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Fundraiser set Dec. 16 for family that lost home to fire

Chris Brown lost her home of 35 years to a fire on Dec. 4.

Her son, Monty Brown, is her primary caregiver. His work truck and trailer containing his work tools were parked next to the home and were also lost to

Friends and family are hosting fundraiser on Dec. 16 to help the family pick up the pieces. The evening of music, great craft beers, great food and a silent auction welcomes everyone to come out for good time and a good cause.

Join family and friends

of Chris Brown for a Fun! Fun! Fundraiser! to help with recovery from a devastating fire. The Fun! Fun! Fundraiser! will be held 6 p.m. on Dec. 16 at Barrow Brewing Co. on Royal Street.

Local music will be provided by Wayworn

Traveler and The Blackfoot Daisies and a few special guests. Salado's own Hecho en Queso food truck will be on site donating a portion of their sales. Barrow Brewing Co. will have its usual lineup of craft beers available with a portion of sales going to

the family. Local artists and businesses have donated many unique items for a silent auction.

Anyone wanting to donate items for the silent auction can contact Tracy McLoud at (254) 541-6978 enjoyingthepath@yahoo.com.

If you are unable to attend, but would like to make a monetary donation, a fund has been established at GoFundMe. com under Chris Brown House Fire.

BOA adopts arrows ban

On a split vote, aldermen adopted an amended Weapons Ordinance Dec. 8 to prohibit the discharge of arrows and/or bolts within the limits of the Village of Salado.

Aldermen Amber Preston Dankert and Fred Brown voted against the measure while aldermen Dave Williams, Frank Coachman and Michael McDougal voted in favor of the regulation.

Exceptions to the ordinance include those for peace officers and for destroying a dangerous animal identified under the health and safety regulation when the animal could present a danger to the person.

The ordinance also excludes a shotgun, air rifle, pistol, BB gun or bow and arrow discharged on a tract of land of 10 acres or more that is more than 1,000 feet from the property line of a public tract of land generally used for organized sporting or recreation, or the property line of a school, hospital or commercial day-care facility and more than 600 feet from the property line of a residential subdivision or a multifamily residential complex and more than 150 feet from a residence or occupied building located on another property.

A center fire or rim fire rifle or pistol of any caliber is allowed on any tract of land of 50 acres or more meeting the above standards.

A review of the Bell County Tax Appraisal map shows a small handful of properties that are more than 10 acres. Of those, the golf course is the largest at more than 100 acres but is within the 600 feet of a property line of a subdivision in all of its

Of the other 10 acre tracts of land, two of them on Van Bibber have posted the "No Kill Zone" signs.

Violations of the ban are misdemeanor with criminal penalties of up to \$500 per offense applicable. A civil penalty up to \$100 a day is also in place when it is shown that the defendant was actually notified of the provisions of the Ordinance and after receiving notice committed acts in violation of the Ordinance.

Salado shines for Stroll

Salado streets and shops were busy this past weekend as the weather was cold but mostly clear for the second weekend of the Christmas Stroll. With musical performances throughout the Village, performances of A Christmas Carol, horse drawn carriage rides and visits with Santa Claus, the Stroll was a festive time for all. See more photos on page 1C this edition and online at saladovillagevoice.com

(Photos by Ron LeGuin)





Congressman, local representatives tell Sunset agency 'What happened to Salado shouldn't be allowed again'

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Mayor Skip Blancett is asking for \$5 million of the fines assessed to contractor James Construction.

Congressman John Carter is asking that the contractor be disqualified from any other highway contracts in the state due to its poor performance on the \$1 billion it already has under contract on I-35.

'Our Texas Department of Transportation, along with other State and Local leaders must be empowered to impose penalties on contractors who grossly violate their commitments. as we saw during the Interstate 35 project impacting Salado," Rep. John Carter stated.

Carter, along Rep. with Mayor Skip Blancett, Salado Chamber of Commerce Chairman Melanie Kirchmeier and Chamber Vice-Chair Dave Swarthout, were slated to speak during the public input section of Sunset Commission hearings on the Department of Transportation.

Because of the number of witnesses scheduled for the Medical Review Board hearings, the TXDOT hearings were pushed back. Salado rep-

making their statements in writing rather than personally appearing before the Commission which is scheduled to make recommendations in January.

Swarthout gave a historical background of the experience of Salado and its business community over the past half-decade. Work began just north of FM 2484 in 2010. Work through Salado itself began with a much ballyhooed groundbreaking on the grounds of the old Super 8 on June 7, 2012.

At that time, the work was scheduled to end in Spring 2015.

When that date passed and seeing that about half of the work had been completed, representatives from the Village and Chamber of Commerce contacted TXDOT, James Construction and the Governor's staff through a letter sent in May.

Gen. Joe Weber, who was then the head of TX-DOT (a tenure he served for less than two years), met with representatives from Salado and James Construction in June 2015.

Those local representatives were assured by both the contractor and TX-DOT that Salado work was fast-tracked for completion by Dec. 2015. Gen. Weber

2015 and the work was not completed, six months after the contract date.

Saladoans then pressed and met with Gov. Greg Abbott's staff to discuss the economic hardships caused by the continued, long-overdue work of TX-

"Unless you lived in a community that has suffered like Salado, you cannot feel the pain of a good friend going broke," Mayor Skip Blancett stated in his remarks to the Sunset Commission. "The months of poor management, untruths, broken schedules, and not caring have eaten the fabric of our very soul."

"The reputation of Salado as being a family friendly destination for tourists from all over Texas and beyond has been significantly damaged," Swarthout said.

Swarthout points to the TXDOT Project Tracker on the Salado project. The construction cost estimate for the project was initially \$69.9 million.

To-date project engineering costs have totaled \$12.7 million, construcengineering costs have totaled \$18.4 million and construction costs have totaled \$129.9 million bringing the total for

resentatives were left with left TXDOT by the end of the 3.5 mile project that is 18 months past its completion date to \$161 million.

> In the five years since construction began, sales tax revenues to the Village of Salado have increased by just 6 percent, according to Chamber Chair Melanie Kirchmeier. Meanwhile, other local Bell County cities have seen an increase of 40 percent or more during the same five year span. The latest sales tax rebate to Salado made on the day that the local citizens were slated to speak before the Sunset Commission were down by more than 11 percent, from \$33,486.67 to \$29,693.02.

> "The decrease in Hotel Occupancy Tax and Sales Tax is a direct reflection of the decrease of income of our business owners... Businesses are struggling because regular customers have altered their habits by visiting other towns for dining, shopping and entertainment which have easier access from IH35."

> "What happened in Salado should never be allowed to happen again in Texas," Rep. Carter said. "Our Central Texas economy cannot afford another construction disaster as Salado experienced and

expect to survive." The Village of Salado relies on states tax revenues for about a third of

its general budget. "Salado does not deserve what has happened," Mayor Blancett said. "Your (the state) financial help is needed and, honestly, expected. Five million of the fines charged the contractor is not too much to ask. I plead with you, find a way to help us."

It has not just been a matter of inconvenience or delay for the Village. It has been unsafe. In one month alone, Salado VFD responded to 16 motor vehicle accidents on I-35 involving 11 18 wheelers and 25 other vehicles, resulting in 13 injuries. There were three deaths in 2015 through early 2016 in three separate fatality accidents. From January 2015 through March 2016, SVFD responded to 113 motor vehicle accidents involving 202 vehicles. Since March, SVFD has responded to another 89 accidents involving 130 vehicles and 22 people transported to the emergency room.

Hearing that TXDOT is too large to be effective, and that the state agency is blundering and full of waste is nothing new for state lawmakers, who have tried for years to address its problems. It seems

that every step to address problems results in more unforeseen ones. For example, hoping to close the revolving door between the state agency and the private contractors who are awarded construction bids through the procurement process, the state adopted a law requiring a two-year waiting period before a TXDOT employee could go to work for those private contractors. The result? Dozens of high-level TXDOT employees leaving the agency before the law took effect in Sept. 2015.

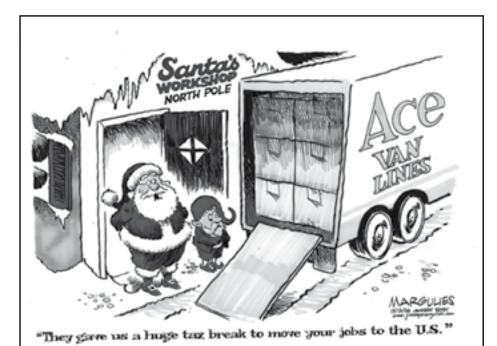
The Sunset Commission outlines 10 issues and several recommendations for TXDOT.

One of those recommendations may ally help prevent what happened in Salado. The Sunset Commission recommends that TXDOT "include a range of contract remedies in its traditional low-bid highway contracts and adopt rules to ensure its liquidated damages accurately reflect the cost of project delays."

It also recommends requiring TXDOT to "conduct contractor evaluations and consider past performance in determining bid capacity through a process defined in rule."

FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



To Kill a Pipeline

One of the Obama administration's core competencies is suspending pipeline projects with no cause.

It will leave office with another notch in its belt, now that the Army Corps of Engineers has acted to block a final piece of the Dakota Access Pipeline. The 1,200-mile pipeline is designed to move oil from North Dakota to Illinois and will have to await completion in a Trump administration with a more rational attitude toward pipelines specifically and fossil fuels generally.

The story of the Dakota Access Pipeline will be familiar to anyone who followed the controversy over the Keystone XL pipeline. As with Keystone, the builders of the pipeline have taken years to dutifully check every environmental and bureaucratic box, only to get stymied when protesters -- this time a Native American tribe -- made the project a hate totem for the left.

The protests have been led by the Standing Rock Sioux tribe of North Dakota. The tribe alleges that the Dakota Access project will trample on culturally sensitive sites and taint its drinking water, without much in the way of supporting evidence.

The dispute centers around the pipeline's planned crossing of the

Rich Lowry



Missouri River at Lake Oahe. This isn't exactly virgin territory. Around the lake, the pipeline will run within 22 to 300 feet of the existing Northern Border Gas Pipeline, which has been in service since 1982 and hasn't devastated the Standing Rock tribe. The pipeline also

tracks with an overhead

utility line.

A decision by a federal judge in September to reject a bid by the Standing Rock tribe to block the pipeline cataloged how deliberate the developers of Dakota Access have been about culturally sensitive sites. According to the opinion, the company found 149 potentially sensitive sites in its own surveying in North Dakota. It modified the route to avoid 140 of them and came up with a plan with the state of North Dakota to limit any effect on the other

Throughout most of this process, representatives of the Standing Rock tribe were notably absent. When the Army Corps invited them to a general meeting to discuss the pipeline in November

2015, five tribes attended, but not Standing Rock.

In the spring of 2016, the Corps invited tribes to conduct their own cultural surveys at locations around the route. Three tribes participated; Standing Rock did not. The tribal surveys identified additional sites of concern, where Dakota Access duly agreed to take additional protective measures.

There is no real defense, though, against protesters staging cable-TVready disturbances against a project and making it a cause celebre. For the overwhelming majority of its route, the Dakota Access pipeline requires no permitting, since it traverses private land. It's the tiny percent that would affect waterways that made it subject to federal approval, and thus to political hostage-taking.

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For the left, Dakota Access is a symbol. In reality, it is simply a means of moving half a million barrels of crude oil a day from Point A to Point B, an activity that shouldn't be considered dastardly or untoward. Fortunately for Dakota Access, and everyone else in the energy industry, help is on the way.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review. (c) 2016 by King Features Synd., Inc.

Local citizens meet with Sunset Chair

Congressman Melanie Carter asked Kirchmeier, Dave Swarthout, and myself to join him Dec. 9 in speaking to the Texas Sunset Advisory Committee. The Sunset Advisory Committee, headquartered, Robert E. Johnson State Office Building, Austin, is a Texas Legislature agency that makes recommendations to the Legislature on whether to continue various state agencies. Melanie, Dave, and I met with the Chair of the Committee and a member of his staff to discuss Salado's experience with TXDoT and James Construction. Written, factual reports were filed with the Chair and Sunset. We learned that Salado is Sunset's chief example of what a town should never experience. It will be used in recommendations to the

Mayor Skip Blancett

Legislature. Approximately 80% of all recommendations presented are approved.

Congressman Carter and Senator John Cornyn have been asked for support in receiving a permit from Federal Corps of Engineers and Fisheries to proceed with the Sewer line crossing Salado Creek. It is the last document needed, and once received, bidding can begin on building the plant and laying the line. Both can be done simultaneously.

You will begin receiving a Quarterly Update from the Alderman/lady

and myself. The first insert in the *Salado Village Voice* will be the second week in January 2017. Thank you, Shannon Ashe for your assistance.

Tuesday, 23 January, a Question and Answer State of Salado presentation is planned. The format is the answers will become the State of Salado address. Please place this date on your calendar and bring a question. No subject is off limits.

Interim City Manager, David Miller, spent time with our accountant. His comment to the Aldermen, "The financial condition of the Village is solid. Your budget is lean and can be accomplished."

Even though the weather did not cooperate with the Stroll, you made it work. Thank you for your enthusiasm and effort.



Salado thief hits again

Dear Editor:

Our Salado thief has hit again. On Saturday night the patriotic wind spin ner at Carol's corner was taken from us. In recent weeks vandals have driven through various yards in Mill Creek and at Sherrill Park leaving deep ruts in the grass and in some cases, destroyed mail boxes. On Southridge Christmas decorations were stolen. A barbecue pit was placed at Sherrill Park for use by anyone visiting the park and it has been taken. A basketball goal which was enjoyed by numerous kids was ruined, as were birdhouses in the center of the park. 2 wind spinners were taken during the springtime. As work was going on at the flower bed on MCCC grounds, one of the unplanted bushes was taken during the night.

It has been mentioned to me by a neighbor that

Your Voice

Letters to the Editor

my keeping lights on around my home all night is very aggravating to her. She says nothing goes on in our area to merit the lights. I have stated my case above.

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Our Village has become very littered with people throwing trash out their car windows or as they walk. I have noticed that Keep Salado Beautiful has placed various signs through Salado with individuals names/organizations who are responsible for keeping these areas clean. Three areas in reference are South Main, Tennis Courts on Royal and corner of Royal @ Baines. For the Volunteers to even be able to mow and edge,

it takes longer to pick up trash than to do the actual clean up. In order to Keep Salado Beautiful, we have to Make Salado Beautiful. Let's work together and follow the lead of a group of kids who fish in Sherrill Park and leave everything cleaned up everytime they visit. And if you see something happening that you know is not right, take the time to report it to the proper authorities. Let's do Make Salado Beautiful and safe and be the wonderful Village we love to call home.

Merry Christmas to all, Tommye Prater Salado, TX



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Local resident gets gift of new lungs over Thanksgiving holidays

a very special meaning for Saladoan Leona Delano and her daughter Jennifer Pavelka this year as Leona received a bilateral lung transplant.

According to her daughter Jennifer, Leona woke up from her surgey on her birthday Nov. 27. "A true blessing and miracle was given to her," Pavelka said. Leona was a Thanksgiving Day baby some 64 years ago and received a miracle in her life this year.

Leona was diagnosed 15 years ago with several different lung issues. At that time, she was told that her condition was terminal.

"After a lot of thought, Leona finally decided last October that she would take the steps to be placed on a lung transplant list," Jennifer explained.

Leona, who has never been a smoker, was diagnosed with Arthritic Lungs, Obliterative **Bronchiolitis** and Chronic Respiratory Failure with Hypoxia (HCC).

While Leona well-covered with Scott & White and Tricare insurance, there are medications that she will be

Delano and her daughter Jennifer Pavelka required to take during her recovery that may not be covered. Add to that the travel and lodging expenses that Jennifer has had to pay out

diers that have PTSD and

combat-related trauma.

Jennifer has set up a secondary home to be near her mother in the Dallas area. The first two weeks more than \$2,500 in lodging and food expenses piled up. "I finally got into

an apartment through the hospital that costs just \$20 per day," Jennifer said.

If you would like to donate to help Leona Delano through the next six months, you can do so online: https://www. youcaring.com/leonadelano-709402.

Jennifer said that she and her mother look forward to coming back to live in Salado when Leona is able to do so.

"Her recovery is slow and she will need to stay in the Dallas area for 3-6 months," Jennifer said. "There will be Several months of pulmonary rehabilitation required when she gets out of the hospital in a few months. Her spirit is strong but her body needs to also get strong."

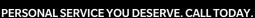
"Any amount of donations will help," she added, "No amount is too small and is appreciated."



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beginning to stack up.

and rehabilitation.

By Ed Feulner

"Let's not make a federal case out of this." Nearly all of us have heard someone say something like this at one time or another. And it used to mean something. Not anymore.

This bit of sarcasm, after all, is meant to imply that the person you're talking to is taking some relatively small matter and making too big a deal out of it. Only the most serious crimes rise to the level of federal law, right?

Welcome to the 21st century. Today more than 300,000 federal criminal laws are on the books. There are so many, in fact, that stating the exact number is impossible. No one knows for sure how many there are.

"They are published in the bowels of the federal register — the place where few people outside of law firms and major corpo-

rations look to find laws - and are often drafted in ambiguous and often hyper-technical language that can't be understood," writes John-Michael Seibler, a legal fellow in the Edwin Meese III Center for Legal and Judicial

In short, you could be breaking a federal law and not even know it. And the fact that you didn't know you were doing so, or didn't intend to break the law, would make no difference.

But still, you may be thinking, these crimes must be pretty bad. Well, let's see. Has your dog ever barked at a squirrel? Depending on where the squirrel is, you may be in trouble. It's a federal crime to allow a pet to make a noise that scares wildlife within a national park.

Let's say you work at an ice-cream shop, and you put a few too many drops of wine into a wine sorbet that's for sale. Uh-

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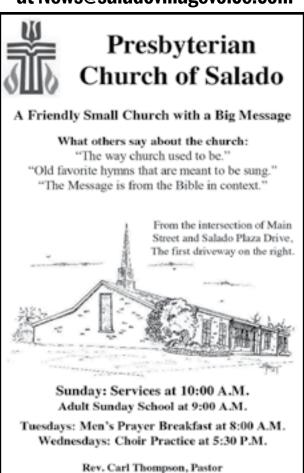




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Steel Magnolias present "Ring the Bells of Christmas

The Steel Magnolias present "Ring the Bells of Christmas" at Val Verde Baptist Church, Holland. On Saturday evening, Dec. 17, The Steel Magnolias of San Marcos, will present a fully choreographed Christmas program, "RING THE BELLS OF CHRISTMAS," at 6 p.m. The public is invited at no charge.

The Steel Magnolias have sung all over the United States for the past ten years; last fall along the east coast traveling 16days on a concert tour as far north as Niagara Falls, singing 43 times through 15 states covering 4600 miles. They presented 13 "Flash Mobs," including New York City at Radio City Music Hall, Rockefeller Center, Times Square, Liberty Island Ferry, the new One World Trade Center, and were invited to sing at the Billy Graham Library and Samaritan's Purse in North Carolina. The highlight of this trip was to sing at the Calhoun County Jail in Anniston, AL. On that same tour, the ladies presented five concerts at the 3-Day Virginia Beach Gospel Music Festival in Virginia Beach,

The ladies traveled through Arkansas, Tennessee, Alabama and Louisiana this summer where they presented concerts throughout the southland for 8 days.

"Your life will never be the same after experiencing the dynamic witness of The Steel Magnolias. The Christmas program they present is a true anointing



of the Lord and your heart will be blessed. Come "Ring the Bells of Christmas" with us." Said Pastor Worden.

Pastor Richard Worden and the congregation of Val Verde Baptist Church, Holland, invite the public to come hear The Steel Magnolias share the Christmas story at this evening event, Saturday, Dec. 17. The church is located at 1058 FM 2268, Holland.

You can call Richard Worden at (254) 541-6581,

or Debbie Daniel, (512) 757-4901, for more information, or go to: www. thesteelmagnolias.com to see The Steel Magnolia concert schedule, or www. facebook.com/thesteelmagnoliastx to find out more about this ministry.

UMHB Fall Commencement

The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor fall Commencement was held on Friday, Dec. 9, in the Bell County Expo. This was the university's 160th graduating class. 502 students were awarded degrees. Of those, 336 students received baccalaureate degrees, 164 received master's degrees, and 2 earned doctoral degrees.

Laura Marie Cashion, of Salado, received her B.S.N. in Nursing degree.

Student awards given during the ceremony included the Provost Medal

for highest overall GPA, which was split between seven students who each graduated with perfect 4.0 grade point averages: Allyson Baker of Fort Worth, Marina Hanshaw of Killeen, Emily McGee of Cypress, Edgar Ortiz of Belton, Christina Sawyer of Nolanville, Kayla Shepherd of Temple, and Josh Wesselius of Belton.

The Loyalty Cup for the student who is most representative of the ideals, traditions and spirit of the university was given to Taylor McClintock, Andria Ramirez. The President's Award for meritorious service went to Julia Brown. During her time on campus Brown has served with Student Foundation, University Singers, and One Voice.

"You have made friendships and memories to last a lifetime, and it's hard to leave," President Randy O'Rear said. "I want you to know it's also hard on us to say goodbye as we have greatly enjoyed getting to know you over the last several years."

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Sgt. First Class Allan E. Brown

The Department of Defense announced today the death of a Fort Hood Soldier who was supporting Operation Freedom's Sentinel.

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Sgt. First Class Allan E. Brown, 46, whose home of record is listed as Takoma Park, Maryland, died Dec. 6 at Walter Reed National Medical Center, Bethesda, Maryland, of injuries sustained from an improvised explosive device in Bagram, Afghanistan, that occurred on Nov. 12. Also, killed in the incident were Sgt. John W. Perry, 30, of Stockton, California, who died Nov. 12 and Pfc. Tyler R. Iubelt, 20, of Tamaroa, Illinois, who died Nov. 12. Brown entered active-duty military service in March 2004 as a senior data systems integrator.

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Brown was assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Special Troops Battalion, 1st Sustainment Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas, since July 2012.

Brown deployed in sup-

port of Operation Iraqi Freedom from August 2006 to August 2007, November 2008 to October 2009, and December 2010 to December 2011. Brown deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom from July 2014 to September 2014. He deployed in support of Operation Freedom's Sentinel from September to December 2016. Brown's awards include five Army Commendation Medals, two Army Achievement Medals, three Army Good Conduct Medals, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal, two National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with campaign star, four Iraqi Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Korean Defense Service Medal. Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, five Overseas Service Ribbons, four Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, and NATO medal.

Salado **Chorus Christmas Concert** Dec. 8 at FBC









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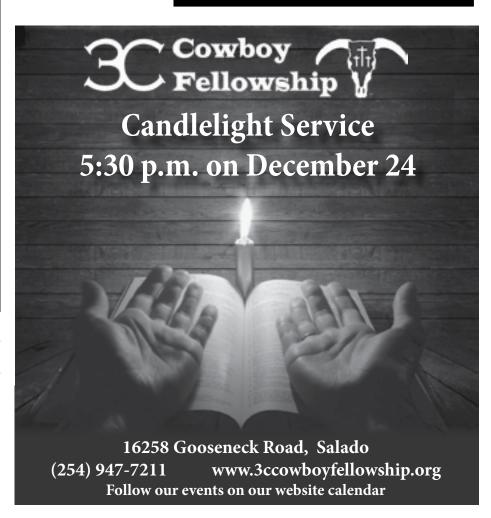
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Worship Service in Chapel Contemporary

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Trial continued from page 3A Innocent Americans on

oh. That, too, is a federal offense, punishable by up to one year in jail and fines of up to \$1,000.

The list goes on, many of them amusingly ridiculous. But to the people who

get caught -- ordinary, otherwise law-abiding Americans who had no idea that they were flouting any law, federal or otherwise -- it's no laughing matter.

Ask Wyoming welder

Andy Johnson. His misdeed? He built a stock pond on his eight-acre farm. The Environmental Protection Agency proceeded to fine him \$16 million, or \$37,500

Seibler lists several pictured on the label aren't other federal offenses that have appeared on the Twitter page "A Crime a Day." These include:

Making it a crime to sell mixed nuts if the nuts

in decreasing weight order (21 USC §333 & 21 CFR §164.110(f)).

Making it a federal crime to let small cigars leave the cigar factory unless they're labeled "small" or "little" (26 USC §5762 & 27 CFR §41.73).

Making it a crime for amateur radio operators to sell amateur radio equipment, and using amateur radio too often (47 USC §502 & 47 CFR §97.113).

Making it a federal crime for the operator of a wharf to let his longshoremen use common drinking cups (33 USC §941(f) & 29 CFR §1918.95(b)(3)).

And this is just the tip of the iceberg. Thousands of other crimes are on the books, waiting to be discovered by some unsuspecting American who breaks them.

It's obvious that something needs to be done to reduce the scope and reach of what experts in this area often call "over-criminalization." We need to distinguish between innocent mistakes and deliberate crimes.

In 1925, Franz Kafka's "The Trial" was published. It tells the story of a man prosecuted by an inaccessible authority for a crime whose nature is never revealed to him.

Today that work of fiction has become disturbingly close to reality. It's time to declare a mis-"Trial" -and restore common sense to federal law.

Ed Feulner is founder of The Heritage Foundation (www.heritage.org).







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Covering Salado students from Thomas Arnold to SHS

December 15, 2016

High inducts 43 into National Honor Society

Forty-three High School students were inducted into National Honor Society on Dec. 5.

These students were selected by a faculty committee after meeting the high standards of scholarship, leadership, service and character required for membership in the prestigious organization.

The NHS officers, Natalie Bazar, President and Becca Gonzales, Courtney Evens, Brittany Vrooman and Phillip Ruiz spoke on these attributes and administered the pledge to the inductees. Parents took part in the ceremony, placing a chord on their son or daughter as they came forward to receive the NHS card.

Pictured at right are the NHS member.

Front Row: Grace Barker, Abigail Molyneaux,

Salado Elizabeth Won, Samantha Bourque, Eliot Mettenbrink, Hailey Giesecke, Ansley Flowers, Aunnika Deen, Brileigh Cole

Second Row: Sydney Hill, Savannah Reeder, Sarah Umpleby, Lexie Lima, Christian Ortiz, Matthew Maldonado, Aaron Wilkerson, Corban Mescher, Hali Fischer, Rayne Polkowski

Third Row: Jackson Arrendondo, Benjamin Sunshine, Samuel Brown, Rustin Hale, Parker Shelley, Connor Cook, WP Roche, Jeb Sproul, Ryan Tepera, Caleb Chambliss

Fourth Row: Tate Harvey, Jonathan Keyes, Walker Hawkins, Noah Barker, Bryce Wales, Barret Schoenrock, Sebastian Welch, Jeremy Jarvis, Nathan Cahoon, Brandt Rodeffer, Tommie Barker



Shown above are the 43 Salado High School students who were inducted into the National Honor Society Dec. 5. (PHOTO COURTESY SHS YEARBOOK)

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By Kenzie Pardon

College recruiters visited Salado Youth Leadership on Dec. 6 at Salado High School.

The colleges included Texas A&M University, Texas A&M University - Central Texas, Baylor University, the University of Mary Hardin - Baylor, Temple College, and Central Texas College. The college representatives from each school gave an

and then all the students have the opportunity to ask questions.

Starting at Central Texas College tuition is \$200-\$3,000 depending on whether you are active military or a Texas resident. They offer 28 different fields. During the fall and spring semesters a single occupancy room is \$2,800 and a double is \$2,400.

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At Texas A&M - Central Texas tuition is \$2,046 for a undergraduate resident. Room and board is \$4,500, and they offer 23 undergraduate degree pro-

Temple college tuition is \$3,744 for an undergraduate in state, while room and board is \$6,440. They provide 18 programs to study.

Texas A&M's tuition for an in state resident is \$10,030 while room and board is \$10,368. They offer 143 majors to study.

The University of Mary Hardin Baylor tuition is \$11,830 and room and board is \$3,796. They offer 43 undergraduate programs.

Finally Baylor University's tuition is \$39,610 and room and board is \$12,588. They offer 141 programs to undergraduates.

The college recruiters also discussed on how to get started with planning college early by going over some of the requirements.



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of the three games they played in the Jarrell Basketball tournament Dec. 8-10, losing to Teague in the first round and beating an Australian team and Odem over the next two days. Salado 45 Teague The Salado Eagles

low-scoring game.

Eagles go 2-of-3 in

Also scoring for the Eagles were Willy Whigham, 4 points, Jake Pittman and Jeremy Jarvis, 2 points each.

Salado Australia

In a tightly fought game, Salado edged their counterparts from down under 35-34 in the second round of the Jarrell basketball tournament Dec. 9.

Salado trailed by 2 points at the end of the first, 7-9 but lead by a 1 point margin at the half 17-16. The Eagles led 27-25 after three periods and held on for the win.

Wall led the scoring with 11 points, including three 3 pointers.

Stump followed with 76 points, including one

Jarrell Tournament

Odem

Also scoring for the Eagles were Jarvis, 6 points, Whigham, 5 points, Pittman, 4 points and Anthony Young, 2 points. Salado

Salado handled Odem fairly easily in the final round of play in Jarrell, winning 46-26.

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The Eagles jumped out to a 12-4 after the first and never looked back. Salado led 18-11 at the half.

Stump scored 11 of his tournament-high 25 points in the third quarter, leading Salado to a 17 point effort and a 35-24 lead.

Also scoring for Salado were Jarvis, 8 points, Wall, 5 points, Young, 3 points, Ryan Kyburz and Whigham, 2 points each and Quade Brown, 1 point.

Ladies beat Llano in opener

Salado Lady Eagles led by as much as 20 points, as they notched a win in their district opener last week against the Llano Lady Yellowjackets. The girls went on to win 53-35.

struggled in the third

quarter of their first-round

game against Teague, scoring just 3 points while

the Tigers added 10 points.

Salado lost the game to the

do 16-9 in the first quarter

and held on for a slimmer

all of his 9 points in the

first half to lead the Ea-

gles. Evan Wall also had 9

24-19 halftime lead.

Teague outscored Sala-

Trevor Stump scored

Tigers 29-45.

Sara Kelarek shot 4-of-10 and 1-of-4 from beyond the arc as she scored 17 points to lead Salado.

Kelarek also led Salado with 7 rebounds and had 3 steals.

The Lady Eagles edged out a six point lead after the first quarter and led by 11 at the half 29-18.

Kayla Manning scored 9 points for Salado. Manning grabbed 4 rebounds.

Also scoring for Salado

points, 3 rebounds, 3 assists; Katelyn Seymour, 7 points, 3 rebounds; Danni McDaniel, 5 points, 3 rebounds; Lexie Lima, 3 points, 2 rebounds, 2 assists, Taylor Lowrance, 2 points, 4 rebounds, 2 blocks, 1 steal; and Kaia Philen, 2 points, 2 re-

bounds. were Kerrigan Hearne, 8 Registration now open

Turn memories into memoirs and past experiences into the present with well-crafted stories, poems, novels, plays or songs. Creative writing classes with Cynthia Linzy begin on January 4, at 10-11 a.m. for the morning class or 3:45-4:45 p.m. for the afternoon class. The weekly class is held on Wednesdays, and cost is \$35 for the month for ages 8-12. Adult writing classes will be held Tuesday evenings at 7-8:30 p.m. and Friday mornings at 10-11:30 a.m. Attendees should bring a composition book or journal.

Widely published and acclaimed poet Cynthia Linzy will lead visualiza-

for Writing Classes tion exercises, easy writing prompts, and useful writing examples to create strong writing with careful word choice and other effective writing techniques. Join this group of informal writers and discover a unique writing style in a relaxed, informal, supportive class atmosphere. Class includes individual critique of your work and suggested sources for publication if desired. Both new and experienced writers welcome, as well as visual artists wanting to learn how to paint with

> As writer-in-residence for the Texas Commission on the Arts, Linzy has taught numerous workshops and performed

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many readings throughout Texas. Her poems have been published in literary magazines and have been set to music and performed on PBS. Her libretto for the oratorio For All Mankind was performed by the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra and the Temple Civic Chorus, and she served as poetry editor of the Balcones Magazine. As a certified English, Spanish, and E.S.L. teacher, she has taught both children's and adult creative writing for Temple College, Central Texas College, and the Centro de Estudios Interamericanos

The Cultural Activities Center, located at 3011 North Third Street in Temple, offers classes and programs for all ages throughout the year. For more information on upcoming events and to register, visit cacARTS.org or call 254-773-9926.

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Salado ISD releases early

Dec. 16 Salado ISD will release at noon on Dec. 16 for the Christmas holidays. Dec. 16 also marks the final day of the nine week grading period and first semester.

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The '05 Salado Spirit Girls finished their soccer season as one of the top eight Division II teams in the state, advancing to the Western District Semifinals in Corpus Christi Dec. 9-11. Top row from left: Alejandra Lopez-Kelly, Jordan Dawson, Reese Rich, Madison Rosamond, Ashley Ortiz, Ashlyn Stouder, Emily Havelka, Payton Cunningham. Bottom row from left: Leyla Peralta, Kennedy Anthony, Haley Piatak, Elizabeth Katz, Katelyn Bartek.



Young actors take the stage with CAC theater classes

Young actors will develop theater skills and perform in a live production of The Miracle Worker in Taking the Stage acting classes at the Cultural Activities Center (CAC).

Held on Thursdays at 4:30-6 p.m., the ten-week class starts January 5 and will culminate in a show for the public on March 10. Cost is \$65 per month for ages 8-18.

After teaching theater at One Day Academy in Temple, instructor Angela Everett is excited about taking kids onto the stage of the CAC's Mayborn Auditorium. Using her expertise and experience in acting, she will cover theater fundamentals including projection, characterization, blocking, creativity, auditioning, and much

actor/director Angela Everett has 36 vears of acting experience and 14 years of directing experience. She also has one year of acting as a lead role in a Christian television sitcom. Everett recently directed her first short film and is in auditions for an independent film to be shot here in Central Texas.

The Cultural Activi-

ties Center, located at 3011 North Third Street in Temple, offers classes and programs for all ages throughout the year. Ongoing classes include writing, clay, yoga, Bricks 4 Kidz and dance and movement. Visit www.cacARTS.org or call 254-773-9926 for more information on upcoming events and to register.





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Local kids had the chance of creating holiday hats during a workshop Dec. 10 at the Imagineer Arts Co. of Salado. (Courtesy Photo)

Salado junior high girls basketball results

competed against Llano and Marble Falls in recent

district basketball games. Here are the results from the games against

Llano: 7th A Llano 12

Leading scorer: Darci Pryor, 6 points.

"We have been really struggling being a 4th quarter team...finishing the game like we start it. The girls did a much better job last night with this. They ran our offense with patience and handled the pressure better."

8th A Llano Leading scorers:

Salado junior high girls Amanda Cantu 9 points, Amy Manning 9 points, Lorena Perez 7 points.

"The girls played really well tonight. Our shots were finally falling and 8 out of the 11 girls had points on the board. We went 9-14 at the free throw line which is a big improvement from our previous games. Our defense was spot on...the girls were playing aggressive and really starting to move their feet and play smart basketball."

7th B 11 Llano

Leading scorers: Savvy Oyler, points; Avery Fossum, 4 points. 32

Leading scorers: Kamryn Cole, 10 points; Allison Carnahan, 8 points. Here are the results

from the games against Marble Falls: 7th A 28

Marble Falls 21

Leading scorers: Mia Saulter, 8 points; Eishen Young 6 points; Darci Pryor, 6 points.

8th A 38 11 Marble Falls

Leading scorers: Amanda Cantu, 8 points; Amy Manning, 7 points; Lorena Perez, 6 points.

"The girls played really well as a team this game. We are still making some fundamental mistakes and

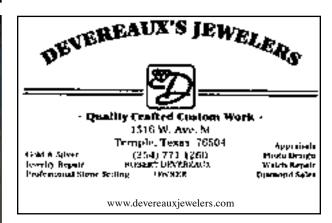
not seeing the floor as well as we should, but it is still early in the season. Our full court press looked really good last night... they were very aggressive to the ball. We have two more big games before we head into the Christmas break. Our goal is to head into break with a winning record." Coach Preston

7th B Marble Falls 24

Leading scorers: Savvy Oyler, 8 points.

8th B 37 Marble Falls 16

Leading scorers: Kamryn Cole, 11 points; Allison Carnahan, points; Katie Law, 6



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8th B

Gia Price and Presley Maddux, Salado Junior High, eighth grade cheerleaders were chosen to be UCA All American Cheerleaders. The team selections were made during cheer camp this summer. Each girl had to learn and perform a new cheer routine with jumps and dance routine for the audition. Over 100 girls tried out. The UCA All American Cheerleaders were invited to be in the HEB Thanksgiving Day Parade in Houston. The parade was even broadcasted on local Houston TV stations. They are shown above getting ready for the parade. (Courtesy PHOTO)





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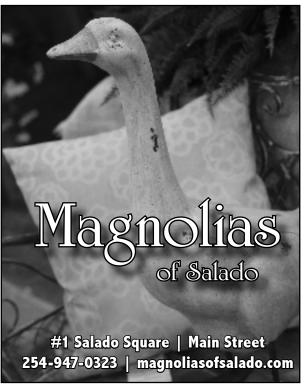
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Salado Christmas Stroll highlights











Salado Christmas Stroll traditions - carriage rides, music across the village, fun food and hands on art experiences combine with holiday shopping to make everyone's Christmas a merry one. PHOTOS BY RON LEGUIN AND PAULETTE CHANDLER

Historic Salado Christmas event at Central Texas Area Museum

On Saturday, December 10, Central Texas Area Museum provided a glimpse into past Christmases as might have been seen in the pioneer days of Salado. Elizabeth Silverthorne's book "Christmas in Texas" was used as the basis for the daylong event portraying cultural traditions that were brought to Texas by early settlers. Museum volunteers under the guidance of the museum curator, Coleman Hampton and volunteer Bill Kinnison, created three representational scenes: a "hardscrabble" farmer, a Victorian parlor and a large ranch or plantation gala Christmas gathering. Linda Griffith orchestrated the decoration of the museum and trees with popcorn, cranberry, and colored paper chains, just as pioneers decorated their trees. With Elizabeth Silverthorne's suggestions, early Christmas traditions and seasonal food samples were provided. Food samples included apples, oranges and nuts (which were special gifts for children), Wassail, pound cake, kolaches, scones, gingerbread. Jackie Mills enlisted Tablerock reenactors in period costumes to represent pioneers at each scene. The reenactors pro-



Vic Means and Jerry Goodman

vided information about the traditions and food at each scene. The historic recreation of early Christmases was open to the public and enjoyed by the many visitors to Salado.

Richard Paul Thomas played and sang traditional Christmas songs that would have been familiar to pioneers and part of their Christmas celebration. Elizabeth Silverthorne was present to autograph her book "Christmas in Texas" and talk about the traditions brought to Texas by pioneers. Santa (Ted Morris) appeared to the delight of both kids and adults.

Coleman Hampton showed visitors the new museum exhibit area which was recently completed for the Historic Salado Christmas event. Also, Coleman explained the new entity to be known as the "Salado Museum and College Park" that is a result of the merger between the Central Texas Area Museum and Salado College Foundation. The remodeled museum area and Historic Salado Christmas event are the result of a collaboration between the two organizations' volunteers interested in preserving and promoting Salado history.





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DECEMBER 15

Salado Area Republican Women, 11:30 a.m. at Salado Civic Center. **Program: Installation of Officers**

DECEMBER 15

Pint Night and Tanner Newman, 6 p.m. - midnight at Chupacabra Craft Beer & Salado **Lone Star Winery**

Live Music: Brian Bell, 1 - 5 p.m. at Chupacabra Craft Beer & Salado Lone Star Winery

DECEMBER 16

DECEMBER 16

Holiday Movie Double Feature, 2:30 p.m. at Salado Public Library. The Nightmare Before **Christmas and Gremlins**

DECEMBER 16

Fun! Fun! Fundraiser!, 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co. Craft Brews, Henco en Queso Food Truck, Silent Auction and music by Wayworn Traveler, The **Blackfoot Daisies and** special guests. Proceeds benefit Chris Brown who recently lost her home to fire.

DECEMBER 17

Saturday Stress Free Shop Local Event at Angelic Herbs

DECEMBER 17

"Hold It!" Last Minute Gifts Class, 10:30 a.m. at Stamp Salado. \$38 info: stampsalado.

DECEMBER 17

The Reason for the Season - Altered Tin & Tags Class, 1:30 p.m. at Stamp Salado. \$32 info: stampsalado.com

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DECEMBER 17

Live Music: Smoking Maxx Carter, 8 - 11 p.m. at Chupacabra Craft Beer & Salado Lone Star Winery

DECEMBER 18

Greening of the Church following the 11 a.m. service at St. Joseph's Episcopal Church

DECEMBER 19 - JAN 2 No Salado ISD classes

December 23

Live Music: Salt Creek Revival 9 p.m. midnight at Chupacabra Craft Beer & Salado **Lone Star Winery**

DECEMBER 24

Chupacabra Craft Beer & Salado Lone Star Winery will be closed

DECEMBER 24 - 26 Salado Public Library closed

DECEMBER 24

Christmas Eve Services at Salado United **Methodist Church:** Family Service, 3 p.m., in the Worship Center; **Candlelight Services** 4:30 p.m., 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. in the Historic Chapel

December 24

Christmas Eve Services at St. Joseph's **Episcopal Church: 4:10** p.m. Hymns and carols followed by Holy Eucharist Rite 2 and 8:40 p.m. hymns and carols followed by Holy Eucharist Rite 2 with Incense



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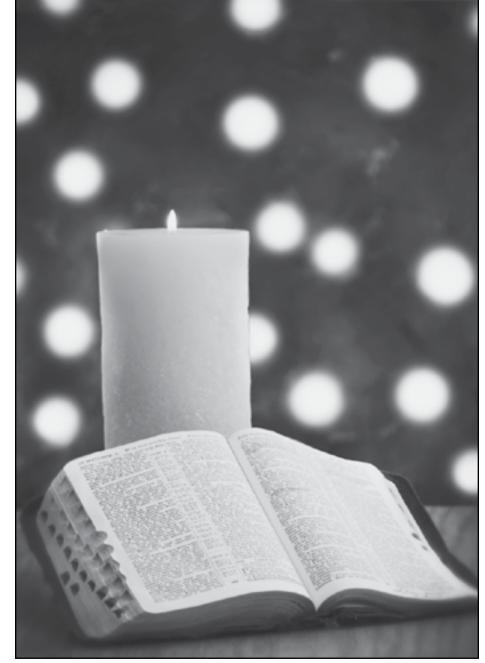
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DECEMBER 24

Christmas Eve Mass, 4 p.m., 5:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. (English) and 7 p.m. (Spanish) at Saint Stephen Catholic Church

DECEMBER 24

Candlelight Service, **5:30** p.m. at **3C** Cowboy **Fellowship**

DECEMBER 25

Christmas Mass, 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. (English) and 12:30 p.m. (Spanish) at Saint Stephen Catholic Church

DECEMBER 25

2, 10 a.m. at St. Joseph's **Episcopal Church**

DECEMBER 25

Christmas Service, 4 p.m. at the Salado United Methodist Church Worship Center.

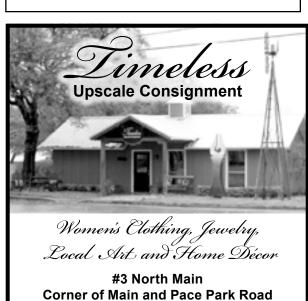
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December 29 **Pint Night and Free**

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DECEMBER 30 **Live Music: Brian** Bell, 8 - 11 p.m. at Chupacabra Craft Beer & Salado Lone Star Winery

Live Music, 6 p.m. -

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DECEMBER 31

Vigil Masses for Mary, Mother of God, 5 p.m. (English) and 7 p.m. (Spanish) at Saint Stephen Catholic Church

DECEMBER 31

Brew Year's Eve **Celebration at Barrow** Brewing Co

DECEMBER 31

Live music, 9 p.m. midnight at Chupacabra Craft Beer & Salado **Lone Star Winery**

January 1

New Year's Day Service, 10 a.m. at the **Salado United Methodist Worship Center**

January 2

Salado Public Library closed January 7

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January 9

Salado Masonic Lodge Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

January 14

Asanas & Ales, 9:30 -11 a.m. at Barrow Brewing Company

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Regular Events in the Village of Salado

Mondays

Yoga for Women's Health, 9 a.m. at Salado Yoga and Wellness Info: (254) 681-7623.

Children's Story and Craft Time, 11 a.m. at Salado Public Library. info: (254) 947-9191

Salado Village Artists Stitchers & Knitters, 2 p.m. at Salado Village Artists Building.

Classified advertising deadline for Salado Village Voice, noon. info: advertising@saladovillagevoice.com

Monday Madness Sale, 2 - 5 p.m. at Stamp Salado.

Yoga Basics & Beyond, 6 p.m. at Salado Yoga and Wellness. 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.

Monday Club, 2 p.m. at Salado United Methodist Church Youth Activities Center

Salado Historical Society board meeting, 6 p.m. at Salado Public Library.

SECOND MONDAY

Second Monday Book Club at Salado Winery, 7 -9 p.m.

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

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

Salado Athletic **Boosters Club meeting,** 7 p.m. at the High School

Library. (no July meeting)

THIRD MONDAY Salado United Meth-

odist Women, 5:45 p.m. at Salado United Methodist Church Room 117

FOURTH MONDAY Salado Public Library

Board of Trustees Meeting, 5 p.m. at the library **TUESDAYS**

Learning English Among Friends (LEAF) class, 4:30 p.m. at Thomas Arnold Elementary. Class for Salado ISD parents interested in learning English. 947-6910

YogaStrong, 9-10 a.m. at Salado Yoga and Wellness. Info: (254) 681-7623.

Salado Village Artists, Village Art Building, 9 a.m., Bring your artwork third Tuesday will be set up for still life.

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

Sit & Knit, 10 a.m. - noon at Salado Public Library. info: (254) 947-9191

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

Chair Yoga, noon - 1 p.m. at Salado Yoga and Wellness Info: (254) 681-

Tex Mex Tuesday at Alexander's Distillery (254) 947-5554

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. info: (254) 541-7824

Restorative Yoga, 6 - 7 p.m. at Salado Yoga and Wellness Info: (254) 681-

Team Roping Practice, 6:30 p.m. at 3C Cowboy Fellowship Arena. Call before you haul 947-7214

FIRST TUESDAY

Salado Village Artists **Board Meeting,** 9 a.m. at the Village Art Building. Followed by General Meeting at 10:30 a.m.

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.

Bunco, 6:30 p.m. at Salado Lone Star Winery and Chupacabra Craft

Night of Ministry, 7 p.m. at 3C Cowboy Fel-

FOURTH TUESDAY

lowship WEDNESDAYS **IN.FORM** course, 5

p.m. at Angelic Herbs. Info: (254) 947-1909 Yoga for Core, 8 -8:50 a.m. at Salado Yoga

Power Flow Yoga level 1&2, 6:10-7:10 p.m. at Salado Yoga and Well-

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Wine Wednesday at Alexander's Distillery (254) 947-5554

Second Wednesday

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

THIRD WEDNESDAY

Mah Jongg at Salado Public Library, 10 a.m.-2

FOURTH WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAYS

Flow & Glow Yoga, **8:45 - 10:15 a.m.** at Salado Yoga and Wellness Info: (254) 681-7623.

Chair Yoga, noon - 1 p.m. at Salado Yoga and Wellness Info: (254) 681-

Hatha Flow levels 1&2, 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. at Salado Yoga and Wellness Info: (254) 681-7623.

Restorative Yoga Class, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Salado Yoga and Wellness

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.



Sign up at runsignup.com.

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 a.m. at the Salado United Methodist Church Youth Activities Center.

Crop Night, 5 - 9 p.m. at Stamp Salado, \$5 reservation required: (254) 947-8848

Neighbors Night Out, 6 - 10 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Company. info: barrowbrewing.com

Barrel Racing, 6:30 p.m. at 3C Cowboy Fellowship Arena. Call before you haul 947-7214

THIRD THURSDAY Salado Chamber of Commerce Board

Meeting, 8:30 a.m. at the Visitors Center.

Yoga on Salado **Square,** 9 - 9:45 a.m., info: erinelizabechlabadie.

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.

FRIDAY

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

FRIDAY

Display advertising deadline for Salado Village Voice, noon. info: advertising@saladovillagevoice.com

Hecho En Queso food truck, 4-10 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co. on Royal Street. info: barrowbrewing.com

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

Live music at Chupacabra Craft Beer & Salado Lone Star Win-

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.

Royal Art Walk, late shopping, dining, art and entertainment

SATURDAYS

Hatha Flow Levels 1 & 2, 8:30-9:30 a.m. at Salado Yoga and Wellness. Info: (254) 681-7623

Studio Time for Salado Village Artists members, 10 a.m. info: saladovillageartists.com

Prenatal Yoga, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Salado Yoga and Wellness. 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.

Live music at Chupacabra Craft Beer & Salado Lone Star Win-

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

Church SECOND SATURDAY Asanas & Ales, 9:30 -

11 a.m. at Barrow Brew-

SUNDAYS

ing Company

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

Hatha Therapy, 3 - 4 p.m. at Salado Yoga and Wellness. 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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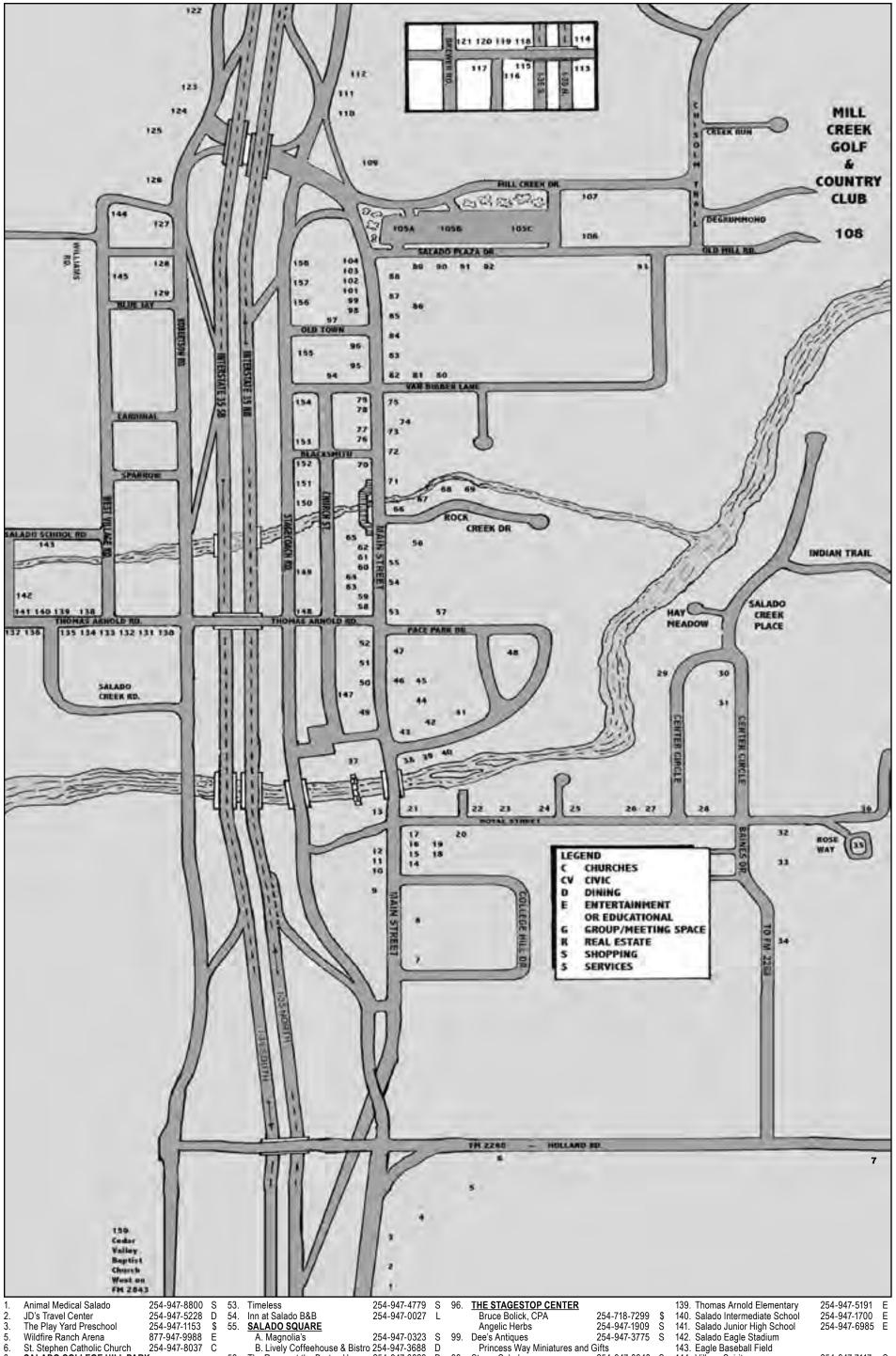
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Each Christmas Salado Village Voice prints letters to Santa written by third graders at Salado Intermediate School. Great care is taken to preserve the spelling and punctuation.

Mrs. Ramsey's Class Dear Santa,

How's Rudolph doing? For Chirsmas I want shpkins, renetics and, puppy, art kit useicly, shirts, visa card, snow otsid, on before I ceap going can you hug me whene im sleeping? I want hacanimals, mals, sline, onother elf. on the shelf girl, cat, a pic of you, books, computur, wii u gams, thats all I wander if I can see Rudoph?

Your's truly, Molly

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a grat christmas. Tell class to have a grat christmas to all hope you have a grat cookes. This year i would love a tikit to a NFL game to meet the cowboys and to be on the field to meet the cowboys player. I hope you have a grat flayrien and snacks.

Sincerly, Hudson

Dear Santa Claws,

How are you doing are the randear doing fine to I hope so. Becuse I want you to spread your magick everywhere. If I cold hear your slaghbells ring that wold be the first time. And I only want two things for christmas. A swingset and a new ipad. Santa I know your mode you check it one and you check it twice. I hope i was on the godo

Sincerily, Micah

Dear Santa,

How are your elves doing? Do they have a lot of toys? Are they special? Is rudof good to get the toys to diliver form the chiminey? Are they speical? I want money, a computer, and lots of reindeer lapfets! I wish if i can see you in real life when you are sending the present form the sky. Andi really wan tyou to give me one of your deer bells.

Sencerely, Angel

Dear Santa Claus,

How is Rudolph doing and the reindeer. Dose the trip seem longer and longer each time. How tall are your elves. and how many toys do you guys make and how can all those toys fit in your bag. and how old are you. this year I would love a newp hone and a spy kit and a aclly carmug. chould I have a Invencin kit and a gife card to Homedep. and more makeup and a adventure kit and a picture of you and a magic kit. can I have a elve on a shelf. THank you so much and have a great sleigh ride. and make shore to eat the cookies.

Sincerely, Reese

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you doing? I wonder if Rudophs noese is still shinier than ever. This Cristmas I wold love... medium cross in my back yard, gold heart ring, and al ittle docter elf bed and a reguler elf bed for 2 elfs. Pokemon cards, Beanny Boo Birthday April 11, and Beanny Boo Pug, iphone. THank you for all these years for these wunderfull geft that the children of the world love and injoy Thank you.

With love, Brynlee

Dear Santa, How are you doing. I would like some of these things please. I rilly want one on of those pupies that look like a red rilly fullfy fox, I would also like a fennce fox, a horse, a good friend, a happy famly, a cat, a giant bag of dinamite chips and bean dip, a metel slenkey, a pinyata filled with candy candy canes and the last thing is for my mom to fell beter.

Love, Brooklynn

Dear Santa,

How are your reindeer doing? How are the elves? How are you doing Santa? you are doing a good job watching all of us. This year I would like a remote control car. I would also like a hatchimal. They are so cute! I hope you have a good christmas Eve I will leave some hay for the reindeer and some coocies and milk for yoo.

With love, Ashley

Dear Santa Cluase,

How are you doing? Are the sick elves okay? I hope so. Well let's get to the good part. What I want for christmas is. A white hover board, White vtech watch, Nike clothes an shoes pelase. Hawii tickets 10 of them please. Well I hop the Elves feel better.

Love you, Elsie

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa I would like a hyosionose ring also a tampalen. I have a ide a can make a list. This year I would like hot wheels, a t.v., money, a computer, a dog, and a david busters card. Now I would like to know how you ar edoing. I have some quustions for you. Have you ever let kids ride with you? Can you give me one of your bells from your sleigh? Am I on the nice or naughty list? I hope I am on the nice list. Oh off subject How are Rudoph, Dasher, Prancer, Blitzen, Vixen, Cupid, and Comet. The hting I woudl really like some of the magic flying food that you give the reindeer. Merry christmas Santa!

Love, Solomon

Dear Santa,

Thank you for giving presents to us. How are you doing? Is Mrs. Claus ok? Have the reindeer gotten sick? Have you gotten sick? I'll sto pasking questions. One more how are the elves? Tell them I said "thank you for making". Ok I have some many more questions. Do vou have a secret hideout? I want an Iphone 6+, Andes mints, 6 foot can of cheese balls, and a picture of you giving me a hug. Please respond to this letter. I love having you as Santa Claus. Thank you for your work. See you at Christmas.

Sincerly, Haley

Dear Santa,

Does Rudoph still fly at the front of the sleigh? Hwo flyies the sleigh when you are sick? How do the raindeer fly? Do you have a mom and dad? How are you? How old are you? What I want for Cristmast is a drone, one that has a camera on it and it goes really really far and it takes pictures! Do you know all of the names of kids in the world? How is Mrs. Cluase doing? Did you play a sport? Merry Christmas,

Sincerly Brooks

Dear Santa,

How are you and your randirs doing. How much stuff have you amde? thers a a cople things that I want a metal detecktor, a gear clock, and a PS4, please reply back I am going to put randir food ont he front porch please eat it. What are the randirs names.

With love, yours sincerely, Wyatt

Dear Santa,

I hope you a merry Chistmas! I love you and I hope everybods on the nice list. So i'm going to say somee things that I want for chistmas. first i want argerashan stuff, shopkins, little stuffed animals, and a great chistmas movie so my family and I can watch it on chistmas morning. I hope you have great days. Merry chistmas and remember I always believe and love you. Oh and before you leave can you give me a hug and write me a note back? Thank vou santa for all the stuff vou gave me through all the years, Merry chistmas.

Love, Caitlyn

Dear Santa, How are the reindeer doing? How are the elves doing? How are fligigit and flight doing? How are you doing? Is Barney ok? What stop am I? Heer are the things that I want Chistmas spirit, joy, love, faith in you, my brother's trackes, and a bell form your reindeer ok thanks. Thanks for the video. I hope you have a good Cristmas. Merry Cristmas!

Sincerely, Miles

Mrs. Crisp's Class Dear Santa,

How are you? Hey! How have you gotten all those gifts? How is Rudolph? How are the Elves? How is Mrs. Claus. Hey! I do want something like an iphone 7, playstation 4, pokemon I want them because they are fun. I hope you have a Merry Christmas. Be safe flying.

Dear Santa,

Greetings santa i want to now howe his youre reindeer and yhour Elves are warkin hard are you gone to ware the same tin oeageine tis year and be safet gone arond the word. i want fore fore chismise is a row dont bag dat i wont tonow more a doate sprinkle the elfy at the north pole is he good or bad or is he bad. waye the elf lose tharemative wine poly thime?

Love, Logan

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa, know when I tell vou what I want for Christmas you better get it or I'll sue you!!!! how cold is it over there? Are all the presents ready? Do you stop time so you could

deliver the presents? I was just wondering! the teacher made me. Santa I would like a bo xof snap circits Christmas. Also, parts for snap circits. Plus, video games. The most commen one, VIDEO GAMES! Last but no least... what! You want come to my house! I'll make you a deal, I'll wirte you better not pought deal? Deal. O you better not pought you better not cry. I'm telling you why Santa CLaus is coming to town. He know if you've been bad ro good

P.S. JK about the sue thing above, Thomas

so be good for goodness

Dear Santa, How is Mrs. Claus are the raindeer doing fine are any sick? I hope none are sick! How is frosty the snowman? How are the elves doing? I would want a new pair of nike shoes. I would take good care of both of the shoes. I want some udner armour shoes because I like shoes to where and I woudl take good care of all my shoes and all my toys, you are going to me that I like.

Love a merry chrimas and be safe, Collin

Dear Santa,

Hi, Santa how is the deer? Is it cold at the North Pole like Super cold? How's Mrs. Claus doing? Has some goten sick? May I please have a hover bord please beause they look so fun, and a hachamal please becuase the frist thing on my wish list, and can I have a American girl doll please becuase i love to play with them! Have a happy chirsmas Santa! Hope you have a good flight.

love, Katelynn

Dear Santa,

What are you doing right now? Have you ever had a sick raindeer? How hard are you elfes working? relly hard? Anyways, Santa for christmas I relly want enything that is unicorn. Because I am upset with unicorn! But I dont' think I need envthing. So what do you think I should get? I hope you have a awsome Chrismas!

Love, Addison

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! Can you tell me how the reindeers are? How is Mrs. Claus doing? What do you and your elves do? Santa i really want an xbox 1 cause my uncle has it and it looks cool. And ii need cloths cause i am getting bigger. And the next is what you want. I hope you have a great time delivering presents to the good kids. I wish you and Mrs. Claus have a great Christmas. I hope you have great christmas year. I hope you

have a great christmas eve. Love, Andrew

Dear Santa, How is Mrs. Claus? Are any of hte reindeer sick? How's frosty the snowman? Have you eaten any cookies? What is the best toy this year? I would really like a dirt bike. Im very responsible1 I will take great care of it. I promise to always wear a helmet. I also want a season pack of baseball cards. I got one last year but want another one. Plus I could ndo it to my collection. Thank you being so kind and wrapping all my presents. For me.

Sincerely, Mason Dear Santa,

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Thanks for brining him. Love, Wesley

Dear Santa Claus,

will you gathr up the elves and the reindeer. I miss vou! Tell Mrs. claus that I love her. How is mrs. clau? is she makinge you a sweater? I want a pare of trolls higtops, and a scooter, and a American Girl Doll campre. I hope you get a candy cane for Christmas. I will set worm mellk and cookes with the candecan on the plate.

Love, Cheyenne

Dear Santa,

How are you? Is it cold? Sprinkles our elf on the shelf, said it was cold. You must be receiving a lot of letters. I would like some new clothes because mine are all worn out. I would like a new puppy because mine just past away. I would also like a desk because In eed a new work space. I have got to run. Tell the elves I said hi! Don't forget to tell Dasher, Dancer and, Prancer and most of all Rudolf I said

Love, Lola Dear Santa,

How is Dancer? Hos is Dawn? Is it cold? Are there any new toys? How old are you? How is Mrs. Claus? I will be a very good girl like I have been doing! So, please let me have it. It is a Hatchanimal. So I was a good girl. A Mary Ellen doll, Hatchanimal, snow, lap top, beany boo, live pets, orbez, well wisher. Thank you for the elf, candy, my reindeer and sprinkles the new elf!

Love, Sydney Dear Santa Claus,

How is Mrs. Claus and your elves? How's the weather? Do you have a dog? For Chirstmas I would like a scooter beceuase someone stoll mine. I would like a hsirt with a matching skirt. I would also like potery cool

cool becuase I am working so hard at home. Thank you for giving present's and mekeing us happy. Happy Holidays and a great Cirstmas!

Love, Joselyne

Dear Santa,

Hey how have you been? How ar ethe reindeer, has Clairice finnaly joined the reindeer gang? Can you send our elves early this year? How is Mrs. Claus? Hey, so I do want somethings, like an, imac, apple watch nike plus, and a samsung phone. I want these because I know people have these. I hope you have a holly jolly Christmas and a fantastic new year!!!

Love, Emalye

Dear Santa,

Hey Santa, hows your elfs. I hope your having fun with them. are they making huber bords? Becus I love them. I theink your elfs are rely chely. I wont or huber bord. I want chop. I want a pet mantes. I wrilly wont a toy Darwin.

Love, Isaac

Deer Santa,

How are the raindeer? How are the elves? How is Mrs. Claus. How are you doing? How is frosty the snowman? How many cookie do you eat? Do you have any new toy's? How many elf's are there? How many places do you have to go? What is your favorite thing to do? How are the elves. I'm a very good girl so I would like to take care of two Hachimals because I would play with them and teach them to talk so can you please get me two hachimal. I think that is agreat if you can get me hachimal! Because Hachimals are hard to find. P.S., i hope you have a save flight to the North Pole.

Love, Callie

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa is it cold int he North Pole? Are the elves hard working? Is one of the reindeer sick? I want a xbox 1 S. It looks so cool on tv. I want a hoverbord it's sick on tv. I want a nerf gun any kind there's on that huge. Happy Christ-

Love, Cash

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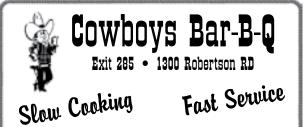
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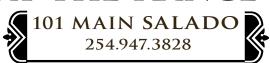
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Lesser Earless Lizards are often found in **Prairie Dog towns**

Michael Price

Wild About Texas

This column is being written based on the conversation that I had recently with two separate farmers in the Texas Panhandle who had both observed (and one photographed) a species of lizard that they had never witnessed before in their lifetime. Whether this lack of notice was due to them not being observant previously or just the plain innocuousness of just an "ordinary" lizard, I will not even begin to speculate. However, it was clear that both of these gentlemen had observed a very unpretentious lacertian species that is fairly common, and that variety was the Lesser Earless Lizard.

The Lesser Earless Lizard (Holbrookia maculata) is one of three species of this genus that occurs in Texas. It can be commonly observed throughout the Panhandle region, the Big Country, the Trans-Pecos, and

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less frequently along the northern periphery of the Edwards Plateau. Outside of the borders of Texas, it may be spotted northward to South Dakota, westward to southern Arizona, and southward to central Mexico.

The primary habitat that this relatively discreet lizard prefers is arid to semi-arid naturally occurring grasslands. However, most of the native grasslands in this state have been severely overgrazed or completely replaced by agriculture fields of plants like cotton and wheat. It is in these areas where this species has adapted to thrive in spite of the exposed soil with less covering. A less frequented habitat selected is the creosote-strewn gravelly soils of the Trans-Pecos.

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divided into three races within the confines of the state of Texas: the Plains Great Earless Lizard (H.m.mcaulata) which inhabits the entire Texas Panhandle; the Eastern Earless Lizard (H.m.perspicua) resides in the Big Country and western Cross Timbers eco-regions; and the Speckled Earless Lizard (H.m.approximans) which can be seen in the Trans-Pecos areas east of the Guadalupe Mountains. Because these three races are almost identical to one another save for a few color discrepancies, there is a considerable amount of discussion among biologists in regards to the taxonomy of this species.

The Lesser Earless

Lizard is taxonomically

The dorsal coloration of this sexually dimorphic lacertian species depends greatly on the sex. Adult males are typically some shade of light brown while the females are usually reddish. Regardless of the sex, this homely lizard sports 7-8 pairs of darker dorsal spots that are separated by a distinctive light stripe down the center of the

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back. On some individuals there is a secondary row of obscure blotches along the sides of the body; these spots are divided from the primary blotches by a faint light stripe. Both sexes are decorated with 2 vertical black bars immediately behind the forelegs; these bars are more prominent in the males than in the females. The scales on the back are small and granular in appearance and texture, and as the common name implies, there are no external ear openings. Males are the larger sex, achieving total lengths of nearly five inches. Unlike many other lizard species, the tail is quite short, usually only 35% of the total length of the lizard.

Lesser Earless Lizards, like other lizard species, are "cold-blooded", or ectothermic. This means that they do not generate heat from the inside of their body, as mammals and birds do, but rather are dependent on outside sources for heating and cooling. They are active throughout the day from early April to October, and unlike many other reptile species, the high metabolism of this lizard enables it to be observed as they scamper from hiding place to hiding place during the hottest part of the summer afternoons.

This species of lacertian feeds exclusively on insects, particularly ones that fit easily into its small mouth. Moths and flies are apparent favorites, although any small beetles are consumed with great enthusiasm.

The Lesser Earless Lizard is oviparous, which is a fancy way of saying that it lays eggs. After emerging from the winterlong brumation period (reptiles do not hibernate in the true sense of the word), males will search out females to mate. After mating, the female will lay a small clutch of eggs (between two and six, average of four) in moisture retaining soil. After approximately two months of incubation, the 1.5 inch long young replicas of their parents emerge from their underground nest prepared to fend for and care for themselves. Depending on the summer rainfall amounts, a female may lay anywhere from 2 to 5 clutches of eggs during a 5-month spring/ summer span.

Lesser Earless Lizards are common, but not commonly seen. They are adept at quickly running short distances between shaded areas, quickly disappearing into the shadows of small covered areas. It is often found in Prairie Dog towns, and many individuals will utilize the burrows



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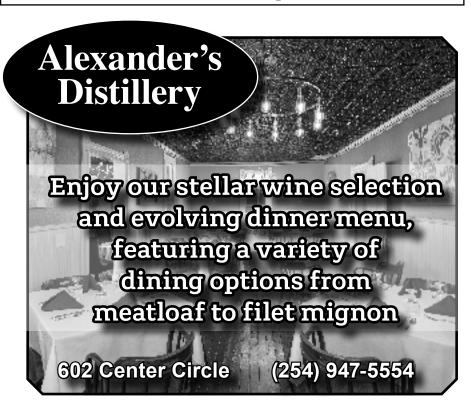
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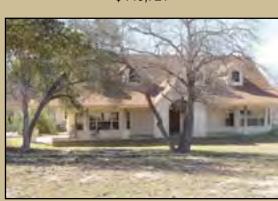
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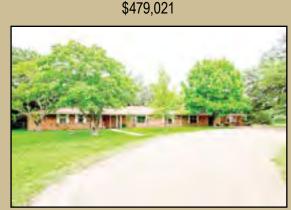
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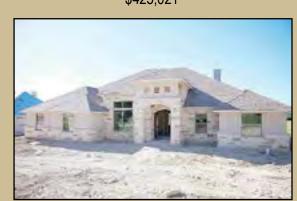
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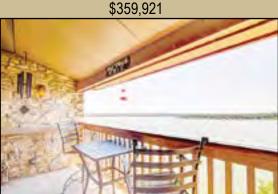
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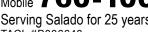




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Deer or Animal, buck is Dec. 9 walking with an arrow in it's right side. Obtain photo Block Mill Creek. Alarm of deer.

2:47 p.m., 300 Block Van Bibber. Alarm Residential, no emergency, keyholder on property.

8:34-8:37 p.m., 279 Exit South. Reckless driving (School Bus). Stopped a school bus that was called in as a reckless driver and was all over the road. All was code-4, clear.

9:39 p.m., 800 Block Main St. Welfare Concern, call for above location for a deer that had been injured by a vehicle. I arrived and the deer was put down. Dec. 8

1:53-1:55 p.m., 600 Block Rose Lane. Welfare Concern, owner locked himself out of house, contacted his daughter.

8:24-8:27 a.m., 200 Business, robbery alarm at Brookshire Brothers, no emergency. Dec. 10

7:20-7:29 a.m., NB MM 282. Agency Assist, Disabled vehicle, dispatch advises DPS requesting I check welfare. One trooper on duty is on another call. Located unoccupied and not blocking outside of city limits. After clearing, was sent to second vehicle further south. That subject is code-4, not blocking and stated DPS already checked out with him. Advised subject to call back if

needed. Clear. 12:00-12:05 p.m., 200 Block Royal View. Alarm Residential, arrived to find Realtor on scene all code-



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Dec.

6:53-7:19 a.m., 1000 Block Doves Landing. Out for a patient that had fallen. Arrived on scene to find Scott & White on scene with patient are. Assisted with loading patient. Scott & White transported.

10;49-11:56 a.m., IH-35 at 285 SB. Out in reference to a traffic accident. Arrived on scene to find a single vehicle with major front end damage. Established scene safety and traffic control by closing one lane of I-35 and found no injuries. Salado Police Department and BC Constable were also on scene and helped with traffic. Wrecker arrived on scene and removed the vehicle and highway was opened back up.

10:52-11:02 a.m., 1300 Block Natasha St. Out for a patient unconscious. Arrived on scene to find Scott & White Medic on scene with patient care, they advised they needed no assistance and all units cleared. Scott & White transported.

8:06-8:45 a.m., 9700 Block Southshore Dr. Priority 3 sick call. Patient was a 75 year old male that has not felt well in a few days. Patient states he had the hiccups and just cannot get rid of them. He is aware, skin is hot and dry, no shortness of breath, no chest pain or acute trauma. V/S taken and found to have an irregular heart beat that he states is not normal. He has vomited in the past 72 hours but none in the past 24. Patient loaded and cleared. Dec. 6

4:48-5:23 p.m., 1700 Block Old Mill Rd. Dispatched to 70 year old female unable to move. Patient was laying on the bed with her feet hanging off the edge. Vitals were taken until Scott & White arrived on scene and took over patient care. Helped move patient from bed stretcher. Patient was then loaded into unit and SVFD cleared.

6:33-7:03 p.m., 1200 Block Hidden Springs. Dispatched to a 87 year old female that had passed out. We arrived on scene to find patient laying on her back near the kitchen. Patient was alert. Patient had no shortness of breath or chest pain. Patient states she was cooking dinner and then next thing she knew her

family was looking at her on the floor. Care given to Scott & White.
Dec. 8

4:38-5:02 p.m., 1200 Block Chisholm Trail. Out to a patient that was having difficultly breathing. Arrived on scene to find Scott & White Medic on scene with patient care. Assisted them with patient loading. Patient was transported.

6:50-7:06 p.m., 1700 Block Old Mill Rd. Out to a patient that need lift assist. Arrived on scene with Salado Police Department and we assisted patient from her car onto wheelchair. Patient was too weak to get from car to wheelchair. SVFD and SPD got patient in wheelchair and no further assistance need-

6:16-7:04 p.m., 2484 and Williams Rd. Out for a Motor Vehicle Collision unknown injuries. Arrived on scene to find a 2 vehicle accident a T-bone blocking one lane of 2484. The vehicle had moderate damage. Set up scene safety and traffic control and checked for injuries. Found a total of 3 patients and 2 patients advising they wanted transport for evaluation Scott & White arrived on scene and took over patient care and they transported 2 patients and got a no transport on the other one. Directed traffic until vehicle were removed from roadway. Once wreckers arrived on scene and loaded vehicle FM 2484 was opened back up and all units cleared.

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