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Work starts here on I-35 Groundbreaking today

Construction on the expansion of I-35 through Salado, the southernmost project in the Waco District yet to be built, is scheduled to begin operations this week. The official groundbreaking event is set for 10 a.m. June 7 on the site of the old Super 8 Motel on the southbound-side frontage road.

City officials, along with representatives from Bell County and others, will join the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and James Construction Group of Belton in breaking ground on the project, which begins at FM 2843 on the south side of Salado and ends on the north side at FM 2484. The public is invited.

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West Point graduate home on leave in Salado

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Studying in the on-campus library, Josh Coleman spent many hours beneath giant portraits of Robert E. Lee and Ulysses S. Grant.

"If I got to bed before midnight, it was a good night," the newly-commissioned Second Lieutenant said of his four years at the United States Military Academy at West Point.

Coleman was one of just 932 graduates of West Point to receive their Bachelor of Science degrees May 26 from Vice President Joe Biden in a formal ceremony attended



Second Lieutenant Josh Coleman is shown with his dad Cliff Coleman after commencement for the United States Military Academy on May 26.

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Dog Daze: Pooch parade in Park June 9

The Salado Chamber of Commerce will host the first Dog Daze of Summer on June 9 at Pace Park. The show will be held 9 a.m.-noon and will feature many doggie geared activities on the grounds.

The Salado Chamber of Commerce is proud to introduce its first ever "Pace Park Pooch Parade" in Pace Park which will immediately follow the Fort Hood Canine Unit Demonstration.

There will be doggie related vendors, water, hot dogs and much more. A portion of the proceeds will go to the Wounded Warrior Canine Training Program.

The entry fee for the Dog Daze is \$1 per human. Parade registration is 9-10 a.m. and costs \$5 per parade entry. All

well behaved, vaccinated, leashed dogs are welcome. Please provide proof of rabies vaccination upon registration. There will be three prizes awarded after the parade: Smallest dog, largest dog and best dog costume. The parade will be around the Pace Park grounds, a short fun walk, so please leave the vehicles parked and walk or carry your pet.

You can preregister at any of these Event Sponsors: The Dog Spot, First State Bank-Central Texas (Salado), Salado Veterinary Clinic and First Community Title. *Salado Village Voice* is also a sponsor of the first Dog Daze of Summer.

For more information, visit www.salado.com or call 254-947-5040.

Aldermen discuss sewer at June 7 meeting

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Salado aldermen will discuss at their June 7 meeting possibilities for a sewer system to serve the downtown area.

The board will discuss the two possibilities during a workshop session at 4:30 p.m. and consider any action stemming from that discussion at their 6 p.m. regular meeting. Both meetings will be at the Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd.

After weighing several options stemming from multiple wastewater studies, aldermen will consider pursuing construction of its own sewer system to be built on a parcel of land on Mary Lane or partnering in some fashion with a development group that has been granted a wastewater permit by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).

Aldermen met in a

workshop session on May 31 to learn more about the two feasibilities, but took no action.

Terry Weaver represents a group that is proposing to build a 250-acre multi-use development that will include residential and retail. "We are going to move forward and build this plant," Weaver said. "If you do not want the added capacity, that will impact our decisions in going forward with the plant."

The group that will build The Highlands of Salado is expected to begin development of the residential part of the property in early 2013.

The Hanks family (who own the Rose Ranch where the proposed Highlands of Salado development will be built) has offered the Village options to consider tying in to the proposed sewer plant for that development.

Highlands Proposals

One proposal would be for the discharge permit approved by TCEQ for Salado Utility, Inc. with a capacity of 200,000 gallons per day (GPD) to be purchased by the Village of Salado at a price of \$200,000.

The permit could be revised to 125,000 GPD WWTP in order to lower the initial capital outlay.

The Village would then take responsibility for building and maintaining the waste water treatment plant (WWTP) in a timely manner with the residential and commercial development of The Highlands being end-users.

Another option would be for the Village to borrow \$1.75 million from the Hanks developers in order to build the 125,000 GPD WWTP with terms to be negotiated. The plant would be constructed on the TCEQ-approved location according to the

current permit issued to Salado Utility, Inc.

The \$1.75 million loan would cover the anticipated cost of the construction of the WWTP. It would not cover the cost of the delivery system to that plant.

The Village would be responsible for building the sewer lines to the western border of the Hanks property. The Village would also collect a capital recovery fee from end users to pay back the proposed \$1.75 million loan.

A third option would be for the Village to sign a contract with The Highlands of Salado to contract for up to 90,000 GPD capacity which the Village would then resell to end-users in the downtown area. The Village would assume the cost for the delivery system to the WWTP and pay the contract for the bulk amount to The Highlands of Salado.

"We do not want to go into the sewer business," Weaver said when asked by an alderman why the developer does not pursue a sewer franchise arrangement for the downtown area as well.

Weaver said that ultimately, The Highlands of Salado would like to sell the WWTP to the Village of Salado.

Aldermen did not discuss any details concerning contracts or commitments regarding the proposals.

Weaver told the board that the developers wanted an assurance that the Village was committed to pursuing an agreement so that it could consider the additional needs for capacity in the design phase of the WWTP.

Weaver said that when the development is completed that it will add \$400 million to the local ad valorem tax base.

The current Village of

Salado property tax base is approximately \$200 million.

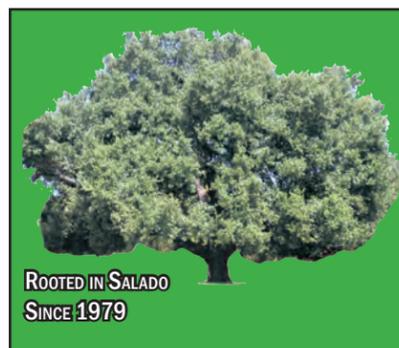
The effluent of The Highlands of Salado WWTP will be released into Smith Branch.

North Salado proposal

Mayor Danney McCort told aldermen that he has the beginnings of an agreement for property on Mary Lane to house a WWTP to be built by the Village. Properties to the north (including Best Western and Holiday Inn Express) have expressed interest in being annexed into the Village, particularly if a WWTP becomes available.

The affluent from the plant could be used to irrigate the Salado Youth Association fields (if an agreement with those managers could be attained). Treated effluent not disposed of by irrigation would be discharged

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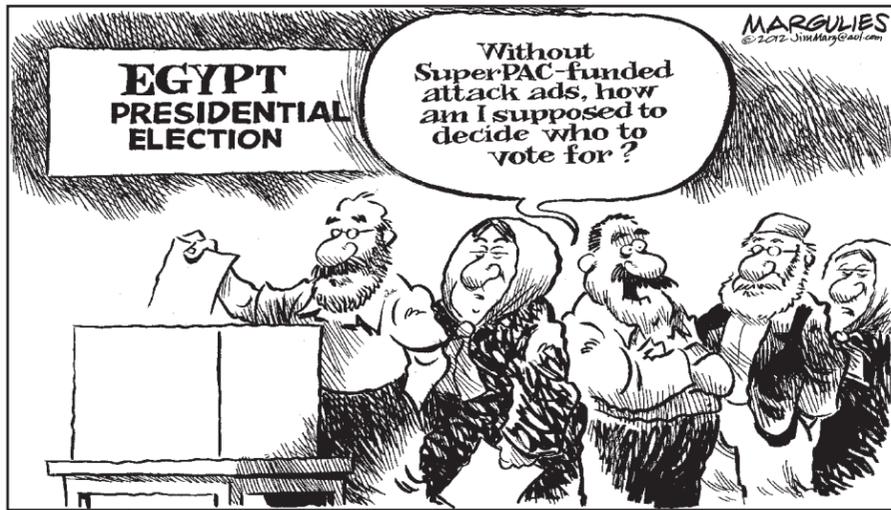
Public Hearings set in June

The Village of Salado government has received a variance request to the Noise Ordinance from the property owner at 425 Thomas Arnold Rd. The owner has asked to be allowed to extend the hours of operation for music to 12 a.m. on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. The variance request will be considered by the Zoning Board of Adjustment at a public hearing on Friday, June 15, 2012 at 4 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd. The ZBA will then make a recommendation to the Board of Aldermen at a public hearing on Thursday, June 21, 2012 at 6 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

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An Open Exchange of Ideas



Unleash Biden!

Joe Biden is performing a public service, God love him. Out on the stump, he renders the case for President Barack Obama's re-election in all its populist crudity.

No dulcet tones. No faux sophistication. No charm. C'mon, man! There's no time for that when Mitt Romney is descending on America promising to commit the most heinous acts in the history of vampire capitalism.

The Obama re-election campaign must make Romney, a mild-mannered man with a sterling business record and a center-right record as Massachusetts governor, into a fiendish apparition too risky to entrust with the highest office in the land. That entails over-the-top attacks delivered with a cocksure shamelessness and little regard for nuance or truth. *Vice President Biden reporting for duty, sir!*

Biden's willingness to say anything makes him the ideal attack dog. If the Obama team didn't have Joe Biden, it would have to invent someone as hyperbolic and overeager.

Vice President Biden may make many mistakes, but insufficient demagoguery will never be one of them. In a speech at a manufacturing facility in Ohio, he said that at Bain "Romney made sure the guys on top got to play by a separate set of rules, he ran massive debts, and the middle class lost." Then, he moved in for the kill: "So what do you think he'll do as president?" Q.E.D.

The likes of Biden never explain what they would have preferred to happen to the troubled businesses that attracted the attention of Bain. Simply go out of business without any attempt at a turnaround? Even Biden stipulates that he has no problem, as a general proposition, with private equity. If so, he shouldn't be shocked that some acquisitions turn out better than others.

Of course, Biden can't help but lend

Rich Lowry



an air of ridiculousness to whatever he touches. At the same Ohio campaign stop, he declaimed that "they" (rich Romney supporters) don't understand "us" (the struggling working class), before shouting about his parents dreaming that one day he could become vice president. Such Biden moments tend to provoke hilarity followed by concern -- i.e., once the chuckling stops, one wonders, "Is he unwell?"

Biden subsequently explained -- if that's the right word -- that "I get tired of being called 'Middle Class Joe,' like that somehow I'm just Joe and I don't dream. C'mon, man." Where to start? No one calls Biden "Middle Class Joe," except maybe his press flacks under extreme duress. And salt-of-the-earth people don't usually refer to themselves in the third person. Biden was first elected to the Senate in 1972. After soaking up the working-class ethos of that deliberative body for 36 years, he decamped to the Naval Observatory as vice president of the United States.

If Barack Obama circa 2004 had known that his political fate would eventually be tied to a long-time senator famous for buffoonish outbursts, he might have reconsidered the audacity of hope. With an unpopular record and a disappointing recovery, the president needs every hatchet man he can get. So the battle cry has gone out, "Unleash Biden!" Hide the women and children.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review. (c) 2012 by King Features Synd., Inc.

What is the hurry of Village to approve variance to Flood Damage ordinance?

To the Editor:

I was so disappointed to witness the soft corruption of the inside deal at the May 18 Salado Planning and Zoning hearing. I cannot believe citizens serving on a public body can perform such shoddy, and probably illegal acts which will likely drive floodwater into one of their neighbor's homes.

Several weeks ago, residents near Carriage House Estates received a terse postcard noting a Planning and Zoning hearing regarding a flood plain variance request. No details were included.

A week before the meeting, a local resident went to ask if there were plans for this variance last week and was told there were "none."

Since any changes to an historical floodplain may impact my property and that of my neighbors, I came to the hearing.

What I witnessed was what in sales is called a "wired deal." In such a transaction, one side does all the preparation, deals with all the decision makers and drops the transaction on the unsuspecting other party with little notice and no time to respond. Then they make a quick decision before the impacted party can respond.

Such was the Friday hearing.

The issue is someone in Round Rock bought a lot around 2008 in an identified Salado flood plain. He knew it was in a flood plain before he bought it.

It flooded during every rain and thus was unbuildable.

The local wine merchant whose property borders the lot in question showed the committee pictures of water, probably 18-24 inches deep, which regularly cover this unbuildable flood plain. Perhaps that is why they call it a flood plain.

A citizen delivered an email from the Salado Planning Commission noting the particular lot was "unbuildable."

Several neighbors presented how any change to the flood plain would likely flood one or more homes that never flooded before.

The reaction of the committee to the neighbors' issues? One of the members said we "... should buy flood insur-

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Letters to the Editor

ance." That is \$2,700 per year per home. All because the board wants to allow someone to build on a flood plain he admitted he knew was a flood plain when he bought the property.

Merle Stalcup, sitting at the Planning and Zoning Board table, admitted he and the landowner had "been working together for 18 months" on this transaction.

Those missing plans which the Village said did not exist were then dropped on these neighbors giving them no time to review or respond.

Stalcup recused himself from the vote but did not admit if he received any compensation for his work structuring this deal. If he did, as a city official with direct influence over, it will be a significant breach of duty.

The "city engineer" said he reviewed the plans and they would not add more flood water, thus all was OK.

Unfortunately, when the surprised neighbors whose homes may be flooded by this action asked some questions, the city engineer's testimony began to unravel.

He admitted that he did not examine whether the water flows or changes in speed, both critical elements in a possible flood, would impact the homeowners in question. Clearly he performed a deficient review which deliberately examined only one very small ingredient of the flood calculation.

The city engineer said the town could not afford the cost of a proper study.

A member of the homeowner's association read the flood plain ordinance to the committee. It plainly stated one cannot build in a flood plain. Period.

While that may be the law, there is a way around it if you know the right people and get a local board to use an admittedly insufficient and deliberately limited engineering study managed to favor one side over the other.

The Planning and Zoning Committee accepted this admittedly deficient engineering review and

immediately voted to grant a variance.

What's the hurry?

Why was this dropped on the neighbors, with no notice of all these details and then a vote hurriedly taken?

Well, we are about to find out.

We are petitioning the Board of Aldermen to give the neighbors 120 days to perform a proper study of the impact of this flood plain change.

We also want time to assess the impact of this variance from the changes coming from the new highway.

Our study will not be deliberately limited nor will it be deliberately insufficient.

What's the hurry?

Why is a local Planning and Zoning Board changing the law, using a deficient study and dropping 18 months of inside job work on neighbors giving them no time to respond?

Why did the Salado government tell the impacted neighbor, a couple of days before the vote that no plans existed?

If we are not granted time to properly review the impact this action will have on our homes, we will promptly litigate the matter.

During the litigation, we will depose every member of the Planning and Zoning board, review in detail their actions favoring the party seeking the variance. We will determine why the "city engineer" acted in an unprofessional manner by endorsing a flood creating action without performing the necessary flood study and allowing his testimony serve as the "science" on which the granted variance depended.

And we will publish all the testimony on a website we will build for this matter called: WhatsTheHurryMerle.com.

So let Salado government understand the day of the inside deal is over.

There's nothing so refreshing as the sunlight of a deposition under oath clean up the backroom.

Give us the 120 days to perform a proper study.

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Don't let big government choose your news

By CORYDON B. DUNHAM

A proposed new plan for government control of television news, and perhaps Internet news, is now pending before the Federal Communications Commission. It would enable the government to suppress opposing points of view, reduce diversity and chill speech.

The new Localism, Balance and Diversity Doctrine has much in common with the FCC's old Fairness Doctrine – a policy the agency itself found deterred and suppressed news and chilled speech and which it revoked in 1987. An FCC-sponsored Future of Media Study has recommended that the Localism Doctrine proceeding be ended as ill advised but FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski has refused; the administrator of the White House's Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Cass R. Sunstein, has long recommended that the government regulate news content broadcast by stations to advance the incumbent government's political and social objectives.

The new doctrine would suppress news, impose unnecessary and heavy burdens on television station news and be enforced by threats of license termination from both the FCC and a local control board at each station. Under the proposed plan, news broadcast by television stations would have to satisfy government criteria for "localism" in production and news coverage – as well as government criteria for balance and viewpoint diversity.

Internet news sites stand to be affected as well. The FCC is planning to transfer the broadcast spectrum used by local television to the Internet and the agency already has begun regulating the Internet.

Five federal communications commissioners in a central government agency in Washington, D.C., would review local news. The majority vote of three commissioners

appointed by the president would make a final determination of news acceptability, overriding the news judgments of thousands of independent, local TV reporters and editors. The stations would be threatened with loss of their licenses to broadcast if found to be non-compliant.

In addition, a local control board would be appointed for each television station to monitor its programming, including news, and recommend against license renewal if board members concluded the station is not complying with the FCC policy. This would impose a new blanket of government control over news. Much of the proposed new rule has not been made public including, for example, who would appoint the members of the local boards.

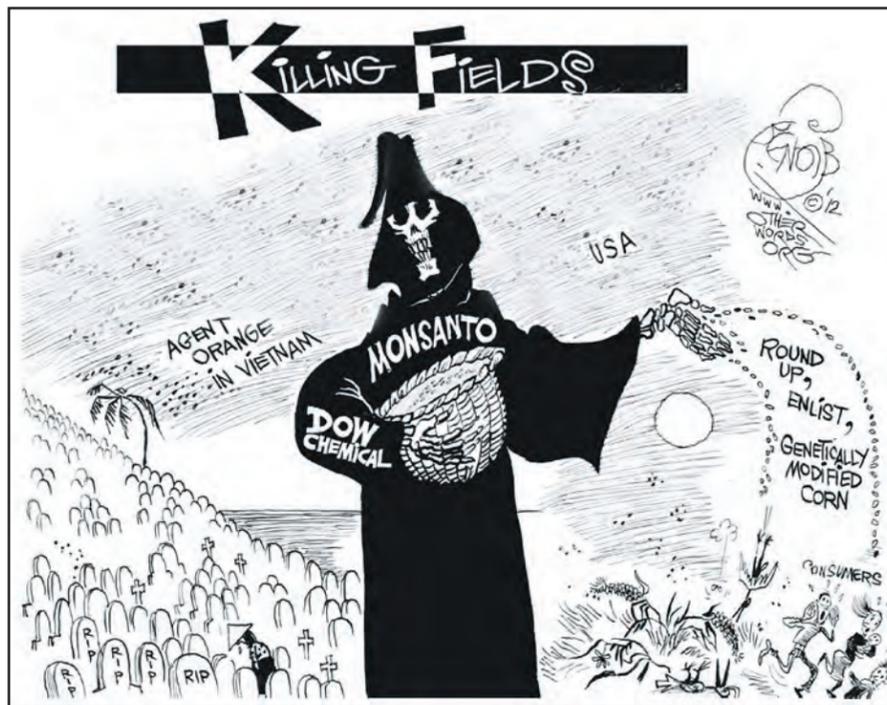
Requiring journalists to comply with a central government agency's policy on how to report the news and what the news should be means those journalists would no longer be free and independent of government. If the broadcast press is not free and independent, it cannot act as a watchdog for the public, which is its constitutional role.

News gathering is not just taking government handouts; it's probing sources for what is really going on. It's important that the TV and radio press continue to be able to do that so the public will be informed. FCC history shows government regulation of news content deters and prevents effective news-gathering.

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With challenge comes opportunity

From there to here, and here to there, funny things are everywhere.

-- Dr. Seuss

Have you ever stopped and shopped in Lorena on the way to Waco or Dallas? I haven't either.

Our resilience as a community is on the precipice of being tested as we begin to experience funny (and not so funny) things from here to there, and our hallowed ground is finally broken upon to mark the beginning of the I-35 expansion through the Village of Salado. Our landscape will be forever changed. It couldn't happen at a worse time.

Like a punch in the Facebook, European economies are crumbling and our own recovery is limping along and about to fall back into recession. Locally, retail business is flat at best and local sales tax revenues have been relatively static for a decade. Main Street vacancies are up and tourism is down. That's our current pulse with or without the interstate expansion.

Bulldozers, tractors, concrete barriers, loud machinery, congestion and dust are about to envelope our beloved village. Blinding lights will illuminate the night sky for the next couple years; a sure downer for local astronomers and vampires.

However, with all these obstacles (literally) in front of us, we can and shall prevail. With challenge comes leadership, opportunity, and change. I hold little doubt that with our village's collective energy and elbow grease in the right places, we'll come out on the other side, a little different, but stronger.

The good news in the

Guest Commentary

By Brian Sunshine

short term is that gasoline prices continue to fall back and as a result, more travelers will take to the road. As the *Salado Village Voice* Editor recommended last week, we need to step up our public marketing & tourism investment up and down I-35 to lure visitors to stop and spend their hard earned dollars in Salado, especially in light of the absence of those magnificent Gregory's billboards. We also need to ensure we have a stronger overall and activities/events presence in periodicals like *Texas Monthly*, *Texas Highways*, and *AAA Texas* magazine and that our collateral does a better job of standing out among the hundreds of ubiquitous tri-folds at TXDOT rest areas.

Furthermore, as residents, we must all be outspoken ambassadors for the Village and what it has to offer, practicing what we preach, taking the long view and changing our own behaviors for the sake of our village's vitality. This includes supporting the businesses that are the lifeblood of this community's tax base by:

- Spending a little bit more per roll for a 12 pack of paper towel at Brookshire Brothers, rather than the 256 pack at Sam's Club in Temple and being forced to use our debit cards,
- Receiving exemplary personal service at Ace Hardware rather than being lost in translation at Lowe's,
- Not fretting over the wealth impact of receiving 0.15 percent on our

money market accounts at a village financial institution versus 0.16 percent at Bank of America,

- Being proud to discover unique gifts in Salado that aren't made in China to give to our loved ones,
- Suggesting Salado when we meet friends or relatives for lunch or dinner,
- Encouraging and recommending local accommodations for our visiting friends and relatives, and
- Accenting our homes with pieces from some of the best artists Texas has to offer.

Boasting to people that we live in Salado and shopping Salado is not enough, we must buy Salado, and more importantly, we must sell Salado.

However and through no fault of their own, many Saladoans are just simply not familiar enough with everything this community has to offer, especially for those who live further from the village limits. A series of resident focused, sector driven open houses with a "Passport through Salado" theme in order to better educate all of us about the retail, bed & breakfasts, restaurants, and services in our own backyards would be VERY beneficial for everyone so that they buy more in, and are well equipped to sell, the community we love.

Another untapped means to inform the community would be the development of an events and activities e-mail subscribership so that the village (government, tourism, and business) can

Mother Nature doesn't quit



Jim Hightower

Rather than find ways to cooperate with the natural world, America's agribusiness giants reach for the next quick fix in a futile effort to overpower nature. Their attitude is that if brute force isn't working, they're probably not using enough of it.

Monsanto, for example, has banked a fortune by selling a corn seed that it genetically manipulated to produce corn plants that won't die when sprayed with the Roundup toxic weedkiller. Not coincidentally, Monsanto also happens to manufacture Roundup. It profits from the seed and from the huge jump in Roundup sales that the seed generates. Slick.

But Mother Nature, darn it, has rebelled. So much of Monsanto's poison was spread in the past decade that weeds naturally began to resist it. As a Dow Chemical agronomist explained, "The real need here is to diversify our weed management systems."

Exactly right! We need non-chemical, sustainable systems that work with nature and without genetically altered crops.

But, no, the Dow man didn't mean that at all. He was calling for more brute force in the form of Dow's new genetically altered corn seed that can absorb Dow's super-potent 2,4-D weedkiller, which it markets under the "Enlist" brand name. Use this stuff, he says, and nature will be defeated.

Wrong. Nature doesn't quit. The weeds will keep evolving and will adapt to Dow's high-tech fix, too. By pushing the same old thing relentlessly, says an independent crop scientist, agribusiness interests "ratchet up [America's] dependence on the use of herbicides, which is very much a treadmill."

It's time to start listening to the weeds — and cooperating with Mother Nature. To advance this common sense approach, a national coalition is backing a California "Right to Know" initiative requiring the labeling of genetically altered foods. To help, go to the Organic Consumers Association at www.OrganicConsumers.org.

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Salado Police Report May 28- June 3

May 28
5:10-5:25 p.m., NB Svc. Rd. at the Creek. Obstructing Traffic/Assist Other Agency Dispatch advised juveniles on NB Svc Rd bridge over the creek jumping from the bridge into the creek. Heavy traffic on Svc. Rd. due to holiday weekend and traffic crash north of Salado. Caller concerned for safety. Located juveniles and adults they were on Stagecoach property. Instructed them to stay off of the I-35 Svc. Rd. Property they were on is within city limits. Svc. Rd. bridges are not. Matter resolved with warning and subject to recall. Clear.

May 29
12:00-1:30 a.m., 15 S. Stagecoach (Exxon). Welfare Concern, family mem-

ber states her mother was to have returned in Salado at approximately 1930 hrs. Has been unable to locate or make contact with since that time. Family member was located and is Code-4. Clear.

8:40-8:55 p.m., Mill Creek. Animal Call, caller stated the there was a large white dog walking in the neighborhood. UTL. Clear.

7:30-8:40 p.m., Hester Way. Assist Other Agency, assisted BCSO Deputies on an attempted suicide. Secured the scene until the Deputies arrived. Cleared.

May 30
8:30-8:50 a.m., 1000 Block Old Mill. Theft, bicycle was taken from front porch.

3:10-3:40 p.m., P.D. Found Property, Individual

found a Canon Flash for a camera at Royal and S. Main. Another individual had reported the she had lost a Canon Flash on Sunday. Property was returned to the owner. Cleared.

8:45-9:10 p.m., 16524 I-35. Assist Other Agency, assisted BCSO on a 911 Hang-up. Made contact with the resident. No emergency. Cleared.

9:45-10:15 p.m., I-35 SB 284. Assist Other Agency, DPS requested assistance on a disabled vehicle in the left-hand lane. I arrived and changed a flat tire for the motorist. Cleared.

10:30-10:50 p.m., 1800 Block Club Circle. Burglary in Progress (Unfounded). Dispatch advised of a Burglary in Progress. Arrived on scene to find

several deer standing near a plate glass window. Made contact with the home owner. I believe that a buck was bumping his own reflection in the glass. No signs of foul play. Cleared.

May 31
12:59-1:29 a.m., 25 N. Main. Crash, no injuries-report.

3:50-4:10 p.m., I-35 SB 284. Assist Other Agency, assisted motorist with a flat tire. Cleared.

June 1
5:45-7:10 p.m., I-35 NB 280. Assist Other Agency, multi vehicle accident with multi injuries. Assist SVFD- Scott & White Ambulance and DPS. Cleared.

June 2
5:10-5:20 p.m., 401 S. Stagecoach (Stagecoach Inn). Animal Welfare, dispatched as two dogs left in a vehicle in parking lot near the creek with windows up and the A/C on. Made contact with the owners who stated they put the dogs in the vehicle to keep them away from others swimming in the creek. Dogs had been let loose prior to my arrival. Car was still cool from the A/C being on for them. Complainant no longer on scene. Clear.

10:15-10:25 p.m., 1208 N. Robertson (Country Boys). Business Alarm, Entry/Exit. Building secure ground level. No keyholder contact. Had witnessed employees locking the business up shortly before alarm was dispatched. Clear.

June 3
7:10-7:30 p.m., 50 S. Main (First State Bank). Business Alarm, Lobby. Arrived on scene to find building secure ground level. Keyholder en route. Performed walk through of building with keyholder. All appears code-4. Clear.

10:10-10:50 p.m. 700 Block S. Main. Traffic Stop, While performing a traffic stop in the above location, it was discovered the operator of the vehicle was listed as having a warrant issued for their arrest. The time line of the warrant being issued corresponds to a date in which identifying information was stolen from the operator. A report had been filed with this department and I was the officer who took the report. The warrant was issued through BCSO who did not have any further information to give me at this time. They were informed the operator was being released with all contact information verified, which is still the same as when the report was filed. All documents regarding the original report will be available for the BCSO Investigator's review. Operator was instructed to contact BCSO first thing in the morning and that I would be making follow up contact in the afternoon. No further information at this time. Clear.



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ism, chamber) can push information electronically to Saladoans in a strategic and meaningful way in order to remind and effectively engage our citizenry to advocate, participate, and volunteer, thereby creating a heightened sense of personal investment, ownership and pride in the community.

Finally, we must broaden our marketing appeal and carefully balance Salado's magic with other retail and commercial interests that will bring necessary revenue to the village. Gone are the days where we can pick and choose the right kinds of businesses that are appropriate for Salado's old world charm. Salado may not be the same kind of destination it was a decade ago, but we need to make adjustments to ensure it remains a destination...But who would sink their life savings into a new business that's surrounded from the get-go by real live cement barriers that circumvent positive cash flow and economic success? Again, as Mr. Fleischer suggested last week, we need to share some risk and consider abatements for new businesses and industries that are willing to take the risk to help grow our local economy.

There's no better time to show, tell and sell Salado. Individually and collectively, now more than ever. Together, let's minimize the things that aren't so funny.

By the way, can anyone direct me to the nearest public restroom?

Astronomers view skies June 9

The Central Texas Astronomical Society (CTAS) will host public star parties 8-11 p.m. June 9 at Overlook Park outside Belton. CTAS members will provide telescopes for public viewing. Guests are also welcome to bring their own telescopes.

The planet Mercury will be visible, half of it, that is, in the west at sunset. Mercury goes through phases, like Venus and our moon. In June, Mars passes from the constellation Leo, the Lion, and into Virgo. Colorful Saturn, with its rings and moons, is always easy to find and impressive to view through a telescope.

The Sombrero Galaxy (M104) is located 10 degrees west of Virgo and 28 million light years from the earth. A large central bulge and prominent dust lane give this slightly inclined galaxy the look of a Sombrero. Virgo has

more confirmed exoplanets than any other constellation. M3 is a globular cluster, located between the Big Dipper and the bright star Arcturus, in the constellation Canes Ven-

acti, the Hunting Dogs. Visit <http://www.cen-texastronomy.org> for more information. If this event is cancelled due to weather, a cancellation notice will be posted by 6 p.m.

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West Point

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by friends and family. About 1,300 cadets started their college careers on the historic campus of West Point, but the academic and physical rigors of the USMA whittled that number by more than a third.

Coleman could have been one of those numbers, too, he admits. "If it hadn't been for my grandparents, I don't know if I would have made it. They carried me through my freshman and sophomore years," 2nd Lt. Coleman said of Howard and Elaine Brunson who live here in Salado. "I leaned on them more than anyone else during that time."

The Academy sloughs off many of its first-year cadets (plebes) during cadet basic training. "You've got to go in as a team player," Coleman said of the summer 'Beast'. The 'Beast' introduces civilians into the rigor of military life.

West Point is not only rigorous in its physical demands but also in its educational demands. Coleman said he is thankful today for teachers like Dennis Cabaniss. "West Point was very rigorous in math and science. Teachers like Mister Cabaniss prepared me for that."

The day-to-day rigor of cadet life tests the mettle of the nation's future leaders. In its 210-year history, West Point has produced presidents, generals, astronauts and other leaders.

Discipline in daily life is taught by the demand-

ing academic and activity schedule. Cadets take a class load of 20 to 24 hours each semester.

Days begin at 5 a.m. with formation, followed by classes from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. For those cadets who do not compete in NCAA athletics or Club athletics, there are required intramural sports beginning at 4 p.m. and continuing past 6:30 p.m. when they get a break for chow. Then it's study time. "Not many nights did I hit the bed before midnight," Coleman said. In addition to the foundation of math, science, history and military science, he also studied Arabic for three years.

"I can talk to a cab driver," he said with a smile.

And he did. His junior year, Coleman studied abroad at the American University in Cairo. "That was very enriching," he said of the experience. "I certainly was immersed in a different culture."

"They are the worst drivers in the world," he adds. "It's like bumper cars for them."

Every day during that semester abroad, Coleman and his fellow students would get aboard a crowded bus for an hour-and-a-half ride to the University.

There were many times that they were warned not to travel. But Coleman admits to taking advantage of the opportunity to see pyramids and travel to Israel, Greece, Jordan and Saudi Arabia.

"I experienced what an unstable government is like," he said of the semester in Egypt. Arab Spring came to fruition the months after Coleman was in Egypt studying.

Coleman said he is thankful for the rich history and tradition of West Point and for the life lessons learned, as well as the first class education.

"You get what you put into something," he said. "It is important to take advantage of the opportunities given to you. It is important to be cognizant of what your priorities are."

A top priority is family. Much of his family came for graduation, including dad Cliff Coleman (an SHS graduate) and Cliff's new wife Regina and her children Garret, Hunter and Meredith. Grandparents Bill and Norma Maedgen also made the trip to New York.

Coleman is home to Salado on leave for the next two weeks before returning to West Point to help with training incoming Plebes during Beast summer.

In August, he will go to Fort Benning, Georgia and begin a 16-week Infantry Basic Officer Leadership Course this fall, followed by Army Ranger School.

"All infantry officers go to Ranger school," he said.

After that and specialized training, the second lieutenant will be stationed at Fort Hood as a Platoon leader in the First Cavalry Division.

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into Salado via pipeline crossing Chisholm Trail and then across land parcels of Salado Plaza Shopping Center. According to a May 17 letter by McCort, "it will then go a short distance and go south across (Brookshire Brothers and Salado Water Company), discharging into Salado Creek."

"The Texas Water Development Board has indicated that using the effluent for irrigating the ball fields would expedite the loan approval process," McCort stated in the letter. The normal time for getting a permit is approximately two years after the submission request.

After a feasibility study (costing \$13,500) is complete, the Village can then work on securing financing. "After getting some basic hard figures, we will

be able to take this to the property owners," McCort stated.

The cost for building the WWTP and the delivery system to serve the downtown commercial area of Salado is roughly estimated at \$5 million.

Costs and considerations

Cost of the WWTP and its delivery system, regardless of whether the WWTP is on the north end of Salado or the south end of Salado, will be approximately \$5 million when completed.

More than half of the cost is for the delivery system to serve the same approximate area.

Serving the downtown area could possibly be the first phase of a multi-phase approach to bringing waste water treatment to the businesses and resi-

dents of Salado.

A second phase could include expansion to the west side of I-35 (after I-35 construction is complete) to serve the expected business and residential development there.

Since incorporation more than a decade ago, the Village has grown very little because it cannot annex at-will (opposed to nearby cities such as Belton, Temple and Killeen -- all of which have extra territorial jurisdiction in the Salado Independent School District.

If the Village can provide utilities such as sewer, then it would have the ability to annex at-will. However, annexation laws -- including laws regulating the amount of land that can be annexed each year -- would then come into place.

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Local student completes 360 Impact leadership program

IMPACT 360 prepared Hunter Ward for his first year of college in a way he wasn't after finishing high school a year ago. The Salado, resident is one of only 31 students from all over the country to be commissioned by the Chick-fil-A affiliated leadership and worldview studies program on May 11.



Dr. John Basie, director of Impact 360, Hunter Ward, Trudy and John White (founders of Impact 360)

The Pine Mountain, Georgia campus of IMPACT 360 is part of a growing movement among high school grads seeking a structured way to grow in faith and real-world experience before continuing on the traditional university path. Its innovative "living and learning" philosophy allows participants the chance to fully integrate their daily lives with their faith and academics. IMPACT 360's goal is to draw out each student's God-given abilities so they best know how to become leaders on their campuses and in the marketplace.

"I've learned how to serve with the right motives," says Ward. "How to lead with integrity and influence and be more courageous in things I would normally step

away from."

Students at IMPACT 360 grapple with worldview and philosophy during classes with various renowned Christian leaders, but program founders John and Trudy Cathy White believe their education is incomplete if not practiced in the local and world communities. For this reason, each individual student chooses a ministry or organization to serve in the Pine Mountain area, while the entire class joins stationed missionaries in Brazil for a one month international experience.

Hunter plans to study film and digital media at Baylor University this fall, and credits IMPACT 360

for equipping him with Christ-centered purpose and focus as he begins this new chapter.

"Being a part of this program has prepared me for the rest of my life, and given me direction about what I'm called to do and where I need to be."

IMPACT 360 was founded in 2006 to prepare students to be leaders and to break the cycle of young adults who abandon their faith when faced with opposition and challenges in the university setting. The outcome is an understanding of God's unique calling in their lives that extends far beyond the classroom.

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Graduate and honor rolls name area students

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Diplomas were awarded to approximately 7,300 Texas A&M University graduates during spring commencement ceremonies.

Among those receiving degrees were:

Lauren L. Haire, Bachelor of Science - Psychology
Meredith A. Husted, Bachelor of Science - Health

Kevin M. Jackson, Bachelor of Arts - History
Kamylle M. Palomino, Bachelor of Science - Kinesiology with Summa Cum Laude Honor

TEXAS A&M HONOR LIST

Texas A&M University has named its honor students for the spring semester, recognizing them for outstanding academic performance.

The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes students taking at least 15 semester hours during the spring semester who have maintained a 3.75 or higher grade point (GPR) out of a possible 4.0.

A second designation, "Distinguished Student," recognizes those who earned a 3.5 to 3.74 GPR while taking at least 15 hours for the spring semester.

Among those recognized were:

Sheril D. Marek of Holland; Bachelor of Science - Kinesiology Distinguished
Victoria R. Pajestka of Holland, Bachelor of Science - Interdisciplinary Studies Deans Honor Roll

TSTC HONOR ROLL

Michael Hill of Little River has earned a place on the President's Honor Roll for the 2012 spring semester at Texas State Technical College Waco.

Hill, a student in Welding Technology, is among those recognized with a scholastic achievement of a 4.0 grade point average for the semester.

Texas State Technical College, the only state-assisted technical college system in Texas, offers specialized, hands-on instructional courses.

Area Businesses build Habitat House

On Saturday, June 2, volunteers from area businesses joined Habitat partner Arenia Ward to raise the walls of her family's new Habitat for Humanity home at 2705 Parrott Avenue. The Business Build project is funded by Waco Habitat's Cornerstone Club members, businesses that annually donate \$500 or more in cash, materials or services. Generous lead gifts were given by American Classifieds, Bank of America, Extraco Banks, State Farm, and Walmart.

Work on the home began at 8:30 a.m. on, June 2. A brief ceremony to kick off the project began at 1 p.m., and then construction continued through the afternoon. Throughout the summer, volunteers will help the Ward family complete its home. Arenia has spent the past year working diligently to complete 300 hours of sweat equity.

Waco Habitat for Humanity is an ecumenical Christian housing ministry that builds simple, decent, affordable homes in partnership with low-income families using donated funds and materials, and primarily volunteer labor. Partner families contribute at least 300 hours of sweat equity, including New Homeowners College classes designed to help them become successful homeowners.

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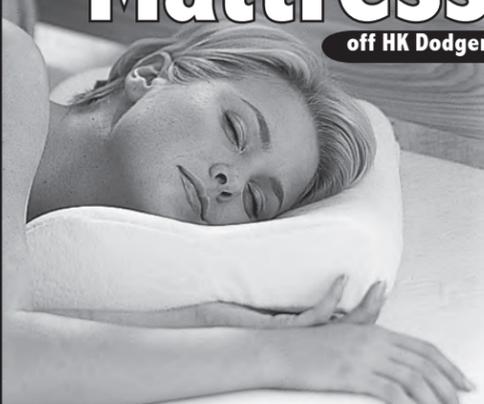
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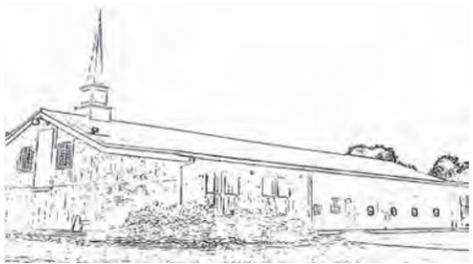
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 Temple, TX (May 30, 2012) – The Junior League of Bell County (JLBC) received over \$475 from the Hilton Garden Inn Temple. The Hilton Garden Inn helped raise the funds for JLBC by hosting Pre-orders and drive thru meals on Tuesdays in April. All of the proceeds went to support the JLBC and their impact on displaced women and children of Bell County. Those at the presentation of the check were: Nikki Morrow (JLBC), Jeanie Smilie (Hilton), Kristin Seholm (JLBC), Holly Steele (JLBC President), Amber Houmes (JLBC), Natasha Roderick (JLBC & Hilton), Jon Newkirk, Robert Zink, and Josephine Smith, all of the Hilton.



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Community Bible Study now registering for fall sessions

The Temple-Belton Community Bible Study (CBS) adult evening class is registering members for a 30-week in-depth interdenominational Bible study.

The study entitled The Divided Kingdom and the Minor Prophets will focus on 1 and 2 Kings in the fall. Thereafter the study will encompass the books of Joel, Jonah, Amos, Hosea, Micah, Nahum, Obadiah, Zephaniah and Habakkuk.

Beginning Sept. 10 the class will meet weekly from 7:30-9 p.m. on Monday in the small sanctuary of First Baptist Church of Belton, Sixth and Main streets.

The class is open to all adults. Individuals may choose to participate in core groups for men, women, married couples or young adults.

Each week participants receive a reading commentary on the previous week's topic and a set of questions to work on each day covering the next week's reading. These questions are discussed in small groups of about fifteen. Following the small groups there is a short lecture over the same section of Scripture.

The class will break for Christmas and spring vacations and finish at the end of April 2013.

For information contact class coordinator Kathie Kimes at (254) 773-1842 in Temple or the class associate teaching director Curtis Gibson, (254) 526-



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S&W Pioneers will hear Jon Tidball June 20

The Scott & White Pioneers will hear chaplain (LTC) Jon Tidball, USA ret. at its Quarterly Meeting on June 20. The meeting will be held at the at the Avenue T Church of Christ on Avenue T across from the main Scott & White complex.

Chaplain Tidball will speak on "Patriot Kids", the children of military servicemen and women. A 30 year veteran, he is a highly sought after preacher, Bible teacher and lecturer in Medical Ethics.

Obituaries



ROBERT (BOB) BEISEL

Robert (Bob) Beisel passed away June 2, 2012. Beisel was born September 30, 1925 in Durant, Mississippi. He was the only son of B. Otto and Madge Hammett Beisel. Upon graduation from high school, he entered the Navy to serve in WWII. He was on a troop ship, the USS Marion Crawford from 1943 to 1946 carrying soldiers from the U.S. to points in Europe. Beisel was a radar man, looking for submarines and mines. Upon completion of his active duty, he attended Mississippi State University, majoring in chemical engineering. He was also a member of the SAE fraternity. Beisel started his business career with Coca Cola Co. Later he joined Mississippi Chemical and Occidental Petroleum Corp. He was responsible for building the first UREA plant in Saudi Ara-

bia under contract with Occidental Petroleum.

In 1971, Beisel formed REX International Corp. in Houston, TX, marketing chemical products worldwide and sold his interest in REX and joined C E Randall.

He married Judith Edman Sullivan in 1979.

The Beisels moved to Florida in 1987 where he earned his Florida Insurance License and Florida Real estate License. He went to work for the State of Florida EPA where he retired in 1999. Bob held two Professional Engineering Licenses: one for the State of Texas and the other for the State of Florida.

Upon retirement, Bob and Judy moved to Sun City, Georgetown and remained there until 2003 when they moved to Salado. Bob became a volunteer for many projects in Salado, most importantly was his time spent with the Salado Ambassador program. Frequently he would greet visitors and welcome them to Salado with a dog in one arm and a big smile.

He was a member of the Salado United Methodist Church; their Stephen Ministry generously supported Bob during his illnesses and final days through the care of Bruce

Avila.

Beisel is survived by his wife, Judy, of 33 years; daughters, Jeanmarie B. Townend, Kathy Lynn Beisel and Lisa Jan Beisel; stepchildren, Mary S. Sullivan, Scott D. Sullivan and Georganna S. Tucker and one granddaughter, Audrey Hope Townend.

He is preceded in death by his mother, father and only sister, Marjorie Beisel Bell who died in 1980.

Will-O-Bell Nursing Home and Odyssey Hospice of Bell County gave care to Beisel.

Services will be private. A celebration of life will be 3 p.m. July 28, 2012 at Broecker Funeral Home.

For additional information and remembrances, go to www.broeckerfuneralhome.com.

SERGEANT

LEEVON JAMES RITTER

Fort Hood officials have released the name of a Soldier who died May 22 from injuries sustained from a motorcycle accident in Temple, Texas, 18 May.

Sergeant Leevon James Ritter, 24, whose home of record is LeClaire, Iowa, entered active duty service in June 2006 as a M1

armor crewman. He was assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 1st Squadron, 3rd Cavalry Regiment, Fort Hood, since December 2011.

Ritter deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom from November 2007 to January 2009.

Ritter's awards and decorations include three Army Commendation Medals, three Army Achievement Medals, the Army Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, two Iraqi Campaign Medals with campaign stars, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon and Mechanic Badge with Driver-Tracked Vehicles.

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9:30 am Sunday School
10:50 am Worship Service (Main Sanctuary)
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6:00 pm New Member Dinner

Scott and White Blood Mobile will be here on Wednesday, June 20th, from 5-7:00 pm.

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Salamander meeting June 18

Biologists from Texas A&M University and a hydrologist from Baylor University will meet with local government officials and property owners in the Salado Creek watershed on June 18 to discuss the first phase of complex, locally-driven habitat study of the Salado salamander. The public meeting will be held at 6 p.m. June 18 in the Longhorn room of the Stagecoach Inn conference center.

The Salado salamander may be added to the Endangered Species List this year and local governing bodies have banded together to fund a \$60,000 study of the Salado Creek watershed and the Edwards Aquifer to gain more knowledge about the habitat of the Salado salamander and potential threats to that habitat.

The study, conducted by the Texas A&M University Institute for Renewable Natural Resources, will look in-depth at the geology of the area in order to gain a better understanding of the Edwards Aquifer. It will

also look at the biology of the water system and its springs to identify the Salado salamander habitats, populations and potential threats.

By attaining what Bell County Commissioner Tim Brown calls "good science," local governing bodies including the county, the Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District and the Village of Salado hope to develop "reasonable controls that make sense for us here in Bell County."

Without that science, Brown says that local property owners will face controls put in place by the federal government when it places the Salado salamander on the Endangered Species List.

The study will be conducted by Dr. Neal Wilkins, Dr. Joe Yelderman and Dr. Toby Hibbitts with Texas A&M University and Dr. Robert Gulley of Baylor University.

"We want this to be an open and public effort," Brown said.

The Salado salamander is known historically

from two spring sites in Salado: the Big, Boiling Springs (also known as Sirena Springs) and the Robertson Springs on the Robertson Ranch west of I-35.

The current population of the Salado salamander is unknown. According to the Species Assessment, biologists were unable to observe the species despite over 20 visits to Big Boiling Springs between 1991 and 1998. Andy Gluesenkamp with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department reports that the site was surveyed weekly from June 2009 until May 2010 and one salamander was found at a spring outlet locally referred to as "Lil' Bubbly" located just upstream from Big Boiling Springs.

TPWD confirmed the species at Robertson Springs in 2010. In 2009 TPWD discovered a population of salamanders at a new site in Bell County and studies are underway to determine if this species is the Salado salamander or another aquatic salamander species.

I-35 expansion — FROM PAGE 1A

James Construction Group, contractor for the project, has begun setting traffic barriers in preparation for the start of construction. The project runs about 3.33 miles.

Cost of the project is \$70.4 million, and includes replacing the crossovers at N. Main St. (which will be moved south to connect to Salado Plaza Dr./Williams Rd.), Thomas Arnold Rd.,

and FM 2268. A new exit connecting to Main St. on the south side of town will be added.

The project includes the construction of new access roads, which will be one-way, in accordance with current federal interstate highway safety regulations. The mainlanes will be increased from two to three lanes in each direction. The southern

end of the project will be started first, and construction is expected to be complete by summer of 2016.

TXDoT will host an open-house community meeting in Salado 5:30-7 p.m. June 20 at the Salado Intermediate School for TXDoT officials to talk with local citizens about what to expect with the start of construction on the Salado project.

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Arts: Summer Silver Spur sessions teach kids creative arts

An exciting slate of unique, creativity-cultivating camps and outreach programs for aspiring young artists and performers kicked off at the Silver Spur Arts Academy (SSAA) on June 4. Openings are still available for the next two week-long sessions.

This week's session is the first of three, week-long, fun-learning "INSURational Summer" sessions held in June, July and August at the Salado Silver Spur Theater (108 Royal St.) for youngsters ages four to 18 years old. Additional programs are available for external groups and locations.

For more information, or to reserve a spot for an aspiring young artist, call the Salado Silver Spur Theater at 254 947-3456, or visit the Academy website at www.silver-spurarts.com and click on "Events."

The site also covers SSAA's outreach programs for schools, hospitals, day care facilities, retirement communities and other groups, as well as private lessons. Check out the SSAA's new informational video produced by videographer Will Von Bolton.

"Participants will have the opportunity to learn techniques in visual and performing arts in amazingly fun ways," said Grainger Esch, SSAA



Students will plunge into dance and yoga as part of the summer camps in Salado at the Salado Silver Spur Theater.

co-founder and Creative Director of the Silver Spur for eight years. "The children will learn how to harness their imaginations in creative and positive ways."

Tuition for each of the five day camps is \$185. Students are encouraged to bring a sack lunch or snack. Reservations for the camps are strongly encouraged since space is limited. The camps are offered on weekdays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the following upcoming dates:

- July 16 - 20, students age 9-to-18. At these first two, the campers will be able to explore a kaleidoscope of creative avenues, from theater and dance to visual arts and music. "The sky is the limit at The Academy," Esch said.

- Aug. 6 - 10, for students age 9-18. Focus will be primarily on theater arts with instruction in

performance, movement, dance, speech, singing, clowning, writing and improvisation.

"The students will plunge into dance, drawing, crafting, crooning, painting, play-acting, moving, imagining and more," Esch explained. "Each camp culminates with a fun, creative and quite festive finale for families and friends to explore and enjoy!"

Warm-ups, Dance, Visual Arts & Crafts, Physical Comedy, Circus Skills

Saladoan Tiffany Schreiner, the Academy co-founder who has more than 25 years experience in movement and dance instruction, will lead the camp's warm-up and dance sessions. Her family has been highly involved with theatre and artistic performance for generations. She has stud-

ied dance, yoga and holistic physical/mental/spiritual healing throughout her life.

The Visual art and craft instruction will be provided by the terrifically talented trio of Sheryl Russell, Shellie O'Neal and Sandra Edwards, all of Salado. Each one has a wealth of professional experience in fostering young imaginations and careers in commercial art, graphic design and arts education, respectively.

Tony Blackman of Belton, the Silver Spur's longtime long-time, singing Technical director, will direct the musical theater portion of the camp. His professional experience includes more than 20 years in the fields of acting, singing, directing, stagecraft, deigning and teaching.

This year's camps for ages 9 and up will also **SEE ARTS, PAGE 8B**

Theater Arts Camp at Tablerock

Tablerock Theater is now taking reservations for its Theater Camp, an eight-day session July 15-22. The Camp is available to high school freshmen, sophomores, juniors, seniors and College Freshmen.

The camp will enroll no more than 11 boys and 11 girls. Cost is \$650 per camper with a deposit of \$300 due by June 25. Small Scholarships are available. Daytime Only student cost is \$500.

Theater Camp Director is Kelly Parker; Assistant Director is Anna Easterling Parker and Tablerock Theater Camp Founder is Mike Doggett have planned Tablerock

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Kelly Parker, Theater Professor at McLennan Community College will conduct courses on UIL; Chef Rod Stockstill

and Chef Russell Stockstill will conduct classes on "Preparing Lunch for Poor, Hungry Actors"; Scouting for Costumes and Props by Jackie Mills; Writing Lyrics/Songs by Richard Paul Thomas, Jackie Mills and Tom Taylor; Stage Weapons by Arnie Bielss and Tim Wilson; Stage Lighting and Sound by Kelly Parker; Sponsorship/Advertising by Jackie Mills and Mary Hanik; How to Critique & Rewrite by Tom Taylor and Kelly Parker and story telling in Tablerock's "Faces in the Woods" by Tom Taylor. Other classes and instructors are under consideration. Housing and dining will be in air conditioned facilities. Some evening classes

conducted in the amphitheater.

Trips out of town via Salado ISD air conditioned bus will take campers on tour to Baylor Costume Department, to McLennan County College Theater Department in Waco, TX and to Temple to visit Goodwill and Salvation Army stores (a treasure trove for props & costumes). There will be a walking tour of Salado (Tablerock is 3 blocks from downtown Salado) to visit the Silver Spur Theater and to visit downtown merchants in Salado.

Applications, Student and Parent Handbook and instructor's vita may be obtained on www.tablerock.org.

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MONDAYS
Village Quilters and Knitters, 1:30 p.m. at Village Art Building.

TUESDAYS
Salado Village Artists, Village Art Building, 9:30 a.m.

TUESDAYS
Salado Rotary Club, 11:30 a.m.

TUESDAYS
Salado Community Chorus practice, 6 p.m., Salado Civic Center, unless otherwise noted.

TUESDAYS
Sit & Knit Session at The Salado Yarn Co. inside Southern Comforts, 22 N Main join fellow knitters for casual knitting. 10 - Noon. saladoyarn@gmail.com

TUESDAYS
Weekly Yoga class 6:30 p.m. at Salado Wine Seller, 841 N. Main St., info tiffyoranch@gmail.com.

TUESDAYS
Prix Fixe menu at The Range. Two entrees and adult beverage for \$14.95. Terrific for Date Night! Offerings change weekly. Find The Range on Facebook to see this week's menu or call 254-947-3828.

THURSDAYS
Ladies night for all the working girls at Gypsy's Closet. Gypsy's Closet will remain open until 6 p.m. on Thursday evenings, so come by and enjoy a glass of wine and after work shopping.

THURSDAYS
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SATURDAYS
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SUNDAYS
Brunch at Inn on the Creek, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Call 254-947-5554.

WEEKENDS THROUGH

JUNE 9
My Way, "A Musical Tribute to Frank Sinatra" - created by David Grapes and Todd Olson. Weekend performances at Salado Silver Spur Theater. For information, visit www.thesaladosilverspur.com or call the box office at 254-947-3456.

JUNE 4-7
Salado Eagle Camp basketball camp for incoming third through ninth graders., \$50 per camper. Session 1 for 3rd-6th graders, 8:30-10:30 a.m. Session 2 for 7th-9th graders, Noon-2 p.m. kenny.mann@sala-doisd.org for info.

JUNE 4-7
Tennis Camp for grades K-12, \$50 per camper. Session 1 8-9 a.m. for 5-11 year olds, Session 2, 9-10:30 a.m. for 12 and above. Contact melissa.hyer@saladoisd.org.

JUNE 7
Sit & Knit Session at The Salado Yarn Co. inside Southern Comforts, 22 N Main. Join fellow knitters for casual knitting. 6 p.m. saladoyarn@gmail.com

JUNE 7
Village of Salado Board of Aldermen meeting, 6 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Inn. Public meeting.

JUNE 7
Chisholm Trail ABWA meeting, 6 p.m., McCain's Bakery and Cafe.

JUNE 9
Salado Reunion welcomes residents and former residents to this annual event. 9:30 a.m. -

3:30 p.m., Salado Intermediate School. Catered lunch should be ordered by June 2. Call Sydney Boren (254) 939-3452 for more information. Spend the day with old classmates and neighbors.

JUNE 9
Salado Dog Daze featuring Pooch Parade in Salado Pace Park, 9 a.m.-noon. Call Salado Chamber of Commerce for details 254-947-5040 or visit www.salado.com.

JUNE 9
Jammin' on the Lawn, 4-7 p.m. at Salado Wine Seller, 841 N. Main St. An evening of live music by Serrenada Hill. Bring friends, family, food, and a thirst for good Texas Wine.

JUNE 9
Dimlit Daylight performs 6-9 p.m. at Salado Creek Winery, 227 N. Main St.

JUNE 9
Bell County Star Party, sponsored by the Central Texas Astronomical Society, Overlook Park at Stillhouse Hollow Lake, 8-11 p.m. The Overlook Park is located at 3740 FM 1670. No cost for this event. Bring comfortable walking attire and shoes, seating and telescopes. CTAS members may also share their telescopes with you.

JUNE 11
Salado Public Library Summer Reading Program "Get a Clue" at 11 a.m. This week's theme is Chicken Dog. There will be a craft after the performance. Children should come in the library to pick up a reading log. Two children with the most reading time will receive five books.

JUNE 11-14
Girls basketball camp for third-ninth graders, \$50 each. Session 1 for third-sixth graders, 1-3 p.m., Session 2 for seventh-ninth graders, 3-5 p.m. Email jeanette.mckinney@saladoisd.org for info.

JUNE 11-JULY 21
Salado Legends Rehearsal. Call director Donnie Williams at 254-947-0717.

JUNE 12
Salado Friendly Class at the Salado Visitor Center. Registration of \$25 includes the class, driving tour, reference notebook and lunch. Class is limited to 12. Call 254-947-8634 to register.

JUNE 12
Community Emergency Response Team of

Salado (CERTS) meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd.

JUNE 13
Salado Friendly Class at the Salado Visitor Center. Registration of \$25 includes the class, driving tour, reference notebook and lunch. Class is limited to 12. Call 254-947-8634 to register.

JUNE 13
Salado Lions Club, 11:30 a.m. at Salado Civic Center.

JUNE 14
Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 9:30 a.m. at the Stagecoach Inn Conference center.

JUNE 14
Yoga and Wine at Salado Wine Seller. \$18 per person/\$30 per couple. Questions email Tiffany at tiffyoranch@gmail.com.

JUNE 16
Jamie Thomas performs 6-9 p.m. at Salado Creek Winery, 227 N. Main St.

JUNE 15-17
TABC Team Basketball Camp for JV and Varsity Players. Information at www.tabc-campofchamps.com.

JUNE 18
Salado Public Library Summer Reading Program "Get a Clue" at 11 a.m. This week's theme is Austin Reptile Show. There will be a craft after the performance. Children should come in the library to pick up a reading log. Two children with the most reading time will receive five books.

JUNE 18-21
Baseball camp for third-ninth graders, \$50 each, 9 a.m.-noon. Email chad.krempin@saladoisd.org

JUNE 18
Salado ISD Board of Trustees meeting, 6 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center. Public meeting.

JUNE 18-21
Softball camp for third-ninth graders, \$50 each, 9 a.m.-noon. email amanda.hibbs@saladoisd.org.

JUNE 18-20
TABC Team Basketball Camp2 for JV and Varsity Players. Information at www.tabc-campofchamps.com

JUNE 21
Salado Chamber of Commerce board of directors meeting, 8:30 a.m. at the Salado Tourism and Visitors center.

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JUNE 21

Village of Salado Board of Aldermen meeting, 6 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Inn. Public meeting.

JUNE 21

Corks and Creations, 6 p.m. at Salado Wine Seller, 841 N. Main St. Join Angela Patrick as she leads you step by step through creating a painted masterpiece of your own. Please call Angela Patrick for reservation at 254-681-1416. Cost \$45 includes all materials and a glass of wine.

JUNE 21-23

TABC Skills Camp for nine year olds through Junior High Players. Information at www.tabccampofchamps.com

JUNE 22

Zooniversity wildlife education group will be visiting Salado Public Library at 11:30 a.m. Zooniversity presents conservation-based programs that give participants the opportunity to interact with exotic animals such as Mira, the baby genet and others from the 50 species of unusual animals they care for. This program is open to both children and adults.

JUNE 22

Fourth Friday Gospel Singing at Cedar Valley Baptist Church, FM 2843, 7 p.m. Potluck at 10 p.m.

JUNE 22 - JULY 14

The Seven Year Itch - by George Axelrod. Weekend performances at Salado Silver Spur Theater. For information, visit www.thesaladosilverspur.com or call the box office at 254-947-3456.

JUNE 23

(no relation) performs 6-9 p.m. at Salado Creek Winery, 227 N. Main St.

JUNE 25

Salado Public Library Summer Reading Program "Get a Clue" at 11 a.m. This week's theme is Bonzo Crunch. One free book will be given out to every child in attendance.

JUNE 25-28

Soccer camp, \$50 each. Session 1 for third-sixth graders, 8:30-10 a.m. Session 2 for seventh-ninth graders, 10:30 a.m.-noon. Email michael.goos@saladoisd.org.

JUNE 27

Salado Lions Club, 11:30 a.m. at Salado Civic Center.

JUNE 30

Hannah Prestridge performs 6-9 p.m. at Salado Creek Winery, 227 N. Main St.

JULY 2

Salado Masonic Lodge #296 Stated Meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Masons Hall, 90 N. Church St. Installation of Officers.

JULY 4

Salado Historic Society Old Fashioned 4th of July Picnic 6 p.m. at Salado Intermediate School. Bring side or dessert.

JULY 5

Sit & Knit Session at The Salado Yarn Co. inside Southern Comforts, 22 N Main. Join fellow knitters for casual knitting. 6 p.m. saladoyarn@gmail.com.

JULY 5

Corks and Creations, 6 p.m. at Salado Wine Seller, 841 N. Main St. Join Angela Patrick as she leads you step by step through creating a painted masterpiece of your own with a patriotic theme. Please call Angela Patrick for reservation at 254-681-1416. Cost \$45 includes all materials and a glass of wine.

JULY 7

Jammin' on the Lawn, 4-7 p.m. at Salado Wine Seller, 841 N. Main St. An evening of live music by The Sons of Leisure. Bring friends, family, food, and a thirst for good Texas Wine! If the weather is nice it will be outside!

JULY 12

Yoga and Wine at Salado Wine Seller. \$18 per person/\$30 per couple. Questions email Tiffany at tiffyoranch@gmail.com.

JULY 14

Salado Swirl will feature the wines of seven wineries, 6-9 p.m. Located at various shops in Salado. Call Salado Tourism at 254-947-8634 for details.

JULY 14

Jammin' on the Lawn, 4-7 p.m. at Salado Wine Seller, 841 N. Main St. An evening of live music by Serrenada Hill. Bring friends, family, food, and a thirst for good Texas Wine! If the weather is nice it will be outside!

JULY 16-19

Football camp, \$50 per camper. Session 1 for third-sixth graders, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Session 2 for seventh-ninth graders, noon-2 p.m. Email gtabott@saladoisd.org.

JULY 21, 28 & AUG. 4

20th Annual Salado Legends. Dinner reservations required. Dinner 7:15 p.m. \$8 adult or child. Show 8:15 p.m., \$17 Adult, \$5 child under 12. Tickets: www.tablerock.org or call 254-

947-9205. Ticket office, concession opens at 6:30 p.m.

JULY 22-29

Tablerock Theater Camp includes: classes, food, lodging and trips. More information 254-947-9205 or e-mail tablerock1@aol.com or visit www.tablerock.org

JULY 27 - AUGUST 18

Ballot Box Bedlam! Or The Millionaire Mountebank's Mayoral Machination. Annual melodrama performances every weekend at the Salado Silver Spur Theater. For information, visit www.thesaladosilverspur.com or call the box office at 254-947-3456.

JULY 30-AUGUST 2

Summer Volleyball Camp for Girls who will be in fifth through sixth grade. Volleyball from 9-11 a.m. at the High School The cost will be \$50. Contact rachel.lee@saladoisd.org.

AUGUST 2

Sit & Knit Session at The Salado Yarn Co. inside Southern Comforts, 22 N Main. Join fellow knitters for casual knitting. 6 p.m. saladoyarn@gmail.com

AUGUST 3

Midnight Madness down Main Street, sponsored by Salado Chamber of Commerce. Visit www.salado.com for more information.

AUGUST 6-9

Salado Junior Cheerleader Summer Camp for Pre-Kindergarten through sixth grade, 9-11 a.m. at Salado Intermediate School. Cost is \$55 per camper and include T-shirt and snacks each day. For more information call Salado Cheer Coach Charla Kelley at 254-718-1725 or Betty Peralta at 512-746-2016.

AUGUST 24

Salado ISD Annual Health and Benefits Fair 9 - 11 a.m. at Salado

Intermediate School.

AUG 31 - SEPT 22

Nunsense II: The Second Coming - by Dan Goggin. Weekend performances at Salado Silver Spur Theater. For

information, visit www.thesaladosilverspur.com or call the box office at 254-947-3456.

SEPTEMBER 6

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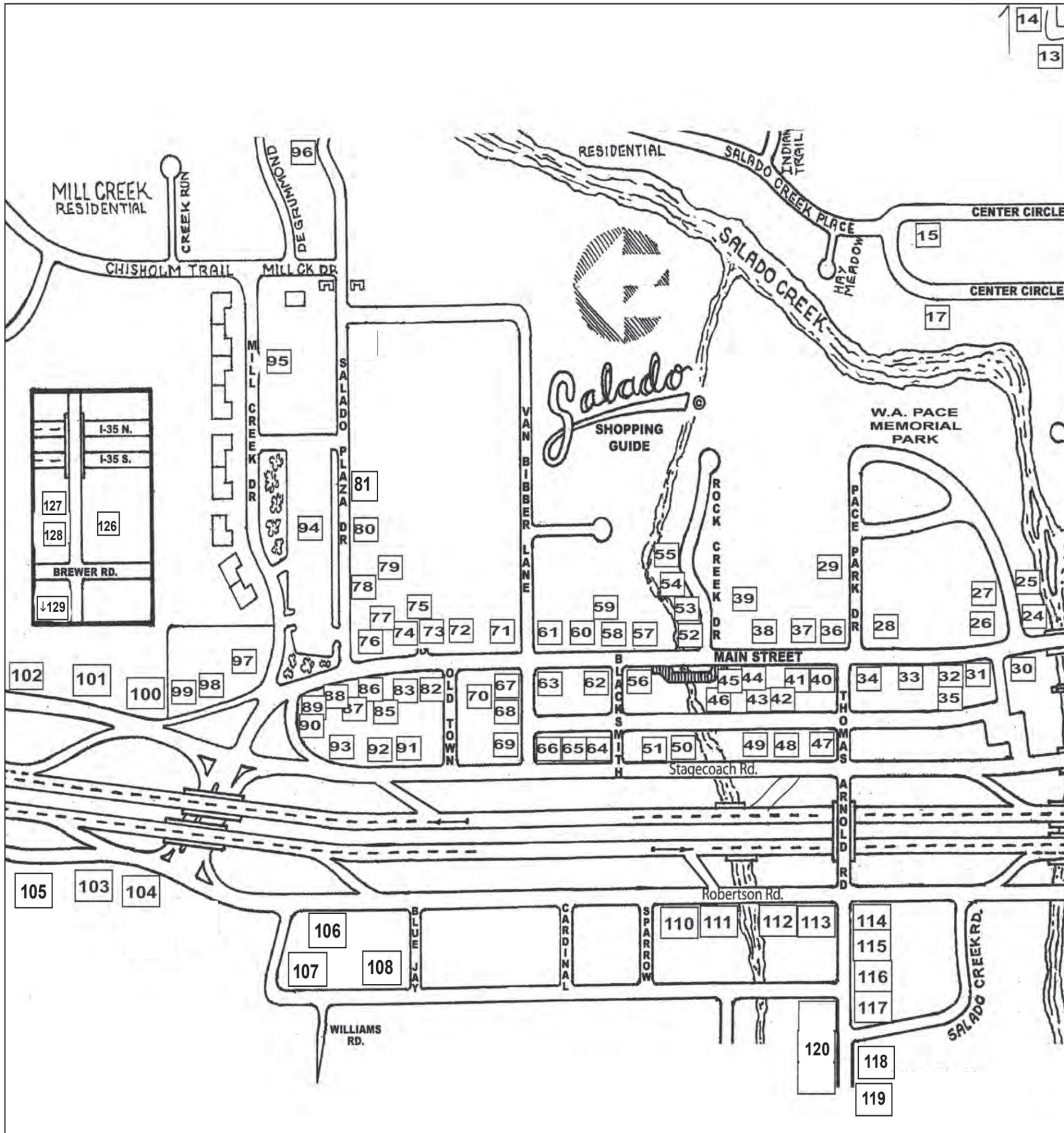
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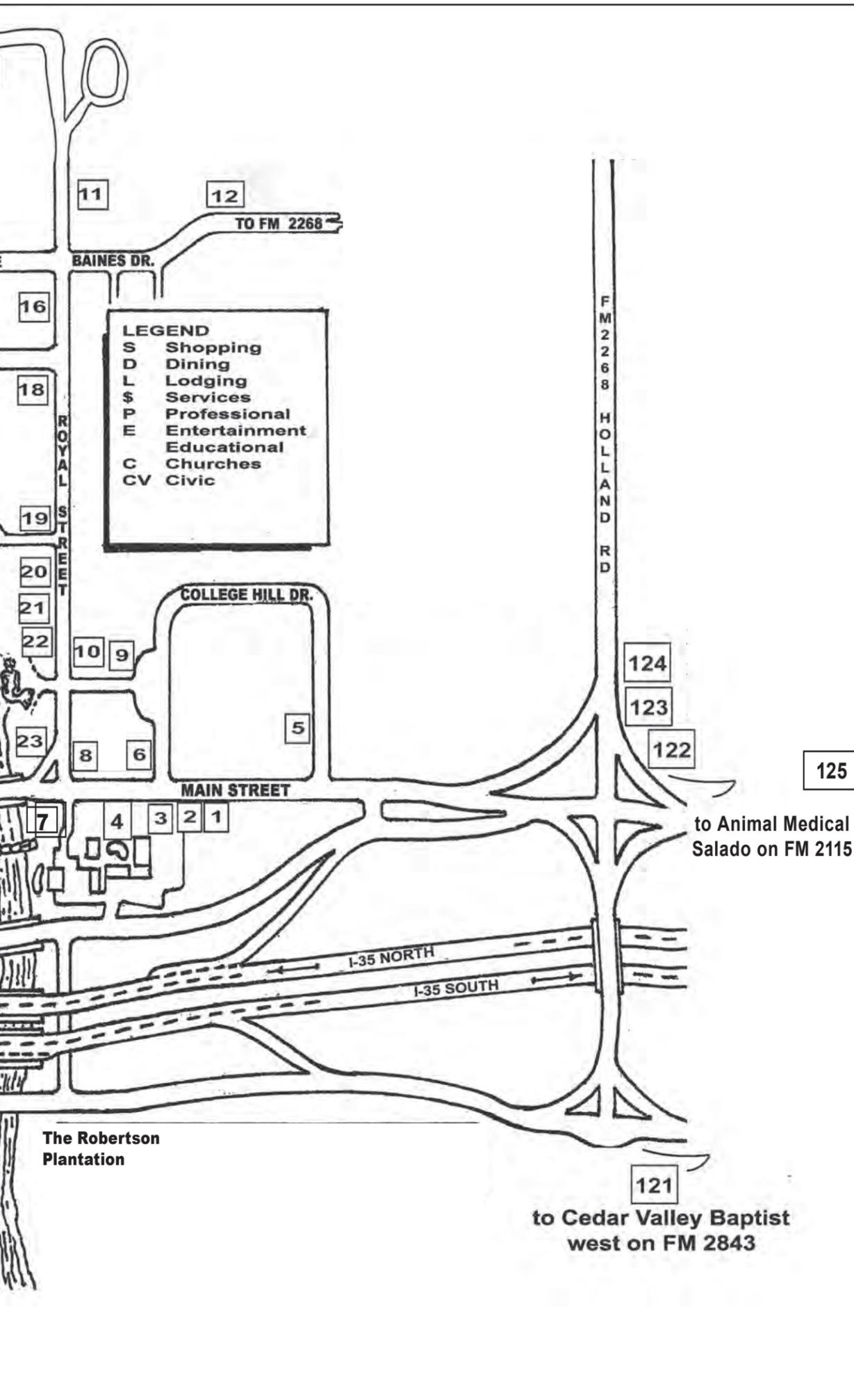
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KALE WALDORF SALAD

Serves 4 to 6

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Ingredients

4 cups packed finely chopped raw kale, preferably dinosaur kale
 1 large red apple, such as Fuji or Honeycrisp, chopped, divided
 1 cup thinly sliced celery
 1/2 cup walnuts, toasted and chopped, divided
 1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons raisins, divided
 2 tablespoons Dijon mustard
 2 tablespoons water, more if needed

1 tablespoon red wine vinegar
 1/8 teaspoon sea salt

Method

Place kale in a large bowl. Add half the apple to kale along with celery, 1/4 cup walnuts and 1/4 cup raisins. Put remaining apple in a blender along with remaining 1/4 cup walnuts, remaining 2 tablespoons raisins, mustard, water, vinegar and

salt. Purée until well combined and slightly thick, adding water if needed to thin. Pour dressing over kale salad and toss to combine.

Nutrition Per serving: 140 calories (60 from fat), 7g total fat, 0.5g saturated fat, 0mg cholesterol, 135mg sodium, 20g total carbohydrate (3g dietary fiber, 10g sugar), 3g protein

MUSSELS VINAIGRETTE

Serves 6 to 8 as an appetizer or tapas

These delectable mussels make an ideal light bite to serve as an appetizer or as part of a tapas meal. The key to keeping mussels plump and tender is not to overcook them; watch them carefully and make sure you remove them from the heat the minute they open.



red onion
 1 1/2 tablespoons finely chopped parsley

Method

Place wine in a large saucepan and bring to a boil over high heat. Add mussels and cover the pot; cook, stirring once, until mussels open, about 3 minutes. Immediately remove from the heat and allow mussels to cool. Discard any mussels that do not open.

In a small bowl, whisk together olive oil, vinegar, salt and cayenne. Stir in

red bell pepper, green bell pepper, onion and parsley. Open mussels and place each mussel meat in half of a shell and arrange on a platter. Spoon about 1 teaspoon of vinaigrette into each shell. Cover and refrigerate at least 30 minutes and up to 8 hours.

Nutrition Per serving: 130 calories (70 from fat), 7g total fat, 1g saturated fat, 8g protein, 6g total carbohydrate (0g dietary fiber, 1g sugar), 20mg cholesterol, 510mg sodium

GRILLED FRUIT WITH CARAMELIZED ORANGE SAUCE

Serves 6 to 8

To create even more excitement at the table, vary the fruits to surprise your guests with their favorites. Serve this simple dish as an unusual dessert or as the start of a delicious spring or summer brunch. A bit of advice for the grill cook: be sure the grill rates are very clean and hot to keep the fruit from sticking.



1 pineapple, peeled, cored and cut into thick slices

Method

Whisk together juice, sugar and zest in a small saucepan and bring to a simmer over medium heat. Reduce heat to medium low and simmer until reduced by half, 6 to 8 minutes. Set aside to let cool completely.

Meanwhile, oil the grill grates and preheat to medium-high heat. Working in batches,

arrange peaches, bananas and pineapple on grill in a single layer and cook, carefully flipping once, until just hot throughout and golden brown, 2 to 3 minutes. Transfer fruit to bowls, drizzle with sauce and serve.

Nutrition Per serving: 150 calories (20 from fat), 2g total fat, 0g saturated fat, 0mg cholesterol, 0mg sodium, 33g total carbohydrate (3g dietary fiber, 27g sugar), 1g protein

Ingredients

1/2 cup orange juice
 1/3 cup brown sugar
 1 teaspoon orange zest
 Canola oil, for the grill
 2 large peaches or nectarines, pitted and cut into thick wedges
 2 ripe but firm bananas, peeled, halved lengthwise then crosswise

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Arts

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include creative writing instruction by Marjie Rynearson of Temple, an award-winning, produced playwright and screenplay author, as well as a stage and screen actress. Under her guidance, students will write their own scenes and have the opportunity to perform them in each camp's Friday performance for friends and family.

Esch will help young workshopppers find their funny-bones with exercises in physical comedy, clowning and other circus skills. The veteran of Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus has shared the gift of laughter for 23 years as a professional entertainer in theater, television, movies, circus and street performances.

"Participants will awaken their imaginations while receiving fun-filled instruction in performing and visual arts," Schreiner said. "Our mission is to fuel young imaginations



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by giving them the confidence, direction, encouragement and know-how to express their artistic visions."

"Their joy of self-discovery leads to greater exploration and expression," Edwards added. "Our art studio environment fosters that growth by providing space, materials, time and freedom to

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ment in the arts is associated with gains in math, reading, cognitive ability, critical thinking and verbal skills." Edwards noted. "Arts learning also can improve motivation, concentration, confidence and teamwork."

"It can build strong friendships, provide comfort and self-fulfillment, increase the desire to set and achieve goals, teach

a positive work ethic and a cooperative spirit, and grow appreciation for other things," Schreiner said.

"Each camp session will begin with a yoga-based warm-up of stretching and breathing, leading into dance, movement and imaginative play exercises to stimulate mind and body," she explained. "And that opens up the creative floodgates."

Prepare for summer

By MARY LEW QUESINBERRY
 BELL COUNTY MASTER GARDENER

Bell County enjoyed a cool, moist spring and now that summer is near, we have chores to do to keep our landscapes looking their best. The seedpods of Bluebonnets and poppies have dried and the plants can be removed from the garden and added to the compost area. The seed of

Bluebonnet and poppies can be dispersed now. This will give the hard seed coat time to break down and germinate in the fall. Dianthus, columbine and Gregg's Blue Mist can be deadheaded and trimmed back.

Remove all dead looking foliage. Get aggressive with *Salvia greggii* and trim one third off of the top. You will be rewarded with a plant full of blooms in about three weeks.

Spring blooming shrubs like *lorepetalum* and *Indian Hawthorne* can be pruned now. *Spanish lavender* can be cut back by one third after its blooms start forming seed heads.



Texas Bluebonnet seed can be distributed now for next spring's bloom. It will take most of the summer to wear down its hard seed coat. When the temperature, light, and water needs are met the seeds will germinate in the fall and will start blooming in March.

Spring blooming climbing roses can be pruned after they have finished their bloom. Deadhead roses, zinnias, petunias, and marigolds to keep them blooming. Trim flame acanthus back one third to keep it bushy and to get it ready for its hot weather bloom period.

Hand weed the vegeta-

ble garden and use mulch to help control weeds and to reduce watering needs by 25 percent. Handpick garden pests or remove with high-pressure water spray. Dr. Doug Welch, extension horticulturist at Texas A&M, recommends the organic neem oil to control persistent garden pests. Keep the garden watered, harvested, and organic matter turned into the empty rows to prepare them for the fall garden.

Fertilize lawns with high nitrogen fertilizer and water one inch a week. A rule of thumb is to fertilize Memorial Day, July 4th, and lastly Labor Day.

Avoid weed and seed

products as they can damage landscape plantings. Mow often and raise the mower height to 2 inches for Bermuda, 4 inches for St. Augustine and 6 inches for Buffalo.

Have any questions about gardening in Central Texas? Contact ask. bcmga@gmail.com

Bell County master gardeners are taking applications for the next class starting January 2013. The all-inclusive fee is \$250.

Applications can be downloaded from the website or picked up at the AgriLife Extension Office, 1605 North Main, Belton, Texas. 254-933-5305.

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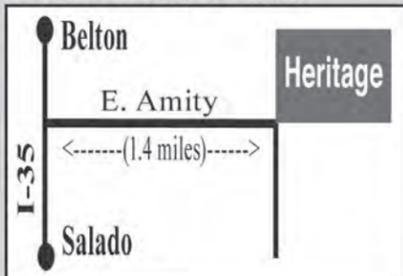
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A: I think you should go ahead and schedule the fireplace cleaning. Worrying about the possibility that the cleaning company will charge you more than usual is silly when you can get a written estimate before they start the work, and compare it to other services in town.

Plus, June is a slower season for chimney and fireplace cleaners, compared to fall when homeowners are in a hurry to get their fireplaces ready for the cold weather. The benefit to you is that you can have greater choice of the day and time you want them to come in and service the chimney. They also should be able to spend more time checking your fireplace, chimney

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A cozy fire may be the last thing on your mind this summer, but proper cleaning in the off season will insure your chimney and flue are in good shape next fall.

and flue for potential dangers, rather than rushing off to the next service call. Some chimney and fireplace service technicians offer discounts at this time of year. Check their website or call the company to ask about any specials they're running.

Again, you have control over how much you're willing to pay for chimney cleaning service. Ask for a written estimate up front, before allowing any work to be performed. If the chimney cleaner detects a problem, ask for a revised estimate, and don't let the additional work done until you have agreed on the work and the price.

HOME TIP: Help prevent a dangerous buildup of creosote in your chimney by burning hotter, cleaner fires. Use well-aged hardwood and crack a window in the room to draw in more oxygen.

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Knowing what pesticides are on your food; Wind turbines and bird conflicts

Dear EarthTalk: How do I learn about what pesticides may be on the food I eat?

-- Beatrice Olson, Cleveland, OH

Along with the rise in the popularity of organic food has come an increased awareness about the dangers lurking on so-called "conventionally produced" (that is, with chemical pesticides and fertilizers) foods.

"There is a growing consensus in the scientific community that small doses of pesticides and other chemicals can have adverse effects on health, especially during vulnerable periods such as fetal development and childhood," reports author and physician Andrew Weil, a leading voice for so-called integrative medicine combining conventional and alternative medical practices. He adds that keeping one's family healthy isn't the only reason to avoid foods produced using chemical inputs: "Pesticide and herbicide use contaminates groundwater, ruins soil structures and promotes erosion, and may be a contributor to 'colony collapse disorder', the sudden and mysterious die-off of pollinating honeybees that threatens the American food supply."

In general, fruits and vegetables with an outer layer of skin or rind that can be peeled and discarded are the safest in terms of pesticide residues. Most pesticides are sprayed on the outside of produce. So if you are going to toss the rind of that cantaloupe, you might as well save money and buy a conventional version. But a red pepper would be a different story: For those items consider it money well spent to go organic.

The non-profit Environmental Working Group (EWG) lists a "dirty dozen" of fruits and vegetables with the highest pesticide load so that consumers know to look for organic varieties of them when possible. The dirty dozen are: apples, celery, strawberries, peaches, spinach,



nectarines, grapes, sweet bell peppers, potatoes, blueberries, lettuce and kale/collard greens.

Another non-profit working hard to raise awareness about pesticide residues on foods is the Pesticide Action Network (PAN). The group's recently launched website and accompanying iPhone app called "What's On My Food" helps consumers know specifically which pesticide residues are likely ending up on their foods (and in their bloodstreams). In creating the database, PAN linked pesticide food residue data with the toxicology for each chemical and made the combined information easily searchable. "Pesticides are a public health problem requiring public engagement to solve," the group reports, adding that "What's On My Food" can be an important tool in raising awareness.

While the website version of "What's On My Food" is helpful for advance planning, the iPhone app is handy while plying the supermarket produce aisles to help decide whether to go for organic vegetables or stick with the cheaper conventional ones. For instance, the database shows that conventionally grown collard greens likely contains residues of some 46 different chemicals including nine known/probable carcinogens, 25 suspected hormone disruptors, 10 neurotoxins and eight developmental/reproductive toxins—not to mention 25 different compounds known to be harmful to honeybees. Spending a

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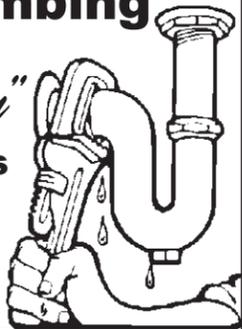
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Dear EarthTalk: One of the objections to wind power has been that the turbines can kill birds. Has there been some progress in developing bird-friendly wind power? -- Marcie Mahoney, Boston, MA

Bird collisions have been one of the primary negatives of the recent growth in wind power across the United States and beyond. The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) estimates that almost a half million birds are killed each year in the U.S. by wind turbines. "Birds can die in collisions with the turbine blades, towers, power lines, or related structures, and can also be impacted through habitat destruction from the siting of turbines, power lines, and access roads," the non-profit American Bird Conservancy reports. "Some birds, such as sage-grouse, are particularly sensitive to the presence of turbines, and can be scared away from their breeding grounds several miles away from a wind development."

In response to this growing problem, the US-



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FWS released new federal guidelines in March 2012 for land-based wind developers trying to avoid or minimize impacts to birds and their habitats. The guidelines are voluntary at this point, but U.S. wind developers interested in a smoother ride through various permitting processes and the blessing of environmental groups—several were consulted extensively in drawing up the new guidelines—are doing their best to make their designs and implementations comply.

The federal government's 22-member Wind Turbine Guidelines Advisory Committee, which included experts from the National Audubon Society, Nature Conservancy, Defenders of Wildlife, Massachusetts Audubon and Bat Conservation In-

ternational, developed the guidelines. Committee members report they are optimistic that the new guidelines provide a path to better protection for birds and their habitats.

"The guidelines steer wind turbines away from vital habitat...and toward land already marked by development," says David Yarnold, National Audubon's President. "They give the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service a place at the table for siting decisions; they help protect sites with high potential risk for birds; and they minimize habitat fragmentation." He adds that the guidelines are based on the best available science and "provide a roadmap to better bird protections across each of America's four great flyways."

Audubon pushed to

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ensure that the guidelines address habitat fragmentation, one of the biggest potential impacts of wind development on birds. Wind developers that cooperate with the guidelines will avoid dividing important habitats like forests and grasslands, thus maintaining their suitability for wildlife.

"These first-ever federal guidelines are a game-changer and big win for both wildlife and clean energy," says Yarnold. "By collaborating with conservationists instead of slugging it out, the wind power industry gains vital support to expand and create jobs, and wildlife gets the protection crucial for survival."

For its part, the American Bird Conservancy would like to take the voluntary out of the guidelines and instead require wind developers to comply. The group recently filed a petition with the U.S. Department of the Interior calling for mandatory rules protecting millions of birds from the negative impacts of wind energy and rewarding responsible wind energy development.

CONTACTS: National Audubon, www.audubon.org; USFWS "Land-Based Wind Energy Guidelines," www.fws.gov/windenergy/docs/WEG_final.pdf; American Bird Conservancy, www.abcbirds.org.



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