



Lighted parade kicks off annual Christmas Stroll

Each year, the holidays come alive with the annual Christmas Stroll in beautiful, historic Salado. This year's festivities kick off at 6 p.m. Nov. 29 with the lighted Christmas Parade beginning on Royal and continuing up Main Street followed by a tree lighting and visit from Santa at the Civic Center.

For two weekends, Nov. 30-Dec. 2 and Dec. 7-9, the streets of Salado will be filled with entertainment, shopping, dining, and excitement for the whole family.

Strollers can take a break from shopping to enjoy a Live Nativity at the First Baptist Church, and perhaps follow that with a ride in a horse drawn carriage.

Visitors will certainly want to make time to see a performance of A Christmas Carol at Tablerock Theater. This annual production of the classic story by Charles Dickens is a holiday hit with visitors and locals, alike. Tickets will be available at the door. Call 254-947-9205 for more information. Theatergoers can see performances on Friday and Saturday both weekends of the Stroll.

The Salado Volunteer Fire Department will once again host Santa Claus at the

corner of Main Street and Pace Park. Stop by and take a photo with the little ones.

There will be numerous dining options available including Salado's own delightful eateries and visiting food trucks. There will be something to tempt everyone, whether you are looking for a snack, a warm cup of coffee or cocoa, or a full course meal.

The highlight of the Stroll will be late night shopping in Salado's boutiques and galleries on Friday and Saturday both weekends.

Many shops feature entertainment throughout the Stroll weekends. A schedule of events for the first weekend of the Christmas Stroll can be found page IC this edition of *Salado Village Voice*. The newspaper will also publish the schedule online at SaladoVillageVoice.com. The second weekend schedule will be published in the next edition of the newspaper.

Visitors are sure to be entertained by carolers, pianists, and musicians of all types. The week of Stroll, go to Salado.com, Facebook, the *Salado Village Voice*, or download the Visit Widget app for the most current list with locations.



Members of Salado United Methodist Church spent their Thanksgiving serving others as part of the annual ministry started in 2010 to serve Thanksgiving turkey dinners (with stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy, rolls and cranberry sauce) to travelers who stopped at the northbound and southbound Texas Department of Public Safety rest stops midway between Salado and Prairie Dell. Organizer Rolly Correa estimates that the church served 600 travelers in the three-hour window. Shown above serving a traveler are Betty McClure and Claude McClure and Albert VanderKroom. Shown below serving a family on the road are Don Chiles, Glenda Croom, Karen Kinnison and Kate Voelter. (PHOTOS BY TIM FLEISCHER)



Luke Rose will portray Tiny Tim and Joseph Murphy will portray Scrooge in the 26th annual production of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*. (COURTESY PHOTO)

Christmas Carol takes stage this weekend

Tablerock Festival will present the 26th annual performance of Charles Dickens' classic tale *A Christmas Carol* at the Goodnight Amphitheater on Royal Street in Salado. Dates for the production are Nov. 30, Dec. 1, and Dec. 7 and 8. Show begins each night at 7 p.m.

Shannon Ashe will again direct the performances. She and her husband Rick live in Salado. Ashe has directed the play before and served previously as an assistant director for the play.

She is a member of the Tablerock Board of Directors, was elected as a Village Alderman for two years and is a corporate event planner at MegaTravel. Shannon and her husband Rick, a former Mayor of Salado and current Salado Police Chief, have one daughter Addie who attends A&M University in Galveston majoring in Marine Biology.

A Christmas Carol has a cast and crew of 56, some new-comers to the play and SEE CHRISTMAS CAROL, PAGE 4A

P&Z approves parks proposals, opposes Private Rec. District

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Salado Planning & Zoning Commission will recommend to the Board of Aldermen adoption of two changes to the Village of Salado Comprehensive Plan and two changes to the Village of Salado Zoning Ordinance. The P&Z Commission, however, turned down one proposed change to the Zoning Ordinance to create the new zoning district classification Private Recreation.

The P&Z Commission conducted five public hearings on Nov. 27 concerning the changes to the Comprehensive Plan and the Zoning Ordinance.

The first proposal will amend the Comprehensive Plan by changing the designation of the Pace Park property on the Future Land Use Map from Public (Municipal) to Parks. The second proposal amends the Comprehensive Plan by changing the designation of the Sirena Park property on the Future Land Use Map from Retail to Parks.

The third proposed change amends the Zoning Ordinance, adding a new zoning district classification

Public Facilities in Section 3 and amends section 4.1 Use Regulations to allow the following Land Uses in the Public Facilities classification permitted by right: Civic/Conference Center; Park/ and or Playground (Public); Swimming Pool (Commercial); Antenna (Non-Commercial); Church/Place of Worship; Civic Club; Community Center (Municipal); Fire Station; Franchised Private Utility; Government Building (Municipal, State or Federal; Library (Public); Non-Profit Activities by Church; Post Office (Governmental); School. K through 12 (private); School. K through 12 (public); Wastewater Treatment Plant (Public); Water Treatment Plant (Public); Water Supply Facility (Elevated Water Storage); Golf Course (Public); Membership Sports; Museum. Land Uses permitted by Conditional Use Permit are these: Cemetery and/or Mausoleum; Electrical Transmission Line; Gas Transmission Line (Regulating Station); Hospital (Acute Care/Chronic Care); Sewage Pumping Station; Utility Distribution (Transmission Lines).

P&Z approved the first three amendments on 5-0

votes with all members present: Chairman Larry Roberson, KD Hill, Tom McMahan, Susan Terry, Ronnie Tynes.

Pace Park and Sirena Park properties may have the Zoning changed in the future to Public Facilities if aldermen adopt the recommendation of the P&Z Commission to create that Zoning District.

On a 3-2 vote, P&Z will recommend against the proposed amendment to the Zoning ordinance to add a new zoning district classification for Private Recreation District and amend the Use Regulations within the PR District. Hill, Terry and Tynes voted in favor of the motion to recommend against the new classification while McMahan and Roberson voted against the motion.

The proposed change would create, if adopted by aldermen over the recommendation of P&Z, a Private Recreation District with Land Use Regulations that would permit by right the following uses: Amusement Services (Indoors); Country Club (Private); Dinner Theatre; Driving Range; Golf Course (Miniature); Golf Course (Private); Health

Club (Physical Fitness); Membership Sports; Museum; Park (Private or Public); Swimming Pool (Commercial); Tennis Court (Private/not lighted); Theater (non-motion picture); Antenna (Non-commercial); Church/Place of Worship; Civic Club; Fire Station; Fraternal Organization, Lodge, or Union; Franchised Private Utility (not listed); Membership Sports.

The Private Recreation Zoning District would allow the following Land Uses by Conditional Use Permit: Cemetery and/or Mausoleum; Electrical Transmission Line; Gas Transmission Line (Regulating Station); Hospital (Acute Care/Chronic Care); Sewage Pumping Station; Utility Distribution/Transmission Lines and Water Supply Facility (Elevated Storage).

The P&Z approved recommending a change to the definitions outlined in the Zoning Ordinance to define Private Recreation Facility or Private Park to the following: "A recreation facility, park or playground which is not owned or operated by a political subdivision." Hill and Tynes voted against.

FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas

Tennis courts will be built on Williams Rd. campus

Thank you to Richard Dabney for his very well written letter in last week's paper ("Salado sport still without Home Court advantage") regarding the benefits of our tennis program and our school district's need for tennis courts.

Tennis is the only sport in which our students participate in and yet we do not have school district facilities. Our tennis teams have never had their own courts and have been using the courts by the Stagecoach Inn at Royal Street and Main Street. However, those courts were purchased by Barrow Brewery about a year ago and are now being used for a food court area. KD Hill was kind enough to allow our students to use the courts for the 2017 season.

Our facility committee comprised of 58 community members, parents, business representatives, and school district employees discussed the need for tennis courts in our district. However, the committee did not include tennis courts in the specific plans for the May 2018 bond proposal for two reasons. There are a couple of reasons for that.

The first reason is that our limited bond capacity did not allow for all of the facility needs to be addressed in the bond proposal. For example, we could not afford to build a new high school, a new football/soccer/track stadium, or a new performing arts center at this time.

The second reason tennis courts were not includ-

Superintendent's Corner

by Dr. Michael Novotny



ed in the bond proposal is that we can afford to build tennis courts out of our district's fund balance. Fund balance is the official term for a school district's savings account. Thanks to the fiscal responsibility of our school board and school district over the years, we have about \$4 million in our fund balance. The Texas Education Agency requires that we maintain a fund balance of approximately \$3 million or more of fund balance, however, that leaves about \$1 million that could be used for facility projects such as tennis courts.

We are definitely going to build tennis courts on our property on Williams Road and the new middle school. However, we are waiting to do so until after we bid out all of the May 2018 bond projects (i.e., new middle school, baseball and softball fields, football/soccer/track stadium renovations, and elementary school improvements) in the next few months. The projected costs of these projects recommended by our facility committee was \$51.7 million, however, our bond capacity is only \$49.4 million. As we design these facilities with our architects we are working hard to identify ways to reduce the costs and

stay within our budget. We are also going to competitively bid these projects to any interested construction companies to get the best value for our district. Once we complete the bidding process in a few months, we will know whether or not we need to use any of our district fund balance to support any of these projects. This will enable us to determine how much fund balance we can use to build tennis courts, and thus, how many courts we are able to build.

Our tennis coach and athletic director have ordered equipment for portable courts to set up on our property. They have also contacted neighboring school districts and clubs for our tennis players to use their courts for the upcoming 2019 season. We will have new courts built in time for the 2020 tennis season. These new courts will not only allow our high school tennis players to practice without having to travel anymore, it will also allow us to start a junior high school tennis program.

If you have any questions regarding our tennis program or anything else regarding our school district, you are always welcome to e-mail me at michael.novotny@saladoisd.org or call me at 254-947-6905.



Overstimulated economy, interest rate increases cause current malaise

The Markets

Traders were glad to see the US stock markets close early this shortened week as the S&P 500 Stock Index (SPX) closed down 3.58 percent at 2632.56. That close marks a 10.13 percent decline from its closing high back in late September. The year-to-date loss of 1.54 percent and even the one-year gain of 1.37 percent do not greatly subtract from the gloom. The good news is that the SPX is, by our reckoning, now low to fairly-priced and the abundance of pessimism is far more indicative of a market bottom than one that is spoiling for a crash. Our analysis suggests this correction remains just that and is primarily a result of a market correcting for its growth-stock asset-class excesses in preparation for a rotation to value-based, positive balance-sheet stocks.

While there are a host of issues that are proclaimed to be causes of the current malaise, the apparent keys remain a combination of an overstimulated economy that has nowhere to go but down, the rising interest rates that are associated with that economy, and a slowing growth in the world economy at least partially created by the threat of 25 percent U.S. import tariffs. If the tariff-war threat were to be lifted, there appears to be plenty of room for a market rally.

As would be expected when faced with the specter of a slowing economy, the yield on the ten-year U.S. Treasury note declined for the week to 3.048 percent, down a relative 14 percent from its 3.09 percent yield hit mid-day on Monday. Still, the T-note's yield (interest rate) remains about 32 percent higher than it was a year ago and bond prices have dropped. The big moves for the week came from West Texas Intermediate crude oil, down almost 12 percent for the

Market & Economic Update

By Jeffrey W. McClure



week, and now down about 30 percent from its October \$76.55 high, closing at \$50.39. A falloff in demand coupled with high production has oil investors spooked.

Quite notably, the Barclay's US Aggregate Bond Index price return is now down 4.92 percent for one year, averaging a 0.95 percent average annual loss for the last three years, as rising interest rates drive down the market price of bonds. Still, the average bond is still priced at 104.67, meaning that it has a built-in loss of about 5 percent of principal at maturity, and that suggests that the bond market may be still a bit overpriced.

The Economy

Moody's GDP forecast growth for this quarter is around 2.6 percent, still above both its long-term trend line and probable sustainability, but a lot lower than the 3.5 percent to 4 percent we saw earlier in the year as the tax-cut stimulus kicked in. The Conference Board's Index of Leading Economic Indicators was less positive for October at +0.1, compared with 0.5 and 0.6 for the last two months, but critically it was still positive. A positive number strongly suggests that no recession is likely for the next six months to a year. Quite notably, the coincident and lagging indicators at 0.2 and 0.4 were much higher, explaining the generally good economic numbers that are still coming in. Payroll and job creation numbers are still very upbeat. Moody's Economics is forecasting unemployment to drop to 3.3 percent in 2019.

The backside data to those positives are begin-

ning to pile up. Housing starts are continuing to sag, and even existing home sales are lagging with building permits falling. More, core capital goods orders, that is purchases of equipment that make more things in the future, has drifted into neutral territory, while factory durable goods orders fell 4.4 percent in October.

A factor that must be considered in economic growth is infrastructure capacity. In many areas, including the labor market, commodity prices, and transportation capacity, our economy appears to be reaching its limits. More, attempts to grow transportation capacity are themselves constrained by the rising cost and shortage of labor as well as the 40 percent increase in steel prices since the import tariffs were imposed. Infrastructure projects run off local government fixed budgets and as prices rise municipalities can't adjust what they pay, so they cut projects.

Again, much of the business pessimism is simply an expression of fear about what could be crippling increases in prices on imported goods. The U.S. economy continues to roll along quite well as wages have risen faster than inflation and the tax cut generated increase in take-home income is still in its one-year stimulative phase. For better or worse, the good economic news is concentrated in the lagging indicators as the leading indicators appear to be shifting to neutral. That situation suggests that the economy is being primarily driven by momentum rather than by better future prospects.

Why Trump should fear Joe Biden

Joe Biden is a gaffe-prone 75-year-old Washington veteran -- who is exactly what Democrats need.

The suburbs have turned against Republicans, but Donald Trump's working-class base is still with him in a geographic and demographic stand-off that will -- absent a game-changer -- define the 2020 election.

The play for Democrats should be obvious: Make a serious appeal to Trump's voters, take back the Blue Wall states of Wisconsin, Michigan and Pennsylvania, and win the presidency. In other words, go with Joe Biden or someone like him with a Midwestern or working-class sensibility (newly re-elected Sens. Sherrod Brown of Ohio and Amy Klobuchar of Minnesota come to mind).

His gruff manner, Catholic faith, Irish ethnic background, union-friendly politics and upbringing in Delaware via Pennsylvania make him as close as the contemporary national Democratic Party gets to a working-class match for the Great Lakes states that Trump stole from it in 2016. From this juncture, those states again look absolutely crucial. If the rest of the electoral map stays the same, Democrats need to win all three of Wisconsin, Michigan and Pennsylv-

Rich Lowry



nia to take back the White House. Even if they pick off 2016 red states Arizona and Georgia, they still need Michigan or Pennsylvania to get over 270.

Conversely, it's hard to see where Trump goes and wins new territory to make up for the loss of Wisconsin, Michigan and Pennsylvania.

Trump didn't win those three states by much, by about 80,000 votes collectively. More than anything, he depended on running against a Democratic candidate who was unacceptable to working-class whites. Right now, it looks like he needs a repeat performance by the Democrats, and he may well get one.

The Democrats don't usually do old and familiar, at least not when they win. The last three Democratic presidents, Jimmy Carter, Bill Clinton and Barack Obama, were fresh-faced newcomers on the national scene.

And then, there are the party's new obsessions. Class has been trumped by race and gender, and as a white male Biden is 0-2. Inequality is now less of a motivator than intersection-

ality, economic privilege less of a concern than white privilege. This was a stumbling block for the class-obsessed Bernie Sanders last time, and would surely hamper Biden and Sherrod Brown in today's even more fevered context.

The Democrats are not set up to go with, in the derisive phrase, stale, pale and male. Perhaps they can find another Barack Obama-type candidate who lights up the base while having just enough draw for working-class whites. There also is more than one way to win back the Blue Wall -- higher black turnout could make the difference.

But there's a good chance that Democrats will get consumed by the hot-house dynamic of their nominating process, and select someone who, like those defeated progressive darlings of the midterms -- Beto O'Rourke, Stacey Abrams and Andrew Gillum -- is better suited to going down in a blaze of glory rather than winning over an increment of Trump voters.

If so, Joe Biden will be one of the few people in American history who could have won two straight presidential elections -- in theory.

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To Drain the VA Swamp, Trump Must First Wade Into It

By Bob Carey

President Trump campaigned on cleaning house at the Department of Veterans Affairs, to fire inept and corrupt bureaucrats, and give veterans greater choice in their health care.

Veterans responded enthusiastically. President Trump won their votes by a margin of almost 4 million.

The president has tried to make good on his promises. He signed into law the VA Accountability and Whistleblower Protection Act, which gives the Secretary the authority to fire inept or corrupt bureaucrats. He ratified the MISSION Act, which expands veterans' healthcare choices and support for caregivers for the seriously disabled.

But his efforts have been frustrated by the bureaucratic swamp at the VA he campaigned against. President Trump needs people who agree with his vision for the VA -- not civil servants who were there before he took of-

office and will be there after he leaves.

In other words, he needs more political appointees at the VA.

Each presidential administration gets about 4,000 political appointees spread across all the various executive agencies. Responsible for implementing the administration's policies, they serve at the pleasure of the president and can be fired at will.

Career civil servants, by contrast, have no stake in the president's agenda and can hardly be held accountable for their work. Dismissing a civil servant for poor performance can take years.

If the VA is to be reformed, political appointees will be the ones to do it. Yet the VA only gets 38 -- the fewest of any cabinet-level agency. That's less than 1 percent of the appointees the administration is allotted.

Even the leaders of the VA's regional divisions are civil servants. Regional

and state administrators at the Departments of Homeland Security, Agriculture, and Health and Human Services, by contrast, are all appointed by the president.

So 38 people have the impossible task of turning around the federal government's second-largest agency, with 373,000 employees.

There's a lot of misbehavior to clean up. Career civil servants are using the VA Accountability and Whistleblower Protection Act to fire whistleblowers and protect themselves from accusations of corruption.

If President Trump is to drain the VA swamp, he needs to first populate it with more political appointees.

In the long term, Congress must restructure the VA so every Under Secretary, Principal Deputy Under Secretary, and Assistant Secretary -- the three levels below the Secretary on the organizational chart -- is nominated by the President and confirmed by the Senate.

In the shorter term, the Trump administration should shift 75 to 100 political appointees to the VA -- and make every Principal

Deputy Under Secretary and Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary appointees. Likewise, all regional Veteran Integrated Service Networks directors should become appointees.

Departments with less checkered histories than the VA have five to 10 Senior Policy Advisors reporting to the Secretary who act as fixers for urgent policy priorities -- and can maneuver around bureaucratic inertia. The VA needs them, too.

Finally, the VA would benefit from a new Under Secretary of Policy to assist the Secretary with setting and enforcing standards of performance, integrated budgets, and system-wide policies and procedures.

The VA's bureaucracy is the chief impediment to delivering quality care and services to our country's veterans. Asking that same bureaucracy to fix itself is folly.

VA Secretary Robert Wilkie needs to be given the accountable personnel and political muscle required to bring about the change voters demanded in 2016.

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Avoid Legal Hangovers from Your Holiday Party

The NFIB Small Business Legal Center says employers should keep celebrations safe this holiday season by watching out for two problem areas -- drunk driving and harassment.

Drunk Driving

An increasing number of states require employers to exercise reasonable care to prevent injuries by intoxicated employees leaving holiday parties. To minimize the risk of liability an employer should do the following:

- Keep attendance at parties voluntary and host the celebration off-site and outside of normal business hours.
- Use professional bartenders and instruct them not to serve anyone who appears intoxicated.
- Distribute drink tickets to limit the number of free drinks or limit the time for an open bar.
- Serve lots of free food to soak up the alcohol.
- Ask trusted managers and supervisors to be on the look-out for people who have had too much to drink and unable to drive or need assistance getting home.
- Pay for cabs or ride-sharing services to take impaired employees and guests home or offer designated drivers.

Harassment

Socializing, alcohol, and mistletoe combine to create an environment that can lead to sexual harassment or fighting. Just because it's a holiday party doesn't mean you can't be liable for what happens as an employer. Employee lawsuits can result from voluntary events held outside the office and outside normal work hours.

- Remind employees about company anti-harassment policies before the party.
- If your business does not have an anti-harassment policy, get one. Check out the free sample policy developed by NFIB. Have an attorney review it.
- No mistletoe.
- Ask trusted managers and supervisors to intervene and stop any fighting or inappropriate conduct witnessed or reported.
- Finally, make sure that all employees understand that a holiday party is a work-related activity and that rules for appropriate work behavior still apply.

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Community Life

Join The Jingle Tour: Chorus celebrates the holidays with Dec 13 concert



Temple and Conroe, TX, who began rehearsing with the chorus 10 weeks ago to learn 2 songs for the concert. The audience will be invited to sing along at the end of the show.

The non-profit all-fe-

male chorus performs across Central Texas at a variety of venues, including assisted living centers, nursing homes, Temple Mall and Santa Fe Depot. The women also compete annually against Sweet

Adeline choruses from throughout Texas, Louisiana and Alabama and have won numerous medals over the past 35 years. Members live in Temple, Belton, Troy, Little River, Rogers, Lometa, Copperas Cove, Harker Heights, Georgetown and Austin.

Chisholm Trail Chorus holds weekly rehearsals on Thursday at the Cultural Activities Center (CAC), 3011 North 3rd St. in Temple. Each rehearsal is packed with music education to hone vocal production and choreography skills, and guest coaches are hired throughout the year. Any female who can hold her own part and stay in pitch is invited to audition. More information is available at: www.chisholmtrailchorus.org; as well as on Facebook and Meetup.

Grand Lodge of Texas will level two cornerstones for Holland ISD

Zerne Masonic Lodge No. 615 A.F. & A.M. in Holland, Texas, is honored to receive the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Texas Tommy F. Chapman for the purpose of presiding over the leveling of two cornerstones for the Holland Independent School District.

The leveling ceremony will be held at 1:30 p.m. Dec. 6 at the Holland ISD Campus, 501 Crockett Street in Holland. The Grand Lodge of Texas will level the cornerstone at two buildings on the campus: the Cindy Gunn Student Center and the Holland El-

ementary Gymnasium.

"The Grand Lodge of Texas receives numerous requests to officiate in the consecration, dedication, or laying of a cornerstone, and it is a privilege for the brothers of Zerne lodge to welcome the Grand Master Chapman to preside over our ceremony," said Bill Mills, Master of Zerne Masonic Lodge #615.

"Masons of the Grand Lodge of Texas and the Masons of Zerne Masonic Lodge are proud to continue the long time tradition of leveling cornerstones," Mills stated.

In 1994, the Grand Mas-

ter of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas leveled the cornerstone on the extension to the Texas State Capitol building in Austin. "It was a beautiful ceremony and brought to mind the 1885 ceremony when Texas Masons leveled the cornerstone to the main state capitol building," Mills said.

"Throughout Texas history, Masons have leveled cornerstones of schools, churches, local government buildings and public buildings," Mills added. "It is considered a great honor by Masons to perform this service in their communities."

The public is invited.

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a handful who have been associated with the play since its inception, 26 years ago.

Tablerock's A Christmas Carol was adapted to the stage by the late Harry Sweet. Mr. Sweet, director of Carol for 15 years and a retired Ethics Professor at Mary Hardin Baylor said, "No one can improve on Dickens's works."

Harry willed the script of A Christmas Carol to Tablerock with instructions to "Keep the play true to Dickens."

Joseph Murphy will portray Ebenezer Scrooge and Luke Rose will play Tiny Tim. Other principal characters are Bob Cratchit, Keith McKormack; Jacob Marley, Howard Horton; Nephew Fred, Nathan Cahoon; Ghost of Christmas Past, Megan Daniell; Boy Scrooge, Luke Cowan; Mr. Fezziwig, Ghost of Yet to Come & Poulterer, Todd Dwigans; Young Scrooge, Noah Whitworth; Ghost of Christmas Present, Kim Leitner and Mrs. Cratchit,

Tina Scarborough.

Tickets are: \$10 for Adults, \$5 for Students and \$3 for Children 12 and under. Tickets may be purchased at the gate the night of each performance.

The Salado ISD Choir, under the direction of Amanda White, will present the pre-show entertainment at 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 30 and Dec. 7.

The concession stand opens at 6:30 p.m. for sandwiches, cold and hot drinks, chips and candy.

Colonial Dames collect gifts and money for Temple VA

The Gov. Samuel Colonial Dames XVII Century Chapter recently met at the Bell County Museum. Members donated stamped

Christmas cards to be used by the veterans, puzzle/crossword/Sudoku books, novels and a donation of \$300 was also collected for

the Temple VA Christmas.

Sandy Boyd presented the program, "Taste of the Colonials." Ms. Boyd said, that fowl and fish were the main meats consumed, bread, big kettles of soup and sugar cakes rounded out the menu. Often times colonist died of lead poisoning from drinking ale or beer from pewter cups. Forks and spoons were often shared. Most colonist ate with a knife.

The next meeting will be Saturday, February 16, at the Bell County Museum.

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Obituaries

DEC. 1 AT ROGERS CIVIC CENTER

BBQ Fundraiser to help couple who lost their home in Nov. 1 fire



DON CUNNINGHAM

Don Cunningham of Salado passed away on November 21, 2018 at the age of 76.

He was born in Brady on January 29, 1942 to Wesley and Violet (Squiers) Cunningham.

He grew up in Mason, earning a scholarship to play baseball at San Angelo College, despite having contracted polio in high school.

He was an educator, teaching, coaching and serving as an administrator at Liberty Hill ISD, where he pioneered the effort to install the nation's first sculpture park on a high school campus.

Don and his wife Marie were married for 52 years at the time of his death.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother.

He is survived by his wife Marie Insall Cunningham, daughters Leslie (Steve) Campbell and Robbi (Brantley) Hoelscher,

and son Corey (Stephanie) Cunningham; 12 grandchildren and two great grandchildren as well as his "adopted" daughters Karen Luttinen Carey and Nicole Kummala; and countless other family and friends.

The family wishes to thank the exceptional caregivers at BSW STIC Unit in Temple for their provision of skilled, compassionate care.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the Salado Education Foundation at P.O. Box 458, Salado, TX 76571 where a scholarship in the name of Don Cunningham will be established.

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

sell. He was a graduate of Jefferson High School.

He married Sheryl Peterson in San Antonio on Feb. 28, 1963 in Seguin. The couple traveled to the Stagecoach Inn in Salado for their one-night honeymoon. Sheryl attended UT Austin while Rod was a student at St. Mary's University in San Antonio.

During their life together, Rod was employed by Ford Motor Company, BSA Motorcycle Company and Mobile Scout Manufacturing. The couple went into business together with Sherrod Designs and The Baines House B&B. The Russells came to Salado in 1991 and bought the Baines House on Royal and Center Circle and opened it as a bed and breakfast inn in 1996.

Rod enjoyed cooking, hosting, design, business and family history. His mother's line (Jesse Thompson) are descendants of Austin's Old Three Hundred. Rod was number 993.

The couple have two sons: Rodney Thompson Russell of Austin and Todd Roman Thomas Russell of Arlington. They also have one grandson and four granddaughters.

Family will light candles at the tiny chapel at the Baines House in memory of Rod. He asked that in honor of his memory that friends "hug someone or pet their favorite pet and think of something special and beautiful."

The small town of Rogers is supporting one of its former mayors and the pastor of Mt. Olive Baptist Church.

They invite the greater Bell County community to join them 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Dec. 1 for a barbecue fundraiser at the Rogers Civic Center, 4 West Mesquite for Billy Ray and Pam Crow.

The couple lost their home overnight on Nov. 1 to a fire. The fire engulfed the home and it is a total loss for the Crows, who were asleep when the home caught fire and were able to escape with their lives and no injuries.

Billy Ray and Pam Crow are longtime Rogers residents. He has been



active for many years in the community and served as a Master of the Rogers Masonic Lodge before it merged with Zerne Masonic Lodge in Holland, where he is also a Past Master. He is the minister of Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Rogers.

You can buy \$10 barbecue plates throughout the event. There will also be a bake sale and live and silent auctions.

If you would like to contribute, call Danny McDonald at 254-451-1030 or Melissa Hejl at 254-421-7881.



RODNEY THOMAS RUSSELL

No services will be held for Rodney Thomas Russell, of Salado, who passed away on November 24, 2018 after an 18-month battle with cancer.

Rodney T. Russell was born on November 17, 1938 to Blanche and Edgar Rus-

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Saturday December 8

Assemble at 4:45 pm at the Salado Museum

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The community is invited to join in this bilingual celebration of walking through the village in search of an inn for Mary and Joseph.

Get you 12 Gifts of Christmas tickets from Salado shops

Salado Lions Club has a collection of gifts for its Twelve Gifts of Christmas fundraiser. Members are selling tickets now for \$10

each or four for \$20.

The fundraiser is actually 12 drawings. Your ticket(s) will enter you in each of the drawings that will be

held at 9 p.m. Dec. 8 at The Strawberry Patch. You need not be present to win.

The following prizes have been donated by local businesses:

- “Morning on Bee Creek” framed print valued at \$770 from Prollop Fine Art Gallery.

- 10” X 20” tub filled with gourmet jams, salsas, coffees and gourmet foods valued at \$495 donated by The Strawberry Patch.

- Hand blown glass bowl with silver inlay donated by artist Gail Allard II of Salado Glassworks, valued at \$395.

- Battery-powered Stihl blower and trimmer valued at \$400 donated by Fairway Sports.

- Black onyx & pearl

necklace set in sterling silver valued at \$599 donated by Salado Creek Jewelry.

- Hand sculpted mystery gift donated by clay artist Ro Shaw, valued at \$400.

- One year of pest control application (interior and exterior) valued at \$335 donated by Ace Pest Control.

- Christmas wreath with a matching companion vase valued at \$350, donated by Magnolia’s.

- Holiday basket with ornaments and succulents valued at \$350 donated by First Community Title.

- French country console

table (52” long, 22” deep and 31” tall) valued at \$550 donated by 21 Main.

- Deluxe Suite for one night Weekend Stay at and Dinner for Two at the historic Stagecoach Inn, valued at \$350.

- One night weekend stay at Inn on the Creek and dinner for two at Alexander’s Distillery valued at \$300.

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The Texas Tribune host A Conversation with Central Texas State Representatives in Waco on Dec. 4

The Texas Tribune will host a free, public event — A Conversation with Reps. Doc Anderson and Kyle Kacal — from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 4, at the Baylor Club in Waco.

Republican state Reps. Doc Anderson of Waco and Kyle Kacal of College Station will join Texas Tribune co-founder and CEO Evan Smith for a lunchtime conversation on everything from the immigration and healthcare debates affecting their constituents to midterm election results and the upcoming 2019 legislative session.

Anderson, R-Waco, has represented House District

56 since 2005. He serves as vice chair of the House Energy Resources Committee and sits on the Agriculture & Livestock Committee. He serves on the statewide Agricultural Policy Council and is a board member of the Texas Conservative Coalition Research Institute and the State Agricultural and Rural Leaders. Previously, Anderson served on the Texas Small Business Advisory Council and worked as a small-animal veterinarian in Waco.

Kacal, R-College Station, has represented House District 12 since 2013. He serves as vice chair of the House Rules & Regulations Committee and sits on the Environmental Regulation, Natural Resources and Calendars committees. He serves on various business and community boards, including the Texas Beef Extension, the Brazos Valley Farm Bureau and the Allen Academy School Board. Kacal also operates a ranching business in Brazos County.

Doors open at 11:30 a.m. and a light lunch will be provided. Conversation and livestream will begin promptly at noon. The panel discussion will be followed by an audience Q&A session. The conversation will be livestreamed at texas-tribune.org/events, and the video will be available for viewing afterward. For media RSVP, contact Natalie Choate at nchoate@texas-tribune.org. Registration is open at texas-tribune.org/events.

The Baylor Club is located inside McLane Stadium at 1001 South Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. on Baylor University’s campus in Waco. Complimentary visitor parking is available in the lot surrounding the stadium.

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(PHOTO BY CHRISTIE SHAVER)
 Cayden Meyer grabs a rebound during the Salado Eagles' win over Rosebud-Lott on Nov. 19.

Eagles feast on foes on Thanksgiving break

Salado Varsity Eagles won both their games over the Thanksgiving break, beating Florence on the road 61-27 on Nov. 20 and Rosebud-Lott at home 67-39 on Nov. 19.

Eagles 61
Bufs 27

Eli Pittman scored 29 points with five shots from beyond the arc to lead the varsity Eagles past Florence Nov. 20 in a non-district road game.

Salado scored 22 points in the first quarter and held the Bufs to a measly six points. The Eagles led 36-14 at the half. Salado extended the lead to 50-22 at the end of the third.

Pittman hit all five of his three-pointers and scored 19 of his game-high 29 points in the first half.

Sammy Brown hit two three-pointers on his way

to a 10 point performance. Jeremy Jarvis also had 10 points, eight in the fourth quarter.

Also scoring for the Eagles were Zack Shaver, six points, Nathan Eschmann, three points and Cayden Meyer, one point.

Eagles 67
Cougars 39

Salado Eagles were not kind hosts to the Rosebud-Lott Cougars on Nov. 19, sending the visitors home with a 67-39 shellacking.

The Eagles outscored Rosebud-Lott 13-6 in the first quarter and 27-15 at the half. Salado had a 30-point lead, 57-27, going into the final quarter.

Junior Eli Pittman led the boys with 18 points. He hit four shots from long distance, scoring 11 points in the third quarter alone.

Zack Shaver also scored double figures for the Eagles with 12 points, 10 of them in the second half.

Also scoring for Salado were Jeremy Jarvis and Peyton Miller, eight points each, Cade Scallin, and Reece Brown, seven points each, Sammy Brown, three points and Cayden Meyer and Nathan Eschmann, two points each.

JV Eagles

Salado JV Eagles beat the Rosebud-Lott Cougars 59-25 in a non-district home game Nov. 19.

The JV Eagles led 22-9 in the first and 30-14 at the half. Going into the fourth quarter, Salado led 46-16 holding the Cougars to just two points in the third.

Josh Goings led the JV boys with 20 points. Nathan Hansen scored 11 points, including three three-pointers.

Also scoring for the JV Eagles were Latrell Jenkins, eight points, Kole Maedgen and Noah Mescher, six points each, Austin Abel, four points, James Perry, two points and Caleb Sirmon and Blake Miller, one point each.

Josh Goings led the JV Boys past Florence 62-25 in their home win Nov. 20.

Freshmen

Salado Eagles freshmen boys basketball team got its first win of the season with the 38-32 take down of host Florence on Nov. 20.

Leading the way for the Eagles was Caleb Sirmon with 12 points.

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SISD students collect items for America Recycles Day

Salado students participated in America Recycles Day on Nov. 15.

Students from grades PK-5 collected recycling items and shared with their family how important it is to recycle. Salado Junior High Student Council students participated in a recycling project as well.

Salado students collected over 1,000 pounds of recy-

clable items that consisted of paper, plastic, cardboard and aluminum.

Ryan Norman of Norman Woodworks donated the use of the trailer to hauling the recycling that was collected to Clawson Disposal in Jarrell.

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The Salado High School FFA Agricultural Issues team placed second at the Area XII LDE recently and will be advancing to the State Contest! Left to right-Grant Sellers, Raylan Highfield, Clayton Zak, Kamryn Cole, J. Cooper Free, Kailonee Razo, Justin Evans. (COURTESY PHOTO)

2018 Coach Smith Tournament

Thursday, November 29th

TIME	GYM 1	GYM 2
8:00am	(G) Game 2: Salado vs Cameron	(G) Game 3: San Saba vs Weiss
9:30am	(B) Salado vs. Jarrell (P1)	(B) Cameron vs. Weiss (P2)
11:00am	(G) Game 1: Snook vs. West	(G) Game 4: China Spring vs Hutto
12:30pm	(B) Flour Bluff vs Thorndale (P2)	(B) Gatesville vs Caldwell (P1)
2:00pm	(G) Game 9: LG1 vs LG3	(G) Game 11: LG2 vs LG4
3:30pm	(G) Game 6: WG2 vs Decatur	(G) Game 7: WG3 vs St. Michael's
5:00pm	(B) Salado vs Gatesville (P1)	(B) Jarrell vs Caldwell (P1)
6:30pm	(G) Game 5: WG1 vs Rogers	(G) Game 8: WG4 vs McGregor

Friday, November 30th

TIME	GYM 1	GYM 2
9:00am	(G) Game 10: LG6 vs LG8	(G) Game 12: LG5 vs LG7
10:30am	(B) Flour Bluff vs Cameron (P2)	(B) Thorndale vs Weiss (P2)
12:00pm	(G) Game 17: LG9 vs LG11	(G) Game 18: LG10 vs LG12
1:30pm	(B) Salado vs Caldwell (P1)	(G) Game 14: WG 7 vs WG8
3:00pm	(B) Gatesville vs Jarrell (P1)	(G) Game 15: WG9 vs WG10
4:30pm	(G) Game 13: WG5 vs WG6	(G) Game 16: WG11 vs WG12
6:00pm	(B) Flour Bluff vs Weiss (P2)	(B) Thorndale vs Cameron (P2)
7:30pm	(G) Game 19: WG13 vs WG14	(G) Game 25: L13 vs L14

Boys Pools will be ranked 1st through 4th after Friday Games to determine games on Saturday.

Saturday, December 1st

TIME	GYM 1	GYM 2
8:00am	(G) Game 20: WG15 vs WG16	(G) Game 24: LG17 vs LG18
9:30am	(B) Fifth Place: P1-3rd vs. P2-3rd	(G) Game 26: LG15 vs LG16
11:00am	(G) Game 21: 3rd place: LG19 vs LG20	(G) Game 23: LG 17 vs LG18
12:30pm	(B) Third Place: P1-2nd vs. P2-2nd	(G) Game 27: LG 26 vs LG 25
2:00pm	(G) Game 22: Championship: WG19 vs WG20	(G) Game 28: Consolation WG25 vs LG26
3:30pm	(B) Championship P1-1st vs. P2-1st	(B) Seventh Place: P1-4th vs. P2-4th

Boys' Teams for Pool Play

Pool 1	Pool 2
Salado	Flour Bluff
Jarrell	Cameron
Gatesville	Thorndale
Caldwell	Weiss

Girls Teams

China Spring	Cameron
Decatur	Hutto
McGregor	Rogers
Snook	San Saba
St. Michael's	Salado
West	Weiss

Varsity Lady Eagles play in Polk Key City, while JV teams play in Manor

Salado Lady Eagles play host in the Coach Smith Invitational Tournament Nov. 29-Dec. 1. Prior to that, the girls played LaVernia and competed in the Polk Key City tournament recently.

Lady Eagles 36
Lady Bears 61

The Lady Eagles fell to LaVernia Lady Bears 36-61 Nov. 19. Kaia Philen was high scorer with 9 points, followed by Amanda Cantu and Lorena Perez with 6 points, Lexie Lima and Corban Mescher had 5 points, Nicole Pettigrew with 3, Reese Preston, Priscilla Torczynski and Maddy Wade with 2 a piece.

The JV Red girls rolled past La Vernia to pick up another win 64-26. Janiah Del Rio led the Lady Eagles with 23 points. Katie Law followed with 15 points, Jorja Washington with 11 and Megan Manibusan with 10 points.

The JV White team also came out on top over LaVernia, winning 37-18. Kenslee Konarik led with 11 points and Darci Pryor followed with 10. Marissa Lancaster and Maria Gamaz both had 6 points and Maddi Bourland and Kimberleigh Deen had 2 points a piece.

Salado Lady Eagles played 4A, 5A and 6A tournaments in Abilene Nov.

15-17, losing three games and winning one.

The girls hit 5A Abilene Wylie in the first game, losing 25-64. Jasey Goings was the leading scorer with 10 points, followed by Lexie Lima and Reese Preston with 5 points each. Corban Mescher led the way with 8 boards for that game.

The girls fell to 5A Weatherford 38-40 in the second round. Kaia Philen was leading scorer with 10, Amanda Cantu followed behind with 9, Lexie Lima with 5, and Reese Preston, Nicole Pettigrew and Lorena Perez had 3 a piece. Philen also led the way on defense with 5 rebounds and 4 steals.

The Lady Eagles then pulled out a big win 52-51 against 4A Sweetwater. Priscilla Torczynski hit a 3 at the buzzer to send the game to the Lady Eagles. Philen led the way with 16 points, followed by Lexie Lima with 9 and Lorena Perez with 7. Torczynski and Corban Mescher both had 5 a piece, Amanda Cantu had 4, and Reese Preston and Nicole Pettigrew had 3 a piece. Corban Mescher held off Sweetwater as she took down 9 rebounds and Kaia had 7.

To finish out the tournament, the Lady Eagles played 6A Odessa Permian and fell short 27-61. Kaia

Philen led the way with 10 points and Lexie Lima followed with 6 points. Priscilla Torczynski had 5 points and Amanda Cantu, Corban Mescher, and Abby Rember had 2 a piece. Manor JV Tournament

The Lady Eagle JV Red and JV Whites teams both brought home trophies from the JV and Freshman tournament Nov. 15-17.

The JV White finished in third place after a seven point loss to the host team in the semifinals. Game one was a 60-2 win over Manor New Tech with Darci Pryor and Maria Pauer both scoring 14 points. Game two was a 21-28 loss to Manor, and the third place game ended with the Lady Eagles winning over Seguin 40-24. Kenslee Konarik and Darci Pryor were named to the all-tournament team. Pryor scored 17 points in the third place game, and Konarik

put 11 points on the board.

The JV Red lost the championship in heart breaking fashion. After injuries and fouls plagued the Lady Eagles, they played the last four minutes of the game with only four players and three players for the final two and a half minutes. Even though they were short-handed, the final score was 50-51.

In game one, the Lady Eagles defeated Florence handily by the score of 49-16. Megan Manibusan lead the scoring charge with 15 points with Jorja Washington adding 13 points of her own.

Game two was a little more challenging against the hosting Manor Mustangs. The game ended with a 36-33 score with Katie Law leading all scorers with 11 points. Janiah Del Rio and Jorja Washington were named All-Tournament.

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Letters to Santa Claus

Every year, Salado Village Voice prints Letters to Santa Claus, written by SISD Third Graders. This week we feature Mrs. Oborski's and Mrs. Lewis' classes and will continue each week through Dec. 20.

We hope you enjoy and that your third grader's Letter to Santa Claus finds its way into your scrapbooks!

A slideshow of the letters can be found each week on www.saladovillagevoice.com.

Be sure to visit to see the letters in their own hand-writing.



Mrs. Oborski

Dear Santa Clause,
My name is Hallie I Love art and golf! So are the elves being good are the reindeer good to? This Christmas I don't want much but these are the things I want!

1. To see my ant and uncle and My cousins!
2. Pictures and paintings for my new room!
3. A camera!

Have a great christmad Santa!
Love: Hallie

Dear, Santa,
My name is Leah and I live in Salado Texas. What is your favoit cookie. Because I want to cook them.

I have a 1 wish this year. Can I have an Coten candy Maker this year thank you.
Hope you have a Merry Christmas!
Love, Leah

Dear Santa,
My name is Daytona I live in Salado, Texas. What is your favorite type of milk & cookies? I have been working hard at school & this year I would like.
1 My life doll stuff,
2 Wings of fire book series,
3 Dork Diaries book series.
Have fun giving out Christmad presents and enjoy the cool cultures!
Love, Daytona

Dear Santa Clause,
Hi my name is Avri and I live in Salado, Texas.
Has my elf annabelle been good helping you I hope she is because she is a really good girl. Hey Santa I have been working so hard in school and I have a few wishes so can I have a vacation to sea world again, can my uncle herbert come over, and a canvese. I really hope you have a good flight and I will be always singing Christmas songs to. Hope to see you soon.
Love, Avri
P.S. How is mrs. Clause doing and can you tell her I said hi. Thank you.

Dear Santa, my name is Sophia and I lie in garral texas. ive been wonderig how do you get to evry house in one night? also I have a few things on my Christmad list the 1st on is a Jabnastix bare 2 ive been wanting to go to south carnalina for christmad but it is expencive can you ples get us 4 tickits your amazing if you do. 3 more munney for my mom. hope you have a great christmas night.
Love, Sophia

Dear Santa Clause,
My name is Claire and I live in nolanville, Texas. Are your reindeers healthy and are they being good? For this Christmad I would like whiteboard markers please. I hope you have a very good christmas.
Love, Claire

Dear Santa,
My name is Sam and i live in Belton, Texas. Half the elvvs been good this year? Santa I really want 10 Mineincraft sets and one hover bord. I hope you have a good flight.
from, Samual

Dear Santa,
My name is RuthAnn and I live in Salado Texas. How dow your raindear fly? I have a few wishis. I want a lagow nigog set, dog stuff anmol. see you sone Santa
your friend, RuthAnn

Dear Santa
My name is Brenyn I live in Salado texeas had my elf come back yet? i would like a few wishes a nintendo switch, a lego set, and a nerf gun.
your friend, Brenyn

Dear Sente,
My name is Ayden I live in Seldo. What is your favit tipy if cookes? and what is your favorite milk? I have been good at home and school. I have been helping my mom cleen the home. for Crismis I would like... to spend time haveing fun wisht my famliy. and go to Disney World with my famley and have a lot of fun and I wis for my dad to come beck home and spit a lot of time wish my dad.
Love, Aiden

Dear Santa
My name is Brody Schiller I live in Saldo Texas. Have the elves ben getting ready for Christmad? May I please have my family from Shamrock come visite. Hope you have a great flight.
Your friend, Brody Schiller

Dear Santa,
hi my name is Josiah and I live in Salado, texas. hi sante-nick Whiy did your wife give you thit cote. I would like an apple watch, rodote, and a trip to No York with my famley ples. so gode by for now I guess,
Love, your, frand, Josiah

Dear Santa,
My name is Aldo and I live in Salado Texas. Do you now magic I bin good at school. I will ask sum wishes. I wul like I-Pad, a toy boat and a puppy. Thank you for your service.
Love, Aldo

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is A'Niya and I live in Salado Texas? my favroet thing to do is right my huverbord. my favroet food to eat is shrimp crab and lopster. What is your favrot milk? I will like to visite my grandma, for Christmas I will like a sewing machien, and a lego girl set,
Love, A'Niya

Dear Santa,
Hello my name is Elissa and I like playing video games. Have you been getting lots of rest befor Cristmad this year? For Cristmad may I pleas have a new pet,(pleas make the pet a sirpize) a Jiente Beeny babby, and a good cristmas with my famaly. hope you have a good cristmas!
Love, Alissa

Dear Santa,
My name is Melissa. I like helping my mom clean the house. Do the elfs give the toy out? I would really like a new desk, bunk bed, and a new bike without training wheels. I hope you have a warm Christmas.
Your friend, Melissa

Dear Santa,
my name is Alexander and I live in Salado, Texas. hoe do the elves move over night? for this year I want a game called lego DC Super Villins and a lego set that has a darth vader and emperer pulp teen 2. I hope to see you soon!
Your friend, Alexander

Dear Santa,
My name is Maggie and I am learning my multiplication facts. Has my elf Frost been good? I have been working ery hard in school and I have some wishes in mind. They are alol house, a nice laptop with a casem and to be on Amarica got talant. If I win I will give most of the mon-ey to the poor. I hope you have a great time flying around the world.
Love, Maggie

Dear Santa Claus
My name is Jayden. i like to jumpp on the trampulin with my brother drake. do elves rilly make the toys and the glasses and stuf. what i wunt is a crma, and a play date and a tim with you and your elves. Well i hope you have a good flite to your house thank you four reading my note have a fantastick day today.
love, Jayden

Dear, Saint Nick
My name is Memphis. are the elves geting ready to come back to are homes? I have some wishes can I please have 3 wish-es can I have 1 Mincraft Lego set, 1 Dogman book/not catkid not unleasht, and 1 supris. See ya later alagater hope you have a great Christmas.
Your friend, Memphis

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Julian I live in Salado Texas, would your like a cococola? drink. I would like a new TV, a lego set, and four tickets to Disney world. So I hope you have a good Christmas
Love, Julian

Mrs. Lewis

Dear Santa,
How was your summer? How many cookies do you eat? How old are you? Anyways, this Chirstmas I would want this if you could get it a phone case and a blue collar that says Wick-el. Its because my dog has a very old and bad collor. A phone case because mine is very dirty. I just hope you could get me these thing. If you can't it's okay my mom and dad will get me some-things. Bye!
Love, Paisley

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph? I think you are a good gift to children to the world. I'd really like a tiny live puppy one that looks ike Dot. A kite, a new teady bear, a new sheep. And a pet parakeet.
Love Raelay

Dear Santa,
how is Peter dowing what is Peter fatrit food. I would lick a dirt bick a grass won I wold lick a drone I wold lick a gass mask and a more army bages
Sincerely Wyatt

Dear Santa,
How if the toy placcs do-ing good or bad. Id love a hover board for Christmas plese!! or I could have another swing set with a bridge to a slide.
Sincerely Chloe

Dear Santa,
How is rudolph is rudolph ready to fly yet is your elf done with the toys going, for christ-mas I would like and airsoft M-16 machine gun full metal Please! and I would also like an nintendo switch.
Sencerley, Landon

Dear Santa,
What;s your favorite cook-ie? I'd really like a drone with a camera Because, My drone broke last year. When, I was fly-ing it.
Sincerely, Fabian

Dear Santa,
Whats your favorite reindeer out of the ones you have? How many elves do you have? What I'd really like for Christmas is a white pet wolf because my other dog Coco left my house when I was 4 years old! So I don't want my other dog Pebbles to feel lonely cause her sister left!
Love, Lexi

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph the Reieender. i wud really like a PS4 with 10001000 V-Buck on a gift card or on the platform please!!
Sencerely Easton!!

Dear Santa,
How was your cristmas? How was your fall? What;s your favorite sled? What is your favorite movie? What is your favorite candy cane? I'd really like a real NFL football with Deshon Watson's autograph because I love playing football but nobody plays with me outside and a kickoff holder.
Sincerely, Carlos

Dear Santa,
I want a phone and a motor-bike.
Sincerely, Saul

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph is he good? What kind of cookie ddo you like? Can I please have a com-puter because I will play learning games. A few more things. One a nintendo switch because my brother with play mario with me! Two electric scooter because my regular scooter broke. Three a drone because I will fly it all around my neighborhood. Four Save the world disc for fortnite. Five lego sets.
Sincerely, Carter

Dear Santa
How many elfves do you have I was wondering if I may have a giant bear may it be wite
Sincerly Jacqueline

Dear Santa,
How was your summer? Who is your faverite reindear? I'd really like a Nintendo Switch for Christmas because I am going to play games like Fortnite and Minecraft.
Sincerely, Zoe

Dear Santa,
How many elves do you have? How is fizzbe he is so funny. Tell him to let us hold him for permission. Okay let's get to the presents. Can you prittey please get me a real life puppy don't listen to my parents. and out the no fense stuff. And sume slime suply's because it feels so good. last a blanket. because it is so so soft.
Sincerely, Eva

Dear Santa,
How was your summer? Whos your favorite elf? I'd really like v-bucks because I would sped them on christmas skin in fortnite Battle Royale. If you could give me Save the World in Fortnite.
Sincerely Jay

Dear Santa,
How are you doing Now ;et's get to busines. I wold like a airsoft set please, And also a gas mask. thank you.
Sincerly, Hudson

Dear Santa,
How is my elf Chimney do-ing? What's your favrit cookie? I was wondering... if you could maby get me a Barbie doll hous or the vet kit? Eather or but I would realy wont it because if I do get one I can finally do some-thing els with my barbies. Please bring me a barbie doll hous or vet kit
Sincerely, Brylie

Dear Santa,
How is the head elf? Are the other elves doing OK? I'd really like a minisafe and seydron because I can then play sey and keep my litle sister from break-ine something that is small and may I get a kid sised jungl jim for my brother so he can have his mohky king of fun.
From Jesse

Dear Santa,
What;s your favorite cookie? I want \$1000!
Thanks, Odin

Dear Santa,
How was your day? What's your favorite cookie? I'd really like a hoverboard because I have not had a hoverboard.
Sincerely, Lucas



Salado Village Guide

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Salado Christmas Stroll

Thursday, November 29

- 5 p.m. The Potato Wagon food truck at The Mustard Seed
- 6 p.m. Village of Salado Christmas Parade down Main Street
- after parade Santa Claus at Salado Civic Center
- after parade Letters to Santa Claus at The Shoppes on Main (22 N. Main St.)
- after parade Historic Salado Ghostwalk (13 & up) leaves from Barrow Brewing Co
- after parade Live Music from Color Me Brass at Barrow Brewing Co

Friday, November 30

- By Reservation Blow Your Own Ornament at Salado Glassworks
- all day Food Trucks at Barrow Brewing Co. - Longbow Roasters and Happy Pizza Company all day and 3 p.m. - Check Point Germany
- all day Carriage Rides at Salado First Baptist Church
- all day Letters to Santa Claus at The Shoppes on Main (22 N. Main St.)
- all day Wash & Willow: Free Charm with \$10 Purchase, Serving Apple Cider and Sweet Treats
- 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. FSG Fine Jewelry: Holly Williamson showing and selling jewelry of Pader, Uganda all sales go to the women who made the jewelry
- Afternoon/Eve. 21 Main: Live Pianist
- 4 - 9 p.m. Barrow Brewing Christmas Market
- 4:30 - 10 p.m. 80 S. Main Street: 3C Cowboy Church - Authentic Chuck Wagon Serving Hot Beverages and Sweets
- 5 p.m. The Potato Wagon food truck at The Mustard Seed
- 5 - 6:30 p.m. Santa Claus at the Corner of Main and Pace Park
- 6:30 - 9 p.m. First Baptist Church of Salado Live Nativity
- 6:30 p.m. Strolling Choirs from Shoemaker High School, Killeen ISD
- 7 p.m. Barrow Brewing Co: Music from Kathryn Stredwick
- 7 p.m. A Christmas Carol at Tablerock Amphitheater
- 7:30 - 9 p.m. Santa Claus at the Corner of Main and Pace Park

Saturday, December 1

- Reservation Blow Your Own Ornament at Salado Glassworks
- all day Food Trucks at Barrow Brewing Co. - Korean Kravings
- all day Carriage Rides at Salado First Baptist Church
- all day Letters to Santa Claus at The Shoppes on Main (22 N. Main St.)
- all day Wash & Willow: Free Charm with \$10 Purchase, Serving Apple Cider and Sweet Treats
- 7:30 - 10 a.m. Salado Lions Club Pancake Breakfast at Salado Church of Christ Activity Center on North Church Street
- 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Salado Artist Market featuring handmade items by Salado Artists at Salado Village Art Center
- 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Holiday Make-N-Takes at Stamp Salado
- 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. The Mustard Seed: Hand-Painted Ornaments by Dee Levens
- 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. 80 S. Main Street: 3C Cowboy Church - Authentic Chuck Wagon Serving Hot Beverages and Sweets
- 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Strolling Carolers - Liberty Hill Middle School Ensembles
- Noon - 9 p.m. Barrow Brewing Christmas Market
- 1 - 5 p.m. Grinch Fun for Kids - Who Hair Styles at Springhouse of Salado
- 1 - 3 p.m. Christmas Crafternoon (age 6 - 11) at Salado Public Library by reservation
- Afternoon/Eve. 21 Main: Live Pianist
- 2:30 p.m. Barrow Brewing Co. - Music from Benjamin Guenther
- 5 - 8 p.m. Howling Wolff Courtyard: Music from DJ Miles
- 5 p.m. The Potato Wagon food truck at The Mustard Seed
- 5:30 - 6:30 Santa Claus at the Corner of Main and Pace Park
- 6 - 8 p.m. First Baptist Church of Salado Live Nativity
- 6:30 - 8:30 The Shoppes on Main - music from Wayworn Traveler
- 7 p.m. Barrow Brewing Co. - music from Martian Folk
- 7 p.m. A Christmas Carol at Tablerock Amphitheater
- 7:30 - 9 p.m. Santa Claus at the Corner of Main and Pace Park

Sunday, December 2

- by reservation Blow Your Own Ornament at Salado Glassworks
- all day Food Trucks at Barrow Brewing Co. - Longbow Roasters and Happy Pizza Company
- all day Letters to Santa Claus at The Shoppes on Main (22 N. Main)
- 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Salado Artist Market featuring handmade items by Salado Artists at Salado Village Art Center
- 1:30 p.m. Barrow Brewing Co. - Music from Emmi



Santa makes his annual stop to meet with the little ones during the Salado Christmas Stroll. Santa arrives during the Nov. 29 Christmas Parade. He will be hosted by the Salado Volunteer Fire Department. Visit with him at Salado Civic Center after the parade as he lights the Village Christmas Tree. Take photos with Santa Friday or Saturday, he will be at his post 5 - 6:30 p.m. and from 7:30 - 9 p.m. at the corner of Main Street and Pace Park Road at the Thomas Arnold Road intersection.



Shops across the Village of Salado will welcome late night shoppers the first two weekends in December as part of the annual Salado Christmas Stroll.



Reserve your opportunity to blow your own glass ornament at Salado Glassworks or visit their Royal Street gallery to purchase an ornament by one of their resident glass artists.



A highlight of Salado's Christmas Stroll is the Live Nativity performed by First Baptist Church of Salado on Friday and Saturday evenings.



Strolling performances from school choirs can be found across the village each evening. See the Salado Christmas Stroll Calendar for times and schools.

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December

CHILDREN

Christmas Crafternoon for Kids *registration required*
December 1 | 1 - 3 p.m.

Read with Murphy
December 8 | 10:30 a.m.

Daddy-Daughter Craft *registration required*
December 6 | 6 - 7 p.m.

Mommy-Son Craft *registration required*
December 22 | 11 a.m.

Monday Storytime 11 a.m.
December 3 | 10 | 17 | 31

Saturday Storytime 1 p.m. & Storytime Yoga 1:45
December 8 | 15

Thursday KidZone 4 p.m.
December 13 | *Lego Club*

Christmas Survival Kits
Checkout beginning December 17
Kits contain movie, craft, books, game, recipes for leftovers, snacks.

TEENS
activities for age 11 +

TeenScene
December 8 | 3 p.m.
December 15 | 3 p.m.

ADULTS

Sit & Knit
Tuesdays | 10 a.m.

Adult Craft Time
December 5 | 2 p.m.

Adult Coloring
December 7 | 1 p.m.

Mah Jong
December 19 | 10 a.m.

Christmas Sock Party
December 14 | 11 a.m.
Fill a pair of new Christmas socks with little goodies, bring to exchange. We will collect additional socks for someone in need

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Thurs 10 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

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Merry Christmas
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December 24 & 25

Wrap & Yap
December 20 | 5 p.m.
Bring the kids' presents, wrapping paper and bows. Sit and wrap with other adults

Hour of Code
Kids, teens & 'tweens
December 4 - 6 | 3 - 6 p.m.
Drop in any time. No experience needed.

Family Movie: ELF
December 22 | 1 p.m.

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Smith Family of Salado

J. L. Smith marries Julia McDowell

By CAROL WILSON
HISTORIAN

PART II BEGINS WITH THE MARRIES OF JAMES SMITH AND JULIA MCDOWELL. PART I APPEARED IN SALADO VILLAGE VOICE, NOVEMBER 22, 2018 EDITION.

Thirty-year-old James Smith and eighteen-year-old Julia McDowell married April 16, 1857, in Jackson County. During the next three years, the couple lived in Independence, Tx where James served as the principal of the Preparatory Department of the school. During that time, the couple welcomed two sons, William Archibald in 1858 and James Lowry Jr. in 1860.

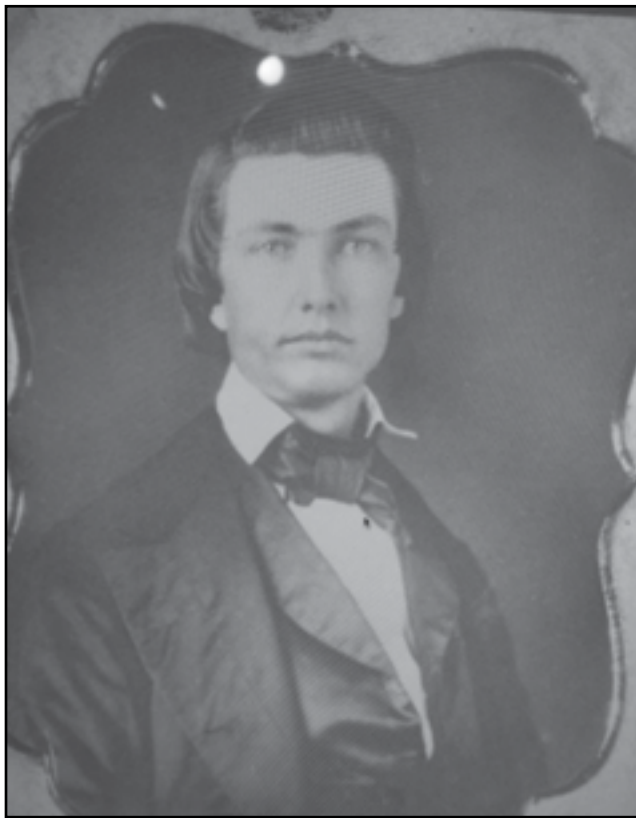
The Smith family's peaceful existence, like that of every family, was soon interrupted by the Civil War. James attempted to serve the Confederacy but was taken ill and forced to withdraw his services. While he possessed great intellectual and managerial capabilities and was blessed with a kind heart and great forbearance, James was not imbued with great physical strength or robust health. His fragile physical state was a serious matter that grew more troublesome over time. In a letter James wrote to Julia when he was traveling, he expressed that he was in great discomfort because of eye problems. On another occasion, one of the Smith sons went to a neighboring town during the winter to escort his father home. Poor health put James at risk in many situations, caused him great suffering, placed a burden of concern on his family, and ultimately shortened his life.

The Confederate government had granted a dispensation to teachers, excusing them from military service. Sometimes it was still a sensitive subject as evidenced by this statement from Baylor University, presumably issued to ward off criticism:

"It is said that war turns backwards the wheels of civilization. Teachers leave the schoolroom for the battlefield and many of their pupils with them while others, on account of the stringency of the times, are kept at home... Our national legislators, seeing the importance of the culture of the young, have exempted our teachers from military duty, even in this time of great peril."

James, working as a teacher, was no less a Confederate. He and Julia constantly worried about the war and more specifically about the men who were fighting for the Confederacy. That group consisted of many friends, associates, and family members including three of Julia's brothers: William, Eugene and Anthony. Information was difficult to obtain and when it came it was sometimes hard to accept. These excerpts, taken from a letter Julia received from her sister-in-law during the war, are heartbreaking:

"After the second day of the fight at the Battle of Shiloh, Eugene was found to be among the missing. I can see no grounds for hope. We are just beginning to realize the horror of war. Our only consolation is that he died in a glorious cause. I dread to get the ----- news lest we hear something sad of brother. There was no medicine in the country and Dr. Woolfork said if the bad weather continued much



James Lowry Smith married Julia McDowell on April 16, 1857 in Jackson County. They couple lived in Independence where James was a principal of the Preparatory Department of the School.

(PHOTO COURTESY OF BEN ANDREWS AND CHRISTINE SMITH)



Julia McDowell was 18 years old when she married James Lowry Smith. The couple moved to Salado in 1863. (PHOTO COURTESY OF BEN ANDREWS AND CHRISTINE SMITH)

longer, half the regiment would die. They want nurses very much. I wish it was in my power to go to Brother. The Texans suffer much. They have the hardships to endure, and are rushed into the most danger. In my last letter, I think I told you that John Bolling was trying to [be] a substitute. John did not reach the regiment til the day after the battle. He writes the boys all look badly. They are completely worn out. They did not recover from the fatigues of their march before they had to fight and the next night after the battle they received orders to march on the following day. All that were well enough intended to go - which will leave Brother to be left among strangers. Mr. McDowell also was very sick. Mr. Clary marches through days and fought on without shoes. He said his feet were so sore he could scarcely walk and that the battlefield is a terrible place. They have all seen enough and do not want to be in another fight... We cannot expect all to come back."

Another letter, sent to Julia from James after he encountered a returning soldier while on a trip, contained sentiments that are equally tragic.

"Moors Regiment [was] very near all being lost by being cut off from the main army at night. Col Owen was left on the ground to mercy of the enemy and I suppose his remains will never be identified...He tells me a great deal more than I can write. The saddest

part - the morning he left there were only sixty-two in the whole regiment fit for duty all from over heat and hunger. And when they got it, ate too much which gave them diarrhea and fever."

Of Julia's three brothers, who suffered under such terrible conditions, only the youngest, Anthony, survived the war.

About 1862 James accepted a job with the Milam Liberal Institute and moved his family to Cameron. In early 1863, while still living in Cameron, the Smiths welcomed their third son, Eugene.

In Salado, some forty-four miles west of Cameron, things were not running smoothly at the school. E. S. C. Robertson was away much of the time serving the war effort but trying to offer advice by letter. Sadly, from the beginning, luck had not been on the side of the trustees of the school. Money was always scarce and scrutiny of the school staff ran high. The board had released the school's first principal, Levi Tenney after only one year, citing problems with discipline. The board was not alone in its criticism nor was its censure reserved for Principal Tenney. Several patrons also complained about the teachers. Tenney's replacement, a minister named Dr. Anderson, lasted only a short time before he too became the target of certain Salado residents who drew up a petition of complaint against him. By the fall of 1861, Salado College welcomed its third principal,

Giddings Judson Buck. In the summer of 1862, Principal Buck resigned his post and joined Waco's 30th Regiment of Texas Calvary Rangers. But this departure, like the preceding ones, was tainted by controversy. At the time he left, a group of residents was building a case against Buck, a movement one of the trustees described as "a heavy storm."

These numerous dismissals are a rather mysterious part of the school's history. Little is known about Dr. Anderson, but Levi Tenney and Giddings Buck were certainly capable men, successful before and after their tenure at Salado College. Tenney dedicated his life to advancing education and spreading the gospel and Buck later became a lawyer and judge. Whatever the cause for the firings, one point was clear: in 1863 Salado College needed someone in leadership who was not only a good teacher and administrator, but also a diplomat.

On July 3, 1863, the Board settled on offering the principal position to James Lowry Smith. Although Smith could not hold the critics at bay forever, he held the reins of the school for a decade in a way that earned him this praise: "It is said that Professor J. L. Smith and his faculty built Salado College to its highest standard."

The addition of the James Lowry Smith family to Salado would prove a good one for the school as well as for the community at large.

NOTES FOR THIS PART:

3. THE BELLVILLE COUNTRYMAN, AUGUST 30, 1862.
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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 BankCorp South \$
- 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 \$
- First Eye Care Salado S
- 75 Bruce Bolick, CPA \$
- 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 \$
- 87 The Personal Wealth Coach \$
- 89 Stamp Salado S
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- 91 Troy Smith Financial Services \$
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- 96 Salado Plaza \$
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- 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
- 130 Village Spirits S
- 132 Broecker Funeral Home \$
- 133 Johnny's Steaks and BBQ D
- 136 Salado Schools & Stadium C
- 139 Cedar Valley Baptist Church C
- Not Shown on the Shopping Map**
- Animal Medical \$
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Many times, animals are heard before they are seen. Many bird and amphibian observations begin with the hearing of the animal before it is actually seen. But there is one animal who is more often smelled before it is seen, and it is a common denizen of west Texas.

The Striped Skunk (*Mephitis mephitis*) can be observed in every county of this state, and it appears that it is no more prevalent in any particular eco-region more than another. Outside of Texas it occurs in every state of the U.S. and can be seen in all habitats other than the top of the Rocky Mountains. Its natural range extends northward into southern Canada and southward into extreme northern Mexico (primarily Chihuahua, Coahuila, and Nuevo Leon). It thrives in a multitude of habitats varying from desert scrub to densely forested areas to grasslands and prairies. It does seem to prefer to den among densely vegetated rocky crevices near streams.

Striped skunks are medium sized mammals that



Striped Skunk



Wild About Texas
Michael Price

have a maximum body length of just under two feet, although most specimens are a tad smaller. Like many mammals in this region, the males are the larger sex. The body is black and there are two white stripes that run lengthwise down the body to the tail. These stripes are connected in the neck region, and they can be of varying widths. The long and bushy ten inch tail is colored and patterned similarly to the body. The head is typically all black, save for a narrow stripe of white fur along the midline. The small eyes are coal black. Each foot has five toes; the front ones have long claws that are utilized for foraging for food.

Besides the distinguishing coloration characteristics, this mammalian species is more widely known for its pungent smell. This

stench, most often used as a last resort defensive strategy, is produced from two large scent glands on either side of the anus. Anyone who has had the opportunity to smell this odor up close, whether it be man or animal, is certain to not want to do it again!

Striped Skunks, like the other five species of skunks found in Texas, are almost exclusively nocturnal. It often is active throughout the entire night, retiring to its den just before the dawn's first light appears. It is omnivorous, feeding on both plant and animal matter. Insects make up the vast majority of its prey, although smaller mammals (such as mice and baby rabbits), ground-nestling birds and eggs, and even reptiles are consumed regularly. Many times this species will gorge itself preparing for

the winter months. During the warmer times of the year, adults may only weigh as little as four pounds, but during the colder winter times of the year they can attain weights of nearly fourteen pounds.

Skunks are highly social animals, many living in groups of five to ten individuals. Oftentimes, the group is actually a family, consisting of a male, female, and their offspring. Breeding occurs in the spring, and the gestation period lasts between eight and ten weeks. The three to nine young (average of five) are similar in appearance to the adults, save for much shorter hair, closed eyes, and closed ear canals. Their eyes and ears open after just one month, and they young are able to defend themselves by "spraying" by six weeks. Weaning occurs at about two months of age, and they remain with the family group until early fall.

Striped Skunks are rarely attacked by other animals. In fact, automobiles are probably one of, if not the, main cause of mortality in wild skunks. Few skunks live more than two years in the wild. Skunks are occasionally harvested for its pelt, but low values have kept it from being of significant in fur production. Populations of this "stinky" mammal in Texas are quite stable, and unlike the other four species of skunk in the state, it has adapted to human encroachment quite well.



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This spacious master suite has a large bedroom, study, & spa like bathroom complete with 2 granite counter-top vanities, large walk in shower, garden tub, and 2 walk in cabinets. With multiple living and dining areas. 1415 Mill Creek Drive, Salado. \$500,000. First Texas Brokerage 947-5577 9/8tfn

Exquisite custom home with incredible curb appeal! This spacious home is filled with desirable finishes including stone accent walls, stain grade cabinets, granite counter-tops, custom concrete hardwood floors and a three car garage. 10841 Stinnet Mill, Salado. First Texas Brokerage 254-947-5577 9/8tfn \$599,900.

This home features high ceilings with wood beams and a custom rock fireplace. The detailed craftsmanship is shown through this open concept plan with clean lines, cool colors, and fresh design. Not only is the house gorgeous, but take a look around the almost 3 acres of land. 1411 Crystal Springs, Salado. \$549,900. Call First Texas Brokerage 947-5577.

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FOR THE WEEK OF 11-19-18 THROUGH 11-25-18



- 11-19-18 Call of a stolen trailer in the 900 block of N. Main. A construction flatbed trailer was missing from the back yard of a construction area.
- 11-20-18 Call of person who fell in a ditch in the 500 block of N. Main. The patient had fallen into a drainage ditch and injured her arm. She was transported by EMS to the hospital.
- 11-21-18 Call of a domestic disturbance at a business in the 100 block of Royal. The non-employee was asked to leave and warned not to return.
- 11-22-18 Call of an alarm in the 1300 block of Walker Circle. There was an unlocked back door. The officer checked the home and secured the door.
- 11-23-18 Call of a stranded vehicle on I-35 and 2268. The driver had run out of gas. The officer gave the driver a ride to get gas.
- 11-23-18 Call from the 800 block of 2268 of a shot fired. The caller stated that an unknown person had fired a shot through the building. It is unknown where the shot was fired.
- 11-23-18 Call of a suspicious vehicle parked in a driveway on Vanessa. The property owner was contacted. They had given permission for the vehicle to park in the driveway.
- 11-24-18 Officer made a traffic stop on N Stagecoach and Mary Lane for a traffic violation. The driver was arrested for a suspended license.
- 11-24-18 Call of suspicious people walking around a house in the 1300 block of Indian Trail. Officer checked the area. The house was empty and for sale. There was no one on scene when officer arrived.
- 11-25-18 Report of a stalled vehicle on N Robertson and 2484. Officer was able to push the vehicle out of the roadway.
- 1-25-18 Call of shots fired in the 700 block of Center Circle. Resident stated that he saw a vehicle drive into his back yard from the street. The resident shot out the tire on the vehicle. The case is under investigation.

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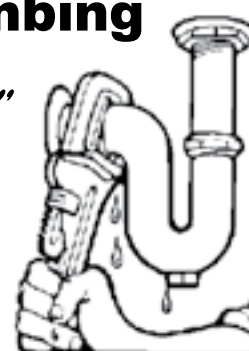
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