



BoA to discuss Sanctuary

Salado aldermen will consider amendments to the Sanctuary Agreements as part of a full agenda for their 6:30 p.m. Dec. 16 meeting.

In other business, aldermen will consider two ordinances, both related to the Salado sewer system. The first will extend the time and authorize the pricing officer to approve the amount, interest rates, price and terms for refunding the wastewater bonds in an effort to save money over their remaining lifetime.

The second calls for an increase in the wastewater fees. The ordinance, if approved, will increase the base residential fee from \$20 to \$21.77 per month. For commercial customers, this will increase the fee for low-impact customers from \$40 per month to \$43.54 per month. High impact customers will pay a base

fee of \$65.31 per month, up from \$60. The volumetric rate will increase from \$8 per 1,000 gallons to \$8.71 per month. For low impact commercial, rates will increase from \$11 per 1,000 to \$11.97 while it will increase from \$16 to \$17.42 per 1,000 gallons per month for high-impact customers.

The board will also consider approval of construction plat for West Amity Duplexes, a 23.627 acre development in the Village Extra Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ). The development will have 21 lots, the smallest of which is 0.75 acre. Salado Water Supply Corporation will provide water and wastewater will be on-site septic facilities.

The board will also consider approval of a Concept Plan for Sage Hill at Amity, located in the ETJ of Salado. The development is located

between West Amity Road and FM 2484 and is a proposed 22.89 acre residential development. There will be 30 lots. Access will be from Few Oaks Drive. Water will be Salado Water Supply Corporation and wastewater will be on-site septic systems.

The board may create a task force to develop a proposed recreational vehicle ordinance to regulate the parking of recreational vehicles within the corporate limits of Salado.

Aldermen may consider adding Bluff Circle to the Village street maintenance inventory and declaring it a public street.

The board may extend recent amendments to subdivision ordinance until June 2022.

The board may discuss closing Main Street during the Christmas Stroll 2022. No action taken on this item.



St. Joseph's Episcopal Church's annual Posada made its way from College Hill to the church on the north end of Main Street on Dec. 11. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Reality sets in for residents when dirt begins to move

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Linda Griffith came out the front door of her house on San Juan wearing a mask.

"It's not what you think," she said. "It's that I can't breathe since they started all of this..."

Her words stop as she points to the large mounds of rock and dirt piled just beyond her property line on the Sanctuary North tract on which work began in earnest last month.

We talk above the constant beep beep beep of the dirt moving equipment. The noise is annoying to say the least, as is the constant grind of steel against rock.

Six years after a massive development agreement was signed between the Village of Salado and Sanctuary, Linda and her husband Richard Paul Thomas are some of the first to see (and hear and breathe) the reality of what progress and development of Sanctuary means for Salado.

In November 2015, then-mayor Skip Blancett and Sanctuary's principal owner Billie Hanks, Jr. signed the Sanctuary agreements for the 300+ acre multi-use master planned development. In that agreement is the following agreed-upon Land Uses: 515,000 heated square feet of commercial, 40,000 HSF of entertainment venue, 355 rooms of lodging, 575 units

of multi-family, multi-story living units, 130 multi-family townhouses and duplexes, 364 single family residences and 500 space parking garages to serve the properties. The Sanctuary Developer can make changes of up to 20% in those Land Uses without seeking further permission from the Village. So, instead of 545 apartments, more than 650 apartments could be built, offset by decreases in other land uses, such as single family living.

These permitted land uses were outlined on page 2 of the Executive Summary of the document "Sanctuary Entitlements," completed April 7, 2016 when the board of aldermen approved the Development and Design Standards (Ordinance 2016.09, which is not available in the list of ordinances on saladotx.gov).

The first work on Sanctuary are two residential portions. One is a 180+ single family homes off of Royal, across from the Methodist Church. The homes are on lots as small as 0.12 acre and one of the entrances feeds into Royal right at the 90° turn. Work began on this Phase with a gold shovel ground breaking in March 2020.

Twenty months later, no roads are completed, no sewer tie-ins, no tax-paying residents.

Dirt broke on the Water's Edge apartment development



Work has begun on Water's Edge. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

off of South Main Street last month. Where Linda and Richard used to look out over a valley dotted with trees and some man-made ponds, 210 apartments will be built.

iintoo.com, on its investment page on Water's Edge, calls it a "high-end development project catering to working professionals."

"The asset's modern and efficient design, high-quality finishes, and premium amenities will cater to tenants looking for suburban rental options that can match the

comfort and convenience of private homeownership," states the iintoo.com real estate investment website (<https://login.iintoo.com/US/pub/1BtWvRr>). Salado has attracted a well-educated, white-collar demographic, and many Salado residents are commuters who are eager to escape the climbing home prices of larger neighboring cities."

Construction of Phase 1 is expected to take 18 months. According to a presentation made to aldermen Feb. 25,

Phase 1 of the development will be 210 units of apartments along with a resort-style pool, a leasing headquarters and clubhouse and a dog park.

The first phase will have seven three- or four-story apartment buildings. Phase 1 will have nine studio apartments, 77 one bedroom apartments, 92 two-bedroom apartments and 32 three-bedroom apartments.

The studio apartments are 610 sq. ft. One bedroom apartments are 724-788 sq.

ft. The two-bed apartments are 1,108-1,170 sq. ft. and the three bedroom apartments are 1,331 sq. ft.

All parking is interior of the complex, not outside the footprints of the buildings themselves, according to James Zavodny, an architect with RREAF Holdings, which is building Waters Edge.

Phase 2 will be an expansion of multi-family residential with 90 units. The third

Sales tax rebates to Village 21% higher than 2020 checks

Bell County continues to show dramatic increases in sales tax revenues compared to 2020, with all but two of the 11 cities that levy sales taxes showing double digit increase in their December sales tax checks compared to December 2020.

Village of Salado showed an increase of 19% over last December. The Village received \$60,722.81 compared to \$50,924.31 in Dec. 2020.

For the year, Salado is running 21% ahead of 2020, having received \$691,802.45 compared to \$569,798.06 through Dec. 2020.

The Village is one of three Bell County cities to levy a 1 cent sales tax, while seven other Bell County cities levy

a 1.5 cent sales tax and Rogers levies a 1.25 cent sales tax.

The Salado Public Library District and Bell County each levy a half-cent sales tax.

For that half-cent tax, Salado Public Library District received a \$50,328.09 December check, which was 23% more than last December's payment of \$40,845.38. For the year, the Library District is running 22% ahead of 2020.

It has received \$573,239.68 in 2021, compared to \$467,841.73 through 2020.

Bell County received \$2.3 million in December, compared to \$2.0 million in December 2020. For 2021,

Sales tax rebates for December 2021 to Bell County taxing entities

Entity	Rate	Dec. 2021	Dec. 2020	Change	YTD 2021	YTD 2020	Change
Belton	1.500%	\$553,944.76	\$473,013.72	17.10%	\$7,400,996.61	\$6,108,700.13	21.15%
Harker Heights	1.500%	\$749,233.79	\$666,003.35	12.49%	\$9,816,853.95	\$8,042,366.57	22.06%
Holland	1.000%	\$8,045.55	\$8,666.85	-7.16%	\$101,654.52	\$107,236.52	-5.20%
Killeen	1.500%	\$2,488,367.41	\$2,228,386.83	11.66%	\$31,504,838.17	\$26,772,341.47	17.67%
LR-Academy	1.000%	\$8,991.94	\$7,518.25	19.60%	\$125,137.40	\$107,040.76	16.90%
Morgans Point	1.500%	\$26,677.11	\$20,780.53	28.37%	\$333,169.07	\$299,836.57	11.11%
Nolanville	1.500%	\$133,013.97	\$131,269.88	1.32%	\$1,704,127.57	\$1,211,349.84	40.68%
Rogers	1.250%	\$8,243.93	\$7,004.45	17.69%	\$107,295.30	\$97,256.46	10.32%
Salado	1.000%	\$60,722.81	\$50,924.31	19.24%	\$691,802.45	\$569,798.06	21.41%
Temple	1.500%	\$2,378,133.15	\$2,058,891.70	15.50%	\$29,239,892.98	\$24,773,832.37	18.02%
Troy	1.500%	\$60,073.92	\$47,597.29	26.21%	\$699,021.93	\$566,056.07	23.48%
Salado Library	0.500%	\$50,328.09	\$40,845.38	23.21%	\$573,239.68	\$467,841.73	22.52%
Bell	0.500%	\$2,266,889.82	\$1,972,550.06	14.92%	\$27,943,715.75	\$23,261,677.10	20.12%

the County is running 20% ahead of 2020. This year, Bell County has been paid \$28 million, compared to \$23.3 million through December 2020.

Comptroller Glenn Hegar sent cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$936 million in local sales tax allocations for December, 18.4 percent

more than in December 2020. Allocations are based on sales made in October by businesses that report tax monthly.

Of those allocations, the

Comptroller sent \$596.8 million to cities, \$204.1 million to transit systems, \$54.8 million to counties, \$80.3 million to Special Purpose Taxing Districts.

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Supply chain bottlenecks driving surge in inflation

The Markets

Once more, if a person tracked the bad news reporting, particularly regarding the one-year inflation rate, it would be reasonable to assume that the U.S. stock market would have fallen off a cliff for the week ending on December 10. Instead, our preferred if flawed indicator of such things, the S&P 500 Stock Index (SPX) soared 3.82% to 4712.02, setting a new record closing high. The Index is now up 25.45% this year and 28.62% from a year ago. The other stock index we follow, the CRSP Mid-Cap Value Index joined in the party, rising 2.86% to 2550.96 and is now up 24.35% year to date.

The healthy fear factor that is a driving force in a bull market is still in place in the media and by stock investors. While the headline SPX and Dow Jones Industrial Index are hitting record highs, beneath the surface, there are more stocks hitting new lows rather than new highs. That ratio is important because historically major bull markets have signaled their coming demise as almost all stocks start hitting 52-week highs, regardless of the health of the underlying company. The number of new lows suggests the stock market may have room to grow.

The benchmark 10-year U.S. Treasury note yield, largely discounting the many published alarms about higher rates ahead and news about current high inflation, rose 6.51% to 1.484% but remained well below the 1.64% it held through much of October. West Texas Intermediate crude oil (WTI) prices rose along with the 10-year yield to \$71.98, about 8.7% higher than last week but still down about 11% for the trailing 30 days.

The Economy

As was widely forecast by economists, the Consumer Price Index (CPI) rose 6.8% in November from one year ago. That one-year

Market & Economic Update

By Jeffrey W. McClure



number was the highest since 1982, and is the sixth monthly, one-year number to be above 5%. The Core Index, a subset of the CPI that removes the often-volatile food and fuel prices, was up 4.9%. The redeeming grace seemed to be that the high number was so well forecast, and the forecasts were so accurate. One of the reasons the stock market reacted to the "bad news" by rising was that those same economists that forecast the 6.8% number are also forecasting that inflation will start falling in 2022 and within six to twelve months should be down in the 2% range. Meanwhile, wages rose 4.3% over the same period and it appears that major corporations are budgeting for a 3.9% increase in employee compensation in 2022.

A careful analysis of this surge in inflation reveals that it appears to be quite different from the inflation we saw in the 1970s and early 80s. Back then, inflation was almost solely generated by rapidly rising demand as consumers bought on credit as soon as they could, in anticipation of higher prices to come. This episode of inflation does indeed have a demand element to it, but that element is relatively minor. The major cause continues to be a shortage driven by the supply chain bottlenecks. Used cars and light trucks, for example, rose 31% while new vehicle prices were up 11%. Those price increases occurred in an environment where personal vehicle sales were still down significantly from 2019. Gasoline and fuel oil too have risen at unsustainable rates of 58% and 59% respectively over the past twelve months. Literally no one expects those rises to occur again over

the next twelve months. If we pull out the unsustainable elements of the CPI report, general inflation falls to about 3.4% over the last year, and even that number is artificially high as demand was depressed by the pandemic a year ago in many areas. In short, the underlying numbers driving the high one-year inflation rate appear to be suggesting not a wage-price spiral as we had a half century ago, but rather a pandemic-driven event that will fade over the next one to two years.

In a non-headline-making report, the Federal Reserve reported that household net worth in the United States for the third quarter of 2021 rose to a record \$144.709 trillion. That "net" number compares quite favorably with the total household and government debt of \$63.7 trillion. The bottom line is that we, as a nation, not counting government property, have about \$208.4 trillion in assets and about \$63.7 trillion in debt. By almost any measure that is a healthy ratio.

The bottom line remains largely the same. The U.S. economy shows every sign of remaining extremely healthy and the historical indicators of a coming downturn remain subdued or non-existent. That does not mean we are exempt from a market "correction" as there is a strong, underlying element of fear that could be easily turned into a short-term panic by external events, such as a Russian invasion of Ukraine or some other global event. Keep your powder dry and recognize that bull markets are traditionally punctuated by sudden and often quite scary corrections. This one is no different.

The IOC Is a Craven Handmaid of Beijing

It should be a rule of thumb that the Olympic Games shouldn't be held in countries that operate concentration camps.

If this strikes you as a reasonable demand, you aren't suited to serve on the International Olympic Committee. The IOC has doggedly defended Beijing as the host of the 2022 Winter Olympics even as the Chinese Communist Party pursues its campaign of unrelenting barbarity against the Uyghurs.

The Biden administration just announced a so-called diplomatic boycott of the games, a gesture of disapproval that won't dent the propaganda coup the IOC is handing the most dangerous regime in the world.

The IOC is the World Health Organization of sports. When China disappeared female tennis star Peng Shuai for the offense of making an accusation of sexual assault against a former high government official, the IOC happily assisted in the regime's crisis PR, lest the shocking incident derail the games.

The president of the IOC, Thomas Bach, had a video call with Peng where she said all was well and Bach pretended to take her assurances at face value. Of course, Peng wasn't free to speak her mind, but part of Bach's job now is to look the other way at China's blatant abuses.

China has the great fortune to deal with international organizations -- except the Women's Tennis Association, which is suspending tourna-

Rich Lowry



ments in China -- that lack all self-respect.

The IOC is following in the well-trod footsteps of corporations, financiers and sports leagues that start out wanting to do business with China and end up complicating it in the regime's crimes by staying silent or explaining them away.

The difference is that the IOC claims to be acting in support of high ideals. Bach likes to quote the Olympic charter that says Olympism exists "to place sport at the service of the harmonious development of humankind, with a view to promoting a peaceful society concerned with the preservation of human dignity."

Placing sport at the service of China does the opposite on all counts. China's autocrat, Xi Jinping, has been open about the political importance of the Olympics, "Hosting an excellent 2022 Games is a major task of the Party and the country, and it is a solemn commitment to the international community." Here, the interests of the CCP and the IOC -- as well as the corporate sponsors of the games -- coincide.

The last time China hosted the Olympics, the Summer Games in 2008, it used the opening ceremony to stage a gigantic and memorable regime-enhancing spectacle. Beijing promised reforms to

get awarded the games and then, true to form, engaged in yet more heavy-handed repression.

If the 2008 Beijing Games were ill-advised, next year's Winter Olympics are a complete travesty. The atrocities in Xinjiang province are a matter of public record and the quashing of Hong Kong proceeds apace. No one who crosses the regime is safe from imprisonment or worse. China openly menaces Taiwan with an invasion. Indeed, China could conceivably be in a shooting war with the United States within a year or two of using the presence of our athletes, among others, to enhance the rule of its dictator-for-life.

Bach insists that the IOC must always be politically neutral. As Michael Mazza of the American Enterprise Institute points out, though, the IOC banned apartheid-era South Africa from the games. There is no such thing as neutrality when dealing with an all-encompassing police state for which politics is a life-or-death matter. The games aren't being hosted by Switzerland or Norway -- nice, law-abiding countries with good ski slopes -- but a revanchist power that tramples on human dignity and is a clear and present danger to international peace.

The IOC could have taken an off-ramp from these games at any point. Instead, its attitude is going to be, "Enjoy the snowboarding, never mind the concentration camps."

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Somehow, some way, may this be a Christmas worth remembering

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

We had difficulties when we were growing up in Martin county, Kentucky but overall, we thought we were doing okay. President Lyndon Johnson came to Inez, Kentucky in 1964 to let us know we weren't doing very well. He began his campaign in our community and we became the poster child for American poverty. We hadn't really thought of ourselves as poor until we started hearing about ourselves in the news.

I had numerous friends who didn't get much for Christmas. Often it was one or two small gifts or nothing at all.

Several classmates at my elementary school in Tomahawk, Kentucky were fortunate if they had a coat to wear in the winter. Ragged looking shoes on a kid's feet during the winter was a common sight.

Several classmates came to school to wash their faces and hands in the boys' bathroom. The school lunch was the only decent meal some of the kids ate during the week.

It was a while before President Johnson's 1964 promises started helping our area. Even with the roll out of government assistance many families subsisted until the coal boom of the seventies which has almost died. Today our county is reinventing itself with ag-

riculture, a service center to aid bitcoin mining, tourism and small businesses.

I don't remember every Christmas, but I remember one. My dad broke his back falling off a barn when I was a child. He was out of work for several months and in those days, we didn't have government safety nets to see us through tough financial times. Christmas came as usual and we did put up a tree. Our family gathered on Christmas Eve and we had food, fellowship and laughter. We always raised a garden and my parents stored food so it came in handy during tough times.

I expected nothing for Christmas that year because the heaviness of family financial pressure was obvious even as a child. Surprisingly, my mother handed me a small wrapped box that Christmas Eve and said Merry Christmas. I was shocked because I expected nothing that year. Opening the box, I found a watch that had numbers that glowed in the dark. It may have cost \$5 but it was priceless to me. I was thrilled and wore it every night to just look at the glowing numbers.

Dad was recuperating that Christmas. His temporary disability and our financial stress made life gloomy for us that year. Yet, here I am remembering that Christmas as one of the best of all. It

was during that Christmas that I remember the presence of family. Mom and dad were alive. We had food to eat. We had a roof over our heads and our family had each other.

This may not be your best Christmas, but maybe, just maybe you can still have Christmas.

The empty chair is painful. Depression is real. Financial or other personal difficulties may have disabled you. Millions have died from Covid-19. Thousands are suffering from horrific tornadoes and loss of life. Hurricanes have pounded us in the East and fires have incinerated our West. In the midst of all this inflation eats away at America's paychecks like an unchecked malignancy.

The message of Christmas is the story of peasant parents, enduring difficult travel, taxes to be paid and no place to sleep but a barn and a cow's trough for their newborn baby. Somehow, they found strength in each other and in God who brought them and their baby through a very difficult time. We never forget their story and their plight, it's truly a Christmas worth remembering.

We are going to remember this Christmas, no doubt. Somehow, somehow, with God's help and each other, may this be a Christmas worth remembering.

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Bell County Museum Presents Private Charles J. Miller: WWII Paintings

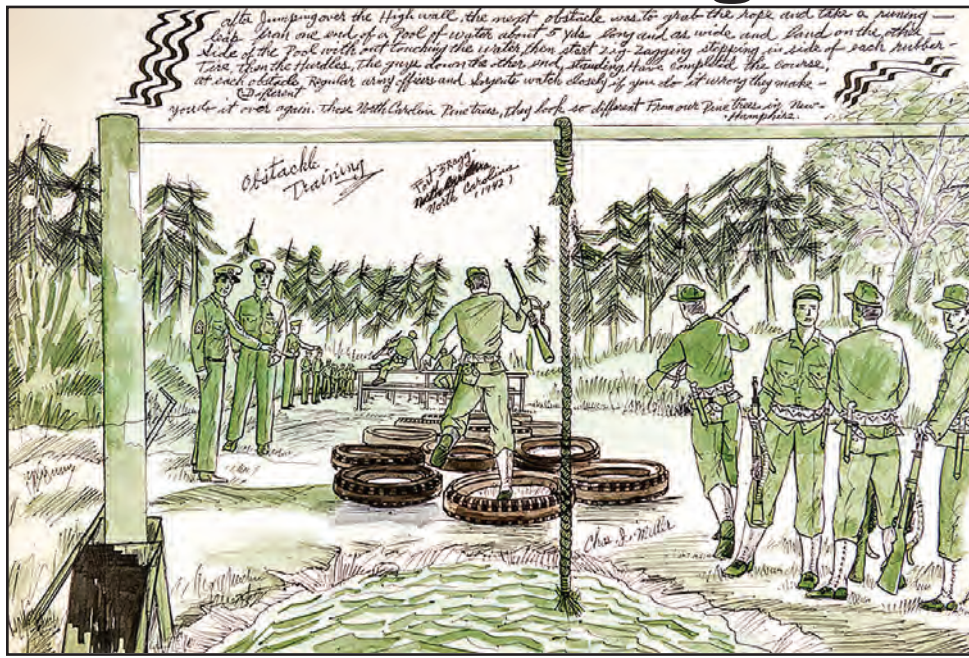
BELTON, TX 12/14/2021

The Bell County Museum will debut Private Charles J. Miller: WWII Paintings from the South Pacific on Tuesday, December 14. The exhibit is open to the public until June 10.

Private Miller painted scenes of everyday life while serving in the South Pacific during WWII. Bell County Museum will exhibit 120 of the rare, world-renowned paintings, along with WWII artifacts from the museum's collection. Admission is always free.

"We are honored to bring this special exhibit to Bell County. The creation of art during a difficult period is truly remarkable and we hope our visitors enjoy the exhibit," said Executive Director Coleman Hampton.

Curated by The Wright Museum of WWII in Wolfeboro NH, this show presents paintings and drawings produced by Miller during his deployment in the Pacific Theater of WWII. The vivid images bear witness to the everyday life of the servicemen who fought in the South Pacific Theater during World War II created by an untrained draftsman and painter with a remarkable natural talent. They present a unique first-person perspective that is more personal and direct than even much of the photojournal-



ism from the era, offering an emotional account of one man's experience of the war.

The Bell County Museum exists to engage and educate the community by collecting, preserving, and interpreting the prehistoric and historic heritage of Bell County.

Their vision for the Bell County Museum is that all people are drawn to a unique and welcoming museum experience where they can learn about and develop an appreciation for those who have gone before, engage with their community of today, and develop a passion to preserve those experiences for future generations.

The museum is open Tue.-Fri. 12-5 p.m. and Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Admission is free.

Belton Senior Activity holds Christmas Dance Dec. 16

Upcoming schedule of events for the Belton Senior Activity Center are:

Christmas Dance is Thur., Dec. 16, at 6:30 p.m. with Old Friends band performing. Participants are encouraged to bring a dish to share.

A Pot Luck dinner is

Mon., Dec. 20, at 5:30 p.m. with Quinton Locklin performing.

The Center will be closed from Wed., Dec. 22 through Mon., Jan. 3, reopening on Tuesday, Jan. 4.

For more information you may contact the Belton Senior Activity Center by calling 254-770-7958.

Travel Club meets Dec. 21 in Belton

The next meeting of the Central Texas Travel Club will be Tuesday December 21 at Napolis Italian Bistro in downtown Belton. The meeting begins at 11 a.m. and is open to anyone interested in travel. There are no

dues or requirements to join. They will be discussing upcoming trips including a rail tour of Switzerland, and a trip to Ireland and Scotland. For more information contact centraltexastravelclub@outlook.com

Don't get scammed buying holiday gifts

By ROZ BROWN
TEXAS NEWS SERVICE

AUSTIN, Texas -- Holiday goodwill doesn't extend to scammers, but experts say peace of mind is possible with common sense strategies to avoid schemes that steal your joy and your money.

Successful scammers spend a whole year coming up with new strategies and methods to bilk consumers buying gifts for family and friends.

Beverly Gor, executive council volunteer for AARP Texas, said if your plan is to buy gift cards from a big-box store, make sure they have not been stripped of their value prior to purchase.

"There are some criminals who know how to drain your gift card of its value, and our survey found that 21% of U.S. adults gave or received a gift card with no value on it," Gor reported.

If you fall victim to a scam, Gor said you should

immediately contact the store or law enforcement.

Gor recently heard from an elderly woman who stopped just short of giving private information over the phone after the caller claimed she owed money and seemed like an authority because she knew her address, the value of her home and other information easily gleaned from the internet.

When it comes to charity donations, Gor recommended to make sure it is the correct website before entering credit card information, because scammers are known to use lookalike names.

"People putting up what they call 'clone' websites," Gor pointed out. "It would trick people, deceive people into clicking on something, and they will go to a fraudulent site and give information."

The AARP survey found nearly 40% of Americans received requests from charities that felt fake or fraudulent

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Dreitz earns degree concentrating on criminalistics



Preston Dreitz, of Salado, is one of the first graduate students of Prairie View A&M University to obtain a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from PVAMU's Texas A&M System RELLIS partnership.

Dreitz is the son of Deny and Dawn Dreitz of Salado and graduated from PVAMU on Dec. 11 with

a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice with a concentration in Criminalistics. His goal is to utilize his experiences to start a private investigation firm specializing in digital forensics.

While attending PVAMU, Dreitz was a student research assistant at the SECURE Cybersecurity Center of Excellence at PVAMU.

"I practice digital forensics and learn about all tools or methods that are relevant to the field," he Dreitz. "With everything I have learned from my degree, I will have many great opportunities available to me, but my long-term goals are to utilize my experiences to start my own private investigation firm specializing in digital forensics."

"I have always had an affinity for science and technology, as well as frequently watching true crime media, never imagining that one day I could be a forensics investigator, such as the ones I have been fascinated over," he said of the field he pursued in higher education. "Criminalistics is the application of these methods of science and technology to criminal investigations, and



Preston Dreitz

I found this field of study to be exemplary to my own interests."

Dreitz said he ended up choosing PVAMU, because "I had initially wanted to attend [Texas] A&M for computer science but had been handed a pamphlet detailing the Criminalistics Program offered through PVAMU at the RELLIS campus. I then decided to change my path and was awarded an exciting and fulfilling education

at PVAMU."

"I had the honor of being taught by the most compassionate and knowledgeable professors, making great connections and finding great mentors every step of the way," he added. "With these resources available to me and studying a field I was passionate about and captivated in, my education at PVAMU was an experience that could not be matched."

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Remember Student Loans?

Remember Student Loans? How to Prepare for the End of Pandemic Forbearance National nonprofit student loan counseling agency Take Charge America highlights proactive steps for borrowers to take before payments restart.

After nearly two years of pandemic relief, federal student loan payments are set to resume in February. Now is the time for borrowers to reevaluate their budgets and become reacquainted with their payment plans.

"Federal forbearance provided much-needed relief for student loan borrowers during the pandemic, but it was always meant to be temporary," said Jessica Ferastoaru, a student loan counselor with Take Charge America, a national nonprofit credit and student loan counseling agency. "With payments resuming in a few weeks, borrowers must not delay in creating a game plan that works for them, taking loan status, employment and income all into account."

Ferastoaru shares options for borrowers to consider as the end of forbearance nears:

Confirm your servicer(s): With several servicer changes during the forbearance period, the company that services your loan may have changed since you last made payments. Visit studentaid.gov to confirm your loan servicers.

Explore income-driven repayment (IDR) plans: If your income fell in the past two years, apply for an IDR plan at studentaid.gov to seek a lower payment. IDR plans cap payments based on income and family size, adjusting as circumstances change. You must recertify annually. If you're already on an IDR plan, your recertification date may have been extended during the forbearance period. Contact your servicer to confirm.

Ask about other options: If you don't qualify for an

IDR plan and can't afford your payment, ask your servicer about additional options like deferment or more forbearance. Under both options, payments are suspended, though with deferment, interest on subsidized loans may be waived, whereas interest will accrue under forbearance.

Manage defaulted loans: To avoid wage garnishment or tax refund offsets, work to get your loans out of default. Options include loan consolidation or rehabilitation. Consolidation combines your loans into one brand-new loan you agree to repay under an IDR plan. After three consecutive payments, you can change your plan, if desired. Under rehabilitation, borrowers agree to make nine consecutive, on-time payments within a 10-month period to get out of default. If your loans are currently in rehabilitation, be sure you don't miss your first payment following forbearance. If you miss more than one while on rehabilitation, you risk being removed from the program.

Reestablish autopay: If you had automatic payments set up prior to pandemic forbearance, contact your servicer to confirm whether you must re-enroll to ensure you don't miss your first payment. Your account status will change from "current" to "delinquent" after just one missed payment on a federal student loan. If your loan becomes 90 days delinquent, it can negatively impact your credit.

For step-by-step guidance with student loan repayment options, check out Take Charge America's student loan counseling services.

About Take Charge America, Inc.

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UMHB Fall Commencement 2021

BELTON, TX – The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor held commencement services for the Fall 2021 semester on Friday, Dec. 3, at the Bell County Expo Center. This was the university's 165th graduating class, and a total of 417 students were awarded degrees, including 333 baccalaureate degrees, 45 master's degrees, and 39 doctoral degrees.

UMHB President Dr. Randy O'Rear commended students for their dedication and determination to finish their degrees and celebrated the accomplishments of the class of 2021.

"Parents and family members, I know you are excited that this day has finally arrived, and I know how proud you are. Thank you for trusting UMHB with your graduate and for being a part of our Crusader family," he said. "Fifty-eight members of your class are the first in their family to earn a college degree, and 15 of the undergraduates in your class are graduating with a perfect 4.0. The youngest members of your class are

20 years old, and the oldest member of your class is 59 years young." He added, "We know you have bright futures ahead of you, and we are excited to be sending another group of Crusaders out into the world. We are confident that you are prepared and will use your distinctive Christian education to help make the world a better place. Our country and our world certainly need people like you."

Student awards given during the ceremony included the Provost Medal for highest overall GPA, which was awarded to 15 students who each graduated with perfect 4.0 grade point averages: Luke Bentz of Fallbrook, CA, Gillian Black of Hurst, Kylie Dankert of Tomball, Svea DuShane of Orchard Beach, MD, Baylee Forbes of Frost, Emily Fordyce of Llano, Audrey Godley of Temple, Hannah Gray of Spring Branch, Kayla Janikula of Kingwood, Addison Joyner of Aledo, Lillian Malabo of Killeen, Sandra Rangel of Harker Heights, Jonathan Stirtz of Duncanville,

Kayleigh Ussery of Quitman, and Kiley Watson of Waxahachie.

The Loyalty Cup, which is awarded to the student who is most representative of the university's ideals, traditions, and spirit, was given to Mercedes Saldivar of Richland Hills and Gilda Tchao of Midland. The President's Award for meritorious service went to Kailyn Strain of Hutto. The Honors Program Summa Cum Laude recipient was Jonathan Stirtz of Duncanville.

In addition, two UMHB students, Samuel Dean of Temple and Amanda Urick of Tomball, were commissioned as Second Lieutenants into the Army Nurse Corps at a formal ceremony on campus Friday morning. They were then officially sworn in at the commencement ceremony.

Salado students earning Masters Degrees were these: Kerry Lee Chambliss, M.Ed., Educational Administration; Katrina Channele Gordon, M.S.N., Nursing



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Obituaries



WILLIAM DAVID HUGHES

William (Billy) David Hughes, 43 of Salado passed away at his residence on December 3, 2021.

He was born in Pasadena, Texas, November 15, 1978 to Donald Gail Hughes and Sherry Louise Vernon. Billy graduated from Salado High School in 1997 and has lived in and around Salado for 25 years.

He served in the United States Army for 4 years and was stationed in El Paso, Texas. He was deployed to Iraq during the Iraq Freedom War.

Billy was an amazing father. He coached his boys' baseball and supported all his children in everything they did. He was dearly loved by everyone who knew him and will be greatly missed. He was a building contractor, played guitar, loved his Cowboys and was an accomplished griller.

Billy is preceded in death by his father; grandfather, W. R. Vernon; grandmother, Jimmie Vernon and sister, Jaquelin Sue Hughes.

He is survived by his children: Hamilton, Raylan, Tennessee and Anthony. He is also survived by his mother and step-father Robert Garwood of Belton; sister, Ronnie Gail and brother-in-law Wesley Tucker of Belton; brother, Robert Hughes of Arizona; step-sister, Sabina Maigatter of Arizona and step-sister, Samantha Garwood of Georgia and step-sister, Kim Reymundo; with numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Services for Billy will be: Visitation was held 5 – 8 p.m., Mon., Dec. 13, 2021 at Broecker Funeral Chapel, Salado; a Celebration of Life was held Tuesday, December 14, 2021 10 a.m. at Heritage Country Church, 9929 Lark Trail, Salado with Ricky Lindsey, officiating and burial, Wed., Dec. 15, 2021, 11 a.m. at Central Texas Veteran Cem-

etry, Killeen with military honors.

In lieu of flowers, visit: GoFundMe.com and search for Billy Hughes and his children.

All services are in the care of Broecker Funeral Home in Salado.



L.E. "ELWOOD" SUTTON

L.E. "Elwood" Sutton, 88, of Salado passed away on Friday, December 10, 2021 at his home in Salado.


Funeral services for Elwood will be held on Wednesday, December 15, 2021 at 10:00 AM at Heritage Country Church in Salado with Ricky Lindsey officiating. Burial will follow at Salado Cemetery in Salado.

Elwood, a sixth generation Texan, was born on June 10, 1933 in Salado, Texas to Claude and Les (Cockrell) Sutton. He graduated from Salado High School in 1951. Mr. Sutton joined the Army in 1953 and after he was honorably discharged began a long career with Wilsonart as a truck driver, retiring in 1992. He married Beverly "Bo" (Brown) on January 31, 1966 in Belton and they were married for 55 years before she passed away in June of 2021.

Elwood is survived by sons Chet Sutton and his wife Jessica of Salado, and Howard Sutton of Salado; grandsons Eric, Wyatt, and Andrew Sutton; sister Linda Moore and her husband Monroe of Salado, as well as many nieces, nephews, and longtime friends.

Mr. Sutton was preceded in death by his wife Beverly; his parents Claude and Les; a brother D.L. Sutton, and a sister Betty Sue Sutton Pinkham.

A visitation was held on Tue. evening Dec. 14, from 5-7 p.m. at Dossman Funeral Home in Belton.



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Air Force Senior Master Sargent (Ret) Thomas H. Westerberg of Salado, TX passed away on December 6, 2021. Tom was 90 years old. Services will be Saturday, December 18, 11:00 am at Salado Cemetery Pavilion with military honors.

He was preceded in death by his wife Jean and daughter MaryAnn Westerberg. He is survived by his children: Deborah Huff and husband Lou of Georgetown, Dianne Ferguson and husband Greg of Austin, Carolyn Thompson and husband Kevin of Victoria, and son, Tom Westerberg and wife Sandra of Kyle and Salado. His 14 grandchildren: Travis Mroski, Derek Mroski (Kristy), Megan Mroski, Thomas England (Lacey), Jordan England, Doug England, Kayleigh Ferguson, Scott Ferguson, Christi Ferguson, Kristen Miller (Jackson), Ryan Thompson, Kyle Westerberg (Lindsay), Lance Westerberg and Corri Westerberg, and 10 great grandchildren: Laine Mroski, Lenzi Tomlin, Wesley Tomlin, Michael England, Emma Miller, Max Miller, Lillian Miller, Quinn Miller, Parker Westerberg and Peyton Westerberg.

Tom was born in Minneapolis, MN. He graduated from Marshall High School in Minneapolis in 1949. He and his buddies drove a 1941 Plymouth panel truck to Alaska to work in Fairbanks. When he returned to Minneapolis he attended the University of Minnesota until joining the Air Force. Tom married the love of his life, Jean MacKaracher in Springfield Massachusetts on March 6, 1954. They were married for 66 years. He served in the Air Force for 22 years, and then moved the family to Round Rock, TX. They moved to Salado in 1979. Tom worked for Texas Instruments in Austin, then Temple. He also worked for the Temple Daily Telegram until he retired.

Tom had a life-long love of sports, his favorites being football and golf. He took up golf as a teenager and enjoyed the sport his entire life. He scored 3 holes-in-one and had his last putting session about 2 months before he passed.

The family wishes to thank the staff at Wesleyan Assisted Living and Wesleyan Hospice for the loving care that they provided to Tom.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to: Friends of Salado Cemetery Association, PO Box 21, Salado, TX 76571.

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Artist's rendering of Water's Edge apartments from RREAF Holdings website (<https://rreaf.com/offerings>).

Overall Site Plan

Phase I Parking
 Surface: 206
 Garage Attached: 53
 Garage Detached: 35
 Carports: 59
 Tandem: 53
 Total: 406

Phase I Building Breakout
 Building A: (3 Buildings)
 1st floor: 13,321 SF
 2nd floor: 12,698 SF
 3rd floor: 12,698 SF
 Gross SF Ea. Bldg: 38,717 SF

Building B: (4 Buildings)
 Basement: 5,275 SF
 1st Floor: 11,440 SF
 2nd Floor: 11,392 SF
 3rd Floor: 11,392 SF
 Gross SF Ea. Bldg: 40,499 SF

Leasing Center:
 Basement: 1,053 SF
 1st Floor: 7,636 SF
 Gross SF: 8,689 SF



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Site plan from presentation to Salado Board of Aldermen in March 2021.

Water's Edge FROM PAGE 1A

phase will include the 10 single family residential units.

Water's Edge will include a new road, Nottingham Street, that enters onto South Main Street. Edinburgh Street will connect College Hill Dr. to Santa Maria.

The latest construction plans presented the Village actually include an extension of South Main Street through the development to connect southbound traffic on Main to FM 2268 (Holland Road). Currently, southbound traffic on Main Street has to go to Baines to connect to I-35 southbound (or do a turnaround back to Thomas Arnold Rd. and then two miles to the next entrance on I-35 south-

bound).

Salado aldermen will discuss amendments to the Master Development Agreement, Chapter 380 Economic Development Agreement and Wastewater Services Agreement during their Dec. 16 meeting.

Mayor Michael Coggin has worked with Sanctuary development to draft new agreements that are what he has called "more fair to the Village."

Coggin has said repeatedly that the agreements entered into in 2015 (none of the current aldermen or mayor were on the board at the time, nor was Village Administrator Don Ferguson on staff), are "one sided" and benefit the developer more than the Village.

In particular, the economic development agreements concerning tax rebates, hotel occupancy tax rebates and sales tax rebates.

The proposed amendments make the following substantial changes.

It deletes the Hotel Occupancy Tax Reimbursement (50% for 15 years from the last Certificate of Occupancy of a Lodging property).

Instead, the amendment proposes "The Parties hereby agree that the Tourism Marketing Agreement may be amended or revised by the Parties in the future without need of formally amending the Master Development Agreement."

Like wording for the Economic Development Grants.

The new proposal caps all of the "entitlements" at

\$3 million to the developer, whether through sales tax rebates, property tax rebates, or HOT rebates. If the developer does not meet the standards to get to that point, the Village is under no obligation to pay the full \$3 million.

The other chief entitlement to the developer is waiving up to \$6 million in wastewater impact fees. The current impact fee is \$5,152 per living unit equivalent of 100 gallons per day. The Village wastewater treatment plant has a maximum capacity of 200,000 gallons per day, or 2,000 LUEs.

If the developer were to reach that \$6 million in waived impact fees, then more than 1,100 LUEs, will have tapped in to the sewer plant. This could mean at least \$250,000 year more in operating funds for the deficit sewer (based on the current per 1,000 gallon rate of \$8 for residential and \$11 for low impact commercial). Yet, with commitments to provide sewer to two other major developments, Salado could see the 75% threshold for planning for expansion of the sewer (required by Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) before the current bond is paid off.


Without impact fees squirreled away to plan for expansion of the sewer system, how will it be funded? A question aldermen should ask before waiving any future impact fees, as has been done for two of the three developments annexed into Salado.

But these are questions that make most folks' heads hurt and eyes roll.

And when you look out the back door of your home across what was once a peaceful valley to see mountains of dirt and rock being pushed around for four-story apartments, questions of impact fees and future expansion seem minor.

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Prominent Waco couple once owned Stagecoach Inn

By CAROL WILSON

George and Ethyl Lane aren't familiar names in Salado's history, but they do have a place there. The Lanes, who called Waco home, were once owner/managers of the Stagecoach Inn restaurant. The list of former proprietors of the old Salado hotel is a long one but the Lane's story of ownership is unique. The couple purchased the business from the Van Bibbers with great enthusiasm, but the fervor did not last and their plans to expand eventually fizzled.

The year was 1951. Dion and Ruth Van Bibber, then owners of the Stagecoach Inn restaurant, had earned a level of local celebrity for themselves in Salado. Beginning in the mid 1940s, the couple had taken the old hotel building and, by applying hard work and imagination, had created a restaurant that had turned into a phenomenon. Just why they were willing to sell the place in 1951 is anyone's guess but it was a choice they came to regret.

There are a couple of reasonable guesses that might explain the Van Bibbers' desire to sell in 1951. It may have been simple exhaustion; the restaurant was demanding of the couple's time, energy and patience. Good help was difficult to find and keep. Margins were likely low and the hours long. But another concern also loomed. The recent announcement of a new four-lane interstate highway, slated to run behind Salado rather than through it, had some business owners worried.

It appears that the Lanes, at least initially, weren't afraid of a new challenge and saw potential in the property. They were not new to entrepreneurship. George had been the successful owner of Lane's Electric in Waco for many years before he sold the business to a family member just months before buying the Inn.

In an interview published in the Waco Tribune-Herald on May 27, 1951, under the headline "Prominent Waco Couple Buy Stage Coach Inn at Salado," the Lanes were quoted as saying they intended to develop the restaurant and surroundings into a vacation spot. They envisioned a resort-like setting, with winding paths and scattered cabins beneath the oak trees. They would be moving to Salado, they told the Tribune, and living in the old Guthrie home located behind the inn. But with many ties remaining in Waco, the couple also planned to keep an apartment there.

Perhaps it was again that drain on time, energy and patience that eventually had the Lanes looking for relief. Whatever the reason, it was their good fortune that the Van Bibbers were willing, perhaps anxious, to reclaim their source of pride and a deal was struck.

Fast Forward. In mid

February of 1954, a Waco newspaper reported that the Lanes had returned to Waco after surrendering the management of the Stagecoach Inn back to its former owners under a lease-to-own agreement.¹ After experiencing a taste of retirement they apparently did not savor, the Van Bibbers were back at the helm. They exercised the lease's option at a later date, repurchasing the property, and by September of 1956, it was Dion who was telling newspapers that he planned to execute a grand resort-style expansion.²

As they say, the rest is history.

1. Waco News-Tribune, Feb. 17, 1954

2. The Austin American September 2, 1956



For a short period of time in the early 1950s, prominent Waco couple George H. and Ethyl Lane owned the Stagecoach Inn. Dion and Ruth Van Bibber would take back ownership of it in the mid-50s.

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Open Mic with Ryan White, at Chupacabra, 7 p.m.

Tuesdays

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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.

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Live Music at Chupacabra Craft Beer and Kitchen, 8 p.m.
Live Music at Barrow Brewing Co., 8 p.m.

December 16

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

December 17

Live Music at Barrow Brewing, 7 p.m., Deja Vibes.

December 17

Live Music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., Josh Jaccard.

December 18

Breakfast with Santa, 8 a.m.-noon at McCain's Bakery & Cafe, 417 N. Main St.

December 18

Live Music at Barrow Brewing, 7 p.m. Bo Brumble.

December 18

Live Music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m., Ben Hatton.

December 19

Barrow Brewing Co., live music, 5 p.m. Walt Wilkins.

December 23

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

December 24

Barrow Brewing Co closes early.

December 24-26

Salado Village Voice office is closed.

December 25

Barrow Brewing Co is closed.

December 26

Barrow Brewing Co., live music, 4 p.m. from Eric Turner

December 30

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

December 31

Salado Village Voice office will be closed.

December 31

First Cedar Valley Baptist Church, FM 2843, New Year's Watch Night. Pot luck to follow. Bring a favorite dish or dessert.

January 6

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.

January 7

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

January 8

Asana & Ales Yoga at Barrow Brewing Co., 108 Royal St., 10 a.m. (Tickets available online at www.barrowbrewing.com/store)

January 8-9

Salado Market Days 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall 721 Stagecoach Road. Salado's original Market Days event.

January 13

Around the World Dinner Series, Destination Greece, Alexander's Distillery, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Reservations required, \$84.95 per person for curated menu. Tickets online at eventbrite.com.

January 17

Salado ISD Board of Trustees meeting, 6 p.m., Salado Civic Center.

January 17

Salado Masonic Lodge #296 Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m. at the Lodge Hall, 95 S. Church St. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Stephen Moore, Past Master of Robert Burns Lodge #127, will present a program on Robert Burns, Scotland's Poet Laureate and Freemason.

January 20

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.

January 28

Fourth Friday Gospel Singing 7 p.m. at First Cedar Valley Baptist Church, FM 2843. Pot luck to follow. Bring a favorite dish or dessert.

February 10

Around the World Dinner Series, Destination New Orleans, Alexander's Distillery, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Reservations required, \$84.95 per person for curated menu. Tickets online at eventbrite.com

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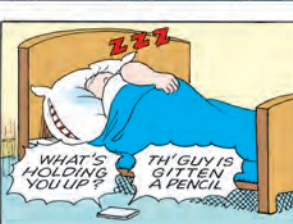
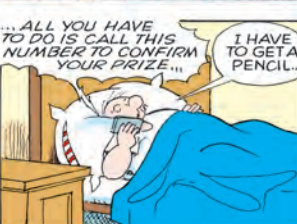
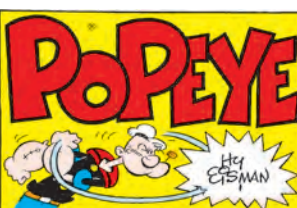
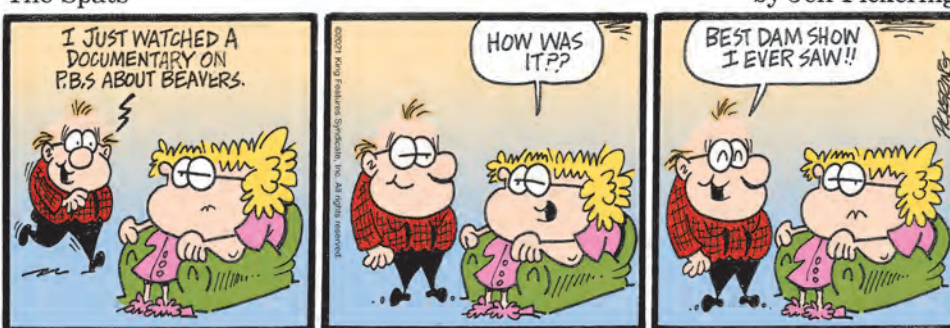
R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



Contract Bridge

FAMOUS HAND

North dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH

- ♦ K 4
- ♥ 8 5 3 2
- ♠ Q 8 6
- ♣ A J 7 3

WEST

- ♠ 2
- ♥ 7 6 4
- ♦ J 10 7 5
- ♣ 10 9 8 6 2

EAST

- ♦ 10 8 6 3
- ♥ J 10 9
- ♠ K 9
- ♣ K Q 5 4

SOUTH

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

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
Pass	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♦	Pass
5♣	Pass	5NT	Pass
6♠	Pass	6♥	Pass
Pass(!)	Pass		
Opening lead — ten of clubs.			

This extraordinary deal occurred in a match between Argentina and Italy in the 1963 world team championship. It was played on Bridge-O-Rama before a huge and enthusiastic audience.

Marcos Santamarina and Luis Attaguile were North-South for Argentina when the sequence shown took place. North's pass of six hearts, an obvious cuebid, was astounding, to say the least. Spades had previously been agreed upon as trump, and

South's diamond and heart bids merely showed first-round control of those suits. The heart cuebid might have been based on A-x, or even a void!

Perhaps North was so deeply engrossed in trying to decide whether or not to bid seven spades that he did not realize, when he passed, that South's last bid had been six hearts, not six spades.

Whatever the reason, Santamarina's pass was surely one of the most serendipitous bids ever made in a world championship event. And when the missing trumps divided 3-3, Attaguile had no difficulty scoring 12 tricks, collecting four hearts, six spades and the two side aces. Six spades almost surely would have failed with normal play, as evidenced by what happened when Italy later played the hand in that contract.

Against six spades, the Argentine West also led a club. Declarer took the ace, discarding a diamond, drew trump, cashed the A-K-Q of hearts, then played the ace and a low diamond.

South could have made the slam by playing the diamond eight from dummy, but there was no way he could know that East had the king and that it was now singleton. After playing the queen and losing it to the king, declarer later lost another diamond trick to go down one, giving Argentina a 1,030-point pickup.

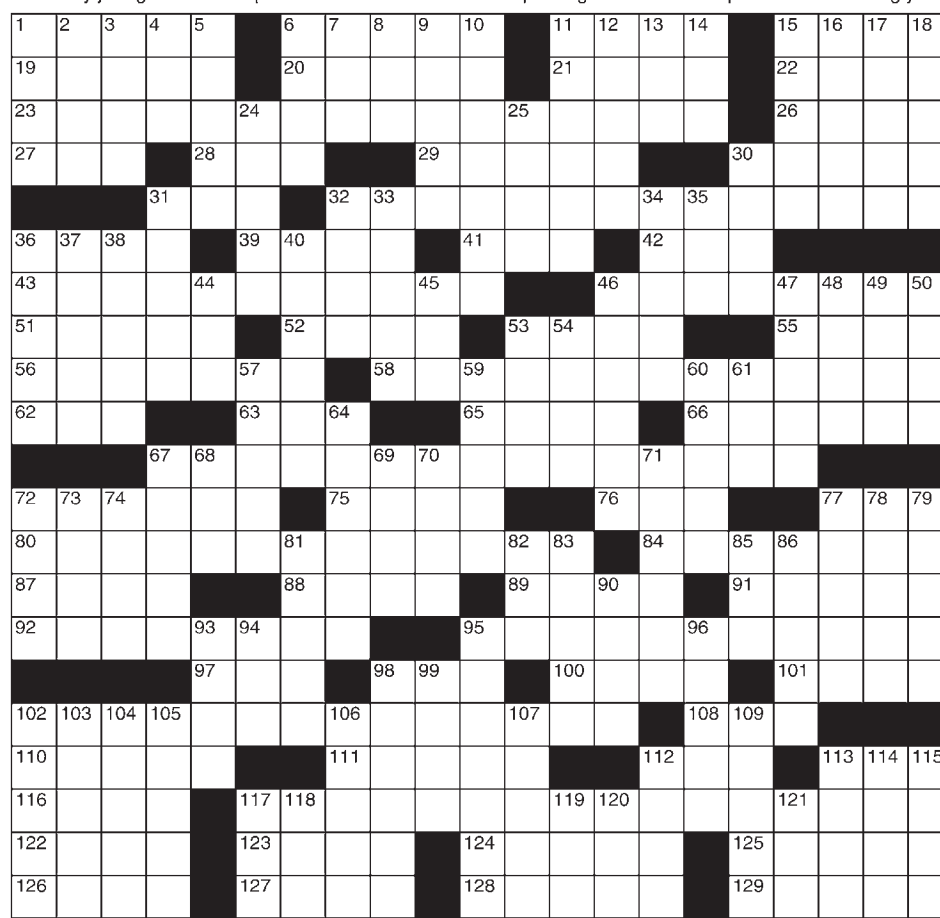
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by Steve Becker

Super Crossword

ENGLISH QUINTET

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| ACROSS | 1 Tribal carving | 6 Beate Ringo | 11 Depict with bias | 15 Ellipsoidal | 19 Earthy tone, to a Brit | 20 Magazine release | 21 Irene of "Fame" | 22 Central point | 23 He played Jim Dial on "Murphy Brown" | 26 Kazan with three Tonys | 27 Carp in a garden pond | 28 Football's Manning | 29 "— my way!" ("Scram!") | 30 Cathedrals' main areas | 31 Necklace of 12-Down | 32 Strong product-selling influence | 36 Toon skunk Le Pew | 39 Nonstick cookware brand | 41 Ending for priest | 42 In-favor vote | 43 Party joking | 46 Shabby hotels | 51 Striped stone | 52 "Are you — out?" | 53 Currency of Belgium | 55 Dormant | 56 Able to feel | 58 Taking a rolling pin to | 62 Period | 63 Add- (extras) | 65 Brings a civil action | 66 Snare loops | 67 What the Australian Open is played on | 72 Druids, e.g. | 75 Burn soother | 76 Bruins' Bobby | 77 Purpose | 80 Black Protestant denom. since 1821 | 84 Have coming | 87 Green shade | 88 Blood-related | 89 Daddy | 91 Pond buildup | 92 Expected saviors | 95 Gave a worthy effort | 97 — ray Disc | 98 Long-headed antelope | 100 Florence's river | 101 Pod items | 102 Franz Liszt piano piece in 3/4 time | 108 Purpose | 110 In regard to | 111 Conga relative | 112 Standoffish | 113 Animal kept in the house | 116 Feudal VIP | 117 Crossing during a journey | 122 Balladeer Burl | 123 Green shade vehicle make | 124 Ho-hum feeling | 125 Volunteer's offer to be sent | 126 Disaffirm | 127 Male tabbies | 128 Regards as | 129 Sequence found in this puzzle's nine longest answers | 6 "Yes, yes!" in Mexico | 7 "For shame!" | 8 "Just — suspected!" | 9 Bit of hearsays | 10 Reprimands | 11 Actors Baio and Wolf | 12 A Hawaiian Island | 13 Work unit, in physics | 14 Sound of a crying baby | 15 Ryan of "Love Story" | 16 Swedish | 17 Ta-ta, to Tati | 18 Most minor | 24 Aristocratic | 25 Numbered hwy. | 30 Scholastic sports org. | 31 Some turns and jabs | 32 Principal | 33 Standoffish | 34 Tarp material | 35 "I didn't know that!" | 36 Period | 37 Avid | 38 First strategy | 40 Buddy | 44 Viking locale | 45 E-address | 46 Plaster painting | 47 Archie Bunker, e.g. | 48 Hubbubs | 49 Model binder | 50 U.S. Open units | 53 Sewing case | 54 Beehive State college team | 57 Bodily trunk | 59 Ed of "Roots" | 60 Habituate (to) | 61 Negative conjunction | 64 Neat piles | 67 Visibility reducers | 68 DiFranco of song | 69 Pre-coll., in education | 70 Pluralizable word | 71 Appoint to holy office | 72 Oahu tree | 73 French gal pal | 74 Tiara stones | 77 Have a tiff | 78 She divorced Donald | 79 Intersects | 81 Bible book after Micah | 82 Tax form pro | 83 Went to town on | 85 Plant pouch | 86 Run off to tie the knot | 90 Cuzco locale | 93 "Likely story!" | 94 "Thrilla in Manila" boxer | 95 Spoke indistinctly and softly | 96 Put one's finger on, say | 98 "R.I.P." sites | 99 City in Alaska (to) | 102 Legitimate | 103 Superior to | 104 Sophia of "Two Women" | 105 Froth-filled | 106 Pious song | 107 "Common Sense" writer Thomas | 109 Aleppo locale | 112 Possible reply to "That so?" | 113 Hungarian sheepdog | 114 Kellogg's waffle brand | 115 Holier-than- — | 117 Blast source | 118 — Grande | 119 Dir. from Little Rock to Chicago | 120 Juicy Fruit, e.g. | 121 Bullring yell |
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Trivia test

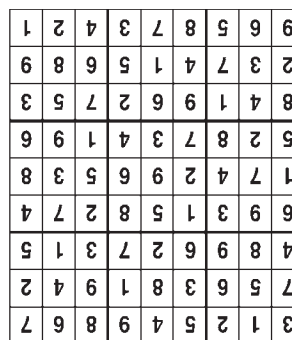
by Fifi Rodriguez

- SCIENCE: How long does it take for light to travel from the Sun to Earth?
- TELEVISION: Which comedian used the catchphrase "one ringie dingie, two ringie dingies" in a TV character sketch?
- MEASUREMENTS: How many centimeters are equivalent to 100 inches?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who is the only president to serve nonconsecutive terms?
- LANGUAGE: How many languages are spoken in the world today?
- GOVERNMENT: Which branch of U.S. government is responsible for making laws?
- SPORTS: Which famous baseball pitcher's nickname is "The Chairman of the Board"?
- FOOD & DRINK: What type of food do the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles love?
- GEOGRAPHY: Which ocean does Bermuda lie in?
- MATH: What is a prime number?

Answers

- Eight minutes, 20 seconds
- Lily Tomlin, as telephone operator Ernestine
- 254
- Grover Cleveland
- More than 7,000
- The legislative branch — U.S. House and Senate
- Whitey Ford
- Pizza
- Atlantic
- A number that is only divisible by itself and 1

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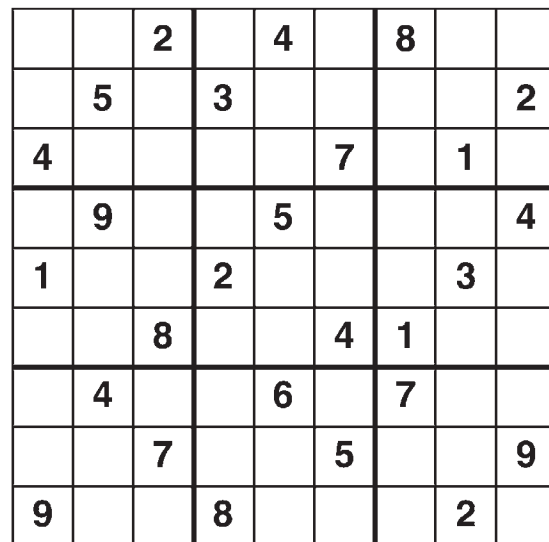


Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

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by Linda Thistle

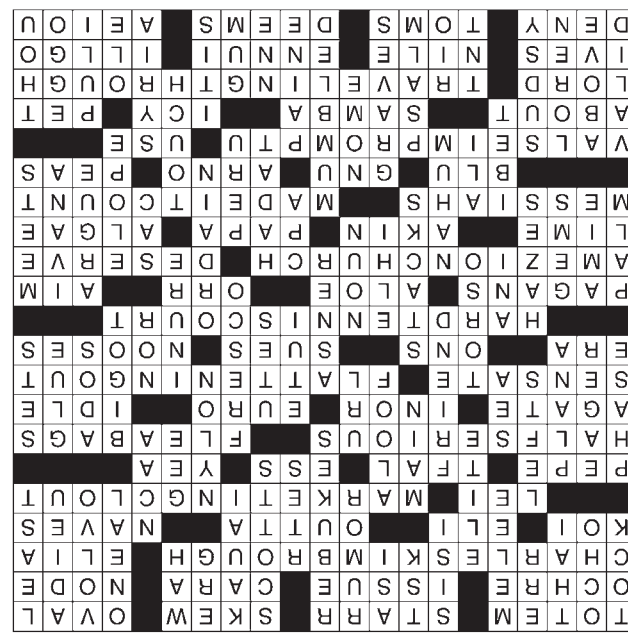


Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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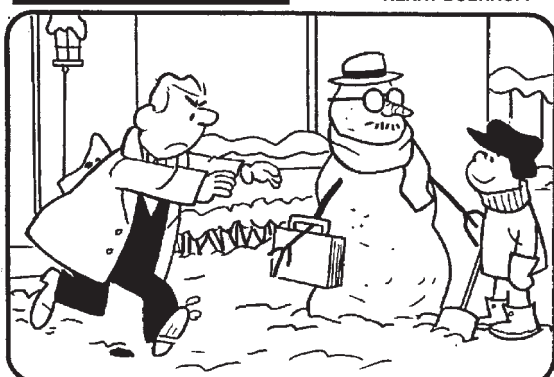
Answers

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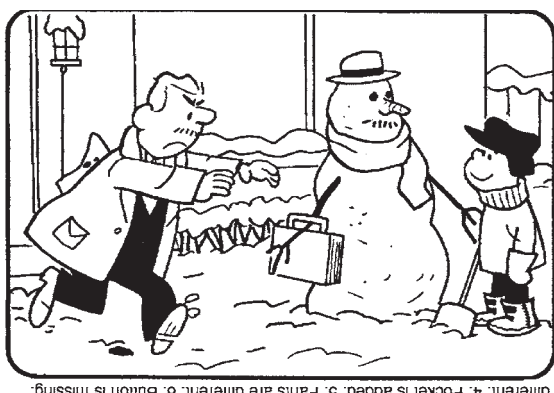
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



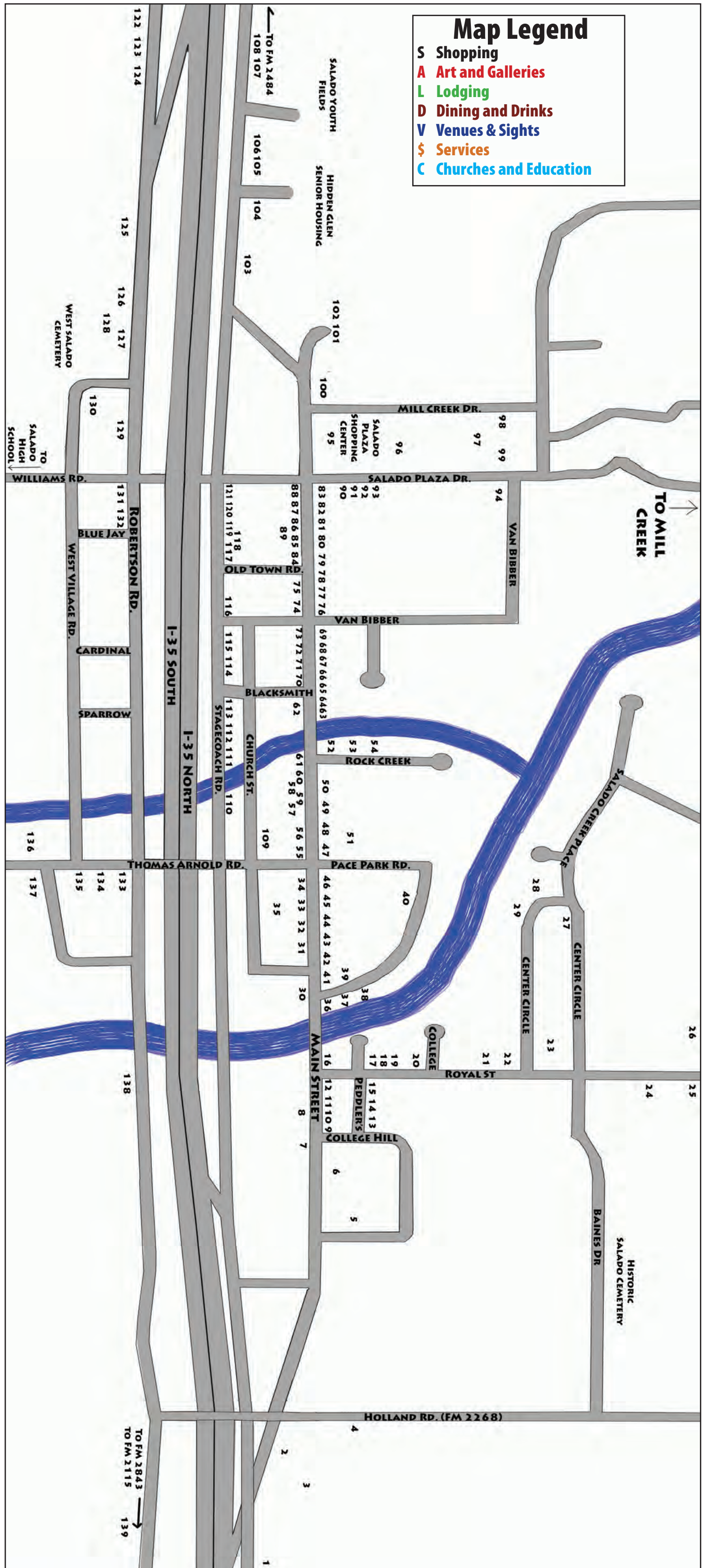
Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Mustache is added. 2. Glasses are removed. 3. Boots are different. 4. Pocket is added. 5. Parts are different. 6. Buttons is missing.

Shopping Map of Salado

#	Business Name	Type
4	St. Stephen Catholic Church 254-947-8037	C
6	Salado College Park 254-947-5232	V
9	Salado Museum 254-947-5232	V
	Salado Visitors Center 254-947-8634	\$
	Salado Chamber of Commerce 254-947-5040	\$
	Village of Salado Tourism Office 254-947-8634	\$
10	Sofi's 254-947-4336	S
11	Chupacabra Craft Beer and Winery (254) 308-2019	D
	Chupacabra Kitchen (254) 308-2220	D
14	Salado Glassworks 254-947-0339	A
15	Rio Salado Cocina y Cantina 254-308-2044	D
16	The Sugar Shack 254-947-8840	S/D
17	Barrow Brewing Co. 254-947-3544	D
	Happy Pizza 254-226-1684	
21	The Venue 254-947-5554	V
	Village Spa 254-293-6600	S
22	The Shed 254-947-1960	D
23	Salado Creek Healing 254-308-0242	\$
24	Tablerock 254-947-9205	V
26	Salado United Methodist Church 254-947-5482	C
29	Inn on the Creek 254-947-5554	L
	Alexanders Craft Cocktails & Kitchen 254-947-3828	D
30	First Baptist Church 254-947-546	C
31	Fairway Mortgage 254-947-3454	\$
32	First Texas Brokerage 254-947-5577	\$
34	First Community Title 254-947-8480	\$
	Farmer's Insurance Zbraneck Agency 254-947-0995	\$
40	W.A. Pace Memorial Park 254-947-5060	V
41	Susan Marie's 254-947-5239	S
49	Lively Coffeehouse & Bistro 254-947-3688	D
55	Salado Family Dentistry 254-947-5242	\$
58	The Shoppes on Main The Marketplace Cafe 254-947-0888	S D
60	Salado Creek Jewelry 254-855-5538	S
62	The Pizza Place 254-947-0222	D
62	McCain's Bakery & Cafe 254-947-3354	D
75	Stage Stop Center	
	Angelic Herbs 254-947-1909	\$
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	Salado Creek Dental 254-308-2027	\$
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76	Salado Civic Center 254-947-5479	\$
81	Salado Wine Seller and Salado Winery Co. 254-947-8011	D
82	St. Joseph's Episcopal Church 254-947-3160	C
84	Old Town Salado The Flower Shop 254-444-0277	\$ S
	The Rose & Bee 512-975-8000	S
85	Wild Texas Cowgirl 512-201-9702	S
	Salado Post Office 254-947-5322	\$
86	Bill Bartlett - Century 21 254-947-5050	\$
87	The Personal Wealth Coach 254-947-1111	\$
90	Presbyterian Church of Salado 254-308-2023	C
91	Troy Smith Financial Services 254-947-0376	\$
92	Salado Sculpture Garden	A
96	Salado Plaza	
	Ace Pest Control 254-947-4222	\$
	Anytime Fitness Salado 254-947-1063	S
	Integrity Rehab 254-699-3933	\$
	Salado's Hair Shop 254-421-5173	\$
	Salado Village Voice 254-947-5321	\$
97	Brookshire Brothers 254-947-8922	S
100	Salado Public Library 254-947-9191	C
113	Salado Church of Christ 254-947-5241	C
126	Cowboy's Barbecue 254-947-5700	D
130	Village Spirits 254-947-7117	S
132	Broecker Funeral Home 254-947-0066	\$
134	The Dog Spot 254-947-3647	\$
135	Carus Dental 254-947-8067	\$
136	Salado Schools & Stadium Village Church of Salado 972-978-2239	C C
139	Cedar Valley Baptist Church 254-947-0148	C
	Not Shown on the Shopping Map	
	3C Cowboy Fellowship 254-947-7211	C
	Grace Church 254-947-5917	C
	Mill Creek Country Club 254-947-5698	V
	JD's Truck Stop and Grill 254-947-5228	S/D



Historical Markers in Salado

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

Lady Eagles win Bruceville-Eddy basketball tourney

Salado Lady Eagles won the Bruceville-Eddy tournament last week after falling to San Saba 53-30 in a non-conference game.

West 31
Lady Eagles 50

Salado Lady Eagles jumped out to a 27-12 half-time lead in their tournament opener against the West Lady Trojans. The girls went on to win 50-31.

Ally Ihler led the girls, shooting 57% from the field and scoring 20 points. Ihler also had a rebound, 3 assists, 2 steals and a block.

Kenslee Konarik followed with 13 points. She grabbed 6 rebounds and 2 steals and had 5 deflections and an assist.

Also scoring for the Lady Eagles were Harley Droulliard, 9 points, 4 rebounds, 5 assists, 3 steals and 3 deflections; Reese Witmer, 4 points, 7 rebounds, an assist and a deflection and Brooke McLaurin, 4 points, 6 rebounds and a block.

Georgetown JV 33
Lady Eagles 42

The Lady Eagles dominated the first half of their contest against Georgetown JV, outscoring them 27-14 before coasting to a 42-33 win.

Taking 22 shots, Konarik led the girls with 20 points. She grabbed 10 rebounds for a double-double and had 5 steals and a block.

McLaurin followed with 7 points, 7 rebounds and 2 steals.

Also scoring were Ihler, 4 points, 2 rebounds and a steal and Marissa Lancaster, 3 points, 2 rebounds and an assist.

Georgetown 9th 35
Salado 41

The Lady Eagles beat the Georgetown 9th grade squad, 41-35, in the second day of the tournament.

Konarik shot 77% from

the field to lead the girls with 18 points. She also had 10 rebounds for her second double-double of the tournament, as well as grabbing 4 steals and blocking a shot.

Ihler followed with 14 points, 2 rebounds, an assist and a steal.

Also scoring: Droulliard, 5 points, 1 rebound, 2 assists and 2 steals; and Witmer, 4 points, 3 rebounds and an assist.

McGregor 27
Salado 48

Salado handled McGregor with ease, 48-27, led by Konarik scoring 18 points.

Konarik also had 6 rebounds, 4 steals, an assist and a block.

Also scoring for the Lady Eagles were Droulliard, 8 points, 1 rebound, 2 assists, and a steal; Lancaster, 6 points, 4 steals and an assist; Ihler, 5 points, a rebound, an assist and a steal; Nikki Poole, 4 points, a rebound, 2 assists and a steal; Darci Pryor, 4 points, and 2 steals; Witmer, 1 point, a rebound and an assist; McLaurin, 2 points, 4 rebounds, 2 assists and 2 steals and Elly Wade, a rebound, an assist and a steal.

San Saba 53
Salado 30

San Saba scored 21 points in the second quarter to take control of the game on Salado's home court. San Saba led 31-11 at the half and won the game 53-30 on Dec. 7.

Ihler led the girls with 10 points. She also had 2 rebounds, an assist, a steal and a deflection.

Also scoring were Konarik, 6 points, 11 rebounds, 8 deflections, 4 steals, 2 blocks and an assist; Droulliard, 6 points, 3 rebounds and 2 assists; Witmer, 5 points, 4 rebounds and a deflection and McLaurin, 3 points, 4 rebounds, an assist and a deflection.



Salado Lady Eagles are champions of the Bruceville-Eddy varsity basketball tournament. Shown above are (front row, from left) Darci Pryor, Marissa Lancaster, Harley Droulliard; (back row, from left) Ally Ihler, Elly Wade, Kenslee Konarik, Nikki Poole, Brooke McLaurin and Reese Witmer. (COURTESY PHOTO)



Two tournaments at Dripping Springs were canceled as the Salado Wrestling Team took a pause waiting for their coach to recover from a brief illness. One team member, London Woods, did enter the Girls Division, going 4-1 and earned a bronze medal out of 10 in her weight class (148). The Eagles are preparing to attend a large tournament at Bryan High School on Dec. 18 where competition in four divisions will be offered: Girls/Boys Varsity/Boys JV/Boys Rookie. Two years ago, the Bryan event hosted 1,000 wrestlers from across the state.

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JV Red wins its own tourney



Salado Lady Eagles JV Red won their own JV basketball tournament held Dec. 9 and 11. Shown above are (front row, from left) Lorali Bookout and Kayla Adams; (back row, from left) Coach Jodee Preston, Ainsleigh Liebig, Brooklyn Williamson, Ariel Cebreco, Giselle Salazar, Madi Riggle and Brooke Ellithorp. (COURTESY PHOTO)

Salado Lady Eagles JV Red won their own basketball tournament Dec. 9 and 11, beating Lorena 42-38 in the championship game.

JV Red 51
Rogers 19

Salado JV Red Lady Eagles led Rogers 20-10 at the half before blowing the game out in the second half to win 51-19 on Dec. 9.

Ariel Cebreco led the girls with 19 points followed by Ainsleigh Liebig, 18 points and Angel Van de Plas, 10 points.

Also scoring were Giselle Salazar and Madi Riggle, 2 points each.

JV Red 51
Belton JV 28

The JV girls blew past Belton in the second round, 51-28 on Dec. 9.

Van de Plas led Salado with 21 points. Liebig had 12 points to follow.

Also scoring for Salado were Cebreco, 6 points, Cooper Meyer and Salazar, 3 points each, Lorali Bookout, Brooklyn Williamson and Riggle, 2 points each.

JV Red 30
Lake Belton 18

Salado JV Red beat Lake Belton JV 30-18 in the third round of the tournament.

Liebig led Salado with 14 points.

Also scoring for the JV girls were Riggle, 7 points, Kayla Adams, 3 points and Bookout, Cebreco and Salazar, 2 points each.

JV Red 42
Lorena 38

In the only close game for the JV Red Lady Eagles, Salado staved off a fourth quarter run by the Lorena Lady Leopards to win 42-38

on Dec. 11.

Cebreco led Salado with 13 points, followed by Liebig, 10 points.

Also scoring were Salazar, 7 points, Riggle, 6 points, Adams, 4 points and Bookout and Williamson, 1 point each.

JV Red 34
San Saba JV 17

The Salado JV Red Lady Eagle beat San Saba 34-17 in a non-district game Dec.

7.

Liebig led Salado with 11 points.

Also scoring for the Lady Eagles were Van de Plas, 6 points, Cebreco and Salazar, 4 points each, and Sydney Lange, Adams and Williamson, 2 points each.

The JV girls are coached by Jodee Preston.

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Eagles take 2nd in Academy

Salado Eagles took second place in the Academy basketball tournament last week, losing to Waco Connally, 60-45, in the final game Dec. 11. The Eagles lost to Rogers, 50-45, last week in a non-conference game.

Salado 76
Grandview 40

Salado Eagles cruised past the Grandview Zebras, 76-40, in the first round of the tournament.

The Eagles led 20-13 after the first, 39-24 at the half and 61-34 to start the fourth quarter.

Josh Goings hit 12 of

his 25 shots from the field and led the Eagles with 33 points. He also had 4 rebounds, 6 steals, 5 deflections and an assist.

Darius Wilson also had double figures for Salado with 13 points on 5-of-10 shooting from the field. He had 4 rebounds, 3 assists and a steal.

Also scoring for the Eagles were these: Noah Self, 9 points, 3 rebounds, 2 assists, 2 deflections and a steal; Cayden Stump, 7 points, 5 rebounds, an assist, a deflection and a steal; Owen Pitcock, 4 points, 2 rebounds, 3 steals, an assist and a deflection; Isaac Pet-

tigrew, 2 points, 4 rebounds and an assist; Hutton Haire, 2 points, 2 assists and a deflection; Caleb Sirmon, 2 points, 4 assists, 2 steals, 2 rebounds and a deflection; Nolan Miller, 2 points, 3 rebounds, an assist and a deflection and Brady Ihler, 2 points, 2 rebounds, 2 deflections and an assist.

Salado 77
Gatesville 62

Salado Eagles jumped out to a 41-23 lead in the first half of their second round game against Gatesville and went on to win 77-62.

Goings had a hot hand, making 10 of his 14 shots from the field, to lead Salado with 29 points. He was perfect at the free throw line making all six shots and hit 3-of-5 three-pointers.

Goings also collected 5 rebounds, 4 assists, 8 deflections and a steal.

Stump was 5-of-11 to score 12 points. He had 9 rebounds and 2 deflections.

Self had double figures with 11 points, as well as collecting 2 rebounds, 2 assists, a deflection, a steal and a block.

Also scoring for the Eagles were the following: Wilson, 8 points, 2 rebounds, 2 deflections; Sirmon, 5 points, a rebound, 8 assists, 4 steals and a deflection; Haire, 5 points, 3 rebounds, an assist; Ihler, 5 points, 6 rebounds, 2 assists; Pettigrew, 2 points, 2 rebounds, an assist, a deflection and a steal.

Salado 45
Connally 60

Salado fell to Connally 60-45 in the championship round of the tournament. Connally led 27-25 at the half before blowing out the third quarter, outscoring Salado 17-7.

The Cadets shot 47% on two-point attempts and held

Salado to 29% shooting on an equal number of shots, 29. Salado hit only two of 22 three-point shots while the Cadets made two of their 10 three-pointers.

The Cadets converted turnovers for 18 points while Salado scored just 4 points off of turnovers. The Eagles got 14 second chance points compared to 7 second chance points for the Cadets.

Goings led Salado with 25 points, hitting nine of 25 from the field. he also had 8 rebounds, an a deflection, a steal and a block.

Also scoring for Salado were these: Stump, 5 points and 4 rebounds; Self, 4 points, 4 rebounds, 4 assists, a deflection and a steal; Pitcock, 3 points, 2 rebounds, a steal and a block; Ihler, 2 points, 5 rebounds, 2 deflections and 2 steals; Haire, 2 points and 2 rebounds and Wilson, 2 points, a rebound and an assist.

Salado 45
Rogers 50

Salado Eagles lost on the road to Rogers, 50-45, in a non-district game Dec. 7.

Rogers had a commanding 23-14 halftime lead before both teams found the basket in the second half. Salado outscored Rogers 31-27 in the second half, but came up short.

Ihler had a double-double to lead Salado with 14 points and 13 rebounds. he also had 2 deflections, 2 steals, 2 blocks and an assist.

Goings followed with 13 points, 5 rebounds and an assist.

Also scoring for the Eagles were Self, 6 points, 7 rebounds and 2 assists; Wilson, 6 points and 7 rebounds; Sirmon, 3 points, 2 rebounds and an assist and Stump, 2 points, 3 rebounds and a deflection.

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SHS volleyball awards banquet



Academic All-State Team: Emma Grant, Kenslee Konarik, Lainey Taylor



Macy Morris received the Coaches Award



Lainey Taylor and Haleigh Wilk were named Co-MVP's for Salado.



Reese Rich was named Salado's Defensive MVP



Academic All-District Team: Front (l-r) Emma Grant, Jordan Ferguson, Katey Bartek, Kiara Dabney, Nikki Poole, Reese Rich, Sara Ellis. Back (l-r) Brianna Waters, Grace Clemons, Haleigh Wilk, Kenslee Konarik, Lainey Taylor, Macy Morris.



Nikke Poole was named Salado's Most Improved Player



Kenslee Konarik was named Salado's Offensive MVP



(l-r) 2nd Team All-District: Sarah Ellis, Jordan Ferguson. 1st Team All-District Macy Morris, Reese Rich. District 19-4A MVP Lainey Taylor. Co-Setter of the Year Haleigh Wilk. First Team All-District Kenslee Konarik. Honorable Mention Nikki Poole

SHS inducts new NHS members

Superintendent's Corner

by Dr. Michael Novotny



Congratulations to the following students for being inducted into the Salado High School National Honor Society this year. To qualify for NHS, students need to meet all of the following five criteria:

- Be a sophomore, junior, or senior
- Membership is based on scholarship, leadership, service and character
- Have a weighted cumulative average of 100, and must have taken a minimum of two Pre-AP and/or AP classes in the core content areas
- Active member of two or more school activities or organizations for one or more semesters preceding application to NHS.
- Six hours of volunteer service is required for initial entry

SMS girls basketball

The 7th grade Lady Eagles played a very physical game against the Patterson Lady Cavs Dec. 13 and came home with the victory. The game was fast and aggressive and our girls did not back down and handled the pressure well. Scorers for the Lady Eagles include Maedgen 9, Johnson 8, Kincaid 2, Smith 2, McCoin 2, Craddick 16. Brylee Craddick is player of game for her hustle on rebounds as well as her offensive output.

The 8th grade Lady Eagles played well against a very athletic Patterson Lady Cav team and came home with the win. The game was physical and the girls held their own and managed to win 34-6. Scorers include Haas 2, Serna 4, Guthrie 4, Konarik 12, Law 7, Tutor 5. Mady Serna is player of the game for her hustle on defense and having her best offensive game this year.

NHS inductees are these: Allison Alcozer, Joshua Barker, Audrey Bender, Katy Bennett, Arturo Cejudo Davila, Grace Clemons, Taylor Dabney, Casey Davis, May Davis, Luke Drigalla, Alexis Dudeczka, Paige Fariss, Jocelyn Ferguson, Meri Fischer, Seamus Flanagan, Alexandria Glenn, Morgen Glossup, Davis Graham, Zeina Halabi, Kathryn Haltom, Emma Hassell, Anna James, Lillian James, Caitlyn Kasper, Sydney King, Kase Maedgen, Brody Naegele, Waylon Padleski, Hope Rhoads, Reese Rich, Sawyer Roach, Zane Roche, Elizabeth Rose, Rebekah Sutton, Charley Thomas, Cooper Thomas, Ross Vincent and Cavahn Wilson.

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Letters To Santa

Every year, Salado Village Voice publishes Letters to Santa Claus from third graders at Thomas Arnold Elementary School. It is our pleasure to share this Christmas tradition with you again this year.

Jones Homeroom

Dear Santa,
Hey there! How are the reindeer? Are they ready? Is Rudolph's nose bright enough? This year I want really want a electric scooter, soccer goals, football, MoHoPoly, a movie I would like, lego sets, an elf, Books, our Play room to be clean, time with my family, and a Nerf gun! Please let it snow.

One of your craziest kids Lenleigh

Dear Santa,
Hey there! How are the reindeer? Are they ready? What's your favorite cookies and melc? This year I would Please like a now fone or a now tablet and a now puppy, makeup set gymnastics set, gymnastics mat, gymnastics clothes, soker bol, mor mac up, a now bike, wenter clothes, berbe life in the gream house play house.
Love my puppy and bog and my noo puppy to.
Sophie

Dear Santa,
Hey there! How are the reindeer? Are they ready? What's your favorite cookie? This year I would really like a Pokemon cards electrical scooter Lego Sets my borther wants a PS5 i wants a PS5 phone Nerf gun. but above all, and new shoes. I would love to be with my family.
Sincerely, Aidan

Dear Santa,
Hey there! hos is Blitzen? may i have well maybe a cotton candy machine. oh I would like magic mix please. oh and smile and sisters the book. I would like wach please, Jumanji. oh and an ew art set and a book supplies to make a book please thank you.
Sincerely, Cora

Dear Santa,
Hi how are you doing. it's Almost Christmas I want you and mrs Claus to get plenty of rest for Christmas. May I please have an Xbox 1, and the whole harry potter collection please. and 2nd to last I please madden 22, and nba 2k22
Sincerely, Kayson

Dear Santa,
Hey! How are you. My favorite reindeer is Donner. What's yours? May I please have Super Mario Party, new shoes, and a Nerf gun. and I would love to be with my family.
from, Connor

Dear Santa,
I'm so excited for Christmas ! But I'm not a gredy kid so I'm not going to ask for a lot of toy. Can you ples give me Poke'mon cards and Super Mario Party cards and woodssword chronicles books.
Sincerely, Hudson

Dear Santa,
Hey there! I'm so excited for you to come this year! How Rudolf doing? May I please have a Nerf ultra select, a new lego AT-AT and AT-ST star wars set, another star wars Imperial shuttle lego set, and one finaly a lego M4 Sherman. Say hi to Mrs. Claus for me!

Sincerely, Everett

Dear Santa,
Hi santa how is Rudolf is he ready? By the way can you say hi to mrs. claus for me. PS is Jolly ready? This year I would really love a electrical skateboard, Hover board, And gaming headphones, Lego set, My brother not to hit me, Nerf gun, Art kit, rc car, play ground in back yard, BB gun, pool, New trampoline, v buks, And one more thing A Dirt bike. I fogot to ask what cookie do you lik?
Love, Reid

Dear Santa,
Hey there! How are the elf's? What your favorite cookie? How are the reindeer? This year can I please have a art set and a kitty cat stuffed animal. Thank you so much and please say hi to Mrs. Claus for me. Thanks for my elf last night Lollipop.
Love, Averie

Dear Santa,
Hello Santa! how are doing Down there seem's cold. what's your favorite cookie? Can I please have Pokemon cards, football cards, Patrick Mahomes and Tom Brady football card. Apple computer, adventure time. Stickers and plsuh, Nike Sneakers high top, Iphone 13 pro max. Lamborghini, Tesla, Gucci - clhots, Buccaneers and Kansas City Chief clhots, ATV, Dirt Bike.
Sincerely, Maddox

Dear Santa,
Hey there! How are the reindeer doing? Are they ready to fly of. Can ou say hi to Mrs. claus for me. Please can I have elet trainer box of pokemon cards, laptop, money, teashirt and gravat-ey maze.
Love, Grayson

Dear Santa,
Hi Santa! hey now are the reindeer and the elfs? On and guess where marshmello was. On toe of the christmas tree! may I please have a Jurassic World evloution 2 pS4 game Red dead Redeption 2 PS4 game football posters exactly these type Dac Prescott and Ezekial Elliot tin Dell Computer stuffed Animal tse type ssundee unspeakble preston playz and football cretss basket ball shoes Dac Prescott Jersey Size small PS4 controller basketball hoop evrey diary of a wimpy kid book ever 100 eagle bills a football football gloves 200 packets of vbucks for fortnite.
from, Kasyn

Dear Santa,
Hi Santa! What you doing today. Sophia is the best elf ever. This year I am asking for a Lego set, a dog, and a Playdough set. But what I really want is my to be together for Christmas.
Sincerely, Ashlynn

Dear Santa,
Hey there! How are the reindeer? Are they ready? What's your favorite cookie? This year I would really like new legos, and v-bucks, IRON MAN plushy, The Watermelon Seed Book. Axolotle, Tommyinit, Bad Boy Haol, Mr. Beast, Karl, Chandler, Chris, Plushy's. But most of all my family!
Sincerly, Brenleigh

Dear Santa,
How are you and your reinder? Are they ready? This year I would like a new Hover Board a new phone,

ferret, shake, new shoes, makeup set, gymnanstics outfit, gymnastics mat.
Sincerely, Skylar

Dear Santa,
Hey there! How are you, and the reindeer? Are they ready? What's your favorite cookie? This year I would like a Apple watch and legos, Marval action figures, husky, candy canes. To spend time with my family.
Sincerely, Evette

Dear Santa,
Hey there! How is Comet? I see Pickle and Dill came. I've been naughty this year. But I want a ... Gopro and some house shoes. And if I don't got anything I still Be happy.
Sincerely, Jude

Dear Santa,
Hi waht's you'r favorite cookie how is rudolf can I please have Jumanji iophone Lego Set's GX Pokemon` money , rc tesla model x Truck, Army cloths, buccaneers hat, ATM football cards, buccanneers shirt.
sincerely, Case

Dear Santa,
How are you? I been good. This year and I want a baby doll. And, I want a JoJoSiwa doll!
Love, Jolee

Lane Homeroom

Dear Santa Claus,
I want Bio Shock 2 An HALO Odst An PokemON An Ego Xbox Charger Ansom Be
Hunter

Dear Santa,
1. Odell Bekcham Jr. Signed Football helmet 2. 20 Acres 3. 4 horses 4. a Fence around the 20 Acres. 5. to go gold minning 6. A PS4 7. Madden 21,22 8. Aarron Donald Signed Football Jersey 9. An Elf jar for Elfee 10. New Marbles. 11 Marble track 12. socks 13 Youtube channel
from, Mason

Dear Santa Clus and Mrs Clus,
For Chirtmas i wunt a loam braclet pack pls Santa. and a Hover board. Dont worry Ill Learn how to ride it. and For my mom as a present i wunt a cooking StuFF and For my dad i wunt tools pls prety pls pls get those Stuff. Especially i wunt cooking StuFF a tools pls. als Ugly chrtmas sweater.
your Frind Emma
Sana i Love you Just so yo now

Dear Santa,
for christmas this year I would like a nintendo swich system, and a few squishmellows. also I want you to get a nerf gun for my brother. and pelase get my mom a cofe cup that says best mom ever. and for my dad new sunglasses. and a bone for my dog and yarn for my cat and one more thing for me a verr merry christmas. ps. oh and an ugly christmas sweater and a kitten!
your friend, Alexa

Dear Santa,
I want a wally lego set, and pokemon cards ex , Gx and two x and y and big new two x and y pokemon cards, a pokeball, a Nerf gun sniper, and a unspeakable backpack and unspeakable squishy and night right and unspeakable thumpet and hsrnt and a moster truck, and PS4 and PS5 and TV and Gta5 gameset.
your friend, Alex

Dear Santa,
I want a anther SuDoku whith answer keys, a anathe Elf on the Shelf, an another unacorn slime kit with sents, and a scooby doo squishy.
your friend, Kimberly

Dear Santa claus,
I want a hoverbod and a vr headset and Pokemon and a Bubalahing for my little brother.
your Frend Ayce

Dear Santa Claus,
Christmas want an headset a goingshna.
Keelan

Dear Santa,
I realy want thes thing's so please read. 1. IPhon7+ case 2. A Blue Diary 3. you can surPrise me 4. coten candy maker 5. 3 pakes of slime 6. squishy maker 7. 3 sented squishy's 8. Shoos 9. 4 popet's 10. football
your freand, Arianah

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and stuffed animall and I want teacher Stuff to play and I want the game anme Ouno I want a white bord and I want a key bord and I want the game name candy Land and I want a skate bord. and I want a scotor and a diry and I want popits and squishy and slime and a Jumproe and poptubes and figets and a sweater and a Jombopopit.
Your friend, Graciela

Dear Satu,
I wut a dig dox fall uv dinosaur legos and some pokemon cars and pokemon figyers.
from, Lane

Dear Santa CLaus,
I wand a real dog and a Iphone 13 and a tablet and a Huver Bord and a ckron Book a Bike and a skatbord and a skootder and a elf on the shelf and figits and slime and ear pods.
youer friend, Anissia

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a stuffed a Labrador retriever, German sheperd, Golden retriever, guitar, army men, go cart, army watch, Nerf guns, Nerf bullets, puppy place books, keybord, real puppy, science kit, a scooter, bike, soccer goal, soccer ball, jump rope and goalie gloves.
your friend, Matthew

I want a Pokemon cards but a LOT FO THEM! Please, and a osha ball and a graet baLL, and I want a Lot of Jumbo Pokemon cards. and I to be beter than messi at socer.
London

Dear Santa,
what I want for Christmas is popits and stuffed animals and a pay ground and a real horse squishys and some pompoms and a stiker that says my name
Love, Brooklyn

Dear Santa,
I wish for a Chazard Vmax shiny card real and piano and an intendo Swich and a minecraft lego set and a bayblade with a arena and I want a real live pop up wolf and last I want a nerf gun rightful.
your friend, Oscar

Dear Santa claus,
For christmas I would like a woopy cushion mochies, more friends, nerf gun, pocemon cards, a new big pencil pouch, ipad, fidgets, scary books that are true, ugly christmas sweater,

squishy, jumbo pop-it.
Signed by your friend,
Adicia

Dear Santa,
I want a xbox one I also wnat a uge nerf gun for chrismas I also want a pet lizard.
your friend: Julian

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a gold chain. Thats Real. I aso want a surprise gift. And a lot of figets. A one Real dimond. I aso want thors Axe from the avengers.
from: preston

Dear Santa Claus,
I want 1. Pokemon 2. Xbox 3. Loldoll. 4. Art kit. 5 Iphon with a case 6. Clothes. 7. Nerf gun and bullits and a target. 8. untoxic real make. for my brother a reall car for my mom a foot massager for my dad an ugly cristmas sweater.
your friend, Caralynn

Dear Santa claus,
For christmas I want Led lights and a cinema light box with 300 letters and emjois with a color changeing remote and 2 markers and a bluetooth speaker with a alarm clock that you can touch it and I want some art. I want a 5 pack of mini brand's and a fidget pack and a big slime kit. I want you to get my mom a sweater and my sister a sister a microphone and my older sister a pair shoes. My Pupy's some more toys.
your friend, Isabella

Dere Santiklas,
Want a Nerf gun, I wunt a snow glob, I wunt a Legos, I wunt a 5 ser surbrises
your Friend, Korbon

Dear Santa claus,
I want a hoverbod and a vr headset and poke'mon and a BuBal making for my little brother.
your Frend, Ayce

Layman / Craig Homeroom

Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for the Nintendo switch and the elf food!!!! Every gift that you gave to us last year. I liked it alot and please give a galaxy wallet for christmas and a real owl please. Can you please help me find my wallet? The elft at our house dorpped my Aloe vera.
Thank you! For the presents!!!!
Love, Joseph

Dear Santa,
Thank you so much for the JoJo car I really liked it. I want a puppy. and I want some Leather pants. I also want some fidgets. Thank you for Taking The Things I gave you last year.
Be Safe, Renley

Dear Santa,
thank you! I loved the presents you gave me. This year I want an iPhone13, Tik tok phone case, Bts blanket, Play Doh, and a sketch book. thank you For the gifts Happy Holidays,
Scarlett

Dear Santa,
Thank you for every theng you got me last christmas. I loved it and tell mrs. clause i said hi! I've been very good this year so here is my christmas list. I was wanteing a Barbie Dream can and a lot of fidgets. A Barbie Extra and a big bucket of Slime. I also want a fairy, Barbie a toy kitchen,

and an american girl doll.
THank you for everything you do you make so many people happy! and merry christmas! Love,
Charlee

Dear santa,
Thak you so much for the presents last year. I really enjoyed Playing with them. This year i want something a little diffrent. This year I want a new puppy German sheperd. New Phone, nerf gun I think I will really enjoy Playing with them. Thank you for reading all my letters.
Love, Rian

Dear Santa,
Thank you so much for my present last year. I really like the skateboarde. I have a question I want a few thing first. a puppy, apple pencil, art supplies, bedding, a phne, phone casens. I really hope you like your cookies.
Morry Christmas! and happy new year, Kylie

Dear Santa,
Thank you Santa for my ballet slippers last Christmas I love them.
This year I wouldl ike an anime lamp because I love anime so much, even though I can't watch it a lot because my mom won't let me.
So if you could get me one, I would love that! I would love it so much because I enjoy anime so that i really want one I will be grateful. Merry Christmas and happy new year and get good rest! Love you Santa.
Love: Emily

Dear Santa,
Thank you so much for the stuff you out in my stocking. I loved the orange it was good. This year I want the oculus quest 2 and I would probably play this more than my xbox. I would be so happy To be hoenst I've been saying some bad words but Iv'e been pretty good since I got like hundreds of good grade's in the 3rd grade and im honest (since I told you)
Hope you have a good day
from: Brenan

Dear Santa,
Thanks for all the things you do. I'm really happy with my doll house. This year I want a new trampoline. My other trompoline is broken. I want the trampoline with a net around it. I want the trampoline in the spot where my old trampoline was. I don't know if we will move the other trampoline. I gill give you anine carrits For the Flight! I also will give you two cookies For you and mrs clause. Don't eat it! they will be cholate chip.
From Rylee. p.s. tell the raindeer I love them and the dogs if you have any

Dear Santa,
Thank you so much for my presents las year. I reall enjoyed my hoverboard I've played with it all day long and I never stopped. This year I am wanting something with a lot of differences I've been pretty bored lately I really wan't a nintendo switch for christas. I also wan't a lot of pokemon cards, a lot of Pokemon Gams, and booster boxes of Pokemon. Thank you For always reding my list
happy holidays from,
Jax



Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,

thank you for my presents last year. I just started my I survived collection. could you some more I Survived books At pc of hot wheels cars Ive always Wanted a 5th car. my cat aleredy has lots of toys, but rose would need more to play with. Hope you read this!

get vaccinated, Anton

Dear Santa,

Thank you for all of the presents your brought me last year. I really liked my pokemon card packs and opening them. It was fun.

This year i kind of want a fusion strike booster box to open with my dad.

Thank you for reading all my letter.

happy holidays!
from, wolfgang

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the toys.

I want a new tv for my PS4. beacuse my dad's brother was cleaning the tv and it broke. I do not like being bored, like when I do my mom's hair and using her phone.

Thank you for reading my letters!

Have a save trip, cynthia

Dear Santa,

Thank you santa for all those nice, fun Presents. I Loved them. We will Leave you milk and cookies.

I would love a TV for my family, I Pokemon fushion strike booster box, a new dog toy for my dog, I new iophone 13 Pro, I new dog stuffed animal.

I will love your presents. Hope you ride safe. hope you have fun!

from: Ethan

Dear Santa,

Thank you for my microscope. I use it alot.

I would like a little playscape for my baby brother, slime, my own little gymnastic set, a soccer set, and a whole bag of candy. I would really like that an my baby brother would really like that too.

Merry Christmas! Julianna

Dear Santa,

Thank you for my Toys last year. This year I want walki talkes, a fidget spinner, a pack of fidget toys. Thank you for all the stuff you do.

happy holidays, Scarlett

Dear Santa,

thank you santa for everything. Molly was very happy with her toys.

This year I wish for an iphone, chicken supplies/chicken treats, rainbow high dolls, a puppy. and a big bed for molly. (Not another love sack).

Thank you for always including my animals!
Sincerely, Madison

Dear Santa,

I loved my presents last year. I played all day with camera! but I still have my eye on Some things.

this year I would like a Nintendo Switch and lot's of games to go with it. (including animal crossings new horisons) I also would like a chrome book and a fit bit. In case you did not notice I am a walker. ha! ha! ha! oh! And I also need film for my camera so I can capture the christmas moments!

You deserve extra cookies this year!
merry christmas!
Love, Coco

Dear Sanata,

I wan't a Phone. I wan't a Nintendo Switch. I wan't a Fidget Spinner. I wan't a laptop. I wan't Poke'mon cards. Thank you for the Presents. Have a grate evening Santa.

Happy Holidays form, Eduardo

Dear Santa,

Thank you for all the gifts from last year. I had fun playing with my family. we had so much fun. This year I want a camera so I can take pictures of my family. I also want a picture frame so I can put my picture in it. I want a Fidget Spinner. Those are always fun.

Thank you for all my presents!
have a safe flight, myo

Dear Santa,

thank you so much for the presents last year they were good. can I get my dogs something to can you get trippy a Brad new Bed. can you also get Indie a doggy playground? thank you. mary christmas.

from, Fisher

Dear Santa,

Thank you santa for all of the gifts you brought me last year.

This year I want something very cool for Dixie like a Playscape. I have really been wanting an iPhone 13 really Bad. If Holly is not feeling Better By Christmas Eve. Please can you get Her some medicine? thank you santa. Happy Holidays.

Love, Bridget

Dear Santa,

Thank you so much for my gifts last year.

For Christmas I want a golfcart and I want a new toy for my dog. Santa I hope you have a safe drive.

I love you santa. Have a good day! Thank you for always reading my letters.

Happy Holidays! Khloe

Dear Santa,

Thank you Santa for giving me that hot wheels race car track, but htis year I want an iPhone 13, a gaming chair, and a Xbox-X. I also want a computer and of course buble wrap and a bigger tv. Thank you for giving me all of hte stuff that you have already got me

from Dillon

Dear Santa,

Thank you for Foxy! I love it so much and I hope to get her friends.

This year I want New pink glow in the dark scooter, some Robux and a hover board. I would be Really happy! I hope to see you soon.

Love! Wesley

Dear Santa,

Thank you so much for my American Girl Doll, Kalay. She is so much Fun to play with. I Love Kalay. This year can I please get an Elf on the shelf, a puppy, basketball, American Girl doll and everything that is for American Girl dolls and calical critters. I would Love that have a very safe ride.

Sincerly andrea

Dear Santa,

Thank you for my basketball hoop last Christmas. I can make lots of shots with my step brothers.

This Christmas I want one of the cheapest game systems, the LEGO NES! I can spin the winch to play

Super Mario Bros.! Another thing I want is metal Pokemon cards! I never had metal cards before! The last thing I want is a Chrombook! I can download games, make slideshows! More importantly, I can make things from all google resources!

Thank you for always gettings presents for me!

Have a safe ride! Jacob

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the presents you gave me last year especially the trampoline.

This year I want 100 pokemon vmax, vGX sets. iphone. Siberian husky puppy and a lava lamp.

Thank you, Braden

Dear Santa,

Thank you for my presents last year. I really like my skateboard.

This year I'm wanting at least 3 things. The first thing I want is a football of Michigan State. The second thing I want is a Tulane football. The last thing i want is a Oregon football. The reason I want those things is because I love football so much. I will be so happy! Thank you so much for reading this letter.

Merry Christmas, Nathan

Dear Santa,

Thank y for all the toys last year. I really enjoyed them.

this year I want at least 13 boxes and tins. I want these because I am a Pokemon collector. I also want a cute puppy. Thank you if you read my notes!

merry christmas! Warren

Dear Santa,

Thank you so mcuh for my toys last year. I realy loved them.

This year I would love it if you got ma an American Girl with blond hair, Stuff for Bentley, hover board, eletric scooter, Zipline and finally a Amarian girl house.

Thank you for being the best Santa ever.

Happy Holidays!! Love, Evie

p.s. Bentleylove you too!!

Dear Santa,

Thank you for all my gifts last year.

This year I want something a little diffrent I want my dog back from heaven and I want a new nerf gun and if you have time maybe a phone? That would make me really happy.

Thank you for reading this santa.

happy holidays, Brady

Dear Santa,

Thank you so much for my presents last year. I really enjoyed them.

This year I've been wanting a lot. but I don't hink I deserve a lot. But the main three things are custom made vans (Shoes), a sun and moon booster pack and black red and white Addidas football gloves. Thank you for giving me presents.

Have a safe trip, Liam

Dear Santa,

thank you for sending me an outfit for my elf.

This year I want a laptop, candy, and a fidget Pack, Most of all I want a laptop so I can write a ton of stories.

Thank you For reading my letters.

Merry Christmas, Kaylee

Dear Santa,

last year my presents were ok but I want bet-

ter this year. I want a New football, Jordans, money and new video games, and don't eat all the cookies!

Calvin

Dear Santa,

Thank you so much for my presents last year. Iam wishing for something New this year. I wold like the New Babie house.

an iPad pop it case, and a 1,000 books. I would also like a Barbie car too, a phone, and 60 fidgets. I wold also want some more popits.

Thank you so much Santa! Merry Christmas and a happy New year!

Love, Audrey

Dear Father christmas,

Thank you so much for the presents every year! I love every single one!! you make me so happy! Thank you for everything you do!

Have a safe christmas!

Love, Samantha

Lewis

Homeroom

Dear Santa and Rudolf ,

Hey there! How's Rudolf. are you ready for Christmas this year. What's your favorite Cookie. Mine is chocolate chip. this year I thought of a discoball) bike) American girl Doll.) What are you allergic to. I Bet my Dog Well Want aa chew. and may I aso have a suprise. and I would Love it if I can meet you! I Just want to say thank you for all you give to every Buddy!

Love, Perry

Dear Santa,

Hey There! Do you have a favorite reindeer. Mine is Rudolf. by the way can I get a PS3 I really want a game it's called Indiana Jones for xbox. And a Japanese gx Poke'mon pack. And a Poke'mon pillow and blanket, and a squishmellow plz. I really want Japanese gx Poke'mon pack. Plz.

from, Kayvin

Dear Santa,

Hey there! Do you have a favorite cookie? Mine is a golden oreo. THis year for christmas I would like a Oculus and Some games and that my family is happy.

Sincerely, Eric

Dear Santa,

I have a question what is your favorite cookie? My cookie is cookie dough and oreo cookie to. This year for Christmas I would like a African Boerl Boerl, toy horses. and my family to be happy.

Sincerely Madeline

Dear Santa and mis Closs,

Are you rete for Christmas Are the reindeer rete for Christmas. I want for Crismis is pokemon and PS4 and shoes and a drone and GoPro and a chootuo and Tom Brady jersey.

Sincerely Briggs

Dear Santa,

Hey there! Do you have a favorite reindeer? Mine is Rudolf. This year I would like some pokemon packs, a ps4 and maybe new hamster supplies. Most of all I just would like my family to be happy together.

Sincerly, Wyatt

Dear Santa,

Hey there! Do you have a favorite reindeer? Mine is Rudolf. This year for Christmas is a hamster a new Christmas movie. The thing I want most is my family to be happy.

Love, Abigail

Dear Santa,

Hey there! How is Dash-er doing? Ok that's good. May I have a PS5, a Lamar Jackson pillow cover, and a Lamar Jackson blanket and roller blades. Last is a Lamar Jackson Jersey.

Love, Brycen

Dear Santa,

Hey there do you have a favorite Milk? may I have pokemon. The thin I want most of all is world peaca.

Sincerely, Drevan

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Clause,

Hey there! I couldn't even imagine how great it would be seeing the world once a year! This year I want would like a pet of any kind but a cat because my moms allergic to them. I would aslo like for Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Lewis to have the best year ever! And poor people to have a warm shelter and tasty foods and all of my friends to get what they wish for even if they have been noty please make that exception.

Sincerly, Camryn

Dear Santa,

Hey there! I have a question what's your favorite cookie? may I have some bathbombs if I could also have a mug, shoes would be nice. I also would like a squishmellow but I just want to see my family faces on christmas mornig.

your friend, Bryce

Dear Santa,

Hey there! Do you like going around the world? I wish I did that. This year may I please have army Vans shoe's and a computer. May I please have a Tom Brady jersey. Can I please have a Large Tom Brady jersey for my dad. Most of all I want my family to be happy and all together. May I have a Hover Board.

Sincerely, Sierra

Dear Santa,

Hey there! What's your second holiday? Mine is Halloween. May I have for christmas a PS5 and a Pokemon set. Can I have a gold and black Messi jersey. I want my family to be happy.

Sincerely, Hunter

Dear Santa,

Hey there! What's your favorite reindeer? Mine is Rudolf This year for Christmas I would like Popits and little squishmellows. May be some new headphones? Most of all I just want my family to be happy about Christmas.

Sincerely, Samantha

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! What is your favorite cookie? I Don't konw what cookie I want to bake you this yaer. How is Rudolf cn you say hi to hime of me. I want a friends camper Lego. I also want a toy horses. I want a soccer net. and I want new headphones. I want to ask you a question what was The first reindeer you found. I thik it was Donner.

Sincerely, Vivian ps: please write back

Dear Santa,

Hey! I'm sooo excited for christmas. I hope this is your most favorite christmas ever! I am so sorry that some people dont beleive in you. Dont listen to those jerks! Anyways, I dont want much for christmas. All I would Like is a Baita Fish and a cat and Baita Fish. and most of all world

peace!

Sincerely, Kennedy

p.s. I also would like some realy good pokemon and some rainbow ones too please.

Dear Santa,

Hello Santa I have a question. Do you have a favorite cookie? Mine is Oreo. This eyar for Christmas I would like a football sined by Patrick Mahomes. Some V-bucks pelase. And a rainbox Gigantimax Vmax Japanese Pokemon. But most of all I just want to have a good time at Christmas.

Sincerely, Benn

P.S. Have a good Christmas Santa!

Dear Santa, Rudolf

Hi Santa I thought to surprise my family with christmas joy and my mom and Dad and sister and cousin and grammom and uncles and Aunts and my geko named python He's the best geko I ever seen and I Love Him so much and hes so cute and he let's me tuche his hede.

Sincerly, Daniel

Dear Santa,

Hey there! Do you like Christmas Santa May I have a bike and a Squishmellow and The Secod thing I want is One box of fidgets and a iPad please Santa thank you santa and Merry christmas Santa,

Isabella

Dear Santa & Pranser,

What's your favorite cookie? Mine is chocolate chip. May I have a VMAX Gigatumas Pokemon & A bugy like briggs & a vmax set & 900,000,000,000 robux & My family to Be Happy

Sincerly, Hagan

Dear Santa,

I haven't been very good this year. It's ok if I don't get any presents. All I need is my family and freinds. But if you wanted to get me something I would love a xbox series x with a light up controller and minecraft. Don't forget the game pass. I almost forgot I have a PS4 so can I have a gift card with money.

- Tucker

Mitchel

Homeroom

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? My ELF's are so so sweet Thay brought me cereaL. Rudolf and JINGLE'S are so sweet. How is your favorite reindeer? My Favorite reindeer is all of them becues they are so cute. I Love thar antLRS becues they are so soft. Christmas is the Day that Jesus is Born. I Love Jesus and Santa.

Love, Jolee

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Are all the reindeer healthy and ready to fly on christmas Eve? Santa when Im I going to get my elf!! I went gifts I went a crown I went Robucks I went buddy to come to my house and I went Book's and a trip too Hawaii.

Thank you so much for being so giving. I want to be generous like you.

your Friend, Cataleyn

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Do you know Buddy? What is your favorite food? How are you'r reindeer doing? Ok I want to be a goat at football. Are you a elf? call me santa. How have you



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been? I've been a good boy. I want a PS4 Legos Dude perfect stuff. A and M stuff. I am giving you 20,000 cookies.

your friend, Cade

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? How did you heard about Buddy? do you know Rudolf the red Nose Reindeer and christmas is my favorite holiday?

I really want for this year is a PS5, iphone 11, sanid game, stuffed animals, sanid game stuff, a elf, tablet, computer. and dog map books, wbiey kid books i want Pokemon that are shioy, sml puppets Jeffy cooly my good mp puppets.

How many reindeers do you have? and one more thing I want fo christmas is Robucks.

your freind, Javier

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Are all the reindeer healthy and ready to fly on christmas Eve? How meny elfs do you have? christmas is my secent favret hlday becas of the bershins. I feel like I've hade a good year. For christmas I wunt a drone, bikey Legend of rock paper sersshot the book, xbox gase and a snak pake.

Thank you for the gifts.
your Friend, Blake

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Are all the reindeer healthy? Have they been practicing?

I feel like I've had a really great year. I'm pretty sure I'm gonna be on the good list this year. I need some milk and cookies. Do you want any cookies? Any milk? I really really really hope you have a Super good year. Thank you for the gifts you've given us.

Your Friend, Elijah

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Are the elf redy to go? Hey santa I was wondering if you can take a photo with my tree and give me it ples? I want to be like you.

your Gracen

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Are all the reindeer healthy for Chrismis Eve? Is Rudolf your favorite? christmas is my favorite holiday. I love the elf buddy what is your Favorite elf can I have chocolate delicious bannies and know that Rudolf is rell and can I get a Trit to Hawaii and same Rodax. and I want a lote of gift's this year.

So cani please get a PS5? And a iphone for my sister and a xbox360 for me and dolls. and Airpods and Nerf guns and a swich and a phone. Santa I'm not traing to de rude But I whant it to show a gene well not Just to show a Snow Storm.

yor friend: Alana!

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? is Rudolf feeling alrite for chrismis eve? I can't wate for chismis it is going to be sooooo exited. It's going to be sooooo exited. It's going to be so fun. I wunt a millions of gallins of chocklit milk and a xbox 360 and a bmx bike and a iphone 13 and football and baseball stuff and a Tyreek hill gersy and a tom brady gresy and a Derrick Hebly gersy and a zeko eleit gresy and a mike evens gersy and a rob ghrowsky gersy.

your freind, Lucas

Dear santa,

How are you doing? Are you ready for a Christmas

night? I will tell my mom to get yyou cookies and milk. And thank you for the gifs since I was 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8. You are so polite. Two elf's is in are classroom and there watching us.

Thank you Devin

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I promise every christmas you well get cookies every christmas. And I hope the tree is not to rough. You have almost the same name as me. It's Nicholas and I also hope you dont drop any of the presents good-bye.

Love, Nic

Dear Santa,

how are you doing? Are all the raindeer healthy like Dasher, Dancer, comet, Vixen, Rudolf, cupid, Donder, Blitzen and a pc and a PS5 and a xbox series x and a 4K tv and a better gaming desk and a high teck drone and more led lights and tape and a dirt bike, honda and poster's also thank you so much for all you give to toehrs you'r so kind.

your friend, Hays

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I am exited for Christmas, are you? Can I have a dog please because deuce is lonly, can I also have some pop its and a desk and a computer. And you can pick the rest.Thank you for all the presint.

Your friend, kaden

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Are all the raindeer ready for christmas Eve? Do you have a favorite elf? My favorite elf is Buddy. Do you have a favorite chismas song?

I am so exsited for chishmas! I can not wate for you to come on the 27th. For chismas I wold like an xbox. Pokemon. legos. 2 elfs, a new tablet, hover board, drone, a photo of santa, I Phone 12, figets.

Your friend, May

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Are you ready for Christmas. I hope i am on the nice list. I Love the hot Chocolate and crossants. Those are so delicious. I hope I get a lot of figet's. I wonder when my Elf on the Shelf will come. Thank you so much for being so giving and kind. I hope I can be like you.

Your Friend, Truly, Caroline

Dear Santa,

How are you Doing? is Comit your favrite or is Cupid? Is buddy your reall elf. My favrite reindeer rudof. I love my elf sacreeon. you are a star. Can i have a Diamonring?

your girl, Daisy

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? This holiday is the best! For chistmas I would like a 4 wheeler or v-bux cards.

your Friend, Landon

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Are all the reindear healty and ready to fly on christmas eve? Who is your favorit reindeer? Christmas is my favorit time of the year. I feel like I've had a really great year. I know you have a lot of gifts to give this year so I only want: Hover board, art set, slime and another bike, and chocolate, and mints, and fidgets.

Thank you so much for being so giving I want to be geneous like you.

your Friend, Macy

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Are all the reindeer healthy and ready to fly on christmas Eve? is Rudolf your favorite? Do you know Edi my elf? How did you find where I moved. I feel like I've had a pretty good year. I know you have a lot of gifts to give so this year I only want a plush elf. Thank you for being so generous.

your friend, Karson

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Are you doing well and are yyour Reindeer doing well? I wonder how much magic you haves and What is your favrit cookies. What i want a Lego Set. Thank you Santa.

Your Friend, Lennix

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Are all the reindeer ok? What up kid? Is Buddy doin good? I want a hoverboard, four wheeler, dirt bike and a pig, Also choki milk. v-bucks, ginger bread men, squid game toy's a trie Korea.

-Crosby, I been a good boy

Dear Santa,

Thank you for working so hard on presents for everybody. Can you Plese give me a tablet. I would Love to Play givi Games on it I will make good choices. I hope you have a great christmas

Love, Cynthia

Oborski

Homeroom

Dear Santa clause,

For christmas this I want a lot of things such as my own scooter, fidgets, money, Drawling blank paper, colored paper, crayons, markers, paint, more clothes, lego friends lego sets, and most of all Santa I really want my dog murphy to be trained.

Sincerly, Piper

Dear Santa Claus,

This Christmas is a unicorn plushy, makeup, skirt, shirt and pants, Baby sitters cluB Book and fidget also a sweter thank you!

from, Kimya

Dear Santa Claus,

I Love to zoom in the wind. you now wat would be like zooming in the wind a electric scooter. and two more things a unicoren plushy and a 10 pack of squashy.

Julieann

Dear Santa Claus,

I want for this christmas for a new 10 stuff animals and a new sparkle bike and a new LoL doll house and a LoL van and a big big teddy bear and a stunet desk and a huverboard and a whole new begasand.

Love, Karleigh

Dear Santa Claus,

I want Pokemon cards for cristmas for example a Rillaboom VMAX, Ditto VMAX, Blastoist VMAX, BuBBleSaur VMAX, Pikachu VMAX, Mew VMAX, Mewtwo VMAX, THE END

Your ELF BLAZE

Dear Santa Claus,

I wan a tortal and a horse and a cow and a chikin and geod and pihson is and coloeing stuff and all the wings of fire grafig novals and ear pod and make ap and nale polish and ear un headset and a bird and pokemon and a iphone and a plushey and a vaporeon pokimon card and a hover bord and candy and

my dad to come back from hes deplement and a note Book and another elf ont he sehlf (grile) and a xalotals and a computer

your elf frend, charleigh

Dear Santa claus,

for cristmas can I have a art collection, and a rein-Deer mascot costum, and earpods, and a orange tabby cat, and a Pogo sticke, and to see you.

your fraind, Levi

Dear Santa claus,

This Christmas I want a Barbi hous and a little puppy pleac and a squishe, and a fluffy stuff animal and a babe dolle and a rai-bow plushy, a unico ear pods and thats ol I want for christmas.

your friend, Miley

Dear Santa clause,

I want a mountain bike, and a electric scooter, and a polaroid camra, and cloths, and a bowin arrow, hover bordy and go cart.

your most favorite elf, Peyton the!!! END!!!!

Dear Santa claus,

for christmas this year may I please have 2 switch games witch are super smash Bros. ultimite or animal crossing. But If you cannot Do that then I would like a go kart. And that is all I would like, oh and a very merry christmas and a happy new year!!!

your Little, Believer, Brady

Dear Santa Claus,

for this christmas I want figets Like alot alot of figets please. merry christmas!

you're friend, Addisyn

Dear Santa Claus,

for Christmas I want a phone, a pokemone zacian V union, VR head sret, pokemon pikachu charizard x*blue one* plush, shiny umbreon plush, a kitten or bird or axolotol, minecraft Bava, nintendo Legends pokemon, candy, pokemon mega 80cm razaquza shiny form, more pokemon cards, it slime racher is avR game yes, a happy year!!! and slime,

From, Stella

Der Santa Claus,

a coniy vimea set, a puppy real pokemon 9x casant.

from yo frenb, Ramiro

Dear Santa claus,

I wat ear Pods iPony from, Victor

Dear Santa,

this is what I want and pls don't give me coal. I want gta5 and a vmax charizard. and a gold fish.

Luke

Dear Santa Claus,

what i want for christmas is a iphone a hoverboard a BIG BIG BIG bunny plushy, and new high heels, fidget pack desk fidget organize set.

from, Mollie

Dear Santa claus,

Christmas want vr headset a gaing shan.

Keelan

Stude Homeroom

Dear Santa,

thank you Santa for the Present and my stuff. this year I want a Nintendo and a Airpods and a pokemon cards that are VMAX thank you so much for the stuff.

your friend, Raul

Dear Santa,

Thank you so much for

the presints. I Loved it your the best. I Love Christmas so much thank you Santa.

this year I would Love pokemon mewtwo and more pokemon. and also Airpods, electric skooter. and also a water slide - a big slide! Thank you so much for the prstins from you santa your the best.

your frend, colton

Dear Santa,

Thank you for last year for my o.m.g. dolls I loved playing with them. This year I would love a bib purple unicorn plush and baking stuf and a detailed doll like the ones, in my drawings. so thank you if you give me this, stuf I love you.

Thank you so much for all give love you.
your freind, Caleb

Dear Santa,

Thank you for my awe-some hoodie I use it to chill on the couch when it was the ice storm. This year I'll love airsoft helium balloons's and pie face thats all I like this year. Thank you so much for bringing joy.

Mace

Dear Santa,

Thank you so much for my tooth brush it has helped all year. this year I would love an electric dirt bike or madden 21 and 22 I hope your rian deer are doing good tell mrs. claus I sed Hi thank you.

Gunner

Dear Santa,

Thank you so so much for my Mandlorian lego set! This year I whont Nerf guns and a Deuperfect sweten.

Thank you so much!, Marc

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the sewing machine last christmas. This year I would love Nintendo Pokemon sheld card, pink medeum size cat push.

thank you!! your friend, Hanna

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the ring toss game you got me a and my brother Jamy loved it I was blue team & Jamy was red.

This year I would love a Iphone 12 mint & a game for me & the boys need to hang out more.

Thank you so much for what you give you are so nice & helpful & I'm so happy to see what you bring htis year & I hope to meet you someday.

your friend, Madi

Dear Santa,

I loved my Bright light and played with it a hole lot. thank you so much. This year I would love an electroscooter, airpods, thank you so much for the Joy you bring us.

your friend, Daisy

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the gifts you gave me last year. This year I would like a nintendo swich and a swich light pink. I love you santa! Thank you.

your friend, Lyla

Dear Santa,

Thank you so much for my PJ and Christmas and for toys I play with them. I will want Nerf guns and Nintendo please I want a Pokemon carde with Mewtwo GX. Thank you so much for all you give to others. you are I would love to meet you someday!

your friend, Joshua

Dear Santa,

Thank you so much for my awesome train set! I always played with it. That is until some things broke. This year I want a electrical kit like the type that parker had. Thank you for all the stuff you have gave me over the years.

Your Friend, Bryce

Dear Santa,

Thank you so much for my awesome LoL I always play with it. This year I would love a phone 12 and a pottery wheel and a Nintendo lite and a Pokemon cards and a hover board. Thank you so much for being so nice and kind and I can not wait for my presents.

ho ho ho Love, Ellie

Dear Santa,

Thank you so much for my great Book's last Christmas I read them so much. they were wonderfull. Santa this year I need you to get me candy and more Books and a Pottery wheel and airpods. Please can I have these I will be good and kind. Thank you so much for everything. I will give you so much cookies and milk.

your wonderfull great friend Maddie

Dear Santa,

thanks for My presents from last year. For this year I want the red Shirt vmax box and a Nitendo. Think you so much.

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(StatePoint) After learning to live life more remotely in 2020 and 2021, it's time to view 2022 as a fresh start.

To help you adopt a new, balanced way of living, FrogTape brand painter's tape and celebrity interior designer, Taniya Nayak, are sharing five home interior design trends meant to inspire spaces that will welcome guests, while still incorporating the special intimacies that may have been rediscovered from slowing down. Each trend can be utilized for a full home makeover or incorporated into little touches to freshen up a space.

1. Embrace. Embrace everything that is good in your life and create a sense of comfort, warmth and security. Nayak recommends cozy textures and a palette of mellow coral, subtle orange, soft green and creamy shades of white and brown to achieve this look in spaces like bedrooms or family rooms. A simple and stylish way to incorporate this into a room is to add a coat of paint to a textured basket for a pop of color. Then, fill it with plenty of plush blankets to complete the cozy look and feel.

2. Rise. Give a fresh perspective to your existing space with the 'Rise' trend. Inspired by the morning light peeking through the shades, incorporating this trend into your bedroom or bathroom is bound to invigorate and motivate you. For example, add a coat of green paint to your closet door for a nice pop of color to an area where you start your day.

No matter where you're looking to add fresh color, you'll want to achieve clean, sharp paint lines. One of Nayak's go-to tools is a premium painter's tape that produces professional-looking results, like FrogTape brand painter's tape, which is treated with patented PaintBlock Technology, to



Creative and easy to achieve, these rising trends for 2022 provide inspiration to refresh your home's interior.

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3. Gather. Gathering with friends and family has been long awaited, so set the mood and ambience just the way you imagined it. Inspired by the depth of conversations with loved ones, the 'Gather' trend embraces rich, dark tones like navy, teal or forest green. Incorporate this trend by painting the focal point of a room, like kitchen cabinets or the living room fireplace. Or, add bold, dark details with furniture and artwork. You can keep it subtle by creating custom centerpieces dipped in paint and wrapped in twine.

4. Revive. Revive your home with soothing and vibrant shades of pink, orange and blue to create a balance of motivated yet satisfied. Consider adding a vibrant paint color to old, worn-down details like a front door, nightstand or kitchen table. It might feel out of context, or out of character, but give it a try.

"This trend can be described as carefree, festive and fun," said Nayak. "Whatever it is that makes you happy...go for it!"

5. Shine. The 'Shine' trend is all about letting your true self shine. Implement this trend in any room throughout your home by embracing every color of the rainbow and visually displaying what's in your heart. Using FrogTape, tape off a custom pattern that is uniquely yours and paint it

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(StatePoint) Sticking to a schedule is good for health, wellness and productivity, and the start of a new year is the perfect time to form great habits. Resolve to adhere to a daily routine with the following tips and tricks:

• Write it down: The act of writing things down can help reinforce priorities. Keep a list of short- and long-term goals, events and meetings. Be sure to check items off your list as you complete them. Doing so can help you stay motivated.

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• Keep it consistent: Keep both bedtime and the time you awake consistent day-to-day. Doing so can mean better quality slumber so you will be more alert, energized and ready to tackle tasks. Consistent meal times can also be beneficial, helping you maintain your energy throughout the day, manage metabolism and avoid hunger.

• Don't overdo it: It can be tempting to try to schedule more tasks and to-dos into your day than is actually realistic. Doing so however can leave you feeling constantly stressed, and always in catch-up mode. Be sure your schedule offers you sufficient time to actually complete tasks and travel between appointments.

• Practice self-care: Downtime is essential. Whatever self-care looks like to you, be sure to build it into your schedule, whether that means relaxing with a good book, getting together with friends or working out.

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12/05/2021	BUGLE DR, Bell County	Smoke Scare; Odor of Smoke
12/06/2021	INDIAN TRL, Salado	Heart Problems
12/06/2021	TOMMY LOOP, Bell County	Dispatched & Cancelled en route
12/06/2021	HILL RD, Bell County	Psychiatric / Abnormal Behavior
12/07/2021	STINNETT MILL RD, Bell County	Falls
12/07/2021	ELMER KING RD, Bell County	Dispatched & Cancelled en route
12/08/2021	RUNNING CREEK DR, Bell County	Dispatched & Cancelled en route
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12/08/2021	ELMER KING RD, Bell County	Power Line Down
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12/09/2021	HIGHLAND DR, Salado	Difficulty Breathing
12/09/2021	MAIN ST, Salado	Difficulty Breathing
12/10/2021	INTERSTATE 35, Bell County	Motor Vehicle Accident with Injuries
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