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Election May 2 will decide future of Salado Library

by Tim Fleischer
Editor-in-Chief

Voters will decide the future course for the Salado Public Library May 2 when they vote on whether or not to form the Salado Public Library District, authorizing it to collect a 1/2-cent sales tax.

With just one day remaining in early voting, 215 cast ballots in the library district election.

The Library District, if approved by voters, will be run by a five-member board of trustees to be elected in general elections.

Trustees to the proposed Library District will serve two-year terms with seats coming up for election on alternating years.

Presently, the Library is run by a voluntary board of directors elected from the membership of the Friends of the Library. Dr. Robert McConnell is President of the Library Board of Directors.

The 1/2-cent sales tax levy is expected to generate approximately \$75,000 in annual revenues for the Library, if the District is approved.

The Library District, which
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Frank Carlson



Carse Williams



Juana Preston

SISD voters to choose 2 at Trustee election May 2

Salado ISD voters will elect Trustees to fill two three-year terms on the Board May 2.

Election day polling will be 7 a.m.-7 p.m. May 2 at the Thomas Arnold Elementary School Cafeteria.

Qualified voters can vote for up to two candidates on the ballot.

The candidates, as they appear on the ballot, are Frank Carlson, Carse Williams and Juana Preston.

With just one day left in early voting, 208 Salado ISD voters cast ballots in the Trustee election.

A Candidate Forum was sponsored by the Salado Chamber of Commerce April 27, after deadline for the *Salado Village Voice*.

However, all three candidates responded to a questionnaire given to them by the *Salado Village Voice*.

Frank Carlson

Frank Carlson is owner and operator of Cathy's Boardwalk Cafe in Salado. He has a bachelor's degree in Business. He and wife Cathy have been married 18 years and have two children, Amy, a ninth grader in Salado; and Frank, an 8th grader in Salado.

He has lived in the school district eight years.

Carse Williams

Carse Williams is a retired small business owner. He attended public schools in Kentucky.

He and his wife of 40 years, Bobbi, have two sons -- Brad and Todd -- and three grandchildren.

Williams has lived in Salado for three years.

Juana Preston

Juana Preston is a house-

wife. She is a graduate of Salado High School, Temple Junior College and Bauder College.

She and her husband Ricky John Preston have one daughter, Amber.

She is a native of Salado, living here all her life.

The following questions were offered to the candidates and here are their responses:

1. What do you offer as a candidate to the Salado I.S.D. Board?

Carlson: As a candidate, I can offer the district the dedication and determination to do a better job managing the business of our children.

Williams: "Independence. Knowledge. Dedication and Common Sense."

Preston: As a candidate to the SISD Board of Trustees, I

See SISD election, page 20A

SHS Region IV Champs at Academic Contest

Salado High School captured the Region IV-AA Academic Championship April 25 with 177 points and qualified eight individuals and four teams for the State Meet.

Salado easily outdistanced the 60 team field during the meet held at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos. Academy High School of Kingsville was a distant second place with 96 points and San Antonio Randolph was third place with 89 points.

Salado is advancing to the

State Meet for the sixth consecutive year in Number Sense and for the fifth consecutive year in Mathematics. This marks the second straight year for advancing to State in Literary Criticism and Headline Writing.

Following are the individual and team results for Salado at the Regional Meet:

Headline Writing: Kristin Cawthon, first, advancing to State.

Spelling & Vocabulary: Rachel McGregor, first, ad-
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Phone users can choose up to four area cities for ELC at no extra charge

The deadline is nearing for Saladoans to vote for expanded telephone service to four area cities -- at no additional charge.

Even the long distance charges presently incurred when calling these cities will be eliminated, if voters approve.

Calling from Salado to Killeen, Nolanville, Florence and Little River is currently considered long distance. But Saladoans can call these cities on a local basis -- like calling to Belton and Temple without a toll charge -- by simply voting for Expanded Toll-Free Local Calling (ELC).

Saladoans with the telephone exchange 947 petitioned

the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to expand their local calling area. The PUC then directed Sprint, which handles Salado's phone service, to survey all customers in the 947 exchange.

Ballots sent to Saladoans with telephone exchange 947 must be postmarked no later than May 4. Ballots must include a signature. They must also include a telephone number (unless the number is unlisted).

If 70 percent of those who return ballots vote "yes" to approve ELC for the four cities, their exchanges will be added to Salado's local calling area at no additional charge.

If these exchanges fail to re-
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Big band sounds at Civic Center April 30 provided by Ivy Band

The fabulous sound of the big band era will be featured by the Fourth Infantry Division's orchestra when they present their annual Spring concert 7:30 p.m. April 30 in the bandstand area of the Salado Civic Center complex.

Fred Catchings, bandmaster of the famed Ivy Division musical group, has promised some great tunes from the 1930's and 1940's for the enjoyment of villagers who are especially invited to the free concert and evening of informal entertain-

ment and enjoyment.

The Civic Center Foundation is hosting the concert so that Saladoans will have a chance to come together for a pleasant evening to enjoy memorable music.

The concert also gives Saladoans an opportunity to thank the men and women of the 1-4 Aviation Regiment that was teamed up with the village in a unique "Partnership." This partnership arrangement brought both the civilian and military together in a team effort that resulted in having our

"partners" work with Salado in the many volunteer activities over the past two years as well as giving villagers a chance to visit Fort Hood for an inside view of the world's largest army training center.

Salado will be saying farewell to Lt. Colonel Doug Eller, commanding officer of the 1-4 air group as he prepares to leave for a new assignment at the Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Montgomery, Alabama.

Also departing the 1-4 will
See Concert, page 13A

FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas

The Bones Brothers

by Tumbleweed Smith

I was reading in the Monahans News about a school administrator who had just come to town. The paper mentioned he played bones as a hobby.

I don't know about you, but stuff like that intrigues me and I can't just read that without wanting to know more. I called up the man, Tom Johnson, and asked him about his bone playing. He seemed anxious to talk, so we agreed to meet at the Monahans radio station.

He had a bag of bones with him. Some were wooden, some were real cow bones. He plays them by holding two bones in one hand and banging them together. They sound like castanets. Sometimes he plays with two bones in each hand.

He demonstrated how the different woods sound. He would pick up a pair and beat out a rhythm. "This one is ash," he would say, or "This is ebony. This is hickory." One set was made from a cigar box. These were special. They belonged to his dad, Harold "Bones" Johnson.

Bones Johnson played bones for his family and friends but didn't get serious about playing bones until he retired from an ornamental ironworks firm when he was 62 years old. Then he branched out and began playing at festivals all over Indiana, Ohio and Illinois. Audiences appreciated his unique instruments and he became a popular entertainer.

He turned his welding shop into a woodworking shop and began

making bones for the public from rosewood, oak or ironwood. He gave a free lesson with every set of bones he sold. Harold's brother Norman can play the bones. So can Harold's three sons, David, Larry and Tom.

Tom's son Ben started playing bones when he was six. He's in high school now and occasionally he and his dad will play bones at some event in the Monahans area. With their Midwestern roots, the

father and son bone banging duo bill themselves as Indiana Bones.

Tom got interested in bones when he was in his thirties because he didn't want to see the special art form fall from the family tree.

We got the radio station owner, Hal Callaway, to play some music with a good beat over the huge studio speakers. Tom accompanied the music and the sound of rattling bones filled the room. Tom used both hands

"My dad says you can't be a good bones player unless you can play with both hands at the same time," says Tom. "Besides, if you use two different sets of bones, you get two different sounds." He says one reason his dad became well known was most people had never seen or heard the bones. "They make a very unusual sound and are used just to keep the rhythm."

He says the ability to read music is not necessary to play bones. "Just feel the rhythm in your body and if you can pat your feet, you can play bones."

Except for his dad, his two brothers and his son, Tom has never seen another bones player.



Battle of press releases between Sharp, Perry for Texas Lt. Gov.

The battle for Lieutenant Governor between Comptroller John Sharp and Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry is shaping up as a rough and tumble clash despite the fact that we are still 187 days away from the general election.

The foofaraw has, in recent days, degenerated into a battle of press releases with surrogates blasting the enemy with innuendo, manipulated financial figures plus some charges that border on unethical and illegal behavior, while leaving the high road to the candidates who like to distance themselves from the dirty end of the political stick.

Sharp and Perry, former roommates at Texas A&M, are deep in a "take no prisoners" struggle as shown in a recent foray into the nether region of hardball politics that featured a series of charges by Sharp that his opponent Perry had: "gotten rich while on the public payroll".

"Trader Rick" is what the first Sharp styled press release headlined as it noted that Perry had "somehow" managed to accumulate an estate of over \$2 million while on the state payroll as Ag Comish and before that as a state representative.

Sharp, never known for his reluctance to promote himself while knocking an enemy, had his campaign toadies note a long list of questionable financial gains by Perry that included the purchase of an aircraft at "below market value" from a "friend"; an "inside trade" on a land deal next to a planned multi-million-dollar Austin development and the purchase of a "posh" home in west Austin.

The aggressive Sharp anointed himself with the title of the only true "Fiscal Conservative" in the race for the number two slot in Texas government. All this and more from a died-in-the-wool Democrat who apparently is

Off the Record
by Ken Clapp



lurking around the GOP lick log in hopes of ambushing unsuspecting conservatives into a cross-over vote when the General Election rolls around.

PERRY NOT SHY IN RESPONDING

The Sharp press notices were hardly off the faxes in hundreds of newspaper offices statewide when the Perry machine cranked up - again using campaign functionaries to spread the gospel.

"Not true" these worthies shouted as they took the Sharp charges apart word by word and explained that Commissioner Perry was not only pure as the driven snow but that Sharp was never given to telling the truth!

The Perry camp moved close to saying that Comptroller Sharp might be giving certain business entities tax breaks because of contributions; that Sharp is hiding information requested under the open records law; that the Comptroller is either not telling the truth about his assets or is an "incredibly poor financial manager" as a result of his income-versus-net-worth numbers.

The list of finger-pointed "He did this", "Did not", "Did too" could go on all night but the point is clear. The contest has deteriorated into a "cut and slash" competition of near slander-libel proportions, silly boasts and hearty helpings of self aggrandizement - in other words, a typical Texas campaign for high public office.

IMPORTANCE OF THIS RACE

What is important in this modest tempest-in-a-teapot is that the winner of the Lt. Gov's race could easily be Governor

in a few short years - without having to run for that hungered for position of honor, prestige and power.

Governor Bush is on the road to reelection and unless he trips over a Garry Mauro planted land mine, will become the first chief executive in history elected to consecutive four year terms.

He is also highly motivated to become president of these United States which is only natural given his background and current success as a politician.

Should good fortune strike the young Texas Governor and he becomes either the next President or Veep - then one of the two combatants featured in this column - Sharp or Perry - will become Governor at the turn of the century complete with a leg up for full election in 2002.

BUSH SHOULD WAIT A SPELL

Giving advice to someone with the presidential itch is akin to asking old Eye-of-the-Newt Gingrich to nominate Bill Clinton for a Pulitzer in the field of human relations.

Many Republicans have voiced the idea that George the Younger should stay the course, finish his second term and then take four more years to beat the bushes as a leading contender for the Presidency in 2008. This, they say, would give him the proper age and seasoning for the top job. Sounds like wise advice even though it is hard to wait when the siren call of higher office sounds.

SENSE OF HUMOR NEEDED IN TOWN?

This writer, over the past few weeks has inserted, what was hoped would be some humor into a sometimes heavy column dedicated to the sub-

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vancing to State and Ashley Norman, fourth.

Literary Criticism: Kristin Cawthon, first, advancing to State and Laura Schatte, fifth.

The Literary Criticism team of Cawthon, Schatte and Julie Gamble placed first, advancing to State.

Number Sense: Barry Hodge, first, advancing to State; Michelle Lenis, third, advancing to State; Shane Rigsby, fourth.

The Number Sense Team of

Hodge, Lenis and Rigsby placed first, advancing to State.

Calculator Applications: Gregory Dachs, first, advancing to State; Chad Kiphart, second, advancing to State; John Woolard, sixth.

The Calculator Team of Dachs, Kiphart and Woolard placed first, advancing to state.

Mathematics: Barry Hodge, second, advancing to State and Ashley Norman, fourth.

The Mathematics Team of

Hodge, Norman and Lenis placed first, advancing to State.

Science: Paul Lucas, sixth. This will be the first trip to State in Spelling and Calculator Applications.

Coaches for the academic competitors are these: Claudia Cabaniss, spelling and vocabulary; Dennis Cabaniss, number sense, calculator and mathematics; Connie Fiebig, headline writing; Jeanne Moran, literary criticism; and Danny Quick, science.

Library sponsors monthly pre-school reading program

The Salado Public Library has a preschool reading program each month. These programs are for children ages 3 to 5 years. They are on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 10 to 11 a.m. at the library. There are stories, activities, and a treat.

In May, the theme is Mother's Day and mice; June

is Father's Day and cowboys. More to follow each second Wednesday.

Parents are invited to stay. "Our goal is to acquaint them with the library and it's use and to encourage the enjoyment and love of good books at this early age," Pat Milford said. "Please bring your little ones to a great time of fun!"

Record

ject of politics and those who practice it - with or without license.

First came the April Fool's story about annexation and later the tongue-in-cheek report on Eeyore's Birthday being moved to Salado complete with all the foolishness associated with that free and easy day in Austin.

Despite plenty of warnings throughout both stories, we still got phone calls and letters blasting annexation by those **blatherskites in Temple and Belton** who would steal away our village.

As for moving Eeyore to Salado, some felt this to be a true movement that would be tantamount to erecting a Gentleman's Club on Main Street as was advertised some time ago - purportedly as a joke.

What a few of us apparently need here in Salado is a sense of humor - perhaps introduced

through the water system. Even in small quantities, we might view life with a little less animosity and hubris.

A good laugh, even at one's self, is not considered unscriptural or unnatural. Doctors - even those in managed care asylums have opined the life sustaining value of laughter and humor.

In future - this column will try to remember to place a warning label on all things written with even a touch of drollery, comicality, whimsicality, jocularly or just plain hilarious nuttiness.

We certainly don't want to be responsible for the curmudgeons in our midst to have seizures over what they deem to be unfunny or waggish as it approaches, in their minds, the point of no return - sometimes called "angst"!

Final word on subject - **Lighten Up, Folks!**

That's -30-

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Reception for new superintendent May 6

There will be a public reception introducing Dr. Robin Battershell as the Superintendent for Salado ISD. The re-

ception will be held 6-7 p.m. May 6 at the Salado Civic Center. The public is invited to come and welcome her and her family into our communities

and schools.

There will also be a short board meeting on the same date at 5:45 p.m. to canvass the election.



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Phones

FROM page 1A

ceive a 70 percent "yes" vote from respondents, the exchanges will not be added to Salado's local calling area and service will not change.

Voters must specifically vote for each of the four cities on the ballot.

In 1995, Salado customers approved an ELC petition that added the Temple exchange to their local calling area. As a result, Salado customers currently pay the maximum monthly per-line charge for ELC.

Residence customers pay \$3.50 and business customers pay \$7 for the plan. In fact, the PUC allows customers to pay the same rate for up to five exchanges.

Therefore, Salado residen-

tial customers who already pay \$3.50 a month (or \$7 for businesses) to call Belton and Temple, can add Killeen, Nolanville, Florence and Little River -- and still pay \$3.50.

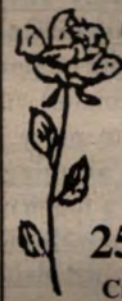
ELC service will allow Salado customers to place local calls to customers in the following exchanges whose telephone numbers begin with the numbers indicated (the area code is added):

Florence (254-793).

Killeen (254-286, 289, 290, 394, 519, 520, 526, 539, 554, 616, 618, 628, 634, 680, 681, 690, 699, 953). *Note:* Harker Heights exchanges are included in this category.

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DOCKET NO. 17809 AMENDED PUBLIC NOTICE

Central Telephone Company of Texas dba Sprint (Sprint) has filed an amended petition with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to change the increase for Expanded Local Calling (ELC) from 34 cents to 41 cents per month per customer line to recover costs for providing the service. This amended petition is submitted under PUC Substantive Rule 23.49 (c) (12) which implements Senate bill 632, 73rd Legislature-Regular Session.

Prior to October 4, 1997, Sprint's local telephone customers paid a \$1.15 fee per month per line to recover ELC costs. Since October 4, 1997, Sprint's local telephone customers have paid an additional 34 cents per month per line to recover ELC costs, a charge which was approved by the PUC on an interim basis. If the amended petition is approved by the PUC, the rate would increase by 7 cents, for a total additional fee of 41 cents. This means that the current fee will increase from a previously approved \$1.49 per month per line to \$1.56 per month per line.

Sprint will continue to collect the previously approved additional monthly amount of 34 cents per line on an interim basis. If the request for the 41 cents per month per line fee is not approved by the PUC, Sprint will increase to the PUC approved amount or refund the appropriate amount if the approved amount is less than 34 cents.

If approved by the PUC, the \$1.56 per month fee would not be billed to customers who currently are paying the maximum charge of \$3.50 for a residential customer or \$7.00 for a business customer.

ELC was created in 1993 by Texas legislation that requires telephone companies to provide toll-free calling between small towns that share a community of interest such as a school or a hospital district. The legislation allows telephone companies to recover costs not paid through customer charges by applying a surcharge to all other customers in the state who do not receive the ELC service, or who do not pay the maximum ELC rate. The maximum monthly ELC rate allowed under state law is \$3.50 per line for residential customers and \$7.00 per line for business customers.

Sprint estimates that the additional monthly fee of 41 cents per month per line will recover the \$817,454.28 in lost revenues and reimburse Sprint for the increased cost of providing ELC service between April 2, 1996 and December 11, 1997.

For questions about the reasons for this charge, please call Sprint at 1-800-788-3500.

The PUC has assigned Docket No. 17809. Persons who wish to intervene in or comment on these proceedings should notify the PUC no later than June 10, 1998. All requests to intervene should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 1701 N. Congress Ave., P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. For information on intervening, please call the PUC at 1-888-782-8477 or 512-936-7120. Hearing and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the PUC at 512-936-7136.

ACTA N° 17809 NOTIFICACIÓN PÚBLICA ENMENDADA

La Central Telephone Company of Texas, que realiza sus operaciones comerciales con el nombre de Sprint (Sprint), ha presentado una solicitud enmendada ante la Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas (PUC) para modificar el incremento al Servicio Ampliado de Llamadas Locales Exentas de Cargos (ELC) de 34 centavos a 41 centavos mensuales por línea cliente, con el propósito de recuperar los costos de proveer este servicio. La solicitud enmendada se presenta según la Regla Sustantiva 23.49(c)(12) de la PUC, que implanta el proyecto de ley 632 de la Sesión Ordinaria de la 73ª Legislatura del Senado.

Antes del 4 de octubre de 1997, los clientes de servicios telefónicos locales de Sprint pagaban una cuota mensual de \$1.15 por línea para recuperar los costos del ELC. A partir del 4 de octubre de 1997, los clientes de servicios de servicios telefónicos locales de Sprint han tenido que pagar 34 centavos adicionales por línea cada mes para que la compañía pueda recuperar los costos del ELC, un cargo que fue autorizado por la PUC de manera provisoria. Si la solicitud enmendada recibe la aprobación de la PUC, la cuota aumentará 7 centavos, para una cuota adicional total de 41 centavos. Esto significa que la cuota actual aumentará de la cantidad previamente aprobada de \$1.49 por mes por línea a \$1.56 por mes por línea.

Sprint seguirá cobrando la cantidad adicional mensual previamente aprobada, de 34 centavos por línea, de manera provisoria. Si la solicitud del incremento de la cuota a 41 centavos mensuales por línea no es aprobada por la PUC, Sprint aplicará el aumento aprobado por la PUC o reembolsará a los clientes la cantidad apropiada si el aumento aprobado es menos de 34 centavos.

Si la solicitud de incremento es aprobada por la PUC, el cargo mensual de \$1.56 no será facturado a los clientes que actualmente pagan el cargo máximo de \$3.50 por cliente residencial o de \$7.00 por cliente comercial.

El ELC fue creado en 1993 como resultado de la ley del estado de Texas que requiere que las compañías telefónicas provean llamadas sin cargos por larga distancia entre poblaciones pequeñas que comparten intereses comunitarios, tal como una escuela o un hospital de distrito. La ley permite que las compañías telefónicas recuperen los costos no pagados a través de cargos a los clientes mediante la aplicación de un cargo adicional a los demás clientes del estado que no reciban el servicio ELC o que no paguen la cuota máxima del ELC. La cuota máxima mensual por el servicio ELC permitida por las leyes estatales es de \$3.50 por línea residencial y de \$7.00 por línea comercial.

Sprint calcula que la cuota mensual adicional de 41 centavos por línea le permitirá recuperar los \$817,454.28 en ingresos perdidos y le reembolsará a Sprint el costo adicional en el que incurrió por proveer el servicio ELC entre el 2 de abril de 1996 y el 11 de diciembre de 1997.

Si tiene alguna pregunta sobre las razones de este cargo, por favor llame a Sprint, al 1-800-788-3500.

La PUC ha asignado a esta Acta el número 17809. Las personas que deseen intervenir en este proceso o presentar sus comentarios al respecto deberán notificar su intención a la PUC antes del 10 de junio de 1998. Todas las solicitudes de intervención deberán enviarse por correo a la Public Commission of Texas, 1701 N. Congress Ave., P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. Si desea obtener información sobre la forma de intervenir, por favor llame a la PUC, al 1-888-782-8477 ó 512-936-7120. Las personas con impedimentos del habla u auditivo que tengan teléfonos de texto (TTY) podrán comunicarse con la PUC al 512-936-7136.

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Library	Population	Library Expenditures per capita	Books per capita	Total collection per capita	Circulations per capita	Number of Employees	Square Footage per capita
Bartlett	1,352	15.88	10.03	10.57	10.79	1.03	1.07
Bastrop	4,346	23.91	5.21	6.08	22.32	3.75	1.38
Buda	3,060	11.49	3.99	4.31	7.42	1.00	1.63
Kyle	3,815	8.75	4.71	4.75	3.08	1.21	0.83
Leander	3,853	5.07	1.94	2.43	2.95	0.65	0.47
McGregor	4,682	3.61	1.95	2.88	2.61	0.50	0.47
Pflugerville	5,286	8.11	1.85	2.55	5.80	1.10	0.40
SALADO	3,300	5.58	2.26	2.47	1.64	0.50	0.53
San Saba	5,588	4.87	1.95	2.65	3.09	0.75	0.89
West	2,605	7.10	9.40	9.92	14.24	0.50	1.92
Averages	3,788	9.43	3.94	4.86	7.41	1.10	1.05

This chart compares resources of Salado Public Library with resources of libraries in municipalities which receive tax dollars. (Provided by Salado Public Library) **Library** FROM Page 1A

may be one of only three possible districts in the state, will have no authority to levy property taxes nor to increase the sales tax levy beyond 1/2-cent.

According to the Local Sales and Use Tax published by the State Comptroller's Office, "the permissible rates for a local sales and use tax levied under this chapter are one-eighth of one percent, one-fourth of one percent, three-eighths of one percent and one-half of one percent."

State tax laws allow for a maximum of two percent sales tax for local governing entities: county, municipalities, transit authorities and special purpose districts.

Once the two percent ceiling is met, no other local governing entities may levy sales tax. Presently, Bell County levies a 1/2-cent sales tax, which is the highest amount it can impose by law. If the Library District passes, the total local tax levy would be one-cent.

The 1/2-cent sales tax levy will bring the Salado Public Library budget from under \$30,000 per year to over \$100,000 per year.

According to supporters of the Library District, this increase in revenues will allow the Library to employ the equivalent of one-and-a-half employees. Presently, the Library employs a half-time librarian. One of the half-time librarians will be dedicated to the children's portion of the library, if the Library District is formed.

The vast majority of books in the Library have been donated by patrons and friends, Dr. McConnell said. In 1997-98, the total budget for book purchase was \$5,500, while an additional \$4,000 grant from the Tocker Foundation was awarded for the purchase of children's books.

If the district is approved, additional income will be available to expand the selection of books at the library, as well as expanding the computer capacity there.

The Library has computers dedicated to research on the Internet and genealogical research.

Proponents of the Library District point to a comparison of SPL with area Libraries within municipalities which receive tax dollars. Almost

across the board, the Salado Public Library falls short per capita in square footage, number of books, dollars, employees and total circulation. Salado Public Library falls far below the average for libraries in other communities of comparable size.

Opponents to the Library District have not been organized, as has opposition in the past to an incorporation election and a bond issue which both failed in 1996.

However, those opponents who have expressed their views say that the formation of the library district will thwart future efforts to incorporate Salado because it will dip into possible tax revenues for a future municipality.

Others say that the \$75,000 which may come from sales tax revenues is far too much money for the library.

Still others say that the role of the library is decreasing in importance as the Internet becomes more accessible to researchers and readers.

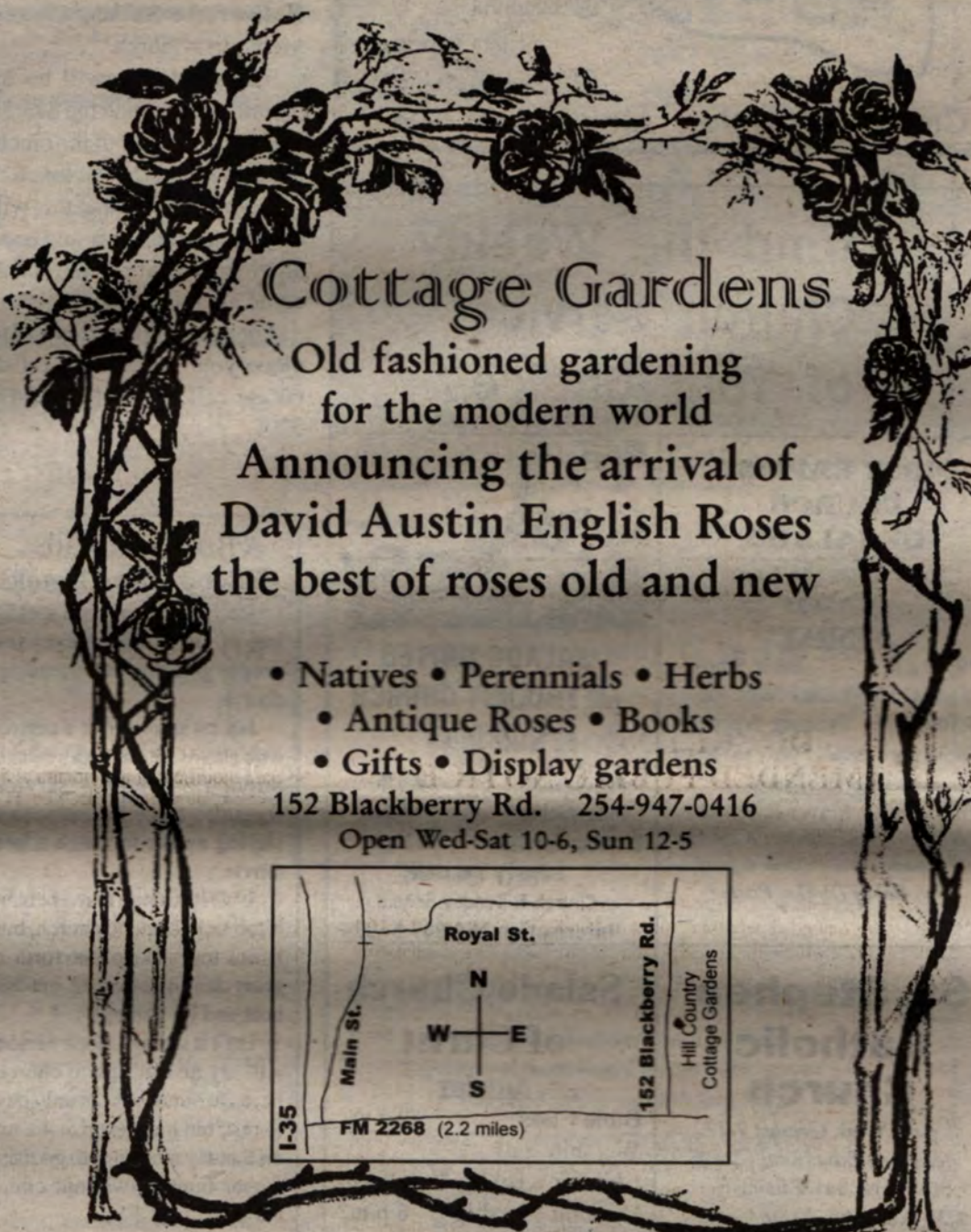
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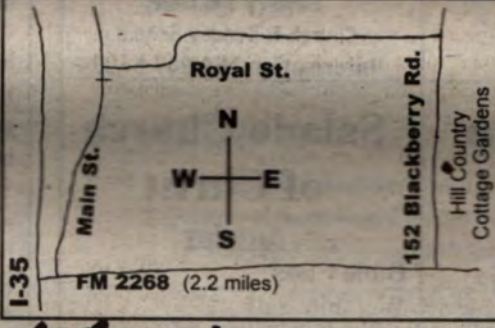
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Familiar Faces

News of the Churches and People of our village

Monday Club to travel to Brazos de Dios May 4

The Monday Club is planning a trip to Homestead Heritage at Brazos de Dios, in Elm Mott for its May meeting.

Members will gather at 8:20 a.m. May 4 at the Fellowship Hall of the Salado United Methodist Church.

Transportation will be by private vehicles and the \$13.50 fee includes a tour of the ranch, hayride and barbecue lunch.

Organizers say that this will be an outstanding trip and hope all Monday Club members will come along.

For more information and to place your name on the list, please call 947-8412 or 947-5205.



Scotty Lynn Dockray and Amanda Lynn Morgan

Morgan-Dockray to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morgan of Salado, and Mr. and Mrs. Calvin L. Dockray Sr. of Belton, announce the upcoming marriage of Amanda Lynn Morgan and Scotty Lynn Dockray.

The wedding date is set for

June 13, 1998 at Lakeview Pavilion Blora in Belton.

Amanda is a senior at Salado High School. Scotty is a senior at Belton High School.

Amanda is the granddaughter of Mary Zieger and the late Otto Zieger of Salado.

A Brief Visit With... Pastor J. Floyd Franks

Isn't it strange? I am speaking of the various excuses people give for not attending church.

Isn't it strange that a person who claims he can't stay awake through a one-hour service seems to have no difficulty staying awake to watch a late movie?

Isn't it strange that a person is too sick to attend church, but is not too sick to put forth a great deal of effort to get his boat and go fishing?

Isn't it strange that a person will say he can't go to church because Sunday is his only day to rest, but he gets up at 4 a.m. on Sunday mornings to go fishing or hunting without complaining.

Isn't it strange that a person complains about the church pews being too uncomfortable for one hour, but doesn't seem to mind spending three hours sitting on a bleacher watching a football or baseball game?

I am convinced that most of us do what we want to do. So let's stop making excuses and just admit that we love these things more than we love the Lord and His church. God knows our heart and has said, "Be not deceived, God is not mocked; whatever a man sows, this he will also reap." (Galatians 6:7)

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Sports

Salado's wild baseball game with Hutto had more twists and turns than a bull ride

There were more twists and turns in Salado's baseball game with Hutto April 24 than a bull ride at a Fourth of July rodeo.

Talk about your eight-second rides in seven innings.

Ride 'em, batboy. Yee haw!

The game pitting the top two teams in District 26-2A was a scriptwriter's delight.

one of its eight district games by the 10-run rule, going against the second-place team (defending district champ Salado) which was attempting to keep its playoff hopes intact against a team that had whipped it three weeks earlier by the score of 12-2.

The spotlight on the game grew even brighter (literally) in the fourth inning when play was halted to allow a electrician to fix the lights, along the third-base line, which had failed to come on.

Salado was leading 2-0 at the time, courtesy of a David Palmer solo homer against the wind to right-center in the sec-

ond, and a David Kirk double that led to another run the same inning.

Hutto coach Danny Wallace was hoping the lights wouldn't come on, figuring the game would be halted with Salado holding to its 2-0 lead.

But as the field umpire told Salado first-base coach Randy Fewell while the lights were being fixed, "It's our game now. We make the judgment (whether to play)."

Had the lights not come on, Hutto's only options were to play under protest, or forfeit.

When the lights finally

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Verses and Versus

by John Eubanks

A dramatic ending -- with two outs in the bottom of the seventh inning on an improbable home run -- certainly matched the game's buildup.

You had a first-place team (Hutto) which had won all but

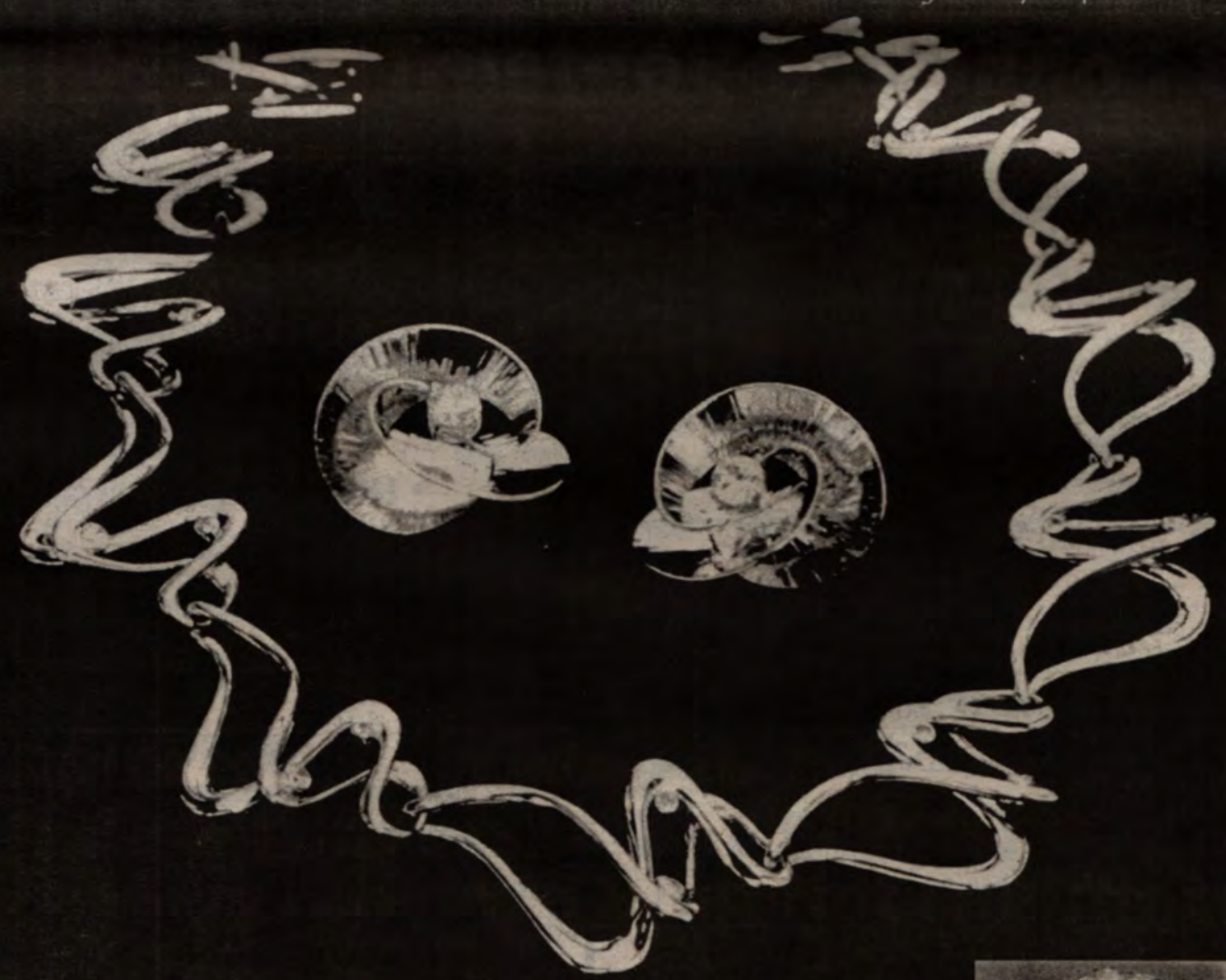
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came on, Wallace told his assistant, "I wish they hadn't come on. I'd rather come back tomorrow. Everything's going their way."

But, unlike the stiff breeze blowing in from centerfield, the tide would soon shift the other way.

In the top of the fifth, with the Eagles clinging to their 2-0 lead, starting pitcher Palmer walked Hutto's leadoff batter. When the count went 2-0 to the second batter, Salado coach Melvin Bates replaced the righthander with lefty Chris Michna.

As Michna warmed up, Wallace told his players, "We've ripped lefties all year. He's another one."

Michna's first pitch was a strike, making the count 2-1. After throwing to first to keep the runner honest, Michna's second pitch was fouled off for strike two.

But the third pitch was hit past the third baseman, putting runners on first and second with no outs.

Hutto's next batter, the only lefthanded batter in the lineup, then hit a single to right field, but Salado rightfielder Chad Kiphart threw out the runner at



(photo by John Eubanks)
David Palmer is mugged and high-fived by teammates after hitting a homerun in the second inning against Hutto.

home with a perfect throw to catcher David Kirk, who had positioned himself in front of the plate toward third base and got the runner easily.

With runners still on first and third, Hutto finally scored when the next batter hit a sacrifice fly to deep center.

"If that wind hadn't been blowing in, it would have been gone," the dejected Hutto batter was told as he walked back to the dugout.

Michna then struck out the next batter to end the threat, and the score was 2-1 Salado,

heading into the bottom of the fifth.

Paul Mashburn led off the inning with a high pop-up in the wind on the right side of the infield.

Fewell, sensing the catch would be difficult for the second baseman, encouraged Mashburn to first base with, "It's in the wind, it's in the wind."

Sure enough, the ball was dropped, and Mashburn was safe at first.

Palmer then singled, putting **See Wild, Page 9A**

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runners on first and second. The next batter, Drew Oldham, nearly hit into a double play, but at the last moment the field ump waved his arms safe as the hustling Oldham and the ball arrived at first simultaneously. Instead of two outs, there was only one.

With runners on first and third, after Michna had popped up for the second out, the next batter's ground ball was mishandled by the Hutto third baseman. Mashburn scored on the play to make it 3-1.

Salado's next batter was hit by a pitch, loading the bases with two outs. But the next batter grounded out to first to end the threat.

The sixth inning was a classic example of how to get out of a bases-loaded jam with no outs.

Before the inning started, a Hutto fan hollered to the players, "How much do we want it? This may be the last time we play them."

Hutto's first batter singled, and the next one drew a walk on a 3-2 count. A "passed pitch" (a combination wild pitch and passed ball, if there's such a thing) advanced the runners to second and third.

The third batter also drew a walk on a 3-2 count to load the bases. Michna and company were officially in trouble.

The fourth batter then had a 2-0 count before Michna got down to business.

The count went to 2-2 before he struck out the batter on a high fastball.

Batter No. 5, who twirled his bat several times with his

left hand while eyeing the pitcher in the batter's box, also struck out on a 2-2 count. Kirk dropped the ball on the third strike, but the runner couldn't advance because the bases were still loaded.

Hutto's sixth batter of the inning had an 0-2 count against him before hitting a grounder to shortstop Paul Mashburn, who flipped the ball to second for the third out.

"We're strikeout city," the Hutto coach said, standing in the classic disgust pose with his hat off.

Salado went three-up, three-down in the bottom of the sixth, but still led 3-1 entering the top of the seventh. Three outs, and the game's over.

But the baseball gods had other ideas.

"We've got 3-4-5-6-7-8-9 coming up," the Hutto coach said, as the meat of the order would come to bat.

Hutto's "lonely lefty" led off with a full-count walk, and the next guy hit a single to left on the first pitch, as the wind continued to blow from centerfield.

The third batter hit a shot to right-center, but rightfielder Kiphart made another great play with on a running catch for out No. 1.

The next batter then hit a ball to left center, but Oldham inadvertently threw his glove at the ball, which is a three-base error.

The two runners on base scored to tie the game at 3-3, and the batter was initially allowed to cross home plate to make the score, 4-3 Hutto.

But the umpires reversed their decision to allow the runner to score, sending him back to third.

It made little difference, because he scored moments later. After Michna caught the next batter's pop-up on a suicide bunt attempt, he threw to third for a possible double-play. But Mashburn had apparently fallen while attempting to cover the bag, and the ball bounced along the leftfield fence.

The runner scored, giving Hutto a 4-3 lead.

The inning was finally over when Michna struck out the next batter, setting up an ending only a fiction writer would love (not to mention the winning team).

"Are we having fun, yet?" Fewell said, as he walked to the first-base coach's box.

Not yet, but soon.

After Salado's leadoff batter struck out, Kirk came to the plate and was behind 0-2 in the count -- one strike away from Salado's second out.

He fouled off the third pitch, drew a ball, and fouled off another pitch before hitting a shot past the third baseman to left field.

The next batter, Michna, drew a strike, prompting Bates to say, "We need a single, Chris."

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Baseball team in first after dramatic victory

In a very dramatic fashion, centerfield into a very strong the Salado Eagles moved into wind. The ball just kept going a tie for first place in district before clearing the fence. April 24. David Kirk followed with a double to centerfield. Courtesy runner Courtney Dodge then advanced to third and eventually scored on Hutto passed balls for a 2-0 lead.

Salado's Chris Michna hit a two-run home run, with two outs in the bottom of the seventh and final inning, for a fantastic finish in a 5-4 home victory over Hutto April 24. Each team scored a run in the fifth inning, and Salado led 3-1 going into the seventh inning.

The win over the state's eighth-ranked Hippos puts both teams atop the District 26-2A standings with an 8-1 mark. Hutto's leadoff batter walked, and the next batter hit a single. A sacrifice bunt put runners at second and third with one out. That's when the evening's real excitement started.

Salado led throughout much of the game, played in pleasant but breezy conditions. The Eagles opened the scoring in the bottom of the second when David Palmer hit a two-out line drive homer to right-

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Hutto's next hitter sent a shot to the gap in left-centerfield. While the runners were scoring to make it 3-3, a Salado fielder threw his glove at the ball (which is illegal) to try and prevent it from going to the fence. The umpires initially allowed the batter to score, making it 4-3 Hutto, but then changed their mind after a brief discussion, and sent the runner back to third. (They ruled that the batter had not reached first when the three-base infraction occurred.)

Hutto then tried a suicide squeeze play, but when the batter popped up, all seemed set for an inning-ending double play. But the throw to third got away and rolled into left field. It allowed the base runner to scamper back to the bag and then advance home for a 4-3 lead.

In the bottom half of the inning, David Kirk hit a one-out single to set the stage for Michna.

On a night when everyone thought a home run was impossible because of the strong wind blowing straight in from centerfield, Michna's blast over the left-centerfield wall was Salado's second.

Palmer and Kirk each collected two hits on the night.

Palmer also started the game on the mound, pitching superbly for four innings. He allowed only two hits and struck

out five. He started the fifth, hitting the first batter and throwing two balls to the next, before he was relieved by Michna.

Michna gets credit for the win -- his seventh of the year -- pitching the final three innings.

The junior lefthander was coming off a 13-strikeout performance April 21 in the Eagles' 12-2 win over Rogers. Salado scored in every inning except the fourth.

In the first inning, Kirk and Michna put back-to-back hits together. Both scored on Rogers errors.

Dan Alcozar slapped a one-out single to start the second inning. Adam Nuse singled to move Alcozar around to third. He then scored on an error by the catcher and Nuse scored on Palmer's single for a 4-0 lead.

Salado pushed across five runs in the fifth inning, while Rogers scored their first run of the game for a 9-1 lead. The Eagles' runs came on back-to-back doubles by Nuse and Paul Mashburn, a Palmer home run, a Kirk single and four walks.

Single runs in the fifth and sixth innings gave Salado an 11-1 lead but Rogers pushed a run across in the bottom of the inning to force the game to its entirety. The Eagles managed another run in the seventh for a 10-run victory.

Kirk collected three hits in the game. Mashburn, Palmer,

Michna and Nuse all collected two hits each as Salado pounded out 15 hits.

Michna pitched six innings of the game for his sixth win of the season. Besides his 13 strikeouts, he allowed just four hits.

Deadline May 2 to enter Lions golf tournament

The deadline is May 2 to enter the 3rd Annual Lions Golf Tournament May 4 at the Mill Creek Golf and Country Club.

Things get going at 11:30 a.m. with lunch at Lions Park (adjacent to Salado Civic Center). Tee-off is 1 p.m. at Mill Creek Golf Course for the Florida Scramble (best ball) format.

Entry fee is \$50 and includes green fee, one-half cart fee and lunch.

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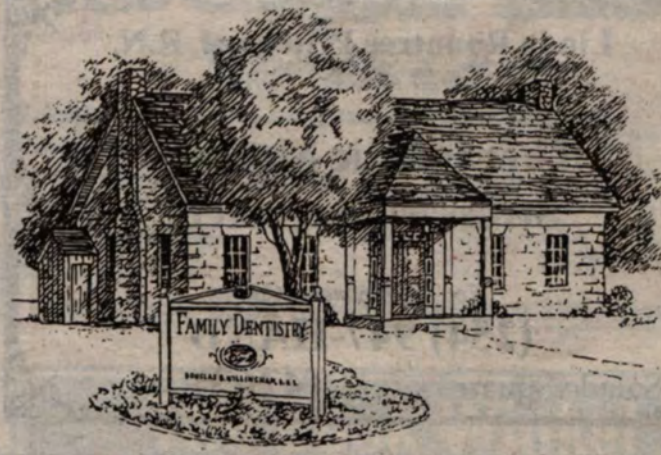
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(photo by John Eubanks)
Chris Michna enjoys his run around the bases after hitting the game-winning homerun.

Wild

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Then, with the count 1-1, the righthanded-hitting Michna belted a shot over the centerfield fence -- against the (Bob Seger) wind, no less.

All yell broke loose from the Salado dugout, as the Eagles headed to home plate to greet the conquering hero.

When Michna managed to come up for air, he was asked how it felt.

"It feels awesome," he announced.

He said he "didn't know where that (home run) came from," but he certainly knew where it was going after he hit it. Even against the wind.

Bates was soaking up the moment, too, his face a mixture of happiness and relief.

Or so it seemed.

"We had played super all game," he said, amid congratulations from Eagle fans. "We got ourselves out of some difficult situations. Then the one error we made (late) looked like it would cost us the ballgame.

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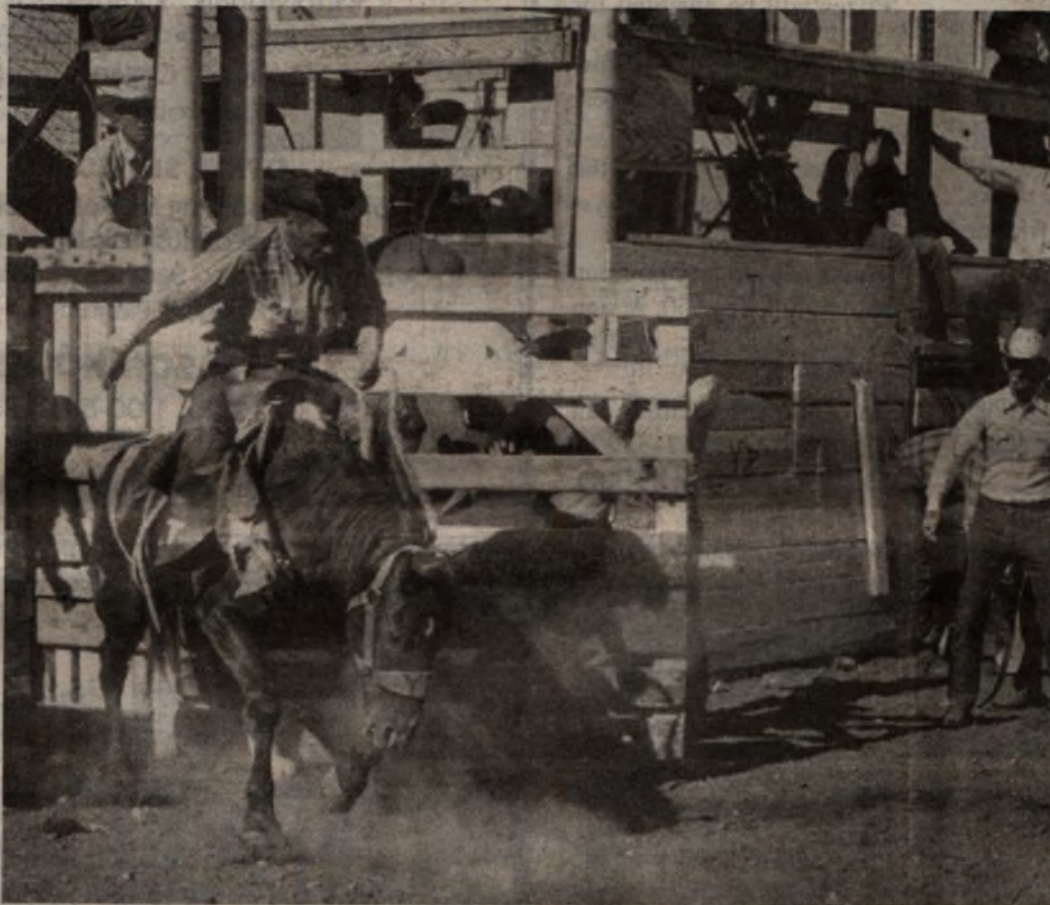
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Sims wins IMCA Stock feature race

Bradley Sims won the IMCA Stock feature April 25 at Texas Thunder Speedway in Killeen. P.J. Egbert was second in the 12-car race. Jim Garner finished third.

Stanley Evans won the Mini Stock race. Paul Carone was second, Jeff Ivicic was third. There were nine cars in the feature.

Guy Frederick won the Thunder Stock race. Rich Hartley came in second. Dixi

Longfellow was third in the eight-car race.

Joe Brockett won the 19-car Street Stock race. Dan Masquelier finished second, followed by Mike McLaughlin.

Chris Renegar won the IMCA Modified race. Dave Meadows was second. Last week's winner, David Cooke, finished third. There were 21 cars in the Dodge Country IMCA Modified race.

Sunday's Enduro race was

rained out. The next five-feature race will be May 2. There will be a King of the Hill race for the Mini Stock. Gates open at 6 p.m. and races begin at 8. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$3 for children ages 6-12 and those under six years of age are free.

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Salado Youth Booster Club

Salado Youth Booster Club met at 7 p.m. April 23 in the high school library to elect new officers for the 98-99 fiscal year. Officers are as follows: Richard McLaughlin, President; Mike Fleck, Vice-President; Sue Ricks, Treasurer; Nancy Goodnight, Secretary.

The next meeting of the Salado Youth Boosters is scheduled for 7 p.m. April 29 in the high school library. Topics on the agenda will include the 1998-99 calendar for the booster club to include fundraising dates and events and creation of standing committees. All members are encouraged to attend.

Concert FROM Page 1A

be executive officer Jim Upright who is being transferred to Korea for a year of overseas duty.

Both Doug and Jim and their wives Beth Ann Eller and Kim Upright have become an integral part of the life of Salado as they volunteered to take part in every special event hosted by the community over the past two years.

It is hoped by the Civic Center leaders that Saladoans will take time to attend the concert in large numbers to show our special military friends how much they mean to us as well as to say goodbye to the units two leaders.

Scott Wallace, Commanding General of the Fourth Infantry Division and his wife

Sharon; General and Mrs. Richard A. Cody, and Colonel and Mrs. Tom Metz, both assistant division commanders of the IVY Division are expected to be on hand for the concert.

Seating will be available but villagers are free to bring their lawn chairs or blankets to sit on and be comfortable under the stars during an evening that forecasters say will be mild and clear.

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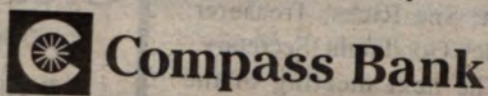
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Salado Democrats to meet May 4 at Hodge Party House

Salado Democrats will meet 6:30 p.m. May 4 at the Hodge Party House off Thomas Arnold Rd.

"Due to the likely resignation of the current Democratic State Chairman Bill White, when the state convention convenes on June 27, Salado Democrats should learn as much as possible about the three people mentioned as candidates for his position in order to notify our delegates as to our preference," said Violet

Palmer, a member of the local group.

Preparation for the November election will also be under discussion. Salado Democrats hope that all Democratic candidates will spend time in Salado this summer.

All Salado Democrats are invited to the May 4 meeting, which is social. There are no dues or regulations for the club.

For directions, call Mary Hodge at 947-5290.

Silent auction & spaghetti supper May 1 at TAE

A Silent Auction and Spaghetti Supper to benefit Project Graduation is set for May 1.

The auction is from 6-7:30 p.m. with the spaghetti supper from 6:30-8 p.m. Cost is \$5 for adults and kids 10 & under are \$3.

Items for auction will be donated by area merchants. It is sponsored by the 1998 senior parents for Project Graduation

4-H banquet set May 24

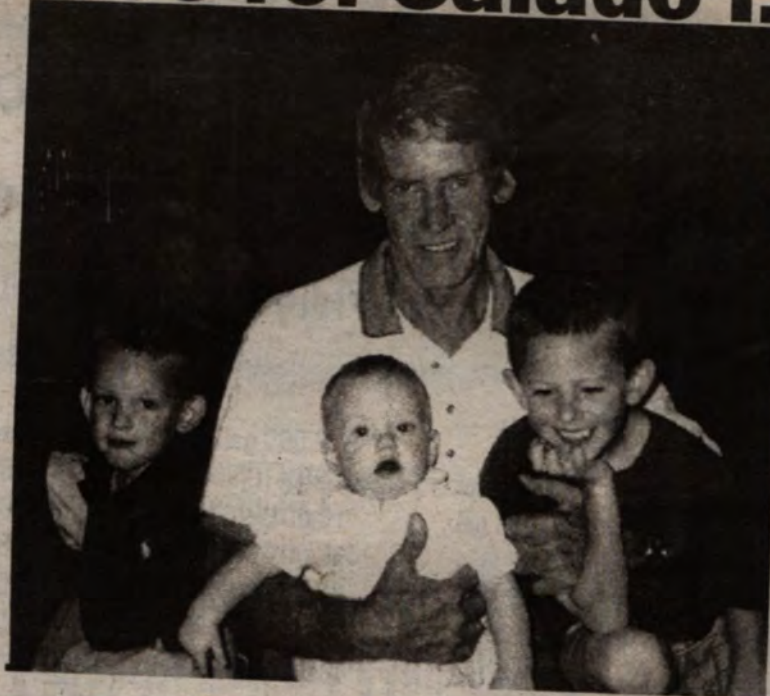
by Keri Pruett

Salado 4-H Club will have its 4-H Banquet 1 p.m. May 24 at Heritage Park in Belton.

The Salado 4-H Club will provide meat and drinks. Everyone else needs to bring a side dish or dessert.

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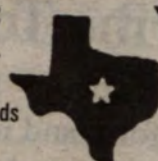


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Funeral services held for Zora Freeman

Services for Zora Freeman, 86, of Fort Worth, were held April 23 at Dossman Funeral Home in Belton with ministers Joe Baisden, Charles Daily and Dempsey Stripling officiating.

Burial followed in Salado Cemetery.

Mrs. Freeman died April 21 in a Fort Worth hospital.

She was born in Fayette County, Ala., to Wilson and Lula (Harkins) Hankins. She

married Arvle "S.A." Freeman April 26, 1929, in Fayette, Ala. The wife of a Church of Christ minister, she served in churches in Mississippi, Texas, New Mexico, North Dakota and Nebraska. They helped found Blue Haven Youth Camp in New Mexico.

After retirement, she attended the Belton Church of Christ until moving to Fort Worth five years ago.

Survivors are one son, Doyle G. Freeman of Fort Worth; one daughter, Wylene Williams of Salado; one sister, Obeal Belk of Tuscaloosa, Ala.; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Blue Haven Youth Camp, P.O. Box 1300, Canyon, TX 79015 or Salado Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 35, Salado, TX 76571.



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Lloyd Parks (right) presents a \$500 donation to the Salado Public Library. Accepting the donation is Library President Robert McConnell.

Library ready for summer program

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
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Letter seeks to answer questions about library district election

To the Editor: Thanking the Salado Public Library District. We have tried hard to get our message out. And we

have not heard from one person who is against libraries. Indeed, most of the Village believes that a library is a core part of a progressive community, a resource that is important to our children and our adults.

We have been asked some good questions; I would like to respond once more to those.

Question: Will giving the library the revenues generated by the 1/2% sales tax hamstring the city government if and when Salado votes for incorporation? **Answer:** Incorporation has been voted down three times, most recently in 1995 by an overwhelming margin. That 1995 incorporation proposal included a 1% sales tax along with property taxes,

franchise taxes, and traffic fines to finance the city. If the Library District is OKayed and gets a 1/2% sales tax, a 1% sales tax is still available to Salado if and when incorporation comes. And the library would be in place and would require no additional financial support from the city (the usual source of funding for a public library). And while incorporation may never come or may come years down the line, the proposed library district can support our library now. This is an opportunity we should not pass up.

Question: Does the library really need this much tax support? **Answer:** Our library is below average by every major measurement used to compare libraries. With the \$75,000 or

so that a 1/2% sales tax would generate, we believe that we can move into the top tier of similar community libraries (all of which are tax-supported). And \$75,000 is the estimate we have from the state comptroller — not the wild number of \$200,000 that some citizens have heard.

Question: Is the library going to construct its own building and move away from the Civic Center? **Answer:** We are very pleased with our current location. We will need more space in the not-too-distant future. But the Civic Center's Board and we believe that can be worked out so we can stay at the same address.

Thanks again
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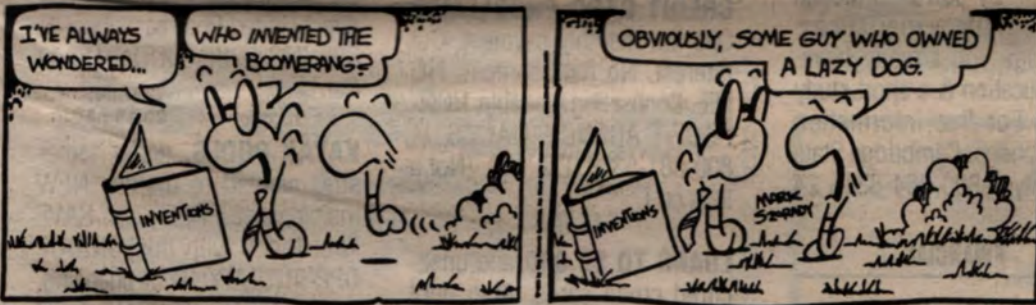
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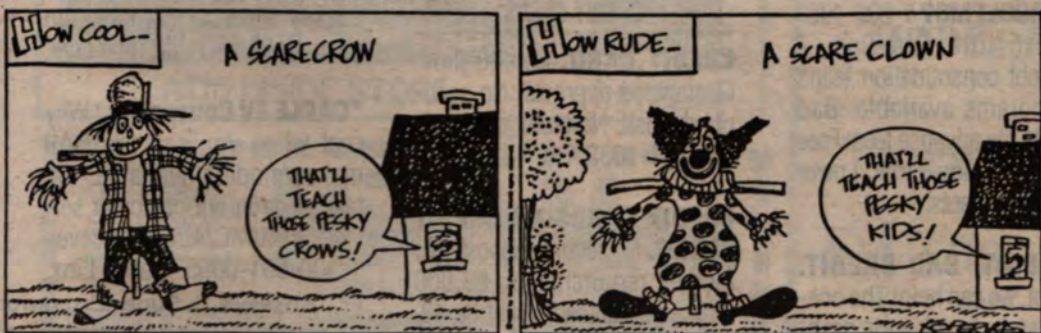
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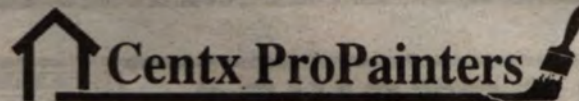
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2. What is the role of a trustee in relation to administrators, teachers, parents, students?

Williams: to administrators: Non-interfering supportive supervisor; to teachers: Treat them as professionals and listen to their concerns; to parents: Be responsive to their legitimate concerns; to students: provide a safe and challenging learning environment.

Preston: A trustee is only one of seven members and cannot act alone. The board governs and oversees the management of the district and acts only on the Superintendent's recommendations. Because it is not the role of an individual board member to be involved in the daily operations of the district, a board member has no official relationship to teachers, parents or students. As a parent, I will always be interested in listening to the concerns of teachers, parents and students since students welfare and education always comes first.

Carlson: to administrators: to offer guidance and support in establishing and adhering to school policy; to teachers: to supply them with the tools needed and to motivate them; to parents: to listen to their

concerns; to students: provide them with the best education available by challenging them to achieve their potential.

3. If there were a single program or goal the district could achieve in five years, what would you favor?

Preston: Three years ago, when I was elected to the board, I did have specific area I was interested in, like honors classes, dual credits and computer technology. As an experienced member, my ideas have changed. I want what is best for ALL students and not target certain areas. I fully support any program or activity that motivates students to be responsible leaders who can think, solve problems and be well-rounded to seize opportunities in life. Every board member should realize a board can no longer address educational issues from a local standpoint, you must think globally.

Carlson: Fiscal responsibility. Let's establish a realistic budget that we can stick to!

Williams: Financial stability, so that each child may reach their full academic potential and ensure orderly growth for the future.

4. In what area does Salado ISD excel? In what area does the district under-achieve? How can the district address this problem?

Carlson: Salado excels in academics and extracurricular activities. I feel there is a lack of appropriate communication between the students, parents, teachers and the board. Encouraging parents' attendance at school functions and board meetings and encourage parents to recognize the proper channels within the administration before addressing their concerns to the board.

Williams: We have excellent faculty and student body. Our SAT scores should be

much higher. We can achieve this with more challenging curriculum.

Preston: Salado ISD excels in student achievement and performance. We read every week how Salado students are leading competitions. Part of this can be contributed to a wonderful staff who motivates students to reach their full potential and the other part comes from parents encouraging their child to do their very best.

I do not think our school under achieves in any area. I do think there is always room for improvement. I would like to see SAT and ACT scores higher, because higher scores means better advantages and more scholarships. I would also like to see more community involvement. Saladoans have a tremendous amount of knowledge to share.

I have faith our new superintendent will have the answer, especially in community involvement. I think sharing out school can only improve the system.

5. What do you offer the board during this building program?

Williams: I offer expertise in building and construction projects. The ability to read plans and specification to cut out some of the waste.

Preston: I am one of the Board of Trustees who began developing this entire program. The architect and construction management firm have a very good working relationship with the board now, and I have a strong desire to continue in this manner so the building will be completed on time. I believe my knowledge, experience and dedication will certainly be an asset.

Carlson: I offer a fresh, new perspective to the continued demands of the construction process and the business sense to properly assess the change in plans before implementation in order to avoid another financial crisis.

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Year's flown by for Bayberry's On Main

by John Eubanks

Bayberry's on Main will celebrate its one-year anniversary in Salado the first week of May, with "special bargains" and refreshments.

It seems like only yesterday when the gift shop on Main Street held its ribbon-cutting on a rainy May day.

Time apparently does fly when you're having fun. Just ask shop owners Patty Thomas and Carol Gafford.

They opened the shop on April 19, 1997, after relocating their Round Rock shop, Bayberry Market, to Salado's historic Vickrey-Berry House.

Three weeks later on May 9, the Salado Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors gathered on the front porch of the yellow and white house to officially welcome the new owners with a ribbon-cutting.

So, how has the move from down south worked out?

"It's more fun -- period!" Carol said. "It was a good move. We just like Salado,

too."

What stands out most for Patty this past year has been the friendliness from the townspeople and merchants.

The beautiful home, which houses the shop, certainly stands out. Visitors sometimes mistake it for something other than a shop. But, as Carol says with a laugh, "It's not someone's home or a bed and breakfast."

That's certainly evident when entering what originally was built as a four-bedroom house in the early 1900s.

Visitors can spend more time than they figured perhaps, browsing in the shop's comfortable surroundings.

Bayberry's on Main has certainly "evolved" from its original look.

"We've added lots in the first year and rearranged things," Carol said. "We will expand to include another room of wonderful things in June."

There are "some basic similarities to the way we began,"

she noted. But Bayberry's on Main continues to stress antiques and Patty's hand-painted furniture, which includes one-of-a-kind pieces, series and custom items.

Patty, who holds a fine arts degree from Abilene Christian University, has been painting furniture for several years, and certainly enjoys it. If she's not helping customers, she's probably in the back painting away.

"I never lack for anything to do because there's always a piece to paint," she said.

Their philosophy can best be summed up in a statement they made after opening the shop.

"We simply enjoy selecting and displaying beautiful things."

Bayberry's on Main is located at 680 N. Main on the west side of the street between Old Town Salado (across from the Civic Center) and the Post Office. Business hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Saturday. The phone number is 947-3625.

Gregory's to host special showing of jewelry May 2-3

Gregory's, an American Crafts Gallery, invites you to a special showing of jewelry by Patricia Daunis-Dunning May 2-3.

A graduate of the Rhode Island School of Design, Daunis-Dunning taught at Boston University before founding her own jewelry design firm. She designs an array of jewelry in distinctive styles: earrings,

neckpieces, broaches, bracelets, rings.

Her work, which is sold in fine jewelry stores in the United States, Bermuda and Japan, has received numerous awards, including the Jewelers of America Jewel Award, Diamond Today Award and the coveted World Gold Council Grand Prize.

Her work has been featured

in Vogue, Glamour and the New York Times.

Carolyn Dachs, owner of Gregory's, said, "It is exciting to have Patricia visit us again and to share in her wonderful creativity."

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Cove to host country music concert

The weather may be hot in Central Texas, but an upcoming May 2 concert in Copperas Cove is even hotter!

Together Daryle Singletary and Central Texas' own Kendra Merrell will blaze the stage in Copperas Cove City Park. Gates will open at 5:30 p.m. for the 7 p.m. show. Tickets to the concert are \$10 and are available at Diamond

Shamrock (Killeen and Copperas Cove), 7-Eleven (Killeen and Copperas Cove), and Wal-Mart (Copperas Cove).

Proceeds from this concert will be utilized by America's Drug Free Productions to promote their drug abstinence message, "Living Free ... the American Way."

For concert headliner, Daryle Singletary, country

music isn't a fad or something that's cool. For the slow talking, gravely-voiced singer, country music is the very fiber of his life, and country music is the bedrock of Ain't It the Truth, his third album for Giant Records. Currently "The Note", from the Ain't It the Truth album is climbing the top 20 charts. "I Let Her Lie" and "Too Much Fun" were 1997 number one hits for Singletary. America's Drug Free Productions is excited to host Singletary in an evening that promises to be entertaining and most importantly drug free.

Warming up the stage and the hearts of Central Texans is Kendra Merrell. A new name in country music, but a familiar face to Central Texans. Merrell is a dynamic, refreshing, young artist moving rapidly toward being known as the hottest new country act in Central Texas. Together with America's Drug Free Productions, Merrell will provide an exciting performance in an atmosphere where youth and adults can gather without social pressure.

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Central Texas Tele-Center to open May 1 for unemployment calls

Beginning May 1, Texans in a 42-county area, including Bell County, will be the first in the state to benefit from a project to improve customer service in the unemployment insurance program. When applying for benefits Texans will no longer stand in line; instead all they'll have to do is pick up the nearest telephone.

Texas Workforce Commission Executive Director Mike Sheridan explains, "On May 1 we begin phase one of an 18-month, statewide project to improve customer service in our Unemployment Insurance program. This project will benefit both employers and claimants through a streamlined process that offers consistency, efficiency and time savings. These changes will not affect the appeals or tax services for employers currently in place."

The Commission will implement this project through the creation of call centers or "Tele-Centers." The first of these centers - the Central Texas Tele-Center - will be located in Austin and will employ approximately 100 people. Other locations will eventually be in Dallas, El Paso, Fort Worth, Houston, McAllen and San Antonio and will provide service for the entire state.

"Last year Texans stood in line about 700,000 times to apply for unemployment insurance and we paid out more than \$994 million in benefits. Because we have such a large state and we serve so many people, we are phasing this program in over a period of time to ensure seamless service for our clients," Sheridan noted.

Because of the phase-in process, individuals calling the Tele-Center phone number from outside the 42 county designated area will be referred

back to their local office providing unemployment services until Tele-Center service is extended to their area.

"Through projects like this we will continue to pass on the benefits of improved technology to Texas taxpayers," Sheridan concluded.

For unemployment claims in the 42-counties listed, simply use one of the following phone numbers. When you call, select the language and the type of service you need by pressing the number given on your touch-tone phone. That will connect you with the appropriate customer service representative. If you call from a rotary phone, simply stay on the line and a customer service representative will assist you.

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1-800-939-6631. Austin Local Phone Number: 340-4300.

Customer service staff will be available to assist you Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to, 5 p.m., Central Time.

Counties covered by the Central Texas Tele-Center are these: Bastrop, Bell, Blanco, Bosque, Brown, Burnet, Caldwell, Callahan, Coleman, Comanche, Coryell, Eastland, Falls, Fayette, Fisher, Freestone, Hamilton, Haskell, Hays, Hill, Jones, Kent, Knox, Lampasas, Lee, Limestone, Llano, McLennan, Milam, Mills, Mitchell, Nolan, Runnels, San Saba, Scurry, Shackelford, Stephens, Stone-wall, Taylor, Throckmorton, Travis and Williamson.



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Tips for care of septic system

According to David Collinsworth with the Brazos River Authority, the phosphates, nitrates and fecal coliform colonies in Salado Creek increase based on the amount of nutrients in the stream.

Nutrients which can reach the stream from the following sources: animal waste, dead animals, fertilizers (agricultural and residential) and improperly functioning waste treatment systems.

Each of us in Salado has a waste treatment system in our backyard (or front yard), commonly referred to as a septic tank.

However, many of those moving to Salado have never before lived in a community without a waste treatment plant. Others are unaware of the precautions and maintenance steps necessary to ensure a properly functioning septic system.

For these reasons, we offer the following maintenance and management practices recommended by the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission.

- A septic system should not be treated as if it were a normal city sewer system.

- The excessive use of in-sink garbage grinders and grease discarding should be avoided. In-sink garbage grinders can cause a rapid build-up of sludge or scum resulting in a requirement for more frequent cleaning and possible system failure.

- Do not use the toilet to dispose of cleaning tissues, cigarette butts, or other trash. This disposal practice will waste water and also impose an undesired solids load on the treatment system.

- Septic tanks should be cleaned before sludge accumulates to a point where it approaches the bottom of the outlet device. If sludge or scum accumulates to this point, solid will leave the tank with the liquid and possibly cause clogging of the perforations in the drainfield line, resulting in

sewage surfacing or backing up into the house through the plumbing fixtures.

- Since it is not practical for the average homeowner to inspect his tank and determine the need for cleaning, a regular schedule of cleaning the tank at two-to-three year intervals should be established. Commercial cleaners are equipped to readily perform the cleaning operation. Owners of septic tank systems shall engage only person registered with the TNRCC to transport the septic tank cleanings.

- Do not build driveways, storage buildings, or other structures over the treatment works or its disposal field.

- Chemical additives, or the so-called enzymes, are not necessary for the operation of a septic tank. Some of these additives may even be harmful to the tank's operation.

- Soaps, detergents, bleaches, drain cleaners and other household cleaning materials will very seldom affect the operation of the system. However, moderation should be exercised in the use of such materials.

- It is not advisable to allow water softener back flush to enter into any portion of the septic system.

- The liquid from the septic system is still heavily laden with bacteria. The surfacing of this liquid constitutes a hazard to the health of those that might come into contact with it.

The following water conservation measures and practices are especially advised to owners of septic systems:

- Showers usually use less water than baths. Install a water-saving shower head that uses less than 2-1/2 gallons per minutes and saves both water and energy.

- If you take a tub bath, reduce the level of water in the tub from the level to which you customarily fill it.

- Leaky faucets and faulty toilet fill-up mechanisms should be repaired as quickly as possible.

- Check toilets for leaks that

may not be apparent. Add a few drops of food coloring to the tank. Do not flush. If the color appears in the bowl within a few minutes, the toilet fill or ball-cock valve needs to be adjusted to prevent water from overflowing the tank pipe or the flapper at the bottom of the toilet tank needs to be replaced.

Reduce the amount of water used for flushing the toilet by installing one of the following: a new toilet (1.6 gallon), a toilet tank dam, or filling and capping one-quart plastic bottle with water and lowering them into the tank of the existing 3.5 gallon or larger toilet. Do not use bricks since they may crumble and cause damage to the fixture.

- Try to run the dishwasher with a full load whenever possible.

- Avoid running the water continuously for brushing teeth, washing hands, rinsing kitchen utensils or for cleaning vegetables.

- use faucet aerators that restrict flow to no more than 2.2 gallons per minute to reduce water consumption.

- Keep a container of drinking water in the refrigerator instead of running the faucet until the water turns cool.

- Insulate all hot water pipes to avoid long delays of wasted water while waiting for the heated water.

Soil conservation awards to be given

Bill Grace of Salado, and Tommy and Scott Krueger of Schwertner will be honored for outstanding contributions to the Texas Soil and Water Conservation program at an Area V Awards Banquet on May 7.

The banquet will be held at 7 p.m. in Stephenville, Texas.

Area V consists of 41 counties in North Central Texas.

Categories in which awards will be presented include: Outstanding District; Resident Conservation Rancher; Resident Conservation Farmer; Absentee Conservation Farmer/Rancher; Water Quality Management Plan; Business/Professional Individual; Conservation Teacher; Wildlife Conservationist and Conservation Homemaker. Additional awards are presented for Outstanding Posters and Essays on soil and water conservation by youth in the area.

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Strong evidence links a healthy, low-fat diet with lowering the risk of cancer, particularly for those forms of the disease affecting the gastrointestinal and respiratory tracts (colon, rectum, lung, prostate and endometrium). Unfortunately, despite the warnings, recent studies show that Americans have actually increased their caloric intake and the use of high-fat convenience foods.

Why?
 "We've adopted a fast-food, high-fat diet to compliment our fast-paced, high-stress lifestyle," said Colleen Doyle, M.S., R.D., the American Cancer Society's director of nutrition and physical activity. "When on the run, it seems so much easier to just pull through a fast-food drive-through, or to grab a high-fat snack to carry us through the day. What many people fail to realize, is much can be done 'on the run' to maintain a healthy, low-fat diet."

Cutting back on fats can be accomplished simply by making small adjustments to daily routines. Here are some easy examples:

When eating out, cut fat intake 50 percent by ordering half-portions or sharing one full meal with your dining companion.

Learn the "red flag" words that signify high-fat foods on menus: puffed, battered, creamy, crispy, breaded, buttery, hollandaise, flaky, au gratin, a la king, alfredo, Bearnaise, scampi and Mornay.

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Most airlines offer low-fat foods as part of their menus. If you are traveling by air, call in advance and request the low-fat alternative.

If the flight is relatively short, skip the in-flight meal altogether and choose a healthier alternative afterwards. If peanuts are offered as a snack during your flight, ask if pretzels are available, or consider bringing your own snack instead.

At the office, keep a supply of easy-to-grab, low-fat foods in your desk drawer. Such foods can include: instant vegetable soups and oatmeals, dried fruit, snack-size whole-grain cereal, mini-cans of water-packed tuna, pretzels and low-fat crackers.

If fast food is the only option, choose the low-fat menu items such as a salad or grilled chicken sandwich. A submarine sandwich with lean meats and lots of vegetables (hold the mayo!) can be a healthier option as well.

Remember that fat-free

doesn't mean calorie-free!

In addition to trimming the fat from our diets, the American Cancer Society also stresses the importance of increasing physical activity as a means of improving overall health and lowering the risk of cancer. Studies show that physical inactivity can lead to obesity and increased risk for cancers of several sites: colon and rectum, prostate, endometrium, breast (among postmenopausal women), and kidney. Again, many Americans feel they simply do not have the time to increase their physical activity. However, much like healthy eating, increasing physical activity can be achieved by making a few simple changes in your routine.

"Even if you have a fast-paced lifestyle, there are many opportunities to increase your daily physical activity," says Doyle. "Taking the stairs instead of the elevator, walking to lunch instead of driving, using the hotel gym when you're on the road, or standing when talking on the phone are just a few small ways that you can make a big difference in lowering your risk of cancer."

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'Sumpin's in the Water' set May 2

by John Eubanks

Brandi Warren, the precocious 10-year-old who plays the female lead in the annual Tablerock play put on each spring by Salado fourth-graders, was delighting the Salado Lions recently with her cute answers about this year's original melodrama, "Sumpin's in the Water."

Like, what role she plays.

"The heroine."

And about the ending.

"It's a surprise, so you'll have to see the play."

Brandi, who plays the lead role of Heather opposite Colby Cox's Ranger Rod Ryan, played her real-life role to perfection when she told the Lions, "I'm really glad I tried out for this play. I like to go



(photo by John Eubanks)

Fourth-graders who addressed the Lions are, from left, Mark Wilson, Brandi Wilson and Mark Gentry.

on stage and play a part."

Jackie Mills, board president of Tablerock Festival of Salado who oversees the production, introduced Brandi and two other fourth-graders to the Lions during their bi-monthly meeting at Creekside Restaurant and Club.

Admission to the May 2 production at Goodnight Amphitheater is \$3. Money earned will be put away for the students' senior class trip in 2006. Last year's fourth-graders banked \$922.

Fourth-graders from Thomas Arnold Elementary began holding an original play at Tablerock four years ago. The students write and produce the plays.

Mills called the students in this year's production "an exceptional class." Brandi, for instance, made quite an impression when Mills first met her at the audition.

"She sparkled in the audition," Mills said. "She's going to make a wonderful actress."

Mills elicited a laugh from the Lions when she asked Brandi what part of the play she didn't like.

On cue, Brandi replied, "The mushy parts."

Joining Brandi at the Lions meeting were Mark Wilson and Mark Gentry. Wilson plays the dual role of Billy Bart and Papa; Gentry is the stage manager. They are also among the play's seven authors.

One of the Lions kidded with Wilson, asking him if he was married.

"Not yet," he replied.

When Mills told the Lions that Mark's girlfriend was in the play, Wilson said, "We're married in the play."

Mills said Gentry's job as stage manager is the most important one in the production. He even gets to use headphones to communicate instructions behind the scene.

"Like Mrs. Mills said, I'm the stage manager and I get to talk on the headphones," Gentry said.

Pausing for what probably seemed like an eternity to him, he then added, "And that's all I can think of."

He is among 48 fourth-graders who will help put on the play. Among them is Jackie Drake, the daughter of Salado Lion Leigh Drake.

Jackie Drake plays the villain, Greta Gardenia Garcia.

Mills said Jackie is a "seasoned actress" having acted in the Tablerock production, "Salado Legends."

"She's a knockout," Mills said. "She's good."

As for the play's prospects beyond Salado, one Lion asked young Mark Wilson, "When are you going to take your production to Hollywood?"

"I don't know," he said. "About five years."

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Construction begins at PKRC

Construction has begun on a new entertainment complex at the Peaceable Kingdom Retreat for Children, according to Jim D. Bowmer, President of the Retreat.

The building will contain a modern small theater and a game room with both fun and therapeutic values. It was designed by Lee Roy Mitchell, CEO of Cinemark USA, Inc. and his wife Tandy Mitchell, also an officer of Cinemark. It will be named in honor of W.A. Prewitt, Jr., an early associate of the Mitchells in the theater business. Cinemark, headquartered in Dallas, is now one of the nation's largest theater chains.

Mark Klinger, Construction Manager of Cinemark, describes the building as a one-of-a-kind showpiece. Peaceable Kingdom's theater is set into a rustic setting nestled on a bluff in a forest of trees. The building's exterior design is a rustic look of wood and limestone rock. Mr. Klinger states that when the children walk through the doors or see the warm glow of the interior from across the valley, what they see will be magical and alluring.

Mr. Mitchell said, "We hope the theater and game-room at Peaceable Kingdom will help the seriously ill children to combat the emotional and medical challenges that accompany their prolonged illnesses. By creating a world of magic and imagination, and by allowing the children to view a movie as they may not get to in the real world. It is the goal of Cinemark, in conjunction with the Peaceable Kingdom to promote the health and well-being of seriously ill children through our combined efforts in the building and maintenance of Peaceable Kingdom.

Upon entering the building the children will walk across a golden cobblestone path. A curved ceiling will be painted

color from day to night with a turn of a switch, all achieved by colors of neon hidden behind a crown molding along the wall. Large sculptural trees full of crickets chirping and birds singing will fill corners and be painted in magical colors. This will create a desire in the children to explore the trees. Inside the trees will be projectors, which unseen to the children will project constant forms and figures across the painted sky. There will be a seating and gathering area of colorful furniture on one side of the lobby area. The opposite side will contain an air hockey table and concession area. In the back, a separate room of lights and fun electronic video games.

Upon entering the lobby, a large mural by Dallas artist Greg Arth will greet the children. Greg will be creating a world of imagination and fun, while combining the thoughts and wishes of Peaceable Kingdom's pledge.

The children will enter the

actual theater by walking through a painted door which is a part of the mural. Upon entering the theater they will see magical colors on the walls and in the stadium type seating. Above them will be a ceiling of stars twinkling with fiber optic lighting. In front will be a stage full of theatrical lighting for presentations and lectures. Beyond the stage a drapery which upon opening will reveal a screen, which covers the entire wall for viewing of movies. The sound will be state of the art and will be the same as being in a large theater. There will be a free concession stand with popcorn, hot dogs and drinks.

Steven Spielberg's Starbright Foundation will furnish its on-line computer network for the building and train personnel in teaching the children how to use it. Thus children with a rare ailment at the retreat will be able to communicate with other children with the same ailment in faraway hospitals.



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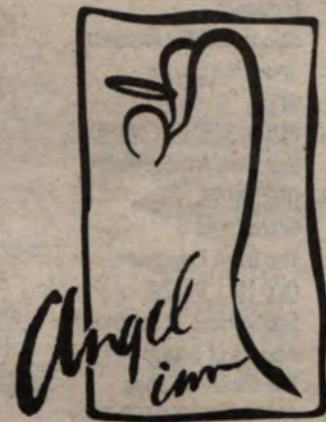
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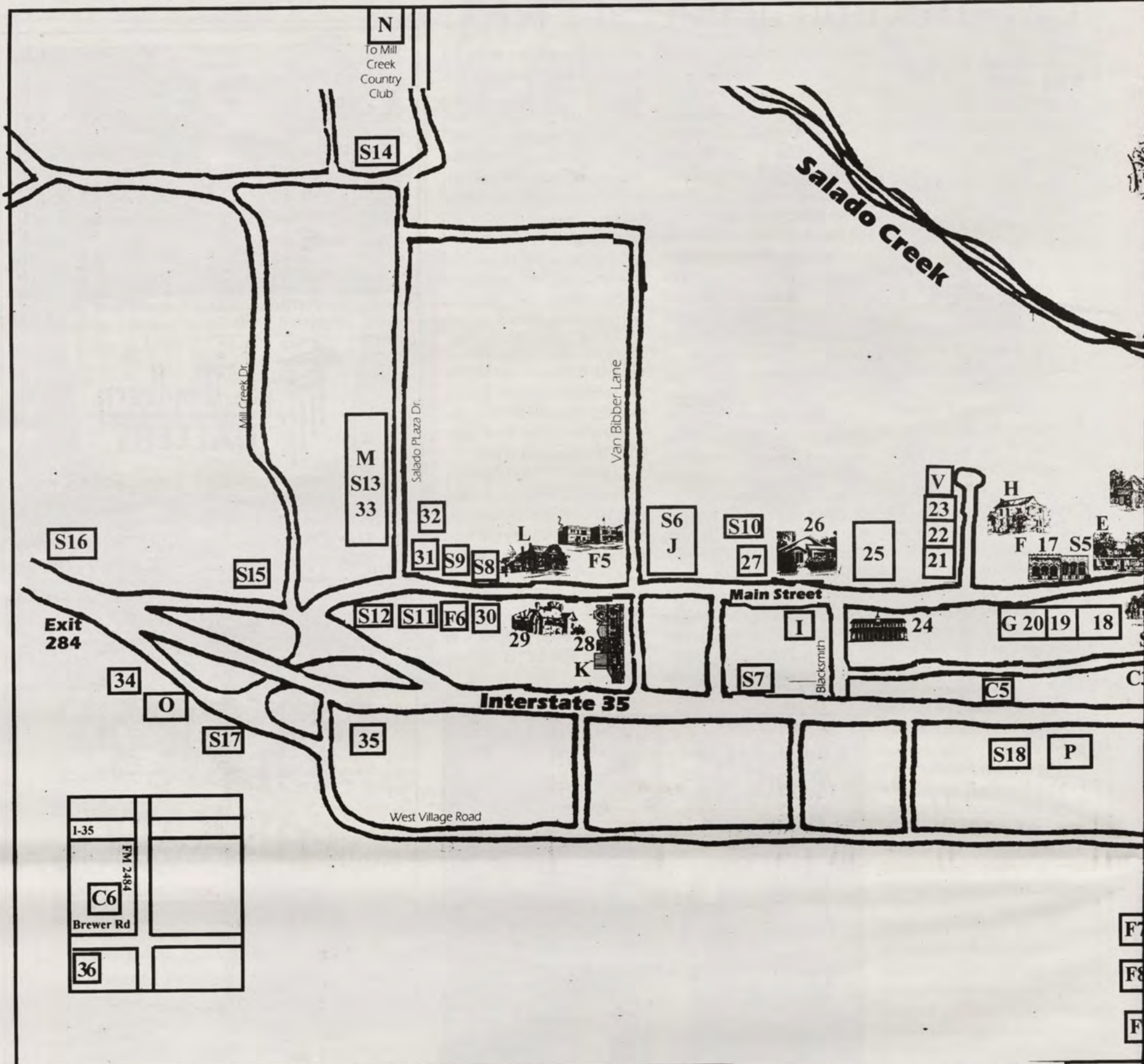
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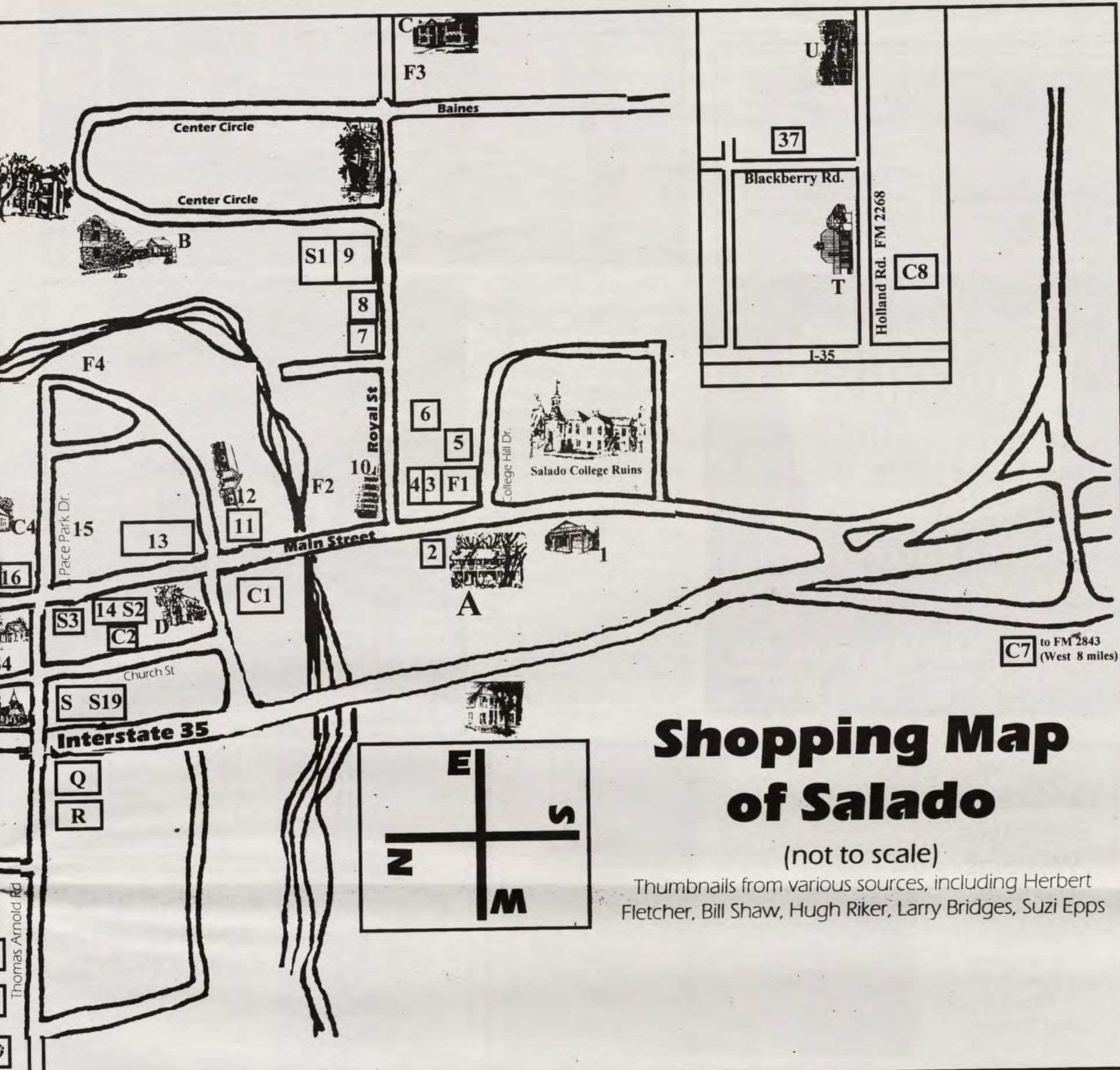
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History of Salado Library presented

In 1985, a committee of interested Saladoans was appointed by the Salado Chamber of Commerce to establish a library.

The Salado Public Library opened its doors in November 1986 in 800 square feet of space on north Stagecoach Road, with the help of consultants from the Central Texas Library System and neighboring community libraries.

Donations from Friends of the Library paid the \$300 per month lease.

The SPL moved to the Salado Civic Center in 1993, after running out of shelf space. With double the space, the SPL also had double the rent payment.

The SPL joined the Central Texas Library System in 1988, one of ten such systems in the state. The CTLS includes over 60 libraries in an area from Lockhart to Hillsboro and from Llano to Bryan/College Station. CTLS provides member libraries with consultants to help with book collections and computerization, and give workshops on library programs and services.

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CAC celebrates 40 years May 3

In celebration of 40 years of generous community, business and individual support for the Cultural Activities Center, the CAC is proud to host a 40th Birthday Party and Concert 2:30 p.m. May 3 in the Temple High School Auditorium.

The nationally renowned, multi-hit recording artists, The Diamonds, will be the featured performers for the celebration. Tickets for the concert may be purchased from the CAC Box

- "Salado A Lifestyle"
- 20 Scenic acres! 3 year old;
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Office or at the door the afternoon of the performance. Adults are \$10 each and students are \$5. The La Quinta of Temple is providing housing for The Diamonds.

The Diamonds began their recording career in 1956 with the hit record *Why Do Fools Fall In Love*. This was followed by *Church Bells May Ring* and in early 1957 they recorded *Little Darlin'*. That year *Little Darlin'* was one of the most popular songs in America as well as Europe, staying on the charts for 35 weeks and is now considered a rock and roll classic. Continuing with a string of hits including *The Stroll*, *Silhouettes*, *She Say*, *One Summer Night* and *Thousand Miles Away*, The Diamonds have sold over 40 million records.

"This is our way of thanking everyone who has enthusiastically supported the Cultural Activities Center these past years," explains David Pennington, Executive Director of the Center. "Our patrons and community supporters have been a tremendous driving force in the continued and thriving success of the CAC. We want to let those who enjoy and participate in the many programs and events at the Center know how much we appreciate them."

CAC Board Members will be on hand to treat concert attendees to birthday cake, punch and coffee in the THS lobby following the performance. The Diamonds will also be available to sign autographs and greet the public during the reception.

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Local Masons gather to honor Jim McCracken

by John Eubanks

Salado Freemasons gathered April 24 at the Civic Center to present fellow Saladoan Jim McCracken with their highest award given to a non-Mason.

McCracken received the Community Builder Award for his unselfish efforts in the community during his nearly 10 years here.

He received the award from David B. Dibrell, Grand Junior Warden of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas.

Dibrell told the Masons and their guests about McCracken's participation in many community projects.

McCracken and wife Virginia came to Salado in 1989, after his retirement from General Motors (insurance division) in Los Angeles.

He soon became active in community affairs as a volunteer with the Salado Public Library and now serves on the board of trustees.

He is a member of the Lions Club and participates in many of the club's community projects.

He and Virginia have delivered "Meals on Wheels" in Temple and Belton. In coop-



(photo by John Eubanks)

Jim McCracken accepts the Community Builder award presented by David Benton Dibrell, Grand Junior of the Grand Lodge of Texas.

eration with others in Salado, they also organized a new congregation for a Presbyterian Church. He served as chairman of the organizing group, and is now an elder and treasurer of the church.

Before briefly addressing the nearly packed Meadows Auditorium after a barbecue dinner, McCracken introduced approximately a dozen members of his family.

He said he was especially happy that his parents were there to hear Dibrell list their son's accomplishments.

"Dad enjoyed it, and mom believed it," he said, eliciting laughter.

Standing at the podium, McCracken then extended a hand to his nearby wife and gave her credit for the award he was receiving.

"She deserves it at least as much as I do," he said, with a catch in his throat. "And there are others in this town who deserve it more than I do."

McCracken said Salado's a wonderful place "because of its wonderful people."

He mentioned a book by Chicago newspaper columnist Bob Greene, "Chevrolet Summers, Dairy Queen Nights," which relates about the many "wonderful things that are happening around us every day" in town throughout the country - including Salado.

After McCracken's address, Fred McAferty, master of Salado Masonic Lodge 296, asked Virginia if she had anything to add.

Turning to her husband, she said, "I think he said just about everything."



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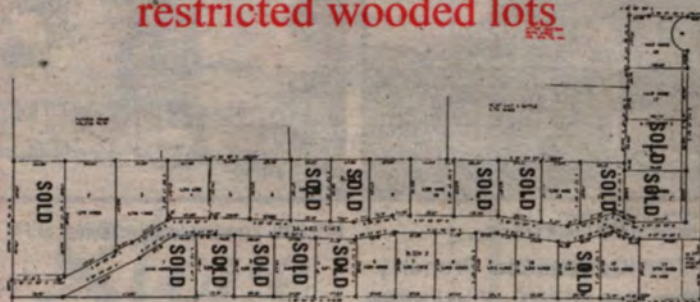
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10% Down • 10% Interest

Commercial
Office
Rentals
starting at
\$275 per
month.
IH-35
frontage
in Salado.

Prestigious
office/retail
space
available.
The Veranda
on Main St.
Salado.

The Bluffs at Salado Creek

Lot #	Acres	Price
1	0.62	Sold
2	0.76	Sold
3	1.09	Sold
4	1.73	\$60,000
5	0.84	\$40,000
6	0.92	\$40,000
7	0.76	\$50,000
8	0.76	\$50,000
9	0.62	\$25,000

Owner Finance