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School trustees learn of possible budget shortfall

by Tim Fleischer
Editor-in-Chief

Salado ISD Trustees learned of a possible revenue shortfall during their April 19 meeting.

The shortfall, which may reach \$165,000, will come in two areas: state funds and local funds.

Superintendent Robin Battershell and Finance Manager Lyndal Cabaniss informed school trustees of the possible shortfall, based upon up-to-date number for the state's funding formula.

The shortfall of state funds will not affect the district's cash flow until August, when the school will receive its final check from the state. At that time, the difference between the estimated funds and actual fund allotment will be decided.

The school will receive a total of \$2,224,045 from the state based on the district projected two years ago for Legislative Paying Estimate (LPE).

The district adopted its budget based on \$2,054,222 in state Tier funding. The budget was based on 7 percent growth in ADA to a refined total of 927.1 ADA.

At present, the refined ADA is 914.9, which may

result in the district earning \$1,990,467 for the school year in state Tier funds.

The difference between the LPE Tier funds (based on predicted ADA figures), paid by the state this year and the earned Tier funds (based on actual ADA figures) will be absorbed in the 1999-2000 school year's budget.

Unless ADA increases in the last six weeks of school, the district will fall about \$65,000 short of what it budgeted for state Tier funds.

The state funding program is based on weighted ADA figures, local property tax base and local tax effort. The complex worksheet to figure state funding is over 10 pages in length.

The state bases its payments to school district on LPE figures estimated two years in advance. This is done so that the state legislature can appropriate its budget every biennium.

Local school boards also estimate their ADA figures for the coming year when setting the district budget for the coming year.

The district may also fall short in its budgeted local revenues.

Local revenues were budgeted on 96 percent col-

lection rates, which is average for the school district.

However, possibly due to the tax rate increase and jump in property appraisals, local tax revenues are slow coming in this year.

At present, the district has \$259,879,80 still due to it in tax revenues, about 10 percent less than the district budgeted for the year.

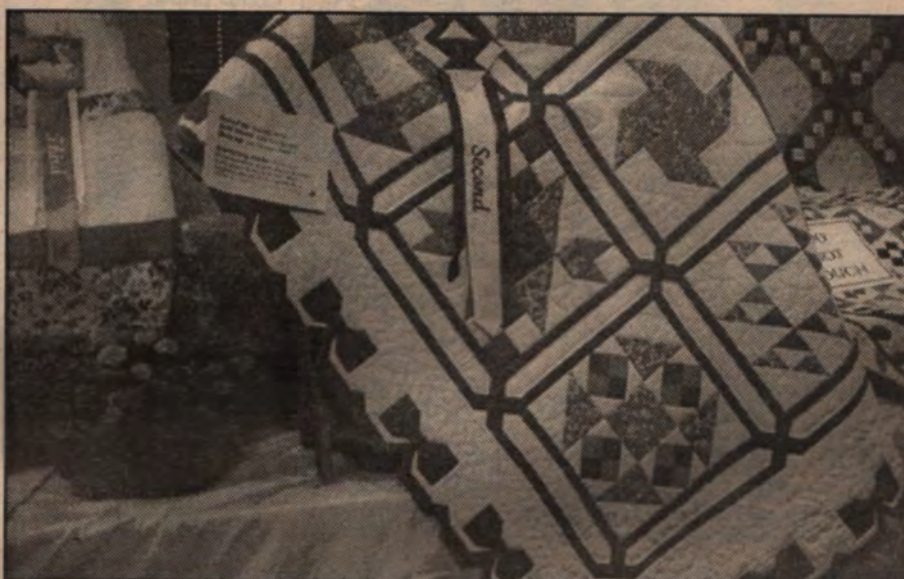
The district budgeted \$2,693,372 in local revenues based on the 96 percent collection rate.

Cabaniss said that she expects the majority of the outstanding local revenues to come in, but said that the district may be short by as much as \$100,000 in local revenues.

Yet, the financial picture may not be as dark as forecasted due to savings in personnel.

When the district set its budget, it included two additional teaching positions, which have not been filled, and an additional salary for the middle school principal this summer. The district filled the middle school principal position without creating an additional salary when it hired Joe Palmer earlier this month.

Savings in personnel expenses will absorb over \$50,000 of the revenue shortfall.



Winning entries in the Third Annual Salado Quilt Show are shown above. The Quilt Show was held this weekend in conjunction with the Spring Craft Show on the grounds of the Salado Civic Center.

The Craft Show featured about 30 crafters who displayed their work under the large tent at the Civic Center. The Quilt Show was held inside the Civic Center. Barbara Pipes chaired the Quilt Show portion of the weekend, while Becky McAulay chaired the craft show portion. The event was sponsored by the Salado Chamber of Commerce.

Photos by
Marilyn Fleischer

Masonic lodge raises funds for local firefighters

Salado Masons will be donning their aprons to go to work for the village during a Fish Fry 2-7 p.m. May 15 at the Salado school cafeteria.

"The white apron of Masonry is known and respected throughout the world," said Tim Fleischer, Master of the Salado Masonic Lodge. "The Salado brothers will don a different kind of apron when we sponsor the May 15 Fish Fry. We will be working for a community by raising much-needed and much-deserved funds for the Salado Volunteer Fire Department.

Salado Masons are sponsoring the Fish Fry May 15 to help the Salado Volunteer Fire Department to place in service a breathing air compressor and cascade system.

Fire Chief Wayne Rutherford said in a letter to the Masonic Lodge that the Salado "department is in the middle of an expansion project to both equipment and the station itself. We are making these upgrades in an effort to comply with the Insurance Services Organization (ISO) requirements in order to help lower insurance premiums in this community. To accomplish this, we have incurred a debt of \$250,000."

The debt will be paid over 20 years, but ties up operating funds the department would otherwise spend on other projects.

One of those projects the Fire Department needs help in implementing is the breathing air compressor and cascade system. The compressor/cascade system will give the SVFD "the ability to recharge the air bottles for the self-contained breathing apparatus that must be worn at all fires," Rutherford stated. "With this will come the ability of this department to ensure the quality of air that the lives of our firefighters depend on, without relying on any other outside department or agency."

The cost to fully implement the system is \$2,500, which is the fund-raising goal of the Salado Masons.

"Raising funds for the Fire Department is just one way we Masons give back to our community," said Tim Fleischer, Master of the Salado Lodge.

Masons will be selling \$5 tickets to the Fish Fry. Tickets are also available at Salado Village Voice, First State Bank and Village Pharmacy.

To order tickets, call the Salado Village Voice newspaper at 947-5321.

Local elections set May 1

by Tim Fleischer
Editor-in-Chief

Salado voters will elect three school board trustees to three-year terms this week.

Voters will also elect two trustees to serve two-year terms on the Salado Public Library District.

Election day polling will take place 7 a.m.-7 p.m. May 1 at the Thomas Arnold Elementary Cafeteria.

In early voting, 172 ballots have been cast in the school board election. Voters have cast 161 ballots in the library board election.

Four candidates have filed for the library board: incumbents Lynn Epps and Susan Shobe, and MaryBelle Brown and Hulda Horton.

Five candidates have filed for election to the Salado school board of trustees: Miriam Ervi,

Myrta Hodge, Lynn Epps, Dr. Robert Merrill and John Konzen.

Following is information about each of the school trustee candidates to help you in your decision.

Miriam Ervi

Miriam Ervi said that the theme of her campaign is, "Responsible taxes for the best education, with zero based budgeting."

She is the owner of U Wag M convenience store in Lexington, Tx. She earned a BA degree in economics from the University of Texas in 1985. Prior to attending UT, Miriam graduated from Odessa Permian High School in 1980.

During the 1997-98 school year, she served as President of the Salado Parent and Teachers Association and currently chairs the Personnel Committee for the Strategic Planning Committee sponsored by the SISD superintendent's

office.

"As a long time resident of Salado with two children attending Thomas Arnold Elementary, obviously I'm interested in the future of our school system. Given the fact the positions available are three-year terms I feel I can have a positive impact on the financial direction the district takes," Ervi said.

"My experience over the last 10 years as the owner of a business has taught me the importance of working within the framework of a budget to create positive results," she added. "Because of this I believe I have the skills necessary to manage the district's budget to provide our kids with the best education possible."

Myrta Hodge

Myrta Hodge says she will be a strong advocate for children attending Salado schools, if elected to See Candidates, Page 10A

FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



Bomb scare hits close to home

Just three days after the Colorado tragedy, I read of a bomb scare in my old Alma Mater.

Students were evacuated from Copperas Cove High School for two hours Friday afternoon when the school received a bomb threat over the telephone.

Reading about my Alma Mater got me to thinking about how much has changed in the short time since I was a Bulldog.

First, the biggest bomb threat we ever faced was water bombs from seniors in the last week of school.

Second, we didn't like each other anymore than kids like each other now. We had just as many cliques at the high school then as there are now.

We had groups based on race: Chicanos, Blacks, Koreans, Vietnamese, Whites, and Wannabees. The Wannabees were white or Asian kids who talked, dressed and acted like the Black kids or Chicano kids.

We had groups based on what you did after school. The brains, the nerds, the stoners, the ropers, the punks, the Bible thumpers, the preppies, the metal heads, the socs, the rich kids, the poor kids and everything in between.

We had groups based on what you did during school. We had the jocks, the

Digressions

by Tim Fleischer



newspaper geeks (of which I was one), the drama fags (I tried acting in a play but got stagefright), the choir boys, the band dweebs, and so forth.

The social hierarchy at CCHS was truly Darwin's Theory of Survival of the Fittest. Only the strong and the adaptable survived.

While we had the social strata and all the teenage angst of being 'in' or being 'out,' we lacked the explosive violence prevalent today in American schools.

We may have had a few fist fights, but no one ever thought of blowing up the school. At least, if we did, we didn't act on it.

We were children of parents who still respected authority and institutions and who tried to instill that respect in their children.

The generation after my parents learned to question authority. Their children have evidently learned to blow it up.

We've come a long way, baby. Or have we?

Teacher pay hikes & tax relief is trek through never-never land of state school finance formulas

If you thought your recent adventure in filing your 1998 Internal Revenue Service forms was hazardous to your mental health, consider for a moment the serpentine and always torturous route that must be travelled by lawmakers and school officials as they juggle the complicated formulas that try to produce equal dollars for the public schools of Texas.

Added to the biennial mish-mash this year is the related sub-plot being played out in the political drama in Austin that has our Governor, who would be President and legislators, who want to be reelected, trying to divide several billion "surplus" dollars between property tax relief and teacher pay raises.

The Guv has promised both groups what they want - more money, in high hopes that this will all look well on his resume as he begins his primary wanderings leading up to what he hopes will be the presidential nomination next year at the GOP national conclave.

The legislature has not made such grandiose promises and are messing up Bush's master plan to move to D. C., as some split with their boss on tax breaks while giving teachers the lion's share of the dollars.

Politics aside and here's the rub - you can't just take the surplus and give it to schools for a little property tax relief here, and a few more dollars there, for teacher pay hikes. Oh no! That would screw up the sacred mantra that somehow mysteriously distributes money from the state to the local districts.

First off - if teacher pay raises are included in the money coming from the state via current formulizations - the local district is going to have to come up with its share of the raise as well as kicking in local funds to pay for those left out of the pay scheme.

Only teachers and librarians are currently scheduled for increases. No counselors, technologists, social workers, psychologists, teacher aides, secretaries, administrators or support staff members are included in the salary-plan currently under consideration by lawmakers and the Governor.

Certainly a guaranteed method for creating a major morale problem among the teaching and non teaching personnel throughout the school systems in Texas. Another example of the fuzzy thinking by our elected designers of school finance confusion in Austin.

Then, should some of the money be designated for reducing homeowner's property taxes - more trouble could erupt since the less paid by homeowners in school taxes even as a result of a tax break, the less funding the state would later send the schools since current formulas would indicate the district not doing its allocated "fair share".

Only thing that could happen now to make everyone wear a happy face would be to have the lawmakers and the Governor do something out of character, i.e. sensible. Make direct grants or allotments to each school district, of a set amount of dollars, for each teacher and support staff member. No strings. No change in the fouled up formulas that are supposed to equalize funding.

Otherwise - this largesse from the State could easily

Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



Governor wants money for teachers and taxpayers on his record as he prepares to launch a national search for delegates and eventual top nomination by GOPers in 2000.

force a local school district to raise taxes to pay for something that should be given back without penalty. **Only in Texas could the receipt of surplus dollars force taxpayer's to kick in more money - the second time around.**

First being forced to create the surplus and then coerced into paying to receive a share of the money as it comes back home.

This has to be Machiavellian thinking (plotting) at its very best - creating a sort of macabre financial-distribution-dance that lawmakers seem to enjoy but would disable a teeny-bopper trying to do the boogie-woogie.

NUTTY TECH RESEARCH AFOOT

Several nutty profs at Texas Tech got a grant recently from someplace (probably the State), to see what effect fire ants might have on deer and their newborn fawns.

The \$120,000.00 gift to the university really should have been saved for something experimentally important like trying to discover the cure for hiccups or **looking into what makes ivory tower researchers continue to be allowed to receive these funny-money grants when from all appearances said worthies are at least two sandwiches short of a picnic.**

If the college types at Tech don't know what effect fire ants have on baby deer, a simple phone call to any game warden in the state will find these little animals suffering and dying horribly when exposed to fire ant stings.

Now if that is not enough proof - why not have these scientific geeks go out into one of the pens where they have the deer locked up and personally sit down on a nearby fire ant bed for a few seconds!

End of experiment! And at no cost other than severe smarting on the researchers seat - which may be where their smarts are located in the first place.

Ho-hum - just another way to spend our surplus dollars rather than save it or give it back to the poor souls who ponied up the extra bucks in the first place.

That's -30-

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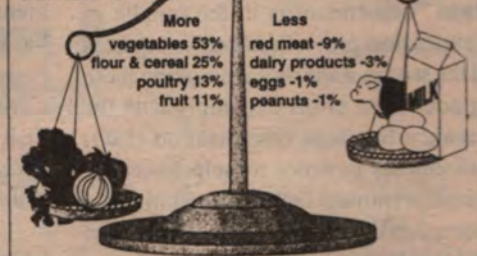
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Keeping an eye on Texas

Texans eat more veggies

A decade ago, consumers ate more red meat, dairy products, eggs and peanuts. By 1997, we were eating 99 more pounds of the major food commodities, but preferred more vegetables, grain products, fruits and poultry.

Percent change in food consumption from 1988-1997



SOURCES: Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (www.tinfo.state.tx.us), and U.S. Department of Agriculture Economic Research Service.

Challenge to be better example

Dear Editor:

The media has given massive coverage of the tragedy in Littleton, CO. Our own little village is buzzing with concern, criticism and judgement. How often this past week have we heard or commented on opinions concerning what should or should not have been done to avoid this tragedy?

The focus has been on kids but what about the adults? How many times have we heard or said "Kids can be so cruel." What message are we sending as adults and role models? Do we always speak of others in a loving manner?

Before church I was advised by a friend who had attended the earlier service to watch my toes. (This would be the morning I chose to wear sandals to church.) Pastor Skip had awakened at mid-night and prepared a new message. A very timely and heart opening message I for one needed to hear. Yes, it was about what happened in Littleton, CO. How words can hurt and how the scars of being "made-fun-of" never go away. The messages kids get from MTV, Rap and the Jerry Springer Show. How in addition to being "different" kids involved in these actions are

smart and have been given lots of things. Perhaps everything but love, guidance, and acceptance.

I am often touched as much if not more by the Children's sermon as I am the morning message. This time it was not as much the Children's sermon as our children. Skip mentioned how one child reached out to help a younger child up after the sermon...from my vantage point I saw the little girl lose her balance and fall backward. As she was falling, one of the older boys quickly reached down, caught her, and lifted her up. In this young man I could see Jesus reaching down and lifting up one of God's children. A beautiful demonstration of loving one another as He has loved us.

As Skip was sharing one of his "Scars" I thought about last weeks children's message how every time we say something unkind we add a nail to Jesus on the cross. Someone shared that we can remove the nail by asking and being forgiven but the hole still remains. Another reminder of choosing our words and actions carefully.

I am always troubled by the influence mass murders like Columbine High have on other individuals seek-

ing revenge. The seemingly desire to do it bigger. In trying to come up with an answer, I am reminded of a poem challenging one to build a better world. The excuse was "I am only one what can I do." The reply was to build a better you.

I feel blessed to live in Salado and experience the caring and love that is here. We have good teachers, good kids and good parents here. Our village is filled with good people and our actions are loving...most of the time. We may not do great things but we can strive to do good things daily.

Until now I have not had children...now I have a whole village full. Let's all set a better example for our children. Let's use our time and talents to support the teachers and parents more in raising our children. Let's all do more to clean up the "entertainment" offered to our children. We are all God's Children...let us love one another as He loves us.

C.J. Harbuz

P.S. I barely touched on the message that led me to write this letter. If you want to hear the message, call the Salado United Methodist Church for a tape.

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- Hulda Horton



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Myrta Hodge

for

SISD Board of Trustees



"I believe anyone who enters the field of education does so because of his or her own love for children. I am running for the SISD Board of Trustees for this same reason. I love children."

- B.A. Degree - University of Mary Hardin Baylor
- Graduate studies in English at Baylor University
- Former teacher of English/Spanish at elementary, junior-high and high school levels.
- Voted Teacher of the Year in 1992 by the Salado Lions Club.
- A past President of Salado Parents and Teachers Organization.
- Currently in car business in Killeen.
- Member of Salado United Methodist Church.
- Married to Claude Hodge.
- Two children:
 - Barry ~ a Pre-Med major at Texas Tech University and named to President's Honor Roll.
 - Diedra ~ a junior at Salado High School and a Varsity cheer leader, member of the National Honor Society.

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Lynn Epps for Salado School Board

I believe...

- academic excellence starts at home!
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- my life long experiences and training can benefit our school district now & in the future!

I ask you to believe in me for SISD Board.

Sincerely,

Lynn Epps

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Moral Dilemma in United States

by Tim Rivers

The self promoters and attention seekers are rallying around Littleton, Colorado like flies buzzing around the dropping of a fetid animal. Rosie O'Donnell, Bill Clinton, Larry King, gun control activist of every ilk, even Texas legislators, anyone capable of setting up a photo op or sound bite rush to promote their unrelated agenda of self interest using the backdrop of tragedy.

There are two issues discussed in this opinion, one is respect and the other is accountability. As humans we all make intellectual choices, we who live under the Constitution of the United States have certain choices guaranteed. Having choices includes accepting responsibility, and accepting responsibility requires accountability. The school children killers' parents are primarily responsible for their own children. Why not arrest the parents and try them for conspiracy or second degree murder or accessory to the crime? Arresting the parents makes as much sense as media fed psycho-babble blaming premeditated murder on

video games, rock music and an intolerant and insensitive society.

If today's great pontificator's of human kind want me to feel responsible for the act of Littleton's child killers, then hold me accountable when my methods prove ineffective. By way of Arkansas, Kentucky and now Littleton, the stylish philosophy of self above all others seems to have its drawbacks. Assaulting the constitutional freedom of the law abiding citizenry will not deter the type of act committed against the school children of Littleton, Colorado. Ensuring that parents are held accountable for the action of their minor children will help deficient parents focus more closely on their charges, or better yet, maybe even think twice about conceiving them in the first place.

The people of America need not be confused from the absolutes uttered by media kings and queens, the events that took place in Littleton are not our fault. You and I are not to blame. These two killers of school children had parents. Society didn't put those boys

in their mothers' womb, society did not nurture and raise them, society did not furnish them with food, clothing and shelter. Society should feel no more responsibility for these boys' actions than we should feel responsible for their conception and birth.

According to FBI statistics, school violence is down in the last six years. Yet, Rosie O'Donnell has used her nationally televised T.V. program to declare school violence an epidemic. If you want to trace an increase in school violence and overall juvenile crime, look from 1964 when school prayer was abolished in this country.

How do we expect young people in society to respect themselves, their parents, teachers or civil authority when we fail to respect a supreme being? Late 20th century politically correct behavior deems God irrelevant and even rude to acknowledge The Almighty with reverence in public, after all this is the age of self. Self indulgence, hedonism, conspicuous consumption and tolerance of inappropriate behavior all lead to a loss

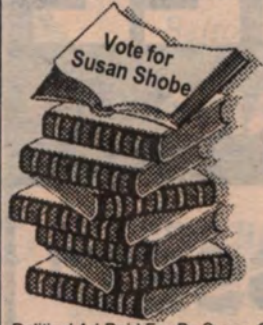
of personal identity and self worth.

As a society we must allow our children the opportunity to acknowledge the existence of God. If not through non-secular prayer, then with a moment of quiet contemplation. Respect for self, family, friends and society must have a base grounded in fundamental human nature. If the parents do not make God a part of the home, then our institutions should reinforce societies' reverence for God. A belief in God or gods is the universal constant of any civilization, religion is the catalyst that forms a society.

Humans of today have not changed significantly from humans living 2,000 years ago, only our technology has changed. Remember that the great pyramids were already 2,500 years old when Cleopatra showed them to Mark Antony in 44 B.C. Denying the existence of God is the type of arrogance that leads to self destruction, escaping accountability will lead to anarchy, and anarchy results when society ceases to function.

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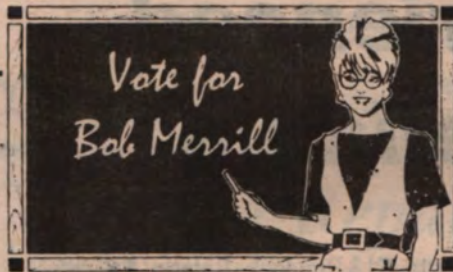


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 - Graduate of a 2A High School and understands the challenges of this school.
 - Texas A&M graduate with a B.S. degree in engineering.
 - Owner and President of HOT Inspection Services, Inc.
 - Member of the SISD Strategic planning Committee.
- **Committed Interest and total dedication**
 - A personal conviction that every person receive the best education possible.
 - A belief that the school environment must be positive and challenging.
 - A father of 3 children in the SISD.
- **Moral and ethical values**
 - Member of the Salado United Methodist Church serving on the Board of Trustees and the Research and Planning Committee for Expansion.
 - Member of the Explorers Sunday School Class and Youth Group Leader.
 - Member of the Youth Baseball Association Board of Directors.

"I can assure you that if am elected on May 1st, my efforts will be displayed in a positive manner necessary to elevate SISD to the highest level of excellence in academics, vocational education, and all extra curricular activities."

—John Konzen

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Lynn Epps for Public Library Trustee

As an incumbant I have worked hard with our volunteers to:

- bring our library to the forefront in our community.
- double the size of the library's book collection.
- create new adult and children's areas.
- develop and expand our children's programs.
- add new multi-media software and high speed internet terminal stations.
- secure grants and training to accomplish goals.

Help me continue this effort!

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News from Congressman Chet Edwards



Edwards attends bipartisan White House briefing on Kosovo

Representative Chet Edwards, Tuesday attended a bipartisan White House briefing on the Kosovo situation.

The briefing at the White House included situation reports from the Secretary of Defense and high-level military leaders. The president and vice president hosted the briefing for more than 30 members of Congress from both political parties.

After the briefing, Edwards released the following statement:

"Now that the U.S. and NATO are fighting Slobodan Milosevic we must persevere against him and his gang of terrorists. Losing is not an option. We must win for

several important reasons.

"Number one, Milosevic is a modern-day Hitler guilty of the mass murders of innocent men, women and children. If he is allowed to have his way, every brutal dictator in the world will be emboldened to wage war or commit enormous atrocities.

"Second, European instability has been the cause of two world wars in this century. I do not want it to be the cause of the third world war. Americans have learned the lesson with our blood that our nation cannot ignore brutal dictators in Europe.

"Third, a stable Europe is important for the American economy and jobs, since

Europe is a major trading partner of the U.S.

"Fourth, this is the first NATO offensive in 50 years. If it is allowed to fail, then the long-term stability of Europe will be greatly undermined.

"The first priority should be protecting American military personnel while fulfilling NATO's mission in Kosovo.

"I want our NATO commander, General Wes Clark, to have whatever resources are necessary to accomplish his military mission and to minimize risks to American personnel. Our military leaders, not 535 members of Congress, should make the tactical military decisions."



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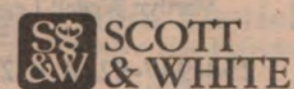
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Church News

THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

You Cannot Hide From God

"For there is nothing hid, except to be made manifest: nor is anything secret, except to come to light"

-Mark 4:22



As children, we all played hide and seek, as we all know that eventually the one hiding was found. So in adult life we all know that when we try to hide something from each other or society, the secret has a way of coming to light. Either through our own conscience or the prying of someone else, those things we want concealed eventually become bared. It is our conscience usually that brings about exposure. And what is conscience? It is the sense of morality that we learned from the scriptures and the fear we have of God's displeasure. God is all-wise, all-knowing, therefore it should be obvious that you cannot hide from God.

SUMC organize Van Ministry to bring non-driver to church

Graduates Honored
The Salado United Methodist will host a Senior Dinner for graduating seniors and their parents noon May 12 in the fellowship hall.

This year the following United Methodist Youth are graduating from Salado High School: Raina Curry, Anika Garcia, Shellie Grimm, Taylor Hutton, Josh Lee, Kathy Matthews, Lorrie Matthews, Melissa Matthews, Adam Nuse, Sonny Oldham, Katie Punched, Nicole Whitacre and Sara Wiley.

Garden Guild Lunch
The Salado United Methodist Church will host the Garden Guild's MayDay Luncheon noon, May 1 at the fellowship hall. CIO ladies boutique will present a Spring Fashion Show.

Transportation can be provided for those who cannot drive. Please call the church office at 947-5482 to make reservations.

Van Ministry Started
SUM Men's organizations is implementing a new outreach community program. Members of the UMM have organized a Van Ministry and will be picking up and delivering individuals to the Church for 10 a.m. Sunday school and 11 a.m. morning worship. The van will return the individuals home following church.

If you or someone you know is needing transportation to and from the church on Sunday mornings for Sunday school and worship services, contact the church office 947-5482.



Shauna Lyn O'Brien and Sy Martin Douglass.

O'Brien to wed Douglass

Tom and Anne O'Brien of Bay City and Ms. Lynda O'Brien of Carrolton announce the engagement of their daughter Shauna Lyn O'Brien of San Marcos to Sy Martin Douglass of Martindale. He is the son of Dale and Charlotte Douglass of Salado and Sierra Sage of Nolanville.

Shauna is a graduate of Bay City High School and

is currently attending Southwest Texas State University.

Sy is a graduate of Killeen Ellison High School and has a Business degree from Southwest Texas State University. He is employed by Hyde Park Baptist High School in Austin.

The couple plans a May 29 wedding at Central Presbyterian in Austin.

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Youth Fair Boosters set May 2 banquet

Salado Youth Fair Boosters host their end of the year awards banquet 2 p.m. May 2 at the Salado school cafeteria. The banquet honors all the children for their work during the past year.

Buyers who purchased projects are also invited to attend in gratitude for their support.

Each child that placed a project of any kind, 10th or above, will receive premium money from the Boosters.

Every year, the Boosters go to the Bell County Youth Fair Auction and help local businesses and supporters purchase the projects of Salado students who have made the auction sale. After the sale, all funds are brought back and dispersed to the kids.

The banquet will feature brisket and sausage with the trimming and drinks. Families are asked to bring a side dish of their choice to complement what the boosters are providing.

The Youth Fair Boosters will hold their next meeting 7 p.m. May 12 at the Salado High School library.

Boosters will elect officers for the upcoming

school year.

Everyone is encouraged to attend and help this organization which is vital in supporting the 4-H, FFA and FHA participants.

St. Joseph's sets Day of Prayer

St. Joseph's Chapel will be open 9 a.m.-9 p.m. April 30 for a day of individual prayers for God's help in the situation in Kosovo.

There will be no formal service; feel free to come and go throughout the day.

St. Joseph's Chapel is located behind Fletcher's Book Store on Main St. and parking is available in front of the store.

Call 947-5414 for further information.

Sexual Health at SISD April 29

Parents, do you know what your child will be taught this year about sex and abstinence?

You are invited to attend a presentation on Teenage Sexual Health 7 p.m. April 29 at Thomas Arnold cafeteria.

Topics will include SISD Abstinence Sex Education Program, Sexually Transmitted Diseases: Just the FACTS,

Teen Pregnancy: A major health problem, Is "safe sex" a myth?

Making the presentation will be Patricia Sulak, M.D. from Scott and White Hospital and Clinic Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

The sex education curriculum will be reviewed during the program. This seminar is open to adults only. (High school students may attend if accompanied by a parent or guardian.)

Day of Prayer slated for May 6

The 48th consecutive National Day of Prayer is scheduled for May 6. This year's theme is "Light the Nation... With Prayer." The National Day of Prayer Task Force in Temple invites you to attend events on that day to exercise your right to pray.

The Salado High School organization Fellowship for Christian Students invites the public and students to "Meet at the goal post" on the football field 7 a.m. for prayer.

In Temple the first events take place near the flagpole at the Municipal Building at 12:30 p.m. During this time, prayer and

a proclamation from mayor Keifer Marshall will be read. The address for the Municipal Building is 2 North Main in Temple. At 7 p.m. that evening at Immanuel Baptist Church, there will be a Community Prayer service. Immanuel Baptist Church is located at 1401 W. Central at 25th St. in Temple. Preschool childcare will be provided.

The National Day of Prayer theme verse for 1999 can be found in Matthew 5:14-15. For more information regarding the National Day of Prayer, contact Pat Dalrymple at 742-1029.

Brookhaven reunion held in Belton May 2

The annual Brookhaven Reunion will be held at the Henry Waskow VFW in Belton 10 a.m. May 2.

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The Cultural Activities Center is pleased to announce that Drs. Harold and Nil Whittington, back by popular demand, will be teaching a Tango Dancing in Wendland Hall, beginning May 10 - June 7. Instruction is from 6:30-8:00pm. The cost is \$20 per person and includes a \$10 non-refundable deposit required to hold your reservation. Class size is limited to 20 couples. Singles will be accepted when gender balance is achieved.

Harold Whittington earned his Ph.D. in sociol-

ogy and has a master's degrees in journalism and political science. He retired in 1990 as a professor and department head from Temple College. Nil Whittington served as Director of Instructional Telecommunications for the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and as Associate Director of Academic Affairs for the Kansas Board of Regents before retiring in 1988. Their love for ballroom dancing has grown into a passion to develop their skills, taking professional instruction from sev-

eral ballroom dance teachers in the Central Texas area. The Whittingtons are members of the Stardust, Big Band and Cabaret ballroom dance clubs in Waco, as well as the Cotillion and Central Texas Stardust dance clubs in Temple.

"We are not professionals," emphasizes Dr. Nil Whittington. "We do this for the love of dancing and to support the Cultural Activities Center."

For more information or to register for the Tango Dance classes, contact the CAC at (254)773-9926.

Cheerleaders named for coming year

On April 19 cheerleader try-outs were held for the 1999-2000 Varsity and Jr. Varsity Squad.

Varsity Cheerleaders will be seniors, Amber Clabum, Paige Teer, Diedra Hodge and Sarah Holloway; juniors, Cassie Fowell, Lindsey Watkins and Tera Donaldson; sophomores, Sarah Moon, Kelli Cook and Stephanie Marley and alternate Randi Rader. Mascots are Robyn Womac and Chelse Simpson.

Jr. Varsity Cheerleaders are Kellie Phelps, LeAnn Whitt, Mary Beth Murchison, Tiffney Young, Knealie True and Candice Williams. Alternate is Erin Lummus. A mascot will be picked at a later date.

Athletic boosters ink May 6 for awards banquet

The Salado Athletic Booster awards banquet will be 6 p.m. May 6 at the school cafeteria. The dinner is \$6.50 per person at the door.

Reid Ryan, son of pitching legend Nolan Ryan, is the guest speaker for the evening.

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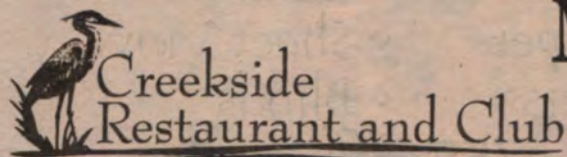


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Candidates

the board of trustees.

In fact, she says it is her only reason for running for the board.

"Every decision I would make as a trustee would be based on what is best for the children of the district," Hodge said. "The children are why I am running and where my voice will be coming from."

She added that Salado students are the strongest asset of the school district.

The children in Salado are strong because "we live in a unique community with very strong families, who are involved in their children's lives. When you have active parental involvement, this shows up in the students themselves."

Hodge has been active in her own children's lives, taking a leave of absence from the teaching profes-

sion to raise Barry, a pre-med student, and Diedra, a junior who is a member of the National Honor Society and a Varsity cheerleader.

Hodge began teaching in Academy, after graduating from University of Mary Hardin Baylor in 1979.

She stood as president of the Salado Parents and Teachers during a time in which the group worked on a set of goals and plans to achieve exemplary status for the district. She met with Texas Education Agency officials during this endeavor and worked to see that it was adopted by the board of trustees at the time.

Hodge returned to the classroom in Salado in 1991, teaching English and Spanish at all levels. She was selected as the Teacher of the Year by the Salado Lions Club in 1992.

In 1995, she joined her husband Claude to help him in his business in Killeen.

Her perspectives as a teacher, a parent and a businesswoman give Hodge a unique look at the school.

Some efforts she said that she would like to see put in place are more Advanced Placement classes, such as history and Spanish IV, additional life skills classes and more work-study programs.

"I would like to see a greater variety in our curriculum with an emphasis on technology," Hodge said.

She said that she would also like to see more accountability at the school, from the school board down to the student.

"Everybody at the school has a job, and should be accountable for making sure that job is done," Hodge said, "from board to the superintendent to the principals to the teachers to the students."

Hodge has lived in

Salado for 27 years, moving here after graduating from Chadwick, a private preparatory school in California.

Lynn Epps

Lynn Epps has lived in Salado since 1986. He moved to Salado to join in partnership in Inn on the Creek. He is also partners in Red Barn Antiques in Salado. He does consulting work on project management and construction management for industrial buildings. His work has carried him from Illinois to the Middle East.

He and his wife have one child in Salado schools.

Epps currently serves as a trustee of the Salado Public Library District. He has been an active member of the Salado Historical Society, as well as serving a co-chair of the Christmas Stroll with his wife Suzi.

He serves on the technology committee of the Long Range Planning committee for the school.

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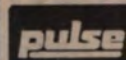
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Election

"We have not kept pace with technological advances in our schools," Epps said. "Members of the board have not had the proper information. They are not technologically savvy, so when something has been presented to them, they didn't know the questions to ask to make solid decisions. The board can get the right information by demanding it and by exploring outside sources."

Community support of the schools is the district's strength, but Epps said that district administrators can do a better job of utilizing input from the community.

"If the school does not utilize these people, they may lose resources they can never recover," Epps said. "These are the people who are out there selling your school everyday."

Epps pointed to his project management and business experience as assets for the board. He also pointed to his background working with computers and other technology as an asset to the board.

Dr. Robert Merrill

Dr. Robert Merrill is the only incumbent seeking reelection to the Salado ISD Board of Trustees.

Dr. Merrill has served one three-year term on the board of trustees. He is a member of the board's policy committee and chairs the public relations committee.

He and wife Pat have lived here since 1990, moving from Philadelphia. "It seemed like a nice, quiet, friendly place," Dr. Merrill said.

Before retiring to Salado, Dr. Merrill taught pediatric medicine at the University of Pennsylvania's Medical School. He taught medicine for 35 years in colleges and universities.

Dr. Merrill earned his M.D. from Vanderbilt University. He earned his undergraduate B.S. from Tulane University.

Dr. Merrill points to his experience in education as one of his reasons for seeking reelection to the board. "With my experience in education and interest in children, I thought I might have something to offer," he said.

"When I started on the board, I thought we had a good school system," he said. "I think we have a better school today. It is gratifying to think that I have been a part of it."

"The new school will relieve a lot of the pressure," he added. "Only the rate of growth will tell us when other construction is necessary."

He added that the district is looking at growth "in a rational fashion. We are trying to get public support and input before the situation becomes desperate."

John Konzen

John Konzen is self-employed as a structural inspector for 15 years. His company, HOT Inspection Services, does structural and welding inspections for the City of Round Rock, as

well as around the state. He moved to Salado in April 1998 bringing his wife Nancy, and three children. His children are active in Salado schools and sports.

Konzen said that he moved to Salado after his family looked around the area "for a smaller community with a quality of life that we're used to."

Konzen said two areas are of chief concern to him: technology and growth. But before addressing these issues, the district must first address its standards.

"A lot of quality education can come from making sure policies are carried out from the superintendent to the principal and down the line," Konzen said. "Education can certainly be improved if we have consistent discipline in the classrooms."

Technology is crucial to

a good education, according to Konzen. "The criteria to get into college is a lot different than it used to be," he said. "At the same time, a lot of kids are not going to college. There is a need for industrial and technical programs in the school."

"Salado schools have a great foundation to grow on," he said. "We've got a good school board and a superintendent who is ready to make a difference here."

Konzen is a director of the Salado Youth Baseball Association, a member of the Salado United Methodist Church and an active member of the Salado Athletic Booster Club. He also serves on the school district's strategic planning committee as chairman of the safety and discipline subcommittee.

He is a graduate of Texas A&M University with a B.S. degree in Engineering.

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Eagles score for playoffs

With a dramatic 4-3 victory over district champion Troy the Salado Eagles baseball team assured themselves of some type of playoff game. The Eagles could finish anywhere from second place by themselves or tied for third place in a worst case scenario.

A win by Salado April 27 over Holland gives the Eagles at least a tie for second with Academy. The April 27 game was played after press time so results will appear in the May 5 issue *Salado Village Voice*. A loss to Holland would probably drop Salado into a third place tie with Lago Vista.

Against Troy April 23, Salado scored four runs in the top of the second inning and then held on for the win. Kevin Keller and Michael Gunter drew consecutive walks to start the

inning. Paul Lucas then turned what was supposed to be a sacrifice bunt into a base hit to load the bases. Rory Oldham then hit a sacrifice fly to center for the Eagles first run.

Gunter was tagged out at home on a fielder's choice for the second out. David Palmer then singled to drive in the second Eagle run. Troy then committed three errors to allow two more Eagle runs.

Salado had runners in scoring position in the third, fourth and seventh innings, but could not convert. This inability to drive in runs looked as if it would come back to haunt Salado.

Troy finally got to the Eagles' starting pitcher, David Palmer, in the sixth inning. Palmer gave up a one-out walk and consecutive singles for a run. Chris Michna then came on in re-

lief. Michna struggled with his control. He walked the first batter he faced and threw a few wild pitches to allow two more runs. Michna then settled down to strike out the next two batters.

In the seventh inning, Michna struck out the first batter. The next two hitters singled to put the Eagles on the ropes. Michna bore down and struck out Troy's number two and three hitter to seal the game.

Palmer and Lucas both produced two hits on the night. Palmer also pitched a magnificent game. He allowed only three hits in 5-1/3 innings. He struck out seven and walked one. Michna truck out five his 1-2/3 innings.

Earlier in the week, Salado played another exciting game, losing to the Cedar Park Timberwolves 3-2 in nine innings.

Salado scored single runs in the third and fourth innings. David Palmer and Kevin Keller drove in the runs for Salado.

Cedar Park tied the game in the bottom of the fifth and scored the winning run in the bottom of the ninth on a two-out Salado error.

Palmer collected three hits on the night. A quarter of Eagle pitchers (Palmer, Shaun Drake, Michna and Troy Smith) did a fine job on the night. They allowed only seven hits, struck out eight and did not walk a batter.

The JV team lost both of their games last week, losing to Cedar Park 10-0 and Troy 14-5. Against Cedar Park, Jeremy Grimm, Chris Ray, J.D. Glaeser and Cole Wolff were the only players to collect hits. Against Troy, Glaeser and Randy Tubbs both collected two hits.

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Compass Spirit Award given to seniors Hutton and Oldham

Salado High School students, Taylor Hutton and Sonny Oldham, have been named the recipients of the Compass Bank Spirit of Salado Award.

The award was established to recognize students at Salado High School for leadership, respect for others, and a willingness to serve in community/school activities. The Spirit of Salado Award is presented to one student each six weeks.

Taylor, a senior, is the recipient for the 3rd six weeks. He is a member of the football and basketball team. He is the Interact President, Senior Class President, Vice-President of Fellowship of Christian Students, and Secretary of National Honors Society.

In both 1996 and 1997, Taylor was named the teams MVP as well as '96 football Newcomer of the Year, the '97 offensive MVP, and '98 defensive MVP.

He plans to attend college upon graduation majoring in Pre-Med., with



Taylor Hutton
Spirit of Salado award winner for third six weeks period

and emphasis in Sports Medicine.

Taylor is the son of Billie Sue Hutton.

Sonny, a senior, is the recipient for the 4th six weeks. Sonny is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Students and the football team. He is also active in UIL events.

Sonny's honors include Who's Who Among American High School Students in 1998, the Honor Roll,



Sonny Oldham
Spirit of Salado award winner for fourth six weeks period

and Perfect Attendance.

Sonny plans to attend the University of Texas and major in Architecture.

He is the son of Frank and Candy Oldham.

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Salado Students win Academics Contest

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Results of the Regional meet are as follows:
Editorial Writing - Adrienne Akins- 6th
Feature Writing - Meredith Akins - 5th
Spelling - Rachel McGregor - 2nd
Literary Criticism - Laura

Schatte- 2nd, Adam Doyle- 3rd
Adrienne Akins - 5th
Literary Criticism Team - Schatte, Doyle, Akins - 1st
Science - Paul Lucas - 2nd (Top Physics Score)
Science Team - Lucas, Chris Michna, Shane Rigsby - 1st
Number Sense - Chris Ray - 2nd, Adrienne Akins- 5th
Number Sense Team - Ray, Akins, Rigsby - 1st
Mathematics - Paul Lucas- 2nd, Adrienne Akins- 3rd and Shane Rigsby - 5th.
Mathematics Team - Lucas, Akins, Rigsby - 1st

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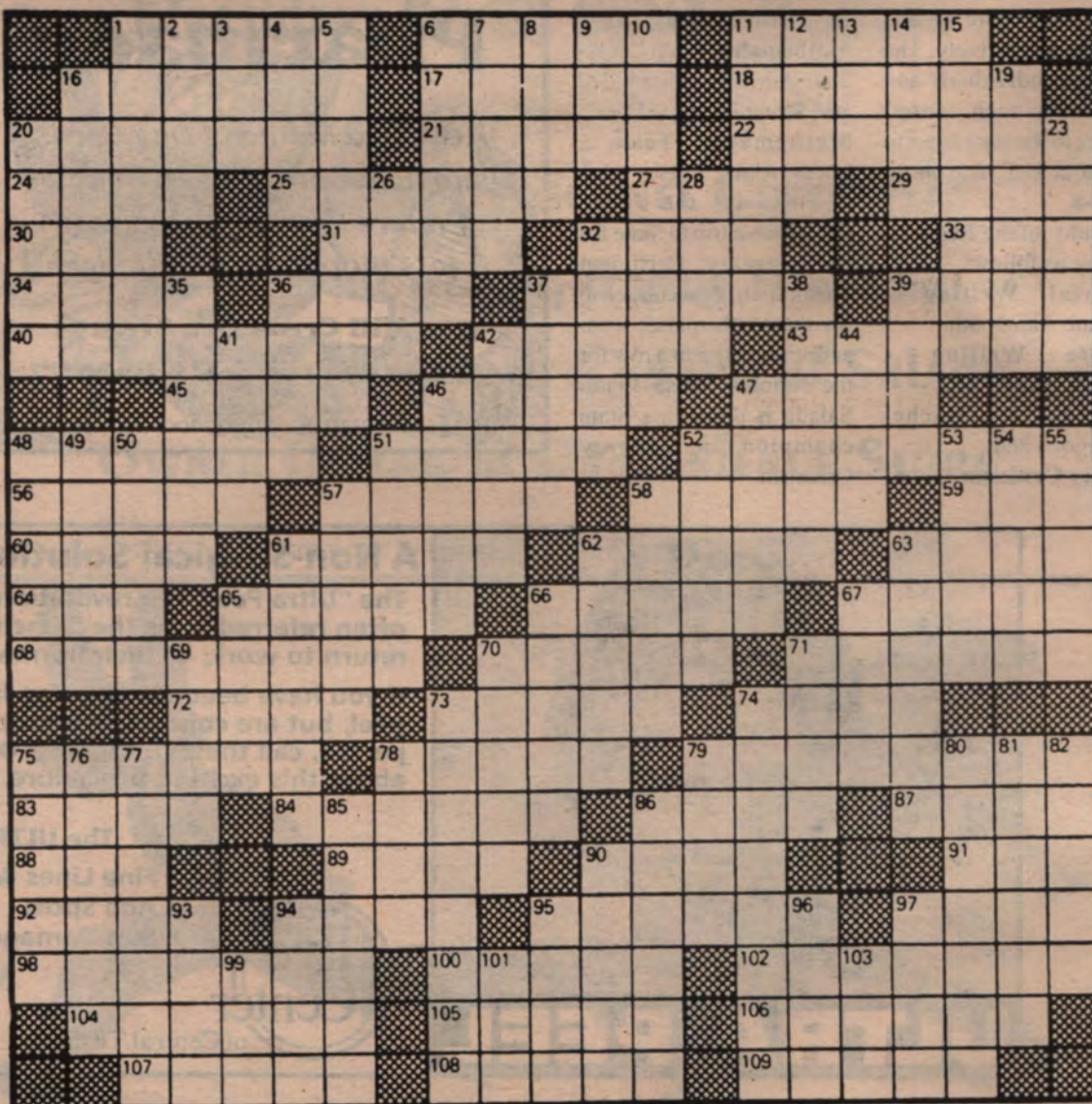
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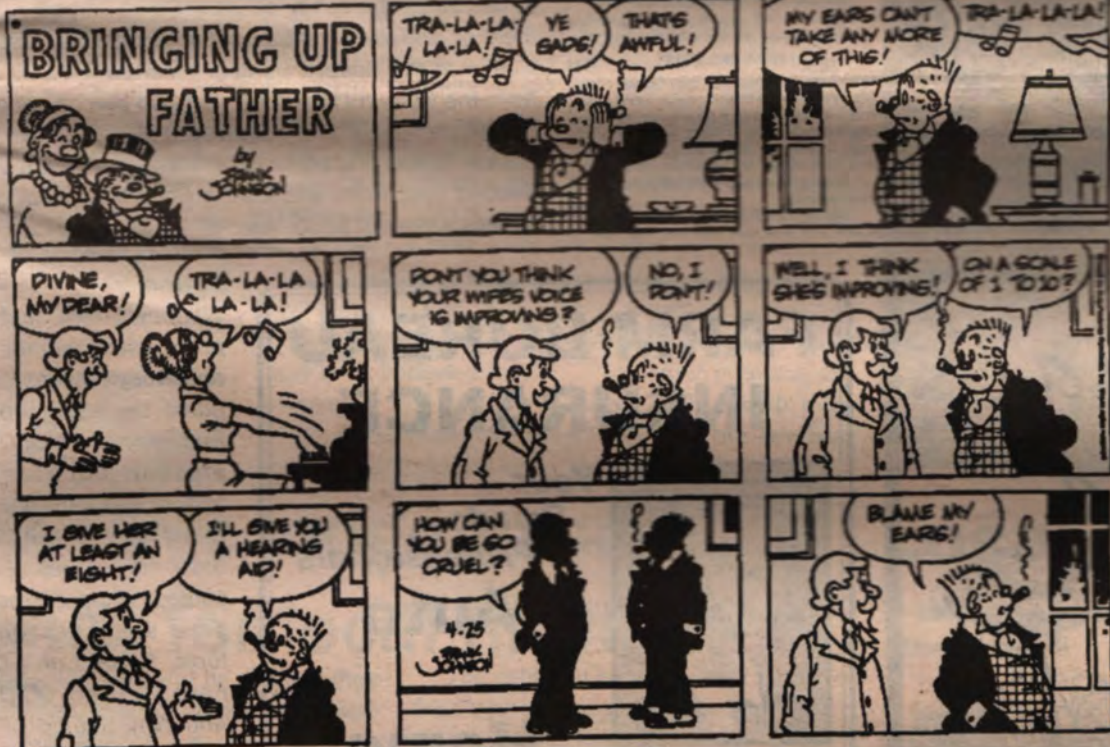
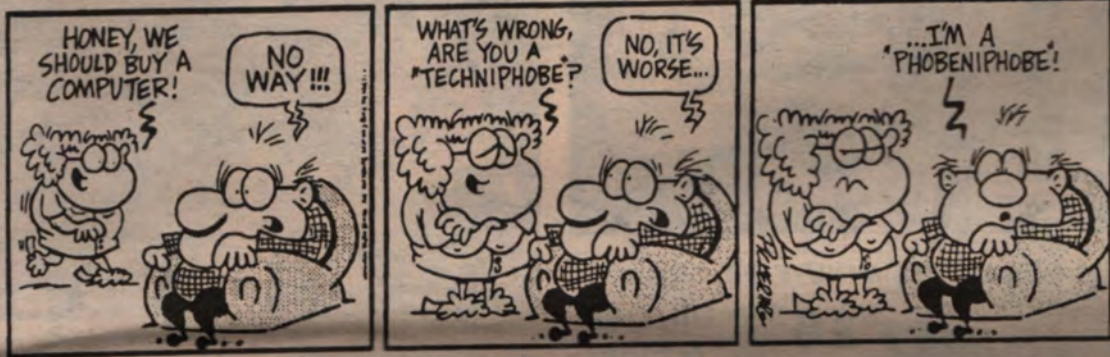
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The 2nd Annual Shakespeare Up the Creek in Salado presents William Shakespeares' "The Taming of the Shrew" April 31, May 1, 7, and 8 at Tablerock Amphitheatre. The outdoor theatre is located just off Royal and two blocks east of Main Street. Tickets are \$12.50 adults, and \$6.25 seniors and students.

The production will feature professional actors and is directed by Jeffrey Baldwin, the Entertainment Director of Texas Renaissance Festival in Houston. Mr. Baldwin says that the play will be a rollicking ride with cowboys and saloon girls and yet stay absolutely true to Shakespeare's texts, which was, and is a comedy intended for those that like their humor light and raucous. The seeming dichotomy between the Wild West and Shakespeare plays well, he assures. "Picture Kate, the Shrew, as Calamity Jane, and Petruchio,



The Bard will have a Texas twang when Shakespeare Up the Creek presents The Taming of the Shrew at Tablerock Amphitheater.

her suitor as Wild Bill Hickock and you'll be close," he says with a smile. Audience is encouraged to take advantage of the tiered lawn seating with

picnic dinners before and during the show. Refreshments will also be available. The grounds will open at 7 p.m. and the curtain will be at 8 p.m.

The production is sponsored by A Company of Muses retail store on North Pace Park Dr. and tickets are available there by calling (254) 947-9178.

"Music Under the Stars" May 23 features

Gary Nunn & Sons of The Bunkhouse Band

Gary P. Nunn has agreed to perform with his band, The Sons of the Bunkhouse Band at a benefit program May 23 in Salado.

"Salado's Music Under the Stars" is a fund-raiser for Tablerock Festival of Salado, a nonprofit organization which promotes the performing arts in Central Texas. Held in Tablerock's Goodnight Amphitheater (on Royal St., 2 blocks east of Main St.) the program will run 5-9 p.m. If inclement weather occurs, the event will move to the Wildfire Ranch Roping Arena (I-35 & Holland Rd.) Picnic baskets and coolers

are welcome and lawn chairs and blankets are suggested. Concessions and barbecue will be available.

This concert is underwritten and sponsored by Ron and Kay Coleman, friends of Tablerock and Gary P. Nunn. Opening for Nunn will be Richard Paul Thomas and host for the evening Freddie Fuller, the Singing Cowboy.

While stranded in London, England in 1973, Gary P. Nunn penned "London Homesick Blues", the now famous anthem for the highly acclaimed Austin City Limits and also the anthem for Texas expatriates world wide yearning for

their home state. Nunn was designated "Official Ambassador to the World." by Texas Governor Mark White in 1985, who proposed that this song become the Official State Song of Texas.

Gary P. Nunn has come to represent the true Texas song master. Although born and now living in Oklahoma, which he calls "force exile", Nunn spent his youth and college years in Texas. He currently travels around Texas and the Southwest 48 weekends a year performing to enthusiastic crowds. Preferring a small venue. For his shows, he can often be spotted at

an out-of-the-way roadhouse where locals flock to sing along with him as long as he will stay.

Always ready to shake hands with fans, Gary Nunn says, "they are the cream of the crop; quality people who gravitate to the western life-style." And then with his trademark laugh he adds, They dress well, behave themselves and are all great dancers."

Tickets will be available at the gate: \$10 for adults (\$8 in advance), \$5 for children 12 & under.

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Annual Events for 1999

April 30: Peaceable Kingdom Auction.
April 30, May 1, May 7 & 8, 1999: Shakespeare Up the Creek. Shakespeare's **Taming of the Shrew** at Tablerock Amphitheater, sponsored by Texas Renaissance Festival, Tomball College and 1855 Levi Tenney House Workshops. Emily Banks, Director.
May 8-9, 1999: Texas 100 Invitational Art Show in Pace Park, sponsored by Salado Chamber of Commerce. We've invited the best to show here in Salado. **Preview party on May 7.** Live music, children's tent. 5K Fun Run/Walk May 8 begins 8 a.m. in Pace Park. \$15 5K entry. For more info on art show or 5K entry forms, call 254/947-5040.
May 10, 1999: Salado Lions Club Annual Benefit Golf Tournament, 1:00 p.m. shotgun start at Mill Creek Golf and Country Club. Lunch in Lions Park on the grounds of Salado Civic Center before tee-off. Entry fee of \$50 include green fee and shared cart. For more information, call Hulda Horton, 254/947-8300.
May 15: Salado Masonic Lodge #296 Fish Fry benefiting Salado Volunteer Fire Department. Proceeds will go to place in service a breathing air compressor and cascade system. Fish Fry 2-7 p.m. at the school cafeteria. Plates are \$5 each. For more information or tickets, call Salado Village Voice, 254/947-5321. Tickets also at First State Bank, Village Pharmacy or from Lodge members.
May 22: Peaceable Kingdom Fundraiser Party.
May 29: Robertson Plantation Home Tour. Tour the 22-room Robertson PLantation, one of the most complete plantations in Texas. Sponsored by the Central Texas Area Museum. For more information, call 254/947-5232.
June 8-12: First Annual Judy & A.C. Greene Literary Festival. Held June 8-12, 1999 at the Salado Civic Center 7 p.m. each evening with awards pre-

ented on June 12 by a Festival critic/adjudicator. Awards of \$2,500 for works which lend themselves to dramatic performance. Entry forms may be obtained by contacting the Festival addresses (LRTS, PO Box 2310, Salado, TX 76571, 254/947-3104) or downloading forms from the LRTS website at vvm.com~lrts.
June 12: Genealogy Workshop in the Scots Hall of the Clans. Sponsored by the Central Texas Area Museum. For reservations, call 254/947-5232.
June 23-25: Watercolor/pastel workshop with artist Dee Turner at Village Art Center on grounds of Salado Civic Center. Salado Village Artists, Inc. is sponsor. For info, call 947-4545.
July 3: Annual Salado Historical Society Fourth of July Picnic. Pace Park Pavilion. Everyone is invited to this potluck dinner.
July 24, 31 & August 7, 1999: **Salado Legends** performed at Tablerock Amphitheater. Dinner at 7:30 p.m., \$5 per person. Theater at 8 p.m. \$15 adults, \$5 children. 254/947-9205.
August 7-8, 1999: 33rd Annual Salado Art Fair in Pace Park, sponsored by Salado Chamber of Commerce. 254/947-5040.
August 19-20: Acrylic workshop with artist Al Moore at Village Art Center on grounds of Salado Civic Center. Sponsor is Salado Village Artists, Inc. For info, call 947-4545.
September 5, 12, 19, & 26, 1999: Salado September Sunday Nights, sponsored by the First Baptist Church of Salado, Tablerock
September 9, 1999: Central Texas Poetry/Prose Readings, 7 p.m. Open Mic, 9 p.m. Alice Wells, hostess, 947-5144. Tablerock.
October 2: Fifth Annual Salado Family Festival and Duck Race down Salado Creek. Sponsored by

the Salado Youth Association. For more info, call 947-5040.
October 6-8: Watercolor workshop with artist Mary Jane Cox at Village Art Center on grounds of Salado Civic Center. Salado Village Artists, Inc. is sponsor. For more info, call 947-4545.
October 7, 1999: Third Annual Storytelling Festival for Bell County's 2nd through 5th grade students. \$1 per student. Tablerock. Call 254/947-9205 or 254/939-5061 for reservations.
October 8-9, 1999: Christmas in October at the Salado Civic Center, sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary. For more information, call 254/947-5040.
October 16, 1999: Tablerock Music Festival, chaired by Fred Fuller and Richard Paul Thomas, 7:30 p.m. Info: 254/947-4717 or 947-9205.
October 29-31, 1999: Fright Nights at Tablerock, Halloween fun for the whole family beginning at dusk.
November 12-14, 1999: 38th Annual Scottish Games, Village Green, sponsored by Central Texas Area Museum, 254/947-5232
December 3-5 and 10-12, 1999: Salado Christmas Stroll, sponsored by Salado Chamber of Commerce Merchants Committee. 254/947-5040
December 3-5, 1999: Salado Historical Society Christmas Tour of Homes.
December 3-4 & 10-11, 1999: A Christmas Carol at Goodnight Amphitheater. 254/947-9205
December 2-5: La Caldera Quilt Show benefiting Central exas Christians who do missionary work in Mexico. In the Scots Hall of the Clans at the Central Texas Area Museum. For more information, call 2564/947-5232.
December 13, 1999: Salado Chamber of Commerce Auxiliary Grace Jones Style Show at Creekside Restaurant.

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Calendar of Events

April 30, May 1, 7 & 8: Shakespeare Up the Creek. Shakespeare's Taming of the Shrew at Tablerock Amphitheater

May 1: Salado Library District Board Election Day 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Salado ISD Cafeteria

May 1: Salado Strutters Style Show, 2-4 p.m. at the Halley House, tickets may be purchased at Christy's of Salado

May 6: Salado Athletic Banquet, Thomas Arnold Elementary, 6 p.m.--tickets may be purchased at the door \$6.50

May 8-9: Texas 100 Invitational Art Show in Pace Park 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sat. with a 5K Fun Run/Walk 8 a.m. starting at Pace Park; 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Sun.

May 10: 4th Annual Salado Lions Club Golf Tourney, 1 p.m., tee time 1:30 p.m.

May 13: Chisholm Trail Republican Women meeting 7 p.m. Civic Center

May 13: Dedication of Salado's Main Street Walkpath Bridge 9 a.m.

May 15: Thomas Arnold Elementary 4th Grade Melodrama 7 p.m. Tablerock

May 15: Masonic Lodge #296 Fish Fry Dinner, 2-6 p.m. at elementary cafeteria

May 18: SPAT meeting 6:30-7:30 p.m. at elementary cafeteria

May 27: Salado ISD early out, high school depending on final schedule

May 27: Graduation, 7 p.m. Bell County Expo Center

May 28: last day of classes at SISD, seniors do not return

Mondays

*Salado Chamber of Commerce meets second Monday at 6 p.m. at the Civic Center.

*Salado I.S.D. Board of Trustees meets third Monday at 6 p.m., at Salado Civic Center unless otherwise scheduled. Agenda posted 72 hours prior to meeting at

Civic Center.

*Salado Library District Board meets third Monday at 5 p.m. at the Salado Public Library.

*Salado Masonic Lodge #296 meets 7 p.m. on the Monday on or before the full moon

*Monday Club meets on the first Monday of each month 2 p.m. at the United Methodist Church

Tuesdays

*Salado Rotary Club, 11:30 a.m. every Tuesday, Salado Mansion.

*Yoga Classes meet Tuesdays at the Salado Methodist Fellowship Hall at 6:45 p.m.

*Salado Public Library Storytime will meet every Tuesday for kids ages 3-5 years old from 10:30-11 a.m. at the Library

Wednesdays

*Lions Club meets second and fourth Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. at Creekside Restaurant

*Mill Creek Community Association Board meets the third Wednesday at 6 p.m. at the Civic Center

*Salado Youth Baseball Association meetings 6:30 p.m. at Salado High School

*Salado Youth Association, third Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Salado Civic Center.

Thursday

*Salado Business Association meets first Thursday at 8:45 a.m. at the Civic Center

*Salado Ladies Auxiliary meets second Thursday at 10 a.m. at the Civic Center

*Salado Water Corporation Board of Directors meets third Thursday at 4 p.m.

If you have any events to put in our Calendar of Events each week, please call the Salado Village Voice at 947-5321. We will be glad to put it in for you!

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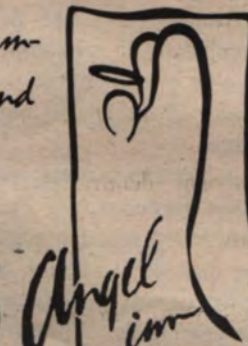


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Essayist Roger Rosenblatt spoke of his need to write

by Tim Fleischer
Editor-in-Chief

Essayist Roger Rosenblatt likened his need to write to floating down a stream in an innertube. "And there, up ahead is a bend in the river," Rosenblatt said. "That bend in the river is a sign of promise and a sign of progress."

Writers write to tell where we have been and where we are going.

Rosenblatt was the final speaker in the Institute for the Humanities at Salado series of lectures and seminars on "Media and the American Identity."

He has written essays for the *Washington Post*, *U.S. News and World Report*, *Vanity Fair* and *Time* magazine, among other publications.

Presently, he writes for the *Lehrer News Hour* on PBS, where he has won an Emmy and a Peabody. He also teaches at Long Island University, after teaching at Harvard University, where he earned a Ph.D.

In his April 25 lecture, Rosenblatt said that "I write to stay afloat."

"Horses run. Beavers build dams. We tell stories," he said. "We are a narrative species."

Rosenblatt told stories from his youth and his career as a journalist.

He recalled the sense of promise he felt as a young boy floating in an innertube at The Palisades Amusement Park in New Jersey, not knowing what was around the bend of the river.

He told a story about a Vietnamese young man, Khu, who was one of the boat people. Even facing the worst situation imaginable, Khu had hope, which is one reason we tell stories.

"Sometimes they would run out of food on the boats and would resort to cannibalism," Rosenblatt said. "This happened on Khu's boat. They grabbed Khu, put a sack over his head and bashed him in the head. When he did not die, they asked him if he wanted to live, and they let him."

When Rosenblatt met Khu, he asked him if he understood how a human could come to such a desperate state as to resort to cannibalism. "He understood how it could happen.

I then asked him if it were possible for him to ever resort to that. He said no. I asked him why. He said, 'Because we're all in the same boat.'"

Even when all hope is lost, we feel compelled to tell our stories, Rosenblatt said. He pointed to the Jews in the Warsaw Ghetto during World War II as an example of this urgency to tell our stories.

"They knew they were going to die," he said. "It was no secret what their fate was. At that time, it looked as if Germany would win. Yet, they wrote their stories on scraps of paper and stuck them in crevices and cracks. As far as they knew, these scraps with their stories would be discovered by German soldiers, laughed at and destroyed. But they felt the need to tell their story anyway."

Rosenblatt said Melville defined this need to tell stories in the line from *Moby Dick*: "I alone am left to tell the tale."

Sometimes we tell the tale without even meaning to. Rosenblatt recalled going to the Soviet Union to write a companion essay for *Life* magazine's "A Day in the Life of Russia" photo series.

Rosenblatt was taken by his guide/interpreter to meet a fisherman who was happiest because he knew that every fish he took from the sea went to the state. "I can't imagine what could make you happier than that," Rosenblatt said with a laugh.

In the process of interviewing the fisherman, Rosenblatt noticed a guitar in the corner. He asked the fisherman to sing a song.

"He sang beautifully and was joined in by my interpreter in harmony," he said. "Not understanding the meaning of this beautiful song, I asked them about the lyrics. The lyrics were 'Oh, to be as free as a fish in the sea.'"

And therein was the truth of the matter, buried underneath the lie of the Soviet system.

We yearn for freedom, according to Rosenblatt,

and writers find that freedom in their writing.

"If you expect me to be magnanimous, I will be petty. If you expect me to be critical, I will be giving," Rosenblatt said.

Writers find the freedom to fail to meet and to surpass expectations of them.

Even facing ridicule from critics, writers write. Some even savor criticism. Rosenblatt told of one friend who received a letter about his writings: "I have prayed for the death of two other writers and have been successful twice."

Eugene O'Neal's sentiment on critics suits Rosenblatt as well, "I love every bone in their heads."

Writers write in spite of being banned and censored. Rosenblatt said that the top three banned writings in American schools were *Macbeth*, *King Lear* and *The Great Gatsby*.

He shared what was his favorite explanation by a school board for banning a book. "It gives a morbid portrayal of death."

Writers write in spite of their own personalities. "'How are you?' is not a greeting; it is a challenge to a writer. It is interpreted as 'Since you have published anything in a while, you must have been in prison...'"

"Do you remember the painting 'The Scream'?" Writers call it 'Serenity,'" Rosenblatt said.

Writers love words, especially when someone in power uses them in the wrong manner. "I miss George Bush," Rosenblatt said, recalling Bush's speech honoring Hubble, who "lived or died or whatever." His take on the '88 election was right on the mark when he said it would be 'decided by the undecideds, who could go either way.'"

He said he also missed Ronald Reagan, who admonished us not to "throw out the baby with the dishes."

But his favorite gaffe came in an introduction of Reagan. The speaker told the audience that "Ronald Reagan knows where life

begins. He knows that each of us began our lives at one time as a feces."

Rosenblatt wondered aloud whether the speaker actually misspoke. "Who's to say he was wrong?" he said.

Writers are a strange lot. They are removed from the rest of the population. Rosenblatt remembered his high school days. "I would try to fit in lines of dialogue from movies into every day conversation," he said.

He said that he never had the opportunity to quote George Kennedy's memorable line in *Earthquake*, "I don't know what it is, but earthquakes bring out the worst in some guys."

He did, however, find the occasion for Watson's line in a *Sherlock Holmes* movie, "Haven't you ever heard of the giant rat of Sumatra?"

The opportunity came on the 50th Anniversary of Mickey Mouse, when one of his friends asked over lunch, "Has there ever been a bigger rodent than Mickey Mouse?"

"When you are out of it," Rosenblatt said, "you meet interesting people."

He shared his meeting with Charlie.

Charlie was a homeless man. He had set up all the requirements for a living room at the corner of two busy streets.

"He had a couch, a chair, a lamp plugged into nothing and a rug," Rosenblatt said. "So I sat down with him in his living room and talked to him. After some time, I could tell he was getting bored. He stood up, shook my hand and said, 'Well, Roger, I enjoyed this visit, but I am expecting company.'"

Writers can never tell where a story might take them. Some take us to see what is worst in ourselves. Other stories take us to see what is best in ourselves.

"And that is the bend in the river," Rosenblatt said.



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The Temple classes will be held at the Cultural Activities Center on Monday nights May 3-July 14.

You can sign up for either series of classes for

\$35 per person.

"This is the only summer session that will be held at the CAC," explains Coates. "These classes have been very popular and I am very happy with the enthusiasm and support of the Center and my students. The Cultural Activities Center is a wonderful place for this activity!"

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ment of memory, eyesight, hearing and appearance. According to Coates yoga "is not aerobics and not jogging... Yoga is a contained, quiet and controlled... basic exercises in mind control correlated with breath and body movement."

In faithful pursuit ever since a serious illness in 1967, Coates began teaching Yoga in 1968 and has studied at the California Institute of Asian Studies and the Integral Yoga Institute in San Francisco as well as schools in New York, Lon-

don, New Dehil, Benares, India, Rangoon, Bangkok, Hong Kong and Singapore.

"I don't know of anyone who cannot perform yoga techniques, including physically disabled people," says Coates. There is no special equipment required for students to enjoy the class, however loose clothing and a large beach or bath towel are recommended. To register contact the Cultural Activities Center at (254)773-9926 or call Paul Coates at 254/947-9992.

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Dear Editor:

Yesterday I had a visit from Bill Piper, one of Salado's most active volunteers and contributors to the village of Salado. Our discussion centered on the upcoming Fish Fry, sponsored by the Salado Masonic Lodge to benefit the Salado Fire Department with the purchase of a breathing system for our firefighters, a system we do not have

and one that is needed. When one is needed by our volunteers, they must borrow one, which is frequently not available when needed.

Tim Fleischer recently wrote an editorial titled "Wake Up Salado" which comes to mind with this effort by the Masonic Lodge to make our community a better and safer place to live.

This program is a good one for a good organization and for a purpose.

Please help support

this activity by coming to the Fish Fry on May 5 at the school cafeteria from 2-6 p.m. Tickets are only \$5 and are available at First State Bank, Village Pharmacy, Salado Village Voice, Salado Civic Center and at Compass Bank.

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Q: My cameo glass vase is signed "Weis." It has pale pastel flowers on a white background. It looks like the French glass made by Galle or Daum. I have not been able to find anything about a maker named Weis?

A: "Weis" with one "s" is the signature used by Emil Rudolf Weiss. He born in Germany in 1875 and worked in Berlin from 1907 to 1933. He made acid-etched and cameo glass that was very similar to the french glass.

Q: My iron doorstop is shaped like an English cottage. The bottom is marked "J.W." Do you know

whether it is American or English and about when it was made?

A: The John Wright Co. of Wrightsville, Pa., has made many reproductions of old iron doorstops for gift shops. The company bought some molds from Hubley Manufacturing Co. of Lancaster, Pa. One of these molds was a cottage. The new doorstops became popular in the late 1980's after the original Halloween girl doorstop sold for \$3,500.

Q: My lamp looks like a woman in a flowing robe. She is surrounded by vines and flowers. There is a light bulb in the center of each flower. The

lamp is about 24 inches high. When were figure lamps popular?

A: Your lamp is in a very popular art nouveau style. The earliest examples were made in France in the 1890's. They were soon sold in many stores in America. The Frankelite Co. of Cleveland is still in business. They offered several such woman lamps in a 1910 catalog. Most of them were made of bronze-coated white metal.



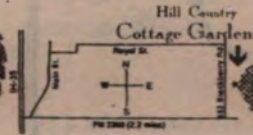
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Panhandle Plains

April 1-December 31, 1999 "Quilted Treasures from the Collection," Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum, Canyon. Quilts have long been recognized as a unique form of traditional American folk art. More than just artistic expressions, quilts are important historical and sociological documents. As the country grew, so did the importance and role of quilting in American life. Families moving westward in search of a better way of life turned to quilting as a means for caring for their loved ones in remote, often sparsely populated regions with limited access to commercially produced goods. The Museum's extensive clothing and textile Collection includes more than 150 19th and 20th century quilts and quilttops, many of which have never been displayed. For more information, contact the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum, 2401 Fourth Ave., Canyon, Texas 79015 or phone (806) 651-2244.

April 1-May 31 -

"Children of Children: Portraits and Stories of Teenage Parents," The Grace Museum, Abilene. The Community Foundation of Abilene along with The Grace Museum presents photographer Michael Nye's moving and emotional exhibit, titled "Children of Children: Portraits and Stories of Teenage Parent," at The Grace Museum. The exhibit presents 50 portraits and stories of those lives that have been crucially affected by teenage pregnancy. Each person carries a separate, particular history unique to the individual. Their stories speak of adult responsibilities assumed too soon. Visitors to the exhibit will be able to listen to the stories of these Young parents and will hopefully gain a sense of their range of experiences. For more information, contact The Grace Museum, 102 Cypress St., Abilene, Texas 79601 or phone (915) 673-4587.

Prairies and Lakes

April 1-30 - DeWitt County Wildflowers Month, Cuero. DeWitt County and the DeWitt County Historical Museum invite the public to come and enjoy the beauty of "DeWitt County Lanes and Byways" during the month of April. DeWitt County's location in South Central Texas provides the perfect environment for more than 1,000 different species of native wildflowers. During April, the DeWitt County Historical Museum will be

"wildflower headquarters" where young and old alike will have the opportunity to enjoy their fresh wildflower exhibit complete with common and botanical identification cards. On any day, visitors will find 140 different varieties of blooming wildflowers on display. The DeWitt County Wildflower Association is dedicated to educating adults and children about the preservation and propagation of native wildflowers. For more information, contact the DeWitt County Wildflower Association, Box 995, Cuero, Texas 77954 or phone (512) 275-9942.

Piney Woods

April 1-May 2 - "Animals as Architects," Discovery Place Children's Museum, Texarkana. "Animals as Architects" is now open at Discovery Place Children's Museum. This hands-on exhibit from the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry teaches children about animals that build their homes above and underground. The traveling exhibit focuses on the fascination of how animals use their instincts developed over thousands of years to build their homes. Animals burrow, weave, shape and sculpt as they create comfortable, secure homes out of the resources they find in their surroundings. Visitors of all ages can hunt for hidden moles and gophers; make and take spider web rubbings; match animals to their homes; and view small-scale animal houses on a microscopic exploration table. The exhibit also features a beaver lodge and a life-size model of all African termite mound. For more information, contact the Texarkana Museums System, P.O. Box 2343, Texarkana, Texas 75504-2343 or phone (903) 793-4831.

Gulf Coast

April 14-May 2 - Buccaneer Days, Corpus Christi. Join the City of Corpus Christi as it celebrates Buccaneer Days, a festival that brings back memories of the city's past as a hideaway for pirates. From its simple beginning in 1938, Buccaneer Days has grown into the premier event. Corpus Christi. In addition to the carnival and spectacular night parade, the festivities now include a junior parade, a coronation, music festival, stadium show, fireworks shoebox float contest, a senior citizens dance and a Cinco de Mayo concert. Don't miss this exciting festival where pirate flags are flying, the Ferris wheel is turning; bands are tuning up; athletes are warming up; and at night, all eyes turn skyward as the fireworks begin to explode over Corpus Christi Bay. For more information, contact the Corpus Christi Convention and Visitors Bureau, 1201 North Shoreline, Corpus Christi, Texas 78403 or phone (800) 678-6232.

April 27-28 - "Florescence: The Arts in Bloom," Houston. "Florescence: The Arts in Bloom" is a spectacular flower and arts show where florists and horticulturists from all over and noted Houston personalities design arrangements of fresh flowers and horticulture displays. The designers

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Central Texas joins National Federation to eradicate breast cancer

Central Texas has joined the fight against breast cancer by becoming a member of the Susan G. Komen Foundation Affiliate Network.

The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation was founded in 1982 by Nancy Brinker to honor the memory of her sister Susan, who died from breast cancer at the age of 36. The Foundation is a national organization with a network of volunteers working to eradicate breast cancer as a life-threatening disease by advancing research, education, screening and treat-

ment.

The 107 affiliates in 43 states and the District of Columbia fulfill the Foundation's mission in local communities by raising funds through events such as the Race for the Cure and the Ultimate Drive. Scott & White will sponsor its 2nd Annual Ultimate Drive in August.

"The Central Texas Affiliate's mission is to gain membership, to take mobile mammography units to neighborhoods to facilitate their use by minority population, and to educate," said Susan Rosson, President of

the Central Texas Affiliate. "By 'educate', we mean stress the vital importance of self-examination followed by a yearly physician's examination and a yearly mammogram. We also want to educate that the fear of finding a problem is a universal one for women, but the advantages- the life-saving advantages of early detection and treatment- should help them rise above that fear."

A majority of funds raised locally remain in that community to fund innovative education, screening

and treatment programs targeting the underserved. The remainder is contributed to the National Grant Program.

The Affiliate Network not only enables the Foundation to spread the news of early detection, but also serves as the voice of women and their families throughout the country.

For more information about breast cancer, see the Susan G. Komen web site, at www.komen.org. For information about the Central Texas Affiliate, call Shirley Moore, at (254) 754-4526, or Mary Steele, 778-4688.

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Pianist Valeri Grokhovski will play *Piano Concerto No. 1 in C* by Ludwig von Beethoven on 8 p.m. May 7 in the Mary Alice Marshall Fine Arts Auditorium on the Temple College Campus.

Other selections on the program include *Roman Carnival Overture* by Hector Berlioz, *El Salon Mexico* by Aaron Copland, and *Romeo and Juliet* by Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky.

The concert is the last on the symphony's 1998-99 concert season. Single tickets, are \$ 10 for adult and \$5 for students, and may be purchased at Holze's, Key-

boards of Texas, the Cultural Activities Center, Scott and White Public Affairs, and the Temple College Public Information Office.

Dr. Grokhovski is an Assistant Professor of Music at the University of Texas at San Antonio. He received his bachelor's, master's and doctorate degrees from the Russian Academy of Music formerly called the Gnessin Music College. He came to the University of Texas at San Antonio in 1991 where he teaches applied piano, chamber music, and piano ensemble.

Dr. Grokhovski has performed as soloist with the San Antonio Symphony, the Moscow State Orchestra, the Moscow Youth Orchestra and the UTSA Symphony Orchestra. He has also given solo recitals, lectures, and master classes in the Czech Republic, Switzerland, and Germany as well as Russia.

Equally at home in the classical and jazz idioms, Grokhovski is very active as an adjudicator and in organizing, supervising, and directing international workshops and master classes in England and the

classes in England and the Czech Republic. He will present a lecture/demonstration/master class to the public on Thursday, 12:30 p.m. May 6 at the Alice Marshall Fine Arts Center at Temple College. The class will feature a few of the more advanced and gifted local area piano students and will be free and open to the public.

The orchestra will be conducted by Thomas Fairlie, Chairman of the Performing Arts Department and Director of Instrumental Music at Temple College.

Holy Trinity Students competed in academics and arts competition

Nine Holy Trinity Catholic High School students traveled to Concordia University in Austin on April 9-10 to compete in the TAPPS (Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools) 1A/2A state academic and art competition. The students qualified for state by placing in the top four in their event at the dis-

trict competition held in March.

Holy Trinity 9th and 10th grade students competed against 9-12th grade students with the following results: Andrew Borys placed 3rd in Computer Aided Design; Moreen O'Brien placed 2nd in Calculator and 7th in Mathematics; John Reilly placed

9th in Mathmatics; Ricky Riyadi place 1st in Advanced Mathematics; Krystal Sackett placed 2nd in Literary Criticism; Chad Williams placed 7th in Persuasive Speaking; and Micah Wisinski placed 6th in Calculator. Also attending were Daniel Kliever for History and Jullia Salinas

for Spanish. Veronica Donnor of Salado won 1st place in vocal solo at the TAPPS 1A/2A state music competition March 26 at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. Veronica's piano accompanist was Valerie Bolton of Temple.

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taking their inspiration from the wonderful art in the museum. This Garden Club of America sanctioned major flower show, one of only a few in the country, displays floral arrangements alongside the art that inspired them. The floral extravaganza will showcase more than 400 floral and horticultural displays by garden club experts. In one of the most popular and imaginative categories, flower arrangements will be created to interpret masterpieces from the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston's permanent collection, reflecting the mood and spirit of the art. The Garden Club of Houston, River Oaks Garden Club and the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston guarantees visitors an extraordinary

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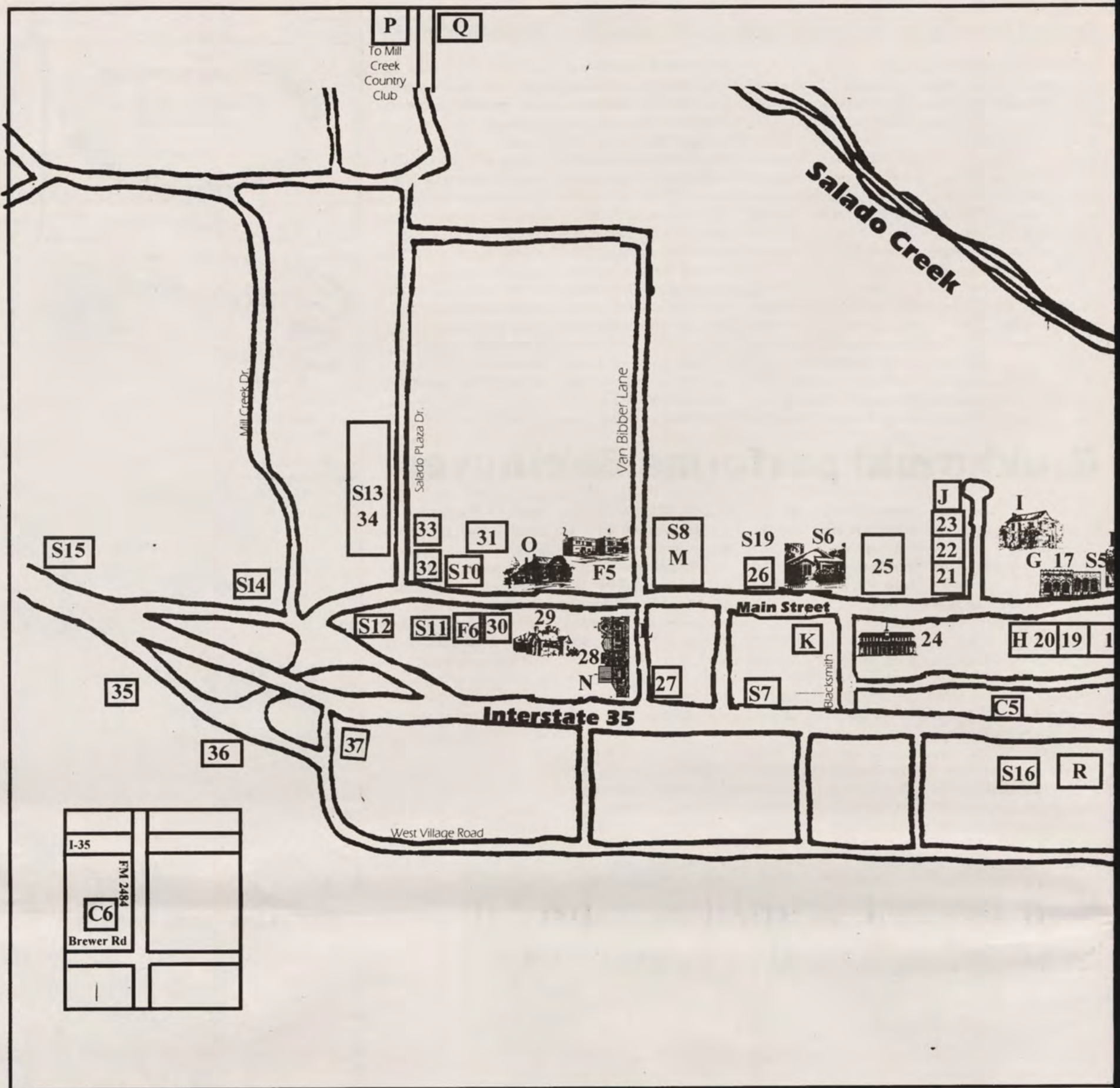
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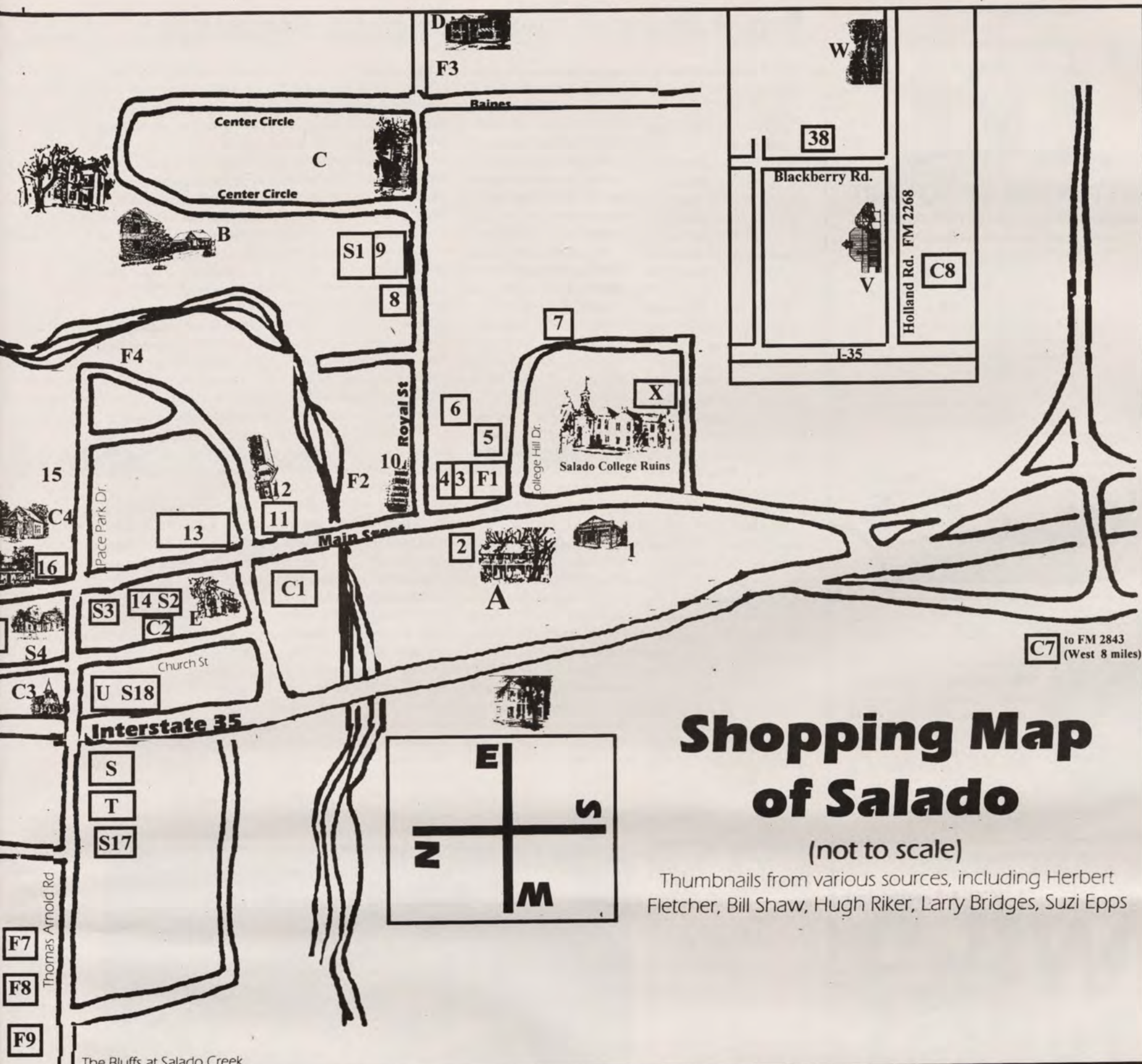


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| 3. Salado Galleries | Main Street | 254/947-5110 | 23. Aunt Granny's | #3 Rock Creek | 254/947-5520 |
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| The Royal Emporium | Main & Royal | 254/947-5718 | Angelic Herbs | Old Town Salado | 254/947-1909 |
| 11. OLD MILL PLAZA | Main St. at the Creek | | Texan by Design | Old Town Salado | 254/947-4479 |
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| Bundle of Joy | Creekside Center | 254/947-0609 | 33. Elise & Co. | off Main St. behind Fletcher's | 254/947-1068 |
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Shopping Map of Salado

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C5.	Salado Church of Christ	I-35 at Blacksmith Rd.	254/947-5241
C6.	Grace Baptist Church	FM 1670 West of Salado	254/947-5917
C7.	Cedar Valley Baptist Church	FM 2843 (8 miles west)	254/947-0148
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Rep. Huthcinson speaks to Bell Co. Republicans

by Tim Fleischer
Editor-in-Chief

Arkansas Rep. Asa Hutchinson, one of the House managers in the Senate trial of President Clinton, discussed the principles taught to him by his father with Bell County Republicans gathered at the Expo center in Belton April 26.

Rep. Hutchinson said his father worked on the family farm and in a local chicken plant.

His example taught four basic principles which Rep. Hutchinson said the Republican Party represents today: "Work hard, pay your debts, stand up for what you believe in and help your neighbors."

Republicans pushed through Welfare Reform, which will save \$40 billion over five years. "But more importantly than that is the change of a generational entitlement program to a temporary assistance program," Rep. Hutchinson said.

In order to work hard, Rep. Hutchinson added, Americans must have the opportunity to work and must be equipped to work.

Republicans know that the innovative "ideas for

education do not come from Washington, D.C. They come from the classroom and the communities," Rep. Hutchinson said. "The Educational Flexibility Act lets the states and local districts make the decisions about how to best education their children."

Republicans understand that the government should not penalize those who work hard. "How can we encourage the small business owner to take the risks when we tax them so highly," Rep. Hutchinson said.

"We must pay our debts," Rep Hutchinson said, adding that "this generation's legacy to the next generation should not be a federal debt it cannot pay back."

By holding the line on spending, Rep. Hutchinson said, Republicans expect to see that the federal government pays down \$1.8 trillion of the \$5.4 trillion national debt.

"I have friend who tell me that they would gladly give up tax relief to pay down the national debt," he added, saying that the two aren't mutually exclusive.

Rep. Hutchinson pointed to President Reagan and even Democrat President Kennedy as ad-

vocates of tax relief.

"Tax relief moves the economy forward," he said, "but more than that, it gives freedom to American families to choose what they want to do with the money they earn by working hard."

Rep. Hutchinson said that Republicans are keeping their word to Senior Citizens on social security. "For the first time, the government is going to keep its hands off the Social Security Trust Fund," he said. "We are not going to rob the Trust Funds to fund other areas of government." "President Clinton said he wants to save 62 percent of the Social Security Trust Fund surplus, which is pretty good," Rep. Hutchinson said. "Republicans think we should save all of it."

Another word that the government should take care in keeping is the word of the United States abroad.

"Our credibility as a nation was won by too many lives for it to be fretted away," Rep. Hutchinson said.

Speaking on the engagement of US troops in Kosovo, he said that the reasons for entering that conflict were threefold: to stop human suffering of the

refugees and victims of ethnic cleansing, to stand behind the credibility of NATO and to stabilize the region.

"Since we have been engaged in bombing there," he said, "the human suffering has increased, the credibility of NATO is on the line like never before, and the instability of the region has increased."

Republicans should continue to stand up for what they believe, like Ronald Reagan.

"People disagreed with him vehemently," he said, "but they liked and respected him because they knew his convictions. He stated them in gracious but firm terms."

He said it was important to take the lead in areas of campaign finance reform, rather than being dragged along.

Finally, we should always help our neighbors.

"But what can government do to help with that," Rep. Hutchinson asked. "Nothing."

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- 1 tsp. baking soda
- 1/4 tsp. baking powder
- 4 tsp. cinnamon
- 2 cups sugar
- 1 small package strawberry flavored gelatin
- 1-1/2 tsp. strawberry extract
- 1-1/2 tsp. butter flavored extract
- 1-1/4 cup cooking oil
- 4 eggs
- 2 small packages frozen strawberries, thawed
- 1 cup chopped pecans

Sift flour, soda, salt cinnamon and baking powder. Blend sugar, gelatin, eggs and extracts. Add oil alternately with sifted ingredients. Blend well! Stir in strawberries and chopped pecans. Pour batter into greased and floured loaf pans. Bake at 300 to 350 for 60 to 75 minutes. Makes 2 large loaves, 3 medium loaves or 4 small loaves. Cool in pans before removing.



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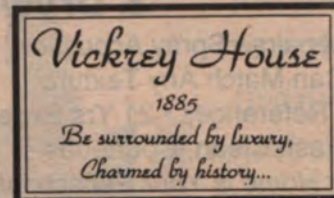
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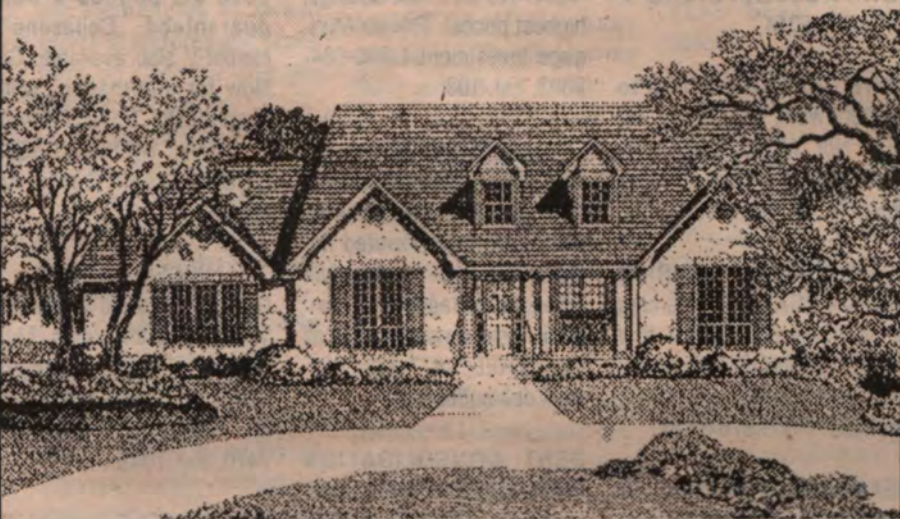


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- Ceramic tile with chocolate Travertine marble accents
- Upgraded Cat. 5 phone line
- Large! Large! Utility room
- 3-car garage - one bay could become a room
- Gourmet kitchen-upgraded appliances
- \$199,500
- Oak trees and deer
- Open living area
- Security system
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Real Estate Tip of the Week

Preparing Your Home For The Market

Most real estate experts agree: buying or selling a home ranks among the most stressful experience of adult life. It can get to the point of being an emotional battle of wills between buyers, sellers and real estate agents all wanting the best deal for the house. By the time a home inspection is arranged, the buyer is convinced he's paying too much for the house, the seller swears he's giving the house away and the real estate agents are hoping to keep the deal alive.

In spite of all this, the home inspection is a critical process. Nobody wants to buy a "bad" house. The inspector's job is to carefully check the home's structural and mechanical systems for problems that can lead to a big repair later. However, there are many things a seller can do to get the home ready for an inspection and ready to bring the highest price possible.

Most people buy homes because they've outgrown their existing house or apartment and need more space for a growing family. As a home seller, your product is that space - the more you have to sell them the higher the price you're likely to get. Begin by eliminating excess furniture, cleaning out your garage and storage spaces and taking every opportunity to create a wide-open look. Cluttered rooms do not show well to prospective buyers.

Paint the inside of your house from top to bottom with off-white paint. A fresh paint job will go a long way toward helping prospective buyers envision their decorating preference.

Next, get all of your mechanical systems serviced by qualified contractors. It is generally not expensive and is extremely important in presenting your property as well cared for. Service your air conditioning system, clean your furnace, repair plumbing leaks, correct ant electrical switches or outlets that are not working. Fix any minor problems found before they become major ones.

Once you're finished inside the house, freshen up the exterior. Repair rotted trim, cut back trees and invest in some new landscapes.

A professional home inspection is a valuable way to get expert help on the pre-sale process. While buyers will often want their own inspection, you will be far ahead of the game if you have an impartial expert check your house beforehand.

☆Downtown Salado In the Village☆

2 lots on the beautiful Salado Creek in the very private Pace Park area. Water & septic in place for your new home.

10+ acres with 3BR/2BA, FP, Den with custom gun case, tac building. Covered 2-carport, panoramic view. Bell County and Florence ISD. Buyer Ready at \$148,500.

Land - Ranch - Homesite - Investment

980 acres - Will Divide - Owner Finance Available - 10 ac tracts & up. Salado Creek runs through it. Fantastic views & home sites. Just 15 min. to Salado or Georgetown, Williamson County/Florence ISD.

\$9,500: City lots in Florence with sewer and water.

\$66,000: 777 Ranch Estates. 6.6 acres with improvements.

1+ acre homesites with panoramic views, water, wooded, Florence ISD, Bell County.

\$210,000: 21+ acres, 3B/2B FP, 2 story custom home - private views. 20 additional acres available - Florence ISD.

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The Cost of Closing on Your New Home Loan

When you buy a home you typically pay two kinds of closing or settlement costs: charges for title examinations, document preparation surveys, etc.; additional charges include prepaid interest and escrow deposits for real estate taxes and insurance. You may also pay loan origination fees to the lender. The costs in this chart are approximate. Always feel free to check with mortgage lenders by phone for closing cost estimates.

STANDARD CHARGES TYPICAL ON ALL LOANS

• Appraisal Fee	\$300.00
• Credit Report	\$55.00
• Tax Related Service Fee	\$110.00
• Closing or Escrow Fee	\$100.00
• Attorney Fees	\$200.00
• Mortgage Title Insurance ..	\$150.00
• Recording Fees	\$40.00
• Survey	\$180.00
• Courier Fees	\$50.00
• Underwriting	\$175.00
SUB-TOTAL	\$1360.00

OTHER COSTS DETERMINED BY LOAN SIZE, LOAN TYPE & DATE OF CLOSING

• Loan Origination Fee	\$ _____
• Pre-Paid Interest	\$ _____
• Private Mortgage Insurance	\$ _____
(For loans over 80% of value)	
• 1 Year Hazard Insurance	\$ _____
(Quoted by insurance agent)	
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Homey Victorian on Royal St. Room for a horse on one acre with beautiful live oaks! Upstairs bonus room for second living and 4th bedroom, perfect for the "teen room" or study. \$130,000.



One-of-kind Estate Home: Totally remodeled kitchen with the top of the line appliances. Other updates throughout the home and property 5BR/5BA and 2 half-baths. On 3.3+ beautifully-treed acres. Privacy fenced with gated entry. Mirrored exercise room, marble floor gallery leading to a 24X22 master bedroom with huge luxury master bath. Swimming Pool, pool house and spa!



If you'd like a custom home, but would rather not wait for one, see this! Oak Flooring in living areas and dining. Split bedroom plan, cultured marble baths, elegant master suite with luxury bath. View of Golf Course! \$199,900.



Family-styled home and Golfer's Dream all in one great property! 4BR with master suite downstairs. Elegant formal dining. Beautifully landscaped with extensive decking provides great areas for outside enjoyment at the fairway's edge, \$199,900.



Mill Creek Townhomes with views of Robert Trent Jones II Golf Course, beautiful, winding, spring-fed Salado Creek. Convenient location to golf, tennis, fine dining, shopping, living. Landscape maintenance and other services. Homes have heated areas of 2,000 to 2,800 SF. Prices range from \$134,900 to \$149,000.



"The Texas Star" by Drews Custom Homes. Now available in The HomePlace, the historic district's own settlement of reproductions of folk cottages of the late 1800s. Antique mantles, wood floors, antique stained glass accent windows. State of the art construction, materials and quality of workmanship. Close to shopping, landmarks and Salado Creek. 3BR/2 1/2 BA. \$168,500.

Truly One of a Kind: Feature home in Texas Homes magazine in 1983. Classic design/built by Darwin Britt. 23' ceilings, massive aged timbers, wood floors, two hand-built fireplaces. A must see for the discriminating buyer. \$299,900.

Homesites Available

- 2 acres on FM 2843, \$12,500.
- 1.6 acres, Live Oak Estates, \$20,000.
- 1/2-acre on Quail Hollow, Mill Creek, \$22,500
- 1/2-acre on West Amity Rd., \$8,500.

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Home Improvement Tip of the Week

"Area Ceilings," Not Area Rugs Help Define Living Spaces


Open floor plans are becoming an increasingly popular design trend in today's homes. The reason: they go well with modern life-styles because they allow activities in the home to easily spill from one part of the house to another.

Open floor plans, however, don't always clearly define or separate one space from another. For example, where does a dining area end and a living area begin?

In the past, homeowners have used furniture placement, wall colors or area rugs to help define these spaces. Now designers have added another option: "area ceilings."

The idea behind the new interior design concept is similar to that of an area rug, only on a different surface. In the case of an area ceiling, designers break up the bland, white expanse of a flat drywall ceiling by varying the ceiling material. They do so by simply installing 12"x12" ceiling tiles onto an existing drywall ceiling over the area they want to highlight.

Ceiling tiles have no visible grid system, which makes them the best choice for an area ceiling. Installation is fast and easy because of a tongue and groove design that helps assure proper alignment, a level surface and a smooth fit. And, they can be painted to coordinate with other furnishings.



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YOU COULDN'T ASK FOR MORE - Beautiful home built by JD Blevins in Mill Creek across from golf course. 3 BD, 2 BA, den and great room, kitchen with breakfast area, custom wood shutters, gorgeous landscaping, golf cart garage, office area & workshop. A must see, too much to include in one ad. ONLY \$187,000.

IN LOVE WITH THE OLD BUT WANT NEW - then this house is just for you. Early Texas style home only 1 yr old. 2 BD, 2 BA, antique fireplace, hardwood floors, security system, picture perfect landscaping and sprinkler system. \$149,900.

A PLACE TO RELAX - Is what you will find at this 2 BD, 2 BA, home East of Salado that sits under a huge oak tree on 2 acres with a motor home garage. \$159,000.

CUSTOM BUILT by Blevins - Beautiful Mill Creek, 4 BR, 2-1/2 BA, formal areas, family room w/fireplace, fabulous kitchen, 9 foot ceilings, 3 car garage, covered deck and so much more! \$212,500.

VIEW LAKE BELTON - from this 3 BD, 2 BA home with 2 decks, lots of closets, pergot floors in kitchen, ceiling fans, berber carpet, bonus room off master suite for sitting or study area. Close enough to walk to the water, \$144,900.



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Residential Listings

\$39,521: Just listed! You can afford this charming 3 BR, 1 BA home with 2 car carport. Large fenced yard. Convenient neighborhood.

\$79,000: Cozy 3BR/2BA brick home with fireplace. Recently painted and carpeted. On wooded lot.

\$94,521: Carefree townhome living with super value! 2BR/2BA with updated carpet and paint in 1998. Large open living, formal dining with built-in china cabinets, breakfast room with built-in desk and adjoining tiled outdoor patio.

\$129,821: Relax on the long front porch of this Southern Plantation-style cottage. Just built in 1997 with 50-year concrete lap siding. Nice open floorplan.

\$129,921: 3 BR, 2 BA patio home across from Pro Shop. Only 4 years old. One living, one dining, 2 car garage. Garden Tub in Master Bath. Covered porch. Extra lot available.

\$139,900: Across the street from Mill Creek pool, pro shop and driving range. New construction. Established yard with sprinkler system. 3BR/2BA, 2 dining, large utility area. Vaulted ceiling in Master BR. Great master bath. 2+ car garage.

\$144,821: Cornerstone Custom Homes presents this 4BR home featuring ceramic tile, custom wood mouldings, volume ceilings, whirlpool tub and designer features.

\$154,521: Sparkling clean 3BR, 2BA home with Garden Room, only 6 years old. Features water softener, Culligan filtered drinking water, marble entry, glass fireplace screen, 10' coffered ceilings, Berber carpet, leaded glass & Mahogany wood front door. The professionally landscaped yard has a garden area & sprinkler system.

\$156,521: Light and bright with open floor plan and high ceilings. This well maintained home features ceramic tile, fireplace in Master bedroom and living room, plus a balcony off Master bedroom. Landscaping, deck, sprinkler & privacy fence.

\$159,021: 3 BR/2BA home sits on a heavily wooded lot in Mill Creek. Backyard has an iron fence that overlooks undeveloped land. 2 dining, one living and a study completes this home. 3 car garage makes it very convenient for the golfer.

\$164,500: Wonderful gazebo in backyard with large storage area. Dog run. Fountain in backyard. Privacy fence. Hardwood floors in Livingroom, dining room and kitchen. Sun room. Wet bar. 3 car garage. Only 4 years old. Sprinkler system.

\$174,500: Delightful Victorian home on one wooded acre. Large bonus room upstairs with two bedrooms and bath. Master downstairs. Separate apartment with one living room, one bedroom, bath & kitchen. 4 car carport.

\$179,500: Large 5BR/3 1/2 BA on wooded lot in excellent location in Mill Creek.

\$183,800: Relax and enjoy the fantastic view of Stillhouse Lake from the second story balcony of this 4BR, 2-1/2BA home. Light and bright breakfast room, 3 car garage. All on 2.58 acres.

\$199,500: Golfers paradise! New home on Mill Creek Golf Course. 3 BR, 2 BA. Formal dining & living room that views golf course. Windows surround large breakfast room. 2 car garage with golf cart garage.

\$220,000: Quality just built home beautifully situated on 2.67 wooded acres. Additional 2 car garage/workshop. Many excellent features. In the Woods of Salado.

\$239,800: More than just a home! A separate office area overlooks the pool and could be guest quarters with a full bath and kitchenette. The view off the deck surrounding the pool is very relaxing. Shower off outside after swimming. Extra storage area. Quality finishing touches, great floorplan!

\$275,000: Executive home on 20 acres! Master suite has a fireplace along with a fireplace in the family room. Formal dining and living rooms. Kitchen is bright with breakfast nook. 5BR, 3-1/2 BA

\$545,000: Incredible architectural design, expert craftsmanship and professional interior decorating. Over 5,200 SF, 5 BR, 4-1/2 BA, Gameroom, 3 fireplaces, 3 car garage on 4.165 wooded acres.



\$144,900: Perfect location! Under construction. Brick home on breathtaking wooded lot. Open living and formal dining. 4BR/2BA.



\$344,800: Texas-style Ranchette. Spectacular view on 7.7 wooded acres. 3,900 SF 4BR Austin stone with tin roof has formals, family room with stone fp, open kitchen, gameroom. Spacious MBR. Hardwood floors, landscaped. RV/boat storage.



\$329,000: Custom built home on beautifully landscaped lot in Royal Oaks. 3 large bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths. Many extras, water well, 3 car garage & workshop, built-in cabinets in den and dining room.



\$239,000: Early Texas farm house built in 1991 in Victorian Oaks. Large, open gameroom overlooks in-ground heated pool and spa. 4BR/2-1/2BA with three living areas and two dining make this home great for entertaining. Homeowner warranty.



\$199,500: Recently completed 3BR/2-1/2 BA stone custom home with multiple upgrades. Over 2,400 SF of open living with oversized 3 car garage, nestled among oaks & deer on 1.6 ac. Owner transferring. Priced under market value.



\$145,000: Patio home with excellent view of Mill Creek golf course. Living area and master bedroom has view of fairway. 2-car garage with golf cart entry. Iron fence. 2BR plus office.



\$39,821: Across from Southwest Elementary School, this 2BR/1BA home has a 26X20 workshop on a concrete slab and a 2 car carport. Washer, dryer & refrigerator conveys.



\$249,500: Great Buy! Too good to miss! This two story custom home with a view is in excellent condition. 3 bedroom & study, 2-1/2 bath.

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Residential Listings

\$239,900: Large 3 BR/2-1/2 BA home with beautiful open kitchen on 10 acres of outstanding. Large workshop with attached office. Just 10 minutes from Temple in Salado ISD.

\$230,000: Austin Stone covered y. 3/2/2 with extra large master bedroom and bathroom suite. Stone porch, gorgeous trees and acreage. Just minutes from downtown Salado.

\$195,000: Price Reduced. Beautiful two-story on Mill Creek golf course. Newly wallpapered, carpeted and updated. Walking distance to pro shop.

\$169,500: PRICE REDUCED. LIKE NEW! See!! This large home backs up to the #8 fairway. 3BR/2BA/2 car garage with beautiful pool with deck and not tub.

\$129,900 NEW LISTING: On wooded 2.7 acres. One living with fireplace formal dining. Split master. Just minutes from Salado or Killeen area.

\$125,000: Ranch style wood frame on acreage. One large living with vaulted ceiling. Extra bedroom and bath. Brick front porch adds to the peaceful setting.

\$97,500: Frame 3/2/1 close to downtown. 2 living rooms with hardwood floors. Won't let you down!!

\$67,000: Excellent investment in Mill Creek townhouse. Fully furnished, live-in or rent out. Outstanding view of Salado. Easy access to shopping, golf course, and dining.



\$214,900: Authentic Ranch Style home with a panoramic view from hillside located on 11 acres 6 miles south of Salado. 4-2-3 All Texas-sized rooms. Split master with adjoining study. 8 Stall barn with 10 working pens and several storage/tack rooms.

Acreage Available Salado Area

Thomas Arnold: 5 acres overlooking beautiful canyon west of Salado. \$60,000. Owner finance.

The Bluffs at Salado Creek : Beautiful views of Salado Creek. Owner Financing.

Live Oak Estates: 1.79 acres with large pecan trees. \$22,500.

1/2 acre lot with scattered trees, seasonal creek. \$13,500.

IH-35 & Rose Lane: 37.65 acres many large live oak trees fronting IH-35 and Rose Lane. \$229,900.

FM2115 : 24 acres - \$2,500 per acre.

Cedar Valley and FM2843: 80 acres rolling hill country setting with excellent tree cover and views. \$3,500 per acre, owner financing.

FM2484 2 mile northwest: 114 acres fronting FM2484. Beautiful park like setting. \$2,500 per acre.

Smith Dairy Road: 30 acres with excellent views from hill top. \$2,000 per acre, owner financing.

FM2484 West of the Woods of Salado: 5 acres fronting 2484. Heavy wooded. \$35,000.

Belton Area

Hwy 317 and Poison Oak Road: 26.3 acres heavy wooded will divide. Owner financing. \$129,900.

Sand and Gravel Road: 2 one acre tracts. \$15,000 per tract.

Shady Lane: Lots with sewage and water. \$7,995.

Poison Oak Road.: 12 acres with septic and water.

Commercial Property

Excellent Investment Property. Perfect for bed and breakfast inn. Two houses on 1 acre on Van Bibber.

Mill Creek Townhouse: Furnished, above creek, live in or rent out, \$67,000.

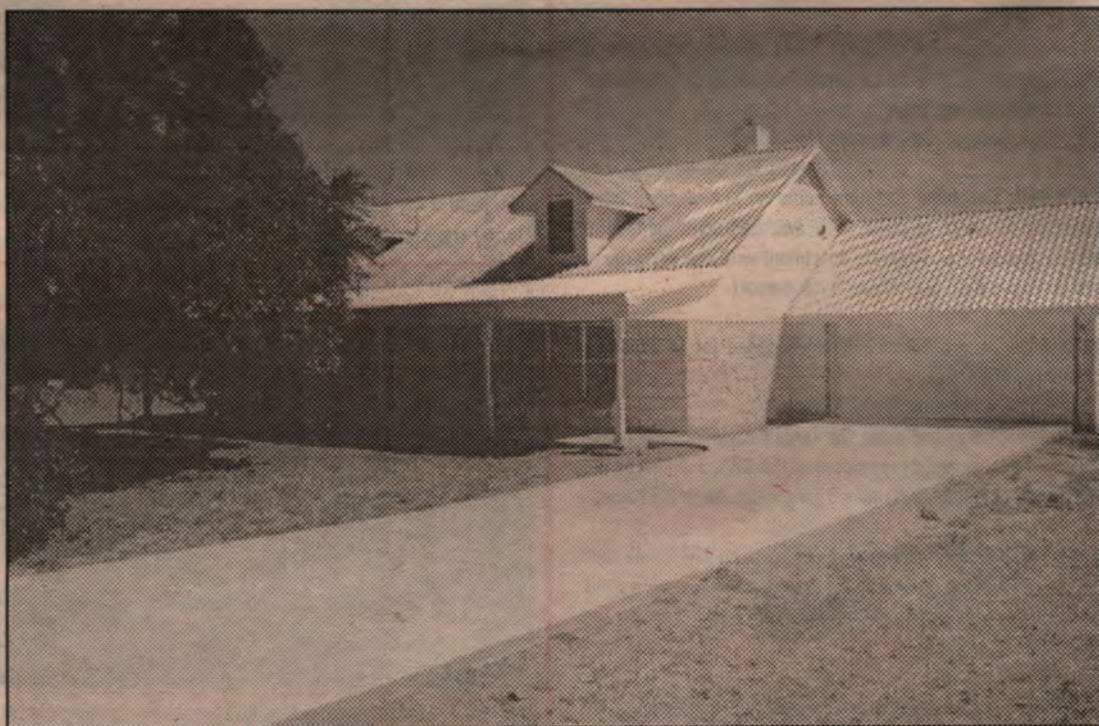
3 acres fronting I-35, 1 mile S. of Salado, \$45,000.



Home of the Week

\$112,500:

Peaceful country setting 15 minutes from temple or Killeen area. 3-2-2 all-brick on approx. 1.5 acres. Recently painted and carpeted. Formal living and den with fireplace. Large Live Oak trees. Well.



\$144,900: PRICE REDUCED New Construction! Austin Stone, beautiful live oaks trees. 3BR/2BA/2-car garage, on large lot, open floor plan, Large Trees and beautifully landscaped with sprinkler system. Builder will consider trade.

Go West to discover one of the best-kept secrets of Salado

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Acreage with Salado Creek views.

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West of Salado with utilities....lots.



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