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# SHS takes top prize at region academic meet

Salado High School won the April 22 Region IV 2A UIL Academic Meet at Texas State University in San Marcos.

Salado High School won the Regional Aca-Championship. Point totals for the top four teams are as follows: Salado, 348; Blanco, 107; Industrial, 96 and East Bernard, 95.

Twenty-one Salado High School students and the One Act Play qualified to compete at the UIL State Academic Meet, May 4-6, at UT Austin.

Salado High has registered Regional Academic Championships and six State Championships during the past two decades.

Individual results are as follows:

Calculator Applications: Colby Cox, first; Kirsten Singleton, third; Kate Marshall, fourth.

Calculator Applications Team: Cox, Singleton, Marshall, Clint Permenter, first.

Computer Science: Michael Spinks, fourth.

Current Issues and Jared Brank, Events: third.

Editorial Writing: Grant Boston, first.

Writing: Headline Grant Boston, first.

Journalism Team: first. Informative Speaking: Travis Cook, fourth.

Lincoln-Douglas Debate: Magan Bradshaw, first; Tyler Cook, second.

Literary Criticism: Kirsten Singleton, first; Ariel Simpson, third.

Literary Criticism Team: Singleton, Simpson, Erin Bracken, Boston,

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# Winds, electric co. fell trees

Hundreds of Salado residents found themselves without lights and with property damage following two Spring storms that passed through last week. The first storm brought gusting winds that caused many residents to lose their electricity for several hours on April 18. Crews working for TxU Electric had to cut limbs away from power lines on April 18 to restore power. West of Salado, rural residents were out of electricity for up to 30 hours as Bartlett Electric Cooperative's energy provider, Pedernales Electric, suffered major damage to power lines during an April 20 storm that dumped two inches of rain in less than two hours. Residents within the village limits must apply for a burn permit before burning any brush or limbs resulting from the storm. Salado Youth Association suffered more than \$2,000 of damage to its facilities. Any donations to PO Box 486, Salado, TX 76571 would be appreciated by that group. At right is damage in



# One Act team heading to Austin May 5

Salado High School's One Act Play "Gint" has advanced to the State Championships May 5 at the University of Texas in Austin.

The one act team's performance of this difficult piece won the top award at the Regional competition at San Antonio MacArthur High School on April 21.

"This is a very special group of performers and they have now been recognized as clearly outstanding by every critic judge we have faced in various Festival, District, Area and Regional competitions. We have one more competition to face and that is at the highest level available to us and I expect them to get better," said faculty director Gary Askins.

Garrett Askins was once again chosen as the Best Actor for his portrayal of the title character Pete Gint. "Garrett has wanted this ever since he was in the fourth grade and went with our family to watch the state one act competition," Askins said. "This is his senior year and I can honestly state that he is one of the chief reasons why this particular group of students has risen to the challenge."

"It's also kind of neat that this will be my last year to direct the Salado UIL team," he added. "I sincerely believe that this group is the best I've ever coached. Now if they would just let me retire as the director of a state championship play I think I could make a movie about it."

Joining Garrett on the cast are several other award-winning performers, Gerry Flynn was named to the Regional All-Star Cast and Brandi Warren was named Regional Honorable Mention. Dixie Darling was also named to All-Star casts at the District and Area levels.

Critic judges at the district, area and regional levels have recognized the strong ensemble cast of Jacob Meritt, Ariel Simpson, Lauren Culver, Chelsea Ervi and Wesley Buchele.

"They have really come together as group of performers. To succeed at the

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Jacob Meritt, Jerry Flynn and Garrett Askins perform in Salado's One Act Play, Gint, which won the Regional competition recently, qualifying it for the State contest.

# **School** board forum tonight

The Salado Chamber of Commerce invites local voters to the Candidates' Forum on 7 p.m. April 27 at the Salado Civic Center.

All five candidates for two three-year terms on the Salado Independent School District (SISD) Board of Trustees have been invited to make a brief presentation and answer questions from the floor. Each candidate will have about five to seven minutes to tell about themselves and their platform. The floor will be open to the public for questions and each candidate will have the opportunity to answer each question.

Candidates for the SISD Board of Trustees are Miriam Ervi, Jeff Kelley, Dr. Nolan Kinsey, Marilyn Salisbury and Barry Schiller.

Early voting in the school board election will be at the Salado Civic Center weekdays 7: 30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. May 1-9. On May 2 and 9, there will be extended early voting 7 a.m.-7 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center. Election day the polls will be open at the Civic Center 7 a.m.-7 p.m. May

The races for Village of Salado aldermen and mayor and the Salado Public Library District were canceled. Mayor Rick Ashe and aldermen Michael Cooper and Suzi Epps were re-elected. Dave Carr, Hulda Horton and Ben Willingham elected to the Library District board.

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# FORUM

# An Open Exchange of Ideas



Importing the Latin American poor

Forget the long-running bipartisan concern about creating an educated, highly skilled workforce. What the U.S. economy desperately needs is more highschool dropouts -- so desperately that we should import them hand over fist.

Such is the logic of the contention by advocates of lax immigration that the flow of illegal labor from south of the border is a boon to our economy. But it doesn't make intuitive sense that importing the poor of Latin America would benefit us. If low-skill workers were key to economic growth, Mexico would be an economic powerhouse, and impoverished Americans would be slipping south over the Rio Grande.

The National Research Council reports that an immigrant to the U.S. without a high-school diploma -- whether legal or illegal -- consumes \$89,000 more in governmental services than he pays in taxes during his lifetime. An immigrant with only a high-school diploma is a net cost of \$31,000. Eighty percent of illegal immigrants have no more than a high-school degree, and 60 percent have less than a high-school degree.

Steve Camarota of the Washington, D.C.-based Center for Immigration Studies estimates that illegal immigrants cost the federal government \$10 billion a year. State and local governments lose even more. Illegals pay some taxes, but not enough to cover governmental expenses like Medicaid and treatment for the uninsured.

Whatever benefit illegals provide to the economy in general must be minuscule. All workers without a high-school education -- illegal and otherwise -- account for only 3 percent of economic output. The U.S. has an ample supply of native-born workers with a high-school education or less, but Camarota suggests they are being pushed out of the labor force by the influx of illegals.





From 2000 to 2005, the percentage of high-school dropouts holding a job dropped from 53 to 48, and this trend was particularly pronounced in states with the highest levels of immigration. Illegals compete with the very workers least equipped to thrive in our economy.

Pro-immigration conservatives sometimes argue that, through immigration, we are importing social renewal. But the illegitimacy rate among Hispanic immigrants in the U.S. is 40 percent. They aren't coming from countries that are paradisiacal models of social conservatism. The illegitimacy rate in Mexico is roughly one-third, and in El Salvador it is 73 percent.

With the U.S. population aging, don't we need highly fertile immigrants to replenish our working-age population? Actually, there aren't enough immigrants to change our age structure significantly. With immigrants, the U.S. fertility rate is 2.1; without them, it would be 2.0.

Immigration from Latin America, in short, does not chiefly benefit our economy, government or society, but rather the immigrants themselves. Advocates of a lax immigration policy should admit that their policy has a humanitarian, not an economic, rationale, and its beneficiaries aren't Americans but mainly people from rural Mexico.

If we really need more poorly educated workers here, we can always rely, unfortunately, on the public schools to produce them indigenously.

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# Will legislators spend entire surplus or save some for future needs? Best guess is they'll create a big mess!

The 79th Legislature's current two year term, that began back on January 11, 2005, has had lawmakers tied in knots (along with Governor Rick Perry) as these worthies attempted (unfortunately in partisan fashion) to untangle the school finance mess that previous legislatures created, and then neglected for years.

The current crop of solons failed to surpass their predecessor's "F-grade" during the regular and two special sessions last year, and so, this past Monday, April 17 kicked off what they (and the rest of us) hope will be a "third-time-charm" special session to "reform" the way we fund our public schools

The only difference between previous "special" attempts and the current 30 day exercise, is that the State Supreme Court has "ordered" the Governor and Legislature to "produce" results or face having the schools of Texas closed until reform-success is achieved!

#### STATE AWASH IN SURPLUS MONEY

Independent candidate for Governor - Carole Strayhorn, who also serves as State Comptroller, is the only official who can "constitutionally" hold "Crazy Hair" Perry and his legion of anti-tax nabob's "feet to the fire" spendingwise

Last Monday, as required by law, Strayhorn told lawmakers how much money was available to spend during their 30 day session.

The total was a staggering \$8.2 billion in surplus bucks (nearly \$4 billion more than anticipated) that can be used to "correct" the mish-mashed school financial muddle that produced (among other fiscal disasters) the "Robin Hood" plan of equalizing tax dollars - which only created additional inequities; mandated Statewide school programs without State funding; and kept Texas teacher salaries near the bottom of the heap, when compared to other States.

#### **SURPLUS: POLITICAL PERIL**

The huge surplus has evolved from cutbacks of needed State services during three regular sessions (since 2001), and the more recent upswing in the economy. The bonanza was received ecstatically by "no new tax" legislators who are not about to hurt business with a new tax (even if it's fair). They naturally want to lower school property taxes - but with the least amount of pain.

Wiser heads in both Houses, warn that if the surplus is spent in its entirety to lower school property taxes - a major fiscal deficit (requiring massive new taxes) will take place when the good times end.

And when that occurs our fearless GOP controlled legislature will have only two choices: (a) Raise taxes (they generally prefer hari-kari to taxation), or (b) cut more State services and employees (as anti-gummint GOPers enjoy doing).

**Sidebar:** Strayhorn's "surplus money" news could easily give old Guv Rick (the Reluctant) a boost towards retirement, if he allows the money to be squandered, while doing nothing to help schools other than reduce property taxes

#### PRUDENT USE OF SURPLUS

Thoughtful political observers in and around State government worry about large surpluses that come and go. These folks, plus several recognized fiscal experts within the non-partisan Legislative Budget Board, have, overthe-years, developed realistic ideas

# Off the Record by Ken Clapp



concerning prudent methods of handling surplus government funds.

All in all - current advice to State officials and lawmakers includes: First of all - take at least two billion from the surplus to supplement the Governor's \$6 billion school property tax reduction aim.

In addition to lowering property taxes, it would be proper to spend \$3 billion to increase teacher salaries and health insurance premiums - left untouched for many years; and finally (hold on to your hats) put \$3 billion in a "reserve" account to be used in future sessions when the economy slumps.

#### PERRY-SHARP PLAN

Perry's "reform" plan is based on recommendations from John Sharp, his appointed chairman of the Texas Tax Reform Commission. You will remember, Sharp ran tough against Perry for Lt. Governor in 1998, and their only previous commonality was attendance at A.& M.

Today, they've become close (albeit strange) political bedfellows and are together promoting a balanced plan to reduce school taxes and pay for it with "fair-share" franchise taxes; increased tax on cigarettes; and a chunk of the surplus.

This plan only addresses lowering the school property tax with no mention as to applying surplus-dollars to school operation needs or salaries.

#### PLAN OVERCOMES SNAG

Last week the Perry-Sharp plan slipped past a slight snag through the judicious use of the one lubricant that keeps politics rolling smoothly - money.

The Medical community was unhappy about having to pay the proposed franchise tax (based on gross income), so they were given some tax "offsets" including medicare-medicaid payments.

Educators also wanted a piece of the action - primarily salary and health insurance increases (these have been vaguely promised); and the powerful tobacco lobby, after flexing its money-muscles - got the cigarette tax phased in over a two year period.

#### PREDICTION: BYE, BYE SURPLUS

This column's best guess is lawmakers will spend every penny from the multi-billion dollar pot-of-gold. After all, reelection time is fast approaching.

#### BUSH: "YOU'RE DOING A HECK-UVA JOB " (FILL IN NAME)

The "Great Decider" reversed his decision to keep his WH-team in place, as he angrily told reporters he planned to do - just two weeks ago.

Bush then bragged on his Chief of Staff Andy Card. Told old Andy, he was "doing a great job." Couple days later good-old Andy quit. Next came Press Secretary Scott McClellan's forced resignation with a White House rose-garden farewell that was a doozy!

Bush told Scott he'd also done a "great job" and then added: "He (Scott) represents **the best of his family**, our State and our Nation." The sly "best of family" item was a neat jab at Carole Strayhorn (Scott's mama) who was a close Bushie-pal when he was Governor, and she was a Republican.

Now an Independent running against Bush's Aggie Yell Leader Pal - Rick Perry, "Grandma" Strayhorn is no longer "best" of anything (apparently).

Way to go Mr."Great Decider." That makes two more epithets for his resume. Previous one: "The Great Leaker."

That's -30-

# Salado ISD Honor Rolls 5th 6 Weeks

**Elementary School** All A Honor Roll Second Grade Kayla Foust

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**Fourth Grade** 

Casey Frazier Kyle Heiner Taryn Kornegay Daniel Lemus Amy Manna Savannah Ortiz Samantha Laurenson Davis Little Robert Cortes Morgan Hill Isaac Hopkins Jeanna Marquez Kase Spears Sammy Nguyen Jordan Drake Dane Hankamer James Svadlenak Tyler Tischler Drew Van Winkle Mason Price Rachel Ray Abby Simmonds

**Thomas Arnold** Elementary School

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Zachary Hoover Courtney Brummett Josh Gonzalez Josh Peschel Lance Spakes Megan Daniell Raul Armenta Madeline Moore Sydney Taylor

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Jessica Gonzalez

Reagan Hennig

Paige Taylor

Keaton Fillip

Cole Morrow

Salado Intermediate School All A Honor Roll Fifth Grade Buchele, Anna C Butts, Michael C Clement, Dale T Cromwell, Taylor D Kirchmeier, Cameron J Moore, Sean M Price, Mattie R Robinson, Kylie A Sibbitt, Stephen M

Warren, Andrew J

Sixth Grade Austin, Mikayla N Bowman, Alexis G Carroll, Helena R Dale, James T Daniels, Morgan Eary, Taylor N Garner, Alberto F Goldman, Roy D Hopkins, Elaina C Kornegay, Jada K Langford, Cara A Marburger, Taylor A Meiman, Colton L Nguyen, Lan Anh Norman, Kori L Palomino, Kelsey L Payne, Lorna N Pitts, Tanner R

Rex, Joseph C Smith, Cameron L Spears, Koby B Svadlenak, Jacob A Young, Haylee K

**Seventh Grade** Burden, Ryan A Frazier, Brittney D Heiner, Jacob A Lavadia, Courtney N Little, Kandace E Miles, Audley O Ortiz, Kelsey R Oyler, Janson R Reed, Bailie K Schreiner, Tyndal E Suresh, Ryan P Van Winkle, Morgan K Warren, Paul J

**Eighth Grade** Cockrell, Taylor L Cute, Ryan Z Heller, Brandon J Kemp, Haley N Lincoln, Ashley R Noonan, Elena N Petro, Rebecca E Simpson, Zoe B Svadlenak, Jordan A Wagnon, Trenton J

Salado Intermediate School A-B Honor Roll Fifth Grade Armas, Jessica A

Barrett, Samuel R Brookbank, Michael B Chaplin, Heather M Cox, Aaron C Daniels, Alexis L DePriest, Madison T Fraire, Aron Giniewicz, Coby S Golding, William W Grimsley, Marcene I Hoflund, Reece E Kelley, Madison N Kyle, Thomas P Manley, Andrew D Martin, James B Mattson, Megan B McGregor, Eric C Meritt, Paige E Monk, Amber L Mullins, Taylor N Murray, Patrick R Oyler, Joshua T Pegues, John M Pyle, Sierra C Shearer, Taylor L Shepperd, Cory R Suhling, Kyle T Truelove, Tanner K Ward, Meredith L Wells, Kaci C Wilkerson, Richard C Williams, Haley M Womac, Brandon D

Sixth Grade Armstrong, Austin C Baker, Dakota J Barker, Chynna R Belcher, Tori E Best, Peyton G Bradley, Kyle R Castillo, Nicholas R Clayton, Eryn E Davidson, Kaycie D Flippo, Katherine Gilchrest, Sharla M Goodrum, Cole A Licea, Valeria Liller, Kathryn L Magee, Elaina R McBryde, Sean M McGillick, Kirsten R Mendoza, Marcos G Moffatt, Rebecca D Patterson, Devan W Paynter, Michael J Perez, Francisca Piatt, Rachel D Pinkerton, Teresa M Rangel, Abigail

Rank, Chelsea M

Romfh, George C Sauceda, Cynthia E Seaton, Hannah N Sellers, Michael J Sellers, Victoria M Spicer, Harley R Taylor, Courtnie M Torres, Conrado Wolschleger, Mariah

**Seventh Grade** Ashworth, Andrea L Barbosa, Dylan R Bell, Baylee R Bintz, Camryn R Bloomer, Alexis L Boydstun, Brennan R Boysen, Sarah J Brank Jacob A Bryant, Jared W Cahoon, Jacob M Caldwell, Taylor N Care, Jeffrey L Cecil, Shelby D Cleveland, William J Copeland, Dakota A Cosper, Andrew T Dunks, Kalyn L Farrow, Alyssa M Hopkins, Rebecca L Keys, Garrett L Liller, Jackson G Marburger, Garret C Miller, Shauna P O'Rear, Taylor B Pinkerton, Rachel L Pipes, Billi L Pivonka, Tara R Sebek, Jenna M Smetana, Kasey L Smith, Connor K Sniggs, Stephen B Spinks, Rachel M Tucker, Braxton S Ward, Hunter J Willis, Alexandra R

Woodruff, Joshua E **Eighth Grade** Alpha, Joshua D Armenta, Victor M Arnold, Ashlee J Belicek, Ashley E Buchele, Grace E Cloud. Stephanie R Farr, Reed M Ferrell-Raborn, Jessica L Gilchrest, Stetson B Giniewicz, Lauren L Hancock, Grant T Hendrick, Robert C Jaimes, Daisy Lincoln, Alexander R Martin, Lindsy J McDaniel, Sindel A Ming, Mallory N Pavne, Caroline L Perez, Maria G Pinkston, Paul A Quesinberry, Tiffany D Roe, Audrey E Sierra, Jayni H Vazquez, Amy Walker, Jessica L Williams, Heather M

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Palomino, Kamylle M Redman, Rebecca R Stanish, Tamra N Suresh, Reena E Torres, Biridiana A

11th Grade Barbosa, Evan D Boydstun, Brandi P Burson, Jamie P Floyd, Kyle K Inocencio-Handorf, Jeanette Johnson, Tanner T

Koiner, Westin R Moffatt, Sara J Permenter, Clinton N Rooney, Molly M Schoellmann, Crystal J Sharp, Samantha M Sitz, Nathan A Smith, Samantha L

12th Grade Drake, Jacquelin R Gobin, Cody B Hardin, Jonathan J Holdampf, Kathryn D Koiner, Amanda J Ortiz, Federico T Patockova, Veronika Pruett, Kasey L Redman, Christopher T Schwake, Heath C Shaw, Joshua C Singleton, Kirsten N Smith, Kelsey L Winters, Heather D

Salado High School

A-B Honor Roll

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10th Grade Antill, Ayla A Brown, Haley D Butts, Dallas H Culver, Lauren J Davis, Kaleb J Dowell, Sarah M Drake, Gene A Goodnight, Karleigh R Haire, Lauren L Hajda, Julie K Hora, Lindsay E House, Alex W Ingalsbe, Donald L Jimenez, Candy R Johnson, Taylor K Kirchmeier, Kayla D Leifester, Jarrod C Marks, Breanne K Mohammed, Nicholas A

Nix, Jonathan D Perez, Maria V Rangel, Valeria Rosenau, David M Santoya, Eric J Simpson, Kimberly M Smetana, Payton J Smith, Ryan W Toledo, Adela D Villarreal, Maria G Willey, Amanda L

11th Grade Arias, Shea L Arnold, Haley N Bradshaw, Magan M Caldwell, Joshua G Cloud, Robert S Constancio, Robert A Fry, Sheena R Goodman, Kevin C Hancock, Michael B Harbison, Noah B Harris, Allana K Harvell, Justin R Ingalsbe, Larissa Jaimes, Misael Jasso, Denise Kendall, Jonathan A Konzen, Justin Maquinalez, Anthony J Martin, Leigh McCollough, Dixie D Messer, Brandi A Murray, Andrew J Myers, Tanner D Newman, Michael B Patton, Adam K Powell, Justin R Rodriguez, Jesse Roznovak, Rogers R Shafie, Tavonn Y Shumate, Jessica L Simpson, Ariel D Slagel, Madison R Sotelo, Belem Stephens, Owen L Thompson, Chelsi L Tichenor, Melissa R Tucker, Brittany L

Zulauf, Jamie L

12th Grade Ashcraft, Ksee M Askins, Garrett D Baker, Michael J Bartlett, Lacey J Bates, Brian K Billington, Mattie D Bracken, Erin E Brank, Jared A Brown, Jacob O Coe, Chance-Michael J Converse, Curtis R Cook, Aaron T Cox, Justin C Dixon, Brittany J Dowell, Wesley E Easley, Tiffany A Ebeling, Slayton W Flynn, Gerald J Fry, Stephen L Goodrum, Hillary D Hale, Seth T Hargrove, Rachel L Hartman, Amber E Harvell, Brittney N Houston, Nathan R Howerton, Jessica L Janda, Shae K Kemp, Travis L Lara, Eric J Mendoza, Joshua A Oxenreider, John W Perez, Maria D Peters, Brandon A Pyzik, Edward M Quirk, Jared M Rodriguez, Jesse Sauceda, Crystal D Schaefer, Crystal N Sniggs, Craig A Soirez, Corey M Soto, Raymond J Tichenor, Christina A Tracy, Michael A Warren, Brandi M Weatherly, Sherry N Whitfield, Justin K Whitmire, Jessica C



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# Sewers, school on readers' minds

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to an article printed in the Mill Creek Quarterly, Summer 2006 newsletter titled "Salado Drinking Water" advocating the installation of sewer by trying to create a crisis over unnecessary septic repairs and spreading misinformation concerning public drinking water. The fact is that a sewer system installed in Salado would be the single most destructive act outside of a natural disaster that could affect the Village.

According to county reports, besides domestic livestock, runoff of fertilizer phosphates originating from the golf course and private residences are a greater source of pollution to Salado Creek. Also, septic seepage does not measurably affect the aquifer. At any rate, in the future Salado will divert its water source to Stillhouse Hollow Lake.

The problem with sewer is the development of multi-family housing

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# Your Voice

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and increased land usage. Roads will have to be widened and civil services expanded. The article also mentioned Government grants, please give us the common sense not to involve the government. Septic keeps land use limited, which preserves the unique qualities that make the Village of Salado what it is, a special and fragile part of Texas history.

Citizens who understand the consequences that sewer will inflict upon the Village should ensure that their neighbors, community groups and City Aldermen are made aware of their opposition to any plan for installation. My request is to preserve the delicate balance of open space, living area and commercial areas and reject any plan to install a sewer system in the Village of Salado.

Don't destroy the Crown Jewel of Central Texas.

Thanks for your attention.

Kind Regards, Tim Rivers Mr. Rivers:

Malfunctioning or poorly functioning septic systems are one of several non-point sources (NPS) of pollution in Salado Creek. To discover which systems are leeching into the creek would require dye tests, something no governing body has expressed an interest in pursuing.

Even when Salado Water Supply Corporation gains access to the water it leases in Stillhouse Hollow, it will continue to rely on groundwater from the Edwards Aquifer.

Tim Fleischer

#### To the Editor:

I was surprised and concerned when I saw a new football stadium represented in the drawing of the new Salado High School campus. Also shown were a practice field (although I haven't an idea why practice cannot take place on the field used for games...but I digress), baseball AND softball fields, and tennis courts.

Superintendent Robin Battershell is quoted in your story as saying, "A master plan should not only take care of current needs, but help this community have a framework for expansion in the near and far future. I want to put into place a game plan for the future where we have a priority list of what will happen -- first, second, third -- on the current school sites and on the 50 acres."

This isn't what the

voters approved. The last election did not provide carte blanche to the Salado ISD Administration. Just what is this priority list? The story is rather vague. Your story further

Your story further says, "The 50 acre conceptual master plan includes space for a future football and track stadium, future tennis courts, future baseball and softball fields, and future additional parking, as well as additional classroom wings and a possible performing arts auditorium adjoining the new high school."

Possible additional classrooms, parking and performing arts auditorium were shown as dotted outlines, while the new sports complex as represented in full color (a "done deal?").

The voters of Salado made it clear in two elections that the bond was to be used for academic purposes, and that any spending for athletics was for renovation of existing facilities. The voters approved a bond issue with specific goals in mind. Even the preelection (pro-bond) mailer distributed to voters, by various and sundry means, confirms this.

Something just isn't right here. I would like to see more public discussion of the new campus design. The school board needs to hold public hearings at times convenient for working Salado residents.

Kendall Wallin

Salado Mr. Wallin,

In watching architect and construction manager work with school trustees on the planning of the new high school construction, I can tell you that there are no immediate plans pursuing construction of an athletic complex, particularly with money the from recentlyapproved bond issues.

The facilities and renovations committee recently began work on a master plan and priority list for both the 50-acres on FM 2484 and Williams and the 37 acres of usable property at the Thomas Arnold location.

As those priorities are decided, we will report them to our readers.

Without a master plan in place for all of the school district property, future school boards may make the mistake that past school boards have made: selling off school district property to save taxpayer money in the short term and forcing later school boards to buy property at a much higher price.

The public will have plenty of opportunity to give its input on the master plan, including this May.

Tim Fleischer



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# **Night in Tuscany**

# **Methodist Women's** Ministry plans festive evening on May 6

Italy comes to Salado this spring when the Women's Ministry of the United Methodist Church hosts "Celebration 2006: A Night in Tuscany." The group is raising funds to design and build a rock wall to display artist Troy Kellys statue titled "The Lord is My Shepard" on church grounds.

The event is scheduled for 7-9 p.m. May 6 at 3700 Chisholm Trail in Salado. Advanced tickets are available for \$25 or can be purchased for \$28 at the door.

Featuring an array of Italian food and drink pairings, the festivities will also offer live entertainment, a silent auction and a raffle--all in the spirit of Italy.

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state level it will take all of them doing their best. I hope that J.J. Jonas, Karen Ewton, my assistant directors, and I can put them in a position to be successful," Askins added.

The student crew is led by Cheli Urquiza who as student director is assisted by Kirsten Singleton, Tyler Correa, Kristen Smith, Wesley Dowell, Danielle

FROM PAGE 1A

Evan

and

Barbosa. There will be a public benefit performance of the award wining play "Gint" at the Silver Spur Theatre at 7:30 p.m. April 29.

Danford

Ticket prices are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students.

Reservations may be obtained by calling the Silver Spur box office at 947-3456.

#### Regionals FROM PAGE 1A

Mathematics.

Hora, second. Mathematics

Team: Hora, Molly Rooney, Permenter, Blake Hancock,

Number Sense: Ken Hora, first; Kathryn Holdampf, second; Wes Dowell, fourth; Brandon Peters, fifth.

Number Sense Team: Hora, Holdampf, Dowell, Peters, first.

Persuasive Speaking: Tyler Cook, second.

Poetry Interpretation: Dixie Darling, first.

Prose Interpretation: Danielle Danford, third;

Ken Crystal Schoellmann,

> Speech Team: first. Ready Writing: Grant Boston, first

> Spelling and Vocabulary: Jonny Kendall, first; Tamra Stanish, second.

> Spelling and cabulary Team: Kendall, Stanish, Reena Suresh,

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Salado High School senior Chris Redman (center) will join the football program at Tarleton State University in Stephenville in the fall. In his senior year, Redman held down positions on the offensive and defensive lines, but specialized at offensive guard and center. He is pictured with Coach Geoffrey Huff (left) and Head Coach and Athletic Director Jeff Cheatham (right).

# Salado softballers end season with win

out of playoff contention a week ago the Salado Lady Eagle softballers closed out the season on a winning note, downing Somerville at home April 21 by a final of 8-1.

The victory ensured the Lady Eagles a winning record in both district play, where they were 8-6, and for the season, where they closed out at 11-9. But in a district as competitive as 25AA, an 8-6 record was good enough for only a fifth place finish, as Salado had a hard time getting the breaks, with four of those six losses coming by one run.

With senior Shae Janda sitting down the Lady Yeguas in order in the top of the first, the Salado offense wasted little time in making its presence felt. The first six hitters in the Salado lineup would all reach base, and all six would score, with the runs coming compliments of one single, two triples, one walk and two Somerville errors.

With Janda in dominant form on the mound, the Lady Eagles retained a six run advantage until the top of the third, when Salado posted two more

Larissa Ingalsbe led off the home half of the third

Despite being knocked by drawing a bean ball, and with one out in the frame, Shawna McPherson stepped to the plate and was also plunked. Thanks to a sacrifice, a flyout and another Lady Yegua error, the Lady Eagles were able to convert the two baserunners into runs.

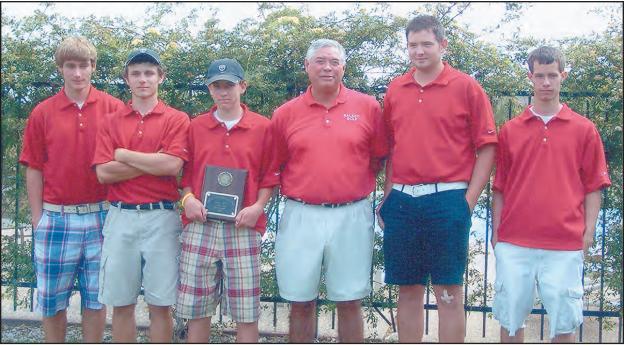
On her way to piling up nine strikeouts on the night, Janda would carry a no-hitter all the way into the seventh, when a single lined through the infield would upset the no-hit bid. But after a walk put two runners on with no outs, Janda and the Lady Eagle defense retired the next three hitters in order to finish out the game.

Somerville's lone run of the night came in the fourth, when a walk and two passed balls, followed by an infield sacrifice, scored the runner.

The win was number eight for the year for Janda, against seven defeats. She surrendered one hit, struck out nine and issued three walks.

At the plate, Lindsey McPherson, Coffey, Janda, Justine Ferrell-Raborn, Rachel Stemmer and Karleigh Goodnight all collected hits. Janda also had three RBI's, while Heather Winters had two.





The Salado boys golf team is, from left: Wesley Dowell, Travis Kemp, Ryan O'Rear, Coach Bobby Peschel, Lucas Martin and Clint Permenter. The boys led the field at the Regional Tournament after Round One by a commanding 32 strokes.



he Salado Lady Eagle golfers are headed to the State Tournament after taking the team gold at the Regional Tournament April 24-25. They are, from left: Katie Harris, Julie Hajda, Coach Bobby Peschel, Lacey Bartlett and Veronica Patochova. Bottom row: Sarah Dowell and Nicole Weatherly.

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# **Golfers dominate at Regionals**

The Salado golf teams thoroughly dominated the first round of the Regional Golf Tournament April 24 with all five Lady Eagles in the top ten rankings.

The Lady Eagles golf monopolized the top of the leader board after one round and then expanded on that lead on day two, with reports coming as of press time that Salado had finished the second 18 holes with a team total of 709. Although a handful of teams had yet to finish with a 95, but rebounding their rounds at the time the report was received, the Lady Eagles were so far ahead of the pack that

Sarah Dowell and Veronika Patockova led the team through the first round with scores of 87. Patackova would go on to post an 86 on day two, giving her a team low 173 for the tournament. Dowell was close behind with a two-day total of 174.

Lacey Bartlett shot a 181, with a 90 on day one followed by a 91. Katie Harris also had a 181 starting slowly on day one strongly with an 86 on day two. Nicole Weatherly shot rounds of 98 and 96 to finish with a 194. Patochova

Dowell the bronze, while, Bartlett and Harris tied for sixth.

The boys team also dominated the standings after the first round, as Wes Dowell was in second place with a round of 73. He was followed by Lucas Martin, 75, Travis Kemp, 78, Ryan O'Rear, 79 and Clint Permenter, 80.

With a first round 305, the Salado boys were 32 strokes of the second place team, Lago Vista, which competes in the same District as the Eagles.

As of press time, the Salado boys had to finish their second round.

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#### **Salado thumps Somerville 17-3**

# **Eagles assured of playoffs**

REPORTED BY COACH MELVIN BATES

The Salado Eagle baseball team took on the Jarrell Cougars April 17. Salado rallied twice in the game to take leads over Jarrell, but late inning defensive lapses cost the Eagles the game 9-5.

Jarrell held a 2-0 lead after 2 1/2 innings. Salado finally put a run on the board in the bottom of the third. Wesley Ruth was hit with a pitch to give Salado a base runner. Courtesy runner Tucker Wilhite moved to second on an error by the Cougars.

After shutting Jarrell down in the top of the fourth, the Eagles put three runs up on the board to take their first lead.

Singles by Kevin Jackson and Josh Shaw plus a walk to Seth Collins loaded the bases with one out. Seth Hale then delivered a double to right center that drove in all three runners for a 4-2 lead.

Salado's lead was short lived, though, as Jarrell managed two runs in the top of the fifth. In the bottom of the inning the Eagles again countered to retake the lead.

Jesse Rodriguez singled to start the inning. After an out was recorded, pinch runner Stephen Quick moved to third on Jackson's double to left. Quick then scored on a ground out by Johnny Nix.

Jarrell took control of the game in the sixth inning with the aid of the Eagles. Salado allowed three walks and committed two costly errors that allowed the Cougars to score five runs for the 9-5 win.

Kevin Jackson was 3-4 in the game. Jesse Rodriguez and Josh Shaw both had two hits.

Brian Bates pitched the first five innings, allowing six hits and three earned runs. Justin Schiller and Justin Pruitt pitched in the sixth and seventh, respectively.

The Eagles secured a playoff spot on April 21, by drubbing Somerville 17-3. The victory coupled with a Rogers win over Lago Vista ensured the Eagles of at least third place in District 25AA. Lexington also defeated Jarrell on April 21, putting Salado in sole possession of second place.

In their game with Somerville, the Eagles scored one run in the top of the first and added four in the second inning for a little breathing room. Josh Shaw reached base in the second on an error. He stole second and moved to third on a passed ball. Justin Schiller then lifted a sacrifice fly to right field to score Shaw.

Singles by Seth Hale and Seth Collins plus a walk to Wes Ruth loaded the bases. Tanner Myers then proceeded to smack a double that scored all three base runners and gave Salado a 5-1 lead.

The Eagles continued to attack throughout the game. In the third, fourth and fifth innings, Salado scored two runs in each. Hale, Shaw, Myers, and Jesse Rodriguez all produced runs during this time.

Salado put the game away with a big six run sixth inning. Tucker Wilhite, Rodriguez, and Shaw had an rbi in the inning while Rudy Torrez drove in two runs.

Shaw had a great day at the plate for Salado. He was 4 of 5 with 3 rbi's. Tanner Myers also had a good day going 2 of 3 with 4 rbi's.

Justin Pruitt, making his first start of the year, picked up the win. He went four innings allowing six hits and striking out five. Johnny Nix and Kevin Jackson each pitched an inning of relief.



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SHS credit recovery will meet June 5-June 30. Session 1 will meet from 8-9:50 a.m. Session 2 will meet from 10 a.m.-11:50. Cost is \$100.

Transportation is available from school only, at an additional fee of \$40. Registration forms are due in the office by the end of school on May 12.

The SAP committee will review the forms to determine placement in summer school courses because space is limited. Students who are in danger of failing a core course should complete an application for summer school.

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The program includes reading of scriptures, choral music and prayers for the government, the media, the churches and families. An Honor Guard from Ft. Hood will present the colors to begin the observance. Two original songs by local artists will be sung. Praise teams and a Youth choir will also be

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A Task Force of 20 from several communities are planning and making arrangements for the third NDP event to be held at the Expo Center. Salado members serving on of the NDP Task Force for the past three years are Robert and Doris Denman.

The Village of Salado Proclamation for the National Day of Prayer issued by Mayor Rick Ashe, "commends the Task Force and all congregations involved for their work in organizing this Central Texas event and encourages all to consider

joining others as you pray within your own faith, Americans praying for Americans."

First Baptist Church will have the church auditorium open 6 a.m.-6 p.m. for come-and-go prayer.

Salado United Methodist Church doors will be open for prayer 7 a.m.-7

Events are planned in Temple, Belton, Salado, Killeen, Copperas Cove and Lampasas leading up to May 4.

Shirley Dobson is the National Day of Prayer Task Force chair. This ear Dr. Henry Blakaby is honorary chair. National Day of Prayer was established in 1952 by a joint resolution of the United States Congress and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman.

#### Univ. of Arkansas scholarship awarded to Michael Heath

Michael Heath Pflugerville, has been awarded the Chancellor's Scholarship to study at the University of Arkansas. Heath is attending Pflugerville High School. He will graduate in May as a member of the National Honor Society completing the Distinguish Achievement Program. As a Chancellor's Scholar, Heath will be a member of U of A's Honors College where he plans to study Engineering.

Michael's parents are J. Michael and Gayle Heath of Pflugerville. His grandparents are Bill and Dene Heath of Salado.

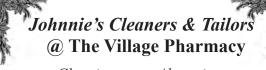
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## Monday Club sets out for day trip to Brenham May 1

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car pool of individual cars will provide transporta-

Departure time is set at 8 a.m. and return by 4

Reservations be made by calling the The church van and church office at 94-5482

#### **Vivian Bostic** passes away on April 11

Vivian Sue Childers Bostic, 66, passed away on April 11, 2006 in Upstate Carolina Medical Center, Gaffney, South Carolina.

A native of Gaffney, she was the wife of Albert (Al) Bostic Sr. and daughter of the late Claude Childers. She was formerly employed by Texas Instruments for 19 years as a security administra-

Bostic was past president of the Sertoma Club and was of the Baptist faith

Also surviving are a son, Kenneth Allen Bostic Sr., of Gaffney; a daughter, Rita Oden and husband, Mike, of Salado, : a brother, Allan Childers and wife, Joyce, of Virginia; two sisters, Doris Scruggs and husband Odis, of Lattimore, N.C., and Martha Mendez and husband, Jose, of Gaffney; a sister-in-law, Betty Childers of Gaffney; 10 Brandy grandchildren, McCord, Amber Bostic, Angie Bostic, Josh Brown,



Vivian Sue Childers Bostic

Matt Brown, Jake Brown, Tara Evans, Josh Oden, Jake Oden and Kenneth Bostic Jr.; and five great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Bostic was preceded in death by her son, Albert Bostic Jr.; a brother, Jimmy Childers; and a sister, Mary Hallman.

Services were held at Blakely Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Dan Bostic, Jolene Coyle and Lt. Col. Dick Norris officiating. Internment was in Fredrick Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to Grace Baptist Church building fund, P. O. Box 736, Salado, TX 76571.

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## **George Boysen graveside service** held at Salado Cemetery April 22

Graveside services for George W. Boysen, 76 of San Diego, California, were held 2 p.m. April 22, in Salado Cemetery. Mr. Boysen died April 5, 2006. He was born June 28, 1929, in Cedar Falls, Iowa to Herbert and Edna Bovsen.

Boysen served as a Chief Warrant Officer in Korea and as a helicopter pilot in Vietnam. He retired from military in

Boysen was preceded in death by his wife,

Shirley Boysen in 1981, by his parents, and by his brother, Herb Boysen.

Survivors are his son, Chris Boysen of Salado, and five grandchildren. He is also survived by two brothers, Harlan Boysen of Waterloo, Iowa, Jim Boysen of California, and four sisters, Doris Blake and Melba Merrill both of San Diego, California, Vera Scroggy of Colorado and Joann Hampton.

Funeral Dossman Home was in charge of the arrangements.

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Salado High School Future Farmers of America (FFA Farm Business Management team will be competing at the State Meet April 28. The team placed 12th at the Area contest. Shown above (from left) are vocational teacher Wendy Mehan and team members Josh Rodriguez, James Ervi, Morgan Kelly and Valerie Rangel.



Salado High School Future Farmers of America (FFA) Livestock Judging Team placed fourth at the Area contest, qualifying for the State contest April 29. Shown above are (from left) Garrett Reeves, Lauren Haire, Colby Christian, Ryan Smith, Jordon Mitchell, Leewayne Ingalsbe and vocational teacher Brad McMurtry

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The Rotary Flag Program will begin on Memorial Day.

# **Rotarians will fly colors**

#### Flag program major fundraiser for local club

The Rotary Club of Salado is continuing of the Salado Flag Program, and is currently soliciting subscriptions for the five flag-placement holidays for 2006.

On Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, Labor Day and Veteran's Day, club members make the rounds throughout Salado placing United States flas in positions of prominence at subscribers' homes or places of business. The flags are left to display for the entire holiday weekend, and are then collected by club members.

Price for a flag subscription for all five dates is \$25. The proceeds from flag subscriptions primarily benefit the scholarships the club awards annually to Salado High School students. If scholarship needs are met, then additional proceeds are applied to other local

projects.

In addition, those registering for a subscription within the next few weeks will have their names entered into a raffle for a prize to be drawn on May 16. Last year, a customized leather portfolio crafted by William "Duck" Menzies was raffled."

For more information or to subscribe, contact Rip VanWinkle at 254-947-3210.





Thomas Arnold first graders decorated flower pots and planted flowers for the front porch for Earth Day. Other school activities included: Pre-Kindergarteners planted flowers in the "Outdoor Learning Center." Kindergarteners made stepping stones for the playground. Second Graders took a nature walk to collect trash and then made key chains with it to remind them not to be litterbugs. Third Graders planted a tree. Fourth Graders built and decorated birdhouses to put in the trees around the school.

## PALS to read **Love Letters** here on May 8

A love affair isn't always a picnic but Salado's production of "Love Letters" will be the exception to the rule!

The exciting evening along with an elegant picnic supper will take place on 6:30 p.m. May 6 at the new Amphitheater Tenroc Ranch. Reservations must be made by calling 947-8300 before May 1.

Reading A. R. Gurney's play, "LOVE LETTERS" will be Dr. Paxton Howard and Pamela Low.

Tracing the lifelong correspondence of the staid, dutiful lawyer Andrew Makepeace Ladd III and the lively, unstable artist Melissa Gardner, the story of their bittersweet relationship gradually unfolds from what is written – and what is left unsaid – in their letters.

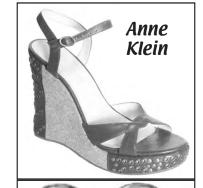
This event is being sponsored by PALS (Public Arts League of Salado) as a fundraiser to continue our efforts promote, support to and enhance the arts in Salado as well as seeking opportunities perpetuate to these endeavors.





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APRIL 27

Salado School Board Candidates Forum, 7 p.m. at Civic Center. April 29

Mill Creek Community Association Spring Cleanup. 8:30 a.m. coffee and rolls, 11:30 a.m. free hot dog lunch. More details TBA.

MAY 1

Salado Historical

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

May 1

Early voting begins at Salado Civic Center.

MAY 1

Monday Club of the Salado United Methodist Church field trip to the Blue Bell Ice Cream facilities in Brenham.
Group will meet 7:30 a.m.

at the church and return by 4 p.m. Reservations and info: 254-947-5482.

May 6

**Institute for** the Humanities at Salado Spring Lecture Series, featuring Patricia Limerick, Ph.D on "Pride Without Vanity: Patriotism in the 21st Century." Lecture: 5-7 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center; lunch with the speaker, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at The Range. Tickets and info: 254-947-5729 or www.saladoinstitute.org.

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MAY 8

May 6-7

**Public Arts League** 

of Salado (PALS) production of "Love Letters," an elegant picnic supper, 6:30 p.m. in the new amphitheater at Tenroc Ranch. Tickets: \$25 per person. Reservations: 254-947-8300 before May

May 11

Salado FFA Banquet, 6:30 p.m. in the Salado Intermediate School Commons Area. RSVP by May 5 to 254-947-6982. MAY 11

Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary Spring Luncheon at the Salado Civic Center. Program: Gwen Morrison on "Mothers and Daughters." May 13

Second Annual
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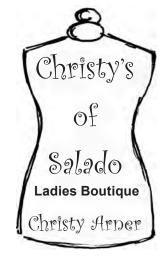
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**May 13** 

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May 16

**Teacup Tuesday** meeting, "Tea, Talk and Togetherness" luncheon at Stagecoach Inn. Details TBA.

**May 16** 

**Salado Community Chorus Spring Concert,** 7 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

**M**AY **17** 

DOHN ATENCIO

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

Salado High School Class of 2005-06 baccalaureate service, 7 p.m. at Salado United Methodist Church. **May 25** 

Salado High School Class of 2005-06 graduation ceremony, 7 p.m. at Bell County Expo Center. Info: Salado High School,

254-947-5429. May 29

**Annual Memorial** Day Service, 9:30 a.m. at the Salado Cemetery. Public invited; bring lawn chair. June 5

Salado Historical Society board meeting. 7 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center. JUNE 8

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

2006 Judy and A.C. **Greene Literary Fes**tival, featuring Steven Harrigan, author of the bestseller "Challenger Park," 7 p.m. each evening. Also featuring Salado performers in "A Legacy: the Sa-la-oh." More details TBA. **JUNE 10** 

**Annual Salado Reunion,** 9:30 a.m.-3: 30 p.m. at the Salado Intermediate School, Info: 254-947-5783 or 254-939-3187. **JUNE 21** 

Mill Creek Commu-

JOHN ATENCIO.

nity Association meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Inn on the Creek. **JUNE 24-25** 

**Auditions for** Tablerock's production of Macbeth, 3 p.m. both days at Tablerock. Director: David Dunlap, 254-247-0220 or ddunlap@ tablerock.org. JULY 4

Salado Historical **Society Annual Picnic**, 6: 30 p.m. in Pace Park. **JULY 13** 

Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 9:30 a.m. at the Civic Center. Program: Ruth Daw, "Women of Peru." **JULY 19** 

Mill Creek Community Association meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Inn on the Creek. July 22, 29 & Aug. 5

Tablerock's 14th **Annual presentation of** Salado Legends, 8:15 p.m. Dinner: 7:15 p.m., cost \$8, reservations required. Performance tickets: \$15 adults, \$5 for children 12 and under. Info: 254-947-3205 or www.tablerock.org. **JULY 26-28** 

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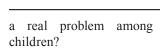
# **Curing childhood obesity**

Obesity is reaching what one might call "epidemic" proportions. Obesity is cited as the fastest-growing epidemic linked to the greatest number of illnesses and major health issues today. But it gets worse; it is affecting the young people of America. About 16 percent of children six-to-19 years old were estimated as overweight in the 1999-2002 National Health and Examination Nutrition Survey, according to the federal Centers for Disease Control

Why has obesity, originally thought of as an adult problem, become

#### LIFESTYLE AND WELLNESS

#### By Kevin McCauley



Simply stated, the young people of America suffer from poor exercise habits, and unbelievably, even worse nutritional regimens.

The stereotypical teenager's diet is a disaster:

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with a soda).

Dinner: Another highcalorie/low-nutrient meal filled with preservatives (carryout or convenience food).

It is no surprise that our young people are struggling with depression, psychological problems, and in a number of cases, senseless violence. Children's nutritional programs are riddled with sugar, unhealthy fats and empty calories. Many

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## Calendar of Events —

phaira1@vvm.com August 5-6

**40th Annual Salado Art Fair in Pace Park.** Info: Salado Chamber of Commerce, 254-947-5040

August 10

Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 9:30 a.m. at the Civic Center. Program: Paul Letourneau on his book "My Vietnam Experiences." Spouses invited.

August 12

Mill Creek Community Association Fall Social, 6 p.m. happy hour, 7 p.m. dinner. Details TBA.

August 16

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

SEPTEMBER 16-17

**Tablerock's Fantasy Faire** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. both days, featuring characters from history, literature, mythology and imagination. Enjoy music, dance, swordplay and storytelling, and shop goods from over 50 vendors. Admission: \$7 for adults, \$5 for children 12 and under, seniors and military. Info: 254-624-1008 or email hhood@tablerock.org. **SEPTEMBER 20** 

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

SEPTEMBER 20-22

Salado Village Art-

ists Painting Workshop, with D.K. Nichols, of Rockdale. Workshop will focus on abstract color and design; student will have choice of medium. Price: \$155. Info: email phaira1@vvm.com.

October 7-8

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OCTOBER 12-14

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

OCTOBER 18

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

OCTOBER 21

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

OCTOBER 21

Annual Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament, 8 a.m. start at Mill Creek. Info: Salado

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Chamber, 254-947-5040. **October 21** 

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

**Tablerock's Fright Trail** 7:30-10:30 p.m. both nights. Two trails to choose from. Concessions available. Admission: \$5 for adults, \$3 for children 12 and under. Info: 254-947-9205 or email tablerock1@aol.com. **NOVEMBER 15** 

Mill Creek Community Association meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Innon the Creek.

NOVEMBER 21

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

Tablerock Amphitheater's Annual presentation of Charles Dickens' Yuletide classic, A Christmas Carol, 7 p.m. each night. Tickets available at the gate beginning 6:30 p.m. Concessions open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets: \$5 for adults, \$3 for children. Info: 254-947-9205 or www.tablerock.org. DECEMBER 1-3

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

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

2006 Coach Smith Memorial Basketball Tournament, featuring some of the finest high school basketball teams in the state. More info TBA. DECEMBER 12

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



# CHILDHOOD OBESITY

children's daily nutritional programs are completely void of healthy fats and quality protein, let alone nutritious vegetables and fruits. Many of our youth would discount that last statement, as they would attest to eating French fries (potatoes) and Ketchup (tomatoes) daily. And yes, I wish I were kidding.

I believe nutrition to be the most important component when fighting the national problem of childhood obesity. Exercise, though important, must complement a proper nutritional regimen, as exercise cannot makeup for all the issues a poor diet creates (I will say it once again, what sense does it make to add exercise to someone's life who is malnourished?).

An excellent nutrition regimen, with just a small amount of exercise, can keep us not only from obesity, but also accelerated aging degenerative disease.

Less than just 100 years ago there were numerous cultures throughout the world that had no word for cancer and heart disease, but that has quickly changed. Why? These societies/ tribes were introduced to "displacement" foods by what we might call the civilized cultures of the day (Western Civilization): refined and processed flour, sugar, vegetable

## Mill Creek clean up day set for this weekend

Mill Creek Community Association will have a Community Clean-Up Day, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. April 29. There will be coffee, juice and donuts at the Creekside Swimming Pool area to start the workers off. As everyone returns, hotdogs, chips, etc. will be served.

All Mill Creek residents are encouraged come and share making the community a more beautiful place to live. In conjunction, Beautification Chairman, Joe Oliver, will be meeting with his committee at 9 a.m. for a short meeting to clarify their agenda for the coming year. Anyone and everyone is welcome to participate.

Gloves, sunscreen, band-aids, bug spray, etc. will be an added enticement to seduce the Mill Creek neighbors to join in. Letta Meinen will be offering suggestions for areas needing special attention and will be at the sign-in table. Doug and Jackie Gipson will be in charge of seeing that everyone receives food when the work is done, and Larry Freeman and Shorty Bisnett will head up the weed eater crew.



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oils, pasteurized milk and canned goods were implemented into their "tribal" way of eating. Today, the young of America might call these displacement foods the Big Six: baked goods, soft drinks, commercialized snack foods, fast food, pre-sugared breakfast cereals and pre-prepared/ convenience foods.

Every time a culture begins to move away from real food that we hunt and fish for, gather and pick, and begin to consume the above displacement foods, disease follows. Not some of the time, every time. Once the displacement foods are removed, and the real foods that are indigenous to that specific tribe are reintroduced, the disease disappears.

Children are having more problems with their health because they are being introduced to these "displacement" foods earlier, and more often. It is that simple.

So, what does that mean to our young and their parents? We need to create a movement that has children looking at food as nutrition not just calories. The young America people of

need to understand that without proper nutrition throughout the day, which should include four meals, including breakfast and a snack, it isn't a matter of "if" they are going to have health problems, including obesity, it is "when".

We live in a fastpaced culture where we are motivated by instant gratification; this culture is now a fast-food culture that is dominated by "altered" foods that are taking lives sooner than any other time since the inception of medical drugs. Many experts believe that the children today will not live a longer life than their parents and there is plenty of evidence to support that. We only have one body, and children must be re-educated on the real importance of food, if not, that one body will wear out sooner than they think.

This is evidenced with numerous "adult" diseases now being imparted upon the young of America.

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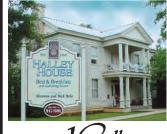




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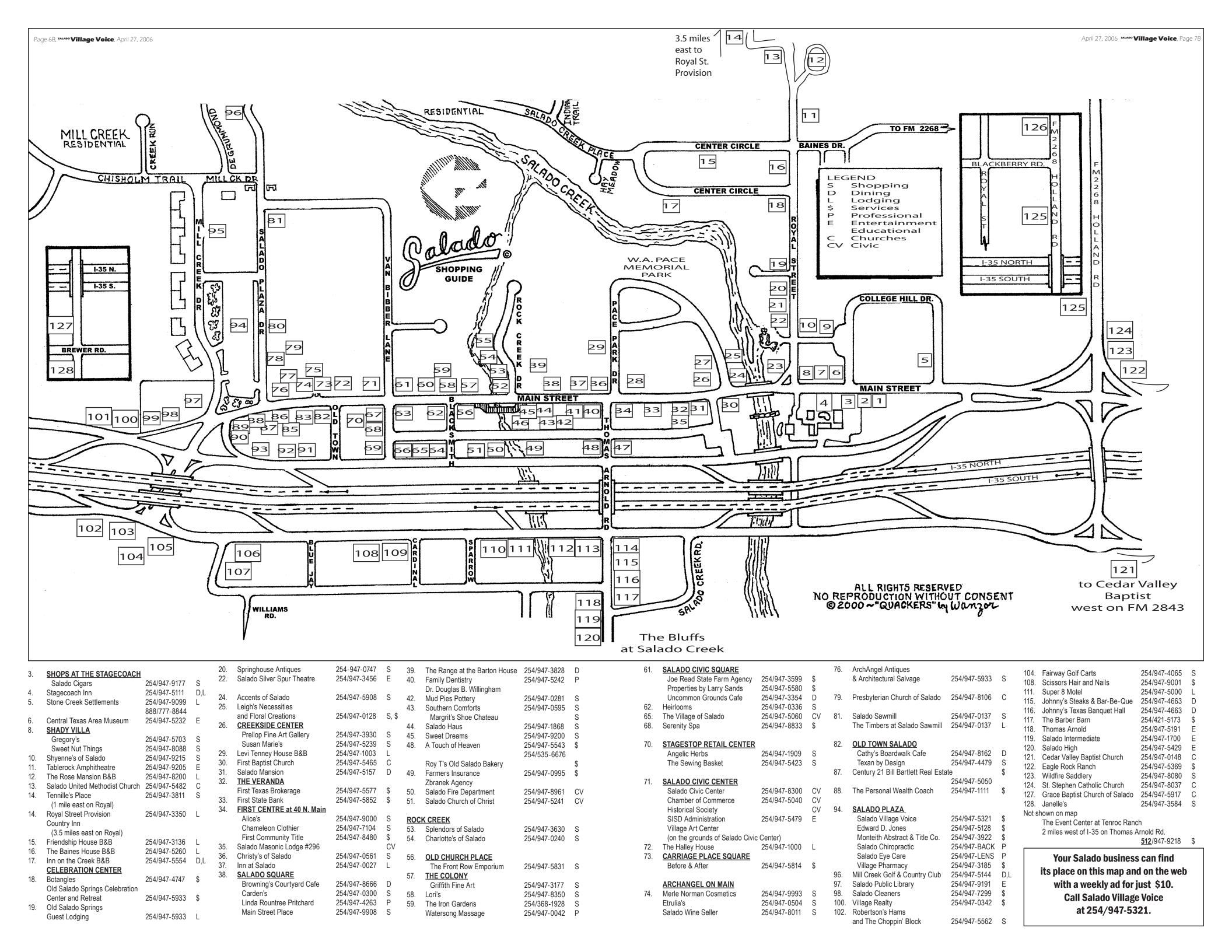
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# Slots still open for Institute's writing project

for the personal stories writing workshop set for this weekend, sponsored by the Institute for the Humanities at Salado.

The workshop is part of the Writing Central Texans' Lives writing project that was started to help central Texans write about their experiences. It is hoped that those personal histories will

Slots are still available eventually become an The Bell County Museum anecdotal history of Bell County.

> This second public writing workshops is being co-sponsored by the Cultural Activities Center in Temple. It will be 10: 30 a.m.-2 p.m. April 29 at the CAC. The Institute and CAC are encouraging anyone with a story to tell to come to that workshop to learn how to get started writing their personal stories.

The purpose of the workshop is to produce and collect stories about central Texans' lives by helping people learn how to write about their experiences. If the workshops continue to grow and enough stories are collected, it is hoped that they can be collected into a book about the people and their and no writing background experiences in this area.

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has expressed interest in helping collect and house the material.

The project began last fall with a writing workshop jointly sponsored by Salado Institute and the University of Texas Humanities Institute, the group who sponsored the highly successful Writing Austin's Lives project.

The Writing Central Texans' Lives project is continuing this spring with another hands-on writing workshop, taught by the same workshop leader, Abe Louise Young, who helped get the project started last year. She is an Austin writer, poet and the designer of the Writing Austin's Lives life writing workshops.

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The Palace Theatre in Georgetown will open Hello, Dolly! on May 5 with a Gala celebration and parade in conjunction with First Friday activities in the Historic downtown on the Square. Directed by Mary Ellen Butler, Hello, Dolly! will run for five weekends, closing on June 4.

Jerry Herman wrote the music and lyrics for this wonderful musical, and Michael Stewart wrote the book; it is based on the play The Matchmaker by Thornton Wilder.

Show times are Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2: 00 p.m. Show dates are May 5-7, 12-14, 19-21, 26-28, and June 2-4. Ticket prices are \$18 General Admission; \$16 Seniors (55+); and \$7 Children (18 and younger) and \$7 Students (with college ID). The Palace seats 295, with open seating. A limited number of reserved seats are available for each performance at ticket price plus \$5 per seat, purchased in advance. The Palace office is open weekdays 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. for your convenience.

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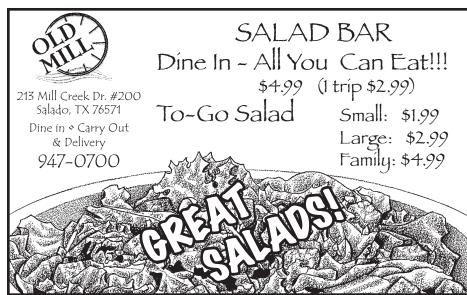
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- 2 medium onions, chopped
- 1–2 large garlic cloves, minced or pressed
- 1 TB minced chilies
- 1 tsp ground cumin seeds
- 3 TB canola or olive oil
- 21/2–3 cups chopped bell peppers (red, green, or yellow)
- 8 oz cream cheese
- 11/2 cups grated cheddar cheese
- 1/2 cup cottage cheese
- salt to taste
- 8 corn tortillas
- 4–6 cups cooked brown rice
- canola oil for frying Hot Sauce
- 2 cups undrained canned tomatoes
- 1/2 cup green bell pepper, coarsely chopped
- 1 small onion, coarsely chopped
- 2–3 TB minced chilies (or to taste)
- 1 tsp ground cumin seeds
- salt to taste

In a large cast iron skillet, sauté the onions, garlic, chilies, and cumin in the oil for 5 to 7 minutes, until the onions are soft. Add the chopped peppers, cover, and cook on low heat for about 10 minutes, until the peppers are tender. Remove from the heat and immediately stir in all the cheeses. Add salt to taste and set aside. Corn tortillas need to be softened in order to fill them more easily and to prevent them from cracking while baking. Place tortillas, a few at a time, on an ungreased griddle to warm and

Place warm tortillas on a flat surface and spoon

1/4–1/2 cup of the filling onto the half of the tortilla closest to you. Roll and place, seam side down in an oiled baking pan. Repeat for

other tortillas. Bake tightly covered for 20–25 minutes. While the enchiladas are baking prepare the hot sauce. Purée the tomatoes, bell peppers, onion, chilies, and cumin in a blender until smooth. Simmer uncovered, on low heat for at least 20 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add salt to

taste. Serve the enchiladas

on a bed of rice and top with

the hot sauce.

Nutrition Info

Per Serving (513g-wt.): 610 calories (250 from fat), 28g total fat, 15g saturated fat, 20g protein, 74g total carbohydrate (8g dietary fiber, 5g sugar), 70mg cholesterol, 890mg sodium

#### **Mexican Rice**

Dairy-free, Gluten-free, Vegetarian Serves 4–6

- 1 TB annatto seeds
- 2 TB canola oil
- 1 small onion, chopped

- 11/2 cups uncooked brown rice
- 3 cups water
- 1 cup peas (fresh or frozen)
- 2 TB fresh lime juicesalt to taste

In a very small skillet or saucepan, heat the annatto in the oil on medium heat for 4 to 5 minutes, until the oil turns a bright red-orange color. Strain the oil and discard the seeds.

In a medium saucepan, sauté the onion and garlic

minutes. Add the rice and sauté for 2 or 3 minutes. Add the water and bring to a boil. Reduce the heat, cover, and cook until the water is absorbed, 35 to 45 minutes. Just before the rice is done, add the peas, but do not stir. The steam will cook them and they will remain bright green. Stir in the lime

juice and salt to taste. Serve garnished with slices of avocado and lemon or lime wedges.

in the oil for 5 to 6 If desired, top with grated minutes. Add the rice and sauté for 2 or 3 minutes.

Add the water and bring Nutrition Info

Per Serving (153g-wt.): 340 calories (110 from fat), 12g total fat, 1.5g saturated fat, 7g protein, 54g total carbohydrate (6g dietary fiber, 3g sugar), 0mg cholesterol, 270mg sodium

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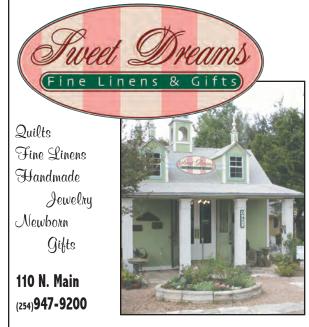
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the other is wrong. Let's say West begins by leading three rounds of diamonds, declarer ruffing the third. South sees that he has two likely club losers and that his best chance for the contract is to try

to arrange an elimination

play, which may or may not succeed. He therefore cashes the

South dealer.

WEST

The bidding:
West

The art of

camouflage

**Contract** 

By Steve Becker

There are basically two

ways for declarer to play

this hand. One is right and

Bridge

South 1 ♥ 4 ♥

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**♣**Q4

Both sides vulnerable

**NORTH** 

SOUTH **↑** A 8 **♥** Q 10 9 7 5 3

North 3 ♥

♦ Q 2 ♣A 9 3

Opening lead - king of diamonds

♣K 10 8 2

East

A-K of trumps, followed by the A-K of spades and a spade ruff, eliminating all the spades and diamonds from both hands. South then plays the ace and another club. When West wins the club with the queen, he is forced to return a spade or a diamond. This allows dummy to ruff as South sheds his

contract is made. That's one way to play the hand. It's good, but it has a flaw: When South cashes the ace of clubs at trick nine, West, who has been observing the developments to this point, may be shrewd enough to drop his queen on it. Declarer then loses two club tricks and goes down one.

other club loser, and the

But declarer has a better method of play that is almost certain to succeed. Instead of telegraphing his plan of action so clearly, which allows an alert West to counteract it, South should disguise his intentions so that it will not be so easy for West to realize what is going on.

At trick four, declarer should lead a trump to the king and then play a club to the ace. It would be next to impossible for West to drop his queen on the ace at this stage. He is not in position, so early in the play, to read declarer's intentions.

From West's viewpoint, South may be planning to take a club finesse later in the play, so dropping the queen of clubs under the ace might seem suicidal to him. He is therefore far more likely to play low on the ace. If he does, he becomes subject to the elimination play and cannot later wriggle out of

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# Weekly SUDOKU

#### by Linda Thistle

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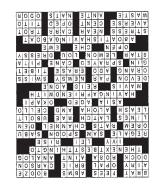


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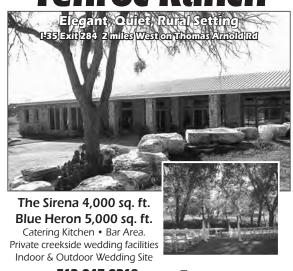
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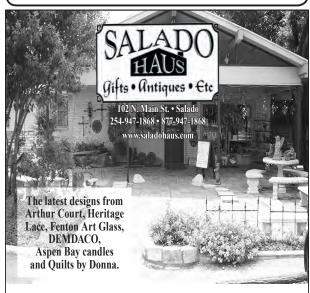


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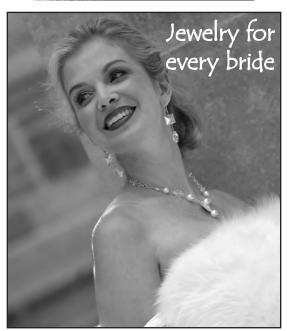
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# College pranks at Baylor U

During my freshman year at Baylor, I learned how to play. We guarded the campus the night before homecoming, as tradition dictates. During the 3 a.m. to 6 a.m. shift, about 30 of us staged a huge auto wreck at the main intersection on campus. We had cars and bodies scattered everywhere. When a big truck came through and saw the obvious carnage, it took the driver about a block to stop his rig. When he finally arrived on the scene, we quickly got up and sang:"Good morning to you. We're all in our places with bright shiny faces and

Tumbleweed Smith

this is the way to start a new day."

Pretty soon the cops put a stop to that. Guarding the campus proved futile. Just after 6 a.m., when the guard session was over, somebody painted TCU on the stadium wall. It had to be sandblasted off and we felt responsible. We went to Fort Worth and painted a big BU in front of TCU's administration

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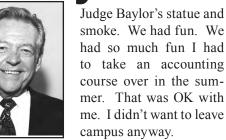
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building. Some more creative ag types planted a big BU in rye grass on their playing field.

We once found a dead dog on the street, picked it up, and sneaked into a restroom in the girls' We carefully dorm. placed it into a toilet tail first, with the head and front paws showing.

We'd load up my convertible with anybody who was in Kokernot Hall and head for Lake Waco. We practically lived there during the spring. When we saw a bunch of scouts, we'd go over to their campsite, pile out of the car, form a line, stand at attention, play taps on a trumpet, get back in the car and drive off.

We used to sit on



During the summer we lived in Brooks Hall in a large room just above an archway. One complete wall of our room was windows. We used to hit golf balls out those windows toward downtown Waco. had water gun fights. Sometimes we'd put ink in the guns and guys who got shot with ink would have purple or blue on their faces and then we'd go eat at a downtown restaurant. We wouldn't tell the guys who got inked how horrible they looked. They wondered why everybody stared at them. We brought back a dead shark from the coast onetime and put it under our wing director's bed. It was there for a week before he figured out what was stinking up the place.

One religious guy was always bothering guys in the dorm trying to save their souls. One night while he was asleep we sneaked into his room, sprayed a ring of lighter fluid around his bed, lighted it and chanted, "You're in Hell." We once took a guy's bed and personal belongings and set them up in the shower room. When he walked in, the record player was playing one of his favorite tunes. A couple of Chinese students rebuilt a Model A in somebody's dorm room over the holidays. One inventive student got a camel from a visiting circus and put it on the third floor of the library building.



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\$218,000: Open living area consists of family room, den, dining and kitchen. Two fireplaces. Large windows overlook beautiful backyard from family room. Two bedrooms and bath downstairs with bedroom, bath and loft upstairs. Wonderful master suite has room for sitting area or office. Treed lot in a beautiful section of Mill Creek.



\$124,900: Nice, clean and ready for occupancy. Many updates in wellmaintained home. Separate workshop could be a 3rd garage, storage building or a workshop. Building is 17' X 37' with water and electricity.



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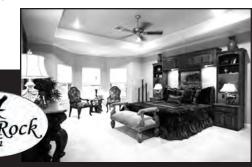
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# **Naturalist** as part of

BY MARGARET WILLIAMSON

The private garden of John and Barbara Robertson will be one of six stops on the Salado Yard and Garden Tour, May 6-7. It is a naturalistic garden that employs a gentler approach to landscaping rather than the formal traditional style. Naturalistic gardens feature curving beds with native plants and winding paths that flow with the landscape and reflect the look of the region.

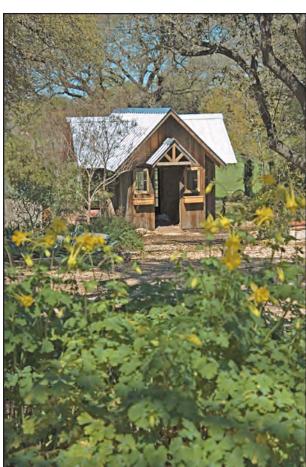
This yard and garden begins on a curving peaceful lane in Mill Creek. As one approaches the lovely Texas stone home, a stately live oak greets one with a garden under the spread of the tree. Here is a beautiful patch of native yellow columbines brightening the shade and interlaced with other Texas natives like yucca, salvia greggii (autumn sage), winecups, rock rose, yarrow, lantana and mistflower. "Texas Gold" columbine is a clumping perennial that grows in the dappled shade and reseeds itself. It has an eye-catching bright yellow bloom in the spring with its five pedals and long spurs. The natural habit of these showy flowers is to grow in rocky environments especially where limestone is abundant. An added feature is the placement of large limestone boulders.

The foundation plantings at the front are planted in a natural way. Colors and textures seem casually interlaced as if to make themselves at home. Tall plants and short ones stand side by side and blend in together and offer a rustic simplicity to the design of the beds. Perennials like coreopsis, columbines, Blackfoot daisy, damianita, lantana, skullcap and copper canyon daisy along with succulents, sedums, Texas sage, yaupon, wax myrtles and a fence covered in crossvine help ground this naturalistic garden that adds such variety to the landscape. The use of the native plants brings forth the butterflies, hummingbirds, bees and the Texas song birds.

Follow the crushed granite path to the new Texas style potting shed and its picture book garden. The charming shed is made from old lumber and has a tin roof, window boxes filled with lantana, stained glass windows, and French doors with beautiful beveled glass panes. At the back, a porch overlooks

SEE GARDEN, PAGE 10C

# garden will be open **Salado tour May 6-7**



A Texas-style potting shed sits amid a picture book garden. The shed is made from old lumber and has a tin roof, window boxes filled with lantana, stained glass windows, and French doors with beveled glass



Look for butterflies in the garden of John and Barbara Robertson during the May 6-7 Salado Yard and Garden Tour.

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# **Environmental issues of mining?**

Dear EarthTalk: Several tragic accidents recently brought to light the lethal dangers of mines to mine workers. What are the environmental issues with mining, including their long-term impact on both public and mine workers' health? -- Ed Kelley, Albuquerque, NM

Mining is an inherently nasty practice when looked at from either environmental or health standpoints. For starters, large-scale excavation, which disrupts topsoil and displaces wild flora



and fauna, is often needed to get at relatively small amounts of ore. And the leftover waste or "runoff" often contains toxins like mercury and sodium cyanide that can contaminate local water sources. The smelting that processes the ore can cause sulfurous dust clouds that lead to acid rain. And to add insult to injury, abandoned mines are often later used as unregulated landfills for hazardous wastes.

Examples mining environmental disasters abound. One of the most well known happened in Martin County, Kentucky in 2000, where 250 million gallons of toxic chemicalmetal-containing liquid waste burst through a coal waste dam. That accident killed 1.6 million fish and contaminated drinking water for 27,000 people. Jack Spadaro, who oversees area enforcement for the U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA), didn't put local residents at ease when he told reporters at the time that 200 other locations

in the region could do the same at any moment.

The West Virginiabased Coal River Mountain Watch works prevent disasters of such magnitude by lobbying lawmakers to pass reforms, urging enforcement officials to increase their vigilance and educating the public about the risks in their own backyards. The non-profit group focuses its efforts primarily on "mountaintop removal" mining operations, which blast off the tops of mountain peaks to get at underlying coal deposits. The vegetation and forest loss that results from such operations increases flooding and landslides, and the waste byproducts poison local

In the United States, Congress has tried to clean up the mining industry through passage of the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1977 and then the Superfund law in 1986 (requiring cleanup of toxic sites, including mines, after they have been abandoned), but enforcement of these laws has been spotty at best.

Mining remains fundamentally dangerous to mine workers as well, separate from the risks of accidental death. Mine workers are often exposed to unhealthy levels of irritants such as asbestos,

uranium and even diesel exhaust from heavy machinery. Emphysema and cardiovascular problems are common among miners, and cancer rates are higher than average as well.

Despite highly publicized episodes like the tragic explosion at the Sago mine in West Virginia this past January, MSHA claims that mining has gotten safer for workers in recent years. While 22 workers lost their lives as a result of accidents at mines in the U.S. last year, they say, that figure represents a 50 percent reduction from a decade earlier. Nonetheless, the specter of death looms large over the mining industry, and many workers are scurrying to find jobs in other fields.

CONTACTS: Coal
River Mountain Watch,
www.crmw.net; U.S.
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Other gardens on the

tour are the public garden at the Green Bridge where one can enjoy the many flowering perennials, native plants and public art; the historic Baines House bed and breakfast owned by Rod and Sheryl Russell where the spacious garden is filled with art and art objects; the architecturally significant private country estate of Barton and Jeanie Jones situated on a limestone cliff and landscaped to afford one the natural view and awe of the site; the private yard and garden

of Joe and Dottie Oliver, a formal setting amongst a canopy of trees and a lovely pool area; and the private country garden of Les McCollum and Richard Teeler that is actually a collection of interesting gardens flowing from one space to another.

The tour, sponsored by the Salado Garden Club and the Public Arts League of Salado and in part by the Village of Salado municipal occupancy tax revenues, will be 10 a.m.-4 p.m. May 6 and

1-4 p.m. May 7.

Gardens will be self guided with volunteers helping when needed.

Tickets are \$10 and are good for both days.

You can purchase the tickets in advance at the Salado Civic Center or the Village Artist Center behind the civic center.

Maps will be available leading to each location with a short description of each garden. Tours will be conducted rain or shine. Strollers and pets

are not permitted and wheelchair accessibility is limited. Additional information can be found on the Salado Chamber website at www.salado.com or by calling the Civic Center at 947-8300. Proceeds will be used for the beauon the day of the tour at tification of Salado and the promotion of the arts.

An additional feature of the garden tour will be the Village Artists' exhibit displaying their lovely art pieces at their location on the back property of the Salado Civic Center.

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#### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION ADMINISTRADORES)

To the registered voters of Salado Independent School District, Salado, Texas:

(a los votantes registrados del Escuela Independiente Distric, Salado, Texas)

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(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 13 de mayo, 2006, para votar en una elección a elegir dos (2) administradores para los tres términos completos del año para Tablero de administradores del districto independiente de la escuela. LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES:

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(entre las 7:30 a.m. de Ia mañana y las 4:30 p.m. de la tarde empezando el 1 de mayo, 2006

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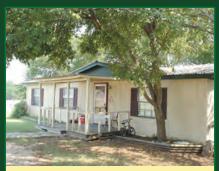
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Exit 305 North of Temple. .54 acres with existing station. Excellent business opportunity.

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