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Ceremony tonight

SHS graduation at UMHB Mayborn

cises for the Salado High School Class of 2006 will begin at 7 p.m. May 25 at the Mayborn Center on the campus of University of Mary Hardin-Baylor. The Mayborn Center is located at the corner of University Ave. and Mabee Drive.

The building houses basketball stadium Crusader Basketball with plenty of stadium seating to accommodate attendees. This building also contains the offices for UMHB Athletics.

Candidates for graduation are the following: Ksee Marie Ashcraft Garrett Donovan Askins Michael Justin Baker Jason Roy Baltrun Lacey Jane Bartlett Brian Keith Bates Mattie Darlene Billington Grant Peter Boston Erin Elizabeth Bracken Jared Alan Brank Jacob Owen Brown Dakotah Danielle Buck-

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Kathryn Holdampf

Top SHS graduates named for 2006

Salado High School has named its top two graduates for the class of 2006; Kirsten Nicole Singleton and Kathryn Diane Holdampf.

Kirsten Singleton

Kirsten Nicole Singleton has been named Valedictorian for the Salado High School graduating class of 2006.

Singleton will graduate with a 103.57 GPA. She has been a member

of the UIL literary criticism team for four years and the UIL calculator team for the past two years. She went to state for both of these events in the years she participated in them. Last year, she was regional champion in calculator and the literary criticism team placed first in state. This year, she was state champion in literary criticism and the team placed second. She also placed third last year at the TMSCA state meet in science.

She has received awards in the areas of English 1 Pre-AP, Geometry Honors, Spanish I, and Spanish II Honors. As a junior she was chosen by her teachers to attend the John Ben Shepperd Leadership Forum.

She is a three-year member of National Honor Society, serving as

in the service include

president her senior year. She was president of her class for her sophomore and junior years, and she headed the 2005 Salado High School Prom Committee. She has been a part of One Act Play for the past two years, being involved in this year's state-qualifying "Gint."

Singleton also played tennis for the past two SEE GRADUATES, PAGE 13A

Memorial Day service planned at Cemetery

The Salado Cemetery Association will hold its traditional Memorial Day Service 9:30 a.m. May 29 at the Salado Cemetery.

This year, in addition to the traditional service, William Stephens Morriss, a Royal Canadian Air Force airman of World War II, will be honored by the government of Canada and by his family's presence. Canada has placed a special marker on his grave site.

The ceremony will open with the Color Guard representing soldiers of the Horse Platoon of the First Cavalry Division at Fort

Hood posting the colors. Bell County Commissioner Tim Brown will serve as Master of Ceremonies, and the Honor Roll of Veterans will be read by George Bushee and A.J. Hall, Jr. of the Salado Cemetery Association.

The Roll of Honor includes veterans of the the Army of the Republic of Texas; the Mexican War; the Early Day Rangers, Home Guard and Militia; the Confederate and Union Armies; World Wars I and II; the Korean and Vietnam Wars as well as those who served in peace time.

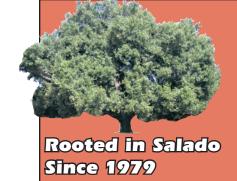
Those participating Salado Mayor Richard Ashe; Salado Cemetery Association President, Dr. Steven Ervin; the Temple Police Department Honor Guard; World War II veterans of Salado: Col. (ret.) Jean Tarbutton, Col. (ret.) Harley Grimm, Col. (ret.) Jack Knox, Lt. Col. (ret.) Jack Jones and Major (ret.) Woody Grisham, Piper Nick Classen, of Austin, and Joe Keyes, minister of the Salado Church of Christ.

One of the highlights of the service each year is the fly-over by the Commemorative Air Force of San Marcos.

Flying airplanes from the era of World War II, they perform the Missing Man Formation. All who attend look forward to this special presentation.

The Salado Police Department assists with the traffic, and the Boy Scouts of American, Troop 115 of Salado, place appropriate flags on the graves of veterans in the Salado Cemetery before the service.

This year the Texas, Confederate and United States flags will be joined by a Canadian one especially made for the grave of William Morris.



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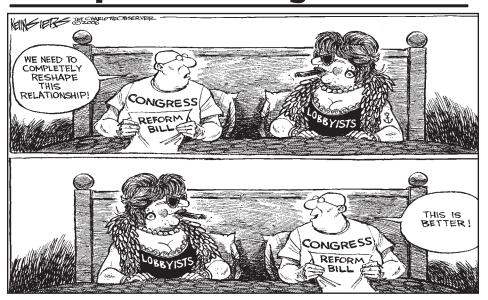
U.S. Congressman John Carter (TX-31) announced that a staff member from his office will hold office hours in Salado 9 a.m.-1 p.m. June 2 at the Salado Civic Center. The staff member will be able to meet with residents to listen to their concerns and provide assistance with regard to federal issues and federal agencies, including but not limited to, Social Security, Veterans Affairs, Citizenship and Immigration.

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An Open Exchange of Ideas



The Democrats' abortion problem

Bob Casey Jr. isn't being punished for the sins of his father, even though he shares them. Casey is a Democrat running for the U.S. Senate. His late father, then the governor of Pennsylvania, was banned from the podium of the 1992 Democratic Convention because he was pro-life. Casey Jr. is pro-life too, but the national party is embracing him.

This shift is a sign that the Democrats are beginning to grapple with a painful truth, one that will hurt even more as its full weight becomes evident to them: The absolutist pro-choice position on abortion is a political loser. In his brilliant and incisive new book, "The Party of Death," my National Review colleague Ramesh Ponnuru demonstrates why.

In the early 1990s, it seemed that all pro-lifers were headed to oblivion, bull-dozed under by the Soccer Mom ascendancy and the public's reaction to the (supposedly) noisome social conservatism of the failed 1992 Republican Convention. But a funny thing happened on the way to the rout of pro-lifers -- the rout began to happen the other way.

Ultrasound images worked to undermine pro-choice premises. What was called a "blob of tissue" that was easily disposed of, looked instead on the scans like a little baby. Asked to believe the pro-choice rhetoric or their own eyes, most people preferred the evidence of their eyes.

Then, the pro-life side began to exploit its openings with a shrewd incremental-ism. Gone were the calls for a constitutional amendment to ban abortion, replaced instead by a push to ban a particularly gruesome form of the procedure, partial-birth abortion. Now it was prochoicers opposing this targeted ban who seemed like extremists.

By 2004, Democrats knew they had to adjust. John Kerry said he believed life begins at conception -- not that he would actually do anything about it. Suddenly,





the uninviting was aimed in the opposite direction than it had been in 1992 -- former NARAL Pro-Choice America head Kate Michelman was uninvited to a Kerry rally.

Still, Democrats lost the Catholic vote for the first time since 1988. Democratic strategist Donna Brazile said, "Even I have trouble explaining to my family that we are not about killing babies." So the Democrats are trying even harder. Democratic chairman Howard Dean has refused to call the party "pro-choice." Hillary Clinton has called abortion "a sad, tragic choice," and said the number of abortions should be reduced.

But these rhetorical feints can't gain Democrats much, especially when they're at odds with their opposition to any restrictions on abortion. "What's so tragic about abortion anyway?" Ponnuru asks. "Abortion is regrettable and needs to be minimized, for the same reason that abortion is wrong and unjust: because it kills an innocent human being. That is also the reason it should be prohibited."

Democrats, of course, will resist that logic strenuously. They might stomach Bob Casey Jr., but only because he is running against pro-life leader Sen. Rick Santorum, and a Casey victory could help deliver the Senate to pro-choice Democrats. This Casey is welcome, but only so long as he is useful to the uncompromising and ultimately untenable cause of abortion on demand.

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Lawmakers happy with session; Details need to be checked Court will examine omissions

The Texas Legislature, aided and abetted by a politically resuscitated Governor, were flushed with victory after completing their Education Finance "Reform" work on May 15 with the following results: (1) Provided school property taxpayers with the largest single tax reduction in history; (2) Paid for the mammoth tax cut (in part) by creating billions of new business-tax-dollars that encompass nearly all companies operating in Texas (as compared to the one in sixteen under the old franchise statutes); (3) Slapped a buck-a-pack on cigarettes and brought the sales tax on used cars in line with nationwide averages: and (4) gave teachers a \$2000 salary increase.

All this done under the heavy hammer of the State Supreme Court, that ordered Governor Rick Perry and the Legislature (last year) to put together a "reform" package that collects and distributes state education funds that meet "constitutional" requirements - or else!

The "or else" motivator given by Jurists was a June 1 time-limit, or face having the Courts close down the entire state school system. All that, **plus this being an election year**, was more than enough. The "reform" package passed both houses of the legislature a full 16 days before the deadline.

COUPLE OF "DIRTY" DETAILS

So now we have a brand new tax covering all Texas companies. We've hiked the cigarette tax and corrected the method of collecting used car sales taxes. These revenue sources, plus a sizeable chunk of the surplus (amount unknown) will lower school property tax rates from a max of \$1.50 down to \$1.00 over two years.

That's pretty good for a "no new tax" legislative majority!

However, as in all legislation - the devil is in the details. We checked out just two of those "details" that haven't been mentioned publicly - to see just how **devilishly hard** they'll be to handle (or explain) in the near term.

First - the teacher pay raise. It will actually be \$2500.00 - a two grand salary bump plus \$500 for health insurance. Big "detail" here is who will actually be paying for this needed increase?

In Salado - the school district will pick up 82 percent of the total! That's arrived at via a formulized funny-money drill done at TEA to determine how much the State pays, versus the local tax-dollar assignment.

Take the number of Salado's professional staffers who'll get the \$2500 (84 full time units); multiply by 82 percent (our "share") and you quickly discover how many more dollars we'll need, to meet the coming year's budget. Result: Salado will be coughing up \$2050 of each \$2500 paid, for a grand total of \$172,200 and that's just for the salary increase. That could spell a five cent local tax rate increase.

Also remember - the new statewide tax rate will drop to \$1.33 per hundred this year. Which prompts another local problem. Salado will need a five cent tax increase to pay for the salary hike, and the new law says schools can only raise taxes by four cents this year!

Hopefully these blows will be softened, provided increased construction and property appraisals in the district go up - which is expected.

BET YOU DIDN'T KNOW.....

Bet you didn't know that the new law permits "three" school tax rate increases over the next three years Off the Record
by Ken Clapp

(not just the one four cent hike that has been publicized). Four cents for the first two years and two cents the third year. After that, school district voters must agree (at the polls) to further increase their tax rates.

Just another detail that escaped attention during the session.

WILL SUPREME COURT OK REFORM PLAN?

Now the big question: "Have lawmakers done everything the Supreme Court mandated, to put financing the State's public school system back on the constitutional track?"

Capitol observers - who watch State school spending like hawks - say that the Governor and Legislature, by cutting property taxes, took that bugaboo "off the table." However, our "uneven-plodders" (aka lawmakers) may have forgotten the second part of last year's court decision, namely that school officials need, but do not have, "meaningful discretion" in managing their districts.

We sometimes call this "local control" but whatever the nomenclature - we find, scattered throughout the new legislation, numerous state mandates that transfer more and more local authority to state agency bureaucrats.

Examples: (a) Lawmakers set school date openings; (b) State placed new caps on spending and taxing; (c) More required teacher reports and other worthless paper shuffling; and (d) Courses added by the State to all school curriculums.

WILL NEW LAWS PASS "SMELL" TEST?

So....will the new statutes pass the high court's "smell" test, or will they agree that the state has done much to lower property taxes (thus obviating the illegal state property tax problem), but have not addressed the "local discretion" matter?

Our guess is the Courts will not be completely satisfied, but will allow schools to open this Fall, and give the Governor and Legislature time to curtail their insatiable demand for ever-more state control over public education.

That will send our elected pooh-bahs back to their drawing boards. Especially difficult after their (short lived) happy-day "victory lap" last week, thinking they had beat the court rap, while sneakily grabbing more State control of education.

STATE FUNDING REVERSED OVER THE YEARS

Texas once funded public schools on an 80-20 percentage basis (80-state, 20-local). Those halcyon years began under Gilmer-Aiken laws (circa 1949). Unfortunately over the past 57 years those numbers have been nearly reversed, thanks to the increased political stroke by the business community and conservative-leaning elected officials.

Today - state funds pay, on average, 30 percent of the operating costs for the entire Texas public school system. Local district property taxpayers "pony up" the remaining 70 percent.

As noted, the numbers jump to a whopping 82 percent for Salado ISD, and a miserly 18 percent from the State.

Amazing how Texas, with a declining dollar investment (percentagewise) in public education, has so much direct control over every school district - from the smallest (rural) to the largest (metro) districts.

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Help your kids become investors

To become a good saver and investor, you probably had to learn some hard lessons along the way. Wouldn't you like to save your children or grandchildren those troubles? You can - by teaching them, early on, about the basics and benefits of investing.

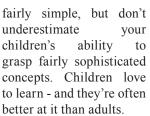
Here are a few ideas for getting young investors off to a good start:

- Suggest a savings strategy. If you give children young allowance, suggest that they divided it into two pools - "saving" and "spending." And if they earn money babysitting or mowing lawns, offer to match whatever they put in to a savings account. They will be pleased to see how their balance grows, and, hopefully, they will be motivated to keep putting more in.
- Make "stockpicking" fun. A lot of adults believe their children or grandchildren

Financial Focus

by Allen Mantanona

would not be interested in something as "grown-up" as the stock market. But that's just not true: Kids are often fascinated by the idea of owning shares of a company. And the more they understand about owning stocks, the more interested they become. So, consider playing a family "stock-picking" game. Have everyone in your family choose a stock to follow for a month or so. At the end of that time, award a small prize to the person whose stock has done the best. You also may want to add some "qualitative analysis" by examining the different factors that may have caused the winning stock to outperform the rest. Keep all explanations



• **Give stocks.** If you want to invest the money, you can go beyond the stock-picking game and actually give shares of stock to your kids. Try to find companies that make products with which your children are familiar - provided, of course, that the stocks are of high quality and have good prospects. When you do give stocks to your kids, be aware of the "kiddie tax." According to the kiddie tax rules for 2006, the first \$850 in unearned income - interest, dividends and capital gains - is taxfree, and the next \$850 is taxed at the child's tax rate, which is typically 10 percent, or 5 percent for long-term capital gains. If your child has unearned income of more than \$1,700, he or she will be taxed at the rate that would apply to you if this money were added to your taxable income. Children 14 and over pay taxes on all unearned income at their own rate.

• Show the right behavior. Children are great imitators - so, if you show them how you are saving and investing for the future, it's likely to leave a strong impression. Let them know when you've reached a particular savings/investment goal - enough money for a new car, for example. Show them the statements for the accounts in which you are investing for their college education. However you do it, make sure they understand the concepts of setting objectives, making regular contributions, delaying gratification, etc.

By following the above steps, you'll be providing your children or grandchildren with the knowledge and skills necessary to help them become savers and investors. And those lessons can last a lifetime.

Lower your expenses

Buying and Selling

By Ryan Hodge

There's no denying that the higher cost of fuel has widespread effects on us all. More people than ever are now looking at ways to improve the overall energy efficiency of their homes, and parts of the energy bill recently passed by Congress give some incentives.

Tax breaks were approved for energy-efficient dwellings, improvements, and for electric and hybrid automobiles. You could apply for a 10% tax break (\$500 maximum) on improvements like caulking leaks and installing electronically sophisticated thermostats.

A maximum credit of \$200 would be allowed for replacement windows, and you could apply for a credit on the purchase of appliances specifically rated as energy-efficient. If you're committed to a big-time solar power upgrade, you could qualify for a 30% tax credit (up to \$2,000). The only caveat: you can't use the solar power for heating your swimming pool! (Guess they think that is too extreme!)

Aside from the tax savings, you could save a bundle on your home's "operating expenses." A few hundred dollars invested in an energy audit of your home will show you where and how to reduce your utility bills. Keep good records of any improvements you make, and ask your accountant next year about how (and if) you can apply for tax credits. You should see an improvement in the resale value of your home as well!



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Summer vacation

Dollars & Sense

by David Uffington

You've worked hard all year, and now it's time for a nice relaxing break.

To get the best bang for your vacation dollar, here are some tips, provided by the National Foundation for Credit Counseling.

- Create a vacation budget. Decide how much money you can afford to spend on a summer vacation for travel, lodging, amusement, etc. This includes existing money plus any money you can save before your vacation.
- Get input from the entire family. Now that you know how much money you can afford to spend, decide on the best way to use it. Ask family members where they want to go and what they want to do when they arrive. Consider visiting nearby tourist attractions or even vacationing at home if you have a limited budget.
- Research your vacation options. Use the Internet to get information on sightseeing, tourist attractions and discount travel and lodging. Read the latest travel guides. Get advice from friends

and relatives. Watch for discount coupon books sometimes issued by visitor and tourism associations.

- Plan your vacation activities thoroughly. Hit the ground running when you arrive. Smart vacationers plan out their stops and activities well in advance. They know where they are going and how much it will cost. Unplanned stops can be the death of a vacation budget.
- · Have a credit plan. Credit cards can come in handy on the road. They're safer than cash because they can be replaced if lost. That's the good news. The bad news is that it is easy to overspend with credit cards. If you are going to use them, be sure to record your charges in a ledger and to limit your charges to budgeted expenses. When you get home, pay off your charges in full as quickly as possible. Remember, these charges amount to a short-term loan.

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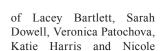
Golf season in full swing

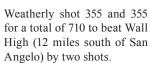
Hello golfers, welcome to golf season. Hopefully you have been paying attention, the Salado boys and girls went to State on May 8 and 9

Both teams came into the event with legitimate chances to win and the results were excellent. The Salado girls won the State 2A Championship. The team, comprised

Clubhouse Commentary

By Bill Harris





It was rather exciting, Salado entered the second round with an eight shot lead, and Wall closed the gap with a 349 second-day total to Salado's second 355. Wall's charge proved to be two shots short; when the final totals were posted there were hugs and lots of cheers and tears from the Lady Eagles and all of their supporters.

Sarah Dowell came up big, with two great rounds to lead the Salado girls. In the process of getting to the State Championship the girls had several players lead. Katie Harris (my daughter) won the District Championship, Veronica Patochova was second and Regional and Lacey Bartlett never had a score over 90. But Salado's real strength all throug the year was the fact that they had five players they could count on.

I believe the glue that kep these girls headed in the right direction was the fifth player, Nicole Weatherly. I



don't believe they took her score at any event (best four out of five are used), but she provided leadership all year.

The boys had a fourth place finish, a handful of shots behind. The boys did not play very well the first day and put themselves in a situation that required a big comeback. They made a big effort but fell a few short. Salado had, I believe, one of the best 2A players in senior Wes Dowell, but the two days at Jimmy Clay were not his best. Underclassman Ryan O'Rear played very well and should show up among the best in 2A very soon.

Both teams will lose some senior leadership, but will keep a couple of solid players for next year.

We have just finished the Masters and golf season is in full swing. The big changes at Augusta did not seem to creat any significant issues for the field. The changes just seem to pressure the shorter hitter more; they were hitting longer clubs and having a harder time stopping the ball on those fast greens.

A shorter hitter, Tom Clark, finished in a tie for second, and admitted that he putted exceptionally well. Make no mistake, no one on the PGA Tour is a truly short hitter - the average length is over 280 yards. Even the women on tour are averaging over 250 yards.

Equipment is so good now. Remember I said the USGA would reel in the ball soon! My hat is off to Phil Mickelson. I am not a great fan of his but he has learned how to win the big events. Put the ball in the fairway, make the short putts, no silly mistakes; maybe now Tiger has a real rival.

The LPGA's first major was significant for a couple of things. First, that Annika did not win, and second, Karrie Webb did win, with a great shot holed for an eagle on her last hole. Maybe she can get a little momentum going. She has been struggling for a couple of years. Lorena Ochoa lost the event with a poor last round. She won the next week but can't get it done in the majors yet.

I recently went to the Arizona Senior Open, played poorly and deservedly missed the cut. I am going to try a new US Pro Golf Tour this year, lots of money but not very well organized yet.

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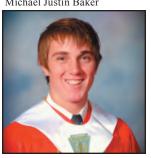




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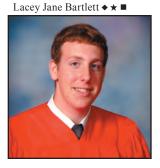
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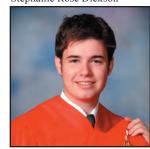


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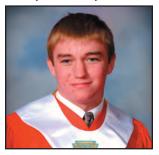
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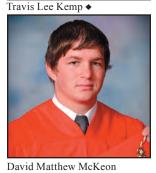
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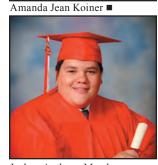


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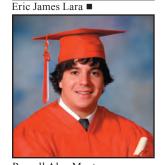








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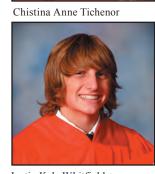
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Top Ten Graduates



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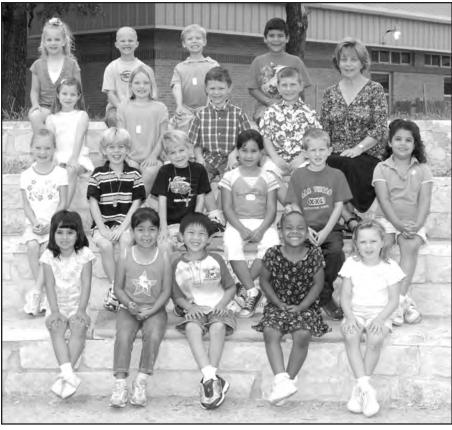
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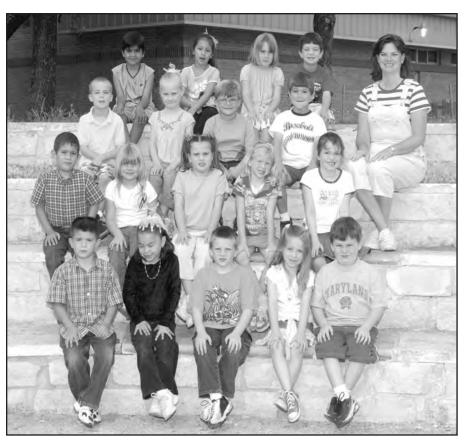
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Mrs. Price's Kindergarten Class

Top Row: Gabriel Perez, Martiza Villafranco, Ashley Churchwell, Jake Walrath. Third Row: Jim Reeder, Macy Thrasher, Luke Arner, Cade DePoy, Mrs. Price. Second Row: Sydney Blisard, Miranda Ingleston, Stevie Malensky, Emily Lewallen, Katie McFarland. First Row: Andrew Rodriguez, Caroline Soto, Joe Sodergren, Sammi Peters, Coleman Cunnigham.

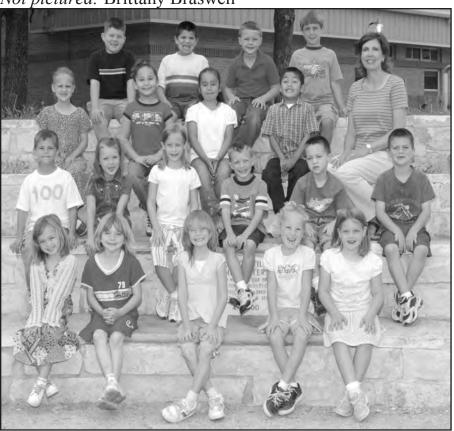
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Mrs. Kyle's Kindergarten Class

Top Row: Tyler Edmonson, Jared Langford, Ryan Kyburz, Johnny Smith, Shawn Crenshaw. *Third Row:* Drew Dobbins, Kate Kyburz, Kaylie Hambright, Garett Chick, Mrs. Kyle. Second Row: Cyrus Cyphers, Elisa Lara, Mikaela Heiner, Logan Mulholland, Owen Merriman. First Row: Jack Spradlin, Morgan Burcham, Kristopher Powell, Rebecca Dockray, Michelle Melendez, Sonja Crenshaw.

Not pictured: Brittany Braswell



Mrs. Smith's Kindergarten Class

Top Row: Walker Stephens, Osvaldo Zabaleto, Zachery Adams, Tyler Barrett. Third Row: Erin McBryde, Samantha Stanley, Imelda Morales, Luis Soto, Mrs. Smith. Second Row: Kyle Volk, Page Fritz, Danielle McDaniel, Ryan Oakes, Cortney Howerton, Tannor Fischer. First Row: Alyeska Rushworth, Nokomis Clinard, Abbie Schaefer, Maddy Fontz, Kylie Croftcheck.

Eagles ousted from playoffs

advanced to the third round of the State baseball playoffs for the first time since 2002, but there they found waiting the number three ranked East Bernard Brahmas.

In a best two of three series held May 19 and 20 in Flatonia, Salado was bounced in two straight, by finals of 14-11 and 5-1.

The two games were almost complete opposites. The series opener was a slugfest with sloppy defense, while game two fashioned itself into a pitcher's duel marked by great defensive plays.

Things looked good for Salado in game one, as the Eagles jumped out to a 6-0 lead through two and a half innings. Johnny Nix, Seth Collins and Jesse Rodriguez all collected RBI's in the early innings.

The Salado defense allowed East Bernard to get back into the game in the bottom of the third. Three East Bernard hits coupled with four Eagle errors allowed five runs to score, only one of which was earned.

Salado, however, roared right back with four runs in the fourth. Seth Hale started things by reaching on an er-Kevin Jackson then walked and Josh Shaw singled to load the bases. Justin Schiller then delivered a grand slam homerun over the centerfield fence, giving the Eagles a 10-5 lead.

The Brahma's had gotten the breaks they needed in the third, and in the fourth and fifth innings, their offense broke loose. East Bernard pushed across four in the fourth and another five in the fifth to retake the lead.

Wesley Rugh drove in Seth Collins for the final Salado run in the seventh inning, bringing the score to its 14-11 final.

The Eagles collected 13 hits in the game. Collins was 3-3, while Shiller, Rodriguez and Nix collected two hits each.

Kevin Jackson got the start and pitched fourplus innings, allowing eight hits and striking out four. Nix was saddled with the loss, coming in with the score tied in the fifth. Justin Pruitt finished the game

The Salado Eagles by tossing a perfect sixth the fifth and stranding inning.

> On May 20 the Brahmas jumped out to an early lead and simply wouldn't allow the Eagles to get into the game. Brian Bates, starting the game for Salado, allowed a walk, a single and a homerun to give East Bernard a quick 3-0 lead.

> Bates then settled down and regained his composure, striking out the next three batters in order.

> Salado did mount a few threats in the game, loading the bases in the second, scoring a run in

runners in scoring position in the seventh.

No Eagle collected more than one hit in the game and Tanner Myers was credited with Salado's lone RBI.

Bates received his first loss of the season, falling to 9-1. He pitched five innings, allowing five hits and striking out five. Justing Pruitt worked two scoreless innings in the sixth and seventh.

Salado closed out its season with a 24-9 overall record. The 24 victories is the second most for a Salado team in the past 20 years.

The Eagles will graduate seven seniors from this year's squad: Rudy

Torres, Tucker Wilhite, Seth Hale, Brian Bates, Wes Ruth, Jesse Rodriguez and Josh Shaw.

Returning next year will be six full or parttime starters.

-- REPORTED BY MELVIN BATES

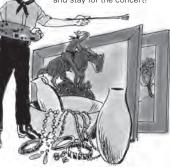


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The Young Salado Eagles recently competed in Cedar Park at the Cedar Chopper Rumble Tournament, and came away with a second place finish after losing to the San Marcos Heat sixth grade team. Eagle team members are, from left: Cooper Cox. Colton Meiman, Jada Kornegay, Koby Spears, Kase Spears and Kyle Bradley.



Pictured above is the Varsity boys doubles tennis team of Justin Whitfield and Josh Shaw. The boys won second in district and advanced to the regional round, where they were defeated by a team from Brazos by a final of 3-6, 6-3, 7-6. In JV district tennis action, Kaleigh Rank won consolation, while InHey Robison took first in girls singles and Matt Arrant finished third in boys singles.

Reunion coming June 10

The annual Salado Reunion will be held June 10 at the Salado Intermediate School Cafeteria. Registration will begin at 9: 30 a.m. with the reunion continuing until 3:30 p.m. The reunion provides an opportunity for former

students, teachers, families and friends to enjoy a day together. Any residents or former residents of Salado are encouraged to attend.

Lunch will be catered by Johnny's Steakhouse of Salado and will offer grilled chicken, sirloin tips,

vegetables and dessert. The lunch will be served at noon, immediately following a short business meeting. There will be ample visiting time both before the meeting, and during and following the

luncheon. Special recognition will be given to classes celebrating special anniversaries of their graduations (such as 25th, 50th, Special recognition will also be given to the individual who is the oldest in attendance, the oldest graduate in attendance, the youngest person in attendance and the person who traveled the farthest to attend.

This year's reunion marks the 80the anniversary of a 1926 gathering held at the Big Spring area of Salado Creek as a welcome home party for John Shanklin and his wife, Felda Davis Shanklin, as they returned from a stay of several years in Mexico.

Their return was celebrated with a picnic along the creek. It proved to be such an enjoyable gathering that they made plans to meet again the following year. This event is the most probable origin of the present Salado Reunion tradition.

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years. She played flute in the Salado band, sixth through 10th grade. Her sophomore year, she was both Drum Major and band historian. She was part of the PALS program at the high school during her sophomore year, as well. She was a member of the Fellowship of Christian Students her freshman year and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes her senior year. She is a member of River City Fellowship and helps lead worship by playing guitar at Grace Baptist Church on Wednesday nights.

Singleton has been on several mission trips, including one to Portland, OR and one to Nuevo Laredo, Mexico. This summer, she will take a trip to Austria and Slovenia.

She is the recipient of several scholarships, including a Presidential Scholarship, a scholarship from the Veterans of Foreign Wars (\$300), and the City Federation of Women's Clubs (\$1.500).

Singleton has attended Salado schools since the fifth grade. This fall, she will be attending Texas

Tech University, with the intention of majoring in civil engineering. Ultimately, she would like to work in Africa and countries with similar needs as a civil engineering missionary.

Kirsten is the daughter of Koni Bailey, of Salado, and Terry Singleton, of Graford.

Kathryn Holdampf

Kathryn Diane Holdampf is the Salutatorian of Salado High School's graduating class of 2006 She will graduate with a 102.67 GPA, second in a class of 99 students.

Holdampf has been a participant in UIL Academics and Athletics all four years of high school. In the spring of 2005 she placed third in District, first in Region, and third in State UIL Headline Writing. This spring she competed in UIL Number Sense, placing fourth at District and second at Regionals individually.

Holdampf has also been equally successful in sports. She was on the Varsity volleyball team for both her junior and senior years. She received Aca-

demic All-District both years, Honorable Mention in 2005, the Eagle Pride Award in 2005, and was named a Captain her senior year. She also ran on the Girls Varsity Cross Country team her senior year, where they ended up placing 10th at the state level. She received both Academic All-State honors and the Eagle Pride Award for cross country. She participated in track every year.

Furthermore, Holdampf has been a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes for four years and a member of the National Honor Society for three years. Her senior year she was named Vice President of the National Honor Society and was voted Best Role Model for

A member of the First Baptist Church of Salado, Holdampf is a Junior High Huddles leader, teaching young girls and boys in a weekly Bible study class. SHe has also been part of the FBC Youth Choior for four years, being named to the Leadership team every

For the past three summers, Holdampf has gone on mission trips to Washington, D.C. and New Orleans with the choir, helping out with Backyard Bible Clubs and doing community service around the cities. This summer Holdampf will be going back to New Orleans and plans to be a counselor for the children's church camp. She was also a referee for the Salado Youth Soccer Association.

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In addition, she received the Pre-Calculus and Speech awards last year and has been named to the Honor Roll throughout high school.

Holdampf has attended school in Salado since the seventh grade. In the fall, she will attend Texas Tech University where she will major in Civil Engineering and may later pursue minors in Engineering Physics and Religious Studies.

Kathryn is the daughter of Karin and Barry Holdampf, of Salado. Her grandparents are Wald and Sue McAlexander, of Salado; Barbara McClurg, of Wimberlev and Frank Holdampf, Jr., of Midland. Her great-grandfather is Emon Grant, of Salado, formerly of Post.

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The bride is the daughter of Roselle and Larry Linder, of Salado, and Jeff Kubin, of Caldwell. The groom is the son of Peggy Martin, of Belton, and Dell and Anna Martin, of Temple.

Given in marriage by her father, the brode wore a couture bridal gown of white satin designed by Lazaro. The rouged beaded bodice was enhanced with a sweetheart neckline. The full a-line skirt dropped gracefully to a chapel length train. To complement her gown, the bride wore a two-tier fingertip illusion veil.

Maid of Honor was Sara Kathryn Kubin, sister of the bride, of College Station. Bridesmaids were Marissa Samu, of Belton, Courtney Wendel-Dibrell, of San Antonio, Morgan



Mrs. Elizabeth Anne Martin

Wiese, of Salado, and Whittney Wise, of Los Angeles, CA. Flower girls were Rosemary Fazzino, of Bryan, KatherineMarie Fazzino, of Bryan, Macallister Wilson, of Austin, and Madison Wilson, of Austin.

Pagers were Will Fazzino, of Calvert, AnnaMarie Fazzino, of Calvert, MaryFrances Fazzino, of Bryan, Victoria Dibrell, of San Antonio, and Texanna Martin, of Temple.

Best Man was Kenny Martin, brother of the of Temple. groom, Groomsmen were Kyle Austin, of Fort Worth, Josh Guerra, of Houston, and Matt Speaks, of Lubbock.

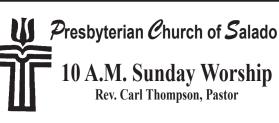
Ushers were Brian Linder, of College Station, Brian Thurston, of Dallas, Jeff Washburn, of Temple, and Porter Wilson, of Austin.

A dinner reception and dance followed the ceremony at Tenroc Ranch in Salado.

The bride will graduate from Baylor University in Aug. 2006. The groom is a 2005 graduate of Baylor University and is Vice President of Proventures, in Temple.

After a wedding trip to Jamaica, the couple will reside in Temple.





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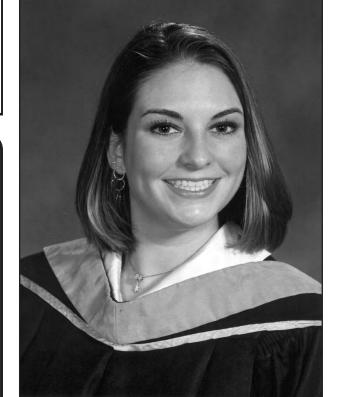
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Elizabeth Andrea Dachs received a Bachelor of Science in Economics and Bachelor of Arts in Cinema Television from Southern Methodist University on May 20. She will pursue a Masters degree at Southern Methodist University.

Elizabeth, a 2002 graduate of Salado High School is the daughter of Greg and Carolyn Dachs of Salado.

Saladoans among Temple College grads

More than 500 candidates for graduation were honored May 12 at the 80th anniversary Temple College commencement program, at the Frank and Sue Mayborn Campus Center on the UMHB campus in Belton.

TC graduates receive the associate of arts degree, associate of applied science degree or certificate of completion of a prescribed college program. The spring graduation ceremony recognized the Spring 2006 class as well as Summer and Fall graduates.

> Wallingsford, Mary

McLane speaks to Rotary Club **May 30**



Drayton McLane. owner of the Houston Astros, will speak to the Salado Rotary Club May 30. McLane is a graduate of Baylor and has expanded a small family business into a \$19 billion enterprise. In addition to the Astros and McLane Enterprises, he is a leader in the Temple community in several civic and national organizations, including the Board of Trustees of Scott and White Hospital.

The Salado Rotary Club meets at the Stagecoach Inn every Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. The public is invited to the May 30 Rotary lunch.

of Salado, was among the honor graduates. Stacy Hodge and Janelle Holtzclaw, both of Salado, received associate degrees in nursing.

Kevin Reichert, of Salado, was also among graduates, while Kevin Jackson, of Salado, received a certificate of completion.

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Greene Literary Festival June 9-10

The Judy & A. C. Greene Literary Festival will be presented June 9-10 by the Living Room Theatre of Salado, concluding its 10th year.

Steve Harrigan is this year's guest presenter whose recent blockbuster, Challenger Park, gleaned raves in last month's New York Times Book Review, "...probably the best science-factual novel about the space-faring worlds of Houston and Cape Canaveral in the nearly half-century since the first astronauts were chosen...."

(Sunday, April 9, 06).

Harrigan's national best-seller, The Gates of the Alamo, was hailed as "the first great American novel of the 21st Century" (Fort Worth Star-Telegram), as fine a historical novel as any within recent memory" (Kirkus), and a "genuinely moving epic" (Newsweek).

Last October, the Dallas Morning News called Harrigan one of "the seven most important figures in Lone Star Letters."

Harrigan speaks following performances by members of the Living Room Theatre of scenes from the book at the Salado Civic Center at 7 p.m. on June 9 only with a reception and book signing following the presentation

Another performance slated for 7 p.m. June 10 features the work of Pat Merrill, Patsy Sanford, Chester Critchfield and others whose subject is Salado Creek: Pat's Legacy: The Sa-lah-oh. The play by Ramon Carver is an amusing and anecdotal tribute to the Village

Creek, scheduled for one performance only at the new Thomas Arnold Center (across from Salado's elementary school). The annual Greene Literary event closes that same evening with a party for all persons attending the Festival.

Reservations are available beginning June 1 by calling 254-947-8300. Admission to both performances as well as the June 9 reception and the June 10 party, are \$20.



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Section B

Salado Village Voice

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Show dates July 22, 29 and August 6

14th season of Legends announced

will begin its 14th July 22, season with subsequent performances July 29 and Aug. 5 at Tablerock's Goodnight Amphitheater is located on Royal Street in Salado, Texas.

History, legend and memories are brought to the stage in the epic musical-drama, Salado Legends, written by playwright Salado Jackie Mills directed by Donnie Williams. One of the original songs, "Be Careful What You Wish For," weaves the legends of the Tonkawa Indians, the dreams of the Spanish explorers and the hopes of the Scottish settlers into a panoramic tale. Salado Legends is the only outdoor musical-drama in Texas chosen by the Library of Congress to serve as a record of life in America at the end of the 19th century.

Actors, crew, composers, sponsors and helpers number over 200. They range in ages from three to 91 years-old and live all over Central Texas. Chris Ray, from Austin, will play the lead role of Andrew McIver. Sanderford, from Belton, will play the lead role of Lucy McDougal. Lushi Mobley, from Belton,



Salado Legends dramatically recreates the history of Salado. Over 200 cast and crew take part in the annual production.

plays Sadie Lou Chalk; Benson Chris from Belton will play Cam McDougal. Jim Woodaul from Killeen will portray McDougal, Angus Geneva Bamsch will appear in the role of Dora McDougal. Tony Blisard will play Malcom Ross and George Mobley from Belton is playing McDougal. Douglas Rebecca Petro, Salado, is show tickets are \$5. the Children's Director, Ciara Bamsch will portray purchased Emmaline Howard Horton, who lives in Bartlett and is First State Bank and a Professor at UMHB, will appear for the eighth season as Sam Houston. Hillary Mighell from Copperas Cove

portray "Texas." Amanda White from Temple will play Bonnie Belle Posey. Jon McHaney from Salado will play Tonweya for his fourth season. Veteran actor Dale Allen from Waco will play the Chief.

Dinner reservations for the catered meal are required: \$8 for adult or child. Adult show tickets are \$15. Child (4-12)

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Tablerock to host open auditions for Macbeth

Tablerock Festival of Salado has announced that open auditions for William Shakespeare's *Macbeth* will be held 3 p.m. June 24 and 25 in Tablerock's backstage room.

There are approximately 20 roles to be filled, and all parts are to be cast based on these auditions. Come with a prepared Shakespearean monologue of at least 15 lines, and be ready to do cold readings from the play.

Macbeth will performed on the main stage at the Goodnight Amphitheater October 7, 14 and 2. All performances will take place at 7:30 p.m., with ticket prices of \$10 for adults and \$5 for military, students, and children.

The fourth annual Fall Shakespeare Festival will be directed by David Dunlap, of Salado.

additional For

information on auditions, rehearsal schedules, or performances, Dunlap by phone at 254-247-0220 or by email at ddunlap@tablerock.org.

More information is also available by logging on to www.tablerock.org.



Have a Salado event to list on this calendar? Email your information to: news@saladovillagevoice.com, call 254-947-5321, or fax to 254-947-9479.





What's happening

May 25

Salado High School Class of 2005-06 graduation ceremony, 7 p.m. at UMHB Mayborn Campus Center Info: Salado High School, 254-947-5429. May 25

Salado Area Republican Women dinner meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Mill Creek Country Club. Speaker: Michael Sul-

livan, vice president of the Texas Public Policy Foundation. Info and reservations: Marie Martch, 254-939-8240. May 28

Reception honoring Thomas Arnold Elementary teacher Sherry Jackson, who is retiring after 25 years of teaching, 2-4 p.m. at the Halley House. Info: 512-2516547. **May 29**

Annual Memorial
Day Service, 9:30 a.m.
at the Salado Cemetery.
Public invited; bring
lawn chair.
JUNE 2-4

Salado Silver Spur Theater presents "Holy Matrimony," with live music and vaudeville-style entertainment. Showtimes: 7:30 p.m. June 2-3 and 2 p.m. June 3-4. Info: 254-947-3456 or www.saladosilverspur. com.

JUNE 3

Texas Manx Club
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buggy and Volkswagen Show at the Salado
Civic Center. Registration begins at 9 a.m.
Drawings for prizes
will be held, and proceeds will be donated
to the Texas Scottish
Rite Hospital for Children in Dallas. Info:
www.texasmanxclub.

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JUNE 4

The Wilmer Memorial Lecture will be held on 3-5 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center. The Institute for the Humanities invites you to a free, public lecture honoring the memory of Hank and Harry Wilmer. Busiinesswoman and philanthropist, Marilyn Tam will speak on "Life, Love and Legacies." The lecture will be followed by a 25th anniversary reception celebrating the Institute's twentyfive years of existence. For more information please contact the Institute office at 947-5729 or ifh@vvm.com. JUNE 5

Monday Club meeting, 2 p.m. at the Salado United Methodist Church. Program: Sharon McGlasson giving a demonstration of her artwork. All ladies invited to attend. JUNE 5

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

JUNE 5-8

Football Camp for incoming third through ninth graders, at the high school field. Cost: \$40. Registration and info: Coach Jeff Cheatham, 254-947-6977 or email jlcheatha m@saladoisd.org. JUNE 5-8

Tennis Camp for Salado youth at the Stagecoach Courts. Cost: \$45. Led by Salado tennis coach Melissa Hyer. Registration and info: 947-6900 ext. 2075 or email mhyer@saladoisd.org.

JUNE 7

Wednesdays in the Park, sponsored by Salado ISD and the Chamber of Commerce, 10-11 a.m. in Pace Park. Theme: "It's a Bug's Life." Free and open to children ages threeto-12. No reservations required.

JUNE 8

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

2006 Judy and A.C. Greene Literary Festival, featuring Steven Harrigan, author of the bestseller "Challenger Park," 7 p.m. each evening. Also featuring Salado performers in "A Legacy: the Sa-la-oh." More details TBA. JUNE 9-11

Salado Silver Spur Theater presents "Holy Matrimony," with live music and vaudeville-style entertainment. Showtimes: 7:30 p.m. June 9-10 and 2 p.m. June 10-11. Info: 254-947-3456 or www.saladosilverspur. com. 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 10

Salado High School Class of 1966 40th Reunion, 6-10 p.m. at the Stagecoach Inn Club, located on the second floor of the Statecoach Inn Restuarant. For more information: 254-947-5196. JUNE 12-JULY 30

Strength and Conditioning Camp for incoming ninth-12th graders. Camp will be held Mon.-Thurs. at the high school track and weight room. Cost: \$60. Registration and info: 254-947-6977 or email jlcheatha m@saladoisd.org.

JUNE 14

Wednesdays in the Park, sponsored by Salado ISD and the Chamber of Commerce, 10-11 a.m. in Pace Park. Theme: "Flag Day." Free and open to children ages three-to-12. No reservations required. June 16-18

Salado Silver Spur Theater presents "Holy Matrimony," with live music and vaudeville-style entertainment. Showtimes: 7:30 p.m. June 16-17 and 2 p.m. June 17-18. Info: 254-947-3456 or www.saladosilverspur. com. JUNE 21

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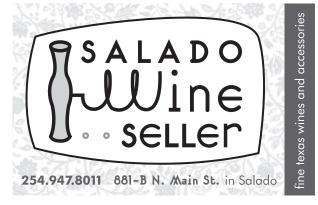
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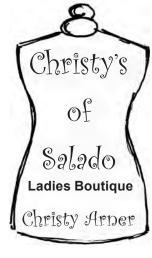
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JUNE 24-25

Auditions for Tablerock's production of Macbeth, 3 p.m. both days at Tablerock. Director: David Dunlap, 254-247-0220 or ddunlap@. tablerock.org. **JUNE** 28

Wednesdays in the Park, sponsored by Salado ISD and the Chamber of Commerce, 10-11 a.m. in Pace Park. Theme: "The Summer Olympics." Free and open to children ages threeto-12. No reservations required.

June 30-July 2 Salado Silver Spur Theater presents "Stars

and Spurs Forever," with live music and vaudeville-style entertainment. Showtimes: 7:30 p.m. June 30-July 1 and 2 p.m. July 1-2. Info: 254-947-3456 or www.saladosilverspur. com.

Salado Historical **Society Annual Picnic**, 6: 30 p.m. in Pace Park. **JULY 7-9**

Salado Silver Spur **Theater presents "Stars** and Spurs Forever," with live music and vaudeville-style entertainment. Showtimes: 7:30 p.m. July7-8 and 2 p.m. July 8-9. Info: 254-947-3456 or www.saladosilverspur. com.

JULY 11-14 Bovs Basketball

Camp, for incoming third-through-ninth graders, at the SIS gym. Cost: \$45. Registration and info: Grady Newton, 947-6900 ext. 1305 or email gnewton@saladoisd.org.

JULY 13 Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 9:30 a.m. at the Civic Center. Program: Ruth Daw, "Women of Peru." **JULY 14-16**

Salado Silver Spur Theater presents "Stars and Spurs Forever," with live music and vaudeville-style entertainment. Showtimes: 7:30 p.m. July14-15 and 2 p.m. July 15-16. Info: 254-947-3456 or www.saladosilverspur. com.

JULY 19

Mill Creek Community Association meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Inn on the Creek. **JULY 21-13**

Salado Silver Spur **Theater presents "Stars** and Spurs Forever," with live music and vaudeville-style entertainment. Showtimes: 7:30 p.m. July21-22 and 2 p.m. July 22-23. Info: 254-947-3456 or www.saladosilverspur. com.

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 www.tablerock.org.

July 24-28

Girls Basketball Camp, for incoming third-through-ninth graders, at the SIS gym. Cost: \$50. Registration and info: Coach Scott Copeland, 947-6900 ext. 1305 or email scopeland@saladoisd.org. **July 26-28**

Salado Village Artists Painting Workshop, with Garnet Bluster, of New Braunfels. Workshop will focus on still life and rural architecture in water color and gouash. Price: \$170. Info: email phaira1@vvm.com JULY 31-AUGUST 2

Volleyball camp for incoming sevenththrough-ninth graders, in the SIS gym. Cost: \$30. Registration and info: Coach Bree Holz, 947-6900 ext. 1304 or email bree.holz@saladoisd.org. August 5-6

40th Annual Salado Art Fair in Pace Park. Show Times: Saturday, 9 a.m.-5p.m., Sunday 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Admission: \$5 for adults, children 12 and under are free. Info: Salado Chamber of Commerce, 254-947-5040.

August 10

Salado Chamber of **Commerce Ladies Aux**iliary 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.

SEPTEMBER 20-22 Salado Village Artists Painting Workshop, with D.K. Nichols, of Rockdale. Workshop will focus on abstract color and design; student will have choice of medium. Price: \$155. Info: email phairal@vvm.com.

OCTOBER 7-8 **Audtions for** Tablerock's annual A Christmas Carol pro**duction**, 3 p.m. both days. Info: 254-947-9205 or email harrycsweet@sbcgl obal.net.

OCTOBER 7. 14 AND 21 Tablerock's Annual Shakespeare Play, Macbeth, under the



stars, 7:30 p.m. each night. Tickets: \$10 for adults, \$5 for child. student or military. Info: 254-247-0220 or email ddunlap@tablerock.org. **O**CTOBER **12-14**

Annual Christmas in October event, sponsored by the Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary. Details TBA. October 18

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

Salado Area Republican Women Fine China Luncheon, noon at Stagecoach Inn Longhorn Room. Info: 254-947-3617.

OCTOBER **21**

Annual Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament, 8 a.m. start at Mill Creek. Info: Salado Chamber, 254-947-5040. October 21

Salado Education Foundation Cattlemen's Ball at Tenroc Ranch. For tickets or more information call 254-.947-1958. **O**CTOBER 28-29

Tablerock's Fright **Trail** 7:30-10:30 p.m. both nights. Two trails to choose from. Concessions available. Admission: \$5 for adults, \$3 for children 12 and under. Info: 254-947-9205 or email tablerock1@aol.com.

November 15

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

Salado Historical Society annual General Meeting and Chili Supper, 6:15 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center. DECEMBER 1, 2, 8 AND 9

Tablerock Amphithe-

ater's Annual presentation of Charles Dickens' Yuletide classic, A Christmas Carol, 7 p.m. each night. Tickets available at the gate beginning 6:30 p.m. Concessions open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets: \$5 for adults, \$3 for children. Info: 254-947-9205 or www.tablerock.org.

DECEMBER 1-3

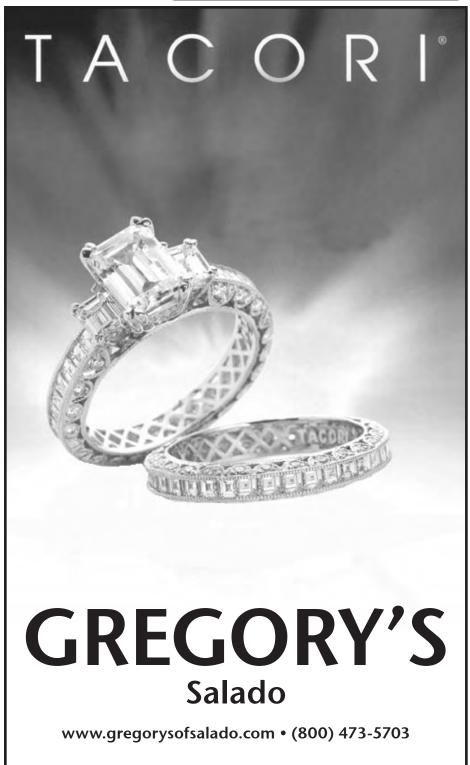
Salado Historical Society's Annual Christmas Tour of Homes. More details TBA DECEMBER 1-3 & 8-10

Annual Salado Christmas Stroll event. More details TBA. DECEMBER 7-9

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Mill Creek Community Association meeting and Christmas Dinner at Mill Creek Restaurant. 6 p.m. happy hour, 7 p.m.









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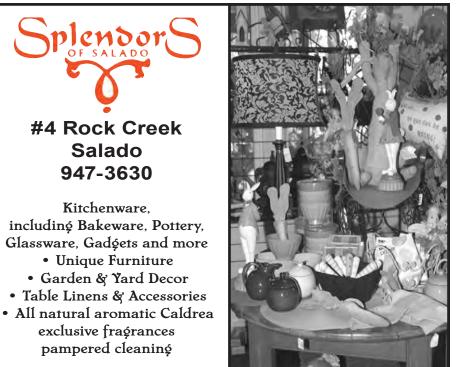
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Proper exercise in the home

my clients that are trying to achieve results from working out is the issue of time. There just never seems to be enough of it. One of my major goals for all clients is to achieve a program that is conducive to their time availability.

The easiest way to meet this challenge is to develop exercise programs that can be accomplished at home or the workplace that can be achieved in as little room as possible. Let's take a look at what basic or bare-bones equipment will be needed to create a workout that can be accomplished in around 20 minutes.

Your Body - Yes, you are correct, you could say the human body isn't a piece of equipment per se, but honestly, your own body gives you an amazing number of potential exercises with no



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equipment at all. Here is a short list of exercises that can be done with just your own Body-Weight:

- The Body-Weight Squat
 - The Push-Up
 - The Hover
 - The Hand Walk
- •The Inverted Hamstring Walk

Cost: None.

using Exercise Tubing gravity because and momentum, two variables that can lead to injury, do not come into play. There are varying levels of resistance depending on the size and strength of the band. To increase the number and quality exercises purchase exercise tubing that has a

door attachment. Here is a short list of exercises that can be done with Exercise Tubing:

- The Row
- The Lat-Fly
- The Triceps Press-
- Down
- The Biceps Curl
- The Lateral Raise Cost: Under \$10.

The "Fit" or "Exercise" Exercise Tubing - I like Ball - Fit or Exercise Balls are incredibly versatile fitness tools. They can be used to work on balance, resistance, flexibility and strength training. Make sure you purchase a ball that is high quality and is the correct size for your height. A good quality ball will be puncture proof and can handle a good amount of weight. Here is a short list of exercises that can be done with a Fit or Exercise Ball:

- The Abdominal Crunch
- The Dumbbell Chest Press
 - The Supine Roll
 - The Leg Curl
- The Bear on the Ball Cost: Dependent on quality and size-\$20 to

Depending upon your situation, you may want to purchase a small mat (under \$20) to use on your

With just your Body, Exercise Tubing, and Fit Ball, you have enough components to keep your exercise program fresh. The final piece to this home gym would be a set of Power Blocks (highly dumbbells). efficient These range from weights of 3-21 pounds, to 5-105 pounds. Power Blocks cost over a \$100, but they make your workout so versatile that you will never be in need of another dumb bell again, plus they save you space.

So, if you are struggling with the "time factor," here is your list of "equipment" to get you started on the road to an improved wellbeing.

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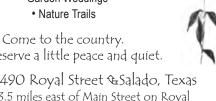
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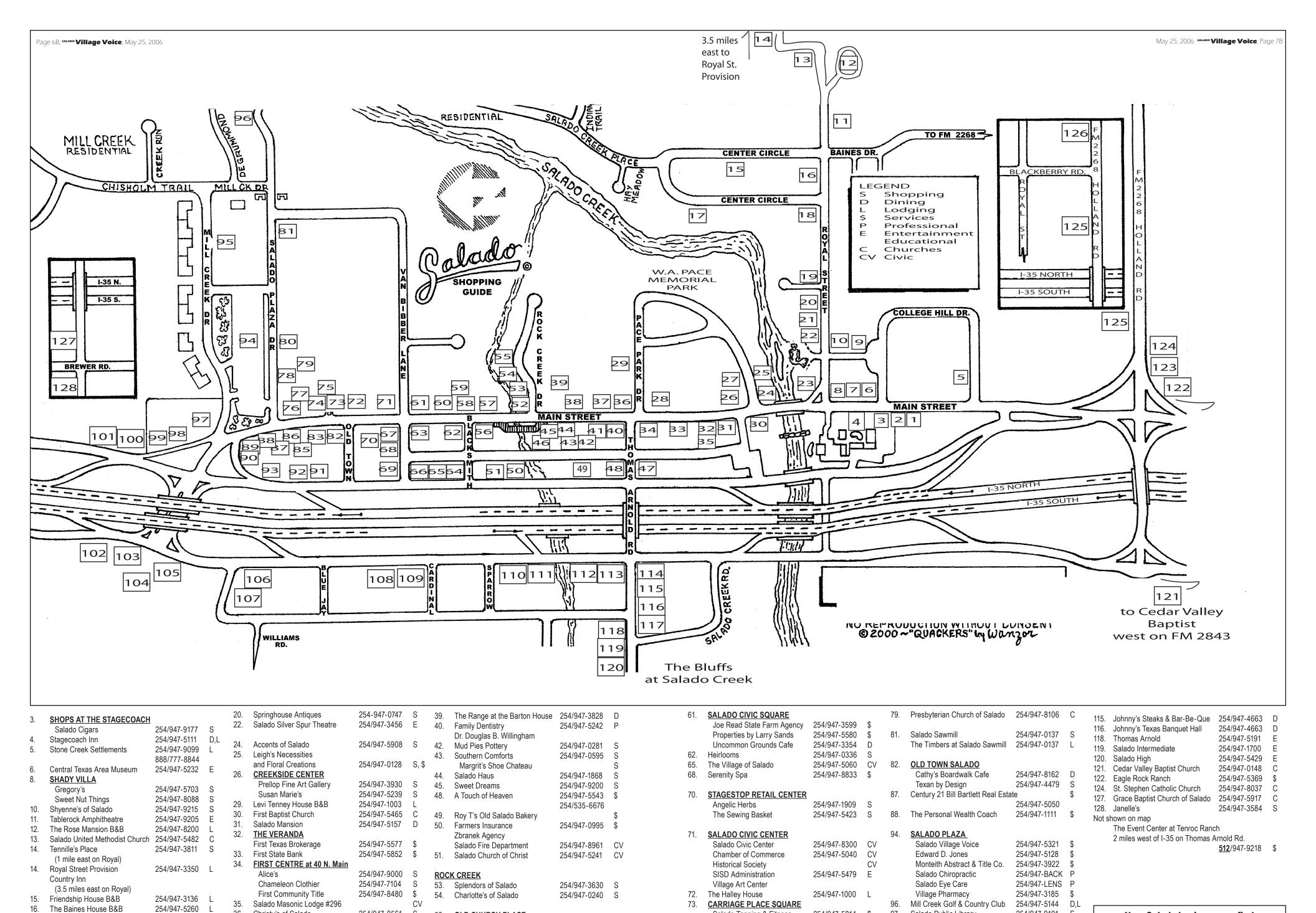
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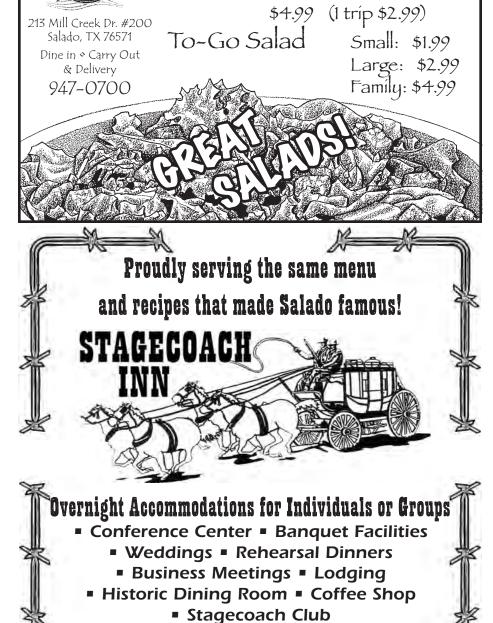
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Dune buggies that will be attending the show are nostalgic reminders of the 1960s, an era when Bruce Meyers released the first Meyers Manx. Since that time enthusiasts have restored and even created new version of that dune

Also at Buggy Blast IV, several dune buggies called a "rail" will be shown. The rail buggy is simply a chassis, generally using a Volkswagen Beetle engine and transmission. This year the show includes classes for the loveable Beetle and Bus from Volkswagen. The vehicles have been restored with great love and care by their owners. Some are returned to their original showroom condition while others have become highly modified custom vehicles.

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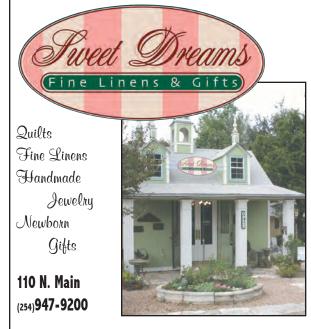


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West

Pass 5 ♦

Pass

Opening lead - king of diamonds.

Rara Avis

Contract

By Steve Becker

This deal resulted in a

huge swing in a team-of-

four match. At the first

table, South got to six

spades on the bidding

shown. East's impudent two-notrump bid was

the "unusual notrump," showing length in the

West leaped to five diamonds in response but gave up the ghost after North bid six spades. This was poor strategy on West's part,

since a vulnerable small slam was imminent, and seven diamonds doubled could not cost much.

West led a diamond

and shifted to a club.

Declarer won, drew four

rounds of trumps, cashed

minor suits.

Bridge

EAST

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North

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(166 song)
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About It" ('83 song)

the king of hearts and led a heart to the ten to score 1,430 points. The heart finesse was certainly logical. Declarer reasoned that East, who had shown up with no high-card strength at

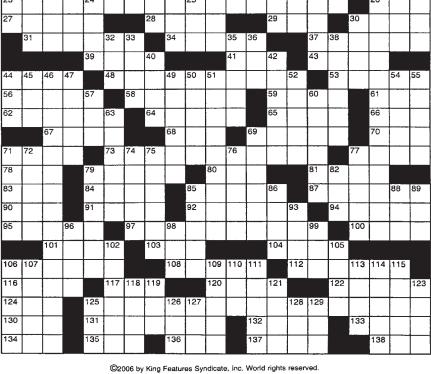
all, probably had 6-6-1 distribution for his two-

notrump bid. The bidding was spirited at the second table also, but here East became declarer at six diamonds doubled. South led the king of clubs and then made the fatal error of shifting to the queen of spades instead of a heart. East ruffed, trumped a club, cashed the ace of diamonds and ruffed a second spade.

When he next trumped another club in dummy and the suit divided 3-3, his 10-7-6 all became tricks. So, after trumping another spade, he cashed three clubs, discarding all three hearts from dummy to make six diamonds doubled for a score of 1,090 points.

His team thus gained 2,520 points on one deal, having made a slam in both directions to achieve one of the rarer feats in bridge.

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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.

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★ Moderate ★★ Challenging *** HOO BOY!

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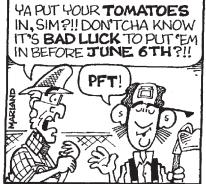
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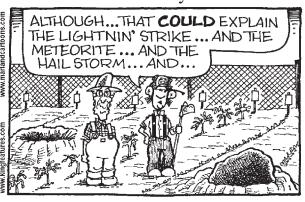


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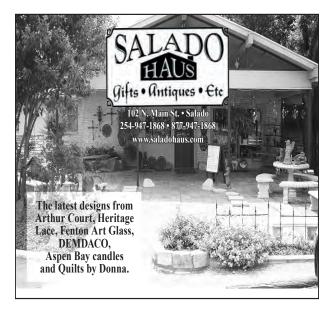
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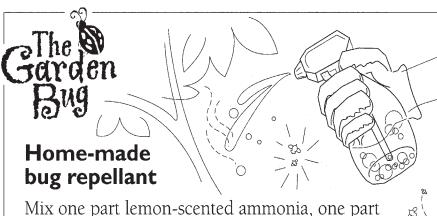
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Rig Edwards was one of 400 pilot instructors at Avenger Field. Each instructor was in charge of five girls. Rig's daughter, Sandra Spears,

by Tumbleweed Smith

helped get him to work.

"We would drive up to the entrance early in the morning and the guard would shine his light into the car. My sister and I usually had on our pajamas. When he saw that it was us, he would wave us on in. Then when it was time for Daddy to come home in the afternoon, he would buzz the house three times and we'd go get him."

The women pilots received six months training at Avenger Field.

"There were 25,000 women that applied. The women had to know how to fly before they could even be accepted into the program. The men could learn how to fly from the ground up, but WASPs had to have a commercial pilot's license to get in. At that time there were only about 3,000 women in the United States that qualified. Of those, there were 1,845 accepted into the program. There were 1,074 that actually graduated and got their wings. They were then stationed all over the US."

The WASPs flew 77 different types of aircraft. They could not fly outside the US.

"One of their main duties was to ferry planes from aircraft factories on the west coast or Texas to the east coast so they could be sent off to Europe. Some women pilots tested planes after they were repaired. Others were tow pilots, where they were towing targets for the men pilots to shoot at. And they were using live ammunition."

The trainers and students were all civilians, except for military pilots who gave the WASPs their final check flight.

"WASPs were not recognized as veterans until 1977. They paid their way to get here. If they washed out of the program they paid their way home. If they were killed in action, the girls usually took up a collection to have the body sent back to the family. When the program closed in December of 1944, they had to pay their way to get home."

After the program ended, some women joined the military; others became housewives or started other careers. For some time, efforts were made to have a museum to honor the WASPs. On Memorial Day of last year, the WASP museum opened in Sweetwater. Sandra is a board member.

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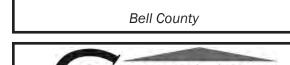
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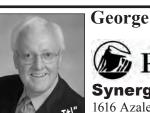
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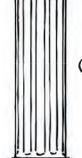
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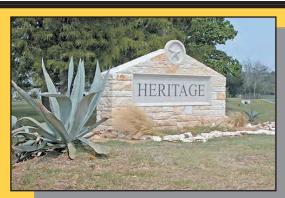
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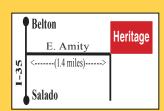




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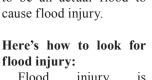
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for these leafy giants, but as bad for trees as too a little knowledge - and knowing where to seek assistance – can help trees survive spring thaw. Too much water can be

little water. While some trees are suited to survive occasional floods, most are not. In addition, as a tree becomes older, its ability to adapt to abrupt environmental changes decreases. When Spring levels recede, consumers may begin to notice problems with their trees.

"Trees must maintain a proper water balance," says Peter Gerstenberger, senior advisor for safety, compliance and standards with the Tree Care Industry Association. most trees can withstand moisture conditions from very dry to very wet for short periods of time, continued extremes can cause serious problems, depending on the tree species," Gerstenberger explains.

Some species - such as some oaks, pines and junipers – have adapted to survive drier conditions. Trees that grow along rivers (such as willows, poplars, cottonwoods and sycamores) and trees that grow in or around swamps and ponds (such as red maples, gums and pond cypress) can also grow in wet conditions. Flood injury occurs when soil becomes saturated with water. There doesn't need to be an actual flood to



Flood injury usually expressed through changes in the foliage. One symptom in particular, chlorosis, is commonly caused by flood injuries. Chlorosis is the yellowing of leaves caused by a decrease in the amount of chlorophyll (green pigment) in the leaves. This symptom can look like a symptom of a disease but is often caused by non-disease problems,

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When flood conditions are prolonged, root dieback occurs. During root dieback, soil is so saturated that there is not enough oxygen available to the tree roots. Without the proper balance of oxygen and carbon dioxide, roots can't survive. Eventually the tree is not able to absorb adequate moisture, despite the flood condition. The tree will exhibit symptoms similar to leaf scorch, where a tree's leaves turn brown and die due to a lack of moisture in the leaves. The symptoms usually start at the top of the tree or on the ends of branches, and spread throughout the entire crown. The symptoms are often more severe on the side of the tree facing the prevailing

Symptoms of flood injury, in the order that they develop on the foliage, are:

- slight wilting or drooping of the foliage;
- yellowing browning (necrosis) of leaf edges;
- browning in the center of the leaf.

What to do

The best prevention for this problem is to avoid

planting flood-intolerant trees in areas that are frequently flooded. There are a variety of wetland trees and shrubs that can be planted instead. There are not many practical short-term solutions other than improving Whenever drainage. changes in drainage are made, the impact to all the affected landscape and landscape plants needs to be considered. Avoid creating problems for flood-tolerant plants by providing drainage for intolerant plants.

Find a professional

A professional arborist can assess your landscape and work with you to determine the best trees to plant. Contact the Tree Care Industry Association (TCIA), a 68-year old public and professional resource on trees and arboriculture. It has more than 2,000 member companies who recognize stringent safety performance standards and who are required to carry liability insurance. TCIA has the nation's only Accreditation program that helps consumers find tree care companies that have been inspected accredited. and easy way to find a tree care service provider in your area is to use the "Locate Your Local TCIA Member Companies" program on the TCIA Web site, www.treecare industry.org.



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The non-profit Environmental Working Group launched the Not Too Pretty campaign in 2002 to raise awareness about the dangers of phthalates, industrial chemicals that are used as solvents in many cosmetics. Most of the mainstream hair sprays, deodorants, nail polishes and perfumes that millions of people use every day contain these harmful chemicals. Phthalates are also employed as plastic softeners in many different consumer products, including children's toys and medical devices.

Shown to damage the liver, kidneys, lungs and reproductive systems in

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animal studies, phthalates can be absorbed through the skin or inhaled. Scientists at government agencies in both the U.S. and Canada agree that exposure to the chemicals could cause a wide range of health and reproductive problems in people.

Manufacturers use phthalates because they cling to the skin and nails to give perfumes, hair gels and nail polishes more staying power. But a recent study by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) found that five percent of women between age 20 and 40

had up to 45 times more phthalates in their bodies than researchers initially hypothesized. CDC found phthalates in virtually every person tested, but the largest concentrations -- 20 times higher than the rest of the population -- were found in women of child-bearing age. Meanwhile, another study, led by Dr. Shanna Swan of the University of Missouri, identified developmental abnormalities in male infants correlating to high phthalate levels in their mothers' bodies.

Meanwhile, the industry-backed Phthalate Information Center asserts, "There is no reliable evidence that any phthalate has ever caused a health problem for a human from its intended use." The group accuses organizations of "cherry picking" results "showing impacts on test animals to create unwarranted

concern about products." But EWG spokesperson Lauren E. Sucher urges people-especially women who are pregnant, nursing or planning on becoming pregnant--to avoid phthalates. EWG offers free online access to its "Skin Deep" database, which lists lotions, creams and polishes that contain phthalates. Health experts encourage women to consult the database before shopping for beauty products.

A 2003 European Union directive bans phthalates in cosmetics sold in Europe, but U.S. and Canadian regulators have not been so proactive, despite mounting evidence potential harm. Health advocates were temporarily relieved when the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) announced that it would begin enforcing a 1975 law requiring labels on products with ingredients that haven't been safety tested. But such labels remain to be seen, even though 99 percent of cosmetics contain one or more untested ingredients.

Those interested in adding their voices to the chorus of environmental and health advocates opposed to the inclusion of phthalates in cosmetics can submit a customizable pre-written letter to the FDA expressing their concern via EWG's NotTooPretty.org website. The website also provides pages and pages of information and research on the issue for those looking to learn more.

C O N T A C T S: Not Too Pretty, www.NotTooPretty.org; Skin Deep, www.ewg.org/ reports/skindeep.

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Dear EarthTalk:
What is causing the
bird flu? Could it really
kill millions of people?
-- Steve Schlemmer,
Andover, MA

Bird flu is a viral infection naturally carried by wild birds, notably ducks that can infect other birds but not get sick themselves. Domestic poultry, however, are very susceptible to the disease and usually get

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sick and die once infected. Humans, in turn, can catch the disease through close contact with infected

When the influenza strain H5N1 appeared in humans in Hong Kong in 1997 and spread quickly to Asia, Africa and Europe, it sent shockwaves throughout the healthcare profession. The spread of the disease was not sufficient to be considered a pandemic (an epidemic worldwide in scope), but it did infect over 200 people and kill about half of them. There have been no documented cases so far of H5N1 moving from human to human, but experts fear that the virus could mutate into a strain that can--and accordingly kill millions of people. It wouldn't be the first time: Many scientists now believe that the Spanish Flu of 1918, which killed 50 million people (including 675,000 Americans and 43,000 Canadians), started as bird flu.

Some researchers see habitat loss as a key factor in the unusual spread of the disease between wild and domestic birds. recently released United Nations (U.N.) Environment Programme report found that loss of wetlands around the world has forced migrating wild birds onto stopping points along their way-such as rice paddies and farms--that are ordinarily the domicile of domestic chickens, ducks geese, with whom they normally don't mix. "Wetland depletion has direct implications for migrating wild birds," says David Rapport, a professor at the University of Western Ontario and a lead researcher on the U.N. study. "Wetland habitat worldwide continues to decline, owing to agricultural expansion and urban development, resulting in fewer staging areas for wild migrating birds."

Rapport warns that "heroic efforts" like mass culling are not likely to appreciably slow the spread of bird flu. The best hope, he says, is to increase habitat for wild birds and avoid siting large-scale poultry operations along migratory bird routes. Minimizing human contact with domestic poultry is also key, but this would be a tall order given the prevalence of poultry in the human diet. Also, in many parts of Asia, separating poultry from people would be at odds with cultural traditions.

Many North Americans may not realize that the bird flu virus has already arrived here. In November 2005 two wild ducks tested positive for H5N1 in Canada, although not the same dangerous strain that affected Southeast Asia. The virus was also found on a domestic duck in British Columbia shortly thereafter. While no infected birds have been documented in the

it's only a matter of time. Just last year U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Mike Leavitt said that a bird flu pandemic was an "absolute certainty," echoing repeated warnings from the World Health

Organization (WHO). A

U.S. yet, researchers say

recently released White House report warns that, if there were to be an outbreak, the nation is unprepared and as many as two million people could die. Meanwhile, Canada has earned kudos from WHO, which is using its billion-dollar preparedness plan as a model for other countries to follow. CONTACTS:

Wildlife www.wildlifetrust.org; Health Canada Avian Flu (Bird Flu) Website, www.hc-sc.gc.ca/dc-ma/ avia/index e.html.

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