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Village of Salado 2014 Calendar of Events

JANUARY **4**

Music at Salado Creek Winery, 5 - 8 p.m., Jazz Standards with Kat Kaliski singing and Franke Garcia on keys. No Cover

JANUARY 9

Annual Salado Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet.

JANUARY 11

Reading of Ramon Carver's new play Now and Then, and Again and Again, 7 p.m. at the Salado Public Library.

FEBRUARY 6

Central Texas Poetry and Prose Readings, 7 p.m. at Tablerock. Info: Tablerock1@ aol.com.

FEBRUARY 8

Salado On The Rocks, visit Salado.com for info.

FEBRUARY 15

The 20th Annual Baylor Women's Scholarship Brunch, 9 a.m. at The Venue by Inn on the Creek.

FEBRUARY 22-23

Salado's Treasures of Texas Past Antique show hosted by the Salado Ladies Auxiliary, Sat 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Sun 12-4 p.m., 108 Royal Street.

FEBRUARY 23

Chapel Music Series Event at The Chapel at Caliber Oak. Details to follow, www.CaliberOak.com

MARCH 17

19th Annual Denver Mills Golf Tournament at Mill Creek Golf Course, Shotgun start 1 p.m. ,\$80 entry. Cash prizes. Info: (254) 541-4830, (254) 913-3890 or 947-9205. MARCH 21-23 AND

March 28 - 30

Salado Spring Spectacular, info: Salado.com

March 22

Spring Jazz Festival at Tablerock Amphitheater with the Central Texas College Jazz Band, 7 p.m. - Concessions open 6 p.m., \$10 Adult, \$5 Child tickets: Salado Chamber of Commerce or tablerock.org. Info: (254) 947-9205 or 947-5040.

APRIL 4-6

Texas Packard Meet at the Stagecoach Inn. This is the nation's oldest regional Packard meet and probably the largest. For information contact the meet registrar at bclark@stic.net or 210-922-1300.

APRIL 6

Chapel Music Series Event at The Chapel at Caliber Oak. Details to follow, www.CaliberOak.com.

April 11-12

Institute of Outdoor Theater Regional Conference at Tablerock.

April 25-27

Fifth annual Solana Ranch Championship Hog Hunt. The winning team takes home the coveted Hog Champion Belt Buckles. \$475.00 per hunter.

April 25-27

The 26th Annual Texas Lincoln & Continental Owner's Club Tri-Region Meet at the Stagecoach Inn. Cars on view April 26.

May 2-3

Gospel Festival at Tablerock. 6-9 p.m. on Friday and 10 a.m. - 9 p.m. on Saturday. Come and go admission \$5 adults, \$3 children under 12. Info: (254) 634-4658 or jimwoodul@aol.com.

May 3-4

First Baptist Church of Salado celebrates 150 years, more info to come.

MAY 9-11

Annual MG Register in Salado Mother's Day weekend. Details to come.

MAY 10-11

Salado Gallery Weekend, info: Salado.com

May 15

ABWA Style Show, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at The Venue. For more information contact: Barclay McCort at barclaymccort@gmail.com or 947-3617.

July 12

Salado Swirl, 5-9 p.m. Twelve shops and 12 great Texas wineries, including some new ones. For tickets and details, visit www.saladoevents.com.

JULY 19 & 26 AND AUGUST 2

Salado Legends, 8:15 p.m. at Tablerock Amphitheater on Royal Street. Optional dinner at 7:15 p.m. Tickets: Dinner - \$10 adult or child, Show - \$20 adult, \$5 child under 12 years. Purchase at: Fletcher's Books & Antiques, First State Bank, Compass Bank, tablerock.org, at the gate or (254) 947-9205.

AUGUST 1

Midnight Madness Down Main Street 5K. For details, visit www.salado.com.

AUGUST 9-10 "Blues, Brews and Bass." Various events throughout the Village of Salado. For tickets and details, visit www.saladoevents.com.

SEPTEMBER 19-21

Salado Chocolate and Wine Weekend. Various events throughout the Village of Salado. For tickets and details, www.saladochocolatefestival.com.

SEPTEMBER 20 & 27

Shakespeare On The Rock, details TBA. Contact director Kelly Parker for audition information (254) 424-2025.

SEPTEMBER 26

Salado Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament at Mill Creek. For details, call 254-947-5040.

OCTOBER 25

AND NOVEMBER 1

Tablerock's Fright Trail, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. \$5 adults, \$3 children 12 and under. Visit a half mile of thrills and chills from classic tales. Info: (254) 947-9205

Dec 5, 6, 12 & 13

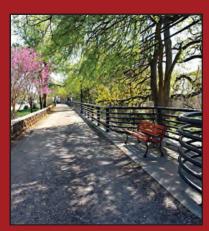
22nd Annual performance of *A Christmas Carol* Adapted for the stage by Harry Sweet. Directed by Shannon Ashe. 7 p.m. at Tablerock Amphitheater on Royal Street. Concession open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets at tablerock.org: Adults \$10, Students \$5, child under 12 \$3, Group rate for 20 or more. Info: (254) 947-9205.

DEC. 5-7 DEC. 12-14

Salado Christmas Stroll, sponsored by Salado Chamber of Commerce. Details later.

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Salado Events:



February 8, 2014 Salado on the Rocks



February 22 & 23, 2014 Salado's Treasures of Texas Past



March 21-23 & 28-30, 2014 Salado Spring Sensation



May 10 & 11, 2014 Salado Gallery Weekend



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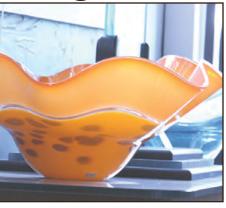
Taste of Salado benefits Public Arts League

The Taste of Salado will bring together culinary and visual arts at Jack's Barn 6-9 p.m. Feb. 22. The Taste of Salado combines the flavors and Salado's restaurants, bed and breakfasts and shops with live and silent auctions featuring the work of more

than a dozen local artists.

Tickets are \$25 per person and can be purchased at www. saladoevents.com. Reservations are recommended for this event.

The Taste of Salado will feature food and drink from the following Salado businesses: The Inn on the Creek, The Stagecoach Inn, The Range at the Barton House, Cathy's Boardwalk Cafe, Salado Patio, Johnny's Steaks and Bar-Be-Que, Ambrosia's Tea Room, Cowboys BBQ, McCain's Bakery and Cafe, Salado Pizza Place, Silvia's Taco Wagon, Red Barn Hideaway, Stone Creek Settlement, Weatherstone B&B. The Baines House Robertson's B&B. Hams. Salado Winery, Salado Wine Seller, Brookshire Brothers,



Artwork from Salado artists will be auctioned during the Taste of Salado.

Charlotte's of Salado, Salado Mercantile, Strawberry Patch and Salado Vintage Cakery.

Several Salado artists have donated artwork for the Live and Silent Auction, including these: Shelby Haggerton, Ronnie Wells, Lonnie Edwards, Gail Allard, Aaron Gist, Jessica Flynn, Ben Casey, Nancy Messenger, Helen Alexander, Melissa Paxton, Jill and Johnny Shipman, Larry Prellop, B. Herd and Michael Pritchett.

Solana Ranch has given a dove hunt, Ben Casey has given lessons in glassblowing and Don Casey has donated a Morrocan lantern to the auction.





Chad Masters and Jade Corkill rode away \$100,000 richer after last year's Wildfire Ranch Open to the World. Who will win this year's big money prize? Come out to the Wildfire Ranch Arena in Salado on Feb. 8 to find out.

16th Wildfire Ranch Open to the World brings biggest names in roping to Salado

Wildfire Ranch Arena welcomes some of the biggest names in professional rodeo Feb. 7-9 to its indoor arena.

Professional cowboys including Rich Skelton, Joe Beaver, Trevor Brazile. Jake Barnes, Clay O'Brien Cooper and many, many more will be converging on Wildfire Ranch in Salado to compete for over \$200,000 in cash prizes. The 16th Annual Wildfire Ranch Open to the World is sponsored by Resistol Hats and is one of the richest, highest-paying ropings in the world. In addition to custom trophy buckles from Montana Silversmiths, the prize line is topped by a pair of custom inlaid briefcases stuffed with cash. A total of \$50,000 will be ADDED to the payout awarded to the average winners.

The roping begins at 9am on Feb. 8.

In the 15th Annual Ladies Open Roping on Feb. 7, which is sponsored by Montana Silversmiths, \$25,000 will be added to the total payout, making it one of the most lucrative ropings during the year for the teams of ladies.

Finally, the #11 Businessman's Roping on Feb. 9 will have a guaranteed payout of \$75,000 to first place, sponsored by Cactus Gear, Cactus Saddlery, Heel-O-Matic, Fastback Ropes and Cactus Ropes.

Bring the family to Wildfire Ranch Feb. 7-9 for a weekend filled with team roping excitement, rain or shine!

Wildfire Ranch is located at Exit 283 on I-35 in Salado.



The custom saddles for this year's winners have already been made and the briefcases will be stacked full of \$100,000 in added money for the winning team. Come out to Wildfire Ranch Feb. 7-9 to see the best in the roping business. VILDER

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Salado on the Rocks returns Feb. 8 Second year event will satisfy your culinary desires... and your thirst!

The Village of Salado invites you to its first annual "Salado on the Rocks." "Take life with a grain of salt, a slice of lime and a shot of Salado." The "Salado on the Rocks" will be held throughout the Village of Salado from 5-9 p.m. on Feb. 8.

This one-day event promises to satisfy all of your culinary delights from enjoying Salado signature tastings to enjoying local cuisine and late night shopping.

The following Salado stops are these:

Salado Creek Winery where you will enjoy a Sweet Berry Bruschetta with their White Sangria.

At Alexander's Distillery you will be treated to Chef's Choice and the Mixologist Magic.

At your next stop at The Range you will enjoy a special treat when you are served the Chef's Whim

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House at the Salado Wine Seller. At our newest tavern, The Shed, you will be served Frito Chili Pie with their very own Shed Lemonade.

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This is a ticketed event for \$24.95 per person and only the first 300 lucky people will be able to attend this event, so make your reservations early! You will receive your very own "Salado on the Rocks" glass, a goody bag and your passport for this event. Tickets must be purchased in advance at www.saladoevents.com.

For event details, updated infor-



Raise your glass in a toast during the Salado on the Rocks on Feb.

mation and ticket information visit www.saladoevents.com or contact the Village of Salado Tourism office at 254-947-8634 or dcharbonneau@ saladotx.gov.

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Museum hosts Burns Night Scots and descendants of Scots around the world pay homage

Scots and descendants of Scots around the world pay homage to their immortal bard on the anniversary of his birthday, January 25, 1759, in ceremony, speeches, pageantry, and partaking of the traditional Scottish meal of haggis. Since the first gathering of Burns' friends in 1801, over the years that evening has developed into the mystical ritual known as Burns night.

Robert Burns was born in the Ayrshire village of Alloway, Scotland where he spent 37 of his years working the family farm. Burns had an acute perception of life and everything around him. He was aware of the injustices as year after year of toil brought the family no relief from their hardship and threat of eviction always loomed over them.

In a country overrun by the English ways and customs and English government, Burns felt his way of life slipping away. This was the source of his moods, his depressions, and his melancholia. It was also the source of his creativity. Burns died on February 17, 1784 and is buried in Alloway Kirkyard. He is best known for penning "Auld Lang Syne," which is sung by everyone in America and around the world on New Year's Eve.

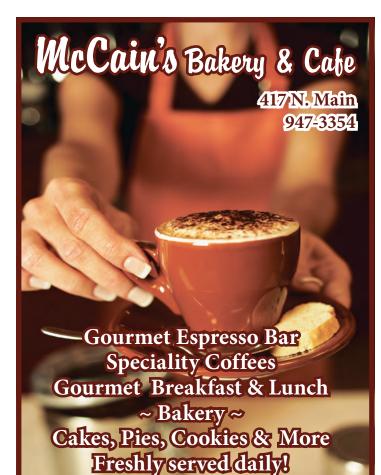
The Central Texas Area Museum will hold Burns Night at the historic Stagecoach Inn restaurant 7-10:30 p.m. Jan. 25. The program includes the "Piping in of the Haggis" and the ode "To A Haggis" followed by a formal dinner. Cost of the event is \$55 per person. For information call (254) 947-5232 or email office@ ctam-salado.org.



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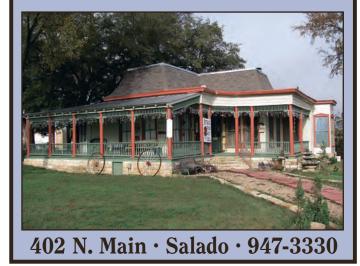
Mills on Salado Creek

(excerpts from History of Bell County, Third Edition George W. Tyler)

...mention should be made of the numerous small flour and grist mills which were to be found along the streams from the late sixties to the early eighties. They were nearly all run by water power. The Salado Creek was especially well adapted to milling, and more mills than any other stream in the county. The oldest one on this creek was Ferguson's Mill. It had first been built by Ira E. and Whitefield Chalk in 1849 or 1850 and after some years had been owned and operated by Jr. James P. Reed. The Reverend James E. Ferguson bought it in 1867 and ran it until his death in 1876. It was then carried on for many years by his family. In 1866 Mr. W.A. Davis formerly of Round Rock built a mill and dam on this creek a little way below the big springs at the town of Salado. At first it was a wool carding establishment but was later converted into a flour and grist mill. In the same year John Meyers erected a mill several miles further down on Salado Creek, which later passed through the hands of several owners but is best remembered as the Summer's Mill. Other mills built on this stream were Dulaney's (1867), T.J. Jones' (1869), Stinnett and Orgain's (1874) later known as Stinnett's and finally as the Highland Mill and "Ike" (Isaac V) Jones' Mill (1880) . On the Lampasas, after the little pioneer Children's Mill, built in 1848, came Guthrie's (1870) and W.K. Hamblen's (1871).

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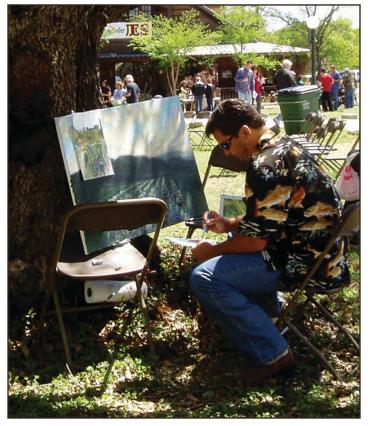


Join the Wine Club for special offerings and events





Annual Texas Rogue Wine, Art Festival is March 29-30



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Celebrate spring by visiting Salado during the weekend of March 29-30 for the Sixth Annual Texas Wine and Rogue Art Fest set among the live oaks at Salado Wine Seller.

Twenty Texas wineries will be represented in addition to a tremendous viewing of artists who will be selling their works that they have created all around Texas. To complete the fest there will be live music and delectable food.

The list of participants is available at www.salado-wine-festival.com.

The festival will be held on the park like grounds of Salado Winery & Salado Wine Seller at 841 N. Main St., Salado, rain or shine. Hours are 12-5 p.m. March 29 and noon-4 p.m. March 30.

"I wanted to attract a different type of artist, so I named it 'Rogue' as in the artists are goin' rogue," Ritterbusch goes on to explain, "I find myself drawn to contemporary artists and we regularly hold art exhibits at Salado Winery that feature a more modern style. These Texas wineries are rogue entrepreneurs as well, and I think all the wine and art folks are going to create a great experience."

Just in time for the festival, Salado Winery will release their 2012 Diamond Back and the 2013 Night Flight. Both wines are 100 percent grown in their vineyard in Salado and made on the premise. These wines will pair well with the truffles being sold by Wiseman House Chocolates and the handmade cheese from Texas Cheese House. "In a Pickle" will be back this year along with "In Hog Heaven."

Also that same weekend, Johnny's Outback will be featuring a concert by Aaron



Following the show, Aaron Watson will perform at Johnny's Outback.

Watson on March 29. Watson will be taking the stage at 8 pm. Known as the "Honky Tonk Kid," Aaron has spent countless hours on the road and many more still spent toiling away at his guitar, writing songs with Jesus on one shoulder and the ghost of Waylon Jennings on the other, making the country tunes he was born to play. - See more at: http:// www.aaronwatson.com/about. html

The number of wineries in the state of Texas has grown to over 300. The wine and grape industry in Texas has contributed greatly to the economic strength of the state with an economic impact of \$1.7 Billion. Most surprising though is how many are close by in Central Texas. At the Texas Wine & Rogue Art Fest, there will be wineries from Florence, Waco, Meridian, as well as from around the state, such as Dallas, Spicewood, Poteet, Grapevine, & Santa Fe, TX. For more information about Texas wineries, visit www.gotexanwine.org.

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February 6 at 7 p.m.

Central Texas Poetry and Prose Readings with guest MC Thom the World Poet

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March 22 at 7 p.m.

Spring Stroll Jazz Festival at Tablerock

featuring the Central Texas College Jazz Band Concession open 6 p.m. for hamburgers, hot dogs BBQ & drinks

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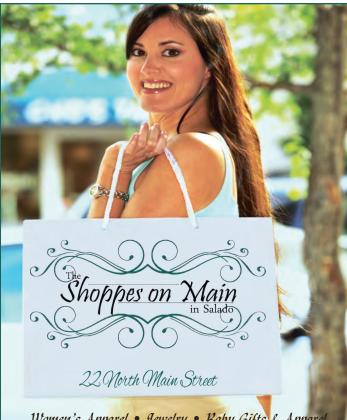
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tickets and information at www.tablerock.org ask about group rates (254) 947-9205 May 2 - 3 Annual Gospel Festival July 19 - 20 & August 2 Salado Legends September 20 & 27 Shakespeare on the Rock October 25 & November 1 Fright Trail December 5, 6, 12 & 13 A Christmas Carol





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Selections from Robertson Plantation will be displayed at Treasures of Texas Past Antique Show Feb. 22-23

A special selection of antiques from the E.S.C. Robertson Plantation will be part of the Treasures of Texas Past Antique Show Feb. 22-23 in the old Guest and Sanford Granary building (which once housed the Salado Silver Spur Theatre) at 108 Royal St. in Salado.

"This will provide an opportunity for people that would like to own a piece of history to purchase furniture, china, crystal and other items that were part of the Plantation's history," said Judy Fields, one of the event organizers.

Col. E.S.C. Robertson gave the land for Salado College and the original town lots that were sold to raise funds for the erection of the College in 1860. In 1856. Col. Robertson began work on the 22-room Palladian-style mansion that has remained in the family for more than six generations.

Over the decades, each generation of Robertson descendents have added their own pieces and touches to the home, resulting in an unsurpassed collection of antique furniture and decor. For the first time, many of those pieces will be on display and available for sale at the Treasures of Texas Antique Show.

The Antique Show will also feature antiques and collectibles on display and for sale by dealers from around the state.

Admission to the Treasures of Texas Antique Show is \$2 per person. The show will be open 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Feb. 22 and noon-4 p.m. Feb. 23. Refreshments will be available in the foyer, provided by the Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary.

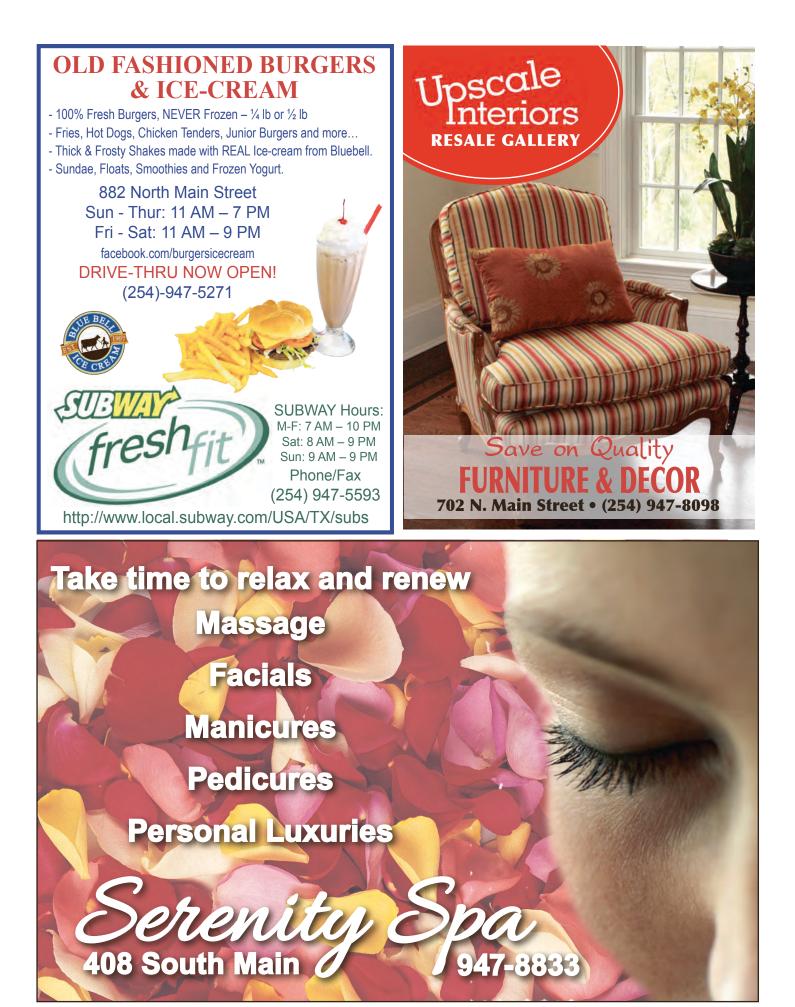
The Ladies Auxiliary of the Salado Chamber of Commerce



Pieces from the Robertson Plantation collection of antiques will be on display and for sale during the Treasures of Texas Past Antique Show Feb. 22-23 in Salado.

is a non-profit organization, using all profits from fund raisers to benefit the village of Salado by offering grants and scholarships to college-bound and trade-school bound graduates of Salado High School.





Salado's Spring Spectacular What you can expect at the 2014 show:

<u>Wildflower Art Show</u> - March 21-23 - \$2 entry fee, Civic Center <u>Pub Crawl</u> - March 21 at 6pm (ticketed event) <u>Edgy Art Show & Competition</u> - March 22 at The Range at Barton House, starts at 11 am <u>Wildflower Concert</u> - Friday, March 21 at 9 pm <u>Sky Diving Demonstration</u> - Sunday, March 23 at 10 am, Civic Center

Other March events include:

<u>Jazz Festival</u> - Saturday, March 22 at Tablerock Amphitheater <u>Wine & Rogue Art Fest</u> - March 29-30 at the Salado Wine Seller

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And mark your 2014 calendars for these important dates:

- Midnight Madness Down Main 5k -Friday, August 1, 2014
- Annual Golf Tournament Friday, September 26, 2014
- Christmas Stroll Parade, Thursday, December 4 and Stroll Weekends -December 5-7 & 12-14, 2014
- Historic Art Fair TBD



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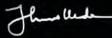
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New ownership returning golf course to excellence

By Tim Fleischer Editor-in-Chief

Over the winter months, when golf slows down, Mill Creek Country Club will be pressing forward with a new golf pro and an expansion of the grill and pro shop itself.

David Preston, golf operations manager for Mill Creek, said that the board has interviewed three Professional Golf Association pros with experience as head pros.

"Each of them brings their own skills to the position and are excited about the opportunity to come to Salado," Preston said. "They see the potential we have here and want to build on what the new ownership has started."

The new golf pro will be "integral to the promotion of golf in the community and around the state," Preston said. Mill Creek is working with lodging facilities to partner together on Stay and Play packages.

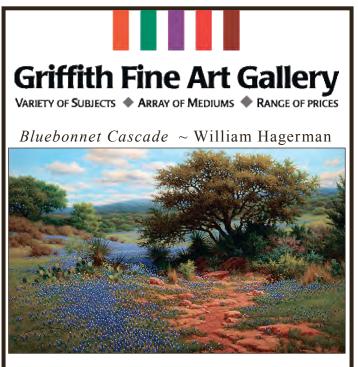
"We are also going to have a huge emphasis on junior golf. The golf pro will be working more directly with the schools and coaches to get young players on the course," Preston said.

"We want them to compete at every age level and develop a love for the game," he added.

Since a group headed by Billy Helm purchased Mill Creek in 2013, the membership has grown from under 100 to more than 170.

"The board feels that with the expansion of the grill and pro shop and the improvements to the pool area over winter that we will be able to grow our family memberships," Preston said.

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The new owners of Mill Creek are working on a three-year plan to return the Robert Trent Jones II designed golf course to a full 27 holes.

sued in November for the expansion of the grill. Preston said the work will take six to eight weeks. The old deck will be torn out and the building will be extended toward the pool. At the same time, the pool will get a face-lift, Preston said. "It will be resurfaced and re-tiled and a fence will give the pool privacy from golfers passing by. It will be a more family-friendly atmosphere by summer time."

The golf shop will be expanded by about 30 percent, but the floorspace will be redesigned to allow 50 percent more merchandise space. "This will reflect an emphasis on selling Mill Creek and golf merchandise to customers," Preston said.

In addition to the expansion of the pro shop and grill, the club will also reline the pond over the winter months.

Then the work will begin on holes #1 and #9 on the Creek 3 set of holes.

The greens will be repaired and ready for grass to be planted by late April so that the grass will have a chance to grow over the warm summer months.

Completing repairs on these two holes is important to give

Mill Creek a contiguous 18 holes of golf play.

With the Creek 2 and Creek 3 holes in play, efforts can then be focused in 2015 on the Creek 1 holes that were so devastated by the 2010 flood.

Preston said that the greens of Creek 1 will be resurfaced with TIF Dwarf in June-July 2015.

"In the meantime, we will be maintaining those holes," Preston said.

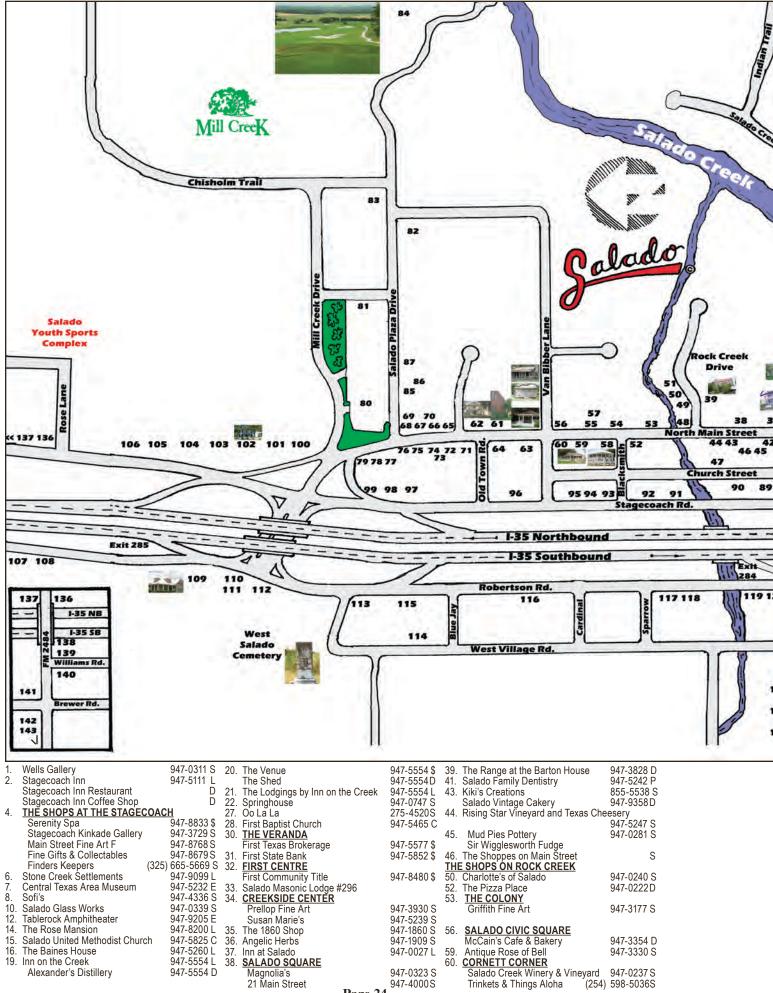
Until the Creek 1 holes can be added back into the rotation of play, some of those holes will be used to practice short game.

The Club will pursue a three-year plan of re-seeding all 27 holes with TIF Dwarf grass to provide for a most consistent play.

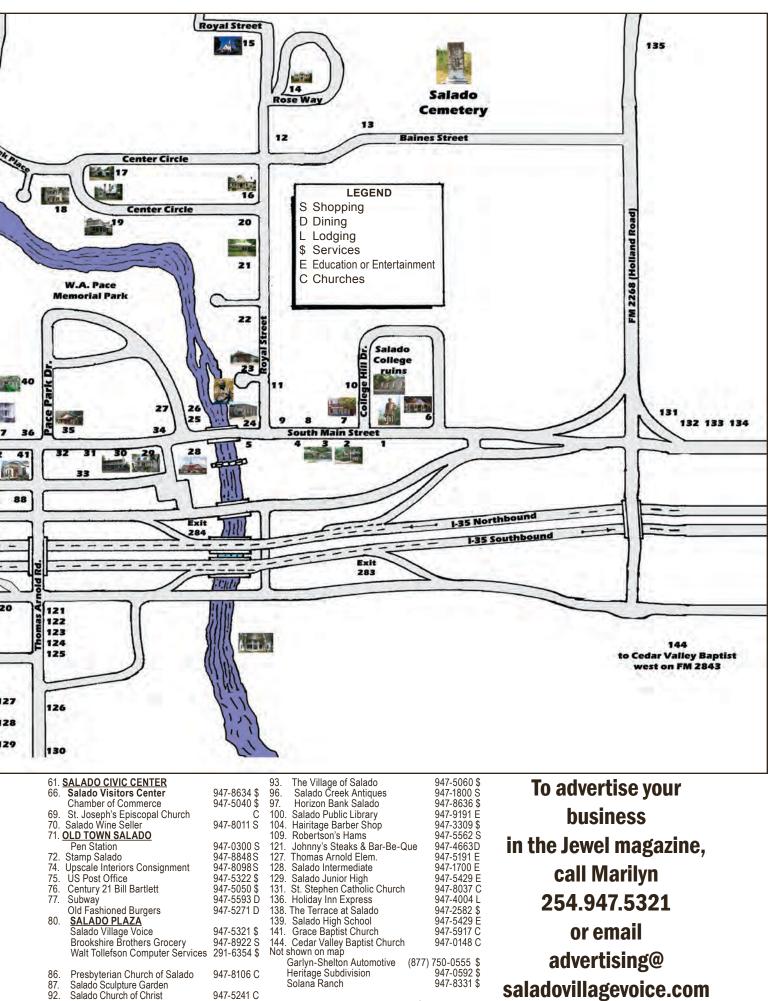
Plans are to have Creek 2 greens resurfaced in 2016 to bring all 27 holes to the TIF Dwarf grass.

Returning to a 27 hole golf course is the long range goal of the new ownership because it will give the course freedom to host large golf tournaments and groups, as well as balancing the desires of daily players with Stay and Play traveling golfers and the needs for dayto-day maintenance.





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Historic bridges over Salado Creek

For several years after the town was laid out, the citizens of Salado crossed the shallow creek by stepping from rock to rock, or on logs laid across the wider places. These logs were chained to the rocks and would sink down stream during freshets and be replaced when the flood subsided. But when in 1866 a dam was thrown across the stream at the lower end of the village, the water was backed up over the rocks. Then for a time "foot-logs" raised on legs standing in the water and chained to the rocks below were used; but they were narrow, rickety and unsafe, and pedestrians not infrequently tumbled off into the water. A general demand arose for a bridge. To meet this problem as well as others, it was decided to incorporate the village. Application for incorporation was made under the general law and the county court in January 1867, authorized and election for town officers. On February 23, Judge O.T. Tyler was elected mayor and a board of aldermen was chosen. These officials appointed the other officers, among the Colonel Thos. H. Jones as treasurer. The town officials first tried to raise funds for a bridge by voluntary donations, but finding they could not raise enough by this means, on December 3, 1868, they ordered an issue of bonds ...

The bonds were purchased by the citizens of the town. With the proceeds and subscriptions amounting in all to some \$2,500, the municipal authorities proceeded to build a wire cable suspension foot-bridge of substantial construction of unique design and graceful proportions. Two large galvanized rope-wire cables, anchored at each end in strongly built stone abutments, were carried over two double-turreted dressed-stone piers of towers. From these suspended cables wire cords extended down to catch and support the ends of sawed cedar cross bars or joists on which the plank floor was laid. It was one of the first of its kind in the Southwest and was designed, engineered



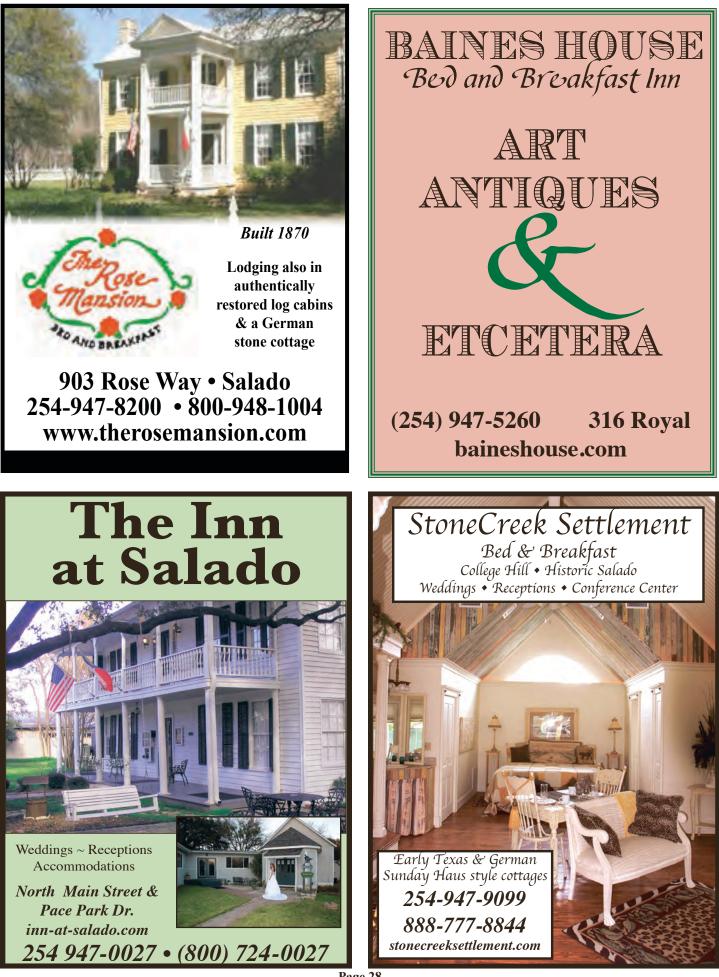
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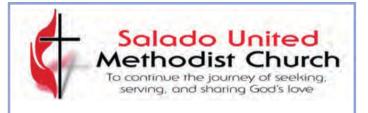
This photo, courtesy of the Salado Historical Society, shows the walking bridge over Salado Creek. In the background is Salado College.

and constructed entirely by home talent-Judge Tyler, Colonel Thos. H. Jones, Judge Wm. H. Garrett, Wm. A. Davis, John Hendrickson and others. It swung some twenty feet above the water and although it could be made to sway enough from side to side to frighten timid souls--especially groups of squealing girls when mischievous boys chose this method of teasing them--it served the people well for more than thirty years. After the county built a combination wagon and foot bridge a few yards upstream the suspension bridge gradually fell into disuse. In 1913 it was finally swept away when a cloud burst in the upper water-shed of Salado Creek sent down a terrific flood that carried away the county bridge as well. The latter was promptly rebuilt, only to be carried away again in the still greater flood of September 9 and 10, 1921.





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Sunday Morning

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9:00 amTraditional Worship10:00 amSunday School11:15 amContemporary Worship

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Chamber hosts Spring Spectacular

Salado Chamber of Commerce invites you to its Spring Spectacular the weekend of March 21-23 with several events throughout the Village.

The Wildflower Art Show returns to the grounds of the Salado Civc Center, featuring the works of Texas artists in all media, painting, sculpture, jewelry, glass, wood and cloth, among others. Ticekts are \$2 per day for the show which will be March 21-23. For details, visit www.salado. com.

A Pub Crawl will take participants to the various taverns, lounges and bars around Salado beginning at 6 p.m. March 21. For more information about the Pub Crawl, or to purchase tickets call the Salado Chamber of Commerce at 254-947-5040 or visit www.salado.com.

Live demonstrations will be part of an Edgy Art Show and Competition on the grounds of The Range at the Barton House, beginning at 11 a.m.

Later in the eevning, there will be live Texas music at the Wildflower Concert at 9 p.m. on the grounds of the Civic Center. Details will soon be posted at www.salado. com.

There will also be a skydiving demonstration at 10 a.m. March 23 at the Salado Civic Center by Skydive Temple.

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Eggheads have been described as "cultlike" in their enthusiasm for the Big Green Eggs®, which they use to cook everything from Korean barbecue to chocolate chip cookies to smoked salmon to pizza.

The Eggheads will gather in Pace Park, where they will swap recipes and friendship without the stress of competing for awards or recognition.

There will be four Mini-Eggs given out during the weekend. Two will be given out through drawings from the registered cooks and two will be drawn from the names of all other registered attendees. The Mini-Eggs will have goodies, including rubs and sauces.

The Eggfest officially kicks off at 9 a.m. March 15 in Pace Park. Early checkin for registered cooks will be at 7:30 a.m. Drawings will be held at noon, 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m.

Throughout the day, more than 40 registered cooks will be sharing 100 different snacks with other attendees.

For more information and to register, visit saladoeggheadgathering.blogspot. com or call Keith's Ace Hardware in Salado, which is one of the primary sponsors of the event. And if you want to purchase your own Big Green Egg®, Keith's Ace Hardware has a selection of them available.

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It is the oldest regional Packard meet in the country and one of the largest.

This meet is sponsored by the Texas Packard Association, comprised of the four Packard Clubs in Texas.

It again will be held at the Stagecoach Inn in historic Salado approximately 50 miles from Austin on Interstate 35.

Typically there are 40 to 70 cars and well over 100 master registrations. Being the 37th edition of this great meet will likely increase the numbers! Last year, there were over 60 Packards on display with collectors coming from 11 states.

Participants enjoy a tour, all Packard swap meet, people's choice competition, seminars, and awards dinner. Packard lovers from all over the country compete for the long distance award.

Fees for registration vary according to activities selected but fees are among the most reasonable for like events.

Viewing for the public is free on Saturday morning April 6 on the grounds of the Stagecoach Inn.

Packards were once seen as some of the most pres-

A graceful hood ornament atop a classic Packard automobile.

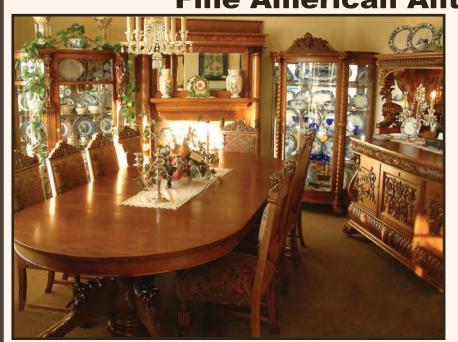
tigious on the market. The founder of the company, James Ward Packard, was an engineer by trade and began producing automobiles as early as 1899. The first Packards were designed as luxury automobiles and were priced much higher than the competition. In 1902, the Ohio Automobile Company was renamed The Packard Motor Car Company and moved to Detroit. The last Packard came off of the assembly-line in 1958.

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MONDAYS

Village Quilters and Knitters, 1:30 p.m. at Village Art Building.

TUESDAYS

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

TUESDAYS

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

TUESDAYS

Salado Rotary Club luncheon meeting, 11:30 a.m. at Johnny's Steaks & Bar-Be-Que meeting hall.

TUESDAYS

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

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FIRST WEDNESDAY

Adult craft group meets at Salado Public Library, 10 a.m.-noon.

THURSDAYS

Martinis and Manicures at The Lounge at The Range. \$25 for 2 ladies night adult beverages, a manicure and a selection of appetizers. Call 254-947-3828 to book your appointment. Space is limited.

Second Thursday

Sip and Knit, 5 p.m. at Salado Wine Seller, informal gathering of needle artists for fellowship and wine. Bring a project to work on.

FIRST & THIRD SATURDAY Trudy's Closet, 8 a.m.. at

Grace Baptist Church

SATURDAYS

Recycling program, 9 a.m.-noon at 113 Salado Plaza Drive behind Salado Creekside. Glass is accepted. Electronics recycling will be accepted on the Saturdays of Feb. 23, 30, March 7 and March 14. Visit www.keepsaladobeautiful.com to find out how you can volunteer.

SATURDAYS

Live music at The Lounge, upstairs at The Range Restaurant on Main St., 7 p.m. Artists change weekly.

SATURDAYS

Jazz on the Creek, 9-11 p.m. at Alexander's Distillery at Inn on the Creek.

SUNDAYS

New open discussion Al-Anon Meeting in Salado, 6 p.m. Salado at United Methodist Church in the Youth Activities Building in the back.

For a complete, up-to-date listing of things to do in Salado, pick up the Salado Village Voice newspaper or visit www. saladovillagevoice.com



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For three decades Salado Village Voice serves community; Fleischers have published Jewel magazine for over 20 years

While the *Salado Village Voice* is not the first newspaper in Salado, it has had the longest life-span, since being founded in 1979. The Fleischer family bought the newspaper in 1988 and marked 25 years in Salado this spring.

When historian Dayton Kelley published the first edition of the *Salado Village Voice* on February 17, 1979, it was the first time in more than 100 years that the village had a newspaper.

The first newspaper known to be published in the village was the *Salado Newsletter*. Published by E.W. Billings, the first edition came out on August 25, 1874. Only one copy of the newspaper exists at the newspaper collection of the University of Texas at Austin.

The Grange published another newspaper, *The Texas Farmer* in Salado, but it was later moved to Dallas.

Reference to a third Salado newspaper has been found on a letterhead in the Rose Papers at the University of Texas at Austin. *The Salado Sentinel* was published by A.S. Hornbeck. No copies of the Salado Sentinel are known to exist today.

Salado Village Voice founder Dayton Kelley was a native of Bell County, a journalist and a historian. He taught journalism at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor for 12 years before accepting a position as Director of the Texas Collection at Baylor University in Waco. When plans were being made to erect the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame in Waco, Kelley was employed as director.

During his years at the helm of the *Salado Village Voice*, the newspaper emphasized the history of the village and the area. Kelley later founded the *Morgan's Point Mariner* and the *Bell County Independent*.

After Dayton passed away, his sons Dennis and Bill ran the *Salado Village Voice*, selling it to the Fleischers in 1988.

In the mid-80s, Salado had two newspapers. But, just like Dallas, San Antonio and Houston, Salado proved to be too small to support two competing newspapers. The late Ken Clapp, executive director to Gov. Dolph Briscoe, opened the Salado Post-Dispatch in the Vickrey-Berry house. The Post-Dispatch, though short-lived, is well-remembered by many in Salado.

Since the Fleischer family purchased the newspaper, a week has not passed that the newspaper has not published. Tim and Marilyn Fleischer purchased the newspaper outright in the early 1990s.

Salado Village Voice also publishes the quarterly Salado: A Jewel in the Crown of Texas magazine. The newspaper office has a gallery of original pen-and-ink, pencil drawings and watercolors by Ronnie Wells of the historic homes and buildings that were featured on the covers of the early editions of the Salado: A Jewel in the Crown of Texas magazine.

Salado Village Voice launched its website as a complement to its weekly newspaper and quarterly magazine. Be sure to visit saladovillagevoice.com. Follow Salado Village Voice on Facebook for late breaking updates.



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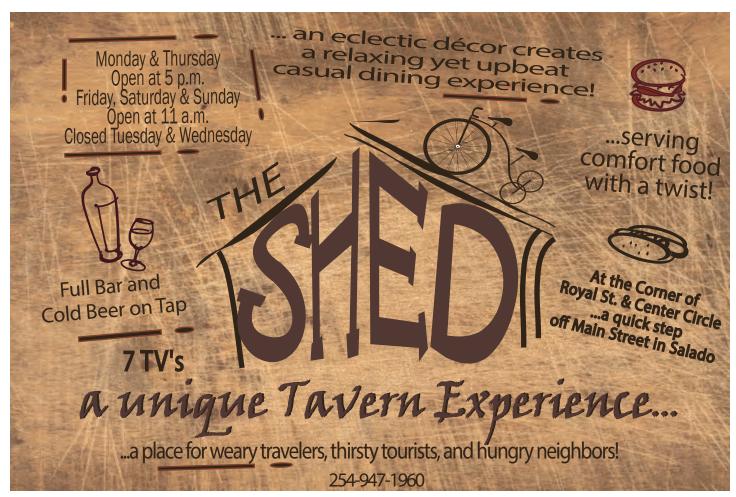


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Smokin' Spokes Annual ride March 29 will benefit SVFD

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As in previous years, a variety of routes will be available for riders to choose from, with each route differing in distance and overall difficulty.

Riders can pick from 15, 27, 57, 70, 85 and 102 mile rides. All routes will begin and end in Salado's Pace Park. Most routes will take cyclists east to the Summer's Mill area, and also west to Stillhouse Hollow Lake.

There are rest stops designated with each route. "We placed most of our rest stops at very scenic locations," said



King and Queen of the Hill

The first male and female to reach the top of Eagles Nest Hill will be crowned the King and Queen of the Hill during the annual Smokin' Spokes March 29, 2014 in Salado. For information about routes and registration, visit saladospokes.com. (Photo BY KEVIN SMITH) Charles Young, Salado Volunteer Fire Department Chief. "One is on the shore of Stillhouse Hollow Lake; one is at the Overlook Park on top of the dam to Stillhouse Hollow; and one is at Summer's Mill."

Entry fee will be \$25 for pre-registration and \$30 for on-site registration. The first 300 pre-registered riders will be guaranteed a Smokin' Spokes T-Shirt. Pre-Register by March 26.

Click on saladospokes.com/ to register via the internet and learn more about the race, including maps of the various routes.

On-site registration can be completed for \$30.

Free food and drinks will be handed out to riders all day long at the finish line.

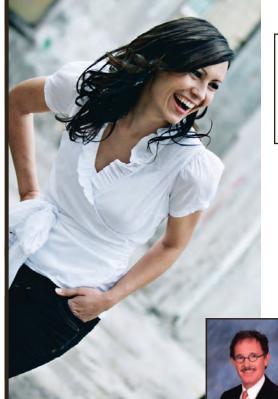


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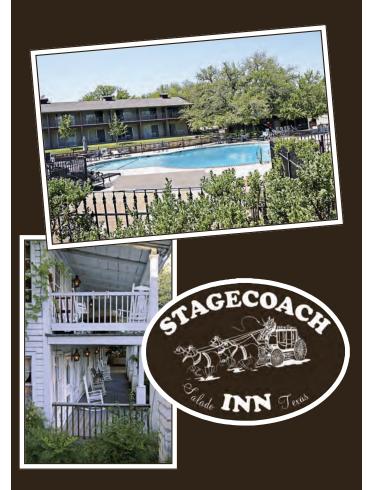
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Annual Fine China Luncheon March 27 at The Venue

Salado Area Republican Women are excited about their annual Fine China Luncheon and Fundraiser set for March 27 at The Venue on Royal Street in Salado. The luncheon starts at 11:30 a.m., according to President Barclay McCort. The silent auction, along with door prizes, promises to keep interest high along with a very special program. Dr. Thomas Klincar, Chancellor of Central Texas College will provide the address.

There are still places for individuals who would like to host a table. Table themes can be fancy or whimsical.

Tickets are \$25 per person and are available through Barclay McCort at barclaymccort@gmail.com, 254-947-3617 or from any SARW Board Member.

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