



## Beer & wine petition circulates

By TIM FLEISCHER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Texas Petition Strategies is working with a local business to place on the November 2020 ballot a local option alcohol election to legalize “the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premise consumption only” for Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2, which includes Salado, Holland, Bartlett and unincorporated areas.

In order to get the local option election placed on the November 2020 ballot, a petition with 1,977 signatures would be needed to be verified. The signatures would need to be of registered voters.

State law requires that a local option election petition for alcohol sales have 35% of the number of votes cast in the most recent gubernatorial election for the proposed area.

Texas Petition Strategies will have 60 days to collect the signatures, beginning June 2.

The petition, whether successful or not, will be presented to the Bell County Commissioners in order to be entered into the minutes. If the petition effort is successful, Commissioners Court will order the election to be put on the November ballot.

### Local Option Elections in Salado

The Village of Salado, since incorporating in 2000, has had a handful of local option elections, beginning in 2006.

Prior to that, Salado was considered dry. You could not buy beer or wine for off-premise consumption. You could buy mixed drinks and beer and wine by becoming a member of a private club, which is how many establishments across the state operated. Who among us remember the Unicard concept under which many restaurants in Salado operated prior to successful wet elections?

Texas voters approved in 2004 a constitutional amendment allowing wineries that used Texas grapes to operate in dry areas. In 2005, Sheldon Vickers and June Ritterbusch opened Salado Winery Co. operating as a winery and using Texas grapes, including those they grow on

the Salado Vineyard off of Hill Rd. five miles south of Salado.

In November 2006, Village of Salado voters approved overwhelmingly a local option that would allow Salado restaurants to serve alcohol by the drink. The local option passed 740 (76.60 percent) for and 226 (23.40 percent) against. The local option only applies to the incorporated limits of the Village of Salado.

An election was held for the Village of Salado, Bell County, on November 6, 2007, on the issue of “the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only.” The issue passed by a vote of 485 FOR and 135 AGAINST.

An election was held for the Village of Salado, Bell County, on May 10, 2014, on the issue of “the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption only.” The issue PASSED by a vote of 441 FOR and 225 AGAINST.

In May 2015, the proposal for the legal sale of beer and wine was overwhelmingly approved by Village of Salado voters, 783 in favor and 229 against for the sale of beer and wine for on-premises consumption without the previous requirement of a mixed beverage permit or a food and beverage certificate.

Following are the various kinds of local option elections allowed within the state of Texas for the sale of alcohol:

“The legal sale of beer for off-premise consumption only.”

“The legal sale of beer.”

“The legal sale of beer and wine for off-premise consumption only.”

“The legal sale of beer and wine.”

“The legal sale of all alcoholic beverages for off-premise consumption only.”

“The legal sale of all alcoholic beverages except mixed beverages.”

“The legal sale of all alcoholic beverages including mixed beverages.”

“The legal sale of mixed beverages.”

“The legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only.”

“The legal sale of wine on the premises of a holder of a winery permit.”

saw a 7.6% decrease in the June sales tax payment when compared to June 2019, receiving \$36,565.26. For the year, sales tax payments to the Village show no change compared to payments through June 2019.

Temple’s decrease was just 1%, while Belton’s was less 1% decrease. Killeen actually saw an increase of 5.6% in its sales tax payment for June.

Salado Public Library District’s June payment was actually an increase of 14% over last June’s. The District received \$33,964.65 for the half-cent sales tax it levies. For the year, the Library Dis-



(PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Salado High School graduates toss their mortar boards in the air at the conclusion of Commencement ceremonies June 13 at the University of Mary Hardin Baylor’s Crusader Stadium. For more photos, turn to the B section.

## Public hearing slated on SISD’s \$19.3 mil operating budget

By TIM FLEISCHER  
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Salado ISD trustees will conduct a public hearing on the proposed 2020-2021 school year budget at 6 p.m. June 29 at the Salado Civic Center.

The board proposed a total tax rate of \$1.4264 per \$100 evaluation. Of that, \$0.9264 per \$100 valuation will be for maintenance and operations and \$0.50 per \$100 will be for debt service.

Trustees may adopt the tax rate at the June 29 meeting or at a later meeting. The board cannot adopt a rate higher than the proposed tax rate unless it publishes a revised notice.

The proposed budget represents an increase of 11.5% in maintenance and operations and an increase of 40.2% in debt service. The district has a total of \$60,690,000 in bonded indebtedness.

Proposed taxable property

values for 2020 show an increase of about 20% over last year. The Bell County Appraisal District has submitted preliminary values for the Salado ISD at \$1.22 billion, compared to \$1.0 billion certified taxable values in 2019.

Of that, \$60 million is in new property, according to Bell CAD.

The average market value of residences in Salado ISD has increase from \$286,610 in 2019 to the preliminary value of \$325,423 for 2020-

21. The average taxable value of Salado ISD residences is \$274,948 compared to \$248,250 in 2019.

Despite the lower proposed tax rate, Salado ISD taxes due on an average residence for 2020 are \$3,921.85 compared to \$3,649.27, an increase of \$272.58

The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.523700.

SEE SCHOOL BUDGET, PAGE 4A

## Petition submitted to county for emergency services district

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Salado Volunteer Fire Department Chief Shane Berrier turned in a petition to county officials calling for the creation of Bell County Emergency Services District #1 (BCESD #1). The petition was turned in on June 12.

The petition has more than 140 signatures of registered voters living within the 115 sq. mile area of the

proposed BCESD #1. One hundred verified signatures of registered voters living within the proposed area is all that is needed to put the proposed formation of the BCESD #1 on the ballot for November 3.

The petition calls for the creation of the BCESD #1 with the 115 square mile area that comprise the service area of the Salado Volunteer Fire Department and setting a property tax rate of \$0.08 per \$100 valuation.

At that proposed rate, the property taxes due for a home of \$250,000 will be \$200 per year. The average homestead value for Salado ISD, which has boundaries that are very similar to the proposed boundaries for the ESD, is \$276,292 in 2020, an increase of 10 percent over last year’s \$252,048.

According to Bell County Tax Appraiser Billy White, Emergency Services Districts cannot freeze taxes. They can, however, adopt ex-

emptions of \$3,000 or more for homesteads of those over 65 and disabled.

Formation of BCESD #1 and approval of the tax rate will allow the Salado VFD to hire its first full-time firefighters. According to Chief Berrier, the department would start with at least two full-time firefighters to man the station on FM 2484 and an administrator to handle the daily operations.

SEE FIRE DISTRICT, PAGE 4A

## Sales tax payment to Village of Salado drops 7.6%

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar sent cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$690.4 million in local sales tax allocations for June, 11.7 percent less than in June 2019.

These allocations are based on sales made in April by businesses that report tax monthly.

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, widespread social distancing requirements were in place across much of the state in April, leading to the steepest year-over-year decline in allocations since September 2009.

The Village of Salado

Sales tax comparison for Salado & Bell County entities							
Entity	Rate	June 2020	June 2019	Change	YTD 2020	YTD 2019	Change
Salado	1.00%	\$36,565.26	\$39,557.07	-7.56%	\$271,478.50	\$271,668.11	-0.06%
Salado Public							
Library District	0.500%	\$33,964.65	\$29,789.91	14.01%	\$224,772.82	\$199,446.99	12.69%
Bell	0.500%	\$1,778,138.83	\$1,692,274.04	5.07%	\$10,963,782.26	\$10,309,894.34	6.34%
Belton	1.50%	\$431,865.25	\$434,410.37	-0.58%	\$2,887,167.68	\$2,598,863.39	11.09%
H.Heights	1.50%	\$579,848.85	\$577,348.80	0.43%	\$3,800,204.41	\$3,659,627.59	3.84%
Holland	1.25%	\$9,494.51	\$6,258.52	51.7%	\$49,833.84	\$44,803.04	11.22%
Killeen	1.50%	\$2,031,901.49	\$1,924,245.69	5.59%	\$12,536,727.14	\$12,430,082.05	0.85%
LR-Academy	1.00%	\$8,406.88	\$6,939.71	21.14%	\$51,331.80	\$42,558.05	20.61%
Morgans PR	1.50%	\$23,480.12	\$20,064.29	17.02%	\$153,115.41	\$123,810.76	23.66%
Nolanville	1.50%	\$97,313.48	\$75,449.71	28.97%	\$515,385.87	\$405,929.93	26.96%
Rogers	1.25%	\$6,930.01	\$5,918.30	17.09%	\$48,436.05	\$37,225.32	30.11%
Temple	1.50%	\$1,835,690.54	\$1,853,600.82	-0.96%	\$12,025,699.41	\$11,369,523.96	5.77%
Troy	1.50%	\$41,842.33	\$50,163.00	-16.58%	\$269,516.12	\$219,395.90	22.84%

trict is running 12.7% ahead with \$224,772.82 in sales tax payments.

Bell County also had an increase in its June payment of 5.1%. The County

received \$1.8 million for the half-cent sales tax it levies. For the year, Bell County is

running 6.3% ahead of 2019, having received \$10.9 million in sales tax payments.

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## 2020's new normal: markets see bad news as not-so-bad

### The Markets

Our old friend the S&P 500 stock index (SPX) was quite stable through Wednesday but then Thursday came and the news was out that hospitalizations for COVID-19 were up 42% since Memorial Day in Texas. That spooked the markets with the S&P 500 dropping 5.9% on Thursday, the biggest single day drop since March. It partly retraced some of that loss by rising 1.3% on Friday to close at 3041.31, down 4.78% for the week. That leaves the SPX down 5.86% year to date, and down 10.18% from its top last February. Still, it remains up 35.93% from the bottom in late March. The result of this week's market activity looks to us like a good reflection of reality as we can see it right now. In 19 states coronavirus cases and hospitalizations appear to be rising. There is a legitimate fear that we will see a second wave of the pandemic and it will hit primarily in those states that avoided the first one.

The U.S. 10-year treasury note yields grew a bit more pessimistic as they trended lower through Thursday then rose just a bit on Friday to end the week at 0.706%, down 21% from last week. The yield curve though, remained solidly positive, forecasting better times next year. West Texas Intermediate crude oil (WTI) joined in the cautionary mood, dropping 6.31% to close out the week at \$36.50. While today's price is certainly better than it has been in the recent past, it is still down over 40% year to date.

### The Economy

Daily COVID-19 hospitalizations in Texas averaged 1,515 through April, rose to 1,672 in May, but rose to over 2,000 so far in June. It is not that Texas cannot handle 2,000 COVID-19 hospitalizations; it is the 42% rise in the numbers that spooked the markets. Arizona, Utah,

### Market & Economic Update

By Jeffrey W. McClure



and 16 other states also are reporting accelerating rises in COVID-19 infections. As we have written before, a reasonably fast economic recovery is dependent upon several things. First, Congress and the Federal Reserve need to continue to infuse money into the economy until it returns to health. Second, we must avoid having a second wave of coronavirus infections. Anecdotal information suggests that as we come off lockdown a lot of people are acting like there is no longer any danger. This week the markets noticed that.

We had another case of not so bad news looking like good news this week. 1.5 million people filed initial unemployment claims during the week. Any other time that many initial unemployment claims would panic the market but compared with the 7 million in the week ending March 28, 1.5 million doesn't look half bad. The number of Americans drawing on unemployment benefits also declined to 20.9 million, again an astonishingly large number just not quite as bad as it used to be. To give this some perspective, before the pandemic the record high for continuing claims was 6.6 million in 2009.

In yet another not so bad news report, the University of Michigan consumer sentiment survey rose to 78.9 as of June 10 from a reading of 72 last month. To give that number some perspective, at the beginning of the year the index was reading 101. Buried in the survey though was some unsettling information. Nearly half of consumers said they expected another downturn caused by a coronavirus resurgence to occur this year.

This week, the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER) announced officially that a recession had started in February. On Friday Moody's Analytics opined that the recession had ended in early June. Moody's did qualify their opinion by saying that the nascent recovery they believe started in early June could be killed by the same two things we are concerned about; a resurgence of the coronavirus or the failure of Congress to pass more stimulus.

A survey by the Wall Street Journal of US economists found that about two thirds of them believe that here in the second quarter we will see the worst of the economic slump and in the third quarter we will begin to see a recovery. Unfortunately, they also expect that unemployment will still be around 9.6% in December of this year. The Federal Reserve chimed in and in the words of Chairman Powell, "We have not yet begun to think about thinking about raising interest rates." indicating that the Fed was still willing to support the economy and would be for some time.

In summary, it appears the economy may have hit bottom early this month or the end of last month. While technically a recession ends when the economy hits bottom, it is no more the end of the bad news than a coastal town would see just after the hurricane had passed. We have a lot of rebuilding to do and the storm may not yet be over, but there is hope. We continue to agree with the Federal Reserve that it will take about two and half years from the onset of this pandemic for us to see anything like a return to normal.

## Retired school employees work for scholarships, collaboration

The Bell County Retired School Employees Association (BCRSEA) invites retired educators to join their organization.

The BCRSEA supports

1. legislative efforts to maximize and protect retirement benefits for retired educators

2. scholarships for future educators

3. collaboration with local and state organizations

4. volunteerism in our communities and, last but not least

5. fellowship with other area educators.

You can be an active member and join them at their monthly meetings or you can join as an inactive member, but still receive information from the state and local level and have a

## Superintendent's Corner

by Dr. Michael Novotny



voice. BCRSEA meets at Grace Presbyterian Church on the first Thursday of each month September through May at 2:00 pm.

Annual dues are \$45, due by June 1st. This includes the \$35 State dues and \$10 Local dues. State dues must be paid in order to join the local unit. Checks should be made out to BCRSEA. Dues can be sent to Elaine McSpedon at 3025 Hemlock Circle, Temple, TX, 76502.

The current board members of the Bell County Retired Employees Association (BCRSEA) are:

Robin Battershell, 2020-2021 President

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First Vice-President - President Elect, Clayton Brantley

First Vice-President - Membership Karen McGregor

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## Corporate welfare is killing American capitalism

By RICHARD SCHOTTENFELD  
PATRIOTIC MILLIONAIRES

Adam Smith, the economist commonly known as the Father of Capitalism, famously wrote of an "invisible hand" that regulated capitalism. His theory, considered to be one of the cornerstones of our modern economy, was that in a free market consumers and sellers pursuing their own self-interest would lead to everyone ending up better off. The constant back and forth between buyers and sellers looking out only for themselves would, thanks to the invisible hand of the market, lead to lower prices, quality goods, and fair profits.

That's how capitalism is supposed to work. But thanks to a government asleep at the wheel, growing corporate monopoly power has chopped off the invisible hand, leading to an economy that increasingly concentrates prosperity in the hands of small number of rich and powerful elites. If we want to put our economy back on track for long-term, widely-shared growth as it emerges from a coronavirus shutdown, the government needs to stop propping up corporate profits and allowing private companies to become "too big to fail."

What many don't understand about capitalism is that it's not just about growth - our economy needs creative destruction as well. Creative destruction punishes those who misread the markets or overextend themselves, and moves the assets they amassed to be put into more productive hands. Without this destruction, automobile and light bulb manufacturers would never have displaced carriage builders and candle makers. For progress and growth to occur, companies need to be able to fail.

But over the last several decades we've seen a greater and greater concentration of our economy into fewer and fewer hands. With regulators and policymakers allowing companies like Amazon to use new technol-

ogies to take over markets in monopolistic ways, the number of public companies has plunged as larger companies swallow smaller ones. This process has in times of economic stress led many bad actors to be considered "too big to fail," leading the government to repeatedly bail out a system in dire need of the market's creative destruction.

Just look at the government's response to the coronavirus pandemic. Some money was spent on directly helping the American people, but the vast majority of aid was directed at propping up corporate America and a market that has become completely untethered from the real economy that most Americans experience. No rational person can look at a stock market reaching new highs while our economy is on life support and believe the market is reflective of the current state of our economy. Instead it is reflective of a system that is supporting those in society who need that support the least.

While the current rhetoric from conservatives in Washington attacks progressive social programs designed to lift those at the bottom as socialism, the truth is that they're the ones giving away irresponsible handouts. Thanks to massive amounts of corporate welfare given out through Fed intervention, lax regulation, and billions of dollars in fiscal stimulus, our free market capitalist society has been replaced by a new era of corporate socialism.

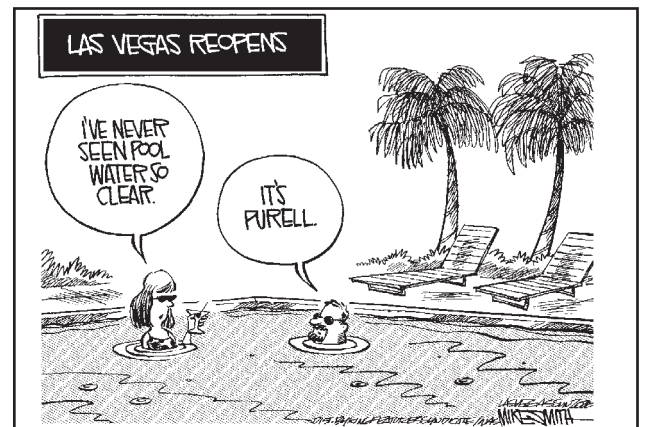
Debt-fueled government support and access to cheap debt have combined to cre-

ate an illusion of prosperity. But like a drug addict in need of greater and greater doses to get his fix, each time the temporary high of these programs reveals the rot at the heart of our economy it takes a larger and larger stimulus from the government to keep things going.

The spread of coronavirus may have kick-started our current economic crisis, but it didn't create the problems now facing our country. All it did was reveal the dysfunction underneath the surface. We cannot continue to allow a small number of irresponsible corporations to swallow up more and more of our economy secure in the knowledge that the government will bail them out if things ever take a turn for the worse.

It's time for some tough love. Our government needs to allow more companies to fail. It'll hurt in the short run, but failing to address these issues will only lead to a catastrophe too large to mitigate if not now, then in the near future. The invisible hand will eventually make itself known whether we want it to or not.

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## Sibley marries Beale June 6 on College Hill

Lisa Sibley and Edward "Ed" Beale, both of Salado, were united in marriage in an intimate, small ceremony June 6 on College Hill in Salado.

The bride is the branch office administrator for the Edward Jones Salado office. The groom is a floorhand for Patterson UTI, working on a rig in Midland.

Kenny Kelarek officiated the ceremony.

Flower girl was Illeona Beale, daughter of the bride and groom.

The bride was walked down the aisle by her best friend, Oliver Scott of Salado. Angela Mercado played acoustic guitar while singing *I Choose You* by Ruann Darling.

Following the outdoor ceremony, a reception was held at the Salado Museum.

The family will be taking a family-moon to Hawaii.



Mr. and Mrs. Beale with daughter Illeona

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## Temple College extends deadline to apply for new adult learner programs

The Temple College Adult Education and Literacy program has extended the application deadline for a new program that can help adult learners earn certification in high-demand fields.

The original application deadline of May 29 has been extended through June 25.

Training programs that will be available this fall are Electrocardiography (EKG), Phlebotomy and

Commercial Drivers License.

The courses will be offered through Temple College's Business and Continuing Education Division.

Individuals who apply and are selected for the programs will receive a scholarship that covers 100% of tuition and certification testing fees.

Program participants also will receive additional training in areas such as medical terminology and

medical math.

For more information on the Direct Your Destiny Certification Scholarships,

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# School budget

election is \$1.523700. Salado school trustees in May approved adding the fifth golden penny to the tax rate when they proposed the M&O tax rate of \$0.9264 per \$100 evaluation, which is the maximum M&O tax rate allowable by state law. The tax rate represents a decrease from last year's M&O rate \$0.94 per \$100 valuation.

The board also approved a proposed 2020-2021 operating budget of \$19.3 million and set the public hearing for the budget for June 29 for final adoption of the budget.

The proposed budget is \$2 million more than the 2019-20 budget of \$17.3 million and \$4.1 million more than the 2018-19 bud-

get of \$15.1 million. Student enrollment in 2018-19 was anticipated at 1,964, while actual enrollment in May 2019 was 1,956. Enrollment in 2019-2020 was budgeted at 2,055, while actual enrollment for May 2020 was 2,056. Enrollment in 2020-21 is budgeted at 2,160.

The proposed budget will have an increase of \$1.4 million in state funds to \$9.1 million and a \$470,000 increase in local funds to \$10.1 million.

The largest increase in expenditures is in Instruction, from \$9 million to \$10.7 million. School leadership increases by \$76,000 while guidance and counseling increases \$298,000. Instructional leadership will double in cost to \$280,000

from \$130,500 last year. Extra curricular will increase almost \$100,000 to \$1.4 million. Plant Maintenance will increase substantially with the opening of the Middle School to \$2 million from \$1.6 million.

The district will not have a one time facilities acquisition cost of \$1 million that was on the books of the 2019-2020 budget.

The operating budget has grown from \$12.7 million in 2015-16 with 1,622 enrollment to the \$19.3 million proposed budget for 2020-21.

The board also approved the Child Nutrition budget (now separate from the M&O budget). The nutrition budget for 2020-2021 is \$642,911, or \$297.64

per student enrolled. In 2015-16, nutrition costs were \$534,973, or \$329.82 per student enrolled. The 2020-2021 is budgeted on \$300,000 in local revenues, \$21,296 in state revenues, \$241,761 in federal revenues and \$79,854 transferred from the M&O budget.

The proposed budget includes a debt service budget of \$5.8 million for 2020-2021, an increase of almost \$900,000 from 2019-20. Since 2015-16, the debt service budget has increased from \$1.4 million to the proposed \$5.8 million. Of that debt service, \$1.7 million is designated as operating transfers out for the early payoff of an existing bond.

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# Fire district

Currently, the fire department is manned solely by volunteers who leave home or work at any hour of the day or night whenever

the call has been issued through the county 911 system.

Having professional firefighters man the fire sta-

tion would reduce response time in the 115 square mile area that the SVFD serves. These firefighters would be supported and supplement-

ed by the volunteers who remain on the call.

Creation of BCESD#1 would also support the fire department in the purchase, upgrade and update of vehicles and other equipment and apparatus.

"We have a good fire department," Chief Berrier said. "This will help us to keep our equipment and vehicles up-to-date."

Berrier and the volunteers apply for grants and hold fund raisers whenever they need to buy specific equipment.

"These are not part of our regular budget," Chief Berrier said of the capital expenses. "This would help us better plan for and pay for equipment and vehicles."

The current budget for fuel, equipment maintenance and repairs and other costs is about \$145,000.

The proposed tax rate of \$0.08 per \$100 valuation would generate almost \$1 million per year, based on the proposed property values of \$1.2 billion for Salado ISD.

If approved by local voters in November, the BCESD#1 would be overseen by an elected board of directors. The first interim board would likely be appointed until an election could be held to fill the board. After that period, terms on the board would stagger and elections would be held every year.

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Call Type Description	#
Agency Assist	10
Alarm Business	2
Alarm Residential	2
Animal Complaint	3
Calls For Service	88
Citations	25
Citizen Contact	4
Crash	3
Criminal Mischief	2
Disturbance	1
Evading in a Vehicle	1
Fire	1
House Watch	42
Intoxicated Driver	1
Medical	5
Reckless Driving	3
Runaway	1
Stalled Vehicle	5
Stranded Motorists	2
Suspicious Circumstances	6
Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle	1
Village Ordinance Violation	1
Welfare Concern	3

**NOTICE**

The past couple of weeks we have experienced a couple of vehicle thefts (golf carts/ATV's). In one case the keys were left in the golf cart. As a reminder please remove the keys and secure your valuables to prevent the theft.

FYI, the vehicles were recovered and returned to their owners. A warrant is pending review by the Bell County District Attorney's office for the latest offense.

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The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

<b>Maintenance Tax</b>	\$0.926400 /\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
<b>School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters</b>	\$0.500000 /\$100 (Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

**Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget**

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	11.508800% (increase) or	% (decrease)
Debt service	40.241000% (increase) or	% (decrease)
Total expenditures	16.600000% (increase) or	% (decrease)

**Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under section 26.04, Tax Code)**

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$1,731,408,367	\$1,970,449,181
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$59,598,971	\$65,670,678
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$1,004,478,742	\$1,223,275,560
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$54,954,087	\$61,460,386

\* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.  
\*\* "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.  
\*\*\* "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

**Bonded Indebtedness**

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness: \$60,690,000

\* Outstanding principal

**Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates**

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$0.970000	\$0.500000*	\$1.470000	\$7,048	\$3,739
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$1.079320	\$0.137350*	\$1.216670	\$5,760	\$3,273
Proposed Rate	\$0.926400	\$0.500000*	\$1.426400	\$7,440	\$3,777

\* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

**Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence**

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$286,610	\$325,423
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$248,250	\$274,948
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.470000	\$1.426400
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$3,649.27	\$3,921.85
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes	\$0.00	\$272.58

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Voter-Approval Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.523700. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the voter-approval rate of 1.523700.

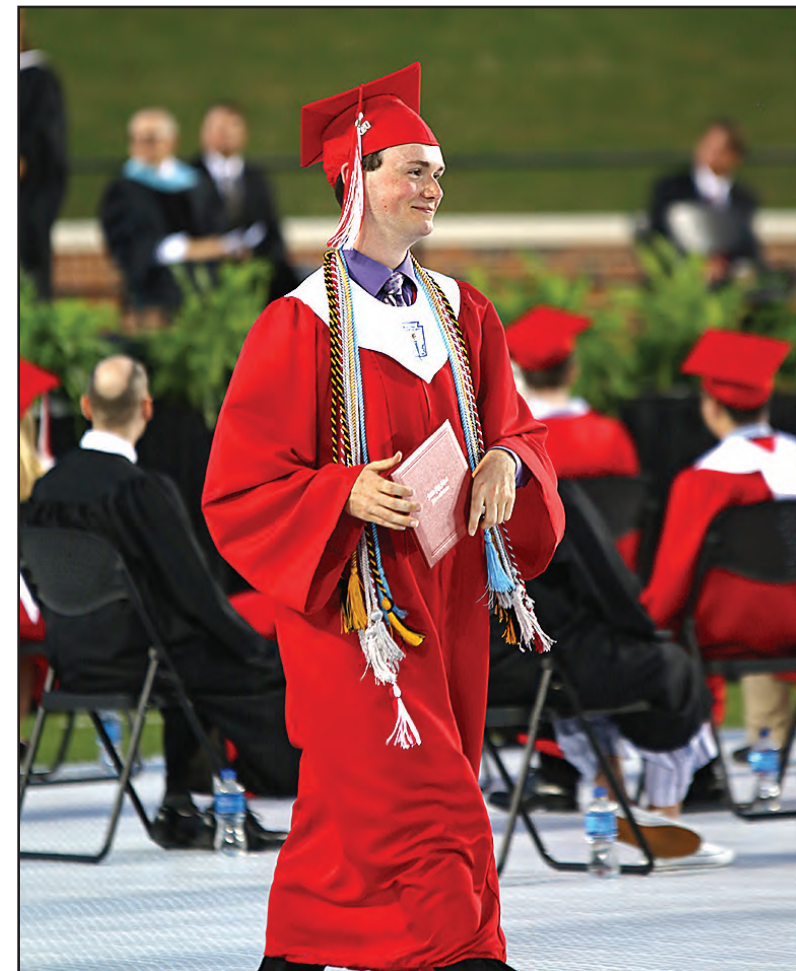
**Fund Balances**

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$5,144,382
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$2,999,839

A school district may not increase the district's maintenance and operations tax rate to create a surplus in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the purpose of paying the district's debt service.

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# Salado Village Guide

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## What really happened to the Salado Saloon?



Legend has it that this rock building at the southeast corner of Main Street and Pace Park Rd. housed the Salado Saloon, which lasted just one day. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

## Did this legendary establishment stay open just for one day?

Editor's note: With the recent petition circulating around the Salado area concerning the sale of alcohol, we thought that our readers might enjoy this tale from our archives, written in 2006 by our staff writer Chris McGregor. McGregor is now an Assistant District Attorney in Tarrant County.

By CHRIS MCGREGOR  
For SALADO VILLAGE VOICE

The most beguiling thing about a legend is how truth tumbles uncertainly into place. It is, at best, an uncertainty, wedged between stacks of hearsay and outright fiction.

At worst, a poof of vapor snaking to the skies.

About legends, some would argue they're best left alone, like ancient relics too fragile to bear the stress of human inspection. Touch too hard, and the whole thing will unravel, like a bundle of yarn hurled through the air.

You can almost hear them now, drooling their dated forbearances. They would say things like "Just let sleeping dogs lie," or "Can't you leave well enough alone?"

Well, to heck with those people.

For at least 100 years, and probably longer, this little town has carried with it a story of the most sparkling strain, like something straight out of Hollywood.

It is, to be sure, the temperance-heavy tale of the Salado Saloon. It's heroines: six righteous-minded church women bent on swabbing the village clean of iniquitous temptation. It's villain: a crusty barkeep with bad business-sense. In this day and age, that's about as simple as it gets.

For clarity purposes, a story such as this requires strict adherence to the old axiom: begin at the beginning, and so we shall.

There's just one problem with that...know one seems to know where exactly the beginning can be traced to. It's like a line with no starting and end point; an infinite thing whose continuity depends on the consistent invigoration of oral tradition.

And to be quite honest, no one seems to know much of anything.

Except for this, which is the generally accepted, sanitized version. At some point in the 19th century a man rolled into Salado laden with whiskey barrels and beer kegs, with designs on opening a tavern in what is now The 1860 Shop, on present-day Main St. In those days, it was the Old Military Road and stage-line. A pretty happening place, for its time.

This put the town in an uproar, so a few of their resolute number drove him off in a very Mahatma Gandhi-like form of non-violent protest. Here's what they did: six women, working in

shifts of two, alternated in keeping vigil right outside the saloon. They are said to have worked on their knitting and read the Bible.

At the mere sight of these upright women, even the hardiest of men were powerless to do anything but kick the dirt and try to find a drink someplace else.

Says something of the influence the fairer sex enjoys, doesn't it?

The tavern-keeper's response to this skullduggery: he pulled up stakes and headed a few miles down the road, to more hospitable climes. A place that could really appreciate the benefits of his services; some say Bartlett, others Holland.

After that, we get as murky as a creek bottom. Which segues in to the big question: is the story a work of imagination, or, in this case, is truth stranger than fiction?

Depends on who you want to believe. First to the writers, and in particular, the one that bears the most credit for sculpting the story's features into their definitive form. Her name was Kate Alma-Orgain, a one-time professor at Salado College.

In 1901, she published a "A Waif From Texas," a collection of short stories that deal primarily with Salado's past. Most of the stories are quite easy to pass over.

All but one. Titled "The Saloon That Didn't Stay," it is the most thorough account of the saloon incident. All later stories that reference the saloon - and there have been several - draw heavily on Orgain's work as their source. That's not necessarily a good thing.

"The town had always been for temperance and no one would ever think of trying to put up a saloon there, anyway," Orgain writes. But before anyone knew it, Salado was "declared 'wet,' and the man with [the] saloon had come."

Although she doesn't give her story a specific date, the reference to the county being declared wet does help. After 1867, it was made legal for alcohol to be sold within the borders of Bell County. Orgain herself joined the Salado College faculty no later than 1868, but was likely on board some years before then.

Now's the perfect time for a little more history. Salado College opened its doors in 1860, operating on a 20-year charter. At the time its board of regents, all men who figure prominently in Salado's early development, wrote a letter to the Texas Legislature requesting a special act making it illegal to sell alcohol within six miles of the college.

In those days, apparently, lawmaking took a good deal of time, for it wasn't

until Sept. 26, 1866 that the Legislature acquiesced to the request of the board of regents. Interestingly, the law also prohibited billiards rooms and ten-pin alleys, both of which were thought to be detrimental to character. Violations carried a \$50 to \$100 fine, a weighty sum for the day.

Col. E.S.C. Robertson, the man who founded Salado in 1859, included in every sale of land a clause that stated if spirits were to be sold in quantities of less than a quart, then the property would return to its original owner, i.e. Robertson. That the little town did not want anything to do with alcohol is abundantly clear.

Records of the time show that Salado's population in 1867 could have numbered around 600, with the stage-coach making three stops a week. With that much activity, it would have made a sumptuous location for a tavern, whether the locals wanted one there or not.

Which was exactly the saloon-keeper's logic. Orgain continues by saying that, despite the exhortations of the locals, the man would not be dissuaded from his plans. They even called a town meeting, with the express purpose of demonstrating their opposition, which was done. Still, the saloon-keeper refused to waiver, for as Orgain writes, "he had the lawful right to do it, and who could stop him?"

Apparently six determined church women could. On his very first day of business, the women performed their sit-in. Not a single soul entered the saloon. The man knew he had lost, and conceding defeat, closed up shop and went elsewhere. Out of spite, he is said to have reopened his tavern in a not so subtle jibe at the ascetic village which had drummed him out, dubbing his establishment "The Salado Saloon."

OK, enough of Orgain. We move now to E.M. Hutchens, another writer of Salado antiquity. He, almost out of obligation it seems, also gives his version of the saloon incident in his book "Tales of Old Salado." Hutchens was a trained journalist, having attended the University of Texas. Born in Bartlett, he resided in Salado from 1921 until his death in 1979, collecting stories for his book from old-timers all those years.

Although he states in the beginning of his work that he writes "after the Herodotean Method," meaning the stories are completely reliant on first-hand accounts, his tales tend to bear the stamp of sensation. Departing a bit from Orgain, Hutchens dates the saloon incident as 1882, saying at that time "the fact that the town was protected by law from such acts was

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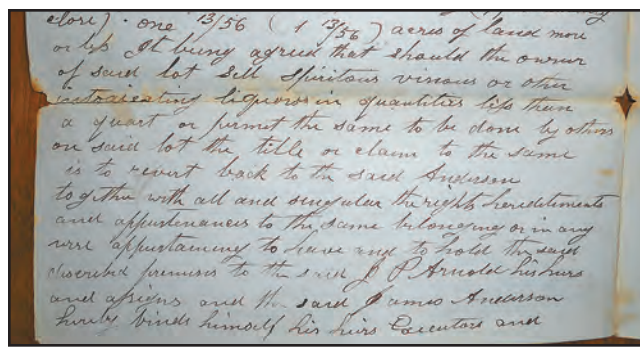
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all but forgotten.” And he might be right. Robertson, a man who left his fingerprints on every aspect of Salado’s development from its founding until his death, passed away in 1879. Ultimate control of college land was diverted to his estate, and it is possible that, although a particular law was on the books, its enforcement might have been, at best, a bit lax. Also, in 1882, a corporation of Saladoans formed and purchased seven acres of college land from the Robertson heirs, which could have rendered null the legislature’s earlier ban, the original charter having expired two years prior. Aside from the discrep-



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Part of a deed filed February 6th, 1862 from James Anderson to J. P. Arnold reads, “It being agreed that should the owner of said lot sell spirituous vinous or other intoxicating liquors in quantities less than or quart or permit the same to be done by others on said lot the title or claim to the same is to revert back to the said Anderson together with all and singular the rights.”

ancy in dates, the stories of Hutchens and Orgain are basically the same, both sticking to an identical set of details.

Hutchens, though, goes one step further. He writes of earlier saloons operating in the 1860s, one named Noah’s Ark and the other Tam’s Teepee. These stories could be the result of some mischievous old-timer indulging an eager journalist flat itching for a good story. But then again, they might also be true, for, as Hutchens says, in the first decade of Salado’s founding, “rule of rum and whiskey was rampant.”

Two less-publicized scraps of evidence also seem to support the existence of a saloon. One comes from a lady named Maggie Abercrombie, who published a short, informative story in 1880 titled “A Sketch of Bell County.” She doesn’t devote too much space to Salado, but she does say this: “Salado has five flourishing business houses, one saloon, blacksmith shops, seven mills, one fine stone college building and many handsome dwellings.” Can’t get much more clear than that.

The old colonel, the ubiquitous Robertson himself, contributes the other source. Writing home to his wife while serving in the Civil War in Oct. 1863, Robertson states that he has heard through the grapevine that “Armstrong had closed his tavern in Salado,” because he no longer trusted Southern currency. The “Armstrong” he refers to was W.B. Armstrong, who owned land where the Stagecoach Inn now sits.

Sound contradictory? Well, it is, in every sense of the word. The fact that the man who was single-handedly responsible for the prohibition of alcohol in Salado is documented referencing a drinking house - in a fashion that almost was lamenting - is nothing if not a conundrum.

The late Dr. Malcolm McLean, a direct descen-

dant of Col. Robertson and a man who has spent decades archiving his life, says that growing up, he had always heard the saloon story from his family, but was not acquainted with any of the particulars. Everyone in town just assumed it was true.

He does, however, say that research done into the Robertson family papers by his wife, Margaret Stoner McLean, did not turn up any evidence of property ever reverting back to Robertson because the owner had sold alcohol on it. Perhaps in this respect, Robertson operated on a type of nod-nod, wink-wink arrangement. (See recent photo of deed for Anderson house.)

But as everyone knows, so here it is. In an oft-reproduced quote from a U.S. soldier in July 1869, Salado is referred to as being “impressed upon my mind as being the first teetotal, ‘sure enough,’ ‘total abstinence’ village that I ever visited.” It is also widely reported that if a soldier’s radar can’t detect alcohol, it simply isn’t there.

The thing that most condemns the legend is not something that was written, but, conversely, something that wasn’t written. George W. Tyler, son of Salado’s first mayor, O.T. Tyler, spent years writing a comprehensive history of Bell County, which was not published until 1936, long after he had died. He spares no detail in his history, and speaks of Salado extensively.

Not a single pen-stroke, however, is committed to mentioning the saloon incident, which, had it happened, Tyler undoubtedly would have been aware of. So why didn’t he include such a conversation-generating tidbit in his history? There are two possible explanations. Being a Saladoan from the early days, Tyler understandably speaks very highly of his hometown, and, in a bit of historic editorializing, he might have seen fit to omit

anything that could reflect poorly on the village in the eyes of posterity.

Or it could be that the whole caboodle is nothing but an imaginative contrivance, completely unharassed from fact.

“Personally, I think it probably did happen,” says Karen Kinnison, whose family has owned The 1860 House, under various names, for more than 50 years, selling it in 2018.

Local historian Charlene Carson, who published a book detailing the history of the First Baptist Church of Salado for its first 150 years, sifted through stacks of church documents, and uncovered references to a lady’s prayer group in the 1880s. But, she says, “There was no mention of the saloon story in the records. I really was kind of looking for it, and had I found anything, it would have been in the book.”

Salado was not without its wild-and-woolly aspects, however. In 1925, third generation Saladoan “Archie” Willingham gave an interview to the Dallas Morning News, relating the early days of Salado. He tells of the apprehension of the women and children when “wild gangs of frontiersmen came to town.” He goes on to say that, “Let me tell you how wild Salado was then...I remember a fight which occurred right here...on the main street...I saw Wild Tom bite off a man’s ear and spit it in the street...”

By all indications, this event probably took place somewhere between 1875-1887, when Willingham was a young man. Sufficeth to say that people don’t go biting off one another’s appendages when they’re stone-cold sober. Food for thought.

This much is certain: if there ever was a saloon incident, it probably took place prior to the 1890s, in what would have been Salado’s hay-day. The village’s regional importance plummeted precipitously in the 20th century, mainly due to the closing of the college in 1885, and the death knell: being passed over by the railroad. It simply would not make much sense for a man to open a bar in a town that was drying up in more than one respect.

Outside of that, the whole thing is open to interpretation. Like any great legend, it’s like clay, its shape can represent whatever it needs to, facts or no facts.

And like any legend, its permanence rests in its blurry details, like a giant fog. Don’t look for it to lift anytime soon.

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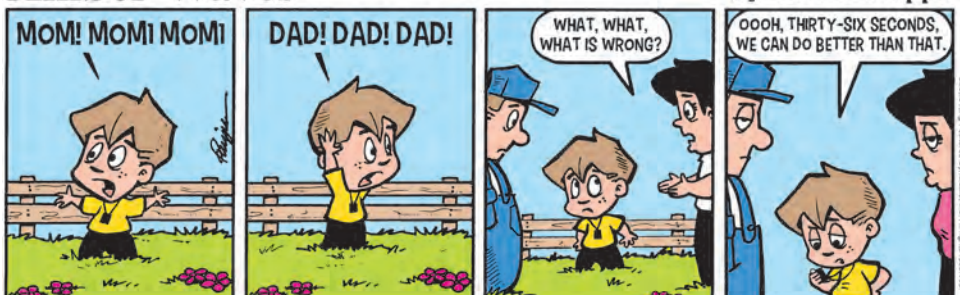
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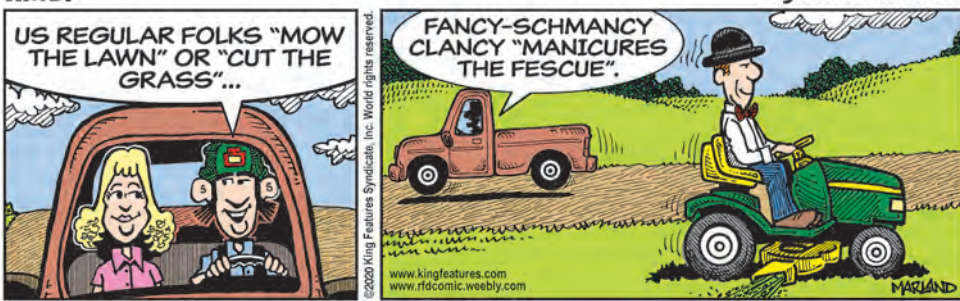


Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



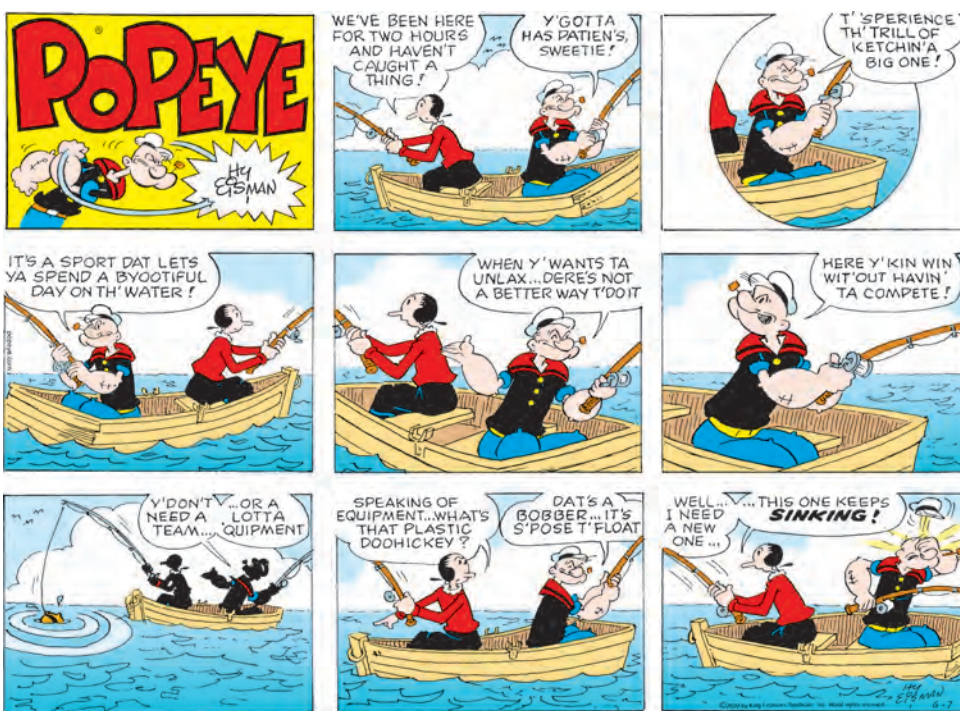
### R.F.D.



by Mike Marland

### The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



## Contract Bridge

ENLISTING THE AID OF THE ENEMY

North dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ 10 9 8 5 2  
♥ Q 6 3  
♦ Q 7 4  
♣ A K

**WEST**  
♠ 4  
♥ J 10 8 5  
♦ A 10 6 5 3  
♣ 10 8 4

**EAST**  
♠ 6  
♥ A K 9 4  
♦ J 8  
♣ J 9 7 5 3 2

**SOUTH**  
♠ A K Q J 7 3  
♥ 7 2  
♦ K 9 2  
♣ Q 6

The bidding:  
North East South West  
Pass Pass 1 ♠ Pass  
3 ♠ Pass 4 ♠

Opening lead — jack of hearts.

down one, but he pressed on and eventually made the contract.

At trick four, he led a low diamond toward dummy, West contributing the three, dummy the queen and East the eight. South did not yet know it, but there was now no way he could be stopped from making the contract.

It did not take him long to find out where he stood. After cashing the ace of trump and A-K of clubs, he led a diamond from dummy. When East played the jack, South followed with the nine.

West's play at this point did not matter. If he played low, East would have to yield a ruff-and-discard, while if West overtook the jack with the ace, South's king would become a trick. Either way, South would make four spades.

It can, of course, be argued that East should have dropped his jack of diamonds on dummy's queen at trick four, since the jack was of no use to him regardless of how the remaining diamonds were distributed. Had he played the jack on the queen, declarer would have gone down one.

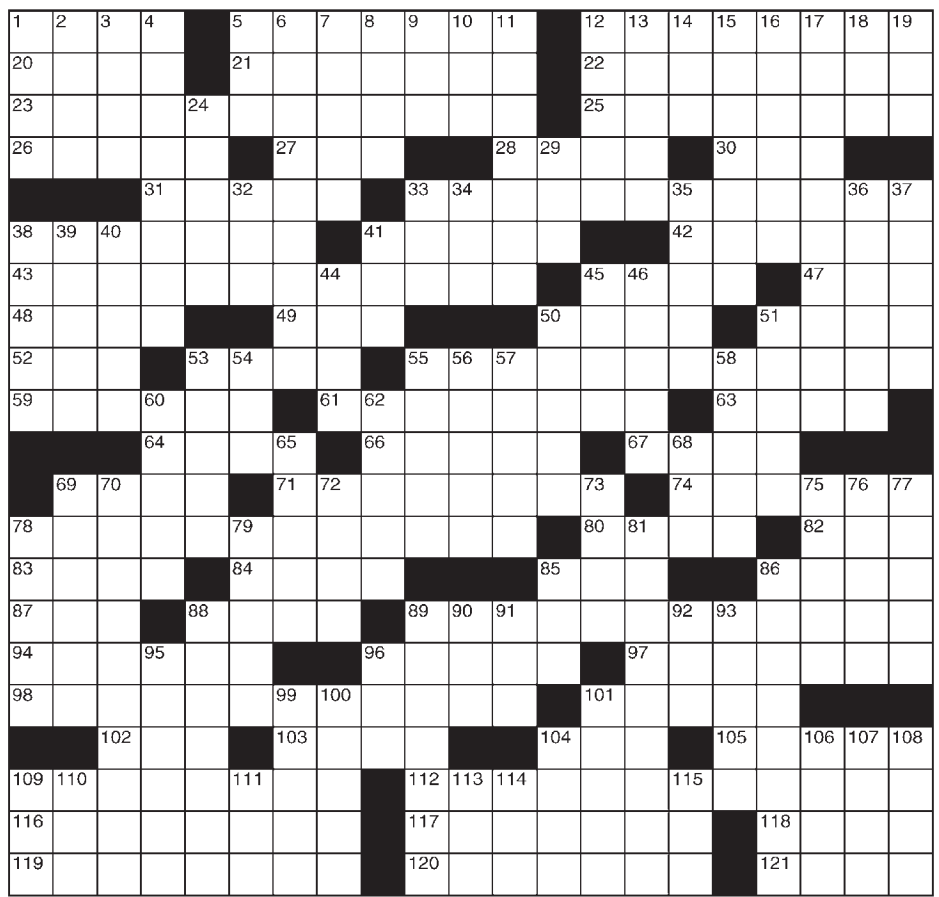
Observe that our expert South did not telegraph his intentions by cashing the A-K of clubs and ace of spades before leading a diamond to the queen. Had he done that, East might well have seen what was coming and jettisoned his jack of diamonds instead of following low.

by Steve Becker

## Super Crossword

VOWEL LANGUAGE

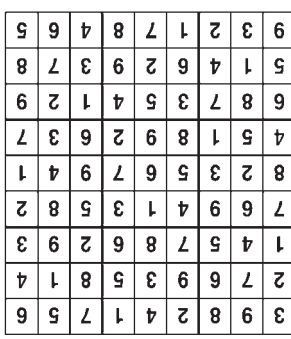
- ACROSS**
- 1 Painter of limp watches
  - 5 By the day, as payment
  - 12 "It doesn't matter"
  - 20 Moran of "Happy Days"
  - 21 The tiniest bit
  - 22 Hot pepper
  - 23 Group of wolves decide which hockey disk to use?
  - 25 Brought upon oneself
  - 26 USNA frosh
  - 27 "— Miz"
  - 28 Bring in
  - 30 Moniker, in Marseilles
  - 31 Mervyn of film
  - 33 Misplaced the most recent catalog?
  - 38 Sun circlers
  - 41 Braga of film
  - 42 Nervous —
  - 43 Notice folks quarreling about a skewer?
  - 45 Kind of latte
  - 47 Sportswriter Pasquarelli
  - 48 Name of 12 popes
  - 49 Folksy denial
  - 50 Parisian "to be"
  - 51 Actor Robert De —
  - 52 Six-legged scurrier
  - 53 Gift add-ons
  - 55 Farm structure is built in Switzerland's capital?
  - 59 Liam of "Nell"
  - 61 Raises up
  - 63 Yemen's largest city
  - 64 — time (never)
  - 66 Give a big speech
  - 67 Baseball Hall of Famer Waite —
  - 69 Preside
  - 71 Students
  - 74 To no avail
  - 78 Put a clump of tree-trunk greenery in disarray?
  - 80 Bath powder
  - 82 Philosopher Lao —
  - 83 Optic layer
  - 84 Throw easily
  - 85 Paddle's kin
  - 86 Stuff in ale
  - 87 Rev.'s talk
  - 88 City on I-80
  - 89 Group working on a jackdaw's gullet?
  - 94 Slate clearer
  - 96 Miller rival
  - 97 Optometrist
  - 98 Knock out a pier-dwelling mallard?
  - 101 "— good you let him know": Hamlet
  - 102 "My country, —"
  - 103 Lock fastener
  - 104 Plant seeds
  - 105 Shuts noisily
  - 109 Preserve
  - 112 Exited the elevator to the high-ceilinged SoHo flat?
  - 116 How keyless music is written
  - 117 Quito locale
  - 118 Like — of sunshine
  - 119 Little jaunt on a little horse (lucky)
  - 120 Cyclone
  - 121 Where Coca-Cola is "KO"
  - 2 Central Asia's — Sea
  - 3 Pooch pests
  - 4 Rorschach test features
  - 5 Luau chow
  - 6 Hemming in
  - 7 Type in anew
  - 8 See 95-
  - 9 Down
  - 10 Bettor's note know":
  - 11 Succeeds
  - 12 Spin around
  - 13 — Barbera
  - 14 "The Middle" network
  - 15 Poked fun at
  - 16 Register
  - 17 Indiana county whose name is a red color
  - 18 Afore
  - 19 Gun, in slang
  - 24 Parts of hammers
  - 29 — good clip
  - 32 Ice-T's style
  - 33 Hack
  - 34 — roll (lucky)
  - 35 Deriding look
  - 36 — Nevada
  - 37 Partner of a mortise
  - 38 Hearing aier
  - 39 Share a view
  - 40 Artery
  - 41 Minneapolis-Dallas dir.
  - 44 Hit with a zapping gun
  - 45 The Beatles' "Let —"
  - 46 Collision
  - 50 Register for
  - 51 Hoops cable channel
  - 53 Pole carving
  - 54 Advice giver Landers
  - 55 Yankee Yogi
  - 56 Bob — restaurants
  - 57 Per-unit costs
  - 58 "Bye Bye" boy band
  - 60 Rumba's kin
  - 62 Garden soils
  - 65 Johnny who cried "Come on down!"
  - 68 OPEC fuel
  - 69 Idolize
  - 70 Keystroke or mouse click
  - 72 Canadian gas brand
  - 73 Detached, in mus.
  - 75 Old game console
  - 76 Lanai and Skye, say
  - 77 Product label wcs.
  - 78 Ruminated
  - 79 County in New Mexico
  - 81 Tree once associated with bow welders
  - 85 Pained cries
  - 86 "Dirty Sexy Money" actress Zoe
  - 88 Symbol atop the Kremlin
  - 89 Pair of poetic lines
  - 90 Mythical bird
  - 91 Mork's planet
  - 92 Pitching whiz
  - 93 Sausage, in Stuttgart
  - 95 With 8-Down, swims without a suit
  - 96 They made LPs passé
  - 99 Kid
  - 100 West with 21 Grammys
  - 101 — lie (fibbed)
  - 104 Funny Laurel
  - 106 Gossamer
  - 107 Degr. for playwrights
  - 108 Eye malady
  - 109 GPS drawing
  - 110 From — B
  - 111 Ring legend
  - 113 Prefix with law or tourist
  - 115 Swing to and —



## Trivia test

- by Fifi Rodriguez
- U.S. STATES: Bay Staters hail from which U.S. state?
  - GEOGRAPHY: What is the capital of Lebanon?
  - HISTORY: Which major World War II battle was known by the code name "Operation Detachment"?
  - MUSIC: Which rock group had a 1960s hit with the song "Incense and Peppermints"?
  - MEASUREMENTS: What does a chronometer measure?
  - ADVERTISING SLOGANS: Which automotive company had the slogan, "Quality is Job 1"?
  - MOVIES: Which movie won the 1991 Oscar for Best Picture?
  - SCIENCE: What kind of adaptation allows an organism to blend into its environment?
  - LANGUAGE: What does the Latin phrase "amor vincit omnia" mean?
  - TELEVISION: What is the capital of the Seven Kingdoms in "Game of Thrones"?

- Answers
- Massachusetts
  - Beirut
  - Invasion of Iwo Jima
  - Strawberry Alarm Clock
  - Time
  - Ford Motor Co.
  - "Dances With Wolves"
  - Camouflage
  - Love conquers all
  - King's Landing



Answer Weekly SUDOKU

## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

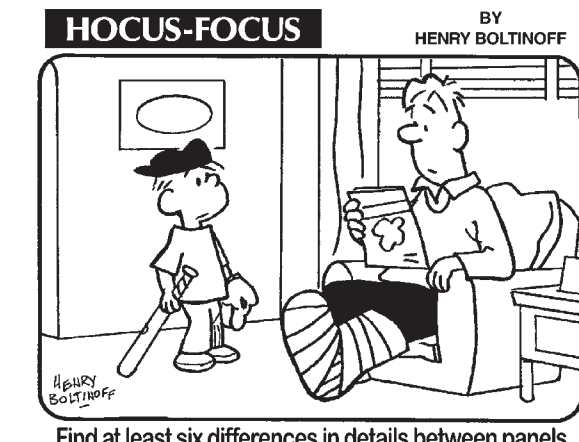
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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦**

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
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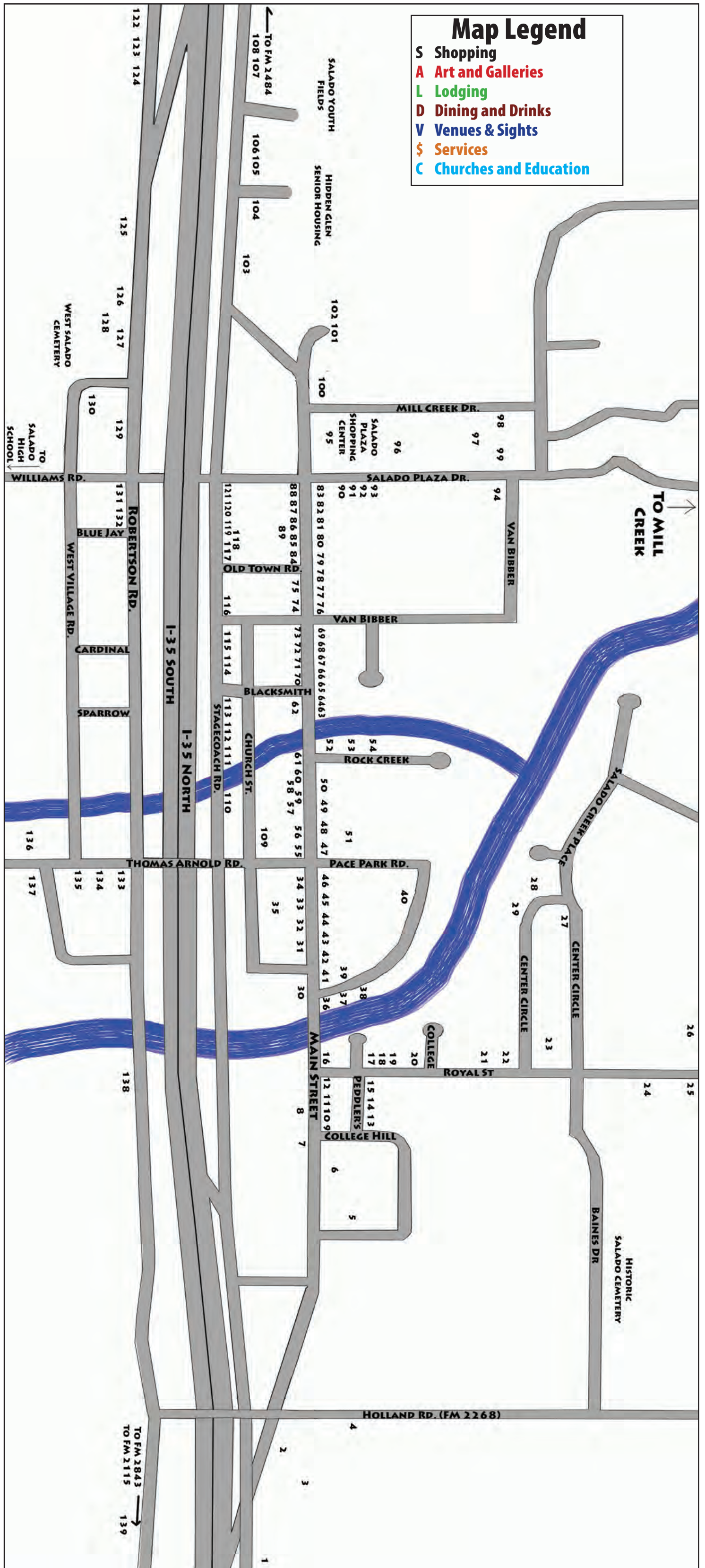


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85	Salado Post Office 254-947-5322	\$
86	Bill Bartlett - Century 21 254-947-5050	\$
87	The Personal Wealth Coach 254-947-1111	\$
89	Stamp Salado 254-947-8848	S
90	Presbyterian Church of Salado 254-947-8106	C
91	Troy Smith Financial Services 254-947-0376	\$
92	Salado Sculpture Garden	A
96	Salado Plaza Ace Pest Control 254-947-4222	\$
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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
139	Cedar Valley Baptist Church 254-947-0148	C
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	Don Ringer 254-774-6500	\$
	3C Cowboy Fellowship 254-947-7211	C
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	Brody's Mill Creek Clubhouse 254-654-7885	D
	JD's Truck Stop and Grill 254-947-5228	S/D



## Historical Markers in Salado

- |                                       |                                   |                               |                                 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 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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**1611 Royal St., Salado**  
4 BR, 3.5 BA on 5+ ac.  
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**2506 Hester Way, Salado**  
5 BR, 4 BA  
\$579,900



**1341 Walker Circle, Salado**  
4 BR, 3 BA  
\$547,500



**2107 Highland Dr., Salado**  
3 BR, 3.5 BA  
\$489,500



**11002 La Paloma Loop W, Salado**  
4 BR, 4.5 BA  
\$469,900



**1531 Royal Street, Salado**  
3 BR, 2 BA on 1.99 ac.



**14453 Settlements Rd., Salado**  
3 BR, 2.5 BA on 5 ac  
\$424,821



**11047 Stinnett Mill, Salado**  
4 BR, 2.5 BA  
\$419,921



**716 Center Circle, Salado**  
Triplex multi-family unit  
\$340,000



**1925 Highland Dr., Salado**  
4 BR, 3.5 BA  
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### Area Land Listings

- **55 ac.** with long road frontage & community water. Salado ISD.
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- **10 ac.** Corner tract in Salado I.S.D.
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**1219 AMBROSE**  
4/3 with office and bonus room. Beautiful views from pack patio, on golf cart path, custom upgrades, move-in ready!  
**\$419,000**



**3227 HESTER WAY**  
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**616 INDIAN TRAIL**  
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Sealed bids addressed to the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen will be received at the office of Don Ferguson, Village Administrator, Village of Salado, Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Road, Salado, Texas, 76571 until **3:00 PM on Tuesday, July 7, 2020** for construction of a Royal Street Lift Station Odor Control Improvements in the Village of Salado. The bids shall be labeled:

**Royal Street Lift Station Odor Control Improvements**

The Bid/Contract Documents, including Construction Plans, Technical Specifications, and Bid Forms are available beginning Friday, June 19, 2020:

- On-line at <http://www.civcastusa.com>. Documents may be downloaded or viewed free of charge at this website. It is the bidder's responsibility to determine that a complete set of documents as defined in the Instructions to Bidders is received.
- At the office of Kasberg, Patrick & Associates, LP; 19 North Main Street; Temple, TX 76501 for a non-refundable cost of \$50.00 per set, checks made payable to Kasberg, Patrick & Associates, LP.

The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the main conference room in Municipal Building at **3:00 PM on Tuesday, July 7, 2020**. The Board of Aldermen will officially review the bids at their next regularly scheduled meeting and award the contract as soon thereafter as practical.

Bids must be submitted on the Bid Form provided and must be accompanied by a cashier's check, certified check or acceptable bidder's bond payable without recourse to the Village of Salado, Texas in an amount not less than five (5) percent of the bid submitted as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into a contract and execute a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond within ten (10) days after the notification of the award of the contract.

The Village of Salado reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids, as the best interest of the City may require, and to waive any informality in bids received. The Village of Salado also reserves the right to award the Contract as may be advantageous to the Village.

All contractors/subcontractors that are debarred, suspended or otherwise excluded from or ineligible from participation in federal assistance programs may not undertake any activity in part or in full under this project.

**A Non-Mandatory Pre-bid conference will be held at the Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Road, Salado, TX 76571, at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, June 30, 2020.**

All questions and inquiries about the project should be directed to Rick N. Kasberg, P.E., until noon on Thursday, July 2, 2020. Questions after that time and date will not be addressed and the Engineer and/or Owner shall not be bound by any references or dates obtained by the Bidders unless an official addendum is produced and released by Kasberg, Patrick & Associates, LP.

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**Beautiful 4 BR, 2.5 BA in Salado ISD!** Home has many custom features inside & out! Spray foam insulation, oversized 2.5 car garage, stone walled

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**7:38-8:15 a.m.**  
 300 Block Thomas Arnold Rd  
 Apparatus: 1/Personnel: 2  
 Overdose/Poisoning  
**2:41-2:49 p.m.**  
 Interstate 35 @ 289 SB  
 Apparatus: 2/Personnel: 4  
 Grass Fire – Canceled  
**10:35-11:25 p.m.**  
 Interstate 35 @ 279 SB  
 Apparatus: 4/Personnel: 6  
 Motor Vehicle Accident – Rollover  
**JUNE 8**  
**9:21-9:55 a.m.**  
 3100 Block Saint Matthew St

Apparatus: 1/Personnel:3  
 Sick Person  
**12:33-12:47 p.m.**  
 400 Block Stagecoach Rd  
 Apparatus: 2/Personnel: 2  
 Nothing Found  
**7:48-8:05 p.m.**  
 200 Block Mary Ln  
 Apparatus: 1/Personnel: 2  
 Chest Pain  
**JUNE 9**  
**4:58-5:25 a.m.**  
 1500 Block Oak Park Ln  
 Apparatus: 1/Personnel: 2  
**1:43-2:02 p.m.**  
 Mill Creek/Southridge  
 Apparatus: 3/Personnel: 3  
 Fluid Leak

**2:14-2:42 p.m.**  
 800 Block Main St  
 Apparatus: 2/Personnel: 4  
 Fall  
**5:59-6:04 p.m.**  
 4800 Block Amity Rd  
 Apparatus: 1/Personnel: 1  
 Canceled  
**6:00-7:10 p.m.**  
 7100 Block FM 1670  
 Apparatus: 5/Personnel: 6  
 Grass Fire  
**JUNE 10**  
**5:59-6:26 p.m.**  
 8700 Block Union Grove Park Rd  
 Apparatus: 2/Personnel: 3  
 Overdose/Poisoning

**10:47-11:22 p.m.**  
 18000 Block Gooseneck Rd  
 Apparatus: 1/Personnel: 2  
 Chest Pain  
**JUNE 11**  
**4:52-5:20 a.m.**  
 200 Block Mary Ln  
 Apparatus: 1/Personnel: 2  
 Difficulty Breathing  
**9:52-10:33 a.m.**  
 Day Dr/FM 1670  
 Apparatus: 2/Personnel: 4  
 Long Fall  
**2:19-2:40 p.m.**  
 2100 Block Chisholm Trl  
 Apparatus: 1/Personnel: 1  
 Sick Person

**3:03-4:22 p.m.**  
 Day Dr/FM 1670  
 Apparatus: 4/Personnel: 5  
 Motor Vehicle Accident – Injuries  
**11:19-12:52 a.m.**  
 7700 Block FM 1670  
 Apparatus: 3/Personnel: 4  
 Motor Vehicle Accident – No Injuries  
**JUNE 12**  
**11:29-11:55 a.m.**  
 1100 Block Amity Rd  
 Apparatus: 2/Personnel: 2  
 Difficulty Breathing  
**6:22-6:39 p.m.**  
 400 Block Main St  
 Apparatus: 1/Personnel: 1  
 Psychiatric

**JUNE 13**  
**5:23-6:05 a.m.**  
 10000 Block Hodge Canyon Rd  
 Apparatus: 2/Personnel: 2  
 Sick Person  
**1:51-2:29 p.m.**  
 Interstate 35 @ 281 NB  
 Apparatus: 3/Personnel: 4  
 Grass Fire  
**5:06-5:25 p.m.**  
 9700 Block FM 2843  
 Apparatus: 1/Personnel: 3  
 Difficulty Breathing  
**8:53-9:35 p.m.**  
 Interstate 35 @ SB Rest Area  
 Apparatus: 3/Personnel: 7  
 Traumatic Injuries



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**3217 Stratford Dr**  
View this luxurious home with magnificent trees & a porte-cochre grand entry. Step inside, & you will be welcomed with high ceilings & grand staircase.  
\$474,900



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**1060 Ferguson Mill Road**  
Beautiful Southern curb appeal, great location, and a very livable floor plan only begin to describe this new build from White River Homes.  
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Come to the country to see this lovely well-maintained home in belton ISD on 1.3 acres with trees and a workshop!  
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**421 Rose Way**  
Imagine living amongst majestic Live Oak trees and walking distance to downtown Salado Shopping and restaurants. This Victorian Beauty offers spacious living and an incredible location!



**1146 Shepherd DR, Salado**  
One of a kind English Cottage home set in a tranquil neighborhood. Once you enter, notice the beautiful hardwood floors throughout the entire downstairs  
\$349,900



**8342 Spring Creek**  
Beautiful hill country home in the coveted Spring Creek subdivision! Step inside and immediately notice the thought and detail that went into building this home from S & G Ventures.



**8324 Cates Creek Drive**  
With this Hill Country Ranch, Randy Taylor brings a more traditional design still paired well with modern flair.  
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**12246 Blackberry Rd**  
Beautiful home just outside of Salado city limits! Large formal dining, breakfast area, and oversized living room perfect for all your entertaining needs!  
\$359,900



**8425 Anna's Spring Drive**  
Randy Taylor brings a beautiful mix of modern flair with traditional warmth inside this modern farmhouse.  
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Your chance to own this picturesque Bed and breakfast in the heart of downtown Salado  
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**300 Royal Street, Salado**  
Located in the center of Salado's hotspot is this large, climate controlled building surrounded by Salado Creek, wineries, breweries, restaurants and bed and breakfast lodgings



**Royal Ridge Subdivision**  
Rare opportunity to purchase Hill Country acreage minutes from downtown Salado & Mill Creek Golf Course. An abundance of options: Live Oaks, small creek, beautiful bottom land, coastal pastures, hill top views

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LOTS

**Mill Creek Meadows** - Brand new subdivision with lots on the golf course and mature trees! Starting at \$59,900 with 48 lots available  
**Mystic River** - Lots overlooking Leon River. Starting in the \$129,000 for waterfront or \$49,900 for interior lots  
**Spring Creek** - Salado's newest community. A must see subdivision off of FM2484 Lots starting at \$60,000  
**2 Lots on Van Bibber** available \$42,500  
**1 Lot in Mill Creek** \$29,900  
**9860 Hodge Canyon**

NEIGHBORHOODS

**Salado Mills** - Overlooks Salado Creek, within golf cart driving distance of Salado shopping and Mill Creek Golf Course. Premier subdivision features community pool and pavilion and is located in Salado ISD while also benefiting from a low tax rate  
**Spring Creek** - Salado's newest neighborhood, West of town on FM2484 Beautiful hardwood trees. The peaceful spot you've been searching for to build your new home. Few miles out of Salado, a short drive from Belton, Harker Heights and Georgetown.  
**Mill Creek Meadows** - Dream home on a golf course? Whether you are a golfer or just enjoy overlooking a well-maintained course from your home, Mill Creek Meadows is for you! Gated, community park within strolling distance of Mill Creek Golf Course and a golf cart ride away from Salado shopping and dining.  
**Mystic River** - Lots overlooking the Leon River. Neighborhood shaded by a canopy of Live Oak and Pecan trees, walk from your back door to your personal dock at the river bank. Watch the kids plunge into the river from the rope swing, paddle your kayak, all while centrally located between Belton and Temple.

ACREAGE

**10 Acres** along I-35 frontage, sewage available \$1,750,000  
**30 Acres** on the Leon River, Belton  
**107 Acres** with 4,500 feet on Leon River  
**11.5 Acres** off of FM2268 in Holland \$127,500

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**7.695 acre** Investment Property in Temple off South 31st ST, \$649,900

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