



Amy McLane



Jeff Kelley

McLane, Kelley given nod on SISD, Preston-Dankert, Cole, Bell on BoA

Jeff Kelley was re-elected to the Salado ISD Board of Trustees on May 4. He will be joined by Amy McLane in an election that had a very low overall voter turnout.

Amy McLane led the field of three candidates for the Salado ISD Board of Trustees, receiving a total of 497 votes. She received 275 votes in early voting and 222 votes on election day.

Jeff Kelley was re-elected with 420 votes. He received 248 votes in early balloting and 172 votes on May 4.

Brand Webb received a total of 296 votes: 151 votes in early voting and 146 votes on election day.

The trustees will be sworn in at 6 p.m. May 13 during the regular school board meeting.

Prior to the meeting, a reception will be held to honor Darrell Street, who has served on the Salado ISD Board of Trustees for 15 years and announced he would not seek re-election this year. The reception will be 5:15-6 p.m. May 13 at the Salado Civic Center to honor Street.

Amber Preston-Dankert led the four-person race for three two-year terms on the Village of Salado Board of

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Amber Preston-Dankert



John Cole



Rodney W. Bell



For the third time in a decade, Salado Creek flowed over the Main Street bridge after Salado received about six inches of rain overnight of May 2-3. The bridge was shut down for most of the morning on May 3 until debris could be cleaned up from it. (PHOTO BY MARILYN FLEISCHER)

Flood of 2019

Salado Creek flows over Main St.

Bridge, more rains expected this week

For the third time in less than a decade, Salado Creek got over the Main Street bridge as the area received about six inches of rain overnight of May 2-3.

Residents in the southwestern portion of the Salado Creek watershed reported that the creek also got over the high bridge at FM 2843 (Florence Rd.).

The Salado Creek gauge of the US Geological Services reported that Salado Creek (downstream from Main Street Bridge) showed a maximum of 18,000 cubic feet per second discharge and had a maximum height of more than 12 feet. The

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(PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN) The low water crossing in Mill Creek was closed until May 7 after heavy rains last week. The golf course reopened this week after crews cleaned up debris.

Work begins on \$5.2M Main St. job

BY TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Work began May 6 on Main Street by placing debris barriers for the first phases of the year-long project.

Capital Excavation, the contractor for the \$5.2 million project that will replace the Main Street bridge over Campbell Branch (near the intersection of Rock Creek Dr.) with a wider, longer, concrete bridge that meets current roadway safety and design specifications. The approaches to the structure

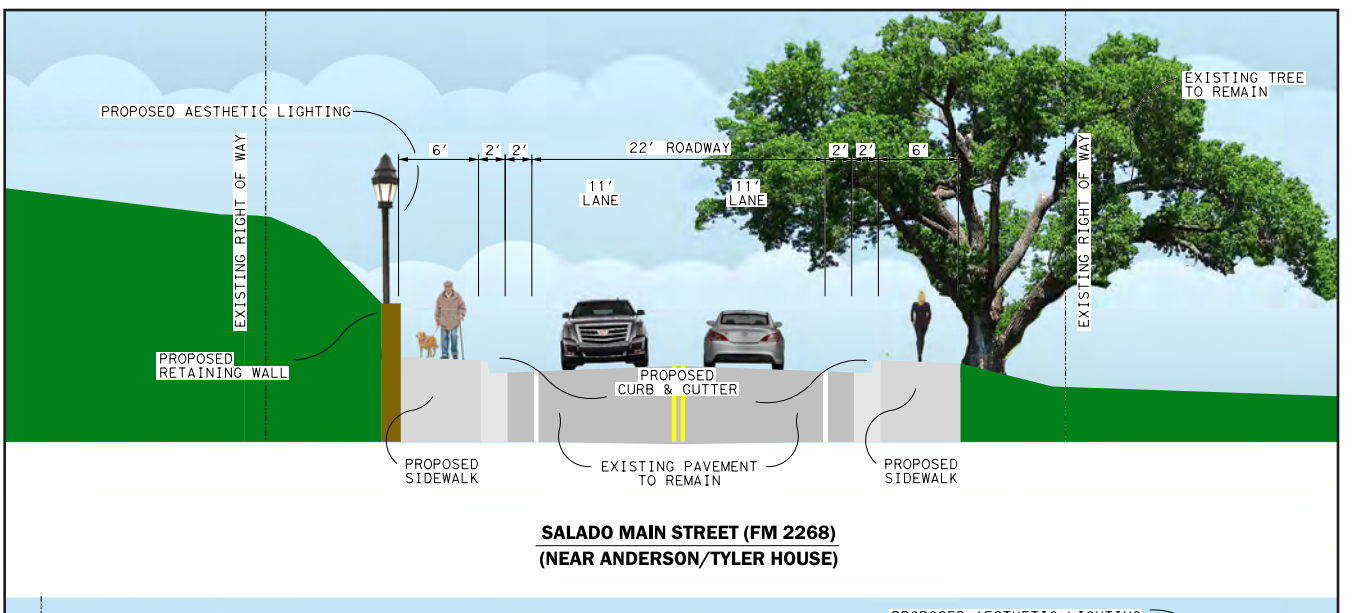
will also be upgraded and replaced.

Additionally, the project will also include sidewalks, bike paths and street lighting and pavement upgrades at various locations within the project area of 0.98 mile on Main Street from Salado Plaza Dr. to College Hill Dr. north end.

TxDOT officials met with Saladoans at a Town Hall meeting on May 1 that was announced 26 hours before the event.

"I have had personal experience with the contractor

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Is Emergency Services District headed to ballot?

BY TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The Salado Volunteer Fire Department needs more help.

Salado Fire Chief Shane Berrier mentioned this to Salado aldermen during his monthly report on May 2.

"Last year we responded to more than 900 calls," Berrier said, adding that this year "we will respond to

more than 1,000 calls."

The help needed for the fire department may require some full-time positions to be manned at the fire station. Currently, the fire department is manned by all volunteers who leave home or work at any hour of the day or night whenever the call has been issued through the county 911 system.

Having professional firefighters man the fire station

would reduce response time in the 100 square mile area that the SVFD serves. These firefighters would be supported and supplemented by the volunteers who remain on the call.

This will require the formation and support of an Emergency Services District, which could be approved by voters if put on a ballot for one of the general election dates in November or May.

The Texas Constitution allows for the creation of Emergency Services District under Chapter 775 of the Health and Safety Code.

Subchapter B states: "Before a district located wholly in one county may be created, the county judge of that county must receive a petition signed by at least 100 qualified voters who own taxable real property in the proposed district."

Part of that petition must contain a legal description of the boundaries of the proposed Emergency Services District. The Subchapter B further states that "(a-1) A statement that the boundaries of the district are coextensive with the boundaries of another political subdivision, as those boundaries exist on a particular date, is a sufficient legal description."

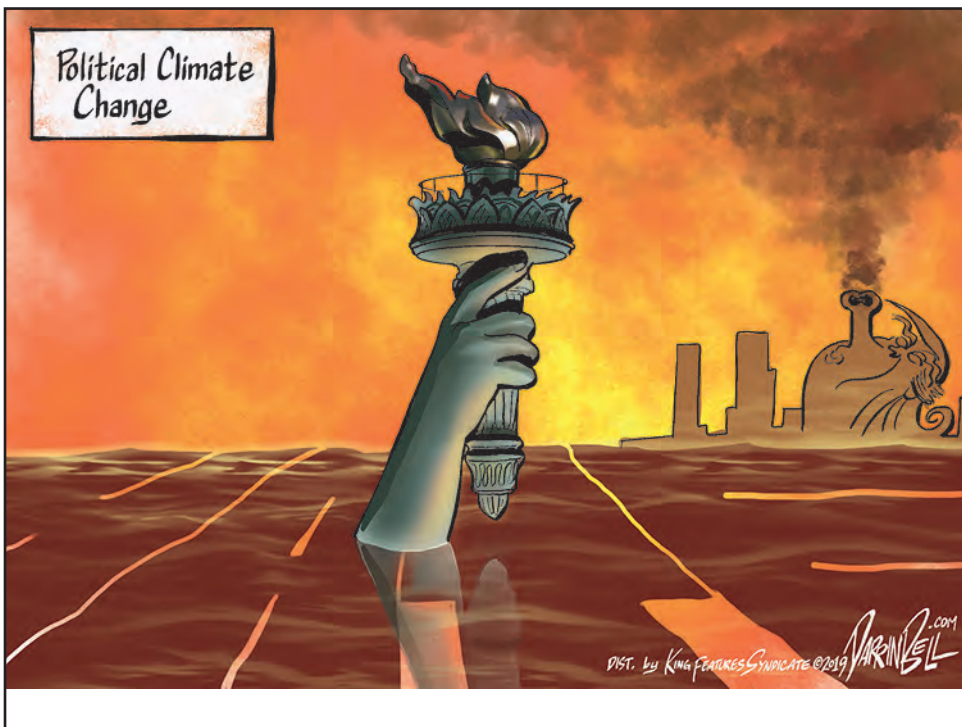
According to Section

48.e. of the Legislative Code, Emergency Services Districts may levy a tax rate of no more than 10 cents per \$100 of property value in their district.

The Salado VFD service area is 115 square miles and is larger than the Salado ISD boundaries.

The total taxable values for Salado ISD in 2018 were \$877,377,668. The preliminary

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Unemployment lowest in past half-century; US may be near end-game of expansion

The Markets

The S&P 500 Stock Index (SPX) eked out a mere 0.20% gain for the week ending May 3 at 2945.64 despite some very positive economic news on the employment situation. That lack of enthusiastic reaction may be a result of the Index being up a whopping 17.5% so far this year with traders being a little frightened of that number. From last year at this time, the SPX has risen a very respectable 10.6%. The word on the street continues to be that the continued good news on the U.S. - China trade talks is driving the gains, but they are tempered until the final deal is done and announced.

The ten-year U.S. Treasury Note yield continued its contrary signals, dropping a meager 4/100 to 2.524%, down nearly a quarter percent in the last three months and 44/100 from a year ago. The yield curve continued to signal a downturn ahead with yields from two to five years significantly below those of the 90-day T-Bill. West Texas Crude Oil was down about half a percent to \$61.84 but remains over 30% higher than last May. The WSJ Dollar Index slipped about 0.35% but is still up about 5.3% from a year ago.

The Economy

This week's headline economic news was that the U.S. hiring boom is back in gear. Our economy produced a net 263,000 new jobs in April as the official unemployment rate dropped to 3.6%, the lowest level since December 1969. The caveat to that number is that the percentage of Americans considered being in the labor force dropped by a half-million to 62.8%. In the same report, wages were noted as rising 3.2% from a year ago.

Since the end of World War II, an unemployment rate below 5% has generally caused wage growth to

Market & Economic Update

By Jeffrey W. McClure



accelerate and that growth of spendable money has led to inflation as people have more money to spend on a limited number of products and services. Consumer spending, which composes about 2/3 of the economy, rose 1.2% in the first quarter, which equates to about a 4.9% annualized rate. An interesting blip occurred in April that may be an anomaly or a marker of things to come as spending jumped 0.9% in a month, the biggest monthly rise since 2009. April's rise would equate to an over 10% annualized wage growth rate.

In an economic expansion, consumers tend to first work on paying down debt from the last recession, then they tend to restock savings. As the economic expansion matures, consumers tend to then increase spending at a faster rate than wages. As that happens, employers begin to compete for workers and wages soar. Classical economic theory would put us at about that point now, and if April's growth in spending continues, then we could see inflation, now running at a somnolent 1.6%, start to rise in a few months. If that happens then it would indicate that things aren't really different this time from other expansions. It will also start the Federal Reserve cranking up interest rates again to head off inflation and start the process that traditionally led to the next recession.

The absence of significant inflation in this recovery has economists puzzled, but many think the new factor is to be found in ubiquitous internet accessibility. Stores are being forced to compete with online suppliers and the consumer can check a price in the store

against online prices instantly. That lack of pricing ability has led stores to hold wages down and forced suppliers to do the same. Compounding the issue, the rising dollar has effectively cut prices on imported consumer items and many parts on U.S. manufactured goods. Supporting that argument is the fact that local services prices for things like plumbing and home repairs have indeed inflated as expected in the face of increased demand and limited supply. Another indicator is that worker productivity has suddenly risen as well, suggesting that more automation is being used to meet increasing demand.

Data on economic growth potential continued to be conflicting. Construction spending fell nearly 1% in March according to the Commerce Department. That puts the important construction spending number down 3.6% from March 2018, and critically, residential construction spending down 8.4%. Ironically, construction companies are almost universally complaining that they are limited by a shortage of workers.

In another signal that the economy may be at or nearly at full capacity, the ISM Manufacturing Index peaked at about 61 last August and has fallen to 52.8 as of April. Numbers above 50 indicate growth while those below 50 signal a decline. Importantly, the new orders index fell to 51.7. Manufacturing is still growing but the rate of growth has now been declining for eight months.

In short, the data suggest we are in a mature economy approaching the end-game for this expansion.

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An Open Exchange of Ideas

Thanks Darrell for 15 years of service to Salado students

This past Saturday, Jeff Kelley was re-elected for his fifth term as a school board member. Amy McLane was elected to her first term as a school board member. They will both take the oath of office at our school board meeting on Monday, May 13, at 6 p.m.

Amy McLane will be replacing Darrell Street, who did not run for re-election. Darrell has been a school board member for 15 years, which is believed to have been the longest term served by any school board member in the history of our school district.

We are going to have a reception this coming Monday, May 13, at 5:15 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center, located at 601 North Main Street, to recognize Darrell Street for his service to our school district and our community. All students, parents, employees, and community members are invited to attend.

Darrell served the following five three-year terms as a board member: 2000-2003, 2007-2010, 2010-2013, 2013-2016, and 2016-2019. He worked with four different superintendents during that time: Rob-

Superintendent's Corner

by Dr. Michael Novotny



Darrell Street

in Battershell, Bob Denton, Billy Wiggins and myself. Darrell also served as the school board president from 2009 until 2011.

Our school district's enrollment has increased from 960 students to 1,944 students during the years that Darrell served as a school board member. Salado High School graduated over 1,500 students during his 15 years on the school board.

In 2014, Darrell and his wife, Maudie, were recipients of the Bayleigh Elizabeth Ringo Outstanding Eagle Fan Award. They have been faithful members of the Salado First Baptist Church for over 20 years. Darrell has also been a member of the Salado Masonic Lodge for over 40 years.

Darrell was also elected to serve three three-year terms as a city council member in Boerne. Thus, Darrell was elected eight times (five in Salado and three in Boerne) and he never lost an election.

Darrell Street is an outstanding member of our school board and our community. Join us this Monday, May 13, between 5:15 and 6 p.m. for the reception as we recognize him for his 15 years of dedicated service as a school board member.

The Greatest Show on Earth

No one enjoys getting impeached, and if it happens to him, Donald J. Trump will be no exception.

On the other hand, it's hard to imagine any potential target of impeachment in Anglo-American history relishing the fight more than Trump. He'd rather be done with the Mueller investigation in all its permutations, but there's no one better suited to being at the center of a harshly partisan, deeply personal political and legal donnybrook that will ultimately be just for show.

Trump famously told top aides at the beginning of his administration that he wanted them to view each day as a TV episode. Impeachment would be a helluva season, matching a momentous process of American government with low political melodrama.

This may feel like a devolution from the buttoned-up Mueller probe, but the House should have been the locus of the Trump investigation in the first place.

Because Justice Department policy says a president can't be indicted, Robert Mueller was never going to reach a legal conclusion about alleged obstruction. The question was whether the president's conduct constituted an abuse of power that Congress would deem impeachable; in other words, it was a political

Rich Lowry



of that, this is his element. He's handled every controversy or fight -- no matter how personal or treacherous -- with the same straight-ahead aggression.

Trump is almost certainly better prepared and temperamentally suited for thermonuclear war with a Democratic House than he was to get substantive achievements out of a Republican House. He obviously hadn't thought through an actionable populist-conservative policy synthesis, but he has a lifetime's experience resisting and belittling enemies and extemporizing his way from one crisis to the next.

It may be impossible for him to stop impeachment, certainly not if Nancy Pelosi supports it. But he'll be the focus of a historic drama that will rate -- or at least be remembered and analyzed -- for a very long time. He will have succeeded in making the Democratic House majority all about him, and, if not getting convicted by the Senate counts as a victory, he will win in the end.

The post-trial tweet-storm will be something to behold.

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question.

Congress, then, was always the most appropriate venue for the investigation and disposition of this matter, not the office of the special counsel, where instead of being out in the open, it was behind closed doors. Instead of being nakedly political, it was clothed in thick legal analysis. Instead of being a struggle between the branches, it was a struggle within the executive branch.

Now, the battle is truly joined. The body that is going to make the ultimate decision of what to do about Trump's conduct, if anything, is on the hook. It has to decide what goes too far and not far enough. Should it subpoena Trump's children? How much time should it devote to investigations as opposed to its policy agenda? And, of course, should it impeach?

For his part, Trump is liberated to fight like a caged animal, asserting executive prerogatives vis-a-vis the legislature and engaging in flat-out partisan combat.

Trump would prefer a world in which he's universally praised, but short

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A border crisis of our own making

FOR 30 YEARS I'VE LED FAITH DELEGATIONS TO CENTRAL AMERICA, SEEING FIRST-HAND HOW U.S. POLICIES DISPLACED THE PEOPLE NOW ARRIVING AT OUR BORDER.

By JEAN STOKAN

For more than 30 years, I've led faith-focused delegations to Central America — and since 2016, to U.S.-Mexico border communities. We've taken nuns, bishops, rabbis, and grass-roots congregants to learn about realities rarely covered in the news.

This April our delegation visited El Paso, Brownsville, and McAllen, Texas, as well as Juarez and Matamoros, Mexico. We talked to U.S. border patrol agents, religious and NGO workers on the ground, and migrants who recently crossed over, including those caged under the bridge in El Paso.

The migrants' stories, gaunt faces, and vulnerability continue to haunt me. Nearly all the children were sick, and some were so malnourished their hair was whitening.

The discrepancy between what's portrayed in the media and what our delegation witnessed is stark. I worry for my country as fear-mongering politicians spread disinformation, instead of

the truth: What we're seeing at the border is a crisis of our own making.

While we were in those Texas border communities, I read the White House's daily email blasts depicting an "invasion" of criminals, gang members, and traffickers pushing children across the border.

Yet everywhere we went, we felt safe — and our faith partners living in U.S. border communities report that they do too. Research has shown that undocumented immigrants are far less likely to commit crimes than native-born Americans.

Yet the administration is exposing innocent asylum seekers to terrible danger. They've instituted a "Remain in Mexico" policy to force asylum applicants to wait indefinitely on the Mexican side of the border. I met a Mexican priest who picks up dismembered body parts outside his migrant shelter, where organized crime networks engage in organ trafficking.

As a result, many desperate migrants feel they have little choice but to cross illegally in the deserts, and then ask for asylum. The majority are families who had to make the wrenching decision to leave their homelands because of the dangers, only to be treated like criminals when they arrive.

The current chaos at the

border is the result of political stunts by the Trump administration that have dramatically slowed the processing time for asylum applications, three former officials wrote in Politico recently.

But our moral responsibility for the crisis goes deeper than that: In fact, decades of U.S. foreign policy have led to the massive displacement of Central Americans today.

Free trade policies such as NAFTA and CAFTA pushed hundreds of thousands of Mexican and Central American small farmers off their land, benefiting big agriculture companies but destroying local economies. That's left countless now-desperate migrants unable to feed their children.

Meanwhile, U.S. military support of repressive regimes in Central America — going back to the 1980s, but even still today — has propped up rapacious elites and crushed democratic social movements for change, most recently in Honduras.

These policies have consequences, and the migrants at our border are the faces of those consequences.

Distorting the truth to demonize the vast majority of migrants crossing the border, while treating them as criminals, is unconscionable. Asylum is a right, protected under U.S. and international law, including


for people without travel documentation.

Neither a wall nor cages are the answer to the desperate people arriving at our borders. What's needed are major reforms to the U.S. asylum and immigration systems, as well as to foreign policies that have defined "the national interest" against the needs of human beings.

More deeply, we need a national soul-searching. Or else, we should erase the quote on the Statue of Liberty: "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free."

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Community Life

Republican Women hold new member orientation, founder of COOL Jon Williams will speak

Salado Area Republican Women are holding a new member orientation meeting 11 a.m. May 23, at the Salado Civic Center prior to the general meeting. A new member orientation program will be presented by President Barb Swarouth prior to the general meeting.

Following lunch at 11:30 a.m., Police Chief of Harker Heights, Phil Gadd, will be addressing Gang Activity in Central Texas, a growing problem in our society. Chief Gadd has been a professional Law Enforcement

Officer for 43 years, with over 27 years of managerial experience at both the municipal and federal level. During his tenure with the FBI, he served as a Special Agent, working Violent Crime/ Major Offenders, White Collar, Indian Country, Foreign Counterintelligence and Polygraph in the Salt Lake City and Oklahoma City Divisions.

In 2006, he returned to Central Texas and accepted a transfer as Supervisory Special Agent, for the Violent Crime / Major Offenders squad which covered

the Austin and Waco Resident Agencies. In 2015, he was selected as the Deputy Chief of Police for the City of Harker Heights Texas. Three years later, he was appointed as the Chief of Police for the City of Harker Heights.

Also speaking will be Jon Williams, founder and president of the COOL Conservatives program to target young people 18-40. Voters aged 18-40 are increasingly voting for lib-

erals and he is in hopes of changing this trend through social media. COOL Conservatives has an ambitious plan to keep Texas Red and engage millennial and minority populations. Younger voters are easily swayed by the promises of the Left and the only way to combat this is with information through such organizations as COOL Conservatives.

Jon is a lifelong Republican activist. During his military career he par-

ticipated in operations in support of deployments to Afghanistan, Bosnia, Macedonia, and Iraq.

He holds a Bachelor's Degree from the University of North Texas and his Master's Degree from Texas A&M University in Commerce.

His presentation will be a brief overview of how COOL Conservatives plans to partner with county and auxiliary groups, provide training, and produce top-

notch social media content. Lunch will be provided by McCain's Café and Bakery for \$15 a person. All visitors are welcome but reservations are requested for seating and food. Anyone making a reservation but not canceling prior to the meeting will be billed for the cost of the luncheon.

Make reservations by May 20, to Barclay McCort at barclaymccort@gmail.com or 947-3617.

RESURRECTING THE PAST

Restoration of Historic Central Christian Church in Bartlett revealed at open house May 11

The public is invited to attend an open house 10 a.m.- 3 p.m. May 11 to celebrate the restoration of the historic Central Christian Church in Bartlett.

Built more than 100 years ago, the church at 504 W. Jackson in Bartlett (corner of Alamo and Pietsch) has undergone an extensive renovation and restoration.

The open house will include an art exhibit and musical performances by Amy Stockwell, who will be singing selections from the church's original hymnal.

In conjunction with the church open house, the Bartlett community will also be celebrating the town's history as well as recent revitalization efforts through an all-day event, "Bartlett on the Bricks."

The event includes grand openings for The Matrix, a family-friendly spot to enjoy a burger, play games and listen to music. Willa and Bell, a general store with Texas hand-made goods and clothes. Red Door Architectural Salvage which carries vintage doors, windows, stained glass, tubs, hardware and all sorts of unique and unusual finds.

The day's activities will include an ice cream social

and fun activities for the children sponsored by the Volunteer Fire Department, the Old School will show movies filmed in Bartlett and serve free popcorn, the Methodist Church will open its doors for the public to view its beautiful 100 year old stain glass windows. Hay rides will transport people throughout the town's historic district.

Churches all across America are closing at an alarming rate. It is estimated 6,000 to 10,000 shut their doors each year – a rate of 100 to 200 closures per week.

Texas is no exception. The landscape is littered with the bones of late 19th and early 20th century buildings that served as both a house of worship and a social center for communities.

More than 30 years ago, the Central Christian Church in Bartlett fell victim to a dwindling congregation and lack of financial resources. Standing empty at the corner of Pietsch and Alamo, the faded beauty of this wonderful example of late 19th century Victorian Gothic architecture has been a popular subject for photographers from across the country. But after losing shingles from the original shake roof almost a decade ago, the devastating impact of time and the elements escalated the structural and interior damage.

In October of 2017, Kris Kaskel-Ruiz was definitely not looking for a new project after just restoring and renovating a historic bank in a small town east of Dallas. But according to Ruiz, God had another plan and placed the church in her path.

"When I walked into the building, I was immediately hit with an overpowering sewer smell. Water damage from the breached roof was extensive. In fact, I could hear water dripping from the rafters. Portions of the floors and ceilings had



caved in while a tree was growing into the back of the building," Ruiz said. "Even with all that damage, I just saw the beautiful windows, a magnificent tin domed ceiling, gorgeous doors with the most amazing hinges, and a huge baptistery pool. I made an offer on the spot."

A woman's passion for preserving history along with the skilled help of Shawn Brill of Brill Quality Construction and, not to mention, a little divine intervention; brought life back to the church and even helped energize the community.

"It's been 15 months of very hard work. A miracle in some ways. Shawn Brill has done an incredible restoration job," stated Ruiz. "Honoring and preserving the building's architecture, history and purpose served to guide all of our design decisions. While the church appears much as it did when it was first built, the interior received a makeover that merges the early 20th century with the function and aesthetic of today."

Some of those changes include a custom-designed chandelier that hangs from the crown of the restored tin ceiling. The inspiration for the fixture was taken from the chandeliers found in Greek orthodox churches. A bible verse, Proverbs 4:18, wraps around the six foot diameter lighting.

The most stunning feature of church has to be the windows. Colored glass in wood frames create a kaleidoscope of patterns throughout the day.

"I think one of my favorite things about the windows is that not all the glass matches. Over time, replacements have varied in texture and color hue.

In fact, we were unable to exactly match the pattern found in the bulk of the glass that came from a 70s renovation." Ruiz added, "We located a similar pattern and color from a glass manufacturer that's been around before the church was built. Nothing is perfect in a century old building and those imperfections only add to its character, telling a unique story about the church."

While the baptistery pool represented a tough design challenge, the creative in Ruiz saw a repurpose opportunity. Originally open to the sanctuary, the space was enclosed and plumbed as a shower. Beautiful mosaic tile covers the entirety of the baptistery and its surrounding twelve foot walls. A massive rain shower head measures a total of two by four feet.

Through Ruiz's passion, the Central Christian Church will remain part of the town and Williamson County. However, preservation wasn't the only thing on her agenda.

"Finding available and reasonably priced real estate in this area is a challenge. I wanted the project to show others that small towns such as Bartlett offer a unique living experience through an inventory of affordable, historic buildings. These one-of-a-kind structures are a viable, and in some cases, a non-traditional option, when looking for a home or place of business," stated Ruiz. "It's really the ultimate in going green – recycling, on a large and meaningful way, that immediately contributes to the preservation and development of rural Texas."

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Community Life

Salado Museum, College Hill Park announces Half-Price Antiques Sale

Salado Museum and College Park is holding a half-price antiques sale on Saturday, May 18, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., at the museum, 423 South Main, across from the Stagecoach Inn in Salado. All proceeds will

benefit the museum.

"All remaining antique and vintage furniture, glassware, sterling silver serving pieces and other items are now half price and no reasonable offer will be refused," says Dave Swarth-

out, Museum Executive Director. "These are items that have been in the museum building for many years but are not a part of our historic exhibits."

Swarthout adds that dealers are welcome and

can contact the museum in advance of the sale to view items and make an offer. Photos of items can be seen on the museum's Facebook page.

For more information, call 254-947-5232

Airman Martinez graduates Basic Training

U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Micah J. Martinez 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.

Martinez is the husband of Abby Martinez of Temple, Texas.



1st Class Micah J. Martinez

He is a 2016 graduate of Providence Preparatory School, Belton, Texas.

Senior Activity Center May events

Upcoming events scheduled at the Belton Senior Activity Center for the month of May are:

Collette Tours presentation on the Nashville & Smoky Mountain Holiday, December 12-19; and the California New Year's Get-away, featuring the Tournament of Roses Parade, December 29-January 2, is Monday, May 13 at 1 p.m. at the Belton Senior Activity Center, 842 Mitchell Street.

Senior Appreciation Dinner is Monday, May 20 at 5:30 p.m. Attendees at the Center must call to register by Thursday, May 16, 254-939-1170.

An Older Americans Month Event will be Tuesday, May 21 with refreshments at 10 a.m., followed by the program at 10:30 a.m. Denim & Diamond Seniors will perform.

AARP Safe Driving Class is Tuesday, May 21 from 11:30-3:30 p.m. Contact the Center to register at 254-939-1170.

The Belton Senior Activity Center is located at 842 S. Mitchell Street in Belton.



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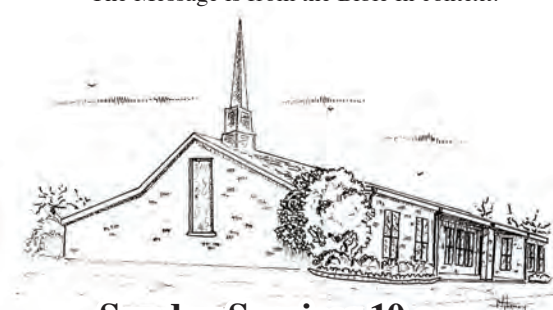
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Obituaries



MOLLY ELAINE KIRK

Services for Molly Elaine Kirk, 72, of Temple and formerly of Salado, will be on 10 a.m. Saturday, May 11 at First Lutheran Church, 1515 W. Adams Ave. in Temple with a private burial following at Salado Cemetery.

Molly Elaine Kirk died

on May 3, 2019 in Temple.

She was born on November 24, 1946, in Bell County to William Cecil Brown and Ruth Marie Brown.

She graduated from Temple High School in 1964. She married Frank Vanecek and they had two sons, Jeff and John.

She married Lakin D. Kirk in 1996 and remained married to him until her death.

She worked for the Temple Daily Telegram and Southwestern Bell. She was the owner of Upscale Interior Consignments in Salado. She and her husband were co-owners of Friendly Folks Cleaning Service.

She was a lifelong member of First Lutheran Church and shared her many talents with her Church in many capacities.

She was an accomplished quilter and bestowed upon her family, friends, and church her gifts of love.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Jack and Butch Brown.

She is survived by her husband, Lakin, her grandson, Brandon Vanecek, and her brothers, Tom, Ed, and Gene Brown.

Memorials may be made to First Lutheran Church, 1515 West Adams, Temple, Texas 76504.

Flooding

gauges show that on April 27 there was 5,000 cubic feet per second discharge with a maximum height of 8 feet. These are record amounts since the gauge was installed in 2012. There were two high flow events before that of 10 feet.

As much as five inches of rain was reported in Salado. In excess of five inches has been reported in the recharge area west of Salado.

Low water crossings throughout the Salado Creek watershed were closed.

Flash flooding was reported at Chisholm Trail and Stagecoach Circle where one vehicle was caught in the stream of water. The driver reported to *Salado Village Voice* that she had driven past the area on her way to a house. She got to the barricades further up Chisholm Trail where the Salado Creek went over the road and turned around. On the way back to the highway, she reported that



PHOTO BY MARILYN FLEISCHER

her car was caught in a flash flood at the Stagecoach Circle area, where a drainage creek is now more prone to flooding.

Salado officials have requested a meeting with Texas Department of Transportation to discuss the drainage issue that has contributed to the flooding issue at Chisholm Trail and Stagecoach Circle.

Some residences reported minor damage with the recent flood episode, but nothing like the amount re-

ported in 2010 and 2008.

Mill Creek Country Club reopened all holes this week. Some minor repairs will have to be done to sand traps and debris has already been removed, but damage was nothing like the flood of 2010 that shut down about nine holes until new ownership rebuilt them.

Area lakes are at capacity reportedly. Forecasts call for 50% chance of rain for May 9 and 10 before skies begin to clear for the weekend.

Election

Aldermen. She received 316 votes, 175 in early voting and 141 on election day.

John Cole followed closely with 313 votes, 193 in early voting and 120 on election day.

Rodney W. Bell was also elected with 299 votes, 175 in early voting and 124 on election day.

Linda Reynolds received 202 votes, 113 in early voting and 89 on election day.

The Board of Aldermen

will certify the election results during a special meeting on May 9.

Before the regular May 16 meeting, the Village will recognize the service of outgoing aldermen Dr. Michael McDougal and Andy Jackson, neither of whom sought re-election.

The reception will begin at 6 p.m. with the new members of the Board of Aldermen sworn into office and a new Mayor Pro Tem ap-

pointed by the Board during the regular meeting set to begin at 6:30 p.m. May 16.

Also on the May 16 agenda are the second public hearings on the annexation of several pieces of property owned by the Salado ISD. The first reading of the ordinances to annex the properties will be 6:30 p.m. on June 6 and the second reading of the ordinance at 6:30 p.m. June 20.

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10:30 a.m. One Worship Service	6 p.m. Children's and Youth Activities*
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* Contact church office for children's youth activities schedule

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Neighbors Night Out kicks off May 23

Mill Creek Community Association will host the first of its seasonal monthly Neighbors Night Out events 6-9 p.m. May 23 at the 19th Hole of Mill Creek.

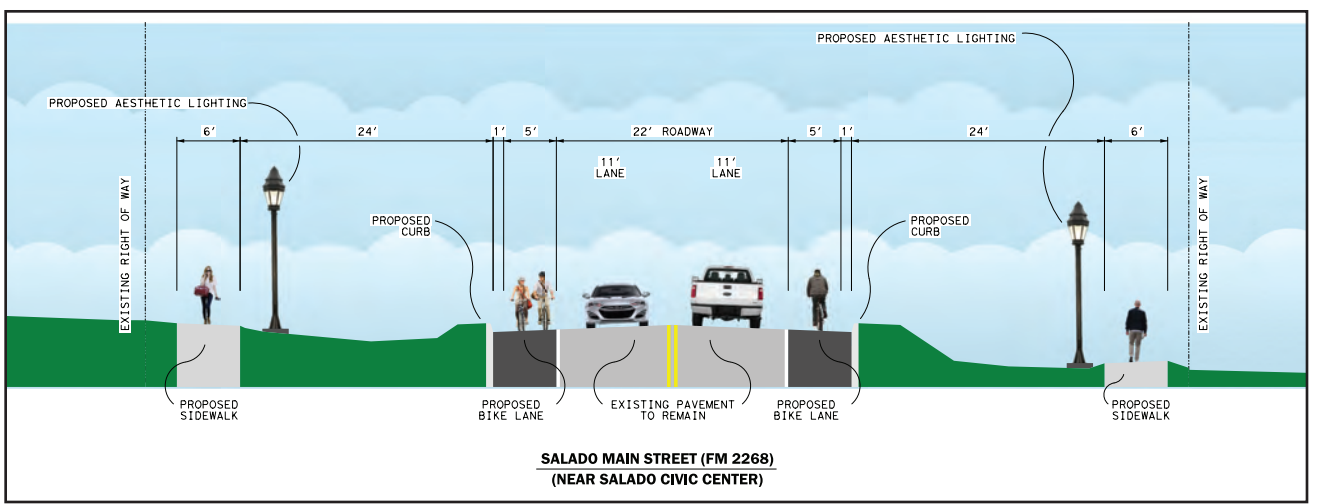
The events will provide fun evenings with live music, children's games, swimming and a great atmosphere for neighbors to sip, snack and visit. Local food trucks will offer a variety of tasty food and events.

MCCA hopes to expand these events to include Sal-

ado residents outside of Mill Creek who share in the belief that strong neighbors make for a strong community.

Business sponsorships are being solicited for \$100. These sponsorships will help cover costs for tents, fans, advertising, bounce house and games.

For information about becoming a sponsor, call Linda Blevins at 254-780-7374 or Lora Zuber at 817-992-6097.



Main Street

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hired for this project," Village administrator Don Ferguson told the audience May 1, adding that "You couldn't do any better."

Work will take place between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, with some overnight work when the bridge is actually being replaced.

Capital Excavation will have 40 days to replace the Campbell Branch Bridge with a start date of Jan. 5 2020. It will require a closure of Main Street in that area with traffic detoured from Main St. to Blacksmith from Thomas Arnold Rd. and Church St.

"There are incentives in the contract to get the job done earlier," Ferguson said.

Ferguson has said that the project will be disruptive but will ultimately be "really good" for Salado.

Work will begin on the west side of Main Street south of Salado Creek. Crews will complete work on the planned improvements on the west side of Main Street up to Thomas Arnold Rd. before switching over to the east side and completing work up to Salado Plaza. Then the work will move south on the west side to Thomas Arnold and then switch over to the east side south of Thomas Arnold to finish south of Salado Creek.

While there will be lane closures associated with the project, at least one lane

of Main Street will remain open to traffic for the duration of the project.

Much of the project will fill the entire 100 foot right of way for Main Street in order to allow for sidewalks, parking, bike paths and drainage improvements. There are no plans for expansion of traffic lanes on Main Street.

The project will rework parking throughout the right of way on Main Street. In some areas, parking will be back-in angled parking. Other areas will have parallel parking only and some areas will lose parking.

Schematics can be found on saladovillagevoice.com showing the cross sections of the project as well as the impact on the right of way throughout the project. Those schematics are based on the 2017 drawings that *Salado Village Voice* posted online and were featured in the presentation by TXDOT officials John Haberman and Solomon Thomas.

The project was designed by Abram VanElswyk, PE, who designed the project for IS, LLC. He came to Salado for a town hall meeting in August 2017 announcing the project.

The project will have six foot concrete sidewalks on

both sides of Main Street from College Hill to Salado Plaza Dr. From Thomas Arnold north to Salado Plaza Dr., the project will include bike lanes along the asphalt with striping to separate the bike lanes from the cars and trucks lanes. On the outside of the asphalted lanes will be concrete sidewalks and drainage.

"The right of way is very tight south of Thomas Arnold," said VanElswyk in 2017. "We won't be able to have the bike lanes south of that."

The project will include work on drainage, including some closed storm sewer drains, VanElswyk said.

"We wanted to preserve as much of the parking as possible," he added. In order to do that, and to ensure safety for cyclists, some parking will be parallel and other parking along Main Street will be back-in angled parking.

VanElswyk explained that back-in angled parking is necessary for the safety of cyclists because it creates a line of vision between the cyclists and drivers pulling out onto the road.

The project also preserves driveway cuts for property owners.

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ESD

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nary 2019 values received by Salado ISD last week were just over \$1 billion.

Based on this preliminary value, a 1¢ property tax levy would generate \$100,000 per year for an ESD with boundaries that are the same as the school district. A 5¢ tax levy would generate about \$500,000 for the emergency services district per year. A 10¢ property tax levy (the maximum) would generate about \$1 million per year.

A 1¢ tax rate for a property valued at \$250,000 would be \$25. A 5¢ tax levy would be \$125 on the same value and a 10¢ tax rate

would be \$250 per year.

Currently, Salado Volunteer Fire Department funds its budget through donations, fundraisers such as the annual Smokin Spokes, payments from the county and a \$40,000 payment from the Village of Salado.

Salado VFD has an

annual budget of about \$145,000 for equipment and maintenance and repairs, fuel and other costs. No salaries under the current Salado VFD.

Volunteers give more than 4,000 man hours each year. There are currently 25 volunteers on the VFD.

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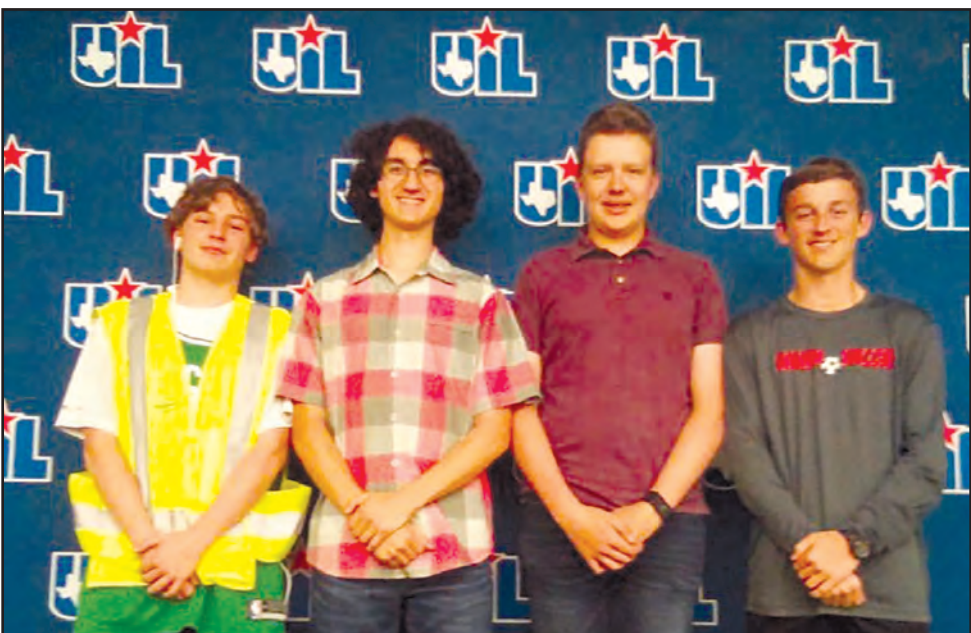
SHS State UIL Academic teams compete



2nd place Team State UIL Spelling Team: (l to r) Kimberly Kendall, Gricelda Vargas, Madeline Sunshine and Coach Kyra Mann. Kendall placed 6th in State for Individuals.



3rd place State UIL Mathematics Team: (l to r) Amy Manning, Elizabeth Won and Ben Sunshine. not pictured: Hailey Giesecke. Sunshine was awarded 1st place State UIL Mathematica Individual.



4th place State UIL Number Sense Team: Wesley Hernandez, Cooper Chambliss, Andrew Novotny and Trey Graham



4th place State UIL Calculator Applications Team: (l to r) Luke Nelson, Averie Piatt, Charity Pryor and William Won.

Salado State UIL Academics

Salado High sits in third place in State in the UIL Academic contest with the speech contests left to be held on May 30.

Salado is four points behind Stephenville. "We have a good chance of taking over second place in the state after the speech event results are completed," Michael Novotny said.

The following are results from the math and academic competitions held on May 4.

Calculator Applications:
4th place Team: Charity Pryor, Luke Nelson, Averie Piatt and William Won.

Mathematics:

1st place Individual: Ben Sunshine

3rd place Team: Ben Sunshine, Elizabeth Won, Hailey Giesecke and Amy Manning.

Number Sense:

4th place Team
Team of Cooper Chambliss, Andrew Novotny, Trey Graham, and Wesley Hernandez.

Spelling and Vocabulary:
6th place Individual: Kimberly Kendall

2nd place Team
Team of Kimberly Kendall, Madeline Sunshine, and Gricelda Vargas.

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Summer School offered for English language learners

Salado ISD will host a special Summer School for English Language Learners.

For students entering K-12, the summer school classes will be 9 a.m.-12 noon June 5-7 and June 10-14. There is no cost to students and snacks will be provided. Transportation will be provided at no cost for Option 1

For students entering K-1 only, a more intensive summer school will be 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. weekdays June 10-July 5. Transportation will not be provided for this

option.

Both summer school sessions will be offered at Thomas Arnold Elementary School.

This summer program is not mandatory, but is recommended for students who speak a language other than English at home. This program provides an extended school year where the EL student can practice using English in reading, speaking, writing, and listening.

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Eagles season ended by the Texans

Salado Eagles were knocked out of the 4A baseball playoffs, swept in a best-of-three series by the Wimberley Texans, the second place team in District 28-4A.

Salado 5
 Wimberley 7

Salado Eagles dropped the first game to Wimberley, played at Pflugerville on May 3, even though they took an early lead in the first inning.

With one out in the first, Parker Shelley doubled to center. Rustin Hale walked and David Heath walked to load the bases. Konnor Baird grounded into a fielder's choice that allowed Shelley to score. Hale scored on an error but runners were left on first and third.

Wimberley narrowed the score with a run in the second. The Texans added four runs in the third to take a 5-2 lead over the Eagles. The Texans scored the four runs without the benefit of a hit, utilizing three walks, two batters hit by the pitcher and an error.

The Texans added two more runs in the fifth, taking advantage of two errors and a single for a 7-2 lead.

Salado scored three runs in the top of the sixth. Hale led off with a walk. Heath hit to right, reaching on an error. Caleb Self singled to score Hale. Heath and Self advanced on an error and scored on a single by Nader Smien, who was forced out at second on the next play.

Salado couldn't manage any offense in the seventh to lose the game 7-5.

Salado ends its season with a 14-16-2 record, the third place team in District 27-4A where the Eagles went 5-5.

Wimberley will face Fulshear, the winner in District 25-4A which beat Navasota in the bi-district round.



Konnor Baird struck out five batters and allowed eight hits during game 2 of the playoff series. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Wimberley 3
 Salado 0

The Wimberley Texans and Salado Eagles were scoreless through six innings, but the Eagles gave up three runs in the seventh to lose the second of the best-of-three bi-district series 3-0 on May 4.

Wimberley go runners on base in the first, third and fifth innings, the results of two singles and a double.

With no outs in the fifth, Jack Meisner doubled, but Salado was able to get out of trouble after a flyout to left fielder and a double play on a grounder to third baseman Chase Alexander who threw the batter out at first. First baseman Rustin Hale got the ball back to Alexander in time to tag Meisner out trying to advance on the throw.

In the seventh, Zach Britton singled and Meisner hit a two-run homer to right. Gage Keate got to second base after an error by the left fielder. He scored on a single by Jake Donley for the third run.

The Eagles went down quickly in the bottom of the seventh for the loss.



Dalton Hawes tags out at a Wimberley Texan during game 2 of the playoff series. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Earlier, Salado had runners in scoring position in the second, third and sixth innings.

David Heath and Konnor Baird singled with no outs in the bottom of the second. Runners advanced on a groundout by Caleb Self. Garrett Knight struck out and tried to get to first on the dropped third strike but was thrown out by the catcher. Nader Smien grounded out to first for the third out to leave runners on second and third.

Ethan Scott singled to

lead off the third. He went to second when Dalton Hawes was thrown out at first on a dropped third strike. Scott went to third on a passed ball but Wimberley was able to get the next two outs to end the inning.

Parker Shelley led off the bottom of the sixth with a single and went to second when Hale was hit by the pitcher. Neither runner advanced as Wimberley got three quick outs with a strikeout, a line drive to center and a fly out to right.



Camp Invention returns to SISD (Photo By: Royce Wiggin)

Camp Invention July 15-19

Parents can register their children for the Summer Camp Invention for students in grades K-6. Camp Invention will be held 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. July 15-19 at Thomas Arnold Elementary school cafeteria.

Research has shown that participation in just one week of Camp Invention results in statistically significant short-term and long-term improvements in: Creativity, STEM interest, Collaboration, Problem-solving skills

Recently, creativity has been listed as the number one leadership competency

in an IBM research study, but the World Economic Forum also lists creativity, complex problem solving and coordinating with others among its top 10 skills needed to thrive in the year 2025.

A typical camp day involves three to four STEM based rotation activities led by our own Salado educators. Students are placed into small groups of similar age students in order to ensure a low teacher to student ratio and maximize the learning experience. Lessons and materials are provided by the National

Inventor's hall of fame and encourage the utmost engagement from all varieties of learners. Students begin and end each day at "base camp" where they hear and learn more about the inventors that inspired the day's learning activities and scientific creations.

To learn more about Camp Invention please visit their website at https://www.invent.org/programs/camp-invention

The contact person is Jennifer Winkler at jennifer.winkler@saladoisd.org or 254-947-6925.



Joe Rex



Tana Free



Shannon Heinzen



The 2018 Salado High School Senior Class (above) beat the 2018 Junior Class 14-6 in the Powderpuff Classic last year. Will the Class of 2019 (shown below) get a victory notch in their belt this year? Find out during the Powder Puff Football Classic on May 13, slated for 6 p.m. and will be announced by Uncle Eagle and Coach Barker from schoolboysports.com. Admission in to all games is \$3. (COURTESY PHOTO)



Masonic Lodge honors SISD Teachers of Year

Salado Masonic Lodge #296 will present the Mirabeau B. Lamar medals to three Salado ISD teachers who have been chosen as the Teacher of the Year for their respective campuses.

The medals, along with a plaque and a \$250 check will be given to each of the teachers during a special luncheon noon May 11 at the Salado Civic Center.

Recipients are Joe Rex, Salado High School Teacher of the Year, Tana Free, Salado Junior High Teacher of the Year and Shannon Heinzen, Thomas Arnold Elementary Teacher of the Year.

Family and friends of the teachers have been invited to the luncheon. There is no charge for the luncheon, but public attendees are asked to join the Lodge members in bringing a side dish, salad or dessert for this community celebration of education. The Lodge is supplying barbecue brisket and chicken and side dishes for the luncheon.

For more information, call Secretary Tim Fleischer, 254-458-2643 or email secretary@saladolodge296.com.

ABOUT THE MIRABEAU B. LAMAR MEDAL

Salado Lodge has long been dedicated to public education. Many of its early members came to Salado so their children could attend Salado College, including Col. E.S.C. Robertson, Dr. Welborn Barton, Orville T. Tyler, Robert B. Halley, Dr. B.D. McKie and others.

The Masons of Salado

have raised thousands of dollars for local school organizations, from the band to the art department to the soccer program to the choir and more through chili suppers and fish fries.

When Salado Intermediate School opened, Salado Masonic Lodge donated more than \$5,000 worth of books to help seed the library. When Salado High launched its Soccer program, Salado Lodge donated more than \$2,000 to the fledgling sports program.

Due to the success of the flag program, Salado Masons provide \$5,000 per year in scholarships to graduating Salado seniors, as well as providing \$1,000 per year in back to school supplies for low-income elementary students and donating bikes each year at Christmas for Salado children. A small country lodge dating to 1867, Salado Lodge has given more than \$20,000 in scholarships in recent years.

The Mirabeau B. Lamar medal is named after the Father of Texas Education, who was an early Texas Mason and President of the Republic of Texas.

In his first address to the Congress, he pleaded for the creation of a public school system in Texas. He declared, "If we desire to establish a republican government upon a broad and permanent basis, it will become our duty to adopt a comprehensive and well regulated system of mental and moral culture."

He proposed the set aside of public lands for the creation of a permanent en-

dowment to support public education. His educational views met with the approval of Congress and provisions were made for public education. Congress set aside three leagues (13,285 acres) of land in each county to support primary schools and an additional fifty leagues (221,420 acres) to support two colleges in 1839. In 1840, Congress set aside an additional league for the support of county schools. In addition, they made provisions for the certification of teachers. Once again, many of these legislators were Masons.

While these acts were important in the establishment of public education in Texas, the lasting impact was in the creation of a permanent endowment for the support of public education that lives to this day. Furthermore, Texas was the first state to give state aid to education. In 1854, the State legislature established a permanent school fund and an available school fund to finance the education of the youth of Texas. The "school lands" of Texas continue to provide revenue to the permanent endowment and support common education in Texas and supplement the property taxes dedicated to the school systems.

In 1988, under the leadership of Grand Master Graham Childress, the Lamar Award of Excellence was established. The Lamar Medal is awarded to students and educators in recognition of outstanding personal achievement in academics, citizenship, community service, or sports.

Girls Soccer Superlatives

Avery Wright was named to the 4A All State Soccer team as the first team keeper.

She is joined on the All State team by Grace Graham as the second team defender.

Hannah Reavis received Honorable Mention All State as a midfielder.

Madison Spradlin was named to First Team All Region Forward. Oscar Vargas was named All Region Asst. Coach of Year.

The Salado girls team also had several players named to the All District Soccer team.

Boys Soccer Superlatives

Four Salado Eagles were recently named to the All-Region soccer team with two players named to the first team and two named to the second team.

Caleb Chambliss was named to the First Team All-Region as a Defender.

Alex Pierce was named to the First Team All-Region as a Midfielder

David Chavez was named to the Second Team All-Region as Midfielder.

Javier Chavez was named to the Second Team All-Region as Defender.

The Eagles had several players named to the All District Soccer team.

Nader Smien was the Offensive Player of the Year.

Junior Madison Spradlin was named Offensive MVP. Grace Graham, Defensive MVP, Avery Wright, Goal Keeper MVP, Michael Goos, Co-Coach of the Year and Oscar Vargas, JV Coach of the Year.

Named to the First Team All District: Hannah Reavis, Sam Vargas, Mackenzie Miller and Holly Wright
Named Second Team All District: Allison Carnahan, Presley Maddux and Maria Pauer.

Receiving Honorable Mention were Anna Lesley, Lydia Smith and Aubrey Heffner.

Caleb Chambliss was the Defensive Player of the Year.

Alex Pierce was named the Freshman of the Year.

Jared Cruddas was named Coach of the Year.

The following Salado soccer players were named to the First Team All District: Caleb Chambliss, Nader Smien, Matthew Maldonado and Alex Pierce.

The following Salado players were named to the Second Team All District: Nicholas Lemus, Christ Ortiz and David Chavez.

Receiving Honorable Mention were Cooper Chambliss, Juaquin Tobias and Javier Chavez.



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Mother's Day Menus are sweet in Salado

Several Salado restaurants will have special Mother's Day menus on May 12.

Here is a selection for you to treat your mother to the best Salado has to offer:

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Mother's Day Brunch at Stagecoach Inn will include a cold buffet, hot buffet and attended station for \$44 for adults and \$22 for children ages six and over, children five and under eat for free. The buffet will be served 11 a.m.-3 p.m. May 12. For reservations, call 254-947-5111.

Items on the Cold Buffet are these:

Field Green Salad served with grilled spring vegetables, toppings, dressings.

Seasonal Fruit Salad served with Mixed Berries

and honey poppy seed yogurt

Deviled Eggs with smoked paprika, candied bacon and dill.

Poached Shrimp served with lemon and cocktail sauce

Hot Buffet items are these:

Hickory Smoked Bacon

Andouille Sausage

Buttermilk Biscuits with black pepper gravy

Scrambled Eggs with white cheddar and chives

Strawberry-Lavender

French Toast with maple syrup and whipped cream

Lemon-Pepper Roast

Chicken with grilled onions and parsley salad

Grilled Asparagus with garlic herb butter and tobacco onions

Yukon Gold-Garlic Mashed Potatoes

The attended station will carve Bourbon Brown Sugar Glazed Ham with carrot coleslaw, lemon parsley aioli and Hawaiian rolls.

Desserts will be these.

Pecan Pie with cinnamon whipped cream

Butterscotch Chocolate Brownie

Blackberry Cheesecake

Apple Cobbler

ALEXANDER'S DISTILLERY

Alexander's Distillery will have a prix fixe menu for Mother's Day brunch. Reservations are required at 254-947-3828. The brunch is \$48.95 per adult.

Young adult choices are also available.

First Course Choices

Tomato Gazpacho with basil and toasted pine nuts

Salad of Mixed Greens, Dijon vinaigrette, toasted walnuts, blue cheese crumbles, shredded carrots, cherry tomatoes, bacon lardons

Bacon Wrapped Dates stuffed with brie and apples

Entrée Course Choices

Blackened Mahi-Mahi with cilantro pesto, and a quinoa, mango, cabbage salad, lime vinaigrette

Herb and garlic rubbed pork loin with a maple and fig jus, fontina and beet risotto and stewed beet greens

Roasted Prime Rib of Beef, horseradish mashed potatoes, vegetable potage and red wine reduction sauce (Add \$5.95)

Dessert Choices

Coconut cream pie

Strawberry and rhubarb cake, whipped cream, mint

Raspberry Sorbet



Young Adults (12 & under)

Petit cut of Prime Rib over whipped potatoes, fresh veggies and choice of sauce \$18.95

Crispy Chicken Tenders with Mashed Potatoes, fresh veggies and Honey Mustard dipping sauce \$13.95

Mozzarella & Provolone Cheese Pizza \$10.95

All young adult selections include a Vanilla Bean Ice Cream "Sundae".

THE BARTON HOUSE

The Barton House Restaurant will be open for Mother's Day brunch Mother's Day Lunch 10 a.m.-2 p.m. May 12.

The following menu items will be offered:

Smoked Salmon Benedict: Two poached eggs with smoked salmon, sauteed spinach on challah Toast topped with Hollandaise.

Sweet Chili Chicken and Waffles with Tabasco Maple Syrup.

Cheddar and Bacon Stuffed French Toast topped with Blueberry Maple Syrup

Strawberry and Cream French Toast topped with Strawberries and Romanoff

Cream

Captain Crunch Chicken Tenders with Fries

Chicken Fried Steak: ribeye cutlet served with jalapeno and bacon cream gravy and mashed potato - seasoned vegetables

Stuffed Chicken Maxi Luna with Artichoke, Mushroom, Spinach and Cheese topped with Dijon Parmesan Cream Sauce served with Mashed Potato and Seasoned Vegetables

Pan Seared Tilapia with 2 Shrimp topped with Jalapeno Scampi Sauce served Mashed Potato and Seasoned Vegetables

Grilled Salmon topped with Hollandaise served with Mashed Potato and Seasoned Vegetable

Grilled Ribeye (12 oz.) topped with Red Wine Demi served Mashed Potato and Seasoned Vegetables

Cilantro Pesto Grilled Chicken tossed with Rigatoni in a Parmesan Cream Sauce

Sauteed Shrimp and Fiestita Corn tossed with Pasta in a Scampi Sauce

Lobster Ravioli with Saffron Caper Sauce

Butternut Squash Tortellacci tossed with Green

Apple Sage Pesto topped with Pinenuts and Parmesan Cheese

Prime Tenderloin (6 oz.) with Port Wine Reduction served with Mashed Potato and Seasoned Vegetables

Stuffed Bacon and Cheese Sandwich with Fries Biscuits and Jalapeno and Bacon Gravy

Chicken Tortilla Soup

Barton House Side Salad

Caesar Salad

RAMBLE RESTAURANT

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Ramble will be open for Brunch on Mother's Day, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

In addition to the regular menu, Ramble will be featuring Crab Cake Benedict and Prime Rib.

That evening, Ramble be offering dinner from 5-8 p.m. Reservations can be made at www.ramblerestaurant.com and using the OpenTable link.

Guests can also call 254.308.2006 for reservations.

The Farmhouse Grill will also be open on Sunday, noon-8 p.m. offering the full menu. No reservations are required at The Farmhouse.

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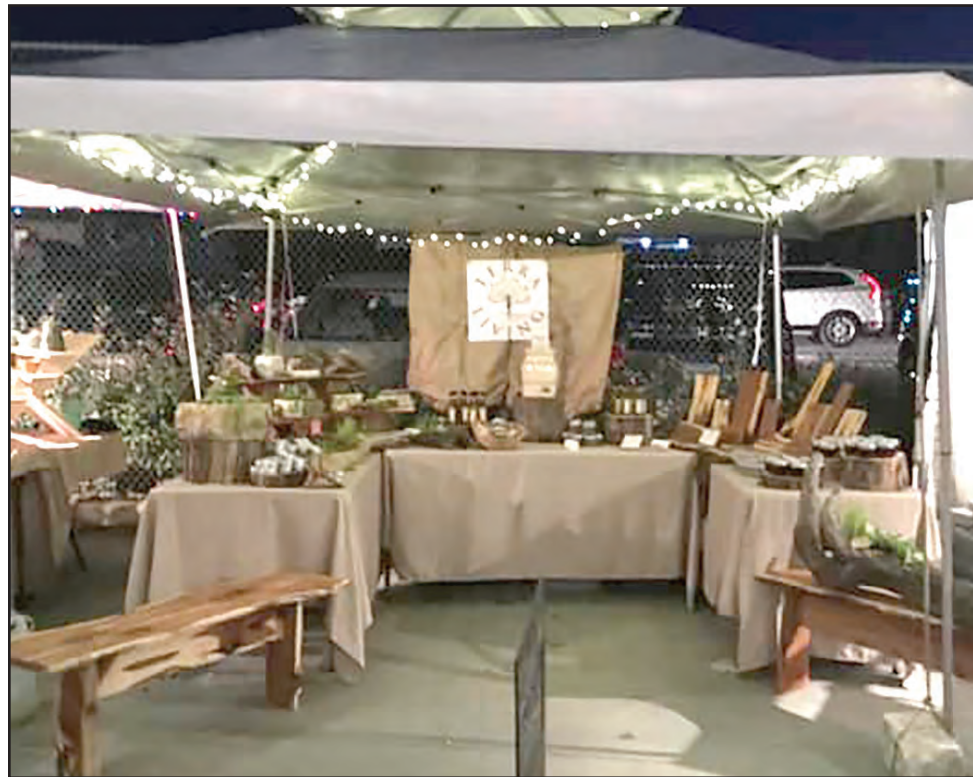
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Salado Market Days returns to the grounds of Salado Antique Mall, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. on May 11 and 12. The monthly event features a selection of special vendors as well as the many vendors inside Salado Antique Mall and Bee's Antiques.



A variety of vendors and food trucks will be on the grounds of Barrow Brewing, May 11 from 4 - 8 p.m. for the Spring Farmers and Makers Market. PHOTO COURTESY TERRA LIVING

Salado Calendar of Events

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

MAY 9
Style Show & Benefit Luncheon, Chisholm Trail ABWA, 10 a.m. at the Blue Heron Room of Tenroc. Tickets: \$30 at Christy's, Magnolia's, Shoppes on Main, Springhouse Emporium and Susan Marie's.

MAY 9
KidZone: Mother's Day Cards, 4 p.m. at Salado Public Library. Ages 5-12

MAY 9
Wine Tastings \$10 at The Barton House

MAY 9
Around the World themed dinner: South Africa, by reservation only at Alexander's Distillery (254) 947-3828

MAY 9
The Run for Beer Group, 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 10
The Brewseam, 4 - 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing. Children will be able to learn and explore through different exhibits from Temple Children's Museum.

MAY 11
Bikes & Brews, 7:30 a.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 11-12
Salado Market Days, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall

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

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

MAY 11
Saturday Storytime: Moms, 11 a.m. at Salado Public Library

MAY 11
Teen Scene: LED Mothers Day Cards, 2:30 p.m. at Salado Public Library

MAY 11
Spring Farmers Market, 4 - 8 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 12
Open discussion Al-Anon Meeting 6 p.m. Salado United Methodist Church Youth Activities Center

MAY 13
Littles Storytime: Bugs, 11 a.m. at Salado Public Library

MAY 13
Salado Village Artists meet: Knitters 1 - 3 p.m. and Stitchers 1:30 - 4 p.m. at Salado Village Artists Building

MAY 13
Power Puff Football Game and Salado 7-on-7 League Championship at SHS Football Practice Field. Grades 5/6 at 5 p.m., Power Puff Games at 6 p.m., grades 7/8 at 7 p.m.

MAY 13
Reception to honor Darrell Street for 15 years service on SISD Board, 5:15 p.m. at Salado Civic Center.

MAY 13
Salado ISD Board of Trustees meeting, 6 p.m. at Salado Civic Center

MAY 13
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.

MAY 13
Salado Chapter of Songsmith, 7-9 p.m. at Salado Public Library. Aspiring songwriters meet monthly for discussion and to share works in progress. info: suheflin@gmail.com

MAY 13
Bikes & Brews, 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 14
Salado Chamber of Commerce Friendship and Coffee networking opportunity, 8 - 9 a.m. at the Visitor Center. RSVP online

MAY 14
Men's Prayer Breakfast, 8 a.m. at the Presbyterian Church of Salado

MAY 14
Salado Village Artists: brush art crafting and needle work, 9 - 11 a.m. at Salado Village Artist building

MAY 14
Salado Ladies Auxiliary meeting 9:30 a.m. Social and 10 a.m. Meeting at Salado Church of Christ Activity Center

MAY 14
Sit and Knit 10 a.m. - noon at Salado Public Library. info: (254) 947-9191

MAY 14
Salado Rotary Club 11:30 a.m. at Johnny's Steaks and Barbecue

MAY 14
Around the World themed diner, by reservation at Alexander's Distillery. Reservations: (254) 947-3828

MAY 14
Salado Community Chorus practice 6 p.m. Salado Civic Center

MAY 14
Texas Moon Domino Tournament, 6 - 9 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

MAY 15
Mah Jongg, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Salado Public Library

MAY 15
RE/MAX Legends Blood Drive, 12:30 - 4:30 p.m. at 805 N Main

MAY 15
Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church of Salado

MAY 15
ESL Classes, 6 p.m. at the Creekside Cottage of Salado First Baptist Church

MAY 16
Salado Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting 8:30 a.m. at Salado Museum Hall

MAY 16
KidZone: Butterfly Canvas paintings, 4 p.m. at Salado Public Library. Ages 5-12

MAY 16
Wine Tastings \$10 at The Barton House

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

MAY 16
Village of Salado Board of Aldermen meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Municipal Building. Includes second public hearing on proposed annexation of SISD properties

MAY 16
The Run for Beer Group, 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 18
Bikes & Brews, 7:30 a.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 18
Half Price Antiques Sale, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Salado Museum

MAY 18
Trudy's Closet 10 a.m. - noon at Grace Church

MAY 18
Saturday Storytime: Bugs, 11 a.m. at Salado Public Library

MAY 18
Family Movie: Aladdin, 1 p.m. at Salado Public Library

MAY 18
Teen Scene: Popsicle Stick Bracelets, 2:30 p.m. at Salado Public Library

MAY 18
Spring Farmers Market, 4 - 8 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 18
Reception to honor Michael McDougal and Andy Jackson for service on Salado Board of Alderman, 6 p.m. at the Village of Salado Municipal Building

MAY 18
Village of Salado Board of Alderman meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Village of Salado Municipal Building

MAY 19
Art Opening Reception with Stephen King, 3 - 5 p.m. at Salado Winery Company

MAY 19
Open discussion Al-Anon Meeting 6 p.m. Salado United Methodist Church Youth Activities Center

MAY 20
Littles Storytime: Pandas, 11 a.m. at Salado Public Library

MAY 20
Salado Village Artists meet: Knitters 1 - 3 p.m. and Stitchers 1:30 - 4 p.m. at Salado Village Artists Building

MAY 20
Salado United Methodist Women 5:45 p.m. at Salado United Methodist Church Room 117

MAY 20
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.

MAY 20
Salado Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting 4 p.m. at the library

MAY 20
Bikes & Brews, 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

MAY 21
Men's Prayer Breakfast, 8 a.m. at the Presbyterian Church of Salado

MAY 21
Salado Village Artists: brush art crafting and needle work, 9 - 11 a.m. at Salado Village Artist building

MAY 21
Sit and Knit 10 a.m. - noon at Salado Public Library. info: (254) 947-9191

MAY 21
Salado Rotary Club 11:30 a.m. at Johnny's Steaks and Barbecue

MAY 21
Salado Community Chorus practice 6 p.m. Salado Civic Center

MAY 21
Bell County Genealogical Society Meeting 6:30 p.m. at Temple Public Library

MAY 22
Salado Lions Club 11:30 a.m. Salado Civic Center

MAY 22
Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church of Salado

MAY 22
ESL Classes, 6 p.m. at the Creekside Cottage of Salado First Baptist Church

MAY 23
KidZone: Popsicle Stick Stars, 4 p.m. at Salado Public Library. Ages 5-12

MAY 23
Wine Tastings \$10 at The Barton House

Live Music in Salado



May 11 Barrow Brewing Co presents local favorite Benjamin' (top) at 4 p.m. and The Lost Project (bottom) at 7 p.m.



SATURDAY
Benjamin', 4 p.m. at Barrow Brewing
Aaron Watson, 6 p.m. at Johnny's Outback
The Lost Project, 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

SUNDAY
Wes Perryman, 3 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

MAY 17
Denny Cullinan, 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

MAY 18
David Johnson 4 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

MAY 19
Kady Rain, 3 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

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Aaron Watson

Aaron Watson returns to Johnny's Outback

Aaron Watson will take the stage at Johnny's Outback on May 11. Tickets are available online at johnny-ssteaksandbbq.com for \$30 per person. Tickets will be available on the day of the show for \$35. Reserved lawn chair seats are \$50.

Mason Lively and Colby Cooper will open the show for Watson.

Aaron Watson isn't interested in what someone else thinks he should do. But instead of getting lonely as he sidesteps expectations, he's gaining followers—hundreds of thousands of them. Delivered with a warm smile and fueled by a wild spirit, Watson's rebellion echoes the land that helped make him.

Watson remains strikingly similar to the people that still dot his native West Texas. They're a rugged people, proud of home but humble and hardworking, the first to help a neighbor but also fiercely independent. And Watson is unquestionably one of them.

"I've always considered myself an anti-rock star," Watson says, his drawl cracking slightly as he grins. "People don't like me because I'm a rock star. People like me because I'm just like them."

Throughout his 17-year career that spans a dozen albums and more than 2,500 shows throughout the U.S. and Europe, 39-year-old Watson has stubbornly and sincerely identified with the everyman—even as he's proven to be the exception to the rule.

The latest evidence of Watson's homespun singularity is *Vaquero*, an ambitious 16-song set of character-driven storytelling, level-headed cultural commentary, and love songs for grown-ups that promise to further solidify his status as one of today's finest torch-bearers of real country music.

Vaquero is the follow-up to 2015's *The Underdog*, an acclaimed collection that also made history. Watson was sitting at his kitchen table as his wife Kim scrambled eggs when he got the call: *The Underdog* had debuted at No. 1 on the Billboard Country Albums Chart. It was the first time an independent, male country artist had ever outsold majors to premiere at the

top spot. "We started jumping around and squealing like kids," he says. "It was a beautiful moment because I got to share it with the girl who believed in me when I was broke and playing some pawnshop guitar. It is something I'll never forget." That momentous instant also arrived with a built-in challenge. "Once we dried the tears of joy, it hit me," Watson says. "I had my work cut out for me for my next album."

Determined, Watson committed to waking up every morning before the sun rose to write songs on that same old pawnshop guitar he scored 20 years ago. "I bet you I couldn't get \$50 for that guitar," he says. "But it means the world to me." He penned songs in the back of a bus on the highway, too, as the band spent the last two years playing more than 35 states and six countries.

The result is *Vaquero*, a bold album that confidently draws from Texas' storied musical melting pot: dancehall shuffles, dustbowl narratives, Tejano, and more fill the record.

In writing the new album, Watson felt especially drawn to the idea of the vaquero, the original Spanish horseman that set the foundation for the North American cowboy, a solitary figure with a legendary work ethic. Watson is a modern-day vaquero—he just gets up at 5 a.m. to wrangle songs instead of cattle. And while he won't deny the pressure he felt following his last album's success, outside barometers can't compel him to change who he is or what he writes. Watson is Watson, chart-topping record or not.

"This is the first album I've ever made where if it's the last album I ever make, I could be content with that," Watson says of *Vaquero*.

One listen and it's easy to understand why. Album opener "Texas Lullaby" pays lilting homage both to home and to the bravery of the young heroes fighting wars. Deep connections to place and family course throughout the record. Sing-along "These Old Boots Have Roots" celebrates new love by offering promises grounded in the honor and grace of past generations. A fiddle accents Watson's lines playfully then esca-

lates to a hopeful roar.

Romance is a central theme of the album, but Watson isn't interested in adding to the steady stream of hook-up anthems coming out of Music Row. Watson's love songs are celebrations of monogamy and the bonds that only time, mutual respect, and persistence can build. The swinging, fiddle-soaked "Take You Home Tonight" anticipates a steamy night in, while "Run Wild Horses" is a passionate ode to lovemaking featuring a standout vocal performance from Watson, whose laid-back croon lets loose and soars. Infectious first single "Outta Style" and shuffling "Be My Girl Tonight" both praise staying power and explore how to protect it.

Watson revels in another kind of love on the album closer, "Diamonds & Daughters." Two years ago, his then four-year-old daughter asked him to write her a song for his next record. "I thought it sure would be special if I could write her a song right now that we could dance to at her wedding someday," he says. That's exactly what he did. A tender look at the past, present, and future, the song will undoubtedly touch every parent and daughter who hears it.

The title track is an accordion-fueled joy, buoyed by Watson's delivery of life lessons courtesy of an old vaquero sitting alone at a bar. "Mariano's Dream" and "Clear Isabel" are companion pieces, placed back-to-back to stunning cinematic effect. Plaintive instrumental "Mariano's Dream" kicks off the experience, haunting and sad as an acoustic guitar carries listeners through a lush Tex-Mex soundscape. The song then segues into "Clear Isabel," and listeners soon discover the Mariano named in the previous track is father to Isabel. A story of sacrifice and heartbreak, "Clear Isabel" imbues the souls who choose to cross a river in search of safety with the dignity and beauty they deserve. "It's one of my favorite moments on the record," Watson says. "I feel like if I could play Guy Clark that song, he'd smile."

"They Don't Make 'Em Like They Used To" begins as warm nostalgia, and oth-

er comforts before intensifying into no mere stroll down memory lane, but an increasingly indignant rant, capturing the hurt and anger of a country that's currently reeling politically and socially. "I think it might be the best song I've ever written," Watson says.

Refusing to worry about charts or current trends, Watson hopes the main thing *Vaquero* accomplishes is bringing his growing legion of fans joy. And no matter what happens next, he is anchored and ready. "It doesn't really matter whether I'm playing a dancehall in Texas or a stadium tour around the world, I'm just me," he says. "I won't change. I'm just too rooted in what I believe in. When you've played for such a long time to nobody, now that there's somebody, you really don't take that for granted."

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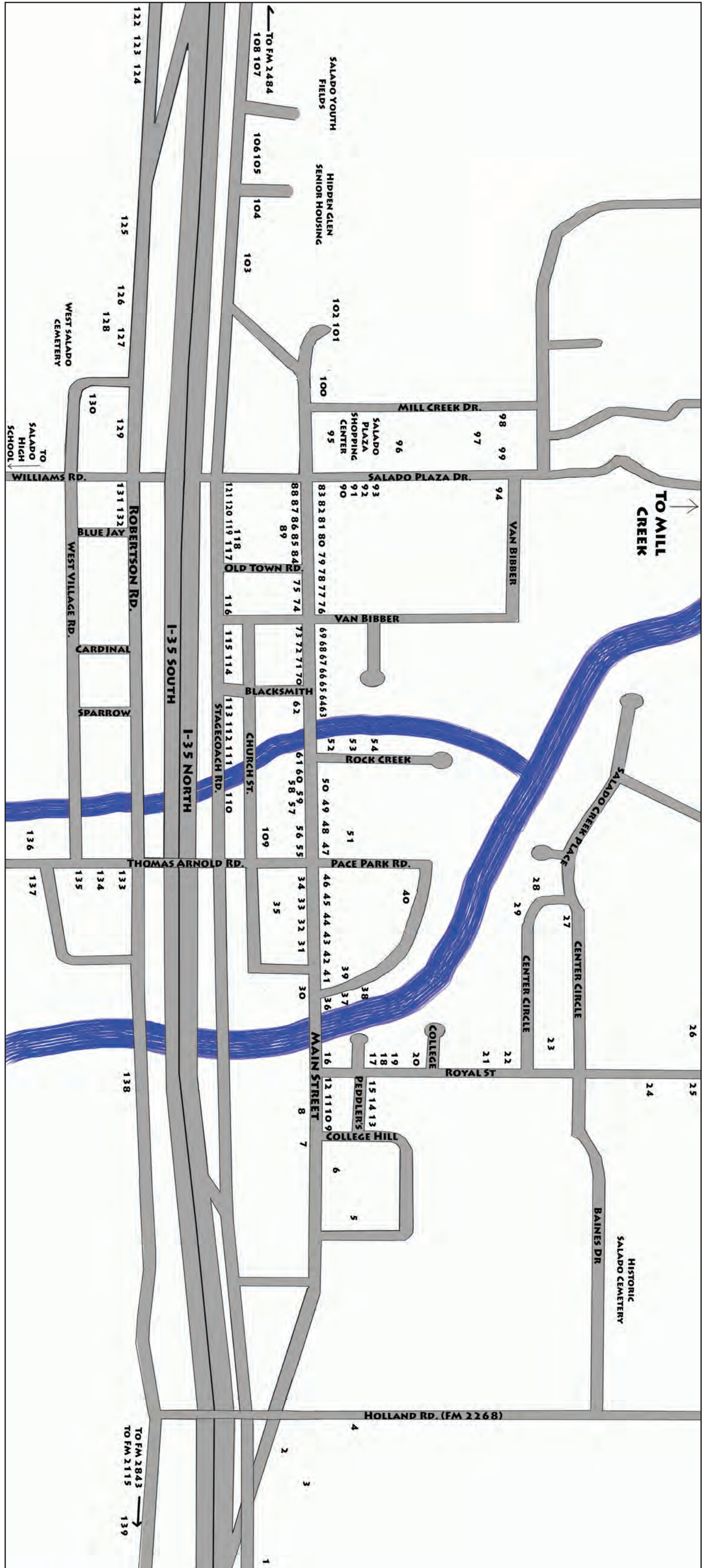
Shopping Map of Salado

Map Legend

- S** Shopping
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- L** Lodging
- D** Dining and Drinks
- V** Venues & Sights
- \$** Services
- C** Churches and Education

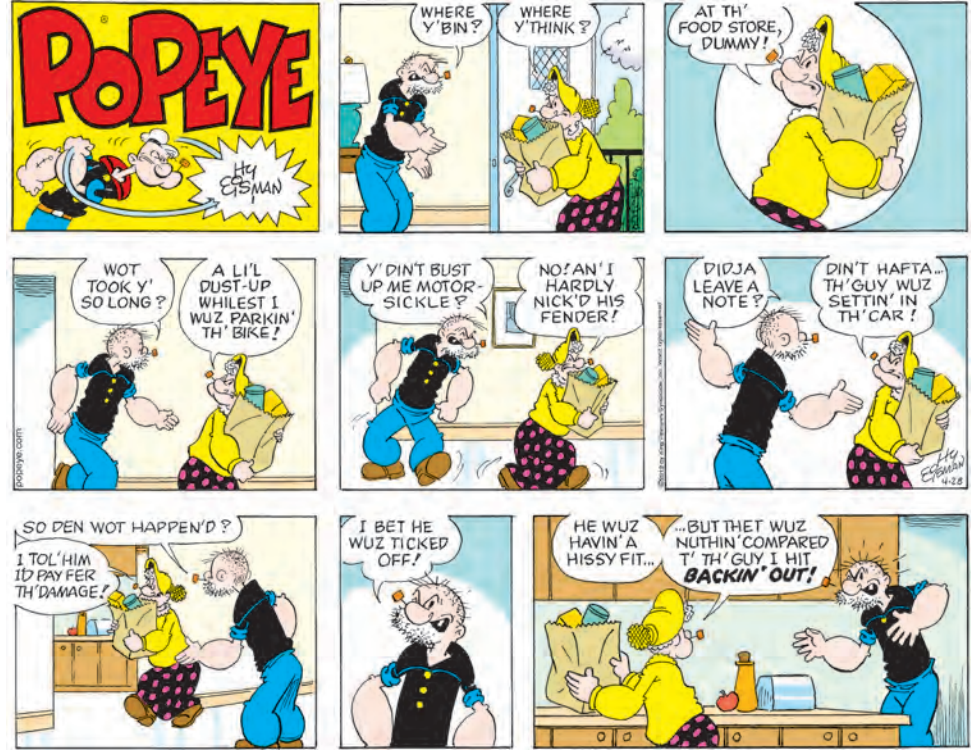
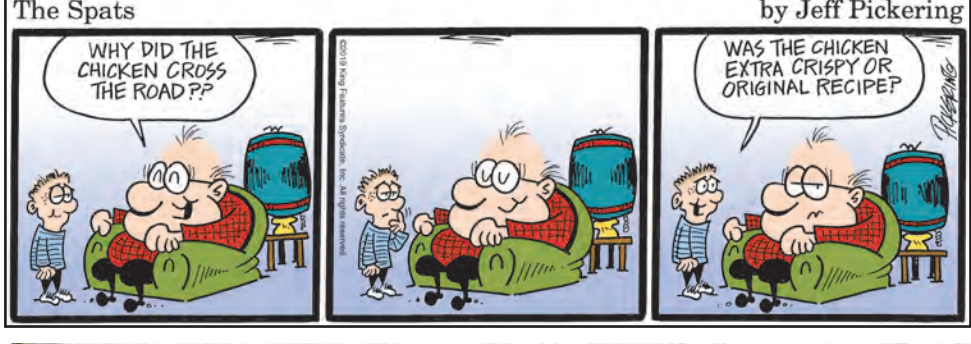
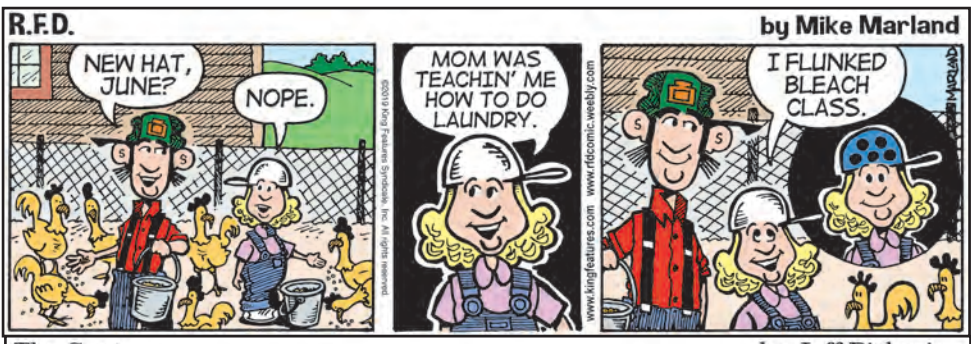
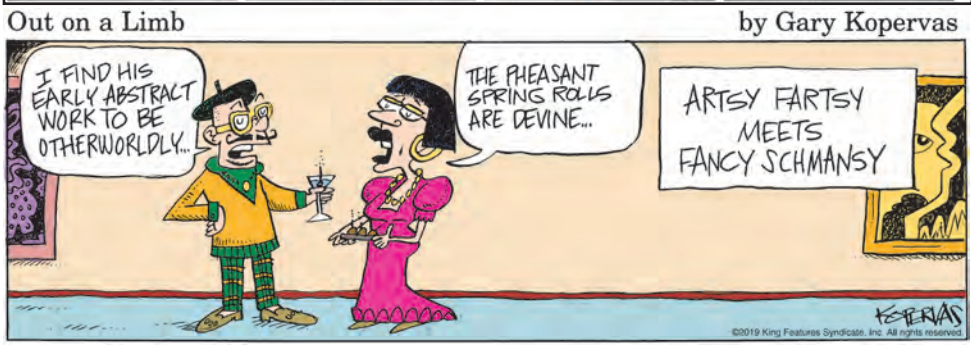
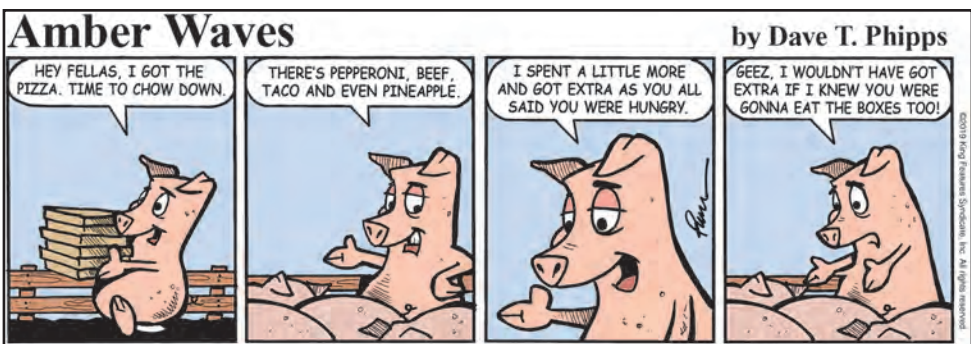
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- 4 St. Stephen Catholic Church C
- 6 Salado College Park V
- 7 Raney & Associates \$
- 9 Salado Museum V
- Salado Visitors Center \$
- Salado Chamber of Commerce \$
- Village of Salado Tourism Office \$
- 10 Sofi's S
- 14 Salado Glassworks A
- 16 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 \$
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- 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 \$
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- 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
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- 130 Village Spirits S
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- Not Shown on the Shopping Map**
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- Grace Baptist Church C
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- Sylvia's at the Club D



Historical Markers in Salado

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



Contract Bridge

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North-South vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ Q 9 5 2
♥ 7 3
♦ A 8 4
♣ A K 7 3

WEST

♠ 8 6
♥ K 10 8 5
♦ Q J 9
♣ Q 9 6 2

EAST

♠ 7
♥ J 9 6 4 2
♦ 10 5 3 2
♣ J 10 5

SOUTH

♠ A K J 10 4 3
♥ A Q
♦ K 7 6
♣ 8 4

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 ♣	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	4 NT	Pass
5 ♥	Pass	5 NT	Pass
6 ♦	Pass	6 ♠	

Opening lead — queen of diamonds.

Suppose you're declarer at six spades and West leads the queen of diamonds. How would you play the hand?

When the deal occurred, South won the diamond with the king, cashed the A-K of spades and A-K of clubs and ruffed a club. He then crossed to dummy with a spade and ruffed dummy's last club.

At this point, declarer led a diamond

to the ace and exited with a third diamond, hoping West would have to win the trick. If he did, West would have no choice but to yield a ruff-and-discard or return a heart into the A-Q. Either way, South would avoid a heart loser and so make the slam.

However, West, who had been paying close attention to the proceedings, did not cooperate with declarer's plan. When the second round of diamonds was led to the ace at trick nine, West put up his jack. East was then able to win the third diamond with the ten and return a heart to scuttle the slam.

South had basically the right idea, but his sequence of plays had a serious flaw: He had openly telegraphed his intentions and thus made it easier for West to find the winning counterplay.

A far better approach is to win the diamond queen with the king and return a diamond to the ace at trick two. West would have to be very inspired to play his jack at this early stage. If he instead makes the almost automatic play of following suit with the nine, he is a dead duck. Declarer proceeds more or less as before, and finishes with 12 tricks.

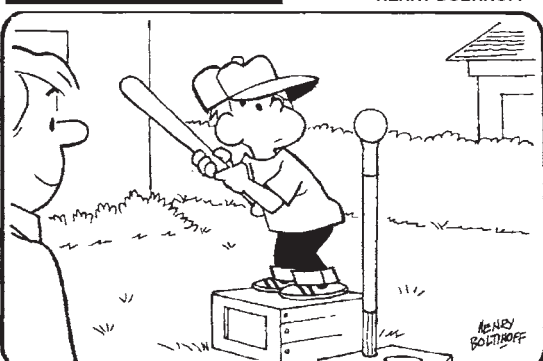
The low diamond play at trick two should be made before West has any idea of what's going on. It's hard for him to know so early in the play that the crucial point has already been reached, and he should be put to that test as soon as possible.

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by Steve Becker

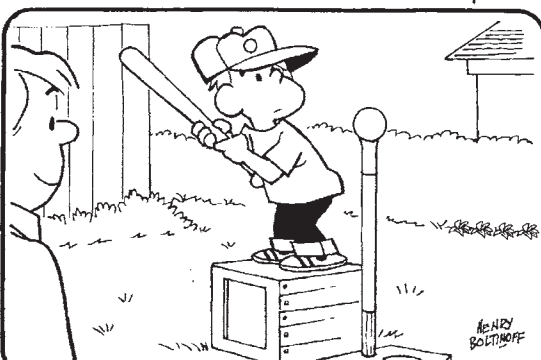
HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF



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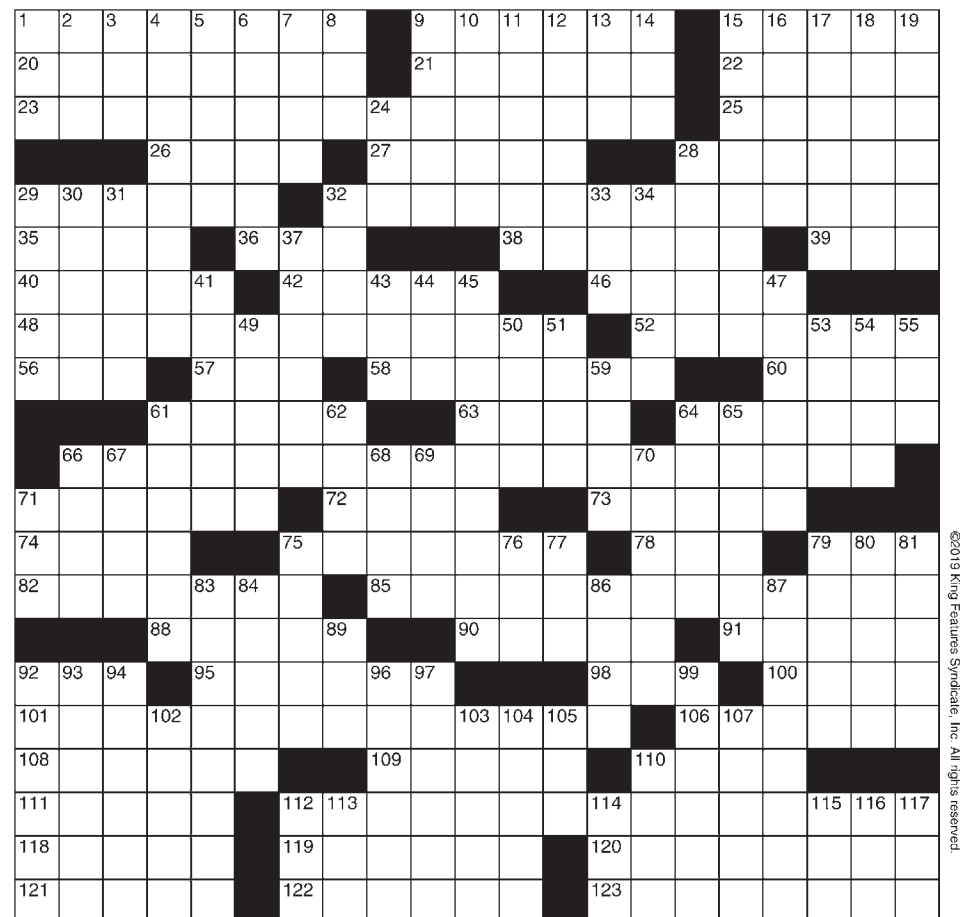


Differences: 1. Boy's hat is different. 2. Man's nose is smaller. 3. Fence replaces house on left. 4. Box is taller. 5. Plants added on the right. 6. Window is missing.

Super Crossword

DIVIDING EXPERIMENT

- ACROSS**
- 1 Simulates, as an event
 - 9 Employ anew
 - 15 Barely visible
 - 20 Dirigible pilot
 - 21 Cuts into
 - 22 The "O" of TV's OWN
 - 23 Changing from one form of matter to another
 - 25 Unrestrained
 - 26 Hollywood's Harper
 - 27 2006 Supreme Court appointee
 - 28 Ballerina Alicia
 - 29 "Tapestry" singer King
 - 32 Eons ago
 - 35 Son on "Family Ties"
 - 36 —-fi movie
 - 38 Fund held in trust
 - 39 Cow's mouthful
 - 40 Kindled anew
 - 42 Linda of "Dynasty"
 - 46 Bongos, e.g.
 - 48 Of the study of the hair and scalp
 - 52 Mine transports
 - 56 Abbr. at the end of a list
 - 57 Road groove
 - 58 North Carolinian, informally
 - 60 Puts to work
 - 61 "Reward" for awful service
 - 63 French for "eye"
 - 64 Road
 - 66 Annual movie event in Lower Manhattan
 - 71 U.S. pres. George (#41 as opposed to #43)
 - 72 Lounge lazily
 - 73 Agatha Christie's "There Is —"
 - 74 Voting no
 - 75 Loss of recollections
 - 78 Home for mil. planes
 - 79 Machines next to mice
 - 82 Actress Sarah of "American Crime Story"
 - 85 Starter or finish judge at a meet, e.g.
 - 88 "Woo-hoo!"
 - 90 Docking site
 - 91 Spanish wavy mark
 - 92 27-Across' first name, for short
 - 95 Kind of tire
 - 98 Pack animal
 - 100 Cooking fat
 - 101 Having depth as well as length and width
 - 106 Is abrasive
 - 108 Kiddie-lit "pest"
 - 109 Observed secretly
 - 110 Minnesota's state bird
 - 111 On top of
 - 112 Action short of a divorce ... or what occurs in six long answers in this puzzle?
 - 118 More sage
 - 119 Red-brown
 - 120 Nullified
 - 121 Wound vestiges
 - 122 Sets foot in
 - 123 Exonerated
- DOWN**
- 1 Traitor
 - 2 Suffix with cannon
 - 3 Piece of the past
 - 4 Not poisonous
 - 5 Actor Elgort
 - 6 Produces decorative spiral lines
 - 7 Bath locales
 - 8 Holy figures: Abbr.
 - 9 Sphere
 - 10 Bud of Bert
 - 11 Real good-looker
 - 12 Turns of phrase
 - 13 "Stuck" actor Stephen
 - 14 Class for U.S. aliens
 - 15 "Go where I go"
 - 16 "What — excuse for ..."
 - 17 Paradoxical
 - 18 Capital of the Bahamas
 - 19 It's rung out on New Year's Eve
 - 24 Mai —
 - 28 Love, in Nice
 - 29 — blanche
 - 30 Advisory
 - 31 Piece of the past
 - 32 DVR brand
 - 33 Livy's 1,400
 - 34 Flynn of old movies
 - 37 Welsh, e.g.
 - 41 Is pounding
 - 43 Actor's rep.
 - 44 Hollywood's Vardalos
 - 45 Tool for cutting decorative spiral lines
 - 47 Snaky shape
 - 49 Not inner
 - 50 "Excuse me"
 - 51 Ericson of exploration
 - 53 On a cruise
 - 54 Line winder
 - 55 Old JFK jet
 - 59 Zeno of — (philosopher)
 - 61 Ex — (from nothing)
 - 62 Date tree
 - 64 Inflexible
 - 65 Morsel
 - 66 Fish that's a sushi staple
 - 67 Q-V link
 - 68 It might have serifs
 - 69 Robert of "The Sopranos"
 - 70 Groups of employees
 - 71 Protestant denom.
 - 75 Battery end
 - 76 I, in German
 - 77 Alias lead-in
 - 79 Rice-and-broth dish
 - 80 Training unit
 - 81 Luges, e.g.
 - 83 Group associated with red fezzes
 - 84 McCain's 2008 rival
 - 86 Spoken
 - 87 Salsa herb
 - 89 — and yang
 - 92 Drink inserts
 - 93 Language of the Koran
 - 94 Brunch drink
 - 96 Help
 - 97 Fat-breakdown enzyme
 - 99 Goal getter
 - 102 Delaware's capital
 - 103 Ship of the Middle East
 - 104 Jays' homes
 - 105 Suffix with cannon
 - 107 Stockpile
 - 110 Liquid rock
 - 112 Two plus one, in Turin
 - 113 Trot quickly
 - 114 Mom's male
 - 115 Ca++ or Cl-
 - 116 Lyrical verse
 - 117 Beauty of "Network"



Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- LITERATURE: Which one of Charles Dickens' novels features a character named Pip?
- TELEVISION: Who played the title role in the 1970-80s sitcom "Alice"?
- ANATOMY: Which part of the brain regulates homeostasis of wake/sleep cycles, hunger and thirst?
- U.S. STATES: What is the capital of Washington state?
- MYTHOLOGY: What was the name of the Roman equivalent of the Greek goddess Aphrodite?
- GEOLOGY: Diamonds are most-ly made of which element?
- HISTORY: In which American city did the Great Molasses Flood occur in 1919?
- THEATER: Which long-running musical features the character Fanny Brice?
- ACRONYMS: What does the acronym "ROYGBIV" stand for?
- FOOD & DRINK: What is ciabatta?

Answers

- "Great Expectations"
- Linda Lavin
- Hypothalamus
- Olympia
- Venus
- Carbon
- Boston
- "Funny Girl"
- Color sequence of the rainbow (Red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet)
- Type of Italian bread

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Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

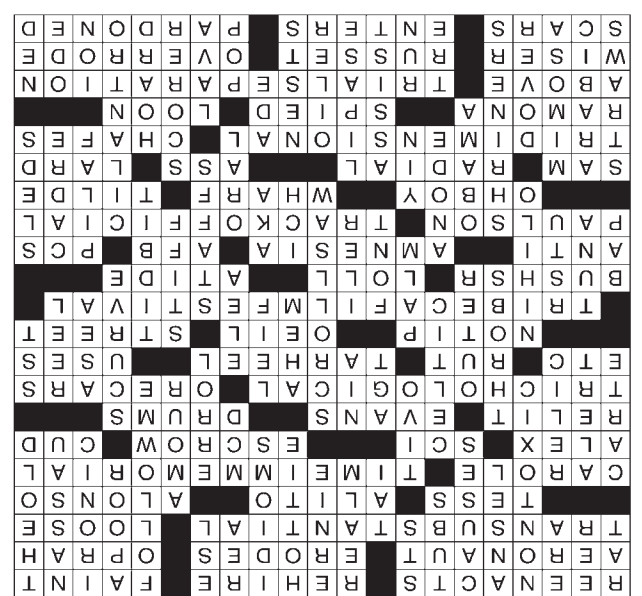
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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Answers

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Axis Deer are native to India

People ask me why I take the time every week to write this column. For me, it is about sharing my passion with folks about the natural world right here. People have always had a fascination with “exotic” animals, often overlooking those creatures that are just as pretty, endearing and interesting that may be found in their own backyard. However, sometimes I write about animals that, while not native, have been established here long enough for them to be readily observed. One of these creatures is a species of deer from India, and that hooved mammal is known as the Axis Deer.

Axis Deer (*Cervus axis*) are hooved mammals that look superficially like a native White-tailed Deer that is covered with spots. The coloration in adults ranges primarily from a light burgundy to dark brown on the upperparts. This coloration allows for the numerous, randomly placed white spots to be easily seen. Additionally, there is a dark stripe that runs lengthwise down the spine from the back of the neck to just shy of the tail tip. The underparts, save a small brown patch on the throat, is white. Male Axis Deer have very distinctive antlers that have



Axis Deer

Wild About Texas
 Michael Price

three times on each antler. These slender antlers can extend upwards of 2 feet behind the head. Under normal circumstances, females lack these antlers, although rarely some females will be adorned with extremely short stubs.

The Axis Deer is relatively small as adult males are typically just over 5 feet in total length (with a comparatively petite – 8 inch – tail) and a maximum weight of just under 165 pounds. Like other species of deer, female Axis Deer are somewhat smaller than the males, topping out at a maximum weight of 100 pounds. Full size is not attained until males are 5 years old; for females it is 6 years.

Not native to this continent, the Axis Deer originated from India. At one time, it was a very common sight in the open plains; however, due to overhunting and habitat degradation, this species is not nearly as common as it once was in its native land.

In 1932, the first Axis Deer were introduced into Texas. Since that time, it has been estimated that the current statewide population is well over 15,000 free-roaming individuals. Most of these individuals reside within the confines of the Edwards Plateau, and at that, most are on private ranches behind very high fences.

This species is quite sociable with herds of up to 100 individuals being reported on a regular basis. These herds are generally led by a mature doe. Males are a part of these herds, even when the herd is comprised of several juveniles. This is a behavioral trait unlike our native species of deer.

Breeding season usually begins in mid-May and extends through August with the majority of reproductive activity being in June and July. The long gestation period is typically about 7 months, and a single fawn is produced from each mat-

ing. The mothers will hide their helpless young and return to them to nurse periodically throughout the day. At one week, the young will begin to walk on their own but will not begin to graze independently until they are over 5 weeks of age. The young will begin to be weaned when they are around 6 months of age. Sexual maturity is ordinarily reached at about 15 months of age in females. Full size is not attained

The diet of the Axis Deer varies from season to season, but its favorites include short-length grasses such as Little Bluestem and Switchgrass. Brush is also favored in the spring, and many individuals take a liking to young live oak, sumac, and hackberry.

Whereas most of the Texas Axis Deer population resides on private ranches behind high fencing, there are small populations that are free-ranging. Although seemingly minute, the effects of these non-native free-ranging populations on native deer and plants has yet to be fully determined and deserves close monitoring.



Reserve your “Blow Your Own” Date Night experience at Salado Glassworks

STORY BY JESSICA MALL

First dates. Blind Dates. Girl’s and guy’s night out: Whatever the date occasion, there’s always fun to be had when it happens at Salado Glassworks.

Guests at Date Night event will be given a complimentary adult beverage and custom glasses in which to drink them, not to mention local swag and a chance to spend more time with our talented team. Our artists will help you and a friend blow your own handmade glass bowl (one per couple) with up to three colors of your choice.

Online reservations are open at the Salado Glassworks website www.saladoglassworks.com, where you can purchase a “Blow Your Own” Date Night experience for adults and couples 21 years and older.

Reservations cost \$150 per couple; Couples and friends can create lasting unique memories of this incredible artistic process. Glassblowers ages 21 and older can actually participate firsthand in blowing their own glass bowl. For this event, a pre-made glass drinking vessel and other local perks are included in the price.

How does it work? With the help of Salado Glassworks’ professional artists, after the initial gather of hot glass participants use their breath to blow, reheat, and help the Salado Glassworks artist select tools to shape the bowl. The customer may pick three colors to craft their glass bowl at a more laid back pace to work with the artist and enjoy the evening.

Online reservations are required for the “Blow Your

Own” Date Night event, and spaces quickly fill. Don’t miss your chance to give the gift of a lasting memory to yourself and loved ones. This is an adult event and ages 21 and older are welcome. Dates are available May 10, 11, 17 and 18 between 5:30 and 8 p.m. for each 30 minute session.

Salado Glassworks is a Central Texas-based glass blowing shop that provides enthusiasts an intimate experience with the ancient craft of glassblowing. Inside the fully operational studio is an art gallery featuring one-of-a-kind, handcrafted works of all shapes and colors. From custom art to mugs, sippers, tumblers and pendant lights, Salado Glassworks offers both a wide selection and an exclusive experience.

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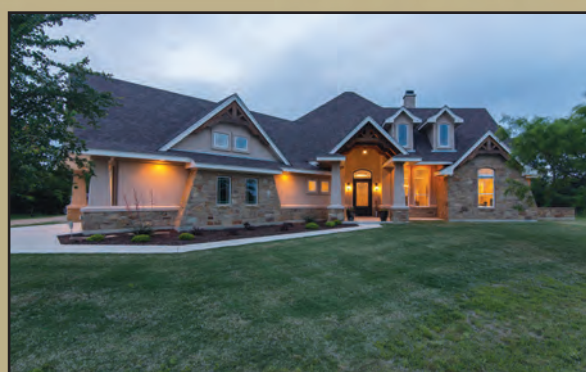
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Now that tax season is over, it's probably a good time to evaluate some financial "best practices" for the rest of the year. A good spring-cleaning can clear out the clutter to let you see a clear path for your future. Social Security is always here to help. Even if you just started working, now is the time to start preparing for retirement. Achieving the dream of a secure, comfortable retirement is much easier with a strong financial plan.

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