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Salado Village Voice: always independent, family-owned

While the *Salado Village Voice* is not the first newspaper in Salado, it has had the longest life-span, since being founded in 1979. The Fleischer family bought the newspaper in 1988, marking 32 years in Salado in Spring 2020.

When historian Dayton Kelley published the first edition of the *Salado Village Voice* on February 17, 1979, it was the first time in more than 100 years that the village had a newspaper.

The first newspaper known to be published in the village was the *Salado Newsletter*. Published by E.W. Billings, the first edition came out on August 25, 1874. Only one copy of the newspaper exists at the newspaper collection of the University of Texas at Austin.

The Grange published another newspaper, *The Texas Farmer* in Salado, but it was later moved to Dallas.

Reference to a third Salado newspaper has been found on a letterhead in the Rose Papers at the University of Texas at Austin. The *Salado Sentinel* was published by A.S. Hornbeck. No copies of the *Salado Sentinel* are known to exist today.

Salado Village Voice founder Dayton Kelley was a native of Bell County, a journalist and a historian. He taught journalism at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor for 12 years before accepting a position as Director of the Texas Collection at Baylor University in Waco.

After Dayton passed away, his sons Dennis and Bill ran the *Salado Village Voice*, selling it to the Fleischer family in 1988.

Since the Fleischer family purchased the newspaper, a week has not passed that the newspaper has not published. Tim and Marilyn Fleischer purchased the newspaper outright in the early 1990s.

The newspaper is four sections and full color throughout. *Salado Village Voice* has published the quarterly magazine **Salado: A Jewel in the Crown of Texas** for more than 25 years.

Salado Village Voice launched its website as a compliment to its weekly newspaper and quarterly magazine. When you visit saladovillagevoice.com, you will find breaking news, the latest Calendar of Events and information on many of the events in Salado.

See You in Salado

Advertise in the next edition of
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Second Quarter 2020 deadline is **Feb. 6**

Third Quarter 2020 deadline is **May 7**

Fourth Quarter 2020 deadline is **Aug. 8**

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Calendar of Events

January 8

Young Writers Contest. Call 254-947-9205 during the window of January 1-8 for submittal guidelines. Poetry is due to Teri Seaton at Salado High School or to Jackie Mills at Tablerock by January 8.

January 9

Priests Pints series on the Epiphany, 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co., featuring Father John Williams, Saint Joseph Episcopal Church.

January 9

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

January 11-13

Salado Market Days 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall 721 Stagecoach Road. Salado's original Market Days event.

January 16

Priests Pints series on the Epiphany, 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co., featuring Pastor Gerry Harrow of Fortress Church.

January 23

Priests Pints series on the Epiphany, 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co., featuring Tyler Fletcher speaking on the Epiphany reflected in Texas stained glass.

January 24-26

Stagecoach Wine Trail - Ten Central Texas Wineries host a self-guided tour stretching from Salado to Waco to Clifton. Passport: \$29.95

January 24

Fourth Friday Gospel Singing 7 p.m. at First Cedar Valley Baptist Church, FM 2843. Pot luck to follow. Bring a favorite dish or dessert.

January 24-25

Salado Glassworks Valentine's Blow Your Own event. After-hours Date Night too. saladoglassworks.com for reservations.

January 30

Priests Pints series on the Epiphany, 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co., featuring Father David Peters of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, church planter.

January 30

Salado Chamber of Commerce awards banquet at Tenroc Ranch.

January 31-February 1

Salado Glassworks Valentine's Blow Your Own event. After-hours Date Night too. saladoglassworks.com for reservations.

February 1-2

Auditions: Salado Legends, 3 p.m. at Tablerock. Auditions for over 100 men, women and children, tech and behind the scene workers. Rehearsals begin June 10. No compensation, scholarships available. info: (254) 947-9205

February 6

Central Texas Poetry and Prose Readings, 7 p.m. at Tablerock for the 13th annual gathering of poets for the 2020 Anthology titled Animal Tales. Thom the World Poet is the fun-loving, talented host! For annual poetry guidelines contact tablerock1@aol.com before the end of January 2020.

February 7-8

Salado Glassworks Valentine's Blow Your Own event. After-hours Date Night too. saladoglassworks.com for reservations.

February 8-9

Salado Market Days 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall 721 Stagecoach Road. Salado's original Market Days event. info: (254) 947-3355

February 14

Special Valentines Day Dinners at fine dining restaurants in Salado. Book early!

- Alexander's Distillery. Reservations:(254) 947-5554.
- Hunter Gatherer Restaurant: (254) 947-5554.
- The Barton House, reservations, (254) 947-0441.
- Stagecoach Inn, reservations, (254) 947-5111.

February 14-15

Salado Glassworks Valentine's Blow Your Own event. After-hours Date Night too. saladoglassworks.com for reservations.

February 21-22

Blow Your Own beer mugs for Saint Patrick's Day. Reservations at saladoglassworks.com.

February 25

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

February 28

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

February 28

Fourth Friday Sip N Shop. Many shops open late throughout Salado.

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Fourth Friday Gospel Singing 7 p.m. at First Cedar Valley Baptist Church, FM 2843. Pot luck to fol-



You'll want to sink it during the 25th Annual Denver Mills Golf Tournament at Mill Creek benefiting Tablerock Festival on March 16. \$100 per player with shotgun start at 1 p.m. Call Denver at 254-541-4830 for information and reservations.

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February 28-29

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March 6-7

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March 12

Around the World themed dinner: Russia, by reservation at Alexander's Distillery. Reservations: (254) 947-3828 March 13-14

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March 16

Denver Mills 25th Annual Golf Tournament to Benefit Tablerock. Mill Creek Golf Course, Salado, Texas. \$100 entry fee. Shotgun start at 1 p.m.. For reservations call Denver Mills 254-541-4830, Letta Meinen 254-947-8073, or Tablerock at 254-947-9205.

March 20-21

Northbound and Down Music Festival at Barrow Brewing Co.

March 26

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

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March 28-29

Texas Wine Fest and Rogue Art Show, Salado Winery Co. grounds, 841 N. Main St.

March 28-29

Annual Wildflower Art Fair & Festival, Salado Civic Center, salado.com.

March 29

Annual Wild Game Dinner at Tenroc Ranch, benefiting Salado United Methodist Church ministries. Donations at door accepted.

April 3-5

The 43rd Annual Texas Packard Meet. Go to texaspackardmeet.org for more info

April 4

Four-year Anniversary at Barrow Brewing Co., 108 Royal St.

April 12

Special Easter at fine dining restaurants in Salado. Book early!

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Above is an early-day bridge over Salado Creek. (Archive photo)

Bridges across Salado Creek

For several years after the town was laid out, the citizens of Salado crossed the shallow creek by stepping from rock to rock, or on logs laid across the wider places. These logs were chained to the rocks and would sink down stream during freshets and be replaced when the flood subsided. But when in 1866 a dam was thrown across the stream at the lower end of the village, the water was backed up over the rocks. Then for a time "foot-logs" raised on legs standing in the water and chained to the rocks below were used; but they were narrow, rickety and unsafe, and pedestrians not infrequently tumbled off into the water. A general demand arose for a bridge. To meet this problem as well as others, it was decided to incorporate the village. Application for incorporation was made under the general law and the county court in January 1867, authorized and election for town officers. On February 23, Judge O.T. Tyler was elected mayor and a board of aldermen was chosen. These officials appointed the other officers, among the Colonel Thos. H. Jones as treasurer. The town officials first tried to raise funds for a

bridge by voluntary donations, but finding they could not raise enough by this means, on December 3, 1868, they ordered an issue of bonds...

The bonds were purchased by the citizens of the town. With the proceeds and subscriptions amounting in all to some \$2,500, the municipal authorities proceeded to build a wire cable suspension foot-bridge of substantial construction of unique design and graceful proportions. Two large galvanized rope-wire cables, anchored at each end in strongly built stone abutments, were carried over two double-turreted dressed-stone piers of towers. From these suspended cables wire cords extended down to catch and support the ends of sawed cedar cross bars or joists on which the plank floor was laid. It was one of the first of its kind in the Southwest and was designed, engineered and constructed entirely by home talent—Judge Tyler, Colonel Thos. H. Jones, Judge Wm. H. Garrett, Wm. A. Davis, John Hendrickson and others. It swung some twenty feet above the water and although it could be made to sway enough from side to side to frighten timid



It's rare to see the Main Street Bridge underwater. This is from the 1950s.

souls--especially groups of squealing girls when mischievous boys chose this method of teasing them--it served the people well for more than thirty years. After the county built a combination wagon and foot bridge a few yards upstream the suspension bridge gradually fell into disuse. In 1913 it was finally swept away when a cloud burst in the upper water-shed of Salado Creek sent down a terrific flood that carried away the county bridge as well. The latter was promptly rebuilt, only to be carried away again in the still greater flood of September 9 and 10, 1921. From "*The History of Bell County*" **George W. Tyler, Third Edition**



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Fine China Luncheon

March 26 at Tenroc

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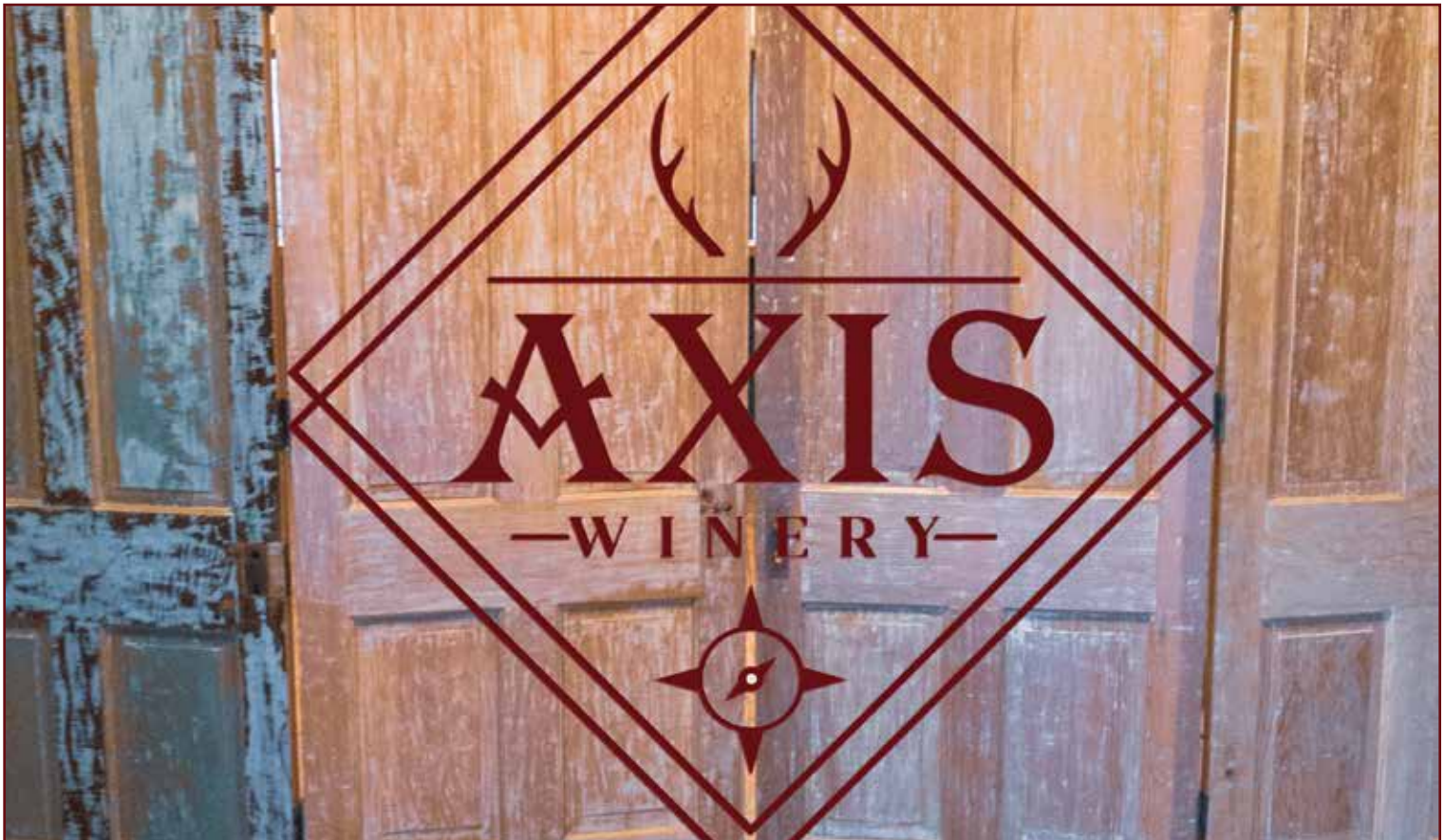
This event has grown since the initial luncheon in 2006, and boasts record ticket sales, attendance, and fund-raising yearly. The tables are elegantly decorated by local individuals and a few businesses. Highlighting this event will our State Senator, Dawn Buckingham. There are still openings for ladies wanting to host a table. The sponsors can be expected to decorate a table but are not obligated to sell tickets for the entire table, however many want to sell tickets to some of their friends. Lynette Jones of McCain's Café and Bakery will cater the meal for the event.

Information about sponsoring a table or for ticket information contact Dorothy Dentry, Third Vice President of Fundraising, at ddentry13@gmail.com or at 254 760-2456.

Proceeds from all SARW sponsored projects fund civic, educational, military support, and political campaigns, including: dictionaries for Salado third grade students; U.S. Constitutions for fifth graders; and contributions to local libraries. In addition, the club awards scholarships annually.



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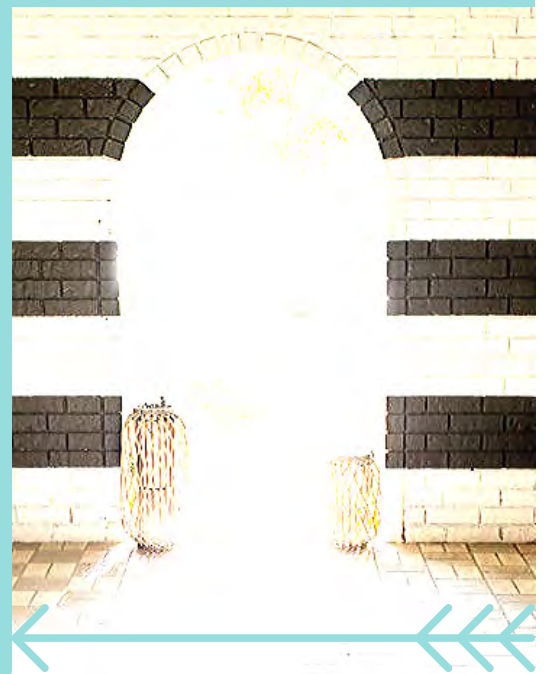
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Thom the World Poet to host 26th Poetry & Prose Reading

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Invited Central Texas poets and writers of prose will grace Tablerock's inside stage to read five minutes of their works.

The Host Poet, Thom Woodruff, is originally from Australia and a hardy transplant to Austin. Thom Woodruff tours England and Australia Poetry Festivals when possible and in his adopted city of Austin he can be seen improvising with musicians at open mics, or hosting open mic venues in Austin and towns all over Central Texas. Thom, the tireless poet, is the co-founder of the Austin International Poetry Festival in 1993. His tour of Poetry Festivals all over the world and writing poetry every day keeps him in tune with the times and in demand at lectures and gatherings. His appearance at High Schools, in English classes, and at Libraries has students composing poetry and reading aloud....even the football players! Thom was also instrumental in renewing interest in and rejuvenating the Temple Live Poets in 2010. Thom was nominated for Texas Poet Laureate in 2015.

All participants in Central Texas Writers of Poetry and Prose must read from their original work or have a designated reader. The writer's works may be published or unpublished. A table will be provided for writers to display published works, sell books or tapes.

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This package deal is valued at more than \$95, but tickets are just \$29.95 per person and can be found online at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/texas-stagecoach-wine-trail-january-2020-tickets-56429148101>

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You can enjoy tastings from 10 central Texas wineries, including Salado Winery Co., during the Texas Stagecoach Wine Trail Jan. 24-26.

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You may check in at one of many wineries in order to receive your Texas Stagecoach Wine Trail commemorative glass. You may select which winery to start at when you purchase your ticket.

At each winery, there will be plenty of

opportunities to purchase additional wine tastings, and buy cool souvenirs, so bring your wallet. You must present your tickets to receive your tastings at each winery.

Participating wineries include Salado Winery Co., Axis Winery, 3 Texans Vineyard, Country Spring Vineyard, Dancing Bee Winery, Kissing Tree Vineyards, Moose and Goose Winery, Red Caboose Winery Clifton, Valley Mills Vineyards and Waco Winery.



Ronnie Wells' Bronze Sculpture, "Gale Winds and Mallards" greets visitors at the Waterfowl Heritage Museum located in the world's largest Bass Pro Shop in Memphis, Tennessee. Also, his eight foot version stands in front of the National Ducks Unlimited headquarters in Memphis.

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The Grist Mills on Salado Creek

(excerpts from History of Bell County, Third Edition George W. Tyler)

...mention should be made of the numerous small flour and grist mills which were to be found along the streams from the late sixties to the early eighties. They were nearly all run by water power. The Salado Creek was especially well adapted to milling, and more mills than any other stream in the county. The oldest one on this creek was Ferguson's Mill. It had first been built by Ira E. and Whitefield Chalk in 1849 or 1850 and after some years had been owned and operated by Jr. James P. Reed. The Reverend James E. Ferguson bought it in 1867 and ran it until his death in 1876. It was then carried on for many years by his family. In 1866 Mr. W.A. Davis formerly of Round Rock built a mill and dam on this creek a little way below the big springs at the town of Salado. At first it was a wool carding establishment but was later converted into a flour and grist mill. In the same year John Meyers erected a mill several miles further down on Salado Creek, which later passed through the hands of several owners but is best remembered as the Summer's Mill. Other mills built on this stream were Dulaney's (1867), T.J. Jones' (1869), Stinnett and Orgain's (1874) later known as Stinnett's and finally as the Highland Mill and "Ike" (Isaac V) Jones' Mill (1880) . On the Lampasas, after the little pioneer Children's Mill, built in 1848, came Guthrie's (1870) and W.K. Hamblen's (1871).

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Annual Wild Game Dinner is March 29

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The Annual Wild Game Dinner will be 5-7:30 p.m. March 29 at the Chisholm Room of Tenroc Ranch

Proceeds from the Wild Game Dinner benefit the local and foreign missions of the Salado United Methodist Church.

Each year, Salado UMC spends about \$30,000 helping others with mission opportunities including donations of proceeds to: the Salado Fire Department, Communities in schools, Family Promise, Aware Central Texas, Peaceable Kingdom, Jail Ministries, Body of Christ Community Clinic, Salado Family Relief, Grateful Samaritans, Red Bird Missions, Sager Brown, and ongoing for-

eign mission work with projects in Kenya and Belize.

The Wild Game Dinner features food prepared by some of the finest cooks of wild game and fish in the area. You can sample dishes featuring, venison, bison, and wild boar. Volunteers will also be cooking game birds such as quail, dove, white-wing dove, and pheasant. Our seafood cooks will grill king salmon, trout, bass, and fry catfish. Exotic dishes including rattlesnake and a variety of sausage links.

You can support this effort by donating wild game or fish or by dropping off silent and live auction items to the Salado United Methodist Church Office at



(Photo by Tim Fleischer)

You'll love the flavors of the annual Wild Game Dinner at Tenroc Ranch on March 29. Sponsored by Salado United Methodist Church, donations are accepted at the door.

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Salado Market Days held every 2nd weekend

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Salado Antique Mall is located

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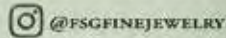
Above, the Prairie Dell Church was moved five miles north to its present location at the corner of Thomas Arnold and Church St. in 1951. It was picked up and hauled on the back of trucks before the interstate was built. (Photo courtesy Carolyn Lambert)



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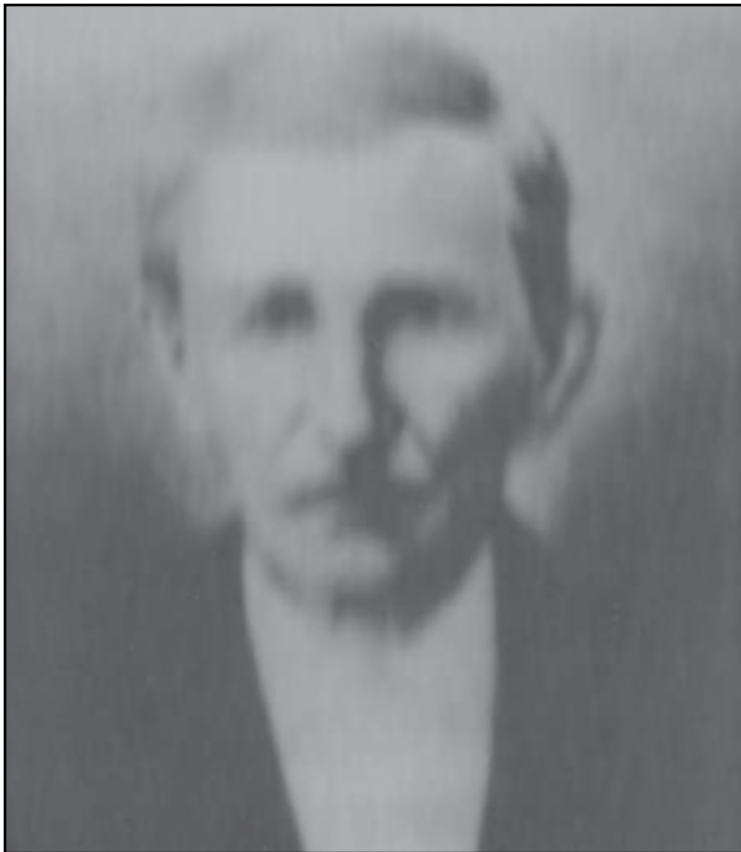
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Charles Schoepf (archive photo).

Salado Settlers

Charles and Beckie Lynch Schoepf

Charles Schoepf, a native of Germany, was born in 1806. In 1819, when he was approaching the age at which he would be required to enter military training, Charles stowed away on a ship bound for the United States. After he was discovered, the ship's Captain gave him job assignments until they reached their destination.

After living in Chicago and on the Western frontier for a while Charles migrated to Texas. He settled at Cedar Creek, Bastrop County, in the Republic of Texas prior to 1840. The Indians were a serious threat to the settlers and there was on-going fighting.

Charles fought in several skirmishes, two of which involved Captain N.M. Dawson's Company under the command of Colonel John H. Moore in 1840. Charles received no pay until 13 years later. He then received two months' salary at the rate of \$25 per month. While in Bastrop County, Charles met and married Elizabeth Drakes (Dietz) also a native of Germany, born there in 1827. Three children were born to this union. Elizabeth died and her date of death and place of burial are unknown.

After the Civil War ended the Schoepf family moved to the Salado area, settling west of the Village in Crow's Ranch where Charles continued farming.

He met and married a widow, Mrs. Beckie Lynch, and they continued on the same place until Charles died in 1894.

A soldier of the Republic of Texas Marker has been placed on Charles' grave in Old Salado Grave Yard by members of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas.

Editor's note: This is one of a series of biographical sketches of some of the early day settlers of Salado that are buried in the Salado Cemetery that the late MaryBelle Brown did on behalf of the Salado Historical Society. The articles originally appeared in the Salado Village Voice newspaper.

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More than 100 wines will be available for tasting March 28-29, 2020. (Photo by Marilyn Fleischer)

Texas Wine & Rogue Art Fest at Salado Winery Co.

Enjoy wine, food, art, and the outdoors during the weekend of Saturday, March 28 and Sunday, March 29, 2020. You'll find the charming Village of Salado filled with folks sipping wine, browsing art and nibbling on food at the 12th annual Texas Wine and Rogue Art Fest, the best wine festival between Austin and Grapevine.

The folks at Salado Winery Co. dreamt up the festival 12 years ago as a way to showcase not only Texas wines but also local, unique artists. June Ritterbusch, owner and winemaker, explains, "We are always searching for unusual artists and this year we have found some. These Texas wineries are rogue entrepreneurs as well, and I think all the wine and art folks are going to create a great experience."

The 2020 festival will include wineries and vineyards pouring nearly 100 different Texas wines. The festival will feature wineries from all across the state, including Florence, Waco, Fredericksburg, Marble Falls, Pittsburgh and Lubbock. Wines vary from dry Mouvére Rosés and Texas favorites such as Tempranillo and Malbec to sweet peach wine and muscato. Some of your current picks like Fiesta and Chisholm Trail will be there and you may even find a fresh favorite in newcomers like Silver Dollar Winery or Kissing Tree Vineyard!

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

If you're hungry, the festival will feature several food trucks. Plenty of Texas food vendors like AustiNuts and Spicewood Food



You'll find handmade soaps and much more among the vendors at the Texas Wine and Rogue Art Fest. (Photo by Marilyn Fleischer)

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

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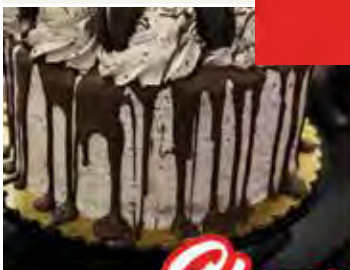
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The 43rd Annual Texas Packard Meet will be held in Salado April 3-5. This is the oldest regional Packard meet in the country.

It began in 1977 as an outgrowth of reciprocal meets between the Texas Regions of Packards International and Packard Automobile Classics. It is now sponsored by the four Texas Regions of PAC.

It features an early bird social, tour, parade, a public display of Packards on the banks of Salado Creek with food and music, peoples choice show, swap meet, seminars, and awards dinner.

Packard lovers from all over the country compete for the long distance award.

Typically there are 40 to 70 cars and well over 100 master registrations. Being the 43rd edition of this great meet will likely increase the numbers!

Viewing for the public is free on Friday evening April 3 on the banks of Salado Creek. The cars will parade from the Holiday Inn to Barrow Brewing at 5:30 p.m..

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The need of a high class school in Bell County had been felt for some time. In the fall of 1859, a tent meeting attended by prominent men from all over the county was held at the Salado Springs to discuss the matter. They succeeded in organizing the Salado College Joint Stock Company. Colonel Robertson donated 100 acres of land, including the two fine springs, the hill on the south side of the creek suitable for the college building, part of the wooded valley and some land north of the creek.

Stock in the company at \$100 per share to the amount of \$5,000 was soon subscribed.

Seven trustees, Col. Herman Aiken, John I. Blair, Dr. Carrol Kendrick, A.J. Dallas, Col. E.S.C. Robertson, W.D. Eastland, and G.W. Shanklin, were chosen by the stockholders. Colonel Robertson was made President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Board and gave the school a deed to the land dated October 16, 1859.

The land was soon surveyed and laid out in blocks, lots and streets. Revenue from the sale of lots was a great help to the college as families soon began moving to Salado.

At a November meeting, Dr. Kendrick offered several resolutions concerning the college which were adopted. The resolutions asked that the trustees apply to the legislature for an act incorporating Salado College; that a clause be inserted prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors, the keeping of billiard saloons or ten-pin alleys on the college land; and that the college be open to pupils of all religious denominations, but never become sectarian in its character.

On February 8, 1860, Salado College was incorporated by the Legislature for twenty years with full powers to maintain the institution, grant diplomas, confer degrees and perform other corporate functions.

A temporary wooden building was erected and school began February 20, 1860, with the Rev. Levi Tenney, a Presbyterian minister, as principal.

A severe winter had slowed down building both for the school and new residents, so many of the teachers lived in tents temporarily. Sixty students were enrolled the first term.



The bell tower and entrance to Salado College can be seen in this old photograph.

Plans had already been made for a two-story stone building on the brow of the hill. On July 4, 1860, the cornerstone, the first in that part of Texas, was laid with a Masonic ceremony. Visitors came from as far away as Waco and Austin and hospitable Salado citizens served a barbecue. A great sale of lots occurred and many more families moved to Salado to educate their children. Attendance at the school gradually increased until there were over 300, including primary grades....

There were two interesting societies in old Salado College. They were literary societies organized for older students.

The Euphradian Society was promoted by Prof. J.L. Smith and Capt. A.J. Harries in 1866. Boys studied parliamentary law and improved in debate and public speaking by practice. Meetings were held weekly and officers changed monthly. Two leaders were appointed by the president who chose sides and all members took part in the debate. Speeches were limited to a few minutes.

The society made an impression upon the general tone and morale of the school as well

as on the progress and development of the students. At each commencement, some able speaker was invited to address the assembled student body.

The other society, organized by the ladies, had Mrs. Kate Alma Orgain as historian and some accurate records were kept.

Mesdames Orgain and Lucius Davis, and Misses Letitia Barbee and Sallie Young, all college teachers, wished to form a reading club for the college's young ladies and those of the town interested in such a club.

Their first meeting was held in the palatial home of Mrs. E.S.C. Robertson, Mrs. Orgain was the first president. They met weekly in some home and listened as a member read aloud from the selected author. A circulating library was formed, perhaps the first in Texas under ladies' supervision. A room at the college was soon assigned them where they kept their accumulating library.

One of the first books read was David Copperfield and a play by Dickens was given in 1876.

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Salado College survives fires over the years

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This society was called "The Amasovaurian." It was really a coined word, made by joining amo (Latin - I love) and savour (French - to know) together, meaning "Love of Knowing."

This society is said by Mrs. Tyler to have accomplished much in elevating the standard of womanly refinement and literary culture both in the college and in the community.

The Salado College Band was a famous musical organization of the 70s. It played at the State Fair in Austin several times, for inaugural balls, at the Bell and Lampasas County fairs and on other occasions.

The first college bell was the regular old-fashioned hand affair, but in 1866 the citizens bought a real college bell for \$200. It was hung in a scaffolding on the roof of the college building and had a rope hanging over the side roof and down the south wall to the ground.

For years, this bell also summoned town people to Sunday School, prayer meeting and all public gatherings held in the college chapel.

That first small college bell was later given to the new public school building. When the annex to the college was completed in 1871, a large imposing belfry was erected over the main south entrance and Dr. W.R. Alexander gave the college a new and larger bell.

In the first fire in 1901, the new bell was partially melted and fell and broke into fragments, many of which were collected for souvenirs, as were the metal keys of the piano.

For the new building, Maj. A.J. Rose donated a bell which withstood the fire of 1902, but not the one in 1924. There was no fire department in Salado and the citizens were helpless. They could not rebuild the college the last time it burned.

The expense of building the annex put the college in debt to the contractor who threatened foreclosure. Again Colonel Robertson saved the situation by buying the property in 1877 and Salado College continued as usual until his death in 1879. However, in 1880, the 20-year charter expired. In 1882, a new organization which bought from the Robertson heirs the seven acres of land on which the college building stood, was formed and the institution continued as Salado College until 1885.

From 1885 to 1890, the property was controlled by the board of trustees of the local public school and operated as a public free school.

Salado College had been like a magnet, drawing many of the best people of the state who desired to educate their children in a cultural and religious atmosphere.

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Fourth Mondays

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Tuesdays

Salado Village Artists meet at the Village Art Center, 9 a.m.

Second and Fourth Tuesdays

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

First and Third Wednesdays

Salado Lions Club meets for lunch at Salado Civic Center, 11:30 a.m.

Second and Fourth Wednesdays

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Fourth Fridays

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Salado Chamber of Commerce will be celebrating its 20th Annual Wildflower Arts & Crafts Festival March 28-29. The festival will be held on the grounds of the Salado Civic Center at 601 N. Main Street from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days with free admission.

Enjoy this family friendly festival by strolling through the more than 40 arts & crafts vendors selling extraordinary handcrafted items from all over the state. Shop from a large variety of talented crafters including; woodworking, jewelry, original paintings, photography, pottery, toy makers, soap makers, knitting/crochet, embroidery and more!

Wildflower will also be featuring local food trucks and vendors – so grab a blanket and eat a picnic lunch from one of our food vendors and listen to live music in the gazebo.



(Photo by Marilyn Fleischer)

Wildflower art show in Salado will be March 28-29.



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Get your hands on making art in Salado

Salado has plenty of opportunities for you to get your hands on making art, from glass to clay to paint to fiber to paper and more. Here are some of the many ways you can make art yourself for your home.

Salado Glassworks regularly has blow-your-own vessels throughout the year, beginning with Valentine's hearts launching the blow-your-own events in January and continuing with blow-your-own beer mugs for St. Patrick's day, eggs for Easter, flowers for Mother's Day, mugs and whiskey sippers for Father's Day, pumpkins for fall and finally the grand-daddy of them all blow-your-own ornaments beginning in November and continuing to Christmas. For times and to book appointments, visit saladoglassworks.com.

For two decades, Titia Arledge has been getting her hands dirty and invites you to join her. Call Titia at 254-947-0281 to set up a clay party, a session of one-on-one clay lessons or learn to make fudge with her. Visit Titia at Mud Pies Pottery on Main Street or call to learn more.

Michael Pritchett teaches young and old

lessons from his gallery at the corner of Royal Street and Main. He also holds monthly "Cork & Create" sessions at the upstairs gallery. Call him at 1-469-877-0374.

Larry Prelop is an award-winning landscape painter. He hosts annual week-end-long intensive painting workshops that include overnight stays in Salado, meals in Salado restaurants and tours of Salado. For information about his next workshop, call the gallery at 254-947-3309.

Kay Griffith is an internationally-recognized abstract painter. She hosts workshops in her gallery at 227 N. Main St. For more information, call Griffith Fine Art at 254-947-3177.

For those who collect memories, visit Nancy at Stamp Salado to learn more about upcoming classes on scrapbooking that she hosts in her shop. You can visit www.stampsaladotexas.com. Many of her classes are listed in the Salado Village Voice newspaper calendar of events.

Ro Shaw offers date nights on Fridays and Saturdays for couples that want to throw pottery together. Ro Shaw Clay Gallery is

located at Peddlers Alley. To register, visit roshawclaystudio.com or call 903-456-8348 or email clayboss@gmail.com.

You can learn to make jewelry with Frankie Sidaris at FSG Jewelry. Call her at 254-947-9447 for more information.

Custom create your own wood planks in Salado. For information, call 254-947-3586 or email creating@prettyplanks.com. The studio is located at 3883 Royal St.

Children can get their hands on making arts at the Imagineer Arts Academy. Contact Tiffany Schreiner Humphrey at 254-466-5018 for information on classes and camps.

Local artists have gathered for almost 30 years in Salado every Tuesday with the Salado Village Artists. The group meets at 9:30 a.m. every Tuesday to create artwork and visit together. Meetings are open to newcomers, oldtimers and first timers. The stitchers have their own meetings on Mondays. The Village Artists will invite professional artists to come to the Village Art Center. Visit saladovillageartists.com for announcements of workshops.



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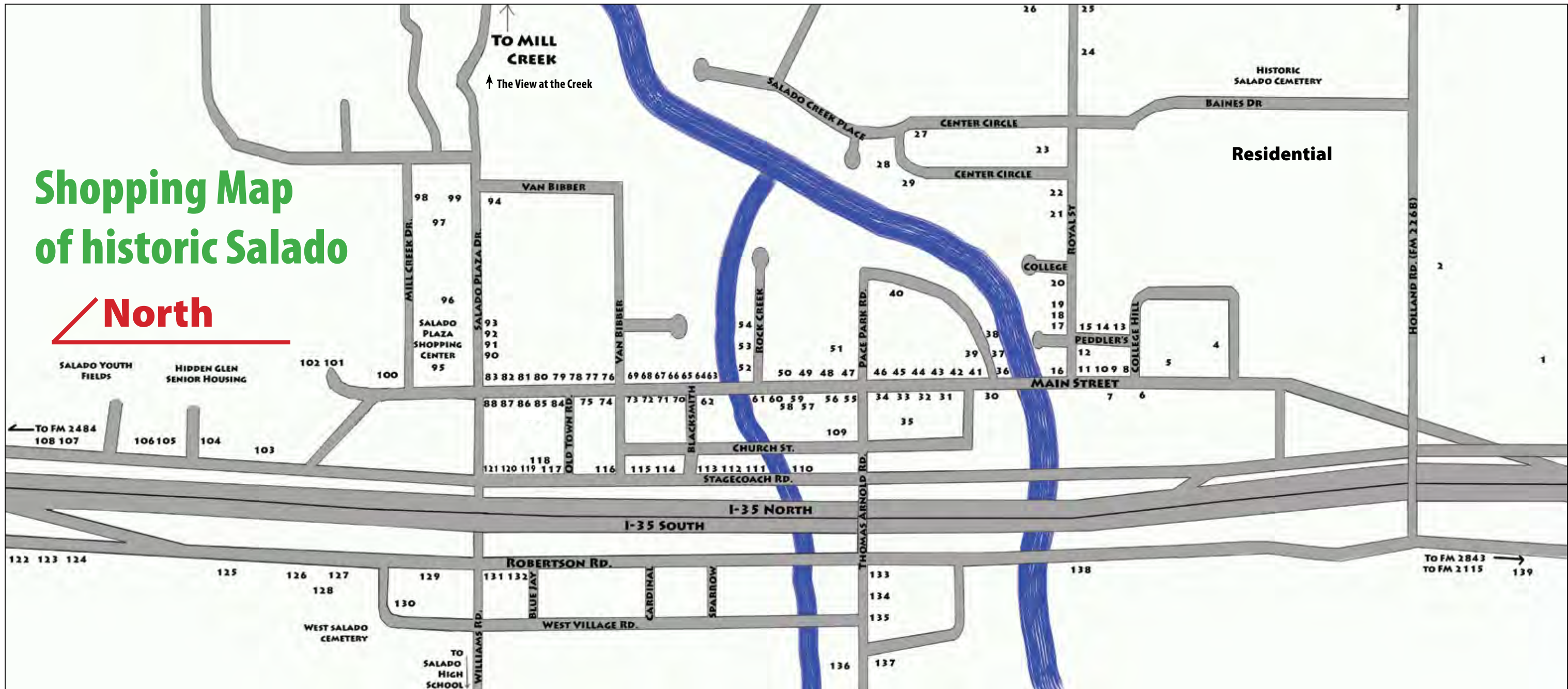
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Shopping Map of historic Salado

North



Map Legend

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

Business Name

2	St. Stephen Catholic Church	C
3	Yellow House B & B	L
5	Salado College Park	V
7	Stagecoach Inn	D
8	Salado Museum	V
	Salado Chamber of Commerce	
	Salado Visitors Center	\$
9	Sofi's	S
10	Chupacabra Kitchen	D
	Chupacabra Craft Beer	D
12	FSG Jewelry	A
14	Salado Glassworks	A

16	Sugar Shack	S/D
16	Sirril Art Gallery	A
17	Barrow Brewery Company	D
21	The Venue	V
22	The Shed	D
24	Tablerock Amphitheater	V
25	The Rose Mansion	L
26	Salado United Methodist Church	C
29	Alexander's Craft Cocktails & Kitchen	D
29	Inn on the Creek	L
30	First Baptist Church	C
32	First Texas Brokerage	\$
34	First Community Title	\$
40	W.A. Pace Memorial Park	V
42	Susan Marie's	S
43	The Strawberry Patch	S
44	Prellop Fine Art Gallery	A
48	The Inn at Salado	L
49	21 Main	S
49	Lively Coffeehouse & Bistro	D
53	Salado Creek Healing	\$
54	Uniquely Salado	S
55	Salado Family Dentistry	\$
57	Mud Pies Pottery	S
58	The Shoppes on Main	S
	The Marketplace Cafe	D
60	Salado Creek Jewelers	S

62	The Pizza Place	D
64	Griffith Fine Art Gallery	S
69	McCain's Bakery & Cafe	D
70	Wells Gallery	S
71	Flourish	\$
72	Antique Rose of Bell	S
76	Salado Civic Center	\$
82	St. Joseph's Episcopal Church	C
80	Axis Winery	S
84	Old Town Salado Shopping Center	S
	Pen Station	S
	Salado Olive Oil Company	S
	Serendipity Salado	S
	Sophistikatz Beads & Gifts	S
85	Springhouse Marketplace	S
	Wild Texas Cowgirl	
	Salado Creek Foods	
85	Stamp Salado	S
86	Village Mill Antiques	S
87	Bill Bartlett - Century 21	\$
90	Presbyterian Church of Salado	C
92	Salado Sculpture Garden	A
96	Salado Village Voice	\$
97	Brookshire Brothers	S
100	Salado Public Library	C
110	Lynnette's Church Street	\$
	Bake Shoppe	\$

111	SouthStar Bank	\$
113	Salado Church of Christ	C
116	Salado Creek Antiques	S
119	Salado Antique Mall	S
	Salado Market Days	S
120	Horizon Bank	\$
130	Village Spirits	S
136	Salado Schools & Stadium	C
139	Cedar Valley Baptist Church	C

Not Shown on the Shopping Map

	Bell County Museum (Belton)	\$
	Don Ringle (Belton)	\$
	Cultural Activities Center (Temple)	\$
	The View at the Creek	V

EVENTS

	4th Friday Sip & Shop	
	Wildflower Arts & Crafts Festival	

Historical Markers in Salado

5.	Salado Historic College Hill	
6.	Shady Villa Hotel (Stagecoach Inn)	
7.	Main Street Bridge	
16.	Barber-Berry Mercantile	

23.	George Washington Baines House	
24.	Historic Dipping Vats	
25.	Archibald J. Rose Mansion	
26.	Old Methodist Chapel	
27.	Caskey-Hendricks House	
28.	Dr. B.D. McKie Place (Twelve Oaks)	
29.	Alexander's Distillery	
30.	First Baptist Church	
31.	Orville T. Tyler House	
35.	Salado Masonic Lodge #296	
45.	The Anderson House	
46.	Old Saloon	
48.	The Norton-Orgain House	
50.	Welborn Barton House	
51.	Levi Tenney House	
55.	Armstrong Adams House	
61.	Historic Lenticular Bridge	
72.	The Vickrey House	
76.	Boles-Aiken & Denman Cabins	
77.	Robert B. Halley House	
79.	William Reed Cabin	
100.	The Josiah Fowler House	

Public Art in Salado

6.	Col. Robertson Statue	
7.	Sirena	
16.	Turtle limestone carving at the Creek	
50.	The Lovers	
	Chisholm Trail limestone carving	
61.	The Troll at the Bridge	
61.	Tree Fairy at the Bridge (look up!)	
70.	Sculpture by Ronnie Wells	
76.	Late Again by Troy Kelley at Civic Center	
80.	Limestone Carving	
92.	Salado Sculpture Garden	
100.	Reading by Ronnie Wells at Salado Library	
	Limestone carving	

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