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The media storm surrounding Jarrell last week including TV crews from around the state and nation. (photo by Tim Fleischer)



Burned insulation in the attic of the Stagecoach Inn hotel is shown above. The hotel caught fire Oct. 9 with damage to 15 rooms. (photo by John Eubanks)

## Year in review 1997 will long be remembered

The following is a review of stories that affected in Salado during 1997.

### January

On Jan. 8, eight people, including six Salado students and two bus drivers, were injured in an accident involving two buses operated by the Salado ISD. The six students were listed in good condition, and the two bus drivers were listed in stable condition.

In January, James F. Veninga was appointed president and executive director of the Institute for the Humanities at Salado. The announcement was made by Harry A. Wilmer, who is retiring as president and executive director after 17 years with the Institute. Dr. Veninga assumed his duties in September 1997.

Guest speaker Paula Brown addressed the Salado Chamber of Commerce's 32nd Annual Banquet. Incoming Chamber President Tim Fleischer also presented a plaque of appreciation to the outgoing president, Lloyd Parks.

### February

The Texas Transportation Commission awarded a \$322,104 contract to construct a pedestrian walkway along FM 2268 (Main Street) in Salado. Part of the project will include restoring an historic truss bridge and placing it over Campbell branch.

Author Patricia Hampl was the first speaker of the Institute for the Humanities "Quest for Silence" spring lecture series. The Venerable Lobsang Samten, spiritual director of the Tibetan Buddhist Center of Philadelphia, was the second speaker March 22-23. In April, Institute director Harry Wilmer became the third speaker in the series. Poet Kathleen Norris was the final speaker in the Insti-

tute for the Humanities' spring lecture series.

### March

The Salado ISD Board of Trustees upheld the decision of the administration in removing Dan Wasik as athletic director, following a Level Three Grievance Hearing at a crowded school library.

### April

The school board, by a 5-1 vote, named Joe Mullins as Boys Athletic Director.

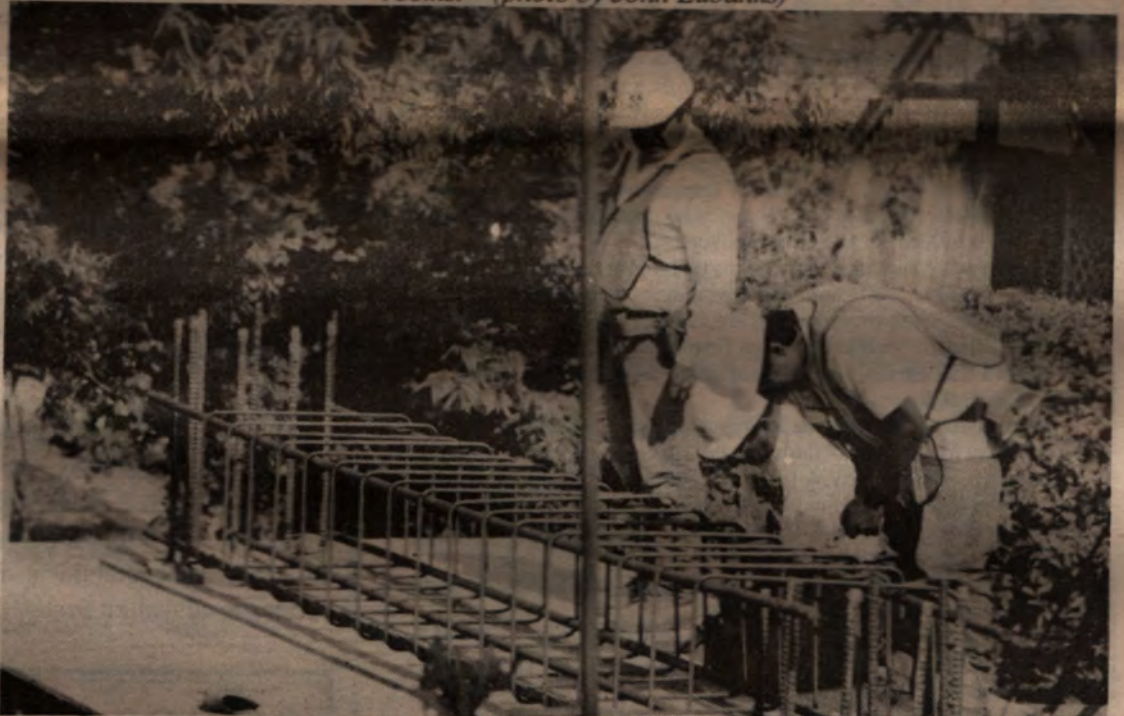
The Salado Village Voice won three awards at the Texas Community Newspaper Association Convention in Austin April 3-4: first place for Best Original Editorial for Tim Fleischer's "Letter from the Editor"; third place by Ken Clapp for Best Original Column for his writings on "A Bunch of Bulk ... Mail."; and third place for best original ad (black and white over 70 inches) for an ad promoting local artist Ronnie Wells' book, "The Legend of Catfish and Little Bream."

Salado High School Principal Sammy Edwards resigned her position effective in July to accept a teaching contract at the Killeen Ninth Grade Center.

### May

Mike Gunter and Mike Wiley were elected to the Salado school board, beating three other candidates, including incumbent Jerry Adams, for the two contested seats on the seven-member board.

Saladoans looked out their windows last week to watch as tornadoes dipped in and out of clouds, to miss the village and drop death and destruction on our neighbors to the south in Jarrell. An F5 category tornado -- the



Texas Department of Transportation workers began construction of a walk bridge and walkway along Main Street recently. (photo by John Eubanks)



A member of the 1-4 Aviation Brigade pulls the winner duck out of the Salado Creek during the Annual Duck Race Oct. 4. (photo by Marilun Fleischer)

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# FORUM



CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR  
KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON



## TEXANS WEIGH IN ON CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM

In large margins, Texans strongly support reforming federal campaign finance laws by imposing limits on a broad range of contributions. My annual questionnaire, which your newspaper published last August, asked Texans to tell me how they feel about the ongoing campaign finance reform debate.

Of those who responded, 87 percent favor stricter limits on contributions from non-citizen permanent U.S. residents; 86 percent favor stricter limits on labor unions' contributions and 71 percent said they support imposing stricter limits on contributions by individuals.

Asked if you think there should be limits on the amount of money individuals or organizations can spend to support or oppose candidates or specific issues, 74 percent of Texans answered yes. But only 22 percent of you favor government funding of campaigns.

Here are some of your comments on this perplexing issue:

From Arcadia: "Individual contributions should be unlimited because restricting them would be a limit on free speech. I am against government funding of any campaigns."

From Lake Jackson: "No contributions should be allowed by any entity except a (singular) qualified voter. Contributions should only be acceptable from an individual's current personal earnings or savings. Corporations, foreign countries, labor unions, trade associations, etc. are not voters and should be prohibited from giving financial support to anyone or any party. The U.S. Constitution is clear about qualifications to vote, and the same should apply to contributors to political campaigns."

From Aledo: "We are not even enforcing our current laws. Deregulate individual contributions, but require full, immediate disclosure. Forbid business and political action committee (PAC) contributions, including unions."

From Port Isabel: "There should be a clear-cut cap on campaign contributions to level the playing field. Special interests should not be allowed to influence government this way. Capping contributions would allow them to represent us, not whoever has the most money. Right now, when money talks, government listens."

From Vernon: "I think non-citizen permanent residents should not be allowed to contribute toward campaigns. If they are not willing to become legal citizens, they should not have a say in any area of government...The buying of candidates needs to be stopped. Candidates need to focus on what is best for the United States instead of pleasing special interest groups."

From San Antonio: "The cost of campaigns should be borne by the candidate entirely, but with free TV and radio time. That way the candidates would not be influenced by corporate interests."

From Hurst: "There shouldn't be any limits on spending or donations, but we should require contributions and expenditures to be reported within three days on a web site, so everyone will know where support comes from."

From Blanco: "Public campaign finance is a misuse of tax dollars. If you're not a U.S. citizen, you have no right to participate. The whole system is out of control."

From Garland: "It's simple. Increase the limit on what an individual can donate (either individually or through a PAC or corporation) to \$5,000 for any legitimate candidate or party. All congressional candidates should be required to raise 75 percent of their funds within their home state. On the income tax returns, people could select \$10, \$25 or write in up to \$100 for support of presidential and senatorial races."

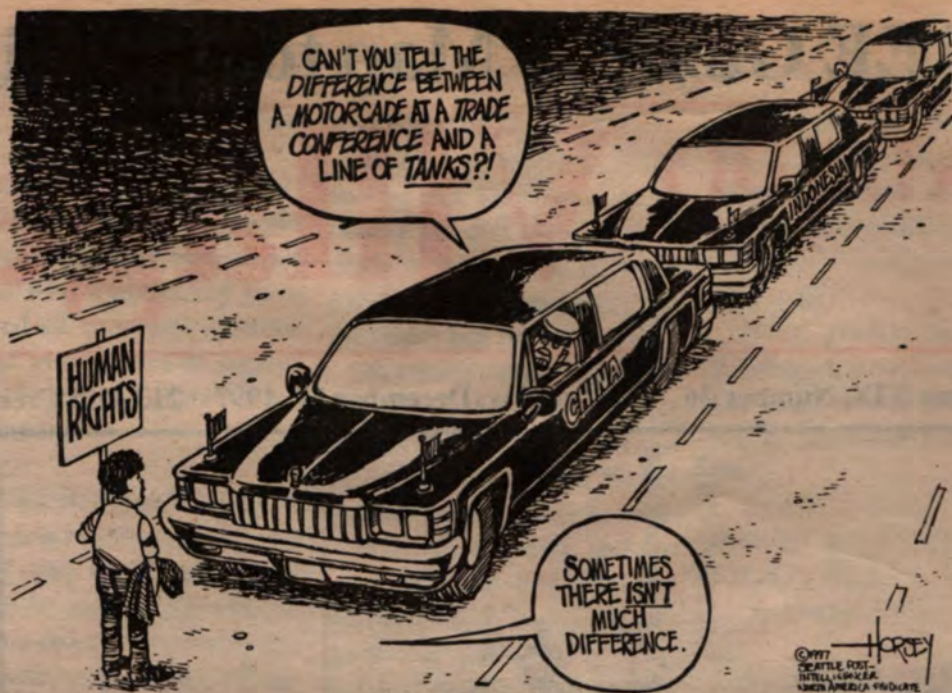
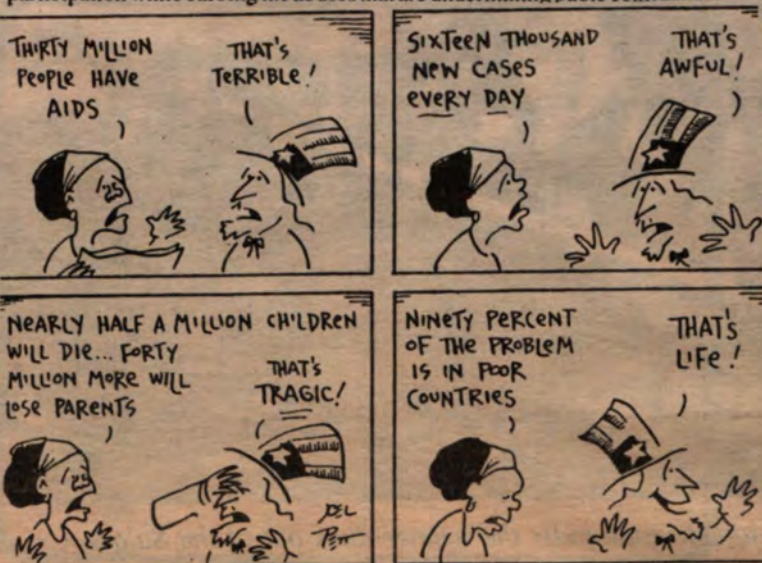
From El Paso: "I believe in total freedom for all people. Anyone from any country should be able to donate or vote."

Congress will take up campaign finance reform next spring. I have introduced a bill designed to remedy the most significant shortcomings in federal campaign finance laws.

These new rules would help return control of federal campaigns and elections to individual voters. My bill:

- \* Limits to \$250,000 the amount a Senate campaign may reimburse a candidate for loans the candidate makes to his or her own campaign.
- \* Requires at least 60 percent of a Senate candidate's campaign funds to come from individual residents of his or her home state.
- \* Curtails the congressional franking privilege for mass mailings during election years.
- \* Limits PAC contributions to the same level as allowed for individuals; indexes this uniform limit to the rate of inflation.
- \* Prohibits contributions from non-U.S. citizens.

These are clear, workable reforms designed to encourage greater political participation while curbing the abuses that are undermining public confidence.



## Batting 1.000 in '97 predictions, Writer steps up to plate for '98

Tradition demands that any columnist worth his salt spend some time at the end of each year getting out on a limb with predictions and a saw - both of which, readers hope, will be used effectively and with gusto.

However, before sallying forth into the nether land of haruspitation, let's take a look at the 1997 record. This column, last January 1, made seven predictions (some would say guesses) that all came true including passage of the Salado school bond issue; a major growth spurt in the village (even before we learned of the golf course expansion); disappearance of the local Historian's plan to incorporate Main Street and a year's hiatus in the matter of reviving another move towards village government.

At the state level we opined that the head of the Texas lottery would be axed and the legislature would skim off part of the state's legal gambling profits for the education fund.

### Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



The rift between President Clinton and Congress was also predicted even when things were going swimmingly at the time.

So with this surprisingly accurate record (at least for this column) of 1997 doodle-bugging, water witching and crystal gazing, we turn now to 1998 with the usual Druid-like incantations involving the stirring of chicken bones, Newt eyes, bat wings and other disgusting items needed to produce some heavy divination along the lines of a vaticinatorial type oracle (all of which translated, means hopefully stumbling over a few correct and printable events that will take place during the coming year).

1998 Forecast

With 1997's record of 100

percent correct predictions, the only way to go in '98 is down - so with that unhappy thought well in mind, we predict that Saladoans this year will see the local library association bring forth a plan to add a half-penny to the local sales tax which will go directly into the coffers of the book huggers.

A vote to form a library tax district; a new library board and a half cent tax will go before the voters in the Spring and pass! Funds will be spent on a full time librarian and other necessities to upgrade the local literary collection center.

The matter of using the tax base to borrow sufficient funds to build a brand new library building will be discussed and then shelved at least for 1998 or until library leaders get over the sticker-shock coming from cost estimates for land and construction.

### INCORPORATION?

The subject of incorporating the Village of Salado, we predict, will arise in 1998, like the mythical phoenix, reassembling itself from the ashes of its most recent defeat at the polls.

The growth currently in motion within the community is bringing in new people who are demanding more services than can be supplied by the Chamber of Commerce.

With new faces, new ideas and optimism leading the incorporation recharge - particularly in Mill Creek, there may be something coming besides the millennium.

One thing for sure - many of the veteran incorporation campaigners, who took much of the abuse last time, have vowed to stay on the sidelines this go-round. They have said openly that the nasty letter writers and sign posters will just have to learn how to spell

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- Tim Fleischer, Editor-in-Chief
- Marilyn Fleischer, Managing Editor
- Ken Clapp, Political Commentary
- John Eubanks, Writer/Photographer

# Salado Family Relief Fund makes Christmas merry for 24 families

The Salado Family Relief Fund organizers **Thank You Salado** for your giving spirit this holiday season. Over 57 children and 24 families received Christmas gifts and groceries.

## Living Room Theatre raises curtain on 2nd show in Jan.

Salado's Living Room Theatre will produce the second show of the 1997-98 season, *When Times Get Tough, You Can Adjust or You Can Adjust; Profiles of Ten Texas Women*, featuring works by Carolyn Britt, Judy Greene, Shirley Pinkston, Mary Ann Taylor and Donna Walker-Nixon.

The show will be performed at 7 p.m. at the homes of the following members:

Jan. 5, Mary Hill (148 Santa Clara Rd.);

Jan. 6, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Parks (901 Blaylock Dr.);

Jan. 7, Ms. Sunny Wilson (4320 Sunflower Ln.)

Jan. 9 Mr. and Mrs. Harley Grimm (706 Old Mill Rd.).

Tickets will be available at the door and the performance is open to everyone. Directions may be obtained by calling Dianna Zulaf at the Salado Chamber of Commerce, 947-5040.

Raymond Carver, Director of the group, reports that the title quotation, *You Can Adjust or You Can Adjust* was coined by Lady Bird Johnson. The program contains amusing as well as serious performances by Carolyn Britt, Judy Greene, Mary Hill, Margaret Ann Lara and Shirley Pinkston. Cost for each show is \$5 per person.

Subscribers have already received first-come, first-served notification. The general public is welcome to call a 24-hour answering service at 947-0334 for reservations.

To the many individuals, families and groups that adopted needy families; to those who made anonymous donations at the banks; to the teachers and others who provided new toys and books, your generosity is overwhelming. We thank you for spending your time and money!

It needs to be noted that the Salado Family Relief Fund accounts are located at Compass Bank and First State Bank here in Salado. These accounts are available for use year round for persons in our community that find themselves in need. This year, in addition to purchasing

gifts and food for Christmas, the funds provided children with new school clothes and supplies to begin the school year and several thousand dollars passed through these accounts on their way to relieve fellow citizens in Jarrell.

In the coming year, if you know of someone in need contact one of the volunteers at the Salado Volunteer Fire Dept., the *Salado Village Voice*, or notify a school official. The Salado Family Relief Fund is here to help but only if organizers know of the need.

The families that received your help this year send their thanks to you and wish you health, happiness and peace in the New Year!

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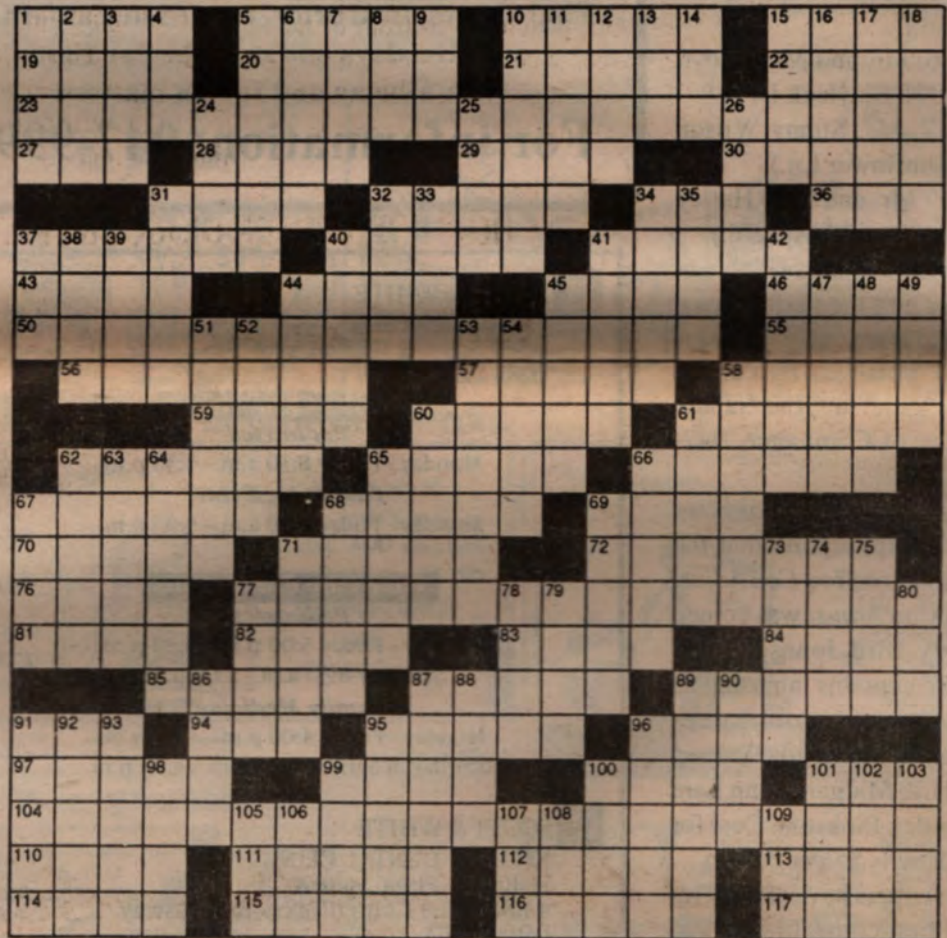


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# Christmas Rein Steer?

by Tumbleweed Smith

Jimmy Stone lives just outside of Emory, near Sulphur Springs. He has a longhorn steer he rides as a specialty act in rodeos. The steer's name is Gambler.

Around Christmas time, he puts on a Santa Claus suit and takes his steer to shopping malls where kids have their picture made with the Texas Santa Claus and his reindeer.

Once Jimmy's steer was featured in a commercial walking around in a store that sold fine china and crystal.

A preacher in San Antonio hired Jimmy and Gambler to come be a part of the church's Christmas pageant. When he arrived, Jimmy was told the pageant was to be inside the church. He noticed the small temporary stage and became a little worried. Really, he was plenty scared.

He had to take the steer up a ramp, through two or three rooms, then across the stage. The first time Gambler walked across the stage during rehearsal, he fell through. The

stage had to be rebuilt by one o'clock the next afternoon, when the performance was to begin. Jimmy couldn't sleep that night. Gambler had never done anything like this.

He arrived at the church about eleven o'clock the next day and put on his Santa suit. They gave him one of those giant foam rubber hats to wear. When the steer saw the strange costumed creature coming toward him, he nearly busted loose. Jimmy calmed him down and told Gambler "it's just me."

Jimmy looked over the men acting as shepherds in the pageant to see if he could find one to lead the steer across the stage. He saw one man who looked like he could handle it, but he turned Jimmy down, saying he didn't have enough experience with cattle.

The female director of the pageant told Jimmy just before the performance started that a group of five and six year old girls would go in front of the steer to act as reindeer. Jimmy was stunned. He looked down at that steer and told him "Son,

if you've ever been a Christian steer, be one tonight."

Jimmy climbed on the steer. He had to remove his hat because it was touching the ceiling. The curtains were pulled back and the announcer said, "This is what we've all been waiting for. The Texas Santa Claus."

Jimmy rode that steer out on the stage. The steers eyes were big. The stage was so narrow choir members extended their hands to shake hands with Jimmy as he passed in front of them.

Below the stage was an orchestra pit.

Jimmy was hollering "Merry Christmas" to the crowd while his foot was shaking in the stirrup. He could see the steer plowing into the orchestra below. The preacher motioned for Jimmy to turn the steer toward the crowd. Jimmy eased the longhorn around and noticed a little trumpet player with his horn about two inches out of his mouth and a fearful expression on his face.

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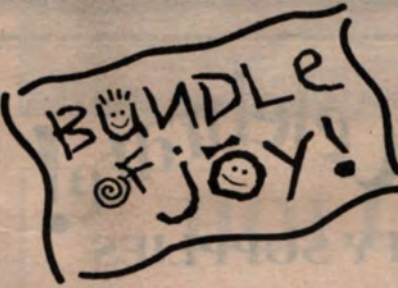
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## Ashley Kallina weds Stephen Gist in double-ring ceremony Dec. 27

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The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Kallina III of Temple. The groom is the son of Forrest and Linda Gist of Salado, and the grandson of Mrs. Homer J. Merriott of Stamford, Texas.

The wedding ceremony was officiated by Dr. Jack Riley of Foundation Church in Morgan's Point.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Dr. Kallina. She carried a bouquet of red roses and wore an elegant gown of white silk satin designed by Lazaro. The sheath silhouette featured a sleeveless crystal encrusted sweetheart neckline.

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To complete her attire, she chose for her hair a delicate bandeau in the matching encrusted crystals. From it floated a single layer of silken illusion to beyond the length of the train.

Matron of honor was Mrs.



Mrs. Stephen Rynearson Gist, nee Ashley Christine Kallina

Jacqueline Kallina, sister-in-law of the bride, of College Station.

Bridesmaids were Miss Leah Kallina of Dallas and Miss Celeste Kallina of Temple, sisters of the bride; Miss Jennifer Kethley of Montreal, Quebec, Canada; Miss Regina Lagow of Houston; Miss Aubrey Woolley of

Chiba-ken, Japan; Mrs. Kelley Meyer Martin of Grapevine, Texas; and Mrs. Emily Fayle Silva of Houston.

Miss Kethley also served as soloist. Trumpeter was Miss Julia Kethley of Dallas.

Other music was provided by Marlandwood Strings of Temple. Organist was Michael Stuart of Waco.

Best man was Forrest Gist, father of the groom.

Groomsmen were Brooks Gist of Temple and Aaron Gist of Salado, brothers of the groom; Charles Kallina IV of College Station, brother of the bride; Andrew Adams of Baltimore, Md.; Casey Lucas of Temple; Josh Moore of Austin; and Steven Hahn of Aus-

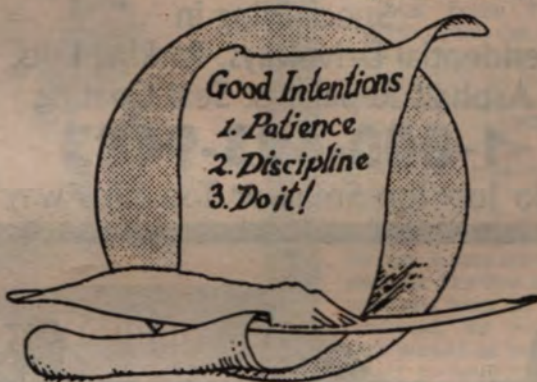
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# Year-end

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strongest there is -- ripped through the Double Creek Subdivision west of Jarrell, killing 27 people. Saladoan reached deep into their collective pockets to raise \$14,000 through the Salado Family Relief Fund for the Jarrell residents affected by the tornado.

### July

Salado made national news when Raymond and Lil Howard were reported missing June 28. The couple, which left their Salado home for Pioneer Days in Temple, was spotted in Arkansas later that same day. It was not until July 12 that the bodies of the couple were discovered in Arkansas by a teenage hiker. They had driven off the road and their car was hidden by brush.

Marvin Agnew was hired as high school principal by the Salado ISD Board of Trustees at a special meeting July 2. Agnew came to Salado from Moody, where he served as principal for over 10 years.

### August

Salado ISD learned that the high school received Recognized Status from the Texas Education Agency, while Thomas Arnold Elementary received Acceptable Status. The District as a whole received Acceptable Status.

Salado ISD Trustees presented the first round of information regarding a \$6.5 million bond election at a special meeting Aug. 13. The board also outlined its goals and objectives for the coming school year at the meeting.

Brookshire Brothers decided against installing gas pumps at its Salado grocery store, after conducting a telephone survey and receiving other input from community members at a May town meeting.

Salado ISD Trustees adopted a \$4.4 million budget at its Aug. 28 meeting. The board also set a public hearing on adopting the tax rate. At its Sept. 16 meeting, the board adopted a \$1.2597 tax rate.

### September

With 507 voters turning out early, the Salado ISD Bond Referendum passed with flying colors. The \$6.5 million bond passed Sept. 27 by a margin of 716 for, 78 against.

### October

October was the month of fund raisers for Salado as the Salado Chamber of Commerce sponsored the Salado Family Festival and Duck Race to benefit the Salado Youth Association, the Salado Chamber of Commerce Auxiliary held its annual Christmas in October and the Salado Youth Fair Boosters held an evening of fun at Jack's Barn.

A fire at Stagecoach Inn Oct. 9 resulted in damage to 15 rooms at the hotel. The fire, electrical in nature, smoldered for some time in the attic before igniting. Firefighters responded at 5:18 a.m. and had the blaze under control within two hours.

The Institute for the Humanities at Salado held its fall lecture series with four speakers addressing the issue of "The Person and the Collective."

Speakers and their individual



A sub-group of the Salado tour view the Apache helicopter, which was impressive.



Saladoans enjoyed the First Taste of Salado held in Pace Park Sept. 29 which raised approximately \$3,000 to benefit future construction of the Salado Community Service Center.



The "Little Ladies in Tennis Shoes" MaryBelle Brown and Mary Hinote are shown above with the checks presented to the Jarrell Relief Fund.

topics were these: Richard Schweder, seminar on "Rediscovering Myself in an Orthodox Hindu Temple Town," lecture on "Varieties of Moral Intelligence: Autonomy, Community, Divinity;" Chungliang Al Huang, seminar on "Living Tao: Ancient Wisdom for Modern Living," lecture on "Thinking Body, Dancing Mind: New Ways of Being for Self-Cultivation;" Huston Smith, seminar on "The Human Spirit in the Third Millenium," lecture on "The Universal Truths of the Great Religions;" Richard Wilbur, seminar on "The Use of Poetry: What It May Do for the Poet, the Reader and Their Society."

Marissa Scully was crowned 1997 Salado High School Homecoming Queen during the halftime of the October 17 game.

### November

The Clans came and went for their 36th Annual Scottish Games in Salado during November.

Sen. Troy Fraser told Salado Lions he foresees water as the area's biggest problem in coming years.

Superintendent Steven Ervin resigned his position in Salado ISD effective June 30, 1998. His resignation was accepted by the board of trustees, which had ear-

lier voted to give him a three-year contract extension and \$5,000 per year raise in salary. Rod Stockstill was named acting superintendent while the search for an interim and full-time superintendent continues into 1998.

The SISD board of trustees also approved the design of the new middle school and approved the low bid on re-roofing the elementary school at its Nov. 18 meeting.

### December

The Salado Historical Society and Salado Business Association presented "Christmas Past and Present" with a two-weekend Christmas Stroll and Tours of Homes on the first two weekends of December.

Salado ISD trustees discussed the state of the district's finances during their regular meeting Dec. 15. Information concerning shortfalls in state and local funding have recently come to light, resulting in Salado ISD's fund balance possibly dipping below \$100,000 before the end of the school year.

Rains pounded the Central Texas area in mid-December, with the Salado Creek toppling over the top of the Main Street bridge Dec. 20.

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They're laughing because they see and hear a little part of themselves in Tumbleweed's presentations, which have been likened to a family reunion or a Texas neighborhood party.

Tumbleweed introduces tape-recorded segments in a way that gets the audience involved in each story. The voices remind them of home, kinfolks and good times around a warm fire.

Tumbleweed has performed **Wedding** tin.

Ushers were Joseph Alvarez of Mount Pleasant, Texas; Mark Birkholz of Lexington, Ky.; Gabe Head of San Marcos; Sean Lenehan of Boston, Mass.; Kris Valenta of Austin; and Todd Voges of Huntsville, Texas.

Alvarez also assisted with the Unity Candle.

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at the World Champion Burro Roping Marathon.

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He has been a celebrity judge at the Chili Cookoff in Terlingua, the Pinto Bean Cook-off in Balmorhea and the Menudo Cook-off in Pecos.

He does a One Man Show, Texas Stories, on weekends during the summer in Fort Davis.

Tumbleweed is best-known across the state for his daily radio show, The Sound of Texas. His radio show has been broadcast across the state for over 30 years. It is broadcast three times daily on KNCT-FM, 91.3 on the radio dial.

His weekly newspaper column is also featured in the



Part owner of Texas Tumbleweed Smith

Salado Village Voice.

Reservations are encouraged as the capacity of Mill Creek is expected to fill quickly.

Banquet tickets are available at the Salado Chamber of Commerce office or from any Chamber of Commerce director for \$20 per person.

For more information, call the Salado Chamber of Commerce at 947-5040, Salado Village Voice, 947-5321, or Inn at Salado, 947-0027.

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Temple High School and Southern Methodist University, where she earned a degree in psychology and natural science.

She has worked as a cancer research assistant at Scott and White Clinic and Hospital in Temple.

She is currently a first-year medical student at UT Health

Science Center in Houston.

The groom is a graduate of Temple High School and attended Temple College and the University of North Texas. He is pursuing a degree in Civil Technology/Construction Science at the University of Houston.

The bride's parents held a reception at Wildflower Country Club in Temple. The groom's parents held a rehearsal dinner at Stagecoach Inn Restaurant in Salado.

After taking a wedding trip to Lake Tahoe, Nev., the couple will live in Houston.



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The Lady Eagles basketball team celebrates first-round playoff win over Riesel in February. (photo by John Eubanks)

## 1997 memorable for SHS sports

By John Eubanks

This past year was quite a memorable one for Salado High athletics.

The boys and girls basketball teams advanced to the playoffs, the girls winning their district and the boys placing second.

It marked the first time since the 1985-86 season that Salado's boys had qualified for the playoffs.

Salado Coach Alan Haire, who was a sophomore on the '86 team that lost to Snook in the first round, said he had a bunch of good kids to work with during the 196-97 season.

Although the Eagles lost by 20 points in the opening round of the playoffs to sixth-ranked Academy (which sported a 30-2 record), they were only the third Salado boys team since the mid-1970s to qualify for the playoffs.

The girls, meanwhile, won 11 of 12 district games and opened the playoffs with a 24-

point win over Riesel on Valentine's Day.

But the sweet taste of success would turn sour four days later when the Lady Eagles lost 42-36 to Flatonia in the second round.

A 10-point halftime lead dwindled in the second half, when Salado mustered just eight points.

Coach Larry Salisbury called it one of the most disappointing losses in his 29 years of coaching.

Salado fans, however, turned their attention to the baseball team, which did not disappoint.

The Eagles gave Salado

High a clean sweep of the four major team sports advancing to the playoffs.

Behind the pitching and hitting of senior Chris Frazier, the Eagles won all 12 district games and opened the playoffs with a 10-0 victory over Valley Mills.

Frazier had a game that

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players only dream about, pitching a no-hitter and hitting a home run that broke a scoreless tie. He struck out 13 in six innings of a game halted by the 10-run rule.

The Eagles rode Frazier's arm for a second-round win, 15-1 over Wallis Brazos May 24. The future TCU Horned Frog pitched a two-hitter and struck out 10, despite struggling early.

But Salado's bubble would burst two days later, when the Eagles lost 6-3 to Riviera in a regional semifinal game in San Antonio.

Riveria scored all six runs in the first four innings, before Frazier entered in the fifth as Salado's third pitcher. Riviera "didn't touch the ball after that," Coach Melvin Bates said. By then, however, the damage was done.

The Eagles, after a slow start, finished the season with a 16-5 record. Frazier would go on to represent Salado in the Class A-AA portion of the Texas High School Baseball Coaches Association All-Star game June 27 at the Ballpark at Arlington.

After being drafted by the Atlanta Braves in the free agent draft, Frazier turned down an offer to sign a professional contract and instead headed to Fort Worth to play college baseball.

After the summer break, the football team began the season under the direction of new coach Joe Mullins. The Eagles started out 2-0, before losing their next two games by a total of nine points.

Salado would end the season with a 6-4 record, losing 14-7 to district runner-up Hutto and 34-13 to district champ and state finalist Rogers.

The Eagles entered the season finale tied for third in district with Holland, but soundly defeated the Hornets, 37-0, as junior running back Taylor Hutton rushed for 344 yards and four touchdowns.

He finished the year with 1,717 yards rushing and 23

touchdowns, and was named the district's offensive MVP.

Although the volleyball team did not experience the success of the other teams, it showed the most improvement.

The Lady Eagles, under the direction of second-year coach John Black, finished the season with records of 6-19 overall and 1-5 in district.

The previous year, the team won but four games and went 0-6 in district.

"The record is not indicative of the team's play on the court," Black said. "Of the 19 losses, eight were three-game matches. Last year (in '95) we rarely went three games -- maybe four times, and I don't think we won any of those."

The Salado High boys golf team finished fourth at the Class 2A state tournament in Austin May 6. The team shot a two-day total of 659, seven strokes behind third-place Memphis. Coach Larry Salisbury said the last time the golf team advanced to state was four years earlier, when it placed sixth or seventh.

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Chris Frazier on the mound in the second-round playoff game against Wallis Brazos, a game Salado won 15-1. (photo by John Eubanks)

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## Plans underway for Salado soccer

Plans are being made for the 1998 Spring Soccer Season in Salado.

The Salado Youth Soccer Association (SYSA) conducted a survey in November in the area towns of Holland, Jarrell, Florence and Bartlett. Response from the survey indicates high interest for forming soccer teams for boys and

girls in the Under 6, Under 8 and Under 10 age groups.

The soccer fields have been hydromulched by the Salado Youth Association, and the SYSA board met with a representative from the Capital Area Youth Soccer Association (CAYSA) to get more information about sign-up details, as well as general information

needed to form a soccer association in Salado.

Soccer sign-up dates will be announced in the *Salado Village Voice* at a later date.

For more information about the SYSA or to volunteer time (and/or money), call Ed Buchanan at 947-5992. Buchanan is President of the SYSA.

## Monday Club sets meeting Jan. 5

The Monday Club will have its first 1998 meeting at 2 p.m. Jan. 5 in the Fellowship Hall of the Salado United Methodist Church.

A musical devotional will be presented by "Orange Lady" Minta Landrum.

Iris McKinney will present an interesting program on "Porcelain Painting."

Hostesses are Miriam Oliver and Vickie Sartor. Visitors are most welcome.

## SHS band garage sale Jan. 10 to raise funds for trip

The Salado High School band will hold a garage sale 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Jan. 10 to raise money for a trip to Corpus Christi in April.

The sale will be held in front of the high school, or inside, in case of bad weather.

Bring any items you would like to donate to the band hall on Jan. 9. Please mark each item with a piece of tape and a suggested price.

All proceeds will go to the students who donate and work the sale. Any unsold items will be picked up by the Salvation Army that day.

Band director John Stafford said the event could be a big money maker and he hopes that people will participate.

## Salado Democrats begin New Year meeting Jan. 5

Salado Democrats will begin the New Year with a meeting 6:30 p.m. Jan. 5.

County Judge John Garth will bring to Salado Democrats a brief summary of what is going on in Bell County and what he believes the near future will bring. While he is on first-name basis with many of his Bell County constituents, he looks forward to meeting any Democratic newcomers to the community.

As is commonly known, Salado Democrats are a social group, as opposed to an official group, and Democrats may attend any of their meetings as drops-ins. There are no officers, dues or requirements.

For directions, call Mary Hodge, 947-5290 or Theron Palmer, 947-9560.

## Marie Grigsby playing her 2nd year at Lamar University

Marie Grigsby, a 1996 Salado High graduate, is in her second year as a member of the Lady Cardinals basketball team at Lamar University in Beaumont.

As a freshman last season (and the tallest member of the team), the 6-foot-2 Grigsby averaged seven points and five rebounds a game.

Those numbers are down after 10 games this season, because injuries have limited her playing time. She suffered an ankle injury earlier this year and then injured her left knee Dec. 20 against Southeast Louisiana. (She is no longer the tallest player on the team.)

Grigsby was in town for the semester break, but rejoined the team after Christmas in preparation for its Dec. 30 home game with Stephen F. Austin.

Lamar, with a record of 3-

7, placed second at the Stephen F. Austin tournament Dec. 5-6. The Lady Cards also participated in the Pittsburgh Tournament in Pittsburgh, Pa., Nov. 29-30.

Lamar begins Sun Belt Conference play Jan. 3 at home against Texas-Pan American. Conference play will take the Lady Cards to Louisiana (three times), Alabama, Arkansas, Kentucky and Edinburg, Texas.

When Lamar leaves the Sun Belt Conference for the Southland Conference in 1998-99, it will play more Texas schools -- giving Grigsby's friends and family more opportunities to see her play.

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# Slow Cooked Chili—Winter's Favorite Food

Every season of the year has its own signpost. Spring daffodils, summer thunderstorms, autumn leaves and winter chili are among the best known seasonal markers. When the temperature drops and the trees are bare, it is time for hot, steaming, spicy bowls of chili—preferably served in front of a crackling log fire.

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For slow cooked chili that will make this winter a season to savor, try one of these four Crock-Pot® recipes:

### Five-Alarm Beef Chili

- 1/4 cup vegetable oil or olive oil
- 3-4 pounds boneless beef chuck, cut into pieces
- 2 onions, chopped
- 2 green bell peppers, chopped
- 1 can (4 ounces) chopped jalapeños or mild chili peppers
- 1/3 cup chili powder
- 1 tablespoon dried oregano
- 2 teaspoons ground cumin
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup beer

Heat 2 tablespoons of oil in a skillet over medium heat. Add the beef and brown all sides. Transfer to Crock-Pot. Add the remaining 2 tablespoons oil to the skillet and sauté the onions and green peppers until soft. Transfer to Crock-Pot. In Crock-Pot, stir in the jalapeños, chili powder, oregano, cumin, salt and beer. Cover and cook on Low 6 to 8 hours or on High 3 to 4 hours. Serves 6 to 8 people. Increase



seasonings or peppers for increased chili flavor or heat.

### No Beans Beef Chili With Cornmeal

- 2 pounds ground beef
- 1 onion, chopped
- 1 green pepper
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 can (10 ounces) enchilada sauce
- 1 can (8 ounces) tomato sauce
- 1 can (4 1/2 ounces) chopped black olives, drained
- 2 tablespoons chili powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
- 2 cups water
- 1 cup yellow cornmeal
- 2 cups shredded cheddar cheese

In a skillet over medium heat, cook the ground beef, onion, and green pepper until the meat turns brown. Drain fat. Transfer to Crock-Pot. Stir in enchilada sauce, tomato sauce, olives, chili powder, salt, oregano, and cumin. Cover and cook on Low for 8 to 10 hours or on High for 4 to 5 hours.

In a saucepan, bring the 2 cups of water to a boil and gradually stir in the cornmeal. Reduce heat to low and cook until thick. Drop the cornmeal by tablespoons onto the chili. Increase heat to high if cooking on low. Cover and cook 20 to 25 minutes. Sprinkle

cornmeal with cheese and cook until cheese is melted. Serves 6 to 8.

### White Chili

- 1 can (16 ounces) navy beans, drained
- 4 cans (14 1/2 ounces each) chicken broth
- 1 onion, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tablespoon ground white pepper
- 1 tablespoon dried oregano
- 1 tablespoon ground cumin
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
- 5 cups chopped cooked chicken
- 2 cans (4 ounces each) chopped green chiles
- 1 cup water
- 8 flour tortillas
- Monterey Jack cheese
- salsa
- sour cream

In Crock-Pot, combine beans, broth, onion, garlic, white pepper, oregano, cumin, salt, cloves, chicken, green chiles, and water. Cover and cook on Low 8 to 10 hours or on High 4 to 5 hours.

Make 4 cuts in each tortilla toward center, but not through and line serving bowls with tortillas, overlapping edges. Spoon in chili. Top with cheese, salsa, and sour cream. Serve immediately. Serves 8.

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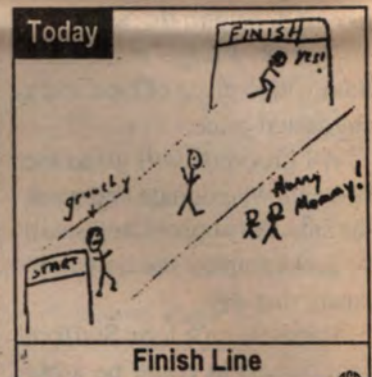
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## Dinner Without Guilt: Women can't do it all, and that's o.k. with them

New research conducted by the National Potato Promotion Board (NPPB) reveals that American women have a new and improved attitude about dinner. While the fact that women are still the primary meal preparers hasn't changed from NPPB research conducted six years ago, today women are feeling more positive about the whole "dinner experience."

NPPB research indicated that with lifestyles so drastically different than in the past, women realize it's futile to try and cook like their mothers did. Five years ago when the initial study was conducted, the women interviewed were stressed out and even tearful over dinner preparation. Today's women



had gotten past the feelings of inadequacies and are feeling successful for getting anything on the table after a busy day.

As part of both of the research studies, meal preparation was explored in small groups around the country by asking women to draw pictures describing their mealtime experiences. Five years ago, women used dark colors indicating their frustration and anger, along with images of tornadoes and time bombs. Today's women have let go of the guilt and are feeling more upbeat. Their pictures, while still including images of clocks and busy schedules, featured smiles, hearts and happy families.

This lessening of guilt may be partly due to the acceptance of a behavioral change that has been going on for nearly a decade. The 1997 National Eating Trends report has documented a continued steady decline in at-home dinners based on the traditional protein, starch and vegetable. People are looking for hand-held, quick, simple and casual meals.

Because potatoes are universally loved and, contrary to popular belief, quick to prepare, by basing meals on potatoes a family wins in flavor and convenience. The NPPB is promoting a variety of potato-based dinners that fit into today's busy and more casual lifestyles with its new brochure, *SpeedSpuds! A Whole New Way to Do Dinner*. The brochure features four breakthrough, quick-cooking techniques for potatoes that result in complete meals in less than 30 minutes. For a free copy, send a self-addressed, stamped (.64 cents postage), business-size envelope to: *SpeedSpuds*, 5105 East 41st Avenue, Denver, CO, 80216.

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# Last letters to editor for 1997

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Jim McCracken

Dear Editor:

We welcome the governor's stand against social promotion as part of an emerging bipartisan consensus on this issue. Last session we persuaded both Democratic and Republican state legislators to offer bills addressing this issue, and we made some progress. President Clinton also has taken up this cause. We are pleased to see the governor join this ongoing fight.

His decision to take a stand for strict enforcement of academic standards heightens our hopes for a policy change paralleling our success in 1994-95 in establishing a "zero tolerance" law against violent and seriously disruptive behavior in our schools.

In January 1996, we launched our "Basics First" campaign calling for an end to social promotion. That four-part program also says that no student should be allowed to advance to fourth grade without the ability to read, that schools must intervene early and intensively with students who are failing at reading in grades K-3, and that respect for

## Mark Thompson earns TC degree

Mark A. Thompson of Salado was among the 46 Temple College students who completed degree requirements for December graduation.

Thompson earned an Associate of Arts degree.

Chad Palmer of Holland received an Associate of Applied Science degree.

No formal graduation ceremony will be held, but the graduates will be invited to participate in the May commencement program.

teachers' authority to determine students' grades must be restored.

We were pleased in 1996 to see the governor quickly include parts of our "Basics First" agenda in his own reading initiative. We are equally pleased now to see Governor Bush adopt another key element of our program—ending social promotion.

We know two things don't work when children are failing academically: retention and social promotion. Just holding a child back and making him or her try to jump through the same hoops all over again is a lame response to that child's needs. But just promoting a child who has not mastered the subject matter also betrays that child's future. What we need is early, intensive intervention with sensible, research-based methods to help the at-risk child learn. And we need to guarantee teachers' authority to determine the student's progress, so that bureaucratic incentives to show a facade of success cannot override the teacher's honest assessment of what a student has learned.

TFT does not advocate using the TAAS exam as the determinant of whether a child should be promoted. The TFT approach is to insist on the effective enforcement of the state standard for promotion that is already on the books, by restoring the authority of classroom teachers to determine whether students have made a passing grade.

In 1995, 69 percent of teachers responding to a statewide TFT survey reported they felt pressure to give students higher grades than they actually earned. In a 1997 survey

conducted by our Houston affiliate, the Houston Federation of Teachers, two-thirds of all teachers responding said their principals support the practice of social promotion.

Here is how social promotion is happening today all across this state. School administrators are altering student grades on transcripts without teacher approval. School districts impose mandatory minimum grades, awarding students at least a 50 on tests they don't even show up to take. Teachers are threatened by principals when their class failure rate exceeds some arbitrary percentage, or when the football star fails the course. These and other practices simply cannot be tolerated any longer.

The governor is no doubt attracted to the TAAS exam as a promotion standard because it is a uniform and statewide measure. But the curriculum in our public schools is much broader than the reading, writing and arithmetic of the TAAS test. Drill and practice for the TAAS are no substitute for a solid, broad education. We believe instead that the simple but effective key to eliminating social promotion is to back up our teachers when they conclude that students have not mastered the subject matter of their course or grade level. But we welcome the opportunity to work with the governor on exactly how to implement an end to the fraudulent practice of social promotion. We are glad meanwhile to have the governor's agreement that this practice must end.

Sincerely,  
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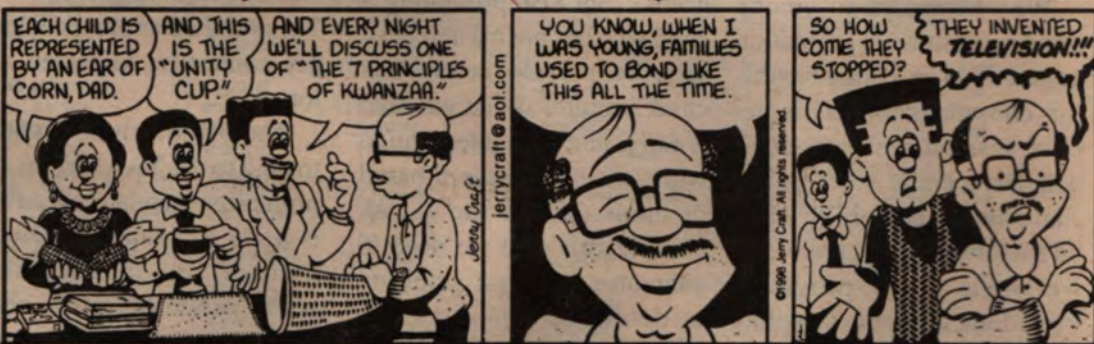
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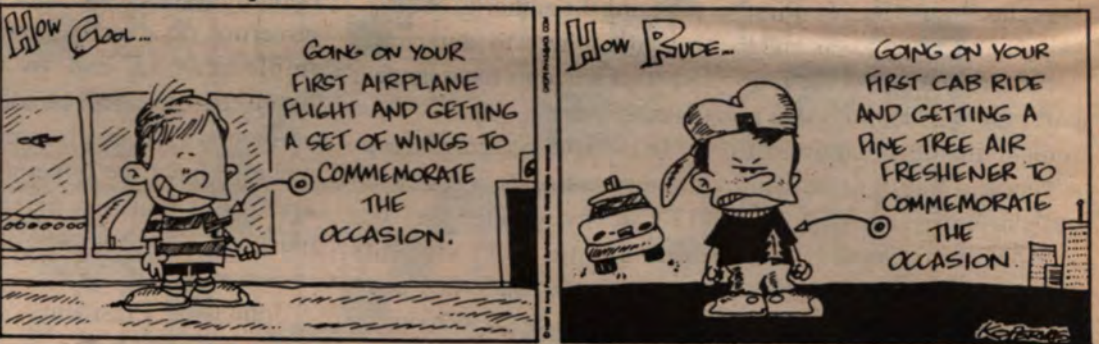


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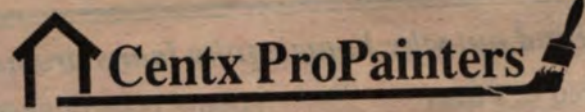
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new names and create new tactics.

Actually, our younger citizens may relish taking on the cruder element we have in our midst who traditionally have moved all community battles to the gutter level of anonymous letters and character assassination.

### SPRING ELECTIONS

This is election year so any set of long range forecasting would be incomplete without a guess or two concerning the outcomes of the various campaigns, some of which are already underway.

At the state level, we continue to predict that Governor George Bush will win his party's reelection nomination and go on to defeat Garry Mauro in the fall with a 65 percent landslide.

Further, we believe that George the Younger will stay in office for the full four year term and then take time off to prepare for a presidential run in 2004.

Also at the state level, we forecast a GOP win in all but one of the six top elective state jobs - that being the Lt. Governor's slot which we think will go to John Sharp after a bruising campaign following the party primaries.

We reach well into the fortune cookie bowl and see not only the Texas Senate - but the House of Representatives as well, falling to the Republicans in 1998, thus giving Lone Star Staters a GOP controlled legislature for the first time since reconstruction.

### LOCAL SOOTHSAYING

After talking with a number of "inside" folks at the county political level as well as confidential conversations with courthouse hacks on both sides of the political fence, concerning the future of Bell County politics, we will go way out on a weak limb and try to saw our way back to safety with the following premonitions:

First and foremost, with incumbent John Garth out of the running, we think that a Republican will win the County Judge race. It won't be retired general Stewart Meyer (R-Harker Heights) but

it will be a GOPer.

Reason behind this is the feeling that Democrats in the county just don't have anyone ready at this point in time that can win. They do have the possibles but no volunteers.

Not much danger in predicting the reelection of Chet Edwards (D-Waco) to Congress from our district. He has the campaign war chest; name identification; youth and has actually done enough good things in the district to warrant reelection. Particularly for the military, both active and retired.

The legislative race in House District 54, currently held by Suzanna Hupp (R-Lampasas) is a tough call.

She will breeze through the primary but then go up against Killeen Mayor Raul Villaronga, who is one tough campaigner, in the general election. This is a difficult battle to predict, but after the dust (or dirt) settles, our bet is that Hupp will win reelection mainly because voters have traditionally given first termers a second chance.

It will be almost too close to call right up to election day, but the gun-toting incumbent will prevail.

### COUNTY LEVEL WINNERS

Predicting the outcome of local races even before the field is complete is a true test of the political portender. So many things can change at the last minute - especially the minds of voters.

There does not seem to be much need to predict the swing to conservatism in Bell County - that has already taken place.

The only question is how far up and down the ballot the GOPs will prevail.

Turning to the matter of the lone Democratic Commish on the Bell County Commissioner's Court - Royce Matkin, who has signed up to make the run for reelection.

He will face Horace Grace in the Demo primary unless Grace drops out to run for County Judge in which case you can write "the end" to Horace's fledgling elective outing.

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We think that Matkin will win but only by a hair because voters may want at least one Democratic voice inside the county commissioner's GOP tent.

Also predict that Don Svadlenak from over in Holland will win reelection as Justice of the Peace for our precinct.

Don is a Demo, but well thought of in GOP-heavy Salado (where the votes are located) and should win handily.

### PENULTIMATELY

Finally, as we near the conclusion of this fun type end-of-the-year writing task, we don't need a shot of clairvoyance to know for a fact that no matter what takes place in or around Salado during the coming year - the same good folks, who always carry the ball in community activities, will continue in 1998.

Same tried and true volunteers will also do their thing. The schools, churches, civic groups and businesses will "keep-on-keeping-on" and as a result Salado will remain a neat place in which to live.

That is one set of predictions that no one can resent or challenge. For those who make things hum we say thanks. For those who don't - we offer the old adage that "If you won't work at making things better - then get out of the way and let those who will, do so unimpeded".

Oh yes, and what about our Do-No-Gooders in 1998? Read on as we conclude our 1997 "Off The Record".

### DNGers PREDICT & PLOT

The Salado branch of the International Order of Do-No-Gooders who meet, (as you have previously been warned), with alarming regularity at the Stagecoach Coffee Shop, wanted to get into this sooth-saying column before the end of the year - which unfortunately is upon us today.

The DNGers announced, just this week, the formation of a subgroup strangely titled "The Anti-Hectic-Pacer Committee" and from this gabble of puzzlers has come A PREDICTION and subsequent plan, concerning the bubble bursting effect of the year 2000 on computers that control America.

These fuzzy thinkers have presaged that as things come to a screeching halt when all computers shut down, there will be an immediate demand for pen and ink sets.

The DNG-slowdowners plan to corner the market on quills and ink bottles in hopes of making mega-bucks

And That's -30- For This Year!



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*Ribbons cut on businesses,  
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# Baylor College of Medicine gives tips for healthy traveling

The following travel health briefs are offered by the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

### Swallowing can alleviate kids' ear problems when flying

Just like adults, children can experience ear problems on airplanes.

Frequent swallowing can help alleviate ear pressure, said Dr. Ellen M. Friedman, an otorhinolaryngologist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

One way to accomplish that is to bottle- or breast-feed infants, especially during take-offs and landings, Friedman said, or stimulate swallowing by placing drops of water on the infant's tongue. Using decongestant nasal drops or sprays 20 minutes before taking off and 20 minutes before landing will often decrease ear pain, too.

For small children, drinking liquids or chewing on snack foods can help.

"But avoid giving them hard candy or gum," Friedman said. "Unexpected turbulence can cause the child to choke."

### Travelers with lung problems should be cautious

HOUSTON—If you're a traveler with pulmonary problems who uses supplemental oxygen, be sure there is an oxygen supply at each destination.

Another important tip: Find out in advance how much walking, climbing and high-altitude exposure there will be on the trip.

"It's also advisable to avoid areas with severe pollution, especially if you would be outside for long periods of time," said Dr. Wayne J. Riley, director of the Travel Medicine Ser-

vice at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

You should also consult with your physician to determine if air travel will jeopardize your oxygen requirements, Riley said, and be sure to carry sufficient quantities of medications and inhalers.

### Get vaccinated for 'childhood' diseases before going overseas

If you have no immunity to measles, mumps and rubella, get vaccinated before heading overseas.

That's because you are at higher risk for contracting these diseases in overseas areas that do not have health standards similar to those of the U.S. and Canada, said Dr. Wayne J. Riley, director of the Travel Medicine Service at Houston's Baylor College of Medicine.

Riley said people born during or after 1957 who have not had measles, mumps or rubella should have received two doses of MMR vaccine in their lifetimes to be considered immune.

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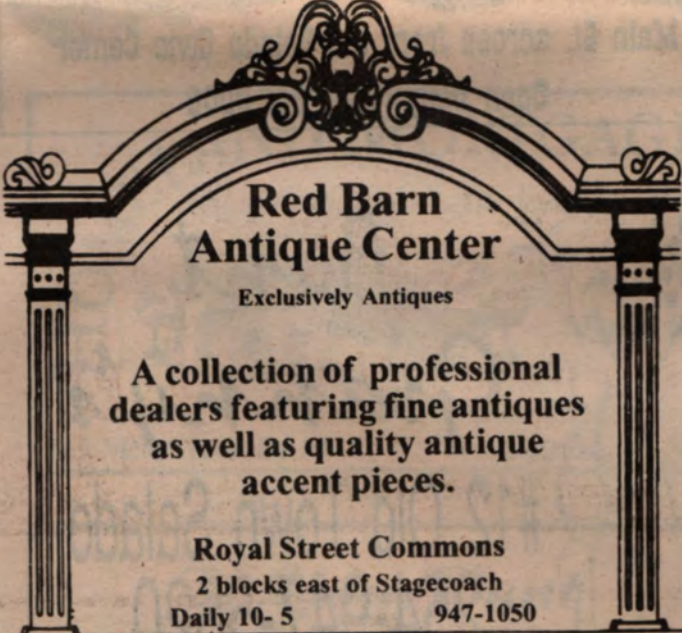
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# Gov. George W. Bush proclaims January as School Board Recognition Month

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"Local control of our schools with an emphasis on academic excellence provides the best way to educate the young people of Texas. For more than 200 years, local school boards have ensured that local residents control and are accountable for their schools," he said.

"Elected school board members set policy and guide local schools in accordance to the will of the people. With our schools confronting new technology-driven challenges and more opportunities, school boards play an integral role in our children's schooling. Cooperation between parents of schoolchildren and school boards has become vital in determining the direction of education in Texas," Bush said.

"I encourage all Texans to recognize school boards' contributions to education and to work with teachers and local school boards to help our children build a bright future for themselves and for the Lone Star State," he said.

"School board members serve as advocates for our children first and foremost, protecting each child's opportunity to develop his or her potential. They offer vision, knowledge, leadership, and time, and work purely for the common good. It is important to recognize the many contributions made by our locally elected school board members and support them as they tackle the demanding task of educating our children," said James B. Crow, executive director of the Texas Association of School Boards.

"Local trustees work with community leaders, families, and educators to develop sound educational policies in their districts. They help us to set high standards in the educational system and encourage us to strive to reach those

goals. The results of this cooperative effort are reflected in a generation of Texas children who are more prepared to be our nation's leaders," he said.

"Today schools face great challenges and great opportunities, and the school board's role is more critical than ever before. We hope every community will acknowledge the thousands of trustees, and particularly their local school board members, who make the time to care about Texas children and their futures," Crow said.

TASB is a voluntary, non-profit organization established nearly 50 years ago to serve local Texas school districts. It includes 1,047 school districts and county school boards, 44 junior colleges, 54 tax appraisal districts, 151 cooperatives, and 20 education service centers. School board members are the largest group of publicly elected officials in the state. The districts they represent have a combined annual budget of \$20 billion and employ more than 450,000 people.

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## Area students named to TC dean's lists

Four students from Salado were named to the Dean's List at Temple College in recognition of high academic achievement for the 1997 fall session.

They are Emily C. Kuykendall, Kristina A. Steward, Bethany N. Stout and Lisa R. Wigley.

Kristy L. Decker of Holland also made the Dean's List.

To make the Dean's List, a student must be taking nine semester hours and have a grade point average of at least 3.5.

Courtney S. Rainer and Kevin P. Zajicek of Holland were named to the Dean's Honor List, which requires a grade point average of at least 4.0 with at least nine semester hours.

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Tickets are \$14.50 for adults, \$12.50 for children 12 and under and seniors 60 and over, and \$10.50 for groups of 15 or more. All tickets include a service charge.

1997 represents the 28th Anniversary season of "The Wonderful World of Horses" with a special salute to the world famous Spanish Riding School of Vienna, entitled "A Symphony In White."

All new music, choreography and routines have been incorporated in this anniversary edition with a major emphasis on the historical background and foundation of the Lipizzaner breed, from its original breeding and use as a horse of war to a horse of nobility and aristocracy, to a living form of equestrian art. The show emulates the Spanish

Riding School of Vienna, in its presentation of Lipizzans, and maintains a traditional as well as entertaining performance similar in many ways to what you would see at the Spanish Riding School of Vienna.

Also included in the performance is a segment called the "Airs Above The Ground." These are the spectacular leaps and maneuvers, once used by riders in saddle to protect and defend themselves on the battlefield, which are now preserved as an equestrian work of art. When you see the

Lipizzans perform, it is like stepping back 400 years and viewing one of the greatest equine ballets in history.

Lipizzan is a rare and unique breed; its history and culture is known worldwide. The Walt Disney movie "The Miracle of the White Stallions," depicting Gen. George S. Patton saving them at the end of World War II from certain extinction, created an even greater worldwide interest in the Lipizzaner breed. Had it not been for Patton, there would be no Lipizzans today.

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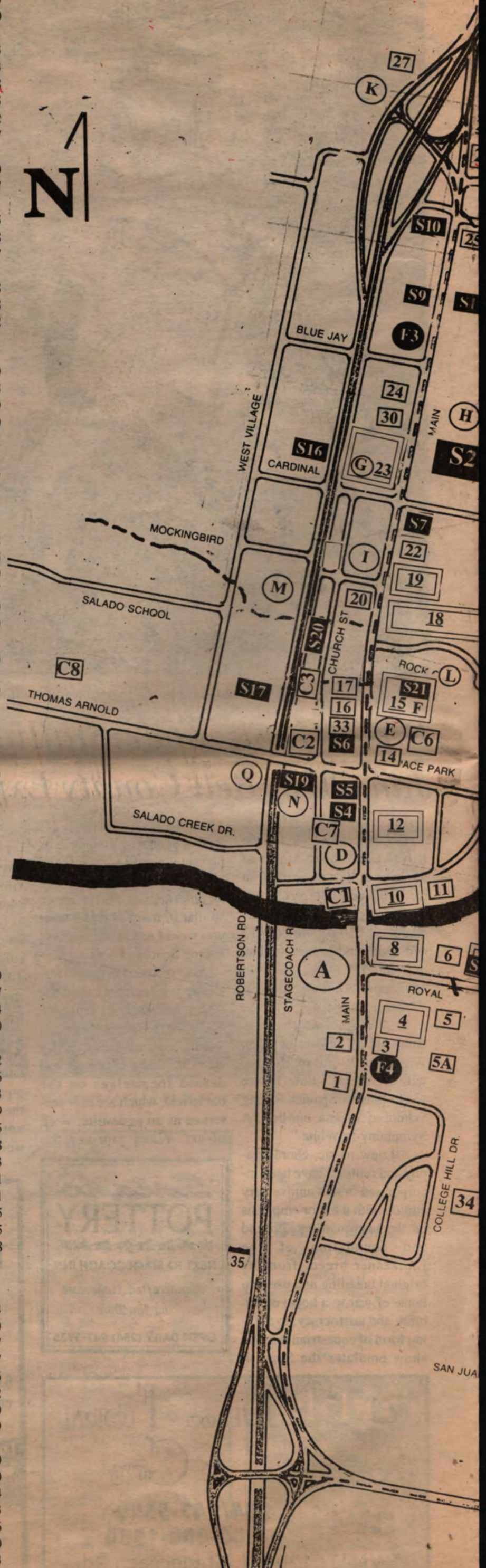
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| Sweet Nut Things                     | Shady Villa on Main St.             | 254/947-8088 |
| 5. The Dusty Rose                    | Royal St.                           | 254/947-9215 |
| 5A. Peddlers Alley                   | Behind Museum off Main              | 254/947-9722 |
| 6. Spring House Antiques             | Royal St.                           | 254/947-0747 |
| 7. <b>ROYAL STREET COMMONS</b>       | Royal St. & Center Circle           |              |
| Red Barn Antique Mall                | Royal St. Commons                   | 254/947-1050 |
| Antiques Urns & Ferns                | Royal St. Commons                   | 254/947-5827 |
| 8. <b>ONE ROYAL</b>                  | Royal St. at Main                   |              |
| Grace Jones                          | One Royal                           | 254/947-5555 |
| The Royal Emporium                   | Main & Royal                        | 254/947-5718 |
| 9. Wishing Well Antiques & Things    | 300 Baines St.                      | 254/947-1997 |
| 10. <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 |
| Janet's Unique Boutique & Food Court | Old Mill Plaza                      | 254/702-2022 |
| 11. The Christmas Shop               | Green House on the Creek            | 254/947-5561 |
| 12. <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 |
| 14. Christy's of Salado              | 300 Main St.                        | 254/947-0561 |
| 15. <b>SALADO SQUARE</b>             | Main St.                            |              |
| Magnolia's on the Square             | Salado Square on Main St.           | 254/947-0323 |
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| CIO (a unique ladies boutique)       | Salado Square                       | 254/947-0322 |
| Main Street Place                    | Salado Square                       | 254/947-9908 |
| Another Day                          | Salado Square                       | 254/947-0300 |
| Barnhill-Britt Furniture             | Salado Square                       | 254/947-3277 |
| 16. Village Boutique                 | N. Main St.                         | 254/947-9100 |
| 17. Pink Rose Tea Room & Gift Shop   | N. Main St.                         | 254/947-9110 |
| 18. <b>SHOPS ON ROCK CREEK</b>       | Main St. at Rock Creek Dr.          |              |
| Sir Wigglesworth                     | Main at Rock Creek                  | 254/947-8846 |
| Horsefeathers                        | #2 Rock Creek                       | 254/947-3203 |
| Somewhere in Time                    | #3 Rock Creek                       | 254/947-4609 |
| 19. <b>THE COLONY</b>                | North Main St                       |              |
| The Royal Salamander                 | 221 N. Main St.                     | 254/947-1772 |
| Lady's Tee Box                       | 227 N. Main St.                     | 254/947-5597 |
| & Lady Ethel's Gifts                 | 229 N. Main St.                     | 254/947-3300 |
| 20. Heirlooms Shopping Center        | N. Main & Blacksmith                | 254/947-0336 |
| 22. Hutchens House                   | N. Main St.                         | 254/947-2547 |
| Book Winkel                          | N. Main St.                         | 254/947-3866 |
| 23. <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 |
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| 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 |
| a sterling gallery                   | Old Town Salado                     | 254/947-4588 |
| 24. Salado Antique Mall              | N. Main St.                         | 254/947-1010 |
| The Little Tin Hutch                 | N. Main St.                         | 254/947-5537 |
| 25. Fletcher's Books & Antiques      | N. Main St.                         | 254/947-5414 |
| 26. Olde Fowler House Antiques       | N. Main St.                         | 254/947-0710 |
| 27. Robertson's Hams                 |                                     |              |
| & The Choppin' Block                 | I-35, Exit 285                      | 254/947-5562 |
| 28. Hill Country Cottage Gardens     | 152 Blackberry Road                 | 254/947-0416 |
| 29. glass coins                      | 1209 N. Stagecoach Rd.              | 254/947-4423 |
| glass floral                         | 1209 N. Stagecoach Rd.              | 254/947-5529 |
| 30. Bayberry's on Main               | 400 N. Main St.                     | 254/947-3625 |
| 31. Elise & Co.                      | #17 Salado Plaza Dr.                | 254/947-1068 |
| 32. Morning Glory Farm               | West Amity Rd.                      | 254/947-5673 |
| 33. The Village Potter               | N. Main St.                         | 254/947-0281 |
| Salado Cigar Company                 | N. Main St.                         | 254/947-0281 |
| 34. The Chicken Ranch                | College Hill                        | 254/947-3455 |
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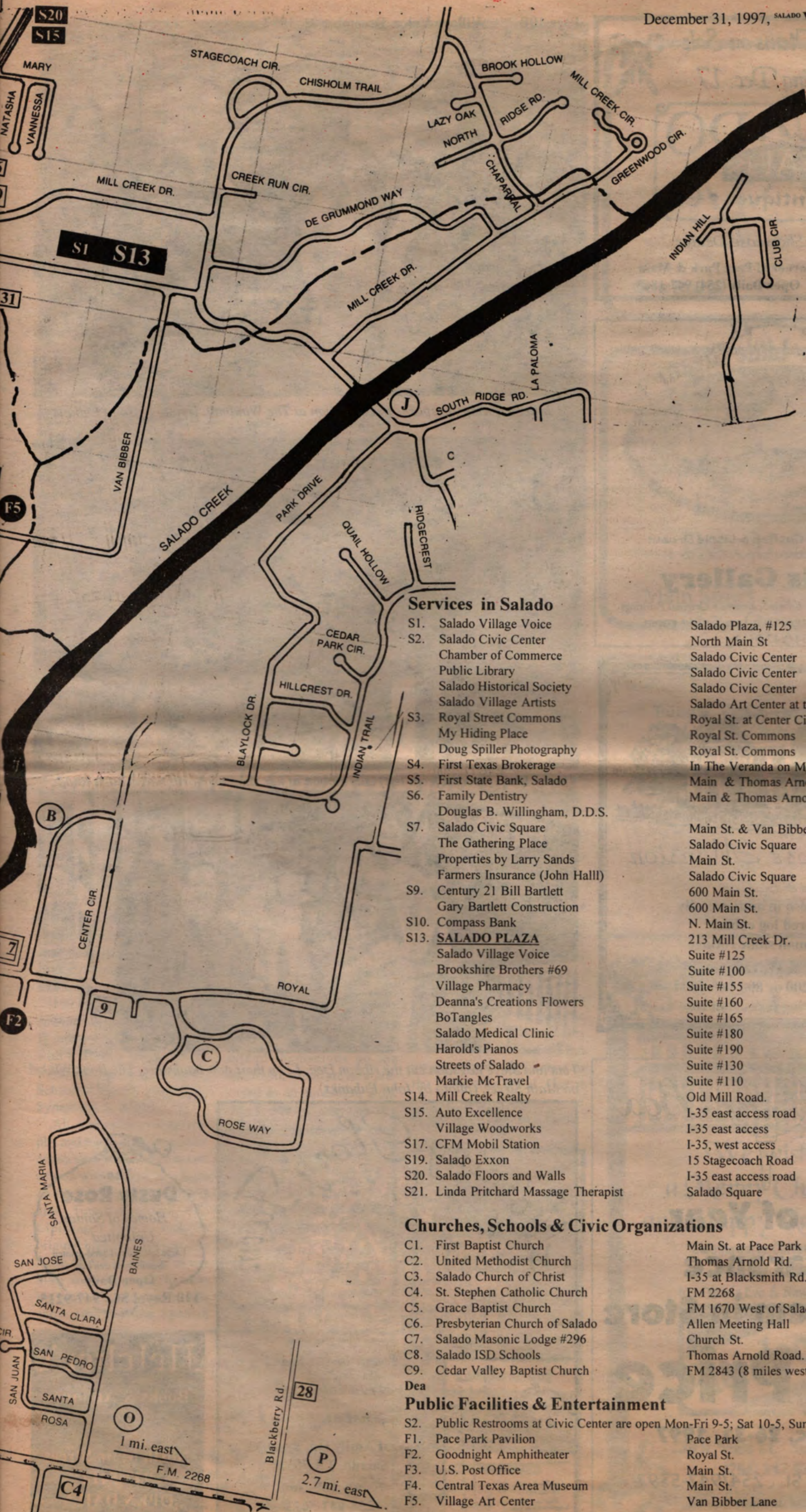
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| A. Stagecoach Inn                           | I-35 exits 283, 284       | 254/947-5111 |
| B. Inn on the Creek                         | Center Circle             | 254/947-5554 |
| C. The Rose Mansion                         | One Rose Way              | 254/947-8200 |
| D. The Salado Mansion                       | Main St.                  | 254/947-5157 |
| E. The Inn at Salado                        | Main St.                  | 254/947-0027 |
| F. Browning's Courtyard Cafe                | Salado Square             | 254/947-8666 |
| G. Cathy's Boardwalk Cafe                   | Old Town Salado           | 254/947-8162 |
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| J. Mill Creek Country Club                  | Old Mill Rd.              | 254/947-5141 |
| K. Cowboy's Barbecue                        | I-35, west side           | 254/947-5700 |
| N. Salado Burger King                       | 15 Stagecoach Rd.         | 254/947-8060 |
| O. Brambley Hedge Bed & Breakfast           | 1 mile east on FM 2268    | 254/947-1914 |
| P. Country Place Bed & Breakfast            | 2.7 miles east on FM 2268 | 254/947-9683 |
| Q. Dairy Queen                              | I-35 at Thomas Arnold     | 254/947-5406 |
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| 18. The Old Granary                         | Rock Creek Dr.            | 254/947-9683 |



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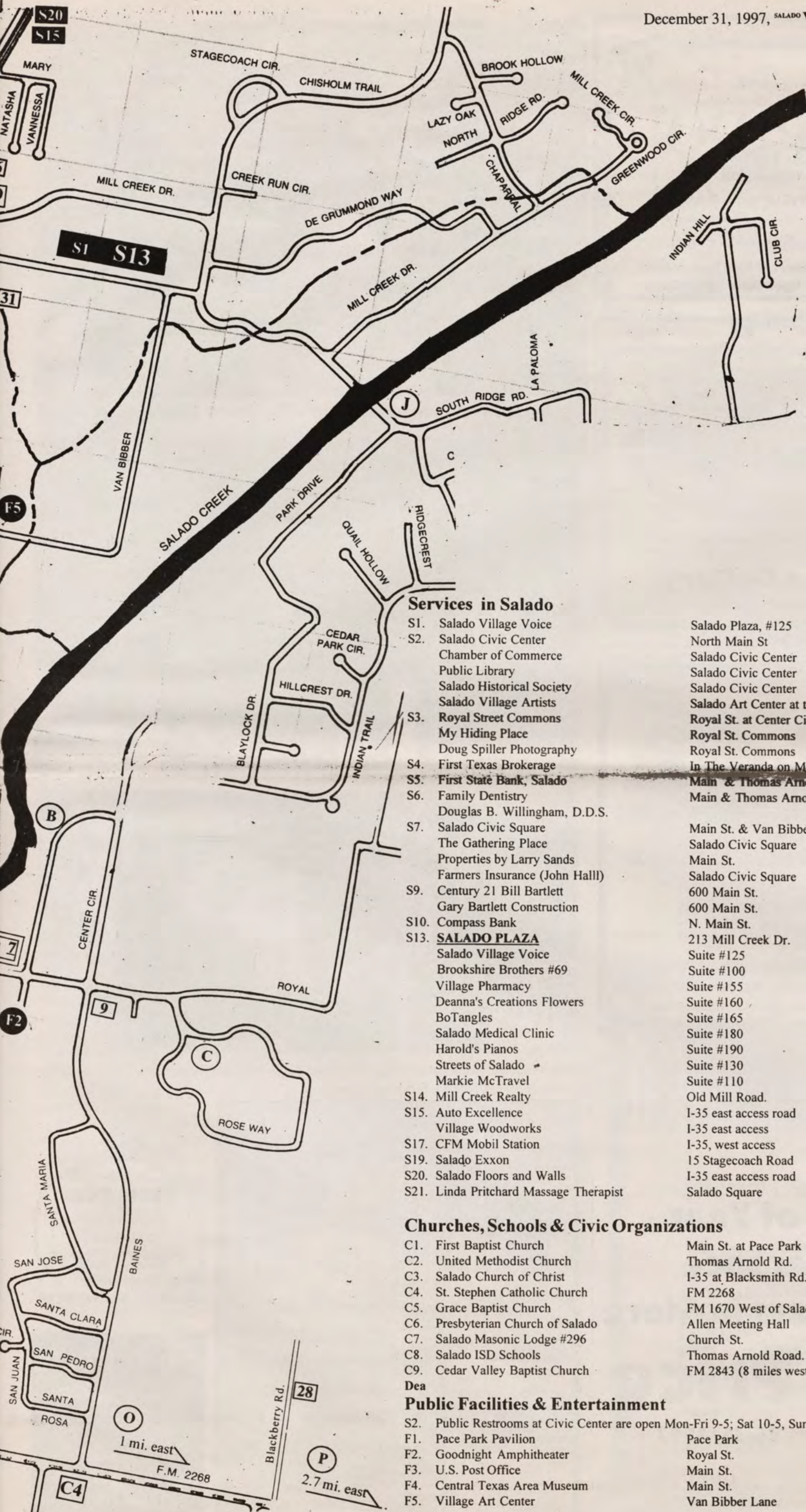
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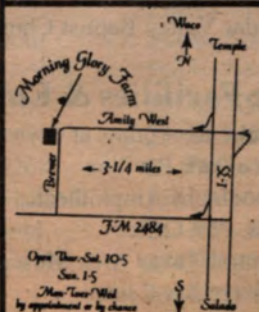
Tina and Steve Logsdon cut the ribbon Dec. 12 on their new bookstore, The Book Winkel on Main Street. (photo by John Eubanks)



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# Dry summer, fall causes poor winter pasture

by James M. Davis  
Co. Ext. Agent

The dry weather across much of Central Texas in July, August, September, October and much of November resulted in poor winter pastures for cattlemen. The lack of small grain and ryegrass growth has made many cow-calf operators rely on hay and supplemental feeds for their cow herds. Fortunately, the hay crop produced in the first half of 1997 was very good, resulting in plentiful and economical hay supplies.

The unpredictability of winter pastures, especially overseeded pastures, brings up a good question. Would cow-calf operators be better off feeding hay and supplemental feeds during the winter rather than invest their money in seed, equipment, fertilizer and other expenses associated with trying to establish winter pastures?

Buying hay, not inter-seeding small grains into pastures, may be the less expensive way to overwinter cows, according to an economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"We've found that under current East Texas conditions, stockpiling hay and supplemental feeds is the more cost effective alternative," said Dr. Greg Clary, a scheduled speaker at the upcoming 1998 Blacklands Income Growth (B.I.G.) Conference, Jan. 13 at

the Waco Convention Center. Though based on an East Texas economic analysis, Clary contended that with minor adjustments to local hay prices and winter pasture production costs, the budget should hold true for much of the state, including the Blacklands region.

"For East Texas, the break-even point comes when good quality hay is about \$55 per ton, and that's assuming that producers get adequate winter moisture and realize a full 150-day season of winter pasture production. There's a lot of risk associated with growing winter pastures," Clary said.

With less than ideal rainfall, the 150 days of production can be drastically reduced, thereby dramatically raising the cost of winter pasture production per animal unit, Clary noted.

"Many producers don't realize what it actually costs them some years to feed cows with winter pastures," Clary said.

To help producers determine whether winter pasture pays for them, Clary has put together a worksheet and made a spreadsheet template available in Excel or Lotus 123. He'll have hard copies of the paper worksheet and diskettes containing the spreadsheet templates available at the time of his B.I.G. presentation.

In other beef cattle news, workers in Arkansas, Louisiana, and South Carolina collaborated on a study to assess effects of changes in body con-

dition score (BCS) during the last three months of pregnancy. Some 250 mature cows were involved over a three year period. Three months before calving, study groups averaged 3.6, 5.5, or 11.1 in BCS. By manipulation of nutrition, groups averaged 5.0, 5.1 and 5.0 BCS at calving. The groups did not differ in calf birth weight, return to estrus, pregnancy rate, days to rebreeding, or calf weaning weight. Whether they gain or lose weight to get there, cows should be in at least moderate condition (BCS) at calving for acceptable performance.

For people not familiar with body condition score a 3 BCS would be thin, a 5 BCS would have enough fat that the last ribs are not visible and 7 BCS would have abundant fat cover on either side of tail head with some patchiness. A complete chart of BCS is available from the County Extension Office. Ask for bulletin 1526, "Body Condition, Nutrition and Reproduction of Beef Cows."

The Central Texas Cow-Calf Clinic will be held at the Milano Livestock Exchange on January 9. This year's program will include live cattle evaluations, matching bulls to cow herds, purchasing vs. raising replacement females, valued added calves, managing forages for higher weaning weights, and chute side manners while working cattle. More details on the cow-calf clinic will be forthcoming.

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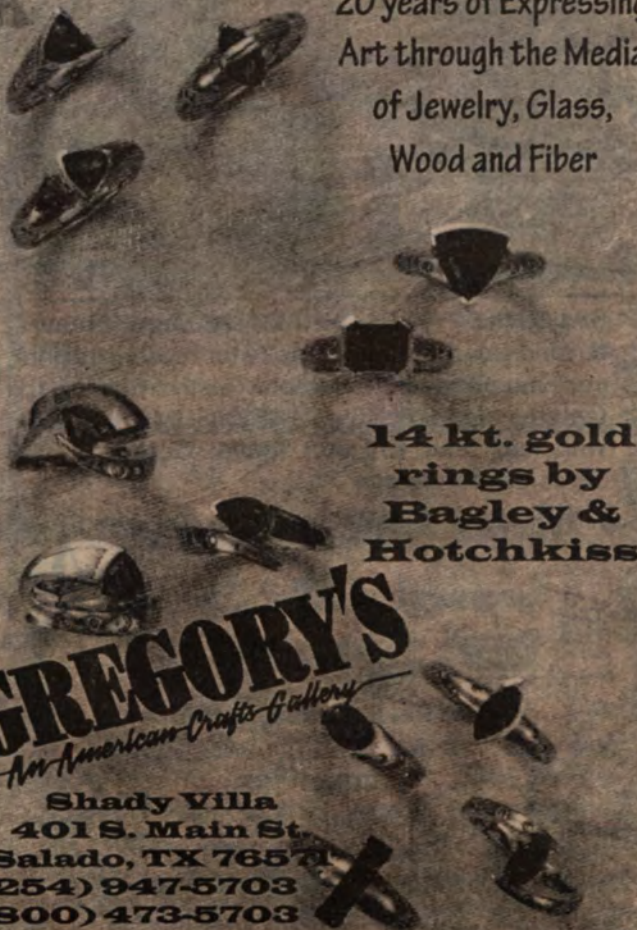
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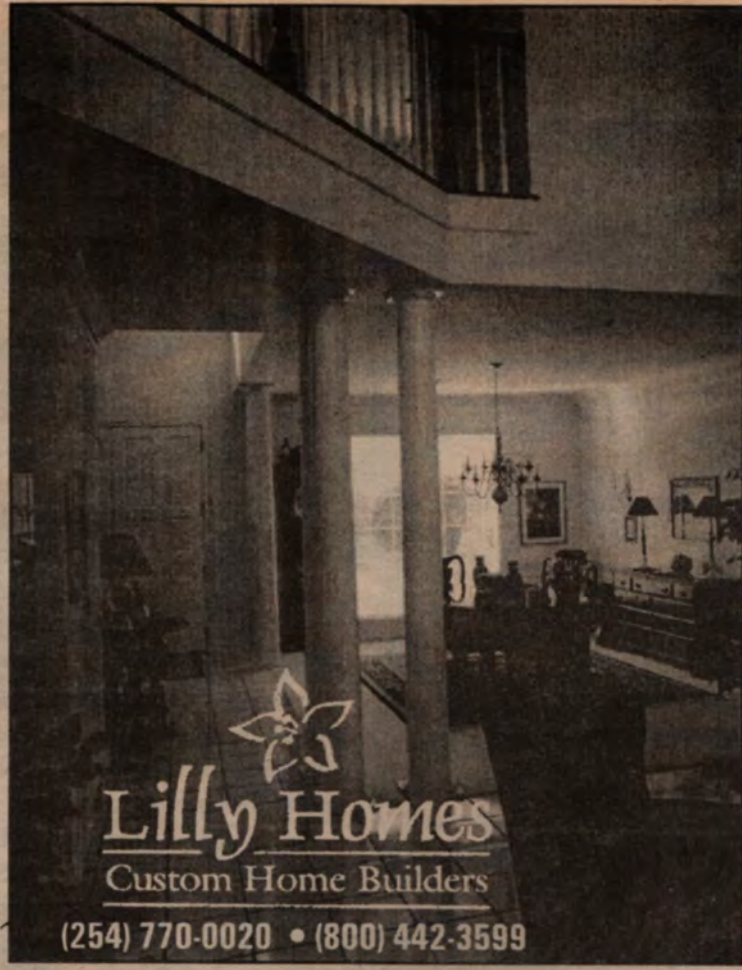


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## Poaching affects all outdoorsmen

by Keith Warren  
Texas Angler

This week I would like to address a problem that is affecting all outdoorsmen. This problem is poaching.

Poaching is the taking of game or fish by illegal means or over the set possession limit. Besides land development and pollution, poaching is the number one problem facing fish and game today.

Game management programs are hard to implement when poachers kill indiscriminately throughout the year. Bag limits in many areas would be more liberal if it weren't for illegal practices of a few.

The worst aspect of poaching is that it steals from other sportsmen. When someone illegally nets a bunch of redfish or white bass, they are taking those fish from other sportsmen. When someone shoots that big whitetail buck out of season, they are stealing from other hard-working hunters and eventually themselves. That buck could have fathered a number of outstanding offspring that could have been taken by law-abiding hunters.

On top of all this, poachers ruin the reputation of all hunters and fishermen. Hunters especially are under strong scrutiny by activist groups. The image of the "slob hunter" that is portrayed by activist groups is only reinforced by the actions of poachers. If all hunters conducted themselves in a legal, ethical manner, then it would be more difficult for those groups to obtain public support. Even more importantly, it may be easier to convince these people that hunters do more to help wildlife than to hurt it.

Help the cause of game wardens by turning in poachers. Operation Game Thief is set up just for that purpose. The number is toll-free 1-800-792-GAME. You can remain anonymous and will be eligible for a cash reward if a conviction is made.

Our wildlife is a resource that we should be proud of and take time and effort to conserve. Turning in poachers is just one of the things that we can do to protect it.

Keith Warren is the Host of *The Texas Angler Television Show*, which broadcasts statewide. Check local listings for showtimes. You can also watch Keith Warren on Fox Sports Southwest Cable Network on Sunday mornings at 8:30 a.m. CST. You can reach the Texas Angler at P.O. Box 310601, New Braunfels, TX 78131-0601, or visit them on-line at [www.texasangler.com](http://www.texasangler.com).

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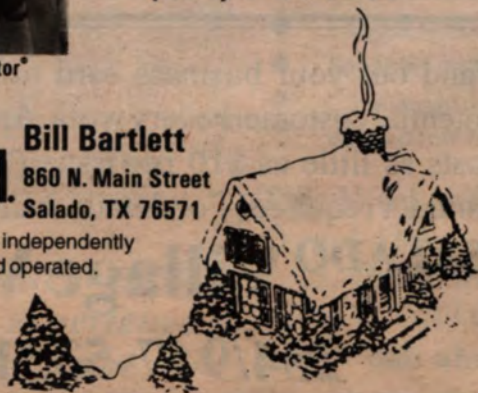
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## Ag census forms will soon appear

Report forms for the 1997 Census of Agriculture will soon appear in the mailboxes of farmers and ranchers across the country, and Bob Stallman, president of the Texas Farm Bureau, encourages Texas producers to participate.

"Ag Census forms have been mailed to more than 295,000 individual producers statewide," said Stallman. "The 1997 Census will provide a detailed picture of the changes in agriculture since the last Census in 1992."

The current Census will focus on the number of farms in the United States, farm size, operator characteristics, crop and livestock production, agricultural product sales, and production expenses of farmers and ranchers.

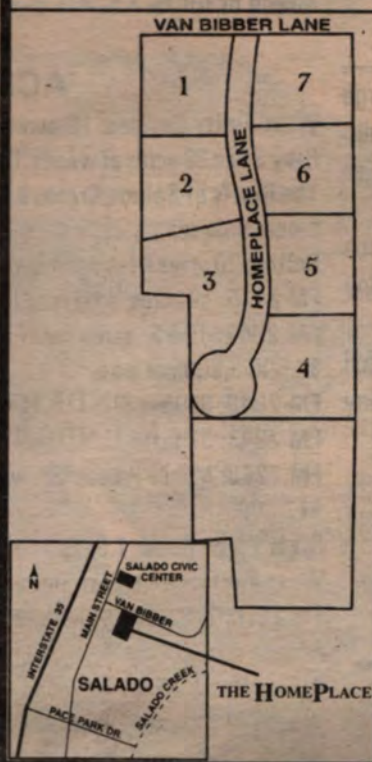
"All answers provided in the Census are considered confidential and will be used only for statistical purposes."

Completed forms should be mailed back by February 2, 1998 in the postage-paid envelopes provided. Farmers and ranchers who do not respond by February 2 will receive follow-up letters and phone calls reminding them to report.

Farmers and ranchers can receive more information by calling a toll-free number, 1-888-4AG-STAT.



## Watch for Our Open House Sign during the Holiday Season



# THE HOME PLACE

**N**estled on a tree-covered knoll in Salado's Historical District, **THE HOME PLACE** represent the much sought-after lifestyle of yesteryear. A winding lane meanders around large live oaks to a dry creek crossing. Its character reflects a day in history where people shared time together on front porches. Only a short walk away is excellent shopping, art galleries and dining, giving a reflection of Salado's past.

**THE HOME PLACE** will reflect proportions, detailing and simplicity of true classical architectural styles. "Something old, something new" literally comes to life as treasures from historic homes are blended in harmony with new construction. The best of yesterday . . . built better today.

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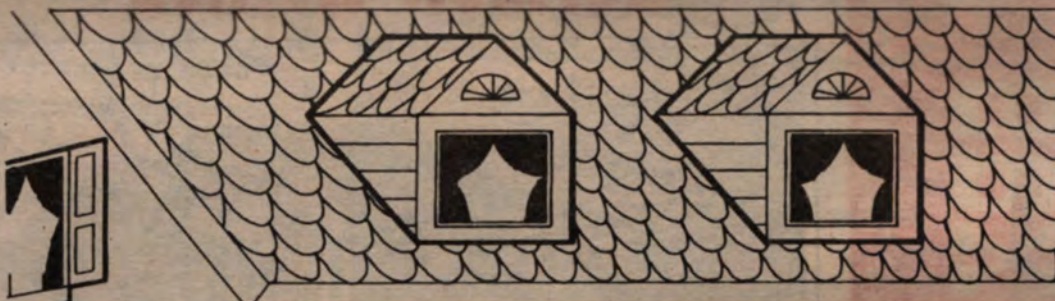
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2BR/1BA in Downtown Bartlett has undergone extensive renovation. \$52,500.  
3BR/2BA Belton home on nice lot in good neighborhood. \$59,900.  
Aluminum siding, tin roof on recently remodeled home. 2BR/1BA on 1.505 ac. Great for first home or investment rental property. \$59,950.  
**New Listing: A super buy!** Large family room, WBFP and built-in bookshelves. Very nice home near Stillhouse Lake for only \$89,800.  
**Ten acres with Texas ranch-style Austin home!** 3BR/2BA, trees. Garage with workshop space, out-building. Only \$104,900.  
**A place for your growing family!** Garden spot and sunroom on wooded 1.6 acres. 4BR/2BA. ~~\$97,500~~. Reduced to \$91,000.  
4BR/2BA on 1.99 beautiful acres in the Woods of Salado. A great family home freshly painted. \$108,000.  
**New listing on FM 2484**, 22+ acres of oaks, 2 barns, corral, fenced, 3BR/2BA mobile home. Great for horses. Extra septic tank and electric system. \$115,000.  
**New 3BR/2BA home on large lot in Wild Rose Subdivision.** Easy access to I-35. \$124,500.  
Covered patio, garden area, 2 wells, and fruit trees. 3 1/2 plus carport & septic for RV. Formal LR & Den. Only \$131,000.  
**New Listing:** A great family-oriented floorplan in Mill Creek. Parquet floors, open kitchen, large deck. 2 car plus golf cart garage. \$134,800.  
3BR/2 1/2 BA on 14th Fairway in Mill Creek. Interior recently painted. Split-level home. Great view of golf course from Living/Dining Room. \$135,000.  
Old farm house on 6 acres of oak trees on the banks of Salado Creek. \$141,000.  
Elegant finishing touches throughout this Mill Creek home! Built in 1996, features marble entry, 3-sided fireplace, alarm, formal DR. \$144,800.  
Hardwood floors. Cozy den with French doors to private deck. Large Master bedroom with office. Majestic live oaks. \$149,900.  
**Welcome to easy living.** View of golf course. Sunroom views driving range and #5 Fairway. Monthly maintenance fee relieves you of yardwork. \$159,000.  
5BR/3BA with workshop & apartment. On 1+ acre near Salado. \$159,000.  
Lovely custom home. 3BR/3BA. Special home in Mill Creek. \$165,000.  
Large 5BR/4BA home on an acre of trees on Royal. \$179,500.  
Great corner lot in Mill Creek. Over 4,000 SF. 3BR/2 1/2 BA, office, formal dining & sun room. \$225,000.  
Scenic view of Stillhouse Lake. Great suite has own kitchen & living room. Total of 3BR/3 1/2 BA on 6.11 acres. Swimming pool, hot tub, and fountain. \$298,500.  
Custom home in Mill Creek. Formal Dining & Living. Two fireplaces. \$309,000.  
**Many extras in this custom-built large home on beautifully landscaped lot in Royal Oaks.** Well for outside watering. \$329,000.  
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*Happy New Year!*



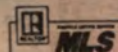
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## RESIDENTIAL LISTINGS



**\$162,500:** One of the best golf course views in Mill Creek. The #18 tee box hosts this newly decorated 3-2-1/2 townhouse. Hardwood floors, new wallpaper and paint. Home owner's fee maintains lawn.

**\$215,000:** Quiet cul-de-sac with spectacular view of Mill Creek #16 green. Large 3-2-1/2-3 stone with open floorplan. Great master suite, hardwood floors and built-ins. Exit to deck from master suit **SOLD** area or breakfast room. Golf cart drive from house to course.

**\$214,900, Price reduced!** Country setting on almost 1 acre. 4/3/2 white stone with formal and informal living and dining. Spacious den with fireplace and many windows. Split bedrooms with beautiful master suite.

**\$194,800:** Custom built 3/2/2 on 1/2-acre lot with golf course frontage. Formal and informal dining, large den with pretty fireplace. Office with built-in. Many trees.

**\$170,000:** Horse ready! 10 acres with arena and stalls, wash area, tack room, equipment stalls and more. Large rustic 4-3 two-story with carport and covered porches, bonus rooms and more. Florence. A Must See!

**\$87,500:** Close to shopping, schools, hospitals and churches. 3-2-2 formal living and dining. Screened-in back porch, large fenced yard with trees. TEMPLE.

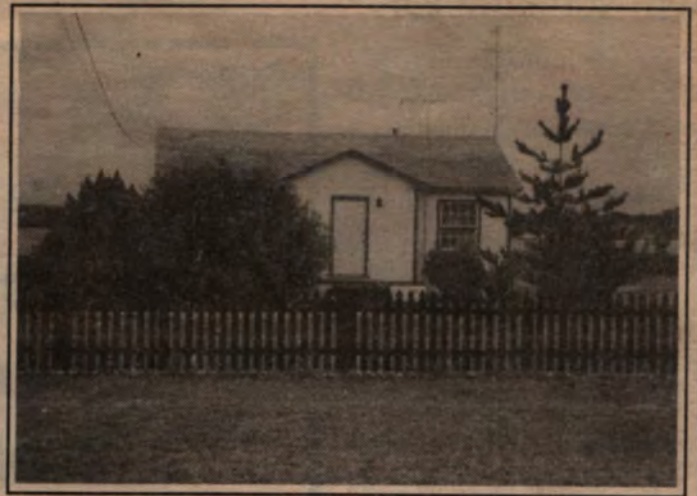
**\$74,000:** LOW, LOW utility bills due to EXTRA insulation on 3-2-2 on quiet cul-de-sac. Privacy fence and some handicapped features. TEMPLE.

Thinking of selling your property?  
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## Horizon Homes



**\$264,500: PRICE REDUCED!** Serene is the word for the feeling as you sit on the deck and watch the sun set. This 4/3/2 has all the upgrades. Split bedrooms, formal and informal living and dining. Hardwood floors, fireplace and terrific kitchen. Wonderful lot with many trees.



**\$52,000:** Located on one acre is this 2/1 frame. Picket fence, fruit trees, bluebonnets. Just off FM 2484 with easy access to Killeen or IH-35.

## ACREAGE

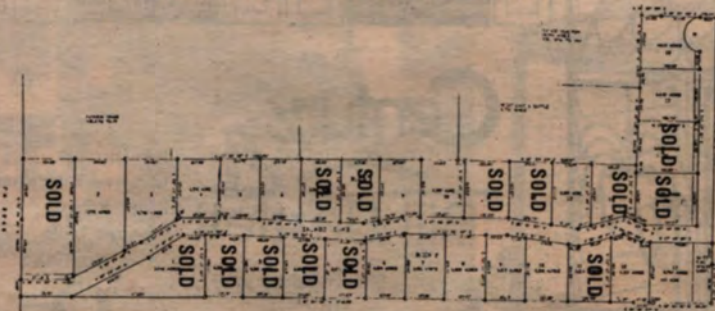
- West Amity Estates:** 10 acres with many trees. \$42,000.
- Hwy 317:** 26 acres of woods. Could divide, owner finance. \$129,900
- The Bluffs of Salado Creek.** Beautiful view of Salado Creek canyons. Owner finance.
- Belton:** 20 acres fronting Nolan Creek. Large live oak trees. \$119,000.
- FM 2115:** 19 acres, long road frontage, seasonal creek. \$2,200/acre.
- FM 2843:** 10-75 acres with trees and deer. Excellent home sites. \$2,500-3,500 per acre.
- FM 2843:** 30 acre **UNDER CONTRACT**
- FM 2843:** 37 acres **UNDER CONTRACT**
- FM 2268:** Mobile Homes allowed on this 4 acres. Owner financing, \$17,500.
- River Place Road:** 1.9 acres with river frontage. \$25,000.
- West Amity:** 1/2-acre lot. Ready to build. \$5,200. Last one available.
- FM 2115:** 178 acres with frame house, 2 barns, 2 stock tanks. Owner finance. \$275,000.
- Atkins Road:** 25 acres, good soil. Owner finance. \$1,350/acre.
- Woods of Salado:** 2 large lots with trees. \$25,000 each.
- Salado Springs:** 2 tracts facing FM 2484, \$15,000.
- Salado Springs:** 3 acres with many trees, \$20,000.
- Salado Springs:** 2 acres, \$17,500.
- Mill Creek:** Tree covered lot. \$25,000.
- Live Oak Estates:** 1.79 acres with beautiful trees. \$22,500.
- IH-35 & Rose Lane:** 38 acres with frontage on IH-35 and Rose Lane. Many trees and creek. \$250,000.
- Woods of Salado:** 3.8 acres with many trees, cantic and water meter. Property is ready for building. **UNDER CONTRACT** \$35,000.
- Florence/Andice Area:** Call Jan for information: 254/793-2597
- Woods of Salado:** 5 acres, panoramic view, woods. \$25,000.
- City lots,** sewer & water. For your duplex or home.
- 5 acres,** horses ready! Wooded with lovely homesite, \$43,500.
- 12.98 acres** with water & electricity. Many trees, can divide, \$6,000/acre.
- 1-1/2 acres and up.** Trees or cleared, with or without improvements.
- Killeen:** large lot overlooking Corp. land at Stillhouse Lake. Restricted. \$11,000.

## COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

- Mill Creek 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.

## Salado Oaks

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## The Bluffs at Salado Creek

