

Laser light show on creek Dec. 11

The Salado Cultural Arts District (SCAD) is hosting two performances of a holiday laser light show, on Saturday, December 11, at 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m., on the banks of Salado Creek. The show is part of the 61st Annual Salado Christmas Stroll.

The laser light show will feature holiday favorites and new tunes set to illustrated, lighted displays on the banks of Salado Creek. Songs include "Boogie Woogie Santa," "I Want a Hippopotamus for Christmas," and "Carol

of the Bells," and more. Each show will last approximately 20 minutes and is free and open to all ages.

The Salado Cultural Arts District was designated by the Texas Commission for the Arts in 2017. SADC's mission is to support and promote excellence in the arts and culture of Salado, Texas. For more information on SCAD or to become a member, visit their website www.saladoculturalartsdistrict.org

Community

Thanksgiving Service Nov. 21

The annual Community Thanksgiving Service will be held on Sunday, November 21 at 6 p.m. in the SUMC sanctuary.

Frank Wallace, the Senior Associate Pastor at First Baptist Church, Salado, will bring the devotional message.

The Community Chorus, led by Dottie Shirley, will

perform several songs during the service as well.

Once again, in keeping with long tradition, there will be a time in which a free-will offering will be taken up to benefit Salado Family Relief.

All are invited to come out and join their friends and neighbors as they gather to praise their common God for his bountiful blessings.



Highland Games Scottish Gathering

The 60th Annual Highland Games and Scottish Gathering was held in Salado Nov. 12-14. It is the oldest gathering of Scottish clans in the state of Texas. The weekend event which featured Highland athletic contests such as the Hammer Throw and Caber Toss (left and below left) also had bagpipe band contests, piper and drummer ensembles and piping contests.

(PHOTOS BY TIM WATKINS)



150: Editor shares journey towards better health following vertical sleeve gastrectomy

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

In 2019, my then-pregnant-with-twins daughter Jenny Potter sat me down and said, bluntly, "I want you to be around for these grand babies. You need to look at duodenal switch surgery." Duodenal switch is one of the types of bariatric surgery available today.

I did. I made an appointment with a bariatric surgeon at Baylor-Scott & White in Temple for January 2020. I knew ahead of time that my insurance would not pay for bariatric surgery, but had socked money away for several years into a Health Savings Account.

What a life-changing appointment that has turned out to be not only for me but for my wonderful, supportive, loving wife Marilyn and the rest of my family. I want to share this journey with my loyal and supportive readers and community who have watched from the sidelines for the past several months.

Dr. Monique Hassan was my surgeon and she laid out the process that I would have to go through to even qualify for the surgery. First, I had to pass a stress test, which at that time was something I may or may not have been able to do.

In February 2020, I had a chemical stress test, which showed that my heart was as strong as it was following my heart attack at age 39 on May 5, 2006 and subsequent triple by-pass surgery at age 40 in January 5, 2007. Had to opt for the chemical stress test because I could not have done the traditional treadmill version (too fat and legs too weak, something that it is humbling to admit to even

today).

I was cleared by cardiologist, Dr. Timothy Mixon, in terms of my heart health.

Next hurdle was gut health. I had an endoscopy and colonoscopy in March 2020, a week before the hospitals stopped doing elective surgeries due to the beginnings of COVID-19 in Texas. Turns out that what I thought was just heartburn was GERD. I was prescribed omeprazole to add to my blood pressure, cholesterol and gout medicines. What a difference that made not to have a burning throat as part of trying to go to sleep every night!

COVID-19 set my path back several months, during which I went through depression and gained weight. Stupid, I know, but typical of a food addict to eat and drink at life's problems.

In August, my team at BS&W called and booked me for a sleep study. My good friend, the late Chris Spradley told me years and years ago that he wanted to get me in for a sleep study and that I was a walking textbook case of obstructive sleep apnea.

Turns out from that horrible night in the sleep lab that I have very serious sleep apnea... like 63 times an hour of stopping breathing. So I got a CPAP machine that I had to wear for at least a month to show that I was using the machine to get better sleep.

Again, what a difference it made to actually not wake up 63 times an hour. Marilyn says looking back at those days, that she would have to jostle me to wake up so I would breathe at night. She said she knew I had apnea because my body would

go cold and I would gurgle, snort and snore loud enough to wake the dead (but not myself).

With that hurdle cleared, we set a date for surgery. On November 5, 2020, I had vertical sleeve gastrectomy (VSG).

To do that, however, I had to undergo a liver-shrinking diet for two weeks, which consisted of two to three protein shakes (30 grams of protein and 160 cal each) and a small meal of 3-4 oz. protein and green, low carb vegetables.

In late September 2020, I weighed the heaviest I have in my entire life: 365 lbs. Royce Wiggin took the picture of me that accompanies this story while I was unaware. It is hard to believe I let myself get into that condition, but I had.

I weighed 355 lbs. the day I began the pre-op diet. It is imperative that candidates shrink their liver enough for the surgeon to do laproscopic surgery. Otherwise, they may have to cancel surgery or do an invasive form of it. I had done a good job of it, according to my surgeon, though! On surgery morning I weighed 339 lbs.

I did a good enough job walking after surgery that I was released to go home at 4 p.m. that same day. Many patients have to spend a night or two in the hospital, but I was able to sleep in my bed that night.

Getting out of it, however, was a challenge with five puncture wounds through my abdominal muscles and layers of fat.

The surgery was this: my stomach was cut vertically from top to bottom and 75-85% of it removed.

They also removed a



(PHOTOS BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Tim Fleischer above left in late August 2020 and above right in November 2021.

small tumor that was benign but may have grown undetected into something far more serious and dangerous if left alone. So I got double my money's worth!

I stayed at home for two weeks and slowly began to return to work as I transitioned from clear liquids to protein shakes and finally to soft foods. During those two weeks, I was told to begin walking (to help get the gas

from my surgery out of my body). I could only drink a few teaspoons at a time every 15-30 minutes in those first two weeks while the long incision along my stomach healed.

In the transition to soft foods, I was told to take tiny bites (pea-size) and chew 15-25 times to liquify the food, which I did. I had read of the struggles others had with this stage in online support

groups, but I didn't suffer; I think mostly because I followed the plan I was given to the letter.

In the first three months that I was able to eat solid foods, I was told to hit a mark of 45-60 grams of protein per day and to avoid carbs (which fill you up without as much nutritional density).

Using Myfitnesspal app, SEE JOURNEY, PAGE 3D

FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas

Inflation is highest it has been for over three decades

The Markets

After running up 7.81% in five weeks, a wee bit of a pullback was probably in order as the S&P 500 Stock Index (SPX) sagged 0.31% for the week to close at 4682.85. The proximate cause of the dip was the announcement by the Labor Department that inflation, when measured from one year ago, was the highest it has been in three decades. The fact that the stock market decline was so mild suggested though that stock investors weren't too upset by it. The SPX now is up 24.67% year-to-date, an eyeball-popping 30.62% from a year ago, and an even more impressive 109.3% from its low point in March of 2020. The CRSP Mid-Cap Value Index, was up 0.53% for the week closing at 2589.78, up 26.31% so far this year.

The yield on the U.S. Treasury 10-year note popped upward 8.264% for the week to 1.572%, but still well below the 1.6% it hit about a month ago, as that market too suggested that the one-year trailing inflation numbers are not being taken too seriously. As a point of reference, the 10-year note was yielding well over 3% only three years ago with inflation running just over 1% per year. West Texas Intermediate crude oil (WTI) was down as it declined about a half percent to \$80.87 per barrel as OPEC announced that it expected oil demand to wane in the face of high prices.

The Economy

The economic headlines were obsessed with inflation following the release of the monthly Consumer Price Index (CPI) report by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. That report pegged the rise in average consumer prices from this time last year to be 6.2%, the highest one-year rise in 31 years. An avalanche of words in the broadcast and text media followed, with no shortage of shrill warnings that runaway inflation was upon us and the "stagflation" of the

Market & Economic Update

By Jeffrey W. McClure



1970s was at hand. The market pundits quickly jumped in and declared that the Federal Reserve was sure to raise interest rates now and in doing so would crush stock market values.

The problem with all those warnings was that the people with skin in the game, primarily stock and bond investors, looked at the details in the CPI report, and pretty much shrugged their shoulders and continued about their business. Even gold futures, which are historically rather sensitive to the threat of future inflation, only rose about 2.5% to \$1,867 per ounce before settling back and ending the week about where they were a year ago. Obviously, there was something in that CPI report that caused the people who ought to be most concerned about 6% inflation to be so sanguine.

Digging into the numbers that make up the CPI, it is quickly possible to see what generated that muted response. The big drivers of the high one-year inflation number are simply not likely to continue to rise at an accelerated rate for another year. In fact, history would suggest that most of them will likely fall over the next twelve months. The two biggest contributors were used cars and trucks, up over 26% since last year, but down a bit from three months ago, and motor fuel, up nearly 50% in one year. The other biggies were natural gas, up 28%, and meat, poultry, fish, and eggs, up about 12%. It does not take a lot of thinking to realize that used cars are not likely to continue to see price increases of 26% per year. The same logic applies to motor fuel. Even OPEC recognizes that gasoline prices have hit

the tipping point where they are causing a reduction in demand. The same logic applies to natural gas. The increase in protein prices appears to be a combination of a high demand from China, where they are still trying to rebuild their hog herds following a devastating attack of African swine fever, a bad grain harvest, and the same labor and truck-driver issues that are hitting everywhere else. The key takeaway is that none of the big contributors to the high inflation number appear to be sustainable.

Another cause of the labor shortage came out in a report. Job openings have been holding consistently above 10 million, much higher than the number of unemployed Americans. Meanwhile the percentage of Americans in the labor force has been declining. The driver of much of that appears to be older Americans retiring at a record rate. Before the pandemic, there was a strong trend for those over 65 to go on working, but that trend has reversed, and much of the reversal is related to the disease and the increased workload its disruptions have created.

In signs of a healthy economy, new layoffs fell to a new pandemic low, the "quit rate" of resignations as workers move on to better jobs was the highest in decades and the U.S. budget deficit continued to decline from last year.

There is more, much, much more, and we hope to get to some of it on our radio show, but the bottom line remains the same. The American economy is running at full throttle and is showing no sign of any indication that it will drop back any time soon.

No single minority can claim exclusivity when it comes to suppression

To the Editor:

Why drag the kids into it? It seems that every time divergent political views come into focus, invariably they gravitate to the country's youth, and despite the best of intentions, the Law of Unintended Consequences takes effect. Apparently the opposing factions never learn, or they choose not to look beyond their immediate objectives.

In the early 1950s when the Supreme Court ruled, rightfully so, that the nation's public schools should be integrated, implementation was woefully botched. Many minority students were not prepared for incorporation into classes populated by students with more advanced backgrounds, and they could not do the course work. Instead of taking corrective measures, like many individuals who have three options, two of which are bad, educators - with the encouragement of and pressure from minority leadership - chose to pursue those bad ones first.

One bad option was to reduce scholastic standards to accommodate lower achieving students. This impacted the overall quality of education for all students. The second, and individually more damaging, was a procedure called "social promotion". Instead of additional preparation to do course work, an under-performing student was advanced to the next grade for "social" reasons - often at parental demand. This resulted in graduating students who were essentially uneducated. Slavery ended more than 150 years ago, and most U.S. schools have been integrated for almost seventy years - three generations - sufficient time to correct educational problems of the 1950s. However, in the guise of racial accommodation, the U.S. public schools failed miserably in educating many minority students.

More recently, Texas Governor Abbott wants to control the inventory of public school libraries. Presented as a moral issue, this smacks of Hitler's book burnings. Inquisitive young people will seek knowledge from other sources - and they have plenty. For unknown reasons, Abbott appears to desire a populace of narrow-minded, uninformed morons. If his is a religious crusade, it would be ill-advised, since based on his criteria, the Old Testament Bible would be a first to go.

And now comes Critical Race Theory. (The "theory" element is suspect. It implies that it is yet to be proved.) Apparently some individuals, well-meaning or otherwise, want to introduce the "theory" into U.S. schools. Racism does not need to be addressed in schools; it is inherent in mankind; but it is expressed individually; and it goes both ways. No doubt the race most gravely affected in the U.S. has been Native Americans. They were murdered by the thousands; the Catholic Church enslaved

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Letters to the Editor

them; their lands were taken from them; and they were relegated to slum-like reservations. Another long-suffering subjugated group, no longer a minority, has been U.S. women - and then there are those who deviate from gender or sexual norms, and on and on. No one minority or class has an exclusive claim to the unfairness of bigotry.

Tolerance should be exercised first by adults in government, in business, and the workplace. Any program making some students feel guilty of the U.S.' past and other students feel deprived because of their race will cause polarization of our youth. This will not enhance their educational experience. Leave the kids alone; they will work it out better than politicians and activists whose only chance to be right is if the opposition takes a wrong position first. I know racial and other differences can be amicably accommodated. In almost thirty years as a pharmacist at the Santa Fe Hospital in Temple with its multi-racial employees and patients, I never heard an employee or patient described with a racial slur. Sexual orientation was not an issue; and employees of all races and gender were encouraged to rise to their highest capability, and many did - often subsidized in their efforts by the hospital. Now that's not a theory - it is a fact.

Tom Curb
Salado

Dear Editor

As president of the Salado Library District Board of Trustees, I am pleased to respond to Merle Stalcup's November 11 Letter to the Editor. With the growth of our library district, which is larger than the school district but roughly the same area as southern Bell County, the library district board is planning to meet the needs for additional services and space. After surveying the community, we prepared a five-year plan that addresses anticipated needs. Our purchase of the adjacent property was a viable way to expand when necessary. The property was offered for sale, not for \$500,000 as stated in Mr. Stalcup's letter but for substantially less at \$321,000. We had a public hearing at the Board of Aldermen meeting Nov. 1 concerning the zoning change

of the adjacent property. During a previous P&Z meeting, City Administrator Don Ferguson reported that he had surveyed those with nearby properties and received unanimous positive responses. Responses to our library staff have been positive as well.

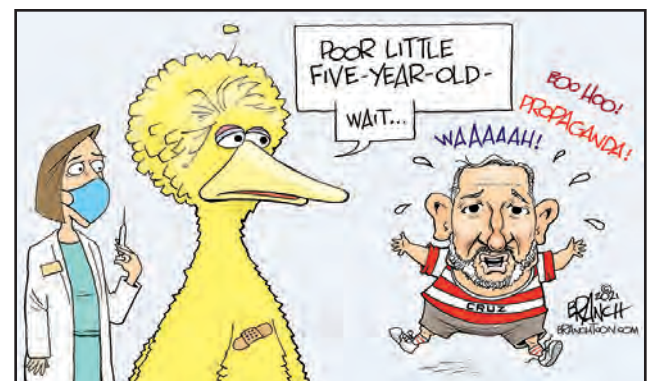
As for Mr. Stalcup's comment regarding the longevity of our five elected board members, we have two new members who have served two years, two who have served fewer than six years, and one who has served more than six.

Although Mr. Stalcup seemed to question the .05% sales tax received by the library district, I would like to point out that sales tax provides for stellar staff and services and a wonderful library that is often seen as a jewel in our community, while it does not add to the property tax burden of its citizens. The library district, formed under state law, is one of fifteen in the state supported by sales taxes. We have always invited the public to come to the district board meetings and have made our minutes, financial statements, and annual audits available to the public.

We have many volunteers who give their time to assist with outreach programs to children, teens, and adults, to process and shelve books, and to provide support through the Friends of the Salado Public Library and its used book shop, Book Ends. If you are interested in seeing first-hand what value the library and its great staff and volunteers provide to our community, please consider becoming a volunteer or a Friends member.

It has been my pleasure to serve our wonderful community on the Salado Public Library District Board. My annual report of the library's accomplishments and status is available on the library website. In it, I expressed my view that the library is a vital part of the community thus availing the citizens of free resources found no other place. I am proud to be from Salado and proud of our library system, its staff and volunteers, and its contribution to our quality of life.

Sincerely,
Joycelyn A. Miller,
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District Board of Trustees



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Community Life

Operation Christmas Child is underway

Members and friends of Heritage Country Church collected over 200 shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. A mission of Samaritan's Purse, churches worldwide are invited to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to needy children. Since 1993, more than 188 million children in over 170 countries have received gifts filled with toys, school supplies and hygiene items.

Ruth Caskey, who organized the Heritage Country Church events admits she shops for items all year with



help from her granddaughters. A yearly tradition for her family, the Christmas shoeboxes bring joy to other children while helping others learn the value of sharing in Jesus's name.

Ruth has made sure this tradition is part of Heritage Country Church as it is with other local assemblies of worship. Her commitment to Operation Christmas Child is reflected by increasing numbers of boxes each year.

Music & Arts Festival at Barrow Brewing

Live music is back at the Annual Music and Arts Festival, sponsored by the Music Association of Central Texas (MACT) Nov. 20, on the grounds of Barrow Brewing Company.

Music will begin at noon on indoor and outdoor stages with headliner Patricia Vonne.

Local artists, artisans, and food vendors will also

be set up from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., and craft beer will be available at Barrow Brewing. Admission is free at this all-ages event.

OUTDOOR STAGE:

12:00-12:45 p.m.
Cloud Anchor
1:00-1:45 p.m.
Midnight Tradesmen
2:00-2:45 p.m.
Jonna and the Mae Flies
3:00-3:45 p.m.
The Soundwaves

4:00-4:45 p.m.
The Resistors
5:00-5:45 p.m.
Martian Folk
6:00-6:45 p.m.
Madstone
7:00-7:45 p.m.
KCD Band
8:00 -10:00 p.m.
Patricia Vonne

INDOOR STAGE:

11:00-11:45 a.m.
Frank Exum
12:00-12:55 p.m.

Richard Paul Thomas

1:00-1:55 p.m.

Jon & Faith Austin

2:00-2:55 p.m.

Justin Bravo/Towne Adams

3:00-3:55 p.m.

Scott Taylor

4:00-4:55 p.m.

Dana Spigener

5:00-5:55 p.m.

Ermoian Brothers

6:00-6:55 p.m.

Denver Williams

7:00-7:55 p.m.

Wes Perryman

Empty Bowl benefits SFRF

Volunteers for Salado Family Relief served soup to a record number of attendees at the annual fundraiser held on Nov. 13 at the Salado Middle School Cafeteria.

The Salado Family Relief Board of Directors wants to thank all of those who came out to purchase soup and make donations. They also want to acknowledge the generosity of the following restaurants & Shops who supplied soup: Alexander's Kitchen, Cathy's Boardwalk Café, Johnny's Steaks & BBQ, McCain's Bakery & Café, Mel's Gourmet Delights & Pastries, Mud Pies Pottery, Pignetti's, SHS Cooking Class, Stagecoach Inn, Rio Salado, The Shed. We thank Pizza Place and Shoppe's on Main for sup-



plying bread sticks and croissants.

"We thank the local artists and art students from UMHB and Salado High School who made and donated the beautiful pottery bowls and the Starlets dance team for greeting people as they arrived," said Marilyn Griffin, board members.

"Additionally, we thank the Salado Village Voice for helping to get the word out about the fundraiser."

This year's event raised more than \$8,000.

The Empty Bowl Project is sponsored by Salado Family Relief (SFRF) and allows the organization to help families that qualify for

assistance with rent or utility payments. SFRF also organizes the Back-to-School Program/Project Backpack fundraiser, which provides much needed assistance to families with kids in the Salado Independent School System. SFRF helps local families at Christmas by coordinating the collection and distribution of toys and clothing for over 150 kids each year. To learn more about Salado Family Relief or the Empty Bowl Fundraiser, please visit the website at www.saladofamilyrelief.com. Donations can be made online via the website or by sending a check to P.O. Box 461, Salado, TX 76571. For additional information or to ask questions, please send an email to SFRSaladoTX@gmail.com.

Wild Birds Unlimited Nature Shop Now Open Nature enthusiasts flock to the grand opening

TEMPLE, TEXAS – Darla and Tommy Reeder are pleased to announce the newest Wild Birds Unlimited Nature Shop is open at 3122 South 31st Street in Temple.

"We're the new home of the best bird food in town," said Tommy Reeder, co-owner of the new Wild Birds Unlimited. "Stop by and see the new store; we've brought nature indoors and created a very calming, relaxing environment."

Wild Birds Unlimited Nature Shop will be celebrating its grand opening this Saturday, November 20th. Nature talks, prize drawings, refreshments, and product demonstrations make this a celebration suitable for the entire family.

"We are very excited to share the hobby of backyard bird feeding with our Temple neighbors. This hobby is second only in popularity to gardening and is enjoyed by more than 53 million Americans. It is also a mutually beneficial relationship. Feeding and watching the birds is a calming and peaceful activity. And the birds need us now, more than ever. Their populations are dwindling. The North American bird population

has decreased by 2.9 billion breeding adults, a net loss of 29% over the last half-century," stated Reeder.

Grand opening activities include:

- Drawings for FREE seed for a year, a bird feeding station and more!

- Gil Eckrich, from the Twin Lakes Audubon Society, will be presenting. Eckrich is a former wildlife biologist and is currently in charge of monitoring the endangered species of Fort Hood.

- Reid Lewis will be discussing how to nature-scape for your birds.


Wild Birds Unlimited carries a variety of seeds and seed blends that have been specially formulated to attract birds in this region. Seed blends are mixtures of seeds and nuts that numerous birds will eat. Seed will be delivered every week so customers get only the freshest bird food possible. In addition the retailer will carry bird feeders, bird houses and specialty garden and gift items not found elsewhere.

Every Wild Birds Unlimited seed purchase comes with a guarantee: If a customer is dissatisfied with the seed in any way, he or she

can bring it back for a new bag.

Wild Birds Unlimited, located in Temple is part of the original and largest franchise system of backyard bird feeding and nature specialty stores with more than 350 locations throughout the United States and Canada. Wild Birds Unlim-

ited specializes in bringing people and nature together with bird feeding and nature products, expert advice and educational events. Visit our Web site, and shop online at www.wbu.com/temple.

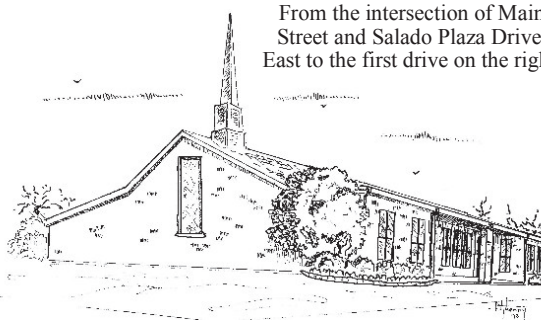


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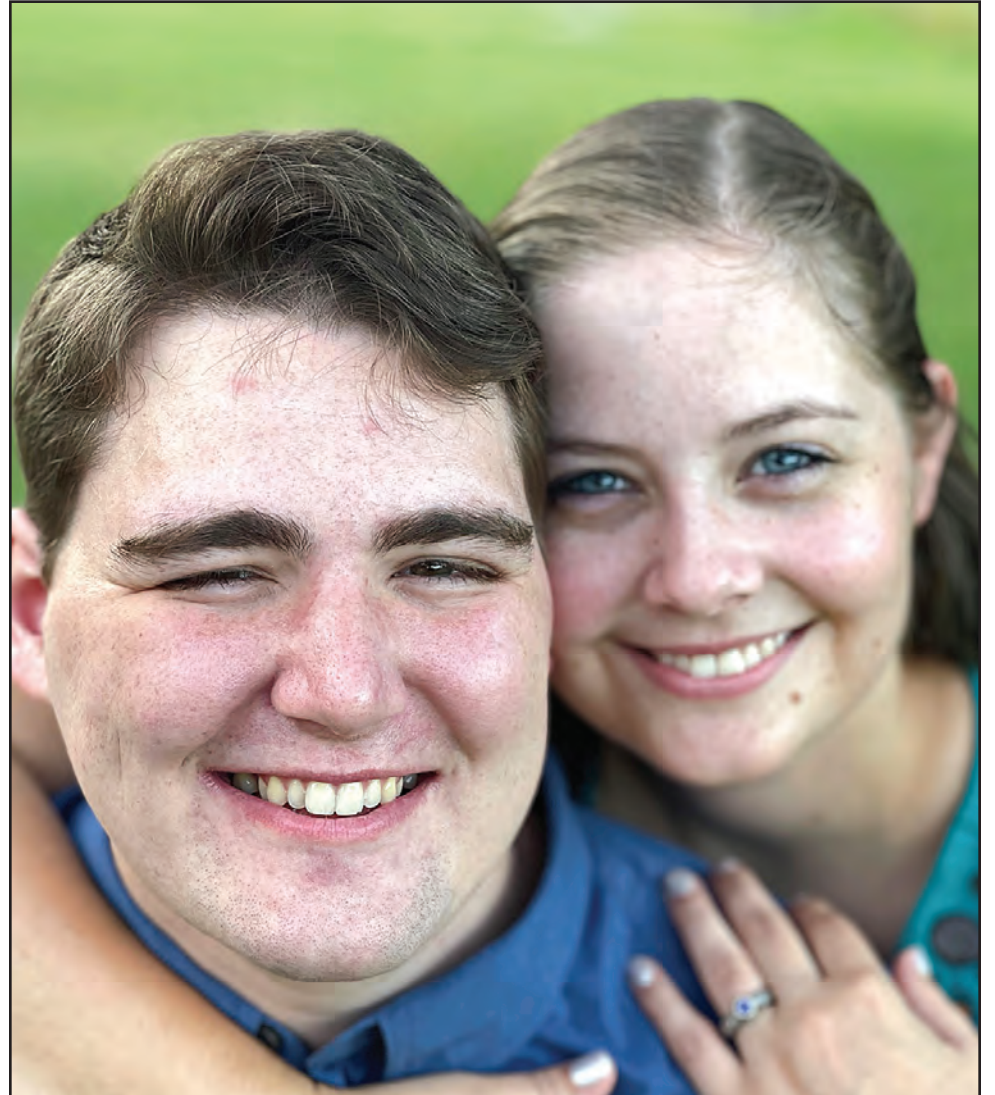
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Tricia and Jay Ritch of Salado are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their son Matthew Ritch to Olivia Combs of Florence, daughter of Lissa and Robert Combs of Florence. The couple met while performing in Salado Legends during the summer of 2016. Olivia played Sadie Lou Chalk and has participated in Legends from 2012-2018. Matthew was Cameron McDougal and participated 2015-2018. The prospective groom is a 2016 graduate of Salado High School and is self-employed at Ritch Drafting and Design. The prospective bride is in her third year at Texas A&M Veterinary Schools. The couple will marry at Chapel Dulcinea in Austin on Dec. 13, 2021 with a reception to follow at The Wildflower Barn in Driftwood. They will live in College Station.

Salado Church of Christ



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WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

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6:00 PM Kingdom Kids (Kindergarten - 6th grade)
6:00 PM Student Midweek (7th - 12th grade)
6:00 PM Adult Bible Study
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Call church office for additional information (254) 947-5456

Drive-by Thanksgiving Lunch will be served Nov. 20 at Thomas Arnold Elem.

Heart and Hands Ministries is serving the community with a Community Thanksgiving Luncheon, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Nov. 20 at the Thomas Arnold Elementary School building #2.

This will be a drive-by meal with each meal having turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes, corn, green beans and a roll. No pre-registration necessary.

Last year, Heart and Hands Ministries delivered 275 meals to families in the community this way.

This is sponsored by Heart and Hands Ministries with support Salado UMC, Salado Baptist Church, Salado Church of Christ, St. Joseph Episcopal, Presby-

terian Church of Salado, 3C Cowboy Fellowship and St. Stephen Catholic Church.

Heart and Hands Ministries serves more than 45 families each month with food distributions twice a month on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month 9-11 a.m. In the month of November and December, the next food distributions are on Dec. 4 and Dec. 18.

The Heart and Hands Ministries of Salado had its beginnings in the early 1990's as a food pantry in a small closet at the First Baptist Church. As the community grew so did the needs, making it necessary to relocate the pantry to a larger more centralized facility. In the fall of 2017 Heart and Hands Ministries opened the pantry at 213 Mill Creek Dr in the Brookshire Plaza.

"Our goal is to help alleviate hunger by providing nutritious food, personal care items, and social service information to those who need them," said Pat Scarbrough, director of the Heart and Hands Ministries. "Our hope is to sustain, strengthen, and educate individuals/families that live in our community and surrounding areas. We also

strive to give people opportunities for personal and spiritual growth by sharing the love of Jesus through our service."

"We want each person who comes to feel welcomed, invited in, and seen as a valuable person. We hope to encourage people through conversations while they wait and while they select their groceries," she added. "Many people who come through are discouraged and depressed as their life circumstances are difficult, but we hope to share a smile of hope with them as well as meeting a basic need."

If you would like to donate to Heart and Hands Ministries, you can do so online or via the mail. To donate online, visit the First Baptist Church of Salado Donation Page at <https://secure.accesssacs.com/access/oglogin.aspx?sn=140024>. Select the Designated Fund and type "Heart and Hands" in the memo line. This will route the donation to Heart and Hands Ministries.

Checks made out to Heart and Hands Ministries may be mailed to: Heart and Hands Ministries, 213 Mill Creek Dr #135, Salado, Texas 76571.



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Center Circle neighbors on Homes Tour

The Salado Historical Society Tour of Homes will feature two neighbors on Center Circle on Dec. 4.

The Hendrickson-Caskey House at 717 Center Circle is named for two of Salado's most prominent citizens, John Hendrickson and William Jefferson Caskey. It is listed in the National Register of Historic Places as of 1995.

This 1871 vernacular home is owned by Bill and Bonnie Smith.

John Hendrickson was a master stone mason. He is credited with being the foreman of the old state capitol built 1852-53 and the old land office in 1856. He built the Greek Revival Mansion known as "Twelve Oaks" and the Barton House in Salado. He is also credited with building a double chimney for the mother of Governor James E. Ferguson and walking off after saying to the widow that it was alright with him and she need never pay for it. Sixty years later his



Hendrickson-Caskey House at 717 Center Circle



Jimmy and Kathy Smith, Modern Farmhouse at 801 Center Circle

one is different and interesting. After all, "Jesus is the Reason for the Season".

Plaids and burlap are used to accent the live tree by the original fireplace. Our family collection of oil lamps light the way throughout the home. The kitchen sports a Lawson Window Refrigerator and four glass butter churns dating from the 1920's.

Jimmy and Kathy Smith Modern Farmhouse
801 Center Circle

The home of Jimmy and Kathy Smith is located next to the Hendrickson-Caskey Home. This two-story board and batten farmhouse has large cedar columns along the open front porch. The v-groove metal roof accents the limestone chimney and a flat stone walkway leads to the Texas Star front door.

The first floor is an open concept with kitchen, dining and living room. Jimmy, a master carpenter, completed the interior of the home with Kathy's expert design and painting. The walls on the first floor are shiplap with bead board ceilings. Second floor walls are shiplap with weathered tin ceilings. Jimmy built all the cabinets and shelving in the home and made the barn door concealing the laundry room.

The fireplace is limestone with a unique design of petrified wood collected over the years by the Smiths. The mantel is polished red cedar.

There are family antiques and collections throughout the home. The dining table is one of a kind made from a door with family photos displayed under glass. A spiral staircase with Texas Star accents leads to the second floor.

The covered patio is surrounded by huge trees and offers a beautiful view of the backyard.

Other stops on the Homes Tour include the home of Benny and Mary Sebastian, 408 Salado Creek Place, the home of Larry and Vickie Templin, 1111 Mill Creek Dr. and the home of Marty Ross, 409 HomePlace Lane. The Boles-Aiken Cabin and the Denman cabin on the grounds of the Salado Civic Center will also be opened for the tour.

Tickets are \$20 in advance and can be purchased online at centraltextstickets.com. Tickets can be purchased in person at the Salado Public Library 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Dec. 4 for \$25 per person.

son, W. R. Hendrickson, was assigned as inspector of Masonry and Buildings by Governor Ferguson. John Hendrickson was a mason and a Past Master of Salado Masonic Lodge #296.

William Jefferson Caskey purchased the home in 1882 from his father, John Coffey Caskey. William Jefferson was an agent for the first farmers coop in Salado known as "The Grange". An original framed receipt from The Grange is signed by Agent, W. J. Caskey and hangs in the living room of the home. Additionally, a handwritten receipt on the back of crown mold-

ing, evidence that renovations took place in May of 1893, is displayed in the living room. The penciled receipt reads "5/26/93 Caskey Moulding Sold, Salado Bell Co Tex".

William Jefferson Caskey was a mason and deacon in the First Baptist Church of Salado for 32 years. He was the charter Master of Florence Masonic Lodge #388.

Both he and his wife, Sarah Rebecca Chapman Caskey, died four days apart from pneumonia in January 1909 in the home. They are buried in Salado Cemetery. After their death the First Baptist Church purchased the home as their first parsonage.

The exterior of the home is board and batten. Entrance to the home is through the stained glass door that came from Bonnie's grandparents farmhouse in Falls County. The interior of the home has many examples of early construction with bead board ceilings, shiplap walls, wood floors, and original fireplace mantel. There are collections of mason jars, glass butter churns, oil lamps, and miniature cast iron skillets exhibited. There are five light fixtures from Chicago in the home that were converted from gas to electricity.

Along with family antiques, there will be a nativity scene in each room. Most are Joseph, Mary, and the Baby Jesus, but each

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 Floor practice at Salado Masonic Lodge #296, 95 S. Church St., 6:30 p.m. except on Stated Meeting nights.
 Open Mic with Ryan White, 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.
 Trivia with Rockin Rick, at Chupacabra, 7 p.m.

Wednesdays
 Guest food truck day at Barrow Brewing Co., 4-9 p.m.
 Game Night at Barrow Brewing Co., 4-9 p.m. Trivia with Chad on second Wed.
 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.
 Karaoke with Rockin Rick, 7 p.m. at Chupacabra.

Thursdays
 Vinyl Nite with Shannon at Barrow Brewing Co., 5 p.m.
 Teen Writing Group, Salado Public Library, 6 p.m.
 Dungeons & Dragons

group for adults at Salado Public Library, 6 p.m.
 Bikes & Brews, 6 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co.
 Run4Beer Group, 6 p.m., Barrow Brewing Co.
 Maxx Carter at Chupacabra, 6:30-9:30 p.m.
 Family Night at The Shed, specials on beer and pizzas change every week.

Fridays
 Storytime with Ms. April, Salado Public Library, 11 a.m.
 Teen Dungeons & Dragons group, 6 p.m., at Salado Public Library.
 Live Music at Chupacabra Craft Beers, 7 p.m.
 Live Music at Barrow Brewing Co. 8 p.m.

Fridays-Sundays
 All Day Gourmet food tasting, Wild Texas Cowgirl, 642A N. Main St., Blue & White House. Open late Fri & Sat! @WildTexasCowgirl-Google Us!
Saturdays
 Bikes & Brews meetup, 8 a.m., Barrow Brewing Co.
 Farmers Market at Barrow Brewing Co. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. on the grounds.
 Live Music at Chupacabra Craft Beer and Kitchen, 8 p.m.
 Live Music at Barrow Brewing Co., 8 p.m.

November 18
 Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Friends & Allies.

November 18
 Salado High School Theater performance of E.B. White's children's classic "Charlotte's Web," 6:30 p.m., SHS Cafeteria. **November 18**
 Village of Salado Aldermen meeting, 6:30 p.m. 301 N. Stagecoach Rd. Meeting will be cast via Zoom. Link will be posted at saladotx.gov 72 hours before meeting.

November 19
 Live Music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., Steve Hamende.

November 19
 Live Music at Barrow Brewing, 7:30 p.m., Fred Fuller.

November 20
 Community Thanksgiving Drive-by Luncheon 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at Salado Elementary School Bldg #2 on Thomas Arnold Rd. Heart & Hands Minitires with local churches will provide the drive-by meal.

November 20
 The Clothes Closet at Heart and Hands Ministries will be open 9-11 a.m., 213 Mill Creek Drive, Suite 135.

November 20
 Music and Arts Festival on the grounds of Barrow Brewing Co., sponsored by the Music Association of Central Texas. Artists market will be 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Local musicians on indoor and outdoor stages with headliner Patricia Vonne. Live performances by Cloud Anchor, Midnight Tradesmen, Madstone, Jon and Faith Austin, Dana Spigener, Martian Folk, KCD Band, Frank Exum, Jonna and the Mae Flies, The Soundwaves, The Resistors, Richard Paul Thomas, Scott Taylor, Justin Bravo, Ermoian Brothers, Denver Williams and Wes Perryman. For more information visit www.mactx.org or email texasfineartists@gmail.com.

November 20
 Live Music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m., David Harness.

November 21
 Barrow Brewing Co., live music, 4 p.m. Angela Banks.

November 21
 The annual Community Thanksgiving Service will be held at 6 p.m. in the Salado United Methodist Church

sanctuary. The community is invited to this event.

November 22
 Manly Monday at Susan Marie's of Salado, 5-9 p.m. Pick out her Christmas gifts while enjoying tacos and tequila!

November 25
 Thanksgiving at the Brewery, 1-4 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co., 108 Royal St. Whether you are alone or you have the family in town for Thanksgiving, you are welcome to join Barrow Brewing Co. and friends for a great meal. Sign up to bring a side or dessert. Barrow will have the turkey ready. Sign up at: <https://signup.com/go/kUINRvp>

November 25
 Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Cedar Creek.

November 25
 A Christmas Story Free Outdoor Movie Night at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m. Join Barrow Brewing after your Thanksgiving feast to kickoff the Christmas season with a classic everyone loves! A Christmas Story will play outside on the big screen at sunset. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets. Leave your Official Red Ryder carbine action two-hundred shot range model air rifle at home, because, you know, you'll shoot your eye out kid.

November 26
 Live Music at Barrow Brewing, 7 p.m., Lady in the Men's Room.

November 26
 Live Music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., Kyle Mathis.

November 27
 Heart and Hands Ministries food distribution to those in need in the Salado, Holland, Bartlett area, 9-11 a.m., 213 Mill Creek Drive, Suite 135.

November 27
 Live Music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m., Sean Eddy.

November 28
 Live Music at Barrow Brewing, 4 p.m. Dillon Havins.

December 2
 Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Southern Star.

December 2
 Salado Christmas Parade to kick off the Christmas Stroll, 6 p.m. Royal St. to Salado Civic Center. Lighted parade. Details to come.

December 3
 First Friday Breakfast, 8:30-9:30 a.m. at First Community Title Salado office, 40 N. Main St.

December 3
 Live Music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., Steve Hamende.

December 3
 Live Music at Barrow Brewing, 7:00 p.m., Chad Richard. Guest food truck, Big Tony's Philly Cheesesteaks.

December 3 & 4
 A Christmas Carol, 29th Performances, 7 p.m. Adults \$15; Students \$5; Children \$3. Tickets at gate or via central-texas tickets.com.

December 3-5
 Christmas Stroll featuring late night shopping, carolers, live entertainment throughout the village and annual Live Nativity.

December 4
 Salado Lions Club Pancake Breakfast, 7:30-10 a.m. at Salado Church of Christ Activities Center, \$6 per person, ages six and under free.. Proceeds fund Salado student scholarships and other community projects.



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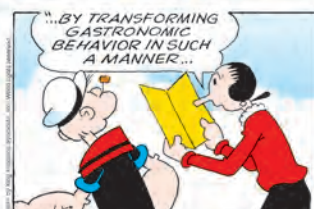
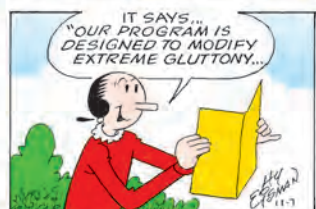
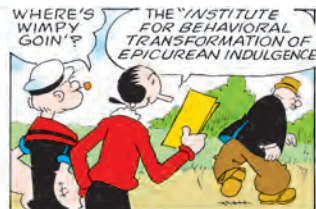
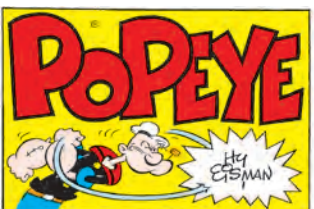
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Contract Bridge

IT'S ALMOST LIKE PEEKING

East dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

- ♠ K 4 2
- ♥ 9 8 6 3
- ♦ 8 5 4 3
- ♣ 9 8

EAST

- ♠ 8 3
- ♥ A K Q J 7 5 2
- ♦ Q 10 9
- ♣ 4

SOUTH

- ♠ Q 10 5
- ♥ 10
- ♦ A K
- ♣ A K Q J 10 6 3

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
1♥	Dble	1♠	Pass
4♥	5♣	Dble	

Opening lead — four of hearts.

Declarer already knows a great deal about the adverse hands. The play to the first two tricks showed that East started with seven hearts and West with one. Also, West must have the ace of spades for his double of five clubs.

However, West cannot have started with six spades because this would give East a singleton, and if East only had one spade, he would almost surely have returned it at trick two to obtain a ruff. West is therefore credited with four or five spades, most likely headed by the A-J. This leaves him with seven or eight minor-suit cards, probably divided 4-3 or 4-4.

Having gotten this far in his reasoning, declarer now puts his thoughts into action. He starts by cashing the A-K of diamonds, then leads a low club to the eight. A diamond is ruffed high, and another low club is led to the nine. South then ruffs dummy's last diamond and draws West's last trump.

The stage is set for the finale. West has four spades, declarer has three spades and a trump, and dummy has three spades and a heart.

South leads the spade queen, and West has no recourse. If he ducks, declarer continues with a spade toward the king. If instead West takes the queen with the ace, he must return a spade, and unless East started with the doubleton jack, South makes two tricks with the ten and king no matter which spade West returns.

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by Steve Becker

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BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Flower is reversed. 2. Glasses are reversed. 3. Collar is missing. 4. Hair is different. 5. Children are holding hands. 6. Socks are shorter.

Super Crossword

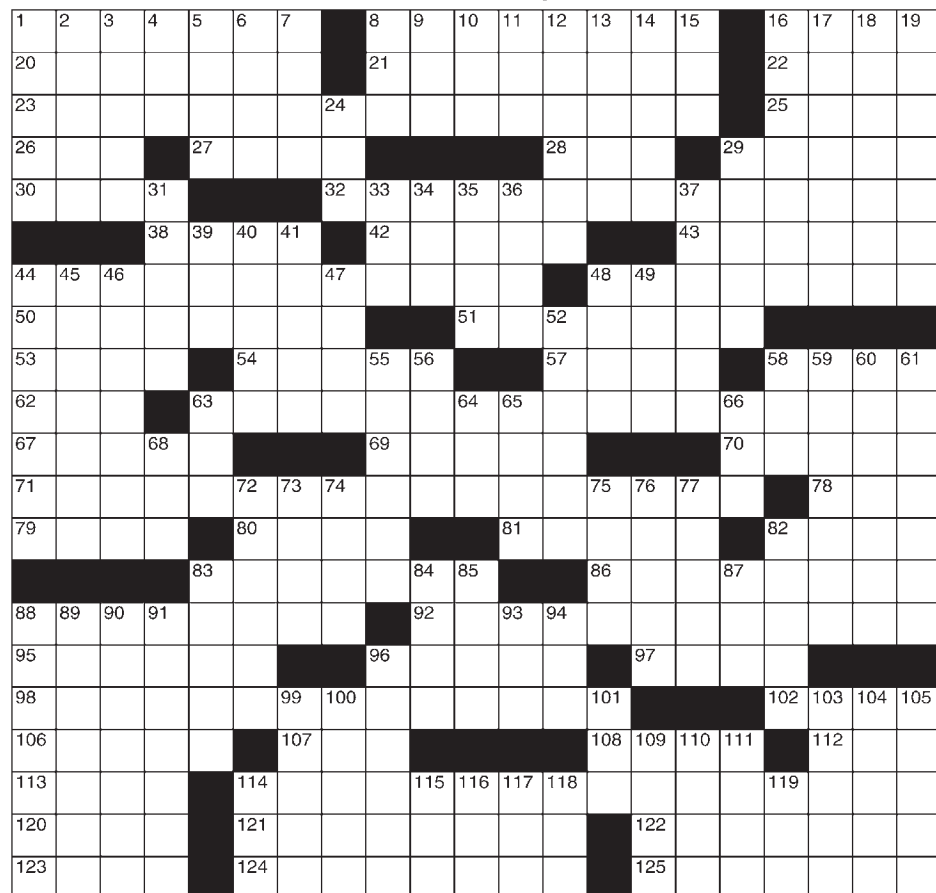
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ACROSS

- 1 Whiteboard wipers
- 8 Ballpark figure
- 16 Ballpark figure
- 20 "Working Girl" actress
- 21 Device
- 25 Gas: Prefix
- 26 "Do Ya" rock gp.
- 27 Salty Greek cheese
- 28 Figure skater
- 29 "The Pleasure — Company" (Fred Astaire film)
- 30 Musical key with two sharps: Abbr.
- 32 Brief
- 38 Napoleon exile site
- 42 Milan locale
- 43 Designer
- 44 Symbol used twice after "http."
- 48 Guys who read gas or water gauges
- 50 Open space
- 51 Dwayne who played Dobbie Gillis
- 53 Apt to snoop
- 54 Really mean
- 57 Rat — (knock noise)
- 58 Certain choir voice
- 62 Summer hrs.
- 63 Phenomenon in hypnosis
- 67 Inedible kind of orange
- 69 Christmas seasons
- 70 Whac — (carnival game)
- 71 Emily Dickinson poem with the line "Meek my Vive le roi!"
- 78 Greek letters before xis
- 79 Henchman of Captain Hook
- 80 Eerie sign
- 81 Get 40 winks
- 82 "New Jack City" actor
- 83 Actor Gavin
- 86 Birds of a given region
- 88 Eyelash cosmetics
- 92 Periodical datum indicating years
- 95 Dog collar jinglers
- 96 Duelist Burr
- 97 Radiation units
- 98 Guernsey's archipelago
- 102 Intl. oil group
- 106 Queen, in Madrid
- 107 Counterparts of egos
- 108 Skating leap
- 112 Pep rally cry
- 113 Writer Sarah — Jewett
- 114 Device on which you might see the first words of seven answers in this puzzle
- 120 Molson, e.g.
- 121 Government bureau
- 122 Deny
- 123 Little whirlpool

DOWN

- 1 Plant firmly
- 2 Ruler's land
- 3 Tinfoil maker
- 4 Cinch — (Hefty brand)
- 5 Sufficient, in dialect
- 6 In season
- 7 Bench, e.g.
- 8 Actor Byrnes
- 9 Sun, homily
- 10 Mr. Capote, to his friends
- 11 Bond creator
- 12 Make smaller
- 13 Samuel of justice
- 14 Certain choir voice
- 15 Unit of work
- 16 Newspaper employee
- 17 A ship's steerer has control of it
- 18 Ear or heart part
- 19 Isolda's love
- 24 Get 40 winks
- 29 Repeatedly
- 31 Sabbath observers, collectively
- 33 Feel crummy
- 34 Actress
- 35 Kimono tie
- 36 K thru 12
- 37 Lordly home
- 39 Cato's lang.
- 40 Singer Mars
- 41 End in — (finish even)
- 44 Groups of devotees
- 45 Arboreal marsupial
- 46 Paraphrase
- 47 Zaire's Mobutu — Seko
- 48 Business school subj.
- 49 "Zine online
- 52 Resulting in something
- 55 "Here, have a sample!"
- 56 "In — face!"
- 58 \$ dispenser
- 59 Little big cat
- 60 Part of TNT
- 61 Bad rating, perhaps
- 63 Furry friend
- 64 Mel's Diner waitress
- 65 D.C. VIPs
- 66 — Diego
- 68 "Fancy that!"
- 72 Laryngitic
- 73 Urban rec facility
- 74 Toon frames
- 75 Sports group
- 76 "When will — learn?!"
- 77 Think aloud
- 82 "You are not!" rebuttal
- 83 Carta lead-in
- 84 Roundish
- 85 Nick Jr. girl
- 87 "Fee, fi, fo, —!"
- 88 Bacterium, e.g.
- 89 Stuck
- 90 Soiled
- 91 Certain food factory
- 93 Actor
- 94 German conjunction
- 96 Green-light subject
- 100 Just kills time
- 101 — mo
- 103 Utah city
- 104 Use as a surface for a meal
- 105 Munches on
- 109 Reverse
- 110 Journey
- 111 Gusto
- 114 Pothole-filling stuff
- 115 Outdated
- 116 RCA product
- 117 Brief moment
- 118 Suffix with hobby
- 119 — tai



Trivia test

- MEASUREMENTS: How many dry quarts are in a peck?
- GEOGRAPHY: What's the name of the island where the Statue of Liberty stands?
- MUSIC: Which composer is known as "The Waltz King"?
- GEOMETRY: What is a three-sided polygon called?
- ASTRONOMY: What is it called when three celestial bodies are arranged in a straight line?
- TELEVISION: How many Huxtable children were in the long-running "The Cosby Show"?
- MOVIES: What's the name of the town in the "Halloween" horror movie series?
- SCIENCE: What does the acronym FM stand for?
- LITERATURE: Which famous novel begins with the line, "Happy families are all alike; every unhappy family is unhappy in its own way"?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What color is alabaster?

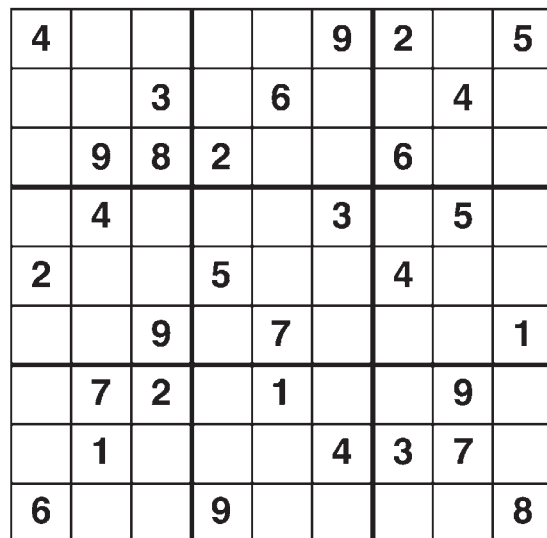
Answers

- Eight
- Liberty Island
- Johann Strauss II
- A triangle
- Syzygy
- Five
- Haddonfield, Illinois
- Frequency modulation
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by Linda Thistle



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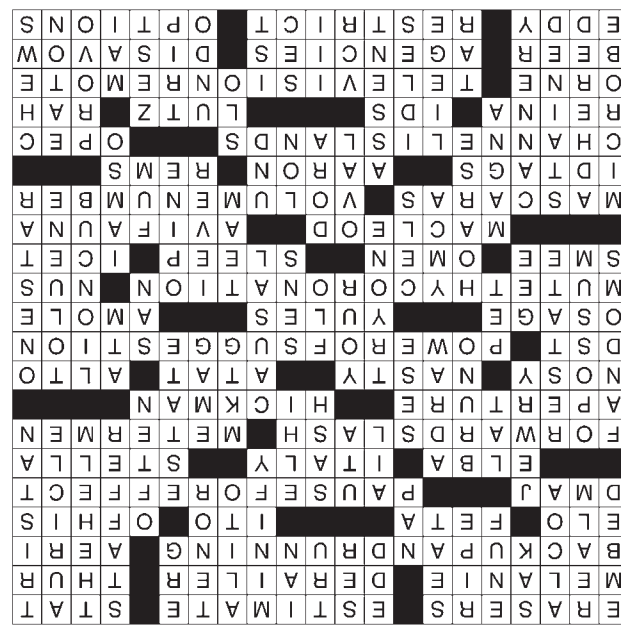
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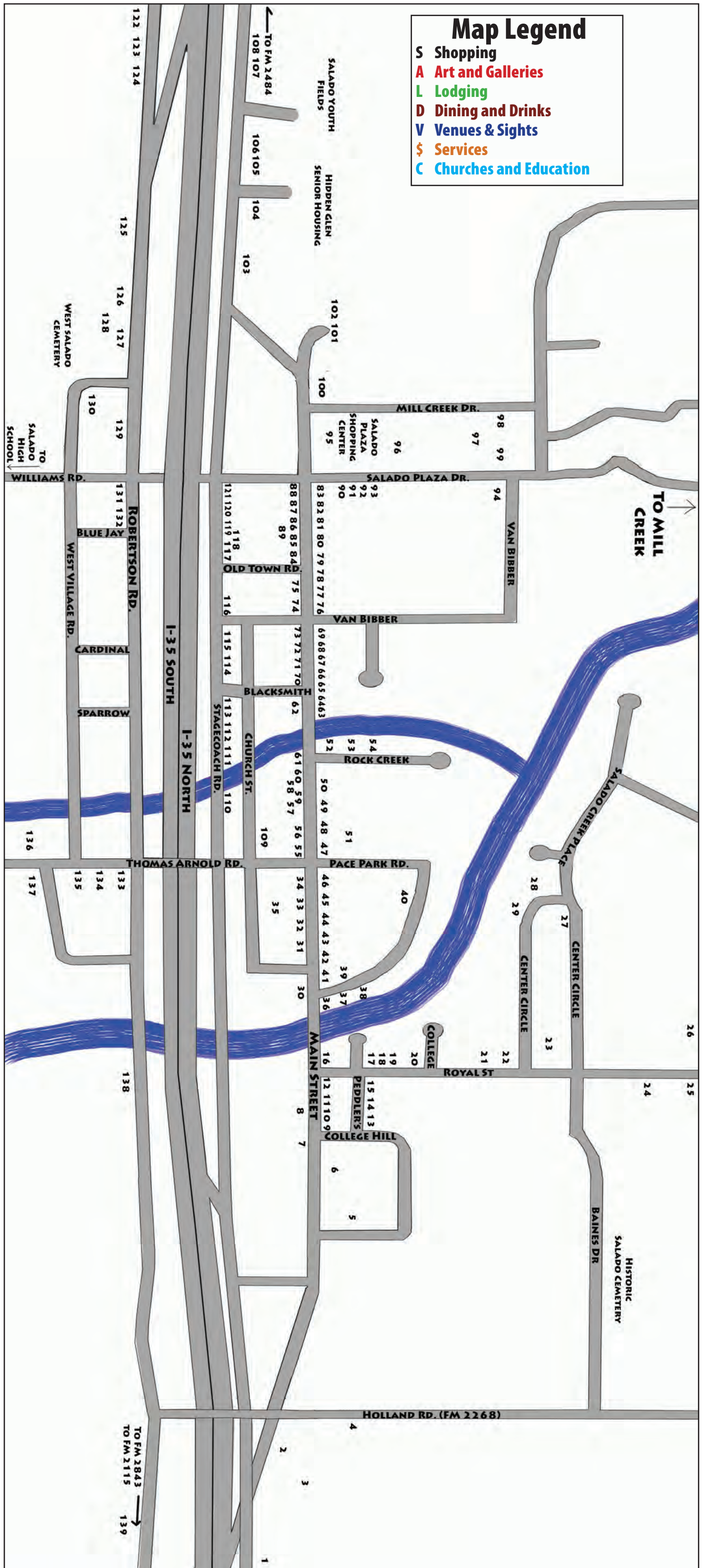
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22	The Shed 254-947-1960	D
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60	Salado Creek Jewelry 254-855-5538	S
62	The Pizza Place 254-947-0222	D
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81	Salado Wine Seller and Salado Winery Co. 254-947-8011	D
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84	Old Town Salado The Flower Shop 254-444-0277	\$ \$
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Crucial calls set back Eagles in 49-42 bi-district loss to Rusk

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Three penalty calls ended the Salado Eagles' season in the bi-district round of the playoffs, where they lost to the passing attack of the Rusk Eagles, 49-42, aided a great deal by the 12 flags thrown against them for 92 yards in penalties.

Salado overcame most of those penalties by hard running by Aidan Wilson, Adam Benavides, Seth Reavis, Kase Maedgen and senior four-year starting quarterback Hutton Haire.

The first of the three killer penalties came early in the third with Salado holding a 28-27 halftime lead over Rusk (thanks to Isaac Pettigrew blocking a point-after early in the game).

Seth Reavis took a hand off at the Salado 46 yard line and blasted past the Rusk defenders before being brought down at the Rusk 2 yard line. A holding call moved the ball back to the Salado 37 yard line. A false start pushed Salado even farther back and Salado was forced to punt, their only one of the game, an 18-yarder giving Rusk the ball near midfield. So, instead of going up by a score, Salado turned the ball over to Rusk, who in turn scored one of two TDs in the third quarter.

Rusk took the lead at 6:22 of the third on a 15 yard pass from Owen McCown to Trey Devereaux to lead 33-28. Rusk went for two and Salado broke up a pass in the endzone, but a roughing the passer gave Rusk a second shot, enough to go up 35-28 on another shot from McCown to Devereaux.

Will Dixon intercepted a Haire pass at the Salado 42 yard line and another defensive holding call on an incomplete pass was enough to set up a 30-yard TD pass from McCown to Tyler Rogers with 5:10 left in the third. Salado blocked the extra point to trail 41-28.

Salado responded with a 60-yard drive, topped by a 2-yard TD run by Haire with 10:08 left in the game. Daniel Chtay was good on the kick for Salado to close within a touchdown, 41-35.

Rusk answered with their final TD, overcoming a false start and a holding penalty that pushed them back to the Salado 17 yard line. A play later McCown hit Rogers



(PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)
Isaac Pettigrew blocks an extra point during the Salado Eagles' 49-42 loss to the Rusk Eagles. For more photos, visit saladovillagevoice.com

for a TD and Rusk converted the two-point try to go ahead 49-35 with 6:40 left to play.

Salado drove 70 yards, scoring on a 25-yard run by Wilson. Chtay's kick made it 42-49 with 2:10 left to play.

Salado used two quick timeouts to keep precious seconds on the clock, but Rusk was able to get a first down and run out the clock for the victory.

In this very competitive game, Rusk scored first, taking the opening kickoff and driving 69 yards in 13 plays with McCown diving in from the Salado 1. Pettigrew blocked the PAT.

Salado answered with a 60 yard drive following Josh Huckabee's 17-yard kick return. On a third-and-5, Wilson dashed for a 55-yard TD. Chtay's kick put Salado up 7-6 with 4:32 left in the first.

Rusk drove 60 yards in five plays, scoring on a 1-yard dive by Devereaux. The PAT kick made it 13-7 Rusk.

Salado answered with an 11-play drive as Haire ran past the Rusk defense on a quarterback draw for 29 yards. Chtay made it 14-13 with 9:30 left in the half.

Six seconds later, Rusk led again thanks to McCown hitting Caleb Ferrara for a 70-yard touchdown and a 19-14 lead when the PAT kick was blocked.

Salado scored on a 30-yard run by Wilson with Chtay giving Salado a 21-19 lead with 6:25 left in the first half.

After forcing Rusk to punt for the first and only time in the game, Salado extended its lead on a 21-yard touchdown run by Reavis. Chtay made it 28-19 with 1:35 left in the half.
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Salado FC u-10 Development academy were champions this weekend in the Georgetown Fall Classic Soccer Tournament. Salado competed against teams from the greater Austin Area and placed first in their Division. Shown are (from left to right) Landon Everrett, Fisher LaCanne, Jace Ramesar, Keighton Thomas, Hunter Stock, Brigg DeLuxe, Dillon Dolouy, Landon Dildine, Jackson LaCanne and Reid Oldham. Coach Shane LaCanne



SHS Debate sweeps Region 12 meet

The Salado High School Speech and Debate Team competed against 16 other schools at the UIL ESC Region 12 Congressional Debate Meet at Salado High School Nov. 1.

Salado swept the meet for the ninth year in a row with Katy Bennett placing first, Hunter Foster placing second and James Tipton placing third. Tipton was named the Outstanding Presiding Officer in the event.

Results are as follows:
All three will represent

Salado High School at the UIL State Congressional Debate Meet on Jan. 10-12 at the University of Texas and the Texas State Capitol.

Congress is an individual contest in a large group setting. It models the legislative process of the United States Congress. Contestants draft legislation and research the docket of bills and resolutions dealing with real-world social and political policies. At the tournament, students caucus in committees, deliver formal



Salado Debate Team members (from left) James Tipton, Katy Bennett, Hunter Foster.

discourse on the merits and disadvantages of each piece of legislation, and vote to pass or defeat the measures they have debated.

The Salado High School

Speech and Debate Team will compete next at the Grandview TFA Meet on Nov. 20. The team is coached by Tim Cook.

Cattlemen's nets \$167K

Superintendent's Corner

by Dr. Michael Novotny



The Salado Education Foundation (SEF) Cattlemen's Ball raised almost \$167,000 this year! This is the most money ever raised at this event in the 20 years it has been held. All of that money will be used for scholarships for our Salado High School graduating seniors and for classroom grants for our teachers.

Thank you to SEF Board President Jennifer Angell, the SEF board members, everyone that attended and/or purchased silent auction items, and all of our sponsors.

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The fur flew on Saturday Nov. 13 during the Salado Band Mustache Dash 5K. Jeff Kelly sports a moustache while running down the stairs at the Civic Center. Meanwhile, there were lots of furry friends running alongside their owners for this event. (PHOTOS BY MENDY BROOKS)



Eagles

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Rusk used that time well, scoring on a 23-yard pass from McCown to Ferrara with 23 seconds left in the half. McCown connected with Devereaux for a two-point conversion to close the halftime gap to 28-27.

	1	2	3	4	F
SHS	7	21	0	14	42
RHS	13	14	14	8	49

Scoring Drive.

Rusk: 1st, 05:58 #7 Owen McCown runs for 1 yards. Kick no good. 0-6

Salado: 1st, 04:32 #25 Aidan Wilson runs for 55 yards. Kick by #63 Daniel Chtay is good. 7-6

Rusk: 1st, 02:36, #8 Trey Devereaux runs for 1 yards. Kick by Devereaux is good. 7-13

Salado: 2nd 09:30 #10 Hutton Haire runs for 29 yards. Kick by Chtay is good. 14-13.

Rusk: 2nd, 09:24 McCown pass complete to #12 Caleb Ferrara for 70 yards. Kick is blocked. 14-19

Salado: 2nd, 06:25, #25 Aidan Wilson runs for 30 yards. Kick by Chtay is good. 21-19

Salado: 2nd, 01:35 #2 Seth Reavis runs for 21 yards. Kick by Chtay is good. 28-19

Rusk: 2nd, 00:16. McCown pass complete to Ferrara for 23 yards. Two point conversion pass by McCown to #8 Trey Devereaux is good.)

28 27

Rusk: 3rd, 06:22 McCown pass Devereaux for 15 yards. Two point conversion pass by McCown to Devereaux good. 28-35.

Rusk: 3rd, 04:18, McCown pass complete to #15 Tyler Rogers for 30 yards. PAT kick is no good, 28-42

Salado: 4th, 10:08, Haire runs for 2 yards. Kick by Chtay is good. 35-41.

Rusk: 4th, 06:40, McCown pass complete to Rogers for 17 yards. Two-point conversion is good. 35-49.

Salado: 4th, 02:10, Wilson runs for 25 yards. Kick by Chtay is good. 42-49.

TEAM STATISTICS

	SHS	RHS
First downs	22	28
Rushes-yards	55-434	18-69
Passing yards	5	392
Comp.-Att.-Int.	1-5-1	28-35-0
Punts-average	1-17	1-28
Fumbles-lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-yards	12-92	7-38
Possession	29:03	18:57

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing

Salado: Wilson, 24-221.3 TD; Reavis, 13-98, 1 TD; Haire, 6-46-2 TD; Benavies, 8-40; Maedgen, 4-29.

Rusk: McCown, 9-47-1 TD; Devereaux, 6-21-1 TD;

Passing

Rusk: McCown, 38-25, 392 yards, 5 TDs.

Salado: Haire, 1-5-1, 5 yards.



Victoria Giganti signed a letter of intent to play Softball next year at Northeast Texas Community College last week. Giganti has been on the varsity squad since she was a sophomore. As a junior she had three hits in 21 plate appearances, with an RBI. She also scored eight runs and earned six walks. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Lady Eagles start off basketball season 1-1

The Saldao Lady Eagles have started off the basketball season with a loss to Lorena Lady Leopards and a win over the Gatesville Lady Hornets.

Salado lost to Lorena 52-30 on Nov. 8 in a home game.

Ally Ihler and Darci Pryor led the girls with 7 points each. Ihler had 5 rebounds, 3 steals and a deflected shot. Pryor had 2 rebounds, a steal and a deflection.

Brooke McLaurin followed with 6 points and 7 rebounds.

Kenslee Konarik had 4 points, 8 rebounds, a steal and 3 deflected shots.

Reese Witmer had 4 points, 3 rebounds, an assist.

Harley Droulliard had 2 points, 3 rebounds, 2 assists and 2 deflections.

The Lady Eagles poured it on the Lady Hornets in

the second half of their contest on Nov. 12, scoring 15 points in both the third and fourth quarters while holding the Hornets to just 6 points. The girls won the game 50-22.

Kenslee Konarik led Salado with 19 points, 17 rebounds, an assist and 8 steals.

She was followed by Ally Ihler, 9 points, 4 rebounds, an assist, a steal and 5 deflections.

Harley Droulliard scored 7 points, 2 rebounds, 3 assists, 2 steals and a deflection.

Marissa Lancaster scored 5 points, 1 rebound, 3 steals and 3 deflections.

Nikki Poole had 2 points, 2 steals and 4 deflections.

Elly Wade had 2 points, 5 rebounds, a steal and a deflection. Brooke McLaurin had 2 points, 12 rebounds, an assist and 2 steals.

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Wrestlers hit mats Nov. 20 for Thanksgiving Throwdown

Salado High School Wrestling's first home match, the Thanksgiving Throwdown, will put wrestlers from Salado against competitors from Round Rock Westwood Warriors, Gatesville Hornets and Cameron Yoemen. Action will begin on two mats at 11 a.m. in the Main Competition Gym at Salado High School on Nov. 13. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$2 for students and may be purchased online at TicketSpicket.com. The SHS wrestling team is coached in its first year by Andy Gomez.



ANGEL WARRIORS IN BOOTS 5K

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The Angel Warriors in Boots 5K on Nov. 13 had more than 200 runners. Christopher Mac Miller, son of veteran Chris and Jodi Miller won first place in the male division. He gave his gold medal to Patricia Howard, an 85-year-old runner. Foster Dittmer was second place and Salado cross country runner Luke Anderson was third. Luke's mother, Jaime Anderson, won the female division, followed by Madeleine Quick and Lynda Ruffino. The event was organized by Corey and Kimmie Turk. It raised more than \$5,000 for the Boot Campaign.

COVID drove a wedge between parents and schools, and Texas must pull them back together

By MARGARET SPELLINGS

A good education has always required a partnership between parents, teachers and policymakers. That's never been more apparent than in the era of COVID-19, and it should guide Texas as we determine the best way to educate future generations.

When the pandemic shuttered schools, parents rallied alongside teachers. Then, as education pivoted to online teaching, parents with broadband turned homes into classrooms. Despite these adjustments, learning during the pandemic was frustrating and often unproductive, leading to a significant drop in student reading and math skills.

Meanwhile, in many places, the partnership between elected officials, educators and parents grew strained. In Virginia, for instance, parents were shocked to hear a gubernatorial candidate say, "I don't think parents should be telling schools what they should teach."

In Texas and beyond, school board meetings have turned heated over conflicting concerns about curriculum, books and pandemic-related directions — often overtaking concerns about student achievement, mental health and broad-

band access.

In August, Texas 2036 polled Texas voters on numerous issues and found they shared an overwhelming concern about the state's future. Such concern was particularly pronounced among parents: 54% of mothers with school-age children thought schools didn't handle the pandemic well, and nearly twice as many parents described online learning as a "disappointment" or "failure" (50%) than a success (26%).

Worst of all, 52% of Texas voters polled said the state is in worse shape than it was this time last year; only 13% said the state is headed in a better direction.

If left unaddressed, growing frustrations will continue to drive headlines, elections and school board meetings. And perhaps more important, these forces threaten to distract us from what should be our single-minded purpose: student achievement. Given that more than 60% of Texas fourth graders cannot read or perform math at grade level, it's time to get back to basics. It's time to empower those who know the students best: parents.

Core to parents' ability to engage in constructive conversations about their children is standardized assessment testing that can objectively show whether a school is meeting its obligations to children and helping them reach their full potential.

Parents need — and want — actionable and timely data on how their child is progressing; that empowers parents to have transparent conversations with educators. We can't break the feedback loop by reducing or eliminating assessments. And when we get that data, we must be prepared to act on it.

Our polling shows that Texans want data about student learning and decisive action to follow when needed. Almost every parent polled (96%) thinks it's essential to have standardized testing data so resources can be targeted to children needing support.

In addition, most parents we polled (84%) support quicker state interventions when a school fails to meet accountability standards. More than half think the state should intervene within two years rather than waiting the current standard, five. Finally, 82% of parents support allowing the parents of a child at a failing school, or a school that fails to adequately meet the child's needs, to choose another school.

In a post-pandemic Texas, parents need a transparent accountability system with an honest depiction of how their child's school is performing. At the same time, they also support systems that quickly force improvements or find more appropriate options to meet their child's needs.

Parents want to help shape their child's education. It's time we listen and empower them to do so.

Margaret Spellings is chief executive of Texas 2036 and former U.S. secretary of education.

This op ed first ran in the Dallas Morning News.

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New artificial reefs, habitat structures installed

BELTON – Anglers have more spots to search for the perfect catch at Belton Lake thanks to some recently installed artificial reefs and habitat structures. The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) Waco and Forth Worth Inland Fisheries Districts partnered with multiple organizations and volunteers to complete the project which will significantly enhance the fishery.

The design of the project called for four large artificial reefs and was one of the largest collaborative projects the Waco Inland Fisheries District has done to date. Numerous partners and contributors supported TPWD to make this initiative possible. Texas B.A.S.S Nation, Tincup Whiskey,

Texas Anglers Bass Club and Centex Bass Hunters volunteers, Baylor University student volunteers, Brazos River Authority, U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, Mossback Fish Habitat, and Quality Brick Works.

Artificial reefs provide cover for bass, catfish, crappie and other species. Belton Lake is a popular spot for anglers in Central Texas and this project is part of an overall plan to improve the fishery. Most of the shoreline provides very steep, rocky fish habitat. Majestic tall bluffs and long rocky points are most common, although sand and mud flats can be found up the Leon River and Cowhouse Creek arms. The lake has little aquatic vegetation and timber is limited in

many areas, so these new reefs are a welcome addition.

TPWD constructed and placed Georgia cubes which are a 4'x4'x4' frame of 1 1/2" schedule 40 pvc with 100' of flexible black perforated pvc drainage pipe contained within. The project team also assembled and placed 60 Mossback "Trophy Trees," 24 Mossback "Safe Havens," and 2 Mossback "Conservation Cubes." A total of four fish reefs were created, three of which consisted of six Georgia cubes, 15 Trophy Trees, and six Safe Havens. The other reef was made up of five Georgia cubes, 15 Trophy Trees, six Safe Havens, and two conservation Cubes.

With the new structures in place, TPWD biologists

followed up to see the early results. The evaluation used sonar and discovered that fish were using the structures less than two weeks after installation.

Coordinates for these new spots are:=
Reef 1: N 31.14600, W -97.51780
Reef 2: N 31.14142, W -97.50919
Reef 3: N 31.14196, W -97.50539
Reef 4: N 31.14517, W -97.48168

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Journey

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I logged and recorded and measured everything I ate and drank. I logged my walks (which began on Main Street with less than a mile and then adding more as I could do it).

In the first six months following surgery, I lost 100 lbs. Since then, in the last six months, I have lost another 40 lbs.

At the six month visit, I was told to increase my protein intake to 60 grams per day, which I hit regularly and without depending on protein shakes or powders.

This surgery gave me the tool to develop discipline in my approach at life. I plan ahead with menus to follow, knowing that life throws curve balls at you. I leave flexibility in my plan and adapt to changes in my schedule.

I am still losing weight, but have begun to add muscle, thanks to Gary Bartlett and Joe Young (owner and personal trainer, respectively at Anytime Fitness in the Salado Plaza Shopping Center). For anyone beginning to lift weights, start with a trainer who can help prevent you from hurting yourself and can teach you exercises that can challenge you.

Most days, I wake up at 6 a.m. and hit Main Street by 6:30 a.m. I love our sidewalks! It makes for a safe and beautiful walk up Main Street, which is dotted with so much art and history and stunning views. I park my truck at Michael Pritchett's Sirril Gallery and walk up Main St. to Anytime, lift weights for 30-45 minutes, and walk back to the truck. On the weekends, I make it around College Hill ruins and College Hill drive to stretch the two-mile walk into a three-mile walk.

I discovered Librivox, which is an audiobook app that features literature that is in the open domain. The books are free and are read by volunteers who love reading these stories. I have listened to classics ranging from The Count of Monte Cristo to H. Rider Haggard's She trilogy to Myths and Legends of Greece and Rome to Marcus Aurelius'

Meditations to Alice's Adventures in Wonderland. I have so much more to listen to in the years ahead!

I keep a food scale at home and one at my office to measure the dense foods (meats, nuts, avocados) because I still don't trust my eyes. When I eat out, I opt for the lean meats: sirloin, tenderloin, chicken breast and fish.

I haven't "eliminated" anything. I "avoid" certain types of foods, meaning I don't eat them often at all.

I avoid fried foods. First, because of my GERD and secondly because of the high fat content.

I avoid white foods: white bread, white potatoes, white rice and white salad dressings. I still use blue cheese dressing sparingly and rarely (and appreciate it more on those few occasions when I do). I opt for oil based dressings instead. I have my "go-to" foods: I bake egg cups with a mixture of eggs, egg whites and a protein like lean Canadian bacon to eat on during the week. I also eat smoked salmon with a small dollop of cream cheese on a quarter of a bagel as a regular breakfast.

We bake, broil and grill a lot more in our house and I look for those options when on the road.

I don't always choose wisely. When I choose poorly, though, I don't let it become habitual and I don't kick myself for it. I make far fewer bad choices than I ever did before.

A week or so ago, I had my one year check up with Dr. Hassan. We ran a thorough screen of blood tests to see how I was doing and I want to share my progress with you, my readers and friends and community.

My cholesterol is 20 points in the normal range. My HDL cholesterol (the good stuff) is 48, well within the normal range, something I have not achieved in the 16 years since my heart attack. My blood sugar is 80. Before surgery, it was edging into pre-diabetes range above 100.

The doctor and I are

weaning myself off of the blood pressure and cholesterol medicines. I no longer take gout medicines because I am not eating garbage that contributes to gout. I do not need to take omeprazole because I am not eating garbage that contributes to GERD symptoms. And I rarely use my CPAP machine because I have taken three inches of fat off of my throat.

This week, I hit 150 lbs. of weight loss from my high weight of 365 in August-September 2020.

In year two, I want to take off another 20 lbs. to get to below 200 lbs. for the first time in over 30 years.

I share this with you not to brag or to pat myself on the back but in hopes that another person who faces the hardships that come with morbid obesity might find hope and a long-term solution. Also, to be a reminder to me of how far I have come and what I have left in front of me.

I have had friends who have known me for years turn around and come back. "I don't recognize you."

Join the club. I don't recognize myself either and it is humbling to say the least.

In fact, I was scrolling through Jami Smith's Facebook post from Burt's retirement reception and went past a photo of myself with Burt that I did not recognize. "Who is that?" I thought and then scrolled back. "Holy (&^%*! That's me!"

This surgery, this tool, has given me a chance at a better life. Every day I am grateful for the health I have discovered. Every day I am grateful for the chance to be Dodo to my grandchildren, Dad to my kids, Son to my mother, brother and uncle.

Most of all, though, I am grateful for more time to be Husband and Lover to Marilyn Fleischer, who has loved me so hard and so loyally and so strong for so many years, through sickness and health.

Thanks, friends, for letting me get that last bit of weight off of my chest.

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A vehicle was found abandoned on interstate 35 Northbound near mile marker 285. The vehicle had been left at that location for more than 48 hours. The vehicle was subsequently towed.

11/13/2021:
Officers responded to the

700 block of Center Circle in reference to a verbal domestic disturbance. Upon arrival it was discovered that the custodial parent refused to allow her ex-husband to see the children due to his current mental state. The former spouse was issued a criminal trespass warning and advised to not return to the residence.

In addition to the above-mentioned calls, Salado Police Officers handled the many other calls for service in which a report was not required. To the right is a breakdown of those calls:

Call Type:	#
Alarm Business	0
Alarm Residential	0
Animal Complaint	3
Area Check	2
Assist Another Agency	2
Calls for Service	56
Citations	33
Citizen Contact	4
Civil Matter	3
Crash	2
Criminal Trespass	1
Follow Up Investigation	2
House Watch/RU OK?	40
Man with a gun	2
Medical	5
Public Service	9
Reckless Conduct	1
Reckless Driving	4
Special Assignment	6
Stranded Motorist	2
Street Blocked	1
Suspicious Circumstances	2
Towed Vehicle	1
Traffic Control	3
Traffic Hazard	1
Violation of Village Ordinance	1
Welfare Concern	2

Salado Fire Department Report Nov. 7-13

Date	Address	Incident Type
11/07/2021	MAIN ST, Salado	Unconscious / Fainting
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11/07/2021	ARMSTRONG LN, Bell County	Hemorrhage / Laceration
11/07/2021	STAGECOACH RD, Bell County	Motor Vehicle Accident with Injuries
11/08/2021	CACTI LN, Bell County	Overdose / Poisoning
11/08/2021	WILLOW CREEK RD, Salado	Chest Pains
11/09/2021	WILLIAMS RD, Bell County	Difficulty Breathing
11/09/2021	ROSE LN, Bell County	Stroke
11/09/2021	UNION GROVE PARK RD, Bell County	Search for Person in Water
11/09/2021	BUGLE DR, Bell County	Sick Person
11/10/2021	ROSE WAY, Salado	Lift Assist
11/10/2021	INDIAN TRL, Salado	Lift Assist
11/10/2021	INTERSTATE 35, Salado	PD Assist
11/11/2021	DOVES LANDING CT, Bell County	Falls
11/11/2021	LYNDAL LN, Bell County	Unknown Status - Man Down
11/11/2021	AMITY RD, Bell County	Psychiatric / Abnormal Behavior
11/11/2021	MILL CREEK DR, Salado	Convulsions / Seizures
11/11/2021	PRAIRIE LN, Bell County	Dispatched & Cancelled en route
11/12/2021	INTERSTATE 35, Bell County	False Alarm
11/12/2021	SALADO CREEK PL, Salado	Sick Person
11/12/2021	HACKBERRY RD, Bell County	Chest Pains
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NEIGHBORHOODS

Spring Creek - Salado's newest neighborhood, West of town on FM2484 Beautiful hardwood trees. The peaceful spot you've been searching for to build your new home. Few miles out of Salado, a short drive from Belton, Harker Heights and Georgetown.
Mill Creek Meadows - Dream home on a golf course? Whether you are a golfer or just enjoy overlooking a well-maintained course from your home, Mill Creek Meadows is for you! Gated, community park within strolling distance of Mill Creek Golf Course and a golf cart ride away from Salado shopping and dining.
Mystic River - Lots overlooking the Leon River. Neighborhood shaded by a canopy of Live Oak and Pecan trees, walk from your back door to your personal dock at the river bank.

ACREAGE

10 Acres along I-35 frontage, sewage available \$1,750,000
25 Acres on the Leon River, Belton
5 Acres 2251 County Road 234 Georgetown, TX 78633
300 Acres 0000 CR 212 Coolidge, TX 76635
4.488 I-35 and Rose Lane
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