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Institute receives major grants for 2001 programs, outreach

The Institute for the Humanities at Salado has received four major grants for support of its operations for the fiscal year 2001. Dr. Charles Barrier, Chairman of the Institute's Development Council, announced recently.

"The Carpenter Foundation of Temple, The Joe B. and Louise P. Cook Foundation of Temple, The Brown Foundation of Houston, and the Amon Carter Foundation of Ft. Worth have all made grant awards to help meet the expenses of next year's programs," according to Barrier. "The Carpenter Foundation has granted us \$50,000. We have just received \$50,000 from The Cook Foundation which represents the first year of a three year gift of \$150,000 over a three year period. The Brown Foundation's grant was for \$50,000, and the Amon Carter grant was for \$15,000," Barrier said.

"These grants are a great boon to our programs, and will enable us to develop

some new outreach efforts as well as maintain our core programs in Central Texas," said Gary Holthaus, Executive Director of the Institute. "Although these grants will not cover our entire budget, they represent a significant step toward allowing us to reach our program and administrative goals for next year."

The Institute for the Humanities is a private, non-profit educational agency that conducts seminars and lecture programs for a Central Texas audience. Our goal is to create a civil dialogue between Texans and internationally known humanists, artists, scientists, writers and other thinkers. "The Institute also seeks to play a useful role in the Temple, Belton, Killeen and Salado communities," said Holthaus, "and is working to establish cooperative ties with other regional cultural and arts organizations."

The Spring series for 2001 features a new theme, "Nature and Spirit." "We're

delighted with the lineup of speakers for next year," said Marc Nigliazzo, President of Temple College and Chair of the Institute's Board of Trustees, "and are especially grateful to these foundations for their support."

The Spring seminar and lecture series will feature noted poet David Lee, Chair of the English Department at Southern Utah University; Dr. Mary Evelyn Tucker, Chair of the Department of Religion at Bucknell University; Dr. Ursula Goodenough, President of the American Association of Cell Biologists, and professor at George Washington University; and Linda Hogan, a novelist, poet and essayist who teaches at the University of Colorado at Boulder.

"We'll be looking at our human relationship of nature from the varied perspective of religion, science, and literature," Holthaus reported.



First Baptist Church mission members survey the surroundings at the Blue Hill community, where they worked earlier this month. At left, everywhere the mission members went, they were greeted and surrounded by the Haitian children. See story and photos, page 4B.

Businesses announce New Year's schedules

Jan. 3 issue

Area businesses have announced their closings for New Year's Holiday.

First State Bank-Salado and Compass Bank-Salado will be closed Jan. 1.

They will resume normal business operations Jan. 2.

Clawson Disposal announces that for the week of Jan. 1 trash service will be exactly one day behind.

Salado Village Voice announces its holiday schedule.

The deadline for the Jan. 3 issue will be 5 p.m. Dec. 27. Again, all ads and pages will be ready for the printer before staff goes home for the New Year's holiday 5 p.m. Dec. 29.

The newspaper office will be closed Jan. 1, but the newspaper will still be printed at 5 a.m. Jan. 2, so the deadlines for the Jan. 3 issue will also be strictly enforced.

Happy New Year!

Investors should think 'long term' in face of current market slowdown

By VICTORIA-WRIGHT FOWLER
STAFF WRITER

As our year winds to an end, many of us begin to reflect on all the events of the year. This last year has been a bumpy road for many investors in the dot com sector. Our historic presidential election only seemed to heighten the "market" jitters.

Now as the new year approaches, some of us try to begin an investment strategy for our hard-earned dollars.

Jeffrey W. McClure, Certified Financial Planner, here, is not in the business of providing a "market" forecast, but he can provide an historical overview of the trends in the market. "Over the last 50 years the average annual rate of return of the S&P 500 Stock Index has been 13.7 percent," said McClure.

So, with a steady increase in the market, why don't we all reap the bounty of this healthy market? Many of us want to get into the game only after we have seen those around us make money. Then we become frightened and pull

out before we are able to see an increase in our portfolio, according to McClure.

George W. Bush has stated on several occasions that our economy is slowing and that we might be seeing the beginning of a recession. "I believe that he is an honest man who is just stating the truth," said McClure, adding, "that our economy is slowing so fast that in the first quarter of 2001 we might have a recession."

Anyone who remembers the recession of the '80s might be tempted to hoard their money.

Don't.

"The market is low now. If we were to get the same average return that we have gotten over the last 30 years, we would see a doubling of the value of the Dow Jones Industrial Average (DOW) every five years. At that rate, by 2010 the DOW would be at 40,000," said McClure.

Living near Austin, many Saladoans have witnessed first hand the silicon wealth that the stock market has generated. Recently, many of those stocks have taken a nose dive. "This

is because the money generated in stocks is used to drive a company (like buildings and equipment) but in many dot com businesses, the money was used to pay salaries and wages. This is not a legitimate liquidity investment. It violates principle," said McClure.

Many people may fear doing anything with their money other than simply placing it in a "safe guarded" bank account. Nothing wrong with this; however, you needn't be a day trader in order to make your money work harder for you.

McClure doesn't watch all those daily ups and downs of the market. Instead, he looks at charts and grids with trends (years and decades) of the NASDAQ Composite. A chart that McClure uses is on a logarithmic scale (this chart allows a constant compound rate to appear on a straight line). The issue on the chart is not so much that the NASDAQ is "down" or "up" at a particular time of the year. The slope of the 10-year chart looks startlingly similar to

the five-year chart, according to McClure.

"There's a high probability that the market will rebound next year," said McClure.

McClure has several suggestions:

- Be diversified (don't have all your investments in one market).

- Have good managers manage your money. Try to get at least five completely different managers.

- Minimize your taxes.

- Have a plan. This is very similar to a business plan.

"We (United States of America) live in the most productive economy in the history of the world. Texas is an incredible place to live. This is why so many companies are relocating here. Our economy is very strong," said McClure.

Given that we have a stable economy, any downturns in the market don't seem to be long-lasting.

To take advantage of this, investors should develop a plan to make their money work for them. Develop a plan and make your money work for you.

Sheriff investigates daytime burglaries

Bell County's Sheriff's Department is investigating recent daytime burglaries in the Salado area.

Sheriff's deputies are investigating two burglaries of habitations. The first occurred sometime between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Dec. 15 at a residence on West Amity Rd. Items valued at over \$2,300 were stolen from the residence.

The second burglary of a habitation occurred between 8:45 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. Dec. 17 at a home on FM 2484. Items valued at

\$3,700 were taken from the home.

Deputies are also investigating break-ins at two area churches located west of Salado on FM 2484.

Salado citizens should be careful to lock all doors and windows when they leave their homes, even if it is just for a few hours.

If you are going to be out of town for any extended time, please call 933-5412 or 947-8300 to have a close watch put on your home.

FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



New Year offers new opportunities to work for good of families and nation

CHET EDWARDS
CONGRESSMAN

Many political experts are predicting that partisan fighting will be fierce and legislative gridlock a fact of life in Washington next year.

The belief is that the bitter presidential race and small majorities in the House and Senate are the perfect ingredients for partisan posturing and non-stop bickering between members of the two political parties.

I believe that Congress, both Democratic and Republican members, should look for ways to work together, and not for ways to tear each other apart.

Much work needs to be done next year. Our country cannot afford more partisan fighting while important issues are left simmering on the back burner.

For example, the growing federal budget surplus presents a unique opportunity for our country to meet its fiscal obligations. The surplus must be used to help pay down the national debt and strengthen Social Security and Medicare. Congress can ensure this happens by passing a Social Security "lockbox" bill that guarantees all Social Security surpluses will stay in the system and not be spent on other programs and services.

Paying down the \$5.6 trillion national debt means the federal government will need to borrow less to pay interest charges. When the government gets out of the

money borrowing business then interest rates drop. Lower interest rates mean it's cheaper to borrow money to buy a house, start a business, send a child to school or pay other expenses.

A reduction in the federal debt translates into fewer dollars being pumped into interest payments which amount to almost \$1,000 for every man, woman and child in the country. Future interests savings can then be used to fund education, strengthen defense, protect Social Security and Medicare, and provide a permanent tax cut.

Congress also has a special responsibility to our men and women in the armed services. Our country still faces many threats and maintaining the best trained and equipped military in the world is critical. Our military families who sacrifice so much also deserve quality housing, health care and education opportunities for them and their children.

A key priority should be an open and honest debate on how to provide a tax cut for middle-class families that does not drive up the national debt. Congress must not use tax cuts as a political weapon, but as a way to help average middle-class families keep more of what they earn.

The challenges facing Congress next year are great. I believe that Congress should stop fighting and concentrate on fixing the problems that hardworking families are facing and deserve to have solved.

New Year crystal balling haunts prognosticating political scribe

Despite the interminably long campaign season we just suffered through, it is still difficult to realize that within a few days we shall face the end of the first year of the new millennium and try to stare bravely into the unknowns of a brand new microsecond of eternity or to be less philosophical and more precise - 365 days, five hours, 49 minutes and 12 seconds that will be termed 2001.

With each new year, newspapers in general and writers in particular, try to wax wisely about the future, as this column has done over the years, with a successful prognostication rate that ranges from the puzzle, headed to the lucky.

This end of the year "Off The Record" will be no exception as we note last year's effort in which we correctly presaged an historically high campaign spending spree by both political parties during 2000; that Hillary Clinton would win the New York senate race; that Salado would take up incorporation again and this time pass it with gusto and that Governor George Bush would win his party's nomination. We also rowed against-the-tide when we opined there would be no Y2K glitch as predicted by so many of our experts.

We were wrong, but not by much, in our soothsaying when it came to a Democratic overthrow in the House of Representatives. It was close - but no cigar. The Senate surprised us when they gained Demos and ended with a 50-50 tie. Also off-base was our calamity howling about the economy, interest rates, unemployment and the stock market. Suspect we were simply a full year ahead of ourselves.

What we did not even dream about - in the depths of our divination period was an election result that took 36 days to sort out; a Supreme Court that would eventually decide the presidency; and new words such as chads, pregnant and dimpled ballots (plus a number of pointedly accurate cuss @*^#~% words) that nearly drove us round the bend. Except for that host of lawyers and other nutty types down in Florida.

NEWT EYES, BAT WINGS IN DIVINATION BREW

Now - as to 2001. We again stir the required brew of newt eyes, bat wings, chicken bones and other disgusting items needed to produce the heavy Druid type vaticinational results so necessary to produce what all happy crystal gazer must have in order to present predictions for a brand new year.

POTOMAC FEVER

The George Bush dream of a congressional "hands across the aisle" will last just about 30 days. This short honeymoon and play-nice period of adjustment between the new chief executive and the evenly divided Senate (50-50) and House (222-213) will start unraveling when the \$1.3 trillion Bush tax relief package arrives from the White House.

The "hot spurs" in both parties will also stall the social security privatization plan; prescription drug help for the elderly and even modest medicare reform. Any attempt at campaign finance reform will draw a full charge of "cut and slash" amenders from lawmakers who depend on the largess of groups that support the current vote-buying process.

THE ECONOMY

We predict that despite the near

Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



"THE LEGISLATURE WILL CONVENE ON JANUARY 9, LEAVING MANY A VILLAGE WITHOUT ITS IDIOT!"

-- MOLLY IVINS

holy and shamanic-like attitude so many folks have granted Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan, the gleaming veneer of the Fedman will begin to wear thin thanks to a missed opportunity in November and December to lower interest rates and his unnecessary verbal manipulation of the stock market at this fragile economic juncture.

It will be the economy that will take up much of the new administration's time and effort during the greater part of 2001. Naturally any recession blame will be assigned to Clinton, much like the previous eight years of a high flying economy that were never credited to the wily leader. He's apparently one of those guys who many folks "just plain don't like - no matter what!"

TEXAS LEGISLATURE

About the best we can divine with certainty about the upcoming 77th Texas Legislature, is they will come together on January 9, 2001 with a new presiding officer in the Senate; a new governor at the mansion and a Democratic controlled house of representatives. All else is worthless speculation!

Several thousand bills have been pre-filed - most of which have little merit. Plenty of interest in education but with the amount of new money available to spend, it will probably be another short-shrift-year for teacher pay hikes. If they are lucky they will get some sort of co-paid health insurance like other state employees. Standard school opening times - later in August, will probably pass since it means more bucks for business and in this day and time - profit is the leading light.

In the "Wish I Had Said That" category - we noted a wise-crack by Molly Ivins (the GOP hackle-raising writer) who wrote last week: "The dreaded legislature is almost upon us. January 9, and they'll all be in Austin, leaving many a village without its idiot."

WELCOME 2001

So much for the unskilled art of conjecture. It is end-of-the-year time and an excellent opportunity to shed the shackles of oracle foolishness and wish each reader a new year full of good health and happiness.

We have plenty to be thankful for as we go about our lives in this quiet village of ours. Our problem is we many times fail to see the good for the noisy. The kind for the grouchy. And the greatness of our fellow citizens for the (thankfully) few in number - malcontents.

So, be of good cheer, as they say (somewhere they say this) and start off 2001 with a resolution to do one kind and good deed during the year. That would amount to some 5000 positive acts in one small village during one short year! Don't doubt for a second what a fantastic impact that would make on our community and our lives!

That's -30-

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Services held Dec. 27 for Rajun Brit Owen, 14

Rajun Brit Owen age 14 of Salado, died December 23, 2000 at his home. Funeral services will be held 10 a.m., Dec. 27, at Harper-Talasek Funeral Home of Salado. Minister Edd Melton will officiate. Burial will be in Cedar Valley Cemetery west of Salado.

Rajun was born Sept. 26, 1986 in Temple, to Brit and Shannon Rauschen-

berg Owen. Rajun was a student at Salado Intermediate School.

Survivors include his parents, one sister Kegan Laramie Owen of Salado; paternal grandparents, Tommy and Jana Owen of Salado and maternal grandparents Charles and Judy Schoepf, of Mound, and Bryan and Sherazan Rauschenberg of Gatesville.

State jobless rate drops to 4.2%

Texas' seasonally adjusted unemployment rate continues to reflect the state's economic strength, with the rate dropping one-tenth of a percentage point to 4.2 percent in November.

"Sustained job growth, along with the lowest November unemployment rate in 27 years, represents continued health of the economy and abundant opportunities for Texas workers," TWC Chair Diane Rath said.

Seasonally adjusted nonagricultural jobs grew by an estimated 27,300 over the month, with annual job growth at 2.7 percent. The Nondurable Goods Manufacturing industry added 1,900 jobs in November.

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The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will conduct a public meeting to discuss proposed Safety Stops in Southern Bell and Northern Williamson Counties. This project is not associated with the current proposed widening of IH 35. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 25, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. at the Salado Intermediate School Cafeteria at 550 Thomas Arnold Rd. in Salado. Prior to the formal presentation at 7:00 p.m., TxDOT staff will be available to answer questions from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in an informal setting.

All interested citizens are invited to attend this meeting and express their views. Persons interested in attending the meeting who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact Mr. John D. Moravec at (254) 867-2757 as soon as possible so that arrangements can be made. Since the public meeting will be conducted in English, any requests for language interpreters or other special communication needs should be made at least one week prior to the meeting. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

Verbal and written comments regarding the proposed project are requested. Comments may be presented either at the meeting or in writing after the meeting. Comments must be received no later than 10 days following the meeting in order to be included in the public meeting record. Written statements may be submitted to Mr. John D. Moravec, Waco District Environmental Specialist, Texas Department of Transportation, 100 South Loop Drive, Waco, TX 76704-2858 at any time on or before 5:00 p.m. Monday, February 5, 2001.



**Annual Membership Meeting
7:30 p.m. January 25, 2001
at the Salado Civic Center.**

The agenda is:

1. Read and approve minutes from the 2000 Annual Meeting.
2. Treasurer's report and adoption of the 2001 Budget.
3. Report on improvements to the water system.
4. Nomination and election of Board of Directors for all expiring terms of present directors.
5. Other Business

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Despite getting a finger in the eye on his first drive to the basket, Stephen Fewell led Salado past Rogers Dec. 19, scoring 30 points. (PHOTO BY TIM FLEISCHER)

**Salado beats rough-playing Rogers
to open district play with win**

Salado High Eagles opened district with a big win at home Dec. 19 over Rogers Eagles, who were apparently still thinking football, committing 20 team fouls on the night.

Salado took advantage of the charity shots, shooting 22 for 30 from the free throw line.

Salado opened up with a 17-7 first quarter lead, as Stephen Fewell poured on 11 of his game high 30 points.

In a high scoring second quarter, Salado held on to its lead, going to the lockers at 36-27.

The home team Eagles

gave up the lead during the third quarter, scoring just nine points. Rogers scored 19 points to take a one-point lead into the fourth quarter.

But Salado took advantage of the rough play from Rogers, shooting 6 of 8 from the charity stripe in the fourth quarter.

Jeremy Grimm, scored most of his points from the free throw line, as he was manhandled by the Rogers Eagles. He shot 9 of 10 free throws, scoring 11 points for the night.

Matt Stowell scored 6 points for the night, followed by Jacob Mirebal's 5 points and Garlen Hennig's 4 points. Aaron Gonzales

and Jared Whitefield both scored 2 and Roland Buckley had 1 point.

**SALADO JV 57
ROGERS JV 40**

After allowing Rogers JV to keep it close in the first quarter, Salado JV Eagles took control of their Dec. 19 game, extending their 12-10 lead to 28-19 at the half.

Cody Quirk, who led all Eagles with 15 points, had nine of those in the second period, during which the Eagles scored the most points, 16.

Salado added 15 in the third quarter, with Heath

Hale scoring eight of his 14 points during the quarter.

Kyle Salisbury scored six of his nine points in the third quarter, during which Salado maintained their dramatic double figure lead, winning the game 57-40.

Other JV Eagles scoring during the game were Evan Durham, 7 points; David Faber, 4 points; Wolff, 3 points; Stephen Hayes, 2 points and Wright, 1 point.

The JV Boys play again Jan. 2, traveling to Lexington with the other high school cagers.



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Lauren Mewhinney steps in to grab a long rebound while Robyn Womac, Lindsay Quirk and Whitney Taylor block out. (PHOTO BY TIM FLEISCHER)

Lady cagers sweep Rogers

Salado's Lady Eagles overcame an 11-point half-time deficit to beat the Rogers Lady Eagles 55-42 Dec. 19 to go 3-0 in district play.

Salado trailed by four points at the end of the first quarter, 12-16. Rogers held Salado to just seven points in the second quarter to extend a 30-19 lead

at the half.

Salado completely shut down the Rogers offense in the third quarter, while adding 17 points to take a 36-30 lead into the fourth quarter.

The hometown Eagles outscored Rogers 19-12 in the final quarter to win 55-42.

Robyn Womac led the scoring with 14 points, followed by Whitney Taylor's 12 points and Tessa Schreiner's 11 points.

Also scoring for Salado were Lindsay Quirk, 8 points; Lauren Mewhinney, 5 points; Julie Couchman and Meagan Joiner, 2 points each and Lindsey Pruitt, 1 point.

The varsity plays again Dec. 28-30 in the Cameron Tournament.

LADY EAGLES JV 42

ROGERS JV 17

Salado JV Lady Eagles' stingy defense held Rogers to just 4 points in the first half as the home team swept the visitors.

Staci York led the scor-

ing with 13 points. Heather McLaughlin followed with 11 points.

Also scoring for Salado

were Michelle Houston and Amanda Tumey, 7 points each and Kim Dillon, 4 points.

Correction



Robyn Womac was named the Tournament Most Valuable Player during the Academy Tournament. This was left off of last week's photo caption. Congratulations, Robyn!

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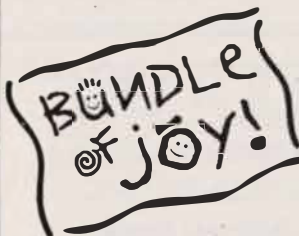
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Church News

Bell County part of pilot project for "Jesus Video for Texas"

The "Jesus Video for Texas" Project has come to Bell County. A statewide effort of Campus Crusade and partnership churches of

all religious denominations is seeking to place a video of the life of Jesus in every home in Texas during the year 2001. The video has already been seen by nearly four billion people around the world and is available in many languages.

Pastors and lay people from throughout Bell County have formed a team to provide direction to the project as it takes place here. Approximately sixty churches are currently involved with more being added weekly. The Co-coordinators for Bell County are Elwyn Johnston, pastor of Bethel Assembly of God in Temple, and Andy Davis, pastor of First Baptist

Church in Belton. Several committees responsible for publicity, financing, enlistment, prayer support, and follow-up support them.

Bell County is part of the pilot project that will include zip codes from Hillsboro to San Marcos and surrounding cities and counties. This first mailing will take place in late March or early April to coincide with the celebration of Easter.

Leaders of the US Postal Service in Texas have said this will be the largest mailing they will have distributed. The company duplicating the videotapes is working overtime to have the tapes ready for delivery. With over 8 million

postal addresses in Texas the cost of this project will exceed twenty million dollars. Funds for the project are being provided by supporting churches and individuals who believe this effort will have a strong and life-changing impact on multitudes of individuals and communities, as well as the state of Texas as a whole.

The Bell County Coordinating Committee for the Jesus Video Project invites churches and individuals to participate through prayer and financial support of the project. And all residents of Bell County are encouraged to anticipate the arrival of their video and to watch it with their family.

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* 7:30 p.m. • W.O.W. for Youth

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Opal Irene Dulaney passes away at age 87

Services for Opal Irene Wilson Dulaney, age 87 of Belton were held Dec. 23 in the Heartfield Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Bobby Baggett and Minister Joe Baisden officiating. Burial followed in the North Belton Cemetery.

Mrs. Dulaney died Dec. 21 in a Belton nursing home.

She was born on June 7, 1913 to John S. and Carrie Lou Smith Wilson of the Summers Mill Community. She was a descendant from the Pioneer Bell

County family of S. S. Wilson. Mrs. Dulaney attended school in Holland. She married Marvin A. Dulaney on May 2, 1930 in Durant, Okla. In 1950, they moved from Salado to Belton, where they owned and operated retail businesses. In recent years, she had been active in the Belton Senior Center and in volunteering in a nursing home. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Belton since 1950. She was preceded in death by her husband

on Oct. 1967 and by a daughter, Carolyn Dulaney Doyal in 1970.

She is survived by a son, John Rance Dulaney and his wife, Janie; and a daughter Betty Crowson and her husband Jack, all of Belton; a sister Jessie L. Ferrell of Temple; five grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, Memorials may be made to Vistacare Family Hospice at 819 S. 5th, Temple, TX 76504 or to the charity of your choice.

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New Year's Eve services to be held at Salado United Methodist Church

New Year's Eve Services

The Salado United Methodist Church will usher in the New Year with the services in the Sanctuary beginning 11 p.m. Following the ser-

vice, everyone is invited to the Fellowship Hall for the traditional black-eyed peas and cornbread. Sunday Morning Services will be held at the regular times 8, 9, and 11 a.m.

Methodist Home

December is Methodist Home month. The Methodist Home is one of the foremost institutes in Texas, located in Waco it cares for more than 350 children. Many of the children and youth come from a turbulent home environment. The Methodist Home gives them the opportunity to experience a caring family environment and helps them grow into responsible adults. Last year the FUNraiser had the opportunity to visit the Boys Ranch, a home, ranch, and school for boys located north of Waco. They saw first hand what happens when youth are given the opportunity to succeed. This year The Salado United Methodist Church offering totaled \$3,500. This money is used to support the Home throughout the year. Jan. 28, children from the Methodist Home will be guests of SUMC at the 9 and 11 a.m. Worship Services.

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New Year's Eve celebration serves as the Junior League fundraiser for 2001

If you don't have plans for New Year's don't worry, because the Junior League of Bell County wants you to join in the celebration. The New Year's Eve Celebration serves as the Junior League's fundraising efforts for the next year, and all the money raised during the event goes back into Bell county. The money goes to support projects from such groups as Healthy Families, the Child Advocacy Center, The Treehouse, Cedar Crest Foundation and CASA.

This year's celebration will be held from 8:30 p.m. 1a.m. at the Frank Mayborn Center in Temple. It is open to anyone and tickets are \$50 per person. Their will be dancing, a live band, silent and live auctions, door prizes and raffles, and a midnight champagne toast. The drawing for the *Feel Like a Millionaire* raffle will



Back row: Libba Skarnulis, Brook Hughes. Front row: Jennifer Smith, Tina Smith (President), Shawn Simmonds (President Elect), and Terri Tepera

also be held at the end of the evening. The winning package includes everything from spa treatments to pet care, dining to shopping, mundane errands done for you to auto care, house maintenance or entertainment for

children.

Many Salado residents and merchants are working hard to make this year's evening event a success. Christi Arner, Amanda Ashford, Lisa Colvin, Katie Hermann, Kady Naumann, Libba Skarnulis, Jennifer

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For information about the event or for tickets (costs - \$50 New Year's Eve Celebration and \$10 Raffle), please call Libba Skarnulis 947-9993.

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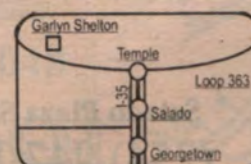
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Medical News

Diabetes - the silent killer

It is a disease that has no cure, and there are 15.7 million people in the United States who have it. Each day approximately 2,200 people are diagnosed with this disease.

The disease is diabetes and it is the seventh leading cause of death in the United States, and the physicians of Texas Medical Association wants you to be aware of the warning signs.

There are two major types of diabetes: Type I occurs when the body does not produce insulin, a hormone that is needed to convert sugar, starches, and other food into energy. Type II, referred to as non-insulin dependent, occurs when the body does not make enough, or properly use, insulin. Type II diabetes is the most common form of the disease, accounting for 90 to 95 percent of diabetes cases. The cause of diabetes is unknown, although obesity and lack of exercise appear to play roles.

As the U.S. population becomes increasingly overweight, researchers expect Type II diabetes to appear more frequently in younger children.

Type II diabetes commonly occurs in children who are:

* Overweight: as many as 80 percent may be overweight at the time of diagnosis;

* Older than 10 years of age and are in middle to late puberty, although cases of Type II diabetes in children as young as four years old have been documented;

* Have a family history of Type II diabetes;

* Are a member of a certain racial/ethnic group, specifically African Americans, Hispanics, or Native Americans

Obesity, a contributing factor to diabetes, is on the rise in the United States and is blamed for the high number of children with diabetes. In the United States about 14 percent of children age 6 to 11 and 12 percent of adolescents age 12 to 17 are overweight.

Obesity is not only caused by poor eating habits, but also by the sedate lifestyle that children are leading. Too often, they entertain themselves in front of a television or computer instead of engaging in some form of physical activity.

People with Type II

diabetes often have no symptoms at the onset of the disease although the following symptoms have been attributed to people with diabetes:

* Increased thirst and hunger;

* Increased urination;

* Weight loss in spite of increased appetite;

* Fatigue;

* Nausea;

* Vomiting;

* Frequent infections, especially bladder, vaginal, and skin;

* Blurred vision;

* Breath odor;

* Impotence in men;

* Cessation of menses in women;

* Bleeding gums;

* Ear noise or buzzing;

* Diarrhea;

* Depression;

* Confusion or Irritability;

* Cuts and bruises that are slow to heal;

* Tingling and numbness in the hands or feet.

School nurses are helping to identify early warning signs of diabetes.

According to Dr. Stanley Fisch, a Harlingen

pediatrician, "The Texas Department of Health has a program called ANTES which allows school nurses to look for early signs of diabetes much like they test school children's spines for scoliosis." By identifying early warning signs, more children are getting early treatment for a dangerous disease before it gets out of hand.

Parents need to stress good eating habits to their children. It is never too early to set them on the course of eating nutritious foods low in sugar, fat, and high in fiber. Instead of watching TV or playing on the computer, parents should also encourage their children to be physically active and play outside.

Texas Medical Association is a professional organization of more than 36,000 physician and medical student members. It is located in Austin and has 118 component county medical societies around the state. The Association represents 85 percent of the doctors of medicine licensed and residing in Texas. TMA's key objective is to improve the health of all Texans.

Four easy ways to boost energy

Invest in healthful eating habits. They can give you a "boost of juice." Try these tips:

- Eat early and often—Never underestimate the power of breakfast. It revs up your metabolism, provides nutrients and energy for your body, and helps set the pace for the rest of the day.
- Eating often (every

three to four hours) keeps blood sugar levels even and sustains your level of energy.

- Choose carbohydrates and protein—They work well together. Your body and your brain prefer foods rich in carbohydrates such as cereal, pasta, bread and rice as their source of energy. But, adding a small amount of protein to the

mix such as low-fat dairy products, legumes or lean meats, fish or poultry, slows digestion and makes the energy from carbohydrates last longer.

- Select foods filled with vitamins and minerals—Too little of certain vitamins or minerals can affect energy because many help turn the food you eat into fuel.

• Drink wisely—Water is one of the best beverages for you. Your body depends on six to eight glasses of it a day to turn the food you eat into energy, and to wash out waste products that cause fatigue.

A Great Start Toward Total Nutrition—For the best boost, stick with a healthful diet and a 15-minute walk each day.



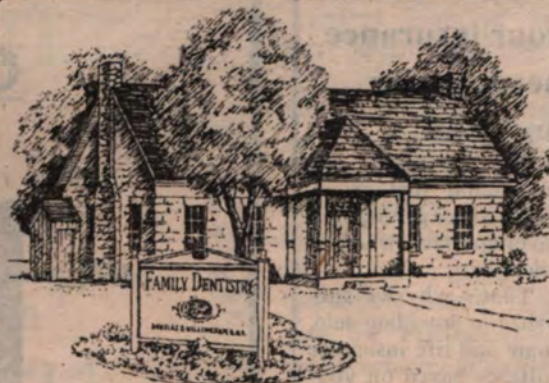
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New perspectives on caffeine and headache

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Caffeine has been enjoyed by millions of people around the world for centuries. In one form or another, the average American consumes about 200 to 300mg of caffeine per day, and many say caffeine helps energize them and perform at their peak. What many people may not know is that caffeine has been used to help treat headaches for many years. Caffeine has also been added to prescription and over-the-counter pain relievers to boost their efficacy.

But how much caffeine is too much? Can people who regularly consume caffeine in the form of coffee or cola still use a "caffeinated" pain reliever without overdoing it? To help answer questions like these, the National Headache Foundation, a nonprofit organization that provides information to headache sufferers and promotes headache research, asked a panel of medical experts to examine the published material on the relationship between

caffeine and headache. This panel agreed with published studies that show caffeine, when combined with aspirin and acetaminophen, enhances the pain-relieving power of these over-the-counter headache medicines—by up to as much as 40 percent. In addition, the panel reviewed safety data and concluded that caffeine, when used properly, is not addictive and poses no health risk for most people.

According to Jerome Goldstein, MD, director of the San Francisco Headache Clinic and chair of the expert panel, caffeine offers another benefit. "Because medications that contain caffeine work faster, there is less likelihood that people will need to take more of the medicine, and the risks of unwanted side effects are reduced."

To help consumers understand these findings, the National Headache Foundation has developed a new information brochure, "New Perspectives on Caffeine and Headache," that offers

new ways to help people understand the relationship between caffeine and headache and help them make a well-informed decision about treatment. Consumers can also learn ways to measure their caffeine consumption and gain a better understanding of the role caffeine plays in treating headaches.

"We wanted to bring consumers the opinions of experts to help them make the right decisions about treating their headaches," says Suzanne Simons, executive director of the National Headache Foundation. "Our hope is that the findings of this panel and the information in the brochure will help eliminate any confusion headache sufferers may have regarding what triggers their headaches and how to treat them."

The "New Perspectives on Caffeine and Headache" brochure addresses the science behind caffeine's headache-fighting properties. By increasing the production of stomach

acid, caffeine helps the body absorb headache medicines more quickly. Caffeine also constricts certain blood vessels, which reduces blood flow and eases pressure associated with certain headaches, such as painful migraines. The brochure offers a quiz that helps people determine how much caffeine they consume on a daily basis, a list of the most common sources of caffeine and a chart to gain a better idea of their weekly caffeine intake. Common questions about caffeine are also addressed, such as:

- Can I become addicted to caffeine?
- What happens when I stop consuming caffeine?
- How can I avoid rebound headaches and caffeine withdrawal?

To order a copy of "New Perspectives on Caffeine and Headache", call the National Headache Foundation at 1-888-NHF-5552.

Household cleaning leads to peace of mind

According to Dr. Georgia Witkin, Ph.D., author of *The Female Stress Syndrome Survival Guide*, with the right attitude and approach, household cleaning can actually lower stress by creating an atmosphere of order and organization.

Most Americans seem to agree with Dr. Witkin. According to a recent poll 29% percent of Americans feel peace of mind and more organized when their house is clean.

So what are the best ways to experience the therapeutic benefits of clean-

ing? Based on Dr. Witkin's research:

- Order on the outside leads to order on the inside. A clean home can lead to a sense of order and peace of mind. Instead of approaching cleaning as a chore, think of it as a therapeutic project that can actually reduce stress and remove feelings of uneasiness.

- Time to get physical. Cleaning can be a great way to burn calories without time on the treadmill. Sustained aerobic exercise reduces stress-stimulated adrenaline, gives you a sense of accomplishment

and leaves your muscles relaxed.

- Get in the groove. Turn on the CD player to music faster than your heartbeat (seventy-two beats per minute). The music not only makes the cleaning process more fun and enjoyable, working to the beat may actually help you keep up a faster pace!

- Make it a fast fix for stress. Cleaning or organize a specific part of the home in one burst can provide a quick therapy for stress. The immediate results make you feel more in control, and when your sense of control

goes up, stress levels go down.

- Choose smart cleaning partners. Choose a few cleaning tools that are versatile and reliable and that work with you as a partner to get the job done right.

- Don't be selfish about cleaning. Sharing a home should mean sharing the cleaning responsibilities. By getting in the habit of cleaning together, the chores will get done much faster, the kids will learn responsibility and you won't be exhausted.

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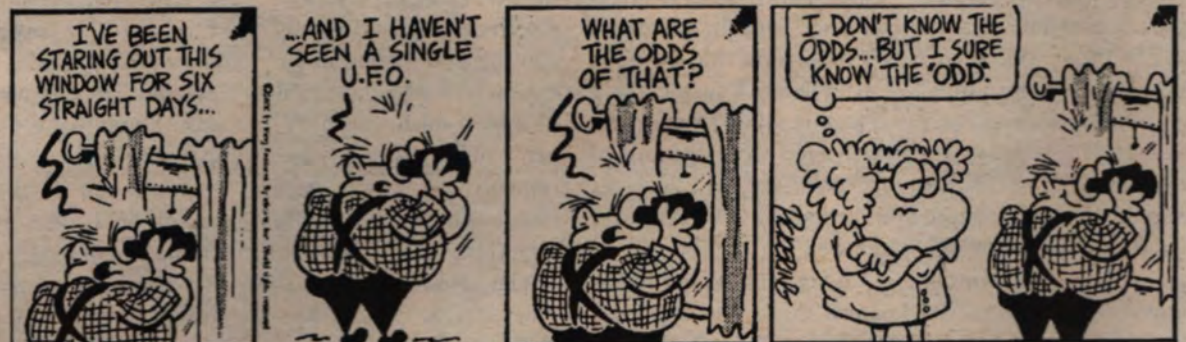
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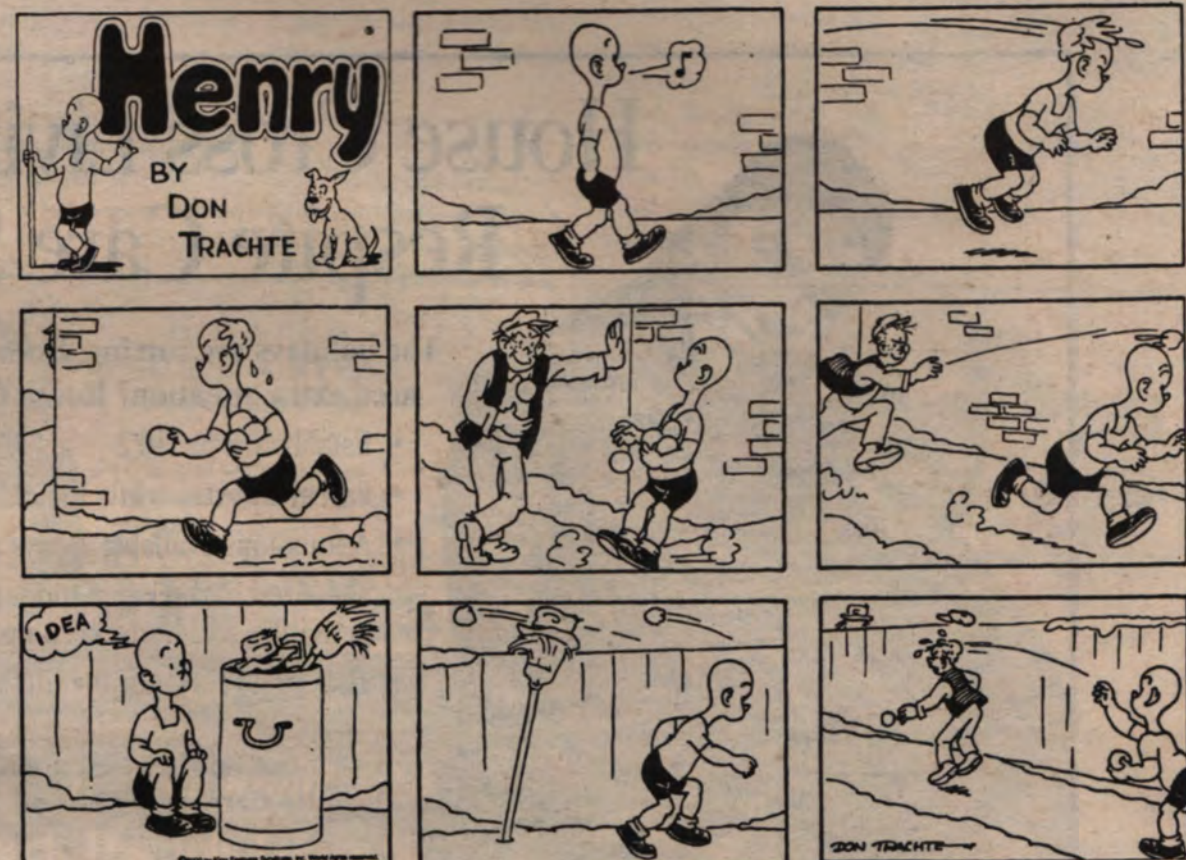
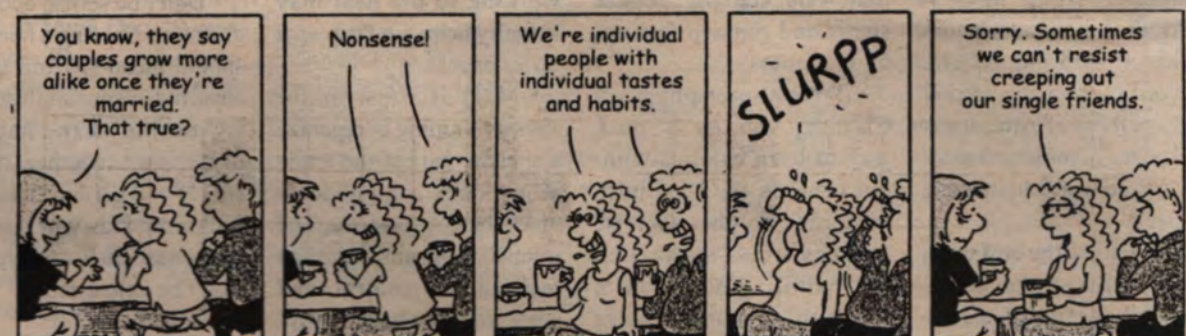
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by Terri Davis



 Dogs are assets to candidates, and the feeling seems to be engendered that if a dog loves the candidate, he can't be all that bad.

 —Dick Gregory

Super Crossword

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- 1 Composer Schirrin
- 5 Nom de crime?
- 10 Theatrical Joseph
- 14 Exclude
- 19 Way off base?
- 20 Mete out the mine-stone
- 21 "God's Little —" ('58 film)
- 22 Lose one's tail?
- 23 English talk-show host
- 25 "The Alamo" actor
- 27 Kitchen utensil
- 28 Arboreal animal
- 30 Jai —
- 31 Trombonist Winding
- 32 Took a shot at
- 34 Salve
- 37 Chinese principle
- 38 Fit for farming
- 42 "Ligeia" author
- 43 Conductor Jeffrey
- 45 Thurman of "Final Analysis"
- 48 Southern staple

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- 50 PC key
- 52 Make wine divine
- 55 Drives and drives?
- 58 '87 Warren Beatty film
- 60 Word game
- 65 Ol' Blue Eyes' birthplace
- 67 Church area
- 68 Apple variety
- 69 Mauna —
- 70 Coeur d'—, ID
- 71 Skater Midori
- 72 Actress Nell
- 73 "The King and I" refrain
- 74 Subordinate to
- 75 "It Was a Good Day" rapper
- 78 Pithy
- 80 Hazel's boss
- 81 Add color
- 83 Quiet — mouse
- 84 Jeweler's weight
- 85 Novelist Kobo
- 86 "— homo"
- 87 Neighbor of Neb.
- 88 Author France

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- 91 Film site
- 93 Forceful
- 95 Neiman or Anderson
- 96 — Dinh Diem
- 97 Broadway letters
- 99 Director von Stroheim
- 101 Curly poker?
- 102 Singer Wooley
- 106 TV's "My — Dads"
- 108 Swift savages
- 111 — Cob, CT
- 114 Strauss opera
- 117 Japanese porcelain
- 120 Recite a soliloquy
- 121 Pants measurement
- 122 Addis —
- 126 Mythical weeper
- 128 "Poetry Man" singer
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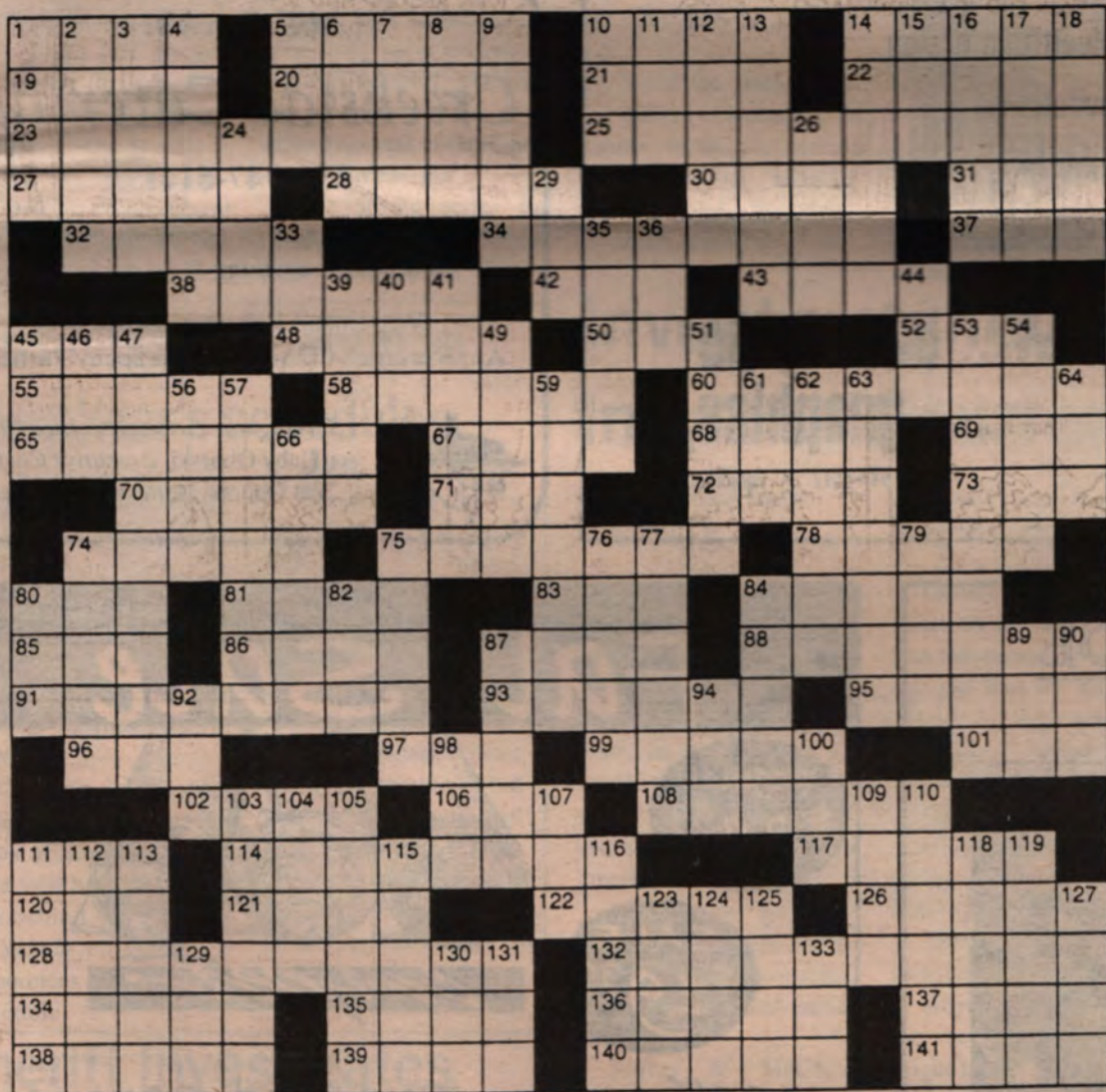
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- 7 Matinee —
- 8 As well
- 9 Brief brawl
- 10 Part of PST
- 11 Cologne cry
- 12 Paris' pop
- 13 Small shot
- 14 One of the Clintons
- 15 Yalie
- 16 Like some sweaters
- 17 Dwight's competition
- 18 Varnish ingredient
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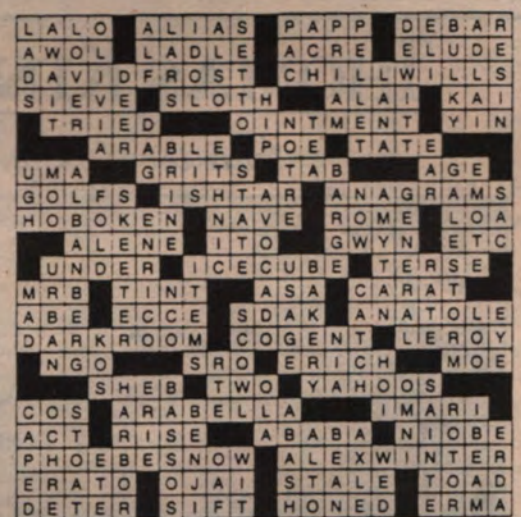
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The Scott & White virology laboratory has confirmed 69 cases of influenza A and 27 cases of influenza B from Bell, McLennan, Williamson and Brazos counties. The Texas Department of Health has reported regional influenza activity in Texas.

As of Dec. 13, the S&W virology laboratory has isolated 28 flu A and five flu B of 388 flu study viral cultures from the Temple-Belton clinics, 15 flu A and

19 flu B of 181 from Waco Clinic and 26 flu A and 3 flu B of 75 from Bryan/College Station Clinic. Any person with a febrile respiratory illness is eligible to get a throat swab for a flu study culture. Children who have received FluMist who present with a febrile respiratory illness may get a throat swab for a flu study culture as well.

As of Dec. 14, we have enrolled 4,241 children in the "Control of Epidemic

Influenza" study. All healthy children 18 months through 18 years of age who reside in Temple, Belton, (or who get primary medical care at a S & W Temple/Belton Clinic), Troy, Heidenheimer, Little River/Academy, Holland, Rogers and Salado are eligible for the study. Children with mild intermittent asthma who are not on daily or every other day medications may also be eligible.

Children who have had other vaccines have to wait two weeks after inactivated and one month after a live vaccine before enrolling.

Influenza A and B are circulating at this time. Influenza B is circulating mainly in the Waco area. RSV (Respiratory Syncytial Virus) activity is mild so far. We are also seeing adenovirus infections sporadically.

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Cowboy's contest ends with 11 kids winning bicycles

The 2000 Cowboy's Bar B Q Coloring Contest is over and there is no recount! Ten lucky kids won bicycles from Target. They were presented with their bikes on Dec. 21 at an Ice Cream Social at Cowboy's.

The winners are: Kory Allen, Kristina Turner, Bailey Haire, Samantha Chick, Kyle Bradley, Paul Chavez, Carolina Payne, Mindy Dunahoo, Clayton Fuller and Derrick Spradlin. Several Cowboy's related kids entered the contest and one winner was chosen from that group and that was Dylan Provence! So really there were 11 winners this year. Six of the winners are from Salado, one from Temple,

and four are from Belton. Entries came from as far away as Kansas, California and Michigan.

There were hundreds of entries and many of them were just outstanding. Thanks to everyone that entered. The voting was difficult and each Cowboy employee took their responsibility seriously. Many thanks to Target, the *Salado Village Voice*, the Administration at Salado Elementary and Middle School for all their help and support in this fun event! And most of all thanks to the Parents for their support and encouragement to all the contestants!

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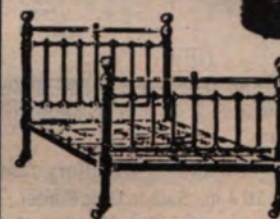
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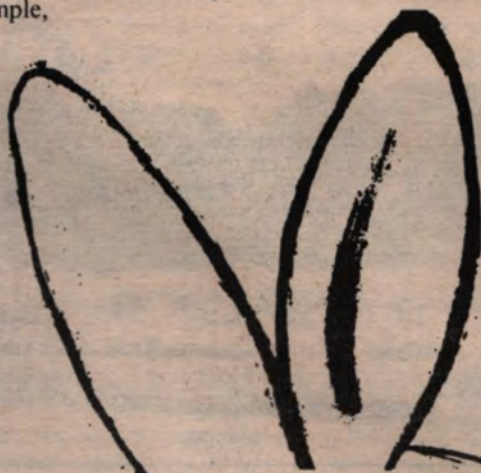
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Monday Club: 1st Mon., 2 p.m., Salado United Methodist Church.

Salado Chamber of Commerce Board: 2nd Mon., 6 p.m., at Civic Center.

Salado I.S.D. Board of Trustees: 3rd Mon. at 6 p.m., at Salado Civic Center.

Salado Library District Board: 4th Mon. at 5 p.m., at Salado Public Library.

Salado Masonic Lodge #296: 8 p.m. on the Mon. on or before the full moon.

Salado Village Artist Quilters meet from 1-4 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays in the Salado Village Artist Building which is located behind the Civic Center.

Storytime: 11-11:30 a.m. every Monday at the Salado Public Library for preschool age children. (ages 3-5)

Salado 4-H Club: 7 p.m. first Monday of each month at the Civic Center

Tuesdays

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

Salado FFA meeting: First Tuesday at 7 p.m. at SHS ag shop.

Salado Village Artists: First Tuesday at 10 a.m. at Salado Art Center.

Yoga Classes: 6:45 p.m., Salado United Methodist Fellowship Hall.

Salado Family Relief Fund: 2nd Tues. 1 p.m. Salado Intermediate School in the Community Schools room #209 in west wing.

Chisholm Trail Chapter ABWA: 2nd Tues. 6:30 p.m. Texas House, 310 Van Bibber Lane. For more info. call 947-3617

Salado High School Band Boosters: 2nd Tues. of every month 7 p.m. in the Band Hall.

Wednesday

Salado Creekside Cloggers: 6:30-8:30 p.m., Info: 947-5845.

Salado Youth Baseball Association meetings 6:30 p.m. at Civic Center.

Lions Club: 2nd & 4th Wed. at 11:30 a.m., Creekside. Board meets 2nd Wed. 8 a.m.

Mill Creek Community Association Board: 3rd Wed., 6 p.m., at Civic Center

Thursdays

Salado Business Association: 1st Thursday, 8:45 a.m. Salado Civic Center

Salado Ladies Auxiliary: 2nd Thurs., 10 a.m., Salado Civic Center

Salado Water Corporation Board of Directors: 3rd Thurs., 4 p.m. Corporation office.

Salado Historical Society board of directors, 3rd Thursday, 7 p.m. Salado Civic Center.

First Baptist Church, study of Covenant, 9 a.m. beginning Aug. 31 in the Fellowship Hall.

PTC, (SIS Parent Teacher Co-op) meets the 2nd Thursday 3:45 p.m. in Room 101 at SIS.

Saturdays

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Early voting on City Sales Tax held at the Salado Civic Center. (Residents of Incorporated Village are eligible to vote.)

January 7

First Baptist Church dedication 3 p.m.

January 20

Election Day - City Sales Tax. (Residents of Incorporated Village are eligible to vote.)

Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet at the Salado Intermediate School. For more information call 947-5040.

January 25

Salado Water Supply Corporation holds its annual membership meeting 7:30 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

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Thomas Arnold Elementary kindergarten students welcomed Salado's mayor Charlotte Douglass. Douglass read a Christmas story to Mrs. Keeton's and Mrs. Owen's kindergarten classes on Dec. 14

UMHB gets \$12,500 grant for academic center

The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor received \$12,500 from the Foresight Foundation of Temple to fund year three of a four-year pledge or the construction of the Parker Academic Center.

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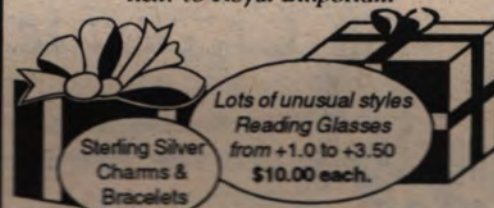


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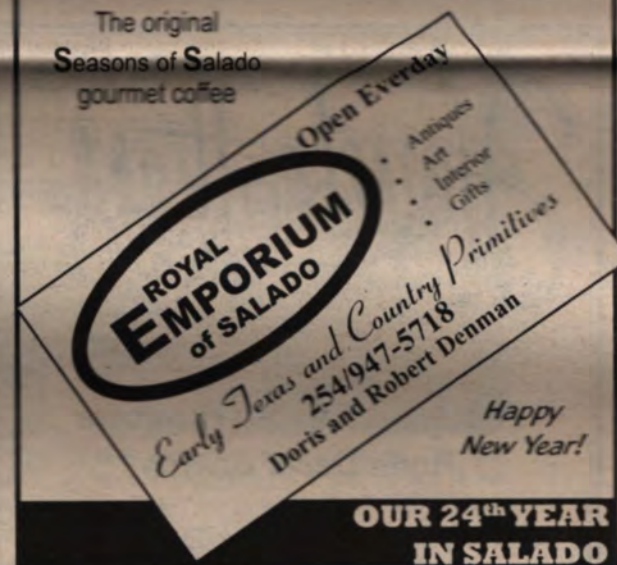
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Dr. Heather Fewell listens to a child's breathing during her work at the medical clinic in Haiti.

Baptists build more than church during recent mission to Haiti

By TIM FLEISCHER
 EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

One of the first things Rev. Brian Dunks noticed after landing at the airport in Florida was a five storey, climate-controlled storage building.

Seeing this sticks with Rev. Dunks because he had just spent a week in Haiti as part of a nine-member mission team from First Baptist Church of Salado.

"They (the Haitians he worked with) couldn't fathom it," Rev. Dunks said of the climate controlled storage building, "because they have the clothes on their backs and little else. We have so much..."

"I want a deeper appreciation for what I do have," he said, adding that working in a country like Haiti "changes the way you look at life."

To hear those who left Salado for a week to help build a new church for the Blue Hill congregation of

200, the mission was much more than just building with bricks and mortar.

The mission built a relationship between two congregations that are seemingly so different, but have much more in common than anyone could have imagined.

"We're building a church, too," Rev. Dunks told *Salado Village Voice* about the similarities between the two congregations. "We have looked forward to finishing it, just as they have. We have planned it for years, just as they have."

"We can see what a worship center does for our community," he said. "We really see what it does for them and we really want to see them complete it."

While the Salado Baptists want to help their brothers in Christ, they have to be careful not to do the work for them.

"There is a real prob-



Dave Teer is speckled with mortar and covered with a smile during his days at work

lem of dependency in Haiti," Rev. Dunks said. "In Cap-Haitien, eighty-five percent of the people

do not have a job. So, we want to help them, but not do it all for them."

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Haitian church members are shown above working on the new church building, which is being constructed around the walls of the current sanctuary. It has taken the congregation five years to get the foundation and walls completed. (Photos courtesy of Dr. Heather Fewell and Dave Teer)

Mission to Haiti

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Rev. Dunks said that he could see pride in the eyes of the Haitians for the work they were doing. "Their masons laid the blocks," he said. "We did the grunt work like carrying mortar and blocks."

And mixing mortar by hand because there was no electricity during the day. Rev. Dunks recalled that they had electricity for about five hours a day, two in the morning and three at night.

"We had that much electricity because the mission had its own generator," he said. "Electricity is supplied by the government and they are lucky to have it for two or three hours a week."

Rev. Dunks recalled when the lights came on while the group visited Cap-Haitien, a city of about 150,000 people.

"You could hear this roar of cheers when they came on," he said. And when they went out again, "you could hear this big, collective sigh of disappointment," he said.

Haitians have a surplus of disappointment. What they need, Rev. Dunks said, is hope.

Which is what the Salado congregation also helped to build for the Blue Hill Baptists.

"It took them five years to build the foundation and walls up to the windows,"

Rev. Dunks said. "When we left, they had finished the walls. All that's left is the roof."

Which is what Rev. Dunks and the other members of the mission team hope that the Salado congregation can help with next year.

"It's going to cost about \$9,000 to put their roof on," Frank Wallace told the Salado congregation during Sunday night worship Dec. 17. "That's our goal. To send two teams to go back and do the roof. To finish the job."

"If our church does not help them put on the roof," Rev. Dunks said, "I fear that they won't ever get it

done."

Rev. Dunks and Wallace hope to continue to build on the relationship between the Salado Baptists and the mission in Haiti, headed by Wilbert and Meg Merzilus.

The trip this month also built a deeper understanding of how the Haitians live from day to day.

"You see what looks like piles of rocks dotting the landscape," Rev. Dunks said. "Those are the foundations for people's houses. Most of them are squatters because the government owns most of the property. They hope to get their homes built before the government comes along and

pushes it over."

"So, they add a few blocks or boards as they get a little money," he added.

Maj. Heather Fewell, a family physician at Darnell Army Community Hospital (DACH), said she gained a better understanding of how Haitians live from day to day through her work at the medical clinic.

The first day at the clinic, Dr. Fewell, Dr. Bob Tyler, a specialist in internal medicine at DACH, and his wife Lea Ann Tyler, a registered nurse, saw over 105 patients.

Dr. Fewell said she saw

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Then he got out his jaw harp and made it sound like a cross between an outback didgeridoo and an electronic synthesizer. Then he played bones.

The highlight of the performance to me was his lightning-fast tapping on the washboard. It had a flat piece of wood and a tin cup built into the bottom of it. He wore thimbles on his fingers to amplify the sound. Wow!

He also played banjo, harmonica and steel guitar. He sang songs and told

jokes and stories.

His name is David Holt. He was born in Gatesville, Texas and now lives in North Carolina. For thirty years, he has interviewed folk musicians in the Appalachian mountains and recorded their music and their techniques. In doing so, he has become a one of a kind entertainer.

He performs somewhere in the world 220 times a year. When I saw him in Salado, where his parents live, he had just returned from the southern tip of South America where he was doing a tour for the state department. The week before that, he was in Alaska.

He has done some 95 shows for Public Television and has been the host of the Riverwalk Jazz show on Public Radio for thirteen years. He has won two

Grammy Awards and been nominated for others. He has recorded numerous cassettes and CD's of his music and storytelling. His documentary interviews with mountain people are in the Library of Congress.

When the family moved to California while David was growing up, he and his brother formed a dance band. David was hooked on music, but majored in biology in college because most of the men in his family were professional people. But David's pull toward music would not let him go and we're all better off for that. His type of entertaining is refreshing.

He's fun to watch. I had no idea 40 minutes had gone by during the first half of his performance.

David stays home the first part of the week, travels to entertainment

venues Thursday through Sunday. His son is a computer whiz.

Sometimes his father, a retired engineer, joins David on stage and plays bones with him. His wife Ginny helps him. She has managed to get his books, tapes and CD's published and into the pipeline toward major awards. She sells his tapes and writings at his performances.

Did I say that David wears taps on his shoes and taps out rhythm with his feet while he's slapping himself, clapping his hands, playing the harmonica and singing? He's a percussionist of the first order.

I'm seriously considering taking up the washboard and jaw harp.



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Pieces made in Europe and never exported to the United States were often overlooked by American collectors, because the American eye was not trained to know quality. Early 20th century wares made in Holland that are not traditional blue-and-white delft are often overlooked.

Artists with original ideas were making modern pieces similar to the Scandinavian, Italian and American wares of the time. Artists like Adolf le Comte, Bert Nienhuis, William Brouwer and Christian J. Van der Hoef designed pieces that they signed with their own names as well as the factory name. Most collectors and dealers in the United States do not recognize these pieces, but they command high prices in Europe.

Q: I understand that old TV sets are collectible. Mine is a Philco table model with a 17-inch swivel

screen that sits on top of a cream colored metal tuner. There's a small clock timer and tuning dial on the right side of the perforated metal grille. Can you tell me how old my television is? What is it worth?

A: Your black-and-white TV is a Philco Predicta model made in 1959. Its space age design makes it popular among today's collectors. The clock worked as a timer that could turn the set on and off automatically. Your set would sell for about \$300 today, even if it does not work. If it works, its price would double.

Q: I inherited a Windsor chair 20 years ago. It is marked with the name of the maker, Nichols & Stone Co. Do you know when and where the company worked?

A: Nichols Brothers Chair Co. was founded in Westminister, Mass., in 1857. After a merger in 1894, the firm became Nichols & Stone Co. It is still in business in Gardner, Mass., making Windsor-style Colonial Revival chairs.

The following recipe was taken from the cookbook "Salado Country Cooking." It was sponsored by the members and friends of the Monday Club from the Salado United Methodist Church.

Hot Buttered Rum

Denise Stringfield

4 broken cinnamon sticks
1 tsp. whole allspice
1 tsp. whole cloves
7 c. apple juice
1/3 c. packed brown sugar
Butter (not margarine)
1 c. rum

Tie cinnamon, allspice and cloves in spice bag or cheesecloth. In crockpot, combine spicebag, juice, rum and brown sugar. Cover. Cook on low heat for 3 to 4 hours. Discard spice bag. Ladle hot punch into cups. Floats 1/2 teaspoon butter on top of the cider in each cup. Yield: 10 (6 oz) servings.

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Some of the participating Salado businesses are: Christy's of Salado, Classics on Main, Accents of Salado, Stanford Court, Gregory's, Horse Feathers, Main Street Place, The Store in Old Town Salado, Schoepf's Old Time Pit Bar-B-Que, The Range at

the Barton House, Mud Pies Pottery, Sir Wigglesworth's, The Mansion of Salado, CIO... A Unique Ladies Boutique, Royal Emporium of Salado, The Village Pharmacy, Salado Galleries, Passions in Southern Comforts, Magnolias, FSG Fine Jewelry, Angelic Herbs, Charlotte's of Salado, Heirlooms, Susan Marie's, Texan by Design, Bundle of Joy and Royal Street Provisions Country Inn.

The winning package includes everything from spa treatments to pet care, dining to shopping, mundane errands done for you to auto care, house maintenance or entertainment for children. Libba Skarnulis, a Junior League of Bell County committee member said, "This is one of the best raffle packages I've

seen. The cities of Temple, Belton, Killeen and Salado have truly come together to support this project. We hope to sell as many tickets as we can in order to support those organizations in Bell County that serve children who have been neglected and abused."

Presence is not required to win. Final drawing held on Dec. 31, 2000 during the 3rd Annual New Year's Eve Celebration - Lone Star Legacy - at the Frank Mayborn Center.

For tickets to the event or for raffle tickets call Libba at 947-9993.

The cost for the Feel Like a Millionaire Raffle tickets are \$10 each. Tickets may also be found at Bundle of Joy, The Range at the Barton House, Charlotte's of Salado and Christy's of Salado.

IRS small business seminar set for January

The IRS announces a FREE Small Business Seminar in Austin. It is co-sponsored by the Small Business Development Center.

The Small Business Income Tax Seminar will offer this meeting at two locations 5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Jan. 16 at Murchison Community School, 3700 North Hills Drive and 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Jan. 18 at the Austin Community College, Highland Business Center, 5930 middle Fiskville Rd.

Topics include: selecting a business structure, record keeping, self employment taxes, and IRS procedures.

No reservations are required for Jan. 16 but seating is limited and available on a first come, first serve basis. Reservations for Jan. 18 are encouraged. Please call the Small Business Development Center at (512) 223-7754 to reserve your seat.

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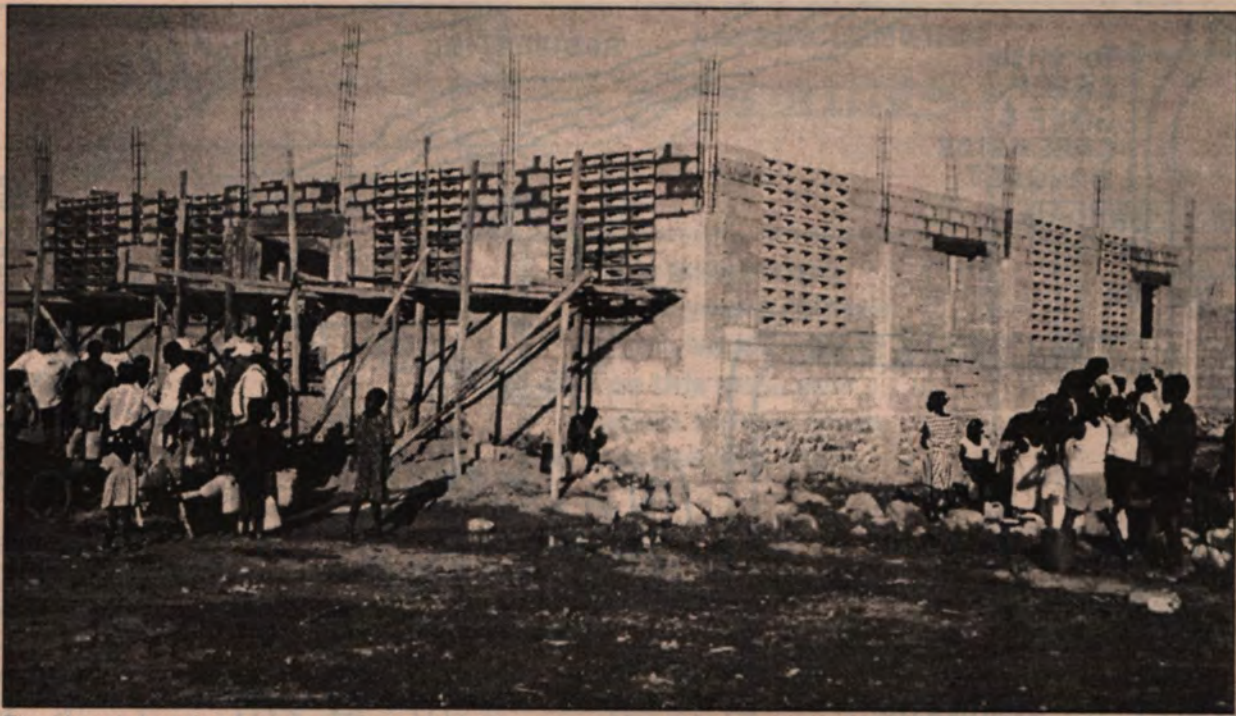
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Church builds hope

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some heartbreaking cases, including a 12-month old infant who weighed less than 10 pounds.

But a large portion of what they saw were complaints about headaches and stomach aches.

"When we get a headache or stomach ache, we run down to the drug store and get aspirin or Pepto Bismol," she told the Salado congregation Dec. 17. "They don't have that. So, the aspirin and Pepto Bismol that we sent was very needed."

Dr. Fewell said that the Haitians doctors are "very paternal. They don't tell the patient what is wrong with him or how to treat or prevent it. They just tell him to take this medicine."

Dr. Fewell was one of several who said that they were meant to go on the mission the day that Wallace presented the mission plans to the congregation.

"When Frank announced it, I just knew I had to go," Dr. Fewell said, after admitting that when she was younger, she avoided going to church whenever a missionary



Worker mix mortar by hand because there was electricity for just five hours a day.

would come to share their experience because she "didn't want to be called to do that kind of work."

But, she says now, that she looks forward to returning to Haiti. In fact, she says she is going to learn Creole so that she can better understand her patients the next time.

She hopes to bring along her husband Randy and their children Stephen and Cassie when the Salado church returns to

Haiti.

Evidently, the mission work builds relationships between individuals as well as congregations.

Rick Turk told the Salado congregation that the mission gave him a deeper appreciation for his own family.

"With as little as they have, it is all they know," he said. "You look around and see these kids that are smiling and jumping up and down in excitement. You can't believe

the love that they have in their hearts."

Turk said that it led him to think about his own family life, where sometimes the television dominates. "I remembered the time I would say, 'Not now, I'm watching my favorite show.' Over there, they have no TVs and no radios and they are blessed by it."

Team members say that they are blessed by the experience because it has given them a greater appreciation for their own lives.

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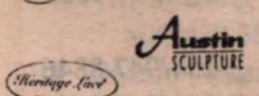
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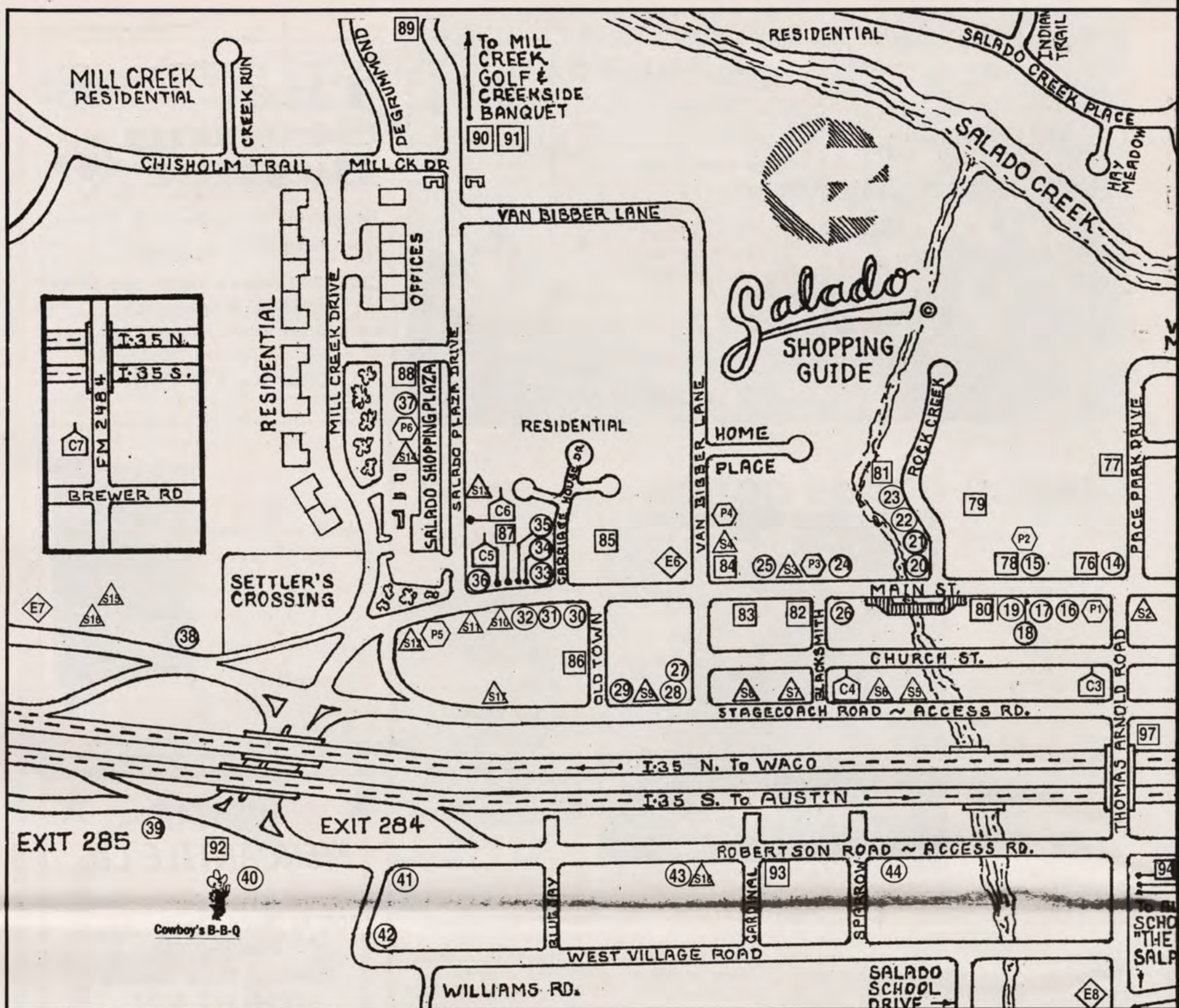


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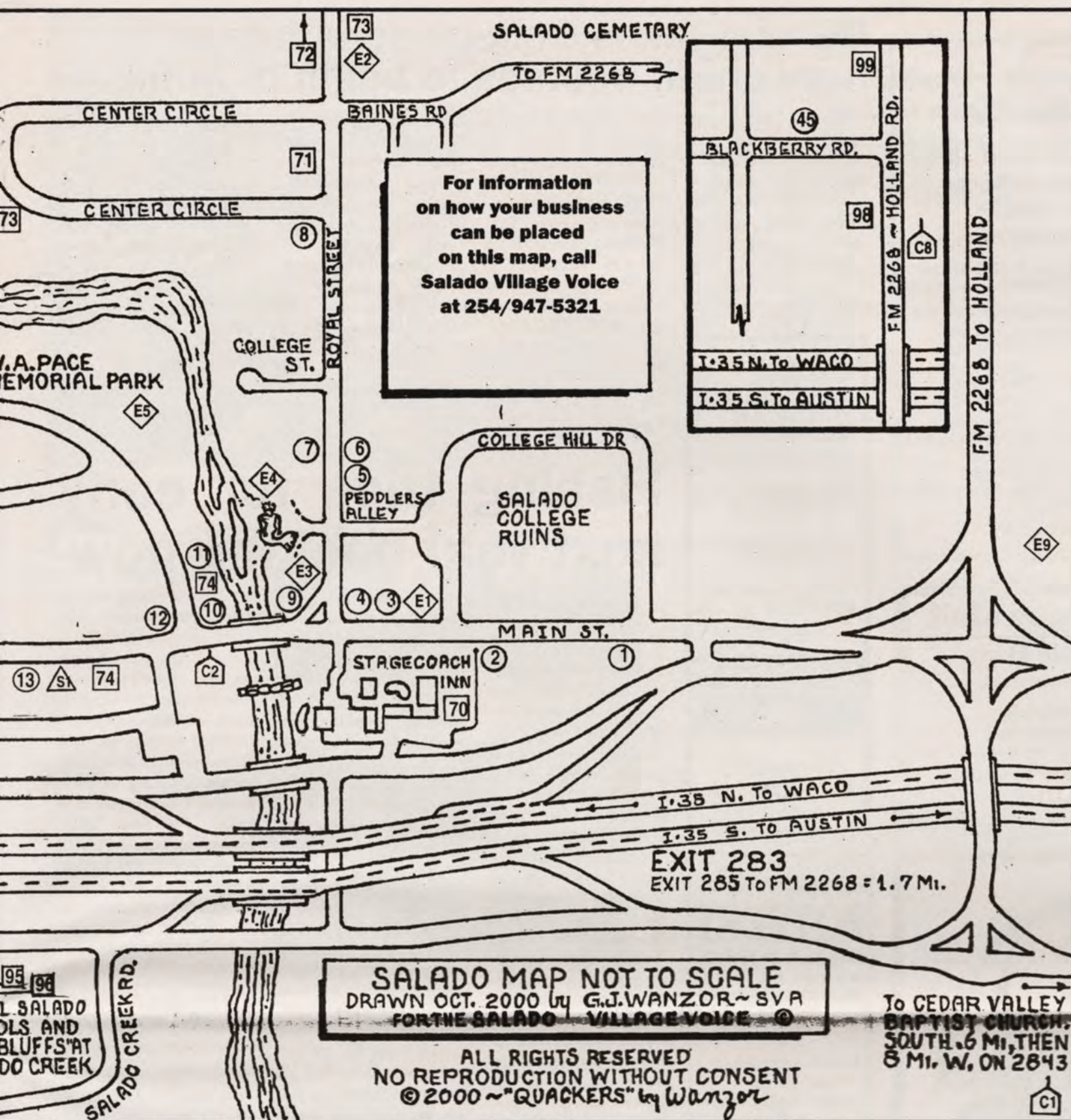
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Central Texas College Continuing Education Department will offer a variety of non-credit courses in the areas of fitness and health, dance, and special interests.

Ballroom Dance: Wed. 7-8 p.m. Jan. 10-31, cost \$30; Country & Western

Dance: T 7:30-8:15 p.m. Jan. 9-30, cost \$30; Jazzercise: T/TH 6-7 p.m. Jan. 9-30 cost \$25; CPR Healthcare Provider: Sat. 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m., cost \$35; Beginning Spanish: T/TH 7-9 p.m. Jan. 13-Feb. 3, cost \$25; Introduction to Painting: Sat. 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Jan. 13-Feb. 3, cost \$70; Candlemaking: Wed. 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Jan. 10, cost \$20; Soapmaking: TH 6-8 p.m. Jan. 11, cost \$20; Child Development

Associate Preparation: Sat. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Jan 13-April 28, cost \$250.

Space for most classes is limited, and early registration is encouraged. Course registration forms can be obtained from CTC's web site at www.ctcd.cc.tx.us. Completed registration forms can be faxed at (254) 526-1481. For more information or to register for classes, call (254) 526-1586, or stop by the Continuing Education office located in the Student Ser-

vices Building 119, Room 216 on CTC campus.

Registration for the next session of free seven week Citizenship classes will be held Jan. 10 at Cornerstone Christian Academy, 502 N. 38th St. in Killeen. Classes will be offered every Monday and Wednesday afternoon from 2:30-4:30 p.m.

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Fishing trips for early next year booking now

By Keith Warren

There are lots of Texas hunters that are receiving more than Christmas cards in their mail boxes this season. The Texas Parks & Wildlife Department is sending out violations to those hunters who have dropped off their animals at deer processing plants that are improperly tagged. According to David Cox at Granzin's Meat Market in New Braunfels, Texas Parks & Wildlife game wardens are regularly making calls and finding either the wrong tag on animals or the date is not cut out properly. So hunters beware. Make sure and tag the animals legally or don't be surprised by a Holiday Season citation in the mail.

A huge buck was taken recently in the Hill Country just north of Harper on the High Rim Mesa-Ranch. The buck scored 203 non-typical B & C with 19 scoreable points weighing 124 pounds field dressed and was 6 1/2 years old. Looking at pictures of the deer you would think it was from the Midwest instead of the Hill Country. The hunter had been registered in numerous deer contests statewide. Upon each official check in, there were those in disbelief that a buck of this caliber could

come from the Hill Country. There were even inspections made of the deer's hooves to see if they showed wear from the rocky country. The deer was in fact a true Texas whitetail that had incredible genetics. But the ingredient this deer had that many Hill Country deer don't have is proper nutrition. The ranch has been supplemental feeding deer for over five years. For questions on Legends Deer Feed call 1-888-892-4100.

Now's the time to start planning next year's first fishing trip. You can mark your calendar for mid-February through mid-March for white bass. The Sabine River in East Texas has the best quality white bass fishing I know of. Although last year was unusually slow due to low water levels, each year for the past five had been incredible. Two seasons in a row, I landed world record white bass on Valentine's Day. One year it was snowing, the next it was 60 degrees. The fishing is easy to access by boat and is full of big fish weighing from 2 - 4 pounds. With generous limits of eager biting whites, even the average angler will have an abundance of fillets for the freezer.

I know of only one fishing guide that takes those anglers looking to take white bass home. His name is Mike Wheatley. His trips are what I call "meat runs." According to Mike, "most of

my dates are already booked but I do have room to take some more people. Families and novice anglers are my main customers and they love the white bass. Easy to catch. All they really need to bring is their rod and reel, some Blakemore Road-runners and a big ice chest because I even clean their catch." For more information on Mike's Fishing Adventures call 318-426-7901. If you hear of something interesting in the outdoors, let me hear from you.

Keith Warren is the host of Fishing & Outdoor Adventures (formerly known as The Texas Angler Television Show) along with Hunting & Outdoor Adventures, both of which broadcast statewide. Catch Fishing & Outdoor Adventures from January through June and Hunting & Outdoor Adventures from July through December on Fox Sports Southwest Cable Network on Sundays at 8:30 am CST. You can write to Keith Warren at PO Box 310379, New Braunfels, TX 78131-0379 or visit www.fishingandoutdoor.com online



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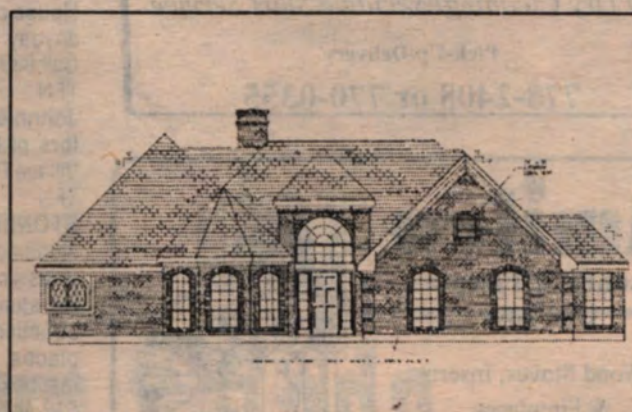
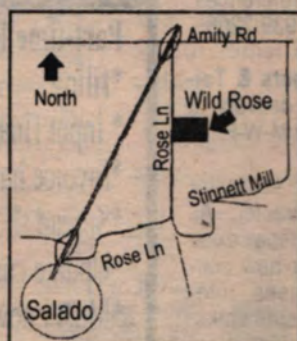
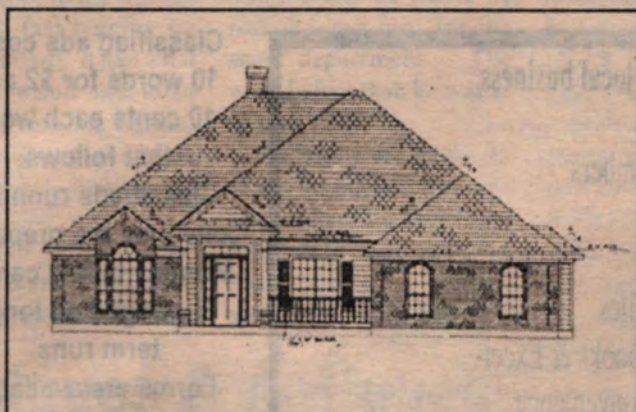
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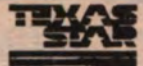
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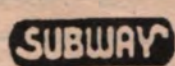


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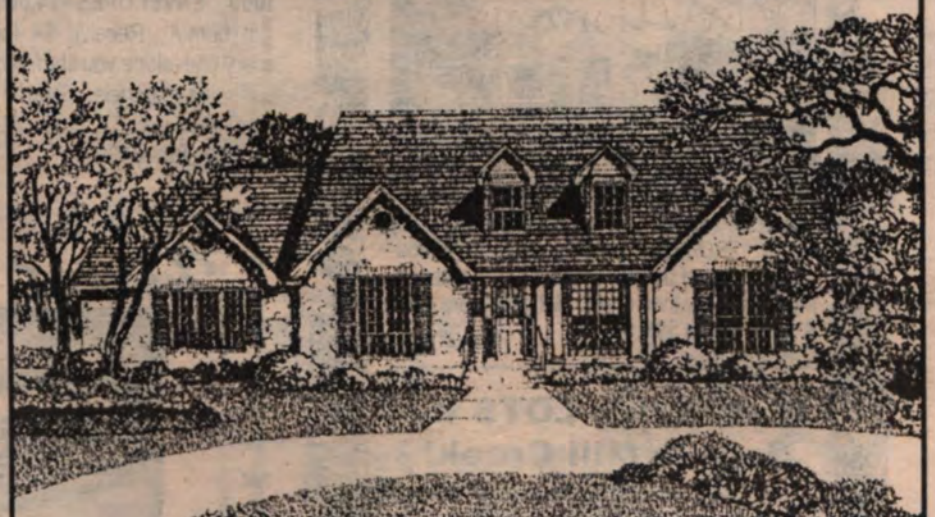
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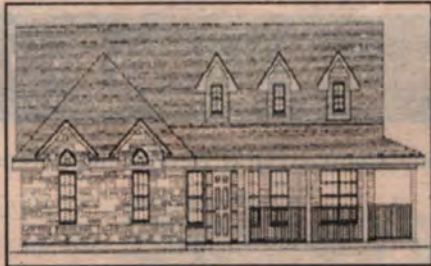
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Attractive Office Building w/Restaurant located on Main Street next to the Civic Center!! Over 7,000 sq. ft. with eight office suites, & deli/coffee shop!! Texas Limestone/frame exterior with lifetime metal roof situated on a corner lot. 100% occupied for that serious investor!! Can't beat the LOCATION for that office address...Call for more information on this Exclusive Listing!!

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Credit Scoring: What homebuyers should know

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There are a number of facts and fallacies about credit scoring—a quick, accurate and consistent scientific method for assessing credit risk—it would pay families who are house hunting to know more about. Here is a consumer's guide about credit scoring and its role in lending, from the experts at National Association of Mortgage

credit since. Credit scoring also includes how you use credit and your credit history. Typically, the longer paid-as-agreed accounts have been opened, the lower the risk indications are about you.

Use Of Mortgage Brokers

With a broker, homebuyers get an expert mentor assisting them through the

complex lending process. The broker offers the consumer extensive choices and access to affordable home loans while balancing his or her client's financial interests and goals.

Mortgage brokers represent the single largest residential loan source today, playing a singular role in the mortgage loan pro-

cess.

Tips on how to improve your credit profile and score are:

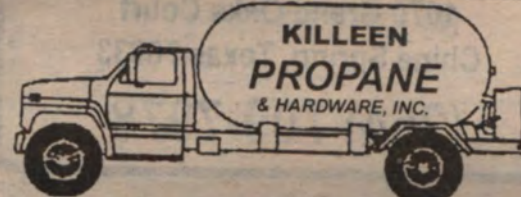
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In our newest town-home community, The Bluffs, some of the best views of golf course from two directions. "Like New" with all hard surface flooring throughout. Formals! \$232,500.



NEW LISTING! Just a mile east of Main Street at Smith Branch. Beautifully treed with huge live oaks, scenic setting 1.5 acres, porches, views, native field stone and cedar with metal roof. Real oak floors, 4 BR, 3.5 BA, plus 2/1 bonus and workshop basement. Prime additional acreage available. Owner Agent. \$279,000.



Wouldn't it be great to have two master suites? Pretty kitchen looking to mini forest in the backyard. A choice spot especially designed for "Back to Two" living. Over 2,100 sq. ft. \$172,000.



Peaceful, Convenient Location! Perfect starter or retirement home. Two acres just two miles from the village. 3/2 one level, metal roof, 9' ceilings in roomy living room, great country styled kitchen. Lightly restricted, but horse okay! Great Price! \$89,000.



Unbelievable Creek Views from all living, dining, and bedrooms in this gorgeously located, fine townhome. Extravagant interiors, 2 fireplaces, 2 masters. \$212,500.

Commercial Listing!

Main Street "Jewel" fronting 3 streets with IH-35 visibility. Restored "Vintage Salado" building with successful, thriving business currently leasing. Lots of space for additional improvements. \$200's.

Custom Home Sites!

Mill Creek:	
1/2 acre, cul-de-sac.....	\$21,500
Beautiful lot, trees and views.....	\$25,000
Indian Trail, lots of trees.....	\$31,500
New Listing! Cul-de-sac lot fronting 15 th fairway.....	\$59,900
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Winter fire safety begins at home

Families will spend more time indoors this winter presenting unique challenges when it comes to fire safety. The United States Fire Administration (USFA) estimates that every year over 80 percent of all fire deaths occur in the home. These fire tragedies are preventable. There are steps you can take to reduce the risk of fire, both in the winter and all year round.

USFA offers the following tips to make your home safe from fire this winter season:

Home Heating Safety

- Your furnace and chimney professionally inspected annually and cleaned if necessary.

- Keep combustibles at least three feet away from space heaters.

- Don't use the oven to heat your home. Heating

your home with an oven is hazardous and can be a source of toxic fumes.

- Use a glass or metal screen in front of a lit fireplace and dispose of hot ashes in metal containers away from the house.

Home Holiday

Decoration Safety

- When buying your holiday tree, choose one that is as fresh as possible and keep it away from drying heat sources. Keep the stand filled with water at all times.

- Inspect holiday lights each year for frayed wires, bare spots, gaps in insulation, broken or cracked sockets and excessive kinking or wear before putting them up.

- Connect the light strands to an extension cord, not linking more than three together. Periodically

check the wires to be sure they are not warm to the touch.

- If you use lit candles, make sure they are in stable holders and place them where they cannot be easily knocked down.

- Never leave the house with candles burning.

- Turn off all tree lights and decorations before you go to bed or leave your home.

Home Cooking Safety

- Never leave your food unattended and double check to make sure all appliances are turned off before going to bed or leaving the house.

- Turn pot handles inward to avoid spills and keep towels, potholders and curtains away from flames and hot surfaces.

- Equip every level of your home with a working

smoke alarm. All smoke alarms should be maintained and tested monthly. Batteries in smoke alarms should be changed once a year. If you have a hard-wire smoke alarm and it uses a back-up battery change this battery yearly as well.

The United States Fire Administration, an entity of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, is the federal leader in the areas of public fire education and awareness, fire service training, fire-related technology and data collection. For further information on winter fire safety or other fire safety topics, please write to the United States Fire Administration, Publications Office, Building 1, 16825 South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg, MD 21727.

How to make after Christmas clean up easier

Q: Any tips on making after Christmas chores like storing decorations easier?

A: Unfortunately, taking down decorations is at least as time consuming as putting them up. In fact, it often takes more time because most people aren't quite as inspired at the end of the season as they were a month ago. (Of course,

all the New Year's celebrating can leave you a bit exhausted, too!)

You can do a few things to pack away the holiday trimmings securely, and at the same time, cover some regular home-maintenance tasks.

Pack away ornaments in the same boxes they came from the store in; the wire hangers can stay on. Ornaments without containers should be wrapped carefully in leftover tissue paper and placed in a box reserved just for such stand-alones.

Christmas lights can be a thorny issue, come next year, if you waded them up

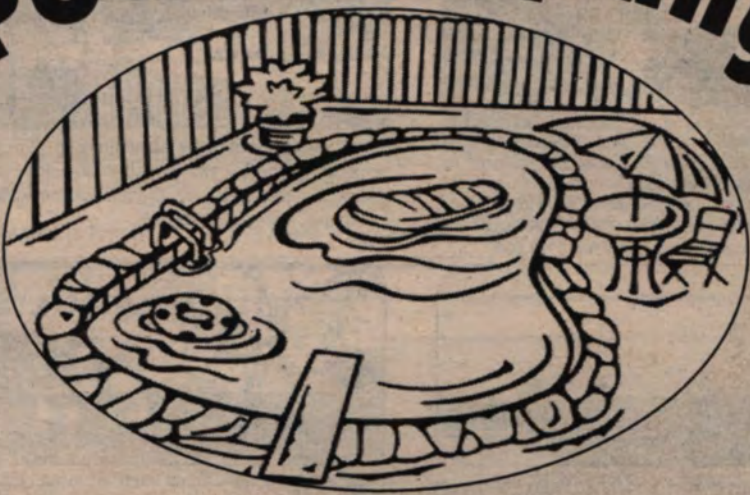
and stuff them back into their boxes. Instead, try wrapping the string around a cardboard dowel, the kind that makes up the core of a paper towel roll. Dowels can be taped end-to-end if need be. Store the lights upright and out of the way.

Many recycling centers will dispose of your tree at no cost; all you need to do is bring it to them. Look in the phone book for the nearest paper or tree recycling center, and schedule a day to take your tree over; in the meantime, store the tree in your garage, away from electrical items, candles, or other dangers.

Now, as you take down

outdoor lights, you can perform a little routine maintenance on areas like the roof, gutters and surrounding areas. Give eaves and gutters a quick tug as you move along them to make sure they're firmly attached and that no damage has occurred. Sweep the roof and gutters free of snow and debris, and check for loose or missing shingles. Clear heavy snow away from the sides of the house so that snowmelt doesn't seep downward to the foundation, and check the walls for cracks or other damage.

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\$141,500...Quality neighborhood with a country feeling! Native trees shade the lot. Large living room with fireplace. Breakfast nook and formal dining room. Split bedrooms. Large master bath with jacuzzi-style tub. 3 BR, 2 BA.



\$102,000...This new home located on .5 acres is easily accessible from Salado, Belton or Killeen. Tiled entry leads to the large living area. Master bath boasts two large walk-in closets with an additional linen closet. Master bedroom includes a large picture glass window overlooking the spacious backyard. Relax in the evenings on the covered back patio. Approximately 1398 sq. ft.



\$299,021...Location, Location, Location! This gorgeous one-year old home is within walking distance of downtown Salado. Many custom features make this home elegant, yet cozy.



\$152,500...Two cabins and metal workshop on 26.02 acres with lovely hilltop view.



\$210,000...Mill Creek Springs equals first class! New home under construction in new golf course community. Large great room, bright and open - 10' ceilings with fireplace and built-ins. Breakfast nook & formal DR. 4 BR, 3 BA.



\$259,000...Cornerstone Custom Homes proudly presents its newest home in Mill Creek Springs. The "Chateau" has many upgraded energy saving packages including solar board roof decking and Tyvek house wrap. The structured wiring is ready for the internet, computer networking, satellite, surround sound and outdoor sound.



\$199,800...Two acre heavily wooded lot with an outstanding floor plan! Relax in the hot tub on deck! 4 BR, 3 BA, formal dining room, breakfast room, 2 car garage.



\$137,900...A Country Welcome Home on 4.1 acres. Oak trees frame the lovely brick home. Fenced backyard, fireplace, raised ceilings, large master suite & bath are extras!



\$246,900...Large rock home, 3 BR, 2-1/2 BA, with two living areas. Large barn with stables and lighted roping arena on 10 acres.



\$150,000...Prime location on Main Street, Salado. 2 BR, 1 BA with lots of potential.



\$127,900...Beautiful 3 BR, 2 BA home on about 2 acres. Trees, sprinkler system, storage building. Quiet neighborhood. A real powder puff.



\$169,900...Newly constructed home on 1/2 acre lot. Open, bright kitchen with granite tops. Formal DR and LR. Den and breakfast nook included. Split bedroom arrangement. 4BR, 2BA.

Residential

- **\$68,000** - 3 BR, 2 BA manufactured home in the country.
- **\$102,000** - New construction. 1/2 acre lot. 3 BR, 2 BA.
- **\$127,900** - 3 BR, 2 BA home on 2 acres in quiet neighborhood. Storage bldg.
- **\$132,800** - Walk to Mill Creek Country Club. Large back deck, small yard.
- **\$137,900** - 4.1 acres. Fenced backyard, fireplace, raised ceilings.
- **\$139,900** - 4 BR Mill Creek home on cul-de-sac. Deluxe master, large den.
- **\$141,500** - Country setting! 3 BR, 2 BA, large master bath with jacuzzi-style tub.
- **\$152,500** - Two cabins and metal workshop on 26.02 acres with hilltop view.
- **\$164,800** - 4 BR, 2 BA home, 1 year old. Upgrades in the interior. Large patio.
- **\$165,000** - 4 BR, 2 BA with lots of professional touches. Under Contract.
- **\$169,900** - Lots of open space. 4 BR, 2 BA, great master suite.
- **\$175,000** - Cliffs on Canyon Creek. 4 BR, 2 dining, wet bar, in-ground pool.
- **\$179,000** - Quiet cul-de-sac in Mill Creek. 3 BR, office, 2 dining.
- **\$199,321** - 4 BR, 2 BA located in new Mill Creek Springs.
- **\$199,800** - 4 BR, 3 BA on 2 wooded acres. Hot tub!
- **\$210,000** - 10' ceilings, fireplace, breakfast nook, 4 BR, 3 BA.
- **\$237,021** - Overlook 14th Fairway. Immaculate home. Gameroom.
- **\$242,800** - A showcase home with tons of extras. Separate 2-story building.
- **\$246,900** - Rock home with barn & roping arena on 10 acres.
- **\$259,000** - Cornerstone home with upgraded energy saving package.
- **\$289,000** - Country home with 7 wooded acres and wrap around porch.
- **\$299,021** - Elegant home within walking distance of downtown Salado.
- **\$438,000** - Texas style ranchette. In-ground pool, hot tub & waterfall. Heavily wooded.

Commercial Property

- **\$110,800** - Commercial or investment opportunity. Approx. 1404 SF.
- **\$129,000** - Commercial building in excellent location on I-35 in Belton. Office & warehouse.
- **\$150,000** - Prime location on Main Street. 2 BR, 1 BA. Lots of potential.

Acreage Available

- **163 acres** near Davilla in Milam Co. Very nice place, part cultivation, part pasture. Good road frontage. Owner financing.
- **150 acres** on Hwy 36 at Temple Airport.
- **15 acres** on I-35 at Exit 277. Road on 3 sides.
- **8.77 acres** on I-35 at crossover with road on 3 sides, Exit 286 at Salado.
- **3 acres**, all woods, good frontage, water available. Near Stillhouse Lake.

Lots

Mill Creek Lots

- Chisholm Trail - \$26,900
- #12 Lane - \$39,900

Other Lots

- Amanda Circle (2 lots) - \$9,500 each
- Hodge Canyon Dr. - \$22,000
- S. Penelope, Belton - \$18,000
- Royal Oaks - \$45,000
- Lot 2, Great Oaks - \$39,900 Under Contract.
- Southshore Subdivision - Lot 1 - \$10,000 • Lots 2-10 - \$12,000. Under Contract.
- Mill Creek Springs - \$30-\$75,000
- Betty Place - \$22,000
- Royal Oaks - \$30,000
- #8 Oak Park - \$8,000
- Lot 8, Great Oaks - \$42,000

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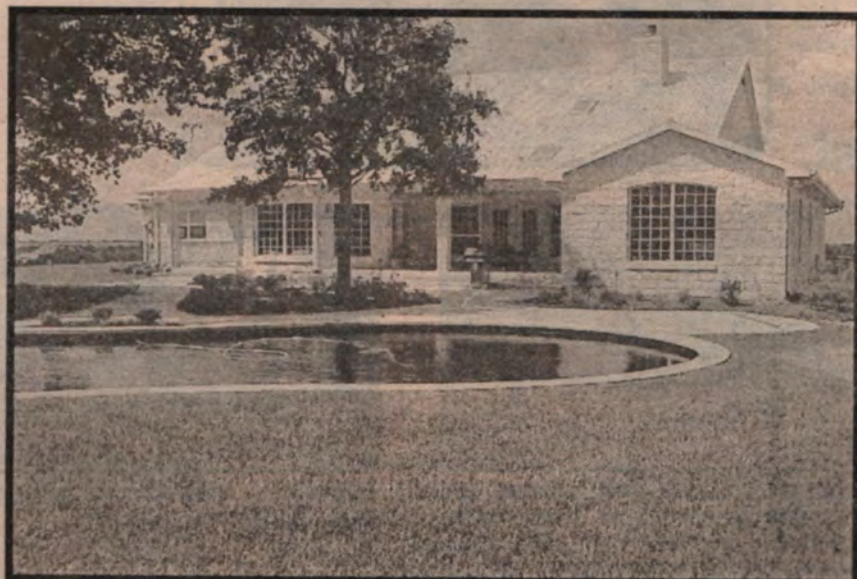


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Secluded Country Estate. Driveway ambles back to picture perfect setting in Temple's only gated community. This home offers 2 living, 2 dining, 3 bedrooms, 2-1/2 bath, hot tub, 2 sided fireplace, two outside decks, hot tub and a nicely landscaped 1.29 acres. **\$330,000.**



Quiet setting on one acre. This one year old Austin stone home with tin roof close to Belton, Killeen and Salado I.S.D. **\$115,900.**



Over 5,000 square foot, office and storage for retail or commercial with beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath rock home on approximately 1.2 acres fronting on Village Rd. just off I35. **\$339,900.**



Large Victorian-style home offering a large bonus room, 4 bedroom, 4-1/2 bath, 3 living areas, formal and informal dining. 2 fireplaces, small office or workshop in garage. Pool and hot tub. **\$249,900**

Residential Listings

\$115,900: Austin stone home on 2 acres in Woods of Salado! Recently updated 3 bedroom, 2 bath one car garage small workshop.

\$115,900: 2.7 acre wooded tract with beautiful rock 3/2 home.

\$116,500: Recently completed Austin stone with tin roof on approximately one acre lot. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car carport.

\$160,000: 4 Bedroom, **Under Contract** on 4.5 acres.

\$179,900: Salado Oaks **Under Contract**. 4 BR, 3 BA, 2 car garage, lot loaded with large oak trees.

Acreage Available

3 acres commercial fronting I-35, 1 mile S. of Salado, \$79,900.

3 acres fronting Rose Lane outstanding trees for home site. \$34,900.

3.5 acres, Woods of Salado, \$45,000, reduced to \$39,500.

23 acres, West Amity. Beautiful live oaks, outstanding home. \$115,000.

62.5 acres. Pendleton area. \$1,250 per acre.

928 acres Southwest of Salado. Beautiful rolling tree country with live creek and large lake on property. Excellent views. Outstanding wildlife.

1418 acres this acreage has topography that is gentle rolling to large canyons with over a mile of the live water Willingham creek. Outstanding live oak trees, elm trees, deer, dove and turkey. Located just 4 miles west of Salado fronting FM 2843. The ultimate home setting overlooking Texas Hill country at its best.

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8	SOLD	194,900
9	SOLD	149,900
10	SOLD	69,900
Lot 1	SOLD	47,900
Lot 2	4.82	57,900
Lot 3	6.09	59,900
Lot 4	6.38	62,900

Acreage: 14 tracts varying in size from 3.89 to 62.06 acres

Water: Well water, Edwards Formation

Taxes: Bell County and Salado ISD currently Ag Exempt

Schools: Salado ISD

Zoning: Deed Restrictions

Topography and Vegetation: gently rolling terrain with large Live Oaks, Elms, Spanish Oaks and many other trees common to this area

Location: 2.5 miles West of I-35 and FM 2843 intersection fronting the South side of FM 2843

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Lot 2 - Heavy treed on Rose Lane. \$34,900

Country Homes

Looking for a small house in the country? This house features 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 stall barn, and large workshop. **SOLD**

4,000 sq. ft home on 21 acres, in ground pool, out buildings, tank, beautiful wooded acreage west of Belton. This home offers 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 living, 2 dining, 2 fireplaces. **\$300,000.**

Ranch House with barn. This home offers 3 bedroom, 2 bath on 5 acres covered with live oak trees. Unique setting! **\$150,000.**

Salado Lots

Indian Trail at Blaylock, large corner lot, 90x188 - \$36,000.

Indian Trail - 90x188 - \$34,000.

Quail Hollow at Indian Trail, corner lot - \$39,000.

Southridge - Large lot covered with trees - \$36,900.

Bluffs at Salado Creek

Phase II

Lot #3	1.00 acre	\$39,900
Lot #1	2.28 acre	\$45,000
Lot #2	SOLD	

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