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Voters approve bond, elect Blancett, Coggin, Coachman

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Salado ISD voters overwhelmingly approved the \$49.4 million bond proposal. Village of Salado voters narrowly re-elected Mayor Skip Blancett.

SISD voters approved the bond 1,286 for and 669 against.

In early voting, 1,006 voted for and 489 voted against the bond proposal. On Election Day May 5, 280 voted for and 180 voted against.

Two newcomers will join the Salado ISD Board of Trustees, facing no opposition on the May 5 ballot: Dr. Bobbie Ann White and Jim Hodgins.

Mayor Blancett was re-elected to his third term on May 5 by the slimmest of margins over challenger David Williams. Blancett received 329 votes while Williams received 323 voters and Linda Reynolds took 142 votes.

Michael Coggin led a field of five candidates for two positions on the Village of Salado Board of Aldermen. He had 449 votes, 355 in early voting.

Frank Coachman was re-elected with 316 votes, 240 in early voting.

Becky Butscher had 286 votes, 217 in early voting. Judy Fields had 195 votes, 146 in early voting. Chad Martin had 161 votes, 123 in early voting.

LESSONS FROM PRIOR RACES

Blancett received fewer votes in the 2018 race than he did in his first re-election campaign in 2016, when he defeated the late Hans Fields by a margin of 357 votes to 281 votes for Fields.

Saladoans will remember that Blancett was a write-in candidate in 2016, having failed to fill out the filing paperwork completely for the deadline at that time. He was able to file as a write-in candidate.

In 2016, there were a few write-in candidates in contested Mayoral and Alderman races. Amber Preston-Dankert was easily re-elected as aldermen (410 votes) as a write-in candidate while write-in challenger Linda Reynolds (running for the first of three tries so far to get elected) earned 238 votes. Coachman, who made the ballot correctly, earned 321 votes in 2016 to be re-elected to his second term on the Board, a handful more than he tallied this time around in a field of five candidates.

Blancett's 329 votes in 2018 are more than he received when he was first elected Mayor in 2014.

In a field of four candidates, Blancett received 290 votes. Also running that year were former mayor Rick Ashe, who received 187 votes, incumbent mayor Danney McCort, 104 votes and alderman Hans Fields, 97 votes.

David T. Williams, even in defeat in 2018, received



Skip Blancett



Michael Coggin



Frank Coachman

far more votes in the mayor race than he did when he ran for re-election as alderman last year or when he was elected to the board in 2015. In 2017, he ran in a field of seven candidates for three positions on the board and received 219 votes; he was elected in 2015 with 210 votes, unseating the late Hans Fields who had 191 votes. The 2017 election included a proposition for disannexation of a large portion of Salado that failed with 707 voting against and 116 voting for.

Andy Jackson led the 2017 field with 511 votes, followed by Michael McDougal, 442 votes and Fred Brown, 379 votes. Linda Reynolds, seeking election as alderman for the second time in 2017, received 209 votes. Judy Fields received 190 votes that year. Christopher Tramel received 170.

Evident from this history of recent races for Mayor and Aldermen is that a large field of candidates tends to benefit the establishment candidate.

This election cycle leaves many in Salado wondering if Blancett would have been re-elected without the influence of Linda Reynolds in the race. Had Reynolds dropped her name from the ballot as Michael McDougal did after Skip signed on to run at the last hour, Blancett and Williams would have been in a two person race. It is highly doubtful if any of the 142 Saladoans that voted for Reynolds would have chosen Blancett over Williams.

One can see the similarities that spoilers play in Salado as they do at the national level when Ralph Nader took votes away from Al Gore in 2000 and Ross Perot took votes from President George H.W. Bush in 1992.



Elaine and Jerry Herrick water new plants at the Salado Community Garden. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Salado Community Garden now accepting members for 42 plots

After weeks of work, the Salado Community Garden on the grounds of the Salado Civic Center (601 N. Main Street) is now accepting members who can utilize one of the 42 garden plots 4' x 8' in size.

Membership is open to residents or property owners in the Salado Independent School District. The cost is \$20 per year. Each member is assigned one (1) plot for gardening.

If a participant agrees to donate 10 percent of their produce to the Heart and Hands Ministries Food Bank in Salado, the annual cost for plot will be \$10.

The minimum age for membership is 17.

Each of the 42 plots has a raised planting bed with fresh top soil. The garden is surrounded by an 8' coated fence with a secure entrance. Water is available for garden on site for use by members, at no cost to members.

Access to the garden plots will be dawn to dusk daily.

Application forms are available at the Village of Salado municipal building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd. or on the Village of Salado website (saladotx.gov)

Following are the rules for the Community Garden:

1. Members shall have something planted in their assigned plot no later than two (2) weeks after the date their membership was approved and their plot was assigned.

2. Members shall keep their plot planted at all times.

3. Members shall notify the Garden Leadership if they must their abandon their plot for any reason

4. Members shall keep weeds and dead plants at a minimum and maintain the areas immediately surrounding their plot and adjacent walkways.

5. Members shall keep their plants out of the ad-

acent walkways and contained within their plot.

6. Unkept plots are subject to reassignment to another member.

7. Members shall keep trash and litter out of their plots, as well as from adjacent walkways and perimeter fencing.

8. Members shall till and have their plots ready for the next member to plant prior to the expiration of their membership.

9. Pets are prohibited in the Community Garden.

10. Members shall pick only their own crops unless given permission by another member to do so.

11. Members shall not use chemical fertilizers, insecticides or weed repellents and will grow their garden using organic growing practices.

12. Members shall not plant tall crops where they will shade neighboring plots.

13. Members shall not abuse or misuse any and all

Community Garden property, including gardening tools that may be provided.

14. Members shall not leave their children unattended in the Community Garden, nor shall they allow them to interfere with other members or other plots not assigned to them.

15. Members shall not share the combination lock number to the Community Garden's access gate with anyone.

16. If a member resigns during a planting season, the member's plot will be given to the next applicant on the membership waiting list.

17. Members shall notify the Community Garden Leadership of any problems or concerns related to the garden.

For more information about the program, contact Dr. Jerry Herrick at 254-718-9620 or Village Administrator Don Ferguson at 254-947-5060.

Primary run-off early voting starts May 14

Early voting in political primary run-off elections will be 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. on May 14 - 18.

The primary run-off election will be 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. on May 22.

Salado voters will vote on election day at the Salado Civic Center.

For Bell County voters, early voting will be conducted in person each week-day at:

Belton - Bell County Courthouse Annex, 550 East

2nd Avenue

Killeen - Bell County Annex, 301 Priest Drive or Killeen Community Center, 2201 E. Veterans Memorial Boulevard

Temple - Bell County Annex, 205 East Central Avenue

Salado - Salado Civic Center, 601 North Main Street
Harker Heights - Parks & Recreation Center, 307 Millers Crossing

If you voted in the March primary, you can only vote

in the party primary in which you voted the first time. If you did not vote in the March primary, you can vote in the primary runoff election.

Below are the candidates:

REPUBLICAN State Representative, District 54

Scott Cospier
Brad Buckley
Justice, 3rd Court Of Appeals District, Place 6
Michael "Mike" Toth
Donna Davidson

District Judge, 264th Judicial District

Paul LePak
Jeff Parker

County Commissioner Precinct 2

Bobby Whitson
Tim Brown

DEMOCRAT U.S. Representative, District 31

Mary Jennings "MJ" Hegar

Christine Eady Mann

Governor

Andrew White
Lupe Valdez

Comptroller to speak in Salado

Salado Area Republican Women will host Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Glenn Hegar, at the next general meeting May 24.

Hegar is Texas' chief financial officer — the state's treasurer, check writer, tax collector, procurement officer and revenue estimator. He will provide an update on the financial state of Texas and review some of the initiatives he has taken to meet cash flow needs,

the effort to repeal eight minor but burdensome taxes and his part in ensuring that the Legislature cut taxes and fees by \$4 billion.

Prior to becoming Texas Comptroller, Hegar served in the Texas House of Representatives and Texas Senate, where he worked on a wide range of common-sense solutions to problems affecting Texans in areas such as public education, transportation, tax reform, government transparency, Second

Amendment rights, water issues and tort reform.

The meeting will start with a social time at 6 p.m. at Tenroc Ranch, Sirena Room, followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. McCain's Café and Bakery will be providing the catered dinner. Cost is \$20 per person prepaid or \$25 per person at the door.

To prepay send your check to SARW PAC, P.O. Box 373, Salado, TX 76571. Reservations must be received by May 18. The



Glenn Hegar

public is invited. RSVP to barbaraswarthout@outlook.com or call/text 414-491-2341.

FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



Economy shows historic 91 straight months of employment expansion

The Markets

Despite, or maybe, because of the good economic and earnings news during the week, the S&P 500 Index (SPX) declined another 0.24 percent to close 2663.42.

That leaves it down 0.38 percent so far this year but still up 11.01 percent from this time last year. The only thing that moved less than the stock market was the benchmark ten-year U.S. Treasury Note as its yield declined a whopping 1/100th of one percent to end the week yielding 2.952 percent.

The WSJ dollar index rose 1.01 percent for the week, leaving it down about 4 percent for one year and gold declined 0.61 percent to \$1,316 while oil (WTI) continued its climb, rising 2.68 percent to \$69.79. That puts the U.S. benchmark oil price up over 42 percent in a year, and it is showing at the gas pumps.

The Economy

The headline news is that April's first estimate for unemployment from the Labor Department came in at 3.9 percent, the lowest number since December 2000 while the economy added a net total of 164,000 jobs. That brings this year's average monthly hiring count to 200,000. April's job gains also break the all-time record for consecutive months of employment expansion at 91 months since October 2010. The overall economic expansion now has run for 107 months, becoming the second longest on record.

Unemployment dropping below 4 percent has only occurred three times before since WWII, and two of those three were during war-time with the military draft accounting for a large part of the low

Market & Economic Update

By Jeffrey W. McClure



unemployment rate. The only other time was during the tech boom of the late 1990s and the year 2000. In all of those previous events inflations has taken off and had to be tamped down by the Federal Reserve raising rates, which ultimately led to recessions. This time around wages since this time last year have only risen 2.9 percent. That matches well with the 2 percent annual increase in the Personal Cost Expenditures (PCE) index announced by the Fed earlier in the week.

The single worrisome note in all this good economic news is that the labor force slightly contracted in April and that, in part, contributed to the drop in the unemployment rate. Still, our labor force has grown 1.3 percent in the last 12 months. Productivity did rise for the month and is up 1.1 percent from a year ago. Meanwhile, the number of job openings posted continue to grow considerably faster than the labor force, and there is anecdotal evidence that wages could soon be growing at a 4 percent annual rate. That could easily force the Fed into faster interest rate increases and set the stage for a recession around 2020.

The Institute for Supply Management (ISM) reported that its non-manufacturing index, which includes quite literally everything in business except manufacturing, fell from 59.9 back in January to 58.2 in April. Since any reading above 50 indicates expansion, it is still a positive report but indicates that the rate of

growth in the economy is slowing. Respondents to the survey cited rising prices for raw materials and difficulty in finding qualified workers as the source of the slower rate of growth. They also reported that companies are holding off on expansion plans in light of the uncertainty surrounding the growing threat of a trade war. At the same time in a separate report, the ISM announced that the U.S. manufacturing index has declined from March's 59.3 to 57.3 in April with surveyed businesses citing the same difficulties and concerns as the non-manufacturers.

With earnings reports largely in for the first quarter of 2018, it appears that corporate revenue has risen about 12.1 percent over the trailing year while corporate earnings (profits) were up about 25 percent. The sudden jump in profitability can be traced to a single item, the tax cuts instituted this year. The combined wisdom of stock market investors seems to have identified this issue as the SPX is up 11.01 percent and has largely ignored the sudden surge in profits as a one-time event that could vanish as quickly as it arrived.

Part of that investor caution is beginning to show in the agriculture industry where farmers and agribusinesses suddenly have found themselves with large surpluses as China has virtually halted orders for U.S. food while turning to Brazil and other large agriculture exporters for their new orders.

Thanks to community for its support of students, schools

On behalf of the Salado Independent School District, I want to thank our community for demonstrating its support of our students, staff and schools by approving the Salado ISD Bond Election.

Thank you to everyone who took the time to be informed about Salado ISD's bond and who came out to vote. The election results illustrate once again how deeply our community values public education.

Salado ISD voters set several records for our school district in this election:

Number of early voters = 1,495 (the previous record was 901 in 2005)

Total number of voters = 1,955 (the previous record was 1,474 in 2005)

Number of votes in support of a bond = 1,286 (the previous record was 833 in 2006)

Percentage of voters in support of a bond = 65.7% (the previous record was 59.1% in 2006)

Our community understands the need for additional space for our rising enrollment. I'm pleased to see our community recog-

Superintendent's Corner

by Dr. Michael Novotny



nized our efforts to reduce the out-of-district transfer enrollment and focus on the increasing resident enrollment.

Our community supports our schools. Given that the majority of residents do not have students in our schools, it took residents of all ages to view our schools as good neighbors and worthy of support, in order for the bond to be successful.

Our community is willing to invest in our schools. Our recent surveys show that the vast majority of our district residents believe they receive a good value from their investment in our schools. I believe last week's vote reaffirms that sentiment.

I would like to acknowledge the hard work of our long-range planning committee for putting together a package that truly prioritized and planned for the needs of our students and

staff. With the passing of this bond, we can continue to provide our students and staff with excellent educational facilities and academic programs while preparing for our future growth.

So what's next? Now that voters have approved our facilities proposal, we will begin working on the specific design, bidding, and construction of the projects. Estimated timelines for all of the projects will be shared with the public in the coming weeks.

In the meantime, please know how grateful I am to have the community's support as we embark on these facility projects to better serve the growing needs of our students and our community. Thank you for the confidence you place in Salado ISD and thank you for trusting us to meet the educational goals of our community's children.



Trump's Nobel Can Wait

Who would have guessed that a Trump crowd 15 months into his presidency would be chanting, "Nobel! Nobel! Nobel!"

As in Alfred Nobel, the Swedish inventor and philanthropist who created the prizes, including one for peace. The prize was on the minds of Trump fans thanks to developments on the Korean peninsula, where Kim Jong Un has stopped testing missiles and started love-bombing the South. Donald Trump has a typically modulated view of how much he had to do with this. "Everything," he told his Michigan rally. If that's too boastful, the president deserves credit for breaking with Barack Obama's policy of "strategic patience" that effectively meant accepting North Korea's march toward a nuclear-tipped ICBM.

Trump tightened up on a sanctions regime. And he undertook a Trumpian pressure campaign consisting of insults, fiery rhetoric, extreme ambiguity about his true intentions and bragadocio about the size of his nuclear button. If many in the United States were freaked out, it stands to reason that Kim took notice. This is all to the good, but nothing we have seen so far from Kim is inconsistent with the decadeslong North

Rich Lowry



Korean diplomatic pattern of selling us the same fake concessions in exchange for sanctions relief and economic benefits.

Inspiring talk with the South Koreans about a breakthrough to a new era of peace? To paraphrase Barack Obama's famous put-down of Mitt Romney, 1992, 2000 and 2007 all want their foreign policies back. High-flying joint declarations in each of those years proved meaningless.

Mothballing nuclear facilities as a sign of good faith? Kim is inviting the press to witness the shuttering of a tunnel complex used to test nuclear weapons. His father destroyed a cooling tower in front of the international media in 2008.

Promises to the U.S. to disarm? Pyongyang said it was ending its illicit plutonium program in the 1994 Agreed Framework. It said it was giving up "all nuclear weapons and existing nuclear programs" in 2005 as part of the so-called Six-Party Talks. It said in 2007 that it was agreeing to specific steps to follow through on its 2005 commitment. All

came to naught.

This is why the ultimate test of Trump's mettle isn't getting Kim to the negotiating table, but being willing to walk away from it.

He'd do well to familiarize himself with Ronald Reagan's high-wire summit with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev at Reykjavik in 1986. They audaciously discussed eliminating all nuclear weapons, before the Soviets demanded an end to the SDI missile-defense program. Reagan walked away. The summit was considered a failure, but Reagan had convinced the Soviets that we weren't going to give up our technological advantage over them.

Trump should conceive of his meeting with Kim as a continuation of his campaign of coercive diplomacy. Should it (in all likelihood) fail to elicit a credible decision by the North to give up its nukes, it should be the pivot toward an even harsher clampdown on the North.

None of the great and good are going to shower Trump with accolades for being cleareyed and tough-minded, but that's what his negotiations with Kim require. The Nobel can wait.

Rich Lowry is editor of the *National Review*.
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Saladoan looks for familiar names on current map, recalls old ones

To the Editor:

I reviewed the Shopping Map for Salado to find streets and roads that I knew when I lived in Salado but didn't find any.

I-35, Robertson Road, Stagecoach Road, the extension of the Holland Road and Mill Creek would all be constructed later. Main Street was known as Highway 81. Royal Street and Baines Drive were the Holland Road. Center Circle was known by everyone as "Shirt-Tail Bend."

Some of the roads or locations known by all were Old Belton Road, Watson Crossing, Busby Corner,

Your Voice

Letters to the Editor

Smith's Crossing, Dump-ground Road, Footbridge Crossing, Gravel Pit, Temple Boy Scout Camp, Rock Building, Aiken Hill, Wilkerson Bend, Hodge Road, Fullbright Hill and Dead Man's Corner.

Jamie Pirtle
Arlington

Dear Jamie,

Thank you so much for sharing your remembrances

of your days growing up in Salado. We appreciate all the old-time Saladoans who share their memories with us and we will always make space in our pages to share those memories and stories with our readers.

Thanks again and we look forward to more from you and from our other old friends in Salado. If you would like to share your memories and photos of growing up in "old Salado," send them to me at news@saladovillagevoice.com or via mail, Salado Village Voice, PO Box 587, Salado, TX 76571. You can visit our office, 213 Mill Creek Dr., Suite #125 and we will be happy to scan your oldtime photos.

Tim and Marilyn Fleischer
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P.S. We recently celebrated 30 years of marriage and 30 years of owning and operating the *Salado Village Voice* newspapers. We haven't reached old-timer status yet, but we're working on it. Many of my friends will tell you that I reached Old Grump status a long, long time ago. They would be right.

Genealogy Workshops held during Texas History Days In Salado

Genealogical research is a complex process that uses family and historical records, genetic analysis, and intensive research to discover and verify ancestry.

The genealogy workshop will be held during Texas History Days in Salado Festival conducted by Martha Everman Jones, Ph.D.

This award-winning educator will be teaching four 90-minute workshops from her repertoire starting at 10 a.m. June 8 with "How To Begin Climbing Your Family Tree" following at 3 p.m. with "Gone to Texas" featuring the locations and retrieval of Texas land and genealogical records. June 9 at 10 a.m. begins with "Rounding Up Resources on the Horizon" for gene-

alogical record retrieval outside Texas, followed at 3 p.m. with "Tying It All Together--DNA and Where To Next?"

These two days of genealogical instruction will offer a solid starting point for beginning, continuing, and sharing your family history research.

Classes will be held at the Salado Civic Center. Registration is recommended but not required. The workshops are 18 and under free, adults \$10 per workshop and admission can be purchased at the door. For more information, check the Texas History Days In Salado Website www.texashistorysalado.com or by emailing linda@tbcinternational.com.



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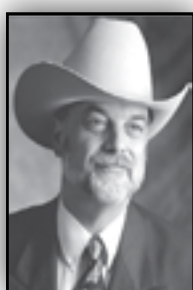
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Gospel Music duo performs May 20 to raise funds for Body of Christ Community Clinic

An award-winning Gospel Music duo will be the featured artists at Christ Episcopal Church's benefit concert to raise money for the Body of Christ Community Clinic.

Body of Christ Community Clinic provides basic health services to Belton-Salado area residents who have no health insurance, inadequate health insurance or no means to obtain basic health services.

The concert will be 4 p.m. May 20 in the Parish Hall of Christ Episcopal Church, 300 N. Main St., Temple.

The Easlons, composed of Jason Francis and Pat Campbell, appear regularly at Gospel Music festivals, churches and concerts.

The Easlons, deeply rooted in Southern Gospel and Christian Country music, began as a family duo by Pat's parents. They eventually passed on the name to Pat, who then teamed up with Jason.

Francis's solo career has taken him to some of the finest venues including concert halls, churches, cathedrals, and auditoriums throughout more than 40 states. His travels have



The Easlons: Jason Francis and Pat Campbell

led him throughout Western Europe and the United Kingdom.

Earlier this year, he formally signed to Redemption World Records in Nashville. His new CD will be released early this summer.

The Easlons were honored by their peers from The Gospel Music Artists Association as "Duo of the Year" at the 2018 Gospel Music Artists Association Convention.

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Summer Connect Schedule
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SUNDAY	WEDNESDAY
9:15 a.m. Sunday School	6 p.m. FBC-U (Adult Bible Study)
10:30 a.m. One Worship Service	6 p.m. Children's and Youth Activities*
	6 p.m. Choir Practice

* Contact church office for children's youth activities schedule

St. Joseph's Episcopal Church
Sunday School
Sun. 9 a.m.
Holy Eucharist
Sun. 10 a.m.



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Sermon Series focuses on God's Design for the Family

Grace Church in Salado invites you to join them in May and June for a new sermon series called, Thrive: God's Good Design for Family.

"No matter the state of your own family now, God has a good plan for it," said Daniel Rowe, Pastor of worship and administration. "Come and hear what the Bible has to say about who

we are, what our families are intended to be like, and how God's design leads to great joy."

Services begin at 10:30 a.m. each Sunday. Grace Church is located just two miles west of Salado High School on FM 2484.

For more information, check out gracesalado.com/ visit.

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l-r: past President of Cedar Knob Cemetery Association, Louis Curb.; U.S. State Representative Scott Cosper; Salado Mayor Skip Blancett; President of Cedar Knob Cemetery Association, Joan Jackson. (Courtesy Photo)

Cedar Knob Cemetery Historic Marker unveiled on May 5

Dedication of a Texas State Historical Marker was held at Cedar Knob Cemetery May 5. More than 100 people were in attendance. Prayer was offered by Rev. Joe Keyes, Salado Church of Christ. The Junior ROTC Color Guard, Marine Corps of Belton ISD presented the colors under the direction of GY SGT Jose Torres, Marine Instructor. Salado High School Eagle Band, under the direction of Charla Kelley played the National Anthem and Texas Our Texas. U.S. State Representative Scott Cosper was the main speaker and gave a history of Cedar Knob Cemetery. Salado Mayor Skip Blancett conducted the unveiling of the historical marker and acceptance by Louis Curb, past president and mem-

ber of Pioneer family Presentation of Certificates of Commendation were given to: Joan Jackson, President of Cedar Knob Cemetery Association, Velda Carrol, Treasurer, Kimberly Black, Secretary, Louis Curb, Pat Alexander Smith and Bill Alexander, all pioneer families and past cemetery officers. The marker is located 8 miles west on 2484.

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RICHARD J. PEREIRA
DECEMBER 23, 1946
MAY 1, 2018

Funeral services for Richard J. Pereira, 71, of Salado, formerly from Killeen, TX, will be held at 12:00 noon on Tuesday, May 8, at First Baptist Church of Salado with burial at Central Texas State Veteran's Cemetery. Visitation is from 6 to 8 p.m., Monday, May 7, at Harper-Talasek Funeral Home in Killeen.

Pereira passed away on May 1, 2018 at a Temple hospital.

Richard was born December 23, 1946 in Bronx, N.Y. to Gonzalo and Aida Fernandez Pereira.

He married Carolyn Huggins on April 16, 1981 in Killeen by Judge Madge Turland.

His father was in the U. S. Army and moved to Killeen in 1958. Richard graduated from Killeen High School in 1965 and received a track scholarship. He attended Temple Junior College from 1965 to 1967 and was on the Dean's List in 1967. He then went to Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos, TX, still a collegiate runner, and was a member of Pi Gamma Mu National Honors Society in Social Studies. He graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Education in 1969.

After graduation, Richard joined the U. S. Marine Corps and went to Officer Candidate School at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, which is known as the "Home of Expeditionary Forces in Readiness." He was commissioned 2nd Lieutenant in 1969 as Combat Engineer Officer. He served two tours in Vietnam from 1969-1972 and achieved the rank of Captain before being honorably discharged in 1972. His military medals include the National Defense Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Service Medal (with one bronze service star) and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal.

In 1972 Richard began his career in education as the head track coach and assistant football coach in Florence, TX. From 1974-1977, he taught history at Fairway Middle School. Then in 1977, he taught history at Smith Middle School. During his career at Smith Middle School, he received his Master's Degree in Criminal Justice from A.T.U. in Killeen which is now known as T.S.U. Central Texas. After Smith Middle School, he taught at Ellison High School from 1982 to 1992. He received another Master's Degree, in Counseling, in 1992 while working at EHS. From 1992-1994 he was a Guidance Counselor at EHS and became the Guidance Counselor and Registrar at Pathways Learning Center from 1994-2007. During his tenure at KISD he also drove a school bus for KISD for 19 years (from 1973 to 1992).

Richard was a Real Estate Broker with Century 21 in Killeen from 1982-1986 and was top salesman in 1983 while still working at EHS.

From 2004-2008, Richard also worked as a Residential Appraiser with Fred Garvin Appraisal in Killeen.

Richard was an avid hunter and fisherman, loved RV'ing and being outdoors with his family. His favorite time of year was when deer season opened. Years ago he was a deer guide on Fort Hood. Richard loved all animals, especially horses. He was a member of Copperas Cove and Killeen Riding & Roping Club and would ride in the grand entry at the rodeos. His horse qualified for the National Finals in Bowie, TX in 1980.

Richard loved to fix things and was always working on projects. Three years ago he started making custom writing pens and knives. He also made deer antler lamps. After retirement of 38 years with KISD, he moved to Salado. In 2007 he started working as Facilities Supervisor for First Baptist Church in Salado and started driving a school bus for Salado ISD.

Richard was a workaholic. In fact, a couple of months ago he said, "I'm going to work till the day I die." Well, he did that!

He is survived by his wife, Carolyn Pereira of Salado, sons, Robert J. Pereira of Salado and Randall J. Pereira and wife, Chasity, of Wichita Falls, TX, daughter, Patricia Elaine Trueblood of Belton, TX, sister, Aida Brinegar and her husband, Gary, of Belton, TX. Richard has eight grandchildren, two great grandchildren and two nieces.

Richard's kindness, graciousness and fun-loving spirit drew in all who met him. He was intelligent with a great sense of humor. He leaves cherished memories for all.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation; 230 East Ohio Street, Suite 500; Chicago, IL 60611.
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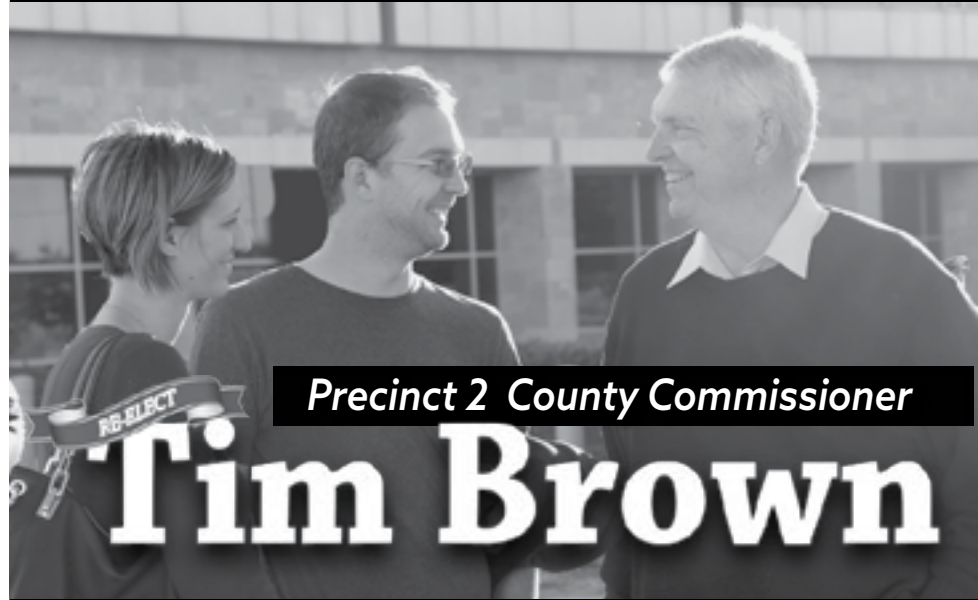


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Annual Salado Reunion held May 9 at Intermediate

The annual Salado Reunion is held on the second Saturday of June, which falls on June 9 this year. The reunion will be held at the Salado Intermediate School at 550 Thomas Arnold Road.

The Salado Reunion provides an opportunity for former students, teachers, families and friends to enjoy a time of visiting and remembering. Attendance is open to all.

The registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. Attendees are welcome to stay and visit until 3:30 p.m.

A catered lunch of chicken fried steak, gravy, red skin potatoes, green beans, salad, bread, drink will be prepared by Captain Red's of Hutto (a business owned by a Salado alumnus). Desert will also be provided at the reunion. Lunch tickets are \$10 per plate and reservations should be made by June 1. For any questions regarding the reunion, contact Sherry Jackson at 254-760-0663 or Linda Cawthon at 254-721-3095.


The meal will be served at noon, following a short business meeting.

There will be ample visiting time both before the meeting, during and after lunch. Special recognition will be given to classes celebrating anniversaries of graduations (such as 25th, 50th, etc.)

Recognition will also be given to the one who traveled farthest to attend, the oldest graduate in attendance, the youngest in attendance, and the oldest teacher in attendance.

In conjunction with the reunion, the Salado School Alumni Association (SSAA) will also sponsor its 3rd Annual Food Drive in support of Salado Family Relief. The Alumni Association has determined that this is the best way to reach the most Salado students and their families who are in need of assistance. Please bring one or more current non-perishable food items. The Association hopes this will be a very successful annual event.

For questions regarding the Salado Alumni Association or the association's food drive, contact Nancy Sheppard Carter at 254-947-5196.



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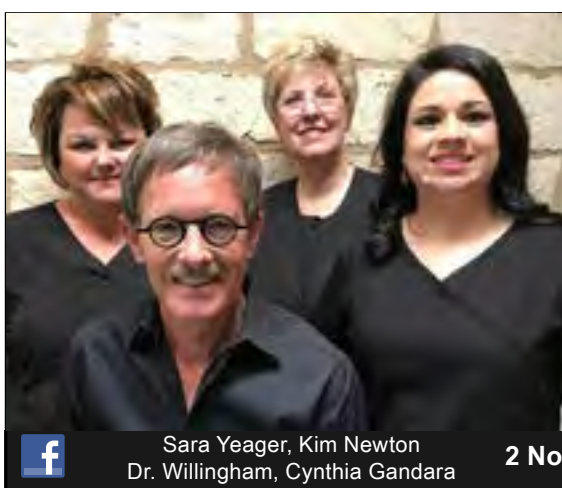
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Salado sits in second at UIL State Academic

With the second place Spelling team and second place Mathematics teams at the State UIL Academic Meet, Salado trails Argyle with speech contest results pending.

Here are the results that have come in from the State Meet so far:

Mathematics
 2nd place team
 Kayla Manning (1st place individually)
 Ben Sunshine (9th place individually)
 Elizabeth Won
 Trey Sheppard

Spelling and Vocabulary
 2nd place team
 Kayla Manning (1st place individually)
 Kimberly Kendall
 Madeline Sunshine
 Matthew Stahnke

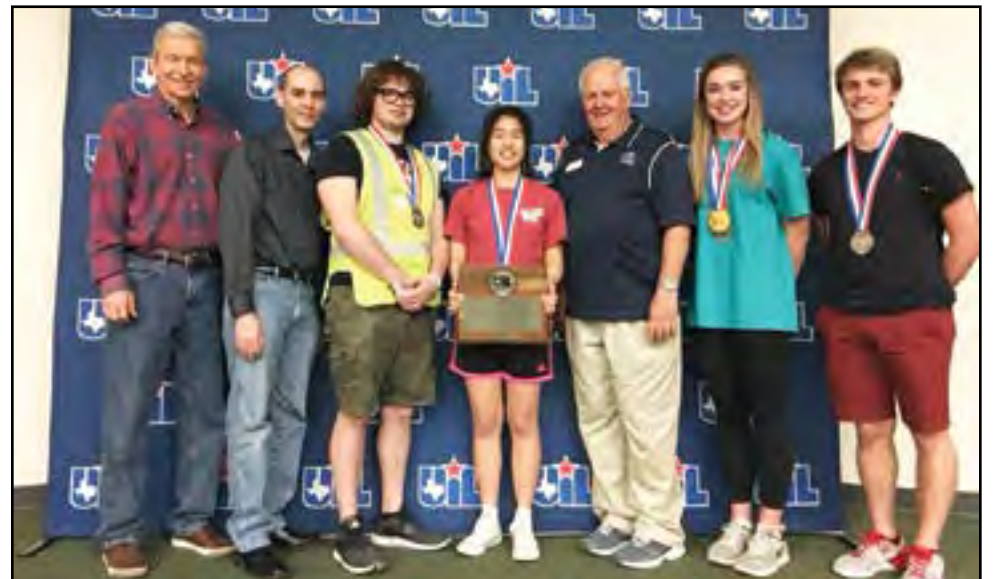
Theatre
 2nd place team

Number Sense
 5th place team
 Trey Sheppard (9th place individually)
 Ryan Kyburz
 Andrew Novotny
 Ryder Haas

Congress
 1st place Gracie Rhoads
 5th place Christian Ortiz



Spelling team: Matt Stahnke, Kayla Manning (first place), Kimberly Kendall, and Madeline Sunshine. (COURTESY PHOTO)



Mathematics team: Coaches Dennis Cabaniss and Brian Osborne with members of the first runner-up mathematics state team: Ben Sunshine, Elizabeth Won, UIL mathematics official, Kayla Manning (first place), and Trey Sheppard. (COURTESY PHOTO)

Film Documentary
 5th place The People's Car

Film Narrative
 1st place 5
 2nd place Blank Eyes



University Interscholastic League now offers additional journalism contests through its scholastic press organization, Interscholastic League Press Conference. ILPC offers its members yearbook, newspaper, and broadcast competitions. The following Salado students won awards at the ILPC State level: Roxi Thrasher, State Champions in Commercial Presentation; Faith Madsen, Grace Graham and Lindsey Neas, State Champions in Anchor Team Presentation; Heidi Kelley and Rayne Polkowski, Bronze Medal in Commercial Presentation and Faith Madsen and Jessie Laverdiere, Bronze medal in Introduction Sequence. Shown above (from left to right) are Roxi Thrasher, Grace Graham, Faith Madsen, and Lindsey Neas. (COURTESY PHOTO)

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China Spring sweeps Lady Eagles at Area

China Spring swept the Salado Lady Eagles in the area round of the softball playoffs, scoring the winning runs in the final two innings both times.

China Spring scored two runs in the sixth inning to pull ahead of Salado to win the second game of their best of three series on May 5. Jenna Kuligowski drove in two runs with a double to put China Spring ahead.

Salado scored runs in the second and third innings. In the second, Chris Wilson doubled. Courtesy runner Abbie James advanced on a fly-out by Rylee Oborski. She scored when a pick-off throw to third went past the third baseman.

The Lady Eagles took the lead in the third. Wilson

hit a single to score Piper Randolph for a 2-1 lead.

China Spring knotted the game at 2-2 on a fifth-inning homer by Elisabeth Paul.

Emma Tatsch homered to right field, scoring two runs to lead China Spring over the Salado Lady Eagles in the bottom of the seventh of their first game in a best-of-three series for the Region III 4A Area playoff on May 3.

Bailey Tindell was one strike away from getting a 3-2 win after Tatsch fouled and swung at her second pitch. Tatsch took her third pitch for the game-winning homer. Tatsch did the same thing in the fifth inning the week before to beat Mex-

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UMHB honors first male graduates 50 years after school went co-ed

University of Mary Hardin-Baylor's spring commencement ceremony on May 5 was unlike any that had come before it. Along with celebrating the school's 162nd graduating class, the university paid special tribute to the first male graduates of Mary Hardin-Baylor, some five decades ago when the school was officially still a college for women.

In September of 1967, the Board of Trustees voted in favor of allowing men to earn degrees, and the school, then called Mary Hardin-Baylor College, began the process of becoming co-educational. Though the school began allowing men to complete their degrees at MHB, the decision was not a popular one among the alumni and students.

"As with most change, there was resistance," President Randy O'Rear told the thousands in attendance at Crusader Stadium May 5. "I think the phrase on some of the ladies' protest signs explains just how the females felt," O'Rear said. "Their signs read, 'Better Dead Than Co-ed.'"

Because of this resistance, male graduates were not allowed to walk the graduation stage with their female classmates until the



Saladoan Bill Smith was among a group of early male graduates from UMHB to be honored on the 50th anniversary of the university going co-ed. (PHOTO COURTESY BONNIE SMITH)

fall of 1972.

Saladoan Bill Smith was among the early male graduates to be honored. He graduated from UMHB in 1970.

"This year marks the 50th anniversary of the first male graduates of UMHB," O'Rear said, "and I cannot think of a more fitting honor for these gentlemen than finally allowing them to

walk the stage."

All male graduates from the classes of 1968 through 1971 were invited to return to campus this spring for the special recognition at commencement, and eleven men came and participated in the ceremony. As they walked across the stage in their black robes and mortarboards, they were treated to the cheers and applause

of both the crowd in the stands and graduating students on the field.

Of course, each of the men had already received his diploma, so each was presented a Bible engraved with his name and class year, instead.

"After all," O'Rear told them, "the Bible has better instructions than a diploma."

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Softball

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ia in the first round of the playoffs.

The Lady Eagles scored a run in the first and two in the fifth to lead 3-0 going into the final two at-bats for China Spring.

Piper Randolph led off

the game by earning a walk. She stole second base and scored on a double to center field by Amanda Cantu. China Spring was able to get out of the inning by leaving runners stranded at first and second.

China Spring left runners on first and second in the first and third innings and on second in the second inning. Batters reached first in the fourth and fifth innings.

Erin Faske was left on first after singling to left to lead off the second. No runners reached in the third or fourth innings for Salado.

Reese Preston walked to lead off the fifth for Salado. Elizabeth Ford reached on an error to put runners on first and second. Preston was put out trying to go to third on a fielder's choice that put Randolph on first and Ford at second. Runners advanced on a ground-out to the pitcher. Breigh Oliver hit a looping single to centerfield to score both

runners and give Salado a 3-0 lead.

China Spring loaded the bases and Taylor Clark doubled to score Cam Bevins and Kyndal Starnes who both reached on singles to narrow Salado's lead to 3-2 after six.

Preston walked and stole second in the seventh, but was left stranded.

After Tindell hit Paul with a pitch, Tatsch took an 0-2 pitch and sent it over right to score the winning runs.

China Spring had nine hits and four earned runs against Tindell.

Elisabeth Paul struck out three, walked four and allowed three hits in her win on the mound.

Salado soccer players earn TASCOC honors

Several Salado High School Varsity Soccer Players have received recognition from TASCOC (Texas Association of Soccer Coaches).

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Eagles score 5 in 6th to pull out win

Salado faces China Spring in Area round of playoffs

Salado Eagles had six singles in the fifth, scoring five runs to pull ahead of the La Grange Leopards in their one-game playoff on May 3, winning 5-4.

The Eagles will face China Spring in the Area Round in a three game series at Troy High School. Game 1 will be 5 p.m. May 11 with game 2 a half hour after the conclusion of game 1. Ticket Prices are \$6 Adult/\$4 Student. If necessary, game 3 will be 11 a.m. May 12 with \$6 tickets for adults, \$4 for students.

La Grange held the Eagles scoreless through four innings.

Mason Muras walked to lead off the second inning. He advanced on a single by Weston Aymond and scored on a one-out single by Ryan Cooper for a 1-0 lead.

Parker Gage walked to lead off the third. He scored on a double to left by Tyler Johnson for a 2-0 lead.

Max Marin started off the bottom of the fifth for the Eagles with a single, followed by singles by Caleb Self, Kade Maedgen and Belton Farr. Ryan Oakes also singled. Marin, Self, Maedgen and Farr all scored. Oakes scored on a sacrifice fly by Mac Miller.

Oakes got the win on the mound for Salado. He struck out five, walked two and allowed four hits and two runs.

Salado	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO
R Oakes	3	1	1	1	0	0
D Hawes	3	0	1	1	0	0
J Wilk	3	0	1	0	0	0
R Hale	2	0	1	1	1	0
M Miller	2	0	0	1	0	1
M Marin	3	0	1	0	0	0
C Self	3	1	2	0	0	0
K Meadgen	3	0	1	0	0	0
B Farr	3	1	1	1	0	1
P Shelley	0	1	0	0	0	0
K Baird	0	1	0	0	0	0
W Brown	0	0	0	0	0	0
D Dobbins	-	-	-	-	-	-
D Heath	-	-	-	-	-	-
G Knight	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	25	5	9	5	1	2



Ryan Oakes got the win on the mound for the Salado Eagles against the La Grange Leopards. He struck out five batters, walked two and allowed four hits and two runs. (PHOTO BY DEEDEE HAWES)

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County Commissioner Candidate profiles

Incumbent Tim Brown is facing challenger Bobby Whitson in a political primary runoff election for Bell County Commission Precinct 2 on May 22. Early voting is May 14-18.

Salado Village Voice asked them for a short biography and to answer the following questions:

Question 1: Why are you seeking election now? What qualities do you have that make you the best choice for the position? (150 words or less)

Question 2: What do you see as the greatest challenge facing the Bell Co Commissioners in the next 10 years? How do you plan to address it through the commissioners court, if elected? (150 words)

Question 3: Faced with budget cuts or a tax increase, which would you prefer? If budget cuts, which departments? (100 words)



Tim Brown

Precinct 2 Commissioner Tim Brown is currently serving in his sixth term on the Commissioners Court. Prior to taking office, he was an independent designer, builder and land use planner. He holds Bachelor of Environmental Design and Master of Science in Land Development degrees from Texas A&M University. Since taking office in 1995, he has been instrumental in strategic planning, project development and management for major capital projects for the county.

He is active in intergovernmental affairs and state policy development in several areas affecting local governments. He was appointed by Gov. George Bush the Texas Courthouse Preservation working group and to the Texas Historical Commission Oversight Committee for the Texas Courthouse Preservation Grant Program. He is recognized state wide as a leader in transportation policy. He was a charter member and two-time President of NASCO, the nation's premier corridor coalition. He chaired the Trans-Texas Corridor Citizens Advisory Committee, the TTC-35 Advisory Committee and the I-35 Advisory Committee for the State of Texas under Gov. Rick Perry. The plan developed by the latter committee served as a blueprint for major system improvements currently under construction.

He currently serves on the Board of Directors and Policy Committee of the Texas Conference of Urban Counties. He is a Past-President and current board member of the Central Texas Council of Governments. He is Past-President and current member of the Killeen-Temple Metropolitan Planning Organization. He is member of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of the Hill Country Community Action association.

He serves on the Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group. He also leads the Edwards Aquifer Adaptive Management Coalition managing research directed toward groundwater and critical habitat protection in southern Bell County.

Tim and his wife, Lana, have two grown children.

Question 1: I'm seeking a final term because we have some unfinished goals. I'm in the lead on several ongoing initiatives that are vital to our region. Our collaborative research on our part of the Edwards aquifer is critical to Salado for several reasons, and that project is pretty much my baby. I have several regional transportation goals in the early planning stages. I'm restarting an effort to develop a regional flood control plan and we're rewriting our subdivision ordinances to place greater emphasis on storm water management. These are all complex undertakings and I want to see significant progress on all of them before I retire.

I have the technical exper-

tise and experience to deal with these kinds of initiatives and a proven ability to move complex projects like these forward.

Question 2: Quite simply, the demands of growth will drive everything. Our single biggest challenge will be to meet those demands and, at the same time, contain costs. The issues are not new – just bigger and more complicated. Counties are service providers and a growing population equals more consumers of those services – roads, public safety, criminal justice, etc. Our challenge is compounded by the fact that in recent years the state has passed an ever-increasing share of program responsibilities down to local governments without funding assistance.

There are no easy solutions but we will continue do what we have done with proven success – be proactive and creative in developing projects, finding ways to increase efficiency, and managing the business of the county with tight-fisted frugality.

Question 3: Given that simple choice, we'd probably do both. But it's really not a matter of preference. Our duties and responsibilities are mandated by state law and we'll do what we must to meet our constitutional responsibilities. Since we've pretty much set the benchmark for efficiency already, there really isn't much to cut without getting into to the basic services across the board. Austerity measures would first hit non-essential departments like Information Technologies and the Bell County Museum, and secondary efforts like our help centers, meals-on-wheels, the extension service, groundwater research, etc. After that, the effects would be felt in the quality of our roads, and response times for public safety, case completion rates for the courts, etc. That said, my goal is to keep fighting to get the job done with the resources we've got.



Bobby Whitson

Bobby Whitson, age 43, has lived his entire life in Precinct 2.

Growing up in rural Bell County taught me to appreciate the value of our people, natural resources, and military presence.

He is a graduate of Texas A&M University and the Southwestern Graduate School of Banking at Southern Methodist University. He has 20 years of executive management in banking in Killeen and Harker Heights. He is the President/CEO of Greater Central Texas Federal Credit Union in Killeen.

He has held positions as a Mortgage Lender, Commercial/Construction/Development Lender, Compliance Officer, Human Resources Officer, Marketing Officer, Executive VP, and President. He is also an independently licensed Mortgage Loan Originator (NMLS# 469502) and

Licensed Auctioneer (TXLIC# 15023).

Whitson serves as a fireman for Salado Fire and Rescue, the Secretary for Central Texas Council of Governments' Development District of Central Texas, the President of the Killeen/Ft. Hood USO Advisory Board, Past President of the Harker Heights Rotary Club, member of the Village of Salado Public Safety, Economic Development, and Pace Park Advisory Committees, Advisor for the Southwestern Graduate School of Banking at SMU, and volunteers for many other organizations to include Keep Salado Beautiful, Salado and Harker Heights Chambers of Commerce, Salado High School Athletic Boosters, and Ducks Unlimited.

Whitson says that his professional and personal experiences have proven his ability to operate a private business, financial cooperative, and community oriented activities efficiently and effectively. "These same skills," he says "in leadership, human resource management, financial analysis, budgeting, economic development, public safety, regulatory compliance, natural resource management, and communication are all integral to a County Commissioner's responsibilities."

Whitson and his wife of 21 years, Deanna, have two children, Madison and Bo, who are Seniors at Salado High school and are simultaneously earning their Associates Degrees at the Texas Bioscience Institute in Temple.

Question 1: In my 20 year professional career, I have been active in our community as a Commercial/Residential/Agricultural Lender, Compliance Officer and, currently, President/CEO of Greater Central Texas Federal Credit Union. I have participated in various civic/non-profit organizations, and municipal committees on veterans affairs, water resources, parks and recreation, economic development, and public safety. These activities have honed my skill in these areas and are necessary skills needed to manage a county government, but an official's technical expertise is useless to residents if that official ignores their needs. That is why my leadership and communication skills, accessibility, and love of this community, used in conjunction with my technical expertise makes me the best candidate and is also why I am running now. It is time we have a Commissioner who listens to us and is attentive to our needs rather than habitually absent from our community until election season.

Question 2: Growth. Ensuring water availability, maintaining public safety, improving an aged road and bridge system and attracting quality commercial development are all major concerns related to growth. While the Commissioners Court may not be able to directly control all aspects of any of these issues, it is vitally important that growth be mitigated by a concerted effort of Federal, State, County, and Local Government to foster economic development targeted at businesses that attract quality jobs and diversify our economy. Without water, adequately trained and equipped Law Enforcement/Fire/EMS, and suitable roads, businesses cannot grow and we will become more dependent on residential properties to carry the burden. As Commissioner, I will continue to use the healthy relationships that I have fostered in our community to facilitate cooperation between government officials, economic development corporations, chambers of commerce, and Fort Hood to collaborate on worthwhile business development opportunities.

Question 3: Budget cuts, but in Bell County, taxable market value has increased 19.3% from \$18.3 Billion in 2014 to \$22.7 Billion in 2017 resulting in increased revenue of 12.7% while only increasing our population by 8.1%. This means more money is available per capita every year so neither tax increases nor budgets cuts are necessary. This is why public safety, adequate transportation infrastructure and quality economic development is essential to add market value (increasing ad valorem tax revenue) and create jobs (increasing sales tax revenue) so that neither budget cuts nor tax rate increases are necessary.



Skip Blancett

Mayor Village of Salado

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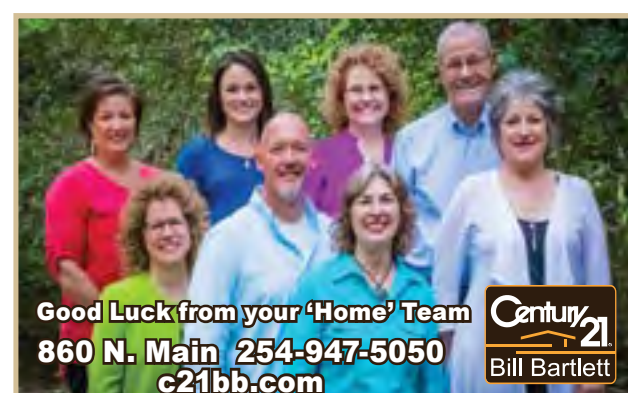



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Texas MGs will be on display on the grounds of The Venue by Inn on the Creek on May 12. The Texas MG Register gathers in Salado every year on Mother's Day weekend. It has been more than 90 years since the first MG was built. Shown above, is a 1935 P-Type MG.

The Tradition Continues Gathering of the Faithful May 10-13

The Texas MG Register 2018 Spring Gathering of the Faithful will be held for the 43rd time in Salado on May 10-13.

The theme this year "The Tradition Continues" celebrates the magic of the cars and the many friendships made through the years. The GOF is an opportunity to see old friends and make new acquaintances. The trials and tribulations of owning, driving and maintaining these small British sports cars helps create a special bond with MG owners as knowledge is shared in keeping them on the road.

The event starts at the Salado Winery 4 p.m. May 10. There will be scenic drives, lunches, dinners and time to visit other MG owners during the weekend. The car show will start at 10 a.m. May 12 and the Awards Banquet will be on Saturday night, both at the Venue. The host hotel will

be the Holiday Inn Express in Salado.

British automobile pioneer Cecil Kimber and his MG Motorcar Company Ltd. could hardly have imagined the impact their first sports car would have on the automotive world. And now more than 90 years later, and more than 35 years since the last MG rolled from the storied factory at Abingdon-on-Thames, that passion shows no sign of letting up.

This infatuation (some might say obsession!) is kept alive today by the more than 200 enthusiastic members of The Texas MG Register (TMGR). The TX MG Register was formed 43 years ago – and celebrated their very first event in Salado at the Stagecoach Inn. Since that time, TMGR members have always gathered in Salado during Mother's Day weekend – enjoying the town and celebrating their British cars.

TX MG Register members are custodians of more than 500 classic British automobiles, ranging from a 1930 M-Type fabric covered roadster to some of the last MGBs produced. TMGR members are devoted to maintaining and enjoying one of the world's favorite cars.

Most automotive historians agree that America's affection with open, two seat sports cars began with the MGTC model of the 1940's, a distinction acknowledged in later company advertising with the slogan "The sports car America loved first". Like many a bride, servicemen returning from England after World War II brought home the tiny British roadsters they fell in love with during the war. Slightly more refined TD and TF models followed, and it was devotees of these "T Series" MGs who formed the original Texas MG Register in 1975.

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Salado Rotary Club is seeking teams for its Barbecue cookoff on May 26. (ADOBE STOCK PHOTO)

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Mother's Day Sunday Buffet

MAY 13 seating 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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Que on Main Cook-off

The Salado Rotary Club is hosting the Salado Rotary BBQ Cook-Off on May 26.

They are currently seeking cooking teams so contact Salado Rotary by phone at 254-394-4100 or email saladorotaryfundraiser@gmail.com if you are interested in being a cooker.

Teams can enter for \$75 (\$100 late fee after May 15). Guidelines and map will follow closer to event.

This will be a fun, family event on Main Street for the entire community. BBQ smokers lined up and down Main Street for tasting and voting. Enjoy the shops, the creek, Pace Park, followed by a farmers market, food truck and band at the end of Main Street on Royal Street.

The public will be able to purchase a \$10 wrist band (13 and over) on day of event, 12 and under are free. The wrist bands will allow you to sample each cookers food, plus receive a scorecard to judge the BBQ entries on different categories. Each scorecard entry will be entered into a drawing for a grand prize for a wrist band purchaser.

For the BBQ teams, there will be four entries: brisket, ribs, chicken and beans. There will be a buckle for overall Grand Champion and Reserve Champion. Prizes for 1st-3rd places in each category. All categories will need to be entered to be eligible for the prizes.

Village of Salado Calendar of Events

MAY 10
Salado Ladies Auxiliary Meeting 9:30 a.m. at the Salado Church of Christ Activity Center

MAY 10
Chisholm Trail Chapter American Business Women's Style Show and Benefit Luncheon 11 a.m. at the Blue Heron room of Tenroc. info: (254) 947-3617 or Barclaymccort@gmail.com

MAY 10
Networking Meetup and M&M Mobile Food Truck (gluten free), 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co.

MAY 10-13
Gathering of the Faithful, Texas MG Register at The Venue by Inn on the Creek. Cars on Display on the grounds May 12.

MAY 11
Amy Day, 8:30 - 10:30



MAY 11
Family Movie Night on Salado Creek, 8:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing. Free, proceeds from the Friends of Salado Public Library concession stand benefits the Children's Collection. Hecho en Queso Food Truck and Barrow Brewing will donate a portion of their sales that evening. Blankets or chairs suggested for the viewing of SING.

a.m. at Amy's Attic, 3524 FM 2484. Stop by for refreshments and meet other leaders in the community

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MAY 11-12
Blow Your Own flowers hearts or bowls for Mother's Day. Book your times online at salado-glassworks.com

MAY 12
Heart and Hands Ministries food and clothing pantry 9 - 11 a.m. at Salado Plaza Shopping Center. Donation/volunteer info: 947-5465

MAY 12
Bikes & Brews, 9 a.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 12
Asanas & Ales, 10 a.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 12
Salado Masonic Lodge #296 will present service awards from the Grand Lodge of Texas to Robert Dewhurst for 65 years as a Mason, Richard Cunningham for 60 years as a Mason at 1 p.m. at the Lodge Hall, 90 S. Church St.. The meeting is open to the public and friends in the community are invited. The Lodge will present a 40-year service award to Darrell Street and a 25-year service award to Walt Tollefson. Prior to the awards ceremony, a Dutch treat luncheon will be held at Johnny's Steaks and Barbecue at noon.

MAY 12
Mother's Day Blooms, 1 p.m. at Salado Winery Co. Learn how to craft a gorgeous spring center-

piece as you sip a glass of locally crafted wine

MAY 12
Korean Kravings Food Truck at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 12
Farmers Market 4 - 8 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 12 - 13
Salado Market Days 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall

MAY 13
Mother's Day Menu at Stagecoach Inn, taking reservations 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. (254) 947-5111

MAY 13
Rib Tips BBQ Food Truck at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 14
Children's Story and Craft Time 11 a.m. at Salado Public Library. info: (254) 947-9191

MAY 14
Salado Village Artists meet: Knitters 1 - 3 p.m. and Stitches 1:30 - 4 p.m. at Salado Village Artists Building

MAY 14
Salado Chapter of Songsmith, 7-9 p.m. at Salado Public Library. Aspiring songwriters meet monthly for discussion and to share works in progress. info: suheflin@gmail.com

MAY 14 - MAY 18
Early Voting for May Primary Runoff in Bell County. Salado location: Salado Civic Center, 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. weekdays

MAY 15
Salado Village Artists meet 9 - 11 a.m. brush art crafting and needle work at Salado Village Artist building

MAY 15
Salado Rotary Club 11:30 a.m. at Johnny's Steaks and Barbecue

MAY 15
Sit and Knit 10 a.m. - noon at Salado Public

Library. info: (254) 947-9191

MAY 15
Salado Community Chorus practice 6 p.m. Salado Civic Center info: saladochorus.com

MAY 15
Bell County Genealogical Society Meeting 6:30 p.m. at Temple Public Library

MAY 16
Mah Jongg at Salado Public Library 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

MAY 16
Priest's Pint 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 17
Check Point Germany Food Truck at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 17
Salado Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting 8:30 a.m. at the Visitors Center

MAY 17
Run for Beer, 6 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 17
Village of Salado Board of Aldermen Workshop Session 6:30 p.m. at Municipal Building

MAY 17
Priest's Pint at 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

MAY 18
Father Charlie Davis Annual Fundraiser Golf Tournament at Mill Creek County Club. Sponsored by St. Stephen Catholic Church

MAY 18
Korean Kravings Food Truck at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 19
Bikes and Brews, 9 a.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 19
Lions Roar Track Meet hosted by Salado Lions Club. Registration deadline May 17 info: track-

forlife.com

MAY 19
Brookshire Brothers Crawfish Boil at 2 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 19
Bell County Star Party 8:30 - 11:30 p.m. at Overlook Park on Stillhouse Hollow Lake 3740 FM1670. Registration recommended at centex-astronomy.org

MAY 19
Divine Desserts at Tenroc Ranch benefiting the Children's Advocacy Center of Central Texas. Tickets to Divine Desserts are \$150 for a couple or \$85 per person. A Table can be reserved for \$650.

For more information, contact Holly McLean at 254-939-2946, extension

MAY 20
Salado 4H Meeting 4 p.m. at Salado High School Cafeteria

MAY 21
Children's Story and Craft Time 11 a.m. at Salado Public Library. info: (254) 947-9191

MAY 21
Salado Village Artists meet: Knitters 1 - 3 p.m. and Stitches 1:30 - 4 p.m. at Salado Village Artists Building

MAY 21
Salado United Methodist Women 5:45 p.m. at Salado United Methodist Church Room 117

MAY 21
Salado Democrats 7 p.m. at Salado Public Library

MAY 22
Primary Runoff Election for Bell County, 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. at Salado Civic Center

MAY 22
Salado Village Artists meet 9 - 11 a.m. brush art crafting and needle work at Salado Village Artist building

MAY 22
Sit and Knit 10 a.m. - noon at Salado Public Library. info: (254) 947-9191

MAY 22
Salado Community Chorus practice 6 p.m. Salado Civic Center info: saladochorus.com

MAY 23
Salado Lions Club 11:30 a.m. Salado Civic Center

MAY 24
Salado Area Republican Women meeting, 6 p.m. in the Sirena Room of Tenroc Ranch. Speaker: Glenn Hager, Texas Comptroller

MAY 25
Salado 4th Sip and Shop 5 - 8 p.m. across Salado

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Live Music in Salado

MAY 11
Turnpike Troubadours, 6 p.m. at Johnny's Outback. info: johnnyssteaksandbbq.com

MAY 12
Mandy Rowden, 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 19
Nick & Tim, 5 p.m. at Barrowing Brewing Co
G Samuels Band, 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

MAY 25
Fourth Gospel Singing 7 p.m. at Cedar Valley Baptist Church. Pot luck follows all are welcome

MAY 26
Cord Carpenter 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co



Turnpike Troubadours will perform at Johnny's Outback on May 11. Tickets are available online at johnnyssteaksandbbq.com. PHOTO BY DAVID McCLESTER

JUNE 1
Lone Star Legends Music Fest featuring Brandon Rhyder rescheduled 4 - 11 p.m. at John-

ny's Outback. Proceeds benefit an all-abilities playground for Salado sponsored by Sirena Fest. tickets at eventbrite.com



Local bakers and confectioners will compete in Desserts Wars on May 19 for Divine Desserts, at Tenroc Ranch, benefiting the Children's Advocacy Center of Central Texas.

Divine Desserts May 19

On May 19, the Children's Advocacy Center of Central Texas will be hosting Divine Desserts at Tenroc Ranch.

Guests will enjoy a wide array of scrumptious desserts provided by local bakeries as they compete for the title of Dessert Wars Champion, beverages, live entertainment by the GTOs, and a diverse and fun silent and live auction. Complimentary Beer and Wine provided.

Tickets to Divine Desserts are \$150 for a couple or \$85 per person. A Table can be reserved for \$650.

All the proceeds will benefit the agency and ensure child abuse victims in Central Texas receive the quality services that reduce pain and promote healing.

The mission of the Children's Advocacy Center of Central Texas is to provide comprehensive services

which protect, promote healing and enhance the quality of life for abused and neglected children in Central Texas through Children's Advocacy Center and Court Appointed Special Advocates programs. The agency serves 700 children and their families every year.

When children are abused and traumatized they are thrown into a legal and social system that, although well intended, is often not fully equipped to deal with these traumatized children. Children's Advocacy Center provides a safe, neutral place for children to come and tell their experiences to a trained forensic interviewer. This interviewer works with agency personnel through a multidisciplinary approach to child abuse. Child victims receive child focused services during investigation and beyond with

the assistance of advocacy center staff and team members.

When children are in a situation that is unsafe, the State has to remove those children and often place them in foster care. This experience for these children is confusing, scary and often lonely. Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) advocate for children who have been removed from their homes due to child abuse or neglect. CASA trains community volunteers to serve as advocates for these hurting children. They are a consistent source of support as the child moves through the court system. They provide the child with a voice in court and work toward ensuring every child has a safe and permanent home.

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Shopping Map of Salado

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

- 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 V
- 26 Salado United Methodist Church C
- 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 \$
- Zbranek Agency \$
- 40 W.A. Pace Memorial Park V
- 48 The Inn at Salado L
- 49 Lively Coffeehouse & Bistro D
- 55 Salado Family Dentistry \$
- 58 The Shoppes on Main S
- 60 Salado Creek Jewelry S
- 62 The Pizza Place D
- 65 ERA Colonial Real Estate \$
- 73 Cornett Corner \$
- Investment Realty \$
- First Eye Care Salado S
- 75 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 Salado Plaza \$
- 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
- 104 Hairitage Barber Shop \$
- 113 Salado Church of Christ C
- 118 Salado Antique Mall S
- Salado Market Days
- 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



Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



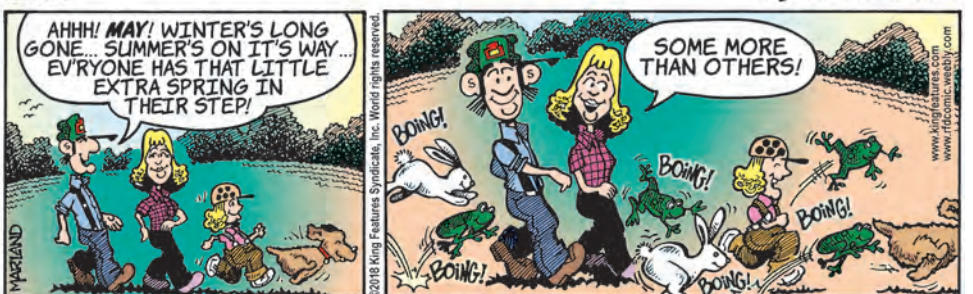
Out on a Limb

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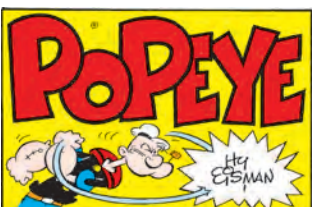
R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



- AD SLOGANS: Which company's ads advised consumers to "put a tiger in your tank"?
- U.S. STATES: Which state designated the American seagull as its official state bird?
- HISTORY: When was the potato introduced to Europe?
- OLYMPICS: How long is the balance beam used in women's gymnastics?
- GEOGRAPHY: What is the capital of Australia?
- PROVERBS: What is the end to this common proverb: "The early bird ..."?"



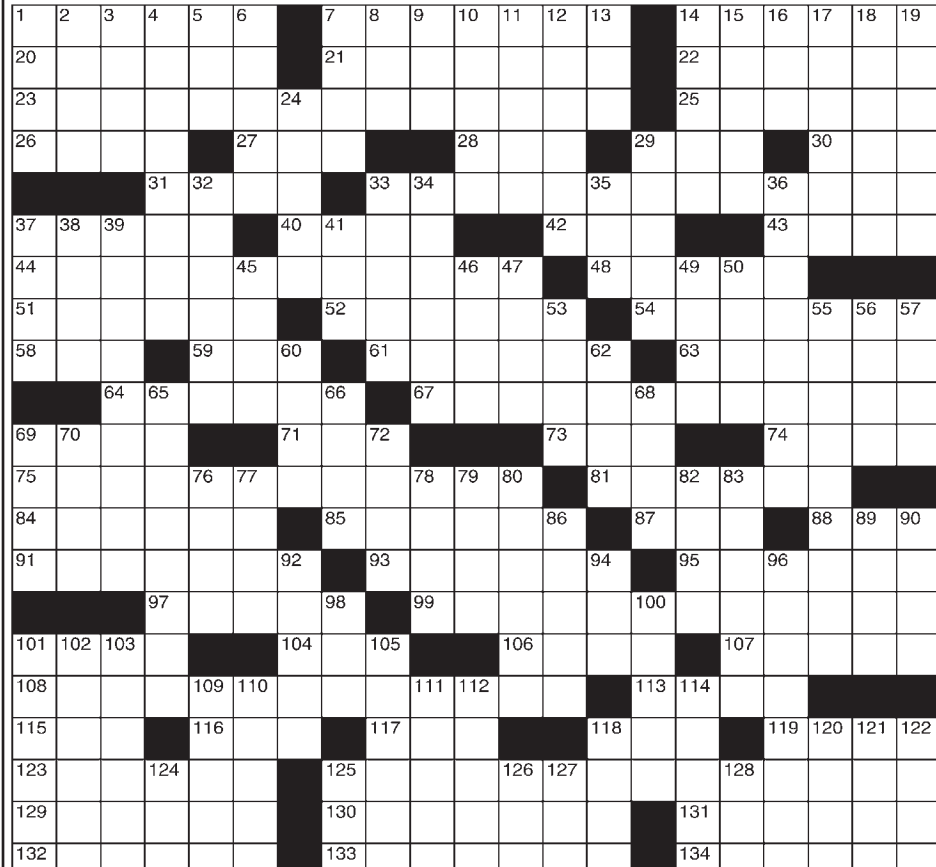
- MEASUREMENTS: What does a Geiger counter measure?
- FAMOUS QUOTES: Which 18th-century statesman and military leader observed, "Glory is fleeting, but obscurity is forever"?
- ASTRONOMY: Which planet is the closest to Earth?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What was the name of

- the first manufactured breakfast cereal?
- Answers
- Esso
 - Utah
 - 16th century
 - 16 feet, 5 inches
 - Canberra
 - ... gets the worm"
 - Radiation
 - Napoleon Bonaparte
 - Venus
 - Granula (1863)
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Super Crossword

FLEET GROUP

- ACROSS**
- 1 Ones doing stand-up
 - 7 Dancer's bodysuit
 - 14 Roosevelt's predecessor
 - 20 Wide road
 - 21 Work history summaries
 - 22 Unabridged
 - 23 What many a thin person has
 - 25 Be there for
 - 26 "What — is new?"
 - 27 Actor Benicio — Toro
 - 28 Here, to
 - 29 — carte (not prix fixe)
 - 30 Prefix with fascist
 - 31 Beams
 - 33 Specialty of many emergency teams
 - 37 Is sore
 - 40 Ballet move
 - 42 Dawn deity
 - 43 Nutrition Facts group
 - 44 Alternative to jogging
 - 48 Recurrent theme
 - 51 Often-stubbed digit
 - 52 Used a saber
 - 54 Color-mixing board
 - 58 Smoke waste
 - 59 — port (PC connection)
 - 61 Ladderlike in organization
 - 63 Charlton Heston film
 - 64 Harry at Hogwarts
 - 67 Cornmeal mush
 - 69 Starting on
 - 71 Jim-dandy
 - 73 "Mean Girls" actress
 - 74 Stretches of history
 - 75 Vigilante retribution, perhaps
 - 81 Informant
 - 84 Hindu belief
 - 85 Moment
 - 87 See
 - 88 China's Sun — sen
 - 91 Keeping up contact
 - 93 Bait
 - 95 Without risk
 - 97 Some lap dogs, briefly
 - 99 It doesn't stop at a lot of stations
 - 101 Big hauler
 - 104 Dernier — (latest thing)
 - 106 Bad guy in "Othello"
 - 107 Spine-chilling
 - 108 Improv comic's skill
 - 113 Sail support
 - 115 Clickable address
 - 116 State of rage
 - 117 Mattel man
 - 118 "Emmy" has two
 - 119 Had to repay
 - 123 Element in antiseptics
 - 125 Wish for getting better
 - 129 Shells out
 - 130 Australian sheepdogs
 - 131 Skitish
 - 132 Badger
 - 133 Moment
 - 134 Sculptures without limbs
 - 6 Dilapidated
 - 7 Kazakh river
 - 8 State north of Kan.
 - 9 The same, at the start?
 - 10 May bloom
 - 11 Friends, in Florence
 - 12 Have a home
 - 13 Brit. military honor
 - 14 Cures
 - 15 Scheduled
 - 16 Mel of the diamond
 - 17 Austrian port
 - 18 Borgnine with an Oscar
 - 19 Totally alters
 - 24 Coil deviser Nikola
 - 29 Fable author
 - 32 Invite to a movie, e.g.
 - 33 Lawn tools
 - 34 Not much, as of salt
 - 35 DVD — drive
 - 36 Wrongdoer
 - 37 "Mamma Mia" group
 - 38 NFL receiver
 - 39 Zenith
 - 41 Santa helper
 - 45 Part of SSW
 - 46 Bowl game gp.
 - 47 Hair care products
 - 49 — by Dana (perfume)
 - 50 Old TV's "Three Lives"
 - 53 Info to input
 - 55 Like college juniors
 - 56 With
 - 87-Across, fishy hero
 - 57 Little bits of work
 - 60 Lover boy
 - 62 Cubs great Sandberg
 - 65 Straying from the subject
 - 66 Diva Diana
 - 68 Increases fraudulently
 - 69 Sparkling wine city
 - 70 Duck relative
 - 72 TV-advertised music label
 - 76 Veritable
 - 77 It beats a 10
 - 78 Slush Puppie company
 - 79 Wheedle
 - 80 Leg on which a cello rests
 - 82 Wimpy type
 - 83 Tapers off
 - 86 Hip-hop headwear
 - 89 Others, in Latin
 - 90 Daly of "Cagney & Lacey"
 - 92 Anne of "Wag the Dog"
 - 94 Less than zero: Abbr.
 - 96 Worry about
 - 98 — Lanka
 - 100 Amiens' river
 - 101 Slogging-in-mud sound
 - 102 A moon of Jupiter
 - 103 Less harsh
 - 105 Bic buy
 - 109 Sorts
 - 110 Piece of hair
 - 111 Boat spines
 - 112 Like klutzes
 - 114 Natty tie
 - 118 In the past, in the past
 - 120 Takes as a spouse
 - 121 "And so ..."
 - 122 Hides gray, in a way
 - 124 With 3-Down, really disorderly
 - 125 Schuss, say
 - 126 Julio's "day"
 - 127 Strong wish
 - 128 Lennon loved her



An anti-percentage play

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

East dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A 10 4
♥ K 5
♦ Q J 8 6 2
♣ 6 5 2

WEST
♠ J 8 6 3
♥ J 9 6 4 2
♦ 5
♣ 10 7 3

EAST
♠ K Q 9 5 2
♥ A Q 7 3
♦ 4
♣ K Q 4

SOUTH
♠ 7
♥ 10 8
♦ A K 10 9 7 3
♣ A J 9 8

The bidding:
East 1♠ South 2♦ West Pass North 4♦
Pass 5♦
Opening lead — three of spades.

jack than the eight. All rules have exceptions, and today's hand provides an illustration.

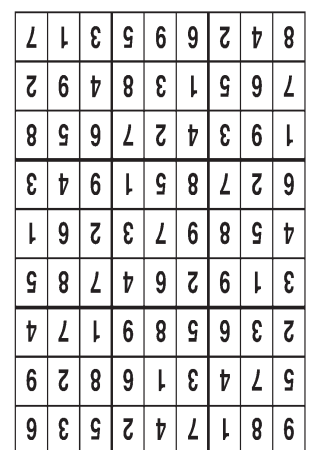
West leads a spade against five diamonds, and South can tell from the bidding that East is highly likely to have the ace of hearts. Consequently, after taking the spade with the ace, drawing a round of trumps and leading a club from dummy, on which East follows low, South should play the jack.

As it happens, the jack wins the trick, and when declarer then plays the ace and another club, he winds up making the contract because he can later discard one of dummy's hearts on his fourth club. All he loses is a club and a heart.

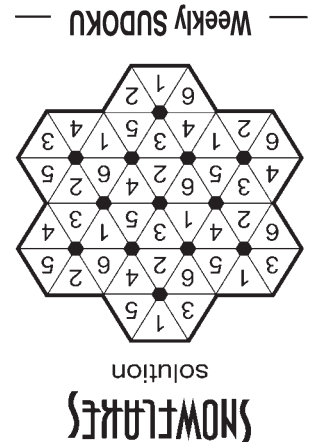
The reason declarer abandons the usual percentage play is that he cannot afford to lose a club trick to West, which would then subject him to a killing heart return through the king.

Given the circumstances, South's best chance to avoid two heart losers is to assume that East has the K-Q of clubs, and he shapes his play to cater to that assumption.

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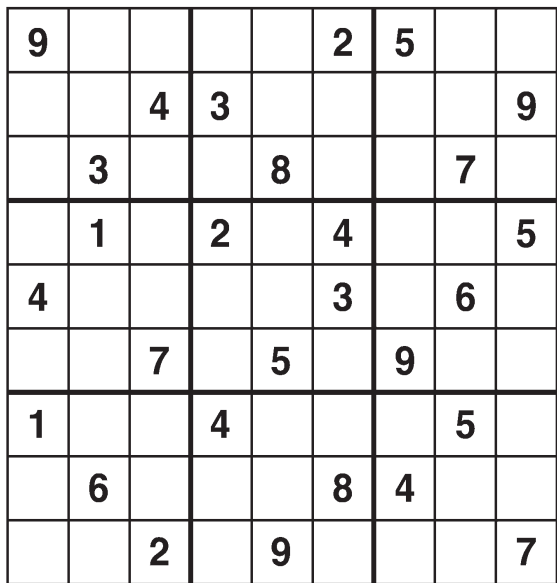


Answer



Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

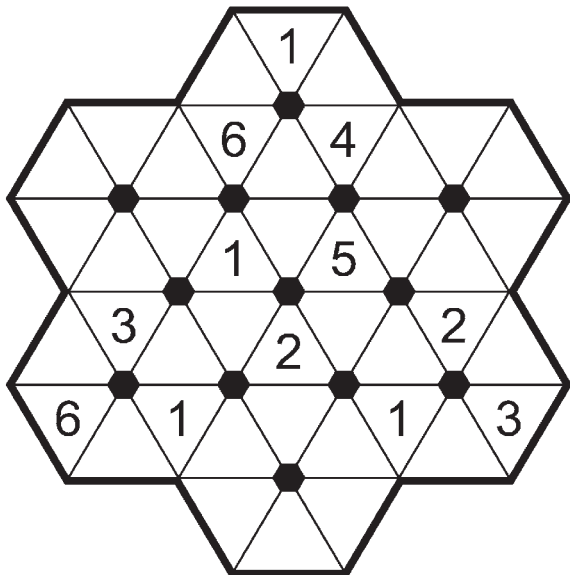
- ◆ Moderate
- ◆◆ Challenging
- ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

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



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆◆

- ◆ Easy
- ◆◆ Medium
- ◆◆◆ Difficult

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The smallest frog in Texas

Animals utilize many different forms of adaptation to aid in their survival. Some species rely on camouflage for protection, some rely on speed, while others rely on behavior. However, there is a minuscule species that thrives in and among cattle pastures and graze lands that is often referred to as the smallest frog in Texas. That species is the Spotted Chorus Frog.

The Spotted Chorus Frog (*Pseudacris clarkii*) belongs to a genus of frogs that has 4 representatives here in Texas. This particular race occurs throughout the eastern and central Panhandle and Edwards Plateau regions, as well as the Cross-Timbers area of North Texas and the Coastal Plains region. It is absent in far west Texas and far east Texas. It thrives in areas of open prairies, meadows, pastures, and grasslands. More often than not, it is observed near permanent or semi-permanent bodies of water, such as cattle tanks and irrigation canals. Occasional specimens may be found under



Wild About Texas

Michael Price

debris far from such water sources though. Outside of Texas this variety can be observed in similar habitats in central Kansas and Oklahoma southward to northern Tamaulipas. There is a small disjunct population that occurs in northeastern New Mexico as well.

Like most of the family Hylidae, this species can be quite variable in appearance. The ground color typically varies from light tan to darker brown, although in some specimens the background coloration can be dark green. The back and sides are sequined with darker green spots, bars, and squiggles. These markings are outlined with a black edging. There is a diagnostic black-outlined green stripe that runs from the end of the snout through the tympanum (outer ear) to the foreleg. This line with infrequently reach the groin

area. The relatively long back legs are spotted similarly as the back and sides. The elongated toes end in a rounded toepad.

This diminutive species is the smallest of its genus. Adult females are slightly the larger sex, with mature individuals approaching 1¼ inches in body length. Males are smaller, seldom exceeding one inch. This variety of true frog is one of the smallest, if not THE smallest, species of amphibian that occurs in this state.

Like other amphibians, Chorus Frogs live a dual life. Unlike many frog species that breed in the spring even when temperatures can dip near freezing, this variety prefers to breed later in the year after heavy downpours. Mature adult males will congregate along the banks of the shallow pools that are remnants of heavy rains and will call for the attention of females. The calling voice is a high-pitched trill and many have likened the sound to a fingernail rubbing the teeth of a pocket comb. Once a receptive female approaches, the male will clasp the female around the waist and externally fertilize up to 500 eggs. This activity is known as amplexus. Once the eggs hatch, the fish-like tadpoles are primarily herbivorous, and over the period of just a few weeks, the tadpoles metamorph into small froglets, developing air-breathing lungs rather than gills, absorbing the tail, and developing legs.

Chorus frogs are almost exclusively nocturnal, as well as quite alert and shy; therefore, most are heard more frequently than actually seen. Many are found while hiding underneath humidity-holding surface debris such as lawn decorations and even cattle dung (cow patties).

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This program can be completed entirely online. Students will take two courses at a time and complete the program in one year. Twenty-five spaces are available for the first class, which will start this fall.

According to the Texas Workforce Commission,

administrative assistant is among the high-demand occupations in Central Texas.

For more information on the program, write Misty Lenox at misty.lenox@templejc.edu or call her at 254-298-8463 (office) or 210-439-9390 (cell).

May Events at Belton Senior Activity Center

The Belton Senior Activity Center has several events planned for the month of May, including these:

AARP Safe Driving Program is May 15, from noon to 4 p.m. Call the Center to register at 254-939-1170. AARP members are \$15, non-members \$20.

Country Western Dance is May 17 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. with Jus' Country performing. Cost is \$5 per per-

son, and those attending are encouraged to bring a snack dish to share.

The Center is hosting a Domino Tournament May 19 at 9 a.m., registration at 8 a.m. Contact the center to register at (254)939-1170.

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5-1-18	Evading arrest	I-35 and 2484
5-1-18	ID theft	2000 Highland
5-3-18	Crash	I-35 and MM 285
5-4-18	Disturbance	100 Rock Creek
5-5-18	Residential alarm	2100 Indian Trail
5-6-18	Suspicious person	West Village Road
5-6-18	Assault	700 McKay Ln

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