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Salado ISD enrolls 112 new students

Salado ISD enrolled 112 new students on New Student Enrollment Day July 25 but are expecting more for the first day of school when student return on Aug. 17.

Thomas Arnold Elementary has the most new students with 71. By grade new student enrollments are Pre-K 3, 3; Pre-K 4, 10; Kindergarten, 19; First Grade, four; Second Grade, eight; Third Grade, 12; Fourth Grade, 12 and Fifth Grade, three new students.

Salado Middle School enrolled 22 new students during the new student enrollment. By grade, new student enrollments are Sixth Grade, 11; Seventh Grade, seven and Eighth Grade, four new students.

Salado High School enrolled 19 new students during the new student enrollment. By grade, new student enrollments are Ninth Grade, eight, 10th Grade, six; 11th Grade, four and 12th Grade, one new student.

Salado is anticipating 2,384 students for 2022-23, which is an increase of 139 students over the 2,245 enrollment estimated for the 2021-22 budget. The district actually had 2,242 students enrolled in 2021-22, an increase of 137 students over the prior year.

Salado ISD has averaged more than a 5% increase in enrollment each year for the past decade.

Salado ISD is one of the fastest-growing districts in Region 12 service center.





Salado Fire Department was called out to a brush fire Aug. 5 off of Royal St. that threatened but did not spread to any residential structures in Mill Creek. The fire consumed 5.4 acres. Salado fire received assistance from Belton, Jarrell, Holland, Bartlett, Little River, Bell County Emergency Management, Texas Forest Service, and Nation Forest Service with personnel and assets from Kentucky, South Dakota, Tennessee, Wyoming, and Oregon. The following afternoon, Salado responded to a car fire on I-35. There were no injuries. On Aug. 8, they assisted Belton Fire at a brush fire at Fox and Elmer King that was 13 acres. No structures involved. (Photos by Tim Fleischer)

BoA approves \$675,587 design for playground

By TIM FLEISCHER EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Salado aldermen Aug. 4 approved the \$675,587 design of Phase 1 of an All Abilities Playground to be built at Pace Memorial Park. To-date, \$300,000 has been raised for the playground.

Over the last four months, the Village's Parks Advisory Board has worked with the design-build team of Braun & Butler Construction to develop a proposed multi-phase design for the all-abilities playground to be constructed in Pace Park. The proposed design incorporates public input gathered from multiple public meetings and a community-wide on-line survey.

Upon approval of the proposed playground design, Parks Advisory Board members will work with the Village staff on the development of a long-term plan to fund all phases of the proposed development.

Village administrator told aldermen that in seeking approval of the design of Phase 1, he is not seeking approval

for additional funds from the Village to fund construction of the All-Abilities Playground. Of the \$675,587 cost, \$192,667 is for the playground equipment, \$104,286 is for labor and \$324,946 is for miscellaneous expenses for the project.

Labor costs include \$33,600 for a project superintendent, \$10,000 for a project manager and \$47,438 for in labor for the playground equipment itself.

The chief miscellaneous expenses include \$79,000 for contractor's contingency; \$70,176 for 2,800 sq. ft. of sitework; \$69,500 for site masonry; \$29,300 for concrete work for a retaining wall, parking area and sidewalk; \$16,250 for a permanent fence and gate; \$14,000 for landscaping; \$10,170 for demolition of the existing stone wall and \$5,995 for site utilities.

The main playground structure incorporates single wide ADA accessible ramps for access to the majority of the structure's decks. The Trans-Glide has a geared handle mechanism that activates gliding back-and-forth motion and is accessible via wheelchair. Various climbing components will challenge different abilities and ages as well as overhead bars. It will also include molded rubber balancing spheres.

Other equipment includes a Friendship Spinner merrygo-round that allows children that use mobility devices to ride alongside their friends. The friendship spinner is accessible to wheelchairs.

Phase 1 will include Multi-Bay Swings that are accessible to wheelchairs

Phase 2, which was discussed but not approved at this time, will cost a further \$216,283. Of that, \$89,991 is for the equipment itself, which is Spin-Max Orbit., described in the literature as a "multi-user spherical spinner that offers unliique climbing and spinning experiences. With two interior levels for children to explore and plenty of inclusive seating. Asymmetrical netting creates a variety of opening, perfect for users of varying



Design Concept of All Abilities Playground.

size and abilities. An adjustable speed limited ensure cotrolled spinning fun."

Other costs included in

Phase 2 are \$27,069 for site work; \$35,000 for contractor contingency and labor costs of \$28,210.

Phase 1 approval came on a motion by John Cole. second from Jason Howard, passing unanimously.

TSTA survey shows 70% of teachers consider leaving

TEXAS STATE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

A record 70 percent of teacher-members surveyed by the Texas State Teachers Association said they were seriously considering leaving the profession as they ended a difficult school year last spring. The number was the highest ever recorded in the teacher moonlighting and morale survey, which has been tracking Texas teachers' concerns for more than 40 years, and it was a significant jump from the 53 percent who expressed similar feelings the last time the survey was conducted in 2018.

"Lingering stress from the pandemic is a factor, but it isn't the only one. Inadequate pay, political attacks on educators and the failure of state leaders to protect the health and safety of students and school employees also have combined to drive to the lowest level in recent memory and endanger our public school system," TSTA President Ovidia Molina

down the morale of teachers

"Many of these teachers will be missing from our classrooms this fall, and for others, it is only a matter of

The survey indicates the vast majority of teachers believe they have lost the support of elected state leaders as well as parents, whose support is critical to a successful public education sys-

Eighty-five percent said they didn't believe state leaders and legislators had a positive opinion of teachers, a sentiment that has been growing during the pandemic. Eighty percent expressed a similar belief in the 2018

Sixty-five percent said the general public didn't

have a positive opinion of teachers either, a significant increase over the 49 percent who thought that way four years ago — before COVID and before Gov. Greg Abbott and many lawmakers started attacking teachers over critical race theory and alleging "pornography" in school libraries. Seventy percent of teachers answering TSTA's survey said parental support for their work also decreased during the pandemic.

"For political reasons, Gov. Abbott has been trying to drive a wedge between parents and teachers, and this has definitely hurt teachers and hurt their students as well. It threatens the future of public education in Texas," Molina said.

Some 94 percent of survey respondents said the stress in their professional lives increased during the pandemic, and 84 percent said their workload and planning requirements increased. Meanwhile, 51 percent said support from their school administrators fell during the health emergency.

Eighty-two percent said they experienced more financial pressures during the pandemic.

Four of every 10 teachers (41 percent) said they took extra jobs during the school year to meet their families' financial needs, even though 79 percent of the moonlighters believed their additional jobs hurt the quality of their teaching. Eighty-seven percent said they would quit moonlighting but, on average, would need a pay raise of about \$12,000 to be able to afford to do so. Fifty-five percent had summer jobs.

The average salary of the respondents was \$59,000, more than \$7,000 below the national average, while their take-home earnings continued to be eroded by rising

health insurance premiums and classroom expenses for which they were not reimbursed.

Their average increase in annual salaries since 2018 was \$5,779, including pay raises ordered by the Legislature in 2019. But much of that was lost to an average \$2,136 increase in annual health insurance premiums. The state has not increased its share of educator insurance premiums in 20 years, despite the ever-rising cost of health care.

Teachers answering the survey also reported spending an average of \$846 out of their own pockets during the past school year for classroom supplies. That was an increase of \$108 over 2018.

"Abbott banned school districts from issuing mask mandates during a dangerous pandemic and, even after the tragedy in Uvalde, he refuses to address sensible gun reform. Teachers have been working for years with inadequate funding and a lack of respect from state leaders. It is time for these leaders to wake up to the crisis they are causing our public schools and put education over politics," Molina said.

The online survey of 688 teacher-members of TSTA was conducted in the late spring and early summer by Dr. Robert Maninger and Dr. Casey Creghan of the School of Teaching and Learning in the College of Education at Sam Houston State University. It is part of an academic longitudinal study begun in 1980. Surveys normally are taken every two years. No survey was conducted in 2020 because of COVID.

Teachers surveyed were from all grade levels and represented urban, suburban and rural school districts. Their average classroom experience was 16.4 years.

FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas

Labor dept: unemployment dips to 3.5%; U.S. exports rise while imports dip

The dear old S&P 500 Index (SPX), our preferred, if decidedly flawed stock market index, turned in a muted but in its own way, delightful week by rising a mere 36/100 of one percent to 4145.19. We find it delightful because that wee rise in value leaves it over 13% higher than it was in mid-June; although down about 13.5% from its high in early January. It also leaves it down 6.57% from last year at this time, but up an astounding 41.5% from three years ago, pre-pandemic. Our other followed market indicator, the CRSP Mid-Cap Value Index slipped 0.79% for the week to 2385.77 but is only down just over 8% from its high point and has risen 9.8% from its bottom in June. This all may just be a so called. "bear market rally" as the pessimists are proclaiming, but if so, it is the most impressive one we have seen in forty years of watching such things.

The benchmark 10-year U.S. Treasury yield zipped up over 7% during the week, bouncing up and down as it went, to close out Friday at 2.843%. With the 2-year note yielding 3.226%, the inversion continues, but there are some indications that Treasury yield curve inversion, circa 2022, may not be the same thing as previous iterations. West Texas Intermediate crude oil (WTI) price per barrel did an impressive 10.36% swan dive to \$88.37, portending perhaps better things to be seen at the gas pump in the days to come.

The Economy

The biggest economic news for the week has to be the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) report that the US unemployment rate dropped to 3.5% as the number of employed nonfarm workers rose by 528,000. This report marks a full recovery to the number of full-time employed persons who were working in February 2020, just before the pandemic hit. At the same

Market & Economic Update

By Jeffrey W. McClure



One set of negative numbers did appear as the BLS reported that initial jobless claims rose to 260,000 for the last week in July; however, that number likely was skewed as the increase was mainly in the state of Massachusetts where a budget issue suggested the state might delay initial claims soon. Across the rest of the country, employers seem to be far more focused on hiring than firing. Historically, initial unemployment filings have run above 300,000 when the country is sliding into the early stages of a recession.

Another couple of positive economic reports seem to contradict the recession mongers. First, our nominal trade deficit was in reverse in June as exports rose 1.7% while imports dropped 0.3%. The other numbers were in the various purchasing managers' index (PMI) reports this week. The S&P Global U.S. Manufacturing Index PMI came in at 52.2 on a scale where numbers

above 50 indicate expansion and below 50, contraction. Even more impressive was the ISM Non-Manufacturing PMI which unexpectedly rose to 56.7 for July, its highest reading in 3-months. Deeper in the report were indications that price pressures were easing and production, running at 59.9, was still being hampered by difficulty finding workers. Again, if this is a recession, it is the most growth-like recession we have ever seen!

Europe is almost certainly

slipping into a very real recession though while at the same time facing near record levels of inflation. The Bank of England raised its rates a half percent and warned that annual inflation will hit 13%. Over in the Eurozone. annual inflation came in at 8.9% in July with Goldman Sachs saying that a recession is already underway. The culprit there as here appears to be the Russian invasion of Ukraine. Then, the reports we have from the People's Republic of China official sources are acknowledging an economic slowdown that looks a lot like a recession on the other side of the world. For all our warts and pimples, it is a good time to be here rather than somewhere

The bottom line remains that the U.S. economy is expanding, no matter what the official GDP numbers for the first and second quarters reported. Yes, the expansion is throttling back a bit, but that is a good thing. We expect inflation to start to moderate over the next few quarters and quite possibly slide back to a long-term normal in 2023. That should allow the Fed to back off, and hopefully give our economy the soft landing we all want to see.



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Thanks for response to blaze

To the Editor:

I am not sure how many folks are aware just how close we came to having the whole darn Village burn last week. I am the property manager for the land tract which burned. A Realtor showing the property bordering almost the entirety of the East side of the Village called my agent at approximately 12:30 Friday saying that an ATV he was using to show the property had sparked a grass fire. My agent, Trent Babb, and I were in Belton on another call and immediatly dropped our business and headed over. We were prepared for disaster due to the density of the brush, trees, and downed and dry cedar

that cover the 155 acres. There is little access to this property as it is a Wildlife refuge and restricted from habitat alteration. I was concerned how the Fire would be contained considering the topography and minimal access. I was sure the brush and cedar would start a fire engulfing Mill Creek, The Methodist Church and possibly the entire town. We arrived to the West side of the property at about 1 PM and I took my old 4x4 straight through the brush and towards the

Salado Fire was on scene

Your Voice

and had located the head of the fire and was working to extinguish any tracers. Helicopters began dousing the flames and everyone with me was scurrying about looking for small fires that ignited in the underbrush. Somehow, the fire teams from Salado and Holland and the Forestry Service and especially Texas A & M (who brought in bulldozers to cut a fire break) were able to contain the fire within 24 hours.

I am still shocked the property isn't devastated. Heartfelt and special gratitude to Ryan Hodge and his team of agents. Many agents would have just left it up to the firemen, gone home and enjoyed their weekend. Not Ryan. Ryan spent two nights out there monitoring the situation. He was accountable, responsible, and determined to make sure the fire was out. Also, thank you to Josh Jacobsen for making the call to my team. It could not have been an easy call to make. To the Firefighters of Salado, the first responders from Temple, Round Rock, Texas A & M, to the men and women who were flying those helicopters, --- I salute you. To Mayor Coggin for providing updates to the citizens. The fire was at the nadir of the entire property, along Smith Branch of Salado Creek so the smoke was not easy to see. Thanks to Trent and my sons, Gunnar and Jake for being willing to risk injury in heading off the blazes and dousing straggler fires igniting within the property but away from the main blaze. We had no water in the truck when we arrived, but being Friday, we did have one full, unopened case of Modelo which came in handy in putting out one small, stray fire.

Thanks again to the first responders, Village leadership, and the citizens like Mr. Simpson who was also out there with his friend to see what he could do. This last 24 hours I have felt a sense of relief I have never experienced before in my 50 years. My legs are cut to shreds from bouncing through the brambles and I am physically exhausted. I cannot imagine doing the job of firefighting. Heroes you are. I tip my cap. Thank you so much

Gregory S Windham Salado

Joe Manchin's Travesty

Congress has never cared much about truth-in-labeling, but even by its standards, "The Inflation Reduction Act of 2022" is laughably absurd.

The deal reached by West Virginia Sen. Joe Manchin and Majority Leader Chuck Schumer is getting puffed up by the media as a presidency-revitalizing achievement for President Joe Biden, when in reality it is the detritus of his stymied legislative agenda hastily thrown together in an incoherent muddle, under a de-

ceptive name.

A signature of Biden's legislative strategy has been pursuing sweeping legislation that has nothing to do with the actual concerns of voters. Worried about inflation? Don't worry, we have a partisan, enormously ambitious voting rights bill, police reform bill, or new multi-trillion-dollar spending bill just for you.

Thankfully, Manchin significantly bid down what Biden and the rest of the party initially wanted to spend on so-called "Build Back Better." Otherwise, the new deal is as much of a non sequitur as ever. At a time of inflation, it offers hundreds of billions of new spending. As the economy dips into a recession or close to one, it offers hundreds of billions in new taxes. And its main element is more green energy spending, when the climate is far down the priority list for

TITLE: None of this makes much sense. According to the estimate of the Penn Wharton Budget Model, the act would very slightly increase inflation



in the near-term, when inflation is a problem, and very slightly decrease it after 2024, when -- one hopes -- it will already have fallen.

That's just some random model, you say? Well, Manchin used to rely on it.

Manchin brags about the \$300 billion in deficit reduction over 10 years, which is supposed to be one of the bill's counterinflationary bragging points. Just a week or so ago, though, the senator voted for the Senate's \$280 billion "Chips and Science" bill. What the West Virginia solon giveth with one hand, he taketh away with another.

Surely, Democrats will keep the new spending coming to the extent they can.

Manchin deserves credit for sounding the alarm about inflation when Democrats were still in denial. TITLE: Nonetheless, his own record isn't exactly sterling. Last year, he voted for the \$1.9 billion "rescue plan" that had some role in worsening inflation. Now, he claims to be tackling this inflation via fiscal rectitude while he freely spends more money.

In short, Manchin is an arsonist who shows up to put out the fire with a leaky

The tax piece isn't any better. The 15% corporate income tax will hit manufacturers particularly hard, including the semiconductor manufacturers that

Manchin and the Senate just went out of their way to subsidize. Again, which is it -- do those companies deserve to be subsidized more, or taxed more?

Manchin implausibly denies the tax increase is a tax increase. He calls it closing a loophole, a classic Beltway euphemism for a tax hike.

Also, he further denies that the bill increases taxes on those making less than \$200,000 a year, despite the Joint Committee on Taxation finding exactly that. The committee estimates that people making between \$50,000 and \$75,000 would see a .8% increase next

Then there's the issue that the additional corporate tax is a disincentive to business investment when more of it is desperately needed. Inflation results from demand outstripping supply, so it is imperative that government get out of the way of business creating more supply.

Finally, Manchin said in 2010, "I don't think, during the time of recession, you mess with any of the taxes or increase any taxes." He has apparently suspended that rule until further notice.

At the end of the day, all of this is a counterproductive waste, but it could have been much worse. The bill isn't going to remake Biden's foundering presidency, but it will make Democratic activists feel a little better -- Joe Manchin's contribution to the republic.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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Michael and Mary French of Salado will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Aug. 19. Mike French and Mary Thorne were married on August 19, 1972. at Trinity United Methodist Church in Hutchinson, Kansas. Mike and Mary met in high school in Hutchison, where they were both born and raised. During their marriage, Mike worked for more than 40 years in Engineering and Business Development, primarily in the oil and gas industry. Mary worked in ministry and education for more than 20 years. The Frenches have three daughters: Jennifer Cabaniss (husband Robb Cabaniss), Christy MacDonald (husband John MacDonald) and Anne Schuster. They also have seven grandchildren: Skylar, Ella and Miles MacDonald, Avery and Luke Cabaniss and Kennedy and Preston Schuster. The Frenches moved to Salado in July 2014. They are members of Salado United Methodist Church. (Courtesy photos)







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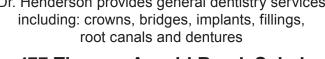
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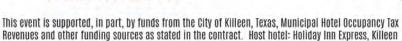
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Community



First Baptist Church Salado welcomes Bill Pinalto as Senior Pastor Sept. 4

Bill Pinalto has accepted the call to serve as the Senior Pastor of First Baptist Church of Salado. He will begin his duties on Sept. 4, moving to Texas from Chicago, Illinois with his family.

He has served as the Senior Pastor at Edgewater Baptist Church in Chicago since May 2010.

Pinalto and Christine, his wife of 24 years, grew up in Scottsdale, Arizona. They married on April 4, 1998. They have three children.

The move to Salado will bring them closer to two of their children: Cade, who will be a senior at Baylor University and Taylor, who will be a sophomore at Bay-

Their youngest daughter, Logan, will be a senior at Salado High School.



The Pinalto Family are (from left) Logan, who will be a senior at Salado High School, Bill, who is the new Senior Pastor at FBC Salado, Christine, Cade and Taylor, who will both attend Baylor University this fall. (Courtesy PHOTO)





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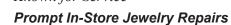
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Christ faithfully, caring for the church family humbly, and loving our neighbors in Salado genuinely over many years to come."

Prior to his being Senior Pastor at Edgewater Baptist Church, Pinalto was Associate Pastor at Camelback Bible Church in Phoenix from 2004 to 2010.

He holds a BA in Communication from Arizona State University. He worked in financial services industry prior to being called to the ministry.

He attended seminary at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in Deerfield, IL, earning an M.A. in Systematic Theology.



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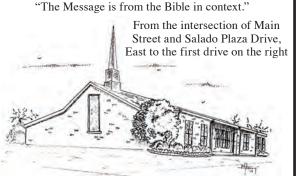
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They will share stories of recent travels, travel trips and advice, and options for up coming trips including Nashville, San Antonio, and Iceland.

The meeting is open to anyone interested in travel and there are no membership dues or requirements. information more centraltexastravcontact elclub@outlook.com

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The winners of the 2022 sculpture contest will be announced.

The sculptures will be judged by Hershall Seals, the former dean of Mary Harden Baylor art department. This event is free and the PALS board welcomes the community to come and take part.

"We are proud to announce that the garden was featured in the September edition of Southern Lady magazine that is widely distributed throughout the southern US," said Helen Alexander, President of the Public Arts League of Sala-



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

Bikes & Brews, Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m.

Open Mic with Ryan White, at Chupacabra, 7 p.m. Salado Democrats meet month, 7 p.m., in the conference room of Salado Public Library.

Tuesdays

Salado Community Chorus practice, 6 p.m. Salado Civic Center.

Tuesday Night Prix Fixe at Alexander's Craft Cocktails + Kitchen. \$16.95 for entree, dessert and glass of wine. Prix Fixe menu changes weekly. Visit Alexander's Facebook page for weekly updates on Prix Fixe.

Grief Share Sessions, Grace Church of Salado, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Open Enroll during the entire semester. For Information call Mary Hendrix, 858-232-4692.

Trivia with Rockin Rick, at Chupacabra, 7-9 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.

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.

Salado Church of Christ will be showing episodes of the crowd-funded series "The Chosen" 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday during summer.

Karaoke, 7-10 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. Run4Beer Group, 6:30 p.m., Barrow Brewing Co.

Pint night at Chupacabra, 4

p.m.-midnight. Maxx Carter at Chupaca-

bra, 6-10 p.m.

Bikes & Brews, Barrow Brewing Co., 7 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. Live Music at Chupacabra Craft Beers, 7-11 p.m.

Live Music at Barrow Brewing Co. 8 p.m.

Fridays-Sundays

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

Saturdays

Farmers Market at Barrow Brewing Co., 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Live Music at Lively Coffee House & Bistro.

Live Music at Chupacabra Craft Beer and Kitchen, 8 p.m.-midnight

Live Music at Barrow Brewing Co., 8 p.m.

Sundays

Summer Lecture Series, Barrow Brewing Co., 2 p.m. Live Music at Barrow

Brewing, 4 p.m. August 11

Salado Family Relief Fund distribution of backpacks and supplies to economically disadvantaged students in Salado ISD 5-7 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church in Salado.

August 11

Salado Ladies Community League meeting at Church of Christ Activities Bldg. 9:30 a.m. Allison Rocha, O.D.,

August 11

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

August 11

Around the World Dinner Series at Alexander's Distillery, 6:30 p.m. Reservations online through eventbrite.com for \$84.95 for five course themed dinner. Destination Spain.

August 12

Live Music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., Troy Stone.

August 12

Barrow Brewing Co., live music, 8 p.m., Mopac Traffic

August 13

Salado Winery Co. Cabernet Sauvignon red grapes harvest for 2022, 6:30-10:30 a.m. Vineyard located at 21724 Hill Road, Salado. Harvest as much or as little as you enjoy. You can even eat some straight from the vine! Harvest is family friendly. Wear comfortable, cool clothing and tennis shoes. You'll want to bring a hat, sunscreen, water, and bug spray. Salado Winery will provide everything else you need. After harvest in the morning. The grapes will be de-stemmed and crushed and prepared for fermentation at the winery. Feel free to come by and see the grapes start their journey to a bottle of wine. RSVPs/Tickets are not required.

August 13

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

August 13

Barrow Brewing Co., live music, 8 p.m., Anna Larson.

August 13

Live Music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m., Josh Jaccard.

August 13-14

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

August 14 Barrow Brewing Co., Sum-

mer lecture series, 2 p.m. Beer Tasting and Pairing. Limited seating requires tickets. Visit barrowbrewing.com for more information.

August 14

Barrow Brewing Co., live music, 4 p.m. TBD. August 15

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

August 16

Salado Community Chorus membership kick off 6 p.m. at Salado Civic Center

August 17

First Day of School for Salado ISD Students.

August 17 Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-9 p.m., Check

Point Germany.

August 18 Barrow Brewing Co. Pint Night at FoxDog in Temple.

Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every

purchase of the featured brew-

ery, Southern Roots. August 18

Village of Salado Aldermen meeting, 6:30 p.m. 301 N. Stagecoach Rd. Meeting will be cast via Zoom. Link will be posted at saladotx.gov 72 hours before meeting.

August 19

Live Music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., Michael Saldana.

Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7:30 p.m., Everett Wren Quartet.

August 20

Tour of Gault site, leaving from Bell County Museum on Main St. Belton. Tickets are \$10/person; kids 10 years and under are free. All proceeds go to the Gault School of Archaeological Research. Registration is available on the museum website and payment can be made over the phone with the museum using a credit card.

August 20

Salado Fire Department will have a push-in ceremony for the new Bell County ESD #1 Fire Engine. They encourage the public to attend. They will be serving light refreshments. The push-in ceremony will occur at Station 2 across from the Salado High School at 10 am.

August 20

Barrow Brewing Co., live music, 8 p.m., Automatic Weekend.

August 20 Live Music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m., Jesse Dean.

August 21 Barrow Brewing Co., live

music, 4 p.m., Liz Haney. August 21

Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m.

August 24 Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-9 p.m., Bahler Street Pizza.

August 25

Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Bitter Sisters. August 26

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.

August 26

Live Music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., Trey Yenger.

August 26

Royal Street Art Walk. August 27

Heart and Hands Minis-

tries food distribution to those in need in the Salado, Holland, Bartlett area, 9-11 a.m, 213 Mill Creek Drive, Suite

August 27 Live Music at Chupacabra,

8 p.m., Trey Yenger. August 27 Barrow Brewing Co., 8

p.m. Back Rodz Band.

August 29 Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m. Lexi Dalton.

August 31

Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-9 p.m., Lama September 8

Salado Ladies Community

League Annual Membership Luncheon at Summers Mill from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.Cost is \$25 with cash or check by August 16. More information: Pam Hollingsworth at pamhollings@msn.com. September 8

Around the World Dinner

Series at Alexander's Distill-

ery, 6:30 p.m. Reservations

online through eventbrite. com for \$84.95 for five course themed dinner. Destination

Jamaica.

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Sam Bass & Salado: did outlaw spend night in the Stagecoach cave?

By Carol Wilson LOCAL HISTORIAN

Almost certainly outlaw Sam Bass passed through Salado on his journey from Denton to Round Rock in July 1878. Is there any credible evidence that he did more than ride through? Did he spend a night at the Salado hotel or in the cave beneath? Speculation to that effect continues to surface from time to time. Perhaps it is time to address it.

Because the information is specific to Salado, the best sources on the subject are old newspapers and the writing of early local historians/writers. There is no shortage of information about Sam Bass. Newspapers had a field day with the story in 1878, including lengthy articles that outlined Jim Murphy's account of the Bass gang's movements on their journey from Denton to Round Rock. There is no mention of Salado.

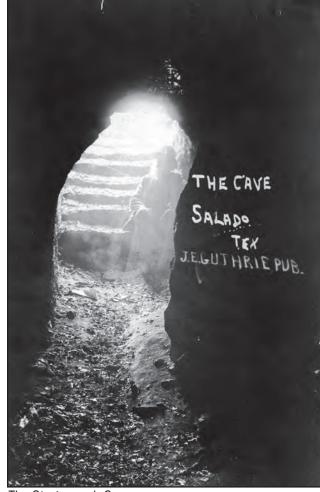
Perhaps a more persuasive piece of evidence on this subject is found in the writing (and exclusions therein) of Bell County's early historian, George W. Tyler. Tyler was an attorney, born in 1851 and spent his youth in Salado. He was also a history enthusiast and spent much of his life collecting information for a book he hoped to complete on Bell County's history. George Tyler was an eyewitness to this period of history. He was a young adult and a resident of Belton when Sam Bass made his way from Denton to Round Rock. Tyler certainly had an appreciation for the historic significance of the Bass shootout and included a paragraph about the incident in his book, History of Bell County. Tyler's reference to Bass characterized him as an outlaw "with a slight connection to Bell County." Tyler outlined the gang's movements in Bell County but the information is specific only to Belton, with no mention of Salado. Certainly George Tyler was motived to record the story correctly while giving Bell County its fair share of publicity. Talk of a sighting of Bass in Salado would not have escaped him.

Felda Davis Shanklin, another writer of Salado's history and one familiar with Salado's historic hotel and cave, has several references to the property in her book, Salado, Texas, It's History and People. These include information about Ed Buckles, the man who owned the hotel in 1878.² Shanklin is silent on the subject of Sam Bass.

E. S. C. Robertson, the man who founded Salado, kept a journal during his life where he recorded the goings-on in Salado both large and small. It is inconceivable that he would not have mentioned a visit from the Bass gang. He too is silent on the subject.

When did rumors of a connection between Sam Bass and Salado first surface? We can only substantiate written accounts. The earliest published reference I found was 1955, in a book titled Ghost Towns of Texas. The author exercised some caution when mentioning Bass, saying, "Legend has it that Sam Bass, notorious outlaw and southwestern Robin Hood, used this cave as a hideout just before he went to Round Rock for a fatal rendezvous with rangers."

The following year, 1956, a book titled Early Homes of Texas was less cautious, writing:



The Stagecoach Cave. (Historical Society JE Guthrie Collection)

Salado had been in opera-

tion for almost two decades,

sitting on a hill that over-

looked the hotel and the en-

trance to the cave. The hotel

and cave were popular spots

with locals and located near

several other business estab-

lishments -a most imprac-

for camping in wooded ar-

eas where they could not be

could maintain easy access

rob a bank because he was

out of funds. This strongly

suggests that there was no

this kind of thing in ab-

solutes, but the evidence

not. Does it matter? Guard-

tantamount to guarding our

reputations as serious stu-

dents of history and trust-

1. Tyler, George W., History

Salado, Texas, It's History

3. Waco Tribune-Herald,

4. Dallas Morning News,

reason, it matters.

of Bell County, 303.

and People, 4.

Oct 29, 1950

July 27, 1968

tical hiding place.

to their horses.

"Close to the Inn is the entrance to a cave containing a flowing spring, the water from which is now piped into the building. In the wilder days of Texas the cave, with its supply of good water, is reputed to have been used as a refuge by Sam Bass and others who did not want their presence widely known. The cave is said to have been furnished at one time with sleeping facilities for these exceptional guests."

The two books listed above provided no footnote or other specific source but both acknowledge contributions by the Van Bibbers who owned the Salado hotel property at that time. In a 1950 interview with a Waco newspaper, Dion Van Bibber admitted that he enjoyed telling tales about the Inn, hidden treasure. adding that the information had come to him "from local residents, and records and letters from pioneer Texas families." But on the subject of Sam Bass and stories linking the outlaw to the cave, even Dion Van Bibber later reversed his stance. On July 27, 1968, the Dallas Morning News contained this as part of an article about the many unsubstantiated claims about Bass treasure:

Sam Bass has such a reputation as a caveman that my friend, Dion Van Bibber of the Stagecoach Inn in Salado claims he owns the only cave in Bell County in which, according to the yarn spinners, old Sam never visited.4

Perhaps this came in response to a rash of treasure hunting that occurred in Central Texas in the 1960s that became a real nuisance. Or had Mr. Van Bibber just been "pulling our leg" all along?

Even putting aside the points in evidence laid out above, the Bass story has a hard time passing a simply test of reasonableness. Consider these points:

- * The Bass gang's spree of criminal behavior, at least in Texas, lasted only a few months and was confined to the northeastern portion of the state. There was little opportunity or need for Bass to bury treasure in Central Texas.
- * Having spent at least one night in Belton before continuing their journey southward, the Bass gang would not have been looking for a place to sleep after traveling only 11 miles. A bank or saloon might have tempted them. Salado had neither.
 - * By 1878 the college at



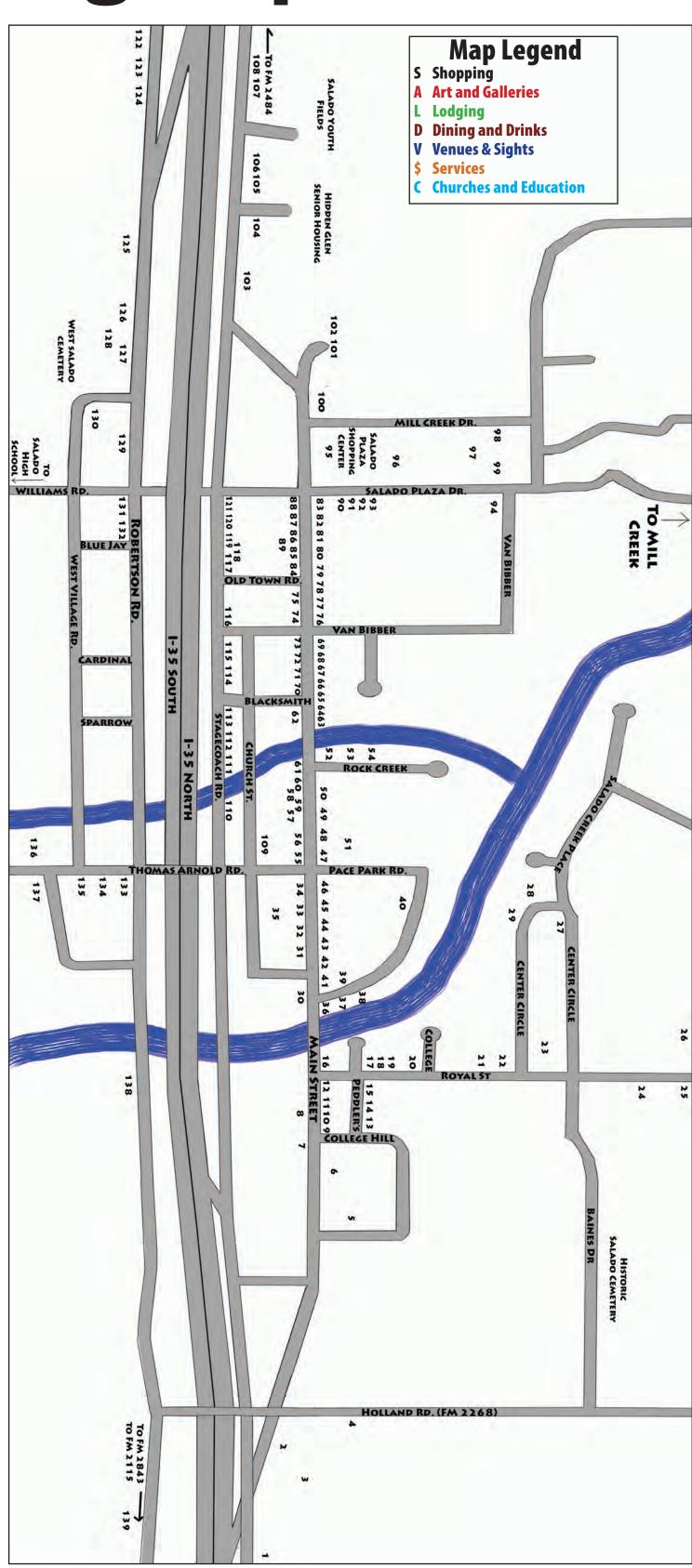






Shopping Map of Salado





Historical Markers in Salado

- 6. Salado Historic College Hill
- Shady Villa Hotel (Stagecoach Inn)
- Main Street Bridge
- Barber-Berry Mercantile
- 23. The Baines House

24. Historic Dipping Vats

- 25. The A.J. Rose Mansion
- 26. Old Methodist Chapel
- 27. Caskey-Hendricks House
- 28. Dr. McKie Place (Twelve Oaks)
- 29. Alexander's Distillery
- 30. First Baptist Church 31. The Tyler House

The Norton-Orgain House

55. The Armstrong Adams House

- 35. Salado Masonic Lodge #296
- 45. The Anderson House

The Barton House

51. The Levi Tenney House

- Old Saloon
- 49. The Vickrey House

61. Historic Lenticular Bridge

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

New Salado Middle School teachers, staff will welcome students back First day of class is Aug. 17

Salado students return to class on Aug. 17 for the 2022-23 school year. They will be welcomed by the following new teachers and staff at Salado Middle School:



Kyle Allred

Education and Certifications: Masters Degree - Science/Principal and Superintendent Certs

Teaching Experience:: 27 years Subjects and Grade Lev-

els: Science - 8th Grade Why a Teacher?: I became a teacher/coach because I had great teachers and coaches through my

high school and college

career.s. I saw the value they had on helping students on a daily basis. Extra-curricular activi-Freshman Football



ASHLEY ALSOP

Education and Certifications: Teachers Aide

Teaching Experience: 0 Subjects and Grade Levels: Middle school

Why a Teacher?:

I am very enthusiastic to work as a Classroom Aide for the Salado School dis-

Extra-curricular activities: I am a youth leader at my church for 6th-12th



TRACY BRANTLEY

Education and Certifica-Texas A&M Bachelor of Science, Generalist 4-8, Special education Ec-12, Physical Education Ec-12

Teaching Experience: This will be my 14th year teaching. I was in Lampasas and then in Georgetown at Tippit MS.

Subjects and Grade Levels: Girls athletics coach and 8th grade math

Why a Teacher?: Ι became a teacher and coach so that students would have another person on their sideline. Someone they could depend on and be there for. Someone to hear them and help them. No matter if it was something difficult they are going through or something exciting in their life.

Extra-curricular activities: Coach girls volleyball, basketball, track 1, and would like to help with



Annie Ewton

Education and Certifications: Southwestern University, Secondary English Education. certified 7th-12th English

Teaching Experience: First year Teacher

Subjects and Grade Levels: 7th grade ELAR

Why a Teacher?: I became a teacher because when I went to college I knew I wanted to do something to help people. I truly fell in love with education my sophomore year of college at Southwestern University. I really loved what my professors were teaching us. My classes were all about how to help kids reach their full potential. My mom was is also a huge inspiration to me. Growing up with a teacher as a mom I always saw how many lives she touched and how much good she was doing in the world, and I wanted to do the same thing. I am really excited to get to put back into the community that gave me so much, since I graduated from Salado schools in 2017. Very happy to say I am an eagle again!



Jada **K**ornegay

Education and Certifications: Bachelor's Health Information Management

Teaching Experience: First Year

Subjects and Grade Levels: Teaching 6th and 7th science

Why a Teacher?: I was inspired by my grandfather Jack Ruzicka who taught for 51 years, the last of which came at Salado Middle School. He inspired me to get involved in education through the stories he has told me about his students, as well as the stories I have heard from former students about him.

Extra-curricular activities: Junior high football, basketball and track.





Nancy Nogueras

Education and Certifications: BA Psychology from Columbia College-Fort Leonard Wood, MO. Currently attending: Texas A&M- Central Texas to obtain license as a Specialist In School Psychology Teaching Experience:

Subjects and Grade Levels: Special Programs- LSSP Intern- All grade levels Why a Teacher?: My journey to become an LSSP derives from watching my own children learn and grow. I found that I was interested in all the "whys" and the "how's" children learn as well as investigating any struggles that occur in the learning experience. I became passionate about wanting to be a part of the process that helps children unlock their fullest poten-

Extra-curricular activities:

tial for success.



CORINA PENNY

Education and Certifica-Bachelor's of Music Education from the University of North Texas Teaching Experience This will be the start of my

fourth year of teaching. Subjects and Grade Levels I will be teaching the Beginner Band -6th grade, Symphonic Band - 7th/8th grade, and assisting the High School Marching and Concert Bands.

joy in times when I needed it most. As a band kid I became more confident, independent, and proactive, all

qualities that have helped me find so much success in life. The first time I taught I helped 5 beginners learn to play trombone and I saw the same joy and motivation in their eyes that I had felt as a kid. That experience made me realize that being a band director is such an important job that influences lives in a powerful way. Ever since then I have wanted to be a band director, I truly believe it is the most awesome job anyone could have.

SEE NEW TEACHERS, PAGE 2C









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New Salado Middle School teachers

FROM PAGE 1C



SARAH PEREZ

Education and Certifications: None

Teaching Experience None

Subjects and Grade Levels: 6th grade

Why a Teacher?

Being a paraprofessional is a role that I have never done before. I have worked in healthcare these past 15 years. I have a passion for helping others. I have 4 children myself and nothing is better than seeing them be successful. I'm looking forward to working alongside the amazing teachers and Salado ISD to provide support for the students to

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JENNA PERKINS

Education and Certifications: Bachelors in Exercise Sport Science; certified in EC-12 PE and 4-8 Core Subjects

Teaching Experience: 5

Subjects and Grade Levels: 7th Texas History and Girls' Athletics

Why a Teacher?: I became a teacher because of my love for sports. I had great teachers who were also my coaches growing up. They made learning fun. I love helping students find their passion through edu-

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Extra-curricular activi-I will be coaching volleyball, basketball and



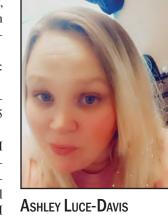
nostician Certficiations

Experience: Teaching

Subjects and Grade Lev-

The decision behind why I to be an advocate for them.

Extra-curricular activi-



Education

Certification

ties: none

Administra-

tion, Certified in Physical

Education, General Educa-

tion EC-6th Grade, Special

Education EC-12, Principal

Teaching Experience:12

Subjects and Grade Lev-

els: District Behavior Spe-

promote leadership among

children. I want to show stu-

dents that they can achieve

what ever they put their

Extra-curricular activi-

Why a Teacher?: I want to promote and instill the love of learning and

School nutrition

Why Education?: It all started when I would babysit back in highschool and after highschool and I just remembered how much join you can bring to the little ones and I knew from there that I had a passion for working with children. So I thought why not school nutrition I love the food industry and love working with children so that is what lead me to school nutrition.

Next week, we will feature new teachers and staff at Salado High School!

Lady Eagles sweep LHS in opener

Salado Lady Eagles (1-0) came out swinging and never gave the visiting Lampasas Lady Badgers much hope Aug. 8 in the season volleyabll opener. Salado would hold Lampasas to just 12 kills all night while cruising to a straight set victory 25-16, 25-15, and 25-12. Senior setter and right site hitter Haleigh Wilk would lead all hitters with 10 kills followed closely by Freshmen outside Haley Brown with 9. Also from the Lady Eagles offense was Livia Niu (7), Macy Morris (6), and Nikki Poole (5). Libero Reese Rich collected 31 digs on the night and chipped in 3 aces along with 14 digs and 3 aces from fellow DS Sara Ellis.

JV Red

Salado's JV Red squad looked great in the season opener as well winning in straight sets with scores of 25-18 and 25-13. Sophomore outside London Woods would have a great night leading the way with 7 kills for the Lady Eagles. Sophomore S/DS performed well too collecting 13 digs and 9 assists. Sophomore Jill Taylor would also have a great match on the right side for Salado.

JV White

The young JV White team also played well in a competitive match to win in two (25-18, 25-21). Excellent defense and serving from freshman Shelby Dodge and outside hitting by freshman Riley Guthrie would lead the way for Salado. Setter Reese Franks would serve well and Coach Vasquez was pleased with the team effort.

REPORTED BY CLINT BROWN VIEW PHOTO GALLERY FROM GAME AT

SALADOVILLAGEVOICE.COM

HALLIE RAESZ

Education and Certifications: Texas State University and Texas A&M University, EC-6, Special Education EC-12, Educational Diag-

Starting on year 9

els: Special Education EC-5 Why a Teacher?:

became a teacher was personal. I have a family member who has an intellectual disability. Growing up I would listen to what she did during the day in class, the skills she was learning and how her teachers interacted with her. This was my driving force to become a teacher. I wanted to be able to support students like her teachers had supported her, and also be role model and

ties: n/a



JENNIFER YOUNGBLOOD

Education and Certifications: Bachelor's Degree from McNeese State University and Master's Degree from Lamar University in

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Transfers at SISD

Superintendent's Corner

by Dr. Michael Novotny

In last week's column, I explained that our enrollment has increased from 1,350 students in 2012 to 2,242 students last year (2021)

Thus, our total enrollment increase during the past nine years was 892 students or 66%. We are the third fastest growing district out of the 77 school districts in the Waco region.

The only two school districts in the Waco region that have experienced larger enrollment increases are Belton and Midway. However, those two districts are already much larger so our school district's enrollment has actually increased the most on a percentage basis.

However, our out-of-district transfer student enrollment has actually been decreasing the past five years. In 2016, we discontinued taking new out-of-district transfer students unless they have a parent that is an employee in our school district or their parent is active duty military or a disabled veteran. We did this to prevent our facilities from being further overcrowded by the significant enrollment growth we have been expe-

These are the out-of-district transfer student enrollments for our school district during the past six years: 2016 = 246

2017 = 236

2018 = 2342019 = 214

2020 = 214

2021 = 209

Thus, the significant enrollment growth we have been experiencing is the result of families moving into our school district and not due to additional out-of-district transfer students.

We also have some students that live in our school district that transfer to other school districts. The following are those numbers during the past six years:

2016 = 652017 = 66

2017 = 662018 = 52

2018 = 322019 = 69

2020 = 75

2021 = 87

Even though we discontinued accepting new transfer students (other than children of employees or children of military), the number of students transferring into our school district is still much larger than the number of students transferring out of our school district. This demonstrates the quality of the education we provide our and that Salado ISD is a "destination district" in Central Texas.

In my column next Thursday, August 18, there will be information regarding our enrollment projections for the next ten years.



RANGER'S PROMISE and YELLOW ROSE SUB-DIVISIONS on Rose Lane.

August 5, 2021

Dear Salado Water Supply customer,

On August 15,2022, the Salado Water Supply Corporation will be changing the disinfectant that we use from chlorine to chloramines. This change is intended to benefit our customers by reducing the levels of disinfection byproducts (DBPs) in the system, while still providing protection from waterborne disease.

However, the change to chloramines can cause problems to persons dependent on dialysis machines. A condition known as hemolytic anemia can occur if the disinfectant is not completely removed from the water that is used for the dialysate. Consequently, the pretreatment scheme used for the dialysis units must include some means, such as a charcoal filter, for removing the chloramine prior to this date. Medical facilities should also determine if additional precautions are required for other medical equipment.

In addition, chloraminated water may be toxic to fish. If you have a fish tank, please make sure that the chemicals or filters that you are using are designed for use in water that has been treated with chloramines. You may also need to change the type of filter that you use for the fish tank.

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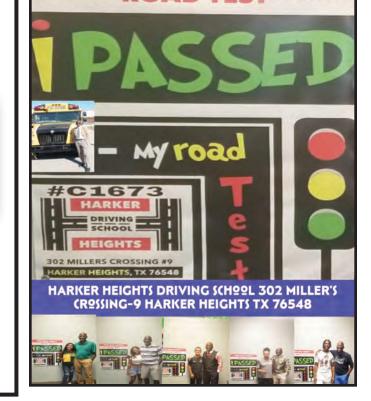
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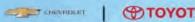




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Contract Bridge

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NORTH **♠** K J 5 **V** 10 8 3 **♦** 7 6 4 **♣**A Q 9 2 **WEST EAST ♠** 10 3 ♠ 9 8 6 4 2 ♥KQJ9 **♥**754 ♦ Q 8 ♦ K J 5 3 2

♣J 10 8 6 5 **SOUTH ♠** A Q 7 **♥**A 6 2 **♦** A 10 9 ♠ K 7 4 3

The bidding: **East** South West North Pass 1 NT Pass 3 NT king of hearts. Opening lead –

A competent declarer always hopes for the best but prepares for the worst. That is the backbone of good play, and this case from a rubber-bridge game illustrates the principle.

South was in three notrump, and West started with the K-Q-J of hearts, declarer taking his ace on the third round. Without giving the matter much thought, South then led a low club to the ace. When East showed out, declarer could do no better than collect his eight high-card tricks and so finished down one.

While it is granted that South was unlucky to run into a 5-0 club division, the fact remains that had he applied the principle stated above, he would have made the contract.

South should have recognized that the ninth trick could come only from the club suit, and also that there was no advantage in initiating the suit by leading a low club to the ace or queen. There was a chance, however, that he might gain a trick by playing the king of clubs first. Thus, had South cashed the king initially, he would have had no trouble scoring four club tricks and making three notrump.

Declarer should start on the basis that the contract is cold if the clubs are divided 3-2. He should then turn his attention to how he might protect himself against a 5-0 or 4-1 split.

South should conclude that if East has any holding of four or five clubs, only three club tricks can be made no matter how the suit is attacked. South should then focus all his thoughts on what he might do if West has the club length.

Once declarer reaches this point, he should realize that by cashing the king first, he can overcome the J-10x-x-x in West's hand, while nothing can be gained by the alternative low club lead.

It is true that in the great majority of hands it won't make any difference which club is led first, but from the standpoint of good technique, the king is clearly the right play.

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1 Singer Reddy 6 "Preach it!" 10 Italian Riviera

ACROSS

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49 Funeral pile

57 Ranch food

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60 Teen girl,

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GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the only vowel on a computer keyboard's middle row of letters? 2. LANGUAGE: What is the dia-

critical mark used over the first "a" in 3. GEOGRAPHY: What is the capital of the Czech Republic?

4. MOVIES: Where was the "Lord of the Rings" trilogy filmed? 5. MEASUREMENTS: What is 4

ounces of liquid equal to in cups? 6. U.S. STATES: Which is the only American state that begins with the 7. LANGUAGE: What is the word that stands for the letter Y in the inter-

national radio alphabet? 8. CHEMISTRY: What is the symbol for the element zinc?

9. TELEVISION: What is Kramer's

first name in the sitcom "Seinfeld"?

10. MUSIC: Which country is home to the rock group AC/DC?

Answers

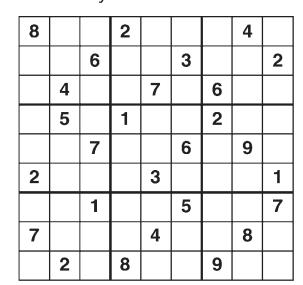
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- 3. Prague. 4. New Zealand
- 5. 1/2 cup.
- 6. Pennsylvania.7. Yankee.
- 8. Zn. Cosmo

10. Australia.

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Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

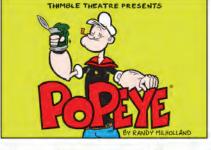


Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging ♦ ♦ ♦ HOO BOY!

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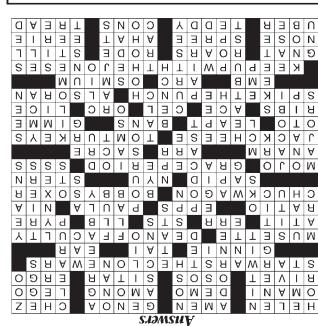
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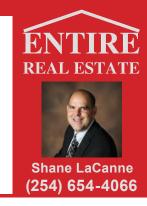
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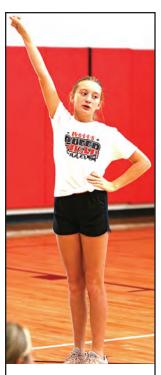
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The mini-cheer camp offered an opportunity to learn basic cheer techniques

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Sealed bids will be received by the Village of Salado at 301 N Stagecoach, Salado, Texas 76571 at 2:00 P.M., on August 26th, 2022 and will be publicly opened and read aloud at that time, for constructing the following project:

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Bids must be submitted on the complete project. Bids must be enclosed in a sealed envelope, addressed to Don Ferguson, City Administrator, and the outside of the envelope must be marked <u>BID ENCLOSED - PACE</u> PARK AND MILL CREEK PAVEMENT IMPROVEMENTS. All bids must be made on blank forms provided and included in the bound document. The name and address of the Bidder must be plainly marked thereon.

Each bid must be accompanied by cash or a certified cashier's check, drawn on a bank or trust company authorized to do business in the State of Texas, payable to Village of Salado in an amount at least equal to five percent (5%) of the total amount of the bid, as a guarantee that a contract will be entered into. In lieu of cash or a certified check, the Bidder may submit a bid bond in the form prescribed in paragraphs 5.01 and 5.02 of the General Conditions.

Bidding Documents are on file and may be examined at <u>Village of Salado</u> located at <u>301 N Stagecoach</u>, Salado, Texas 76571. Bid Documents and Specifications may be obtained electronically by the prospective bidders or suppliers at www.civcastusa.com at no charge. 1963.22002 - "Village of Salado- Pace Park and Mill Creek Pavement Improvements." Bidding Documents obtained from any other source are for examination only, are not considered complete, and are not valid for bidding purposes. Neither Village of Salado nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including Addenda if any, obtained from sources other than those issued through CivCast.

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07/31/2022	MAIN ST.	EMS call, excluding vehicle accident w/injury	08/02/2022	Interstate Highway 35, S/B	Motor vehicle accident with injuries
07/31/2022	1-35 SB. Belton. TX 76513	Dispatched & cancelled en route	08/02/2022	BREWER RD	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
07/31/2022	TRAILS END	Unauthorized burning	08/03/2022	BISHOP DR	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
07/31/2022	Interstate Highway 35, N/B	Motor vehicle accident with injuries	08/03/2022	STATE HIGHWAY 95, BELL	Dispatched & cancelled en route
07/31/2022	WINDY MEADOWS CV	Good intent call, other	08/03/2022	ELM GROVE RD. BELL	Dispatched & cancelled en route
07/31/2022	MILL CREEK DR	Medical assist, assist EMS crew	08/04/2022	HOLLOW LOOP	EMS call, excluding vehicle accident w/ injury
07/31/2022	1-35 NB, BELL	Assist police or other governmental agency	08/04/2022	MAIN ST.	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
08/01/2022	LYNDAL LN.	Assist invalid	08/04/2022	MEADOW CREST DR	Dispatched & cancelled en route
08/01/2022	HIGHLAND DR	Assist invalid	08/05/2022	ROYAL RIDGE LOOP	Grass fire
08/01/2022	DOGRIDGE RD, Bell	Forest, woods or wildland fire	08/05/2022	STAGECOACH RD	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
08/01/2022	JONES CIR, Salado	EMS call, excluding vehicle accident w/ injury	08/05/2022	NB REST AREA PASSENGER	R Medical assist, assist EMS crew
08/01/2022	INTERSTATE 35	HazMat release investigation w/no HazMat	08/05/2022	TRAILS END	
08/01/2022	HIGHLAND DR	EMS call, excluding vehicle accident w/ injury	08/05/2022	IH 35 SERVICE RD. BLTN.	Building fire
08/01/2022	Armstrong Road, Bell	Motor vehicle accident with injuries	08/06/2022	2000 Block Highland DR	Grass fire
08/01/2022	AMITY RD	Medical assist, assist EMS crew	08/06/2022	FM 1670	Grass fire
08/02/2022	AMITY RD	Medical assist, assist EMS crew	08/06/2022	BUGLE DR	Dispatched & cancelled en route
08/02/2022	SMITH DAIRY RD, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew	08/06/2022	Interstate Highway 35, S/B	Passenger vehicle fire
08/02/2022	HILLTOP CIR.	Medical assist, assist EMS crew	08/06/2022	M WAY	Assist invalid
08/02/2022	ROYAL RIDGE LOOP	EMS call, excluding vehicle accident w/injury		Total Incidents: 37	

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213 Salado Plaza

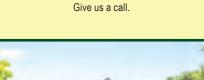
Rare find in Salado! Great commerical location just

off of N Main Street in Historical Salado.

\$350,000

8508 Spring Creeek Loop







This home looks like it stepped out of a designer magazinel Marble accent wall in family room. 16 foot barrel ceiling in entry continues outside on patio. 12 foot ceiling 1,295,000

2049 The Creeks Drive



8514 Spring Creek Beautiful home by Randy Taylor Custom Builders! Give us a call.



Charming home with so much character, located close to golf course in Mill Creek!

\$450,000



102 Parque Court This stunning 2-story home in the heart of Georgetown is a must see! Enjoy the luxury of sitting on your covered front porch in the shade from the beautiful oak tree. \$550,000



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1203 Baines Street Beautiful home on oversized lot in the heart of Salado! Lots of room to roam while just a short golf cart ride to Main St. The home boasts 3 bedrooms, flex office space, 2 dining rooms, and an additional flex space.



3205 N Main Street ONE OF A KIND! Fixer upper on Main Street in Belton with LOADS of opportunity! Let your imagination run wild with this open floorplan three bed two full bath home. Great location! \$285,000



TBD Salado Creek Rd Road Beautiful lot with mature trees. Close to school and downtown Salado. Come build your dream home!

\$159,900

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NEIGHBORHOODS

Spring Creek - Salado's newest neighborhood, West of town on FM2484 Beautiful hardwood trees. The peaceful spot you've been searching for to build your new home. Few miles out of Salado, a short drive from Belton, Harker Heights and Georgetown. Mill Creek Meadows - Dream home on a golf course? Whether you are a golfer or just enjoy overlooking a well-maintained course from your home, Mill Creek Meadows is for you! Gated, community park within strolling distance of Mill Creek Golf Course and a golf cart ride away from Salado shopping and dining.

Mystic River - Lots overlooking the Leon River. Neighborhood shaded by a canopy of Live Oak and Pecan trees, walk from your back door to your personal dock at the river bank.

ACREAGE

10 Acres along I-35 frontage, sewage available \$1,750,000

25 Acres on the Leon River, Belton

5 Acres 2251 County Road 234 Georgetown, TX 78633 300 Acres 0000 CR 212 Coolidge, TX 76635

4.488 I-35 and Rose Lane

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