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TNRCC public meeting slated Feb. 24 at SCC

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) in conjunction with the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board will conduct a public meeting to focus on educating the local community about non-point source pollution and getting public and private well owners involved in protecting their drinking water.

The public meeting will be 7 p.m. Feb. 24 in the Salado Civic Center on Main St.

The TNRCC will collect groundwater samples and provide analytical results, **free of charge**, to the first 10 well owners who volunteer to participate in the program.

For more information, please contact Annie Tyrone, TNRCC Public Meetings Unit, in Austin at 1-800-633-9363.

Storytime set

The Salado Public Library will have a preschool storytime 10 a.m. Feb. 21 for children ages 3-5. There will be stories, songs and a craft.

Please call the library at 947-9191 to let them know you're coming.

Demonstrations, appraisals just a part of second annual Quilt Show Feb. 28-March 1

Quilts of all sizes, shapes, designs and ages will be displayed at the Salado Civic Center and Central Texas Area Museum during the Second Annual Quilt Show 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Feb. 28-March 1.

The Salado Village Artist will conduct a live quilting demonstration throughout the show at the Salado Art Center, on the grounds of the Salado Civic Center. The quilt will be auctioned at the close of the show March 1.

Terri Ellis, American Quilter Society Certified Appraiser, will be available during the show for information about quilts. Visitors are encouraged to bring quilts to the show for her evaluation. Ellis will perform a written ap-



Salado Legends has 37 speaking parts. Auditions are Feb. 23.

Auditions open Feb. 23 for Salado Legends

Auditions for speaking and walk-on roles for the Fifth Annual production of the outdoor musical drama *Salado Legends* will be held 7-10 p.m. Feb. 22, and 1-3 p.m. Feb. 23. Auditions for singing roles are 6-9 p.m. Feb. 23. All auditions will be conducted at Tablerock's indoor stage, Tablerock Amphitheater,

Royal Street, Salado, Texas.

Readings will be from the script. The script has 37 speaking parts that include all age groups. Previous productions of *Salado Legends* accepted actors ranging from 6 months to 85 years old.

Roles that require singing are adult male and female,

teenage and children boys and girls. To audition for singing roles please bring a prepared song with your own accompaniment or you may sing a cappella. Piano is available.

Call-back dates will be announced at the auditions. For more information call Jackie Mills at 947-9205



The Salado Quilt Show Feb. 28-March 1 will have quilts of all shapes, sizes, designs and ages with displays at the Salado Civic Center on N. Main St. and the Central Texas Area Museum on S. Main St. (file photo by Marilyn Fleischer)

School board meets Feb. 19 with full agenda

The Salado ISD Board of Trustees will meet in regular session 7 p.m. Feb. 19 in the high school library with eight business items before going into executive session for discussion of four items.

Among the business items for discussion are these:

1. Discussion of BLGY architects and financial procedures.
2. Discussion of High School Computer programs
3. Discussion of RFPs to area architects;
4. Discussion of construction management services.
5. Discussion on ESC 12 Board of Directors opening for Bell County;

6. Call school board election for May 3, 1997. Sign-up between Feb. 17 and March 19.

School board candidates may sign up at the Superintendent's office in the Salado Civic Center 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

7. Consider approval of land survey on school property.

8. Consider change in snow day from March 28 to May 23.

The board will go into executive session to discuss the following items:

1. Consider administrator contracts for principals.
2. Consider land purchase.
3. Discussion of personnel.
4. Discussion of board evaluations.
5. Discussion of Superintendent goals.

MCCA Mixer stirring Feb. 24

The Mill Creek Community Association will hold a Mixer Buffet for newcomers to Mill Creek Feb. 24, at Mill Creek Country Club.

Social hour will begin at 6 p.m. Dinner will be held at 7 p.m.

Door prizes will add to the evening, a short business meeting will be held.

Call Mary Catherine Ervin 947-8230 or Teresa Tolbert 947-5982 for reservations. The deadline for reservations is Feb. 20. Dinner will cost \$11.95 per person.

Folks who have moved to Mill Creek within the last year are encouraged to attend the mixer.



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Gov. Bush learning hard political lesson in tackling property taxes

Governor George W. Bush is rapidly learning some difficult political lessons as a result of his two-year-long, hard-charging and highly political compulsion, to lessen the school property tax burden carried by Texas taxpayers.

The day after the 74th session ended in June 1995, the Governor set the wheels in motion to gather as much information as possible concerning the public's attitude towards this ad valorem type tax that supports a majority of the cost of the public schools.

Also included in the information gathering charge given to the study and survey groups was the need to uncover the full impact of the tax on various age groups as well as the Texas business community.

The fact-finding committees held hearings from one end of the State to the other for the better part of eighteen months and when the final reports were filed with the State's top elected official, the die was cast and property tax relief was determined to be the number one item on the Governor's legislative agenda.

PLAN IS SIMPLE RESULTS COMPLEX

The plan, arrived at by Bush, is simple. Drop the school tax rate on property in each school district by twenty cents and increase the home-

Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



stead deduction for each family.

Also increase the amount of state-aid to school districts on top of the tax relief and pay for everything with a hike in the sales tax while popping business for the bulk of what remains to be collected plus plenty of sweetening from the State's budget surplus.

DEMO LEADERS LURK

"What a grand idea" noted the Democratic leaders in Austin including Comptroller John Sharp, Lt. Governor Bob Bullock and House Speaker Pete Laney. First blush pictured the terrific trio as high in their praise of the Governor for thinking up this "swell" idea.

What was not being watched was that bad old political hobgoblin called "partisanship" plus a little "one-upmanship" and a smattering of power politics tossed in for good measure.

These not-so-little-monsters reared their ugly heads almost immediately after the initial hurrahs disappeared.

First rattle out of the box came a "select" committee set up in the House of Representatives by Laney to handle only

the Guv's tax reform plan.

This gives Laney direct control of what is done with the bill in the House rather than delegate the matter to two or three committees that would normally have a hand in the education-tax cookie jar.

More importantly it will keep a halter on grandstanding house members who tend to further their own political causes if allowed unfettered freedom in runaway committees.

CANNY BOB

Bullock, not known for being a political "dummy" either, set up his version of the House committee using a slightly different twist.

Battling Bob's Senate group contains a majority of Republicans!

Why? So when all this reform stuff hits the fan it will not be the good old Lt. Governor or his fellow Demos, who get hit.

SHARP KNIFES GUV'S PLAN

And then we have John Sharp, our "hungry-for-higher-office" Comptroller, who was asked very kindly by the Guv's office, to prepare a fiscal note on the Governor's reform plan. Something Sharp is supposed to do anyway.

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Congratulations to Salado High School Basketball Teams. Good Luck in the Play-offs



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Law requires an official price tag on pending legislation so both lawmakers and the public can see what all these new ideas are going to cost in the years ahead.

Can you hazard a guess as to what the fiscal experts - working under Sharp's direct tutelage said? "Cost will be greater than the Governor is predicting for the first year and will grow heavily each year thereafter. Also, the surplus contemplated and desperately needed to make the plan fly - is lower than indicated in Bush's projections".

In other words the Bush plan will cost more and do less than the Guv is telling the public!

BUSH INCOME TAX?

Business, which will be hardest hit, has been busy "jaw-boning" their personal lawmakers (you know, the ones already bought and paid for) with the traditional no-new-tax complaint that a hike in the sales tax plus the new profits levy would "kill" them.

Translation - if passed there will be smaller profits for business, hence fewer dollars going to lawmaker's pockets or PACs in future.

These same leaders of commerce, located throughout the State, are also starting to mutter that the new tax planned by the young Republican Governor contains the very thing he hates more than a liberal - "**A CORPORATE INCOME TAX**" and you know where that can lead!

Corporate income taxes, say the entrepreneurs, are always followed in lock-step by a personal income tax and could all be brought about by a GOP Governor who took an oath that such a horror as this would never happen - at least while he was alive and kicking!

Those sentiments should be enough to pull the plug on the new commercial profits tax but young George is determined to make business pay their fair share and has told them so to

their collective faces.

In any event - what we see developing now in the hallowed halls of our statehouse and the surrounding Austin watering holes is nothing short of a plot to kill the effort to reduce property taxes the way the Guv wants done.

What will probably happen will be some fiddling with numbers allowing schools a little more money provided they cut back some on the property tax - but it will mostly be cosmetic. The old "no-pain, no-gain" theory of lawmaking.

Then will come another study of taxes during the off-season followed by next year's reelection campaigns by our top statewide officials and legislators, who will be wringing their hands and shaking their heads about the plight of the taxpayer.

AND SO IT GOES

No matter what the legislature does in this or any other matter they fumble with, the taxpayer will continue paying more and higher taxes. And paying. And paying. And paying.

That is one piece of information "you can take to the bank".

VERY BAD IDEA

The Texas Lottery Commission cleared their former executive director of all wrong doing last week and then came up with an idea that will kill the success of the lottery or at least put it in intensive care.

The three person panel that fired its first director Nora Linares early in January, decided to settle her lawsuit against them by officially clearing her of misconduct while she headed the agency.

The board later discussed an idea that could spell very bad news for the successful multi-million dollar Texas lottery. Came from new commissioner John Hill, late of the Supreme Court and before that our Attorney General. A guy who has been around state government

long enough to know better.

Hill is asking the agency to investigate the possibility of having the lottery commission operate the number's games "in-house" using state employees to manage the massive project.

Sort of a do-it-yourself type endeavor.

Handling the Texas lottery without the expertise that comes from years of experience is asking for trouble. This is one job that needs to be privatized. Most states that run their own programs find the learning curve is long and slow and during the early years scandals tend to erupt, confidence erodes and sales dwindle.

There are a number of companies in the nation that operate lotteries. Most do a fine job. If we are not happy with our current operator then we can get another one within 30 days according to the current contract.

Hill's idea is a bad one and needs to be deep-sixed.


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Scott & White exhibit open at Bell Co. Museum March 1


"A Fine Spirited Partnership: 100 Years of Scott and White" opens March 1 at the Bell County Museum on Main St. in Belton. The exhibit explores the development of this Bell County medical institution.

Dr. Raleigh R. White IV will be a guest speaker at a reception marking the opening of the exhibit 4-6 p.m. March 1. There will be refreshments and tours of the exhibit.

The exhibit, which is a joint project between the Bell County Museum and the Scott and White Archives, will be open March 1- Sept. 30.

The exhibit and reception are open to the public. The reception is sponsored by the Scott and White Centennial Observance Office, hosted by Scott and White Pioneers.

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Crime victims' rights laws help both families and law enforcement

by Dan Morales
 Texas Attorney General

CRIME VICTIM rights laws have helped both the public and law enforcement. Recently, my office heard from Officer Jim Gillis of the Lockhart Police Department, who wrote, "Before the passage of crime victim rights laws, police officers were often frustrated. We didn't have the time or resources to help crime victims." Officer Gillis, like many law enforcement officials, feels that he can now more effectively serve the public.

That's a step in the right direction, and we at the Office of the Attorney General, in concert with Texas law enforcement agencies, will continue to do all we can to help innocent victims through the difficult aftermath of a crime.

Article 56.04

Since 1989, every law enforcement agency in the state has been required to provide crime victim assistance under Article 56.04 of the Code of Criminal Procedure. It is a service appreciated by victims and others in the criminal justice profession.

Police officers and sheriff's deputies now give information to victims at the scene of the crime. The law makes law enforcement officials as sensitive to the rights of the victim as they are to those of the defendant.

In addition, every law enforcement agency in the state is also required to have a Crime Victim Liaison to ensure that victims are afforded their rights when their cases are in

the investigative stage.

Every agency is mandated to provide victims a written notice informing them of their rights. These include the right to be referred to programs for assistance, and to be told about exercising their right to be notified, present and heard when their cases enter the trial stage.

The CVC Fund

One important resource offered is the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund, which is administered by my office. Eligible victims and their families can get help with medical expenses such as hospital and counseling bills, lost wages, or funeral and burial costs. To fund the program, court clerks in every county collect fees from criminal offenders. Additional funds come from prisoners' probation charges, voluntary donations, court-ordered payments for losses and matching federal funds.

One misconception is that an offender needs to be arrested, tried and convicted for the victim to be eligible for compensation. That is not true. To determine whether a crime victim is eligible for benefits, my staff needs just a police report showing that the crime occurred and the victim was not responsible for the crime.

Critical role of law enforcement

As the first contact with victims, law enforcement plays a critical role in getting information about crime victims' compensation applications to victims as soon after the crime as possible. My office has a number of resources to help law enforcement agencies meet

this mandate, including sample written notices, training courses, brochures, applications and palm cards describing crime victims' compensation and victim rights.

As Attorney General, I know that all Texans have a lot to gain when law enforcement officials are on the front line of victim assistance. By demonstrating a concern for crime victims, police officers can motivate all citizens to report crimes and willingly act as witnesses. Your cooperation improves police capability to investigate and solve crimes and put offenders behind bars, where they belong.

For more information

If you would like more information, contact your local law enforcement agency's Crime Victim Liaison, your district attorney's Victim Assistance Coordinator, or call the Crime Victims' Compensation Division at (800) 983-9933. You may also write to:

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Spring training should be in Texas

by John Sharp
Texas Comptroller

Major League baseball teams are gathering for the annual rite of spring training. The thrill of the grass, the arc of the long ball, the roar of the crowd -- all this and more -- will suddenly fill the air.

Unfortunately, it won't be Texas air.

Once again, The Texas Rangers have reported to their training camp in Port Charlotte, Florida. The Houston Astros are down the road a piece at their longtime facilities in Kissimmee. In fact, 20 of the 28 Major League teams are spending their spring training budgets in the Sunshine State, while the remaining eight teams are out west, helping to boost the economy of Arizona.

After a couple of weeks to get in shape, the teams will get down to the heart of the order-30 games each played before fans numbering as high as 15,000 per game. And communities for hundreds of miles around will begin counting their profits.

Baseball's spring training is now a multimillion dollar industry. In Florida, officials estimate that nearly \$300 million is pumped into the economy each year by the ball clubs and their stars, as well as thousands of local fans and families from around the country who plan their vacations around the crack of the bat and crackerjacks. In Arizona, a recent report showed that spring training contributes nearly \$150 million a year from retail and other sales.

Recently, I spoke to both Texas Rangers General Manager Tom Schieffer and Houston Astros owner Drayton

McLane about bringing spring training back to Texas. They agree it's a good idea. So does State Representative Rene Oliveira of Brownsville, who has taken the lead with legislation to make the dream a reality. His efforts are strongly supported by State Senator Eddie Lucio and a number of other South Texas leaders.

Here's why the idea makes such dollars and sense. Temperate climate? South Texas is unsurpassed. Potential market? The area bounded by Corpus Christi, Laredo, McAllen, Edinburg, and Brownsville has a population of nearly 1.5 million--about 236,000 per team in a six-team league, or roughly comparable to Florida and Arizona, not including our 2 million neighbors across the border in Nuevo Laredo, Reynosa, Matamoros, and many millions more in Monterrey.

In addition, the Rio Grande Valley is one of the fastest-growing regions in the country. Snowbirds from the north are already an economic force, and visitors from the south only add to the feasible fan base spring training in Texas could build.

Besides, as Yogi Berra might say, the whole thing would be *deja vu* all over again. Before the successful lobbying efforts of Florida and Arizona, Major League ball clubs came to the Lone Star State each spring, from the New York Giants a century ago to the great Homestead Grays of the Negro League in the 1930s to the Washington Senators as recently as the 1960s.

"Whoever wants to know the heart and mind of America had better learn baseball," the French philosopher Jacques

Barzun once noted.

Well, I'm no philosopher. But as the state's chief financial officer, I guarantee that Texas would hit an economic home run if our proposal to bring spring training to the Rio Grande Valley gets past first base.

(For other recommendations from State Comptroller John Sharp, read *Disturbing the Peace: The Challenge of Change in Texas Government*, his fourth comprehensive performance review of state government, available by calling 1-800-232-8927 toll-free or writing: Texas Performance

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Salado High School Varsity Eagles Basketball Team. (photo by John Eubanks)

Eagles runners-up in District play to face Academy in first round

by John Eubanks

The Salado boys basketball program earned its first playoff appearance in 11 years by virtue of a 62-59 win over the Holland Hornets Feb. 14 in the regular season finale.

The Eagles will play state-ranked Academy, the District 25-2A champ, in a bi-district playoff game at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 20 at Temple College. Tickets are available at the gym, and cost \$3 for adults and \$2 for students.

The Eagles ended the regular season with records of 19-10 overall and 9-3 in district. They played Class 3A Dripping Springs (14-15) in a warmup game Feb. 17 in Georgetown. Results were unavailable at press time.

Salado's boys have not been to the playoffs since the 1985-86 season when they finished as district co-champs and lost to Snook in the first round of the Class A playoffs. It was the final season for Salado in Class A and the final year for Rance Dulaney as head coach.

Salado had gone to the playoffs the previous season after winning the district outright, and Dulaney said he had been told that it was the first time in nine years that Salado had done so. Dulaney still teaches

at Salado High.

Salado coach Alan Haire, who was a sophomore at Salado High in 1986, said he had a bunch of good kids to work with this season.

Asked if the playoffs had been a goal this season, he said, "When you go into the season you shouldn't expect not to go to the playoffs. You wouldn't want to expect anything less."

As for the Academy Bumblebees, ranked sixth in the state and sporting a 30-2 record, Haire has the usual respect for them. He said they have a "solid starting five. You can't focus on one." But, he added, "In the playoffs, we're all 0-0."

Haire said Academy's 5-10 junior point guard Kyle Spanhel "keeps them going," and 6-5 Jessie Van Sickle is their tallest player and only senior starter. Spanhel and 6-4 junior Ryan Ehler, who spells Van Sickle, both scored 14 points in a 48-45 non-district win over Salado Dec. 10 in Academy.

See Eagles, Page 7A

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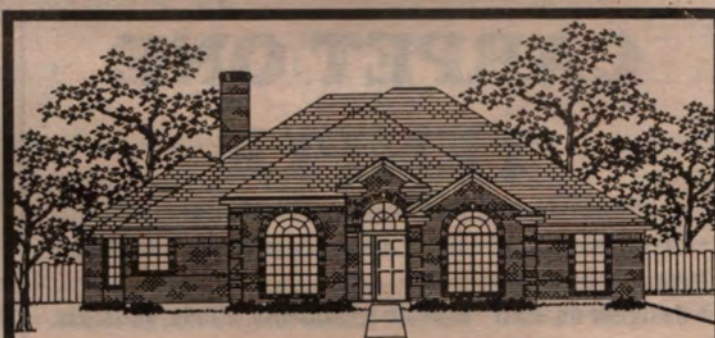
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Eagles

FROM Page 6A

Salado's win over Holland, which broke a two-game losing streak, kept the Eagles from tying Florence for third place and prevented a district playoff game between the two.

The Eagles led 21-12 after the first quarter as Chris Michna scored eight of his team-high 15 points in that opening period.

Salado extended a 39-26 halftime lead to 48-37 entering the fourth period, when Holland outscored Salado 22-14 and hit a three-pointer at game's end.

David Kirk and Kurt Salisbury each added 12 points and combined to hit 15 of 16 free throws. In all, Salado hit 27 of 44 free throws.

Prior to the Holland game, the Eagles were coming off an 85-65 loss at home Feb. 11 to league-leader Rogers (21-10, 12-0).

Rogers' Eagles, who play Riesel Feb. 20 in bi-district in Waco, had defeated Salado in the first round, also by 20 (73-53). They led from start to finish the second time, using their press to convert several Salado turnovers into fast-break buckets.

Rogers used some red-shot shooting during a 28-point second quarter to extend a 17-8 first-quarter lead to 45-27 at halftime.

Salado's 20-point loss came despite scoring its most points this season. Rogers had four players score in double figures and controlled the boards behind the play of 6-8, 255-pound junior Kyle Eaton and a handful of other hosses.

"We played well in the last six games," Rogers' first-year coach Mike Kusler said, when asked if this was as good a game his team had played. "They were fired up to go undefeated in district."

The game featured 14 three-pointers, eight by Salado. Kurt Salisbury and Shawn Mitchell each had four. Salisbury finished with 20 points. Mitchell had 18.

Chris Michna and David Kirk each had 11 points.

Two Rogers players also shared their team's three-pointers. Ryan Poff, who led all scorers with 24 points, had three three-pointers, as did Brandon Hebert, who scored 19 points. Eaton added 17, and David Schneider added 10.

Eaton gave his team its biggest lead, 82-52, with 4:14 left, after scoring a basket and hitting a free throw to complete a three-point play. Eaton, who had altered or blocked several shots, had drawn the fourth foul by Mitchell, one of at least three Eagles to draw their fourth foul in the fourth period.

JUNIOR VARSITY

The Salado JV lost to Rogers 33-30 as Rogers outscored Salado 14-8 in the fourth period. Salado shot no free throws in that final period; Rogers hit two of five.

Eric Mentzel had eight points. Josh Clements had six. The JV ended the season Feb. 14 with a 35-34 win over Holland. Troy Smith had 13 points.

First-year JV coach Randy Fewell said it was a good year. See Eagle Cagers, Page 10A



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Source: American Health, May 1996

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Source: The Physician and Sportsmedicine, May 1996.

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Brown, one of the founders of the Chisholm Trail Repub-

lican Women's Organization, has served as Chairman of the Republican Party of Bell County Precinct 203 and a member of the Executive Board of the Party for a number of years.

She was named Volunteer of the Year for the Republican Party of Bell County on three occasions, was nominated for Volunteer of the Year for her Senatorial District on three occasions, and was named Volunteer of the Year in Senatorial District 24 in 1995. She was honored at the Tribute to Women at the State Republican Party Convention in 1994 and 1996. She has served as a delegate to county and state conventions of the Republican Party many times.

Brown, a longtime member of Central Texas Republican Women, has served as a delegate to Texas Federation of Republican Women state conventions in 1991, 1993, and 1995. She attended the National Federation of Republi-

can Women's Convention in 1995 as an alternate. She was nominated as one of Ten Outstanding Republican Women of Texas in 1993 and 1995. She received a first place award in 1995 for a program she designed for Chisholm Trail RW at the National Federation of Republican Women's biennial convention and worked in campaigns.

Brown has served on steering committees for all candidates whose names appeared on the ballot in Republican Party Primaries in Precinct 203.

She has received commendations from Presidents Reagan and Bush, from Gov. George W. Bush, from Railroad Commissioner Carole Keeton Rylander, and from Senators Kay Bailey Hutchison and Phil Gramm.

Brown serves on a number of Boards in Bell County and is well-known for her volunteer work in Salado.

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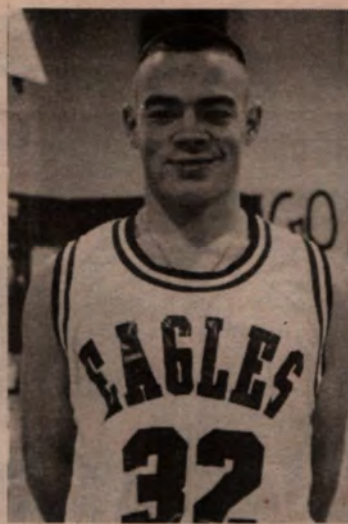
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FROM Page 7A

"It started out slow and wound up with lots of improvement. We set a good foundation for next year."

PLAYOFF NOTES: Salado will be the home team against Academy. Haire urges fans to get to the game early. The Temple College gym has an upper level on one side and a lower level on the other. TC basketball coach Kirby Johnson said there will likely be signs to show fans where to sit. The TC gym is located across the road from the college's main campus.

The winner will play the winner of the game between District 27-2A champ Weimar and the District 28-2A runner-up, either Industrial or Ganado, who played Feb. 17.

Academy coach Jon Youngblood said his team's 30 wins is a school record. Concerning the three-point win over Salado in December, he said, "Salado played us as good as anyone. We'd have rather (the game) be in the 70s, and coach Haire would rather be in the 50s."

Both schools were in the same district the previous two seasons. "It's a pretty good rivalry between the schools. Our kids play their kids in summer league and see each other around town. We're expecting a tough game."

Five Bumblebees average double figures, led by sixth man Ehler (12.9 ppg). Youngblood calls point guard Spanhel the team's catalyst.



No. 10 Taylor Hutton



No. 30 Chris Michna



Salado's David Kirk (42) watches the ball (atop basket's rim) during the Eagles' Feb. 11 loss to Rogers as 6-foot Kurt Salisbury and Rogers' 6-8 Kyle Eaton eye it, too. (Photo by John Eubanks)

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PHOTO NOTE: Salado Eagle Shawn Mitchell's photo does not appear in this issue because it was not taken during photo day. He also does not appear in the team photo. Also, Lady Eagle Marissa Scully's photo did not appear in the Feb. 12 issue because she was not on the varsity when photos were taken.

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Mike Cameron, Mill Creek Golf Pro, is shown above with the new golf bags for Salado High School golf teams. Cameron donated the bags for the boys golf team. Ricky Preston, not pictured, gave the golf bags for the girls golf team. Salado High School golf teams began competition this week. Fourteen boys signed up to play golf: Blake Cameron, Josh Elliott, Matt Fisher, Ryan Hodge, Neal Holtzclaw, Chad Kiphart, Ashley Jones, Eric Lopez, Shawn Mitchell, Ryan Morris, Kurt Salisbury, Troy Smith, Beau Wallace and Adam Williams. Seven girls have signed up for golf: Mollie Garne, Shellie Grimm, Jeni Hanson, Michelle Lenis, Lori Matthews, Amber Preston and Kristin Thompson. Last year, both golf teams won the District Championship. The teams are coached by Larry Salisbury. A schedule of tournaments appears in this issue. (photo by Tim Fleischer)

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Date	Location	Time
2/17	Burnet (Delaware Springs)	8:30 a.m.
3/3	Meridian Municipal	8:30 a.m.
3/6	Leander (Crystal Falls)	9 a.m.
3/18	Gatesville Municipal	9 a.m.
3/24	Whitney (White Bluff)	8 a.m.
3/31	Salado (Mill Creek)	8 a.m.
4/7	Temple (Wildflower) District Meet	8 a.m.
4/10	San Marcos (Quail Creek) Regionals	8 a.m.

1997 SHS Girls Golf Schedule

Date	Location	Time
2/18	Leander (Crystal Falls)	8:30 a.m.
2/24	Georgetown (Berry Creek)	9 a.m.
3/3	Burnet (Delaware Springs)	9 a.m.
3/5	Belton (Leon Valley)	8:30 a.m.
3/18	San Saba	9 a.m.
3/31	Salado (Mill Creek)	8 a.m.
4/7	Temple (Wildflower) District Meet	8 a.m.
4/10	San Marcos (Quail Creek) Regionals	8 a.m.

1997 SHS Varsity Track Schedule

Date	Location
3/1	Lexington
3/8	Salado
3/20	Rogers
3/27	Academy
4/5	Florence
4/10	District Meet (Florence)
4/25-26	Regional Meet at San Marcos
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Lunch will be held at 11:30 a.m. at Tablerock Amphitheater on Royal Street, followed by a 1 p.m. start at Mill Creek.

The \$50 entry fee covers green fees, cart, lunch & prizes.

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An awards ceremony will follow immediately after tournament. Refreshments will be served at the 19th hole.

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Members of the Region 8 Band from Salado High School are ((bottom row, from left) Annie Daniel, Jenny Karnes, Anna Kate Mackie; (top row, from left) Amie Dunn, Tigger Day, Adam Smith. (photo by John Eubanks)



Salado High School students qualifying for the Centex Honor Band are shown above. They are (bottom row, from left) Annie Daniel, Lisa Karnes, Victoria Edwards, Jenny Karnes and Tigger Day; (top row, from left) Adam Smith, Melodie Gilliam, Tiffany Higgenbothen and Amie Dunn. Not shown is Sam Daniel. (photo by John Eubanks)

Band members compete at region

Salado band students recently performed at the Regional and Central Texas levels, with several students being named to the bands.

Centex Honor Band

Ten Salado band students performed in the Central Texas Honor Band Feb. 18. Salado Band Students competed against other students from local 1A, 2A, and 3A schools.

Out of 12 Salado students competing, 10 made the Centex Bands and placed very high in all sections.

Members of the Honor Band came together Feb. 18 for an all-day rehearsal, followed by a concert that evening.

The following were named to the Symphonic Band: Annie Daniel, second chair flute; Lisa Karnes, fourth chair flute; Victoria Edwards, first chair bassoon; Jenny Karnes, first chair clarinet; Tigger Day, second chair French horn; Adam Smith, fifth chair trumpet and Melodie Gilliam, first chair mallets.

Named to the Concert Band were these: Sam Daniel, first chair bassoon; Tiffany Higgenbothen, third chair sax; Amie Dunn, fourth chair French horn.

Region 8 Band

Each year, every music region holds auditions for their own region band. This year, Region 8 held auditions in Waco, where over 500 students from the region's 1A, 2A and 3A high school competed for entry into two bands.

The following six Salado students made the cut!

Junior Annie Daniel, flute; Senior Jenny Karnes, clarinet; Freshman Anna Kate Mackie, clarinet; Senior Amie Dunn, French horn; Freshman Tigger Day, French horn; Junior Adam Smith, trumpet.

The Region 8 Bands rehearsed for two days and held a concert at Killeen High Feb. 1.

"Congratulation to all of the Salado band students who auditioned and chose to better themselves through this competition," said band director John Stafford.

Services held for Elizabeth Miller Oliver

Funeral services for Elizabeth (Beth) Miller Oliver were held at Heartfield Funeral Home in Belton Feb. 18 with Rev. J. Beaver, Pastor of First United Methodist Church of Belton, and her grandson Rev. Robert Oliver, officiating. Burial followed in the Mary Allen Oliver Three Forks Community Cemetery on FM 436.

Mrs. Oliver was born in Rosanky, TX Nov. 23, 1903, to Frank L. and Maggie Bedell Miller. She moved to Belton as a small child with her parents and their seven daughters and five sons. The family lived in the antebellum home built by Major Whitsett shortly after the Civil War. Her father was an engineer with the MK&T Railroad during the steam engine era.

She graduated from Belton High School in three years and attended Baylor College for Women (the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor). She married John W. Oliver May 14, 1922. She and her husband also ran a 200-acre farm for 65 years in the Three Forks com-

munity. She was preceded in death by her husband Col. John W. Oliver, Sr., US Army Retired, in 1990.

She was a member of the Three Forks Methodist Church where she taught Sunday School and Bible School. She later was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Belton, where she taught Sunday School and was a life member of the Woman's Society for Christian Service of the Methodist Church. She was a trustee of the Three Forks School, Parent-Teacher Association room mother for all four of their children and worked in various PTA projects. She was past Matron of the Belton Eastern Star Chapter.

She was a member of and held various offices in the Agnes Woodson Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Colonial Dames of the 17th Century and was a charter member of the American Legion Auxiliary Walton H. Walker Post 55. A charter member of the Belton Garden Club, she taught flower

arranging and organized and sponsored a Children's Garden Club at Southwest Elementary School. She was a member of the Three Forks Home Demonstration Club and held various offices in that club and in the Bell County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs. She sponsored the Girls 4-H Club in Belton High School.

Mrs. Oliver is survived by two brothers, Pat Miller of Shreveport, Louisiana, and H.N. (Horace) Miller, of Bellmead, Texas.

Survivors also include three sons, John W. (Jack) Oliver, Jr., of Salado, Ben D. Oliver, of Beaver, Oklahoma and M.M. (Mike) Oliver of Carlsbad, New Mexico and one daughter, Ann Brackin, of Belton.

Heartfield Funeral Home of Belton was in charge of arrangements. Memorials can be made to the Bell County Museum, the Genealogy Department of Belton Public Library of the First United Methodist Church of Belton.

Calling It Quits stop smoking sessions set

Hillcrest Baptist Medical Center's Department of Preventive Medicine will offer "Calling It Quits," a comprehensive, physician-directed, nine-session course for individuals interested in quitting smoking. Classes begin with a free introductory session 6-7:30 p.m. March 13 and continue March 17-21, 24, 27 and 31.

The classes will be held in the Getterman Wellness Center Community Room, Hillcrest Clinic on Highway 6 & Bosque.

The main objective of the course is to provide smokers with the tools to develop new habits and change their behavior. Stephanie Taylor, Preventive Medicine Coordinator,

will teach participants how to control smoking urges, manage stress and maintain a proper weight. Other topics will include the effects of sidestream smoke and the use of alternative nicotine products.

The cost of the program is

\$65 for C.R.E.S.T. Card members, \$80 for nonmembers, and corporate discounts are available upon request. Reservations are necessary as class size is limited. For more information or to register, please call the Hillcrest Information Line at (817) 756-HBMC.

Local ABWA to honor Woman of Year Feb. 25

The Chisholm Trail Chapter American Business Woman's Association will honor its Woman of the Year and their Business Associates 6:30 p.m. Feb. 25 at the Allen Meeting Hall on the grounds of Inn at Salado.

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Services held for Ola Mae Means

Funeral services for Ola Mae Means, of Belton, were held in the First Presbyterian Church in Belton Feb. 13 with Dr. Mark Salmon and Minister Joe Baisden officiating. Burial followed in the North Belton Cemetery.

Mrs. Means died Feb. 11 in a Belton Nursing Home.

Ola Mae Means was born in Paul's Valley, Oklahoma, to William Calvin Cook and Charlotte Brock Cook. She graduated from Rogers High

School and attended Mary Hardin-Baylor. She taught school in Rogers for two years.

She married Victor Rather Means, Sr., in June 1923. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Belton for 73 years. She was an active member of the Women of the Church and the Jane Tulloch Circle. She was a long-time member of the Women's Wednesday Club.

Mrs. Means is survived by one son, Victor Rather Means, Jr., of Salado; two daughters,

Gloria Means Woodall, of College Station and Frances Means Utley, of Salado and one brother, William Calvin Cook, Jr., of Arlington.

She is also survived by 10 grandchildren, 22 great grandchildren and 4 great-great grandchildren.

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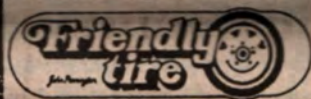
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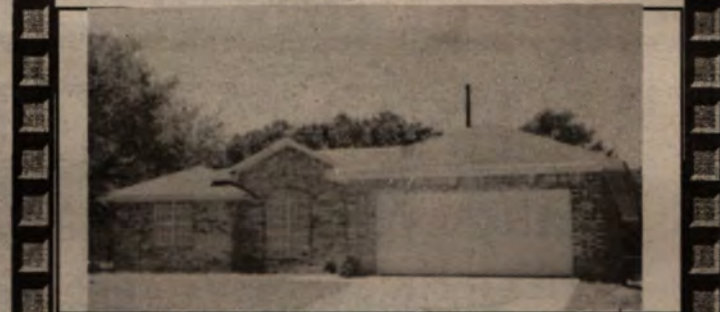
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2/27 & 3/1	at Gatesville Tournament	JV, V	TBA
3/4	at Belton JV & Fresh	JV, V	5-7 p.m.
3/6-7	Salado JV Tournament	JV	TBA
3/7	at Bartlett	V	6 p.m.
3/10-12	Salado Tournament	V	TBA
3/18	Rosebud-Lott	JV, V	5-7 p.m.
3/21	Florence*	JV, V	5-7 p.m.
3/25	at Rogers*	JV, V	5-7 p.m.
3/27	Hutto*	JV, V	5-7 p.m.
4/1	at Jarrell*	JV, V	5-7 p.m.
4/4	at Waco Vanguard	JV, V	4:30-6:30 p.m.
4/8	Lago Vista*	V	7 p.m.
4/11	at Holland*	JV, V	5-7 p.m.
4/15	at Florence*	JV, V	5-7 p.m.
4/18	Rogers*	JV, V	5-7 p.m.
4/22	at Hutto*	JV, V	5-7 p.m.
4/25	Vanguard	V	6 p.m.
5/6	at Lago Vista*	V	7 p.m.
5/9	Holland*	JV, V	5-7 p.m.

* District Games
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 Randy Fewell, Junior Varsity Coach

Eagles hardballers ranked #5

by Melvin Bates

A No. 5 state ranking in the preseason poll and a starting date for practice later than most local schools, places unnecessary pressure on the year's Salado Eagles baseball team.

The Eagles are scheduled to open the season Feb. 22 at Copperas Cove. The first home game will be during the Salado Tournament March 10-12.

The preseason poll really reflects on what the Eagles have done in the past (three consecutive district championships, a bi-district win in 1994, and advancing to regionals last year).

The poll also considers the current team's potential. The Eagles have six starters returning from last year's 20-8 regional finalist.

A large amount of the team's success will again fall upon the shoulders of Chris Frazier. He was the district MVP last year and was a

Mizzuno All-American pitcher. Chris had a 15-2 record with 174 strikeouts in 117 innings. He also hit .329 and led last year's team with 23 RBIs.

There will be plenty of support for Frazier. Roger Buckley, a first-team all-district pitcher, also returns. He was 3-1 in district last year for the Eagles. Roger also was last year's starting shortstop and hit around .250.

Paul Mashburn is the Eagles' third returning first-team all-district performer. He represented Salado at second base. Paul hit .290 on the season and played sound defense.

David Kirk was a second-team all-district selection at first base in '96. Kirk hit .300 last season and scored 22 runs for the Eagles. More will be expected of David this year, as he switches to catcher and will be asked to lead the Eagles defense.

Senior Clint Carroll is also a returning starter for Salado. He spent most of last year at third base. He also helped out on the mound.

Senior Chris McGregor returns for his third year of varsity ball and his second as a full-time starter. Chris is an excellent defensive outfielder.

Jon Phelps is a returning letterman from last year's squad. He will compete for an infield position and should see some time on the mound.

Moving up from the junior varsity and competing for playing time will be Courtney Dodge, Drew Oldham, Dan Alcozer, Chris Michna and Adam Nuse.

The Eagles return a strong pitching staff and should be very strong defensively. Salado will have to improve on their offense in order to advance as far as they did last year.



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Focus on Fitness is theme of annual heart health fair slated for Feb. 22

The third annual heart health fair will be 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Feb. 22 at Temple Mall. The event, titled "Focus on Fitness" is sponsored by Scott & White in conjunction with the American Heart Association.

"Each year during February — American Heart Month, healthcare professionals nationwide focus on educating the public about heart health and disease," said Peggy Lane, Executive Director of the American Heart Association, Texas Affiliate. "We are joining Scott and White to present this heart health fair to help promote this effort."

Kellie Krause, health educator at the Scott and White Options for Health Department, and coordinator of the event, said, "This year's focus will be on 'total body fitness' — both physical and nutritional." She noted that displays, demonstrations and presentations by health professionals "will be geared toward topics on exercise, diet, nutrition, healthy lifestyles, stress reduction, etc., in an effort to help participants live a more 'heart healthy' life."

According to Kate Darnell, Business Development Manager at Scott and White, and co-chair of the fair— "There will be less emphasis on the pure clinical aspects of heart health and greater consideration given to overall fitness."

A fitness test will be conducted to enable the participant to develop a personal "Heart Fitness Score." Testing includes blood pressure screening, body composition, flexibility, a three-minute step test, and a sit-up test. Free on-site cholesterol screenings will also be available.

"To help demonstrate that fitness can be fun and energizing, students from area schools will be performing aerobic, gymnastic and dance routines," explained Darnell. "The young people will also participate in "Jump Rope For Heart," a program designed and sponsored by the American Heart Association."

Educational stations and demonstrations will also include information on sports medicine, stroke, 'Mall Walkers', emergency medical services, smoking cessation and general heart information.

Krause noted that "exercise and heart healthy eating habits are two of the key factors in reducing a person's risk of heart disease."

The Scott and White Food and Nutrition Department will provide information, materials and demonstrations on heart healthy cooking and eating. Samples of low-fat foods will be available. Also, educational information on smoking cessation will be provided at the fair by members of the Scott and White Respiratory and Pulmonary Departments.

Members of the Scott and White Emergency Medical Services, and the Scott and White helicopter Medivac 1 Air Ambulance Service will be available to answer questions and demonstrate equipment.

"One of every two Americans dies of heart disease — a life every 34 seconds," stressed Dr. Linley E. Watson, Director of the Division of Cardiology at Scott and White. He notes that "the number one killer in this nation is cardiovascular disease. Education and research are two of the key factors in reducing a person's risk of heart disease."

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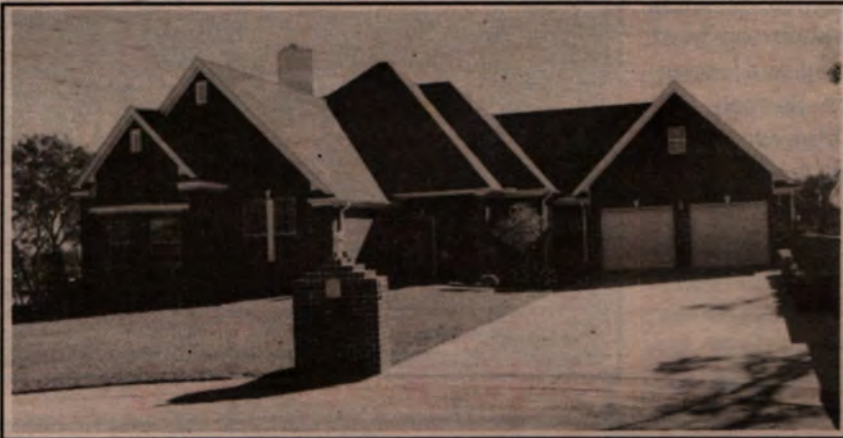
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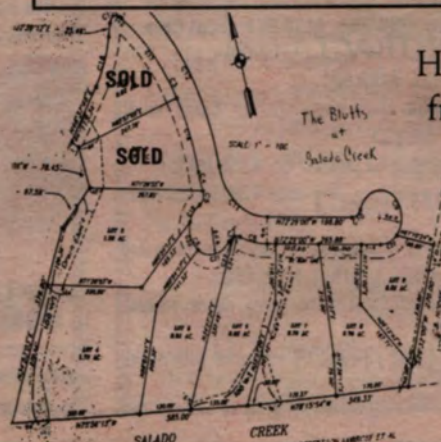
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The Rose Mansion at #1 Rose Way. (photo by John Eubanks)

Rose Mansion reminiscent of Grandma's

by John Eubanks

A visitor to the kitchen of the Rose Mansion bed and breakfast on Rose Way in Salado said it reminded him of his grandmother's kitchen.

"That's what everyone says," co-owner Carole Hunter remarked.

She and husband Neil Hunter have owned the place since August, after purchasing it from George Kolb. They had been looking to buy a B&B, having sold one in Calvert last May.

"We came here in June for our anniversary and found out it was for sale," she said.

They bought it as is, "right down to the salt and pepper shakers," Carole said, adding that Kay Kelley is still the innkeeper. "It was a B&B for eight years. All we had to do was be here and start working real hard."

The best thing about it all was simply making it happen.

The toughest thing? "The hard work and the early hours," she answered. "I hate to get up,

but I do it now."

She's reluctant to say she loves it all, not wanting to sound *mooshey*. But she does.

"I love doing this," she said. "You need to love it or you wouldn't like doing it at all. It's seven days a week."

A home away from home? "It has to be," she said.

Besides the B&B in Calvert, the Hunters had one in Jackson, La., just north of Baton Rouge.

"We discovered this B&B after we had our own," she said. "It was as wonderful as I thought it would be. When we found out it was for sale, we couldn't believe it. This is re-

ally what we were looking for."

The Hunters had been coming to Salado for years, staying at the Stagecoach Inn when their kids were little. They're finally here for good.

"It's another dream come true," she said. "We prefer See Rose Mansion, Page 2B

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Rose Mansion

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small towns and this kind of life. Our children were grown and we could move."

Neil is a banker in their hometown of Athens and heads to Salado on the weekends. They hope to retire here.

Carole said the B&B had bookings through last December, which made the buying decision easier.

"We have as much business as we can handle," she said. "We plan to build a couple of more cottages."

The B&B is named after Maj. A.J. Rose, who built the house in 1870. It remained in the Rose family for more than a hundred years.

Four rooms are available in the main house, three of which are upstairs. Another room is available behind the house in the Summer Kitchen Cottage.

The nearby Chester House, which Kolb had moved to the property, has three private bedrooms (and baths) named after Maj. Rose's daughters: Alice's Room, Beatrice's Room and Callie's Room.

Then there's the Garrison Cabin, which was moved here from Little River. It's named after the family of Ma Ferguson, the first woman governor of Texas.

"This was interesting because this cabin was on her family's property," Carole said. "She was a Garrison."

A framed piece of literature in the cabin says it's one of the oldest log structures in Bell County.

The 10th room available is George's Cabin, a cozy place (perhaps for a writer to put the finishing touches on the latest best-seller?) which Kolb built for himself as a weekend retreat before building a house.

There are no TVs or telephones in the rooms, although a television is located in the kitchen area and portables are available.

"We try to keep it as authentic as possible," Carole said.

There's a windmill and sistrin sitting on the grounds. A lazy swaying hammock hangs between them.

Nearby is the open area where the two additional cottages will be built.

That will come later. For now, there are guests to be taken care of and morning meals to fix. Breakfast is served buffet style in the dining room that separates the living area from the kitchen.

And near the kitchen door that leads out back is a picture, dated Dec. 2, 1988, of the B&B's first customers.

"We got to meet them for the first time last December," Carole said. "They're very enjoyable. A nice couple. They make reservations for years in advance."

REPORTER'S FOOTNOTE: As I stepped into the Garrison Cabin, Carole asked me if I had heard of Ma Ferguson, the first woman governor of Texas.

"Oh, yeah," I said. "A picture of her hangs in the bathroom at the office."

I doubt I'll ever forget that face.

Chamber of Commerce board discusses issues during meeting

by John Eubanks

The Salado Chamber of Commerce board of directors met Feb. 10 to deal with a variety of subjects affecting the village.

The nine members present, including president Tim Fleischer, gave the board the needed quorum to conduct extensive business.

Treasurer Eldon Miller updated the board on its financial situation. He said the Chamber has a balance of \$14,008.88 as of Jan. 31. In addition, there are two certificates of deposit: one of \$11,478.95 that matures June 19, the other of \$11,153.41 that matures March 1. Both are earning interest at a rate of 4.75 percent.

The board also heard that the Chamber's annual banquet

last month lost \$155.13.

Suzanne Petro, head of the Chamber's Business Association, said she heard two "major criticisms" about the banquet: that it should be held in a nicer place than the school cafeteria, and that it should be held during the week, not the weekend.

It was pointed out that the banquet was held at the same time as the Mill Creek Golf and Country Club meeting.

Petro was assigned by Fleischer to chair a committee that will look into improving future banquets.

Fleischer suggested two possible speakers: Liz Carpenter (who worked with President Johnson and his wife) and Bob Phillips, host of the television show Texas Country Reporter.

The board also heard a report on the Salado Cemetery from Mary Belle Brown, president of the Friends of the Salado Cemetery Association and the Salado Cemetery Association Inc.

Brown asked the board to consider taking on the cemetery as a personal project and to provide funds for its continuation.

She said the cemetery has gravesites dating back to 1856, with some possibly older. At the present rate, she said, the cemetery could be out of space in three or four years.

Fleischer asked Darrell

Street to chair a committee to examine the situation. Brown and chamber director Dr. Douglas Willingham will also be on the committee.

The board also heard committee reports on the Quilt Show, the Antique Show and the Ambassadors.

The Quilt Show, set for Feb. 28-March 1, is expecting 100 entries this year, compared to 82 last year.

Refreshment booths for the Antique Show have been taken care of, and work is under way on securing a large tent.

Petro said the Business Association has 68 members and is nearing its goal of 75. She also said the group has suggested creating a Trail of Lights through Pace Park as a way to raise money to counter the increasing costs of the Christmas Stroll. Admission could be charged or sponsorships could be garnered.

It was suggested by one member to ask for donations rather than charge a fee.

Fleischer updated the board on the COPS program, where a former deputy sheriff would be contracted by the Village to coordinate and promote the program. Fleischer said a legal contract must be drawn up first.

He said the Ladies Auxiliary has donated \$1,000 to help pay for the contract for the retired deputy. So far, \$7,000 has been committed.

**Salado
Antique Mall**

CORRECTION: Salado Antique Mall, which is adjacent to Salado Haus, is owned and operated by Jimmy Murchison. Jim and Kate Garrett own the building and originally opened the SAM. Information in the Feb. 12 edition of the Salado Village Voice, concerning a story on Salado Haus, was incorrect.



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Salado's Marissa Scully (right) guards a Riesel player during the Lady Eagles' bi-district playoff win Feb. 14. (Photo by John Eubanks)

Lady Eagles advance to area round

by John Eubanks

The Salado Lady Eagles advanced to the area round of the girls state basketball playoffs with a sweet 73-49 Valentine's Day victory Feb. 14 over the Riesel Lady Indians at McGregor.

The Lady Eagles (26-5) played Flatonia's Lady Dogs (22-10) Feb. 18 in an area-round game in Taylor. Results were unavailable by press time. The winner advances to the regional tournament Feb. 21-22 at St. Edward's University in Austin.

Two games are set Feb. 21 for 6 and 8 p.m., with the championship game set for the following afternoon at a time yet to be determined.

The Salado-Flatonia winner will play the winner of the game between Navarro (19-10) and Karnes City (20-10) in the first round of the regional tournament.

Jarrell, which finished second to Salado in District 26-2A, played Bloomington (28-5) Feb. 18. If Jarrell (21-4) and Salado advance to regionals, they would not play each other until the championship game.

Salado's last loss was to Jarrell Jan. 28. The last non-district loss came Dec. 31 to Class 3A playoff team Liberty Hill.

The win over Riesel came against a team that had won 25 of 29 games. The contest was all but decided in the first quarter, which ended with Salado leading 22-4.

"The first quarter was the deciding factor," coach Larry Salisbury said. "I think the kids were really focused. Their intensity level was as high as I've ever seen them."

Salado, using the press to its advantage, led 13-0 until Riesel scored with 3:37 left in the first quarter. But Salado couldn't buy a bucket early in the second period and didn't

score until the 4:46 mark of the eight-minute quarter.

Riesel cut its deficit to 28-18 with 1:23 left in the period, but Salado's Leah Davis hit a turnaround jumper with under five seconds to play in the half to give her team a 34-22 lead.

Salado began the second half with a 36-22 lead, after Chrystal Whiteley hit two free throws at the start of the half because Riesel coach was assessed a technical foul as the first half ended.

The Lady Eagles extended their lead to 47-30 when Kathy Matthews scored after taking a great pass in the paint from Liz Boyd. That led to a Riesel timeout with 2:52 on the clock.

In the next minute and 44 seconds, Boyd would score three straight buckets to give Salado a 53-30 lead. The quarter ended with Salado up 53-33.

"We came out in the third quarter and kept playing well," Salisbury said. "We never let them back in."

Salado led 72-45 with 2:05 to play when Chrystal Whiteley drove hard from the top of the 3-point arc through the paint for a layup.

That led to some serious towel-popping on the Salado bench during the subsequent timeout.

The Lady Eagles took their biggest lead, 73-45, on a Carly Converse free throw with 1:55 to play.

Five Salado players scored in double figures, led by Boyd's 15. The others were Liz Whiteley (12), Chrystal Whiteley (11), Katie Punched (10) and Davis (10). Davis added eight rebounds.

Riesel's Alison Urbankle led all scorers with 30 points.



Bam-Bam

Chrystin Coe and Bam Bam took the Fine Wool Ram Championship ribbon in the breeding class at the recent Bell County Youth Fair. This is the second year to take Champion. Unlike the market class, breeding class animals cannot be auctioned. Chrystin Coe is a member of the Salado 4-H Club.



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The second-largest energy-user in virtually every home in Texas is the water heater, and winter is not the time of year to worry about running out of hot water. More and more Texans are using propane gas as an energy source for water and home heating, as well as cooking. And the Texas Railroad Commission has some tips on how to make a propane gas water heater last longer.

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at the bottom more effectively than a straight tube does. Removing sediment can help extend tank life.

Every six months, you should flush the tank by attaching a hose to the drain and letting the water run out for three to five minutes. This helps prevent sediment buildup. Check the manufacturer's instructions for the proper flushing procedure and location of the drain.

You should also check your water heater for a periodic tune-up. A certified service technician from your local propane supplier can examine the water heater and advise you on methods of safe and efficient operation.

And with cold weather marching through the state, the Railroad Commission suggests that consumers have their propane delivery accounts put on "automatic," so the tank is always kept full. That way, there will be an adequate supply of propane gas for water or home heating, as well as cooking, no matter how cold the weather or hazardous the driving conditions.

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Salado Alert

Attract barn owls (which consume up to 250 rodents a month) to your property by building them a barn owl box. Method: construct a box by using 1/2 inch plywood, 24 by 24 by 24 inches with a six-inch square opening placed 6 inches from the top and sides. Place the box 15 feet off the ground and somewhat away from, but overlooking, your yard.

Leaves provide a natural mulch for trees, hedges, shrubs, and plantings, so don't blow them all away.

Evergreen windbreaks installed on the north side of your house can reduce winter heating bills by as much as 20 percent.

Reduce summer air conditioning bills by planting deciduous (leaf shedding) trees on the south, west and southwest sides of your house.

Try scattering bay leaves on your pantry shelves to repel weevils and other bugs.

Be Alert! The Salado Alert is a public service of the Salado Historical Society Creek Preservation Committee and the Salado Village Voice. To learn more about the Creek Preservation Committee, call 947-5526.

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Spring is on its way, Daffodils, narcissus and Carolina jasmine are blooming. Flower and seed catalogues arrive daily. For gardeners it's time to plan, trim, fertilize, and prepare for their busiest time. While in the spring a young man's fancy turns to love, the gardener's fancies are of colorful wildflowers, blooming gardens, lush lawns and budding leaves. It's an exciting time.

Central Texans, are you going to work with Mother Nature this year and have an attractive green landscape with colorful plants that require less water, less energy and less mowing? For important information on flowers, shrubs and grasses that are heat and drought tolerant to plant in your xeriscaped garden, hasten to your LIBRARY and check out one of these books. Howard Garrett's Organic Gardening, Sally Waskowski's Landscaping with Native Texas Plants or Requiem for a Lawnmower. Do you have rocky thin soil like most of us? Look for Scott Ogden's Gardening with Difficult Soils.

Does a wildflower garden excite your interest? Eric Johnson's How to Grow Wildflowers is a helpful book. Do you plan an herb garden? There is a book for you. Information for almost everything a gardener needs to have a successful and rewarding garden can be found at the library.

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| 5A. Peddlers Alley | Behind Museum off Main | 817/947-9722 |
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School news

TAAS test dates

Salado students will be given the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) tests this month. The Writing portion of the test will be given Feb. 25 to Grades 4, 8, 10, and any 11th and 12th graders who have not mastered that section. The Math portion will be administered Feb. 26, and the Reading, Feb. 27 to 10th graders and any 11th and 12th graders who have not yet mastered those sections.

Testing will begin at 8 a.m. each day. Since make-up tests are not allowed, students are encouraged to be present and on time for tests.

Financial aid workshop canceled

The financial aid workshop which was scheduled for Feb. 20, at Salado High School has been canceled because of the boys basketball game at Temple College that night. Anyone needing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid may get one from Connie Fiebig at the high school.

SHS Student Council Silent Auction

The Salado High School Student Council has postponed its Silent Auction fund-raiser.

The Salado Varsity Eagles are scheduled to play against Academy in the first round of the play-offs Feb. 20, so the fund raiser was postponed.

A new date for the Silent Auction will be announced in the *Salado Village Voice*.

Reward offered

A reward is being offered for information leading to the return of two love-seat cushions missing from Vale's of Salado, located in the Salado Plaza.

Any person with information can call 947-8643

Salado ATPE meets to discuss projects

The Salado ATPE met for the first time Feb. 6 since organizing on Dec. 9, 1996. Several members were present and discussed business over a luncheon.

The group decided to have representation at each school board meeting. All of the officers will attend the next board meeting, and thereafter the members of ATPE will rotate as representatives.

Several different projects were discussed which might be helpful to the organization as well as the local community. Some of the projects which were discussed were a scholarship fund, a blood drive,

school supplies, donations, toys for tots and Special Olympics. Some of these projects will have to have long range planning, but they can be accomplished.

After having discussed and set some goals for projects, the group discussed fund raisers to finance them. Many things were discussed, but no specific plans were, inade.

If you are a teacher and want to be an encouragement to the teaching profession and get involved in projects to help your community, the Salado ATPE invites you to join and be a part of this local professional group.

Broadcasters address Lions

By John Eubanks

Broadcasters Lynn Woolley and Marsha Haney of KTEM-AM radio in Temple addressed the Salado Lions Club at their noon luncheon Feb. 12 at Mill Creek Country Club.

Woolley, part-owner and host of the station's morning talk show, has teamed with Haney, the station's news editor, to host the Children's Miracle Network Telethon on KCEN-TV for Scott & White Hospital the past 12 years.

They recalled the story of a kid who had part of his head blown off when a gun went off inadvertently during a convenience store robbery.

With help from the Children's Miracle Network, he underwent cosmetic surgery that restored the missing portion.

Their work with CMN has allowed them to meet some interesting people. Woolley even got to sing briefly with the Osmonds Brothers when they visited Temple. Accompanied by their humming, Woolley sang two lines of a song:

"Anytime you're feeling lonely, anytime you're feeling blue..."

That's all he knew.

Woolley, who's been in broadcasting for 30 years, gave Haney her first job in the business as a country music disc jockey some 15 years ago. She now serves as morning sports anchor, besides news editor.

Woolley, whose talk show on KTEM delves into politics extensively, said he never talks about the subject in public. "I speak about religion," he quipped.

He said laws have changed over the years to allow for the growth of talk shows. "I think

it's great to live in a country where you can express your opinion without fear of reprisal from anyone -- except advertisers," he said.

Responding to a question from a Lion whose daughter is studying broadcasting in college, Woolley said, "Tell her to learn to write. Learn the language."

"Get hands-on experience," added Haney.

After the program, Lions president Jim Patterson told the members that the next three programs would deal with the Salado Village Artists, the Institute for the Humanities and a local dance studio.

Patterson was then recognized by his fellow Lions for being named, along with his wife Wynell, Alumni of the Year at the Feb. 6 Winter Banquet of the Central Texas Chapter of the Baylor Alumni Association.

Patterson said someone asked him how much money it took to get the award. "It's strictly on looks," he said, drawing laughter.

The Lions also recognized Grace Jones, who received the Club Leadership Award for her work in recruiting new members during her first year as a member.

The Lions also inducted three new members (John Cole, Jeff McKinney and Les Derrick) and added a transfer from Uvalde (Bill Holland).

Patterson reminded the Lions about the March 22 workday at the Texas Lions Camp for children in Kerrville, the April 21 golf tournament and the April 23 picnic.

UPDATE: The Salado Lions have contributed more than \$2,800 since July 1, 1996, to the Texas Lions Camp, Texas Eye Bank and Lions Foundation.

Expo 97 Home & Garden show Feb. 22-23

Expo '97 -- Home & Garden Show will this year feature the largest assortment of exhibitors in the fourteen-year history of the show. One hundred and twenty-five exhibitors will be displaying their products and services to the some 10,000 Central Texans that are expected to attend this year's show. Last year's show attracted attendees from over ninety-five area cities and communities.

Expo '97 - Home & Garden Show will be held at the Bell County Expo Center in Belton 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Feb. 22, and noon to 5 p.m. Feb. 23. Admission will be \$3.50. Children 12 and under will be admitted free.

Some products and services exhibited in the show will include energy efficient and healthy items for the home, tile, wood flooring, carpet and rugs, windows and doors, decorative hardware, brick, appliances, lighting fixtures, concrete products, fireplaces and stoves, decorative and privacy fencing, pools, spas and hot tubs, shutters and blinds, and specialty household items. Many new products and services will be on display that have not previously been available in the Central Texas market. Plus live plants will be available for purchase.

Other items on display at the Home & Garden Show will include paintings and assorted artwork, furniture, automobiles, decorative laminates, kitchens, marble sinks and tubs, mirrors and other bathroom products, satellite TV, security systems, vacuum systems, water products, decorative items, closet products, cabinets and cabinet refinishing, carpet cleaning products, silver cleaning products, knives and cutting tools, patio enclosures and products, siding and roofing products and many other home improvement items.

A number of builders and remodelers will be on hand to show off their finished products and answer questions concerning home building and the home building industry. Developers will be showing off building lots that are available in the market. In addition, Realtors will be available to explain their services and to show homes that are for sale in the area.

Service industry exhibitors that will be at the show will include banks and mortgage companies, insurance, real estate, cable television and design and architectural services.

A Home Buying School will be presented to all ticket hold-

ers Feb. 22 at the show. Mortgage lenders, Realtors, property inspectors and builders will be serving as the instruc-

tors during the program. A portfolio of information will be handed out to participants, and those attending three or more

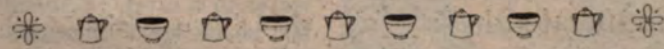
45-minute sessions will receive a diploma for their attendance at the school.

Seminars Feb. 23 will in-

clude gardening and landscaping topics. A complete listing of all seminars will be available at the show.



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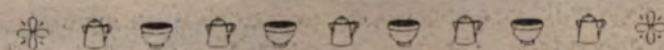


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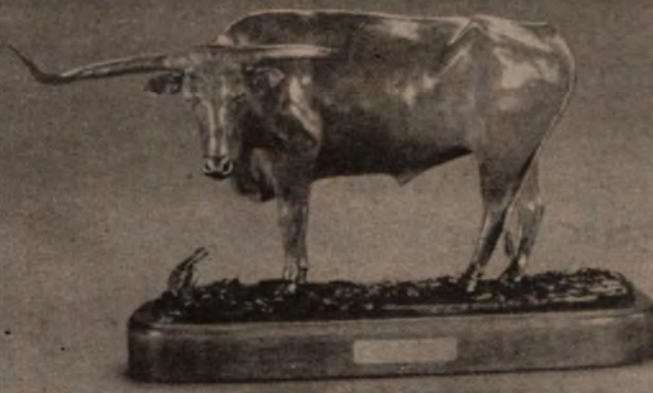
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This year, Salado High School's gifted students and interested honors students have been given a chance to explore the great art, literature, music and philosophy of the Western world through a historical based humanities course taught by Jeanne Moran.

Students have enjoyed Austin Lyric Opera's *The Magic Flute*, seminars and lectures at Salado's Institute for the Humanities, the recent movie version of *Romeo and Juliet* and several guest speakers.

Coming up are trips to the Michaelangelo exhibit at the Kimbell Museum in Ft. Worth on March 1 and to Bass Concert Hall in Austin for Austin Lyric Opera's production of *La Boheme* on March 9.

"This course is the kind of program that people like E.D. Hirsch Jr., author of *Cultural Literacy* and former Secretary of Education William Bennet are advocating. Hirsch calls this curricula the Core Knowledge plan," said Jeanne Moran "I have taught such a course before, and I believe such programs develop essential thinking skills as well as an appreciation of the world beyond students' immediate experiences. I truly appreciate our district for allowing me to develop and teach such a course."

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An underground sprinkler system also helps you save money on your water bill.

chure that you can pick up at your local Hardware or Home Center store, send it to Rain Bird and they will send you a design and list of needed parts for your yard. Or, you can call (800) RAIN-BIRD and they will send you the installation guide and H2Outline guide for free.

You will probably see several different brands of underground sprinkler systems in your local Home Center or Hardware store. Rain Bird is the world's largest irrigation company and more Rain Bird systems are in the ground than any other brand. It pays to buy a quality brand to insure you have minimal maintenance on your system in the future.

So, when you are making your project list for this spring, consider putting an underground sprinkler system in your yard. You'll be glad you did!

Salado school menu

Breakfast menu:

February 24-28

Mon., Feb. 24: Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich

Tues., Feb. 25: Pancakes.

Wed., Feb. 26: Breakfast Wrap.

Thurs., Feb. 27: Cinnamon toast & scrambled eggs.

Fri., Feb. 28: Sausage biscuits & gravy.

Lunch menu:

February 24-28

Mon. Feb. 24: Pizza, lettuce/tomato, corn, banana and

pudding, breadsticks.

Tues., Feb. 25: spaghetti & meatballs, pineapple & pudding, green beans, garlic biscuits.

Wed., Feb. 26: Hot dog & bun w/ chili & cheese, veggie stix & dip, French fries, apple crisp.

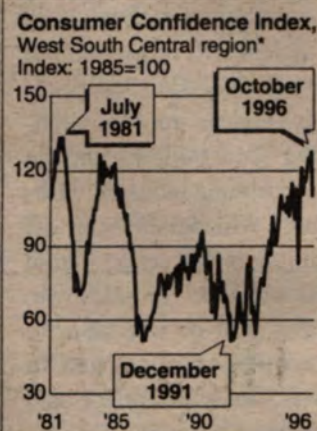
Thurs., Feb. 27: Steak fingers, baked potato wedge, country gravy, peas, oranges, dinner rolls.

Fri., Feb. 28: Hamburger on bun, French fries, lettuce/tomato/pickle/onion, fruit freeze bar.

Keeping an eye on Texas

Consumers positive about economy

Consumer confidence in Texas reached its highest point in 15 years in October 1996. In a survey of households in the West South Central region*, consumers were pleased about low unemployment, minimum inflation, and growth in wages. The positive response in regard to the present and future economic outlook in the region was measured at 127.6 points in October, far greater than the lowest point of 51.3 points in December, 1991.



*The West South Central region includes Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana

SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, and The Conference Board.



If you can't see the rear tires of the car in front of you at a stoplight, you're too close.

Saladoan to co-chair Committee on People with Disabilities

The Bell County Judge and Commissioner's Committee on People with Disabilities recently elected a new slate of officers for 1997, naming representatives of two area businesses to serve as Co-Chairs.

Peggy Cosner, Chief Executive Officer of B & W Development in Temple, and James Proctor, of Salado, employed with Mark VII Equipment Inc., were elected as Co-Chairs.

They replace Phillip T. Washburn, who chaired the committee for five years, and co-chair Susan B. Chambless.

Washburn and Chambless will coordinate production of the Barbara Jordan Awards May 16 at the Bell County

Expo Center.

The Bell County committee will host this major event in which the Texas Governor's Committee on People with Disabilities recognizes outstanding contributions by Texas media concerning issues affecting people with disabilities, Washburn said.

"This will be the first time for a non-urban committee to host this important awards ceremony, and the production will be a major undertaking," Washburn said.

"The Texas Governor's Committee on People with Disabilities has presented the Barbara Jordan Awards since 1983. They cover a variety of

media venues, including television, radio, audio/visual, photo journalism, print media, public relations, employment and special contributions," Chambless said.

"Our committee is very excited at this opportunity to honor Ms. Jordan's memory. When she died in January 1996, she was legend in politics and an inspiration to disabled people every where," she said.

Other 1997 Committee officers include Ty Tulloch, of Belton, Vice-Chair; Judy Morales, of Temple, Treasurer; Toni Gullekson, of Killeen and Larry Shelman, of Temple, secretaries.

Livestock Specialist says cattle inventory down 2% for 1996

by James M. Davis
Co. Ext. Agent

Dr. Ernie Davis, Extension Livestock Marketing Specialist reports that USDA released the January 1 U.S. cattle inventory as of Jan. 1, totaled 101.2 million head, down 2 percent from a year earlier. As expected, the report confirmed significant liquidation of breeding stock.

Total cows that have calved, in the U.S. as of Jan. 1, were estimated at 43.6 million head (down 2 percent from 1996's). Beef cows were down nearly 3 percent and the number of dairy cows declined 1 percent. Nationwide, the number of beef cows was the smallest since Jan. 1, 1994.

Low cattle prices and drought in Texas and surrounding states in early 1996 caused cow-calf operations to hold back fewer heifers for replacement purposes. The number of beef heifers weighing over 500 pounds reported as held for replacement purposes was just over 6 million head, the lowest since 1992.

The 1996 calf crop was estimated to be 39.6 million head, down 2 percent com-

pared to 1995. As of Jan. 1, estimated feeder cattle supplies outside feedlots were smaller than a year ago - the U.S. estimated feeder cattle supplies as of Jan. 1 was down about 3 percent or down just over 1 million head from a year earlier, but was up a little from two years ago.

Performance of cattle sold by commercial feedlots last Fall (October-December) was exceptional, according to the "Kansas State University Extension Animal Science and Cooperating Feedyards" monthly summaries. Cattle were on feed fewer days this past Fall compared to cattle sold during the same months in 1995.

Steers sold in December averaged 1237 pounds, 7 pounds below November's and 45 pounds below a year earlier, after 124 days on feed. Steers closed out a year earlier (December 1995) were on feed for 138 days.

Average daily gain (pounds per head per day), for steers at the cooperating commercial feedlots sold in December, was 3.57 pounds with a range of 3.40 to 3.80. That was a decline from the very good average

daily gains posted in October (3.71) and November (3.66), but was better than the average daily gain of 3.45 pounds for steers sold in December 1995. Heifers closed out in December posted an average daily gain of 3.26 pounds.

Average cost of gain (dollars per cwt. with 4 percent shrink) including feed, yardage, processing, medication and death loss (interest costs not included) was \$62.65 for steers and \$62.66 for heifers, sold in December 1996. Cost of gain was the lowest for any month since December 1995.

Excellent animal performance contributed to profitable cattle feeding returns last Fall. For cattle placed in January, projected cost of gain was near \$55 per cwt. Cost of gain is the lowest since early 1995 which has supported feeder cattle prices well above a few months ago and a year ago.

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Timely Tips on New Tax Advantages

When you sit down at the kitchen table to prepare your taxes this year, you'll probably be thinking, along with a lot of other people, that the trouble with being a breadwinner nowadays is that the government takes such a big slice.

But there is a small bit of good news: Tax legislation enacted in 1996 may make Uncle Sam's slice smaller in the future.

Here is a rundown on several of those new provisions:

* The Internal Revenue Code, in certain situations, now allows penalty-free withdrawals from Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) for reasons other than retirement.

Withdrawals now are allowed to pay medical bills for you, your spouse or your dependents, but only for expenses in excess of 7.5 percent of your adjusted gross income. Withdrawals also may be made without penalty by those who remain on unemployment insurance for at least 12 weeks; these withdrawals must be used to pay health-insurance premiums.

We're trying to add education costs and first-time home purchases to the list of penalty-free withdrawals.

* The self-employed will enjoy increased tax deductions for their health-insurance premiums. For the 1996 tax year, the deduction is established at 30 percent of premiums paid.

This deduction jumps to 40 percent for 1997 and will rise incrementally to 80 percent in 2006.

* Beginning this year, the terminally ill and chronically ill may obtain tax-free benefits, often referred to as "accelerated death benefits," from some life insurance policies. This provision contains strict guidelines defining chronic and terminal illness.

* Medical Savings Accounts (MSAs) are now available to a limited number of individuals allowing them beneficial savings plans to pay for their medical expenses. MSAs are tax-deferred savings accounts which are available to self-employed and employer groups of 50 or fewer individuals in conjunction with certain high-deductible health plans (deductibles of \$1,500-\$2,250 per individual, or \$3,000-\$4,500 per family). Eligible individuals can contribute up to 65 percent of the amount deductible under their health plan (75 percent for families) to an MSA, and use that contribution to pay for medical expenses, including dental and eye care. Money contributed can be deducted from the business owner's gross income for tax purposes, and accumulates tax-deferred interest.

* Last but not least, one-income families now can benefit from the Homemaker IRA, which I sponsored. The Homemaker IRA raises the limit on IRA contributions for one-income couples from \$2,250 a year to \$4,000 a year, \$2,000 for each spouse. Finally, homemakers are getting equity when it comes to retirement savings.

A single-income couple that invests the new maximum amount annually into an IRA account beginning at age 25 will accumulate \$1.1 million by the time they reach retirement age at 65. (For more information on this, call my Dallas office at (214) 361-3500.)

It's not a perfect system, but we have made it better. I urge all Texans to investigate the advantages these new tax-code rules have to offer.

Sweet Adelines slate annual show Feb. 22

Award winning Chisholm Trail Chorus of Sweet Adelines, International will present their annual show on Feb. 22 at the Cultural Activities Center, 3011 North Third Street in Temple. There will be two performances of Barbershop "Ear-Witness News", a humorous look at 1996 in song, at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

The Texas Country Gentlemen of The Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America (SPEBSQSA) will perform on both shows. Symmetry, an International finalist quartet, will appear on the evening show.

Tickets are \$7 and may be purchased at the Cultural Activities Center, First State Bank in Salado, from chorus members, or at the door. A silent auction will begin one hour prior to each performance.

A drawing for a beautiful quilt, hand stitched by chorus members, will take place during the show.

Chisholm Trail Chorus is directed by Janie Macchiaroli, member of international award winning Houston Horizon Chorus and Symmetry quartet. Assistant Director is charter member, Carol Scherer of Belton. Sweet Adelines, International is a non-profit singing organization dedicated to promoting four-part harmony, barbershop style, for women.

The 70 members of Chisholm Trail Chorus hail from Temple, China Springs, Belton, Hewitt, Waco, Salado, Rogers, Georgetown, Nolanville, Troy, Round Rock, Lorena, Copperas Cove, Cameron, Bartlett, Austin, Holland, Taylor and Kempner. Rehearsals are held at the Cultural Activities Center in Temple every Thursday at 7 p.m. Visitors are welcome.


Ribbon cuttings for 2 businesses set for Feb. 27

The Salado Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors Committee invites you to two ribbon cuttings slated for Feb. 27.

The first will be held at 9 a.m. at Streets of Salado, in the Salado Plaza Shopping Center. The second will be held at 9:30 a.m. at Bramble Hedge B&B on FM 2268 (Holland Rd.), one mile east of I-35.

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