



## Hearing on CUP for golf course tonight

Salado aldermen will conduct a public hearing 6:30 p.m. March 21 to consider issuing a Conditional Use Permit to MCCC, LLC for the operation of a golf course within the property currently zoned Single Family Residential.

The Planning and Zoning Commission conducted a public hearing on the proposed Conditional Use Permit on Marh 19.

On Feb. 5, the Village of Salado withdrew its plans to rezone the Mill Creek Country Club after it received an application for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to operate the golf course on the property that is currently zoned Single Family Residential. The Village received the application for the CUP hours

before an executive session meeting with its village attorney to discuss the rezoning proposal.

The Zoning Map currently designates the golf course property as Single Family Residential, within which golf course is a land use that is permitted by Conditional Use Permit.

Discussion of the zoning designations came up last year when the Village of Salado was meeting with ownership group of Mill Creek Country Club to consider the possible purchase of the golf course by the Village of Salado.

Following that, Mill Creek withdrew from any further discussions with the Village about the purchase of the golf course.

## Gault site lecture, film set March 23

The Bell County Museum presents Dr. Clark Wernecke, Director of the Gault School of Archaeological Research, for part-two of the 2019 Spring Lecture Series, on March 23.

Following Dr. Wernecke's presentation on the Gault Site, the museum will show "Exploring the World's Last Frontier: The Peopling of the Americas," a new film developed by the Gault team. Author Mary Black will sign copies of newly released *Secrets in the Dirt: Uncovering the Ancient People of Gault* after the film.

The event takes place 6 p.m. March 23 at the Bell County Museum. The Spring Lecture Series is done in partnership with Salado Museum and College Park and Salado Institute of Humanities.

"Our children are taught American history of the last 200 years and Texas history since 1836, but the first Texans were here at least 16,000 years ago. The Gault Archaeological Site is one of the most important resources helping us to understand the earliest peoples in Texas and, by extension, in the



Dr. Clark Wernecke

Western Hemisphere," said Dr. Wernecke.

The Gault School is a center for innovative, interdisciplinary research archaeology and education focusing on the earliest peoples in the western hemisphere and their cultural antecedents. It maintains and protects properties in Bell and Williamson Counties on which the Gault Archaeological Site is located.

"The Gault Site has been a fantastic partner of Bell County Museum for years," said museum director Coleman Hampton. "We are excited to offer this program free to the public, so everyone may enjoy learning about pre-history in Bell County," he continued.

## Village names new police chief, to start job April 1

The Village of Salado has named Pat Boone as the new Chief of Police for the Salado Police Department. The hiring of Boone was announced last week by Village Administrator Don Ferguson.

"The Village is very fortunate to have the opportunity to hire a person with the background and experience that Mr. Boone brings," Village Administrator Ferguson said. "He was chosen from a competitive field of more than thirty applicants."

Currently, Boone is the Director of the Central Texas College Police Academy, a position he has held since 2013. Prior to assuming his position with the College, he spent 17 years with the Killeen Police Department



Pat Boone

where he rose to the rank of Lieutenant. In his years with the Killeen Police Department, Boone worked as a Patrol Officer, Shift Sergeant, Polygraph Examiner, Detective, SWAT Team Leader, and Supervisor of the Organized Crime Unit.



Joan Williams is shown with her old neighbors Mary and Steve Grohosky who found the photo of Joan's younger brother Larry Shewfelt. The photo was lost in the flood of 2010 when Williams lived at 2212 Bluff Circle. It found its way back home after Salado Village Voice ran the photo last week. Salado Village Voice got the neighbors back together for a photo. (PHOTO BY MARILYN FLEISCHER)

## Photo finds home

It didn't take long. The photo *Salado Village Voice* ran last week found its home the same day the newspaper hit the stands.

Joan Williams lived at 2212 Bluff Circle, across the street from Steve and Mary Grohosky. Her house flooded as well. The photo is of her brother Larry Shewfelt, who was about four years old in the photo. It was taken the same day that Joan had her confirmation picture taken in Los Angeles, their hometown.

She told *Salado Village Voice* that she was stunned to see the childhood photo of her brother on the front page and excited to find it again and take it home.

## Kelley to present ideas on Texas Hall of Fame to BoA

Troy Kelley will present to aldermen 6:30 p.m. March 21 his plans for the development of the Texas Hall of Fame in Salado.

"The THOF is a unique idea for Texas, and its time has come," Kelley states. "A survey of all of the existing Halls of Fame in the United States indicated that each has specialized in honoring one particular profession (for example, football, baseball, or the Cowboy Hall of Fame). Some associations also honor various contributions of individuals by placement of portraits of their members in various halls. The THOF will honor all Texans."

Kelley says that the Texas Hall of Fame will complement and promote the other Halls of Fame, not compete with them.

It will use virtual reality and mixed reality in its exhibits and displays, he adds. Examples of interactive exhibits would include visitors "virtually fighting at the Alamo standing next to Davy Crockett or interacting with Sam Houston as he gives his famous speech against seceding from the Union during the Civil War or sitting at a console at Houston Control as a rocket launches into space."

Kelley said he wants to

establish a Founders Council "to bring the Hall of Fame to fruition." After that, a board of directors will be formed to oversee the operations.

Kelley envisions the building itself designed as the five-pointed star of Texas with each of the five points dedicated to various themes of history, technology, politics, sports and business. In the center, an atrium garden will have landscape plants from all of the regions of Texas.

The proposed design of the roof calls for construction using solar power in such a way that, when viewed at night from the air

or some distance away, LED lights will glow from within to create a very impressive image.

Two large 60 foot flag poles will have the United States flag and the Texas flag flying from them.

Kelley said that he thinks a site of five to six acres will be required to locate the Texas Hall of Fame.

The approximate size of the building is 21,120 sf., parking area 10,000 sf., and running path 6,000 sf.

He estimates that between 100,000 and 500,000 people will visit the Texas Hall of Fame each year.

## New keepsake book, Maiden Mermaid, launches March 29

Sheri Wall and Troy Kelley will launch an Indiegogo crowdfunding campaign on International Mermaid Day (March 29) to fund the production of a new keepsake book about Sirena, written in rhyming text by Wall and illustrated in watercolors by Ilona Stuijt.

"The legend of Sirena and the beautiful backstory behind the legend are so valuable to the rich history of Salado," Wall said. "We want this book to be cherished by Saladoans, mermaid enthusiasts, and children everywhere."

Sheri Wall is a wife, mom, and lifelong resident of Central Texas. As an award-winning children's book author, she established her brand, A Matter of Rhyme, which celebrates rhyming and repetitive verse as a fun, essential learning tools. When Troy Kelley approached Sheri with the idea of writing the story behind his Sirena the Mermaid sculpture, she couldn't stop working until it was complete. In addition to writing, Sheri enjoys cooking, eating, decorating, bargain hunting, and being active.



Maiden Mermaid features the rhymes of Sheri Wall and the illustrations by Ilona Stuijt.

See more of Sheri's works at [amatterofrhyme.com](http://amatterofrhyme.com) where you can find the launch to pre-order the book.

A portion of book pre-sales will benefit the Sirena Fest through Variety of the Children's Charity of Texas.

## SB 282 passes state Senate, law would keep TXDOT fines local

Senator Dawn Buckingham announced March 18 that Senate Bill 282, known as the Salado Bill, passed unanimously in the Texas Senate.

State Rep. Brad Buckley sponsored the companion House version of the bill. It is currently before the transportation committee in the House.

"This legislation is designed to help communities financially who have

been negatively impacted by state transportation projects that get bogged down or are not completed on time, and where fines have been assessed by the Texas Department of Transportation," Sen. Buckingham stated.

"In Senate District 24 this happened shortly after I was sworn into the Senate which had a devastating impact on the local economy and several Salado businesses," Sen. Buckingham said.

When she filed the bill, Sen. Buckingham stated, "the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) should be prohibited from redistributing penalties from project delays to unrelated projects or transportation districts elsewhere in Texas."

Senate Bill 282 would require TXDOT to provide relief to communities impacted by project delays and allocate any liquidated dam-

ages received to additional projects in the department district where the delay was located.

Sen. Buckingham filed the same legislation in 2017. It passed the Senate but was not issued out of the House.

"I look forward to working with Representative Brad Buckley, who has filed this bill in the House," Buckingham stated, "to ensure it makes its way to Governor Greg Abbott and is enacted into law."



# Life in it still, S&P 500 bouncing back but still below high of last fall

The Markets

Our dear and very old friend, the S&P 500 Stock Index (SPX) came back to life in the week ending March 15, rising 2.89 percent to close at 2822.48. That rise puts the index up a whopping 12.59 percent year-to-date and boosted it 2.56 percent higher than it was a year ago. Before you get too excited though, it is still 3.7 percent lower than it was at the end of September. Driving this rise, there appears to have been a market shift from the higher-flying sectors of the last three years to investors looking for undervalued stocks.

The 10-year U.S. Treasury note yield dropped to 2.6 percent. The 10-year yield is now down about 20 percent from the 3.25 percent yield it had five months ago. The pronounced sag in the yield curve between two and five years worsened with the five-year note yield declining to about the same as the Fed short-term rate. Oil (WTI) continued its steady rise ending the week at \$58.38, up 4.19 percent for the week and up over 25 percent year-to-date, pushing gasoline prices ever higher. The OPEC output-cut to raise oil prices seems to be working.

The Economy

In a warning sign that was reflected in the Treasury yield curve, output at U.S. factories fell 0.4 percent in February after falling 0.5 percent in January. A one-month decline could be written off as just "noise" but two consecutive months, that together amount to a nearly 1 percent drop, is worthy of attention. Despite the reduced output numbers, most manufacturers are reporting that things appear to be leveling off and proceeding at a slower pace than last year but do not see an immediate threat of a recession. The comments from manufacturers repeated the same themes we have seen since growth

## Market & Economic Update

By Jeffrey W. McClure



started slowing last year, the trade war, both actual and threatened, and slowing global growth are taking a bite out of U.S. production.

Part of the issue we are facing in the national economy is that import prices are now down 1.3 percent from a year ago when the tariffs were imposed, while export prices are up 0.3 percent. Those don't sound like big numbers, but the 1.6 percent differential is often a deal-killer and has resulted in our imports being at a record high even as exports have declined. Though manufacturing numbers are sliding, consumer confidence and happiness have risen this year as we see lower prices in the stores on imported goods.

In January retail sales were 2.3 percent above those of a year ago. If we exclude autos and gasoline, retail sales rose 3.7 percent in January. That great January growth has largely offset the bad sales in the fourth quarter of last year and the average growth in retail sales, about 70 percent of our economy, is now up an average of 0.1 percent for the past four months. Fortunately, the American economy is primarily driven by service-related growth and the non-manufacturing side of our economy grew in February for the 109th consecutive month and is up 3 percent from last year.

There are a lot of numbers there and, frankly, they have economists (and us) more than a little confused. We see signs of potential economic expansion in services and retail while at the same time see warning signals in manufacturing and exports that things are slow-

ing down. We have seen this before though. When an economy is at a peak, with nearly full employment, the roads jammed, and retail business humming, that has meant we are at a crossroad. What follows next can be a second wind or a slowdown. All we can do is watch and see. Our gut feeling is that the end or escalation of the trade war may be the key.

In a very practical warning, the SEC last week charged a Dallas-Fort Worth radio show host, Neil "Doc" Gallagher, the self-styled "Money Doctor" with running a \$20 million-dollar investment fraud, mainly directed at retired Christians. His show and the alleged Ponzi scheme ran from 2014 until January of this year and included claims that money would be invested in a "Diversified Growth and Income Strategy Account" and provide a "guaranteed, risk-free" return of 5 percent to 8 percent per year. He apparently instead used new money to pay earlier investors and spent the difference. The terms "guaranteed" and "risk-free", when associated with a yield higher than a bank certificate of deposit or short-term Treasury security, are red flags that commonly mean, "Stand by to lose your money here." Typically, the prime recruiters for frauds like this one is alleged to be the earlier investors who have been getting a steady income stream for several years and talk their friends into signing up. They often get hurt too as the bankruptcy trustee "claws back" all the money the earlier investors received.

# Construction begins on all four projects approved by voters

Construction has begun on the following four projects:

1. Improvements at the elementary school on Thomas Arnold Road, including a hallway between the Kindergarten/1st grade building and the 2nd grade building, security fencing, and a security vestibule in the 3rd grade through 6th grade building. This project is scheduled for completion this August (2019).

2. Improvements at the football/soccer/track stadium on Thomas Arnold Road, including additional seating, renovations to the restrooms, renovations to the concession stand, and an artificial turf field. This project is scheduled for completion this August (2019). The football/soccer/track stadium will be closed starting this week because of the construction.

3. A new baseball and softball complex built on Williams Road. This project is scheduled for comple-

## Superintendent's Corner

by Dr. Michael Novotny



tion next January (2020).

4. A new middle school built on Williams

Road. This project is scheduled for completion next August (2020).



This is a picture of the construction at the elementary school on Thomas Arnold Road.



This is a picture of the future site of the new middle school and the new baseball and softball complex on Williams Road. Our current high school is in the background.

# Yes, There's a Crisis at the Border with Mexico

We interrupt the talk of the president "manufacturing" a crisis at the border with this hair-raising report about the crisis at the border.

Alarming new numbers about border apprehensions from U.S. Customs and Border Protection should puncture the lazy conventional wisdom about the border being under control, except in the lurid imagination of President Donald Trump. More than 76,000 migrants were apprehended crossing the southern border last month, the highest February in more than 10 years and the highest month of the Trump administration. The number of apprehensions tops any month during the 2014 border surge under President Barack Obama, which no one had a problem calling a crisis at the time.

Yes, there were more overall apprehensions in the 2000s. But it was a different population, made up overwhelmingly of adult males from Mexico who might be apprehended trying to cross multiple times and were reliably returned home when they were caught. Now, we are apprehending people but not returning them.

Migrants are coming in greater numbers from Central American countries instead of Mexico, and are primarily families and

## Rich Lowry



children. In an astonishing shift, in 2012, 10 percent of apprehended migrants were families and children; in recent months, it's been 61 percent.

The rules for dealing with migrants from noncontiguous countries and with family units make it all but impossible to swiftly return or detain them, not to mention that our physical facilities were built with single adults in mind.

There is no mechanism to return these migrants home, to hold them after they cross the border, or to remove them once they are in the interior. And word has gotten out. There's a reason that the subset of migrants that we can't stop from getting into the country is growing so rapidly. Needless to say, a spiraling border crisis is maddening for a president committed to controlling the border, which is why we've seen such frenetic activity from Trump. His rhetoric may be over the top, but the impulse to get a handle on this is absolutely correct.

First, there's the question of basic sovereignty. If

we are going to welcome a large number of migrants from three or four foreign countries, we should make that decision as a conscious policy, rather than slip-sliding into it unawares.

Then there's the matter of assimilation and legality. Poorly educated immigrants, like the ones coming from Central America, have the hardest time assimilating, and they will lack legal status on top of it.

Finally, there's the humanitarian question. Migrant families show up needing medical attention that we aren't well-prepared to provide. We'd be much better positioned to tend to the migrants under our care if the numbers weren't overwhelming.

But we are at a stalemate. The New York Times editorialized the other day that Trump declared "that there's a crisis at the border, contrary to all evidence." Then, the paper ran a news story headlined, "Border at 'Breaking Point' as More than 76,000 Migrants Cross in a Month."

Both of those pieces can't be right. There's manufacturing a crisis, then there's ignoring one for fear of conceding anything to Trump.

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# FORUM

## Property Taxes - The Texas-Sized Problem

By JAMES DICKEY  
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For the last two decades, employers and entrepreneurs have fled California, Illinois, New Jersey, New York, and other high-tax states to seek the American dream in Texas. And we're happy to welcome them and the career opportunities they create.

But one challenge to the Texas economy seriously risks our growth and threatens to put the Lone Star State into the same category as these other states – rapidly escalating property taxes.

At our 2018 Republican Party of Texas convention, thousands of delegates from across the state adopted a legislative priority calling for relief from these skyrocketing taxes. Our Republican legislators have done a tremendous job on legislation such as S.B. 2/H.B. 2 which seek to put a 2.5% cap on the property tax rate. H.B. 3, in addition to proposing sweeping school finance reform, will provide not just relief from future taxes but a tax cut, right now, for Texas families. These

are meaningful and important steps towards ensuring Texans aren't taxed out of their homes, and important steps toward replacing financing of the school maintenance and operations costs with a state consumption tax instead of property tax.

Moving away from property taxes towards a consumption tax is a realistic way to provide meaningful relief for hard working taxpayers while enabling the state to pay a higher share of public education at the same time. Republican legislators have already begun to move the state in this positive direction. The important thing is that – when this legislative session ends – Texans see real action to both reduce property taxes and limit the rate of growth in the future.

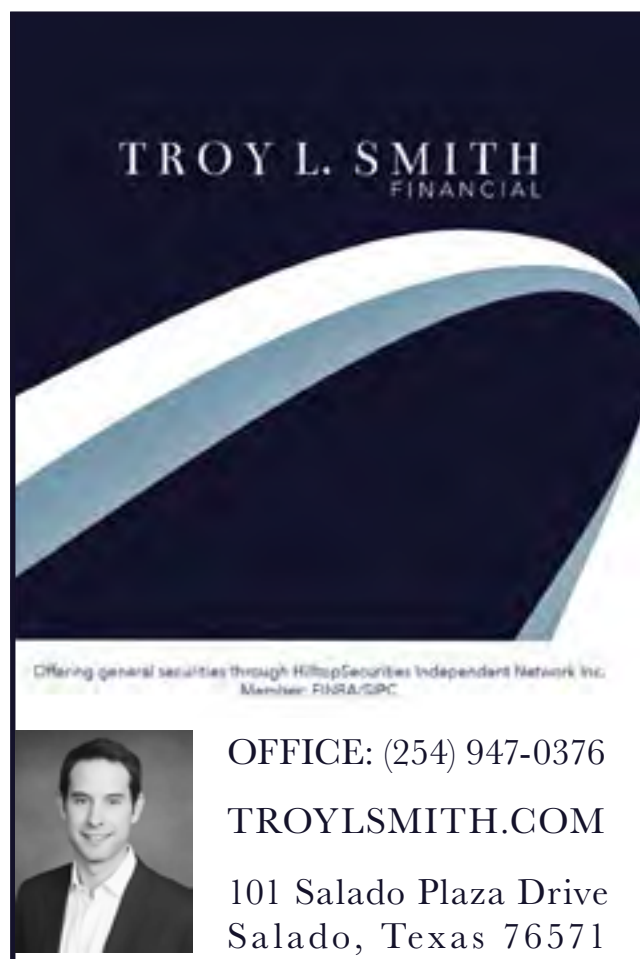
Meanwhile, the Democrats and various school administrator lobby groups are trying to pull a bait-and-switch on Texas property taxpayers. Texas House Democrats recently released a school finance plan that offers no tax relief to employers. That's right, the job creators that have fueled the economy and brought a record

number of new career opportunities to Texans get no relief from Texas Democrats. To make matters worse, the Democrat plan involves \$14.5 billion in new spending, with no suggestion on how to pay for it. If you're curious to find out how that works in practice – just ask someone from Detroit or Chicago. The school lobby groups are equally disingenuous. They frequently say that the solution to spiraling property taxes is for the state to pay a larger share of public school costs. But when you read the bills these organizations support, they involve a lot of new spending with either no or token property tax relief.

Taxpayers have called upon both Republicans and Democrats to find a solution to this issue. That is why both the Republican and Democrat platforms include true property tax relief. We encourage our elected officials to work toward meaningful change for the hardworking taxpayers of Texas.

Republican leadership

and responsible policies have made our state the economic powerhouse it is. Texans should be encouraged by the progress that is being made and the Republican Party of Texas, our leadership and our activists, look forward to working with our elected leaders towards meaningful property tax relief.”  
- James Dickey is Chairman of the Republican Party of Texas.



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## 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.



Former Army Ranger Nate Self speaks on faith and leadership

Hear more of Nate's amazing story as an outstanding professional and 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 today's modern world.

The breakfast buffet will be from Mexicano Grill for \$15 at the door.

## Newcomers Club Bell County meetings for April

Are you new to Bell County Area and looking for fun activities with women you can connect with, then come check out Newcomers Club.

Newcomers Club is a group of vibrant and diverse women who have a passion to help ladies new to the area get acquainted.

Week of April 1-6:  
April 1:  
Chat N Canasta 11:30-2:30pm  
Golf League  
April 3:

Luncheon at Wildflower Country Club 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Registration deadline is March 27. Cost is \$16.

Popcorn Bridge 1-4 p.m. April 5  
Trailblazers at 9:30am

Week of April 7-13  
April 8:  
Bookworms 2-4 p.m.  
Golf League

April 9  
Tuesday Canasta, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

April 10:  
Game Day 11 a.m.

April 12:  
TGIF Lunch 11:30 a.m.

April 13:  
Couples Night Out 5 p.m.

Week of April 14-20  
April 15:  
Monday Canasta 11:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

April 16:  
Bunco 1:30 p.m.  
Snack Time Mah Jong, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

April 17:  
Popcorn Bridge, 1-4 p.m.

April 18:  
Casual Coffee 10:30 a.m.-12 noon.

Week of April 21-27:  
April 22:  
Golf League

April 23:  
Valentine Bridge 12:30-3:30 pm

April 24: Fun Lunch 11 a.m.  
Game Day 11 a.m.

April 26:  
Coffee & Canasta 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

April 29: Golf League

For questions regarding activities email Jessica Gambill at jessiemay1974@gmail.com or visit the website at www.bellcountynewcomers.com

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

**SUNDAY**  
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9:45 a.m. Bible Study  
11 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service

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## Steele Family and Andy Andersen named honorary family and chair of 19th Alzheimer's Texas Bell County Walk

Belton, TX - The 19th Annual Bell County Alzheimer's Texas Walk will be held at Confederate Park on Oct. 19. This event raises funds for Alzheimer's support and education and is instrumental in making Texas a leader in Alzheimer's research. The Steele Family will serve as the Honorary Family and Chief Meteorologist at KCEN, Andy Andersen as the Honorary Chair of this event because, through their journeys with Alzheimer's, they've realized the impact they can have on the community.

Jessica Steele and her team, Eleanor's Red Show Crew, walk in honor of Eleanor Homan, beloved mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. Eleanor loved her favorite pair of red shoes, so it seemed fitting to Jessica to honor Eleanor through the team's name. "You can't walk very far without a good pair of shoes," says Jessica Steele,

as she explains the reasoning behind the name. The family is humbled to be selected as the Honorary Family and thanks Alzheimer's Texas as well as anyone who has ever helped to "eradicate this disease."

Their family is not alone. Over 5 million Americans live with Alzheimer's disease, and here in Texas alone, over 1.3 million people care for a loved one with some type of dementia. The progressive neurological illness can last for over 10 years and can be very financially, emotionally, and physically challenging for caregivers.

Honorary Chair, Andy Andersen hopes for "a cure that ends this devastating disease," but until then he remains a supporter. Andy has been supporting Alzheimer's Texas since it began, and likes knowing "what we raise stays in our community to fight Alzheimer's."

Alzheimer's Texas, a local nonprofit that's served Central Texas for over 37 years, provides essential services like support groups, care consultations, a respite care network, education programs, and a 24-hour helpline to help families cope with these challenges. The Alzheimer's Texas Walk is their annual fundraiser, and 100% of the proceeds from this event will remain in Central Texas to meet the needs of our local communities.

"We are, and always have been, deeply committed to providing families in Central Texas with compassionate services that are relevant to their needs," says Christian Wells, President of Alzheimer's Texas. "When they walk with us this Fall, teams know that they are supporting the services they value and that support comes with a greater level of transparency and accountability."

The Alzheimer's Texas Walk serves another important purpose, which is to raise awareness of Alzheimer's and other dementias and to break down the stigma surrounding these increasingly common illnesses. The Alzheimer's Texas Walk creates a community around this issue, a place for people to come together to celebrate loved ones affected by dementia, and to commemorate the many ways lives can be changed by this illness.

Registration is now open for the 19th Annual Bell Co. Alzheimer's Texas Walk, which will be held at Confederate Park in Belton on Oct. 19. To learn more about the event and how to get involved, visit www.txalz.org/walk, or call (512) 241-0420. Volunteer and corporate sponsorship opportunities are also available.

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# Community Life

APRIL 27

## Faith based Healing Outreach launches at Salado Civic Center

A Faith Based Healing Outreach launches at the Salado Civic Center, Saturday, April 27. Sponsored by The First Church, Harker Heights, this community service initiative focuses on those who suffer from the wounds of life: Relationally, Spiritually, Physically, Mentally, Emotionally. Three Christian Ministers who specialize in dealing with those suffering from grief, difficult emotions, relationship issues, spiritual wounds, and mental struggles, will be offering Interactive Bible Discussion, Prayer, Divorce Care and

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April 27, May 4: Relationship Healing; May 11 and 18: Physical Healing;

May 25 and June 1: Mental Healing; June 8 and 15: Emotional Healing;

June 22 and 29: Spiritual Healing. Interactive Bible Discussion led by Rev. Brott Divorce Care led by Rev. Salgado Pastoral Care and Prayer: Led by Rev. Marshall

The Schedule is every Saturday from April 27 thru June 29:

5-6 p.m. – Interactive Bible Discussion and Prayer

6- 6:30 p.m. – Snacks and Fellowship  
6:30 to 7:30 p.m. – Divorce Care

Participants can attend any or all 3 forums – Pastoral Care is available the entire time.

For more information, contact: Face Book Message: @HealingConnection.Salado or e-mail: healingconnection85@gmail.com

## Village Artist workshop March 23 led by Clare Aaron

Clare Aaron will lead a texture painting workshop March 23 at the Village Art Center on the grounds of the Salado Civic Center.

The day-long workshop is entitled "Texture Painting: for Bluebonnets & Other Foliage using Oils or Acrylics. It is \$75 for Salado Village Artists members and \$95 for non-members.

Reservations are necessary and can be made by calling Sheron Dreissner at 254-780-9978 or emailing sherondreissner@hotmail.com.

Clare Aaron is a ninth generation Texas. This heritage is reflected in her work. She holds a Texas teaching certificate in art. She says that her art is influenced by Monet, Van Gogh and Pissarro.

She studies their sense of light and atmosphere, their techniques and compositions as well as their color palettes.

Aaron has had her art displayed in solo and juried exhibitions throughout Texas.

## Bell County Historical Commission meets March 25

The Bell County Historical Commission will conduct a business meeting, 7 p.m., March 25, in the first-floor courtroom at the County Courthouse in downtown Belton.

The group, currently made up of 16 members, works to preserve and promote the county's historical heritage in accordance with Texas state laws and under the direction of the Bell County Commissioners Court. Projects set for 2019 include assisting in obtaining historical designation for various county cemeteries, locating little-known cemeteries, compiling de-

tailed directions to those hard-to-locate cemeteries, and being available to assist residents and visitors with directions to county facilities, cemeteries and other places of interest. The BCHC also pairs with other organizations on historical projects.

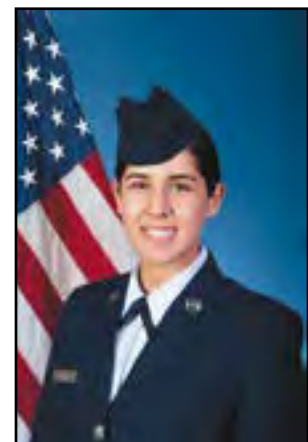
Persons interested in more information or becoming a member many contact the BCHC office on the first floor of the courthouse in Belton. The office is staffed by volunteers most days Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. - noon. The telephone number for the office is 254-933-5917.

## Airman Danielle L. Ramos graduates basic military training

U.S. Air Force Airman Danielle L. Ramos 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, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

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



Airman Danielle L. Ramos

Natalie D. Ramos of Katy, Texas.

She is a 2017 graduate of Holland High School, Holland, Texas.

## Airman Jesse T. Rubianes graduates basic training

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Rubianes is the son of Gary and Luz E. Rubianes and brother of Gary X. Rubianes of Salado, Texas.

He is a 2016 graduate of Salado High School, Salado, Texas.

## Obituaries



### JOHN KELLER

John Keller, 61, March 11, 2019 at his favorite spot, fish camp, in Riviera, Texas.

John was born on April 25, 1956 to Nolan and Joyce Keller in Key West, Florida.

He coached at Saint Stephens School in Austin, Texas. He was a rancher.

He was preceded in death by his father and mother, brother, James Keller.

He is survived by his wife Kathy Keller, his son Kevin and Robin Keller, daughter Kasey Smith, and his four grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister Brenda Spiker, several nieces and nephews, and his mother in law, Helen Hays.

Services were held on March 15 at First Baptist Church.

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

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# Analysis: Asking Texas voters to swap higher sales taxes for property tax cuts

By ROSS RAMSEY  
TEXAS TRIBUNE

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In the rush of legisla-

tion filed before last week's deadline, you wouldn't be the only person who missed the measure proposing a 6.26 percent state sales tax rate. No reason you should have seen it or made note of it.

For one thing, it's a teeny tax increase, at least on paper — at least for now. The state's current sales tax rate is 6.25 percent, and local governments can add two cents on top of that rate. The increase to 6.26 percent is a placeholder in a proposed constitutional amendment — a place to put the real number when it's available.

That number is in the possession of House Public Education Committee Chair Dan Huberty, R-Houston, who is talking to legislators about raising the state sales tax by a penny, to 7.25 percent (the new tax rate he's waiting to propose), and pouring the money into public education. It wouldn't be for new spending, but it would increase state spending enough to significantly lower local property taxes — the driving political force behind the state's current legislative push for school finance reform.

A little change in your local property taxes, translated into statewide finance, takes a tremendous amount of money. But a 1-cent rate increase in sales taxes would produce a lot of money. The state collected \$31.94 billion from sales taxes in the 2018 fiscal year, according to the Texas comptroller of public accounts; at that level of taxable sales, a 1-cent increase in the rate would bring in an extra \$5.1 billion.

Local school districts, fueled by the local property taxes Texas voters hate

so much, spent about \$14.7 billion more than the state on public education in fiscal year 2018, according to the comptroller. The \$5.1 billion from a 1-cent sales tax increase wouldn't be enough to level that out, but it would sure make a dent.

Citing the comptroller's numbers, one more time: The state currently covers 36 percent of the cost of public education, and the locals cover the other 64 percent; throwing \$5.1 billion into the state column and lowering the local spending by the same amount would bring those closer to balance: about 46 percent state and 54 percent local.

That's also enough — and here is where legislators might find the political payoff, if there is one — to finance a property tax cut that's visible to homeowners. Huberty's introductory House Bill 3 — commonly called the school finance bill — would cut property taxes by about \$100 for the owner of a home with a taxable value of \$250,000, according to the author and others.

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He can do that with money that's already in the state's hands. His proposed tax swap would increase the size of the property tax cut and also provide money for public education in future years.

His proposed constitutional amendment would raise your sales taxes, but that same sample homeowner would get almost \$500 in property tax cuts — in addition to the \$100 in property tax cuts in the current school finance bill.

If the sales tax play is the one legislators choose, the issue will be in voters'

control before the end of the year, in ballot language something like this: "The constitutional amendment to provide funding for the cost of maintaining and operating the public school system and to reduce school district ad valorem tax rates through an increase in the state sales and use tax rate."

That's Huberty's opening in House Joint Resolution 3, which would make it to Texas voters' ballots if it's backed with a two-thirds vote in both legislative chambers. The Senate is working to pass its legislation forcing automatic voter referenda on local property tax revenue increases; the trigger is at 2.5 percent for now; speaking to the NE Tarrant Tea Party this week, Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick predicted the final number will be between 2.5 percent and 4 percent.

Wherever that limit lands, however, it will not mean a tax cut — which means it's not the kind of property tax legislation voters are telling their politicians they want.

A tax cut is the thing, the prompt to action for this Legislature. Huberty and others are now saying, right out loud and in public, that school finance wouldn't be taking place this year if politicians and legislators were not so motivated by property taxpayers. Their line is that you can't get school finance reform without property tax reform.

And you don't really have property tax relief if all you do is limit how much more expensive government will become in the future. That's why conservative lawmakers are pressing for lower property taxes — even if it means they have to raise other taxes to get there.

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Salado Masonic Lodge #296 convened at Park Place Manor nursing center to present Alfred Charles "Bud" Smith with a 40-Year pin and certificate from the Lodge. District Deputy Grand Master Art Wadford, Jr. and Senior Warden Brian Arnett (acting as Worshipful Master for the Lodge in his absence) presented the award to Brother Smith on behalf of the Lodge. Brother Smith was initiated as an Entered Apprentice on April 12, 1979, passed to the degree of Fellowcraft on June 21, 1979 and raised to the degree of Master Mason on July 31, 1979. He joined the Salado Lodge November 2, 1987. Several brothers of Salado Lodge were on hand for the presentation to their Brother.

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# Schools & Sports

B Section 4 Pages Covering Salado students from Thomas Arnold to SHS March 21, 2019



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## Robotics heading to Greenville

Salado Robotics will travel to Greenville for their next competition March 21-23 after placing 18th in the District Competition Event last month.

At the District Event, Salado was chosen to compete in the alliance "play-offs" after the first round of challenges. "Due to a defensive move by a competing robot in an earlier match, we had some physical and technical difficulties," Robotics coach Catherine Parker said. "The other robot was flagged for rule violation. We continued competing throughout the day, but we were finally forced out due to the technical difficulty we experienced."

Salado's robot is named Marvin. Salado FRC Team 3743 built Marvin after receiving the instructions in January. The challenge for the 30th Season of the FIRST® Robotics Competition is Destination: Deep Space.

"We had to create a robot that could collect different objects (a ball/a flat panel) and place the objects at different heights in different locations," Parker

said. "For 15 seconds at the beginning of each match, the robot and crew experienced a sandstorm that forces participation with limited sight."

The team built Marvin with several special features, including a claw to grab objects, a scissor lift to raise the height to unload the objects and to place the team on a platform at the end of the match and a camera for partial visibility during the sandstorm.

The robot build season began Jan. 5. Teams have six weeks to build their robots. "At the end of that period, our robot must be bagged and tagged and all work must cease until competition," Parker said.

Robotics team members are Ben Sunshine, Walker Hawkins, Brooke Madsen, Rachel Luke, Keegan Mantanona, Gabe Morris, Cameron Morris, Laura Willingham, Natalie McBryde, Zack Dinkleman, Regina Deen, Logan Foster, Nathaniel Small, Cory Bartek and Isabella Morter.

Parker and Brandy Haverland are coaches for the Robotics team.



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## Grant program helps young innovators

There are a lot of young people with new ideas, enthusiasm and passion, but without the financial means to change their dreams into reality. The Hunter Watson Memorial Fund is now offering grants to help support these young innovators and their projects.

Founded in memory of Hunter Brooks Watson, a college sophomore who died as a passenger in a distracted driving accident, the Memorial Fund offers grants of up to \$5,000 to provide young men and women between the ages of 16 and 25 with the financial means to take their ideas and dreams to the next step.

The deadline for the next grant cycle is June 15, 2019 and the Fund is encouraging young people to submit their applications as soon as possible. There is no cost or obligation to apply. Applications are evaluated by a committee looking for in-

novative ideas in a variety of areas, including music, the performing arts, computer technology and entrepreneurship.

In recent grant cycles the Memorial Fund has helped finance new Internet and cell phone applications, music and performance projects, audio and video recording, and expansion of online businesses, all projects developed by passionate young people.

Grant applicants need not be in school and the grants are not scholarships nor intended to cover tuition costs. The grants are direct financial support for a young innovator's project and come with the help of a mentor to help the grant winner move his or her project forward.

Further information, and the grant application itself, is available online at [hunterwatson.org/grants](http://hunterwatson.org/grants). Application deadline is June 15.

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# House budget will add \$9 billion to K-12

By EDGAR WALTERS  
TEXAS TRIBUNE

A panel of House budget writers gave initial approval March 18 to a budget that would spend \$115 billion in state funds, including a \$9 billion infusion of new funds for Texas public schools and property tax relief.

Now that the House Appropriations Committee has approved the 2020-21 spending plan, House Bill 1, the legislation moves to the floor of the 150-member House.

State Rep. Matt Schaefer, R-Tyler, was the committee's lone no vote.

The budget plan would spend \$2 billion from the state's savings account, known as the Economic Stabilization Fund, which currently holds more than \$11 billion.

The total two-year budget would spend state, federal and local funds totaling about \$250 billion. After considering a limit imposed by the Texas Constitution, House lawmakers left about \$500 million on the table, according to testimony from the Legislative Budget Board.

Among the highlights of

the House's spending plan are:

\$9 billion in new state funding for K-12 education and property tax relief, contingent on lawmakers passing reforms to the way the state funds public schools. The budget does not dictate the breakdown of those funds, but a bill backed by Speaker Dennis Bonnen would give about \$6 billion to school districts and use the remaining \$3 billion to pay for a reduction in local school district property taxes.

A \$2.8 billion increase in state and federal funds for health and human services above what the House proposed in January. That includes a \$25 million increase for early childhood intervention services, \$6.7 million to reduce caseloads for Adult Protective Services workers, \$31 million to expand capacity at local mental health clinics for low-income Texans and \$87 million to raise the pay of personal attendants, who care for the elderly and disabled, by about 10 cents an hour.

A \$168 million expenditure to give some Texas prison guards and parole officers a pay raise.

## Hackers Ball benefits SEF

The ninth annual Salado Education Foundation Hackers Ball tees off at Mill Creek at 1 p.m. March 22.

Registration of players and teams begins at 11:30 a.m. The \$100 per player entry fee includes lunch, shared cart and green fees.

Prizes will be awarded for the longest drive, closest to hole. There will also be team prizes for the best net and gross scores.

Proceeds will benefit the Salado Education Foundation's efforts to improve the educational opportunities for the students of Salado ISD through Innovative Teaching Grants, Educational Resource Grants and scholarships to graduating Salado High School seniors.

For more information, contact Ashley Whitaker at 254-9829.



Blue Stockings cast members above are (from left) Hannah Seymore (Maeve), Jessie Ventimiglia (Celia), Owen Dabney (Professor Banks), Faith Madsen (Tess Moffatt), and Rayne Polkowski (Carolyn). COURTESY PHOTO

## One Act Play advances to area with Blue Stockings performance

The Salado UIL One-Act Play team will compete at the area contest in New Braunfels on April 1 after advancing from district and bi-district contests in March.

Public performances will be scheduled in April, depending on advancement to upper levels of competition.

Blue Stockings by Jessica Swale is a moving, comical and eye-opening story of four young women fighting for education against the larger backdrop of women's suffrage.

In 1896 at Girton College in Cambridge, the first college in Britain to admit

women, the Girton girls study ferociously and match their male peers grade for grade. Yet, when the men graduate, the women leave with nothing but the stigma of being a 'blue stocking' - an unnatural, educated woman. They are denied degrees and go home unqualified and unmarried. The play follows them over one tumultuous academic year, in their fight to change the future of education.

Blue Stockings received its professional premiere at Shakespeare's Globe, London, in August 2013, directed by John Dove.

Students who won individual awards are: District:

Best Actress Faith Madsen, All-Star Cast Jason McKinney, Honorable Mention All-Star Cast Connor Howard and Jessie Ventimiglia, All-Star Crew Grace Bender, Best Overall Crew Jack Arnett, Grace Bender, Marshall Hidebrand, Maddy Martinez, and Daniel Lander. B-District: All-Star Cast Faith Madsen, Honorable Mention All-Star Cast Rayne Polkowski, and All-Star Crew Grace Bender.

Cast members include: Faith Madsen, Hannah Seymore, Jessie Ventimiglia, Rayne Polkowski, Tommie Barker, Cooper Free, Connor Howard, Hayden Morris, Jason McKinney,

Jessica Young, Nathan Cahoon, Owen Dabney, Brooke Miller, Heidi Kelley, Jacob Mandeville. Crew members include: Grace Bender, stage manager, Marshall Hildebrand, special effects, Daniel Lander, light technician, Maddy Martinez, sound technician, Jack Arnett, prop master, Grace Beene and Lindsey Mandeville, costume mistresses, Campbell Van Sickle, makeup designer, and Dylan Tonkinson, assistant light technician and understudy.

The play is directed by J. J. Jonas.

## SHS students take home trophies from state Math

Several Salado High School students took home trophies from the Texas Mathematics and Science Association State Competition last week.

Number Sense  
Trey Graham, fourth place, 10th grade.  
Ryder Haas, fifth place, 10th grade.  
Calculator  
Luke Nelson, fifth place,

overall.  
Charity Pryor, first place, 11th grade.  
Mathematics  
Ben Sunshine, third place, overall.  
Aaron Trela, second place, 10th grade.  
Darci Pryor, sixth place, 9th grade.  
The students are coached by Brian Osborne and Dennis Cabaniss,

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## Lady Eagles Softball win first district match-up

Salado Lady Eagles started district softball with a 12-6 win over Lampasas.

**Lampasas 6**  
**Salado 12**

Salado scored eight runs in the bottom of the second to erase an early 5-1 lead by Lampasas on the way to beating the Lady Badgers 12-6 on March 15.

Lampasas scored three runs in the top of the first,

taking advantage of two walks, three passed balls, a single by Collyn Schuricht and an error.

Salado answered with a run in the bottom of the first. Piper Randolph led off with a walk. She went stole second and advanced to third on a sacrifice bunt by Amanda Canut. She scored on a sacrifice bunt by Breigh Oliver.

The Lady Badgers added

two more in the second as Schuricht doubled to score two runners with one out. She was left stranded at third.

Rebecca Dockray hit a solo homer with one out in the bottom of the second to start an eight-run inning for Salado. Erin Fasje followed with a single and Reese Preston singled to put runners at the corners. She stole second. Both run-

ners scored on an error by the second baseman that allowed Elizabeth Ford to reach base. Another error allowed Randolph to reach and then Amanda Cantu was hit by the pitcher to load the bases. Breigh Oliver hit a three-run triple to left and scored on a triple to the opposite side by Chris Wilson. Wilson scored on a groundout to first by Rylee Oborski.

The Lady Eagles added two more in the fourth. Cantu was hit by the pitcher to start the frame. With two outs, Oborski doubled to move Cantu to third. Both runners scored on an error by the second baseman that allowed Dockray to reach base.

In the fifth, Preston led off with a single. She was thrown out at second on a fielder's choice that put

Ford at first. She went to second on a grounder by Randolph. She stole third and scored on an error by the catcher.

Dockray pitched the entire game for Salado. She struck out three, allowed four hits and six runs, two of them earned.

## Salado Eagles take 2 wins in non-district baseball games

Salado Eagles won both of their non-district baseball games last week, beating Clifton and La Vernia.

**Salado 7**  
**Clifton 0**

Salado Eagles shut out Clifton Cubs 7-0 on their home field on March 11, scoring five runs in the second.

Konnor Baird led off the second with a second. He

went to second on a single by Garrett Knight. Both runners advanced on a wild pitch and Baird scored after tagging up on a line drive to center by Chase Alexander.

Parker Shelley singled to score Knight. Walks were issued to Caleb Self, Ethan Scott and Rustin Hale. David Heath singled to plate two runners before the final out was recorded.

With two outs in the

fourth, Dalton Hawes singled and stole second and third. He scored on an errant throw before the final out was recorded.

With an out in the fifth, Baird doubled. He went to third on an error that allowed Knight to reach base. He scored when Knight was thrown out trying to reach second.

Ethan Scott pitched the shut out. He allowed five

hits and struck out eight batters.

In the first inning, Clifton loaded the bases before Scott threw his second strike out of the game for the third out.

**La Vernia 2**  
**Salado 5**

Salado Eagles scored three runs in the first on their way to beat La Vernia 5-2 in a home game March

14.

Caleb Self hit a solo homer to lead off the bottom of the first. Ethan Scott walked and Dalton Hawes singled. Both runners scored on a double by Rustin Hale.

La Vernia's Clayton Chadwick hit a solo homer in the fourth. La Vernia added another run on singles by Dawson Friedrick, Luke Lytle and Koy Car-

penter.

The Eagles tacked on two more in the sixth. Hale walked and David Heath homered over centerfield.

Garrett Knight got the win on the mound, pitching six innings and striking out nine. He allowed four hits and two earned runs. Konnor Baird closed and struck out one batter.

## Senate approves supplemental spending totaling \$8.4 billion

By RICHARD LEE  
TEXAS SENATE NEWS SERVICE

(Austin) The Senate approved \$8.4 billion in additional spending on March 13, \$6.1 billion of it in state funds, to cover extra costs incurred over the last two years.

This happens every session, as budgets are written prospectively based on projections of costs and revenue, and actual income and expenses have to be reconciled with the estimates. What's unusual about this session's supplemental budget bill is that Texas experienced the most costly storm in U.S. history during the interim, and the Senate proposal would spend billions to pay for damage, relief and recovery efforts for Hurricane Harvey. In order to pay for that, among other costs, the bill would use \$4.4 billion from the state's Economic Stabilization Fund. "Now I realize those are big numbers," said bill author and Finance Committee chair Senator Jane Nelson of Flower Mound. "But \$3 billion of this package is due to Harvey, which we knew was going to have a significant price tag."

Just over \$900 million of those rainy day funds would go towards public schools in areas ravaged by Harvey. Schools are entitled to an amount of money based on their student population, and these areas saw those numbers fall as families were displaced and students moved away. Additionally, public education is paid for mostly through local property taxes, and those collections could be down significantly due to storm damage decreasing local property values. The supplemental budget would help those districts maintain services by covering some of the money lost due to fewer students and lower tax collections. \$800 million would go to create the Texas Infrastructure Resilience Fund, to pay for a statewide flood plan to mitigate the effects of the next storm, and another \$800 million to help cities and counties participate in federal aid programs requiring local fund matches. Other expenses paid out of rainy day funds include \$100 million to harden school campuses

following the 2018 Santa Fe High School shooting and \$542 million to cover shortfalls in the state's teacher pension program.

In committee action this week, the Senate State Affairs Committee approved a proposal Thursday by chair and Houston Senator Joan Huffman, to avoid future shortfalls in the Teacher Retirement System, like the one paid out in this session's supplemental budget. Providing monthly annuity payments to 420,000 retired teachers and public school employees, the fund has about \$47 billion in unfunded liabilities. Huffman said that number is projected to grow to \$124 billion by 2050 without legislative intervention. "Without a long-term, cost-efficient proposal like this, TRS retirees may never see another COLA [cost-of-living adjustment], as the Legislature cannot grant a benefit enhancement by law unless the fund is actuarially sound," she said. That means the fund must be able to pay off its outstanding obligations within 31 years.

Huffman's plan, SB 12, would gradually increase the contribution rates from employees, districts and the state over the next few years. Contributions from active employees would grow to 8.25 percent, up from 7.7 percent today, and the state would increase its share from 6.8 percent of payroll to 8.25 percent by fiscal year 2024. Most public school employees, 96 percent, don't participate in federal social security, and districts would up contributions for those employees from 1.5 to 2 percent of payroll by fiscal 2025. Under Huffman's bill, retirees would be eligible for a one-time, \$500 check payable in the next biennium, and the fund would become actuarially sound. "I understand that this is a significant financial commitment from the state and other contributors, but this plan is far more cost efficient than simply attempting to contribute one time infusions of cash every so often," said Huffman. The bill now heads to the full Senate for consideration.

## JV Red bounce back from 8-0 shut out loss to Lorena, wallop Temple JV 14-4

Salado Eagles JV Red Eagles were involved in two shut out games recently. In the first one, they were on the receiving end, falling to the Lorena JV Leopards 8-0 on March 14. They bounced back from being shut out for the first time this season to shellack the Temple JV squad 14-4 on March 18.

**Temple JV 4**  
**Salado JV Red 14**

Temple JV Wildcats took an early lead, scoring two runs in the top of the first and holding Salado to just one in the bottom frame. But then the Eagles scored six runs in back-to-back innings and ended the game in the bottom of the fifth when Nader Smien was knocked in on a single by Wilson.

Temple had two singles in the top of the first to score the two runs.

Smien led off the bottom with a single. Nolan Williams walked and Smien was put out at third on a fielder's choice that put Wilson on first. Williams stole third and scored after tagging up on a fly ball to center by Hunter Howton.

In the third, Chris Bates led off with a single, followed by single by Smien and Williams to load the bases. Wilson was hit by the pitcher to push the first run across. Howton singled to center, knocking in two runs. He went to second on an error. Maedgen walked. Logan Atchison singled to the third baseman, whose error allowed two runners to score.

Bates led off the fourth with a single and an error allowed him to go to second and Smien to reach first. Williams singled, loading the bases. A walk to Wilson

pushed a run across. A single by Howton to deep right scored Smien and Williams. He scored on a triple by Athcison who scored on a single by Johnathon Ullman for the 13-4 lead.

The Eagles held Temple scoreless in the top of the fifth. Smien led off the bottom with a triple and scored the winning run on a single by Wilson.

Salado had 13 hits in the game, led by Smien's 3 hits and 3 runs. Williams had 2 hits and 3 runs while Howton had 2 hits, 5 RBI and 2 runs. Atchison had 2 hits, 2 RBI and a run and Bates had 2 hits and 2 runs. Wilson had 1 hit, 3 RBI and 2 runs.

Maedgen got the win on the mound for Salado, pitching 1-2/3 innings. He allowed 1 hit, no runs and struck out two batters.

**Lorena JV 8**  
**Salado JV Red 0**

Lorena JV Leopards came to Salado March 14 and left with a shut out win over the JV Red squad, issuing them their first shut out loss, 8-0.

The Leopards had 10 hits in the game off of four different pitchers, while Salado had just four. Carson King, Kory Walker, Kole Maedgen and Daniel Cunningham all had hits in the game. Maedgen and Walker both had doubles. Maedgen was left on base in the second and Walker was caught trying to steal third in the seventh.

Maedgen was issued the loss, pitching four innings and allowing four runs, two of them earned, on five hits. He struck out two batters. Logan Atchison, Dillon McDaniel and Nader Smien appeared on the mound.

## CTC Fashion Show/Luncheon April 5

The Central Texas College (CTC) Foundation will host its 11th annual Spring Fashion Show and Luncheon April 5, at the Killeen Civic and Conference Center. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. and lunch will be served promptly at noon. The fashion show will immediately follow the meal.

Attendees will be

treated to a viewing of the latest in spring and summer fashions provided by Christy's of Salado, Susan Marie's in Salado, Dillard's and Cavender's. Models for the event include community leaders and members of the CTC nursing staff. Guests will also be escorted to their tables by the Men in

Pink – a group of nursing students and community members – who will assist with coffee service, water and tea refills and other needs of the table guests. Lunch is being catered by The Range Full Service Catering at Inn on the Creek in Salado.

Tickets for the fashion

show and dinner are \$50 per person or \$500 for a reserved table of eight. Premier Table seating by the runway is available for a \$1,000 sponsorship. Tickets can be purchased online at <http://bit.ly/2019CTCFashion>.

To purchase tickets, call the CTC Foundation office at 254-526-1662.



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# Companies pledge to hire more with criminal backgrounds

By ERIC GALATAS  
PUBLIC NEWS SERVICE TEXAS

AUSTIN, Texas – Leading companies in the United States, and trade groups representing more than 60 percent of the U.S. workforce, have committed to change their recruiting practices and embrace people with criminal backgrounds, which includes nearly one in three American adults.

Johnny C. Taylor Jr., president and CEO of the Society for Human Resource Management, says employers now will be able to access a talent pool of some 650,000 people re-entering society each year.

“And the person who is

recently returning to society, who wants to stay out of jail, out of prison, has an opportunity to become a productive, tax-paying citizen,” Taylor states. “So, it is a win-win-win.”

Because people with jobs are far less likely to return to prison, Taylor says Texas taxpayers also won't have to pay incarceration costs, roughly \$22,000 per year per inmate.

Some employers shy away from hiring people with criminal backgrounds because of concerns about increased liability costs and work-related crimes.

Taylor says he's hopeful that the pledge taken by IBM, Walmart, the National Restaurant Association,

the National Retail Association and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce will convince more employers to give workers a second chance.

He adds that people who have served time are more likely to do whatever it takes to stay on the outside.

“All of the research tells us that the formerly incarcerated do not commit violent crimes, or more workplace-related crimes, than people who have no criminal background,” Taylor stresses.

According to a recent poll, more than 80 percent of managers say the value that workers with criminal records add is as high or higher than workers without records.



The overall incarceration rate in the United States is 700 inmates per 100,000 people, but in Texas it's nearly 900. The average cost of incarceration is \$22,000 per inmate, per year. (PIXABAY)

## Cardiologists, heart assoc. give new guidance on stroke, heart disease

NEW ORLEANS, March 17, 2019 — The choices we make every day can have a lasting effect on our heart and vascular health. Adopting a heart healthy eating plan, getting more exercise, avoiding tobacco and managing known risk factors are among the key recommendations in the 2019 Primary Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease guideline from the American College of Cardiology (ACC) and the American Heart Association (AHA). Also, it is recommended that aspirin should only rarely be used to help prevent heart attacks and stroke in people without known cardiovascular disease.

The guideline, presented at ACC's 68th Annual Scientific Session, is offers comprehensive but practical recommendations for preventing cardiovascular disease, which remains the leading cause of death for both men and women in the United States. Nearly 1 out of 3 deaths in the U.S. is due to cardiovascular disease.

“The most important way to prevent cardiovascular disease, whether it's a build-up of plaque in the arteries, heart attack, stroke, heart failure or issues with how the heart contracts and pumps blood to the rest of the body, is by adopting heart healthy habits and to do so over one's lifetime,” said Roger S. Blumenthal, MD, co-chair of the 2019 ACC/AHA Guideline on the Primary Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease and the Kenneth Jay Pollin Professor of Cardiology at Johns Hopkins Medicine. “More than 80 percent of all cardiovascular events are preventable through lifestyle changes, yet we often fall short in terms of implementing these strategies and controlling other risk factors.”

The new prevention guideline, he said, is intended to provide a roadmap of strategies that can be used and tailored to help people without a history of heart disease stay heart healthy and, importantly, emphasize the need to identify and address personal or social barriers for doing so (e.g., income and education levels, cost concerns, lack of health insurance, access to healthy foods or safe places to exercise, life stressors).

### RISK ASSESSMENT

According to the guideline, any effort to prevent a first instance of cardiovascular disease (called primary prevention) should ideally start with a thorough

assessment of one's risk—that is, estimating how likely someone is to develop blockages in their arteries and have a heart attack or stroke or die as a result. All patients should openly talk with their care team about their current health habits and personal risk for cardiovascular disease and, together, determine the best way to prevent it based on current evidence and personal preferences.

“We have good evidence now for how to identify these very high risk individuals with a physical exam and a good history, and for those at borderline risk there are additional factors that can help us determine who is at greater risk and should, for example, be on a medication like a statin earlier to prevent a cardiovascular event,” Blumenthal said. “In the past, a lot of people may have had a fatalistic attitude that they were going to develop heart problems sooner or later but, in reality, most cardiovascular events can be prevented.”

The document synthesizes the best data and proven interventions for improving diet and exercise, tobacco cessation and optimally controlling other factors that affect one's likelihood of heart problems and stroke (e.g., obesity, diabetes, high cholesterol and high blood pressure). The document also discusses the challenges that may interfere with individuals being able to integrate better lifestyle habits.

### LIFESTYLE CHANGE RECOMMENDATIONS

The guideline underscores healthy lifestyle changes as the cornerstone of preventing heart disease and goes a step further by providing practical advice based on the latest research.

“We can all do better with our dietary and exercise habits, and that's so important when we think about wanting to live longer and healthier lives, whether it's to see our grandchildren grow up or to stay as active as possible in older age,” Blumenthal said.

Some of the key lifestyle recommendations include:

Eating heart healthier – choosing more vegetables, fruits, legumes, nuts, whole grains, and fish, and limiting salt, saturated fats, fried foods, processed meats, and sweetened beverages; specific eating plans like the Mediterranean, DASH and vegetarian diets are reviewed.

Engaging in regular exercise – experts advise aiming for at least 150 minutes of moderate-intensity ex-

ercises such as brisk walking, swimming, dancing or cycling each week. For people who are inactive, some activity is better than none and small 10-minute bursts of activity throughout the day can add up for those with hectic schedules. Currently, only half of American adults are getting enough exercise and prolonged periods of sitting can counteract the benefits of exercise.

Aiming for and keeping a healthy weight – for people who are overweight or obese, losing just 5 to 10 percent of their body weight (that would be 10-20 pounds for someone who weighs 200 pounds) can markedly cut their risk of heart disease, stroke and other health issues.

Avoiding tobacco by not smoking, vaping or breathing in smoke – 1 in 3 deaths from heart disease is attributable to smoking or exposure to secondhand smoke, so every effort to try to quit through counseling and/or approved cessation medications should be supported and tailored to each individual.

### ASPIRIN USE

For people who've had a heart attack, stroke, open heart surgery or stents placed to open clogged arteries, aspirin can be lifesaving. But regular use of aspirin to prevent heart attacks and stroke in healthy people isn't as clear-cut.

In this guideline, ACC/AHA experts offer science-based guidance that aspirin should only rarely be used to help prevent heart attacks and stroke in people without known cardiovascular disease. Recent research suggests that the chance of bleeding, given the blood-thinning effect of aspirin, may be too high and the evidence of benefit—the number of heart attacks or strokes that are actually prevented—is not sufficient enough to make a daily aspirin worth taking for most adults in this setting.

“Clinicians should be very selective in prescribing aspirin for people without known cardiovascular disease,” Blumenthal said. “It's much more important to optimize lifestyle habits and control blood pressure and cholesterol as opposed to recommending aspirin. Aspirin should be limited to people at the highest risk of cardiovascular disease and a very low risk of bleeding.”

Based on a simplified synopsis of the latest ACC/AHA cholesterol guideline, for primary prevention, statins should be commonly recommended with lifestyle

changes to prevent cardiovascular disease among people with elevated low density lipoprotein (LDL) cholesterol levels (≥ 190 mg/dl), Type 2 diabetes, and anyone who is deemed to have a high likelihood of having a stroke or heart attack upon reviewing their medical history and risk factors and having a detailed discussion with their clinician.

### DIABETES

For people with Type 2 diabetes, which is one of the strongest risk factors for cardiovascular disease, there are new data that two classes of diabetes medications, which work to lower blood sugar levels, can also cut the risk of heart attack, stroke and related deaths.

The 2019 ACC/AHA Guideline on the Primary Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease will simultaneously publish in the Journal of the American College of Cardiology and the American Heart Association's journal Circulation.

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MARCH 30-31

## 19th Annual Wildflower Art Show

The 19th Annual Wildflower Art Fair & Festival will be held on the grounds of the Salado Civic Center at 601 N. Main Street, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. March 30-31 with free admission.

This year's event will be the largest Wildflower Arts & Crafts Festival to date. Enjoy this family friendly festival by strolling through the more than 50 arts and crafts vendors selling extraordinary handcrafted items from all over the state.

Shop from a large variety of talented crafters including: woodworking, jewelry, original paintings, photography, pottery, toy



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makers, soap makers, knitting/crochet, embroidery and more!

Wildflower is featuring these local food trucks and

dors and listen to live music in the gazebo.

Wildflower organizers are excited to announce that Tiny Tails to You, Austin's adorable traveling petting zoo will be at the festival this year. All the animals are snuggly lap-sized animals such as bunnies, hedgehogs, chicks, blue-tongued skinks, chinchillas, tortoises, guinea pigs, miniature chickens and bearded dragons. The petting zoo will be open Saturday, March 30 and Sunday, March 31, Noon to 4 p.m. Tickets for this experience will be \$5.

vendors – Pizza PieRos, Rosslers Blue Cord BBQ and Kona Ice. Grab a blanket and eat a picnic lunch from one of our food ven-

## Texas Wine & Rogue Art Fest Mar. 30-31

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

The folks at Salado Winery Co. dreamt up the festival 11 years ago as a way to showcase not only Texas wines but also local, unique artists. 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 2019 festival will include wineries and vine-

yards pouring nearly 100 different Texas wines. The festival will feature wineries from all across the state, including Florence, Waco, Fredericksburg, Marble Falls, Pittsburgh and Lubbock. Wines vary from dry Mouvèdre Rosés and Texas favorites such as Tempranillo and Malbec to sweet peach wine and muscato. Some of your current picks like Fiesta and Chisholm Trail will be there and you may even find a fresh favorite in newcomers like Silver Dollar Winery or Kissing Tree Vineyard.

Artists from across the state will set up shop at the festival selling handmade items. You can find anything from hand carved wooden pens to gemstone wine stoppers to welded horseshoe art. Some artists and vendors have been attending the festival for nine years, while new ones continue to sign up each year. Every year's festival has its own unique set of gifts and art.

If you're hungry, the



You'll find handmade soaps and much more among the vendors at the Texas Wine and Rogue Art Fest.

(Photo by Marilyn Fleischer)

festival will feature several food trucks. Plenty of Texas food vendors like AustiNuts and Spicewood Food Company bring snacks, treats, and wonderful food that can be enjoyed at the festival or taken home with you.

The festival will be held on the grounds of Salado Winery Co. & 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. Well-behaved pets on leashes are allowed.

Admission is free and \$15 buys eight wine tasting tickets and souvenir glass, with additional tasting tickets available to purchase. Hours are 12-5 p.m. March 30 and 12-4 p.m. March 31.

## Smokin' Spokes annual bike ride April 6 will benefit Salado Fire Dept.

The 17th Annual Smokin' Spokes Bike Ride, benefiting the Salado Volunteer Fire Department, will be held April 6, with the ride beginning at 8 a.m. at Salado Intermediate School. All routes will begin and end at Salado Intermediate School on Thomas Arnold.

As in previous years, a variety of routes will be available for riders to choose from, with each route differing in distance and overall difficulty.

Riders can pick from 15, 27, 57, 70, 85 and 102 mile rides. All routes will begin and end at Salado Intermediate School. Most routes will take cyclists east to the Summer's Mill area, and also west to Stillhouse Hollow Lake.

There are rest stops designated with each route. "We placed most of our rest stops at very scenic locations," said Shane Berrier, Salado Volunteer Fire Department Chief. "One is on the shore of Stillhouse Hollow Lake; one is at the Overlook Park on top of the dam to Stillhouse Hollow; and one is at Summer's



### King and Queen of the Hill

The first male and female to reach the top of Eagles Nest Hill will be crowned the King and Queen of the Hill during the annual Smokin' Spokes April 6, in Salado. For information about routes and registration, visit [saladospokes.com](http://saladospokes.com).

(PHOTO BY KEVIN SMITH)

Mill."

Early bird registration will be \$40 for pre-registration through February 28. Beginning March 1, online registration will be \$45. The first 300 pre-registered riders will be guaranteed a Smokin' Spokes T-Shirt. On-site registration and check-in

begins at 6 a.m.

Click on [saladospokes.com/](http://saladospokes.com/) to register via the internet and learn more about the race, including maps of the various routes.

Free food and drinks will be handed out to riders all day long at the finish line.

# Salado Calendar of Events

**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

**MARCH 21**

Wine Tastings \$10 at The Barton House

**MARCH 21**

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

**MARCH 21**

Village of Salado Board of Aldermen meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Municipal Building

**MARCH 21**

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

**MARCH 22**

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

**MARCH 22**

Hackers Ball golf tournament benefiting Salado Education Foundation, Mill Creek Country Club. Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. \$100 per player.

**MARCH 22**

Salado Education Foundation Hackers Ball Golf Tournament, 1 p.m. at Mill Creek Golf Club

**MARCH 22**

The Royal Street Art Walk (RAW), 6 - 9 p.m.

**MARCH 22**

Salado 4th Friday Sip 'n Shop, 5 - 8 p.m. across the Village of Salado

**MARCH 22**

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

**MARCH 22**

Bottlecap Mountain, 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

**MARCH 23**

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

**MARCH 23**

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. Buffet breakfast by Mexicano Grill will be \$15 at the door.

**MARCH 23**

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

**MARCH 23**

Salado Public Library events; Salado Writers Group at 10:30 a.m., Storytime: Dinosaurs at 11 a.m. and Family Movie: Dumbo at 2:30 p.m.

**MARCH 23**

Classes at Stamp Salado: 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. Theme TBA

**MARCH 23**

Memphis Kee Band, 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

**MARCH 24**

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

**MARCH 24**

Williamson County Line, 3 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

**MARCH 25**

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

**MARCH 25**

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

**MARCH 25**

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 25**

Salado Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting, rescheduled to April 1

**MARCH 25**

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

**MARCH 26**

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

**MARCH 26**

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

**MARCH 26**

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

**MARCH 26**

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

**MARCH 26**

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

**MARCH 26**

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

**MARCH 27**

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

**MARCH 27**

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

**MARCH 27**

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

**MARCH 28**

Fine China Luncheon hosted by the Salado Area Republican Women, at the Sirena Room at Tenroc Ranch. tickets: (254)760-2456

**MARCH 28**

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

**MARCH 28**

KidZone: Lego Club, 4 p.m. at Salado Public Library

**MARCH 28**

Wine Tastings \$10 at The Barton House

**MARCH 28**

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

**MARCH 28**

The Run for Beer Group, 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

**MARCH 29**

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

**MARCH 29**

Tracy Lawrence at Johnny's Outback. Fairground Saints will open the show. Gates open at 6 p.m. Tickets online for \$25, at the gate day of show for \$30. Reserved Lawn Seating is \$40. Clear bag policy in force. Visit johnnyssteakandbbq.com to get tickets online.

**MARCH 30**

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



APRIL 5-7  
42nd Annual Texas Packard meet info: [texaspackardmeet.org](http://texaspackardmeet.org)

**MARCH 30**

Classes at Stamp Salado: Bluebonnet Fun Folds at 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and Brayer Bonanza! at 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

**MARCH 30**

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

**MARCH 30 - 31**

Texas Wine Fest and Rogue Art Show at Salado Winery

**MARCH 30 - 31**

Wildflower Art Show at Salado Civic Center

**MARCH 31**

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

**APRIL 1**

Keep Salado Beautiful Gardeners and Master Gardeners work day

**APRIL 1**

Public Arts League of Salado Board Meeting, 9 a.m. at the Salado Village Artist Building

**APRIL 1**

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

**APRIL 1**

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

**APRIL 1**

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

**APRIL 1**

Salado Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting, 4 p.m. at Salado Public Library

**APRIL 1**

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

**APRIL 1**

Terra Living Sustainable Living Courses, 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

**APRIL 1**

Salado Masonic Lodge #296 Floor practice, 6:30 p.m. at the Lodge, 95 S. Church.

**APRIL 1**

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

**APRIL 2**

Men's Prayer Breakfast, 8 a.m. at the Presby-

terian Church of Salado

**APRIL 2**

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

**APRIL 2**

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

**APRIL 2**

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

**APRIL 2**

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

**APRIL 2**

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

**APRIL 3**

Adult Arts and Crafts, 2 p.m. at Salado Public Library

**APRIL 3**

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

**APRIL 3**

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

**APRIL 4**

KidZone, 4 p.m. at Salado Public Library. Ages 5-12

**APRIL 4**

Wine Tastings \$10 at The Barton House

**APRIL 4**

Village of Salado Board of Aldermen meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Municipal Building

**APRIL 4**

The Run for Beer Group, 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

**APRIL 5-7**

42nd Annual Texas Packard meet info: [texaspackardmeet.org](http://texaspackardmeet.org)

**APRIL 5**

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

**APRIL 6**

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

**APRIL 6**

17th Annual Smokin' Spokes bike ride by Salado Volunteer Fire Department, 8 a.m. Salado Intermediate School.

**APRIL 6**

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

**APRIL 6**

3-year Anniversary at Barrow Brewing Co

**APRIL 6**

Artist's reception with Patty Thomas at Salado Winery, 841 N. Main St. Salado, 2-6 p.m. Thomas will be on hand to discuss her newest artworks.

**APRIL 7**

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

**APRIL 8**

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

**APRIL 8**

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

**APRIL 8**

Salado Masonic Lodge #296 Called Meeting on Entered Apprentice for proficiency, 7 p.m.

**APRIL 8**

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

**APRIL 8**

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

**APRIL 9**

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

**APRIL 9**

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

**APRIL 9**

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

**APRIL 9**

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

**APRIL 9**

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

**APRIL 9**

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

**APRIL 9**

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

**APRIL 10**

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

**APRIL 10**

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

**APRIL 10**

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

**APRIL 11**

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

**APRIL 11**

KidZone, 4 p.m. at Salado Public Library. Ages 5-12

**APRIL 11**

Wine Tastings \$10 at The Barton House

**APRIL 11**

The Run for Beer Group, 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

**APRIL 11**

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

**APRIL 11**

Amici Wine Dinner with John Harris of Amici Wines, \$79 per guest, 6:45 p.m. at The Barton House. 254-947-0441 for reservations.

**APRIL 12**

Ostrich Egg Decorating, 7 - 9 p.m. at Salado Winery

**APRIL 13**

Keep Salado Beautiful Texas Trash Off, 8:30 a.m. - noon at Salado Civic Center

**APRIL 13**

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

**APRIL 13 - 14**

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

**APRIL 13**

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

**APRIL 13**

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

# Village of Salado Calendar of Events

**APRIL 13**  
Goat Yoga sessions, \$30 at The Barton House. Call 254-947-0441 for time slots.

**APRIL 13**  
Art and Wine Festival at The Barton House, 2-5 p.m., \$25 pre-event, \$30 at the gate. Call 254-947-0441 for tickets.

**APRIL 13**  
Catena Wine Dinner, \$89 per guest, 6:45 p.m. at The Barton House. Call 254-947-0441 for reservations.

**APRIL 13**  
Granger Smith at Johnny's Outback. General Admission Tickets are \$20 in Advance and \$25 day of the show. Reserved Lawn Seating is \$35. Gates open at 6 p.m. Special guest Earl Dibbles, Jr. Clear bag policy in force. Visit johnny-ssteakandbbq.com to get tickets online.

**APRIL 14**  
Rombauer Wine Brunch, \$79 per guest, 10:45 a.m. at The Barton House. Call 254-947-0441 for reservations.

**APRIL 14**  
Open discussion Al-Anon Meeting, 6 p.m. Salado United Methodist Church Youth Activities Center

**APRIL 15**  
Ostrich Egg Decorating, 2 - 4 p.m. at Salado Winery

**APRIL 15**  
Children's Story and Craft Time, 11 a.m. at Salado Public Library.

**APRIL 15**  
Salado Village Artists: Knitters 1 - 3 p.m. and Stitchers 1:30 - 4 p.m. at Salado Village Artists Building

**APRIL 15**  
Salado Masonic Lodge Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m. on Master Master degree. Official visit of District Deputy Grand Master Art Wadford. Dinner served at 6:30 p.m.

**APRIL 15**  
Salado Democrats, 7 p.m. at Salado Public Library

**APRIL 15**  
Bikes & Brews, 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

**APRIL 16**  
Men's Prayer Breakfast, 8 a.m. at the Presbyterian Church of Salado

**APRIL 16**  
Salado Village Artists: brush art crafting and needle work, 9 - 11 a.m. at Salado Village Artist building

**APRIL 16**  
Sit and Knit, 10 a.m. - noon at Salado Public Library

**APRIL 16**  
Salado Rotary Club, 11:30 a.m. at Johnny's Steaks and Barbecue

**APRIL 16**  
Salado Community Chorus practice, 6 p.m. Salado Civic Center

**APRIL 16**  
Bell County Genealogical Society Meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Temple Public Library

**APRIL 17**



**April 19 - 21**  
Paint Your Own Teacup Planter at Serendipity. Reservation times vary at serendipitysaladotx.com

**April 18**  
Mah Jongg, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Salado Public Library

**APRIL 17**  
Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church of Salado

**APRIL 17**  
ESL Classes, 6 p.m. at the Creekside Cottage of Salado First Baptist Church

**APRIL 18**  
Wine Tastings \$10 at The Barton House

**APRIL 18**  
Salado Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting, 8:30 a.m. at Salado Museum Hall

**APRIL 18**  
KidZone, 4 p.m. at Salado Public Library. Ages 5-12

**APRIL 18**  
Village of Salado Board of Aldermen Workshop Session, 6:30 p.m. at Municipal Building

**APRIL 18**  
Village of Salado Board of Aldermen meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Municipal Building

**APRIL 18**  
Priest's Pint, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

**APRIL 18**  
The Run for Beer Group, 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

**APRIL 19**  
Bad Weather Day Salado ISD

**APRIL 19 - 21**  
Paint Your Own Teacup Planter at Serendipity. Reservation times vary

at serendipitysaladotx.com

**APRIL 20**  
Bikes & Brews, 7:30 a.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

**APRIL 20**  
Trudy's Closet, 10 a.m. - noon at Grace Church

**APRIL 20**  
Spring Farmers Market, 4 - 8 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

**APRIL 21**  
Open discussion Al-Anon Meeting, 6 p.m. Salado United Methodist Church Youth Activities Center

**APRIL 22**  
Children's Story and Craft Time, 11 a.m. at Salado Public Library

**APRIL 22**  
Salado Village Artists meet: Knitters 1 - 3 p.m.

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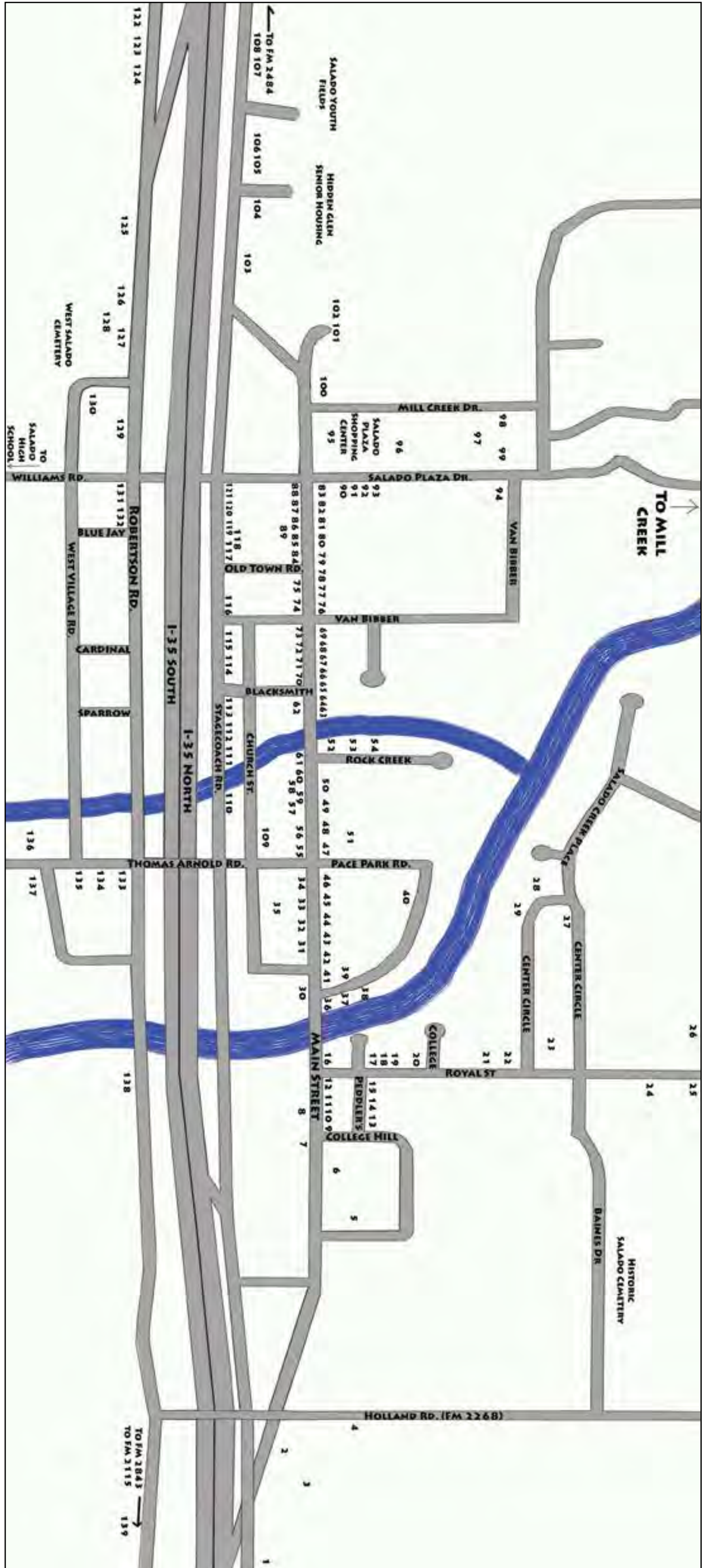
# Shopping Map of Salado

## 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
- 27. Caskey-Hendricks House
- 35. Salado Masonic Lodge #296
- 51. The Levi Tenney House
- 77. The Robert B. Halley House
- 8. Shady Villa Hotel (Stagecoach Inn)
- 28. Dr. McKie Place (Twelve Oaks)
- 45. The Anderson House
- 55. The Armstrong Adams House
- 79. The Reed Cabin
- 16. Barber-Berry Mercantile
- 29. Alexander's Distillery
- 46. Old Saloon
- 61. Historic Lenticular Bridge
- 100. The Josiah Fowler House
- 23. The Baines House
- 30. First Baptist Church
- 48. The Norton-Orgain House
- 49. The Vickrey House
- 24. Historic Dipping Vats
- 31. The Tyler House
- 50. The Barton House
- 76. Boles-Aiken & Denman Cabins
- 25. The A.J. Rose Mansion

### Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



### Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



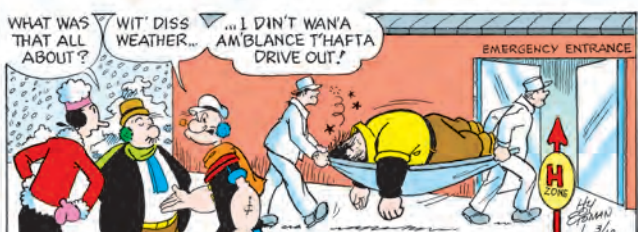
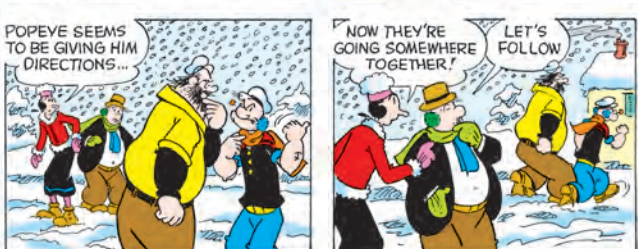
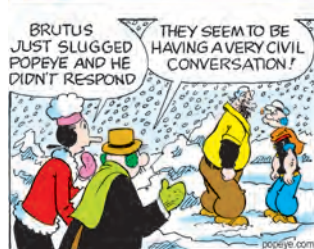
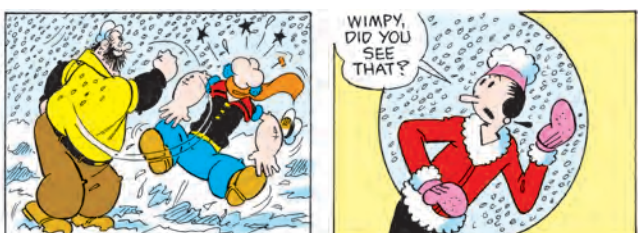
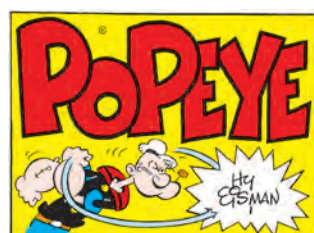
### R.E.D.

by Mike Marland



### The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



## Contract Bridge

### FAMOUS HAND

West dealer.

East-West vulnerable.

#### NORTH

- ♠ A 7 4
- ♥ A 9 8 6 3
- ♦ A
- ♣ 10 8 6 4

#### WEST

- ♠ K Q J 10 8 5 3
- ♥ 7 5 2
- ♦ J 9 3
- ♣ —

#### EAST

- ♠ 9 6 2
- ♥ K Q 10
- ♦ Q 10 6
- ♣ K 7 5 3

#### SOUTH

- ♠ —
- ♥ J 4
- ♦ K 8 7 5 4 2
- ♣ A Q J 9 2

The bidding:

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♥	Pass	2♦
2♠	Pass	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♥	Dble	5♣
Pass	Pass	Dble	Pass
Pass	Redble		

Opening lead — seven of hearts.

Many years ago, a British Columbia team journeyed to Seattle to play a team-of-eight match against a U.S. Pacific Northwest team. One deal produced a startling series of results and indicates how bridge players' minds run in different channels.

At one of the four tables, the bidding went as shown. The U.S. South reached five clubs doubled, North redoubled, and declarer then took all

the tricks for a score of 1,150 points.

A heart was led to dummy's ace, and declarer cashed the ace of spades, discarding the jack of hearts. After playing the ace of diamonds, South led a low trump to his nine. He then ruffed a diamond, finessed the ten of clubs, repeated the finesse and cashed the ace, catching East's king. When the diamonds turned out to be divided 3-3, the Canadian defenders wound up with no tricks at all.

At the second table, something very strange occurred. All four players passed! Apparently, the U.S. North thought his hand was not good enough to open (only 12 high-card points), and South, lacking the majors and holding only 11 high-card points, also passed. Thus, North-South never bid on a hand on which they could make a grand slam!

At the third table, the U.S. West opened three spades, which everybody passed! This was easily made, as the Canadian pair at this table also didn't utter a peep.

At the fourth table, the U.S. West also opened three spades. After two passes, South decided to put up a fight. He bid four diamonds, which everyone passed, and somehow went down two for a loss of 100 points.

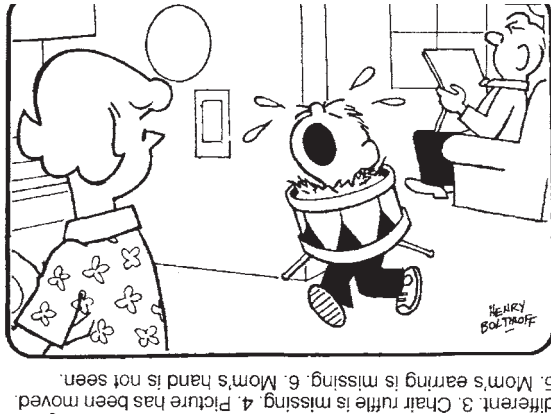
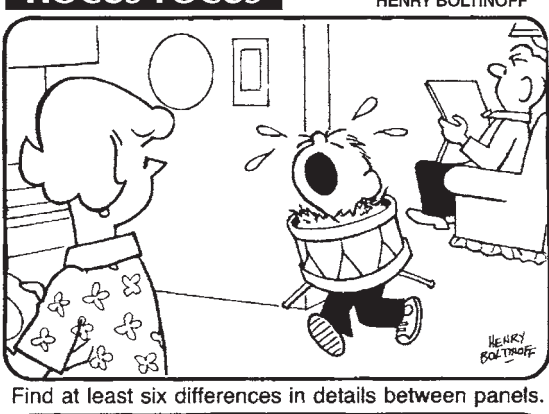
Altogether, the U.S. team gained 1,390 points on the deal, but would have fared even better if at one table it had not passed out a hand on which it could make a grand slam!

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by Steve Becker

### HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTHOFF



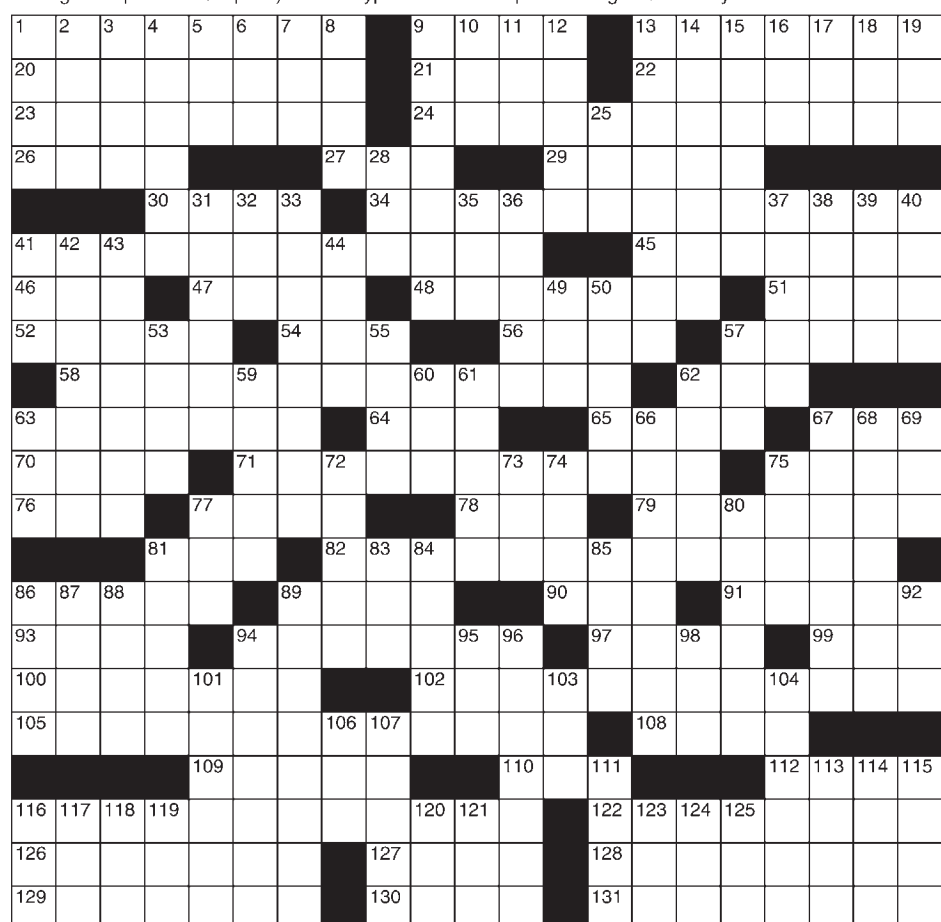
Find at least six differences in details between panels.

1. Window has been added. 2. Drum design is different. 3. Chair ruff is missing. 4. Picture has been moved. 5. Mom's earring is missing. 6. Mom's hand is not seen.

## Super Crossword

THE FIRST HALF

- ACROSS**
- 1 Spanish sailing ships
  - 9 Regrets
  - 13 Disney's Ariel, e.g.
  - 20 Classic Italian song
  - 21 About
  - 22 Powell of "Rosalee"
  - 23 Agitates
  - 24 Ticket for a suitcase at an airport
  - 26 Model Banks
  - 27 "Let me think ..."
  - 29 1836 Texas siege setting
  - 30 Farm baby
  - 34 "Cleopatra" director
  - 41 Health insurance invoice
  - 45 Off the clock for a while at work
  - 46 "Law & Order: —" (TV spinoff)
  - 47 Libertine
  - 48 Fore-and-aft rig section
  - 51 Actress Capshaw
  - 52 Alabama march city
  - 54 Suffix with ranch
  - 56 Lighten up
  - 57 Trait sources
  - 58 Randy Quaid thriller about a menacing car
  - 62 Cherry, e.g.
  - 63 Biblical wife of Isaac
  - 64 "Showdown" rock gp.
  - 65 "Aha!"
  - 67 "Westworld" aier
  - 70 Those, to Juan
  - 71 Lisa, vis-à-vis the Simpson kids
  - 75 Anjou, e.g.
  - 76 Pigs' hangout
  - 77 Towed-away car, maybe
  - 78 Route
  - 79 "Yep, sounds about right"
  - 81 Star of Earth
  - 82 Pic on a web page, say (TV spinoff)
  - 86 Start to use
  - 89 La — Tar Pits
  - 90 Dallas-to-NYC dir.
  - 91 Circular gasket
  - 93 Paella need
  - 94 "Ay, —!" (cry from Bart Simpson)
  - 97 Ride ordered via app
  - 99 — Nabisco (old corp.)
  - 100 "Conga" singer Gloria
  - 102 Shameless untruth
  - 105 Branch of knowledge
  - 108 — Hashana
  - 109 Ungiving sort
  - 110 Western tribe
  - 112 First lessons
  - 116 Like the god Anubis
  - 122 Anchor in a forest
  - 126 Brother of Wilbur Wright
  - 127 Watch datum
  - 128 Electronic device's evaluation state
  - 129 "Sure, hon"
  - 130 Tater
  - 131 This puzzle's nine longest answers use only the first half of it
  - 6 Type widths
  - 7 Actress Lucy
  - 8 Jr.-to-be
  - 9 Flesh on a rack
  - 10 A, in Iberia
  - 11 Work unit
  - 12 George of "King Rat"
  - 13 Tons of a vitamin, say
  - 14 Oxygen, e.g.
  - 15 Do one's part again?
  - 16 — jongg
  - 17 Prop-ender
  - 18 Summer Games gp.
  - 19 Dwight Gooden's nickname
  - 25 Eur. nation
  - 28 Nero's 1,150
  - 31 Just slightly
  - 32 — Zedong
  - 33 Highest-quality
  - 35 AFL- —
  - 36 Urge along
  - 37 Annoyed Bobby
  - 38 Be on a slant
  - 39 Not punctual
  - 40 Barely gets, with "out"
  - 41 Orig. texts
  - 42 "Nurse Jackie" actress
  - 43 All-work-and-no-play Jack, per an adage
  - 44 Michael of "Juno"
  - 49 Goat's bleat
  - 50 PC character format
  - 53 West and Busch
  - 55 Took way too much, in brief
  - 57 "Shucks!"
  - 59 Dean who invented the Segway
  - 60 Laid up
  - 61 Lerner's partner
  - 62 — wip (dessert topping)
  - 63 In medias —
  - 66 Control on a sound mixer
  - 67 1971 Donny Osmond hit
  - 68 Non-barking hunting dog
  - 69 Italian gold
  - 72 Red Sox Hall of Famer
  - 73 Ill-bred guy
  - 74 Jekyll and —
  - 75 Jack of old talk TV
  - 77 Tire snagger
  - 80 Gooney camp snacks
  - 81 Haste
  - 83 "Give — call"
  - 84 Disney deer
  - 85 Ample, to L'il Abner
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  - 94 Prince Charles' wife
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  - 96 Referred
  - 98 Green: Prefix
  - 101 Doe or sow
  - 103 Pesticide banned in '72
  - 104 "— & Greg" (old sitcom)
  - 106 So-so grade
  - 107 Greek Week groups
  - 111 "— Kett" hunting dog
  - 113 — tube (TV)
  - 114 See
  - 115 "Let it stand"
  - 116 Great delight
  - 117 Plural "is"
  - 118 Rite Aid competitor
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  - 120 Fast swim
  - 121 Very big bird
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  - 124 Sci-fi ability
  - 125 Suffix of ordinals



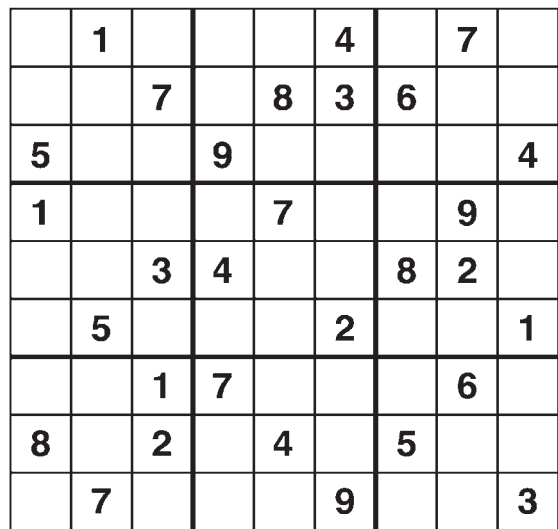
## Trivia test

- by Fifi Rodriguez
- ENTERTAINERS: Which pop music singer was born with the name Georgios Kyriacos Panayiotou?
  - HISTORY: Who was the first woman to hold federal office in the United States?
  - MEDICAL: What is a more common name for "myocardial infarction"?
  - MUSIC: Which singer had a 2010 hit single with "Rolling in the Deep"?
  - GENERAL LANGUAGE: What is the NATO phonetic word for the letter "I"?
  - SCIENCE: What is the only type of rock that is less dense than water?
  - ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of jellyfish called?
  - MOVIES: Who voiced the character of "The Iron Giant"?
  - LANGUAGE: What are the Carabinieri in Italy?
  - U.S. GOVERNMENT: How many states are required to ratify an amendment to the U.S. Constitution?

- Answers
- George Michael
  - Jeannette Rankin, elected in 1916 as a U.S. representative from Montana
  - Heart attack
  - Adele
  - India
  - Pumice
  - A swarm, a bloom or a smack
  - Vin Diesel
  - Military police with civilian duties
  - Three-fourths, or 38 of 50 states

## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

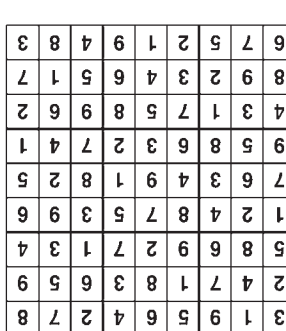


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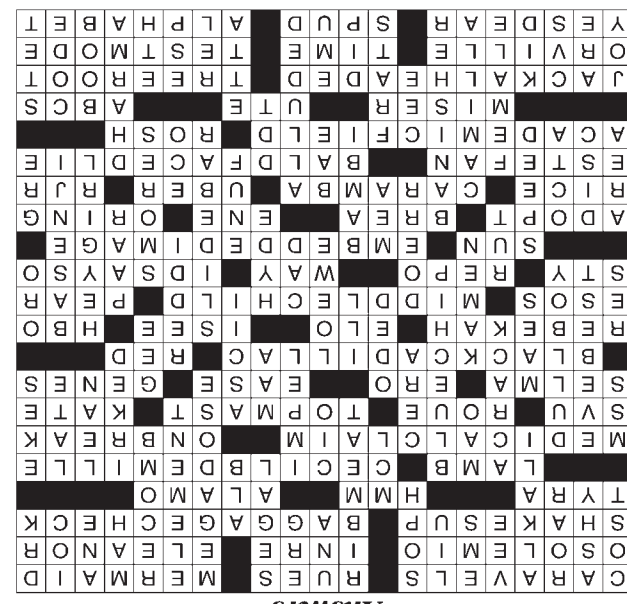
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Spotted Chirping Frog

## This frog skips the tadpole stage

As a general rule, frogs are thought to be differentiated from toads (among other things) by the fact that frogs typically live in permanent bodies of water while the habitats that toads select is less restrictive. Of course, in the natural world, there are exceptions to the rules, and one such case of rebellion is a small frog that has adapted quite well to life well away from bodies of water.

The Spotted Chirping Frog (*Eleutherodactylus guttillatus*) belongs to a frog genus that has three native representatives here in Texas (there is an additional species found in Galveston that is native to Cuba), and it has the smallest distribution of the group by a considerable amount. This variety only occurs in the mountainous regions of Brewster, Presidio and Jeff Davis counties. It is in these 3 counties that it resides almost exclusively within the confines of the humid cracks and crevices of the igneous rock canyons and boulder fields. It can occasionally be observed underneath fallen trees and rocks, as well as litter and other human debris. Outside of Texas it can be observed in the border states of northern Mexico.

This small species of anuran can be quite variable in appearance with a ground color that varies from yellow to brown to even greenish. Along the backside there are small, dark markings that are spaced randomly, forming reticulate lines and patterns. The head is similarly colored to the back and ends in a sharply pointed snout. The tympanum, or ear, is quite large, almost the same size as the dark eyes. The back legs are long and spindly and are patterned with distinctive dark bars. The front legs are also scrawny, and are used extensively as this frog prefers to crawl rather than hop. The toes are unwebbed and have tiny toepads. The skin is mostly smooth and slimy and the hip bones protrude along the backside, giving this frog the appearance of being on the brink of starvation.

As stated already, this species is rather minute with mature individuals seldom approaching one and one half inches in body length. There is virtually no difference in size between the sexes.

Breeding activities take place in the late winter months and can continue through the spring if the weather conditions are optimal. Males call the females with a series of trills and chirps (hence the common name) that sound akin to a



### Wild About Texas

Michael Price

deeper serenade of a cricket. Once mating occurs, females will lay a small (particularly by amphibian standards) clutch of eggs. Unlike most other species of amphibians that occur in Texas, Spotted Chirping Frogs do not undergo a typical amphibian metamorphosis. Rather than adults laying eggs in a body of semi-permanent or perma-

nent body of water, females will deposit the eggs in the most humid areas of its subterranean habitat. It is in these moist egg casings that the young develop into tiny froglets – they skip the entire swimming tadpole stage. Once they hatch, the diminutive froglets will be replicas of the adults, save a small tailbud.

Spotted Chirping Frogs

are alert and shy, and are rarely seen unless a concentrated effort is made to locate them. Unlike most frogs which will rely on their leaping prowess to evade predators, this species prefers to walk or crawl quickly into the safety of their rocky crevices provide. They are heard far more frequently than they are seen. Although rarely observed, at least visually, they are not rare, and populations appear to be quite stable throughout their limited Texas range.

## Republican National Committee woman Toni Anne Dashiell addresses 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. To reserve your seat, 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 (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 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 conference 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 mem-



Fine China Luncheon speaker Republican National Committeewoman Toni Anne Dashiell

bers 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

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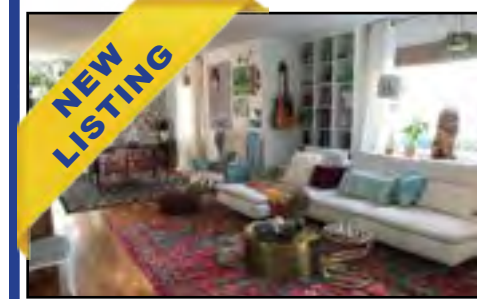
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