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Salado could annex 64 acres of mixed use development

Village to continue negotiating with Salado Center

By TIM FLEISCHER EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Salado aldermen directed village administrator Don Ferguson and Mayor Michael Coggin to continue negotiations with CELTS International, LLC and Pampa Investment Group to bring in the 64-acre property known as Salado Center into the Village and take over ownership of the 50,000 gallon per day wastewater treatment plant.

"We've been in conversations for over a year and a half," Ferguson told aldermen. He added that the property is one of the biggest intersections on I-35 "for miles and miles that has not been developed yet." Traffic counts at the intersection of FM 2484 and I-35 are at 30,000 cars per day. The property has not been platted yet, "which is a concern of ours because we don't know what is going on in there."

However, Mayor Coggin

released a drawing of the property by Land Strategies Inc. that show the development broken down into four blocks.

Block A at the southeast corner of the property has three lots to house a fast food restaurant, a dine-in restaurant and a convenient store with 16 gasoline pumps.

Block B at the southwest corner of the property has six lots on it for a bank, two office retail lots, a pharmacy and two other retail lots.

Block C at the northwest corner of the property has three lots, two for retail buildings and a condominium development (sitting on 7.6 acres.

Block D along the southbound access road of I-35 has three lots for a 144 room hotel and two dine in restau-

Block E at the northeast corner of the property has three lots, two for fast SEE SALADO CENTER, PAGE 3A



Land Strategies Inc. drawing of Salado Center, on 64 acres at the corner of FM 2484 and I-35. The Village is negotiating with the developers to bring the property within the Village limits, along with the 50,000 gallon per day wastewater treatment plant.

Essential workers

Dillard Sisters perform July 24 as part of Museum exhibit on Women & Aviation in WWII

Salado Museum and College Park is hosting the historical exhibit Essential Workers: Women, Aviation and World War II" July 5 through August 26 which tells the story of the women who came forward to meet the demand on the home

As part of the multi-week exhibit, Salado Museum will host The Dillard Sisters for a special performance during a gathering 1 p.m. July 24 in the museum.

The Dillard Sisters, heralding from San Antonio, sing in the 1940's style of the Andrew Sisters trio and with their natural and nostalgic form can truly be described as "the girls next door." With a long history of singing together, Katie, Jeanette and Elizabeth have enjoyed the opportunity to honor veterans and their families at local Honor's Flights, nursing homes, and the living history program at the Nimitz Museum of the Pacific War in Fredericksburg.

The exhibit honors the dedication and sacrifice of the women essential to the American War Effort during World War II featuring Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASPs), Rosie the Riveters, home front workers and famous aviatrixes Jackie Cochran and Salado's

While thousands of men were fighting for their country, the people back home were engaged in an extensive war effort of their own. Among them, the American women who worked in defense industries, joined the military, and completed countless other tasks to move the Allies closer to

In many cases, they made these contributions while meeting family obligations at home.

Jackie Cochran was a pioneer in women's aviation. She was the first woman to break the sound barrier. Cochran was the head of the WASPs during WWII.



The Dillard Sisters will perform songs that were popular in World War II at 1 p.nm. July 24 at Salado Museum. The performance is part of the special exhibit "Essential Workers: Women, Aviation and World War II," both of which are free to the public.

Bell ESD proposes \$1.17 mil budget, sets dates for hearings

Editor-in-Chief

County Emergency Services District #1 (BCESD#1) commissioners have proposed a \$1.17 million budget for 2021-22 and a property tax rate of \$0.09 per \$100 valuation.

The board will conduct public hearings on the proposed budget and proposed tax rate at 6 p.m. Aug. 17 and 1 p.m. Aug. 19, after which they will adopt a budget and

The proposed \$1.17 million budget will fund a \$550,000 annual contract with the Salado Volunteer Fire Department to provide emergency response services. It also dedicates \$440,000 for capital expenditures for the department.

Salado VFD, as part of the budgeting process, developed a strategic and needs assessment of emergency services for the district. In that assessment, it outlined 11 areas of need: administrative organization;

part-time staffing; apparatus replacement and acquisition: facilities; volunteer stipend/ benefits; technological upgrades; standard operating procedures implementation; training; emergency medical equipment; emergency preparedness; preplan and inspection services; and community risk reduction and public education.

The plan calls for a fulltime fire chief to administer the organization. The plan also calls for hiring at least two part-time firefighters/EMTs. The department calls for a total of \$247,000 in human resource costs: \$100,000 for part-time employees; \$70,000 for fulltime chief; \$40,000 in stipends to volunteers; \$17,000 in payroll taxes and \$20,000 in training.

Cost of supplies totals \$205,000: \$50,000 for fleet fuel and maintenance/repairs/\$100,000 for emergency equipment and supplies; \$35,000 for bunker gear for part-time staff and \$20,000 for facility operations.

\$120,000 in services expenses: \$25,000 for maintenance contracts and inspections; \$10,000 for dues and subscriptions; \$10,000 for grants; \$45,000 for insurance; \$20,000 for utilities and \$10,000 for fire preven-

The original proposal included \$540,000 for capital acquisitions, but \$100,000 for the purchase of land for a new station was trimmed. The department recommends either the outright purchase of a vacuum tanker for \$440,000 or down payments of \$220,000 each for a new vacuum tanker and a new pumper with annual payments of \$90,000 in following years through lease purchase agreements.

In addition to \$550,000 for maintenance and operations and \$440,000 in capital expenditures, the proposed budget includes \$43,600 for miscellaneous ESD costs: \$2,800 for board training, \$2,400 for office utilities; \$7,000 for BellCAD

costs; \$15,000 for legal fees, \$1,500 for accounting services: \$600 for software. \$200 for offices supplies: \$200 for postage, \$2,400 for legal notices, \$4,000 for election expenses, \$1,500 for bonding board members; \$6,000 for other expenses; and \$3,000 for equipment. The proposed budget will also repay \$15,000 in legal expenses incurred in the current year to set up the district.

According to the proposed budget, the district will end the year with \$118,400.

The Salado VFD assessed the condition of fire department fleet and estimated costs of replacing outof-age vehicles.

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) recommends that apparatus older than 15 years "that have been properly maintained and that are still in serviceable condition be placed in reserve status and upgraded "to incorporate as SEE FIRE DEPT., PAGE 3A

Bell Co. Health changes Covid-19 **Threat Level**

The Bell County Public Health District (BCPHD) announced July 16 that the county's Covid-19 Threat Level had been moved from Level 4 (Minimal, Controlled Transmission) to Level 3 (Moderate, Controlled Transmission) due to continued increase in incidence

"We saw a slight increase, which seemed to be related

to an isolated event upon investigation," Interim Health District Director Nikki Morrow said. "However, the number of new cases coming in each day closer to the end of the week showed a continuous increase."

The Health District and local healthcare leaders are continuing to monitor the incidence rate and hospitaliza-

Works starts July 26 on Salado Plaza Dr.

The Village of Salado the duration of any closure is preparing to reconstruct Salado Plaza Drive. Work is scheduled to begin the week of July 26.

During construction, it will be necessary to partially close portions of Salado Plaza Drive to through traffic due to safety concerns. Every effort will be made to ensure affected property owners can gain access to their property during the

closures, while minimizing

and the associated inconvenience.

The work on Salado Plaza Drive is expected to be completed within 90 days. normal work hours will be 7 a.m.-6 p.m. weekdays.

The contractor is RT Schneider of Belton. The project cost is \$365,000.

If you have any problems or questions, contact Don Ferguson at 254.947.5060 or via dferguson@saladotx.gov.

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June CPI increase of 5.4% causes slide in stock values

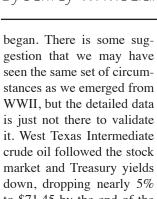
The Markets

Our old marker, the S&P 500 Stock Index (SPX) got into a bit of a fear-fit for the week ending on July 16. After making a run at the 4400 mark on Wednesday morning, it sagged for the rest of the week to close at 4327.16, down 0.98% for the week but still up over 15% year-to-date. The market news headlines and stories credited the decline to a weakening of consumer sentiment. If that was so, then the stock market is indeed prescient, as the decline began on Wednesday, but the consumer sentiment report was not released until Friday morning. It looks to us to be another case of general fear of the Fed moving too soon to cut off inflation. with the consumer sentiment index as a justification for selling after the fact. The CRSP Mid-Cap Value Index took a bit of a swoon, dropping 2.26% for the week, closing at 2387.48, remaining up 16.3% for the year. Bull markets climb a wall of worry and there is a fair

amount of wall there. In an odd reversal of the stock market's sentiment, the yield on the 10-year U.S. Treasury note fell nearly 5% to 1.294%. The oddity is that the supposed reason for the stock market decline was fear of inflation-related interest rate increases, but short to intermediate-term interest rates declined with stocks, suggesting the bond market anticipates lower inflation and rates lie ahead. No small number of words and pages have been devoted to this conundrum recently. The strongest evidence appears to continue to point at a lot of international buyers for U.S. Treasuries but only a very limited supply of new debt from the Treasury as it continues to draw on its deposit reserves at the Fed. Like almost everything else in this recovery and expansion, it is quite literally different from any we have seen before since detailed record keeping

Market & Economic Update

By Jeffrey W. McClure



is just not there to validate it. West Texas Intermediate crude oil followed the stock market and Treasury yields down, dropping nearly 5% to \$71.45 by the end of the week. The reason here was clearer, OPEC reached an agreement to increase oil supply, and, at the same time, the dollar strengthened, lowering the dollar price of global oil.

The Economy

There was no question about the week's economic headline as the Labor Department released June's Consumer Price Index (CPI). The one-year increase in the general cost of living by that standard, has risen a whopping 5.4%. It was no coincidence that the release of that report coincided with the beginning of this week's slide in stock values. Even after adjusting for the volatile food and fuel numbers, it was up 4.5%. As usual, looking a little deeper into the numbers changes the impression though. The average increase in used car and light truck prices wound up being a full one-third of the total and has risen an astounding 45% in the last twelve months, so that unless someone is buying a used car, the real inflation rate was a nice, even 3% year over year. The used car average price leapt 10.5% just in the last month. Once again, the culprit was the shortage of computer chips that has forced a dramatic reduction in production of new cars. Another factor was the sudden surge in demand for services like airline tickrant meals. Just before the Labor Department's bombshell report, Fed Chairman Powell testified for two days before congressional committees and assured that the price increases were, as he has said before, "transitory." On Friday, the consumer weighed in as the University of Michigan sentiment index decreased from last month's 85.5 to 80.8, and the decline was based on inflation fear. According to the survey, consumers expect 4.8% inflation over the next year and a 2.9% average over the next ten years. The survey suggested that consumers were balking at new, high dollar purchases in the face of increasing prices.

ets, hotel rooms, and restau-

Meanwhile, second quarter corporate earnings have started coming in well above expectations, JP Morgan's Jamie Dimon claimed the U.S. consumer was just getting started and had a lot of buying yet to do, retail consumer spending rose at an annual rate of 7.2% in June, and industrial production rose at a 4.8% rate, held back by that pesky chip shortage stunting auto production. Showing just how transitory such things can be, lumber prices fell back to normal. New unemployment claims fell to 360,000, the lowest since the pandemic started.

Despite the fear-inducing one year CPI number, the U.S. economy is still revving up but is limited by supply shortages and bottlenecks. We are still of the opinion that this surge in prices is indeed transitory, and the U.S. economic expansion is in good health and has a lot further to run.

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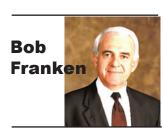
Trump Trumps Biden

When talking to FOX News Sunday about the deadly Jan. 6 U.S. Capitol invasion, former President Donald Trump described the participants this way: "These were peaceful people; these were great people."

Now, I'm as guilty as the rest of my reporter tribe in that I give former President Donald Trump far too much attention and what's his name far too little. That interview snippet demonstrates all too well what Trump knows: "There's no such thing as bad publicity." The guy has had a lifetime of bad publicity, the kind that only a bigoted, ignorant, con man demagogue can have. And he became president of the United States.

But in the media, that repulsiveness trumps Joe Biden's competence every time. Ho hum. This is particularly true because Trump never ceases to show his brazenness, starting and ending with the "big lie" that he actually won the 2020 presidential election when he decisively lost. That whopper resulted in a mob going wild at the Capitol, where several died, and likely hundreds of his base will serve serious prison time for participating.

Meanwhile, Uncle Joe just rolls along, rescuing us from a pandemic and righting all the wrongs that Trump somehow got the millions of people in his base to blindly accept, probably because he pushed their xenophobia buttons. But Joe gets the short end of the stick



Why? A pro-Biden PAC memorandum argues, "Democrats must communicate much more aggressively." That's not it. Democrats could hold their breath until they turn blue and they still wouldn't match the redfaced Donald Trump, who never heard a fact that he couldn't turn into fiction. Match that up against good old man river Joe Biden, who just keeps rolling along as he has for an eternity in Washington, which is what he brags about.

Experience is a wonderful thing. It's what gets the job done in the long run, but that's not the point. It's a long run, a tortoise-and-thehare kinda thing. There's no sparkle compared with the rush that comes from brash buffoonery. And those of us in media are attracted to brash buffoonery.

There is a danger in being the guy who relies on the message of steadiness. Because if something goes dreadfully wrong -- say, after the decision to withdraw from Afghanistan, the Taliban takes over with little resistance (and that's a "when" not an "if"), there will be second-guessers crawling out of the woodwork; Trump and others loudly proclaiming, "I told you so," no matter what they actually said -- then your conclusion will be thrown in your face. The same reaction will happen the next time you utter one of your world-famous gaffes, even if it's something trivial. Count on everyone, and I mean everyone, musing publicly about how addled you are, even though your main enemy was addled from the day he was born.

And what do you call your Republican adversaries? They are either wild conspiracy theorists or calculated political robots that exploit the fact that their million-person base is made up of citizens whose befuddlement is targeted because they don't know what to believe anymore. That's because "lying politician" is a redundancy.

So that's our dilemma. I'm asking for sympathy for us soulless souls in the media. We'd love to cover substance and issues and stuff like that, but we'd be talking to ourselves. Besides, our bosses, who answer to money-grubbing corporations, watch ratings and circulation figures very nervously and will get rid of us relics and go for the young sensation, who's cheaper anyway. So those of us who can comply, and learn what the hell search engine optimization is, comprehend very quickly that Donald Trump drives traffic, and Joe Biden does not. So blame it all on the tyranny of algorithms. And us.

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Joe Biden's Afghan Withdrawal Folly

Barely a day passes without additional news of Taliban gains in Afghani-

Perhaps the Afghan government and its forces will prove more resilient than many expect, but if the country continues its slide toward chaos or, worse, the Taliban rapidly take Kabul, President Joe Biden's decision to withdraw a residual U.S. force will look like an amateurish, unforced error by a man who prides himself on his foreign policy experience and acumen.

With his top military leadership opposed and credible warnings that Kabul could fall within months after a withdrawal, Biden went ahead with it anyway on the basis of what an aide has called "his gut."

So far, indications are that the president would have been better off heeding his military advisers than his viscera.

The Afghan war has, of course, stretched on for two decades and become a holding action satisfying to no one. But the cost to the U.S. of sustaining 3,500 troops in the country without losing anyone in combat for more than a year hasn't been high compared with the entirely plausible downside of Islamist extremists allied with al-Qaeda sweeping to power again in Afghanistan.

The desire to pull out of Afghanistan has been an area of rare Biden-Trump agreement. Then-President Donald Trump's foolhardy ceasefire deal with the Taliban in February 2020 set the predicate for Biden's withdrawal. It would have





taken some determination for Biden to reverse the U.S. promise in that deal to withdraw its forces by May 2021, although the Taliban's transparent bad faith provided plenty of occasion for it.

Biden says not to worry. The U.S. will continue to provide "over the horizon" support, i.e., from a distance, for the Afghan government.

This is likely a pipe dream, and nothing about Biden's poorly thought-out drawdown lends any more credibility to it.

The CIA has been struggling to figure out how to maintain intelligence-gathering capabilities in Afghanistan. There will be no targets to strike from "over the horizon" if we don't have the assets on the ground to find them.

Ideally, the U.S. would locate some other base next door to Afghanistan, but there are no good options in the neighborhood.

Conducting operations from the Persian Gulf eight hours away isn't much of a substitute. In congressional testimony, Gen. Kenneth McKenzie, the head of Central Command, said the long-distance missions would be "extremely difficult to do," but "not impossible."

The U.S. withdrawal has had other troubling loose ends.

ds. The contractors who have worked with the Afghan Air Force to maintain its planes are leaving, too, potentially stripping Afghan forces of air support.

The fate of the Afghans who have assisted U.S. forces is uncertain, although under political pressure here at home, Biden has committed to getting them out.

Biden wants to provide \$3 billion in security assistance to the Afghans, but who will do the training with that money?

The allies are leaving, with the administration anxious to get the Turks to stay to secure Kabul International Airport, without which we won't be able to maintain our embassy.

As the bad news has piled up, the Biden administration has tried to provide reassuring signals. But are the Afghans, and the Taliban, not supposed to notice that nearly all of his forces have already withdrawn?

One justification for leaving is that it will free up resources for us to concentrate on the growing threat from China. It's not as though the 3,000 ground troops are going to relocate to East Asia, though, and make a difference in the balance of power there. On top of this, if there is an unraveling in Afghanistan, controlling the fallout will become a consuming issue for the U.S. military.

Biden has gotten his drawdown. Now, he may reap the whirlwind.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review. (c) 2021 by King Features Synd.,



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Plays return to Palace

The Georgetown Palace Theater has added a Thursday July 29 performance of Mamma Mia to the run which will end on Aug. 8. Tickets are available for the remaining performances of this hit Broadway play that will take the Spring Stage.

On the Playhouse Stage, Boeing, Boeing will run July 23-Aug. 22.

Boeing, In Boeing, Bachelor Bernard has a flat in Paris and three attractive flight attendants all engaged to him but they don't know about each other. Bernard's life gets bumpy when all three flight attendants are in the city simultaneously and lies to tell to whom, and catastrophe and hilarity looms.

The Marvelous Wonderettes will take the Spring Stage Aug. 20-Sept. 20. This smash Off-Broadway hit takes you to the 1958 Springfield High School prom, where we meet Betty Jean, Cindy Lou, Missy, and Suzy: four girls with hopes and dreams as big as their crinoline skirts! As we learn about their lives and loves, the girls serenade us with classic '50s hits including "Lollipop," "Dream Lover," "Stupid Cupid," and "Lipstick on Your Collar." In Act II, the Wonderettes

timid Robert forgets which reunite to take the stage and perform at their ten-year reunion. We learn about the highs and lows the girls have experienced in the past decade and are charmed to find that no matter what life throws their way, they will conquer it together. Featuring over 30 classic '50s and '60s hits, The Marvelous Wonderettes will keep you smiling in this musical trip down memory lane!

To order tickets, call the Box Office at 512-869-SHOW (7469). The Box Office is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Friday. The Palace Theater is at 810 S. Austin Ave.

Salado Center-

food restaurants and one for multi-family development on 15.18 acres.

Block F in the central section of the property serves as 7+ acres of greenbelt with a seasonal creek running through it.

The drawing, dated Aug. 26, 2020, adds some features that were not outlined in the draft Economic Development document, the development of the Salado Center Project will include a convenience store, seven fast food restaurants, two sit-down restaurants, one medical clinic/office building, one senior housing complex, one large retail store along with additional smaller retail space.

Ferguson said that the development will resemble Wolf Ranch at Georgetown.

Aldermen asked whether annexing this property would allow the Village to bring sewer and annex the hotels on the east side of

Ferguson said that the cost of boring under the highway would make that

too prohibitive. "We will have to go up that side of the interstate to reach them," he

Ferguson added that the process to get "a permit for that type of plant on the west side would be challenging. The benefit is to have that plant in place. It falls into the game plan of eventually setting up a program of treating sewer customers on the west side of I-35 with a plant on the west side and treating sewer customers on the east side with the existing plant we have."

The current plant owned by the Village can treat up to 200,000 GPD. It is permitted to expand to 300,000 GPD. That translates to 2,000 Living Unit Equivalents (LUE) at current capacity and 3,000 at maximum permitted capacity.

The current plant, at last report, is at less than 15 % capacity.

The treatment plant at Salado Center is 50,000 GPD. It is permitted for expansion to 200,000 GPD.

"We still owe on our ex-

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isting one," alderman Jasen Graham said. "We are looking at this one getting paid off in 2035." Graham asked how the Village would pay the \$5.5 million for the Salado Center treatment plant.

"If revenue stream is there, you would use a revenue bond to pay it off," Ferguson said. "Debt would be serviced through the revenues and not put on the taxpayer."

Ferguson said that impact fees collected from other customers would also retire debt.

According to the financial statements for October 2020 through June 2021, the Village has collected \$14,222.34 in impact fees. The financial statements show that the wastewater fund Profit & Loss shows \$293,533.61 in expenses (including \$37,382.92 in engineering fees, \$68,225.02 in repairs, \$51,784.89 in utilities and \$134,110 for contracted maintenance and total income of \$146,912.18 for a loss of \$146,621.43.

Happy 70th Wedding Anniversary! Jackie and Denver Mills

High school sweethearts, Jackie and Denver Mills began their 70 years of marriage on July 27, 1951, in Chandler, Arizona. It rained cats and dogs on their wedding day, and according to folklore, rain on your wedding day signifies many blessings.

Together, they have built a rich life that started without money or a place to live. They had to figure that out quickly when Denver returned from his Air Force leave with a new bride to Topeka, Kansas, where he was stationed at Forbes AFB. After his discharge, the couple was off to The University of Texas at Austin, where Denver earned a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering in 1957, with Jackie working to support them and the help of the GI Bill.

They lived for 25 years in North Richland Hills, a suburb of Fort Worth, where they reared two daughters, Nancy and Susan. Jackie supported Denver's career in the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, and after he retired in 1986, they moved to Salado, where Jackie found her calling as a playwright. She wrote Salado Legends, and with Denver's support, turned Tablerock Festival of Salado, Inc. into a successful, enduring concern.

Jackie and Denver have been a blessing to each other, their family (including 7 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren), and many friends. Their union also has rained blessings on the communities where they have lived. Happy 70th Wedding Anniversary, Jackie and Denver!

Fire Dept.

many features as possible of a new tanker. "Upgradof the current fire apparatus standard."

fleet is at least 15 years old. the personnel," according Apparatus that are over 25 years old should be replaced. Three of the department's 13 vehicles are more than 25 years old, includ-

ing Engine 1 and Tanker 2.

Tanker 1 and Engine 2 are

both 23 years old. According to the department's needs assessment, the cost of an Engine truck with equipment is \$550,000.

The department is also weighing the cost-benefit

ed features will reduce refill times and will prove to More than half of the be less labor intensive on to the needs assessment. "This tanker will increase efficiency, safety and may assist with lowering the ISO Rating." A tanker and associated equipment is approximately \$440,000.

> The needs assessment also examines the need for a ladder truck, at a cost of about \$1 million.

> The needs assessment also addresses the facilities of the department. The de-

partment has two stations. Station 1 at 205 Stagecoach Rd. "will need to be relocated," according to the assessment, which states, "with the size and number of needed apparatus increasing, space is limited with little operating clearance around the vehicles and very limited outdoor space to safely train and/ or perform needed vehicle

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maintenance," Ideally, a station could be placed near I-35 and FM 2268 "as it affords access by the responders and adds fire protection with reduced response times to the planned subdivisions being constructed off FM 2268."

Celebrate International Self-Care Day July 24 Did you know July 24th

is 2021 International Self Care Day? Shall we hit the pause button on our busy lives to focus on at least one self-care activity?

"Please join me in celebrating International Self Care day by indulging in at least one self-care activity. Be creative, have fun, and relax.

I am inviting all self care champions to come by

Angelic Herbs Next Level Wellness between 3 and 5 on the 24th to share their experience.

Let's all enjoy a Self Care Saturday July 24th and enjoy some special rewards at the end of the day," CJ

Angelic Herbs is located at 560 N. Main Suite 10. To make inquries call254-947-

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(Spanish) 11 a.m. Office Hours: Monday - Friday

9 a.m. - Noon & 1:30 - 3 p.m. 601 FM 2268 947-8037

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Historical documents donated to **Southwest Collection at Texas Tech**

On July 10, Bell County Historical Commission Chairman Nancy Kelsey and Vice-Chairman Jalenn Ellis met with Texas State Historian Dr. Monte Monroe in Clifton to donate three boxes of historical documents to the Southwest Collection at Texas Tech. The commission partnered with members of the Preservation Committee of Betty Martin Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution to prepare the items for dona-

The items donated are

from the Kelsey Collection, the Hander Collection, and miscellaneous items including interview transcripts, memorabilia, and additional information collected from a variety of sources about the life experiences of three military veterans and two civilians during World War II. Among the military veterans interviewed was J. C. Alston, a Pearl Harbor sur-

Also included was information about three now deceased brothers from Bell County that all served during the war.



Callum Dean Correa, born in July 6, 2021, weighed 6 lb, 12 oz, 19.5 inches long. Born at Methodist Hospital in San Antonio. Parents are Tyler Correa and Courtney Cashman. Brother Oscar 13, Sister Lailani 11. Grandparents are Rolly and Beth Correa of Salado.

Community Bible Study Registering for Fall 2021- Spring 2022

Temple-Belton Community Bible Study (CBS) adult class is registering members for a 30-week in-depth interdenominational Bible study of Joshua, 1st and 2nd Peter, and Christian Living - Philemon, 1st-3rd John, and Jude.

Beginning the week of Sept. 13, the class will meet weekly. The in person Monday Night option and the Women's Day Remote Class will meet at Immanuel

Prince of Peace, 1215 South Wall St., Belton, We have three options: in person on Monday nights, live online (Zoom) and finally, a remote Women's Day Class of Wednesdays mornings. The class is open to all adults. Individuals may choose to participate in core groups for men, women, or married couples.

Each week, participants receive a reading commentary on the previous week's topic and a set of questions to work on each day covering the next week's reading. These questions are discussed in small groups of about fifteen. Following the small groups there is a short teaching over the same section of Scripture.

The class will break for Christmas and spring break vacations and finish the week of April 25th, 2022.

To register or to obtain additional information, go to www.templebeltoneve. cbsclass.org. For questions contact the class coordinator at (254) 718-6104 after 5:30 p.m. or to call during work hours call: 254-231-2393.







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Kambry Farris Stars in Salado Legends

By Jackie Mills AUTHOR OF SALADO LEGENDS

For the past five years, Kambry Farris from Salado has experienced all that Tablerock Festival of Salado, Inc. has to offer in the way of theater, now that she has been chosen as the female lead of Lucy McDougal of the 2021 performances of Salado Legends.

Kambry has been a part of the cast of A Christmas Carol several times, has taken on the responsibility of learning Tablerock's Fright Trail and running the routine of over 30 legendary stops along the Trail of the classical scary stories we all love. Kambry writes eloquently, sings beautifully, arranges scenes superbly, sews costumes like it was easy and takes charge like she was a pro. Every theater needs a "Kambry" to be complete and shine!

A young Ginger Rogers



Kambry Farris from Salado has experienced all that Tablerock Festival of Salado, Inc. has to offer

type, Kambry grew up on the stage dancing and has never stopped! In fact she is also the choreographer for this year's Salado Legends, as if being the star of the play was not enough. She has worked as a dance teacher, an art teacher and is currently a nanny. Her backstage ability is to be envied, her set design is original and how does she manage to help out in the concession stand and never gain a pound? Kambry's sister (Olivia) and brother (Jack)

Big sister Kambry is always willing to lend a hand.

Kambry will be an upcoming freshman at Texas Woman's University this fall. She will be studying History and Library Science in hopes of someday working in Museum Archives. Tablerock holds a special place in her big, big heart and has provided many fond memories for our star!

You may purchase tickets to Salado Legends for performances on Fridays or on Saturdays on the folfollow her and learn well. lowing dates, July 23, 24, 30 & 31 and August 6 & 7 for the show at 8:15 p.m. for \$20-Adults, or \$5 - fora child 12 years to 3 years old. The dinner is optional and will be Mexican food by Brooke May's Hecho En Queso at 7:15 p.m.(before show) for \$13-Adult or Child. You may order tickets via www.centraltexastickets.com. Dinner and show tickets are sold from now until one day before each performance. Show only tickets are sold from now until one hour before each performance.

ART FAIR: Since 1967, event brings artists from around state to Salado

The Salado Chamber of Commerce presents its Annual Art Fair on Saturday, August 7 and Sunday, August 8 at the Salado Civic

The first Art Fair was organized by the late Virginia Kinnison and Jack Jones, well-known and re- of food and fun for all ages. spected Saladoans during Hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. the summer of 1967 and continues to this day as a community effort.

There will be numerous juried artists and artisans covering a wide variety of artistic genres. Music will provide a colorful background for attendees to browse the many booths and vendors on the grounds of the Salado Civic Center. This provides a setting for the viewing of some of the most beautiful and unique artwork that is so much a part of this decades old event. There will be plenty

on August 7-8. Free admis-

There will be an hors d'oeuvre and wine reception featuring both local and participating Art Fair artists and music on Friday, August 6, 6:30-9 p.m. at Tenroc Ranch, Sirena

Tickets will be available through the Salado Chamber of Commerce and Eventbrite soon - price will be \$60 per person. For more information or to become a vendor, visit www. salado.com or call 254-947-5040.





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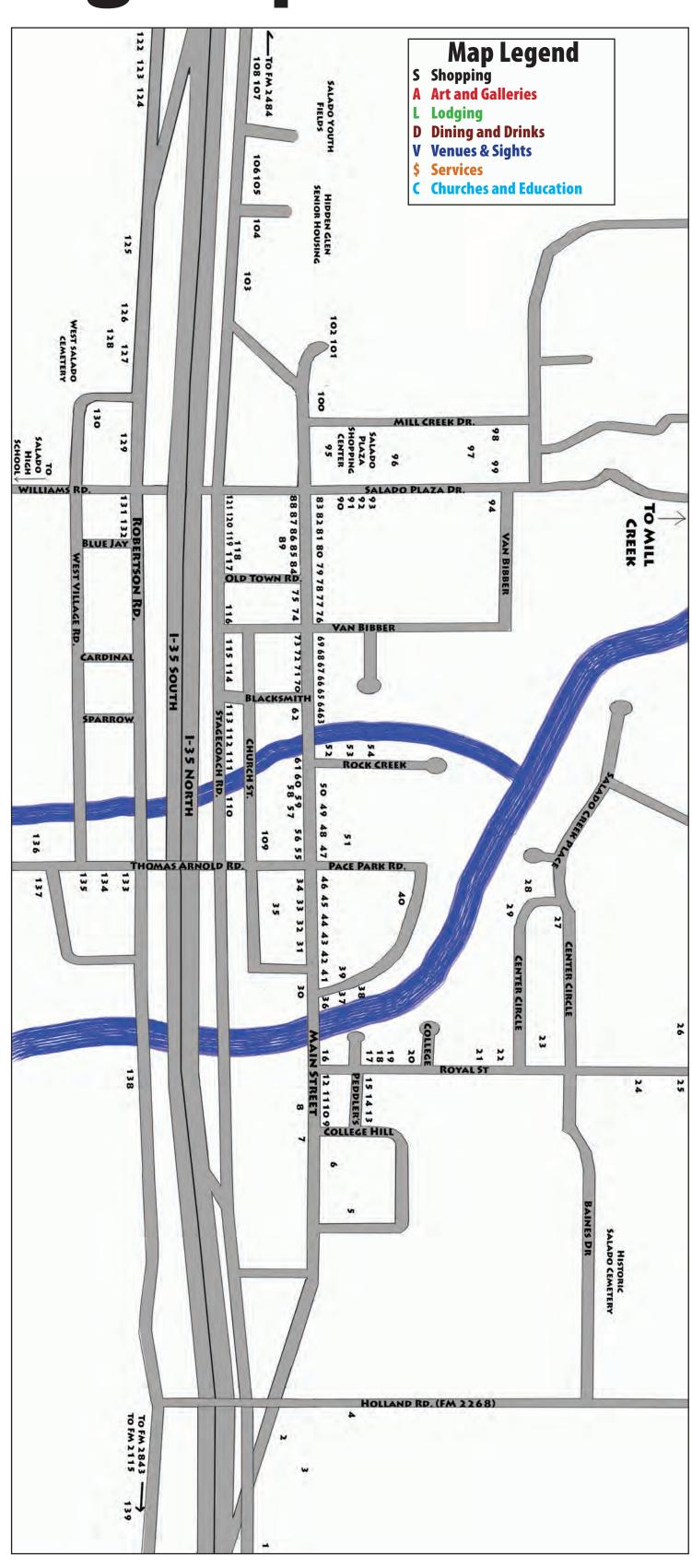
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Historical Markers in Salado

- 6. Salado Historic College Hill
- Shady Villa Hotel (Stagecoach Inn)
- Main Street Bridge
- 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

The Barton House

51. The Levi Tenney House

45. The Anderson House Old Saloon

The Norton-Orgain House

55. The Armstrong Adams House

- 49. The Vickrey House
 - 76. Boles-Aiken & Denman Cabins
 - 77. The Robert B. Halley House
 - 79. The Reed Cabin
 - 100. The Josiah Fowler House

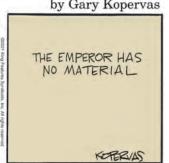
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by Gary Kopervas





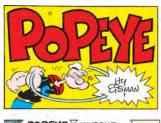
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Contract Bridge

RETURN TO SENDER

West dealer. North-South vulnerable. NORTH **♦** Q 9 7 4 **♥**K Q 6 3 **♦**865 **♣**K 9 **WEST EAST ♠** 8 6 2 **♥** J ♥A 10 9 8 7 5 2 ♦ A 10 9 2 **♦** Q J 4 **♣**J 8 7 6 3 **♣**10 4 SOUTH ♠ A K J 10 5 **¥**4 ♦ K 7 3

♣A Q 5 2 The bidding: West North East South Pass Pass **3** ♥ Pass 4 🏚 Opening lead — jack of hearts.

Certain deals present declarer with an opportunity to use his wits rather than technical prowess. However, an alert defender should almost always be able to see through any such scheme and find the necessary countermeasure.

That was the case in this deal where South wound up in four spades after a preemptive three-heart opening by

South realized that if he covered the jack with the queen, East would win with the ace and most likely shift to a diamond. If West had the diamond

To defuse this threat, declarer played low from dummy at trick one! South reasoned that by allowing West to hold the lead, the king of diamonds would be protected from attack, after which making 10 tricks would pose no problem.

South's plan would have worked like a charm if East had been asleep at the switch. However, East viewed this Greek gift with grave suspicion. It was obvious that declarer had the missing four of hearts since South would certainly have covered the jack with the

So East overtook the jack with the ace, even though this established dummy's K-Q as tricks, and shifted to the

East reasoned that South had not covered the jack of hearts because it was not in his best interests to have East on lead at trick two. But if that were the case, thought East, then it must be correct to take the ace and proceed accordingly.

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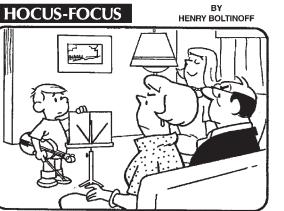
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East. West led the jack of hearts, and declarer took stock of the situation.

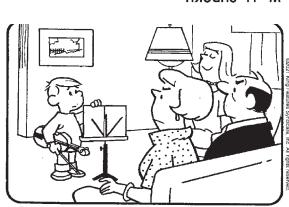
ace, this would result in rapid defeat.

queen if he were void in the suit.

queen of diamonds to set the contract.



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Music stand is different. 2. Glasses are missing. 3. Curtain is natrower. 4. Picture is moved. 5. Lampshade is different. 6. Sieeve is longer.

Super Crossword

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$t\!e\!st_{\scriptscriptstyle{-}}$ by Fifi Rodriquez

1. TELEVISION: What were the first names of the "Golden Girls" characters on the 1980s sitcom?

2. MOVIES: What was the name of the dance song in the movie "The Rocky Horror Picture Show"? 3 GEOGRAPHY What is the new-

est internationally recognized nation in the world? 4. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: How

big is an Olympic swimming pool?

5. U.S. STATES: What is the state animal of Nevada? 6. ASTRONOMY: What color is the

7. HISTORY: When was the Emancipation Proclamation issued? 8 ANIMAL KINGDOM: What are the offspring of cicadas called? 9. AD SLOGANS: Which auto is

advertised as "the ultimate driving 10. LITERATURE: What is the setting for the novel "Anne of Green

Answers

1. Rose, Blanche, Dorothy and Sophia

2. "Time Warp" 3. South Sudan (2011)

4. Fifty meters long, 25 meters wide and at least 2 meters deep 5. Desert bighorn sheep

6. Blue

sunset on Mars?

7. Jan. 1, 1863

8. Nymphs 9. BMW

10. Prince Edward Island, Canada

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Weekly SUDOKU

Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

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Calendar of Events

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Floor practice at Salado Masonic Lodge #296, 95 S. Church St., 6:30 p.m. except on Stated Meeting nights.
Trivia every Monday at

Chupacabra, 7 p.m.

Tuesdays

Tuesday Night Prix Fixe at Alexander's Craft Cocktails + Kitchen. \$14.95 for entree, dessert and glass of wine. Prix Fixe menu changes weekly. Visit Alexander's Facebook page for weekly updates on Prix Fixe.

Wednesdays

Storytime with Ms. April, Salado Public Library, 11 a.m. Guest food truck day at Barrow Brewing Co., 108

Royal St. 4-9 p.m.
Tastes of the World at The Barton House Restaurant, 5-9 p.m. Menu changes each week. Call 254-947-0441 for

more information. Wine Down Wednesday at Alexander's Craft Cocktails & Kitchen, 5-7 p.m., Half price on select bottles of wine, featured wine by the glass and feature cocktail specials

change weekly. Vinyl Nite with Shannon at

Barrow Brewing Co., 5 p.m. Salado Church of Christ will show video series from Focus on the Family entitled The Truth Project, 6:30 p.m., at the church. Discussion will follow each showing in the 12-week series through the months of June, July and August.

Thursdays

Storytime with Ms. April, Salado Public Library, 11 a.m. Open Mic Night with

Dustin Brown, 6 p.m., Barrow Brewing Co. Bikes & Brews, 6 p.m. at

Barrow Brewing Co. Run4Beer Group meets at 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

Family Night at The Shed, specials on beer and pizzas change every week.

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Live Music at Chupacabra

Craft Beers, 7 p.m. Live Music at Barrow Brewing Co. 7:30 p.m.

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Farmers Market at Barrow Brewing Co. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. on the grounds.

Live Music at Chupacabra Craft Beer and Kitchen, 7 p.m. Live Music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7:30 p.m.

Sundays

Live Music at Barrow Brewing Co. 4 p.m.

Through July 16

Lady Eagles Performance Camp for incoming seventh through 12th graders, Salado Middle School weight room, 8-10 a.m., \$75 Call 254-947-6970 or email diane.konarik@ saladoisd.org to register.

Through July 29

Salado High School Boys Eagle Performance Camp, 7:30-9:15 a.m., Salado High School weight room, Mondays through Thursdays, \$75. Call 254-947-6970 or email alan. haire@saladoisd.org to regis-

Through 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.

Through August 26

Salado Museum and College Park is hosting the historical exhibit Essential Workers: Women, Aviation and World War II" July 5 through August 26 which tells the story of the women who came forward to meet the demand on the home front.

July 22-23

Storytime all ages at the Salado Public Library, 11 a.m. July 22

Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Armadillo Ale Works.

Game Night & Snacks for ages 7-11 at the Salado Public Library. 5 p.m.

July 23

Teen Game Night with snacks at the Salado Pubic Library, 6 p.m.

July 23

Barrow Brewing Co., live music at 7 p.m. Goons.

July 23

Live Music at Chupacabra, Shady Villa, 8 p.m. Britton Pveatt

July 23 & 24

Salado Legends! Tablerock Amphitheater, Royal St. Prepaid Dinner-7:15 p.m., \$15.00; Show-8:15 p.m., \$20.00 & \$5.00. Dinner & Show tickets may be purchased via Central-TexasTickets.com

July 24

As part of the multi-week exhibit "Essential Workers: Women, Aviation and World War II," Salado Museum will host The Dillard Sisters for a special performance at 1 p.m. Free to the public.

International Self Care Day at Angelic Herbs 560 S Main suite 110. 254-947-1909 for more info. 3-5 p.m.

July 24

Barrow Brewing Co., live music at 7 p.m. Woman in the Men's Room.

Live Music at Chupacabra, Shady Villa, 7 p.m. Joshua Jaccard.

July 25 Barrow Brewing Co. Summer Lecture Series, 2 p.m.,

featuring Doc Eary speaking on Dream Interpretation July 25 Barrow Brewing Co., live

music at 4 p.m. Don Audette. **July 26-29** Football Camp 2, incoming

ninth graders only, SHS prac-

tice field, 9-11 a.m., \$50. Call 254-947-6970 or email alan. haire@saladoisd.org to regis-**July 26-30** Boys Soccer Camp 1, in-

Kindergarteners through second graders, SHS Stadium, 9-10:30 a.m., \$50. Call 254-947-6970 or email jared.cruddas@saladoisd.org to register. July 26-30

Boys Soccer Camp 2, incoming third through eighth graders, SHS Stadium, 10:45 a.m.-12:14 p.m., \$50. Call 254-947-6970 or email jared. cruddas@saladoisd.org to reg-

July 26-30

St. Stephen Catholic Church Vacation Bible School "Rocky Railway VBS: Jesus' power pulls us through, 6-8:30 p.m. nightly at the church. Rocky Railway is for kids from four years old to fifth grade.

July 28-30

11 a.m. Storytime all ages at the Salado Public Library **July 28-30**

Volleyball Camp 2 for incoming seventh through ninth graders, SHS gym, hours to be determined, \$50. Call 254-947-6970 or email kristi.wilk@ saladoisd.org to register.

July 29

Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Bishop Cider.

July 30 & 31

Performance of Salado Legends outdoor historical musical drama. Pre-paid Dinner at 7:15 p.m., $\$1\overline{5}$ per person. Showtime at 8:15 p.m. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$5 for students. Dinner and Show tickets may be purchase via centraltexastickets.com.

July 30 Live Music at Chupaca-

bra, Shady Villa, 8 p.m. Trey Yenger. July 31 Barrow Brewing Co.,

RAW and live music Denny Cullinan.

July 31 Dinner and a movie at The Shed, 6:30 p.m., show starts at 7 p.m. Top Gun. Call 254.947.1960 to reserve your

table. July 31

Live Music at Chupacabra, Shady Villa, 7 p.m. Joe Savage.

August 1

Barrow Brewing Co. Summer Lecture Series, 2 p.m., featuring Coleman Hampton, Director of Bell County Museum, speaking on the Settling of Central Texas.

Six SHS graduates earn TILF scholarships for UIL academics

Six of our graduates from the Salado High School Class of 2021 were selected for scholarships by the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation (TILF).

To be eligible to apply for this scholarship students must meet the following criteria:

• Competed at the UIL Academic State Meet, Congressional Debate State Meet, One-Act Play State Meet, or Theatrical Design State Meet OR must have advanced to the second day of the Cross Examination Debate State Meet OR must state finalist in the Barbara Jordan Historical Essay Competition, the Latino History Essay Competition, or the Young Filmmakers Festival OR must have been a member of one of the top 10 teams per competition group at the BEST or FIRST state robotics con-

- Plan to attend an accredited college or university in the state of Texas • Enroll full-time in college and maintain a 2.5 college GPA
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Participation only in athletic or music contests does not qualify a student to apply for a TILF scholarship. A student must advance to state in an academic contest to apply.

Congratulations to the following six Salado High School Class of 2021 graduates earning a TILF scholarship:

Superintendent's Corner

by Dr. Michael Novotny

Trey Graham - competed in number sense and earned second place in district, third place in region, and sixth place in state this year, he will be attending Tech Tech University

Connor Howard - competed in speech and debate and earned state championships in congressional debate and persuasive speaking this year, he will be attending Texas A&M University - College Station

Amy Manning - competed in mathematics and earned second place in district and sixth place in region this year, she will be attending the University of Texas – Austin

Madeline Sunshine competed in spelling and vocabulary and earned second place in district, regional championship, and sixth place in state this year, she will be attending Texas A&M University – Galves-

Gricelda Vargas - competed in spelling and vocabulary and earned fifth place in district - she will be attending the University of Texas – Austin

William Won - competed in calculator and earned district championship, regional championship, competed in mathematics and

earned third place in district,

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University – College Station Congratulations also to their UIL coaches Dennis Cabaniss, Tim Cook, Kyra Mann, and Brian Osborne.

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Mill Creek Country Club... was happy to organize the fireworks celebration for the Village of Salado. This year was a Group effort with donations paying for the fireworks. Thank you to all the businesses and people, who so generously donated so that the entire Village could enjoy. We loved seeing so many people & businesses come together to accomplish this. Perhaps this is the first of many collaborations to bring more events to the Village." Billy & Vicki Helm

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"For parents of newborns, saving for college may not always be top of mind," Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar said. "That's why we're reminding new parents to take advantage of the opportunity to lock in this year's rates before next year's rates go into effect on Sept. 1."

Under the Texas Tuition Promise Fund, the state's prepaid college tuition program, participants can purchase tuition units and lock in the costs of undergraduate resident tuition and schoolwide required fees at Texas public colleges and universities based on today's prices.

For additional flexibility, the plan also can be used at Texas medical and dental institutions, private Texas colleges and universities, out-of-state colleges and universities and career schools or eligible apprenticeship programs, where tuition is not locked in and the benefits and payouts would be based on the Transfer Value.

Enrollment at 2020-21 prices closed on Feb. 28 for children 1 year of age and older. The next annual enrollment period begins on Sept. 1, with new contract prices based on Texas public

college costs for the 2021-22 school year.

Complete plan information, including the plan description and agreement, current sales prices, enrollment forms and more, is available at TuitionPromise. org or by calling 800-445-GRAD (4723), Option 5.

The program's outreach team also offers free webinars to provide an overview of the plan and discuss the different tuition unit types and payment options, as well as provide information about Texas Match the Promise Foundations\ matching scholarship opportunities. Go to the Texas Tuition Promise Fund website for information about how to register to attend upcoming webinars (https:// www.texastuitionpromisefund.com/events/).

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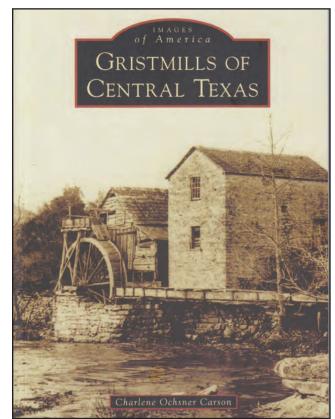
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Carson to address BCHC

The Bell County Historical Commission will meet at 7 p.m., Monday July 26, in the first-floor courtroom of the Bell County Courthouse in Belton. Charlene Carson will present the program on "Gristmills of Central Texas."

Attendees will learn about the importance of these early mills and how many of the settlements around them grew into towns.

The BCHC works to preserve and promote the county's historical heritage in accordance with Texas state



laws and under the direction of the Bell County Commis- more information, or besioners Court. The BCHC coming a member, may meets the fourth Monday of each month, except May and December, in the historic Bell County Courthouse in Belton. The BCHC does not meet in May or December because of holiday hour conflicts.

Persons interesting in contact the BCHC office on the first floor of the courthouse in Belton. The office is staffed by volunteers most days Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon. The telephone number for the office is 254-933-5917.



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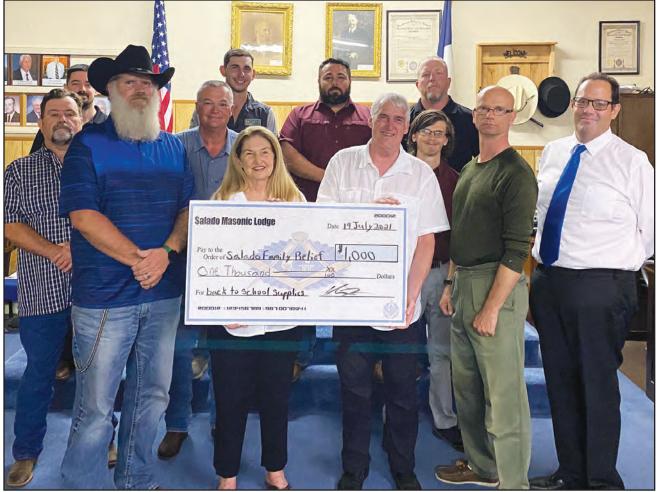




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Salado Masonic Lodge #296 presented a \$1,000 check to the Salado Family Relief Fund for its 13th Annual Project Backpack program. The funds will be used to purchase back-to-school kits for Thomas Arnold Elementary second graders. The Salado Family Relief Fund expects to serve even more students than it did in 2020. David Messinger, Master of the Lodge for 2021-22 (and wearing the hat) is shown above presenting the check to Juli Bergstrom, treasurer of Salado Family Relief Fund and John Lett, President of the Salado Family Relief Fund Board. "We support the Family Relief Fund because Texas Freemasons have supported public education since the days of our Republic, Messinger said. "We challenge other organizations and groups in Salado to match our donation."

Project Backpack seeks donations

The 13th Annual Project ways the organization sup-Backpack continues.

Now is the time to participate in the Project Backpack fundraiser. Organizers of the fundraising efforts are collecting monetary donations of any amount to contribute to the purchase of the backpacks and school supply kits.

Juli Bergstrom, treasurer for Salado Family Relief said, "We have ordered the backpacks and the supply kits that are prepared by Perry's Office supply as specified by SISD for grades PreK thru High School. Our expenditure is up versus 2020 due to an increase in both the quantity ordered and the cost of supplies."

Project Backpack began 13 years ago to support the Back-to-School efforts of Salado Family Relief by providing backpacks alone. Marilyn Griffin has been involved with this fundraising effort since the beginning and commented that the success of Project Backpack is due to the generosity of individuals, businesses and churches in Salado and now covers most, if not all, of the cost of the Back-to-School program.

"Project Backpack is truly a community-wide effort to help families with children in the Salado schools," Griffin said. "We encourage Salado ISD everyone to visit the website to learn more about Salado Family Relief and the many

ports families and individuals in need."

Backpacks and supply kits will be distributed on August 10 & 12 at the Presbyterian Church in Salado. John Lett, President for Salado Family Relief, said that following social distancing guidelines for distribution in 2020 proved to be very efficient. According to Lett, "We will again ask that parents remain in their cars in the parking lot and volunteers will bring supplies to them." Request forms are available via the website at www.saladofamilyrelief. com and at Hearts & Hands Ministries, 213 Mill Creek Drive # 135.

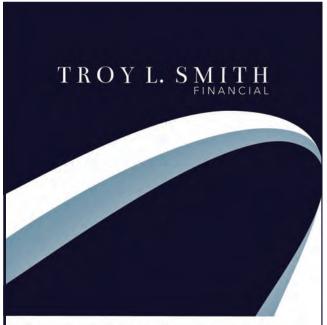
Donations can be made online at www.saladofamilyrelief.com. Checks can be mailed to P.O. Box 461, Salado, TX 76571. Donation jars are available for cash donations at the following locations in the Village: Christy's, Keith's Ace Hardware, Salado Spirits, Sophistikatz Bead Emporium, Shoppes on Main, Axis Winery, 21 Main, and Main Street Social.

Distribution Dates are Tuesday, August 10 and Thursday, August 12 from 5-7 p.m. To show eligibility, parents should bring:

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All American Honorable Mention- Marisol Tovar and

Webinar on education laws

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The Military Families Learning Network will present a July 28 webinar on education laws and policies for military children with special needs. (Texas A&M AgriLife photo).

The Military Families Learning Network, MFLN, will present the professional development webinar "Navigating Education Laws and Policies for Military Families with Special Needs" from 10-11 a.m. on July 28.

The free webinar is designed to help answer questions about education laws military parents who have children with special needs school system.

To participate, go to https://bit.ly/3jFdYrB and RSVP, then check your email for instructions and a link to the event. If you cannot open the link, you can view the event on YouTube Live at https://www.you-

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Military children with special needs

Rachel Brauner, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service program specialist - military programs, Bryan-College Station, said AgriLife Extension and Texas A&M University are proud to participate in the MFLN as part of a long history supporting military personnel and their families.

Brauner said although many Americans think the 1.3 million active-duty military families work, live and attend school on a military face when interacting with a installation, this is only partly true.

> "There are 1.5 million military children who live and attend school in local communities," she said. "More than 140,000 of those families have one or more family members or children with a physical, mental, emotional, medical or educational special need."

Brauner said while dealing with special needs generally presents a certain number of challenges, these challenges can be exacerbated, especially if a child with special needs has to be moved to several new locations during a military parent's career.

Webinar content and presenter

The webinar is intended to answer some of the core legal questions that parents face when interacting with a school system and highlight some of the differences in the rules from state to state. It will be presented by Col. Elizabeth Schuchs-Gopaul, a retired U.S. Air Force officer and attorney.

Schuchs-Gopaul, mother of two children with special needs, earned her

sity of Georgia School of Law before embarking on a 22-year career as a Judge Advocate in the Air Force. As a parent, a spouse, attorney and military member, she has over 12 years of experience navigating the issues related to being a career military mother making multiple moves with special needs children.

The webinar will address the following:

- Requirements for getting children tested for special education or related ser-
- Legal rights when moving states or schools with a child with special educational needs.
- The difference between Individualized Education Programs and 504 plans offering formal help for K-12 students who are struggling in school.
- Discipline in school for children with special needs. Continuing education

Continuing education credits from the webinar will be offered in the areas of:

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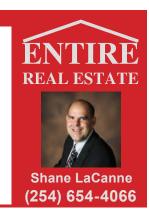
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No through trucks on Solana

Bell County Commissioners at the July 19 meeting established a "No Thru Trucks" route on Solana Ranch Road and part of Prairie Dell Church Road in the southern portion of Bell County.

According to Bell County Engineer Bryan Neaves, "There is a quarry causing damage on Solana Ranch Road."

Neaves said that he and Precinct 2 Commissioner Bobby Whitson "have been out there," adding that he is concerned about "the integrity of the road."

"Solana Ranch Rd. is a

very narrow county road," Whitson said. "It wasn't built for any heavy truck traffic. They have a quicker route if they head south and get to the frontage road."

Whitson added that the Solana Ranch Rd. has sharp bends and turns that causing oncoming drivers to pull off the road if they come onto long trailers at the curves.

"It's eroding the side of roadways," he added. "They are also going through the middle of Prairie Dell which is crowded as it is."

The through route for trucks to get to the interstate will be to take Williamson

Road to Frontage Road (Dos Hermanos).

Mail trucks, delivery trucks, school buses and emergency vehicles will be exempt from the prohibition of trucks on Solana Ranch Rd. and Prairie Dell Church Rd

"This moves the trucks to dirt roads, so we will have to blade those more often," Whitson said, "but they are long, straight roads that have wide shoulders."

The No Thru Trucks regulation will carry a \$200 fine. Signs will be posted at least 100 feet from every intersection of the roads.

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County regulates game rooms

By TIM FLEISCHER EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

After months of work. Bell County Commissioners approved 24 pages of Game Room regulations that will go into effect on Aug. 18 in an effort to offset "a wide variety of adverse secondary effects, including but not limited to personal and property crimes, gambling offense, weapon offense, illicit drug use and drug trafficking, negative impacts on surrounding properties, urban blight, and litter."

The new Game Room regulations will allow operation of Game Rooms only within the unincorporated areas of Bell County and at least 1,500 feet from any existing or planned school, regular place of religious worship, or residential neighborhood and at least 2,000 feet from where two or more other Game Rooms are located.

The new Game Room regulations also limit the operations of Game Rooms to 8 a.m.-9 p.m.

The regulations require fire and life safety measurements to be in place, including doors that are readily accessible without the use of a key or effort and at least one marked fire exit for every 25 games. All construction and fire code regulations will be strictly enforced and Game Rooms shall provide any fire safety official with immediate access to the premises at all times. Electronic locks cannot be used to restrict entrance or exit during business hours.

Game rooms will be required to provide at least one window in the front of the building and at least one other window on one other side to allow a clear and unobstructed view of all machines. A Game Room shall provide transparent uncovered glass in each exterior Game Room window or door. It also makes tinting or covering a window or door of a Game Room unlawful.

Game Rooms will be required to have each outside door marked with a sign that reads "GAME ROOM" in four inch or larger block lettering; and is legible and visible at all times from a distance of (25) feet from the outside door.

Game Rooms that operate Game Machines are allowed only in the unincorporated areas of Bell County, according to the regulations document. However, Game Rooms that operate Amusement Redemption Machines and no other Game Machines may operate on premises located in whole or in part in incorporated territory of Bell County. This restriction does not prohibit a Game Room located on the same premises in the incorporated territory of the county as a Charitable Bingo Hall that has been licensed by the Texas Lottery Commission and conducted bingo sessions for at least five years in the location prior to applying for a Game Room Permit.

Game Rooms cannot require memberships nor can they put in place entry protocols or systems.

The new regulations put in place an annual permit overseen by the Bell County Fire Marshal.

The permit process will require a \$1,000 non-refundable fee, a great deal of documentation of the owners and associates and inspection of the premises by the Fire Marshal. Up to three inspections will be done in the permitting process, all of which will require the owner of the game room to be present at the time.

Salado Police Department Report July 12-18, 2021

Between July 12th to July 18th, 2021, Salado Police Officers responded to the following calls in which offense or incident reported were taken:

OFFENSE/INCIDENT REPORTS:

07/15/2021:

SPD responded to Royal and Main St in reference to an assault that occurred earlier in the 400 block of College Hill. The complainant advised that she was assaulted by her boyfriend while at his home earlier. The suspect was no longer on scene. This case is still under investigation, no arrests have been made at this time.

07/18/2021:

SPD responded to NB IH 35 in reference to a reckless driver. The vehicle was observed making several traffic violations. The vehicle was stopped by SPD and it was determined that the driver did not have a valid TX drivers license. The driver had multiple convictions for driving while license invalid and was subsequently arrested and charged with Driving While License Invalid-Subsequent.

SPD responded to the area of Tablerock theatre in reference to two stolen mowers from a pole barn. Unknown persons took two commercial mowers without the homeowners consent. It was later determined that the mowers were mistakenly taken by the Bell County Sheriff's Dept who took the wrong mowers from the property. Once the mistake was recognized the mowers were returned without incident. The case was closed as unfounded.

Salado Police Officers handled the many other calls for service in which a report was not required. To the left is a breakdown of those calls:

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A&M AgriLife team seeking 'holy grail' of tomatoes

BY PAUL SCHATTENBERG AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE

A proposed project involving the characterization of a new breeding line of tomatoes developed by the Texas A&M AgriLife breeding program at Weslaco could further enhance Texas' reputation for growing exceptional produce, according to Texas A&M AgriLife Research scien-

The development of flavorful, nutritious and firm tomatoes with a long shelf life, good appearance and high yield is the "holy grail" of tomato improvement, said Carlos Avila, Ph.D.,

AgriLife Research vegetable breeder based at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center in Weslaco and principal investigator for the project.

Avila said tomato genes such as colorless non-ripening, NOR, and ripening inhibitor, RIN, have been used successfully in modulating fruit firmness and extending the shelf life of commercially available tomatoes, but have fallen short in other

The team's goal is to produce a long-shelf-life tomato with all the positive traits and characteristics both the produce industry and consumers desire without negatively impacting taste and

He said the new yearlong project is a continuation of the 2019 project "Novel Tomato Fruit Firmness Trait: Breeding for Long Shelf Life While Conserving Flavor Is Now Possible."

"This second-year project will focus on production and multi-location testing, along with trait characterization for marker-assisted breeding and registration of the TAM-SP18-157," Avila

Field trials at Weslaco and Uvalde during the 2019 spring season demonstrated TAM-SP18-157 has an

excellent combining ability when used as a parent for hybrid cultivar develop-

"We have already harvested some of the tomatoes grown here at the Uvalde center for testing and will be checking them for these two aroma-active amino acids that are integral to tomato flavor," he said.

The fruit firmness in the TAM-SP18-157 breeding line is superior to what was expected. The tomatoes' average compression peak indicates a fruit 70% firmer compared to the average firmness in the Texas A&M tomato breeding population. Initial testing

highly resistant to tomato yellow shoulder disorder.

He said the initial research indicated early potassium applications can reduce symptoms of the yellow shoulder disorder, though it is necessary to apply a larger amount than what would normally sustain yield, which would increase production costs.

The valuable traits of TAM-SP18-157 can be used to substantially improve fruit firmness and resistance to yellow shoulder while also retaining flavor and improving dry matter, sugar content, acidity, shelf life and yield in fresh and spe-

showed TAM-SP18-157 is cialty high-value heirloom tomato cultivars.

> Juan Landivar, Ph.D., director of the Texas A&M AgriLife center in Weslaco, said the successful characterization and introduction of these traits into commercial cultivars has the potential to revolutionize fresh tomato consumption.

The development of flavorful and nutritious tomatoes with a long shelf life, good appearance and high yield would lead to healthy lives and livelihoods improved through ensuring an abundant supply of nutritious foods.

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