



Sales tax check jumps by 35%

Sales tax rebates to Salado increased dramatically in February. State Comptroller Glenn Hegar announced last week that he sent cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$1.04 billion in local sales tax allocations for February, 9.4 percent more than in February 2019.

For the Village of Salado, the February payment is an increase of 35% compared to last February. The Village received \$71,486.74 compared to \$52,809.21 paid last February. For the calendar year-to-date, the Village has received \$120,650.74, an increase of 16% over year-to-date 2019 payments of \$103,585.81.

The Village levies a one-cent sales tax.

Percentage-wise, the Village is ahead of every other Bell County city, except for Morgans Point Resort, which saw an increase of 44% in February payment compared to last year. For the year, Morgans Point is running 36% ahead.

Temple also had a dramatic increase in sales tax. It received \$2.9 million compared to \$2.2 in February 2019, a jump of 30%.

The increase is even more dramatic for the Salado Public Library District, which levies a half-cent sales tax. The Library District received a February check of \$54,640.00, which is 46% more than last year's payment of \$37,313.80. For the year, the Library is running 22% ahead with payments of \$90,439.04.

These allocations are based on sales made in December by businesses that report tax monthly; October, November and December sales by quarterly filers; and 2019 sales by businesses that report tax annually. Christmas shopping that typically occurs in November was shifted into December due to the relatively late date of Thanksgiving 2019, helping make this month's allocations substantially higher than in previous months.



Salado Lady Eagles will play Lamar Fulshear in the Area Round of the UIL 4A-II playoffs in a 7 p.m. game Feb. 20 at A&M Consolidated High School. The Lady Eagles got past perennial playoff nemesis Wimberley Lady Texans 59-49, led by Kaia Philen, shown above shooting over a defender. At right, Amanda Cantu steals the ball. For more coverage, turn to page 1B. (PHOTOS BY ROYCE WIGGIN)



Early primary voting through Feb. 28

Early voting will continue in political party primaries and ends on Feb. 28 with six early voting locations.

Early voting locations are these:

Salado Church of Christ, 217 N. Stagecoach Rd., Salado.

Bell County Courthouse Annex, 550 East 2nd Ave., Belton.

Parks & Recreation Center, 307 Millers Crossing, Harker Heights.

Bell County Annex, 301 Priest Dr., Killeen.

Killeen Community Center, 2201 Veterans Memorial Blvd., Killeen.

Bell County Annex, 205 East Central Ave., Temple.

Early Voting hours are the following: Feb. 18-21, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Feb. 22, 7 a.m.-7 p.m.; Feb. 23, noon-5 p.m. and Feb. 24-28, 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

On primary day March 3, Bell County voters may cast their ballots 7 a.m.-7 p.m. at any of the 41 polling places in the County.

Sample ballots for Precinct 203 and a map of polling places can be found at saladovillagevoice.com.

Historical Society Pot Luck March 2

Salado Historical Society's Annual Spring Membership Dinner Pot Luck will be held 6 p.m. March 2 at the Church of Christ Activity Center.

County Commissioner Bobby Whitson will be the speaker. Attendees are encouraged to bring a side dish or dessert. Meat and drinks will be furnished.

Tickets on sale for Taste of Salado

The Public Arts League of Salado (PALS) will host its Annual Taste of Salado, 6-9 p.m. March 12 at Tenroc Ranch.

The annual event bring delicious tasting samples from Salado fine dining restaurants. Some of this year's participating restaurants are

The Barton House, Chupacabra Kitchen, Lynette's Church Street Bake Shoppe, McCain's Bakery and Café, Marketplace Café, Mud Pies Fudge, The Stagecoach Inn Restaurant, and the Strawberry Patch Gourmet Coffee. This year will also featuring some of Salado wineries and

breweries in the tastings, they include Axis Winery, Barrow Brewing, and Inn at Salado Winery.

Bobby Whitson will create a high-energy live auction presenting items, such as Summer Swim Membership to the Mill Creek Golf Course, Season Tickets to

the Temple Symphony Orchestra, Breakfast for 10, a Pet Portrait in Oil, Overnight stay at the Red Barn Hideaway, a Two Hour Massage with Sound Therapy, a Gift Basket for the Nature Company, Pet Sitter's Special, Manicure/Pedicure Gift Certificate, and Tokens from

Barrows for Pizza and Beer, a Wine tasting from Salado Wine Seller and more.

Tickets of \$30 can be purchased at the Salado Museum 12-4 or you may purchase them at CentralTexas-TICKETS.COM.

Proceeds support Salado Student Art Scholarship.

Village, School elections contested

The Village of Salado and Salado ISD Board of Trustees races will be contested, while the Salado Public Library District race will be uncontested.

Frank Coachman and Michael Coggin have both filed for a place on the ballot in the Mayor's race. Since they are running for Mayor, they cannot run for re-election as Alderman.

Two two-year terms on the board of aldermen will also be decided in May. Three candidates have filed for those terms on the Village of Salado Board of Aldermen: Paul Cox, Jason Howard and Don Krause.

Four candidates have filed for three places on the Salado ISD Board of Trustees: incumbents Kim Bird and Troy Smith have both filed. Troy Byrd and Savannah Hennig have filed for the school board race.

Three three-year terms will be chosen in the May election.

Filing for two two-year terms on the Salado Public Library District Board of Directors are incumbents Bill Kinnison and Nancy Mills Mackey.

Early voting will be April 20-28. Election day will be May 2. The last day to register to vote before the May election is April 2.

Meagan Hill named NFCA Div. II Pitcher of Week

Former Salado softball standout tosses first collegiate no-hitter

Meagan Hill won another award for her amazing pitching performance in the Florida Tech Invitational recently. Hill was awarded the Louisville Slugger/Wilson NFCA DII Pitcher of the Week Award.

The senior on the Angelo State University Rambelles softball team hails from Salado. She dominated in the Florida Tech Invite against her opponents, throwing her first career collegiate no hitter against the Molloy College Lions, throwing for seven innings and throwing 11 strikeouts. Hill faced 22 batters from the Lions, only walking one hitter and throwing an almost perfect game.

Hill then started against the Florida Tech Panthers, throwing for seven innings once again, facing 22 batters. Hill once again almost threw a perfect game, allowing only one hitter to make

it to base and throwing four strikeouts against the opposing Panthers.

Hill's Earned Run Average, or ERA, dropped to a 0.82.

Metropolitan States Laney Sheppard won the Louisville Slugger/ NFCA DII Player of the Week, respectively.

As a junior, Hill had an 18-8 record with one save in 156.1 innings pitched. She threw nine complete games with a 3.58 overall ERA.

In 2018, she had a 2-0 record with 23.1 innings pitched, 21 strikeouts and a 3.60 ERA.

While at Salado High School, Hill competed in track, while also playing volleyball and softball. She was named to the 2014 first team all-district pitcher selection and the 2015 volleyball setters. Hill once again almost threw a perfect game, allowing only one hitter to make



Meagan Hill



Meagan Hill was named the Louisville Slugger/Wilson NFCA Div. II Pitcher of the Week last week. COURTESY PHOTO

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An Open Exchange of Ideas

SISD board gets update on middle school work

The Salado ISD School Board met on Monday, February 10. The following is a summary of that meeting:

- The Board recognized Jacqueline Franks as the Salado Rotary Educator of the Month for February.

- The Board recognized choir director Pam Sulak and students Nikki Grace, Jessalynn Carrillo, Wesley Hernandez, and Anna Lesley for being selected for All State choir.

- The Board recognized Fort Hood school liaison officer Tina Smith.

- The Board reviewed the three-year enrollment comparison. Our February 2020 enrollment is 2,055 students, as compared to 1,942 students in February 2019 and 1,846 students in February 2018.

- The Board reviewed the monthly financial reports.

- The Board received an update regarding the district

Superintendent's Corner

by Dr. Michael Novotny



goals.

- The Board discussed the progress regarding the construction of the middle school, softball field, baseball field, tennis courts, elementary roof, junior high school roof, and high school roof.

- The Board approved the minutes from the January 13 school board meeting.

- The Board approved budget amendments.

- The Board approved the order of election, calendar, and judges for the May 2, 2020 joint election.

- The Board discussed the 2019-2020 budget and

the 2020-2021 budget. The Board approved a contract with Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, L.L.P. for Property Value Study appeal services.

- The Board approved the purchase of a school bus.

- The Board approved applying for a grant regarding an extended school year program.

- The Board approved the 2020-2021 compensation plan.

Our next regular school board meeting will be held on Monday, March 16, at 6:00 p.m. at the Salado ISD Civic Center, located at 601 North Main Street.

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Potential employee shortages, threatened tariffs drive down

Defying the sudden escalation in coronavirus numbers, the S&P 500 Stock Index (SPX) turned in another exuberant week, ending at 3,380.16, up 1.58%. That good news is at least a bit dampened by the fact that the Index's recent gains were all in the last week as it is only up 1.52% for the last month. The better news is that it is up 4.62% since the beginning of the year and is only about 5 points below a new record.

The ten-year U.S. Treasury note eked out a tiny gain of 0.01% for the week to close at 1.587%, leaving the Treasury yield curve very slightly positive as the 90-day T-bill rate was 1.55% at the end of the week. Oil prices, and more specifically West Texas Intermediate Crude (WTI), showed a bit of optimism for the week, rising 3.79% to \$52.25. WTI remains down almost 15% year-to-date on reduced demand from coronavirus plant and port closings.

The Economy

Our unusually bifurcated economy seems to be normalizing at a plateau as we coast into the long President's Day weekend. Consumers continued to borrow more on their credit cards buying both goods and services while U.S. manufacturing appears to be leveling off.

The Federal Reserve announced on Friday that U.S. industrial output fell a seasonally adjusted 0.3% in January. The proximate causes appeared to be a combination of Boeing's 737 Max shutdown and relatively warm weather which dampened out utilities use in the northern states. In a hint that the manufacturing recession may be drawing to a close, if we ignore aircraft production and parts as well as utility output, manufacturing output rose 0.3%.

Consumers continued to

Market & Economic Update

By Jeffrey W. McClure



increase spending at a 1.8% annualized rate in the fourth quarter of 2019. As the final tally came in though, it appears that the 2019 holiday season generated sales that were only 0.2% higher than in 2018, a figure that is within the margin of error for the surveys. That low rate of increase in consumer spending appears to have effectively slowed to zero in January. Total control retail sales for January were actually lower than they were in August 2019. A one month halt in consumer spending growth is not a thing to worry about, but if the trend continues, it could spell trouble a few months down the road.

Stepping back and looking at the bigger picture, domestic spending begins to show a pattern. The U.S. gross domestic product grew at a 2.9% rate in 2018 and declined to a 2.3% rate in 2019. By the end of the year, GDP annualized growth had slowed to just over 2%. Businesses are reporting constraints on potential growth ranging from a serious shortage of potential employees to the threatened tariffs on European goods and services. All indicators point to a lower number in 2020. Just how low is an open question.

The Federal Reserve Bank of New York reported that credit card balances increased by \$46 billion to hit a record \$930 billion in January and are rising at about a 5% annual rate. For a point of reference, the total credit card balance at its peak in 2008 was about \$870 billion. At the same time, average wages are rising at about 3%, year over year, so we have hit the

point where the consumer, the principal driver in our current economic expansion, is now spending each year's increase in income plus about half that amount more. More, the 30-day late rate on that credit card debt has been gradually rising from a low of around 5% in 2016 to around 7% toward the end of 2019.

At the same time as we are building up record levels of debt across the board the reason for the sustainability of that debt level is also quite clear. Interest rates are at near-historical lows. Investment grade industrial corporate long-term bonds are yielding 3.07%, the lowest rate since 1956. A big part of the recent rise in the S&P 500 Index could be simply that the earnings yield for the Index is 3.83%, suggesting that stock earnings are a better deal than buying bonds.

Another odd positive in the economic reports for the week was that the U.S. Consumer Price Index now has a 12-month rise of 2.5%. A bit of inflation, long missing from the economic records, tends to drive consumer purchases up as the perception that things will be more expensive in the future causes consumers to buy now and pay later. That 2.5% inflation rate also effectively reduces future payments by the same amount.

The wild cards of more tariff wars and a possible pandemic remain outstanding but for the moment, the economy seems to have leveled off at a near-record high rate. Unfortunately, that causes serious economists and observers like us to worry.

Mike Bloomberg's offensive campaign

The rich are different from you and me -- they can buy themselves instant presidential campaigns.

Former New York Mayor Mike Bloomberg has elbowed himself into the Democratic nomination race solely on the basis of his fortune.

His campaign is high-handed as only a billionaire many times over could even contemplate. He entered late, is skipping the early contests and hasn't participated in any of the debates to date (although that will change soon, thanks to the Democratic National Committee retrofitting its rules for Bloomberg).

It's a free country, and with more than \$50 billion to his name, Bloomberg can spend as much money as he likes on whatever suits his fancy. But Bloomberg 2020 is still an affront to small-d democratic sensibilities, a tribute not to his superior political skills or messaging compared with the other candidates, but to his access to an enormous personal bank account.

The level of his spending is truly astonishing -- Croesus goes all-in on Super Tuesday. Bloomberg spent more than \$300 million on various forms of advertising. He's single-handedly changed the market for TV ads in many places. He

Rich Lowry



spent \$10 million on a Super Bowl spot, or about half of what Joe Biden raised in the entire fourth quarter.

This is the Bloomberg way. He spent a quarter of a billion dollars to become and stay New York mayor for three terms. He was eligible for his third term only because he got a term-limit law changed, with the support of charities that he happened to make generous donations to.

What's wrong with all this, beyond the cynicism of thinking everything has a price tag? Maybe Bloomberg is right, that trying to go in and convince voters of your appeal at town hall events and meet-and-greets in places like Iowa and New Hampshire is for suckers.

But there is much to be said for grassroots politics. It forces candidates to take account, up close and personal, of what their voters believe and want. As president, Abraham Lincoln devoted serious time to meeting with random people who showed up to see him, in what he called "public opinion baths."

The candidate who does countless of these early-state events must have the ability to inspire and impress, think on his feet, show endless patience and stamina. If he's not up for it, or is a pretender, he will inevitably be exposed.

In comparison to the other candidates, Bloomberg is a Wizard of Oz candidate, shielded and inflated by his TV ads.

Another advantage of the traditional approach is that anyone can do it. Pete Buttigieg, the unknown mayor of a small Indiana town, finished strong in Iowa through sheer talent, tireless work and clever messaging.

All this said, perhaps Bloomberg will break all the rules and be the last man standing between Bernie Sanders and the cusp of the American presidency. Then, his spending might look to a lot of Democrats like a public service. There is also no denying that Bloomberg is a genuinely talented man.

Yet this style of campaigning shouldn't be the norm. If Bloomberg succeeds, he will enrich many TV stations, consultants, pollsters and campaign workers, but impoverish our politics.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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Obituaries



Patricia Anne Lawshe Barton

Patricia Anne Lawshe Barton passed away on February 12, 2020 in Belton, Texas.

She was born on January 14, 1933 in San Antonio, Texas, the only child of Bess Wallace Lawshe and Frank Louis Lawshe.

Known as "Patsy," she attended San Antonio schools and graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School in 1950.

She earned a B.A. degree in art from Southern Methodist University in 1954, where she was a member of the Alpha Upsilon Chapter of Delta Gamma Fraternity for four years, serving as president in 1953. She was president of the campus League of Women Voters in 1952.

Pat returned to San Antonio to live with her widowed father and work as an assistant buyer and wedding consultant at The Vogue, a chic downtown department store.

She met Lt. John Allen Barton, Jr. on a blind date. They married in August 1955 in San Antonio and were together for 55 years. As a US Air Force wife and mother, Pat volunteered with social, school, and church groups at her homes in Lubbock, San Antonio, Washington, DC, Colorado Springs, CO, and the island of Guam, including Delta Gamma alumnae groups. She was president of the Washington, DC Dental Officers' Wives Club in 1969 and of the Andersen AFB Medical Wives in 1973.

Pat and John moved to

Salado on his retirement in 1976. In addition to caring for older relatives and neighbors, Pat was president of the Salado Chamber of Commerce Auxiliary, a founder and three-time president of the Salado Historical Society, chair of the Salado Historical District Commission, chair of the Salado Art Fair, and a ten-year member of the Bell County Historical Commission. At Salado United Methodist Church, she was on the administrative council, was a delegate to Annual Conference, and chaired the committee that oversaw relocation of the church to Royal Street. She was a devoted employee of Salado Galleries for eighteen years, a lifelong Republican, and a keen historical and genealogical researcher.

She is survived by three daughters, Karen Barton Lane (James) of Temple; Beth Barton Schweiger (Thomas) of Bellevue, Washington; and Nancy Barton Tuck (Jeffrey) of Pearland; six grandchildren, David E. Ridley-Lane (Megan) of New Rochelle, NY; Bennett H. Lane (Hana) of Fort Thomas, KY; J. Jonathan Tuck of Pearland; Marcus M. Schweiger of New York, NY; Emry Anne Tuck of Pearland; and William K. Tuck of Pearland. She is also survived by two nieces, one nephew, and four great-grandchildren.

The family welcomes

memorials to the Salado Historical Society or the Salado United Methodist Church.

Visitation was held February 15 at Salado United Methodist Church. Funeral services followed at the church, followed by burial at Salado Cemetery.



Monte "Sonny" Derwood Berry

Monte "Sonny" Derwood Berry, Sr., age 82 of Belton, passed away on February 11, 2020 at his residence.

Berry was born April 30, 1937 in Salado to Lucye and Marvin Berry.

He graduated Salado High School in 1955 and attended Baylor University.

He opened his own barbecue restaurant, Lucye's Place, in his mother's home in Salado. That restaurant is now Johnny's Steaks and Barbecue.

He is survived by his sons Donny Berry of Grapevine, Christopher Berry of Belton, Monte "Sonny" Berry, Jr. of Belton, Hous-

ton Berry of San Francisco, Jode Berry of Vacaville, Monte Reissig of Hawaii and Michael Chang of San Francisco and a daughter, Carisa Newson of Prosper.

He is also survived by 17 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

He is survived by two sisters, Barbara Sewell of Itasca and Marla Sanders of Blanco.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Dick Berry and his sister, JoeAnn Stowell.

A Memorial service was held Monday, February 17 at First Baptist Church of Salado.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital

Services are arranged by Crotty Funeral Home & Cremation Services.

Bobbie Ruth Pierce Pruitt

Funeral services for Bobbie Ruth Pierce Pruitt, 73,

of Belton, were held 10 a.m. on Saturday, February 8, 2020 at the Dossman Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed at Val Verde Cemetery.

The family received friends for visitation Friday evening at the Funeral Home.

Pruitt was born February 19, 1946 in Salado, the daughter of John Pierce and Valta (Evans) Pierce. She married Jimmy Pruitt in 1964 in Bell County. She was a member of the Longhorn Riding Club in the 1970's. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 2000; one son Jimmy Pruitt Jr. and one daughter Ruth McKenzie.

Survivors include one daughter Tammie Pruitt of Belton and two sisters Juanita Collins of Dayton, Ohio and Linda Ratliff of Belton; six grandchildren, fifteen great grandchildren and one great great granddaughter.



Dana Marie Hodgins Haas

Dana Marie Hodgins Haas passed from this world on Wednesday, February 12, 2020. She is survived by her children, Lola, Ryder, and Hunter Haas of Salado, TX, her parents, Judy and Jim Hodgins of Salado, TX, her brother Tim of Los Angeles, CA, and her sister Leslie (and husband John) of Richmond, VA.

Dana was born March 2, 1977 into a military family in Colorado Springs, CO, so as a child she got to see the world, living in such exotic and far-off places as Germany, Australia, and Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas.

She graduated from Ellison High School in Killeen, TX in 1995. While an Ellison Eagle, Dana danced for the Emerald dance team, and was a swift swimmer, excelling in the backstroke and the individual medley. She was a fierce competitor, fueled by her parents' best efforts to embarrass her from the stands. Her love of sports didn't end there - she was a devout fan of the Salado Eagles, the Texas Tech Red Raiders, and the Dallas Cowboys (who brought her more distress than joy). She loved her church family at Salado United Methodist Church, and was an active member of the Salado community.

Dana's three beautiful children - Hunter (18), Ryder (16), and Lola (12) were her entire life. At any given time she was almost certainly driving them to or from practice, or rabidly cheering them on from the bleachers. She took extreme pride in their every achievement, and will have the best seat in the house for all their future endeavors.

There will be a visitation at the Broecker Funeral Home in Salado on Tuesday, February 18th from 5-7pm. The celebration of her life will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, February 19 at Salado United Methodist Church.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you make a donation to the Salado Volunteer Fire Department (<https://www.paypal.com/paypalme2/saladovfd>) as a thanks for their prompt response and attentive care. The family would also like to thank the ICU staff at Baylor Scott and White in Temple for their tireless efforts.

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Covering Salado students from Thomas Arnold to SHS

February 20, 2020



Four Salado High School Choir students placed and performed with the State choir at the TMEA Conference in San Antonio Feb. 15. Jessalyn Carrillo and Nikki Grace made it for their second year. Their teacher is Pam Sulak at Salado High School. They were also given a Certificate of Recognition from State Representative Brad Buckley. Shown above are (from left) Anna Lesley, Jessalyn Carrillo, Nikki Grace and Wesley Hernandez. (COURTESY PHOTO)

Lady Eagles beat Wimberley 59-49 face Lamar Fulshear

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Led by Kaia Philen, the Salado Lady Eagles beat the Wimberley Lady Texans 59-9 in the bi-district round of the 4A-II basketball play-offs. Salado will face Lamar Fulshear, the fourth-place team from District 25 in the Area Round at 7 p.m. Feb. 20 at A&M Consolidated.

Salado was the first to get on the scoreboard in the first minute of the game and trailed only once in the game, 10-12. Other than that, the Lady Eagles built on their lead, fighting off the Lady Texans who tied the game at the beginning of the second but trailed for the remaining 24 minutes of play.

Salado led 15-12 after the first and 29-25 at the half. The girls took a 44-39 fourth quarter lead, before taking advantage of being sent to the free throw line in the fourth quarter to stretch the lead to 59-49.

Philen hit four of five three-pointers and four of eight two-pointers on her way to a 27-point performance for the Lady Eagles. She also had six rebounds, an assist and three steals. She sunk seven of her 12 free throw attempts.

Lorena Perez followed



Priscilla Torczynski defends the baseline against a Wimberley Lady Texan. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

with 7 points. She also had four steals, six rebounds and two assists.

Also scoring for the Lady Eagles were Amanda Cantu and Jasey Goings, 5 points each. Cantu also had three steals, five assists and a rebound while Goings had three rebounds.

Priscilla Torczynski and Katie Law both had 4 points, Janiah Del Rio had 3 points and Abby Rembert and Kenslee Konarik, 2 points each.

Salado 39
Burnet 44

Salado Lady Eagles lost

to the Burnet Lady Dawgs 39-44 on Feb. 11.

Kaia Philen led the girls with 16 points, followed by Katie Law, 7 points, Lorena Perez, 4 points, Abby Rembert, Amanda Cantu, Priscilla Torczynski, Jasey Goings, 3 points each.

JV Red 38
Burnet 44

Salado JV fell to Burnet 38-44 on Feb. 11. Darcie Pryor had a great night scoring 20 points in which 18 came from behind the arc. Harley Drouillard had 10 points and Angel Van de Plas had 8 points.

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Village Church announces pastor

Lent and Ash Wednesday services



Pastor Billy Johnson

Salado with a mission to love and help others.

Johnson graduated from Baylor University with a degree in Religion and History, and Southwestern Theological Seminary with a Masters of Divinity degree. He is a sports enthusiast and enjoys supporting the local athletes in their competitive endeavors. Additionally, he is an avid reader and appreciates old western films. Most of all, Billy has a passion for sharing his faith in Jesus Christ with others. He has an extensive ministry in working with children, college students, seniors, the sick and grieving.

Brother Billy says "Pastoring the Village Church of Salado, over the last four months, has been one of the most delightful experiences I've ever had. I can hardly wait to get there every Sunday. God has brought together a wonderful group of people...very warm and friendly. It is my honor to serve here."

The Church would like to invite anyone who does not have a church home to come worship with them. Leaders say you will feel welcomed and loved, as well as being a part of helping to build a church that strives to make a difference in the community.

Local Churches will begin the Lenten season with Shrove Tuesday on Feb. 25 and Ash Wednesday on Feb. 26.

Salado United Methodist Church, 650 Royal Street, invites the community to a Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner 5:15 p.m.-7 p.m. Feb. 25. The community is invited to come support SUMC Youth Missions, eat lots of pancakes, and play games. The meal is free, but donations toward Youth Missions are appreciated.

The community is invited to receive a Come and Go Imposition of Ashes in the Historic Chapel from 7 a.m.-4 p.m. on Feb. 26, and to join Salado UMC at 6 p.m. for the Ash Wednesday Worship Service, which will also include imposition of ashes.

All are invited and welcome to take part in the ushering in of the Lenten season.

St. Joseph's Episcopal Church invites the community to a Mardi Gras Dinner 5:30-7:30 p.m. Feb. 25 at the Parish Hall, 881 N. Main St. Gumbo, shrimp creole, and other Cajun favorites will be served. Come while it lasts. Donations are welcome.

St. Joseph's will hold Ash Wednesday Service at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 26 and invite you to join them.

St. Stephen Catholic Church, 601 FM 2268, will hold Ash Wednesday services on Feb. 26 at the following times: 8:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m. and a Mass in Spanish at 7:30 p.m.

Presbyterian Church of Salado will hold Ash Wednesday services on Feb. 26 at noon, followed with a light lunch. The church is located at 105 Salado Plaza Dr.

St. Joseph's Episcopal Church

Sunday School

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Worship each Sunday at 10am.

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Sunday: Services at 10:00 am
Adult Bible Study at 9:00 am

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Village Church of Salado would like to announce Billy Johnson as its new pastor. Johnson is not new to Salado, having served as the beloved pastor of First Baptist

St. Stephen Catholic Church

Religious Education Classes - Wednesday K thru 12th 5:30 - 8 p.m.

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Confessions 4:30-5:15 p.m. or call for an appointment

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Church, Salado for seven years in 1974-1981.

It was during his time at First Baptist that Billy says he fell in love with Salado and developed many lifelong friendships. Johnson and his wife, Debbie, moved back to Salado in 2017 when he was called to pastor at Heritage Country Church. He was at Heritage for 2 1/2 years before he felt the call to work with community members and launch Village Church of

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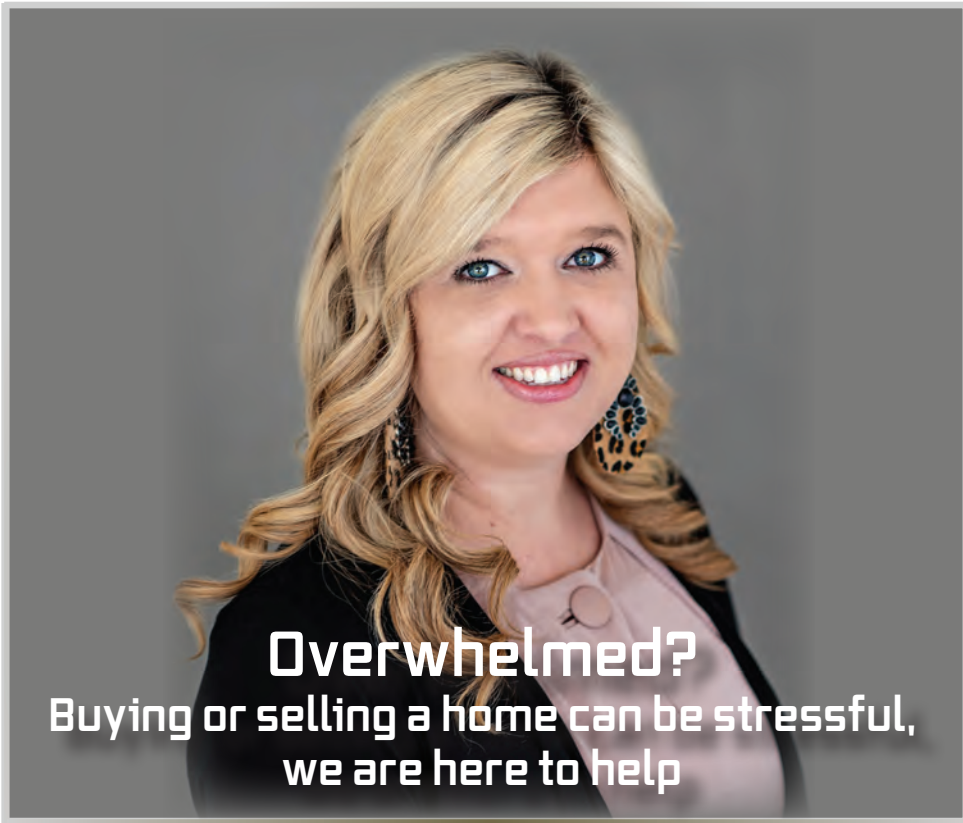
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**Academic
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Four Salado High School Cheerleaders were named to the Texas Girls Coaches Association All-State Academic Cheerleading Squad recently. To be named to the All-State Academic Cheerleader Squad, a cheerleader must maintain a grade of 94 or above for grades 9-11, must be a varsity participant in good standing and must be of good moral character. Shown above are (from left) Heidi Kelley, Averie Piatt, Ava Heinzen, Not shown is Faith Madsen Cheerleader sponsor is Charla Kelley.
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SHS band members qualify for State solo & ensemble

Six Salado High School band soloists and five ensembles qualified for the UIL 2020 Texas State Solo & Ensemble Contest on May 30 and June 1 in Austin.

The soloists and ensembles qualified for the state contest by earning Division 1 ratings on Class 1 performances at the Regional competition, which was held Feb. 8.

The following soloists qualified for state competition: Class 1 Solo, Division 1: Daniel Lander, Erik Oas, Daniel Cunningham, William Won, Anne Marie Gilmore and Diego Romero.

Class 1 Ensembles earning Division 1 ratings and qualifying for the state contest include these:

- Flute trio: Chloe Ebeling, Emma Grant and Emma Madsen.
- Clarinet Choir: Kaitlyn Casper, Paige Land, Daniel Lander, Harley McQuire, Nohemi Pena, Madeline Sunshine and Hannah White.
- Saxophone Quartet: Caley Aycok, MJ Garcia, Kaden Griffin and Aria Musselman.
- French Horn Trio: Mi-

chael Edwards-Sarver, Rachael Jett and Erik Oas.

• Percussion Ensemble: Cooper Chambliss Daniel Cunningham Hunter Finch Anne Marie Gilmore Andrew Rocha Diego Romero Aaron Trela William Won

In addition, the following students earned Division 1 ratings for their solos:

- Class 1: Becca Flynn.
- Class 2: Aria Musselman, Hunter Finch and Aaron Trela.
- Class 3: Molly Simmonds, Evalyn Mosca, Caden Graham.

Class 3 Ensemble, Clarinet Quartet: Jessalyn Carrillo, Kimberly Kendall, Ashley Messner and Samantha Willingham.

Earning Division 2 ratings were these students:

- Class 1 Solo: Chloe Ebeling and Nohemi Pena.
- Class 2 Solo: Emma Grant, Kaitlyn Nordquist and Heidi Teichelman,
- Class 2 Ensembles: Trombone Trio, Joshua Gilpin, Cameron Morris and Ava Rodriguez and Percussion Ensemble, Lydia Bureson, Halle Curb, Drayton McLane, Garrett Olivarez, Ben Raines, Sam Redelsheimer, Molly Simmonds and Tanith Youngblood.



Class 1 Soloists (front row): Anne Marie Gilmore, William Won. (back row): Daniel Lander, Erik Oas, Daniel Cunningham, (not pictured): Diego Romero.



Flute trio: Emma Grant and Emma Madsen (not pictured: Chloe Ebeling)



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Clarinet Choir: (front row): Kaitlyn Casper, Paige Land, Daniel Lander, (back row): Harley McQuire, Nohemi Pena, Madeline Sunshine and Hannah White.



Percussion Ensemble: (front row): Aaron Trela, Anne Marie Gilmore, William Won. (back row): Andrew Rocha, Hunter Finch, Daniel Cunningham, Cooper Chambliss, (not pictured): Diego Romero.



Saxophone Quartet: Caley Aycok, Aria Musselman, MJ Garcia, Kaden Griffin.



French Horn Trio: Rachael Jett and Erik Oas (not pictured): Michael Edwards-Sarver.

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Eagles track teams place third in Panther meet

Salado Eagles Track team placed third in the Panther Relays in Waco Feb. 13.

Logan Pitts placed fifth in the 100 Meter Dash with a time of 11.55.

Logan Rickey placed third in the 800 Meter Run with a time of 2:06.82.

Boden Savage placed third in the 110 Meter Hurdles with a time of 19.18.

Nolan Williams placed fourth in the 300 Meter Hurdles with a time of 45.45.

Salado's 4x100 Meter Relay team of Chris Bates, Jayden Daugherty, Balde-mar Rodriguez and Wrook Brown placed second with a time of 45.03.

Salado's 4x400 Meter

Relay team of Greg Washington, Wrook Brown Nolan Williams and Derek Alvarado placed second with a time of 3:41.91.

Salado's Distance Mixed Relay team of Logan Rickey, Trey Graham, Isaac Huerta and Collin Wilson placed fourth with a time of 12:26.26.

Chance Hill placed fifth in the Discus with a distance of 107'0.

Nolan Williams won the High Jump reaching a height of 5'6. Logan Pitts placed fourth with a height of 5'0.

Preston Culp placed fifth in the Pole Vault with a height 9'0.

Salado Lady Eagles

Track team placed third in the Panther Relays in Waco Feb. 13.

Morgan Mayes placed third in the 100 Meter Dash with a time of 13.31.

Ellie Mescher won the 400 Meter Dash with a time of 66.89.

Joanna Steigerwalt placed fifth in the 800 Meter Run with a time of 2:49.46.

Jaci McGregor won the 1600 Meter Run with a time of 5:28.26. Katie Neas placed fourth with a time of 6:16.82.

Darci Pryor placed second in the 100 Meter Hurdles with a time of 17.65.

Avery Fossum placed third in the 300 Meter Hurdles with a time of 52.67.

Darci Pryor placed sixth with a time of 53.68.

Salado's 4x100 Meter Relay team of Angie Sanders, Morgan Mayes, Avery Fossum and Ellie Mescher placed fourth with a time of 52.14.

Salado's 4x400 Meter Relay team of Ellie Mescher, Morgan Mayes, Avery Fossum and Jaci McGregor placed first with a time of 4:23.32.

Landry Rogers placed third in the Discus with a distance of 99'3.50. Kymberleigh Deen placed sixth with a distance of 71'5.

Audrey Bender placed sixth in the Pole Vault with a height of 7'0.

Eagles lose to Lampasas, Burnet

Salado Eagles could back their way into the playoffs if they get a play-in against Lampasas. The Eagles lost to both Lampasas and Burnet last week. In the first round of district play, the Eagles went 5-1 before hitting a four-game losing streak.

The Eagles lost on the road to Lampasas 53-44 on Feb. 14.

Salado, trailing 14-18 at the end of the first, bounced back to lead 31-25 at the

half. The Eagles were held to just 13 second half points, while Lampasas put up 28 points in the second half.

Cade Scallin led the Eagles with 11 points. Also scoring for the Eagles were Josh Goings, 7 points, Peyton Miller and Eli Pittman, 6 points each, Noah Mescher and Austin Abel, 5 points each, and Caleb Self and LaTrell Jenkins, 2 points.

The Eagles fell to Burnet at home 76-65 on Feb. 11. Salado led at the end of the

first 20-18 and trailed 41-35 at the half. Burnet outscored Salado 35-30 in the second half.

Eli Pittman led Salado with 13 points. Josh Goings followed with 12 points, Cade Scallin scored 11 points and Peyton Miller scored 10 points.

Also scoring were Reese Brown, 6 points, Austin Abel, LaTrell Jenkins and Noah Mescher, 2 points each.

Salado JV Red edged out

host Lampasas by a score of 46-43 on Feb. 14. Leading the Eagles was Chase Joiner with 13 points.

Salado JV Red held off Burnet in a nail biter by a score of 39-38. Leading the Eagles was Caleb Sirmon with 10 points.

Salado freshmen boys basketball team defeated district foe Burnet by a score of 39-24. Leading the Eagles was Josh Gilpin with 20 points.

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Several Salado High School art students competed in the Regional VASE competition this past Saturday, February 15. They represented 32 pieces of artwork out of 1428 total entries from fifty-six different schools. Eighteen of our thirty-two received a Regional medal and qualified for the next round of judging (Area). In the end, eighty-five pieces received an Area medal and qualified for State VASE which will take place in April. Salado had one student qualify for state. Hunter Foster received an Area medal for his mixed media piece titled, Golden Death. Salado students who competed this year were: Austin Anderson, Brooke Bailey, Elizabeth Bullock, Lydia Craig, Janet Eschmann, Hunter Foster, Jasey Goings, Ava Heinzen, Austyn Montemayor, Sophia Olivarez, Kaitlyn Pffingsten, Bebe Rainwater, Piper Randolph, Wyatt Schoenrock, Molly Simmonds, Abigail Stiles, Lauren Sula, and Jessica Young.

SHS soccer teams split with LH, Lam

Salado Lady Eagles varsity soccer team split its games last week. The Lady Eagles lost 0-3 to Liberty Hill on Feb. 11.

The Varsity Lady Eagles finished the week taking on Lampasas on Feb. 14 with a 2-0 win. Goals were scored by Aubrey Heffner and Halley Piatak. Mackenzie Miller and Nohemi Pena recorded the assists.

The Varsity Eagles soccer team also split their games with Liberty Hill and Lampasas last week. The boys lost to Liberty Hill 0-4 on Feb. 11 and beat Lampasas 2-0 on Feb. 14. Both goals were scored by Javier Chavez.

Salado Village Guide

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Touring Texas Songwriters concerts return to RpT's Library

RpT's Library will host Touring Texas Songwriters concerts Feb. 23 and 27 at the recording studio of Richard Paul Thomas (RpT) 916 San Juan. RSVP at (254) 466-9065, or linda@tbcinternational.com to attend.

RpT's Library is producing and recording these live radio shows for broadcast in Switzerland, with podcast by the artists and RpT's Library on YouTube. Touring Texas Songwriters, a 50-minute show, features live recordings of songs by the artists along with an in-depth interview.

The Feb. 23 production features Frank Martin Gilligan at 1 p.m. and Bob Cheevers at 3 p.m.

Gilligan grew up in NYC, but when he was 19 years old....Texas happened. Frank moved to Beaumont, in the late 70's, he immediately formed Mason Dixon,



Frank Martin Gilligan kicks off the Feb. round of live performances and interviews featuring Texas songwriters. The show will be broadcast in Switzerland.

a Texas vocal group that enjoyed a pretty good run on the charts and on the road in the 1980's and 90's. They played with just about everyone who was big in Country music at the time and racked up 13 Billboard

chart singles. Mason Dixon's run lasted until 1993.

Gilligan put music aside for some time. That might have been the end of it had it not been for a bout with cancer in 2009. Chemo ruined the nerves in his hands

and feet and left him unable to play guitar. When he got his hands back, a lot of good songs came with it. Back to the stage and to the studio.



Bob Cheevers

With R&B roots in his hometown of Memphis to major label pop records in L.A. to journeyman songwriter in Nashville to his current, back-up-in-the-holler home in Austin Texas, Cheevers has covered

lots of artistic ground in his career. Whether playing shows in-and-around Austin or across the globe, Cheevers brings it all to the stage every night. An Emmy winning songwriter who was a show-opener on Johnny Cash's final tour, his favorite acknowledgment is his Texas Music Award for "Singer/ songwriter Of The Year," received three years after moving to Austin.

The Feb. 27 production features Stephanie Urbina Jones at 12:30 p.m.

Jones is a fiery Texas Latina performer breaking through Country Americana music with a south of the border, Honky Tonk Mariachi sound and style all her own. She tours internationally, having performed in fourteen countries, including appearances at the prestigious Montreux Jazz Festival, CMA Music Festival, Americana Music Festival,

Magic Town Music Fest in Mexico, Festival Country Rendez-vous in France, Country Gold in Japan, Gstaad Festival in Switzerland and the Belladrum Tartan Heart Fest in Scotland.



Stephanie Urbina Jones will wrap up this round of recordings on Feb. 27. Performances are open to the public, call ahead to reserve a spot.

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Events in the Village of Salado

THROUGH FEB 24
Public Surplus Auction by Salado ISD: Band Uniforms and Bus. See website for info

FEBRUARY 20 - 21
Early Voting in Salado, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Salado Church of Christ Activity Center

FEBRUARY 20
Pint Night: Altstadt Brewery, 5 p.m. - midnight at Chupacabra Craft Beer

FEBRUARY 20
The Run 4 Beer Group, 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

FEBRUARY 20
Village of Salado Board of Aldermen Meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Salado Municipal Building

FEBRUARY 21
Crocheting with Karen, 10:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. come and go at Stamp Salado

FEBRUARY 21
Celebrating Silver, Going for Gold Trivia Night to benefit Helping Hands

Ministry, 6 p.m. at Vista Community Church, 7051 Stonehollow in Temple. Registration and info: helpinghandsbelton.org/trivia-night

FEBRUARY 21
Threat Level Midnight 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Salado Public Library

FEBRUARY 21 & 22
The Hunter Gatherer Wine Dinner, 6:30 p.m. at Inn on the Creek. Wild Food from Farms, Woodlands, Creek Beds and Seas

FEBRUARY 21
Live Music: Larry Hooper, 7 p.m. at Chupacabra

FEBRUARY 21
Music from Ponce the Band, 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

FEBRUARY 21
The Wallace Family Band, 7:30 p.m. at Cedar Valley Baptist Church

FEBRUARY 22
Game On! grades 3 - 5 Session at 2 p.m. and grades 6 - 8 at 3 p.m. at Salado Public Library

FEBRUARY 22
Southern Hospitality Luncheon, noon at The Hunter Gatherer dining room in the Manor of Inn on the Creek

FEBRUARY 22
Brookshire Brothers Crawfish Boil, noon till sold out at Barrow Brewing

FEBRUARY 22
Music from Anthony Garcia, 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

FEBRUARY 22
Live Music: Deanna Wendolyn, 8 p.m. at Chupacabra

FEBRUARY 23
Early Voting in Salado, noon - 5 p.m. at Salado Church of Christ Activity Center

FEBRUARY 23
Coffee with Christ Bible Discussion Group, 9 a.m. at Dion Room of The Stagecoach Inn

FEBRUARY 23
Guest speaker Col. Thomas J. Curtis, USAF Retired, 10:45 p.m. at Village Church of Salado in Salado High School Cafeteria

FEBRUARY 23
Music from Chalkboard Poets, 4 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

FEBRUARY 24 - 28
Early Voting in Salado, 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. at Salado Church of Christ Activity Center

FEBRUARY 24
Salado Village Artists: Knitters, 1 - 3 p.m. and Stitchers, 1:30 - 4 p.m. at Salado Village Artists Building

FEBRUARY 24
Food and Wine for the People - Tapas Style Buffet, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. at The

Hunter Gatherer dining room in the Manor at Inn on the Creek

FEBRUARY 24
Bell County Historical Society meeting, 7 p.m. at Bell County Courthouse in Belton

FEBRUARY 25
Men's Prayer Breakfast, 8 a.m. at the Presbyterian Church of Salado

FEBRUARY 25
Salado Village Artists: brush art crafting and needle work, 9 - 11 a.m. at Salado Village Artist building

FEBRUARY 25
Sit and Knit, 10 a.m. - noon at Salado Public Library

FEBRUARY 25
Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner, 5:15 - 7 p.m. at Salado United Methodist Church

FEBRUARY 25
Salado Community Chorus practice, 6 p.m. Salado Civic Center

FEBRUARY 26
Guest Food Truck Night, 4 - 9 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

FEBRUARY 27
Ash Wednesday Come and Go Imposition of Ashes, 7 a.m. - 4 p.m. in the Historic Chapel of Salado United Methodist Church

FEBRUARY 26
Salado Lions Club, 11:30 a.m. at Salado Civic Center

FEBRUARY 26
Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church of Salado

FEBRUARY 26
ESL Classes, 6 p.m. at the Creekside Cottage of Salado First Baptist Church

FEBRUARY 26
Local Artist Open Mic Night, 6 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Company

FEBRUARY 27
Salado Area Republican Women Meeting, 11:30 a.m. at Salado Civic Center. Program: Healthcare

FEBRUARY 27
Baby Yoda Craft - ages 5 - 8, 5 p.m. at Salado Public Library



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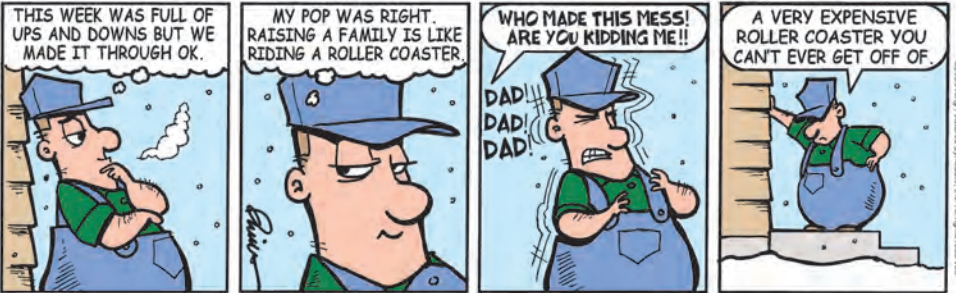
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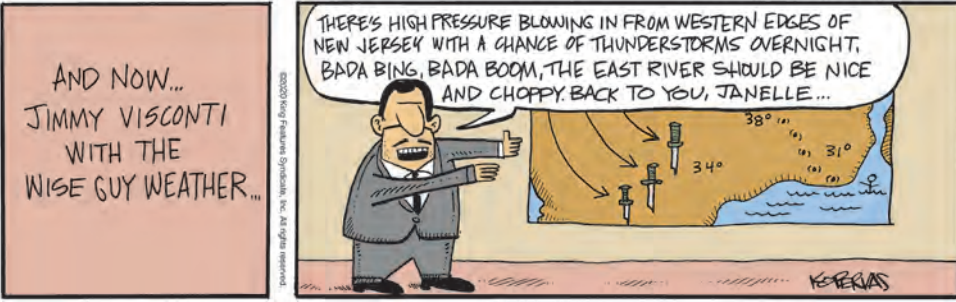
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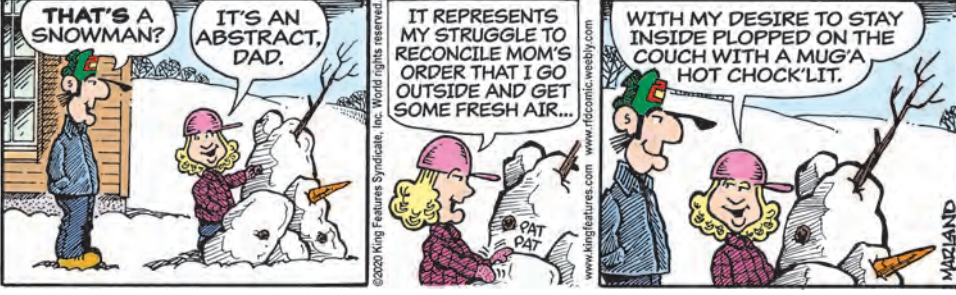
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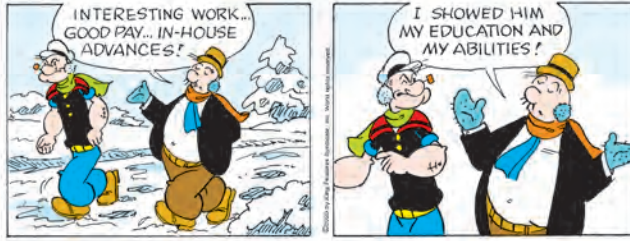
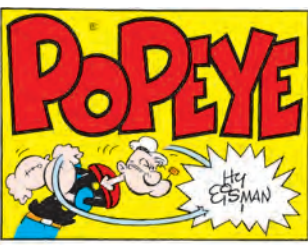
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The Spats

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Contract Bridge

SOUTH FINDS THE WINNING RECIPE

Consider the present deal where West leads a club against South's three-notrump contract. Declarer has seven ready-made tricks, and his only chance for two more lies in hearts.

- East dealer. East-West vulnerable. NORTH: ♠AJ6, ♥QJ52, ♦962, ♣K84. WEST: ♠1054, ♥A93, ♦J8, ♣Q10763. SOUTH: ♠KQ8, ♥8764, ♦AK3, ♣A92. EAST: ♠9732, ♥K10, ♦Q10754, ♣J5.

The bidding: East Pass, South 1 NT, West Pass, North 3 NT. Opening lead — six of clubs.

Adequate transportation from one hand to the other plays a critical role in declarer's management of his assets. In the same way, it is just as important for the defenders to maintain communication with each other's hands. It follows that anything that can be done to interfere with the other side's means of communication is all to the good.

South must therefore try to arrange his plays so as to lead hearts twice toward dummy in order to establish his eighth and ninth tricks. At the same time, however, he must keep a sharp eye peeled for what the defenders are doing.

Thus, if South wins East's jack of clubs with the ace, he will finish behind the well-known eight ball after East wins the jack of hearts with the king and returns a club. West's clubs become established before dummy's hearts, and East-West wind up scoring three clubs and two hearts to defeat the contract.

Declarer can avoid this outcome by allowing East's jack to win the first club trick. If East continues the suit, West's clubs drop out of the picture. Even though he may later establish them, he will have no entry to cash them.

East cannot overcome this difficulty by shifting to a diamond at trick two. In that case, declarer simply ducks as before, after which East cannot both establish and run his diamond suit.

In effect, it takes two good ducks to cook East's goose!

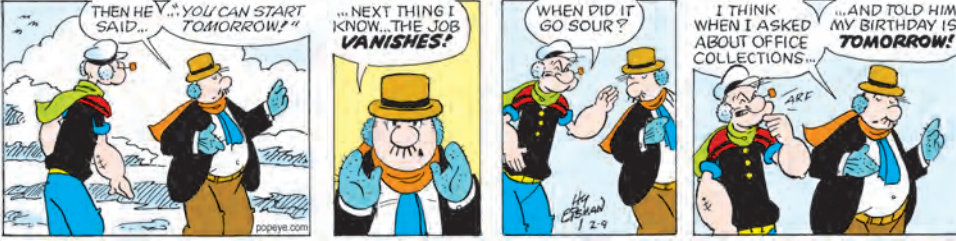
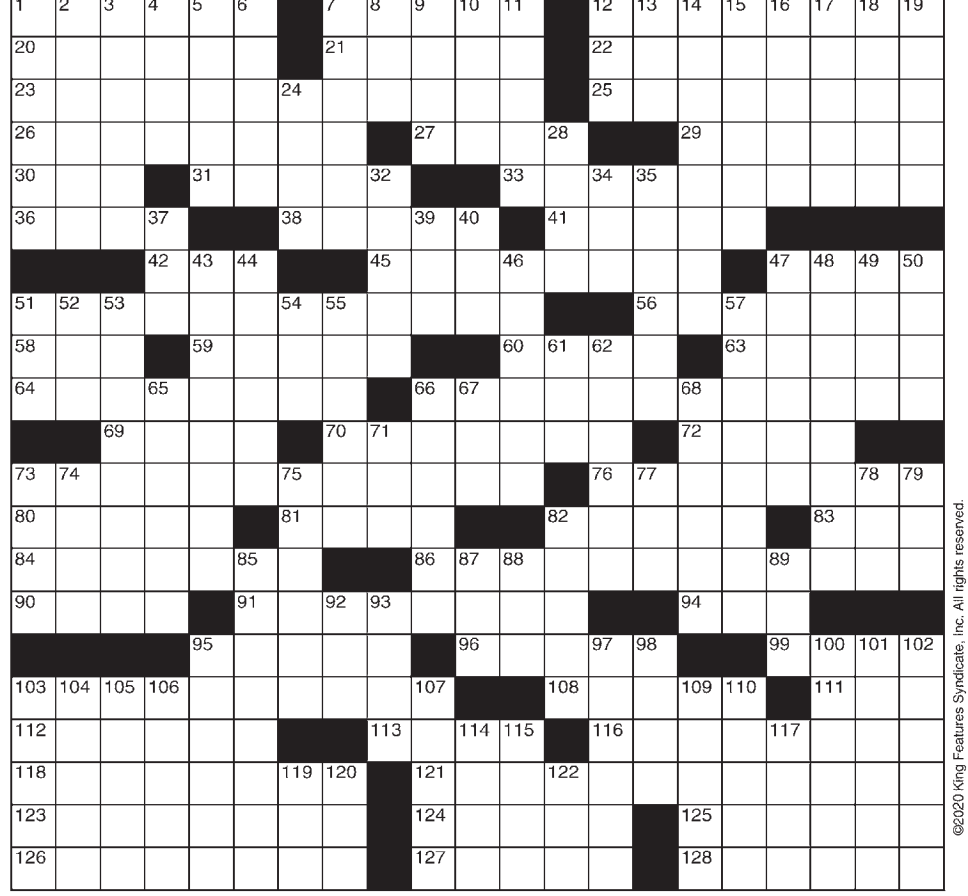
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by Steve Becker

Super Crossword

SHALL I COMPARE THEE?

- ACROSS: 1 Scared, 7 Side of a cut gem, 12 Fighting junk e-mail, 20 GMC truck, 21 Sunni's god, 22 "Mona Lisa" painter, 23 Danes wearing more frills?, 25 Easily caught baseball hits, 26 TV reception enhancers, 27 Tend the soil, 29 Court mallets, 30 SSgt., e.g., 31 Steel city in the Ruhr, 33 Feldman acting more bashfully?, 36 Time spent in office, 38 Rubbish, 41 Angry with, 42 "Modern Family" aier, 45 Certain quadrilateral, 47 One who's worshiped, 51 Griffin suffering more pain?, 56 Vacuum tube variety, 58 Pastoral tract "houses", 60 Prefix with mobile, 63 Charles of chair design, 64 Founding father Franklin, 66 Hemingway feeling more uptight?, 69 Noblewoman, 70 Flowers from Mexico, 72 Med. scans, 73 Fisher using more off-color language?, 76 Believing in one God, 80 "Remember the —!" "Splendor in the Grass" director Kazan, 82 John of lawn tractors, 83 I, to Klaus, 84 Import taxes, 86 Allen being more sly?, 90 Venue, 91 Big company, investment-wise, 94 Swirly letter, 95 Around, as a year, 96 Warble, 99 "I — film today ..." (Beatles lyric), 103 Buck looking more sickly?, 108 Nobelist Bohr, 111 Fleur-de- (iris), 112 Andean pack animals, 113 Light collision, 116 Minnow, e.g., 118 Weird things, 121 Duchamp showing more serenity?, 123 Chastised loudly, 124 Kowtow, say, 125 Brown slowly, 126 Grinning villains, often, 127 Nobelist Irish poet, 128 Rococo, 1 Down: 1 Leaning, 2 Engaged man, 3 Parish leader, 4 Singer India, 5 Papas of "Z", 6 Mends, as holey socks, 7 Less true, 8 — carte menu, 9 Film teaser, 10 British noble, 11 2003-07 Fox drama series, 12 High mount, 13 Revived: Prefix, 14 First-rate, 15 "Actually ..." "Gunfire burst", 17 Nosy sort, 18 "Someone Like You" singer, 19 Lichen-filled, 24 Film's actors, 28 Uterus, 32 Drug busters, 34 Hoopster Ming, 35 Newspaper employee, 37 — tai, 39 "Button it!", 40 — polloi, 43 Happened to, 44 "Mad Money" host Jim, 46 Bad guy, 47 Pakistanis' neighbors, 48 Not foreign, as policy, 49 Lyric works, 50 "Judge not, — ye be judged", 51 Tirana's land: Abbr., 52 Dee lead-in, 53 Vendor's pushable vehicle, 54 "Do — say, not ..." "Grease" director Kleiser, 57 Hunting dogs, 61 Old Glory's country, 62 One being examined, 65 "Thor" actress Alexander, 66 Old Balkan region, 67 Lilly of drugs, 68 Come to light, 71 Jackie's #2, 73 "Curses!", 74 Jai —, 77 That girl's, 78 Here, to Fifi, 79 Fidel's friend, 82 Immerse, 85 Opposite, 87 Pretend, 88 Long-jawed fish, 89 Biblical beast, 92 Philips rival, 93 Attire, 95 Lunar feature, 97 Defames in writing, 98 — jet, 100 Keys of R&B, 101 Least naive not ..., 102 Singer Simpson, 103 Ruses, 104 John on the Mayflower, 105 Chili server, 106 Boxer Griffith, 107 Fortuitous, 109 Pole dance?, 110 "Oh My My" singer Ringo, 114 Lion's locks, 115 "SOS!", e.g., 117 Drescher or Tarkenton, 119 Gift for music, 120 Many GPS lines: Abbr., 122 Gathered



Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

- 1. SCIENCE: What is dendrochronology? 2. FOOD & DRINK: What are the ingredients in a Tom Collins drink? 3. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Who is considered to be the father of nuclear Navy submarines? 4. LITERATURE: Who wrote the novel "Anne of Green Gables"? 5. AD SLOGANS: Which product is advertised as "the quicker picker-upper"? 6. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the shortest president in U.S. history? 7. HISTORY: Who was the oldest signer of the U.S. Declaration of Independence? 8. GEOGRAPHY: Which country lies on the eastern border of Ukraine? 9. MOVIES: Which 1980s movie featured the Top Ten hit song "Danger Zone" (Kenny Loggins)? 10. MEDICAL: Who is the drug morphine named for?

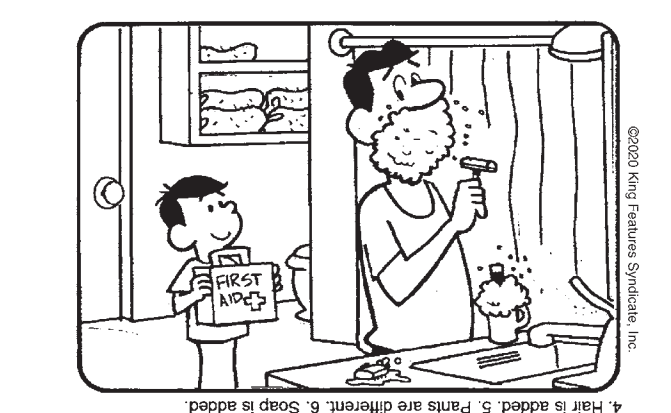
- Answers: 1. The scientific method of dating tree rings, 2. Gin, lemon juice, simple syrup and club soda, 3. Admiral Hyman Rickover, 4. Lucy Maud Montgomery, 5. Bounty paper towels, 6. James Madison, 5-foot-4, 7. Benjamin Franklin (70), 8. Russia, 9. "Top Gun", 10. Morpheus (Greek god of sleep and dreams)

Weekly SUDOKU grid with numbers 1-9 in some cells.

Weekly SUDOKU by Linda Thistle. Grid with numbers. Text: 'Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.' Difficulty: Moderate. Challenging. HOO BOY!

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF



Differences: 1. Towel is missing, 2. Toilet is added, 3. Shirt is different, 4. Hair is added, 5. Parts are different, 6. Soap is added.

Answers for the crossword puzzle.

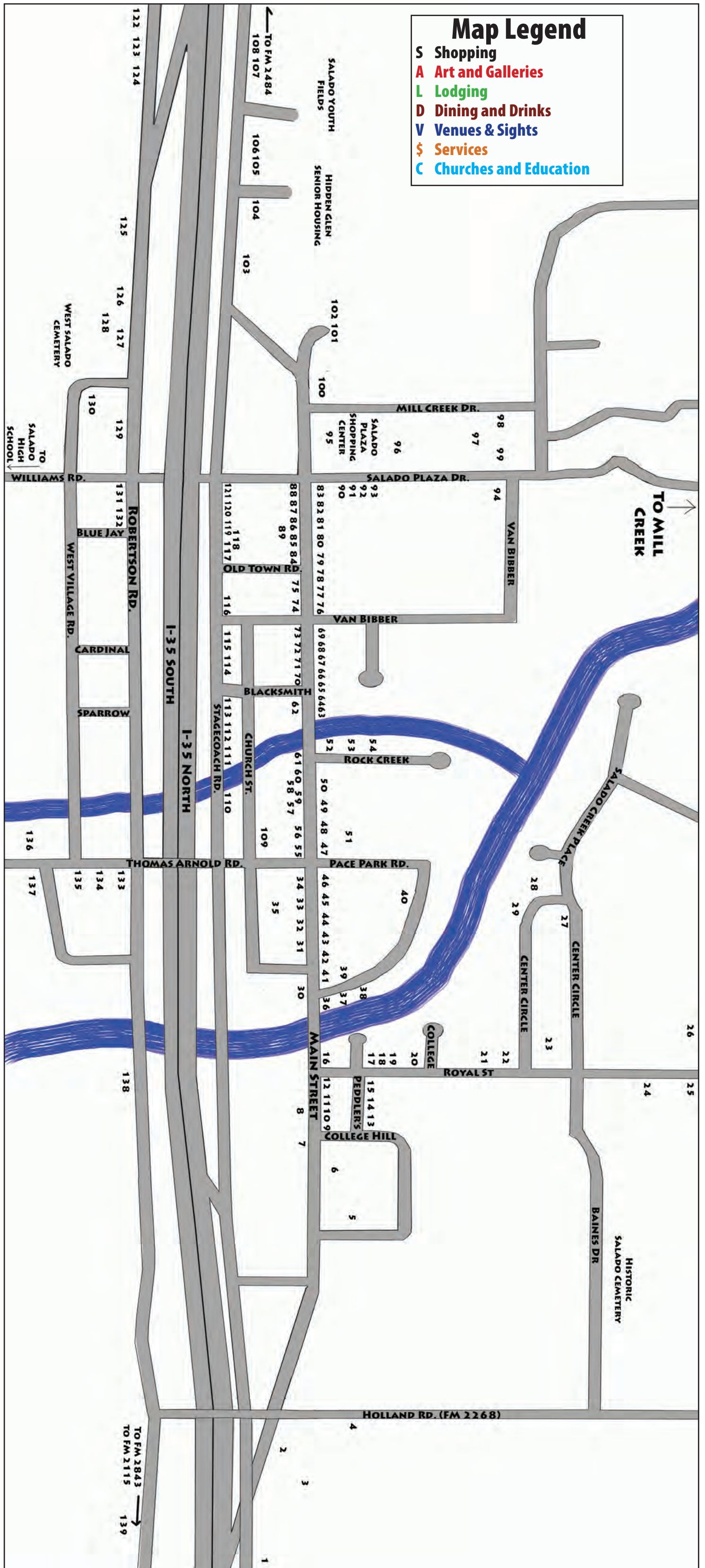
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Shopping Map of Salado

#	Business Name	Type
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6	Salado College Park 254-947-5232	V
7	Raney & Associates 254-913-1215	\$
9	Salado Museum 254-947-5232	V
	Salado Visitors Center 254-947-8634	\$
	Salado Chamber of Commerce 254-947-5040	\$
	Village of Salado Tourism Office 254-947-8634	\$
10	Sofi's 254-947-4336	S
11	Chupacabra Craft Beer and Winery (512) 576-0123	D
	Chupacabra Kitchen (254) 308-2019	D
14	Salado Glassworks 254-947-0339	A
16	The Sugar Shack 254-947-8840	S/D
17	Barrow Brewing Co. 254-947-3544	D
	Happy Pizza 254-226-1684	
21	The Venue 254-947-5554	V
22	The Shed 254-947-1960	D
24	Tablerock 254-947-9205	V
26	Salado United Methodist Church 254-947-5482	C
29	Alexander's Distillery 254-947-5554	D
29	Inn on the Creek 254-947-5554	L
	Alexanders Craft Cocktails & Kitchen 254-947-3828	D
30	First Baptist Church 254-947-546	C
31	Fairway Mortgage 254-947-3454	\$
32	First Texas Brokerage 254-947-5577	\$
34	First Community Title 254-947-8480	\$
	Farmer's Insurance Zbranek Agency 254-947-0995	\$
40	W.A. Pace Memorial Park 254-947-5060	V
49	Lively Coffeehouse & Bistro 254-947-3688	D
53	Salado Creek Healing 254-308-0242	\$
55	Salado Family Dentistry 254-947-5242	\$
58	The Shoppes on Main The Marketplace Cafe 254-947-0888	S D
60	Salado Creek Jewelry 254-855-5538	S
62	The Pizza Place 254-947-0222	D
65	ERA Colonial Real Estate 254-947-3400	\$
75	Stage Stop Center Bruce Bolick, CPA 254-718-7299	\$
76	Salado Civic Center 254-947-5479	\$
81	Salado Wine Seller and Salado Winery Co. 254-947-8011	D
82	St. Joseph's Episcopal Church 254-947-3160	C
85	Salado Post Office 254-947-5322	\$
86	Bill Bartlett – Century 21 254-947-5050	\$
87	The Personal Wealth Coach 254-947-1111	\$
89	Stamp Salado 254-947-8848	S
90	Presbyterian Church of Salado 254-947-8106	C
91	Troy Smith Financial Services 254-947-0376	\$
92	Salado Sculpture Garden	A
96	Salado Plaza Ace Pest Control 254-947-4222	\$
	Anytime Fitness Salado 254-947-1063	\$
	Integrity Rehab 254-699-3933	\$
	Salado's Hair Shop 254-421-5173	\$
	Salado Village Voice 254-947-5321	\$
97	Brookshire Brothers 254-947-8922	S
100	Salado Public Library 254-947-9191	C
101	Salado Cleaners 254-947-7299	S
113	Salado Church of Christ 254-947-5241	C
126	Cowboy's Barbecue 254-947-5700	D
130	Village Spirits 254-947-7117	S
132	Broecker Funeral Home 254-947-0066	\$
135	Carus Dental 254-947-8067	\$
136	Salado Schools & Stadium Village Church of Salado 972-978-2239	C C
139	Cedar Valley Baptist Church 254-947-0148	C

Not Shown on the Shopping Map

Don Ringer 254-774-6500	\$
3C Cowboy Fellowship 254-947-7211	C
Grace Church 254-947-5917	C
Mill Creek Country Club 254-947-5698	V
Brody's Mill Creek Clubhouse 254-654-7885	D
JD's Truck Stop and Grill 254-947-5228	S/D

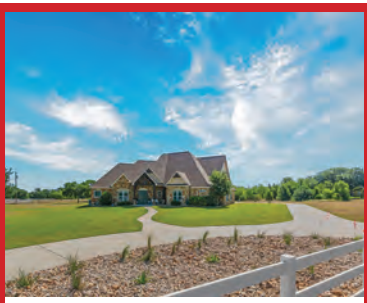


Historical Markers in Salado

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

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FEBRUARY

C21 HOMEOWNER TIP

- Pour 1 gallon of water down unused drains
- Service kitchen disposal by grinding several cups of ice cubes
- Clean frost-free refrigerator drain pan

