



SISD trustees approve contracts for bond

By **TIM FLEISCHER**
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Salado school trustees awarded bids at their Feb. 11 meeting to Chaney-Cox construction for construction of the Thomas Arnold Elementary corridor and football stadium work and to Lee Lewis Construction for construction of the Middle School and baseball and softball fields on Williams Rd.

Darrell Street gave the motion to select Lee Lewis Construction as the contractor and authorize the superintendent to negotiate the contract for the Salado Middle School and Baseball and Softball fields construction.

The district received only two bids for the Middle School package: Lee Lewis Construction at \$36.3 million and Drymalle at \$36.5 million for base bids. The district opted for Lee Lewis as the most qualified following a ranking by a school district committee.

Chaney-Cox submitted the low base bid of \$2,575,000 for the construction of the safety corridor at Thomas Arnold Elementary and work at the Salado Eagle Stadium that includes putting artificial surface on the field, renovations of the

concession stands and moving a 200-seat section of stands from the home side to the visitors' side of the stadium. Also bidding were STR Construction at \$2.7 million and Built Wright at \$2.6 million. Chaney-Cox was also the top qualified bidder according to the ranking committee. Trustees approved an additional \$28,000 in alternates for construction of a covered vestibule for the TAE Corridor.

Trustees also approved add-ons for the work. The board approved \$1.7 million in additional work at the Middle School and Baseball and Softball bid, including \$1.5 million for artificial turf for the baseball and softball fields, \$151,000 for lockers and a changing room on the home side dug outs of the baseball and softball fields, \$101,000 in additional landscaping at the Middle School, \$14,000 for impact resistant film on windows and doors at the main entries of the Middle School and \$17,000 for wireless locks for interior doors at the Middle School.

The bids will bring the total construction costs to \$40.7 million. Additional soft costs and furniture costs will total \$6.8 million. Estimated costs to tie water and

wastewater to the campus is \$1.15 million, which will leave about \$800,000 in contingency in the \$49.4 million bond budget.

In other business, trustees approved \$99,336 for the addition of 449 stadium seats for the home side of the Eagle stadium. This will expand the stadium by 249 seats on the home side (because 200 seats are being moved to the visitor side) and 200 seats on the visitor side of the stadium. This will come from the bond budget as well. This proposal comes through the BuyBoard program.

In other business, trustees approved conveying an acre of property to Bell County for the expansion of Williams Rd. Near the school campuses. The expansion of the road will allow for a the turning lane on Williams Rd. Work is expected to begin over the summer on the road.

Trustees discussed but took no action on construction of four tennis courts with lighting on the Williams Rd. Campus. The work is estimated to cost \$500,000 and will be brought to trustees at a later date. The work will be paid from the district fund balance. Eight courts would cost an estimated \$900,000.



(PHOTO BY TIM FLEISCHER)

Two Frederickburg Battlin Billies converge on Salado's Katie Law during the Lady Eagles' bi-district loss on Feb. 12 played at Burger Stadium in Austin. Salado lost to the first place team in District 28-4A by a score of 55-47, ending their season. For a game story and photos, turn to page 1B

Deadline to file as candidate in local elections is Feb. 15

The deadline to file as a candidate in any of the three May 4 local elections is 5 p.m. on Feb. 15.

As of presstime, only two candidates have filed for three two-year terms on the Village of Salado Board of Aldermen: Rodney Bell and John Cole.

Incumbents Michael McDougal and Andy Jackson have not filed yet.

Salado ISD will have a contested race for two three-year terms on its Board of Directors. Incumbent Jeff Kelley, Amy McLane and Brand Webb have filed for the school board.

Three two-year terms on the Salado Public Library District Board of Directors will be decided in May as well. Those positions are currently filled by Joycelyn

Miller, Bobbette Bell and Patricia Rehm. Miller and Emmy Alvarez are the only candidates to have filed for election. Bell announced to the Library board that she would not file for re-election.

The deadline to file as a write-in candidate is 5 p.m. Feb. 19. Applications are available at each of the governing body's offices.

What does it mean to be from Salado? It's complicated

By **TIM FLEISCHER**
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

"I'm from Salado!"

We proudly boast that wherever we may be in the state. We're surprised when folks around the state don't know where we are, or who we are for that matter.

"Where is that?" we may hear. Or perhaps, "Oh yeah the Stagecoach, we used to go there for"

For most of its 150+ year history, Salado has been more a state of mind than an actual state of being, at least as far as mapmakers and census takers are concerned.

Except for a short period beginning in the latter part of the 19th Century and the incorporation of The Village of Salado in 2000, Salado has been an undefined community, in terms of boundaries.

Salado was first incorporated in 1867 for the sole purpose of financing the construction of a bridge over the Salado Creek. Its first mayor was Orville T. Tyler (one of the first residents of Bell County having a Spanish grant of land dating to 1834). Tyler came to Salado so that his children could attend Salado College.

That incorporation of Salado lasted 20 years because state law at the time required corporations to have a lifespan of 20 years, unless extended by action of the corporate body.

After that, Salado was an unincorporated village until 2000, when citizens foresaw the threat of annexation by the City of Belton and hurriedly pulled together a successful incorporation election.

The boundaries that were drawn for that incorpora-

tion election were the same boundaries that were used for a failed attempt at incorporation in the mid-1990s.

The Local Government Code Sec. 7.001. states that, "A community may not incorporate as a general-law municipality unless it meets the following territorial requirements:

- (1) a community with fewer than 2,000 inhabitants must have not more than two square miles of surface area;
- (2) a community with 2,001 to 4,999 inhabitants must have not more than four square miles of surface area;
- (3) a community with 5,001 to 9,999 inhabitants must have not more than nine square miles of surface area."

In 1995, the Salado Chamber of Commerce contracted with the Central Texas Council of Governments to conduct a study into the pros and cons of incorporation. That study was done by Jim Reed, then a planner for CTCOG. Reed is now the Executive Director of CTCOG.

The Chamber paid CTCOG to draw the boundaries for an incorporation election for a community of fewer than 2,000 people, the reason being that Salado did not have a large enough population base within a four square mile area to meet either of the higher standards.

The 1990 Census listed the population of the Salado Census Designated Place (CDP) as 1,216.¹ The boundaries of the Salado CDP were not readily located, but the Federal Census bureau worked with local officials (County Judge, County Commissioners, etc.) to determine the CDP boundar-

ies. They may have roughly been the boundaries of Salado Independent School District, which is about 100 square miles.

The boundaries were drawn with these thoughts in mind by the committee that worked with CTCOG on the election map:

1. Protect the historic district.
2. Include as many residents as possible for population base.
3. Don't incur unnecessary costs for a brand new incorporation, (i.e. streets, patrols, etc.)

This is why the Salado cemetery and Salado schools are not in the original boundaries of Salado.

At that time, Bell County had a program where deputies worked as resource officers at the schools that were in unincorporated areas. Salado had two of those officers on the Thomas Arnold complex. There was concern that if the schools were in the Village limits, they would lose the resource officers.

Also, including the schools and cemetery would have pushed the boundaries beyond the two square mile limit with no additional residents.

The incorporation election in 1996 failed miserably. Residents did not think that Belton would ever strip annex down I-35; at that time the southern limits of Belton were north of the Lampasas River.

Fast forward to early 2000, when Belton annexed a 1,000 foot wide one mile strip down I-35, extending its Extra Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ) south of the Lampasas. Annexation takes about 90 days when fast tracked and citizens were wor-

ried that Belton could cut a swath down I-35, encompass Main Street and take away our identity as a community. Residents looked at a timeline of Belton annexing down I-35 in three quick processes to reach Salado.

This was also why the boundaries of the failed incorporation election were recycled for the 2000 election, which passed by about a 7 to 1 margin.

As this was happening, the 2000 Census was being conducted, but there were no boundaries of an incorporated Salado yet. So again, the Census Bureau used a much wider boundary of the Salado CDP for a 2000 population of 3,475.²

The first time that the Village of Salado as an incorporated municipality was counted in the Census was 2010 with a population of 2,126.³

Annexation

As a General Law Municipality, the Village of Salado cannot annex property at-will. Annexation must come voluntarily at the request of property owners.

Since its incorporation in 2000, Salado has accepted four voluntary annexations into its limits.

1. Annexation of some of the newer part of Mill Creek by petition of property owners. One property owner within the annexation area fought it in court, which cost the Village more than \$50,000 in legal fees to defend.
2. Annexation of the Fairway Golf Carts property, brought by the then-owner Larry and Elaine Wolfe.
3. Voluntary annexation of Country Boy convenience store by the owner. The an-

nexation followed an election to allow for the sale of beer and wine for off-site consumption.

4. Voluntary annexation of the property known as The Sanctuary through a series of agreements to provide sewer services, tax rebates and other economic agreements.

Since the incorporation of the Village of Salado, we have had five Mayors: Charlotte Douglass, Rick Ashe, Merle Stalcup, Danney McCort and Skip Blancett.

Extra-Territorial Jurisdiction: What is it?

When Ashe was Mayor, the Village of Salado accepted dozens (if not hundreds) of requests for voluntary annexation into the Extra Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ).

This was in reaction to expansions of the city limits by Belton to the north, Temple to the east and Killeen to the west. During this period, Killeen became designated as a municipality of under 100,000, which meant its municipality immediately jumped from two-miles beyond the city limits to five miles beyond the city limits. This brought the ETJ of Killeen across Lake Stillhouse in the western portion of the school district.

Feeling the threat, residents of Woods of Salado, along Amity East and Amity West, FM 2484, FM 2683 and even Hidden Springs brought petitions for annexation into the ETJ of Salado to the Village. All were accepted as a way of protecting our community from being annexed by a neighboring municipality.

Currently, the city limits of Belton abuts our ETJ to the north and Killeen's ETJ

reaches south and west of Salado.⁴

What does it mean to live in the ETJ of Salado? Not much. Salado cannot annex at-will, so there is little threat of being annexed by the Village any time soon. Even if Salado reaches the magical population of 5,000 and becomes a Home Rule City, the state laws on annexation at-will have become very restrictive. For one thing, a municipality can only annex 10 percent of its land size per year! For Salado, that would be less than 200 acres per year right now (one square mile is 640 acres, 10 percent of which is 64 acres).

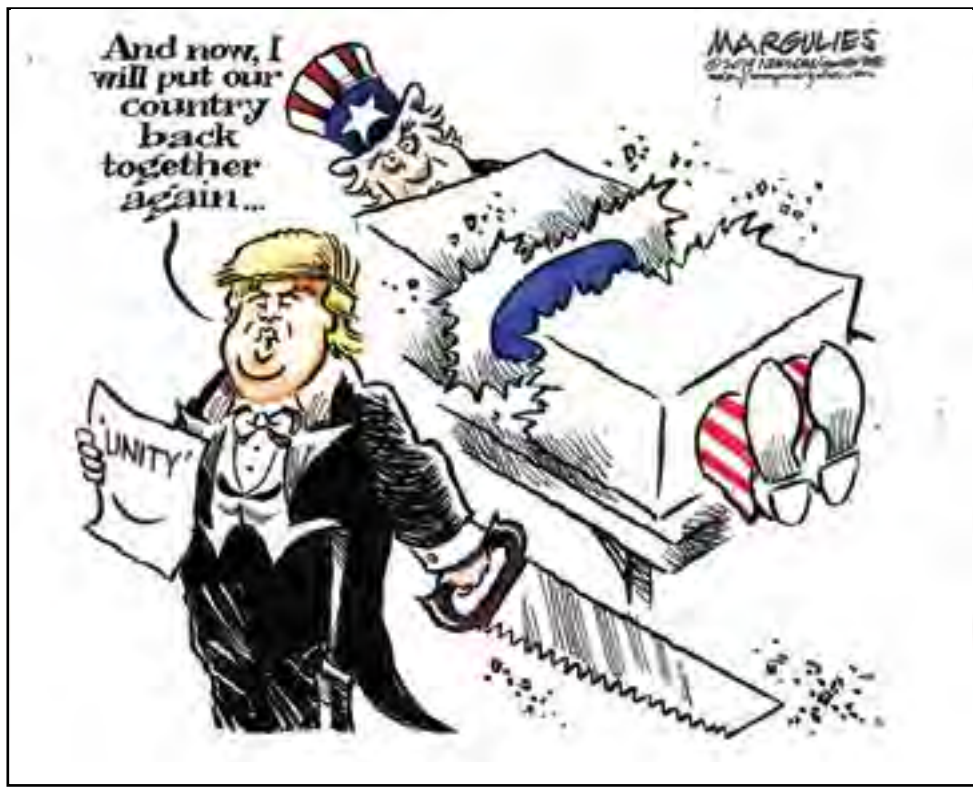
However, properties within the ETJ are bound by the Village Subdivision Ordinance and the Village Sign Ordinance. The Zoning Ordinance only applies within the incorporated boundaries.

What about taxes?

For its first seven years, the Village of Salado survived wholly on sales tax revenues, franchise taxes and other revenue sources. It did not have an ad valorem tax (property tax).

In 2008, the ad valorem tax was adopted for the first time at \$0.0492 per \$100 evaluation. At that time, the Board of Aldermen also adopted the following local option tax exemptions and property tax freezes.

- 20 percent homestead exemption with \$5,000 minimum. For a \$200,000 homestead, the property is taxed at \$160,000 valuation.
- \$50,000 exemption for over 65 and disabled. This deducts another \$50,000 from the taxable value of the homestead of those over 65 or those who are disabled.



Economists think GDP will slow to 1-2% by end of 2019

The Markets

The S&P 500 Stock Index (SPX) did a small standing jump at the end of the day on Friday to just barely keep its now seven-week gain streak going and close at 2707.88, up a tiny 0.05 percent for the week. That small gain was a relief after the Index surged to 2737 on Tuesday but then fell off a cliff on Thursday when the administration announced that there would be no China-US summit before the March 1 deadline for the U.S. imposed tariffs to rise to 25 percent on most Chinese imports. The SPX dropped as low as 2684 by Friday morning before starting recovery. Companies in the SPX are now on track to report about a 2 percent decline in growth from last year's first quarter as they face the multiple threats of an increased trade war and economic weakness in China, a "hard" Brexit that cuts out the UK, a major U.S. trading partner, and recession warnings from the European Union.

Reflecting the general gloomy forecast, the 10-year U.S. Treasury note yield declined 1.31 tenths of a percent to 2.63 percent on the same bad news after having risen to 2.73 percent on Tuesday. The Treasury yield-curve continued to exhibit a sag between 2 and 5 years, suggesting that the bond market sees a potential economic slump on the horizon for next year. Following suit, West Texas Crude Oil dropped 4.82 percent for the week to \$52.71. Gold declined 0.32 percent to \$1,317.90.

The Economy

As the Bureau of Economic Research (BEA) plays catch-up following the shutdown, information is trickling out. U.S. factory orders declined 0.6 percent in November, resulting in

Market & Economic Update

By Jeffrey W. McClure



a 2.2 percent growth for 12 months, the weakest since late 2016. Still, Moody's Economics remains optimistic that we will avoid a recession in 2019. In some surprisingly good news, the U.S. nominal trade deficit narrowed in November, dropping to \$49.3 billion from \$55.7 billion in October. The drop in the trade deficit boosted Moody's estimate for 4th quarter annualized GDP growth to 2.7 percent. Unfortunately, the BEA still hasn't been able to gather the data necessary to give us an official GDP estimate and does not yet have a date when we can expect the announcement.

Long-term, the U.S. GDP growth is based on just a few simple elements: the number of workers, number of hours worked per worker, and net output per hour, minus the trade deficit. Unfortunately, our birth rate has dropped for the third consecutive year and is now the lowest since 1937. In the past, we have relied on high immigration rates to offset the decline, but immigration rates have fallen and continue to drop. Over the last year, we have seen a 2.1 percent increase in the average hours per workweek, adding to GDP growth for 2018, but there is a distinct limit to how far that can go. Another unfortunate fact is that the one-year productivity growth in the U.S. through last November was only 0.6 percent.

If we add up the 2.1 percent increase in hours worked and the 0.6 percent net increase in output per hour (productivity), we get a GDP growth rate of 2.7

percent. That sounds reasonable until we consider that it is extremely unlikely that we will either see significant growth in the workforce in 2019 or another large increase in hours worked. Those data are why economists are suggesting that by the end of 2019, GDP growth will slow to an annualized rate between 1 percent and 2 percent.

There are two apparent solutions to the potentially low growth rate we face. One is the traditional one of allowing more immigration, thereby increasing the number of workers and hours worked. Employers across the economy are nearly unanimous in their complaint that they are unable to find enough workers to grow their businesses. The second solution has the potential to take longer but is profound in its implications. In a word, the answer is automation. Automation in the works ranges from self-driving trucks and cars to systems that could build most of a new home.

The drawback to the automation solution to GDP growth is that we are not there yet and probably will not be there for several years. In the interim, we easily could see either an economic slowdown or a recession as we reach economic capacity limits and temporarily hit a bump. That also suggests that when we do see large-scale automated systems taking over manual labor, we may see a jump in productivity that could spur us to economic growth rates we have not seen since the 1920s.

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An Open Exchange of Ideas

Texans rank education at top of priorities for legislature to address

According to a recent poll regarding Texas public education perceptions, Texans say education is the most important issue for the governor and Texas Legislature to address.

Enrollment in Texas public schools increased by 18.8 percent between 2004 and 2014, more than six times the increase across the United States (3.1 percent) during this same time period. This dramatic increase in statewide public school enrollment was the second-highest in the nation, behind Utah (26.6 percent).

Student enrollment and Average Daily Attendance (ADA) in Texas has increased every school year. However, state funding for the Foundation School Program (FSP) has decreased from \$16.7 billion in the 2009-10 school year to \$15.7 billion in 2018-19. As a result, state aid per student (ADA) has dropped from \$3,840 in the 2009-10 school year to \$3,253 in the 2018-19 school year.

The state share of funding public education has steadily declined since 2014 when it was 45 percent. The Legislative Budget Board (LBB) projects the state share of public education funding will be only 38 percent for Fiscal Year (FY) 2019.

Superintendent's Corner

by Dr. Michael Novotny



The Texas Legislature is currently in session and has the opportunity to improve school funding. Texas Governor Greg Abbott named the following emergency items in his State of the State address last week: school finance reform, teacher pay raises, property tax relief, school safety, disaster response and mental health programs.

Anyone that would like to share their opinions regarding school funding or any other topic for the Texas Legislature can contact the offices of the following

elected officials:
 Governor Greg Abbott (800) 843-5789
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Democrats' New Agenda Meets Political Reality

Sen. Kamala Harris committed a most unusual gaffe at her recent CNN town hall -- not by misspeaking about one of her central policy proposals, but by describing it accurately.

Asked if the "Medicare-for-all" plan she's co-sponsoring with Sen. Bernie Sanders eliminates private health insurance, she said that it most certainly does. Citing insurance company paperwork and delays, she waved her hand: "Let's eliminate all of that. Let's move on."

She met with approbation from the friendly audience in Des Moines, Iowa, but the reaction elsewhere was swift and negative.

"As the furor grew," CNN reported the following day, "a Harris adviser signaled that the candidate would also be open to the more moderate health reform plans, which would preserve the industry, being floated by other congressional Democrats."

This was a leading Democrat wobbling on one of her top priorities 48 hours after the kickoff of her presidential campaign. It is sure to be the first of many unpleasant encounters between the new Democratic agenda and political reality.

Democrats are now moving from the hothouse phase of jockeying for the nom-

Rich Lowry



ination, when all they had to do was get on board the party's orthodoxy as defined by Bernie Sanders, to defending these ideas in the context of possibly signing them into law as president of the United States.

The Harris flap shows that insufficient thought has been given to how these proposals will strike people not already favorably disposed to the new socialism. It's one thing for Bernie Sanders to favor eliminating private health insurance; no one has ever believed that he is likely to become president. It's another for Harris, deemed a possible front-runner, to say it.

Her position is jaw-droppingly radical. It flips the script of the (dishonest) Barack Obama pledge so essential to passing Obamacare: "If you like your health care plan, you'll be able to keep your health care plan, period. No one will take it away, no matter what."

Ten years later, Harris indeed wants to take away your health plan, not in a stealthy operation, not as an unfortunate byproduct of

the rest of her plan, but as a defining plank of her agenda.

This is a far more disruptive idea than Sen. Elizabeth Warren's wealth tax. The affected population isn't a limited group of highly affluent people. It is half the population, roughly 180 million people who aren't eager for the government to swoop in and nullify their current health care arrangements. They may not like the current system, but they like their own health care -- about three-quarters tell Gallup that their own health care is excellent or good.

How is a President Harris going to overcome this kind of resistance absent Depression-era Democratic supermajorities in Congress? Not to mention pay for a program that might well cost \$30 trillion over 10 years and beat back fierce opposition from key players in the health-care industry? She obviously won't.

If it's uncomfortable for Kamala Harris to defend eliminating private health insurance now, imagine what it will be like when the entire apparatus of the Republican Party -- including the president's Twitter feed -- is aimed at her in a general election.

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What's with the barbed wire?

Your Voice

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

Really! Come on folks! Did new guidelines for fences in the historic district of Salado recently change to include barbed wire barriers along the top? Generally, that kind of fence isn't considered attractive or welcoming in almost any situation. Surely, a gazebo with lattice or a small, attractive building would be

more desirable along the Royal Street sewer treatment installation line. Look for our new pump station, it's right by Ramble Restaurant, across from Barrow Brewery and it includes barbed wire décor accents. Just wondering about P&Z actions, too.

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Community Life

SARW 13th Annual Fine China Luncheon



The Salado Area Republican Women are busy planning their 13th Anniversary of the Annual Fine China Luncheon and Fund-raiser scheduled for Thursday, March 28, at the Blue Heron Room at Tenroc Ranch, 5471 Thomas Arnold Road in Salado.

The event starts at 11:30 a.m. and it promises to be a full house. There will be 24 fancy tables with some decorated by local businesses. There are still a few openings for those ladies or businesses who would like to host a table. Decorating a table does not obligate the host/hostess to sell all 8 tickets to their table.

For more information contact Dorothy Dentry at ddentry13@gmail.com or at 254 760 2456.

Lynette Jones of McCain's Café and Bakery will furnish the meal. Proceeds from the fundraiser go to-

ward funding civic, educational, military and political campaigns. Some of the educational events SARW sponsors locally are providing each third-grader with a personal dictionary, and providing each fifth-grad-

er with a pocket edition of the U.S. Constitution. Two scholarships of \$1,500 are given out each year as well. For the past four years the ladies of SARW have sent care packages to deployed troops, including 52 pack-

ages sent during the past nine months.

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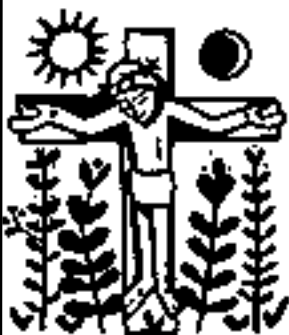
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Salado Museum and College Park Inc. announces new officers for 2019

Salado Museum and College Park, Inc. (www.saladomuseum.org) is pleased to announce the installation of new officers and board members. Serving as officers are Sterling Ambrose, Nashville, TN, President; Liz Patranella, Austin, TX, Vice-President; Pat Darnell, Harker Heights, TX, Secretary; and Pat Suggs, Salado, TX, Treasurer. Board members are Tyler Fletcher, KD Hill, Kara Kelley, and David Swarthout, all of Salado. Mary Mendez continues as office manager.

"The museum was founded in 1959 by Lucile Robertson to preserve local history and commemorate the early pioneers who

settled Salado, including her own ancestors" says Mrs. Robertson's grandson. "Through her efforts and those of countless dedicated volunteers and supporters, the museum has survived and the ruins on College Hill have been protected for 60 years.

"We are pleased that today the majority of our board members live in Salado because now more than ever, it is up to the people of

Salado to be the stewards of the museum and College Park. We hope many more historically-minded local townspeople will join us as volunteers, supporters or patrons of the museum."

Since 1961 the museum has celebrated the Scottish heritage of the founders of Salado with its major annual fundraising event, the Scottish Gathering and Highland Games, held the second weekend each November. Ambrose suggests

this as only one area where people can get involved.

"Yes, we need volunteers for the Gathering, but there is a lot more going on here that people can be part of. Anyone interested in helping to maintain and develop the museum for future generations should contact us to discover what role you can play."

For more information, contact Mary Mendez at 254-947-5232, or stop by the museum.

Lastovica Represents Texas Cattle Producers on Beef Checkoff Boards

AUSTIN, TX - Cattleman Steven Lastovica has been named to the Texas Beef Council (TBC) and the Beef Promotion Research Council of Texas (BPRCT) board of directors. This is his fifth term on the board and serves as chairman as an at-large member representing Texas beef producers. Board members' terms coincide with TBC's fiscal year that began October 1.

The checkoff boards establish the budget and ultimately decide which demand building programs receive checkoff funding collected under the national and state Beef Checkoff Program.

The board consists entirely of beef producers providing representation of the state through organizational affiliation. In addition, the board may elect two directors at large, without nomination by a qualified organization, to round out the board with equitable geographic and sector representation. Directors can serve up to six consecutive one-year terms on the checkoff boards.

As chairman of the TBC board, Lastovica serves on the executive committee and oversees both committees: domestic marketing and beef resources. The executive committee is responsible for overseeing board decisions and speaking on behalf of Texas beef producers when necessary.



Steven Lastovica serves on Texas Beef Council Board

The domestic marketing committee approves and evaluates checkoff-funded programs in the areas of retail and food service outreach, consumer marketing, media relations, and nutrition and health outreach. The beef resources committee approves and evaluates checkoff-funded beef quality assurance programs, producer communications, issues and reputation management, research projects and export programs conducted in partnership with the U.S. Meat Export Federation (USMEF).

Lastovica is the owner of Milano Livestock Exchange, a licensed and bonded livestock dealership providing stocker and feeder cattle to feedlots, as well as replacement females through internet and private treaty sales. Lastovica and his family also own

and operate Lastovica Cattle Company, a registered Angus cattle operation. He is a member of the Texas Angus Association, American Angus Association, National Cattlemen's Beef Association, Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, Livestock Marketing Association, the Texas A&M Association of Former Students, and the Twelfth Man Foundation. He serves on the ALEC Advisory Board for the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at TAMU, and received the 2016 Outstanding Alumni Award from the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Texas A&M University. Steven and his wife, Sandra, have two children and reside in Salado where they are involved in numerous community activities and organizations.

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Community Life

Bell County Museum Spring Lecture Series Thursday Night Lights Author, Michael Hurd

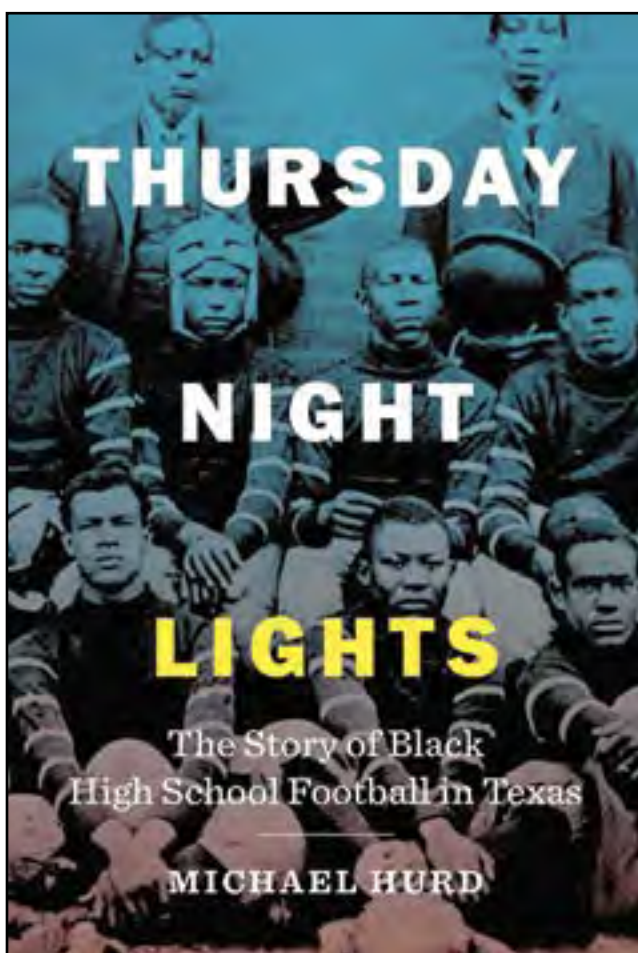
[BELTON, TEXAS—02/09/2019] – Bell County Museum, in partnership with Salado Museum and College Park and Salado Institute for the Humanities, kick off the 2019 Spring Lecture Series with a presentation by Michael Hurd, author of Thursday Night Lights: The Story of Black High School Football in Texas. The book tells the largely untold story of segregated African-American high school football programs in Texas between 1920 and 1970, and features Temple Dunbar High School and football legend Joe Greene. The event takes place on Saturday, February 16th, 2pm, at the Bell County Museum. Admission is free. Mr. Hurd will sign copies of book following the lecture.



Author, Michael Hurd

Austin. He has worked as a sports writer at the Houston Post, the Austin American-Statesman, USA Today, and Yahoo Sports, and has authored three books, including his most recent Thursday Night Lights, the Story of Black High School Football in Texas. He serves on the selection committee for the Black College Football Hall of Fame, is a board member for the Writers' League of Texas, and a member of the Texas Institute of Letters.

"We are excited to host Mr. Hurd for the first installment of this year's Spring Lecture Series. His insights into the reality of segregation in Texas seen through the lens of football



will bring value and substance to our audiences," said Coleman Hampton, Bell County Museum Director. "Many thanks to Salado Museum and College Park and the Salado Institute for the Humanities, which has hosted quality lectures for decades, for partnering again this year," Hampton

continued. The Bell County Museum exists to engage and educate the community by collecting, preserving, and interpreting the prehistoric and historic heritage of Bell County. Located at 201 N. Main St., Belton, Tx., 76513, the museum has served Bell County since 1991.

Methodist host Wild Game Dinner Feb. 24 at Tenroc Ranch

Salado United Methodist Church will hold their Annual Wild Game Dinner at Tenroc Ranch 4-7 p.m. Feb 24.

There is no charge to attend. There will be a wide variety of wild game to sample along with "not so wild" dishes, side dishes, desserts, and tea. Kids will have fun with bounce houses and face painting!

In addition, there will be a large silent auction and live auction with items to bid on including: a motorcycle, hunting trips, fishing trips, vacation getaways, gas grill, golf packages, gift certificates, and other valuable contributions generously provided by many local businesses and organizations.

Proceeds are directed to more than 20 SUMC Missions and Outreach designated programs, such as Hearts and Hands Min-



(Photo by Tim Fleischer)

You'll love the flavors of the annual Wild Game Dinner at Tenroc Ranch 4-7 p.m. February 24 Sponsored by Salado United Methodist Church, donations are accepted at the door.

istry Food and Clothing Pantry, Family Promise, Aware Central Texas, Salado Family Relief, Salado ISD Coats for Kids and

Backpack program, Body of Christ Clinic, and JAIL Ministry and more. Nationally supported missions include the Redbird mission in Kentucky, and UMCOR Sager Brown Disaster Relief projects. Salado UMC Missions and Outreach also supports international ministries through Belize Dental/Medical missions and Kenya AIDS Orphans and schools.

For more information visit www.saladoumc.org.

Gen. Manager of Brazos River Authority Collinsworth addresses SARW Feb. 28

David Collinsworth, the General Manager/CEO of Brazos River Authority, will present a program on water issues facing Central Texas Feb. 28, to the Salado Area Republican Women. The luncheon meeting starts at 11:30 a.m. at the Salado Civic Center

Collinsworth is the eighth general manager since its establishment by the Texas Legislature in 1929. As general manager, he oversees more than 275 employees in multiple locations throughout the Brazos River Basin, while managing the System's water supply, water treatment projects, and water quality initiatives under the direction of the 21-member board of directors.

He currently serves on the Texas State Universi-

ty's Advisory Council for the School of Science and Engineering and on the Texas Water Conservation Association Board of Directors. He has served on the Texas Utility Council of the American Water Works Association and the Inland Fisheries Advisory Committee of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

The luncheon is open to all. Reservations are needed. Checks for \$15 may be mailed to SARW, PAC; P.O. Box 373; Salado, TX 76571 to be received by Monday, Feb. 25. Reservations may also be made by contacting Barclay McCort at 947-3617 or barclaymccort@gmail.com no later than February 25. Individuals making reservations but not canceling will be billed.

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6 p.m. Kingdom Kids (K-6)
6 p.m. Bible Drill (4-6)
6 p.m. ESL
6:15 p.m. MIDWEEK MEAL (YOUTH)
6:45 p.m. High School MIDWEEK

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This would bring the taxable value of a \$200,000 home to \$110,000. At the original tax rate, that property would be taxed at \$54.12 per year.

- Tax freeze for over 65 and disabled. This freeze the total taxes for a homestead of a disabled person or person over 65 at the amount of taxes at the time the property owner applies for the freeze.

In 2008, about 300 homeowners had their Village of Salado property taxes frozen at that initial tax amount.

Village of Salado property taxes increased in 2011 to about \$0.12 per \$100, more than doubling the tax rate.

Taxes increased again in 2014, this time to \$ 0.18100 and to \$0.33950 in 2015, the first year of the sewer bond.

Property tax rate in 2016 was \$0.54190, \$0.1999 for M&O and \$0.342 for debt.

Property tax rate in 2017 was \$0.53620, \$0.2091 for M&O and \$0.3271 for Debt.

Tax rate for 2018 is \$0.62760, \$0.20910 for M&O and \$0.41850 for Debt because the Village sold the remaining \$2 million in bonds approved by voters in 2014.

The current \$0.6276 tax rate is in about the middle of the property tax rates collected by the 11 municipalities in Bell County, Bartlett being the lowest at \$0.47380 and Killeen being the highest at \$0.73480.

Salado ISD has an adopted tax rate of \$1.22380 per \$100 valuation, the second lowest in Bell County. Bartlett ISD is the lowest at \$1.15468. However, with the passage of the 2018 \$49.4 million bond, the tax rate will jump to the maximum allowed by law (without a TRE) of \$1.5400. At that

point, Salado ISD's will be the second highest school tax in Bell County, behind Belton ISD's \$1.60300 tax rate.

A property owner in the Village of Salado pays a total tax rate of \$2.3025 per \$100 valuation for Bell County, Bell County Road, Salado ISD, Village of Salado and Clearwater taxing entities.

A property owner outside of the Village or any other municipalities but inside Salado ISD pays a total tax rate of \$1.6749 per \$100 valuation for Bell County, Bell County Road, Salado ISD and Clearwater entities. The city of Belton does extend into Salado ISD. Those property owners pay at total tax rate of \$2.3347 per \$100 valuation.

Where do I vote and in what elections can I vote?

You vote where your residence is listed on your voter registration card. Each entity is identified on the card from the federal, state, county and local.

Can I run for office?

Simply put, you can run for office in the places where you can vote. Texas state law now requires that you be a registered voter in the political subdivision in which you want to file for election at the deadline for filing in that election. In most instances, you must be a resident of the political subdivision for six months prior to the election date.

Also, you must be a resident of the state of Texas for one year prior to the election date.

Residency

The Texas Election Code

defines residency as "in this code, 'residence' means domicile, that is, one's home and fixed place of habitation to which one intends to return after any temporary absence." 6

At least two documents are required to prove residence. A list of residency documents can be found at the Department of Public Safety website: <http://www.dps.texas.gov/driverlicense/residencyreqnoncdl.htm>.

All of this explanation is to say that for Saladoans telling folks where they're from, the declaration "I'm from Salado" is much like the social media declaration of Relationship Status for a Millennial:

It's complicated.

Sources:

1. Source: Census of Population and Housing, 1990: Public Law (P.L.) 94-171 Data on CD-Rom (Texas) found online at the Texas State Library and Archives Commission website.

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3 Bureau of the Census, American FactFinder 2010 Census Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171) Summary File, found online at the Texas State Library and Archives Commission website.

4. ETJ Map of Salado; <https://www.saladotx.gov/plans> click on ETJ Map.

5. Property tax rates and exemptions are all from Bell County Tax Appraisal District (bellcad.org).

6. Election Code: Sec. 1.015. RESIDENCE. Found at <https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/EL/htm/EL.1.htm>.



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Covering Salado students from Thomas Arnold to SHS

February 14, 2019



Tommie Barker signed a National Letter of Intent to play football for D1-AA Lamar University on Feb. 8. Shown above are (front row) mother Charity Barker, Tommie Barker, grandfather Wayne Garner; back row, brother Jacob Barker, father Larnce Barker, brother Dillon Barker. (PHOTO BY TIM FLEISCHER)



Kaia Philen puts in a layup for Salado during their loss to Fredericksburg. (PHOTO BY TIM FLEISCHER)

Barker will be Lamar U. Cardinal

Tommie Barker signed his National Letter of Intent to play football for D1-AA Lamar University at Salado High School on Feb. 8.

Tommie has been around football since the day he was born as his Dad was a High School Football Coach through his formative years. It is no surprise that Tommie wanted to get started as soon as possible. He wanted to be involved in as many sports that his mom could take him to... soccer, baseball, basketball, track & field, and football.

A three year letterman

on a talented high school defensive front, Tommie assisted leading Salado High School to the District Championship in 2017. Salado went 12-2 and was the Region 3-4A-DII Quarter-Finalist in 2017. He was awarded All-District Defensive End selection for both 2017 and 2018. He was also a Captain of the Football Team during the 2018 Season. Awards that he achieved this season included Academic First-team all-district honors and Academic All-State Team. Throughout his varsity ca-

reer, Tommie recorded 80 total tackles, including 7 tackles for losses; he was also credited with six sacks, a two forced fumbles, three blocked passes and one Blocked Field Goal.

"I would like to thank his coaches, teachers, and teammates through my years at Salado ISD," Barker said. "The success we have had here at Salado High school was because of the Coaches, they positioned each of us where they thought would lead to the success of the 'team' and with each man playing

their position and responsibilities, good things happened for us... The coaches molded all of us to be a student first, then athlete. They taught us that we had the honor of not only being a student but we were student-athletes. All of this allowed me to mature as an athlete and that allowed me to earn the opportunity to play Football at the next level."

Along with continuing his career at the next level, Tommie will be majoring in Mechanical Engineering.

Battlin' Billies beat Lady Eagles 55-47

BY TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Fredericksburg Battlin Billies tore off 10 unanswered points over a two minute stretch of the second quarter of their bi-district basketball playoff with the Salado Lady Eagles Feb. 12 at Burger Stadium in Austin and it was all they needed as the District 29-4A champions went on to win 55-47.

Salado sophomore Priscilla Torczynski hit a three-pointer to pull the Lady Eagles to within one point 13-12 at 3:45 in the second. The Battlin Billies then took advantage of two backcourt turnovers and a foul to go up 19-12 in less than a minute.

Fredericksburg converted a traveling call against Salado and another turnover to stretch their lead to 23-12 with 1:42 left in the half.

Torczynski hit both ends of a 1-and-1 and Jasey Goings hit a three pointer to close the gap to 23-17 before Fredericksburg's Brooke Batch hit a three pointer to give the Battlin Billies a 26-17 halftime lead.

The Billies were four-of-six at the free throw line in the third while Salado was one-for-four at the free throw line in the third.

Fredericksburg took a 40-28 lead into the fourth quarter.

The Lady Eagles hit all six of their free throws in the fourth quarter as they battled back against the stifling Fredericksburg defense. With 4:12 left to play, the Billies led by 17, 52-35 before the Lady Eagles finally went on a tear of their own in the final 2:36. Goings hit two free throws to close the gap to 54-39, but Brittley Bowers made one of her two free throws to make it 55-39 with less than two minutes to play.

Goings then hit a three pointer and Abby Rembert set up a three pointer by Amanda Cantu to narrow the lead to 55-45 with 1:02 left to play.

Salado missed a couple of shots in the final seconds before Goings made the final goal of the game off of a rebound for the final score of 55-47.

Goings led Salado with 10 points, followed by Cantu's nine points. Both girls scored seven points in Salado's fourth quarter rally.

Kaia Philen and Lorena Perez both had seven points for Salado. Lexie Lima scored six points, Priscilla Torczynski scored five and Katie Law scored three for Salado.

Mia Torres was troublesome for Salado, leading the Battlin Billies with 19 points, including three three-pointers in the first half.

Anabel Araisa followed with 12 points.

Also scoring for Fredericksburg were Audrey Spurgin, nine points, Geneva Rose, six points, Brooke Batch, four points, Brittley Bowers, three points and Liz Sebera, two points.

While Salado's season comes to an end, the Battlin Billies will play the La Grange Lady Leopards in the Area Round of the playoffs.

Lady Eagles 42
Burnet 54

Salado Lady Eagles were overwhelmed by Burnet in the fourth for a district loss Feb. 5.

The Lady Eagles fell behind 8-12 in the first quarter and scored 14 points in the second to take a 22-20 lead at the half.

Salado scored 15 points in the third quarter to hold a slim 37-36 lead going into the fourth. The Lady Eagles were outscored 3-18 in the fourth quarter to lose 42-54.

JV Girls White 37
Burnet 36

Salado JV Girls beat Burnet Feb. 5.

Salado tied Burnet 9-9 in the first and scored 11 points in the second to take a 20-13 lead at the half.

Salado scored 8 points coming out of the half to hold a 28-24 going into the fourth. Salado JV Girls scored 9 points in the fourth quarter to beat Burnet 37-36.

Charity Pryor led Salado in scoring with 13 points. Followed by Megan Manibusan, 10 points.

Also scoring for Salado were: Jorja Washington, 6 points, Janish Del Rio, 4 points, Julie Booker, 3 points, Rylee Corn, 2 points.

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Bell County Youth Fair results for Salado students

Following are results for Salado FFA and Salado 4-H members at the Bell County Youth Fair and Livestock Show for competitions that were held beginning Feb. 5. Competitions that were held prior to Feb. 5 were printed in last week's *Salado Village Voice*.

Family & Consumer Sciences

ART - 2 DIMENSIONAL

Drawing Pastel Jr.
Grace Tipping, 4-H, 3rd
Drawing Pastel Sr.
Kenzie Pardon, FFA, 4th
Tempera Paint Jr.
Katelyn McAninch, 4-H, 1st, Reserve Champion
Sophia Patton, 4-H, 3rd
Crayon Jr.
Kiley Lehmann, 4-H, 2nd
Eli Lehmann, 4-H, 3rd
Andrew Patton, 4-H, 4th
Crayon Sr.
Kendall Thompson, FFA, 2nd
B&W Charcoal Jr.
Hope Osborn, 4-H, 1st
B&W Charcoal Sr.
Kendall Thompson, FFA, 4th
Kaitlyn Combs, FFA, 6th
B&W Ink Sr.
Kaitlyn Combs, FFA, 3rd
Bebe Rainwater, FFA, 6th
Kenzie Pardon, FFA, 8th
B&W Pencil Sr.
Kendall Thompson, FFA, 7th
Kaitlyn Combs, FFA, 8th
Color Pencils Jr.
Grace Tipping, 4-H, 2nd

Kiley Lehmann, 4-H, 3rd
Janie Rainwater, FFA, 4th
Bella Smith, 4-H, 8th
Color Pencils Sr.
Bebe Rainwater, FFA, 6th
Mixed Media Jr.
Grace Tipping, 4-H, 2nd
Bella Smith, 4-H, 8th
Kiley Lehmann, 4-H, 9th
Mixed Media Sr.
Mia Patton, FFA, 10th
Watercolor Jr.
Kiley Lehmann, 4-H, 5th
Meri Fischer, 4-H, 8th
Katelyn McAninch, 4-H, 9th
Watercolor Sr.
Bebe Rainwater, FFA, 1st & Reserve Champion
Kaitlyn Combs, FFA, 8th
Mia Patton, FFA, 9th
Oil & Acrylic Jr.
Grace Tipping, 4-H, 3rd
Acrylic Jr.
Lydia Lesley, 4-H, 1st
Katelyn McAninch, 4-H, 8th
Sawyer Roach, 4-H, 10th
Acrylic Sr.
Kaitlyn Combs, FFA, 10th
ART 3 DIMENSIONAL
Hand-built & Wheel thrown Pottery Jr.
Jackson Bragg, 4-H, 1st & Champion
Kaylee Bragg, 4-H, 2nd & Reserve Champion
Polymer Clays Sr.
Anna Lesley, 4-H, 2nd
Misc. Sculpture Jr.
Kirbee Webb, 4-H, 3rd
CAKES
Plain Pound Cake Jr.
Kelli Darling, FFA, 9th
Plain Pound Cake Sr.
Emaly Vrooman, FFA, 5th

Pound Cake Other Sr.
Sarah Beth Lesley, 4-H, 6th
Rebecca Dockray, FFA, 7th
Chase Alexander, 4-H, 7th
Chocolate Layer Cake Jr.
Kiley Lehmann, 4-H, 1st
Chocolate Layer Cake Sr.
Sara Sodergren, FFA, 3rd
Emily Stuckly, FFA, 8th
Other Layer Cake Sr.
Rebecca Dockray, FFA, 6th
Fruit/Vegetable Layer Cake Jr.
Madison Evans, 4-H, 3rd
Ramsey Davidson, FFA, 5th
Fruit/Vegetable Layer Cake Sr.
Rebecca Dockray, FFA, 2nd & Reserve Champion
Foam & Chiffon Cake Jr.
Grace Tipping, 4-H, 4th
Halle Curb, 4-H, 5th
Cupcakes Jr.
Meri Fischer, 4-H, 1st
Jordan Dawson, FFA, 8th
Lillian Voelter, 4-H, 9th
Cupcakes Sr.
Arielle Perez-Nieves, FFA, 2nd & Reserve Champion
Jessica Knight, FFA, 9th
Sheet Cake Jr.
Katelyn LeBrecque, 4-H, 4th
Sheet Cake Sr.
Emaly Vrooman, FFA, 4th
Cakes Decorated with Decoration Tips Jr.
Madison Evans, 4-H, 1st and Champion
Olivia Walrath, 4-H, 4th
Janie Rainwater, FFA, 8th
Cakes Decorated with Decoration Tips Sr.
Emily Stuckly, FFA, 1st & Reserve Champion
Freehand Decorated Cake Jr.
Jordan Dawson, FFA, 4th
Halle Curb, 4-H, 9th
Freehand Decorated Cake Sr.
Emily Stuckly, FFA, 1st & Champion
Kiana Morris, FFA, 3rd

CANDY
Divinity Jr.
Kiley Lehmann, 4-H, 4th
Fudge Jr.
Heidi Teichelman, 4-H, 9th
Fudge Sr.
Kaitlyn Dockray, 4-H, 4th
Chase Alexander, 4-H, 7th
Brittles Jr.
Kellia Darling, FFA, 7th
Brittles Sr.
Kailonee Razo, FFA, 5th
Kaitlyn Dockray, 4-H, 10th
Toffee Sr.
Chase Alexander, 4-H, 2nd
Pralines Sr.
Rebecca Dockray, FFA, 6th
Candy -- Other Jr.
Conlee Cox, 4-H, 3rd
Candy -- Other Sr.
Chase Alexander, 4-H, 4th
Jared Yost, 4-H, 7th

CLOTHING
Coordinated Ensembles Jr.
Addison McAninch, 4-H, 3rd
Blouses/Shirts Jr.
Heidi Teichelman, 4-H, 1st
Skirts Jr.
Halle Curb, 4-H, 3rd
Aprons Jr.
Halle Curb, 4-H, 8th
Doll Clothes Jr.
Addison McAninch, 4-H, 5th
Recycled Garment Jr.
Sawyer Roach, 4-H, 6th
Jackets/Outerwear Jr.
Rebekah Sutton, 4-H, 1st, Champion & Grand Champion

COOKIES
Chocolate Chip/Chunk Drop Cookies Sr.
Bebe Rainwater, FFA, 9th
Other Drop Cookies Jr.
Halle Curb, 4-H, 5th
Hudson Evans, 4-H, 6th
Other Drop Cookies Sr.
Emily Stuckly, FFA, 1st, Champion
Ethan Reyes, FFA, 2nd
Anne Marie Gilmore, 4-H, 4th
Kory Walker, FFA, 6th
Chocolate Brownies Jr.
Katelyn LeBrecque, 4-H, 5th
Brennan Hefley, 4-H, 7th
Halle Curb, 4-H, 8th
Olivia Walrath, 4-H, 9th
Chocolate Brownies Sr.
Preston Culp, FFA, 2nd
Bebe Rainwater, 5th, FFA
Kaitlyn Combs, FFA, 7th
Brownies Other Jr.
Grace Tipping, 4-H, 6th
Other Bar Cookies Jr.
Grace Tipping, 4-H, 4th
Eli Lehmann, 4-H, 7th
Other Bar Cookies Sr.
Rebecca Dockray, FFA, 3rd
Emily Stuckly, FFA, 5th
Rolled/Cutout Cookies Jr.
Madison Evans, 4-H, 2nd
Shaped Cookies Jr.
Madison Evans, 4-H, 5th
Kirbee Webb, 4-H, 8th
Shaped Cookies Sr.
Kaitlyn Dockray, 4-H, 1st & Champion
Preslee Webb 4-H, 2nd
Anne Marie Gilmore, 4-H, 3rd
Marshall Hildebrand, FFA, 8th
Emily Stuckly, FFA, 10th
Sliced Refrigerator/Filled/Pressed Cookies Jr.
Grace Tipping, 4-H, 3rd
Pierson Evans, 4-H, 6th
Sliced Refrigerator/Filled/Pressed Cookies Sr.
Jessica Knight, FFA, 2nd & Reserve Champion
Emily Stuckly, FFA, 5th
Anne Marie Gilmore, 4-H, 6th
Evan Yost, 4-H, 8th

CREATIVE ARTS
Handmade Wreaths Jr.
Rebekah Sutton, 4-H, 3rd
Grace Tipping, 4-H, 6th
Holiday Wreaths Jr.
Olivia Walrath, 4-H, 2nd
Holiday Wreaths Sr.
Rebecca Dockray, FFA, 4th
Kaitlyn Dockray, 4-H, 5th
Decorated Baskets or Boxes Jr.
Halle Curb, 4-H, 3rd
Holiday Corner Jr.
Lydia Lesley, 4-H, 1st & Reserve Champion
Holiday Corner Sr.
Kaitlyn Dockray, 4-H, 2nd
Recycled Crafts Jr.
Jordan Dawson, FFA, 3rd
Rebekah Sutton, 4-H, 7th
Jewelry Jr.
Addison McAninch, 4-H, 7th
Scrapbooking Jr.
Lydia Lesley, 4-H, 1st & Reserve Champion
Halle Curb, 4-H, 2nd
Olivia Walrath, 4-H, 8th
Scrapbooking Sr.
Bebe Rainwater, FFA, 1st & Champion
Macrame/String Art
Jordan Dawson, FFA, 6th
Tied Fleece Pillow Jr.
Avery Sutton, 4-H, 8th

FOOD PRESERVATION
Dill or Sour Cucumber Pickles Jr.
Lillian Voelter, 4-H, 3rd
Halle Curb, 4-H, 7th
Dill or Sour Cucumber Pickles Sr.
Jessica Knight, FFA, 1st & Champion
Chase Alexander, 4-H, 7th
Other Cucumber Pickles Sr.
Chase Alexander, 4-H, 1st & Champion
Kaitlyn Dockray, FFA, 4th
Relishes Sr.
Chase Alexander, 4-H, 2nd & Reserve Champion
Canned Vegetables Sr.
Jessica Knight, FFA, 2nd
Chase Alexander, 4-H, 3rd
Canned Fruits & Berries Sr.
Chase Alexander, 4-H, 1st & Champion
Canned Tomatoes Sr.
Chase Alexander, 4-H, 2nd
Juices Sr.
Chase Alexander, 4-H, 2nd & Reserve Champion
Sauces Sr.
Chase Alexander, 4-H, 6th
Jellies Sr.
Chase Alexander, 4-H, 2nd
Anne Marie Gilmore, 4-H, 4th
Jams, Preserves, etc. Jr.
Heidi Teichelman, 4-H, 6th
Jams, Preserves, etc. Sr.
Chase Alexander, 4-H, 3rd

PHOTOGRAPHY
People Jr.
Lillian Voelter, 4-H, 2nd
Lydia Lesley, 4-H, 9th
Lauren Thompson, FFA, 10th
People Sr.
Kendall Thompson, FFA, 10th
Animal Domestic Jr.
Bella Smith, 4-H, 6th
Animal Domestic Sr.
Anna Reed, 4-H, 9th
Jared Yost, 4-H, 10th
Wildlife Jr.
Lydia Lesley, 4-H, 3rd
Wildlife Sr.
Mia Patton, FFA, 2nd
Marisol Tovar, 4-H, 4th
Kaylee Jiminez, FFA, 5th
Evan Yost, 4-H, 6th
Kendall Thompson, FFA, 7th
Jensen Puckett, 4-H, 10th
Food Photography Sr.
Evan Yost, 4-H, 8th
Details & Macro Sr.
Macie Pittman, FFA, 4th
Dominate Color Photo Jr.
Meckenzie, McAninch, 4-H, 2nd & Reserve Champion
Dominate Color Photo Sr.
Marisol Tovar, 4-H, 7th
Anna Reed, 4-H, 8th
Nature & Landscape Jr.
Jordan Dawson, FFA, 5th
Janie Rainwater, FFA, 7th
Nature & Landscape Sr.
Macie Pittman, FFA, 1st &

Champion
Kendall Thompson, FFA, 5th
Plant/Flora Jr.
Janie Rainwater, FFA, 2nd
Lydia Lesley, 4-H, 4th
Plant/Flora Sr.
Jensen Puckett, 4-H, 9th
Mia Patton, FFA, 10th
Motion/Action Jr.
Ellie Reed, 4-H, 1st & Reserve Champion
Elements of Design Sr.
Evan Yost, 4-H, 6th
Marisol Tovar, 4-H, 8th
Lydia Lesley, 4-H, 9th
Sports Photo Sr.
Mia Patton, FFA, 2nd & Reserve Champion
Mia Patton, FFA, 6th
Kaylee Jiminez, FFA, 10th
Catch-All Photo Jr.
Lydia Lesley, 4-H, 3rd
Catch-All Photo Sr.
Evan Yost, 4-H, 6th
Travel/Place Photo Jr.
Meckenzie McAninch, 4-H, 6th
Travel/Place Photo Sr.
Marisol Tovar, 4-H, 5th
Evan Yost, 4-H, 6th
Jensen Puckett, 4-H, 9th

PIES
Nut Pie Jr.
Lillian Voelter, 4-H, 2nd & Reserve Champion
Conlee Cox, 4-H, 9th
Nut Pie Sr.
Rebecca Dockray, FFA, 1st
Two Crust Pie Sr.
Anna Reed, 4-H, 4th
Kaylee Jiminez, FFA, 6th
Rachel Frisby, FFA, 8th

QUICK BREAD
Loaf Quick Bread with Fruit Sr.
Chase Alexander, 4-H, 5th
Kiley Lehmann, 4-H, 6th
Anne Marie Gilmore, 4-H, 10th
Loaf Quick Bread with Vegetable Jr.
Eli Lehmann, 4-H, 5th
Loaf Quick Bread with Vegetable Sr.
Chase Alexander, 4-H, 3rd
Kory Walker, FFA, 7th
Bebe Rainwater, FFA, 8th
Preston Culp, FFA, 9th
Evan Yost, 4-H, 10th
Loaf other Quick Bread Jr.
Hudson Evans, 4-H, 6th
Brennan Hefley, 4-H, 10th
Loaf Other Quick Bread Sr.
Kory Walker, FFA, 5th
Marshall Hildebrand, FFA, 7th
Quick Bread Muffins Jr.
Halle Curb, 4-H, 3rd
Quick Bread Muffins Sr.
Emily Stuckly, FFA, 2nd
Marshall Hildebrand, FFA, 8th
Coffee Cake no Yeast Sr
Emily Stuckly, FFA, 4th

TEXTILE CRAFTS
Counted Cross Stitch Jr.
Addison McAninch, 4-H, 3rd
Quilts Hand Finish Jr.
Sawyer Roach, 4-H, 1st & Champion
Decorative Pieced Pillow Jr.
Kelli Darling, FFA, 4th
Grace Tipping, 4-H, 6th
Toy or Doll Stitched Jr.
Sawyer Roach, 4-H, 4th

WOODWORKING, LEATHER & OTHER CRAFTS
Stamped & Tooled Leather Sr
Ainslee Morris, 4-H, 1st & Champion
Other Leathercrafts Sr.
Ainslee Morris, 4-H, 1st & Champion
Jared Yost, 4-H, 3rd
Models Jr.
Ethan McAninch, 4-H, 6th
Models Snap Jr.
Avery Sutton, 4-H, 7th
Woodwork Decorative Sr.
Jared Yost, 4-H, 1st & Reserve Champion
Kaitlyn Dockray, 4-H, 3rd
Woodwork Functional Jr.
Eli Lehmann, 4-H, 2nd



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Recycled Jr.

Eli Lehmann, 4-H, 1st, Champion & Reserve Champion
Functional Metalwork Jr.
 Gunnar Smith, 4-H, 3rd

YEAST BREAD

Loaf of White Yeast Jr.
 Eli Lehmann, 4-H, 4th
Loaf of Dark Yeast Jr.
 Kiley Lehmann, 4-H, 2nd
Loaf of Dark Yeast Sr.
 Chase Alexander, 4-H, 2nd & Reserve Champion
Yeast Rolls Jr.
 Halle Curb, 4-H, 5th
Sweet Yeast Breads Sr.
 Chase Alexander, 4-H, 3rd
 Kory Walker, FFA, 4th

Farm Shop

OUTDOOR RECREATION MET-AL

Outdoor Cooking Utensils Junior
 Dillon Combs, FFA, 1st, Champion, Grand Champion Junior Farm Shop
 Ramsey Davidson, FFA, 2nd, Reserve Champion
 Andrew Gilmore, 4-H, 3rd
Outdoor Cooking Utensils Senior
 Emaly Vrooman, FFA, 7th
 Tyler Elliott, FFS, 8th
 Zachary Corder, FFA, 9th
Lawn Furniture Senior
 Garrett Knight, FFA 1st
Wildlife Equipment Senior
 Cameron Bufkin, FFA, 1st

OUTDOOR RECREATION WOOD

Lawn Furniture Junior
 Brennan Hefley, 4-H, 3rd
Lawn Furniture Senior
 Harvey Davis, FFA, 2nd
INDOOR WOOD FURNITURE
Woodwork Furniture Junior
 Garrett Combs, FFA, 1st, Champion
Woodwork Furniture Senior
 Emily Stuckly, FFA, 1st, Champion, Grand Champion Wood
 Colton Dockray, FFA, 2nd, Reserve Champion, Reserve Grand Champion Wood
 Raylan Highfield, FFA, 7th
 Sam Gist, FFA, 8th
Woodwork Other Junior
 Brennan Hefley, 4-H, 2nd
Woodwork Other Senior
 Waylon Padleski, FFA, 2nd

WOODWORK FURNITURE

Woodwork Furniture Junior
 Garrett Combs, FFA, 1st, Champion
Woodwork Furniture Senior
 Emily Stuckly, FFA, 1st, Champion, Grand Champion Wood
 Colton Dockray, FFA, 2nd, Reserve Champion, Reserve Grand Champion Wood
 Raylan Highfield, FFA, 7th
 Sam Gist, FFA, 8th
Woodwork Other Junior
 Brennan Hefley, 4-H, 2nd
Woodwork Other Senior
 Waylon Padleski, FFA, 2nd

Goats

BREEDING GOATS

Kid - Light baby teeth
 Joanna Steigerwalt, FFA, 1st
 Avery Fossum, FFA, 6th & 7th
Kid - Heavy baby teeth
 Emily Steigerwalt, FFA, 8th
 Kendall Thompson, FFA, 9th
 Lauren Thompson, FFA, 10th
Aged more than 2 teeth
 Josie Stone, FFA, 1st & Breed Champion
 Joanna Steigerwalt, FFA, 2nd & Reserve Breed

Champion

MARKET GOATS

Div. 1 Light Wgt. Class 1
 Colton Dockray, FFA, 4th
Div 1 Light wgt. Class 2
 Lauren Thompson, FFA, 5th
Div. 1 Light Wgt. Class 3
 Kendall Thompson, FFA, 5th
Div. 2 Middle Wgt. Class 4
 Joanna Steigerwalt, FFA, 4th
Div 2 Middle Wgt. Class 5
 Emily Steigerwalt, FFA, 3rd
 Alexa Bolick-Tramp, FFA, 6th
Div. 2 Middle Wgt. Class 6
 Tommie Knox, FFA, 6th
Div. 2 Middle Wgt. Class 7
 Kendall Thompson, FFA, 9th
Div. 3 Heavy Wgt. Class 10
 Kendall Thompson, FFA, 7th
Div 3 Heavy Wgt. Class 8
 Tommie Knox, FFA, 3rd
 Lauren Thompson, FFA, 5th
Div. 3 Heavy Wgt. Class 9
 Lauren Thompson, FFA, 4th
 Tommie Knox, FFA, 6th

Rabbits

BREEDING RABBITS

California Sr. Buck
 Kaylee Jiminez, FFA, 10th
California Sr. Doe
 Blake Marshall, FFA, 1st
 California Int. Buck
 Cheyanna Davis, FFA, 2nd
Holland Lop Solid Sr. Buck
 Jordan Dawson, FFA, 1st & Champion; and 9th
Holland Lop Solid Sr. Doe
 Jordan Dawson, FFA, 1st & Champion; and 8th
Holland Lop Broken Color Sr. Buck
 Jordan Dawson, FFA, 3rd
 Kaylee Jiminez, FFA, 4th
 Mini Rex Sr Buck
 Avery Fossum, FFA, 2nd & 9th
Mini Rex Jr. Buck
 Kensley Free, FFA, 1st & Reserve Champion
 Avery Fossum, FFA, 2nd
Mini Rex Sr. Doe
 Avery Fossum, FFA, 1st
 Kensley Free, FFA, 6th
Mini Rex Jr. Doe
 Kensley Free, FFA, 5th
 Avery Fossum, FFA, 6th
Other Breeds 4 Class Sr Buck
 Kendra Flynn, Salado FFA, 3rd
 Janie Rainwater, FFA, 5th
Other Breeds 4 Class Jr Buck
 Joe Sampson, FFA, 2nd
Other Breeds 4 Class Sr. Doe
 Kendra Flynn, FFA, 4th
 Kaitlyn Dockray, 4-H, 10th
Other Breeds 4 Class Jr Doe
 Joe Sampson, FFA, 3rd
Netherland Dwarf Sr. Buck
 Bristol Cox, FFA, 7th
Netherland Dwarf, Sr. Doe

Bristol Cox, FFA, 6th & 7th

Poultry

COMMERCIAL BROILERS

Cockerels
 Annalee Bryant, 4-H, 1st, Champion, Reserve Grand Champion
 Hunter Pannell, FFA, 6th
Pullets
 Annalee Bryant, 4-H, 1st, Champion
 Hunter Pannell, FFA, 9th

Sheep

MARKET LAMBS

Heavy Weight Dorper
 Peyton Whitaker, 4-H, 8th
Heavy Weight Finewool
 Macy Morris, 4-H, 1st, Champion
 Maxton Dankert, 4-H, 2nd, Reserve Champion
Heavy Weight Finewool Cross
 Maxton Dankert, 4-H, 4th
 Kendell Edwards, FFA, 9th
Heavy Weight Medium Wool
 Peyton Whitaker, 4-H, 7th & 8th
Heavy Weight Southdown
 Kendell Edwards, FFA, 4th
 Jensen Puckett, 4-H, 8th & 10th
Light Heavy Weight Medium Wool
 Macy Morris, 4-H, 2nd, Reserve Champion, Reserve Grand Champion
Light Weight Finewool

Millye Edwards, FFA, 2nd
 Abigail Netzel, FFA, 9th
Light Weight Finewool Cross
 Maxton Dankert, 4-H, 1st, Champion
Light Weight Medium Wool
 Millye Edwards, FFA, 4th
Light Weight Southdown
 Carter Morris, 4-H, 1st, Reserve Champion
Middle Weight Medium Wool
 Carter Morris, 4-H, 4th
 Kendell Edwards, FFA, 6th



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Speech & debate teams busy in Jan.

The Salado High School Speech and Debate Team achieved several goals in January.

Christian Ortiz placed 6th at the UIL State Congressional Debate Meet. Additionally, Ortiz completed his domestic extemp qualification at the Stony Point TFA meet. Ortiz is now qualified for TFA State in congress and domestic extemp.

Connor Howard has triple qualified (congress, domestic extemp and foreign extemp). Howard is the first Salado student to qualify in three events for TFA State.

The Texas Forensic Association State Tournament will be held March 14-16 at Alief Taylor High School in Houston.

Salado competed at the following tournaments in January:

TFA STONY POINT/SALADO SWING JAN. 4-5

2nd Connor Howard Foreign Extemp
 8th Christian Ortiz Domestic Extemp
 Semi-Finalist Sam Willingham Domestic Extemp
 8th Sam Willingham Congress

UIL STATE CONGRESS JAN. 7-9

5th Christian Ortiz
 Finalist Connor Howard
 Grace Barker

UIL BURNET JAN. 15 Team Speech Champions LD Debate

2nd Grace Barker
 4th Christian Ortiz
 5th Sawyer Bagley
 Top Speaker: Grace Barker
Informative Extemp
 2nd Christian Ortiz
 3rd Sam Willingham
 5th Hunter Foster



Salado High UIL Congressional Debate State qualifiers Christian Ortiz, Grace Barker, Connor Howard.

Persuasive Extemp

5th Preslee Webb
UIL ROUND ROCK JAN. 25 Team Speech Champions LD Debate

2nd Christian Ortiz
 10th Sawyer Bagley
 12th Scott Tipton
Persuasive Extemp
 2nd Connor Howard

4th Hunter Foster Informative Extemp

4th Francesca Dalton
 The Salado High School Speech and Debate Team will compete next at: UIL Lampasas on Feb. 16 and UIL Westwood Feb. 23.

The team is coached by Tim Cook.

SHS Soccer scores

Salado boys and girls varsity soccer teams remain undefeated in district play after wins over Florence last week.

VARSIY EAGLES

The Eagles Varsity Boys soccer team defeated the Florence Buffaloes at home 4-1 on Feb. 5 to remain undefeated in District play.

The Eagles went down early 0-1 but finished the first half 1-1 with an unassisted goal from Freshman Alex Pierce.

The second half was all Salado, Alex Pierce put home the game winner on a loose ball inside the box. Followed by a beautiful 25 yard strike from Junior Javier Chavez assisted by Senior Captain Caleb Chambliss. Pierce would finish up the scoring by earning his Hat trick on a great solo effort at the top of the box.

VARSIY LADY EAGLES

Salado Lady Eagles varsity soccer team defeated Florence by a score of 10-0 on Feb. 5 to go 3-0 in district.

Goals were scored by

Madison Spradlin (3), Hannah Reavis (2), Sam Vargas, Holly Wright, Anna Lesley, Mackenzie Miller, and Aubrey Heffner. Avery Wright and Lauren Wilson earned the shutout in goal for the Lady Eagles.

Games on Feb. 8 were canceled.

JV LADY EAGLES SOCCER

The Salado Lady Eagles JV soccer team won their first district game by defeating the Florence Lady Buffaloes by a score of 8-0 on Feb. 5.

Sydney King scored a goal on a cross from Caellan Teer. Preslee Webb scored on a cross from Sydney King. Emma Grant scored on a cross from Kaitlyn Casper. Caley Aycock scored on a cross from Charley Thomas. Aunnika Deen scored on a cross from Kaitlyn Casper. Other goals scored were by Charlie Thomas, Lilly Lougheed, and Savvy Oyler. Other notable defensive players were Kaitlyn Pfingston and Hannah White.

Eagles in 2nd place in District

Salado Eagles are in second place in District and will make the playoffs after wins last week over Lampasas and Burnet.

Salado Eagles 49 Lampasas 31

Salado Eagles defeated Lampasas in a district game Feb. 8.

Salado led Lampasas 11-9 in the first quarter of the game and scored 9 points in the second to lead 20-12 at the half.

The Eagles outscored Lampasas 18-8 in the third to make the lead 38-20 going into the fourth. Salado matched Lampasas's 11 fourth quarter points to make the final 49-31.

Zack Shaver led the Eagles in scoring with 18 points. Followed by Shane Roche, 11 points.

Also scoring for Salado were Peyton Miller, 6 points, Reece Brown, 6 points, Eli Pittman, 2 points, Sammy Brown, 2 points,

Jeremy Jarvis, 2 points, Josh Goings, 2 points.

Salado Eagles 68 Burnet 61

Salado Eagles bested Burnet in a district bout Feb. 5. The Eagles were knotted with Burnet 18-18 in the first quarter and outscored the Bulldogs 19-13 in the second to hold a 37-31 lead at the half.

Salado Eagles matched Burnet 15-15 in scoring out the half to carry a 52-46 lead going into the fourth. Salado scored 16 points in the fourth quarter to secure the win 68-61.

Sammy Brown led the Eagles in scoring with 17 points. Followed in scoring by Roche, 13 points, Shaver, 13 points.

Also scoring for Salado were: Miller, 9 points, Jarvis, 9 points, Goings, 3 points, Cade Scallin, 3 points, Reece Brown, 2 points.

Jr. hi boys B basketball results

Jan. 31 games
 Salado 8th B 32 10 points, Pettigrew, 5 points.
 Llano 20 Salado 8th B 11
 Leading Scorers: Isaac South Belton 12
 Pettigrew, 9 points, Jade Leading Scorers: Rose, 8 points, Owen Crisp, 2 points.
 Salado 7th B 31 Salado 7th B 28
 Llano 29 Academy 12
 Leading Scorers: Alex Leading Scorers: Jacobus, 8 points, Jack Ingram, 6 points.
 Hauck, 8 points, Caden Jacobus, 6 points.

Jan. 26
 Salado 8th B 21 Leading Scorers: Jacobus, 5 points, Nathan Johnson, 5 points.
 Academy 19 Pettigrew, 11 points, Rose, 7 points.
 Salado 8th B 19 Salado 7th B 17
 Rogers 16 Leading Scorers: Hauck, 9 points, Ingram, 4 points.
 Leading Scorers: Rose,

Bell County Museum

History Makers continues

The Bell County Museum debuted its History Makers Afterschool Program in Jan. The program is offered on the third Wednesday of each month at this time. Children ages 8+ are welcome. Pre-registration through the museum's new website, www.bellcountymuseum.org, is required. Registration is limited to 15 students each month.

History Makers is designed to inspire outside-of-the-classroom learning about local and national history through the museum's exhibits and collection. Each month, students can work on a history related project, sometimes using STEM, that broadens their

understanding of history and the world around them. "Museum staff and trustees continuously explore ways to have a positive impact in our communities, and this is one extension of that process," said Executive Director Coleman Hampton. "The after-school program will compliment other educational activities, including: weekend events, free school tours, Homeschool Day, and Sensory Friendly Week. We are committed to providing accessible, inclusive programs for the people of Bell County," Hampton continued.

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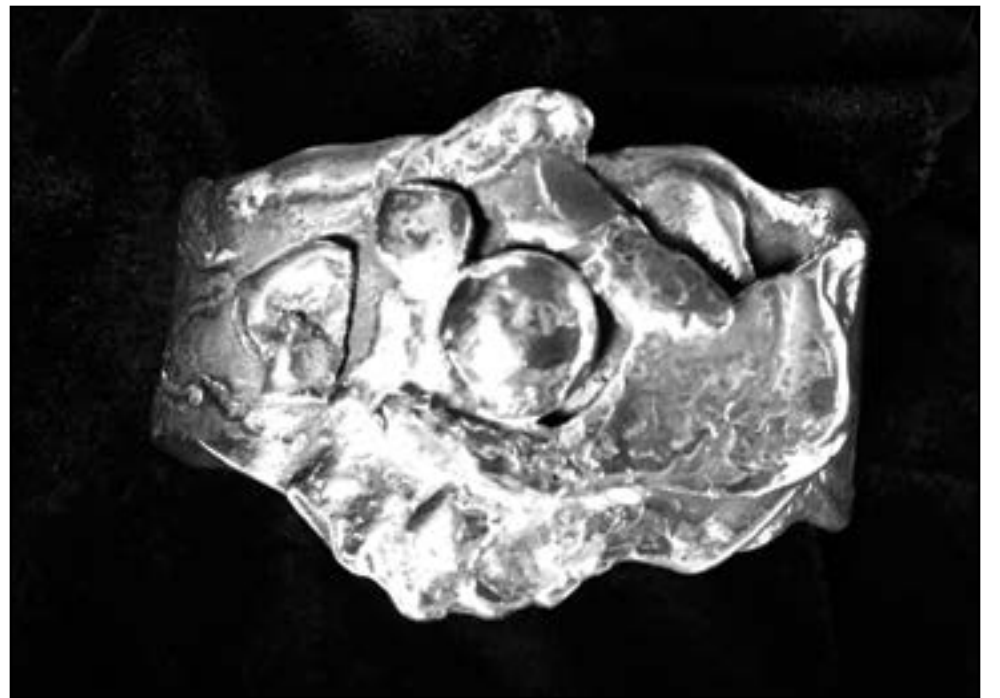
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Public Arts League of Salado (P.A.L.S.) will offer a live auction at their annual "Tastes of Salado" fund raiser 6-9 p.m. Feb. 26 at the Stagecoach Inn in Salado.

A number of Salado restaurants will offer tastes of their signature dishes. Confirmed restaurants and shops participating in the Taste of Salado are Ramble restaurant, Stagecoach Inn, The Barton House, Chupacabra Kitchen, Cowboys Barbecue, Lively Coffeehouse and Bistro, Lynette's Bakery, McCains on Main, Silvia's Cafe and Strawber-



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Auction items have been donated by the following: Art- Larry Prellow, Charles Allen- flower sculpture, B Herd - Art, Sirril Art Gallery, Troy Kelley - art, Jill and Johnny Shipman- art, Kay Griffith - art, Merle and Karen Stalcup - theater tickets, Mill Creek Golf Course - golf packages and swim passes, Rick and Shannon Ashe - condo time share, Richard Paul Thomas - Home Concert, Yellow House B and B - gift certificate, Jill Shipman and Debbie Harrison - Dinner for six, Cathy and Larry Sands - two dozen Home-

made cookies delivered for six months (once a month), Johnny's Steaks & Barbeque - dinner and concert, Lone Star eBikes - Historical Bike Tour, Brookshires Bros - Texas Gift Basket, Lynette's Bakery - baked goods, Linda Griffith - lemon pie and lemon tree family recipe, Tyler Fletcher - books, Salado Glass Works, Mud Pies - fudge and pottery, Angelic Herbs and 21 Main.

Tickets are \$30 per person, are available from P.A.L.S board members, Salado Visitors Center and centraltexasitickets.com.

Salado author at Belton Library luncheon

The 15th annual Friends of Belton Library Book and Author Luncheon will be held 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Feb. 23 at the Harris Community Center 401 N. Alexander St, Belton.

Authors this year are Charlene Carson, author of *Gristmills of Central Texas*, David Ciabrone, author of *Dangerous Threads* a Virginia Davies quilt mystery, and Bart Hopkins, author of *Texas Jack*.

The Book and Author Luncheon is the main fundraiser for the Friends of Belton Library, a registered non-profit organization. Funds raised allow the Friends to provide free books to area children at Turtle Fest, Christmas on the Chisholm Trail and summer library activities. The Friends also help provide special purchases of non-budgeted items to the library.

The Luncheon begins with a reception for the authors, book signing and sales at 11 a.m. A silent auction will be open from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.. The luncheon begins at 11:30 a.m. with the program following at 12:30 p.m. The authors will be available again after the program to sign and sell their books.

Tickets for the Luncheon are \$35 and include a new, one year, complimentary membership for non-members. Paid reservations are required and must be made by Tuesday, February 19. For reservations and information contact the Belton Library at 933-5830.

Charlene Carson will discuss her book *Gristmills of Central Texas*. Carson is an enthusiast of recording history through writing. Her first book was a family history book which focused



Charlene Carson is author of *Gristmills of Central Texas*.

on her grandparents' immigration to the United States from Germany and eventually becoming homesteaders in Oklahoma. After she and her husband moved to Salado in 2000, she wrote the history of the First Baptist Church Salado in anticipation of the church's 140th anniversary. She is a former archivist for the Salado Historical Society. In 2014, she co-authored a book on the history of Salado. Her newest book, *Gristmills of Central Texas*, was released in June 2017.

Dr. David Ciabrone, author of *Dangerous Threads*, is a retired scientist, professor, and U.S. Treasury Commissioner. In *Dangerous Threads*, sleuth Virginia Davies-Clark, must locate a quilt concealing a secret concerning national security and missing for over 70 years. Dr. Ciabrone is an award winning, best-selling author now living in Georgetown, Texas. He is a past president of the Austin chapter of Sisters-in-Crime and the San Gabriel's Writer's League

in Georgetown. He has published over 20 books including the Virginia Davies Quilt Mysteries. Among his other novels are the Jack Turner Coroner series. He also writes a newspaper column in Georgetown, Texas and writes for a Texas business journal.

Major Bart J. Hopkins USAF (Ret) is the former Chief of US Army Central (ARCENT) Weather Plans and Requirements, Shaw AFB, South Carolina.

He has a BS in Liberal Arts and an MA in Adult Education.

Bart writes when he can, in those spare moments between work, Scouts and soccer.

His Book, *Texas Jack*, his second novel, is a compelling story about family relationships, forgiveness and finding harmony with those you love.

Bart Hopkins is originally from Galveston, Texas and now lives with his wife and three children in Central Texas.

Village of Salado Calendar of Events

FEBRUARY 14
Blow Your Own Date Night Event at Salado Glassworks

FEBRUARY 14
Coloring, Crosswords and Coffee, 1 p.m. at Salado Public Library

FEBRUARY 14
Valentine's Day Diner at Alexander's Distillery. Reservations: (254) 947-3828

FEBRUARY 14
Pignetti's Italian Style Buffet, 6 p.m. at The Inn at Salado. Reservations: (254) 947-0027

FEBRUARY 14
Grace Jones Retrospective Fashion Show and Fundraiser, 8 p.m. at Tickets: \$60/person or \$100/couple available at Fletcher's Books, Barrow Brewing Co., Salado Winery, Sirril Art Gallery and the Salado Museum

FEBRUARY 16
Bikes & Brews, 7:30 a.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

FEBRUARY 16
Trudy's Closet 10 a.m. - noon at Grace Church

FEBRUARY 16
Classes with Karen at Stamp Salado 10:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY 16
Children's Story and

Craft Time: Whales, 11 a.m. at Salado Public Library

FEBRUARY 16
TeenScene: Make a Fleece Pillow, 3:30 p.m. at Salado Public Library

FEBRUARY 17
Open discussion Al-Anon Meeting, 6 p.m. Salado United Methodist Church Youth Activities Center

FEBRUARY 18
Bad Weather Day Salado ISD

FEBRUARY 18
Children's Story and Craft Time: Dragons, 11 a.m. at Salado Public Library

FEBRUARY 18
Salado Village Artists Knitters, 1 - 3 p.m. and Stitchers, 1:30 - 4 p.m. at Salado Village Artists Building

FEBRUARY 18
Salado United Methodist Women, 5:45 p.m. at Salado United Methodist Church Room 117

FEBRUARY 18
Salado Masonic Lodge Floor practice is 6:30 p.m. at the Lodge every Monday except Stated Meeting. Stated meeting is 7:30 p.m. Monday on or before Full Moon.

FEBRUARY 18
Salado Democrats 7 p.m. at Salado Public Library

FEBRUARY 18
Bikes & Brews, 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

FEBRUARY 19



April 5-7, 2019. The 42nd Annual Texas Packard meet will return home to historic Salado, Texas. Headquarters hotel will be the Holiday Inn Express. Make your reservation early. This year's meet will feature an ice cream social, early bird tour, Friday night mixer, Saturday morning parade to the swap meet and show site at the Salado Civic Center.

Men's Prayer Breakfast, 8 a.m. at the Presbyterian Church of Salado

FEBRUARY 19
Salado Village Artists: brush art crafting and needle work, 9 - 11 a.m. at Salado Village Artist building

FEBRUARY 19
Sit and Knit 10 a.m. - noon at Salado Public Library

FEBRUARY 19
Salado Rotary Club 11:30 a.m. at Johnny's Steaks and Barbecue

FEBRUARY 19
Salado Community Chorus practice 6 p.m. Salado Civic Center

FEBRUARY 19
Bell County Genealog-

ical Society Meeting 6:30 p.m. at Temple Public Library

FEBRUARY 20
Mah Jongg, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Salado Public Library

FEBRUARY 20
Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church of Salado

FEBRUARY 20
Informational Meeting on Becoming a Foster Parent, 10 a.m. at Lighthouse Family Network, 213 Mill Creek Drive suite 175

FEBRUARY 20
ESL Classes, 6 p.m. at the Creekside Cottage of Salado First Baptist Church

FEBRUARY 21
Salado Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting, 8:30 a.m. at Salado Museum Hall

FEBRUARY 21
Coloring, Crosswords and Coffee, 1 p.m. at Salado Public Library

FEBRUARY 21
Hands Only CPR and Stop the Bleed class, 5:30 p.m. at Salado Public Library

FEBRUARY 21
Village of Salado Board of Aldermen Workshop Session, 6 p.m. at Municipal Building

FEBRUARY 21
Priest's Pint, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

FEBRUARY 21
The Run4Beer Group, 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

FRI OR SAT, FEB 22 - MAR 16
Blow Your Own Beer Mug Event at Salado Glassworks

FEBRUARY 22
Wiggle Worms, 10:30 a.m. at Salado Public Library

FEBRUARY 22
The Royal Street Art

Walk (RAW) 6 - 9 p.m. along Royal Street

FEBRUARY 22
Supper Club Fundraiser Dinner, 6:30 p.m. at the Club adjacent to Sherrill Park - Mill Creek Country Club. tickets: (254) 947-5698

FEBRUARY 22
Fourth Gospel Singing 7 p.m. at First Cedar Valley Baptist Church

FEBRUARY 23
Bikes & Brews, 7:30 a.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

FEBRUARY 23
Heart and Hands Ministries food and clothing pantry 9 - 11 a.m. at Salado Plaza Shopping Center.

FEBRUARY 23
Classes with Diane at Stamp Salado 10:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY 23
Salado Writers Group: Speaker: Nancy Jill Thames, 10:30 a.m. at Salado Public Library

FEBRUARY 23
Children's Story and Craft Time: Dragons, 11 a.m. at Salado Public Library

FEBRUARY 23
Family Movie: How to Train Your Dragon, 2:30 p.m. at Salado Public Library

FEBRUARY 24
Open discussion Al-Anon Meeting 6 p.m. Salado United Methodist Church Youth Activities Center

FEBRUARY 25
Wild Game Dinner, 5 - 7:30 p.m. at the Chisholm Room of Tenroc Ranch

FEBRUARY 25
Children's Story and Craft Time: Salute to Seuss 11 a.m. at Salado Public Library

FEBRUARY 25
Salado Village Artists Knitters 1 - 3 p.m. and Stitchers 1:30 - 4 p.m. at Salado Village Artists Building

FEBRUARY 25
Salado Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting 4 p.m. at the library

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FEBRUARY 25
Bikes & Brews, 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

FEBRUARY 26 - MARCH 2
Semi-Annual Garage Sale at Stamp Salado

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FEBRUARY 26
Salado Community Chorus practice 6 p.m. Salado Civic Center

FEBRUARY 26
Texas Moon Domino Tournament, 6 - 9 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

FEBRUARY 26
Taste of Salado, 6 - 9 p.m. at Stagecoach Inn

FEBRUARY 27
Salado Lions Club 11:30 a.m. Salado Civic Center

FEBRUARY 27
Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church of Salado

FEBRUARY 27
ESL Classes, 6 p.m. at the Creekside Cottage of Salado First Baptist Church

FEBRUARY 28
Salado Area Republican Women luncheon, 11:30 a.m. at Salado Civic Center. Speaker: David Collingsworth, CEO of Brazos River Authority Topic: Water Issues in Central Texas \$15 Reservation: 947 3617

FEBRUARY 28
Coloring, Crosswords and Coffee, 1 p.m. at Salado Public Library

FEBRUARY 28
KidZone: Thing 1 and Thing 2 Bookmarks, 4 p.m. at Salado Public Library

FEBRUARY 28
The Run4Beer Group, 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

FEBRUARY 28
Trivia With Chad, 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

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Live Music in Salado




Barrow Brewing hosts songstress Haley Cole on Feb. 15, and Daniel Driver & Marshall Anderson duo perform Feb. 16. Daniel is a Texas singer/songwriter with a big Cajun and Zydeco influence. He will be joined by guitarist/songwriter/poet, Marshall Anderson. The Chalkboard Poets will perform 3 p.m. Feb. 17.

Central Texas Film Society will show Tootsie for free on Feb. 24

The Central Texas Film Society (CTFS) with the Cultural Activities Center (CAC) is showing a free film of Tootsie, Feb. 24, at the CAC's Frank W. Mayborn Auditorium.

The Central Texas Film Society hosts classic and best-loved films on Sundays at 2 p.m. To find out more information, join the Central Texas Film Society Facebook page, and share with friends.

New York actor Michael Dorsey (Dustin Hoffman) is a talented perfectionist who is so hard on himself and others that his agent (Sydney Pollack) can no longer

find work for him. After a soap opera audition goes poorly, Michael reinvents himself as actress Dorothy Michaels and wins the part. What was supposed to be a short-lived role turns into a long-term contract, but when Michael falls for his cast mate Julie (Jessica Lange), complications develop that could wreck everything. Tootsie was nominated for 10 Academy Awards, including Best Picture, but only Jessica Lange won for best-supporting actress.

The Central Texas Film Society at each show will host a pre-show welcome,

and give commentary and historical content about each film as well as interesting tidbits on the films after the shows. The film society will also sell popcorn and drinks prior to the film and invites everyone to save the dates for the monthly films.
 March 31 - The Quiet Man
 April 28 - The Apartment
 May 26 - The Artist
 June 30 - The Grapes of Wrath
 July 28 - ET
 August 25 - Lawrence of Arabia
 September 29 - Shawshank Redemption
 October 27 - The Haunting (1963)

November 24 - To Kill a Mockingbird

Dec. 29 - The Sound of Music

These are movies everyone should see at least once. This is a great opportunity for family and friends to see these movies on a big screen, ask questions, and participate in discussions.

Located at 3011 North Third Street in Temple, the CAC hosts several events such as monthly films, exhibit openings, stage performances, concerts and more events throughout the year. For information on upcoming events, visit cacARTS.org or call 254-773-9926.

Scholarship Brunch honors distinguished Baylor woman Dr. Susan Kincannon

The 25th Annual Baylor Women's Scholarship Brunch will be held 9 a.m.-noon on Feb. 23 at Wildflower Country Club.

Each year the Brunch includes a Silent Auction, which raises money for the Central Texas Endowed Scholarship assisting students attending Baylor from the Central Texas area. Christy's of Salado will present the Style Show.

Each year the honor of Distinguished Baylor Woman is given to a woman who has earned a degree from Baylor and who has made a significant contribution to the Central Texas area. The very first three women to receive this award in 1994 were Mary Long, Dr. Beatrice Huston (both of whom have passed on but have left behind great Baylor legacies) and Dr. Eva Marie Dyke, who will give a charge to the ladies at the brunch. All former Distinguished Baylor Women will be recognized.

This year's Distinguished Baylor Woman is Dr. Susan Kincannon, 29-year public educator and since 2011, Superintendent of Belton Independent School District. Her undergraduate degree was from the University of Mary-Hardin Baylor, with a Master's from Tarleton State. She earned the Doctorate in Curriculum and Instruction from Baylor University.

Since she became superintendent, the BISD has opened four new schools—South Belton Middle School, North Belton Middle School, High Point Elementary and Chisholm Trail Elementary. In addition, Belton New Tech High School @ Waskow and Belton Early Child were opened at former middle school buildings to accommodate district growth. In addition, a new multi-sport athletic complex was opened at Tiger Field. Currently under construction are Charter Oak Elementary and Lake Belton High School.

Dr. Kincannon grew up in Central Texas and grad-

Bell County Genealogy Soc. meets Feb. 19

Bell County Genealogical Society will meet 6:30 p.m. Feb. 19 in McLane Room (third floor) at Temple Public Library, 100 West Adams Avenue, in Temple.

The program will be an on-line presentation "Institutional Records" by Lisa Louise Cooke.

uated from Copperas Cove High School. She and her husband, Keith, have lived in the Temple-Belton area since 1988. They have one daughter, Kale, who is a freshman at Baylor University.

Co-presidents of the Central Texas Baylor Club are Carol and Billy Mills of Temple. Chairman of the Brunch is Cherie Flanagan of Salado. Tickets to the Brunch are \$35 with a portion going to the CTBC Endowed Scholarship. For more information or reservations call Pam Dial Taylor 254-760-8855. Deadline Feb.18.



Dr. Susan Kincannon is the Distinguished Baylor Woman who will be honored on Feb. 23.

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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
- 16 The Sugar Shack S/D
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- 20 Springhouse Emporium S
- 21 The Venue V
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- 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 \$
- 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
- 51 The Barton House 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 Stage Stop Center \$
- Bruce Bolick, CPA \$
- Salado Care Clinic \$
- 76 Salado Civic Center \$
- 81 Salado Wine Seller and Salado Winery Co. D
- 82 St. Joseph's Episcopal Church C
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- 86 Bill Bartlett – Century 21 \$
- 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 \$
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- Integrity Rehab \$
- Salado's Hair Shop \$
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- Don Ringer \$
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- 3C Cowboy Fellowship C
- Grace Baptist Church C
- Mill Creek Country Club V
- Sylvia's at the Club D



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

SALADO WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

January 24, 2019

The annual membership meeting of Salado Water Supply Corporation, held at the Salado Civic Center, was called to order at 6:30 pm by Board President, Fletcher Rhodes. He introduced the board members and staff and explained the procedures of the meeting.

The Board of Directors who were present:

Fletcher Rhodes, President
Lawson Grant, Vice-President
Bruce Bolick, Treasurer
Bill Heath
Bob Bradley
Sue Ellen Slagel
Becky Butscher
Mary Kite
Steven Ervin, Secretary, was Absent.

Also, present were Ricky Preston, Juana Preston, Shelli Poteet and John Winkler, Engineer.

Fletcher Rhodes, President, asked the members to review the minutes from the 2018 Annual Membership Meeting.

There were no corrections, additions or deletions.

The motion to accept the minutes as they were, was made by Lawson Grant, seconded by Sue Ellen Slagel and the motion was approved unanimously.

Bruce Bolick reviewed last year's finances. He stated that there has been no rate change/ or meter pricing change in the past year. Mr. Bolick declared that staff was doing an excellent job in controlling cost and even though we have had several improvements/betterments throughout the year, it was all self-funded through the water supply. He then explained the annual audit and that the figures of income, revenue, operating expenses and net income are all used to make an annual budget.

Mr. Bolick then presented and reviewed the 2018-2019 budget with the members explaining the changes from last year's budget.

Mr. Bolick then asked for a motion to approve the budget for 2018-2019. A motion was made by Bob Bradley, seconded by Lawson Grant and the motion was approved unanimously.

Fletcher Rhodes then introduced Ricky Preston, General Manager, for an update on the overall water system and John Winkler, Engineer, to discuss and report on the system status.

Ricky explained that he is the General Manager at Salado Water Supply Corporation and has been since 1989. Office staff includes Juana K Preston & Shelli Poteet. Field staff includes Senior technicians Luis Castillo & Bill Lutz and field technicians James Lutz, Joshua Dunn and Albert Castillo. He also introduced John Winkler with Walker & Partners, who has been our engineer for over the past 20 years, and that he is instrumental to Salado Water Supply in the planning & design of our current system and future development.

Ricky explained to the members that Salado Water Supply Corporation has approximately 40 square miles of CCN with over 120 miles of pipeline and that our service area is North to Amity Road, East to Blackberry Road, South to the TXDOT rest area and West to Stillhouse Bridge. Salado Water Supply Corporation continues to be a Superior rated water supply by TCEQ and is supplied by two water sources, ground and surface water.

Ricky explained that Salado Water Supply's ground water consist of eight wells that are capable of producing over 2500 gallons per minute. They range from 130' to 220' deep and draw from the Northern Edwards Aquifer. He explained the aquifer is a very prolific source of water and that it recharges very quickly with local rainfall and that Salado Creek is the excess overflow from the aquifer.

Ricky explained the second water source available to Salado Water Supply is surface water from Kempner Treatment Plant on Stillhouse Lake and is capable of producing 1200 gallons per minute. Salado Water Supply Corporation also owns 10% of Kempner Surface Water Treatment Plant and that we had just recently bought an additional 1 million gallons per day bringing up the current pump capacity to 1.5 million gallons per day or 550 million gallons per year.

We currently have 2593 customers. Of those customers, 2160 or 80% are on well water and 433 or 20% are on surface water, which is any customer West of Brewer Road. In the next few months, we will be switching additional customers from Brewer Road to FM 1670 over to surface water to utilize surface capacity and relieve the burden on our ground water. This will add 620 customers to surface water bringing the total number of customers on surface water to 1050 or 41 % of our customer base.

Our total water availability is 502 million gallons of ground water and 547 million gallons of surface water totaling 1,049 million gallons of water per year.

Last year, Salado Water Supply pumped 453 million gallons of ground water and 70 million gallons of surface water to customers totaling 523 million gallons, which is an increase of 16 million gallons over 2017. The daily demand in off season, which is November to April, was on average 870,000 gallons per day. During peak season which is May to October, the daily demand rose to 1.7 million gallons per day. Our peak day in 2018 occurred on July 27, pumping to customers 2.7 million gallons of water.

Ricky explained that this past year the corporation has completed 3350 work orders which is an increase of 600 work orders over 2017.

Ricky explained that about 1.2 million dollars was spent this past year on Salado Water Supply's system infrastructure improvements. Those costs included the purchase of an additional 1 million gallons of surface water capacity for \$850,000.00, the total reconstruction of the pipe infrastructure at the 2484 Pump Station to allow use of surface water or ground water at a cost of \$60,000.00, and added 1.5 miles of 8" pipe to increase customer base at a cost of \$180,000.00.

Ricky thanked everyone for coming and also thanked John Winkler with Walker Partners for attending the meeting as well. He then asked the members if anyone had any questions that either he or John Winkler could answer.

A member of the audience, spoke and asked what the difference in the quality of water between surface and ground was.

Ricky Preston replied that the quality of water in both sources were equal. He explained that the difference between the two were the way they are disinfected.

Member, Mike McIntyre, asked what the difference in hardness between ground and surface water was.

John Winkler responded by saying that they about the same and explained the difference of the level of hardness depends on how the source is filtered and treated.

Member, Tom Moore, stated that he was concerned about how all the new construction of treatment plants from the surrounding area on Stillhouse Lake Hollow might affect our water supply and asked if we could potentially run out of water if we were to incur a severe drought. Ricky Preston explained that all the water treatment plants have a maximum allowed pump capacity and that the Brazos River Authority has control of those pump capacities. John Winkler added that Brazos River Authority is currently seeking a new pipe design to draw water from Belton Lake to help alleviate future pump capacity issues should severe drought occur.

Tom Moore then asked in regards to water supply, if the expected growth would be south or west of Salado.

Ricky Preston stated that the area growth is expected to expand west and that currently to the south, The Sanctuary is a potential growth but no new developments have been made on those plans. Ricky added that new growth in the center of Salado will be due to the new Salado Middle School and that John Winkler is working with them to bore a 12" line under I-35 to generate fire flow for the new school.

Member, Susan Bradshaw, asked in regards to matters discussed at the 2018 annual meeting, what the current status was on the plan to build the water tower on Brewer Road, and about the formerly mentioned pipe extension plan (connecting infrastructure from the east side of Salado to the west side of Salado making a full loop around the system) and if that was plan was still in motion.

Ricky Preston replied that at the current time, Salado Water Supply has aborted both plans. Reasons being that with the addition of the surface pump capacity, we do not have to build another tower to serve customers, but will always have that option still available in the future, if needed. And in regards to the pipe extension plan, due to Salado Water Supply being unable to obtain easements in the right of way from TXDOT, we were unable to go forward with those plans.

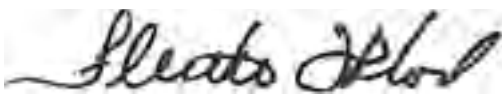
Member, Bob Tyson, asked in reference to the current budget, why the projected water sales from last year to this year have a difference of \$200,000.00.

Bruce Bolick, Treasurer, explained that weather is always a determining factor in the sale of water and that we have to be conservative in considering that factor.

Member, Jeff Lander, asked if Salado Water Supply will ever extend its services to include billing on the new sewer system.

Ricky Preston explained that Salado Water Supply Corporation is in no way associated with the Village of Salado, which is who is in charge of the sewer system, and that no plans are expected to combine the two separate entities.

With no other questions being asked, Fletcher Rhodes explained to members State voting procedures and announced the incumbent board members for the next three years are Steven Ervin, Bruce Bolick and Bob Bradley. He told the members he appreciated their attendance and asked the Board of Directors for a motion to adjourn the 2019 Annual Membership Meeting. A motion was made by Bruce Bolick and was seconded by Lawson Grant and the meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM.



Fletcher Rhodes, President



This Green Jay shows the wide range of colorations that can be found.



Green Jays can be observed in the lower branches in thick riparian undergrowth along the Texas Mexico border.

Green Jays can be found as far north as San Antonio

When I first began writing these columns several years ago, I had intentioned on focusing on the wildlife that was found in primarily west-central Texas. I quickly realized that I would be remiss if I didn't pen columns that featured animals whose natural range barely enters this great state. One of the most amazing examples of this is an extremely colorful and energetic avian species that, while a common sight south of the



Wild About Texas

Michael Price

Texas border, just enters this state in the deep south Texas riparian habitat, and that species is the startling Green Jay.

The Green Jay (*Cyanocorax yncas*) is one of six species of jays that call Texas home, and it is one of only two species in its genus (the

Brown Jay, another south Texas denizen, is the other). The Green Jay ranges from the coastal lands of central Peru northward through the eastern coast of Mexico. In the state of Texas, it can be observed south of an imaginary line drawn from roughly Del Rio to Victoria.

It appears to be spottily distributed throughout this region with most observations occurring in the plethora of state and natural areas along the US-Mexico border.

Green Jays are medium to large sized birds, with adults attaining a body length of just less than eleven inches. The wingspan is just a little larger, reaching nearly fifteen inches across. While not entirely green as the common name would imply, this bird is primarily

colored varying hues of green. The upperparts are dark green while the underparts are a much lighter greenish coloration. The long tail is bluish green and has outer tail feathers that are marked with yellow. The face, sans the cheek, the chest and the throat are all colored black which is in a stark contrast to the indigo blue coloration on the crown, nape, and cheek. The is a bright white band in between the large black

eyes. The thick bill, skinny legs and feet are all dark as well.

Green Jays can be observed in the lower branches in thick riparian undergrowth. It is in this dense underbrush where the bright coloration it is adorned with will benefit it as it is difficult to see in the dappled sun and shady areas. It will occasionally move out into the open fields to forage where it is obviously much easier to see. Studies have revealed that this species is omnivorous and feeds on invertebrate and vertebrate prey alike. Insects, spiders and small lizards have all been recorded prey items as has eggs and young of other birds. Fruits and berries are also favored, as is seeds from various bushes and trees.

The Green Jay tends to live in small flocks of four to eight individuals. These flocks are quite wary although they can be very inquisitive at times. Like other Jays, this species can be rather boisterous. When one Green Jay is sounding off it is loud enough; when multiple individuals or the entire flock start calling, it can be almost deafening. Many birds will utilize the Green Jay as a "lookout" to warn them of impending dangers.

As with all other species of Jays that occur in Texas, this variety is monogamous, and breeding occurs once annually. However, it has been noted that only one pair in each flock will breed and the other members will wait their turn until subsequent years. It is a solitary nester, and the nest is constructed with leaves, twigs, and paper litter and are constructed by both sexes. Rarely, other members of the flock will assist in the nest building. The height of the nest varies; some "couples" will construct their nest up to three stories above the ground, although most prefer much shorter areas. The female will incubate the lightly colored one-inch long eggs. The incubation time is usually just under three weeks and upon hatching, the helpless young are brooded and fed by both sexes for approximately another three weeks. Typically, by that time, the young have obtained their ability to fly and developed their ability to gather food on their own.

Just a few decades ago, Green Jays could only be observed in the thick riparian habitats of the south Texas valley, so much so that it was at one time known as the Rio Grande Jay. Over the past couple of decades, it has expanded its range northward with individual flocks now appearing with regularity in the San Antonio area. Use corn, sunflower seeds and suet to attract this brilliantly colored bird to your backyard bird feeders.

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Texas Senate begins hearings on property tax, state education finance

By RICHARD LEE
TEXAS SENATE NEWS SERVICE

(Austin) The State Senate began hearings last week on one of the emergency issues named in Governor Greg Abbott's biennial State of the State address.

Abbott gave property tax reform the emergency tag in the Tuesday speech, permitting immediate legislative action on related measures. Abbott said in his speech that the Texas economy was the envy of the rest of the nation and praised lawmakers for their work in achieving that status. "When you combine our legislative accomplishments with our record-breaking prosperity, you have elevated Texas to rarified status," he said at the joint session. "I am proud to tell you that the state of Texas has never been better."

In addition to property tax reform, Abbott picked five more topics as emergency issues. These are: education finance reform, school safety, teacher pay increases, disaster recovery and mental health services. The constitution prohibits the consideration of bills and resolutions in the first 60 days of the session, unless that issue receives the emergency designation.

The Senate Property Tax Committee took up the ma-

ior property tax bill for the session, SB 2, on Wednesday, just one day after the governor's speech. Bill author and Committee Chair Senator Paul Bettencourt of Houston said that he is committed to passing a bill this session. "We're going to solve this problem," he said. "We're going to be here until we do." SB 2, and its identical companion in the House, HB 2, would change what is called the rollback rate.

Currently, when a city, county, or other taxing entity raises rates, and increases taxes above a certain amount, voters can petition for a tax retention election, commonly known as a rollback election. Right now that rate is eight percent, but the proposed bill would lower it to 2.5 percent for all entities that collect more than \$15 million in combined sales and property tax revenue. It would also automatically trigger the rollback election, rather than require voters petition for one, and the election would occur on the uniform election date in November. The bill would also improve taxpayer access to information about taxing entities and proposed rate changes. It would create a real-time database, searchable by property, that would contain notice of upcoming

hearings, past rate changes, breakdown levies by taxing authority, among many other key statistics relating to property tax policy. Bettencourt said that current public information standards are too opaque. "Right now the truth-in-taxation notices, even for people in the industry, are almost gobble-dy-gook," he said.

Also last week, Houston Senator John Whitmire joined Supreme Court of Texas Chief Justice Nathan Hecht and Kerrville Representative Andrew Murr at a Monday press conference to announce the filing of legislation to reform the cash bail system in Texas. They said that the current system discriminates against poor people, who can spend months in a county jail cell waiting for their trial because they can't afford bail, while violent criminals who can make bail get back on

the streets. "The bail bond system that exists in Texas is unfair, unconstitutional and it has all types of terrible outcomes," said Whitmire. He added that seventy-five percent of the county jail population in Texas are defendants awaiting trial, compared to just thirty-three percent 25 years ago.

The legislation, SB 628 in the Senate and HB 1323 in the House, would require judges to use a risk assessment tool that relies on demographic data and empirical evidence to determine what risk, if any, a defendant released on bail would pose to public safety or alleged victims, as well as flight risk. It would also require the judge to set bail at the minimum amount they believe will ensure the defendant's court appearance.



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On February 18, 2019, Salado Water Supply Corporation will be changing the disinfectant that we use from chlorine to chloramines starting at Salado High School going West to Brewer Lane.

This change is intended to benefit our customers by reducing the levels of disinfection byproducts (DBPs) in the system, while still providing protection from waterborne disease.

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