

Band student tests positive for COVID

BY TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Salado High School Band Director Charla Kelley sent an email to band parents on Aug. 17 informing them that she had “just been made aware of a student that has tested positive for COVID-19.”

The recently-diagnosed student makes the third known case of COVID-19 among Salado ISD students. The others include a younger sibling who will attend the Salado Middle School and an unrelated high school student who contracted COVID-19 in July and had not participated in any activities prior to the positive test.

All three students likely contracted COVID-19 from other family members, according to Salado ISD Superintendent Michael Novotny.

According to the email, the student is a part of the color guard. The student last participated on Aug. 13, rehearsing in small groups.

“All safety precautions have been taken throughout every rehearsal,” Kelley said in the email, “the students maintained social distancing while practicing, none ... shared flags as they all have their own, water breaks were given with masks on and/or while students were distanced, and the facility was disinfected after every use.”

“The color guard rehearsals were never with the rest of the band section and were contained in the gym for the past two weeks,” Kelley said in the email. “this student came into contact with very few other band students.”

“I understand you may choose to have your own student tested or quarantined,” Kelley said. “Please let us know if this is something you are planning on doing. If your students begins to feel unwell and or develops symptoms of COVID, please do not send them to practice and let us know as soon as possible.”

The Centers for Disease Control recommend that “Anyone who has had close contact with someone with COVID-19 should stay home for 14 days after their last exposure to that person. However, anyone who has had close contact with someone with COVID-19 and who: developed COVID-19 illness within the previous 3 months and has recovered

and remains without COVID-19 symptoms (for example, cough, shortness of breath) does not need to stay home.”

The CDC defines close contact as “any individual who was within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes starting from 2 days before illness onset (or, for asymptomatic patients, 2 days prior to positive specimen collection) until the time the patient is isolated.”

The Salado ISD Instructional Plan for 2020-2021 states that staff and students should not enter campuses or district buildings if any of the following apply:

- The individual is:
 - Sick or has been sick with COVID symptoms in the past 14 calendar days. Symptoms to watch for: fever (100.4°F or higher) when taken by mouth, sore throat, new uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing, shortness of breath/difficulty breathing, chills, fatigue, muscle or body aches, new onset of severe headache, especially with a fever, new loss of taste or smell, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting or diarrhea.
 - Has a confirmed case of COVID-19 or has been in close contact with a person with a confirmed case of COVID-19. These individuals must follow all isolation and quarantine guidelines from the local health authority or their physician.

The SISD Instructional Plan defines Close Contact as the following:

“Being directly exposed to infectious secretions (e.g., being coughed on); or being within 6 feet for a cumulative duration of 15 minutes; if either occurred at any time in the last 14 days at the same time the infected individual was infectious.

- Individuals are presumed infectious at least two days prior to symptom onset, or in the case of a symptomatic individual who are lab-confirmed with COVID-19, two days prior to the confirming lab test.
- Has a household member who is awaiting COVID-19 test results, or who is awaiting their own test results.
- Has traveled internationally or on a cruise in the past 14 days. These individuals must follow current CDC self-quarantine recommendations.”

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(PHOTO BY TIM FLEISCHER)

Walter W. Rogers, Past Grand Master of Texas Masons, applies the trowel to the stone as part of the Cornerstone Dedication ceremony for the Salado Middle School on Aug. 15. For story and photos, turn to page 1B.

Bell County Commissioners adopt budget, set \$0.4253 tax rate

BY TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Bell County Commissioners adopted the Fiscal Year 2020-21 budget and set a total combined tax rate if \$0.4253 per \$100 evaluation following public hearings on the matters Aug. 17. The court also held public hearings on the budget and proposed tax rate Aug. 12.

No public comments were made during the public hearings themselves, but County Judge David Blackburn allowed a local citizen to make comments when she spoke from the audience on a different agenda item. Patricia Bishop, of Belton, spoke during the agenda item ratifying the property tax increase.

“Property tax increases are a really big problem with the citizens of Bell County,” Bishop said. “It’s becoming a problem because it’s not being done fairly and across the board. You are picking and choosing who we are going to increase and we are not going to increase.”

Bishop complained to commissioners about the recent reappraisals of real estate, saying that “market value is just an opinion,” and adding that the increase in appraisals “raises certain people’s taxes and not others.”

She added that if the county is going to increase property taxes, it should do so through the property tax rate, rather than appraisals. “That way you get an increase, you get an increase, you get an increase,” she said pointing to each commissioner.

“My taxes are going up 10%, 10%, 10% each year,” she said. “You are pricing me out.”

She added that she has been told “you need to sell it (her home) and move on. You don’t seem to realize you are taking the wages of our labor to line your pockets. The servants are riding the horses and the bosses are walking. There should be a vote from the bosses, not the servants. It seems like y’all are serving yourselves.”

She criticized the Tax Appraisal District because it is composed of members from the taxing entities. “They put them in there and then tell them how much money they want and then they have to figure out how to get it from us,” she said. “It is not fairly and uniformly done.”

Commissioners set the overall tax rate at \$0.4253 per \$100 valuation, which is lower than the 2020 tax rate of \$0.4500 per \$100 valuation.

The approved tax rate is slightly higher than the No New Revenue Tax Rate of \$0.4242 but lower than the Voter Approved Tax Rate of \$0.4492.

The overall tax rate is broken down into three separate tax rates. The general fund tax rate is \$03.247 per \$100. The 2019-20 general fund tax rate was \$0.3420. The Road & Bridge Tax Rate is \$0.0285, compared to \$0.0292 in 2019-20.

The Debt Service Tax Rate is \$0.0721, compared to \$0.0788 in 2019-20.

Property taxes account for \$56.4 million in revenues for the General Fund, \$6 million in Road & Bridge funds and \$14.7 million in Debt Service.

The 2020-21 FY budget will raise more revenue from property taxes than last year’s budget by just over \$3 million, which is a 3.507% increase from last year’s budget. The property tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year is \$2.6 million.

County Judge David Blackburn told the court that assessed property values increased 11.55% over 2019-20. Values increased 10.44% in 2018-19 over 2017-18.

“Reappraisals are ac-

counting for more and more of the new assessed values,” Judge Blackburn said. Of the increase in assessed values, 27% is due to new construction and 73% is due to reappraisal of existing properties.

Bill Schumann made the motion to approve the FY2020-21 budget, receiving a second from Bobby Whitson. It passed unanimously.

Commissioner Whitson made the motion to set the tax rate at \$0.4253 per \$100 valuation, receiving a second from Schumann.

Commissioner Schumann said that the general fund tax rate is set at the No New Revenue tax rate, “It is the lowest we felt comfortable going,” he said.

The Road & Bridge tax rate is just below the Voter Approval Rate.

“The largest portion of the Road & Bridge tax rate goes for materials for the roads: rebar, concrete, gravel and aggregate. All these are more expensive and they are getting to be almost impossible to get here in Bell County. We’re having to go out of the county to truck that in. We are having to increase to the rate just to maintain the same level of service,” Schumann said.

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August sales tax checks continue upward trend

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar sent cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$908.7 million in local sales tax allocations for August, 3.6 percent more than in August 2019. These allocations are based on sales made in June by businesses that report tax monthly and on sales made in April, May and June by quarterly filers.

Widespread social distancing requirements were more relaxed across the state in June than in previous months.

The Village of Salado saw an 8% increase over the pre-

vious August payment. The Village received \$61,977.93 compared to \$57,332.63 last August. For the year, sales tax payments to the Village 3% ahead of last year with \$378,353.91 paid so far compared to \$366,957.58 in payments through August 2019.

Temple’s had a remarkable increase of 17%, while Killeen’s increase was 18%. Belton had the largest increase of the big three cities with a 21% jump in the August payment compared to August 2019.

Salado Public Library District’s August payment was an increase of 11% over

Sales tax rebates to Bell County taxing entities

Entity	Rate	June 2020	June 2019	Change	YTD 2020	YTD 2019	Change
Belton	1.500%	\$606,736.73	\$501,761.34	20.92%	\$3,990,127.21	\$3,548,417.73	12.44%
Harker Heights	1.500%	\$789,673.18	\$702,692.75	12.37%	\$5,259,845.75	\$4,932,860.78	6.62%
Holland	1.250%	\$10,736.30	\$8,716.30	23.17%	\$69,739.92	\$61,819.99	12.81%
Killeen	1.500%	\$2,627,206.19	\$2,219,354.51	18.37%	\$17,474,726.11	\$16,607,359.24	5.22%
LR-Academy	1.000%	\$10,900.13	\$8,756.12	24.48%	\$71,239.62	\$57,856.16	23.13%
Morgans Point	1.500%	\$31,078.76	\$22,583.45	37.61%	\$208,059.33	\$164,852.30	26.20%
Nolanville	1.500%	\$118,451.08	\$88,614.87	33.66%	\$728,393.72	\$567,654.50	28.31%
Rogers	1.250%	\$8,959.24	\$6,769.36	32.34%	\$66,127.06	\$50,803.89	30.16%
Salado	1.000%	\$61,977.93	\$57,332.63	8.10%	\$378,353.91	\$366,957.58	3.10%
Temple	1.500%	\$2,474,697.49	\$2,116,924.32	16.90%	\$16,482,933.32	\$15,317,494.83	7.60%
Troy	1.500%	\$56,616.54	\$40,334.16	40.36%	\$374,255.05	\$337,223.56	10.98%
Bell County	0.500%	\$2,273,419.17	\$1,888,255.26	20.39%	\$15,211,676.01	\$13,910,657.97	9.35%
Salado Library	0.500%	\$44,443.11	\$40,140.07	10.72%	\$309,411.30	\$271,128.11	14.11%

last August’s. The District received \$44,443.11 for the half-cent sales tax it levies. For the year, the Library Dis-

trict is running 14% ahead with \$309,411.30 in sales tax payments.

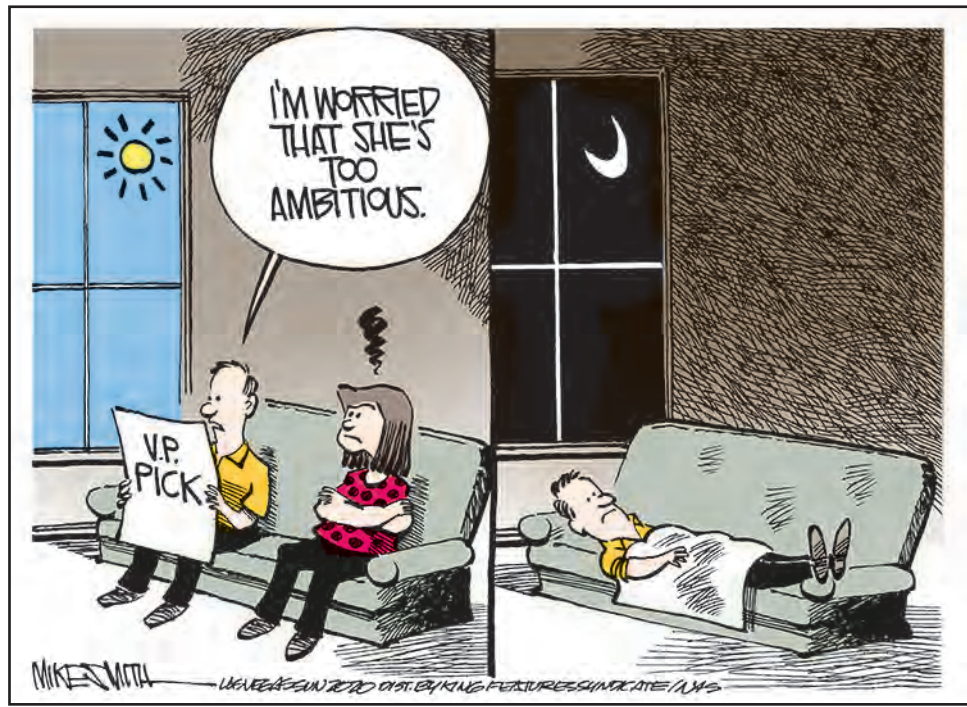
Bell County had an in-

crease of 20% in its August payment. The County received \$2.3 million for the half-cent sales tax it levies.

For the year, Bell County is running 9% ahead of 2019, having received \$15 million in sales tax payments.

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Weekly unemployment claims dip below 1 million for first time in pandemic

The Markets

The S&P 500 Stock Index (SPX) forged ahead with another weekly gain, rising 0.64% to close on Friday at 3372.85. This new rise leaves it up 4.4% from the beginning of the year, just 0.39% below its high point in February, and ahead about 16.8% for one year. It remains severely divided with ten large capitalization growth stocks making up about 30% of the SPX price while the majority of the stocks, made up of “value” stocks is still down around 11% year-to-date and only up about 0.38% for one year. The division in the stock market is reflected in a striking difference of opinion among major investment banking houses with Goldman Sachs forecasting an ongoing bull market while others are of the opinion a major market correction must occur before the bull is back in charge. At the core of the division is the fact that smaller companies are more directly related to the actual economy, while the large-cap tech companies have increasingly become disconnected from the affairs of day to day business and shine as the darlings of stock speculators large and small.

The yield on the 10-year U.S. Treasury note joined the bulls this week, rising a whopping 26% to 0.710% from its recent range just above 0.5% over the past several weeks. The long end of the yield curve, the 30-year bond, exuberantly climbed above the 1.4% mark for the first time in months to end the day at 1.431%. West Texas Intermediate crude oil (WTI) joined in the party, rising 1.5% to \$42.23. The oil futures markets seem to have stabilized with longer term contracts higher than those of shorter terms and the December contract is positive at \$43.16. Both the Treasury and oil indicators suggest a better, if still muted, economy ahead.

The Economy

The headline economic news this week was that U.S. retail and food services rose 1.2% in July, according to

Market & Economic Update

By Jeffrey W. McClure



the Census Bureau. That increase put retail spending up 2.7% from July of last year. The retail outlets driving the gains were, as you might expect, non-store retailers, up 24.7% from last year at this time. Damping some of the enthusiasm from the Census report was anecdotal information that the spending spree may have fallen back in the early weeks of August as the stimulus and extra unemployment payments came to an end.

Another major milestone hit in digging our way out of the current economic slump was that weekly new unemployment claims dropped below one million for the week that ended August 7. The number of people drawing regular unemployment from the states also dropped to about 15.5 million as August arrived; a good improvement but still over twice the 6.6 million peak official unemployment seen in 2009 at the worst of the Great Recession. For reference, during the years leading up to the pandemic crisis, layoffs generally averaged around 200,000 per week, about one fifth the number we saw last week.

COVID-19 still weighs heavily on our core economy with only 5% of small businesses anticipating a rise in sales over the next three months according to the National Federation of Independent Businesses. At the same time, U.S. industrial production rose 3% in July, leaving it 8.2% below where it was a year ago. A large part of that monthly increase was driven by a 28% increase in car and car parts inventories as dealers filled up their inventories even as sales continued to fall, on hopes that those sales would soon be recovering. The automobile production surge followed a severe slump as auto factories were forced to limit output as COVID-19 cases swept through their workforce, shutting down

factories and disrupting supply chains.

What looks like a major shift in our long-term retail environment is occurring. Simon Properties, the nation’s largest owner of shopping mall real estate, is in negotiations with Amazon to convert what were the anchor stores housing traditional names like Sears and J.C. Penney into distribution centers. In a similar move, Lowe’s, the hardware and DIY big box, is investing billions of dollars into distribution centers both for its existing retail stores and to get into the business of delivering products directly to digital customers ordering online.

As we close in on the midpoint of the third quarter, Moody’s Analytics’ high frequency GDP estimate is forecasting the quarter to show a GDP growth of 18.6% annualized, or about 4.65% for the quarter. Evidence abounds that our economy is not as bad off as it was, but the nascent recovery is on uncertain ground as the national toll of COVID-19 cases continues to increase at about 50,000 per day and the death toll rises to nearly 170,000. Bell County continues to prove it is not immune to the pandemic as the total confirmed cases rose to 4,089 and the deaths to 46. The good news is that while the national confirmed case growth rate has jumped to nearly 4% per day, the death rate for confirmed cases has fallen nationally to about 3.2% from earlier highs in the 6% range.

Our long-term outlook remains the same. There will be a rough and uncertain period until we have an effective vaccine and have vaccinated the majority of Americans. That will be followed by a rebuilding and an economic boom. It is, in our opinion, just a matter of getting through the next year or so.

SISD gets perfect 100 on FIRST financial accountability rating

This month our school district received a perfect score of 100 and a rating of “A” for “Superior Achievement” under Texas’ School FIRST financial accountability rating system. The “Superior Achievement” rating is the state’s highest, demonstrating the quality of Salado ISD’s financial management and reporting system.

This is the 18th year of School FIRST (Financial Accountability Rating System of Texas), a financial accountability system for Texas school districts developed by the Texas Education Agency in response to Senate Bill 875 of the 76th Texas Legislature in 1999 and amendments under House Bill 5, 83rd Texas Legislature, Regular Session, 2013. The primary goal of School FIRST is to achieve quality performance in the management of school districts’ financial resources, a goal made more significant

Superintendent’s Corner

by Dr. Michael Novotny



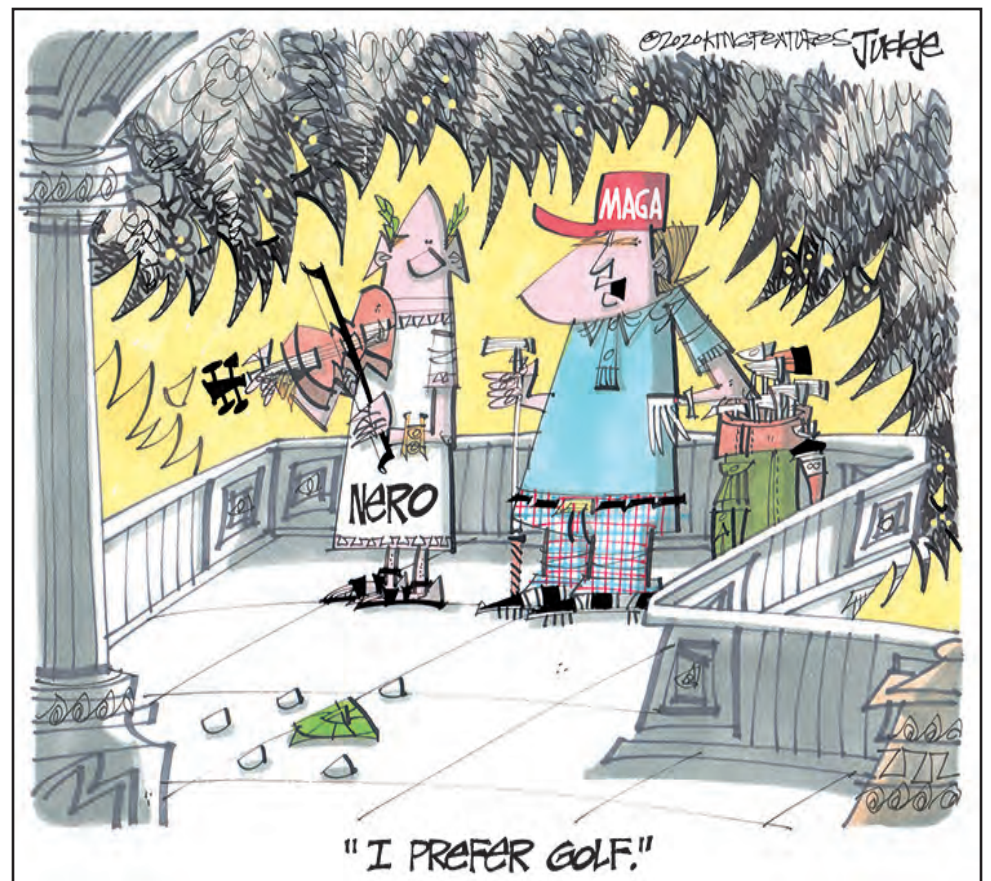
due to the complexity of accounting associated with Texas’ school finance system.

This rating shows that our district is making the most of our taxpayers’ dollars. This rating shows that our schools are accountable not only for student learning, but also for achieving these results cost-effectively and efficiently.

The Texas Education Agency assigned one of four financial accountability ratings to Texas school districts, with the highest being “A” for “Superior Achievement,” followed by “B” for “Above-Standard Achievement,” “C” for “Standard Achievement”

and “F” for “Substandard Achievement.” Salado ISD has achieved the highest rating for all 18 years the Texas Education Agency has been assigning FIRST ratings.

Thank you to the following employees in our finance/business office that helped our school district earn this distinction: Brandy Stanford, Chief Financial Officer; Kelli Rhiddlehoover, Accounts Receivable/Payable Specialist; Lindy Robinson, Accounts Payable Specialist; Belia Rodriguez, Payroll/Benefits Specialist; Renee Tubbs, Payroll Specialist



Don’t Mess with SALADO, Texas

To the Editor:

Like others in Salado, I walk my dog early in the morning downtown. The sidewalks and new streetlamps are so beautiful, and the planners, workers, and leaders of these improvements deserve our thanks. I also see the merchants who sweep and trim and mow to keep their properties beautiful. I see the efforts of volunteers. Salado is truly a special place.

Your Voice

Letters to the Editor

Sadly, I also see some people don’t do their part and leave plastic bottles, tin cans, and dog-poop around. As we move into fall more tourists and vacationers will be arriving. Like the TV ad

says, “Don’t mess with Texas.” Help us ensure our village is a place people want to come back to again and again.

Douglas Nelson
Salado

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Glossup manager of Monteith Salado office

Monteith Abstract and Title Company announced that Hillary Glossup is the new manager of the Salado office, located at 213 Mill Creek Dr., Suite #140 in Salado Plaza Shopping Center.

Glossup began her career in title in 2018 and joined Monteith Abstract & Title in October 2019.

Glossup became a part of the Salado community when she started working at First State Bank as the new accounts representative in 2016, working for David

Matthews.

She has served on the Salado Chamber of Commerce Board, volunteering for the annual Salado Christmas Stroll. She continues to work with the Chamber, for the Annual Salado Chamber Golf Tournament.

Glossup grew up in Mesquite. She became a Texas Department of Insurance Licensed Escrow Officer in March 2020, being named branch manager for the Salado office earlier this month.

"One of my favorite aspects of working in Title

is being able to share life changing experiences with people from all walks of life," Glossup said. "I also enjoy the fact that the industry is ever changing and there's not a single day that I don't learn something new."

She has three daughters that look forward to going back to Salado schools this fall.

Glossup oversees an office of three, with Maicee Armstrong as the Escrow Assistant at the office and Madyson Melchior as the receptionist.



Monteith Abstract and Title Salado office staff are shown above: Madyson Melchior, receptionist, Hillary Glossup, branch manager and Maicee Armstrong, escrow assistant. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)



JAMES ERVIN FITZHENRY
SEPTEMBER 29, 1933
AUGUST 15, 2020

James Ervin Fitzhenry passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, August 15, 2020, just shy of 87 years. He lived a life as a joyful role model and dedicated Christian witness to everyone he met. He is survived by his wife, Bettie Settle Fitzhenry, with whom he spent 65 love-filled years, two daughters, Julie Corley, and her husband Don of Waco, and Gay F. Butz, and her husband Tom of Charleston, SC, four grandchildren and three great granddaughters.

Jim grew up as an only child in Victoria, TX, the son of Amos Ervin and Sophie Fitzhenry. He graduated from Patti Welder High School in 1952. He received his undergraduate degree from Baylor University and his master's degree from Southwestern Theological Seminary. There wasn't much Jim couldn't and didn't try to do during his lifetime. He was a DJ, a radio and TV announcer, a youth minister, music minister, education director, church fundraiser, editor and marketing manager for Texas Instruments, florist, and the ultimate "encourager of students" as the first Director of Career Services for the University of Mary Hardin Baylor. He always felt each role he had in life prepared him well for the next opportunity that God provided. In addition to his professional work, he was an accomplished artist and published author.

Outside of family, Jim was an active member of his community serving as Chairman of the Board of the Belton Area Chamber of Commerce in 1994. His service culminated in a trip to Japan representing UMHB and the city of Belton for the inaugural ceremonies for the Ebino Plateau International Business College. Every Sunday, he and Bettie could be found at First Baptist of Salado. They both found great joy in the work of the church and were steady hands in the children's ministry for many years.

In all of his life work, he loved his roles as "Jimbo" to Bettie, "Dad" to his girls, and "PawPaw" to his grands the best. Jim took great pride in the legacy of love and unselfish sacrifice that would continue in the lives of his grandchildren and their children: Ashley Corley McGinity (and her husband, Michael, and their daughters Merritt and Madelyn) of Helotes, TX, Christopher Corley (and his wife, Ashley, and their daughter, Molly) of Katy, TX, Rachel Butz and Caroline Butz of Charleston, SC.

Bettie and her family will be available on Friday, August 21, from 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. for a drive-by visitation on the driveway of their home where Jim and Bettie regularly greeted their friends and neighbors every day. There will be a private family graveside service on Saturday morning, August 22.

Should friends desire, memorial gifts can be made to the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, 900 College Street, UMHB Box 8433, Belton, Texas, 76513, or online at <https://go.umhb.edu/giving> (simply indicate the gift is in memory of Jim Fitzhenry/Career Services).

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(PHOTOS BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

JR Lett presents Renee Oas with a certificate of appreciation and a gift from her fellow board members for her years as President of the Salado Family Relief Fund. Prior to that, she served on the board and coordinated the Christmas project of the SFRF for several years. Oas retired from the board this year and Lett is the new President of the SFRF Board. Below, Basilia Flores accepts a \$500 donation from Maurine Nathanson on behalf of the Salado Chamber of Commerce Auxiliary. Salado Family Relief Fund will provide school supplies and backpacks to more than 100 economically disadvantaged Salado ISD students.



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Death of a Fort Hood Soldier COVID

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The policy states that, "Students and staff who have tested positive for COVID-19 will be permitted to return to school when: They are 3 days (72 hours) fever-free without using fever-reducing medication; Improved symptoms (cough, difficulty breathing, etc.); 10 days have passed since symptoms began."

The school policy guideline further states that, "If an individual who has been in a school is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19, the school must notify its local health department..."

"Schools must close off areas that are heavily used by the individual with the lab-confirmed case (student, teacher, or staff) until the non-porous surfaces in those areas can be disinfected."

"District communication will be provided to the students who came in contact with a student or staff member displaying COVID-19 symptoms."

"Staff members displaying COVID-19 symptoms will follow district protocols including isolation from students and other staff members," the SISD guidance states.

Practices will continue for the band and for the color guard, according to Dr. Novotny, who said that students were appropriately socially distanced and wore masks during practices.

Sp. Cole Jakob Aton, 22, whose home of record is listed as Science Hill, Kentucky, entered the Army in March 2018 as an Army Patriot Launching Station Enhanced Operator-Maintainer and has been assigned to the 1st Battalion, 44th Artillery Regiment, 69th Air Defense Artillery Brigade since August 2018.

Aton's awards and decorations include the National Defense Service Medal and the Army Service Ribbon.

"The command wishes to express its condolences to the families and friends of Specialist Jakob Aton, and all who have been affected by this tragic accident. Specialist Aton was a professional, committed to the mission. His selfless service and care for others are in keeping with the highest traditions of the "Lightning Brigade" and our Army. The entire team is heartbroken. Our priority right now is to take care of his family," said Col. Ethan Hall, commander 69th Air Defense Artillery Brigade.



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John and Peggi Wilson, Now and Then



John & Peggi Wilson celebrate 50th wedding anniversary

John and Peggi Wilson of Salado celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 7. Due to the current situation, the couple celebrated privately but are planning for a bigger celebration next year.

Peggi Adams, daughter

of AM "Johnny" and Zelma Barnes Adams, married John Wilson, the son of Christine Rogers Lindsay and John Maclin and Yvonne Wilson on August 7, 1970 at Immanuel Baptist Church of Temple with Guyinn Williams officiating.

The couple are both lifelong Salado residents. Peggi has been a hairstylist for 56 years and has owned Hair Designs in Salado for 36 years. John has been in construction for 54 years and is currently employed at Dry-

wall Systems of Belton.

The couple has two children, Trampas Wilson and his wife Jamie of Mansfield and Sommer Wilson of Austin. They have six grandchildren.

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for 60 days a temporary order restricting visitation for some facilities. TMA President Diana L. Fite, MD, said while limiting visitors aims to lower the risk of exposure and prevent the spread of COVID-19 among patients, health care workers, and visitors, the current regulatory restrictions also affect patients' well-being.

Under the new proposal, in-person visitation would be permitted when discussing or determining a patient's serious-illness goals or care, or end-of-life decisions such as maintenance or withdrawal of life-saving treatments, and when death of a patient is expected in the near future, as determined by physicians or advance practice medical professionals. Children also could visit their seriously ill parents.

The proposed principles acknowledge the need for balance amid shortages of staffing, adequate personal

protective equipment (PPE), and rapid testing availability for anyone entering a medical facility. Visitors must comply with a facility's PPE policies and may need to sign a liability waiver. They might also need to agree to self-quarantine for 14 days from the day of their last visit to visit again. Facilities should also consider registering visitors of COVID-19 patients and sharing registration records with local health departments in the event of the virus spreading.

The health organizations advise requiring support and clearance for adjusted visitation policy decisions from a facility's infection control leadership while considering existing rules and regulations.

"We would expect the emergency rules will evolve with time as the rate of virus growth ebbs," Dr. Fite said. "We hope we can tend to our patients' needs beyond just physical ailments."

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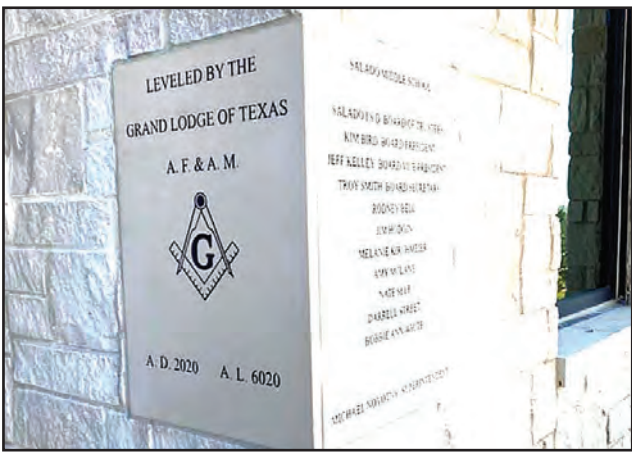
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The Cornerstone at Salado Middle School.



Speakers during the ceremony included Superintendent Michael Novotny, State Representative Brad Buckley, Mayor Skip Blancett and Salado Middle School Principal Ted Smith. (PHOTOS BY TIM FLEISCHER)

Cornerstone ceremony dedicates new Salado Middle School

BY TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

“We faced a lot of challenges during the construction of this beautiful school,” Superintendent Michael Novotny told the audience Aug. 15 during a cornerstone dedication ceremony for the new Salado Middle School, which will welcome students Sept. 8.

“Some of them are ones you would expect during a construction project, like too much rain,” he said,

adding “there was too much rain some of the time during the last year. In fact, a crane actually got stuck in the mud for a couple of weeks because of the mud pit that was formed by all of the rain.”

“Other challenges were not expected. One example is not enough water. Projects like this need water for the foundation during construction and we didn’t have access to any water lines when we started. Of course COVID-19 was an unexpected

– and unprecedented – challenge we faced as well,” he said. “Thankfully we overcame all of these challenges to complete Salado Middle School.”

Dr. Novotny thanked Amy McLane and Jason Torczynski for serving as the co-facilitators of a facilities committee that recommended construction of the Middle School. He thanked the seven Salado ISD trustees who voted unanimously to proposed the \$49.4 million bond issue for the new

school, renovations at the elementary school and football field and construction of the baseball and softball complex: current trustees Dr. Kim Bird, Jeff Kelley, Troy Smith and Nate Self and former board members Melanie Kirchmeier, Rodney Bell and Darrell Street.

He thanked the late Kathi Walrath for leading Vote Yes bond committee that results in 1,286 Salado ISD registered voters casting their ballot in support of the bond proposal. “This was

the highest number of votes and the highest percentage of votes (66%) in support of any bond election in the history of our school district,” he said.

Three new school trustees came on board during the design and construction of the school: Jim Hodgins, Dr. BA White and Amy McLane.

Dr. Novotny pointed out Salado Water Supply Corporation manager Ricky Preston, county commissioner Bobby Whitson and

former commissioner Tim Brown, the Board of Aldermen and Village of Salado, Will Smith of Huckabee Architects and Drew Gregston and Leroy Beaver of Lee Lewis Construction.

The current and former school trustees names along with Dr. Novotny’s are engraved on the cornerstone that was dedicated by the Grand Lodge of Texas A.F. & A.M. following remarks from State Representative Dr. Brad Buckley, Salado SEE SALADO MIDDLE SCHOOL, 3B



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mayor Skip Blancett and Salado Middle School principal Dr. Ted Smith.

Walter W. Rogers, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas A.F. & A.M., served as proxy for Grand Master Paul Underwood for the cornerstone dedication ceremony that utilize the tools of ancient craft masonry, as well as corn, wine and oil.

"The Masonic Fraternity, the Freemasons, developed from the guilds of stonemasons, builders of the glorious cathedrals across Europe during the Middle Ages and forerunners of modern speculative Masonry," Rogers said. "In North America, our forefathers laid the first cornerstones, and we continue in their tradition."

Kevin Wilbourn, representing the Deputy Grand Master, applied the square to the corners and edges of the symbolic stone, declaring that the Craft have done their work.

George Mosely, representing the Grand Senior Warden then applied the tool of his office, the level, to the several edges of the stone and declared the Craft have done well their work.

Chip Green, representing the Gran Junior Warden applied the tool of his office, the plumb, to the square, declaring that the Craft have done well their work.

Finally, Rogers applied the tool of the Grand Master to the stone, the trowel and declared that the stone was well placed, square and good work.

The stone was then set apart by pouring corn, wine, and oil upon its surface, emblematical of the nourishment, refreshment and joy which are to be the rewards of a faithful performance of duty.

Rogers told the audience that the cornerstone ceremony "has changed very little since George Washington laid the cornerstone of our nation's Capitol with full Masonic honors and ceremonies."

In addition to the principal Grand officers already mentioned, the following Past Masters of Texas lodges

represented the various offices of the Grand Lodge of Texas A.F. & A.M.: Grand Treasurer Conrad Hinkel, Grand Secretary Tim Fleischer, Grand Chaplain Paul Christian, Grand Orator and Grand Marshal Randal Smallwood, Grand Senior Deacon Brian Arnett,

Grand Junior Deacon Arthur Wadford, Jr., Grand Senior Steward, James Bracewell, Grand Junior Steward Jason Coffelt, Grand Musician Steven Fields, Grand Photographer Arturo Loera and Grand Tiler Patrick L. Purvis.




Representatives from the Grand Lodge of Texas A.F. & A.M. were on-hand for the Cornerstone Dedication ceremony at Salado Middle School. Walter W. Rogers, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, acted at the Grand Master for the ceremony.




(PHOTOS BY TIM FLEISCHER) Dr. Michael Novotny greets the audience at the Dedication Ceremony for Salado Middle School.

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Salado Lady Eagles are out to a 3-1 start after their most recent wins in dual match play last week. (PHOTOS BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Lady Eagles ranked #8, start volleyball season 3-1

Salado Lady Eagles are ranked in the Top 10 in the Texas Girls Coaches Association volleyball poll after a 3-1 start to the season. The varsity girls are currently ranked #8 in the recent poll.

The Lady Eagles were 3-0 before falling to Lorena in straight sets on Aug. 16. The Lady Eagles got off to a slow start and could not recover in time against a talented Lorena team dropping the match in straight sets (12-25, 16-25, 19-25). Middle blocker, Kenslee Konarik would have a solid afternoon with 3 blocks and 8 kills.

Coming off their season opener victory, the Lady Eagles didn't let up against Academy and Lampasas in a dual match on Aug. 14. Salado would avenge last year's five-set loss by defeating Academy with ease in straight sets (25-13, 25-17, 25-21). Freshman Reese Rich would serve from 3-1 all the way to 13-1 and the Lady Bees would not recover. Salado would have a wall up front led by Middle Blocker Kenslee Konarik who collected 6 blocks in the match. The Lady Eagles

diversified attack from Ha-leigh Wilk and Katey Bartek would set the tone offensively and Libero Megan Manibusan had an outstanding game with 15 digs.

Former district opponent Lampasas suffered a similar fate at the hands of the Red Posse with scores of (25-17, 25-8, 25-22). Another great effort from Manibusan would lay the foundation. Senior Reese Preston would turn in 14 assists on the night to go with Sophomore Alex Dworaczyk would have a solid night at the net with 6 kills and 3 stuff blocks.

The Lady Eagle volleyball program wasted no time getting back to business, opening regular season play Aug. 11 against the Lady Buffaloes of Florence. Salado set the tone early with a crushing 25-5 victory. The second set would not come as easily, but Salado would hang on with a score of 25-21 before finishing the Lady Buffaloes off in straight sets with a final of 25-19. Freshman Reese Rich would serve Florence aggressively all night with 4 aces and Junior OH Lainey Taylor led the attack for Salado collect-

ing 10 kills on the night. Junior Varsity

Salado JV Lady Eagles are 2-2 on the season. The JV squad competed hard against the Lorena JV Lady Leopards on Aug. 16, but ultimately fall short in two (22-25, 17-25).

The JV girls struggled in their first match against Academy losing in straight sets (16-25, 16-25). They would rebound in the second match against Lampasas (28-26, 25-19) in dual matches at Salado High School Aug. 14.

The JV squad of Salado handled Florence in ease with straight set victories (25-12, 25-12) to start the season Aug. 11. Sophomore Nikki Poole played a great game on the outside. Emma Grant and Paige Farris turned in a solid match and contributed as well.

Ninth Graders

Freshmen

Salado ninth grade girls fell to Lorena in straight sets on Aug. 16 (12-25, 9-25).

Salado's ninth graders would struggle in their dual matches Aug. 14 at home, losing to both Academy (25-23 16-25, 22-25) and Lam-



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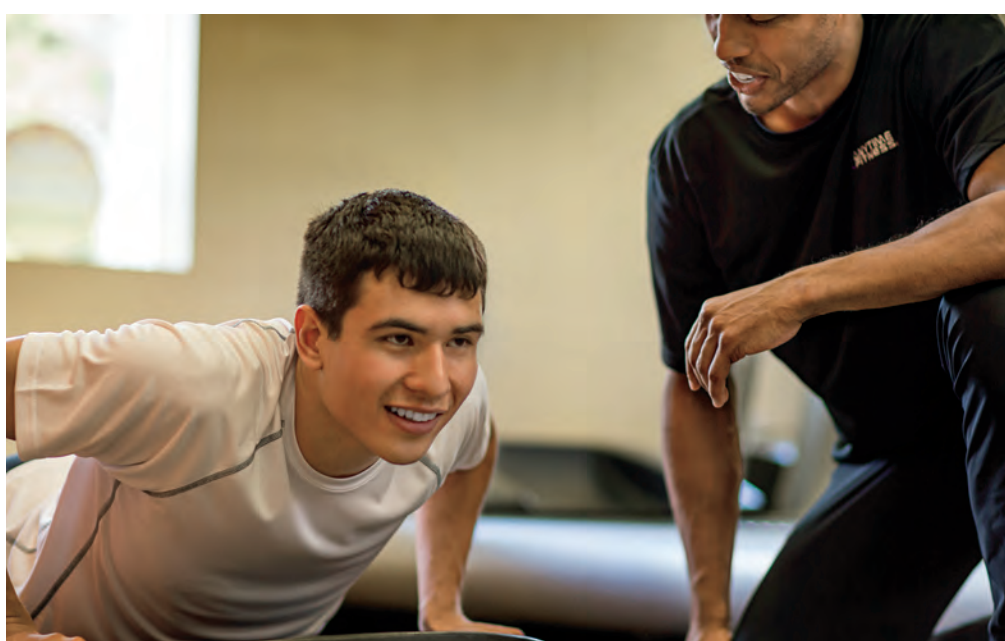
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The Untimely Death of Bush Hamblen

By CAROL WILSON
LOCAL HISTORIAN

Even those with a casual knowledge of Salado's history are probably familiar with the William K. Hamblen family. Alice, the matriarch, is best known for the donation of land she made in 1924 that facilitated the building of a public school. That red brick schoolhouse, located on the site of the old Hamblen home, currently houses the school district's offices. Many Salado families, including the Hamblens, played crucial roles in developing Salado's schools, churches, and businesses, but this family was highly visible for another reason; they had an abundance of children.

A few facts you may not know about the Hamblen family:

- * Alice was 28 years younger than her husband William
- * William was a widower with 3 children when he married Alice in 1864
- * Salado College was al-

ready a decade old when the Hamblens relocated from Milam County to Salado

* William fathered a total of 18 children, 4 of them with his first wife

On a list of Hamblen children arranged by birth year, Bush Hamblen registers at number nine. He was born in Salado on July 21, 1871, almost certainly in the Hamblen home. Bush was known for his gentle character so the news of his death at age twenty must have been shocking to the community. During the evening hours of December 28, 1891, Bush Hamblen was stabbed to death while attending a social at a private residence in Milam County.¹

The Hamblen family had considerable ties to Milam County even though William and Alice had relocated to Salado shortly after their 1864 marriage. William, his brother John and sister Sarah, had settled there in 1848 accompanied by their widowed mother. Over the years, the brothers amassed large holdings of land and

livestock and for many years operated a general store. Sarah married a man named Shilo Glasscock. Shilo died early in the marriage leaving Sarah with a young son, William Spencer Glasscock. When William was just ten years old, tragedy struck again when Sarah died leaving her son orphaned. Alice and William Hamblen took the boy into their home where he received the benefits of good education along with his passel of Hamblen cousins.

By 1891, the year that Bush Hamblen was killed, William Glasscock was thirty-seven and living in Milam County with his wife Ida and their four children. The Glasscock home was in a rural area not far from Rockdale, on the San Gabriel River. It is unclear whether Bush lived in Milam County or was merely visiting. John Hamblen, uncle to both Bush and William Glasscock, still lived in Milam County where he owned much livestock as well as both a saddle shop and hard-

ware store in Rockdale. It is possible that Bush worked for him. Whatever the circumstance, Bush Hamblen was in Milam County on the evening of December 28, and was invited to attend a social at the William Glasscock home. Bush arrived at the party with a young boy in tow. The youngster is a character of some mystery in this story, described in newspaper accounts only as an orphan boy. We can reasonably surmise that this child may have been one of many unfortunates that the Hamblen family took in over the years. The child's presence at the social raised the ire of one of the partygoer, a fact that suggests that the boy may have been black.

William Crow, a local resident of eighteen, was also at the social. He and one of his sisters had arrived at the party via the family buggy. Crow and Hamblen were virtual strangers but for some reason, Crow was annoyed with the presence of the young boy who had



While our historian could not find a photo of Bush Hamblen, she did find this public photo of his murderer William Crow on an ancestry.com public family tree.

accompanying Hamblen and was eager to make his objections known. He belittled the child, lobbing rude and offensive comments at him, suggesting that the boy was unwelcome. On hearing this, Hamblen approached Crow and insisted that he leave the boy alone and redirect his complaints to him. See BUSH HAMBLEN, PAGE 2C

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Bush Hamblen

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(Bush). Court records state that Crow responded with profanity and a response that sounds somewhat awkward today. "I will knock it into you," Crow threatened. Hamblen replied, "You had better try it."

"Get out and give me room," said Crow and the two men headed for the door. With Hamblen leading and Crow close behind, a string of party guests followed the pair outside expecting to see a dust-up.

Witnesses later testified that the men had barely cleared the doorway when William Crow drew a small knife and plunged it into the side of his opponent's neck. The injured man staggered forward, falling dead near the front gate of the Glasscock home. Onlookers were shocks and horrified, and authorities were summoned. But William Crow and his sisters quickly claimed their buggy and headed home. Within thirty minutes of the incident, William was home and telling his mother that he had acted in self-defense, claiming that Bush had been reaching for a gun when he killed him.

At trial, witnesses disputed Crow's version of events. They believed that Bush was killed so quickly that he had no opportunity to pull his gun. However, Crow's story was not completely

unreasonable because the authorities that arrived at the Glasscock house soon after the incident, did find a gun in Bush Hamblen's pocket.

During the trial, several witnesses to the incident testified, among them a young lady named Mollie White. White's story, that Bush had never had a chance to reach for a gun, was helpful to the prosecution. In the end, the jury found William Crow guilty of murder in the second degree and sentenced him to five years. He appealed. The Court of Appeals heard the case in March of 1893.

At issue was the statement that Crow had made to his mother when he arrived home. The claim of self-defense was one he had also made to his sister and others at the social right after the clash. The statement to his mother had been excluded from evidence presented in court.

Judge John N. Henderson denied the appeal, writing:

On a trial of Murder, the exclusion was proper of defendant's statement of the difficulty to his mother, made half an hour after the homicide, and after driving home from the place of killing; such statement not constituting a part of the res gestae. (meaning not relevant). The evidence disclosed that defendant and deceased, becoming engaged in an angry dispute at an evening party, went out to fight and that, as soon as they confronted each other, defendant drew a dirk and killed deceased. The court charged that, if defendant killed deceased without warning, it would be murder. But if he saw deceased draw a weapon, and believed his life to be in danger, and struck to protect himself, it would be manslaughter. Held, that error cannot be predicated on such charge on the ground of insufficiency as it covers the only theories presented by such a state of facts.

William Crow entered

Huntsville on May 27, 1893. He was registered as age nineteen, standing 5'11" and weighing 170 pounds. He was released on July 5, 1897.

There is a sad footnote to this story related to the witness named Mollie White. Miss White, who lived in the community along the San Gabriel where the Bush murder occurred, had testified at Crow's trial. She and other witnesses were instrumental in convincing the jury that Bush Hamblen had never had a chance to reach for a gun. When Mollie White was murdered on July 10, 1892, people suspected that her death was related to her testimony, especially when Jim Bob Crow, William's brother, was arrested and charged with the killing.

Details of the horrific crime were published in The Daily Hesperian (Gainesville), July 15, 1892 under the heading, Further Details of the Killing of Miss Mollie White.

July 12 - After midnight Miss Molly White staggered into the room where her mother and father were sleeping. Her father spoke to her but she shank down and died in a moment without uttering a word. Upon investigation it was found that her throat was cut from ear to ear, severing the windpipe and large blood vessels.

This occurred in Milam county about two miles south of the San Gabriel post office, within a mile of the place where Bush Hamblen was stabbed and killed last Christmas. Miss White slept in a shed room adjoining that in which her parents slept. The tracks of a man were found leading from the window out through a cotton field, at the back of which was seen where a horse had been hitched. The horse was tailed to a steep crossing on Pecan creek, a few hundred yards from the house where the rider had to dismount and lead his horse up the steep bank. There

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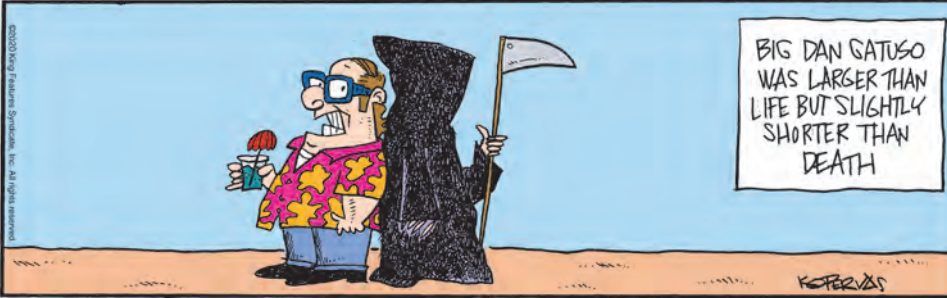
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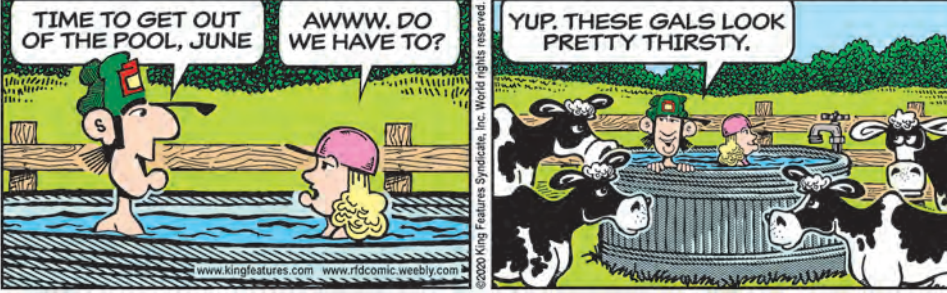
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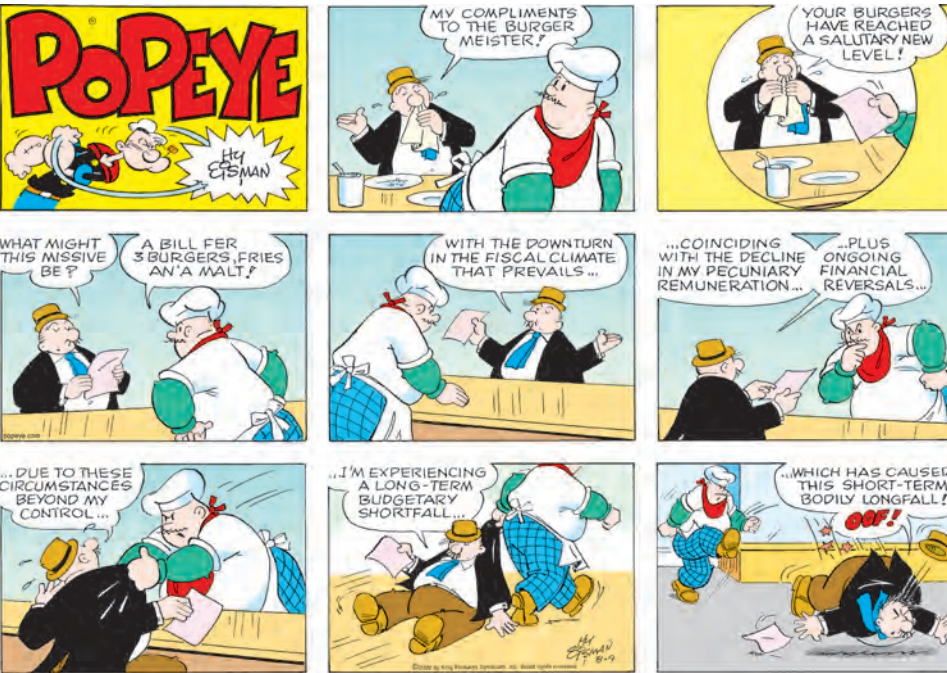
R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



Contract Bridge

Famous Hand

North dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH

- ♠ A 6 2
- ♥ A K 7
- ♦ 7 6 3
- ♣ A Q 7 3

WEST

- ♠ 10 9 5 3
- ♥ J
- ♦ K Q J 10 9 4
- ♣ J 4

EAST

- ♠ J 8
- ♥ Q 10 9 4 3 2
- ♦ 8
- ♣ 10 9 8 2

SOUTH

- ♠ K Q 7 4
- ♥ 8 6 5
- ♦ A 5 2
- ♣ K 6 5

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 ♣	Pass	1 ♠	2 ♦
3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	

Opening lead — king of diamonds.

This hand was played many years ago by British star Adam Meredith. The bidding was far from perfect, but that's how it went. Meredith then proceeded to make four spades by an ingenious method of play.

West led the diamond king and, when Meredith ducked, continued with the queen. East discarded a heart, and Meredith won the queen with the ace. He then cashed the A-K-Q of spades, learning that West, who had already shown up with six diamonds, also had four spades.

Meredith seemingly had four sure

losers at this point — a spade, a heart and two diamonds — and had to find a way to eliminate one of them. This would have been easy to accomplish had the clubs been divided 3-3, but Meredith realized that this was unlikely to be the case.

After long thought, he concluded that his best chance was to try to convert his remaining spade into his 10th trick by ruffing a diamond!

Accordingly, he led a heart to the king at trick six. Had West shown out, it would have meant that he had three clubs, assuring the contract. But West followed suit, and Meredith then played the A-K of clubs.

When West followed to both clubs, Meredith knew he had the contract in the bag. He led another club toward dummy's Q-7. It would not have helped West to ruff, so he discarded a diamond. Dummy won with the queen and continued with the seven of clubs. When East played the ten, Meredith discarded his last diamond.

East was now forced to return a heart. Again West could not gain by ruffing, so he discarded another diamond. Meredith won the heart with dummy's ace and ruffed a diamond as West helplessly followed suit, and the game was home.

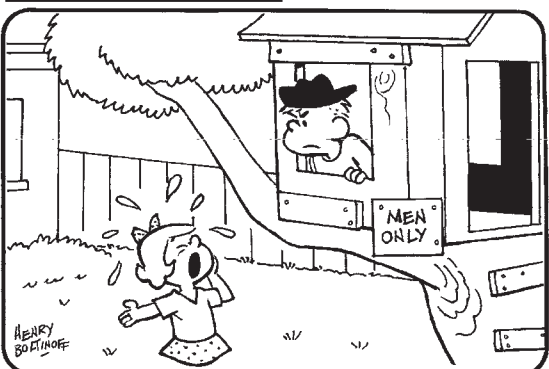
It might appear that if East ruffs the second diamond lead, the contract cannot be made. In that case, however, South can still come to 10 tricks by eventually squeezing East in hearts and clubs.

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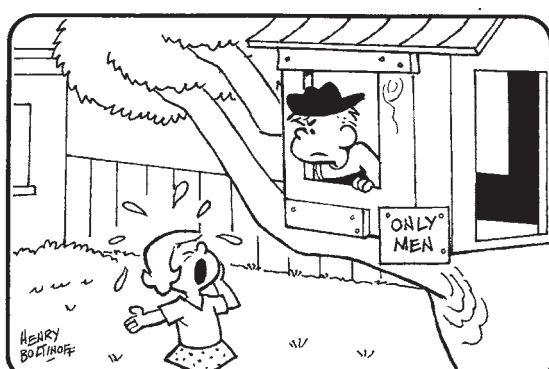
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HOCUS-FOCUS

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Find at least six differences in details between panels.

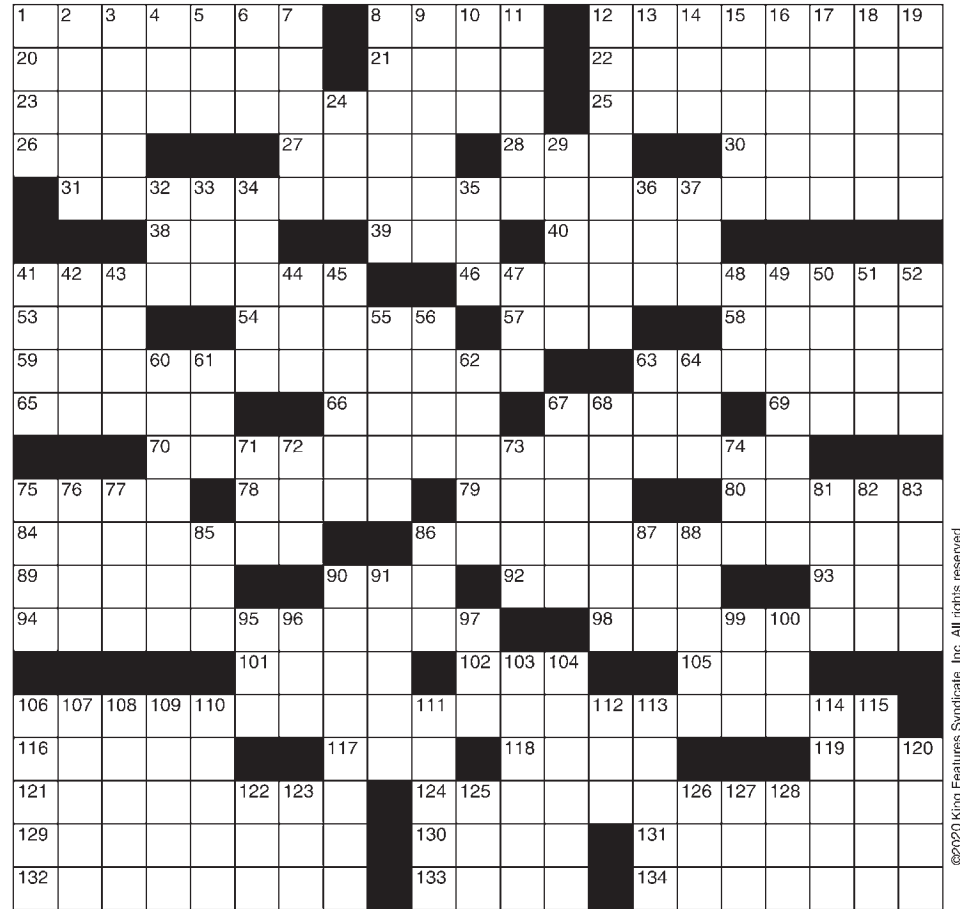


Differences: 1. Girl's bow is missing. 2. Tree limb has been added. 3. Boy's shirt has stripe. 4. Sign is different. 5. Treehouse roof is different. 6. Tree steps are gone.

Super Crossword

LEAVING L.A.

- ACROSS**
- 1 Most minuscule
 - 8 "The lady — protest ..."
 - 12 Subjective newspaper section
 - 20 Slightly
 - 21 Opera part
 - 22 Scrams
 - 23 Spicy stew that's so thick it takes more than two people to stir it?
 - 25 Commits in confidence
 - 26 Mon. follower
 - 27 With 75-Down, light-colored pub drinks
 - 28 Sticky sealer
 - 30 Very mad
 - 31 Create the wax figure of the Police's frontman?
 - 38 "— be an honor"
 - 39 Dinero dispenser
 - 40 Glass plate
 - 41 Cause of a stuffy nose
 - 46 Speed at which a Roman emperor walks?
 - 53 Diner dispenser
 - 54 Bucoic
 - 57 Many '90s music sales
 - 58 Auditoriums
 - 59 Mailed item containing a bill from a nail salon?
 - 63 Replies to irritably
 - 65 Imprint
 - 66 On the safe side, at sea
 - 67 — B'rith
 - 69 Skywalker's mentor
 - 70 Attach a certain package covering to a corkboard?
 - 75 Chorus voice
 - 78 A.J. of auto racing
 - 79 "Psst" cousin
 - 80 Navigate
 - 84 In a lax way
 - 86 Taking a long time to grow, just like some velvety plants do?
 - 89 Born earlier
 - 90 Sci-fi craft
 - 92 Daisy's kin
 - 93 — Palmas
 - 94 Wound protector that causes sorrow?
 - 98 Hot pepper variety
 - 101 Folk tales
 - 102 MPG org.
 - 105 Suffix with salt
 - 106 Hairless inmates in an old English prison?
 - 116 Related to the kidneys
 - 117 GI tour gp.
 - 118 Tyke, in Baja
 - 119 Sis, e.g.
 - 121 Restricted-access computer linkup
 - 124 Product for scrubbing your noggin?
 - 129 Wash lightly in advance
 - 130 Beige-like
 - 131 Painter
 - 132 Mountains between France and Spain
 - 133 River of myth
 - 134 Most orderly
 - 2 Pelvic bone
 - 3 Big name in skin care
 - 4 Suffix with Tokyo
 - 5 SFO guess
 - 6 Camera type, in brief
 - 7 Work fill-ins
 - 8 Mexican flower
 - 9 Get aligned
 - 10 Up to, in brief
 - 11 Port-au-Prince's land
 - 12 Highway bridge
 - 13 Skillet, say
 - 14 Trauma-trained pro singer
 - 15 Singer Day
 - 16 Rains heavily
 - 17 Verdi's "very"
 - 18 Reach
 - 19 Rurh city
 - 24 Bill the — (comics character)
 - 29 All fired up
 - 32 Billy the — (outlaw)
 - 33 & so forth
 - 34 Gussy up
 - 35 SUV biggie
 - 36 Gene stuff
 - 37 Always
 - 41 Motor noises
 - 42 QED part
 - 43 Paquin of "True Blood"
 - 44 Sweetums
 - 45 Dismal
 - 47 Hotshot
 - 48 "— -La-La" (AI Green hit)
 - 49 Old writing scroll
 - 50 And
 - 51 Dressed (in)
 - 52 Juan's "this"
 - 55 Dole out
 - 56 Theater mogul
 - 60 Interloped
 - 61 Center or Pen lead-in
 - 62 Like prisons
 - 63 Weaken
 - 64 Bit of a chill
 - 67 Beer and tea
 - 68 Quarterback great Joe
 - 71 Org. for 68-Down
 - 72 Lad
 - 73 "Easy there!"
 - 74 Big head
 - 75 See 27-Across
 - 76 1970 hit by the Kinks
 - 77 Chuck of NBC News
 - 81 Tahiti, e.g.
 - 82 Sweetums
 - 83 Fuel brand up north
 - 85 Be incorrect
 - 86 Many an heir
 - 87 Salty waters
 - 88 Hotshot
 - 90 American hwy.
 - 91 Feudal lords' estates
 - 95 Kay-em link
 - 96 Lawn turf
 - 97 "Golly!"
 - 99 "Life of Pi" director Lee
 - 100 Teachers' gp.
 - 103 Larder
 - 104 Farewells, in French
 - 106 Linda in 1998 news
 - 107 Actor Fonda
 - 108 Step into
 - 109 Dancer's handrail
 - 110 Actor Delon
 - 111 Fiatas, e.g.
 - 112 Kin of Ltd.
 - 113 Film director Christopher
 - 114 Actor Davis
 - 115 Claims on homes, say
 - 120 Writer Harte
 - 122 Ark-to-III. dir.
 - 123 Suffix with Nepal
 - 125 Opera part ending
 - 126 Hydrocarbon
 - 127 — glance
 - 128 NSF part



Trivia test

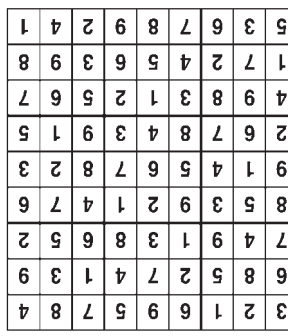
by Fifi Rodriguez

- LITERATURE: What was the name of Hermione's pet cat in the "Harry Potter" series?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the name of the metal band that attaches a pencil and an eraser?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of giraffes called?
- GEOGRAPHY: Which state claims Mackinac Island in Lake Huron?
- TELEVISION: What was the name of the coffeehouse in the "Friends" sitcom?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS: How many presidents have died in office?
- MEDICAL: What is the common name for lachrymation?
- LANGUAGE: What is the American English version of a British flannel?
- HISTORY: Who was the last czar of Russia?
- MUSIC: What was the original name of the pop rock group Maroon 5?

Answers

- Crookshanks
- A ferrule
- A tower
- Michigan
- Central Perk
- Eight
- Flow of tears
- A washcloth
- Nicholas II
- Kara's Flowers

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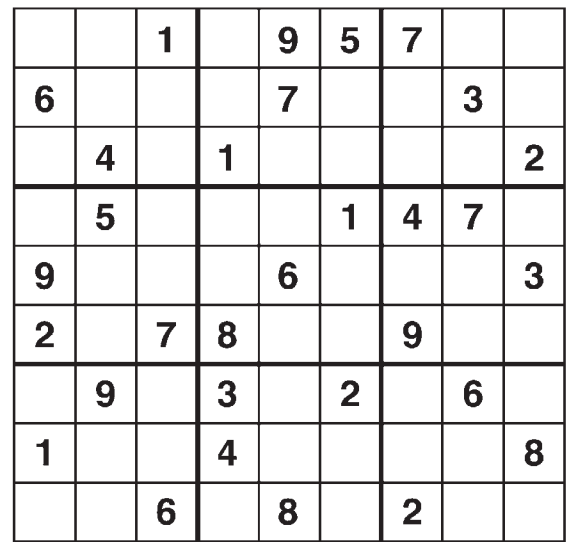


Answer



Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

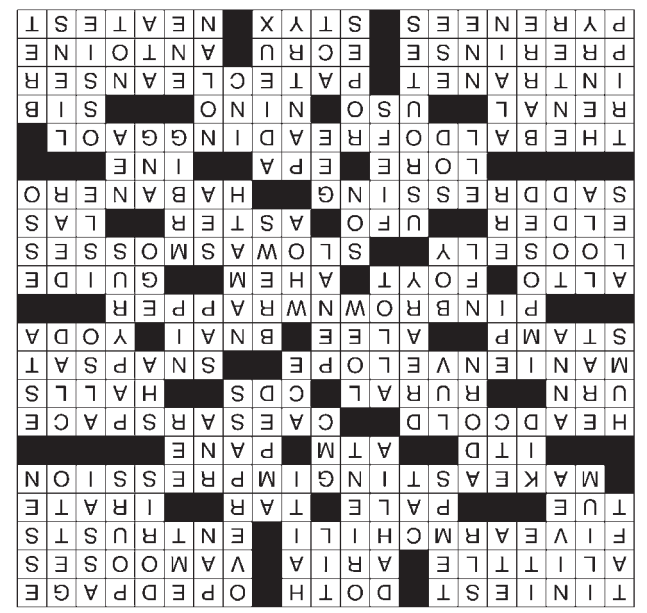


Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

- ♦ Moderate
- ♦♦ Challenging
- ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Answers

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Shopping Map of Salado

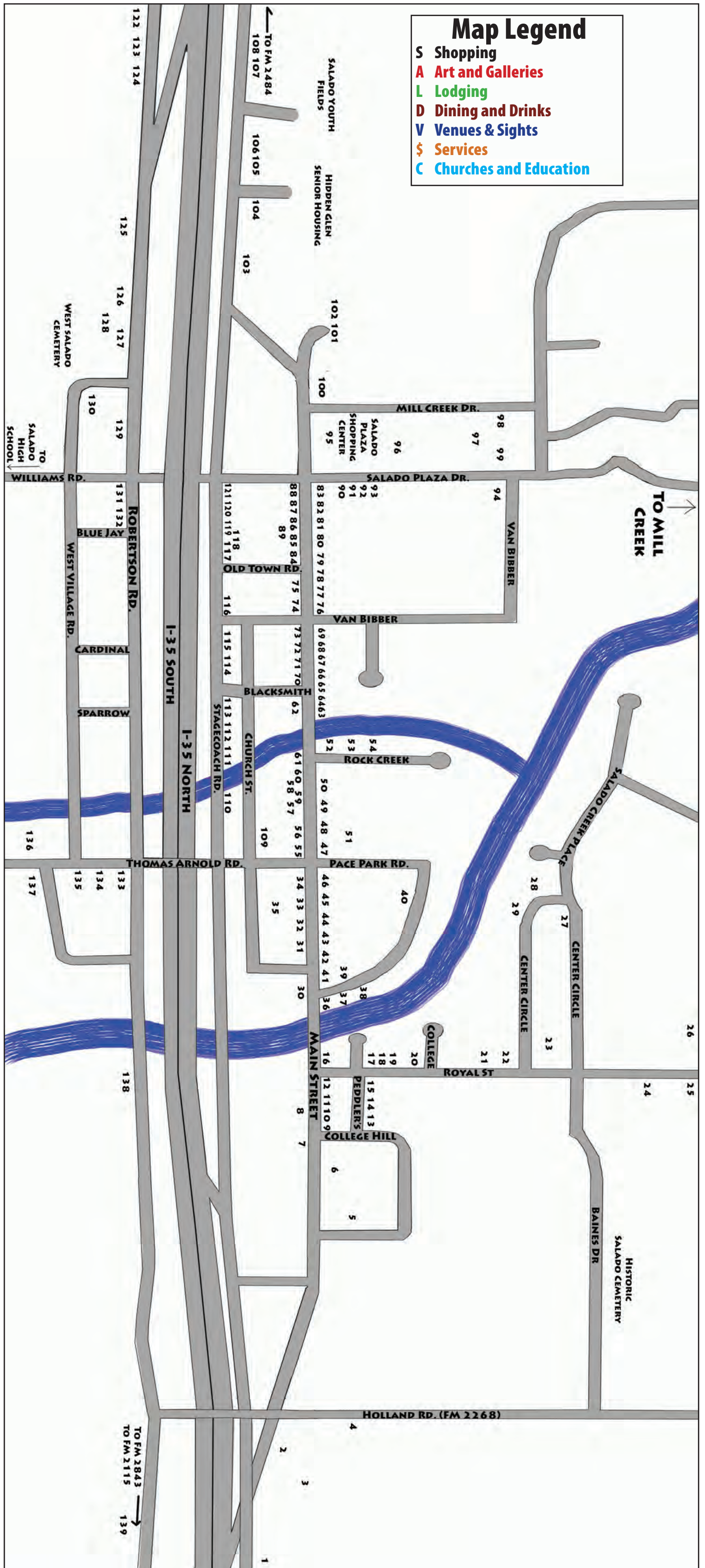
Business Name Type

- 4 **St. Stephen Catholic Church** C
254-947-8037
- 6 **Salado College Park** V
254-947-5232
- 7 **Raney & Associates** \$
254-913-1215
- 9 **Salado Museum** V
254-947-5232
Salado Visitors Center \$
254-947-8634
Salado Chamber of Commerce \$
254-947-5040
Village of Salado Tourism Office \$
254-947-8634
- 10 **Sofi's** S
254-947-4336
- 11 **Chupacabra Craft Beer and Winery** D
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Chupacabra Kitchen D
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- 14 **Salado Glassworks** A
254-947-0339
- 15 **Rio Salado Cocina y Cantina** D
254-308-2044
- 16 **The Sugar Shack** S/D
254-947-8840
- 17 **Barrow Brewing Co.** D
254-947-3544
Happy Pizza S
254-226-1684
- 21 **The Venue** V
254-947-5554
Village Spa S
254-293-6600
- 22 **The Shed** D
254-947-1960
- 24 **Tablerock** V
254-947-9205
- 26 **Salado United Methodist Church** C
254-947-5482
- 29 **Inn on the Creek** L
254-947-5554
Alexanders Craft Cocktails & Kitchen D
254-947-3828
- 30 **First Baptist Church** C
254-947-546
- 31 **Fairway Mortgage** \$
254-947-3454
- 32 **First Texas Brokerage** \$
254-947-5577
- 34 **First Community Title** \$
254-947-8480
Farmer's Insurance Zbrank Agency \$
254-947-0995
- 40 **W.A. Pace Memorial Park** V
254-947-5060
- 53 **Salado Creek Healing** \$
254-308-0242
- 55 **Salado Family Dentistry** \$
254-947-5242
- 58 **The Shoppes on Main** S
The Marketplace Cafe D
254-947-0888
- 60 **Salado Creek Jewelry** S
254-855-5538
- 62 **The Pizza Place** D
254-947-0222
- 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.** D
254-947-8011
- 82 **St. Joseph's Episcopal Church** C
254-947-3160
- 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** S
254-947-8848
- 90 **Presbyterian Church of Salado** C
254-947-8106
- 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 S
254-947-1063
Integrity Rehab \$
254-699-3933
Monteith Abstract \$
254-947-3922
Salado's Hair Shop \$
254-421-5173
Salado Village Voice \$
254-947-5321
- 97 **Brookshire Brothers** S
254-947-8922
- 100 **Salado Public Library** C
254-947-9191
- 101 **Salado Cleaners** S
254-947-7299
- 113 **Salado Church of Christ** C
254-947-5241
- 126 **Cowboy's Barbecue** D
254-947-5700
- 130 **Village Spirits** S
254-947-7117
- 132 **Broecker Funeral Home** \$
254-947-0066
- 135 **Carus Dental** \$
254-947-8067
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- 139 **Cedar Valley Baptist Church** C
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 - Grace Church** C
254-947-5917
 - Mill Creek Country Club** V
254-947-5698
 - Brody's Mill Creek Clubhouse** D
254-654-7885
 - JD's Truck Stop and Grill** S/D
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Map Legend

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



Historical Markers in Salado

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

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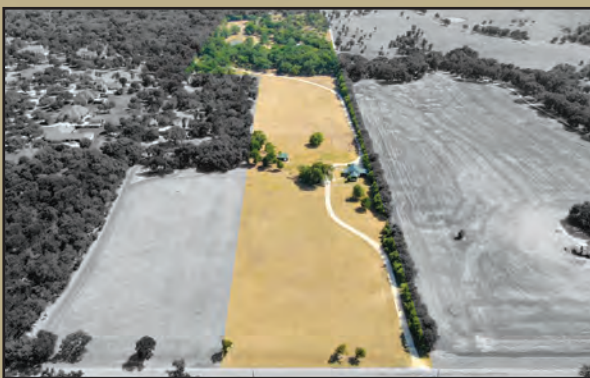
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Animal Complaint	1
Assault-Family	2
Calls For Service	60
Citations	11
Citizen Contact	3
Civil Matter	1
Crash	2
Criminal Trespass	1
Disturbance	1
Fire	1
House Watch	89
Loud Noise	1
Medical	1
Reckless Driving	3
Stranded Motorists	3
Suspicious Circumstances	6
Theft	3
Traffic Hazard	2
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Aug. 9	BLACKBERRY RD,	Difficulty Breathing
Aug. 9	HACKBERRY ST,	Dispatched & Canceled
Aug. 9	ROYAL ST	Dispatched & Canceled
Aug. 9	ROYAL ST	Overdose
Aug. 10	GREEN TREE DR,	Grass fire
Aug. 11	UNION GROVE PARK RD,	Psychiatric
Aug. 11	CACTI LN,	Sick Person - Vomiting
Aug. 11	SMITH BLUFF RD	Lift Assist
Aug. 12	MOURNING DOVE CT,	Unconscious/Fainting Sick Person Altered Level of Consciousness
Aug. 12	BLACKBERRY RD,	Falls
Aug. 12	EAGLES RIDGE DR,	Medical Alarm Accidental
Aug. 12	ANDRE LOOP,	Sick Person Abnormal Breathing
Aug. 12	PRAIRIE DELL CHURCH,	Dispatched & Canceled
Aug. 13	INTERSTATE 35,	Motor Vehicle Accident with injuries
Aug. 13	SCENIC LAKEVIEW DR,	Difficulty Breathing
Aug. 14	INTERSTATE 35	Passenger Vehicle Fire
Aug. 14	MARY LN	Chest Pain
Aug. 14	WILLIAMS RD	Entrapment - Elevator
Aug. 14	INTERSTATE 35	No incident found on arrival
Aug. 14	ANDRE LOOP,	Unconscious / Fainting
Aug. 15	LA PALOMA LOOP,	Falls
Aug. 15	INDIAN TRAIL	Man Down - Cardiac Arrest
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