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Meet your newspaper staff

The *Salado Village Voice* newspaper has seen four decades of service to the Village of Salado.

During that time, the newspaper has always been a family affair, since its founding by Dayton Kelly in 1979. After Dayton's death, his sons Dennis and Bill operated the newspaper until the Fleischer family purchased the newspaper in 1988.

Salado Village Voice is locally owned and operated. "We are vested in Salado and invested in Salado," says publisher and editor-in-chief Tim Fleischer.

As we begin 2018, *Salado Village Voice* staffers would like to re-introduce themselves to the community they serve.

Salado Village Voice has a staff of four, including publishers Tim and Marilyn Fleischer.

Other staffers are Stephanie Hood, advertising composition and Royce Wiggin, office assistant.

In addition to individual awards by staff members, *Salado Village Voice* has been honored by the community and state. The newspaper was the first-ever Business of the Year, awarded in January 2003 by the Salado Chamber of Commerce.

For more than 25 years, *Salado Village Voice* has published *Salado: A Jewel in the Crown of Texas*, a quarterly magazine.

The newspaper also maintains an active website at www.saladovillagevoice.com and has electronic editions of the newspaper available for subscribers.

The newspaper joined the Texas Press Association in 2010.

Tim Fleischer

Tim Fleischer has been a newspaperman since he was 16, working for both weeklies and daily newspapers. "I got the Devil's Ink at an early age and haven't been able to get rid of it," he said of his 35 years in the newspaper industry.

For 30 years, he has been the editor of the *Salado Village Voice*.

But his love for Salado has been for more than three decades. "I came to Salado with my parents for the Art Fair and Gathering of the Clans when I was growing up in Coryell County," he said. "I drove through it every day on my way to run a small newspaper in Florence."

Tim and Marilyn Fleischer have published the newspaper since 1988. During that time, the newspaper has grown from an eight-page tabloid to



Salado Village Voice staff members are (from left) Tim Fleischer, Marilyn Fleischer, Stephanie Hood and Royce Wiggin. (PHOTO BY KATY MOORE)

a full-size broadsheet newspaper with four sections.

"We have grown with the community and are a reflection of it," he said.

In those years, the newspaper has won several awards from the Texas Community Newspaper Association, where *Salado Village Voice* competed against newspapers from San Antonio, Dallas, Houston, Austin and around the state.

Tim has won several TCNA awards: advertising design (third in state for large ad format and third in state for advertising series); editorial work (first in state for editorial writing, third in state for editorial writing, third in state for column writing) and second in state for community service (for articles during the incorporation election).

Fleischer has been named to the Texas Association of School Boards Media Honor Roll several times during his tenure at the helm of the newspaper, including the 2017 Honor Roll. Media are recommended and nominated for the Honor Roll by local school boards for their coverage of schools.

He has also served the community in a variety of capacities, including four different terms on the board of directors of the Salado Chamber of Commerce and six years on the board of directors of the Institute for Humanities at Salado.

He was president of the Salado Chamber of Commerce and treasurer for two

years of the Institute for Humanities at Salado.

Fleischer was Chairman of the Salado Chamber of Commerce in 2015.

He served a term on the inaugural board of the Salado Community Foundation. He was also on the first board that established the Mentoring program in Salado.

Tim is also a Mason and twice Past Master of the Salado Masonic Lodge #296. He served as District Deputy Grand Master for Masonic District #48 in 2011-12 and is the current Secretary for the Salado Lodge. He is the Lodge Flag Committee chairman.

He currently serves on the newly-created Pace Park advisory board for the Village of Salado.

He is known to grandson Nate Timothy Potter as DoDo (like the bird).

He and wife Marilyn share responsibilities at the newspaper. "She runs the office and makes the business decisions and I make editorial decisions," he said.

Marilyn Fleischer

Marilyn got the Devil's Ink in her blood after meeting Tim 31 years ago.

She is managing editor and advertising manager of *Salado Village Voice*.

She worked in the corporate world prior to the purchase of the *Salado Village Voice* in 1988.

She also owned and operated a business in the Killen/Copperas Cove area for several years while raising her

three children.

During their years in Salado, Marilyn has served the community in many ways.

"I think I have been most satisfied with my work with the Salado Family Relief Fund," she said. For her birthday in 2017, Marilyn asked her friends to contribute to the Salado Family Relief Fund, raising more than \$1,000.

In addition to her work to establish the Family Relief Fund, Marilyn has also been Art Fair chairperson for multiple years, and served three years as a Chamber of Commerce Director.

She served two three-year terms on the Salado Civic Center board of directors.

She was on the founding board of the Salado Community Foundation.

She has also won awards from the TCNA. She has twice been honored. She won second place for Best Feature Photo and second place for Community Service for her work with the Salado Family Relief Fund.

The Fleischers helped to establish what became known as the Public Arts League of Salado and the Salado Ambassador Program.

The Fleischers' children -- Royce Wiggin and Jenny Potter, both graduates of Salado High School -- have grown up in the eye of the community. Royce graduated in 2007, beginning in second grade in Salado schools. Jenny began her school career as a kindergartner at Thomas

Arnold Elementary School and graduated in 2009.

Marilyn welcomed her ninth grandchild to the world in 2015. Beren Crow Baggett was born on August 26, 2015.

Royce Wiggin

Royce Wiggin is one of those rare species: a native of Salado, born here on July 5, 1989.

His first home was the historic Levi Tenney House in Salado's Pace Park.

He has attended school in Salado since second grade graduating in 2007.

While in high school, he was a trumpet player in the Salado Eagle Marching Band.

He began work at the newspaper over the summer of his junior year in high school.

His responsibilities include photography and reporting, classified advertising, placing and rotating ads on pages, directing phone calls in the office, proof reading, typesetting and a myriad of other duties.

He is the son of Tim and Marilyn Fleischer, owners of the newspaper, and is glad to finally get paid for all the hours he spends at the newspaper office.

He attends Temple College while working full time at the newspaper.

Stephanie Hood

Stephanie is a hometown girl at heart and a third generation graduate who is raising a fourth generation of

Eagles.

"I am a country kid, I was 'raised here' as they say. The history of Salado and Bell county is intertwined with the history of my family. With that comes a certain respect for the old buildings, farms and the old timers who built the community we now call Salado."

"The creek was the favorite swimming hole when I was a kid and not just for Salado," she said. "The tree lined banks were the perfect place to find a cool retreat from the sun. You had to behave though, if you acted up your parents would get a phone call before you even thought about going home."

Stephanie joined the newspaper in 2006 as the composition person. With a background in photography and documentary style videography she excels at conveying ideas with concise images.

Stephanie is an active community volunteer, recently serving on the board of Salado Historical Society and the Public Art League of Salado. She also volunteers as a superintendent for the Bell County Youth Fair, coordinating judges and checking in entries for the annual event.

She enjoys spending time with her granddaughters Roselynn Rogers and Sarah Trujillo. "It is nice to have them close enough to spoil. I grew up with my cousins nearby and it is nice to see that kind of family connection continuing."

MCCA membership meeting Busy agenda awaits BoA

The annual Mill Creek Community Association general membership meeting and free dinner for Mill Creek residents will be held at 6 p.m. Jan. 20 at the Salado Museum on South Main St.

Reservations are required no later than Jan. 15 to Tommye Prater by calling her at 254-947-5823 or emailing her at tommyeprater@gmail.com or Maurine Nathanson by calling her at 254-947-4907 or emailing her at

moandlar@gmail.com.

MCCA is run by a volunteer board of residents. Projects in 2017 included these: maintaining Sherrill Park for community use; supporting Carol's Corner at Old Mill Road and South Ridge, supporting raised planting area at the Chisholm Trail low water bridge; hosting a community forum concerning the disannexation election; creating the new website mccasalado.org; creating a new resi-

dence package; sponsoring a free community-wide picnic at Sherrill Park in October; holding an annual meeting with free dinner for members; identifying a yard of the month and mailing notices of covenants violations.

Mill Creek Community Association invites all Mill Creek residents to become a member. Membership dues are \$30 per year per house, mailed to MCCA, PO Box 562, Salado, TX 76571.

Salado aldermen will meet 6:30 p.m. Jan. 4 at the Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd. with nine items for possible action.

- A proposed interlocal agreement with Salado ISD relating to the development and operation of a Salado Community Garden.

- Proposed professional services agreement with Terracon Consultants, Inc. to provide archeological monitoring services for certain

aspects of construction of the Salado wastewater project.

- Appointment of members to the Village of Salado wastewater impact fee advisory committee.

- Setting date for workshop session.

- A proposed interlocal agreement with Bell County relating to the provision of animal control services.

- Transferring management and operation of the Village of Salado municipal

court from Bell County Precinct 2 Justice of the Peace to the Village of Salado.

- Re-appointing Bell County Precinct 2 J.P. Donald Engleking as the Village of Salado Municipal Court Judge.

- Authorizing the establishment of an asset forfeiture bank account for the Village of Salado.

- Approving plans for the 2018 Sirena Fest and propose route for the 2018 Sirena Fest

FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



An unusual end to an unusual year

The Markets

In an unusual end to an unusual year, the S&P 500 Stock Index (SPX) declined 0.36% for the week, ending the year at 2673.61. It did manage to produce a rise of 1.19% for December, 6.12% for the fourth quarter, and 19.42% for 2017, so a bit of decline at the end can be easily forgiven. As good as the year was for U.S. stocks, the MSCI AC World Index, which excludes the U.S., did better with a 24% gain. Even that was put to shame by the MSCI Emerging Markets Index, up 35.53% for 2017. It was a good year to be invested in a diversified stock portfolio.

To put a little perspective on those impressive numbers, looking back five years, that same emerging markets index has only averaged 1.80% per year while the good old SPX has averaged 13.89%. Not all areas of the U.S. stock market did equally well as the NYSE Composite's five-year average was 9.1%.

Part of that exceptional rise in stock value this year came from the measure by which we figure such things, the U.S. dollar. In 2017 the Euro rose 14.1% against the dollar or conversely, the dollar fell 16.4%, ending the year with \$1.20 required to buy one Euro. That gave European assets and earnings owned by U.S. companies a 14% boost when measured in dollars. It also added 14% to the dollar-value of European stocks. While our national ego would like to see a strong dollar, a lower dollar makes U.S. goods and services less expensive to the rest of the world and increases the dollar value of overseas earnings. Oil was up to

Market & Economic Update

By Jeffrey W. McClure



over \$60 per barrel and gold just over \$1,305, both rises driven largely by the dollar's decline.

The Economy

Bloomberg conducted a survey of thousands of U.S. companies, asking what they plan to do with the tax windfall that is scheduled to come their way in 2018. It appears that rather than doing stock buy-backs as some had predicted, they will spend the lion's share of the new cash flow on plants and equipment. Publicly traded companies have been spending about \$71 billion per month in that area this year but plan to increase that about 10% to about \$78 billion in 2018.

That is a double dose of good news for the economy, but perhaps not so much for employment in the longer term. Capital expenditures, or CAPEX, as economists call that type of spending, has one of the larger economic ripple effects in that purchasing equipment and improving or expanding physical plants causes other companies to buy and make the things that go into the investments. If this survey is accurate, we should see an expansion in durable goods manufacturing over the next couple of years at something approaching record rates. In the longer-term, it should make American goods less expensive and more competitive globally. So far, so good.

The negative is that U.S. corporations report that it is hard to find qualified workers to make those addi-

tional goods and anticipate that problem getting worse over the next few years. At the same time, those same companies must compete in a global market and must keep prices low. That means offering higher wages to attract good workers when that higher cost cannot be priced into their products is a losing strategy. As wages go up in foreign countries, that too becomes less attractive. It appears that the solution many companies are pursuing is automation. If they automate with high-tech robotic solutions, companies can produce and transport and deliver more of whatever they sell with fewer employees. Those fewer employees, rather than being the producers of the product, become the operators and maintenance techs for the machines that do the work and thus can be paid more.

It appears that the trend away from low-skilled labor is about to accelerate and will thus exacerbate the economic gap between the traditional blue-collar worker and the high-skilled tech specialist. That is not good news for the parts of mainly rural America that are already in decline. It is looking more and more like we are in the third industrial revolution in our country's history. Industrial revolutions create a lot of "have-nots" even as they raise the incomes of the fortunate workers who have the education and thereby the skills to take advantage of the brave new world as it comes.

Nancy Pelosi's Tax Apocalypse

Rich Lowry



To listen to the Democrats, the American middle class will be lucky to survive the Republican tax bill.

House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi calls the bill "monumental, brazen theft from the American middle class," and that's one of her more restrained comments. Per Pelosi, the bill is an affront to the Founding Fathers, veterans, children and all that's good and true in America.

She constantly charges that the bill "raises taxes on 86 million middle-class households," and "hands a breathtaking 83 percent of its benefits to the wealthiest 1 percent of Americans."

This is a rhetorically potent line of attack that the polling suggests has made considerable headway. It just isn't remotely honest. The Republican bill is, every factual analysis agrees, an across-the-board tax cut.

Pelosi's seemingly damning factoids come from the year 2027, an odd date to focus on, since it's not when the bill goes into effect, but when part of it lapses. In about 10 years, many of the tax cuts on the individual side expire, which Pelosi portrays as a Republican plot to loot the middle class.

It's a very strange argu-

ment against passing a bill to say horrible things will happen once the legislation no longer fully applies. This is more logically a case for extending the bill than for blocking it. Indeed, it's almost certain the middle-class provisions would eventually be preserved.

What is, by the way, this looming middle-class wasteland in 2027? Pelosi relies on the liberal Tax Policy Center for her figures. As that outfit puts it, "on average, in 2027 taxes would change little for lower- and middle-income groups." Oh.

There's a reason Pelosi doesn't want to focus on the numbers when the tax bill she so vociferously opposes is fully in effect. In 2018, 80.4 percent of tax units get a tax cut, averaging \$2,140. A grand total of 4.8 percent will see a tax increase. The small percentage of people with higher taxes is disproportionately tilted toward the top of the income scale.

It's true that upper-income people get a bigger

tax cut in terms of absolute dollars than anyone else, for the simple reason that the wealthy tend to pay more in taxes than anyone else, as Brian Riedl of the Manhattan Institute points out.

The tax bill is hardly invulnerable to criticism. Even if Republicans don't always like to admit it, corporate tax cuts are at the heart of the bill. They aren't popular, but they are pro-growth. There used to be a bipartisan consensus -- encompassing Presidents Barack Obama and Bill Clinton -- that we needed corporate tax reform. Then there's the deficit. Republicans can fairly be taken to task for budget gimmicks (like the expiration of the individual tax cuts) that squeeze a much bigger tax cut into a \$1.5 trillion, 10-year window. All things being equal, economic growth will diminish some of the revenue loss. But the bill could've been smaller and added less to the deficit.

It's impossible to say how the tax bill will play in the midterms. What's certain is that, contra Pelosi, the middle class will emerge intact, and with a lower tax bill.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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Quality of school has influence on neighborhood choice, home values

Superintendent's Corner

by Dr. Michael Novotny



wing or portable building, gym, and cafeteria). Many students are housed in portable buildings. There are two remaining portable buildings that could be used for additional classrooms.

-Our intermediate school is already over capacity. The computer lab, science lab, and conference rooms have been converted into classrooms because of lack of classroom space. There is no remaining space to convert into additional classrooms.

-Our junior high school is projected to be over capacity by this upcoming school year (August 2018). Many students are housed in portable classrooms. There is one remaining portable building that could be used for an additional classroom.

-Our elementary, intermediate, and junior high school entrances do not provide a smooth and safe flow of students and visitors.

-Drop-off and pick-up at the elementary, intermediate, and junior high schools create significant traffic congestion on Thomas Arnold Road, Salado School Road,

and West Village Road.

-Our high school is projected to be over capacity by August 2022. We recently purchased four portable buildings that could be used for additional classrooms.

-Our athletic facilities were built around 1980 when we were a 1A district with about 400 students (as compared to our current 4A classification and enrollment of 1,854 students).

-Our band, choir, and theatre programs all perform in our two cafeterias that are not large enough to accommodate the number of students, parents, employees, and community members that attend many of these events.

-Our facilities committee is working on a long range plan in response to these facts, our rising resident student enrollment, aging facilities, and stressed capacity. Our long range facilities planning committee will meet again this coming Monday, January 8, at 6:00 p.m. at the Salado ISD Administration Building/Civic Center. The committee will be considering and discussing potential projects that would address safety, classroom capacity, athletics, and fine arts. All of these meetings are open to the public.

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An Open Exchange of Ideas

Chamber chairman gives thanks for support in 2017

Dear Editor:

As 2017 has now come to end, so has my honor of being the Chairman of the Salado Chamber of Commerce. The official passing of the Gavel will take place at the Annual Chamber Awards Banquet January 25th at Tenroc.

I would like to say Thank You to all the businesses, business owners and residents, whether members of the Chamber or not, for all the support you have shown me this past year.

It truly has been an honor to be the Chairman of the Chamber and to have been part of the resurgence of this great Village of Salado. The year has been full of accom-

Your Voice

Letters to the Editor

plishments, some setbacks, but none so great that we weren't able to put what was in the best interest of Salado, foremost in mind and in goals.

The new Chairman of the Chamber for 2018 is Mary Ford, who I have the utmost confidence in and I know she will be an outstanding Chairman of the Chamber. I ask that you all give her the support and friendship you have given me.

Ashley Bray is our new

Chamber of Commerce Administrator and has taken to heart this village. Ashley, Mary and an outstanding Chamber Board of Directors will do everything possible and necessary to continue the resurgence of our great Village.

So, again I say Thank You for your friendship, your support and giving me the honor to have served this past year as Chairman.

Appreciated,
Dave Swarthout

Salado Water Supply Corp. sets general membership meet Jan. 25

Salado Water Supply Corporation general membership meeting will be held at the Salado Civic Center on Main St. at 6:30 p.m. Jan. 25.

Among the items of business will be these:

- Approve 2017 meeting minutes.
- Treasurer's report and adoption of 2018 budget.
- Report on improvements to the water system.
- Election of Board of Directors for all expiring terms.

Other business may be added and posted at the SWSC office, 410 Salado Plaza Dr. at least 72 hours before meeting.

Copies of meeting materials will be available after Jan. 12.

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Community Life

Novotny shares SISD growth plans on Jan. 11

The Salado Ladies Auxiliary will conduct their monthly meeting on Thursday, January 11. 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 January program will feature Dr. Michael Novotny, Superintendent of Salado Independent School District. Dr. Novotny will communicate the successes of Salado ISD and address the findings of the Long Range Facilities Planning Committee on their study of district facilities. He will also present historical data on district growth, past and present, as well as projected future growth with



Dr. Michael Novotny
Salado ISD Supt.

accentuation on how this growth will impact district facilities. Auxiliary members and guests are encouraged to attend this informative program.

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

Bible Study starts Jan. 8

The Temple-Belton Community Bible Study (CBS) adult co-ed evening class will resume its current study of the book of Galatians on Monday, Jan. 8, at 7:30 p.m. in the small sanctuary of First Baptist Church of Belton at Sixth and Main Streets.

An introductory session will be held for anyone interested in learning more about CBS and for registering for the in-depth interdenominational study. Following the study of Galatians, the class will study Colossians and Philippians.

The class is open to all adults. Individuals may choose to participate in core

groups for men, women or married couples.

Each week participants will 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. On Monday nights, these questions will be discussed in small groups.

Following the small groups there is a short teaching over the same section of Scripture. The class will break for spring vacation and will conclude at the end of April 2018.

For additional information, please contact the class coordinator at 254 773-1842 in Temple.

Newcomers Club activities for Jan.

Bell County Newcomers Club is filled with monthly activities for ladies new to the area. Check out bell-countynewcomers.com or call Linda Fulbridge at 254-781-2860 for membership details.

January Activities:
8-Monday; Book Club-2-4
9-Tuesday; Canasta-9:30-noon
9-Tuesday; Bridge-10-2:30
10-Wednesday; Game Day-11-3
11-Thursday; GirlsJWH-Fun-Noon

12-Friday; TGIF Lunch-11:30-13-Saturday; Couples Night Out-5pm
14-Sunday; Couples Bridge-6:30-9-30pm
15-Monday; Canasta-1-416-Tuesday; Bunco-1-30
17-Wednesday; Bridge-1-4
18-Thursday; Casual Coffee-10:30-noonish
19-Friday; Hiking Club-9-30
23-Tuesday; Bridge-10-2:30
24-Wednesday; Fun Lunch-11:00
26-Friday; Canasta-9:30-noon

Renewal Event held at Christ Episcopal Church in Temple Jan. 5-6

Christ Episcopal Church, 300 N. Main St. Temple, is offering a gift to those who want to help start the New Year on the right step and – perhaps – keep those 2018 resolutions for the next 12 months.

The Rev. Canon Douglas Renegar, former interim Anglican observer to the United Nations, will lead two special sessions on Friday (Jan. 5) and Saturday (Jan. 6) at the church's parish hall.

Sessions will be Friday, Jan. 5 from 7-8:30 p.m. (reception following); Saturday, Jan. 6 from 9:30 a.m. to noon; Sunday, Jan. 7, both worship services 8:15 and 10:30 a.m.

His theme will be "Jesus Wants You." The series is designed to appeal to people of all faith backgrounds to help them survive and revive after the hectic holiday season, the Rev. Justin Yawn, the church's rector.

"Wanting to be close to anyone or anything is the natural experience that reflects our love and affection. If we are loved infinitely by Jesus, we are also wanted infinitely," Renegar said.

Born into a military family, Renegar spent his early career as a teacher and school principal until he was called to the Episcopal ministry. After ordination in 1984, he first served several mission churches in the



Rev. Canon Douglas Renegar

coal fields in Virginia on the Kentucky and West Virginia borders. He was then called to churches in Washington, D.C., South Carolina and Georgia before being named interim observer to the United Nations.

The Anglican Communion, which includes the Episcopal Church in the United States as well as other Anglican communities worldwide, opened its UN office in New York in 1991. As an Anglican observer, Renegar worked with Anglican and Episcopal provinces and Institutions, UN agencies, faith-based organizations and other international partners to build relationships, create networks and channels of communication – all designed to develop effective partnerships. Main themes of the New York Office currently are women's rights, migration, refugees and displacement, the environment and struggles of indigenous peoples.

This assignment was soon followed by interim pastorates and assignments to parishes in Switzerland, Belize, St Croix, Syria, Lebanon, Jordan and Hong Kong. I was He was also named an honorary canon from Tanzania and Puerto Rico.

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Obituaries



JESSIE HAMRICK FOSTER

Jessie Hamrick Foster of Salado passed on December 29, 2017.

The youngest of 13 children, Jessie Hamrick Foster was born on November 29, 1919 in Bell County, Texas to Frank and Parmer Hamrick.

She married the love of her life, Wilbur Riley Foster on May 14, 1938. They were married 75 years until his death on June 3, 2013.

A hard working lady, Jessie had many careers, beginning with picking cotton, farming and milking cows. She was a telephone switchboard operator, worked as a dental assistant, had an alterations shop, owned a catering business, sold antiques and worked at the funeral home. All the while, she also did the bookkeeping and accounts receivable for her husband's automotive tractor repair shop.

But her greatest love was being a wife to Wilbur and mother to daughter Lyndal Haney and son Morris Foster.

She was involved in her church and community. A longtime member of the Salado Church of Christ, Jessie and Wilbur were active in every aspect. From doing the books, preparing for services or events and serving members in need, she was always willing to help even to the last weeks of her life.

Foster was on the board of the Red School House and worked to renovate it and establish the Salado Civic Center.

She and Wilbur were honored in 2012 by the Public Arts League of Salado for their folk art replicas of stagecoaches and other vehicles.

Jessie was preceded in death by her husband, Wilbur, her parents and all of her siblings: Pete Hamrick, Minnie Lee Guess, Ruby Cabiness, Harvey Hamrick, Sadie Northern, Bernice Havens, Bera Boyd, and JW (Jiggs) Hamrick.

Surviving Jessie are daughter Lyndal Haney and husband James, son Morris Foster and wife Amanda, grandsons Greg Haney and wife Jan, Ryan Foster, Ralston Foster and wife Daphney, and Garrett Foster; granddaughters Debbie and husband Terry Alferos, Lanna Domangue and husband Scott, and Janna Russell; great grandchildren Cody Haney, Kirsten Alferos, Autumn Alferos, Collin Russell, Derek Russell and wife Meagan, Taylor Domangue and Nicole Domangue and great great grandson Damien

Aquino. Her adored dog, Pinto, also survives her.

Services were held Wednesday, January 3, 2018 at 2 p.m. at Dossman Funeral Home, 2525 North Main, Belton, Texas followed by graveside services at Salado Cemetery, Baines Drive in Salado.

Visitation was held from 5 p.m.- 7 p.m. Tuesday January 2, 2018 at Dossman Funeral Home.

Pallbearers include her grandsons and great grandsons.

We will miss her dry sense of humor, importance of family and her love. Because of the love and care of her daughter, Lyndal, Jessie lived her life to the fullest in her own home of 70 years until her last days.

Memorial donations may be made to Salado Church of Christ building fund, P.O. Box 207, Salado, TX 76571 or the charity of your choice.

BILLIE E. KILLINGSWORTH

Services for Billie E. Killingsworth, 87, of Belton, were held 11 a.m. Wednesday January 3, 2018 at Dossman Funeral Home, with Joe Ritchie officiating.

Burial will follow at Salado Cemetery in Salado, Texas.

Billie E. Killingsworth died Friday, December 29, 2017, at a Belton nursing home.

Mrs. Killingsworth was born August 18, 1930, in Austin, Texas, the daughter of Oliver Anderson and Ruth (Fielder) Howland. She graduated from Salado High School class of 1948. She married J.H. "Jack" Killingsworth in September of 1948; he preceded her in death in 1999. She was a life long member of Church of Christ Belton and was a trustee of Salado Cemetery Association.

Survivors include two sons, Scotty Killingsworth and wife Wendy of Austin and Jay Killingsworth and wife Linda of Salado; a daughter, Sammie Moore and husband Jimmy of Belton; three grandchildren, Amy Wilson and husband Brent, Hugh Moore and wife Tiffany and Jayanna Killingsworth and seven great grandchildren, Jada-Kaye Wilson, Heidi-Anne Wilson, Bo Wilson, Baron Wilson, Blaise Wilson, Macy Moore

and Matt Moore.

Visitation was held one hour prior to the service on Wednesday January 3, 2018 at Dossman Funeral Home in Belton.

The family asks that in lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to The Salado Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 21 Salado, Texas 76571.



CHAD WARREN LEVIN

Chad Warren Levin passed away suddenly on December 16, 2017 at his home in Belton.

Levin was born on November 16, 1972 in Germany to Carl Irving Levin and Virginia Kathryn Hilles. Chad graduated from Killeen High School in 1991.

He became a fire fighter with Killeen Fire Department after graduating the fire academy in 1995, where served until 1998. Chad was a small business owner for many years out of Salado, Texas.

He was remarried to Shannon Kruse in January 2017.

Levin is survived by his mother and father, Virginia and David Biggs, 2 sisters and 1 brother and spouses, Kimberly Ann Zimmerman/Galen Richard Zimmerman, Kari Elizabeth Hibler/Slade Everett Hibler, Charles William Biggs/ Ginger Raelene Biggs, 3 sons, Austin Chad Levin, Noah Griffin Kruse, and Ezekiel Geer Kruse, 2 daughters Trinity Sarah Marie, Eden Channon Levin, and many nieces and nephews. Chad is preceded in death by his Father David Irving Levin.

A memorial service was held December 29, 2017 at Harper-Talasek Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Bell Country Sherriff's Foundation.



TRAVIS LEE MORRIS

Travis Lee Morris, of Duncan, Oklahoma, passed away on Wednesday, December 6, 2017, at the age of 77. He was born on July 11, 1940, to John Lee and Thelma (Cowan) Morris in Moffatt, Texas.

Family visitation was held Dec. 8 at Whitt Funeral Home.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. on Dec. 9, at Chisholm Trail Church of Christ with Minister Leonard Keele officiating. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Whitt Funeral Home.

Burial was held 1 p.m. on Dec. 14 at Resthaven Cemetery in Belton, Texas under the direction of Dossman Funeral Home.

Morris graduated from Salado High School and attended college in Austin. He married Fran King on August 14, 1959 in Belton, Texas. They had two children, Jeff and Angela.

Morris is survived by his wife, Fran; two children, Jeff Morris of Haltom City, Texas, and Angela and husband David Little, of Ardmore; four grandchildren, Chris Shelton, McKenzie Morris, Cooper and Paxton Little; two brothers, Wilbur and wife Linda Morris and Ted and wife Jean Morris, all of Belton; and two sisters, Odessa Sherwood, and Linda VanWinkle, both of Belton.

He was preceded in death by his parents; six brothers, Doyle Morris, Victor Morris, Jerry Morris, Johnny Morris, Walter Morris, and Dave Morris; and two sisters, Dena Morris and Beverly Duke.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Chisholm Trail Church of Christ Building Fund.

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HANSFORD FIELDS

Funeral services for Hansford Fields of Salado will be 1 p.m. Jan. 5 at Salado United Methodist Church.

Fields passed away at his Salado home on January 1, 2018.

He was born on September 23, 1938 to Rebecca and Noble Fields.

Hans was raised in Indiana. He graduated with

a Bachelor of Arts degree from Texas Western College (University of Texas at El Paso) where he attended on a full basketball scholarship. He later received a Master of Science degree in Biology, Chemistry and Mathematics from Middle Tennessee State University.

He married Judy Kay Gatlin in August of 1959. They have three children: Jayne Hopper, Lorinda Krystyniak and Charles Fields.

Hans taught and coached in the Ysleta School District in El Paso for 18 years before changing professions. He began a second profession in the field of energy, starting as a lab technician with Chevron, rising to Senior Safety Engineer before retiring 27 years later.

He and wife Judy traveled from El Paso to Beaumont, Saudi Arabia and Qatar during his professional years.

When the Fields came to Salado, Hans immediately got involved with volunteering. He has been an active member of the Salado Lions Club, Salado Historical Society (serving as President), Mill Creek Community Association (serving as President), Citizens on Patrol, Salado Zoning Board of Adjustment, a charter member of Leadership Salado and a member and President of the Community Emergency Response Team for Salado (CERTS). He was also active in the Salado Six, which received a state award from Keep Texas Beautiful for their volunteer hours.

Fields was also an elected Aldermen for the Village of Salado.

Hans is survived by his wife of 58 years Judy, three children, five grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

KENNETH G. TOWNSEND

Funeral services for Kenneth G. Townsend, 94, of Salado, will be held at 2:30 p.m. Jan. 5 at First Baptist Church in Salado. Burial will follow at the Salado Cemetery. The family will receive friends for visitation one hour before the services at the church.

Townsend died January 1, 2018 in a Bartlett nursing home.

Townsend was born November 22, 1923, in Salado, the son of Will and Elvie (Grigsby) Townsend. He lived in Salado all his life. He married Ruby Alexander on November 3, 1942. They were married for more than 65 years.

Kenneth was a farmer for many years. In 1956, he went to work for ASCS part-time measuring land. It became a full-time job until his retirement January 3, 1985.

He was a member of First Baptist Church of Salado for over 65 years.

During his time there he taught Sunday School, served as deacon, chairman of the deacon body, sang in the choir and served on several pulpit committees that called pastors for the church. Through the early years of the church, he helped to build and remodel many of the structures on the present church grounds. He was faithful to visit those church members that were in nursing facilities as well as assisted living homes in the area.

You could still find Kenneth faithful in attendance to Sunday services and Sunday School at FBC Salado for many years. He continued to be a witness to many at Will-O-Bell nursing facility in Bartlett where he was a resident from April 10, 2017 until January 1, 2018 when the Lord called him home.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruby, February 4, 2009. He was also preceded in death by his parents, five brothers, two sisters and two of his grandchildren Stacey and Russell Fellers.

HUBERT GLENN COLLINS

July 30, 1926
December 22, 2017

On December 22, 2017 or sweet grandpa "gramps", Hubert Glenn Collins, left this world in the most serene manner from nothing more than old age.

Born on July 30, 1926 in North Carolina with a gypsy soul and a mechanical mind Hubert was a lover and a drinker in his younger years.

Hubert quit school at a primitive age to work in the tobacco fields of North Carolina.

In 1945 Hubert joined the US Army during WW2 serving in the C Company in the 67th medium tank battalion.

After being honorably discharged from Camp Hood in 1952 as a Sergeant, Hubert worked in various mechanical shops until he was in his 80's when he decided to stick to tinkering around his house on whatever he could get his hands on.

Even in these last few months Hubert was found 'working' on his hospital bed from the ground level and loving every second of it!

Hubert was married four times, had endless stories to tell of his life's adventures (moonshine was his favorite topic) and found beauty in most all of the ladies that crossed his path.

Above all else, Hubert's greatest joys in life were in his grandchildren. Many dotting recollections can be told of gramps lovingly at the service of his grandchildren no matter what the need.

Hubert was preceded in death by one daughter, Doris Lee and two step-daughters, Billye Jean Crum (Ralph) and Merle Elaine James (Jesse).

He is survived by his son, Glenn Collins (Patricia), daughter June Hodges (Wallace), Sister Doris Herring and step-daughter Ollie Jo Jacobons. He is also survived by his grandchildren Hub Collins (Crystal), Hartley Barrett (Dustin), Shannon Hodges (Virginia), Lisa Hodges, Matt Hodges (Brenda), 11 great-grand children and one great-grand child.

Hubert's quick wit, dry humor and unwavering adoration has left a hole in our hearts only to be filled again upon our reunion one fine day.

A graveside service will be held on Dec. 29 at Live Oak Cemetery in Youngsport. Immediately following the service a celebratory lunch was held.

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Covering Salado students from Thomas Arnold to SHS

January 4, 2018



Salado soccer players kicked off the season in cold weather over the Christmas holidays sponsoring the Salado Scrimmage Tournament. Above, Salado junior varsity girls player Nohemi Pena powers past a Temple High School player and sets up for the next goal attempt. (PHOTO BY LEE LOUGHEED)



Salado Lady Eagles won the Consolation Prize at the Thorndale basketball tournament over the Christmas holiday. They are shown above (top row, from left) Kayla Manning, Anna Cat Pyror, Jasey Goings, Abby Matthews; (middle row, from left) Lexie Linda, Kate Kyburz, Kaia Philen, Corban Mescher; (bottom row, from left) Danni McDaniel, Katelyn Seymour, Amanda Cantu and Ashlen LaCanne. (COURTESY PHOTO)

Lady Eagles win consolation trophy in Thorndale

Salado Lady Eagles traveled to Thorndale over the Christmas holidays to earn the Consolation trophy there by winning two and losing one.

Their first game was against Rogers which the Lady Eagles from Rogers took the game in the end with a score of 54-42. At half, the score was 25-27 with Rogers in the lead. The lead was a constant battle between the two Lady Eagles teams. Kayla Manning led the Lady

Eagles with 13 points (4/9 from the field and 5/6 on the line) and 5 rebounds. Kaia Philen had 9 points and 6 rebounds and Kate Kyburz also chipped in 9 points and a high of 7 rebounds.

The Salado Lady Eagles played Hearne and took this game with a 57-32 win. Kayla Manning was leading scorer with 19 points, Kaia Philen had 13 points and Ashlen LaCanne had 8 points. The Lady Eagles had a great defensive game with

Kaia Philen leading with 8 steals and Ashlen LaCanne coming away with 6 steals.

To finish off the tournament, the Lady Eagles played Caldwell to cinch Consolation in the tournament with a win of 43-20. Kayla Manning was leading scorer with 12 points and Kaia Philen with 10 points. Kayla led with 7 rebounds, Amanda Cantu with 6 and Corban Mescher with 5.



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Eagles play in Calallen

Salado Eagles won one game and lost three in the Calallen Basketball Tournament over the Christmas Break.

Salado Eagles took out Alice Dec. 28.

Salado Eagles 65
Alice 60

Anthony Young scored 9 of Salado's 20 first quarter points for a 20-11 lead. Alice outscored Salado 21-11 leaving the Eagles trailing 31-32 at the half. Salado retook the lead with 19 third quarter points to lead 50-47 heading into the fourth. The Eagles secured the win with 15 fourth quarter points for a 65-60 final.

Reece Brown led Salado in scoring with 13 points. Followed by Anthony Young with 12 points and Willy Whigham with 10 points.

Also scoring for the Eagles were Jake Pittman, 8 points; Sammy Brown, 7 points; Ryan Kyburz, 4 points; Shane Roche, 3 points; Eli Pittman, Cade Scallin, Jeremy Jarvis and W.p. Roche, 2 points each.

Salado Eagles lost to Or-

ange Grove Dec. 28.
Salado Eagles 28
Orange Grove 43

The Eagles fell behind 8-12 in the first quarter and were held to a single point in the second to enter the half trailing 9-14. Salado added 7 points in the third and 13 in the fourth in the 28-43 loss.

Shane Roche led Salado in scoring with 7 points.

Also scoring for the Eagles were: Ryan Kyburz and Reece Brown, 6 points each; W.p. Roche, 4 points; Caleb Self and Cade Scallin, 2 points each; Anthony Young, 1 point.

Salado Eagles lost to Alvin Dec. 29.

Salado Eagles 51
Alvin 58

Salado Eagles led Alvin 17-12 in the first quarter and were outscored 12-23 in the second to trail 29-35 at the half. The Eagles matched Alvin's 16 third quarter points to enter the fourth trailing 45-51. Salado was unable to make a comeback in the fourth, scoring six points for a 51-58 loss.

Anthony Young led Sala-

do in scoring with 17 points.

Also scoring for the Eagles were: Sammy Brown, 8 points; Eli Pittman, 7 points; Willy Whigham and Reece Brown, 4 points each; Jake Pittman, 3 points; Shane Roche, Kade Maedgen, Jeremy Jarvis and Zach Shaver, 2 points each.

Salado Eagles were beaten by Calallen Dec. 29.

Salado Eagles 41
Calallen 53

Salado trailed 6-8 in the first and scored 12 in the second to enter the half trailing 18-21. The Eagles scored 12 points in the third and fell further behind 25-41 going into the fourth. Salado scored 16 points in the fourth to make the final score 41-53.

Shane Roche led the Eagles in scoring with 12 points. Followed in scoring by Jake Pittman, 11 points.

Also scoring for Salado were: Reece Brown, 5 points; Jeremy Jarvis 3 points; Anthony Young, Eli Pittman, Cade Scallin and W.p. Roche, 2 points each; Sammy Brown, 1 point.

3 Kings 3 Miler first 5K of 2018

The 4th Annual 3 Kings 3 Miler will be held 8 a.m. Jan. 6 beginning at the St. Joseph's Episcopal Church on N. Main St. Salado.

Registration is \$30 for adults and \$20 for kids. Salado ISD students

The officially timed and measured 5k will begin at St Joseph's on Main Street. The course goes south on Main St. and loops through Pace Park, goes east on Royal to Center Circle and back up Main St. to the church.

Once complete, there

will be unique local artisan awards, raffle items, refreshments and hot coffee and cocoa for all.

Online registration ends Dec. 30. If you sign up on Race Day, the cost is \$35.

Register to race or donate to the cause at <https://runsignup.com/race/tx/salado/3kings3miler>.

Twenty-five percent of the net proceeds from this year's race will help fund Salado Family Relief and the remainder will help St. Joseph's outreach ministry to Salado and the surrounding area.

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By MARK RICHARDSON
 TEXAS NEWS SERVICE

LUBBOCK, Texas -- A new report shows that while most states, including Texas, are doing a better job of teaching high school students financial skills, there is still room for improvement. The Center for Financial



A new study shows that becoming financially literate at an early age can pay big dividends later in life. (GRILL/GETTYIMAGES)

Literacy at Champlain College issued a recent report card on how well the 50 states are doing at sending students out into the world knowing the basics of personal finance. John Pelletier, director of the Center, said while high school students need to know how to handle things such as checking accounts, investing and credit cards, if they plan on going to college, they will also need to know how a student loan works.

"Two-thirds or more of all students across the country are graduating with student debt, and yet we're not giving them the skills and the foundational knowledge they need to handle that debt responsibly," Pelletier said. "I think we kind of have a moral obligation to do that as a country."

The report gave fewer than half the states the highest grades - an A or a B - for their financial curriculum, while 27 states earned a C, D or an F. Pelletier said states that earned the top grade require high school students to complete a comprehensive, stand-alone course on financial literacy.

He said only five states earned an A, and added that Texas earned a B.

"A B is a state that requires a course for graduation that includes personal finance be taught as part of that," he explained. "Most states who get Bs - there are 19 of them - do this through a required economics course."

In 2012, Texas began requiring public and charter high schools to offer Personal Financial Literacy as a 0.5 credit elective course.

Pelletier said the Center's studies found that many people reach a point in life where they wish they had learned more about handling money when they were younger.

"They're asked about things that they wish they had been taught when they were in high school - many of them talk about personal finance," he said. "So I think people regret this much younger than in their 40s or 50s. It can be a regret in their 30s, because we all make financial decisions that impact us."

Pelletier said the study shows financial literacy is linked to positive outcomes such as wealth accumulation, stock market participation, retirement planning and avoiding high-cost financial services such as payday lending and auto title loans.

Temple College offers continuing education courses in Spring 2018

The Temple College Business and Continuing Education Division is offering a va-



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riety of classes in spring 2018 to help individuals gain new skills.

New courses being offered in spring 2018 include Adobe Acrobat and a course to train people who would like to become licensed drone operators. The Acrobat class will be held Feb. 22 and the drone course will be held March 3-4.

A variety of health professions classes will be offered, as well as courses on human resources and leadership, payroll, and other software applications.

The division also offers Commercial Driver's License (CDL) training every two

weeks, as well as a variety of online classes.

In-person classes are held in Berry Hall on the main Temple College campus in Temple. For additional information, or to register, visit www.templejc.edu/BCE or call 254-298-8625.

For-profit businesses with less than 100 employees are eligible to apply for the Texas Workforce Commission's Skills for Small Business training grant, which may cover tuition for these classes. For more information on this grant, visit www.twc.state.tx.us/programs/skills-small-business-program-overview.

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Unity

Bell Co. Museum celebrates legacy of MLK, Jr. Jan. 13

The Bell County Museum will host "Unity!: A Celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr." 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Jan. 13.

The event celebrates the life and legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. and his efforts to bring equality to all.

Several activities are planned: visitors can make a unity banner to be displayed in the museum, and create unity bracelets symbolizing the strength of unity.

Texas State University professor of History, Dr. Dwight Watson, will give a lecture on the Civil Rights Movement and the impact of MLK Jr. at 3:30 p.m. at the museum.

Dr. Watson's lecture is the first in the museum's 2018 Lecture Series.

Bell County Museum is partnering with The Salado Institute for the Humanities and Salado Museum and College Park on the 2018 Spring Lecture Series.

According to the Nobel Prize website nobelprize.org: "Martin Luther King, Jr., (January 15, 1929-April 4, 1968) was born Michael Luther King, Jr., but later had his name changed to Martin. His grandfather began the family's long tenure as pastors of the Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta, serving from 1914 to 1931; his father has served from then until the present, and from 1960 until his death Martin Luther acted as co-pastor. Martin Luther attended segregated public schools in Georgia, graduating from high school at the age of fifteen; he received the B. A. degree in 1948 from Morehouse College, a distinguished Negro institution of Atlanta from which both his father and grandfather had graduated. After three years of theological study at Crozer Theological Seminary in Pennsylvania where he was elected president of a predominantly white senior class, he was awarded the B.D. in 1951. With a fellowship won at Crozer, he enrolled in graduate studies at Boston University, completing his residence for the doc-



Dr. Dwight Watson, professor of history at Texas State University.

torate in 1953 and receiving the degree in 1955. In Boston he met and married Coretta Scott, a young woman of uncommon intellectual and artistic attainments. Two sons and two daughters were born into the family.

The event and lecture are free to the public.

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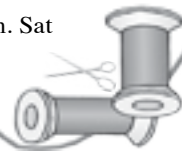
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The Mother Earth News Fair will be at the Bell County Expo Center Feb. 17-18. Passes can be purchased at <https://www.motherearthnews.com/store/product-category/mother-earth-news-fair>.

The Mother Earth News Fair now has four great ways to enjoy their events. With each wristband pass, attendees

will gain access to the nation's premier sustainable lifestyle event, packed with over 300 vendors and 150 hands-on workshops at each location. Order single day or weekend wristbands early and save with pre-order special.

Want to enjoy the Fair in style? Check out the Fair VIP options for individuals and families. Each VIP package lets you enjoy the exclusive amenities at each Fair. Order your tickets today and see Mother Earth News come to life. Feb. 8 is the last chance to order advanced wristband passes and get them in the mail.

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Reoccurring events in Salado

MONDAYS

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

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

Salado Village Artists Stitches and Knitters, 2 p.m. at Salado Village Artists Building.

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

FIRST MONDAY

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

Coloring with Karen, 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. at Stamp Salado

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

SECOND MONDAY

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

THIRD MONDAY

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

Salado Democrats, 7 p.m. at Salado Public Library

FOURTH MONDAY

Salado Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting, 5 p.m. at the library

TUESDAYS

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

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

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

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

Salado Community Chorus practice, 6 p.m., Salado Civic Center, info: saladochorus.com

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

FIRST TUESDAY

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

Salado 4-H Club meeting, 6 p.m. at Salado High School Cafeteria, Sept. - May.

SECOND TUESDAY

Salado Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 9:30 a.m. Social and 10 a.m. Meeting at Salado Church of Christ Activity Center

THIRD TUESDAY

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

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

FOURTH TUESDAY

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

SECOND WEDNESDAY

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

THIRD WEDNESDAY

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

FOURTH WEDNESDAY

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



Salado Market Days is held every second weekend on the grounds of Salado Antique Mall. The 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. event features a wide variety of vendors specializing in antique, collectable, vintage and art.

THURSDAYS

Salado Aldermen meeting, 6:30 p.m., Municipal building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd. Meeting is open to the public. First and third Thursday are regular meetings and second and fourth Thursday are workshop meetings.

Bikes and Beer, 7:15 p.m. depart from Barrow Brewery Company

FIRST THURSDAY

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

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

SECOND THURSDAY

Salado Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, 9:30 a.m. at the Salado Church of Christ Activity Center
Barrel Racing, 6:30 p.m. at 3C Cowboy Fellowship Arena. Call before you haul 947-7214

THIRD THURSDAY

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

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

FIRST FRIDAYS

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

FRIDAYS

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

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

Live music at Chupacabra Craft Beer and Salado Lone Star Winery

FOURTH FRIDAY

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

The Royal Street Art Walk (RAW), 6 - 9 p.m. along Royal Street, Feb - Nov. info: royalstreetart-walk.com

SATURDAYS

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

Sample over 100 varieties of gourmet foods noon - 6 p.m. at The Strawberry Patch

Live music at Chupacabra Craft Beer and Salado Lone Star Winery

FIRST & THIRD SAT

Trudy's Closet, 10 a.m. - noon at Grace Church

SECOND & FOURTH SAT

Heart and Hands Ministries food and clothing pantry, 9 - 11 a.m. at Salado Plaza Shopping Center. Donation/volunteer info: 947-5465

SECOND SATURDAY

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

SUNDAYS

Sunday Brunch, 10:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Alexanders Distillery on Center Circle

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

SECOND WEEKENDS

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

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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
- Salado Visitors Center \$
- Salado Chamber of Commerce \$
- Village of Salado Tourism Office \$
- 10 Sofi's S
- 14 Salado Glassworks A
- 17 Barrow Brewing Company D
- 20 Springhouse Emporium S
- 21 The Venue V
- 22 The Shed D
- 24 Tablerock C
- 26 Salado United Methodist Church V
- 29 Alexander's Distillery 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
- 48 The Inn at Salado L
- 49 Lively Coffeehouse & Bistro D
- 49 Magnolias S
- 55 Salado Family Dentistry \$
- 57 Mud Pies S
- 58 The Shoppes on Main #1 S
- 60 Salado Creek Jewelry S
- 62 The Pizza Place D
- 65 ERA Colonial Real Estate \$
- 73 Cornett Corner \$
- Crain Chiropractic & Wellness \$
- Investment Realty \$
- First Eye Care Salado S
- 75 Angelic Herbs S
- Bruce Bolick, CPA \$
- Lone Star EBikes S
- 76 Salado Civic Center \$
- 81 Salado Wine Seller and Salado Winery Co. D
- 82 St. Joseph's Episcopal Church C
- 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 \$
- Salado's Hair Shop \$
- Salado Village Voice \$

- 97 Brookshire Brothers S
- 100 Salado Public Library C
- 101 Salado Cleaners \$
- 104 Hairitage Barber Shop \$
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- 126 Cowboy's Barbecue D
- 124 Salado Veterinary Hospital \$
- 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 \$
- 3C Cowboy Fellowship C
- Grace Baptist Church C
- Mill Creek Country Club D/V



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
- 79. The Reed Cabin
- 100. The Josiah Fowler House

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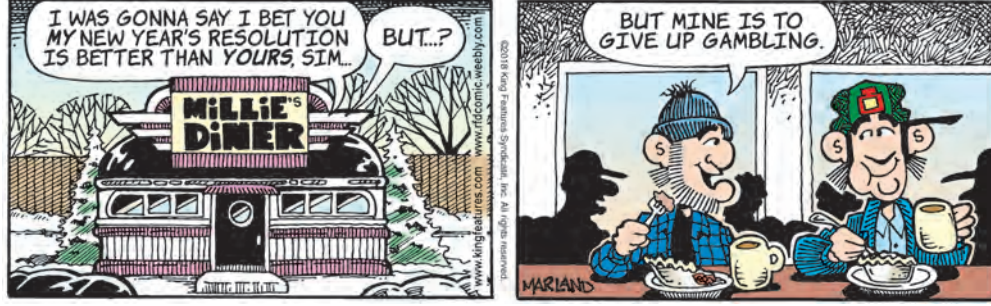
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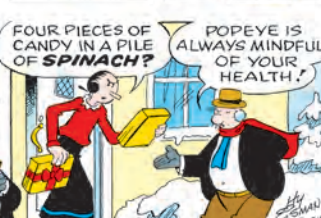
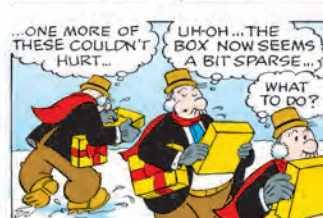
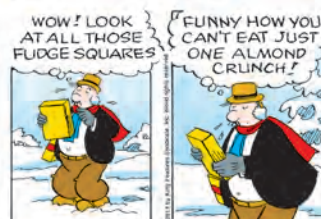
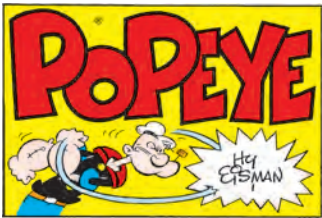
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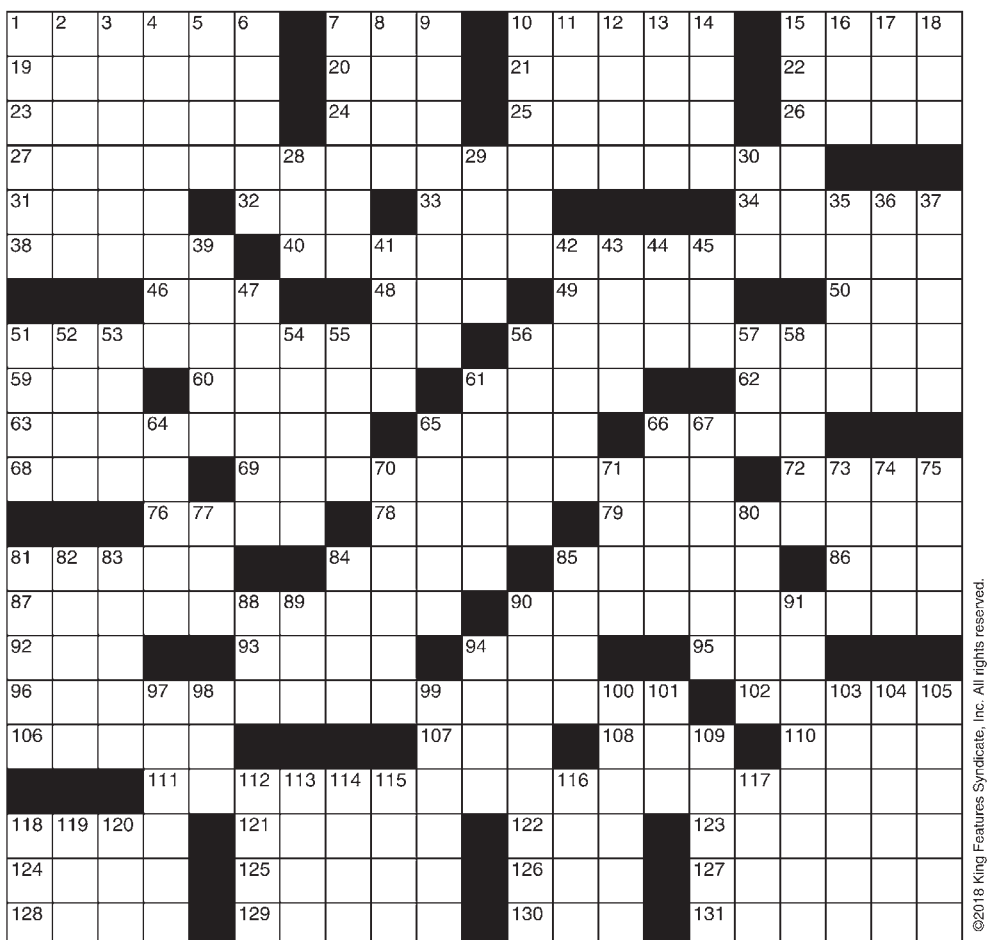
- 1. SCIENCE: What is the first element on the Periodic Table?
2. MUSIC: What is the title of Disney's theme song and who sang it in the movie "Pinocchio"?
3. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the first president to live in the White House?
4. HISTORY: In what year did England, Scotland and Wales unite to form Great Britain?
5. CARTOONS: What type of dog is Scooby Doo in the "Scooby Doo" TV series?
6. ANIMAL KINGDOM: How many hearts does an octopus have?
7. FOOD & DRINK: What is hummus made of traditionally?
8. GEOGRAPHY: Where is Fort Knox located in the United States?
9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What well-known pediatrician and author won a gold medal for rowing in the 1924 Olympics?
10. MOVIES: What was the name of the whale in the movie "Free Willy"?

Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

- Answers
1. Hydrogen
2. "When You Wish Upon a Star" sung by Jiminy Cricket
3. John Adams
4. 1707
5. Great Dane
6. Three
7. Chickpeas
8. Kentucky
9. Dr. Benjamin Spock
10. Keiko
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Super Crossword

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Opening lead -- five of diamonds. One habit a declarer must strive to rid himself of is the temptation to treat each suit as a separate entity instead of dealing with the hand as a whole.

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rather than rely on the opponents to win the first or second club lead. By taking the ace of diamonds at trick one, he would have made sure of reaching dummy later to cash the clubs after the ace was driven out.

Weekly SUDOKU by Linda Thistle. Includes a 9x9 grid with numbers and a difficulty level of 'Moderate'.

SNOWFLAKES by Japheth Light. A hexagonal grid puzzle with 13 black hexagons and numbers 1-6.

Answers for the crossword puzzle and the snowflakes puzzle. Includes the text 'If you enjoy the Puzzle page, try our interactive crossword and sudoku puzzles online at: saladovillage-voice.com'.

Mallards are monogamous

Some animals are so uncommonly observed that people who have lived in an area their entire life have never seen it, or even know that it exists. However, there are other species of wildlife that is so recognizable, even those not familiar with the outdoors will be aware of it. Such is the case with a species of waterfowl that calls Texas home, the familiar Mallard.

The Mallard is one of the most recognizable of all waterfowl species. Its propensity to call city parks home, coupled with its yellow bill and, in males anyway, green head all but assure that even the casual bird observer has identified this species correctly. During the summer months, this species prefers to live in the northern areas of the American Midwest and the east and west coasts, all the way north into northern Canada. It is a migratory species, and the northernmost populations will oc-



Wild About Texas

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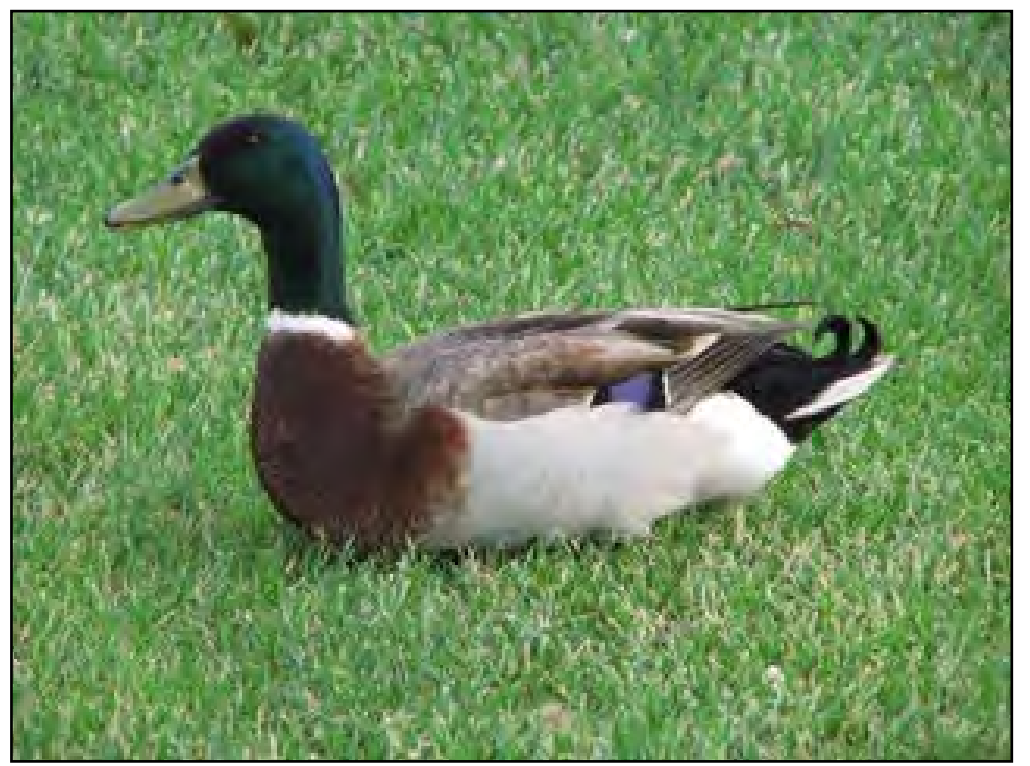
cupy the southeastern United States during the colder winter months. There is also a large area along the beltway where these "ducks" reside year-round, including the majority of west Texas.

As already mentioned, the Mallard is very distinctive and recognizable. Its body size has been recorded to a length of just under two feet, while the wingspan can be up to three and one-half feet from tip to tip. Males and females are sexually dimorphic, and as with most avian species, the male is the more colorful one. In mature males, the body is adorned with an array of colors, the most distinctive being a metallic blue patch that is bordered on the front and back with thick white borders. The head is shiny and green, outlined with a narrow cream collar around the neck. The breast has a purple sheen to it, while the un-

derside and sides are white. The tail is white and has two small black tail feathers that curl up towards the back. The legs and feet are orange and the bill is yellow.

Other than the blue patch on the wings, the white tail and the orange legs and feet, females look quite a bit different than the males. On females, the brown upperparts and underparts are mottled with darker brown and black. There is a dark line that runs diagonally from the bill through the eye to the crown of the head. And rather than having a yellow bill, the bill is mottled and is similar in appearance to the body.

This avian species seems to prefer shallow freshwater where it can gather plant matter from the bottom silt. Although this plant matter serves as its primary food source, the occasional invertebrate is also consumed in the process.



Mallard

This variety of aquatic bird prefers to live in small colonies, although during the breeding season it chooses to nest solitarily. This nest is generally built on the ground among areas with vegetation to conceal it. Mallards are a monogamous species that breeds during the summer months and lays between

five to fifteen 2-inch long grayish eggs that are incubated by the female. This incubation period lasts for approximately one month, after which time the almost self-reliant young will leave the nest. This species typically only produces one brood annually.

Studies have shown that

the population dynamics of this species is stable and in fact is quite abundant in many areas. Many are observed in city parks and in this environment, many individuals will become so accustomed to humans that they will allow themselves to be hand-fed.

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Most of us assume that train travel—whether for getting around town, commuting to work or for long hauls—is the most eco-friendly mass transit “mode.” Indeed, trains seem greener, with some relying exclusively on electricity while others utilize a single diesel-powered locomotive to pull dozens of passenger cars.

But even though trains are no slouch when it comes to fuel efficiency, buses, even though they spew diesel exhaust and get only about six miles per gallon, may be even better.

“The reason ... is that they are usually full of people, giving [buses] the highest miles per gallon per passenger, at 208,” reports CNN’s Steve Hargreaves based on his research digging into Department of Energy data. He adds that trains are the next best choice for the eco-conscious traveler, whether commuting or doing a longer

haul. “A city train (think subway or light rail) gets 52 mpg per passenger (or the equivalent, if it’s electric), while a commuter train—usually used to connect the suburbs to a city—gets about 44 mpg per passenger.”

A landmark 2013 study in Environmental Science and Technology by researchers at the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA) and the Center for International Climate and Environmental Research (CI-CERO) backs up these findings. The researchers found that bus travel noses out rail travel in fuel efficiency

and carbon impact on typical business or holiday trips ranging from 500-1000 kilometers (300-600 miles), generating only about 20 percent of the per passenger emissions as driving alone in a typical gas-powered car.

“Motor coaches leave carbon in the dust,” reports the non-profit Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS), adding that a couple can cut their travel carbon emissions in half by boarding a motor coach instead of taking their Prius. “And if they take the motor coach rather than flying, they will cut their emissions by 55 to 75 percent, depending on the distance they travel.” And given that many bus companies have ditched their old buses in favor of new models replete with not only more efficient engines but also reclining seats, on-board entertainment and WIFI, the

bus could become your new favorite way to travel.

Though buses are the current green leader, trains are catching up fast. All of Amtrak’s trains in its busiest Northeast Corridor now eschew the old diesel generators that used to power their locomotives, and run instead on an increasingly renewable supply of electricity. Some \$10 billion in investment in high-speed rail by the Obama administration means trains are getting more efficient across the country as well.

While Candidate Trump promised he would pour hundreds of millions of dollars into further boosting high-speed rail infrastructure, his 2018 budget does more to decimate Obama’s progress on the issue than augment it. Whether he will follow through with a plan to further bolster U.S. rail travel remains to be seen. In the meantime, while trains remain a viable green choice, choosing Greyhound over Amtrak might be the better option for the time being.

CONTACTS: UCS, www.ucsusa.org; Amtrak, www.amtrak.com; IIASA, www.iiasa.ac.at; CICERO, www.cicero.uio.no; Greyhound, www.greyhound.com.

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Cure Your Cabin Fever at the Railroad & Heritage Museum’s Free Family Day

(Temple, TX) - Winter blues got you down? Spent too much time together over the holidays? Bring the kids and venture out to the Temple Railroad & Heritage Museum this Saturday, January 6th for the FREE Cabin Fever Family Fun Day held from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the museum.

Families who attend the Cabin Fever Family Day, will enjoy free admission to the museum, as well as several sea themed crafting project. You’ll be able to make your very own totem, craft a yarn jellyfish, and decorate a sea turtle’s shell. They will also be able to escape to warmer times at the “Warm It Up!” photo area, set up in the grand lobby.

The museum’s temporary exhibit, Sign of the Times: The Great American Political Poster, 1844-2012, currently on display in the changing exhibit gallery, will also be free for guests from 11a.m. to 1 p.m. The exhibit explores

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