

Fireworks safety tips for Fourth

With Independence Day on the horizon, fireworks stands are open and people are buying fireworks to celebrate our nation's freedom.

But the Village of Salado has regulations against the discharge of fireworks in the Village limits.

With recent summer rains, conditions have not called for Bell County Commissioners to issue a Burn Ban.

Fireworks are allowed in the unincorporated areas of Bell County.

With that in mind, we offer our readers the following safety tips from the Texas Department of Insurance:

- Always buy fireworks from an established retail out-let.
- Always read and follow label directions.
- Always have an adult present.
- Only ignite fireworks outdoors in cleared areas away from houses, buildings, dry leaves, and flammable materials.
- Keep water handy for fires and emergencies.
- Never experiment or attempt to make homemade fireworks.
- Light only one firework at a time.
- Never re-ignite malfunctioning fireworks; soak them

in water and throw away.

- Never give fireworks to small children.
- Store fireworks in a cool, dry place.
- Never throw fireworks at another person.
- Never carry fireworks in your pocket.
- Never shoot fireworks in metal or glass containers.
- Wear eye protection when shooting fireworks.
- After shooting them, soak fireworks in water before putting them in the trash.

Salado fireworks show July 10

You may also attend a fireworks show put on by professionals.

Mill Creek Country Club will be sponsoring a fireworks show in Salado at dusk on Saturday, July 10. It will take place in the field between Salado High School and Salado Middle School on Williams Road. The Mill Creek Country Club is accepting donations to help offset some of the cost. Anyone interested in donating can mail a check (payable to Mill Creek Country Club) to Mill Creek Country Club, P.O. Box 159, Salado, TX 76571.



For generations, Salado Creek has provided a place to cool off during the Dog Days of Summer. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Off-Highway Vehicles now require license plates

Taking a joyride in a golf cart or off-highway vehicle could soon earn Bell County drivers citations. This comes as the result of state-wide legislation, which has recently taken effect.

House Bill 1548, from the 86th Legislative Session, allows the operation of off-highway vehicles on certain public roadways when they display an Off-Highway Vehicle license plate. This includes all-terrain vehicles

(ATV), recreational off-highway vehicles (ROV), utility vehicles (UTV) and sand rails. The law also requires golf carts that are operated on public roads to display a Golf Cart license plate even when their operation is limited to an area such as a master planned community.

The bill was passed in March 2019 and was set to become official in September, but complications with shipping and the pandemic

kept it from being enforced.

"It took another 6 months before we had the license plates in stock," Bell County Tax Assessor-Collector Shay Luedeke said. "We received our stock of license plates in early March 2020, just before COVID."

In response to the pandemic and resulting shutdown, Governor Greg Abbott issued a waiver for vehicle titles and registrations.

"The waiver made off-

highway vehicle license plates a moot point, since law enforcement could not write tickets for failing to have current registrations," Luedeke said. "That waiver has since lapsed, and we are back to pre-COVID operations, so we can continue processing the off-highway plates per Texas Law."

Plates for off-highway vehicles and golf carts are available at the Bell County Tax Assessor-Collector's

office. Unlike most other vehicle types, off-highway vehicles and golf carts are not subject to vehicle inspection requirements, and liability insurance is not verified when applying for plates.

"We are here to help owners of off-highway vehicles and golf carts and make the process of obtaining plates as simple as possible," Luedeke said. "Once we issue your plate, it will be valid for as long as you own

the vehicle."

The fee for Off-Highway Vehicle and Golf Cart plates is \$10, plus \$4.75 in processing and handling fees.

Off-Highway Vehicle and Golf Cart plates are not subject to annual renewal and are not transferrable.

For more information on the requirements for these vehicles, visit www.txdmv.gov/motorists/buying-or-selling-a-vehicle/unique-vehicles.

Annual potluck picnic at HS cafeteria July 3

Salado Historical Society invites everyone to attend the annual celebration of the Fourth of July (this year on Saturday, July 3) with a Pot Luck Picnic.

The Pot Luck Picnic will be in the Salado High School Cafeteria at noon on July 3.

Everyone attending is asked to bring a dish of vegetables, a salad, or a dessert.

The Historical Society will provide chicken and drinks (tea/water).

The Salado Community Chorus will perform and the guest speaker will be Brigadier General (Ret) Jason Walrath.

Brigadier General Walrath delivered remarks this year at the Memorial Day Service at Salado Cemetery.

Retired Brigadier General Walrath commissioned as an Infantry Officer from the United States Military Academy in 1989. Following a year at the Infantry Center, Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to the 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas as a Rifle Platoon Leader, Battalion Scout



Ret. Brigadier General Jason Walrath

Platoon Leader and later the Assistant S3. He then branch transferred to Aviation and attended flight school at Fort Rucker, Alabama. Subsequent to aviation training

he served as a UH-60 Flight Company Commander, Assistant S3 and later the Battalion S1, 1-52nd Aviation, Republic of Korea.

The balance of his active

duty assignments include; Aviation and Brigade C2 Observer Controller at the Joint Readiness Training Center at Fort Polk, Louisiana and Battalion S3 for 2-291st Aviation TSBn (Attack), Fort Hood, Texas. BG Walrath's USAR assignments include: Aviation Battalion S3, Aviation Brigade Chief of Operations (OIF I), Deputy Aviation Brigade Commander, Aviation Battalion Commander, Aviation Brigade Executive Officer; Deputy Director, Communication Action Group, CJTF82, Afghanistan and Commander, 2nd Brigade, Southern Division, 75th Training Command.

BG Walrath was a member of the Joint community serving as the Deputy Chief of Staff Operations, Joint Enabling Capability Command, Norfolk Naval Base, Virginia.

Before retiring from the U.S. Army Reserve, BG Walrath was the deputy commanding general - support for US Army Recruiting Command (USAREC).

BG Walrath's military awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with five Oak Leaf Clusters, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, Combat Infantrymen Badge, Senior Aviator Wings, Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder Badge and the Ranger Tab.

BG Walrath is a 1989 graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering. He is a graduate of the Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania with a Masters Degree in National Security Studies. His military education includes the Infantry Officer Basic Course, Aviation Officer Basic and Advance Courses, the United States Army Command and General Staff College, Advanced

Joint Professional Military Education - Joint Forces Staff College and most recently the United Kingdom Joint Officer Planner Course in Northwood, England.

BG Walrath is an Army Aviator rated in the OH-58A/C, UH-1H, UH-60A/L, CH-47D, C-12D and UC-35A/B aircraft. Additionally, he is a former commercial pilot and holds an FAA Airline Transport Pilot Certificate with various jet aircraft type ratings.

SHS Signs to be replaced

The Salado Historical Society will soon be replacing all of the Historic Site signs and adding new ones. The new signs will be installed very soon. We are in need of volunteers to help put them up and remove the old ones. The plan is to replace a few each day when the weather is so hot. If you can help, please contact Bill Kinnison at 254-541-4130 or bkinnison@embarqmail.com

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The Markets

Our preferred gauge of the stock market, the S&P 500 Stock Index (SPX) closed out the week at another record high as it got its mojo back after last week's bipolar scares that the Federal Reserve would be too lax or too vigilant. It ended the week at 4280.70, up 2.74% for the week and is now up just under 14% year-to-date. While comparing the SPX with where it was last year at this time is a bit misleading as the Index is indeed up a whopping 42% from its depressive lows of 2020. At least some of the credit for its reinvigoration was given in published reports to the infrastructure deal announced on Thursday between President Biden and a bi-partisan group of Senators. The concept of a trillion dollars invested in roads, bridges, power grids, power sources, and vehicle charging stations across the country inspired investors in everything from Caterpillar to Tesla and propelled the stock market to a series of new highs since the announcement. In light of the recent shutdown of the I-40 bridge across the Mississippi River at Memphis, there was a sense that something had to be done if commerce was to continue to flow across the country. Not to be outdone by its larger cousin, the CRSP Mid Cap Value Index, the other stock index we track, rose 3.42% to 3449.82, also a record close, and is now up 19.39% this year.

The 10-year U.S. Treasury note, the bond market's benchmark, increased its yield to 1.528%, far from its recent highs but reversing six weeks of declining rates. Since bond prices fall when rates rise, the T-note has resumed its role as a counterbalance to the stock market. The yield curve remains quite comfortably steep, suggesting better times ahead. Longer-dated Treasuries out to about 30 years saw a rush of buying as bond investors concluded that the Fed has inflation under control. The price of

Market & Economic Update

By Jeffrey W. McClure



West Texas Intermediate crude oil (WTI) rose 3.42% to \$74.00 as demand continued to ramp up in a reopening economy. In an interesting pattern, the longer-term contracts for WTI are now cheaper than short-term ones. That pattern suggests the oil patch is likely to significantly increase production this year.

The Economy

Two stories dominated the economic headlines for the week, first that household spending held steady at a record rate but continued to shift from buying goods to spending on services, and second that prices were up a bunch from this time last year. The first looked quite healthy and the second was, as usual for one-year comparisons, rather misleading.

The U.S. economy is about 67% consumer spending, quite unlike the economies of most of Europe and Asia where exports, largely sales to the U.S., drive the train. The headline sounded grim here at home, "Consumer Spending Flat from Last Month," but a look at the numbers from the Commerce Department showed something remarkable. Consumer spending for May remained an astonishing 20% higher than it was in February 2020, the month before the pandemic hit. If you have been to a restaurant, or event, you have seen the result, jammed tables and full parking lots. At the same time though, weekly worker filings for unemployment insurance, a proxy for layoffs, also remained flat at 411,000, nearly twice the pre-pandemic number. This is definitely a recovery that is split between different populations. Where and why the layoffs continue to be so high in a booming economy continues to be an unanswered question.

The second headline, that

the Personal Consumption Expenditure (PCE) Index (the Commerce Department's inflation measure) rose 3.9% in the last twelve months, was the one that could be misleading. If instead of measuring the PCE Index against last year at this time, we go back two years and measure the annualized rate since May of 2019, inflation, including food and fuel, has risen at a relatively sedate 2.26% per year. That number is important to the markets because the Federal Reserve Board has repeatedly stated that they don't pay much attention to the CPI but watch the PCE carefully. The difference between the two is that the CPI measures a set list of goods and services, some of which are pretty weird (like the rental value of your house), while the PCE Index measures the price change in what people actually spent money on during the period.

In another bit of good economic news, the Commerce Department announced that U.S. durable goods orders, items expected to last three years or more, jumped 3.2% from April to May. A big piece of that jump was a rush of orders to Boeing for its 787 Max airliners now that they have cleared the safety and regulatory hurdles. Business investment in capital goods, equipment to make things and provide services, continued to rise at a 15% annualized rate.

The bottom line is that we passed through a small wobble last week, but the rebound appears to be stronger than anyone would have predicted even a few months ago. Better, there appears to be plenty of fuel for things to improve even more as the global economy works through its supply-chain issues.

ETJ expansion protected Salado from neighbors' land grab efforts

To the Editor:

In the June 24, 2021 issue of the *Salado Village Voice*, Linda Reynolds asks if Salado really needs an ETJ.

Obviously she is upset that those in the ETJ do not pay city taxes; however, Salado does not provide city services in the ETJ; therefore, no taxation is forthcoming.

Obviously, hers is a limited understanding of the purpose of an ETJ as she only addresses the village's influence on developments.

Property owners voluntarily joined Salado's ETJ as a protective measure for themselves and the Village of Salado's future. That was in an era of land grabs by Belton and Killeen and a potential one by Temple, and area folks preferred to cast their futures with Salado. Without an ETJ, Salado could have been boxed in by these cities and would have lost all access to surrounding areas for expansion.

To eliminate the ETJ would be extremely short sighted, but short sightedness is not uncommon in politicians and political aspirants as evidenced by the allowing of intrusions by the cities of Belton and Killeen into the Salado school district. North along IH-35, Salado ISD's boundaries extend to the Lampasas River, yet Belton's city limits are only a few hundred yards beyond FM 2484. Also, north of Crow's Ranch Road and west of Salado, the area is subject to Killeen, while

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the Salado ISD's boundary extends to Stillhouse Hollow Lake and the river. Those properties will never be available for the village's future expansions, and anything not in Salado's ETJ is at risk.

In contrast, residents along FM 2843 carried the Salado ETJ to the Williamson County line - the Salado ISD's boundary - and would have gone on to join the Florence ETJ had the elected Salado "shakers and movers" complied.

Ms. Reynolds' position reminds me of that taken by many Salado residents in the 1960s. Those locals encouraged annexation of Salado schools by Belton ISD and forced annexation elections. They contended that Salado's schools could not survive, nor could they provide adequate education. A drive past Salado's school complexes and assessment of the student body evidence otherwise. Short sightedness when self-serving, non factual and emotional, is very damaging.

The Salado ETJ is extremely valuable to the ISD, which in return is valuable to the village. Village control of development plats, etc., can help assure retention of quality and taxable value. Individuals building

in the ETJ, although providing and maintaining their own septic and water systems - at no little cost - tend to build valuable homes and enhance their property, and they pay school taxes which subsidize the schools that contribute to the allure of the Village of Salado.

An object lesson in reverse of such narrow mindedness as encouraged by Ms. Reynolds would be the situation in Temple. Old timers explained that early on Temple ISD limited its school district boundaries to conform with the city's original boundaries - allegedly to prevent having to provide school buses. Districts like Belton, Troy, and Academy gladly took up the slack. Although now extending its city limits, much of Temple's growth lies within the Belton and Academy school districts. In fact, at least one major development along Taylor's Valley Road, which is within Temple's city limits, erected a large sign proclaiming that it was in the Academy School District.

Also for Ms. Reynolds' benefit: Individuals in the extended ETJ take care of our rattlesnakes and deer, dead or otherwise, and we take care of our neighbors

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Anti-Police Cities Reap What They Sow

WANTED: *Trained security professionals to deal with elevated levels of crime and mayhem at risk to their own life and limb, while getting called racist oppressors and potentially thrown under the bus by elected officials.*

This has become the de facto employment notice for police around the country, and, unsurprisingly, cops and prospective cops don't find it particularly enticing. Why would they?

America's cities are feeling the effects of a years-long experiment in what would happen if nearly everyone celebrated a movement based on the idea that police are racist goons, excused rioting and explained away spiraling crime, and made it clear to cops that if they make a mistake, they will, at the very least, become instantly infamous. It hasn't gone well.

Portland, Oregon, has been a veritable research lab for this experiment. The latest blow to the city is the mass resignation of the Portland Police Bureau's Rapid Response Team, which is responsible for policing protests in the city -- a challenging, endless, and literally thankless job. Rioting has become part of the fabric of urban life in Portland, where demonstrators have battled with cops nearly every other night since the death of George Floyd.

The city's leadership has been hapless, at best, in dealing with the chaos, and loud voices have been condemning the cops. After an officer in the unit was charged with a crime

Rich Lowry



for striking a photographer in the head with a baton after he had pushed her to the ground, the members considered it a last straw.

Portland City Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty kicked them on the way out the door, calling the resignations "yet another example of a rogue paramilitary organization that is unaccountable to the elected officials and residents of Portland." She didn't want them to quit, but instead to stay on the job so they could be fired.

Either way, she thinks it's a great opportunity to show what "de-escalation in policing looks like" -- effectively blaming the police for black-clad thugs constantly trying to burn things down. The same argument was made about federal officers during the Trump administration, but, lo and behold, the disorder continued even after federal forces stepped back and even after Joe Biden was elected president.

The head of the Portland police union issued a stinging statement in reply to Hardesty, saying that members of the unit "did not volunteer to have Molotov cocktails, fireworks, explosives, rocks, bottles, urine, feces, and other dangerous objects thrown at them." Nor, he continued, did they volunteer "to be subject to warrantless criticism and false allegations by elected officials, or to suffer through baseless complaints

and lengthy investigations devoid of due process."

What's happening in Portland's riot unit is a microcosm of what's happening everywhere. According to a survey by the Police Executive Research Forum, police resignations were up by 45% and retirements up 18% over the last year, while hiring has been slow.

In other words, when we need more cops in response to rising crime, we are getting fewer. This is like cutting back on firefighters while a wildfire is raging or reducing the size of the Army while it is fighting a war. No rational person would want smaller forces right now, yet the elite culture, leftist politicians, and obnoxious street protestors are conspiring to shrink them.

The crux of the matter is the moral status of the police. The question is whether they fulfill an absolutely crucial role that deserves to be honored and supported to the hilt by public officials, who unstintingly back order on the streets as a foundational public good -- or not.

There are signs that even liberal jurisdictions are beginning to get this (crime has a been a top issue in the New York City mayoral race). We aren't going to keep or recruit good cops unless the job description, which has become so off-putting, is again worthy of the indispensability of the work.

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Sirril Gallery artist/owner Michael Pritchett (center) celebrated a 10th anniversary with fellow artists, friends, students and collectors. Sirril Gallery is an eclectic and revolving collection of original art. He can often be found working on a commissioned work, conducting a private lesson or leading group painting sessions. "In a nut shell I can sum it up.....I love doing my art. Always have and always will" Sirril Gallery is located upstairs at the corner of Royal and Main St. Watch for the next Cork and Create experience, call to reserve your space 469-877-0374 or drop in to meet Michael Pritchett in person.

PHOTO BY MARILYN FLEISCHER

Ladies League will meet July 8 at Church of Christ

Salado Ladies Community League will hold its monthly meeting 10 a.m. July 8 at the Salado Church of Christ Activities Building. Coffee and fellowship

will commence at 9:30 a.m. The group will be introduced to the new tourism director, Andrea Howard. The Ladies Community League will and recognize

Howard for her help with the new format of Christmas in October.

Cindy Beard will be the main speaker. As owner of No Place Like Home she

will give a presentation about safety in the home with the goal to help our seniors prevent falls and enjoy a safe and independent life in their homes.

Go Fund Me account set up for Coach Rafay

A Go Fund Me account has been established for Salado Middle School teacher/coach Garrison Rafay, who was bitten by a rattlesnake last month. He was admitted into the ICU at Baylor Scott & White to receive 24 vials of anti-venom.

Coach Rafay was sent home in late June, but was told that it may take weeks or months for the swelling

in his leg to go down.

The Rafay family, just a few days before Garrison was bitten by the rattlesnake, welcomed home their third child, Stryker Reed, following a seven-day stay in the Neonatal ICU.

If you would like to contribute to the fund, visit <https://www.gofundme.com/f/expenses-for-the-ra-fays>



Garrison Rafay

Obituaries

MARLENE "MARTY" WILLIAMS

Funeral services for Edna Marlene "Marty" Williams, 83 of Belton, were held at 10 a.m. Friday, June 25, 2021 at Dossman Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. John Roark officiating. Burial followed at North Belton Cemetery

Edna Marlene Williams died Tuesday, June 22, 2021, at a Temple Memory Care Facility.

Mrs. Williams was born October 11, 1937 in High Point, North Carolina, the daughter of Thomas Hubert Willard and Myrtle Stutts Willard. She married Charles Ernest Williams, Jr. March 21, 1954, in Chesterfield, South Carolina. She worked as a bank secretary for many years. Mrs. Williams and her husband were also Emerald Amway Distributors.

She was a member of Keys Valley Baptist Church in Belton.

Mrs. Williams was preceded in death by her husband October 21, 2016.

Survivors include two sons, Charles Ernest "Chuck" Williams III of Euless, Donald Lee "Donnie" Williams and wife Bridget of Salado; one daughter Ellen Anne Hicks of Temple; one sister Anne Alderson of Morganton, North Carolina. Four grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers please attend the church of your choice.



FREDERICK A. (FRED) SMITH

Frederick Andrew Smith, age 75, of Hamilton, Texas, formerly of Temple, passed away Saturday, June 19, 2021 at Baylor Scott & White Hospital in Temple.

Mr. Smith was born November 13, 1945 in Laredo

to Jacob Ronald Smith and Joyce Edwina Smith. He graduated from Alice High School and served in the U.S. Air Force. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from the University of Mary-Hardin Baylor. After obtaining his CPA license, he worked for Baylor Scott & White Hospital in Human Services over 20 years until his retirement. He then obtained his doctorate in Natural Medicine.

Mr. Smith is survived by his son, Jordan Andrew Smith, of Hamilton; brothers Jacob Ralph Smith and wife, Phyllis, of Alice and John William (Bill) Smith and wife, Bonnie, of Salado.

A Celebration of Life is planned for 10 a.m. July 10 at Living Waters Worship, 720 S. Bell Street in Hamilton with Brother Dick Gatto will officiate.

Memorial gifts may be made to Help My Uncle Fred Rest In Peace at <https://gofund.me/8f9b75f1>.

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without depending on Salado's law enforcement. I can assure you that all I know stay "locked and loaded", and many are in agreement with the "Castle Doctrine". Historically we have worked more closely with game wardens - state agents - since most of our problems have been trespass and/or poaching. We also address our own flooding issues, primarily by know-

ing better than to build in a flood prone area. However, in short the relationship between Salado's ETJ and the village proper is mutually beneficial and should persist. Despite Ms. Reynolds' fishing analogy, the value of that relationship should be respected, appreciated and acknowledged as an asset.

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Texans face 100-degree days, Fragile Power Grid this summer

By ROZ BROWN
TEXAS NEWS SERVICE

AUSTIN, Texas - Some areas of Texas already have

approached triple-digit temperatures this month, and there's concern older adults could face grave danger should the power grid be overwhelmed, as it was during a February winter storm. People already have been asked to conserve power this spring as the Texas grid verged on blackouts.

Tina Tran, AARP Texas state director, said excessive heat is a major hazard for people who are medically vulnerable and some older than 65, especially if they live in older homes. She recommended some safety measures, including "wearing the appropriate clothing, limiting your outdoor activities, staying hydrated, closing the blinds to stay cool enough to stay safe."

Tran said that older people, anyone who's over-

weight or ill, and even infants and young children can be prone to heat exhaustion or heat stroke. She encouraged folks to know the signs of heat stroke and do everything necessary to stay cool indoors, even if it means going to public cooling centers. Tran also reminded younger Texans that during a heat wave it's important to take the time to check on neighbors, older folks and anyone with medical issues.

"In reading some of the stories of people who have suffered, or have even unfortunately passed because of the heat," she said, "often it's because they are rationing, because they are worried about the high bills that they might get."

Last month, the Energy Reliability Council of Texas asked residents to conserve energy to avoid

rolling blackouts. Tran said she hopes it was an anomaly but admitted it was concerning. To ensure reliability, she said, anyone can contact their power provider if they're worried about how to pay the bills "and see if they can be put on a plan, just to ensure that their electricity doesn't get turned off, or that they're on a list in case of rolling outages."

This year, AARP worked with state lawmakers to pass legislation that aims to strengthen the state's emergency-assistance registry, known as STEAR. The free registry provides local emergency planners and responders with information on the needs in their community.

Texans also can call 211 for information about cooling centers or emergency assistance.

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Thomas Wilson, Director of Salado Legends – 2021

By JACKIE MILLS

Thomas “Thom” Wilson, started his interest in theater at Lamar University where he was involved with several musical productions “West Side Story”, “Oklahoma”, and “The Fantasticks” as well as two dance programs, the ballet “Gisele” and “Inagodavita”. While at Lamar, he also worked with a wonderful technical director who advised him on set design for “West Side Story”, “Oklahoma” and “Giselle”. In 1971 he won South East Texas Collegiate Set Design Award for his revolving set for “Oklahoma” and his set design with a working Water Mill cottage for “Giselle”.

After leaving College Thom volunteered for the military in 1972 and served 20 years with the United States Army serving in Military Medical facilities, mental health clinics, and Drug and Alcohol Rehabilitation Centers as a Behavioral Science Specialist and after 1988 as a Master Degreeed Social Worker. He served in Georgia, Texas, Germany, and Washington D.C. Military Communities. While in the Military he continued his activity with amateur theater acting and/or directing in “Fiddler on the Roof”, “The Second Shepherds Play”, “Come Blow your Horn” and also “The Fantasticks”.

Upon Retiring in 1992, Thomas went to work at Scott and White Memorial Hospital (now part of the Baylor Scott and White Healthcare System) as a social worker for the Skilled Nursing Facility, the Cardiac ICU and serving from 1998 thru 2009 Emergency Room Social Worker provided Emergency crisis services and trauma services in Trauma level One Trauma Center.

After retiring from Scott and White, Thomas was hired by Central Texas Area Agency on Aging, Belton TX where he provides Veterans Options Counseling for the AAAC Veterans Directed Home and Community Based Support Program providing Case as-



sessment, case Management services, and caregiver support. He has remained active in Community Theater in Temple through the Temple Civic Theater and The University of Mary Hardin Baylor and also in the Tablerock Festival of Salado with productions of “Fiddler on the Roof”, “Camelot”, “1776”, “Brigadoon”, “Can-Can”, “You Can’t Take It with You”, “Little Abner”, “Oklahoma”, and of course “A Christmas Carol” and “Salado Legends”. He has served as an assistant director for both “A Christmas Carol” and “Salado Legends”. This past year was his second year to direct “A Christmas Carol” At Tablerock, Thom has also designed several set pieces as well as providing backstage management.

Thom has been married to the love of his life, Patricia Wilson for over 48 years and they have 5 children and 10 grandchil-

dren, many of whom have performed on the Tablerock stage or worked backstage during productions. In addition, Thom is active with the Boy Scout Troop 177-B in Belton, Texas and has helped Tablerock Festival of Salado, Inc. with property clean-ups and Eagle Projects that help the Tablerock Park remain attractive and useful to the community.

You may purchase tickets to Salado Legends for performances on Fridays or on Saturdays on the following dates, July 23, 24, 30 & 31 and August 6 & 7 for the show at 8:15 p.m. for \$20—Adult, or \$5 - for a child 12 yr. to 3 yrs. old. The dinner is optional, and will be Mexican food by Brook May’s Hecho En Queso at 7:15 p.m. (before the show) for \$13 – Adult or Child.

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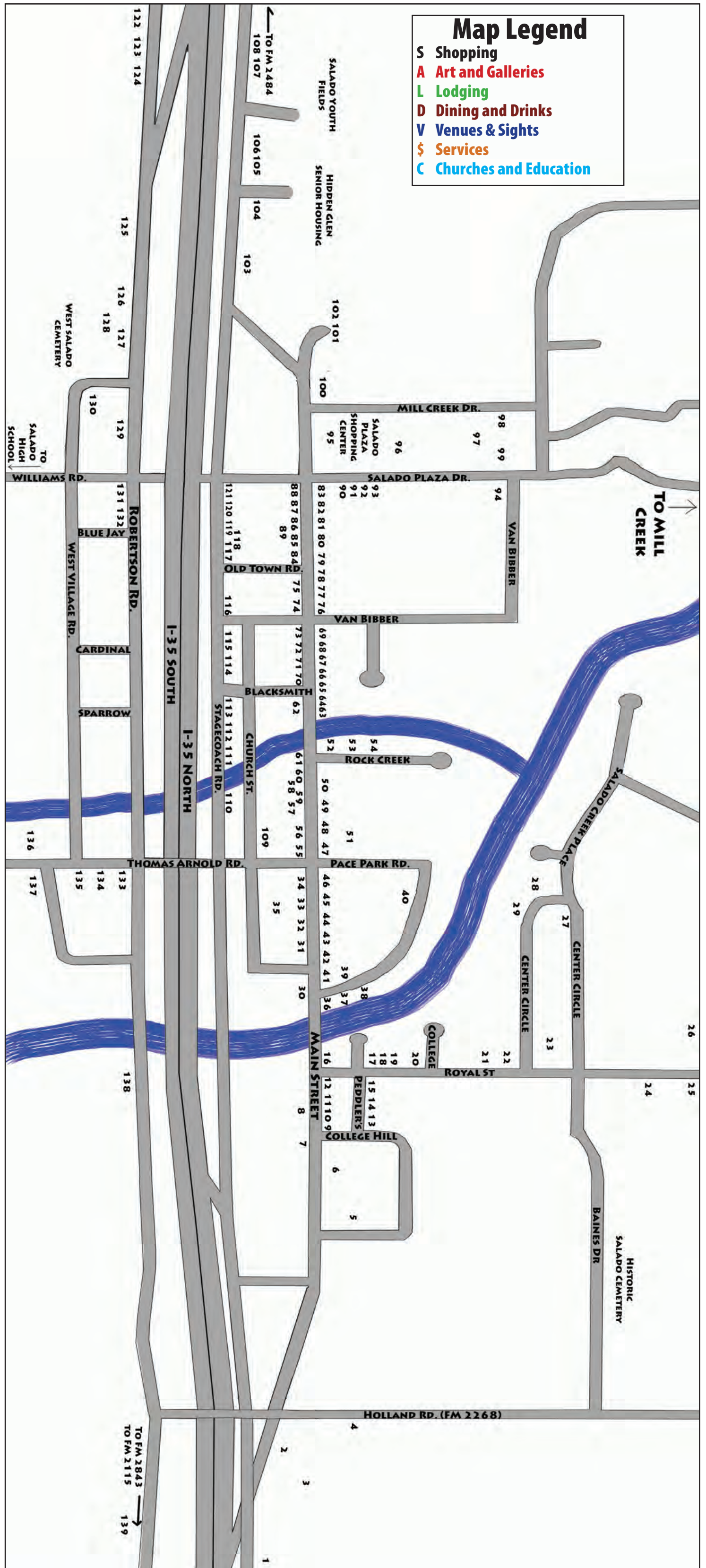



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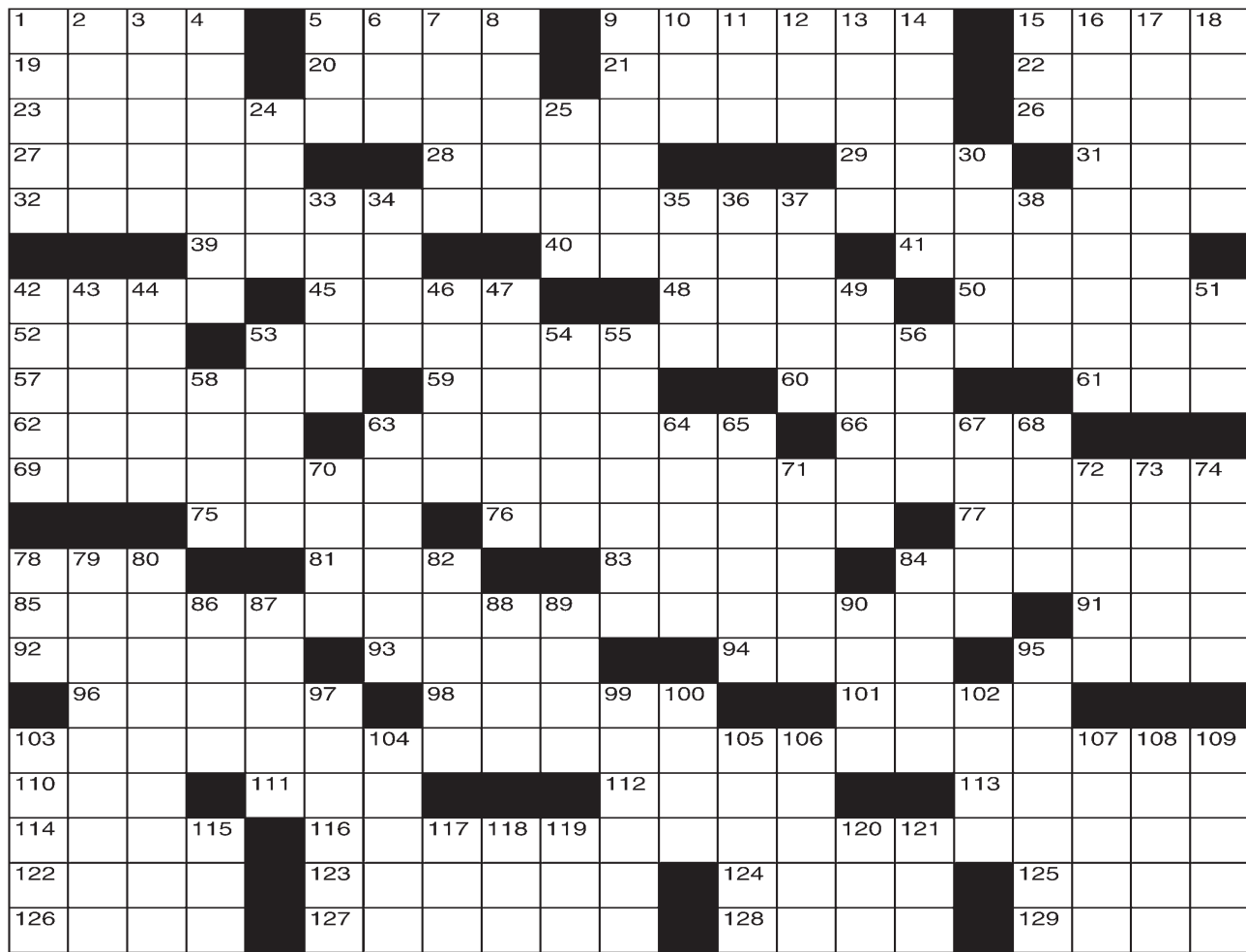
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| 6. Salado Historic College Hill | 25. The A.J. Rose Mansion | 35. Salado Masonic Lodge #296 | 61. Historic Lenticular Bridge |
| 8. Shady Villa Hotel (Stagecoach Inn) | 26. Old Methodist Chapel | 45. The Anderson House | 49. The Vickrey House |
| 8. Main Street Bridge | 27. Caskey-Hendricks House | 46. Old Saloon | 76. Boles-Aiken & Denman Cabins |
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| | 31. The Tyler House | 55. The Armstrong Adams House | |

- ACROSS**
- 1 Livestream annoyances
 - 5 Mark for omission
 - 9 Tennis star Seles
 - 15 Feudal drudge
 - 19 Like — out of hell
 - 20 Special periods
 - 21 Tesla vehicle
 - 22 Court claim
 - 23 THREE OF A KIND
 - 26 Himalayan hoax subject
 - 27 — Lodge (motel chain)
 - 28 British title
 - 29 Yoko who appeared in "Let It Be"
 - 31 Op. — (footnote abbr.)
 - 32 THREE OF A FIND
 - 39 — awkward position
 - 40 Broadcast
 - 41 Severe spasm
 - 42 Chicken, e.g.
 - 45 Destruction
 - 48 Opposite of alway
 - 50 Merits, as an income
 - 52 "Put a sock in it!"
 - 53 THREE OF A HIND
 - 57 Pro at alterations
 - 59 Way out
 - 60 British title
 - 61 Green tract
 - 62 Put lube in
 - 63 Deny, as a statement
 - 66 Blue-skinned race in "Avatar"
 - 69 THREE OF A BIND
 - 75 Wry comic Mort
 - 76 Bitter complainers
 - 77 Troll's cousin
 - 78 Famed coach Parseghian
 - 81 Edmonton's prov.
 - 83 Like boys
 - 84 Certain granola snack
 - 85 THREE OF A WIND
 - 91 Rink star Bobby
 - 92 "Silas Marner" novelist
 - 93 On the cutting edge of art, informally
 - 94 Fluids in blood
 - 95 Car part on a wheel, to Brits
 - 96 Airport town on Long Island's South Shore
 - 98 Bite gently
 - 101 Giddy delight
 - 103 THREE OF A MIND
 - 110 In the past
 - 111 Really strain
 - 112 — -Ball (arcade favorite)
 - 113 Slight ridge on a surface
 - 114 Tiny particle
 - 116 THREE OF A RIND
 - 122 Calf's father
 - 123 More dilettantish
 - 124 Cuisine with many curries
 - 125 Under sail
 - 126 Apple discard
 - 127 Job the reb
 - 128 Desiccated
 - 129 Gen — (millennials)
 - 4 Letter-printing aid
 - 5 "Gloria in Excelsis —" (hymn)
 - 6 Act human, so they say
 - 7 Crust, mantle or core
 - 8 Expository piece
 - 9 Dry red wine
 - 10 Fall mo.
 - 11 In no way
 - 12 Super-cold
 - 13 Dinner chicken
 - 14 "The Human Condition" author
 - 15 CIA figure
 - 16 Concerned with voting
 - 17 Inclination to keep silent
 - 18 Islam, e.g.
 - 24 Hired tough
 - 25 Structured gps.
 - 30 Orangi shade
 - 33 Knightly virtue
 - 34 Slaughter in an outfield
 - 35 Ian Fleming novel
 - 36 Forecaster
 - 37 Water pitchers
 - 38 Part of UAE
 - 42 Aperture setting for a shutterbug
 - 43 Atheist
 - 44 Madalyn Murray —
 - 44 During which
 - 46 Geyser stuff
 - 47 More alluring
 - 49 Signs again, as a contract
 - 51 Jamaican pop genre
 - 53 Orators' platforms
 - 54 Lisa of "Melrose Place"
 - 55 "The hour has arrived"
 - 56 Asia's shrunken — Sea
 - 58 Kinds of bulbs, in brief
 - 63 Big name in polls
 - 64 "Sounds like —!" ("Let's do it!")
 - 65 Gives up
 - 67 Human herbivore
 - 68 "— it rich?"
 - 70 Converse
 - 71 Minoan land
 - 72 N'awlins sub
 - 73 Celebrity astrologer
 - 74 — Haute (Indiana city)
 - 78 Master pilot
 - 79 Eliminating as a possibility
 - 80 Plato's pupil
 - 82 Rodeo ride
 - 84 Dental care brand
 - 86 Mouselike critter
 - 87 Half-cocked
 - 88 Broadcast
 - 89 Hale — (comet)
 - 90 Strong desire
 - 95 Afternoon service salver
 - 97 Public squares
 - 99 Contend
 - 100 Young 'un
 - 102 Irish Gaelic
 - 103 Bard's feat
 - 104 Really strain
 - 105 Boston hoopsters
 - 106 Actress Anne
 - 107 Angelou's "And Still —"
 - 108 S.F. NFLer
 - 109 Epic stories
 - 115 Hardwood tree
 - 117 VW lead-in
 - 118 Carrere of "Rising Sun"
 - 119 — capita
 - 120 Sculling item
 - 121 Contend



Contract Bridge



- 1. TELEVISION:** What is Agent Mulder's nickname on "The X-Files" drama?
- 2. MEASUREMENTS:** How many gallons are in one barrel of oil?
- 3. GAMES:** How much money do you get when you start a board game of "Life"?
- 4. SCIENCE:** When was the sound barrier broken for the first time?
- 5. MOVIES:** What was the name of the whale that swallowed the title character in Disney's "Pinocchio"?
- 6. GEOLOGY:** What is diagenesis?
- 7. GEOGRAPHY:** Which river runs through the Grand Canyon in Arizona?
- 8. U.S. STATES:** How many states did U.S. Route 66 pass through?
- 9. FOOD & DRINK:** Which vegetable has the highest water content?
- 10. MEDICAL:** What is a more common name for the condition called pharyngitis?

Answers

- 1. Spooky
- 2. 42
- 3. \$10,000
- 4. 1947
- 5. Monstro
- 6. The process by which sediment is turned into sedimentary rock
- 7. Colorado River
- 8. Eight (Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona and California)
- 9. Cucumbers (96% water)
- 10. Sore throat

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FAMOUS HAND

West dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

- ♠ K J 5
- ♥ 7
- ♦ A Q 7 4
- ♣ K Q 9 4 2

WEST

- ♠ A 4 3
- ♥ 8 4 3 2
- ♦ K 9 6
- ♣ A 10 7

SOUTH

- ♠ 9 8 2
- ♥ A K Q J 9 6
- ♦ 8
- ♣ J 8 5

EAST

- ♠ Q 10 7 6
- ♥ 10 5
- ♦ J 10 5 3 2
- ♣ 6 3

The bidding:

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

Opening lead — four of spades.

Back in 1935, Ely and Jo Culbertson played a long challenge match against Hal and Dorothy Sims. Although it did not stir up as much public interest as the famous Lenz-Culbertson encounter two years earlier, the match was followed with great interest by most of the faithful in the bridge world.

Sims, a giant of a man with a dominating personality, was one of the

great card players of all time. He had an unerring instinct for good card play that produced the best possible result in virtually every hand.

But in this deal, Sims, South, met his match in the person of the brilliant but shy Jo Culbertson, who chose the four of spades as her opening lead against four hearts!

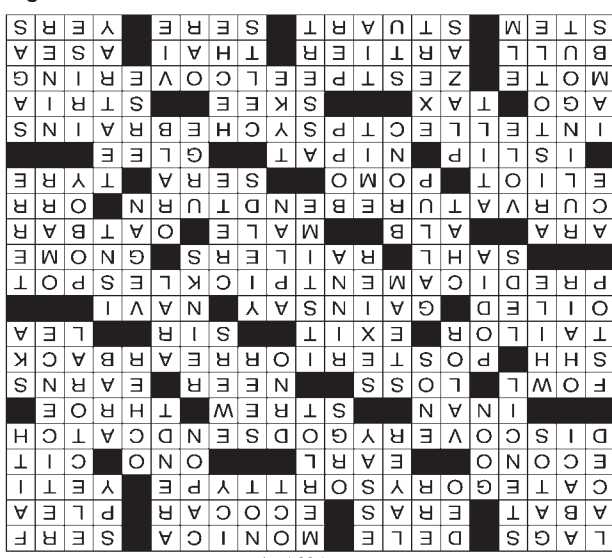
The underlead of an ace against a suit contract is a practice severely frowned upon in expert circles. But Mrs. Culbertson reasoned that Sims' unwillingness to play three notrump stemmed from a weakness in spades and that dummy was correspondingly marked with some spade strength by virtue of her three-notrump bid.

So Jo, taking advantage of what seemed an ideal occasion in view of the bidding, underled the ace of spades. After studying the situation at length, Sims played low from dummy, hoping Mrs. Culbertson had led low from either the ten or the queen, or both. Ely won with the ten and returned a club to his wife's ace, whereupon Jo led a low spade again!

Sims glared at Jo for quite a while before finally deciding she wouldn't dare underlead an ace twice against the likes of himself. Accordingly, he played the jack from dummy. Ely won with the queen and returned a spade to Jo's ace, and a scarlet-faced Sims went down one.

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June 7-August 7

Salado Legends Rehearsals, 7-9 p.m. Tablerock Amphitheater. Thom Wilson, Director, and Beth Correa, assistant director, will take the cast and crew through their paces for the 28th performance of the play that author Jackie Mills penned.

July 1-2

11 a.m. Story Time at the Salado Public Library

July 1

5 p.m. Minute to Win it Games & Prizes ages 7-11 at the Salado Public Library

July 2

Salado Village Artist fundraising garage sale 8 a.m.- 1 p.m. Quality art items and gently used items, jewelry, dishes, books and more. Cash or check only for purchases under \$50. Over \$50, a credit card will be acceptable. The sale will be in the little red building behind Salado civic center at 601 Main St. For more information call Jeanette Dunlop at 254-721-0369.

July 2

6 p.m. Minute to Win It Games for ages 12-17 at the Salado Public Library.

July 2-4

All Day Gourmet food tasting and patriotic fudge, Wild Texas Cowgirl, 642A N. Main St., Blue & White House. Open late Fri & Sat! @WildTexasCowgirl- Google Us!

July 3

Fourth of July Picnic, sponsored by Salado Historical Society, 12 noon, Salado High School cafeteria. Brig. Gen. Jason Walrath will be featured speaker.

July 3

Oak Ridge Boys in concert at Johnny's Outback. Gates open at 6 p.m., advance tickets are \$30, at johnnyssteaksandbbq.com.

July 4

Summer Lecture Series, 2 p.m. Barrow Brewing. The Last Howlelujah: Tails from the Trail with Father William "Bill" Miller.

July 5

Salado Public Library -Closed

July 6

Salado Chamber of Commerce Mixer 6 p.m. at Salado Square, 21 N. Main St.

July 7-9

Storytime. All ages at the Salado Public Library, 11 a.m.

July 8

Clay Day ages 7-11 at 5 p.m. at the Salado Public Library

July 8

Destination-Cuba, Around the World Dinner Series at Alexander's Craft Cocktails & Kitchen, Salado, 6:30 p.m. Five courses paired with drinks, \$84.95 per person. Reserve tickets at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/destination-cuba-around-the-world-dinner-series-tickets-148393124831

July 9

6 pm. After-hours for Teens at the Salado Public Library

July 9

Village Spa Grande Opening and One Year Anniversary, Village Spa, 4:00-6:30 p.m. Village Spa is located at 216 Royal Street

July 10

Community Fireworks show in the field between Salado High School and Salado Middle School on Williams Road. The Mill Creek Country Club is accepting donations to help offset some of the cost. Anyone interested in donating can mail a check (payable to Mill Creek Country Club) to Mill Creek Country Club, P.O. Box 159, Salado, TX 76571.

July 11

Summer Lecture Series, 2 p.m. Barrow Brewing. Singer-Songwriter-Punster and Preacher, Steve Brooks is a charter member of Austin's Wildflower Church.

July 12

Salado Winery book club meets at 7 p.m. at the Winery, 841 N. Main St., I'm Fine and Neither are You by Camille Pagan.

July 12-15

Football Camp 1, incoming second through eighth graders, SHS Stadium, 9 a.m.-12 noon, \$50. Call 254-947-6970 or email alan.haire@saladoisd.org to register.

July 14-16

11 a.m. Storytime at the Salado Public Library, all ages

July 15

5 p.m. Puffy Paint Mini Tote bags ages 7-11 at the Salado Public Library

July 16

6 p.m. After -hours for Teens at the Salado Public Library

July 16

Eagle Air It Out, incoming sixth through eighth graders only, SHS Stadium, 8-10 a.m. \$25. Call 254-947-6970 or email alan.haire@saladoisd.org to register.

July 16

Eagle Lineman Challenge, incoming sixth through eighth graders only, SHS Stadium, 10 a.m.-12 noon. \$25. Call 254-947-6970 or email alan.haire@saladoisd.org to register.

July 18


Summer Lecture Series, 2 p.m. Barrow Brewing. Central historian, environmental designer and former County Commissioner Tim Brown.

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Salado Masonic Lodge #296 presents SISD teachers with Lamar Medals

Salado Masonic Lodge #296 one June 26 honored the three Teachers of the Year from Salado ISD with an awards luncheon, the Lamar Medal for Excellence in Education and \$500 each. Laura Bender.

The ceremony was held in the Salado Civic Center, which stands on land that was donated by the family of William Hamblen, an early day Salado Mason, to build a public school in 1924. The old red school-house served as the single school building for Salado for more than 50 years.

The connection between education in Salado and Salado Masons goes back to the founding of Salado, when local citizens gathered in 1859 to buy stock in a new private college that now stands as a ruins and park following three different fires during its 60 years.

Col. E.S.C. Robertson, who was the first Master of Salado Masonic Lodge in 1867, donated the land on which Salado College was built as well as 100 acres to be sold as lots to raise the money to build the College.

"Masonry has long supported public schools," said Eric Cameron, Master of Salado Lodge. "In the early days, most lodges were two-story buildings. The lodge met on the second floor and encouraged the local churches and schools to meet on the ground floor. Many lodges started public schools themselves in their lodge buildings and paid the teachers' salaries."

Mirabeau B. Lamar, the second president of the Republic of Texas, was a Mason and is known as "the father of the Texas Public School system," because his work resulted in the State of Texas setting up a public school system.

For these reasons, Masonic Lodges across the state give the Mirabeau B. Lamar Medal for Excellence in Education.

"In Salado, we choose to award the Lamar Medal to the Teacher of the Year chosen for each of our Salado campuses," Cameron said.

Laura Bender

Thomas Arnold

Elementary

Teacher of the Year.

Originally from Houston, Texas, Bender moved nine times in 22 years to include Kansas, Kentucky, Florida, Colorado and Texas.

She is married to US Army Colonel Jonathan Bender and they have three daughters attending Salado schools: Grace (a graduating senior), Audrey (incoming Junior), and Rachel (incoming Freshman).

She earned her Bachelor of Science in education from Texas Christian University in 1999.

Her teaching began in Functional Academics special education teacher for students in third through sixth grade. She was a sixth grade inclusion special education co-teacher for two years and served as a long-term substitute teacher in various location and times



Eric Cameron presents Thomas Arnold Elementary school teacher Laura Bender with the Lamar Medal for Excellence in Education on behalf of Salado Masonic Lodge #296. Bender also received a check for \$500. Bender's campus principal Katie Mullins (right) gave remarks about why Bender was named the 2020-2021 Thomas Arnold Elementary Teacher of the Year. (PHOTO BY TIM FLEISCHER)



Eric Cameron presents Salado Middle School teacher Matt Figlestahler with the Lamar Medal for Excellence in Education on behalf of Salado Masonic Lodge #296. Figlestahler also received a check for \$500. His campus principal Ted Smith (right) gave remarks about why "Coach Fig" was named the 2020-2021 Salado Middle School Teacher of the Year. (PHOTO BY TIM FLEISCHER)

as the family moved from station to station. She taught first grade for a year before becoming the fourth grade Math and Science teacher at Thomas Arnold Elementary for the past three years.

She has volunteered in schools as a parents service as a PTO fundraising chairperson for two years, a District Art education chairperson for two years, a Family readiness group leader for the Army for four years and most recently as the PTO class of 2023 co-chairperson.

She says her hobbies are "cheering my children on at their sporting events, hiking with my family and reading."

Matthew Figlestahler Salado Middle School Teacher of the Year

Matthew Figlestahler is a 14 year veteran of teaching/coaching. He earned his degree in English from the University of North Texas in 2007. From 2007-2013, he worked at Harker Heights High School as an English Teacher, Soccer Coach (boys/girls), Track Coach, Head Freshmen Football Coach, and worked with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA). Afterward, Figlestahler moved his family to his former home near Garland, TX - in Plano, TX at John Paul II High School.

This college prep-school was challenging academically and allowed him to further his educational pursuits at the highest level at the secondary level. Figlestahler ended up leading the English department and helping with curriculum at the 9-12 grade levels. He also helped lead the boys soccer team as the Assistant Head Coach to 3 district championships in 4 years and a state semi final, quarter final, and championship appearance in those 4 years.

After those four years, Figlestahler was courted by the prestigious, Episcopal School of Dallas to teach AP English. He exited coaching to focus on this curriculum based endeavor for a year, where he helped create the English curriculum for the 7th - 12th grade. After a year without coaching and a desire to move his family to the alluring, calming, faith-filled town of Salado, TX. He found his opportunity

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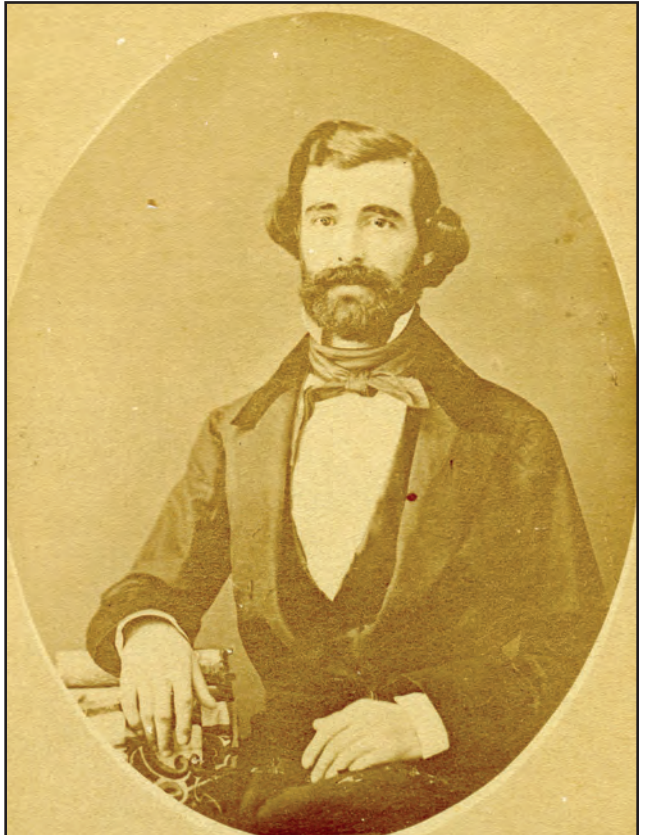
Dr. David Gregg Adams moved into this house at the corner of Main Street and Thomas Arnold in 1871. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Dr. David Gregg Adams was second doctor to live in historic Main St. house

By CAROL WILSON
LOCAL HISTORIAN

The David Gregg “D. G.” Adams family could hardly have been better suited for Salado when the five-member family relocated there from Marlin about 1871. Like so many others, the good doctor and his wife Lola “Lettie” came seeking good educational opportunities for their children but they had much to offer the Village in return.

Long before he arrived in Salado, D. G. Adams had proven himself a valuable Texas pioneer just as his father had done before him. D. G. was born in Missouri in 1827 but his parents, Thomas and Ruth Adams, moved the family to Texas and settled in the Austin area when D. G. was a young boy. Once settled, the Adams family thrived, accumulated a vast amount



A young Dr. David Gregg Adams.
PHOTO COURTESY OF ROY DALE ADAMS

of property.


As a young man D. G. Adams attended medical school at Tulane University in Louisiana before moving to Marlin, Falls County. A bright and enterprising young man, he was soon elected Treasurer of Falls County. By 1859, he was operating a drugstore and serving as postmaster in Marlin.1 When the Civil War broke out Captain Adams was among four leaders in the area who stepped up to muster in and lead a unit of soldiers.

In 1862, Adams, age 35, married Lettie Capps, age 20, the daughter of a local Justice of the Peace named Frank W. Capps. As early as 1870, census records show that the young doctor had


acquired property with an estimated value of \$3,000, a princely sum at that time. In quick succession, the Adams couple added four children to the family. Daughter Maggie, son Jackson and daughter Ruth Eloise “Ella” survived but son David A. Adams did not. He died in 1870 and is buried in Falls County. With the children approaching school age, the following year the Adams family moved to Salado.2

Saladoans know the historic Armstrong/Adams house on Main Street as the dental offices of Dr. Douglas Willingham and as a property with a rather unique history. Almost exclusively over its long life,

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Dr. Adams of Salado

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doctors have comprised the owners of the stone building. The house is named for both Dr. David Hosack Armstrong, the man who built it about 1868, and for the subject of this narrative, the home's second owner Dr. D. G. Adams.³

Although the house was small, particularly by today's standards, Lettie and D. G. often boarded students. A pair of brothers, Wesley and Littleton Talley, boarded in the Adams home and later became sons-in-law when one married Ella and the other married Maggie Adams.

Dr. Adams was a resourceful man. In addition to practicing medicine, he farmed and operated a drugstore in Salado. The drugstore was apparently a popular site. The Salado News-Letter, an early short-lived newspaper in Salado, partnered with doctor Adams to obtain subscribers and advertisers. "Those wishing to insert advertisements in the News-Letter or to subscribe for the same or have job-work done, will please leave their orders at Dr. D. G. Adams' store." E. W. Billings stated in his News-Letter of August 25, 1874. It also contained this brief ad for the store:

Dr. D. G. Adams is constantly receiving additions to his already well-selected stock of pure drugs, paints, oils, etc. Give him a call."

In 1879, when the youngest child in the family was thirteen, Lettie gave birth to her last child, a daughter christened Hattie LaGregg Adams. The older girls, Maggie and Ella, were accomplished students who gave private lessons in music and art in their home in later years. In addition to his business interests D. G. Adams was highly involved in local politics and civic work. In 1880 he was elected treasurer of the local Lodge of Masons. Adams was involved with the local public school and in attempts to secure a railroad stop for Salado. In 1884 he was elected County Commissioner, a distinction that earned him a place on the Bell County Courthouse's cornerstone.

In 1886, Adams was

named the election officer for Salado and in 1895 was named president of the Bell County Chapter of Silverites, a group that lobbied for all money to be made exclusively of gold or silver coin.

By 1900, with the older Adams children married, only Hattie remained with her parents in the stone house on Main. Hattie taught school and never married, moving in later years to Big Spring, Texas. Ella's husband, Wesley Talley, operated a grocery store in Salado and D. G., otherwise retired, helped out in the store.

On July 17, 1907, Dr. Adams died at age 81. Under the caption "Another Old-Timer Gone", the Bartlett Tribune characterized Adams as a highly respect man who was held in esteem by all of knew him. While preparing for his funeral, which was carried out by his Masonic friends, Lettie was so overcome with grief that she fell into a faint from which she did not awake. The funeral was delayed one day so that the couple could be buried together and they were laid to rest in Temple.

In 1910, the heirs of the estate sold the old Adams homestead to Doctor Ira A. Griffin. It is fitting that the Adams's name be associated with the stone house on Salado's Main Street because the family owned it for thirty-eight years and was an exemplary family.

Members of the David Gregg Adams family are worthy candidates for recognition as Salado pioneers.

1. Adams's ownership of a drugstore in Marlin is inferred. An advertisement for liniment sold by Dr. D. G. Adams in Marlin in a newspaper of 1859 is a strong clue that he operated a drugstore there, as is his subsequent ownership of a drugstore in Salado. His status as postmaster is also a clue, as many early post offices were located in stores.

2. In her book, Salado, Its History and Its People, Fel-da Shanklin puts the year of the Adams family's move to Salado at 1871. They purchased their Salado home in 1872.



Dr. David Gregg Adams
Photo courtesy



Lettie Capps Adams
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3. There exists a mystery small to meet their needs as the household included eight children as well as Dr. Armstrong's mother-in-law and father-in-law. But this begs the question why the Armstrongs did not enlarge the property, and a larger question of where (in Salado) the Armstrong family lived between 1872 and 1900.

Lamar Medal

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and pounced on it. In the three years at Salado Middle School he has pioneered a Journalism class & raised the level of rigor for all his students. He also received the Assistant Coach of the year award twice while in Salado.

LAURA STANCZAK
SALADO HIGH SCHOOL
TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Laura Stanczak has been teaching for 21 years; the last seven at Salado High School. She has spent most of her career as a family consumer science teacher but has also worked in special education. Laura is married and has two children. Her husband, Drake, is a retired teacher and coach. Laura and Drake have lived in the Salado area for the past 22 years and plan on staying in the area during retirement. Laura has worked at Florence High School and Killeen Shoemaker, but her favorite memories come from Salado ISD. She is retiring from Salado with a grateful heart for the opportunity to work in such a fine district with wonderful teacher and administrators, and the best kids in Texas.



Eric Cameron presents Salado High School teacher Laura Stanczak with the Lamar Medal for Excellence in Education on behalf of Salado Masonic Lodge #296. Stanczak also received a check for \$500. Her former campus principal Dr. Beth Aycock (right) gave remarks about why Stanczak was named the 2020-2021 Salado High School Teacher of the Year. (PHOTO BY TIM FLEISCHER)

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Salado High School won UIL Lone Star Cups in 2008, 2012, and 2013. Only 42 of the 1,317 high schools in Texas have ever won a UIL Lone Star Cup. Only 10 high schools have won more UIL Lone Star Cups than Salado.

The UIL publicizes five score and ranking updates each year after specific activities are completed.

Since the last update on May 28, Salado High School earned 2 points in baseball, 4 points in softball, and 14 points in academics.

We earned a total of 72.67 points and we finished #8 out of the 206 high schools at the 4A level in Texas.

Here is a list of all of the activities in which we

Superintendent's Corner

by Dr. Michael Novotny



earned points this past school year:

Boys' track = 0.67 point for a three-way tie for fifth place team in the state track meet

Baseball = 2 points for qualifying for playoffs

Girls' golf = 2 points for fifth place team in the state golf tournament

Congressional debate = 3 points for winning the state championship

Volleyball = 2 points for qualifying for playoffs and 2 points for winning the bi-district round of playoffs = 4 points total

Softball = 2 points for qualifying for playoffs, 2 points for winning the bi-district championship = 4 points total

Girls' basketball = 2 points for qualifying for playoffs, 2 points for winning the district championship, and 2 points for winning the bi-district round of playoffs = 6 points total

Boys' basketball = 2 points for qualifying for playoffs, 2 points for winning the district championship, and 2 points for winning the bi-district round of playoffs = 6 points total

Football = 2 points for qualifying for playoffs. 2

points for winning the district championship, 2 points for winning the bi-district round of playoffs, and 2 points for winning the area round of playoffs = 8 points total

Boys' soccer = 2 points for qualifying for playoffs, 2 points for winning the district championship, 2 points for winning the bi-district round of playoffs, and 2 points for winning the areas round of playoffs = 8 points total

Girls' soccer = 2 points for qualifying for the playoffs, 2 points for winning the district championship, 2 points for winning the bi-district round of playoffs, 2 points for winning the regional quarterfinal round of playoffs, 2 points for winning the regional semifinal round of playoffs, and 2 points for winning the regional final round of playoffs = 14 points total

Academics = 4 points for winning the district championship, 4 points for winning the regional championship, and 6 points for third place team in the state academic meet = 14 points total



Green Bridge Garden

Thanks to community support the renovation of the Garden at Dodd's Creek, known as the Green Bridge, is complete. A beautiful assortment of native plants has been planted to complement the plants that survived Main Street renovation and the February freeze, and an irrigation system is in place to ensure that they become well established. Plant markers identify each species and people are encouraged to look for the plant links on the KSB website www.keepsaladobeautiful.com to learn more about each plant and how to use native plants in their landscape. A Midtown Merchants group will provide funds to help maintain the garden.

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Above, Regina Coleman and Susan Terry place identification signs in the garden at the Walking Bridge.



At left, Laura DeMello and Randine Bickel place identification signs for native plants in the Walking Bridge garden.

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Harvested watermelons, one cut in half and the red meat showing

Three tips to pick out a sweet watermelon A ripe watermelon can be a mouthwatering juicy

WRITTEN BY MARY-LEIGH MEYER

A good watermelon is a staple, healthy summer snack, so it is important to know how to pick one, regardless if you are at the grocery store or the local farmers market.

Red cut watermelon on a pile of ripe watermelons in a field.

When it comes time to pick the perfect melon, people often make their selection based on three characteristics: presence of seeds or lack thereof, size and ripeness.

Determining ripeness requires some knowledge; how can you pick a ripe watermelon?

Sweetness is off the charts this summer

Typically, a producer measures the sweetness of a watermelon by their Brix count, a way to measure sweetness. On this scale, measurements of 10 are standard and measurements

of 11 are considered very sweet.

According to Juan An-ciso, Ph.D., a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service vegetable specialist in Weslaco and professor with the Texas A&M College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, this year's Brix count measures watermelon sweetness, especially those from the Rio Grande Valley, off the charts between 11 and 13.

However, just because this year's crop of watermelons is a higher quality, it does not mean the melon you pick will be the best of the bunch. The following three tips will teach you how to pick the best watermelon.

Tip 1: Find the yellow belly, or the field spot

Other than cutting open a watermelon to see the inside, the field spot is perhaps the best indicator of the ripeness. This spot on a

melon shows where it was laying on the ground while attached to the vine.

If the watermelon is ripe, the field spot should be a large, yellow patch on one side of the melon. If it is ripe, the color should be a creamy, almost butter-like yellow. The bigger the yellow belly and the creamier the color means the more time the melon spent ripening on the vine. However, if the spot is smaller or looks more white than yellow, then the melon may not be as ripe.

Tip 2: Tap the underbelly and listen for a deep sound

Another way to find a ripe watermelon is to lightly knock the outside with your knuckles. A ripe melon will have a deeper sound, as opposed to an over-ripe one that will have a more hollow or flat sound. A duller, more hollow sound can mean the flesh is starting to go soft

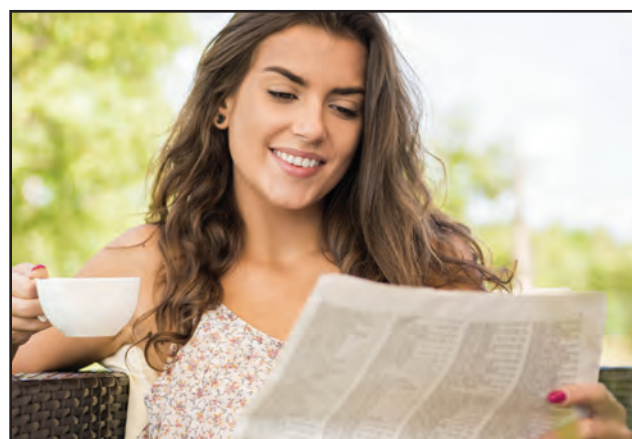
and spoil.

Tip 3: Look for a dull and heavy watermelon

Although it may not be the most photogenic nor the easiest to carry to your car, the best watermelons will be dull in appearance and heavier than the rest. A shiny melon indicates the insides are under ripe.

Also, the best melon of the bunch will most likely be heavier than the rest. On average, a watermelon is 92% water, which makes them so juicy. A heavier melon likely holds more water, which will make it juicier.

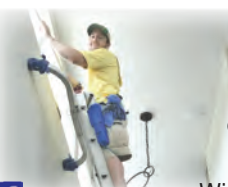
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Salado Police Department Report June 21-27, 2021

Between June 21st to June 27th, 2021, Salado Police Officers responded to the following calls in which offense or incident reported were taken:

OFFENSE/INCIDENT REPORTS:

06/25/2021:

A report of an assault that occurred on June 24th, 2021 in the 1500 block of Oak Park Lane. An investigation was conducted and a warrant was obtained for the suspect in this case.

A report of reckless damage was taken in the 900 block of N Main St. The complainant stated that another operator of a vehicle hit his vehicle with the driver's door. The other driver was later identified and they agreed to settle the case civilly with their insurance companies.

Chief's Notes:
Please be safe this weekend during the 4th

of July celebrations. As a reminder it is against the law to shoot off fireworks in the village.

Salado Police Officers handled the many

other calls for service in which a report was not required. Below is a breakdown of those calls:

Call Type Description	Number of Calls
Alarm Business	1
Alarm Residential	1
Animal Complaint	4
Assist Another Agency	3
Calls for Service	37
Citations	32
Citizen Contact	1
Civil Matter	1
Criminal Mischief	1
Criminal Trespass	1
Disturbance	1
Fire	1
House Watch/RU OK?	72
Loud Noise/Music	2
Open Door	2
Public Service	3
Reckless Driving	1
Suspicious Circumstances/Persons	3
Traffic Hazard	2
Welfare Concern	5

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Date	Address	Incident Type
06/20/2021	QUAIL RIDGE RD, Bell County	Dispatched & Cancelled en route
06/20/2021	IH 35 SERVICE RD, Bell County	No Incident Found
06/20/2021	SAINT MATTHEW ST, Bell County	Sick Person
06/20/2021	WHISPERING OAKS DR, Bell County	Chest Pains
06/21/2021	CHISHOLM TRL, Salado	Chest Pains
06/21/2021	INTERSTATE 35, Bell County	No Incident Found
06/21/2021	INTERSTATE 35, Bell County	Motor Vehicle Accident
06/22/2021	HIGHLAND DR, Bell County	Sick Person
06/22/2021	INTERSTATE 35, Belton	Motor Vehicle Accident with Injuries
06/22/2021	IH 35 SERVICE RD, Bell County	Chest Pains
06/22/2021	LORLI LN, Bell County	Sick Person
06/23/2021	MAIN ST, Salado	Traumatic Injuries
06/24/2021	FM 2484, Bell County	Allergic Reaction - Wasp Stings
06/24/2021	INTERSTATE 35, Salado	PD Assist
06/25/2021	INTERSTATE 35, Salado	Grass Fire
06/25/2021	ANDRE LOOP, Bell County	Sick Person
06/26/2021	MAIN ST, Salado	Fire Alarm
06/26/2021	FM 2484, Bell County	Unknown Status - Man Down

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