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## Salado I.S.D. opens doors Aug. 16

### Board consider costs while kids return

By TIM FLEISCHER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Expecting an enrollment of more than 1,200 students, Salado I.S.D. opens its doors for the 2005-06 school year Aug. 16. Administrators are anticipating a five percent increase in enrollment this year and are currently building a proposed \$8 million operating budget for the coming school year.

The 2004-05 budget totaled \$7.7 million in expenditures, balanced by a similar amount of budgeted revenues.

School trustees - who will discuss the 2005-06 budget at their regular meeting Aug. 15 -- adopted the 2004-05 budget based on a five percent increase in enrollment. Enrollment actually increased closer to 10 percent last year, which resulted in the school district receiving an additional \$139,814 in state

revenues. Of that, \$32,130 was earmarked for special education program funding. The windfall \$107,654 in revenues was depleted when the board paid off its \$500,000 note for the purchase of 50 acres of land at the corner of Williams Dr. and FM 2484, dropping the estimated fund balance to \$1.2 million. Several years ago, that fund balance dipped to as low as \$89,000, but has been added to each year to reach a healthy two months' operating expenses.

Because the state legislature has yet to act on state school funding, school administrators are building the preliminary budget based on current law.

Working with the current funding formula and anticipating no increase in the \$1.58 per \$100 evaluation tax rate, Cabaniss predicts additional local tax revenues of \$435,682.

That's the good news.

There's bad news. Cabaniss predicts a loss in state funding of \$393,752 compared to last year, even with the increase in enrollment and average daily attendance (ADA).

She explains that this loss in funding is due in large part to the difference in taxable property values between the Bell County Tax Appraisal District and the Texas State Comptroller's office.

It works this way. The Comptroller considers the property wealth-per-student in its funding formula. The state pays its portion to local school districts based on the values assigned the school district by the Comptroller's office for the prior year. The local school district collects property taxes based on the values assigned by the local tax appraisal district for the current year.

This year, the difference between those two

values was almost \$24 million (more than five percent difference). The Comptroller assigned the taxable value for SISD (after exemptions/freezes) at \$401,095,100 (2004). Bell County Tax Appraisal District assigned total taxable values at \$377,208,434 (2005).

Last year, the assigned values were much closer: \$355,698,859 from the Comptroller and \$357,464,827 from Bell County.

A dramatic discrepancy between the two entities means that the local school district receives fewer state funds and less local tax revenue, which puts local administrators in the all-too-common position of trying to do more with less.

Click on [www.saladovillagevoice.com](http://www.saladovillagevoice.com) for a comprehensive budget comparison and history. Trustees must adopt the budget by Aug. 31 and set the tax rate by Sep. 30.



Merle Stalcup grabs the winners of the Salado Chamber of Commerce Duck Race Aug. 7. (Photo courtesy Salado Chamber of Commerce)

## Chamber sets ducks loose in Salado Creek

The Salado Chamber of Commerce brought back the Duck Race for the Art Fair.

"Thanks to very generous sponsors, the prize packages were huge and generated much excitement. But nothing was more exciting than 600 yellow rubber ducks floating down the Creek with adults and children cheering," Chamber President Charlotte Douglass said.

Alderman Merle Stalcup was the Official Judge, sitting in the water to make sure he made a good call on the winners.

Stay and Play Package was won by Jon and Lynda Rocker. Stay and Play package included overnight lodging at Stagecoach Condos and rounds of golf at Mill Creek; Silver Spur Theatre Tickets, lunch at Uncommon Grounds Cafe, dinner at Salado Mansion and gift certificates from Charlotte's, Rock Creek Treasures, Southern Comforts and tickets for Tablerock Gospel Festival. The prize package was valued at \$440.

Tricia Norman won the Romantic Getaway. Romantic Getaway package included one night at The Gazebo, dinner at Inn on the Creek, massage by Linda Pritchard, RMT; a Good Times carriage ride, lunch at Salado Mansion, fudge from Mud Pies Pottery and gift certificates from Horsefeathers, Cardens, Just Desserts, Classics Catering basket, Ambrosia Tea Room and Griffith Fine Art Gallery and tickets for Tablerock's Shakespeare Festival. The prize package totaled \$540.

Annalou Barbosa was excited to receive the Shopping Extravaganza. The Salado Shopping Extravaganza package included a night's stay at The Baines House B&B, a night's stay at The Halley House B&B, and \$50 gift certificates from Charlotte's of Salado, Magnolia's, Sweet Dream, Main Street Place, Alice's, Christy's, Janelle's, LaFon's, Salado Mansion and Splendors of Salado. The package totaled \$700.

## Aldermen mull \$536K in expenses

By TIM FLEISCHER  
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Salado aldermen are mulling a 2005-06 budget that may total \$523,300 in revenues and \$536,350 in expenditures, including \$42,000 in the capital outlay budget for future purchases.

The majority of anticipated income will be from sales tax revenues \$310,000 with franchise fees totaling \$170,000 and \$14,000 generated by court fees.

Administrative expenses are expected to reach \$125,740, not including the additional costs for the new municipal building (\$12,000 mortgage and doubling utilities to \$10,000).

The police department

budget (not including \$12,000 in capital outlay for a police auto) will total \$189,800, which is less than the \$196,887 to be spent in 2004-05.

The municipal court budget is almost \$11,000 less in the proposed budget (\$7,410) than in the current year expenses of \$18,360. This is due chiefly to the cost of a court docket software program this year.

The Village will begin the new fiscal year on Oct. 1 with an estimated fund balance of \$220,534, as \$50,000 in renovation costs for the new municipal building will come out of the current year budget. The Village is expected to end the 2005-06 fiscal year with a fund balance of \$207,484, which is

more than three months' operating expenses.

Aldermen are also in the process of considering a proposed hotel/motel budget that will show an estimated income of \$148,800, almost \$20,000 less than the current year income. The increase in revenues is chiefly due to the anticipated opening of a Best Western hotel in the extra-territorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of the Village of Salado.

The additional income will be offset by additional expenditures. For example, the overhead costs will increase from \$65,001 to an anticipated \$78,950. Sales and marketing will increase costs from \$55,197 in 2004-05 to \$94,382 in 2005-06. Of that increase, \$25,000

will be spent on a special research and development program next year.

Grants to Salado organizations will be reduced from \$24,054 in 2004-05 to \$22,000 in 2005-06.

The \$214,532 in proposed expenses for 2005-06 is more than \$65,000 higher than the current year expenses of \$149,251. It will lower the hotel/motel fund balance from \$90,587 at the end of 2004-05 fiscal year to \$24,855.

Line item budget comparisons for both the proposed 2005-06 general operating budget and the proposed 2005-06 hotel/motel budget can be found at [www.saladovillagevoice.com](http://www.saladovillagevoice.com).

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## Back to school

Salado students return to school on Aug. 16. Turn to a special back-to-school Salado Eagle newsletter in this edition of the Salado Village Voice to find registration times, bus routes, sports schedules and much more. The special edition will also be found on the Salado Village Voice website at [www.saladovillagevoice.com](http://www.saladovillagevoice.com). Turn there for school supplies lists, as well.

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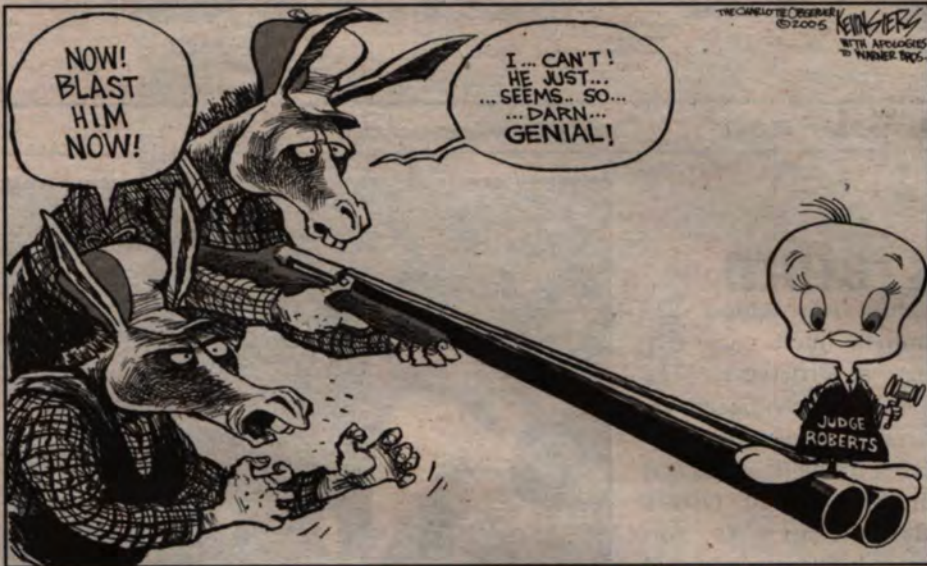
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# FORUM

## An Open Exchange of Ideas



## North Pole, Alaska

NORTH POLE, Alaska -- As I was driving through this town of less than 1,600 people just outside of Fairbanks, an overwhelming sensation came over me -- of safety. Or at least that's what Congress wanted me to feel. Thanks to a senseless, but sadly typical, formula for spending federal homeland security dollars, North Pole has been awarded more than half a million dollars for homeland security rescue and communications equipment. This just in case the terrorists decide to try to shut down Santa Claus Lane.

Department of Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff is irritating certain U.S. senators by insisting that how federal homeland security spending is allocated should have some relation to the risk of a terrorist attack in any given area. Where he has the authority to act on his own, Chertoff has pushed his department toward rationality. He moved, for instance, to limit the cities eligible for port-security grants to 66 from 366, thus eliminating Martha's Vineyard from the list (and exposing the extended Kennedy clan to attack by terrorist yacht). But Congress controls how homeland security grants are doled out to the states.

Immediately after 9/11, Congress wrote a homeland security spending formula into the Patriot Act, one of the provisions of that law that actually is a mistake. It says that every state gets .75 percent of the funding from two enormous federal grant programs that spend well over \$1 billion a year. That eats up 40 percent of the funding. The other 60 percent is allocated on the basis of population, which is one risk factor for a terror attack, but only one. In other words, in a homeland security effort that should be built on intelligence and risk analysis, Congress has created a system that is almost entirely random and beholden to the dictates of logrolling and pork-barrel spending.

### Rich Lowry



Throwing around money in absurd fashion has resulted in, naturally enough, absurdities -- \$300,000 spent in Outagamie County, Wis; \$30,000 in Lake County, Tenn., to buy a defibrillator to have on hand at high-school basketball games; \$98,000 on training courses in Lenawee County, Mich., which no one bothered to attend. And on it goes. Billions of dollars in the grants haven't been spent on anything because they are gummed up in the bureaucratic pipeline, partly because some localities don't have the foggiest idea what to do with the money.

The House recently passed a bill to rationalize the funding formula, basing it almost entirely on risk-assessment by DHS. But the Senate has balked. Small-state senators have a disproportionate sway there, and last month they rejected the House approach, preferring a barely improved version of the status quo. These senators can't imagine any reason for being in Washington other than to shove lucre back to their home states -- for whatever reason.

If Congress can't straighten out the funding formula, maybe it will have to try a different approach, and relocate people, such as moving people from threatened urban areas to places like North Pole. We can be certain they would be well-secured here.

*Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.*

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## Texas "Dog Days" brighten with Congress recessed and indication "do-nothing" lawmakers will fold

Followers of the great game of politics are caught in the doldrums properly termed "dog days of August." Pantingly we yearn for the first cool breeze of Fall, but even more to the point - pray for relief from the quagmire our political class has made of lawmaking from Austin to Washington.

Thankfully, on the legislative front, elected officials at State and National levels won't trouble us for awhile since they've either quit all semblance of productive work (as in Austin) or gone home on recess (as in Washington, where it's now safe for women and children to walk the streets).

The President is back in Crawford and together with Congress, managed to depart our nation's capital as quickly (and quietly) as possible, after passing and signing the biggest pork-filled highway bill in history. (Check out what Alaska purloined from the treasury, for example).

### SESSION TWO ON LIFE SUPPORT

Down here in Texas, the second special legislative session, devoted to reforming how we finance our public schools, is floundering around with "do-nothing" lawmakers pleading: "We wanna go home!"

Voters are in total agreement that it's time for the legislature to pack it in and let the courts have a crack at creating a modicum of balance and fairness in the school funding formulas.

At last report - legislators have given up on cutting property taxes and plan to offer teachers a token raise. And, perhaps rescue thousands of textbooks sitting in warehouses awaiting payment. Hope (and prayer) on the part of our hucksters is that these minor moves will somehow get them past the '06 March primary and November election.

Lawmakers also plan to (hopefully) cast all blame for "new taxes" on the courts and thereby cunningly slip unscathed past the growing anger of an already upset electorate - who have watched them fumble the education ball in three special and two regular sessions.

### STATEWIDE PROPERTY TAX RESURRECTED

Late last week a statewide property tax scheme was resurrected (thanks to Senator Steve Ogden - a Bryan Repub) as a "last ditch" effort to prove that lawmakers can come up with something - even if it's wrong!

Statewide property taxes were buried by a vigorous popular vote in 1968 and other than a few "off-the-wallers" - no one has supported the return of this disastrous tax. If we think school property taxes are a problem today - just let a statewide school tax go into effect and see just how bad (and how high) these levies can and will go!

### STATE LEADERS IN TOTAL DISAGREEMENT

Over the weekend - our "big three" Texas leaders met and like the guy who jumped on his horse and rode off in all directions - these jokers came up with three different ideas. GOP House Speaker Tom Craddick said it was time to call it quits; Lt. Governor David Dewhurst disagreed and refused to toss in the towel - thinks the mess can be salvaged - but not sure how; and our fearless Governor Rick (Crazy Hair) Perry tagged along nonchalantly - ready to "consider anything!"

All of which means Craddick has no reelection worries; Dewhurst wants to make a name for himself and run

### Off the Record by Ken Clapp



for something besides wet-nursing the Senate; and Perry is just plain "running scared."

### PLENTY OF BLAME TO GO AROUND

And just who is to blame for the "five-in-a-row" failed attempts to straighten out the way our State finances education?

Start with an extraordinary lack of leadership on the part of the Governor. Mix in Craddick's ideas of cutting taxes and protecting business at all costs (standard GOP fare); season with Dewhurst's ambition for higher office. And finally sprinkle in 181 legislators who are at loggerheads on most issues because their decisions are based almost totally on what will get them reelected.

And there it stands as the days dwindle down to a precious few before the opening salvo of the supreme court's "big gun" decisions in October.

### "FLAT-EARTH THEORISTS"

"Flat-Earth Society" theorists may be on the verge of losing one of their members, GOP apologist & columnist Cal Thomas, who has gone so far to the right he may be in danger of "falling" off the edge - as all extremists are wont to do when it comes to certain issues.

On August 3, Thomas attacked Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, for changing his position on stem cell research. The column was fierce and may have been a bit "over the edge" even for some of our ultra conservative brethren - who subscribe (as they have every right) to the "pro-life" belief that the slightest hint of scientific research on stem cells is evil - even if the investigation deals with embryonic stem cells slated for destruction.

On July 29 Frist reported he now supports federal funding of stem cell research on the "blastocyst" leftovers, from fertility therapy, which will never be used and eventually be discarded.

This puts the Senate's leader on a collision course with President Bush and others who believe any sort of dabbling with human life - from conception to birth - is wrong.

Cal Thomas went even further last week when he opined that "If federal funding for stem cell research becomes law (over a Bush veto) the world envisioned by Adolphus Huxley in his novel 'Brave New World' will be ever closer!"

The Huxley book - presents a world in which embryos are gestated in test tubes and conditioned to develop into one of five "classes" - the best to run the world, on down to the least who are "created" to do the work.

Cal Thomas says all this is "coming soon" if we allow conservative leaders (like Frist) to cross the line. Presumably to become "abortionists-on-demand" if we follow Thomas' incendiary line of reasoning.

One wonders what these opposition groups would say if stem-cell research cured even one of the terrible diseases facing our loved ones today - Parkinson's, Alzheimers, or Cancer!

That's -30-

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## The Mother of Invention - Reinvention

BY JOSH ESTRIN

From the first pilgrims who came to practice their "reinvented" religion free from persecution, to the undocumented immigrants who now wander like Moses across the desert of opportunity in search of an economic Promised Land, Americans of all ages have always believed in the prospect -- alas, the right--to reinvent their lives in whatever idiosyncratic ways they choose, a trait that, ironically, has come to define the core of our celebrities and icons.

When it comes to controversy and pushing the envelope, no two people measure up more than the "Material Girl" Madonna and Janet Jackson. Their fans have argued for years over which one sends more shock waves and which is the more valid artist. The truth is, neither one has the singing chops of Barbra Streisand or the dance moves of Fred Astaire, but their ability to reinvent themselves has made them permanent fixtures in the music industry. With energy, hard work, and the ability to drop jaws, these provocative powerhouses have already become entertainment icons and it's anyone's guess as to what else they have up their sleeves.

So what is it that makes it possible for some "celebs" to be the rubber that everything bounces off of and others the glue that ends up tarring and feathering them. Why hasn't the Crow known as Russell fallen from grace for his violent outburst (allegedly throwing a telephone at the head of a hotel clerk) while others end up being one hit wonders on Bravo doing reality TV with wife and child.

Almost all celebrities express a feeling of invincibility and the ability to compose their lives, to reinvent the person they were to that which they feel they now need or want to be, and some achieve it several times over.

It is an ethic the Founding Fathers embedded in the Constitution, where before they declared our right to pray and say what we like (they had to amend it to do that), ensured that we could declare bankruptcy and start anew without fear of going to debtors' prison. To be sure, while we like to boast that ours is the land of opportunity, it's probably more accurate to call it the land

of reinvention.

But in the rush to reinvent, many celebrities may lose perspective on where they have come from--sometimes rewriting history itself. This is where I think we can separate the winners from the losers in this game of illusion and disillusion.

No matter how many times celebrities nip, tuck, lift or flatten, despite admissions of child abuse, multiple personalities, tirades against psychology and conversations with aliens, the gems in the rough that always seem to sparkle are those who stay grounded in a sense of who they are.

Take for instance Ms. Paula Abdul of 80's MTV video fame. It might have taken a decade or two, but she is back and she continues to be the powerhouse she was as a dancer, but now she takes on the likes of the press and "Simon" with the grace she showed on the dance floor.

One of the newest and most delightful reinventions is Teri Hatcher, of Desperate Housewife fame. As Lois Lane in the "New Superman" she was strong but vulnerable, quirky, but smart and on Wisteria Lane she has aged with grace and allowed herself to be the clumsy mom who is not afraid to call herself a "dork" publicly.

From Martha Stewart who would not know a good thing if it bit her in the ankle (above her house arrest bracelet) to "J LO" who has and never will be "Jenny from the Hood" with her Prada this and Gucci that, one must also admit with enough money, a thick skin and PR machine behind anything is possible.

In fact, you can even be a debutante of high society who made a porn movie, sued the man who taped it and then was photographed buying multiple copies in a sleazy adult book bookstore and still end up smelling like roses, or in this case like "Paris."

Tinsel town has come a long way since Plymouth Rock, but the natives are still restless and waiting for the next mythical Phoenix to rise from the ashes of the red carpet.

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## Hats off to Rotarians

Dear Editor:

Hats off to the Salado Rotary Club members. Their program of giving short rides to Art Fair Visitors was appreciated by many. The drivers were

careful, courteous and cheerful. I appreciate the help the gave me while I volunteered at the Art Fair entrance.

Thank you, Rotarians!  
Mary Catharine Ervin

# FORUM



## Property owners should get more than scraps from legislature

BY BEN BIUS

As the Texas Legislature continues its "Summer of Strife", lawmakers are hearing the voices of many who have vested interests in reform of the state's tax structure. Lobbyists for big business, special interest groups, teachers' unions, and others have descended upon the Capitol to bring all their political muscle to bear on legislators.

But not all voices are being heard clearly in this process. While well healed groups of tax consumers have lobbyists by the score, property owners - who currently contribute 60% of all taxes in this state - appear to have been drowned out.

As a result, Austin seems to be forgetting what all this effort to reform our tax structure was supposed to be about. Texas home owners have been begging for relief as their taxes soar year after year. Between increased appraisals and the shifting of education funding from the state to school districts, Texas has become the home of some of the highest property tax rates in the nation.

New home buyers can expect property taxes alone to account for as high as one-third of their monthly mortgage payments within the first five years of ownership. These rates have discouraged those hoping to purchase a home and led to Texas ranking in the lower half among states in homeownership.

Let's be clear, home and land owners are not

opposed to paying their fair share. Paying taxes to support good roads, schools, law enforcement and other proper functions of government is our duty. However, property taxes in Texas seem to be punitive. And why would we want to punish people for buying and paying for a home? Isn't it supposed to be the American Dream to purchase your own home? Isn't the housing market a vital cog in our nation's and our state's economic engine?

The growing crisis led to the Texas Senate passing legislation in 2003 that would have cut the cap on property tax rates in half. This bill did not make it out of the House and legislators were called back for a special session last year to again try to reduce property taxes. This priority has also headlined both special sessions this summer in addition to being a major issue in this spring's regular session.

But high dollar lobbyists for competing interests seem to have had an impact on legislators. Steadily, the amount of relief offered in tax plans emerging from these negotiations has shrunk. The 50% cut passed two years ago in the Senate has been replaced by only meager tax relief that seems to get smaller with every plan. Property owners may get the scraps of what they divide, if any are left over.

It is time for Texas property owners to stand up and say "Enough." We must raise our voices above those of the Austin

lobby. We have repeatedly told our leaders that we want real relief from high property taxes and they have promised it to us. Now, it is time for them to fulfill that promise.

For us to be effective, we must be unified and clear. Well intentioned legislators will do what is right if we are there to support and encourage them. If we are not, the powerful and entrenched special interest lobby will be the only voices they hear.

The cost of good government should never increase faster than the wealth of the people. Local governments should not be allowed to increase taxes without a clear and open vote. Good government should not take from the citizen any more money than is essential. These are not radical ideas. These are the principles that our state and our country were founded upon and they should be the foundation of any action taken during the legislature as they attempt to solve the school finance crisis.

Lower property taxes will help make the dream of home ownership available to thousands of Texas families. For those Texans who already own a home, it will make it easier for them to keep up with bills and save for their children's college, retirement, etc. It will create a stronger economy where more of our money goes into private enterprise and less into government coffers.

## The Pentagon can get your kid



Jim Hightower

Hey, youngsters - Uncle Sam not only wants you, he's got your number.

Not yet sure what you want to do in life? Why not get paid and see an exotic part of the world while you're getting it all together? Yes, you could summer in sunny Iraq...and be a part of our exciting occupation forces there, where there's never a dull moment!

If you are 16 to 25 years old, chances are you'll soon be receiving such a sales pitch from the Army. How will recruiters find you? Easy - thanks to a new database secretly built by the Pentagon, they know where you live. They also know your phone number. And your Social Security number, your email address, your height and weight, your grades in school, your ethnicity...and so much more.

The Pentagon's "Joint Advertising Market Research Studies Division" (did you know they had one of those?) brags that this superdandy database is "arguably the largest repository of 16-to-25-year-old youth data in the country, containing roughly 30 million records." It includes the names and personal info on 3.1 million graduating high school seniors and 4.7 million college students - possibly including you or someone you know. All this is to target, reach, and recruit young folks to fill the troop quotas for George W's war in Iraq.

There are, however, two little glitches with the Pentagon's sweeping new database.

First, it was illegally compiled. Officials began building it three years ago without giving public notice and allowing public comment - a flagrant violation of the Federal Privacy Act. Second, (and more alarming to mothers and fathers) the private data allows military recruiters to intrude surreptitiously into people's homes and put a sales job on their children. As one appalled mom says: "It's a direct shot to someone's child without consent from a parent."

To help shut down this illegal, intrusive database, call the Electronic Privacy Information Center: 202-483-1140.

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Many people throw up their hands in despair at what happens in the investment world. There seem to be so many things one cannot anticipate or control: political turmoil, rising oil prices, fluctuating interest rates, disappointing corporate earnings, etc. As an investor, aren't you just at the mercy of these and other events?

Not necessarily. You can't alter the headlines, but you can manage your response to them - and that makes all the difference.

#### History lessons

Unfortunately, too many investors are reactive, not proactive. Violence in the Mideast? Time to sell the stocks. Oil prices surpassing \$50 per barrel? Head to the investment sidelines. Downgrading of General Motors and Ford credit ratings? Put the money under the mattress.

You get the picture. Negative news just plain frightens investors - and it frequently causes them to take negative actions. Of

### Financial Focus

by Allen Mantanona



course, this phenomenon is nothing new. If you look back through the years at almost any major piece of bad news, you will see a striking pattern: Stock prices fall quickly, as people hurriedly sell shares, and then gradually recover and go on to new heights.

Want a couple of examples? First, consider the Cuban missile crisis. For many of us, it's now just a distant memory or an event in a history book, but, at the time, it marked a period of extraordinary fear and tension for Americans, as war with the Soviet Union seemed imminent. Not surprisingly, many investors fled the market, and the Dow Jones Industrial Average fell more than nine percent during the weeks of the crisis. But those investors

who stayed the course were well rewarded; just six months after the conclusion of the missile crisis, the Dow had not only recovered the nine percent it lost, but also posted a nearly 29 percent gain.

Now, let's move forward nearly three decades, to the market crash of 1987. After the Dow plunged more than 500 points one day in October, a financial panic ensued. At its lowest point, the Dow was down 34 percent. But investors with patience and foresight didn't panic. And four months later, they looked pretty smart, as the Dow recouped the entire 34 percent and added on another 15 percent. In fact, that surge marked the beginning of an almost unbroken rally throughout the 1990s.

You can find countless other revealing, if less dramatic, examples of the market bouncing back after a piece of unsettling news. Past performance is no guarantee of future results, but if investment history teaches us anything, it's this: Yesterday's events often have little to do with tomorrow's results.

#### Chart your own course

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by Ryan Hodge

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## Meyer to perform at Feast of St. Mary event

St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Belton is proud to present Carol Meyer as a featured soloist at the Feast of St. Mary the Virgin at 6:30 p.m., Aug. 15.



Carol Meyer

Carol Meyer, soprano, has performed internationally and in major opera houses across the United States, including the Metropolitan Opera. The range of her roles extends from Mozart to Poulenc. She was nominated for a Grammy Award in 2004 as a recording artist for the Milken Archive for American Jewish Music, available under the Naxos American Classics label. She has also made regular appearances with the contemporary music group "Continuum". She has been a regular performer and guest faculty member of the Chamber Music Conference of the East and Composers' Forum in Bennington, Vermont.

Meyer was introduced to Salado as a student of Dr. John Van Cura, with whom she continues to study after a working relationship of nearly 30 years. On a personal note, Meyer is remembered for her recital in the home of dentist and Salado resident, Dr. Doug Willingham in April 2004, which was sponsored by the Van Curas. Carol Meyer, now a future Salado resident, and Doug Willingham recently announced their nuptial engagement to the Salado community.

## Salado DRT set to host District Workshop

The Daughters of the Republic of Texas will hold its District V Workshop Aug. 19 in the Longhorn Room at the Stagecoach Inn, with the Village of Salado Chapter of the DRT serving as host.

The workshop will begin at 9 a.m. with registration and coffee, which will be followed by 9:30 a.m.-noon business session. At the conclusion of lunch at 1 p.m., an hour-long business session will be held before adjournment of the workshop at 2 p.m.

Business topics include the election of a nominating committee member and alternate, announcement of Chapter awards, a roundtable discussion for Chapter officers, along with each Chapter president submitting a brief report.

In addition, a "Dutch-Treat" meal and reception will be held at the Stagecoach 7 p.m. Aug. 18.

For more information about the workshop contact Dottie Tate at 254-875-2419.

## Dems schedule August 18 fundraiser

The Bell County Democratic Party will hold a "Dinner With Democrats" and a Silent Auction 6 p.m. August 18, at the Central Texas Homebuilders Association building, 445 E. Central Texas Expressway in Harker Heights. The dinner will be a Fish Fry with all the trimmings. Tickets for the dinner are \$20 per person.

Representatives from the Texas Democratic

Party office will introduce candidates who have announced for the coming election.

To make a reservation, call 254-698-1880 or 254-634-8830 by Aug 15.

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Two-a-days begin amidst preseason hype

## Will Salado break through in '05?

By CHRIS MCGREGOR  
STAFF WRITER

Shouldering the burden of expectation has been the undoing of countless numbers of teams. While a special few seem to thrive on it, still others wilt under its weight.

Entering the 2005 season, expectations in Salado are about as high as they've ever been, thanks to the opinion of a pair of respected preseason ranking sources. The Eagles - coming off a 6-4, fourth place finish in District 25AA - are ranked seventh in Class AA by *Dave Campbell's Texas Football*, and fifth in the state by the Associated Press. Which means Salado is rubbing preseason elbows with perennial heavyweights like Celina and Omaha Paul Hewitt.

That's a substantial leap for a team that played only one game in the month of November a season ago.

But not too many squads on the 2A level can boast of the size, depth and experience Salado has coming back. All but one starter off a strong 2004

defense returns, while seven offensive starters are back.

And then there's the 26 seniors on the 37-man roster. Some Class AA schools don't have 26 players on their roster, period, much less upperclassmen.

Salado is so deep, in fact, that the majority of players moving up from a 10-0 JV that outscored its opponents by an average of 23 points per game, will see the field primarily in special teams situations. There just aren't that many positions up for grabs.

All of which adds up to a welcome situation for sixth-year head coach and athletic director Jeff Cheatham. "In all three phases of the game, we're going to be able to put a veteran, talented group on the field," he said.

But depth in itself doesn't mean a whole lot unless there's quality to go with it. And it so happens the latter is what Cheatham has to work with. Only one Eagle, that being senior QB and FS Wes Ruth, will start on both sides of the ball. "He's just too important

to us to take off the field," said Cheatham.

A good bit of Salado's success will be dependent on Ruth - both his playmaking ability in the secondary and his veteran leadership under center. A three-year starter, Ruth, at 5'9" 150 pounds is quick and elusive, which one has to be at his size, but also has a strong throwing arm. As a junior, he amassed 663 yards with six TDs and seven picks in the air, while running for 524 yards and another five scores on the ground.

In front of him, on the strong side, is an offensive line that will be nothing if not intimidating. Lining up side-by-side at guard and tackle, respectively, will be senior behemoths Chris Redman and Cody Gobin. Redman, a 6'2" 275 lb. transfer from Massachusetts, and Gobin, a 6'5" 285 lb. first team all-district performer, more closely resemble small mountains than high school football players. Both Redman and Gobin are powerfully built and quick on their feet, and it's not a stretch to predict that one, if not both of them, will be playing on Satur-

days next fall.

On the other side of the line will be two more returning starters in seniors Jared Quirk (G, 6'3" 205) and Russell Montgomery (T, 6' 205). Filling out the line will be yet another senior, 5'8" 200 lb. center Michael Tracy.

The challenge of replacing tailback Josh Jacobsen and his 1,400 yards and 14 TDs on the ground will fall to senior Tucker Wilhite (5'11" 170). Wilhite, the starting fullback in '04, is expected to adapt to his new position without much difficulty. Taking over for the vacancy left by Wilhite will be compact but hard-hitting junior Alanso Galvan (5'6" 170).

At tight end will be senior Justin Whitfield (6' 205), while a quartet of experienced, sure-handed receivers will man the slot and wideout positions. Seniors Stephen Fry (6'1" 165) and Slayt Ebeling (6'3" 180) will join junior Blake Newman (5'11 150) in being the primary targets. Senior Brandon Peters also figures to be in the wideout mix. Fry, Newman and Peters are all coming off seasons cut

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## How They'll Line Up Offense - Multiple I

- QB 1. Wes Ruth** (5'9" 150, Sr.): Passing - 54-107 663 yards, 6 TDs/7 INTs; Rushing - 109-524, 5 TDs, 3-year Varsity starter.  
 2. Josh Shaw (6' 160 Sr.): Defensive starter at CB, backed up Ruth a season ago.
- TB 1. Tucker Wilhite** (5'11" 170, Sr.): Started at FB in 2004.  
 2. Joseph Clinard (5'8" 145, Sr.): Moving up from JV.
- FB 1. Alanso Galvan** (5'6" 170, Jr.): Saw time on both sides of the ball in '04. Tough runner and blocker.  
 2. Jesse Rodriguez (5'10" 205, Sr.): Could see action at both TB and FB, esp. in short ydg.
- TE 1. Justin Whitfield** (6' 205, Sr.)
- C 1. Michael Tracy** (5'8" 200, Sr.)  
 2. Raymond Soto (6'1" 300, Sr.)
- SG 1. Chris Redman** (6'2" 275, Sr.): Transfer student. Very strong, great mobility for his size.  
 2. Raymond Soto (6'1" 300, Sr.)
- ST 1. Cody Gobin** (6'5" 285, Sr.): Returning starter, 1st team all-district '04. Great strength.  
 2. Juan Perez/Dallas Butts
- WG 1. Jared Quirk** (6'3" 205, Sr.): Returning starter.  
 2. Ethan Williams (6'2" 215, Jr.)
- WT 1. Russell Montgomery** (6' 205): Returning starter.  
 2. Michael Baker (6'1" 215, Jr.)
- WR 1. Stephen Fry** (6'1" 165, Sr.): Returning starter, injured knee vs. Lexington in '04.  
 2. Blake Newman (5'11" 150, Jr.): Returning starter, injured ankle midseason in '04.  
 3. Slayt Ebeling (6'3" 180, Sr.): Started late in '04 season. At 6'3", is a big target at wideout.

## How They'll Line Up Defense - 50

- SLB 1. Jesse Rodriguez** (5'10" 205, Sr.): 132 tackles last season, 4-year Varsity starter. Linchpin of entire defense.  
 2. Josh Bush (5'11" 190, So.): Standout on 10-0 JV squad. Can play both LB slots.
- WLB 1. Justin Konzen** (6'1" 190): Started at LB last season as a sophomore.  
 2. Colby Cox (6'1 160, Sr.)
- NG 1. Chance Coe** (6'1" 185) Started at strong side end last season. 2nd team all-district in '04.
- DT 1. Dallas Butts** (6'3" 245, So.)  
 2. Justin Powell (6'1" 245, Sr.)
- DT 1. Kasey Pruitt** (6' 220, Sr.): Returning starter.  
 2. Justin Powell (6'1" 245, Jr.)
- SDE 1. Ethan Williams** (6'2" 215, Jr.): Returning starter.  
 2. Jared Quirk (6'3 205, Sr.): Starter on O-line, can also spell on D-line.
- WDE 1. Austin Smith** (6' 165, Sr.): Returning starter, 1st team all-district in '04.
- CB 1. Josh Shaw** (6' 160): Returning starter, 2nd team all-district in '04.  
 2. Mark Gentry (5'10" 145, Sr.)
- CB 1. Adam Patton** (5'9" 145, Jr.): Returning starter.
- SS 1. Brandon Peters** (5'11 175, Sr.): Returning starter. Major knee injury vs. Rogers ended '04 season. 2nd team all-district DB and WR in '04. Will also play some WR this season.  
 2. Leo Galvan (5'11" 185, So.): Big hitter, could play a lot in run-stopping situations.
- FS 1. Wes Ruth** (5'9" 150, Sr.): Only two-way starter for Salado. Uses athleticism to make plays. Will be rested when possible.  
 2. Blake Hancock (5'11" 175, Jr.): Will see snaps when subbing for Ruth.

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short by injury.

"We're definitely going to be big up front, and we think we have the tools to be completely balanced," Cheatham said.

But even with the talent Salado will field on offense, the team's real strength will be on the defensive side of the ball, and it starts and ends with senior linebacker Jesse Rodriguez (5'10" 205). Entering his fourth year as a Varsity starter, Rodriguez notched 132 tackles from the strong side his junior year. If he stays healthy, look for him to equal or better that production as a senior. Alongside Rodriguez will be junior linebacker Justin Konzen (6'1" 190), a returning starter.

The defensive line will also be a strength, where Salado will have an equal mix of size and speed. In the interior will be 6'3"

245 lb. sophomore tackle Dallas Butts, 6' 220 lb. senior tackle Kasey Pruitt and 6'1" 185 lb. senior nose guard Chance Coe, who's moving over from defensive end. Butts is the

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only defenseman who is not a returning starter.

The ends will be manned by 6'2" 215 lb. junior Ethan Williams on the strong side and 6' 165 lb. senior Austin Smith on the weak side. Smith was named first team all-district in '04.

In the secondary, Salado will feature 6' 160 lb. senior Josh Shaw and 5'9" 145 lb. junior Adam Patton at the corners, while senior Brandon Peters (5'11" 175 lb., all-district at DB and WR in '04) will start at strong safety and Ruth at free safety. In addition, sophomore Leo Galvan (5'11" 185) will see his share of action this year, probably at strong safety in running situations, while 5'11" 175 lb. junior Blake Hancock and possibly Peters will relieve Ruth at free safety whenever possible.

As far as opponents go, Salado is playing a top 10-caliber schedule. Up first is Class 3A Liberty Hill, which returns not one, but two 2,000 yard rushers from a team that went five rounds deep in the post-season last year. "We're going to find out real soon where we stand as a team after that one," Cheatham noted.

The Eagles also have games scheduled against Clifton (a playoff team in '04), and Troy, who Dave Campbell's has positioned at 12th in Class 2A. And then there's the district competition. In a favorable situation for Salado, the Eagles host both Rogers and Lexington this season, but will have to travel to face rival Academy. The Bees, remember, were responsible for Salado missing the postseason in '04.

According to Cheatham, the team realizes that this might be the year for Salado to make an impact. They're certainly enthusiastic. Team members participated in voluntary 7-on-7 tournaments during the summer, and elected on their own to hold the first contact practice at the stroke of midnight Aug. 4 - that being the first day the UIL allows for contact practices.

Mother Nature didn't cooperate, and the session was ultimately rained out, but that was only a minor holdup, as Salado held its intersquad scrimmage Aug. 6.

The Eagles will get to pound on someone other than fellow teammates come Aug. 13, when they scrimmage defending Class AA state champion Crawford 10 a.m. in Salado. They will also scrimmage Bruceville-Eddy 7 p.m. Aug. 18 on the road, before kicking off the regular season 7:30 p.m. Aug. 26 in Liberty Hill, when the path to what might be a memorable season, begins in earnest.

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## Community Bible Study classes begin in Sep.

The Temple/Belton Community Bible Study Bible Study (CBS) evening adult co-ed class will begin a 30-week study of the New Testament book of "Acts of the Apostles" Sep. 12. Anyone interested in joining the class or learning more about CBS may attend the introductory class September 12.

CBS is an interdenominational study for men, women and teens of all backgrounds who are interested in an in-depth weekly study of God's Word. There are more

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These questions will be discussed in small groups. Temple/Belton class members may choose to participate individually in a men's or women's small group or in a married couples group.

The class will break for Christmas and spring vacation and finish at the end of April, 2006.

To register or receive additional information, please call Kathie Kimes, (254) 773-1842 or Richard Erickson, (254) 526-9218 in Killeen.

## Carter guest speaker at Repub. dinner

### Aug. 15 at Expo Center

The Republican Party of Bell County is holding its 16th Annual Dinner and Auction Aug. 15 at the Bell County Expo Center.

Keynote Speaker will be U.S. Congressman John Carter.

State level Republican Officials who will attend include Railroad Commissioner, Michael Williams; Supreme Court Justice, Phil Johnson; Court of Criminal Appeals Judge, Sharon Keller, State Rep. Dianne White Delisi and State Rep. Suzanna Gratia Hupp. Also in attendance will be Third Court of Appeals Justice Bob Pemberton and Justice David Puryear.

The silent auction and reception begin at 6 p.m. The dinner buffet and program begin at 7 p.m. John Fisher and Eddy Lange will conduct a special live auction which includes a high wooden gavel donated by Senator Troy Fraser, an historic map of Bell County donated by Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson, and a Texas Clock donated by Rep. Dianne White Delisi.

Several Bell County Republicans will be honored and will receive the 2005 Pioneer Award.

Tickets are \$25, which includes the dinner, and

may be purchased at the Republican Party Headquarters, 725 S. General Bruce Drive, Temple. Headquarters phone is (254) 771-2923.



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Contemporary Worship/Bible Study	9:00 a.m.	Children's Choir	4:45 p.m.
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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Worship • 11 a.m.  
Bible Study • 6 p.m.  
Wednesday Praise & Prayer • 7:00 p.m.

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**The Salado Church of Christ**  
welcomes you to our services this week

**Sunday Morning Service • August 14, 2005**

This Sunday, our guest speaker will be Tom Allen, former long-time minister for the Copperas Cove Church of Christ. Tom is still teaching courses in "World Religions" and Bible at CTC in Killeen as he has done for many years. You will be blessed by his messages from God's Word.

**Joe Keyes**  
Minister

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

**Wednesday**  
Bible Classes • 6:30 p.m.

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## Funeral service Aug. 11 for Michael Gamble

Michael Harrison Gamble, 23, of College Station and formerly of Salado, died August 8, 2005.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Aug. 11 at the First Baptist Church in Salado with Rev. Brian Dunks officiating.

Gamble was born in Temple to T. Gerry and Patti Harrison Gamble. He attended Salado High School, where he was active in basketball and track. He served as Senior Class President and was a member of the National Honor Society. Gamble was also an active member of the First Baptist Church of Salado Youth Group.

He graduated from Salado High School in 2000.

Gamble graduated from Texas A&M Uni-

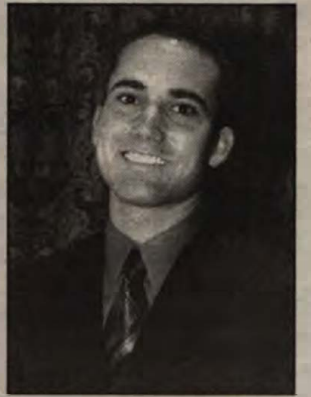
versity in May 2004 with a Bachelor of Science degree in civil engineering, specializing in structures. While attending Texas A&M, Gamble was a member of two honor societies: Tau Beta Phi, an honor fraternity for engineers, and Chi Epsilon, a fraternity for civil engineering. Gamble was a graduate assistant in the engineering department. He was pursuing a Master of Science degree in civil engineering for assessment and repair of voids in grouted post-tensioned duct systems.

He is survived by his parents, T. Gerry and Patti Harrison Gamble, of Salado; his sister, Julie Michelle Warden and her husband Douglas, of Temple;

maternal grandmother Janette Harrison, of Temple, and paternal grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gamble, of Georgetown.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, Joseph Harrison.

Scanio-Harper Funeral Home, of Temple, is in charge of



Michael Harrison Gamble

## McGregor ranks near-top of law school class

Rachel McGregor recently completed her first year of law school at St. Mary's School of Law in San Antonio, earning a rank of 13 in a class of 275 and making the Dean's List for both the fall and spring semesters. She has also been nominated to the National Dean's List, a recognition awarded to only one-half of one percent of college students nationwide.



Rachel McGregor

She is currently interning with the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, a civil rights organization which concentrates on impact litigation affecting the Latino community. In the spring of 2006 McGregor will clerk for Fred

Biery, Federal District Judge for the Western District of Texas.

McGregor received her BA in English from the University of Texas at Austin in 2004, and is a 1999 graduate of Salado High School. She is the daughter of Gary and Helen McGregor, of Salado.

After completing law school, she plans to practice real estate, estate planning, or employment/labor law.

## "JAM" night announced for Church of Christ

The Salado Church of Christ will hold a "J.A.M." night for Salado high school and junior high students 7-11:30 p.m. Aug. 12 at the Church of Christ Activity Center.

Ben Lazcano, youth minister for Salado Church of Christ, said J.A.M. (Jesus and Me) represents a time where young people "connect with Jesus as a community and 'jam' the whole night with music, food and fellowship."

This event will serve as a back-to-school kickoff for the church's "Fifth Quarter" gatherings that follow home football games.

There will be food, worship, a concert, mixers, basketball, volleyball, ping-pong and door prizes, said Lazcano. Cost is \$2, which covers food costs.

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# Cowboy Church conference coming to Baylor Aug. 20-21

The rural church is in the midst of a rebirth in Texas, Baptist leaders say. However, the growing membership of one of the most innovative places of worship today – the “Cowboy Church” – is more comfortable hearing the Gospel while dressed in jeans and cowboy boots than a suit and tie.

According to the Baptist General Convention of Texas, 44 Western Heritage churches have been established so far through the work of Texas Baptists, with that number expected to increase to 150 in the next five years. The of these non-traditional congregations will be the focus of the Fellowship of Cowboy Churches Conference to be held Aug. 20-21 at Baylor University's George W. Truett Theological Seminary.

The two-day conference, which is open to anyone interested in Cowboy Churches, will feature Aug. 20 workshops on Cowboy student, small group and children's ministries,

chuckwagon cooking, and elder and lay pastor training. The conference also will include a barbeque and concert that evening with Christian country singer Candice Myers and the legendary Light Crust Dough Boys.

On Aug. 21, the “Ranchhouse School of Cowboy Church Planting” will feature a morning worship service 10:15-11:45 a.m. at Truett Seminary. Dr. Paul W. Powell, Truett's dean and the day's Cowboy Preacher, will speak on “Branded for the Lord,” based on Galatians 6. Conference sessions will focus on such topics as “Great Western Cattle Trails,” “New Century/New Strategy,” “Cowboy Church Functional Structures,” “Cowboy Worship, Pastor Leader,” “The Spirit of Unity,” “Cowboy Church Values,” “Buying Land/Building Buildings” and “Discipleship (Western Style).”

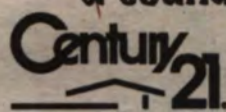
The cost to attend the Fellowship of Cowboy Churches Conference at Truett Seminary is \$10 per day, which is payable

at the door. For more information, contact Mary Barnett at (214) 828-5378 or Truett Seminary at (254) 710-3755. An online registration form can be downloaded at [www.baylor.edu/truett/index.php?id=29003](http://www.baylor.edu/truett/index.php?id=29003).

The conference will be the sixth “Ranchhouse School” held in Texas in the past 18 months. The conference is led by Ron Nolen, well known as a “Cowboy Church” starter but officially identified as a statewide consultant for Western Heritage church planting with the BGCT's Church Multiplication Center.

In March 2001, Nolen started Cowboy Church of Ellis County, which baptized 600-plus new Christians in four years and averages 1,100 people in worship. In October 2001, Nolen started Frontier Church of Ellis County, which attracts 220 worshippers and recently moved into its new building. In March 2004, he started The Ranchhouse Cowboy Church in Maypearl and launched the Ranchhouse School.

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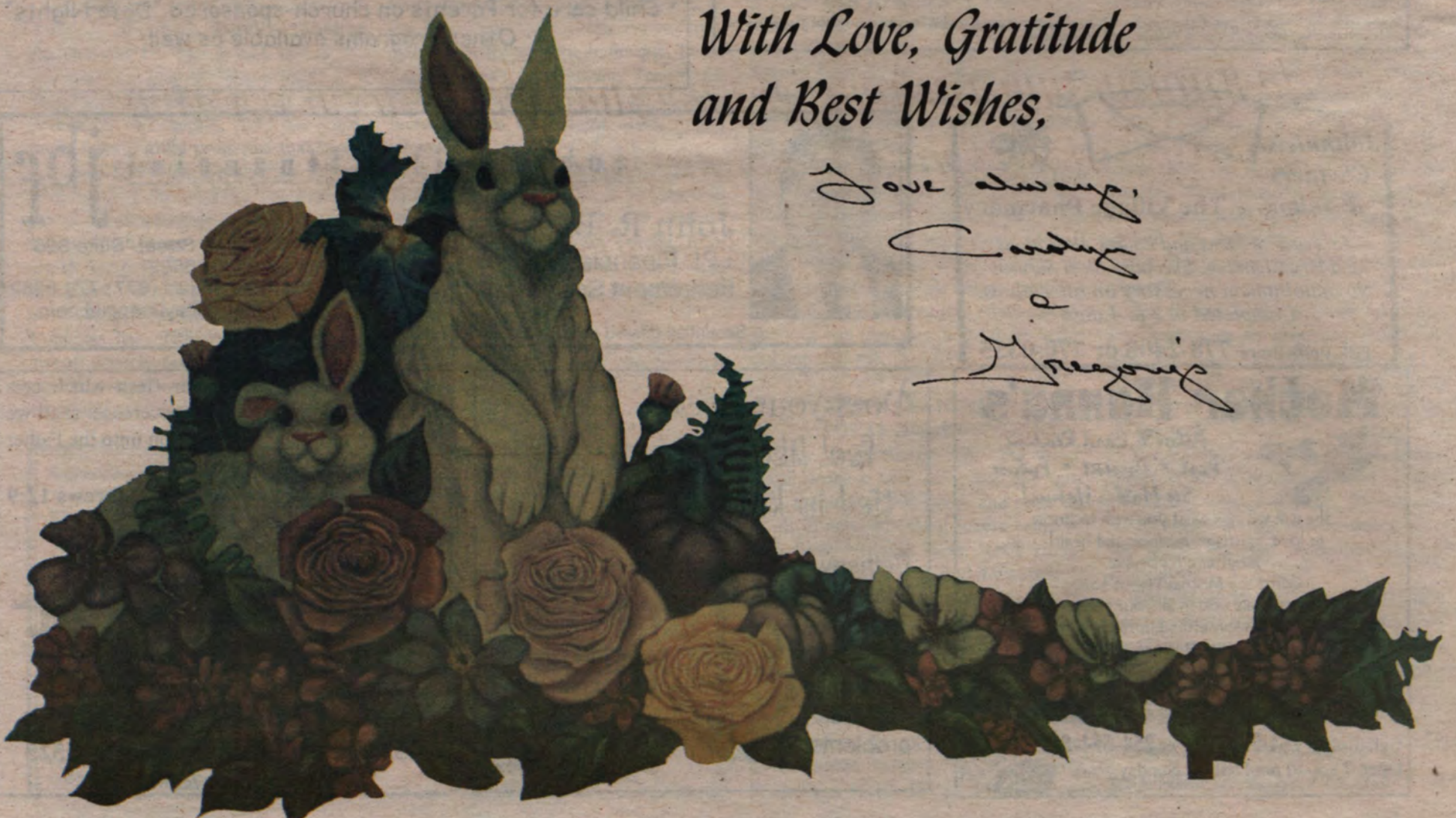
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# What's happening around

**AUGUST 11**

Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary meeting, featuring a program by Barbara Slough, Director of Habitat for Humanity in Temple. Fellowship: 9:30 a.m.; Program: 10 a.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

**AUGUST 12-14**

Salado Silver Spur Theater presents "The Salado Springs Truth Tonic and Elixir Medicine Show," an original melodrama by Gary Askins. Show times: 7:30 p.m. Aug. 12 and 13; 2 p.m. Aug. 13 and 14. Info: 947-3456 or visit [www.saladosilverspur.com](http://www.saladosilverspur.com).

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**AUGUST 12**

Salado Church of Christ "J.A.M." night for Salado high school and junior high students, 7-11:30 p.m. at the church Activity Center. Food, music, games and door prizes. \$2 to cover cost of food.

**AUGUST 13**

"Meet and Greet" party for incoming Salado kindergartners, 11 a.m. at Pace Park. The event is Pot Luck, so food sign ups and RSVP's are appreciated. Info: Karen Young, 947-9539.

**AUGUST 13**

Cooking Class at the Friendship House, taught by Chef Denise Woods: Pastry Basics - Dessert Sauces. Students will learn the differences between crême anglaise, pastry cream, and crême brûlée. Time: 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Cost: \$60. Info: 947-3136.

**AUGUST 15**

Meet your teacher and stash your stuff night, at Thomas Arnold Elementary School, 4-6 p.m. Parents and students can bring school supplies and visit with teachers.

**AUGUST 15**

Beginners quilting class at The Sewing Basket, 6-9 p.m., taught by Renee Marshall. Cost: \$45 plus supplies. Info: 947-5423.

**AUGUST 15**

Salado Youth Baseball Association Annual Trophy Day and Sponsor Appreciation Day, 5-7 p.m. at the Salado game fields.

**AUGUST 16**

First day of school for SISD campuses.

**AUGUST 16**

Teacup Tuesday meeting, featuring Kay Coulter and Janet Crews of Lovebound Ministries. 9:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Salado. Sponsored by the FBC Women's Ministry.

**AUGUST 19-21**

Salado Silver Spur Theater presents "The Salado Springs Truth Tonic and Elixir Medicine Show," an original melodrama by Gary Askins. Show times: 7:30 p.m. Aug. 19 and 20; 2 p.m. Aug. 20 and 21. Info: 947-3456 or visit [www.saladosilverspur.com](http://www.saladosilverspur.com).

**AUGUST 19**

Mill Creek Community Association Fall Fling at Mill Creek Inn Restaurant. Cash happy hour: 6 p.m., dinner: 7 p.m. Theme: "Country Swing into Fall" with a bbq buffet dinner with all the trimmings. Music by Touch of Class. Reservations due to by Aug. 11. Send reservations to: MCCA/P.O. Box 562/Salado, TX 76571.

**AUGUST 20**

Salado Athletic Booster Club Third Annual Reverse Raffle, 5 p.m. at Salado Intermediate School. Grand prize: \$10,000 shopping spree at Killeen Home Depot. Tickets: \$150 each, includes 4 meal tickets, admission to silent auction and one entry into grand prize drawing. Info: Ronnie Heller, 947-9090, or Jerry Smith, 947-1093.

**AUGUST 20**

Cooking Class at the Friendship House, taught by Chef Denise Woods: Basics of Pasta and Sauces. Students will learn to make a variety of sauces that can be used to top pasta and the importance of pairing the proper pasta with the appropriate sauce. Time: 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Cost: \$60. Info: 947-3136.

**AUGUST 22**

Beginners quilting class at The Sewing Basket, 6-9 p.m., taught by Renee Marshall. Cost: \$45 plus supplies. Info: 947-5423.

**AUGUST 26**

Salado Eagle football season opener, versus Liberty Hill Panthers, 7:30 p.m. in Liberty Hill.

**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 27**

Salado Volunteer Fire Department Fish Fry, 6 p.m. at Salado Intermediate School. More details TBA.

**AUGUST 27-SEP. 5**

Third Annual Salado Salutes Texas Educators Week, featuring door prizes and special shopping and dining opportunities for Texas public and private school educators. All door prizes have a value of no less than \$100. No purchase necessary to register for prizes. Info: 254-947-5040, email [saladochamber@vvm.com](mailto:saladochamber@vvm.com), or visit [www.salado.com](http://www.salado.com).

**AUGUST 28**

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

**AUGUST 29**

Beginners quilting class at The Sewing Basket, 6-9 p.m., taught by Renee Marshall. Cost: \$45 plus supplies. Info: 947-5423.

**SEPTEMBER 2**

Salado Eagle football versus Clifton Cubs, 7:30 p.m. at Salado Eagle Stadium.

**SEPTEMBER 3**

Music in Salado presents, "Music With an Italian Flavor," 7 p.m. at the home of Allen and Rita Rice, 717 DeGrummond Way. Reservations by Aug. 29 to: Music in Salado, TX Inc., P.O. Box 1235, Salado, 76571. Cost: \$28 per person.

**SEPTEMBER 10, 17 & 24**

Tablerock's production of Shakespeare's "Hamlet." Performance at 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$10 adult, \$5 child. Info: 254-947-8933, [www.allcentex.com/tablerock](http://www.allcentex.com/tablerock) or email [tablerock1@aol.com](mailto:tablerock1@aol.com).

**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.

**SEPTEMBER 10**

Cooking Class at the Friendship House, taught by Chef Denise Woods: Italian Basics: Pizza and Focaccia. Students will learn the basics of pizza and focaccia dough. Time: 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Cost: \$60. Info: 947-3136.

**SEPTEMBER 10**

Mid Texas All-Sports Car Show, noon-5 p.m. on the Stagecoach Green. Free admission, live music. Cars include Corvettes, Jaguars, Porsches, MG's, Vipers and Cobras, among others. Trophies will be awarded at 4 p.m. Info: [www.midtexcorvette.com](http://www.midtexcorvette.com).

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

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

**SEPTEMBER 12**

St. Stephen Women's Society "Women's Spiritual Retreat." Members will meet at the St. Stephen Parish parking lot to car pool. An evening of prayer, meditation and fellowship.

**SEPTEMBER 12**

Beginners quilting class at The Sewing Basket, 6-9 p.m., taught by Renee Marshall. Cost: \$45 plus supplies. Info: 947-5423.

**SEPTEMBER 13-15**

Salado Village Artists painting class, taught by Eve Larson of Laguna Gloria, in Austin. Class will focus on portrait and live figure painting, and will be held in the SVA building. Details TBA.

**SEPTEMBER 16**

Salado Eagle football, versus Troy Trojans, 7:30 p.m. at Troy.

**SEPTEMBER 17**

Cooking Class at the Friendship House, taught by Chef Denise Woods: Barbeque Basics and More. Students will learn grilling techniques along with some recipes like Grilled Portobello Mushrooms with Red Pepper Hummus and Szechwan Sirloin Steak with Green Bean Salad. Time: 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Cost: \$60. Info: 947-3136.

**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](mailto:pangea@vvm.com), or [tablerock1@aol.com](mailto:tablerock1@aol.com).

**SEPTEMBER 20**

Teacup Tuesday meeting, History of Salado presented by Pat Barton, 9:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Salado. Sponsored by the FBC Women's Ministry.

**SEPTEMBER 23**

Salado Eagle football district opener versus Somerville Yeguas, 7:30 p.m. in Somerville.

**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.

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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.

SEPTEMBER 26

Third Annual End of Summer Celebration (formerly PALS Wine Tasting Festival) produced by the Public Arts League of Salado, 6-8 p.m. in the Yellow Rose of Texas room at Summers Mill. Reservations available after Sep. 14 at 254-947-8300.

SEPTEMBER 29-30

Salado Village Artists juried art show in the SVA building. Details TBA.

SEPTEMBER 30

Salado Eagle football homecoming game, 7:30 p.m. versus Lago Vista Vikings.

OCTOBER 1

Music in Salado presents The Miro Quartet, 7 p.m. First Baptist Church worship center

OCTOBER 1-2

Tablerock's - A Christmas Carol auditions Sat.-Sun.: 3 p.m. Information: 254-947-9205. Directed by Harry Sweet.

OCTOBER 1-2

Photography Show and Sale, featuring works by M. L. Bolton, Shauna Mora, and Will Bolton. Opening Reception on Saturday from 6-9 p.m., Sunday from 1-4 p.m. at Royal Street Provision, 4490 Royal Street (3.5 miles east of Main St), Salado. Info: Alice Wells, 254-947-3350.

OCTOBER 2

Cooking class at The Range: A Wine Pairing Dinner with John Mackrell. Info: www.therangerestaurant.com.

OCTOBER 6

Cooking Class at The Range: Great Salads and Soups. Info: www.therangerestaurant.com.

OCTOBER 7

Salado Eagle football, versus Academy Bumblebees, 7:30 p.m. in Acad-

emy.

OCTOBER 10

St. Stephen Women's Society meeting, with a program by Salado Tourism Director Debbie Charbonneau on "Main Street Preservation USA," 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

OCTOBER 13

Cooking class at The Range: Party Items; Great Items to bring with you to the Party. Info: www.therangerestaurant.com.

OCTOBER 14

Salado Eagle football, versus Lexington Eagles, 7:30 p.m. at Salado Eagle Stadium.

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. Auctions, food booths, games. Noon-4 p.m. on St. Stephen church grounds.

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 18

Teacup Tuesday meeting, "Addie's Letters Continue" presented by Charlene Carson and Betty Fitzhenry, 9:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Salado. Sponsored by the FBC Women's Ministry.

OCTOBER 19-20

Local artist Gil Wanzor will teach a perspective drawing class in the Salado Village Artists building. Details TBA.

OCTOBER 20

Cooking Class at The Range: "Low Carb" Cooking. Info: www.therangerestaurant.com.

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OCTOBER 21

Salado Eagle football, versus Florence Buffaloes, 7:30 p.m. in Florence.

OCTOBER 22

Salado Education Foundation Chisholm Trail Cattlemen's Ball, 6 p.m. at Tenroc Ranch. Tickets on sale at Bill Bartlett Century 21, 947-5050, or at SISD Central Office, 947-5479, ext. 7005. \$75 per person.

OCTOBER 27

Cooking class at The Range: Grilling on the Patio. Info: www.therangerestaurant.com.

OCTOBER 28

Salado Eagle football senior night, versus Rogers Eagles, 7:30 p.m. at Salado Eagle Stadium.

OCTOBER 29, 30 & 31  
Tablerock's *Fright Trail*, 7 p.m.-10:30 p.m. Admission: \$5 adults and \$3 for children 12 and under.

NOVEMBER 3

Cooking class at The Range: Awesome Fall and Winter Desserts. Info: www.therangerestaurant.com.

NOVEMBER 4

Salado Eagle football regular season finale, versus Jarrell Cougars, 7:30 p.m. in Jarrell.

NOVEMBER 6

Cooking class at The Range: Simple, Fast and Delicious. Info: www.therangerestaurant.com.

NOVEMBER 11-13  
44th Annual Gathering of the Scottish Clans. First full day Nov. 12 at Robertson Ranch. More info TBA.

NOVEMBER 13  
St. Stephen Catholic Church Turkey Bingo.

NOVEMBER 15  
Teacup Tuesday meeting, Woods Florist on how to make Christmas wreaths, 9:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Salado.

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

NOVEMBER 19

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 19

Music in Salado, Texas, Inc. presents Trombone, Trumpet and Piano Trio, 7 p.m. First Baptist Church of Salado worship center.

DECEMBER 2-3

Tablerock's 13th Annual presentation of *A Christmas Carol*, 7 p.m. each night. Tickets: adults \$5, children 12 and under, \$3. Sandwiches and drinks available beginning 6:30 p.m. Info: 947-9205, or www.allcentex.com/tablerock. Email: tablerock1@aol.com.

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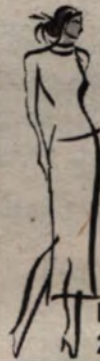
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**Deadline is Aug. 17 for Fall 2005 edition of Salado: A Jewel in the Crown of Texas magazine**

The advertising deadline for the Fall 2005 Salado: A Jewel in the Crown of Texas magazine is Aug. 17. Forms were mailed to Salado Village Voice customers with their July statements. Advertisers can also fill out a form on the Salado Village Voice webpage. Simply click on [www.saladovillagevoice.com](http://www.saladovillagevoice.com). Under the Salado Village Voice services is a link to the form. The Jewel magazine publishes quarterly, with 20,000 copies of each issue distributed. For more information about the magazine or advertising in the Salado Village Voice, call Marilyn Fleischer at 254 947-5321 or e-mail [advertising@saladovillagevoice.com](mailto:advertising@saladovillagevoice.com).



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**Hunting and Fishing license on sale Aug. 15**

New hunting and fishing licenses for 2005-06 will be available beginning Monday, Aug. 15, and the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is reminding customers to be aware of some significant changes. All current annual hunting and fishing licenses expire on Aug. 31.

Two significant changes in special stamp endorsements passed during the last legislative session will affect game bird hunters this year. Rather than individual stamps for various game bird species, TPWD has consolidated the special endorsements into two categories: upland and migratory.

The white-winged dove stamp and waterfowl stamp are now combined into a single Migratory Game Bird Stamp (\$7), which will be required to hunt all migratory game birds, including ducks, geese, white-winged doves, mourning doves, white-tipped doves, sandhill cranes, woodcock, snipe, rails, coots and gallinules.

The turkey stamp has been replaced by

the Upland Game Bird Stamp (\$7), which will be required to hunt all non-migratory game birds, including turkey, quail, pheasant, chachalaca and lesser prairie chicken.

Anyone who purchases the Super Combo license package automatically gets these needed stamps.

In addition to the migratory stamp endorsement, Harvest Information Program (HIP) certification is required of all migratory game bird hunters. HIP certification will be printed on the license at the time of sale only after the purchaser answers a few brief migratory bird questions. Lifetime license holders must also be HIP-certified to hunt migratory birds and these new stamp changes are automatically included in all lifetime licenses.

A sizable share of game bird hunters — those who hunt mourning dove exclusively and quail hunters — will be buying stamps for the first time. License sales data show that about 60 percent of all dove hunters already purchase the white-winged dove stamp. TPWD also estimates that only about 40 percent of quail hunters would feel an impact from the new Upland Game Bird Stamp, since most quail hunters already buy combination type licenses that include all needed stamps.

Also new this year, TPWD is waiving all fees for hunting and fishing licenses for Texas residents currently on active military duty in the U.S. Armed Forces, including members of the Reserves or National Guard on active duty. A Texas resident is defined as a person who has resided continuously in the state for more than six months prior to applying for a license. Active duty

military personnel must show a current military identification card and proof of Texas residency. The free military license may be obtained at any license vendor location, but not by phone or on the Internet. Activity duty military personnel will get a "Super Combo" Hunting and All-Water Fishing Package (Type 510), which includes all five state stamp endorsements (archery, freshwater fishing, and migratory game bird, saltwater fishing with a red drum tag and upland game bird). The Federal Waterfowl (duck) Stamp is not included.

Texas issues 3.2 million hunting and fishing licenses annually through 28 TPWD field offices, more than 100 state parks and at many retailers across Texas.

Hunters and anglers can also purchase licenses by calling (800) 895-4248. The phone license operation serves both Texans and non-residents, enabling hunters and anglers to buy licenses by phone using a major credit card. Call center hours are 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday — Friday and 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday.

A license confirmation number is issued at the time of purchase for online and phone orders, and the physical license is mailed separately. Confirmation numbers will verify that a license has been purchased but will not allow hunters to take fish or wildlife that requires a tag. A \$5 convenience fee is charged for ordering online or by phone.

Wherever licenses are sold, several other items for the 2005-06 season are also available, including Annual Public Hunting Permits and entries in Big Time Texas Hunts drawings.

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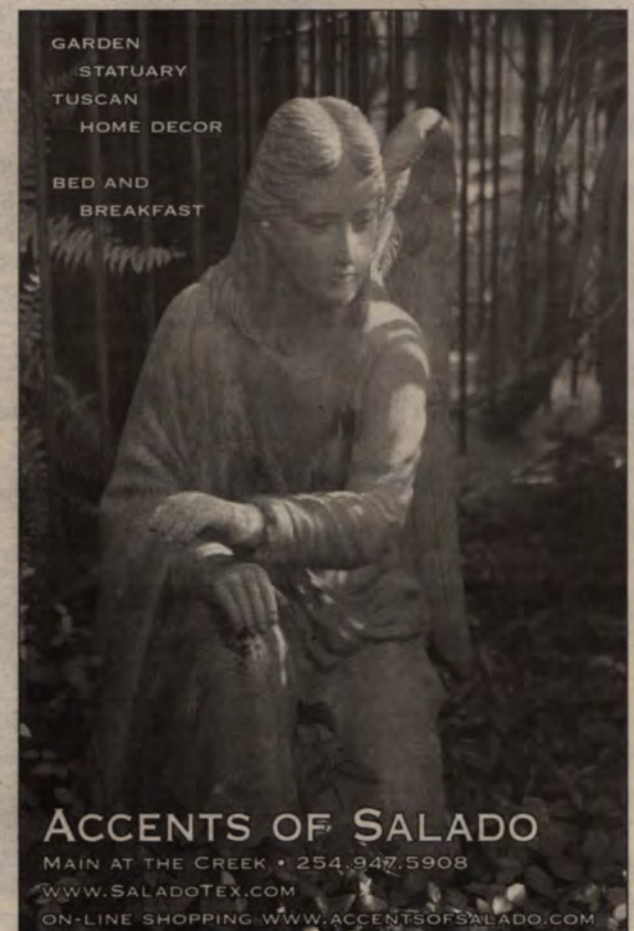
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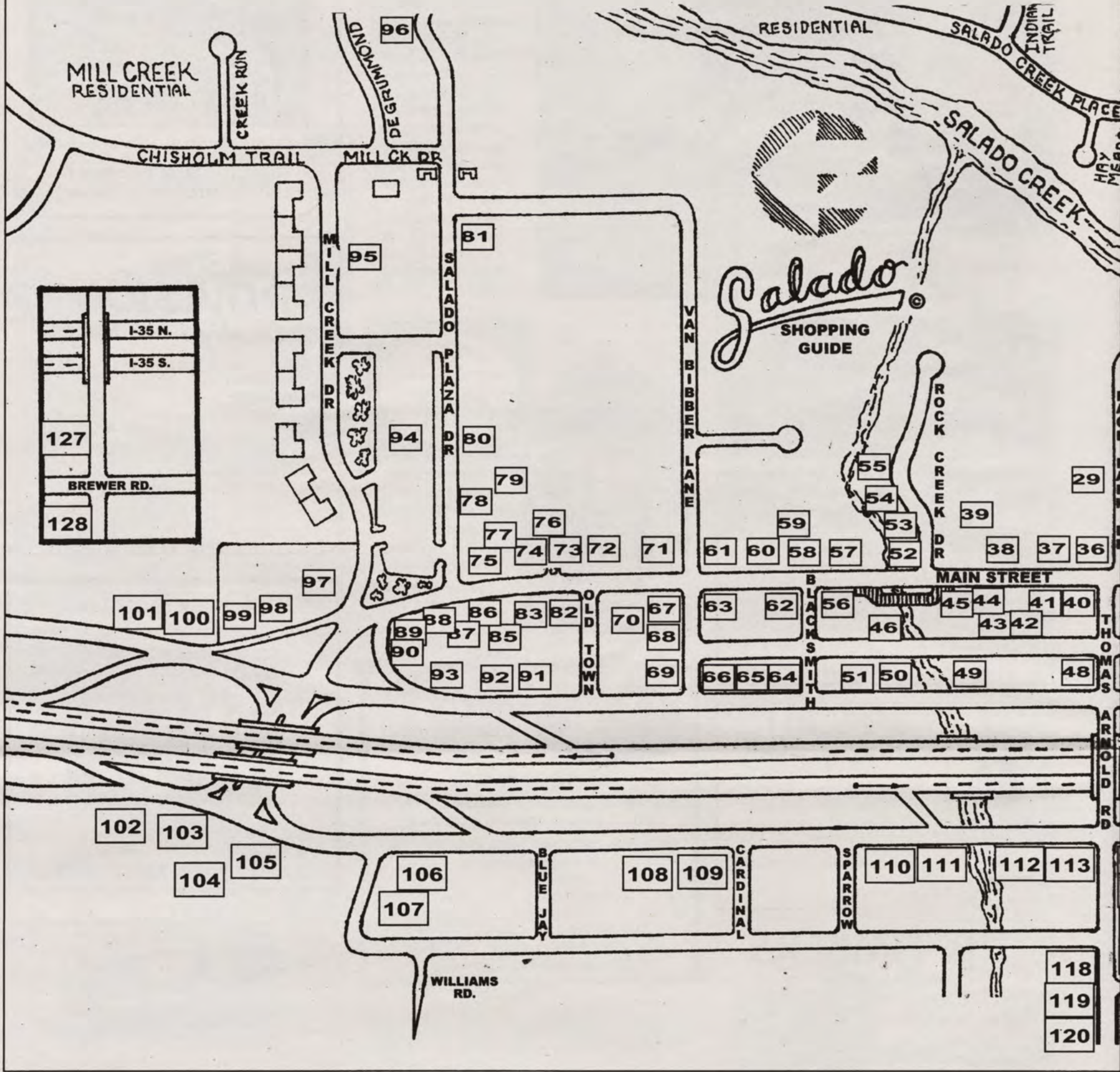


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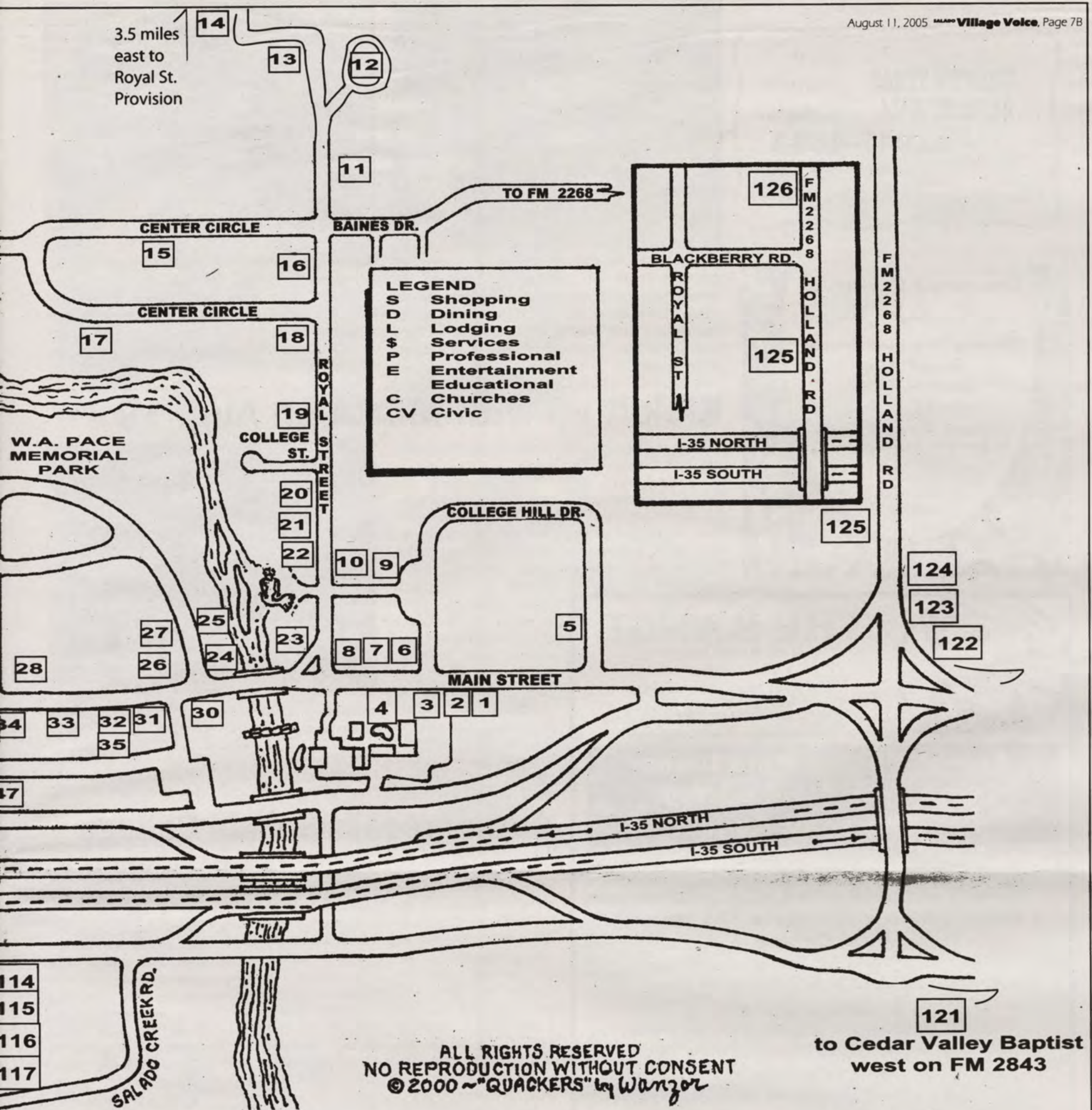
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Chisholm Trail Chapter of American Business Women hold their first meeting since the election of new officers. Shown from left to right: Joyce Goza, President; Cindy Cole, Secretary; and Janice Jeter, Treasurer. Carol Walls, not pictured, was elected Vice President. The ABWA Chapter meets at the Stagecoach Inn the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Anyone seeking information about the chapter may call 947-3617. (PHOTO COURTESY BARCLAY MCCORT)

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## Author recalls Salado College

Local resident and writer Charlie Turnbo was the guest speaker at the Salado Rotary Club's Aug. 2 luncheon at Stagecoach Inn. Turnbo is the author of several historical articles, and also edited and published a book titled "Home Was Never Like This" - a collection of diary entries recounting his uncle's experience as a POW in WWII.

Turnbo explained to the club that he is currently researching work for a book tentatively titled, "Salado, Texas College Town." His presentation consisted of a preview

of what the book will hold. Turnbo has been busy researching books, newspapers, conducting interviews and obtaining photos of various stages of the college. The Salado College history, he has found, includes three distinct eras: Salado College 1860-1884 and 1913-1918; Thomas Arnold High School 1890-1913; and Salado Public School 1884-1890 and 1918-1924.

Salado College itself was founded by E.S.C. Robertson, Dr. Carroll Kendrick and Hermon Aiken. Turnbo said that he has discovered that much of the historically significant architecture found in Salado can be traced to individuals that arrived in Salado from the eastern U.S. in association with the college. The school's roots involved close ties with Baylor, Turnbo noted.

Some of the interesting items to be featured in

the book include the fact that Salado College was one of the first co-ed institutions in the South; the school has burned down three times: twice in 1901 alone, and then again in 1924; Salado had been incorporated twice before its most recent incorporation: in 1867 to facilitate building of the first suspension bridge, and again in 1886 to assist the school; the school was briefly considered as the potential site for one of several Texas universities such as Texas A&M and Trinity.

In addition, Salado College had a short period as a military school in 1885.

There were also numerous other stories associated with the school and its alumni, which should make the book good reading for Salado residents or anyone interested in history.

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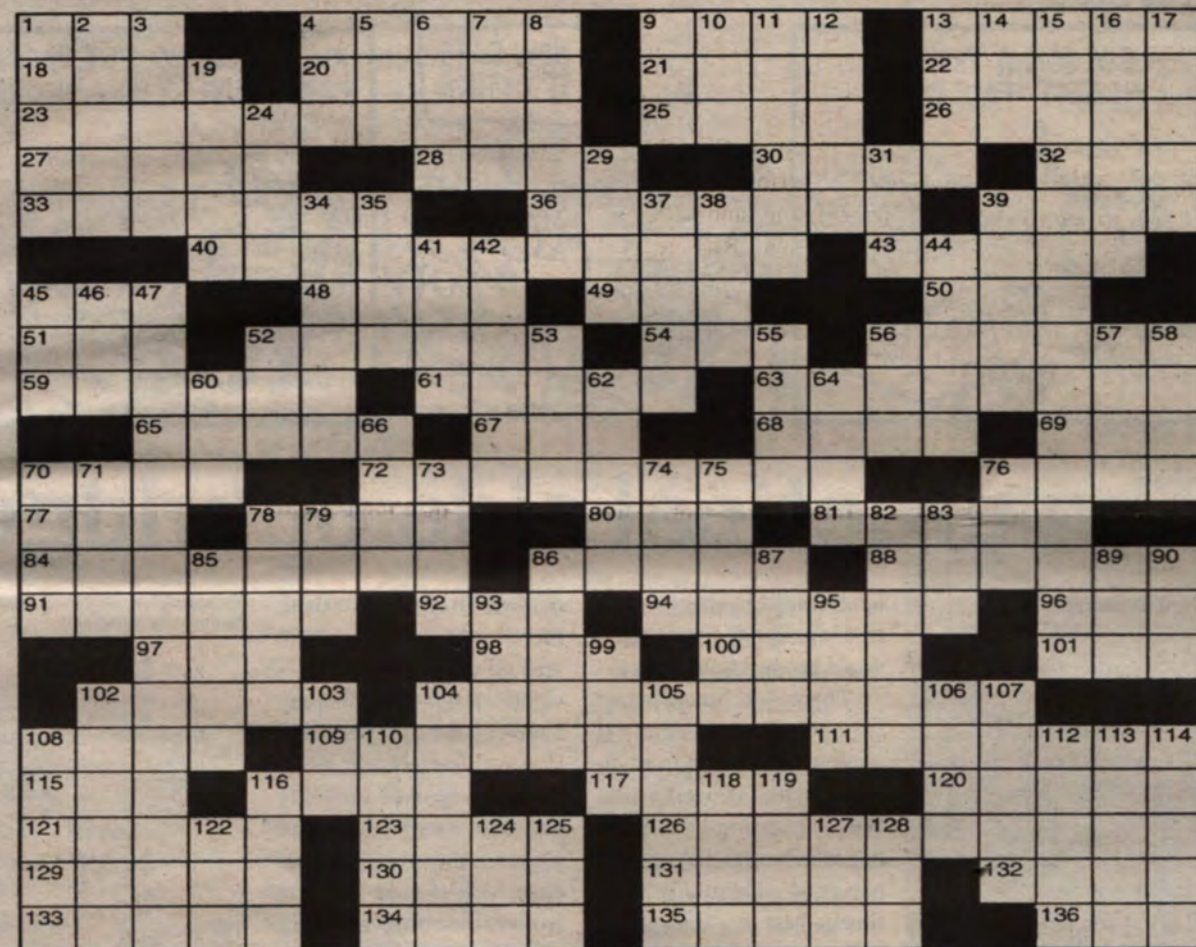
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Martin Sheen, to Emilio Estevez
  - 4 Photo tint
  - 9 Pipe part
  - 13 TV's "The — of Life"
  - 18 Baal or Elvis
  - 20 Bonus
  - 21 Soccer superstar
  - 22 Cold sound
  - 23 Dancing president?
  - 25 Landed
  - 26 Range rope
  - 27 — a customer
  - 28 Whip
  - 30 Tranquil
  - 32 —4 (Toyota model)
  - 33 Little lumps
  - 36 Fawning
  - 39 Parisian pronoun
  - 40 Dancing colonist?
  - 43 Go Fish and golf
  - 45 Comic DeLuise
  - 48 Muse with a scroll
  - 49 Command to a corgi
  - 50 Meyerbeer's —
  - 51 Prospector's prize
  - 52 "The Twelve —" ('70 film)
  - 54 At once
  - 56 Freezin' season
  - 59 Finger food
  - 61 Trickle
  - 63 Short story
  - 65 Cognizant
  - 67 In the manner of
  - 68 Bare
  - 69 Start to snooze
  - 70 Viva —
  - 72 Dancing comic?
  - 76 "— of Gold" ('70 hit)
  - 77 Gray matter?
  - 78 Northwestern st.
  - 80 Philips of "UHF"
  - 81 Tonto's horse
  - 84 More disreputable
  - 86 Director Lang
  - 88 Flusters
  - 91 Percussion instrument
  - 92 Feel awful
  - 94 Bean
  - 96 Make cheddar better
  - 97 Prohibit
  - 98 Wine vessel
  - 100 Yuletide
  - 101 Piglet's parent
  - 102 Hunt or Hayes
  - 104 Dancing boxer?
  - 108 Kid at court
  - 109 Hailing from Hunan
  - 111 Mention briefly
  - 115 Aussie walker
  - 116 Space
  - 117 Assistance
  - 120 Spanish guitarist
  - 121 "Crazy" singer
  - 123 Widespread
  - 126 Dancing cartoonist?
  - 129 Neighbor of Somalia
  - 130 Singer Phoebe
  - 131 Entertain
  - 132 Sour fruit
  - 133 Novelist Danielle
  - 134 Bronte heroine
  - 135 Aden's locale
  - 136 Minnesota twins?
  - 5 Word form for "environment"
  - 6 It may be bitter
  - 7 "— Dinka Doo" ('33 song)
  - 8 '92 Wimbledon winner
  - 9 Health resort
  - 10 — Aviv
  - 11 Draw forth
  - 12 Copper or cobalt
  - 13 "Green Acres" setting
  - 14 "Stroker —" ('83 film)
  - 15 Dancing body-builder?
  - 16 Wrecks the Rolls
  - 17 Italian wine
  - 19 Abate
  - 24 Seafood selection
  - 29 Coop crowd
  - 31 Pantyhose part
  - 34 Rembrandt or Whistler
  - 35 Ward of "Sisters"
  - 37 Wreckage
  - 38 Reject
  - 39 Touch up the text
  - 41 Journalist Jacob
  - 42 Jeanne of "Jules and Jim"
  - 44 Mrs. Kramden
  - 45 Bandleader Severinsen
  - 46 "... man — mouse?"
  - 47 Dancing statesman?
  - 52 Numbers pro
  - 53 Push a product
  - 55 Trick stick
  - 56 Tie the knot
  - 57 Thames town
  - 58 Funnyman Foxx
  - 60 Veneration
  - 62 Less vivid
  - 64 Van —, CA
  - 66 Piece of fencing?
  - 70 Enormous
  - 71 European capital
  - 73 Akbar's city
  - 74 "— the Mood for Love" ('35 song)
  - 75 "— bet!"
  - 76 Sprout
  - 78 It's up in the air
  - 79 Volcano part
  - 82 Peruvian port
  - 83 Keats composition
  - 85 Dickens title start
  - 86 Peel off
  - 87 Move like mad
  - 89 Self-esteem
  - 90 Make a muumuu
  - 93 Psychologist Pavlov
  - 95 Obligation
  - 99 TV host John
  - 102 Village
  - 103 Sgt. or cpl.
  - 104 Disney cricket
  - 105 Margin
  - 106 Mallard or teal
  - 107 Suffers
  - 108 Acts like a chicken
  - 110 Neighsayer?
  - 112 Actress Berry
  - 113 Synthetic textile
  - 114 "The Highwayman" poet
  - 116 Genuine
  - 118 Fancy fabric
  - 119 Horner's fruit
  - 122 Carrie or Louis
  - 124 On behalf of
  - 125 Ovine female
  - 127 Poetic monogram
  - 128 — Buddhism



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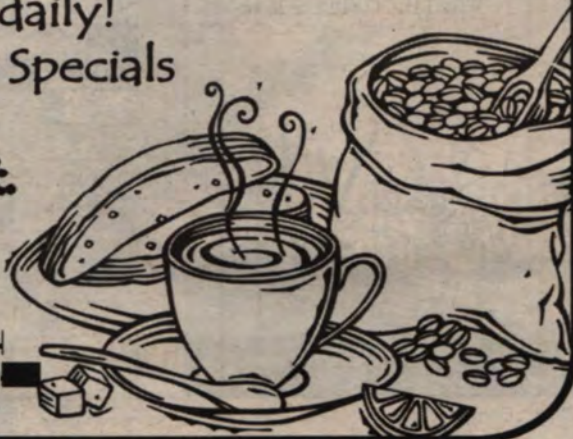
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**The practical side of bridge**

By STEVE BECKER

Assume you're in three notrump and West leads the heart deuce. It's not difficult to make the contract if you see the East-West cards. All you have to do is win the heart with the ace and play the A-2 of clubs. Nine tricks, easy as pie. But making three notrump is not that easy if you see only the North-South hands. You might, for example, win the third heart and finesse the queen of clubs. East would win with the king and return a heart, and the defender on

lead would probably shift to a diamond. Eventually, you'd go down two. There is a much better way to play the hand, if you put your mind to it. To begin with, you note that West's opening lead is the deuce of hearts. If West is a player who habitually leads fourth-best, it is reasonable to assume that he and East each probably have four hearts. On this basis, therefore, you should win the opening heart lead with the ace. Your next play is also important. You should lead a low spade to dummy's nine and return the deuce

of clubs! In the actual deal, there is a good chance East will go up with the king -- rightly or not -- and thereby hand you the contract. Even if East doesn't rise with the king, he will probably consider what to do before playing the nine. In that case, you should have no trouble nabbing his king of clubs later on to make the contract. The point is that by leading a low club from dummy at trick three, instead of taking an immediate club finesse, you give East a chance to make a mistake (if he has the doubleton king of clubs). And the

West dealer.  
 Neither side vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
 ♠ Q 10 9  
 ♥ 8 5  
 ♦ A 7 4  
 ♣ A Q 7 6 2

**WEST**  
 ♠ 8 5 3  
 ♥ K 9 6 2  
 ♦ Q 10 3  
 ♣ J 10 4

**EAST**  
 ♠ 7 6 2  
 ♥ Q J 4 3  
 ♦ K 6 5 2  
 ♣ K 9

**SOUTH**  
 ♠ A K J 4  
 ♥ A 10 7  
 ♦ J 9 8  
 ♣ 8 5 3

The bidding:  
 West North East South  
 Pass 1 ♣ Pass 1 ♣  
 Pass 2 ♣ Pass 3 NT  
 Opening lead — two of hearts.

more opportunities you give the defenders to make a mistake, the more likely they are to oblige.

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**The Garden Bug**

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CANAPE	SEEPS	ANECDOTE		
	AWARE	ALA	NUDE	NOD
VOCE	PAULLINDY	BAND		
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	BAN	VAT	NOEL	SOW
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CLINE	RIFE	WALTZKELLY		
KENYA	SNOW	AMUSE	SLOE	
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# Andy Phair is featured artist

During the month of August, The Salado Village Artists will exhibit a show by Andy Phair, who is the oldest member of the art club.

At least she was the first member, thereby making her the oldest member. She and her family moved to Salado

from Austin in 1983, and she started the art club out of sheer panic from having no one to paint with. The group has grown greatly in membership and content, becoming a large part of the Salado community.

Phair is primarily a landscape painter who

enjoys creating an occasional floral. "I love to take classes at the SVA building," she says. "Water color or acrylic instruction. It doesn't matter. You can learn something from everyone you come in contact with, and the club does present some impressive

teachers." She held classes herself recently with an acrylic workshop mainly on clouds and trees.

"My early art learning goes back to Dalhart Winberg. Everyone in Austin was copying and teaching his methods, and that left a pretty strong influence on my style," she admits.



Landscape artist Andy Phair

# Growing up country

Arlon Anderson was born and raised on a farm west of Sulphur Springs during the 1930s when times were tough. Money was in short supply. There was no electricity, no indoor plumbing, they cut firewood for the cook stove and got water the best way they could.

"We were poor but didn't know it because everybody else was poor, too. I'm convinced that material possessions and money are not the entire keys to happiness because we were happy. At night we played checkers, dominoes and a card game called Old Maid. We sang and played guitar and fiddle. We parched peanuts for snacks."

Arlon had a dozen brothers and sisters. "We had a huge table with benches. Papa sat at one end, Mama at the other and us kids sat on those benches. Mama made some of the best biscuits. We ate fresh vegetables from the garden. Whenever we'd have some meat, like chicken, sausage or bacon, she made delicious gravy to go with it. She was real good on that wood-burning cook stove. She really knew how to maintain an even heat.

"Our house wasn't insulated very well and the fireplace didn't put out much heat. It sort of inhaled the wood we put in there. We'd keep circling around the fireplace, tak-

by  
Tumbleweed  
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ing turns standing in front of it to stay warm. The house was really hot in the summer. We had heating and air conditioning both, but they were just reversed. We'd have heat in the summer and cold in the winter.

"We had two bedrooms. One was in the living room where Mama and Papa slept with some of the little kids. Kids slept a lot on pallets then. We'd visit with kinfolks, go over there in a wagon and they'd just throw

some quilts on the floor for the kids to sleep on. We did fine. We took a bath once a week whether we needed it or not. It was in a galvanized washtub. You heated some water in a kettle on the cook stove and poured it in. And more than one person used the same water.

"We shelled corn for the chickens, horses and mules, then took it to a grist mill in Brashear. They'd grind it. We didn't have any money, so this guy took a toll out. He

kept part of it for the grinding. We'd take back a sack of corn meal and make cornbread. I loved cornbread and milk mixed in a jar or glass."

Loading up the wagon and going to town on Saturday was a big event. They'd walk around the square and talk to people and go to the movie for a dime. When they wore out their clothes, they were really worn out. There was a saying about that era: Use it up, wear it out. Make it do or do without.

Arlon has kept up with his music. He plays banjo with some local groups and has made a CD. He spent 30 years with the Post Office, then retired. He lives in a substantial home and has been to Europe a few times.



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The Miro Quartet is increasingly recognized as one of America's most exciting young chamber groups. Under the auspices of Music in Salado the Miro Quartet will be performing in Salado 7 p.m. Oct. 1 at the First Baptist Church of Salado worship center on Main St.

Since winning First Prize at the 1998 Banff International String Quartet Competition and the prestigious Naumburg Chamber Music Award in 2000, the Miro Quartet has captivated audiences around the world, dazzling listeners with its youthful intensity and mature interpretations. Formed in the fall of 1995, the quartet met with immediate success winning the First Prize at the 50th annual Coleman Chamber Music Competition in April 1996, and the following month taking both the First and Grand prizes at the Fischhoff National Chamber Music Competition.

Last year the Quartet was appointed Faculty String Quartet at The University of Texas at Austin. The members of the Miro Quartet violinists Daniel Ching and Sandy Yamamoto, violist John Largess, and cellist Joshua Gindele, teach and coach chamber music there, while continuing their active international touring schedule. With this appointment,



the University of Texas at Austin joined an elite group of institutions whose faculties include a world-class string quartet.

The Miro enjoys a busy international touring schedule and performs in some of the world's most recognized concert venues. The Quartet's 2003-4 included several tours in the United States, Canada and Europe, with performances at such prestigious venues as the Amsterdam's Concertgebouw, the Kammermusik-saal der Philharmonie in Berlin, the Konzerthaus in Vienna, and at the Dresdner Musikfestspiele in Dresden. Past seasons have taken the Quartet to Boston, New York City, Washington, and to several German cities. The Miro Quartet was Quartet in Residence at the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center Two and was named to the Distinctive

Debut Series of Carnegie Hall, which provided for a Weill Recital Hall performance as well as debut appearances in Cologne, Stockholm, Brussels, London, Vienna, Amsterdam and Athens. The ensemble made its Tokyo debut in 2001 in a concert benefiting the victims and families of the September 11th tragedy.

The Quartet has been heard on numerous national radio broadcasts, including those of National Public Radio's "Performance Today" and Minnesota Public Radio's "Saint Paul Sunday." Internationally, the Miro has been featured on radio networks across Europe, Israel and Canada. The Quartet has also been seen on NBC's "Today Show," ABC's "World News Tonight," and on various programs of the Canadian Broadcasting Company. At the invitation of Isaac Stern,

the Quartet performed in a live broadcast the Jerusalem Music Center in Israel and was featured in a live broadcast at the Jerusalem Music Center in Israel and was featured in the recent American Masters Documentary "Isaac Stern: Life's Virtuoso."

The Quartet has released two recording on the Bridge Records label, performing music by Rued Langgaard and George Crumb. Its performance of Crumb's Black Angels on the second Bridge CD has received international acclaim. The Miro's latest recording, released in March 2004 on the Oxingale label, has also been welcomed with enthusiastic reviews.

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Austin stone home on 3.85 acres. 3 BR/2.5 BA surrounded by wonderful trees. Large open floor plan with great room effect. Stone fireplace, spacious utility room, extra long two car garage with bonus room above it that could be finished as an office or play area. \$225,000



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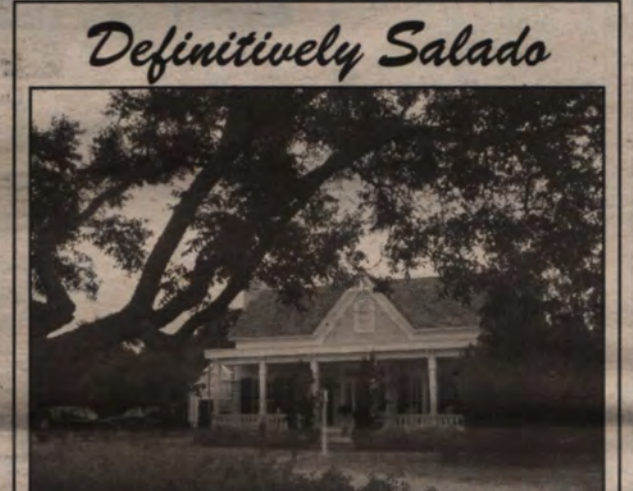


**Horse property!** 29.5 acres with Austin stone home, metal roof, 3BR/3BA, great room plan, kitchen has island breakfast bar, stone fireplace, hilltop view from home, stone entrance, individual fenced pastures, with water and loafing shed. Large barn with stalls, hay storage, tack room, office and turn out pens. Metal building with attached tractor storage. Salado ISD. \$390,000.



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**Fantastic Opportunity for New Venture with the Best Location Available on Salado's Historic Main Street.** Vintage live oaks and 2 cozy cottages on approximately .69 acre lot. This property fronts Church St. as well as Main St. with generous parking possibilities. Each cottage is fully equipped with efficiency kitchen and bath, sitting and dining areas, and separate sleeping rooms. Very quiet and private, yet in the center of sites of the village, fantastic shopping and dining. Visible from I-35. \$275,500.

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**\$199,500:** What could possibly be more convenient than the entrance to Mill Creek? Magnificent 1.51 acres. See all the possibilities.



**\$625,000:** Over 19 acres privately situated on tree-covered hilltop with beautiful view. Home is 2 story with 4 BR/3.5 BA, 2 living, 2 dining and study. Country kitchen is loaded with cabinets! Enjoy windows galore. Wonderful barn has 3 stalls, tack room, work room.



**\$155,800:** A great price for a home with granite countertops and tile floors. This home shows beautifully. Entertain in the shade on the back deck with an arbor. Light and bright with formal dining room.



**\$309,500:** View Salado Creek and Mill Creek golf course from family room and kitchen in this 4 BR/3BA home. Recently renovated with beautiful tile floors throughout living and kitchen. Large Master BR suite with separate tub and shower. Seller to pay up to \$10,000 toward buyer's closing cost.



**\$186,900:** Beautiful trees in the heart of Mill Creek. Backyard is completely fenced with large live oak trees. Hardwood floors throughout most living areas, open kitchen, wood-burning fireplace in living area. 3 BR/2 BA.



**\$99,750:** Cute, cute, cute! Great starter home in Holland. Bathrooms have marble countertops, ceramic tile floors. Floors in kitchen and dining area are ceramic tile, kitchen countertops are ceramic tile.



**\$45,900:** Great getaway or small home. Just minutes from Owl Creek Park, fish every day. Recent metal roof, carpet and interior paint. Backyard fenced, nice large trees. Additional 16x24 room at end of home with separate entrance.

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### Acreage Available

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- 97 acres on Solana Ranch Rd. Beautiful setting. Stock pond & city water. UC
- 33.18 acres at the edge of Bartlett. Easy access. Could be developed into subdivision or other use.
- 65 acs. on Hill Rd. and I-35, all or part
- 30-290 acres, 5 miles south of Salado, Lovely view, owner finance. UC
- 5 wooded acres on Blackberry Rd
- 5 acres on Sam Neil Lane, perfect for building a custom home.
- 1.1 acre homesite on Lampasas River.

### Lots & Home Sites

#### Mill Creek Lots

- Fletcher Ct. - \$64,000 • O.W. Lowery - \$70,000
- Mill Creek Springs I & III - \$30,000-75,000
- Mill Creek Springs IV
- Golf course & hilltop view lots start at \$40,000
- Interior lots start at \$25,000
- The Overlook, estate-sized lots start at \$94,000.

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#### Woods of Salado Lots

- Mountain Dr. - Lot 5B - \$35,000.
- N. Lakeview \$33,800
- Live Oak Rd. Lots 21A&B \$70,000

#### Other Lots

- Windy Hill Ranch: 2 acre lots - \$35,000-\$45,000.
- Heritage: 1 to 3 acre wooded, near Salado. Restricted.
- Hidden Springs: Lot 2, Lot 31, Lot 116, Lot 194.
- Denman's Loop: Lot 8, B 19, Sec. 2, \$18,000.

### Commercial Property

- \$429,000: 5.66 acres commercial property off Main Street Salado.
- \$199,500: 1.51 acres currently used as golf club shop. Many possibilities.
- \$85,000: Great location for a Salado business, on 0.925 ac. on Center Circle.



**\$299,921:** Located in beautiful Royal Oaks, this 4 BR/3 BA home is loaded with personality. Wide, open foyer features high vaulted ceilings. Game room is just the right size for a pool table. Large, tree-covered deck is private and enjoyable. Great space to live and play.



**\$153,500:** Pretty 2001 doublewide Redmond home with log cabin finish. Deck across and alongside of home. 40 trees have been planted on 13.77 acres. Completely fenced with chicken house and goat shed, includes 2 septic systems and 2 electric meters. 10 x 20 shop with metal roof.



**\$179,500:** Located on Mill Creek Golf Course. 3 BR/2.5 BA with beautiful views of Fairway #5 on Creek #2. Large living area with deck overlooking golf course and pond. Master BR has beautiful views as well.



**\$149,900:** Neat, immaculate, clean and what a view from the deck above the carport. Quiet cul-de-sac in Live Oak Estates with room for horses. Two oversized bedrooms upstairs that could easily be divided.



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# What are the construction trends toward

**Dear EarthTalk:**  
 What are some of the trends in the construction industry that seek to improve the environmental impacts of buildings?  
 -- Bianca Hoffman, Bridgeport, CT

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 About Our Environment

Builders, architects, environmental organizations and forward-thinking governments around the world are working on a host of innovative ideas aimed at greening the built environment--from giant factories and public spaces to housing developments and

single-family homes. On Earth Day last April, syndicated columnist Joan Lowy took the opportunity to describe what she thought were the most important environmental trends. Number two on her list (just behind cleaner cars) was green

building. Lowy pointed out that over 200 new commercial and public structures built in the U.S. in the last five years have met or exceeded rigorous standards for energy efficiency, use of recycled materials, water conservation and other practices set by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), an association of building industry leaders that works to promote environmentally responsible building.

"That's 217 million square feet, or five percent of the construction of commercial buildings over the past five years," she wrote, also noting that almost 10 percent of new homes in some of the top housing markets now meet Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Energy Star standards for energy efficiency. (To earn an Energy Star, a house must be 30 percent more energy-efficient than required by regulation.)

Some specific green building features include: water-saving "low-flow" plumbing systems; "living" filter systems that use plants and bacteria to break down waste; solar

energy; recycled and non-toxic materials (from paints to siding to insulation); efficient integration of structures into natural landscapes; and innovative uses of plants, including for roofing, to reduce water runoff, air pollution--and energy bills.

Green builders look to stack up to the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) rating system, a science-based approach developed by USGBC that emphasizes sustainable site development, water and energy efficiency, wise materials selection and indoor environmental quality. In San Jose, California, any new construction over 10,000 square feet must be LEED certified. Mike Foster, Green Coordinator for San Jose, reports that many of the city's public projects now incorporate green features such as carpeting with recycled content or paints with low levels of volatile organic compounds (VOCs).

A number of other cities, including San Francisco, Boston, Seattle and Scottsdale, Arizona, are

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# greener buildings?

also leading the way in requiring that new public buildings be green. In San Francisco, the greening of such landmarks as the Academy of Sciences Building and the Golden Gate Music Concourse have helped show what can be done. And Boulder, Colorado has enacted a Green Points Building Program, which requires builders to include certain sustainable elements based on the structure's size.

"I think what has happened is that we've changed people's attitudes," says Taryn Holowka, a spokesperson for the USGBC. "They realize that a green building doesn't have to look like a space ship, it doesn't have to cost more, and in the long run it actually saves money."

CONTACTS: U.S. Green Building Council,

www.usgbc.org; Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Energy Star, www.energystar.gov; Environmental Building News, www.buildinggreen.com.

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