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## 1998

### The year in review

The following events in 1998 were deemed worthy of mention in our year-end wrapup.

#### January

Salado native Joe Pirtle was hired as the interim superintendent for Salado ISD. He was employed by Belton ISD for 43 years when he officially retired in July 1997. He had served as Belton ISD superintendent for 22 years at the time of his retirement.

Salado authors A.C. Greene, Elizabeth Silverthorne and Dr. Raymond Carver read from their most recent work during the first day of the Second Annual University of Mary Hardin-Baylor Literary Festival Jan. 8-10.

As moderator Jane Haywood said, "We have a veritable gold mine of talent in Salado."

Noted storyteller Tumbleweed Smith spiced up the Salado Chamber of Commerce 33rd Annual Banquet Jan. 24 with taped recordings of interesting characters you'd have to hear to believe.

If laughter is indeed the best medicine, then the approximately 175 in attendance at Creekside Restaurant in Mill Creek got a full dose.

Before introducing 1998 chamber president Bea Stewart, outgoing president Tim Fleischer said, "This year has been a lesson for me in what we can do, as a common goal, working together instead of working separately. I appreciate your faith in me."

#### February

Salado will remain in District 26-2A, following the biennial realignment by the University Interscholastic League Feb. 2.

Schools with an enrollment of between 160 and 344 in grades 9-12 were included in Class 2A.

Salado submitted an enrollment of 289.

For the third straight year, Salado eighth-grader Robyn Womac has placed first at both the local and district levels in the 1997 Lions Club 10th Annual Peace Poster Contest.

Salado student-athlete John Woolard signed a letter of intent Feb. 5 to play football at Angelo State University. The 6-foot-3, 260-pound lineman was a three-year letterman for the Eagles.

Salado High junior Raina Curry won two Grand Champion banners at the Bell County Youth Fair and Livestock Show. To everyone's recollection, this is the first time a participant has won two Grand Champion awards in separate livestock divisions. She won in lambs and market swine.

Dr. Robert McConnell presented a petition of 139 signatures to the Bell County Commissioners' Court during its meeting Feb. 23 asking the court to call a special election May to establish a Salado Library District.

#### March

Temple lawyer Jon Burrows defeated former Harker Heights Mayor Stewart Meyer in the Republican primary for Bell County Judge. Burrows received 3,763 votes, or 57 percent of the vote; Meyer received 2,784 votes. Burrows outpolled Meyer 141-81 among Salado voters in Precinct 203.

The Texas Department of Transportation will be lowering the speed limit on FM 2484 based

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It's not every day you have a governor visit. Gov. George W. Bush stumped for Republican candidates at the Solana Ranch south of Salado during the fall election season. Republicans swept state offices and Rep. Suzanna Hupp was re-elected to her second full term. (photo courtesy Daniel Raney, Solana Ranch)



Salado Creek showed her power this fall, sweeping a car from the low water bridge entering Mill Creek. No one was injured. Summer months brought heat and drought while the fall brought heavy rains and flooding in Texas. (photo by Tim Fleischer)



Salado voters overwhelmingly approved formation of the Salado Public Library District in May. (photo by John Eubanks)



# Some new resolutions!

I am weak.  
Weak, weak, weak.

In opposition to Winston Churchill's admonition to "Never, never, never give in," I find myself always giving in.

Which means that New Year's is always a time of turmoil for me.

Inevitably, I resolve to live a healthier life in the year to come.

No more red meat. Just bread and water.

No more sweets. Just fruits and vegetables.

No more Fat Ernie's. Just tofu and yogurt.

For the uninitiated, a Fat Ernie is the best breakfast taco made. A Fat Ernie is a 10-inch flour tortilla stuffed full of refried beans, fried potatoes, eggs, sausage, bacon and cheese, with a complement of their homemade salsa. It is best to "carry out" a Fat Ernie. Trust me on this. Ernie's Fried Chicken (the purveyors of Fat Ernie's) is not known for its ambiance. But it is famous with contractors and working stiffs for its breakfast taco. I have found in all my worldly travels that the best breakfast stops have dirty pickup trucks with magnetic signs advertising "Paul's Concrete" or "David's Dirt" parked in the front. A good, hearty breakfast is important to a man who works outside all day and they know the best.

I digress.

This year, there will be no New Year's Resolutions from Tim Fleischer.

No promises to lose 25 -- okay, 45 -- pounds in the coming year.

No promises to walk five miles a day, uphill both ways.

No promises to use the several hundred dollar exercise machine that haunts my ga-

## Digressions

by Tim Fleischer

rage. One Christmas, I pulled out the credit card to put this ultimate gymnasium machine under the Christmas tree. It stayed in the box until April, when my father-in-law came down to help me put it together in our garage because it was too big for the house. I lost a place to park my truck, but gained a great place on which to put trashbags of too-small clothes to give away when all hope of squeezing back into them has passed. Goodwill has more clothes of mine than I do, but that is another story.

I have given up drinking, tobacco, cussing (okay, not really) and running around with women who aren't my wife. I am happier for all of that and my life is better for it.

But I will no longer torture myself with the dream of being thin again.

I resolve in 1999 to eat ribeye steaks medium rare covered with mushrooms sauteed in real butter.

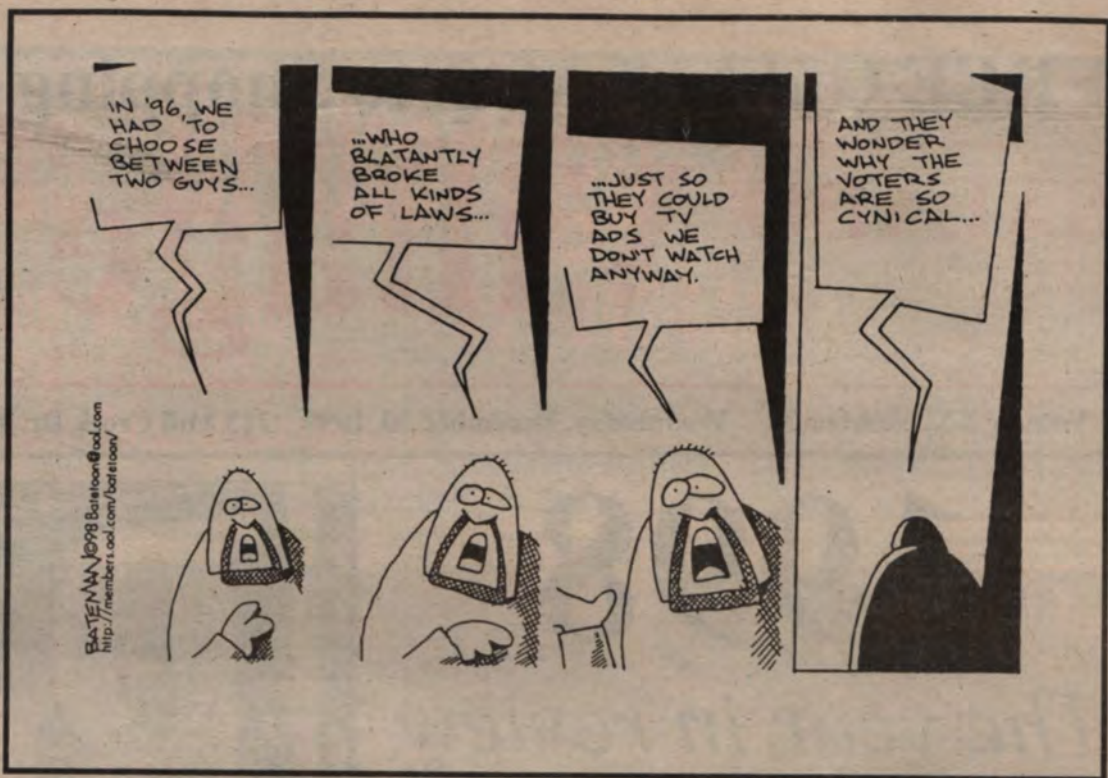
I resolve that the only walking I will do in 1999 will be to my truck to drive somewhere else.

I resolve to eat enough Fat Ernie's that employees and customers greet me by name when I come to the door, like Norm on Cheers.

I resolve to gain 45 pounds in 1999.

I resolve to kick that stupid exercise machine and to switch the channel whenever an infomercial tries to sell me exercise equipment.

If I have the luck with these resolutions as I have with resolutions of past year, I should be a model for Calvin Klein in 1999.



# Writer examines past predictions, makes new one for coming year

**"The first day of what should start the year 2000, we will go back to January 1, 1900. It won't be Y2K and what we think will be a computer related problem. It really will be January 1, 1900! This is the Lord's way of telling us that we are going to keep repeating this terrible century until we get it right!"**

Mark Russell on PBS  
December 16, 1998

Tomorrow night we will celebrate New Year's Eve and hopefully, before or after all the revelry, will take a moment to consider that the following day will begin the last year of a century that has been marked by a confusing array of diametrically divergent events, not to mention the deep confusion resulting from so many social and family changes, in so short a time.

From the horrors of waging multiple wars throughout most of the century to such great and noble accomplishments as the landing of man on the face of the moon, this has been 100 years of extremes.

We have extended the lives of our own people through medical research and caring while watching placidly as the lives of millions of helpless people worldwide, are snuffed out through starvation, neglect, criminal malfeasance of dictators as well as religiously concocted genocide.

In economics we have evolved from the horse and buggy, the outhouse, kerosene lamps and a short life span to all the luxurious wonders available today topped off with a growing, healthy and aging citizenry complete with more centenarians than ever before in our history - and what do we continue to want? More, of course!

We have amassed more in-

## Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



formation on more subjects than any previous period of time in human history - yet more of our people lack average skills in basic reading, computing and communicating than ever before - despite the trillions spent on education at all levels.

One hundred years of contrasting events has left us a bit breathless and somewhat sad, since we have not learned much from our mistakes - thus forcing us to repeat the events that have from time to time dragged us down. War being the most significant example of the periodic tearing apart of the very fabric of our nation while spending our treasure for death machines as entire generations of young men and women are systematically decimated.

Having said all this, we turn to the only thing that keeps us sane amid a world that appears bent on destruction. We seek hope and that is the operative word - "hope". Hope that the next century will see us taking a higher road, not filled with hatred at all levels of life nor the complete denigration of others who do not share our system of beliefs. Perhaps to even enjoy a period of family renaissance where this basic unit can be rebuilt - from today's weakened position to strength and hope for all our tomorrows.

Within the family unit the young evolve and are either prepared to learn about life and God; right and wrong; the blessings of discipline and self control; cooperation with others; understanding and participating in government; doing more than just necessary on the job and expanding one's mind

while leading others - or failing in these splendid adventures - spend, "lives of quiet desperation" as Thoreau sadly noted in 1854. Or worse - years at the mercy of the welfare or criminal justice systems.

So, with editorial prerogatives and no small amount of license, we hope for better things for everyone in the coming year - provided each of us is willing to take a few steps in the other fellow's shoes before casting the first stone or saying the first hurtful thing that comes to mind.

Perhaps spending a moment on one's knees in prayer might get things off on the right path as we enter 1999 and prepare ourselves for the next century, 365 days hence.

## PREDICTION RESOLUTION

In years past, this column has waxed semi-eloquently about stirring up a witches brew of Newt eyes, bat wings, chicken bones and other disgusting items needed to produce some heavy divination along the lines of a vaticinational type oracle, all of which translated into understandable English, hopefully means stumbling over a few correct and printable events that we believe will take place during the coming year.

During the decade of writing this column, we have amassed a record of being half correct in our political ramblings. Half wrong is the other side of that coin. This same result could be achieved by a coin flip so rather than spend time pondering what may or may not happen in 1999 - we shall opt for a short expedition into the unknown by way of a single prediction.

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# Calendar of Events

**Jan. 7:** Jr. High Basketball against Academy 5 p.m.  
**Jan. 8:** Boys Basketball 4 p.m. against Lago Vista, Salado Gym--Girls begin at 5 p.m.  
**Jan. 12:** Boys Basketball at Florence, 4 p.m.--Girls begin at 5 p.m.  
**Jan. 14:** Jr. High Basketball 5 p.m. against Holland, Salado Gym  
**Jan. 15:** Boys Basketball at Cedar Park 5 p.m.  
 Girls Basketball against Cedar Park, 5 p.m., Salado Gym  
**Jan. 16:** Jr. High Basketball, Rogers Tournament TBA  
 Boys/Girls Basketball, Holland Tournament TBA  
**Jan. 18:** Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday NO SCHOOL  
**Jan. 19:** SPAT meeting 6:30 elementary cafeteria  
 Boys Basketball against

Troy, Salado Gym, 4 p.m.  
 Girls Basketball at Troy 5 p.m.  
**Jan. 21:** Jr. High Basketball at Lago Vista, 5 p.m.  
**Jan. 22:** Boys Basketball at Holland 5 p.m.  
 Girls Basketball against Holland, Salado Gym, 5 p.m.  
**Jan. 23:** Henry the VIII by Harry Sweet, Tablerock Dessert Series, 7:30 p.m. Goodnight Amphitheater  
 Jr. High Basketball, Holland Tournament 5 p.m.  
**Jan. 26:** Boys Basketball at Academy 4 p.m.--Girls begin at 5 p.m.  
**Jan. 28:** Salado Water Corp. Meeting 7:30 p.m. Salado Civic Center  
 Jr. High Basketball against Florence, Salado Gym, 5 p.m.  
**Jan. 29:** Boys/Girls Basketball against Johnson City, Salado Gym, 5 p.m.  
 \* **Yoga Classes** meet every Tues. at the Salado Methodist

Fellowship Hall at 6:45 p.m.  
 \* **Salado Business Association** meets every first Thurs. at 8:45 at the Civic Center  
 \* **Salado Ladies Auxiliary** meets every second Thurs. at 10 a.m. at the Civic Center  
 \* **The Water Board** meets every third Thurs. at 4 p.m. at the Water Company  
 \* **Lions Club** meets every second and fourth Wed. at 11:30 a.m. at Creekside Restaurant  
 \* **Salado Chamber of Commerce** meets every second Mon. at 6 p.m. at the Civic Center  
 \* **Salado Library District Board** meets every third Mon. at 5 p.m. at the Salado Public Library

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# Record

FROM Page 2A

## WE PREDICT

We predict that the trauma of 1998 will subside at both the emotional and intellectual levels of our lives and that 1999 will be a year of reflection as the millennium approaches. We may have to wait until the Clinton trial is over and believe it or not - this too shall pass.

Certainly the daily hustle of life will push and pull us, but just beneath the surface it is hoped we will turn to introspection more and more often as we near the upcoming historical milestone in humankind's march of time, as well as our own place in the scheme of things.

If enough people were to turn down the volume in their lives and reconsider the truly important matters surrounding them, the net result might be a less strident and certainly more happy life, unburdened by the unnecessary baggage filled with bitterness, hatred

and disaffection that we sometimes feel compelled to carry. This we hopefully predict will take place in our lives during 1999!

## RESOLUTIONS

A political writer or commentator needs to stay as fresh as possible in order to keep readers on the alert - since we can't have any slowdown in letters to the editor. Therefore, in 1999 this column will try to tweak the conservatives only when necessary. Laugh at the liberals when they get too far out of line. And try to keep a sense of humor despite the nonsense of the few who attack for the sole reason of exposing their mean streaks and lack of manners.

## DNGers FINAL SHOT IN 1998

Couldn't let the old year escape without a final word from the Salado Chapter of the International Order of Do-No-

Gooders (you recall they are the guys who meet with alarming regularity at the Stagecoach Coffee Shop).

Seems the DNGers were going over the upcoming impeachment trial of President Clinton. They somehow uncovered one of the more difficult problems associated with having 100 Senators sitting as a jury. "Forcing even one Senator, much less all hundred of them, to sit still and keep their mouths shut for hours on end, as they listen to (but cannot question) the evidence surrounding the Clinton case is truly cruel and unusual punishment!" noted one DNG sage!

Truest words yet from this group of curmudgeons who will soon be electing officers for the past year. That's right - they elect their leaders rearward each year so they don't have to worry about leadership or protocol at their gatherings.

Happy New Year and -30- for '98.

We applaud all those who participated in the beautiful 1998 Christmas Home Tour.

The great success is due to the warm generosity of the special people in Salado.

Thank you for all of your efforts.

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If you're a parent of a child going away to college, you're probably busy shopping for clothes, school supplies and helping pack your child's belongings. You're also likely to be bracing yourself for when that first tuition bill arrives.

Hopefully, you began preparing for this day some time ago by designing an investment portfolio to meet this major financial obligation. And now it's time to begin tapping your portfolio for the mountain of tuition bills, textbook and living expenses you'll encounter over the next four years. The questions you may be asking yourself now is, "Have I saved enough?"

You most likely had to begin investing when your child was still in grade school, or even earlier, to have enough money to pay the high cost of a college education today. The average cost to attend a public college for the 1997-98 school year was \$10,069 and more than two times that amount, \$21,424, to attend a private school for one year, according to the College Board's publication **The College Cost Book 1998**. The figures include the cost of tuition, fees, books, room and board and other expenses.

To make sure your college nest egg is big enough to handle all the financial demands to come, consider taking these steps now:

- Plan for inflation. Inflation doesn't go away now that your son or daughter has started college. You need to make sure your investment portfolio has the ability to grow at a rate that compensates for escalating tuition bills and other expenses over the next four years. The College Board estimates annual college costs to increase an average of five percent a year. That means your investments will have to offer a return of at least five percent to just keep pace with each year's rising expenses.
- You may want to consider investing a little more aggressively to enhance your potential returns on your portfolio. That may mean investing a portion of your portfolio in stocks expected to appreciate in value over time rather than investing largely in more conservative securities, such as bonds, which produce income to meet your current expenses but may not offer inflation-beating returns. Of course, it's wise to keep a portion of your portfolio in fixed-income investments such as bonds that provide a steady flow of income to meet expenses as they arise.
- Keep contributing. Just because your child has started college, that doesn't mean you should stop investing. One of the best ways to remain a disciplined investor is to have a specified amount automatically deposited into your investment account each month.
- Be tax-wise. When it's time to pay that tuition bill, avoid cashing in stocks that you've owned for less than one year. Current tax laws require that gains from investments held less than one year be taxed at a higher rate than assets held for longer than one year.

Congratulate yourself if you've had the foresight to begin investing early for your child's college education. Just remember to keep monitoring your portfolio all the way to graduation.

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# Year in Review

FROM Page 1A

on a new traffic study requested by State Rep. Suzanna Gratia Hupp. Based on the new traffic study completed in November 1997, the following changes will be made.

For the section from FM 3481 (Cedar Knob Road) east to I-35 near Salado, the speed limit will be changed from 70 mph to 65 mph. For the section from FM 3481 west to State Highway 195, the portions currently zoned at 65 mph will be changed to 60 mph.

## April

Salado and Holland captured the District Middle School UIL Academic Championship. Salado scored 29 points in the sixth-grade division, won the seventh-grade division by scoring 152 1/3 points, and won the eighth-grade division with 162 1/3 points.

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 at Southwest Texas State University. The second-place school had 96 points.

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



(photo by John Eubanks)  
Dr. Robin Wuebker-Battershell (left) greets Shirley Cox shortly after being named as the new Salado I.S.D. Superintendent.

## May

Voters elected Carse Williams and Frank Carlson to serve three-year terms on the Salado ISD Board of Trustees May 2.

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# 1998 events

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Turnout was heavy for a local election as 723 voters cast ballots, 22.4 percent of the 3,206 registered voters in Salado ISD.

An enthusiastic crowd of well over 200 Saladoans were royally entertained by the Iron Horse Orchestra, a contingent of the famed Fourth Infantry Division Band at Fort Hood, playing the Big Band Sound on the grounds of the Salado Civic Center in fine weather under the giant oak trees.

It was an evening that the Civic Center Foundation, which sponsored the event had hoped and planned for since the first of the year.

Voters overwhelmingly approved the formation of the Salado Public Library District with 433 voting for the proposition and 242 voting against.

Over 21 percent of the 3,206 registered voters in Salado ISD cast ballots in the election.

The Salado ISD Board of Trustees held a reception May 6 for new superintendent Dr. Robin Battershell, who began her duties in April. During a school board meeting May 19, Mike Wiley was named board president.

School trustees, administrators and bond advisory committee chairs broke ground on the middle school construction project May 27, the last day of school for Salado ISD.

More than 60 Salado High seniors graduated during commencement ceremonies May 28 at the Bell County Expo Center.

## June

The Salado Post Office recently announced its intention to move from its present location on Main Street in order to expand with the growth of the community.

Salado Postmaster Jim Lee told the *Salado Village Voice* that the move may come in as few as seven months. The Salado Post Office completes its 10-year lease this year. Plans to move were tabled later in the year.

Rev. Bruce Baker will preach his final sermon at the Salado United Methodist Church. He retired from the active itineracy after 48 years of service in the Central Texas Annual Conference.

He has served in Salado the past five years. Skip Blancett took over on July 1.

Jeffrey Burton Russell's public lecture June 8 on The History of Heaven was the first Harry A. Wilmer III Memorial Lectureship, founded by Harry and Jane Wilmer after their son's death seven months ago.

The lecture is sponsored by the Institute for the Humanities, of which Harry III was a founding member and served as financial counsel until his death.

A public hearing was held June 11 on a proposal by the Salado Volunteer Fire Department to enter into a lease-purchase agreement to finance a tanker and two brush trucks.

Attending were Chief Wayne Rutherford, four firefighters and one reporter. No other citizens were present.

The Salado ISD Board of Trustees awarded over \$1 million in contracts for the intermediate school construction project during a special meeting June 16. The board awarded the contract for site work to Lone Star Grading and Material of Salado, for a total of \$446,753.

The Salado Water Corp. manager Ricky Preston is asking customers to voluntarily ration the amount of outdoor watering during this current dry spell.

SWSC pumped an average of 1.4 million gallons of water to its customers each day. The maximum amount SWSC can distribute to its customers is 1.6 million gallons per day, due to the size and capacity of water lines.

## July

The Salado ISD Board of Trustees awarded remaining contracts for construction of the middle school. With the approval of almost 30 bids June 30, the construction project appears to have estimated expenses of \$5.6 million, not including food service equipment.

## August

About 6,000 paid to attend the 32nd Annual Salado Art Fair Aug. 1-2 at Pace Park, despite the record-breaking heat wave and daily warnings from the weather folks to stay inside.

Gate receipts are about 500 tickets off of last year's take at the gates, Art Fair chairman Marilyn Fleischer said, adding, "Considering the excessive long-term heat this summer, I consider the Fair a success in many ways."

The accompanying Artists Reception at Jack's Barn was also deemed a success.

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# 1998 events

FROM Page 4A

Turnout was heavy for a local election as 723 voters cast ballots, 22.4 percent of the 3,206 registered voters in Salado ISD.

An enthusiastic crowd of well over 200 Saladoans were royally entertained by the Iron Horse Orchestra, a contingent of the famed Fourth Infantry Division Band at Fort Hood, playing the Big Band Sound on the grounds of the Salado Civic Center in fine weather under the giant oak trees.

It was an evening that the Civic Center Foundation, which sponsored the event had hoped and planned for since the first of the year.

Voters overwhelmingly approved the formation of the Salado Public Library District with 433 voting for the proposition and 242 voting against.

Over 21 percent of the 3,206 registered voters in Salado ISD cast ballots in the election.

The Salado ISD Board of Trustees held a reception May 6 for new superintendent Dr. Robin Battershell, who began her duties in April. During a school board meeting May 19, Mike Wiley was named board president.

School trustees, administrators and bond advisory committee chairs broke ground on the middle school construction project May 27, the last day of school for Salado ISD.

More than 60 Salado High seniors graduated during commencement ceremonies May 28 at the Bell County Expo Center.

## June

The Salado Post Office recently announced its intention to move from its present location on Main Street in order to expand with the growth of the community.

Salado Postmaster Jim Lee told the *Salado Village Voice* that the move may come in as few as seven months. The Salado Post Office completes its 10-year lease this year. Plans to move were tabled later in the year.

Rev. Bruce Baker will preach his final sermon at the Salado United Methodist Church. He retired from the active itineracy after 48 years of service in the Central Texas Annual Conference.

He has served in Salado the past five years. Skip Blancett took over on July 1.

Jeffrey Burton Russell's public lecture June 8 on The History of Heaven was the first Harry A. Wilmer III Memorial Lectureship, founded by Harry and Jane Wilmer after their son's death seven months ago.

The lecture is sponsored by the Institute for the Humanities, of which Harry III was a founding member and served as financial counsel until his death.

A public hearing was held June 11 on a proposal by the Salado Volunteer Fire Department to enter into a lease-purchase agreement to finance a tanker and two brush trucks.

Attending were Chief Wayne Rutherford, four firefighters and one reporter. No other citizens were present.

The Salado ISD Board of Trustees awarded over \$1 million in contracts for the intermediate school construction project during a special meeting June 16. The board awarded the contract for site work to Lone Star Grading and Material of Salado, for a total of \$446,753.

The Salado Water Corp. manager Ricky Preston is asking customers to voluntarily ration the amount of outdoor watering during this current dry spell.

SWSC pumped an average of 1.4 million gallons of water to its customers each day. The maximum amount SWSC can distribute to its customers is 1.6 million gallons per day, due to the size and capacity of water lines.

## July

The Salado ISD Board of Trustees awarded remaining contracts for construction of the middle school. With the approval of almost 30 bids June 30, the construction project appears to have estimated expenses of \$5.6 million, not including food service equipment.

## August

About 6,000 paid to attend the 32nd Annual Salado Art Fair Aug. 1-2 at Pace Park, despite the record-breaking heat wave and daily warnings from the weather folks to stay inside.

Gate receipts are about 500 tickets off of last year's take at the gates, Art Fair chairman Marilyn Fleischer said, adding, "Considering the excessive long-term heat this summer, I consider the Fair a success in many ways."

The accompanying Artists Reception at Jack's Barn was also deemed a success.

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## Dec. 31 service at Cedar Valley Baptist Church

Cedar Valley Baptist Church invites you to send the old year out and the new year in with worship during Watch Night Service to begin at 7 p.m. Dec. 31.

The Gibbs Family from Fort Worth, the Beulah Land Singers from Temple, Glory Mountain Boys from Round Rock and the Cedar Valley Singers will sing during the Watch Night Services. Other groups have been invited to sing, as well.

A covered dish supper will be served about 10 p.m. "If you wish to bring a dish, feel free to do so," said Pastor J.F. Franks.

Cedar Valley Baptist Church is located eight miles west of Salado on FM 2843.

## Living Room Theatre's second production set

The second production of the Living Room Theatre of Salado for the 1998-99 season is *The Journey To Summers Mill*, based on *The Uncharted Journey of Macy Moore Dickenson* Claudia Holland, Linda Pipes, and Mildred Beaman, adapted by Raymond Carver. Central Texas history and theatre buffs will particularly enjoy the performances of Lilla Barnes and Bill Jones, playing the roles of one of the descendants of the man for whom the town of Holland was named and the man who prompts her to tell unique life stories about a pioneering family, three generations ago.

Performances will be held at 7 p.m. in the following homes on dates indicated: Jan. 11,

Sunny Wilson, 4320 Sunflower Ln, Temple; Jan. 12, Bob & Jennie Shull, 4507 Lost Creek, Temple, Jan. 13 no performance; and on Jan. 14, Mary Jean & Paul Boston, Route 2, Belton; and Jan. 15, Anita & Joe Holt, 800 Chisholm Tr., #6, Salado.

When calling 947-0334 to place your reservations, leave your name on the recorded answering machine, and remember that cancellations may impose a hardship on your host, so please write yourself a reminder for the date you choose. You will be called to reconfirm only in the unlikely event the performance date is canceled or overbooked. Please do not call hosts or LRTS board members for reservations.

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## American flag thief among us, Salado letter writer says

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## Temple Civic Theatre to present 'The Trip to Bountiful' in January

Temple Civic Theatre, 2413 South 13th St., will present **The Trip to Bountiful** in January.

Evening performances are set for 7:30 p.m. Jan. 22, 23 and 28-30. A matinee will be performed 2 p.m. Jan. 24.

Reserved seating costs \$10 per seat, but is free with current Temple Civic Theatre season membership.

Tickets can be purchased by mail or from the theatre box office on weekdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tickets go on sale Jan. 11.

The poignant drama set in Texas tells the story of Mrs. Watts, an aging widow living with her son and daughter-in-law. Mrs. Watts feels unwelcome in that house and aches for a return to her home in the town of Bountiful. Geraldine

Page won an Academy Award for the portrayal of Mrs. Watts in the film based on the play.

Artistic Guest Director is Patti Arnold from Dallas. Set design is by Dana McLaughlin.

The cast of actors includes Jan Larsen, Mrs. Carrie Watts; Dave Verdery, Ludie Watts; Mary Anzalone, Jessie Mae Watts and Tricia Marotz, Thelma.

Other parts will be played by Ray von Rosenberg, John Boles, Jan Toms, Ted Hodge, Cheryl Constance. Some additional actors will play travelers, which will be assigned in January.

Volunteers are needed for set building and scene painting workdays 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Jan. 9 and 16. Volunteers will construct and paint scenes for **A Trip to Bountiful**.



# Recap

FROM Page 5A

Defying Gravity artist Scott Moore of Fort Worth was named the Best of Show Artist.

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

Restoration on the Central Texas Area Museum on Main Street 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.

Jackie Mills, president of Tablerock Festival of Salado, said the economic impact of the 1,039 people who attended the three performances of Salado Legends was remarkable. The ticket sales, combined with tourist sales at area motels, hotels, B&Bs, shops, filling stations and restaurants, is estimated to be \$296,115.

Salado ISD Trustees approved a \$5 million budget for 1998-99 during its Aug. 17 regular meeting. The budget was approved by a vote of 6-1. Frank Carlson voted against the proposal.

Toll-free calling between Salado and Killeen is projected to begin Aug. 21, a Sprint official said Aug. 14. Sprint customers in Salado with the telephone prefix 947 voted last spring to expand toll-free calling to Killeen (and Harker Heights) but turned down toll-free calling to Nolanville, Florence and Little-River.

The Salado Volunteer Fire Department sponsored an auction, barbecue dinner and dance Aug. 30 to raise funds for the local firefighters. The department was recognized as a 1997 First Responders of the Year.



(photo by John Eubanks)

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

## September

A group is being organized in Salado to develop a mentoring program for at-risk students in Salado ISD. The idea for a mentoring program came about from discussions between Salado attorney Helen Zagona and Salado ISD Superintendent Robin Battershell.

While Bell County has lifted the burn ban, Salado Fire Chief Wayne Rutherford reminds you to use common sense when burning outside.

The eight overtimes played by Salado and Moody in Salado's 14-8 road win Sept. 11 is one overtime short of the national high school record.

Salado High senior Melissa Matthews was named 1998 SHS Homecoming Queen during ceremonies before the Salado Eagles game with Cedar Park Sept. 25.

## October

Screenwriter and producer Patrick Duncan discussed the role of myth-makers during his lecture before the Institute for the Humanities Oct. 4 at Creekside Restaurant. It is the first of the current series of the Institute lectures.

Billy Pipes won four of the 10 prizes awarded during the fourth

annual Duck Race which capped the Fourth Annual Family Festival in Pace Park Oct. 3.

Award-winning Central Texas singer/songwriters will perform a variety of music ranging from folk to western classics and extending to contemporary Christian during Tablerock's First Annual Musical Festival Oct. 17.

A College Station couple was rescued from the raging waters of Salado Creek the night of Oct. 17 after their vehicle was washed off the low-water bridge leading to Mill Creek Inn.

No one was injured in the rescue attempt. Before rescuers arrived, Pat Oborski, manager of Creekside Restaurant, braved the raging waters to rescue a person who had gotten out of the car.

As the waters of Salado Creek raged outside, members of the In-See 1998 closes out, Page 8A

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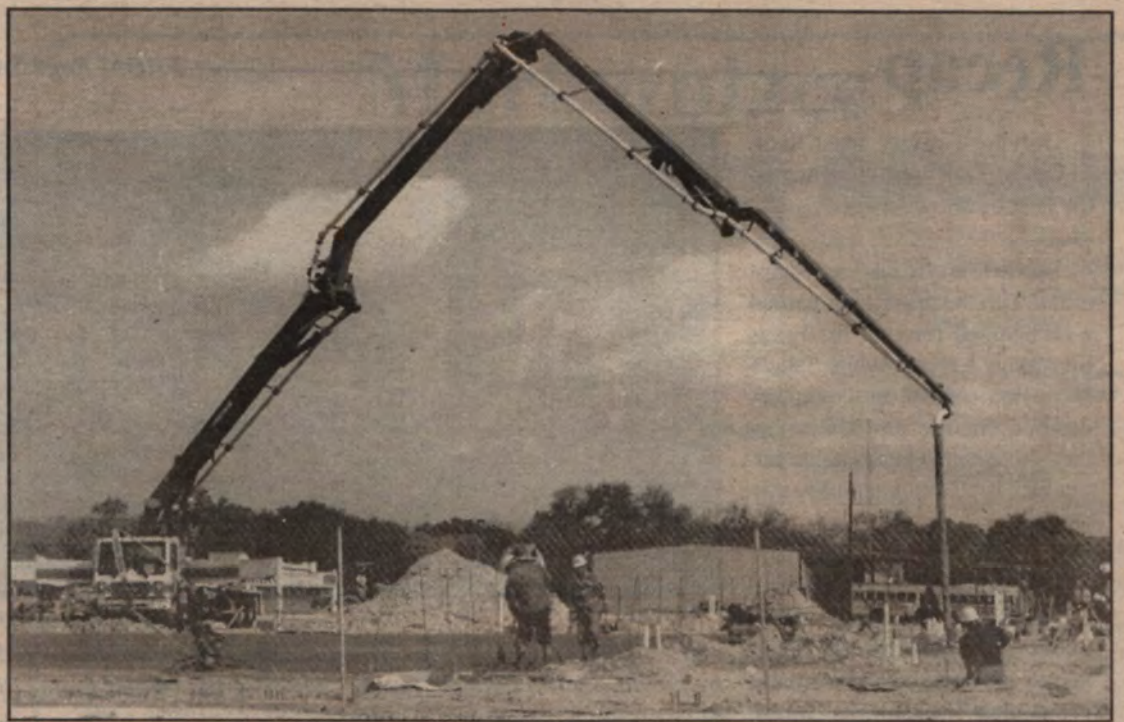
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**1998 closes out** — FROM Page 7A

stitute for the Humanities at Salado explored the waters of inner selves and outer selves with Southwest native Pat Mora during her lecture Oct. 18.

The Salado Chamber of Commerce Auxiliary's annual Christmas in October celebration "was one of the most successful with 865 people attending this one-day event," said Auxiliary president Marge Kirkman.

Ernesto Cortes Jr., one of the nation's most outstanding community organizers, was the third speaker in a series of four weekend programs this fall exploring the theme of "The Humane Imagination," sponsored by the Institute for the Humanities. Jean Bethke Elshain, a nationally recognized political philosopher, was the final speaker Nov. 14-15.

More than 10,000 people braved the rainy weather to attend the 37th Annual Scottish Games and Gathering of the Scottish Clans Nov. 13-15.

The Rev. Marilyn Weddell-Legge was named the new minister for the Presbyterian Church.



Raina Curry is shown above with "Pig" Grand Champion. It was purchased during the auction by the Salado Youth Fair Boosters. Judy Houston, one of the Boosters, is also shown above.

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**December**

The theme of this year's Christmas Stroll in Salado, The Twelve Days of Christmas, is the culmination of many months of work by the Salado Business Association. The Stroll activities begin on Dec. 1 and end the 12th.

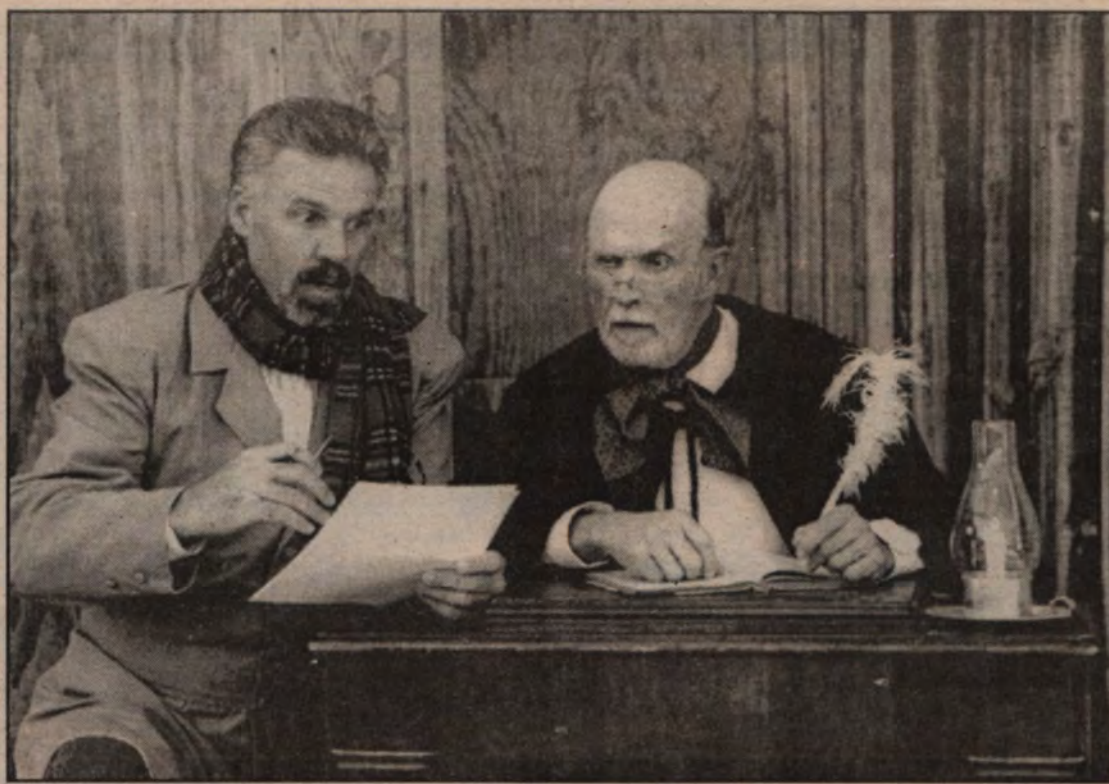
Tablerock Festival of Salado presented Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" Dec. 4-5, 11-12 at Tablerock's Goodnight Amphitheater in Salado.

Comptroller John Sharp issued the first sales tax check to Salado Library District for \$7,903.04 for the 0.5 percent sales tax levy collected in October.

The 1999 Salado Chamber of Commerce board elected Dr. Luther Brewer its new president.

The Salado Family Relief Fund provided Christmas for 28 families, which included over 80 children.





Fred Fuller (left) and Charlie Voelter performed in Tablerock Amphitheater's presentation of *A Christmas Carol* in December. Fuller played the part of Bob Cratchit while Voelter played the irritable Ebenezer Scrooge. It was just one of this year's many performances and concerts at the natural outdoor amphitheater off of Royal Street.

The Salado Rotary Club (right) offered free rides to and from Pace Park during the Salado Art Fair, held in August. Almost 6,000 people attended the Fair, even though temperatures were above 100 degrees. The Art Fair is the largest single fundraiser in Salado, generating almost half of the annual budget of Salado Chamber of Commerce. Other civic and youth groups also have fundraisers during the Art Fair, whether it is the Rotary Club with its golf carts raising money for scholarships, the Salado Lions Club selling barbecue, the Ladies Auxiliary quilt raffle, or the Salado Library used book sale. Other groups sell concessions during the weekend to raise funds for their local causes. The Salado Chamber of Commerce has sponsored the Art Fair for 32 years. The Art Fair will be Aug. 6-7 in 1999.

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## Two gridders from district make all-state

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Two members from Salado's District 26-2A were among those selected to the first or second teams, or who received honorable mention.

Troy punter **Glenn Ketchum** was a first-team selection. The 6-2, 190-pound senior averaged 43.1 yards on 23 punts. His longest punt was 70 yards.

Florence running back **Florencio "Flee" Montemayor** was among 13 running backs who received honorable mention.

Both were named first-team all-district at their respective positions. Montemayor, a junior, was also named second-team kicker.

None of the district's top four players, as selected by the six head coaches, made all-state: District MVP **Matt Sanders**, Troy quarterback; co-offensive MVPs, Troy running back **Greg Creech** and Holland fullback **Clint Arnold**; and defensive MVP, Salado senior linebacker **Taylor Hutton**.

## Verses and versus John Eubanks

Hutton, the district's offensive MVP as a junior, failed to earn even honorable mention All-State last year, despite rushing for 1,717 yards.

Hutton entered this season as 2A's third-best returning rusher, behind of pair of 2,000-yard rushers: **Michael Lusby** of Spearman and **Craig Urbanczyk** of White Deer.

Neither made first-team offense on this year's all-state team, but Lusby tied in the voting for second-team running back, and Urbanczyk was named second-team kicker.

Both received honorable mention as defensive backs, and Lusby received honorable mention as a kicker.

**Jerard Doty** of Rio Vista, the fourth-best returning rusher in 2A with 1,658 yards last year, was a first-team pick this year with 1,928 rushing yards.

Lusby was one of four second-team running backs, along with Rosebud-Lott senior **Steven Marek**. The 6-0, 190-pound senior rushed for 1,868 yards in 11 games during a 6-5 season that ended with a first-round playoff loss to Mart.

Rosebud-Lott coach **Bill Baine** said Marek rushed for more than 4,800 yards in his four-year career, eighth-best all-time among Central Texas rushers, according to the *Waco Tribune-Herald*.

This past season, Hutton rushed for 735 yards in the Eagles' pass-oriented offense, averaging 6.6 yards per carry. On defense, the 5-11, 205-pounder was credited with 164 tackles.

The three first-team all-state linebackers had between 146 and 156 tackles.

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The first-team picks measured 5-11, 180; 5-11, 190; and 6-0 190. The second-team LBs measured 5-10, 170; 5-6, 132; and 5-4, 140.

Among the 21 linebackers who received honorable mention was **Blake Rives** of Thorndale. Last year as a sophomore, he posted 148 tackles for the then-Class A Bulldogs coached by Don Rives. Thorndale beat Salado 18-15 that year.

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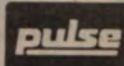
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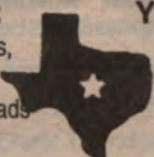
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Salado's John McLaughlin carries the ball against Lorena Oct. 2 during Eagles' 6-5 campaign in 1998. (photo by Marilyn Fleischer)

## A memorable year for Salado sports

by John Eubanks

This past year was certainly a memorable one for Salado sports.

In fact, 1998 might go down as one of the most successful years in Salado High sports.

The girls basketball team achieved the most success, advancing in the playoffs one game shy of the state tournament in Austin.

The Lady Eagles lost to Crawford, 62-49, Feb. 28 in the Region IV title game at St. Edward's University. Coach Larry Salisbury's squad finished the season with an impressive 30-8 record (which apparently ties the school

record for most wins in a season).

Salado had not been to the state tournament since '1962, when the team was eliminated in the first round of what was then a three-game tournament. Girls back then played a three-on-three version of the game, where three girls played defense on one side of the court and three others played offense on the other side.

Salado was a player short against Crawford, as junior Kathy Matthews injured a knee the day before in a 58-38 semi-final win over Comfort.

### Boys basketball

The boys basketballers could only take comfort in the fact

that they finished third in District 26-2A to a pair of teams that lost in the playoffs to eventual state runner-up Academy.

It was Academy that had beaten Salado, 58-38, in bi-district the year before (1997) in the Eagles' first playoff appearance since 1986. Coach Alan Haire's squad was hoping to make a return engagement to the playoffs in '98, but the team started slow and finished with a disappointing 15-17 record.

### Softball

The team posted a 15-10 record, after going 4-10 the previous year in its first season as a University Interscholastic League varsity sport.

Coach Alan Haire's team also went 8-4 in district and tied eventual state semifinalist Jarrell for second.

The Lady Eagles lost to Jarrell 4-3 in a district playoff game to determine the district's second playoff representative. But the future bodes well as all 17 players were underclassmen.

### Baseball

The Eagles finished the season with a sparkling 25-3

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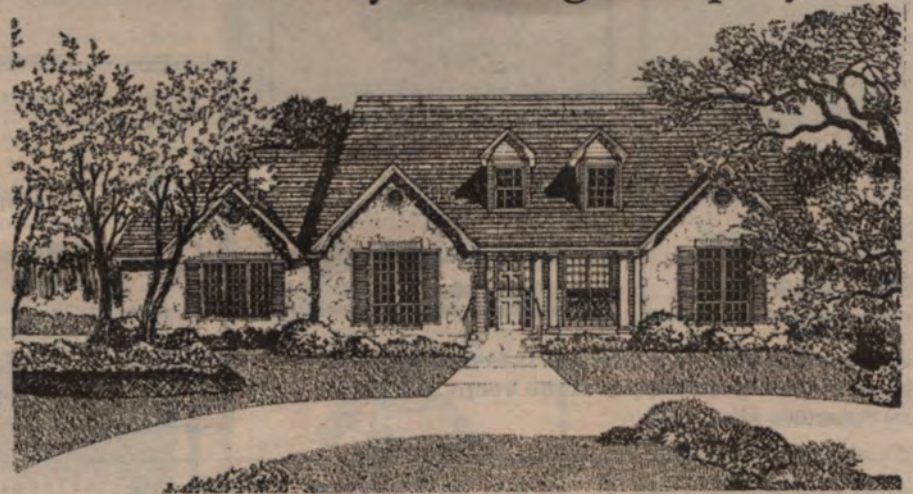
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The team's 25 wins were the most in Melvin Bates' 13 years as head coach. The Eagles ended the regular season ranked ninth in the state's Class 2A ranks.

### Golf

The varsity boys won the district meet as Ryan Morris was first medalist. Coach Joe Mullins' squad then placed third at regionals as second medalist and team MVP Blake Cameron earned a trip to the state meet.

Cameron, a sophomore, finished seventh at state with a score of 151. He was later named second-team All-State

by the Texas Association of Golf Coaches. He missed making first-team by one stroke.

The top six players at the state meet made first-team. The sixth-place finisher posted a 150.

The girls golf team finished second in district, as team MVP Lori Matthews missed the state meet by one stroke at regionals.

### Tennis

The girls and boys teams captured district titles for the second straight year under coach Brett Mullins. Eight of the district's 12 regional qualifiers were from Salado.

The doubles team of Barry Hodge and Ryan Hodge won district and were co-MVPs for the boys.

The doubles team of Lori Matthews and Melissa Matthews also took first in district and were co-MVPs for the girls.

### Track

Both the girls and boys teams surprised most observers by their finish at the district meet.

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Chris Michna hit game-winning homer in memorable game with Hutto. (photo by John Eubanks)



Salado's David Palmer (9) is congratulated after hitting home run in game against Hutto. (photo by John Eubanks)

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## Sports

FROM Page 15A

points at the district meet and was one of four qualifiers to the regional meet.

Girls MVP Tracy Higginbotham qualified for regionals in the 800 and 3,200 races and the 1,600 relay.

### Cross Country

The boys qualified for regionals with a third-place finish at the district meet. The girls

placed fourth, as Tracy Higginbotham qualified for regionals with a fourth-place finish on the two-mile course. (The boys run three miles.)

The top three teams and top 10 individuals qualify for regionals. Danny Quick was in his first year coaching the team. The junior high girls won the district championship, sweep-

ing the first six places and placing all 10 runners in the top 20.

### Volleyball

The girls made history by becoming the first team to win district and advance to the playoffs since the school first fielded a volleyball team in the early 1970s.

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The Lady Eagles (14-12) lost to Elkhart 15-10, 15-10, in the first round of the playoffs Nov. 7 at Bremond. The senior-laden team had won the District 20-2A title with a 6-0 mark, after going 1-5 the year before and 0-6 two years earlier when third-year coach John Black took over the program.

### Football

The Eagles ended the season with a 6-5 mark after losing to Winters, 26-6, in the first round of the playoffs.

Salado's last playoff appearance was in 1996 with a first-round loss to Crawford.

The '98 Eagles, under the direction of second-year coach Joe Mullins, finished third in District 26-2A with a 3-2 mark. This marked the first year for the top three teams in each Class 2A district to qualify for the playoffs.

And, speaking of football, 40 youngsters participated in Salado's first Punt, Pass and Kick competition, Oct. 3, sponsored by Gatorade and the NFL.

**Epilogue:** As 1998 wrapped up, the boys and girls basketball teams took winning records into district play.

But both teams began the season without their top returning players. Senior Katie Punchard will miss the season with a preseason knee injury. Senior Chris Michna could miss the season with a back injury.

## Basketballers resume play

The Salado High basketball teams resumed play following the Christmas break.

The girls played in the Coleman Bluekatt Tournament Dec. 29-30. The Lady Eagles (10-5) resumed District 26-2A play Jan. 2 hosting Academy and at Johnson City Jan. 5.

The boys (9-5) played in the Cameron Tournament Dec. 28-30. They open district play against Academy Jan. 2 and play at Johnson City Jan. 5.



Lady Eagle Katie Punchard battles for the ball against Florence. (photo by John Eubanks)



Melissa Matthews was named 1998 Homecoming Queen and fellow senior Taylor Hutton was named Homecoming King. (photo by Marilyn Fleischer).

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## Temple Civic Theatre open auditions set for Sylvia

Temple Civic Theatre, 2413 South 13th St., will have open auditions 7 p.m. Jan. 31 and Feb. 1 for a comedy entitled *Sylvia*, written by A.R. Gurney. *Sylvia* tells the story of an unusual and funny marriage and is scheduled for performance on March 12-14 and 18-20.

Four actors are needed for the play. *Sylvia*, the title character, is a dog, but will be played by a woman. The role

is open to women of almost any age, but requires agility for jumping, begging, rolling over, etc. *Sylvia*'s owners in the play will be played by a Yuppie-acting couple in the forties. A fourth character will play three roles and may be of any age and gender.

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**\$198,000.** Decks and large covered patios enable the homeowner of this fine home to enjoy the serenity of the wooded back yard & seasonal creek. Quality craftsmanship found in this 3 BR/2 BA, with approximately 2830 SF.

**\$205,000.** Golfers paradise! New home on Mill Creek Golf Course. 3 BR, 2 BA. Formal dining & living room that views golf course. Windows surround large breakfast room. 2 car garage with golf cart garage.

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## Salado Chamber cuts ribbons on new businesses in 1998



The Salado Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors cut the ribbon at Elise and Co., which specializes in custom wedding florals, architectural details for creating a wedding that's uniquely yours. Owner Diane Elise Davis invites you to visit her studio at #17 Salado Plaza Dr., phone 254/947-1068 to discover gifts for the Bride and her party, browse through idea books and talk with wedding consultants about decorations and details. (photo by John Eubanks)



The Colwell family (center) cuts the ribbon at Angie's Amish Attic. Angie Colwell is at middle right, daughter Karin is in the middle and husband Carl is at middle left. (photo by John Eubanks)



Charlotte and Dale Douglas (center) cut the ribbon on their shop, Angel Inn on Rock Creek (photo by John Eubanks)

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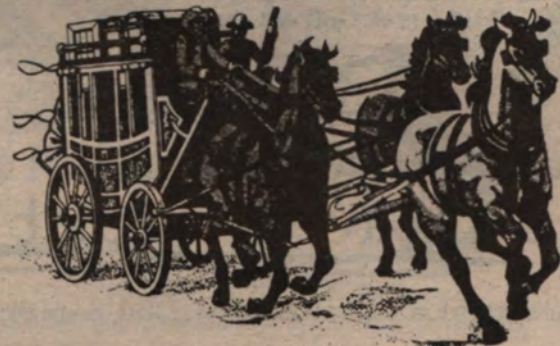


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Gary and Judy Schulz (front left and center) are shown above cutting the ribbon on their new bed and breakfast inn, The Old Granary, located on Rock Creek Dr. Joining the Schulzes in the celebration were members of the Salado Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors Committee and Board of Directors. (photo by Tim Fleischer)







Horsefeathers held its ribbon cutting with Salado Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors last week. The shop, owned by Robert and Diana Woolard, is located at #2 Rock Creek Dr., phone 254/947-3203, boasts an eclectic collection of interior decorating needs and gifts. (photo by Tim Fleischer)



Sara and Richard Oyler, center, flanked by daughter Memori (left) and son Jamie (right) at their business, Fairway Golf Carts, in Salado. (photo by John Eubanks)

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The Salado Chamber of Commerce cut the ribbon Dec. 4 on The Sewing Basket (top photo) with owners Doris Metcalf and Barbara Pipes. The Sewing Basket (middle) is located at 27. 525 N. Robertson Rd., phone number 254/947-5423. Ambassadors also cut the ribbon Dec. 4 on A Company of Muses with owners Ron and Emily Banks. A Company of Muses is located on North Pace Park Dr. Phone number is 254/947-9178. In November, the Chamber greeted Les McCollum and Richard Teeler, owners of Hill Country Cottage Gardens (bottom). McCollum and Teeler celebrated the opening of their new garden room. Hill Country Cottage Gardens is located at 152 Blackberry Road. Phone number is 254/947-0416. Above photos by Marilyn Fleischer.

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**January 23, 1999: Henry the VIII** by Harry Sweet, Tablerock Dessert Series, 7:30 p.m. \$7.50 Tablerock Members, \$7.50; Non-members, \$10.

**February 20, 1999: Captured Rainbow** by Richard Paul Thomas, Tablerock Dessert Series, 7:30 p.m., Members, \$7.50; Non-members, \$10.

**March 20, 1999: A Toast & Roast of a Salado Celebrity** by Fred Fuller, Tablerock Dessert Series, 7:30 p.m., Members, \$7.50; Non-members, \$10.

**March 22, 1999: Fourth Annual Denver Mills Golf Tournament**, benefiting Tablerock, at Mill Creek. \$60 entry fee. Call 254/947-9205.

**April 2-4, 1999: Easter Pageant** at Tablerock Amphitheater, sponsored by First Baptist Church, featuring Jordan Johnson. Concessions open at 7 p.m., pageant at 8 p.m. Free admission.

**April 24, 1999: Fourth Annual Gospel Festival** at

Tablerock Amphitheater. Directed by Tom Taylor, featuring various local groups and artists.

**April 24-25, 1999: Spring Crafts Show** in Pace Park, sponsored by Chamber of Commerce.

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**May 8-9, 1999: Texas 100 Invitational Art Show** in Pace Park, sponsored by Salado Chamber of Commerce. Preview party on May 7. For more information, call 254/947-5040.

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**August 7-8, 1999: 33rd**

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**September 5, 12, 19, & 26, 1999: Salado September Sunday Nights**, sponsored by the First Baptist Church of Salado, Tablerock

**September 9, 1999: Central Texas Poetry/Prose Readings**, 7 p.m. Open Mic, 9 p.m. Alice Wells, hostess, 947-5144. Tablerock.

**October 7, 1999: Third Annual Storytelling Festival** for Bell County's 2nd through 5th grade students. \$1 per student. Tablerock. Call 254/947-9205 or 254/939-5061 for reservations.

**October 9, 1999: Christmas in October** at the Salado Civic Center, sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary.

**October 16, 1999: Tablerock Music Festival**, chaired by Fred Fuller and Richard Paul Thomas, 7:30 p.m. Info: 254/947-4717 or 947-9205.

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**December 3-5, 1999: Salado Historical Society Christmas Tour of Homes.**

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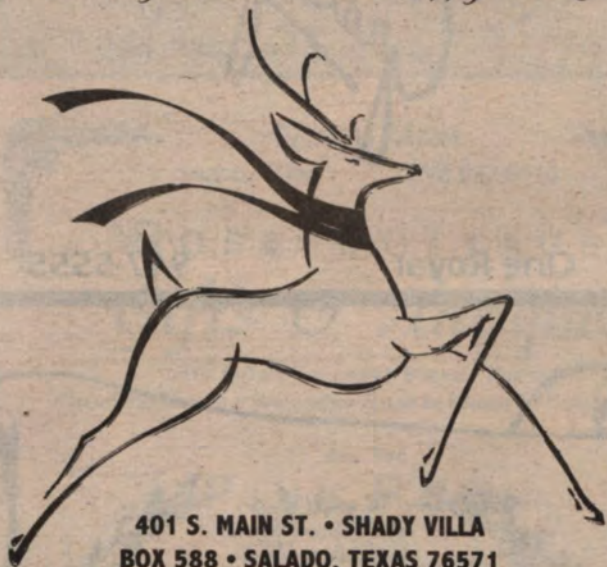
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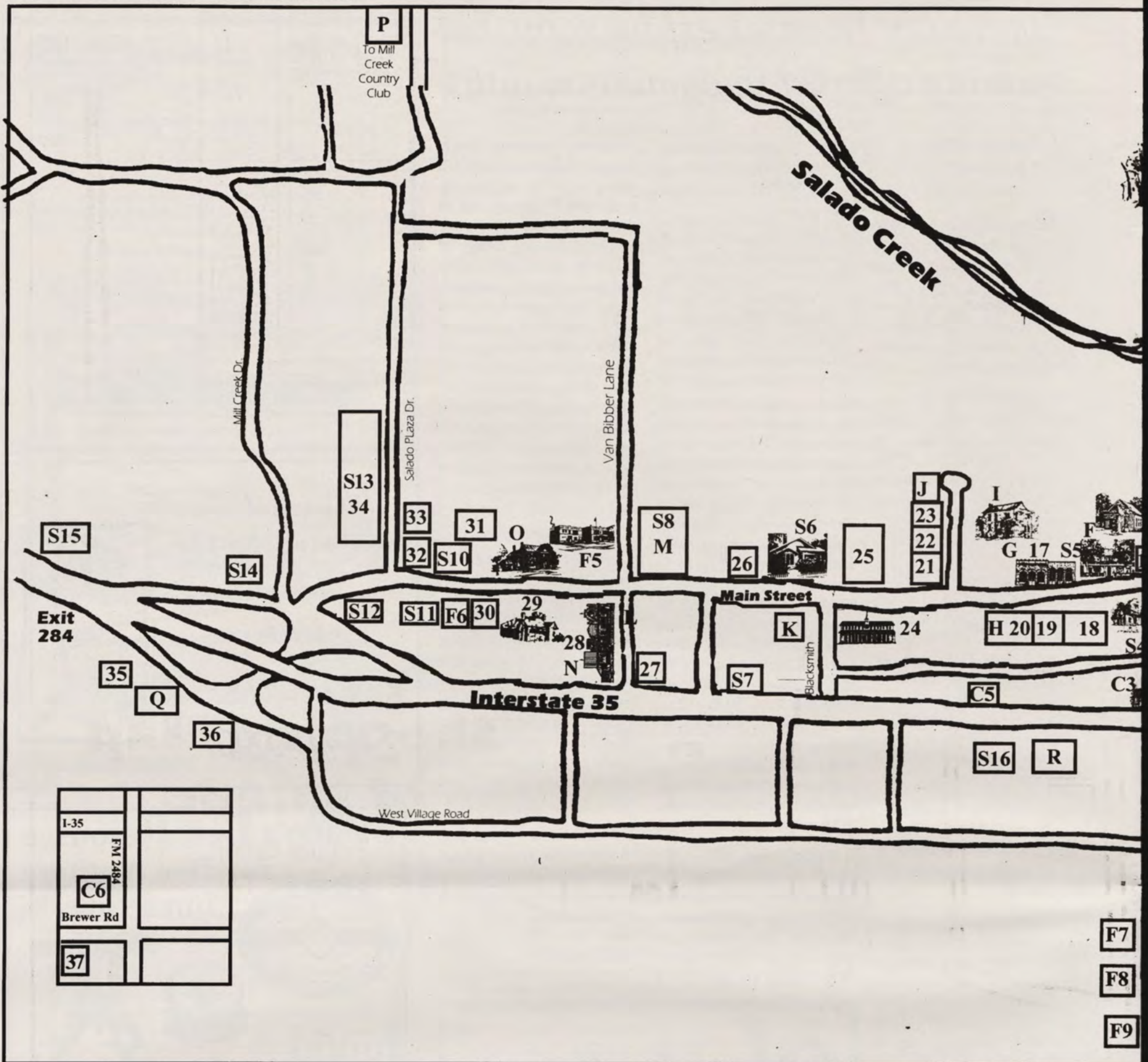
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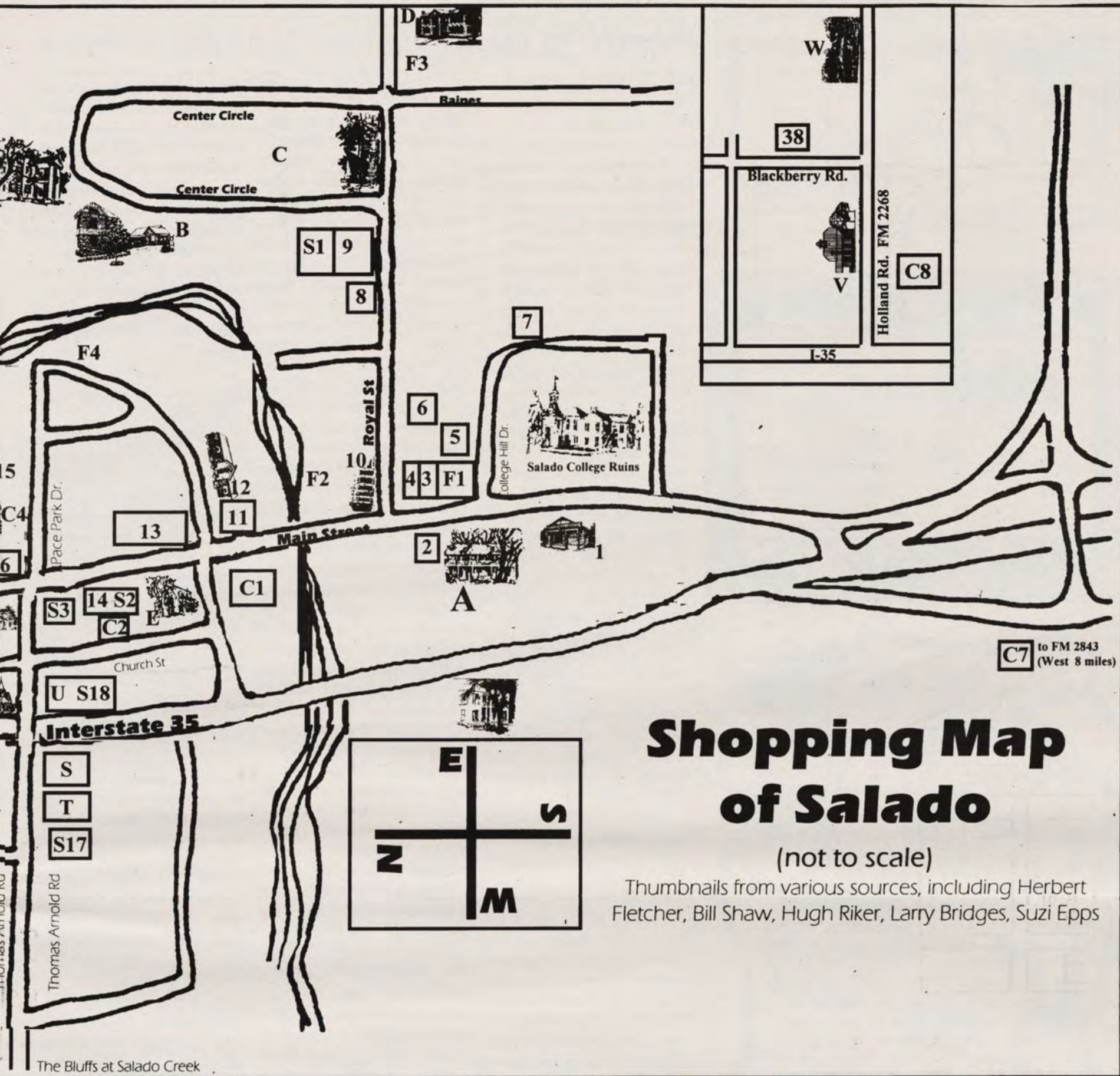
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# Shopping Map of Salado

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I. The Range at the Barton House	101 N. Main St.	254/947-3828
J. The Old Granary Bed & Breakfast	Rock Creek Dr.	254/947-
K. Pietro's Italian Restaurant	Main St. & Blacksmith	254/947-0559
L. The Vickrey House B&B	N. Main St.	254/947-5774
M. Cathy's Boardwalk Cafe	Old Town Salado	254/947-8162
N. Halley House Bed & Breakfast	N. Main St.	254/947-1000
O. Creekside Restaurant & Club	1401 South Ridge Rd.	254/947-3052
P. Mill Creek Inn		254/947-5141
S. Salado Dairy Queen	I-35 and Thomas Arnold	254/947-5406
T. Lucye's Place Barbecue	301 Thomas Arnold Rd.	254/947-6000
U. Salado Burger King	I-35 at Thomas Arnold	254/947-8060
V. Brambley Hedge B&B	1 mile east on FM 2268	254/947-1914
W. Country Place B&B	2.7 miles east on FM 2268	254/947-9683

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S8. <b>Salado Civic Square</b>	Main St. & Van Bibber	
Properties by Larry Sands	Main St.	254/947-5580
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Innkeeping with the Times	Salado Civic Square	254/947-9683
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S11. Century 21 Bill Bartlett	600 Main St.	254/947-5050
S12. Compass Bank	N. Main St.	254/947-5051
S13. <b>SALADO PLAZA</b>	213 Mill Creek Dr.	
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## 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

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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
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## Family Matters: As other crimes decrease, reports of family violence is on the increase

by Debra Brock  
Executive Director  
Families in Crisis

Family matters. According to a recent poll, most Texans think family violence is a serious problem. They are absolutely right. Last year, there were 181,773 reported incidents of family violence in Texas. To put this in perspective, these reports outnumbered car thefts by 75 percent. In addition, reported incidents of family violence increase in 1997, even though reports of murder, rape, robbery, burglary and theft fell. Acts of domestic violence occur every 15 seconds in the U.S. Over 20 percent of all murders in this country are committed within the family. The cost of family violence is staggering -- U.S. businesses lose \$3 to \$5 billion each year because of abuse-related absenteeism and lost productivity in addition to \$100 million in medical bills. Communities spend millions of dollars on domestic violence intervention for law enforcement, court proceedings, health care, school programs and social services.

Family violence is not a disagreement, a marital spat or an anger management problem. Family violence is not just about hitting or punching. It is not usually an individual, isolated event. Rather, it is a learned pattern of assaults and coercive behaviors consisting of a variety of abusive acts intended to maintain control over the victim. Physical, psychological, sexual and economic abuse are some methods used by an individual to hurt, dominate and control an intimate partner. The aim is to restrict the activity and independence of that partner. Without inter-

vention, the abuse is usually recurrent and can escalate in frequency and severity. Family violence results in death, serious injury and chronic medical and mental health issues for victims, their children, the perpetrators and others who may become involved. Family violence affects people of all cultures, religions, ages, sexual orientations, educational backgrounds and income levels. The majority of victims are women, but men can be victims of family violence, too.

Family violence occurs in a relationship where the perpetrator and the victim are known to each other. The intimate context of the violence is important in understanding the nature of the problem. To an outside observer, family violence may look like stranger-to-stranger violence. Victims of family violence believe that they are entitled to use tactics of control with their partners and too often find social and religious supports for their beliefs. It is the "family" nature of these relationships that sometimes gives the perpetrators social, if not legal, permission to use abuse. It is also the "family" nature of the offense that prevents others from intervening until serious threats or physical injury result.

The destructive impact caused by family violence far exceeds the immediate emotional and physical suffering to the victim. There is another very serious impact: the long-lasting detriment to the children in the home. The abuse of a partner who is the parent of a child also constitutes abuse of the child. Whether it is the physical and emotional abuse of a partner, the pain and psychological harm to the child witnessing the brutalization and degradation of parent is

marked by long-lasting and psychological scars that affect the child into adulthood and in future relationships. Although family violence may be limited to a single individual, all members who witness abuse suffer as well. Violence and abuse always lead to negative consequences in the family, such as destruction of trust, respect, safety and love, which ultimately lead to family disintegration. Home for these families is not a safe haven, but a place where violence can erupt at any time.

One thing is clear -- abusive behavior in any relationship can be traced and identified as a generational problem. Children who observe violence are more likely to revert to violent alternatives to compensate for inadequate coping skills as a method of exerting control or to express anger. Violent reactions are patterns of learned behavior for dealing with stress and conflicts and will continue until some steps are taken to break the pattern and cycle of behavior. Limiting exposure of children to violence in the home is essential if we expect our children to become adults capable of relating to others in a nonviolent, non-abusive manner.

Family violence is a problem of epidemic proportions with far-reaching consequences for individual victims, their children and their communities. Every one of us has a role to play within our institutions and our communities to stop this plague that sickens and saddens not only our families but our society as a whole. Let us be inspired and committed to educate ourselves about the tragedy of family violence, let us hold abusers accountable and let us work together in our homes, communities and churches to end it.

Family matters.

**Editor's note:** This editorial is reprinted from the Winter 1998/99 edition of *Outreach*, the newsletter for Families in Crisis, Inc. Families in Crisis, Inc. serves victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. **The local family violence hotline number is 1-888-799-SAFE.**

In 1997, Families in Crisis, Inc. provided 6,134 shelter nights, provided outreach services to 4,746 victims (many were children) and answered 3,000 hotline calls. Families in Crisis, Inc., is a United Way Agency. Donations of any amount can be mailed to Families in Crisis, Inc., P.O. Box 25, Killeen, TX 76540. For more information about Families in Crisis, Inc., or to volunteer, call 634-1184.

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# Cold, wet weather tough on cattle

James M. Davis  
Co. Ext. Agent

Cold, wet weather last week was very tough on cattle across Central Texas. When the chill factor goes down, the energy requirement goes up greatly. The best source of energy is grain. If grain is not practical, then feed the highest quality hay you have available. The cow is just like your house, when its cold outside, the energy requirement goes up.

Also, remember that water requirements must be met. Even though its cold, cattle will dehydrate if they don't get enough water. Be sure to break ice on water troughs at least twice per day.

Dr. Eric Prostko, Extension Agronomist at Stephenville says one of the most frequent questions that is asked in rela-

tion to small grain pastures is, "How many animals can I graze on a particular field?" A stocking rate recommendation that would be acceptable for every pasture is difficult to obtain due to the wide range of variability of pasture conditions and sizes. However, some generalizations about stocking rates can be made. On the average, a small grain pasture that is six inches in height will supply between 500 and 750 pounds of dry matter per acre. The number of animals that a pasture in this condition can support is then dependent on the type of animal that is grazing and its required forage needs.

For example, a small grain pasture six inches in height should be able to support one dry cow/A for a minimum of 20 days, a 300 pound calf for

41 days, a 600 pound steer for 26 days, assuming no additional growth. Keep in mind that one of the biggest problems in small grain pastures is overgrazing. Small grain pastures should not be grazed down to a height less than three inches. Grazing to heights less than three inches will drastically reduce the amount of regrowth, provide weeds with an opportunity to develop, and reduce the overall production capacity of the pasture.

From all of us at the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, we wish you a happy and prosperous 1999.

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# Distinguished Speaker series begins

Frank McCourt, the Pulitzer Prize-winning author renowned for his memoir of an impoverished childhood in Ireland, leads off the first annual KLRU Distinguished Speaker Series at 7 p.m. Jan. 28 at the LBJ Auditorium in Austin. Tickets are available at all UTTM ticket outlets or by calling 512/477-6060.

McCourt is the bestselling author of the renowned "epic of woe" *Angela's Ashes*, named the best book of 1996 by *Time*, *Newsweek* and *Entertainment Weekly*. McCourt was named one of the Most

Intriguing People of 1997 by *People Magazine*. He is currently working on the much-anticipated sequel to *Angela's Ashes*.

McCourt's appearance marks the first in a line of distinguished speakers scheduled to appear at the LBJ auditorium in 1999. Also slated are David McCullough (March 9), Dr. Beck Weathers (June 24) and Doris Kearns Goodwin (Sept. 14).

The KLRU Distinguished Speaker Series was established to help fulfill KLRU's mission to bring ideas and information to Central Texans, and to

deepen the bonds of community in an increasingly complex world. Proceeds from the series benefit KLRU, public television for Central Texas.

KLRU-TV is owned and operated by the private, non-profit Capital of Texas Public Telecommunications Council. Funding is provided by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, local underwriters and more than 30,000 Central Texas members.

For more information, call 512/471-4811 or visit the KLRU web site at [www.klrutv.org](http://www.klrutv.org).

# Temple Civic Theatre offers youth workshop

Temple Civic Theatre will offer a three-week long youth workshop for ages 6-16. Class dates are 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Jan. 30, Feb. 6 and 13. A public performance of the workshop play will be presented at 2 p.m. Feb. 13.

The workshop director is

Leroy Philbrook, BA graduate in Theatre from the Centenary College in Louisiana. The workshop play *This is a Test*, a comedy written by Stephen Gregg, will appeal to students of all ages and offer fun and dramatic theatre experience to all students.

Registration is on a first-come, first serve basis with a class limited to 25 students.

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As the year comes to an end, most of us reflect on the accomplishments, hopes and dreams of the past 12 months.

The *Salado Village Voice* would like to take this time to announce some of the exciting future plans in line for 1999.

Beginning with the January 6, 1999 edition, the *Salado Village Voice* will be delivered directly to homes in the Salado Independent School District via a private carrier.

"For 10 years, we have mailed the *Salado Village Voice* to the post office boxes and rural routes of the Salado post office," said managing editor Marilyn Fleischer. "As our newspaper has increased in the number of pages and inserts, the cost of our weekly mailings has increased dra-

matically."

"Because of the weight of our newspaper -- sometimes as much as eight ounces -- we pay the postal system by the pound for our weekly mailings," Fleischer explained further. "In exploring our options of delivering the newspaper for the lowest cost, we have concluded that contracting with a private carrier will better meet our growing needs. Our delivery costs will remain constant, allowing us room to grow."

Arthur Wade Capps, a retired postal employee and old-time Saladoan, will deliver the *Salado Village Voice* to over 1,850 homes in the school district.

"Due to differences in the boundaries of the school district, which is our target mar-

ket, and the routes covered by the Salado post office, some will no longer receive the newspaper. For the most part, those will be people on the Salado postal route, but living in another school district."

"Others who live in the Salado school district but receive mail from Belton will now get the *Salado Village Voice* delivered to their home each week," Fleischer added.

Roughly, the boundaries of free home delivery will be Tahuaya Rd. to the north, Prairie Dell to the south, Armstrong Rd. to the east, and Cedar Valley Rd. to the west.

"Mr. Capps will cover almost 200 miles of road each week, delivering the newspaper to over 1,850 homes," Fleischer said. "In addition, he will deliver over 2,000 papers to stands in Belton, Salado, Holland, Jarrell and Bartlett."

"We will continue to be the advertising vehicle of choice for the Salado market," she added. "We are the only print advertising vehicle providing total market coverage of the Salado market."

### New design in the works

The new year will also see a difference in the layout and design of the *Salado Village Voice* newspaper.

"We will continue to be a user-friendly super-tabloid of at least two sections," said editor-in-chief Tim Fleischer.

Changes in store for the Feb. 3 edition of the *Salado Village Voice* include a new nameplate and front page design, a six-column format inside the paper and new typefaces for headlines and editorial.

"The six column format will allow us freedom of design in a modular approach," Fleischer said.

"More importantly, it will allow us to maintain our current advertising rates," he added. "The new design will allow 96 column inches of space per page, as opposed to 80 column inches per page currently."

The new column-size will be 1½ inch in width (as opposed to the current column width of approximately 1¾ inch).

"The new page layout will allow more newshole per page, which lets us maintain the same number of pages and do a better job of serving the village," Fleischer said.

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years," Fleischer said. "Meanwhile, we have maintained the same advertising rates for six years. We want to continue to offer extremely affordable, effective advertising to all of the businesses in our trade area. By increasing the number of column inches per page, we can avoid increasing our display advertising rates."

**New look for Salado: A Jewel in the Crown of Texas**  
The *Salado Village Voice* unveiled a new look for the *Salado: A Jewel in the Crown of Texas* magazine with its Winter Edition.

New plans for the magazine include publishing seasonally (Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter) with the following print dates: Spring, February 24; Summer, May 26; Fall, August 25 and Winter, November 24.

Advertising deadlines will be three weeks prior to the publication date. Deadlines are the following: Spring, February 3;

Summer, May 5; Fall, August 4; Winter, November 3.

Advertisers will receive notices of deadlines for the Quarterly publication with their monthly statements. Announcements will also be published in the newspaper.

"Advertisers will receive an annual contract for the magazine in which they can reserve space for each issue, pay in advance for the year to receive a discounted rate, or make a note for us to call for changes," Fleischer said.

Because of the upgrade in the quality of paper, the cost of advertising will increase. "This is the first increase ever in the cost of advertising in the *Jewel* magazine," Fleischer said. "It is due solely to the increased cost to us of printing on the higher-quality paper. The better-quality paper makes the *Jewel* magazine a much more attractive publication with a longer home-life."

"Advertisers have told us of

calls they have received from *Jewel* ads from publications printed five years ago and more," Fleischer said.

"We hope to continue to improve the publication and are investigating a glossy, four-color cover this year," Fleischer said. "This will make each edition of the *Jewel* a collectable piece of Salado memorabilia."

"We want the *Salado Village Voice* and the *Salado: A Jewel in the Crown of Texas* magazine to reflect the high-quality of life in our village," Fleischer said.

For more information about reaching the Salado market through the *Salado Village Voice* or *Salado: A Jewel in the Crown of Texas*, call 254/947-5321.

The newspaper office is open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays at 213 Mill Creek Dr., Suite #125. Mailing address is P.O. Box 587, Salado, TX 76571; 24-hour fax is 254/947-9479.

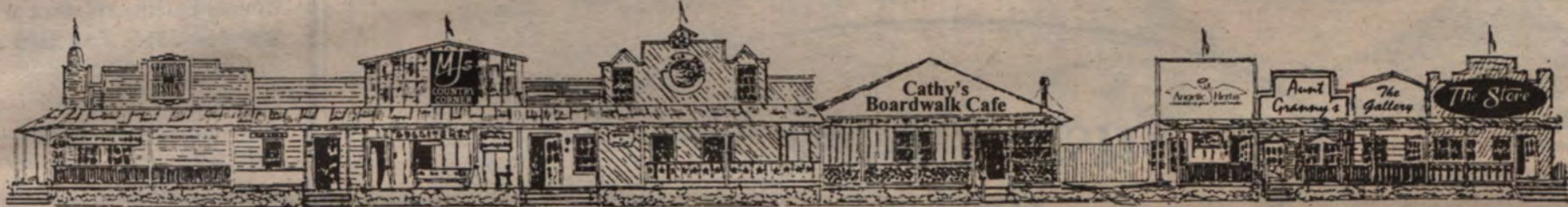
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"We'll be active all day with sessions ranging from how to exercise a healthy sense of humor to the best shoes and other fitness equipment for the "Walk Across Texas" campaign," said Faith Ballard, chairman of the 1999 Texas Family Forum.

"We've scheduled speakers and concurrent sessions to fully explore all aspects of liv-

ing as healthy as we can for as long as we live. Our program is designed to help people find ways to be as active as possible on all levels so they can enjoy good health."

Dr. Diane Harvey Dowdy sets the tone for the day with her keynote on how to take "A Healthy Look at Humor." Dowdy is Director of the Options for Health Department at Scott and White Hospital.

Concurrent sessions include Janet Enders' discussion of the Arthritis Foundation's positive tips on managing arthritis, as well as other sessions on osteoporosis by Dr. Janell Waters from Baylor University, and a breast cancer update by the American Cancer Society.

"Diabetics often avoid eating out because they aren't sure they can find proper foods for their needs," says Charlotte Talley, McLennan County Extension agent. "But Linda Garriott from the Texas Department of Health has good news about that and also has new and easy steps to adapting family recipes."

"Steps to a Healthy Life - The Texas Family Forum" begins at 9 a.m. and continues until 2:30 p.m. The \$10 forum registration fee includes lunch and all sessions. Pre-registration checks payable to B.I.G. should be sent to Faith Ballard, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Route 2, Box 1, Stephenville, TX 76401. On-site registration will be accepted on a space available basis. For more information, contact Ilene Miller in the Bell County Extension Office at 1-800-460-2355, Ext 5305 or 933-5305.

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Farmers Insurance pays tribute to the theme of the 1999 Tournament of Roses parade, Echoes of the Century, with this year's tallest entry. "Soaring to new Heights" is a 60-foot replica of the Saturn V rocket that landed the first man on the moon. It is designed to fold to 17 feet, short enough to make it under an overpass on the parade route.

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# Tumbleweed Smith finds his heart in San Francisco

by Tumbleweed Smith

Our son BZ has a recording studio in downtown San Francisco, Calif. He teaches classical guitar and plays in a rock group called Sugar Danks. They have turned out some interesting CD's.

We flew out to California a few weeks ago to see and hear BZ play some classical guitar selections at a relative's wedding. We went out in a small private plane owned by my wife's cousin, Bill Curry. He flew us over the Grand Canyon and Lake Powell. We loved that.

BZ did great, the wedding was nice and we were now ready to play. We did what most visitors do in San Francisco: ride the cable cars, sit and watch the people at Union Square and ride the glass elevators that climb the outside wall of the St. Francis Hotel, giving passengers a full view of the city.

We also had some wine and heavy snacks at the Top of the Mark, a special place at the top of the Mark Hopkins Hotel. When I gave our name to the hostess, I noticed all the tables by the windows were taken.

There were some tables in the middle of the room that were not occupied, so I figure we would get one of those.

We did better than that, thank you. After a few minutes wait, she led us to a corner that offered a 200 degree panorama of the city. We had a couch, two easy chairs, a table and three straight chairs for the four of us. We watched the sun go down from the best spot in town.

We drove down Vermont Street. Visiting drivers usually go down Lombard Street, con-

sidered by some to be the crookedest street in America, but Vermont Street is just as crooked. BZ lives near Vermont Street. Sometimes his street is blocked because a movie crew is shooting a film.

We took the ferry to Sausalito, strolled through the Muir Woods and walked all over downtown. We ate Thai food and visited the Tumbleweed Cafe.

We learned about some things that were invented in San Francisco. The cable car was invented by Andrew Hallidie in 1873 after he noticed a horse-drawn streetcar slip backwards down one of

the city's steep slopes.

The slot machine was invented by James Frey in 1895 at 406 Market Street. His Liberty Bell gaming devices were built from 1897 to 1906, when an earthquake and fire put him out of business.

Sourdough bread was invented in San Francisco in 1849 when miners used batches of dough to "start" the next day's loaf.

The first television screen flickered to life in San Francisco in 1927. It happened at 202 Green Street where 21 year old Philo Taylor Farnsworth had a lab. In 1909, fortune cookies were invented in San Francisco by Makoto Hagiwara, the Japanese caretaker of the Tea Garden at Golden Gate Park.

The Martini was invented to fortify passengers taking the ferry from San Francisco to Martinez. Levi Strauss invented blue jeans in the 1860's to serve participants in the gold rush. He made the tough pants from a material called "serge de Nimes," named for the French city that milled it, thus giving birth to the word denim. A similar cloth manufactured in Genoa is the source of the word "jeans."

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