



Village could be single trustee of Pace Park

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Salado aldermen will consider at their July 6 meeting a proposal from the Pace Park Board of Trustees that would make the Village the single trustee of the privately-owned park to the Village of Salado.

Under the proposal, the Pace Park Trustees would resign their position and allow the Mayor and Aldermen to serve as individual Trustees of the Park.

The deed by the Pace family giving the 8.4 acres for use as a public park prohibits the Trustees from conveying the property itself to the Village of Salado or any other entity. The Pace Park Trustees have an agreement with the Village to maintain and operate the park on its behalf.

Before that, the Pace Park trustees had an agreement for decades with the Salado Chamber of Commerce to operate the park. This agreement changed after Salado was incorporated. The insurance for Pace Park for the Chamber of Commerce increased prohibitively at which time the Chamber approached the Village to step in as the official manager of the park through an agreement with the Pace Park trustees. The Chamber actually operated the Park on behalf of the Village of Salado under an annual memorandum of understanding.

At one point, the Village

paid the Chamber a contract of about \$12,000 per year to operate the park. The Village then stepped in to take over the daily management of the park. It budgets about \$20,000 for the maintenance and upkeep of the park with total revenues from rentals at about \$3,000-4,000 per year.

Earlier this year, the Village considered an arrangement with the Salado Rotary Club to allow the local club to assume the management of the park.

Under the proposal, the Pace Park Board of Trustees would designate the property as a conservation easement. With that designation in place, the current Pace Park Board of Trustees would resign and the Mayor and Aldermen would serve as Trustees.

The new trustees would seek a court order designating the Village of Salado as the sole Trustee of Pace Park, giving a permanence to the trusteeship.

As the sole trustee of Pace Park, the Village would then appoint a standing Pace Park Advisory Board to provide recommendations to the Board of Aldermen regarding the operation, maintenance and development of the Park.

Aldermen will also consider at the July 7 meeting seven pages of regulations in the Park, including alcohol, glass containers, fires, litter, tent stakes and other activities.

Village to contract for wastewater

The Village of Salado may contract services for the operation of the Stagecoach wastewater treatment plant following the recent departure of wastewater operator Dwaine Barton. Aldermen will vote July 6 on a proposal to contract with Lawson Water and Wastewater Services, Inc of Jarrell for \$2,000 per month for operation of the treatment plant.

The monthly cost would not include the costs of any repairs to the 40-year-old plant.

The temporary contract would be in place until the Village hires a licensed operator to fill the vacant Maintenance/Wastewater Operator's position or until an existing member of the Village staff is able to obtain the required license to operate the Plant, whichever comes first.

Meanwhile, the Village waits for the final approval of its permit for the construction of the wastewater treatment system, which will result in the ultimate decommissioning of the Stagecoach WWTP.

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) is in the 60 days in which the Commission has to reply to the public comments it received on the proposed system. During that time, if TCEQ deems it necessary, a contested hearing may be held on the proposed system, which would push the start date back another estimated 45-60 days.

As of press time, there is no indication whether a contested hearing will be held concerning any of the public comments in opposition to the proposal.



(PHOTO BY CLIFF BLOCK)

Fourth of July in Salado

Mill Creek Country Club sponsored its first annual Fourth of July Festival in Sherrill Park on July 1. It was a terrific day for parents and kids and pets topped off by a fireworks show on Salado Creek. (PHOTOS BELOW BY TIM FLEISCHER)



Patriotism, history at Fourth Picnic

About 100 locals gathered for the annual Fourth of July Picnic in the air conditioning of the Salado High School cafeteria this week.

Sponsored by the Salado Historical Society, the picnic included pot luck side dishes, salads, fruit and desserts to accompany the fried chicken.

LTC Rhett A. Blackmon talked to the audience about

the history of Independence Day and the history of the Third Cavalry Regiment, founded in 1846 to protect settlers on the Oregon Trail. The Third Cav has fought in the Indian War, Civil War, both World Wars and the War on Terror, he said.

Following his talk, the Salado Community Chorus performed patriotic songs.



LTC Rhett A. Blackmon talked about the history of the Third Cavalry Regiment.



Salado Community Chorus members sang Patriotic songs. (PHOTOS BY TIM FLEISCHER)

FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



He's a Republican now

Donald Trump, the erstwhile Democrat, independent and member of the Reform Party, finally has a fixed partisan identity.

The president may be besieged, unpopular and prone to lashing out self-destructively, but all of this cements his bond to his party rather than erodes it. Commentators who ask wishfully and plaintively, "When will Republicans dump Trump and save themselves?" are missing the point: Trump's weakness makes him more Republican than ever before. It was possible to imagine Trump, with a head of steam after his upset victory in November, cowering swamp-dwelling Republicans and wooing infrastructure-loving, anti-trade Democrats into supporting a populist congressional agenda. But this scenario would have required a strong, focused president marshaling his popularity and driving Congress. We've seen close to the opposite.

Whatever Trump's true ideological predilections, there's no place for him to go. Make deals with the Democrats? At this point, Democrats are more likely to cooperate with Sergey Kislyak on an infrastructure package than with Donald Trump.

Dump or triangulate away from Republicans? Well, then who would do Russian investigation defense,

Rich Lowry



besides a handful of White House aides and outside media loyalists? Imagine what the Comey or Sessions hearings would have looked like if Republicans had joined Democrats in the pile-on.

The need for support on Capitol Hill could well get more urgent if things go badly the next year and a half. If Democrats take the House, Trump will rely on Republicans for an impeachment defense and, if it comes to that, for the votes in the Senate to block removal.

In one sense, this suits Trump. He may have a questionable partisan pedigree, but he is a natural partisan -- smash-mouth, heedless of process and norms, willing to make whatever argument suits him at any particular time. There have been many Republicans who have opposed Chuck Schumer before; it took Trump to call him a "clown."

As for congressional Republicans, they, too, don't have much choice. Whatever their true feelings about Trump, his fate is their fate.

First, a president's approval rating heavily influences midterm elections, especially the campaign for the House. Republicans dumping Trump

wouldn't make him any more popular.

Second, such a distancing is not really politically practicable. If Republicans try to skitter away from Trump, their base will roast them.

Third, Republicans want to get some things done legislatively. A poisonous split with the White House wouldn't help. Trump may be a mercurial and frustrating partner, but he is a partner all the same.

Finally, most Republicans -- quite legitimately -- think the Russian controversy is a media-driven travesty. If there were a smoking gun, this posture would probably change (obviously, in that circumstance, it should change). But Democrats are in no position to lecture Republicans on cutting loose a president of their own party when they twisted themselves in knots to defend Bill Clinton after he lied under oath over an affair that violated every feminist principle the party professed to hold.

If Trump and Republicans had their druthers, neither would be in quite this position. But this is the reality for everyone. For now, there's no way out, only through, and through it together.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review. (c) 2017 by King Features Synd., Inc.

July 4th in Salado was great; be careful about these things

The Fourth of July 2017. Every event received many citizen and visitor's praise. Thanks to everyone for making the week special.

Daily, Salado is known as the-pace-to-live. It is seen every where. Have you noticed people walking or driving waving as you drive by? Spending an unscheduled 30 minutes in Brookshire visiting with friends? This contagious spirit is spreading across the County. A co-worker brought 15 people to the Fireworks. They fell in love with Salado.

However, there are safety, health, and welfare concerns:

1. Morning and evening, people are running, walking, golf carting, and enjoying Salado. SPEEDING cars and trucks are a safety hazard. Speeders will be stopped and either given a



Mayor Skip Blancett

warning or speeding ticket.

2. Please lock your car(s). Break-in suspects may be teenagers or well-organized groups who park their car and walk searching for unlocked cars. Home surveillance cameras are giving the police leads. Please consider forming a neighborhood watch and/or installing surveillance cameras. ANYTHING SUSPICIOUS, call the Police or 911 immediately.

3. Please consider not leaving unwanted household items on the curb. Though your intentions are admira-

ble, it may give people the wrong impression: "this is nice stuff, wonder what else is in the house." If permissible, Nextdoor may be a better solution to offer free items. And, Holland scrap metal will give you extra dollars if metal is taken to them. Aluminum and copper bring especially good money.

4. Dumping unwanted material or merchandize is illegal. If you see someone dumping illegally, please get a license number and immediately call the police or 911. A ticket will be issued.

And this last thought. Not all news agencies are "fake." Tim and Marilyn Fleischer and Village Voice staff work diligently to ensure facts are accurate and ALL citizens are heard. In every Village Voice, the love, care, and concern of the Village is evident.



Draining swamp is costly

Heritage Forum

by Edwin Feulner

"Drain the swamp!" It was the battle cry of Donald Trump's presidential campaign.

Many Republican members of Congress echoed that call as well, riding it to victory -- and control of both legislative chambers.

The American people rallied around the cry because it reinforced their impression of what Washington had become: a swamp infested with special interest groups and power-hungry bureaucrats.

They rallied, too, because it held the promise of getting our country back on track -- by reforming the tax code, repealing Obamacare, cutting spending, and eliminating the needless red tape that stifles entrepreneurship and innovation.

But nearly five months into the new Congress and the new administration, precious little draining has occurred. The delay in action is not only frustrating, it's expensive: With the promised reforms, the U.S. could have created as much as \$5 billion per day in economic output.

If nothing changes, the swamp will end up costing more than two million prospective jobs over the next decade.

Elites argue that piles of regulations and special rules keep everyone safe. But most Americans understand that these policies serve mainly to enrich special interests and keep up-start entrepreneurs from gaining a foothold.

All the regulation keeps new businesses from offer-

ing innovative goods and services at lower prices. All too often, these regulatory schemes not only fail to protect consumers -- they create problems. Huge problems, like financial crises and housing busts.

And then the elites point to the problems as proof of the need for even further governmental intervention. The bailouts lead to new programs and federal agencies and, of course, even more rules.

But most Americans don't want more government. Rather, they want relief from big government so that they can make their own decisions and improve their own communities.

There is plenty of evidence that people thrive more under limited government than under a vastly more intrusive government.

Had the U.S. economy simply stayed on the same trend during the Obama years that it had followed over the previous 25 years, gross domestic product (GDP) per person would be nearly 10 percent higher than it is now.

Instead, after years of ever-expanding government control and regulation, the economy dropped off a cliff in 2008.

Just getting back on the previous trend would be great, but Americans can do

much better. At least three major reforms are now possible that can unleash the power of the American economy.

1. Repeal Obamacare. A study by the National Center for Policy Analysis estimates that repealing Obamacare would provide a boost to real GDP of more than 1 percent per year over the next decade.

Based on these projections, personal income would increase by hundreds of billions annually, and the economy would add nearly one million jobs by the end of the decade.

A simple division by the number of days suggests that the cost of inaction is nearly \$500 million per day in lost output. In terms of jobs, this could translate into as many as 250 lost jobs per day (a relatively small number unless one of those jobs is yours).

2. Shrink regulation. Admittedly, this is a herculean task. The federal government has been burdening people with innovation-killing rules for decades, and it is difficult to estimate the economic effects of a broad deregulation effort.

Two Heritage Foundation scholars have estimated the economic impact of reducing just one of the likely effects of Dodd-Frank: excess borrowing costs.

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Great job on fireworks!

To the Editor:

We just saw the most amazing fireworks show out of our windows overlooking the golf course. We felt as if they were just for us. This townhouse is priceless! Tux shook during the whole exciting and beautiful show.

Your Voice

Letters to the Editor

I am so proud of our community effort and really appreciate Billy Helms and the Mill Creek gang and Coun-

try Club. Fabulous for Salado.

Sincerely,
Sheryl Russell

Swamp

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Their study projects that removing these excess costs would grow GDP by more than 1 percent per year for the next decade, and boost capital stock by nearly 3 percent per year.

Inaction on Dodd-Frank costs another \$500 million per day.

3. Reform the tax code.

Estimates of tax reform benefits vary widely because there are so many ways to improve the U.S. tax system, but several plans are currently taking shape.

The Tax Foundation studied the House Republican plan and found that it would increase the long-run size of the economy (in terms of GDP) by more than 9 percent. They also projected that the Rubio-Lee plan would grow the economy by 15 percent over the long run.

Trump's plan is not fully detailed yet, but a decent guess is that the benefits would be somewhere near these projections.

The increase in jobs, wages and wealth from growing the economy through these types of tax reforms would be enormous. The cost of waiting on just tax reform can be conservatively estimated as approaching \$2 billion per day in lost output.

Repealing Obamacare, rolling back the regulatory state, and implementing pro-growth tax reform would be a big shot in the arm to the U.S. economy. Over the next decade, the cumulative effect of making just those three reforms could boost GDP anywhere from \$8 trillion to \$18 trillion.

That translates to a cost of between roughly \$2 billion and \$5 billion for each day that Americans are denied these reforms. In terms of lost jobs, waiting costs nearly 1,000 jobs per day.

Some have said that because any legislative action taken this year wouldn't take effect until at least Jan. 1, 2018, it doesn't matter if it happens now or in September. False: The sooner investors and entrepreneurs can see the changes on the horizon, the quicker they can begin taking actions that benefit the economy.

A filled swamp is expensive to maintain. The American people are waiting for Congress to drain it. And the American people should expect their elected representatives to stay in Washington and make the real changes they were elected to do.

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Director of Salado Museum, College Park will address Ladies Auxiliary July 13

The Salado Ladies Auxiliary will conduct its monthly meeting on July 13. The meeting will be at the Salado Church of Christ Activity Center located on 225 N. Church Street. Coffee and light food will be served at 9:30 a.m. with the meeting commencing at 10 a.m.

The July program will feature Madeleine Calcote, Executive Director of the Salado Museum and College Park. She's a graduate of Baylor University with a degree in Museum studies. Her undergraduate degree is in art history from Millsaps College in Jackson, Mississippi.

Calcote plans an interactive talk for the Ladies Auxiliary program. The ladies are asked to bring an object such as a book, photo, jewelry, toy, etc. to the July 13th meeting. Consider choosing an object that has a story to it or is sentimental to you. The activity will be a fun and insightful experience showing a glimpse into the museum curator's world. Come join us for this informative program. All Ladies Auxiliary members and guests are invited to attend.

The Salado Ladies Auxiliary strives to provide events and activities which enhance, improve and promote the community of Sal-



Madeleine Calcote is Executive Director of the Salado Museum and College Park.

ado. The organization also offers programs and activities that are educational and inspirational as well as social. Membership is open to anyone interested in volunteering their time and talent to promote organizational goals. Membership dues are \$15 and the Auxiliary meets the second Thursday of each month at the Salado Church of Christ Activity Center.

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River Ellis Hall

River Ellis Hall was born June 29, 2017 in College Station to Cody and Collin Hall. He measured 19.75 inches and weighed a healthy 7.9 lbs. He was welcomed home by siblings Ashley Hall and Ethan Hall. Grandparents are Bill and Connie Hall, of Salado, Patricia and Steve Barth, of Killen, Mike and Penny Tibbets, of Paris, Texas and Hulona Millsaps-Schall, of Killeen. (Courtesy photo)

Project Backpack expands in its 9th year

Grace Church of Salado is joining the Women's Ministry at Salado United Methodist Church in this year's efforts to support the Salado Family Relief "Back to School" program, specifically the purchase of backpacks for school-age kids. Project Backpack was started nine years ago and continues with the same tax-deductible donation request of \$25 to provide a high-quality backpack for a Salado student. All funds collected are used for the Back to School Program, so if donations exceed the amount needed for the backpacks, these funds are used for school-supply vouchers.

Founded in January, 1999, the Salado Family Relief organization provides assistance to Salado families and individuals in need and is completely funded by donations from the community. Project Backpack kicks off on Sunday, July 23 and runs through Sunday, August 6. To make a donation to "Project Backpack", please call 254-947-5482 or send an email to griffmr6@gmail.com.

Obituaries



Ava B. KELLEY MILLER

Services for Ava B. Kelley Miller, 92, of Big Spring were held June 29, 2017 at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel in Big Spring. Burial followed June 30 in Salado Cemetery in

Salado.

Miller died Monday, June 26, 2017 at a Big Spring hospital.

She was born Dec. 29, 1924, to Otho and Laura Winnie Sargent in Hall County. On May 11, 1941, she married Milton L. "Dink" Kelley. On Jan. 1, 1976, she married Walter Miller. She worked in cotton fields and corn fields as a young girl. She worked in a sewing machine factory before going to work for the Bell County ISD, retiring in 1975 as cafeteria manager. Survivors include a son,

Michael Gene Kelley of Madisonville; a daughter, Patsy Jean Heckler of Big Spring; a brother, Horace Kelley of Salado; a sister, Rita Smith of Terrell; eight grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and nine great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, Lonnie L. Kelley.

Memorials may be made to Crestview Baptist Church building fund, 2305 Gatesville Road, Big Spring, TX 79720.

Broecker Funeral Home in Salado was in charge of local arrangements.



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Chamber music concert set July 23

The Chapel at Caliber Oak will host a Chamber Music Concert 7 p.m. July 23 benefiting Mtendere School, Lusaka, Zambia.

Martha MacDonald, clarinet, Terri Freeland, cello and Felicity Coltman, piano, will play selections for trios from Beethoven and Brahms.

A donation of \$25 is accepted for the concert. Reserve your spot, as space is limited. Call Denise Thomssen at 254-760-1590 or Thomssen at denise@caliber@gmail.com.

The group will perform Ludwig van Beethoven's Trio for Piano, Clarinet and Cello, Opus 11, including Allegro con brio, Adagio and Theme and Variations: Allegretto-Allegro.

They will also perform Johannes Brahms' Clarinet Trio, Opus 114, including Allegro, Adagio and Andantino grazioso.



Terri Freeland, cello, Felicity Coltman, piano and Martha MacDonald, clarinet will perform a Chamber Music Concert, 7 p.m. July 23 at Chapel at Caliber Oak. Proceeds benefit: Mtendere School, Lusaka, Zambia

About the Performers

Felicity Coltman is the Founder and Artistic Director Emeritus of the Austin Chamber Music Center. She holds diplomas from the Royal Schools of Music and Trinity College of Music in London, the University of South Africa and a degree from the University of Kansas. Born in South Africa, Felicity was a recitalist and a frequent concerto soloist with the South African Broadcasting Symphony Orchestra.

Felicity has received the Gruber Award for Excellence in Chamber Music Teaching from Chamber Music America and the B. Iden Payne Performing Arts Award from the Austin Circle of Theaters. In 2004 she was inducted by the Austin Critics Table into the Austin Arts Hall of Fame. Her two CDs, "Kent Kennan: Chamber Music" and "After Grand Hotel: Music from the Age of Romance and Elegance," have been released by Pierian Records.

Felicity has taught piano, theory and chamber music to students of all ages and levels for many years. She is in demand as an accompanist,

both for students and professional musicians, and is active as a performer, teacher, judge and consultant.

She is a Certified Yoga Teacher and has developed a program to incorporate teaching yoga with teaching music.

Martha MacDonald holds music degrees from Baylor University, the University of Michigan, and The University of Texas. She is an active chamber musician and has performed extensively throughout the United States and Europe as clarinetist with the Austin Chamber Ensemble Wind Quintet, Chanté clarinet and harp duo, and Trio Contraste violin, clarinet and piano trio. She has taught woodwinds and piano in the Detroit and Houston areas, and at the American School of The Hague, The University of Texas, St. Stephens Episcopal School and St. Andrews Episcopal School in Austin. In addition to performing and teaching she holds memberships in Austin District Music Teachers Association

and Mu Phi Epsilon International Music Fraternity where she served on the International Board of Directors.

From a young age, Terri Freeland has been passionate about performing chamber music with fellow musicians. After completing her MM in Cello Performance at UT Austin, Terri maintained a private cello studio and per-

formed as a freelance musician with various groups, including The Austin Symphony. In 2005, she, along with Rachel May (violin) and Robert Centeno (piano), founded the Zelos Trio. Together they have concertized and coached young chamber musicians here and abroad with the Austin Chamber Music Center and Chamber Music for the World.

Temple College hosts open house for prospective students July 19

Temple College will host an open house for prospective students and their families 5-7 p.m. July 19.

The event will provide an opportunity to meet representatives from offices such as Registration, Financial Aid, Advising, e-Learning, Veterans Affairs and Student Life, as well as representatives from the University Courtyard Apartments and the Temple College Foundation, which offers scholarships and loans to students attending Temple College.

Campus tours will be available at 5:45 and 6:16 p.m., and a scavenger hunt will provide an opportunity

for an event participant to win a free course that can be taken in either fall 2017 or spring 2018.

The open house will be held in the One College Centre building. Parking is available in the South Parking Lot, which can be accessed from 5th Street.

Temple College is a public, two-year college with locations in Temple, Taylor and Hutto. The college offers more than 60 certificate and degree programs, as well as dual credit courses for high school students. For more information on Temple College, visit www.templejc.edu.

TWU awards Baltrun Doctorate in Nursing

Cindy Baltrun of Salado was one of 2,168 graduates to receive degrees from Texas Women's University.

She was graduated with a Doctorate in Nursing Practice.

The Denton ceremonies, which included candidates from TWU's Dallas Center,

took place in the Kitty Magee Arena in Pioneer Hall. Approximately 1,822 degrees were awarded during the Denton ceremonies. Approximately 346 degrees were awarded during the Houston ceremony, which took place in The Woodlands Waterway Marriott.

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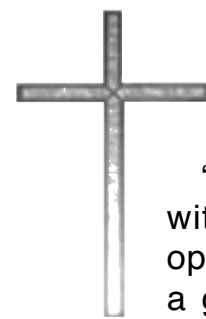
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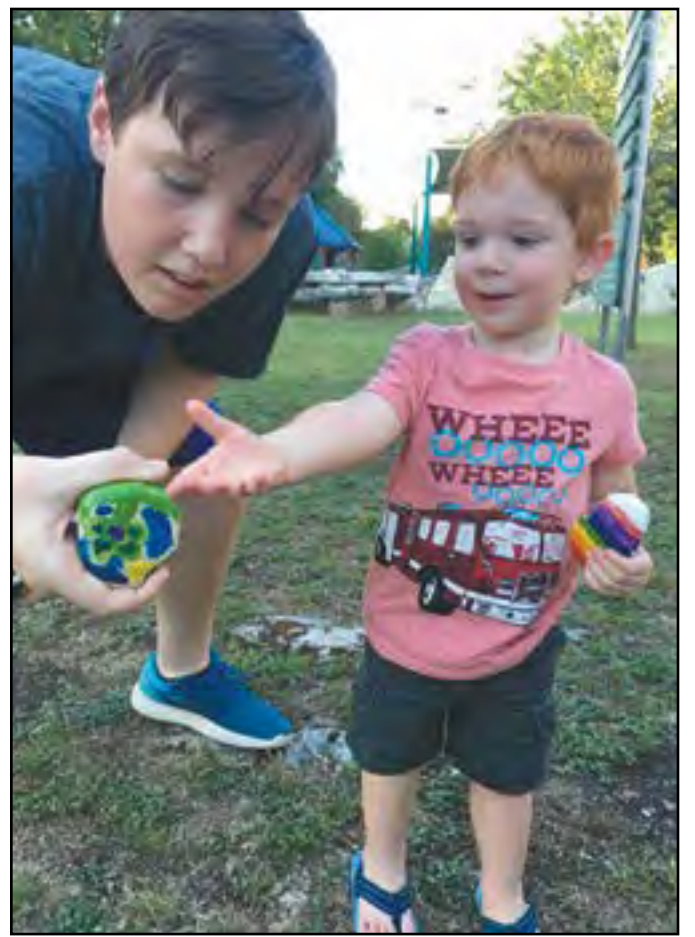
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Zoe Dodge found a rock hanging out with angels. She is the daughter of Courtney and Stacy Dodge. (PHOTO COURTESY STACY DODGE)



Owen Crisp found something sweet near the Sugar Shack. He is the son of Matt and Brooke Crisp of Salado. (PHOTO COURTESY BROOKE CRISP)



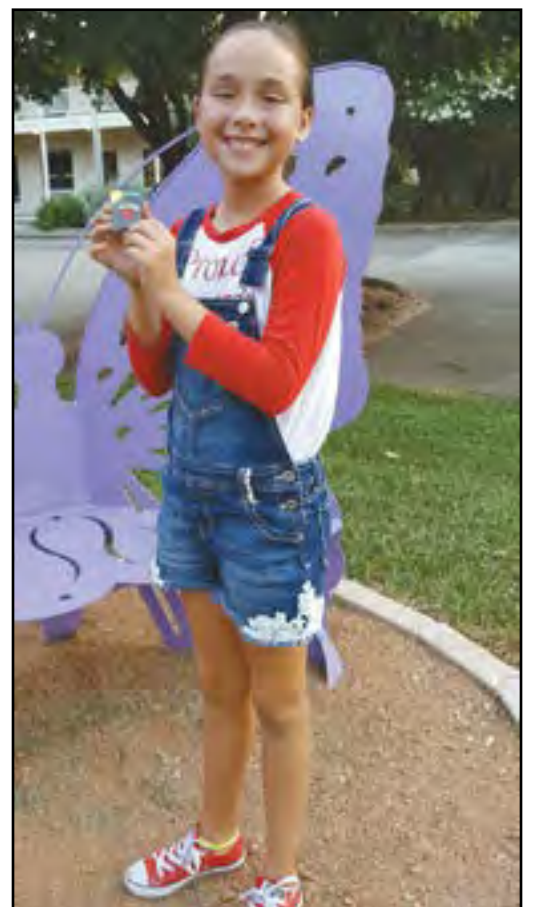
Cole Taylor and his nephew Case Dulaney found a rock in Pace Park. Cole is a fourth generation Saladoan, the son of Tricia and Ron Cunningham and Case is a fifth generation Saladoan, the son of Ashleigh Grams. (PHOTO BY TRICIA CUNNINGHAM)



Cody Danekas, a fourth generation Saladoan and son of Katy Moore, found a rock in Pace Park. (PHOTO COURTESY KATY MOORE)



Imagineer Arts Academy June 2017 Camp painting rocks on their Neverland Tx film set! The film will be released at SirenaFest. From left to right: Sydney Klechka, Rylee Klechka, Shelby Tubbs, Shelby Jett, Arya Califano. For more information about Imagineers Art Camps, call Tiffany Schreiner Humphrey at 254.466.5018 (PHOTO COURTESY TIFFANY SCHREINER HUMPHREY)



Sophia and Madison Letts find Salado Rocks near some of the butterfly benches recently placed around town. They are the daughters of Jennifer Letts. (PHOTO COURTESY JENNIFER LETTS)

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Salado Rocks!

Salado Rocks took off this summer involving kids and their parents, friends and grandparents.

It is an effort to get people painting, creating, and rock hunting...while spreading a little Joy, according to Jennifer Letts, who started the Salado Rocks Facebook Page.

Here is how you can take part:

1) Paint as many of your own rocks as you'd like. Please don't paint over anyone's master piece.

2) On the back of the rock(s), write something. Post your find on Salado Rocks Facebook page. Keep or re-hide your find.

3) Hide your rock(s)...you can post hints on the Salado Rocks page if you want.

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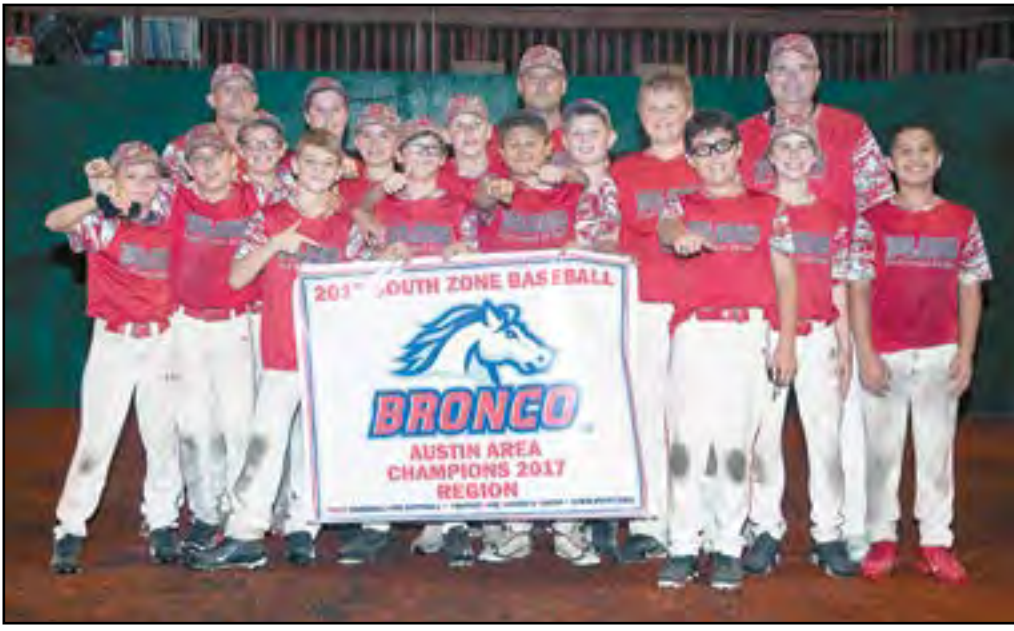
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Balcones Bandits

Front Row, from left: Ryan "Junior" Martinez, Brenden Montgomery, Jade Fields, Alex Hauck, Anthony Sandoval, Jackson Delio, and Sammy Guerrero. Back Row, from left: Andrew Gilmore, Cole Taylor, Alex Lawton, Cayden Stump, Jaxson Leiskau, Owen Crisp, Drew Bird. Coaches back row: (l-r) James Leiskau, Tommy Stump, Erin Bird. (COURTESY PHOTO)

Balcones Bandits baseball heading to Tampa tourney

The 12U Balcones Bandits baseball team, comprised of Salado, Jarrell and Academy players, will play in the Zone tournament in Tampa, Florida July 26-Aug. 1 in hopes of a launch to the Little League World Series in California.

The Bandits went undefeated in the Austin Regional Championship, beating teams from Blanco, Dripping Springs and Hays. Hays was the top seed and favorite to win the tournament held in Buda at the end of June. The Bandits had lost to both Hays and Blanco a few weeks earlier in the North Austin Directors Cup tournament.

"It was great pitching, solid defense and good hitting," Coach Tommy Stump said of the four-win streak.

The Bandits relied on

Cole Taylor, Cayden Stump and Drew Bird on the mound.

"We didn't have to cycle through our pitchers as much as the other teams did," Coach Stump said.

The series was highlighted by a Grand Slam homerun over the fence by Bird and a two-run homer over the centerfield fence by Owen Crisp.

The Bandits beat Blanco 15-11, Dripping Springs 12-1 and Hays 8-7 to get to the championship game. They crushed Hays in the Championship game 11-3.

The Bandits are made up of mostly Salado kids. Playing from Salado are Cole Taylor, pitcher, Cayden Stump, pitcher, Drew Bird, shortstop/pitcher, Alex Hauck, outfielder/second base, Jackson Delio, catcher/second

base, Owen Crisp, outfielder/pitcher, Drew Gilmore, outfielder, Jade Fields, second base/outfielder and Jaxson Leiskau, first base/pitcher.

Players from Jarrell are Ryan "Junior" Martinez, outfielder/pitcher, Sammy Guerrero, catcher, Anthony Sandoval, shortstop/pitcher and Brenden Montgomery, outfielder/second base. Alex Lawton, third base/outfielder is from Academy.

The team is seeking sponsors for the trip to Tampa, Florida. Three levels are offered: Gold (\$500), Silver (\$300) and Bronze (\$200).

To find out more about sponsoring the team, email Coach Tommy Stump at emailtstump@yahoo.com or call him at 254-718-2354.

Balcones North All-Stars earn berth in Pony World Series softball tourney in Laredo

The Balcones North All-Stars U8 girls softball team is heading to Laredo to play in the Pony World Series, after placing the Central Regional Tournament in Schertz June 30-July 1.

The team has established a Go Fund Me page to raise funds for the trip to Laredo. Visit <https://www.gofundme.com/salado-girls-softball-world-series> to make donations to the team.

The girls competed at the Softball All-Star Warm-up Tournament in Georgetown May 30-June 2, where they won four games and lost two, placing second overall.

They placed third in the Austin Sectional Tourna-

ment June 16-18. They beat San Marcos Purple, 15-8 and Georgetown 10-9 before losing to CPYL 16-3. They beat T&C 16-9 and lost to CPYL 15-7.

At the Central Regional Tournament June 30-July 1, the girls won three games and lost two to finish in the top three and qualify for the World Series Tournament. They beat the Hutto All Stars 194 and then lost to the Normoyle Fearless 18-3. The girls beat Georgetown Pride 14-8 and the T&C Tenacity 16-10 before losing to the Normoyle Elite 12-5.

The girls will play in the world series tournament July 21-23. The team is comprised

of 11 girls from Salado, two girls from Academy and one girl for Jarrell.

The Salado players are these:

Kate Maedgen, Mazzy Johnson, Toni Pugh, Karlee Konarik, Avri Wells, Zoe Dodge, Presli Thompson, Addy McCoin, Shayna Thornton, Paisley Friemel, Hannah Lawler, Aniaya Slocum and Ava Urianga.

Academy players are Hannah Lawler and Kasidi Jones. Abby Berrios is from Jarrell.

Bret Friemel is team manager. Coaches are Joseph McCoin, Shawna McPherson and Kyle Burnett.



Balcones North All-Stars

Pictured from left to right: Karlee Konarik, Presli Thompson, Abby Berrios, Paisley Friemel, Kate Maedgen, Zoe Dodge, Aniyah Slocum, Avri Wells, Addy McCoin, Hannah Lawler, Shayna Thornton, Toni Pugh. Players not pictured: Mazzy Johnson, Ava Urianga, Kasidi Williams. Coaches from left to right: Joey McCoin, Shawna McPherson, Bret Friemel, Kyle Burnett. (COURTESY PHOTO)

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Camp Invention

Salado youngsters got their hands on science and technology during the annual Camp Invention June 26-30 at Salado Intermediate School.

The students launched water rockets, built bubble blaster and engineered giant castles. They also explored the national inventors hall of fame. Campers also dissected appliances in order to learning how to use tools correctly and safely.


"Camp Invention is a national program serving over 83,000 children," explains Michael J. Oister, Chief Operating Officer for the NIHF. "Parents tell us Camp Invention improves their child's outlook on learning and increases their child's interest in using science to solve problems."




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Salado Village Artists hosted a series of one-day art camps for local children during the month of June. Above, are scenes from the final day camp on June 27. (PHOTOS BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Football signups through Aug. 1

Salado Youth Football Association is signing up players through Aug. 1 for its PeeWee and Junior teams for the Fall Season.

SYFA will have an in person sign up 10 a.m.-noon July 15 at Brookshire Brothers grocery store. Registration forms can be mailed to Salado Youth Football Association, PO Box 54, Salado, TX 76571.

Registration is \$125 through July 15 and \$150 afterward.

Parents must include a copy of the player's birth certificate, a recent picture and the registration fee.

A registration form can be found on the Salado Youth Football Association Facebook page.

For more information, contact Coach Saulter at saldoxfa@gmail.com or call 254-319-0928.

SYSA registering for fall season

Salado Youth Soccer Association is signing up players for both its recreational soccer teams and its Salado FC and Salado Spirit competitive travel teams.

SYSA offers a fun environment for kids to learn to love the game of soccer. The association has teams for a variety of ages. Practice times are set by coaches and most games are played on Saturday mornings. The cost is \$65 for U4, \$75 for U6 and U8. Registration cost has not yet been set for U10. Registration includes a nice team jersey. Parents are responsible for socks, shorts, shin guards, cleats, and ball.

SYSA also offers competitive travel teams for kids U9 and above.

Following are the contacts for the various Salado FC and Salado Spirit teams Tryouts:

06-7 Girls: Tryout July 11 5:30 p.m. For more info contact Mel Ikeandmell@sb-cglobal.net or Dianne Salado, fc2007@gmail.com.

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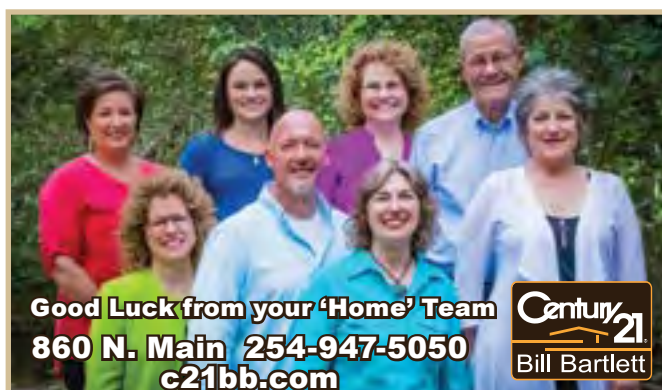


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Salado Eagles baseball coaches worked with young students on baseball fundamentals during a week-long camp last week. At top, Salado Eagle Baseball Head Coach Kreece Cooper works with a baseball camper on the fundamentals of grounding. Above, campers had rounds of grounding drills. At right, Assistant Coach Troy Ramsey talks with campers during a break in drills. Salado coaches have sponsored several camps this summer.

(Photos by Royce Wiggin)



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John Anderson at Outback

On his latest album, Goldmine, released in 2015 on his own Bayou Boys label, John Anderson has completed a long overdue record of original songs.

You will get a chance to hear songs from Goldmine, Seminole Wind and other albums from his four decade career during his July 15 concert at Johnny's Outback. Tickets are now on sale online at <http://johnnyssteak-sandbbq.com>. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the gate. Gate opens at 6 p.m.

Rolling Stone called the album Goldmine one of the top Country Albums of 2015, listing it at #38.

The award-winning songwriter wrote or co-wrote 12 of the album's 13 tracks. Goldmine is also a record that, given the current state of contemporary country, could, like Cash and Haggard before him, find a home amid lovers of authentic music of any genre.

Raised in Apopka, Fla., Anderson was exposed to both rock and traditional country growing up and, as incendiary rock outfits like Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers and Lynyrd Skynyrd honed their chops around him, learned to love (and play) both types of music. But Anderson resisted the call of rock 'n roll, electing rather to pursue his country music dreams.

It was the traditional country ballads that lured him in, songs like Porter Wagoner's "Green, Green Grass of Home." "I loved those type of ballads," Anderson says, "to the point I didn't want to get away from it.

Anderson moved to Nashville in 1972, working construction by day (including as a roofer at the Grand Ole Opry House) and playing the honky-tonks at night.

He signed to Warner Bros. in 1977, and notching his first major hit in 1980 with Billy Jo Shaver's "I'm Just an Old Chunk of Coal (But I'm Gonna Be a Diamond Someday)."

Other hits, including the classic "Wild and Blue" in 1982, solidified his status as a powerful new voice in country music. "Swingin'," written by Anderson and Lionel Delmore, blew the roof off a year later, exploding to No.1 on the Billboard Country chart, propelling Anderson to the CMA Horizon Award, and becoming one of the most enduring hits in the country canon.

Seminole Wind, released on BNA in THE EARLY 1990s, produced hit singles in "Straight Tequila Night," "When It Comes To You," "Money in the Bank," and the stirring title cut. The latter would have never been released had Anderson not stuck to his guns, a familiar refrain throughout his career as the artist has wound his way through virtually all of Nashville's major labels.

No such clashes occurred in creating Goldmine, an album cut with the artist in complete control.

"With Goldmine, I thought, first off, I'm going to take my songs into the studio and make a record like I think it ought to be made, without all those other influences," he says. "I really don't need a lot of help to make a John Anderson record, and this record pretty much proves that. In fact, I'm more pleased with the sound of this record than I have been in a long time."

The new album has a depth of music, including a swampy cautionary anthem in the crowd-rousing "Freedom Isn't Free," rollicking mid-tempo like the roadhouse boogie (and Merle

Haggard-penned) "Magic Mama," "I Work A Lot Better," and the hook-laden title cut. Deeply moving ballads in the traditional country style in "Back Home," and "I Will Cross O'er the River." And an abundance of romance in the haunting "Happily Ever After," and, in contemplative tribute to fans, "You All Are Beautiful."

Beyond the inspired vocals and ambitious songwriting (Anderson was inducted to the Nashville Songwriters Hall of Fame on Oct. 5, 2014), the singer credits his handpicked studio musicians with the tasteful authenticity of Goldmine, which boasts a musicality light years from the over-produced bombast frequently found on contemporary country airwaves.

In a Country Music Hall of Fame-worthy career that has produced 23 albums, more than 60 singles (20 reaching the Top 10), and a wealth of industry awards, Goldmine proves that there's still a lot of gold in John Anderson.

Two decades past the dizzying heights of Seminole Wind, Anderson's motivations have shifted fully from commercial aspirations to unimpeded artistic integrity. "At this point, it's just for me and the fans," he says. "A best-case scenario for me is that the fans that have loved our music and have supported us for many years, if they know Goldmine is out there and can get it, I'll be happy."

An unrepentant road dog, Anderson's touring career has never wavered, as he and his crack band play to packed houses filled with "the most loyal fans anybody ever have, and I do indeed appreciate them supporting our music for all these years," he says. "Their love of the music, has only gotten better."



Troy Kelley and his bronze sculpture Sirena, a gift to the people of Salado. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Plans underway for Sirena Fest

The Legend of Sirena, a native Tonkawa squaw who was doomed (or tricked) the day she met a magical catfish, is a story that is dear to the residents and tourists who come to Salado. Troy Kelley's bronze sculpture of the Tonkawa mermaid and the catfish that tricked her are an icon and one of the most important landmarks in this Central Texas town. Jackie Mills, a local playwright, published the legend in a book, Sirena of Salado. She also incorporated it into the Legends of Salado play, performed every summer for over 25 years.

A new generation of Sala-

do and Sirena enthusiasts are hoping to honor the Legend of Sirena and the creators of this local legacy by holding an annual Sirena Fest & Mermaid Parade. Tiffany Schreiner, along with several other local business owners have organized an event that will bring whimsy as well as educational elements to children of all ages on Saturday, Oct. 7.

The goals of Sirena Fest & Mermaid Parade are to highlight the legacy of Sirena in Salado, educate children on creek habitat and conservation, delight kids of all ages with the magic, whimsy, and artistry that the Village of Salado has to offer, and finally to raise money for a local non-profit each year. For 2017, funds raised will go towards Keep Salado Beautiful. This organization is working with the Salado Habitat Initiative to create a space for butterflies, pollinators, as well as to delineate the line between safe places for these wildlife and the visitors who come to enjoy Salado, specifically Pace Park.

This festival is aimed entirely at children and families, hoping to encourage children to think outside the box, dream wild imaginative dreams, and fulfill them. In the words of local stonecarver Bob Ragan, "Imagination creates reality" and that is

exactly what this festival aims to do.

In addition to the parade and festival, the organizers are holding a Mermaid Ambassador Brunch. The brunch will be held on Thursday, Sept. 7 with funds raised from it going towards the fundraising goals. Details of the brunch will be forthcoming in the next months, but we do know it will be held at the newly opened Stagecoach Inn Restaurant. A reception will be held for Jackie Mills and Troy Kelley at the Salado Museum on Oct. 6 4-6 p.m. Salado Mayor, Skip Blancett, will read a proclamation in their honor and proclaim Oct. 7 as Sirena Day.

The Mermaid Parade will begin at 2 p.m. on Oct. 7 in Pace Park and proceed a half mile to the festival grounds beside Salado Creek, near where the famous bronze sculpture of Sirena resides. Sirena Fest will run 2:30-6:00 p.m. and will include educational booths by UMHB Biology Professor Dr. Kaleb Heinrich and the Texas Fish & Wildlife Service, and a history booth from the Salado Museum. There will also be face painting, arts activities, delicious food, and amazing performers from Circus Picnic, an extraordinary group of performers from Austin, Texas.



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Village of Salado Calendar of Events

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That the World May Know video series, Wednesdays 6:30 p.m. at Salado Church of Christ Auditorium

JULY 6
Yes Chef Food Truck, 4 - 8 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co.

JULY 6
PEC Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer & Salado Lone Star Winery info (512) 576-0123

JULY 6
Village of Salado Board of Aldermen meeting, 6 p.m. at Municipal Building

JULY 7
Smokin' BBQ Food Truck, 4 - 8 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co.

JULY 8
Salado Youth Football Association conditioning opportunity, 8 - 10 a.m. at Youth Football Fields info: saladoyfa@gmail.com or (2540 319-0928

JULY 8 - 9
Salado Market Days, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall, 721 Stagecoach Road. info: (254) 947-3355

JULY 8
Classes at Stamp Salado: A Magical Shaker Card at 10:30 a.m. or Home Sweet Home Cards at 1 p.m.

JULY 8
Salado Swirl Wine Trail, 2 - 6 p.m. across the Village of Salado. info: salado.com

JULY 8
Finadene Food Truck, 2 - 10 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co.

JULY 9
Chip's Smokin' BBQ Food Truck, 1 - 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co.

JULY 13
Independence Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer & Salado Lone Star Winery info (512) 576-0123

JULY 14
Korean Kravings Food Truck, 4 - 10 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co.

JULY 15
Salado Youth Football Association conditioning opportunity, 8 - 10 a.m. at Youth Football Fields. Registration held 10 a.m. - noon at Brookshire Brothers info: saladoyfa@gmail.com or (2540 319-0928

JULY 15
Classes at Stamp Salado: Indigo Cats Cards at 10:30 a.m. or Three Birthday Cards at 1:30 p.m.

JULY 15
Central Texas Astronomical Society Star Party, 8:30 - 11:30 p.m. at Overlook Park, 3740 FM 1670. info: centexastronomy.org

JULY 16
Chip's Smokin' BBQ Food Truck, 1 - 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co.

JULY 17 - 20
Football Camp - grade 2 - 8, 9 a.m. - noon at Eagle Stadium. \$50 info: allen.haire@saladoisd.org.

JULY 17-20
Vacation Bible School, 6-8:30 p.m. nightly at Salado United Methodist Church. Maker Fun Factory. Register and Volunteer at saladoumc.org.

JULY 20
Lego Movie Matinee, 3 - 5 p.m. at Salado Public Library

JULY 20
St Arnolds Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer & Salado Lone Star Winery info (512) 576-0123

JULY 20
Village of Salado Board of Aldermen Workshop Session, 6 p.m. at Municipal Building

JULY 20
The Priest's Pint, 6:30 - 8 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

JULY 21
Eagle Air it Out, 8 - 10 a.m. and Lineman Challenge, 10 a.m. - noon grades 6 - 8, at Eagle Stadium. \$25 info: allen.haire@saladoisd.org



Registration for Salado Youth Football is underway. Youth 7 - 12 years have the opportunity to play in one of two divisions in the league. Conditioning opportunities are July 1, 8 and 15 at the youth football fields on Park Road. visit the Salado Youth Football Association facebook page for more info.

JULY 21
Vanilla Bean Food Truck, 4 - 10 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co.

JULY 22
CNJ BBQ Food Truck, noon - 10 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co.

JULY 22
Artist 2 Artist Showcase, 7 p.m. at Johnny's Outback. Live music, visual and performance art showcase.

JULY 22, 29, AUGUST 5
Salado Legends; dinner 7:15 p.m. show 8:15 p.m., Tablerock Amphitheater. Dinner \$10 adults \$20 under 12 \$5. info: (254) 947-9205

JULY 23
Barrow Brewing Lecture Series: Benthic Bugs, 5 - 6 p.m.

JULY 23
Chamber Music Concert, 7 p.m. at Chapel at Caliber Oak. Proceeds benefit: Mtendere School, Lusaka, Zambia

JULY 24
Salado Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting, 5 - 6 p.m. at the Library

JULY 27
Jurassic World Matinee, 3 - 5 p.m. at Salado Public Library

JULY 27
Trivia Night, 6:30 - 8 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co.

JULY 27
Twisted X Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer & Salado Lone Star Winery info (512) 576-0123

JULY 28
Friends of Salado Football Golf Classic, 1 p.m. at Mill Creek Golf Club. info: john.kirk@saladoisd.org

JULY 28
Henco en Queso Food Truck, 4 - 10 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co.

JULY 28
Sirril Art Gallery 5th Anniversary Celebration, 6 - 9 p.m. at #1 Royal St.

JULY 28
4th Friday Sip 'n Shop, 6 - 9 p.m. across Salado

JULY 28
Royal Street Art Walk (RAW), 6 - 9 p.m. along Royal Street, info: royal-streetartwalk.com

JULY 29
Shop For a Cause, participating Salado merchants will donate a portion of the days sales to the Salado Volunteer Fire Department. SVFD will be at Salado Glassworks, Noon - 4 p.m. with a water tank swimming hole, fire trucks to climb on, equipment to try out and fire fighters to meet and say "thank you" to. Sponsored by Salado Glassworks.

JULY 29
Fun with Legos, 2 - 4 p.m. at Salado Public Library

JULY 29
Barrow Tie Dye Party, 4 - 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co.

JULY 30
Henco en Queso Food Truck, 1 - 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co.

JULY 31 - AUG 3
Football Camp - incoming 9th grade, 8 - 10 a.m. at SHS. \$50 info: allen.haire@saladoisd.org

JULY 31
New Student Enrollment, 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Salado Intermediate School. All grades info: (254) 947-6942

AUGUST 1
Salado Youth Football Association registration deadline, info: saladoyfa@gmail.com or (2540 319-0928

AUGUST 2
Adult Crafts, 2 - 4 p.m. at Salado Public Library. Topic: Adult Coloring Books Registration: (254) 947-9191

AUGUST 3
Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs Matinee, 3 - 5 p.m. at Salado Public Library

AUGUST 3
Rahr Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer & Salado Lone Star Winery

AUGUST 3
Village of Salado Board of Aldermen meeting, 6 p.m. at Municipal Building

AUGUST 5
Fun with Legos, 2 - 4 p.m. at Salado Public Library

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

AUGUST 10
Dolphin Tale movie matinee, 3 - 5 p.m. at Salado Public Library

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Community takes name from Summers Mill

By Charlene Carson
Historian

On April 9, 1865, General Robert E. Lee, commander of the Confederate army in Virginia, surrendered his tattered, torn, and half-starved army to General Ulysses S. Grant, the general-in-chief of the United States army. Without Lee's forces, it was useless for the other Confederate armies to continue fighting; therefore, by the last of May all units had surrendered. All officers and men were paroled and allowed to return home to begin life anew.

On April 14, 1865, only five days after Lee's surrender, President Abraham Lincoln was assassinated, and Vice-President Andrew Johnson assumed the office of President. During Johnson's term the southern states, including Texas, endured a period of reconstruction. Reconstruction allowed the defeated Southern States, which had seceded from the Union, to again become a part of the United States.

Basically, reconstruction was the victorious North imposing its will upon the South. Union conquerors took control of the states, forcing Texas and the other defeated Southern States to follow policies dictated from Washington, D.C. During this time, Texas did not have the status of a state in the United States. To maintain order, the states, including Texas, were placed under military rule. George W. Tyler, in his book History of Bell County, described reconstruction as follows:

"Bell County, of course, shared the general fate and our people were, in due time, greeted with a new set of officials – virtually military appointees – agents set up over us by foreign rulers to collect our taxes, to handle our public funds, to administer our affairs. We were now treated as people of a "conquered province" and must "pay the price of our folly!"

Even though the citizens of Bell County were under this period of reconstruction and learning how to deal with issues they have not had to deal with before, such as how to assimilate the freed slaves into society, the county was growing. Indeed, Salado grew rapidly after the Civil War. Fathers returning from the war moved their families to Salado so their children could grow up and go to school in a small, rural, peaceful village. Others came for business opportunities. Among those was Col. John Meyers.

In 1866 Col. John Meyers built a gristmill on a tract of 120 acres of land bought from Wm. Mure. The mill was several miles down Salado Creek at what is now the crossing of Belton and Holland roads. This mill became known as Summers Mill. The mill was a four-story structure made of shaved burr oak and limestone. Earl, a local carpenter, shaped the timbers for a monthly salary of \$12.50.



Summers Mill and Dam in the 1920s. (MICHAEL AND NANCY KELSEY, BELTON, TEXAS.)

Jack Burnett, a mason, did the stone work. The dam was originally built of cedar post; however, a later miller added a limestone facing.

The first waterwheel was a Leffel undershot turbine and was hauled by ox team from Houston, the nearest rail point. The millstones, which had come from France, were hauled up the Texas coast by oxcart along with other milling machinery. In a short time, the mill was turning out water-ground cornmeal, a staple ingredient in most of the meals prepared in kitchens of Central Texas households.

Meyers Mill ran first as a gristmill. Business was good and within a year Meyers added a sawmill. Most of the mill's products were sold locally; however, every fall freight trains of ox and mule carts made the trip to Houston with surplus flour and cotton. These surpluses were traded for store supplies.

The mill was thriving when Col. Meyers sold his interest in the mill to Douglas McKenzie, who operated the mill with Meyers's son Robert for a time, and in 1879 they sold the mill to D. C. Summers.

Summers' parents, John and Virginia (Watson) Summers were married in Kentucky and soon after their marriage, the young couple moved to Illinois. The couple would have ten children. D. C. Summers was born in Jefferson County, Illinois in 1842. Summers' father was a machinist and millwright who is credited with erecting the first mill in Jefferson County, Illinois. The Sum-

mers family came to Texas in 1856 and settled in Corsicana, Navarro County.

D. C. Summers received his education in both Illinois and Texas. At the age of 19 Summers joined Company A First Texas Sharpshooters and served with the forces that operated west of the Mississippi River. He was assigned to the engineering department. In 1863 Summers was captured at Jackson, Louisiana. He was, however, immediately paroled at which time he returned home and remained for a while. He subsequently re-entered the service and was assigned to the engineer's department. Summers was discharged at Shreveport after General Robert E. Lee's surrender, and returned to his parents' home in Corsicana, Texas.

In 1866 D. C. Summers erected the first flour mill in the southern part of Navarro County. Also in 1866 Summers was married to Miss Emma A. Currie of Hunt County, Texas. The couple would have two children, John W. and Walter T.

In 1877 or 1878 the D. C. Summers family moved to Bell County, Texas and settled temporarily in Salado. A year later Summers purchased the old corn and sawmill formerly owned by John Meyers. Summers installed modern machinery, making it the first roller mill in the county. In replacing the millstones with roller mills, the time-consuming process of dressing (sharpening) the millstones was eliminated. A roller mill could speed up the milling process, thus increasing the amount of marketable flour that could

be produced. Millstones for grinding had been in use almost since the beginning of milling. Replacing them was a giant step forward in the technology of running a mill. However, when the first roller mills were introduced in Texas, some millers had difficulty believing that rollers would replace the millstones and that millstones would soon become relics of the past.

A settlement soon grew up around the mill that took the name Summers Mill, and by 1884 Summers Mill had a population of 50 people. The community consisted of a general merchandise store, three churches, and a post office named Summers Mill, Texas. The stagecoach ran tri-weekly to Belton and the mail was delivered tri-weekly also. When the Bell County Commissioners Court created common school district #34 in 1888, it was named Summers Mill School. This school continued to operate until December 1915 when it was consolidated with Elm Grove to form the new Armstrong School.

Summers operated the mill until 1888, at which time he traded it to James Reuben (J.R.) Holland for a 226-acre farm on Indian Creek, five miles west of Bartlett.

PART II WILL LOOK AT J.R. HOLLAND AND OTHER OWNERS OF THE MILL IN OUR JULY 13 EDITION.

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Map Legend

- S Shopping**
- A Art and Galleries**
- L Lodging**
- D Dining and Drinks**
- V Venues & Sights**
- \$ Services**
- C Churches and Education**

Business Name Type

- 3 Wildfire Ranch Arena V
- 4 St. Stephen Catholic Church C
- 6 Salado College Park V
- 7 Raney & Associates \$
- 8 Stagecoach Inn D
- 9 Salado Museum V
- 10 Sofi's S
- 12 Chupacabra and Salado Lone Star Winery D
- 14 Salado Glassworks A
- 17 Barrow Brewery D
- Hecho en Queso Food Truck Fri. D
- 20 Springhouse Emporium S
- 21 The Venue V
- 22 The Shed D
- 24 Tablerock C
- 26 Salado United Methodist Church C
- 29 Alexander's D
- 29 Inn on the Creek L
- 30 First Baptist Church C
- 32 First Texas Brokerage \$
- 33 First State Bank \$
- 34 First Community Title Farmer's Insurance Zbrank Agency \$
- 40 W.A. Pace Memorial Park V
- 46 The 1860s Shop S
- 47 Timeless S
- 48 The Inn at Salado L
- 49 Lively Coffeehouse & Bistro D
- 49 Magnolias S
- 50 The Range at the Barton House D
- 55 Salado Family Dentistry S
- 57 Mud Pies S
- 58 The Shoppes on Main #1 S
- 60 Salado Creek Jewelry S
- 62 The Pizza Place D
- The Shade Shop S
- 65 ERA Colonial Real Estate \$
- 73 Crain Chiropractic & Wellness \$
- 75 Angelic Herbs S
- Bruce Bolick, CPA \$
- 76 Salado Civic Center S
- 78 The Mustard Seed S
- 79 Salado Chamber/Tourism Bureau \$
- 81 Salado Wine Seller and Salado Winery Co. D
- 82 St. Joseph's Episcopal Church C
- 85 Dee's Antique Mall S
- 85 Salado Post Office \$
- 86 Bill Bartlett – Century 21 \$
- 86 Subway D
- Old Fashioned Burgers D
- 87 The Personal Wealth Coach \$
- 89 Stamp Salado S
- 90 Presbyterian Church of Salado C
- 91 Troy Smith Financial Services \$
- 92 Salado Sculpture Garden A
- 96 Ace Pest Control \$
- Integrity Rehab \$
- Keith Ace Hardware \$
- Mill Creek Cleaners \$
- Montieth Abstract & Title \$
- The Haire Shop \$
- Salado Village Voice \$
- 97 Brookshire Brothers S
- 100 Salado Public Library C
- 101 Salado Cleaners \$
- 102 Hairitage Barber Shop C
- 113 Salado Church of Christ C
- 118 Salado Market Days S
- 119 Salado Antique Mall S
- 120 Horizon Bank \$
- 129 Cowboy's Barbecue D
- 130 Village Spirits S
- 132 Broecker Funeral Home \$
- 133 Johnny's Steaks and BBQ D
- 135 Embrace Smiles \$
- 136 Salado Schools & Stadium C
- 139 Cedar Valley Baptist Church C
- Not Shown on the Shopping Map**
- Animal Medical \$
- JD's Travel Center D
- The Play Yard Preschool \$
- Don Ringer \$
- Garlyn Shelton \$
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Historical Markers in Salado

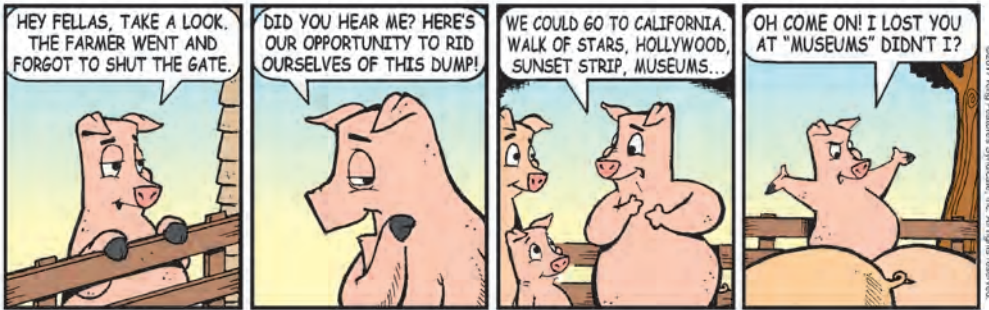
- 6. Salado Historic College Hill
- 8. Shady Villa Hotel (Stagecoach Inn)
- 8. Main Street Bridge
- 16. Barber-Berry Mercantile
- 23. The Baines House
- 24. Historic Dipping Vats
- 25. The A.J. Rose Mansion
- 26. Old Methodist Chapel

- 27. Caskey-Hendricks House
- 28. Dr. McKie Place (Twelve Oaks)
- 29. Alexander's Distillery
- 30. First Baptist Church
- 31. The Tyler House
- 35. Salado Masonic Lodge #296
- 45. The Anderson House
- 46. Old Saloon
- 48. The Norton-Orgain House

- 50. The Barton House
- 51. The Levi Tenney House
- 55. The Armstrong Adams House
- 61. Historic Lenticular Bridge
- 49. The Vickrey House
- 76. Boles-Aiken & Denman Cabins
- 77. The Robert B. Halley House
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- 100. The Josiah Fowler House

Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



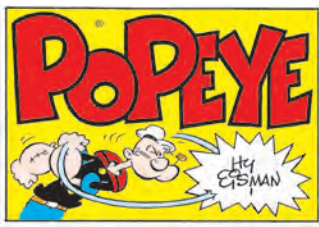
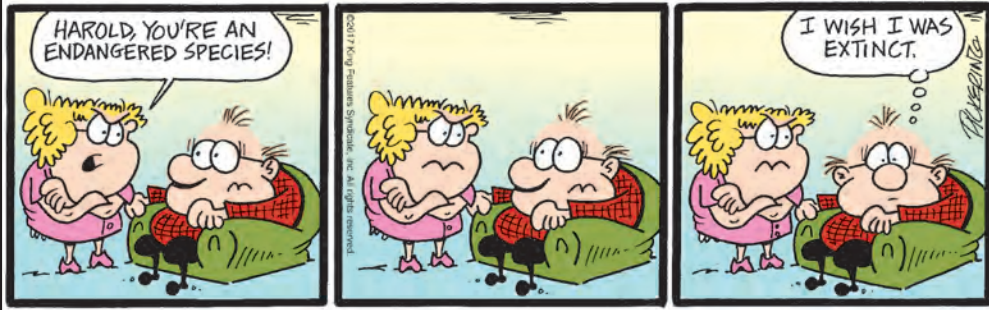
R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



- 1. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of kangaroos called?
2. MEASUREMENTS: How many tablespoons are in a gallon?
3. LANGUAGE: What does the Spanish word "verde" mean in English?
4. U.S. STATES: Which U.S. state has the longest freshwater shoreline?
5. ANATOMY: What side of the brain is believed to be important for logic and rational thought?
6. FOOD & DRINK: What was the first successful brand of instant coffee?

Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

- 7. MATH: How many letters are used in Roman Numerals?
8. ASTRONOMY: The Mariner probe program was developed to explore which planets?
9. COMICS: What was the secret identity of Batwoman?
10. GAMES: What is the first railroad you can land on after starting Monopoly at "Go"?

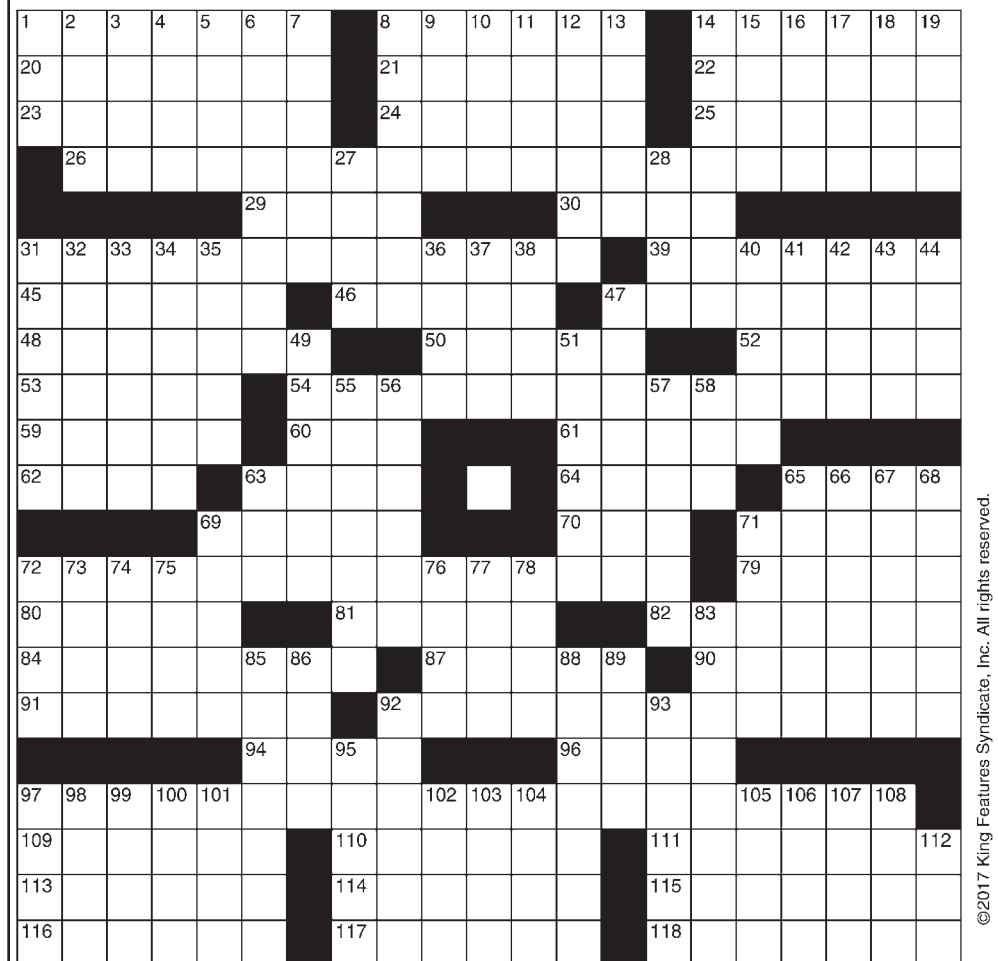
- Answers
1. A mob
2. 256
3. Green
4. Michigan
5. Left
6. Nescafe
7. Seven
8. Mars, Venus and Mercury
9. Kathy Kane
10. Reading Railroad

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Super Crossword

SEVENTH HOLE

- ACROSS
1 Diamond shape
8 Swank
14 Hit on the bean
20 "Winnie-the-Pooh" author
21 Crescent-shaped
22 Have a thought
23 Bishop, e.g.
24 Apparel
25 It's hung and hit at fiesta
26 Start of an instruction
29 "Anne of Green Gables" novelist Lucy
30 "... have thought it?"
31 Instruction, part 2
39 Reindeer herders' region
45 Burrow
46 Scottish estate owner
47 1976 title film role for Robby Benson
48 Gin-and-lime cocktails
50 Weeper of Greek myth
52 Kitchen appliance brand
53 Everything considered
54 Instruction, part 3
59 Catholic bigwigs
60 Huge time unit
61 Elf
62 With 41-Down, town near New London, Connecticut
63 — about (near)
64 Have — (know someone with clout)
65 Weak type
69 Terrific
70 NFL goals
71 See 97-Down
72 Instruction, part 4
79 Steamers, e.g.
80 Barbera's partner in cartoons
81 Artist Rousseau
82 Onion's kin
84 Proceeds
87 Coffee option
90 Plaza Hotel girl of kid-lit
91 Venus, just before dawn
92 Instruction, part 5
94 — Field (Mets' home)
96 One all, e.g.
97 End of the instruction
109 Team novice
110 Warrant
111 Actor Gary
113 Bee or ant
114 More timid
115 Put to use
116 Mall stands
117 Shines and smooths
118 Vended
DOWN
1 Musical talk
2 Mata —
3 It's a sign
4 Vibraphonist Jackson
5 Ho-hum
6 Inopportune
7 Shilly-shally
8 Model
9 Skating jump
10 Animated bug film
11 Go via sea
12 Scattered, as seeds
13 "For cryin' out loud!"
14 Two-footed
15 Aesir god
16 Confined, with "up"
17 Jack of early late-night TV
18 Bluesy James
19 Merger, e.g.
20 Knitting stitch
21 E. — (gut bacteria)
22 Band
23 Couscous alternative
24 Opens, as a gas tank
25 Sock variety
26 Film units
27 Baseball's Martinez
28 Shamrock's land
29 Reversed one
30 Dinner piece
31 See
32 62-Across
33 Open a bit
34 Taboo thing
35 Unhearing
36 Carlisle of the Go-Go's
37 Awful smell
38 Indirect route
39 Tobacco pipes
40 Get clothed
41 Is
42 Material for some cans
43 Alley —
44 Lambaste
45 Rome's land, in France
46 Acacia relative
47 Badger
48 Incline
49 Resell tickets
50 Mississippi senator Cochran
51 "Mary — Little Lamb"
52 One of the deadly sins
53 Santa — (some winds)
54 Lead-in to spore
55 67-Down, for one
56 Personal quirks
83 Article- preceding summary
85 Marks of distinction
86 Cat Nation tribe
87 Pollination organs
88 Pâté de — gras
89 Truck fuel
90 Vessel with a bag, maybe
91 Streetcars
92 With 71-Across, French avant-garde composer
93 TV actress Anderson
94 Ho-hum
95 — out (barely earns)
96 Lit candle bit
97 "Hmm ... yes!"
98 Zap, as leftovers
99 Arduous hike
100 Lost traction
101 Solder, say
102 Jannings of old films
103 Demolish
104 Actor Romero



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There's many a slip

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

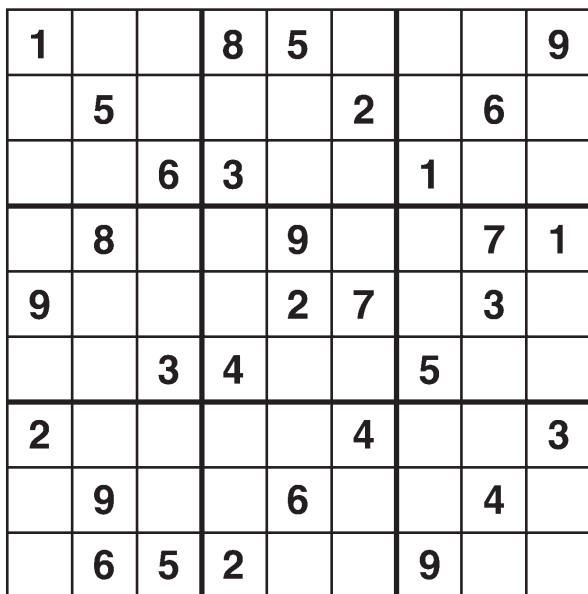
Sidney Lenz used to tell the story of a hand he played in the days of auction bridge. If the bidding seems absurd, it can be explained by remembering that in auction, the bidding structure was far different from what it is today in contract bridge. In those days, a game or slam bonus was awarded whether or not it was bid -- provided the number of tricks a declarer took added up to a game or slam. Lengthy bidding sequences were unusual, and opening

South dealer. Auction bridge. NORTH
WEST EAST SOUTH
The bidding: South West North East
Opening lead — queen of hearts.

signaled with the ten instead of playing the ace. Declarer heaved a huge sigh of relief, won the heart with the king and cashed six diamonds and six clubs to score a grand slam. East could have turned the result completely around had he played the ace of hearts and caught the king. On the ten-of-hearts return by East, Lenz could overtake with the jack and lead a low heart to East's seven. East's queen-of-spades return would then allow Lenz to cash his hearts and return a spade, whereupon East would run his spades and the defenders would score all 13 tricks. You don't often see a hand where a defender's misplay costs his side 26 tricks -- but, for whatever it's worth, this is one of them. It is, though, a feat not worthy of emulation. (c) 2017 King Features Syndicate Inc.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

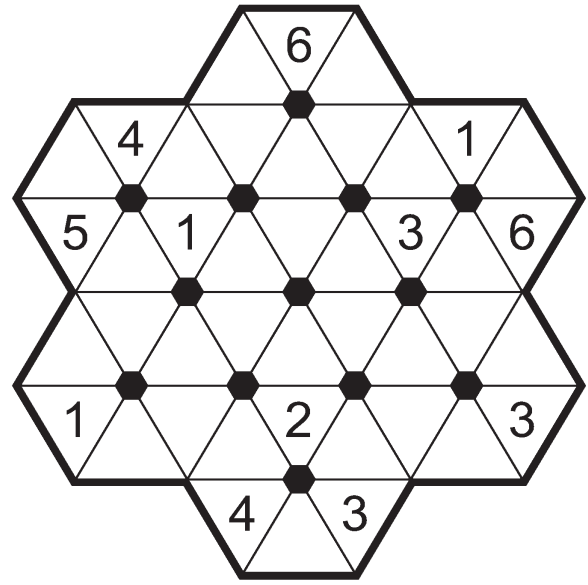
- Moderate
Challenging
HOO BOY!

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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



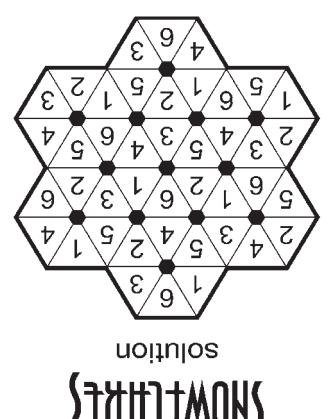
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- Easy
Medium
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The Turkey Vulture is often called a Buzzard.

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The Turkey Vulture (*Cathartes aura*) is one of three species of new world vultures that inhabits the United States. This particular species is a common carrion feeding bird that resides in the entire United States (except for the extreme north-



Wild About Texas

Michael Price

east) during the summer months. It migrates south during the colder winter months, with its United States range encompassing southern California eastward along the international border to Texas and eastward to the southeastern United States. It can be observed throughout Texas during the warmer months, while in the winter it can be seen roughly south of I-20 and east of I-35. This non-descript and rather un-attractive species of bird is surprisingly large, with a body length of approximately 28 inches, while the

wingspan can be almost 6 feet. It can weigh up to 4 pounds. As bland in coloration as it is, the Turkey Vulture, or Buzzard as it is more commonly referred to, is very recognizable. The dorsal (back) coloration is solid black, as is the breast and long tail. The upper wings are black, while the under wings are black with silver flight feathers, giving it a two-tone combination. The head is distinctively naked, and the skin on the head is bright red. This red head, along with the black body feathers, is where the namesake originated from, as these colors are rather turkey-like in appearance.

Turkey Vultures are most commonly seen while foraging for food while high in the air. It has a slow, methodical, and almost clumsy looking flight pattern of gliding in random circles, teetering in an unsteady rhythm. Occasionally it can be seen perched on low-lying trees, shrubs or fenceposts with its wings spread out, particularly in the early mornings, soaking up the rays of the sun.

Turkey Vultures are primarily solitary, except when feeding on prey and the occasional group roosting at night. Pairs are monogamous, and breeding occurs twice annually. The male is the primary incubator of

the twelve to sixteen eggs, although at times, many females will lay their eggs in a communal nest, with nests containing over one hundred eggs being documented. The young are tended to after hatching for almost five months by both parents. By that time, the young have obtained their ability to fly and developed their sense of smell, which is the primary way of finding their preferred food items.

The main diet of this new world vulture is carrion, or dead animals. Any and all species are consumed, regardless of the state of the deceased animal's freshness or rottenness. Many Turkey Vultures will eat roadkill, and at times fall victim to automobiles themselves as they feast. However, the numbers of vultures killed in this manner is more than adequately compensated by the amount of animals that succumb to vehicles. With the increase of automobiles on the roads, more than ever before, and with more roadways being paved in rural areas, populations of Turkey Vultures will continue to increase as their food supply increases.

Turkey Vultures are commonly referred to as buzzards, although this name is technically not correct as buzzards are group of Old World species. However, even the most astute naturalist will allow the nickname of buzzard to slip from the tongue from time to time while in the field.



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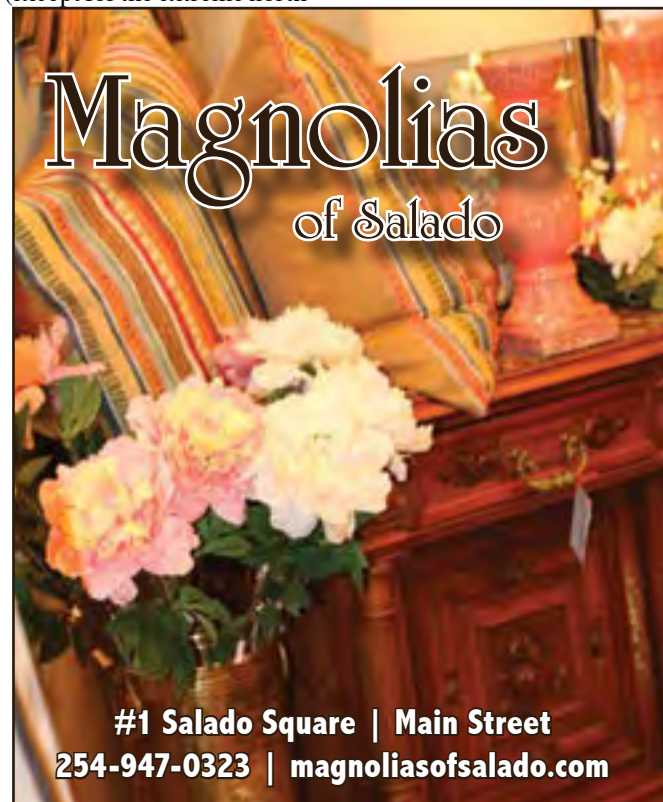


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detector. No other hazards found. 1 unit, 3 personnel. June 28
7:46-7:58 p.m., 400 Block Decker Rd. Went en route and arrived on scene to be canceled by Belton Medic. 1 unit, 1 personnel. June 29

12:31-1:15 a.m., 1100 Block La Paloma. Arrived on scene to find 49 year old female sitting and complaining of tightness in her chest. Scott & White Medic arrived on scene and transferred patient care. 2 units, 2 personnel.

June 29
5:27-6:17 p.m., 22600 Block I-35 Service Rd. Responded to scene, however prior to arrival dispatch advised of history of weapons on scene and to stage for police. Whilst staged outside the RV par., Williamson Co. EMS and Jarrell FD also arrive don scene. DPS arrived on scene and proceeded to address. Patient was found sitting on couch with difficulty breathing and Wilco EMS initiated patient care assessment. Assisted to extricate patient. 2 units, 3 personnel

July 1
9:32-9:59 a.m., 281 NB Rest Area. Out for a patient thinking about suicide. Staged on the service road until code-4 was given. Once DPS gave the all clear SVFD proceeded to scene and found a male patient talking to DPS, was very cooperative. Vitals stable and no need for ambulance. BCSO transported patient for evaluation with patient's consent. 2 units, 2 personnel.
10:16-11:33 a.m., Rivers Bend and 2484. Arrived on scene in POV and reported that vehicle had let

the road and was into tree, 1 male patient was aware and complaining of neck pain. On arrival of rescue 2, DPS were on scene. Grey ford pickup was int hew est bound ditch with obvious damage to drivers die roof from rollover, a pillar had intrusion. Nil smoke or obvious fluids leaking from vehicle, did not require further stabilization. Nil other vehicles involved. 66 year old male was the only occupant of the vehicle, still seated and restrained int he rivers seat, nil deployment of air bags and ignition key had

been removed. Patient denies loss of consciousness. Harker Heights medic arrived on scene and patient care handed over. 3 units, 10 personnel.
July 2
12:07-12:18 a.m., 2100 Block Chisholm Trail. Arrived on scene with Salado Police Department and made entry into the house and found patient sitting on kitchen floor. Patient was not hurt and just needed help up. SVFD and SPD assisted patient up. 3 units, 4 personnel.

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