



## BoA to revisit subdivision, other sewer considerations

Salado aldermen at their 6:30 p.m. March 7 meeting will revisit a proposed Concept Plan and variance request for a 54-acre, three-phase residential subdivision to be located at the northeast corner of the intersection of Royal Street and Smith Branch Rd.

The board failed to take any action on the Concept Plan and variance request at their Feb. 21 meeting.

The developer is asking for a variance from the Subdivision Ordinance that requires lot sizes of a half acre for residential subdivisions.

Because the developer will voluntarily annex into the Village of Salado and will voluntarily tie on to the Salado sewer system, the variance request to allow lot sizes as small as 9,205 sq. ft. in the three-phase subdivision that will ultimately have 171 residential lots when built out.

The Concept Plan calls for sidewalks on all lots facing roads, according to Ferguson. In lieu of dedication of park land, a requirement of local ordinances, the developer will pay the Village \$34,000.

The property owner will also dedicate Smith Branch Rd. to the Village of Salado.

Currently Smith Branch Rd. is a private road that has been maintained by Bell County.

The Zoning Ordinance has requirements on the size of houses in relation to the lot. For a Single Family Residential 7 zoned property, the house and accessory buildings may cover a maximum of 35 percent of the lot.

In other business on the March 7 agenda, aldermen will discuss appointing a task force committee to make recommendations for lot size requirements for future subdivision developments within the corporate limits of the Village.

The board will also discuss scheduling a special meeting to set the monthly rates for sewer service. The sewer is expected to make service available to 130 properties on April 2. No rates have been adopted although property owners have been informed that they have 90 days from notice of service availability to tie in to the sewer system and begin paying those rates.

The board will also consider the proposed professional services agreement with Jacobs/CH2MHill for the management and operation of the Village of Salado

Wastewater System that will cost an estimated \$161,000 per year.

The proposal has been on the agenda for the Feb. 7, Feb. 21 and Feb. 28 meeting agenda. Aldermen on Feb. 7 selected Jacobs/CH2MHill as the most qualified and authorized staff to negotiate a three-year agreement.

Under the agreement, the firm will be responsible for the daily management, operation and maintenance of the new wastewater system.

In addition to ensuring the wastewater treatment plant operates in compliance with the Village's Discharge Permit and TCEQ regulations, the firm will be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the wastewater collection system, including the response to and repair of any leaks and/or line breaks in the collection system.

The Village will be billed separately for any treatment plant, lift station and collection system repair work performed and authorized by the Village.

The cost of the contract will be paid by revenues from monthly sewer customers.

Aldermen will also discuss the annexation petition from Salado ISD.



## Amity Bridge closed

The bridge of Salado Creek for East Amity is closed until the fall as the low water bridge will be replaced. The project, designed to increase safety, will replace the existing structure with a wider, longer, concrete bridge that meets current roadway safety and design specifications. The approaches to the structure will also be upgraded and replaced. Knife River Corporation-South, of Bryan, is undertaking this bridge replacement project at a cost of \$1.2 million. The bridge and roadway closure, to through traffic, went into effect Feb. 25 and remains until construction is completed. The project is scheduled for completion in the late Fall of 2019. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

## Candidate Forum set April 16

Salado Chamber of Commerce will host the 2019 Candidates for Salado Board of Aldermen and Salado ISD Board of Trustees at a question and answer forum 6:30 p.m. April 16 at the Salado Civic Center.

Alderman candidates include Rodney Bell, John Cole, Amber Dankert and Linda Reynolds. School Board candidates include Amy McLane, Jeff Kelley

and Brand Webb. Moderator- Jim Ruesch, will introduce the candidates at the beginning of the session.

Each candidate will have four minutes for opening remarks which may include biographic information, platform information or any other pertinent information they wish to impart.

Questions will be collected from the audience for each group, fielded and given

to the moderator for the candidates to answer. Each candidate will be given two minutes to answer. Candidates will rotate during the process.

At the end of the question/answer period, in reverse order to the introductions by Jim Ruesch, each candidate will be given two minutes for closing remarks.

The local election will be May 4.

## Rep. Buckley discusses property tax reform

By TIM FLEISCHER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Property tax reform is at the top of the list of priorities for the Governor and lawmakers this session as legislators tackle the issue with the propose HB 2.

State Rep. Brad Buckley, who represents part of Bell County that includes Salado and parts of Killeen and all of Lampasas County, met with constituents for just over an hour during a Town Hall session at the Salado Civic Center on Feb. 28. He has another planned for Harker Heights on March 7.

He told the audience of about 100 citizens that HB 2 addresses four areas of concern for property taxes: transparency, appraisal review board, rollback rates and voting engagement.

The bill addresses transparency in that the goal of HB 2 is to make sure that "when you get read a proposed tax rate from a governing body, you can see the direction they are headed and the tax rate is easier to comprehend."

HB 2 also addresses reforming the appraisal review board. "The hearings should be more taxpayer friendly and the notices should be easier to read and to understand. It should be easier to appear before the appraisal board and argue your case if your appraisal is out of line with the market value," Rep. Buckley said. Changes in the law will make sure that Tax Appraisal Districts are more "customer oriented."

The bill also addresses what Rep. Buckley called confusing definitions in the property tax notices. What is currently called the "effective tax rate" will be defined as the "no new revenue tax rate." Further, the current rollback rate for cities and

Local Government Impact of House Bill 2			
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THE BILL'S PROVISION THAT REDUCES THE REVENUE GROWTH INCREMENT USED FOR DETERMINATION OF THE ROLLBACK TAX RATE FROM 8.0 PERCENT TO 2.5 PERCENT FOR TAXING UNITS OTHER THAN SMALL TAXING UNITS WOULD RESULT IN REDUCED TAX REVENUES FOR LOCAL TAXING UNITS.			
THE BILL'S PRESCRIBED METHOD FOR CALCULATING THE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE (A KEY COMPONENT IN THE ROLLBACK TAX RATE) REQUIRES CORRESPONDING AMENDMENTS TO THE EDUCATION CODE WHICH ARE NOT IDENTIFIED IN THE BILL. CONSEQUENTLY, THE COST TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS CANNOT BE ESTIMATED.			
THE COMPTROLLER APPLIED TAX RATE AND LEVY INFORMATION FROM APPRAISAL DISTRICTS TO ESTIMATE REDUCED TAX REVENUES FOR CITIES, COUNTIES, AND SPECIAL TAXING UNITS IN THE TABLE BELOW. THE ESTIMATES ASSUME THAT NO TAX RATES ABOVE THE REDUCED ROLLBACK TAX RATES WOULD BE PROPOSED OR APPROVED BY VOTERS, REDUCTIONS IN REVENUE WERE ESTIMATED BY COMPARING FORECAST PROPERTY TAX REVENUES EXTRAPOLATED IN LINE WITH THE OUTLOOK FOR GROWTH IN APPRAISED VALUES TO FORECAST REVENUES AS CONSTRAINED BY THE REDUCED ROLLBACK RATES PROVIDED BY THE BILL.			
Fiscal Year	Possible Revenue Gain/(Loss) from Counties	Possible Revenue Gain/(Loss) from Cities	Possible Revenue Gain/(Loss) from Spec. Dists.
2020	\$0	\$0	\$0
2021	-\$342,213,000	-\$394,030,000	-\$160,947,000
2022	-\$580,058,000	-\$633,491,000	-\$280,896,000
2023	-\$812,023,000	-\$867,169,000	-\$397,849,000
2024	-\$1,142,426,000	-\$1,199,740,000	-\$564,496,000
SOURCE AGENCIES: 304 COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS, 701 TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY			
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counties is 8 percent above the effective tax rate. Even at that, a rollback election is not brought about unless a petition comes forward with the required signatures calling for the rollback election.

HB 2 proposed to lower the rollback rate to 2.5 percent above the effective tax rate. Proposed tax rates that are higher than that will kick in an automatic election without any petition requirements. The 2.5 percent limitation will not apply to governing bodies that have total income from property tax and sales tax of less than \$15 million per year.

"The Senate version will allow cities to opt out of this with an election," Rep. Buckley said,

Rep. Buckley added that "HB 2 will not save you a dime in property taxes. It may prevent a future increase in property taxes."

HB 2 will also allow "local voters to consider adding on to the sales tax rate in order to buy down the property tax rate," Rep. Buckley said.

Legislators are also tackling school finance reform. "The state funding formula

is extremely complex," Rep. Buckley said. "There are layer after layer to it and it creates winners and losers. A priority of mine is to have an extremely strong public education system. Having a highly skilled work force is to our advantage as a state."

Business may come to a state like Texas because of its low taxes and low regulations, but "business and industry will not grow without a skilled work force," Rep. Buckley said

School finance reform will be a top issue for the legislature, including a teacher pay raise. He said that part of addressing school finance is looking at future economic conditions. "If we make decisions now based on having a growing economy," he said, "we must be careful not to hang something around the necks of a local districts when the economy is down and they are now on the hook because state funding is down."

Rep. Buckley then moved on to discussion of what he calls the "Salado bill." He said that he is taking the lessons learned from the

prolonged and delayed construction of the interstate in Salado. The "Salado bill," he explained, will take the fines and payments from the contractors when the contractors miss their deadlines and "put that money in the TX-DoT District where it happened and then allow those community that are impacted a chance to compete for those dollars to try to make the community whole again." Currently those fines and payments go into the state pot.

"You want to make it hard to do things to the people like what happened here in Salado," he added.

He also discussed what he called the Harker Heights bill. "This addresses the impact of the 100% disabled tax exemption on local communities," he said. "There are a lot of communities that are living under a revenue cap because of these exemptions and this will help them to get on a level playing field."

Rep. Buckley said he is also in favor of bills that will make it easier for the spouses and partners of military



(PHOTO BY MARILYN FLEISCHER)  
State Rep. Brad Buckley

members to get professional licenses when they move from state to state. "We should honor the service of those who move around the country in the military by making it easier for their family to get the licenses they need to get to work in the local economy," he said.

The Texas legislature is also grappling with groundwater issues. "We need to try to do some things to get the state folks to look at groundwater so that we have those resources in the future," he said.

Improving rural broadband internet is also important to help address the decline in population and work force in rural areas because "the infrastructure is not there for business technology."

Rep. Buckley took questions from the audience of 100 ranging from groundwater issues to the New Green Deal, climate change, public education, standardized testing, health care and teacher retirement among others.

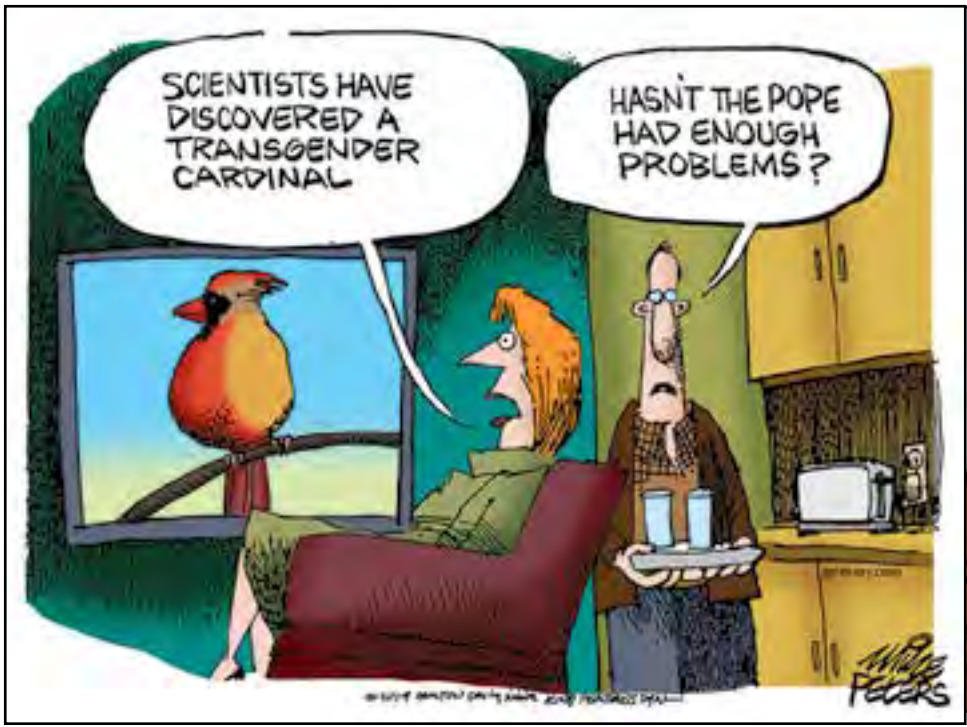
Rep. Buckley serves on the Appropriations Committee, the Agriculture and

Livestock Committee and the House Local and Consent Calendars Committee.

The House Appropriations committee deals mainly with the budget, appropriating the State Treasury funds to the various agencies and programs around Texas. As a large committee ordered with one of the State's most important tasks, the Appropriations committee will make considerable decisions on the issues of property tax and school finance reform.

The House Agriculture and Livestock committee handles matters pertaining to agriculture, horticulture, farm husbandry, livestock animal raising, the preservation of forests, and issues particularly affecting rural areas of the State.

The House Local and Consent Calendars committee places bills on the House floor calendar that have been deemed local in nature, as in they pertain to local communities specifically and will not affect the State as a whole.



## Much of recent GDP growth is due to inventory buildup

The S&P 500 Stock Index (SPX) eked out another small rise for the week ending March 1. It rose a whopping 0.39 percent to close at 2803.69 after breaking through the 2800 level two earlier times and finally bouncing up and down on Friday to end near its high point for the week. The market continues to struggle with cross-currents of bad news and good news and appears uncertain as to what to expect next. What happened this week was not as impressive as what has happened since the beginning of the year as the SPX has risen nearly 12 percent in two months. Still, it is only up 4.18 percent from a year ago and remains down over 4.3 percent from last year's highs.

The ten-year U.S. Treasury note displayed a bit of that same guarded optimism with its yield rising 8.6 basis points (hundredths of a percent) to 2.757 percent but remains down from this time last year by about a 10th of a percent. That pesky dip in the yield curve between two and five years continues to suggest the bond market thinks things may slow in a year or so. West Texas Crude declined 2.3 percent to close at \$55.75 but is up a whopping 20 percent so far this year as OPEC sent signals it was going to cut production. The dollar crept higher, up 0.22 percent but far more significantly, up well over 7 percent from a year ago. The relatively high dollar makes imports cheaper and exports more expensive and has largely offset the 10 percent tariffs on many Chinese imports.

### The Economy

There was big news that caused economists to scratch their heads this week as the Commerce De-

### Market & Economic Update

By Jeffrey W. McClure



partment finally released its first estimate of the 4th quarter and full 2018 GDP. Economists and even the Atlanta Fed were estimating that the 4th quarter annualized rate of growth would be around 1.5 percent to 1.7 percent but when the news release came out it was a whopping 1 percent higher at 2.6 percent. That officially put the first estimate of 2018 GDP at 2.9 percent. One would assume that with that sudden shot of admittedly two-month-old good news that the markets would shoot up as would interest rates but almost nothing happened.

The problem was that much if not most of that additional growth appears to have come from inventory buildup. What happened was that businesses across the country were stockpiling raw materials and finished products in anticipation of the threatened tariff increases due this month. They had seen the roughly 40 percent increase in steel prices from the steel tariff and had seen a similar rise in price in washing machines following that tariff, so they moved to buy before the rise. In a seeming oddity, the U.S. Trade Negotiator announced that the 25 percent tariffs scheduled for March were off the table but again the market was unmoved. We suspect that the history of dramatically different scripts between the trade office and the President's tweets may have discredited the announcement.

The problem with rises in stockpiles and associat-

ed economic activity is that stockpiling detracts from future growth as the businesses must sell through their stockpiles before they buy again. That suggests that a bust of some degree will follow the boom we have just witnessed. The net result comes to about zero, thus explaining why stock prices and interest rates were generally unmoved.

Meanwhile, the Chicago Fed National Activity Index continued its downward slope to end January at a negative 0.43, indicating, like the Index of Leading Economic Indicators, that the economy shrunk a bit in January. That -0.43 is more impressive when compared with the +0.56 reading in August. The culprit appears again to be uncertainty about tariffs combined with a labor shortage.

Other announcements this week supported the thesis that the U.S. economic growth rate is slowing. Consumer spending dropped 0.6 percent in December, the largest decline since 2009. Nominal personal income declined by 0.2 percent in January. Manufacturing output appears to still be growing, but each report we get suggests it is growing at a slower rate.

There is nothing catastrophic in view, but it would be reasonable at this point to expect a bit of a low-side shock for the first quarter GDP growth this year.

## Beene selected National Youth Correspondent to Washington Journalism/Media Conference

Grace Beene, a sophomore at Salado High School, has been selected to represent Salado, Texas as a National Youth Correspondent to the 2019 Washington Journalism and Media Conference at George Mason University.

Grace joins a select group of students from all over the country for an intensive study of journalism and media. She was chosen based on academic accomplishments and a demonstrated interest and excellence in journalism and media studies.

National Youth Correspondents participate in hands-on, experiential learning through decision-making simulations that challenge them to solve problems and explore the creative, practical, and ethical tensions inherent in journalism and media. The experiential portion of the program is complemented by speakers who are well-known leaders in the media community. Presenters include prominent journalists, CEOs of major media outlets, researchers, and recent college graduates successfully entering the field. Past speakers have included Hoda Kotb from NBC, Brian Lamb from C-SPAN, Pulitzer Prize winning photographer Carol Guzy, and Sonya Ross from the Associated Press.

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by Dr. Michael Novotny



Grace Beene

ton Journalism and Media Conference offers aspiring journalists and student leaders an unparalleled experience. The week long program, held at George Mason University's state-of-the-art campus, will encourage and inspire young leaders from across the country who desire a unique experience focused on successful careers in

this dynamic industry. The Washington Journalism and Media Conference will be held July 14 to 19, 2019.

Grace will also be going to Japan this summer through the Texas A&M Study Abroad program. Congratulations to Grace Beene for being selected to participate in both of these programs this summer!

## Why the Robert Kraft Bust Matters

Robert Kraft's name will now long be associated with one of the most despicable scourges of modern life, and rightly so.

The New England Patriots owner is charged with soliciting prostitution at a Florida massage parlor busted as part of a sex-trafficking ring. Kraft denies it, although the police in Jupiter, Florida, say they have video evidence.

The charges against him, and two other high-flying men from the financial world, represent an important front in the fight against sex trafficking. Authorities should be doing everything they can to crack down on the supply of trafficked women -- via the networks that often import them to the U.S. and force them into prostitution -- but also exacting a price from the men who constitute the demand. To their credit, authorities undertook a monthslong investigation of the Orchids of Asia spa, where strangely the only customers were male, and dozens of similar operations. They placed cameras inside and charged hundreds of men. (The agency that Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez and other progressives want to abolish, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, assisted on the case.)

### Rich Lowry



The Orchids of Asia spa was in an unremarkable strip mall in a tony area of Florida, neighboring businesses included an Outback Steakhouse and a surf shop. Beneath the veneer of normality there existed a sink of degradation.

The women were lured from China with promises of legitimate work and then trapped in a life of sexual slavery. Sex with up to a thousand men a year. No change of clothes. Sleep on massage tables. Food from hot plates at the back of the parlor. Moved around from one parlor to the next as pawns of the traffickers.

And this is a major business. According to the anti-trafficking group Polaris, the country's 9,000 illicit massage parlors make \$2.5 billion a year.

They are such a lucrative industry only because the Robert Krafts of the world are patrons. He is a billionaire, famous and the owner of one of the most successful franchises in sports. He presumably has access to women, indeed dates an actress and dancer nearly 40 years younger than he is. He

doesn't have to go to a strip-mall massage parlor for sex. Except that it's impossible to find women who are so thoroughly disposable as those compelled to perform sex acts at the likes of the Orchids of Asia spa. The commercial transaction lent a veneer of consent to a sexual exchange where only one party was exercising volition -- the men who showed up, paid \$100 or \$200 and then went on their way.

They are the appropriate target of law enforcement. In Illinois, Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart has been a national leader in making it a priority to go after the buyers of sex, while offering help to prostitutes.

It will, of course, never be possible to end demand for trafficked women. But as with domestic violence, the law can be used as a tool of social disapproval to change how the culture regards prostitution, achieving clarity on who are the victims and the victimizers. Everyone who availed themselves of the Orchids of Asia spa, not just the monsters profiting from it, is the latter.

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# Michael Walton of Preservation Georgetown addressed Historical Society members

Salado Historical Society Pot Luck was held March 4 at the Salado Church of Christ Community Center. Pat Barton one of the original 7 women to help

found the Salado Historical Society was recognized at the meeting for her contributions to Salado.

Speaking at the event was Michael Walton of

Preservation Georgetown, who gave an in depth presentation on preservation in Georgetown, from history, guidelines and standards used in preservation, and

interaction with the City and public. Following the presentation Walton gave Q&A to audience members.



Pat Barton recognized for contributions to Salado Historical Society. A book is presented by Charlene Carson



Michael Walton of Preservation Georgetown presents program at annual potluck supper

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Dena Parks and Hulda Horton work at food prep (PHOTOS BY: ROYCE WIGGIN)

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# Community Life

## Grace Church Men's Breakfast group to hear Nate Self discuss navigating the modern world

Former Army Ranger and West Point graduate Nate Self will discuss Faith and Leadership in Action at the Men's Breakfast at Grace Church Salado, 5988 FM 2484 at 8 a.m. March 23.

Self is a 1998 graduate of West Point who served on active duty in Germany, Kosovo, Afghanistan, and Iraq.

As a former U.S. Army special operations officer, he led his fellow Rangers during a ferocious 15-hour fire-fight in Afghanistan to rescue a fallen Navy SEAL.

This battle became known as the Battle of Takur Ghar (translated "Tall Mountain"). As a result of this combat action, Nate received the Silver Star, the Bronze Star, and the Purple Heart. His platoon's story was featured on the front page of the Wall Street Journal, NBC's Dateline, and in several other video and literary publications.

Hear more of Nate's amazing story as an outstanding professional and



Nate Self

how through his work today he leads his clients through topics such as resilience, decision-making, and mentoring.

His goal is to use his experience, frameworks and perspectives to help them navigate the chaos of to-

day's modern world.

The breakfast buffet will be from Mexicano Grill for \$10 per person for early registrations by March 20 and \$15 at the door.

You may register online at [GraceSalado.com/breakfast](http://GraceSalado.com/breakfast).



Airman Chelsea S. Mamp

## Airman Mamp graduates basic

U.S. Air Force Airman Chelsea S. Mamp graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies.

Airmen who complete basic training also earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Mamp is the daughter of Cathy S. and step-daughter of Mark J. Chapman of Onaway, Mich., sister of Dalton R. and Ashley A. Mamp of Onaway, Mich., and niece of Susan M. Jones of Belton. She is a 2018 graduate of Onaway Area Community Schools.

## Auxiliary speakers Tracy and Young from The Shoppes on Main Mar. 14



Amy Young and Lara Tracy are the co-owners of The Shoppes on Main. They will speak to the Ladies Auxiliary on March 14. (COURTESY PHOTO)

The owners of The Shoppes on Main will speak to the Salado Ladies Auxiliary at their monthly meeting March 14 at the Church of Christ Activity Center, 225 N. Main St.

Coffee and light food will be served at 9:30 a.m. with the meeting commencing at 10 a.m.

Sisters Lara Tracy and Amy Young are the owners of The Shoppes on Main in Salado.

Tracy is also the newly elected president of the Salado Chamber of Commerce. They will be discussing new and exciting changes happening in their business and Tracy will give an update on the Chamber. The Salado Chamber Ladies Auxiliary encourages members and guests to attend and bring a friend.

The Salado Ladies Auxiliary strives to provide events and activities which enhance, improve and promote the community of Salado. Membership dues are \$15. The Auxiliary meets the second Thursday.

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# Community Life

REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEEWOMAN

## Dashiell will speak at SARW Fine China luncheon

Republican National Committeewoman Toni Anne Dashiell will speak at the Salado Area Republican Women's Fine China Luncheon on March 28 at Tenroc Ranch.

Tickets are still available but the \$30 ticket needs to be received by March 22.

Checks may be mailed to SARW, PAC; P.O. Box 373; Salado, TX 76571. For more information contact Dorothy Dentry at ddentry13@gmail.com or 254 760-2456.

Toni Anne Dashiell has been active in politics, grassroots advocacy and leadership training for more than 30 years. She is a leader among leaders, who was awarded the 2009 Ronald Reagan Leadership Award by the National Federation of Republican Women for her distinctive performance as the President of the Texas Federation of Republican Women (TFRW). She is an empowering personality who, added women from Nigeria, Bosnia and Burma to the long list of leaders she has empowered by training in campaign management, leadership development, and communication.

Toni Anne's service as a volunteer grassroots leader dates back to 1968, when



Republican National Committeewoman Toni Anne Dashiell

she worked on a presidential campaign as a member of Teenage Republicans. Since that time she has been a consistent leader in numerous Republican campaigns including Presidential, Senatorial and Congressional, statewide, city and county races.

While she was president of the TFRW, in 2008 and 2009, Toni Anne mentored 165 local club presidents by instituting monthly confer-

ence calls and implementing the use of new media tools, including e-newsletters and social networking sites. During her tenure, the TFRW membership grew to more than 10,000 members.

Also during this time, she mobilized TFRW's members to support Voter I.D. legislation, which was eventually passed by the Texas Legislature. She has presented in numerous campaign management schools, Get-Out-the-Vote workshops, and leadership seminars. It is this distinguished service that led Toni Anne to receive the Ten Most Outstanding Award from TFRW in 2011.

Toni Ann believes in community service and has been active in her community for many years serving on numerous boards. She worked as a licensed nursing home administrator and established an Alzheimer's Day Care Center before changing careers. Currently she holds two licenses for life insurance and real estate. Together, she and her husband, Tom, are small business owners, working in both real estate and insurance. They reside in Boerne.

## CTC to offer evening nursing program

Central Texas College (CTC) announced the deadline to register for its evening/weekend Licensed Vocational Nursing (LVN) program is April 1. Classes will start with the fall 2019 semester.

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Admissions for the evening/weekend vocational nursing program are the same as the day-time program. Among the qualifications, prospective students must complete the CTC LVN program application online; complete all required prerequisites - Biology 2401 Anatomy and Physiology I and Pharma-

cology for Health Professionals 2300 and achieve a grade of "C" or higher by the eligibility deadline date. Students must also complete the HESI A2 examination, which must be taken no more than two years prior to the eligibility deadline date, and start the Hepatitis B series immunizations, if not already completed, which requires six months for completion.

For more information, contact the CTC Department of Nursing and Allied Health at 254-526-1266 or visit the website www.ctcd.edu/nursing.

## Obituaries



FRANK E. PAJESTKA, SR.

Services for Frank E. Pajestka, Sr., were held March 2 at St. Stephen Catholic Church with Father Robert Kincl officiating.

Frank Emil Pajestka, Sr. passed away February 26, 2019 in a Temple hospital.

He was born on February 25, 1927 to Karol (Charles) Pajestka and Emilie Nemecek Pajestka in Holland, Texas. He was a member of St. Stephen Catholic Church in Salado. He was an honorary member of the Granger Knights of Columbus council #4457 and a member of

Holland SPJST Lodge #80.

He married Helen Sirny Pajestka on September 4, 1948. They have two children: Frank Pajestka, Jr. and wife Risa of Holland and Monica McDougall and husband Jim of Temple.

He is survived by his wife and children, and sister-in-law Blanche Pajestka of Bartlett. He is also survived by five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his brothers: Joe Pajestka (Annie), and Charlie Pajestka; sisters: Cecilia Pavlat (Jerry), Rosie Pavlat (John), Betty Jarolik (Adolph), and Albina Pajestka.

Frank worked over 36 years for American Desk Manufacturing Company of Temple, TX as well as a part-time farmer.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Stephen Catholic Church Building Fund or the Holland Volunteer Fire Department.

# Tastes of Salado

Folks filled the Sam Houston room of the Stagecoach Inn restaurant last week for the Public Arts League of Salado Tastes of Salado fundraiser featuring food from local restaurants and inns. Participating businesses were 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 Strawberry Patch. The event also had live and silent auction of art donated by local artists.

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L-R: Monteith Abstract & Title Company Salado office hosted an open house recently. New Branch Manager and Escrow Officer Leslie Ashbaugh White greets Deanna Whitson of SouthStar Bank as well as numerous guests in attendance. Monteith Abstract & Title Company Salado office is located at 213 Mill Creek Dr. (PHOTO BY MARILYN FLEISCHER)

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# Schools & Sports

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## State senate approves \$5,000 teacher pay hike

By RICHARD LEE  
TEXAS SENATE NEWS SERVICE

(Austin) The Senate passed its first bill of the session March 4, one that would give every public school teacher in the state a \$5000 pay raise beginning in the fall semester of 2019.

Named as an emergency issue by the governor, the bill would give teachers their first meaningful pay raise in 20 years, said author and Flower Mound Senator Jane Nelson. "The one thing we should do, first and foremost, is to recognize the need to uplift our entire teaching profession," she said. According to testimony offered by Texas education commissioner Mike Morath last week, most teachers in the state make between \$50,000 and \$60,000 per year, including bonuses and other incentives. All 30 members joined Nelson as co-authors of the bill.

Public school teachers haven't seen a meaningful pay bump in 20 years, said bill author and committee chair Senator Jane Nelson of Flower Mound. "We need to provide this salary in order to retain our teachers in our classrooms, and to attract new teachers to the profession," she said. "We've got to make sure we attract the best and the brightest, and we've got to keep them." Her bill, SB 3, would give all of the state's 350,000 public school teachers a permanent five-thousand dollar raise beginning in the 2018-2019 school year.

Nelson, who is also the chamber's chief budget writer, set aside \$3.7 billion in the Senate proposal to pay for these raises, but the price will go up to just under \$4 billion after considering additional costs to the Teacher Retirement System. Since teacher pensions are based on an average of their highest-compensated

years, an across-the-board pay raise would add about \$240 million in additional costs per year over the next two years. Nelson emphasized that this bill wouldn't preclude any teacher pay provisions in the forthcoming school finance reform bill. Though yet to be unveiled, that measure is expected to include some outcomes-based salary structure to allow districts to identify the best teachers in their schools and pay them more.

According to the Texas Education Agency, the vast majority of public school teachers make between \$50,000 and \$60,000 annually, including bonuses and incentive pay. Many teachers testified before the committee to lend support to the measure, saying that under current pay rates, they have to work multiple jobs and long hours to make ends meet. Though supportive in general, several asked for lawmakers to find a way to include raises for librarians, teachers' assistants, custodians and other education paraprofessionals integral to the education of the state's children.

The bill would cost the state right at \$4 billion next biennium: \$3.7 billion to pay for the raises for the state's 350,000 teachers and \$240 million in additional pension costs. An amendment added to the bill by Nelson would give the same raise to school librarians, at a cost of \$53 million. Nelson told members that this raise, if signed into law, wouldn't preclude additional, effectiveness-based pay schedules expected in forthcoming school finance legislation. The bill now heads to the House for consideration.

In committee action on March 4, the Senate State Affairs Committee approved a measure aimed at ensuring the proper reporting and investigation of all

sexual assault allegations on college campuses. Bill author and committee chair Senator Joan Huffman of Houston said that studies show that one in five female college students have experienced some form of sexual assault. SB 212 would require that any university employee that either witnesses or receives information of sexual harassment, assault, dating violence or stalking reports the incident to the institution's Title XI coordinator for investigation. It also requires the coordinator to make a monthly report on the number and status of sexual assault investigations to the institution's president, and requires the president to make the same report to the institution's governing board once a semester. That report would be made publicly available, though the identities of individuals within would be concealed.

The bill also has strong penalties for non-compliance. Employees failing to report incidents of sexual assault would be terminated, and if the person intentionally tried to cover the incident up, they would face a Class A misdemeanor or charge. The university itself could also face disciplinary action as failure to comply with the bill's requirements could incur as much as a \$2 million penalty. "I am confident that this bill strengthens the reporting requirements to ensure that the days when an outcry went unheard or covered up at an institution of a higher education are over," said Huffman.

The committee also passed a bill that would facilitate cooperation between state agencies on anti-human trafficking efforts. At any given time there are 234,000 victims of human trafficking in Texas, with nearly 80,000 of those victims being children or minors.



## Read Across America on Dr. Seuss's birthday

March 2 is the National Education Agency's Read Across America Day, in celebration of the birthday of Dr. Seuss. Across the country, thousands of schools, libraries, and community centers participate by bringing together kids, teens, and books. Local employees with First Community Title visited Thomas Arnold Elementary to read to students on March 1 (since there was no school on March 2). They also delivered books for children that had been collected by the Salado branch of First Community Title. Before the book delivery, the Salado branch had a Dr. Seuss-themed First Friday breakfast as they served Green Eggs and Ham. FCT Salado hosts a breakfast for locals on the First Friday of each month. Each branch of First Community Title collected children's books and delivered them to local school libraries. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)



Several art students from Salado High School competed at Regional VASE (Visual Arts Scholastic Event) on Saturday, Feb. 16. Salado took home a record number of gold medals. Out of forty entries, thirty received top honors. That is the most Regional gold medals Salado High School has ever received in all the years of participating in VASE. All the artwork entered will be on display at the annual SHS Art Show at the end of the year, which is tentatively set for May 28. VASE students are (front row, from left) Kaitlyn Pflingsten, Austyn Montemayor, Janet Eschmann, Ava Heinzen, Cuyler Aycock, and Anna Cat Pryor; (second row, from left) Rolando Lara, Christian Ortiz, Bebe Rainwater, and Cole Charanza; (third row, from left) Connor Cook, Kenzie Pardon, Lydia Craig, Sophia Olivarez, and Jasey Goings; Back row: Jessica Young, Lydia Smith, Caroline Dabney, and Sophie Stockman. Not shown are Kaitlyn Combs, Kylie Maul and Gillian Moszer. VASE teacher and sponsor is Kyra Mann.

## Varsity Lady Eagles win 3 of 4 at Franklin softball tourney

After losing the opening round in the Franklin softball tournament, the Salado Lady Eagles swept the next three opponents, two of them by the Mercy Rule.

**Blooming Grove 8**  
**Salado 4**

Salado Lady Eagles lost to Blooming Grove Lady Lions 8-4 on Feb. 28.

The Lady Lions led off with two runs in the top of the first. Piper Randolph scored in the bottom of the frame reaching on a dropped third strike. She went to second on the attempted throw and stole third. She scored on a wild pitch.

Blooming Grove added three runs in both the second and third innings. Salado scored in the bottom of the third when Elizabeth Ford reached on a walk. She stole the next three bases to score.

In the fourth, Erin Faske doubled and stole third. She scored on a single to right by Edminson. Edminson stole second and went to

third on a wild pitch. She stole home to make the score 8-4.

Edminson led the Salado batters with a hit and an RBI. Also garnering hits were Faske, Rylee Oborski and Chris Wilson.

Dockray got the loss on the mound. She appeared in two innings, allowing six hits, eight runs, one of them earned and striking out one.

**Navasota 3**  
**Salado 7**

Salado bounced back and beat the Navasota Lady Rattlers 7-3 in the second round Feb. 28.

Navasota scored a run in the top of the first and Salado answered in the bottom when Piper Randolph led off with a solo homer over the left field fence.

The Lady Eagles added three in the third. Elizabeth Ford led off with a single. Randolph reached on a fielder's choice that sent Ford to second. Amanda Cantu laid down a sacrifice bunt to put runners on second and third. Rylee Ob-

orski scored both runners with a triple to center. She scored on a double to deep right by Chris Wilson who was left on base.

Salado added three more in the fourth. With two outs and empty bases, Ford was hit by the pitcher. Randolph and Cantu singled to load the bases Oborski tripled to right to knock in three runs for the 7-3 win.

Salado had 10 hits in the game: Oborski, two triples and 5 RBI; Randolph and Wilson, both with 2 hits and an RBI; Cantu, 2 hits and Edminson and Ford, 1 hit.

Lainey Taylor won the game, pitching four innings. She allowed 5 hits, 3 earned runs and striking out three batters.

**Thrall Lady Tigers 1**  
**Salado Lady Eagles 11**

Salado Lady Eagles ended their game by mercy rule over the Thrall Lady Tigers on March 1, winning 11-1.

Thrall scored in the top of the first but had just one hit, a triple by Addison

Leschber.

Salado responded with two runs in the bottom of the frame. Piper Randolph led off with a single and stole second. She went to third on a ground out to the pitcher and scored on the throw. Chris Wilson doubled and scored on a triple by Breigh Oliver for a 2-1 lead.

The Lady Eagles notched four more in the second. Reese Preston doubled with one out. Rebecca Dockray singled to score Preston, Randolph and Amanda Cantu singled to load the bases. Oborski flew out to center and Dockray scored after tagging up. Wilson doubled to score Randolph and Cantu.

In the third, Salado added five more runs for the 11-1 lead. Elizabeth Ford tripled to center and scored on a double by Marissa Gonzales. Preston doubled to score Gonzales. She went to third on a groundout and stole home. Randolph hit her third single and went to

third on a single by Cantu. Both runners scored on a single by Wilson.

Dockray won the game, pitching four innings, allowing one hit, an earned run and striking out four.

Batting for the Lady Eagles were Wilson, three hits and three RBI; Randolph, three hits; Cantu and Preston, two hits and an RBI each; Dockray, Oliver and Faske, a hit and an RBI each and Ford, a hit.

**Salado Lady Eagles 15**  
**Dawson Lady Bulldogs 0**

Salado shut out the Dawson Lady Bulldogs in the final round of the tournament, winning 15-0 on March 1.

Salado scored three runs in the bottom of the first. Piper Randolph led off with a walk. She stole second and a single by Amanda Cantu put runners at the corners. Rylee Oborski doubled to score Randolph. Cantu was thrown out trying to reach home. Oborski stole third and home. Chris Wilson walked and went to second

on a single by Breigh Oliver. Elizabeth Ford pushed across Wilson with a double.

Salado added eight in the second. Reese Preston singled and scored on a homer by Rebecca Dockray. Randolph singled and Cantu singled to put runners at the corner. Cantu stole second and both runners scored on a single to right by Oborski. Oborski scored on a double to left by Oliver. Ford was hit by the pitcher and both runners stole base. Erin Faske doubled to score both runners. She went to third on a single by Preston and stole home for the final run of the inning.

The Lady Eagles put four more runs on the board in the third. Cantu led off with a triple. She scored on a single by Oborski, who stole her way around the bases to score. Wilson was hit by the pitcher. She scored on a triple to deep right by Oliver. Faske triple to deep left to score Oliver ending the game by mercy.

## SHS soph. Connor Howard is alternate to speech nationals

The Salado High School Speech and Debate Team competed at the National Speech and Debate Heart of Texas District Meet at McNeil High School on March 1-2. Fourteen schools competed at the meet, including all 6A schools from the Austin area.

In domestic extemporaneous speaking, 26 students competed for the right to compete at nationals.

Sophomore Connor Howard placed third, making him the alternate to nationals.

In the final round, he competed against four other seniors from Westwood, Lake Travis, Bowie and Hendrickson high school.

The National Speech & Debate Tournament will be held in Dallas the week of June 16-21. It is the largest academic competition in the world.



Sophomore Connor Howard alternate to nationals

## Eagles split games in West tourney

Salado Eagles split their games in the West baseball tournament Feb. 28-March 2, beating the West Trojans and Palmer Bulldogs and losing to China Spring and Lorena.

**Salado Eagles 3**  
**China Spring 10**

Salado Eagles lost to China Spring 10-2 in the first round of the West Baseball Tournament on Feb. 28.

Salado got a brief lead in the top of the first. With two outs and empty bases, Caleb Self walked and scored on a double to deep left by Rustin Hale, who was left stranded.

China Spring took over the game with four runs in the bottom of the frame, two runs in the second and two in the third for an 8-1 lead.

Salado scored a run in the top of the fourth. Hale reached on a fielding error on his shot to left. He went to second on the error. He advanced to third on a single to left by Dalton Hawes. Hale scored on a sacrifice to left by David Heath.

China Spring answered with two runs in the bottom of the fourth.

With an out in the fifth, Konnor Baird doubled to deep left. He went to third

on a passed ball and scored on a groundout to shortstop by Ethan Scott.

The Eagles had seven hits, led by Hale, who went 2-for-3 with an RBI. Also tallying hits were Baird, Scott (1 RBI), Self, Hawes, and Garrett Knight.

Knight struck out seven in the loss on the mound. He gave up seven hits and one earned run.

**Salado Eagles 4**  
**West Trojans 2**

The Eagles bounced back with a 4-2 win later in the day over the West Trojans.

Salado scored two runs in the top of the first. With one out Ethan Scott reached on a field error by the shortstop. He went to third on a double by Caleb Self. Scott scored on a single by Rustin Hale. Self stole home to score when Hale stole second base.

David Heath led off the second with a single and stole second. He scored on a single to left by Parker Shelley for a 3-0 lead. West scored in the third after Kade Klaus tripled, scoring on an error to make the score 3-1.

The Trojans got within a run in the fourth, 3-2 but the Eagles scored in the fifth. Scott reached on an-

other error. He advanced on a walk to Self and went to third on a passed ball. He scored on a sac fly to deep left by Hale for the 4-2 lead.

Salado had seven hits in the game, led by Self and Heath with two hits each. Also garnering hits were Hale, a hit and 2 RBI, Shelley, a hit and an RBI and Kofi Stoglin, a hit.

Baird got the win on the mound. He appeared 6-1/3 innings, striking out 10 and allowing three hits and two runs, one of them earned.

**Lorena Leopards 8**  
**Salado Eagles 2**

Salado held Lorena scoreless through two innings but the Leopards scored two in the third, one in the fourth, four in the fifth and one in the seventh for a 8-2 win on March 1.

Salado scored in the bottom of the first when Ethan Scott walked with one out. Caleb Self doubled to deep left to push Scott across for a 1-0 lead.

The Eagles added another run in the sixth. Konnor Baird led off the frame with a double to deep left. He went to third on an error to put runners at the corners. Self sacrificed to deep left to score Baird.

Parker Shelley got the loss for Salado, pitching

5-2/3 innings. He struck out four batters and allowed 11 hits and seven runs (six of them earned).

Self led the Eagles at the plate with a 2 RBI hit. Baird also got a hit.

**Salado Eagles 4**  
**Palmer Bulldogs 2**

The Palmer Bulldogs scored two runs in the bottom of the first, but it would not be enough as the Salado Eagles won the fourth round of the tournament 4-2 on March 2.

Salado took an early lead with a run in the top of the first. Ethan Scott singled to deep right with one out. He went to second on a single by Caleb Self and Rustin Hale singled to load the bases. Dalton Heath sacrificed to center to score Scott.

Salado added two more in the top of the second. With one out, Parker Shelley singled and stole second. Hunter Turk walked and an error allowed Baird to load the bases. Shelley scored on a ground out and Turk scored on a fielding error on Self's shot down the third base line.

The Eagles added a run in the fifth. Self led off with a single and stole second. He scored on Heath's single to deep right.

## JV Red sweeps Jarrell/Salado tourney

Salado JV Red Eagles won all three of their games in the Jarrell/Salado JV Tournament Feb. 28-March 2, defeating Lampasas, Rockdale and Caldwell. The wins improve Salado's record to 8-1. The Eagles will play in the Bryan Tournament March 7-9.

**Lampasas JV 2**  
**Salado JV 7**

Kory Walker led off the bottom of the third with a triple and scored on the throw to start the scoring for the Salado JV Red Eagles in their 7-2 on March 1. The Eagles scored three in the frame.

With one out, Chris Bates singled to center and advanced to third after two wild pitches. He scored on a two out single by Kole Maedgen. Maedgen scored on a double to deep right by Logan Atchison.

In the third, Stuart Lastovica singled with an out and went to third on passed ball. He scored on a Single by Daniel Cunningham for a 4-0 lead.

Lampasas scored two runs in the top of the fourth and the Eagles added three in the bottom for the 7-2 win. Carson King walked to lead off the bottom of the fourth. Nader Smien singled and runners went to second and third on a wild pitch. Walker singled to right scoring both runners. He stole second and third. He scored on a single by Bates.

Maedgen earned the win on the mound, pitching four innings, allowing no hits or runs and striking out two. Dillon McDaniel pitched an inning, allowing three hits and two runs, striking out one.

The Eagles had 12 hits in the game with Kole Maedgen leading all batters with three hits and three RBI. Also tallying hits were Walker, two hits and two RBI, Bates, two hits, two RBI and Smien, two hits, and Atchison, Cunningham and Lastovica, a hit and an RBI each.

**Rockdale JV 0**  
**Salado JV 4**

Salado JV Red Eagles shut out the Rockdale JV Tigers 4-0 in the second round on March 2. Bryce Dobbins struck out seven and allowed three hits in the win on the mound.

Kory Walker start the scoring for Salado with a two-out single in the top of the first. He stole second and went to third on a single by Dillon McDaniel. Stuart Lastovica walked to load the bases and Walker scored on a balk before the inning left two runners stranded.

With two outs in the second, Bryce Dobbins walked and stole second. He scored on a single to deep right by Carson King for a 2-0 lead.

McDaniel reached on an error with one out in the third. He stole second and third and scored on double by Daniel Cunningham. Cunningham went to third on an error and scored on a passed ball.

Bryce Dobbins got the win on the mound, pitching the entire four innings. He allowed three hits but no runs and struck out seven batters.

Garnering hits were King and Cunningham, with a hit and an RBI each, Walker and McDaniel, a hit each.

**Caldwell JV 4**  
**Salado JV Red 8**

The Caldwell JV Tigers gave Salado its closest match March 2 by leading off the game with four runs off of three singles and two walks.

Salado answered with four in the bottom of the frame. An error, a walk and a single by Kory Walker loaded the bases. Dillon McDaniel was hit by the pitcher to push a run across. A balk pushed the second run across and Stuart Lastovica grounded out to second to score a run. With two outs, McDaniel scored on a fielding error on a shot to right field by Daniel Cunningham.

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# Salado soccer results

Salado Eagles will face Liberty Hill Panthers 5:30 p.m. March 8 at Eagle Stadium with the District Championship on the line.

The Eagles have an 8-1 record in district with their only loss on the road to Liberty Hill. They are tied with Liberty Hill in district standings.

The Boys soccer team defeated the Florence bufaloes 7-0 March 1.

The first hat trick of the season was scored by Freshman Cooper Chambliss, who began the scoring with the only two goals in the first half. The first goal was assisted by Sophomore Nicholas Lemus, and the second was assisted by Sophomore Chris Ortiz.

The Eagles dominated the second half with Cooper Chambliss starting the scoring again assisted by Senior Captain and brother Caleb Chambliss. The 4th goal was scored by Junior Javier Chavez assisted by Junior Nader Smien. The fifth goal was an unassisted goal by Captain Ca-

leb Chambliss. The next goal was scored by Junior Brian Chavez assisted from a throw in by Caleb Chambliss, and the last goal was tallied by Freshman Max Markham assisted by Freshman Alex Pierce.

The Eagles defeated the Jarrell Cougars for the second time in district 27-4A play with a score of 4-1 on Feb. 26.

This win secured a spot in the post season with four district games remaining.

The scoring didn't start until the second half when Junior Nader Smien scored from a cross off Freshman Alex Pierce. Sophomore Chris Ortiz would add the second goal assisted by Junior Javier Chavez, who would also assist the third goal scored by Alex Pierce. Senior Captain Caleb Chambliss would add the final goal from a Penalty Kick.

### VARSIITY GIRLS

Lady Eagles added two more district wins by shut out last week, defeating

Florence and Jarrell.

The girls beat Florence March 1 by a score of 8-0.

Goals were scored by Holly Wright (3), Hannah Reavis (2), Anna Lesley, Aubrey Heffner, and Grace Graham. Mackenzie Miller (2), Holly Wright, and Madison Spradlin had the assists. Avery Wright and Lauren Wilson earned the shutout in goal.

The varsity girls soccer team defeated Jarrell Feb. 26 by a score of 5-0.

Goals were scored by Holly Wright, Aubrey Heffner, Hannah Reavis, Mackenzie Miller, and Avery Wright. Hannah Reavis (2), Presley Maddux, and Aubrey Heffner had the assists. Lauren Wilson and Avery Wright earned the shut out in goal.

### JV Boys

The Junior Varsity boys soccer team came back down 3-0 at half to secure a Tie 4-4 against the Florence on March 1. Goals scored by Ryan Havelka who had two on the night, Caleb Sirmon and Waylon Fleet.



(COURTESY PHOTO)

Salado High School is sending two powerlifters to the State Meet in Waco later this month: Dorislynn Edmondson and Regina Deen. Dorislynn Edmondson is the Regional Champion for the girls 181 pound class and had the best deadlift for the heavy platform at 350 pounds. Regina Deen placed second in the 132 pound class. Four other girls competed at the Regional Powerlifting Meet last week: Samantha Vargas was fourth in her weight class; Austyn Montemayor was fourth in her weight class and Caelan Teer finished ninth. Morgan Mays also competed.

## SHS golf teams tee off spring season

Salado High School spring golf season is underway. Teams have competed in a couple of tournaments this past month.

Varsity Girls

The girls placed 10th overall in the 6A San Angelo Central Classic held at San Angelo Country Club and Bentwood Country Club. Over the two-day, 36 hole tournament, the Salado girls scored a total of 763. Individual scores were these: Maddy Bour-

land, 175, Avery Hyer, 201, Taylor Rich 181 and Averie Piatt, 206.

The girls also played at the 36-hole State Preview Tournament at Plum Creek golf course in Kyle. Salado placed fifth overall with a team score of 748. Individual scores were these: Maddy Bourland, 177, Avery Hyer, 191, Taylor Rich, 185, Averie Piatt 204 and Priscilla Torczynski, 195.

The JV girls played in the Taylor Duck Invitational

with Lindsey Neas shooting a 92 and Grace Hilfman shooting an 89.

The Boys varsity teams also played in the State Preview Tournament at Plum Creek in Kyle. The boys placed sixth overall with a team total of 714.

They had the following individual scores: James Perry, 161, Caleb Altum, 187, Logan Rickey, 172, Derek Mullinix 194 and Cayden Meyer 91 (only played 18).

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# Salado Eagles Track take second at Roasa Relays

Salado Eagles Track team placed third in the Roasa Relay Feb. 28. Jarrell won the meet with 136 points, followed by host Holland in second with 100.5 points.

100 Meter Dash: Chris Bates, fourth, 11.66.

200 Meter Dash: Balde- mar Rodri., fifth, 24.40.

400 Meter Dash: Noah Mescher, third, 54.81, Clay- ton Zak, fifth, 56.43.

800 Meter Run: Logan Rickey, first, 2:09.09.

1600 Meter Run: Logan Rickey, first, 4:51, Hunter Haas, second, 4:52.02, Trey Graham, sixth, 5:27.24.

3200 Meter Run: Hunter Haas, first, 10.30, Trey Gra- ham, fourth, 11.40.

400 Meter Relay: Balde- mar Rodri., Chris Bates, Connor Cook, LaTrelle Jen- kins, fourth, 46.53.

800 Meter Relay: Balde- mar Rodri., Greg Washing- ton, Ryan McBurney, Wyatt McMichael, fourth, 1:40.

Long Jump: Ryan Mc- Burney, sixth, 16-10 1/4.

Shot Put: Gavyn Keyser, third, 35-0 1/4.

Discus: Bryce Dobbins, fifth, 101-2, Gavyn Keyser, sixth, 97-9 1/2.

High Jump: Cade Scal- lin, second, 5-6, LaTrelle Jenkins, third, 5-2.

Pole Vault: Preston Culp, sixth, 8-0.

Salado JV Boys Track team won the Roasa Relays Feb. 28. Salado won the meet with 156 points, fol- lowed in second by Jarrell with 144 points.

100 Meter Dash: Lo- gan Pitts, first, 12.00, Ethan Johnson, fourth, 12.41.

200 Meter Dash: Ethan Johnson, sixth, 25.65.

400 Meter Dash: Collin Wilson, first, 1:00.43, Derek Alvarado, sixth, 1:03.90.

800 Meter Run: Grants Sellers, fourth, 2:31.56, Juaquin Tobias, fifth, 2:34.24.

1600 Meter Run: Isaac Huerta, first, 5:28.49, Col- lin Wilson, second, 5:29.17, Grant Sellers, fourth,

5:34.84.

3200 Meter Run: Grant Sellers, first, 11.27, Isaac Huerta, second, 11.37.

110 Meter Hurdles: Wes- ley Hernand., first, 18.21.

300 Meter Hurdles: Wes- ley Hernand., third, 48.58.

800 Meter Relay: Dan- iel Frisby, Derek Alvarado, Nolan Williams, Toby Rios, second, 1:43.21.

Long Jump: Toby Rios,

third, 15-9 1/2, Daniel Fris- by, sixth, 15-2 1/2.

Shot Put: Beau Hill, first, 32-6, Kory Walker, second, 32-4, Peyton Miller, third, 31-6.

Discus: Stephen Villaf- ranco, sixth, 82-9.

High Jump: Nolan Wil- liams, third, 5-2, Logan Pitts, fourth, 5-0.

Pole Vault: Garrett Gay, first, 9-6.



Grants Sellers in the 3200 Meter Run

# Lady Eagles place second at Roasa Relays

Salado Lady Eagles Track team placed second in the Roasa Relays Feb. 28. Jarrell won the meet with 183 points, followed by Salado in second with 182 points.

100 Meter Dash: Regi- nia Deen, first, 12.68, Angie Sanders, fifth, 13.55.

200 Meter Dash: Kaia Philen, third, 28.24, Mia Patton, fifth, 30.20.

400 Meter Dash: Taylor Rich, first, 1:05.56, Saman- tha Vargas, second, 1:05.84, Mackenzie Miller, fifth, 1:08.59.

1600 Meter Run: Jaci McGregor, first, 5:49.90, Anna Lesley, second, 6:03.96.

3200 Meter Run: Jaci McGregor, first, 12.06, Anna Lesley, second, 12.34.

100 Meter Hurdles: Hol- ly Wright, first, 16.40.

300 Meter Hurdles: Hol-

ly Wright, second, 51.81, Avery Fossum, fourth, 52.43.

400 Meter Relay: Angie Sanders, Kaia Philen, Mia Patton, Reginia Deen, first, 52.97.

800 Meter Relay: Angie Sanders, Ashley Voelter, Kaia Philen, Mia Patton, second, 1:56.91.

1600 Meter Relay: Av- ery Fossum, Reginia Deen, Samantha Vargas, Taylor Rich, first, 4:27.34.

Discus: Landry Rogers, first, 103-4.

Triple Jump: Kaia Philen, second, 33-0 1/2.

Pole Vault: Presley Mad- dux, first, 8-6.

Salado JV Girls Track team placed second behind Holland in the Roasa Relays Feb. 28.

100 Meter Dash: Mia Saultter, first, 13.91.

200 Meter Dash: Mia

Saultter, second, 29.59.

400 Meter Dash: Nena Vero, second, 1:10.28.

800 Meter Run: Nena Vero, first, 2:50, Jade Good- night, second, 3:01.02.

1600 Meter Run: Lily Lougheed, first, 7:02.78.

3200 Meter Run: Lily Lougheed, second, 14:59.

100 Meter Hurdles: Darci Pryor, first, 17.81, Morgan Schaub, second, 19.20.

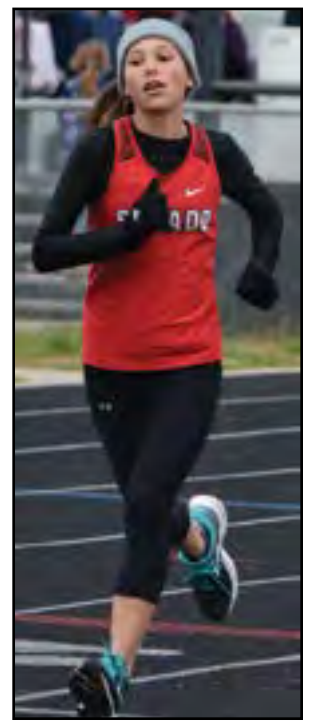
300 Meter Hurdles: Dar- ci Pryor, first, 55.58, Mor- gan Schaub, second, 58.92.

Shot Put: Kymberleigh De., fifth, 23-0.

Discus: Kymberleigh De., first, 67-11 1/2, Grace Graham, second, 64-8.

Triple Jump: Mia Sault- ter, second, 30-9 1/2.

Pole Vault: Jasmine Hanscom, first, 7-1, Jenna Hanscom, first, 7-1.



Anna Lesley in the 3200 Meter Run

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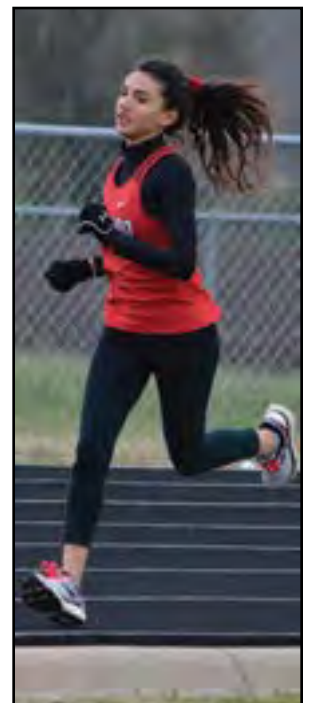
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(Shown Above) Salado Lady Eagles 1600 Meter Relay team placed first with a time of 4:27.34. (Courtesy Photos)



Jaci McGregor in the 3200 Meter Run

## Boys Soccer

Date	Opponent	Site	JV White	JV Red	Varsity
Jan. 17-19	Wimberly Tournament	Fredericksburg			TBA
Jan. 17-19	Waco Tournament	Away	TBA	TBA	
Jan. 22	Pflugerville	Home	5 p.m.		
Jan. 24&26	Salado JV Classic Tourney	Home	TBA	TBA	
Jan. 25	Georgetown	Away			TBA
Jan. 29	*Academy	Home	4 p.m.		7-0 Win
Jan. 29	Academy	Home	4 p.m.		
Feb. 1	*Jarrell	Away	4 p.m.		2-0 Win
Feb. 1	*Liberty Hill	Home		4 p.m.	
Feb. 5	*Florence	Home			4-1 Win
Feb. 5	*Liberty Hill	Away		4 p.m.	
Feb. 8	*Eastside Memorial	Away	5:30 p.m.	6:30 p.m.	
Feb. 12	*Liberty Hill	Away		4 p.m.	1-5 Loss
Feb. 15	*Lampasas	Away		4 p.m.	3-0 Win
Feb. 19	*Burnet	Away			5-2 Win
Feb. 22	*Academy	Away		4 p.m.	5-0 Win
Feb. 26	*Jarrell	Home		4 p.m.	4-1 Win
March 1	*Florence	Away		4 p.m.	7-0 Win
March 1	*Liberty Hill	Away	4 p.m.		
March 5	Pflugerville	Away	4 p.m.		
March 8	*Liberty Hill	Home		4 p.m.	5:30 p.m.
March 11	*Lampasas	Home		4 p.m.	5:30 p.m.
March 19	*Burnet	Home		4 p.m.	5:30 p.m.
March 22	Midlothian Heritage	Midlothian			6 p.m.
	* District Game				

## Girls Soccer

Date	Opponent	Site	JV	Varsity
Jan. 17-19	Salado Eagle Classic	Home		3 W- 1 L
Jan. 25	Wimberly	Away	5 p.m.	3-0 Win
Jan. 24&26	Salado JV Tournament	Home	TBD	
Jan. 28	Taylor	Away	7 p.m.	
Jan. 29	*Academy	Home		
Feb. 1	*Jarrell	Away		4-0 Win
Feb. 5	*Florence	Home	4 p.m.	10-0 Win
Feb. 8	Gateway Prep	Home	5 p.m.	
Feb. 12	*Liberty Hill	Away	4 p.m.	
Feb. 15	*Lampasas	Away	4 p.m.	3-0 Win
Feb. 19	*Burnet	Away	4 p.m.	9-1 Win
Feb. 22	Academy	Away		3-0 Win
Feb. 26	* Jarrell/Belton JV	Away	4 p.m.	5-0 Win
March 1	*Florence	Home	4 p.m.	8-0 Win
March 8	*Liberty Hill	Home	4 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
March 12	*Lampasas	Home	4 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
March 19	*Burnet	Home	4 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
March 22	Midlothian Heritage	Midlothian		4 p.m.
	*District Game			

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## Texas Wine and Rogue Art Fest returns March 30 -31

Enjoy wine, food, art, and the outdoors during the weekend of March 30 - 31. You'll find the Village of Salado filled with folks sipping wine, browsing art and nibbling on the best food at the 11th annual Texas Wine and Rogue Art Fest, the biggest and best wine festival between Austin and Grapevine.

The 2019 festival will include 21 wineries and vineyards pouring about 100 different Texas wines, alongside 40 booths featuring art, delectable foods, and handmade goods. The festival will feature wineries from all across the state, including Temple, Waco, Fredericksburg, Pittsburgh and Lubbock. Wines vary from light dry red rosés and Texas favorites like Tem-

pranillo and Malbec to fruit wines, moscatos, and sweet reds.

If you're hungry, the festival is hosting several food trucks, including Happy Pizza, Hecho en Queso, and Toka Island Grill. Foodies will also enjoy experiencing Texas-based food from Sweet B's Candy, Texas Cheese House, Spicewood Food Company, Haute Goat Creamery, and iJerky Guy. The full list of participants is available at [www.saladovinefestival.com](http://www.saladovinefestival.com).

"I wanted to attract a different type of artist, so I named it 'Rogue' as in the artists are going rogue," June Ritterbusch, owner and winemaker, explains, "We are always searching for unusual artists and this year we have found some.

These Texas wineries are rogue entrepreneurs as well, and I think all the wine and art folks are going to create a great experience."

The festival will be held on the grounds of Salado Winery & Salado Wine Seller at 841 N. Main St., Salado, rain or shine. Families are welcome. There will be plenty of kid-friendly space to run around, including our cellar door sandbox. Well-behaved pets on leashes are allowed.

The grounds open at noon each day and close at 5 p.m. on Saturday and 4 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is free and \$20 buys 12 wine tasting tickets and souvenir glass, with additional tasting tickets available to purchase.



The grounds of Salado Winery and Salado Wine Seller hosts a variety of Texas wineries and vineyards, specialty food makers, food trucks and artists each spring for the Texas Wine and Rogue Art Fest.

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## Salado Spring Sweep and Texas-Trash Off April 13

Spring has arrived and so has the time for another community cleanup day in Salado. Residents are encouraged to take part in the Salado Spring Sweep and Texas Trash-Off Day sponsored by Keep Salado Beautiful on April 13.

"This is a great opportunity for Salado residents to

do their part to help keep our community a clean and attractive place to live, work and visit," said Keep Salado Beautiful Coordinator Lisa Nix. "Volunteers of all ages are welcome to participate in the event."

Individuals interested in taking part in the clean-up are asked to gather at 8:30 a.m. April 13 at the Salado Civic Center located at 601 N. Main Street. After registering, participants will be provided trash bags and trash pickers and then dispatched to designated locations in the community to pick up trash and debris.

Hecho en Queso will provide breakfast bites. Bring your own container for coffee, hot chocolate, and water.

Eagle Disposal will provide dumpsters in the parking lot of the Civic Center where volunteers can deposit their bags of collected litter and recyclable goods. Drop off your used electronics for the Salado High School Robotics Team. There will be prizes for the most unusual item and the most collected.

"Our volunteers make such a difference in Salado," Nix said. "Fanning out across the Village and collecting trash along the

roadsides, creek banks and in other public areas in our community is a great way to spend a Saturday in April, while giving back to your community."

Local Scouts, as well as representatives of local service organizations, are expected to join other volunteers in the community clean-up effort that will last from 8:30 a.m. to noon. The Spring Clean-Up is a community-wide collaborative project coordinated and sponsored by Keep Salado Beautiful. For more information, contact Lisa Nix at 254.947.5153 or [keepsaladobeautiful@yahoo.com](mailto:keepsaladobeautiful@yahoo.com).

Keep Salado Beautiful was established in January of 2009 and is an active local Keep Texas Beautiful Affiliate. Keep Salado Beautiful is a 501(c)(3) and educational organization that promotes public interest in the general improvement of the environment through planning, directing and coordinating programs for improving the quality of life in Salado. KBS's mission is to educate and engage Salado to take responsibility for improving their community environment. For more information visit [www.keepsaladobeautiful.com](http://www.keepsaladobeautiful.com) or follow on Facebook.

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**MARCH 7**

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

**MARCH 7**

KidZone: Rainbow Keychains, 4 p.m. at Salado Public Library

**MARCH 7**

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

**MARCH 7**

Village of Salado Board of Aldermen meeting, 6 p.m. at Municipal Building. **MARCH 7**

Village of Salado Zoning Public Hearing, 6:30 p.m. at Salado Municipal building. Request for variance at 506 San Pedro and 501 Van Bibber

**MARCH 7**

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

**MARCH 8**

Coloring with Karen, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at Stamp Salado

**MARCH 8**

Noon release at Salado ISD

**MARCH 8**

In It To Win It, 6 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co. Hosted by the Salado Public Library

**MARCH 9**

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

**MARCH 9 - 10**

Salado Market Days, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall

**MARCH 9**

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

**MARCH 9**

Asanas and Ales, 10 - 11 a.m. at Barrow Brewing Company

**MARCH 9**

Classes at Stamp Salado: Die-Cutting Basics at 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and Coloring Laurel Burch Stamps at 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

**MARCH 9**

Read with Murphy, 10:30 a.m. at Salado Public Library

**MARCH 9**

Storytime: Rainbows, 11 a.m. at Salado Public Library

**MARCH 10**

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

**MARCH 11 - 15**

No Classes at Salado ISD

**MARCH 11**

Storytime: Leprechauns, 11 p.m. at Salado Public Library

**MARCH 11**

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

**MARCH 11**

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.

**MARCH 11**

Salado Chapter of Songsmith, 7-9 p.m. at Salado Public Library.

**MARCH 11**

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

**MARCH 12**

Around the World themed diner, by reservation at Alexander's Distillery. Reservations: (254) 947-3828

**MARCH 12**

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

**MARCH 12**

Salado Chamber of Commerce Friendship and Coffee networking opportunity, 8 - 9 a.m. at the Visitor Center

**MARCH 12**

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

**MARCH 12**

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

**MARCH 12**

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

**MARCH 12**

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

**MARCH 12**

Planning and Zoning Public Hearing, 4 p.m. at Salado Municipal Building. Topic: Amendment to Comprehensive Plan

**MARCH 12**

Salado Community Chorus practice, 6 p.m. Salado Civic Center

**MARCH 12**

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

**MARCH 13**

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

**MARCH 13**

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

**MARCH 13**

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

**MARCH 14**

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

**MARCH 14**

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

**MARCH 14**

KidZone: Rainbow Slime, 4 p.m. at Salado Public Library

**MARCH 14**

Around the World themed dinner: Ireland, by reservation only at Alexander's Distillery (254) 947-3828

**MARCH 14**

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

**MARCH 15**

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

**MARCH 16**

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

**MARCH 16**

Bluebonnet Make-n-Takes, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Stamp Salado. Free

**MARCH 16**

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

**MARCH 16**

Salado Public Library events; Storytime: Leprechauns at 11 a.m., TeenScene: Leprechaun Bracelets at 3:30 p.m. and KidZone: Dino Excavation! at 4 p.m.

**MARCH 16 - 17**

Northbound & Down Music Festival at Barrow Brewing Co

**MARCH 17**

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

**MARCH 18**

Storytime: Dinosaurs, 11 a.m. at Salado Public Library

**MARCH 18**

Denver Mills Golf Tournament to Benefit Tablerock, 1 p.m. at Mill Creek Golf Course

**MARCH 18**

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

**MARCH 18**

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

**MARCH 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.

**MARCH 18**

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

**MARCH 18**

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

**MARCH 19**

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

**MARCH 19**

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

**MARCH 19**

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

**MARCH 19**

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

**MARCH 19**

Planning and Zoning Public Hearing, 4 p.m. at Salado Municipal Building. Topic: Conditional Use Permit for Golf Course in Single Family Residential

**MARCH 19**

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

**MARCH 19**

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

**MARCH 20**

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

**MARCH 20**

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

**MARCH 21**

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

**MARCH 21**

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



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## Live Music in Salado



Martian Folk will invade Barrow Brewery at 7 p.m. on March 9.

**SATURDAY**  
Martians at the Brewery, 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

**SUNDAY**  
Amanda Brown, 2-4 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

**MARCH 16 - 17**  
Northbound & Down Mini Music Fest at Barrow Brewing Co.

**SATURDAY:**  
Chastity at noon  
Living Hour at 1:30 p.m.  
YAWNERS at 3 p.m.  
Landon Bullard at 4:30 p.m.  
Lilly and The Implements at 6 p.m.

**Tyler Stuckey Band** at 7:30 p.m.  
Outdoor viewing of Smokey and the Bandit at 8:30 p.m.

**SUNDAY:**  
Dustin Brown at 1 p.m.  
Haley Cole at 2:30 p.m.  
Tallies at 4 p.m.  
The Cold Tony's at 5:30 p.m.

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## Crawfish Boil at Barrow Brewing

A cold and wintry March 2 couldn't stop folks from lining up for crawfish and shrimp boiled by Ron Cunningham and Ben Ackley and beer at Barrow Brewing Co. Tables were packed inside and out at Barrow Brewing for the Mardi Gras Crawfish Boil held Mar. 2.

Middle, left, Lora Zuber of Salado, holds the cutest "mud bug" grandson Lucas Ernst.

Bottom left, Ron Cunningham, owner the Pizza Place and Ben Ackley, meat market manager from Brookshire Brothers boiled up crawfish and shrimp for lots of hungry people. They sold out of crawfish within an hour.

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## Experience new adventures this spring break at a Texas State Park

With Spring Break around the corner, Texans everywhere will be looking for new ways to explore. Take a walk on the wild side this year with a one-of-a-kind experience at a Texas State Park.

Visitors now have the option to purchase day use passes up to one month in advance, guaranteeing access to parks even during busy times like weekends and holidays. To purchase a day pass, visit the Texas State Parks Reservation System page on the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department website.

With 95 parks around the state, there are plenty of things to see. Below are a few ideas recommended by park staff for anyone who wants to visit somewhere new this Spring Break.

### Big Bend Country

The dunes at Monahans Sandhills State Park go on for acres. It's a great place to camp in an other-worldly setting. Pack a picnic, water, sun protection and a GPS unit (or follow your tracks back out) and set out on a deep dune adventure. Stay for a while and then hit the road again.

### Panhandle Plains

The stars at night, are big and bright, at Copper Breaks State Park. The park is one of only five International Dark Sky Parks in Texas and is recognized as one of the best places to view the stars with a gold-tier rating. Visitors can grab a blanket and cozy up at their campsite to observe the milky way, planets, and other celestial bodies. During the day, Copper Breaks State Park offers plenty of recreational activities. Explore the rugged



Hiking and paddling trails abound across the state. Find an adventure that fits your family this spring break.

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landscape on one of the many hiking trails or cool off in the lake. The park is also home to members of the Official State Longhorn Herd and visitors can attend regular feedings.

### Pineywoods

Nestled between towering pines and hardwood trees, Atlanta State Park is a hidden gem park tucked away in the northeast corner of the state that offers gorgeous lake views, campsites, excellent hiking and birding. Atlanta State Park provides something for everyone to enjoy all year round. Learn to fish on the 20,300-acre Wright Patman Lake reservoir by borrowing fishing tackle from the park. Visitors can also rent canoes, basketballs, volleyballs and horseshoes for visitors to use and enjoy in the park.

Two ecoregions meet on the shore of Lake Bob Sandlin State Park in northeast Texas. The result: massive trees, tall grasses and a fascinating mix of plants and

animals. Wildlife abounds at this park and it also has a lighted fishing pier. Visitors can try out geocaching, which is a digital scavenger hunt available at this and many Texas State Parks. Rangers also lead a variety of programs here, including Reading with a ranger and guided trail hikes.

### South Texas Plains

Take a walk through Texas history at Goliad State Park and Historic Site, located 30 minutes outside of Victoria. The park is now the home of the El Camino Real de los Tejas Visitors Center and has exhibits that talk about the history of the Spanish "King's Road." Goliad State Park is also the take-out point for the 6.6-mile Goliad Paddling Trail. Paddle the San Antonio River for a few hours and enjoy the first inland paddling trail to include a state park.

For more information about Texas State Parks, visit [texasstateparks.org](http://texasstateparks.org).

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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

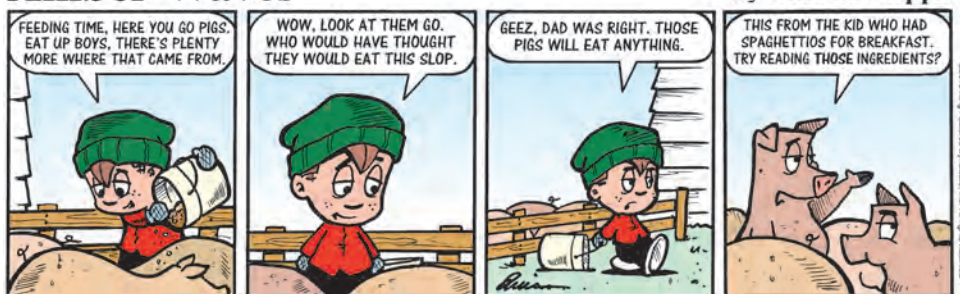
- 4 St. Stephen Catholic Church C
- 6 Salado College Park V
- 7 Raney & Associates \$
- 8 Stagecoach Inn D
- 9 Salado Museum V
- Salado Visitors Center \$
- Salado Chamber of Commerce \$
- Village of Salado Tourism Office \$
- 10 Sofi's S
- 14 Salado Glassworks A
- 16 The Sugar Shack S/D
- 17 Barrow Brewing Co. D
- 20 Springhouse Emporium S
- 21 The Venue V
- 22 The Shed D
- 24 Tablerock V
- 26 Salado United Methodist Church C
- 29 Alexander's Distillery D
- 29 Inn on the Creek L
- 30 First Baptist Church C
- 32 First Texas Brokerage \$
- 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
- 85 Salado Post Office \$
- 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 \$
- Ace Pest Control \$
- Integrity Rehab \$
- Salado's Hair Shop \$
- Salado Village Voice \$
- 97 Brookshire Brothers S
- 100 Salado Public Library C
- 113 Salado Church of Christ C
- 126 Cowboy's Barbecue D
- 130 Village Spirits S
- 132 Broecker Funeral Home \$
- 136 Salado Schools & Stadium C
- 139 Cedar Valley Baptist Church C
- Not Shown on the Shopping Map**
- Animal Medical \$
- Don Ringer \$
- Garlyn Shelton \$
- 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

# Amber Waves



by Dave T. Phipps

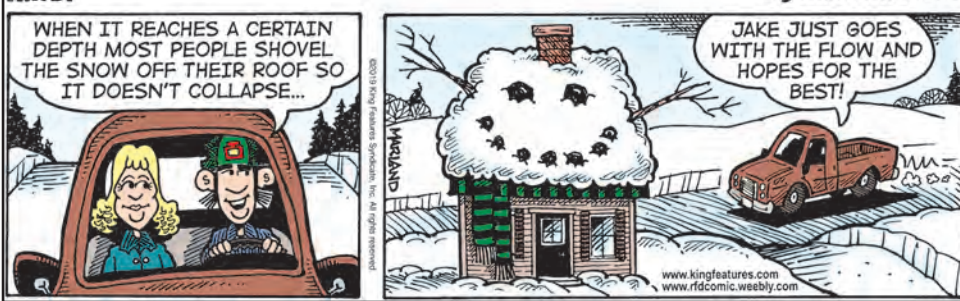
# Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



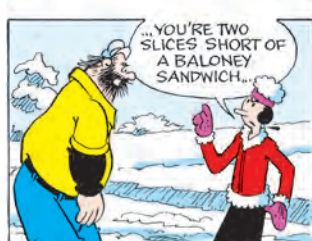
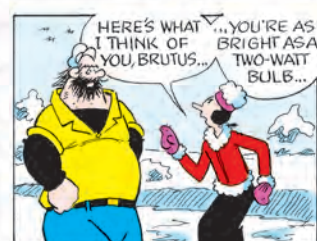
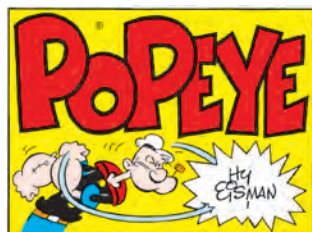
# R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



# The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



# Contract Bridge

## REDUCING THE LUCK FACTOR

North dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ J 9 7 4  
♥ K 5 2  
♦ K 9 8 4  
♣ A Q

**WEST**  
♠ Q 10 8  
♥ 10 9 7  
♦ J 6 3  
♣ J 10 9 3

**EAST**  
♠ —  
♥ A Q J 3  
♦ Q 10 7 5  
♣ 8 6 5 4 2

**SOUTH**  
♠ A K 6 5 3 2  
♥ 8 6 4  
♦ A 2  
♣ K 7

The bidding:  
North East South West  
1♦ Pass 1♠ Pass  
2♠ Pass 4♠

Opening lead — jack of clubs.

A competent declarer is expected to take full advantage of a favorable lie of the opponents' cards whenever that occurs and, equally important, to overcome an unfavorable lie of the cards whenever it is possible to do so.

Examine this deal where West leads a club against four spades. Declarer wins with dummy's queen and plays a trump to the ace, on which East shows

out. This is an unlucky development, since the odds heavily favor a 2-1 division of the suit.

Now saddled with an unexpected trump loser, South is in danger of going down in a contract that a moment earlier appeared certain. The outcome at this point seems to depend on whether East or West has the ace of hearts.

But it would be a mistake for declarer to stake the outcome solely on the location of the heart ace. To lead a heart to the king at this stage would place too much reliance on the element of luck and, in the actual deal, would prove fatal.

Instead, declarer should cash the king of spades and A-K of diamonds, then ruff a diamond. A club to the ace is followed by leading dummy's last diamond, but when East follows with the queen, South discards a heart instead of ruffing!

This simple but elegant move ends-plays East. He is forced to return a heart to dummy's king or concede a ruff-and-discard. Either way, South loses only three tricks.

By adopting this line of play, declarer gives himself an extra chance to make the contract. He does not know which opponent has four diamonds, or who has the ace of hearts, but it costs him nothing to try for the end-play before touching the heart suit.

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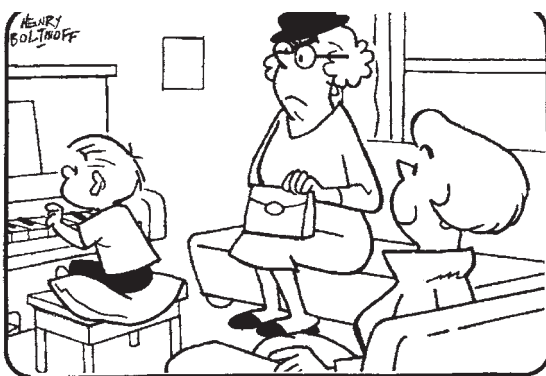
by Steve Becker

# HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

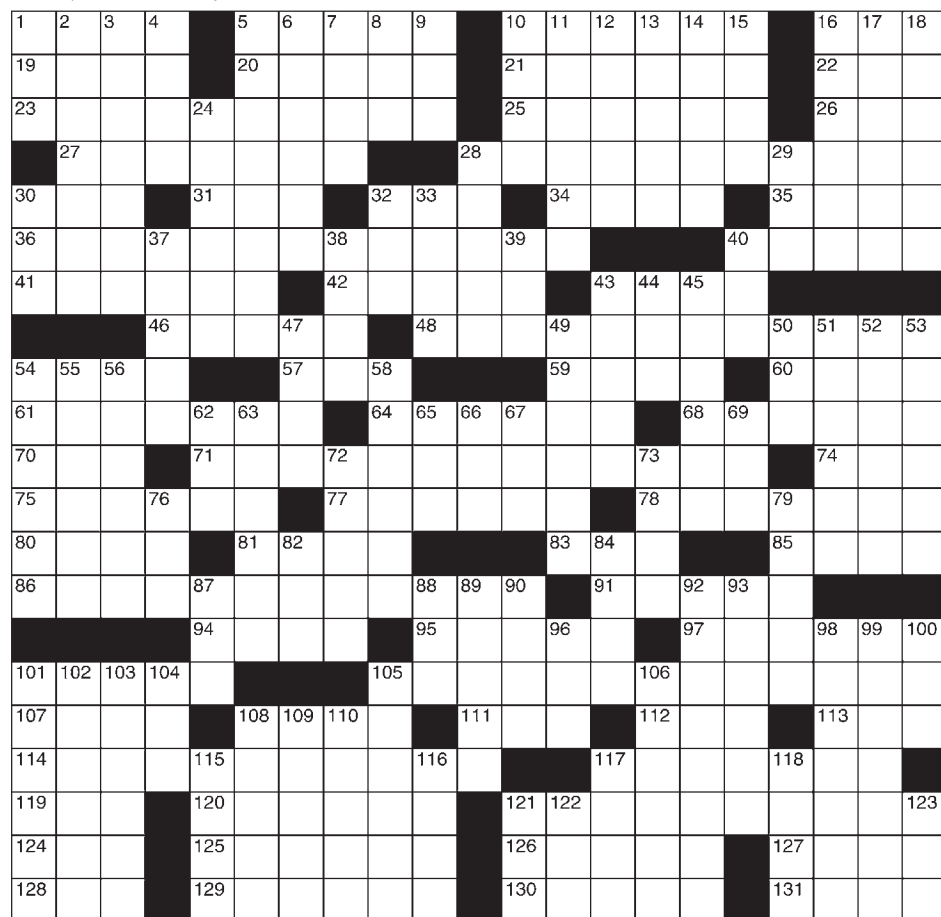


5. Window is lower. 6. Visitor's right hand is added to wall. 7. Mom's hair is longer. 8. Picture is added to wall.

# Super Crossword

## NAME IN THE CENTER

- ACROSS**
- 1 Symphony, e.g.
  - 5 Sing like Bing
  - 10 Pampers product
  - 16 Mensa stats
  - 19 Scheme
  - 20 Big artery
  - 21 Flowery
  - 22 Almond, e.g.
  - 23 31-day period honoring TV's Joy? [actor]
  - 25 Greak letters
  - 26 With 47-Down, Christmas evergreen
  - 27 Fall back into illness
  - 28 Place with a lot of refuse-disposal chambers? [swimmer]
  - 30 Old space station
  - 31 Slash
  - 32 Ovine noise
  - 34 And others, in a list
  - 35 Brutes of fantasy
  - 36 Smears gunk on rugged mountain ranges? [hockey player]
  - 40 Shows up
  - 41 Sequence in heredity
  - 42 Robber, e.g.
  - 43 Bat hangout
  - 46 Finals, e.g.
  - 48 Seven-figure income earned in a Nebraska city? [actor]
  - 54 Scheme
  - 57 DVD — 59 Little barks
  - 60 "The King —"
  - 61 Guilty feeling
  - 64 One doing penance
  - 68 Olympic speed skater
  - 70 Ethyl ender
  - 71 Prohibition of quick insights? [investor]
  - 74 Suffix with journal
  - 75 Item in a file cabinet
  - 77 Ideal conditions
  - 78 Imply
  - 80 Field of study
  - 81 Sikorsky of aviation
  - 83 Dir. from N.D. to La.
  - 85 "Not — goes by ..."
  - 86 Promise to marry a cute marsupial? [painter]
  - 91 Novelist Hermann
  - 94 Waikiki necklaces
  - 95 Rene of "Get Shorty"
  - 97 Poland's Lech
  - 101 Sounded like a kitten
  - 105 Pale-colored wall paneling for a room? [writer]
  - 107 Final, e.g.
  - 108 2004 Chevy debut
  - 111 Storm center
  - 112 Demolition stuff
  - 113 — cone (icy treat)
  - 114 Products applied to back-of-the-neck sunburns? [actor]
  - 117 City in north-central California
  - 119 Adding result
  - 120 "Finally!"
  - 121 "C" grade ... or what eight answers in this puzzle have?
  - 124 Draw upon
  - 125 Fix, as Fido
  - 126 Less-played half of a 45
  - 127 Morales of movies
  - 128 As stated in necklaces
  - 129 Lorne of "Bonanza"
  - 130 A bit off
  - 131 Old-time comic Ed
  - 28 Ricochet
  - 29 Animal park
  - 30 Soup enhancer
  - 32 Apiary insect
  - 33 Guthrie with a guitar
  - 37 Saying
  - 38 In that case
  - 39 "Mr. St. Nick" actress Ortiz
  - 40 Animator's frame
  - 43 — terrier
  - 44 Roadie's tote member
  - 47 See 26-Across
  - 49 Wofflike carnivores
  - 50 China's — Chou En- —
  - 51 "And how!" Jewett
  - 52 Ukrainian port city
  - 53 Fifteen times six
  - 54 Quick-to-build home
  - 55 Poe maiden
  - 56 Brunch fare
  - 58 Line of Apple computers
  - 62 Actress — Dawn Chong
  - 63 Elish sort
  - 65 "Tsk tsk!"
  - 66 Kabuki sash
  - 67 "Platoon" site, in brief
  - 69 Ovum
  - 72 Black crows
  - 73 "Point taken"
  - 76 Patriotic women's gp.
  - 79 Some Scots
  - 82 F followers
  - 84 Program
  - 87 Unoriginal
  - 88 Actress Meyers
  - 89 Swift sleds
  - 90 Pale-faced
  - 92 Hoodwinks
  - 93 South Carolina river
  - 96 Holy Mlle.
  - 98 Euphoria
  - 99 Desert of the southwest U.S.
  - 100 — Z (total)
  - 101 Botch the job
  - 102 Pretext
  - 103 Not as cold
  - 104 Big bird
  - 105 Relax
  - 106 Disagreeing
  - 108 Following
  - 109 Think a lot of
  - 110 Tickle pink
  - 115 Snake tooth
  - 116 To be, in old
  - 117 1,502, in old Rome
  - 118 Duck variety
  - 121 Exec's deg.
  - 122 Suffix with journal
  - 123 Cousin



# Trivia test

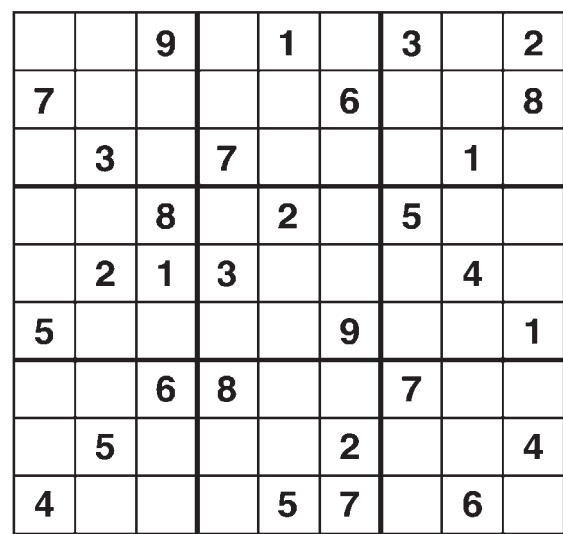
- by Fifi Rodriguez
1. GEOGRAPHY: What is the capital city of the Yukon territory in Canada?
  2. LANGUAGE: What is the ending to the proverb that begins, "All roads lead ...?"
  3. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Which country's flag is a red circle on a white background?
  4. SCIENCE: What gas with a distinctive odor is created by a lightning strike?
  5. GEOMETRY: How many sides does a decagon have?
  6. COMICS: What is the full name of Batman's butler?
  7. MOVIES: What was the name of Johnny Depp's character in the "Pirates of the Caribbean" movie?
  8. BIBLE: On what mountain did Moses receive the Ten Commandments?
  9. U.S. STATES: Which state's nickname is "The North Star State"?
  10. HISTORY: Who was the first spouse of a former U.S. president to be elected to public office?

- Answers
1. Whitehorse
  2. "... to Rome."
  3. Japan
  4. Ozone
  5. 10
  6. Alfred Pennyworth
  7. Capt. Jack Sparrow
  8. Mount Sinai
  9. Minnesota
  10. Hillary Clinton

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# Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

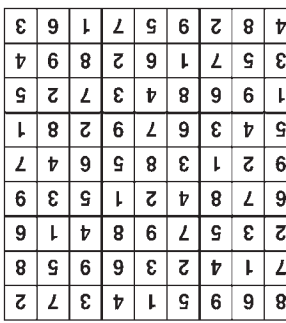


Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

## DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Answer



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Mottled Rock Rattlesnake

## Petite rattler comes in many colors

Most people associate the name rattlesnake with the large and infamous Western Diamond-backed Rattlesnake, completely unaware that we have six other species that call Texas home. One of the most variably colored and common, yet often unseen, rattlesnakes actually occurs in west Texas, and that is the Mottled Rock Rattlesnake.

The Mottled Rock Rattlesnake (*Crotalus lepidus lepidus*) occurs from the Guadalupe Mountains in southern New Mexico southward to the Chihuahuan Desert expanses of central Durango, Mexico. Its primary range lies south of our international borders as it occurs in at least five Mexican states. In Texas it can be observed from the southern portions of the Edwards Plateau (Real county) westward through the Hueco Mountains (east of the Hueco Basin). West of there it is replaced by its more banded subspecies, the Banded Rock Rattlesnake. As a denizen of the Edwards and Stockton Plateaus, as well as the “islands” of the Chihuahuan Desert, this diminutive species of pit viper prefers rocky areas such as canyons and dry arroyos of mesas and mountains to inhabit.

This is a relatively petite species of rattlesnake with adults averaging a total length of only twenty two inches. Sexual maturity is reached at about eighteen inches while the largest on record was a “colossal” thirty two inches.

Mottled Rock Rattlesnakes are a prime example of an animal adapting to the environment in which they dwell. The background coloration of specimens typically complement the colors of the rocks where they live, with animals from the eastern portions of the range (Edwards Plateau) exhibiting a bright gray coloration, while specimens from the central portions of their Texas range (Stockton Plateau) display a darker, almost tan coloration. And of course, individuals abiding in the “mountain islands” of the Chihuahuan Desert complement the darker igneous rocks by having a background coloration different shades of red, pink, or brown.

Regardless of the background coloration, there are anywhere from 13 to 24 primary bands that are typically a shade or two darker than the background hue. The spaces between the primary bands are usually mottled, this being where this serpent gets its common name. It also has a very distinctive facial stripe that slants from behind the eye



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to the corner of the mouth.

Like other rattlesnakes, the head of this species is distinctly wider than the neck, giving this animal the famous “diamond-shaped” head. The pupils are elliptical, and the rattle is proportionately small and is incapable of being heard except when in close proximity.

This species is typically crepuscular (active at dawn and dusk) during the spring and fall when night-time temperatures begin to fall and are nocturnal (active at night) during the summer months when the daytime temperatures exceed intolerable highs. It uses its venom to obtain its prey, which is primarily made up of lizards of appropriate sizes. Adults will also feed on small, nestling rodents. Interestingly enough, juveniles will occasionally add centipedes to their diet.

The process of winter brumation, (not hibernation as the animal does not sleep through the winter, but

rather just slows its heart rate and metabolism) generally takes place between late October to mid-March. Even in mid-winter, this species may make an appearance on exceptionally warm days to bask in the heating rays from the sun, particularly females that are carrying fertilized ova.

Breeding usually takes place in the fall, with the female holding on to its mates sperm over the winter until spring, when ovulation actually takes place. Rock rattlers are oviparous, which means they give birth to living young, and the six inch-long neonates (which number from 2 to 6) are typically born in late summer and early fall. Other than having a “button” on the end of the tail and a higher amount of mottling in between the primary bands, they are exact replicas of the adults and are fully capable of fending for themselves, including having fully functional fangs

and venom apparatus’.

As a rule, threatened Rock Rattlesnakes are a bit more high-strung than the more well-known Western Diamondback Rattler, and their venom is estimated to be one to one and one-half as times more potent. However, the necrotic properties of this species venom are much less than the Diamondbacks, and obviously the venom yield is as well. This does not make them any less dangerous, but because they typically live in remote areas that are generally inaccessible to the general public, they are not considered to be a serious threat to people or livestock.

When participating in outdoor activities, the risk of encountering a Rock Rattlesnake is remarkably slim, although it can and does happen occasionally. If such an encounter occurs, remember that this animal, despite its harmful capability, is truly more afraid of you than you are of it (to it, a person is nothing more than a large predator!) and it would prefer to be left alone. The best course of action is to walk, don’t run, in the opposite direction.

## Texas turkey hunters should see abundance this spring

With lots of mature toms across the Rio Grande turkey range, persistent Texas hunters should have a good shot at a long beard this spring. Wildlife biologists with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department say conditions are shaping up for a productive nesting season, which could also make for challenging hunting.

The spring season for Rio Grande turkey gets under way March 9-10 with a youth-only weekend in the South Zone, followed by a general season that runs March 16-April 28 and then culminates with a youth-only weekend May 4-5. In the North Zone, the youth-only weekend seasons are March 23-24 and May 18-19. The North Zone general season opens March 30 and runs through May 12. A special one-gobbler limit season runs April 1-30 in Bastrop, Caldwell, Colorado, Fayette, Jackson, Lavaca, Lee, Matagorda, Milam, and Wharton counties.

“Much of Texas is looking really green due to winter rains and a mild winter,” said Jason Hardin, TPWD turkey program leader. “Toms are already strutting and calling, and although hens are nowhere near ready yet, you expect to see some early nest-

ing behavior in the next few weeks.”

Early in the season, Hardin predicts toms will be “henned up” first thing in the morning, and hunters will have better luck later in the day. “Don’t be surprised when the gobblers hang up,” he said. “They are going to be spoiled to hens coming to them like nature intended. The best hunting will be during the middle to latter part of the season.”

Hardin recommends hunters rely on their decoys to do most of the work and minimize calling as late season gobblers will be wary of calls, especially in areas that receive moderate to high hunting pressure. He stressed that those hunters willing to put in the time and patience this spring should have an opportunity to harvest a boss tom.

“Texas has a much lower harvest rate compared to many southeastern states and our toms live to a ripe old age,” said Hardin. “There are not many jakes out there this year due to low recruitment associated with dry conditions these past two years so the odds are in your favor that what comes in should be a mature bird.”

New this season, hunters have the option of using

pre-charged pneumatics (air guns) as legal means for harvesting Rio Grande turkeys in Texas. Details on required specifications can be found online.

Eastern spring turkey hunting in the counties having an open season starts a week later this year on April 22 and runs through May 14. Hunters are required to report harvest of eastern turkeys electronically to TPWD within 24 hours of harvest. Reports can be made through the TPWD My Texas Hunt Harvest App or online from the TPWD turkey page at www.tpwd.texas.gov/turkey. The app is available for free download from Google Play or the App Store. Hunters will be issued a confirmation number upon completion of the reporting process. Hunters still have to tag harvested birds.

The harvest reporting app can also be used as a tool for voluntarily reporting and tracking harvests of other resident game species, including Rio Grande turkey. With My Texas Hunt Harvest, hunters can log harvested game animals and view harvest history, including dates and locations of every hunt.



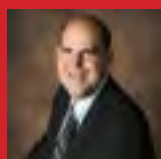
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(StatePoint) Whether you're remodeling for a fresh take on an old style or contemplating a new build, there are choices you can make that will definitely pay off, say experts.

To add value to your project, consider these recommended tips from Stephen Quick of Stephen Alexander Homes, builder of the 2018 Coastal Virginia Magazine Idea House.

Once an afterthought, lighting takes center stage in a home's design. "Consider your lighting needs at the start of the project. Wait too long and it can become expensive to move or add lights," advises Quick.

When planning lighting basics, think of the design as a whole: choose your decorative lighting fixtures at the same time you choose recessed. A large fixture throws a lot of light, so keep adjacent recessed lights to a

minimum.

Dimming capabilities are a must, and Quick recommends using "smart" dimmers like Hubbell's iDevice to customize the dimming range. The control offered by these dimmers means you can use larger statement lighting pieces with many bulbs to create amazing, but not overwhelming, spaces.

Quick tends to use lighting with a classic foundation, but loves to play with the eclectic. Adding a bold piece that is "whimsical" in an unexpected area offers a surprising focal point, he says.

"We've relied on Progress Lighting for twenty years," says Quick. "Especially in the past few years, as they've taken giant leaps in design."

Stephen Alexander Homes incorporate "life-style focus" open floor

plans as their signature look. Now, they are pioneering a new trend in home culinary spaces. Pantries are re-imagined to not only be practical, but a spot to display the homeowner's hobbies and interests. Think useful collectibles like olive oils, wine or beer. Lighting this room properly is a must, as the light needs to be functional, yet have an added element of drama to showcase the hobby.

Beyond mere dollars and cents, make style choices based on the manufacturer rather than the component. As a builder, Quick starts with a "basket" of necessary elements, but it's how they are applied that ultimately makes the design special.

Consider engaging an interior designer. Even with a smaller remodel budget, hiring an expert who knows which brands give you the

most bang for your buck is worth their fee. You're more likely to end up with the look you want at a price that is worth the investment.

Paint is one of the biggest design tools at your disposal. "A new coat of paint sets the tone for everything. Choosing the perfect colors can be hard, but paint companies are on target with the latest trends within the color spectrum, adding colors that hit the mark to give your spaces a fresh look," says Quick.

And if you don't like the color once it's on the walls? "Don't be afraid to change it. Paint is not expensive. It's more expensive to keep a look you don't like."

For design ideas, visit [progresslighting.com/](http://progresslighting.com/) styles.

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