

## Salado is part of The Story of Art in America

Producers of the Amazon documentary series, The Story of Art in America, filmed in Salado April 18-19 as part of their third season, which is focused on cities around the state of Texas.

Salado's featured artists for the segment on small towns in Texas are Gail Allard of Salado Glassworks, Larry Prellop with the Prellop Gallery, Kay Griffith at Griffith Fine Art Gallery, and Helen Alexander, who showcases her art at Uniquely Salado. They will also cover the history of art in Salado with Historical Society president, Bill Kinnison, and feature public art, including the Salado Sculpture Garden.

"Art is a major and durable factor to convince travelers to choose a U.S.

destination, at a time when leisure travelers are looking for authenticity and genuine connections with communities," said Pierre Gervois CEO, Legit Productions, and Executive Producer of The Story of Art in America. "Showcasing Art offerings is more important than ever to differentiate a city or a county."

The Story of Art in America explores "America's arts and culture scene and show the extraordinary vitality and diversity of the arts in small and medium-sized cities, in all artistic fields. The Story of Art will explore how art is, and has always been, an essential part of American society's social fabric, and encourage everyone to travel and (re)discover the featured

cities," according to the docuseries creator and director Christelle Bois.

"Having this kind of far-reaching visibility is an amazing opportunity to showcase Salado's thriving art community that continually brings visitors to town," Village Administrator Don Ferguson said. "We are excited about this partnership and what it means to our Village, its residents and our local businesses."

Filming of this season of The Story of Art in America will also feature stories from Canyon, Dallas, Texarkana, Corsicana, Georgetown, Odessa, and Alpine. Seasons one and two are available on Amazon Prime.

The third season will begin casting in early 2024.



(PHOTO BY TIM FLEISCHER)

The Story of Art in America production crew are shown above with some of the artists from Salado that will be featured in a season three episode of the docuseries.

## Early voting starts April 24 for BoA, SISD races

Local voters will elect three Salado Independent School District trustees to three-year terms and three Village of Salado aldermen to two-year terms on May 6.

Candidates for the Salado ISD Board of Trustees will appear on the ballot in this order: Savannah Hennig, Kimberly Redelsheimer, David Matthews and Eric Malmin.

Candidates for the Village of Salado Board of Aldermen are these: D. Jasen Graham, Bert Henry, Linda Reynolds, Rodney W. Bell, Lennox J. Alfred, and Samuel Morris. Cody Coufal withdrew his candidacy on April 10.

Early voting in the election will begin April 24 at the Salado Civic Center, 601 North Main St.

Early voting hours are 7 a.m.-7 p.m. April 24. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. April 25-28 and May 2; 10 a.m.-2 p.m. April 29 and 7 a.m.-7 p.m. May 1.

Election day, the polls will be open 7 a.m.-7 p.m. May 6.

Under Texas law, voters who possess one of the seven acceptable forms of photo ID must present that ID at the polls when voting in person. Voters who do not possess and cannot reasonably obtain one of the seven approved forms of photo ID

may fill out a Reasonable Impediment Declaration (RID) (PDF) at the polls and present an alternative form of ID, such as a utility bill, bank statement, government check, or a voter registration certificate.

Here is a list of the acceptable forms of photo ID:

- Texas Driver License issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS)
- Texas Election Identification Certificate issued by DPS
- Texas Personal Identification Card issued by DPS
- Texas Handgun License issued by DPS
- United States Military

Identification Card containing the person's photograph United States Citizenship Certificate containing the person's photograph

- United States Passport (book or card)

With the exception of the U.S. Citizenship Certificate, which does not expire, for voters aged 18-69, the acceptable form of photo identification may be expired no more than four years before being presented for voter qualification at the polling place.

For voters aged 70 or older, the acceptable form of photo identification may be expired for any length of

time if the identification is otherwise valid.

Election Identification Certificates are available from DPS driver license offices during regular business hours.

Here is a list of the supporting forms of ID that can be presented if the voter does not possess one of the forms of acceptable photo ID and cannot reasonably obtain one:

- copy or original of a government document that shows the voter's name and an address, including the voter's voter registration certificate;
- copy of or original cur-

rent utility bill;

- copy of or original bank statement;
- copy of or original government check;
- copy of or original paycheck; or
- copy of or original of (a) a certified domestic (from a U.S. state or territory) birth certificate or (b) a document confirming birth admissible in a court of law which establishes the voter's identity (which may include a foreign birth document).

After presenting one of the forms of supporting ID listed above, the voter must execute a Reasonable Impediment Declaration.

## We are MUSIC! April 21-22

We are MUSIC! is a celebration of our personal connection with the music that becomes the soundtrack of our lives. Music is everywhere and we are all participants either as musicians, singers, dancers, or simply listeners, swaying with the music and tapping our feet.

The evening's program April 21-22 at the Salado Museum will be presented in three unique segments:

• The opening program will be a Variety Show featuring the stories and songs written by Salado Songwriter Richard Paul Thomas and introductions of our special guests Emma Jane Con-

ley, TerryLynn and Richard Schrimsher (Touch of Class).

• After intermission, it's time to sing and dance to the music of Touch of Class, playing some of their favorite music.

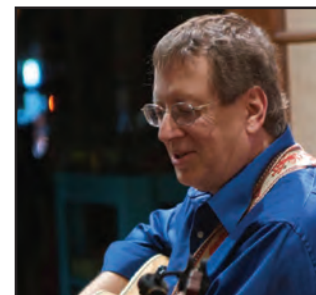
• Finally, the evening will close with a sing-along around the campfire.

Tickets are \$30 and are available at <https://Salado-Museum.org> and at the door. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Salado Museum & College Park's "Leaking Roof Fund."

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. April 21-22. The show starts at 7 p.m. Salado Museum is located at 423 S. Main St.



TERRYLYNN AND RICHARD SCHRIMSHER OF TOUCH OF CLASS



RICHARD PAUL THOMAS



EMMA JANE CONLEY

## Heart and Hands Ministries will raffle off side of beef

Heart and Hands Ministries is hosting a Beef Fundraiser Raffle through May 29. The winner will win half a beef, including processing. Tickets are \$20 each.

Tickets can be purchased through venmo by sending \$20 to @heartandhandsministries or by contacting Pat Scarborough at 512-635-4924 or Christine Hasha at 512-971-6906.

Heart and Hands Ministries is a food and clothing bank housed in a permanent location at 213 Mill Creek Dr., Suite #135. Twice a month, volunteers provide bags of food to about 50 client families from Salado, Holland and Bartlett.

Food distribution is 9-11 a.m. on the second and fourth

Saturdays of each month, except November and December, when the dates move to accommodate Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

At the same time, the clients can find gently used clothes that have been donated by locals, cleaned and sorted by volunteers on Wednesdays. Pat Scarborough is the manager of Heart and Hands Ministries and oversees volunteers at the food and clothes pantry.

In the past year, Heart and Hands Ministries has moved out from the umbrella of the First Baptist Church and now stands on its own as a 501(c)3 charitable organization.

It started in a closet at the First Baptist Church. Some

years later it moved into a separate building on the campus of the church when it outgrew the closet.

Heart and Hands Ministries moved into Salado Plaza in 2017. It distributes more than 1,500 pounds of food each month, as well as 7,000 articles of clothing each year.

Additionally, Heart and Hands holds a drive-through Thanksgiving meal each November.

If you would like to volunteer, please call Heart and Hands at 254-307-1361.

Heart and Hands board members include Scarborough, Sue Ellen Slagel, Andrea Heater, Pat Rehm and Christine Hasha.



Get a wristband to vote for your favorite barbecue team.

## Cook Off for Cancer set April 22

The Cook Off For Cancer - Salado will take place on April 22 with barbecue competitors lining Salado's Main Street.

Wristbands will be available to purchase for \$10 at the Salado Civic Center on April 22.

The public can vote for their favorite. When you purchase a wristband, you will be given tickets to drop in the jar of your favorite barbecue team.

Professional pitmasters will also judge the barbecue competitors in brisket, ribs, chicken. There will also be beans category and a wildcard category.

This is an event to benefit

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### The Markets

The S&P 500 Stock Index once more put on its contrarian hat (which looks amazingly like a bull's horns) and, defying the deluge of negative commentary and worrisome economic news, crept another 8/10 of a percent higher for the week ending on the 14th of April to close at 4137.64. This week's gain leaves it 15.5% higher than it was in mid-October of last year, up 7.77% year to date, about 85% higher than it was three years ago, but still 13.67% lower than it was at its record high in January of 2022. Our other followed index, the CRSP U.S. Mid Cap Value Index rose 0.94% for the week to 2312.88, leaving it still nearly 11% below its 2022 peak but over 10% higher than it was last October and about 50% higher than it was three years ago.

The benchmark 10-year U.S. Treasury note yield rose from last week's 3.39% to 3.52%. Since the market price of a bond falls as the yield rises, that was anything but good news for bond holders, but the rising rate suggests that the collective wisdom of the bond market participants sees a recession as less and less likely. Still, the yield curve remains decidedly inverted with the highest Treasury security yields from three months to six months all above 5% (annualized). While the pundits are continuing to forecast a "pivot" by the Federal Reserve to lower short-term rates as the much-forecast recession arrives, instead, so far this year we have seen longer-term rates gradually rising. West Texas Intermediate crude oil (WTI) prices climbed 2.8% to \$82.70 per barrel, echoing the bond market assessment that economic demand was not likely to slow in the near future. Oil prices have now risen almost 25% in the last month.

### The Economy

As they have been for the past several months, all eyes were on the official inflation number released

### Market & Economic Update

by Jeffrey W. McClure



each month by the Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). Again, as usual, there is more than one way to view the data, depending on what a person wants to see. The "headline" number in the report was that over the past 12 months, the all-items index increased 5%. That number is unacceptably high and as the primary responsibility of the Federal Reserve Board of Governors is to maintain the stability and buying power of the dollar, an immediate fear of the Fed overreacting and plunging the U.S. economy into recession comes to mind. But wait! Reading the top line in the report tells a different story. "The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) rose 0.1% in March on a seasonally adjusted basis, after increasing 0.4% in February..." In short, inflation in the United States is currently running at 1.2%. More, that 5% number is the lowest 12-month report we have had since May 2021. For perspective, the 12-month CPI-U was above 9% just under a year ago. Inflation, by any measure is and has been coming down. Even the food index, one of the more volatile elements in the CPI, was unchanged in March. Inflation is still there, primarily in the housing (shelter) sections of the CPI report, but the Fed's efforts are having a distinct effect.

Adding to the evidence of a moderating economy was the report from the Labor Department that employers added 236,000 workers last month, a strong gain, but the smallest we have seen in more than two years. At the same time, wages rose 4.2% from one year ago, a still very strong number but, like the jobs report, the smallest annual gain we have seen since mid-2021. The Census Bureau chimed in as well with reinforcing news.

Advance estimates of U.S. retail and food service sales for March 2023, seasonally adjusted, were down 1% in March from February, but were up 5.4% from one year ago. The overall picture that emerged from the reports is that of an economy still growing but at a far more sustainable rate than we saw at the beginning of the year.

Then came the icing on the cake. Retail sales in their various forms are what drive our economy, but the prices we find there are largely driven by something called the "Producer Price Index for Final Demand" (PPI). The PPI for March declined 0.5%. Import prices and the PPI tend to lead the inflation numbers by one or two months. It is just possible we have turned the corner.

Finally, some perspective is in order here. According to two articles in *The Economist* this week, in 1990, America accounted for 40% of the world GDP. Today we produce 58% (China produces 18%). In that time, we have seen the number of U.S. workers grow by 1/3 compared with a 10% growth in Western Europe and Japan. The average American wage in our poorest state, Mississippi, exceeds that of the average in France. \$100 invested in an index of the biggest rich-world stocks outside the United States in 1990 would be worth about \$510 today, while \$100 invested in the stocks that make up the S&P 500 Stock Index in the U.S. would be worth about \$2,300 today. Along the way, according to the Conference Board, our productivity has increased 67% compared with 55% in Europe and 51% in Japan. We seem to enjoy beating up on ourselves but let us not forget we live in the most prosperous, successful, and powerful nation in the world today and in its entire history.

## Medicaid Cutoffs: An American Horror Story

By NUMIE DZURINKO

The biggest threat to Americans today isn't from a foreign power. It's from a long-running war on the poor by out of touch politicians and their Wall Street backers.

The latest attack on working Americans even has a name: "The Unwinding."

If that sounds like the title of a horror movie to you, you're not far off. Starting this April, state governments and welfare offices began cutting off Medicaid coverage from some 15 million people.

Under pandemic protocols, people getting health-care through Medicaid had enjoyed some extended protection from the constant threat of losing their care. In exchange for increased federal funds, the federal government had required states not to kick people off the program.

Before these protections, people could be cut from Medicaid for many reasons — including slight changes in income, missing paperwork, glitches in the system, mistakes by state agencies, or simply delayed mail deliveries.

The stated purpose of all this surveillance is to prevent "waste, fraud, and abuse" by those on Medicaid. But as anyone who's dealt with the American health care system can tell you, the real fraud comes from profiteering health care corporations, not patients.

For example the Centene Corporation, which acts as an intermediary between Medicaid and private insurers, recently had to pay

a \$140 million penalty for overbilling taxpayers in Ohio and Mississippi. More broadly, it's the fundamental business model of all insurance giants to collect premiums while denying care.

Still, it's working people who pay the biggest price. Late last year, both parties in Congress agreed to "unwind" federal Medicaid protections, making it possible for states to start stripping people of their health care starting April 1.

Sadly, this was no April fool's joke.

The health care cut-off could be a killer for people with chronic health conditions that require blood work, medication, and specialist appointments. It's a mental and behavioral health crisis in the making. And it will mean millions of Americans losing access to the doctors and health care providers that have come to understand their situation.

As pandemic protections expire, it's those who were hit hardest by the pandemic itself that will bear the brunt of this disaster, too.

A report from the Poor People's Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival found that counties with the most people living in poverty had pandemic death rates 1.5 times higher than counties with the fewest people living in poverty. These counties — both urban and rural, black and white, red and blue — will be decimated by these Medicaid cuts.

Not all of those 15 million may lose care entirely, but all will be impacted.

Some may still qualify for Medicaid if they re-ap-

ply, but that puts the burden on people who shouldn't have been thrown off in the first place. And about half will qualify for Affordable Care Act marketplace plans. But how many people do we already know on junk plans they will never use because of high deductibles and co-pays?

There are more than 140 million poor or near-poor people in the U.S. today, according to the Poor People's Campaign. Of that number, more than 90 million receive health care through Medicaid. The "unwinding" of care for 15 million people, then, is a horror story of epic proportions.

The pandemic moratorium on cut-offs was an absolute minimum measure to maintain health care coverage for working people in this country. It's the kind of thing that shows our government is perfectly capable of serving our people — when it chooses to.

With the overlapping health care crises of hospital closures and ballooning medical debt, our national wellbeing requires the extension of this moratorium and the expansion of Medicaid — not its "unwinding."

No elected official, community leader, or person of good conscience who claims to stand on the side of the people should make excuses for this punishing policy violence.

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## Bragg is already losing

Bragg is already losing. You don't know what's in the indictment.

That was the line that progressives repeatedly threw at conservatives dubious about Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg's case over the last couple of weeks.

Well, we've seen the unsealed indictment, and we still don't know the other crime besides falsifying business records that's being alleged, because Bragg didn't specify it in a shocking prosecutorial failure and abuse of the process.

What will be the new talking point? You don't know what Bragg might come up with between now and the next hearing on Dec. 4?

To review, Donald Trump paid off porn star Stormy Daniels, with whom he had an alleged affair, prior to the 2016 election. Such hush payments may be sleazy, but they aren't illegal.

Still, the reimbursements from the Trump Organization to Trump fixer Michael Cohen, who paid off Daniels, were logged as legal expenses. This was deceptive and potentially a misdemeanor. Dragging a former president through the criminal justice process just to get him on such a minor offense, though, was unappealing even to Bragg.

How to make the misdemeanor into felonies? Well, if the misleading bookkeeping entries were in the service of another crime, then, presto, they become alleged felonies. Bragg, through the process known as stacking, or amassing counts through sheer repetition, claims to have 34 of them.

That's a lot. But the



linchpin of the whole endeavor is the other crime, and Bragg still won't tell us, or the accused, what it is.

He's writing an Agatha Christie mystery, except the unknown isn't who committed the crime but what law he or she might have violated. It's "Something or Other, We'll Let You Know as Soon as We Figure It Out, on the Orient Express."

This is a flaw, not in the handling of some low stakes case no one will ever know about, but an unprecedented, historic case. This prosecution has drawn massive media attention, has rocketed Trump back to a large lead in the polls for the Republican nomination, and will surely further devalue our politics, with unforeseeable consequences.

And Bragg couldn't even dot his i's. Perhaps the most encouraging aspect of this sorry episode so far is that Bragg has demonstrated that it's possible to behave so egregiously in the pursuit of Donald Trump that even left-of-center pundits won't line up in support.

This might not be enormously confidence-inducing, but at a time of deep divisions, it shows that a disgracefully weak and contrived prosecution is a source of at least a measure of agreement among commentators usually wholly opposed to one another.

Who knew that Alvin Bragg would become a unifying force in the nation's

political debate?

The online publication *Slate*, a reliable source of some of the worst legal analysis on the internet, has run two doubtful pieces about the indictment. Mark Joseph Stern notes that "Bragg's legal theory is, if not convoluted, a fairly confusing effort to patch together disparate offenses into one alleged crime, carried out over 34 illegal payments."

Over at *Vox*, Ian Millhiser, usually a taker on any adventurous progressive legal theory, can't get on board the Bragg Train on this one: "It is unclear that the felony statute that Trump is accused of violating actually applies to him."

Ruth Marcus of *The Washington Post* warned about the potential weakness of the case prior to the unsealing of the indictment and is now decidedly unimpressed. She calls it "disturbingly unilluminating, and the theory on which it rests is debatable at best, unnervingly flimsy at worst."

Former FBI deputy director Andrew McCabe, a top Trump villain, said the indictment "landed like a dud ... an unimpressive document."

Pundits won't determine the course of the Bragg prosecution, but the climate around it matters, if nothing else, as a barometer of its strength and merits. It is telling that Bragg has managed to create a loose right-left consensus about the shoddiness of his handling.

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# Village of Salado Aldermen candidates tackle questions on roads, parks

Six candidates are vying for three two-year terms on the Village of Salado Board of Aldermen for the May 6 general election. They appear on the ballot in this order: D. Jasen Graham, Bert Henry, Linda Reynolds, Rodney W. Bell, Lennox J. Alfred, and Samuel Morris. Cody Coufal withdrew from the race on April 10.

This week, *Salado Village Voice* asked the following questions about roads and parks to the candidates.

**Question 1:** How would you rate the overall condition of roads that are within the Village right of way (not state or county)? Are the upcoming projects enough? What would you support to improve the road infrastructure of the local roads in the Village? (200 words)

**Question 2:** Further on this topic, would you support implementation of Road Impact Fees for future developments that feed into or connect to existing Village-owned roadways? What other funding mechanisms would you support for road improvements? (150 words)

**Question 3:** What can the Village do to address parking within the business district and downtown area of Salado? (150 words)

**Question 4:** What do you think of the Village maintenance, improvement and expansion of its parks system? Do we have enough parks and recreation facilities in the Village? If not, what can the BoA do to improve this quality of life issue in Salado? (150 words)



**D. JASEN GRAHAM**

**Question 1:** On a scale of 1 to 10 I would rate the roads the Village is responsible for maintaining as a 6. Collectively the surfaces of our roads are serviceable for residential traffic. The major issue our roads face is twofold. The majority of our roads are too narrow for anything more than two vehicles passing each other in separate directions. This is a complicated issue to address because of space limitations. The only way to widen many of our roads is to expand them into private property. The other challenge we face is the weight rating of our roads. Most of our roads are only rated for residential traffic and are not constructed to support prolonged movement from heavier construction vehicles.

While upcoming projects the Village has for the next 18-24 months go a long way toward making improvements to our infrastructure, they don't fully address the long-term sustainability of our entire road system. We need a true capital improvement plan that lays out a maintenance plan for every road prioritized by the volume of traffic and the condition of the road. This is an area needing improvement in the way our Village manages operations and maintenance related projects.

**Question 2:** Yes, I would support the implementation of Road Impact fees for future developments that feed into or connect to existing Village-owned roadways. This would include developments in our ETJ that apply to those criteria as well. We have reached a level in

our residential growth rate that the volume of traffic on our roads justifies these fees with new residential and commercial development contracts.

The Village already seeks federal, state and country funds in the form of grants and other partnerships to support funding of road maintenance and improvement. These are efforts we need to continue to offset costs incurred within our annual budget. The Village budgeted \$362,500 for this fiscal year and we have already committed close to 90% of that with under half of the budget year remaining. Fortunately, most of the upcoming projects include outside funding but it does show the need to seek alternative funds.

**Question 3:** Much like the residential road width, this is a complicated issue to address. Property lines within the business district and downtown area were established long ago without consideration to growth and the space required to provide adequate parking, particularly during peak season events (Christmas Stroll,

Wildflower Art Festival, Scottish Gathering, etc.). This is a challenge the vast majority of municipalities our size face.

Potential solutions include additional temporary offsite parking during peak seasons with shuttles providing transit service to more congested areas or purchase of additional land to construct parking lots on the periphery of the business district. However, the purchase of additional land and parking lot construction would be cost prohibitive and the benefits would not outweigh the cost.

**Question 4:** Our current annual budget for parks is \$68,500. The budget also allocates \$34,770.60 for maintenance worker wages. This funding supports some improvements but is mainly focused toward maintaining what we have.

The acreage of private and public parks we have for a municipality our size is sufficient. However, the number of parks we have is not as important as what we are or are not doing to maintain and improve the existing parks we have. The addi-

tion of a new playground in Pace Park will improve our existing facilities and with that project now being fully funded we can move forward in making that a reality.

New development agreements contain language for developers to provide funds to support our community's parks or build parks internal to their developments. This helps keep parks maintained. However, we must ensure these funds have the biggest impact where they are needed most.



**BERT HENRY**

**Question 1:** I would rate the overall road conditions in the Village as poor. The number of potholes suggest they have been neglected for years. When repairs are

made, they are not done properly (I received a text message on April 6 about the Village Maintenance Foreman patching a pothole on Smith Bluff, with cold mix, while it was raining. I drove over and confirmed it myself and it wasn't sufficiently compacted).

I'm pleased about the upcoming road projects scheduled for this summer, but there's still a lot more work to be done. I do, however, have some concerns about the Royal Street project, which begins at Main Street and continues to Drake's Landing. The original price tag for the full restoration was \$2 million, but was negotiated down to \$1.2 million, according to the Village Administrator. The cost

savings is certainly a plus, but what will we lose with the approximate decrease of \$800,000?

I would like to revisit a partnership with Bell County, in which Village roads were chip sealed by the County, at cost (materials, equipment and labor). It's not the most ideal solution, admittedly, but it's cost effective and would be a significant improvement to existing conditions.

**Question 2:** As I stated during the recent Chamber of Commerce Candidate Forum, I would fully support Road Impact Fees for future developments that feed into or connect to existing Village-owned roadways. In fact, I would encourage it.


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# Thanks to Patrons & Friends, Salado Community Chorus thrives

Most organizations reach their full potential with the assistance of a strong foundation of supporters who provide monetary donations and other services. The Salado Community Chorus (SCC) is no exception.

The most frequently asked question around town about the SCC is "How do they do it?"

Through information provided by the chorus and interviews with Salado residents, Dave and Pat Broecker, owners of the Broecker Funeral Home and Hulda Horton, a long-time resident of the village, we discovered that it is love of community and the musical arts.

Broecker and his wife, Patricia, in addition to Horton, are members of a group known as "Friends of the Chorus." They are three of 126 citizens from Salado and throughout the area who are SCC advocates as either "Friends" or "Patrons," according to Deborah Hays, treasurer of the 2023 chorus. "We also depend on grants and corporate benefactors to fund other operating expenses."

Hays said, "We get several anonymous cash donations

at the concerts, as well. Donations totaled \$11,984.95 last year."

There are two levels of yearly giving. A "Friend" donates \$50-\$199 per year. A "Patron" donates \$200 or more per year.

Donations supply technical support, guest musicians at concerts, printing of posters, programs, advertising and stipends for the director and pianist.

SCC Member Naomi Stroud said, "We sponsor a simple appreciation dinner for our donors each year to express our thanks. The next dinner will be in October or November 2023."

The Broeckers have been "Friends" of the chorus for the past 20 years.

Shortly after arriving in Salado, they met Cathy Sands, who encouraged them to join, which they did, and began attending concerts. "We thought it was an important part of Salado and that residents should encourage the chorus with donations and attendance at concerts," they said.

"SCC is not a fund-raising kind of organization. It's a doing and giving group of singers and that's what I appreciate," said Broecker in an interview.

He said, "For example, Jane Wilmer, who celebrated her 99th birthday on April 2, sang with the chorus for at least 27 years then moved to California two years ago. It's been rewarding to see people like her sharing their musical gift."

The "Friends" and "Patrons" are cheerleaders for the chorus and encourage others to join the SCC," according to the Broeckers. Dave, said, "When I hear a voice that would be a good addition, I recruit them immediately and direct them to Dottie," he said.

Long-time resident Hulda Horton, 93, is not only a "Friend" of the Chorus but also sang alto in the first SCC Women's Chorale in 1994.

In 2000, Dr. Betty Thorne became the director and added men singers changing the group to a mixed chorus. Horton



Dave and Pat Broecker, Friends of Salado Community Chorus. (COURTESY PHOTO)



(COURTESY PHOTO)  
Hulda Horton, Friend of Salado Community Chorus.

said, "I liked that because it added a lower and fuller foundation to our sound."

She said, "I sang with the chorus for about five years and wanted to continue being involved in the SCC even after I left. The reason I became a "Friend" is because the chorus is beneficial to our community."

Director Dottie Shirley said, "Our wish is that even more people in the village would become "Friends/Patrons" and in return we will dedicate ourselves to delivering quality vocal music performances to all our audiences."

The Salado Community Chorus is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to the promotion

of music and harmony in the Village of Salado through FREE public performances.

To become a "Friend or Patron" visit the SCC Chorus website at...www.saladochorus.com and complete the online information form then click on the DONATE button or send the chorus a check to SCC, P.O. Box 443, Salado, Tx 76571, and either way the SCC will send you a letter for use in claiming a tax deduction.

For questions or more information, contact President Ana Pollock or Treasurer Deborah Hays at SaladoTxCommunityChorus@gmail.com.



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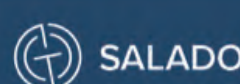
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## Salado Public Library District celebrates anniversary with scavenger hunt prior to May 20 party

The Salado Public Library District celebrates its 25th year as a library district and its 20th year in its current location this spring, with a scavenger hunt leading up to the anniversary party in May. The four-week scavenger hunt, with clue-published each week, starts today.

### Scavenger Hunt Clue #1

Once upon a time, they had a dream of bringing a library to Salado. They shared their dream with friends and neighbors who came to their aid. They spearheaded the efforts to found Salado's first library in 1986 and the vote to establish the Salado Public Library District in 1998. They could be called the parents of the Salado Public Library District. Do you know who they are? Celebrating 25 years as a library district and 20 years in our current location, we remember with gratitude this couple and many other supporters, leaders, volunteers and donors. Take photos of these two founders as they oversee their dream in action every day and then take another photo of the plaque honoring Salado Public Library's mother next to the Ronnie Wells sculpture. Submit photos, along with your name and phone number. The first person to correctly answer both clues wins a prize!

Scavenger Hunt Rules: Participants must submit their photo answers by email to the library at splstaffal@gmail.com and include their name and phone number. Answers for each week must be submitted before the next week's clue is published. Participants are advised not to climb or risk any injuries in order to take pictures answering the clues. The first correct answer(s) submitted by email each week wins that week's prize. No library staff or board members or their families may participate in the scavenger hunt and may not give answers to the clues. All those submitting correct answers over the hunt's four weeks will be entered in the May 20 anniversary celebration drawing for a chance to win another prize.

On May 20, the Salado Public Library will close at 2 p.m., and the anniversary party will be from 4-6 p.m. Refreshments, recognition of library supporters, door prizes and additional scavenger hunt prizes will be given. For more information about the library district's history and anniversary celebration, please contact the Salado Public Library at (254) 947-9191 or visit the library website at saladolibrary.org.



**SUNDAYS at Salado Public Library**  
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[www.saladocm.org](http://www.saladocm.org)

## Salado Community Foundation elects new officers, adds board members

The Salado Community Foundation elected new Board Members and officers at its recent meeting. New Board Officers are President John Barclay, Vice President Melanie Kirchmeier, Treasurer Bryan Fritch and Secretary Michael Moore

Newly elected Board members Lawson Grant, Christy Goodfellow, and Neil Dunch, who join current Board Members Marilyn Fleischer, Michael Novotny, Merle Stalcup, and Jennifer Westbrook.

The SCF is a volunteer-driven 501(c) 3 non profit corporation dedicated to

providing needed Salado Community Projects with their own grants or collaborations with other local groups to improve the quality of life in Salado.

Currently SCF is partnering with Salado Senior Center to help launch a much needed safe, friendly, enhanced environment for Salado seniors. In addition, the SCF has agreed to assist Salado Music Friendly Community in their efforts to receive grants to enhance the live music scene in Salado. Past projects have included the IH35 Salado signage.

The SCF welcomes do-

notors to consider creating an endowment or planned giving with estate bequests to benefit the Salado Community in the years to come. It will also anticipated SCF will soon launch an annual giving "Friends" group to help support SCF in its ongoing mission. Interested persons can contact any SCF Board member to become involved.

Ideas for new programs or collaborations with other groups are welcomed. Last year SCF was approved as a member of "Council on Foundations". According to COF there are over 900 community foundations

operating in the US and approximately 350 are members of COF. In recent years Community Foundations in The United States have given over \$5 Billion annually to a variety of nonprofit activities including the arts, education, health and human services.

"From little acorns mighty oaks do grow" is a 14th century proverb that perfectly applies to The Salado Community Foundation's mission to improve the lives of current and future generations of Salado residents."

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[StJosephSalado.org](http://StJosephSalado.org)

### Belton Sr. Activity Center sets dance, pot luck

Belton Senior Activity Center will host a dance at 6:30 p.m. April 20 with Old Friends performing. Attendees are asked to bring a snack dish to share.

The Senior Activity Center will also host a Pot Luck Dinner on April 24, with music by Josh Stewart, First Baptist Church Belton Worship Pastor.

The Belton Senior Activity Center is located at 842 Mitchell St. in Belton.

For more information, call 254-770-7958.

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[www.newlifemethodistsalado.org](http://www.newlifemethodistsalado.org)  
**New Life Methodist Church of Salado**

### SARW celebrate National Day of Prayer on May 4

Salado Area Republican Women with Central Texas Republican Women will be celebrating National Day of Prayer at 10 a.m. on Thursday, May 4 on the steps of the Bell County Courthouse in downtown Belton. There will be a color guard along with the reading of Gov. Abbott's Proclamation as well as the reading by Judge Blackburn of the Bell County Proclamation. Members from both Republican Women's groups will read the National Prayer. Everyone is invited to join the group as we pray for our Nation and leaders.

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Submit your news & community events with photos to [news@saladovillagevoice.com](mailto:news@saladovillagevoice.com)

# Candidates on roads, parks

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This is not a foreign concept. Chapter 395 of the Texas Local Government Code authorizes impact fees to be imposed against new development, so I don't see a reason to not pursue them as an option. The residents of Salado are certainly bearing more fiscal responsibility than they should with the Sanctuary Development Agreement, which has been proven to benefit the Developers, not the Village or its residents. Those types of deals cannot happen again.

Another option would be to continue to seek grants for road improvements in the Village. Additionally, as stated above, I would revisit a partnership with Bell County to assist with road improvements.

**Question 3:** It's difficult to make additional parking spaces where no space exists. One possibility would be to look into changing the diagonal, back-in parking along Main Street to traditional parking. It wouldn't fix the lack of parking on a large scale, but every added space would help. Additionally, I would suggest a continued partnership with the local churches to utilize their parking lots, if permission were granted. Furthermore, opening the gated area along Salado Creek at Pace Park would offer a great deal of additional parking, especially on the weekends and during peak seasons.

**Question 4:** I am disappointed with the Village's maintenance of our parks. When repairs are needed, they are done improperly and in a way that leaves the Village open to liability. The residents deserve better and it's not a good first impression for visitors. Also, there needs to be an improved process to ensure the restroom facilities are open when necessary.

In my opinion, we do not have enough parks and recreation facilities in the Village. In order to expand our current options, the Village needs to acquire more open space and not allow developers a "buy out" option to prevent them from including these areas.

On a positive note, the long-awaited construction of the All-Abilities Playground is scheduled to begin in "6-8 weeks." Additionally, the Parks Advisory Board is currently in discussions about some exciting new additions. The potential additions include Pickle Ball Courts and a Dog Park.



LINDA REYNOLDS

**Question 1:** Our Village residential roads range from outstanding (Natasha St) to Donkey Cart paths...most at the low end.

More commercial roads are on the list, and I will support both the county and village spending more funds on our roads instead of going in together on the new village offices outside the Village.

**Question 2:** The taxpayer pays a hefty amount to Bell County and Bell County Roads. We need Commissioner Whitson to partner with the Village to do what Tim Brown use to do when we were not incorporated.

Also, the taxpayer pays franchise taxes every month on garbage, water, electric, phone and cable bills. Those dollars should go to the road repair.

In other words, the village taxpayer is already paying road repair taxes. Will the leaders spend it on new Village Offices, or repair our roads?

In the past 9 years I have attended nearly all PNZ and board meetings. Except for the fact that the Village manager does not encourage speakers to be heard, or improve outside lighting or safe handicap accessibility, I have been comfortable.

**Question 3:** The Civic center, Brookshires, and the Churches have been very generous about opening their lots.

Business owners need to identify parking areas for employees, so one business does not infringe on another businesses' customer parking.

The Chamber and Tourism folks must work to better advertise a free Trolley ride at events, and even spend some \$\$ to hire teens with drivers licenses?

Effort and creativity are needed on this issue, since land is at a premium.

**Question 4:** The Village needs a pool to teach swimming to little ones, and allow the elderly a safe place to exercise. We need to look ahead to the day when Hidden Glen may be for sale. There is a great deal of land still to be developed at that site.

When the developer of Hidden Glen gave the Vil-

lage \$10,000 for parks, instead of creating park space on the development, the money melted away into the budget.

When our Ordinance required a development the size of Mustang Springs to give the Village \$800,000 for our park system, our mayor negotiated us down to a \$300,000 donation (tax deductible for the developer) and Mustang Springs kept \$500,000 in pocket.

Also, we all support the schools financially. I'd like to open discussions about a partnership to negotiate use and improvement of playgrounds when school is not in session.



RODNEY W. BELL

**Question 1:** I would rate the overall condition of roads within the Village as fair.

I believe the upcoming Royal street and West Village road projects will be successful road projects, but they are only part of a bigger issue. Continual road projects and budgeting for projects each year is the answer to solving this problem.

To solve the problem, we need to continue our efforts to capture federal and state dollars similar to the Royal Street project. In addition, we need to continue to budget Maintenance & Operations (M&O) allocations into road projects. As additional developments are added to the village, the pool of money from tax revenue will assist in solving this problem.

**Question 2:** I would support a Road Impact Fee on future developments, however that needs to be up-front on the developer. The implementation of the fee structure needs to be evaluated and does not need to be a tax on the home owner after the developer has sold the lot. The developer will pass the fee to the buyer, however the fee needs to be assessed only one time.

As mentioned above, continuing our efforts to capture federal and state dollars to address road improvements is a key strategy. This allows us to improve roads and not bear the burden of using M&O allocations. Therefore, additional projects can be initiated by using the village tax

dollars through the normal budgeting process. These additional projects are typically smaller in size and can be addressed quicker.

**Question 3:** The village needs to work with businesses to see if we can create a more centralized parking environment. As more businesses and activity come into the village, we need to establish a long-range plan for solving this problem. Utilizing property off of Royal Street may be a partial solution, but we need to identify additional space to solve this problem.

With big events, there needs to be more planning and utilization of the shuttling services from remote parking locations. Better communication of where the parking exist may need to be added to digital platforms for ease of use. In addition, more signage may assist in this issue

**Question 4:** In my opinion maintenance of our parks system is poor, and is solely the responsibility of the Village. I believe the parks board has been working hard on future projects, and progress is being made on Pace Park. Once completed, the Village needs to prioritize the necessary funds to maintain the area to match the new equipment and quality expected in Salado.

I believe we have enough parks and recreational facilities. The new sidewalks on Main Street have added to the quality of life and enhanced our village. As new neighborhood developments are established, parks are also a part of the development. Again, the Village will need to prioritize funding for the proper maintenance of each park.



LENNOX J. ALFRED

**Question 1:** Many of the roads within the Village right of way are in need of repairs, maintenance or upgrades. We are experiencing a dramatic increase in vehicles of all sizes and types using the roadway which is not rated for such daily usage. Their overall condition can be considered unsatisfactory. Some roadways are deteriorated to the point of potholes, lost curbs, uneven surfaces and poor drainage. The Village Administration recently identified numerous road improvement projects, restorations and upgrades which includes a \$1.2 million road improvement project from Main Street to Drake's Landing. Many other road improvement projects were also identified throughout the Village for completion this summer. These upcoming improvement projects are well needed but overdue, and reflects only a small portion of the amount of work needed to improve and maintain our roads and infrastructure.

**Question 2:** It may become necessary for the Village Administration to implement a Road Impact Fee on future property developers to offset the financial burden the Village will have to bear to maintain public infrastructure i.e roads, water and sewers. I will be more inclined to entertain a discussion and support a Public Improvement District (PID) as I see this more beneficial

to the Village and the subdivision being served. The financial burden to maintain the infrastructure will be paid for by the members of that community with an assessment which can be set for years in the future.

**Question 3:** It would be a challenge to address parking within the business district and the downtown area. I am certain every business owner in the downtown area has a major concern about customer parking, which is compounded on weekends and whenever there are special events. Because of the physical layout of the downtown area and the concentration of local business it is difficult to see an effective solution. An option would be to designate alternative parking areas at off-site locations and maintain a shuttle service.

**Question 4:** The Village Administration and the BoA have a genuine desire to improve the quality of life for the community by their desire to enhance, expand and improve the current parks and recreational facilities. I believe these improvements will benefit our citizens, create a family-oriented facility which can be used and enjoyed by all to include visitors to our Village. I believe the parks and recreation facilities within the Village are adequate. The recent donation of \$365,000.00 for the completion of the All Abilities Playground will provide another facility that is dignified, well maintained and offers an exceptional experience to everyone. Whether the park's usage is for pleasure or moments of relaxation our citizens deserve the best facilities we can provide.



SAMUEL MORRIS

**Question 1:** Throughout the Village, the streets exhibit signs of neglect, despite some efforts made in the past few years to address this issue, such as the improvements made to Park Drive. Unfortunately, the Village still grapples with poor street conditions due to inadequate drainage, insufficient maintenance, and heavy construction. Although the plans for Royal Street represent a step in the right direction, significant projects like this take time to complete. Therefore, we require a stopgap solution to address these problems, even if it is only temporary.

To this end, I propose creating a forum on the Village website where residents can submit and track road and vegetation issues in real-time. We must also review our existing agreement with Bell County to ensure they are fulfilling their responsibilities. Additionally, we should assess the current staffing levels within the Village Maintenance department to provide the administration with the necessary resources to respond promptly to issues.

Overall, we must take a comprehensive approach to improve the state of our streets and ensure that our infrastructure meets the needs of our community.

**Question 2:** In short, yes. When planning development projects, it is essential that the burden of infrastructure impact does not fall on the taxpayer. We

must insist that new developments pay their fair share. Whether it's new housing areas or businesses, developers must ensure that they are doing things correctly. This includes implementing turn lanes if necessary and installing proper curb and gutter systems. We should not limit our focus to just roads but also prioritize drainage.

Although the county and state have personnel responsible for monitoring these developments, it is crucial that the Village has someone who is dedicated to ensuring our best interests are being upheld. Moving forward, we must make sure that things are done right the first time around.

In conclusion, it is imperative that developers take responsibility for the impact their projects have on the community's infrastructure. By holding them accountable and providing proper oversight, we can ensure that future developments do not place undue financial strain on the taxpayers.

**Question 3:** After speaking with people about Main Street, it is apparent that parking has become a significant issue over the years. Although the Main Street project was supposed to address this, I am unsure if it has been effective. The back-in parking areas have not worked as intended, and the sidewalk/parking on the south end of Main has created additional problems. Even small SUVs extend out into Main Street make it difficult to see traffic and pedestrians at the Royal Street intersection. As we strive to develop the north side, the need for a solution will only increase. Therefore, we must work with Village businesses to find both public and private solutions.

While the Royal Street project is a step in the right direction, I do not believe it will solve the issue entirely. We need to identify an area on the north side of Main that can accommodate lined parking for visitors, and we should consider creative uses of Village property for the south end.

I am committed to working with the Village and local businesses to address this problem. We must prioritize finding a solution that works for the community and ensures that our streets are safe and accessible for all.

**Question 4:** Parks and green spaces are vital to any community, offering a range of benefits from playgrounds and ball fields to walking paths and more. Salado is fortunate to have some fantastic areas, but there is always room for improvement.

If elected to represent the community of Salado, my first priority would be to focus on improving Pace Park. However, it is equally important to ensure that new developments coming into the area set aside green space to maintain the charm that makes Salado so unique. We should also encourage developers to incorporate walking and bike paths into their designs for residential and mixed-use areas.

Furthermore, we must continually explore ways to enhance and create new community spaces. These spaces bring people together, which is critical for promoting social cohesion and a sense of belonging. Ultimately, by investing in our parks and green spaces, we can help to create a thriving, healthy, and connected community for everyone to enjoy.

**Let's Have Coffee Together with Lennox Alfred candidate for Village of Salado Board of Aldermen 9 a.m. April 21 Strawberry Patch of Salado 171 S. Main St., Suite A**

This event will give the community another opportunity to see and hear more from and about the candidate directly in an informal setting. Coffee will be served. Bring your favorite cup. No registration is required.



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## Porch & Planet Festival April 22 all over Salado

The inaugural Salado Porch and Planet Festival will be held noon-5 p.m., April 22, at a variety of Salado businesses.

The event, organized by the Village of Salado's Music Friendly Community Advisory Board, will provide an afternoon of music and Earth Day activities where residents and visitors can visit businesses while enjoying time in Salado.

The Salado Porch and Planet Festival will take place on the front porches, stoops, yards, or driveways of businesses along Main Street from Salado Plaza Drive to College Hill Drive and along on Royal Street.

Following are the performers, times and locations:

- 21 Main, Salado Square, 21 N. Main St., Diane Calderwood, 12-4 p.m.
- Axis Winery, 831 N. Main, Ashley Blake, 12-5 p.m.
- Barrow Brewing, 108 Royal St., Native Plant Sale of the Tonkawa Chapter of the Native Plant Society of Texas, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Salado Civic Center, 601 N. Main St., sponsored by Music Association of Central Texas, at the Gazebo on the grounds. Bring lawn chairs or enjoy the benches beneath the oak trees. Performers include Antho-

ny Garcia, noon; HMMM Quartet, 1 p.m.; Stephany Chavia, 1:30 p.m.; Frankie G., 3:45 p.m. and Lilly Milford, 4 p.m.

- Empresario Wines, inside Salado Inn, 7 N. Main St., Suite A, Colleen Michele Miller, 1-4 p.m. and Texas wine tasting.

- Griffith Fine Art Gallery, 229 N. Main St., will host a kids' coloring activity, 12-5 p.m.

- MAK'S Mercantile, 680 N. Main St., Megan Brucker, 1-4 p.m. and Mama Llama Food Truck.

- Creekside Plaza, 171 S. Main St. with Paul Cox noon-5 p.m., sponsored by Prellop Fine Art & Framing, The Strawberry Patch, Susan Marie's, Connie's Gifts and Stagecoach Galleries.

- Salado Museum, 423 S. Main St., Amanda Brown, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Grass Hair kits with the Bell County Master Gardeners, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

- Shady Villa Hotel, 416 S. Main St., Scott Taylor, 1-3 p.m. along with family games and activities at the pool pavilion.

- Solas Gallery, 2 Rock Creek Drive, Tapville Social Mobile Taproom, 12-5 p.m.

- SophistiKatz Beads, Old Town Salado, Rebecca Jane, 1-4 p.m.

- Tango Charlie Boutique and Tex 28 Outfitters, 112

Royal St., Nate Ivicic, noon-3 p.m. and kids activities.

- The Nature Company of Salado, 33 S. Main St., Steve Pettit, 2-4 p.m., DPW Environmental hosting family activities.

- The Pizza Place, 230 N. Main St., Face Painting.

- Wells Gallery, 302 N. Main St., Kids' photos with Ronnie's sculptures.

Food Trucks will include Texas Best Twist at First Baptist Church, 210 S. Main St.; Mama Llama Mobile Kitchen at MAK'S Mercantile, 680 N. Main St.; Tapville Mobile Tavern, at Solas Gallery, 2 Rock Creek Dr. and Southern Shiver at Salado Museum, 423 South Main St.

The Music Friendly Community designation is awarded through the Texas Music Office, a department under the Office of the Governor. The purpose of the Music Friendly Community Advisory Board is to promote music in Salado by connecting and supporting musicians, songwriters, venues, and vendors and advising the Village of Salado on strategies and goals to address opportunities and challenges in the local music industry.

For more information visit [www.saladotx.gov/music-friendly-community](http://www.saladotx.gov/music-friendly-community).



Lighting sale at Salado Glassworks, #2 Peddler's Alley, through June 10, 10% off all lighting fixture, including lamps, pendants, chandeliers. Gallery is open Wednesday-Sunday or by appointment. Sale includes custom work. Call 254-947-0339 for more information or email [info@saladoglassworks.com](mailto:info@saladoglassworks.com)



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# Village of Salado Calendar of Events

### Mondays

Floor practice at Salado Masonic Lodge #296, 95 S. Church St., 6:30 p.m. except on Stated Meeting nights.  
Open Mic with Ryan White, at Chupacabra, 7 p.m.  
Tonkawa Chapter Native Plant Society of Texas meeting, 6 p.m., Barrow Brewing Co.

Second Monday Book Club meets at 7 p.m. at Salado Winery, 841 N. Main St.  
Salado Democrats meet the third Monday of each month, 7 p.m., in the conference room of Salado Public Library.

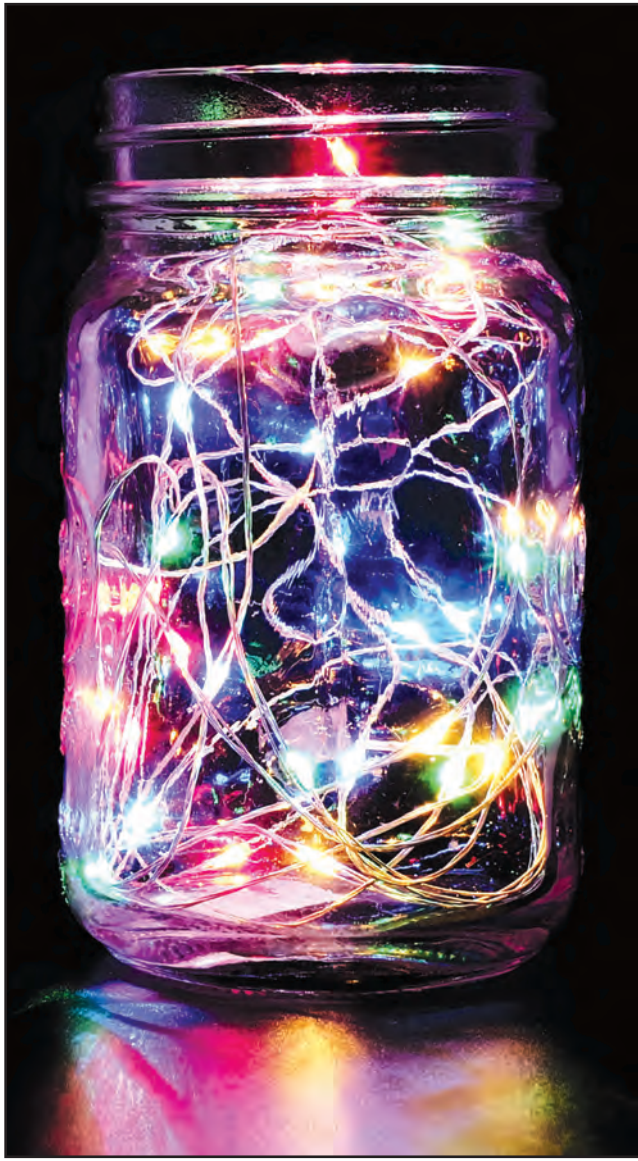
### Tuesdays

Knitting Group at Salado Public Library, 10 a.m.  
Storytime with Ms. Mia at Salado Public Library, 11 a.m.  
Tech Tuesday at Salado Public Library, 2 p.m. Get help with technology. Appointment required. Call the Library at 254-947-9191.

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. Reservations encouraged.  
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.  
Karaoke, 7-10 p.m. at Chupacabra.  
**Thursdays**  
Vinyl Nite with Shannon at



Make Mason Jar Luminaries at Salado Public Library at 5:30 p.m. May 4. Register for the adult craft class at the library front desk.

### April 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.

### April 21

Belly Dance Night at Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m.

### April 21

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

### April 21 & 22

We are MUSIC! is a celebration of our personal connection with the music that becomes the soundtrack of our lives at Salado Museum, 423 S. Main St.. Performances by Richard Paul Thomas, Emma Jane Conley, TerryLynn and Richard Schrimsher. Tickets are \$30, available at <https://SaladoMuseum.org> and at the door. Show starts at 7 p.m.

### April 21-May 13

Blow-Your-Own Mother's Day Gift Event at Salado Glassworks, #2 Peddler's Alley. Fridays and Saturdays. Register online at [saladoglassworks.com](http://saladoglassworks.com).

### April 22

Tonkawa Chapter of Native Plant Society of Texas spring plant sale at Barrow Brewing Co., 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Information on helping to save the endangered Texas State Reptile the Horned Lizard, bee keeping, water saving drought tolerant plants and free seeds will be available. Again this year Wild Birds Unlimited of Temple will be available to answer all of your birding questions as well as showcasing all the latest feeders, seeds and bird baths. Containers will be provided to help with the carrying of your chosen plants along with helpful volunteers to get them to your vehicle. A special "Ask Me" area has been added this year with friendly experienced gardeners who will offer advice for all your native plant questions. A partial list of items included in the sale is available at [www.npsotcentx.org](http://www.npsotcentx.org).

### April 22

Cook Off For Cancer will have barbecue competitors lining Salado's Main Street. Wristbands will be available for \$10 at the Salado Civic Center. The public can vote for their favorite. When you purchase a wristband, you will be given tickets to drop in the jar of your favorite barbecue team.

### April 22

Salado Porch and Planet Festival, noon-5 p.m. The event will provide an afternoon of music and Earth Day activities where residents and visitors can visit businesses while enjoying time in Salado.

### April 22

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

### April 22

Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m. Trey Yenger.

### April 23

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

### April 24

Salado Ladies Community League celebrates its half-century of service to Salado with an evening event at The View at the Creek, 6-8 p.m. Wine and appetizers and a short program honoring past presidents of the Salado Ladies Community League, which began as the Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary in 1973.

### April 25

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Nancy Best Realty and other businesses at their new location on Main St., 4:30-6:30 p.m. at Salado Inn, 7 N. Main St.

### April 25

Salado Community Chorus Spring Concert, 7 p.m. at

First Baptist Church of Salado.

### April 26

Music Munchkins, 10 a.m., Salado Public Library

### April 26

Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Check-point Germany.

### April 26

Adult Craft Sharpie Tile Planter, 5:30 p.m. Salado Public Library

### April 27

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

### April 27

Pinot Noir curated wine tasting hosted by Hannah Hendrick 6-8 p.m. at Salado Winery, 841 N. Main St. Tickets available online through Salado Winery Eventbrite. Call 254-947-8011 or check Facebook for more information.

### April 27

Salado Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet, 6 p.m., Bell County Expo Center Special Events Room. \$60 per person, table sponsorship, \$550. Order tickets online at [salado.com](http://salado.com).

### April 27

Barrow Boogie line dancing fundraiser for the Salado Senior Center, 6:30 p.m.

### April 27

Program on water conservation, sponsored by Salado Area Republican Women, 6:30 p.m. Salado Civic Center. Aaron Abel, Water Services Manager at Brazos River Authority, and Brad Brunett, Regional Manager for the Central and Lower Basins of the BRA, will be the speakers. Free, reservations required by contacting [sherril.gardipee@gmail.com](mailto:sherril.gardipee@gmail.com) or 254 217-4390 no later than April 24.

### April 27

Salado UIL One-Act Play public performances of scenes from The Ferryman, 7 p.m. Salado High School cafeteria. Tickets are \$5 at the door.

### April 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.

### April 28

Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., Britton Pyeatt.

### April 28

Royal Street Art Walk. Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Matthew Johnson.

### April 29

The Lions Roar 5K Walk/Run, 9 a.m. at Salado Civic Center. \$30 person, \$20 per person 17 & Under. Awards to overall male and female, top three male and female in each age group. Online registration at [runsignup.com](http://runsignup.com).

### April 29

Crawfish Boil benefiting the Masonic Lodges of Bell County, 10:30 a.m.-sold out, \$20 per plate. Barrow Brewing Co.

### April 29

Tablerock Festival of Salado presents the 2023 Animal Tales Anthology and Tablerock Poetry Festival 3-9 p.m.

### April 29

Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Denny Cullinan.

### April 29

Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m., Jon Austin

### April 30

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

Weekly curated wine tasting hosted by Hannah Hendrick at Salado Winery, 841 N. Main St. Tickets available online through Salado Winery Eventbrite. Call 254-947-8011 or check Facebook for more information.

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# Spring native plant sale set April 22 at Barrow

The Tonkawa Chapter of the Native Plant Society of Texas Annual Spring Sale will be held 9 a.m.-3 p.m. April 22 at Barrow Brewing 108 Royal St. in Salado.

Texas native plants, trees, shrubs and grasses have been collected from numerous sources over the past year and are healthy and ready for planting. Over 100 varieties of these vital pollinator attracting plants will be offered in various areas at the Salado Springs along with numerous educational booths. Six varieties of milkweed that grow in Central Texas, and help to attract butterflies, will be included in the Monarch Area. Numerous host and nectar plants along with information on how to grow milk-

weeds from seeds and how to build your own Monarch way stations will also be available. A large variety of flowering native Texas trees are included in this year's sale with some located as far away as Medina, Texas. The collection includes Texas Red Bud, Mexican Plum, Rusty Blackhaw, Bigtooth Maples, Eve's Necklace, just to name a few. Sun-loving and shade plants will be available in numerous sizes and price ranges perfect for adding to home landscaping, fields, and meadows.

Information on helping to save the endangered Texas State Reptile the Horned Lizard, bee keeping, water saving drought tolerant plants and free seeds will be available. Again this year

Wild Birds Unlimited of Temple will be available to answer all of your birding questions as well as showcasing all the latest feeders, seeds and bird baths. Containers will be provided to help with the carrying of your chosen plants along with helpful volunteers to get them to your vehicle. A special "Ask Me" area has been added this year with friendly experienced gardeners who will offer advice for all your native plant questions. A partial list of items included in the sale is available at [www.npsot-centx.org](http://www.npsot-centx.org).

All proceeds from the sale will be used to fund numerous educational and community projects in Bell County.



Desert Willow is among the plants for sale April 22.

# Salado Calendar of Events

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**May 1**  
Stated meeting for Salado Masonic Lodge #296, 95 S. Church St., 7:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

**May 3**  
Music Munchkins at Salado Public Library, 10 a.m.

**May 4**  
Adult Craft at Salado Public Library. Mason Jar Luminaries, 5:30 p.m. Sign-up at front desk.

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

**May 4**  
Make and Take Sangria wine tasting hosted by Hannah Hendrick 6-8 p.m. at Salado Winery, 841 N. Main St. Tickets available online through Salado Winery Eventbrite. Call 254-947-8011 or check Facebook for more information.

**May 4**  
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](http://saladotx.gov) 72 hours before meeting.

**May 4**  
Texas Red's Name That Tune Bingo with Sweet Caroline and DJ Dale Host, 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co. Featuring 75 Hit Songs. Mark your free Bingo cards to win brewery prizes.

**May 5**  
Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m. Wade Ralston.

**May 5-7**  
Salado Cowboy Poetry & Music Gathering, throughout Salado. Visit <https://saladocowboypoeetry.org>.

**May 6**  
Century 21 Annual Shred Day 9 a.m.-11a.m. 860 N Main St

**May 6**  
Cowboy Poetry at Salado Public Library, 11 a.m.

**May 6**  
Robot Day at Salado Public Library, 1-3 p.m. with the Salado Eaglebots robotics team.

**May 6**  
Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m. Cami Maki.

**May 8**  
The 2nd Monday bookclub meets at 7 p.m. at Salado Winery, 841 N. Main St. Book for May is Wrong Place Wrong Time by Gilliam McAllister.

**May 10**  
Salado Lions Club luncheon meeting, 11:30 a.m., Salado Civic Center.

**May 11**  
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Symbol Brewing.

**May 11**  
Salado Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting for Wristy Business, #1 Rock Creek Dr., 5:30 p.m.

**May 11**  
Blow-Your-Own Ladies' Night Event at Salado Glassworks, #2 Peddler's Alley. Stemless Wine Glass (\$100). Ages 21+. Register online at [saladoglassworks.com](http://saladoglassworks.com).

**May 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 Oaxaca, Mexico.

**May 12**  
Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m. Michael Saldana.

**May 13**  
Lego Freeplay at Salado Public Library, 12:30 p.m.

**May 13**  
Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m. Josh Jaccard.

**May 13-14**  
Salado Market Days 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall 721 Stagecoach Road. Salado's original Market Days event.

**May 15**  
Salado Democrats meet the



Paper Airplane Extravaganza at Salado Public Library, 2:30 p.m. May 25.

third Monday of each month, 7 p.m., in the conference room of Salado Public Library.

**May 16**  
Adult Book Talk at Salado Public Library, 6:30 p.m.

**May 17**  
Music Munchkins at Salado Public Library, 10 a.m.

**May 18**  
Kids craft Lava Lamps, Salado Public Library, 4:30 p.m.

**May 18**  
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Wild Acre.

**May 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](http://saladotx.gov) 72 hours before meeting.

**May 18**  
Texas Red's Name That Tune Bingo with Sweet Caroline and DJ Dale Host, 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co. Featuring 75 Hit Songs. Mark your free Bingo cards to win brewery prizes.

**May 18**  
Blow-Your-Own Date Night Event at Salado Glassworks, #2 Peddler's Alley. Blow your Own Bowl (\$190). Ages 21+. Register online at [saladoglassworks.com](http://saladoglassworks.com).

**May 19**  
Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m. David Matthew Harness.

**May 19-20**  
3C Revival Rodeo, 3C Cowboy Fellowship arena, 16258 Gooseneck Rd. Gates open 5:30 p.m.

**May 20**  
Salado Public Library closes at 2 p.m. for 4-6 p.m. Anniversary Party

**May 20**  
Salado Public Library 25th Anniversary Celebration, 4-6 p.m.

**May 20**  
Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m. Kyle Mathis.

**May 22**  
Salado ISD Board of Trustees meeting, 6 p.m., Salado Civic Center.

**May 24**  
Salado Lions Club luncheon meeting, 11:30 a.m., Salado Civic Center.

**May 24**  
Century 21 Snow Cone Day Noon-2 p.m at 860 N. Main

**May 25**  
Kids Paper Airplane Extravaganza at Salado Public Library, 2:30 p.m.

**May 25**  
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight.

Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Southern Roots.

**May 26**  
Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., Britton Pyeatt.

**May 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.

**May 26-June 17**  
Blow-Your-Own Father's Day Mugs Event at Salado Glassworks, #2 Peddler's Alley. Fridays and Saturdays. Register online at [saladoglassworks.com](http://saladoglassworks.com).

**May 27**  
Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m., Jon Austin.

**June 2-3**  
Shakespeare on the Rock with McLennan Community College performance of The Two Gentlemen of Verona, 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children at [centraltexasitickets.com](http://centraltexasitickets.com) or at the gate. Gate opens at 6 p.m.

**June 6**  
Salado Fine China Luncheon, at the Blue Heron Room of Tenroc Ranch. For tickets, contact Barclay McCort, [barclaymccort@gmail.com](mailto:barclaymccort@gmail.com) or at 254 760-4266.

**June 8**  
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 Quebec.

**June 10-11**  
Salado Market Days 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall 721 Stagecoach Road. Salado's original Market Days event.

**June 17**  
Salado Springs Beer Festival, grounds of Barrow Brewing Co.

**June 23**  
Fourth Friday Gospel Singing 7 p.m. at First Cedar Valley Baptist Church, FM 2843.

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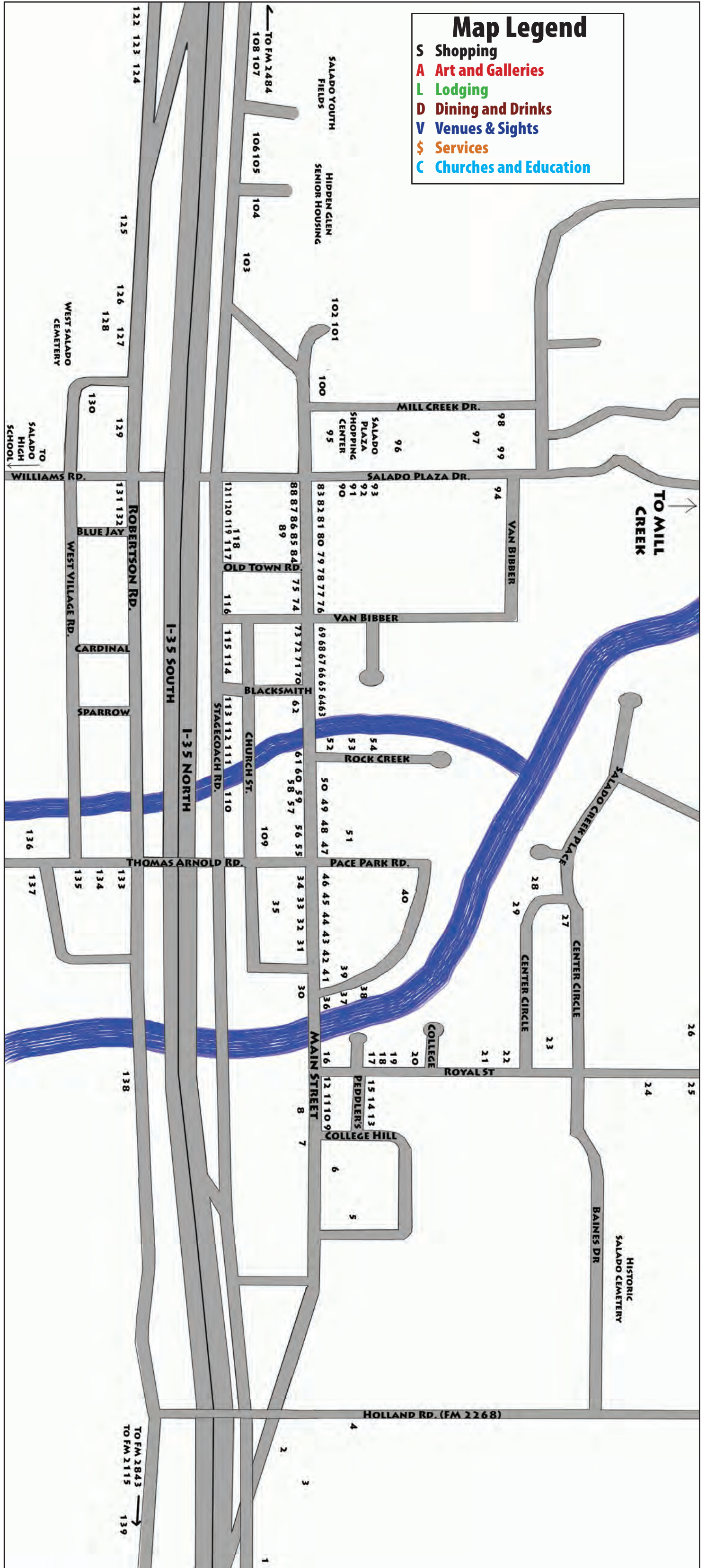
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	254-947-8037	
6	Salado College Park	V
7	Raney & Assoc. Real Estate	\$
	254-913-1215	
8	StageCoach Inn	D
	Shady Villa	L
	254-947-5111	
9	Salado Museum	V
	254-947-5232	
	Salado Visitors Center	\$
	254-947-8634	
	Salado Chamber of Commerce	\$
	254-947-5040	
	Village of Salado Tourism Office	\$
	254-947-8634	
	New Life Methodist Church	C
10	Sofi's	S
	254-947-4336	
11	Chupacabra Craft Beer and Winery	D
	(254) 308-2019	
	Chupacabra Kitchen	D
	(254) 308-2220	
14	Salado Glassworks	A
	254-947-0339	
15	Rio Salado Cocina y Cantina	D
	254-308-2044	
17	Barrow Brewing Co.	D
	254-947-3544	
	Happy Pizza	D
	254-226-1684	
21	The Venue	V
	254-947-5554	
	Village Spa	S
	254-293-6600	
22	The Shed	D
	254-947-1960	
24	Tablerock	V
	254-947-9205	
26	Salado United Methodist Church	C
	254-947-5482	
29	Inn on the Creek	L
	254-947-5554	
	Alexanders Craft Cocktails & Kitchen	D
	254-947-3828	
30	First Baptist Church	C
	254-947-546	
32	First Texas Brokerage	\$
	254-947-5577	
34	First Community Title	\$
	254-947-8480	
36	Woof.salado	S
	254-500-6865	
40	W.A. Pace Memorial Park	V
	254-947-5060	
41	Susan Marie's	S
	254-947-5239	
49	Lively Coffeehouse & Bistro	D
	254-947-3688	
52	Wristy Business	S
	254-899-9218	
56	Salado Creek Jewelry	S
	254-855-5538	
62	The Pizza Place	D
	254-947-0222	
75	Stage Stop Center	\$
	Salado Creek Dental	\$
	254-308-2027	
76	Salado Civic Center	\$
	254-947-5479	
81	Salado Wine Seller and Salado Winery Co.	D
	254-947-8011	
82	St. Joseph's Episcopal Church	C
	254-947-3160	
84	Old Town Salado	\$
	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	C
	254-308-2023	
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	S
	254-947-1063	
	Integrity Rehab	\$
	254-699-3933	
	Salado's Hair Shop	\$
	254-421-5173	
	Salado Village Voice	\$
	254-947-5321	
100	Salado Public Library	C
	254-947-9191	
107	Salado Creek Ministries meets at the Holiday Inn Express	C
113	Salado Church of Christ	C
	254-947-5241	
126	Cowboy's Barbecue	D
	254-947-5700	
130	Village Spirits	S
	254-947-7117	
132	Broecker Funeral Home	\$
	254-947-0066	
134	The Dog Spot	\$
	254-947-3647	
135	Carus Dental	\$
	254-947-8067	
136	Salado Schools & Stadium	C
	Village Church of Salado	C
	972-978-2239	
137	Iron Orchid Bodywork (inside Salado Fitness)	\$
	254-541-5659	
139	Cedar Valley Baptist Church	C
	254-947-0148	
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	3C Cowboy Fellowship	C
	254-947-7211	
	Grace Church	C
	254-947-5917	
	Mill Creek Country Club	V
	254-947-5698	
	JD's Truck Stop and Grill	S/D
	254-947-5228	



## 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 |                                 |

# Schools & Sports



Andrew Gilmore.



Hughston Taggart

## Salado players named to All District Soccer team

Salado Junior Thaddues Heckman was named the District 5-4A Offensive Player of the Year, leading the Eagles to a 12-0 District record, 18-3-3 on the year.

Heckman also earned the Golden Boot Award for his 26 goals in District Play. For the season, Heckman scored 38 goals for Salado.

Heckman also earned the Silver Boot Award for his 14 assists in District Play. For the season, Heckman had 18 assists.

Senior Andrew Gilmore earned the District Midfield MVP award. During the season, Gilmore scored 10 goals and had nine assists.

Hughston Taggart was named the District Goalkeeper of the Year. He recorded nine shut outs in District Play and 11 on the year. Taggart made 86 saves against 100 shots on goals by Salado opponents. Opponents scored only 12 points against Taggart.

Joining Heckman, Gilmore and Taggart on the first team All-District were Jett Luedecke, Brooks Dabney (3 goals, 2 assists), Tyler



Thaddues Heckman. (PHOTOS BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Anderson (7 assists), Luke Anderson (14 goals and 6 assists) and Jackson Husung (1 goal and 3 assists).

Named to the Second Team All-District were Mor-

gan Adams, Oscar Arango and Cody Roquemore.

Receiving Honorable Mention were Owen Stone, Logan White and Jake Rechtfertig.



(PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Angel Van de Plaz gets a Lady Hornet out at first to keep Gatesville scoreless.

## Ladies shut out opponents

Salado Lady Eagles shut out both of their opponents last week to improve to 9-0 in District 23-4A softball and 21-10 on the year.

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Gatesville	0	1	0
Salado	9	14	0

Salado's Bri Waters and Brooke McLaurin combined to allow one hit and shut out the Gatesville Lady Hornets, 9-0, on April 14.

Waters pitched five innings, allowing one hit, walking two and striking out 11 for the win.

McLaurin pitched two innings in relief, striking out five.

Salado scored a run in the second inning. Katey Bartek singled and scored on a two-out triple by Allyson Schauer.

The Lady Eagles scored seven runs in the third inning. Harley Droulliard and Ryley Litchfield singled, both scoring on a homerun by Waters. Giselle Salazar tripled, followed by walks to Bartek and McLaurin to load the bases. Schauer sin-

gled to plate Salazar. Lexi Ducezka doubled to score Bartek and McLaurin. Salazar scored on a single by Droulliard. Litchfield also singled before the final two outs were recorded to end the frame.

With two outs in the bottom of the sixth, Bartek singled and scored on a double by McLaurin for the ninth run.

Litchfield hit 3-for-3 and scored a run to lead the Lady Eagles at the plate.

Four other Lady Eagles had multiple hits. Schauer was 2-for-2 with 2 RBI and a run. McLaurin was 2-for-3 with an RBI. Bartek was 2-for-3 with 3 runs. Droulliard was 2-for-4 with an RBI and a run.

Waters went 1-for-3 with 3 RBI on her homerun.

Ducezka went 1-for-3 with 2 RBI.

Salazar was 1-for-4.

	R	H	E
Salado	2	5	0
Robinson	0	4	0

Lexi Ducezka's two-run homer with two outs in

the top of the fifth lifted the Salado Lady Eagles over the Robinson Lady Rockets, 2-0, on April 11 and secured the District 23-4A softball championship.

Ducezka had three of the Lady Eagles' five hits in the game. She had singles in the first and third inning, and was left stranded both times.

Brooke McLaurin had a single, a stolen base and a run scored for Salado, leading off the fifth with a shot to right field.

Allyson Schauer had a single on a shot to left, and was left stranded on second in the third.

Freshman Raelynn Van Zee had half of the Lady Rockets' four hits with a single in the second and a triple to deep right. Peyton Richarda and Addison Williams also had singles for Robinson.

Schauer got the win for Salado, pitching the entire game. She struck out seven, walked none and allowed four hits.

## Salado HS has one of top filmmaking teams in state

### Superintendent's Corner



by Dr. Michael Novotny

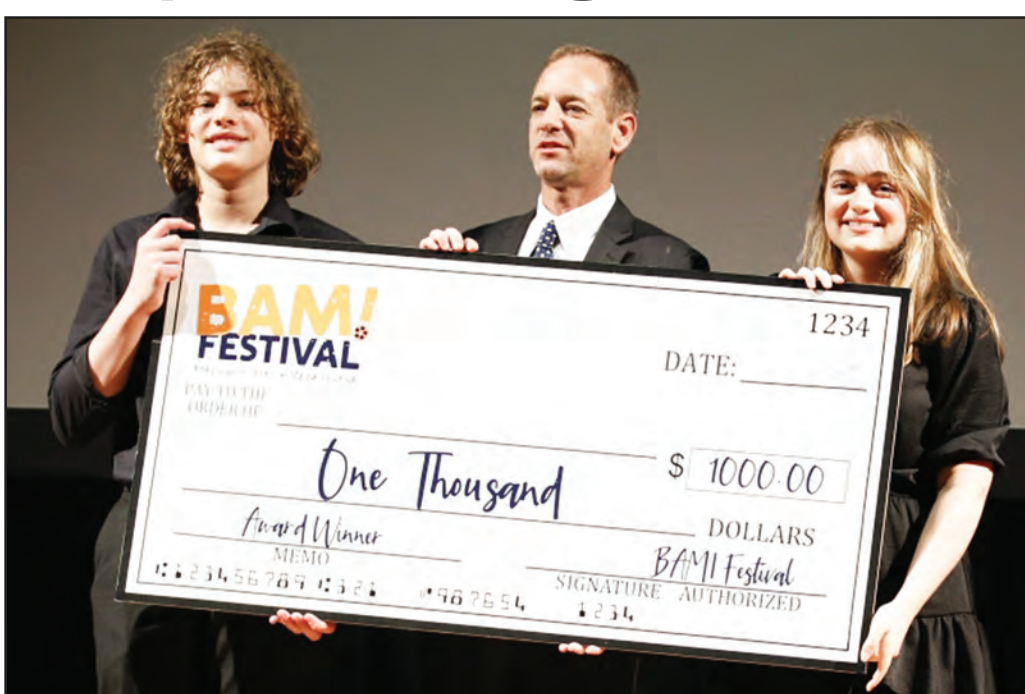
Congratulations to Amanda Sgobbo and Ben Wickert for taking second place and winning \$1,000 at the Brazosport Arts and Media (BAM) Film Festival with their film "Amelia." There were over 2,000 entries from over 90 different countries and 17 Texas finalists competing for scholarships. Amanda and Ben also tied for first place in the "People's Choice Award."

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# Eagles split games with Rockets

Salado Eagles split their District 23-4A baseball games with the Robinson Rockets last week, losing on a wild pitch that allowed Layne Newton to score the go-ahead run in the bottom of the sixth inning.

	R	H	E
Salado	7	7	5
Robinson	8	8	1

Salado dropped their second game against Robinson 8-7 on the road April 14.

Robinson scored two runs in the bottom of the first and another in the third to lead Salado 3-1.

With one out in the second, BJ Amann singled and then advanced when Owen Curtis was hit by the pitcher. He scored on a two-out single by Kase Maedgen, who stole second. Two base runners were left stranded in scoring position.

Salado scored three runs to take the lead in the top of the fourth. Amann led off the inning with a single. After recording two outs, Robinson walked Maedgen. Amann scored on a passed ball and Brody Naegele got a walk. Drew Bird knocked in two runs with a double to deep left, but was left in scoring position.

Logan Flores scored in the top of the fifth after being hit by the pitcher. He stole second and scored on a double to left by Amann. Curtis walked before a double play ended the frame with Amann in scoring position.

Robinson answered with four runs in the fifth, taking advantage of a double, two singles and two errors by the Eagles defense.

Naegele scored in the top of the sixth. He reached base on an error, advanced on a single by Bird and scored on a ground-out by Caden

Strickland. Flores walked and stole second. Runners were left stranded at second and third.

Amann led off the seventh with a walk. Curtis was hit by the pitcher. A passed ball let the runners go to second and third base. Amann scored on a ground-out by Will Messner. Robinson ended the game on a groundout.

Amann led Salado at the plate, going 3-for-3 with an RBI, 3 runs and a walk.

Bird went 2-for-4 with 2 RBI.

Maedgen was 1-for-3 with an RBI and a run. Strickland was 1-for-4 with an RBI.

Strickland was issued the loss on the mound. He pitched 5-1/3 innings, allowing eight hits and eight runs (two earned), while walking one and striking out eight. Payne Lochridge got the final two outs on the mound, allowing no hits or runs to score.

	R	H	E
Robinson	1	3	0
Salado	3	6	1

Robinson Rockets scored a run in the top of the fourth, but Salado Eagles answered with three in the bottom of the frame and held on for a 3-1 win April 11 to remain undefeated in District 23-4A baseball.

The Rockets took advantage of a single and a double to score before Eagle starter Logan Flores mowed down the next two batters.

The Eagles answered with a three-run effort in the bottom of the fourth. Flores led off with a double to left. Lane Heath walked and Owen Curtis singled to plate Flores. BJ Amann singled to score two runners, but was left stranded on third.



Caden Strickland hits a double against Robinson April 11. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)



Will Messner throws to first base. (PHOTOS BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Flores got the win on the mound, allowing only two hits and striking out 14 batters. Robinson scored an earned run against him in his six inning appearance. Caden Strickland closed, striking out two and allowing a hit in the seventh.

Salado had six hits in the game, led by Strickland, who went 2-for-3. Curtis went 1-for-3 with an RBI and a run. Amann went 1-for-3 with an RBI. Heath and Flores each went 1-for-2, scoring a run.

**JV Boys baseball: Page 3D**

# Boys place fifth in District Track

Salado Varsity Boys placed fifth in the District 23-4A Track Meet with 65 team points.

100 Meter Dash: Isaac Pettigrew, fifth place, 11.69.

800 Meter Run: Luke Anderson, first place, 1:58.03, Alex Hauck, fifth place, 2:09.53.

1600 Meter Run: Luke Anderson, second place, Coulson Boyd, third place, 4:44.10, Alex Hauck, sixth

place, 4:59.62.

3200 Meter Run: Luke Anderson, second place, 10:04.13, Coulson Boyd, third place, 10:12.10.

300 Meter Hurdles: Chevy Adkisson, sixth place, 43.87.

4x100 Meter Relay: AJ Fach, Brendan Wilson, Isaac Pettigrew, and Phoenix Flores, sixth place, 44.76.

4x200 Meter Relay: Aj Fach, Andrew Young, Brendan Wilson and Owen Stone, sixth place, 1:33.99.

4x400 Meter Relay: Lucas Beyer, Luke Craig, Luke Drigalla and Owen Stone, fifth place, 3:38.56.

Discus: Owen Crisp, fourth place, 117-10 1/2.

Pole Vault: Kye Hayes, third place, 13-0, Jackson Bragg, fifth place, 11-6, Rocco Purcell, sixth place, 11-0.



Kye Hayes placed third in Pole Vault and qualified for the Area Track Meet. (PHOTO BY TIM FLEISCHER)

Salado JV Boys placed sixth in the District 23-4A JV Track Meet with 63 team points.

100 Meter Dash: Javier Miranda, third place, 12.07.

1600 Meter Run: Brody DeLukie, first place, 4:54.60, Wesley Engleking, sixth place, 5:18.86.

3200 Meter Run: Brody DeLukie, first place, 11:04.79

300 Meter Hurdles: Korbin Konarik, fifth place, 47.44.

4x100 Meter Relay: Brayden Dildine, Dion Thomas, Dusty Rhiddle-

hoover and Korbin Konarik, fifth place. 46.44.

4x200 Meter Relay: Brayden Dildine, Dion Thomas, Javier Miranda and Michael Edmonson, fourth place, 1:39.78.

4x400 Meter Relay: Brayden Dildine, Dusty Rhiddlehoover, Korbin Konarik and Michael Edmonson, sixth place, 4:00.85.

Shot Put: Dusty Rhiddlehoover, first place, 39-8.

Discus: Brooks Mayberry, fifth place, 99-10.

Pole Vault: Luke Bauser, second place, 10-6.

# Lady Eagles place fourth in District 23-4A Meet

Salado Varsity Girls placed fourth in the District 23-4A Track Meet with 101 team points. La Vega won the meet with 159 points.

400 Meter Dash: Penelope Anderson, third place, 1:01.19, Ellie Mescher, sixth place, 1:05.57.

800 Meter Run: Penelope Anderson, first place, 2:22.75, Ellie Mescher, third place, 2:25.21, Ally Ihler, fifth place, 2:29.

1600 Meter Run: Alexa Williams, first, 5:21.68, Cade Harris, third, 5:29.16, Zoie Adcox, fourth, 5:29.19.

3200 Meter Run: Alexa Williams, first place, 11:49.04, Zoie Adcox, third place, 11:54.91, Cade Harris, fourth place, 11:57.38.

300 Meter Hurdles: Macy Morris, fourth place, 49.20.

4x100 Meter Relay: Lexy Wilson, Macy Morris, Paige Fariss and Payton

Ortega, fifth place.

4x200 Meter Relay: Addison King, Elizabeth Markham, Paige Fariss and Riley Guthrie, sixth place, 1:54.32.

4x400 Meter Relay: Addison King, Elizabeth Markham, Ellie Mescher and Penelope Anderson, fourth place, 4:16.83.

Long Jump: Lexy Wilson, fourth place, 4:16.83.

Shot Put: Ariel Cebreco, sixth place, 31-8 1/4.

High Jump: Macy Morris, sixth place, 4-10.

Pole Vault: Meri Fischer, second place, 10-0, Maddie Casper, fourth place, 8-0.

## JV GIRLS 2ND

Salado JV Girls had a three way tie for second with China Spring and Waco Connally in the District 23-4A Track Meet.

200 Meter Dash: Jolee Lindsey, third place, 29.37.

1600 Meter Run: Anna

Redelsheimer, first place, 6:02.02, Katelyn Valdez, second place, 6:17.05, Zimri Lebaron, third place, 6:20.51.

3200 Meter Run: Anna Redelsheimer, first place, 13:12.68, Zimri Lebaron, second place, 13:33.74, Katelyn Valdez, fourth place, 14:09.38.

4x100 Meter Relay: Camille Taylor, Karlee Konarik, Sara Ellis and Serenity Jirasek, fifth place, 54.69.

4x200 Meter Relay: Camille Taylor, Jolee Lindsey, Karlee Konarik and Serenity Jirasek, third place, 1:54.73.

4x400 Meter Relay: Adelaide Shenkir, Camille Taylor, Jolee Lindsey and Serenity Jirasek, first place, 4:34.75.

Triple Jump: Camille Taylor, third place, 29-10 1/2, Karlee Konarik, fourth place, 29-0.



Macy Morris placed fourth in the 300 Meter Hurdles. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

# 7th, 8th grade boys win district track

Salado 8th Grade Boys Track won the JH 8th Grade District 23-4A Track Meet with 191 team points.

2400 Meter Run: Daniel Anderson, first place, 8:25.930, Cash Drigalla, second place, 8:39.518.

4x100 Meter Relay: Hudson Hawkins, Julian Gerena, Landen Noske and SC Inman, second place, 47.910.

800 Meter Run: Calyn Brazzil, first place, 2:16.035.

110 Meter Hurdles: Max Gist, fourth place, 19.745.

100 Meter Dash: Dylan Jimenez, second place, 12.088.

4x200 Meter Relay: Daniel Hernandez, Dylan Jimenez, Landen Noske and SC Inman, second place, 1:41.699.

400 Meter Dash: Julian Gerena, second place, 55.852, Hudson Hawkins, fourth place, 57.153.

300 Meter Hurdles: Max Gist, first place, 46.792, Calyn Brazzil, second place, 49.778.

200 Meter Dash: Dylan Jimenez, second place, 25.034.

Landen Noske, fifth place, 25.639.

1600 Meter Run: Daniel Anderson, first place, 4:50.300, Cash Drigalla, fourth place, 5:35.520.

4x400 Meter Relay: Daniel Anderson, Hudson Hawkins, Julian Gerena and Max Gist, first place, 3:45.870.

Long Jump: Landen Noske, fourth place, 17-10.

Shot Put: Landen Noske, second place, 42-6, Daniel Hernandez, fifth place, 37-11, Sam Fuller, sixth place, 37-10.

Discus: Angel Soto, third place, 113-2, Joaquin Vega-hauser, sixth place, 100-6.

Triple Jump: Julian Gerena, second place, 38-0 3/4.

High Jump: Max Gist, first place, 5-4, Julian Gerena, fourth place, 5-4.

Pole Vault: Hays Ramsey, fifth place, 8-0.

Salado 7th Grade Boys Track team won the 7th Grade JH Boys District Track Meet April 11 with a total of 199.666

team points, China Spring placed second with 133 points.

2400 Meter Run: Seth Anderson, first place, 7:40.185.

4x100 Meter Relay: Chase Hodge, Chase Adams, Cooper Lepsis and Zack Adcox, fourth place, 52.569.

800 Meter Run: Ayden McHenry, second place, 2:28.428, Ethan Shannon, fourth place, 2:29.255.

110 Meter Hurdles: Ryder Balmos, second place, 20.18, Chase Adams, sixth place, 21.254.

100 Meter Dash: Cooper Lepsis, third place, 13.039.

4x200 Meter Relay: Brodie Schiller, Cooper Lepsis, Griffin Self, Owen Gunter, first place, 1:44.295.

400 Meter Dash: Brodie Schiller, first place, 58.955, Ethan Shannon, sixth place, 1:02.925.

300 Meter Hurdles: Ryder Balmos, first place, 49.104, Chase Adams, sixth place, 53.349.

200 Meter Dash: Owen

Gunter, third place, 26.219, Griffin Self, fifth place, 26.734.

1600 Meter Run: Seth Anderson, first place, 4:53.503.

4x400 Meter Relay: Brodie Schiller, Griffin Self, Owen Gunter, Ryder Balmos, first place, 3:57.710.

Long Jump: Griffin Self, fourth place, 16-9, Brodie Schiller, sixth place, 16-16.

Shot Put: Owen Gunter, first place, 40-5 1/2, Ulises Soto, second place, 36-7, Jesus Medrano, sixth place, 32-8.

Discus: Owen Gunter, second place, 102-11, Ulises Soto, third place, 100-9.

Triple Jump: Brodie Schiller, second place, 33-11.

High Jump: Griffin Self, third place, 4-10, Cooper Lepsis, fourth place, 4-8, Wyatt Tipping, fourth place, 4-8.

Pole Vault: Case Hodge, second place, 7-6, Easton Bullcock, third place, 7-6, Otto Sitz, fourth place, 7-0.

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# Salado JH girls win both divisions of district track

Salado 8th Grade Girls Track team won the 8th Grade JH Girls Track Meet April 11 with 187 team points. Robinson placed second with 127 points.

2400 Meter Run: Avery Hibner, fifth place, 10:30.579.

4x100 Meter Relay: Addison Kincaid, Aubree Zammatt, Katie Ellithorp and Kaylee Bragg, second place, 53.352.

800 Meter Run: Sydney Engleking, first place, 2:32.030, Avery Hibner, sixth place, 2:54.340.

100 Meter Hurdles: Addison Kincaid, second place, 17.731, Storie Ryals, fifth place, 18.873.

100 Meter Dash: Katie Ellithorp, third place, 13.698, Aubree Zammatt, fourth place, 13.728, Kaitlyn Weber, fifth place, 14.004.

4x200 Meter Relay: Aubree Zammatt, Katie Ellithorp, Kaylee Bragg and Mazzy Johnson, first place, 1:54.786.

400 Meter Dash: Adyson Postell, fifth place, 1:10.559.

300 Meter Hurdles: Kaylee Bragg, first place, 51.255.

200 Meter Dash: Mazzy Johnson, first place, 27.599.

1600 Meter Run: Sydney Engleking, first place, 5:43.505, Addy McCain, sixth place, 6:26.810.

4x400 Meter Relay: Addison Kincaid, Adyson Postell, Mazzy Johnson and Sydney Engleking, first place, 4:33.786.

Long Jump: Addison Kincaid, first place 14-8, Mazzy Johnson, second place, 14-1, Katie Ellithorp, sixth place, 13-9 1/2.

Shot Put: Amira Amani, fourth place, 30-8 1/2.

Triple Jump: Katie Ellithorp, first place, 31-9 1/2, Brylee Craddick, second place, 31-5, Aubree Zammatt, sixth place, 29-3 3/4.

High Jump: Kaylee Bragg, first place, 5-0.

Pole Vault: Kaylee Bragg, first place, 7-6, Reese Guthrie, sixth place, 6-0.

Salado 7th Grade Girls Track team won the 7th Grade JH Girls District Track Meet April 11 with 282.5 team points. La Vega placed second with 98.5 points.

2400 Meter Run: McCall Boyd, first place, 9:00.826, Hayden Griesemer, second place, 9:27.665, Payton Hill, third place, 10:40.696.

4x100 Meter Relay: Brylie Metz, Kendall Trautmann, Presly Ortega and Zoe Dodge, second place, 55.211.

800 Meter Run: Annalee Bryant, first place 2:32.226, Hayden Griesemer, second place, 2:43.029, Blake Matthews, 2:54.061, sixth place.

100 Meter Hurdles: Brylie Metz, first place, 19.379, Sophia Patton, third place, 20.077.

100 Meter Dash: Emma Harrell, second place, 13.495, Kendall Trautmann, third

4x200 Meter Relay: Emma Harrell, Kendall Trautmann, Presly Ortega and Zoe Dodge, second place, 1:59.101.

400 Meter Dash: Annalee Bryant, first place, 1:03.674, Blake Matthews, second place, 1:10.110, Brylynn Beavers, third place, 1:10.144.

300 Meter Hurdles: Katie Rich, second place, 56.683, Sophia Patton, third place, 56.709.

1600 Meter Run: McCall Boyd, first place, 5:41.354, Anna Ponder, second place, 6:41.961, Payton Hill, third place, 6:42.737.

4x400 Meter Relay: Annalee Bryant, Emma Harrell, Hayden Griesemer and McCall Boyd, first place, 4:30.520.

Long Jump: Zoe Dodge, third place, 13-7 1/2, Renlee Rakowitz, fifth place, 12-9 1/2.

Shot Put: Zoe Dodge, fourth place, 29- 5 1/2.

Discus: Renlee Rakowitz, second place, 69-11, Paisley Rine, third place, 63-4, Emma Oglesby, fourth place, 63-2.

Triple Jump: Presly Ortega, first place, 29-6, Ali Uranga, fifth place, 27-1 1/2.

High Jump: Brylynn Beavers, first place, 4-2, Kendall Trautmann, second place, 4-0, Eva McLaren, fifth place, 3-10.

Pole Vault: Kendall Trautmann, first place, 7-6, Annalee Bryant, third place, 7-6, Blake Matthews, fourth place, 5-6.

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# SISD candidates address school safety, preparedness, support of staff, administration

Four candidates have filed for three three-year terms on the Salado Independent School District Board of Trustees for the May 6 general election. They appear on the ballot in this order: Savannah Hennig, Kimberly Redelsheimer, David Matthews and Eric Malmin.

This week, *Salado Village Voice* asked the candidates the following questions. Their answers appear in the order that they appear on the ballot.

**Question 1:** Does Salado ISD provide a safe environment for the children and staff members on its campuses? What efforts would you support to improve student and staff safety? (200 words)

**Question 2:** Does Salado ISD prepare all of its students for life beyond the end of their public education? What programs, initiatives and curriculum would you support to improve this area? (150 words)

**Question 3:** Does Salado ISD support staff and teachers? Does it do a good job of attracting, retaining and promoting quality teachers and other staff? What can be done to further improve this? (150 words)

**Question 4:** Do you support the current administration of Salado ISD? In what area is the SISD Administration strongest? In what area is the SISD Administration weakest? What is the role of the board of trustees in its relation to the administration? (200 words)



**SAVANNAH HENNIG**

**Question 1:** My own child attends Salado ISD, and I would not have him enrolled if I believed Salado ISD was an unsafe environment. Salado ISD has made many external safety improvements in recent years to include updated cameras in quality and quantity, updated fencing, verifying external doors remain closed and locked, additional School Resource Officers so that we have one at each campus, the School Marshall program, and most recently the board approved uniform key entry, electronic badge access, and Salado ISD's own police department. However, safety is not only external. Internally, the district has seen an increase in students presenting behavior issues, and that also has an impact on student and staff safety. Salado ISD has a part-time mental health counselor, and I would support having one full-time. The district has added a behavior room for students that need to be removed from a classroom, and I support additional and adequate staffing to meet the behavioral needs of students. I support appropriate training for our staff on mitigating behavior issues as well as policies, procedures, and fine-tuned processes for managing behavior and removing students from the general classroom as warranted and allowed by state and federal law.

**Question 2:** Salado ISD received an accountability rating of "A" last year for College, Career, and Military Readiness and does well in preparing students for life after high school. In preparation for college, the district offers four different ways to earn college credit in high school to include dual credit courses through Temple College, Advanced Placement courses, an associate degree program through Texas Bioscience Institute, as well as On-Ramps through UT Austin. The district has also been adding vocational programs to the high school as interest, space, and budget allows. The district offers courses in Family Consumer Science, a variety of Ag Sciences, Computer Science and Business. The district has Health Sciences where students can earn Phlebotomy or Pharmacy certifications. I support adding additional vocational programs as our student enrollment grows and our capacity to house programs increases to include more variety in business classes, JROTC, cosmetology, photography, culinary arts, etc.

**Question 3:** Salado ISD is fortunate to have been fully staffed this school year while many other districts in Bell County and across Texas have not been. The district works to keep qualified teachers in positions they want to be in while also promoting qualified staff as positions open. While Salado ISD does offer a competitive salary for our size district, supporting staff and teachers is more than "just the money." Salado ISD has historically attracted staff from higher paying districts because of the environment we offer within the walls of our schools. We must maintain a friendly, close-knit, supporting environment for our teachers and staff. We must listen to our staff about needs within the schools. We must prioritize our budget to not only pay our staff/teachers well, but to provide our teachers with the support that they need to do their jobs effectively.

**Question 4:** I support our campus and central administration, because I have seen how hard they work with each other toward the common goal of doing what is best for our students and staff. I recognize that support does not always mean agreement, and when that occurs, I lean into question asking, information gathering, and productive conversation.

A big challenge administration faces is growth, and while we are growing very quickly, we are still a smaller district, and our administration must wear many hats. We do not have a big central office, and campus and central administration carry a lot of additional job titles. While I don't necessarily view that as a weakness, it is a challenge. Administration possesses several strengths that include brainstorming solutions to issues that arise, knowledge on state and federal school law, and how hard each individual works toward district goals.

In relation to administration, a school board governs the district while administration manages the day to day operations within the framework of policies and priorities the board adopts. A school board's responsibility

ties include adopting goals, reviewing and adopting policies, hiring and evaluating the superintendent, adopting a budget and setting the tax rate, and communicating with the community.



**KIMBERLY REDELSHEIMER**

**Question 1:** I think that SISD is currently doing the best it can to provide a safe environment for students and staff members on all campuses. The new SISD Police Force and the School Marshall Program are tangible efforts to provide a safe environment. I think SISD is facing two significant challenges in providing a safe environment: lack of adequate space, and maintaining a sufficient amount of teachers, aides, and substitutes. Recently, TAE has had an increase in behavioral/discipline issues. These incidents affect all students and staff. Resolving behavioral situations can be difficult and complex. Having adequate space to isolate unsafe behavior is critical, as well as having staff trained to handle difficult situations. Clear communication with parents is essential to resolving behavior issues. I hope that SISD can continue to use the resources they currently have (counselors, teachers, higher staff to student ratios), as well as expand resources such as a more developed intervention plan, social workers, additional staff, and more space. I hope that SISD will not have to use any portable classrooms in the future. I see portables as not only less safe but also not supportive of a seamless community atmosphere.

**Question 2:** SISD prepares its students exceptionally well for life after high school. The SISD graduation rate, along with college and scholarship offers our students receive is evidence of this. The Ag courses and FFA program are vital to developing future leaders in these areas and beyond. Enlistment in military service and enrolling in pre-professional programs (healthcare, welding, construction, etc.) are other avenues which SHS graduates excel at after high school. SHS offers Dual Credit, AP courses, and On-ramps courses which offer students the option to earn college credit while still in High School. Additional foreign language options (currently Spanish is the only language offered) would help give students more choices and help students understand other cultures. More vocational courses would augment the course offering at SHS. Many high schools are focusing on developing robust Career and Technical Education Programs, and I think SHS should consider expanding resources in this area.

**Question 3:** From my perspective, SISD fully supports staff and teachers. But, I am not staff or a SISD teacher! In order to answer this question, I asked several teachers and staff how

they would answer this question. Overwhelmingly they stated that they felt unwavering support and involvement from their principal. Teachers and staff described to me a culture of caring, attentiveness, and involvement. In terms of attracting, retaining, and promoting teachers/staff, increases in pay and more resources for continuing education are key. Excellent teachers will continue to be in high demand and SISD needs to plan for an increasingly competitive job market. Several local ISDs have changed to a 4-day school week to give teachers better work-life balance. Pay scales for substitutes and aides should be evaluated. The ratio of administrative positions to teachers should be examined.

**Question 4:** I support the current administration and the goals SISD is trying to achieve. My experience with SISD administration as a parent has been helpful, efficient, clear, and cooperative. I have attended several SISD Board Meetings and found them to be organized and efficient. There is a large number of SISD teachers, principals (all 4 of them), and administrators who are also currently SISD school parents. This is an indicator that our staff believes in the quality of the SISD school system. An area where I think the Board can improve

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# SISD hopefuls on safety

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is transparent follow-up to concerns raised at the meetings. As the meetings potentially reach a wider audience via livestreaming, it's essential that there is a tangible response to all concerns raised. The SISD School Board should simultaneously support and challenge the administration. Collaboration is crucial to develop the best solutions for the challenges SISD encounters. Opening new avenues of communication directly between teachers and the SISD board would increase awareness of teacher concerns. An effective school board facilitates clear communication and accountability between all of the stakeholders in

the ISD, in order to provide the best education possible for all students.



DAVID MATTHEWS

**Question 1:** Salado ISD does a wonderful job on safety. Due to recent tragic school events, it is important to keep school safety a top priority. It is imperative that we learn from others,

continue to research safety strategies, and support the staff to ensure the safest schools we can offer. SISD has a Safety and Security Committee that meets once per month to go over any concerns and ideas on how to improve safety. SISD now has their own police force and I have a lot of faith that Chief McHone has been a great addition to the district and our safety goals. Based on my experience as a dad of a SISD student, one area of concern is pick up procedures, such as flow of traffic and family identification. I would support the Safety and Security Committee's efforts while also supporting any additional training that is important to reach our goals.

**Question 2:** Salado has amazing teachers that help support our kids in their educational growth through high school. SISD has a very wide variety of courses that are built for each student's growth and abilities whether they are going to a university, or a vocational-technical college, or starting their career after high school. SISD can handle all those needs with honors classes, college transition courses, and even livestock production courses. I believe our kids will be well-prepared for a prosperous future thanks to our teachers and staff. If SISD grows like we all know it will, suggestions for additional course offerings in the future could be

courses like HVAC, plumbing, cosmetology, electrical, etc.. We hope to be able to upgrade our classrooms in the area of technology.

**Question 3:** We are fortunate to live in a community that supports SISD students and staff. We need to recognize and retain those teachers that have been loyal in order to avoid losing quality teachers to higher paying districts. It's important to share the success of our schools so that we attract teachers and staff looking for the supportive environment we offer. With innovative technology, such as websites and video conferencing, in addition to job fairs, we can widen our search pool. It's important to establish communications with Universities and Technical schools to recruit the best new teachers for SISD. These ideas and more will be important due to the increased number of families moving into our community. This needs to be a priority of SISD for the continued success of our students.

**Question 4:** I support the current administration and believe in unity. I think one of the administration's strengths is the daily communication with the community. If selected as school board trustee I will learn more about our weakness and strengths. I know that our teachers and staff work very hard to make sure all our kids get the best education possible. The role of a trustee involves adopting goals, budgets, priorities, and policies, monitoring their success or failure, hiring and evaluating the superintendent, and listening to the community.

ing over-prepared when it comes to the safety and security of our children.

**Question 2:** Over the past 12 years the graduation rate for Salado ISD has been 99.4%. Approximately 70% of Salado graduates enroll in a four year college or university and approximately 10-15% enroll in a two year college or trade school. This clearly indicates that Salado ISD has a long history of successfully preparing students to continue their academic career in the postsecondary setting. Salado ISD currently offers several Career and Technical Education (CTE) courses for students who choose to pursue a future outside of the educational system. I believe this is an invaluable resource for our students and also an area of great potential growth for our district. CTE courses can provide students with opportunities to learn practical skills and earn certifications that allow them to immediately enter the workforce and impact their community. If elected I would support efforts to expand CTE opportunities for students at Salado ISD.

**Question 3:** Salado ISD is fortunate to have some of the most outstanding teachers across all of our campuses and grade levels. I recognize that their job is not easy, especially these past few years, and I truly admire and appreciate their dedication to our students. While I will always support higher pay, I do believe there are additional ways that we can better support our teachers. The role of the paraprofessional is vital for the success of our students and teachers. We need to increase pay for paraprofessionals so that we can fully staff these positions and get the teachers and administrators the support they desperately need. Similarly, we must increase the pay for substitute teachers. All too often teachers must take on additional students from other classes due to the inability to find a substitute teacher. This leads to classroom overcrowding and increased workloads for our teachers.



ERIC MALMIN

**Question 1:** The safety and security of our students and teachers is a top priority. The current administration and trustees have made excellent investments in the safety of our schools including adding vestibules at entrances, electronic key card access and some perimeter fencing. They have also approved the Marshal program as well as an autonomous SISD police department.

There continues to be areas for improvement, specifically at the high school and elementary school campuses. These campuses are more challenging due to the age of some of the buildings, the higher number of students in a more confined space and the fact that students at both campuses must often leave the building in order to travel to their next class.

If elected I would support continued high level crisis management and emergency training for all staff as well as practical exercises and training beyond the minimal requirements for all campus marshals and police officers. I would support risk analyses from experts in the field of security to assist in identifying weak points at our campuses and developing action plans to address their findings.

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**Question 4:** I have had the privilege of meeting and talking with the campus administrators at all three of our campuses. They all speak with great passion and excitement when talking about their teachers and students and it is obvious that each of them cares deeply for their school and everyone in it. I believe at the campus level our administration's greatest strength has been mastering the art of doing more with less. The unique challenges that our principals face at each campus require a high level of creativity and flexibility in order to meet the needs of their students and staff.

At the higher level, I believe that our administration should continue to work on open communication and exploring new avenues to provide transparency to parents and community members in order to foster a partnership built on trust and confidence.

The board of trustees is responsible for hiring and evaluating the superintendent. The superintendent manages the district but must do so within the framework established by the board of trustees. The board provides oversight of education and makes decisions on policy based on the community's priorities, values and expectations.

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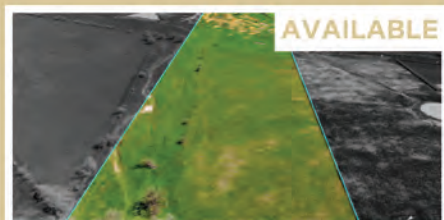
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# JV White beats Robinson squad, JV Red falls to Robinson boys

	R	H	E
JV Red	5	5	3
Robinson	6	1	3

Despite scoring five runs in the second and outlasting Robinson JV five-to-one, the Salado JV Red fell 6-5 in the district game on the road April 14.

Jeb Hercules led off the second with a walk. A single by Noah Stephens put runners at the corners. Stephens stole second and Hercules scored on the throw to second. An error allowed Stephens to go to third. After a strikeout by Ethan Robledo, Cord Ramsey walked and stole second. Bryton Massar walked to load the bases. Hudson Rossenbom reached on a fielder's choice that put Massar out at second and allowed Ramsey to score the third run of the inning. Brendan Wilson tripped to deep right, knocking in Rossenbom and scoring on the attempted throw to home. A groundout ended the frame.

Salado had a chance to add runs in the fourth. With one out, Massar doubled to left and advanced on a passed ball. Wilson walked and stole base before Robinson got a strike-out and a groundout for the final two outs.

Robinson scored two runs in the second, on a single and back to back errors. They scored two more in the third on three walks and a batter hit by the pitcher.

The Rockets scored two more runs in the fourth, taking advantage of a hit batter, two walks and an error.

Hercules, Stephens, Massar, Rosenbaun and Wilson all had a hit in the game. Wilson added 2 RBI and a run. Rosenbaun added an RBI and a run. Hercules and Stephens each added a run.

Robledo pitched three innings and was issued the loss for Salado, allowing one hit and six runs (two earned), while walking six and striking out three. Jace Light closed the game, with a strikeout and a walk.

	R	H	E
Robinson	9	8	1
JV Red	0	2	4

Robinson JV pelted Salado JV Red for eight hits and nine runs April 11 to win 9-0.

The JV Rockets scored a run in the first, two in the fourth and six in the fifth.

Jace Light got both hits for Salado, going 2-for-3.

Bryton Massar pitched three innings and got the loss for Salado. He allowed one run, striking out two and walking seven.

Cord Ramsey allowed four hits and five runs in one inning, including three earned runs.

Light allowed four hits and three runs, one of them earned in two innings. He struck out two.

	R	H	E
JV White	6	12	2
Robinson	1	7	2

Salado JV White Eagles beat their counterparts from Robinson 6-1 in the first of their doubleheader April 12.

Robinson scored a run in the bottom of the second for a short lead.

The Eagles responded with three runs in the third and three in the fourth.

Mason Olsen led off the third with a double to right field. He scored on a single to the opposite field by Luke Bingham. Bingham scored on a single to right by Cash Adams. An error to Hudson Rosenbaun loaded the bases. A walk to Cash Robinson scored Adams.

Chance Carlson got a single with one out in the fourth. With two outs, Olsen and Bingham singled to load the bases. An error allowed Adams to reach and Carlson to score. Trey Waters singled to deep left to plate Olson and Bingham before the final out was recorded.

The Eagles had 12 hits in the game. Bingham led the boys, going 3-for-3 with an RBI and 2 runs. Waters followed, going 2-for-3 with 2 RBI. Olson was 2-for-3 with 2 runs and a double.

Also getting hits were Adams, 1-for-3, an RBI and a run; Robinson, 1-for-2, RBI; Brooks Mayberry, 1-for-3, a double; Carlson, 1-for-3, a run and Rosenbaun, 1-for-3.

Carlson got the win on the mound for Salado. He pitched four innings, allowing seven hits and two earned runs. He walked three and struck out six.

Collin Strickland pitched in relief, striking out one.

	R	H	E
JV White	4	3	2
Robinson	3	2	4

Salado JV White Eagles beat Robinson 4-3 in the

second of their double header series April 12.

With one out in the first, Luke Bingham and Cash Adams reached on errors and scored on a triple to deep left by Trey Waters.

Brent Mayberry led off the second with a walk. With two outs in the inning, Collin Strickland singled and errors allowed both runners to score.


Salado had three hits with Waters's two-run triple leading the team.

Adams and Strickland both had singles and scored a run.

Cash Adams got the win for Salado, allowing two hits and three runs. He walked three and struck out 10 in four innings of work. Mayberry struck out two and walked two as the closer.



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04/15	, BLTN, TX	Dispatched & cancelled en route
04/15	LAUREL HIGHLANDS DR, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
04/15	SULPHUR WELLS RD, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
04/15	ROYAL ST, Bell	Motor vehicle accident with injuries

## Texas Senate boosts funding for universities, mental health

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The Senate this week passed two bills that will put billions more towards certain state university systems and the state's mental healthcare systems. The first would create a new endowment to serve schools outside of the state's Permanent University Fund. That's the

endowment that contributes billions each biennium to the University of Texas and Texas A&M systems, fueled by a 150-year-old grant of west Texas land from the state legislature. Only those two systems benefit from the PUF, and as other universities grow, the need for an additional endowment serving the state's other university research programs

has grown as well. SB 19, by Finance Committee chair and Houston Senator Joan Huffman, would put about \$4.3 billion in state dollars into a new Texas University Fund. While any system that meets the qualifications, which are tied number of projects completed and doctorates awarded, can bene-

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fit, right now only four do. These are the University of North Texas, the University of Houston, Texas State University, and Texas Tech University. State higher education officials estimate the initial biennial payout from the new endowment to be around \$240 million, and the University of Houston and Texas Tech will each get a third of those dollars, with UNT and Texas State splitting the last third. "I know this is a significant investment in higher ed institutions in Texas, but the state must continue to support institutions that do not

have alternative sources of revenue to further achieve national prominence as major research universities," said Huffman. Later, the Senate gave unanimous approval to a bill to bolster the state's mental healthcare infrastructure with \$3.4 billion new dollars across dozens of state agencies. SB 26, by Health and Human Services Committee chair and Brenham Senator Lois Kolkhorst, works with the draft budget to expand capacity at Texas state hospitals, which Kolkhorst says are short about 2,500 beds. Almost all of that need is

for what are called forensic beds, which serve patients in the criminal justice system. Right now, most of those patients are held in local jails. "I think this is a civil rights issue," said Kolkhorst. "You shouldn't be waiting in jail to have your mental competency restored to wait to go to trial". The Senate plan would expand capacity by just under 1,000 beds, at least half of which must be forensic. Not all of the shortages are due to infrastructure capacity - Kolkhorst said that another 600 beds in Texas are empty because of staffing

shortages. Under the Senate budget, staff at state hospitals will receive a pay raise of almost 40 percent. The bill directs construction of new facilities across the state but most new construction will be located in underserved west Texas, with new state hospitals slated for Amarillo, Big Spring, Lubbock, and Midland, among other places, with many existing facilities getting more beds or other refurbishments. Serving these rural areas is a major priority of Lt. Governor Dan Patrick, who learned just how severe the mental

healthcare shortage is in the more sparsely populated regions of the state. "We do not have enough beds to meet the need," said Patrick. He called the Senate plan "the biggest package for mental health care ever designed" in America. Also this week, the Senate approved a bill that would give state and local peace officers authority to arrest people who enter Texas from Mexico illegally. State officers can't enforce federal immigration policy, so SB 2424 by Granbury Senator Brian Birdwell, would create a

new, state-level trespassing offense for illegally entering the state from a foreign nation. This would only be a class A misdemeanor for a first offense, but subsequent offenses can push penalties up to a second degree felony. Birdwell said he hopes that once word gets out that crossing the border in Texas can land you in a state jail, migrants will move west. "You want to come into the country illegally, go through New Mexico, Arizona, or California," he said. The Senate reconvened Monday April 17 at 11 a.m.



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