and Cristina Silva Gleason, of Cambridge, MA.

Best man was Michael Christopher Shobe, brother of the groom, of Sonoma, CA. Groomsmen were Nirav Assas, of Dallas, Benton Shrewsbury, of Cambridge, MA, Derek Lucas, of Missouri City, TX, and Edward Meier, of

### Saladoans among UMHB grads

The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor held their spring Commencement on May 7 at the Bell County Expo Center. This was the university's 149th graduating class. Two hundred and eighty-four students were awarded degrees of these, 272 received baccalaureate degrees, and 12 received master's degrees.

Among those receiving degrees were two students from Salado: Myrta Diedra Hodge, BBA - Management; Stephanie Mae Ledbetter, BA - English.

Dallas.

Flower girl was Sydney Ann Winburn, cousin of the bride, of Fayetteville, AR, and ring bearer was Michael Connor Shobe, nephew of the groom, of Sonoma, CA.

The bride was given away by her father.

Prior to the ceremony, the groom's parents hosted a rehearsal dinner at the Foxhead Inn in Manakin Sabat.

The bride is a graduate of Tufts University, and is a student in the Virginia Theological Seminary. The groom is a graduate of Temple High School and the University of Texas in Austin, and is also a student in the Virginia Theological Seminary.

The couple honeymooned in Ireland.

### JUANITA HARDIN

Funeral services for Juanita A. Hardin, 78, of Salado, were held May 28 at Salado United Methodist Church, with Rev. Grady Brittain officiating. Burial followed in Salado Cemetery.

Hardin passed away May 26, 2005, in her home.

She was born Aug. 23, 1926 in Galveston, the daughter of Andrew Andreason and Charlotte Wetzal Andreason. She married B.J. (Jack) Hardin Nov. 21, 1953 in Galveston.

Hardin worked for the Tin Processing Corp., as secretary to the vice president, in Texas City during World War II. She also worked for Highland Oil Co. in Houston. Hardin retired from the Matteson School District in Matteson, IL in 1987.

She was a member of the Salado Village Artists, Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary, and the Temple Chapter of PEO. She was also the first librarian of the

Salado Public Library.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Betty Redmond.

She is survived by her husband, J.B. "Jack" Hardin, of Salado; two sons, Mark Alan Hardin, of Dallas, and Paul Eric Hardin, of Bellaire; one sister, Doris Helweg, of Sugarland; and five grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to Salado United Methodist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 771, Salado, TX 76571, or Odyssey Hospice, 2010 S. W.H.K. Dodgen Loop, Suite 201, Temple, TX 76504.

### KENNETH RAY MESSER

Funeral services for Kenneth Ray Messer, 17, of Salado, were held May 31 in the Chapel of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home in Rosenberg, TX. Interment followed at Greenlawn Memorial Park.

Messer was born July 9, 1987 in Bryan, and passed away May 27, 2005 in Houston.

He is survived by parents, Joyce Ann Messer and Dennis Wallace;

siblings, Brandi Messer, David L. Messer, Jr., and Jimmy McDaniel, Jr.; grandparents, Tim and Patsy Olive, Royce and Dixie Curry, and Joy Messer; step sisters, Sabrina and Shannan Wallace, and Shonnan Mote.

Memorial donations may be made in Messer's honor to The Texas Children's Hospital, West Tower, P.O. Box 300630, Houston, Texas 77230.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home.

### DAVID KATTNER

David M. Kattner, 56,

of Deer Park, passed away May 15 in Wichita, KS.

He was buried at the Masonic Cemetery in Robert Lee, TX.

He is survived by his father and stepmother, Milton and Melba Kattner, of Salado; wife, Debbie Kattner, of Deer Park; children, Teri Jo Ford and husband Jason, of Deer Park, Bryan David Kattner and wife Sandy, of Shoreacres, TX, and Erik Lee Kattner and wife Heather Marie, of Deer Park; brother, Milton Kattner, Jr. and wife Kathy, of Pasadena; sister, Norma O'Neal and husband Barry, of Irving; and three grandchildren.

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<b>June 22</b>	<i>Strong, Silent Types</i>	Tommy LeFan, Fredricksburg
<b>July 6</b>	<i>Got Hunger?</i>	Charles Daily, McGregor
<b>July 13</b>	<i>Have Mercy!</i>	Toby Wilson, Belton
<b>July 20</b>	<i>The Genuine Article</i>	Kirk Eason, Austin
<b>August 3</b>	<i>The Bridge Builders</i>	Keith Cormier, Killeen
<b>August 10</b>	<i>Worthy of the Name</i>	Scott Sager, Dallas
<b>August 17</b>	<i>Influence of a Kingdom Life, pt. 1</i>	Shane Alexander, Gatesville
<b>August 24</b>	<i>Influence of a Kingdom Life, pt. 2</i>	Carson Stephens, Bastrop

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Lori Lynn Shelton of Mesquite, Texas started this program as a quilt for her brother-in-law in Baghdad, and his buddies liked the idea and asked for more. Through the year, she has met with and encouraged dozens of quilt groups to help make them and has sent hundreds so far.

Using Lori's pattern, Helen Alexander, artist, very kindly led the quilters that met at the Salado Village Art Center. Several women took quilts home to make and send back. Donated fabric, time and energy resulted in the finishing of about 20 quilts.

Salado area women that donated fabric were: Jo Griffitt, Barbara Jean Alexander Smith, Meredith Heintzelman, Joyce



Autograph memory quilts made by Salado quilters

Pershall, Bobbie Reihsen, and Ann Tubb of "Threads of Hope" Ministry.

Quilters include these: Helen Alexander, quilter and quilting teacher, Patty Harding, Kathy Phillips, LaVonne Miller, Sylvia Summers, Arlene Dewhurst, Shelley Smith, Bobbie Reihsen, Carolyn

Chavers, Marie March, Eugenia Lara, Joyce Pershall, Mardi Barnard, Laura Murphy, Loretta Ruth, Joyce Wright, Sandra Gromacki and Marilyn Pierce, Kathy Phillips, Loretta Ruth and Helen Clayton.

Each quilt is a unique handwork dedicated to appreciation of our the

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Alyssa Powell



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## Texas Partners Scholarships awarded

Texas Partners Federal Credit Union recently announced the winners of the John Colgin Memorial Scholarship Program. This year, Texas Partners awarded \$11,000 in scholarships to its members attending school as freshmen, upperclassmen, or non-traditional students.

Two of the winners of the scholarships are Salado High School graduates.

This year Texas Partners received 49 applicants, and the scholarship committee awarded 11 \$1,000 scholarships to: Alyssa Powell, Salado High School; Joseph Shumate, Salado High School; Joan Marie Burgos, Shoemaker High School; Jacob Cook, Ellison High School; Elizabeth Evans, Hardin Simmons University; Shelly Fidler, Tarleton State University; Rebecca Kennelly, Shoemaker High School; Christine Luciano, Tarleton State University - Central Texas; Isaac McDaniel, Lampasas High School; Stacia McWhirter, Alamosa High School and Zachary Niemann,

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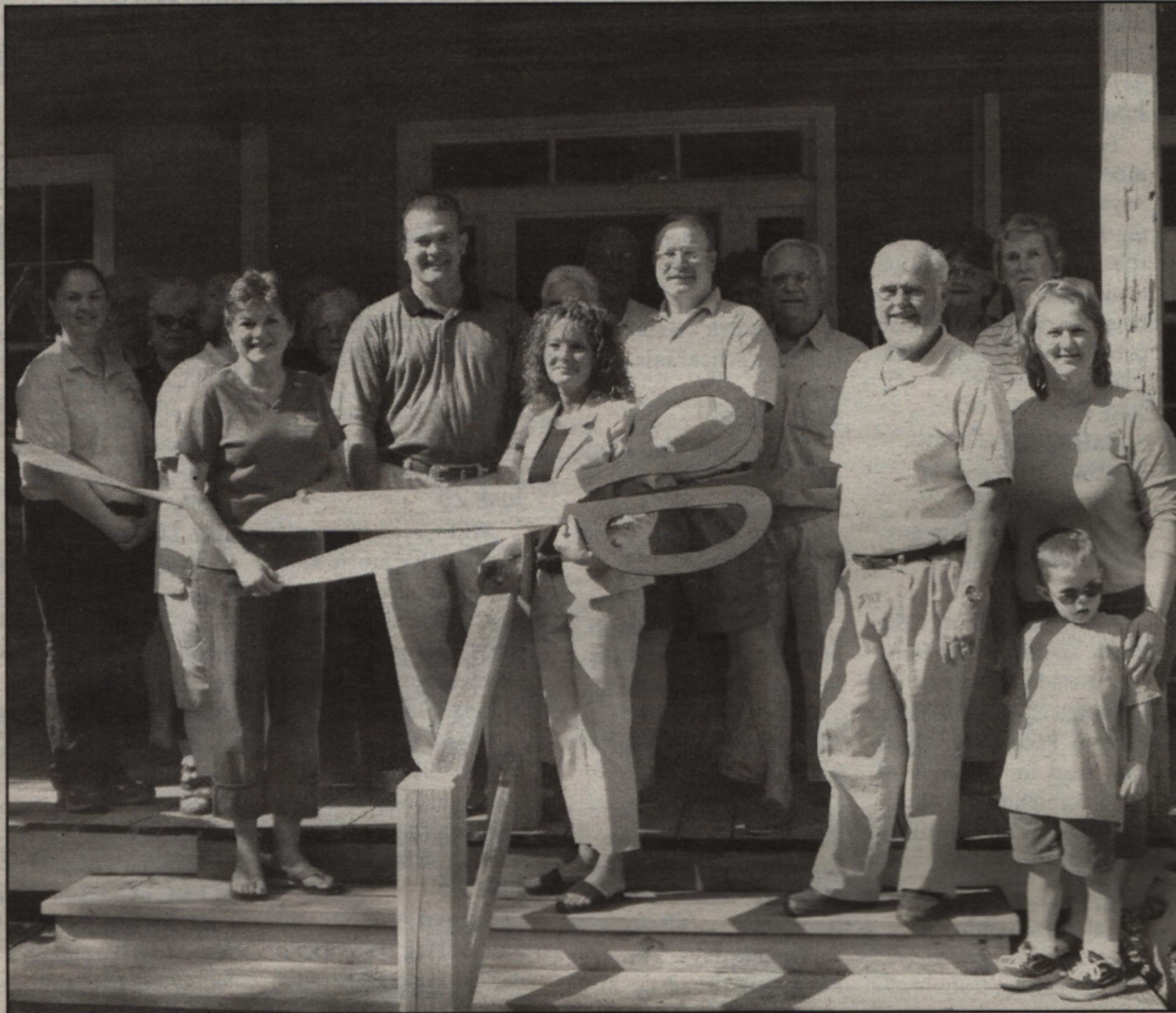
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Shopping, Dining, Overnight, Events



The Salado Chamber of Commerce welcomed its newest member, Shabby Chic, with a May 27 ribbon cutting ceremony. Shabby Chic, located at 101 Salado Plaza Drive, behind Brookshire Brothers, is owned by Lori Bradley, pictured at center with scissors. Shabby Chic is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tues.-Sat. and noon-5 p.m. Sun.

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iliary meeting, featuring a program by Sandi Wicker, of Habitat for Humanity. Fellowship: 9:30 a.m.; Program: 10 a.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

**AUGUST 19**

**Mill Creek Community Association Fall Fling** at Mill Creek Inn Restaurant. Cash happy hour: 6 p.m., dinner: 7 p.m.

**AUGUST 27**

**Mill Creek "Summer Nights" live music and dance**, featuring the local band, A Touch of Class. 8-11 p.m. at Mill Creek Creekside Room. Tickets: \$15 per person, or \$25 for two. Available at Village Realty of Salado, 947-0342, or TBC International, 947-4717. Cash bar available.

**AUGUST 28**

**Salado United Methodist Church picnic at Peacable Kingdom, following Sunday services.**

**SEPTEMBER 10, 17 & 24**

**Tablerock's production of Shakespeare's "Hamlet."** Performance at 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$10 adult, \$5 child.

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**SEPTEMBER 10**

**Salado High School Class of 1995 10-year reunion.** Reunion will include daytime lunch in Salado and evening dinner in Walburg. More details TBA. Info: April Renfro, 512-656-7835.

**SEP. 10-11, 14-18**

**Team Ropers Association Finals at Wildfire Ranch.** Info: 947-8080.

**SEPTEMBER 17-18**

**Tablerock's Fantasy Faire**, featuring music, dance and historical demonstrations. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. daily. Admission: \$7 for adults, \$5 for children 12 and under, seniors and military personnel. Info: 254-947-1339 or email pangea@vvm.com, or tablerock1@aol.com.

**SEPTEMBER 24**

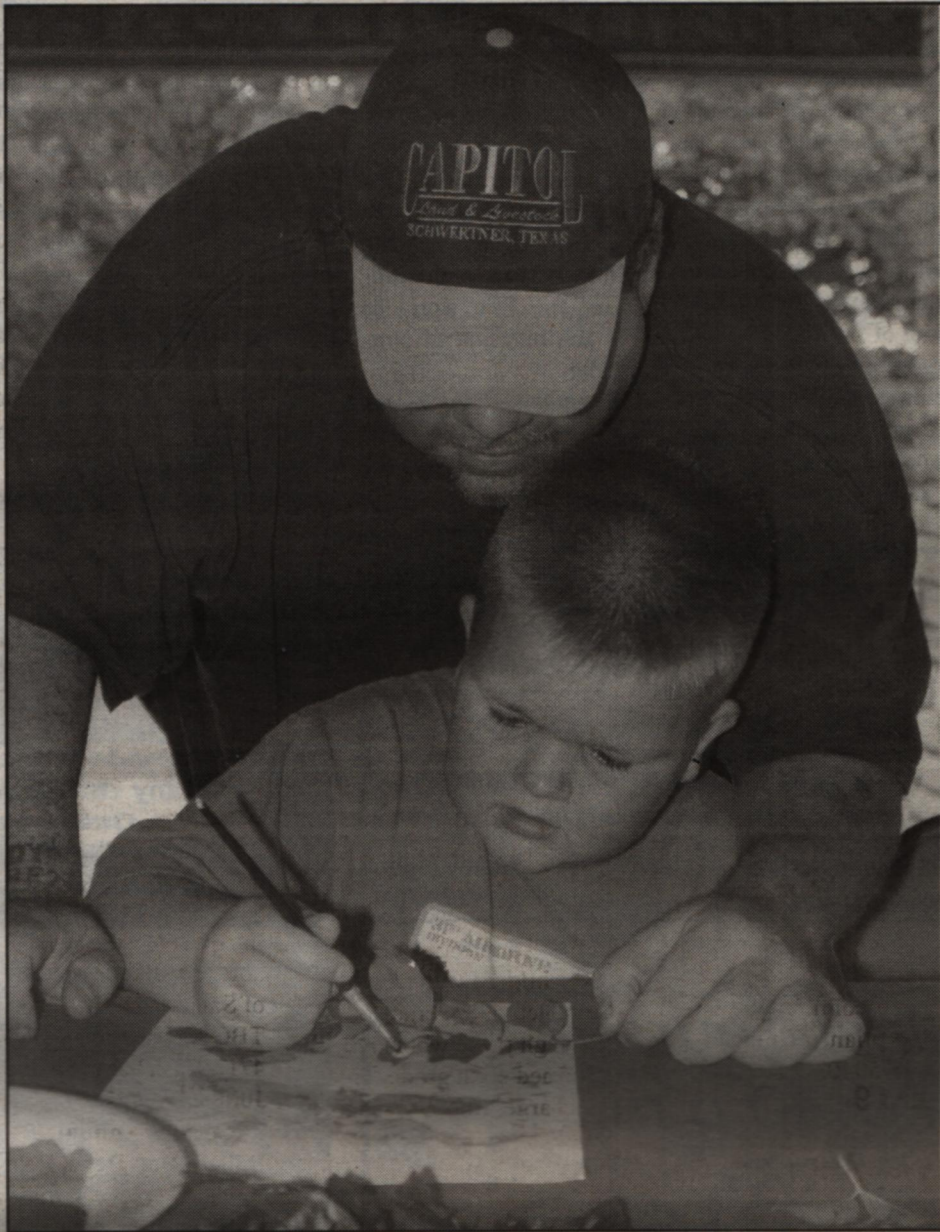
**Couples Workshop for relationship enrichment**, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. at SUMC fellowship hall. Sponsored by the church's Family Life Ministries Committee. Space limited to church members. Info: 947-5482.

**SEPTEMBER 24**

**Bell County Chambers of Commerce Golf Challenge, at Mill Creek Golf Club.** 8 a.m. start. Info: Salado Chamber of Commerce, 947-5040 or email saladochamber@vvm.com.

**OCTOBER 1-2**

**Tablerock's - A Christmas Carol auditions** Sat.-Sun.: 3 p.m. Information: 254-947-



Salado ISD and Salado Chamber of Commerce will once again bring Wednesdays in the Park programs to Pace Park, open to all children in the community, beginning June 8 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. The first topic will be "Egyptian Things."

9205. Directed by Harry Sweet.

**OCTOBER 14-15**

**Christmas in October**, sponsored by Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. each day at the Salado Civic Center. Features Christmas shopping, bake sale, style show, music, entertainment and vintage car show. Admission is free. Info: 254-947-5040.

**OCTOBER 16**

**St. Stephen Catholic Church Fall Fest.**

**OCTOBER 16**

**Seniors Appreciation Day.** Various organizations of Salado United Methodist Church honor the seniors of the church with a special dinner and presentation. 12:15-2:30 p.m. at the SUMC fellowship hall.

**OCTOBER 22**

**Salado Education Foundation Chisholm Trail Cattleman's Ball**, at Tenroc Ranch. Details TBA.

**OCTOBER 29, 30 & 31**

**Tablerock's Frigate Trail**, 7 p.m.-10:30 p.m. Admission: \$5 adults and \$3 for children 12 and under.

**NOVEMBER 13**

**St. Stephen Catholic Church Turkey Bingo.**

**NOVEMBER 15**

**Salado Historical Society Annual Chili Supper and General Meeting**, 6:15 p.m. at

Salado Civic Center.

**NOVEMBER 13**

**Annual Empty Bowl Project and Pots O' Plenty Show and Sale**, benefitting the Salado Family Relief Fund, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Salado Intermediate School.

**NOVEMBER 26-27**

**Wildfire Truck Explosion at Wildfire Ranch** (tentative). Info: 947-8080.

**DECEMBER 2-3**

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Camp David, they explained, was initiated as an effort by President Franklin Delano Roos-

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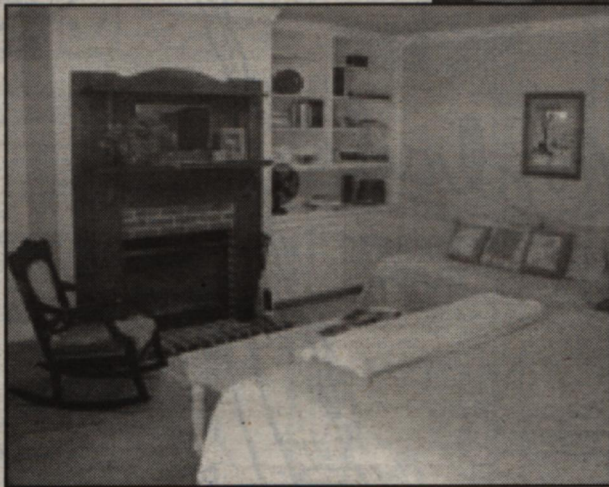


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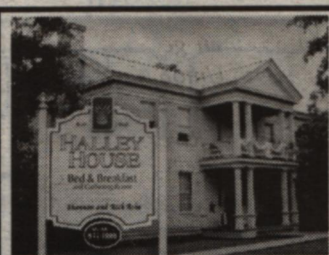
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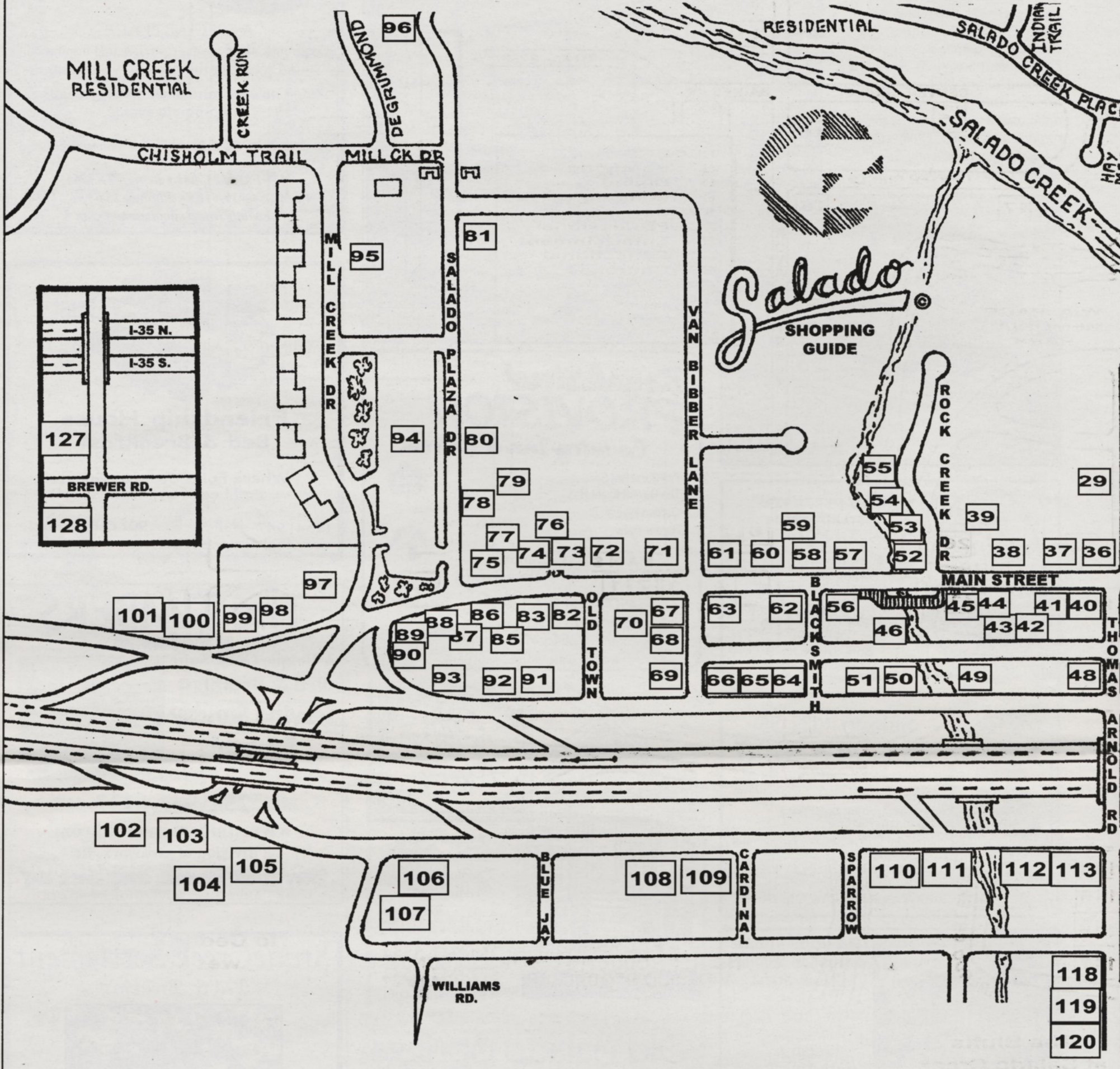
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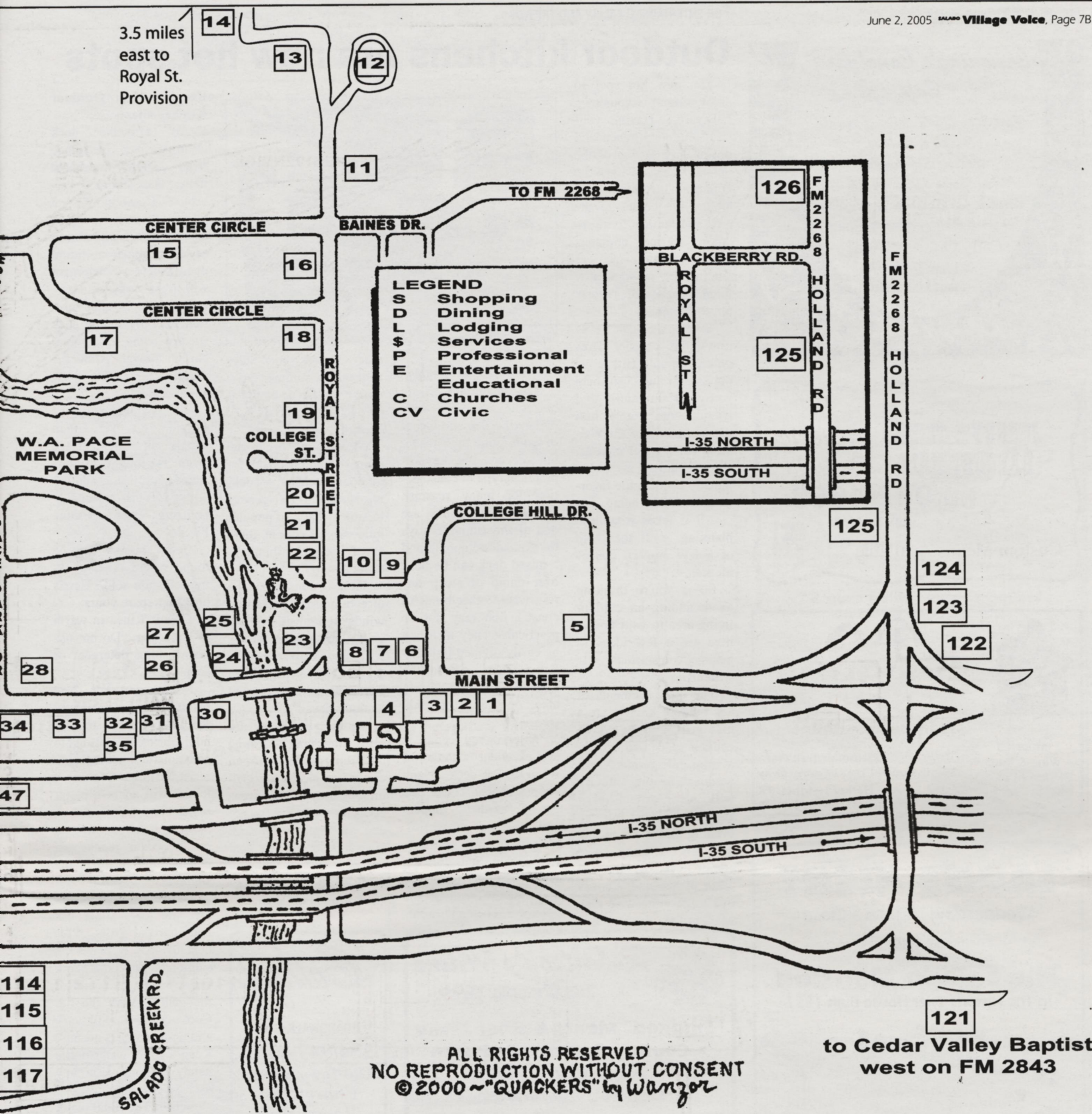


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# Outdoor kitchens are new hot spots

The new hot spot to enjoy a meal is your own backyard. Having your own outdoor kitchen and dining area is one of the hottest trends across the country. Once found only among the homes of the rich and famous living in sunny, warmer climates, families nationwide are finding new ways to enjoy them comfortably nearly all year long.

During colder evenings, an outdoor fireplace, portable fire pit or outdoor heater can help you entertain family and friends comfortably into the late hours of the evening. In warmer months, shaded outdoor areas can quickly become the favorite room in any home.

All it takes is a little planning and the help of a few modern conveniences.

So if you're thinking about adding an outdoor living area to your house, here are a few ideas to help get you started:

### Amenities

The basic elements of any outdoor kitchen are a nice grill, a sink, a little counter space and usually a mini refrigerator. An outdoor heating device will also extend your enjoyment longer into the evening hours of spring and fall. Storage also comes in handy for those extra dishes and utensils that might otherwise take up limited space else-



where.

### Construction Materials

The shape and terrain of your backyard may dictate the size and layout of your outdoor kitchen, but a deck can be the most practical type of construction for many reasons. Ground level decks are one of the simplest ways to expand outdoors, and a raised deck can be built over damp or steep terrain where other types of construction may not be practical. They also can be easily divided into different zones - one for the kitchen, one for a dining area, one for a hot tub, etc.

Western red cedar is an excellent choice of wood for any deck. Many people choose cedar due to its aesthetic appeal and physical properties. It's stable, yet resilient, lightweight and durable. It also naturally resists rot and mildew without the need for chemical treat-

ment. Better yet, it stays cool on hot summer days; unlike plastic or composite decking materials.

### Design

Most people prefer the same triangular layout for outdoor kitchens - cooking surface to refrigerator to sink - that's so popular indoors. Of course, there are a few other things to think about.

First, consider the direction of the prevailing winds and position your grill where the smoke will blow away from your guests. Shade will also be well appreciated on hot summer days.

Traffic patterns are also important. Young children running through crowds or past a hot grill on their way to play areas could be both a nuisance and a safety hazard. Guests also like to visit with the chef, so you may want a little more elbow-room around the grill.

### Keeping Your Outdoor Kitchen Clean

An effective deck cleaning can be made from simple household items. Here's how....

1. Combine 3 quarts of water, 1 quart of oxygen bleach and ¼ cup of ammonia-free liquid dishwasher detergent within the spray canister.

2. Apply the solution liberally to the deck surface using a common garden sprayer. Allow the mixture to set for about 10-15 minutes.

3. Allowing the solution to set, then simply rinse the surface clean. For tougher mildew stains, apply the solution with a soft bristle brush.

### Grilling on Cedar Planks

Cedar planks can be found where other cooking tools are sold. Here's how to prepare yours:

**Clean:** Rinse in warm to hot water. Do not use dishwashing detergent or soap.

**Submerge:** For best results, soak in water (or wine) for one to four hours prior to grilling to add moisture that will help resist burning. Soaking it longer will achieve better results.

**Rub:** Rubbing olive oil on the cedar plank will enhance the flavor of the salmon.

**Grilling:** Cedar planks are safe for outdoor gas and charcoal grills. Pre-heat to 425° F, place the salmon on the cedar plank and lay it in the center of the grill. Close the lid. Cooking times will vary and light smoke is normal. Keep a spray water bottle handy to put out any excessive flames.

**Serve:** The cedar plank will be extremely hot and charred after grilling. Use cooking utensils to remove it from the grill and place the entrée on a serving dish. Always use a new cedar plank (unless it is a multiple use plank) each time you grill.

### Grilled Cedar-Planked Salmon

Prep: 10 min Total: 35 min  
1 Untreated cedar plank (about 14 x 7 x 1 in.)

½ Cup Sundried Tomato and Oregano Dressing  
¼ Cup finely chopped fresh parsley  
¼ Cup finely chopped sundried tomatoes in oil  
1 Tbsp. vegetable oil  
1 Salmon fillet (2 lb.), 1 in. thick, skin removed  
Preheat barbecue on medium heat. Mix dressing, parsley and tomatoes: set aside.

Brush top of pre-soaked cedar plank with oil; top with salmon. Place on grill: cover grill with lid.

Grill 10 min. or until salmon flakes easily with fork

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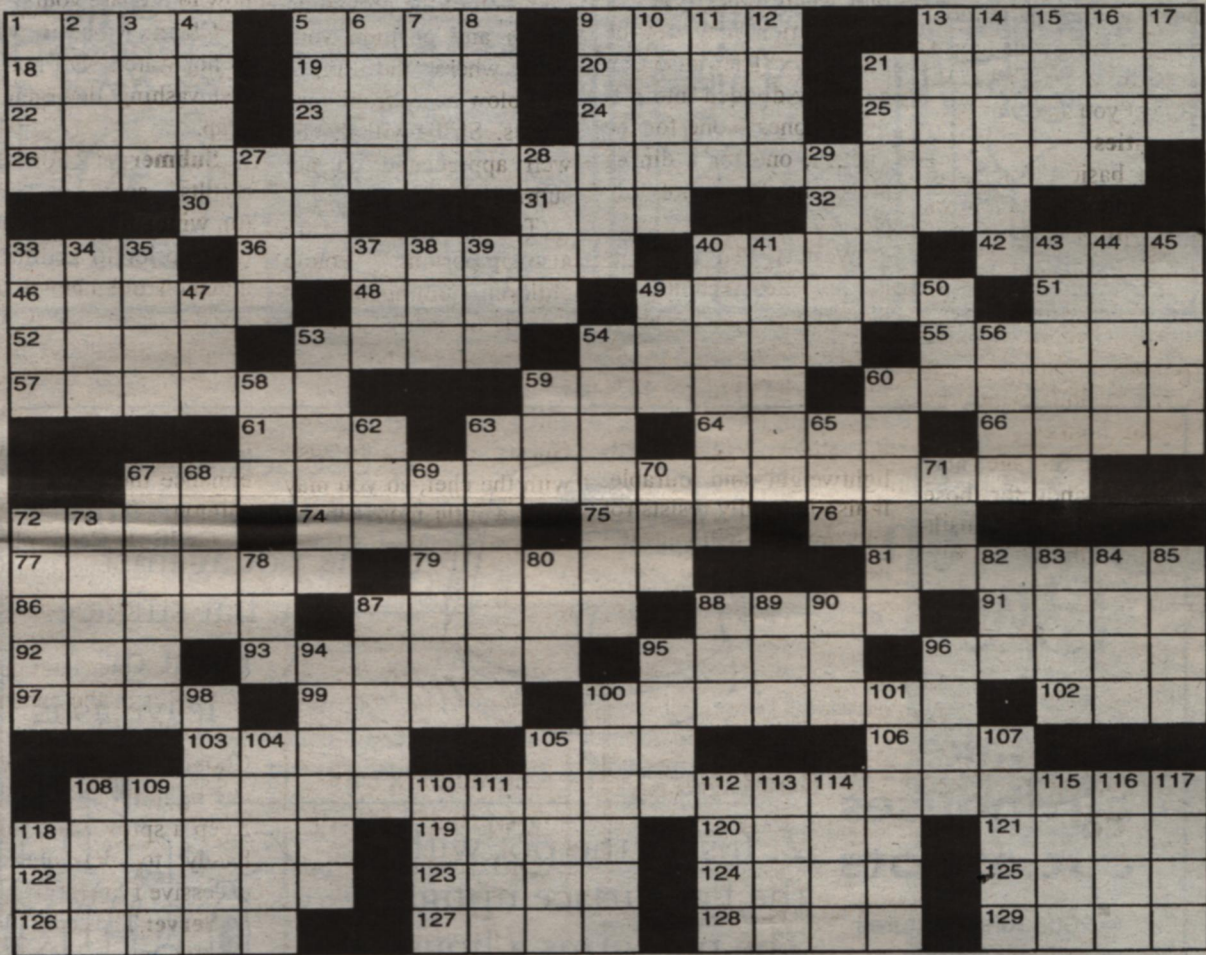
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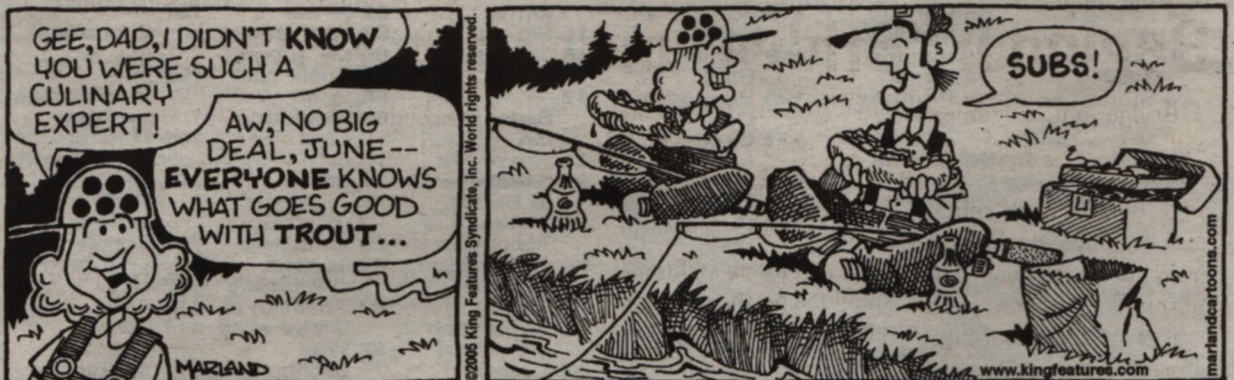
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## "God's Man in Texas" June performances held at TCT

The Temple Civic Theatre will present its next Main Series show, "God's Man in Texas," June 3-5 and June 9-12.

"God's Man in Texas," written by David Rambo, is a comedic look at the selling of religion in the age of mass media.

The play concerns a power struggle in the fictional Rock Baptist Church, as the church's 81-year-old founder is forced

to consider, against his will, his own successor.

The leading contender is a gifted pastor driven by the memory of an idolized father who vanished during the boy's childhood.

The third character in the three-man cast is the church's media techie, a man who lived a dissolute, drug-addicted life before finding salvation.

The struggle for the

pulpit culminates when the faith and egos of the two pastors collide during Rock's annual electrical Christmas parade. Ultimately, the characters must come to terms not only with each other, but with their inner conflicts and spirituality.

Of "God's Man in Texas," guest director Barry Pineo says, "While it has obvious roots in Christianity, it's really about absent

and present fathers and sons, and the importance of a voice of authority in the life of any individual."

Tickets for the show are \$15 each. For tickets or information call the box office at 254-778-4751, or stop by the theatre box office 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Tues.-Fri. or 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. on Saturdays.

The Temple Civic Theatre is located at 2413 South 13th Street.

## Beginner "Bridge" card games start at CAC

Bridge for beginners will be taught at the Cultural Activities Center on Tuesday mornings and evenings during the entire month of June. The morning sessions will consist of four, two-hour classes from 9:30-11:30 a.m. June 7, 14, 21, and 28. The evening sessions will cover the same material in four classes from 6:

30-8:30 p.m. on the same dates mentioned above. Each class will cover two lessons.

The class cost is \$45 per student, plus an additional small fee for the textbook. The textbook used will be "Bridge Basics 1, An Introduction" by author and teacher, Audrey Grant. The minimum number of students per

class will be eight and the maximum will be 16. More classes will be offered at different times if there is a higher demand. The last day to sign up for the classes is June 6. The courses will be taught by Dale Allen, of Temple, Director of the Rolling Hills Bridge Club.

"These lessons will be for pure beginners, or

those who have only a very limited knowledge of the game," Allen said. "It is a game a person can enjoy from the beginning; but there is no end to what we can learn. I've been playing for years and I learn something new every week."

For more information or to register, call the CAC.

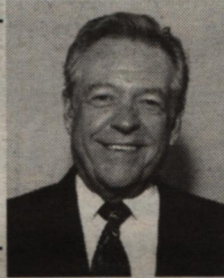
## A typical Tumbleweed road trip

People sometimes ask me where I get all the suggestions for programs or columns. The answer is three-fold. A lot of the leads come direct to me at my website (tumbleweedsmith.com), others come by way of radio stations or newspapers that carry my reports and still others I find by myself. I love going on interview trips. I feel real lucky to be able to make a living driving around Texas and listening to people.

Last month I spent a week on the road in central Texas. Monday I started out in Brady and interviewed Marsha Neal and Mike Trollinger about the old Palace Theater building they're remodeling. Then I ventured down to Mason and interviewed underwater photographer Leonard Wilson and saw player Spider Johnson, who both live on the Llano River. Further down on the river I interviewed Raye Carrington who teaches fly-fishing and has a quiet retreat she and her husband have turned into a bed and breakfast. Birds are plentiful there. Then I stopped and listened to Nolan Donop tell me about the feed store he's owned for more than 50 years.

Tuesday I ran up to Lamesa to visit with Lance Furlow, an 89-year-old man who kills rattlesnakes with a slingshot. He got 80 last year and hopes to get 90 this year before his birthday in September. Then I hightailed it down to Goldthwaite and visited with Rodney and Ginger Spies who have an up-to-date general store. I visited with Layton Black,

### by Tumbleweed Smith



an outstanding ex-legislator who does lots of after dinner speaking and is an excellent master of ceremonies and auctioneer. Sam Beaumont told me about raising meat goats.

Wednesday I had a big thrill in Gatesville interviewing Cotton Davidson, who was quarterback of the Baylor Bears when I was a student there. I interviewed James Cross, who used to be LBJ's pilot and Bill Henderson who dropped the bomb on the Bridge Over the River Kwai. Mary Catherine Mitchell told me about her spur collection, AJ Gordon told me a few stories, then I drove to Salado where I heard from drive-in theater owner Gene Palmer. I also visited with Grainger and Penny Esch, the youthful

and enthusiastic owners of the Silver Spur Theater in Salado.

In Killeen on Thursday I did reports on a ranch cook, a music composer, a store that repairs band instruments all over the state and the school at Iduma (where the students say (Iduma Best). George White told me about the Lions Club Variety show in Temple. I interviewed Larry Pruitt of Jonesboro,

who coached 6-man football for years, then got some more good stories from Jo Bird in Rockdale.

Friday I interviewed Michael Craig of Taylor about polka music, movie actor Kerry Wallum, an amazing blind man named Kenneth Atkins who plays the accordion and Phyllis Mortimer who writes poems. In Belton I interviewed Rob Potts, who runs a department store that's been in his family for generations. Saturday I stopped by the world famous Zephyr Store, then visited Robert and Lori Williamson who have a gourmet restaurant on their ranch near Valera. Thirty interviews. I had a very good week.



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The following classes will be offered this summer:

**June 7:** How to Find and Start the Right Franchise Business - This free seminar will cover the basic of franchising, why franchising works, what the differences are in investing in a franchise

and starting your own business, how to evaluate franchise opportunities and choose the right one for you, what you should know and ask before buying a business, what you will need financially, how long it might take to open a business, and what can I earn. Instructed by Scott Cronk of Frannet of Central Texas. Time: 5:30-7 p.m.

**June 21:** Being Your Own Boss - This course will discuss the fundamentals of starting your own business and how to prepare for self-employment. Time: 5:30 - 7 p.m. Cost: \$25 per

person.

**June 28:** Small Business Strategies SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats) - Learn how to apply a SWOT analysis to your business and position yourself ahead of competitors. Time: 5:30-7 p.m. Cost: \$25 per person.

All classes above are conducted at the Killeen Workforce Center, 300 Cheyenne. Reserve your seat at least one day in advance by phone at (254) 200-2001 or email: brc@workforcelink.com.

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The Central Texas Business Resource Center is a collaboration of the Central Texas Workforce System, Central Texas College and the Greater Killeen Chamber of Commerce.

## Summer dances set at Mill Creek; will feature local band Touch of Class

A series of live music dances, featuring the local band Touch of Class, will be held at Mill Creek's Creekside Room on the last Saturday of June, July

and August. Dates for "Summer Nights" will be June 25, July 30 and Aug. 27.

Touch of Class members TerryLynn Schrimsher,

Richard Paul Thomas, Jay Bryant and Richard Schrimsher will be on hand to perform a wide variety of music as their slogan "Silver, Platinum and Gold...Songs New and Old" indicates. Collectively, these singers and musicians have over a hundred years of musical experience.

Tickets are available at the door or in advance at Village Realty of Salado (947-0342) and TBC International (947-4717). The cost is \$15 per person or \$25 for two. Advance

Tickets are available by check only. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Salado Circles of Care and Threads of Hope, both non-profit organizations helping children in need of clothing and foster homes.

Dancing will run from 8-11 p.m. A cash bar is available along with a variety of snacks. Membership at Mill Creek is not required. The Mill Creek Creekside Room is located just over the single lane bridge on Salado Creek.

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PUBLIC HEARING  
Property of Request: 716 CENTER CIRCLE

The Village of Salado government has received a request from the property owner of the above stated property to open a Bed & Breakfast establishment at the above stated property.

A public hearing before the Planning & Zoning Commission will be held on

**Tuesday, June 14, 2005 at 1:00PM**  
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to hear arguments for and/or against voluntary ETJ expansion to include properties in Yellow Rose subdivision, properties on Stinnett Mill, and the acreage on FM2484 owned by the SISD.



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# Safety tips for outdoor decks

By BRUNO MATARAZZO  
VILLAGE OF SALADO  
CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

The following are some safety tips for homeowners concerning construction of Porches, Decks and Balconies.

Porches can be at risk of collapsing if they are not properly constructed or if they are old. A common safety hazard occurs when porches are nailed to buildings rather than being attached with the proper anchors or bolts. Nails are a poor method for attaching porches to buildings because they work their way loose over time. Other safety hazards to look for are:

- Split or rotting wood
- Wobbly handrails or guardrails
- Loose, missing or rusting anchors, nails or screws
- Missing, damaged or loose support beams and planking
- Poor end support of the porch deck, joists or girders
- Excessive movement of the porch when walked on
- Swaying or unstable porches

Building to code requires a building permit and an inspection and will help ensure that the porch is safe. The International Codes specify the amount of weight a porch is required to support. However, be careful not to allow the porch to become overcrowded. If the people on the structure have difficulty moving about, the porch could be exceeding its capacity.

The Village of Salado Office of Code Enforcement is here to help the Citizens of Salado maintain a safe and healthy work and home environment.

Should you have any questions in reference to any Codes adopted by the Village of Salado, please contact my office at 254-947-5060.



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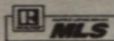


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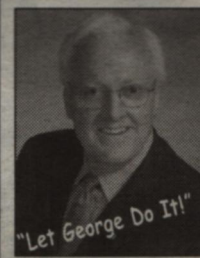
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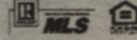
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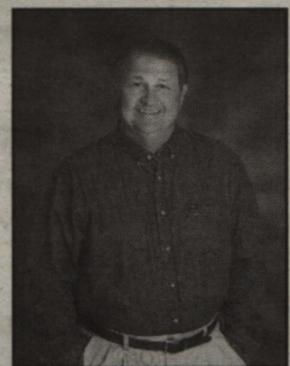
Hidden Springs, Salado, new home. 3 BR, 2 BA, stainless appliances, tile and carpet floors, granite tops, marble baths. Water system amenities on 2 acres. \$229,000

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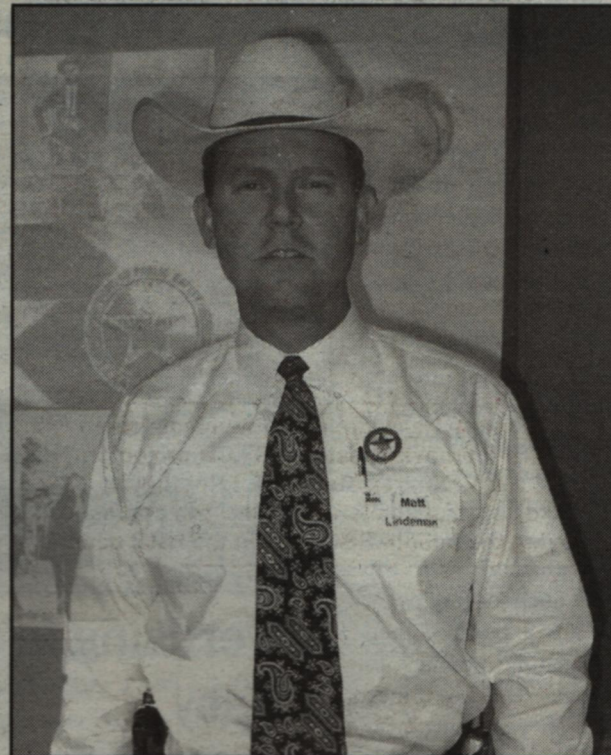
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Oak trees surround this lovely Salado home! Large family room with fireplace and vaulted ceiling. Formal dining room with bay window. Enclosed sunporch opens to fenced backyard with large storage building. 3 BR/2BA. \$139,900.

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- 1.1 acre homesite on Lampasas River.

### Lots & Home Sites

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- Mill Creek Springs I & III - \$30,000-75,000
- Mill Creek Springs IV
- Golf course & hilltop view lots start at \$40,000
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- The Overlook, estate-sized lots start at \$94,000.

#### Woods of Salado Lots

- Mountain Dr. - 5A & 5B - \$65,000.

#### Other Lots

- Windy Hill Ranch - 2 acre lots - \$55,000 to \$90,000. Lot 20: \$125,000
- Heritage - 1 to 3 acre wooded, near Salado. Restricted.
- Hidden Springs, Lot 110, Lot 116.
- Jeremiah's Well: 17.85 acre tract, \$120,000
- Denman's Loop: Lot 8, B 19, Sec, 2, \$18,000.

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**\$199,900:** Located in Mill Creek directly across from Salado Creek and golf course. The large kitchen opens into the formal dining and den. Formal living area in rear of home opens onto covered porch. 3 BR/2.5 BA, study.



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According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), incidences of skin cancer in the United States have reached epidemic proportions, with one in five Americans now developing the disease in their lifetime. The National Cancer Institute reports that cases of melanoma, the most serious form of skin cancer, increased faster than any other

cancer among Caucasians in the U.S. over a recent 20-year study period. The sometimes-fatal disease now accounts for three percent of cancers diagnosed in the U.S.

Incidences of melanoma in African Americans are much lower than in Caucasians due to the additional melanin, or pigment, in the skin, which offers some sun protection.

However, dark skin is no guarantee against melanoma--and once African Americans are diagnosed with melanoma, studies show that their long-term survival is significantly lower than that of Caucasians: 58.8 percent compared to 84.8 percent.

Meanwhile, non-melanoma skin cancers are on the rise, too. Every year, more than a million Americans develop non-melanoma skin cancer, and more than 1,900 die from the disease, according to EPA statistics. But non-melanoma skin cancers have a cure rate as high as

95 percent if detected and treated early.

Skin cancer is triggered by exposure to the sun's ultraviolet-B (UV-B) radiation. Luckily, the Earth's ozone layer absorbs most UV-B radiation before it reaches the surface. However, the recent thinning of the ozone layer due to the emission of chlorofluorocarbons (chemicals used to propel aerosol sprays and keep refrigerators and air conditioners cool) may have further increased everyone's exposure to UV-B radiation.

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countries, including all the major industrial powers, have agreed to phase out these chemicals by 2015 according to the terms of a 1987 treaty known as the Montreal Protocol. The signatories to the treaty are optimistic that the phase-out should restore the ozone layer to its normal thickness over the course of several decades.

Interestingly, some researchers don't believe that current melanoma increases are related

to the thinning ozone layer, as the disease can take several decades to develop, whereas ozone depletion is a more recent phenomenon. "Recent increases in rates may just reflect better reporting, or the popularity of suntans in the 60's and '70's," says University of Colorado biochemist Robert Parson.

Nevertheless, UV-B exposure remains a risk. People should protect themselves by wearing hats, sunglasses and

sunscreen, and avoiding extended sun exposure. Many dermatologists believe there may be a link between childhood sunburns and melanoma later in life; so strong sunscreen (SPF 30 or higher) should be applied to kids before they head off to the beach.

**CONTACTS:** EPA SunWise Program, [www.epa.gov/sunwise](http://www.epa.gov/sunwise); National Cancer Institute, [www.nci.nih.gov](http://www.nci.nih.gov); Montreal Protocol,

[www.unep.org/ozone/Montreal-Protocol/Montreal-Protocol2000.shtml](http://www.unep.org/ozone/Montreal-Protocol/Montreal-Protocol2000.shtml).

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Troy Kelley with a bronze statue of Robert Gray.

## Sculptor to speak to Ladies

Salado sculptor Troy Kelley, well-known for his "Sirena" and "Late Again" sculptures in Salado, will be the guest speaker at the June 9 Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary meeting.

Kelley also sculpted two portrait figures of prominent Bell County Civic leader Ted Connell, who founded Rio Airlines, and a figure of Capt. Robert Gray, a B-25 pilot who flew on the Doolittle Raid over Japan in 1942.

Both figures are cast in bronze and were installed in the lobby of the new Killeen-Robert Gray Airport. His work is usually realistic, covering a variety of subjects cast in bronze. He also has been doing a series of cast clear urethane, which has been very well received. Kelly's latest shows include, "Work in Progress", (New York University); Venice, Italy; "Texas One Hundred," Salado; and "Loveland Sculpture Invitational," Loveland, Colorado.

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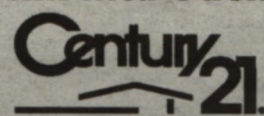
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