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## BOA sets annexation process in motion for two developments

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EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Salado aldermen have begun the process of annexing two developments into the Village by setting two public hearings in January, as well as setting Planning and Zoning Commission hearings on the two planned developments.

As part of the annexation effort, aldermen have instructed Village staff to prepare a Municipal Services Plan for the properties to be annexed and to adopt a timetable for completing annexation and perform other activities necessary for the initiation of annexation proceedings.

Aldermen conducted a public hearing on the annexation of 312.381 acres of property for the Sanctuary Development on Dec. 10. The original petition request stated that the area to be annexed was 276 acres, however, city staff discovered that the plats to be included in the annexation totaled 312.381 acres.

According to City Manager Kim Foutz, the metes and bounds required for the annexation process will correctly reflect the 312.381 acres to be annexed.

Prior to annexation, the Village will conduct two formal public hearings on the petition for annexation. The first will be 6:30 p.m. Jan. 14 at the Village Municipal Building at 301 N Stagecoach Rd. The second will be 6:30 p.m. Jan. 28 at the Municipal Build-

ing.

The Planning and Zoning Commission will conduct a public hearing on the Planned Development-Mixed Use zoning request for the properties to be annexed. The P&Z Commission will meet at 1:30 p.m. Jan. 12 at the Municipal Building to conduct the public hearing before making its recommendation to the Board of Aldermen on Jan. 14.

The Board of Aldermen will conduct a public hearing on the Planned Development zoning request at its Jan. 21 meeting.

Aldermen also conducted a public hearing to begin the annexation of 20.017 acres of land of the Hidden Glen Development. The annexation of Hidden Glen will follow the same schedule as the annexation of The Sanctuary Development. Aldermen will conduct formal public hearings on Jan. 14 and Jan. 21 on the annexation. Planning and Zoning will conduct a hearing on the Planned Development-Mixed Use request on Jan. 12. Aldermen will conduct a public hearing on the Planned Development-Mixed Use zoning request on Jan. 21.

Following the hearings, aldermen are set to adopt the resolutions that enact the annexation of the two properties on Feb. 11. After adopting the annexation ordinances, the Village will file the annexation ordinance with the County Clerk within 30 days, notify the Secretary of State and Comptroller

with a map of the whole municipality showing the new annexation and prepare an amended official Village map to have it adopted by ordinance and filed at the Village office.

During discussion of the Sanctuary annexation ordinance, alderman Amber Preston Dankert asked if the Municipal Services Plan included a cost analysis of "what it will take to recoup the cost to provide services. This is important information to have if the services we are providing are going to be much more than what we get back from the development."

Maurice Striegler, a resident of Salado Oaks subdivision, asked aldermen to "protect us against the extension of our street to the Sanctuary development." He added that the street was designated in the original subdivision plat as being a dead end cul-de-sac. However, due to a private road attaching to the end of the cul-de-sac and connecting to Baines Street, it was becoming a de facto thoroughfare. "We will have more than 200 cars per day coming through it," he said. "This invades our peace and tranquility. Please take this to heart and help us protect our subdivision from being invaded by this monstrosity."

Preston Dankert added that "once we determine the services we are going to provide, if there is going to be a timeline in place for us to provide those services, then the same should SEE ANNEXATION, PAGE 4A



## Mountain of work

James Construction crews continue work on the Salado Plaza intersection. Mayor Skip Blancett told the audience during the Dec. 10 Board of Aldermen meeting that he has toured the expansion project with project manager Rick Lewis of James Construction. "It's been a while since I could do that because of the rains. Rick is the inside person who really runs this thing," Blancett said. He told the audience that Lewis said that between now and mid-January the FM 2484 bridge will be completed and fully opened. He also reported that Lewis said the work on Salado Plaza interface will be substantially completed by mid-March 2016.

(PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

## Hanks talks about 40-year dream of Sanctuary

By TIM FLEISCHER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Billie Hanks, Jr. described The Sanctuary as being a place of "utter romance" and the culmination of more than 40 years of planning and dreaming that began with his parents Billie Hanks Sr. and Freda Nutt Hanks.

Speaking before a Town Hall meeting Dec. 14, Hanks said that his roots in Salado run more than 130 years deep and include many "happy memories." He assured a crowd of more than 60 that his intentions with The Sanctuary were to compliment the Village of Salado, not conflict with it.

"My grandmother had 160 acres where the lake is now," he said, "and I fell in love with the world she told me about. I have a profound love for Bell County and for Salado."

Hanks recalled that his grandfather proposed to his grandmother in Salado. "He drove her right out into the middle of Salado Creek and he told her she 'would have to walk on water, Maggie if you don't say yes.'"

After telling the audience about coming to Salado and headquartering International Evangelism Association here some 20 years ago, he told the crowd about the 40-year dream that began with his parents and that he continues today with the development of The Sanctuary. "They were dreamers."

he said, and got in on the early development of Aspen and Scottsdale. "They began to acquire land in Salado as the third place that they wanted to develop. They wanted something first class that could not be found anywhere else."

The vision of Billy and Freda Hanks was to recreate the architecture and culture of the small, historic towns of Europe. "We would go down the Rhine in Germany and they would draw pictures of everything they envisioned," Hanks said. "This has not been a quick thing. It has taken me nearly four decades. Before my parents passed, they gave me strong instructions on what to do."

Hanks said that he was introduced to Robert Sulaski by Gigi Graham Foreman, daughter of evangelist Billy Graham. Hanks said she introduced Sulaski as "a man with big enough ideas to do what you want to do in Salado."

Hanks talked some about Sulaski's background in developing Celebration in Disney and in developing a mixed use development with more than 300 homes in Asheville North Carolina.

Hanks said that the architectural design for the Sanctuary will be based on the historic architecture of four European areas: Rosenberg, Germany, Bruges, Belgium, Madrid, Spain and central Portu-

gal.

"It will be utter romance," he said, "the best of the best in Europe. We sent architects and designers and land planners around Europe to bring back these ideas. We have sketches of door handles, hinges, even the depths of window spaces."

"This will not be Disney," Hanks said. "It will not be a theme park."

Hanks said that the property will be developed keeping historic architecture and feel in mind. He pointed out that there will be 14 parks on the property and a walking/hiking/bike trail along a stream running through the property.

Thus far, the group has preliminary drawings of a 90-room boutique hotel that borrows designs from the Bruges, as well as the Biltmore Estate in North Carolina. The hotel, along with a senior center, commercial center and a cultural center, will be built in Phase I of the project, according to Hanks.

"I can't say what flag it is going to be for the hotel, but there are only three hotels in the U.S. with that flag, in Austin, Dallas and New York City," Hanks said. "There are only about 450 hotels under this flag in the world."

Streets will have the look and feel of old European cities. "There won't be curbs and gutters and wide streets like we have in the states," he said. In-

stead, they streets will feature cobblestone. "They will be safe to meet the standards needed for fire and police service," Hanks said.

The Wildfire Ranch Arena will be transformed into a complex for performances and other cultural gatherings that will attract as many as 10,000 to 12,000 per event. Hanks said that he is working with R Entertainment out of Scottsdale, Arizona to begin bringing events to Salado.

Before that, though, the metal building will undergo a transformation of sorts to turn it into a 185,000 sq. ft. entertainment complex. Plans for this complex include 15 acres of parking.

"The building will have a different skin," he said, adding that "it will look totally different than it looks today."

The entertainment complex is part of Phase I. The concert hall, modeled after the Royal Albert Hall in London, will be a part of Phase II of Sanctuary development, at least five years down the road.

He said that R Entertainment plans on 10 festivals the first year and will build up to as many as 30 festivals during the year.

"Everything we have will be family friendly and clean," he admonished, "or I won't have anything to do with it."

"These folks will be coming to your shops and

restaurants during these weekends," Hanks said.

Hanks told the audience that Sanctuary would be "doing the streetlights for Salado on Main Street" to give a seamless transition from Sanctuary to downtown Salado.

Prior to Hanks speaking, aldermen Fred Brown and Frank Coachman talked about the process leading up to the signing of agreements between the Village and the Sanctuary.

Alderman Brown said that the agreements are "the culmination of nine to 10 months of negotiations," adding that the Village "looked at connecting to Belton because it seems so much easier. What we found was that just running the standard size sewer line to Belton would cost as much as the entire bond package. Belton wanted us to oversize the lines, so it put it out of the ballpark."

Additionally, Brown said that tying in to Belton would not allow Salado to recoup construction costs through impact fees and tap fees. "The hook up fees, monthly charges, all of it would go to Belton."

In October and November 2014, Sanctuary began to meet with residents of Salado. "Originally, they were going to go out and put in a MUD (Municipal Utility District) and remain outside the city limits of Salado."

"We would get no property taxes and no sales tax-

es," he added. "Our village would be in competition with another village just south of Salado. This was not a good situation."

"We met with them and they came to us with certain options. Some things that they were asking for were too far out into the future, so we walked away from the deal," he said. "We looked at other options for Salado to move to."

Brown added that it would take at least a year to get a new discharge permit. "Sanctuary offered the permit they already had and the land on which to build the plant," he said.

Brown said that Sulaski and Hanks told Salado aldermen that they "want to make it work for Village to see that you get property taxes and sales taxes for the Village."

"We put together a deal that gives us the opportunity to put the sewer together a year earlier," Brown said. "It brings all of the property into the city limits even before the sewer service."

"We don't have to compete with another community," he said. "There will be a seamless transition to be a part of our community. I think you will be very pleased when you hear how we ended up."

Coachman explained some of the particulars of the agreements that were signed into effect on

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# FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



## Cruz vs. Rubio -- A Better GOP Race

A funny thing is happening on the way to the GOP meltdown.

According to the latest Quinnipiac poll, the two most popular and broadly acceptable candidates in the field are perhaps the most talented and most reliably conservative. Oh, and by the way, they are Hispanics in their 40s.

Donald Trump is still leading the polls and has demonstrated a staying power that has confounded his critics, but Marco Rubio and Ted Cruz are now beginning to stand out in the rest of the field, clustering with Ben Carson in effectively a three-way tie for second place nationally.

According to the latest Quinnipiac poll, Rubio and Cruz have the highest net favorable ratings in the race at 58 percent and 56 percent, respectively. Only 5 percent of Republicans say they wouldn't consider voting for Rubio, and 6 percent say that of Cruz, the lowest numbers in the field (Trump and Jeb Bush are unacceptable to the most Republicans, at 26 percent and 21 percent, respectively).

Unlike with Trump or Carson, explaining the emergence of Rubio and Cruz doesn't require figuring out why the laws of political gravity have been suspended or psychoana-

**Rich Lowry**



lyzing GOP voters. They are advancing in a completely typical track.

They both have thought about running for president for a very long time. They both paid their dues -- Cruz in the George W. Bush campaign and administration; Rubio in the Florida House. They both serve in a body, the U.S. Senate, that practically exists as a steppingstone to the White House. They both look, talk and act like politicians -- because they are politicians, and good ones.

If the race eventually winnows down to a Rubio-Cruz fight, it will feature supremely skilled campaigners who are eloquent and sure-footed and represent the best next-generation politicians the party has to offer. A Cruz-Rubio race would play as grass roots vs. the establishment, although Rubio in the establishment slot would be an enormous victory for the tea party, which over the years has backed some flagrantly unsuitable candidates.

There is no doubt that the two are now positioned

differently. From the beginning of his Senate career, Cruz has focused on bonding with the grass roots of the party, while Rubio sponsored a misbegotten immigration bill that hasn't been forgotten or forgiven by conservatives. Cruz is working from the right of the party out (he's strongest among self-identified very conservative voters), and Rubio is working from the center of the party out (he's strongest among self-identified somewhat conservatives).

There are doubts about both of them. Is Cruz electable? Can Rubio be trusted on immigration? Does Cruz lack a winning personal touch? Is Rubio too youthful-looking? And Donald Trump can't be wished away.

If Trump wins Iowa, it will indeed be like the First Bull Run of the Republican civil war. Regardless, the race is still highly unpredictable, and the last couple of weeks before Iowa and New Hampshire always bring surprises.

But Republicans hyperventilating over Trump should pause long enough to appreciate the steady rise of two conservative 40-somethings who represent the party's future.

*Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review. (c) 2015 by King Features Synd., Inc.*

# A Salado December to remember

Two great weeks of Stroll have occurred with many people visiting, shopping, and enjoying the lights, the spirit, and the hospitality of Salado. The stores, decorated beautifully, were filled with merchandise, smiles, and treats. The neighborhoods sparkled with bright colored lights, yard art, and Christmas trees. The Salado Choir, the Church Cantatas, the Parade of Homes, the Robertson Plantation Gala, and the many events sponsored by service organizations added to a "December-to-remember" for Salado.

And, most encouraging, it was done during I-35 Construction. People across the State came and enjoyed because of Salado merchants and citizen's reputation of superb hospitality and friendliness. That is the spirit of Salado and always will be. To

**Mayor Skip Blancett**



each of you, merchant and neighbor, "thank you" for going "the-second-mile" and proving that life goes on with or without construction or weather.

A special thanks to the Chamber of Commerce for their multimedia coverage of the Stroll events. Highway billboards, television spots and newspaper articles were done creatively and with class. You are paving a new, exciting, and productive future for Salado.

A few side notes of interest:

(1) Designing the Sewer Plant by our En-

gineer is well underway. Once the plans are completed, the bidding process will begin. The bidding process is soon to be for laying the sewer pipe down Main Street, Royal, West Village Road, and a short portion of Thomas Arnold. A January Sewer Town Hall meeting is being scheduled.

(2) Two January Public Hearings will be held for the annexation of Sanctuary's approximately 312 acres and the Hidden Glenn Senior Retirement Center's 20 acres.

(3) I-35 construction, Salado section, is expected to be completed in April/May.

(4) The low water bridge cleaning is planned as soon as the \$18,000 is raised.

May your holidays be safe, healthy, and joyful.



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And now comes the most ostentatious game of one-upmanship yet: The trophy mansion.

Forget those \$10-million show houses perched pretentiously atop a peak in Aspen for all to see — we're talking \$100-million, \$200-million, and even \$500-million mine-is-bigger-than-yours monuments to mammon.

For example, a gold rush of developers are constructing monstrous trophy mansions in Los Angeles.

**Jim Hightower**



How big? These things have 8,000-square-foot master bedrooms alone, along with closets so vast they include catwalks, full-size IMAX movie theaters, and even "champagne rooms." At 1,500 square feet, my entire house would fit in those mega-master bedrooms five times over.

One of these bungalows in the luxe ZIP code of Bel Air is listed for sale at half a billion dollars. The size of a shopping mall, it covers 110,000 square feet of indoor space, plus a bowling alley, a night club, a casino, and — get this — four swimming pools!

"Who in their right mind needs four swim-

ming pools?" asks a neighbor who paid a mere 10 million bucks or so for his luxurious Bel Air home. Well, sniffed the developer, one can work up quite a sweat going around this maxi-mansion. "Why would you not need four swimming pools?"

Adding to the narcissistic self-indulgence of these trophy hunters, note that this \$500 million Taj Mahal isn't even meant to be the owner's main home, but a place for occasional getaways. "Nobody buys a 100,000 square foot home to use every day," explains the developer.

Such excess isn't just an embarrassment of riches. It's obscene.

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## A Victory for All American Private Property Owners

BY U.S. SEN. JOHN CORNYN AND REP. MAC THORNBERRY  
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Imagine that you had worked hard to purchase a piece of property, pay your taxes on the land, and plan to pass it along to your children for their use and enjoyment. All seems well until an agency of the federal government decides that it really owns your land and swoops in to take it away. You try to fight the government in court but while you do, a cloud hangs over the title to the property for years.

That is the nightmare facing more than 150 land owners along a 116-mile stretch of the Red River. However, stopping this land grab by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is important for more than

just those directly affected. Property rights affect all of us, and we must stand together to protect them.

As part of BLM's update to its Resource Management Plan two years ago, the agency originally claimed that it owned up to 90,000 more acres than it previously suggested along the Red River. It later reduced that estimate to approximately 30,000 acres. But the federal government has only surveyed about 6,400 acres of the land in question, and these spot surveys are highly contested. They appear to stray greatly from the survey method mandated by the Supreme Court in the 1920s. BLM has also stated that it does not plan to survey the rest of the land in question.

Since 2013, our offices have held countless meetings, phone calls, and site

visits with these landowners, as well as local and state officials, to coordinate action. As a result of these interactions, we introduced the Red River Private Property Protection Act in the House and Senate — legislation that seeks to end questions about the federal government's ownership of the disputed land. And in one of the most encouraging developments in this long fight, the U.S. House of Representatives this week passed the bill.

The legislation will require that an actual survey be taken of the entire 116-mile stretch in question using the gradient boundary survey method developed and backed by the Supreme Court. This survey must also be conducted by licensed state land surveyors chosen by the Texas General Land Office and be paid for by the govern-

ment. Importantly, the final survey must ultimately be approved by the State of Texas.

The bill also allows the landowner to appeal any further federal government ownership claims to their land through an Administrative Law judge. Once these claims are settled, BLM must sell off the surface rights of the remaining publicly-owned land at fair market value after the proper boundary line is located and settled. The bill also explicitly states that the interest of the states and the sovereign rights of the federally-recognized Indian tribes will not be affected. And the Congressional Budget Office estimates that this legislation would save U.S. taxpayers about \$3 million. In short, this legislation would keep Texans from losing their property to a federal land grab.

By establishing a process to resolve uncertainty, this commonsense legislation would ultimately protect the property rights of Texans. The right to own private property is a cornerstone of our way of life. We will continue to do everything we can to protect that right for these landowners and all Texans.

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## Blessings of living in Salado

Dear Editor:

It is such a blessing to call Salado my home town. Our little town is filled with the most generous people. I have been involved with Salado Family Relief for 10 years now, and I am always amazed with the local support. I want to thank all the local Restaurants and Bed & Breakfasts that donated soup, bread sticks and tea for our Empty Bowl Fundraiser in November. Thanks to all the people that attended the event. A special thank you to Titia at Mud Pies for donating beautiful pottery bowls, and lining up potters from all over central Texas to also donate bowls for this event. Our group was also blessed to receive a generous donation that was collected from the Community Church Service held in November. We just wrapped up our Christmas Project and we helped 147 local children with toys and gifts for Christmas. Almost all of these children were assisted by local groups, churches and individuals in the community that shopped for a family or child. Thanks again to everyone that helped with this event!

Sincerely,  
Renee' Oas, President  
Salado Family Relief

To the Editor:

What a joy it is to drive and walk through our beautiful village during the Christmas season. What a privilege we have to live in a town that brings such happiness to travelers and our citizens who live among the gorgeous

## Your Voice

Letters to the Editor

lights & decorations. The pluses are too numerous to name!!

We enjoy great restaurants, beautiful shops, great schools, and numerous houses of worship. We have a hard working volunteer Board of Alderman that give our village endless hours of their time.

Let me simply say, "volunteers are priceless"!!

Thank-you to all of our volunteers who love this village and put their hearts and souls into making our town the best it can be.

The beautiful lights re-

mind me of the "Light of the World", our Lord, Jesus Christ. In this time of negativity in this world, I Thank God for our many, many blessings.

With a grateful heart,  
Cathy Sands

To the Editor:

Just a note to say a big "Thank You" and "God bless" to a guardian angel, Ronnie Cloud.

I pulled into the post office Tuesday and a young man in a pick-up jumped

out and said "Ma'am you have a flat tire. I'll change it if you have a spare.

He spent about 40 minutes of his busy day doing this for me. His name is Ronnie Cloud and he would take no payment.

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# Community Life

## Annexation FROM PAGE 1A

be true of their build out.” Foutz told aldermen that the services “never extend beyond their build out. It works hand in hand as development happens.”

During the public hearing on the Hidden Glen development, Darlene Walsh asked if the golf cart path could at any time become a regular city street putting additional traffic onto Stagecoach Circle.

In other business related to the Sanctuary Development and the wastewater treatment plant, aldermen declined a request from Sanctuary developers for the formation of a Municipal Utilities District in the Village extra territorial jurisdiction. The request came immediately after negotiations were postponed this fall. However, since the Sanctuary and Village have signed several agreements concerning annexation of The Sanctuary, the MUD request became a moot point. State law requires action to be taken by the Village on the MUD formation request.

Aldermen approved \$87,061.25 in expenditures to be paid to Pape Dawson Engineers, the firm working on behalf of The Sanctuary for surveying and other work completed by the firm that it is necessary for Kasberg Patrick Associates to have in order to complete the design of the collection system and wastewater treatment plant.

According to Foutz, the work includes necessary survey and design work for the plant and discharge line on the Sanctuary property. In earlier negotiations, Pape Dawson Engineers was going to design the collection system from a lift station at the Stagecoach Inn plant to the wastewater treatment plant on land to be donated by Billie Hanks, Jr. and a discharge line on the southern end of the Sanctuary property. Salado aldermen demanded that the Village engineer (KPA) design the total project, with the exception of the collection system on the Sanctuary property.

“We went over the invoices line item by line item,” Foutz said. “This is reflective of all those discussions with Rick of what he can use and what he wants to finish out” the design of the project.

“If we do not pay this, we get no deliverables to be able to continue on with laying the pipe early next year,” Mayor Skip Blawie said. “We would have to go back and re-survey it again.”

The Board also approved \$7,775 for an Agreement with Ron Carroll Surveyors for completion of certain surveying services for the Village Wastewater Services Improvement Project.

Aldermen have no other meetings scheduled until January 2016.



## Romfh receives BS in Nursing

George C. Romfh of Salado, graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from the Scott and White School of Nursing at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor 159th Commencement, held on Dec. 11.

The night prior to graduation Romfh participated in UMHB’s traditional College of Nursing pinning ceremony, a symbolic welcoming of graduated nurses into the nursing profession. The same evening, Romfh was inducted into Sigma Theta Tau the Honor Society of Nursing, membership is by invitation to nursing students based on excellence in scholarship.

Romfh has accepted a position at Scott and White Memorial Hospital in Temple working in a progressive care unit.

A 2012 graduate of Salado High School, he is the son of Alice and George Romfh of Salado.

## Donkeys and cattle at Jesus’ birth? Only in a ‘Lost Gospel’

WACO, Texas (Dec. 14, 2015) — The old Christmas carol “Good Christian Men, Rejoice” makes the scenario clear in its telling of Jesus’ birth: “Ox and ass before Him bow; and He is in the manger now.”

Nativity depictions ranging from paintings in the Middle Ages to stained glass imagery to contemporary art often feature the donkey and the ox prominently. But that likely wouldn’t be the case if not for the so-called “Lost Gospels” — in particular one known as “Pseudo-Matthew,” says Philip Jenkins, Ph.D., Distinguished Professor of History in Baylor’s Institute for Studies of Religion. While the Gospel of Luke mentions shepherds and a manger, nowhere in the New Testament accounts of the nativity do cattle or donkeys appear, says Jenkins, au-

thor of the new book “The Many Faces of Christ: The Thousand-Year Story of the Survival and Influence of the Lost Gospels.”

The conventional account of early Christianity is that numerous alternative Scriptures were suppressed by the Church, with only four gospels — Matthew, Mark, Luke and John — selected as official accounts, with the rest lost, hidden or obliterated.

But Jenkins’ research suggests that many of the other accounts never really were lost by the early Church but instead were widely influential until the Reformation — and even today play a major role in shaping the beliefs of some Christians, although they may not realize it.

“There’s this kind of myth that all these gospels went underground around the year 400 and were destroyed or lost,” Jenkins

said. But a number of texts have been found since the late 1770s — perhaps most notably in 1945, when farmers found a sealed jar near caves not far from the Egyptian city of Nag Hammadi. Inside were a dozen leather-bound papyrus books containing more than 50 texts — some of them including quotations attributed to Jesus.

Although church leaders centuries before did not ultimately accept as genuine sacred accounts such writings as “the Gospel of Nicodemus,” “Gospel of James” and various gospels of Mary, the accounts nevertheless were well known during the spread of the church, Jenkins says.

In Ireland, which began converting to Christianity in the fifth century, “people were freely using gospels that nobody knew hadn’t been approved,” Jenkins said. While today word travels fast via the Internet, “it’s as if centuries ago, they didn’t get the memo.”

During the Middle Ages, people even used some of the texts as the

basis for poems and “mystery plays,” Jenkins said.

“These are probably plays that Shakespeare saw, and they probably disappeared around the time he was in his teens,” he said.

Some of the writings continue to have a strong impact today — particularly in Eastern Orthodox churches, Jenkins says.

“Some are considered canonical in the Ethiopian churches, one of the world’s oldest churches. The country was Christian even before the Roman Empire,” Jenkins said.



The New Testament tells little about Jesus’ childhood, other than that as a boy of 12, he questioned the teachers at the Temple in Jerusalem. Interestingly, the “Infancy Gospel of Thomas” portrays him as an obnoxious little boy, Jenkins said.

“However completely a text seems to have disappeared, its words and images often survived and were accepted, provided they met a powerful popular need,” Jenkins writes in the book. “Demand trumped censorship.”

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 10 a.m. Sunday School *All Ages*  
 11:15 a.m. Worship Service in Chapel *Contemporary*

**Wednesday, December 23**  
**No Evening Programs**

**Thursday, December 24**  
**Christmas Eve Service for Children & Families in Worship Center**  
 4 p.m.  
 5:30, 7 & 8:30 p.m.  
 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service in Chapel

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# Community Life

## Chamber accepting nominees for annual awards banquet

Salado Chamber of Commerce will host its annual Awards Banquet on Jan. 28 at Tenroc Ranch.

Save the Date notices were sent out via email this week to Chamber members and official invitations will be mailed soon.

Each year, the Chamber recognizes the work of volunteers and business owners through its annual awards and is now seeking nominees for the following awards: Business of the Year, Person of the Year and Hall of Fame award.

A person or business who has been awarded the Business of the Year or Person of the Year cannot win the award again during a five-year period.

A person or business can only be named to the Hall of Fame one time.

Please submit your nominees via email, mail or in person no later than Dec. 31 to chamber@salado.com, Salado Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 219, Salado, TX 76571, or the Visitor's Center at 831 N. Main St. Salado.



## Drake graduates to serve in Houston Police Department

Gene Drake was one of 66 cadets to graduate from the Houston Police Department Training Division as a member of the Cadet Class 223 during commencement exercises on Dec. 8. He now begins his employment as a law enforcement officer with the Houston Police Department. Drake is a 2008 graduate of Salado High School. After being

presented with their police badges by Chief of Police Charles A. McClelland Jr., cadets were given their oath of office by the Honorable Barbara A. Hartle, presiding judge and director of the City of Houston Municipal Courts. He is the son of Stan Drake, of Salado and Nacogdoches, and Leigh Ihrie of China Spring and formerly of Salado.



## Billy Joe Rouser Funeral Service December 18

Billy Joe Rouser, of Houston, formerly of Salado, Texas, passed away on Monday, the 14th of December 2015, after an inspiring 21-month battle with pancreatic cancer. He was 80 years of age.

Joe graduated from Oklahoma State University with a degree in engineering. He served as 2nd Lt. in the U.S. Army before joining Schlumberger and later joining Exxon, where he and his family spend many years working and travelling abroad. In his spare time and retirement years, Joe enjoyed golfing, RV-ing and travelling.

Joe is survived by Judith Lorraine Rouser, his loving wife of 57 years; and his daughters, Stacy Denkhoff and her husband Eric, and their three children Devin (17), Drew (15), and Darby (12), all of Flower Mound, Texas; and Stephanie Phillips and her husband John, and their two children, Matthew (17) and Ryan (17) all of Houston. Joe is also survived by his brother, Jim Rouser and his wife Joyce, also of Houston.

Friends are cordially invited to a visitation with the family from five o'clock in the afternoon until seven o'clock in the evening on Thursday, the 17th of December, in the library and grand foyer of Geo. H. Lewis & Sons, 1010 Bering Drive in Houston.

A funeral service is to be conducted at two o'clock in the afternoon on Friday, the 18th of December in the Jasek Chapel of Geo. H. Lewis & Sons, where the Rev. Jim Jackson is to officiate.

Immediately following, all are invited to greet the family during a reception in the adjacent grand foyer. At a later date, the family is to gather for a private interment.

In lieu of customary remembrances, the family requests with gratitude that memorial contributions for cancer research be directed to MD Anderson Cancer Center, P.O. Box 4486, Houston, TX, 77210-4486.

(Paid obituary)

## Liebig awarded Master of Business Administration

University of Texas at Tyler recognized 1,169 degree candidates during fall 2015 commencement ceremonies Dec. 11-12.

Aaron Mark Liebig, of Salado, was awarded a Master of Business Administration from the

College of Business and Technology.

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ate degrees are available at UT Tyler, which has an enrollment of more than 8,500 high-ability students. UT Tyler offers courses at its campuses in Tyler, Longview and Palestine as well as a location in Houston



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# Sanctuary

Thanksgiving eve Nov. 25. "There are 10 property owners, but the agreements keep us from having to work with each individual property owner as it

gets developed," Coachman said. "It all gets done in one fell swoop."

The agreements include the Master Development Agreement, Wastewa-

ter Services Agreement, Land Donation agreement, Chapter 380 Economic Development Agreement, a Tourism Marketing Agreement and an Annex-

ation Agreement.

"This gives us some influence on land use and development standards, additional property for future property taxes, a base for sales taxes, an expansion of the retail base for tourism and a trail system that will be open to the public with minimal regulation on usage," Coachman said.

He added that the agreements get the village land for a sewer plant, a discharge permit and "annexation of almost 300 acres of land."

The documents remain in escrow until annexation is complete on Feb. 11 and a final Master Planned development district is approved by the Village.

Under the Master Development Agreement, the Sanctuary developers outline what they expect in terms of land use and densities. However, the developers will have the ability to shift up to 20 percent of the land usages without having to come before the Planning and Zoning and Board of Aldermen for future approval.

By approving the Master Development agreement, the Village "confirms its approval of the Conceptual Master Plan and specifically approves the land uses, densities, exceptions, utility and roadway alignments and width of rights-of-way shown in the Conceptual Master Plan, Land Use Chart and the Exceptions and Minimum Specifications.

The Land Uses Master Plan outlines the following general use categories and specifications, which can be amended by as much as 20 percent without further approval:

- Commercial (e.g. office, retail, restaurants, etc.): 515,000 heated sq. ft.
- Entertainment Venue: 40,000 heated sq. ft.
- Lodging: 355 rooms.
- Multi-family (multi-story including senior

housing and rental): 575 units.

- Mutli-Family (for sale including condos, townhouse and duplexes): 130 units.

- Single Family (for sale): 364 units.
- Parking Garage: 500 spaces

Approving the Master Development Agreement also approves the road design standards identified in the Conceptual Master Plan and includes roadway connections to the following Village roads: Royal Street, College Hill Drive, Baines Street, Santa Maria Road, San Jose Road, Salado Oaks Drive, Main Street and FM 2268.

The Design Guidelines referred to in the Master Development Agreement states that the Developer will provide design guidelines to the "Village of Salado prior to the first preliminary plat."

The Chapter 380 Economic Development agreement outlines 15 years of tax rebates for commercial properties. It states that the owners will receive rebates equal "to the annual Property Tax Receipts actually received by the Village associated with such development (if any) less the amount of Property Tax Receipts in the Base Tax Year for the property associated with such development," multiplied by 50 percent.

The tax rebate will not include the debt service tax for the retirement of the debt for the sewer plant, according to City Manager Kim Foutz.

The property taxes will be rebated for a period of 15 years "from the recording date of the last Subdivision as defined by the Village of Salado Subdivision Ordinance No. 2009.02 or the 15th anniversary date of the last certificate of occupancy issues for a commercial building, whichever is the last to occur."

The Chapter 380 agreement also includes Rollback Grants for periodic economic development grants "equal to 100 percent of the Rollback Taxes to offset the portion of the Owner's cost of development of the Land." Rollback Taxes are defined in the Chapter 380 agreement as "the tax and/or penalty assessed against the Land, or operation thereof, as the result of the removal or agricultural and/or open space land designation(s) for the Land."

Property that is appraised as Ag Use is valued on its capacity to produce agricultural products, not the market value of the land. According to the article entitled "Ag-use Exemption: Fact or Fiction?" by Judon Farmbrough in the Tierra Grande, the Real Estate Center Journal, "This is determined by capitalizing the average net income that the land would have been earned during the past five years using prudent agricultural management practices."

The chief appraiser will also appraise the land at its market value. Then, according to Farmbrough's article, "If the land is sold or diverted to a non-agricultural use, the difference between the two appraisals" for the past five years, plus interest, must be recaptured. This is what is referred to as the Rollback Taxes in the Chapter 380 Economic Development agreement, according to Foutz.

Additionally, the agreements include verbiage concerning Future Phases in which it states that the Village "shall look favorably in good faith on extending the existing economic incentives" for the future Phase Two Entertainment District which will consist of an approximately 1,800 to 2,500 seat additional music venue and multistory parking garage. However, the agreement is not binding on this future development.

The agreements signed by the Mayor and Billie Hanks, Jr. include a Tourism Marketing Agreement in which 50 percent of the hotel occupancy taxes generated by the Sanctuary will be rebated to the development to promote the property for overnight stays. The Tourism Marketing Agreement shall "continue for a period of 15 calendar years from the Opening Date of the last Venue opened to the public by the Owners."

While Hanks' presentation was short on details and long on dreams, not all the residents present liked either part of it. One resident said that he had great concerns about the amount of traffic that would be forced through his neighborhood on FM 2268.

Maurice Striegler, who lives in Salado Oaks, said that with an average of two cars per residence, "there will be more than 750 cars every day on that property. What is the flow pattern coming out of the place? They shouldn't be coming through our neighborhood. That is like Moby Dick taking a dip in our tiny little swimming pool. That is not a Christian way to treat a small neighborhood.

Josie Edwards expressed a great deal of concern about the impact on the local environment of such congested development. "What will become of the deer and the wildlife when you have that many homes and businesses built?" she asked.

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Peyton Kyburz goes for a lay up against an Australian player during the fourth round of the Jarrell Invitational Basketball Tournament. Kyburz scored seven points in the game. Salado won two of the four games that the Eagles played in Jarrell Dec. 10-12. (PHOTO BY RON LEQUIN)



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## Eagles compete in Jarrell tourney

Salado Eagles split their games during the Jarrell Invitational basketball tournament Dec. 10-12, beating Marlin and an Australian high school team and losing to Groesbeck and Jarrell. Prior to the tournament, the Eagles beat the Horizon Crocs from Australia

**Salado 49**  
**Marlin 34**

Salado Eagles beat the Marlin Bulldogs 49-34 in the first round of the Jarrell Invitational Tournament Dec. 10.

The Eagles, after trailing 10-12 in the first, shut down Marlin's Noble and held the Bulldogs to just two points in the second period. Meanwhile, the Eagles offense scored 14 points for a 24-14 halftime lead.

The Eagles extended it to 39-26 in the third and scored 10 points, mostly at the free throw line in the fourth to win 49-34.

Justin Tatum led the team with 14 points. Trev-

or Stump followed with 12 points. Preston Rosebrock scored 10 points.

Peyton Kyburz scored nine points and Luke Miller scored one.

**Salado 41**  
**Groesbeck 57**

Salado Eagles lost to the Groesbeck Goats 57-41 in the second round of the Jarrell Tournament Dec. 11. Groesbeck jumped out to an 18-7 lead in the first quarter and the Eagles trailed throughout the rest of the game. The Goats led 33-27 at the half before Salado closed the gap to 35-32 at the end of the third.

Justin Tatum led the scoring for Salado with 11 points. Preston Rosebrock followed with eight points. Trevor Stump scored seven points, Evan Wall scored six points, Peyton Kyburz scored five points and Garrett Lightfoot and Willie Whigham scored two points each.

**Salado 40**  
**Jarrell 57**

Salado Eagles lost to the hosting Jarrell Cougars 57-40 in the third round of the Jarrell Invitational basketball tournament Dec. 11.

The Cougars led 20-15 after the first and 30-25 at the half. Jarrell scored 19 points in the third quarter to extend their lead to 49-37 and held Salado to just three points in the fourth quarter for the 57-40 win.

Preston Rosebrock led the Eagles with 11 points in the game. Justin Tatum followed with 10 points. Also scoring for Salado were Trevor Stump, seven points, Willie Whigham, six points, Garrett Lightfoot, three points, Luke Miller, two points and Phillip Sueoka, one point.

**Salado 64**  
**Australia 53**

Preston Rosebrock was perfect at the free throw

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(PHOTO BY RON LEQUIN)  
Sarah Kelarek gets a face full of hand during the Salado Lady Eagles' 50-57 loss to the Rogers Lady Eagles.

## Ladies lose to Rogers, China Spring

Salado Lady Eagles lost to Rogers in a home game and to China Spring on the road last week, dropping their record to 6-9 on the year so far.

**Lady Eagles 50**  
**Rogers 57**

Rogers Lady Eagles beat the Salado Lady Eagles at home 57-50 on Dec. 8. Rogers led 19-8 at the end of the first and 33-21 at the half.

Salado closed the gap in the third, scoring 14 points, with Kayla Manning and Brianna Washington combining for nine of them.

Sarah Kelarek led the girls with 18 points, including eight points in the fourth quarter.

Manning followed with 13 points, including seven-of-nine shooting at the free throw line.

Also scoring for Salado were Taylor Lowrance, six points, Washington and Payton Dreitz, four points each, Kerrigan Hearne, three points and Gema Vitolas, two points.

**Lady Eagles 48**  
**China Spring 75**

China Spring exploded for 22 points in the first quarter and never looked back in their 75-48 win over the Salado Lady Eagles at home Dec. 11. Salado scored 15 points in the first, but just eight in the second as China Spring extended its lead to 33-23 at the half.

China Spring scored 18 points and 24 points in the third and fourth quarters respectively, while holding Salado to 25 points in the second half.

Payton Dreitz led the Lady Eagles with 11 points, eight in the first half. Kerrigan Hearne followed with 10 points.

Also scoring for the Lady Eagles were Sarah Kelarek, nine points, Taylor Lowrance, seven points, Kierstan Osborn, six points, Gema Vitolas, three points and Brianna Washington, two points.

**Lady Eagles JV 33**  
**Rogers 6**

Salado held Rogers to 6 points in a win Dec. 8.

Salado led 18-4 at the

half and added 15 points in the second half for a 33-6 win.

Lexie Lima led the girls with 12 points. Also scoring for Salado were Corban Mescher, eight points, Megan Sanchez, five points, Melissa McCulloch, four points, Anna Catherine Johnson, Zoe Spindor and Kate Kyburz, two points each.

**Lady Eagles JV 10**  
**China Spring 49**

Salado JV Lady Eagles were beaten by China Spring Dec. 11.

Mescher scored six points to lead Salado. Also scoring were McCulloch and Lima, two points each.

## Eagles Basketball FROM PAGE 1A

line, scoring 10 of his game high 29 points there as he led the Salado Eagles past an Australian team in the final round of the Jarrell basketball tournament Dec. 12. Salado won 64-53.

The Eagles led 11-8 after the first and 32-23 at the half. Salado led 51-39 going into the fourth quarter.

Also scoring for Salado were Justin Tatum, 13 points, Trevor Stump, 10 points, Peyton Kyburz, seven points and Willie Whigham, five points.

**Salado 65**  
**Horizon 37**

After being tightly fought in the first quarter of their game with the visiting Horizon Crocs from Australia, Salado took over in the second and never looked back, going on to win 65-37 on Dec. 8.

The Crocs though challenged the Eagles in the first, trailing just 17-18 at the end of the quarter. Salado's defense, however,

held the Crocs to just seven points in the second while Preston Rosebrock led the Eagles to a 20-point quarter scoring 11 of his game-high 18 points in the period. Rosebrock hit two three pointers in the game.

Salado added another 17 points in the third as Evan Wall hit two of his three three-pointers in the game to give Salado a 55-33 lead at the end of three. Wall had 11 points in the game.

Justin Tatum hit two three-pointers in the fourth quarter and scored eight of the Eagles' 10 points in the final period. Tatum had 15 points in the game.

Also scoring for the Eagles were Peyton Kyburz, who scored eight points including two three-point shots, Trevor Stump, eight points, Anthony Young, three points and Willie Whigham, two points.

Salado plays Academy on the road Dec. 18 before hosting Waelder on Dec. 21. The Eagles will play in the Uvalde Tournament.



(PHOTO BY RON LEQUIN)  
Justin Tatum drives around a Horizon Crocodile player from Australia on Dec. 8. Salado played host to the traveling team down under, beating the Crocs 65-27 at Salado High gym. Tatum had 15 points in the game including two three-pointers in the fourth quarter.

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New courses within this program of study are Introduction to Accounting (ACNT 1303), Introduction to Accounting II (ACNT 1304), Introduction to Computerized Accounting (ACNT 1311) and Payroll and Business Tax Accounting (ACNT 1329).

Other new curriculums opening in the spring semester are a 30-credit hour paralegal/legal

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## Ninth grade boys struggle in Jarrell

Salado ninth grade boys went 0-3 in the Jarrell Tournament Dec. 10-12.

**SHS 9th Boys 30**  
**Groesbeck 9th 33**

Salado Eagles ninth grade boys dropped their first game of the Jarrell Tournament 30-33.

Jeremy Jarvis led the Salado boys with 12 points.

Also scoring for Salado were Samuel Brown, six points, Nathaniel Es-

chman and Warren Roche, 4 points each and Gordy Nelson, 2 points.

**SHS 9th Boys 24**  
**Jarrell 9th 38**

The ninth grade Eagles were beaten by Jarrell in the Jarrell Tournament 24-38.

Jarvis and Roche led Salado with 8 points each.

Also scoring for Salado were Nick Burns, 4 points, Brown and Eschman 2

points each.

**SHS 9th Boys 32**  
**Taylor 47**

Salado ninth boys lost to Taylor 32-47 in the Jarrell Tournament Dec. 11.

Roche led Salado with 15 points.

Also scoring for Salado were Nelson and Brown, five points each, Eschman, 4 points, and Jarvis, 3 points.

## Junior high girls basketball

**Salado 7A 53**  
**Llano 7A 2**

Salado seventh grade A girls crushed Llano 53-2 Dec. 14. Amy Manning led Salado with 10 points. Katie Law and Kaelan Westbrook, 8 points each.

“These girls played amazing last night! They came together as a team no matter what combination I put on the floor. 11 of our 12 team members had points on the board. It was a good win for us going into the holiday break. Our district record is 4-0. We start second round of district when we get back from the Christmas break which puts a little pressure on these girls because everyone is going to be out to get them” said Coach Jodee Preston.

**Salado 8A 31**  
**Llano 8A 14**

Salado eighth grade A girls beat Llano Dec. 14. Grace Graham led

Salado with eight points. Kaia Philen, seven points and Emaly Vrooman, six points.

“We started off the game a little rusty...just couldn't get anything to fall offensively and making some poor choices on the floor. But they stepped it up second half. This team's defense is really fun to watch. They know exactly when to turn it on. Our district record is 2-2. We have some unfinished business to take care of second half of district” said Coach Jodee Preston.

**Salado 7B 30**  
**Llano 7B 7**

Salado seventh grade B girls defeated Llano Dec. 14. Allison Carnahan led Salado with 10 points. Followed by Reagan Maag, eight points.

The Lady Eagles outscored Llano 30-7 to end the first half of district play 3-1 with their only

loss to Burnet. “Llano was unable to run much of an offensive attack because of our pressure defense,” said Coach Kristi Wilk. “We would steal the ball and go score.”

**Salado 8B 21**  
**Llano 8B 12**

Salado eighth grade B girls beat Llano Dec. 14. Catalina Langlitz led Salado with seven points. Followed by Lorna Fleet, six points.

The 8B Lady Eagles played a controlled and aggressive game Monday night against Llano to defeat the Lady Daubers 21-12 to end up 2-2 for the first half of district play. “Playing with a controlled confidence gave the girls just what they needed to win,” Coach Kristi Wilk said. “Our shooting and rebounding is really improving, so these girls are ready to attack the second half of district play.”



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**Salado I.S.D. Menus December 18**  
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	Friday	
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<b>K-8 Lunch</b>	Cheeseburger Sunbutter & Jelly Sandwich Sweet Potato Fries Ranch Style Beans   Diced Peaches	
<b>SHS Lunch</b>	Grilled Chicken on Bun Chips   Lettuce & Tomato Veggie Dippers   Ranch Apple Slices   Banana Chocolate Chip Cookie	

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### Salado Lady Eagles Basketball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	JV	Varsity
Nov. 10	Marble Falls	Home	20-27 L	40-37 W
Nov. 13	Academy	Home		63-19 L
Nov. 17	McGregor	Away	38-18 W	55-61 L
Nov. 19-21	Polk-Key City Tournament	Away		1 W, 3 L
Nov. 19 & 21	Cameron JV Tournament	Away	4 W, 0 L	-
Nov. 23	Crawford	Away	<i>Games Canceled</i>	
Dec. 3-5	Coach Smith Tournament	Home	4W, 2L	
Dec. 3-5	Gatesville JV Tournament	Away	1 W, 3L	
Dec. 8	Rogers	Home	33-6 W	50-57 L
Dec. 11	China Spring	Away	10-49 L	48-75 L
Dec. 15	Brownwood	Home	5:00	6:30
Dec. 18	Gatesville	Away	2:30	4:00
Dec. 28-30	Thorndale Tournament	Away		TBA
Jan. 4	Lorena	Away	5:00	6:15
Jan. 8	Taylor*	Away	5:15	6:30
Jan. 12	Lampasas*	Away	5:15	6:30
Jan. 15	Liberty Hill*	Home	5:15	6:30
Jan. 19	Burnet*	Away	5:15	6:30
Jan. 22	Llano*	Home	5:15	6:30
Jan. 26	Taylor*	Home	5:15	6:30
Jan. 29	Lampasas*	Home	5:15	6:30
Feb. 2	Liberty Hill*	Away	5:15	6:30
Feb. 5	Burnet*	Home	5:15	6:30
Feb. 9	Llano*	Away	5:15	6:30

### Salado Eagles Basketball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	9TH	JV	Varsity
Nov. 20	Faith Academy	Home	23-33 L		70-59 W
Nov. 24	Waco Connally	Away	31-33 L	37-33 W	50-72 L
Nov. 28	Groesbeck	Away		27-34 L	62-66 L
Dec. 1	Austin Travis	Away	53-48W	51-65L	62-64 L
Dec. 3-5	Coach Smith Tournament	Salado			2W, 2L
Dec. 3-5	Gatesville Tournament	Away	3W, 0L	2W, 1L	
Dec. 8	Horison Crocs (Australia)	Here		5:00	65-37 W
Dec. 10-12	Jarrell Tournament	Away	0W, 3L		2W, 2L
Dec. 15	Robinson	Home	5:00	6:15	7:30
Dec. 18	Academy	Away	5:00	6:15	7:30
Dec. 21	Waelder	Home			12:00
Dec. 28-29	Uvalde Tournament	Away			TBA
Jan. 4	Lorena	Away	5:00	6:30	8:00
Jan. 9	Jarrell Sub-Varsity Tourney	Away	TBA	TBA	
Jan. 15	Liberty Hill*	Away	5:15	5:15	6:30
Jan. 19	Burnet*	Home	5:15	5:15	6:30
Jan. 22	Llano*	Away	5:15	5:15	6:30
Jan. 26	Taylor*	Away	5:15	5:15	6:30
Jan. 29	Lampasas*	Away	5:15	5:15	6:30
Feb. 2	Liberty Hill*	Home	5:15	5:15	6:30
Feb. 5	Burnet*	Away	5:15	5:15	6:30
Feb. 9	Llano*	Home	5:15	5:15	6:30
Feb. 12	Taylor*	Home	5:15	5:15	6:30
Feb. 16	Lampasas*	Home	5:15	5:15	6:30

### Salado Junior High Girls Basketball

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	7B	8B	7A	8A
Nov. 12-14	Salado Junior High Tournament	Salado	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Teams are Salado, Belton Middle, Lorena, Academy, Lampasas, Troy, South Belton Middle School and Jarrell.						
Nov. 19	Burnet	Away			35-24	28-20
Nov. 23	Liberty Hill	Home	6:00	5:00	15-14	17-51
Nov. 30	Lampasas	Home	6:00	5:00	28-13	18-20
Dec. 14	Llano	Home	30-7	21-12	53-2	31-14
Jan. 7	Burnet	Home	6:00	5:00	5:00	6:00
Jan. 14	Liberty Hill	Away	6:00	5:00	5:00	6:00
Jan. 21	Lampasas	Away	6:00	5:00	5:00	6:00
Jan. 28	Jarrell	Home	6:00	5:00	5:00	6:00
Feb. 1	Llano	Away	6:00	5:00	5:00	6:00

### Salado Junior High Boys Basketball

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	7B	8B	7A	8A
Nov. 19	Burnet	Away	5:00	6:00	5:00	6:00
Nov. 21	Salado Tournament	Home	TBA		TBA	
Nov. 23	Liberty Hill	Home	5:00	6:00	5:00	6:00
Nov. 30	Lampasas	Away	19-16	20-26	40-22	58-36
Dec. 10&12	Cameron JH Tournament	Away	TBA		TBA	
Dec. 14	Llano	Away	5:00	6:00	5:00	6:00
Jan. 7	Burnet	Away	5:00	6:00	5:00	6:00
Jan. 14	Liberty Hill	Home	5:00	6:00	5:00	6:00
Jan. 21	Lampasas	Home	5:00	6:00	5:00	6:00
Jan. 23	Holland B Tournament	Away	TBA		TBA	
Jan. 28	Jarrell	Away	5:00	6:00	5:00	6:00
Feb. 1	Llano	Home	5:00	6:00	5:00	6:00

### Salado Eagle Soccer Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TEAMS	TIMES
Dec. 28	Scrimmage Tournament	Salado	Girls V/JV	TBD
Dec. 29	Scrimmage Tournament	Salado	Boys V/JV	TBD
Jan. 1	Killeen Scrimmage Tournament	Girls V		TBD
Jan. 1	Alumni Game	Salado		
Jan. 2	Killeen JV Scrimmage Tournament	Girls JV	TBD	
Jan. 2	Cove Scrimmage Tournament	Boys V/ JV	TBD	
Jan. 4	Temple Scrimmage Tournament	Boys V/JV	TBD	
Jan. 5	Tri-Team Tournament	Cove	Girls V/JV	TBD
Jan. 7-9	Temple Tournament	Temple	Boys V	TBD
Jan. 8-9	Killeen Tournament	Killeen	Girls V	TBD
Jan. 11	Gatesville	Gatesville	Girls & Boys JV	5:00/6:30
Jan. 12	Gatesville	Gatesville	Girls & Boys V	5:00/6:30
Jan. 14-16	Harker Heights 7v7 Tournament	Boys JV	TBD	
Jan. 14-16	Salado Eagle Classic	Salado	Girls V	TBD
Jan. 18	Liberty Hill	Salado	Girls JV	5:00
Jan. 19	Robinson	Robinson	Girls & Boys V	5:30/7:30
Jan. 21-23	Salado Eagle Classic	Salado	Boys V	TBD
Jan. 25	Burnet*	Burnet	Boys & Girls JV	5:00/6:30
Jan. 26	Gateway Prep*	Gateway	Girls V	4:00
Jan. 29	Gonzales	Gonzales	Girls JV/Boys V	4:00/6:00
Feb. 1	Liberty Hill*	Liberty Hill	Girls & Boys JV	4:00/6:30
Feb. 2	Liberty Hill*	Salado	Girls & Boys V	5:30/7:30
Feb. 5	Florence*	Salado	Boys JV	4:00
Feb. 5	Florence*	Salado	Girls & Boys V	5:30/7:30
Feb. 8	Harker Heights	Heights	Girls JV	5:00
Feb. 9	Jarrell*	Salado	Boys JV	4:00
Feb. 9	Jarrell*	Salado	Girls & Boys V	5:30/7:30
Feb. 11	Harker Heights	Salado	Girls JV	5:00
Feb. 12	Academy*	Salado	Girls & Boys V	5:30/7:30
Feb. 16	Lampasas*	Lampasas	JV Boys	4:00
Feb. 16	Lampasas*	Lampasas	Girls & Boys V	5:30/7:30
Feb. 19	Burnet*	Salado	Girls & Boys JV	4:00/5:30
Feb. 19	Gateway Prep*	Salado	Girls V	7:30
Feb. 25	Liberty Hill*	Salado	Girls & Boys JV	4:00/6:30
Feb. 26	Liberty Hill*	Liberty Hill	Boys & Girls V	5:30/7:30
March 3	Gatesville	Gatesville	Girls JV	5:00
March 4	Florence*	Florence	JV Boys	4:00
March 4	Florence*	Florence	Boys & Girls V	5:30/7:30
March 7	Ellison	Ellison	Girls JV	5:00
March 8	Jarrell*	Jarrell	JV Boys	4:00
March 8	Jarrell*	Jarrell	Boys & Girls V	5:30/7:30
March 11	Academy*	Academy	Boys & Girls V	5:30/7:30
March 15	Lampasas*	Salado	Boys JV	4:00
March 15	Lampasas*	Salado	Boys & Girls V	5:30/7:30
March 21	Gatesville	Gatesville	Girls & Boys V	5:30/7:30
	JV District Tournament	TBD	Girls & Boys JV	TBD

\* Denotes District soccer match



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## Shoppers invited to Secret Saturday at Angelic Herbs

What's the secret?? Come in and find out. Angelic Herbs will be having a Secret Saturday event on Dec. 19 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. The event starts with all USA made products at a 20 percent savings. Here at Angelic Herbs, it really is not a secret we choose USA made products first. Come in and enjoy these savings and support our USA. At 2 p.m. the secrets really start. Angelic Herbs will have hourly specials on various lines of products. Want to know what the specials are? You have to check in at the top of every hour to find out. We carry many lines including European Soaps, glow-ology, The Kelly Rae Roberts Collection, Willow Tree, Bendy Necklaces, Grace Notes Wind Chimes, Choffy, Nature Sunshine and more. Haven't finished your Christmas shopping yet? We're here to help with a little something for everyone. C.J. Harbuz is saving the biggest secret for Saturday evening. The secret is in the candle. All day long she will be entering customers for a free drawing at 6 p.m. to win a piece of jewelry valued between \$10- \$200. Customers making purchases will receive additional entries.

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**DECEMBER 17**  
SISD Transfer Student Policy informational meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Salado Intermediate School, Community welcome

**DECEMBER 18**  
Deadline for advertising in the Dec. 24 edition of Salado Village Voice. Completed ads due by Noon, advertising@saladovillagevoice.com

**DECEMBER 19**  
Shop Secret Saturday, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. at Angelic Herbs. info: 947-1909

**DEC 18 - JAN 1**  
Winter Dove Season

**DEC 18 - 20**  
2015 Rifle Hunt at Solana Ranch. info: solanaranch.com or (254) 947-8331.

**DECEMBER 20**  
Brother Billy Johnson will be the guest speaker at Grace Baptist Church, 10 a.m.

**DECEMBER 21 - JAN 1**  
Salado ISD Winter Break

**DECEMBER 19**  
Historic Salado Ghostwalk, 8 p.m.

**DECEMBER 23**  
Deadline for advertising in the Dec. 31 edition of Salado Village Voice. Completed ads due by Noon, advertising@saladovillagevoice.com

**DECEMBER 23**  
Candle Light Service, 7 p.m. at 3C Cowboy Fellowship

**DECEMBER 24 - 25**  
Salado Village Voice offices closed

**DECEMBER 24**  
Christmas Eve Service for Children and Families, 4 p.m. in the Main Sanctuary of Salado United Methodist Church.



Register now for the 3 Kings 3 Miler Fun Run on Jan. 2. Proceeds benefit St. Joseph's Episcopal Church.

**JANUARY 19**  
Salado Rotary Club, 11:30 a.m. at Johnny's Steaks & Barbecue. Judge Jon Burrows will speak on The State of Bell County

**JANUARY 29 - 31**  
Hog Hunt at Solana Ranch. info: solanaranch.com or (254) 947-8331.

**FEBRUARY 4**  
Central Texas Poetry and Prose Readings at Tablerock. Poets from across Central Texas. info: (254) 947-9205 tablerock.org

**FEBRUARY 6 - 7**  
Salado Legends Auditions at Tablerock. info: (254) 947-9205

**FEBRUARY 13 - 14**  
Salado Market Days, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall, 721 Stagecoach Road, behind Dee's Antiques on Main. info: (254) 947-3355

**FEBRUARY 13**  
Valentine's Day Yoga and meditation Workshop, 4:30 - 6 p.m. at The Yoga Room. Single \$20 Couples \$30 Info: (254) 681-7623

**FEBRUARY 18**  
Salado: Jewel in the Crown of Texas advertising deadline. Edition on stands April thru June. info: (254)947-5321

**FEBRUARY 25**  
8th Grade Parent Night, 8 p.m. at Salado Intermediate School Cafeteria

**FEBRUARY 26 - 28**  
Hog Hunt at Solana Ranch. info: solanaranch.com or (254) 947-8331.

**FEBRUARY 27**  
Taste of Salado, Culinary Event and Art Auction at Jack's Barn on Pace Park Road. Tickets at salado.com in Jan.

**MARCH 3**  
SHS College Night 5 - 7:30 p.m. at SHS Cafeteria/Gym

**MARCH 10**  
9th-11th Grade Parent Night 6 p.m. at SHS Cafeteria

**MARCH 12 - 13**  
Salado Market Days, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall, 721 Stagecoach Road, behind Dee's Antiques on Main. info: (254) 947-3355



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**DECEMBER 24**  
Christmas Eve Service, 6 p.m. at Salado Church of Christ

**DECEMBER 24**  
Candlelight Service, 6:30 p.m. at Grace Baptist Church with guest speaker Brother Billy Johnson.

**DECEMBER 27**  
Brother Billy Johnson will be the guest speaker at Grace Baptist Church, 10 a.m.

**DECEMBER 30**  
Deadline for advertising in the Jan. 1 edition of Salado Village Voice. Completed ads due by Noon, advertising@saladovillagevoice.com

**DECEMBER 24**  
Christmas Eve Services at St. Joseph's Episcopal Church will be held at 5 p.m. (Family oriented) and 10 p.m., Mass with incense will conclude the advent celebration.

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3 Kings 3 Miler Fun Run, 8 a.m. at St. Joseph's Episcopal Church. \$30 before Dec. 30. Race day registration \$35. Registration at runsignup.com

**JANUARY 2**  
Ring in the New Year Yoga and meditation Workshop, 4:30 - 6 p.m. at The Yoga Room. Single \$20 Couples \$30 Info: (254) 681-7623

**JANUARY 4**  
Young Writers Contest at Tablerock. Winners will be included in Tablerock's 9th Annual Anthology. info: (254) 947-9205

**JANUARY 7**  
PSAT Parent Night, 5:30 - 7 p.m. at Salado High School Cafeteria

**JANUARY 8**  
2016 Doe Management Hunt at Solana Ranch. info: solanaranch.com or (254) 947-8331.

**JANUARY 10 - 11**  
Salado Market Days, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall, 721 Stagecoach Road, behind Dee's Antiques on Main. info: (254) 947-3355

**JANUARY 10**  
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# Regular Events in Village of Salado

## MONDAYS

**Yoga for Women's Health**, 9 a.m. at The Yoga Room Info: (254) 681-7623.

**Salado Village Artists Stitches & Knitters**, 1 p.m. at Salado Village Artists Building.

**Yoga Basics & Beyond**, 6 p.m. at The Yoga Room. Info: (254) 681-7623.

**Salado Masonic Lodge**, Floor practice is 6:30 p.m. at the Lodge every Monday except Stated Meeting. Stated meeting is 7:30 p.m. Monday on or before Full Moon.

## FIRST MONDAY

**Salado First Monday Gardeners**, 8 a.m. at the Visitor Center.

**Salado Historical Society board meeting**, 6 p.m. at The Baines House.

**Salado FFA Meeting**, 6 p.m. at Salado High School AG building Sept. - May.

**Salado Youth Fair Booster Club meeting**, after the FFA meeting at Salado High School AG building. Info: SYFB-Club@gmail.com

## SECOND MONDAY

**Public Arts League of Salado** open board meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Visitor's Center on Main Street.

**Salado Athletic Boosters Club meeting**, 7 p.m. at the High School Library. Info: saladoathleticboosters.org.

## THIRD MONDAY

**Salado ISD Board of Trustees meeting**, 6 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

## TUESDAYS

**YogaStrong**, 9-10 a.m. at The Yoga Room. Info: (254) 681-7623.

**Salado Village Artists**, Village Art Building, 9:30 a.m.

**Adult game day** at Presbyterian Church of Salado, 10 a.m.

**Sit & Knit**, 10 a.m. - noon at Salado Public Library

**Salado Rotary Club**, 11:30 a.m. at Johnny's Steaks & Barbecue **first three** Tuesdays of month; Roving Social after hours on **fourth Tuesday** of month.

**Chair Yoga**, noon - 1 p.m. at The Yoga Room Info: (254) 681-7623.

**Prix Fixe at The Range**, 5 p.m.- close. \$14.95 for entree, dessert, drink.

**Salado Community Chorus practice**, 6 p.m., Salado Civic Center, unless otherwise noted.

## FIRST TUESDAY

**Salado Village Artists Board Meeting**, 9 a.m. at the Village Art Building.

**Salado 4-H Club meeting**, 6 p.m. at Salado Intermediate Cafeteria, Sept. - May.

## THIRD TUESDAY

**Bell County Genealogical Society Meeting**, 6:30 p.m. at Temple Public Library.



Ring in the New Year Yoga and meditation Workshop at The Yoga Room on Jan. 2.

## WEDNESDAYS

**Yoga for Core**, 8:30 - 9:45 a.m. at The Yoga Room. Info: (254) 681-7623.

**Power Flow Yoga level 1&2**, 6:10-7:10 p.m. at The Yoga Room. Info: (254) 681-7623.

**Belly Dance Class**, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. at The Yoga Room. Info: (254) 681-7623.

**Wine Down Wednesday** at The Range. Half price glasses of wine, staff's choice.

## FIRST WEDNESDAY

**Adult craft group** meets at Salado Public Library, 2 - 4 p.m.

## SECOND WEDNESDAY

**Salado Lions Club**, 11:30 a.m., Salado Civic Center.

## FOURTH WEDNESDAY

**Salado Lions Club**, 11:30 a.m., Salado Civic Center.

## THURSDAYS

**Yoga for healing**, 9am. at The Yoga Room Info: (254) 681-7623.

**Chair Yoga**, noon - 1 p.m. at The Yoga Room Info: (254) 681-7623.

**Hatha Flow levels 1&2**, 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. at The Yoga Room Info: (254) 681-7623.

**Martinis and Manicures** at The Lounge at The Range, 5 p.m.-close. \$25 for 2 ladies night adult beverages, a manicure and a selection of appetizers, space is limited. appointments: 254-947-3828.

**Salado Aldermen meeting**, 6:30 p.m., Municipal building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd. Meeting is open to the public. First and third Thursday are regular meetings and second and fourth Thursday are workshop meetings. **No meeting Dec. 3**

## FIRST THURSDAY

**Chisholm Trail American Business Woman's Association meeting**, 6 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church of Salado.

## SECOND THURSDAY

**Salado Ladies Auxiliary Meeting**, 9:30 a.m. at the Salado United Methodist Church Youth Activities Center.

## THIRD THURSDAY

**Salado Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting**, 8:30 a.m. at the Visitors Center.

**Third Thursday Music Club**, 5 - 8 p.m. at JD's Travel Center. Old time music, acoustic only. Everyone welcome to come play or listen.

## FRIDAYS

**Pop in for a pastry**, 8:15 - 9:30 a.m. at First Community Title.

**Friday Night Special** at Mill Creek Country Club Bar and Grill. Menu changes every week. Call 947-5698.

## FOURTH FRIDAY

**Fourth Friday Gospel Singing**, 7 p.m. at First Cedar Valley Baptist Church on FM 2843. Pot luck to follow, bring a favorite dish or dessert.

## SATURDAYS

**Hatha Flow Levels 1 & 2**, 8:30-9:30 a.m. at The Yoga Room. Info: (254) 681-7623

**Live music in The Lounge**, upstairs at The Range Restaurant on Main St., 7 p.m. Artists change weekly. Check website for details.

## FIRST & THIRD SATURDAY

**Trudy's Closet**, 8 a.m. at Grace Baptist Church

## THIRD SATURDAY

**Bell County Star Party**, 8:30 - 11:30 p.m. at Overlook Park, Stillhouse Hollow Lake on FM1670. Central Texas Astronomical Society. info: centexastronomy.org.

## SUNDAYS

**Open discussion Al-Anon Meeting**, 6 p.m. Salado United Methodist Church Youth Activities Center.

**Hatha Therapy**, 3 - 4 p.m. at The Yoga Room. Info: (254) 681-7623

## SECOND WEEKENDS

**Salado Market Days**, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall, 721 Stagecoach Road. Salado's original Market Days event. info: (254) 947-3355.

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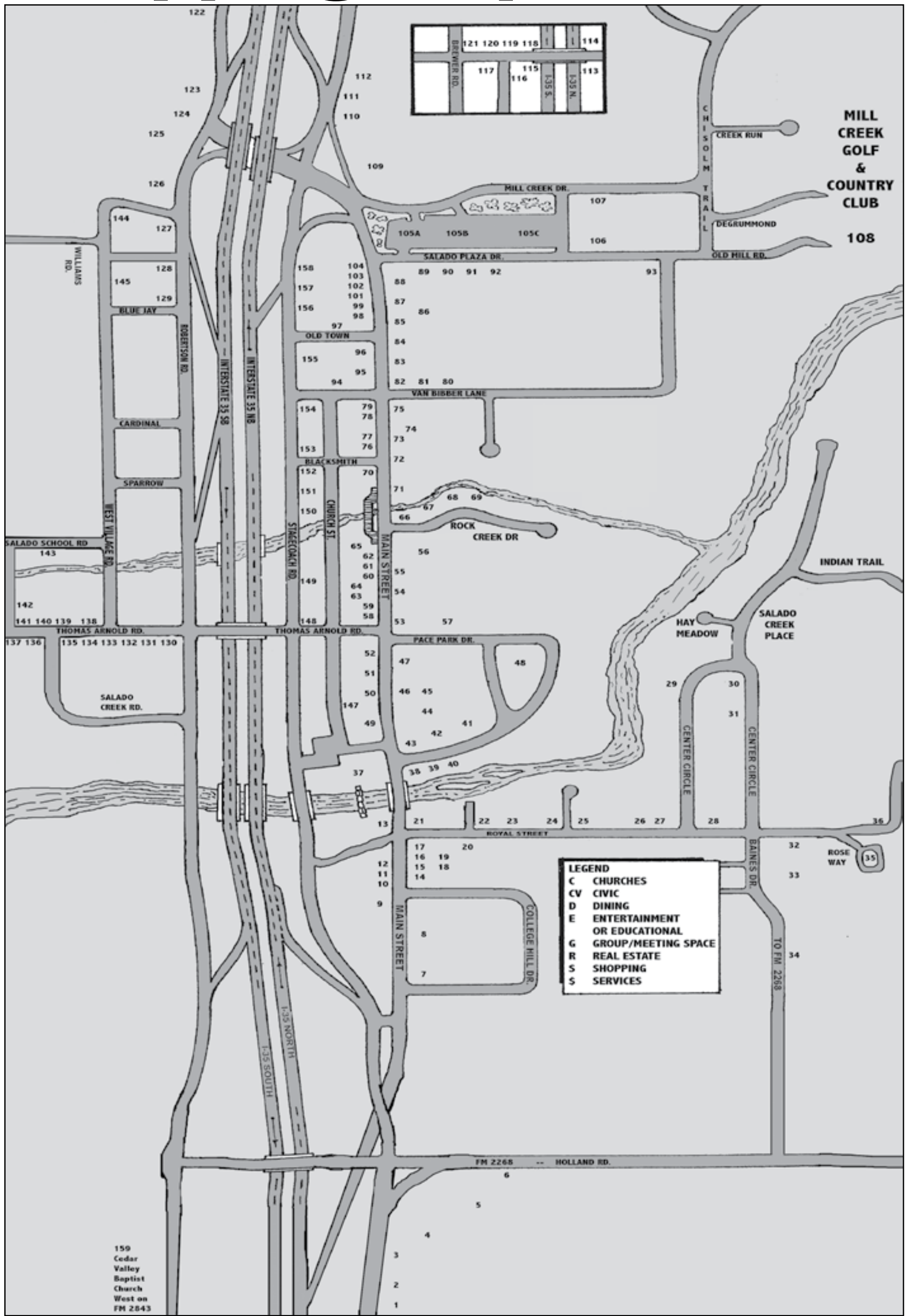
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| 5. Wildfire Ranch Arena 877-947-9988 E                           | 61. Salado Creek Jewelers by Kiki 254-855-5538 S | 102. Subway 254-947-5593 D                               | 148. Salado Baptist Church Youth Activities Center 254-947-3610 D |
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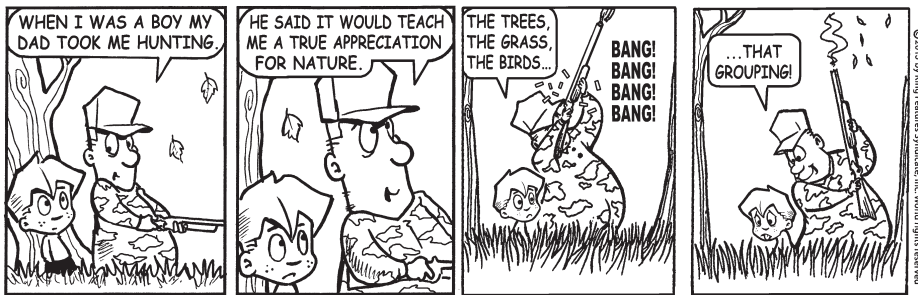
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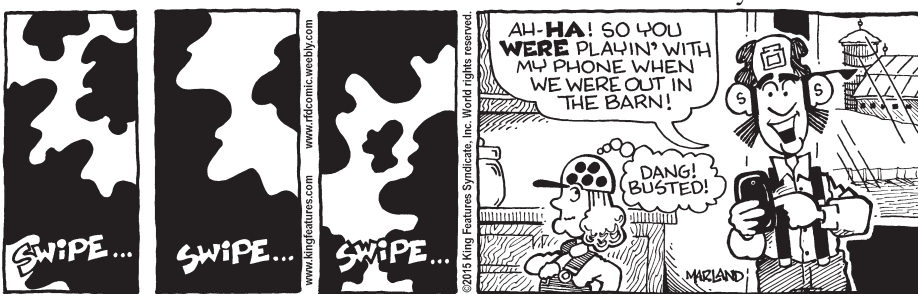
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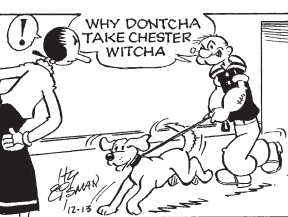
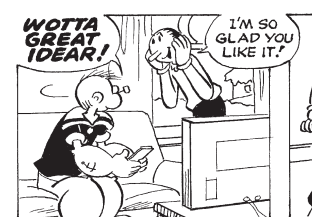
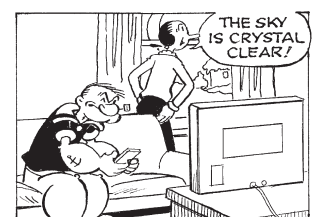
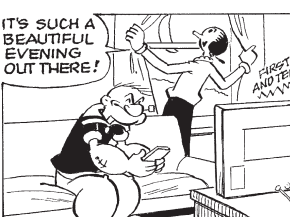
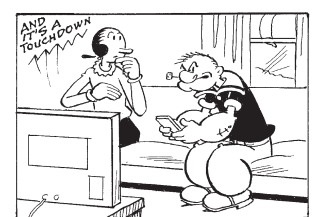
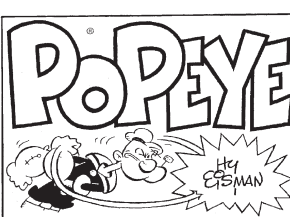
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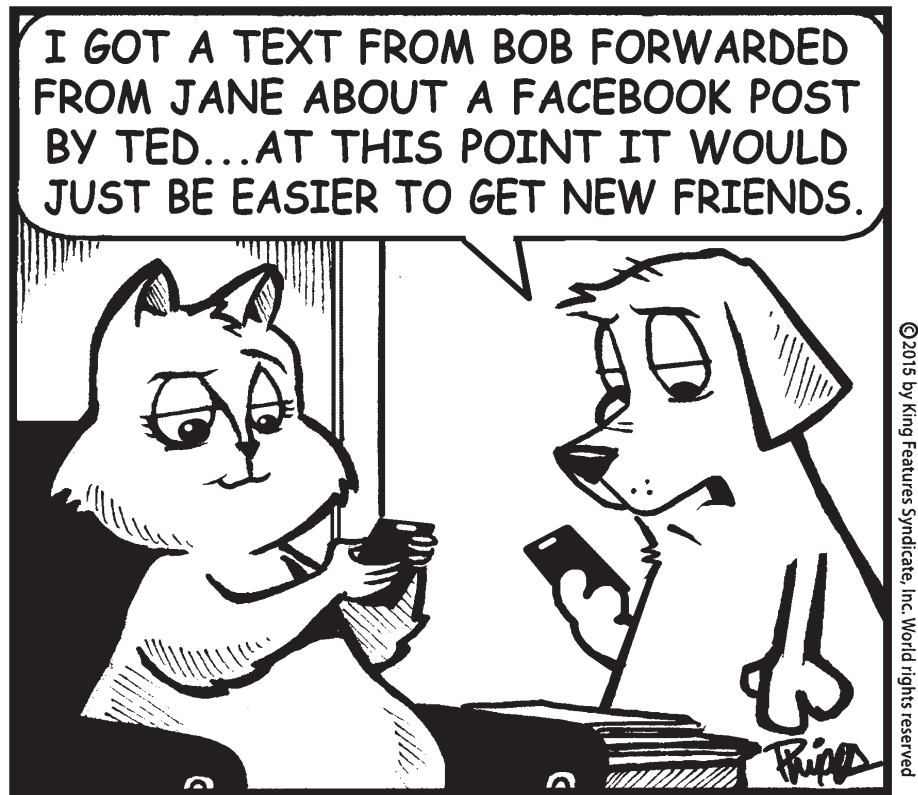
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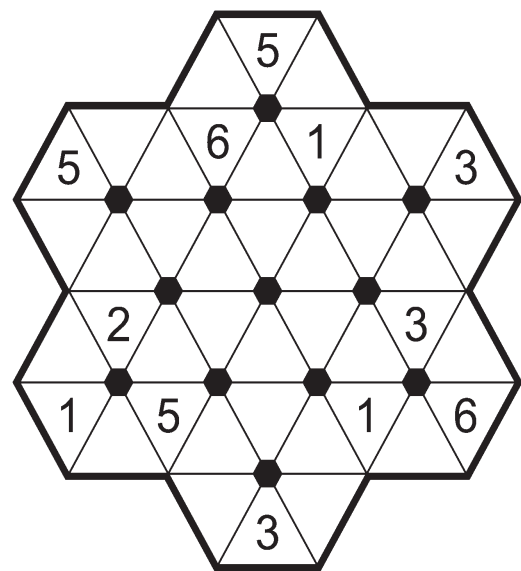
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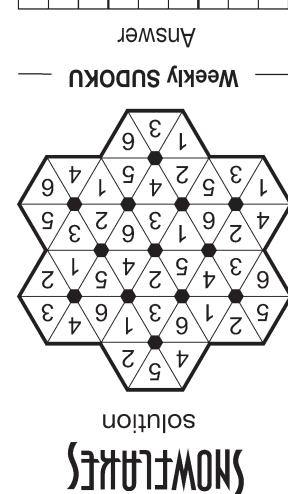
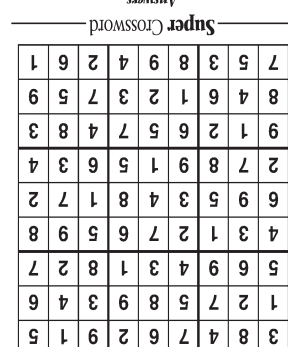
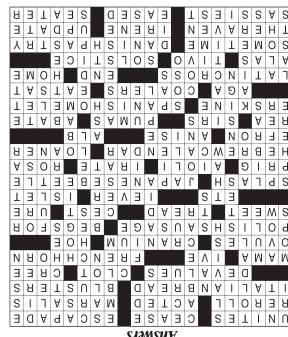
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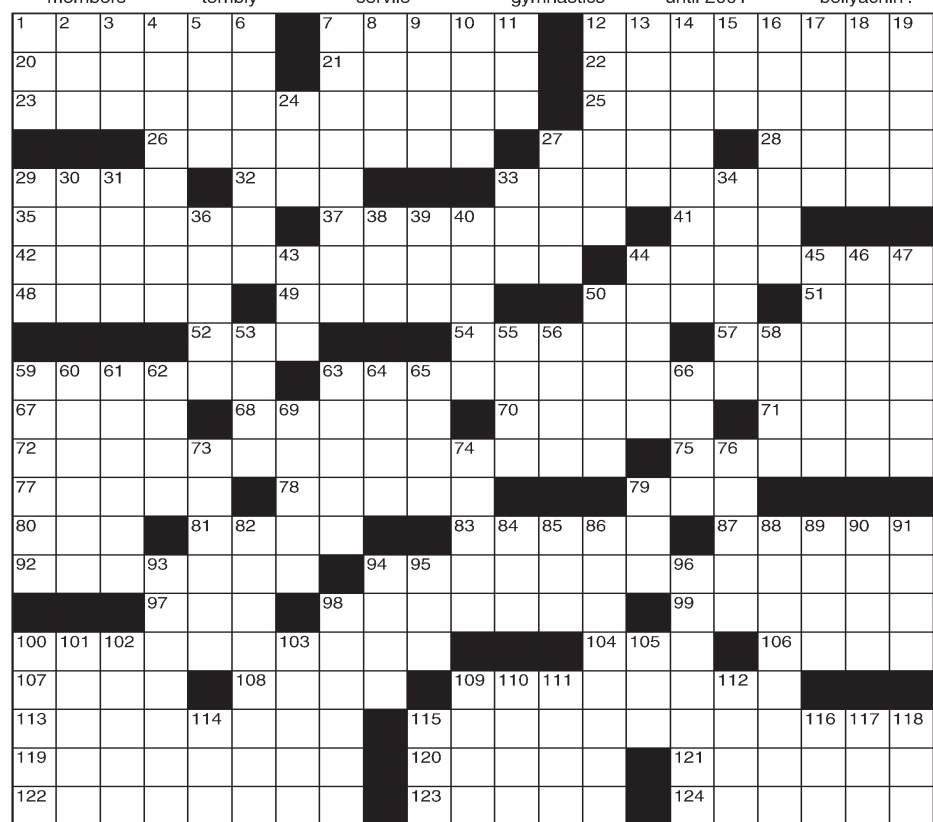
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  - 7 Refrain from
  - 12 Wild prank
  - 20 Toss again, as dice
  - 21 Took steps
  - 22 Wynton of jazz trumpet
  - 23 PANE
  - 25 Blows stormily, as wind
  - 26 Lessens in worth
  - 27 Congeal
  - 28 Plains tribe
  - 29 Baby's first word, maybe
  - 32 "— heard worse"
  - 33 CORNE
  - 35 Rudimentary seeds
  - 37 Skull
  - 41 Weed-chopping tool
  - 42 KIELBASA
  - 44 Requests desperately
  - 48 Sugary
  - 49 Car tire's outer layer
  - 50 "— la vie"
  - 51 Suffix with press or prefect
  - 52 UFO crew members
  - 54 "How can — thank you?"
  - 57 Archipelago part
  - 59 Result of a belly flop
  - 63 KOUCHUU
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  - 70 Howling mad
  - 71 Artist
  - 72 LUACH
  - 75 Shylock, e.g.
  - 77 Actor/singer
  - 78 Pizzelle
  - 79 Eur. country or Can. province
  - 80 Stephen of "The Heavy"
  - 81 Old letter salutation
  - 83 Mountain cats
  - 87 Tail off
  - 92 "Tobacco Road" novelist
  - 94 TORTILLA
  - 97 — Khan (Islamic title)
  - 98 Ships
  - 99 Troubles terribly
  - 100 CRUX
  - 104 Finish
  - 106 With 90-Down, side in a game that's not visiting
  - 107 "How sad!"
  - 108 DVR brand
  - 109 Summer starts with one
  - 113 At an unknown point in the future
  - 115 BAGVAERK
  - 119 Poe poem
  - 120 Dunne of film
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  - 123 Slacked off
  - 124 Usher, often
  - 7 Tramway vehicle
  - 8 Light tan
  - 9 To — (exactly)
  - 10 Adriatic and Baltic
  - 11 Roush of the Reds
  - 12 Symbol
  - 13 Beauty shop
  - 14 They're leaned on for support
  - 15 Horse cousin
  - 16 Eye covers
  - 17 New Olds of 1999
  - 18 More terrible
  - 19 Ruhr city
  - 24 Of warships: Abbr.
  - 27 Rock's Mötley —
  - 29 Swabs
  - 30 Declare openly
  - 31 Equine hybrid
  - 33 Pear-shaped false fruit
  - 34 Immobilize at a rodeo
  - 36 Will of "Blue Bloods"
  - 38 Wish to undo
  - 39 Simile center
  - 40 Comaneci of gymnastics
  - 43 Holy people: Abbr.
  - 44 Flat cap
  - 45 Steamboat pioneer
  - 46 Robert
  - 47 Rip anew
  - 50 Labor activist
  - 53 Warm up
  - 55 Writer
  - 56 Wang of fashion
  - 58 Medicinal fluids
  - 59 Orb
  - 60 Opt for first
  - 61 Many babies born in fall
  - 62 Farming-related prefix
  - 63 Rivers and Baez
  - 64 "For — know ..."
  - 65 Pizzeria orders
  - 66 Toll producer
  - 69 Statement of empathy
  - 73 Pulver's rank
  - 74 Sherpa land
  - 76 Hawaii-born president
  - 79 Burning residue
  - 82 Dormant
  - 84 "A," in Brest
  - 85 Earth orbiter until 2001
  - 86 Gauged
  - 88 Suburb of Washington, D.C.
  - 89 To boot
  - 90 See 106-Across
  - 91 Smurf or Rock suffix
  - 93 Old Austrian emperors
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  - 95 Speaker systems, for short
  - 96 Sphinx riddle solver
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  - 100 Makes it
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  - 102 Instills docility in
  - 103 Singer
  - 104 LeAnn
  - 105 — power
  - 109 Actress
  - 110 Tip jar items
  - 111 Queue (up)
  - 112 Bullfight wear
  - 114 — chi (martial art)
  - 115 Stop existing
  - 116 Rat-a-—
  - 117 Traveler's path: Abbr.
  - 118 "Quit — bellyachin!"



Planning the play

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

The outcome of many deals depends on whether or not declarer times his plays correctly. For example, take this case where West leads the diamond queen against four hearts. After taking the trick with dummy's king, how should declarer proceed?

The first thing he must do is count his losers. This reveals that he may lose a spade, a heart, a diamond and two clubs. He then begins to think in terms of how to avoid at least two of these losers.

South sees at once that, come what may, he must lose a spade trick. But he also sees that if he is very lucky, he might not lose another trick! If East has the queen of hearts and king of clubs, a couple of finesses will neutralize them. South also can get rid of his diamond loser by forcing out the ace of spades and later discarding a diamond on one of dummy's high spades. Fi-

East dealer. North-South vulnerable.

- NORTH**
- ♦ K Q 6 2
  - ♥ J 7 4
  - ♠ A K 7 3
  - ♣ 9 4
- WEST**
- ♦ 10 8 7 4
  - ♥ Q 3 2
  - ♠ Q J
  - ♣ K 10 8 2
- EAST**
- ♦ A 9 3
  - ♥ 6 5
  - ♠ 10 9 6 4
  - ♣ J 7 6 3
- SOUTH**
- ♦ J 5
  - ♥ A K 10 9 8
  - ♠ 8 5 2
  - ♣ A Q 5

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
Pass	1♥	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♥	Pass	4♥

Opening lead — queen of diamonds.

nally, his third club can be ruffed in dummy.

But South isn't in six spades, and so must put his thoughts in proper order just to ensure making 10 tricks. Clearly, the most pressing matter is to try to avoid the diamond loser before the defenders can establish their trick in that suit.

Declarer therefore leads a low spade from dummy at trick two. Let's say he wins with the jack and plays another spade to dummy's queen. East takes his ace and returns

a diamond to dummy's ace.

After discarding his diamond loser on the king of spades, South proceeds to the next order of business and finesses the queen of clubs. This loses to West's king, and back comes the ten of spades. South ruffs, cashes the ace of clubs and trumps a club with dummy's seven.

Next comes a trump finesse, which (unluckily) loses to West's queen. However, South makes the contract even though both finesses lost. Observe, though, that had he attempted either finesse before leading a spade at trick two, he would have gone down one. His plays had to be timed perfectly.

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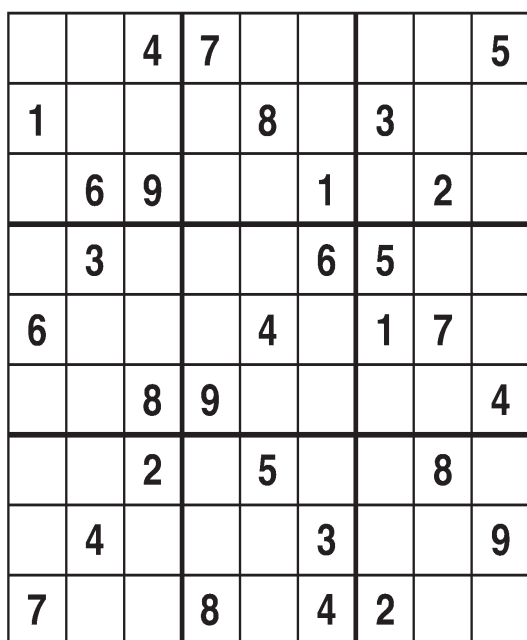


- COMICS: In the comic strip "Peanuts," where was Snoopy born?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of unicorns known as?
- FAMOUS QUOTATIONS: Who once said, "When a man knows he is to be hanged in a fortnight, it concentrates his mind wonderfully"?
- U.S. STATES: The Mystic River flows through which U.S. state?
- MEDICAL: What is the medical name for a condition known as "the bends"?
- ASTRONOMY: Which planets in our Solar System are known as the gas giants?
- TELEVISION: Who did the character named Lurch work for?
- HISTORY: Where was Martin Luther King assassinated in 1968?
- GEOGRAPHY: Where are the Balearic Islands located?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What would a vexillologist study?

- Answers**
- Daisy Hill Puppy Farm
  - A blessing
  - Samuel Johnson
  - Massachusetts
  - Decompression sickness (also known as divers' disease)
  - Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune
  - "The Addams Family"
  - Memphis, Tenn.
  - Mediterranean Sea (Majorca, Minorca, Ibiza and Formentera)
  - Flags
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging ★★★ HOO BOY!

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Each Christmas *Salado Village Voice* prints letters to Santa written by third graders at Salado Intermediate School. Great care is taken to preserve the spelling and punctuation.

**Mrs. Jordan's Class**

Dear Santa,  
My name is Ayden I'm 8 years old I live in Jarrell Tx. What kind of cookie do you like? Are the Elves working so hard? Thank you for getting me Disney Infinity 200. We got 3.0 now yaaaaa! I want bumper balls 3 of them so the boys and I can fight. I want the Avengers Lego tower so I can play with it. Last I want Lego Wayne manor so I can play with it too. I have a small chimney may be sneak through the door.  
Sincerely, Ayden

Dear Santa,  
I am really excited about Christmas this year. I want to try to hear you on my roof. Can your elves get sick and do you live in a house or a huge building of some sort? Thank you for that lego set that you gave to me last year it came in good use. For Christmas I would like a computer so I can play with my brother and I would also like a x-box game called Minecraft story mode because it is so awesome. And I would also like some type of stuffed animal to snuggle with. We have a fence in front of my fireplace that is under my chimney so just put the fence back up after.  
Sincerely, Ian

Dear Santa,  
I am 9 years old. My favorite color is blue. What is your favorite cookie ever? How is Mrs. Claus? Thank you for all the things you bring and presents. For Christmas I want a computer, iPad, and a dog. I want a computer because my whole family has one and I don't. And I want a dog because every body has them but me. I want iPad because I

do not no actly. if you wear a loud nose, do not worry it is just my mom snoreing.  
Your best friend, Madison

Dear Santa,  
I am 8 years old. I am excited Christmas is here. What is it like in the north pole? thank you for the drums last year. This year I want an Avengers lego set, the hole diary of wimpy kid series, and the Jurassic world video game. I feel happy this year. if you here noises it is my dog's.  
Sincerely, Richard

Dear Santa,  
My name is marco I am 8 years old and am 3 feet tall I want a fone and a ps four controller and coll of dote of vans worz far. I wun't a fun Becus I don't have one. I want a Ps four citeroler so me and my Bruthere can play together. and I wun't coll of Dote of vans wor far so me and my Brethers have a nuthere game. PS u and a dog becuses my other wun died. Watch out for my cats they mite scratch.  
Sincerely, Marco

Dear Santa,  
I'm 8 years old. How are you doing? Thank you for my guitar last year. This year I would like. A watch so I can tell what time it is. Call of duty Advaised war fair. So I have some thing to do when it's raining. My dog lizzy is old, but mean be careful.  
Sincerely, Hayden

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am now 9. I have a dog named Aggie. I am so excited about Christmas. How is Rudolph? How many Elvs do you have? Thank you for my kindle fire HD7. For this Christmas I would like: Lego mincraft, the minons movie and a Hot wheel 4 wheelr. Oh I almost forgot do not go into my mom's and dad's room my dog Aggie has her eyes open preety much the whole night.  
Love your freind, Gabe

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am 8 years old and I'm excited for Christmas! How old are you and what type of cookies do you like? Thank you for the tablet, american girl doll, and the vest that you gave me last year. What I want this year is a pair of roller skates. My fire place dosent have a chimney and both doors have a alarm.  
Sincerely, Isabela

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am 9 years old. How are the elves? Is it a busy sesan? I want a football game, clothes, and hat's because I like football and I like hat's and clothes. How is Rudolph? does his nose. Still light up red? To Santa Claus. You have nothing to worry about my dogs don't bite.  
Love, Isaac

Dear Santa,  
I am now 9 yaers old. I have a few questions for you. Is it cold in the North Pole? How long does it take to deliver presents? I want for Christmas is another rel dog a rel dog! Becus I already have 1 dog. I want a DS becus when I play games I dont get bord. And look owt my dog pento will bite. Creep in quiltey.  
Love, Galilea

Dear Santa,  
Santa, I'm 8 and about to be 9 I'm so excited for Christmas. Be quiet please my dad sleeps on the couch. And I don't have a chimney. can I get a green razor scuder some one took my scuder and I rely like lego games can I please have a lego De mintions Thank you.  
Love, Layton

Dear Santa,  
My name is Ewan im 9 years old. Can you go through A Lock chimney? Whats your favorite cookie? Thanks for the motorcycle last year and the metal detector. This year I

want a motorcycle Alienware laptop and cod3 Holiday Edistion I warn you I have dogs that bark at strangers.  
Love, Ewan

Dear Santa,  
I am 9 years old I have Blond hair how are the elfs? Santa you are nice. I want a Blue Heeler. They are cut and cutly. Blue dose bite. Watch out for my toys in my yard.  
Love, Cade

Dear Santa,  
I've been good and very nice. Whats your ravorite cookie? By the way thank you for all my gifts last year. For my wish list this year. this year I would like a brand new basketball, a life size toy car, and a puppy named LuLu. But I'm warning you my dog sammy lerkas around the house and she has a loud bark. Merry Christmas.  
Sincerely, Mason

Dear Santa,  
I like to find prsints under my tree Christmas morning. How are your raindeer doing? 3 things on my list are a Laptop, horse, and a kitten. the reson I want a Laptop is so I can play very cool games. the reson I want a horse is so I can ride it around my farm. Last but not least why I want a kitten is to cuddle with it and here it meow. oh and santa bewhere of my dog belly she may bite.  
Your friend, Brooke

Dear Santa,  
How are the Raindeer? I hope they don't have the flu. Thank you for all those years. Santa I would like new games like call of duty 3 and halo 5. I would like these games because they have a lot of action. Be careful for air plains, hallowcopters, and mud.  
Love your, fraind Justin  
Dear St. Nick,

I am 8 years old and I have brown curly hair. How is Rudolph doing lighting up the night? What is your fav cookie? I want a dog for my dog to play with! So she will not be lonely! And a doggie Doo game in case you don't what that is. It is a game you get to put playdo in the ddogs mouth and roll dice. And what ever your number is you sewees the lesh and some of the playdo comes out. And if it comes out of your turn you get it. PS : fav means favorite. and please get my dog a bone. PSS: I want a Ipad.  
Sincerely, Juliana

Dear Santa,  
I am 9 years old we do not have a chimney my be you can you get in through the door. last year I got a Ds with 10 games and a phone and also a Barbie. This year I would want a computer with mincraft on it and an elektric zoom kitty. I would want a 700m kitty Because I can play with it with my Baby sister And last thing a tablet so i can download a lot of games oh and be careful with my dogs. tell miss Claus I said hi and how is Rudolph what kind of cookie do you like?  
Your best friend, Vanessa

Dear Santa,  
I am 9 years old. I am a little bit of a hot head. What is it like at the north pole? What do the ranedeer eat? Oh how is miss. Claus? Will you say hi to Miss Claus for me? Thank you so so so much. And my wish list is: a juter and a nut-crer and that is it. But watch out for my big sisters dog sofee. She is not traned. Sofee is also not potty trained!  
Love, your friend Hope

Dear Santa Claus,  
Hi my name is Ty. This is the guy who sends you a letter every year. How are your elves doing? Thank you for bringing us presents last year. And thank you for filling my stocking up. For Christmas I would like legos. And may I have aros for my boa. And for legos could you get the pack with a rocket ship for me please.  
Sincerely, Ty

Dear Santa,  
My name is Lindsay. I live in Salado. How do you have enough presents for the whole world? Do your reindeer ever get tired of flying? Thank you for always bringing presents every year. We still celabrate Christmas every year. For Christmas if you can make this with your elves for Christmas I want a Star Wars Toys. The big arlo, iPhone sirt for Christmas. Oh Just saying one of my dogs barks one of them attack Just saying be-

How are your elves doing send my a pic please? Thank you for staying up all night. For Christmas I want the deer hunter action figer please. Be awere awere of Izzy, Arllie and all of the oter anamlals.  
Love, Mason

Dear Santa Claus,  
Hellow my name is Rylee. I love gymnais! How are you doing? Thank you for the presents. I wish I had a puppy and a hamster and 1 more thing I want a stuffed animal. I am warning you to not touch my striped cat named Zeebra because she is fisty!!!  
Sincerely, Rylee

Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Madeline. I'm gonna move houses. When's chappy coming? Thank you so much for the wonderful presents. For Christmas I would like shopkins, and a microphone, and a bouncy chair. Beware we always leave you cookies, and milk. and we always leave the reindeer's reindeer food! Oh, and I love gymstastics, and I like any arts and crafts! Because I love arts and crafts.  
Sincerely, Madeline

Hi I'm a girl and I'm 8. I also live in Salado. Do you get presents to? Thank you for fun toys every year. Can I please have Disney Infinity characters and swap force for a PS4. Watch out for my dog Benson because he growls and Bites strangers.  
Love, Giselle

Dear Santa,  
My name is Sydney. I am nine years old. Do only you and your elves live in the north pole? Thank you for the time you take to come to ever home. And for my preients. I do not rely know what I want for Christmas if you were wondering. But I can tell you you I like the colers purple, maron, and teqeis. And I love dogs. Maybe that can give you a idea? Oh, and I have a gass chimney. Thank you santa.  
Love, Sydney

Hi my name is Betzi. I love Softball. How are your raindeer doing? How are you doing. Thank you for making persents for us! For Christmas I would like shopkins 30. Teacher stuff, baunsy chair, a longhorn blanket and self on the elf. Be careful for my dog grampa and Odi.  
Love, Betzi

Dear Santa,  
My name is Townes. I live in Salado. I lik football and soccer. How do you go to millions of houses in one day? How is rudolf doing? Thank you for bring me, my brother and my sister presents. Thank you for not disturbing my dog. I would like a Lawrance taylor jersey please. I would like to ask for a world globe please. Be careful of my dog sam. My dog is very mean to others she doesn't know. My dad will protect me is somebody breaks in. So be careful. And our sidewalk is slipery. If you don't be careful.  
Sincerely, Townes

Dear Santa Claus,  
I live in Slado, Texas. I like to Dance. How Long does it take for you to make the toys? How do you deliver all the toys to the kids? Thank you for giving me presents. I would please like American girl Doll mallean. Also amari-can girl July bunny and bed. You have to beaware of my puppy Lacey.  
Love, Shelby.

I live in Salado Tx. When will the elfs come back? How do you get around the world in one night? Thank you for the big drumsticks last year. This year can I please have... A skywalker, Rhino fire nerf gun, Also some more bu-lets for nerf. Thank you also you might need to watch out for feighter my cat she may scratch you!  
Sincerely, Harrison

and don't worry we will turn off the fire place.  
Love, Lindsay

Dear Santa Claus,  
Minombre es isaac. amy me gusta jugar a futbol basquebol y Futbol americano. Pera casino cajuego. Yo bibo en yerros. garcias por todo. Quiro un bolor de baquet bol un traca de con tros remoto. Tego perros y gallianas y un caballo. Cudado porque te puden porder o acerte a 100 te pude ladra ragunar.  
From, Isaac  
Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Mia. I live in Jerall Texas. My favit thang to is cook can you cook thank you for Delirring prezents evry year to My. I would like to have a new citchin and some tools I have.  
From, Mia

I have a key for you at my grandmais. A I would leave so Karoits for the rain deer if you would like that? And thank you for the nice notes to me. I rely need a thang to hold my shoes, aflat bill hat, and high tops, please let the raindeer eat the karoits.  
Love, Brodie

Hi! My name is Korbin and I live in Salado. I love baseball and football. Do you like baseball or football? Can you play baseball in the snow. Do you like sports, too? Thank you for bringing me and my sisters presents every year. Can I have a small bouncey net that can fit in my room so I can throw my football at it I always wanted one, please? Can I have a new basketball, please? Can I have an Under Armour jacket please? Just saying my sisters are really nice. My mom and dad are very nice, too.  
Sincerely, Korbin

My name is Daniel and I live in Salado. I have a family. Do you have a family? Do you have super magic powers? How Do your reindeer fly? Do you have a reindeer with a baright red nose? Thank you for bringing me and my sisters givded every year! For Christmas I want a new bigger, my size, and a new bike. I want a new ds but I want to be a 3ds. And last I want A Lego batman and Robin wingship. You have too be careful because when you open the door, on the right there is a door and that's were my mom and dad and baby sister sleep.  
Sincerely, Daniel

I'm a crazy sleeper so kinda be careful. And I love ghyrnastics to. How is Mrs Claus doing? Do you like any sport's? Thank you for the clothes from last year. If you can't do this it is okay, I would like some new American girl stuff. And some new clothes warm but Sporty stuff to. But you dont' have to do it. Im going to warn you that I have a dog and two cat's and the fish so be careful please. And be careful of the trees by chimney. And it is a long drop so be careful pleasee.  
Your friend, Harper

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5:40 p.m., 300 Block Thomas Arnold. Injured Deer or Animal. Possible rabid or sick skunk, would not leave the parking lot and door area of the building. Skunk was disposed of.  
Dec. 8  
3:57-4:06 p.m., 1200 Block Fairway. Hazardous Materials, caller detects odor of gas in residence. SVFD checked residence. No gas build up detected. Possible stove/electrical issue. Clear.  
Dec. 9  
4:02-4:08 p.m., SB

I-35 MM 285. Crash, caller struck object on highway. Located on NB service road. Flat tire from debris and curb. No collision occurred. Blue forms issues. Clear.  
5:21-5:32 p.m., 1200 Block Mill Creek Dr. Welfare Concern. Caller concerned that they haven't heard from resident in two days. Residence vacated. Attempted contact with caller. No answer, voice-mail left. Clear.  
Dec. 10  
11:03-11:05 p.m., 300 Block College St. Family Violence, caller states domestic occurring at above address. Possible issue of depression. Suicidal statement made.

Subject EOD'd. No assault occurred, domestic issue was verbal only. Report.  
4:25-4:23 p.m., Oak Park at FM 2268. Stray, caller states two dogs loose at above location. Area checked. Unable to locate.  
Dec. 11  
12:07 a.m., 1000 Block W. Village. Civil Matter, civil advise given. Caller was concerned about non payment on a contract job.  
Dec. 12  
11:11 p.m., 900 Block N. Robertson. Robbery, Armed Robbery at Bush's Chicken. Report.  
4:10 p.m., 1200 Block S. Ridge. Civil Matter, civil advise given for contract labor job.

## TMA: Insurance merger would limit patient choice, raise cost

A proposed supersize merger in the Texas health insurance market raises concerns about fewer health care options and higher costs for patients, according to Texas Medical Association's (TMA's) Texas Medicine magazine. Aetna seeks to acquire Humana Inc. in a deal focused largely on buying up Humana's Medicare Advantage business. If the \$37 billion Aetna-Humana merger is approved, the newly combined entity would have a significant impact across Texas — and 13 other states — likely enhancing Aetna's market power to concerning levels per the federal government's own standards, according to a comprehensive American Medical Association (AMA) analysis. Aetna and Humana stand among the top five commercial payers in Texas, along with Health Care Service Corporation (the parent company of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas), United Healthcare, and Cigna. (Cigna is part of another proposed merger of health insurance giants, as Anthem Inc. looks to take over the carrier for \$50 billion.) Already, health insurance markets in Texas and across the country are highly concentrated into the hands of a few plans. The new Aetna-Humana entity would

control nearly three-quarters of the private HMO insurance market in Houston, and 36 percent of the Medicare Advantage market across Texas, according to AMA. Based on similar health insurance mergers over the past 20 years, TMA physicians worry Texas patients would encounter a shrinking choice of doctors within their health insurance networks, and higher insurance premiums and deductibles. Physicians assert any supposed benefits would come at doctors' and patients' expense in the form of take-it-or-leave-it payment contracts and take-it-or-leave-it insurance premiums, because the proposed new health insurance giant's dominant commercial insurance market share would wield all control. Doctors therefore no longer would be able to negotiate contracts beyond accepting or not accepting whatever the insurer offered. That "really affects the quality and availability of care because physicians are disempowered to be effective advocates for our patients," said Houston neurologist William Gilmer, MD. He said he already feels that squeeze. "It goes without saying it's dominated and completely monopolized by big health plans here." The Aetna-Humana

merger would increase the combined company's power in Texas as a whole and in several commercial market segments, according to a TMA breakdown of AMA data. Using U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) and Federal Trade Commission antitrust and horizontal merger guidelines to analyze the merger, the consolidation would be considered likely to enhance market power: In the El Paso, San Antonio, and Corpus Christi metropolitan areas for the combined HMO, PPO, and point-of-service plan markets; In the Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, Austin-Round Rock, and San Antonio metropolitan areas for the HMO market; and In the El Paso, San Antonio, Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, Corpus Christi, Fort Worth-Arlington, Austin-Round Rock, Victoria, and Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood metropolitan areas for the PPO market. The merger also would raise significant competitive concerns in more than a dozen other areas of the state. The Aetna-Humana merger will go through a lengthy federal approval process, and if cleared, would not complete until the end of 2016.




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# TxDOT 'Plan while you can' for sober rides this holiday season

Impaired driving campaign seeks to curb increase in holiday fatalities due to alcohol

The Texas Department of Transportation's "Plan While You Can" campaign urges party goers to plan for a sober ride this holiday season. The campaign runs through Jan. 1, 2016 and coincides with an increase in DUI patrols and enforcement.

"The holidays are a time of celebration and family, but they also require responsible decisions and planning if alcohol is involved," said TxDOT Executive Director LtGen Joe Weber, USMC (Ret). "Our goal is to save families from the heartbreak of losing a loved one. Finding a sober ride is easy and it can save you from being arrested, injured or killed. There is no excuse for drinking

and driving." During last year's holiday season (Dec. 1, 2014 - Jan. 1, 2015) there were 2,412 alcohol-related traffic crashes in Texas, resulting in 190 serious injuries and 110 fatalities. This was nearly an 8-percent increase in alcohol-related traffic fatalities over the previous holiday season. Central to the "Plan While You Can" campaign is a statewide tour featur-

ing an interactive dodgeball game that uses custom gaming technology to replicate the effects of alcohol on a person's reflexes. As participants play, virtual drinks are added and the players' on-screen avatars become less able to dodge incoming "snowballs." The game demonstrates how even one drink can slow reaction times. Additionally, TxDOT is hosting a contest on its

Facebook, Twitter and Instagram social media accounts. Participants who tag up to three friends in a tweet or a post with the hashtag #PlanWhileYouCan will be entered into a giveaway for a donated gift card from a retailer, restaurant or entertainment venue. To enter and learn more, follow TxDOT on its social media accounts. As always, TxDOT strongly encourages every-

one to plan for a sober ride before going out. Visit SoberRides.org to find alternatives to drinking and driving, such as: Calling a taxi or using a transportation app on your smartphone; Using mass transit; Asking a sober friend or family member for a ride home; Staying put.

# Spread cheer, not the flu, say physicians

Many people consider the holidays a time for spreading love and cheer, not the flu. But physicians say the increase in holiday gatherings, traveling, and shopping in crowds could provide the perfect environment for spreading influenza. That's why Texas physicians, along with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, urge people to get their yearly flu shot before they visit their loved ones this December.

"It's time again for everyone to make a strong effort to get the flu shot. Anyone 6 months or older will benefit by being vaccinated against the most

common strains for the season," says Sherif Zaafran, MD, chair of the Texas Medical Association's (TMA's) Council on Health Promotion.

Texas physicians say the annual flu shot is the best way to ensure gifts — and not influenza — are what families exchange this winter. It is especially important for the elderly and those who are around infants and people with compromised immune systems to get the vaccine to protect themselves and others.

"The benefits of the flu shot far outweigh any potential minor inconvenience. All of us being

vaccinated also helps protect those who can't be vaccinated because of their age or weak immune system," says Dr. Zaafran, a Houston anesthesiologist.

Even for people not visiting the very old or very

young this season, Dr. Zaafran says a flu shot still should be on their pre-holiday to-do list because influenza can have dangerous consequences for anybody, including healthy people.

"For those of us who

believe that the flu is not that big of a deal, let's not forget how many folks, even the young and healthy, become critically ill from this disease," he says.

Since it takes two weeks for the vaccine to

kick in fully, physicians say now is the time to get vaccinated against influenza.

"Be wise, and immunize," says Dr. Zaafran.

# Temple College to offer professional development opportunities in early 2016

The Temple College Division of Business and Continuing Education is offering several courses this winter to prepare individuals for enhanced careers in human resource management, payroll and information technology.

Essentials of Human Resource Management, which is offered in partnership with the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) and its local chapter Central Texas Human Resource Management Association (CTHRMA), will meet on four consecutive Thursday evenings from 5:30 - 9:15 p.m., beginning Jan.

21 and concluding Feb. 11. This course is ideal for anyone who oversees the work of others, including small business owners, as well as for those in an HR career or seeking one. The \$419 fee includes the course materials. Participants should register by Jan. 13 to avoid a \$75 late fee.

The Human Resource Management Academy, which uses the SHRM Learning System for certification exam preparation, is primarily for HR professionals. This intensive 40-classroom hour course begins and ends with a two-hour Tuesday evening

session on Feb. 16 and May 24. Six, six-hour Saturday sessions occur in between. The \$1,145 fee includes the SHRM Learning System print and online resources as well as lunch for each of the six Saturday sessions. Participants should register by Feb. 5 to avoid a \$75 late fee.

The Payroll Professional Academy, Part II: PayTrain Mastery, a six-session Saturday course, begins Feb. 6, and concludes April 9. This advanced course is offered in partnership with the American Payroll Association and is ideal for those preparing for the Certified Payroll Professional (CPP) certification exam. Registrants must have completed the PayTrain Fundamentals class or


have the FPC certification. The \$795 fee includes the PayTrain Mastery learning resources, as well as lunch each session. Participants should register by Jan. 27 to avoid a \$75 late fee.

A class on Cisco Router Configuration will meet on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6 -10 p.m. beginning Jan. 19 and concluding March 10. The course provides an introduction to router configuration for local and wide area networks. The course fee is \$325.

All classes will be held in Berry Hall on the main Temple College campus in Temple. For additional information, or to register, visit [www.templejc.edu/BCE](http://www.templejc.edu/BCE) or call (254) 298-8625.


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# 2016 Blackland Income Growth (BIG) Conference

The 2016 Blackland Income Growth (BIG) conference is scheduled Jan. 5-6 at the Waco Convention Center. The conference will be held a month earlier to give producers and growers more time in advance of their planting season to incorporate much of the information shared at the conference.

The Tuesday sessions (\$20 registration fee, lunch included) that start at 9 and conclude by 11:45 Beef, Grain Rural Land Management and Horticulture. The afternoon sessions start at 2:00 and will conclude at 4 pm. Those sessions are Forages, Cotton and Wildlife. The Horse session will be held from 5:30-8 pm.

Producers will also be able to take part in the Mid-Tex Farm and Ranch Show at the convention center. Vendors and agricultural equipment dealers will be on hand to showcase the latest in farm supplies and implements.

The keynote luncheon speaker Jan. 5 will be Rod Snyder, President of Field to Market: The Alliance for Sustainable Agriculture, a diverse alliance that works to create opportunities across the agriculture supply chain for improvements in productivity, environmental quality and human well-being. He will present "Defining, Measuring and Advancing Sustainability in Agriculture."

The Wednesday portion of the educational program consists of Pesticide Applicator license recertification event that offers 6 CEUs. 2 of the CEU will be related to Laws and regulations, 2 in the General

category, 1 in Integrated Pest Management and 1 in drift Minimization. Topics to be discussed are Rangeland and watershed management, Insect Pests, Pesticide Complaint Process, Laws and Regulations, Plant Identification, Worker Protection Standards. This event cost is \$60 in advance and \$70 at the door and runs from 8 am until 4:30 pm with lunch included.

Need to get a pesticide Applicator License The BIG Conference has a training set up for Wednesday January 6 in the Ranger Room of the Convention center. Cost is \$75 with lunch included. Please call the Hill County Extension Office to register 254-582-4022

Registration for the main Blackland Income Growth Conference is \$20 per person and includes lunch. Several sessions will award continuing education units. Producers can download the brochure at <http://bit.ly/IWwKzd4> to see specific continuing education credit allocations, sessions and speakers.

The Blackland Cotton and Grain Producers Association will meet immediately after the cotton session. George Caldwell will provide updates on cottonseed classified as an oilseed and discuss changes in 2, 4-D regulations to allow use of new cottonseed technologies.

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# Salado Volunteer Fire Department Report Dec. 7-13

Dec. 7  
1:10-1:31 a.m., 1200 Block Mill Creek Dr. Out for a female patient with difficulty breathing. Arrived on scene to find Scott & White Medic unit on scene with patient care. Scott & White transported. All units cleared. 1 unit, 1 personnel.

9:46-10:31 a.m., 1200 Block Mission Trail. Out to a patient with a nose bleed. Arrived on scene to find the patient sitting in bathroom with a obvious nose bleed. Patient stated it had been bleeding for 30 minutes. Got cold pack and 4x4s and applied to bridge of nose with no effect. Scott & White arrived on scene and took over patient care. Scott & White transported and all units cleared, 2 units, 2 personnel.

11:24-11:44 a.m., 10500 Block Crows Ranch. Out for an explosion. Arrived on scene to find no evidence of any explosion. Checked area. Fire Department advised center. All units cleared. 3 units, 5 personnel.

2:28-3:05 p.m., 800 Block N. Stagecoach Rd. Our priority 3 for a 54 year old female with possible blood pressure/blood sugar issues. Went en route and arrived on scene to find patient sitting in chair. Patient was assessed and she said that she had a history of hypertension and anxiety. Patient was placed on monitor and vitals were taken and charted. Patient history was taken and helped calm down the patient. Patient was calmed and Scott & White Medic 14 arrived on scene and took over patient care. Medic got a no transport on the patient and all units cleared. 2 units, 2 personnel.

4:08-4:39 p.m., Southshore and 2484. Out for a Motor Vehicle Collision. Arrived on scene to

find Killeen medic unit on scene with patient care. Assisted them on removing the patient from truck. All other people in truck denied any EMS. Killeen transported. All units cleared when DPS arrived on scene. No fire danger. 3 units, 4 personnel.

Dec. 8  
3:54-4:29 p.m., 1200 Block Fairway. Out in reference to an odor or gas in a house. Arrived on scene and made contact with the homeowner. Upon entering the home, no gas odor was detected and the airspace monitor showed negative results. The homeowner was advised to contact 911 again if further issues occurred. All units cleared. 3 units, 4 personnel.

7:58-8:38 p.m., 1400 Block East Creek View. Out for a victim of a fall. Arrived on scene to find the patient sitting in a chair, off duty paramedics were on scene. Obtained patient history and controlled c-spine. Scott & White medic arrived on scene and took over patient care. Assisted with loading patient, Scott & White transported. All units cleared. 2 units, 5 personnel.

3:47-4:36, 1600 Block Thomas Arnold Rd. Out in reference to a general illness. Arrived on scene to find patient laying in bed. Obtained and charted vitals. Scott & White Medic Unit arrived on scene and assumed patient care. Assisted with loading patient for transport. All units cleared. 2 units, 2 personnel.

Dec. 9  
5:31-6:04 p.m., 4800 Block FM 2484. Out priority 1 for a 55 year old male with complaints of difficulty breathing. Went en route and arrived on scene to find patient laying on the couch. Patient stated that he was having shortness of breath and was all around

aching. Patient was placed on monitor and vitals were taken and charted. Scott & White Medic arrived on scene and took over patient care. Patient was walked to the stretcher and was taken to the ambulance. Medic needed no further assistance and all units cleared. Scott & White transported. 2 units, 3 personnel.

11:01 p.m., 300 Block College St. Out for a patient with Police Department, possible assault. Arrived on scene to find the patient with Police Department. PD requested transport via ambulance. Scott & White arrived on scene and took over patient care from Police Department. Scott & White transported. All units cleared. 2 units, 2 personnel.

Dec. 11  
11:26-11:58 p.m., 9200 Block FM 1670. Dispatched priority 1 for a 54 year old female patient with a chief complaint of having palpitations. Arrived on scene to find the patient standing on the front porch of the residence. Patient was aware and EMS asked patient to go inside and have a seat so the patient could be checked. Patient stated her chest started to hurt. Patient also has history of anxiety but she has never had anything like this happen. Patient's vital signs were obtained and Scott & White Medic Unit arrived on scene and a patient report was given to the responding medic. Assisted with patient care and the patient refused

transport. All units cleared the scene and Scott & White no transport. 2 units, 4 personnel.

7:06-8:01 a.m., FM 2484 and FM 1670. Out to a Motor Vehicle Accident. Arrived on scene to find a 1 vehicle accident with minor damage. Vehicle had struck fence on drivers side no other damage's. There was a total of 4 patients in vehicle with no injuries. Stood by until DPS arrived on scene. Scott & White arrived on scene and got no transports on all patients and cleared. Cleared once DPS arrived on scene and no further assist needed. All units cleared. 3 units, 4 personnel.

4:15-4:25 p.m., 278 NB. Out priority 2 to the 278 NB for an unknown status man down. Went en route and checked from the 275 all the way to the 284 NB and found nothing. All units cleared. 3 units, 6 personnel.

11:41-11:55 p.m., 940 N. Robertson Rd. at Bushes Chicken. Out for a female patient that was hit on the cheek with a gun. Arrived on scene to find the patient talking with Salado Police Department. Checked patient and patient appeared to have mark on left cheek. Patient also complained of right hip pain from being thrown onto chair. Patient did not want transport via ambulance. Patient stated she would take herself. Obtained vitals and charted. Patient turned back over to Salado Police

Department. Canceled Scott & White EMS, all units cleared. 3 units, 3 personnel.

Dec. 12  
6:18-7:09 p.m., 1100 Block Indian Pass. Out priority 2 to 1100 Block Indian Pass for a 39 year old female possible overdose. Went en route and arrived on scene to find patient sitting in a chair in the garage. Patient was lethargic but was alert and oriented enough to give a history and say what had happened. Patient had taken 6 tablets for back pain. Patient felt funny so she called for EMS. Patient was placed on monitor and vitals were taken and charted. All vitals were normal and had equal bilateral breath sounds. Patient was monitored until Scott & White Medic arrived on

scene and took over patient care. Patient was placed on stretcher and taken to the ambulance. Scott & White transported one patient and all units cleared. 3 units, 7 personnel.

Dec. 13  
1:11-1:47 a.m., 8400 Block Brewer Lane. Out to Brewer Ln. for a male patient victim of a fall. Arrived on scene to find the patient laying prone on floor complaint that he had passed out. Patient denied neck pain but had lower back pain and left ankle pain. Obtained history and vitals. Scott & White Medic arrived on scene and took over patient care. Assisted loading patient on stretcher. Scott & White transported. All units cleared. 3 units, 5 personnel.

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