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Salado football players kicked off the season with two-a-days last week. About 50 turned out for the practice sessions in 100 degree weather. See story, page 8A.

District earns recognized status

## TEA names SHS 'exemplary'

by Tim Fleischer  
Editor-in-Chief

Salado ISD officials learned last week that the district was earned a recognized ranking by Texas Education Agency, while Salado High School was named an exemplary campus. Thomas Arnold Elementary was given an acceptable rating by TEA's accountability system.

"We raised the bar for Texas schools again this year," said Commissioner of Education Mike Moses when he announced the accountability findings last week. "They not only met the challenge, most exceeded it. The ratings show the strong improvement that is occurring in Texas public schools."

This is the first time that a Salado school campus has achieved the exemplary rating, which is based on the percentage of students passing the reading, writing and mathematics sections of the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills examination, as well as attendance and dropout rates.

Salado High School is one of 1,042 school campuses to earn the exemplary rating. To earn an exemplary rating, at least 90 percent of all the students and each student group (African American, Hispanic, white and economically disadvantaged) had to pass the reading, writing and mathematics sections of the TAAS test. An attendance rate of at least 94 was also required. Because of Salado's small numbers, drop-

out rates were not evaluated for accountability status.

The High School showed the following passing rates for all students on the TAAS test: Reading, 93.7 percent; Mathematics, 91 percent; and Writing, 92.6 percent. Salado High School showed an attendance rate of 95.5 percent.

"The exemplary rating is the result of teachers focusing on objectives, students motivated enough to work hard and learn and parents who want their children to succeed and instill in their children the value of education," said High School principal Marvin Agnew, who begins his second school year at Salado High School today.

"I just happened to be in the

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## Trustees set hearing Aug. 17 on \$4.8 million budget

by Tim Fleischer  
Editor-in-Chief

Salado ISD Trustees will adopt the 1998-99 budget and set a date for a tax rate hearing during its regular meeting 7 p.m. Aug. 17 at the Salado Civic Center. The board will adopt the budget following a public hearing on the budget.

Trustees have worked with campus and district administrators on a proposed budget of \$4,723,997 in expenditures. With a possible tax hike of 23.03 cents, revenues for the proposed budget will be \$4,813,955. Financial consultant Paul Fleming advised the board that "Expenses need to be under projected revenue for 1998-99 to get a cushion." (See budget graph 1)

With a possible increase of the local tax rate to \$1.49 per \$100 evaluation, the district will be able to endow the fund balance by at least \$89,958. Presently, the fund balance is near \$90,000. The Texas Education Agency recommends that districts keep a fund balance of at least two month's operating costs; for Salado ISD, the optimal fund balance would be close to \$750,000.

Superintendent Robin Battershell said that the board would consider increasing the tax rate to \$1.49 to "maximize state Tier II Funding for the next three years. A tax rate of \$1.45 will maximize for 1998-

99 but not for 1999-2000." The current tax rate of \$1.2597 is below the amount necessary to maximize state funding, Dr. Battershell noted. Each cent on the tax rate generates \$20,485 in local revenues and \$9,195 in state Tier II revenues (when maximized).

State Tier II funding is very similar to the Robin Hood Plan proposed 15 years ago by the Select Committee on Public Education (SCOPE). While it does not "take" money from wealthy districts to give to poor districts, it does increase the burden on wealthy districts to fund their budgets from local revenues.

Property rich districts, such as Salado ISD with an estimated \$202,437 per student property wealth, are required to fund a greater portion of their budget from local tax revenues. Property rich districts must also adopt a higher tax rate in order to maximize any state funding they hope to receive. Property poor districts have a larger portion of their budget funded by state monies and have a lower tax rate in order to maximize for state funds.

For example, Salado must fund approximately 60 percent of its budget in local revenues while nearby Holland ISD funds approximately 30 percent of its revenues locally. Salado must adopt a tax rate near \$1.50 in order to maxi-

Budget by Function	1997-98 Current Budget	1998-99 Proposed Budget
<b>Revenues</b>		
Local	\$1.259/\$100 tax rate	\$1.49/\$100 tax rate
State		2,675,699
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>4,340,141</b>	<b>4,813,955</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>		
Instruction	2,581,587	2,687,259
Instructional Resources	85,921	123,654
Curriculum & Staff development	8,000	10,500
School Leadership	300,395	321,874
Guidance/counseling	97,835	97,612
Health services	32,600	32,600
Student Transportation	108,933	116,207
Food Services	253,800	215,300
Co-curricular/extra-curricular	209,930	211,803
General Administration	243,657	234,872
Plant Maintenance & Operation	487,818	494,018
Security & Monitoring Service	3,600	2,400
Community Services	8,000	1,200
Debt Service	104,002	84,698
Capital Outlay: Land & Buildings	89,682	0
Payments to fiscal agents	94,935	90,000
<b>Expenditure Totals</b>	<b>4,710,695</b>	<b>4,723,997</b>
Effect on Fund Balance	-370,554	89,958

mize state funding while Holland's rate is closer to \$1.32 to maximize.

A comparison of tax rates and proposed tax rates for Bell County schools is shown in graph 2. Property values and property tax rates for Salado ISD since 1990-91 is shown in graph 3. Salado has almost doubled in taxable property values since 1990-91. Taxable values in 1990-91 were \$107.4

million (with a local tax rate of \$1.2999. Taxable values for 1998-99 are \$213.5 million with a proposed tax rate of \$1.49.

According to the Bell County Tax Appraisal District, which reevaluated property values this year, the average homestead in Salado ISD increased in value from \$96,000 last year to \$108,000, an in-

crease of over 12 percent. Taxes on the average homestead would increase by \$365.34 from \$1,020.36 to \$1,385.70, a jump of 35.81 percent.

Budget expenditures for 1998-99 (\$4,723,997) are similar in total to the final 1997-98 budget (\$4,710,695), but there are several differences. Expen-

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# FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas

## Parents prep for another back-to-school sell job

By the time you read this, Marilyn and I will have put Royce and Jenny on the school bus to start another year.

We will have wiped the sleep out of their eyes, straightened their hair and kissed them on their cheeks to send them on their way. Of course, we'll have to kiss Royce while the bus is still two blocks away. If his friends saw that act, he would just die of embarrassment. I understand. I was in fourth grade once.

The first day of school (or the days leading up to it, anyway) is always filled with dread, anticipation and awe.

Your whole world can change in the space between grades. The kid who ate boogers in the second grade and was the victim of playground bullies has grown a foot since you last taunted him. And he's looking for you.

The little girl with whom you shared that first electric kiss and with whom you first passed notes ("Do you like me? Yes or No circle one") doesn't even notice you in the hallway because she likes Bill French now.

Your best buddy moved to Germany over the summer. Being an Army brat, I had lots of best buddies over the years.

The textbooks seem much thicker each year. The first year we had to switch classes between bells was complete chaos for the first week or so. It was a giant leap for sixth graders, probably as great as Armstrong's moonwalk.

And the last source of dread: the "school clothes" you bought the last week of summer. Will the shoes and blue jeans Mom bought at Sears be

## Digressions

Tim Fleischer

the source of respect or ridicule? Respect on the playground was crucial for survival. Unfortunately, Darwin's Theory is proven every day a kid wears the wrong namebrand of shoes or shirt.

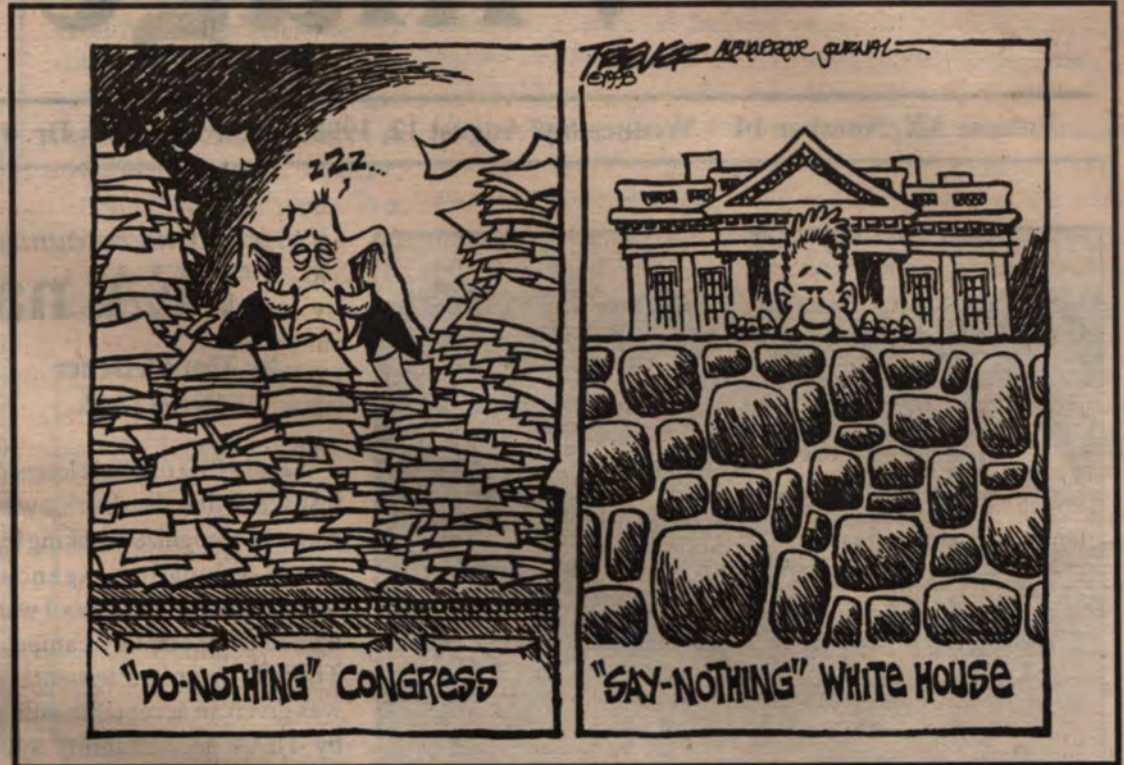
Mine was the transitional generation between Tuffskins and Nike. Tuffskins blue jeans were no status symbol. They were utilitarian. Built to last, with reinforced knees, denim that was thick and fade resistant, they were not a thing of beauty. You would outgrow them before wearing them out. Parents bought Tuffskins because they were cheap and lasted forever. Just about every kid wore them.

But somewhere along junior high school came Jordache jeans and Nike shoes. Worn properly, Jordache jeans were so tight, you couldn't breathe. Quite the opposite of today's "grunge" look, which is a uniform in its own right.

Today's look — baggy and sloppy and pierced — is no statement in self-expression. Look close enough at the grunge look and you can see the same uniform of youth as the Izod shirts and Docksiders, as tie-dyed T-shirts and sandals, as poodle skirts and bobby socks.

The need to fit in and have the right look has become so ingrained in our culture that kids are being shot because of a logo on the side of a shoe. Yet, each year, like lemmings,

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## Surplus could tax reps' good sense

Despite the nonsensical erraticism of the current stock market; the doomsday look on the faces of the business gurus who try to explain the unexplainable gyrations of an American economic system trying to mesh with a fouled up global economy plus a heat-wave that is about to drive everyone nuts - there is an open window of good news emanating from the treasury of the State of Texas!

**A budget surplus of from six to eight billion bucks will be on hand when lawmakers convene in January, 1999,** for the State's 76th attempt to make sense out of mostly legislative foolishness.

Can't you imagine the greedy looks; the rubbing of hands and the drooling whispers by those we select to "watch" over our money and our State? This also creates the sappy conundrum: **"How to spend all this "surplus" so that a maximum of credit is given to the incumbents with little worry about results that might, in any way, help the citizenry".**

### DEJA VU - ALL OVER AGAIN

All of this sudden wealth transports political junkies back in time to December, 1974.

Dolph Briscoe was the newly reelected governor. The oil embargo was in full swing and the price of petroleum was soaring. Result was a budget surplus of over three billion - unheard of at that point in time!

Picture the following scene. Time: 9:15 on the morning of December 17, 1974. A bright Tuesday just a few days short of Christmas. The place was

### Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



the Governor's private office at the capitol building.

The players included the good Guv, House Speaker Billy Clayton, Comptroller Bob Bullock and Lt. Governor Bill Hobby.

The subject naturally enough was the surplus that was on the front page of nearly all the dailies.

For the first time the term "Rainy Day Fund" surfaced with credit given to Briscoe. His idea was to put at least half, or more if possible, of the extra dollars into a reserve savings account that would draw maximum interest against the day when oil revenues declined (as they did) and demands for more services increased (also, as they did).

"This will keep a state tax hike in abeyance for a long time" noted the Uvalde rancher-governor.

To make this story a tad shorter - Bullock agreed with the Governor but the two legislative leaders stonewalled and so it came to pass that the legislature, when it convened a few days later and under the directions of Hobby in the Senate and Clayton in the House, **spent every last penny of the surplus!** And it took them only 140 days to do it.

Two unfortunate results from this foolish free-for-all included, first and foremost - squandering the funds on items that need constant biennial spending renewals - state buildings, new college cam-

pus, and questionable programs that are in place to this day.

Secondly, it forced enactment of new taxes by the next three governors in a row - Bill Clements, Mark White and Ann Richards - all because they ran out of revenue as the population grew with its concomitant demands for services which in turn created a need for more money.

**All as predicted by Briscoe and Bullock!**

It is interesting to note in retrospect that had the "Rainy Day Fund" been set up with three billion put out at compounded interest, from 1974 to 1981 - it would have been sufficient to handle the added revenue needs during the next three administrations - all without new or additional taxes!

### LESSON FOR 76<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATURE???

Is there some sort of history lesson from the story above that might be taken to heart by our fearless lawmakers who will take their oaths to protect the state and its citizens, this coming January?

Could they possibly decide to take some of this huge surplus and sock it away against a less booming economic day?

Or will they fritter it all away?

Democrats, who we believe will hold a slight majority in the lower house, will want to increase their numbers in the years ahead. **Will they succumb to the temptation to spend their way into reelection? Will the benumbed public docilely follow along with this crass stupidity?**

Will Republicans feel com-  
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pelled, as is their wont, to return the excess funds to citizens through a massive reduction in property and or business taxes?

A nice thought but what happens when the economy sours (as it eventually will) and lawmakers have to reinstate the taxes? And who gets reelected when this takes place?

Placing most of the surplus in high yield investments that are fully protected could give Texans billions of extra dollars to offset tax increases. Perhaps well into the next century.

Six billion dollars can earn a billion dollars each and every biennium - enough to take the pressure off a growing and demanding state budget.

The next session will be akin to watching a soap opera.

What will the legislature do with this lottery-like windfall?

Who will cave in and recklessly spend the money?

Who will want to save it?

What will be the role of the Governor, speaker, Lt. Governor?

Stay tuned but in the meantime, have a heart to heart talk with your personal lawmakers and let it be known that you will brook no foolishness with this sudden and unexpected bonanza and force them to make wise decisions in Janu-

ary, that could have a lasting effect well past the next five sessions of the loony-tune, funny-farm antics, that we charitably call our legislature-in-action!

**DNGers IN ACTION!!**

Someone asked what the Salado branch of the international "Do-No-Gooders" was up to these days (the group that meets, as you are well aware, with alarming regularity at the Stagecoach Coffee Shop).

Quick investigation revealed that on one recent day, the group mulled over the local water situation; rehashed the subject of who will be the next president and grumped about what sort of legacy the current president will leave when he heads back to Arkansas?

Heavy subjects proving once again that only the highest levels of discussion take place (almost) on a daily basis among these curmudgeon-like observers of village, state and national life.

**WATER PLAN**

As for water - DNGers were pleased that the local supplier had held off rationing but hope that the continued drought will force customers to take better care of this precious resource.

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They are also looking forward to hearing about the long range plans that the water folks are working on and commend the water board for prudently putting away money for the expansion that will be needed in the days ahead.

**AL GORE?**

Chit-chat about who the next president might be, came to a screeching halt when Al Gore's name surfaced. Glassy eyes rolled heavenward as these mostly conservative DNGers were forced to admit they are still in the political wilderness seeking someone to lead them to the promised land.

**CLINTON**

As to the current Prez' future - ideas ranged from immediate resignation, impeachment, censure or a "mea culpa" confession on national TV. Most just want to get this mess over and done with - ASAP. The legacy part is uncertain but hardly heraldic. Probably something along the lines borrowed from Charles Dickens on the opening page of "A Tale Of Two Cities":

**"The Best of Times (economically) and The Worst of Times (personal behavior-morals)".**

That's -30-

**Digressions**

we rush out to The Mall or to Wal-Mart (don't get me started on that subject) to buy the right clothes in hopes that our child is not the one singled out for wearing the wrong kind of shoes. It's understandable that no parent wants their child to suffer the slings and arrows of others.

corporations to tell us (and, more importantly, our children) that the nametag in your shirt is more important than the value of your own good name. That what you wear and where you eat is more important than what you do and who you are.

I digress.

School should be a place for the three Rs, not the Four Rs:

**FROM Page 2A**

Reading, 'Riting, 'Rithmetic and Ridicule. It should be a place to learn citizenship, not consumerism.

But it will take parents to lead by example, to put down the \$125 pair of Nikes and buy the \$25 pair of shoes from Payless, not the Footlocker.

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**1998 Property Tax Rates**

in SALADO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

This notice concerns 1998 property tax rates for SALADO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the school district used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the school district can set before it must hold a rollback election. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

<b>Last year's tax rate:</b>	
Last year's operating taxes	\$1,966,406
Last year's debt taxes	\$324,430
Last year's total taxes	\$2,290,836
Last year's tax base	\$181,855,696
Last year's total tax rate	1.2597 /\$100
<b>This year's effective tax rate:</b>	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$1,934,668
/ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$173,081,022
= This year's effective tax rate	1.1177 /\$100
<b>This year's rollback tax rate:</b>	
Amount of local taxes needed based on state funding formulas and 1998-99 student enrollment	\$2,451,601
/ This year's adjusted tax base	\$183,101,569
= This year's local maintenance and operation rate	1.3389 /\$100
OR adopted 1996 maintenance and operation rate	1.0800 /\$100
= This year's maintenance and operation rate (use greater of 2 rates above)	1.3389 /\$100
+ \$0.08	1.4189 /\$100
+ Rate increase adopted for 1997-98 school year	0.0000 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.3074 /\$100
+ Rate to recoup loss certified by commissioner of education	0.0000 /\$100
= This year's rollback rate	1.7263 /\$100

**Schedule A: Unencumbered Fund Balances**

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
MAINTENANCE & OPERATION	\$0
INTEREST & SINKING	\$0

**Schedule B: 1998 Debt Service**

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
1977 SCHOOL BONDS	\$75,000	\$36,113	\$500	\$111,613
1997 SCHOOL BONDS	\$150,000	\$352,029	\$1,000	\$503,029
Total required for 1998 debt service				\$614,642
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				\$0
- Excess collections last year				\$3,901
- State aid for facilities				\$53,342
= Total to be paid from taxes in 1998				\$557,399
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 99.00% of its taxes in 1998				\$5,630
= Total debt levy				\$563,029

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 411 E CENTRAL BELTON TX 76513.

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price meals. A foster child may get free or reduced-price meals regardless of your income. The reduced price is 40 cents for lunch and 30 cents for breakfast.

To get free or reduced meals for your children, you must complete an application and return it to the school. The school cannot approve an application that is not complete. Applications are available from the school.

### How to Apply

If you now get food stamps or TANF for the children you are applying for, the application must have the children's names, a food stamp or TANF case number for each child, and the signature of an adult household member.

If you are applying for a foster child, the application must have the child's name, the child's "personal use" income and an adult signature.

If you do not list a food stamp or TANF case number for all children you are applying for, then the application must have the children's names, the names of all household members, the amount of income each person got last month and where it came from, the signature of an adult household member and that adult's

social security number or the word "none" if the adult does not have a social security number.

**Confidentiality:** School officials use the information on the application only to decide if your children should get free or reduced price meals. Free and reduced price eligibility information may be subject to release to other federal, state and local education, health or other means-tested programs. Some programs already identified are the National Assessment of Educational Progress and officials collecting data for Title I allocation and evaluation process.



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ditures for instruction and instructional services are \$143,405 higher than last year's totals. Expenditures in school leadership are \$21,479 higher than last year. Debt service is \$19,304 less than last year. Food services are \$38,500 less than last year's budget. The board expects no capital outlay for land and buildings this year, as opposed to \$89,682 last year.

Dr. Battershell said that the board has been "very conservative in estimating revenues." She said the board anticipated 10 percent growth in enrollment during the budget process.

The proposed budget includes: two new teaching positions (\$50,000), a gifted and talented coordinator (\$32,000 approved at the July meeting) ISS aides (\$15,000), additional supplies (\$15,800), library books (\$12,000), building expenses (\$2,000), additional bus driver (\$3,000), a girl's coach (\$28,000), a business manager (\$18,000) and adjustment for stipend increases (\$4,800). It also includes a middle school principal salary for three months, beginning in June 1999, with the Fall 1999 open-

Graph 2

Tax Rates of Bell County School Districts				
District	95-96	96-97	97-98	Proposed 98-99
Academy	1.297	1.31	1.305	1.40
Bartlett	1.277	1.26	1.277	NA
Belton	1.36	1.41	1.49	1.58
Holland	1.285	1.29	1.36	1.42
Killeen	1.33	1.35	1.35	1.45
Rogers	1.286	1.33	1.3847	1.45
Salado	1.29	1.29	1.2597	1.49
Temple	1.461	1.58	1.67	1.70+
Troy	1.320	1.34	1.36	1.40-1.45

Graph 3

SISD taxable property values and tax rates		
Year	Valuation	Tax rate
1990-91	107,370,442	1.2999
1991-92	109,637,210	1.4661*
1992-93	113,208,303	1.4420*
1993-94	119,500,449	1.4420
1994-95	123,471,079	1.4410
1995-96	161,099,482	1.2897
1996-97	173,848,420	1.2897
1997-98	182,470,202	1.2597
1998-99	213,490,901	1.49**

\* includes Bell County Education District tax  
\*\* possible tax rate not yet set

ing of the middle school. Battershell explained that if these budgeted expenditures are not used in 1998-99, the money will endow the fund balance.

**Trustees have busy agenda for Aug. 17 regular meeting**

Salado ISD Board of Trustees will meet in regular session 6 p.m. Aug. 17. The open session of the meeting will begin at 7 p.m. Following the executive session, the board will hear public input, if any.

Superintendent Robin Battershell will present her report to the board and recognize special accomplishments of students in the district.

The board will then take ac-

tion resulting from discussion in the closed session.

The board will then approve the following items: minutes of the July meeting, bookkeepers and tax collectors report, budget change requests and payment of bills.

The board will conduct a hearing on the proposed 1998-99 budget and then approve the 1998-99 budget (see related story this issue).

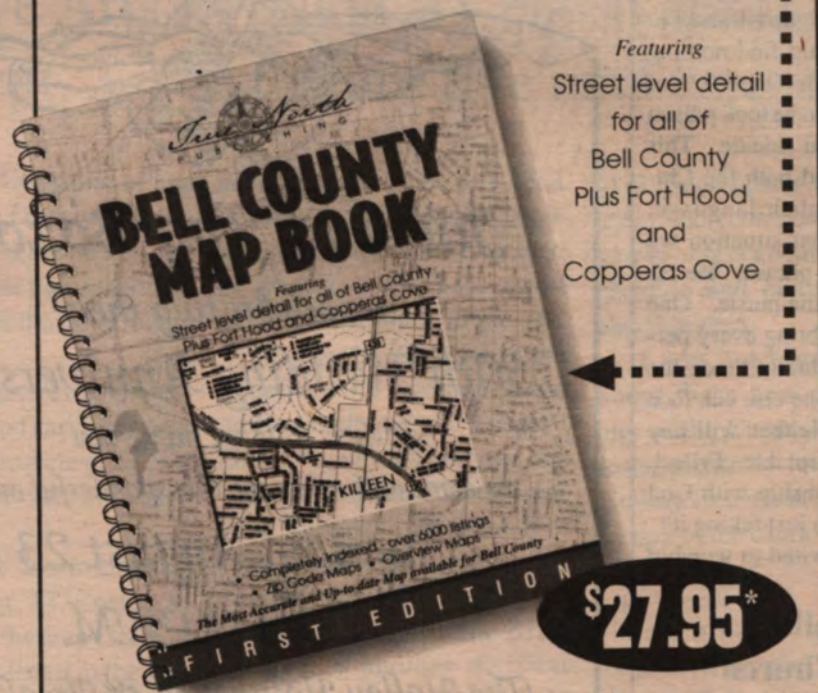
The board will also approve

the final 1997-98 budget.

Trustees will vote on a proposed tax rate, set the date for a truth and taxation hearing and a date for approval of the 1998-99 tax rate.

In other business, the board will consider approval of handbook items, transfer policy amendment and amendment to DCA Local. The board will also consider awarding full credit for designated college level dual-credit courses.

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**Shannon Baldwin, Kyle Goretska marry**

Shannon Lea Baldwin of Salado became the bride of Kyle Alan Goretska of Belton in a double-ring ceremony July 11 at the First United Methodist Church in Belton.

The bride is the daughter of Neil and Jan Baldwin of Salado. The bridegroom is the son of Richard and Dessie Goretska of Fort Worth and Phyllis Bolt of Arlington.

The Revs. Fred Winslow and George Sutton officiated. Music was by pianist and soloist Lisa Clement of Salado and soloist Richard Thomas of Salado and Margaret Sutton of Fort Worth.

Given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore a candlelight Shantung gown with princess seaming and a beaded lace bodice and trim. The gown was made by the bride and her mother.

Matron of honor was Shelley Nagel of Temple. Bridesmaids were Cynthia Marroquin of McAllen and Brenda Perryman of Moody.

Best man was Richard Goretska, father of the bride, of Fort Worth. Groomsmen were Tony Amosson of Ankeny, Iowa, Bill Goretska of Saginaw, both brothers of the bridegroom, and Aaron



*Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Goretska*

Baldwin, brother of the bride, of McAllen.

Seating guests were Tony Amosson, Aaron Baldwin, and Norman Baldwin, brother of the bride, of Salado.

Candlelighter was Norman Baldwin.

A reception followed in the church fellowship hall.

The couple plans a wedding trip for a later date and will live in Belton.

The bride, a graduate of the University of Texas at San

Antonio with a bachelor of arts degree in interdisciplinary studies, with specialization in Early Childhood Education, is employed at Moody ISD as a fourth grade teacher.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Springtown High School and is employed at BMC West in Temple.

The bridegroom's parents were hosts for rehearsal dinner July 10 at Market Street Cafe.

**A Brief Visit With...**

**Pastor J. Floyd Franks**

The Bible says, "So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God" (Romans 14:12). I read about a man who centuries ago conned his way into the orchestra of the Chinese Emperor. He could not play the flute but he mimicked the characteristics of a seasoned flutist. His charade afforded him a modest salary and a place to live. He enjoyed the benefits of his deception until the emperor decided he would like to hear a private solo from each musician. In a state of panic, he tried to learn how to play the flute, but could not learn fast enough. In desperation, he feigned illness but the doctor could find nothing wrong with him. On the eve of his presentation he took poison and committed suicide. This event impacted both the Chinese and English language. Because of that situation we now have the phrase, "He refused to face the music." One day God will bring every person to individually "face the music." No one else can face it for you. Neither will any excuse be acceptable. Friend, is your relationship with God real or are you just faking it?

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Subject	Grade Level	All Students	Hispanic Students	White Students	Economically Disadvantaged
Reading	3	93.7	80.0	94.8	92.3
	4	86.3	60.0	89.1	80.0
	5	89.1	71.4	91.5	78.6
	6	98.4	100.0	98.2	92.3
	<b>Overall Elementary</b>	<b>92.2</b>	<b>77.3</b>	<b>92.2</b>	<b>85.0</b>
	7	89.7	100	88.3	100.0
Math	8	94.5	85.7	95.8	100.0
	10	97.0	88.9	98.2	
	<b>Overall Secondary</b>	<b>93.7</b>	<b>91.3</b>	<b>93.9</b>	<b>93.8</b>
	3	83.6	80.0	83.9	76.9
	4	96.1	100	95.7	90.0
	5	94.5	85.7	95.7	92.9
Writing	6	98.4	100	98.2	100.0
	<b>Overall Elementary</b>	<b>93.0</b>	<b>90.9</b>	<b>93.1</b>	<b>90.2</b>
	7	95.6	100.0	93.1	100.0
	8	94.4	85.7	95.7	100.0
	10	83.6	66.7	86.0	
	<b>Overall Secondary</b>	<b>91.0</b>	<b>82.6</b>	<b>86.8</b>	<b>93.8</b>
Writing	4	78.8	80.0	78.7	81.8
	8	85.2	71.4	87.2	80.0
	10	98.5	88.9	100.0	
	<b>Overall Writing</b>	<b>92.6</b>	<b>92.6</b>	<b>92.6</b>	<b>87.5</b>

### TEA Rating

right place at the right time, when these factors came together," he added. "A lot of things had to be in place here for this to happen: good teachers, students and curriculum. It didn't just happen overnight."

Also for the first time, the district as a whole earned a recognized rating.

The district showed the following passing rates on the TAAS for all students: Reading, 92.9 percent; Mathematics, 92.1 percent; Writing, 88.4 percent.

Hispanic students showed the following passing rates: Reading, 84.4 percent; Mathematics, 86.7 percent; Writing, 81 percent.

Economically disadvantaged students had the following passing rates: Reading, 87.9 percent; Mathematics, 91 percent; Writing, 84.2 percent.

The district's overall attendance rate is 96.3 percent.

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Elementary school students showed the following passing rates on the TAAS test: Reading, 92.2 percent; Mathematics, 93.0 and Writing, 78.8 percent.

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Economically disadvantaged students had the following passing rates: Reading, 86 percent; Mathematics, 90.2 percent.

White students showed the

following passing rates: Reading, 93.7 percent; Mathematics, 93.1 percent; and Writing, 78.7 percent.

See adjacent graph for more complete results of the TAAS test scores.



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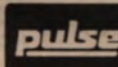
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# Weather breaks in time for start of football

by John Eubanks

Players and coaches in Salado's football program had psyched themselves up for maybe the hottest two-a-day workouts in the history of modern day football, or at least since the advent of facemasks and seven-day forecasts.

But, just when you thought it wasn't safe to go outside, along came a mild spell in time for the first day of workouts, Aug. 5.

Head football coach/chief meteorologist Joe Mullins didn't need Doppler radar to explain what happened.

"We were lucky," he said, in his East Texas baritone drawl. "The weather broke."

Temperatures the first three days of morning workouts were well below the 100-degree marks that electric-blanketed the area through July.

Temperatures are expected to be near triple digits again, when afternoon workouts begin the first day of school, Aug. 12.

But Mullins doesn't expect any problems for the players. "They came in real good shape,

and we're doing a lot of conditioning," he said.

Things are expected to heat up for an intrasquad scrimmage at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 14.

That will be followed by two scrimmages against outside opposition: Franklin here Aug. 21 and Crawford there Aug. 28. The junior varsities are scheduled to start at 5 p.m., with the varsities to follow.

Both preseason opponents are predicted to finish in the top half of their respective eight-team districts, after making the playoffs last year.

Crawford has two good runnings backs who combined for more than 2,200 yards during a 12-1 season: Jonathon Wittmer (1,310) and Shawn Massirer (897).

Wittmer and Salado fullback Taylor Hutton are among the top 20 returning rushers in Class 2A, Wittmer 16th and Hutton third (1,717 yards).

Like Wittmer, Hutton has a productive counterpart in the backfield, tailback John McLaughlin. He rushed for some 800 yards despite not playing a full season, Mullins said.

"He was hurt most of last year and we're expecting big



Salado High football players take a water break during their Aug. 6 workout. Included are running back Taylor Hutton (standing, center). Two-a-day workouts have concluded, now that school has started. The varsity's season begins Sept. 4 at home against Riesel. (photo by John Eubanks)

things from him this year," Mullins said. "We're expecting big things from Taylor and McLaughlin. We'll get the ball in their hands as many times as possible."

Both seniors reported to workouts in good shape, Mullins said. McLaughlin weighs in at 190 and Hutton at 215, making them as big or bigger than

many of the linemen who will block for them.

It's the duo's 4.6 speed in the 40-yard dash that separates them from the linemen -- and hopefully, from opposing defenses.

Hutton was the offensive MVP in District 26-2A last year, while McLaughlin was a unanimous all-district selection.

They will be spelled by junior Rory Oldham.

Mullins anticipates a bright future for Hutton, who has received the usual compliment of recruiting letters from colleges.

"If he has the type of year he had last year and doesn't get hurt, he'll play somewhere next year," Mullins said. "He's one

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# Start of school prompts column about book learnin' (not football)

I was reminded recently by one of the "loyal" readers of this column that it was time to write about football.

With baseball season "over," he figured it was time to concentrate on football.

Okay, fellow, you get your wish. Sort of.

## Verses and versus John Eubanks

While this column won't be about football, it will mention the sport. Briefly.

With the start of school this week, it's only appropriate that this column be about *book learnin'*.

Some of you who attended the second day of the Salado Art Fair Aug. 1-2 might have taken advantage of the Salado Public Library's "bag of books" special during the afternoon.

All the books you could stuff in a plastic grocery bag for the incredible price of \$2.

"Can the bag be dragging the ground?" I asked some of the volunteers, in a smart aleck tone.

Their reply was essentially, *Knock yourself out.*

Which I dang near did, considering how hot it was. I spent probably 20 minutes, literally dripping sweat, searching for just the right books that would fit into the bag without breaking it.

I've since managed to skim through a few of the books, but haven't lost myself in one just yet.

Among the half dozen or so books is one about sports. Football, in fact.

So, with the aforementioned "loyal" reader in mind, I figured it would be a good idea to work the book into this column.

Along with the other books I bought.

I got this wild idea to take a few verses from each book and have the "loyal" reader try to match those verses with the book.

The verses were picked entirely at random (since I'm writing this on deadline Monday) and will be listed first, followed by the books. The answers are at the end of this column.

### Book 1:

*You want validation from an ex-star who was anything but a goody two-shoes? From Hollywood Henderson, who fought his way up out of the ghetto? Henderson says, "Roger is the most fascinating competitor I've ever known. There's a layer of mad in Roger. If I were in a fight in an alley in the middle of Harlem, he's the one guy I'd want at my back. I'm truly*

*glad Clint Longley walked out of the room (after sucker-punching Staubach during a '76 training camp dispute). He would have been killed."*

### Book 2:

*Still hungry and not a happy man, Ned Parker was now putting in 2,400 billable hours a year and arriving at the office at four a.m. He specialized in estate planning and probate, an area of the law that, some say, is dull enough to depress anyone. Typically manipulative teenage behavior by Ned's son caused major marital problems. And the worse things got, the more rigid Ned became.*

*Then he met a second mentor, a young layman involved full-time in Christian ministry. Like Ned's first mentor, this layman excelled in all that he touched. But, unlike the first, he called forth love from everyone who met him.*

### Book 3:

*Sherman's fear was rapidly supplanted by tedium. The minutes crawled by. His left hip joint began to hurt. He shifted his weight to the right, and his back hurt. Then his right hip joint hurt. The floor was tile. The walls were tile. He rolled up his jacket to create cushion. He put it on the floor, next to the wall, and sat down and leaned back. The jacket was damp, and so were his pants. His bladder was beginning to fill, and he could feel little knives of gas in his bowels.*

### Book 4:

*I could see that it was a difficult mission, and I realized that he was starting -- I could see the ground, see the trees, and watch the pilot -- and I realized he was starting to lose a little control. Then suddenly it shifted left about three feet, and I'll never forget watching the blade hit the tree, and it stopped instantly. And once a blade stops instantly in a helicopter, it is no longer flying. It is a rock. We essentially just went down like an elevator without a cable.*

### Book 5:

*Even in normal times no one ever forgets the first time he sees Cairo, although he may be just an ordinary tourist. Cairo is traversed by a river like no other in the world. It is a city with extremes of squalor and splendor that astound the sensitive. It is a place of slums, mansions, filth, vice, poverty, disease and luxury. Everywhere there is evidence of Egypt's panoramic past.*

### Book 6:

*Their relationship, though not very romantic or passionate, grew from congeniality into a deep bond of affection and mutual understanding neither had ever experienced before. They were well suited to play complementary rather than competing roles, in the social as well as the psychological sense. She ad-*  
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Several Salado girls attended basketball camp at the University of Texas at Austin this summer. They are shown above (back row) Rachael Blodgett, Heather McLaughlin, Katie Gatenbein, Amanda Turney. (Front row) Laramie Wilson, Brittani Goodnight, Abby Buchanan. Heather won Most Hustle award and Laramie won Best Ball Hundler in their age groups.

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 mired his work and understood his struggles in the competitive academic system. He, in turn, respected her as a scientific, intellectual and sports companion and supported her career aspirations. They married at 34, after a year of courtship.

**Book 7:**  
 For men an unnamed god of duty holds down the surface of the earth; and all stock markets, all football fields, all corporation parking lots, all suburban tracts, all offices, all firing ranges,

belong to him. There a man makes a stand, makes a farm, makes an impression, makes an empire, but sooner or later, if he is lucky, the time comes to go inward, and live in "the garden." The Wild Man here is like Persephone. It is in the garden that a man finds the wealth of the psyche.

Skip Bayless. G. Iron John by Robert Bly.  
**Answers:** Book 1 (F); Book 2 (E); Book 3 (B); Book 4 (A); Book 5 (D); Book 6 (C); Book 7 (G).

**Books:** A. Colin Powell. A Biography, by Howard Means. B. The Bonfire of the Vanities by Tom Wolfe. C. The Seasons of a Man's Life by Daniel J. Levinson. D. Eban by Robert St. John. E. Pathfinders by Gail Sheehy. F. God's Coach by

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# Football

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Salado head football coach Joe Mullins watches the action during practice Aug. 6. (photo by John Eubanks)

of the hardest workers I've had."

Hutton won't be running behind running buddy John "The Wall" Woolard, a 260-pounder who played both sides of the line last year. He signed with Angelo State.

In fact, the only returning starter on the offensive line is center Sonny Oldham, a 190-pound senior.

"We're rebuilding the offensive line," Mullins said, noting that juniors Brian Butscher and Trey Hutton and senior Juan Jimenez played some last year.

Mullins sounded optimistic about finding a quarterback to replace Paul Mashburn, who graduated.

"We feel we're pretty solid at quarterback with Ryan Gillespie and Michael Schoepf," Mullins said.

Senior Gillespie was the backup last year, and junior Schoepf quarterbacked the junior varsity, which posted a 6-3-1 mark.

They will throw to wide receiver Paul Lucas, a second-team all-district pick last year as a sophomore.

Mullins said the defense is similar to the offense in that the backfield is in good shape, while the interior line is suspect.

"We've got holes to fill in the defensive line," Mullins said.

One large hole was left vacant by Woolard, the district's defensive MVP last year.

End Adam Nuse is the only returning starter on the line, after earning honorable mention all-district as a junior.

Hutton (146 tackles) and McLaughlin return at linebacker, while Gillespie returns at free safety. Lucas also played some in the secondary.

McLaughlin is expected to do the kicking and punting.

The Eagles will kick off the season Sept. 4 at home against Riesel, which is ranked 23rd in the *Texas Football* preseason Top 25 poll.

Five non-district games include Class 3A opponents Liberty Hill and Lorena.

The Eagles should be seasoned by the time district play begins Oct. 9 at home against Academy, one of three new teams in District 26-2A.

Last season in Mullins' first year as head coach, Salado went 6-4 overall and 3-2 in district, but failed to qualify for one of two playoff spots.

This year, three of the six district teams are eligible for the playoffs, and Salado is predicted to be one of those teams.

"I feel like we'll have a good season," Mullins said.

Last year he felt "pretty comfortable" entering the season, because of a heralded senior class.

Of the approximately 50

players who reported for workouts this year, just nine are seniors.

"The juniors are going to have to step up in leadership," Mullins said.

"When you have a lot of seniors like we did last year, you face a rebuilding year the next year, and that's what we're facing this year."

**COACHING STAFF:** Mullins' staff includes holdovers Alan Haire, Brett Mullins and Randy Fewell, along with newcomers Mark Marshall and Tim Warden. Marshall comes from Comfort, and Warden is a first-year coach.

**1998 Football Schedule**

Sept. 4	<u>Riesel</u>	8:00
Sept. 11	at Moody	8:00
Sept. 18	at Liberty Hill	7:30
Sept. 25	<u>Cedar Park (H)</u>	8:00
Oct. 2	at Lorena	7:30
Oct. 9	<u>Academy*</u>	7:30
Oct. 16	<u>Holland*</u>	7:30
Oct. 23	at Johnson City*	8:00
Oct. 30	<u>Florence*</u>	7:30
Nov. 6	at Troy*	7:30

Home games underlined  
\*-- District game.  
(H)-- Homecoming

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Entries are due to the Fair office by Aug. 17. Cost is \$1 per entry and there are 280 different classes listed in the new Creative Arts catalog for both youth and adults to enter. Items are checked for judging 3-6 p.m. Sept. 1.

Prize money and ribbons are presented to the top entries in

each class. A tri-color ribbon is awarded to the Best of Show in each category such as best of photography, best wood carving, best candy or pie, etc.

Another new feature of the Creative Arts Division is the addition of several "Display Only" categories such as antique quilts, quilts older than one year, carvings older than one year, and older pieces of painted porcelain.

The Grandparents Brag Contest is another division which has expanded to include entries of infants, older grandchildren and multiples or groups of grandchildren. In this unique contest, the grandparents (or great-grandparent) prepared a

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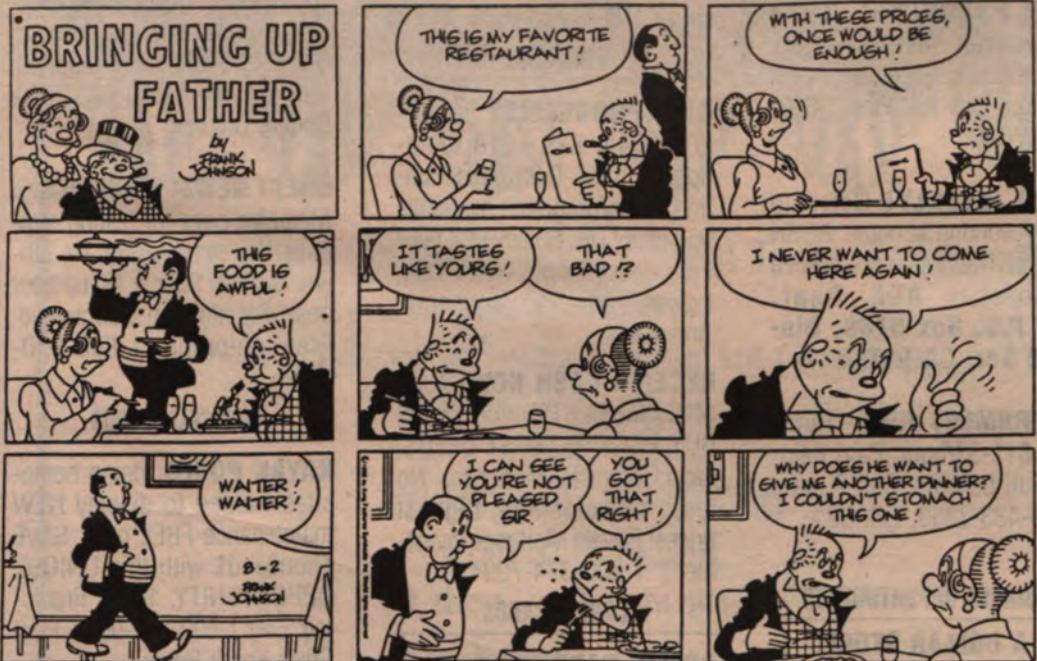
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## Memorial services held Aug. 7 in Belton for Robert Kelley Utley, Jr., of Salado

Memorial services for Robert Kelley Utley, Jr. of Salado were held Aug. 7 at the First Presbyterian Church in Belton with the Rev. David Duncan and Dr. Thomas Allen officiating. A private burial was held in the North Belton Cemetery.

Mr. Utley died Aug. 4 in a Temple Hospital.

Kelley Utley was born on Sept. 8, 1922 in Plano. He was

the son of Robert Kelley Utley, Sr. and Clara Franklin Utley. He attended Texas A&M University. He married Frances Means on March 15, 1944.

Mr. Utley served with the United States Marine Corps during World War II. He was awarded the Bronze Star. He was in the building business with Means Lumber Company for 22 years.

In 1968 he became the Fi-

nance Director for the city of Belton. Very active in the State organization, he served two terms as President of the Texas Association of Assessing Officers.

Mr. Utley joined the Rotary Club in 1949 and was still an active member of the Belton Club. He was a past President of the Rotary Club and a Paul Harris Fellow. He served many years as an Elder in the First Presbyterian Church.

He is survived by his wife, Frances Utley of Salado; two sons, Robert Kelley Utley III of Dallas, David Means Utley of Plano; a daughter, Margaret Ann Wright of Morgan's Point, three grandchildren, Steve Utley, Brian Utley, and Wendy Wright, and five great-grandchildren, Jake, Luke, Abby, Hannah, and Emma Utley.

The family requests memorials be made to the First Presbyterian Church of Belton or to Scott and White Hospital, Hepatitis C Research.

Heartfield Funeral Home of Belton was in charge of the arrangements.

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Central Texas Area Museum is located on South Main Street. (photo by John Eubanks)

## Restoration planned for museum

Closed for 3 years, Salado site plans to open late in the spring

by John Eubanks

Restoration on the Central Texas Area Museum will begin at the end of this month and take about five months to complete, museum board president Cile Ambrose said Aug. 6.

"We hope to open the museum sometime late next spring," Ambrose added.

The museum is on Main Street, across from the Stagecoach Inn restaurant and next

door to the adjoining Wee Scots Shop. It has been closed for about three years after the building, built in 1860, suffered from water damage due to a faulty roof. The entire complex has been reroofed.

"Frankly, we haven't had the funds to do what we needed to do," Ambrose said. "We had some donations from members and friends."

The situation changed when a "special benefactor" agreed

to underwrite the \$80,000 project for restoration of the building's interior and exterior. The benefactor wishes to remain anonymous, Ambrose said.

Texas Silverado Inc. of Garland has been contracted to do the work. John McLeod, who will oversee the project, was in Salado recently to prepare for

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# Writer's grandson is a champion -- and he has the belt buckle to prove it

by Tumbleweed Smith

Jackson Lewis is seven. He lives in The Colony, Texas, a suburb of Dallas. He is already an accomplished author. A story he wrote is included in a Lewisville School District publication containing students' work. One afternoon at a book signing he gave a hundred autographs to people acquiring the book.

He is an honor student.

Jackson is also familiar with the stage. He has played his nose flute the last three years as a featured attraction at my one man shows in Fort Davis.

Did I mention Jackson is my grandson?

Jackson spends a few weeks with us every June during rodeo season. Last year, our rodeo started a new event called Mutton Bustin.' Kids between the ages of 5 and 8 try to ride a sheep for 8 seconds. The winner gets a pair of Justin boots and a belt buckle with the word champion on it. Jackson wanted to enter last year, but there were too many contestants when he signed up

and he didn't get to ride.

This year was another matter. He was the first to enter. The rodeo started on Wednesday. He was to ride on Thursday. On opening night, he observed the mutton busters closely, studying their techniques. Some held on to the fleece, others locked their arms around the sheep's neck. Jackson had already decided he would try the locking arms method.

Last year, in preparation for the event, I got on all fours and he crawled on my back and locked his arms around my neck. I pitched, bucked, twisted and turned, but he never fell off. This year, the practice sessions were longer and more intense. Again, he stayed on.

Thursday came. Jackson went swimming, read a book, practiced on my back a little, and rested. At supper, he said he was not nervous at all. Jackson was confident he would win. The thought of losing never entered his mind. He kept telling us he would win a pair of boots. We were a lot more apprehensive than he

was.

At the rodeo, the young contestants were checked in, fitted for protective vests and helmets and hauled out to the rodeo arena in the back of a pickup truck. Jackson was the first rider.

He crawled on the back of that sheep, locked his arms around its neck and the sheep took off. Jackson and the sheep headed for the middle of the arena, then the sheep veered to the right and headed right for the wall. Jackson's helmet fell off and his hair flapped in the breeze. But he stayed on. The crowd cheered. Jackson made a score of 80.

Most of the other 8 contestants fell off. One made 75 points. While they rode, Jackson remained optimistic. He knew his ride would win.

It did. When the announcer named Jackson Lewis of The Colony, Texas as the winner, Jackson was thrilled, even though he expected to win.

For us, it was a big relief. We have photos and videos of his ride. Our grandson is a champion and has the belt buckle to prove it..

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**Quick siblings welcome new sis**

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**Sailor reports**

Navy Seaman Apprentice Joseph B. McGowen, son of Pamela D. Young of Belton, recently reported for duty aboard the guided missile frigate USS Rentz, homeported in San Diego.

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## TC Wind Symphony invites new members

The Temple College Wind Symphony invites new musicians to join the ensemble for the 1998-99 concert season.

The Wind Symphony is conducted by Stephen Crawford. The ensemble performs music from the Renaissance to the present day. Repertoire is se-

lected to expose the musicians to a variety of musical challenges, enhancing the development of all players, Crawford said.

The Wind Symphony is open to TC students, high school students, and adult performers. There are openings in all sections, especially trumpets and

clarinets.

"The Wind Symphony is a wonderful mixture of TC students and professional music educators/performers, as well as talented community players," Crawford said. "We encourage more participation from the community. This is really their band, too. We want to make this ensemble a true community-college band."

Starting his fourth year at TC, Crawford is a nationally recognized conductor and scholar of wind literature. He has conducted performances at national and international conferences including the National College Band Directors Conference and the International Horn Symposium. He has conducted four world premiere performances and plans to conduct another premiere performance of a work by composer Ken Langer with the Wind Symphony this fall.

The Wind Symphony will perform four concerts this season: Oct. 11, Nov. 22, March 5, and April 11.

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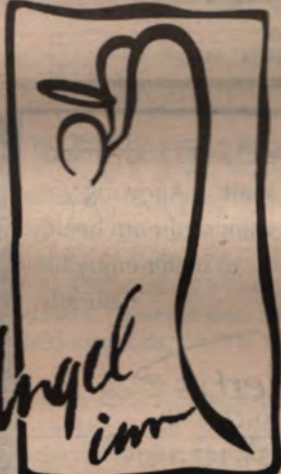
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## Burning still a danger despite recent rain

Several portions of the state have received badly needed rain which has helped reduce the short term fire danger and has allowed firefighters perform other needed duties. However, Fire Behavior Analysts assigned to assist in response to the dangerous fire situation warn that many areas did not receive any precipitation, resulting in continued extreme conditions.

Since May 1, 7,721 wildfires have burned more than 308,014 acres statewide.

Active fires as of 4 p.m. Aug. 5 were:

\*Red River County, Cuthand, 40 acres

\*Anderson County, 437, 60 acres

Other fires of less than 10 acres were in Anderson, Harrison, and Red River counties.

State officials continue to monitor the potential for serious fire outbreak. Additional firefighting resources from

across the nation continue to arrive to better respond to this dangerous situation.

On July 4, a rapidly spreading fire ignited by a welder working on a truck in McLennan County threatened an acre-sized pile of tires and other properties. State and Federal fire units staged near by for such emergencies responded quickly and controlled

the fire. According to the Texas Forest Service, the property saved by this quick action was estimated to be \$7.4 million.

On Aug. 6, a unique helicopter--a Helitanker-- was on display for public viewing. The Sky Crane has been specially designed to be self loading. It can carry and discharge up to 2,600 gallons of water over fires.

## Unity Church celebrates

Unity Church of Temple celebrated Aug. 2 in a congregational service led by Board President Ed Bounds.

Ms. Diana Latham, certified Unity Teacher and participating psychologist, presented the morning's program. Based on that day's lesson from the Daily Word: "God is working through me in marvelous ways to bless others." Ms. Latham dedicated her talk to her listeners. It was entitled "Vacation Church School for Everyone, Even Grown-ups." Using

affirmations and audience-participation she demonstrated the effects of the vibrations of the human voice. She lead her audience in exercises to awaken the imagination and creativity to reach the basic four levels of human consciousness: The sensory level, Psychological level, symbolic/mythic and religious integral level. "Potlatch for the Soul" was done to demonstrate the benefits of letting-go or passing on an object that had once been important in your life.

## Nursery completed at First Lutheran Church in Temple

First Lutheran Church in Temple is proud to announce the completion of its new nursery. The nursery has been decorated and organized around the theme of "Noah's Ark" and is staffed on Sunday mornings 9 a.m.-noon for parents attending Sunday School (9:15 a.m.) or Worship (10:30 a.m.).

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# Museum

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the first portion of the three-phase project.

Phase I consists of stabilizing the north wall and reconstructing the downstairs floor.

Phase II consists of renovation and restoration of the second floor.

Phase III consists of replastering, painting, touch-up and cleaning.

When restoration is complete, the museum's board will focus on getting the exhibits back in place. "So fund-raising will continue," Ambrose said, stressing that funds are still needed to refurbish the inside.

The exhibits were packed and stored after the museum closed.

Ambrose, board president since January 1996, said the board is "strictly volunteer," but added, "It's also a working board."

The museum first opened around 1960 after the original museum board was formed in 1959.

Prior to the museum being established, the building served as a telephone office, Ambrose said.

When the restoration project is finished, Ambrose said, "We'll have a big opening and a celebration."



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Coffee and fellowship will be at 9:30 a.m. Marge Kirkman, president, will greet the members at 10 a.m. followed by an introduction of guests and new members.

A short business meeting will follow. Included on the agenda will be more details about Christmas in October - proceeds from the Auxiliary Quilt Raffle to be announced - and a surprise new life member to be introduced.

Continuing the program theme "Salado's Legacy," a representative of the Monday Club and the Christmas Stroll will give a short talk at program time.

Weeta Sue Evans, a member of the Monday Club since its founding, will speak. She is the daughter of Sadie Lou Holland of Salado and attended school in this area. She was a teacher at Belton High School for 18 years. In 1968 and 1978 she was listed in "The Outstanding Young Women of America."

Becky McAuly has been co-chairman and chairman of the Christmas Stroll in 1988, 89, 96, and 97. In 1983, she and her husband moved to Salado where they developed 10 acres along Highland Drive in Mill Creek. She now is in business at The Store in Old Town Salado.



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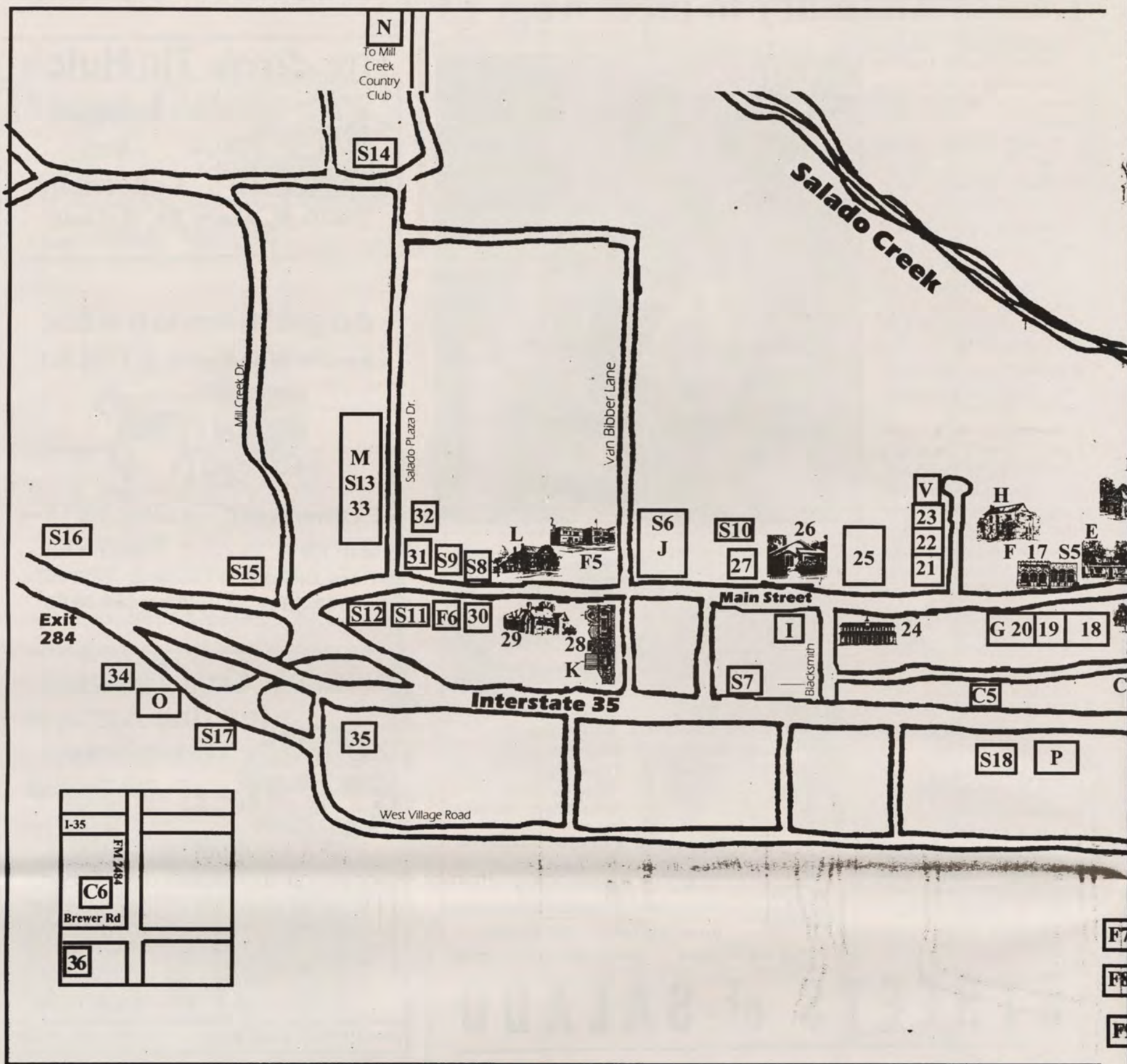


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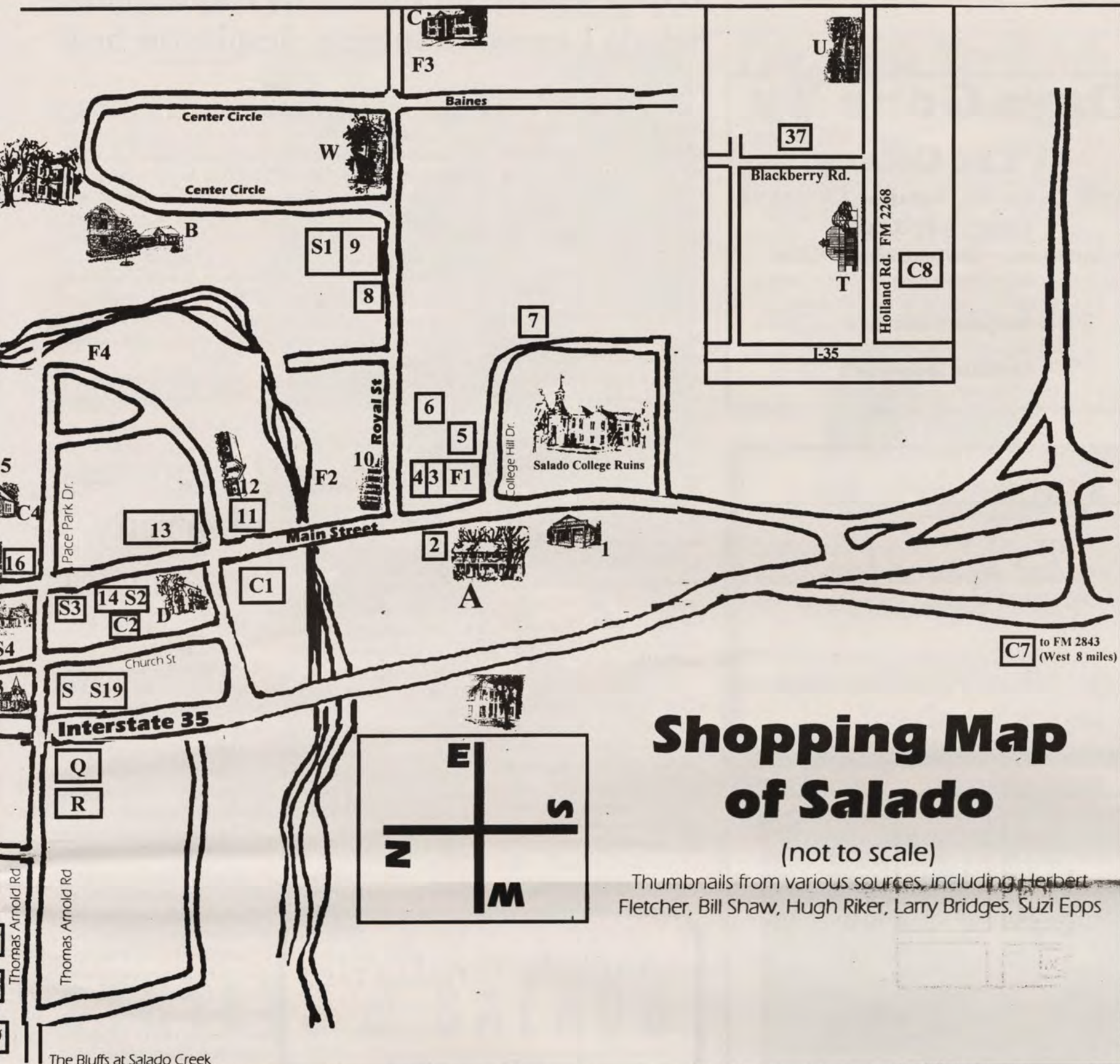
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| 1. Wells Gallery               | Next to Stagecoach Inn      | 254/947-0311      |
| 2. Salado Pottery              | Next to Stagecoach Inn      | 254/947-5935      |
| 3. Salado Galleries            | Main Street                 | 254/947-5110      |
| 4. <b>SHADY VILLA</b>          | Main St and Royal           |                   |
| Gregory's                      | Shady Villa on Main St.     | 254/947-5703      |
| Salado Country Antiques        | Shady Villa on Main St.     | 254/947-8363      |
| Sweet Nut Things               | Shady Villa on Main St.     | 254/947-8088      |
| 5. Peddlers Alley              | behind Shady Villa & Museum | 254/947-9722      |
| 6. The Dusty Rose              | Royal Street                | 254/947-9215      |
| 7. The Chicken Ranch           | 505 College Hill            | 254/947-3455      |
| 8. Ing's                       | Royal St.                   | 254/947-4336      |
| 9. <b>ROYAL STREET COMMONS</b> | Royal St. & Center Circle   |                   |
| Red Barn Antique Mall          | Royal St. Commons           | 254/947-1050      |
| 10. <b>ONE ROYAL</b>           | Royal St. at Main           |                   |
| Grace Jones                    | One Royal                   | 254/947-5555      |
| The Royal Emporium             | Main & Royal                | 254/947-5718      |
| 11. <b>OLD MILL PLAZA</b>      | Main St. at the Creek       |                   |
| Salado Haus at the Gazebo      | Old Mill Plaza              | 254/947-1868      |
| Accents of Salado              | Old Mill Plaza              | 254/947-5908      |
| Polar Bear Snow Balls          | Old Mill Plaza              | Open 1 p.m. Daily |
| 12. The Christmas Shop         | Green House on the Creek    | 254/947-5561      |
| 13. <b>CREEKSIDE CENTER</b>    | Main St. at Pace Park       |                   |
| Susan Marie's Boutique         | Creekside Center            | 254/947-5239      |
| Strawberry Patch               | Creekside Center            | 254/947-9955      |
| Bundle of Joy                  | Creekside Center            | 254/947-0609      |
| Prellop Fine Art Gallery       | Creekside Center            | 254/947-3930      |
| 16. Christy's of Salado        | 300 Main St.                | 254/947-0561      |
| 17. <b>SALADO SQUARE</b>       | Main St.                    |                   |
| Magnolia's on the Square       | Salado Square on Main St.   | 254/947-0323      |
| Just for Him                   | Magnolia's on the Square    |                   |
| Papagayo                       | Magnolia's on the Square    |                   |
| Margrit's Shoe Chateau         | Magnolia's on the Square    |                   |
| CIO (a unique ladies boutique) | Salado Square               | 254/947-0322      |
| Main Street Place              | Salado Square               | 254/947-9908      |
| Barnhill-Britt Furniture       | Salado Square               | 254/947-3277      |

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| 18. Village Potter               | N. Main St.                         | 254/947-0281 |
| 20. Rose Cottage Gift Shop       | N. Main St.                         | 254/947-9110 |
| 22. Horsefeathers                | #2 Rock Creek                       | 254/947-3203 |
| Angel Inn                        | #2 Rock Creek                       | 254/947-0240 |
| 23. Angie's Amish Attic          | 20 Rock Creek Drive                 | 254/947-3537 |
| 24. Heirlooms Shopping Center    | N. Main & Blacksmith                | 254/947-0336 |
| 25. <b>THE COLONY</b>            | N. Main St.                         |              |
| Windberg Gallery                 | The Colony on N. Main St.           | 254/947-3300 |
| Days Gone By                     | The Colony on N. Main St.           | 254/947-1119 |
| 27. Book Winkel                  | N. Main St.                         | 254/947-3866 |
| 28. <b>OLD TOWN SALADO</b>       | Across from Salado Civic Center St. |              |
| The Store                        | Old Town Salado                     | 254/947-9000 |
| The Gallery                      | Old Town Salado                     | 254/947-9000 |
| MI's Country Corner              | Old Town Salado                     | 254/947-8885 |
| Aunt Granny's                    | Old Town Salado                     | 254/947-5520 |
| Angelic Herbs                    | Old Town Salado                     | 254/947-1909 |
| Texan by Design                  | Old Town Salado                     | 254/947-4479 |
| 29. Bayberry's on Main           | 400 N. Main St.                     | 254/947-3625 |
| 30. Salado Antique Mall          | N. Main St.                         | 254/947-1010 |
| The Little Tin Hutch             | N. Main St.                         | 254/947-5537 |
| 31. Fletcher's Books & Antiques  | N. Main St.                         | 254/947-5414 |
| 33. <b>SALADO PLAZA</b>          | 213 Mill Creek Dr.                  |              |
| Brookshire Brothers #69          | Salado Plaza                        | 254/947-8922 |
| Streets of Salado                | Suite #135                          | 254/947-1313 |
| Harold's Pianos                  | Suite #190                          | 254/947-4677 |
| 34. Robertson's Hams             |                                     |              |
| & The Choppin' Block             | I-35, Exit 285                      | 254/947-5562 |
| 37. Hill Country Cottage Gardens | 152 Blackberry Road                 | 254/947-0416 |

### Dining & Lodging

- |                                   |                     |              |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| A. Stagecoach Inn                 | I-35 exits 283, 284 | 254/947-5111 |
| B. Inn on the Creek               | Center Circle       | 254/947-5554 |
| C. The Rose Mansion               | One Rose Way        | 254/947-8200 |
| E. The Inn at Salado              | Main St.            | 254/947-0027 |
| F. Browning's Courtyard Cafe      | Salado Square       | 254/947-8666 |
| G. Pink Rose Tea Room & Gift Shop | N. Main St.         | 254/947-9110 |





# Shopping Map of Salado

(not to scale)

Thumbnails from various sources, including Herbert Fletcher, Bill Shaw, Hugh Riker, Larry Bridges, Suzi Epps

H.	The Range at the Barton House	101 N. Main St.	254/947-3828
I.	Pietro's Italian Restaurant	Main St. & Blacksmith	254/947-0559
J.	The Gathering Place	Salado Civic Square	254/947-4749
K.	Cathy's Boardwalk Cafe	Old Town Salado	254/947-8162
L.	Halley House Bed & Breakfast	N. Main St.	254/947-1000
M.	Samm's Family Restaurant	Salado Plaza	254/947-0015
N.	Creekside Restaurant & Club	Old Mill Rd.	254/947-5141
P.	Salado Super 8 Motel	290 N. Robertson Rd.	254/947-5000
Q.	Salado Dairy Queen	I-35 & Thomas Arnold	254/947-5406
S.	Salado Burger King	15 Stagecoach Rd.	254/947-8060
T.	Brambley Hedge B&B	1 mile east on FM 2268	254/947-1914
U.	Country Place B&B	2.7 miles east on FM 2268	254/947-9683
V.	The Old Granary B&B	#3 Rock Creek Dr.	254/947-9683
W.	The Baines House B&B	Royal St.	254/947-9683

S13.	<b>SALADO PLAZA</b>	213 Mill Creek Dr.	
	Markie McTravel	Suite #110	254/947-1168
	Salado Village Voice	Suite #125	254/947-5321
	Village Pharmacy	Suite #155	254/947-3185
	Deanna's Creations Flowers	Suite #160	254/947-0222
	BoTangles	Suite #165	254/947-4747
	Salado Medical Clinic	Suite #180	254/947-9044
S15.	Blass Floral	1209 N. Stagecoach Rd.	254/947-5529
S16.	Auto Excellence	I-35 east access road	254/947-5042
S19.	Salado Exxon	15 Stagecoach Road	254/947-5660
D.	Good Time Carriage Rides	Pick-up at Salado Mansion	254/771-2839

## Services in Salado

S1.	Royal Street Commons	Royal St. at Center Circle	
	Doug Spiller Photography	Royal St. Commons	254/947-8585
S2.	First Texas Brokerage	In The Veranda on Main	254/947-5577
S3.	First State Bank, Salado	Main & Thomas Arnold	254/947-5852
S4.	Family Dentistry	Main & Thomas Arnold	254/947-5242
	Douglas B. Willingham, D.D.S.		
S5.	Linda Pritchard Massage Therapist	Salado Square	254/947-HAND
S6.	<b>Salado Civic Square</b>	Main St. & Van Bibber	
	Properties by Larry Sands	Main St.	254/947-5580
	Farmers Insurance (John Hall)	Salado Civic Square	254/947-3151
	Stillwell Construction	Salado Civic Square	800/947-1222
	Innkeeping with the Times	Salado Civic Square	254/947-9683
			800/439-3828
S7.	Salado Floors and Walls	I-35 east access road	254/947-0048
S8.	Corley, Hicks & Lee	N. Main St.	254/947-3536
S9.	Margaret's Beauty Spa	N. Main St.	254/947-9360
S10.	Elza Porcel Edwards	405 N. Main St.	254/947-1176
S11.	Century 21 Bill Bartlett	600 Main St.	254/947-5050
S12.	Compass Bank	N. Main St.	254/947-5051

## Churches & Civic Organizations

C1.	First Baptist Church	Main St. at Pace Park	254/947-5465
C2.	Salado Masonic Lodge #296	Church St.	
C3.	United Methodist Church	Thomas Arnold Rd.	254/947-5482
C4.	Presbyterian Church of Salado	Allen Meeting Hall	254/947-9935
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
C8.	St. Stephen Catholic Church	Holland Rd. (FM 2268)	254/947-8037

## Public Facilities & Schools

F1.	Central Texas Area Museum	Main St.	254/947-5232
F2.	Sirena	Springs on Salado Creek	
F3.	Goodnight Amphitheater	Royal St.	254/947-9205
F4.	W.A. Pace Memorial Park	Pace Park Dr.	254/947-5040
F5.	<b>Salado Civic Center</b>	North Main St	254/947-8300
	Chamber of Commerce	Salado Civic Center	254/947-5040
	Public Library	Salado Civic Center	254/947-9191
	Salado Historical Society	Salado Civic Center	
	Salado Village Artists	Salado Art Center at the Civic Center	
	Salado ISD Administration	Salado Civic Center (upstairs)	254/947-5479
F6.	U.S. Post Office	Main St.	254/947-5322
F7.	Thomas Arnold Elementary	Thomas Arnold Rd.	254/947-5191
F8.	Future Salado Middle School	Thomas Arnold Rd.	
F9.	Salado High School	Thomas Arnold Rd.	254/947-5429

## Writer thanks all those who helped make Salado Legends a success, despite the heat

Dear Editor:

During the Civil War, when Andrew McIver wrote a letter to the McDougal family thanking the citizens of Central Texas for sending food and clothing to the boys on the front lines, he said, "Whoever the friendly donors be, to the men thereof a genuine handshake hand kisses to the ladies." That line in the outdoor musical drama *Salado Legends*, was taken from a 134 year old letter from a member of my family who served in the Confederate Army. The years and the circumstances have changed the reasons for the thank you, but the words still ring true. Tablerock Festival of Salado, Inc. sends handshakes to the men and handkisses to the ladies of the cast, crew, sponsors, organizations, individuals and attendees for their support in helping to make *Salado Legends* a success in its 6th annual performance.

Our cast and crew consisted of 184 members, helpers and sponsors this season. The family-oriented production had 25 families ranging from two to nine members and from one to three generations. This year, Jennifer Davis, of Temple, felt she could not take a big part in the play because she and her husband Tim were expecting a

baby in late July. Tim and their children Luke and Hannah accepted speaking roles and Jennifer accepted a non-speaking townspeople role. On July 22 we welcomed new baby Hope Elise Davis to *Salado Legends*- our first cast member who can say she was born to the stage!

In keeping with our *Salado Legends* family tradition we encourage our young people to pursue a higher education. This year Shirley and Mike Cornett donated \$1,000 for scholarships to *Salado Legends* college students. It is Tablerock's goal to accept scholarships for our *Legends* students each year.

In mid-July, Scott Parker, the Director of the Institute of Outdoor Drama at the University of North Carolina, called to inform us that attendance at every outdoor drama in Texas was suffering because of the heat. It made us realize that *Salado Legends* was not the only outdoor drama that had fallen behind in ticket sales. After a hot, slow start on July 18 with only 250 people in attendance, the momentum increased and the attendance rose to 295 on July 25. The little Salado play that "thought it could" pushed uphill to an Aug. 1 attendance that was just short of a record breaker with

494 in attendance.

The economic impact of the 1039 people who attended the three performances of *Salado Legends* is remarkable. The ticket sales combined with tourist sales at area motels, hotels, bed and breakfasts, shops, filling stations and restaurants is estimated to be \$296,115. Thank you one and all for your continued help and confidence in *Salado Legends*.

Sincerely,  
Jackie Mills, President  
Tablerock Festival of Salado

## Democrats plan rally on Aug. 24

Democrats from Bell and adjoining counties are once again planning a major rally to be held in the Bell County Exposition Center in Belton 6 p.m. Aug. 24.

Democrats expect to generate publicity and interest for the November election by giving Democrats throughout Central Texas an opportunity to visit with and hear from a number of our candidates for statewide office. They expect an excellent turnout of statewide and local candidates.

Admission to this event will be free. Food and refreshments may be purchased. There will be entertaining music and a good opportunity to shake hands and meet with the candidates as well as to hear brief speeches from most of them. This is truly an old-fashioned political rally. It will be an event for the entire family. Bring your children and let them shake hands with the Democratic Candidates.

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## Bell County Sheriff's Department Reports for Salado and Surrounding Area July 1998

Date Reported	Offense	Location
07/01	Burglary of Habitation	Royal Street
07/01	Theft	Rocking H
07/02	Theft	College Hill
07/02	Attempted Burglary of Building	Royal Street
07/02	Burglary of Building	Royal Street
07/02	Burglary of Building	Royal Street
07/05	Theft of Gas	IH-35 North, exit 282
07/05	Burglary of Habitation	Crows Ranch Road
07/06	Criminal Mischief	Betty Place
07/07	Juvenile Problem	Whispering Oaks
07/07	Criminal Trespass Warning	Stagecoach Drive
07/07	Burglary of Habitation	Thomas Arnold
07/09	Theft by Check	Royal Street
07/09	Theft of Service	Old Mill Road
07/11	Suspicious Fire	Patterson Crossing
07/13	Harassment by Communication	FM2268
07/14	Harassment by Communication	Chisholm Trail
07/15	Theft	Robertson Road
07/15	Juvenile Problem	FM2484
07/16	Criminal Trespass Warning	Natasha Street
07/17	Theft	IH-35, Exit 285
07/17	Juvenile Problem	Settlements Road
07/17	Found Property	Main Street
07/18	Theft of Gas	IH-35, exit 282
07/19	Harassment by Communication	IH-35 South
07/19	Theft	IH-35, exit 285
07/20	Theft	North Main Street
07/20	Theft	Robertson Road
07/21	Theft	South Ridge
07/21	Harassment by Communication	Robertson Road
07/22	Harassment	Robertson Road
07/23	Attempted Burglary of Building	Royal Street
07/23	Burglary of Building	Royal Street
07/23	Attempted Burglary of Building	Royal Street
07/24	Theft	Robertson Road
07/24	Attempted Suicide	Shine Top Road
07/25	Theft of Gas	IH-35, exit 282
07/26	Theft of Gas	IH-35, exit 282
07/28	Natural Death	Chisholm Trail
07/30	Burglary of Building	Royal Street
07/30	Credit Card Abuse	Mill Creek Drive
07/31	Harassment by Communication	Chisholm Trail
07/31	Theft	Main Street

### School superintendent welcomes in new school year

Dear Citizens of Salado,

Welcome to the 1998-99 school year! Here are some things that are happening:

**Student enrollment:** Our average daily attendance for 1997-98 was 920; we are projecting a 10 percent increase for 98-99. We ask all parents to help us achieve a 98 percent attendance rate.

**Staffing:** Seventeen new staff have been hired, including a special education teacher (grades 7-12), maintenance/transportation, aides, a teacher to serve gifted and talented students (K-12) and a cafeteria manager. Substitute teachers are required to attend a special training in August.

**Board meetings:** These have been moved to the third Monday of each month at 7 p.m. to better accommodate our community. An executive session is conducted at 6 p.m. with possible action taken during open session. Recognition of students and community volunteers begins each meeting.

**Finances:** The board and I have carefully studied local

revenues, including local tax rate. A recommendation for the 1998-99 school budget and tax rate will be made in August.

**Site-based:** The District site-based committee is meeting to prepare the District improvement plan. Campus site-based committees will convene in September. These teams will include parent, business and community involvement.

**Strategic planning:** A 5-year plan will be developed this fall. Any community member may participate.

**Volunteerism:** You can become a mentor, tutor, or donate items to the school through the Adopt-a-School program. Campus needs lists are available. Superintendent coffees will be held three times a year, a time for you to ask questions and get a free cup of coffee.

**Collaborative programming:** Local churches, Salado Public Library, Institute for the Humanities, and local banks have planned several programs this year including open libraries in the summer and evening. Dr. Alexander is to speak to

students and parents on the danger of drug abuse in October and Dr. Cantu is to speak on multiculturalism in February.

**Curriculum:** Curriculum and subsequent staff development are being aligned to meet the new state standards. We have installed software and cables this summer to increase our capacity to gain access to local, state, national and international information. The curriculum will focus on improving TAAS writing skills and infusing technology into the curriculum.

**Special Programs:** We offer a wide variety of athletic programs. Excellent band, fine arts and vocational programs are available, many of which provide dual college credit.

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# Salado Public Library board makes three major appointments

The Board of Trustees of the Salado Public Library District wishes to announce three major appointments:

1. Patty Campbell will continue as Director of the Salado Public Library. A native of Austin, she received her library certificate from the University of North. She was a librarian in the Dallas and Richardson public schools for more than 25 years. After moving to Salado, she served as the librarian for

the Salado Independent School District for a year. And for the last three years she has been the Director of SPL. Patty has been very active in community affairs in Salado.

2. Dr. Robert McConnell will serve as our lay representative to the Central Texas Library System (CTLS). A retired physician, he is the founder of the Salado Public Library and has twice served as President of its Board. He is former President of the Salado Chamber of Commerce and, like Patty, has been very active in community affairs.

3. Mary Lou Williams will be the alternate lay representative to CTLS. She is a long-time library volunteer, has directed the organization's volunteer program, and has been a member of the Library's Board of Directors. She, too, is very active in civic affairs.

The Central Texas Library

System is one of 10 regional library systems in this state, created by the Texas Legislature in 1972. CTLS provides Salado (and 61 other public libraries in this region) consultation with experts in a variety of areas--including automation, management of book collections, children's services and grant applications. CTLS arranges interlibrary loans from the region's resource library, the Austin Public Library. CTLS is supported by the legislature and grant monies from a variety of sources. It gives its members libraries money each year to be used to purchase books. CTLS provided the Salado Library with its first computer and has also loaned office equipment. The lay representatives from Salado and the other libraries in this region act as liaisons between the System and the Boards of its component public libraries.

## Democratic women will meet Aug. 15

The Bell County Texas Democratic Women will hold their monthly meeting at Democratic Headquarters, 111 N. East Street in Belton on Aug. 15. Social time and refreshments begin at 9:30 a.m. The meeting will follow at 10 a.m.

Guest speaker for the meeting will be the Honorable Jerry Scarbrough of Killeen. He is seeking election to the Texas Supreme Court, Place 4.

All Democrats and interested persons are invited to attend.

## Central Texas Poetry & Prose Reading in Salado Sept. 10

The fifth annual Central Texas Poetry & Prose Reading will be held at Tablerock Amphitheater's Backstage Meeting Hall in Salado on Sept. 10.

Featured writers will read from original works of poetry and prose beginning at 7 p.m.

Admission to the event is free. Tablerock Festivals will

provide a snack and beverage concession.

From Main Street in Salado, turn east on Royal Street; go 2 blocks; turn right at Tablerock Amphitheater sign; enter backstage area through the west door.

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## Cranfills Gap community's Septemberfest Sept. 12 to include Cow Patty Bingo this year



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Every year the Cranfills Gap Community gears up for its annual Septemberfest. This year marks their 21st anniversary. The event is designed to be a day of fun and entertainment for the entire family. This year they are adding Cow Patty Bingo.

The Ft. Hood Band and Color Guard will lead off the parade beginning at 10:30 a.m.

and will play a concert for your enjoyment immediately following the parade.

There will be a 5-K run (254/597-0578); Arts and Crafts Booths (254/597-2363); entertainment (254/597-2588); Children's activities and a BIG Street Dance--featuring "Crossfire" 8 p.m.-midnight, \$5 per person, all ages.

They welcome all entries to

their parade--floats, bands, antique vehicles, etc. You need not let them know you are coming but it would help (254/597-0226). Parade begins at 10:30 a.m., line up is at 9:30 a.m. For more information call (254/597-2268).

They look forward to seeing you at the Gap, Sept. 12.

The town is located 50 miles northwest of Waco on Hwy 22.

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# Milano Livestock Auction

The following are the results from the Aug. 4 Milano Livestock Auction:

Receipts: 1,455  
Last Week: 1,091  
Last Year: 1,242

Compared to last week: Feeder Steers steady to 2.00 lower. Feeder Heifers steady. Slaughter Cows and Slaughter Bulls 2.00-3.00 lower. Trade active and demand good on all classes. Bulk of supply Medium and Large 1-2 300-600 lb feeder steers and heifers. Supply included around 21 percent cows and bulls, 12 percent feeder cattle over 600 lbs with balance mostly feeder cattle under 600 lbs.

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1: 300-400 lbs 78.00-90.00; 400-500 lbs 72.00-77.00; 500-600 lbs 64.00-71.00; few 600-705 lbs 64.00-66.00.

Medium and Large 1-2: 300-400 lbs 69.00-78.00; 400-500 lbs 65.00-73.00; 500-600 lbs 60.00-65.00; 600-700 lbs 56.00-62.00; few 700-800 lbs 56.00-57.00.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1: 300-400 lbs 68.00-79.00, individual at 82.00; 400-500 lbs 64.00-71.00; 500-600 lbs 62.00-67.00; 600-700 lbs 60.50-63.00; 700-800 lbs

59.00-62.00.  
Medium and Large 1-2: 300-400 lbs 61.00-68.00; 400-500 lbs 59.00-64.00; 500-600 lbs 57.00-62.50; 600-700 lbs 53.00-59.00; 700-800 lbs 53.00-56.00.

Slaughter Cows: Percent Lean: Breakers, 75-80 percent 1250-1550 lbs 29.00-32.50; Boners, 80-85 percent 1000-1475 lbs 30.00-33.50; Boners High Yielding, 80-85 percent 1050-1320 lbs 33.50-35.50; Boners Low Dressing, 80-85 percent 990-1375 lbs 28.00-31.50; Lean, 85-90 percent 1000-1250 lbs 29.00-33.00, 850-1000 lbs 27.00-31.00, under 850 lbs 22.50-28.00.

Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1-2: 1400-1930 lbs 41.00-44.50; Low Dressing, 1330-1635 lbs 34.50-38.50.

Replacement Cows: Medium and Large 1-2: 3-6 year old 885-1075 lb cows 3-6 months bred 37.00-45.50 per cwt.

Cow/Calf Pairs: Medium and Large 1-2: 3-6 year old 775-1175 lb cows w/100-250 lb calves 460.00-535.00 per pair.

Source: USDA-Texas Dept of Ag Market News, Amarillo, TX (806) 372-6361.



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- \$114,500:** Texas-style native stone home. Lovely 3BR/2BA.
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- \$135,000.** Walk to Mill Creek pro shop. Under construction.
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- \$190,000:** 3BR/2BA, 21.5 acre ranch. Trees, fencing, sheds & pens.
- \$195,000:** 3BR/2BA, 2 living areas. Overlooking #5 green. Trees.
- \$198,000:** New 3BR/2BA with living room that views golf course.
- \$199,500:** Duplex on 10 acres near Belton on Auction Barn Rd.
- \$229,500:** Royal Oaks beauty with hot tub and deck.
- \$252,000:** Lovely home, breathtaking view, excellent neighborhood.
- \$260,000:** 11.321 acres, 4BR/2BA, office, hilltop view. Barn & stalls.
- \$267,000:** View of Stillhouse. 3BR/3-1/2BA on 6.11 acres. Pool.
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- 22.468 acres, 2 outbuildings, water, septic. \$78,000.
- 20.9 acres on I-35, 3 miles S of Salado,
- 17.5 acres on Amity School Rd. between Salado and Belton.
- 5.24 acres on Salado Creek.
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**\$166,900.** Close to Mill Creek Pro Shop & pool. Two decks.



**\$135,000:** Quiet cul-de-sac one block from Golf Course. Jacuzzi.

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## Home of the Week

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**\$239,900:** Beautiful acreage with rock home on hillside. Horse arena, covered stalls and tank. One-of-a-kind for the horse lover looking for the easy lifestyle. Outstanding view, excellent value, professionally landscaped.

**\$279,900:** 83 acres on Smith Dairy Rd. Brick 3/2/2 home on 20 acres of trees. Formal living & den w/ fireplace. Split MBR.  
**\$239,000:** CR 229. 18 acres with large two-story 4+ BR/2BA. Completely horse-ready. Beautiful with native hardwoods, fruit trees, garden area. Florence schools.

**\$210,000:** Beautiful 2-story on golf course. Newly wallpapered, carpeted and updated. Walking distance to pro shop.

**\$142,500:** New Construction! Austin Stone, beautiful live oaks trees. 3BR/2BA/2-car garage, on large lot, open floor plan, Large Trees. Construction completed!

**\$140,000:** Spacious Tudor-style home in North Temple. Split-level, 4BR/2BA/2 car garage on large lot, 3 living areas, split level.

**\$99,900:** Peaceful country setting 15 minutes from Temple or Killeen area. 3-2-2, all brick on one plus acres. Formal living and den with hot tub.

**\$89,900:** Gorgeous 3/2/2 Austin **UNDER CONTRACT** wonderfully priced.

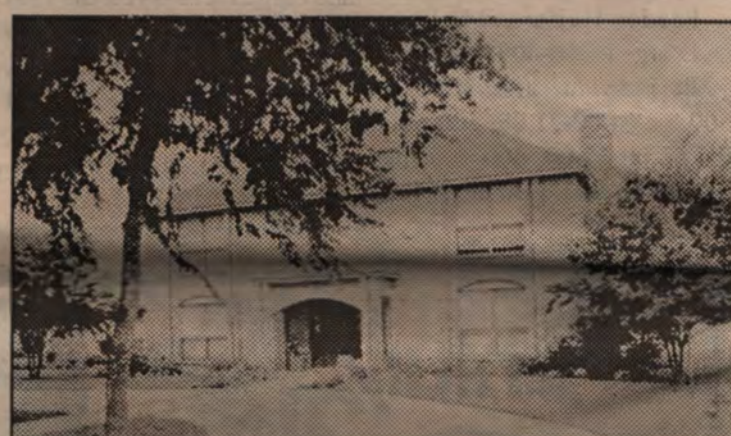
**\$87,900:** 2/3 on lovely wooded 1.64 acres in Live Oak Estates. Enjoy the country setting from the screened-in porch. Could be returned to 3 bedroom.

**\$83,000:** Corner lot in North Temple. Large 3/2/2. Large formal living and dining with large den and fireplace. All brick.

**\$69,900:** Price Reduced. LOW utility bills due to insulation on 3-2-2 on quiet cul-de-sac. Privacy fence and some handicapped features. TEMPLE.

**\$49,000:** Close to UMHB. 2BR/1 BA, large lot with shed. CUTE!

**\$30,000:** GATESVILLE. 2/1 frame house, zoned commercial.



**\$185,000:** LIKE NEW! A Must See!! This large home backs up to the #8 fairway on Leon Valley. 4BR/2BA/2 car garage with beautiful pool with deck and hot tub.

## ACREAGE

**Hwy 317:** 26 acres of woods. Could divide, owner finance. \$129,900

**The Bluffs of Salado Creek:** View of Salado Creek canyons. Owner finance.

**Belton:** 20 acres fronting Nolan Creek. Large live oak trees. \$119,000.

**FM 2843:** 20-75 acres with trees, deer. Home sites. Starts at \$3,500 per acre.

**Smith Dairy/Tahuaya Rd.** 9 acres, Beautiful live oak trees. \$60,000.

**FM 2482: 11! SOLD**  
Salado Oaks: 2 wooded lots, great building site. \$15,000 plus up.

**W UNDER CONTRACT**  
Amity Road: 2-12.5 acres tracts at \$3,395/acre. Salado water and fenced.

**River Place:** 1.9 acres with river frontage. \$25,000.

**Mill Creek:** Tree covered lot. \$25,000.

**Salado Springs:** 2 tracts, facing FM 2404, \$15,000.

**UNDER CONTRACT**  
Salado Springs: 3 acres with many trees, \$20,000. 2 acres, \$17,500.

**Stinnet Mill Rd.** 44.67 acres at \$3,395/acre. Property has two 150 foot wells.

**Live Oak Estates:** 1.79 acres with beautiful trees. \$22,500.

**IH-35 & Rose Lane:** 38 acres with frontage. Many trees and creek. \$250,000.

**FM 2115:** 10 acres at \$3,500/acre. Owner Finance.

**Sand and Gravel Rd.:** 2 one acre lots, \$15,000 each.

**Shady Lane:** Belton, lots with sewerage and water. \$7,995.

**Poison Oak:** 13 acres with septic and water. \$80,000.

**Cedar Valley Road:** 27+ acres @ \$2,795/acre. Scattered trees, cross fenced, excellent homesite.

**FM2115:** 23 acres, \$2,500/acre, some on hillside, great views. Owner Finance.

**Buckholtz:** 280+ acres, starting at \$900/acre.

**Killeen:** Large lot overlooking Corp. land at Stillhouse Lake. Restricted at \$11,000.

**Florence/Andice Area:** Call Jan for information: 254/793-2597

**Woods of Salado at Florence:** 10 wooded acres with view.

**City lots, sewer & water.** For your duplex or home.

**1-1/2 acres and up.** Trees or cleared, with or without improvements.

**COMMERCIAL PROPERTY**  
Mill Creek Golf and Country Club Guest House: Six units in the Mill Creek Golf Course rental pool. \$250,000.

**Main St. in Belton.** 6 lots that include 3 houses, \$210,000.

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

**For Lease:** 1+ acre across from Winn Dixie in Harker Heights. Will build to suit.

**Commercial Office Rentals** starting at \$250 per month. IH-35 frontage in Salado.

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Natural Beauty.**

**What more could you want?**

## Salado Oaks

1/2-acre & larger restricted wooded lots  
1/2 mile east of Interstate 35 on FM 2268  
10% Down • 10% Interest



Salado Oaks offers the natural beauty of country living with the convenience of being in-town. Just a half-mile from the interstate, easy access to everywhere.