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Village sales taxes continue downward

While the county and state have seen continued increases in sales tax revenues, the Village of Salado sales tax rebate was down 11 percent this month.

State Comptroller Susan Combs issued a sales tax rebate to the Village of Salado of \$35,042.83, which is 11 percent less than that issued in August 2012 of \$39,417.00. For the year, sales tax rebates to the Village of Salado have been off by more than 3 percent. So far in 2013, the Village has received \$253,272.85, compared to \$262,388.59 through August 2012.

This at a time that the Village is considering a budget that is approximately \$145,000 more in expenditures than last year's budget. The chief causes for this increase include a proposed increase in road maintenance, an additional police officer and the contract with Central Texas Council of Governments (CTCOG) for city management services.

Aldermen will conduct the first reading of the proposed 2013-14 budget during their 6 p.m. Aug. 15 meeting at the Municipal Building. The draft budget proposes \$961,091 in expenditures and \$841,887 in income for a deficit of almost \$120,000. The Village currently has approximately \$1.1 million

in funds and no long-term debt.

Salado is not the only Bell County municipality to see its sales tax revenues drop this year. Harker Heights is 6.72 percent off of 2012's pace. It has received \$3.5 million in sales tax, while it took in \$3.8 million through July 2012.

Bell County government saw its sales tax revenues increase by 5 percent this month: \$1.5 million compared to \$1.4 million last year. For the year, Bell County is 4 percent ahead at \$10.7 million compared to \$10.3 million last year.

Salado Public Library District is in the enviable position of seeing its sales tax rebates continue to increase over last year. The District received \$36,898.55 in August, a 7 percent increase over last August's payment of \$34,473.12. For the year, the District has been paid \$260,283.03, which is almost 26 percent more than the \$206,960.20 paid through August 2012.

"Texas sales tax revenue has increased for 40 consecutive months," Comptroller Susan Combs said. "The retail trade sector bolstered the latest growth in monthly revenue, and collections from the construction and the oil and natural gas sectors show strength."



September not only brings the start of fall, but also the start of a new requirement for Texas drivers. The state's Move Over/Slow Down law, which traditionally has required drivers to yield to police, fire and emergency vehicles, has now been expanded to provide that same protection for Texas Department of Transportation workers. The new addition to the Move Over law requires motorists to move out of the lane closest to the TxDOT vehicle when possible or reduce their speed to 20 miles per hour below the posted limit. If the road does not offer multiple lanes, the driver must slow down. On roadways with posted speed limits of 25 miles per hour or less, drivers must reduce their speed to 5 miles per hour. Violators can be fined up to \$2,000.



Cong. Carter returns to Salado on Aug. 22

U.S. Congressman John Carter will speak at a luncheon 11:30 a.m. Aug. 22 at Tenroc Ranch, hosted by the Salado Area Republican Women. Reservations are necessary.

Make your reservations by Aug. 15 for food and seating. RSVP to Bobi Anderson 254-947-3315 and/or send your reservation with \$15 to SARW PO BOX 373, Salado TX 76571. Questions may be addressed to Anderson at bob_i_anderson@embarq-mail.com.

U.S. Representative John R. Carter was re-elected in a landslide in November 2012 to his sixth term representing Texas' 31st Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives. Congressman Carter was also selected this term as Chairman of the Homeland Security Subcommittee on Appropriations, Vice-Chairman on the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee, and to his third term as Co-chairman of the bipartisan House Army Caucus. He has been a member of the House Appropriations Committee since 2004, and also sits on the Subcommittee on Energy and Water.

Since his first election in 2002, Congressman Carter has authored and supported numerous pieces of legislation that he says will "protect U.S. citizens and bring justice to those who threaten our freedom and way of life."

In spite of now being a veteran Congressman, John Carter is still known as "Judge" for having served over 20 years on the district court bench in Williamson County, which he won as the first county-wide elected Republican in Williamson County history. Before becoming a Judge, Congressman Carter had a successful private law practice and continued to practice law while serving in the Municipal Judge in Round Rock.

Congressman Carter's leadership ability has been recognized by his colleagues and others. During his first term, Congressman Carter was named one of the "Top Five Freshman" in Congress by a Capitol Hill newspaper.

In July 2004, President Bush held a signing ceremony for Congressman Carter's Identity Theft bill at the White House. The law lessens the burden of proof making identity theft easier to prove and prosecute and also defines and creates punishment for aggravated identity theft.

Congressman Carter was born and raised in Houston and has spent his adult life in Central Texas.

SISD meets standards

Salado I.S.D. met the standard in student achievement, student progress, closing performance gaps and post-secondary readiness as a district and on all of its campuses under the Texas Education Agency's new accountability system.

The district scored 2,766 out of 3,094 possible points in Student Achievement for an index score of 89, above the state target score of 50.

The district scored 565 out of 1,600 on Stu-

dent Progress for an index score of 35, also above the target score of 21.

SISD also earned 867 points in Closing Performance Gaps for an index score of 87, above the target score of 55.

Out of a possible 400 points, the district scored 370.1 in Post-secondary Readiness for an index score of 93, above the target score of 75.

Salado also had a perfect rating on system safeguards for performance rates, participation rates,

graduation rates and meeting federal limits on alternative assessments.

Salado Intermediate School met the standard in all areas, but did not receive distinction designation in any areas.

Salado Junior High met the standard in all areas and also earned distinction for Academic Achievement in Reading/ELA.

Salado High School met the standard in all areas and earned distinction for Academic Achievement in Mathematics.

SISD to cut spending by 1.2% in 2013-14

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

First day on the job for most people is settling in to the patterns.

For Michael Novotny, it was finding a way for Salado schools to overcome a \$635,000 cut in state funding for the 2011-12 budget year after the Texas legislature and Gov. Rick Perry cut more than \$5.4 billion in state funding to schools in the 2011 legislative session.

Not much has changed for the Salado ISD Superintendent. School trustees at their Aug. 12 called meeting proposed an operating budget of \$10.9 million in revenues and \$11.1 million in expenditures. The proposed budget will be funded by a proposed tax rate of \$1.30 per \$100 evaluation.

Since Texas lawmakers radically changed state funding for schools in 2011, Salado schools have seen their state funds decrease by \$1.53 million in two years. Over the next two years, even after legislators replaced much of the funds that were cut in 2011, will see state funding cut by another \$1.2 million.

When legislators replaced about 85 percent of the state funds they cut in 2011, the new formulas affected school districts in different ways.

"Property wealthy schools got less," Dr. Novotny said.

A lot less. Salado will get back about 22 percent of the state funds that were cut in 2011.

To overcome the loss of state revenues, Salado

Salado ISD Budget Comparisons

	ADOPTED 2011-12	AMENDED 2011-2012	ADOPTED 2012-13	PROPOSED 2013-14	% CHANGE
Enrollment	1,356		1,356	1,402	
ADA	1,315		1,315	1,333	
GENERAL OPERATING MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION					
REVENUE					
Local	6,977,438	7,287,926	7,226,154	7,458,025	
State	3,672,070	3,719,751	3,340,334	3,299,669	
Federal	426,251	502,763	207,000	209,900	
Revenue Total	11,075,759	11,510,440	10,773,488	10,967,594	
EXPENDITURES					
Instruction	6,248,924	6,260,255	6,076,156	5,944,752	-2.2%
Instructional Resources	348,435	348,968	337,785	335,385	-0.7%
Curriculum & Staff Development	76,562	83,435	78,312	12,950	-504.7%
School Leadership	695,166	651,866	714,624	726,924	1.7%
Guidance/Counseling	197,744	195,733	154,869	225,779	31.4%
Social Services	22,950	22,950	22,950	22,950	0.0%
Health Services	55,960	52,760	51,960	49,360	-5.3%
Student Transportation	522,690	544,562	519,442	513,491	-1.2%
Food Services	550,900	551,300	546,967	542,217	-0.9%
Co-curricular/Extracurricular	667,773	715,124	656,979	689,540	4.7%
General Admission	417,175	420,595	426,875	434,435	1.7%
Plant Maintenance & Operation	950,729	1,037,174	900,925	855,395	-5.3%
Security & Monitoring Services	4,000	4,300	3,800	3,800	0.0%
Debt Service	28,501	28,501	13,189	0	
Land Acquisition	0	14,384	0	0	
Instructional WADA Payments	13,000	39,000	40,000	40,000	0.0%
Payments to Fiscal Agents	663,000	633,000	565,312	581,000	2.7%
Payments to JJAEP	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	0.0%
Payments to Other Gov'ts	98,000	88,000	98,000	98,000	0.0%
Expenditure Total	11,566,509	11,696,907	11,213,215	11,080,978	-1.2%
Change in Fund Balance	-490,750	-186,467	-439,727	-113,384	

school leaders have taken a three-pronged approach:

#1: Cut spending.

For Salado schools, this was done through attrition. While schools throughout the state were facing cutting employees, Salado schools were fortunate enough to be able to reduce spending through attrition programs of not replacing positions when staff left. Since 2011, SISD staff has dropped from 193 to 175 through attrition.

#2: Dip into fund balance.

The school district in 2011 proposed dipping into the fund balance by \$490,750. However, because of an influx of students and an increase in property values, the district was able to actually

dip into the fund balance by only \$186,467.

The district will likely dip into its fund balance by more than \$400,000. This was due to the adopted budget calling for \$439,727 in deficit spending being compounded by an actual dip in enrollment and ADA throughout most of the 2012-13 school year.

The proposed 2013-14 budget will dip into the fund balance by \$113,384, which is less than the \$120,000 cost of step increases for teachers and cost-of-living pay increases for other staff.

#3: Increase income.

Salado trustees voted this spring to waive the transfer fees to students transferring in to SISD. This has apparently been

successful for the schools by increasing anticipated income from state ADA payments by \$200,000 more than the anticipated local income lost to transfer fees.

Since waiving transfer fees, SISD has gained almost 40 transfer students. At the end of 2013 school year, SISD had 142 transfer students. Before the first day of school later this month, SISD has 180 transfer students.

"The only other way to increase funding is to look at tax increases," Dr. Novotny said.

To do that, however, would take a positive vote of SISD voters. Salado ISD is at the top M&O tax rate of \$1.04 per \$100 evaluation allowed by the

state.

To go above that would require a Tax Ratification Election. A TRE could allow SISD to increase the M&O tax rate by up to 13¢ if proposed by school trustees and approved by the voters.

The proposed budget increases revenue by \$194,106. About \$232,000 of that is in local revenue. Despite the legislature adding money back to state education funding and despite a budgeted increase in ADA of 2.5 percent, SISD will actually take in less state money than 2012-13: \$3,299,669 for 2013-14 compared to \$3,340,334 in 2012-13.

Trustees will formally approve the budget and \$1.30 tax rate on Aug. 26.

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August 5

08:40 - 08:50 a.m., 300 block North Stagecoach Road, lost cell phone. Subject was purchasing fuel at Country Boys and lost his cell phone.

August 6

7:59 - 8:20 a.m., 700 block Royal, theft. Unknown subject removed items without consent. Report.

August 7

11:53 a.m. - 1 p.m., Park Drive, unattended death.

12:35 - 12:50 a.m., 100 block Rock Creek road, suspicious vehicle. A vehicle was parked with its lights off in front of complainant's residence. Upon arrival the vehicle in question had already left the area. Clear.

8:25 - 8:35 p.m., Baines and Santa Maria area, sick fox. While patrolling I saw a sick or wounded fox. The animal was destroyed. Clear.

August 8

12:17 a.m. - 1:28 p.m., FM 2268, unattended

death..

4:45 - 5:10 p.m., 3000 block of Chisholm Trail, found animal. When the complainant came home from work she found a large black dog in her yard. The dog had tags. The owner was notified and was en route to get his dog. Clear.

5:50 - 6:10 p.m., Brookshire Brothers parking lot, welfare concern/suspicious person. Motorist advised dispatch that there was a white male approximately 70 years old riding a bicycle through the parking lot. Arrived on scene. Unable to locate. Clear.

6:55 - 7:10 p.m., 1900 block of Chisholm Trail, residential alarm. Inside dogs set off the alarm. Clear.

August 9

11:20 - 11:45 p.m., Sonic, suspicious person/welfare concern. White female was walking her way to Austin. She was given a ride to the south bound rest area. Clear.

August 10

8:55 - 9:10 a.m., Salado Plaza at North Main. Caller was concerned for the safety of a white male walking on the roadway. Clear.

12:27 - 12:33 a.m., 286 north bound. Tractor trailer ran out of fuel and was partially blocking the road. Clear.

12:57 a.m. - 1:13 p.m., 800 North Main. Crash. Notified of a car crash in the parking lot of Horsefeathers. Upon arrival both parties had exchanged information and did not want a report. Clear.

1:21 - 1:40 p.m., 280 north bound, agency assist. DPS troopers were busy with heavy call volume and asked that P.D. remove debris from roadway. Unable to locate upon arrival. Clear.

7:32 - 7:49 p.m., 1700 block of Guess Drive, Shots Fired. Heard only. Complainant states apparent rifle fire in area. Area checked and shots found to be coming from address on Spotted Horse, outside of city limits. Subjects were skeet shooting in a safe manner. Complainant was advised of situation. Clear.

8:03 - 8:13 p.m., 1300 block of Indian Trail, found animal. Small black and white male bulldog found in garage. Animal has tags and complainant has left message with Veterinary office to attempt to locate owner. Complainant will keep animal until Monday. Clear.

August 11

2:33 - 4:01 a.m., 286 southbound I-35, assist other agency. Crash. Originally dispatched as 282 south bound to Salado Volunteer Fire Department. One vehicle, blocking, no occupants on scene. Vehicle was found blocking left lane north of Salado and south of Belton by passerby. Arrived on scene to provide

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traffic control due to immediate hazard of blocking vehicle. No occupant found in area, vehicle had been abandoned. No signs of traumatic injury in or around the vehicle. SVFD and Belton EMS arrived on scene for further assistance. While on scene, a SVFD firefighter requested law enforcement to the 5400 block of FM 2484 for an intoxicated subject involved in a crash. Left I-35 to assist. Arrived on scene to find subject was involved in a second crash at this location, and was not the driver for the original crash. Second trooper was dispatched. Continued to assist at both scenes until vehicles were removed. Property owner for the address damaged on 2484 was located and the information was passed on to DPS. Operator for the 2484 crash was given courtesy ride to address on Salado Springs Cr. Clear.

2:24 - 2:57 p.m., 285 northbound. Three vehicle crash occurred at 285 north bound, no injuries. Clear.

3:56 - 4 p.m., North Main Street. Made contact with homeless white male. Stated he is passing through town. Identified and released. Clear.

5:58 - 6:15 p.m., 100 block of North Robertson, Assist other Agency. Crash. Observed what appeared to be a disabled motorist on the side of the service road. Upon citizen contact, discovered subjects had been involved in minor crash near the 287 southbound in the city limits of Belton. Contacted Belton supervisor who requested blue forms be issued with a Belton P.D.

Salado Volunteer Fire Department Report Aug. 5-

August 5
5:37-5:58 p.m., FM3481 and FM2484. Unconscious driver. Vehicle partially in roadway, driver asleep, vehicle in drive and drivers foot on brake. Harker Heights arrived to take on patient. Traffic control provided. Patient transported to Section. 1 unit, 3 personnel.

August 6
7:48-8:13 p.m., Old Mill Road. Lift assist. Patient needed help getting from her car to home. No injuries. Clear. 1 unit, 2 personnel.

August
12:02-12:11 p.m., Park Drive. Death, CPR performed. Clear. 1 unit, 5 personnel.

4:51-5:57 p.m., Southbound I-35 at MM279. Possible 18 wheeler fire. Truck has blown turbo. Clear. 2 units, 6 personnel.

6:09-6:22 p.m., 16000 block of I-35. Difficulty breathing. S&W on scene, patient transported. Clear.

August 8
11:47-12:19 a.m., Pace Park Road. Patient states kidneys are shutting down. Arrived to find patient was confused. S&W arrived on scene and took over patient care. Transport refused. Clear. 1 unit, 3 personnel.

12:20-12:41 a.m., FM2268. Death, scene turned over to Salado PD. Clear. 1 unit, 2 personnel.

12:21-12:51 a.m., I-35 service road at FM2484. Driver, general medical issues. Care transferred to Belton FD Medic. Clear. 1 unit, 2 personnel.

2:42-3:40 p.m., Southbound I-35 between 282 and 286. Motor vehicle accident. No driver at scene, SPD blocked traffic till vehicle removed. Fire and EMS units cleared.

4:07-4:33 p.m., FM2484. Chest pain at S&W clinic. Patient with

event number for those involved. Insurance information was exchanged by both parties and blue forms were issued. Clear
11:18-11:32 p.m., 100 Block of Royal Street. Observed subject sleeping in abandoned, washed out structure behind the old Silver Spur Theater. Subject was advised he was trespassing. Subject packed his belongings and went to one of the rest areas for the night. Subject stated he was being helped by people from the Methodist Church and had two job interviews scheduled for this week. Subject was advised to stay at places that were open and well lit, not to camp on private property in town without permission. Clear.

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Sonny Jaramillo, Associate Philanthropy Director, spoke to the Ladies Auxiliary Aug. 8, discussing the wide range of services now offered at the McLane Scott and White Children's Hospital. The hospital opened October 4, 2011 and has had 3028 admissions since then and 25,000 emergency visits. At this pace they are rapidly outgrowing the current facilities, Jaramillo stated. Patients are received from all over the nation as well as the world. He reported the last Children's Miracle Network for central Texas raised close to a million dollars. All money raised locally stays with the local facility. Security at the facility is strong. Individuals have to present a valid identification as they enter the hospital and it is scanned with the state's data base to search for predators or felons. Jaramillo offered to give group tours to the facility. Following his presentation Dorothy Dentry, Vice President of Ladies Auxiliary, presented Jaramillo a \$100 check.

Junior League meets with prospective members

A Prospective Member Meeting of the Junior League of Bell County will be held 6 p.m. Aug. 20 at Starbucks in Belton.

The JLBC is currently accepting names of women interested in learning more about the Junior League of Bell County. The New Member Orientation has been scheduled for Sept. 9 and will be taking place at Second Hand Rose in Temple.

For more information, email membership-info@jlbello.org.

Several times a year, the Junior League of Bell County hosts a Prospective Member Meeting for women interested in membership in the organization. This is a chance for prospective members to get acquainted with cur-

rent members of the JLBC, to learn about the projects, services, and fundraisers in which we participate, and to meet and socialize with those who may be joining the JLBC. Current board members, active members and recent new members will be available for questions. The Junior League of Bell County does not require sponsorship to become a member.

All women of the community are welcome to submit names of potential members to membership-info@jlbello.org or to the Junior League of Bell County, Second Hand Rose, 17 East Central Avenue, Temple, TX, 76501.

For more information, visit the website at jlbello.org.

Coping with Alzheimer's 1 in 3 face dementia

Recent reports show that one in three seniors dies with a form of dementia, and in Texas alone, 1,294,000 people care for a loved one with dementia. Many in our community are struggling with the challenges of caregiving, but help is available.

The Alzheimer's Association Capital of Texas Chapter is offering a free class on "Coping with Alzheimer's," which will provide guidance on how families can meet these challenges. The class will meet over lunch at the

Harris Community Center, 401 n. Alexander St. in Belton, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Sept. 5.

It will cover such topics as: assembling a care team, coping with grief, managing changing family roles, disease stages, tips for communicating and managing behaviors, and how to access community resources.

Lunch is free but registration is required. Call (512) 241-0420 or email txprograms@txalz.org to reserve your spot.

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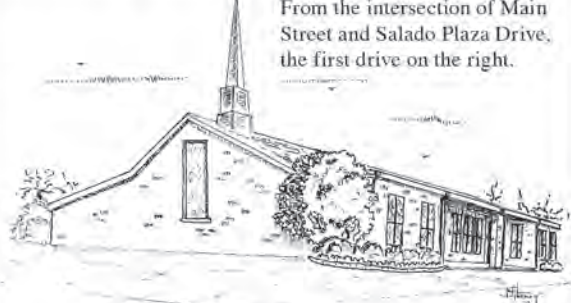
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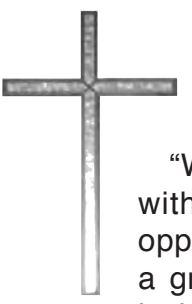
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EVA COBB EVANS

Visitation for Eva Cobb Evans, 90, of Salado, were held Aug. 11, at Broecker Funeral Home. Burial was held Aug. 12, at Poynor Community Cemetery, Poynor, Texas.

Eva Cobb Evans died at her home August 8, 2013. She was born in Larue, Texas, October 27, 1922 to Jerry G. Cobb and Ella A. Cantrell.

She married Snub Ev-

ans in Jacksonville, Texas in 1941. Together they raised two children, mostly while living in Cleveland, Texas. At the passing of Snub, she decided to move to Salado to be near her children. She was a homemaker all her life.

She moved to Salado in 1989 after the passing of her husband to be near her

children. She was an active member of the Church of Christ, Salado.

Mrs. Evans is preceded in death by her parents, 4 brothers and 4 sisters.

She is survived by her son David and wife Marion, here daughter Lynda Taylor and husband Jay, a grandson and three step-grandchildren and 12

step-great grandchildren plus numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, make donations to the Salado Public Library - Children's Section at Salado, 76571.

Services are in the care of Broecker Funeral Home, Salado.

JULIE CATHERINE ANDING BAYLESS



Julie Catherine Anding Bayless was born August 8, 1925 in her family home in Falls County, near Rosebud, Texas. She slipped peacefully away on Aug. 7, 2013. She graduated from Mary Hardin Baylor College in 1945 and began her teaching career in the Rio Grande Valley. Fluent in Spanish, she attended graduate school at the University of Texas, pursuing a Master's degree in Latin American Studies.

She continued her teaching career in Big Lake, where she would meet the love of her life, Wayne W. Bayless, Jr. of Oklahoma City, a veteran of World War II and petroleum engineer. They started married life in 1953 in a small home in Hobbs, New Mexico.

Even as a girl, she had a keen curiosity in the wider world and a desire to travel and while a graduate student, applied for a foreign posting with the U.S. State Department. Shortly after her marriage, she received her letter of acceptance, which she had to decline, and imagined her dreams of seeing the world would remain just that. Not long after, a company assignment took Wayne and Julie to Venezuela, the first of a lifetime of postings abroad that included Mexico, Columbia, Argentina, Algeria, Australia, Mallorca, Egypt, Malta and England. She would often muse with her children, when urging them to keep the faith, that dreams do come true, just not in the way we may imagine.

They resided for many years in Bath, England before retiring to Salado, Texas in 1992, a return to her roots as a seventh-generation Texan.

She was an extraordinary woman of the greatest generation, living through the Depression and World War II. She had a keen intellect and was a deep thinker - a voracious reader with an abiding curiosity in the world that continued to her last breath. She had a fine appreciation for the beauty in life and in all her travels, created an elegant home wherever she was, whether it was in a jungle camp on the Equator or her home in England. She was a hostess par excellence, a gourmet chef and loved nothing more than a lively dinner party with good food and company, most especially when it was with her family.

She was born with a critic's eye and understanding of art, which she collected throughout her life for the sheer joy of its beauty. In addition to Spanish, she was fluent in French and the cultures of the countries she lived in. She was a witty raconteur, loved to dance and laugh, and carried herself with a great sense of style and high sartorial standards.

But her greatest joy and accomplishment was her family, which she loved, prodded, consoled and counseled until her last. She was fiercely proud of her grandchildren, appreciating their individuality, encouraging them, and loving them unconditionally.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Wayne W. Bayless, Jr.; her parents Cornelius Moore and Leila Mae Anding and sister Bette Anding Geyer. She is survived by her brother C.M. Anding and wife Frances; children Natalie Bayless and Joe Root, of North Carolina; Wayne W. Bayless III, of Salado; Maureen and Walter Balleza, of Galveston; Blanche and Andrew Sibbald, of London; and grandchildren Paul M. Dubbeling, Justin and Julia Balleza, Elliott Bayless and Emma, Katie, Ben and Rosie Sibbald; as well as her beloved nieces and nephew and many friends in the community. And a special thanks to Vera and Ernest Miner and their family for the love and support they provided to her in Salado.

Viewing was held from 5 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, August 13 at Broecker Funeral Home in Salado. Following a memorial service at the funeral home at August 14, there was a procession and graveside interment in Salado cemetery.

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10:00 am Sunday School—all ages (Main Bldg)
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Wednesday (August 21)
5:15 pm Fellowship Meal
6:00 pm Adult Study (Room 101) - Resumes September 4th
6:00-7:00 pm M & M Kids
6:00-7:30 pm Wednesday Night Live Youth Program (YAC)

Scott & White Bloodmobile will be on August 21st from 5-7 pm.
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10:30 a.m. Worship Service	6 p.m. Childrens and Youth Activities*
	7 p.m. Choir Practice

* Contact church office for children's and youth activities schedule

Community group studies Romans this fall

The Temple-Belton Community Bible Study (CBS) adult evening class is registering members for a 30-week study of Romans.

CBS is an interdenominational Bible study for men and women of all backgrounds who are interested in an in-depth weekly study of God's Word. Beginning Sept. 9, the class will meet weekly from 7:30-9 p.m. on Mondays in the small sanctuary of First Baptist Church of Belton, Sixth and Main streets in Belton

The class is open to all adults. Individuals may choose to participate in core groups for young adults, men, women, or married couples.

Each week, participants receive a reading commentary on the previous week's topic and a set of questions to work on each day covering the next week's reading. These questions are discussed in small groups of about fifteen. Following the small groups there is a short teaching over the same section of Scripture.

The class will break for Christmas and spring vacations and finish at the end of April 2014.

To register or to obtain additional information contact the class coordinator at (254) 773-1842 in Temple or the class associate teaching director at (254) 526-9128 in Killeen.

Wall named to WSU dean's honor roll

Scott W Walls of Wichita, KS was one of more than 2,000 students who were named to the WSU dean's honor roll for spring 2013.

To be included on the dean's honor roll, a student must be enrolled full time (at least 12 credit hours) and earn at least a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

He is the son of Jim and Carol Walls of Salado.

He will be a teaching assistant and enrolled for his masters in Sociology this fall at WSU.

Grace Baptist holds Back to School Penny Sale Aug. 24

Grace Baptist Church will host a "Penny Sale" in the fellowship hall 8 a.m. -1 p.m. Aug. 24.

Everyone in the community is invited to fill their bags with gently used clothing and shoes for only a penny per item.

This is an effort to help the Salado students going back to school.

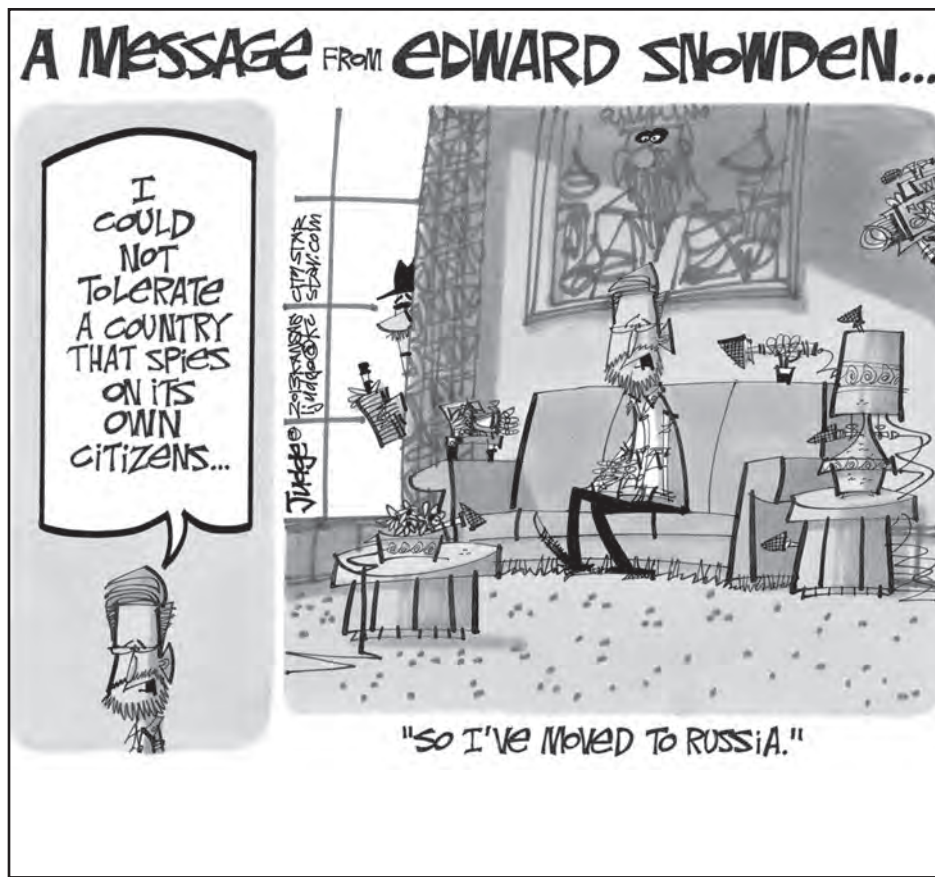
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Reforming the Prison-Industrial Complex

Prison is one of the most important institutions in American life. About a quarter of all the world's prisoners are behind bars in the United States, a total of roughly 2 million people. It costs about \$60 billion a year to imprison them.

This vast prison-industrial complex has succeeded in reducing crime but is a blunt instrument. Prison stays often constitute a graduate seminar in crime, and at the very least, the system does a poor job preparing prisoners to return to the real world. Since 95 percent of prisoners will eventually be released, this is not a minor problem.

In an essay in the journal *National Affairs*, Eli Lehrer sets out an agenda for reform geared toward rehabilitation, and the conservative group Right on Crime advocates a similar program.

Most fundamentally, prisoners should be required to do what many of them have never done before, namely an honest day's work. Fewer than a third of offenders hold full-time jobs at the time of their arrest, according to Lehrer. They won't acquire a work ethic in prison. University of Pennsylvania Law School professor Stephanos Bibas notes that only about 8 percent of prisoners work

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in prison industries, and about 4 percent on prison farms.

Labor unions and businesses have long supported restrictions on productive work by prisoners for fear of cheap competition, but their self-interested concerns shouldn't obstruct attempts to instill the most basic American norm in people desperately in need of it. Prisoners should be made to work, but be paid for it and rewarded if they are particularly diligent and skilled. As Bibas argues, some of the proceeds can go to restitution for victims, to paying for their own upkeep, and to support for their families.

Lehrer notes that about 40 percent of ex-prisoners are rearrested within three years. The goal should be to reduce recidivism as much as possible. Offenders shouldn't be discharged without a photo ID. In the job market, they shouldn't be denied occupational licenses when the job in question has nothing to do with their crime. They should, if their crime wasn't too serious, eventually have it expunged from the records for most purposes.

Ex-inmates out on parole or on probation should be monitored more closely. As Lehrer writes, "Transition programs should increasingly involve random, unannounced home visits, subject ex-offenders to round-the-clock electronic monitoring, require them to take random drug tests, and offer them swift and certain punishment for slip-ups."

Playing against type, hang-em-high Texas has been a model of prison reform and innovative re-entry programs. It has sent fewer people to prison, while crime has continued to decline in the state. It has funded more slots for treatment for substance abuse and mental illness, and increased the use of drug courts, creating alternatives to prison. It has strengthened supervision of probationers and parolees, by reducing caseloads for officers and fashioning a system of swift and certain sanctions for violations.

We have proved that we can lock a lot of people up. The challenge now is if we can do it more humanely and intelligently and, ultimately, create less work for the prison-industrial complex.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review. © 2013 by King Features Synd., Inc.

The Border-Industrial Complex

War profiteers have spied a new place they can militarize with their high-tech, high-cost weaponry.



Jim Hightower

At last, both Republicans and Democrats are beginning to respond aggressively to economic needs. "It has been a tough time," admits one Washington insider, applauding a new spending proposal that "could help out."

Unfortunately, he and Congress aren't referring to your tough times. No, no — they're rushing to the aid of the multi-billion-dollar Military-Industrial Complex.

The government, you see, hasn't been getting our nation into enough wars to satisfy the insatiable appetite of Northrop Grumman and its ilk for government money. So

those war profiteers have spied a new place they can militarize with their high-tech, high-cost weaponry: The U.S.-Mexican border.

These corporate predators are deploying an army of lobbyists to Congress to target what they see as a booming market. "Border security!" is their battle cry.

These profiteers have already stuffed the Senate's immigration bill with \$46 billion for more militarization of the 2,000-mile border. More drones! More electronic gadgetry! More agents needing more weapons! More war toys! There's no shortage of opportunities on our southern border.

A platoon of corporate lobbyists embedded their specific wish lists directly in the Senate bill, mandating brand-name purchases. For example, the bill requires the Border Patrol to buy six airborne radar systems from Northrop at \$9.3 million each and 15 Black Hawk helicopters from Sikorsky at \$17 million apiece.

What we have here is the emergence of a new hybrid monster: a Border-Industrial Complex pushing a permanent, ever-expanding border war.

How long before they use the cry of "terrorism!" to militarize the Canadian border, too? And after that, my guess is they'll want to seal off those pesky anti-war radicals in places like Vermont.

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Aransas Project v. Shaw case may endanger state sovereignty by Fifth Circuit Court determining the fate of Texas' water supply

By JOSIAH NEELEY

The fate of Texas' water supply may soon be decided in New Orleans. On August 8, the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals heard oral arguments in The Aransas Project v. Shaw, a case with potentially profound implications for Texas' ability to meet its growing water needs.

Shaw involves a claim brought by a group of private environmentalists that water management policies by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality had resulted in the deaths of 23 federally protected whooping cranes in the Aransas Bay area.

In March, federal district court judge Janis Jack ruled that TCEQ's action had violated the Endangered Species Act, and ordered an immediate halt to new water permitting in the Guadalupe and San Antonio River basins. Her aggressive ruling dictated an amount of freshwater inflows to the Bay that would require curtailing long-held water rights. The Fifth Circuit quickly granted a stay of the district court's decision pending appeal, but the court's order now hangs like the Sword of Damocles over Texas' long term water planning. If the district court's decision is upheld, it would moot most of the water projects listed in Region L of the State Water Plan (which includes San Antonio). And an adverse decision would raise the prospect that other endangered species actions could thwart water projects throughout the state.

The factual basis of the district court's decision is scientifically questionable. Of the 23 claimed bird deaths at issue in the case, only four were based on discovered carcasses. The other 19 deaths were estimated by comparing bird sightings in 2008-2009 to numbers from previous years, and assuming that any reduction was due to death. Missing, however, is not the same as dead, and 17 of the supposedly

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dead birds reappeared the following year. Such methodological flaws may explain why the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service had not determined that the whooping cranes' habitat had been taken in violation of the ESA and why the Service, most unusually, was not involved in this litigation against the state of Texas.

Even in the few cases of verified deaths, it is not clear that TCEQ's water management policies are truly responsible. The court's decision relied on

a long chain of causation, whereby TCEQ policies affected a population of crabs which the whooping cranes used as a food source. Yet according to a report by Dr. Lee Wilson, published by the Texas Public Policy Foundation, this connection is at best questionable. To the extent that a lack of water harmed the crane population, this was due more to extreme drought conditions in the Crane's habitat than to any TCEQ action.

Perhaps what is most striking about the case are the implications for federalism. The district court's decision sundered the state's

long-recognized authority to allocate the water within its borders for beneficial human use - without federal interference. Such a primary state authority is recognized in most federal laws but not in the ESA.

The Constitution, however, does recognize protections for state authority, protections that the court has largely disregarded in this case. In Printz v. United States, the Supreme Court held that it is unconstitutional for the federal government to "commandeer" state officials by requiring them to enforce federal law. The district court's decision,

however, requires exactly that. If not overturned, Texas would be forced to manage the state water according to federal dictates, rather than according to state law. This represents a clear violation of the protections for state sovereignty contained in the Tenth Amendment.

Protecting endangered species like the whooping crane is important. And in fact the crane population and occupied habitat around Aransas Bay is increasing. Long experience, however, has shown that government efforts to protect endangered species only work when they

have the support of localities, and land owners. By pitting state and federal government against each other, the district court's decision almost ensures that the only result will be to harm Texans without appreciably helping the endangered whooping cranes. That's unfortunate, because efforts to protect the whooping crane need not and should not endanger the continued prosperity of Texas.

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relayed vitals to S&W medic who were en route. Patient transported to S&W by S&W medic. Clear. 1 unit, 1 personnel.

August 9
 10:25-10:58 a.m., Mackie Drive. Fall, found patient conscious. S&W arrived on scene and care transferred. Transported to S&W. 2 units, 3 personnel.
 5:09-5:30 p.m., FM 2484 and I-35 overpass. Motor vehicle collision. One driver treated, S&W arrived on scene and care was transferred. Transported to S&W. 2 units, 2 personnel.
 9:23-9:45 p.m., Mill Creek and South Ridge. Light pole down. Oncor pole down on Mill Creek Lane, no danger of fire found. Clear.
 10:10-10:36 p.m., Old Mill Drive, Medical, S&W EMS took over patient care. 1 unit, 4 personnel.

August 10
 1:37-1:44 p.m., Northbound I-35 at MM 278. Motor Vehicle Accident. Vehicle in ditch, all occupants out of vehicle. Patients denied any pain. Turned over to S&W EMS. Transport denied. 2 units, 4 personnel.
 3:57-3:59 p.m., North Bound I-35 at MM 282. Third party call concerning skydiver down. None found, contacted Skydive Temple and all were accounted for. Cleared, 5 EMS personnel.
 8:25-9:13 p.m., Hackberry and Goosneek. Grass fire (Lightning), Fire found on Lindeman Road, Bartlett area. Bartlett FD on scene, SVFD established command on fire and extinguished. Bartlett released, SVFD mopped up hot spots till all units cleared. 5 units, 9 personnel.

Kick off your boots for Salado Education Foundation

The Salado Education Foundation is asking for donations of children's used boots or hats. They will use them as centerpieces at the Cattleman's Ball in October.

"We are not worried about how used or new the boots are nor the color," said Kristi Jarvis with the Education Foundation. "We prefer children's boots, not adult boots and we will not be returning the donated boots or hats."

The donated items will be given to other children in need or reused for next year's event.

The boot sizes they are asking for are Youth size 13 to Adult size 5.

Anyone willing to donate boots or hats can do so at the elementary school or they can call Kim Kyburz at 254-718-3160.

The Cattlemen's Ball is the chief fund raiser for the Education Foundation and provides scholarships to Salado seniors and grants to teachers.



Tommy Barker participated in his fourth Dallas Cowboys Youth Football Camp. This year the Dallas Cowboys Youth Football Camp held at Frisco Texas, Tommy Barker earned the Coaches Award for outstanding Defensive Play and Offensive Tight End.

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Central Texas Area Museum Auction Aug. 17

The Central Texas Area Museum is offering a selection of fine art for auction during a fund-raising event Aug. 17. The event will fund repairs to the historic Grange Building that houses the Central Texas Area Museum.

Upgrades to electrical wiring and air conditioning will keep the century-old building an inviting place for visitors as well and improving the protection and display of the artifacts in the CTAM collection. The museum is also the new home of the Salado Historical Society artifacts.

Among the items up for auction are a bronze sculpture by Ronnie Wells, an original landscape painting by Salado artist B. Herd, a folk art stagecoach sculpture by the late Wilbur Foster, a longhorn chandelier by Charles Allen that hung in The Mansion, and an over and under shotgun commemorating the 50th anniversary of Ducks Unlimited that has never been breached.

Wells is one of the nation's premiere wildlife artists as a painter and sculptor. From his gallery on Main street in Salado

he has become one of North America's top monumental bronze sculptors. His seven foot piece of two mallards landing can be viewed at the Ducks Unlimited corporate headquarters in Memphis, Tennessee.

Herd is a Salado artist known for his vivid landscape paintings. His attention to detail has made the 'B. Herd Style' a favorite of collectors.

Foster was honored last year with a special showing of stagecoaches and wagons he had created. He often donated his sculptures to organizations in Salado needing funds. The coaches are fine examples of American folk art.

The vintage horn chandelier was created for the Salado Mansion years ago by Allen. The current owners of the Tyler House have donated this one of a kind piece to the museum auction.

Wine and cheese will be served at 5 p.m. with the live auction beginning at 5:45 p.m. Aug. 17. Phone bids and sealed bids will be accepted any time until items are put up for bid, by calling 254-947-



A variety of fine and folk art will be for sale during the Central Texas Area Museum Auction this weekend.

5232 or 512-484-5392.

All auction items are available for preview at the museum beginning at 10 a.m. on Aug. 17. Bids on the silent auction items may be made at any time during the preview until 6:30 P.M. Winners of the silent auction items will be announced following the

live auction.

Tickets for the event are \$25 and are available at the Central Texas Area Museum. To reserve a ticket via phone call 254-947-5232. Pre-registration is preferred but not required.

Sweet tooth puts backpacks on kids at Salado



Salado United Methodist Women raised money for 60 new backpacks that will go to Salado ISD students. The old fashioned ice cream social included gourmet hamburgers and Blue Bell ice cream with all the trimmings. Stefanie Fix performed music and a silent auction raised funds as well. The backpack program coordinates with the Salado Family Relief Fund, which gives \$40 gift cards to Staples for back to school supplies. The program has identified 100 students who will benefit this school year.



Jenny Haskins Touch of Magic Tour, Sew and Quilt Show was held Aug 9-10 at The Venue by Inn on the Creek. The room was packed with participants of all ages embroidering and learning the techniques to work with the Janome sewing machines. Deborah Schulz of College Station and Sara Byman of Burton displayed embroidery on bottle wraps and hand towels and the creation of three dimensional tulle flower decorations. Anna Marie Ming from Belton showed the absolute hand-free embroidery. PHOTOS BY MARILYN FLEISCHER

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Village of Salado Calendar of Events

iMONDAYS

Salado Masonic Lodge #296 practice, 6:30 p.m. at the Lodge 90 N. Church St.

MONDAYS

Children's Story Time at The Salado Public Library, 11-11:45 a.m.

MONDAYS

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

FIRST MONDAY

Salado Athletic Booster Club meeting, 7 p.m. in the Salado High School Library.

TUESDAYS

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

TUESDAYS

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

TUESDAYS

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

TUESDAYS

Sit & Knit Session at The Salado Yarn Co. inside The Shoppes on Main, 22 N Main join fellow knitters for casual knitting. 10 - Noon. saladoyarn@gmail.com

TUESDAYS

Prix Fixe menu at The Range. Two courses and adult beverage for \$14.95. Terrific for Date Night! Offerings change weekly. Find The Range on Facebook to see this week's menu or call 254-947-3828.

FIRST WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAYS

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

FRIDAYS

Al-Anon Meeting, 12 noon, at United Methodist Church (650 Royal Street) in the Youth Activities Building in the back to the left of the church. Newcomers and seasoned Al-Anons are encouraged to visit.

FIRST SATURDAY

Sit & Knit Session at The Salado Yarn Co. inside The Shoppes on Main, 22 N Main join fellow knitters for casual knitting. 10 - Noon. saladoyarn@gmail.com

SECOND SALADO

SATURDAYS

It's like a block party for the whole Village! Shops will be open late and offering specials and treats to local shoppers. Enjoy snacks and beverages and other special Saturday-only events in the shops of Salado! Look throughout the Salado Village Voice newspaper for shops advertising their specials.

SATURDAYS

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

SATURDAYS

Live Music at Rising Star Vineyards. 7-9:30 p.m.

SATURDAYS

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

SATURDAYS

Jazz on the Creek, 9-11 p.m. at Alexander's Distillery at Inn on the Creek, with Kat Kalliski and Nelda Milligan.

SUNDAYS

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

back.

THRU AUGUST 30

Registration for Mission Field's Fall Baseball League. Daily 7 - 6 at The Play Yard on South I-35. Evening registration opportunity 6-8 p.m. August 20 and 27. (254) 833-4853 for info.

AUGUST 15

Salado Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meeting, 8:30 a.m. at the Salado Visitor's Center on Main St.

AUGUST 15

Salado High School class schedule pickup Sophomores 9 - 11 a.m. and Freshmen 1 - 3 p.m., students must bring completed information packet to receive a schedule.

AUGUST 15

Village of Salado Board of Aldermen meeting, 6 p.m., Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd. Open meeting.

AUGUST 15

Feast of St. Mary at St. Joseph's Episcopal Church, 6:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist followed with a festival dinner. Special music will be presented.

AUGUST 19

Salado ISD Board of Trustees meeting, 6 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center. Meeting is open to the public.

AUGUST 19

Salado Masonic Lodge stated meeting, 7:30 p.m. at the Lodge Hall, S. Church St.

AUGUST 17 & 18

Salado Winery Harvest of the Grapes at the vineyard, 21724 Hill Road. Volunteers are invited to join in the harvest of Merlot and Sangiovese grapes, 7-11 a.m. Kids welcome. Wear a hat, sunscreen, bug spray and sturdy shoes. Information and updates available at saladowinery.com.

AUGUST 17

Live auction to benefit the Central Texas Area Museum, 5 - 7 p.m. at the museum. Proceeds will fund repairs and up-grades to the museum building. Fine art, sculpture and other one of a kind items by renowned Salado artists. Reservation required.

AUGUST 17

Paul Cox upstairs in The Lounge at The Range Restaurant, N. Main St. 7-10 p.m.



Gene Snow and Paula Reid perform August 31 at The Range Restaurant.

AUGUST 17

Dale Watson, 7 p.m. at Johnny's Outback. Tickets \$10. Info, tickets online at johnnysoutback.com.

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AUGUST 19

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AUGUST 21

Advertising deadline for the 4th quarter edition of Salado, Jewel in the Crown of Texas magazine. This edition will be on the stands October - December and include the Salado Christmas Stroll. Contact Marilyn to reserve your space before the deadline 254.947.5321 advertising@saladovillagevoice.com.

AUGUST 21-22

Salado High School Student schedule pickup day 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m., for students who were not able to make it to their assigned date. A completed student information packet is required for schedule pickup.

AUGUST 22

Salado ISD Meet the Teacher and Stash your Stuff events: 3:30-4:30 p.m. - Thomas Arnold Elementary, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. - Salado Intermediate, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. - Salado Junior High. Grades 5 - 8

will get class schedules and locker assignments at this time.

AUGUST 23

Salado ISD Health Fair and Blood Drive, 9 - 11 a.m. at Salado Intermediate School. Preregister for the Blood drive with Belia Rodriguez at 947-6903.

AUGUST 23

Meet and Greet The Range at Barton House's new Chef de Cuisine William Snider. For details, visit therangerestaurant.com.

AUGUST 24

Meet the Eagles, 6 p.m. at the Salado High School Gym. Community pep rally to kick off the 2013-2014 season. Come and meet new athletic director and head football coach Brent Graham, the new coaching staff and Salado Eagles football players. 7 p.m. Presentation of the UIL Lone Star Cup.

AUGUST 24

Brian Collins upstairs in The Lounge at The Range Restaurant, N. Main St. 7-10 p.m.

AUGUST 26

Salado ISD first day of classes. Be sure to check with your campus for start time.

AUGUST 28

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

AUGUST 31

Gene Snow and Paula Reid upstairs in The Lounge at The Range Restaurant, N. Main St. 7-10 p.m.

AUGUST 31

Gene Watson, 7 p.m. at Johnny's Outback. Tickets \$10. Info, tickets online at johnnysoutback.com.

SEPTEMBER 2

Salado ISD school holiday.

SEPTEMBER 4

Adult Craft Time at Salado Public Library, 10 a.m.-noon, library meeting room. Encaustic Art - abstract art work created by melting crayons on different materials. The previous class was so popular we decided to bring it back. The Library will provide materials; therefore, pre-registration is required.

SEPTEMBER 5

Chisholm Trail Woman's Association meeting, 6:15 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church Salado.

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Kat and Kristina perform 9 - 11 p.m. at The Shed, corner of Royal and Center Circle.

SEPTEMBER 7

Deryl Dodd, 7 p.m. at Johnny's Outback. Tickets \$10. Info, tickets online at johnnysoutback.com.

SEPTEMBER 10

Evening of Yoga and Wine, 6:45 p.m. at Salado Wine Seller on Main Street. \$15 per person or \$25 per couple.

SEPTEMBER 12

Texas Naturalist program at Salado Public Library meeting room, 2-5 p.m. The September program will feature Gil Eckrich, who will talk about creating gardens that attract birds.

SEPTEMBER 12

Area Council meeting of ABWA, 6 p.m. Church of Christ Activity building. Speaker: Barclay McCort, RN, MSN on Diabetes, RSVP to 947-5410.

SEPTEMBER 17

Daughters of the Republic of Texas, Salado chapter meeting, 11 a.m. at The Central Texas Area Museum. Officer installation prior to regular meeting. Public welcome.

SEPTEMBER 20

Farm to Table Dinner at The Range at the Barton House. More details on the way as Dave Hermann brings all Texas purveyors for a Texas-only event. Visit therangerestaurant.com for more information.

SEPTEMBER 20-22

Salado Chocolate & Wine Weekend.

SEPTEMBER 21

Death by Chocolate at Salado Public Library, 2-4 p.m. Enter the library's 4th annual Death by Chocolate Contest to be held during the annual Salado Wine and Chocolate Weekend. Adults and youths may enter any dish that contains chocolate. Dishes will be judged by a chef and then by the public. Prizes will be awarded. Contestants must fill out a contest entry form at the library to receive the contest instruction packet. There are 7 remaining places in the Adult Division and 8 remaining places in the Youth Division.

SEPTEMBER 21

Salado Athletic Booster Reverse Raffle at Tenroc Ranch. Details to be announced. Tickets available in August.

SEPTEMBER 21

Bleu Edmondson, 7 p.m. at Johnny's Outback. Tickets \$10. Info, tickets online at johnnysoutback.com.

SEPTEMBER 24

Story Telling in Tablerock's Woods (Elementary Schools)

SEPTEMBER 27

Salado Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament.



Salado Chocolate & Wine Weekend begins Sept. 20. The weekend offers a variety of activities across the Village. Wine and chocolate pairings, artisan chocolates, speciality menus and a cooking competition will highlight the weekends activities.

OCTOBER 4

Salado ISD end of grading period - noon release.

OCTOBER 5

Rajun Owen Memorial Team Roping at Wildfire Ranch Arena. All proceeds go towards a scholarship fund. Silent and Live auction at noon. Entries limited to 150 teams per roping. May enter two times in each roping. To enter, call Brit Owen at 254-947-5125 or email RajunOwenRoping@yahoo.com. Roping begins at 9 a.m. with a #12 no cap, followed by a #9 capped at a #5.

OCTOBER 5

Salado Youth Fair Boosters Reverse Raffle at Tenroc Ranch. More info to come.

OCTOBER 5-6

A Christmas Carol & Fright Trail Auditions

OCTOBER 11-12

Christmas in October at the Stagecoach Inn.

OCTOBER 12

Smokin Sneakers half marathon, 8 a.m., Salado's Pace Park. Sponsored by Salado Volunteer Fire Department. More information to come.

OCTOBER 14

Salado ISD school holiday.

OCTOBER 19

Annual Cattleman's Ball at Tenroc Ranch. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Benefits Salado Education Foundation. Details to come.

OCTOBER 25

James Bond Theme Night 6:30 p.m. at The Range at the Barton House. Black tie - Dinner, gaming and entertainment. Reservation required, purchase tickets at www.therangerestaurant.com.

OCTOBER 26-27

47th Annual Salado Art Fair at Pace Park.

OCTOBER 26-27

Fright Trail at Tablerock.

OCTOBER 27

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

NOVEMBER 2

Salado United Methodist Church Garden Guild 18th annual

luncheon and style show, 12:30 p.m. at the church, 650 Royal Street, Salado.

Fashions presented by hometown merchants, Christy's, Magnolias of Salado, and Sofie's, will be modeled by Salado ladies. Included will be beautiful styles for every body size and food guaranteed to make you crave seconds. Tickets are \$25 and may be purchased by calling the Church office at 254-947-5482. Funds raised will be used for Church and Community needs.

NOVEMBER 4

Salado Historical Society Fall Chili Supper, 6 p.m. Salado Church of Christ Activity Center. Bring salads, cornbread or dessert. Public welcome.

NOVEMBER 8-9

Third Annual Scotch Tasting and Scottish inspired menu at The Range Restaurant at the Barton House. More details to come.

NOVEMBER 8-10

52nd Annual Gathering of the Scottish Clans and Highland Games.

NOVEMBER 11

Salado ISD school holiday.

NOVEMBER 15

Salado ISD end of grading period - noon release.

NOVEMBER 27 - 29

Salado ISD Thanksgiving holiday.

DECEMBER 5

Christmas Stroll Parade, 5 p.m., Main Street.

DECEMBER 6-7

A Christmas Carol at Tablerock.

DECEMBER 6-8

Annual Christmas Stroll

DECEMBER 7

Recital featuring Carol Meyer Willingham and Jason Francis with proceeds to benefit Historic Salado College Park, 7 - 10 p.m. at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Douglas B. Willingham. Wine and hors d'oeuvres reception featuring the Karen Rigo combo. Reservations required 947-9248.

DECEMBER 13-14

A Christmas Carol at Tablerock.

DECEMBER 13-15

Salado Christmas Stroll.

DECEMBER 15

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

DECEMBER 23 - JAN 3

Salado ISD winter break.

JANUARY 17

Salado ISD end of grading period - noon release.

FEBRUARY 15

The 20th Annual Baylor Women's Scholarship Brunch, 9 a.m. at The Venue by Inn on the Creek. Speaker will be Alice Starr, wife of Baylor University President Kenneth Starr.

FEBRUARY 15

Baylor Women's Reunion, The Venue by Inn on the Creek, dinner at The Stagecoach Inn, Salado.

FEBRUARY 17

Salado ISD school holiday.

FEBRUARY 21

Antique Auction to benefit the programs of the Salado Ladies Auxiliary, 7 - 9 p.m. at Stagecoach Inn Conference Center.

FEBRUARY 22-23

Antique show hosted by the Salado Ladies Auxiliary, Sat 9-4 p.m. Sun 12-4 p.m. Salado Intermediate School.

FEBRUARY 23

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

FEBRUARY 28

Salado ISD end of grading period - noon release.

MARCH 10 - 17

Salado ISD spring break.

APRIL 6

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

APRIL 17 - 18

Salado ISD Easter break and end of grading period - noon release on Thursday.

MAY 26

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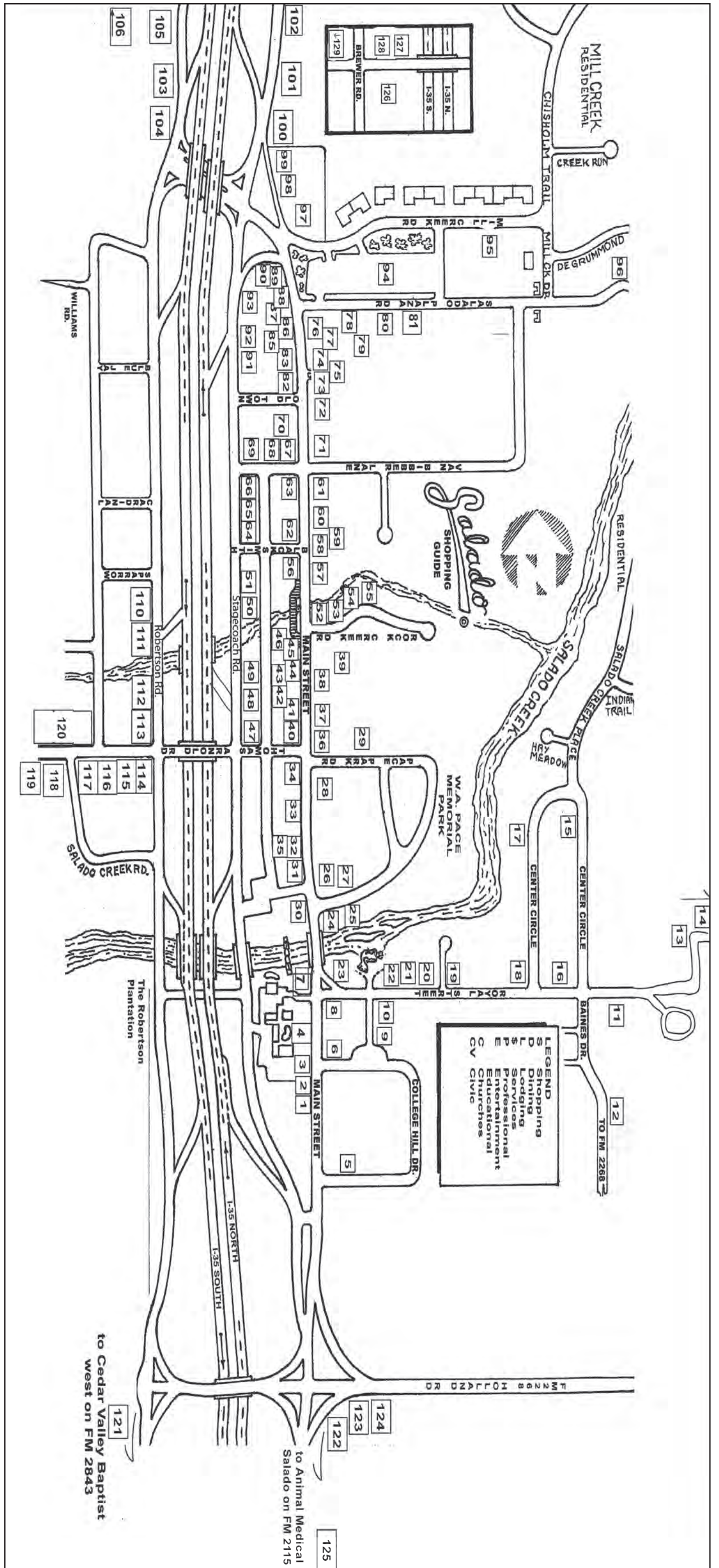
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- 5. Stone Creek Settlements 947-9099 L
888/777-8844
- 6. Central Texas Area Museum 947-5232 E
HISTORIC SALADO COLLEGE PARK
- 9. Salado Glassworks 947-0339 S
- 11. Tablerock Amphitheater 947-9205 E
- 13. Salado United Methodist Church 947-5482 C
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866/725-2367
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- 18. The Shed 947-1960 D
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- 21. Davis Art 254-421-1500 S
- 24. YOuphoria Day Spa & Salon 947-3772 \$
- 26. CREEKSIDE CENTER
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Susan Marie's 947-5239 S
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- 32. THE VERANDA
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- 37. Inn at Salado 947-0027 L
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Linda Rountree Pritchard-Egg 947-4263 P
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- 51. Salado Church of Christ 947-5241 CV
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- 54. Charlotte's of Salado 947-0240 S
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Mill Creek Cleaners 947-0100 \$
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- 98. Salado Cleaners 947-7299 \$
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- 103. Robertson's Hams 947-5562 D/S
- 104. Cowboys Bar-B-Q 947-5700 D
- 105. Salado Veterinary Hospital 947-8058 S
- 110. Bush's Chicken 947-0702 D
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Salado Intermediate 947-1700 E
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- 121. Cedar Valley Baptist Church 947-0148 C
- 122. Brooks Fine Western Wear 947-8860 S
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It pays to plan the play Contract Bridge By Steve Becker

A conscientious declarer starts the play of each hand with the feeling that if anything can go wrong, it will go wrong. He then attempts to guard against every type of misfortune he can think of.

So when South first views the dummy at four hearts, he takes the somber view that he could lose a spade, a heart and two clubs and go down one. He recognizes that he might not have to lose a trump trick, and that he will lose only one club trick if West has the ace, but he starts by assuming he will be unlucky on both counts.

His next step is to try to overcome this imagined bad lie of the cards. He notes that if the spades are favorably divided, he might be able to establish a spade winner to take care of one of his losing clubs, and that this possibility can be pursued without relinquishing his other chances for the contract.

Accordingly, he wins the diamond with the king and immediately leads a spade. West follows low, and East takes the jack with the king. Let's say East returns a diamond to the ace, whereupon South ruffs a low spade.

Declarer now cashes the A-K of trumps, discovering that he does in fact have to lose a trump trick, and then ruffs a diamond with dummy's ten. When he next trumps another low spade, West's ace falls, and the contract suddenly becomes secure. South later discards a club on the queen of spades and winds up losing only a spade, a heart and a club.

Note that if declarer ignores the spades at the outset and instead places his hopes on a favorable trump split or on finding West with the club ace, he goes down. The practice of seeking a way at the outset

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15x15 crossword grid with numbers 1-125 and black squares.

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

9x9 Sudoku grid with numbers 1-9 and empty boxes.

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.

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Olive oil for coating baking dish*

- 1 pound cornbread
- 1 (15 ounce) can vegetarian bean chili*
- 1 (15 ounce) can kidney or black beans, drained*
- 1 (12.5 ounce) jar medium salsa
- 1 1/2 cup shredded Mon-



terey Jack & Cheddar cheese*
3 scallions, sliced

Preheat oven to 350°F. Coat the inside of a 9-inch square baking dish with olive oil. Crumble half of the cornbread into the baking dish.

In a large bowl, combine the chili, beans and salsa. Spoon the chili mixture evenly over the cornbread. Crumble the remaining cornbread over the chili mixture. Sprinkle the top

with shredded cheese.

Bake in the top third of the oven for 30 minutes, until cheese is melted and top is golden brown. Allow to sit 5 to 10 minutes before serving.

Sprinkle sliced scallions on top and serve with a spinach salad.

610 calories (200 from fat), 22g total fat, 9g saturated fat, 55mg cholesterol, 1840mg sodium, 79g carbohydrate (8g dietary fiber, 22g sugar), 25g protein

SPRING PEAS AND SHRIMP STIR-FRY WITH GINGER-SOY GLAZE

This vibrantly colored stir-fry features shrimp with snow peas, sugar snap peas and green peas. The stir-frying goes quickly, so be sure to measure all of the ingredients before you start cooking. Serve with brown or white rice.

- 2 tablespoons soy sauce
- 1 tablespoon rice vinegar
- 5 tablespoons vegetable broth
- 2 teaspoons toasted sesame oil
- 1 tablespoon finely chopped ginger
- 1 pound extra-large shrimp, peeled and deveined, tails left on
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon sugar
- 2 tablespoons peanut oil, divided
- 1/2 pound snow peas, strings removed
- 1/4 pound sugar snap peas, stems snapped off, strings removed
- 1/4 cup green peas
- 2 cloves garlic, finely chopped



Make the ginger-soy glaze by combining soy sauce, rice vinegar, 1 tablespoon of the broth, sesame oil and 2 teaspoons of the ginger in a small bowl. Set glaze aside.

Toss the shrimp with the salt and sugar in a bowl. Heat a large wok or deep skillet over high heat. When hot, add 1 tablespoon of the peanut oil and swirl to coat the surface of wok. Add shrimp and cook, stirring frequently, until no longer translucent, about 2 minutes. Transfer shrimp to a plate and cover to keep warm.

Add the remaining 1 tablespoon peanut oil to wok. Add snow peas, sugar snap peas and green peas and cook, stirring frequently, for 2 minutes. Move vegetables to the sides of the wok, then add garlic and remaining 1

teaspoon ginger in the center and cook, stirring constantly, until fragrant, about 30 seconds. Return vegetables to center of wok and toss to combine. Add remaining 1/4 cup broth and simmer until peas are tender, 2 more minutes. Transfer contents of wok to a bowl.

Return shrimp to wok and add reserved glaze. Toss to combine. Cover the skillet and cook for 2 minutes. Return peas to the wok and toss everything together. Transfer to plates and serve immediately.

210 calories (70 from fat), 8g total fat, 1.5g saturated fat, 175mg cholesterol, 690mg sodium, 7g carbohydrate (2g dietary fiber, 4g sugar), 22g protein

PERUVIAN BEEF AND POTATO SOUP

This soup is quick to prepare and delicious, too. To spice it up, add chopped fresh chiles before serving.

- 1 pound ground beef
- 1 yellow onion, chopped
- 1 red bell pepper, cored, seeded and chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- 3 1/2 cups beef broth, preferably low-sodium
- 1 cup water
- 2 medium yukon gold potatoes, peeled and finely chopped
- 1 tablespoon ground cumin
- 1 bay leaf
- 1/4 pound dried capellini pasta
- Salt and pepper to taste



Cook beef in a large pot over medium heat until browned and cooked through. Remove from pot, set it aside and pour off all but 1 tablespoon of the fat. Add onion, bell pepper and garlic and cook over moderately high heat until softened, about 4 minutes. Add broth, water, potatoes, cumin and bay leaf. Bring to a simmer and cook for 10 minutes. Add pasta

and simmer until al dente, about 5 minutes. Return browned meat and cook until warmed through, about 1 minute. Discard bay leaf, taste and adjust seasoning with salt and pepper, and serve.

220 calories (120 from fat), 13g total fat, 5g saturated fat, 20mg cholesterol, 230mg sodium, 21g carbohydrate (4g dietary fiber, 8g sugar), 8g protein

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- 2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese

Bring a large pot of water to a boil. Add shells and cook 7 minutes. Add zucchini and



cook 2 minutes longer or until pasta is al dente and zucchini is just tender. Reserve 1/2 cup pasta cooking water, and then drain shells and zucchini well. Add shells and zucchini back to pot. Stir in pasta cooking water, pasta sauce packet and chicken and cook about 3 minutes over medium heat or until chicken

is heated through. Remove from heat and stir in ricotta until blended. Serve garnished with Parmesan.

310 calories (45 from fat), 5g total fat, 2g saturated fat, 40mg cholesterol, 690mg sodium, 42g carbohydrate (3g dietary fiber, 3g sugar), 28g protein

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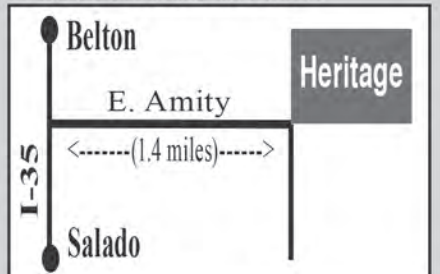


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The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$1.040000 /\$100(Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters	\$0.260000 /\$100(Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	% (increase) or	-1.200000% (decrease)
Debt service	% (increase) or	-5.900000% (decrease)
Total expenditures	% (increase) or	-1.725000% (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$770,309,924	\$794,997,597
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$20,275,586	\$9,115,180
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$655,163,511	\$676,889,310
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$14,106,269	\$8,907,467

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
 ** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.
 *** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness: \$32,440,525

* Outstanding principal

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$1.040000	\$0.260000*	\$1.300000	\$6,288	\$1,972
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$1.079340	\$0.266920*	\$1.346260	\$6,103	\$2,057
Proposed Rate	\$1.040000	\$0.259400*	\$1.299400	\$6,215	\$2,118

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$204,506	\$208,852
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$189,391	\$192,923
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.300000	\$1.299400
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$2,462.08	\$2,506.84
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes	\$0.00	\$44.76

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.301500. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.301500.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$3,416,380
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Dear EarthTalk: Some green groups are promoting the simple notion of sharing as a way to green communities and combat waste. Can you explain?
-- Becky Lipscomb, Centereach, NY

The convergence of environmental awareness and consumer culture has created a whole new movement today whereby sharing is cool. Indeed, some environmentalists view sharing as key to maintaining our quality of life and our sanity in an increasingly cluttered world. "Sharing is a relatively simple concept and a basic part of human life," reports Janelle Orsi on Shareable, an online magazine that tells the story of sharing. "What's new is that people are applying sharing in in-

novative and far-reaching ways, many of which require complex planning, new ways of thinking and organizing, and new technologies. In short, people are taking sharing to new levels, ranging from relatively simple applications of sharing to community-wide sharing initiatives—and beyond."

"In a shareable world, things like car sharing, clothing swaps, childcare coops, potlucks, and co-

housing make life more fun, green, and affordable," reports Shareable. "When we share, not only is a better life possible, but so is a better world."

The non-profit Freecycle Network, which runs a Craigslist-style website where people can list items they want to give away, pioneered using the Internet to facilitate diverting reusable goods from landfills when it launched back in

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2003. To date, more than nine million individuals across 5,000 different regions have used the group's freecycle.org website to find new homes for old items.

According to Share-

able, other examples such as Zipcar, Wikipedia, Kiva and Creative Commons show how successful sharing can be. "They show what's possible when we share. They show that we don't act merely for

our own good, but go out of our way to contribute to the common good. They show that we can solve the crises we face, and thrive as never before. They show that a new world is emerging where the more you share the more respect you get, and where life works because everyone helps each other."

Shareable and the Center for a New American Dream, a non-profit that highlights the connections between consumption, quality of life and the environment, have collaborated on the production of the new "Guide to Sharing," a free downloadable booklet loaded with practical ideas about exchanging stuff, time, skills and space. Some of the ideas

in the guide include: organizing a community swap; starting a local toy, seed or tool library; launching a skills exchange where community members can swap professional skills like carpentry or grant-writing; or setting up a food, transportation or gardening co-op. Some other sharing tips include car-sharing, gift circles, sharing backyard chickens with neighbors and launching a "free market" where people meet to trade skills and stuff.

For her part, Janelle Orsi envisions a future where public land is dedicated to community gardening, public libraries also lend tools, equipment and other goods, and city-wide bike sharing, carpooling and wifi programs

are all the rage. Orsi and others warn we had better get used to sharing, as it is here to stay.

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Fine living is defined throughout this elegant, upscale estate located in Salado in a private & secluded area of Mill Creek. Indulge yourself & escape to your very own resort like, award winning negative edge swimming pool. \$899,900 Call Ryan

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Absolutely amazing home built by David Foust Custom Homes. If you like to entertain and cook, this huge great room with entertainment center and kitchen with Viking appliance is a must see. \$649,900

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Approx 53 manicured acres makes this the perfect place to escape to. Well maintained home with updates. Amazing views! \$649,900

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Tuscan Style home offering the utmost in Salado luxury living. Open and Spacious Floor Plan with travertine and wood floors. Granite Counters throughout home including the Kitchen. Upgraded Energy Savings throughout home. \$629,900

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Are you looking for an elegant Texas Style home on acreage? Than look no further than this home on 11 acres with well designed interior including high ceilings, wood beams, solid wood floors, and stone accents. \$649,900 \$599,900

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NEW - David Foust Custom Homes delivers once again with this Elegant Tuscan Estate located in the prestigious Creeks of Salado. Features on this estate include: 1.26 Acre Estate with Large Live Oak Trees, Wrought Iron Front Door, Grand entry with high ceiling including custom ceiling treatment, circle driveway, and more. \$565,000. Call Ryan

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Large live oak trees welcome you into this beautiful stone home. Take a step in & enjoy the grand great room with high ceilings & top notch kitchen. 2011 Parade of Homes Builder's Choice Winner. Call Ryan \$499,900

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Come see this immaculate custom Austin home located on the golf course with tons of upgrades throughout to include travertine and wood floors, professional gas cooktop, wine cooler, granite counters, etc. \$479,900 -1324 Walker Circle

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Wide open spaces with 360 views of the Hill Country lies this private Texas style retreat. Features include great outdoor living, resort like swimming pool, large 40 X 60 barn, 2 car garage, high ceiling, game room, detached garage, etc. \$399,900

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Amazing home on 5 acres with outstanding 180 degree views of the Texas Hill Country! Open living with contemporary kitchen to include built in double refrigerator and tons of hard surface countertops. Living room boasts high ceilings and fireplace. \$399,900

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FANTASTIC Custom home on 3 fenced acres with several admirable Texas Live Oaks. Inviting covered porch areas both in front and back of the home for relaxing and entertaining. \$357,900 \$345,000

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Beautiful Home in Mill Creek with manicured yard. Open floor plan with good size kitchen including stainless steel appliances and granite counters. Great outdoor living including covered patio with fireplace and fenced backyard. \$349,900

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Wrap around porch makes this Tex style house a landmark for sure. Master bedroom is large and is downstairs, 3 comfortable bedrooms upstairs with a very spacious 2nd living area. \$355,000

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Move in ready home in Mill Creek Springs. 4 bedrooms plus a den or office space lots of room to entertain both inside and out. Large treed lot with great covered patio space for you to enjoy after cooling off in the pool. \$264,900

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Gorgeous contemporary home with modern updates throughout the home located hillside in Mill Creek. Spacious living room with high ceilings and fireplace. \$299,900

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This lovely home is "move-in" ready. All bedrooms are upstairs so, Mom, you can have company without making the kids beds! Located in one of Salado's best neighborhood's \$189,900

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This unique Texas style stone home has a dream kitchen open to the living area. Then, there is the steel building! \$224,600

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Move in ready home with split floor plan with updated kitchen appliance all on a great lot. \$179,900

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Pristine Texas Hill Country home on 2 acres with large trees and fenced in backyard. 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath, split floor plan, wood floors in living area and master bedroom. \$299,900

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Great location and gorgeous trees makes this brick home an excellent choice. Large rooms throughout and well maintained. \$234,900.

<p>COMMERCIAL 409 Salado Plaza. Great location for restaurant. \$249,900 REDUCED</p> <p>LOTS 4 lots Chelsea \$29,900 each Chisholm Trail- \$34,900 Estate lot Mackie \$89,900 Winners Circle \$55,000 Winners Circle \$93,000 Jack Nicklaus \$45,000 Great View in Mill Creek- 2 Lots for \$149,900</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Under 10 acres</p> <p>Heritage Lot - 1.3 acres w/ trees. \$49,900</p> <p>Hidden Springs: Lot 33 \$39,900 Lot 125, 2 acres \$34,900 Lot 243. 2.27 acres \$55,000 Lot 291. 5 acres \$49,900 Lot 313. 5 acres \$49,900 Lot 216. 5 acres \$45,000 Lot 259. 5.2 acres \$58,000</p> <p>Eagle Rock Lot 10. 2.5 acres \$34,900 ot 6 2.6 acres</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">ACREAGE</p> <p>10.00 Acres West-Bell County This is a very nice 10 acre wooded tract that is secluded \$83,900</p> <p>10.00 Acres unbelievable views \$99,900</p> <p>11.71 Rare large tract 11.7 acres in Hidden Springs with scattered trees and well onsite \$119,400</p> <p>44 Acres overlooking Stillhouse Lake. Great home sites 649,900</p> <p>Other Areas SOLD</p> <p>Bartlett 41.38 acres Productive blackland farm with small stock tank. \$132,000</p> <p>55.69 Acres with great views and trees. \$349,900 Salado</p> <p>87.79 Acres Milam County Beautiful rolling terrain with so many trees. 299,900</p> <p>122 Acres east of Salado. \$3,200 per acre</p> <p>226 Acres west of Troy \$565,740</p> <p>272 Acres Coryell. \$3,750 per acre</p> <p>369 Acres west of Salado. \$4,250 per acre</p> <p>494 Acres west of Salado. \$5,000 per acre</p> <p>3279 Acres Hamilton. \$1,950 per acre</p>
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