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Money's tight for Village of Salado

By TIM FLEISCHER EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

For the first quarter of the fiscal year, the Village of Salado has spent more than it has earned, dipping into its reserves to the tune of more than \$32,000; meanwhile, the hotel/motel occupancy fund has depleted by almost \$22,000 in three months.

Village Treasurer Eldon Miller reviewed the fiscal standing of the Village with aldermen at their Jan. 17 meeting, imploring them to keep a tight grip on spending in the coming months until the franchise utility fee payment from Oncor is received this spring.

The Village anticipates its annual payment of ap-\$110,000 proximately from Oncor in March. According to Miller, that payment should provide a much-needed injection of cash into the village cof-

Even with the deficit spending since aldermen approved the budget expenditures of \$641,835, the Village maintains \$221,013 in invested fund balances, including \$21,670 in checking, \$99,000 in certificate of deposit with Horizon Bank and \$99,340 invested in Texpool.

While income is more than \$5,000 beyond what was budgeted through the first quarter of the fiscal year, expenditures have totaled, expenses had totaled \$147,401.59, which is \$12,446.49 less than budgeted through December 2007.

The expense-income picture is typically a deficit one for the first quarter of the fiscal year, when the Village makes its annual insurance payment. In addition, the Village has spent \$11,652.93 thus far on legal fees, while bud-

geting only \$5,000 for the first quarter.

Miller said aldermen may need to address the legal fees in the overall budget since it is also half of the total allotted for the

The adopted budget calls for deficit spending of almost \$60,000 this year, dipping into the Village reserves built up since incorporation in 2000. The adopted budget anticipates \$586,000 in revenues, \$340,000 of that amount from sales tax receipts and \$641,835 in expenditures.

Miller projected cash flow for the second quarter of the budget year, predicting that the Village will have \$236,020 in revenues and \$178,905 in expenditures. This will increase the cash balance of \$190,411 to \$247,526.

Miller also discussed the past three months of activity in the hotel/motel occupancy tax (HOT) fund, telling alderman that the fund balance dipped from \$44,620 on Sept. 30 to \$22,863 on Dec. 31.

The HOT fund is already more than \$10,000 off in income in the first quarter of the budget year, having received \$53,993.24 through Dec. 31. Meanwhile, expenditures have exceeded \$65,000. However, the budget called for xpenditures in the first three months to total \$80,545.

The total HOT budget is \$254,700 in income and \$248,215 in expenditures, including \$92,100 in sales and marketing costs.

Miller said the HOT fund anticipates \$53,499 in cash in the next three months and \$81,518 in expenditures in the same period through March. One of those anticipated expenses, \$24,000 for a publicist, may be put off until later in the year.



Hook 'em Horns

This photo by Mike Williamson is one of the photographs that is on display as part of the Varied Visions exhibit at Bell County Museum. For more details about the exhibit, turn to the story and photo on page 1B.

Writers take part in Artfully Yours fest

Yours" festival, the Living of Bell County, Texas by Room Theatre of Salado Judge George W. Tyler, will present a three part featuring Lilla Barnes, nan Rawlings, and Tom program 7 p.m. Feb. 22 at Karin Borman, Gwen Morthe Salado Civic Center.

The program will feature a short lecture by Dr. Ramon Carver, "What's Art and What's Not," and performances of two short plays.

The first play, "The Founding And History Of Salado, Texas, in ten minutes (or less), but it may take fifteen (or more)" is

As part of the "Artfully adapted from **The History** rison, Gerald Brown, Vic Means and Bill Wright.

"A Lively Liz Silverthorne Retrospective" will feature Jeanne Barrier as the Narrator, Mary Jean Boston as Ma Ferguson, Paul Boston as Ashbel Smith, Patty Campbell and Margaret Hughes as Mary Read and Anne Bonny, Ann Faber as Louisa May

Alcott, Barbara Harper as Senora Luz de Villa, Hulda Horton as Marjorie Ken-McGlasson as Sam Bass.

Salado Public Library will host a reception for Salado Writers 5 p.m. Feb. 23. The reception will be followed by five-minute readings by local authors, including Rick Armstrong, Charlene Carson, Paul Letourneau, Letta Meinen, Jackie Mills, John Perry, Patsy Sanford, and Shelley

Poetry, **Prose Festival** set here

Central Texas poets and writers of prose will grace Tablerock's inside stage to read their works during Tablerock's 15th annual Central Texas Poetry and Prose Festival 7-9 p.m.

An open microphone at 9 p.m. encourages new poets and writers to read five minutes of their composi-

All participants must read from their original works or have a designated reader. The writer's works may be published or unpublished.

A table will be provided for writers to display published works, sell books or

No admission fee. Refreshments available.

Tablerock Amphitheater is located in Salado, Texas at 409 Royal Street. The indoor stage is located behind the amphitheater stage. Call 947-9205 for more information. e-mail: tablerock1@aol.com

Tryouts set for Legends Auditions for the 2008

season of the outdoor musical drama, Salado Legends, will be 3 p.m. Feb. 2-3 at Tablerock Amphitheater's indoor stage located at 409 Royal Street in Salado, Texas.

Salado Legends requires singers, actors of all ages, dancers, and stage/ tech crew.

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When an assassin succeeds

The roll call of U.S. allies in the Middle East and its neighborhood has always read like a target list: Maliki, Karzai, Sistani, Musharraf. One bullet or one suicide blast could wipe out all our work and rip apart a strategically important country.

Assassinations have steadily picked off pro-Western politicians in Lebanon, and one of our key tribal allies in Western Iraq, Sheik Satter, was murdered shortly after meeting with President Bush. But since Sept. 11, we have been lucky. There have been no assassinations of true geostrategic significance, except perhaps that of anti-Syria former Lebanese Prime Minister Rafik Hariri, whose killing prompted a popular backlash that ended the Syrian occupation of his country.

Until now. Until Benazir Bhutto was killed in a shooting and suicide bombing at the end of a political rally in the city of Rawalpindi. Until her return to Pakistan from exile a few months ago, met immediately with threats to kill her from Islamic extremists, ended in a tragedy that is still shocking even if it seemed inevitable.

It's always been the assassin's conceit that he can move history with a single blow. Sometimes, as most infamously with Gavrilo Princip's shot that precipitated World War I, he succeeds. But it is much harder to do in stable, institutionally mature democracies where established parties can be as important as a single man or woman. Pakistan, alternately ruled by civilian kleptocrats and generals, is not such a country. Bhutto will be hard to replace.

In keeping with the clannishness of Pakistani politics, her Pakistan Peoples Party was entirely dependent on her (authoritarian-style) leadership. Her civilian rival, Nawaz Sharif, who also recently returned from exile, is soft on Islamic militants and has even been accused of having taken bribes from Osama bin

Rich Lowry



Laden. That leaves President Pervez Musharraf, increasingly isolated politically, without a decent civilian ally with whom to try to broaden his support as his country totters from this latest blow.

If Bhutto's murder were to create a spiral of violence in nuclear-armed Pakistan that Musharraf couldn't control, it would be the most successful post-Sept. 11 terrorist act since the bombing of the Golden Mosque in Iraq, which stoked a civil war that nearly brought us to our knees there. Chaos is militancy's friend, and it is much easier to bring about than lawfully constituted order.

For the terrorists, murder rather than persuasion is the very stuff of politics. Where it has no majority support and no democratic inspirational leaders of its own, al-Qaida can always kill and hope to gain in the resulting whirlwind.

As Iraq during the past year shows, chaos needn't prevail. As our Iraq policy spiraled downward in 2006, it benefited from the sort of thorough rethinking that we now need to bring to bear to Pakistan and Afghanistan.

Because what we always feared has happened -- an assassin has killed a strategically significant target. Bhutto's martyrdom will understandably obscure her misrule the first two times she was prime minister. But on her return, she was a frank voice against Islamism, and no one can deny her this: She was very brave.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review. (c) 2008 by King Features Synd., Inc.

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Primary season already taxing voter patience; Pol-chatter forces us to wonder: "Who said what and why?"

"Oh, what a tangled web we weave, When first we practice to deceive." Sir Walter Scott, 1808

The "tangled web" quote by British novelist Sir Walter Scott, defines perfectly our tediously strung-out primary-caucus system of nominating a candidate for president.

Especially when we add the consummate conclusion to Scott's verse, by English essayist J. R. Pope (170 years later), "But when we've practiced quite a while/How vastly we improve our style."

All that may sound cynical (which it may very-well be) but with the primaries less than a month old - many of our fellow citizens already feel they're caught up in an interminable episodic undertaking that builds nonsensical mountains of foolishness so high, that few are able to remember "who said what and\or why?"

Then, with **nine more months** of this verbiage assault ahead of us, we're expected to wisely decide who our next president should be. Truly an assignment of gargantuan proportions and expectations.

SATURDAY'S WINNERS: CLINTON, MCCAIN, ROMNEY

Results of last Saturday's Democratic caucus in Nevada together with the Republican effort in South Carolina and Nevada, can best be summarized by reporting that most of the front runners are still running, although in slightly different positions.

Hillary Clinton won the Nevada caucus popular vote (51%) but somehow lost the delegate count (13-12) to Barack Obama whose popular vote amounted to 45 percent of the total. John Edwards eked out four percent of the vote.

Clinton's win over Obama's strong union force, came from a large Hispanic vote that countered the polls, predictions and pundits.

Over on the Republican side - Mitt Romney won the popular Nevada vote (51%), with Ron Paul taking a surprising second place with only 14 percent. John McCain racked up 13 percent.

McCain however was the winner in the South Carolina primary vote with a 33 to 30 percent edge over Mike Huckabee whose evangelicals failed to give him an "expected" victory. Romney and Fred Thompson earned 16 to 15 percent respectively.

FINAL VOTES BEFORE SUPER TUESDAY

Three primaries and one caucus remain before Super Tuesday. **Democrats:** primaries in South Carolina (Jan 26) and Florida (Jan 29); **Republicans:** January 29, Florida primary and the Maine caucus on February 1.

Today's question: Which of the current contenders will survive the final four primaries, and remain intact for the monstrous political bug-tussle on February 5?

Democrats (on that day) will be holding 15 primaries and 7 caucuses; Republicans - 14 primary votes and 7 caucuses. Up for grabs are 3156 delegate votes (2075 Demo and 1081 GOP) and when the votes are tallied, we suspect that today's leaders will remain about the same, with only positional changes.

That would mean Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama for sure and perhaps even John Edwards, will stay in the Democratic hunt. GOPers Mitt

Off the Record by Ken Clapp



Romney, John McCain, Mike Huckabee (maybe) and Rudy Giuliani (our add-on), are also expected to be back on the primary road immediately after February 5's "super dust-up."

BANK OF AMERICA BUYS COUNTRYWIDE!

In the course of researching the \$4.1 billion purchase of Countrywide Financial Corporation by the Bank of America Corporation, we ran across several items that may actually anger (or at least upset) readers, who are currently stumbling through some heavy duty economic difficulties - that none of us created (or even helped create)!

Countrywide, as everyone knows, was the leading proponent of the sub-prime mortgage fiasco which started us down the current "primrose recession path." Related to the home mortgage debacle, are other interconnected Countrywide matters that need "fresh-airing."

\$20 MILLION SUBSIDY TO COUNTRYWIDE

First - there's that \$20 million State subsidy from the Texas Enterprise Fund "given" to Countrywide in 2004 to "help" the multi-billion dollar giant build additional offices for workers they planned to hire.

Countrywide's promise to add 7,500 new Texas employees, was halted in 2007 (when the home-mortgage bubble burst), resulting in the dismissal of some 11,000 employees nationwide (Texas personnel reduction numbers - unavailable).

CORPORATE WELFARE

Bear in mind that the Enterprise Fund is one of Guv Goodhair's two favorite creations (Trans Texas Corridor is the other). And also remember that the money put into the "fund" comes directly from you and me (aka taxpayers)!

Most objective economists have properly called this "grant-aid" nothing more than "corporate welfare." It would be fair-minded (actually miraculous) if our conservative "bidness" friends would ever admit there's no real difference between corporate and individual welfare assistance (the latter being "anathema" to right-wingers).

COUNTRYWIDE OWNS \$55 BILLION THRIFT

The second item of interest, in this saga of greed and criminal mismanagement, are two of Countrywide's assets, that presumably will become the assets of Bank of America. First there's a \$55 billion federally regulated thrift that Countrywide owns and operates.

Plus the startling fact that Countrywide collects and distributes payments on more than 9 million home loans worth \$1.5 trillion (that's a thousand billions, folks).

No doubt you've already figured out that Countrywide was not a "mom and pop" operation that nearly went bankrupt, and is being "graciously" rescued by BOA.

Bank of America will - if they use wise banking skills, profit from their new acquisition. Fact is, it could easily become a major financial bonanza. We suspect BOA will in fact mind their banking "P's and Q's" - since there's money to be made in this venture (and also because everyone, including regulators, will be watching).

That's -30-

Your Voice

Readers Opinion

To the Editor:

I live in this small village of Salado, Texas and in keeping with all village traditions throughout the world I hereby declare my candidacy for Village Idiot. I do not do this lightly. I have pondered the ramifications and responsibilities of being the local idiot but I nevertheless feel compelled to declare my idiocy because after being daily bombarded by the news media's account of the convoluted crisis in our foreign policy between our President and Congress plus the gymnastic contortions of both political parties candidates for President I see a simple solution to this complex problem.

The President should declare an immediate victory in the Iraq War based upon the following:

- The weapons of mass destruction are not there.
- There was not a single Iraqui involved in 9/11
- Saddam Hussein and his sadistic sons are deceased.
- The people of Iraq held democratic elections.

Immediately after this announcement arm the usual talking heads with the above discussion points and dispatch them to all mass media outlets. Appoint a blue ribbon committee of stalwart supporters to organize a national victory celebration with parades, concerts, speeches and memorials. Since we

have been victorious our troops can return home to the accolades they deserve for their heroic participation in this endeavor.

The Department of State can begin facilitating the Republic of Iraq's decentralization into four ethnic states. The regions could be called Kurdistan, Sunistan, Shiastan, and Haliburtonstan. The first three will be roughly based upon territorial occupancy and the last will be a corporate district independently responsible for the exploitation and equitable distribution of proceeds from Iraq's mineral wealth to the other three states.

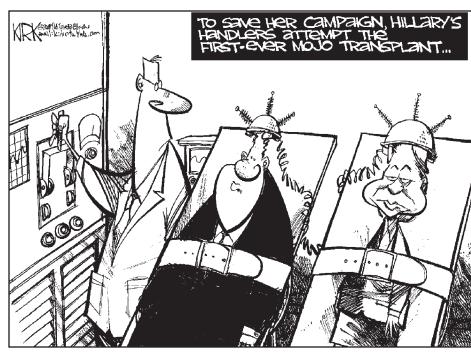
I realize that there's probably a little fine tuning that this plan will require, like what day should the victory celebration occur (Is July 4th too soon?) and issues like, "Do we invite the Dixie Chicks to sing at the concert?"... but I'm sure that all of these details can be worked out... but hey, what do I know? I'm an idiot.

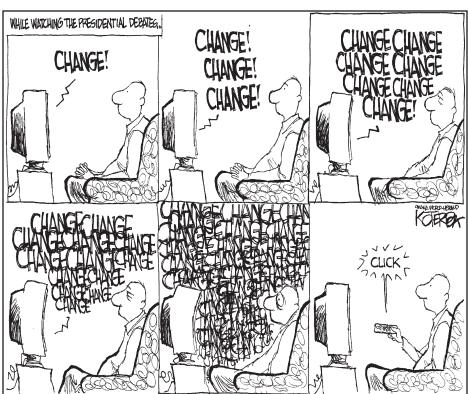
Gary D. Askins

Editor's note: Last week's letter concerning ETJ issues and the Village of Salado was written by Tom Curb, of Salado. His name inadvertently dropped out of the text box after corrections on the page were made and the file was turned into a PDF.

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Cost of living extremely well



Jim Hightower

Time for another peek into the "Lifestyles of the Rich and Cranky."

The vast majority of Americans - those making \$50,000 a year or less - are stretching to make ends meet these days, but I'll bet they never pause to think about how hard life is for their fellow citizens who're immensely rich. Luckily, we have "Forbes" magazine's "Cost of Living Extremely Well Index" to inform us about this suffering.

Yes, the über-rich are getting ever more über, but what you probably don't know is that the cost of their lavish lifestyles is increasing astronomically. Were you aware, for example, that the price of a catered dinner for 40 of your closest friends jumped 31 percent in the past year? You used to entertain them for \$7,500 but now it's nearly \$10,000. It's enough to drive you to McDonalds!

Also, while some families worry about the increase in the price of home heating, few ever think about the fact that the price of a Russian sable fur coat is up 18 percent, now topping \$225,000. But if you want to run with the big dogs of wealth, you really have no choice but to pay the freight. Being super-rich, after all, is about saving face with your peers. Speaking of which, did you know that a facelift that cost some \$14,000 last year now will set you back \$17,000?

Sometimes, you just want to get away from it all, which is why so many of the swells are moving into double-wides. Not house trailers, darling double-wide private jets! They only cost \$150 million each, and they're said to be as comfy as mobile mansions.

The good news is you can still get a 45-minute session with a New York Upper East Side psychiatrist for \$300. Now that's a bargain that every stressed-out rich person should jump at.

For more information on Jim Hightower's work – and to subscribe to his award-winning monthly newsletter, The Hightower Lowdown, visit www.jimhightower.com.

Profiles in change, forces for good

(By Ed Feulner)

The presidential campaigns have boiled down to one word: "change." Candidates from both parties insist they're agents of "change." Elect me, each says, and our government and our country will be better.

Maybe the winner will actually succeed. But it will be an uphill job. Bureaucracies are designed to withstand change. So it's not enough to talk about making changes. You have to deliver change, in a way that makes life better.

Consider the group America's Second Harvest. In the late 1960s, it opened the country's first food bank to distribute excess food (that would otherwise have been thrown away) to the needy. It set safety standards that allowed companies to donate without worrying they were turning food over to unprofessional charities. Today there are Second

Harvest food banks across the country.

"America's Second Harvest now moves more than two billion pounds of donated food a year, feeding more than twenty-five million people," write Leslie Crutchfield and Heather McLeod Grant in their new book, "Forces for Good." Today, "the group resembles a national grocery store chain more than a typical nonprofit."

The authors studied hundreds of nonprofit organizations, trying to determine why many fail and, more importantly, why others survive and grow. In the end, they decided to focus on 12 successful organizations, including the one I lead, The Heritage Foundation.

They found that working with business is a good strategy. "Big government is out, and market-based capitalism is in," the authors write. "Leading social sector organizations are rising to the challenge, finding ways to address

the world's problems by working with, and through, government and business to launch innovative solutions."

Consider another organization Crutchfield and McLeod Grant analyze: Teach for America. "It seeks to transform the entire educational system," they write. That's an audacious goal. Teach for America is succeeding by convincing graduates of our country's leading universities -- young people who have job offers from Wall Street firms and consulting companies -- to instead spend two years teaching, usually in poor neighborhoods.

The organization "has changed how we think about teacher credentialing, made teaching in public schools 'cool,' and created a vanguard for education reform among America's future leaders," the authors write. Today, former Teach for America educators are "launching charter schools, running

for elected office, managing education foundations and working as school principals."

Most important, Teach for America gets results in the classroom. A study in 2004 by Mathematica Policy Research found that corps members "produced higher test scores than the other teachers in their schools; not just other novice teachers or uncertified teachers, but also veterans and certified teachers."

Crutchfield and McLeod Grant also review what doesn't work: confrontation and violence. "None of the high-impact nonprofits that we studied use extremist tactics to achieve social change," they note. There's a lesson there for groups such as Greenpeace and Code Pink: You're shooting yourselves in the foot.

These extremists would be more successful if they'd avoid standoffs and follow the model pioneered by the group Environmental Defense. It's created partnerships with big businesses such as McDonald's and Wal-Mart to reduce waste and clean the environment. Markets work, and Environmental Defense helped "create new markets to change corporate behavior," the authors write. Environmental Defense is now dedicated to "Finding the Ways That Work." Sound advice for any advocate.

The Heritage Foundation has devoted itself to the mission of reducing the size and scope of government. Much remains to be done, but we've already scored some big victories.

We're proud that Crutchfield and McLeod Grant consider us a force for good, and we hope that, as we keep fighting for our values, we'll also encourage others to do so. That's the best way to deliver the "change" our country

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BUT YOU CAN CONTROL YOUR DECISIONS.

Sometimes the market reacts poorly to world events, but just because the market reacts doesn't mean you should. Still, if current events are making you feel uncertain about your finances, you should schedule a complimentary portfolio review. That way, you can make sure you're in control of where you want to go and how you get there.

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Will presidential election year affect investors?

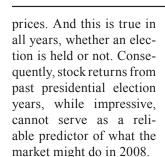
As you are no doubt aware, 2008 is a presidential election year. As a citizen, you may well have a great deal of interest in the election. But how about as an investor? How does an election year affect the investment climate? And - again from the perspective of an investor - does it matter who wins?

To begin with, let's examine how the stock market reacted in the past to the selection of a president. The Dow Jones Industrial Average rose in nine of the past 11 presidential election years, with an average gain of slightly more than nine percent. So it's clear that, for the most part, the market has done pretty well when America goes to the polls.

Does the election or reelection of a president just make us more optimistic, leading us to invest more heavily and thereby drive up the markets? Probably not. In reality, many factors - such as corporate profits, geopolitical concerns, interest rates and inflation - drive stock

Financial Focus

by Allen Mantanona



Now, let's turn to the next question: As an investor, how will the outcome of the election affect you? There's not really a simple answer. In the past, the stock market has performed well - and performed poorly -under both Democrats and Republicans. Of course, candidates of both parties will have different priorities and try to enact different economic agendas, and these priorities may have some impact - although one that's notoriously hard to predict - on different market sectors. In short,

no one can accurately forecast the effect of this November's election on the financial markets, and that won't change even after the nominees are

Instead of pondering the "what-ifs" involved in a presidential election, vou're much better off following some tried-andtrue investment strategies. Here are a few to consider:

Keep on investing. World events may be good or bad, and the stock market may be up or down - but no matter what happens, the most successful investors stay in the market. Look for quality investments and hold them until either your needs change, or the investments themselves undergo some type of transformation.

Know your risk tolerance. If you're losing sleep at night over your investments, you're probably

Buy now, retire later!

taking on more risk than the amount with which you are comfortable. At the same time, if your investments are putting you to sleep, they may be too conservative, which could mean they're not providing the growth necessary to help you meet your goals. Strive for a balance that fits your investment personality.

Think long-term. If you're constantly adjusting your investment mix in response to short-term events, you'll probably rack up big commissions and you almost certainly won't make the necessary progress toward your important objectives, such as a comfortable retirement. So, train yourself to ignore daily or weekly or monthly price fluctuations and keep your eyes on the far horizon. If you've chosen the right investments, they should be designed to help you work towards your goals in exchange for your patience.

This November, don't forget to vote. But before and after Election Day, cast your ballot for solid investment technique.

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By Ryan Hodge Have you been hearing that it's a buyer's market?

Buying and Selling

Take a look at local home prices. Have you been told that there's no time like the present to plan your retirement? Again, take a look at those prices, and then think about investing for your future.

When retirement nears, many of us consider making a move, either to a more desirable location or maybe into a smaller home. How do you think home prices now will compare to prices in the future? Buyer's market or not, you can bet that home values will rise.

Even if you're years from retirement, you could consider buying your retirement home right now. If you've built up substantial equity in your current home, you're in a great position for financing on that second home. Even if you can't afford to buy it outright, you'll certainly qualify for more attractive terms on the mortgage.

You see, if you're buying a second home as a residence, most lenders will offer you a lower interest rate than if you were buying another home simply as a real estate investment. Honestly, though, what better "investment" could you make than to purchase your dream retirement property now, while prices are certainly lower than they will be in five to ten years? Consult with a real estate agent and your financial advisor to learn

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Girls in command of 25AA district race at perfect 9-0

Salado Lady Eagles continue their romp through District 25AA competition with wins last week over the Academy Lady Bees and Jarrell Lady Cougars.

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Salado Lady Eagles ran away from the Jarrell Lady Cougars from the start of their Jan. 18 game at home, taking a 28-11 halftime

Fresh, JV boys basketball

Freshman Boys 39 Academy 31 Score by quarter

1 2 3 4 F 9th 6 13 8 12 39 Acad. 0 13 5 13 31

Shannon Ponder led Salado with 13 points scored. Followed by Cole Brentham who scored 7 points.

Also scoring for Salado were: Cameron Cooke, scored 6 points; Colby Montgomery, scored 5 points; Cole Caulder, scored 4 points; Brandon Heller and Cody Wortham each scored 2 points.

Freshman Boys 26
Jarrell 31
Score by quarter 1 2 3 4

1 2 3 4 F 9th 6 13 8 12 26 Jarrell 3 7 13 8 31

Brentham, Caulder, and Cook led Salado in scoring with 6 points each.

Also scoring for Salado were: Oyler, scored 5 points; Montgomery, scored 2 points; and Wortham scored one point.

JV Boys 31
Academy 47
Score by quarter 1 2 3 4 F
JV 6 7 0 18 31
Acad. 8 11 15 13 47

Braxton Tucker, Taylor Rudduck, and Tyler Coker led Salado each scoring 8 points. Followed by Clint Scarborough, Hunter Ward, and Paul Warren each scoring 2 points.

JV Boys 59

Jarrell 34

Score by quarter 1 2 3 4 F

JV 13 14 19 13 59

Jarr. 8 6 5 15 34

Tucker led Salado with 11 points scored. Followed by Heiner and Coker each scoring 10 points.

Also scoring for Salado were: Scarborough, scored 9 points; Ward, scored 8 points; Little, scored 6 points; Rudduck, scored 3 points; and Stuckey scored 2 points.

lead.

The girls added 27 points in the third quarter and coasted to the 64-40 thrashing of Jarrell to remain a perfect 9-0 in district play as of press time Jan. 22. The girls are 18-6 on the year.

The girls were led by a trio of freshman players: Hadley Joiner, Brennan Boydstun and Jenna Sebek.

Joiner started off with two three point shots in the first quarter on her way to a 20 point game. She also had seven rebounds, six steals and five assists on the night.

Boydstun followed with 19 points. She had five steals and five assists on the night.

Sebak had nine points, five rebounds and five steals on the night.

Also scoring for the Lady Eagles in the contest were these:

Connor Smith, 6 points, two rebounds, three assists, three steals.

Lupe Perez, 4 points, four rebounds, three steals.

Kristen Smith, 2 points, a rebound, three assists, four steals.

Danielle Hazzard, 2 points, three rebounds, and assist and two steals

Billi Pipes, 1 point.

Salado 60 Academy 47 Score by quarter

1 2 3 4 F Sal 10 21 12 17 60 Jar 8 14 16 9 47

Salado Lady Eagles scored 21 points in the second quarter and 17 in the fourth to put away the Jarrell Lady Cougars 60-47 on Jan. 15.

Joiner had two three pointers as part of her team-leading 14 points. She also grabbed eight boards, made four assists and had three steals on the night.

C. Smith also had 14 points, 11 of them coming in the game-breaking second period. Smith also had a rebound, three assists and two steals.

K. Smith had nine points, all coming on long-range shots. She also contributed a rebound and three assists.

Boydstun also had nine points, shooting four-of-five from the free throw line. She also made three rebounds, two steals and four assists.

Sebek had 8 points on the night. She had 14 rebounds, 12 of them on the defensive boards, as well as and assist and a steal.

Hazzard had 4 points and two rebounds.

Kaylan Hearne had two points, two rebounds.

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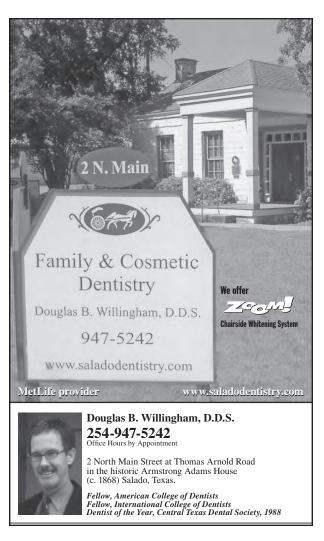


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Cagers drop two straight against Jarrell, Academy to fall back in race

Losing twice in the past week, the Salado Eagles varsity basketball squad has fallen to fourth place in the district 25AA race for the playoffs through the first round of play.

Salado 43 Jarrell 50 Score by quarter

1 2 3 4 F Sal 8 8 11 16 43 Jar 20 8 9 13 50

Jarrell Cougars held off the Salado Eagles in the second half of their contest Jan. 18, taking advantage of a 20-8 first quarter lead.

The Eagles outscored Jarrell 27-22 in the second half and scored as much in the fourth quarter as they did in the entire first half, but could not close the 12 point gap, losing 43-50 at home to the Cougars.

Tom Baine shot 50 percent from beyond the arc, netting three three-pointers as he led the Eagles with 15 points on the night. He also shot 50 percent from inside the arc with three two-pointers. Baine also grabbed five rebounds and made one assist in the game.

David Rosenau was the other Eagle to gain double figures with 12 points on three-of-12 from the field and six-of-seven from the free throw line. Rosenau also had six rebounds, two steals and a shot block.

Nick Seawood had 9 points on three-of-nine shooting from the field, as well as two-of-two from the free throw line. Seawood also snatched three steals and made two assists on the night.

Jared Lutz had 4 points and two rebounds, while Clayton Whitmire had 2 points, one board and two steals.

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Salado 60
Academy 69
Score by quarter 1 2 3 4 F
Sal 20 17 12 11 60
Ac 10 18 20 21 69

Salado Eagles gave up 42 points in the second half of their district 25AA varsity basketball contest Jan. 15 and lost their nine point lead, falling to the Bees on their home court 60-69.

Salado had a healthy 37-28 lead after the first half, but the Bees put up 20 points in the third quarter to close the gap to one point entering the fourth quarter.

Salado committed 21 turnovers during the game, allowing Academy to capitalize on the mistakes.

Four Eagles had double figures in the high-scoring game, but Lutz and Academy's Kelton led all scorers with 15 points.

Lutz shot five of 10 from the field and three-of-three

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from the free throw line. He also had three rebounds and a steal on the night.

Baine and Seawood both scored 12 points in the game. Seawood shot fourof-six from the field and four-of-five free throws. He also two rebounds, three assists and a steal.

Baine shot four-of-six from the field and two-of-two from the stripe. He led the squad with seven rebounds, three steals and two assists.

Rosenau was four-of-10 from the field on his way to 11 points. He shot one-of-three from the line. Rosenua had six rebounds, two steals and an assist.

Garret Ward had six points on three-of-seven shooting from the field. He also had three rebounds and two steals.

Blake Heller and Barton Grigsy both had two points on the night. Heller also grabbed a rebound.

Junior High

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Jodi Conrad, 2 points. Megan Mattson, 2 points. Jodi Conrad was the outstanding player.

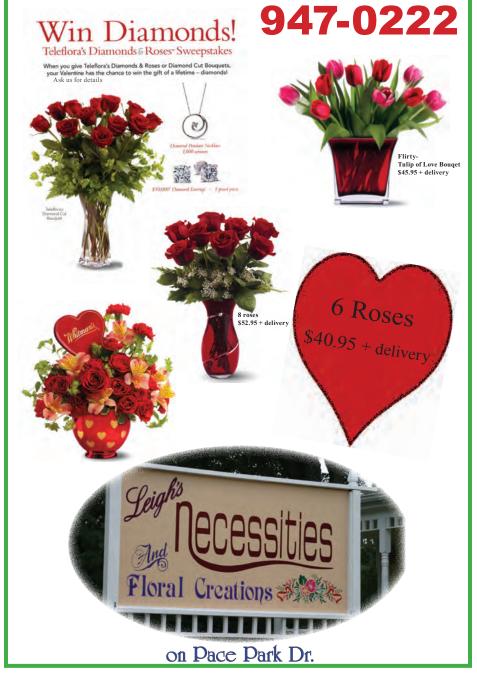
Salado 36
Academy 20
Madi DePriest, 10 points.
Jenna Franz, 8 points.
Megan Mattson, 6 points.
Ashley Land, 4 points.
Amber Monk, 4 points.
Stephanie White, 2 points.
Paige Meritt, 2 points.
Stephanie White was the outstanding player.

8th B Girls Champions of Troy Tournament.
Salado 25
Troy 12
Taylor Marburger, 8 points.
Katie Flippo, 6 points.
Helena Carroll, 4 points.
Kori Norman, 2 points.
Elaina Magee, 2 points.
Francisca Perez, 2 points.
Sharla Gilchrest, 1 point.
Taylor Marburger was the

outstanding player.

Salado 23
Academy 13
Francisca Perez, 6 points.
Abby Rangel, 4 points.
Elaina Magee, 4 points.
Sharla Gilchrest, 3 points.
Kori Norman, 2 points.
Helena Carroll, 2 points.
Katie Flippo, 2 points.
Francisca Perez and Helena Carroll were outstanding players.





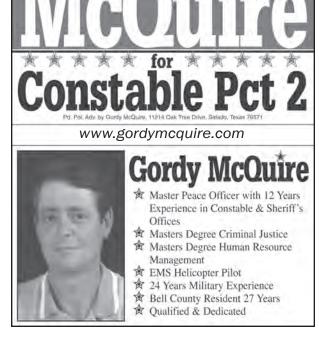


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SIS cagers sweep Florence, **Girls win Troy 'B' tourney**

All eight Salado Intermediate School boys and girlsbasketball teams swept the Florence Buffs on Jan. 21. Following are the game results. Meanwhile, the Junior high girls B teams both won the Troy B Team Tournament on Jan. 19.

Boys 7th B 22 Florence District Record (7-0) Austin Adams, 8 points. Josh Oyler, 4 points. Jonathan Franz, 2 points. Josh Robinson, 2 points. Thomas Armstrong, 4 points. Cameron Kirchmeier, 2 points.

Boys 7th A 20 Florence District Record (4-4). Overall Record (5-6). Andrew Warren, points. Samuel Barrett, 4 points. Brandon Womac, points. Bryce Martin, 2 points. John Peguese, 8 points. Jimmerson, points.

Boys 8th B 10 Florence

District Record (6-0) Austin Armstrong, points.

Cole Goodrum, 2 points. Devan Patterson, 2 points.

Boys 8th A 39 Florence 15 District Record (8, 0), Overall Record (10, 1) Koby Spears, 10 points. Bernard Luna, 2 points. Jada Kornegay, 2 points. Cason Kleypas, 2 points. Colton Meiman, points. Kyle Bradley, 4 points. Sean McBryde, 8 points.

8th A Girls Florence Carling Urben, 8 points. Lorna Payne, 6 points. McGillick, Kirsti points. Chelsea Boaz, 2 points. Dakota Baker, 2 points. Taylor Eary, 2 points. Chelsea Rank, 2 points. Rachel Piatt, 2 points.

8th Girls B 18 Florence Elaina Magee, 4 points. Francisca Perez, 4 points. Taylor Marburger, points. Helena Carroll, 2 points. Morgan Daniels, 2 points.

Abby Rangel, 2 points.

7th Girls A 20 Florence 11 Kaci Wells, 8 points. Haley Williams, 6 points. Kylie Robinson, 2 points. Mattie Price, 2 points. Meredith Ward, 2 points.

7th Girls B 27 Florence Madi DePriest, 12 points. White, Stephanie points. Ashley Land, 4 points. Morgan Taylor, 3 points. Kourtney Walker,

Next game: *Rogers A Tournament Saturday, January 26

* Home game vs. Jarrell Monday, January 28

Salado Intermediate School girls "B" teams both won the Troy B Team Tournament on Jan. 19.

Following are the results of those games:

7th B Girls Salado 13 Troy 5 Jenna Franz, 7 points.

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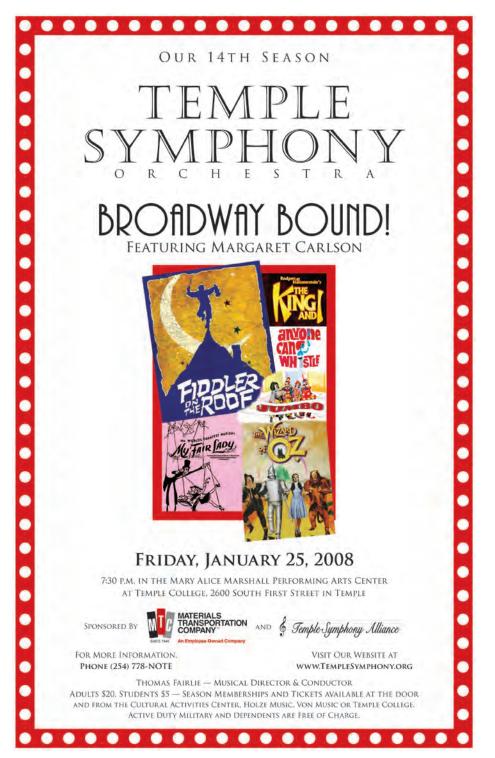
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Iraq's age as nation, security and religion have been problems in war

Iraq has only been a country since the 1920s.

"Unlike American citizens, Iraqis might not consider themselves Iraqi," Lt. Col. RObert B. Walter told the Salado Rotary Club last week "Instead, they may identify themselves

as a member of a tribe or ed a high degree of comfamily. The concept of a nation is not a part of their culture."

This is only one of the factors overlooked in the planning stages of the invasion of Iraq and control of the region.

Another major factor overlooked was the security infrastructure in Iraq. "Saddam had multiple layers of security in place. Many of them were inept, but in combination provid-

Salado Sox 13U baseball team will have an open practice Jan. 19 & 26 for anyone who would be committed to joining a tournament team for the '08 season. The practice will be held at the Salado Sophomore field both days beginning at 10 a.m. Interested participants need to email ssoxbaseball@ yahoo.com for more information.

mand and control for Saddam," LTC Walter said.

"From Regular Army conscripts and police on street corners to the Republican Guard, Special Republican Guard, Baath Party Militia and the Fedallin," he added, "Saddam used these forces against each other to induce people to follow his orders."

The impact of religion may not have been fully considered prior to the invasion sicne Hussein operated a somewhat secular government. However, it appears that many operatives in the region easily pervert the local religion in order to attain their desires, good or bad.

LTC Walter spoke to the group after spending 30 months on the ground in Iraq and a great deal of time on the streets of Iraq. He took command of the 163rd Military Intelligence Battalion at Ft. Hood and was sent back to Iraq where he dealt heavily with the Human Intelligence.

LTC Robert B. Walter, Battalion commander, 163d MI Battalion, Fort Hood, TX as our guest speaker. LTC Walter now

lives in Salado and recently returned from Iraq. This coming Friday is his Battalion Change of Command Ceremony and he will be retiring from the service later on this year after 21 years of service.

He returned to the state in November 2007.

LTC Walter spent 12 years in Europe (his Intelligence focus). In the Fall of 2001, the US Army V Corps was ordered to start preparing to invade Iraq. They did not go there until

LTC Walter was one of the lead Intelligence Planners for V Corps and reminded the group of how quickly the invasion proceeded. V Corps was actually first in Baghdad.

REPORTED BY WALT TOLLEFSON

SWSC meeting set for Jan. 24

The Annual Membership Meeting of the Salado Water Supply Corporation will be 6:30 p.m. Jan. 24 at the Salado Civic Center.

The meeting will provide information concerning Salado Water Supply Corporation and gives members the opportunity to ask questions.







Zelma Taylor services held in Robstown

Zelma Wright Taylor, age 95, passed away peacefully at home January 11, 2008.

Born near Elgin in Bastrop County, Texas on February 24, 1912, she was the daughter of Barney E. and Mae McClintock Wright. Upon moving south of Robstown in 1917, they became one of Nueces County's pioneer farm families. She graduated from Robstown High School and attended Texas A&I College until the Depression sent her home. She met her future husband of 52 years, Johnny Taylor, at his job at Boucher's Drugstore in Robstown, and they married on October 31, 1932. She and Johnny raised three children and moved to Salado, Texas upon retirement in 1979, where she lived for the next twenty-four years. She lived in Lewisville near her sons



Zelma Wright Taylor

during the last few years of her life. Zelma was an accomplished artist and author, but she dreamed of acting. In her later years, she realized those dreams when she performed in the annual Tablerock Festival production "Salado Legends", and was an extra in the 1995 film starring Robert Duvall, "Stars Fell on Henrietta". She was an active member of the Robstown Art Colony, and at the time of her death, the

bible study she had written during the past twenty years was being published. She had been a member of the First Christian Church in Corpus Christi, and later in Temple. Zelma was a friend to all, she was loved by all who knew her, and she was an inspiration and mentor to her children. We will greatly miss her and doing things "her way". She was preceded in death by her parents. her husband, her brother Horace E. Wright, and her daughter Zanda M. Boone.

She is survived by her son

Mike Taylor and his wife Cheri of Highland Village, Texas, her son Lance Taylor and his wife Mary Jane of The Colony, Texas, her son-in-law Elmer E. Boone, her grandchildren Tommy Boone, Sabrina Stuckey and her husband Parker, John Taylor, Lauren Callahan and her husband Kevin, Michelle Taylor, and Creed Taylor.

Services were held Monday, January 14 at Sawyer-George Funeral Home. Graveside services will follow with burial at Robstown Memorial Park.



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Helen Ford Poppell, 84 passes away Jan. 21

Helen Ford Poppell, 84, of Belton, died Monday, January 21 in a Belton nursing center.

Mrs. Poppell was born to Wendell B. and Phyllis Symonds Ford in Columbus, Ohio on June 25, 1923. She married James William Poppell in New York City in 1950. She had been a resident of Bell County since 1971, moving here from Denver, Colorado. Prior to her retirement, she was employed as secretary for the Temple Cultural Activities Center for several years. She also owned and operated Helen's Catering Service for several years.

Poppell was a member of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Bell Coun-

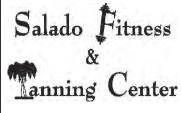
Survivors include one son, James Ford Poppell of Calvert; two daughters, Carol Fleck and Anne P. Gibson, both of Belton; one sister, Marjorie Sethna of Minneaplois, Minnesota; and three grandchildren. She was preceded in death by here husband in 1996 and one sister, Phyllis Symonds Ford.

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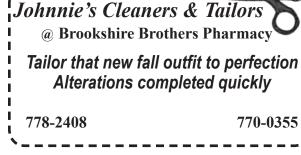
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Anabelle Vittoria Sands, born Dec. 27, 2007, 7 lbs, 12 ozs, and 18 inches long. Parents are Monty and Caroline Sands of Irving, Texas. Grandparents are Cathy and Larry Sands, of Salado, and Roger and Pat Jasper of Bedford, Texas. Great Grandparents are Robert and Doris Denman of Salado.



Brooklynn Dawn Weister

Brooklynn Dawn Weister was born January 6, 2008 to Amy and Michael Weister of Granville, West Virginia. Brooklynn was born at 8:57 a.m. and weighed 7 lbs. 9 oz. and was 21 inches in length. Grandparents are Tammy Clark of Morgantown, WV; Don Brotherton of Maidsville, WV; Jim and Martha Weister of New Castle, Delaware; Nancy and Skip Carter of Salado. Great grandparents are Buck and Shirley Turner of Masontown, WV and Lois Shepperd of Salado.



Church of Christ hosts "Escape" in concert Jan. 26

"Escape" the contemporary, Christian, a capella, quartet, will perform in concert this Saturday night, Jan. 26, at the Salado Church of Christ Activity Center

This Christian concert is a fundraisng event for the Salado Church of Christ

youth group upcoming Mexico mission trip

Tickets are \$2 for students and \$3 for adults and can be purchased from Ben at the church office, or at the door.

Doors open at 6 p.m., and the concert starts at 6:30 and end 8 p.m.

Cedar Valley Baptist adds 4th Friday night singing

tist Church has added a Monthly Fourth Friday Night Singing. This month the event will be held 7 p.m. Jan. 25 at the church which is located on FM 2843, eight miles west of I-35, toward Florence. Music Director. Donnie

The Cedar Valley Bap- Jackson says to "Come prepared to sing or come and be blessed by wonderful Gospel Music." The church welcomes everyone in the community to attend the event. A light meal will be served in the fellowship hall after the service. For more information call 947-

AUSA accepting scholarship applications through April 25

The Central Texas-Fort as 76540-1150 by noon Hood Chapter of AUSA is now accepting applications for academic year 2008 higher education scholarships. Application Forms are now in counselor offices at all area high schools, local colleges or

universities and at the Ft. Hood Education Center.

Applications are due to Steve Hanik, Chapter Scholarship Coordinator, c/o EMBARQ, P.O. Box 1150, Killeen, Tex(CST) on Friday, April 25. Scholarships will be presented on June 12, 2008 at a luncheon to be held on Fort Hood.

"Last year, this chapter distributed \$1,000 scholarships to 58 exceptionally qualified applicants, and we expect to present a greater number this year," said Steve Hanik

You can download an application from thechapter's website at www.forthoodausa.org.

Caskey and Mitchel named to UMHB Provost honor roll

The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor announced that Matthew S. Caskey of Salado and Colleen Michelle Mitchel also of Salado have been listed among the 367 students that have been named on

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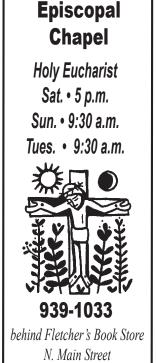
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The First Baptist Church in Salado presents Adam Paul Williams in Concert Sunday, 6 p.m. January

Growing up as an "All-American" guy, Adam Paul Williams developed three major themes in his life; a love of sports, a set of deep family values, and a love of Christian music. His high school years in Carthage, Texas were spent in baseball, choir and playing percussion, but his love of music and his core family values are the legacy of a loving family that remains strong today.

"Growing up, my dad was in a Southern Gospel quartet," Adam Paul recalls, "and I always traveled around with them listening to them sing. From my earliest memories, I was surrounded by Christian music. Just having a family who loves the Lord has taught me the importance of a spiritual walk with Christ. I accepted Christ when I was nine years old. I grew up in the church, and when I realized what I needed to do and felt God calling me, I decided to accept Him." On Father's Day, 1991, Adam Paul's parents led him in a prayer of salvation to his Heavenly Father, and he was baptized just a few weeks later.

Adam Paul admits his hearts desire is to be able to sing the Lord's praises forever; "I love going to churches and singing for people. No matter what comes of my professional career, I always want to be able to give God all the glory. Even if I end up singing on a street corner, it will bring me joy because I know I'm using the gifts God game me to glorify Him.

"Although I do more contemporary music now, I still have a passion for singing the classic gospel music. Along with singing songs from contemporary artists, I also love to sing the songs of the Gaithers, the Cathedrals and other classic Christian artists. My vocal performance degree in college opened my eyes to opera and other classical styles of music. I love singing classical music and a lot of those techniques have influenced my own singing style." Concert goers will enjoy hearing both traditional and contemporary music from Adam Paul Williams.

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Cookie sales will continue through Feb. 22 from Salado Brownies.

Cub Scouts safety tools available

Cub Scouts of Pack 177 are helping the community be prepared by

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Varied Visions

Display will feature works of diverse photographers

The Public Arts League of Salado will open the photographic exhibit, "Varied Visions" on Jan. 25 in the South Gallery of the Bell County Museum in Belton. The exhibit will run through Feb. 2.

"Varied Visions" features the work of five area photographers: M. L. Bolton, David Hansen, Johnny Shipman, Margaret Bowles Williamson and Mike Williamson, who come from diverse backgrounds but who share a common ground in their passion for the photographic arts.

M.L. Bolton grew up in Belton and was raised around cattle, horses and working dogs. He competed in professional rodeos, trained horses and developed a respect for the working animals as well as the hard-working men and women in the ranching community. During most of his adult life, he has been involved in the art and science of photography.

He has transitioned through photography media from film cameras to his present day work in digital photography. His photographic work has spanned from sweeping landscapes to carefully crafted still-life images. He now exclusively photographs working ranch cowboys and their families on large, historic working cattle ranches throughout the American West.

He rides beside the cowboys from daylight until dark, far from the roads and working pens, and thereby capturing their work, their traditions, and their character.

From this body of work will come a book entitled A Timeless Way – A Photographical Tribute to Working Ranch Cowboys," with a projected publication date of 2011. He is the owner of Valley Arts Studio in Belton.

David Hansen, photographer, teacher and rancher, was born in Lakeside, Arizona.

He has taught photography at Southern Methodist University, Central Texas College and currently teaches at Temple College.

He is a Registered Biological Photographer, one of only 402 internationally to receive this standing. During his 35 years as a medical photographer, he won numerous international, national and regional awards.

David's childhood memories of an upbringing in the rural mountains of Arizona have had a profound effect on his photography that captures the texture and lighting reminiscent of his rural past.

He credits his style of photography to his time studying with Guggenheim Award-winning master photographer, Paul Caponigro. He says he believes in the impact of the



"Alice's Dress" by Margeret Williamson.

black and white image and that viewers not only see his images, but feel them.

Growing up in west Texas, Johnny Shipman of Salado, had a career in Dallas in the creative world of communication, working for such clients as Southwest Airlines, Exxon, Atlantic Richfield, Bell Helicopter, Southland Corporation, Southern Methodist University and Frito Lay.

His photography shows his love of the western landscape. His skill in capturing the light and shadows on a small piece of the landscape, whether an almost abstract closeup or a small vista within the grand overall view.

Each photo experience requires a freshness of observation, determination and feeling to portray the

scenes in front of the camera, he says.

The carved landscape, the strike of light, and the rugged beauty all make up the ingredients by which Shipman visualizes his next photograph.

A resident of Salado, Margaret Bowles Williamson grew up in Belton. During her adult years, she and her husband, Mike Williamson, lived in Houston where she was an educator and realtor.

For her enjoyment of the arts, she became an accomplished artist of china painting and needlepoint and helped teach senior citizens needlepoint and design for 15 years.

Upon retirement, she and Mike returned to Bell County.

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Calendar of Events

JANUARY 24

Salado Fall Athletic Banquet, 6:30 p.m., Salado Intermediate Cafeteria. Program starts at 7 p.m. \$8 plate. Athletes eat free. Come and join us in honoring our athletes for a great

January 24

Meet the Candidates Forum, 6 p.m. at the Salado Holiday Inn Express sponsored by Salado Area Republican Women. 947-5003. for information.

JANUARY 25

Celebrate poet Robert Burns birthday at Salado Public Library, 4 p.m. Refreshments and a reading by Bob Simpson.

JANUARY 25

Cedar Valley Baptist
Church Monthly Fourth
Friday Night Singing
begins at 7 p.m. The church
is located at 12237 FM 2843
– eight miles west of I-35
toward Florence.

JANUARY 26

Baltimore Block of the Month, 1-4 p.m. at A Sewing Basket, 254-947-5423.

Jan. 26-Feb. 1

Varied Visions: A photography exhibit of five photographers sponsored by the Public Arts League of

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JANUARY 27

First Baptist Church in Salado presents Adam Paul Williams in Concert at the church on Main St. at 6 p.m.

JANUARY 28

Salado ISD Board of Trustees, 6 p.m., Salado Civic Center.

JAN. 28-FEB.28

Tablerock's 12 hour course in Human Language, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tues. and Thurs. at the Tablerock Lodge. 947-9205.

JANUARY 29

Salado Cemetery Association annual meeting, 10 a.m. Salado Civic Center.

January 29

Salado Rotary Club, 11:30 am., Stagecoach Inn. Lon Curtis, meteorologist with KWTX-TV will talk.

January 31

Salado Haiku Society meets at 4 p.m. at Salado Public Library. JANUARY 31

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FEBRUARY 7

American Business
Women's Association
meeting, 6:30 p.m. Stagecoach Inn. 947-3617 for info.

FEBRUARY 7

Salado Historical Society board meeting, 6 p.m.
Salado Civic Center.
FEBRUARY 8-9

Third Annual Music Festival in Salado, sponsored by Music in Salado, www.musicinsalado.com. FEBRUARY 9

Salado Daughters of the Republic of Texas, 10:30 a.m. Central Texas Area Museum. Guest Speaker Chaplain General Billie Beth Moore of Forth Worth. Dutch treat at Stagecoach Inn following the meeting.

FEBRUARY 15 & 22

Collage Sweatshirt Jacket on Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at A Sewing Basket, 947-5423.

February 20

Brown Bag Noon Book Review at Salado Public Library, Patty Campbell.

FEBRUARY 22-24

Artfully Yours weekend, celebrating the authors, artists, and artisans of the Village of Salado.

February 23

Authors' Reception, 3-5 p.m. Salado Public Library.

February 24

Salado Methodist Men's Annual Wild Game Dinner.

February 28

Transitions Seminar for Salado Seniors, 1-5 at Salado Civic Center. Sponsored by Salado Public Library.

FEB 28-APRIL 3

Basic Conversational Spanish Session III, 10 a.m.-12 noon. Salado Public Library.

March 2

Texas Independence Day Celebration hosted by Salado Children of the Republic of Texas, Daughters of the Republic of Texas and Sons of the Republic of Texas. Salado First Baptist Church, Room 102 at 1:30 p.m.

March 3

Salado Historical Society Pot Luck Dinner and membership meeting, 6 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center. Entertainment by UMHB Choir One Voice.

March 13

Salado Friendly class given by Salado Tourism department. Class sizes are small, so sign up at the Salado Civic Center early.

March 27-29

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March 28-30

The 31st annual Texas Packard meet will be held at Stagecoach Inn. This meet is sponsored by the Texas Packard Association.

March 29-30

Eighth Annual Wildflower Art Show at the Salado Civic Center.

APRIL 4-5

Gospel Festival at Table rock Festival of Salado.

APRIL 12

Salado Daughters of the Republic of Texas hosting area members and guests, 10:30 a.m., Central Texas Area Museum. Guest speaker Sue Donovan Callies from DRT Cradle, Galveston. Dutch Treat to follow at Stagecoach Inn.

APRIL 14

St. Joseph's and St. Luke's present David Stevens, An American Songbook" at the Old Salado Springs Celebration Center on Royal St., 6-9 p.m. More information, call 947-5414.

MAY 10
Salado Fine Art Gallery
Trail. More details TBA.

MAY **17**TH

ABWA Scholarship Benefit & Style Show. Longhorn Room Stagecoach. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. 947-3617.

July 4

Fourth of July Picnic with entertainment, 6:30 p.m. at Pace Park. Hosted by Salado Historical Society.

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AUGUST 2-3

45th Annual Salado Art

Fair, Pace Park.

OCTOBER 10-11
Christmas in October at Salado Civic Center.

OCTOBER 11
Salado Fine Art Gallery
Night, 5-9 p.m.

OCTOBER 6,13,20

Fall Shakespeare Festival at Tablerock.

OCTOBER **25**

Salado Area Republican Women's Fine China Luncheon. Longhorn Room of Stagecoach Inn. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. 939-7085.

November 3

Salado Historical Society Fall Chili Supper and Membership Drive, 6:30 p.m. Noted Texas vocalist, poet and songwriter Jeff Gore will provide entertainment. Located to be announced.

November 8-9

Gathering of the Scottish Clans. Details to be announced.

DECEMBER 5-7

Salado Historical Society Annual Tour of Homes. The tour will feature several charming homes, historical buildings and the historical log cabins all dressed for Christmas. Tickets \$14 in advance, \$15 days of tour.

DECEMBER 5-7 & 12-14 Annual Salado Christmas Stroll.

DECEMBER 5-6, 12-13
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Visions

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She was then able to resume her long-standing love of photography and in 2002 embarked on the study of the classic black and white photograph.

She states that she likes to capture the essence of a beautiful scene, the subtleties of light on an object and the inner character of a person.

Williamson also photographs historical places and images that reveal her heritage. Some of her newest images incorporate old and new family photographs with an article that once belonged to the person in the photograph.

She says, "My interest in photography is to look at my surrounding environment and possibly catch a moment or a hidden composition one would not easily see, to explore the beauty of a simple leaf, a white flower or the lines and form of a rock."

Mike Williamson is a native of Belton and currently lives in Salado. He spent his professional career at The Methodist Hospital System in Houston and in 1997 retired to Salado.

During his years in Houston, he developed a love of photography and it was a serious hobby for over 30 years. He photographed family, landscapes of foreign lands, the mountains and vistas of Colorado and spent a liberal amount of time with the close-up lens.

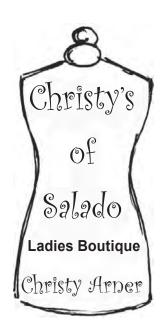
Upon his retirement and with the advent of

the digital camera, he set out to become the best photographer he could be studying with David Hansen at Temple College, George Schaub and Arthur Meyerson at the Santa Fe Workshop and with Jay Maisel at the Maine Media Workshops.

Two of his photographs were published in *Rangefinder Magazine* in the January 2007 issue. He says that his approach to photography is to find the image most people would walk by unnoticed. The image must possess at least one or two of three qualities: light, color, and gesture-and ideally all three.

The Public Arts League of Salado's mission is to inspire and enliven the community by giving opportunities to the public to experience the diversity of the arts. This is a collaboration with the Bell County Museum. The museum

is located at 201 N. Main Street in Belton and the hours are noon until 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. The museum's website is http://www.bellcountytx.com/Museum/.



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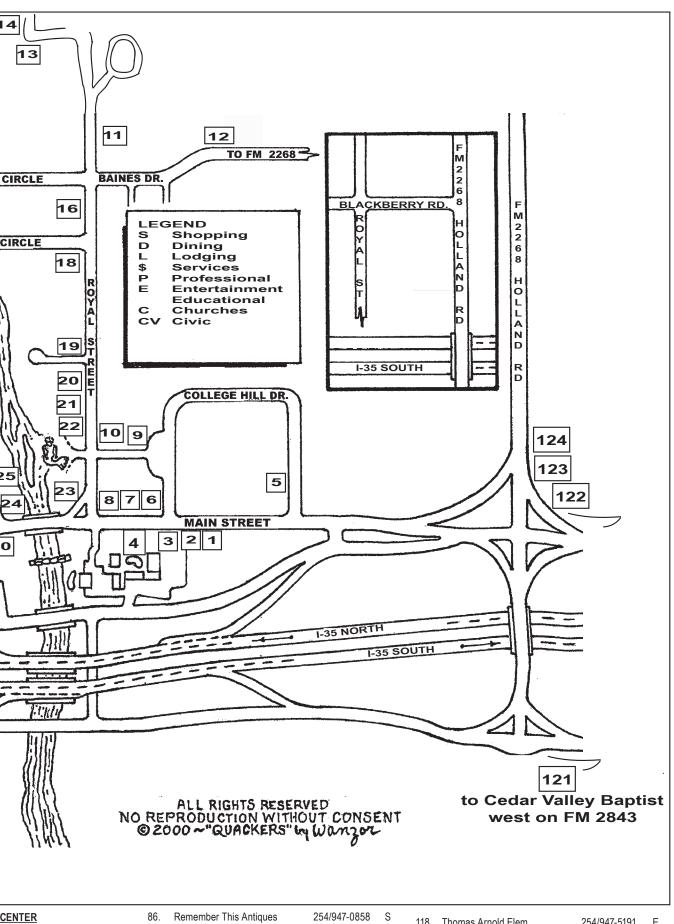


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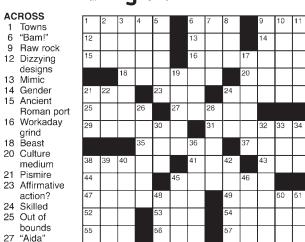
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Attributes of real food, pt. 2

Continuing our discussion from last week of the attributes that the X and Y Generations should look for in the labeling of food. Last week, I discussed Organic, Beyond Organic, Natural and Organic Certification.

Here are some other definitions of the types of labeling you should be looking for to achieve optimal wellness:

FREE-RANGE: want your beef products to have received plenty of exercise, sunlight and unlimited opportunity to eat grass. Once again, there are plenty of farmers in Texas that are producing non-organic free-range grass-fed beef that I am fine with. Something else to think about here beyond the quality of the product is the freshness of the product. I am much more comfortable supporting local farmers, which I can keep my eye on, and consuming the products in their fresh-

LIFESTYLE AND WELLNESS

By Kevin McCauley



est state than consuming a product that has supposedly loftier credentials but has been distributed from five states away if not another country. Side-Note 1: If the beef says "organic," the first question you must ask is this "was this cow raised on grain and corn?" if so, run! You want grassfed, not grain-and corn-fed beef. Organic grain-and corn-fed beef is just another marketing ploy being used against you without your best intentions being a concern. Side-Note 2: Buying from local farmers is not only good for the economy, but it is also good for our environment.

PASTURE-RAISED: This is the term I am now looking for when purchasing eggs at a grocery store, or I will not purchase them. Unfortunately free-range (or "the chickens could have gone outside") and cage-free (but still living in an overpopulated barn with no direct sunlight) may not be enough information to know that the chickens laying the eggs were exercising and receiving sufficient sunlight. Side-Note 1: Chickens are not vegetarians. The best tasting chicken eggs come from a diverse diet including bugs! Side-Note 2: For those of you that don't consume eggs because the yokes have cholesterol. I just recently turned 44, and at age 44 and 265 pounds my total cholesterol was 135. I have no doubt that I have consumed over 100 eggs a month for the past three years. A good portion of these eggs I have eaten raw. If you are not going to consume eggs

from healthy chickens, I

would not eat eggs at all.

WILD: It seems that salmon, among other types of fish, have not only been over-fished in many areas, but they are loaded with toxins as well, specifically mercury. There is no debate that wild salmon is an excellent food choice for the health of your heart and at this point, the only clean wild fish that I would purchase would be the wild salmon caught off of the shores of Alaska. Unless your store is having the fish tested and deems the fish healthy and nontoxic. Side-Note: Do not purchase farm raised salmon (real salmon should not be flabby, fatty, or lacking in taste). Have you seen all of the cancer-causing agents that they are finding in these fish? Truly scary!

Who would have thought that shopping for "Real" and "Healthy" food would have come to this? If you want to separate yourselves from the masses, with more vitality and longevity, begin making wiser choices concerning the quality of food you purchase and consume.

Next week: The living conditions of your conventionally-farmed food and definitions of labels you want to keep out of your grocery cart.

Kevin is is the owner/ operator of Progressive Wellness Services, a Total Wellness Company. Kevin helps families instill positive lifestyle habits into their lives. If you have any questions regarding nutrition or exercise please email Kevin at youbewell@ earthlink.net.



January busy month for library

By Karen P. Kinnison

January has been a very busy month for us here at the library. So far this month we have new hours on Thursday—we're open until 8 p.m. We had a wonderful Brown Bag Lunch Book Review by Letta Meinen. We have a Spanish class on Thursday evenings; and it's only mid month.

Whatever you do this month, don't forget to come to hear Bob Simpson -- our own Scottish "bard"-- read from Robert Burns poetry at 4 p.m. Jan. 25, which is Burns's (and Simpson's) birthday. There will be cake

We also have lots of interesting new books for this week.

Fiction:

The Senator's Wife by Sue Miller: Once again Miller takes us deep into the private lives of women with this mesmerizing portrait of two marriages in all their shame and imperfection, and in their obdurate, unyielding love.

Dragon Harper by Anne McCaffrey: One of science fiction's favorite writers and author of the Hugo Award-winning Dragonriders of Pern, McCaffrey returns with another tale of life at Harper Hall. The price of failure is unthinkable. But the price of success may be even harder to bear.

Check It Out



News & Notes from Salado Public Library

Go With Me by Castle Freeman: A small masterpiece of black comedy and suspense about a trio of backwoods heroes who embark upon a modern day quest. Freeman is telling a classic tale here but he's placed it in the grim present day of an economically depressed village in Vermont.

Hard Trail to Follow by Elmer Kelton: The seventh on the Texas Ranger series following the trail of Ranger Andy Pickard.

Other new fictions titles

Blue Heaven by C.J. Box, 7th Heaven by James Patterson, Duma Key by Stephen King and Skylight Confessions by Alice Hoffman

Non-Fiction:

Get a Hobby!: The All-Consuming Diversions for Any Lifestyle by Tina Barseghian: Is your daily grind taking the joy out of life? Don't get glum—get a hobby. The book is an entertaining, information guide for you to explore 101 thoroughly absorbing

diversions from the conventional to the downright wacky.

Out of the Storm: The
Life and Legacy of Martin Luther by Derek Wilson: This new look at one of Christian history's most pivotal characters has gotten high reviews for thoroughness, clarity, and human sympathy.

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Other new Non-Fiction:

The Kazdin Method for Parenting the Defiant Child: With No Pills, No Therapy, No Contest of Wills by Alan E. Kadzin, God's Crucible: Islam and the Making of Europe, 570-1215 by D. Lewis, Sage-ing While Ageing by Shirley Maclaine and The Age of Abundance: How Prosperity Transformed America's Politics and Culture by Brink Lindsey

We also have a new DVD: "The Ultimate Gift."

That's it for this week. Please don't forget Robert Burns's birthday.

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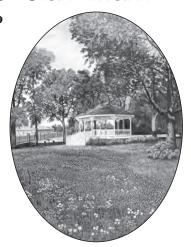
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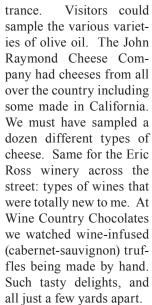
"The grapes on a score of rolling hills are red with autumn flame. Across Sonoma Mountain wisps of sea fog are stealing. The afternoon sun smolders in the drowsy sky. I have everything to make me glad I am alive. I am filled with dreams and mysteries. I am all sun and air and sparkle. I am vitalized, organic."

Those words were written by Jack London, an adventurer and author who wrote 50 books (Call of the Wild, White Fang) from his ranch north of Sonoma, California in the early 1900's. He died in 1916 at the age of 40. His place is now a state park.

We toured the area around Santa Rosa and Glen Ellen with some friends who live there. It is an extremely compact area. It seems we didn't go but a few miles and there would be something new to explore. In a one-block area we toured an olive oil manufacturing facility, a cheese company, a chocolate factory and a winery.

Those California folks know how to do it. The olive oil place (Figone's Olive Oil Co.) was something I'd never experienced before. It had acres of olive trees and huge (dumpster-size) boxes of olives leading to the en-

by Tumbleweed Smith



Besides visiting our friends in Sonoma, we were in California primarily to visit our son BZ and his family, who live in the hills of Oakland. We were there nine days. We did take a detour to Gilroy, California where I made a speech. Gilroy is the garlic capital of the USA. Yes, we did get some samples. We even sampled garlic ice cream. Gilroy is a city of 50,000. The annual Garlic Festival, held in the summer, attracts 150,000 visitors.



Just before we left to go to California, my four year old grandson Max asked me over the phone if I knew any jokes. I told him one off the top of my head, but then scoured the Internet for kid jokes and carried a good supply of them with me. I fired one off every few hours. Max told his friends that I knew lots of jokes. Max even repeated some of them and told them well. His little brother Aiden didn't get them, but since everybody was laughing, he laughed,

Max is learning how to cook. His class at school wrote a cookbook and Max's recipe for spaghetti was included in it. "Put noodles in oven for like one minute, two minutes, three minutes, four minutes, five minutes and make it cold with water. Add sauce, the sauce I like but not the sauce I don't like. All sauces are red, different kinds of red. Add a clock, maybe a pointy rock or a cowbell."

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\$184,700: 1900 Chisholm Holland. Texas style 4 BR, Heights Dr. 3 BR, 2.5 BA Salado. Country living, yet Trail, Salado. Huge pri- Salado. 3 BR, 2 BA home 3 BA home on 5 secluded two story home on 2 acres close to town. 3 BR, 2 BA, vate backyard at this nicely on nice wooded lot. Reacres. Additional acreage only 2 miles from Salado. 1/2 bath in garage. Large landscaped 3 BR, 2 BA cently updated tile & kitch-Larry Lily built home.



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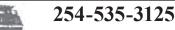


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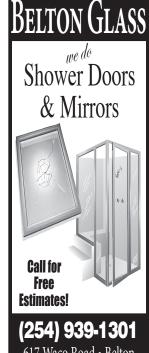
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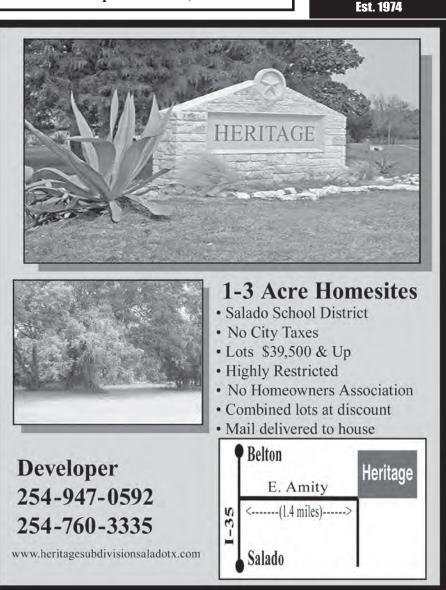
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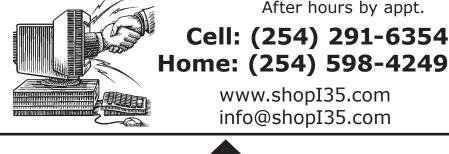
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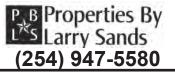
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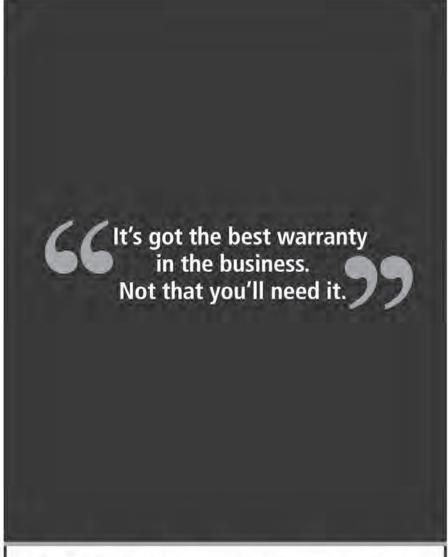
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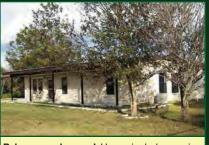
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