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Hometown newspaper read by Paul and Barbara Boggs



Salado native Liz Carpenter met with friends and fans April 11 when she signed copies of her new book, *Start with a Laugh at the Bell County Museum*. She is shown above on the left greeting Saladoan Jane Wilmer. The book signing was a fund raiser for the Museum. (PHOTO BY TIM FLEISCHER)

Fund raisers benefit Education Foundation at Sesquicentennial

Two activities during Salado's Sesquicentennial Weekend April 26-28 will benefit the Salado Education Foundation.

The Education Foundation will reinstitute the thrilling opportunity of championing your duck to the winner's circle. The ducks will start at the dam 11 a.m. April 27 and cross the finish line shortly thereafter at the rapids in Pace Park.

The owner of the first duck to cross the finish line wins a \$1,000 cash prize. The owner of the second duck will win a \$500 shopping spree in Salado.

Ducks are \$10 each and are available from any Salado Education Foundation member. Ducks are also available at the Salado

Chamber of Commerce or the Superintendent's Office, both located in the Salado Civic Center.

Later in the evening, the Salado Education Foundation will sponsor its annual Formal Dinner and Dance. "Join the Salado Education Foundation for its primary fund-raising event for scholarships," Supt. Battershell said.

Reservations made by mailing a check for \$50 per person to Salado Education Foundation, PO Box 98, Salado, TX 76571. Or deliver payment to the Superintendent's office in the Salado Civic Center.

The Dinner and Dance will begin at 7 p.m. April 27 in Jack's Barn on Pace

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Early voting starts today

Early voting begins this week in three highly-contested local elections: Village of Salado board of aldermen, Salado I.S.D. Board of Trustees and Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District.

The Village of Salado and Salado I.S.D. Board of Trustees elections will both be contested races as six residents filed for five places on the Board of Aldermen and eight residents filed for three three year terms on the school board.

The first day of early voting in the election will be April 17. The final day for Early Voting is April 30. Early voting in the school board and city elections will be at the Salado Civic Center, as will election day voting. Early voting in the Clearwater election will be at the Bell County Courthouse, the Temple

annex, Killeen annex and Harker Heights community center. Election day voting in the Clearwater District race will be at the Salado Civic Center.

Candidates for the Village Board of Aldermen as they will appear on the ballot are Suzi Epps, James Ervi II, Rick Ashe, Jackie Mills, and Michael Cooper.

The terms on the Board of Aldermen will be staggered for one and two years determined by the outcome of the election.

Candidates for Salado I.S.D. Board of Trustees as they will appear on the May 4 ballot are Cathy Carlson, Deborah Aldridge, Frank Benolken, Trey Little, Kathy Daniell, Linda Hosch, John Konzen and Cliff Coleman. Konzen is the only incumbent seeking re-election to the board.

The Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District will also elect directors. Candidates for the at-large position are Ricky Preston, R.D. Sanderford and Gene Doss. Candidates for Precinct Two are Horace Grace and Tommy Lovelace. Preston, Grace and Lovelace all currently serve on the board.

Mayor Charlotte Douglass filed for re-election and is unopposed.

Dr. Luther Brewer, Carolyn Britt and Hulda Horton all filed for re-election to the Salado Public Library Board. Three positions on the board will be filled May 4. As the Library race is uncontested, the board of directors may vote to cancel the race, immediately re-electing the three candidates to the board.

Voters can now apply for ballots by mail.

Salado to celebrate Sesquicentennial

Plans continue for the Salado Sesquicentennial Celebration April 26-28 throughout the Village.

Here are some of the activities planned to celebrate the 150th birthday of the village.

April 26

Gazebo at the Salado Civic Center. Move to Salado Intermediate School in case of rain.

Fourth Grade Essay Contest: 6:30 p.m. Tablerock will present winners of this year's competition based on students' research of Settlers of Salado.

Time Capsule Presentation: The Salado Historical Society will chronicle the items to be placed in the time capsule. Begins at 6:45 p.m. This will be a year-long ongoing collection.

Fourth Infantry Band Concert: Join the Salado Civic Center Foundation 7 p.m. in their hosting of the Fourth Infantry Band. A selection of marches, as well as patriotic music will be presented.

Public Library Reception: Join the Salado Public

Library for a birthday celebration complete with a birthday cake for all to share. Come view Powerpoint presentations that will promote Salado's past and present created by citizens and students of Salado.

April 27

Historical Marker Dedication: Salado Historical Society will unveil the Rev. James E. and Fannie Ferguson marker at the Salado Cemetery at 10 a.m. The Cemetery is located on Baines Street.

Pace Park events

Duck Race: The Salado Education Foundation will re-institute the thrilling opportunity of championing your duck to the winner's circle. The ducks will start at the dam and end behind the Pavilion. Begins at 11:30 a.m.

Picnic in the Park: Salado Masonic Lodge #296 will sponsor an old-fashioned picnic in Pace Park with hot dogs, lemonade and dessert. Begins at noon.

Kite Competition: Suzanne Petro sponsors this

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Comp Plan group to discuss land use, subdivision rules

BY TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Salado's Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee will review changes to its Future Land Use Plan during a 5 p.m. April 17 meeting at the Municipal Building at 313 N. Stagecoach Rd.

The Future Land Use Plan is one of four sections of the Comprehensive Plan.

According to the Comprehensive Plan document prepared by Dunkin, Sefko & Associates for the Village of Salado, the Comprehensive Plan is a policy guide.

"The Comprehensive Plan is not the legal guide," Dan Sefko states in the Plan document. "Two primary legal guides serve

to implement the Comprehensive Plan -- the Zoning Ordinance and the Subdivision Ordinance."

The first section of the Comprehensive Plan document is the Foundation, which defines the purpose of a Comprehensive Plan and records the Existing Land Use of property in the Village of Salado.

The second part of the Comprehensive Plan document lays out the Principles for the Comprehensive Planning Process.

The section has eight Guiding Principles along with actions to support those principles.

The Guiding Principles are these:

- Provide opportunities for coordinated well-planned growth and development within the

Village of Salado and the ETJ while maintaining and enhancing the Village's heritage and character.

- Provide a balanced transportation system that is coordinated with existing needs and with plans for future growth, this system should be economical and responsive to environmental concerns.

- Ensure that the needs of existing and future residents and businesses within Salado are adequately served.

- Ensure that adequate parks and open spaces are provided as the Village continues to grow.

- Ensure that the Village of Salado's past is preserved, maintained and honored when making decisions regarding the Village's future.

- Ensure that a positive image of the Village of Salado is projected within its major corridors.

- Ensure that as the Village of Salado experiences growth and development, its existing character and charm is maintained and enhanced.

- Ensure that economic development opportunities are pursued in order to provide the Village with a solid fiscal outlook as future growth and development occurs.

The third part of the Comprehensive Plan is the Future Land Use Plan, which is based on the first Guiding Principle.

Cities should have a Comprehensive Plan (or Strategic Plan) in place to support its zoning ordinances. Cities that have

adopted zoning ordinances without a Future Land Use Plan in place have been sued by property owners for capricious zoning regulations.

Before the board of aldermen begin work on adopting zoning ordinances, it must conduct public hearings on the Future Land Use Plan in which every property owner within the city limits is informed of the meeting via mail.

In addition to the Future Land Use Plan, the Steering Committee will discuss the outline for its Subdivision Ordinance at the April 17 meeting.

Cities may regulate subdivisions within the extra territorial jurisdiction (ETJ), as well as within its city limits. The

city can adopt Subdivision Ordinances without informing individual property owners in writing beforehand.

State law requires cities and counties to reach an agreement on which body will have regulatory authority over subdivisions in the ETJ of a city. Village of Salado aldermen have drafted a resolution in which Bell County will regulate subdivisions in the city's ETJ until the city formally adopts its subdivision ordinances. The resolution has not yet been adopted by the board of aldermen or the county commissioners court.

The fourth part of the Comprehensive Plan document is Transportation

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FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



Money Talks

As they say on the street, "It's all about the Benjamins" — shorthand for the \$100 bills featuring Benjamin Franklin. Well, what's true for drug transactions and other street business also applies to world politics.

The recent raids on mostly Northern Virginia Islamic charities and groups that the feds suspect of involvement in terrorism all have something in common, the Saudis.

Why the Saudi connection? Three reasons: money, money, money.

Imagine if it turned out that Mormon church property in Utah sat above huge diamond reserves, and over the next 30 years the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints could pour unlimited resources — billions and billions of dollars — into its efforts to proselytize.

The Mormons wouldn't have to rely on the Salt Lake City Olympics for public attention. We would be hearing a lot from them as a matter of course.

Essentially, this hypothetical scenario is what happened with the Saudis and their brand of Wahhabi Islam in the early 1970s, producing a spectacular windfall for radical Islam.

As Adam Garfinkle writes in the latest issue of the National Interest: "The Wahhabi version of Sunni Islam is neither traditional nor orthodox. It is a slightly attenuated fundamentalism that dates only from the end of 18th century. As recently as 50 years ago, the large majority of Muslims considered Saudi Wahhabism to be exotic, marginal and austere to the point of neurotic."

What has happened in the past three decades? Gushers and gushers of Saudi cash, which the Saudis have used literally to change the world and the nature of Islam.

The Saudis provide the funds for

The Rich Lowry column



the mosques, they provide imams, they provide the Qurans, they provide the charities — they provide everything.

But all the aid comes with a string attached: It is all skewed to advance the strict Wahhabi interpretation of Islam.

This is why Islam has a more urn-form — and more radical and aggressive — cast than it had 40 years ago, and why Saudi Arabia is at the root of the problem in the war on terrorism.

Toppling the dangerous Saddam Hussein is important — especially in the way it might change the strategic balance in the Middle East — but in some respects it is beside the point.

Saddam Hussein hasn't spread a poisonous radicalism around the globe. He doesn't fund terrorist-tainted organizations in the United States. No, for all that, we have to look to the Saudis.

Which is why they would prefer that we don't look too closely, and the United States has been quietly frustrated at the Saudis' lack of cooperation in unraveling the terrorist money trail.

The first step to confronting the Saudi problem is simply to acknowledge it. President Bush should have a lot to talk to Crown Prince Abdullah about at the Crawford ranch, and the prince's "peace plan" should be the least of it.

Let The Campaigns Begin!

GOPers wait one full day before tossing first verbal bomb at Demo's "Dream Team"

Ron Kirk's runoff victory on April 9, against Victor Morales in the U. S. Senate race, completes what Texas Democrats are calling their "dream team", that they hope will unbuckle the lock Republicans currently have on all statewide elective offices.

The team includes Kirk at the top of the Demo's November ballot, followed by gubernatorial hopeful Tony Sanchez and Lt. Governor wannabe John Sharp. Rounding out the foursome is Attorney General candidate Kirk Watson.

Kirk will face current AG John Cornyn in what is expected to be a free-for-all fight for Phil Gramm's soon to be vacated Senate seat. The Sanchez team will go after incumbent Governor Rick Perry in a money spending orgy that could end up "too close to call." Sharp is currently leading Land Commissioner David Dewhurst as they fidget back and forth in the race for Lt. Governor. Former Austin Mayor Watson will face former Texas Supreme Court jurist Greg Abbott in the campaign for Attorney General — a race that has thus far been singularly dormant.

CORNYN TOSSES FIRST BRICK

The "dream" idea was conjured up by Sharp who figured that a diverse group of Demos would appeal to the white middle class, Hispanic and black blocks who traditionally vote Democratic and might spawn larger than normal numbers with Kirk, a black and Sanchez, a Hispanic, heading the ballot.

John Cornyn's campaign spokesman lost no time in blasting the "Dream Team" idea, calling it nothing more than a "racial quota system!" Many feel this somewhat snotty remark, just 24 hours after the runoff, will boomerang on Republicans who are well known for their lack of currency among minorities and many white working class Texans.

Apparently Cornyn agreed because on "day three", following the runoff he spent hours trying to get as far away from the racial remark as possible. He then took the unusual step of rebuking his controversial manager publicly, saying he was "out of line." The AG is smart enough to know that this sort of rhetoric can galvanize voters against him — even before the campaign gets underway.

Looks like a long hot summer if the first three days are any example of what could be an old fashioned "donnybrook" between entrenched Republicans and reinvigorated Democrats — all scrambling for the top political jobs in Texas.

STATE AND LOCAL RUNOFF TOTALS

Kirk, former Mayor of Dallas, swamped schoolteacher Morales with a 59-41 percent split among 620,097 Demos voting statewide. Totals cast by both parties were embarrassingly low even by today's lackadaisical participation rates — 8 percent of the 12 million Texans registered.

Salado Democrats voted 57-17 for Kirk over Morales. Local GOPers voted in even smaller numbers (47), although many reported later they knew nothing about those running for the state's highest courts — so rather than vote for unknowns — they didn't vote at all.

State and County Republicans following Salado's lead, in light voting, selected Dale Wainwright over Elizabeth Ray, place two on the Supreme Court bench. In the runoff balloting for the Court of Criminal Appeals, winners were Tom Price, place one; Paul Womack, place two and Cathy Cochran, place three.

Salado's precinct 203, has 4456 registered voters. A total of 121 participated

Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



Next Day: Cornyn repudiates "racial quota system" remark by spokesman. Tries to put out fire that many feel could galvanize black, white and Hispanic voters. Everyone agrees it's going to be a long hot summer.

in the runoff — 47 Republicans and 74 Democrats. That figures out to a 2.7 percent turnout!

BUSH V. DASCHLE

It appears the initial strategy of Texas Republicans is to make the Cornyn-Kirk battle into some sort of political loyalty-litmus-test between President Bush and Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle.

Cornyn says he will be on a "team" that will always support Bush and predicts that Kirk will be helping "Team Daschle" who is number one on the Grand Old Party's current "Hate Parade".

Kirk noted that he fully supports the President in his war on terrorism but there are a number of matters needing attention on the domestic front — which he plans to address during the campaign.

He also slyly asked some pointed questions about Cornyn's record as Attorney General including his unusual investment of campaign funds in the stock market. Probably be more on that later!

Nothing yet about the AG's adventures with Enron but that's forthcoming as surely as tornadoes in the Texas springtime.

THINGS TO WATCH

There is an undercurrent of dissent on the horizon that needs watching over the next few months which could impact the critically important general election on November 5 — important for both parties and the President.

Watch for a growing dissatisfaction among Republican partisans over the President's direction in both foreign and domestic matters. This already from such unswerving Bush stalwarts as House Majority Whip Tom DeLay backed up by national columnists George Will and Robert Novak — both popular GOP apologists.

Also, watch gasoline prices climb domestically. Price hikes that should rightly be blamed on globalization's insatiable greediness as well as the effect that oil holdups, by thugs like Hussein and their Arab friends, have on Europe and Japan — even when there is surplus gas in America.

This could alter consumer attitudes about tying our economy so tightly to others worldwide. It won't however change attitudes by international companies who love cheap labor and low offshore tax cheating schemes.

And finally, keep an eye on lawmakers like House Speaker hopeful Tom Craddick (R-Midland) who opine loudly that the State can operate on current tax revenues. "No new taxes" is the GOP general election cry, despite the predicted shortage of cash available when lawmakers reach Austin in January.

Reason for this phony call-to-arms is that the GOP will apparently do or say anything at this point in time to take over the lower house in November. Democrats will respond in kind as the battles heat up this summer. Both groups may even resort to telling lies!

Can you believe it?
That's -30-

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Meet Salado's board of aldermen candidates

Name: Suzi Epps
Education: Bachelor of Architecture with Honors
Age: 47
Occupation: Innkeeper, Registered Architect, Registered Interior Designer



Length of Salado residency: 15+ years

Family Information: Married for 21 years to Lynn Epps; one son, Austin Epps aged 16, sophomore at Salado High School

What local civic or church organizations do you belong to?

Salado Methodist Church; Architectural Review Committee, Construction Committee, Demographics Committee, Salado Chamber of Commerce, Past Director; Salado Business Association, Past Chair; Village of Salado Comprehensive Planning Steering Committee; Village of Salado Plan Review Committee

What experience and/or other qualifications would you bring to board:

As a practicing architect and small business owner in Salado for the past 15 years, I have developed certain insight and appreciation of Salado's historical roots. My participation in the Chamber, SBA, Methodist Church and Village Committees, has given me a better understanding of Salado's current needs and future growth.

What is the single most important issue facing Salado in the next five years? The next 10? What role has the city played or should the city play in relation to this issue?

Misinformation. We have achieved a delicate balance within our community structure by a strong commitment of citizens and business owners who voluntarily give of their time, energy and experience. This is extremely important to retain with our village government dependent upon funds generated by sales tax dollars. The city must strive to keep its citizens informed at every turn. The citizens must be willing to listen and learn and realize the "common good" for the community.

Next 10 years: Growth. Our community's diligence has allowed us to prosper. A conscientious effort must be maintained to facilitate an intelligent pattern for growth and development.

Name: James Ervi II
Education: B.S. Education from Southwest Texas State University
Age: 47
Occupation: Sales Management



Length of Salado Residency: 13 Years.
Family Information: Married for 15 years to

Miriam. Two children, Chelsea and James Ray.

What local civic or church organizations do you belong to?

I currently attend the Methodist Church in Salado.

What experience and/or other qualifications would you bring to board:

During my 25 years in sales management, I have successfully worked with people developing programs and budgets leading to the success of the companies I either worked for or owned. As a small business owner, I can relate to the needs of the merchants and develop ideas that will stimulate business while preserving the quality of life for the homeowners in Salado.

What is the single most important issue facing Salado in the next five years? The next 10? What role has the city played or should the city play in relation to this issue?

Without a doubt, the single most important issue facing Salado is growth and what role does city government play in managing it. Over the next five to ten years, I don't think it's unrealistic to think we could double in size. When you consider we are a twenty-five minute drive from Dell's corporate headquarters -- I hate to say it -- but we can't keep Salado a secret. Therefore, as Austin and its neighbors push to the north, I think we should

anticipate an overflow affect. Moreover, we must develop a strategy that maintains the quality of life we've all come to enjoy. This can only be done by effectively managing growth.

Name: Vic Means
Education: Graduate Texas A&M University.
Age: 68
Occupation: Independent Consultant.



Length of Salado residency: 11 years
Family Information: Wife, Peggy, married for 46 years. Three children, Victor III, 45; Mary Owen, 43; Rebekah Jarrett, 40. We have nine grandchildren.

What local civic or church organizations do you belong to?

Salado Historical Society, Belton Church of Christ, Living Room Theatre of Salado, Central Texas Area Museum, Bell County Museum.

What experience and/or other qualifications would you bring to board:

In the past, I have managed private companies that employed several hundred people. Have previously served as president of a school board in another community. Have served as president of Salado Historical Society, two Rotary Clubs, and served as chairman of the Steering Committee for the Judy and

A.C. Greene Literary Festival. Serve on the Board of Directors of Bell County Museum, Central Texas Area Museum, Salado Living Room Theatre. Have previously served on board of directors of three different companies.

What is the single most important issue facing Salado in the next five years? The next 10? What role has the city played or should the city play in relation to this issue?

The important issues in next five years are completion of our Comprehensive Plan and planning for expansion of I35. Most important 10 year issue is expansion of I35. The Comprehensive Plan establishes our direction and goals for the future. Expansion of I35 will affect everyone in Salado, especially the business community. We must work closely with TxDOT assuring we have proper access during and after construction. This is vital to our business. The Village Council must work and be very involved in these things, but it will take the input and help of the whole community to successfully complete these projects.

Name: Jackie Mills
Education: Philosophy Major... did not graduate.
Age: 69
Occupation: Writer
Length of Salado residency: 15 years

Family Information: Denver Mills, 2 daughters Nancy Mackey and Susan Humiston, married for 50 years



What local civic or church organizations do you belong to?

Past President of the Library Board Past Art Fair Chairman (two terms), Past Board Member of the Cultural Activities Center, Past Officer of the Lutheran Church Women, The City Federation of Women's Clubs, Literary Review Club - On the Board several times, Contemporaries - CAC On the Board several times, Daughters of the American Revolution - Betty Martin Chapter, Junior League of Bell County - Sustaining Member, Austin Writers' League, Salado Historical Society, Mill Creek Community Association, Salado Village Artists - past board member, Salado Chamber of Commerce, Chamber of Commerce Auxiliary, Tablerock Festival of Salado - President.

Honors: Outstanding Community Volunteer - from the City Federation of Women's Clubs, Local Legacy - from the Library of Congress for the outdoor drama "Salado Legends", Woman of Distinction - from the Girls Scouts, Mary Steele

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Introducing Salado school board candidates

Name: Cathy Carlson
Education: Graduate of Southwest Miami High School, Miami, FL. Attended Miami Dade Community College, Business Major
Age: 40
Occupation: Owner/Operator of Cathy's Boardwalk Cafe since 1994
Length of Salado residency: 12 years



Family Information: Married to Frank for 22 years; Daughter Amy: 2001 graduate of SHS, currently attends Temple College; Son Frank: graduates in May 2002 from SHS, plans to attend UMHB in the fall

What local civic or church organizations do you belong to?

Salado United Methodist Church - since 1991; Salado Chamber of Commerce - since 1994; Salado Business Association - since 1994

What experience and/or other qualifications would you bring to board:

My qualifications/experience include: Fiscal responsibility/experienced with budgets, insight on needs & concerns of parents and the community, mentoring with the Village Friends Mentor program, well-informed on legal issues and Board policy, and most important, I am a good listener.

What is the single most important issue facing Salado ISD in the next five years? The next 10? What role has the board of trustees played or should the board of trustees play in relation to this issue?

5 years - As the teacher shortage increases, the pool of qualified candidates decreases. The Board must

focus on recruiting and retaining fully certified teachers to meet the demands of higher TAAS scores. Fair and equitable teacher pay/stipends, health insurance, and morale are challenges the Board must address.

10 years - Any long-term needs will require funding. The Board should concentrate on building the fund balance back to it's state-recommended minimum and make an effort to control budget spending to increase the fund balance to a level which would provide financial security for future needs, whatever they may be.

Name: Deborah Aldridge
Education: Bachelor & Masters of Education (Social Science) Arkansas State University
Age: 51



Occupation: Self-employed (my family owns a retail emporium/mall, Southern Comforts, in Salado)

Length of Salado residency: 8 years

Family Information: husband-Jeffrey Aldridge, married for 11 years; children-at home, Brad Ray, age 16, a junior at SHS; married daughter, Laura Wiles

What local civic or church organizations do you belong to?

Salado School District: Long-Range Planning Committee, Site-Based Management Committee, Athletic Booster Club Secretary, Chamber of Commerce member, Salado Business Association member (Executive Committee-two terms & Secretary two terms), Member of First Baptist Church

What experience and/or

other qualifications would you bring to board:

Sixteen years teaching at middle & high school level (familiarity with educational issues from the teacher's perspective). Service on church & civic committees that required decision-making (I'm informed, solution oriented, and a "team player"). Knowledge of community and District dynamics. As a business owner for eight years, I've dealt with numerous personnel & budget issues.

What is the biggest issue facing the district in the next 5 years? 10 years?

Continued growth to the community and the School District is inevitable and will require future Boards to make important decisions affecting the quality of education at all levels. Maintaining a small student-teacher ratio, continuing the vital improvement of technology systems and curriculum, raising teacher's salaries to a more competitive level so as to attract and retain the best possible faculty, and facilities maintenance and construction will require careful consideration, discussion, negotiation, and compromise. It will be a tremendous challenge.

Name: Frank Steven Benolken
Education: Temple ISD
Age: 39
Occupation: Owner of Temple Tint and Accessories for 21 years; Temple Auto Glass for 12 years; purchased Diamond Liners of Temple last year and operate a cow and calf operation in Salado.



Length of Salado residency: 4 years.

Family Information: Married for 13 years to Lisa Ann; three children, Joshua, 12; Erika, 10 and Jacob, 7.

What local civic or church organizations do you belong to?

Salado Youth Association, Salado Youth Baseball, Belton PRC A Rodeo Committee, First Baptist Church of Salado.

What experience and/or other qualifications would you bring to board:

Being self-employed for 21 years, I would bring management, motivation, foresight and just a whole lot of common sense to help the board reach and attain the goals of the district.

What is the single most important issue facing Salado ISD in the next five years? The next 10? What role has the board played in this or should the board play in relation to this issue?

Future growth and expansion is the most important issue facing the school. We, as trustees, have to look for expansion to meet the future growth in Salado I.S.D. Being not just a Mill Creek golf retreat for retirees, but sought-after by more new families with children in mind, we have to look for the means to house and educate these students, as well as hiring and retaining the best people to teach and inspire our children. We have to ask, what can't we afford to give to our leaders of tomorrow.

Name: Trey Little
Education: Bachelor's Degree, Texas Tech University
Age: 37
Occupation: General Partner and National Utility Marketing Manager at



Sunbelt Transformer, Temple, TX. Employed there 12 years.

Length of Salado residency: 4.5 years

Family Information: Married 12 years to Cathy. Sons: Rob II, Davis 6, Jacob 4

What local civic or church organizations do you belong to?

St. Stephens Catholic Church, Salado, St. Luke's Catholic Church, Temple.

What experience and/or other qualifications would you bring to board:

Over the past decade I have participated in growing an annual \$4 million business into a \$30 million manufacturing operation. I am familiar with budget and financial considerations, thinking on a strategic level, setting goals and achieving them. I bring business experience, creativity and objectivity to the Board.

What is the single most important issue facing Salado ISD in the next five years? The next 10? What role has the board of trustees played or should the board of trustees play in relation to this issue?

The issue of acceptable academic standards should be an important focus for us over the next five years. I think we need to take a fresh look at not necessarily meeting regulated standards, but exceeding them. We need to create high, attainable goals and work under the expectation of achieving them. All of this should happen relative to the diversity of our student population.

Further into the future, we certainly will have facilities issues. We need to create a scenario of what additional programs and activities will be happening at our campuses so that we can plan to provide accordingly.

Name: Kathy Daniell
Education: Associate's Degree from American Institute of Commerce
Age: 34
Occupation: Corporate Travel Manager for Mega-Travel McLane



Length of Salado residency: 1 Year and proud to be here

Family Information: I am married and have 2 children: Casey is 5 years old, and Megan is 3 years old.

What local civic or church organizations do you belong to?

Member of First Baptist Church of Salado

What experience and/or other qualifications would you bring to board:

Management experiences, leadership and organizational skills.

What is the single most important issue facing Salado ISD in the next five years? The next 10? What role has the board of trustees played or should the board of trustees play in relation to this issue?

I feel the single most important issue facing Salado ISD, will be the amount of growth to the community and to student population. My role will be to make sure facilities and funding can accommodate for growth in student population.

Name: Linda Hosch
Education: graduate of Belton High School
Age: 43



Occupation: Substitute Teacher For Belton ISD & Salado ISD

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Aldermen

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Trey Little for Salado School Board of Trustees May 4th

"A vote for Trey Little is a vote for honesty, integrity,
and a strong foundation for academic excellence."

Steven R. Lastovica - Business Owner
Sandra S. Lastovica - Educator

Pol. Ad. By Little for School Board, Bob Little, Treasurer,
3300 Chisholm Trail, Salado, TX.

Service Award from the Contemporaries

What experience and/or other qualifications would you bring to board?

Being instrumental in Salado's incorporation and on the Board of Aldermen since the first election has given me invaluable experience. Each newly elected Alderman took on the task of a City Department Head. My tasks have been Marketing, Tourism, Right-of-ways, Street Signs, Street Repairs, Emergency Management Plan, and other duties.

What is the single most important issue facing Salado in the next five years? The next 10? What role has the city played or should the city play in relation to this issue?

In the next five years our zoning laws (part of the Comprehensive Plan) for the Village will be very controversial. Change is not easy, and zoning will call for change. The aldermen will need input from Salado-citizens with detailed reporting in order not to cause undue concern.

In the next ten years we will be undergoing I-35 expansion and change that will effect businesses in Salado. Our Tourism Department, put into effect in 2002, will help to find innovative ways to bring in tourists despite the obstacles of growth.

Name: Richard (Rick) Ashe

Education: AA degree in Broadcast Communication



tions; Police Academy; State of Texas Leadership Command Collage.

Age: 39

Occupation: Police sergeant with the Temple police department.

Length of Salado Residency: 11 years

Family Information: wife of 13 years, Shannon who is the owner of Salado Wedding Wishes, Daughter Adrienne, three years old.

What local civic or church organizations do you belong to?

Member of the Board of Alderman since December of 2000. Member of the First Baptist church of Salado.

What experience and/or other qualifications would you bring to board?

The most obvious experience is the past year and a half working on the Board of Alderman. I have worked on starting a police department, fixing and maintaining roadways, street signs, and billboards. My experience as a police officer and as a past president of an 8,000 member police association has taught me how to work with different people in any circumstance.

What is the single most important issue facing Salado in the next five years? The next 10? What role has the city played or should the city play in relation to this issue?

I believe the most important issue that will face us is growth, and how to control that growth. Everyone I speak to have some concern about the growth of Salado. With Belton closing in on our northern borders the growth

of the population this issue will be a top priority.

We have begun the process with the comprehensive plan that the Committee has been working on for the past few months. We must have plans in place on zoning and sub-divisions or we may not recognize our village in a few years. Other issues that will need to be addressed will be alcohol sales, animal control issues, including a possible new shelter, and the ETJ issues with Belton.

Name: Michael Ross Cooper

Education: B.A. University of Texas at Austin, 1961; L.L.B. University of Texas School of Law, 1964.

Occupation: Attorney

Length of Salado Residency: Four years.

Family information: Married for 40 years in June to Frances "T9E" Cooper, three adult children: Lucy, Michael, Stephen.

What local civic or church organizations do you belong to?

Member of the vestry of St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Belton. Treasurer of St. Luke's Episcopal Church.

What experience and/or other qualifications would you bring to board?

I have served as an Alderman since incorporation of the village, and was active in the successful incorporation effort. As an attorney, I feel I have been valuable to the Board in bringing my 35 years of legal experience to

bear on issues that have effect a newly incorporated city, and in lessening the amount of legal fees the Village would otherwise have incurred.

What is the single most important issue facing Salado in the next five years? The next 10? What role has the city played or should the city play in relation to this issue?

The successful completion of a comprehensive plan that is particularly tailored to the unique character of Salado, and presently responsive to the needs and desires of its citizens, while at the same time cognizant of the potential impact of future growth, and possible changes with which the village will have to cope. It will be important to work with TXDOT to assure the widening of I-35 will protect the integrity of Salado and its sales tax base, and to minimize the negative impact on its business base. In the next five to 10 years, it will be important to clean up Salado Creek, and to ascertain an economical method to permanently preserve the creek.

Justice to speak to Rotary Club

Jan Patterson, Justice of the Third Court of Criminal Appeals, Place Three, will speak to the Salado Rotary Club 11:30 a.m. April 23 at the Stagecoach Inn. The public is invited to the meeting, but reservations are necessary for lunch.

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Sanders speaks at Institute April 20-21

Scott Russell Sanders, whose essays have won numerous literary and other prizes, will be the fourth and final guest speaker in the Spring Series of the Institute for the Humanities at Salado, April 20-21. On Saturday, April 21 Mr. Sanders, who is a distinguished professor in the Indiana University Department of English and Creative Writing, will lead a seminar on "Learning Restraint." The topic of his Sunday presentation on April 22 is "Building Arks."

Scott Russell Sanders has published essays, fiction, a study of the writer D.H. Lawrence, and book-length nonfictional works. Sanders grew up at a military munitions base, where his father was employed. This experience is described in the title essay of his 1987 collection, The Paradise of Bombs. In the book Staying Put: Making a Home in a Restless World (1993) he celebrates the pleasures of attachments to place, home, and family. In his 1998 book titled Hunting for Hope: A Father's Journey he addresses his teenage son's rejection of despair, and celebrates his own reasons for hope and optimism in the midst of the challenges of the present moment in human history. His personal nonfiction has won the Lannan Literary Award, and the Great Lakes Book Award. Sanders has also written books for children, including Aurora Means Dawn, The Floating House, and Hear the Wind. His writing appears frequently in *Audubon*, *Orion*, and many anthologies. His most recent book is The Force of Spirit, meditations on the sacred in every day life. Sanders reports that in all of his books he is concerned with "our relation to nature, issues of social justice, the character of community, and implications of science, and the search for a spiritual path."

On April 22 he will speak at a faculty convocation at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, in Temple; and at 6 p.m. April 22 he will be a guest speaker in Cameron, in a program co-sponsored with All Saints Episcopal Church. These are part of the on-going outreach commitment of the Institute for the Humanities.



Scott Russell Sanders

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Killworth becomes bride of Drummond

Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Killworth, of Lake Travis announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter Alissa Ann to Hunter Ross Drummond, son of Ms. Rebecca Drummond of Salado, and Thomas Drummond of Austin.

Alissa graduated from the University of Texas At Austin in 1999, with a degree in English, and is a Technical Writer with Southeastern Computer Consultants in Austin.

Hunter served in the United States Army during the conflicts in Bosnia and Kuwait, and continues to serve today in the National Guard. He is a Heavy Equipment Technician with Holt Company. The couple plan to marry April 20, 2002.

Ladies Retreat April 20 held by Church of Christ

The Salado Church of Christ is sponsoring a Ladies Day Retreat on April 20 at the Salado Church of Christ Building. The retreat will begin at 10 a.m. and end at 1 p.m.

A group of 12 women from the Daingerfield, Texas Church of Christ will present a dramatic program, "I Was There," depicting stories of several women from the Bible.

A luncheon will be provided following the presentation. To make reservations for the luncheon, please contact one of the following: Ruth Daw, 947-5667; Nila Sparks, 947-1039; or Jo Griffitt 947-1080.

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Barker passes away in his residence April 4

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Roger Stewart Barker, age 65, died April 2 at his residence in Salado. Funeral services were held at Salado United Methodist Church April 4 with Rev. Grady Brittain, Rev. Skip Blancett and Rev. Joe Bentley officiating. Mr. Barker was interred in Salado Cemetery.

He was born June 21,

1936 in Athens, Ohio, the son of A.B. and Elma White Barker. He was graduated from Texas A&M University. Mr. Barker served in the U.S. Marine Corp.

He married Joyce K. Hunter on August 28, 1961 in Alice, Texas.

He lived in Salado for 31 years.

He was a member of Salado United Methodist Church.

Survivors are his wife, Joyce K. Barker, of Salado; two sons, Roger Neil Barker, of Killeen and Randolph (Randy) Barker, of Belton; a daughter, Dianna Lynn Zulauf, of Salado, and seven grandchildren.

He is also survived by two sisters, Frances B. Bentsen and Evelyn B. Gilley, both of Dallas.

Memorial donations may be made to Salado United Methodist Church or the charity of the giver's choice.

Harper-Talasek Funeral Home was in charge of services.

Crime Victims' Week April 21 - 27

ASK THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
JOHN CORNYN

The week of April 21 - 27 is Crime Victims' Rights Week. Assisting victims of crime is a top priority for my office. Instead of my usual question-and-answer column, I want to take this opportunity to present information on the rights of victims of crime.

Thanks to TV shows and movies, most of us can recite the rights afforded to people who are arrested for a crime. Unfortunately, many people do not know about the rights that Texas law grants victims of crime.

The Office of the Attorney General oversees the Texas Crime Victims' Compensation Fund, which provides financial assistance to victims of violent crime and their families.

Staff from our agency provide support to statewide and local crime victim services providers through our Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services unit and our new \$20 million Victim Assistance Discretionary Grant Award program.

In addition, staff members from my office provide training to the general public and law

enforcement and criminal justice professionals to increase understanding, awareness and enforcement of victims rights.

According to the Texas Constitution and the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, victims and their families have the right to be informed, protected, present and heard throughout the criminal justice procedure.

Informed

By law, victims and their families must be provided with information on how the criminal justice system operates. They have the right to be informed of any plea arrangements in their case and to be informed of the defendant's right to post bail.

Law enforcement agencies and other criminal justice authorities must also provide victims with information about organizations that can provide assistance. Examples include rape crisis centers, battered women's shelters and the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund.

Protected

Judges must take the safety of the victim into account when setting bail for a defendant. In addition, law enforcement

agencies must provide the victim with adequate protection from harm. A victim's home address and phone number must be kept confidential in the court's file.

In cases of family violence and stalking, the victim has the right to be informed of the perpetrator's release from custody. In certain instances, the law enforcement agency may hold a perpetrator for an additional number of hours to allow the victim to take necessary safety precautions.

Victims of sexual assault are allowed to use pseudonyms to protect their identity. And law enforcement agencies must pay any costs associated with gathering forensic evidence.

Present

Victims have the right to be present for court proceedings. However, if a victim is going to testify in a case, the judge may bar him or her from the courtroom. Victims have the right to be heard through written impact statements at the trial and sentencing hearings. A victim may also present an oral statement to the court and the defendant. These statements allow victims, or their families,

to tell the court and the defendant how the crime has affected their lives. In addition, victims are allowed to request restitution from the defendant.

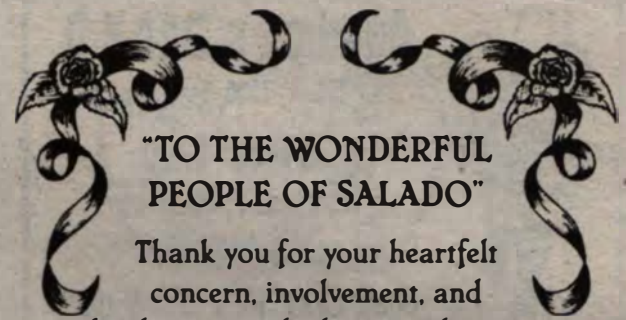
Assistance

Prosecutors and law enforcement agencies must have a victim assistance coordinator to help ensure that victims are informed of their rights.

My office has provided funding in several jurisdictions to hire and train these coordinators. In addition, my office oversees the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund, which provides assistance with out-of-pocket medical, funeral and counseling expenses related to the crime. Victims and their families may also be eligible for loss of support assistance and relocation funds.

The Fund is supported by the criminals; each person in Texas who is found guilty of a crime contributes to the Fund.

For more information on the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund and the rights of victims, visit the Crime Victim Services section of our Web site at www.oag.state.tx.us. You can also call our office at 800-983-9933.



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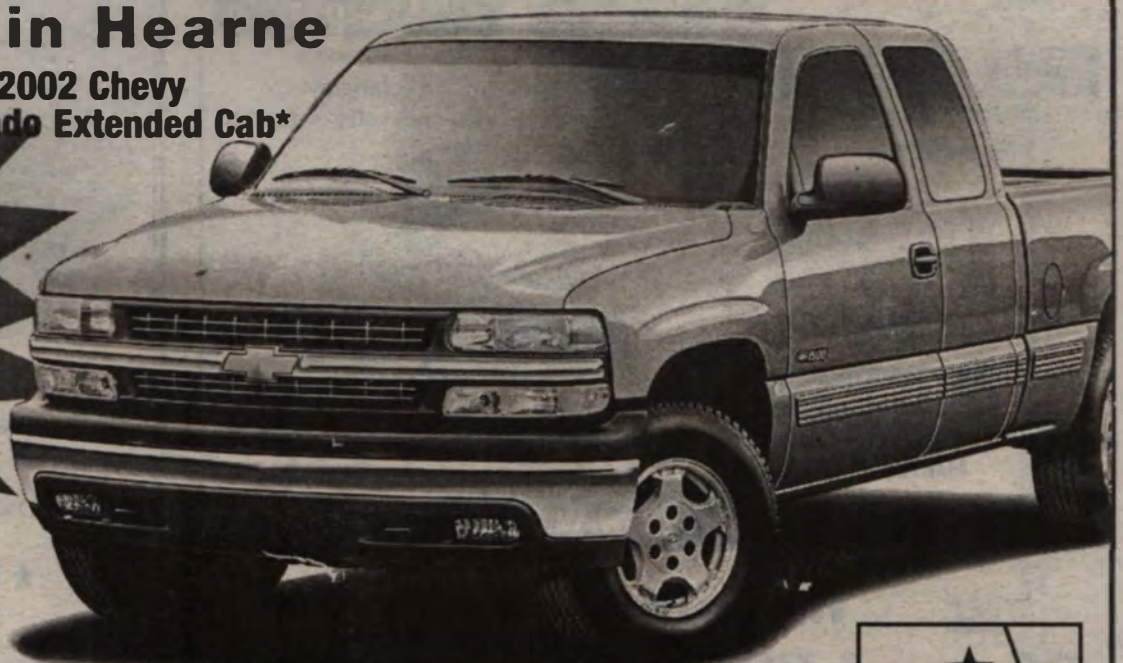
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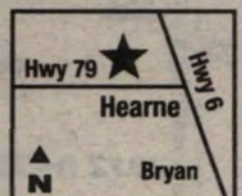
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
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SPORTS

SHS sends six to regional meet

Salado track teams will send six competitors to the Regional Track Meet after they placed in the top two at the District Track Meet April 9 in Jarrell. The girls team took second place overall with 105 points, behind Academy, which had 137 points.

Lauren Mewhinney won the district 3200 Meter Run with a time of 12:03.5, more than a half minute faster than the second place runner, Stacey Stewart, of Academy, who had a 12:39.4.

Mewhinney also won the 1600 Meter Run with a time of 5:27.7. It was also more than a half minute faster than the second place finisher Van Cleave, of Academy.

This is Mewhinney's third trip to Regionals in Track.

Brinn Newman won the Pole Vault with a vault of 8'6" to qualify for regionals.

Amanda Tumey won the High Jump with a mark of 4'10". This will be her second trip to Regionals.

Michelle Houston will return to regionals in the 300 Meter Hurdles. She placed second in the event with a time of 49.28, a tenth of a second behind the first place finisher Simank, of Thorndale. Houston's time set a school record.

Nick Everett won both the 3200 Meter Run and the 1600 Meter Run to qualify for Regionals. Everett ran a 10:37.0 in

the 3200 Meter run. He also ran a 4:46.8 in the 1600 Meter Run to win the event.

Jose Tonchez won the 300 Meter Hurdles with a time of 41.65.

Other scoring points at the District Track Meet include the following:

Houston placed third in the 110 Meter Hurdles with a time of 17.05.

Robyn Womac placed third in the shot put with a mark of 35'9".

Brittany Boydston was third in the High Jump with a mark of 4'6".

The 1600 Meter Relay of Mewhinney, Staci York, Jenny Goode and Womac was third with a time of 4:23.9.

Jenny Ewton was fourth in the Pole Vault with a 7'6" vault.

Brittani Goodnight was fourth in the 800 Meter Run with a 2:39.2 and Laramie Wilson was fifth with a 2:42.1.

The 800 Meter Relay team of Goode, York, Stephanie Clark and Womac was fourth with a time of 1:54.8.

York was fifth in the Triple Jump with a leap of 31'3/4" and sixth in the Long Jump with a leap of 14'8".

Matt Brown was third in the Pole Vault with a mark of 12'.

Tonchez was fourth in the 110 Meter Hurdles with a time of 17.31.

The 1600 Meter Relay
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Track Meet

team was third, running for a 3:37.9.

The 400 Meter Relay ran for a 45.75 for fifth place.

Junior Varsity Boys

The JV Boys earned 62 points at the District Meet for fourth place. Following are their individual placements in the meet:

Jarrold Whitfield was sixth in the Shot Put with a throw of 37'10-1/2".

Williams was fifth in the Discus with a throw of 102'2".

D.J. Hampton vaulted 10' for second place in Pole Vault. Sean Rex was third place at 10'.

Kris Stineman was third in the 3200 Meter, running for an 11:42.0.

The 400 Meter Relay team ran a 48.42 for

Stineman was sixth in the 800 Meter Run with a time of 2:24.2.

Sean Rex was fourth in the 110 Meter Hurdles with a 19.06 and Fet-

terman was fifth with a 19.21.

In the 400 Meter Dash, Austin Rogers was fourth, running 57.69.

Rex was fifth in the 300 Meter Hurdles with a time of 48.01.

Zach Coffman was sixth in the 1600 Meter Run with a time of 5:27.0.

The 1600 Meter Relay placed third at 3:54.0.



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Eagles drop three in a row

BY MELVIN BATES

The Eagles have lost three straight and are fighting for third place in District 25AA.

On April 12, the Eagles were defeated by the Academy Bumblebee 9-6. The third straight loss dropped the Eagles to third place in district with three games to play.

Academy held a 1-0 lead through four innings of play. They increased their lead to 4-0 with three runs in the fifth. Their lead grew to 9-0 with five runs in the top of the sixth.

Salado finally got on the board with three runs in the bottom of the sixth. Miles Wallace and Lane Wolff hit consecutive singles to start the inning. Randy Tubbs drew a walk to load the bases. A John Kirk single drove in the Eagles first run. Jeremy Grimm followed with a single to bring in the second. Tubbs scored the Eagles third run

on an error.

The Eagles made a game of it with three runs in the bottom of the seventh. The game ended with the tying run at the plate.

Scott Bates lead off the seventh with a walk. Wolff doubled the deep right center and bates scored on an error on the play. Heath Hale followed with a sacrifice fly to score Wolff. Pinch hitter Ben Marsh drilled a double down the left field line.

Marsh scored on a Kirk single to make the score 9-6. Hunter Konzen followed with a walk to bring the trying run to the plate. The Eagles rallying ended there as they could not squeeze out another run.

Lane Wolff was 3 of 4 on the night to lead the offense. Grimm and Kirk added two hits each. Grimm absorbed his first loss of the season on the mound. He went 5 1/3 innings allowing eight hits.

He stuck out ten. Miles Wallace finished up on the mound.

The Eagles were crushed by the visiting Hutto Hippos on April 8. The Eagles took an early lead, but could not keep up with the heavy weight hitting of the Hippos.

In the bottom of the first Roland Buckley gave Salado their only lead of the night. He reached on an outfield error and eventually scored on another Hutto error.

Hutto scored four runs in the top of the second, but the Eagles came right back with three to tie it up at 4.

Salado's runs came on consecutive singles by John Kirk and hunter Konzen, followed by home run by Jeremy Grimm.

In the second inning the next nine batters went down in order as Hutto continued scoring and scoring and scoring for a final 18-4 win.



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MGA tournament set for May

The 2002 Mill Creek Men's Golf Association Member/Guest Golf Tournament will be held May 3-5. May 3rd will be the official Creek #3 Course Dedication and Memorial Ceremony. This year's events are not only for the golfers, but their spouses as well. Robert Trent Jones will be attending and all the activities will be courtesy of Mill Creek.

Play will be by two man teams. Each will consist of a regular member of the Mill Creek Men's Golf Association (MGA) and his guest.

The following is the events schedule beginning May 3:

- Practice Round: There will be no green fee or cart fee, shotgun start at 12 p.m., a box lunch will be provided.

- Pairings Party: At the Mill Creek Restaurant, following the practice round for players and spouses. Heavy Hors d'oeuvres, beer and wine will be included. A cash bar will be available for liquor. Ladies Rider Pool event is sponsored by Mill Creek Inn and Country Club.

Dinner — FROM PAGE 1A

Park Dr. A dinner of chicken with a caper wine-sauce and beef ragout with mushroom hoisin sauce along, garlic mashed potatoes and sauteed vegetables will be catered by Inn on the Creek. Cathy's Cafe will provide assorted salads, including a spring mix, marinated mushrooms and garden pasta salad, and dessert, chocolate fudge pecan pie.

All proceeds from these two events benefit the Salado Education Foundation.

"This is a wonderful opportunity to make a difference in our children's futures," said Salado ISD Superintendent Robin Battershell. "The goal is to be able to provide a scholarship to every Salado High School graduate in the near future."

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May 4:

- Tee times start at 9 a.m. on both Creek #1 and #3

- Ladies Style Show and Luncheon: 11:30 a.m. at Mill Creek Restaurant. Sponsored by Cio A Unique Ladies Boutique.

- Dinner and Dance: 7 p.m. - 11 p.m. at Mill Creek Restaurant. The meal consists of Ribeye Steak, along with all the trimmings, an open bar and country music by Backroads.

May 5:

- Shotgun Start 9:30 a.m. 18 Hole Modified Alternate Shot Creek #2 and 3:

- BBQ Lunch and Awards Ceremony at Mill Creek restaurant for the players and spouses. Tea, beer and wine are included.

- Hole-In-One Contests both days: Sponsored by Toyota of Killeen.

Entry forms are available at the Pro Shop. It must be returned by April 22. This is necessary for Mill Creek to have the correct number of tee prizes, and give a firm count for all the food and beverage events.

Lady Eagles hope to end skid

Salado Lady Eagles hope to end a five-game winless streak this week and finish the season on a winning note.

The Lady Eagles lost softball games to Academy and Moody last week.

The Academy Lady Bees stung the Lady Eagles 21-0 in Salado. The Bees jumped out to a 10-0 lead in the first inning and never looked back.

Salado committed 11 errors on the night. Randi Rader got the only hit for Salado with a single in the first inning.

The Lady Eagles committed eight errors and allowed 12 walks and five hits. Moody runners stole 11 bases on the Eagles.

After being held scoreless in the first inning, the Lady Eagles scored three runs in the second inning.

Amanda Tumey got on first with a walk and stole second base. Brittani

Goodnight drove her in with a one-out single. Goodnight scored on a double by Meagan Fleck. Fleck scored when Michelle Houston got to base on an error by the shortstop. She scored when Randi Rader hit a single. Rader was left stranded at second base.

Robyn Womac got on first base on stole second base. She also stole home for the Lady Eagles' only run in the third inning.

Salado scored again in the fifth inning with three runs.

Kim Dillon got on base on an error by the third baseman. She scored on a single by Lindsay Quirk. Quirk stole second and third base and scored on a sacrifice by Goodnight.

Womac got on with a walk, stole second and scored before the Moody squad could record the

Salado Area Republican Women meet 11:30 a.m. April 18 for lunch at Stagecoach Inn

The monthly meeting for Salado Area Republican Women will be held 11:30 a.m. April 18 at The Stagecoach Inn.

Dr. Robin Battershell, the Superintendent of Salado Public Schools, will be the speaker and will discuss trends and legal issues affecting public education in Texas.

There has been much emphasis on the quality of public education at both the state and national level lately. Current changes will be the focus of Dr. Battershell's talk and comes at an apropos time, according to Barclay McCort, First Vice President of Salado Area Republican Women.

Those individuals interested in attending should contact Barclay McCort by noon April 16 at bam2@flash.net or at 947-3617.

The cost will be \$11 payable at the door. Each participant will have a choice of three salad entrees from the menu; a dessert and a beverage. One does not need to be a member to attend the meeting but reservations are necessary.

Next month's program will feature Representative Dianne White Delesi and will be a dinner program on May 16. More information will be forthcoming

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Plan — FROM PAGE 1A

Plan. The Steering Committee has approved the Transportation Plan after making substantial changes to the map. The Steering Committee removed a connector road linking Chisholm Trail and Stinnett Mill Rd, as well as downgrading and moving a proposed road east of Salado Oaks Subdivision. The proposed road will connect Royal Street with Holland Rd.

Residents along Chisholm Trail and Stinnett Mill Rd., as well

as residents of Salado Oaks, signed petitions in opposition to the proposed roads and designations of existing roads.

In response to the opposition, the Steering Committee directed Dan Sefko to make changes in the proposed Transportation Plan.

The Steering Committee meetings are open to the public. Notice is published in the *Salado Village Voice* of the meetings to give citizens opportunity for input on the Comprehensive Plan.



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Mill Creek Spring Fling

Michael Cooper (left) and wife Frances visit with Jim Sewell during the Mill Creek Community Association's Spring Fling. Members of the MCCA met for a Mexican Dinner buffet in the Longhorn Room of the Stagecoach Inn.

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School board

FROM PAGE 3A

Length of Salado residency: 5 yrs.

Family information: Married for 7 years to Ronnie; Children: 2 sons, 3 stepsons

What local civic or church organizations do you belong to:

Member of the Miller Heights Baptist Church in Belton

What experience and or other qualifications would you bring to board:

Being a substitute teacher for both Belton ISD and Salado ISD

What is the single most important issue facing Salado ISD in the next 5 years? The next 10 years? What role has the board of trustees played or should the board of trustees play in the relation of this issue?

The single most important issue would have to be the growth of Technology in our schools. The board of trustees would need to look into the future to see what needs to be done now to allow for this growth. The board would need to have this researched with area business and our surrounding counties to see what technology is needed to enhance and prepare our students for the future. Technology is changing everyday so this would have to be an on going research for our students now and in the future.

Name: John H. Konzen
Education: 1981 graduate

of Texas A&M B.S. Engineering Technology

Age: 43

Occupation: Engineering Consultant - Owner of HOT Inspection Services, Inc.

Length of Salado residency: 4 years

Family Information: Married 19 years to Nancy. Three children; Hunter (senior at SHS), Johnna (Soph SHS) and Justin (7th grade SIS).

What local civic or church organizations do you belong to?

Member of Salado United Methodist Church. SISD School Board (chairman of Facilities & Maintenance committee) Long Range Planning committee (co-chair for Facilities) Salado Athletic Booster Club

What experience and/or other qualifications would you bring to board:

One complete three year term serving as member of the school board and committee chairman of Policy, Construction and Facilities/Maintenance. My experience in construction and preventative maintenance is valuable when developing construction estimates and making assessments of the school districts physical plant. I have a clear understanding of budgeting, management and what needs that our administration, staff and students have.

What is the single most important issue facing Salado ISD in the next five years? The next 10? What role has the board of trustees played or should the board of trustees play in relation to this issue?

GROWTH. If the growth



increases like the development of property has over the last two years, then this district will be faced with deciding what campus to expand and where. At the current pace, we will have over 400 students in the high school which now accommodates a few over 300 with portable classrooms being utilized. We have started long range planning that has taken growth into consideration to some extent. We must look at new ways to fund our budget through grants, and creative finance in order to keep tax increases at a minimum. Anticipation is important in order that our long range planning and the budget process meets the needs of our future.

Name: Cliff Coleman

Education: Degree in Engineering from Texas A&M University

Age: 33

Occupation: Business owner.

Length of Salado residency: Grew up in Salado, attended Salado schools 1975-1987. Returned to Salado in 1996.

Family Information: Married to former Christy Brunson, also of Salado. One son, Josh, a 6th grader, and a daughter, Amy, who is four years old.

What local civic or church organizations do you belong to:

Salado Youth Baseball board member and President.



Member First Baptist Church of Salado.

What experience and/or other qualifications would you bring to the board?

At some point in everyone's life, they should offer themselves to their community. Being active in Salado Youth Baseball made me realize I want to expand my involvement in the community and take a greater role in seeing that we provide the best education we can and help in shaping kids' lives.

What is the single most important issue facing Salado ISD in the next five years? The next 10? What role has the board played in this or should the board play in relation to this issue?

The most important issue facing Salado ISD is education. I will focus my attention on making sure we provide each student with the best education the district can afford. I support our administrator's efforts in trying to hire the best teachers we possibly can. Obviously, the better the educator, the better the education. The school district must hire faculty who is not only the top educators around but also role models our children can emulate. Salado parents should feel proud their children are attending a school that allows them to participate in an array of activities.

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SHS One Act Play performed

The Salado High School one act play "Bad Seed" will be presented 2 p.m. April 18 and 7 p.m. for students, staff, parents and community.

This award winning production of the Maxwell Anderson play features several local students whose talents were recognized at two area dramatic festivals and during the UIL Zone and District one act play contests.

This year's group under the faculty direction of Gary Askins, and Karen Ewton, with the full time assistance of the student director Sara Culver, takes a dramatic look at the age old question of predetermination.

"It really doesn't provide an answer but I think this play and this particular production asks a very good question... Are there people born in this world beyond all our efforts to help? Are there some of us who are, as the title suggests, just Bad Seeds? Are there some souls beyond redemption? I

think it's an issue worth talking about and my students and I have had a great time trying to grapple with all the related issues. And if you think the answer to those questions were and are easy... I would like to introduce you to one of the main characters in our play her name is Rhoda Penmark." said Askins.

Rhoda is played by Paige Herrick, who in her first year in drama, has won All-Star cast everytime they've performed the play.

Adria Raley, a senior, plays Mrs. Penmark. Adria has also consistently been named to all-star casts and singled out by festival judges for her limitless talent and superb performances. Mandy Tsosie as the bereaved Mrs. Daigle, has also consistently been added to every all-star cast and after viewing this show you will understand why. Joe Dobson, also graduates this year, and his all-star skills will be missed Askin said. This year he plays the role of Leroy the doomed

handyman.

There have been several actors singled out at various times through the production and critique process. These essential characters have been, Tiffany Young, Chris Ledbetter, Dee Couch, Frank Carlson, Matt Von Gotten, Clayton Cook, Tim Hodgin, and Cody Quirk.

"All of the above named individuals have contributed to the artistic success of this production. I want them to know that I'm proud of them for what they have accomplished and will create in the years to come." concluded Askins.

The crew this year that Culver assembled "worked especially hard to create sound, lights, costumes, sets, props and make-up that were authentic to the play. Crew members are Kelli Cook, Romie Urquiza, Erin Lummus, Angela Hogwood and Benton Ewton.

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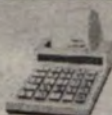
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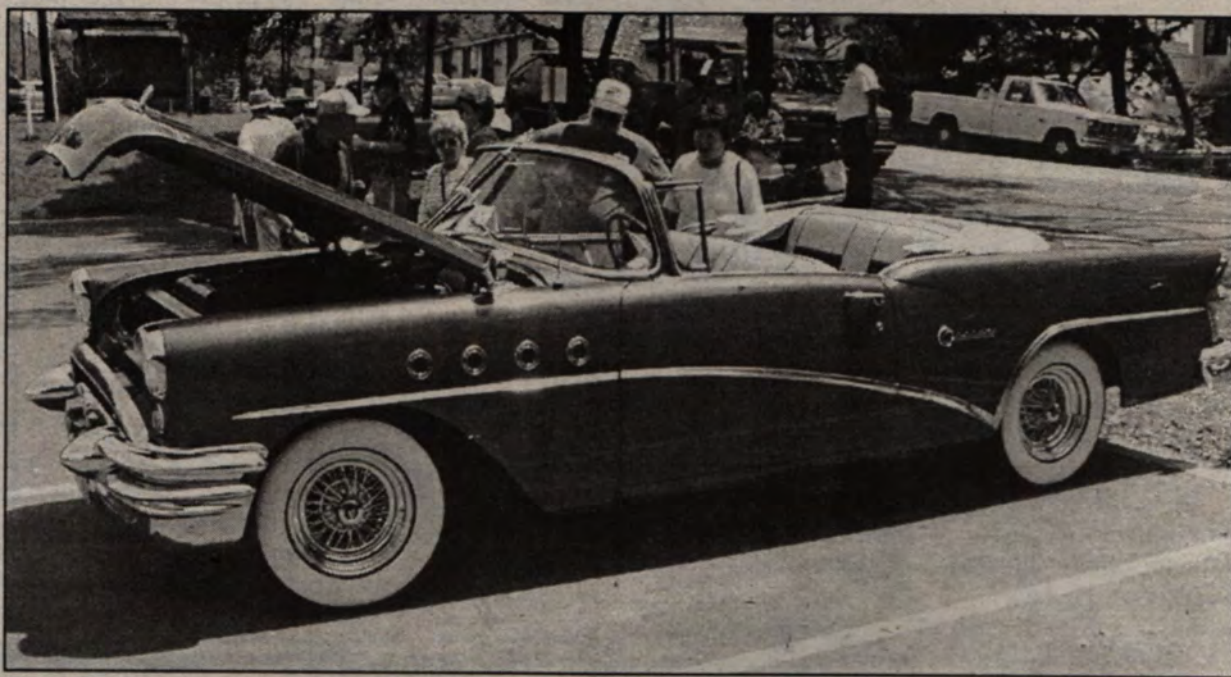
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Grace files for re-election

Killeen businessman announced April 11 that he is seeking re-election to his current role as President and Director of the Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District, Bell County. This position is one of five board seats up for election in May of this year.

Grace, a long-time leader in the Killeen business community, is the owner of the Lawn Barber Landscaping and Lawn Maintenance Company. Involved in public service at the local, state and national level, he was first elected to the Board of Directors in August 1999, and later President in October 1999. Grace managed surface water as the Director of the Brazos River Authority and both surface and

ground water as the Director of the Region G Water Planning Group. This entity is responsible for the state's 50-year water plan. He currently serves as its director now.

"Having been a part of Bell County for the past 20 years and watching the area double to over a 240,000 population, I'm very passionate about using my expertise in making sure that we manage our water wisely," Grace said.

He also said that his commitment to serving the County and managing its water resources is reflected in his record of public service, especially with his perfect attendance at the board meetings. "I am running again for this office because I believe

that my record of public service and commitment to addressing the challenges Bell County faces in managing groundwater," Grace said. "I know that the citizens of Bell County see that commitment and would want me to continue to work hard for them."

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April 17 - 23

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April 18: Ham & Cheese Muffin, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk

April 19: Biscuit, Sausage Patty, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk

April 22: Waffles, Sausage Link, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk

April 23: Sausage Roll, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk

Lunch Menu

April 17: Pizza, Corn, Breadstick, Fruity Freeze, Hoagie, Chef Salad, Baked Potato, Milk

April 18: Hot Dog w/cheese, Nacho Rounds, Vegetable, Pineapple, Hoagie, Chef Salad, Baked Potato, Milk

April 19: Cheeseburger, French Fries, Pickle Spears, Fruity Freeze, Hoagie, Chef Salad, Baked Potato, Milk

April 22: Pizza, Seasoned Fries, Pears, Hoagie, Chef Salad, Baked Potato, Milk

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Alderman meet April 18

Salado aldermen will meet in regular session 6:30 p.m. April 18 at the Municipal Building at 313 N. Stagecoach Rd.

Old Business items will include discussion of HB 1445, which requires cities and counties with Extra Territorial Jurisdictions (ETJ) to enter into agreement identifying which will have regulatory authority in the ETJ, the city's depository agreement and animal control.

The following are New Business items: Fair Housing Month Proclamation, Goals for 2002-2003, Budget Guidance, Village investment policy, report from governmental training and report from Bell County Health District meeting.

The aldermen will meet again 6:30 p.m. May 2.

Police investigate assault

Salado Police are investigating a possible assault following a call at 11:34 p.m. April 14 to Salado Creek Rd.

Bell County Sheriff's Department initially responded to the 911 call for a gunshot being fired on Salado Creek Rd.

One man was taken to Scott & White Hospital, his injuries the result of a possible assault. He was not hit by the gunshot, according to Police Chief Alan Rogers, who was also called onto the scene.

Chief Rogers said that

he was interviewing witnesses of the possible assault, but no charges have been filed as of press time April 15.

Chief Rogers added that no one was taken into custody at the scene of the possible assault.

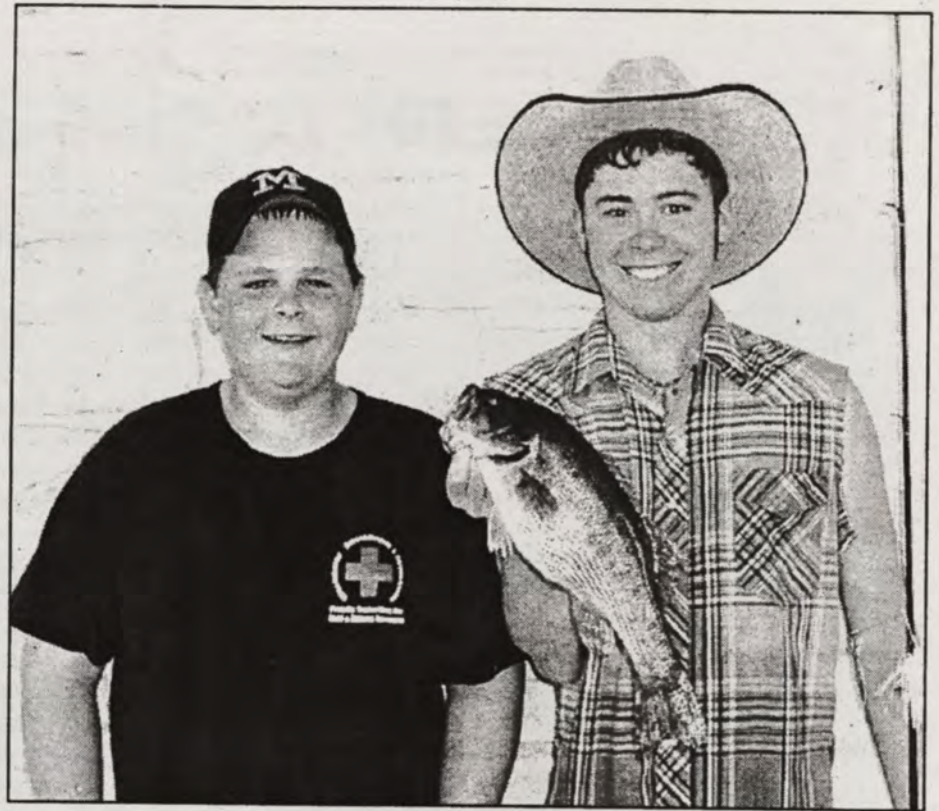


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Gone Fishin' Spring break offered Josh Griffin age 16 and friend Bobby Christian time to fish along the banks of Salado Creek at Pace Park. Josh is showing off his 3 1/2 pound smallmouth bass he caught on a spinner bait. Josh a Junior at Salado High School says he has been fishing the creek since he was little.

Demo Women meet April 20

The Bell County Democratic Women will meet April 20 at the Democratic Headquarter located at 202 East First Street in Belton.

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But be aware that fraud artists know this too and are looking for ways to rip you off. Investment scams on the radar screen of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (EDIC) typically start with offers of guaranteed big returns (even up to 100 percent or more), business opportunities and other "no-risk" deals.

Here are just a few:

- **Fraudulent sales of stocks, bonds and other financial instruments.** In these age-old "Ponzi" or "pyramid" schemes, scam artists promise high returns and use the money of some investors to pay off other

investors until the con artist decides to flee the area and leave some people with nothing but worthless paper.

- **False or misleading sales of certificates of deposit (CDs).** The trusted bank CD has long been considered to be among the safest financial investments available. However, unsuspecting consumers increasingly are being victimized by criminals or unscrupulous brokers who use improper or confusing disclosure statements or outright fraud. Some shady brokers have sold elderly people CDs with a very long maturity, perhaps a 20- or 30-year commitment for the investor, by misleading the consumers into believing the CD can be redeemed without penalty after, say, one year.

- **Promissory note fraud.** A promissory note is an interest-paying IOU generally issued by companies wanting to raise cash to finance operations. Investors in these notes tend to be other corporations, not consumers, because a sophisticated analysis is recommended before putting up money. However, criminals have preyed on unsuspecting consumers by offering guaranteed high rates of return on promissory notes that are bogus, often for nonexistent companies, and the investor soon discovers that the entire investment is lost.

- **The "Nigerian scam."** This is an old scam that continues to bilk investors out of billions of dollars. It works like this: A consumer receives an unsolicited fax, e-mail or letter

from someone claiming to be a foreign government official, business executive or citizen asking for your "help" in one of many scenarios. Perhaps the letter offers a lucrative reward or business opportunity if you allow the perpetrators to "park" funds in your U.S. bank account. But first, you will be required to pay various types of government "fees" and "taxes." For those who comply, their money is gone forever. This fraud is widely known as "the Nigerian scam" because it originated in Nigeria and still flourishes there, but crooks in other countries are copying it with impunity.

Next week, I'll pass on some suggestions for how you can avoid being taken in by investment scams like these.

Business Association meets with new Salado Tourism Director

Salado Business Association members met with Tourism Director April Allen at the group's monthly meeting April 4 at Country Place Bed and Breakfast Inn.

SBA chair Patty Thomas introduced Allen, who told the group that she is "trying to meet with the B&B and lodging business to get a feel of what they do and what they offer."

She said that she met earlier with the SBA executive committee, "since the SBA has been the main marketing group for the last few

years. I wanted to see what they have been doing so that we can do something to complement it."

"I am amazed at the consensus of feelings among the business owners," Allen said, adding that she interprets her conversations with them to mean that they want "slow, steady growth in keeping the village the same as it is today as much as possible."

The SBA members also discussed advertising in Texas Monthly and billboards in Waco

and Troy along I-35. Suzi Epps reported that the billboard in Troy lists four events coming up in Salado, including the Wildflower Art Show and Salado Sesquicentennial in April.

"That board shows that there are a lot of events going on in Salado," Epps said.

SBA Treasurer George McAulay reported that the SBA has over \$21,000 in dues from its members and \$2,000 flowing over from the previous year.

McAulay reported that the group has spent

\$2,800 in the past month, almost \$2,000 of it for Sesquicentennial T-shirts.

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Sales tax receipts up locally

While the state sales tax receipts have dipped in April, sales tax rebates to Bell County governments continue to grow.

In fact, the April payment to the Salado Public Library District is 16 percent higher than last year's payment. The Library District received a check of \$11,743.32 for the half-cent sales tax that it levies. So far this year, sales tax rebates are running more than 10 percent higher compared to last year through April. The Library District has received \$61,327.6 in the first four months of the year. Last year, it had received \$55,480.44 through April. Village of Salado received a check of

\$17,564.89 in April to bring the 2002 total to \$97,147.81. There are no prior year comparisons available since this is the first year for the city to collect the one percent sales tax.

Bell County has also shown a large increase in sales tax payments. The County received a check of \$681,979.77, almost 10 percent more than last year's April payment. In 2002, it has received \$3 million, more than six percent more than last year through April.

The 11 cities in Bell County collected a total of \$2 million in sales tax rebated in April. Killeen collected the most, \$889,756.79, an increase of

about two percent over last year. Temple's payment of \$864,655.18 is about five percent more than last year.

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander delivered \$272.7 million in monthly sales tax payments to Texas cities, counties, transit departments and special purpose taxing districts April 12.

Sales tax allocations to local governments are down 1.4 percent compared to April 2001.

So far this year, local sales tax allocations are down 0.5 percent compared to the first four months of 2001.

April sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected in February and reported to the Comptroller

in March. The state's share of sales tax collected during this period was \$1 billion, down 1.5 percent compared to a year ago.

Comptroller Rylander sent sales tax rebates of \$182.5 million to 1,116 Texas cities, down 0.6 percent compared to April 2001. April sales tax rebates of \$15.8 million went to 121 Texas counties, up 2.6 percent compared to one year ago.

Another \$7.2 million went to 66 special purpose taxing districts, a 5.9 percent increase compared to April 2001. Texas' six metropolitan transit authorities and two city transit departments received \$67.1 million in sales tax rebates, down five percent.

Sesquicentennial

FROM PAGE 1A

Flying High Kite Competition. Come enjoy the excitement as homemade kites compete with the newest designs.

At the Civic Center

Cabin and Historical Room Tour: Join the Historical Society for its insight into Salado history with a tour of the Boles-Aiken and Denman

cabins. Peggy Hekminiak will demonstrate the fine art of spinning. Fourth graders will present their award winning essays at 2 p.m. in the Cabins. 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Sidewalk Art: Patty Thomas will lead a fun day of designing and creating designs in chalk on the sidewalks. 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

At Sirena

The Tablerock actors will present the mermaid legend by the bridge at 3 p.m.

At Stagecoach Inn

Sam Houston's Speech: The Tablerock actors will portray this legendary speech by Houston from the balcony of the Stagecoach Inn. 4 p.m.

Famous Foster Wagons: Everyone who has ever purchased a Wilbur Foster hand-made wagon, cart or old model car is invited to share them with the

community through a one-time display. Certificates of authenticity signed by Wilbur Foster will be presented to each person who brings in one of the hand-made wagons. The wagons will be on display 4 p.m. at the Longhorn Room of the Stagecoach Inn.

Jack's Barn

Formal Dinner and Dance. The Salado Education Foundation invites you to dance the night away 7 p.m. in Jack's Barn. The Formal Dinner and Dance will be the primary fund-raiser for the Education Foundation.

April 28

Pace Park

Come join the congregations of the Baptist, Methodist, Church of Christ, Catholic and Episcopal churches in town for an Old Time Church Service in Pace Park. Parking will be available at the Baptist Church with shut-

tles by the Rotary Club. Bring your own lawn chairs. 11 a.m.

Picnic in the Park: Bring your own picnic and quilt and enjoy the fellowship of 150 years of friends and neighbors. There will be entertainment provided. Sidewalk art and kite contest winners will be announced at noon, followed by the picnic.

Old Time Baseball Games: Come enjoy the friendly competition of a softball game from a bygone era. Some of the players have sported beards to emulate the times of the 1850s. Salado youth will sell popcorn, peanuts and other snacks. Don't be late or you will miss a rousing rendition of the national anthem at 2 p.m., followed by the first pitch.

For more information about the Sesquicentennial Celebration, call the Salado Chamber of Commerce at 254/947-5040. Or visit www.salado.com

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3. Essays must be sent to: Susan VanderBogart TFRW Americanism Chairman, 245 HCR 1450 N., Covington, TX 76636 Entries must arrive no later than April 30, 2002

4. A committee composed of members of the Texas Federation of Republican Women will judge the essays on content, neatness, and composition.

5. The three winners will be contacted after judging is completed. The First Place Winner will receive a \$75.00 Savings Bond, the Second Place Winner will receive \$50.00 Savings Bond, the Third Place Winner will receive a \$25.00 Savings Bond. Each Savings Bond will double the award at maturity.

6. The three winners will have their essays published in an issue of Gail's Gazette, which is sent to all 112 members of the Board of Directors and the 180 Club Presidents across Texas. The First Place winner's essay will be published in an issue of the TFRW quarterly magazine - The Texas Star, which is sent to our 12,000 members throughout the State.



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Carolyn Insall, public health educator with the Central Texas Poison Center, spoke to Thomas Arnold Elementary students about ways for them to avoid poison exposure. Insall spoke to the elementary students April 3.

Bell County Sheriff's Office & Salado Police Department Reports for Salado & Surrounding Area March 2002

Date	Offense	Location
03/02	Death by Natural Causes	Rita Bend
03/03	Theft Under \$50	Mill Creek Dr.
03/04	Public Intoxication	Salado Springs Circle
03/06	Criminal Mischief	Stagecoach Dr.
03/08	Traffic Accident	South Ridge Road
03/08	Theft Over \$50 Under \$500	Royal Street
03/08	Burglary of a Habitation	Crows Ranch Road
03/08	Burglary of a Habitation	FM 2484
03/10	Cruelty to Animals	Oak Tree Drive
03/11	Criminal Mischief Over \$500 Under \$1500	Park Drive
03/12	Mental Case	Robertson Road
03/15	Burglary of a Habitation & Evading Arrest	Prairie Dell Church Rd.
03/16	Criminal Mischief Over \$500 Under \$1500	FM 2484
03/16	Burglary of a Habitation	Brazos Court
03/16	Assault by Contact	South Ridge Road
03/17	Found Property	FM 2843
03/18	Theft Over \$50 Under \$500	Indian Trail
03/18	Missing Person Report	Royal Street
03/18	Theft Under \$50	IH-35 South
03/20	Criminal Mischief Over \$50 Under \$500	FM 2843
03/20	Vicious Dog	Smith Bluff
03/21	Theft Over \$50 Under \$500	Salado Plaza Drive
03/21	Criminal Trespass	Wells Lane
03/21	Burglary of a Motor Vehicle	Mill Creek Drive
03/24	Criminal Mischief Over \$50 Under \$500	Brewer Road
03/25	Burglary of a Habitation	Salado Springs Circle
03/25	Forgery	Mill Creek Drive
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Crystal York featured performer at Bell County Jamboree April 20

Crystal York of Granbury will be one of the featured performers at the Bell County Jamboree on April 20. Crystal is a 19 year old singing sensation that has performed at some noteworthy venues. Crystal, at age fifteen, was the youngest female to ever play and sing the leading role of Mary in "The Promise" in Glen Rose. She has performed at The Johnnie High Country Music Revue in Arlington, Country Love Theater, Best of the Best Show in Glen Rose, B.T. Bones and Beverly's in Branson, Hardrock Cafe in New York and several of the regional and local opries. She also has numerous theater performances to her credit including "Anything Goes", "Rumors" and "Titanic". She also is a radio disc jockey on KPAR 1420 AM in Granbury, with her own show "Sunday Morning Gospel with Crystal York". She is now attending Weatherford College.

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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.

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

Salado 4-H Club: 1st Mon. 7 p.m. at the Intermediate School.

Exercise Class: 9:30 a.m. except 1st Mon. at 10:30 a.m. at Salado Civic Center. (Will be held Tuesday this week only).

Tuesdays

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

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

Yoga Classes: 6:45 p.m., at Celebration Center in Royal Street Courtyard.

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

Salado Family Relief Fund: 2nd Tues. 1 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

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

Salado High School Band

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

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

Salado Creekside Cloggers: 6:30-8:30 p.m.

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.

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.

Salado Education Foundation: Regular Board meetings, 9 a.m. 2nd Thurs. at Salado Civic Center.

Saturdays

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

APRIL 17

School board Election. First day of early voting 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center Historical Room.

APRIL 18

"Summer Sweets" cooking class with Dave Hermann 9:30 a.m. at The Range. It includes packet and lunch or dinner. For more information call 947-3828.

Salado Area Republican Women meet at 11:30 a.m. for Trends & Legal School Issues with speaker Dr. Battershell, Stagecoach Inn. For more information call 947-3617.

APRIL 20

Institute for the Humanities presents seminar by award winning essayist, Scott Russell Sanders 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Salado Springs Celebration Center. Lunch at the Range. For more info call 947-5729.

APRIL 20-21

Invitational Wildflower Art Show featuring 75 to 80 of the best artist in Texas Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on the Civic Center grounds. For more information call the Chamber office at 947-5040.

APRIL 21

"A Stylish Spring Affair" cooking class with Dave Hermann 3:30 p.m. at The Range. It includes packet and lunch or dinner. For more information call 947-3828.

Institute for the Humanities presents lecture by award winning essayist, Scott Russell Sanders 4-6 p.m. at the Creekside Banquet Hall. For more info call 947-5729.

APRIL 23

Wildfire Ranch Monthly Barrel Race. 947-9988.

Microsoft Word Training Class 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. At Salado High School Room 202. Call Melissa Kemp at 947-1700 for registration.

Rotary Club Guest Speaker Justice Jan Patterson, 3rd Court of Criminal Appeals Place 3, 11:30 a.m. at Stagecoach Inn, reservations required for lunch 947-8040.

APRIL 26

Sesquicentennial Weekend Historic display open 6-9 p.m. Salado Historical Society Room at the Salado Civic Center.

4th grade essay contest

winners will be announced 6:30 at Civic Center.

Time capsule presentation 6:45 p.m. at Civic Center.

4th Infantry Band concert 7 p.m. at Civic Center Pavilion.

Library reception and power point presentation 8 p.m. at Salado Public Library.

APRIL 27

Salado's Sesquicentennial Celebration. Salado celebrates it's 150th birthday. Texas Historic Marker Dedication at the Salado Cemetery 10 a.m. Gravesite includes Rev. James E. & Fannie Ferguson, 1800's Methodist Rider, Salado Creek Mill Owners, Texas Governor James E. Ferguson.

Historical Display open 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Salado Historical Society Room, Salado Civic Center.

Sidewalk Art Competition 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Civic Center.

Bowles - Aiken Log Cabin open, Denman Log Cabin open 10 a.m.-3 p.m.,

Duck Race 11:30 a.m.; noon lunch and 1:30 p.m. a Flying High Kite Competition in Pace Park.

Tablerock will present scenes from *Salado Legends: The Legend of Sirena* 3 p.m. at Salado creek and Sam Houston's Speech from the balcony 4 p.m. at Stagecoach Inn. For more information call 947-5060.

Salado authors will be signing books all day at Fletcher's book store.

Salado Education Foundation Dinner/Dance 7 p.m. at Jack's Barn. \$50 per person, reservations required. 947-5479.

Reunion of descendants of Col. Wilson Barton 11:30 a.m. at The Range. For more info call (512) 863-5515.

APRIL 28

Old time baseball games with churches 2-4 p.m. Pace Park.

APRIL 30

School Board Election. Last day for early voting 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center Historical Room.

Wildfire Ranch Monthly Barrel Race. 947-9988.

MAY 2

"Healthy Meals in a Hurry" cooking class with Dave Hermann 9:30 a.m. at The Range. 947-3828.

MAY 3-5

Mill Creek Men's Golf Association Member/Guest Golf Tournament For more information call 947-5698.

MAY 4

Election Day for school board 7 a.m.-7 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center Historical Room.

Tablerock's invitational music festival. \$5 car load, \$1/person 9 a.m.-10 p.m. 947-9205.

MAY 6

Salado Lions Club Annual Golf Tournament. \$50 fee includes lunch. Tee off 1 p.m. at Mill Creek Inn and Country Club. 947-8300.

MAY 10 & 12

Wildfire Ranch 2nd Annual Barrel Race. 947-9988.

MAY 10-11

M.G. Car Club meets at Stagecoach Inn Complex.

MAY 11

Thomas Arnold Elementary 4th grade play 7:30 p.m. at Tablerock.

MAY 12

"Wine Pairing Menu" cooking class with Dave Hermann 3:30 p.m. at The Range. It includes packet and lunch or dinner. For more information call 947-3828.

MAY 14

Salado High School Band Concert 6 p.m. at Tablerock Amphitheater.

Salado Area Republican Women meet 6:30 p.m. for dinner meeting at McClure Building. Public Health Issues in Texas; State Rep. Diane White Delesi, speaker. For more information call 947-3617.

MAY 19

"Dinner Party" cooking class with Dave Hermann 3:30 p.m. at The Range. It includes packet and lunch or dinner. For more information call 947-3828.

MAY 25

Music in Salado presents *Music Under the Stars in Salado* 7 p.m. at Tablerock Amphitheater. Adults \$5. Children \$3.

MAY 27

Memorial day ceremony 9 a.m. at Salado Cemetery.

JUNE 1-2

Mohair Teddy Bear Classes at MJ's Country Corner. Class size is limited. For information call 947-8885.

JUNE 5-8

Fourth Annual Judy & A.C. Green Literary Festival sponsored by the Living Room Theatre, featuring performances of works by prize-winning short story writers in homes of Salado hosts. Times and places to be announced.

JUNE 15-16

Wildfire Ranch Rope America. 947-9988.

JULY 4

Salado Historical Society annual picnic 6:30 p.m. at Pace Park Pavillion.

JULY 20 & 27

Salado Legends. Dinner 7:15 p.m. Reservations required. Theater 8:15 p.m. 947-9205.

AUGUST 3-4

Salado's Annual Art Show. Over 200 juried art exhibitors at Pace Park. Free bus rides. 947-5040.

SEPTEMBER 8

Salado First Baptist Church presents *A Living Lord's Supper* 7:30 p.m. at Tablerock. 947-5465.

SEPTEMBER 12

Central Texas poetry and prose reading 7 p.m. at Tablerock. Open mic 9 p.m. for those who wish to share their poetry or prose.

SEPTEMBER 21-22

Tablerock's Renaissance entertainment Sat. 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. \$5 adults. \$3 child. For more information call 947-9205.

SEPTEMBER 28

ABWA Style show 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Salado Civic Center. For more info call 947-3617.

One Act Music Drama presented by Music in Salado 7 p.m. at Tablerock Amphitheater.

Book Fair at Stagecoach Inn in the Robertson Room.

OCTOBER 11-12

Christmas in October. For information, call 254/947-5040.

OCTOBER 26

Over 40 Texas writers will meet for the Texas Writers Roundup all day at the Baines House on Royal Street. Everyone is invited.

OCTOBER 26-27

Tablerock's one half mile walking trail 7-11 p.m. \$5 adults. \$3 child.

OCTOBER 30-31

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NOVEMBER 8-10

Annual Scottish Games and Gathering of the Clans at the Robertson Ranch. For information, call Central Texas Area Museum, 254/947-5232.

NOVEMBER 14

Salado Historical Society annual meeting 6:30 p.m. at Salado Civic Center.

NOVEMBER 15-17

Team Ropers Association at Wildfire Ranch. 947-9988.

DEC. 6-8

Annual Salado Christmas Stroll. 947-5040.

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Salado Class of 1992 holds ten year reunion

Salado Class of 1992 will hold its Ten Year Reunion June 15. The Dinner and Dance will begin 7 p.m. at the

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On June 16, Family Brunch will be held at Stagecoach Coffee Shop,

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Humane Society holds yard sale April 27

Salado Humane Society will sponsor a yard sale April 27 at the corner of Pace Park and Main Street, next to the 1860 Shop.

If you would like to make a donation to the yard sale, please call Betty Slack at 947-8845, Leah Buzzard at 947-5288 or Nancy Paolini at 947-0095.

"Funds received from the sale of donations will go to pay veterinarian bills, buy food and pay for ads looking for homes for dogs and cats," according to Slack.

Donations of money can also be made at the Salado Veterinary Hospital, where the Humane Society has a running tally.

Checks can be mailed to Salado Humane Society, P.O. Box 493, Salado, TX 76571.

If you would like to adopt an animal companion, please call Buzzard at 947-5288.



Salado Village Artists Quilters met recently at the home of Joyce Pershal for a luncheon. SVA Quilters meet every Monday at 1 p.m. at the Salado Art Center. Area Quilters and Stitchers are encouraged to join.

(In the picture from left to right: Sally Parker, Mardie Barnard, Helen Alexander, Martha Sparkman, Sharon McGlasson, Marge Nunley, Patty Harding, Kathleen Letourneau, Meredith Heintzelman and Joyce Pershal.)

SIS wins Division I rating at Regional UIL Band Concert

The Salado Intermediate School Symphonic Band won its first Division I rating at the Region 8 UIL Band Concert and Sightreading contest April 10 at Copperas Cove High School.

The band was one of only four bands to receive a first division rating in the concert portion of the contest on the day.

Bands are rated from I-V, with a I being the best and a V being the worst.

The Symphonic band is a select band made of the best members of the seventh and eighth grades. The band is under the direction of Carroll Mofatt who is retiring April

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The Salado Village Artists got together at President Letourneau's home on April 9, where she gave a workshop on garden sculptures with copper tubing, soldering wire and all sorts of glass globes, beads, shells or personal objects.
(In the picture from left to right; Helen Alexander, Tamra Denny, Kathleen Letourneau and Janis Holmes.)

Wildflower Art Show held April 20 - 21

The Village of Salado, Texas announces the second annual Wildflower Art Show, to be held April 20-April 21. Stroll under the oak trees on the grounds of the historical Salado Civic Center as you enjoy the original works of the artists and craftsmen in a

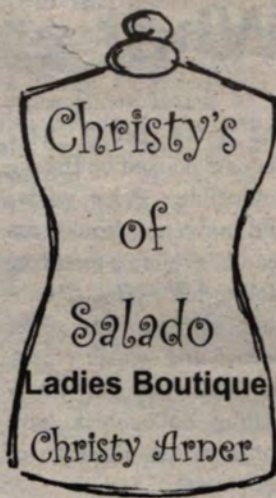
wide range of media.

Free hands-on art projects for children of all ages sponsored by Salado Pottery will be featured in the Gazebo.

The art show will be open 9 a.m.-5p.m., April 20 and 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sunday, April 21st. There is no admission

fee and there is free parking throughout the village.

For more information about this event or the historic village of Salado, call the Chamber of Commerce at (254) 947-5040 or email the Chamber at ccc@vvm.com



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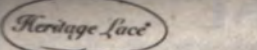
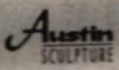
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With the increased interest have come soaring prices. For example,

a vintage reel that would have sold for about \$30 five years ago has tripled in value. Some hand-tied lures have achieved the status of works of art, and many are priced accordingly.

To find out the value of your collection, you should drop a line to the Classic Angler, a comprehensive Web site for serious collectors. The Web address is www.gorp.com/bamboo.htm.

Another good source is Phil White, a collector who specializes in tackle and reels. His address is 14099 Lakeshore Drive, Nampa, ID 83686.

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This school year I've been teaching some speech and writing courses at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin in Odessa. It is really fun.

In my speech class we spent a couple of days talking about how to overcome the fear of public speaking, which is most people's number one fear. The number two fear is death. In other words, rather than giving a eulogy at a funeral, most people would rather be in the casket.

On the midterm test this semester, one of the questions was "How do you overcome fear?" One student answered: "A couple shots of whiskey."

During the fall semester one of my students told the class when he started his speech, "I'm kinda nervous and I've always heard that to get you more relaxed, you need to picture your audience sitting out there naked. I'm having trouble visualizing that, so would you please start taking off your clothes." I gave him an A.

One of my students wrote a critique about a speaker: "Dr. Allen arrived very promptly at 1 p.m. to 2:15 p.m."

In my writing class, a girl wrote about anthrax: "Spores were found in his nasal passage, which is leading to an FBI investigation."

I wrote on her paper: "Wow! Some passage. And somebody ought to investigate the FBI."

That same girl, on the same paper, wrote: "People come into contact with the disease by eating under prepared meat or people who work with animals." O, well. She's an art major.

In some UIL headline writing competition recently, one student wrote: "38 YEAR OLD TEEN GETS REWARD."

On the first day of spring I asked my students, "How many of you think spring is the best time of year?"

About half a dozen hands went up. I asked everyone who raised their hands in what season they were born. They were all born in the spring.

I then asked the class,

"How many of you think fall is the best time of year?"

A few hands went up. I asked them when they were born and they were all born in the fall.

One girl then asked me, "What about me? Fall is my favorite season and I was born in November."

I've asked many teachers about collecting student funnies and they all

say they have piles of them. In one class of English history, the topic was Henry the Eighth. One female student wrote on her test paper, "Henry the Ape. I don't know who gave him that name, but it's a funny one."

Another wrote: "Beethoven wrote music even though he was deaf. He was so deaf he wrote loud music."

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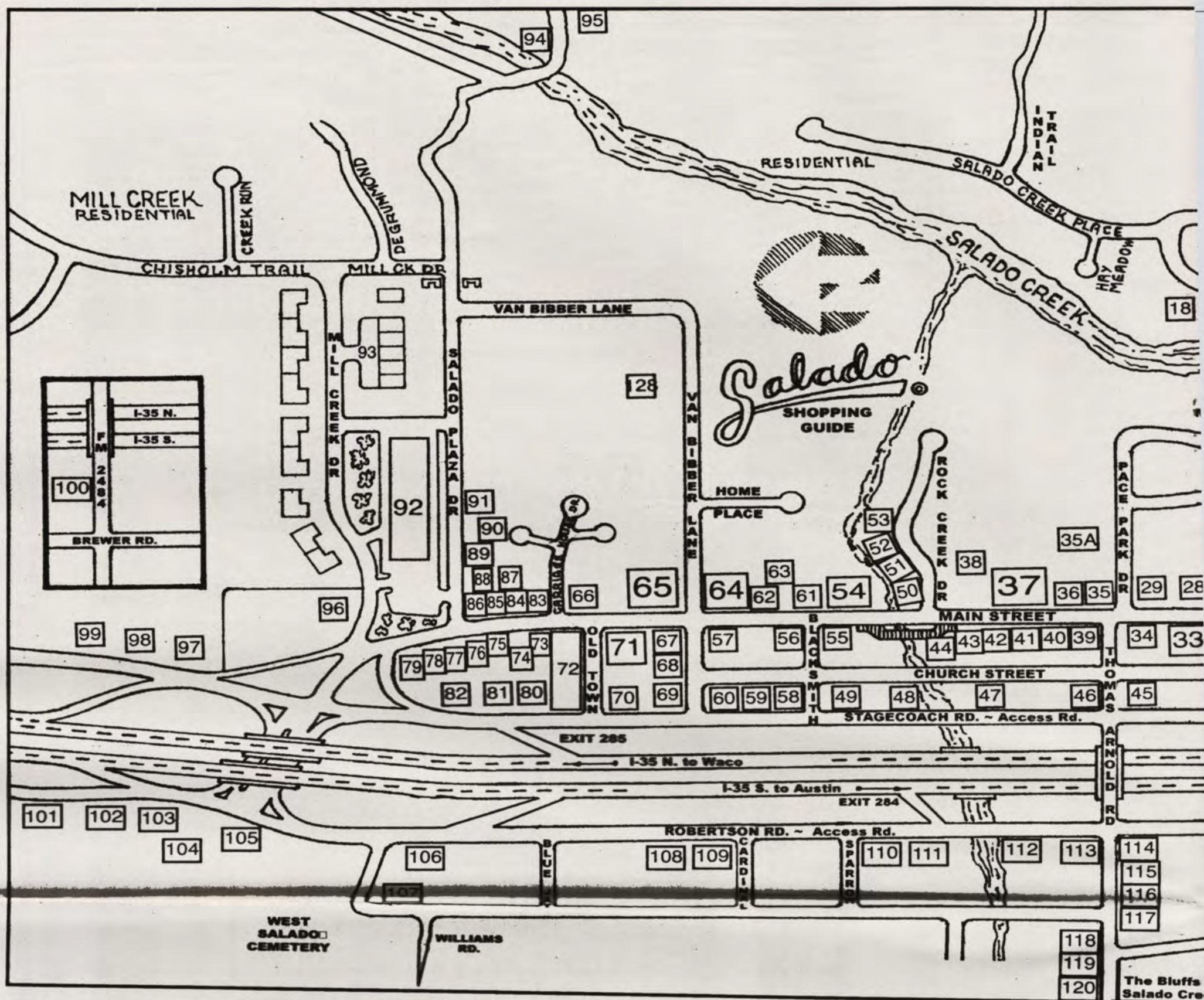
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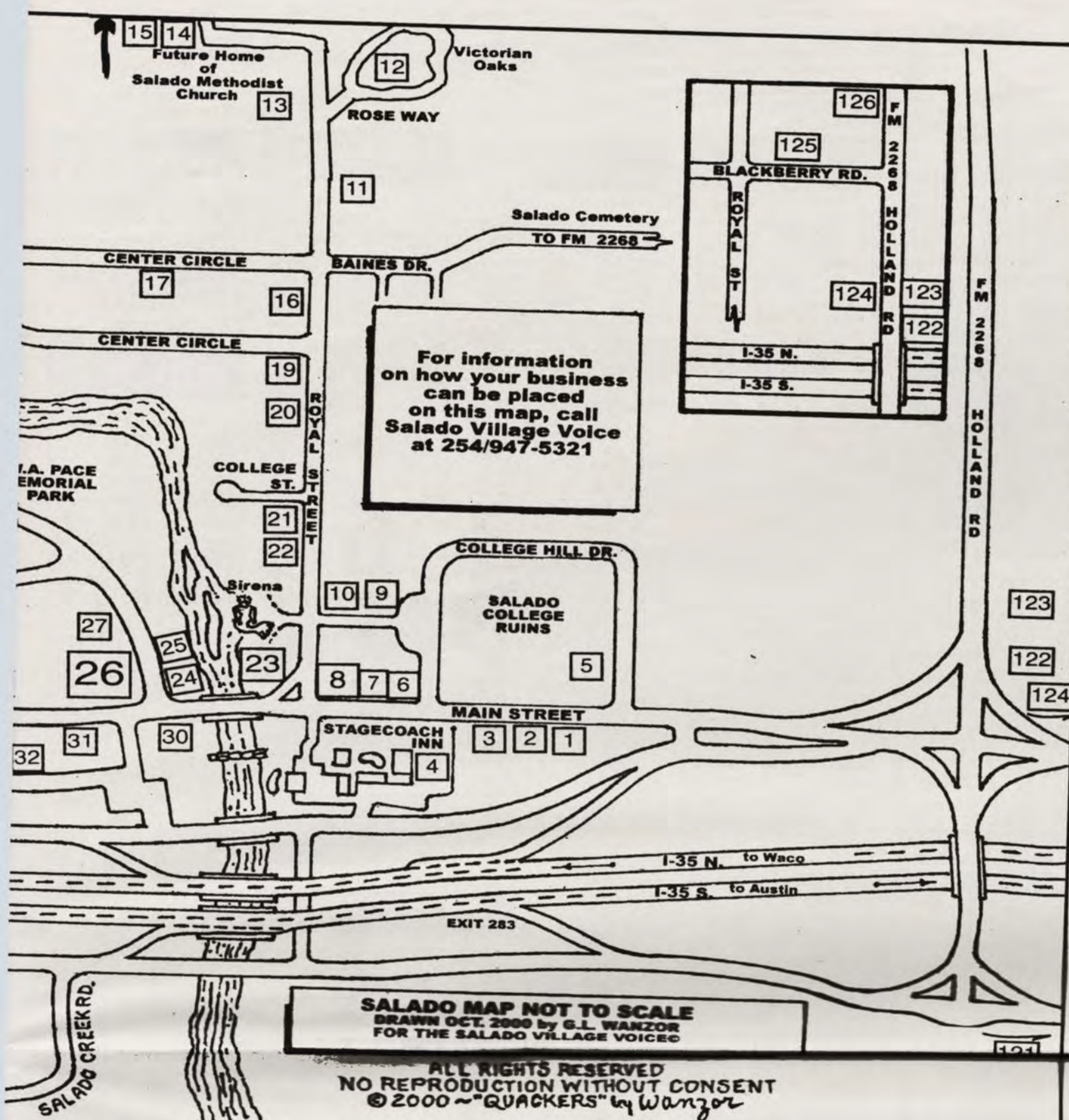
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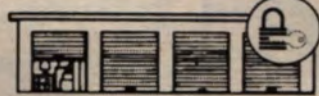
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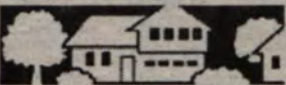
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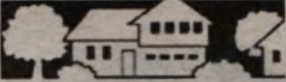
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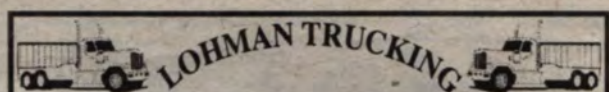
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Dewhurst Raises veteran home loans cap to \$200,000 and halves residency requirement to one year

Texas Land Commissioner David Dewhurst announced the state will now lend an eligible Texas veteran up to \$200,000 for a home loan, and the Texas residency requirement to participate in Texas Veterans Land Board (VLB) loan programs will soon be reduced to one year.

Dewhurst said the new home loan ceiling follows more than two and one-half years of experience with the previous ceiling of \$150,000, which was more than triple the \$45,000 limit in effect when he took office. Dewhurst said raising the loan ceiling to \$200,000 was in response to requests from many Texas veterans for help in buying homes, and will only have a positive impact on the program.

"Our increase in loan limits gives veterans more choices on where they can live," Dewhurst said.

Dewhurst said all VLB loan programs are funded by the participating veterans.

Dewhurst also said he was pleased that eligible veterans will be able to participate in VLB loan programs within a year of moving to Texas, as opposed to the previous two-year residency requirement. Dewhurst said the change will go into effect after a 60-day "rule-making" process.

"What a great way to welcome veterans to Texas," he said. "U.S. veterans, regardless of where they come from, have served all Americans and should be treated with honor and respect."

He added that the VLB already had a one-year residency requirement for admission to the Texas State Veterans Homes, and lowering the residency

requirement for VLB loan participation provides more consistency among the various programs.

"If a veteran has lived here a year, then he or she is a Texan as far as most state laws are concerned," Dewhurst said. "Once we were sure a shorter residency requirement wouldn't adversely affect our programs, I saw no reason to make a newcomer wait two years to participate in VLB home and land loan programs. The more participation we have from our veterans, the stronger these programs become."

Dewhurst said additional information on VLB loans for homes, land and home improvements, as well as Texas State Veterans Homes, is available on the VLB Web site at www.glo.state.tx.us/vlb, or call (800) 252-VETS.



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\$298,500 - Immaculate log cabin with 4 BR, 3-1/2 BA, gameroom, metal building, storage shed. Security system, electric gate & many more amenities.



\$159,500 - Breathtaking view of the golf course & lake from this sparkling clean town home. You will enjoy spending time on the large deck or the upstairs balcony. Hardwood floors, ceramic tile & California shutters. The seller has maintained & upgraded this property with a new heat pump, air conditioner, plumbing fixture, expanded deck, roof & insulated attic storage. Homeowners dues of \$130/mo. takes care of outside maintenance.



\$119,900 - Stone fireplace accents sunken living area. Large rooms make this 3 BR 2 BA very desirable. This all brick home situated on 1/2 acre has a huge fenced yard. Home accessible from Salado Springs Circle or Oak Tree Dr.



Residential

- **\$84,500** - Fixer-upper on gorgeous lot. 3BR/2 1/2 BA. - Under Contract
- **\$93,000** - Above ground pool, corner fireplace, open kitchen, dining & living area.
- **\$119,900** - Sunken living area. 3 BR, 2 BA, huge fenced yard.
- **\$139,500** - Recently updated, 4 BR, workshop/garage, metal roof on 1 acre.
- **\$158,200** - Country style exterior accented w/stone. Bonus room upstairs.
- **\$159,500** - View of golf course and lake from this town home.
- **\$159,800** - 1.6 acre, trees, children's play area, fenced area. Formals and large office.
- **\$163,500** - Cliffs on Canyon Creek. 4 BR, 2 BA, great master suite.
- **\$168,900** - Wrap-around porch with views of dry creek bed, loft.
- **\$169,900** - Within walking distance to Mill Creek Pro Shop. Large master bedroom, loft.
- **\$174,200** - 3 BR, 2 BA home on almost 10 acres, with easy access to I-35.
- **\$179,000** - Overlook the creek, across the street from Mill Creek Pro Shop.
- **\$184,500** - A Texas style Austin home on 2.146 acres.
- **\$184,500** - Beautiful hilltop view on 26 acres. 2 cabins and metal shop - Under Contract
- **\$196,000** - Wooded lot, large entry room, spiral staircase leads to private BR & BA.
- **\$199,000** - On the golf course, overlooking Salado Creek. 2BR/2BA.
- **\$225,000** - Overlooking Mill Creek Hole #2. Workshop could be an apartment or bedroom.
- **\$239,500** - Wonderful deck with hot tub & gazebo overlooks wooded lots and the lake.
- **\$246,900** - 3 BR/2-1/2 BA ranch home on 10 acres, with barn and lighted roping arena.
- **\$259,000** - Panoramic view of Salado Creek. Gas log fireplace and solarium.
- **\$260,000** - On the banks of Salado Creek, 3 BR, 3 BA. Separate cabin.
- **\$269,000** - Overlooking Green #3 on Mill Creek Golf Course #2, 3 BR, 2-1/2 BA, 2 dining.
- **\$289,500** - Show place in Royal Oaks overlooking spacious backyard.
- **\$298,500** - Log cabin w/ 4 BR, 3-1/2 BA, gameroom, metal building, storage shed.
- **\$299,000** - 5 acres. 5 BR, 4 BA, 2 living, 2 dining, sunroom, 2 car garage w/ shop.
- **\$299,500** - 4 BR Texas style home on over 4 acres. Loft upstairs.
- **\$329,000** - Custom home in Royal Oaks. 3 BR, 3-1/2 BA.
- **\$389,000** - Texas ranchette on 7.7 acres. In ground pool, RV/boat parking, storage shed.
- **\$995,000** - Home on 146 acres of wooded countryside, barns, sheds, water well.



\$329,000 - This custom home in Royal Oaks is great for entertaining with a wrap around covered porch. Master suite downstairs has large walk-in closet. Hardwood floors in living areas, with a wonderful fireplace. Tile throughout dining & kitchen. Each bedroom has a separate bath. Hall half-bath perfect for guests. One BR upstairs has lovely deck with a awesome view. Over 3,800 SF. 3 BR, 3-1/2 BA, 2 dining, 2 car garage.



\$250,000 - Six beautiful well located apartments in Mill Creek with creek view. Native stone with metal roof, well done interior & totally furnished. Excellent rental property with good history of income.



\$199,000 - On the golf course, overlooking Salado Creek. Beautiful setting and perfect location. 2 BR, 2 BA.



\$93,000 - Above ground pool with wood decking makes this home perfect for the hot summer days to come. Corner fireplace in living room. Open kitchen, dining & living area provides a spacious room for your family. Built in 1999, with tile entry, 2 car garage, covered porch and fenced yard.

Commercial Property

- **3 acres** along I-35, at Amity West.
- **\$166,800** - Darling cottage makes a great office, studio or B&B.
- **\$250,000** - Six beautiful furnished apartments in Mill Creek with Creek View. Good income history.
- **\$325,000** - Charming Victorian on 1 acre on Main St. w/ separate 2 story bldg. & 3 storage bldg.
- **\$429,000** - 5.66 acres commercial property off Main Street.
- **\$650,000** - Over 9,000 SF of commercial space on Main St.

Acreage Available

- **140 acres** on Hwy 36 at Temple Airport.
- **90 acres** on Lampasas River, with 1 mile of river frontage, many pecan trees and old frame house.
- **22.9 acres** rolling hills, waterfall, creek, frontage. \$4,200/ac.
- **22 acres** on Loop 121 in Belton many possible uses, has water & sewer.
- **24 acres** with hill, views of hill country, near Stillhouse Lake. \$2,800 per acre.
- **10+ acre tracts** 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.
- **8 wooded acres**, very scenic with creek. 12 miles west of I-35 off FM 2843.
- **3 acres**, all woods, good frontage, water available. Near Stillhouse Lake.

Lots

Mill Creek Lots

- **Winner's Circle** - \$50-\$58,000

Other Lots

- **Royal Oaks** - \$30,000
- **Royal Oaks** - \$45,000 U/C

- **808 Mill Creek Dr.** - \$30,000
- **Mill Creek Springs** - \$30 - \$75,000
- **700 Indian Trail** - \$35,000
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New Construction! Salado White rock with dark green metal roof, wrap around porch and attached garage. It's a beauty and move-in ready. **\$129,900.**



Excellent commercial location on corner of West Village Road & IH 35 at Exit 285. **\$239,900.**



3/2 brick & wood home with rustic charm, living/dining combo, breakfast room, wood burning stove, CAH, 1.944 acre lot with beautiful trees. **\$149,900.**



Authentic Texas style home on approx. 11 acres on Hillside. 4/2/3, extra large living room with great fireplace, kitchen with stove top and woodburning stove, 7 stall barn. **\$215,000.**



Beautiful 27 acres with excellent large metal barn. 3/2 brick home with 2 living areas. Additional homesites available beyond house & barn. **\$275,000.**

Acreage Available

Lots with sewage & water available on Shady Lane. **\$10,000/lot.**

Sand & Gravel Rd. - 2 one acre tracts. **\$15,000/tract.**

1/2 acre facing FM 2484. **\$12,500.**

1.7 acre w/small house. Center Circle, great business location.

2 one acre lots on Sam Neil. **\$15,000/acre.**

2.35 acres heavily wooded on Rose Lane. **\$41,900.**

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

51 acres, beautiful hilltop views, rolling countryside, excellent trees, 8 miles west on FM 2843, 1/2 mile north on Cedar Valley Rd. **\$3,500/acre.**

59.25 acres, outstanding hilltop views, 2 lakes/tanks, fronting County Road 2115, 2 miles south of Salado. **\$240,000.**

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Salado Lots

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

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

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

Country Homes

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

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Residential Listings

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\$159,000: New on market. 3/2 formal dining, walk to Mill Creek. Great location!

\$189,900: New 4/3/3 home with split bedrooms, bonus room, and covered patio. **UNDER CONTRACT**

\$275,000: Beautiful 27 acres with excellent large metal barn. 3/2 brick home with 2 living areas. Additional homesites available beyond house & barn.

\$385,000: 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. Mother-in-law suite, spanish tile throughout, new well. A beautiful MUST see!