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# The STARS at night

The second annual STARS Curriculum showcase on Jan. 26 featured the works of many Salado I.S.D. students in every field of study. Shown above is fourth grader Caden Eary, with his project for Carey Quick's class. At right is sixth grader Cameron Smith with his project on motion and velocity for Ken House's class. Salado Intermediate School overflowed with students, teachers and parents for the event. (Photos by Marilyn Fleischer)



# **Voters to decide** on new school

BY TIM FLEISCHER EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Salado voters will decide Feb. 4 whether to authorize Salado I.S.D. trustees to issue \$15,675,000 in bonds for the construction of a new high school on 50 acres and renovation of current campuses and another pace to match the \$500,000 in bonds for the renovation and expansion of the current high school football field and gymnasium at Thomas Arnold Elementary school.

Last chance to vote in Salado ISD Bond election: 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Feb. 4 at Salado Civic Center. Click on www. saladovillagevoice. com 8:30 p.m. Feb. 4 for results

Voters are on record they set when they defeated a \$17 million bond on April 2, 2005, when 1,474 cast their ballots in the local election. SEE BONDS, PAGE 5A

# **Mozart Festival** in Salado Feb. 3-5

commemoration of the 250th birthday of Mozart, Music In Salado, Texas, Inc. will sponsor Salado Mozart Festival Feb. 3-5, with performances at the Salado Silver Spur Theater.

Performers include soprano Marjorie Owens, who will give a Mozart Song Recital 7 p.m. Feb. 3 and the Genius of Mozart 2 p.m. Feb. 4, and the International Piano Duo, who will perform 7 p.m. Feb. 4.

addition, In Laurel Zeiss, professor of musicology at Baylor University, will present "The Genius of Mozart: Fact and Fiction" as a lecture and lunch, noon Feb. 4 at Stagecoach Inn. Cost is \$15.

Owens, a native of Virginia and graduate of Baylor University, is a veteran of the Houston Grand Opera Studio, the Fort Worth Opera, the Aspen Opera Theater and Opera Illinois. Her past roles include portrayals in the The Turn of the

Screw, The Marriage of Figaro, Dialogues of the Carmelites, Don Giovanni, Amahl and the Night Visitors and The Old Maid and the Thief, among others.

The International Piano Duo, consisting of Krassimira Jordan and Wolfgang Watzinger, in the past played to appreciative Salado audiences as part of a previous Music In Salado event. Jordan, a professor of piano and Artist-in-Residence Baylor University, has established a worldwide reputation as a concert and recording pianist

Her partner in the Internatinal Piano Duo, Wolfgang Watzinger, has performed with acclaim as a recitalist and orchestral soloist in Europe, the U.S., South Africa, Asia and South America.

Tickets \$10 person for each performance. For more information call 254-947-5592 or visit www.musicinsalado.com.

# **Best ropers in world converge** on Salado for 8th Wildfire Open

Wildfire Ranch welcomes some of the biggest names in professional rodeo Feb. 4 to its indoor arena.

Professional boys such as eight-time Team Roping World Champions Rich Skelton and Speed Williams as well as repeatedly crowned All-Around World Champion Trevor Brazile and many, many more will be converging on Wildfire Ranch in Salado.

There is only one reason why all of these famous cowboys would be gathering in Central Texas... team roping for cold, hard cash!

Wildfire Ranch is offering just that at the eighth annual Wildfire Open to the World Team Roping which is one of the highest-paying team ropings in the world.

Local and World Champion cowboys and cowgirls from all over the country will be team roping for a prize line



totaling over \$200,000!

Topping the prize list is a pair of custom inlaid brief cases stuffed with cash totaling \$75,000, which is awarded to the winning team.

The event is also the lead-off competition in the U.S. Smokeless Company's Tobacco Majors Challenge.

The USSTC will pay a bonus of \$10,000 to the top header and heeler having the fastest total time accumulated throughout the year at the Wildfire Open to the World, Bob Feist Invi-

tational, George Strait Team Roping Classic and the United States Team Roping Championships Open Finals.

The Open to the World roping begins at 9 a.m. and admission is to watch the best ropers in the world compete free.

Clear your calendar and bring the family to Wildfire Ranch Feb. 4 for a day filled with team roping excitement rain or shine!

Wildfire Ranch is located at Exit 283 on I-35 just South of Salado.

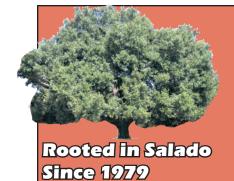
# **Aldermen** face full agenda Feb. 2

Salado aldermen will continue discussion of a fireworks ordinance, a heavy vehicle ordinance and renovation of the municipal building during their regular meeting 6:30 p.m. Feb. 2.

New business items on the agenda include the following:

- Consideration of abandoning Front Street and Center Street requested by Ron Harrison,
- A construction equipment policy;
- Calling for the general election in May and holding it jointly with Salado I.S.D.;
- Extraterritorial jurisdiction petitions;
- · Discussion of temporary restrooms down-
- · Hearing a report on the Village Sewer Evaluation committee meeting, given by aldernman Curt Strong.

The meeting is open to the public.



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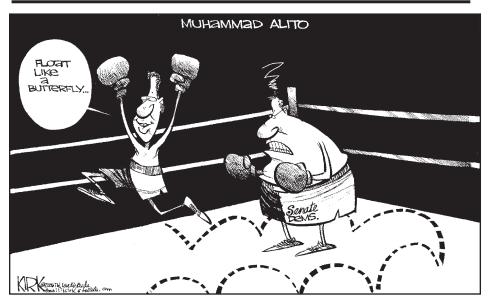
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# FORUM

# An Open Exchange of Ideas



# Tear down this analogy

The House of Representatives recently voted to establish a dictatorship in the United States and to prevent hopeless citizens from escaping it. That, at least, is what the casual listener might have concluded from the rhetoric mustered in opposition to the building of a better security fence on the U.S.-Mexico border.

The Berlin Wall was the analogy of choice for opponents of the border-fence project, passed as part of an immigration-enforcement bill. Democrats invoked the analogy during the debate, and Mexico's Human Rights Commission denounced the "tendency to criminalize migration with a wall that calls to mind the Berlin Wall."

We are a long way from Robert Frost and "good fences make good neighbors." Are the old East German secret police - the Stasi -- about to be recommissioned to bring their skills at maintaining border obstacles to the Rio Grande?

Hardly. There is an elementary moral distinction between a wall built to keep people out and one designed to keep people in. If West Berliners had been desperate to scale the wall to escape tyranny and take advantage of East Berlin's labor market and freedoms, there might be something to the Berlin Wall analogy. Of course, it was the opposite.

This and other subtleties got lost. Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee, D-Texas, accused Republicans of offering "the old Berlin Wall, again separating the north from the south." Does she think the wall kept South Berliners from escaping into North Berlin? She went on to rewrite the history of the wall in a manner only the Politburo could appreciate, "It kept people out, and it kept people in." As if there was ever any danger of a mass exodus from West to East to take advantage of the workers' paradise.

One columnist warned, recalling President Reagan's famous speech at the





Brandenburg Gate, "The very possibility of a Mexican president someday standing at the Laredo Gate calling out 'Mr. President, tear down this wall,' should concern anyone with historical perspective."

Reagan issued his challenge because he knew West Germany represented a better, more just form of government, one that people would vote in favor of with their feet. A Mexican president would call for the elimination of a border fence knowing that his government is corrupt and incompetent, depending on the social and economic safety valve of migration to the north

The fence, with two layers separated by a road for border-control vehicles, would run for about 700 miles in five strategic areas where crossings are particularly frequent. A fence has worked in the San Diego area, where illegal-alien arrests have declined sharply since 1996, when construction began. Illegal crossings picked up elsewhere, which critics of the extended fence argue will happen again: A fence will only shift migration patterns.

Whatever the fence's ultimate effectiveness, comparisons to the Berlin Wall are offensive. Opponents of a border fence apparently consider any wall objectionable, whether it is an instrument of repression or a way for a nation of laws to see that those laws are obeyed.

Americans can reinforce and extend their border fence with a clean conscience.

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# GOP's Guv race strangely quiet but expected to ignite after primary; Drug plan on ropes; S&W Commentary

The GOP race for Governor has been relatively quiet despite reaching the 33 days-to-go-mark before the March 7 primary. Rick Perry's three unknown (and under-financed) opponents, have given the incumbent Governor's troops no reason to do much "hard" pre-primary campaigning, other than scurrying around collecting money, endorsements and keeping their chief looking like a dynamic leader. Come to think of it, that last item could create a major "imagination" headache.

At any rate, old "Crazy Hair" has been criss-crossing the State, telling the faithful how he's protected them, for six long years, from bad old liberals who love "taxing and spending." All the while keeping the "No New Tax Fortress" protected and unscathed.

He's managed to sell loyal GOPers the idea that what's best for business (led by the Texas Association of Business) is best for the rest of us, including letting our schools hit bottom and forcing the courts to demand a special legislative session to correctly (and legally) finance public education.

The looming special session is expected to begin after the primary season (following the usual political-maxim of "first-things-last") and unless Rick the Reluctant, (appropriately named for his disinclination to raise new tax dollars for any purpose), can bring himself to do one of two things, he'll be in a world of trouble:

1) Require all Texas businesses to pay their fair share of the franchise tax (only one in 16 does this today); or 2) Find some other tax source the TAB "will" approve, since they hate "item one"

Without new money, Perry will fail. Schools will be closed. And, Texas will have a new Governor.

#### ENDORSEMENTS AND MONEY

Meantime, Perry's most feared foe - Republican Comptroller turned Independent Carole Strayhorn, is out gathering endorsements and money while at the same time lining up 45,540 (promissory) post-primary petitionsigs, to get on the November ballot as an Independent.

The current endorsement race has Perry out front with 140. Strayhorn is picking up what she can and her list albeit short, is surprising. It includes the 65,000 member Texas State Teacher's Association (an affiliate of the labor styled NEA); plus pending approval (reportedly) from the Texas Auto Dealers Association.

Not sure who the Trial Lawyers will endorse, but as of today most of Strayhorn's big bucks have come from that well-heeled advocacy group. She's piled up close to \$3 million compared to Perry's \$5.5 million.

## SMART MOVE BY GRANDMA

Strayhorn played her cards exactly right when she opted to run as an Independent. She's basically a moderate, which means there's not much room for her in the Grand Old Party of Texas, currently controlled by unwavering "anti-everything" conservatives; the religious right; and a slew of other die hard reactionary types.

It's from mostly non-voters (the "pox on all their houses" tribe); plus the non-affiliated and dissatisfied; coupled with true moderates and Independents, that Strayhorn will find traction and hopefully create a winning coalition.

Especially if Perry and his gang of

Off the Record
by Ken Clapp



"Non-Taxers" fail to produce court mandated funding formulas, thereby forcing a judicial shutdown of the public schools.

And don't expect much help from our "taxless" lawmakers, epitomized by Speaker Tom Craddick who intoned recently that each new school dollar must be "revenue neutral." Meaning the school money will have to be chopped from other state agencies - most likely programs that assist low income families and children, the disabled and aging.

If Perry and Strayhorn make the finals, it'll create a political firestorm. Add Kinky Friedman's brand of campaign nonsense. Sprinkle in some liberal mush from Demo Bob Gammage, and we'll have plenty to talk, laugh and think about all the way to November 7.

#### **GOP DRUG BILL A MESS**

Republicans are today shamefacedly admitting their Medicare Prescription Drug law is a disgrace. The bill was first promoted with lies as to cost. Then drafted by drug makers who at the same time cut themselves a large slice of profits from peddling the pills. Later filled with impossible-to-understand rules that terrified older citizens. And lastly, botched by GOP lawmakers trying to prop up Bush's "backfired" idea of trading prescriptions for the expanding senior vote.

Bush remains steadfast in refusing to admit he promoted and signed, one of this nation's most counterproductive and costinefficient laws.

Congressional Democrats, if they had any sense, would take advantage of this GOP failure that has Americans up in arms. Two simple amendments would create stability out of chaos. First, require that "all" medications must be offered by "all" insurance companies participating in the prescription drug plan. Secondly, allow local pharmacists to be the point of contact for information, sign-up and distribution of prescriptions for those opting (or being forced) to participate in the new drug scheme.

Should some Bushie try selling you a "Persian Rug" type concoction that suggests the President's drug idea is working and really great for the country - tell him to peddle his wares at the next gathering of State, or local Republicans.

And then prepare this witless soul for tar and feathers from his own people, who fear this "political tsunami" will kill hopes for continued control of Congress after the mid-term election

#### SPECIAL COMMENTARY

Hopefully the "layoff" rumors from inside Scott and White Hospital these days are baseless. Especially since they concern another sizable round of personnel cuts scheduled for March. This has become almost routine since accountants and efficiency experts have taken charge. At the same time expansion construction abounds, along with plans for new and/or enlarged clinics. A questionable shifting of dollars from people and service, to bricks and mortar.

Those in charge of this renowned hospital need to be reminded that **it is the caring people of S&W**, at all levels, who have made this great health facility a world class center for hope and treatment, teaching and research. **Not its buildings!** 

That's -30-You can reach Ken Clapp at: kclapp@saladovillagevoice.com

# FORUM

Final word will be Feb. 4

# Influx of letters before bond election

lived Having once in a community where I witnessed the local school district grow from Class 1A to Class 4A, the growing pains of Salado and SISD are too familiar. The ongoing public debate, turnover on the school board, and failed bond elections are all part of the democratic process. However, waiting for that "perfect" solution that will meet everyone's needs and satisfy every citizen is an option that will never be realized.

The school board has made a "good faith" effort by soliciting input from the community, exploring numerous options, and presenting a modified proposal that will meet current needs as well as provide room for future growth. The needs are real. Tour the facilities. Study the enrolment and do the math. Further delay is no longer an acceptable option.

I have no children in SISD, but I do have young grandchildren in another community who will be starting school in the near future. Just as I am counting on the citizens that community to what is necessary provide a quality learning environment my grandchildren, the grandparents of the students of SISD expect the same of me.

The real issue for many people is located in their pocketbooks. I didn't budget for an 88 percent increase in my health insurance premium for 2006, but I will have to find a way to pay it because it is a necessity. Neither have I budgeted tax increase generated by a bond issue.

However, I am voting in favor of the new propositions, not because I can afford it, but because it is the right thing to do. And that is the challenge before the voters of our community - to do the right thing.

James Carroll Salado

#### To the Editor:

Although the battle lines seem to be welldefined for the upcoming school bond vote, after depressing morning attending a meeting of the Governor's touring Tax Reform Committee, I can report to those who

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have based their decision

Letters to the Editor

on hoped-for property tax cuts that two things were evident: First, there will be no real relief on school taxes, property or otherwise, and second, there is no stomach for imposing a new "school" revenue source that can meet the Governor's mandate and that will displace or supplement property tax revenues. The overwhelming majority of participants were folks who wanted exclusion from taxes and school representatives pleading for more money despite overwhelming evidence that increased costs in the educational system have not produced a better product. In fact it has deteriorated. (All of the school representatives did encourage removing the \$1.50 tax rate cap to allow them more flexibility in increasing taxes.)

However, the committee brought up one issue that emphasizes a continuing concern about the location of the proposed Salado ISD complex. It is surprising that this has not been openly discussed. (We have all heard the conback-and-forth: tinuing "We're overcrowded." - "Well, then don't take transfer students or charge them a legitimate fee so that district taxpayers won't have to subsidize "Facilities have them." deteriorated." - "Well, a couple of hundred thousand tax dollars spent each year to subsidize transfer students would fix up a lot of bathrooms and add some classrooms." 'old timers" can attest that historically administrators and boards have intentionally allowed facilities to deteriorate as support for their school-related agendas.)

These arguments notwithstanding, in considering the district's expansive boundaries, the board could have hardly selected such a poor site by accident. One might wonder if the land was "spied," and specifications drawn up to exclude anywhere else. One obvious negative is that the acreage is tantamount to being "landlocked," which sooner rather than later will lead to the same problems that haunt today's complex

and that evolved from a "do something, even if it is wrong" mentality. Yet, this bond issue incorporates at least two critical and more immediate "site negatives" that should be of much greater concern than the site's physical shortcomings.

First, the chosen site is

one that is near the city

limits and/or extraterrito-

rial jurisdictions of much bigger cities, and two of those cities' boundaries overlap large portions of Salado ISD. Because they need tax revenues, these cities are busily extending municipal services that will expedite their cities' development within the Salado district. Thus this new school complex "growth magnet" can create a situation where a majority of Salado ISD voters might soon be residents of Belton and Killeen – or even Temple. An emerging concern in similar situations is that some Texas cities want to require school districts in such overlapping situations to provide and/or enhance and maintain infrastructure (roads, etc.) to accommodate the cities' students that attend those schools. If they prevail, Salado ISD taxpayers could be in the unhappy position of paying for streets and roads within Belton, Killeen, or Temple in addition to funding Salado's schools.

Of even greater concern is the one and only cost-savings mechanism broached by the committee and endorsed by large-

- school consolidations. This idea seemed to have "legs" with commission members and larger districts, and I heard no negative commentary. Whether such consolidations are forced or incentivised by subsidies, investment in this location puts Salado ISD at a huge disadvantage. It would make Salado ISD's only logical option a merger with Belton, Killeen, or Temple, and Salado's influence would be greatly diluted. However, if located south of town, Salado ISD would be in a stronger position by establishing a relationship with any or all of the smaller districts proximal to that southern portion.

Yes, in this "volatile" environment there is a lot on the table for Salado ISD voters, and obviously some of the more important issues have not been debated to date – or at least openly discussed.

> Tom Curb Salado

#### To the Editor:

Over the past several weeks, I have read many impassioned letters about why we should vote yes or no to issue debt and build a new high school. While space may be an issue, it is not the most important issue at Salado ISD. Salado ISD is currently not providing textbooks to select math classes, the classes being taught to students that are not in the Honors Math program. These are the students most in need of a textbook, yet they are being denied the basic tools to get an education. They did not receive textbooks this year, and they did not receive textbooks last

If you talk with school administration about this issue, you will be led to believe that math textbooks are available for checkout by the student. Right, but wrong! About a year ago, the

decision was made to change the curriculum from Saxon Math to Glencoe Math for the regular math classes, feeling it was a better teaching tool for students who may be at risk of not passing the TAKS math test which is required before graduation. The Saxon math book is available for student reference and checkout, but it is totally different from the Glencoe Math that is being taught. As parents, we cannot help our child if she does not have a textbook that follows the same lesson plans as the teacher's book.

School administration will tell you that the Glencoe book is a better curriculum to teach these students, but new books are not available because the state only pays for textbooks every ten years. Therefore, funding is not available to purchase the Glencoe math books for the students. Teacher sets with paper handouts for the students are all that is currently available.

I do not understand why the school does not spend a small part of the \$1,690,855 fund balance that was reported in the 1/ 27/06 Board Briefs to provide learning tools for our children, that being textbooks. There is little logic in switching to textbooks that the state will not pay for without including the cost of student books in

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# **Tom DeLay** - the king of quid pro quo



Tom DeLay is giving sleaze a bad name.

In addition to his two indictments for moneylaundering, his five formal reprimands from

the House Ethics Committee, and his numerous entanglements in the low-life (but high-priced) lobbying scandals of Jack Abramoff, the deposed Republican leader of Congress has also been buttdeep in the Washington swamp of quid pro quoism - which is Latin for, "you scratch my back and I'll scratch yours."

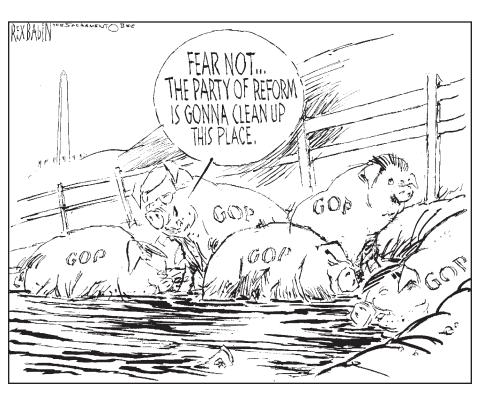
The backs that DeLay chooses to scratch are those of the corporate powers, which funnel campaign funds to him in exchange for receiving legislative favors.

For example, Tom's a traveling man... and he likes to travel in style. His political jaunts have taken him to such luxury digs as the Ritz-Carlton in Jamaica, the Prince Hotel in Hawaii, and the El Conquistador Resort in Puerto Rico. On such trips, he has spent \$290,000 on golf outings, \$390,000 on lavish meals, and - get this - \$1,930 on cigars! All funded by moneyed interests wanting his help in Congress. To get to these exotic destinations, De-Lay has taken at least 100 flights on corporate jets - including those of US Tobacco, R.J. Reynolds, and Philip Morris. Now, guess who has been the number one Congress critter protecting the tobacco giants from regulation by the FDA? Right.

You don't even have to be a U.S. corporation to play quid pro quo with Tom. One of his political fronts, for example, took a million bucks from two Russian oil executives to win DeLay's opposition to a bill that would've raised their taxes.

Tom's group also took half a million bucks from Asian textile companies to win his opposition to wage laws affecting them.

A DeLay spokesman says that it's "absurd" to suggest that such donations affect Tom's legislative actions. No, what's absurd is that this sleazeball is still in Congress... instead of jail.



# Page 4A, MANO Village Voice, February 2, 2006 Don't be a "Groundhog Day" investor

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on Punxsutawney Phil, the world's most famous groundhog. As the folklore goes, if Phil sees his shadow, he anticipates six more weeks of bad weather, and he retreats underground. If the day is cloudy, he thinks it's spring and he stays above ground. Of course, many of us would say that Phil is never right. If you live on the East Coast, or in the Midwest or the Great Plains states, you probably don't view the weather as "springlike" in early February, or six weeks later, either. But Phil is not alone in reliving his errors. Many investors also keep making the same mistakes, year after

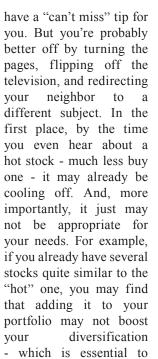
This week, the spotlight

How can you avoid being a "Groundhog Day" investor? Here are a few suggestions:

Don't chase after "hot stocks." You can find "hot stocks" featured in financial magazines and touted by "experts" on television. Even your next-door neighbor may

# **Financial Focus**

by Allen Mantanona



· Don't "buy and sell" too frequently. If you don't hold stocks for at least a year before selling them, your profits

investment success.

(if there are any) will be based on your current income tax rate, rather than the capital gains rate, which is likely to be more favorable. You're much better off buying highquality investments and holding them for the long term, until either your needs, or the investments

themselves, have changed. • Don't load up on company stock. If you have confidence in your employer, you might be tempted to put a good percentage of your 401(k) dollars in company stock - but this move could be a big mistake. To look at an extreme example, nearly 58 percent of Enron employees' 401(k) assets were invested in Enron stock as it fell 98.8 percent in value during 2001, according to the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD). But

by Ryan Hodge

An important early

step in purchasing a home

is to get a lender's "pre-

qualification" for financ-

ing. Then you'll know how much home you can

afford before stepping foot

into an "Open House."

You'll also make a strong

impression on sellers,

because they'll know that

Another step to take

your offer is solid.

even after the fall of Enron, many employees have maintained even larger percentages their 401(k) assets in company stock. Don't make that mistake. Instead, diversify your 401(k) dollars among your various investment choices in a way that reflects your risk tolerance, long-term goals and time horizon.

• Don't investing when the market goes down. The financial markets always go through "ups" "downs." and Some people bail out when the going gets tough, preferring to wait until things turn around. But the most successful investors continue invest through good times and bad - and, if they choose good investments, and hold them for the long term, they are frequently rewarded.

By following these tips, you can avoid making those investment mistakes that can prove so costly. And even if it's cloudy this Groundhog Day, your financial future can look sunny indeed.

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before you talk to the lender about pre-approval is to get copies of your credit report and review them thoroughly. Smart consumers shop around for the best prices, and you want the best interest rate possible. If your credit report contains errors, you jeopardize your chances for the best rate.

Lenders review reports from The Big Three Equifax, TransUnion and Experian - and you should, too. Interest rate tiers are based on your credit score – the higher your score, the lower the rate. The lower the rate, the more home you can afford!

Get a copy of your credit report a couple months before you start looking at homes. Creditors usually have thirty days to correct errors, but give yourself some wiggle room. Verify that the debts are correct and belong to YOU (not someone else at the same address or with the same name).

You'll be amazed how many doors open for you with a clean credit report and low interest rates. Now you're ready for some happy house hunt-

# Bonds-

With two hours left in early voting, 878 have cast ballots in the current bond election, while 901 cast ballots during early voting of the April 2, 2005 \$17 million bond election.

A total of 1,474 voted in the April 2, 2005 bond election that saw a \$17 million proposal for a new high school with a new athletic complex defeated by an 844 against to 630 for margin.

Election day, the polls will be open 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Feb. 4 at the Salado Civic Center on Main Street.

Voters will decide whether a new high school is built on 50 acres of property at the corner of Williams Rd. and FM 2484, as well as renovations and expansion to the football stadium and elementary gymnasium.

#### **Proposition A**

Proposition A totals \$15,675,000 for the construction of a new high school with a core capacity of 800 students and a classroom capacity of 600 students.

According to Salado ISD Superintendent Robin Battershell, the new high school will be "a simple design" of 90,000-100,000 sq. ft. The school will be one-story and will likely incorporate pre-engineered designs into its construction.

school While the district retains the architectural firm Fields and Associates and the construction manager atrisk firm Baird-Williams Construction company, conceptional plans for the proposed high school on 50 acres have not been drawn at this time.

However, the bond committee and administrators have worked with both the architectural firm and construction managers to affirm that a new high school can be built to the capacities (800student core, 600-student classroom) within the \$15 million budget.

The additional \$675,000 will be spent on renovations of the current education facilities at Thomas Arnold Rd.

Thomas Arnold Elementary School and Salado High School will receive the majority of the renovation funds, because of the age and condition of those two campuses.

Among the renovation projects in Proposition A are these:

- Interior and exterior painting.
- Replacement of ceiling tiles and grids at Salado High School.
- Fixing crack in TAE
- Additional storage on all campuses.

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If voters approve Proposition A, the school board and administrators will begin working immediately with the architect and construction manager to design the building and send specs out to bid.

"If bids come in under the projections," Dr. Battershell said, "then we can use the money to do additional renovations based upon a priority list."

Renovation work will be completed during summer months, when students are not in the schools.

"The goal is to provide a long-term solution that will alleviate crowding on all campuses without closing current campuses for major renovations during the instructional year," Dr. Battershell stated.

#### **Proposition B**

Proposition B totals \$500,000 and will be used for renovations of the Thomas Arnold Elementary gym and renovations and expansion of the current Eagle stadium.

Renovations of the football stadium will include bringing the restrooms, sidewalks and seating into compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act and adding portable bleachers for capacity building.

Trustees will not issue bonds for Proposition B if Proposition A fails, as stated in the official election order.

If the bonds are approved by voters on Feb. 4, the high school is anticipated to be ready for students to occupy it by August 2008.

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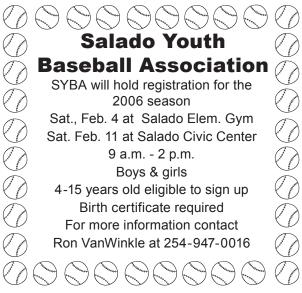


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# Need help to qualify for postseason

In a position where they no longer control their own destiny, the Salado Lady Eagles are now going to need a little help to make the postseason.

At 5-6 in district as of press time, the Lady Eagles must win-out in their remaining games (against Florence, Rogers and Jarrell), and need Rogers to take down Somerville for Salado to qualify for the playoffs as the third seed in District 25AA.

Salado could have, in large part, avoided this situation had they taken a victory in either of their two games last week. But a loss to Academy, which broke a five-game Salado win streak, followed by a heartbreaking three-point defeat at the hands of Lexington have set the current stage.

And if there's one game second year head coach Scott Copeland would like to have another crack at, it would be the Jan. 27 tilt in Lexington, where the girls lost a game they could have won, by a final of 46-43

After trading baskets with Lexington in the first period, the Lady Eagles defense stepped-up in the second to help Salado gain a 22-19 lead at the half.

In the third period, however, Lexington returned the favor, limiting Salado to seven points for the frame and retaking the lead by three, 32-29, entering the fourth.

The three point deficit Salado faced at the beginning of the fourth would remain unchanged at the end of the fourth, as both clubs warmed up



43 loss to the Lexington Lady Eagles. The Lady Eagles are 5-6 in district play, and need to win-out for a shot at the playoffs.

offensively and recorded identical 17-point efforts, with the game ending with Lexington on top by

A pair of Lady Eagles reached double-figures in points, with Tamra Stanish and Kate Marshall each accounting for 11. Kristen Smith scored eight and Kelsey Gobin had seven in the loss.

Prior to the Lexington game, the Lady Eagles took the court against state-ranked Academy, and were defeated by a final of 64-31.

Academy raced out to a 17-11 lead after one, and expanded on that to take a comfortable 34-18 advantage in the half. In the third, the Lady Eagle offense ground to a halt, with Salado posting only one point against Academy's 14. With the Lady Bee victory assured, Salado was able to post a dozen points, closing the

gap somewhat.

No Salado players cracked double figures, with the top scorer being Nicole Weatherly, who closed the game out with six points. Kristen Smith, Lauren Haire and Mary Runyon all had five, and Marshall chipped in with four points.

Salado travels to Rogers Feb. 3, and will close out the regular season Feb. 7 at home versus Jarrell.

# Varsity cagers hold down second

The Varsity Eagle hoopsters took control of sole possession of second place in District 25AA by taking care of business with wins over Academy Jan. 24 and Lexington Jan.

With a district mark of 8-2, Salado trails 10-0 and state-ranked Jarrell, but is

one game ahead of 7-3 Somerville, a team which surprised Salado recently, handing the boys a 72-51 defeat Jan. 17 in Coach Smith Gym. The Eagles will rematch the Yeguas in the second-to-last game of the regular season Feb.

Tipping off against

Academy, the boys took good advantage of an explosive, 28-point second quarter offensive outburst to propel them to a comfortable 68-40 home vic-

Already up 17-9 going into the second, Salado began pouring it on offensively, with eight different Eagle players contributing in that one frame alone. Salado led 45-25 at the

With the game basically over, the Eagles took the foot off the gas pedal and cruised through the third and fourth frames on their way to a blowout victory over the rival Bees.

As he has consistently been all season, junior

guard Ryan Clark was the high man, accounting for 21 points on the night. Chad Tumey had a strong game, as well, recording 13 points, including a trio of three pointers. Tanner Myers contributed eight, while Noah Harbison and Blake Newman both scored six.

Following their convincing win against Academy, the boys faced Lexington Jan. 27 and came away with a hard-fought, 46-37 road win.

Judging from the start, this game had all the makings of blowout, with Salado taking leads of 15-9 and 34-18 at the end of

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# **Dixie Meister is Texas Champion**

Dixie Meister, a dual stakes winner who earned nearly \$175,000 last year, will be honored as the 2005 Texas Champion Three-Year-Old Colt/ Gelding by the Texas Thoroughbred Association (TTA). Dixie Meister was bred by Belton/Salado area residents Drs. Ken and Linda Quirk at their Q6 Ranch.

Dixie Meister, who kicked off his 2006 campaign with a secondplace run in the \$435,600 New Orleans Handicap (G2) going 1 1/8 miles on January 7, won two stakes with six-figure purses last year. Owned by Austin resident Ro Parra's Millennium Farms and bred by the Quirks, Dixie Meister won the \$100,000 Star of Texas Stakes and the \$125,000 Jim's Orbit division of the Texas Stallion Stakes at Sam Houston Race Park en route to earning \$173,850 last year. The now 4-year-old gelding is sired by Texas stallion Holzmeister, who stands at the Quirks' Q6 Ranch near Belton and Salado. Steve Asmussen, leading North American trainer by wins last year, took over as the trainer of Dixie Meister late in the season upon the retirement of Barry Germany.

"There are not a lot Texas-bred horses that are competitive at that distance in stakes company, not to mention



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graded stakes company, so I think the fact that he can do that should be appealing to breeders here," Dr. Ken Quirk said. Both Ken and Linda work as local veterinarians.

Five other outstanding Texas-bred runners will also be recognized as divisional champions for their achievements during the past year, as will the 2005 Texas Broodmare of the Year. The winners will be honored at the TTA awards banquet set for July 21-22 at the Horseshoe Bay Resort Marriott near Austin.

About the Texas Thoroughbred **Association:** TTA has evolved into the largest state breed association in the country, boasting more than 2,300 members. Headquartered in Austin, TTA offers many unique services and programs designed to promote Thoroughbred breeding, owning and racing in

Texas. One example is the Accredited Texas-bred program, which provides incentive awards for Texas owners and breeders. In the last year, the ATB program paid more than \$3 million to over 1,200 eligible owners, breeders and stallion owners of accredited Texas-bred Thoroughbreds finished among the top three in any race in Texas. In addition, TTA publishes the awardwinning magazine, The Texas Thoroughbred. For more information, visit www.texas thorough bred.c

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the first and second periods of play, respectively.

In the third, though, one three pointer from Clark accounted for all of Salado's points, which allowed Lexington to claw its way back into game. Entering the final period of play, the Salado lead had been trimmed from 16 at the end of the half to eight.

But in the fourth, the Salado defense rose to the occasion, holding Lexington to a meager four points to secure the win.

Clark's 14-point effort led all scorers, while Tumey, Harbison and Justin Pruitt all closed out the game with eight points. Four other Salado players scored two points each.

The boys will take to the road again Feb. 3, when they travel to Rogers.

#### **Junior Varsity**

The Eagle JV split a pair of district games last week, dropping a close one to Academy, 47-45, but following that up with

a 38-26 defeat of Lexing-

Academy, Versus Salado led 8-6 after the first period and expanded that to 22-19 at the half. In the third, it looked as though Salado might go up for good, but Academy kept pace, equalling Salado's 15-point effort for the period. In the fourth, Academy posted 13 points while Salado scored just eight, which allowed the Bees to steal the three

point win.

David Faber paced Salado with 11 points, while Tyler Burden came through with seven.

Against Lexington, Salado again took a first quarter lead, but unlike the Academy game, they were able to make it hold up, as the defense carried the Eagles to the win.

Nick Seawood led all scorers with his 15-point

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**NOTE:** Some teams play 2 games on Saturday.



Coach Pete Fredenburg will speak to the Salado Rotary Club on Feb. 7. Coach Fredenburg has led UMHB to the doorstep of a national championship of the last two years. He has brought the program to national status in just four years using student athletes rather than scholarship recruits. In his career he has coached more than 20 players who have played professional football. Rotary meets Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m. at the Stagecoach Inn; if you are not currently a Rotarian but would like to attend the meeting please call Gerry Reihsen at 947-3901.



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# Services held for Marguerite C. Gandy

Marguerite C. Gandy, 92, of Salado passed away Jan. 25. She was born to the late Adolphus and Minnie Childress on November 23, 1913 in Ft. Worth, Texas.

She is preceded in death by her husband of 54 years, Dr. Woodrow W. Gandy. She is survived by her children, Patricia L. Rice, and husband Mark,

Karen A. Kearns, and husband, Skipper, David H. Gandy, and wife Mary Jo; five grandchildren, and seven great-grand-

Marguerite was an artist and teacher. She attended the New York Art Academy, was involved in a garden club, the Salado Village Artists, and the ladies auxiliary.

She wrote poetry, fished, and sewed.

Services were held Jan. 28 at the Harper-Talasek Funeral Home Chapel of Temple with Pastor Terry Tipps officiating. Interment followed at the Salado Cemetery.

If desired, memorials may be made to a charity of one's choice in Marguerite's honor.

# Eddie Daniel Turner passes away Jan. 28

Eddie Daniel Turner, 91 years old of Pasadena and formerly of Salado, passed away on January 28, 2006.

He was born October 29, 1914 to Lee Ander and Radie Pauline Blackwell Turner in Coryell County, Eliga, Texas.

Eddie was the youngest of seven children. He attended Killeen High School and was a member of the Church of Christ since childhood.

Turner moved Houston in the early 1940's and started to work driving a bus for the Houston Transit Company. In 1943, he went to work for Sinclair Refining Company where he worked for 30 years before retiring. Following his dream to return to the central Texas area after retirement, he and his wife moved to Salado. They lived there until 2001, when they moved back to Pasadena to be near their children.

He is survived by his wife of 69 years, Hope Edwards Turner, who he married June 26, 1937. Also, his daughters Lanora Turner, of Pasadena; Sarah Lee, of Austin and formerly of Salado; son Sidney D. Turner and wife Marjorie Dell Turner of Pasadena, 16 grandchildren, 19 greatgrandchildren, three greatgreat-grandchildren, and numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

He was preceded in death by a son, Garland Eddie Turner, his parents, and siblings.

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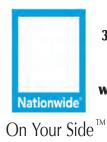
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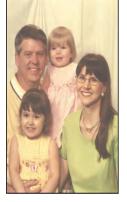
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# Major Megan Alexis Wright to marry LTC John Steven Gumpf

Mr. and Mrs. William G. Wright of Salado have announced the engagement of their daughter, Major Megan Alexis Wright, to LTC John Steven Gumpf. LTC Gumpf is the son of LTC (ret.) John Gumpf and Mrs. Eleanor Gumpf, both of Perrysburg, Ohio.

The bride-elect received her undergraduate degree from Northeastern Missouri University, in Kirksville, Missouri ,and her Master's degree from Webster University, in St. Louis, Missouri. The groom-elect received his undergraduate degree from the University of Toledo, in Ohio, and his Master's degree from the University of Georgia in Athens, Georgia.

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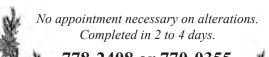
# Fiebig graduates culinary academy

Matthew Fiebig has graduated Cum Laude from Texas Culinary Academy and the Le Cordon Bleu Program in Austin. He received the degree of Associate of Applied Sciences in Culinary Arts. The ceremony was held at Riverbend Centre on Jan. 21.

Fiebig is employed at the Grand Met Restaurant in the Grand Hyatt Hotel inside Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport. He is a graduate of Salado High School and also attended Texas A&M University. He is the son of Danny and Connie Fiebig of Salado.



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local funding sources, but that is exactly what the administrators of Salado ISD have done.

I have had children in the Salado schools since the mid 1970's, and have never been as disappointed in Salado ISD as I am today. Last year when another daughter entered college, she did not know how to write a basic term research paper correctly because she had never been taught how in the English classes in Salado.

Although a new building may be needed in the future, the present building is not what is limiting educational opportunities for many. Teach my child in a new building or in a portable, it matters not, but please TEACH ALL the children and give them the tools necessary to study and learn.

Sincerely, Nancy Gilpin Salado

#### To the Editor:

On Feb. 4, the voters of Salado will address the facility need of the school district. Proposed is the construction of a new high school facility on a remote location. This proposal will address the overcrowded conditions on all three existing campuses by allowing the administration the flexibility of distributing students to four campuses instead of three.

As I thought about this proposal, I had to consider the following:

1. Will this bond meet our facility needs for the next 15 years? In my opinion, it will not, but the

plans call for a large core facility with the ability to add classrooms as needed. There is no need to build classrooms now that are not needed at the present time.

2. Is this bond the only option for Salado's situation? No, it is not, but I have watched two school boards, various community groups, school administrators and architects study and discuss the information available. I believe the current bond proposal offers the best options available now.

3. Do I want to help pay for this bond issue for the next 25 or 30 years? No, I do not, but by all indications construction costs will not be less expensive in the future. The interest rate on bonded indebtedness is very attractive at the present time. I believe we can get more for our money on this as soon as possible.

4. When you visit the school campuses, please do not confuse good maintenance with ample facilities. The administration has maintained the current facilities to en excellent standard, but this does not give the neessary rooms needed.

I am voting FOR the propositions on the bond proposal, because I believe it is an investment in Salado and the youth of the comunity.

Sincerely, Don Cunningham Salado

#### To the Editor:

have an issue

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## MERLE NORMAN COSMETIC STUDIOS

and Democrats can do something about and I hope that they will. The public was promised education on how to use the new electronic voting machines by the company that won the county's contract but so far that has not occurred. We are only about six weeks from the

primaries and we all need

to know how to use these

new machines before we

go into the voting booths

with them for the first

that both Republicans

time. The company needs to uphold its contractual obligation and start educating us all on what these new machines do and how to handle the issues sure to arise with themm. Call the Bell County Clerk's Office and tell them that you want the company to start now. We may have to have these new machines ,by law, but that does not mean we have to sit still for not understanding how they

Glenda Turck Killeen, TX

work.

#### From the Editor:

I like political debate. At every level from the White House to the state house to the school house, I think that a full and flavorful debate makes us stronger as a society, not weaker.

Because of that belief, I try to run every letter to the editor that I receive

with very little -- or no ---editing on my part, even those that far exceed our word limit requests.

There are some exceptions: form letters that are bulk mailed, letters that are profane, unsigned letters and letters that criticize private citizens by name.

The last exception probably deserves some explanation. A private citizen is just that -- someone who is not seeking or serving in public office or a place of public visibility. In short, school board trustees, aldermen, commissioners, a school superintendent, a newspaper editor or a newspaper columnist are not "private" citizens, but "public" citizens.

Other than those exceptions, I invite any reader to write a letter on any topic at any time.

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## Kick up your heels!

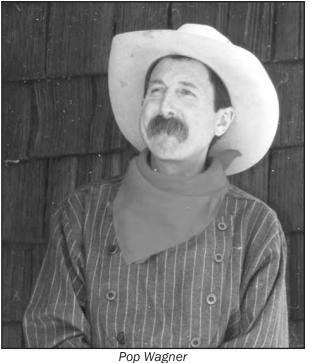
# Pop Wagner to perform at Silver Spur

You don't have to love horses to appreciate the timeless songs, tunes, poems and tributes on the new Pop Wagner CD, Cinchin' Saddles and Pullin' Bridle Reins. Pop's about as legendary a figure in Minnesota's music scene as some of the songs he sings about horses and humans on the new disc. A regular at the annual Cowboy Poetry Gatherings around the country, Pop's also well known for his radio work. These days, he's fresh from the set of the Robert Altman/Garrison Keillor film (loosely based on A Prairie Home Companion) shot in St. Paul last fall.

On the set 15 of the 21 days of filming, Pop served as a long-standing extra who also taught actor John C. Reilly how to do rope tricks. Of course, PHC fans know Pop from way back; he's appeared on the popular radio program countless times, singing the stuff that makes folkies folk: country blues, old-timey material, fiddle tunes, railroad songs, bluegrass and just about anything else from America's rich roots-music tradition. One Prairie Home program Pop appeared on even won a coveted George Peabody Award.

Pop will perform at the Silver Spur Theater at 7:30 p.m. with Back At the Ranch on Feb. 9. For more information about the performance, call 254-947-3456 or visit www.saladosilverspur.

Pop's self-penned songs are as long lasting as those he deftly interprets.



His hilarious "The Impressionist Two-Step" is the smartest Cajun dance tune about French Impressionist painters you'll ever hear or see (check the video at http: //www.popwagner.com/ twostep.lasso). What did you expect from such an Urbane Cowboy?!

The new record also displays historical musical portraits about horses of all kinds, from "Stewball" and "Tarry Not" to the "Tennessee Stud," "Old Paint" and "Strawberry Roan." Tunes about riding the trails and herding the dogies are mixed in with original works written for this disc, including one Pop wrote while working in residence with kids in Michigan, plus "Manito," a poem about the beloved horse of his late friend and fellow folksinger, Sean Blackburn, who died in 2005. Sean gets his nod, too, in the liner notes, with a lovely poem Pop

wrote in his memory, a piece about the "Long Ride" the two often talked about taking but never got around to. That missed opportunity with a longtime buddy - on the back of a horse, crossing a mesa or singing around a campfire - has been turned into a timeless tribute for anyone who dreams of riding with people they love.

#### From Performing for **Gorbachev to Appearing** in a Benjamin Britten **Opera**

Pop's worked in 44 states and nine countries, performing at clubs, concerts and festivals. The crack fiddler-singer-songwriter-storyteller-dance caller-lariat trick artist even played for former Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev during his historic visit to the Twin Cities and appeared in the Benjamin Britten opera. Paul Bunyan (playing - what else? - a folksinger). Pop's own works have

been scored for a string quartet and voices.

Born and raised in Roy Rogers country in Yellow Springs, Ohio (Rogers, nee Leonard Slye, was born in nearby Springfield), Pop got his nickname from a teenage friend impressed by Wagner's ability to lead his scout troop on a weekend trek without adult supervision. His musical yearning and learning came from the "folk music scare" of the '60s and his passion for horses, cowboying and rope tricks along the way. The famous cowboy singer Glenn Ohrlin first taught him how to work the lariat, and later, with a little insight from his buddy Sean, Pop started weaving humor and stories into his rope work, stretching it out like Will Rogers used to do. Today, this Renaissance Cowboy keeps the folk tradition alive with his great performances, endearing records and his trusty lariats.





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# What's happening in the

February 3-5

Salado Mozart Festival, sponsored by Music in Salado, Texas, Inc., in celebration of the composer's 250th birthday. Performances include a Mozart Song Recital on Feb. 3 and the International Piano Duo on Feb. 4. Info: 254-947-5592 or visit www.musicinsalado. com.

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**School Bond election.** Polls open 7 a.m.-7 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

FEBRUARY 4

Wildfire Open to the World team roping at Wildfire Ranch. Details TBA.

FEBRUARY 4-5

Salado Legends auditions, 3-5 p.m. each day at Tablerock Amphitheater. Auditions for over 150 men, women and children. Scholarships available for college students. Info: Donnie Williams, 254-460-6838 or email

mrduck@vvm.com. FEBRUARY 6

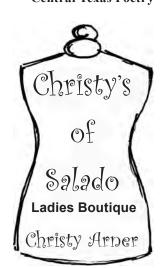
Salado Monday Club meeting, 11 a.m. at the Salado United Methodist Church. Group will car pool to the home of Jo Glass for meeting and luncheon. Program: "A Taste of Italy," cooking lesson by Melanie Stringer and a slide show by Carolyn Adair. Info and reservations: 254-947-0657.

FEBRUARY 9

Salado Silver Spur Theater hosts cowboy performer Pop Wagner. Tickets: \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors 65 and up, \$10 for military and student ID, \$5 for children 12 and under. Info: 254-947-3456 or www.sa ladosilverspur.com. February 9

Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 9:30 a.m. at the Civic Center. Program: "Easy Ways to Stay Fit While Sitting Down," by Alice Cooper. February 9

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and Prose Readings, at Tablerock Amphitheater. Invited readings, 7 p.m.; Open mic, 9 p.m. Info: 254-947-9205.

**FEBRUARY 11-12** 

St. Stephen's Women's Society Valentine Bake Sale. 6:30 p.m. Feb 11 and noon-1 p.m. Feb. 12 in the church's Marian Room. Everyone welcome.

FEBRUARY 13

St. Stephen's Women's Society meeting. Topic: Women's Health, "Prevention and Early Detection of Cancer," 6:30 p.m. St. Stephen Parish Hall.

FEBRUARY 14

Salado Silver Spur **Theater Sweethearts Shindig,** featuring live music by The Grandsons. playing R&B novelties, vintage blue grass and folk, and calypso. 8:30 p.m.-?. \$40 per couple. Reservations and info: 254-947-3456 or www.sa ladosilverspur.com.

FEBRUARY 15 Mill Creek Community Association meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Inn on the Creek. FEBRUARY 21

**Teacup Tuesday** meeting, Program: "Early Childhood Memories" by Patsy Sanford and friends, 9:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church. **FEBRUARY 22-24** 

Salado Village **Artists-sponsored art** class, taught by Paula White, of Roswell, NM. Class will focus on landscape, color and design in any medium. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. each day in the Village Artists building, behind the Civic Center. Cost: \$200. Reservations and info: Sylvia Hodges,

254-947-7176. February 23-25

Salado Soaring Eagle **High School Softball** Classic, at the Salado softball fields. More details TBA February 25

Mill Creek Community Association Spring Fling. 6 pm. Happy Hour, 7 p.m. Theme: "Viva Italia." Dinner. More details TBA.

February 27

Taste of Salado, sponsored by the Public Arts League of Salado (PALS), 6 p.m. at Blue **Heron Event Center at** Tenroc Ranch. More details TBA. February 27

Salado High School Talent Show, sponsored by the student council, 7 p.m. in the Intermediate School commons. Tickets: \$5 for adults, \$3 for children. Tickets available at the high school or at Century 21 - Bill Bartlett real estate.

March 2-5 & 9-12

First Annual Central Texas Shakespeare **Invitational** at Tablerock Amphitheater. March 2-5 will feature performances of Shakespeare by performers 18 and under; March 9-12 performances of all ages. Info: David Dunlap, 254-247-0220 or ddunlap@tablerock.org. March 6

Salado Historical Society general meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

March 9

Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 9:30 a.m. at the Civic Center. Program: Helen Alexander on "Stress Management." March 15

Mill Creek Community Association meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Inn on the Creek. March 17

11th Annual Denver Mills Golf Tournament at Mill Creek, benefitting Tablerock Amphitheater, \$60 entry fee. Shotgun start at 1 p.m. Info: 254-947-3354 or email tablerock1@aol.com.

March 18

**Annual Salado Eagle** Alumni Baseball game, at the high school field. Homerun contest 11 a.m., game to follow at noon. Open to any former SHS baseball players. Cost: \$10 for the game, \$5 for the homerun contest. Email t-shirt sizes to mbates@saladoisd.org if you plan on playing. March 18

Salado Civic Center **Auction and Dinner** honoring Wilbur and Jessie Foster, 6 p.m. at Salado Intermediate School. Tickets: \$10 per person. Info: 947-8300. March 21

**Teacup Tuesday** meeting, Program: "New Wines and Old Wineskins (new identity) by Molly White, 9:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church. March 21

Salado Historical Society general meeting, 6:15 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

APRIL 1

Fourth Annual Smokin' Spokes Bike **Ride**, benefitting the Salado Volunteer Fire Department. Info: www.saladospokes.com. APRIL 1-2

**Annual Wildflower Art Show.** More details TBA. Info: Salado Chamber of Commerce, 254-947-5040. APRIL 3

Salado Historical Society board meeting, 7 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

April 7

Thomas Arnold Elementary/PTO Moms and Muffins morning, 7-7:45 a.m. at the school. Info: 947-5191. APRIL 8

**Chisholm Trail** ABWA Style Show, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Mill Creek Restaurant. Info: 254-947-3617.

APRIL 13

Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 9:30 a.m. at the Civic Center. Program TBA. **APRIL 14-16** 

**Easter Pageant at** Tablerock Amphitheater, presented by First Baptist Church of Salado, 8:15 p.m., bring a lawn



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chair. Free admission; church groups welcome. Info: 254-947-5465 or www.fbcsalado.org. APRIL 18

Teacup Tuesday meeting, Program: "History Mysteries" by author, historian and Salado-resident Charlie Turnbo, 9: 30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church.

APRIL 19

Mill Creek Community Association Spring Cleanup. 8:30 a.m. coffee and rolls, 11:30 a.m. free hot dog lunch. More details TBA. APRIL 22

Third Annual Salado Dog Daze, in Pace Park. Details TBA. APRIL 22-23

Eleventh Annual
Gospel Festival at
Tablerock Amphitheater, , 11 a.m.-8 p.m.
April 22 and 10 a.m.-6
p.m. April 23. Food,
drink, and gift vendors
on-site. Admission: \$5 for
adults, \$3 for children 12
and under. Tickets available at gate. Info: Donnie
Jackson, 254-947-5100 or
email cvmusicministry@
aol.com.

May 1 Salade

**Salado Historical Society board meeting,**7 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

May 6-7

Third Annual Salado Yard and Garden Tour, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. May 6 and 1-4 p.m. May 7. More details TBA. MAY 11

Salado Chamber
of Commerce Ladies
Auxiliary Spring Luncheon at the Salado Civic
Center. Program: Gwen
Morrison on "Mothers
and Daughters."
MAY 13

Eleventh Annual Thomas Arnold Elementary Fourth Grade Play at Tablerock Amphitheater, 7:30 p.m. Students, under the direction of Jackie Mills, write, produce, crew and act in their own melodrama. Admission: Adults, \$5; children, \$3.

May 16

Teacup Tuesday meeting, "Tea, Talk and Togetherness" luncheon at Stagecoach Inn. Details TBA.

May 17

Mill Creek Community Association meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Inn on the Creek.

MAY 25

Salado High School Class of 2005-06 graduation ceremony at Bell County Expo Center. Info: Salado High School, 254-947-5429. JUNE 5

Salado Historical Society board meeting, 7 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

June 8

Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 9:30 a.m. at the Civic Center. Program TBA. JUNE 10

Annual Salado Reunion, 9:30 a.m.-3: 30 p.m. at the Salado Intermediate School. Info: 254-947-5783 or 254-939-3187.

JUNE 21 Mill Creek Community Association meet-

ing, 5:30 p.m. at the Inn on the Creek.

JUNE 24-25

Auditions for
Tablerock's production
of Macbeth, 3 p.m. both
days at Tablerock. Director: David Dunlap, 254247-0220 or ddunlap@
tablerock.org.
July 4

Salado Historical
Society Annual Picnic, 6:
30 p.m. in Pace Park.
July 13

Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 9:30 a.m. at the Civic Center. Program TBA. JULY 19

Mill Creek Community Association meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Inn on the Creek.
JULY 22, 29 & Aug. 5

Tablerock's 14th
Annual presentation of
Salado Legends, 8:15
p.m. Dinner: 7:15 p.m.,
cost \$8, reservations
required. Performance
tickets: \$15 adults, \$5 for
children 12 and under.
Info: 254-947-3205 or
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August 5-6

40th Annual Salado Art Fair in Pace Park. Info: Salado Chamber of Commerce, 254-9475040. **August 10** 

Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 9:30 a.m. at the Civic Center. Program: Paul Letourneau on his book "My Vietnam Experiences." Spouses invited.

August 12

Mill Creek Community Association Fall Social, 6 p.m. happy hour, 7 p.m. dinner. Details TBA.

August 16

Mill Creek Community Association meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Inn on the Creek.

SEPTEMBER 16-17

**Tablerock's Fantasy Faire** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. both days, featuring characters from history, literature, mythology and imagination. Enjoy music, dance, swordplay and storytelling, and shop goods from over 50 vendors. Admission: \$7 for adults, \$5 for children 12 and under, seniors and military. Info: 254-624-1008 or email hhood@tablerock.org. **SEPTEMBER 20** 

Mill Creek Community Association meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Inn on the Creek.

OCTOBER 7-8

Audtions for Tablerock's annual A Christmas Carol production, 3 p.m. both days. Info: 254-947-9205 or email harrycsweet@sbcgl obal.net.

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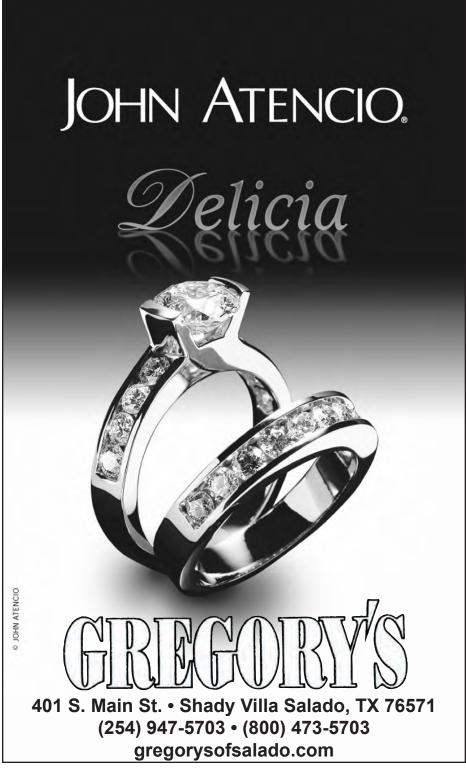
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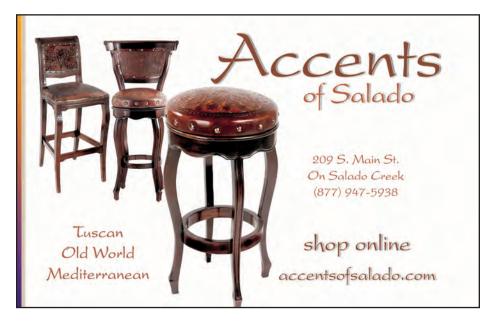
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# Auditions on Feb. 4-5 for **Tablerock Salado Legends**

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Salado Legends requires singers, actors and dancers of all ages and male or female crew members. Last year's cast, crew and workers consisted of over 150 people ranging in ages from 6 months to 85 years. Many families use Salado Legends as a family project. The old saying, "Families that play together stay together," is

Singers should bring tapes or CD's for their accompaniment. A piano is available, bring your own accompanist. Actors will give cold readings from a furnished Salado Legend script. Dancers need only to list their experience.

Singing and dance rehearsals begin on June 12. and continue 7-9:30 p.m. on weekdays.

Actors will rehearse by scene and are not required to attend rehearsals every night unless they are assigned a major role.

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of Salado Legends are on July 22 and 29 and Aug. 5. Please call Tablerock

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# Losing weight requires more than just counting calories in diet

of responses I have received concerning hormones and their place in improving one's health, fat-loss and physique/ figure, I want to speak to that important concept specifically.

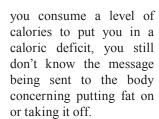
So, what exactly do you mean when you say, "It is much more than a calorie to burn, food creates hormonal responses that can guide you to fast and constant fat-loss or even stop fat-burning in its tracks."?

Have you ever heard "The Atkins" diet, "The Sugar-Busters" diet, "The Protein Power Diet" and now even "The South Beach" diet?

These diets, among others, are predominately concerned with hormonal responses, and not calorie counting, or energy expenditure per se. The reason for this is that the Law of Thermodynamics fat-loss concerning has a number of short-Specifically, comings. hormones transmit messages throughout the body during and after every meal, so even if

#### LIFESTYLE AND WELLNESS

BY KEVIN MCAULEY



Generally speaking, a high-carbohydrate meal will create an insulin response and a highprotein meal will create glucagon response. Insulin is an anabolic hormone and glucagon is a catabolic hormone, or insulin is good for "building" and glucagon is better for "tearing down". So, now you know why the most recent diets focus on the Glycemic Index and how you combine your foods. A 2100 calorie diet of low-fat foods that constantly create insulin responses is not going to be as beneficial for fatloss, even if it puts you in a caloric deficit, as one that balances your insulin and glucagons responses.

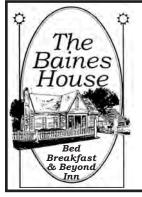
One final-point, I am

not endorsing any of the "diets" above, as I do not believe in "one diet fits all" or the "universal diet" theory. I believe we are all unique, with our own individual biochemistry, and we need to understand that when we combining our foods.

So, what is the answer? All your meals need to be balanced with the proper ratio of healthy fats, quality proteins, real carbohydrates and noncarbohydrates, starchy specifically for you and your present metabolism. Just as the most powerful

and race cars need the proper mixture of fuel to create optimal performance, we are no different, but even more complex. So, if you want to improve your energy, and decrease your bodyfat, begin to focus on meal combinations and the number of meals you consume before you start calorie counting. You may find that you will never have to count calories after all, and that would be a good thing. Trust me.

Kevin McCauley, MA, is a Lifestyle and Wellness Coach Salado. He has years of professional experience as a personal trainer and clinical nutritionist, and can be reached 254-947-8304, youbewell@earthlink.net.



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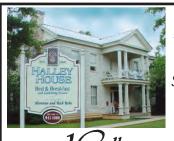




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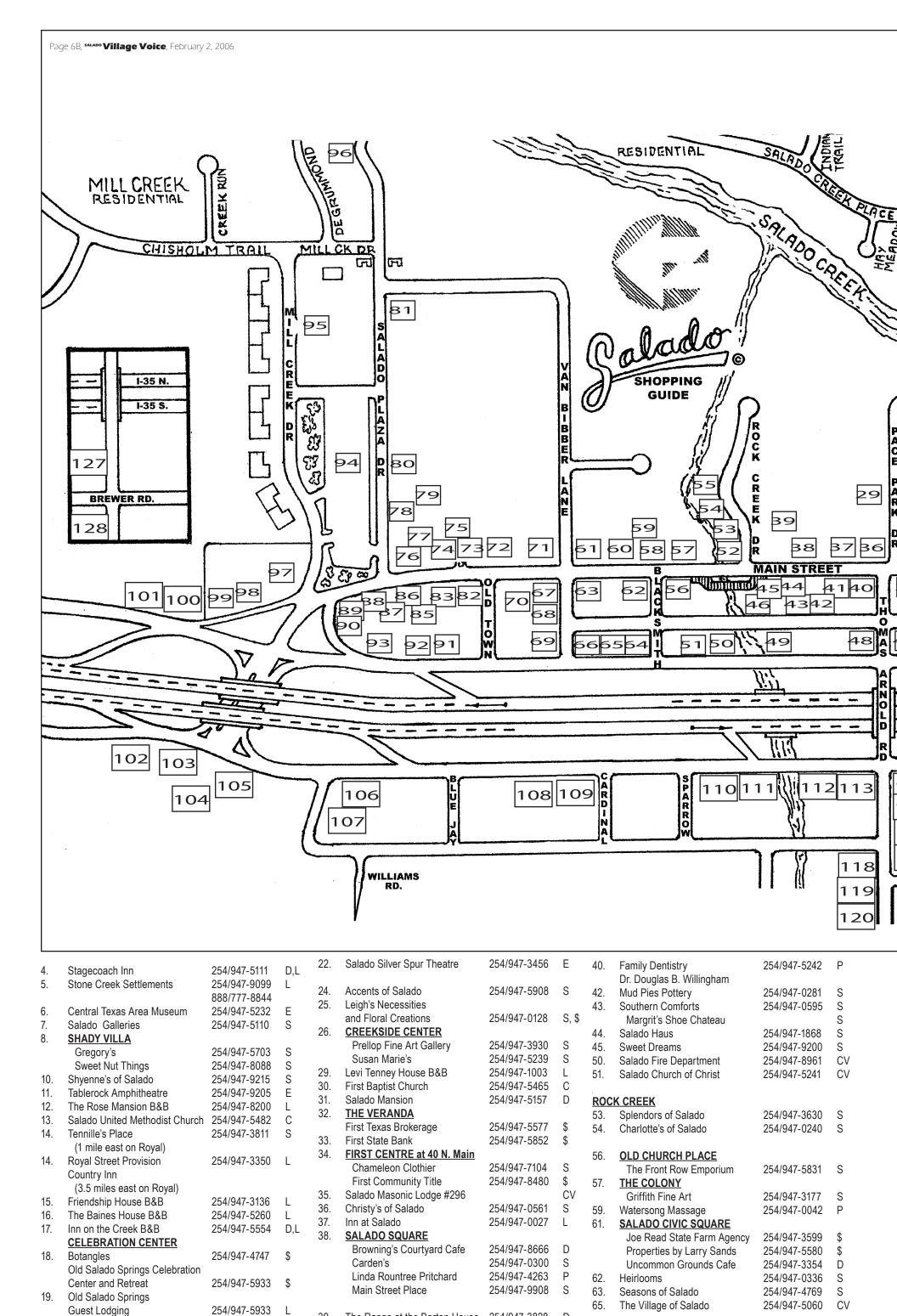
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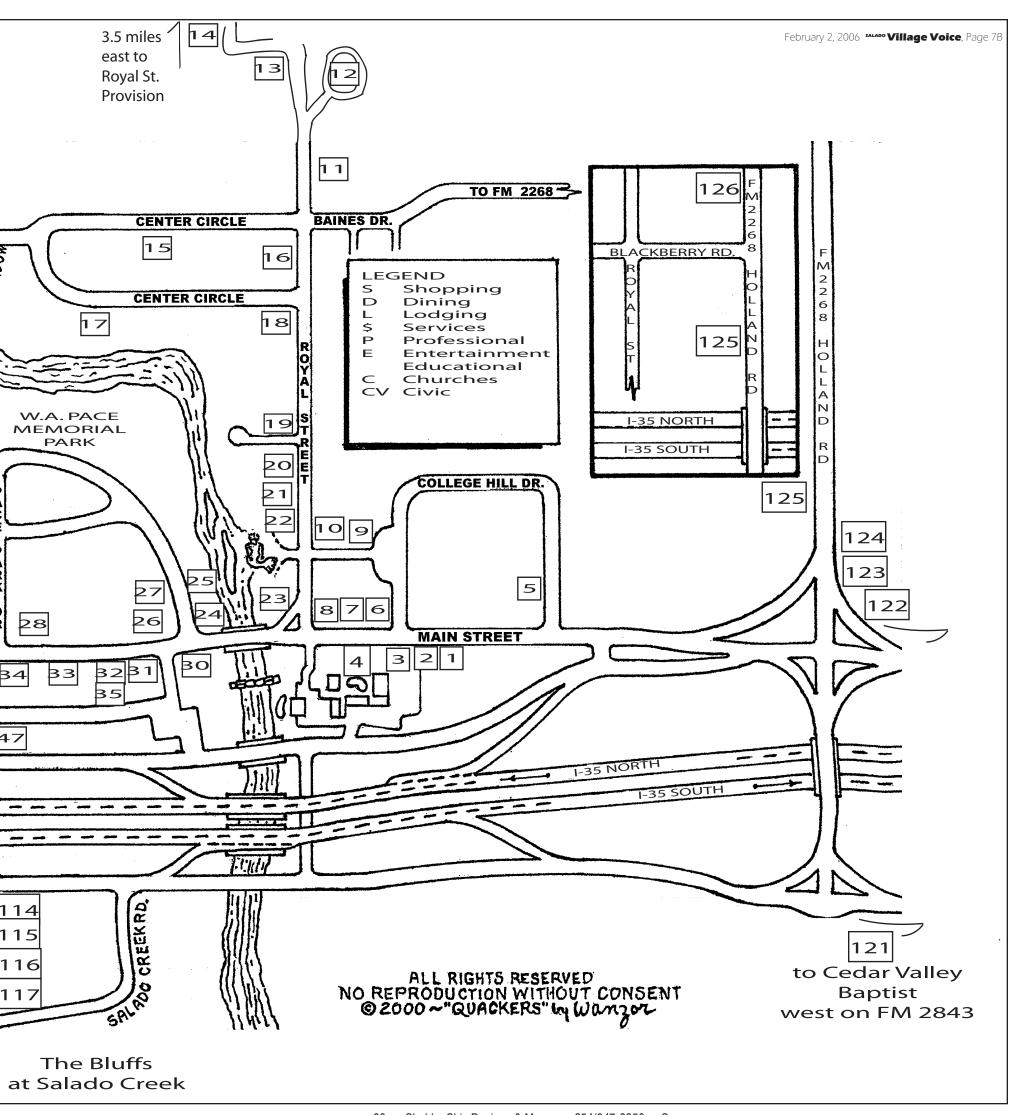
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# Mill Creek directory nears completion

# **Beautification chairman sought**

The Creek Community Association directory

will be going to press

Gerry Reihsen, Directory Chairman, requests that all residents check their present copy and review it to affirm if the information is correct. He may be reached at 947-3901 for corrections and updates.

It is membership dues time for the new year. The yearly dues are \$20 and can be mailed

to MCCA, P.O. Box 562, Salado, TX 76571.

Membership encouraged as the Association is active in maintaining property values by participating in the encouragment of the covenants; maintaining a beautification program; a clean-up day; inforcing the Neighborhood Watch program; affording social occasions for fellowship and most importantly, welcoming new residents to the area and inviting them to participate in the organization.

Association The encourages anyone

government of the group to attend their meetings on the third Wednesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. at the Inn on the Creek.

At the present time, a search is on for someone to lead the Beautification Committee.

This entails working with the garden being established at the corner of Old Mill and Southridge; the maintenance of the Mill Creek entry sign and chairing the annual Clean-up Day.

Volunteers may call Bobbie Reihsen at 947-



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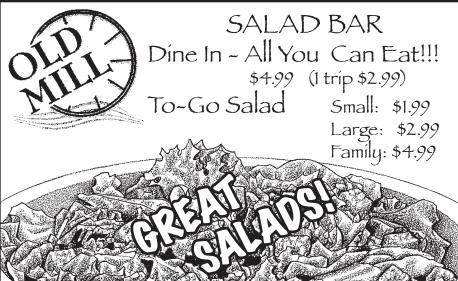
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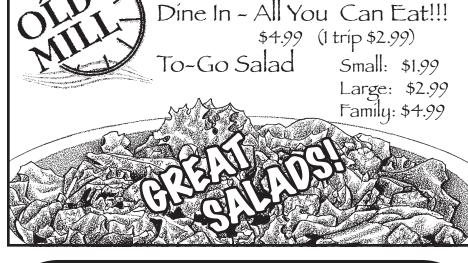
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# Village Artists schedule February art workshop

Paula White of Roswell, New Mexico will head the first art workshop of 2006, sponsored by the Salado Village Artists, Feb. 22-

Each year the Salado art group invites five or six internationally known and talented artists to come to Salado for extended teaching experiences. These classes are open to the public and are fundraisers for the art club's endeavors.

Paula White is an artist equally at home in acrylic, oil, or watercolor. Her paintings exhibit an effortless energy imbued

Brisket, a favorite

will surprise workshopt attendees with her vivid colors, yet one of her teaching methods will involve a black and white value sketch using a brush pen and water.

Her three-day workshop will highlight design composition including vibrant colors and expressive movement. Working in their choice of medium, students will gain an insight to the knowledge and talent which have brought Paula Many national awards for her work.

The workshop will be held 9 a.m.-3 p.m. with a serene calm. She each day at the Salado



Paula White will lead a three day art workshop in late February in Salado, teaching, among other things, the finer points of landscape painting.

Art Building, with lunch provided. Seating is very limited and a supply list is available with reservation. Cost of the three classes is \$200; a deposit of \$50 will hold your place.

Contact Sylvia Hodges

at 254-947-7176 or at Sylvia10@vvm.com, or Helen Alexander 254-947-1089 halex@vvm.com. The mailing address is P. O. Box 363, Salado, Texas,

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Manischewitz, a familiar name in the Jewish food market, developed this recipe for us. Enjoy!

to absorb the precious

essence. You'll probably

never cook it any other

#### Beer Braised Brisket & **Root Vegetables**

3 tablespoons vegetable

1 (3 to 4 pound) beef brisket (do not trim fat) Manischewitz Brisket & Steak and Brisket Seasoning rub

1 cup baby carrots

1 onion, thinly sliced

5 cloves garlic, chopped, or less, if desired

1 parsnip, peeled and cut into chunks

1 turnip, peeled and cut into chunks 5 small red or purple pota-

toes, unpeeled 5 small new potatoes,

unpeeled 1 (12 ounce) can or bottle

beer 2 teaspoons Manischewitz

Onion Soup Mix Manischewitz Creamy

Horseradish Wasabi Sauce

Place oil into a large, ovenproof pot or Dutch oven over medium heat. Season both sides of the meat with brisket seasoning rub. When oil is hot, add meat and sear on both sides, 4 to 5 minutes, or until nicely browned and

no longer sticking to pot. Add carrots, sliced onion, garlic, parsnip, turnip and potatoes. Pour beer over meat and vegetables.

# The Chopping Block

By Philomena Corradeno

Add a cup or two of water so that liquid comes up three-fourths of way on meat. Sprinkle on soup

Cover pot and place in preheated 350 F oven. Cook for 3 hours. Remove pot from oven. When pot is cool, refrigerate over-

The next day, with a sharp knife, thinly slice meat across the grain. Reheat sliced brisket and

vegetables. Serve with Manischewitz Creamy Wasabi Horseradish Sauce. Makes 6 to 8 servIn March 2006, Land O' Lakes will introduce halfpound packages of salted

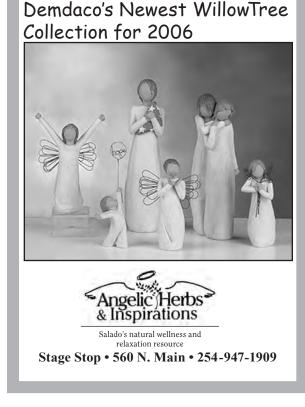
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Frito Lay has a long list of products it will add in 2006. In February: Garden Salsa Sunchips Multigrain snacks, Lay's Hot 'n Spicy BBQ Stax, Baked Cheetos Crunchy Twisted snacks and Lay's Sensations Sweet Chili & Sour Cream Sensations Kettle Cooked Potato Chips; in March: Lay's Light Sour Cream & Onion chips, Tostitos Sensations Roasted Garlic & Herb, and Bite Size Gold. In May, look for Doritos Fiery Habanero Doritos.

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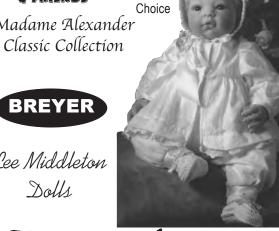
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**Bridge** (winter vehicle) By Steve Becker Situations occasionally

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arise during the play where your only hope of making a contract, or defeating one, lies in convincing an opponent that a condition exists which, in fact, does not exist.

It doesn't matter what you call this type of warfare -- deception, deviousness, falsecarding; what matters is whether you succeed in selling your adversary a bill of goods.

Take this unusual case where West defeated a contract that declarer, against normal defense, would very likely have made. It seemed to West that a heart lead offered very little chance of collecting four tricks, so he started by leading his singleton club.

East took the A-K and returned a club, which West ruffed with the king! As a result of this extraordinary play, South went down one.

Declarer won the heart return with dummy's ace, led a spade and finessed the nine after East followed low. West took the setting trick with the ten, and that was that.

If West had ruffed the third club with the ten, as any less-imaginative defender would have done, declarer would probably have made the contract. South would have placed West with the spade king for his opening bid after East had shown up with the A-K of clubs, and would presumably have played the ace and caught the king instead of attempting the finesse.

Ruffing with the king was a most effective way of selling declarer the idea that West could not have the jack or ten. Perhaps South should not have fallen into the trap, but who can argue with success?

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# Weekly SUDOKU

## by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

#### **DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★**

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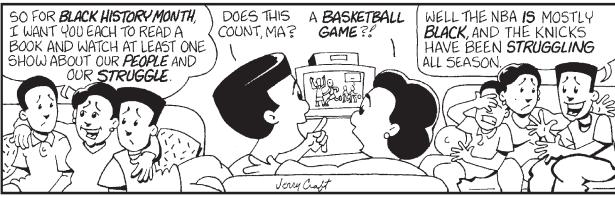


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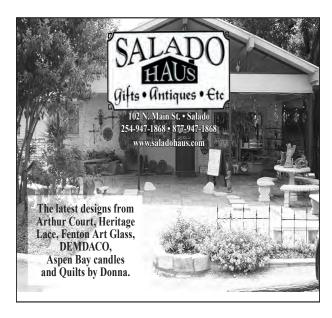
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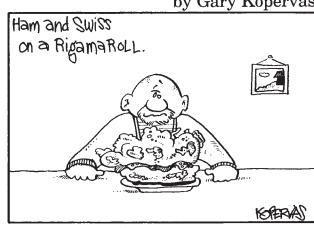


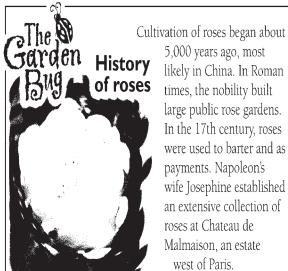


Out on a Limb Ham and Swiss

on a Roll.

by Gary Kopervas





5,000 years ago, most likely in China. In Roman times, the nobility built large public rose gardens. In the 17th century, roses were used to barter and as payments. Napoleon's wife Josephine established an extensive collection of roses at Chateau de

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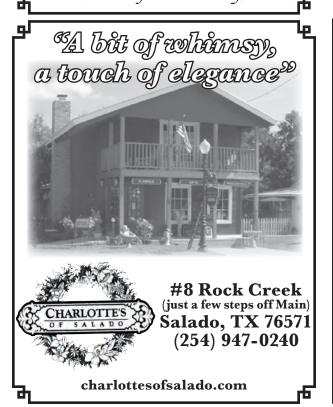
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# The original real Texas calendar

Roger Moore lives at Spicewood, near Austin. He's in the advertising business and produces a weekly cartoon for a dozen newspapers. He travels a lot to his farm near Merkel, where he grew up.

"I do most of my creative thinking in the pickup," says Roger. "Driving along, you have to think. I keep a pad close by so I can jot down things that pop into my mind. I've even stopped by the side of the road to write down a good thought or sketch something when it hits me."

In 1998 he started doing an annual calendar about Texas. Instead of starting on January first, his calendar starts on March second.

"The Chinese have their calendar, the Aztecs have a calendar and Texas needs a calendar, too. So I came up with this. Everybody knows the New Year starts on March second. That's when Texas started."

His calendars have a cartoon for every month. In addition, he puts Texas history events on specific dates.

"It keeps me study-

by Tumbleweed Smith

ing Texas history," says Roger, "and learning more about it. I'll never run out of material in my lifetime to do these calendars. I've got a ton of material. I've done over 600 weekly cartoons and I can do at least that many more without doing a lot more research. It's amazing how much stuff there is out there about our history and how special we are as Texans. It's a huge state with plenty of interesting history and colorful characters. There are things going on right now that will be in the archives pretty soon."

His 2006 calendar will be the eighth one he has produced. This one will be less serious than the previous ones. For instance, it'll have birthdays of Texas legends. Lightning Hopkins of blues music fame was born in Centerville on March 15, 1912. Of course it'll have all the significant dates in Texas

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history, like March 6, the fall of the Alamo in 1836. Other dates in his 2006 calendar are April 14, 1958: Van Cliburn wins the International Piano Competition in Moscow; April 21, 1836: Texans defeat Santa Anna's army at the battle of San Jacinto; May 23, 1929: "Texas Our Texas" is made the state song; July 4, 1883: the first recorded rodeo is held at Pecos; September 29, 1907: Gene Autry is born at Tioga; November 8, 1932: Uvalde's John Nance Garner is elected Vice President of the United States.

Roger's calendar came about because he thinks not enough attention is paid to March 2, the date Texas became an independent republic.

I've thought that same thing for a long time. I'm glad to see someone doing something about Roger's calendars are available for \$7 at 3614 Crosswind Drive, Spicewood, Texas 78669 or texascalendars.com or phone (512) 263-6943 or fax (512) 264-0756. The Texas calendar is a good way to keep up with the date and learn about Texas at the same time. Roger also does a line of note and holiday cards featuring his cartoons.

# Speech and Debate captures sweepstakes

The Salado Speech and Debate Team captured the sweepstakes championship at the J.P. Worsham Memorial Texas Forensic Association (T.F.A.) Speech Tournament at Snyder High School held Jan. 20 and 21. A total of fifty six schools competed in the meet

Travis and Tyler Cook qualified for the T.F.A. State Meet in Domestic Extemp. They are the first students from Salado to ever qualify for this prestigious meet. T.F.A. is open to all schools in Texas, which means students from Salado must compete against private and large (3A-5A) schools.

To qualify for the state tournament, a student must collect eight points during the competitive season. T.F.A State will be held March 2-4, at Pharr-San Juan-Alamo High School in Pharr.

Tyler Cook won firstst place in domestic extemporaneous speaking, earning eight points. Travis Cook placed fifth, earning two points. He entered the meet with six points. Magan Bradshaw placed seventh, earning one point putting her at three points.

In Lincoln-Douglas Debate, Tyler Cook captured second place, earning six points. Travis Cook reached the quarterfinal round of competition, bringing his total in LD debate to four points. Bradshaw currently has two points in LD debate.

On Jan. 10, Bradshaw was chosen to compete at the T.F.A. State Meet in Student Congress. One hundred and two schools legislation submitted for consideration at the state meet. The top 25 resolutions were selected to be debated in March. Salado High School's legislation was the 14th resolution chosen. The legislation would prohibit drug testing of high school students unless the drug testing meets the Fourth Amendment central requirement of reasonableness



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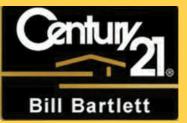




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# Count **Birds: Make Belton** Count

By WALT BROWN

The Great Backvard Bird Count will be held this Presidents' Day weekend, Feb. 17-20. The Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology and the Audubon Society need help from citizens across the nation to determine the number, migratory patterns and kinds of birds in backyards.

Belton is fortunate to have two nearby lakes, a river, Nolan Creek, and wooded areas that host a variety of birds. This area of Central Texas can contribute greatly to the knowledge gathered during the Count, and Belton can show up on the Cornell website as a participating location, with results posted frequently during the days of the Count.

Why bother? Watching birds and making a record of your sightings can be fun. If you participate with your children, they may learn observation techniques as well as methods of recording data. Moreover, your observations can help give scientists an immense picture of the nation's winter birds and their habits and habitats. This year's data may be of greater significance because of the unusual weather patterns much of the United States has been experiencing.

Bird counters can participate for one or more days; don't need extensive knowledge of birds (just record the ones you know); and can use a backyard, park or any other likely area for their observations. Families can count together and record their sightings, or groups can take a short walk together and count the birds they see, with one person keeping the record. Each day's record is submitted to the GBBC website, birdsource.org/gbbc. If you do not have access to the Internet to submit your findings, you can use the computers at the Lena Armstrong Public Library in Belton, or call Jane and Walt Brown at 939-1635. The Browns can also provide instruction and tally

Take a break from the rigors of a Central Texas winter and count chickadees, goldfinches, blue jays and grackles. Why should the birds be the only ones enjoying our weather?

# Final round of questions on bond

Can Salado ISD grow or is it landlocked?

Salado ISD comprises square miles. Salado ISD's boundaries are not the same as the Village of Salado. Salado ISD includes land which is in the following ETJ's: Temple, Belton, Harker Heights, Killeen, and Salado. Only a school board or boards can change a school district's boundaries.

#### Do we spend more than other districts?

Based upon Standard and Poor's nationwide survey in 2003 (the last audited school records), Salado spends \$5,984 per student, Academy, Rogers, Blanco, and Eanes spend over \$7,000 per student and Belton, Troy, Cameron and Liberty Hill spend over \$6,000 per pupil. In 2005, although not audited Salado I.S.D. is spending \$6395 per The information from other districts is not available yet. The increase is predominantly due to increases in utility and fuel costs, and federally or state required program-

What is the difference between the \$675,000 football stadium renovations (discussed before the first bond election) and the \$250,000 football stadium renovations?

The \$675,000 included lighting, concession and press box renovations. The \$250,000 only includes ADA upgrades i.e. ramps, seating, sidewalks, and restrooms, and portable bleachers.

#### Will there be one or two gyms in the new high school?

Our goal is to have two gyms in the new high school; however this is contingent upon the bidding process, which will be in Fall 2006, if a bond is passed. If economics prevent this, we will concentrate on classrooms first. Two gyms is preferred to accommodate physical education and athletic classes during the school day in order to separate ages and genders.

#### What is the capacity of the current high school gym and FB stadium?

The existing high school gym has 8,320 sf. with total bleacher capacity of 461 seats.

I do not have figures on the high school FB capacity yet.

What will be the capacity of the new gym?

We have not begun drawing plans and will not until the bond is passed,

# **Supt's Corner**

by Dr. Robin Battershell

but the new gym will have a greater capacity than the current gym.

#### Will there be practice fields at the new site?

There will not be practice fields for softball and baseball. These fields require fencing, etc. Band and football will have practice fields. Like many other districts, softball and baseball will use the current fields which will be off-site.

#### Is the new facility including gym(s), practice field, etc adequate for five years?

This depends on the growth rate and UIL standing.

UIL Are there requirements for a 3A school? No.

#### Will we be a 3A school district next year?

We do not know. The State UIL Committee gets enrollments from all Texas

districts at the end of October. They use these numbers to realign every two years. We will know in February, 2006.

#### If this bond is approved, will Salado ISD be the highest taxed district in the State?

Currently Salado ISD (ranks #6 among Bell County Tax Appraisal school districts for total tax rate with 1 being the highest, Belton ISD at \$1.7185, and 10 being the lowest, Moody ISD at \$1.42)

Currently Salado ISD (\$1.4220) ranks #7 among Bell County Tax Appraisal school districts for Maintenance & Operations tax rate with 1 being the highest, Belton, Bartlett, and Temple at \$1.50 and Moody being the lowest at #10 for \$1.42.

If both propositions are approved and if property values or enrollment do not increase and the current finance formula is not overturned, then the maxi-

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mum total local tax rate would be \$1.8363 in two years. We cannot project what other districts will be taxing in two years.

#### What if the bond doesn't pass?

Either way, taxes will have to rise because we need space. One portable building adds \$.013 to the tax rate and additional classrooms don't solve the core facility problems.

The current facilities are fine; we are just exceeding capacity. Our English and physics classes have 25 students now. High numbers in core classes increase the workload and affect the quality of instruction. We compete with surrounding districts for the best teachers. When teachers can go to other districts in the area and get paid more and have fewer students that is a threat to our hiring power. This is especially true when many of our teachers already commute. At the elementary level we will begin to have student teacher ratio problems. The state law is 22:1 in K-fifth grade. We are over 22:1 in third grade currently.

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The auction item displays a photo of President Ronald Reagan speaking to Soviet Leader Gorbachev in which he spoke the famous words, "Mr. Gorbachev, tear down this wall!" A small piece of the Berlin Wall is part of the display.

U.S. Senator John Cornyn will be the keynote speaker at the event and the event will focus on celebrating the conservative values of the Republican Party. Some members of the military and their families will be recognized as well.

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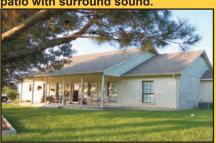
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\$169,000: Home on 2.9 acres with long wrap-around porch. Beautiful live oak trees on property. 4 BR, 2 BA, 2 LR, one dining. Easy access to I-35. Short distance to Killeen or Salado.



\$109,900: Minutes from Scott & White and the Temple Mall, this recently updated home is ready for occupancy. Updates include: fresh paint, carpet, flooring, appliances, A/C unit (inside). Owner is licensed real estate broker.

# Are materials used in car interiors hazardous to our health?

Dear EarthTalk: Is it true that the materials used in car interiors can be hazardous to our health?-- Chris Smith. Bethesda, MD

"Indoor air pollution" in homes and offices has been studied extensively in recent vears--with sometimes alarming conclusions that have

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Americans spend 90 minutes on average each day, have largely escaped scrutiny.

However, on Jan.11 of this year, the Michiganbased Ecology Center released a report entitled: "Toxic at Any Speed: Cars Chemicals in and the Need for Safe Alternatives." In this new report, researchers detail how heat and ultraviolet (UV) light can trigger the release inside cars of a number of chemicals linked to birth defects, premature births, impaired learning and liver toxicity, among other serious health problems.

Polybrominated diphenyl ethers (or PBDEs, often used as fire retardants) and phthalates (chemicals used to soften plastics) are the primary culprits. Part of the seat cushions, armrests, floor coverings and plastic parts in most car interiors, chemicals are easily inhaled or ingested through contact with dust by drivers and passengers. The risks are greatest in summer, when car interiors can get as hot as 192° F

Motorists can lessen their risks by rolling down car windows, parking in the shade and using interior sun reflectors. But the Ecology Center is urging carmakers to stop using such chemicals in the first place. "We can no longer rely just on seatbelts and airbags to keep us safe in cars," says Jeff Gearhart, the Ecology Center's Clean Car Campaign Director and co-author of the report. "Our research shows that autos are chemical reactors, releasing toxins before we even turn on the ignition. There are safer alternatives to these chemicals, and innovative companies that develop them first will likely be rewarded by consumers."

In preparing its report, Ecology Center collected windshield film and dust from 2000 to 2005 models made by 11 leading manufacturers. Volvo was found to have the lowest phthalate levels and the second lowest PBDE levels, making it the industry leader in interior air quality. Volvo also has the toughest policies for phasing out these chemicals. Other makers claim they have eliminated some but not all PBDEs and phthalates. Ford, for example, reports that it has eliminated PBDEs from "interior components

that customers may come into contact with." Honda reports it has eliminated most phthalate-containing PVC. Other carmakers were BMW, Chrysler, GM, Hyundai, Mercedes, Subaru, Toyota and Volkswagen.

With indoor pollution already listed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as one of the top five environmental risks to public health, the Ecology Center is especially concerned that concentrations of PBDEs are five times higher inside cars than in homes and offices. The organization is calling on the U.S. government to ban the worst forms of PBDEs and phthalates from use in any indoor environments, and has enlisted the help of several concerned members of Congress to help write legislation to that effect.

**CONTACT**: Center, Ecology www.ecocenter.org.

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EarthTalk: Dear What is the status of the seal hunt that used to be held each winter in Newfoundland, Canada? I thought it had ended but then I heard it had started up again. --Mary, via e-mail

The first European explorers who landed on the eastern coast of Canada in the late 17th century estimated the local seal population to number around 30 million. With such an abundance of wildlife and a huge demand around the world at the time for seal oil and pelts, the hunt was on almost immediately. But biologists estimate that by the early 1970s, when the Canadian government began to regulate marine mammal hunting, only about two million seals were left in the area.

Not until the 1980s did inhumane seal hunting including practices, clubbing and shooting of "whitecoat" harp baby seals, begin to foment public outrage. As a the European result, Parliament banned the import of baby harp seal pelts from Canada 1984. Meanwhile, in Britain-based International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW) called for a boycott of all Canadian seafood that same year. These actions forced the Canadian government to ban vessel-based seal hunting Canadian waters (although land-based seal hunting was still allowed), significantly reducing the numbers of seals killed over the following few

years. This short-term fix allowed seal numbers off Canada's Atlantic coast to rebound to about five million.

But more recently, blaming seals for dwindling populations of fish on its Atlantic coast, Canada has allowed more kills as well as a resumption of vesselbased hunting. These days hunters are allowed to take over 300,000 pelts each year, most of which are sold in Europe. Canada also reportedly subsidizes the seal hunt, some \$20 million per year, according to the Canadian Institute for Business and the Environment, in order to help the fishermen who rely on seal hunting for a portion of their incomes.

Meanwhile, animal advocates counter that mismanagement fisheries by Canada's government is really to blame for dwindling fish, not hungry seals. Last year Mhairi Dunlop of Greenpeace told Environmental News Service: "The Canadian government has a long history of mismanaging ecosystems. marine yielding to the short-term interests of the fishing and sealing industries at great cost to jobs and marine life."

The Protect Seals Network, an international of coalition three-dozen groups including Greenpeace, Canada's Nova Scotia and Vancouver humane societies and others, is calling for a new boycott of Canadian seafood. As one of its many actions, the group recently placed a full-page ad in the Christian Science Monitor urging readers to join the boycott until Canada's government ends the seal hunt.

According to the website harpseals.org, which monitors seal hunting worldwide and advocates for eliminating the hunt, Canada is set to release a new three-year quota for seal pelts before the beginning of the new season to begin in March. Environmental and animal groups are hoping that officials there will bow to pressure and reduce the total allowable catch of seals from the record numbers allowed during the previous three-year period ending in 2005.

CONTACTS: IFAW, www.ifaw.org; Harpseals.org, www.harpseals.org; Protect Seals Network, www.hsus.org/marine mammals/ protect seals/ the\_protect\_seals\_ network. html.

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# Winter conditions can damage your trees

Winter conditions can damage cherished trees and shrubs in suburban landscapes. Even areas without major snowfall experience high winds and huge fluctuations in temperatures during winter. But homeowners can lessen the adverse effects of winter weather with preventive maintenance.

#### What can happen in winter, and how you can avoid it

"Branches of trees can break due to the excessive weight of ice or snow," says Peter Gerstenberger, senior advisor for safety, standards and compliance with the Tree Care Industry Association. "Proper pruning encourages the formation of the strongest possible branches and branch attachments. When pruning alone isn't enough, properly installed cables and rigid braces can add support to a weakened part of the tree."

Winter winds cause evergreens to lose moisture from their needles. Even some deciduous trees suffer from winter drying. If water is not available as moisture is drawn from living cells, permanent damage will result. The best prevention consists of planting only hardy species in areas of prolonged exposure, watering plants adequately in the fall, and mulching to insulate the soil and roots from severe cold.

On sunny days in winter, the tree's trunk and main limbs can warm to 15 degrees higher than the air temperature. As soon as the sun's rays stop reaching the stem, its temperature plummets, causing injury or permanent damage to the bark. The two main types of injury are known as sun scald and frost cracking. The effects of sun scald and frost cracking can be reduced by sound arboricultural practices to maintain overall health, and also by covering the trunks of young, susceptible trees with a suitable tree wrap.

#### Winter is a good time to prune

"Most skilled arborists prefer pruning when trees are dormant," says Gerstenberger. "With no leaves on the tree, the arborist is better able to evaluate its architecture and spot dead or diseased branches. In addition, since the ground is frozen, damage to the turf underneath the tree due to falling limbs and

tire tracks is negligible. This is also a good time to check trees for diseases and other damage."

Here are some other ways the Tree Care Industry Association recommends to improve the health of your living landscape:

- Aeration around trees helps improve water and air movement in the soil. This strengthens the tree's root system and reduces soil compaction.
- When planting, choose hardy available in your area as they have better chances for survival in severe conditions. Choosing the best location and following proper procedures planting should be your highest priorities.
- Stop fertilizing trees in early fall to allow them to prepare for winter.
- In case of moderate storm damage, restoring the tree to its former health and beauty may take some time, but it generally can make a full recovery. Broken, hazardous limbs be immediately. Pruning to remove broken stubs and restore the balance of the crown can be put off a little while, but shouldn't be delayed more than one growing season.

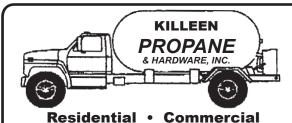
Homeowners who are looking for someone to assess their landscape and make recommendations should consult a professional arborist.

Contact the Tree Care Industry Association (TCIA), a 67-year-old public and professional resource on trees and arboriculture. more than 2,000 member companies who recognize stringent safety and performance standards, and are required to carry liability insurance. TCIA also has the nation's only Accreditation program that helps consumers find tree care companies that have been inspected and accredited based on: adherence to industry standards for quality and safety; maintenance of trained, professional staff; and dedication to ethics and quality in business practices. An easy way to find a tree care service provider in your area is to use the "Locate Your Local TCIA Member program. Companies" You can use this service by calling 1-800-733-2622 or by doing a ZIP code search on the TCIA web site, www.treecare

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# **Confused by contemporary?**

(ARA) - Mixed up by modern? Confused what's considered contemporary? more emphasis on home design today, it can be difficult for homeowners to distinguish between the array of design styles.

Contemporary "modern" as some may call it) is characterized by clean lines and smooth surfaces without intricate details. But that doesn't mean your home will look stark, cold and sterile. Long gone are the days of boxy furniture and eccentric decorating. Today's updated contemporary look is a blend of comfortable, livable elements that create a sophisticated, fresh feel.

To create this look in your home, start by incorporating these five kev elements: color, metal accents, texture, wood tone and lighting.

Contemporary design is offset by neutral color palettes. When painting the walls, choose shades of brown, taupe, cream or pure white. However, neutral does not mean boring, so be sure to infuse the room with small splashes of a more vibrant, bold color. This may include painting one wall with an accent color, adding a bold red sofa, or adding vivid accessories, such as decorative pillows, towels, rugs or art. Just be sure not to overaccessorize -- the key to contemporary design is simplicity.

#### **Metal Accents**

Stainless steel, nickel and chrome metals are prevalent in contemporary design, providing a decorative framework of sleek finishes. Furniture, end tables, lamps and even bathroom fixtures featuring beautiful metal accents provide this look in all rooms of the home. In the bath, Moen's new Icon suite features clean, geometric lines, a higharc spout and Chrome and Brushed Nickel finishes. Plus, with accessories, such as a robe hook, decorative tank lever, towel bars, and glass shelf, it's easy for homeowners to coordinate the urban. stylish look throughout the entire room.

#### Texture

To offset the clean, smooth lines of the metal accents, use fabrics such as silk, crushed velvet. linen or wool in your room to add texture and create a more natural, inviting feeling. In the bathroom. this may include fluffy rugs, towels or fabric





Sleek lines for the contemporary look.

shower curtains. In family rooms, this could include over-stuffed pillows, window treatments or the furniture upholstery. Texture can also be added to walls. New wallpapers made of linen can be an interesting way to add depth to the vertical surfaces of the room. But, one word of caution -stay away from elaborate patterns or intricate details when choosing fabrics, as this will confuse the clean, contemporary look you are trying to achieve.

#### Wood

When it comes to wood surfaces, contemporary designs bring out the extremes, featuring very light or very dark tones. When incorporating woods into your design, look beyond the coffee table and utilize wood surfaces in accessories such as picture frames, large dramatic flower pots or shelves. Feel free to mix the design styles of the wood accessories, but be consistent with the wood tone and carry it throughout the room for a professional appearance.

#### Lighting

Lighting is extremely important in contemporary design, often seen as the key in illuminating the room's design. When choosing lighting for your home, there are many new choices available that provide interesting, clean lines. Track lighting or floor lamps are popular in contemporary design and often utilize metals or bold colors to

reinforce the other metal accessories or splashes of color incorporated into the

By looking at these five different elements and incorporating them into your home décor, you'll be on the path to creating a sophisticated, yet contemporary-styled home. Just make sure that you choose items that you love and elements that inspire you and you'll be on the right path to a beautiful and inviting room.

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amount of money in '05

Judge Don Engleking, Justice of the Peace announced this week that the Precinct

2 Office collected a record amount in 2005. The \$395,050 in revenue represents an increase of approximately 40 percent of that collected in 2004.

It also is the largest amount collected in the last 10 years, according to Engleking, who said that the next closest year was in 1999 when the court collected \$313,200.

Judge Engleking also stated that the number of cases filed had also increased by more than 45 percent over the previous year. In January 2005 there were 191 cases filed with the court compared to 454 cases in the month of October 2005.

Revenue collected is the result of criminal cases filed by law enforcement officers working in the precinct and civil cases filed as the result of law suits, small claim suits and eviction.

MONTH	CASE	S	<b>INQUEST</b>	REVENUE	
	Civil	Criminal			
January	3	188	0	\$18,856.00	
February	2	152	0	31,162.00	
March	2	296	4	25,469.00	
April	2	271	7	32,730.00	
May	1	242	8	27,213.00	
June	1	241	11	33,230.00	
July	0	298	10	27,989.00	
August	4	300	10	33,687.00	
September	2	351	3	32.040.00	
October	4	450	7	41,625.00	
November	1	404	5	44,395.00	
December	6	417	11	46,626.00	
TOTAL	28	3610	76	\$395,050.00	

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION OPERATING PERMIT FROM THE CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

John Kurzyniec has made application to the Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District (CUWCD) on January 19, 2006, for an operating permit to authorize withdrawal from a newly-drilled well with a 1-1/4 inch column pipe at 5-1/2 miles southwest of Killeen on Oakalla Road, east of Clear Creek to produce water for domestic use in a proposed annual quantity of 219,000 gallons or .67 acre-feet.

This application will be set for hearing before the CUWCD Board at a time, date and location which shall be set forth in a notice posted at the Bell County Courthouse Annex and at the CUWCD Office at a future date. You must submit a written request to the CUWCD if you wish to receive further mailed notice of the time, date and location of the hearing, or it will be your responsibility to review the District's public posting. If you would like to support, protest, or provide comments on the application, you must comply with District Rule 8.10 and either appear at the hearing or submit a Contested Case Hearing Request that complies with District Rule 8.10 and that must be received by the District prior to the date of the hearing. For additional information about this application or the permitting process, please contact the CUWCD at 550 East 2nd Avenue, Building A, P.O. Box 729, Belton, Texas 76513, 254-933-0120. The applicant may be contacted at 915 Saratoga, Copperas Cove, TX 76522 or 254-702-6777.

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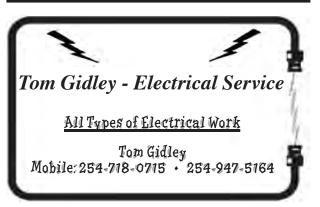
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Royal View lot priced at \$49,900. Indian Trail at Blaylock, Ig corner lot, 90x188 - \$40,000.

Indian Trail - 90x188 - <u>\$38,000.</u>

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1.32 acre fronting I-35 with home, \$350,000

30 acres fronting I-35, 1 mile south of Stage-coach Inn. Additional 30 acres available .87 acres off N. Stagecoach Rd. \$147,408. 3 acres fronting I-35, Phase 3. \$120,000. Approx 3.5 acres off College Hill with small home for \$300,000. B&B: Great chance to live in Salado.

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