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Institute for Humanities inks writing workshop on Oct. 22

Each of us has stories to tell—of our experiences, our history, our lives. To help those stories come to life on paper, The Salado Institute for the Humanities is initiating a Bell County version of the hugely successful "Writing Austin's Lives Project." This writing project is part of the Institute's fall series on The Power of Stories. It is designed to produce and collect stories about central Texans' lives by helping people learn how to write about their experiences.

With the help of the University of Texas Humanities Institute, the Austin project's sponsor, the Salado Institute will launch "Writing Central Texas' Lives" at an Oct. 22 writing workshop. That event will be held at the Halley House in Salado from 11:30 a.m.-4 p.m. The cost is \$20. The workshop is open to the public, but pre-registration is required. The event is almost sold out, so contact the Institute right away at 254-947-5729 or ifh@vvm.com if you want to participate.

For the Saturday event, Dr. Evan Carton, director of the UT Humanities Institute and editor of the book *Writing Austin's*

Lives, will present an overview of the project during lunch. This will be followed by a life-writing workshop taught by Abriel Louise Young, the Austin writer and poet, who designed the Writing Austin's Lives life-writing workshops. This hands-on workshop is designed to help people get started writing their stories.

The Institute intends to make this an ongoing project, so if you are unable to attend this event, additional workshops are planned for the future. It is hoped that as many people as possible can learn how to write about their personal stories.

This Bell County living history project is based on the "Writing Austin's Lives" project that the UT Humanities Institute started two years ago. That project held workshops throughout the city over a period of months that helped to teach Austinites how to write about themselves, the city, their family—their story. Several thousand people participated and wrote their stories that were submitted to the UT Humanities Institute. Many were chosen for publication in a book entitled, *Writing Austin's Lives*.

While that may seem a bit ambitious for now, the Institute is taking the first step with this writing workshop. After this initial launch, the Institute hopes to get other groups involved such as area libraries, schools, various historical societies and literary societies, in short, anyone who is interested in preserving and recording the personal histories of Central Texas.

As envisioned, the first phase of the "Writing Central Texas' Lives" project, would proceed from the October 2005 launch with an additional series of writing workshops in the spring aimed at reaching as many potential contributors as possible.

It is hoped that these would be led by English or history teachers from the various school districts and colleges and universities in Bell County, who would follow a workshop template provided by the writing workshop leaders for the Austin writing project.

The Institute for the Humanities at Salado is a non-profit corporation offering educational programs and conferences in the disciplines of the humanities for the public and the professions.



A little off the top

The roof of the Salado United Methodist Church came down last week in preparation for moving the entire structure from its Thomas Arnold and Church Street location to its new home on Royal Street. The steeple has already been moved and the roof and ground floor of the sanctuary will be moved in coming days.

Cattlemen's Ball Oct. 22

Tickets are still available for the Oct. 22 Cattlemen's Ball at Tenroc Ranch in Salado. Tickets for the evening of music, food and fun are \$75 per person with all proceeds benefiting the Salado Education Foundation scholarship program to Salado High School students.

Since 2000, 30 students

have received more than \$55,000 in scholarships through the Foundation.

Scholarship recipients last year were Kristi Billington, Ben Carder, Valerie Clark, Matt Jennings, Joseph Shumate and Laura Lee Young.

The Cattlemen's Ball will include a barbecue dinner provided by

Johnny's Steaks and Bar-BeQue, music by Freddie Fuller and Band, silent and live auctions and a casino by Knights of Columbus Council #7196.

To buy your tickets, contact the Superintendent's office at 947-5479, ext. 7005 or Century 21 Bill Bartlett, 947-5050.

Friends Feeding Friends Oct. 20

The 16th Annual Friends Feeding Friends Food Drive will take place in locations all across Central Texas, 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Oct. 20.

Donations can be dropped off in Salado at the Brookshire Brothers grocery store.

Requested items include any type of non-perishable food items, baby food, formula and diapers, laundry detergent, bath and dish soap, deodorant, cleaning supplies, toothpaste and toothbrushes, toiletries, light bulbs and papers towels.

All donations will be distributed locally.



Christmas in October

Salado Ladies Auxiliary annual Christmas in October last week brought plenty of people to Salado as the two-day event offered something for everyone to enjoy. Christmas in October is the largest fundraiser for the Auxiliary.

(PHOTOS BY MARILYN FLEISCHER)

Aldermen to vote on annexation

Salado aldermen will consider the annexation request of about two dozen property owners in Mill Creek at their 6:30 p.m. Oct. 20 meeting.

The board has conducted hearings on the matter and is expected to vote.

The annexation vote is among a dozen items of business for the board to discuss Oct. 20. The meeting is open to the public.



Natalee Cantrell is the 2005 Miss Flame for the Salado Volunteer Fire Department. She was crowned by 2004 Miss Flame Rachelle Perry on Oct. 14 at the home game. Cantrell is the daughter of Jim and Donna Cantrell, of Salado. (PHOTO BY MARILYN FLEISCHER)

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Salado Gallery Night Oct. 22

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An Open Exchange of Ideas



Promoting (dubious) diversity on the Court

President Bush struck a blow for diversity on the Supreme Court by picking White House counsel Harriet Miers as his latest nominee. Bush thus made a strong statement that the court has room for highly distinguished justices and not-so-distinguished justices, for nominees who have made their reputations in the wider legal world and for nominees people have hardly heard of, for world-class lawyers and for lawyers he happens to know and like.

After the nomination of John Roberts, Bush boosters hailed the president for bucking the political imperative of selecting a woman or a minority and for instead caring above all about high qualifications. They now have to take all that back. We don't know much yet about Harriet Miers, except that she is the anti-Roberts, a nominee whose credentials are less than sterling and whose qualifications for the court are less than obvious.

It might turn out that she is an outstanding justice. But there is no way for anyone besides President Bush's immediate circle to know it. Of course, other Supreme Court justices have come without experience on the bench. Chief Justice Earl Warren was governor of California. Harriet Miers was "an elected member of the Dallas City Council," as Bush put it in his announcement of her nomination.

Watching Bush strain to pump up her accomplishments was cringe-making. He said she has tried cases "before state and federal courts"! She has "argued appeals that covered a broad range of matters"! She was head of the Texas Lottery Commission and "insisted on a system that was fair and honest"! She was a leader with Child Care Dallas, Meals on Wheels and other charitable groups! She has a law degree! From Southern Methodist University!

Of course, Miers currently has a

Rich Lowry



heavy-hitting job as White House counsel. That is testament to a certain legal acumen, and she has apparently impressed people with whom she has worked closely. But given the significance of a lifetime appointment to the nation's highest court, this is a rather thin qualification. Indeed, the most important reason Miers was picked is that Bush is comfortable with her.

There is something to be said for having a court that is not all white men. But Miers has a whiff of an affirmative-action selection about her that is unnecessary. When Sandra Day O'Connor was tapped in 1981, she was one of the few qualified women in the country. Now, there are dozens and dozens of women on appellate courts, on state supreme courts and on law-school faculties whose qualifications would be beyond question.

Democrats have an interesting choice. They can accept Miers on the theory that as an unknown quantity she is the best they can hope for from Bush, given that his short list included well-established, intellectually hefty conservatives. Or they can try to deal Bush a blow by attacking her as a crony.

If they choose the first course and Miers votes as a down-the-line conservative on the court, Bush's pick will, over time, be seen as politically canny. Now it looks like the latest act of an overly insular, increasingly off-key White House.

Rich Lowry is editor of the *National Review*.

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Nine Amendments up for grabs Nov 8; Same-sex marriage ban; Usury; Reverse mortgages; will spark voter interest

Off the Record by Ken Clapp



Texas voters are facing their biennial exercise in Democracy as they prepare to amend (or not) the State's Constitution on Tuesday, November 8. Lawmakers earlier this year created nine more proposed amendments to the fundamental law of our State, bringing the total number referred to voters to 618 - since 1876. That's the year our current constitution was redrawn following the post-Civil War "Carpetbagger" period.

Of the previous 609 amendments created by our legislators - some 432 passed muster. That's an amazingly high percentage of 71. Indicating that Texas either has a fundamentally flawed State Constitution, or lawmakers have "way too much time" on their hands when they return to Austin every other year, for 140 days of legislating.

As always, *Off The Record* will present each amendment - complete with "for and against" arguments, along with commentary and recommendations. We'll space this info over the next three weeks.

The amendments this year are highlighted by several "warm-to-hot-button" items, including a ban on same-sex marriages; usury laws; reverse mortgages; and tax giveaways.

AMENDMENT ONE

Amendment One - if passed, would create the Texas Rail Relocation-Improvement Fund within the Texas Department of Transportation. A fund controlled by the five-member Texas Transportation Commission. These gubernatorial appointees will be empowered to sell state-guaranteed bonds, to "relocate and improve privately and publicly owned passenger and freight rail facilities."

Reason for this amendment (according to supportive lawmakers): "To relieve congestion on public highways, enhance public safety, improve air quality, and expand economic opportunity."

Fact of the matter is the railroads in Texas are generally doing a "lousy job" providing service to our citizens. And they get away with it since they are **basically unregulated, and own the right-of-ways**. Resultant attitude has been: "If you don't like the way we run our railroads - tough!"

State officials cannot force railroads to move their lines, to decrease (for example) the danger of routing trains through densely populated areas, other than using tax dollars to pay rail companies to make such moves, which is nothing more than "political bribery!"

And that, according to an appropriate truism, is "a crazy way to run a railroad," or deal with any other commercial problem.

Those favoring Amendment One, claim that if railroads relocated their lines, they could do a safer and more efficient (and profitable) job, with less need for trucks. That in turn would reduce traffic congestion and move goods faster. And, the former rail right-of-ways could then be used for commuter lines or highways.

Opposing Amendment One are those who believe the private sector should be responsible for the improvement and relocation of railroads. And since railroads are unregulated, the state should play no part in that industry's investment decisions.

We need to think carefully about this amendment. Not that it might not work in principal - but there's not enough teeth in the proposal to protect Texans from ill conceived give-aways to railroads, who have been historically notorious when it comes to taking - without reciprocation.

Recommend Amendment One be defeated, and urge lawmakers take another crack at creating a better amend-

ment on this subject. One that's less hazy and more cost-effective, especially for taxpayers who must foot the bill.

AMENDMENT TWO

Amendment Two if approved, would ban same-sex marriages. Few items in today's society are able to ignite more intense feelings among the electorate than this particular issue. It will undoubtedly create a large voter turnout as compared to the average nine percent participation, racked up in recent years, concerning constitutional changes.

It is actually illegal, in Texas, to issue a marriage license to persons of the same sex (Defense of Marriage Act, 2003). Why this additional measure is needed to buttress a state statute speaks to the emotions generated by this matter among many who honestly fear the dissolution of the family, versus those who believe in equal marriage rights for folks of all persuasions - religious, moral, sexual, social.

Proponents of this amendment believe putting this "ban" in the State's Constitution will prevent future legal challenges to our marriage statutes. Opponents claim the measure discriminates; is vague; unnecessary; and removes the equal protection clause in our laws.

Additionally - this amendment provides for appointment of guardians or agents, through the use of private contracts, to arrange rights relating to hospital visitation; property; and entitlement to proceeds of life insurance without the existence of any legal status - identical or similar to marriage.

It is recommended this amendment be approved.

AMENDMENT THREE

Amendment Three is an outgrowth of a burning desire by political subdivisions throughout Texas to give away tax dollars to enhance economic development. Our constitution originally prohibited the State, as well as cities, counties, and other taxing entities, from lending or granting public funds to individuals, associations or corporations.

That rule was later amended when local governments demanded (and secured) permission (from voters) to give away services and tax abatements to enhance economic development. That amendment was recently challenged by a lower court ruling that held: **Giving away long-term tax breaks (and services) creates an "unconstitutional debt."**

Amendment Three presumably clarifies (and reaffirms) the "challenged" section of the Constitution, and would (if passed) permit the use of ad valorem taxes to be used as "long term" giveaways - not only services and tax abatements, but grants of money and/or loans to entice businesses to expand or relocate.

Allowing the State or local governments to give away tax dollars, tax abatements and/or services, secured by long term debt (and underwritten by ad valorem taxes), is bad public policy, despite the continuous barrage of publicity from economic development proponents.

It unfairly forces property owners to pay more than their share of taxes, due to tax-revenue losses caused by abatements, inducements and subsidies.

Amendment Three needs to be defeated, and elected officials reminded they're supposed to be watchdogs of tax dollars - not "free-spenders" of the other fellow's money.

That's -30-

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Texas Schools: The Facts

Superintendent's Corner

By Robin Battershell

In the most recent Intercultural Development Research Association newsletter the following facts were listed. As the Texas Supreme Court readies to deliver a verdict on the state of funding for Texas public schools, these facts are worth noting.

There are 1,041 school districts in Texas with 288,386 teachers.

Texas has 4.2 million public schoolchildren, with 52 percent classified as economically disadvantaged and 15 percent as English language learners.

About 60 percent of students are considered racial or ethnic minorities.

There are 134 high-wealth districts that serve about 500,000 students. The remaining 897 districts educate about 3.7 million students.

Annually, about \$30 billion is spend on Texas public schools, with about \$12 billion coming from the State, \$1 billion from the federal government

and \$17 billion from local taxes.

In 2002, business paid about 44 percent of school property taxes, residential properties paid about 40 percent and undeveloped land paid about seven percent.

About \$91 billion in property value is lost because of exemptions for timber, agriculture and wildlife management.

About \$238 million is lost through a legal loophole that allows major corporations to avoid paying the franchise tax.

If recapture is eliminated in a new funding formula, \$1 billion will be lost.

If school property taxes are cut in half, \$8 billion in revenue will be lost.

\$3.2 billion in revenue would be lost by cutting property taxes by 17 percent.

A one percent increase in the sales tax would raise \$1.9 billion a year.

I will address the impact of the above facts at the local level in the next column.

Auxiliary's hard work remembered and applauded

Your Voice

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Another successful Christmas In October is in the history book. It is good to see all the people working to put it together. If you have not been involved, you can't imagine the hours of planning, meetings, work in dusty buildings, climbing ladders, gathering trash and on and on, it takes to open for the Preview Party. Then, they work on Friday and Saturday and it's still not over because everything has to be put back, like nothing ever happened. "Salado" stands for history and Christmas in Oct. is no exception.

The Auxiliary of the chamber had its' first President in 1974. I became involved as soon as I moved to Salado in 1977. The first events were held in the "old" Longhorn Room and "old" Stagecoach Club." It was a one day affair moving out the existing furniture and transforming the rooms into a Christmas fairylad of Christmas trees and scenes. The bake sale and handmade items were in the Longhorn Room. The spaces were available to

us at 4 p.m. Wednesday and all had to be transformed again at 5 p.m. on Thursday. I only wish we had those times on video!

The refreshments were served on crystal with many ladies, in a small kitchen, washing and drying. The Ladies Auxiliary set the standard that many have followed for similar events.

The trees and displays were done by individuals in Salado showing their collections from travels. It was amazing to see how unique the people living here "put it together".

We cannot forget the husbands who helped through the years. We appreciate the merchants who do so much to make us look good. They were smiling about the crowds that were in Salado for the event.

The ladies who have baked for years for our Bake Sale are wonderful. Every piece now graces someone's table.

All the effort and money goes right back into the community.

Thank you Salado!
Doris Denman

FORUM

Return to flight and return to leadership

Recently, an anxious nation watched the Space Shuttle Discovery return our nation to flight, and many relaxed their vigil only when Commander Eileen Collins called out "wheels stop" on the runway at Edwards Air Force Base. This first post-Columbia flight was extremely valuable and successful.

The mission also made it clear that NASA's approach to launch decisions, making important mission and safety-related decisions, and its ongoing public accountability have also evolved. NASA is in transition with a new vision, new Administrator and new environment. After the Columbia tragedy, some said America should abandon manned missions. This would mean the U.S. would never finish the International Space Station (ISS), would abandon our commitment to international partners and cede the research and security prowess that has defined our nation for 50 years.

Too many risks have been taken, successes achieved, new technologies developed and historic moments created to weaken our commitment to retaining our nation's space preeminence. Brave astronauts have sacrificed their lives for the future of space exploration believing it is essential to our country's future.

As we explore the unknown, the information gathered millions of miles away and work done to prepare and conduct space-based research has direct and positive applications in our daily lives. Technology invented through space exploration is used in hospital cardiac care units. Scientists have developed new chemotherapy treatments. Space technology has led to the production of air bags that save lives everyday. Devices firefighters used to cut through exposed steel at ground zero following the September 11 attacks were the outcome of shuttle technology. New oxygen regulators helping firefighters breathe safely were invented based on research conducted on the ISS. These are just some of many examples of added

Capitol Comment



Kay Bailey Hutchison



benefits our investment in space exploration has provided us.

Those benefits will only multiply as we proceed with research planned for the ISS. In order to complete the assembly of the research station, we must be able to continue to fly the space shuttle, which is the only vehicle capable of carrying these heavy pieces.

The U.S. has invested over \$25 billion to develop and maintain the space station. Our scientific and international partners have also made large investments in the ISS over the past 16 years. It would be regretful for this nation to fail to meet our international and scientific commitments by turning away from completion of the ISS at this point. Too many resources would be wasted and too many potential discoveries lost.

Clearly, we need the research about the effects of long-term exposure to the space environment on humans done on the ISS to prepare for the return to the Moon and eventual missions to Mars. That research provides knowledge and helps us understand and also treat common medical problems of a similar nature, such as osteoporosis, muscle atrophy and bone demineralization.

Developments evolving through current research being conducted on the ISS include an advanced diagnostics ultrasound which can assist with diagnosis of bone marrow loss and muscle atrophy. Autonomous robotic arms have been developed which can be applied to fields ranging from human-collaborative medical surgery, physical therapy, rehabilitation and emergency response to chemical, biological and nuclear materials.

Over 80 such experiments have already been conducted aboard the ISS or are underway -- showing real results

with direct application to improving life and health for all of us on Earth.

I have passed legislation through the Senate to ensure the maximum return on our nation's investment in the ISS by designating the U.S. portion as a National Laboratory Facility. This designation provides a mechanism to identify creative ways in which non-NASA participants can join the space station research community and potentially bring non-NASA funding and expertise to help support and sustain the ISS as a functional laboratory.

The ISS can be the vehicle for increased cooperative research activities between the National Institutes of Health and NASA, between University-based consortia and both commercial and international research partnerships. These new assets can enable NASA to concentrate its limited resources on pursuing the exploration of the Moon and eventually Mars.

The number of nations with human space flight capability is growing. Recently, China launched its second manned flight into space. If we stall, we risk relinquishing our leadership role in space exploration. This will affect our capabilities in science, technology and medicine.

NASA's investment in engineering, science and mathematics helps the U.S. compete with foreign countries and is key to ensuring our nation's future will be prosperous and secure. Even more, our willingness to support space research will determine if we will have the most capable military in the world through the 21st Century.

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX), Chairman of the Senate Commerce Subcommittee on Science and Space

Rewards and punishments Bush-style



Jim Hightower

So long, Larry - we hardly knew ye.

Actually, Larry Greenfeld was not known at all by the public, and very few of us ever heard of the small federal agency he headed, the Bureau of Justice Statistics.

BJS is a low-profile office that grinds out dozens of statistical reports every year on crime, drug use, police performance, etcetera, and is known for being independent, straight shooting, and non-partisan.

But that was then. The current White House has become notorious - even by Washington standards - for doctoring, censoring, and otherwise tampering with the facts, science, and the findings of official reports. But who would've imagined that its long political arm would reach all the way to the obscure BJS?

It happened in April, when Greenfeld's office routinely submitted a draft press release to Tracy Henke, the assistant attorney general who oversees BJS. The release announced the results of a statistical study on traffic stops by police.

It showed that while all races of Americans were being pulled over at about the same rate, Blacks and Latinos were searched and subjected to force three times more frequently than whites.

The White House did not want to hear this, so Henke edited Greenfeld's release, simply crossing out the parts about the searches and use of force, leaving only the cheery part about everyone being stopped at the same rate. However, Greenfeld, who had a sterling performance record in his 23 years at BJS, balked. He said that Henke's changes would make the release misleading and dishonest. No problem, said Henke, we'll just kill the whole press release! So the report received absolutely zero media coverage - effectively suppressing the bad news that it contained.

For his act of honesty, Greenfeld was demoted. For her act of political censorship, Henke was promoted - she's been nominated to a senior position in the Homeland Security Department.

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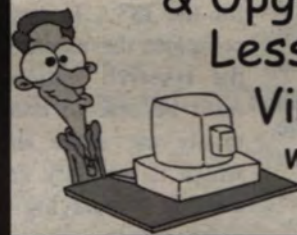
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Timothy Hart Hodgkin

Hodgin receives SEF scholarship

Timothy Hart Hodgkin, son of Judy and Jim Hodgkin, received the Benton Ewton Memorial Scholarship through the Salado Education Foundation.

Hodgin is a 2005 honor graduate of Salado High School. While at SHS, he played varsity football, was a class officer his freshman and senior years, and was a member of Fellowship of Christian Athletes and the drama club. A cast member of the UIL one-act play for four years, he was awarded the District All-Star Cast award and District Honorable Mention award. He was also a member of the state-winning UIL academic team for three years. He is a member of the Salado United Methodist Church.

He is currently attending the University of Texas at Arlington and will be

transferring to the University of Texas at Austin next fall, where he plans to major in film studies.

The annual Chisholm Trail Cattlemen's Ball is the primary fundraiser for the Salado Education Foundation's scholarship program. It will be held at Tenroc Ranch again this year at 6 p.m. Oct. 22. Tickets are \$75 per person and are available by calling 947-5050 or 947-5479, ext. 7005.



Danielle Danford

Danford nominated as National Scholar

Danielle Danford, of Salado, has been nominated to represent the State of Texas as a National Scholar at the National Young Leaders Conference in Washington D.C. This award is based upon scholastic merit and leadership ability, placing her in the top one percent nationwide of all high school students. Various dignitaries including members of Congress as well as national journalists will be speaking at this week long conference.

Danielle is a junior at Salado High School, and is enrolled in classes at Temple College. She is a member of a competition dance team as well as participating in Salado UIL Academics. She is the daughter of Mark and Melinda Danford, of Salado.



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Kick up your feet in Salado Nov. 12-13

Much American music recalls melodies that once reverberated off the mist-covered mountains and thundered through the shadowy glens of Scotland. And it all comes to Central Texas this fall when the prairie will pound with the fury of ancient tunes while the dancers kick up their feet at the 44th annual Scottish Gathering of the Clan in Salado Nov. 12-13.

The festival provides a peerless opportunity to come into contact with some of the finest musicians and dancers of their type in the world.

The highland dance competition, which regularly attracts world champion-class performers, will be coordinate by Donna Cusack. This highly athletic dance contest will feature continuous performances at the Highland Fling, Scottish Hornpipe, Sword Dance, Sean Triabhas and the Lilt.

In Scotland, Highland Dancing was once an athletic event and many of these dances require performers to be in top physical shape to perform them. Some of the dances date back to ancient rites in celebration of marriage, victory, defeat, joy for the living or lament for the

dead.

There is no sound like that of the bagpipes, one of the oldest instruments in existence. The classic music of the great Highland bagpipe is known as the Piobaireachd. This music can be mournful or exultant, but always has a spirit of grandeur. This is the "Great Music" that is used to welcome the chief's new heir into the world or to mourn the passing of the warrior. Individual pipers will be judged on the tone and tuning of the pipes. Timing, expression and executions of the movements are also important.

Salado's bagpipe and drum competition will feature categories for individual pipers and drummers as well as for bands.

Previous bands participating have included the host band, St. Thomas Episcopal School of Houston (former winner of the Juvenile World Pipe Band Championship) under the direction of Gold Medal piper Mike Cusack; the Silver Thistle Pipes and Drums of Austin; the Black Bexar Pipe Band of San Antonio; The North Texas Caledonian Pipe Band; and many others.

Renowned Piper Rose Adams of San Antonio will chair the piping com-

petition. Dennis Michels of Lubbock will serve as Drum Major during the opening and closing festival parades, featuring the massed pipe bands. Others judging using rules of the Eastern United States Pipe Band Assoc. will include Ian MacDonald, Robert Richardson and Patrick Regan.

Individual drumming competitors are judges by the introductory rolls, tone of drum, tempo, execution, rhythm and expression of quality and variety of beatings. Drumming contestants are always accompanied by one or two pipers.

Brent Caldwell will chair the drumming competition. Assisting with judging will be four-time world champion drummer Blair Brown. Brown won the World Pipe Band Championships in 1995, 1996 and in 2001. He was World Drum Corps Champion in 1999, Australia Pipe Band Champion in 2001 and North American Pipe Band Champion in 2002. He and Caldwell will offer a drumming workshop during the festival.

Featured folk performers at the family-oriented festival will include Arthur Gordon Mason and the Dram Beauties. Ma-

son, a native Scot now living in Houston, has been a long time regular at the Gathering. He will once again perform songs that have made him one of the premier Scottish Balladeers in the South. The Dram Beauties bring extensive choral backgrounds to the much loved "old songs" ... the ones that grandmothers taught their granddaughters about the Isle of Skye, Bonnie Prince Charlie and other interesting characters and legendary places. Also appearing for the first time will be David Sparks, formerly of Ft. Worth's Blarney Brothers.

In addition, can purchase tickets for special performances by some of the top festival talent, including contest winners, appearing at the Ceilidh (pronounced kay-lee) at 3 p.m. or the Tatro at 5:30 p.m., Saturday on College Hill. Cost for either event atop the romantic ruins of the old Salado College (located off Main Street behind the Stagecoach Inn) is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children.

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The Village of Salado received seven percent more in sales tax rebates this month than it did in October 2004. The Village received a check of \$22,002.90 last week, compared to \$20,544.88 last year.

So far in 2005, Salado has received \$262,921.70, which is about six percent more than the \$247,094.16 received through October 2004. The Village of Salado levies a one-percent local sales tax.

Salado's payment matches the pace of most Bell County cities, which totaled \$2.6 million in sales tax rebates in October, except for Belton, which received a payment of \$205,175.30, which

is 21 percent more than last October's payment of \$169,447.96.

The Salado Public Library District, which levies a half-cent sales tax, collected a check of \$14,441.73 last week, which was almost 14 percent more than the \$12,703.70 paid in 2004. For the year, the Library District has received \$167,468.10, which is almost nine percent more than the \$154,111.33 received through October 2004.

The County is running more than 10 percent ahead of last year on the rebate it received for its half-cent sales tax; it was paid \$887,948.01 this month and \$807,178.21

in October 2004. For the year, the county is 12 percent ahead: \$9.5 million compared to \$8.5 million in 2004.

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn sent \$363.5 million in monthly sales tax payments to Texas cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts, up 11.3 percent compared to last October. So far in 2005, local sales tax allocations are 7.8 percent ahead of last year.

September state sales tax collections and October allocations of local tax revenue represent sales that occurred in August. Since Hurricane Katrina struck the Gulf Coast on August 29, and Hurricane

Rita struck on September 24, these sales tax figures do not reflect the impact of the two storms. The impact will begin to be seen when businesses report their September sales tax to the Comptroller later this month, and November sales tax allocations are sent to local governments.

The double-digit increase in tax revenue in the October report can be credited to the continued strength of the Texas economy, notably the mining and construction sectors, and reflects the three-day Sales Tax Holiday that annually packs stores with Texans and out-of-state shoppers who splurge on taxable items along with tax-free clothing and shoes.

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Lexington takes win, 25-19

Eagles allow last-second TD

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Not again.
Not like this.
For the second straight game, the Salado Eagles have given up a long drive in the waning seconds to see a slim lead disappear, this time allowing the Lexington Eagles to drive 64 yards in 56 seconds to hand Salado its second straight district loss, 25-19 on Oct. 14.
Lexington took only seven plays to drive from their own 36 yard line, peppering the Salado secondary with passes of 12 yards and 21 yards. The first pass of 12 yards from Chase McCravey to Tracey Crawford came on a fourth down and 11 to go with 1:11 left to play. McCravey had missed two receivers earlier in the drive thanks to pressure from Salado's

Chance Coe.
After gaining the first down, McCravey hit Corey Lewis for 21 yards to move the ball to the Salado 32 yard line. Lewis then took a pitch outside the defensive end for 19 yards to the Salado 13 yard line.
With just seconds left in the game, McCravey took the snap on a quarterback draw through the middle of the Salado defense to score from the 13 yard line with 36 ticks left in the game. He threw a pass to Jimmy Terrell for a two-point conversion, giving Lexington its final lead of 25-19.
The game was close and contested throughout the 48 minutes, as the hosting Eagles drew first blood, driving 54 yards on five plays in the first quarter. Lexington had pushed the ball from their own 19 yard line to the Salado 35 yard line, where the visiting

Eagles faced a fourth down and four to go. Lexington went for it with McCravey rolling out to throw the ball, but Salado's Austin Smith sacked him for an 11 yard loss to give Salado great field position near midfield.
Salado rushed five straight times on the scoring drive, with Tucker Wilhite taking a second down handoff and reversing field for 26 yards to move the ball to the Lexington 22 yard line. Wesley Ruth ran through the middle of Lexington's defense to get the ball to the one yard line. On second down, he then followed Wilhite's block on the right side of the line for the two yard touchdown a 2:57 in the first quarter. The PAT made the score 7-0.
Lexington quickly answered, moving 67 yards downfield in just two plays.

McCravey, who carried the ball 19 times for 134 yards, got about half of them on second down, shucking a tackle at his knees behind the line of scrimmage before dashing 64 yards for the touchdown with 2:15 left in the first. Lexington tied the game at 7-7 with the successful kick.
McCravey scored the second touchdown for Lexington in much the same way: breaking tackles and needling his way through the Salado secondary. Lexington's Aaron Kleinschmidt intercepted a pass from Wes Ruth at the Lexington 25 yard line and returned it to the Salado 41 yard line to give Lexington great field position with less than five minutes left in the half.
McCravey dropped the ball and fell on it for a 12 yard loss before throwing for an incompletion



Salado's Jesse Rodriguez (15) and Kasey Pruett (53) tackle Lexington's Corey Lewis during the Eagles' 25-19 loss. (PHOTO BY MARILYN FLEISCHER)

on second down. He then needed the Salado defense for the 47 yard touchdown with 3:35 left in the half. The kick made it 14-7 for Lexington, which it remained at the half.
Midway through the third quarter, the Salado defense for the 47 yard touchdown with 3:35 left in the half. The kick made it 14-7 for Lexington, SEE EAGLES, PAGE 7A

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defense stopped Lexington on a fourth down and 13 to go at the Salado 24 yard line, forcing McCravey to throw incomplete as Kasey Pruett and Justin Powell provided pressure and Justin Konzen provided coverage.

From that mark, Ruth turned in his best run of the season -- 73 yards -- to give Salado a first and goal at the Lexington three yard line. A motion call moved the ball back five yards, but Blake Newman moved it back to the three yard line. Ruth twice dove into the line to get the ball within inches of the goal line with 2:16 left in the third.

Within six inches of the goal, Salado lined up in their Hogs formation on fourth down with Jesse Rodriguez and Chris Redman joining Ruth and Wilhite in the backfield. Rodriguez tried to bounce outside the left end, but bobbled the ball and Lexington landed on it at the one yard line.

However, a dead ball offside call against Lexington before the play kept the ball in the hands of Salado, which again lined up in the Hogs formation from mere inches out.

This time, Salado ran straight ahead with Rodriguez diving into the endzone at 2:16. The point-after failed, leaving Salado trailing by a point, 14-13 going into the fourth quarter.

Lexington ate up a chunk of the fourth quarter, driving from the Eagles' own 13 yard line to the Salado five yard before Jimmy Terrell kicked a 22 yard field goal with 6:48 left in the game and a 17-13 lead. The scoring drive was highlighted by runs of 27 yards and 34 yards by McCravey.

Salado took the ensuing kick to the 30 yard line before driving 65 yards to Lexington's five yard line. The drive was set off by a 50 yard run by Ruth and a 20 yard run by Newman. Salado pushed to the four yard line before Ruth was sacked for an 11 yard loss on second down. Ruth lost another yard on third down before throwing incomplete to Justin Whitfield on a fourth and goal from the Lexington 16 yard line with 4:10 left in the game.

The Salado defense gave its best stand of the game forcing Lexington to punt on a fourth down and 20 to go from their own six yard line.

With 2:37 left in the game, Salado took over the ball at the Lexington 32 yard line. The ball moved five yards further away on a motion call before Ruth hit Wilhite, his favorite target of the night, for a 32 yard completion to get the



(Photo by Marilyn Fleischer)

Salado Eagle Austin Smith (45) trips up Lexington's Corey Lewis (21) while Justin Konzen (11) closes in on the running back. Lewis helped Lexington beat Salado by carrying the ball for 19 yards and catching a 21-yard pass during the visiting Eagles' final drive in the waning moments of the game Oct. 14.

ball to the Lexington five yard.

Ruth forced the ball to the Lexington three on first down before diving toward the goal line on second down. Ruth coughed up the ball before crossing the goal line but Slayt Ebeling quickly fell on it in the end zone to give Salado the touchdown with 1:34 left in the game. Even though Salado had two attempts at

the extra point, Lexington muffed the second kick, bringing the score to 19-17.

Lexington needed only 56 seconds of the 1:32 left in the game to take the decisive score on McCravey's 13 yard touchdown run with 36 seconds left in the game to win 25-19.

The last-second win leaves Academy and Lexington at the top of district

with spotless 4-0 records, while Jarrell is alone in third at 3-1 in district and Salado and Lago Vista sit in the middle of district with 2-2 records. Somerville and Florence sit in the basement at 0-4, while Rogers is 1-4 in district.

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JV rolls 40-14

The Salado JV Eagles continued to roll in district play, with the team picking up its fourth win of the season in a 40-14 Oct. 13 blowout over Lexington.

Salado fell behind early in this one on a first quarter Lexington touchdown, but despite the slow start managed to break the game open with 20 second quarter points.

Seth Collins brought the Eagles to within one when he scored Salado's first points of the game on a 20-yard run. The two-point try was no good.

The Eagles went on top to stay soon after when quarterback David Rosenau connected with his favorite target, Stephen Quick, on a 43-yard

touchdown strike. This time Kevin Goodman made sure the two-point try was good, plunging through the line to give his team a 14-7 advantage.

The Eagles would add on more before the half when Patrick Williams sprinted two-thirds the length of the field for his first TD of the game. With the two-point try failing, Salado went to halftime up 20-7.

The boys remained in control throughout the third quarter, with the defense blanking Lexington and the offense putting up another six points, compliments of Williams' second long touchdown run of the night, this time from 50-yards out.

Williams would complete the hat trick in the fourth, and true to his form on the night, he got his third TD not on a goal line plunge, but on a lengthy 40-yard jaunt. Lexington would add one more touchdown in the fourth, but the big plays didn't stop for Salado, as Seth Collins picked off a Lexington pass in Salado's end zone, made a move and took it back the distance, eventually scoring on a 101-yard interception return. Sterling Martin's two-point run would close out the scoring for the game.

"We came out a little sluggish, but we really got things going in the second quarter," said Coach Kory Craddick. "Our kids played hard. They were aggressive, and really wore Lexington down." Craddick also said the entire offensive line gave a standout effort, and Misa Jaimes, Mike Culin, Nathan Sitz, Seth Collins and Blake Heller paced the defense.

The JV will take its 4-2 record into its home showdown with Florence Oct. 20.

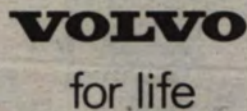
Freshmen

The Salado freshmen went way up in size in taking on Class 5A A&M Consolidated's Freshmen B-Team Oct. 13, and in a back-and-forth game came up just short in the end, losing by a final of 28-23.

This contest saw both teams exchanging touchdowns until the fourth, when Consolidated took an intentional safety then

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The Bell County Blaze 10 & Under baseball team won the Texas Ranger/Dr. Pepper 10 & Under Youth Baseball Tournament, located on the Ameriquest property in Arlington last week. They went undefeated at 5-0. Pictured are (bottom, from left): Mason Marinik, Kyle Heiner, Braden Pearson, Chase Cryer, Drew Van Winkle; (middle, from left) Mark Herrington, Zach Behr, Carlton Rice, Andrew Paysse, Dane Hankamer; (back, from left) Coaches: Brian Pearson, Ty Hankamer, Ron Van Winkle and Johnny Marinik. The Blaze also placed second in the Mr. October tournament in Round Rock.

Volleyballers split district games

Doing their best to close out the season on a high note in Bree Holz' first year as Salado coach, the Lady Eagles volleyballers came through with a four-game district victory over Jarrell Oct. 11. The girls took the match by a final of 26-28, 25-19, 25-14 and 25-11.

This was a team effort, featuring strong play up and down the roster. "We started this match very slowly and struggled early with our hitting," Holz explained. "But once we settled down, our offense really started flowing."

Danielle Hazzard racked up a dozen kills in the match to go along

with 2.5 blocks. Kate Marshall was good all-around, with eight kills, six blocks and four aces, while Shae Janda had 15 assists, and two aces, and Larissa Ingalsbe notched 11 assists and a pair of aces. LeeAnne Ingalsbe was credited with 12 digs, and Lauren Haire had five kills and 1.5 blocks.

Salado found itself engaged in another four-game match Oct. 14 against Lexington, but this time the tables were turned with Salado falling 15-25, 25-11, 14-25, 23-25.

"This match was extremely up-and-down for us," said Holz. "We ex-

ecuted amazing offenses, then turned around and hit four or five balls out of bounds. We just couldn't maintain the momentum, and Lexington took advantage of that."

With a district record of four wins and eight losses, the Lady Eagles will play their next-to-last game of the season, Oct. 21 at Florence. Varsity games will follow the JV game, which begins at 5 p.m.

In underclassmen volleyball last week, the JV beat Jarrell 2-1, while the freshmen blanked Jarrell 2-0. Against Lexington, the JV picked up another win, this time two games to one.

Ervi wins in Liberty Hill

The Lady Eagles cross country, under the instruction of Coach Cindy Mewhinney, has shown perceptible improvement over the course of the season. That trend continued at the Oct. 15 Liberty Hill Panther Invitational, as the girls finished second place as a team, and junior Chelsea Ervi emerged with first place individually.

Salado, in fact, was the only Class AA school to finish among the top, as the ladies were sandwiched between first place Llano and third place Liberty Hill. Burnet, Elgin and Wimberley rounded out the top six.

Ervi's title run came at a time of 12:28, a full six seconds ahead of the second place runner, Liberty Hill's Janet Suarez. Rosie Sierra finished in a tie for ninth at 13:17, while Molly Rooney was 15th at 13:29. Other individual results were: Leigh Martin (tie-22nd), 13:45; Tamra Stanish (24th), 13:57; Kathryn Holdampf (26th), 13:59; Kaleigh Rank (39th), 14:38, and Abby Frazier (53rd), 15:

53. The Salado boys did not quite fare as well as Lady Eagles, finishing eighth out of nine teams. Johnny Kendall was Salado's top runner, coming in 22nd at 17:55. Ryan Clark tied for 35th at 19:05; Sterling Martin was 46th at 20:05; L.J. Little came in 48th at 20:10; Andrew Murray was 52nd at a time of 20:25; and John Perez was 59th at 21:25.

Junior High

The Salado Junior High cross country teams competed in the District 25AA meet Oct. 12 in Academy, with Salado sweeping the competition. The girls finished with 30 points, 18 ahead of second-place Academy, while the boys' 29 points were well ahead

of second place Florence, which totaled 65 points.

Girls individual results are as follows: Lindsay Martin, third; Rebecca Petro, fourth; Connor Smith, seventh; Brittney Frazier, 10th; Caroline Payne, 11th; Lupe Perez, 14th; Alyssa Farrow, 15th; Shelby Cecil, 19th; Coral Fraire, 20th; Kandace Little, 24th; and Ashley Lincoln, 25th. A total of 38 girls ran in the meet.

Boys individual results: Jace Peralta, first (two-time district champion); Garrett Marburger, seventh; Trent Wagnon, eighth; Cody Stevenson, 13th; Michael Perrin, 17th; Alex Lincoln, 18th; Paul Pinkston, 21st; William Cleveland, 32nd; and Daniel McGuffey, 32nd.

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made a defensive stand when the Eagles were driving for the win.

Salado took an early lead in the first quarter when Logan Foster scored on a short, three-yard plunge. Garrett Ward's extra point helped give the Eagles a 7-6 advantage after one.

The game remained close in the second, as Consolidated put up eight points with Salado countering with a touchdown

of their own, coming on a three-yard touchdown pass from Ward to Ryan O'Rear. Ward's point after evened the halftime score at 14 apiece.

In the third quarter, Ward took the ball from 12 yards out and found the endzone. His successful PAT put the Eagles ahead 21-20 going into the fourth, but the lead would be short-lived.

Consolidated would find the endzone once

more, and with the two-point conversion went up for good, leading to the game's 28-23 final.

Defensively, Patrick Prince, Jon Spinks and Clayton Whitmire all had strong games, while Ward, Foster and Tyler Wright played well for the offense.

Following the tough loss, the 3-4 freshmen Eagles will travel to Class 3A West Oct. 20.

Masonic Lodge to host annual Chili Supper

Salado Masonic Lodge will host its annual fall Chili Supper 5-7 p.m. Oct. 28 at the Salado Intermediate School.

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Beauty from Ashes theme of Fall Retreat

The Women's Ministry of Salado United Methodist Church will host a Fall Retreat on Oct. 29 at the new Multipurpose Center on Royal Street.

Guest speaker, JoAnn Barron, has shared her testimony of deliverance around the world, traveling to countries in Asia, Africa, Europe, Central and South America.

Her talk, "Beauty from Ashes: Scriptural Lessons for Life and Marriage", comes from Isaiah 61:3 and is a testimony of her life.

Ladies of all ages are invited.

Admission to the Fall



JoAnn Barron

Retreat is \$12 in advance and \$14 at the door. The program begins with brunch at 9:00am and concludes at 11:30am. Reservation forms are available in the church office. Please be sure to request nursery registration if needed.

Registration deadline is Oct. 24. For details, please call 947-5482.

Armstrong Community Center holds annual Halloween Carnival

The historic Armstrong Community Center will hold its annual Halloween Carnival Oct. 22. The event is open to the public beginning at 6 p.m. at the community center which is located on Armstrong Road in Belton.

The main event include: Bingo for prizes donated by local merchants, and old-fashioned cake walk, a silent auction, games and costume contest for the kids, a quilt raffle and concessions of barbecue sandwiches, sausage wraps, homemade goodies

and more. The evening will include family fun with community friends. This event is the community's primary source of operating and remodeling funds. The community building was once a one room school house and has been renovated for events and family reunions.

The Armstrong Community Halloween Carnival has been a tradition for more than 75 years.

For more information or directions, please call 939-6012 or 939-9245.

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Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.	Youth Choir	6:00 p.m.
Jr. High Huddles	6:00 p.m.	Team Kid (Age 3 - 6th grade)	6:15 p.m.
Sr High Huddles	6:00 p.m.	Prayer Meeting	6:15 p.m.
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G/T meeting Oct. 24

The Gifted and Talented Education Department of Salado ISD will hold its annual informational meeting at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 24 in the Salado Intermediate School Library.

This meeting will be open to anyone in the school district with

a child currently in the GT program, or anyone who would like more information about the current program at all campuses.

The agenda will include information on policies, procedures, curriculum, and screenings and assessments.

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Trunk or Treat set for Oct. 31

Salado United Methodist Church will host its Second Annual Trunk or Treat family community event 5:30-7:30 p.m. Halloween night, Oct. 31, at 650 Royal St.

The church parking lot will be filled with decorated cars packed full of treats. Children are invited to go from car trunk to car trunk to collect treats. Hayrides, dog carts, free hot dogs, and face painting will also be offered.

All kids in the community are invited.

For information call the church at 947-5482.

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Services held for George Rutherford

Funeral services honoring George Lester Rutherford were held Monday Oct 17, at Dossman Funeral Home in Belton with Minister Joe Keys officiating.

The interment service was held at the Salado Cemetery.

George was born in Roxton, Texas the son of Orfa Justin and Ollie Monier Rutherford. He received his undergraduate degree from East Texas State University at Commerce and a Masters Degree in Electrical Engineering from Texas Tech University. He retired from the United States Air Force as a Lieutenant Colonel after 20 years of distinguished service. Following his retirement he worked for the State of Texas as Director of Telecommunications. He was a member of the Salado

Crossed Timbers concert Oct. 30 at Presbyterian

Cross Timbers, a southern gospel group, will perform during services at 10 a.m. Oct. 30 at The Presbyterian Church of Salado.

Crossed Timbers is a ministry of First Baptist Church of Salado and was organized in 1997 from a strong desire to hear more southern gospel music within the church.

Crossed Timbers has sung at many churches and welcomes the opportunity to sing anywhere.

Church of Christ.

George Rutherford is survived by his wife of 56 years, Ruth M. Rutherford, his daughters, Nancy D. Hilton and her husband Robert Nederland, and Candace R. Weylandt and her husband Steve of Houston. His grandchildren Jennifer R. Baker and her husband Reagan of Nederland, Robert Shane Hilton of Nederland, and Taylor R.

Weylandt of Houston and great grandson, Kyler R. Baker. Rutherford is also survived by his brother Orfa Justin Rutherford, Jr. and his sister Mary Ann Friday both of Roxton.

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To the people of Salado -- my patients and friends -- I wish to say "Thank You" for allowing me to realize that dream and for your continued support and friendship. I look forward to many more years of providing dental services to the Village of Salado and surrounding communities.

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Section B Salado Village Voice

October 20, 2005

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Galleries open late Oct. 22

Salado's many galleries offer art for every taste from traditional to contemporary. Art lovers are invited to Salado's Gallery Night 4-8 p.m. Oct. 22 showcasing the work of artists in the eight galleries found throughout the village.

For the occasion, the galleries will be open late for the special viewings. Free carriage rides will take art lovers to each of the galleries, from Wells Gallery, on South Main Street to B. Herd Gallery in Old Town Salado on North Main Street and everywhere in between.

Wine and cheese will also be served by the participating. In addition, each gallery will also sponsor door prizes.

The eight galleries lining Main Street Salado will participate in the Art Trail.

Wells Gallery is located on South Main St., just south of Stagecoach Inn, 254-947-0311, 1-800-995-0311, www.ronniwells.com.

Salado Galleries is located at #1 Main

Street, 254-947-5110, www.saladogallery.com.

Thomas Kinkadee Stagecoach Gallery is located at 406 S. Main St., 254-947-3727.

Prelop Fine Art Gallery is located on Main Street, across from Salado Mansion, 254-947-3930, 1-888-461-2605, www.prelopfineartgallery.com.

Griffith Fine Art Gallery is located at 229 N. Main St., 254-947-3177. Click on www.griffithfineartgallery.com.

Miller Fine Art Gallery is located at 227 N. Main St., 254-947-0771, www.emillergallery.com.

Southern Image is located at 560 N. Main St., 254-947-9478, www.southernimageart.com.

B. Herd Gallery is located at #12 Old Town Salado, phone 254-947-4373 or 1-800-982-8405 or click on bherdgallery.com.

Salado Fall Fling

In addition to the Gallery Night, C.R. and Joyce Pennington invite you to attend an evening of food, beverages, music

and entertainment 8-11 p.m. Oct. 22, benefitting the Longevity Foundation to prevent neurodegeneration and cancer.

The Salado Fall Fling will take place at the Pennington home on Van Bibber Lane in Salado.

Tickets are \$50 per person and can be purchased at Miller Fine Art Gallery, Stanford Court or directly from the Penningtons.

All of the proceeds will go to benefit the Longevity Foundation. To find out more about the Foundation, visit www.thelongevityfoundation.org.

The Penningtons will provide food, beverages and entertainment that will include music from Sam Baker, Walt and Tina Wilkins, music and art from Bill Worrell and Jim Eppler and a feature performance from the Dancin' Grannies from Esther's Follies in Austin.

For more information about the Salado Fall Fling, contact Joyce Pennington at 800-462-5719 or 254-947-0613 or via email: DanceADTS@aol.com.



(PHOTO BY MARILYN FLEISCHER)

Artist Kay Griffith, owner of Griffith Fine Art Gallery, visits with a patron in her gallery. Griffith one of the eight Salado galleries participating in the Salado Gallery Night, Oct. 22.

Empty Bowl project slated here on Nov. 19

The Empty Bowl Project and Pots O' Plenty Show and Sale will be held 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Nov. 19 at the Salado Intermediate School. The Empty Bowl Project raises funds for the Salado Family Relief Fund, a non-profit organization.

Volunteers will serve soup prepared and donated by Salado's restaurants, bed and breakfast inns and cafes. The soups range from hardy to gourmet, a taste of Salado's flavorful array. Served in handmade pottery bowls, the soup lunch is \$12 per person.

For the second year the Public Arts League of Salado (PALS) Pots O' Plenty Potter's Show and Demonstrations. Potters from the Central Texas area will show their clay creations and have demonstrations during the event.

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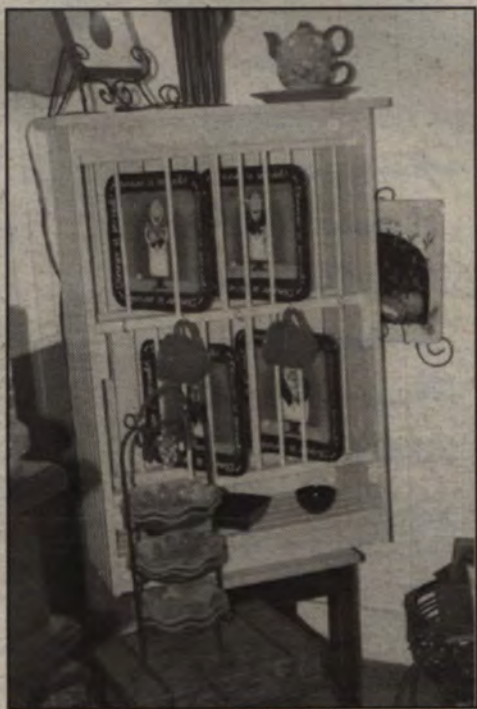
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OCTOBER 20
Cooking Class at The Range: "Low Carb" Cooking. Info: www.therangerrestaurant.com.

OCTOBER 20
Friends Feeding Friends food collection, 8 a.m.-7 p.m. at Brookshire Brothers. Food collected will benefit the Salado Food Pantry.

OCTOBER 21
Salado Eagle football, versus Florence Buffaloes, 7:30 p.m. in Florence.

OCTOBER 21-23
Salado Silver Spur Theater presents the silent movie classic Phantom of the Opera on screen, with live musical accompaniment. Live entertainment also included with every performance. Showtimes: 7:30 p.m. Oct. 21 and 22, 2 p.m. Oct. 22 and 23. Info: 947-3456 or www.saladosilverspur.com.

OCTOBER 22
Rescheduled date for Bell County Chambers of Commerce Golf Tournament at Mill Creek. Info: 947-5040 or www.salado.com.

OCTOBER 22
Institute for the Humanities "Writing Central Texan's Lives" Project; based on the successful "Writing Austin's Lives" project. Lunch/Project overview: 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at the Halley House; Writing Workshop: 1:30-4 p.m. Info: 947-5729 or www.salado-institute.org.

OCTOBER 22
Salado Fine Art Gallery Night, 4-9 p.m. showcasing the work of artists' found in the eight Main Street Salado galleries. Sponsored by Salado Fine Art Gallery Association.

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 24
Salado High School National Honor Society Blood Drive, with the Scott & White Blood Mobile, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. in the high school parking lot. Email sshobe@saladoisd.org or call 947-5479, ext. 1055 to reserve a time.

OCTOBER 24
Salado High School Gifted and Talented Dept. Informational meeting, 6:30 p.m. in the Intermediate School library. Open to anyone with a child currently in GT, or anyone who would

like more information about the program.

OCTOBER 27
Cooking class at The Range: Grilling on the Patio. Info: www.therangerrestaurant.com.

OCTOBER 27
Salado Chamber of Commerce Fall Mixer, 5:30 p.m. at Old Salado Springs Celebration Center. Info: 947-5040.

OCTOBER 27
Salado Area Republican Women meeting, 11:30 a.m. at Mill Creek Restaurant. Program: Issues Facing the Texas Legislature. Info: 947-3617.

OCTOBER 28
Salado Masonic Lodge Chili Supper, 5-7 p.m. in the Salado Intermediate School cafeteria. Tickets: \$5 per person. Proceeds to benefit TAE music program.

OCTOBER 28
Salado Eagle football senior night, versus Rogers Eagles, 7:30 p.m. at Salado Eagle Stadium.

OCTOBER 29
Thomas Arnold Elementary/PTO Fall Festival, 1-4 p.m. at the elementary school. Theme: Under the Big Top. Moon walk, cake walk, fish pond, balloon pop, face painting, ring toss and other activities. Info: 947-5191.

OCTOBER 29
Fall Retreat, sponsored by the Women's Committee of the SUMC, 9-11:30 a.m. at the church. Program, "Beauty for Ashes: Scriptural Lessons for Life and Marriage," given by Joann Barron. Admission: \$12 in advance, \$14 at the door. All ladies are invited. Info: 947-5482.

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.

OCTOBER 30
Salado Volunteer Fire Department Halloween Carnival, 5:30-8:30 p.m. at the fire department. Games, contests, prizes and candy. Costume contest at 7 p.m. Public is invited.

OCTOBER 31
Salado United Methodist Church second annual Trunk or Treat event, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the church. Candy, hayrides, food, face painting. Open to the community. Info: 947-5482.

NOVEMBER 3
Cooking class at The Range: Awesome Fall and Winter Desserts. Info: www.therangerrestaurant.com.

NOVEMBER 4
Salado Eagle football regular season finale, versus Jarrell Cougars, 7:30 p.m. in Jarrell.

NOVEMBER 5
Salado United Methodist Church 10th Anniversary Style Show and Luncheon, featuring fashions from Alice's and Chameleon Clothiers, 12:30 p.m. at the church. Info: 947-5482.

NOVEMBER 5-6
Institute for the Humanities Fall Lecture Series Storytelling Weekend, featuring Elizabeth Ellis, Bill Mooney and David Holt. Storytelling Concert: 7 p.m. Nov. 5 at SUMC's Family Life Center. Members-only event featuring Holt and Mooney: 5:30 p.m. Nov. 6 at the Salado Silver Spur Theater. Info: 947-5729 or www.salado-institute.org.

NOVEMBER 6
Cooking class at The Range: Simple, Fast and Delicious. Info: www.therangerrestaurant.com.

NOVEMBER 10
Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary meeting at the Salado Civic Center, 9:30 a.m. fellowship followed by a 10 a.m. meeting and program. Speaker: Charles Turnbo, author and self-described history buff on "History Mysteries."

NOVEMBER 10
Cooking class at The Range: Fresh from the Sea. Info: www.therangerrestaurant.com.

NOVEMBER 10
Veteran's Day Ceremony at Salado High School. Bricks engraved with the names of veterans will be dedicated outside the high school. Details TBA.

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

NOVEMBER 12
Cooking class at the Friendship House: Chow Down on Chowder. Menu includes Corn Sausage Chowder, New England Clam Chowder and Spicy Mexican Chowder. Time: 10 a.m. Cost: \$50. Info: 947-3136.

NOVEMBER 13
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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 17

Salado Area Republican Women meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Mill Creek Restaurant. Program: Congressional Wrapup. Info: 947-3617.

NOVEMBER 17

Cooking class at The Range: A Texas Style Thanksgiving Feast. Info: www.therangerestaurant.com.

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.

NOVEMBER 22

Cooking class at the Friendship House: Make Ahead Thanksgiving. Two classes will be held, one at 10 a.m. and another at 6 p.m. Cost: \$70. Info: 947-3136.

Nov. 26 & Dec. 3

Cooking class at the Friendship House: Decorate Your Own Gingerbread House. Call 947-3136 for times and cost.

DECEMBER 1

Christmas Parade down Main Street, with Salado Community Chorus concert following. Details TBA.

DECEMBER 1

Cooking class at The Range: Great Holiday Appetizers. Info: www.therangerestaurant.com.

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.

DECEMBER 2-4

Salado Historical Society Annual Christmas Tour of Homes and Historical Log Cabins; 5-8 p.m. Dec. 2, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Dec. 3 and 1-5 p.m. Dec. 4. Info: 947-8300.

DECEMBER 2-4 & 9-11

Annual Christmas Stroll celebration in the Village Salado.

DECEMBER 4

Cooking class at The Range: An Awesome Dinner Party. Info: www.therangerestaurant.com.

DECEMBER 8

Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary 2005 board of directors host the President's Coffee at the Halley House, honoring past presidents and newly elected officers. All current and past members, and those interested in joining, are invited to attend. Info:

Carolyn Milliser, 947-0899.

DECEMBER 13

Mill Creek Community Association Christmas Party and Annual Meeting, at Mill Creek Inn Restaurant. Cash happy hour: 6 p.m., dinner: 7 p.m.

DECEMBER 15

Salado Area Republican Women meeting, 11:30 a.m. at Mill Creek Restaurant. A speaker from Families in Crisis will provide the program. Info: 947-3617.

DECEMBER 15

Cooking class at The Range: Great Winter

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DECEMBER 16
St. Stephen Catholic Church Christmas Dinner.

DECEMBER 19
Music in Salado, Texas, Inc. members only Annual Christmas Party, at the home of Barbara and John Robertson.

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JANUARY 6
St. Stephen Women's Society meeting, with Judy Greene presenting her monologue, "Esther, Woman of the Bible," followed by refreshments.

6:30 p.m. in the church Parish Hall.
JANUARY 15
Salado Wedding and Event Showcase, 1-5 p.m. Exhibitor, Tasting and Bed and Breakfast Tour; 5-6 p.m. reception at the Stagecoach Inn. Admis-

sion: \$15. Further details TBA.

JANUARY 19
Thomas Arnold Elementary/PTO Dads and Donuts morning, 7-7:45 a.m. at the school. Info: 947-5191.

JANUARY 26
Salado ISD STARS Conference, 6:30 p.m. at the Salado Intermediate School. A curriculum showcase, STARS Conference allows students to demonstrate curriculum lessons for parents. Details TBA.

FEBRUARY 4
Salado ISD School Bond election. Polls open 7 a.m.-7 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

FEBRUARY 11-12
St. Stephen's Women's Society Valentine Bake Sale. 6:30 p.m. Feb 11 and noon-1 p.m. Feb.

12 in the church's Marian Room. Everyone welcome.

FEBRUARY 13
St. Stephen's Women's Society meeting. Topic: Women's Health, "Prevention and Early Detection of Cancer," 6:30 p.m. St. Stephen Parish Hall.

APRIL 7
Thomas Arnold Elementary/PTO Moms and Muffins morning, 7-7:45 a.m. at the school. Info: 947-5191.

APRIL 8
Chisholm Trail ABWA Style Show, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Mill Creek Restaurant. Info: 254-947-3617.

APRIL 22
Third Annual Salado Dog Daze, in Pace Park. Details TBA.

Chisholm Trail Chorus concert Oct. 22

The award-winning Chisholm Trail Chorus will present a free concert in Belton's Yettie Polk

Park 5-6 p.m. Oct. 22. The concert will be held in the park bandstand, just to the south of the Central Avenue bridge.

The Chorus is a chartered member of Sweet Adelines International, a world-wide group of women preserving barbershop harmony through education and performances. Under the direction of Belton resident Carol Scherer, the 30-member group will perform choreographed swing tunes, Broadway favorites, and patriotic songs such as "We Are Family," the "Battle Hymn of the Republic," and "Brother Love's Traveling Salvation Show."

The concert is sponsored by the City of Belton, and the Chisholm Trail Chorus is donating this performance to the community. Years ago concerts were held in

Yettie Polk Park with some regularity, but like other small town traditions, the concerts disappeared. Thanks to the recent renovation of the bandstand and its seating, and to the Beulah Land Singers' and the Chisholm Trail Chorus' giving of their musical talents, the concerts are being revived for the fall of 2005. If the concerts prove to be popular and are well-attended, another series of free concerts may be offered in the spring of 2006.

Concert goers are urged to bring a picnic supper (and extra bread for the ducks) to enjoy after the music. Yettie Polk Park, located at the west end of Central Avenue in downtown Belton, has picnic tables and playgrounds for young children.

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9/1	16:35	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/2	07:18	Electrical wiring/equipment problem
9/2	07:58	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/3	19:42	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/4	17:56	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/5	14:38	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/6	09:17	Authorized controlled burning
9/6	09:52	Smoke or odor removal
9/8	00:56	Building fire
9/8	21:48	Oil or other combustible liquid spill
9/10	15:19	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/11	18:56	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/13	20:00	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/13	04:47	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/14	09:19	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/15	11:54	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/17	09:45	Motor vehicle accident w/no injuries
9/17	11:08	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/17	20:51	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/18	16:11	Vehicle accident w/injuries
9/18	23:26	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/20	20:56	Vehicle accident w/injuries
9/21	22:04	False alarm or false call, other
9/22	19:54	Unauthorized burning
9/23	02:15	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/23	11:59	False alarm or false call, other
9/23	18:58	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/23	21:12	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/25	03:48	Motor vehicle accident w/no injuries
9/25	05:45	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/25	17:38	Vehicle accident w/injuries
9/25	17:49	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/25	19:24	Motor vehicle accident w/no injuries
9/26	10:05	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/26	13:51	Authorized controlled burning
9/26	18:49	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/27	08:35	Dispatched and canceled en route
9/27	15:16	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
9/28	14:59	Grass fire
9/28	15:07	False alarm or false call, other
9/29	07:35	Dispatched and canceled en route

September Street & Sign maintenance report

Sept. 3 Blacktop on edge of pavement on Rock Creek and Chisholm Trail
 Sept. 4 Blacktop on edge of pavement on Rock Creek, Chisholm Trail and Royal
 Sept. 24 Repaired a knocked down stop sign and replaced in the ground-Royal
 Sept. 25 Straightened several signs & put up Neighborhood Watch signs
 Sept. 26-30 Bell County was contracted to resurface: Rock Creek, Club Circle, North Ridge, Baines, Royal from Center Circle to Smith Branch and Melissa Court.

REPORTED BY JACKIE MILLS, ALDERMAN

JP Reports Monthly Activity

Justice of the Peace Don Engleking, Precinct 2, Bell County reported 353 cases filed in September. Cases filed have increased by 14% over the month of August.

The cases filed included traffic offenses, non traffic offences, parks and wildlife offences, alcohol related offences, small claims and rental disputes.

The court disposed of 245 cases and collected \$32,040.00 in revenue. This revenue is a combination of all cases filed in Precinct 2.

In addition the court issued 3 arrest warrants, responded to inquest as needed and conducted 4 failure to attend school hearings.



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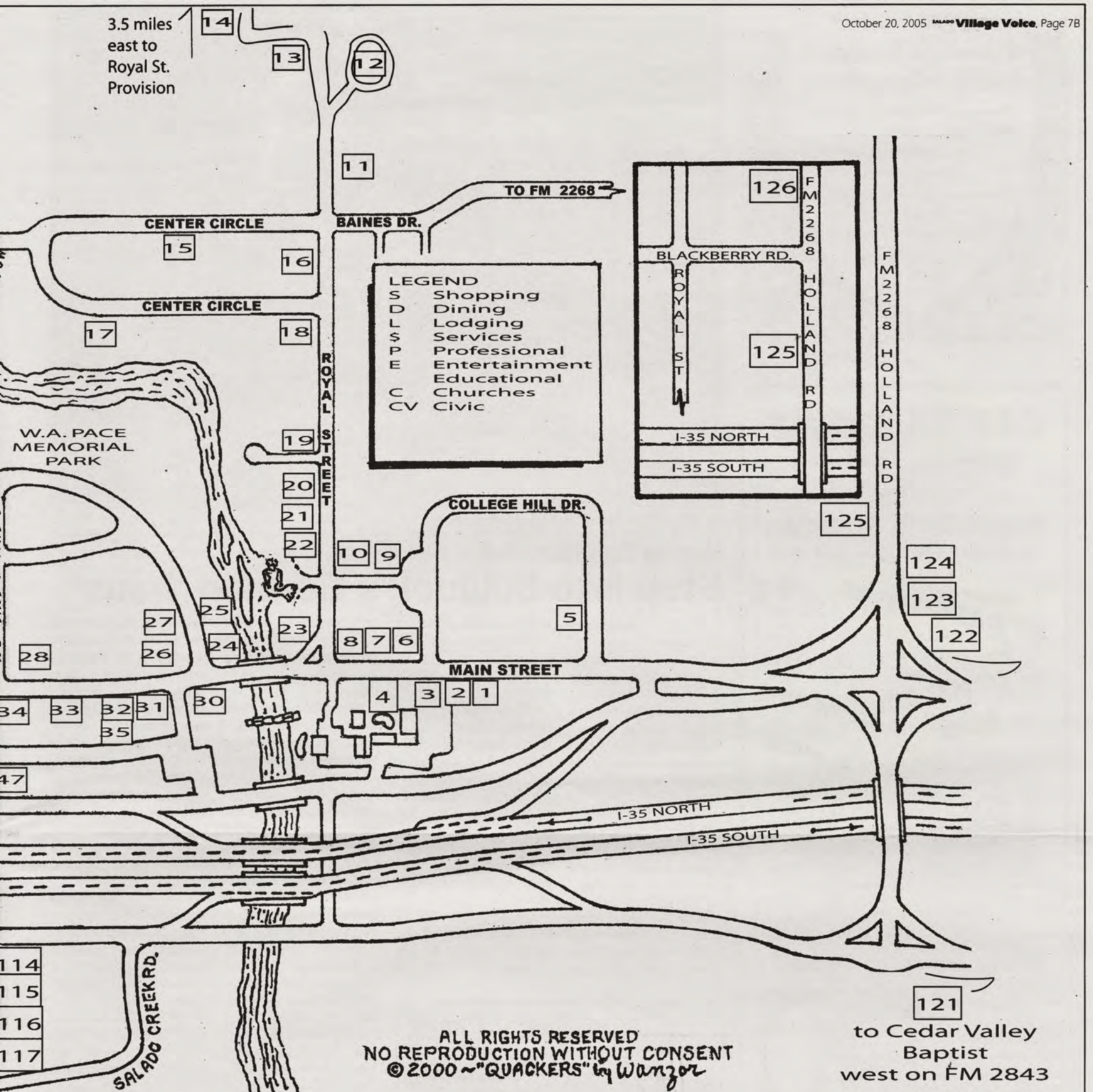
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Homes Tour Dec. 2-4 Step into Scullock's German 'haus'

When participants in Salado Historical Society's annual Homes Tour Dec. 2-4 step into Jan Scurlock's home at 20 Rock Creek, they will step into a German "haus," complete with furnishings and decorative accessories straight from the old country.

The dwelling itself is well-known, built in 1981 by Salado's best-known designer-builder Darwin Britt, from an old granary and assorted materials, almost all old and gathered from abandoned buildings. This is one of numerous Britt-built houses

and commercial properties in Salado, all recognizable by his unconventional, almost exclusive use of old materials.

Of the house's several previous owners, Scurlock probably appreciates it most, if her decorating style is an example. Having lived in Germany for several years, she has brought to this cottage period pieces from that country as well as from Belgium, France and Holland.

Sheep might be a secondary theme of the house's decor, as figures of the docile creatures

greet visitors on the front lawn and paintings of shepherds and their flocks are displayed in every room.

From the porch, enter the living room with a large, dark, deeply carved buffet from Holland, and a German console, its surface laden with figures of dogs, sheep and other animals. Behind the sofa is an Indian screen which, Scurlock said, took six months to make. An Amish rocker and a hunter's cabinet ("German or possibly Belgian") complete the living room.

A small kitchen with stenciled cabinets, vintage pots and pans, old china and embroidered linens is directly behind the living room and looks out on the deck high above the rocky creek that runs behind the house.

A bedroom on the first floor opens off the dining room. An example of the type of materials used when the house was built is seen in the walls made

from wood salvaged from box cars. The vintage bed is covered in old quilts and pillows, most of them handmade in a previous century, probably by German hands.

The second floor reached by a narrow stairway is composed of a sitting room and another bedroom. As with all the house's rooms, shelves with eclectic collections, old, ornately framed pictures and tapestries abound, and everywhere are whimsical touches, reminders that the home's occupant has a sense of humor. Bead board and hand-cut wood form the walls.

This unique one-time granary, erstwhile "mini-tour" of Germany, and original Salado gem is one of six dwellings open to the public and sponsored by the Historical Society during the annual Christmas Stroll. Other homes on the tour include Bishop Claude and Barbara Payne at 617 Indian Trail; Bob and Diane Pascoe, 2001 Indian Trail; Johnny and Jill Shipman, 711 College Hill; Bennie and Wylene Williams, 1430 Robertson Road; and Dr. Robert and Linda Mastin, 2518 Hester Way.

Other attractions on the tour are the City Garage with Dr. Don Ellis' collection of vintage cars; the Salado Silver Spur Theater, owned and operated by Grainger and Penny Esch; the Historical Society's Museum room in the Civic Center; and two historic log cabins owned by the Society.

Tour times will be 5-8 p.m. Dec. 2, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Dec. 3 and 1-5 p.m. Dec. 4. Tickets may be purchased at the Salado Civic Center.

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- 19 Hoffmann creation
- 20 Schemes
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- 23 View a parade?
- 25 Sal of "Giant"
- 26 Parka feature
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- 56 Nest noise
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- 60 Exorbitant
- 61 Any time now
- 62 Hook on a hawk
- 63 Exchange
- 66 Forgo snacks?
- 71 "Say It — So" ('83 hit)
- 72 Pool shot
- 74 Spellbound
- 75 Birth-related
- 77 Japanese dog
- 78 Your neighbor's kids
- 80 Extinct lemon?
- 81 Paris' L'— de Triomphe
- 84 Guitarist Paul
- 85 Antitoxin
- 87 Regular
- 88 Mauna —
- 89 Chemical ending
- 90 Tizzy

- 91 Make the beds?
- 94 State of confusion
- 95 Trickster
- 96 Host a roast
- 97 Mournful poem
- 99 Dieter's dish
- 100 Corday's prey
- 103 Prepare to wrestle?
- 105 Paretsky or Teasdale
- 106 "Well, I'll be!"
- 109 Kuwaiti ruler
- 110 Precise
- 112 Shop till you drop?
- 115 Hawaii's state bird
- 116 Ravi-shing instrument?
- 117 Kid at court
- 118 What i.e. stands for
- 119 Genealogy diagram
- 120 Ward of "Sisters"
- 121 "Its been —!"
- 122 Soprano Fleming

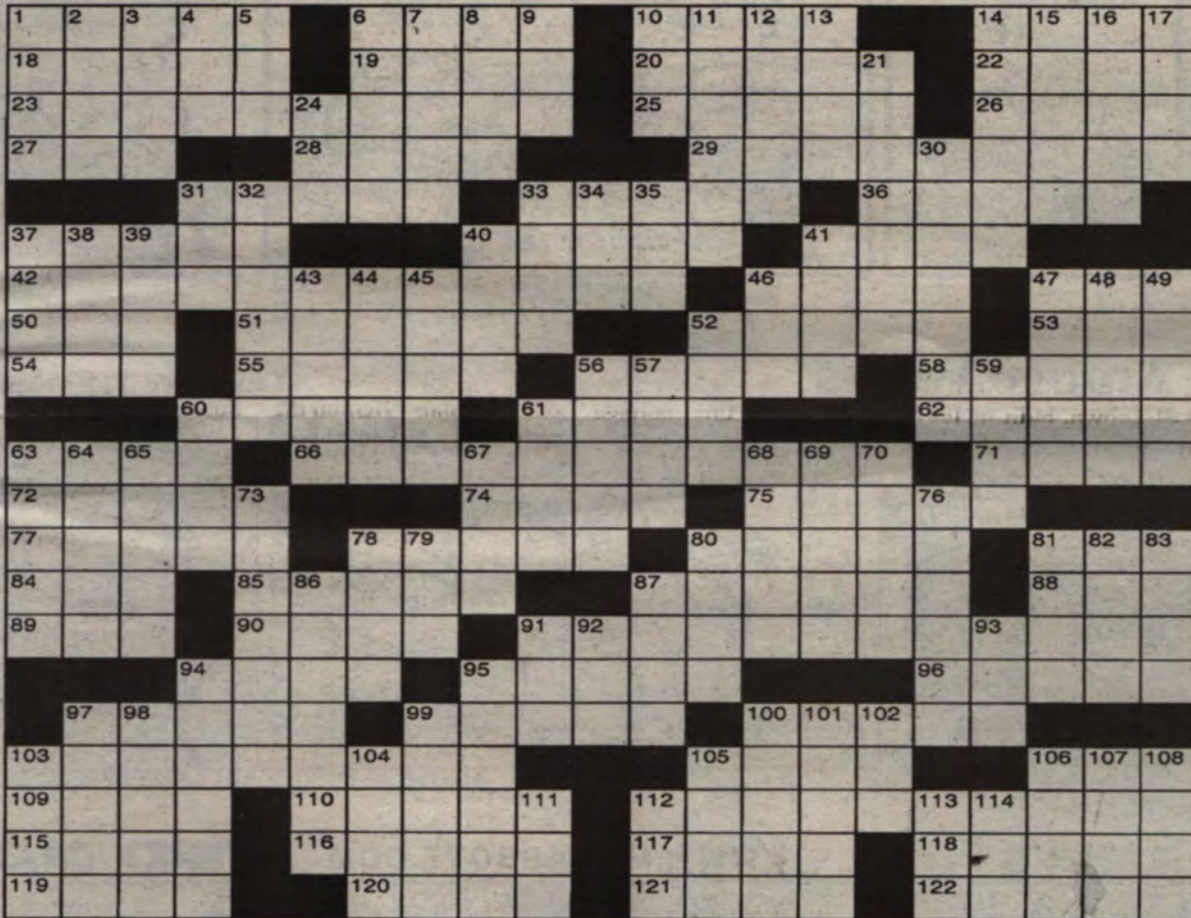
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- 1 Wedding wear
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- 3 "Cheerio!"
- 4 Mythical monster
- 5 "Go, team!"
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- 7 Football's Lavelli
- 8 Designer Gucci
- 9 "Absolutely!"
- 10 Tach meas.
- 11 Bring to light
- 12 Patron
- 13 — aerobics
- 14 Share the mike
- 15 In progress
- 16 Cure
- 17 Converse competitor
- 21 Tofu source
- 24 "— Girls" ('79 smash)
- 30 Feast
- 31 Enjoyed 30 Down
- 32 Vanquish
- 33 Terrier's tormenter
- 34 Rock's — Supply
- 35 Lewis stats
- 37 Out of range
- 38 Ill temper
- 39 Jeddah gentleman
- 40 Singer James
- 41 Pitfall
- 43 Vexed

- 44 Rosey of the Rams
- 45 Silent star?
- 46 Cloth finish?
- 47 Iridescent stones
- 48 Hazardous gas
- 49 Sportscaster Musberger
- 52 Pain in the neck
- 56 Egg plants?
- 57 Owl's cry
- 59 Colorado resort
- 60 Detect
- 61 "Git, Garfield!"
- 63 Prepare perch
- 64 Rouse
- 65 Originate
- 67 Bloomsbury buggy
- 68 Curry country
- 69 Facilitated
- 70 Commando weapons
- 73 Rub
- 76 Gibson of tennis
- 78 Soft cheese
- 79 Furrow
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- 81 Templeton or Baldwin
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- 97 Glue guy
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- 99 Condition
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- 102 Seance sound
- 103 Confined
- 104 Geometry term
- 105 Fawn's father
- 106 Singer Campbell
- 107 Otherwise
- 108 Tivoli's Villa d'—
- 111 Singing syllable
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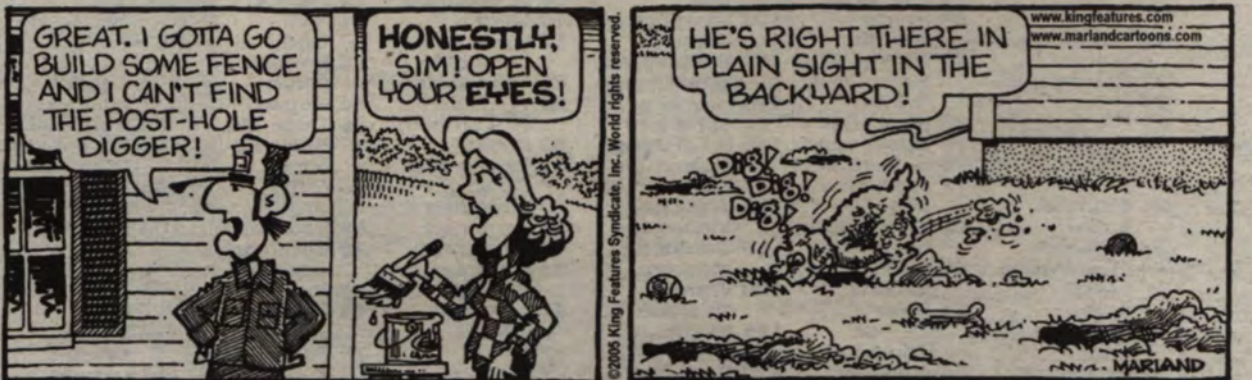
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Winning with Ben Stein's wit and wisdom

When I think of eloquent speakers I think of Churchill and Roosevelt, John Kennedy and Ronald Reagan. My favorite speaker today is Tony Blair, the British Prime Minister. His speech after 9-11-01 is a pattern for all speakers to follow. The other day he gave a speech that resulted in a 20 minute standing ovation. He could hardly leave the room because everybody wanted to shake his hand.

Recently I had the opportunity to hear Ben Stein, a truly outstanding speaker. He spoke at Midland College as part of a distinguished lecture series. When he walked onto the stage, the audience applauded and laughed. Everyone could see he was dressed in a suit and wearing tennis shoes. That set the stage for an enjoyable evening.

Ben Stein was valedictorian of his Yale Law School class of 1970. He

by
Tumbleweed
Smith



is an economist, actor, journalist and teacher. His TV quiz show, Win Ben Stein's Money, has won six Emmys. His appearance in the movie, Ferris Bueller's Day Off elevated him to near-cult status. His columns have appeared in the Wall Street Journal and he occasionally is a commentator on the CBS Sunday Morning program. He appears in TV commercials.

The title of his speech was "Free at Last. What's Right With America." Ben knew his audience. He made everyone in the audience feel special. He told us how smart we were to be living in West

Texas. He talked about small town conveniences and friendliness. He told us about his houses in Los Angeles, New York and Washington and how the people in those big cities were just crazy. He told us he was glad to be out here with some real people who were not crazy. He saw peace of mind on our faces.

Ben mentioned the fact that our area has few trees. But then he said, "Out here, the people are trees. They give shade and comfort."

Ben had a script and followed it. He read most of his speech but we didn't really notice it because

he was familiar enough with the material that he maintained good eye contact. Occasionally he would leave his prepared remarks to tell a story. He told us about the division of political parties, that he had never seen so much polarization. He mentioned the hate that he hears from party loyalists. He spoke of heroes and mentioned the names of some people in the news who are not heroes but seem to get plenty of exposure on TV. He told us movie stars who criticize our country and its leaders are not heroes. Heroes are fighting men and women who are in Iraq and Afghanistan. He reinforced our feelings about American values.

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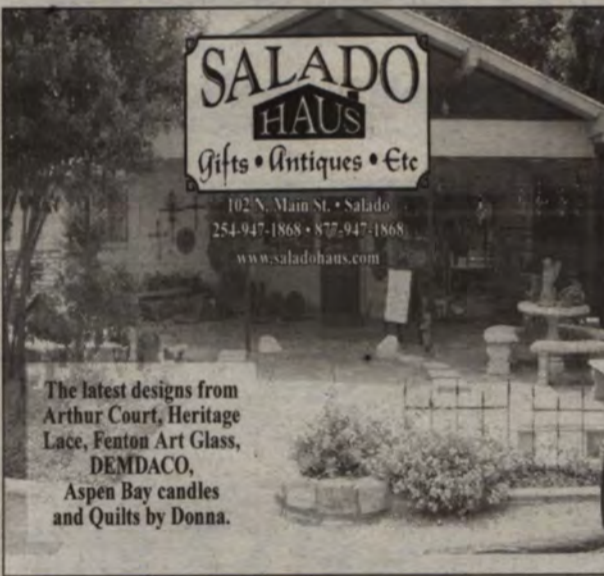


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New test increases early detection

By CHRIS MCGREGOR
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As president and Chief Medical Officer of Biophysical Corporations, Dr. George Rodgers is out to redefine the process of early detection and prevention.

The physicians out of Austin-based Biophysical have recently developed an innovative blood test - dubbed Biophysical250 - that is capable of identifying as many as 200 separate medical conditions - before they become life-threatening.

"What we've been working on for the past year is basically a new approach to health," said Rodgers, speaking to the Salado Lions Club Oct. 12. "We use a pre-symptomatic approach. With it, we believe there's a great opportunity to detect diseases before they become

a problem."

According to Rodgers, the Biophysical250 test singles out around 250 biochemical "markers" in the blood that can identify the early signs of diseases such as cancer, heart disease and conditions like hormonal imbalances. It can also identify some inherent dispositions to certain diseases. As a comparison, Rodgers pointed out that a normal blood test measures approximately 40 biomarkers. Priced at \$3,400, the test is actually economical if one compares the cost of all the tests performed separately, Rodgers stated. "If you were going to do this in conventional laboratories, this would cost about \$40,000," he said.

The test, he continued, would be administered in the patient's home or office by a phlebotomist,

with the samples then sent to the Austin lab. The patient would in turn receive a detailed report on the lab results in approximately two weeks, Rodgers explained. The test itself, which draws around two tablespoons of blood, would take less than an hour.

Rodgers - a summa cum laude graduate of Harvard University and president of the Texas Chapter of the American College of Cardiology - went on to say that the purpose of the Biophysical250 is only to assist the patient's primary physician in assessing and monitoring health. In other words, they "give you the information in a way that makes sense in the context of your own situation. We don't treat," he said.

Because of the newness of the procedure, Rodgers said the Biophysical250 is

not covered by insurers, and that his team has only just begun promoting the test to doctors. Its only availability at this point is in the form of a direct test.

Ultimately, Rodgers said he would like to be able to service patients from across the country from Biophysical's single Austin lab. "The process is so efficient that it doesn't take a gigantic laboratory to do the work. We think we can cover the entire nation from Texas," he said.

But more than that, Rodgers believes the test can go a long way in improving people's health through early detection. "We think this is going to be a very important tool for medicine. With this kind of technology we'll bring about earlier detection, and along with that, better outcomes," he said.

UMHB thriving in NCAA Div. III

Ben Shipp, Athletic Director at the University of Mary Hardin Baylor, addressed the Rotary Club of Salado Oct. 11. Shipp is the first full-time athletic director for the university, but he has a long association with UMHB, having attended as a student and coached the baseball team for 10 years.

He became athletic director, he said, as part of UMHB's transition to NCAA Division III status.

Coach Shipp said that his own philosophy

has grown out of Vince Lombardi's motto of "winning is a full-time thing." Since he came to the university it has built first class athletic facilities, including the new Evonne Lee Tennis Center, and a sports complex near Loop 121 on land that was once a construction materials site. It was built as a park like facility, which saved several trees, and will be used by biology classes for field studies. It includes a 700 seat baseball facility and modern communications

and media space. The university plans to make the complex available for local schools for activities such as tournaments, and they have already hosted state private school playoffs.

The new Mayborn Campus Center is up to date in every way, including a "wellness center" with workout facilities for all students and athletes. The gym has a capacity of 2,500 spectators and allows the old facilities to be available on a full-time basis for intramural

sports. The Mayborn Center has given UMHB the capability to start a Sports Science curriculum which will eventually lead to Graduate Degrees in Exercise and Sports Science.

UMHB no longer awards athletic scholarships, Shipp stated, in accordance Division III status. They have found this has actually enhanced their ability to recruit outstanding athletes because, he explained, there are many excellent athletes that are not offered scholarships by other schools but still want to attend a school where they can compete. UMHB has about 175 students on their football team.

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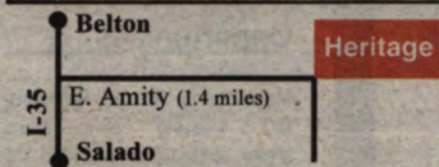
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Lots & Home Sites

Mill Creek Lots

- Fletcher Ct. - \$64,000
- 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
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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 194.
- Denman's Loop: Lot 8, B 19, Sec, 2, \$18,000.
- Terra Bella: 12 estate lots in park-like setting off Armstrong Rd. \$45,000-\$110,000.

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.
- \$79,800: Great location for a Salado business, on 0.925 ac. on Center Circle.



\$392,900: Private wooded setting. Soaring ceilings and stained concrete floors accent this gorgeous 5 BR, 3 BA home. Gas fireplace with slate front & hearth. 2nd living now used as office. All stainless steel appliances convey (2 ovens). Granite counter tops.



\$288,900: Great curb appeal in this Texas Limestone ranch home. Large front and back porches. Many extras including granite counter tops, all tiled bathrooms, kitchen and utility, and claw foot tub in master bath.



\$254,900: Beautiful wood floors throughout downstairs living areas. Recently remodeled home with master bedroom downstairs & three additional rooms upstairs. Kitchen opens up into the living area.



\$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 the golf course and pond. Master BR has beautiful views as well.



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Why is Endangered Species Act important?

Dear EarthTalk: Why do people consider the Endangered Species Act to be the country's most important environmental law when it only protects a few hundred plant and animal species? -- Mark McGrath, Greenwich, CT

According to the latest tally by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), 745 plant and 523 animal species are listed as threatened or endangered in the United States. While these flora and fauna have benefited from Endangered Species Act (ESA) protections, environmental advocates point to the law's far-reaching habitat protection provisions as key to preserving the nation's overall environmental quality.

When a plant or animal is listed as threatened or endangered under the ESA, federal officials must also designate critical habitat "essential to the conservation of the species." Today it is estimated that some 100 million acres of both private and public land across the U.S. are protected by the ESA from new development and resource extraction (mining, oil drilling) because they harbor one or more rare species.

Not everyone is happy with these provisions. Since the ESA became

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law in 1973, property owners have protested that restrictions on what they can do on their own private lands are unconstitutional. With some success, they have taken their grievances to court repeatedly, clogging the judicial system with appeal after appeal. Also, due to all these legal skirmishes, officials at the USFWS, which administers the law, complain of having to devote so many hours and resources to legal battles instead of field work.

Sympathetic to these legalistic concerns, the Bush administration has been pushing for the delisting of some species whose numbers have improved in recent years—including bald eagles, gray wolves and grizzly bears. But critics say that the White House is more concerned with furthering its political agenda than in the welfare of the nation's endangered species.

Meanwhile, House Resources Committee Chair Richard Pombo, a California Republican, has pushed a bill through the House that proposes to limit federal powers under the ESA. One controversial change the bill calls for is removal of many critical habitat designations. Another would require the government to compensate property owners for the costs of complying with regulations.

Recently, some 80 organizations, from the Sierra Club to Republicans for Environmental Protection, signed a letter to Congress urging them to leave the ESA intact. "Of the 1,800 plants and animals under the Act's protection," the letter states, "only nine have been declared extinct, and more than two-thirds of protected species...are moving toward recovery with stable and improving populations."

CONTACTS: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Endangered Species Program, www.fws.gov/endangered; Endangered Species Coalition, www.stopextinction.org.

Gardeners plan NHS sets blood drive on Oct. 24

The Bell County Master Gardener Association, a volunteer program of Texas Cooperative Extension, is sponsoring a Fall Seminar and Plant Sale 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Oct. 22 at the Bell County Master Gardener's Educational Greenhouse, located adjacent to the Bell County Extension Office at 1605 N. Main in Belton.

Seminars include:
 • 10 a.m. -- "Oak Wilt in Central Texas - Biology and Controls" by Bell County Master Gardeners Bob Gordon and Mary Ann Everett

• Noon -- "Greenhouse Construction 101" by Travis County Master Gardener Ron Miller

The seminars will be held inside the Extension Conference Room.

The Greenhouse Construction 101 seminar will demonstrate how to build a temporary greenhouse that you can adapt to fit any backyard setting and comply with any neighborhood deed restrictions. With a couple of friends, a few hours, and basic tools, you can construct a greenhouse to winter over your outside plants...and all this for under \$150. They will hand out instructions on how to build several sizes of greenhouses. Questions are encouraged following the seminars.

The plant sale will begin at 9 a.m. and will be held outside the greenhouse. Master Gardener members will be available to answer questions and give advice concerning horticultural concerns.

Antique and old roses, modern roses, perennials, native plants, herbs, bulbs, vines, grasses, shrubs, trees, pond plants, succulents and houseplants will be available.

Salado High School National Honor Society is hosting the Scott White Hospital Blood Mobile 9 a.m.-2 p.m. on Oct. 24. The Blood Mobile will be in the parking lot of Salado High School.



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