

# Salado Village Voice

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Hometown newspaper read by Theron &amp; Violet Palmer

Annual event Nov. 9-11

## Clans move to ranch

After 39 years, the Gathering of the Scottish Clans and Highland Games is making a big change this year. Most of the vents will be moved to the Robertson Ranch on the west side of I-35.

The Clan tents, piping, dancing and drumming contests will all be held on the Robertson Ranch, where the athletic events have been held for many years.

Visitors to the 40th annual Gathering of the Scottish Clans and Highland Games on Nov. 9-11 will continue to hear some of the outstanding pipe bands in the Southwest.

The pipe band competition for the annual event has attracted such notable groups as Silver Thistle Pipes and Drums from Austin, Lyon College Pipes and Drums from Batesville, Ark., San Antonio Pipes and Drums, and Black Bexar Pipes and Drums, both from San Antonio, and St. Thomas' Episcopal School Pipe Band from Houston. St. Thomas' Pipe Band, always the host band for the gathering, won the world juvenile pipe band championships in Glasgow, Scotland in 1998, 1995 and 1985.

The festival, which attracts thousands of Scottish descent to the historic central Texas village of Salado, also features Highland athletics, Highland dancing and gathering of more than 50 Scottish clans.

Activities will begin Friday with a golf tournament at Mill Creek Country Club and genealogy seminar at the Stagecoach Inn. Saturday's schedule includes individual piping, drumming and Highland dancing competition, a story telling contest, Highland athletics, Scottish country dancing workshop, Scottish Ceilidh, Tattoo on College Hill and Tartan Ball.

The pipe band competition will continue at the Robertson Ranch until the close of the games.

For more information about any of the events or to order tickets in advance, contact Central Texas Area Museum, P.O. Box 36, Salado, TX. 76571. 947-5232



Highland dancing, along with piping and drumming contests, will move to the Robertson Ranch this year.

## SISD trustees to set tax rate

By TIM FLEISCHER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Salado ISD trustees meet 6:30 p.m. Aug. 30 to adopt the budget and set the tax rate for the coming year. Trustees proposed a tax rate of \$1.57 per \$100 valuation, more than a penny higher than Superintendent Robin Battershell recommended.

Dr. Battershell will present the final budget to the trustees during the public hearing on the matter. The budget includes \$30,000 in cuts that trustees directed the superintendent to make.

The operating budget will have \$6.3 million in expenses, more than \$500,000 than the previous year. Since 1998-99, the Salado ISD operating budget has grown from \$5 million to the proposed \$6.3 million.

The tax rate, however, has remained the same during the period: \$1.49 per \$100 evaluation. After the Texas Legislature

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approved a property tax relief measure, Salado ISD increased its maintenance and operations tax rate from \$1.21 to \$1.31 during the 1999-2000 budget year.

Last year, trustees eliminated the three percent early pay discount for taxpayers who paid their property tax in October.

This year, the board will be increasing the tax rate, even though taxable property values increased 15 percent in the district.

The budget shows increases in spending in every function, except debt service and payments to fiscal agents.

Instruction, health services, student transportation and

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## Aldermen continue work on budget, city services

By TIM FLEISCHER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Salado aldermen Aug. 23 held the first of two public hearings on their inaugural annual budget of over \$400,000. But you couldn't tell it as there was very little "public" to the hearing. Only two were in attendance, not counting the aldermen and media.

The budget relies almost completely on sales tax

receipts (\$250,000) and utility franchise fees (\$150,000) for income. Mayor Charlotte Douglass explained that the sales tax receipts figure is based on the history of the Salado Public Library District, which collects a half-cent sales tax. Because the Library District collects tax from a larger area than the Village of Salado, Douglass said that the budget is figured at 1.5 times the

amount the Library District has been collecting. Village of Salado levies a one cent sales tax.

The police department and administrative expenses will account for \$280,000 of the expenses in the budget with the remainder being spent on road maintenance and repairs, municipal building costs and a \$25,200 contract with the Salado Volunteer Fire Department to provide

emergency services to the city.

"You can't just make a donation to the fire department," Mayor Charlotte Douglass explained. "We are contracting for these services with the fire department."

Of the \$140,210 set aside for administration costs of the village, \$60,000 is earmarked for the contract with Duncan Sefko and Associates to develop

a master plan for the Village of Salado. Another \$12,000 is included for legal fees, though the Village of Salado has not yet contracted with a city attorney.

The budget also includes \$6,000 for street lights in the business district that are currently maintained by the Salado Chamber of Commerce. Another \$6,000 is set aside for parks, presumably Pace Park, currently

maintained by the Salado Chamber of Commerce.

### Other business

In other business before the board, Police Chief Alan Rogers reported that the Salado Police Department is now recognized by the state as a police department. Rogers said that the federal regulatory number is forthcoming. "The Bell County Communications Center has the department on its system," SEE ALDERMEN, PAGE 4A

## CTCOG continues search for some 911 addresses

By TIM FLEISCHER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

"There are a lot of those who don't want to be found," Jim Reed, project manager with the Central Texas Council of Governments said. "That is, until they need the 9-1-1 services. Then 9-1-1 is the best thing in the world."

CTCOG continues to work with the Bell County Communications Center, Sprint and Southwestern

Bell telephone companies to narrow the number of addresses missing in the 9-1-1 system for the area.

"We mailed out over 15,000 'Where are you?' letters to people we could not find addresses for," Reed said. Many homeowners and business owners use post office boxes in lieu of having mail sent to their physical location.

Which leads to the problem of 9-1-1 addressing,

which requires a physical location.

Using the database of local telephone companies, CTCOG has been able to build a substantial base for 9-1-1. "There are over 148,000 phone numbers in Bell County," Reed said.

"If Sprint does not have an accurate 911 address number, the dispatchers at the communications center will get an error message," Reed explained. "Then the dispatcher will answer the

call, asking for the name and physical address. These are tracked down one at a time."

Reed explained that the 911 system operates on a trunk phone line system in which the database information on the incoming call is matched up to a computerized map to give dispatchers and emergency responders directions to the location.

When the "no address known" error comes in, it

costs valuable time during emergency situations to track down the address and directions.

Reed told Salado aldermen during their Aug. 23 meeting, that area residents should look at the telephone bill to check it for a 911 address. If there is no accurate 911 address information, Reed says those individuals should call the telephone company's customer service number. "Don't dial 911

to check your address," he stated. "Use it only for emergencies."

He said that another problem vexing CTCOG are rural private roads. "If three or more houses are on a road, we ask those residents to establish a name for that road so that we can get a 911 address for it," he said.

The Tourism Council is appointed by the mayor and approved by the board of aldermen.

# What's happening around here?

## AUGUST 29

The Salado United Methodist Church Children's Choir will begin practice 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

## AUGUST 30

Beer and Bucket night 5-9 p.m. Purchase a Jumbo Basket of Balls, 90 balls for \$9.50 and get two free beers or sodas at Dancing Bear Ranch.

Camp Fire Boys and Girls parent information meeting 6:30 p.m. at the Salado Intermediate School Commons Area. For more information call 947-8129.

## SEPTEMBER 6

Public Hearing on

Budget of Village of Salado 6:30 p.m. at Civic Center. 947-5060.

Basic Watercolor class (first in series of four) with Joan Hoffman as instructor at the Salado Art Center located behind the Civic Center. 947-8343.

## SEPTEMBER 11

Salado Public Library offers Microsoft Word class 7-8:30 p.m. in the Historical Room at Civic Center. Class will run for six weeks. 947-9191

Yoga classes begin 6:45 p.m. with yoga master Paul Coates at Royal Street Courtyard. To register call 947-9992

## SEPTEMBER 13

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Basic Watercolor class (second in series) with Joan Hoffman as instructor at the Salado Art Center located behind the Civic Center. 947-8343.

Central Texas poets and writers read 7 p.m.-9 p.m. at Tablerock. Open mic at 9 p.m. Call 947-9205 for more information

## SEPTEMBER 20

Car seat event 4-6 p.m. at Salado Chiropractic (Salado Plaza). Four inspectors will be checking child seats.

Basic Watercolor class (third in series of four) with Joan Hoffman as instructor at the Salado Art Center located behind the Civic Center. 947-8343.

## SEPTEMBER 21

Jim Patterson Memorial Golf Tournament 1 p.m. at Mill Creek

## SEPTEMBER 22

FFA Bull Bash at Wildfire Ranch Arena. Admission \$5 for Adults, \$3 students, 12 and under free. Books for the bull riding will open 5:30 p.m. Sept. 17.

## SEPTEMBER 27

Basic Watercolor class with Joan Hoffman as instructor at the Salado Art Center located behind the Civic Center. 947-8343.

## OCTOBER 1, 2, 4

Genealogy course 6-8 p.m. at the Civic Center. Call Salado Public Library for information 947-9191.

## OCTOBER 5

Salado Eagles Homecoming game against Jarrell 7:30 p.m.

## OCTOBER 6

"Celebrate Salado" formal reception 5:30 p.m. at Civic Center. City wide Bar-B-Que dinner 7 p.m. at Pace Park.

## OCTOBER 9 & 11

Genealogy course continues 6-8 p.m. at the Civic Center. 947-9191.

## OCTOBER 12-13

Christmas in October 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Civic Center. For information, call Salado Chamber of Commerce 947-5040.

## OCTOBER 17-19

Watercolor Workshop with guest instructor, Missy Sophie, at the Salado Art Center located behind the Civic Center.

## NOVEMBER 9

Juried art competition 4-6 p.m. Member's reception at Salado Art Center behind the Civic Center

## NOVEMBER 9-11

Central Texas Area Museum 38th Annual Gathering of the Scottish Clans.

## NOVEMBER 10

Juried art show 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Public reception held at Salado Art Center behind the Civic Center. 947-8343.

## NOV. 30 - DEC. 11

Christmas Stroll and Homes Tour. First and second weekend of December each year. Sponsored by Salado Business Association and Salado Historical Society. For information, call 254/947-5040.

## DECEMBER 7

Mill Creek Community Association Christmas Gala 6 p.m. at The Inn at Salado in the pavillion.

# Tourism council reviews grant requests

By TIM FLEISCHER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Salado Tourism Council members reviewed preliminary requests from Salado organizations at an Aug. 27 meeting.

The Council, which oversees the distribution of hotel/motel tax revenues, is still in its infancy, but is beginning work on its interim budget and a search for a tourism director.

At its Aug. 23 meeting, the tourism council looked over preliminary grant requests from the Salado Civic Center Foundation, Salado Business Association, Salado Chamber of Commerce and the Institute for the Humanities at Salado.

In a letter from Ken Clapp, Chairman, the Civic Center Foundation outlined plans for surveying state agencies and other entities of their desires and needs for state and regional gatherings. The Civic Center also stated a need for more tables and chairs, audio-visual equipment and other items.

The letter from the Civic Center was not a

formal request, as the Tourism Council has not yet established a method for making requests for grants.

Salado Business Association laid out plans for additional advertising, including magazines and billboards, for which it requested a grant from the Tourism Council. The SBA request for \$18,500 would be matched by their own funds, as required by the grant.

The Institute for Humanities at Salado requested \$3,370 to assist in publishing its program brochures.

In other business, the tourism council directed its budget committee of Lynn Epps and Becky McAulay to set aside \$50,000 for costs associated with a tourism director, to include payroll, benefits and travel expenses.

Hotel/motel taxes are collected on a quarterly basis. Only one quarter has been reported so far, the second quarter, which included revenues collected in June of more than \$12,000.

# Manpower's employment outlook for area business

Employer caution is clouding the Temple area's staffing picture this fall. That finding is based on the latest poll of workforce plans among employers for the final months of the year, released recently and conducted quarterly by Manpower Inc.

Michael McPhail of Manpower said, "The Employment Outlook Survey results reveal that 23 percent of companies contacted are inclined to hire more people for the October-December period while 13 percent are preparing for fewer personnel. The remaining 64 percent will maintain current staffing levels."

McPhail added that prospects for the 2000 year-end survey were much brighter when 47 percent anticipated adding workers and none intended to cut back. Employers were also bullish three months ago, as 43 percent issued recruitment plans and none reported reductions were in order.

Hiring potential appears greatest this fall in non-durable goods manufacturing, transportation/public utilities, finance/insurance/real estate, education, services and public administration. Wholesale/retail merchants plan cuts, while durable goods manufac-

turers voice mixed intentions.

Across the nation, employment is expected to remain near historically low levels as 24 percent plan further hiring, 11 percent expect staffing declines, 60 percent anticipate no change and 5 percent are uncertain. In the final quarter of last year, 32 percent said they would increase staff, only 7 percent projected reductions, 57 percent foresaw no change and 4 percent were undecided.

Manpower Inc. conducts the Employment Outlook Survey on a quarterly basis. It is a measurement of employers' intentions to increase or decrease the permanent workforce, and during its 25-year history has been a significant indicator of employment trends. The survey is based on telephone interviews with nearly 16,000 public and private employers in 485 U.S. markets.

For more information visit Manpower's Web site [www.us.manpower.com](http://www.us.manpower.com). Manpower Inc. is a world leader in the staffing industry, providing workforce management services and solutions to customers through 3,800 offices in 59 countries.

# Regular Meetings

## Mondays

Democrats: 1st Mon. 7 p.m. at Civic Center.

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: 1-4 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Mon. 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: 1st Mon. 7 p.m. at the Intermediate School.

## Tuesdays

Salado Rotary Club, 11:30 a.m., Stagecoach Inn.

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. at the Salado Civic Center Postponed until Sept. any questions call Marilyn at the Salado Village Voice 947-5321

Chisholm Trail Chapter ABWA: 2nd Tues. 6:30 p.m. at Stagecoach Inn. For

more info. call 947-3617

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

Salado Community Chorus 5 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center

## Wednesday

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

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

Village of Salado board of aldermen. Regular meetings on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of month, 6:30 p.m. at Salado Civic Center unless otherwise posted. Agenda posted at Salado Civic Center 72 hours prior. Call 947-5060.

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.

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

## Saturdays

Food Pantry: 2nd and 4th Saturday at First Baptist Church. 9 a.m.-10 a.m.

To have your meeting listed on this calendar of events, e-mail [saladovv@aol.com](mailto:saladovv@aol.com) or fax 254-947-9479. Meetings of Salado organizations are listed free of charge. If your group changes its meeting time or location, please call us to update the list. Deadline is Friday for the next Wednesday publication.

# Salado ISD Budget By Function

	1998/99	1999-2000	2000-2001	PROPOSED 2001-2002
<b>TAX RATE</b>	<b>\$1.49</b>	<b>\$1.49</b>	<b>\$1.49</b>	<b>1.57</b>
	\$1.21 M&O \$0.28 I&S	\$1.31 M&O \$0.18 I&S	\$1.3213 M&O \$0.1687 I&S	\$1.38M&O \$0.19 I&S
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Local	\$ 2,703,656	\$ 2,981,405	\$ 3,278,862	\$ 3,849,114
State	\$ 2,273,993	\$ 2,612,680	\$ 2,447,563	\$ 2,480,798
Federal	\$ 84,500	\$ 80,000	\$ 111,282	\$ 110,807
Total Revenues	\$5,062,149	\$ 5,674,085	\$ 5,837,707	\$ 6,440,719
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Instruction	\$ 2,858,725	\$ 3,171,790	\$ 3,303,515	\$ 3,728,785
Instructional Resources	141,309	153,760	181,439	194,537
Curriculum				
& Staff Development	12,500	9,000	9,795	11,742
School Leadership	335,694	364,760	364,585	383,371
Guidance/counseling	104,662	108,722	155,150	155,612
Health Services	34,960	38,180	52,630	61,425
Student Transportation	132,007	117,080	164,850	190,300
Food Services	221,100	228,272	238,160	247,268
Co-curricular				
& Extra-curricular	220,359	202,040	231,632	259,959
General Administration	238,772	278,529	287,271	310,660
Plant Maintenance				
& Operations	526,818	682,900	651,200	665,700
Security & Monitoring	2,400	3,400	3,400	4,000
Community Services	1,200	0	0	0
Debt Service	84,708	84,703	45,544	31,900
Payments to				
Fiscal Agents	90,000	90,000	88,500	85,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 5,005,214	\$ 5,533,136	\$ 5,777,671	\$ 6,330,159
Projected Change in Fund Balance	\$ +56,935	\$ +140,949	\$ +60,036	\$ +110,560
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>				
Revenue				
Local	\$ 572,280	\$ 402,762	\$ 405,480	\$ 511,952
State	53,542	242,047	231,421	179,015
Total Revenue	\$ 625,822	\$ 644,809	\$ 636,901	\$ 690,967
Expense	\$ 614,643	\$ 614,264	\$ 613,127	\$ 680,605
Change in Debt Service				
Fund Balance	\$ +10,979	\$ +30,545	\$ +23,774	\$ +10,362
Total Revenue	\$5,687,771	\$ 6,318,694	\$ 6,474,608	\$ 7,131,686
Total Expenditures	\$5,619,857	\$ 6,147,400	\$ 6,390,798	\$ 7,010,764
Change in Total				
Fund Balance	\$ +67,914	\$ +171,494	\$ +83,810	\$ +120,922
Enrollment	944	991	960	989*
Total Expenditure per student enrolled in SISD	\$ 5,935.27	\$ 6,203.23	\$ 6,657.08	\$ 7,088.74

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# Budget

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cocurricular/extra-curricular expenses all increase more than 10 percent in the proposed budget.

The long-term debt service budget increases by more than 10 percent this year, as well.

The tax rate to retire the long term debt will increase from \$0.1687 to

\$0.19 to fund the \$680,605 debt service budget. Last year's debt service was \$613,127.

Combining the maintenance and operations and debt service budgets, brings total expenditures in the district to over \$7 million. In 1998-99, the total budget

expenditures topped \$5.6 million.

The student population at Salado ISD, however, has not grown with the budget. In fact, 989 were enrolled for the first day of school, a decline from 955 enrollment at the end of the 2000-2001 school year.



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# Aldermen

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Rogers added. He added that the Salado Fire Department has helped save the village about \$3,000 in supplying a car radio and handheld radio at much-reduced costs than retail.

Rogers also reported that he has had two applicants for the assistant chief position. He said he hopes to have the position filled before Oct. 1.

Rogers will attend school this September at Sam Houston State University for 40 hours training required for all new chiefs of police and 40 hours of training for all chiefs of police.

Aldermen authorized Rogers to seek out the best alarm system for the municipal building, which will house evidence collected by the department.

**I-35 expansion**

Mayor Douglass told aldermen that she met recently with John Obr, project engineer for the Texas Department of Transportation I-35 expansion project. According to Dou-

glass, TXDOT will continue with plans for a wide version of the expansion through Salado, in which the department would buy right of way on the west side of the interstate.

"Obr said that the input he has received has been nine to one in favor of the wide option," Douglass said.

The wide option will be revised, though, south of Salado Creek. South of the Creek, no right of way will be taken.

Douglass said that Obr told her that the public hearing is six months to a year away. One to two years after receiving final public input on the project, TXDOT will begin acquiring right of way.

"The comps they will be using will be 'Salado comps,' not comps from Belton, Temple, Jarrell or anywhere else," Douglass said.

"We want ours to go as smooth as Georgetown, not as awful as Hillsboro," Douglass added.

**Comprehensive plan**

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Vic Means told aldermen that the Village of Salado has received a contract from Duncan Sefko for the comprehensive plan, but added that he needed some clarification before pursuing it further.

Means said that the area of expenses in addition to the contract prices needs to be more clearly defined. "If we don't watch it, the expenses could get out of hand very quickly," he said.

Means and Douglass will meet with Sefko Duncan before the board approves the contract.

**Road maintenance**

Rick Ashe said that the Village is ready to go on its contract with the County to resurface roads in the city except for one thing: gravel.

"I didn't know we had to have that," Ashe said. Ashe is looking for a place to buy and to store the 150 tons of gravel that will be needed in the coming year for resurfacing roads in Salado.

But the more immediate problem is fixing potholes. Aldermen authorized repairing a major pothole that has developed at the corner of Guess and Melissa.

**Municipal Court Judge:**

Mayor Douglass reported that four people have shown interest in serving as Municipal Court Judge for Salado: Ted Duffield, justice of the peace; Phillip Arrien, Sherry Hill and Don Svadlenak, justice of the peace for this precinct.

"We're looking for someone who knows how to run a court docket," Douglass said, adding that the Village of Salado would likely require one day a week to service the docket.

In addition, Diana Zulauf is searching for a software program that can organize a court docket, take payments and split them to the various agencies due to receive them.

Aldermen will meet again Sept. 6 at which they will adopt their budget.

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# Deadline for Bell County Youth Fair Oct. 31

JAMES DAVIS  
COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT-AG

Welcome back to the first week of school and welcome back to 4-H. Every year a million plus 4-Hers will attend community meetings to re-enroll as a member the Texas 4-H Youth Development Program. This year in Bell County over 800 youth and volunteer leaders came together to take an active role in leadership, community service and unique learning experiences only offered by 4-H.

Please note that due to changes in rules made by the Bell County Youth Fair Board, all youth planning to enter the Bell County Youth Fair and Livestock Show must be enrolled by Oct. 31, to qualify

as a bona fide member. Don't delay, 4-H clubs hold meetings only once a month. Get into it and get to a meeting in your community today.

Bell County 4-H'ers interested in competing in the 2002 Fort Worth Calf Scramble should contact the Extension Office no later than Sept. 26. The 2002 Calf Scramble will be open to boys and girls ages 14, 15 and 16. Bell County can enter a maximum of six scramblers. 2002 Scramble certificates have a value of \$500. They may be used to purchase a beef or dairy heifer. In addition to the certificates, participants will be competing for a minimum of \$21,500 in scholarships. These schol-

arships, ranging in value from \$500 to \$2,000 will be awarded to the participants based on their monthly reporting and exhibition of the heifer. Contact Kyle at the Extension Office if you have other questions or concerns.

Heart '0 Texas entries are due in the County Extension Office by September 6. If you need entry blanks or have questions, contact Kyle no later than Sept. 6. The H.O.T. Fair is scheduled for October 5-13.

Sept. 14 is the deadline for ordering broilers for the Star of Texas Show to be

held in Austin. Broilers will cost \$1 per chick. There is a minimum of 50 chicks per individuals and families. The broilers will be here for pick up on Jan. 23, 2002. Absolutely no orders will be accepted without payment. If you have questions, contact the County Extension Office before Sept. 14.

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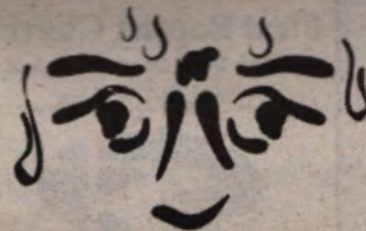
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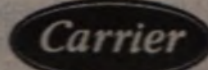
## Cyclones win trophies

Chelsea Ervi and Laramie Wilson, 1/r, members of the Centex '87 Cyclone soccer team display their first place trophies for winning the girls 16 and under division at the Fall CAYSA Soccer Tournament held in Round Rock. Both girls were successful scoring goals in helping their team win the championship.

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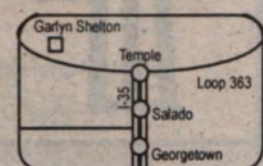
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## Community Bible Study held in Belton

The Temple/Belton Community Bible Study (CBS) night class will hold its first class meeting 7:30 p.m. Sept. 10 in the old sanctuary of the First Baptist Church in Belton. The group is studying *1 & II Peter, Daniel, and Colossians*. Anyone interested in joining the class is welcome to attend.

CBS is an interdenominational study for men, women and couples of all backgrounds who are interested in an in-depth weekly study of God's Word. There are more than 370

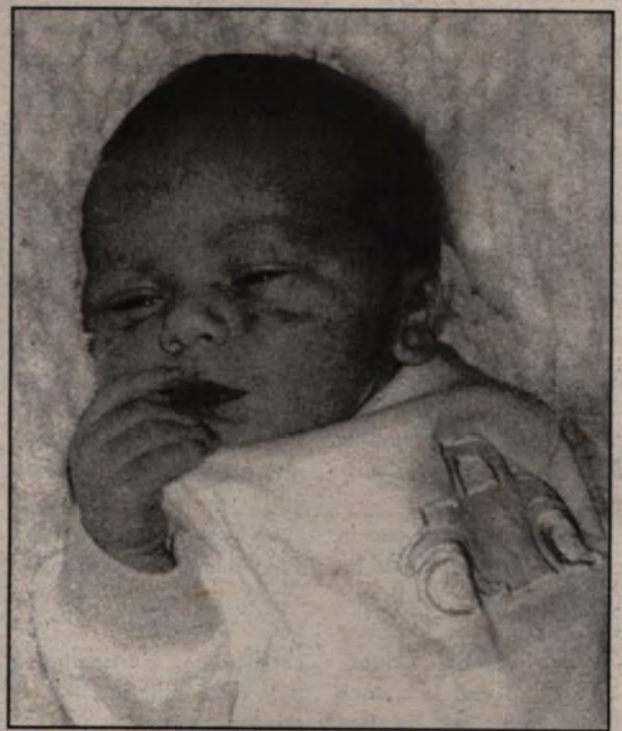
CBS classes around the country.

The Temple/Belton CBS class will meet every Monday from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Each week participants receive a commentary on the previous week's topic and a set of questions to work on each day covering the next week's reading.

These questions are discussed in small groups of about fifteen. Couples can choose to participate together in a couple's small group or individually in a men's or a women's small group. Following the small groups there is a short lecture over the same section of Scripture.

The class will break for several weeks at Christmas and finish at the end of April 2002. Baby sitting will be provided for children up to six years of age. Preregistration for baby sitting is requested.

Call Rick Erickson,



**Wyatt Dale Sutton**

Wyatt Dale Sutton was born to Howard and Misty Sutton of Salado 8:55 a.m. August 17, at Scott & White with a weight of 8 lbs. 5 oz. and 20 in. tall.

Maternal grandparents are Gary and Sandi McMichael of Killeen and Paternal grandparents are Elwood and Beverly Sutton of Salado.

Wyatt has two brothers Clayton Cole and Eric Sutton.

771-0237, or Kathie Kimes, 773-1842, for additional information or attend the first class at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 10.

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 6:00 p.m. • Evening Worship  
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**Wednesday**

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**Worship Schedule**

Sunday School • 9:45a.m.  
 Worship • 11 a.m.  
 Bible Study • 6 p.m.  
 Wednesday Praise & Prayer • 7:00 p.m.

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### Women's study group and children's choir practice begins

The Salado United Methodist Church Women's Wednesday evening study group will begin its fall study 6:15 p.m. Sept. 5. They will use the book, "A Women's Heart-God's Dwelling Place" written by Beth Moore. This group meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday. To register and order your book please call the church office. The registration fee is \$15.

**Children's Choir**

The Children's Choir at Salado United Methodist Church will begin practicing for their fall and winter performances on Aug. 29. Practices are held in the Sanctuary at 6 p.m.

All children from first through fifth grade are invited to participate in the choir. Craig Piturca, Director of Music at Salado UMC, directs the choir.

### Republican women give books to Treehouse

The Salado Area Republican Women recently donated 25 new children's books to Christian Farms TreeHouse, Inc.

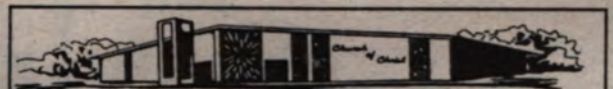
Christian Farms TreeHouse is a drug and alcohol treatment center. Therese Verdonk received the books to distribute to each child when they leave the center.

The SARW wanted the children to have a book that they could call their very own.

### Back to the Bible

The chief priests are stunned by Jesus' purging of the temple courts, displacing them outright as authorities over the house of God. They demand a miraculous sign from him to prove his right to such religious authority. Jesus only answers, *Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days.*

This confusing statement refers to the death, burial and resurrection of Christ later on. At this time, the concept that the temple and Jesus himself are alike as vessels of the Spirit of God is unclear.  
 John 2:18-19



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## Garlyn Shelton BMW offers Ultimate Drive

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This year's Ultimate Drive will be 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sept. 5 at Scott and White Hospital.

According to Ron Coleman, the Ultimate Drive

is your chance to do two things at once: drive your favorite BMW and help out a great cause.

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## Gaines to perform at 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Blanco County Heritage Day on September 22

Winner of the Skinny Rowland Memorial Award in 2000, which is presented by the Academy of Western Artists to the best cowboy storyteller and humorist of the year, Dennis Gaines will be performing at the 2nd Annual Blanco County Heritage Day, September 22 at Mo Ranch in Blanco, Tx.

Dennis Gaines will be just one of the many performing artists at Blanco County's celebration of Texas western heritage. Twelve or more chuck wagons will be cooking up a bountiful feast, a handful of the best cowboy entertainers including Red Steagall and Johnny Gimble along with other award winning poets, storytellers and singers will be performing from noon to 1 am, making this the premier cowboy gathering in the Hill Country.

Dennis' love of Cowboy poetry comes directly from his many experiences. He has the ability to take you to the top with laughter and then bring you back to reality with some heart-warming poetry of the open plains. Being able to work with adults and children alike makes Dennis a very popular entertainer at the many Cowboy gathering held around the coun-

try.

Writing all of his own material and being quite animated in presentation makes the audience get more involved in what he is doing. It's almost as if you relive the situation itself through his animation on stage. Dennis doesn't just talk about a cowboys way of life, he has lived it and looks the part. Standing over six feet tall with a large moustache and dressed in authentic working cowboy garb you'll be looking at the real McCoy. Tanned features reflect the days in the saddle and his manner speaks volumes which cannot be put into words. To talk to cowboys, one must have been a cowboy and Dennis Gaines is truly a gifted performer and one who represents the history and heritage of the American Cowboy in a grand and glorious manner. His cowboy poetry comes directly from his many experiences. With an ability to take you over the top with laughter and then bring you back to reality with some heart warming poetry of the open plains. Animated presentations of the material he writes himself, makes the audience weather young or old

get involved in what he is doing.

Proceeds from the Blanco County Western Heritage Day Festival benefit Yett Memorial Park. Yell Park is the accomplishment of a dedicated community lead by volunteers and donations from all areas. Beautification, park lighting, additional

restrooms, a second baseball field, soccer fields, nature trails and a covered dance pavilion are just a few of the projects awaiting available funds. For more information on Western Heritage Day, Blanco County, or Yett Memorial Park call the publicity office at 830-997-2350.

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## Salado School Menus

August 27-31

### Breakfast Menu

- August 27: French Toast Stix, Baked Ham, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk
- August 28: Ham & Cheese Biscuit, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk
- August 29: Pancakes w/butter & syrup, Sausage Link, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk
- August 30: Sausage Rolls, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk
- August 31: Glazed Donut, Baked Ham, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk

### Lunch Menu

- August 27: Chicken Fried Steak Sandwich, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Fruit, Almond Cookies, Hoagie, Chef Salad, Baked Potato, Milk
- August 28: Lasagna, Green Beans, Hot Roll, Fruit, Hoagie, Chef Salad, Baked Potato, Milk
- August 29: Pizza, Green Beans, Hot Roll, Strawberries w/topping, Hoagie, Chef Salad, Baked Potato, Milk
- August 30: Taco Bell Burrito, Spanish Rice, Mexican Corn, Fruit, Hoagie, Chef Salad, Baked Potato, Milk
- August 31: Cheeseburger on Roll, Pickle Spears, French Fries, Fruity Freeze, Hoagie, Chef Salad, Baked Potato, Milk

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# SPORTS

## Ladies compete in Hutto tourney

After a come-from-behind win over Florence Aug. 21, the Salado Lady Eagles varsity volleyball team competed this weekend in the Hutto Tournament that had 16 teams.

All three volleyball teams competed in the tournament with the varsity and freshman squad both winning half their games.

The Varsity squad played in a pool with Burnet, Cameron and Rockdale, coming out of the pool in third place. Salado play Austin Johnston in the consolation bracket, winning the best of three match in just two games.

Hutto was next for the varsity girls, who won the first game 15-9, but lost the next two 6-15 and 12-15.

Salado lost to Cameron for the third place trophy in two games 1-15 and 15-17.

Robyn Womac led the team in kills over the weekend with 41, followed by Kate Mentzel's 25 and Stephanie Krueger's 12 kills. Joyful Alderman was on-fire with 10 aces, while Womac had six kills.



leaps to kill the ball against the Florence Lady Buffaloes during their win Aug. 21.

Mentzel led the teams in blocking with 14, followed by Lindsay Quirk and Womac, who both had four and Lauren Mewhinney, who had three.

The freshmen squad competed in a pool with Hutto, Taylor and St. Michaels, where they lost just one game out of six.

This put them in the winners bracket, where they placed Killeen Shoemaker, losing in three games. "We are very proud of their progress," Coach Karen Hale said of the freshmen.

"All players contributed to the success. Jenny Goode led the team in kills and Brittani Goodnight played

excellent as setter, getting the ball to the offense."

The JV played in a pool with Hutto, Killeen Shoemaker and St. Michaels, from Austin. The team had a rough time of it, going 0-6. The girls lost in the first round of the consolation bracket to Academy.

## Eagles face Troy in opener

Salado Eagles look to redeem a 31-7 loss last year to the Troy Trojans, whom they face at Eagle Field 7:30 p.m. Aug. 31 to kick off the 2001 football season.

To do that, Salado will have to stop a Troy offense that SHS Coach Jeff Cheatham says executes very well. "They're good on offense," Cheatham said, adding that the Eagles will have to stop returning starting quarterback Grant Lambert, who threw for 1,321 yards last year.

On the other side of the ball, Salado will have to find a way around Troy's tackles and inside linebackers, which Cheatham calls "the heart of their defense."

The Eagles will mix a running and passing attack. Jeremy Grimm will marshal the offense, starting at quarterback, though he has not played varsity football before. Scott Bates will also see time as quarterback. Filling out the backfield are Hunter Konzen at tailback and Brian Johnston at fullback, when needed. Jarrod Whitfield, who broke his arm last year against Troy scoring the Eagles' single touchdown, will be the go-to receiver at flanker, joined by Matt Ward when the Eagles line up in a one back offense.

### 2001 Salado Eagles Football

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
Aug. 18	Crawford (scrimmage)	Salado	TBA
Aug. 24	Franklin (scrimmage)	Franklin	TBA
Aug. 31	Troy	Salado	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	Riesel	at Riesel	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Open Week		
Sept. 21	Liberty Hill	Salado	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	Thorndale*	at Thorndale	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	Jarrell**	Salado	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	Rogers*	at Rogers	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Lexington*	Salado	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	Hutto*	at Hutto	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Academy*	Salado	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	Moody*	at Moody	7:30 p.m.

\* District Games

\*\* Homecoming Game

### Salado Junior Varsity Eagles & Intermediate Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	7TH	8TH	JV
Aug. 18	Crawford (scrimmage)	Salado			TBA
Aug. 24	Franklin (scrimmage)	at Franklin			TBA
Aug. 30	Troy	at Troy			7:30
Sept. 6	Riesel	Salado			TBA TBA 7:30
Sept. 13	Open Week				
Sept. 20	Liberty Hill	at Liberty Hill			TBA TBA 7:30
Sept. 27	Thorndale	Salado	5:00	6:00	7:30
Oct. 4	Jarrell	at Jarrell	5:00	6:00	7:30
Oct. 11	Rogers	Salado	5:00	6:00	7:30
Oct. 18	Lexington	at Lexington	5:00	6:00	7:30
Oct. 25	Hutto	Salado	5:00	6:00	7:30
Nov. 1	Academy	at Academy	5:00	6:00	7:30
Nov. 8	Moody	Salado	5:00	6:00	7:30

Seth Dady will be the ex out.

Evan Durham will anchor the offense at center, joined by Bill Tubbs and Cale Cox on the right side guard and tackle and Ben Marsh and Randy Tubbs

on the left side guard and tackle. Garret Quarles will be tight end.

The defense will include Aldo Rocha at nose guard, Ryon Clifton, right tackle, Evan Durham, left tackle, John Kirk and Brad Ray,

ends; Alex Torres and Matt Ward, safeties. Garret Quarles is free safety and Fran Ruiz is strong safety.

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# YOUR MONEY

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## Whitehouse policy advisor spoke at Texas Education Summit

Leslie Sanchez, Director of the Whitehouse Initiative on Educational Excellence, spoke to the state's first *No Child Left behind State Education Summit* on Saturday, August 18 at the Texas State Capitol.



First Row: Jean Westerberg, Salado; Carol Allred, Harker Heights. Second Row: Ruby Nell Field, Salado; Marie Jackson, Salado. Third Row: Leslie Sanchez, Director of the Whitehouse Initiative on Educational Excellence; Tony Garza, Railroad Commissioner; Marie Martch, Belton.

The non-partisan summit provided a forum for parents, elected officials, teachers and community leaders to review education-related policy proposals being discussed both locally and nationally. The objective was to promote public discussion of ways to enhance accountability and achievement in public schools. The Summit was held in the House Chambers and a reception honoring "My Favorite Teacher" followed in the State Agriculture Museum. Special guest and speakers attended a get acquainted luncheon in Secretary of State, Henry Cuellar's conference room.

Ms. Sanchez outlined the Bush initiative for education; Railroad Commissioner Tony Garza discussed to economic impact on the State without an educated populace; and Dr

Ann Stuart, Chancellor and President of Texas Women's University lead a panel discussion of initiatives designed to achieve Governor Perry's "Closing the Gap's" directive.

Bell County residents joining Republican and Democrat Texas House and Senate leaders; professional educators and members of the State Board of Education included Presidents, Nancy Mayer of Central Texas RW and Marie Jackson of the Salado RW, as well as

members from each club. Marie Martch was a member of the Summit planning committee and Judge Jon Burrows was a member of the panel responsible for selecting the Texas "My Favorite Teacher."

State Board of Education Chairman, Grace Shore, presented the "My Favorite Teacher Award" for the 2000-2001 school year to Donald King, El Paso. The four regional winners were Betty Shelton, Tyler; Donald King,

El Paso; Julie Kelly, Houston; and Cynthia Herin, Corpus Christi.

The Texas Federation of Republican Women hosted this event in its continuing effort to promote high standards, accountability and excellence in Texas public schools.

Bell County, Central Texas and Salado Republican Women's Clubs are actively involved in the education of Bell County students through their mentoring and scholarship programs.

## Investment tips for a bear market

While the current U.S. economy continues to be in its worst slump in a decade, the consensus among leading economists is that we'll avoid a full-blown recession.

In a bear market, there is a decline of 20 percent or more in the Dow Jones Industrial Average or the Standard & Poor's 500 Stock Index.

There have been 12 bear stock markets since the crash of 1929. The aver-

age bear market has stuck around for 18 months; the longest was the 1929-32 bear market, which lasted 34 months. During that period, the Dow fell 89 percent. In the 1973-74 bear the Dow lost 45 percent of its value.

But remember: Every bear market eventually ends and stocks climb to new, higher levels. It's just a matter of waiting the cycle out.

What investment strat-

egies provide the best defense against bear market conditions? Consider the following:

- **Allocate assets.** Spread your money across a number of asset classes. Rather than just put it in stocks, put some in bonds and save the rest.
- **Diversify.** Divide your money among several investments within an asset class — a mix of stock mutual funds, for instance.

• **Try dollar-cost averaging.** When you invest in regular intervals, in a 401(k) plan, for instance, that sum buys more shares in a bear market (when the price of shares is declining) and fewer shares in a bull market (when shares are climbing).

• **Stay invested.** The bear market will end and stocks will resume their climb.



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## Jim Patterson Golf Tournament

The Jim Patterson Memorial Golf Tournament benefiting the Central Texas Baylor Scholarship Fund will be held 1 p.m. Sept. 21 at Salado's Mill Creek Golf Club. It will feature the new nine holes recently opened. The awards presentation and light supper will follow at 5:30 p.m. on

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Entry Fee, \$50 per player, includes green fee, cart, range balls, refreshments on the course and prizes.

Contest will include: closest to the hole and most accurate long drive. A hole-in-one will win a

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Awards include three top teams winning cash; drawing for interest on \$1,000,000 for a day. Round of golf for 4 with cart at Mill Creek Golf Club among other prizes.

Entry Deadline is Sept. 14. Spots are limited. Mulligans will be sold at two for \$5. The Mul-

ligans tickets will be used for the drawings.

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## Fewell petitions to play in Jarrell

BY TIM FLEISCHER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Former Salado High School quarterback Stephen Fewell will play varsity sports for the Jarrell Cougars in District 26AA, after an appeal by the District UIL Committee fell through.

The District UIL Committee appealed a ruling

by UIL to grant a waiver allowing the junior to compete at the varsity level even though he lives outside the school district.

The request for an appeal came after the 20-days following the waiver during which appeals may be made.

Salado ISD Superintendent Robin Battershell told *Salado Village Voice* that the school district did not receive notice of the waiver until after the 20 days expired. "This is not rare for this to happen, because oftentimes the 'receiving' school will get notice of

the waiver, but the 'sending' school will not," she said.

Dr. Battershell said that she and Athletic Director Jeff Cheatham took information to the District Committee two weeks ago to appeal the waiver by UIL.

Even though the District Committee missed the 20-day appeals period, UIL ruled that it would allow the appeal to continue if it was based on "hard and irrefutable evidence," Dr. Battershell said.

Because the District Committee did not have the necessary evidence to continue with the appeal, it was dropped.

Stephen Fewell's father, Randy Fewell, left Salado ISD to teach and coach in Jarrell High School. He taught and coached in Salado for six years, including football, basketball and track.

Stephen started both offensively and defensively on varsity football and in basketball last year. He ran varsity track, qualifying for the Regional Meet.

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## Cross train for best overall results

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### Answer:

People that get into running are obviously people who LIKE to run. Unfortunately, some of these people don't do much of anything else, and over a period of time can run into problems.

I suggest that anyone engaged in a primary workout activity like running should cross-train. Some good cross-training exercises for runners include roller blading, cycling, playing tennis or weight training.

Running is a linear motion; your body moves

### From Start to Fitness

by Kelly Griffin, B.S., C.S.C.S.



forward in a straight line. The primary movers of the legs during running are the quadriceps, hamstrings, glutes and calves. The other muscles that stabilize the joints don't get much training, and therefore can become weak. Cross-training with specific exercises that strengthen these stabilizing muscles will benefit you the most.

Here a couple cross-training exercises that runners should do:

- Start by lying on the floor on your right side with your hips stacked. Let your left leg bend, and

rest it on the floor in front of your right leg (which is straight). Without letting your hips move, lift your right leg up off the floor. You should feel the inner thigh of your right leg working. Place your right leg back on the floor and repeat 15 times. Switch to the other side and repeat.

- For the outer thigh, here's an exercise you do standing up, working both legs at the same time: Stand with your feet shoulder-distance apart and your hands on your hips. Shift all of your weight to your right leg, letting your left toe touch the floor for bal-

ance. Keeping your hips parallel to the floor and your left leg straight with toes forward, lift your left foot about 12 inches off the floor. Let just your toes touch on the way down. Repeat this 15 times and switch legs. You should feel this exercise in both hips.

If you run (or engage in some other primary workout activity) three times a week, I recommend cross-training twice a week. Cross-train once a week if you run less than three times in a given week.

Understanding the importance of cross-training can keep you from running into problems later. The key is to pick exercises that support your primary workout activity.

*Kelly Griffin B.S., C.S.C.S., is a personal trainer and the owner of Power Break Fitness.*

## Palpitations mean different things to different people

### Dear Dr. Donohue:

My mother, 84, says she has palpitations. I am not sure what she means, and I am not sure of their significance. Neither is she. I ask her to be more specific, but she says she is as specific as she can be. Will you shine some light on this? I don't know if she needs to see a doctor.

### Answer:

"Palpitations" is a word that leaves everyone in a fog. It means different things to different people. I'd like to erase it from the English language.

For some, it is nothing more than an awareness of their heartbeat. For others, it means a thud felt in the chest in the general area of

### To Your Good Health

by Paul G. Donohue, M.D.



the heart. Still others use it to describe a fluttering or pounding chest sensation.

The significance of palpitations depends on the precise nature of those palpitations.

If a person uses it to describe a palpable heartbeat, then it is a nothing condition.

If a person uses it to describe a thud felt in the chest from time to time,

the cause could be premature beats, extra heartbeats sandwiched between two normal heartbeats. At age 84, premature beats deserve a doctor's evaluation.

If the person feels faint or woozy, that person ought to run to the nearest doctor. Such palpitations could be serious and even potentially deadly heart-rhythm disturbances.

Your mother's age calls

for a doctor appointment. As luck has it, people with complaints like hers almost never have them when they visit the doctor. That can be handled by having the person wear a heart monitor that captures all abnormal heartbeats for a full day or even longer.

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## Five "Calcium Stealers" you should know about

Although public awareness of calcium's role in preventing osteoporosis has increased in recent years, many adults still consume only half of the recommended daily intake of 1,000 to 1,200 mg of calcium, according to the National Osteoporosis Foundation.

When you don't get enough calcium from your diet, the body will take the calcium it needs from your bones, eventually leading to bone porosity or osteoporosis. We're finding that not just one but a number of lifestyle habits may lead to calcium deficiency.

To arm consumers with information on bone loss prevention, people should know the following "secret stealers" of calcium.

**1. Lack of vitamin D** - A recent study from Har-

vard Medical School found that 30 to 40 percent of people in the United States might be vitamin D deficient. Vitamin D is necessary for the intestinal absorption of calcium.

**2. Too much salt** - A high sodium diet increases the loss of calcium and other minerals through the kidneys into the urine. Every two extra grams of dietary sodium decreases the amount of calcium absorbed by 30 to 40 mg.

**3. Some prescription drugs** - A number of prescription medications have been shown to interfere with calcium absorption, including diuretics, corticosteroids, anticonvulsants, immuno-suppressive medications, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, asthma medications with steroids, and a number

of antibiotics. Ask your doctor if your medication interferes with calcium absorption.

**4. Smoking/excessive drinking** - A number of studies have shown smoking accelerates bone loss and contributes to less efficient calcium absorption. In addition, drinking alcohol on a regular basis can break down bone mass in both men and women.

**5. Lack of exercise** - Individuals who get little or no exercise, especially weight bearing exercise, such as walking and weight lifting, and have inadequate calcium intake, are at risk for calcium depletion from the bones.

Extremely high protein intake or excessive consumption of caffeine or soda may also hinder calcium absorption.

A balanced diet rich in calcium, vitamin D and other nutrients, proper exercise and a healthy lifestyle are all ways to keep bones healthy.

Here are easy tips for meeting the daily recommended value of calcium:

- **Eat in small doses** - Calcium is absorbed best when consumed in small doses throughout the day. Consume calcium in 500 mg doses or less for optimal absorption.

- **Think dairy and green** - Low fat dairy products, such as skim milk, yogurt, cheese and ice cream and dark green, leafy vegetables are the best food sources of calcium.

- **Try something new** - Eat calcium fortified foods including orange juice, cereals and breads.

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## Businesses participate in American Heart Walk

Step by step, Temple and Belton companies and businesses will make a lasting impression in the fight against heart disease and stroke-America's leading cause of death and disability - by participating in The Chaplain Wilson Keenan American Heart Walk. The event will be held 8 a.m. Oct. 6, at The University of Mary Hardin Baylor.

The American Heart Walk is a national American Heart Association event held in over 1,000 locations nationwide and has raised more than \$170 million since 1994. This year's goal is \$87 million to be raised by over 500,000 participants nationwide.

"Supporting the American Heart Walk makes good business sense," said Roscoe Harrison, President of the Tem-Bel Division American Heart Association Board of Directors, "The economic cost of heart disease and stroke in 2000 totaled an estimated \$326.6 billion for medical and healthcare expenses and lost produc-

tivity due to disability. Participating companies also benefit from a renewed sense of camaraderie and boosts to employee morale reported by walking teams."

Cardiovascular disease, which includes heart disease and stroke, is the number one killer in the nation and in Texas. Each year, over 58,000 Texas residents die from cardiovascular disease-that translates into two of every five deaths in Bell County, 578 people (40 percent of the people that died) died from cardiovascular disease.

Participants of all ages will join in the fun 5K walk as members of company-based walking teams. Don't be surprised if you see red heart disease, stroke and heart surgery survivors. They will be honored with special red caps to show that they're fighting back against these deadly diseases.

The event participants are raising funds to support American Heart Association research and education programs... helping

every step of the way. In return for these efforts, each walker who raises \$50 and more will earn an American Heart Walk T-shirt and other great thank-you prizes.

For information, call your American Heart Association at (254) 299-0880.

With more than four million volunteers, the American Heart Association is the largest volunteer health organization fighting heart disease and stroke, which annually claims more than 950,000 American lives. During fiscal year 2000-2001, the American Heart Association spent more than \$312 million for research support, public and professional education, and community programs.

Get emergency medical help fast if you feel any of these warning signs of a heart attack:

- \* Uncomfortable pressure, fullness, squeezing or pain in the center of the chest that lasts more than a few minutes, or goes away and comes back.

- \* Pain that spreads to

the shoulders, neck or arms.

- \* Chest discomfort with light-headedness, fainting, sweating, nausea or shortness of breath.

Women may feel less common warning signs of heart attack:

- \* Unusual chest pain, stomach or abdominal pain.

- \* Nausea or dizziness.

- \* Shortness of breath and difficulty breathing.

- \* Unexplained anxiety, weakness or fatigue.

- \* Increased heart rate, cold sweat or paleness.

Get emergency medical help fast if you feel any of these warning signs of a stroke:

- \* Sudden numbness or weakness of face, arm leg, especially on one side of the body.

- \* Sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding.

- \* Sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes.

- \* Sudden trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination.

- \* Sudden severe headaches with no known cause.

## Watch for any signs of West Nile virus in state

A dead bird on the ground is not a sight that captures most people's immediate attention. But to officials at the Texas Department of Health (TDH), such a situation is high on the list that sparks interest and activates disease surveillance activities.

Checking dead birds, especially crows and blue jays, is one of several monitoring systems in place in Texas to detect if West

Nile virus is introduced to the state, said Julie Rawlings of TDH's Infectious Disease Epidemiology and Surveillance Division. Others include testing mosquitoes, maintaining flocks of chickens for testing at strategic sites in the state, working with veterinarians who treat horses and checking tests of people hospitalized with symptoms of encephalitis.

The West Nile virus, closely related to both St.

Louis encephalitis (SLE) and dengue viruses, was first seen in the United States along the East Coast in 1999. Now the virus has been reported in states ranging from New York and New Hampshire southward to Georgia and Florida.

Wild birds are the principal hosts for mosquito-borne encephalitis viruses. Mosquitoes feed on infected birds, then transmit the serious, some-

times deadly organism to humans and animals. These diseases include SLE and West Nile infectious along with both western and eastern equine encephalomyelitis. The illness is not spread from person to person or from bird to human.

Testing birds that have recently died is critical to the West Nile virus surveillance, Rawlings said. Unlike other encephalitis

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The 5-week grief

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The groups will meet on Tue. 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m. in Temple, VistaCare Hospice Conference Room, 819 S. 5th beginning Sept.

4. The Killeen session will be on Tuesday 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m. at Metroplex Administration Board Room, 2201 S. Clear Creek Road.

There is no charge for the session; however, space is limited. Please contact Rosa Hernandez, Bereavement Coordinator

for Vista Care Hospice, 819 S. 5th, Temple, Tx. 76504 at (254) 742-2000 or (800) 643-3139 to register or for additional information on other upcoming grief support. You may also contact Community Relations Department at Metroplex to register.

## Herniated nucleus pulposus, better known as herniated disc

By SHIRLEY LYNCH, D.C.

Slipped disc, herniated disc, protruding disc are all common terms for a medical condition known as herniated nucleus pulposus (HNP). The disc is a soft cushion between each vertebral segment. It consists of a fibrous outer layer and a soft, jelly-like center. It acts as a shock absorber between the vertebrae in the spine. As we sleep, the disc is nourished and hydrated by fluids.

A disc will "slip" or herniate when unusual mechanical stress is put upon the spine. The soft, jelly-like center "oozes" or "leaks" through the fibrous outer layer. This occurs when a spinal vertebral unit has been in a misaligned position for awhile.

### Chiropractic Wellness Care

by Shirley Lynch, D.C.



Have you heard of the person that bent over to pick up an item as small as a pencil or piece of paper and could not straighten up because of severe pain in the low back area? This type of spinal injury is not the result of lifting the weight of the pencil or paper. The vertebral unit has been out of alignment for awhile, sometimes years. The item picked up is the proverbial straw that broke the

camel's back. Inquiries into this person's medical history will reveal some event, years ago, such as a motor vehicle accident, slip/trip/fall or other event that caused some back pain for awhile, "then it went away and I felt fine."

The body compensates for this spinal injury, usually remodeling the soft tissue to correspond to the misaligned vertebra. Life goes on and one day, without warning, the back goes

out. Herniated discs will heal on their own, given time and proper treatment. The body walls off the protrusion and eventually re-absorbs the herniation. Usually no lasting damage is done.

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## Six tips for children and adults participating in physical activity during hot summer days

The effects of the extreme Texas heat are apparent to everyone who has lived in Texas during August; however, many people are unaware that these effects are even more severe in children and adolescents.

Children tend to absorb more heat on hot days, and even produce more heat that adults while exercising. Also, children and adolescents are not able to sweat as much as adults, which reduces their ability to cool off.

Now that children are heading back to school and participating in outdoor athletic training and recreation, there are several important points parents, teachers and coaches must keep in mind to prevent a child from suffering a heat-related illness. Below are recommenda-

tions from the American Academy of Pediatrics for children and adolescents participating in physical activity during the last days of the hot summer:

1. The intensity and length of practices may need to be shortened whenever extremes of heat, sun and/or humidity are present. One way of increasing rest periods on a hot day is to substitute players frequently. Also, add frequent water breaks during practice.

2. At the beginning of a strenuous exercise program, the intensity and duration of exercise should be limited initially and then gradually increased during a period of 10 to 14 days to accomplish acclimatization to the heat. When such a period is not available, the length of time for participants

during practice and competition should be curtailed. Football players should not wear full pads during the first practices.

3. Before prolonged physical activity, the child should be well hydrated. During the activity, periodic drinking should be enforced (eg; each 20 minutes 5 oz of cold tap water or a commercially available sports beverage for a child weighing 88 lbs and 9 oz for an adolescent 132 lbs), even if the child does not feel thirsty. Encourage athletes to eat and drink adequately in the recovery periods between practices.

4. Clothing should be light-colored and lightweight and limited to one layer of absorbent material to allow sweat to evaporate. Sweat-saturated garments should be replaced

by dry garments. Rubberized sweat suits should never be used to produce loss of weight.

5. Move practices to the early morning and evening, times of day that typically are not as hot.

6. If a child seems to be suffering during practices or games, move them to a cooler and shady place, and cool with water sprays or fans. Allow them to lie down, and remove protective equipment (for example helmet, shoulder pads, jersey.) If necessary, place them in cool water. In an emergency, pack the child with ice and contact a physician.

By following these recommendations, we can ensure children and adolescents can exercise and train in extreme heat, while protecting their health.

## Beating birth defects by taking a vitamin everyday

Evidence shows that taking a vitamin every day can help decrease a person's risk of having a child born with a life-long birth defect.

Spina bifida is the most common, permanently disabling birth defect in the United States. The condition which occurs in one out of every 1,000 births, involves an incomplete closure of the spine. Symptoms vary from paralysis, to loss of bowel and bladder control, to learning disabilities.

However, many people with spina bifida lead full and productive lives.

Recent studies have shown that women who take a multivitamin with 400 micrograms of the B-vitamin, folic acid, every day can reduce the risk of spina bifida in offspring by as much as 75 percent. Additional studies indicate that men may be able to reduce the chances of birth defects in their offspring by taking the vitamin as well.

Women who have a child with spina bifida or have spina bifida themselves need ten times more folic acid, 4,000 micrograms, by prescription to reduce the risk of having another pregnancy affected by spina bifida.

According to the Spina Bifida Association of America, folic acid helps build healthy cells. The process is cumulative and takes time.

Since birth defects like spina bifida occur during

the first month of pregnancy, before most women know they are pregnant, it is important for both men and women to take the vitamin every day.

Taking folic acid before and during pregnancy is no guarantee, but it can help reduce the risk of birth defects like spina bifida.

For more information, call the Spina Bifida Association of America at 1-800-621-3141, e-mail sbaa@sbaa.org or visit the Web site at www.sbaa.org

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## The assault on marriage

The other day I noticed a photo in the newspaper. It was entitled "Same-Sex Marriage" It depicted what appeared to be two men, smiling, surrounded by people with silly grins on their faces.

But no, after reading the caption under the photo I learned that these two "men" were, in fact, women—lesbians dressed as men—and that the ceremony had taken place in Germany.

In the United States, the assault on marriage, as traditionally understood, scored its first victory on Dec. 20, 1999, when the Vermont Supreme Court decided that the Vermont Constitution required that the state grant marriage licenses to same-sex couples or else accord them all the legal benefits accruing to marriage. The Vermont Legislature chose the latter, establishing the institution of "civil union." It did so even though polls showed that the population overwhelmingly opposed it. A number of legislators voted for civil unions because of indications that the state Supreme Court would order marriage if the alternative was rejected. "Civil unions" are at least quasi-marriages.

Princeton professor of jurisprudence Robert P. George, in the July 23 issue of National Review points out that: "The Vermont law, which took effect on July 1, 2000, contained no residency requirements for

### Commentary

by Jeffrey Hart



**The first three words of the U.S. Constitution are the most important: "We the people..."**

entering into a civil union. In the first six months, over 1,500 couples entered into civil unions. Only 338 involved at least one Vermont resident." As the law then stood, other states could have been forced to recognize their Vermont status.

But Congress stepped in and passed, and President Clinton signed, the Defense of Marriage Act, which defines marriage as being between a man and a woman as far as federal law is concerned, and it declares that no state is required to recognize another state's same-sex marriages.

But the beat goes on. Activists are agitating for a move to persuade the U.S. Supreme Court to declare the Defense of Marriage Act unconstitutional. It is possible they will succeed, in the opinion of Professor George.

There are important things at stake in this liti-

gious chaos.

First of all, marriage as understood for millennia has been an important social institution, and there is no reason to blur its definition. To call different things by the same name is illogical and unjust. It implies that these different things are equal, when they are not. Homosexuals, if you wish, can enter private arrangements, sign contracts with each other, write wills and so forth. Instead, they are aggressively pursuing their misinterpretation of marriage through the courts, hoping, as in Vermont, to find a sympathetic judiciary.

But there is remedy. The first three words of the U.S. Constitution are the most important: "We the people..."

George urges that we the people pass the 28th Amendment to the Constitution reading 'Marriage in the United States shall consist only of the union of a man and a woman.'

It is a sign of our times that it probably will require an amendment to the Constitution to state the obvious and rein in dictatorial courts attempting to govern by judicial fiat.

## A straight answer to this year's surplus: A paltry \$1 Billion! Source: White House Budget Chief

Finally, a straight answer to the important question: "Exactly how many dollars are currently projected for the 2001 federal "surplus" fund account!" And, it's official: **A shockingly low \$1 billion!**

This information did not come from bomb-throwing liberals in Congress or the "anti establishment" media gang. No sir, the facts were developed and made public by Mitch Daniels, director of the White House Office of Management and Budget.

So, what happened to this year's \$158 billion dollar surplus that had been bandied about for weeks? Answer: \$157 billion of that total is social security and medicare payments headed for the Social Security-Medicare Trust Funds and according to promises made by congress and the President, not to be used to pay for general governmental operating expenses. **Or will this be just another broken campaign promise?**

Causes of 2001's highly touted \$281 billion surplus to sink to \$158 billion include a \$46 billion shortfall in federal tax revenues due to the recession; \$68 billion in current tax refunds to individuals and corporations and \$9 billion for special defense needs and agricultural subsidies.

### 10 YEAR SURPLUS PROJECTION WAY DOWN

President Bush's budget office also noted that the **projected 10 year "surplus" had also dwindled** - like the precious days in the "September Song" - **from the original \$5.6 trillion; later to \$3.1 trillion and now down to \$575 billion - unless the social security-medicare trust funds are raided!**

How to pay for the 10 year tax reduction law already in effect, plus whittling away at the national debt with the all-but-vanished "surplus" are questions that will be difficult ones for the President and his men, as they maneuver through the minefield of Democratic rhetoric about "massive tax cuts" to be paid with "massive surpluses!" Numbers that were considered spurious at best and have now been cut by 90 percent!

Also be interesting to see how Bush and congress get around their promises to hold inviolable the social security-medicare trust funds.

### HELMS-THURMOND TO LEAVE SENATE

In any modern political dictionary worth its salt - you can look up the word "**curmudgeon**" and find pictures of the **Carolina's two contributions to the U. S. Senate - Jesse Helms (R-North Carolina) and Strom Thurmond (R-South Carolina).**

These two GOP extremists, who delight in making life as miserable as possible for Democrats and other liberals of low birth - are finally retiring after their current terms expire in 16 months.

It would be hard to imagine the scrambling going on in both Democratic and Republican circles in North and South Carolina as those State's politicians seek winning standard bearers to succeed these two hard liners who have reportedly held their Confederate money in the belief the old south will rise again. **Actually at their age and gait they do look like a couple of veterans from the battles of Bull Run and Gettysburg.**

Much will be reported concerning the careers of both these political dinosaurs. Thurmond, at 98, is the oldest member in Senate history. He gave notice earlier this year that he would retire on December 31, 2002 and last Wednesday, Helms told his fellow Tar Heels that he too, was hanging it up after 30 years of representing the grouchy, strident wing of the Grand Old Party.

### Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



**Administration admits new 10 year surplus estimates have dropped from \$3.1 trillion to \$575 billion -unless social security-medicare trust funds are raided!**

It has always been puzzling to see Helms-the-Malcontent chairing the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. The word really should be "incongruent," since he despises the United Nations; battles against most foreign aid projects; feels isolationism is superior to global meddling; opposes all arms control treaties and is a steady grumbler and fault-finder of the State Department!

With a new day dawning in the Carolinas - the obvious question is who will follow these pending pensioners. Not much movement yet in South Carolina but to the north there is rustling in the hustings, with Elizabeth Dole the one to watch.

It is apparent the 65 year old "Libby" will run since she has already changed her legal voting residence from Kansas to North Carolina. To win, she will need to overcome the appearance of being ill at ease when not in a closely controlled speaking situation.

Some disrespectful Washington wags have opined that she may appear happier and less domineering to voters now that her once dour husband Bob, is having so much fun with his Viagra commercials.

### RIGGED SS COMMITTEE

If you have been harboring a faint hope that the Blue Ribbon "Commission To Strengthen Social Security" will come up with a few trailblazing break-through ideas or even a minor adventure into the unknown - forget it!

Presidential Executive Order 13210, that set up the special commission, **requires a final report that must propose creation of voluntary individual investment accounts.** Then to nail all this down, Bush set about putting Commissioners in place that agreed with these results before any hearings or discussion took place!

**Nothing like hearing the verdict before the case goes to the jury!**

End result will be about as exciting as watching reruns of "Gilligan's Island" and about as worthwhile. One very real disappointment is former New York Democratic Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan's willingness to chair this group. We know he favors privatizing some social security but most observers believed he would look into a variety of ways and means to keep the retirement program afloat.

However, if he follows the President's dictums, he will have to prostitute his sense of integrity and history of securing all the facts on any subject before making a final recommendation.

Look for a fancy looking report from the President's Committee on Social Security - but we can save you the time needed to read the manuscript. It will say - "We favor letting folks put some of their social security contributions into individual investment accounts" and despite the drooling over this by those who will profit at the Wall Street level - **this report needs to be shelved before someone takes it seriously.**

That's -30-

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# Prescription for Medicare

## Capitol Comment



Kay Bailey Hutchison  
U.S. Senator



Thirty-six years ago, when Medicare was created to provide health coverage for elderly Americans, hospital stays and doctors' treatments were the most costly portion of the care that was to be provided. Prescription drugs represented only a small percentage of medical expenditures.

Today, that picture is very different. Nearly 400 new drugs have been developed in the last decade alone to fight diseases such as cancer, heart disease, diabetes and arthritis. While the drugs themselves are expensive, their use has proven to save health-care dollars in the long run.

Take, for example, anti-coagulants: A year's worth of these blood-thinning agents, which help prevent the recurrence of strokes, costs \$1,000. Compare that to \$100,000 in lifetime costs for taking care of an individual who has suffered a stroke. Similarly, the new 'H2 antagonist' drugs are used to treat ulcers in patients who otherwise would need surgery costing \$28,000 or more. A year's worth of such drugs can cost \$900.

Medicare would pay for the ulcer surgery. But Medicare does not provide prescription drug coverage. Although two-thirds of seniors have private, supplementary coverage that helps with the cost of prescription drugs, the other third are paying 100 percent of their escalating drug costs. It is unfortunate that while more than 98 percent of employer-sponsored health plans pay for prescription drugs, Medicare's benefit package has yet to be updated to include this benefit.

Congress and the Bush administration are trying to figure out the best way to address this situation. We are looking for a way to provide prescription drugs to those who need them but are unable to afford them. We must be careful to design a plan that is responsible, and tailored to those who truly need the help. Seniors who are happy with their existing coverage should not be forced into a more costly, one-size-fits-all government program.

Nor should the elderly be handed a government program that decides which drugs they may and may not have. Such decisions are best made by doctors

and patients, not an anonymous bureaucrat in Washington.

An effective prescription drug benefit proposal has to meet certain criteria for common sense and effectiveness. Government should not set up a plan that would duplicate coverage that already exists in the private sector. Nor should we have to wait five or 10 years for a plan to take effect.

The approach I favor would have two main components:

- \* It has to provide immediate assistance to the states to expand or initiate their prescription drug support programs for moderate to low-income seniors. In many states these programs have put needed drugs within the reach of many elderly individuals who otherwise were going without. We should provide immediate and ongoing relief to the millions of seniors currently forced to pay retail prices for prescription drugs.

- \* There should be a Medicare prescription drug benefit as part of a broader Medicare modernization plan that gives seniors more choice and control over their health care.

To accomplish this, the president has proposed making available to Medicare beneficiaries a prescription drug discount card, either free or for a nominal fee, sponsored and administered by private entities.

Medicare would then require the card sponsors to publish the discounted prices for most prescription drugs purchased by seniors, to encourage competition. Ultimately, well-informed buyers will push the market toward more competitive pricing for everyone, whether on Medicare or covered by other insurance.

Today, medical advances mean patients can be treated at home or in the doctor's office, and the emphasis has shifted to preventative care. Still more effective prescription drugs are expected to be available to the elderly in the years ahead to help treat breast and prostate cancer, Alzheimer's disease and diabetes. We need to strengthen the system and make it as modern and effective as 21st century medicine.

# FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



## Where is the money going?

By Dr. Robin Battershell, Ed.D.  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

## Supt's Corner

Dr. Robin Battershell

It appears that school districts are asking tax payers for more and more money. Why? I was reading the Austin paper this week, and it published the tax rates for Austin ISD and eight surrounding school districts. Except for Austin ISD, every district in Travis and Williamson counties has proposed a tax increase this year and many are setting the new rate at or slightly less than the rollback limit to avoid an election.

If a district's tax rate is more than the limit, a rollback election is automatic. The limit varies from district to district and is calculated using the previous year's income and the current year's estimated enrollment.

School districts are grappling with increased demands for services, higher enrollments, exorbitant insurance rates, competitive salary demands, and higher utility and gasoline costs.

Federal and state governments continue to place additional educational and programmatic requirements on school districts, including but not limited to drug education programs, health/AIDS/sex education, con-

flict resolution, gifted and talented education, English as a Second Language (ESL), 504, at-risk programs, Title I reading/mathematics, and dyslexia programs. Many of these are unfunded mandates. We service approximately 31 dyslexic students in our school district and receive no additional funding for this program. Salado ISD has 28 students who qualify for ESL programs and we receive approximately \$7,000 to serve these students. In Salado ISD, expenditures increase by an average of 7-9 percent each year.

Insurance rates are increasing by 9 percent this coming year, and this cost is passed onto our staff.

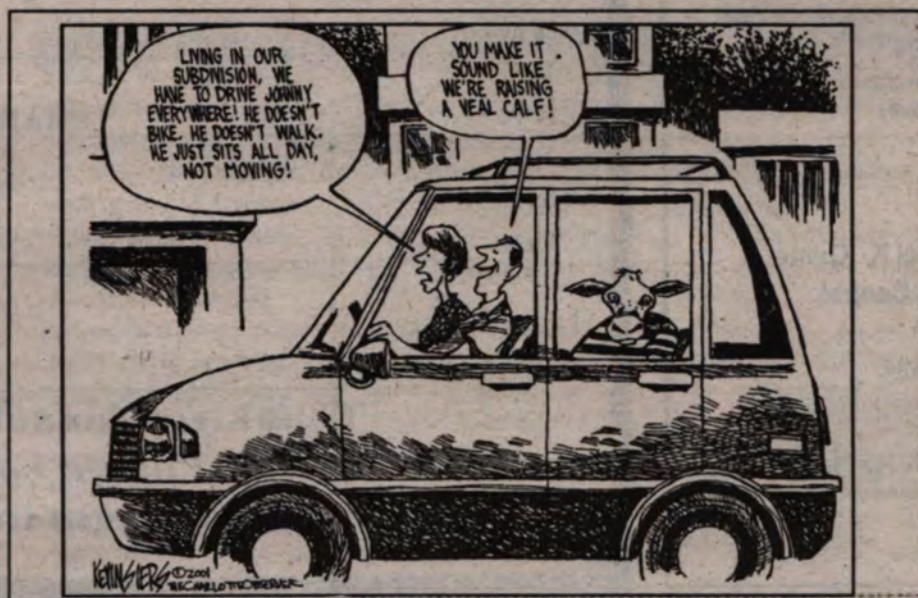
School districts are raising salaries and providing signing bonuses and incentive plans to attract and retain quality teachers. I recently spoke with Hutto ISD. They are raising their beginning teacher's salaries to \$30,000 in order to keep up with the beginning teacher's salaries in surrounding school dis-

tricts. Districts are providing signing bonuses of \$1,000-plus and pay increases of \$2,000 to attract teachers in critical shortage teaching fields such as mathematics, science, special education, and ESL.

In addition to these needs, utility and fuel costs are rising sharply. Every time the school is used for school or community events, the District, thus your tax dollars, pays for these costs.

I have been in education for 20 years. District budgets continue to increase but yet they become leaner and leaner. This appears to be an oxymoron. However, when I began in education, we always had unrestricted funds to take care of enrichment activities or emergencies. These days are long gone. Districts have very little, if any cushion, in their budgets.

Questions may be addressed to Dr. Battershell at P.O. Box 98, Salado, TX 76571.



## THE B-1 FIASCO KEEPS FLYING



Jim Hightower

They say that the only two certainties in life are death and taxes, but Washington has added a third certainty: tax-eating boondoggles that won't die.

Take the B-1 bomber... please. This stealth bomber, which was designed to penetrate Soviet airspace undetected, has sopped up multiple billions of our tax dollars to fight an enemy that is now considered our ally. The bomber is notorious within the military as a bumbler -- it turned out to be vulnerable to Soviet air defenses, it wasn't stealthy, it had a steady history of equipment failures, and intended to crash, and -- get ready -- it couldn't fly in the snow.

Hello... the Soviet Union has lots and lots of snow. Yet, this bomb of a bomber is still around. Nixon launched the B-1, Carter killed it, Reagan revived it, and both Bush-the-Elder and Clinton kept it alive.

We now have 93 of these lemons, costing \$200 million a pop to build, plus we pay many millions more every year to operate each one of them.

At last, though, the Pentagon has proposed a modest cutback in this embarrassing waste of tax dollars, asking congress to mothball a third of the planes and consolidate the five B-1 bases into two.

This hardly amounts to killing-off such a costly failure, but at least it's a gesture to fiscal and military sanity. Unfortunately, sanity is not always welcome in Congress, and the proposed B-1 reduction has created a firestorm of protest by lobbyists for the corporations that assemble this boondoggle, and by Congress critters from the five states where the plane is based. Indeed, House Republicans have passed an amendment that actually prohibits any cuts to the B-1 program.

Surely there are one or two real needs in America that could be addressed, rather than continuing to shove millions of dollars into a plane that isn't needed, isn't wanted, and doesn't work. To help end this fiasco and raise a flag of sanity in Washington, contact POGO, the Project On Government Oversight: 202-466-5539

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To detect West Nile virus, TDH is concentrating on monitoring mosquito species likely to feed on birds migrating from the northeastern United States through the Gulf Coast. Most of the surveillance will be in the eastern

third of the state, generally in the counties east of the I-35 corridor.

Areas involved in the monitoring system include Chambers, Galveston, Brazoria, Nueces, Kebleger, Kennedy, Cameron and Hidalgo counties. Harris County has its own monitoring system. In addition, testing for West Nile virus is now included in the long established monitoring programs in Brazos, Dallas, El Paso, Jefferson, Orange, Lubbock and Wichita counties. Also, city and county health departments, public health regions, military installations, universities and other local mosquito control programs send

specimens to the TDH Laboratory for identification, Rawlings said.

Daily during late spring, summer and fall, the TDH Laboratory receives box after box of cylinders filled with dozens of lively mosquitoes. More than 200,000 mosquito specimens are processed by the TDH Lab yearly, each carefully recorded and checked for disease. It's a major part of early warning system for encephalitis, helping prevent human outbreaks. Information from the testing allows local mosquito control personnel to reduce mosquito population in affected areas before people are exposed.

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Mild infections of SLE may occur with a fever and headache. West Nile infections are usually mild with flu-like symptoms including fever, headache, sore throat, body aches and fatigue, often with skin rash and swollen lymph glands. More severe infections of both SLE and West Nile may include headache, high fever, neck stiffness, disorientation, coma, tremors, convulsions, muscle weakness and in rare cases death.

People may reduce the risk of encephalitis by avoiding mosquito bites and reducing mosquito breeding sites, especially by eliminating standing water.

**Republican Women meet Sept. 11**

The Central Texas Republican Women will have their next meeting Sept. 11 at the Wildflower Country Club in Temple. The program includes Judge Greg Abbott and Land Commissioner David Dewhurst, both candidates for Lt. Governor of Texas as guest speakers.


There will be a question and answer session after each speaker's presentation. This will be a dinner meeting at 6 p.m. All members, guests and

the public are invited to the dinner. Reservations should be made by Sept. 7 by calling 254-899-2231 or sending \$15 per person to CTRW, 3609 Wolverine, Temple, Texas 76562.

**Genealogy Course taught by Hooverson at Civic Center**

Richard Hooverson will teach a genealogy course 6-8 p.m. Oct. 1, 2, 4, 9 and 11 at the Salado Civic Center. The course will consist of five sessions with two lectures per session. Infor-

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## Scholarship recipient overcomes obstacles

By Ken Camp

Don't call Yolanda Garcia "amazing." She hates it when people say that.

She sees herself as a typical 19-year-old college student who enjoys water skiing, rock climbing, attending Backstreet Boys concerts and hanging out with her friends.

Never mind that five years ago, she lost her right eye, or that two years later, she lost the remaining sight in her left eye. She refuses to let blindness define her.

"I'm just blind, that's all. It's just a characteristic I happen to have, like having brown hair. I still have a full life. I just do things differently," she said.

Garcia, a Texas Baptist Ethnic Missions Scholarship recipient who is entering the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor in Belton this fall, makes it clear that she recognizes the source of her zest for life.

"The Lord has given me everything I have and made me everything I am today. He is my strength, my courage, my spirit of life. He gives me the desire to keep on living a full life," she said.

God carried her through some "times of testing," she notes, times that began when she was in the fifth grade.

The first symptoms of failing health that her family noticed were when her ankles started swelling. As the swelling increased and symptoms spread, doctors offered an initial diagnosis of colitis, then influenza. They finally discovered a heart problem.

Next, she started showing signs pointing to glaucoma. At first, physicians

attributed the vision problems to steroids that she was taking for inflammation in the colon.

After extensive tests, specialists determined that she had ocular vasculitis-inflammation of the blood vessels around the optic nerve that cause a compressed blood flow to the eye.

In 1996, she lost the vision in her right eye. In the summer of 1998, just after she finished her sophomore year at Austin's Bowie High School, she lost her left eye.

In spite of that setback, she graduated on schedule with her class on her birthday in May 2000. That resilience and perseverance is just characteristic of who she is, her mother, who is also named Yolanda Garcia, noted.

"As a mother, I want to protect her, but she says, 'Back off,'" she said. "She has decided that she is going to live a normal life. That's the bottom line for her."

She attended a center for the blind in Rustin, La., where she learned to read Braille, to navigate with a cane, and to live independently.

At the same time, she learned important lessons from peers in the National Federation of the Blind, an organization in which she has become politically active at both the state and national level.

She also has continued to be actively involved at Iglesia Bautista Betania in Austin, where her grandfather, Ciro Garcia, has been pastor for 40 years. She grew up in the church, playing the role of baby Jesus in a Christmas pageant when she was an infant and assuming the role of Mary last year.



Ciro Garcia and Yolanda Garcia

She was president of the youth group at her church when she was in high school, and she in recent months she worked in the church nursery and with Vacation Bible School.

Several months ago, after reviewing several options for college, she announced her desire to attend the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, where both her mother and aunt were students.

"I wanted the small, nurturing atmosphere of a school where I actually would be seen as a person, not just a number," Garcia said. "I had always heard from my mom wonderful stories about Mary Hardin-Baylor."

Initially, her mother thought that the cost of higher education at a private religious school would be beyond their means. But financial aid officers at the university helped her find the funding needed.

One source of assistance is the Ethnic Missions Scholarship, made available through the Baptist General Convention of Texas to qualifying students attending Texas Baptist universities and seminaries. Texas Baptists help to provide the scholar-

ships through their gifts to the Mary Hill Davis Offering for Texas Missions.

"I'm really happy to be in a Christian atmosphere at Mary Hardin-Baylor," Garcia said. She plans to major in psychology and counseling, probably specializing in adolescent counseling. She added, "I'll get a master's degree, at least."

The Texas Commission for the Blind has helped her secure books on tape, a laptop computer with Braille screen, a scanner and other equipment needed for note taking and classroom work.

While she has learned to live with her blindness, other health problems continue. Last November, she had open-heart surgery to remedy a calcium buildup in the pericardium. She still deals with her body's inability to process calcium properly—a condition that doctors say is totally unrelated to the cause of her blindness.

But she refuses to pity herself, and she has little patience with those who see her as one to be pitied.

"There are people my age who are dying of cancer or AIDS. I'm not dying," she said. "I'm living a full life."

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HB 656 abolishes the statute of limitations for sexual assault-if DNA was collected and tested during the investigation without identifying a named suspect. It also increases the statute of limitations from five to 10 years for other sexual assaults.

\* SB 1380 requires DPS to use a registered sex offender's driver license photograph for the registered sex offender Web site and post card notification projects. It also requires sex offenders who are subject to registration to submit DNA samples to the DPS DNA database.

\* SB 654 requires sex offenders to disclose which professional licenses they currently hold or intend to seek, and directs DPS to forward that information to the appropriate licensing agency.

\* SB 199 creates a state offense (Class A misdemeanor) for possession of a firearm for an individual under a protective order or convicted of certain family violence offenses. (This is

already a federal offense.)

\* SB 139 adds e-mail, fax or pager harassment to the existing prohibition on telephone and written harassment. (Class B misdemeanor). It also increases the penalty for stalking from a Class A misdemeanor to a third degree felony.

\* SB 68 adds "dating violence" to the family violence protective order statute. (Minimum Class A misdemeanor.)

\* SB 18 prohibits interference with an emergency telephone call by threats or damage to the telephone. (Minimum Class A misdemeanor.)

\* HB 587 expands the definition of "hate crimes." It clarifies that the law applies to race, color, disability, religion, national origin (or ancestry), age, gender or sexual preference-when it is determined to be the reason a victim or their property was targeted in a crime. In those cases, the punishment can be enhanced one level under certain circumstances. The bill also provides for a "hate crimes"

protective order.

\* HB 195 requires a copy of an investigative report to be sent to DPS for analysis if the investigation involves thefts or frauds targeting the elderly.

\* HB 3351 makes it an offense to possess chemicals with the intent to manufacture a controlled substance (i.e. methamphetamine, crack cocaine, ecstasy). Punishments vary.

\* HB 776 creates a new database that will be used to record verified threats made against peace officers. It will be part of DPS' Texas Crime Information Center (TCIC) and will be electronically available through TLETS (Texas Law Enforcement Telecommunications System) to all peace officers in the course of their routine duties.

\* SB 795 provides for asset forfeiture for the profits received from the sale of notorious crime memorabilia.

\* HB 84 makes it a third degree felony for a convicted felon to possess metal or body armor

that is obviously designed, made, or adapted for the purpose of protecting a person against gunfire.

\* SB 1074 defines and prohibits racial profiling, setting forth broad guidelines for data collection on law enforcement traffic and pedestrian stops. If a statewide bond issue is approved by voters in November, DPS will administer an \$18.5 million grant to provide funding for county and municipal police agencies to purchase audio and video equipment to record traffic and pedestrian stops.

\* HB 1925 makes it a third degree felony to possess most weapons, including an illegal knife or club, within 1,000 feet of a place of execution on the day of the scheduled execution.

\* SB 214 increases the statute of limitations from three to 10 years for injury to a child, elderly individual or disabled individual.

The texts of these bills can be found at [www.capitol.state.tx.us](http://www.capitol.state.tx.us). Select the enrolled version.

## New traffic laws take effect Sept. 1

Driving-related legislation taking effect September 1, 2001:

\* HB 5 makes it a Class C misdemeanor to have open containers of alcohol in the passenger compartment of a motor vehicle. The new law also increases penalties for repeat DWI offenders. If a second DWI conviction takes place within five years, there is an automatic one-year driver license suspension-and the driver must have an ignition interlock installed on their vehicle for the year following

the suspension. During the suspension, the offender is not eligible for an occupational license.

\* HB 63 increases the driver license suspension period for a person who refuses to take the breath test or fails the breath test-and requires the arresting officer to confiscate their driver license on the spot. The suspension periods and enhanced punishments for repeat offenders were also increased. For example, for a first offense, the suspension period for refusing

a breath test will double from three months to six months. HB 63 also applies the Administrative License Revocation (ALR) <pr082301alr.htm> laws to boating while intoxicated if the suspect refuses a breath test.

\* SB 399 prohibits children under 18 from riding in the back of a pickup or flatbed truck. There are several notable exceptions, including if it is the only family vehicle or it is a government-sanctioned hayride. (The old law applied to children

under 12 years of age, and only if the vehicle was traveling more than 35 miles per hour.

\* SB 113, which:  
 \* Requires children under age 4, or less than 36 inches, to be restrained in an approved car seat. (The old law required car seats for children under 2 years of age.)

\* Requires all children ages 4 through 16 years old to use seat belts anywhere in the vehicle. (The old law only required seat belts for those 4  
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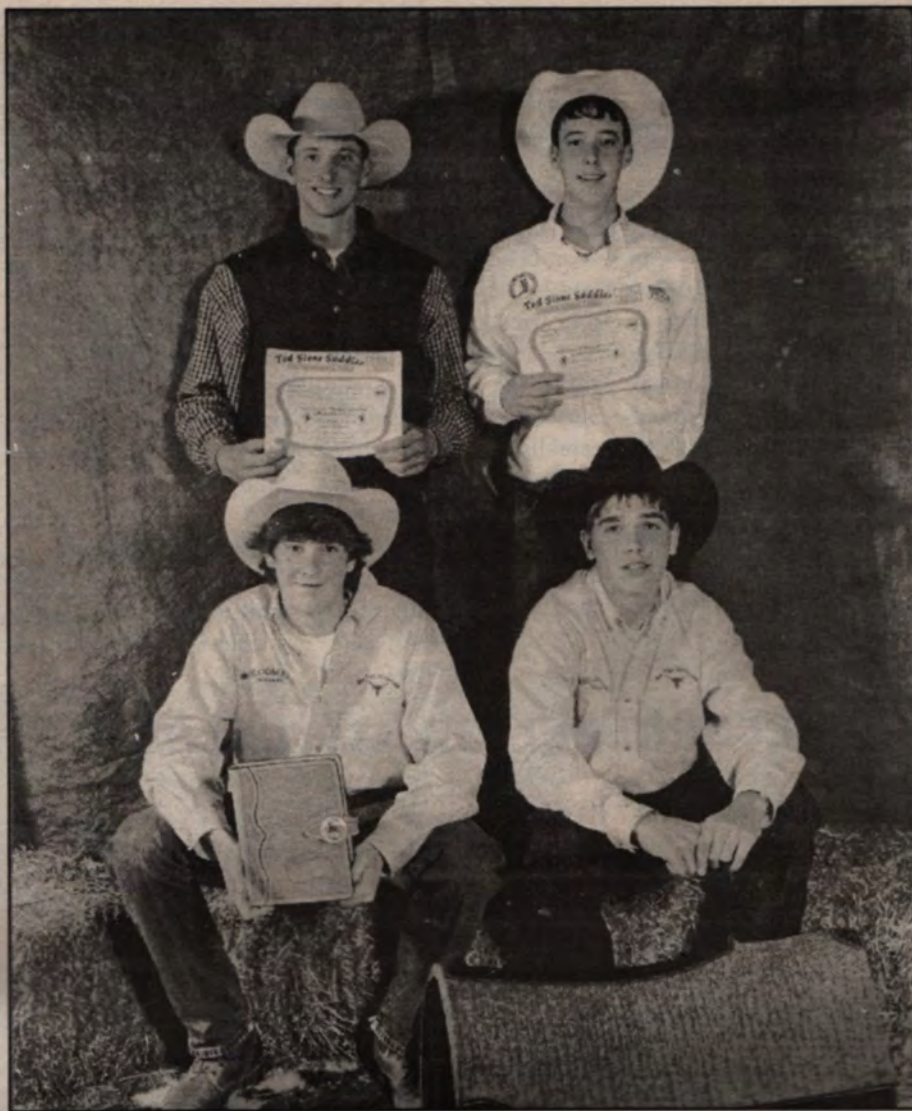
Cio... A Unique Ladies Boutique in Salado is joining with Brighton Accessories for the Brighton Handbag trade-in event.

Customers are asked to bring their used handbags into the store Aug. 29-31. In return, they will receive \$50 off the purchase of a new handbag from Brighton Accessories.

All the gently used handbags that are brought into Cio... A Unique Ladies Boutique will be donated to the Salado Family Relief Fund.

For more information about the handbag trade-in event, call Cio... A Unique Ladies Boutique at 254-947-0322. Cio... is located in Salado Square on Main St. Salado. It is open Monday through Saturday 10 a.m.- 5 p.m. and Sunday 1 p.m.-5 p.m.

Known for excellent quality and a broad-ranging assortment of finely crafted accessories, Brighton also produces belts, shoes, small leather accessories, sunglasses, jewelry, fragrances, bath and body products, and gifts, all of which are available at Cio... A Unique Ladies Boutique.



Justin Davis (top left) of Madisonville and Donny Pipes (top right) of Salado recently won the District X High School Rodeo Championship in Team Roping. Donny, a Salado High 2001 graduate, (left) High School as a three time District Champion. His sophomore year he won the Steer Wrestling and finished 5th in Team Roping followed by a Team Roping Championship in both his junior and senior years. The highlight of his High School Rodeoing came his junior year when he placed 4th in State and qualified to go to the National High School Finals in Springfield, Illinois. Also pictured are the "Young Guns" of Salado, Buck Pipes (bottom left) and Chase Simpson (bottom right), who placed 5th in District and qualified for the State Finals as freshmen. The High School rodeo season will be starting up again in October, any students wanting information can call the Wildfire Ranch Arena at 254-947-9988

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## Traffic Laws

through 14 years old.)

- \* Specifies that all seat belt laws apply to trucks (including one-ton pickups).
- \* HB 1739 increases the minimum fines for violating the car seat law from \$25 to \$100. If a judge opts for probation, the offender would have to take a special TEA-approved child seat and seat belt education course.
- \* SB 215 and HB 2798 both increase the penalties for fleeing and evading arrest in a motor vehicle. A first offense is now a

state jail felony as opposed to a Class A misdemeanor. (SB 215 also outlines provisions for testing suspects for communicable diseases if an officer is exposed to bodily fluids during certain arrests.)

- \* HB 299 authorizes the Texas Transportation Commission to establish a daytime speed limit of 75 miles per hour on highways located in counties with a population density of less than 10 persons per square mile.
- \* SB 968 establishes a six-month driver

license suspension for a second conviction of gas theft. A photo of DPS Trooper Darryle Sparks will be posted on gas pumps throughout Texas to remind motorists of the new law and act as a deterrent.

- \* SB 214 abolishes the statute of limitations for leaving the scene of a fatal wreck.
- \* HB 2134 creates a specific offense for operating a motor vehicle emitting excessive smoke, visible for at least 10 seconds.

- \* HB 1544 makes it a Class B misdemeanor to directly solicit business or employment based on information derived from accident records or related records.
- \* The legal driving age in Texas remains 16. However, a graduated licensing bill (SB 577) goes into effect Jan. 1, 2002.

The texts of these bills can be found at [www.capitol.state.tx.us](http://www.capitol.state.tx.us). Select the enrolled version.

## Open container law starts Labor Day weekend

Labor Day drivers will face stepped up law enforcement activity and a long-awaited open container law to combat drinking and driving.

The new open container law goes into effect September 1, just as DPS and other law enforcement increase patrols for the Labor Day weekend. A tougher, expanded Administrative License Revocation (ALR) law also goes into effect the same day.

"Alcohol and cars don't mix, period," said DPS Director Col. Thomas Davis Jr. "The Legislature has given law enforcement a much-needed open container law to help us drive that point home."

CARE (Combined Accident Reduction Effort)-a nationwide effort by all state police agencies to reduce fatalities during holiday periods-all available troopers will actively search for drunk drivers, speeders and seat belt violators Labor Day weekend. The increased patrols will take place between 6 p.m. Aug. 31 through midnight Sept. 3.

House Bill 5 makes it a Class C misdemeanor to possess an open container in the passenger compartment of a vehicle. It also strengthens the punishment for repeat DWI offenses. A second DWI conviction within five years now requires a mandatory one-year suspen-

sion of the offender's driver license.

Upon reinstatement, they must have an ignition interlock device installed on their vehicle for an additional year. During the suspension, the offender is not even eligible for an occupational license to drive to work.

DPS has observed that in the majority of alcohol-related crashes an open container is present. The law also reinforces that it is illegal to drink while driving.

"These new laws are just the most recent indication that the people of Texas are fed up with the death and destruction drunk drivers cause," said Davis. "The bottom line

is that responsible citizens don't drive drunk."

House Bill 63, which also takes effect Sept. 1, requires law enforcement officers to confiscate the driver license of anyone charged with DWI and increases suspensions outlined in the ALR laws. For example, if a driver refuses a breath test they now face a driver license suspension of six months-double the prior law. The updated statute applies ALR punishments to boating while intoxicated if the suspect refuses a breath test. In that circumstance, boaters also face confiscation of their driver license and possible license suspensions.

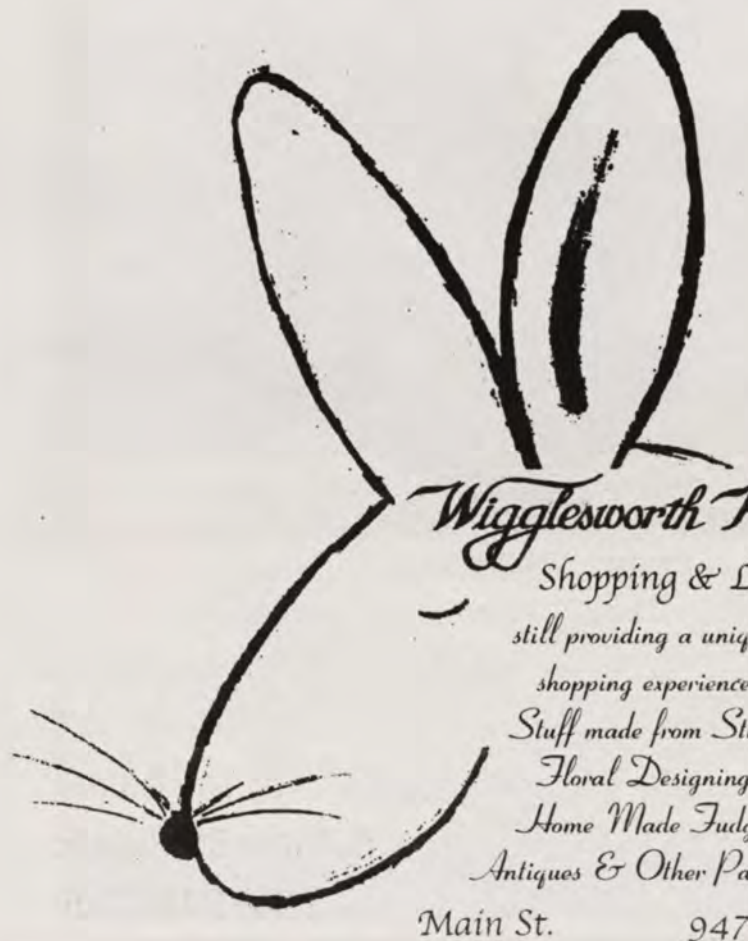
## Programs for special education kids

Every child with a disability in Texas, from age three through twenty-one as of September 1 of the current school year, has the right to a free appropriate public education. Students with visual or hearing disabilities have the right to a free appropriate public education from birth.

Salado ISD provides free appropriate programs for students with disabilities. If you are aware of a child who is suspected of having a disability, contact your local school or the Bell County Cooperative for Exceptional Children at P.O. Box 188, Holland, Texas 76534, 254-657-8155.

Salado Independent School District is committed to offering an appropriate education to every child who resides within its boundaries. All children, including those in private or home schools, who are

suspected of having a disability may be referred to the local school district or the Bell County Cooperative for Exceptional Children. The Bell County Cooperative may be contacted at P.O. Box 188, Holland, Texas 76534, 254657-8155.



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# Register for TX Writer's Association Workshop

There is very little time left to register for the East Texas Writers' Association workshop to be held 8 a.m.- 3:45 p.m. Sept. 22 at the Ramada Suites off Spur 63 in Longview. Registration must be post-marked no later than Sept.

10. The workshop features one of ETWA's own past presidents, Rosalyn Alsobrook, as one of the speakers. Rosalyn, a native of Gilmer, has 29 books published.

Also featured at the meeting will be Herb

Marlow author and publisher of stories for children. Rose Stadler, a literary agent from Phoenix will be included on the program, and participants can schedule a meeting with her.

Registration fee for

ETWA's Writers' Workshop 2001 is \$45. Contacts for the workshop are Gay Ingram, P.O. Box 1096, Big Sandy TX 75755 and Kenneth Yancy, 608 Lantrip St., Kilgore, TX 75662, 903/984-2137.

# Miller attended Leader Dogs for the Blind

Governor Eldon Miller of District 2-X3 and wife LaNora attended the Leader Dogs for the Blind in Rochester, Michigan, August 17-19. All 16 Governors of Texas visited the facility to become better acquainted. Lions Clubs have sponsored approximately 70 percent of Leader Dogs' students.

Leader Dogs for the Blind is dedicated to providing the means for safe and independent travel of the blind and deaf/blind. Since Leader Dogs for the Blind was founded in 1936 by three Michigan Lions Club members, more than 12,000 Leader Dogs have been trained to enhance freedom of mobility and

travel independence for the legally blind.

Leader Dogs consistently provides high-quality instruction free to its students. Ranging from 18 to 90 years old, as many as 300 students enroll each year in the 25-day live-in program in Rochester, Michigan, campus. After graduation, Leader Dogs teams (student and Dogs) work together for up to 10 years.

Students come from all over the United States and around the globe. Leader Dogs for the Blind strives to meet each individual's needs. The Leader Dogs organization offers the only existing program for individuals who are both

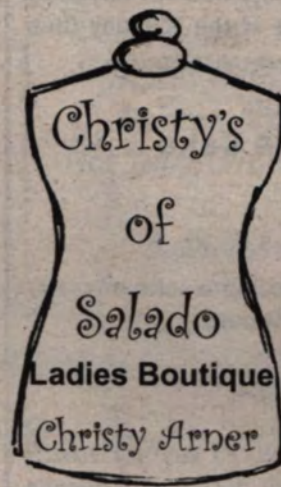
blind and deaf. Follow-up assistance, telephone counseling or in-home visits are provided for students who may need additional support.

The worldwide graduates hold occupations as varied as college professor, radio announcer, judge, lawyer, musician, computer systems administrator, homemaker, district manager, sales representative and tradesman.

Leader Dogs for the Blind operates entirely on donated funds. They are not a United Way agency and receive no federal or state funding. They operate on interest from the Leader Dogs Endowment Fund and Lions Clubs from

around the world contribute 35 percent annually, the remaining is donated by individuals, corporations and foundations from around the nation.

For more information about the Leader Dogs program, write to Leader Dogs for the Blind, P.O. Box 5000, Rochester, Michigan 48308 or contact your local Lions Club.



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# What to do in your garden during the month of Sept.

By ILENE MILLER  
COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT-FCS

Here's a monthly reminder from Bell County Master Gardeners and Extension Horticulture of what jobs need to be done in your garden during September.

\* Rejuvenate heat stressed geraniums and begonias for the fall season by lightly pruning, fertilizing, and watering.

\* Caladiums require plenty of water at this time of year if they are to remain lush and attractive until fall. Fertilize with ammonium sulfate at the rate of 1/3 to 1/2 pound per 100 square feet of bed area and water thoroughly.

\* Don't allow plants with green fruit or berries to suffer from lack of moisture. Hollies will frequently drop their fruit under drought conditions.

\* Remove weak, unproductive growth from crepe myrtles and roses to stimulate new growth for fall beauty.

\* Prune out dead or diseased wood from trees and shrubs. Hold off on major pruning until mid-winter. Pruning now may stimulate tender growth prior to frost.

\* Prepare the beds for spring flowering bulbs as soon as possible. It's important to cultivate the soil and add generous amounts of organic matter to improve the water drainage. Bulbs will rot without proper drainage.

\* Divide spring flow-

ering perennials such as irises, Shasta daisies, gailardias, canna lilies, day-lilies, violets, liriopes, and ajugas.

\* Fertilize and groom verbenas, perennial salvias, and lantanās to stimulate a long and productive fall bloom season.

\* Continue a disease spray schedule on roses every 7 to 14 days as black spot and mildew can be extremely damaging in September and October.

\* Take-All Patch continues to damage St. Augustine lawns throughout the county. If you're not familiar with this problem, call for a fact sheet.

\* Winter annuals that can be used in Central Texas for fall and winter color include calendula, pansy, snapdragon, stock, sweet pea, viola. It's best to use started plants or transplants for landscape accents.

\* It's time to set out flowering cabbage and flowering kale as a hardy winter border or bedding plant that will supply plenty of color. Makes good eating also.

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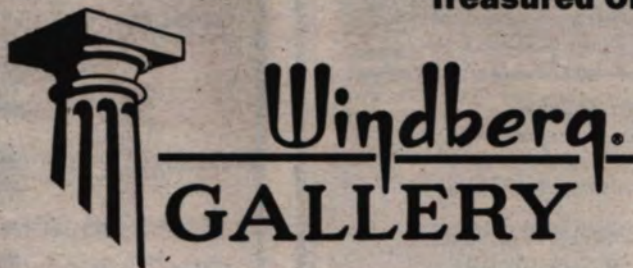
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### Earthquake Cake

Jane Inman

- 1 c. flaked coconut
- 1 c. chopped pecans
- 1 (18 oz.) box German chocolate cake mix
- 1 stick (1/4 lb.) butter, softened
- 1 (8 oz.) pkg. cream cheese
- 1 (16 oz.) box powdered sugar
- 1 tsp. vanilla

Spray or grease well a 9x13 inch (or 11x15 inch) pan. Sprinkle bottom of pan with pecans and coconut. Prepare cake mix as directed on package; pour over nuts and coconut. In a large bowl, beat cream cheese, butter, powdered sugar and vanilla until smooth. Spoon, dollop or spread on top of cake batter; do not stir. Bake cake 40 to 50 minutes at 350 degrees until toothpick inserted between cream cheese dollops comes out clean.

## What are your collectibles worth?

Did you ever sit on an antique majolica garden seat? Were the breakable seats taken inside in the winter? Times were different in the 19th century, when the garden seat was most popular.

One of the largest groups of majolica wares made in England was related to gardens and conservatories (glass sided, indoor garden rooms). Jardinieres, flowerpots, stands, pedestals, fountains and garden seats were made in large quantities until about 1914. Majolica garden pieces were ornamental because of the fragile nature of the material. They could easily chip or crack. They were kept inside glass

rooms and protected from the weather. Victorian majolica gas-den seats are now so expensive, it is unlikely that they would be placed outside.

#### Question:

I was going to throw out my 1950s Hamilton Beach blender, but my daughter had a fit. She said it's a collectible. I decided to give it to her, but I'm wondering if she's daffy. If she's not, what's the blender worth? It's the kind with a round base.

#### Answer:

Early electrical appliances like toasters and waffle irons have become popular with collectors. The Waring Blendor, called a

Miracle Mixer at the time, was introduced at a Chicago trade show in 1937. World War II interrupted the development and production of blenders. After the war, blenders were produced by dozens of different companies. A 1950s Hamilton Beach blender with a chrome base sells for \$65 to \$75. A blender with a painted base sells for \$10 to \$15 less.

#### Question:

When my husband was a boy, his grandfather gave him a small, cast-iron hatchet that appears to be a joke of some kind. The blade is shaped like a woman's head, and the words on the handle read, "All Nations Welcome But

Carry."

#### Answer:

You have an anti-temperance collectible. It refers to the saloon-smashing activities of Carry Nation (1846-1911), one of America's most famous advocates of the temperance movement. She was known for using a hatchet to smash saloons in her home state of Kansas. She was often jailed for her activities, and she paid her fines from speaking fees and sales of souvenir label pins shaped like hatchets. Your grandfather's iron hatchet was a joke of some kind. The blade is shaped like a woman's head, and the words on the handle read, "All Nations Welcome But

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Then I met Jean Flint of Alpine. Her grandfather, C. O. Finley, was the man who shot the bear. Mr. Finley wrote a narrative of the hunt, which occurred in 1900 between Fort Davis and Valentine. The story of the hunt was first published in 1902. Jean and her husband Bob sent me the story, which I'll paraphrase and pass on here. It is a fabulous pioneer West Texas story.

"In the early 1890's, ranching families in the Davis Mountains started having huge bear hunts which became annual events. Friends from all over Texas joined the week-long hunts. The hunting party ranged from forty to seventy people and included men, women and children.

"We had from 100 to 150 saddle horses and three or four chuck wagons with plenty of good cooks. We

hardly ever failed to get a bear and sometimes two or three every day.

"On the third day of November, 1900, we traveled eight or ten miles, over country is very rough, full of canyons, bluffs and lots of timber from shiner oak thickets and pine trees fifty feet high. The dogs picked up the scent of something and they went after it. John Means and I followed the dogs. It turned out to be a dead cow. Part of her had been eaten. Suddenly, this big bear stepped from a thicket. We weren't close enough to get a shot, so we went down the mountain as fast as we could. When we got there, the bear was gone.

"We followed the dogs about a mile and a half and saw the bear standing there with his face toward us. We began pouring lead into him with our .30-.30's. We evidently got him on the first volley of shots because he started to pitch and bellow like a wild bull. When we got to within 100 feet of him we saw that he was so big we couldn't carry him. We used our cowhorns to signal to some of the group and eight men showed up.

We took the hide off, complete with feet and head, and put it on the biggest, strongest horse we had. We estimated the

bear weighed 800 pounds, since the hide weighed 400 pounds.

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The Open Systems Reseller Conference offers opportunities for resellers of the company's products to network and socialize



Receiving the award in Minneapolis (l-r) Scott Bucklew, Mike Scully, Troy Perker, Cam Henry and seated De Conlin and Richard Paul Thomas

with one another, attend educational breakout sessions, and exhibit their own vertical products. Speakers and an awards banquet are also part of the conference activities.

The award was presented to Richard Thomas, an authorized reseller of Open Systems products for

17 years. TBC International is located in Salado. Open Systems is a pioneer in the development of software solutions to enhance business management and performance. Products include OPEN SYSTEMS Accounting Software (OSAS), TRAVERSE Accounting Soft-

ware, and TRAVERSE eBusiness Solutions. Each year, Open Systems products account for more than \$200 billion in revenue for mid market customers. The products are sold through the company's network of Value Added Resellers.

## Photographic creations on display

Susan Dunkerley's photographs will be on display at the Presser Art Gallery on campus at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor until Sept. 28. The set of 16 photographs are part of her ongoing series of

"Window Collages." The gallery is located on the first floor of Presser Hall at the corner of 9th and King Streets. The artist constructs temporary sets of items in her studio windows and photographs

them using sunlight as a strong backlight. Inspiration for Dunkerley's imagery comes from books, nature, religion, dreams, childhood memories, family photo albums and popular culture. Using odd assortments of cutouts, drawings, "found objects," and natural debris, the artist somehow manages to photographically capture nostalgic feelings and magical moments in the light-filled layers of her constructions.

Bachelor of Fine Arts and Bachelor of Science in Education degrees from the University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri. She earned the Master of Fine Arts degree from Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, New York. She also worked for six years in the commercial photography industry in New York City.

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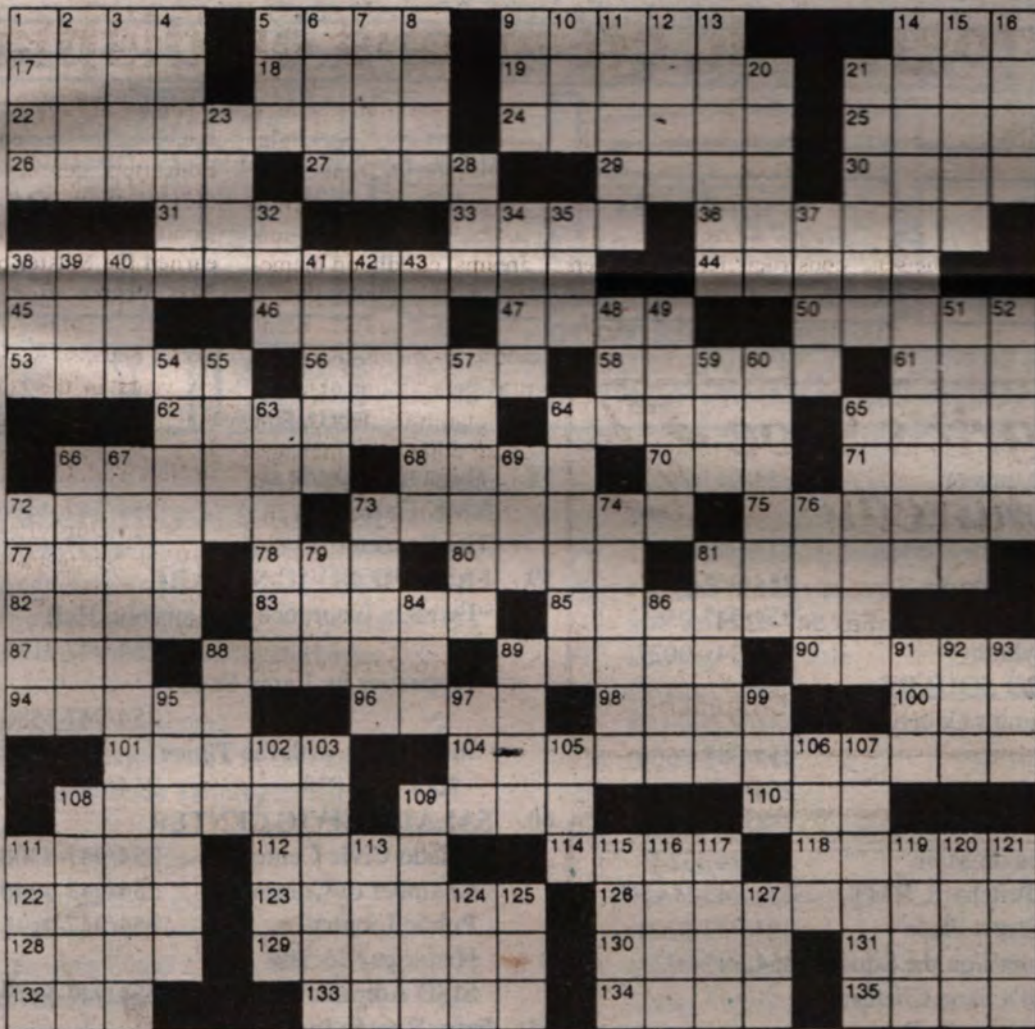
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  - 24 Brownie topper
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  - 30 Dealt with a dragon
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  - 44 Disreputable
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  - 50 "The Mikado" setting
  - 53 Got cracking
  - 56 Union general
  - 58 Architectural features
  - 61 Be obligated
  - 62 Ornamental plant
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  - 65 Energy meas.
  - 66 Lowland areas
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  - 78 Gibbon or gorilla
  - 80 Model Carre
  - 81 Charm
  - 82 Circle segments
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  - 85 Board guy?
  - 87 Albanian currency
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  - 89 Flower parts
  - 90 20th-century poet
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  - 100 Before, to the Bard
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  - 129 Most terrible
  - 130 "The People's Choice" basset
  - 131 Part of EMT
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  - 134 Chopped
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  - 2 Jai —
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  - 8 Whirl
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  - 32 Apply gently
  - 34 Grimm creature
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  - 39 Nev. neighbor
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  - 41 Prepares for drilling
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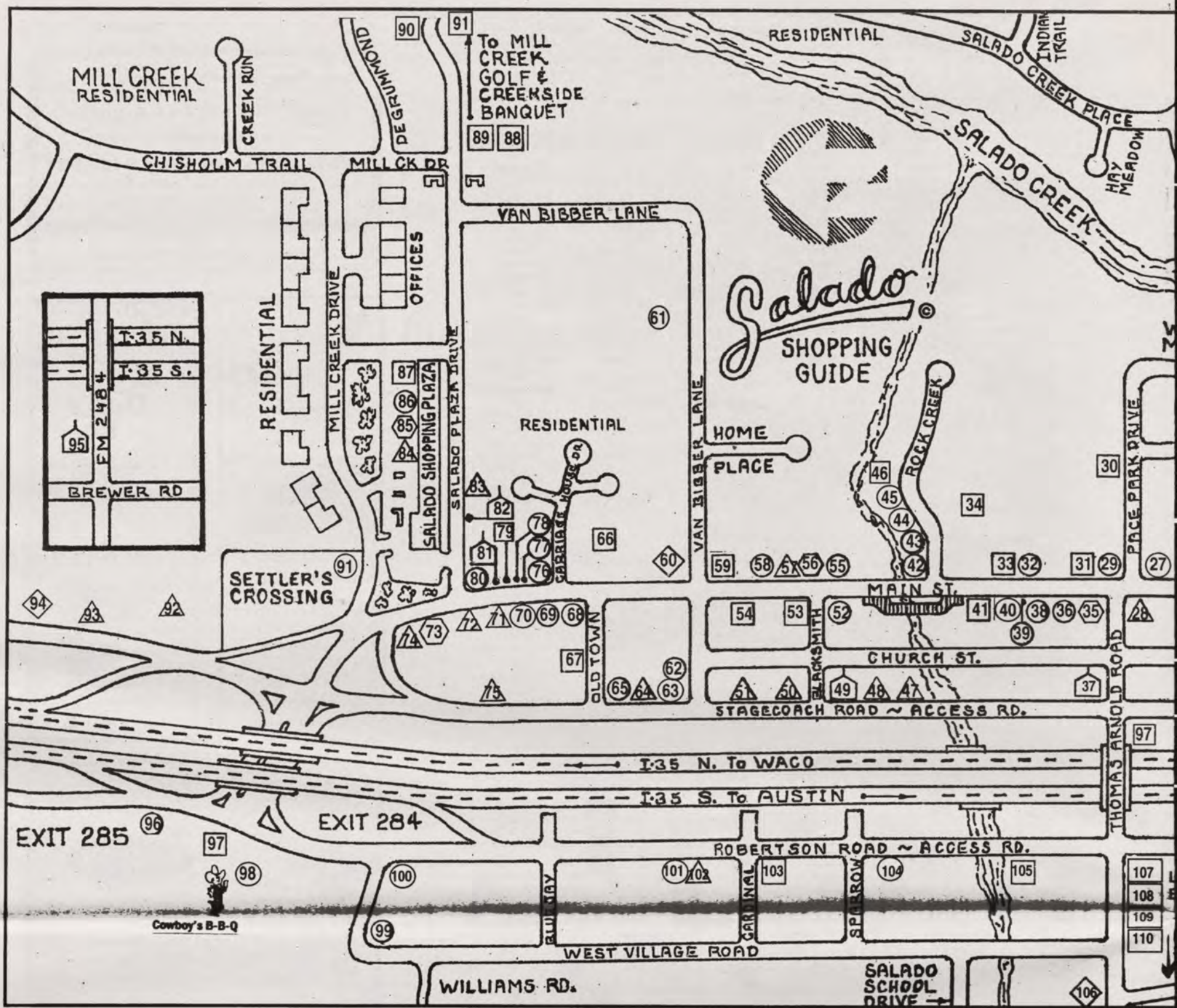
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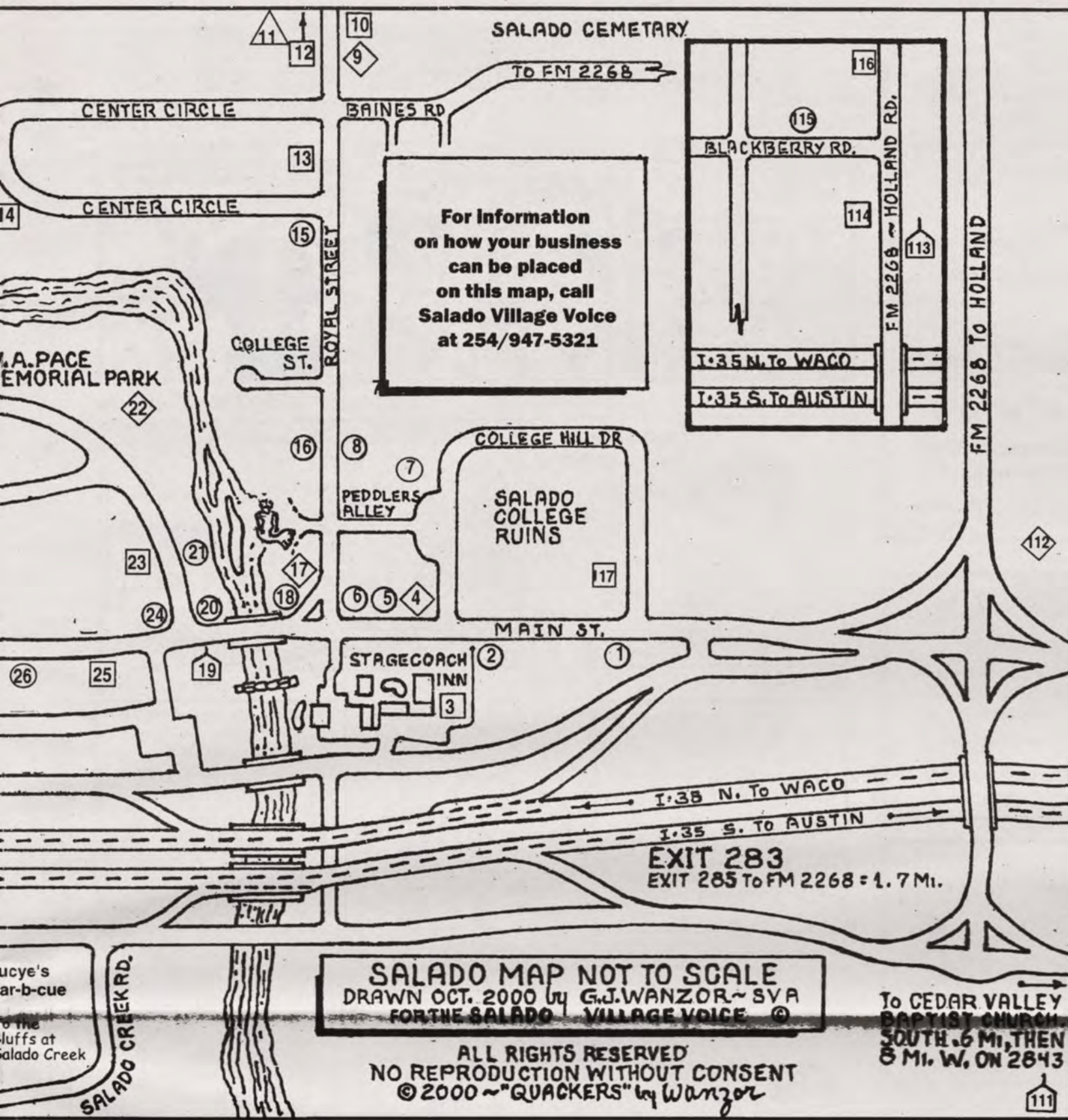
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  - 27 Tiller
  - 29 High old time
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  - 36 Composer Zoltan
  - 38 Cluck and peep?
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  - 47 Old clothes
  - 50 "The Mikado" setting
  - 53 Got cracking
  - 56 Union general
  - 58 Architectural features
  - 61 Be obligated
  - 62 Ornamental plant
  - 64 Chan's portrayer
  - 65 Energy meas.
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  - 73 Bark?
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  - 78 Gibbon or gorilla
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  - 81 Charm
  - 82 Circle segments
  - 83 "Presumed Innocent" author
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  - 90 20th-century poet
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  - 96 Uril or Trotsky
  - 98 Stocking stuffer?
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  - 104 Pedant?
  - 108 Sheen
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  - 110 Raven maven?
  - 111 Kudrow of "Friends"
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  - 123 European peninsula
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  - 130 "The People's Choice" basset
  - 131 Part of EMT
  - 132 Hen's honey
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  - 135 "David Copperfield" character
  - 40 Greyhound's greeting
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  - 49 Jolt
  - 51 "Stay —" ('64 hit)
  - 52 Inept at parties
  - 54 Is useful
  - 55 Actress Carter
  - 57 Last name in law
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  - 63 Tell tales
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  - 106 Puppeteer Baird
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  - 111 "Schindler's —" ('93 film)
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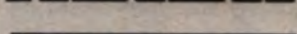
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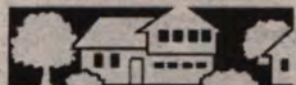
  
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## Homes for Sale



By Owner: Victorian Oaks. Near Rose Mansion B&B. Open design, living dining, kitchen. 2 BR 2 1/2 BA, multi purpose room. \$164,500 Call 947-8021 tfnb

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## Rent or Lease



For Lease townhome Available July 1, 2 BR/2BA, one car garage, approx. 1,000 sq ft heated area. Across from Salado Plaza, Mill Creek Dr. \$800 mon. 6 month min. NO pets Sarah Lee Realty Inc. 254-947-1011 tfnf

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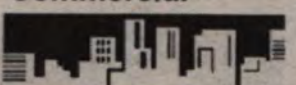
For Sale By Owner - Many wooded lots, Woods of Salado on FM 2484 near Lake Stillhouse. Rita Seghers 254-760-9663 tfnb

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# Is it time to refinance your mortgage

By ROBIN KORN

According to the Department of Housing and Urban Development, a record number of Americans, more than 71 million, now own their own homes. And many of those Americans may be able to take advantage of the substantial savings of mortgage refinancing. With today's mortgage interest rates relatively low in most U.S. markets, you may be able to lower your monthly mortgage payments by refinancing your mortgage.

**• Take Control of Your Finances:** Traditionally, according to the Mortgage Bankers Association of America (MBAA), lenders have recommended refinancing when the difference between your existing mortgage rate and current interest rates is at least two percent. But, according to the MBAA, today's low-cost and no-cost refinancing options may allow for significant monthly savings, even when the difference is as low as one-half percent.

For example, if you have a \$150,000 mortgage financed at 9 percent for 30 years, and refinance the full amount at 7.5 percent, your payments would drop from \$1206.93 to \$1048.92 per month. Over the life of your mortgage, according to a mortgage calculator,

you'd save more than \$56,000, not including closing costs and other refinancing expenses.

Refinancing in today's market may help you.

**• Change your mortgage term:** Refinancing may allow you to time your mortgage pay-off date to coincide with future events that can affect your finances, such as your retirement or the year your child will begin attending college.

**• Make Payments More Predictable:** Most homeowners have a mortgage that falls into one of two general categories:

**• a fixed-rate mortgage,** which locks in a fixed interest rate for the entire term of the loan, usually at least 15 years or, more commonly, 30 years. Fixed rate loans offer the stability of equal monthly payments and are often used by first-time buyers.

**• an adjustable-rate mortgage (ARM),** which starts out with an interest rate that is usually lower than a fixed-rate loan, but then adjusts up or down periodically. The length of the loan varies from one year to 30 years.

If you have an ARM and are currently facing increasing rates (or if you'd just like the certainty of a fixed-rate mortgage, refinancing

when fixed-rate mortgage interest rates are low may be a good idea. Depending on your particular situation, you may even be able to get a lower fixed-rate loan than the adjustable rate you're now paying.

**Calculate Your Costs:** To decide if refinancing your mortgage is a good idea for you, be sure to add up the total costs of refinancing. You'll want to include refinancing expenses such as closing costs and processing fees. Typically, you can expect to pay between 3 and 6 percent of your outstanding loan principal as closing costs, according to the MBAA.

Determine how many months it will take to recoup your closing costs by dividing your refinancing costs by your potential monthly savings. If you plan to stay in your home longer than the time it takes to recoup costs, refinancing will likely save you money.

**Tips to Remember:** When going through the refinancing process, be sure to also:

- Know the tax consequences of refinancing.
- Consider a trusted brand for your mortgage.
- Consider the total "price" of the mortgage.
- Consider a second opinion.

If you find that refinancing is saving you a significant amount each month, you may also want to consider consulting your financial advisor on how to create a financial plan. An advisor can help you set up a plan that best fits your time-line, tolerance for risk and financial goals

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**Question:** Last fall, you printed a list of critical areas to check and fix on the outside of a home. What checks do I need to make in the spring?

**Answer:** A springtime inspection of your home's exterior is just as important as the check and repairs you made in the fall. In both cases, you're preparing for the extreme conditions of winter and summer, which can make small problems on the outside of the house worse — and possibly create trouble inside, too.

So, here's a short list

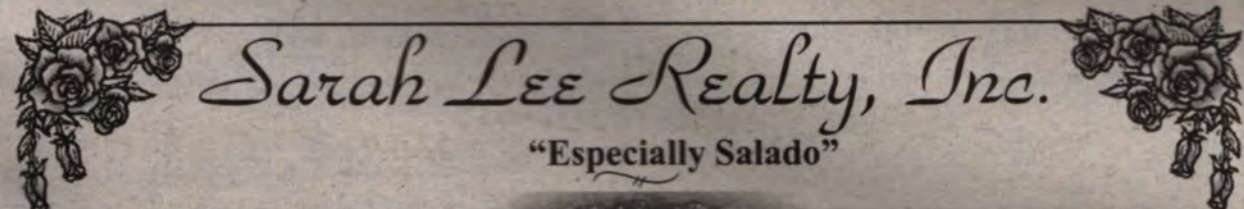
of areas that you need to check before June, from the top of the house down:

**Chimney.** Inspect the outside of the chimney for damage or wear, making sure the flashing and other sealants are watertight. Use a flashlight to look around the upper inside of the chimney and check the buildup of creosote deposits; if more than 1/8 inch coats the chimney walls, call a professional right away.

- Rooftop. Look for torn or curling shingles; repair or replace them.
- Gutters and flashing.

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## Exterior Inspection

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tion is still solid. Replace tom or leaking sections. Make sure flashing is sealed, with no visible rust.

- Upper walls. Check for streaks, mold or cracks, especially on stucco or masonry.
- Window and door trim, sashes and shutters. Curling or damaged wood must

be replaced and repainted; shutters should open and close easily. Clean away light rust and oil the shutter hinges; replace corroded hinges.

- Lower walls and base. Look for cracks or holes along the lower walls, as well as gaps between the corners of siding or between siding and


masonry foundations. Repair small cracks as soon as you find them. Also, check for termite tunnels along the foundation.


- Deck, patio and driveway. Inspect decks for deterioration caused by years of exposure, including splintered or warped wood; note boards that sag under your

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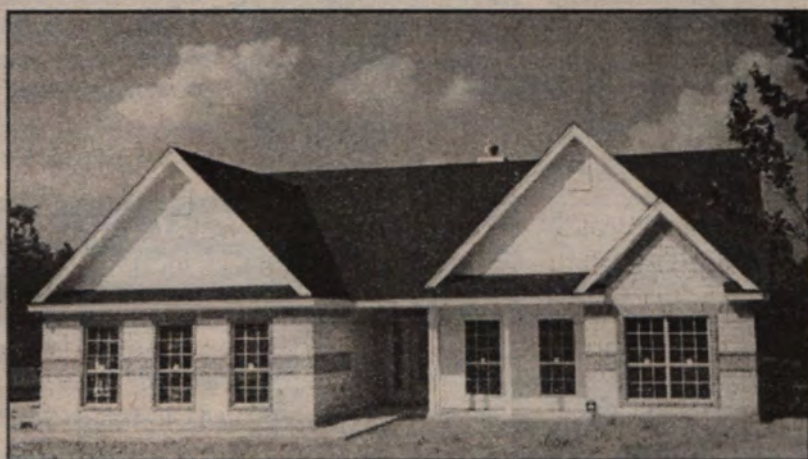
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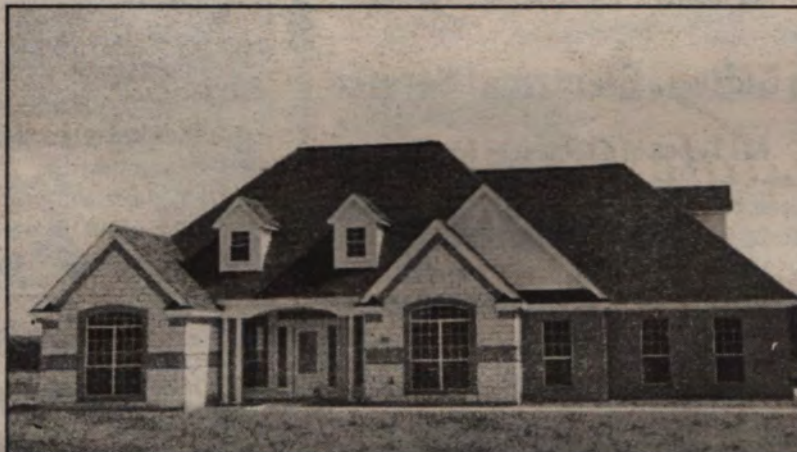
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**Answer:**  
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## This is a Hammer

by Samantha Mazzotta

living room or kitchen. However, two of the biggest complaints I hear about them are a lack of insulation, which makes heating or cooling the room difficult, and "hot spots," or areas where the light constantly falls, causing furniture and carpeting to fade in that area.

Skylight manufacturers are well aware of these problems, and most have features you can add to a skylight to minimize

these problems.

An alternative to skylights is tubular lighting. This popular lighting method, which uses aluminum tubing combined with a reflective system to direct outside light into the house, resolves the temperature problem. Light entering the room is often diffused further, reducing the chance of creating a hot spot. Additionally, tubular lighting is fairly easy to install.

The main drawback to tubular lighting is that the light reflects only so far meaning the lighting system may be limited to a few areas of the house.

Sun Tunnel Skylights manufacture flexible tubing using acrylic components.

Your best bet is to decide what "look" works best in your living room, an open, airy space or a more intimate yet well-lighted area. Take into account the costs involved with both lighting systems. Contact a few manufacturers (or their dealers) to get a better idea of what they offer.

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**\$159,500** - Back porch overlooks large wood deck that surrounds an above ground pool & hot tub. Two wooded lots give you room for privacy. Two living areas, two dining rooms, large bedrooms.



**\$400,000** - Magnificent landmark Mill Creek native stone home on heavily wooded & beautifully landscaped 1.4 acres. Spacious multi-level offers unique design featuring tile floors, stone interior walls, cedar paneling, cathedral ceilings, large windows, skylights, 2 open-hearth fireplaces, covered redwood decks. Impressive mirrored gallery entry opens onto stunning formal living area & over-sized dining room. 3 BR, 3-1/2 BA, den, remodeled kitchen/breakfast, library/loft. Heated pool with cabana & decking. Detached car/golf cart garage, out buildings, sprinkler system, storage galore.



**\$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.



**\$189,000** - Walk out on the wrap-around deck and enjoy the view of Salado Creek. The woods below offer privacy & serenity. The kitchen, living areas and master bedroom overlook the creek. Walk across the street to Mill Creek Pro Shop.



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- **\$168,900** - Wrap-around porch with views of a dry creek bed, loft.
- **\$169,900** - On almost 10 acres, this new home allows you to enjoy country living.
- **\$169,900** - Minutes from Salado, Belton or Temple, 10 acres - **Under Contract**
- **\$175,000** - Cliffs on Canyon Creek. 4 BR, 2 BA, great master suite.
- **\$178,500** - Immaculate home on 3 acres with easy access to I-35.
- **\$184,500** - A Texas style Austin stone home on 2.146 acres.
- **\$189,000** - Overlook the creek, across the street from Mill Creek Pro Shop.
- **\$189,900** - Mill Creek with 10' ceilings and golf-cart space. **Under Contract**
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- **\$199,500** - View the Woods of Salado, custom cabinetry in living & kitchen.
- **\$199,900** - New construction 4 BR, 3 BA countryside view.
- **\$199,900** - 10' ceilings, fireplace, breakfast nook, 4 BR, 3 BA.
- **\$218,000** - 3 BR, 3 BA, office, 3 car garage on 2.76 acres.
- **\$225,000** - 3 BR, 3 BA Mill Creek home with indoor pool and hot tub.
- **\$230,000** - 4 BR/3BA, 2 living, granite countertops in Mill Creek Springs.
- **\$248,700** - 3 BR, 2 BA & gameroom. Austin stone home with wrap around porch.
- **\$289,500** - Show place in Royal Oaks overlooking spacious backyard.
- **\$299,000** - On the banks of Salado Creek, 3 BR, 3 BA, separate cabin.
- **\$299,021** - Elegant home within walking distance of downtown Salado.
- **\$329,000** - Custom home in Royal Oaks. 3 BR, 3-1/2 BA.
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- **\$150,000** - Prime location on Main Street. 2 BR, 1 BA. Lots of potential.
- **\$400,000** - Commercial building on I-35 frontage road & 2 mobile homes on 1.86 acres.
- **\$429,000** - 5.66 acres commercial property off Main Street.
- **\$650,000** - Main Street. Commercial property w/large showroom, office, apartment and rental office space.

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- 90 acres on Lampasas River, with 1 mile of river frontage, many pecan trees and old frame house.
- 22 acres on Loop 121 in Belton many possible uses, has water & sewer.
- 23.4 acres 14 miles S. of Killeen, All woods, good hunting. \$75,000.
- 10+ acre tract in Hilltop View Farms off FM 2115. \$5,500 per acre.
- 8.77 acres on I-35 at crossover with road on 3 sides, Exit 286 at Salado.
- 5+ acres Windmill Hill.
- 3 acres, all woods, good frontage, water available. Near Stillhouse Lake.
- **Windy Hill Ranch** - Lovely 2 acre home sites with lake and mountain views, highly restricted, well located, Salado schools.

### Lots

- Mill Creek Lots**
- Chisholm Trail - \$26,900
  - Winner's Circle - \$50-\$58,000
  - 700 Indian Trail - \$36,000
- Other Lots**
- Amanda Circle (2 lots) - \$9,500 each
  - 808 Mill Creek Dr. - \$30,000
  - Mill Creek Springs - \$30-\$75,000
  - Royal Oaks - \$30,000



**\$139,000** - Secluded in Live Oak Estates. Situated on 1.6 acres, this 4 BR, 2 BA offers privacy as it sits back in the woods. Gravel driveway leads to the spacious home. Large laundry room has an exterior door that leads to a landing.



**\$199,900** - Mill Creek Springs equals first class! Newly constructed home 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.



**\$184,500** - A Texas style Austin stone home on 2.146 acres. Beautiful wooded setting with a 42' long front porch, a perfect place for bird watching. Very open family room, dining room and kitchen for quality family time.



**\$248,700** - Great care was taken in the planning, building & decorating of this Austin Stone home with wrap-around porch! Enjoy your evenings outside on the screened porch, private deck or patio area nestled in the woods. The air-conditioned workshop could be a golf cart garage. Upstairs you will find a fantastic hobby room, game room or artist studio complete with skylight. 3 BR, 2 BA, game room, workshop, 2 car garage.

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Charming country cottage secluded on 2 acres covered with large native trees. Small guest room in garage. **\$160,000.** Additional acreage available.



Secluded Spanish style rock home with clay roof on 3 acres. Gorgeous hilltop view of Salado, open porches, 4 bedrooms, 5 full baths 3 half baths, 3 car garage, pool and guests quarters. A beautiful MUST see! **\$450,000.**



Custom southern plantation style home on 60 acres. This two story main house offers formal living, dining, large den, 3 BR, 2 full bath and 2 half bath. Guest house has bedroom, full bath living and kitchen. Property is fully fenced and has a 2 stall barn. **\$595,000.**



Backed up to the 14th Fairway, this 3/2 home has an excellent location in Mill Creek. Features include a formal living/dining combo, breakfast room, covered patio deck and sprinkler system. **\$219,000.**



Beautiful, 1 year old, 4 bedroom, 3 bath, rock with metal roof home, fireplace, large kitchen, 2 living areas, setting on 7 acres with large oak trees. **\$299,500.**

## Residential Listings

- \$89,000:** 5 year old 3/2/2 all brick home on the outskirts of Holland.
- \$84,900:** 3/2/1 country style home minutes from downtown Salado.
- \$164,000:** 3/2.5 in Mill Creek has 2 living areas and a 2 car garage. Features a wood deck, jacuzzi and sprinkler system.
- \$195,000:** Beautiful 3/2 with wrap around porch on 7 acres. Large party room & 2 stall barn. **UNDER CONTRACT.**
- \$299,500:** Beautiful, 1 year old, 4 bedroom, 3 bath, rock with metal roof home, fireplace, large kitchen, 2 living areas, setting on 7 acres with large oak trees.
- \$360,000:** Unique country setting on 33 heavily wooded acres with a charming country cottage secluded in a park like setting.
- \$450,000:** Secluded Spanish style rock home with clay roof on 3 acres. Gorgeous hilltop view of Salado, open porches, 4 bedrooms, 5 full baths 3 half baths, 3 car garage, pool and guests quarters. A beautiful MUST see!
- \$595,000:** Custom southern plantation style home on 60 acres. This two story main house offers formal living, dining, large den, 3 BR, 2 full bath and 2 half bath. Guest house has bedroom, full bath living and kitchen. Property is fully fenced and has a 2 stall barn.

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Lot 2	<del>4.89</del>	57,900
Lot 3	<del>6.00</del>	59,900
Lot 4	6.38	62,900

**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



Looking for a home with a lot of character and personality? This 2 story 3/2 with 2 living and 2 dining area in Mill Creek should be first on your list. **\$145,000.**

62.5 acres. Pendleton area. **\$850 per acre.**  
 928 acres Southwest of Salado. Beautiful rolling tree country with live creek and large lake on property. Excellent views. Outstanding wildlife.

## Belton Area

**\$75,000:** Near Belton 3/2/2 only one year old. Easy access to Killeen and Temple.

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**Charming country cottage** secluded on 2 acres covered with large native trees. Small guest room in garage. **\$160,000.** Additional acreage available.

## Salado Lots

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 Indian Trail - 90x188 - **\$34,000.**  
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## Acreage Available

- 1/2 acre facing FM 2484. **\$12,500.**
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- 2 one acre lots on Sam Neil. **\$15,000/acre.**
- 2 acres: Blackberry, 2 wooded acres- **\$39,900.**
- 2 acres: Brewer Lane, will allow one double wide. **\$17,500.**
- 3 acres commercial fronting I-35, 1 mile S. of Salado, **\$79,900.**
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