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District piecing together school finance puzzle

By TIM FLEISCHER EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

During the summer months, Salado Independent School District administrators piece together the puzzle of school finance, a puzzle that changes every biennium thanks to the Texas Legislature, as well as the Bell County Tax Appraisal Dis-

The puzzle of school finance is comprised of two key pieces that have to fit in order to work: revenues and expenditures.

Even though they do not have full information on either revenues or expenditures, SISD administrators have begun work with Salado school trustees on the 2007-08 operating budget.

SISD Finance Director Lyndal Cabaniss reports that the district received its estimated taxable values recently. The district has increased in taxable property values by almost eight percent, to \$536,417,083. This is a lesser increase than the five-year annual average increase of 12.07 percent or the 10-year annual average increase of 11.19 percent.

In the past five years, Salado ISD has increased from \$341,571,501 certified taxable valuation to \$497,811,300 certified tax- process, the valuations are able valuation.

In that same period, the district has grown in population from 1,045 to approximately 1,250 enrollment, which increases the property wealth per pupil from \$326,863 to \$398,249.

See the graphic with this story for an in-depth comparison.

Salado's growth in taxable values parallels that of the county, which increased almost eight percent to \$11.3 billion in preliminary taxable values.

The certified values will come later this summer and is the value upon which that both the local revenue stream and the state revenue stream is based. Before the values are certified, individual property owners can appeal their valuation to the Bell County Tax Appraisal District.

While values increased about eight percent across the district, some individual property owners saw their own appraisals increase dramatically, some as much as 317 percent in just one year.

State law currently prohibits a taxable increase of more than 10 percent on a homestead, but this ceiling does not apply to commercial, agricultural or undeveloped property.

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Open auditions set for Shakespeare production

Tablerock Festival of Salado's October production of Shakespeare's Taming of the Shrew will be held June 23 and 24 in the backstage room at Tablerock.

Anyone wishing to audition should arrive at 3 p.m. on either day with a prepared Shakespearean monologue, and should

Auditions for also be prepared for cold readings from the script.

> The fall Shakespeare Festival, entering its fifth year, is held on the first three Saturdays in October, and rehearsals begin the second week of August.

> For more information contact David Dunlap at 254-247-0220 or email ddunlap@tablerock.org.

Salado I.S.D. Finance History **Property Values, Tax Rate, Fund Balance and Wealth per Student**

ı		Percent							Property
ı			Increase/Decreas	se			Total		Value
ı	Tax	Net Taxable	Over	TA	X RAT	E	Fund		Per
ı	Year	Evaluation (\$)	Prior Year	M&O	I&S	Total	Balance (\$)	Enrollment	Pupil (\$)
ı	90-91	107,370,442		0.9899	0.3100	1.2999	279,428	556	193,112
ı	91-92	109,637,210	2.11	0.27	0.30	1.4667*	694,716	601	182,425
ı				(0.57 lc)	ocal/0.896	67 county	·)		
ı	92-93	113,208,303	3.26	0.22	0.300	1.4420*	771,392	614	184.378
ı				(0.52 lo	ocal/.922	county)			
ı	93-94	119,500,449	5.56	1.2068	0.2352	1.4420	724,868	678	176,254
ı	94-95	123,471,079	3.32	1.2210	0.2200	1.4410	741,500	721	171,250
ı	95-96	161,099,482	30.48	1.1400	0.1497	1.2897	667,028	761	211,694
ı	96-97	174,108,897	8.08	1.0800	0.20.97	1.2897	333,842	815	213,631
ı	97-98	182,427519	4.78	1.0813	0.1784	1.2597	92,028	903	202,024
ı	98-99	214,922,852	17.81	1.2100	0.2800	1.4900	263,653	944	227,673
ı	99-00	228,019,499	6.09	1.3100	0.1800	1.4900	223,101	991	230,090
ı	00-01	245,133,631	7.51	1.3210	0.1690	1.4900	540,489	960	255,348
ı	01-02	282,787,992	15.36	1.3800	0.1900	1.5700	913,843	986	286,803
ı	02-03	341,571,501	20.79	1.3850	0.1850	1.5700	1,293,590	1,045	326,863
ı	03-04	381,261,321	11.62	1.4100	0.1700	1.5800	1,633,707	1,057	360,701
ı	04-05	425,229,314	11.53	1.4120	0.1680	1.5800	1,690,855	1,151	369,443
ı	05-06	455,499,904	7.12	1.4220	0.1580	1.5800	2,156,390	1,210	376,446
	06-07	497,811,300	9.29	1.3000	0.3000	1.6000	2,356,390**	1,250	398,249
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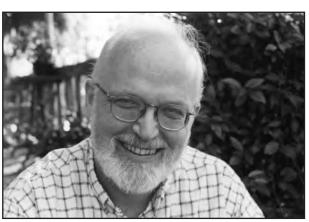
* Rate includes SISD and Bell Co Ed. District tax ** Estimated fund balance

Increase in Taxable Property Values Five-Year Average 12.07% per year 10-Year Average 11.19% per year

10th Annual Greene Literary Festival staged this weekend in Salado

The Living Room Theatre of Salado will present the Judy & A. C. Greene Literary Festival June 22 and 23.

This year's guest presenter is Jim Magnuson, head of the University of Texas' Michener Center for Writers and author of a murder mystery, **The** Hounds of Winter, the only fiction book ever published by the University of Texas Press. Scenes from that book will be performed by Don Gravink, Chuck McCarter, Gwen Morrison, and Bryttni Williford, 7 p.m. June 22 only, at the Salado Civic Center.



James Magnuson, director of UT's Michener Center for Writers, will be the guest presenter for the Greene

A reception and book signing following the performance.

On the following evening at 7 p.m., at Stonecreek Settlement, two works of A. C. Greene will be presented, celebrating the 10th year of the Festival: "The Highland Park Woman" and

"The Texas Rangers Raid on Gladysville."

The two short stories are vintage Greene, and they were the first show to be performed by the Living Room Theatre. Ramon Carver and Judy Greene will perform roles in both shows.

The annual Literary event closes that same evening with a party for all persons attending the Festival.

Reservations are available by calling 254-947-

Admission to both performances, the June 22 reception, and the June 23 party, are one price: \$20.

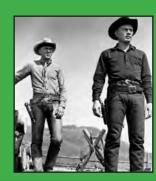
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Steve McQueen and Yul Brynner head the allstar cast of The Magnificent Seven, which will be screened at the Salado Silver Spur Theater this week. See story on 111A.



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An Open Exchange of Ideas



Michael Moore's sicko propaganda

Is all that ails the U.S. health-care system that it's not run by a communist dictatorship? That has long been a premise of apologists for Fidel Castro who extol the virtues of medical care on his totalitarian island nation.

Left-wing documentary filmmaker Michael Moore is reviving this Cold War relic of an argument in his new movie on health care, "Sicko," which favorably compares the Cuban health-care system to ours. Moore ostentatiously took a few sick 9/11 workers to Cuba for care. "If they can do this," Moore told Time magazine, referring to the Cubans, "we can do it"

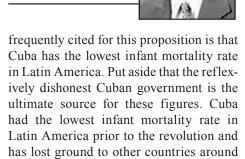
All that the Cuban government has done, however, is run a decades-long propaganda campaign to convince credulous or dishonest people that its health-care system is worth emulating. These people believe -- or pretend to believe for ideological reasons -- that a dictatorship can crush a country's economy and spirit, yet still deliver exemplary medical care.

Cuban health care works only for the select few: if you are a high-ranking member of the party or the military and have access to top-notch clinics; or a health-care tourist who can pay in foreign currency at a special facility catering to foreigners; or a documentarian who can be relied upon to produce a lickspittle film whitewashing the system.

Ordinary Cubans experience the wasteland of the real system. Even aspirin and Pepto-Bismol can be rare and there's a black market for them. According to a report in the Canadian newspaper the National Post: "Hospitals are falling apart, surgeons lack basic supplies and must reuse latex gloves. Patients must buy their sutures on the black market and provide bed sheets and food for extended hospital stays."

Yet we're supposed to believe the routine medical care is superb. The statistic

Rich Lowry



the world since. It also has an appallingly

high abortion rate, meaning most problem

pregnancies are pre-emptively ended.

The way public health works in Cuba was nicely illustrated by the case of Dr. Desi Mendoza Rivero, who complained of an outbreak of dengue fever that the regime preferred to ignore in the late 1990s, and was jailed for his trouble.

As is always the case with Cuba, anything that's wrong is blamed on the United States. If there is a shortage of medicine, well, that's because of the U.S. embargo. But the United States is not the only country in the world that sells drugs. Cuba could buy them from Europe or elsewhere, and the U.S. embargo makes an exception for medicines

The only reason to fantasize about Cuban health care is to stick a finger in the eye of the Yanquis. For the likes of Michael Moore, the true glory of Cuba is less its health care than the fact that it is an enemy of the United States. That's why romanticizing Cuban medicine isn't just folly, but itself qualifies as a kind of sickness.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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Writer explores "Truth Telling" practiced by politicians; Also Freedom of Information problems

Have you given much thought lately to the matter of truth telling by public figures here in America? Specifically by members of our political class (both elected and/or appointed), plus others who once served in public office or those hankering to serve in the future? Including the mushrooming army of wannabees romping up and down the airways and byways - trying to outtalk; out-think; and succeeding only in out-equivocating each other.

What brought this subject to mind is the multitude of folks who have wide ranging access to the electronic and print media and who, for unfathomable reasons, make public pronouncements and then feel compelled to "spin-away" what they say as being "not what they meant" or the equally asinine claim "they were misunderstood." And not forgetting of course, the dopey flounderers who constantly complain they're misquoted by a "mean-spirited liberal press!"

JIMMIE CARTER- SAID WHAT?

Classic example - Jimmie Carter was asked recently to compare the Nixon and Bush administrations. The former President's response: "I think as far as the adverse impact on the nation and around the world, this administration has been the worst in history."

Okay - so everyone has an opinion about the Great Decider and his handiwork over the past six and a half years. Carter shared his views, followed by a predictable uproar. Three days later the ex-Pres told those who were interested, that "maybe" he had been "misinterpreted."

Reporters and columnists had a field day with Carter's balderdash, but we think Leonard Pitts said it best. Pitts writes for the Miami Herald, and he hopped on Carter's turnaround with a succinct question: "How do you misinterpret the words 'worst in history"?

Pitts further noted, that (if asked) he would have encouraged the ex-President to issue the following statement: "In a recent interview I accidentally said exactly what I meant, and I'd like to take it back because I didn't anticipate the controversy and I don't need the headache."

That might have been "too much truth" to handle by those of us brainwashed with words that constantly require translation to the standard excuses "misquoted or misinterpreted"; or by self-serving "apologies" - that sound like the mistakes were "our" fault in the first place - just for listening.

STRAIGHT TALK FROM ROBERT GATES

As a model of "straight shooting"
- we note the following powerful
words from Defense Secretary Robert
Gates. Speaking at the Naval Academy graduation last month - Gates told
the young officers to "always remember the importance of two pillars of
our freedom under the Constitution
- the Congress and the Press. Both
try our patience from time to time,
but they're the surest guarantees of
the liberty of the American people."

Those impressive remarks, coupled with his honest statement (later) as to why four star Marine General Peter Pace would not be forced to undergo Senate renomination hearings (as

Off the Record by Ken Clapp



Chairman of the Joint Chief of Staff), makes Gates unique - as a top executive department official, who respects the truth.

Well done, Bob Gates. Here's hoping your forthright manner won't gain you "headliner" status in the Bush administration's escalating "Heckuva-Job-Brownie, Club."

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DERAILING A GREAT SYSTEM

Our constitution is without doubt the greatest document ever produced by a nation that believes the will of the majority is sacrosanct, and that democracy will flourish under an elected Congress charged with proposing "needed" laws, followed by a thorough public hearing, debate and eventual vote - with the majority deciding if the measure becomes the "Law of The Land!

That's the way things are presumed to work, but if you read the editorial in the Salado Village Voice's May 7 edition, written by Charles Davis, (Society of Professional Journalists), you might begin to wonder!

Davis pointed out how just one Senator can derail an excellent constitutional system of lawmaking, with an "archaic parliamentarian parlor trick" - i.e. the placing of a "secret-hold" on any piece of legislation set for debate, thereby dooming the measure.

Davis explained how this was done by Senator Jon Kyl (R-Arizona) when he "killed" the important bipartisan "Freedom of Information Reform Act" that passed the House by a 308-117 vote that included 80 Republicans. The Senate Judiciary Committee then sent the measure (unanimously) to the full Senate for debate and action.

That's when the slippery Kyl slapped the "hold" on the bill and Senators were "not allowed" to debate (or vote) on that critically important piece of legislation.

CASE FOR OPEN GOVERNMENT

Another example of the need for openness in government emerged at the same time Davis' editorial appeared in papers across America. Seems the media wanted a copy of the visitor's logs at Vice President Cheney's taxpayer-paid office and residence. Cheney quickly snarled that these records are not covered by the Freedom of Information Act and thus exempt from disclosure to the public.

The Bush administration has always maintained that visitor logs should be kept confidential at both the White House and VP's office and home. The media did not ask what the visitors were talking about, only who they were - and this difference was pointed out to the courts where that matter quickly landed.

The high court will soon decide if visitor's logs fall under the purview of the Freedom of Information Act. With the current conservative makeup of the Supremes - it would appear almost certain the Bushies will prevail, with open government the loser

Even more important is the "sealing" of Presidential Records (in perpetuity) by Bush - a matter that may be resolved via a "veto-proof" House bill, now in the Senate. Otherwise that measure will also head for the courthouse.

That's -30-

It's ok

for banks

PK-3 programs can provide a jump start for Texas' Hispanic children

In 2000, half of all young Hispanic children lived in two states: Texas and California. Expanding and improving the quality of early education for Texas' Hispanic population should be among our highest educational priorities. One way to give our children the best possible start is to provide them with greater opportunities in the early childhood years through the PK-3 approach.

What is PK-3? PK-3 programs raise achievement among children by offering quality early education programs that align the curriculum and instruction for children from prekindergarten through the third grade. Research has shown that the PK-3 years are the crucial years that provide the foundation for life-long learning. Aligning the curriculum and instruction for children from prekindergarten through the third grade contributes substantially to meaningful higher levels of school readiness and achievement.

PK-3 is especially important for Hispanic children. Hispanic children lag well behind their non-Hispanic White counterparts on measures of school readiness when they start kindergarten and subsequently achieve at much lower levels in the primary grades. This pattern of lower academic achievement persists through high school and college.

In the short term, school districts that use the PK-3 approach will experience reduced special education and grade retention costs. In the long term, we will see decreased dropout rates, savings to the juvenile and adult justice systems, and increased earnings from participants.

Moreover, increased investments in PK-3 programs, which are proven to prepare our young children for school success, also strengthen the state's economy. Better education equals better jobs and

Reader sounds off on community participation

Your Voice

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

In case you've been out of town for the past several years, our Village government has been attempting to develop additional revenue streams in order to consistently meet its financial obligations as we now rely exclusively

on franchise and sales tax

revenues.

One option has been a possible property tax but every time the matter is brought up a cadre of citizens is quick to vocally object at City Hall. Along these same lines, the B&B's are always complaining that too many of their customers depart a day early because there isn't anything to do in the evenings here. And, the shopkeepers are always whining about lack of cus-

Well, hats off to Chamber President Joe Czaus and Executive Director Suzi Epps and Chairs Trish Stebbins and Cathy Sands for their vision and hard work in developing the fantastic Western Heritage weekend that just ended. But curiously enough, few, if any of the consistent complainers participated, much less at-

tomers and sales.

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Jack and I went to Pace Park on Saturday evening and enjoyed a delicious BBQ dinner served by the Salado VFD and then settled in to listen to several talented musicians and artists. However, too few of us even showed up for dinner, and as the evening progressed most drifted off until, when the five-piece band Santa Fe started around 9 p.m., I personally counted only a dozen or so people left, and that included relatives of the performers.

C'mon folks, let's stop squealing like pigs stuck under the gate and start supporting these community efforts to make Salado more attractive. because it takes all of us working together if we are to succeed.

Where were you this weekend? The Chamber will try this again next month, when we'll be counting noses and taking names and if you don't support that one, you will forever forfeit vour right to complain about anything ever again.

Joan Schrock, Salado

An Open Exchange of Ideas to rob you



New passport rules require planning ahead

As Texans prepare for family trips and summer vacations, many are having difficulty getting the passports they need to travel. Under new federal requirements, more Americans will need passports to re-enter the United States after traveling overseas. Therefore, it is important to know if you will need a passport for your trip, to be familiar with the application process and to make your arrangements well in ad-

To help prevent undocumented persons from entering our country, new travel guidelines within the western hemisphere are in place. Although well-intentioned, the new passport requirements are proving inconvenient and cumbersome. In addition. the U.S. Department of State's delay in processing passport applications has caused great frustration.

Traditionally, hemisphere has offered safe travel destinations and friendly neighbors. It is clear, though, that terrorists are anxious to infiltrate our nation through other countries. Further, a few rogue dictators in Central America have sought alliances with nations that harbor terror-

As a result, a passport or other appropriate documentation is now mandatory for all air travelers re-entering the U.S. from Canada, Mexico, Central and South America, the Caribbean and Bermuda.

Capitol Comment Kay Bailey Hutchison





Beginning Jan. 1, 2008, land and sea travelers will also need a passport to return from these countries. A receipt showing that you have submitted your passport application and a government issued ID will be sufficient for travel to these destinations until the end of September.

With these additional requirements in place, the State Department has received a record number of passport applications and is experiencing a sizable processing backlog. In order to avoid delays. I encourage you to complete and submit your application with all proper documentation as soon as possible.

If you are applying for vour first passport, you must go in person to one of 384 Passport Acceptance Facilities in Texas, most of which are post offices. county clerks' offices or federal office buildings. Please take the following with you, and be prepared to pay the appropriate application fee:

- · A completed "Application for Passport" (Form
- Proof of citizenship (certified birth certificate. naturalization certificate,
- Proof of identity (such as a driver's license or

government ID)

• Two passport photos (commercially available)

A full list of acceptance facilities and further details about the passport application process can be found online at http:// travel.state.gov. Please remember that each traveler must have a passport, including children and infants. The process for passport renewal is similar and can also be found on the above website.

The State Department reports that routine applicants should receive their passports within 10 to 12 track the status of their request online within threeto-four weeks. However, my office has heard from people who have waited over four months for their application to be processed. I recommend that you apply months before vou are scheduled to leave the U.S., just to be sure. If you must have your passport in hand quickly. expedited service is available from the State Department for a fee.

Your passport identifies you as a United States citizen and will grant vou entry into more than 140 nations worldwide. Safeguard it at all times, travel safely and enjoy your vacation!

Jim Hiahtower

If you rob a bank, you're looking at doing 20 years hard time. But what if a bank robs you?

Ah, that's an entirely different deal. Unlike you, national banks that do wrong generally don't fear the cop on the beat. Why not? Because the cop's salary is paid by the banks!

Most of the Big Boys of the banking world operate under national charters, rather than state, and all national banks are regulated by the little-know Office of the Comptroller of the Currency. Even less known is the fact that the federal office does not go through the congressional appropriations process for its multi-million dollar budget. Instead, it's financed almost exclusively by the banks it regulates - indeed, 70 percent of its funds come from the very largest banks.

As pointed out by Robert Morgenthau, the venerable district attorney of Manhattan, these annual payments from the banks amount to protection money, because the Office of the Comptroller "has shown itself to be a timid regulator, even in the face of flagrant wrongdoing." Morgenthau notes that when such banking outfits as Bank of America, Riggs, and Wells Fargo have been caught breaking our country's money laundering laws, the Comptroller's office was more than lenient - it took no formal enforcement action at all.

Worse, the banking weeks of applying and can cop has aided bank larceny, going to court to stop states and cities from banning certain ATM fees and check-cashing fees. In essence, the big banks are paving their cop to assist them in robbing you.

In 2003, the Office of he Comptroller provided an extraordinary favor for national banks by decreeing that their subsidiaries are exempt from regulation by state banking authorities. Thus, if a branch of a national bank does vou wrong, vour state officials can't help you. Your only recourse is to the Comptroller's office which the banks own.

And bankers wonder why no one loves them.

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Texas Senate's approval of Religious Expression reveals false dichotomy in American views on speech

By Eric F. Langborgh

Sometimes it takes good news to reveal how bad things really are.

On June 8, Texas Governor Rick Perry signed into law "The Religious Viewpoint Anti-Discrimination Act" (HB3678) - designed to protect the right of students to express their faith in public school. Yet, it is peculiar: hadn't the First Amendment of the United States - and virtually every state constitution, as well - secured our right to the free exercise of our religions, as well as the expression of our beliefs (which "free

exercise" necessarily entails)?

The legislation, as reported earlier in the Dallas Morning News, is designed to ensure that "students' religious viewpoints in class assignments would be treated the same as secular expression" and that "religious beliefs expressed in homework, artwork and other assignments would be judged by traditional academic standards." No longer would students in Texas "be penalized or rewarded because of the religious content of their work."

Further research reveals that the impetus behind this legislation is a number of incidents in recent years resulting in the unconstitutional censorship of student viewpoints expressed in Texas schools, such as:

- · Reprimands for talking about Jesus during Easter
- A ban on children wishing deployed troops a "Merry Christmas"
- Children forbidden from bringing Christmas items to a school's "Winter Party," despite the acknowledgment of other faiths during the season

In Texas, as in many other parts of the United States, students who express their religion through speech or inclusion of religious words, symbols, or imagery in their assignments - have and are being penalized for doing so. In other words, the quality of a student's work is often judged differently, due to its expression of some aspect of religion, than a similar work that expresses something "secular."

As Houston attorney and religious liberties advocate Kelly Coghlan put it, "Religious expression is being treated as secondclass speech in many public schools."

When America's Founders crafted the First Amendment, they included a number of protections, including clauses guaranteeing the freedom of speech and the free exercise of religion. It must be noted that doing so was both superfluous and necessary. It was superfluous in that, as noted above, practicing one's religion necessarily entails the right to speak about it – so speech is speech, regardless of content. It was necessary because practicing religion involves more than just speech.

Nevertheless, the fact that there are these two clauses has led many Americans over the past seven decades to increasingly put religious speech "non-religious" speech into separate categories. This misunderstanding (out of ignorance by many, but deliberate by others) coupled with the oft-misapplied Establishment Clause, has been used as a battering ram against religious expression in the public square, schools, and government.

The key to remember is: speech is speech, regardless of its content and the philosophical or religious presuppositions it conveys. Some worldview or another is reflected any-

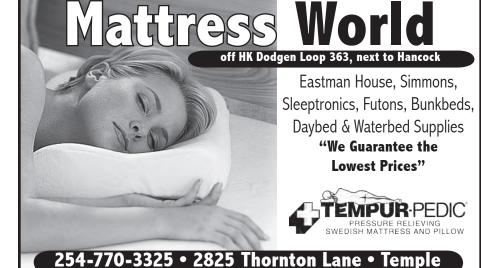
time anyone opens their mouth or puts words to paper. To restrict certain types of speech because it flows from one worldview and not another is to violate both the spirit and the letter of the First Amend-

That religious speech has apparently been penalized and not afforded the same respect as all other speech in Texas is worrisome, but not surprising. This false dichotomy reveals itself in myriad ways across America, often being pushed by groups like the American Civil Liberties Union, People for the American Way, and Americans United for Separation of Church and State. But they are wrong, and we can be glad that the government of Texas, at least is standing up to

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sent to local taxing entities for them to incorporate into their budgeting process.

During that time, Cabaniss said that she hopes to see the final funding formula from the state so that she can prepare a revenue budget for trustees to consider in the process.

As of last week, that funding formula had not been finalized.

In the meantime, though, SISD administrators have prepared proposed discretionary budgets that do not include personnel costs.

These departmental budgets include expenditures for supplies, inventory, travel, outside contracts, utilities and a myriad of other operating expenses.

The departmental budget is broken down into 12 pieces: Central Administration, Salado High School, Salado Intermediate School, Thomas Arnold Elementary, Library, Technology, Health Services, Athletics, Band, Food Service, Transporta-

2006-2007 Bell County Tax Appraisal Units **Property Tax Value Comparison**

ı	Taxing	2006 Value	2007 Value	Percent
	Unit	Certified (\$)	Preliminary (\$)	Change
	Bell County	10,488,686,938	11,325,914,590	7.98
	Clearwater UWCD	10,683,973,357	11,518,113,276	7.81
	Central Texas College	4,997,046,996	5,547,059,213	11.01
	Temple College	2,772,562,806	2,895,489,106	4.42
	Academy ISD	162,774,721	172,853,821	6.19
	Bartlett ISD	73,687,735	76,429,452	3.72
	Belton ISD	1,495,889,206	1,641,890,954	9.76
	Holland ISD	77,213,497	76,946,796	-0.35
	Killeen ISD	4,616,423,979	5,163,285,129	11.85
	Moody ISD*	112,045,431	119,613,638	6.75
	Rogers ISD*	127,260,625	135,242,442	6.27
	Salado ISD*	497,811,300	536,417,083	7.76
	Temple ISD	2,579,331,113	2,650,602,432	2.76
	Troy ISD*	198,032,162	217,263,041	9.71
	City of Bartlett	36,044,892	35,781,515	-0.73
	City of Belton	569,777,215	609,184,979	6.92
	City of Harker Heights	966,449,072	1,094,633,040	13.26
	City of Holland	24,441,578	24,308,193	-0.55
	City of Killeen	3,504,499,234	3,861,067,626	10.17
	City of Morgans Point	181,927,528	187,059,521	2.82
	City of Nolanville	83,277,671	107,211,923	28.74
	City of Rogers	22,213,807	22,877,659	2.99
	City of Temple	2,742,289,947	2,863,053,787	4.40
	City of Troy	59,031,064	62,700,944	6.22
	Elm Creek Watershed	481,456,561	499,357,787	3.72
	WCID #2	53,963,306	56,044,690	3.86
	Donahoe Creek			
	Watershed	45,084,045	45,764,754	1.51

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tion and Maintenance and the big picture of Total General Operating Expenditures.

Salado Village Voice will look at these pieces of

the budget process in next week's edition.

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Trustees approve contracts for teachers, school nurse

Salado ISD trustees approved contracts for seven teachers and a school nurse in a short session at the board's June 18 regular meeting.

Contracts were unanimously approved for the following personnel at the following campuses: Patricia Rehm - Life Skills, Salado High School; Lockie Darling - Agriculture, Salado High School; Lynda Kemper - English, Salado High School; Chase Tenney - U.S. History/Coach, Salado High School; Barry Kemper -Social Studies, Salado Intermediate School; Kristen Finch - First Grade; Janna Herzer - Fourth Grade; Jodi Loa - Fourth Grade. All instructors are certified.

The board also approved the contract for Emily Morris, RN, for school nurse.

In other business, the board voted to approve the firm of Patillo, Brown and Hill as district auditors for the 2007-08 school year, and approved First State Bank as the district's 2007-08 depository. Also, the board approved a contract between the district and the Bioscience Institute through Temple College.

In addition, Superintendent Dr. Robin Battershell presented the board with a United States flag

which was flown over Iraq on Mission 7031. Battershell explained that the flag was given to SISD by CW3 Gerald James Barker, husband of Marisol Hendershot Barker.

The board of trustees will next meet 6 p.m. July 18 at the Salado Civic Center. Board members will meet for their annual team building workshop 6 p.m. June 25 at the Salado Civic Center.



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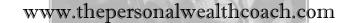


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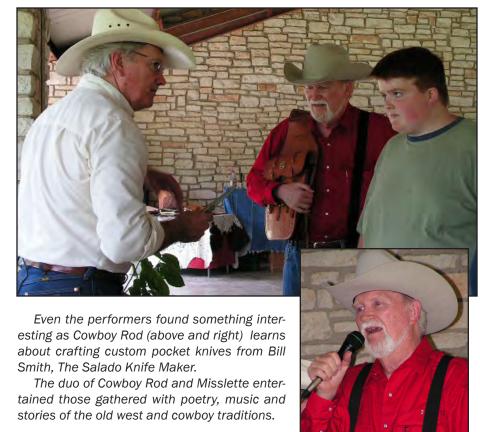


Sun shines on Salado



The rain may have moved Salado Western Heritage Days under the Pavilion at Pace Park but it could not dampen the spirit of the event. Somehow the clouds held their rain long enough to turn Saturday into a beautiful day.

The cool breezes brought a smile to the faces of these 'cowgirls'. L-to-r: Bonnie Smith in vintage style, Trish Stebbins, coordinator for the event, and Misslette, the singing cowgirl.





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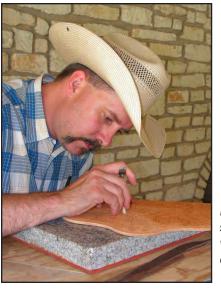
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Heritage crafts were demonstrated by several local artisans. Visitors could see first hand chair caning, leather working, whip making, woodcarving, quilting and more.





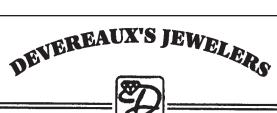




Salado Cub Scout Allen Sirois (right) gave the crowd a lessons in how to use their hand made ropes.

Allen taught these boys (left) how to make their own rope using a replica 1850 rope machine.





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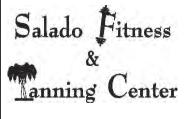
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a stronger local economy. Hispanic communities. The good news is that Other problems exist, strengthening PK-3 edusuch as a lack of knowlcation is gaining strong edge about program availsupport. A recent report ability among Hispanic by the National Task parents and the inability Force on Early Childhood to afford prekindergar-Education for Hispanten. Lack of English also

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ics recommended greatly

expanded and improved

early childhood educa-

tion opportunities for the

growing Hispanic popula-

raise achievement among

Hispanic children and

provide better educational

opportunities in the early

childhood years, there is

an inadequate capacity

to meet demand in many

While PK-3 programs

Studies show that PK-3 programs can improve the literacy and math skills of all children, and especially English language learners and low-income children. PK-3 strengthens children's skills to help them succeed. The PK-3 approach creates the continuity in teaching and curriculum that makes it more successful for Hispanic children to learn English. We must also encourage Hispanic college students to choose PK-3 education as a career. We must do our best to improve access to programs for Hispanic children by providing information to Hispanic parents and locating programs in neighborhoods with large concentrations of Hispanic

We need to ensure that all children have greater access to high quality early learning programs like PK-3. Greater opportunity needs to exist for Hispanic children from low income families, especially those who are English language learners.

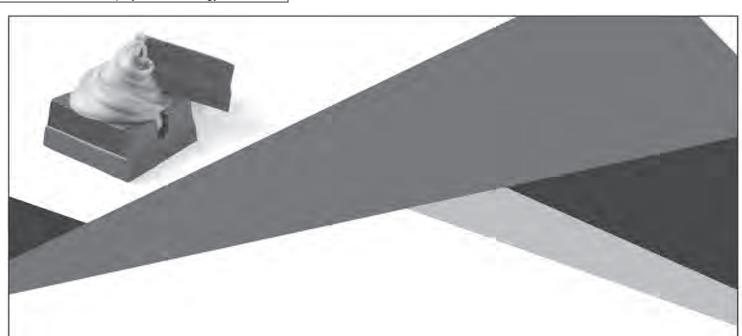
families.

It goes without saying that the early learning of a child is often affected by a wide range of complex circumstances in the family home as well. The elements of a loving, nurturing family, coupled with safe housing and ample nutrition play a role. All children deserve and need that familial support to enhance their chances of educational success.

Likewise, all children deserve and need access to programs like PK-3. We can make a difference in bringing all children up to academic standards. We must also continue to expand state-funded prekindergarten programs with the objective of creating voluntary universal prekindergarten and eventually move to a PK-3 curriculum.

Texas' Hispanic children should be fully prepared to participate in today's society. We can get them there by starting them off right with a quality PK-3 education.

Dr. Guerra is a pediatrician AND DIRECTOR FOR THE SAN ANTONIO METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT.



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Salado Lions Club President Don Clapp (left) is pictured delivering a grant in the amount of \$3,000 to Lloyd Parks of the Salado Civic Center Foundation. The funds are used to maintain the Lions Park on the grounds of the Civic Center.

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Powell and Kasey Pruett

were all named to Tarleton

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3.25 GPA, and juniors and

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Local students recognized

Several Salado students were recently recognized by their respective colleges for outstanding academic achievement.

David Farrow was named to Harding University's Dean's List for the spring semester. To be eligible for the designation a student must be carrying at least 12 hours and have a GPA of at least 3.65. Farrow, a junior, is major-

Saladoans among A&M spring grads

Texas A&M University awarded 5,417 diplomas to graduation candidates at its 2007 spring commencement ceremonies.

Local graduates included:

Candace Noel Simpson, Bachelor of Arts, Psychology

Cody Ryan Quirk, Bachelor of Science, Biomedical Sciences.

Paul Anthony Lucas, Bachelor of Science, Computer Science.

Kyle Raymond Salisbury, Bachelor of Science,

Biomedical Science.

Hunter Coggins

Konzen, Bachelor of Science, Ag Leadership and

Development.

Will Bradley Ray, Bachelor of Arts, Sociol-

Health Seminar to be offered June 28 at Salado Civic Center

The "Untold Truth" health seminar is being offered in Salado 6-8 p.m. June 28 at the Salado Civic Center on Main Street.

These seminars have been offered in Austin, Dallas, and Houston area but never in a place the size of Salado.

Two of the six courses offered will be presented. The first course, "Running on Empty," covers nutritional deficiency, disease and the standard American diet. This course study is written by Dr. Alex Duarte, O.D., Ph.D.

The second course study, "The Diabetes Epidemic," is written by Dr, Hugo Rodier, M.D. who operates a medical practice in Salt Lake City, Utah and is a recognized authority in nutritional and integrative medicine. The other four modules will be offered in smaller in-store classes.

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Church & People

Keller weds Vanderhule June 16

Dr. Shannon McGee, of Keller, and Trey Vanderhule, also of Keller, were wed in a double-ring ceremony June 16 at Villa Antonia in Austin. The bride is the daughter of Edward and Sandra McGee, of Austin. The groom is the son of Ed and Dorothy Stidham, of Salado, and George Vanderhule, of Austin.

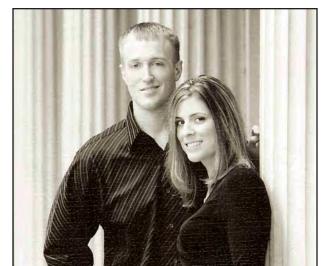
The service was officiated by Paul Tate. Music was provided by the Musical Discovery Chamber Players. Matron of honor was Erika Keller, of Wichita Falls. Bridesmaids were Joanna Henderson, of McKinney, Jennifer Pittman, of College Station, Dalila Galindo, of Round Rock, and Cathy Dewitt, of Austin.

Best man was Ryan McIver, of West Columbia, TX. Groomsmen were Lance Horton, of Richmond, Donald Hatcher, of Pflugerville, Matt Mande, of Oklahoma City, and Josh Beyer, of Jarrell.

Flower girls were Zoe and Julia Roensch. Ring bearers were Steffen Barrera and Champion Mathis, of Austin. Seating guests were Aaron Mc-Gee, Justin McGee, Scott Horton and Dan Keller.

A reception followed at Villa Antonia. After a wedding cruise to the Mediterranean, the couple will reside in Keller.

The bride is a graduate of the University of Texas and Ross University School of Veterinary Medicine with a degree in



Mr. and Mrs. Trey Vanderhule

Veterinary Medicine. She is employed by the Emergency Animal Clinic in Richardson. The groom is a graduate of Southwest Texas State University (Texas State) with a degree in Business Administration. He is employed by Fort Worth ISD - Northside High School as a teacher and a coach.

Church of Christ series continues June 27

the Southern Hills Church of Christ in Abilene, will be the next speaker in the Salado Church of Christ's from his work with the Summer Series. The service will be held 6:30 p.m. June 17 in the church auditorium, located at the resources for Christian corner of Blacksmith and Stagecoach Roads.

Ware will address words of Jesus from Matthew 18: "Where two or three or gathered, there I am..."

Prior to moving to the Abilene congregation in early 2004, Ware and

Phil Ware, minister for his wife. Donna, were in ministry for 22 years at Westover Hills Church of Christ in Austin. Aside church. Ware in president of Heartlight, Inc., an online provider of practical living, which can be accessed at www.heartlight. org. He also teaches a freshman Bible course at Abilene Christian Univer-

> For more information about the Summer Series call 947-5241.

Salado Monday Club to meet July 2

Salado United Methodist Church will next meet 2 p.m. July 2 at the Salado United Methodist Church.

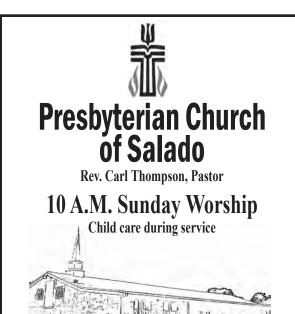
The program will be presented by Salado-based

The Monday Club of the artist Charles Allen, who will provide insight into his artwork and discuss his style, as well as answer questions from the audi-

All ladies are invited.



Frank and Kaye Coachman, of Salado, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Mary Frances Coachman, of Houston, to Michael Benjamin Sellen, of Houston and currently of Chicago. The groom-elect is the son of Mike and Jane Sellen. of Charlotte, NC. The bride-elect is employed with Vitreoretinal Consultants in Houston, and is a former NFL cheerleader for the Houston Texans. The groom-elect is a graduate of the University of Houston, and is employed as a corporate manager for LuxuryMotors.com in Chicago. The couple plans a Sept. 29, 2007 wedding at the Halley House in Salado, and will reside in Chicago.



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Western classic, The Magnificent Seven, to be screened June 21 & 24 at Salado Silver Spur Theater

Salado Silver Spur Support Service and Cinema Society will present the second movie, The Magnificent Seven, in its Five Dollar Film Fest 7:30 p.m. June 21 and 2 p.m. June 24 at the Silver Spur Theater. Guest members may pay \$5 at the door to experience classic and cult films on the large screen.

One of the most popular Westerns of all time, John Sturges' The Magnificent Seven was based on Akira Kurosawa's 1954 epic The Seven Samurai (which was originally titled The Magnificent Seven and was itself a thematic descendant of the Westerns of John

Director/producer Sturges packed a huge amount of plot and detail into what could have been a routine Western -- the opening threat to the Mexican village; the first meeting between Yul Brynner's Chris and Steve McQueen's Vin in a tense confrontation with a group of racist thugs trying to block a funeral procession; the decision to help the villagers and the gathering of the unlikely band of heroes; the heroes' journey to the village and their confrontation with who and what they, as gunmen, really represent to the people they're trying to help.

Some of this kind of material had figured in other, earlier movies, including George Stevens' Shane, John Ford's The Searchers, Anthony Mann's underrated The Tin Star, and Sturges' own Last Train From Gun Hill, but no one had ever put quite that much plot or character development into a single Western before. Apart from Yul Brynner, who was already an established star thanks to The King and I, the cast featured a half-dozen actors who

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stardom, such as Eli Wallach and Steve McOueen, or who would become major stars in coming years, including James Coburn, Charles Bronson, and Robert Vaughn; indeed, Sturges would re-team with McQueen, Coburn, and Bronson for 1963's The Great Escape, a film that provided a huge boost to each man's career.

The Magnificent Seven was a massive hit when it was first released and by 1966 had spawned the first of three sequels; but the cast, which grew in prominence as most of them became massive box-office attractions in their own right, only made the movie seem bigger and more important as time

The secret behind this very original movie's vast success, apart from the once-in-a-lifetime cast and the dazzlingly memorable score by Elmer Bernstein, was its timing and underlying zeitgeist. The Magnificent Seven was one of the very last feel-good films about American adventurism abroad to come out of Hollywood.

Appearing in the period immediately before Vietnam became a political worry and then a full-blown war, it was the last major movie to depict Americans (albeit gunmen and mercenaries) going to another country to help a people struggling for independence, without any

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of the complications that Vietnam added to that notion. The film was, thus, a two-tiered nostalgia experience -- initially, about the closing of the West and, in the next few years, in a much more powerful and potent way, as a fond look back at Americans' image of themselves as "good guys" in the modern world.

In any case, the film is a perfect document of its time as it stands and has become identified as such an intensely American cultural document that many viewers are unaware of its origins as a samurai story.

For more information about the society visit http://saladocinema.org.

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Section B

Salado Village Voice June 21, 2007

Shopping, Dining, Overnight, Events

Cast and crew announced for 15th Salado Legends season

Salado Legends will begin its 15th season on July 21, with subsequent performances on July 28 and Aug. 4. Performances will be held at Tablerock's Goodnight Amphitheater, located on Royal Street.

History, legend and memories are brought to the stage in the epic musical-drama, Salado Legends, written by Salado playwright Jackie Mills and 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 musicaldrama 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 96 years-old and live all over Central Texas. Sam Davis, from Belton, will play the lead role of Andrew McIver with Robert Pierce of Belton being understudy. Sarah Sanderford, from Belton, will play the lead role of Lucy Mc-Dougal. Stephanie Bielss, of Temple will be in the role of Sadie Lou Chalk. Jared Yost, of Salado, will play Little Douglas. Brian Sanderford, of Belton, will play Cam McDougal. Jim Woodul, from Killeen, will portray Angus McDougal. Geneva Bamsch, from Georgetown, has the role of Dora McDougal. Taryn Kornegay, of Salado, will portray Emmaline Mc-Dougal. Tony Blisard, of Temple, will be playing Malcom Ross. Erin Sanderford, from Belton, will play Bonnie Belle Posey and Renee Oas of Salado will play "Texas."

Liz Gotay-Perez will play Sirena for the third vear. Howard Horton, who lives in Bartlett, will appear for his ninth season as Sam Houston. Jon McHaney, from Denton, will play Tonweya for his fifth season. Miles Ellis from Holland will return for one performance as the Chief of the Tonkawas. The Chief will be played by Eddie Notgrass, of Belton, for two performances.

Other actors are Arnie Bielss from Temple and Helen Swenson from Burtram as Major and Mrs. Halley. Rebecca Redman and Sarakay Lamons, both of Salado, Matthew Bielss of Temple and Desi Swenson, of Bertram, play the Halley children. Dennis Yost and Bridget Williams, both of Salado, will portray Mr. and Mrs. Ira Chalk. Danielle Danford, of Salado, and Ciara and Carl Bamsch, of Georgetown, will play the Chalk children.

Harry Sweet, of Belton, and Carolyn Taylor of Salado will play Mr. and The Very Cultured Mrs. Sterling Robertson. The Robertson children are Carley and Laura Taggart, of Temple, and Cabe Temple, of Salado. Tim



Salado Legends performance dates are set for July 21, 28 and August 4.

Wilson, from Belton, and Alvalin Woodul, of Killeen, will play Mr. and the Very Cultured Mrs. Orgain. The Orgain children will be portrayed by Anna Kelley and Connor Wiley, from Holland, and Megan Seaton, from Salado. James Swenson, from Bertram, and Patty Pitts, from Salado, will play Mr. and the Very Cultured Mrs. Pace. The Pace children are Savannah Moreloc, of Killeen, Ashley Land, of Salado, and Jonathan Robinson, from Belton.

Watt Taggart, of Temple, will play Mr. Levi Tenney. The Tenney children will be played by Marcene Grimsley, Robin Kelley, Connor Kelley and Ashlee Cantrell, all of Salado. Jon McDurmitt, of Salado, and Barbara Anne Horton, of Belton, will play Mr. and Mrs. Griffith. The Griffith children are Samantha Horton and Whitney Voss, of Belton, and Madison Kelley, of Salado. Noelle Yagoub, of Temple, will play Miss Willingham.

Once again, Terry Crawford will portray his great-great grandfather in the role of Rev. Robert Crawford. Dan Horton, of Belton, will play Byron Bunker. Richard Curtis will drive the wagon and carriage using the horses from Good Times Carriage Rides. Terri Yaqoub, Talie Yaqoub and Chloe Rennert will portray members of the Tonkawa Tribe. Dr. and Mrs. Barton will be played by Richard Combs and Jacqueline Rogers. Steve Robinson will play Mr. Hermon Aiken. Some of the actors taking part in the battle scene are Alan Rogers and Walt Tollefson, of Salado, Andy Anderson, of Waco, David Buchanan, of Temple, and Bobby McLean, of Moody.

Crew members are David Dunlap - Sound; Jackie Mills - Producer and

Costumes; Denver Mills - Sets/Troubleshooter; J. R. Schwake - Lights; Jennifer Sellers - Back Stage Manager; Craig Pitrucha - Voice Director; Ann Sanderford - T-shirts and Tickets; Brenda Grimsley - Spot Light; Terry and Chris Seaton, Darlene and David Stevens, Tonya Kornegay, Donnette Cantrell, Sharon Van Winkle, Anne Hamman and numerous relatives of the actors will help at the ticket gate and concession stand. Frank Coachman is the Music Arranger of new songs in the production.

Dinner reservations for the catered meal are required: \$8 for adult or child. Adult show tickets are \$17. Children ages four-to-12 will be admitted for \$5.

Tickets may be purchased in Salado at Fletcher's Books and Antiques, The Salado Mansion, First State Bank, Compass Bank in Belton, Temple and Salado, and at ITR on Fort Hood. To charge tickets to a credit card visit www.tablerock.org. For groups of 20 or more call 254-947-9205 or write to Tablerock, P.O. Box 312, Salado, TX, 76571.

Carver publishes new book, "Best and Worst Travels"

Dr. Ramon Carver, director of Salado's Living Room Theatre, has published a new 365 page book, Best and Worst Travels, and has been profiled in another book, Heroes Hometown both publication dates within the same week. Both books are available through Barnes & Noble's (bn.com) and Amazon.

Carver says Best and Worst Travels is for travel buffs who want to know whom to trust and what not to fear when investing big bucks abroad or in the States; "The book really wasn't written for young adventurers willing to backpack around the world. My target audience is mature travelers pri-

marily interested in seven things: comfort, safety, good weather, good company, good food, means of controlling heat and cold, and shelter for the night not necessarily in that order."

Having earned a doctorate in Fine Arts and a reputation as a playwright (Variety described one of

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Cooking classes at The Range. Theme: Spring and Summer Brunch Party Ideas. Time: 9:30-11:30 a.m. Info: 947-3828 or www.therangerestaurant.com.

June 21 and 24

Salado Silver Spur Support Service and Cinema Society film screening, featuring "The Magnificent Seven," 7 p.m. June 21 and 2 p.m. June 23. Cost: \$5 for guest members. Info: www.salado cinema.org. **JUNE 22**

Village of Salado **Tourism Depart**ment presents Music to Lunch By, with an encore performance by Dale and Anita Allen, along with their daughter Alysia, noon-1 p.m. at the Gazebo on the grounds of the Salado Civic Center. Free and open to the public. Concert will be upstairs in the event of rain. Info: 947-8634. **JUNE 22-23**

Salado Silver Spur presents "Summer Shenanigans," 7:30 p.m. June 22 and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. June 23. Admission: \$15 for adults (\$10 matinee), \$8 for children with student, senior and military discounts available. Info and reservations: 947-3456 or www. saladosilverspur.com. June 22 and 23

10th Annual Judy and A.C. Greene Literary Festival, presented by

the Living Room Theatre neau. Info: 947-0348 or of Salado. Guest presenter will be Jim Magnuson, director of UT's Michener Center for Writers. June 22 will feature a performance of one of his works at the Salado Civic Center; June 23 will feature performances of A.C. Greene short stories at StoneCreek Settlement. Admission: \$20 for both performances. Info: 947-8300. June 23 and 24

Auditions for Tablerock's production of "Taming of the Shrew," 3 p.m. both days at Tablerock's backstage room. Info: David Dunlap, 254-247-0220 or email ddunlap@ tablerock.org. **JUNE 25**

Salado Public **Library Texas Summer** Reading Club for children, 11 a.m. at the library. Program: Comedienne Connie Coyote. Free and open to the public. Info: 947-9191. **JUNE 25**

Salado Masonic Lodge #296 meeting, 7:30 p.m. in the Lodge Building on Church Street. **JUNE 26**

Salado Village Artists host a free introductory knitting and crochet class, 1 p.m. in the Village Artists building, on the grounds of the Salado Civic Center. Items constructed will be donated to the charity Warm Up America. Class will be led by Kathleen Letour947-5842. **JUNE 27**

Wednesday in the Park, sponsored by Salado ISD and Salado Chamber of Commerce, 10 a.m. in Pace Park. Activity: Bicycle Safety and Bike Parade. Free and open to all Salado children. **JUNE 27**

Salado Church of **Christ Summer Guest** Speaker Series, with Phil Ware speaking on "Where Two or Three Gather, There I Am," 6:30 p.m. Free and open to the public. **JUNE 28**

Cooking classes at The Range. Theme: Cooking with the Kiddo's. Time: 9:30-11:30 a.m. Info: 947-3828 or www. therangerestaurant.com. JUNE 28 AND JULY 1

Salado Silver Spur **Support Service and** Cinema Society film screening, featuring the Mel Brooks classic "Blazing Saddles," 7 p.m. June 28 and 2 p.m. July 1. Cost: \$5 for guest members. Info: www. saladocinema.org. **J**UNE **28**

"Running on Empty" health mini-seminar, 6-9 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center. Seminar will provide attendees with information on popular products, prescription drugs, consumer foods and health challenges. To register call Angelic Herbs at 947-1909. **J**UNE **29**

Village of Salado **Tourism Department** presents Music to Lunch By, with gospel and country artist Cindi Miller, noon-1 p.m. at the Gazebo on the grounds of the Salado Civic Center. Free and open to the public. Concert will be upstairs in the event of rain. Info: 947-8634. JUNE 30

Texas Elite Barrel lacers Association at Wildfire Ranch. Books open at 5 p.m.; exhibitions 5:30-7:45 p.m.; jackpot begins at 8 p.m. Info: 947-8080. July 2

Salado Monday Club meeting, 2 p.m. at the Salado United Methodist Church. Program: Local artist Charles Allen speaking about his work. All ladies are invited to attend July 5 and 8

Salado Silver Spur

Support Service and Cinema Society film **screening**, featuring Mel Gibson's "The Patriot," 7 p.m. July 5 and 2:30 p.m. July 8. Cost: \$5 for guest members. Info: www. saladocinema.org. July 6 and 7

Third Annual Silver Spur Melodrama -"Idolatry on the Creek" - 7:30 p.m. July 6 and 2 and 7:30 p.m. July 7 at the Salado Silver Spur Theater. Info: 947-3456 or www.saladosilverspur.

July 7 and 8

Cowboy Mounted Shooting event at Wildfire Ranch. Info: 947-8080.

JULY 9-13

Jerry English's Girls' Basketball Camp, for incoming freshmenseniors, at the Salado Intermediate School gym. Times: 9 a.m.-noon. Cost: \$100. Registration and info: Coach Beth Moses, 947-6900 ext. 1305 or email bmoses@saladoisd.

JULY 12 AND 15 Salado Silver Spur **Support Service and Cinema Society film** screening, featuring "Lawrence of Arabia," 7 p.m. July 12 and 2 p.m. July 15. Cost: \$5 for non members. Info: www. saladocinema.org. **JULY 13 AND 14**

Third Annual Silver Spur Melodrama -"Idolatry on the Creek" - 7:30 p.m. July 13 and 2 and 7:30 p.m. July 14 at the Salado Silver Spur Theater. Info: 947-3456 or www.saladosilverspur.

JULY **14**

Texas Elite Barrel **Racers Association at** Wildfire Ranch. Books open at 5 p.m.; exhibitions 5:30-7:45 p.m.; jackpot begins at 8 p.m. Info: 947-8080. **JULY 14**

Shiny Top Ranch hosts a seminar for beginning shooters. Price: \$25, includes shells, round of skeet and instruction from a certified skeet instructor. Space is limited. Reservations and info: 254-760-4489 or 254-366-0658. **J**ULY **19**

Texas Historical Commission "Preserve America" grant work**shop,** 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m. at the Stagecoach Inn. Workshop will focus on helping communities reach their tourism potential.

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JULY 19 AND 22 Salado Silver Spur **Support Service and** Cinema Society film screening, featur-

ing Steven Speilberg's "Saving Private Ryan," 7 p.m. July 19 and 2 p.m. July 22. Info: www.saladocinema.org.

JULY 20-21

Salado Old Glory

Davs. Entertainment will be provided by the Salado Community Chorus, and the U.S. Army Band will perform at the Gazebo on the Civic Center grounds July 20. Also, actors from "Salado Legends" will be performing throughout the village. Info: Salado Chamber of Commerce, 947-5040.

JULY 20-21

Third Annual Silver Spur Melodrama -"Idolatry on the Creek" - 7:30 p.m. July 20 and 2 and 7:30 p.m. July 21 at the Salado Silver Spur Theater. Info: 947-3456 or www.saladosilverspur.

com. **JULY 21**

Texas Elite Barrel Racers Association at Wildfire Ranch. Books open at 5 p.m.; exhibitions 5:30-7:45 p.m.; jackpot begins at 8 p.m. Info: 947-8080.

July 21, 28 and Aug. 4

15th Annual production of "Salado Legends" outdoor musical drama at Tablerock Amphitheater. Show times: 8:15 p.m. for each show. Dinner at 7:15 p.m. Cost for dinner is \$8 for adult or child, and reservations are required. Cost for the performance is \$17 for adults and \$5 for children. Info: 254-947-9205 or www.tablerock.org.

JULY 23-26

Football Camp, for incoming third-ninth graders, at the Salado High School football field. Times: 9:30-11:30 a.m. Cost: \$40. Register with Coach Cheatham or call 947-6977 or email jlcheatham@saladoisd.

JULY 25-27

Salado Village Artists workshop, led by Garnet Buster. Medium: oil. Info: VeAnn Stowel, 771-5624. July 26 and 29

Salado Silver Spur Support Service and Cinema Society film screening, featuring Stanley Kubrick's "Dr. Strangelove," 7 p.m. July 26 and 2 p.m. July 8. Cost: \$5 for non members. Info: www.saladocinema.org.

JULY 27 AND 28

Third Annual Silver Spur Melodrama -"Idolatry on the Creek" - 7:30 p.m. July 27 and 2 and 7:30 p.m. July 28 at the Salado Silver Spur Theater. Info: 947-3456 or www.saladosilverspur.

JULY 28

Salado Church of **Christ Vacation Bible School.** Info: 947-5241. July 30-Aug. 2

Volleyball Camp, for incoming sixth-ninth graders, at the SIS gym. Time: 9 a.m.-noon (6th-8th) and 1:30-4:30 p.m. (freshmen). Cost: \$40. Register with Coach Bree Holz or call 947-6900 ext. 1304 or email bree.holz@saladoisd.org.

August 3 and 4

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- 7:30 p.m. August 3 and 2 and 7:30 p.m. August 4 at the Salado Silver Spur Theater. Info: 947-3456 or www.saladosilverspur. com.

August 3-5

41st Annual Salado Art Fair, on the grounds of Pace Memorial Park. Featuring over 100 artists and artisans from Texas and throughout the Southwest. Hours: 8 a.m.-5p.m. Aug. 4 and 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Aug. 5. Preview party Aug. 3 at Jack's Barn. Free parking throughout the village. Info: Salado Chamber of Commerce, 254-947-5040.

August 4

Sniny Top Ranch hosts a seminar for beginning shooters.

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First Baptist Church of Salado Vacation Bible School. 9-11:30 a.m. Open to all children who have completed K-6th Grade. For info call the Church at (254) 947-5465. August 10 and 11

Third Annual Silver Spur Melodrama -"Idolatry on the Creek" - 7:30 p.m. August 10 and 2 and 7:30 p.m. August 11 at the Salado Silver Spur Theater. Info: 947-3456 or www.saladosilverspur.

AUGUST 11

Texas Elite Barrel Racers Association at Wildfire Ranch. Books open at 5 p.m.; exhibitions 5:30-7:45 p.m.; jackpot begins at 8 p.m. Info: 947-8080.

August 16

Salado High School **Freshmen Orientation Camp,** for all incoming SHS freshmen, 9 a.m.noon at the High School Library. Attendance strongly recommended.

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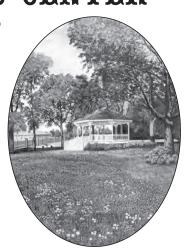
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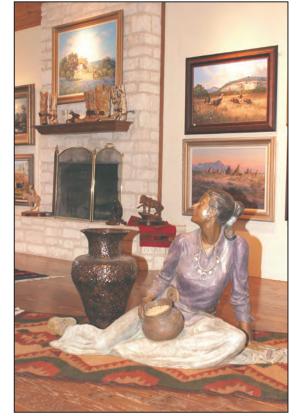


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August 18

Texas Elite Barrel Racers Association at Wildfire Ranch. Books open at 5 p.m.; exhibitions 5:30-7:45 p.m.; jackpot begins at 8 p.m. Info: 947-8080. August 24

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Mill Creek Men's **Golf Association** Member/Guest Tournament. Details TBA. SEPTEMBER 15 AND 16

Fantasy Faire at Tablerock, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. daily. Characters from history, literature, mythology and imagination invite you to a world of Medieval magic. Music, storytelling, archery tournament, vendors and more. Admission: \$7 for adults, \$5 for children 12 and under, seniors, and military with ID. Info:

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SEPTEMBER 22

Salado Area Republican Women Fine China Luncheon, 11 a.m. in the Longhorn Room of the Stagecoach Inn. Info: 939-7085.

OCTOBER **6-7**

Auditions for A Christmas Carol, 3 p.m. each day at Tablerock. Info: 947-9205.

OCTOBER 7

Tablerock's Fright Trail auditions, 5 p.m. at Tablerock. Info: 947-9205 or email tablerock 1@aol. com.

OCTOBER 6, 13 AND 20

Fifth Annual Fall Shakespeare Festival at Tablerock Amphitheater. The Bard's "Taming of the Shrew" will be presented under the stars 7:30 p.m. each performance date. Tickets: \$10 adult, \$5 children 12 and under, student or military; available at the gate or on-line at www.tablerock. org. Info:David Dunlap, director, 254-247-0220 or email ddunlap@tablerock.

OCTOBER 9

Salado Garden Club meeting, 10 a.m. at the Salado Presbyterian Church. All gardeners invited.

OCTOBER **12-13**

Annual Christmas in October event, sponsored by the Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary. More info TBA. OCTOBER 13

Salado Fine Art Gallery Night, 5-9 p.m. Participating galleries include Prellop, Thomas Kinkade Stagecoach Gallery, Main Street, Wells, Miller, Southern Image, B. Herd and Griffith. More details TBA

OCTOBER 27 AND 28

Tablerock's Halloween Fright Trail, featuring thrills and chills for young and old. Open 7:30-10:30 p.m. Admission: \$5 for adults, \$3 for children 12 and under. Concessions will be available. Info: Jackie Mills, 947-9205 or email tablerock1@aol.

com. October 28

Thomas Arnold Elementary PTO "Family County Fair," 1-4 p.m. at the Intermediate School. Free admission, and games and food will be available. All ages are welcome, and are invited to arrive in

Halloween costumes.

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November 5 Salado Historical Society meeting, 6 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center. Program will be given by columnist, author, broadcaster and lecturer Tumbleweed Smith. More info TBA.

November 13

Salado Garden Club meeting, 10 a.m. at the Salado Presbyterian Church. 10 a.m. at the Salado Civic Center. Program will be given by Norm Arnold of Houston, designer of gardens, discussing his new garden book on Glorious Texas Gardens. All gardeners invited to attend.

Nov. 30-Dec. 2

Annual Salado Christmas Stroll weekend. Details announced at later date. Visit saladovillagevoice.com for information as the days draw closer.

Nov. 30, Dec. 1, 7 & 8 Tablerock's 15th Annual production of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol," adapted and directed by Harry Sweet. Performances set for 7 p.m. each night. Tickets: \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and \$3 for children 12 and under. Tickets available at the gate beginning at 6:30 p.m. Concessions open at 6:30 p.m. Info: 947-9205 or email tablerock1@aol.

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Readers' questions answered

Over the next month I am going to answer numerous questions I have received regarding improving your health.

Q: You write in your articles about the benefit of free-range chicken vs. mass-produced varieties and organic vegetables and fruits. Can you suggest nearby places for someone to look to find these since they are not carried in the local grocery stores?

A: Here are just a few of the options available (This list is non-exhaus-

1. Go to www.picktexas.com and click on "farmers market" for a substantial list of markets available throughout Texas, including Bell County. A good number of the markets have their own websites for additional information. Make sure you are aware of not only the day and time that your farmer's market is available, but also, the season.

2. For raw dairy, including milk, yogurt, cheese and ice cream, go

The Salado Village

Artists will offer a free

class in the basics of knit-

ting and crochet 1 p.m.

June 26 in the Village Art-

ists building, behind the

primarily will be to teach

the craft to the uninitiated,

and also to make donations to the "Warm Up Ameri-

ca" association. Students

will learn how to make a

7"x9" inch block and will

then donate the block to

Warm Up America. These

blocks will ultimately be made into a quilt or blan-

ket, which will be donated to a person in need. Benifiting from the project will be hospitals, veterans

groups, children's chari-

have the opportunity to

learn this craft, they will

be sharing the fruits of their labors with those less fortunate. Attendees should bring any worsted

yarn and size 7 needles or

While attendees will

ties, and others.

The purpose of the class

Salado Civic Center.

Village Artists announce

free knitting course

LIFESTYLE AND WELLNESS

By Kevin McCauley



3. I shop at the Whole Foods on Lamar in Austin and the Austin Farmer's Market on Guadalupe downtown once a week. (I know a good percentage of you just had an anxiety attack, but the truth is, your health is worth the time and money! If it's not, what is?) I make a huge effort to purchase "local" produce, poultry and meat products whenever possible.

4. The HEB in Harker Heights is making a small effort to carry some "organic" produce and "natural" poultry, but selection seems to be a "hit and

Instructor for the class

will be Kathleen LeTour-

neau. For more informa-

tion contact LeTourneau

at 947-0348 or call Gwen

Morrison, SVA president,

at 947-5842.

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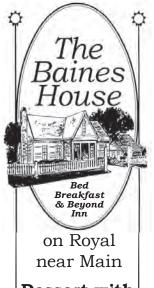
5. I have heard through the grapevine that Salado is inquiring about bringing a farmers market here to offer a day during the week that Belton and Temple do not. If you are interested in bringing a farmers market to Salado, please contact Debbie Charbonneau at 947-8634.

6. Wherever you shop, contact the manager overseeing the produce, poultry and meat sections. Tell them your concerns and let them know you would like to see some local products with improved quality over conventional farming.

Concerning food, this country is into mass production (quantity over quality), and if your store of choice refuses to give you the opportunity to buy locally grown and raised, as well as organically farmed, tell them you are going to shop elsewhere. If it doesn't hit them in the pocket, why would they ever make a change? Their concern is their bottom line, not your health!

Are you looking to improve your health and your family's well-being? Would you really like to see a farmers market come to Salado? Please contact Debbie, as without your help and input this more than worthy endeavor may not get off the ground.

Kevin is a Lifestyle and Wellness Coach/Certified Clinical Nutritionist in Salado. He is the owner/ operator of Progressive Wellness Services, a Total Wellness Company. Kevin helps families instill positive lifestyle habits into their lives, including: proper nutrition, smart exercise and understanding hormonal responses. If you have any questions e-mail him at youbewell@ earthlink.net.



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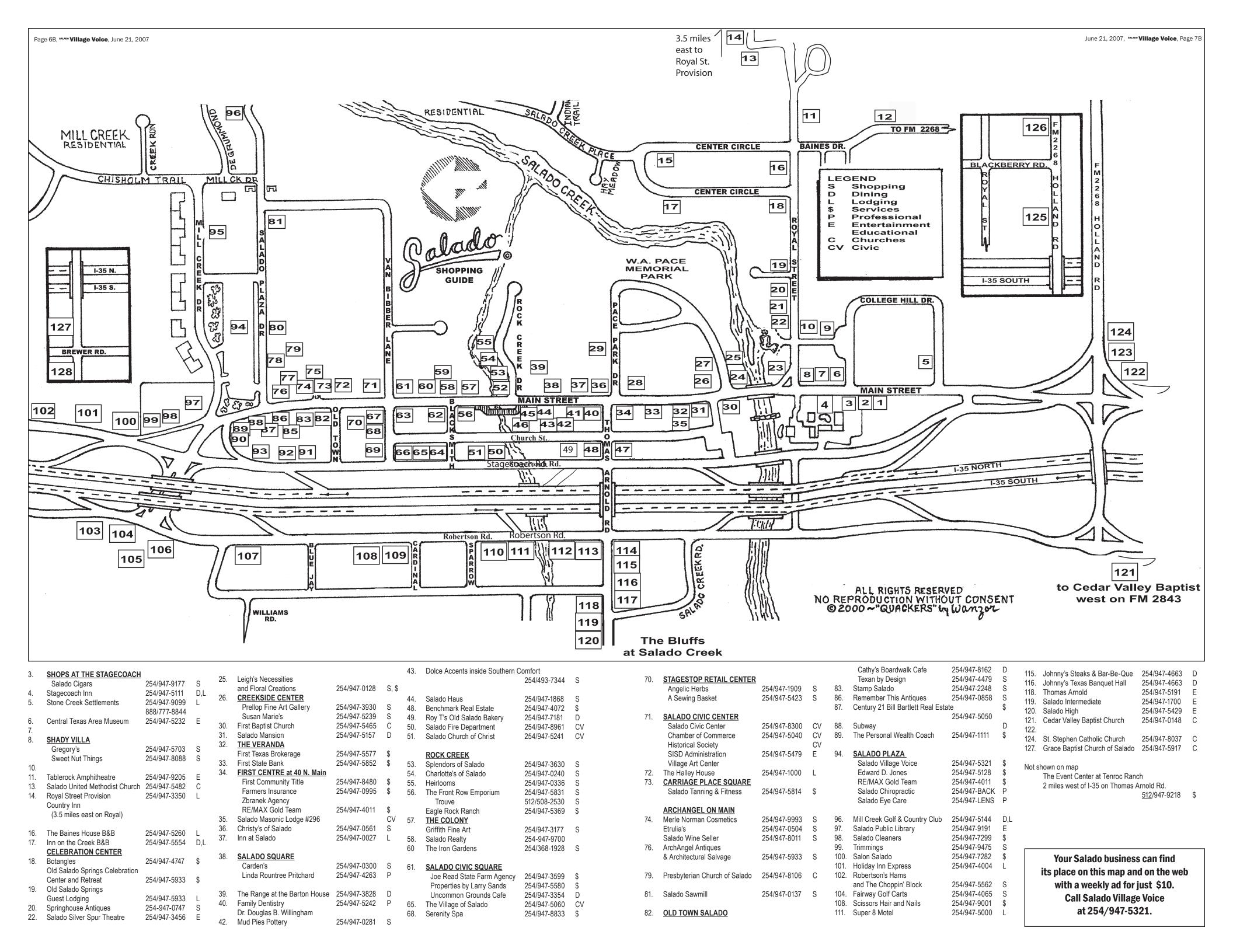


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New summer reading has arrived

The longest day of summer is coming up and the library has lots of good summer reads to get you through "the longest day" and beyond to the "longest season." We have some good oldies, some steamy romances, and some sticky mysteries as well as a lot of those great "beach reads."

Of course we have lots of new DVD's for those long hot summer nights. If you are lucky enough to have some of the summer free and clear, now is the time to catch up on those bestsellers—(The Kite Runner is a must if you are asking me!), the latest garden book, and all those books that everyone is talking about or the local book clubs are reading. And you know that Janet Evanovich always has a new Stephanie Plum adventure that comes out in the summer. Don't forget to come down and look over all the great books that the Friends of the Library have for sale on our front porch.

Here is a run down on some of the "summer" action you can find here at the library—classics, bestsellers, cookbooks, gardening books, and new DVD's.

First, here's an aptly named new book—

Summer Reading by Hilma Wolitzer

Summer in the Hamptons means crowded beaches in the morning, book club in the afternoon, and lavish evening parties. This novel is a stirring tale of friendship, romance, inspiration, longing, and good books. It is the story of a Hampton's book club and three of its very different members and their intersecting lives.

The Last Summer of Reason by Tahar Djaout

Check It Out

News & Notes from Salado Public Library

In 1993 Djaout was murdered by Islamic fundamentalist assassins as he left his home in Algeria. He was killed because of his "fearsome pen." This book was found after his death. From this renowned Algerian author we inherit a brutal and startling story that reveals how far an ordinary human being will go to maintain hope. This voice from the grave renders a conflict that is more timely than ever before.

Summer Gone by David MacFarlane

This novel explores the stories of three generations of lost summers. Canadian journalist Macfarlane makes this fiction debut with a spellbinding novel, evoking magic and betrayal in childhood and the fleeting beauty of summer.

Chevrolet Summers, Dairy Queen Nights: Of Cloudless and Carefree American Days By Bob Greene

Journalist Green presents a collection of essays many of them lamenting the days when life in American seemed simpler and more civil. These stories are entertaining, nostalgic - if you are in the right mood - and some are very moving even if there is a lot of apple pie and

Prodigal Summer by Barbara Kingsolver

Author of **The Poison-wood Bible**, Kingsolver's fifth novel spins three

poignant stories against the hardscrabble landscape of southern Appalachia. Over the course of the long, hot summer, the characters begin to reconcile themselves with nature and themselves.

The Days of Summer by Jill Barnett

Barnett is always a good relationship beach read! This one spans 30 years and three generations of Peyton women and Banning men. The Days is an epic drama that explores our deepest ties to family, our mistakes, and our ability to forgive. Ok, it's a chick read, all right?

Now I have obviously picked these out to mention because of their titles (did you catch on?), but there are plenty of great summer romance and mystery reads from our regular stable of popular authors like Janet Evanovich, Rosamund Pilcher, James Patterson, David Baldacci, Lyvyrle Spencer, Sandra Brown, Luanne Rice, Diane Mott Davidson, Susan Wittig Albert, Stephen King, and on and on.

And don't forget some of the great standbys that we always have: gothic romances from Garwood and Roberts, hard-boiled lady detectives like Sue Grafton, J. A. Jance, and Carol O'Connell; the unbeatable Robert B. Parker; the smoldering James Lee Burke; the powerful Michael Connelly; or the thrilling Lee Child, and Harlan Coben. These guys never disappoint

If these don't tickle your fancy, how about The Summer Stargazer-Astronomy for the Absolute Beginner? Get out in there under our beautiful Texas open skies and look

up some stars! Or maybe you are a struggling gardener - How about Dry-Land Gardening: A Xeriscaping Guide for Dry Seasons? Or perhaps you are too good a gardener and so maybe you need Too Many Tomatoes, Squash, Beans and other Good Things For When Your Garden Explodes.

And if there are kiddies at home, how about Andy and Sandy's Yummy Summer Snack Book found in the children's section. Or for some BBQ recipes try The Lone Star Legacy: A Texas Cookbook put out by the Austin Junior Forum. And we have a brand new cookbook that I just love called The Glory of Southern Cooking. This is a fabulous collection of old southern recipes like: Best Beer-Battered Fried Chicken, Cracklin' Biscuits, Hummingbird Cake, and Fried Okra.

If books are not your thing right now, here are some "summer" movies for you to check out: Heat of the Sun; My Best Friend's Wedding; The Wedding Planner; The Wedding Date (well, it is June isn't it?); Under the Tuscan Sun; The Chamomile Lawn. Or maybe you aren't looking for anything to do with the sun...so check out our new DVD Shakleton, the greatest survival story of all which will definitely chill you out.

Or, if you are going to be on the road for your vacation, don't forget our wonderful selection of audio books. They really help pass the time and you would be catching up on your reading as well while driving. A couple that I can personally recommend for listening especially are: The Kite Runner, The Secret Life of Bees, Over the Edge of the World, The River of Doubt, The Borderlands, and anything by James Lee Burke.

Now that summertime is here and "the livin' is easy," come on down and see what we have to enjoy. We have so much choose from.



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Stowell named Artist of the Month

VeAnne Stowell has been selected as the Salado Village Artists' new artist of the Month for June and July. In an ongoing program provided by the art club to display art in the town, a collection of her work will be displayed at the Salado Public Library as well as Compass Bank and First State Bank Central Texas.

Stowell and husband Jim. have lived in eight states and came to Central Texas from Nevada. When the couple moved to the Temple area it didn't take VeAnne long to find the Salado Village Artists, and agree to take on the challenging job of Ways and Means. In that position, she is responsible for finding instructors, and managing the fund raising workshops for the club.

She describes her experience with the art group as "stimulating. I love the interaction with other artists," she says. "The sharing of knowledge and support you get from your friends is wonderful." In the past she has led informal paint-alongs with members of the SVA on Tuesdays. "We all learn something," she states.

She comes from an artistic heritage and describes her art style as "crazy." She likes mixed media, water color and impressionistic painting. She has even created pleasant



VeAnne Stowell

images from cardboard, dyes and toothpicks. She also has a fondness for painting giraffes, Indians, and flowers. "Japanese rice paper makes a won-

derful base for painting," she says.

Her paintings will be displayed throughout June and July.

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Best and Worst Travels —

Carver's plays produced in Hollywood as being "one of those rare animals that is getting rarer, a play about real people with real problems and real triumphs"), Carver has written about real travels, listing over 20 things that can go wrong, but he offers amusing solutions for dilemmas. He says that in retirement, he has always been more thrilled while travelling than disappointed.

He's toured England like Bill Bryson (Notes from a Small Island), sailed on Sea Cloud I, QE2, and Silverseas and Seabourn ships to hundreds of places like Patricia Schultz (1,000 Places to See Before You Die), travelled on trains like Paul Theroux (Riding the Iron Rooster), and he's ridden astride a dromedary with an Egyptian tour guide, Aki Akram Alam.

He candidly describes

his five trips with Yale exes (one grim experience but mostly great) as well as independent travels. And he's taught English for Global Volunteers in Xian (China), Barlad (Roma-

nia), and Ostuni (Italy). A graduate recipient of the William Morris Agency and MCA Fellowships at Yale's Drama School, his prizewinning plays have been produced at Yale, off-Broadway at the Samuel Beckett Theatre, in Hollywood at the CAST theatre, and elsewhere in the States.

"It's just coincidental," he says, "that Hometown Heroes, profiling me and the Living Room Theatre of Salado, and Travels have come on the market during the same month." He is also author of plays produced in Hollywood, off-Broadway, and in Washington, D. C. and has written a travel book series, "What You Need

To Know Before You Go." Heroes, subtitled: "Real Stories of Ordinary People doing Extraordinary Things All Across America," is a Harper Collins publication, rec-

ognizing 50 people in the US (three from Texas) ages 14 to 93 who demonstrate it's never too late to make a difference. Carver says it's a fluke for him to receive the recognition. "Nearly everybody in this village supports service organizations and art or history and humanitarian projects. They're my

heroes." For the past 12 years, Carver and his wife of 48 years, Barbara, have lived in Salado where he has been a Citizen On Patrol, a Salado ISD Mentor, a Village Alderman, President of the Public Arts League, and Manager of the Living Room Theatre's annual Judy & A. C. Greene Fes-

When asked where he's

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off to next, Carver said, "Bhutan, to the east of India and south of China, later this year. But first, I've got to get this book on the market, and I'll go virtually anywhere the public will buy it."



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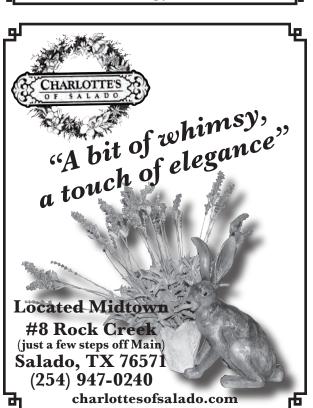
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three notrump, and South plays low from dummy, winning East's nine with the jack. Declarer can count eight sure tricks -- two spades, two hearts and four clubs -- and needs another trick to get home safely. After cashing four clubs,

West dealer.

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The bidding:

Pass

Neither side vulnerable

♦ Q J 10 9 7 ♣ K 8 5

SOUTH

♦ K 9 3 **♥** A J 7 2

♦ 8 4 • A Q J 10

Opening lead - six of hearts.

foresight pays off

Extraordinary

Contract

By Steve Becker

Here is an unusual hand

West leads a heart against

that requires a remarkable

play by declarer to make the

Bridge

contract.

East

South

on which West discards a diamond and a spade, South leads a diamond. East takes the ace and returns a heart. It does not matter whether declarer wins with the ace immediately or later. West's heart suit becomes established either way, and he eventually gains the lead with the king of diamonds to set the contract one trick.

But, as indicated earlier, it is possible to make the contract. What South should have done was to allow East's nine of hearts to win the first trick!

It is true that as a result of this play declarer makes only one heart trick instead of the two he can score by winning the nine with the jack. But the effect of ducking the nine is that South makes three notrump, which is a far more important consideration than winning one heart trick instead of two.

Let's see what happens if South ducks the nine. East returns a heart, declarer plays low again, and West wins with the queen.

The defenders now have two tricks, but they cannot do better than score the A-K of diamonds eventually West has the K-8-4 of hearts left, and South still has the A-J. A heart lead from West does not prevent declarer from establishing the diamond suit to make the contract, nor does any other lead. The defense meets its Waterloo.

The recommended line of play has a sound foundation. Declarer assumes West does not have the A-K of diamonds -- West passed originally and, judging from the play to the first trick, has the K-Q of hearts -- so he plays for the honors to be split. Whenever this is the case, he severs the defenders' communications by refusing to win East's nine at trick one.

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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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Weekly SUDOKU

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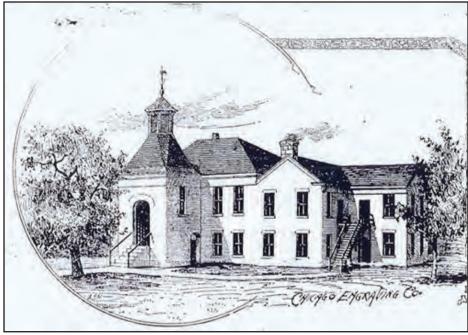
Historical Society launches website

75 HISTORIC IMAGES CATALOGED

The Salado Historical Society has opened access to its newly-created Historical Website - http://saladohistoricalsociety.com.

"It is our intent to share the rich history of Salado and Central Texas with the 30-plus web pages and 75 pictures," said Dr. Wallace Davis, president of the Historical Society. "The site is dedicated to a 'virtual tour' of 26 Salado historical sites."

The historical era begins with the founding of the Village and Salado College in 1859. tour parallels the highly successful CD/Cassette Driving Tour that was re-introduced in April of 2006. There is much information in the 58-minute driving tour that could not be included in this web tour. However, the "virtual tour" has the power to show both current and 150-year-old views of the same sites. "We expect that this site will grow



An early rendering of Salado College

with additional history and photos being documented over time," Davis commented.

The Salado Historical Society was created to preserve and share the rich heritage of the village and is guided by

two basic purposes: 1) To collect information and exhibits which can help to establish or illustrate the exploration, settlement, and development of the area. 2) To work cooperatively with national, state, area, and village officials to preserve

the historical integrity of the Village.

The Historical Society also displays many of its holdings in the Historical Society Room at the Salado Civic Center.

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Historical Commission workshop slated July 19

The second round of Texas Historical Commission (THC) Preserve America grant workshops in the 2007 "Texas Heritage Trails Program: Communities Helping Reach Their Tourism Potential" series is scheduled to come to Salado July 19. The workshop will be held

8 a.m.-5:30 p.m. at the Stagecoach Inn.

The Interpreting Historic Resources workshops will be conducted by internationally-renowned interpretive planner and trainer John Veverka, who has designed and provided training courses for the

CTAM to host Genealogy workshop

The Central Texas Area Museum has announced its annual Genealogy Workshop, to be held June 23. Registration begins at 9 a.m. and the program will commence promptly at 10 a.m. Lunch will be served and refreshments will be available throughout the day.

Special emphasis this year will be on the settlement of Texas in the period between the end of the Texas Revolution in 1836 and Texas Statehood in 1845.

The following questions will be examined: Who were these settlers who came to Texas between 1836 and 1845? What was their origin and motivation for relocation? What parts of Texas were settled at that time?

The Central Area Museum will feature Gayland Greaser, a distinguished member of the staff of the Texas Land Office in Austin. He is renowned in his field of expertise. A noted researcher, his knowledge of state resources is invaluable.

The 2007 CTAM Genealogy Workshop will take place in Central Texas Area Museum's Scots Hall of the Clans Auditorium, located at #1 Main Street, across from the Stagecoach Inn. Registration is \$30, which includes lunch and refresh-

Call 947-5232 for further information or reserNational Parks Service's Gateway Program and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Interpretive Services Course. He has developed and taught interpretive master planning and environmental and cultural interpretation courses for graduate programs at Ohio State University and Michigan State University.

The Texas Historical Commission (THC) is one of 45 recipients of grant funding through the Preserve America initiative. The funding was used to develop the Heritage Tourism Guidebook and workshop series. The guidebook assists the public in developing a heritage tourism program or site in their community. The workshop

component is a three-series regional workshop program focused on site improvements for small museums and historic sites.

The first round of workshops dealt with collections care and was held in February and March. The third and final round of workshops, taking place in the fall, will focus on exhibit development and design. For more information about the Preserve America grant workshop series visit www.thc.state.

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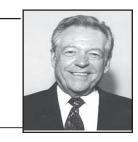
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by Tumbleweed Smith



His book, **Nobody Told Me I'd Have to Sell**, has been translated into several languages.

In high school, Dick created skits at assemblies and later at church camp. He made audiences laugh by talking about ordinary experiences that everybody in the audience had.

Dick has traveled the world on cruise ships. Somewhere along the way he decided he could be as funny as the paid comics who entertained passengers on cruises. He put it to the task once when a cruise ship had a tal-When Dick ent night. got on stage, the audience laughed and laughed at Dick's material and the cruise director took Dick's name.

Since that first cruise ship appearance as a guest some 20 years ago, Dick has been in demand as a speaker and entertainer. He has appeared in comedy clubs all over the country and on cruise ships

around the world. Every once in awhile Dick will get a call from a cruise line that will ask him if he can be in Singapore in two weeks to do some comedy gigs between there and Australia. Dick is different from most comics. His material is clean.

Dick appeared in Las Vegas a few years ago on a showcase with other comics. Early this year he told me he was going to be at the Riviera Comedy Club in Vegas the week of May 21st. It was his first real paying job in Vegas. We went to see him.

On the cell phone when we arrived, he mentioned something about his name on billboards around town. There was some static on the line and I was in a noisy place, so I couldn't hear him too well.

On the monorail to his him.

hotel we saw a huge sign advertising Dick's appearance. His name was spelled Candall. I quickly made a sign like chauffeurs have when they pick up people at airports. In large letters I printed C-A-N-D-A-L-L. I held it up when he came down to the lobby. When Dick saw the sign, he doubled over with laughter. He then took us outside to view his name on a lighted building sign miles away with letters five feet tall. That sign spelled Dick's name Crandall.

We enjoyed going around Vegas together. At Dick's show that night, he was the emcee for the evening. His clean comedy was brilliant and got more laughter than the other two comics. They did get his name right when they announced him at the club.

Dick called us the day after we got back home and said the person who invited him to the Riviera invited him back for a return visit. So when you hear that Dick Kendall or Candall or Crandall is going to be in Vegas, go see him.

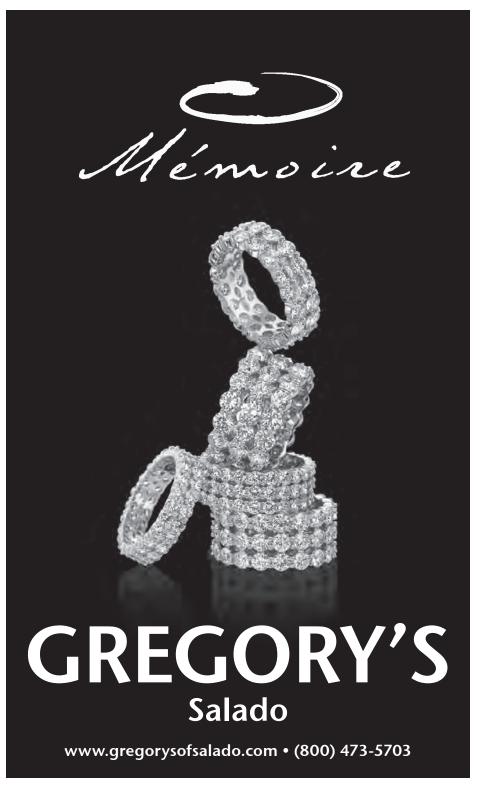


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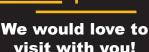
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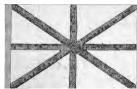
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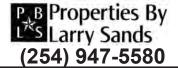


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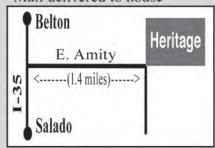


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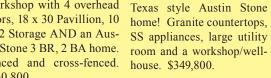
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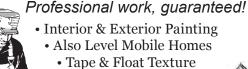
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