

CUWCD airs concerns about WWTP discharge permit

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District has submitted comments of concern regarding a proposed Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0016294001 (EPA I.D. No. TX0144169) by Mustang Springs Utility, LLC and Mor-Maur Mustang, LLC.

CUWCD general manager announced those concerns in a release dated June 19.

The permit application for a wastewater treatment plant with a discharge not

to exceed a daily average of 928,000 gallons per day. The discharge route will be from the plant site to an unnamed tributary, thence to Buttermilk Creek, thence to Salado Creek.

CUWCD general manager stated that he recently became aware of the application and alerted the District's Board of Directors.

"It is inherent to our mission of conservation, management, and protection that private property rights and protection of threatened species and their critical habitats in certain local springs within the District's jurisdiction be considered," Aaron said.

CUWCD has provided formal comments, shared its scientific data and expressed concerns regarding the proposed permit. Michael Keester, PG, presented to CUWCD Directors at their June 13 meeting his technical review of the application and the proposed permit. He highlighted concerns regarding the location and effect of the proposed discharge on co-located springs and included photographs demonstrating the specific geologic features along the proposed effluent path giving rise to those concerns.

In a public comment letter

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BoA approves roadwork bid, municipal building design

By TIM FLEISCHER
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Salado aldermen on June 15 approved the low bid of \$150,000 by Lone Star Grading and Materials for reconstruction of Salado School Rd. from West Village Rd. to the school's bus barn. Aldermen also approved the design of a new village municipal building to be built on the county annex property on Event Dr. and FM 2484.

The board unanimously

approved Lone Star Grading and Materials' low bid on a motion by alderman Paul Cox receiving a second from alderman Bert Henry. The village received three bids on the project: Lone Star Grading and Materials, \$150,000; JDR Excavation, LLC, \$176,529.30 and Westar Construction, Inc., \$233,792.50.

Work on the project is expected to be completed by mid-September, according to village administration Don

Ferguson, who added that he is in communication with the school district to coordinate traffic on the street when school reopen in August.

Ferguson said that off-street parking will be prohibited on portions of Salado School Rd., but that a plan would be put in place to allow off-street parking at the soccer practice fields.

Aldermen also approved plans for the construction of a

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Jim Mikel demonstrates a drone that will be used in Drone Soccer, a new league which will launch this year with a local area team. He is registering students on Thursdays and Fridays for the new Drone Soccer league and providing demonstrations and guidance on what to expect from the sport that launched in Korea in 2016, made its way into France and now into the United States. Drone Soccer incorporates imagination and STEM skills. It is played similarly to Quidditch from Harry Potter, but with small drones that form teams of either five against five or three against three. For more information, find his ad on page 2C this edition. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

SISD budget hearing slated June 28

By TIM FLEISCHER
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Salado ISD Trustees will hold a public meeting and hearing at 6 p.m. June 28 at the Salado Civic Center to discuss the proposed 2023-24 budget and tax rate.

Trustees are considering a budget with total revenues of \$32.6 million and total expenditures of \$27.1 million for a surplus of more than \$5 million (in the debt service fund).

The budget for the General Operating Fund (M&O) totals \$22.18 million in revenues and expenditures. The budget calls for \$16.4 million in local revenues, \$5.7 million in state revenues and \$166,931 in federal revenues, based upon an enrollment projection of 2,454. The 2022-23 budget was based upon an enrollment project of 2,384. The May 2023 enrollment was 2,295.

M&O expenditures total \$22.2 million in the 2023-24 budget, an increase of almost half a million over the 2022-23 M&O expenditures of \$21.7 million.

Most of the increase (almost \$400,000) is in Instruction. Instructional Leadership is increased by more than \$100,000. Co-curriculum/extra-curricular is decreased from \$1.6 million to \$1.45 million. Security monitoring is increased to \$278,949 for the formation of the Salado ISD Police Department.

Food Services totals \$886,543 in revenues and \$872,256 in expenses. Of that, the district will receive \$447,760 in federal funds, \$28,783 in state funds and \$410,000 in local funds.

The Debt Service budget will total \$9.5 million in

revenues from the \$0.50 per \$100 valuation I&S property tax. Debt service expenditures total \$4 million for a surplus debt service budget of almost \$5.5 million. Of the \$4 million in debt service expenditures, \$2.3 million is for debt service interest and \$1.7 million is for debt service principal.

The proposed tax rate is \$1.2746 per \$100 valuation, with \$0.7746 for M&O and \$0.50 for I&S. While the rate itself is lower than the current tax rate of \$1.3546, it will increase the taxes due for an average residence by \$459.

The average market value of a residence in Salado is \$557,696 compared to \$464,716 last year. The average taxable value of a residence is \$394,336 compared to \$337,144 last year. The Salado ISD property tax due on an average residence is \$5,026 for the proposed tax rate of \$.12746. Property taxes due on an average residence for 2022-23 was \$4,566 at the \$1.3546 tax rate.

Salado ISD saw the total appraised values of all properties increase from \$2.7 billion to \$3.8 billion. Of that, about \$167 million is in new property. The total taxable value of all property in Salado ISD is \$2.1 billion, compared to \$1.6 billion last year.

If approved, the 2023-24 budget estimates that the district will end the 2023-24 school year with \$55.4 million in bonded indebtedness. The M&O Fund Balance is estimated at \$4.3 million. The I&S Fund Balance is estimated at \$11.2 million.

Salado ISD Budget Prior Years Comparison

BUDGET BY FUNCTION	Adopted 2021-2022	Final Amended 2021-2022	Adopted 2022-2023	Proposed 2023-2024
Total Tax Rate	\$1.3720	\$1.3720	\$1.3546	\$1.2746
M&O Rate/I&S Rate	\$0.8720/\$0.50	\$0.8720/\$0.50	\$0.8546/\$0.50	\$0.7469/\$0.50
Total Enrollment	2245		2384	
GENERAL OPERATING MAINTENANCE & OPERATION				
Revenue				
Local	9,764,507	11,255,400	13,578,743	16,359,562
State	9,847,926	8,415,912	7,880,191	5,652,974
Federal	60,957	134,480	198,268	166,931
Total Revenue	19,673,390	19,805,792	21,657,202	22,179,467
Expenditures				
Instruction	10,860,330	11,258,636	11,938,465	12,341,039
Instruction Resources	211,872	231,520	219,474	221,300
Curriculum & Staff Dev.	116,400	99,633	112,810	106,342
Instructional Leadership	279,174	308,689	298,709	409,442
School Leadership	960,367	982,877	1,008,971	1,056,132
Guidance/Counseling	574,671	661,025	721,522	751,060
Social Services	25,905	25,905	26,423	30,808
Health Services	170,229	165,835	158,245	180,929
Student Transportation	912,485	910,596	1,199,157	1,209,081
Co-Extra-Curricular	1,374,089	1,404,016	1,620,002	1,449,100
General Administration	678,217	774,609	705,724	686,652
Plant Maint/Operation	2,057,545	2,260,076	2,143,800	2,142,183
Security Monitoring	63,085	77,006	75,145	278,949
Data Processing	604,560	659,457	718,587	
Debt Service	237,257	391,168	348,081	
Facilities Acquisition/Const.	142,048	948,774	133,810	40,000
Payments to Fiscal Agents	45,000	44,964	45,000	45,000
Payments to other Gov'ts.	163,433	170,996	183,277	152,986
Expenditure Total	19,563,902	21,375,782	21,657,202	22,179,467
Operating Transfers out	(109,488)			
Change in Fund Balance	0	(1,569,990)	0	0
FOOD SERVICES				
Revenue				
Local	245,750	107,694	245,750	410,000
State	22,659	26,424	28,012	28,783
Federal	255,066	1,103,817	271,824	447,760
Operating Transfers In	109,488			
Revenue Total	623,963	1,239,450	545,586	886,543
Food Service Expenditures	623,963	825,089	680,919	872,256
Change in Food Service Fund Balance	0	414,361	(135,333)	14,287
DEBT SERVICE				
Revenue				
Local	5,453,313	6,175,728	7,825,390	9,527,443
State	0	26,424	31,864	0
Loan Proceeds		8,162,975		
Revenue Total	5,453,313	14,365,127	7,857,254	9,527,443
Debt Service Expenditures	4,034,200	4,220,000	3,960,375	4,053,400
Payment to Bond Escrow Agent	1,419,133	10,145,127	3,869,879	
Change in I&S Fund Balance	0	0	0	5,474,043

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The Markets

The S&P 500 Stock Index (SPX), or as some say, "Mr. Market" turned in a stellar week ending on June 16. The SPX rose a very respectable 2.58% for the week closing at 4409.59, moving to a gain so far this year of 14.85%, up over 23% since last October, and an impressive 39% from three years ago. Of course, we do need to mention that it is still down 8% from its high point at the beginning of 2022. Our other followed index, the CRSP US Mid Cap Value Index (where none of the market-distorting big tech companies are to be found) rose 2.22% to 2364.79 for the week, suggesting that the rise in the market we have seen recently is broad based. That index is now up about 1% this year and remains down about 9% from its high in January of 2022.

The benchmark 10-year U.S. Treasury note ended the week with a yield of 3.77%, comfortably within the trading range we have seen this year. Shorter term Treasury yields remain higher with everything shorter than a one-year maturity yielding well above 5%. To illustrate how inverted the Treasury yield curve is, the 1-month T-bill was yielding 5.18% while a 30-year Treasury bond yielded only 3.86%. At least for interest rates, the world has indeed turned upside down. West Texas Intermediate crude oil (WTI), like the Treasury market, rose just a bit to \$71.71 but it too is in a trading range that has been in place all this year.

The Economy

For those who love economic numbers on government reports, it was an exciting week. First the Labor department came out with their monthly Consumer Price Index (CPI) figures. The bottom line 12-month CPI for the U.S. was 4.0%, still a number too high for the Fed or about anyone else, but only half of what we saw a year ago. Even better, if we take the inflation

Market & Economic Update

by Jeffrey W. McClure



numbers for "shelter" out of the equation, the one-month CPI was only 0.1% and for the full 12-months was only 2.1%. In other words, the always slow changing numbers for rents and equivalent home rental value for those who own homes is about the only thing that is still driving the numbers higher at an unacceptable rate. Unfortunately, the factor that has reduced the CPI to acceptable levels when it is averaged together is the price of energy, which has declined a huge 11.7% in the last year and was down 1.2% last month. The bright side to that is that the cost of energy tends to filter through to quite literally everything else because for things to be sold at any price they must be moved from where they were to the point of sale and that involves an energy cost.

The CPI report was a great prelude to the much-expected announcement by the Federal Reserve Board of Governors (the Fed) that they were not going to raise short term interest rates this month. That good news was tempered by the warning that they were leaning toward raising rates next month and at some point, yet another 0.25%. That second bit of news was wrapped in Chairman Powell's caveat that they would wait to see the data that comes in during the next couple of months to make a final decision on increasing rates or just leaving them where they are. Once more, Powell firmly stated that interest rates were likely to remain higher, longer than most market participants were thinking. Given the accuracy of his forecasts over the last year or more, that message bears listening to.

There was another takeaway from Chairman Pow-

ell's news conference that most pundits seem to have not noticed. In past announcements he has emphasized that the prime target of the rate increases was the jobs market. In this one he not only omitted that emphasis, but seemed to be saying that was no longer the target. Instead, he suggested that the key to halting the climb in interest rates would be that services prices would stabilize. In fact, in this announcement he said, "I do not think that wages are the principal driver of inflation." That means that we need not have a recession with the jobless rate rising to satisfy the Fed.

The Commerce department then came out on Thursday with the report that retail sales rose a seasonally adjusted 0.3% in May, a good healthy number. Our Gross Domestic Product is about 64% driven by consumer spending and consumer spending is the best indicator of whether the U.S. economy is growing or contracting. At the same time the Fed released data that showed that cash and cash equivalents held by US households were equal to 64% of our GDP. Prior to the pandemic household cash holdings were around 57%. In other words, US households still have plenty of money to spend and an average good reserve to boot! Consumer surveys this year have consistently been negative about the short-term economic future, but such surveys are historically very unreliable. The best way to determine what the American consumer thinks about the future is to note whether they are spending their money or saving it. They are spending, so they are optimistic, no matter what they say in response to surveys.

Don't vote for a number

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

Are President Joe Biden and former President Donald Trump too old to be President of the United States?

The answer to this question varies and depends on your perspective.

This perspective hinges on your expectations of America's President. Should he or she be able to run up steps? What about walking down the steps from Airforce One without looking down? This is a good trick.

We have to be careful about hanging a number on the maximum age to serve as President. Eighty may be too old, but maybe it's not. I heard Billy Graham preach when he was 80 and he came on the stage talking and preaching like a dynamo. There was nothing inarticulate or incoherent about him. There are millions of eighty-year-old plus people in this nation who live very active lives and have a lot to contribute to our country.

However, we have to be realistic there are millions of

80-year-old Americans who are barely alive, their health is terrible. Many cannot care for themselves let alone care for a nation. Furthermore, there are also millions of Americans between 36 and 70 who are not mentally or physically healthy enough to hold down the world's number one job.

Each individual must be evaluated by each American. We have to look at all of the candidates circumspectly. Do they have the experience? Do they have the knowledge and skills. Are they articulate. Does the candidate demonstrate leadership skills that we need to lead this country forward to better times? Will the candidate be a strong presence on the world stage and be a peace maker and leader?

Seventy million Americans do not want a President who is going to cut Social Security or Medicare benefits. Millions of Americans over 50 do not want the Social Security retirement age raised from 67 to 70. No one in this age bracket is going to support a candidate who

infers either of the changes. The full benefits age should never have been raised from 65 to 67. Millions of Americans will pay into Social Security all their lives but never make it to age 67 and thus never collect a penny. Of course, these people can collect a smaller amount if they want to retire at 62 and live on much less money. This is not a viable option for many.

Don't vote for someone just because they are young and vigorous. Youth is attractive and often charismatic but youth sometimes make mistakes. Don't vote for someone just because they are 80. Hopefully they are wise and very experienced but may be on the verge of becoming too frail. Look at the whole person. Age is a number. Look at what he or she is able to bring to the job and potentially do to help and lead our nation.

It's a big decision and don't make it all about a number.

How about a better sound system for new village building?

TO THE EDITOR:

If the Salado Village Administrator and Mayor must build themselves a new office, please, please include a sound system to clearly transmit the words of both our BOA, Mayor, and Village Administrator.

I have heard many Village voters leave a BOA meeting complaining they will not bother to return, since they couldn't hear

Your Voice

Letters to the Editor

anything.

While we are at it...why not livestream the meetings? We have tech savvy neighbors all over Salado

who might lend their expertise?

Linda Reynolds
P.S...how about a Press Box too!?

Against the pride flag

Rich Lowry



It's June, when one can be forgiven for thinking we live in the United States of LGBTQIA2S+.

Old Glory is, at best, supplemented with, and sometimes supplanted by, the pride flag in all its varieties.

The flag, which has become more and more unsightly, is ubiquitous. Its increasingly elaborate jumble of clashing stripes -- whether seen shopping, at a ballgame or on U.S. government buildings -- is a reminder to get with the program, and that the program is always changing.

Team Biden draped what is known as the Progress Pride flag, with no fewer than 11 different colors, on the White House in between two American flags, giving it -- no pun intended -- pride of place.

Flags aren't trifling matters. People rally to them and live and die for them. The firing on the flag at Fort Sumter at the outset of the Civil War, for instance, had a galvanizing effect on the North. "On forts and ships, from church-spires and flag-staffs, from colleges, hotels, storefronts and private balconies, from public edifices, everywhere the old flag was flung out," historian George Preble writes in a passage that could almost as accurately describe the unavoidable June displays of the pride flag.

Whereas the power of the Star-Spangled Banner is its extraordinary history, its relatively simple design, its easily understood symbolism, and its call to unify all Americans -- not to mention the sacrifices made to defend it -- the pride flag is the opposite.

It's always being refashioned (the version displayed on the White House dates all the way back to 2018), it's an aesthetic disaster, it's inscrutable, and it's a banner concerned with the recognition of splinter groups.

If you wanted to create a visual representation of "intersectionality," the latest iterations of the flag would be it.

The old, quaint rainbow flag had the virtue of being simpler than its subsequent renditions and of representing broad categories of things (life, sunlight, etc.), rather than specific groups of people. The flag started as eight stripes and got dropped to six for pragmatic reasons before additional stripes started getting layered in.

As it happens, there are dozens of separate flags out there for every gender identity and sexual orientation -- pansexual, non-binary, gender fluid, asexual, you name it. How could they be left out?

First, the City of Philadelphia added black and brown stripes to the top of the flag in 2017 to recognize people of color. The next year, a designer took the black and brown stripes -- along with light blue, pink, and white stripes incorporated from the transgender flag -- and put them in a horizontal chevron to make the Progress Pride flag.

Yet another update

added a yellow triangle with a purple circle from the intersex flag.

The resulting banner has all the visual appeal of a TV test pattern. It's hard to see any principle by which other groups should be excluded. By the time it's all said and done, the thing could look like a Sherwin-Williams fan deck, if it doesn't already.

Like the LBGTQ+ cause generally, the flag has become increasingly esoteric and obsessed with identity politics -- there's always another letter or another stripe. But what better representation of a movement that has gone down the rabbit holes of such bizarre causes as insisting that males compete in women's sports and minors get life-altering "gender-affirming care" that other advanced countries are turning away from as a terrible mistake?

Yet, it flies everywhere as though it were a quasi-national flag with universal popular assent. Even U.S. government buildings here at home and U.S. embassies abroad are bedecked with the flag. If Republicans ever get unified control of government, they should ban this practice. The government shouldn't be promoting boutique causes, and we already have a flag that includes everyone, that doesn't require constant ideological makeover, and that isn't an eyesore.

The Stars and Stripes should be sufficient for this and every month.

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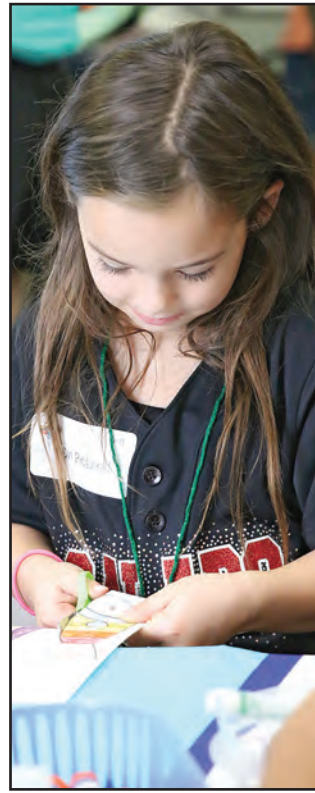
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Heritage Country Church dedication set

Heritage Country Church will have a dedication of its new church sanctuary and arena 10 a.m.-2 p.m. June 24. Heritage Country Church is located at 9677 Lark Trail.

The church invites the community to celebrate the new building. The church will have free hot dogs, popcorn, chips and drinks. There will be bounce houses for the kids and there will also be a roping event.



The Cross at Heritage Country Church. PHOTO BY TIM FLEISCHER

Village

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5,500 sq. ft. municipal building that will house both the village administration and village police departments. The design will be presented to the County Commissioners Court before it is put out for bid with work to begin later this year. Ferguson told aldermen that he would bring back a financing plan for the construction costs of the new building. The village will sell its two buildings on Stagecoach Rd.

The building will have a 28x37' meeting room, a large 25x15' entry lobby, office space for the village administration, assistant administration, secretary, chief of police, police sergeant, police officers, an interview room and an evidence room. Aldermen Bell made the motion to approve

the design with security modifications to limit public access to the police department, receiving a second by alderman Cox.

In discussion, alderman Jason Howard said, "explain to me how we are going to grow the space to accommodate more staff." Ferguson responded that a conference room could be converted to house additional staff.

"If push comes to shove and we have to share space with the county, you have that whole meeting room that can be converted," Ferguson said.

Howard went on to question the need for seven toilets in the building.

Aldermen Cox asked about the size of the meeting room. Ferguson told him that it is "similarly sized to this meeting room in terms

of seating capacity."

Ferguson advised aldermen that public works materials will have to be stored in a different location.

Henry and Jason Graham joined Bell and Cox in voting in favor of the design. Howard voted against.

In other business, aldermen reviewed but took no action on a 10-page proposed Public Improvement District policy with legal counsel Gregory Miller. The board also heard a presentation from Phi Air Medical concerning emergency air medical transportation services within the village. The board appointed Lennox Alfred to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Aldermen discussed but took no action on goals and priorities for fiscal year 2023-24.

Permit

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ter that the CUWCD board directed Aaron to draft, Aaron states that, "while the District understands and appreciates the need for wastewater services in the area contemplated by the application and the proposed permit, we have legitimate concerns about the potential impacts the effluent discharge would have on the Salado Springs, Edwards BFZ Aquifer, and the Salado Salamander, a federally listed threatened species."

Aaron further stated in the public comment letter that CUWCD remains "confident these concerns can be addressed through sitespecific engineering solutions or alternative methods of discharge, and we are committed to cooperating with both TCEQ and the Applicant to identify the best possible strategy to mitigate these concerns, while ensuring the wastewater service needs in the area are met."

CUWCD requests a public meeting to be held by TCEQ regarding the proposed discharge permit. Aaron states that State Rep. Brad Buckley has requested a public meeting regarding the proposed discharge permit. TCEQ website shows that there are eight requests for a public meeting.

Aaron states in his letter

that the applicant may have fallen short of compliance with TCEQ notice requirements. "Clearwater believes and understands that the applicant is required to issue notice to certain identified landowners," Aaron stated. "To date, we are aware that several of these identified parties have not received notice of the application from the applicants."

By submitting public comments, CUWCD is seeking to "preserve our right to a 'contested case hearing and protest, if necessary,'" Aaron stated in the June 13 letter.

CUWCD "believes that the proposed discharge outfall location and the proposed effluent flow path, in combination with the local surface geology, poses a significant risk to the groundwater resources," Aaron stated on page 3 of the 137-page public comment letter.

If approved as-is the path of discharge of effluent "could allow the infiltrating effluent to be captured by at least nine public water supply wells in the immediate area, many of which are within a mile of the proposed effluent flow pathway." The majority of those wells are Salado Water Supply Corporation wells, according to Aaron.

Further, CUWCD is

"very concerned that the proposed discharge will negatively impact the (Salado) salamander's critical habitat," Aaron stated in the letter. "Specifically, higher-than-normal concentrations of phosphorus and ammonia nitrogen will undoubtedly affect the salamander population at the Spring Complex."

The CUWCD letter suggests alternatives to the discharge permit as-is, including the following:

- land application of effluent (although the letter states that the permit-seeker would need to dedicate 500 acres of land for this use)

- moving the discharge point to Mustang Creek so that the effluent would pass through an existing pond on the property before ultimately discharging into Salado Creek

- Class V injection wells for effluent to be injected into the Middle or Lower Trinity Aquifer.

- higher effluent treatment standards. The developer may also choose to treat the effluent to a much higher water quality standard prior to discharge. The higher effluent quality could be guided by the requirements for the Edwards in other parts of Texas.

Local students named to Dean's Honor Roll at ACU

Abilene Christian University congratulates Dean's Honor Roll students for the Spring 2023 semester. Students earn Dean's Honor Roll recognition by achieving a 3.6 or higher GPA while enrolled in at least 12 credit hours.

Mary Witty of Belton, a

junior majoring in Graphic Design/Advertising

Cayden Meyer of Salado, a senior majoring in Biology

Miranda Davila of Belton, a senior majoring in Biochemistry

Zachary Oas of Salado, a junior majoring in Mathematics

Erik Oas of Salado, a senior majoring in Physics

Megan Sloane of Belton, a sophomore majoring in Theatre

Ashlyn Fossett of Belton, a sophomore majoring in Early Childhood/Elementary Education

SAU honor list includes Salado students

Magnolia, AR: Two Salado High graduates were named to honor lists at the Southern Arkansas University for the spring 2023 semester.

Taylor Claire Rich earned a 4.0 GPA in the spring 2023 semester, securing a reputa-

ble position on Southern Arkansas University's President's list.

Rich is a senior Mass Media major from Salado, TX.

A total of 398 students were honored on this semester's President's List.

Landry Rogers was named to the Dean's List, one of 551 students that earned a 3.5 GPA or higher for the spring 2023 semester. She is a senior Elementary Education (STEM) major.

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Auntie Anne's® Pretzels founder will sign cookbook

Barrow Brewing Co. will welcome Anne Beiler, the founder of Auntie Anne's® Pretzels, for a book-signing of her new cookbook *Come to the Table*, 2 p.m. June 25.

Beiler is known for baking those delicious Auntie Anne's® Pretzels, but long before she rolled a pretzel, she was baking pies and cooking dinner alongside her mom in their simple Amish home.

"There was always room for one more at our dinner table," she says, "Life on the farm is where I was taught to work hard, developed my love of baking, and learned the importance of giving back. Mom and Daddy always made room for one more to come to the table and showed us how to love others and be a family. It's because of them that I became a baker, and I'm thrilled to share these stories and recipes with you."

Come to the Table, the new cookbook by Anne Beiler, is over 200 pages of stories, photography, recipes, and photos from Anne's childhood in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Anne Beiler began twisting pretzel in 1987 and grew a single farmer's market stand into Auntie Anne's®, the world's largest hand-rolled soft pretzel franchise. Her professional success, however, was forged after years of darkness, depres-



Anne Beiler has a new cookbook, *Come to the Table*. She will be at Barrow Brewing Co. to sign the book on 2 p.m. June 25.

sion, and despair brought on by the death of her nineteen-month-old daughter. Anne's personal story and entrepreneurial insights have been featured on many television shows including *Secret Millionaire*, *The Oprah Winfrey Show*, and *Good Morning America*. She has been highlighted in numerous publications such as *Fortune Magazine*, and *Inc*

Magazine. Before the success of Auntie Anne's, Anne was a little Amish girl in Lancaster County Pennsylvania tasked with baking the pies for sale at her family's market stand. After her allergies forced her inside, Anne became her mom's helper in the kitchen, learning tricks and tips based down through the generations.



Herbs like Greek oregano are good plants for an herb garden. Participants of the Design Opportunities in the Herb Garden program will learn how to design, grow and maintain an herb garden. (TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE PHOTO BY LAURA MCKENZIE)

Herb garden program June 24

By ROB WILLIAMS
TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service office in Williamson County will be hosting a Design Opportunities in the Herb Garden demonstration program on June 24 in Georgetown.

The program will be

from 10-11:30 a.m. at the Texas Master Gardeners of Williamson County Demonstration Gardens located at 3151 S.E. Inner Loop in Georgetown.

The free event is open to the public. Participants are encouraged to bring a lawn chair and dress comfortably for the weather.

For more information, call the AgriLife Extension office in Williamson County at 512-943-3300 or visit the website at <https://williamson.agrilife.org>. Demonstration herb garden to be viewed

Participants will view the four themed herb beds inside the Demonstration

Gardens and the herb Spiral, which shows how to grow herbs in a functional and attractive design while having a small footprint.

Participants will learn about:

Growing and harvesting different herbs.

How to design herb gardens using different themes. How to best utilize herbs in preparing dishes and cooking.

Williamson County Master Gardeners will be available to answer participants' questions. The Texas Master Gardener program is an educational volunteer program conducted by the AgriLife Extension.

Village of Salado Calendar of Events

Mondays

Salado Senior Center open 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Mondays at 650 Royal St. (Salado United Methodist Church Youth Activity Center). Coffee Corner and Game Time, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Chair Yoga with Joette Grieco, 9-10 a.m. Bridge, 9:30-noon. Movie and Popcorn, 1-3 p.m.

Family Interactive Movie at Salado Public Library, 1 p.m. Village Artists- knitters, crocheters and stitchers meet, 1-4 p.m. Salado Village Artists' red building behind the Civic Center.

Barrow Cycling Club, 6 p.m. for a no-drop ride.

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., first Monday of month, 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

Village Artists- artists and crafters meet 9:30-11:30 a.m. Salado Village Artists' red building behind the Civic Center.

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

Teens Cosplay June Workshop at Salado Public Library, 1 p.m. Register at front desk.

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

Salado Senior Center open 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursdays at 650 Royal St. (Salado United Methodist Church Youth Activity Center). Coffee Corner and Game Time, 9 a.m.-3



Salado Legends July 22, 29 and August 5 at Tablerock Festival Amphitheater.

email clint.brown@saladoisd.org.

June 26-29

Volleyball Camp 2 for incoming fifth-sixth graders will be noon-1 p.m. June 26-29 at the Salado High gym. Cost is \$50. Call coach Clint Brown at 254.947.6970 or email clint.brown@saladoisd.org.

June 27

Teens: Dungeons & Dragons 101 Workshop B at Salado Public Library, 1 p.m. Register at front desk.

June 27

Women's Study at Grace Church of Salado, 7-8:30 p.m. for a study of Praying Together by Megan Hill. Cost of book is \$10.50 (paid at the door). Session 2 - The Fruits of Praying Together, Chapters 4-6.

June 28

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

June 28

Toddlers & Tweens: Tutu Craft at Salado Public Library, 2 p.m.

June 28

Adults: Cake Pan Palooza at Salado Public Library, 6 p.m.

June 28

Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Cousins Maine Lobster.

June 29

Teens: Cloud Craft at Salado Public Library, 1 p.m.

June 29

Adults: Mini Book Key-chain Craft at Salado Public Library, 5 p.m.

June 29

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

June 29

Wines from Australia 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.

June 30

Teens: Super Smash Brothers at Salado Public Library, noon.

June 30

Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Clint and the Cosmic Wake.

July 1

Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 10 a.m., Lilly Milford.

July 1

Tweens: Emoji Paint Workshop at Salado Public Library, 2 p.m.

July 1

Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Jolly Jankin String Band.

July 1

Live Music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m., Wade Ralston.

July 2

Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m., Dirty Rain Revelers.

July 3-4

Salado Village Voice office closed.

July 4

Salado Public Library Closed.

July 4

Salado Historical Society annual Fourth of July Celebration, noon at Salado High School Cafeteria. The Historical Society will provide chicken and drinks. Please bring sides or desserts to share. Salado Community Chorus will perform patriotic songs!

July 5

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

July 5

Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Korean Kravings.

July 6

Pokemon Play for ages 8 and up, 4 p.m., Salado Public Library.

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July 5
Music Munchkins, 10 a.m. Salado Public Library.

July 5
Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Korean Kravings.

July 6
Pokemon Play for ages 8 and up, 4 p.m., Salado Public Library.

July 6
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Real Ale.

July 6
Vineyard tour with Salado Winery, 6 p.m. June Ritterbusch, the vineyard manager and wine maker, will be guiding the tour. This educational class is perfect for any home wine maker, hobbyist grower, or anyone interested in the technical side of growing grapes in Texas. \$20 per person. Tickets on Eventbrite.

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

July 6
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.

July 7
Live Music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., Kelany Brent.

July 7
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Wes Perryman.

July 8
Tour of Gault site. Tickets are \$10/person; kids 10 years and under are free. All proceeds go to the Gault School of Archaeological Research. Registration is available on the museum website and payment can be made over the phone with the museum using a credit card. All attendees meet at the site at 8:30am. The tour will begin promptly at 9:00am. Maps will be provided a few days prior to the scheduled tour date. The site is 30 minutes from Belton, between Salado and Florence.

July 8
Pokemon Play for ages age and up, 12:30 p.m., Salado Public Library.

July 8
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Anna Larson Band.

July 8
Live Music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m., Dean Paul Willeford.

July 8-9
Salado Market Days 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall 721 Stagecoach Road. Salado's original Market Days event.

July 9
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m., Chris Beall.

July 10
Adult Crafts, No Sew Coasts, 4 p.m. registration required at front desk, Salado Public Library.

July 10
The 2nd Monday book club meets at 7 pm at Salado Winery. Book for July is Malibu Rising by Taylor Jenkins Reid.

July 10-14
Vacation Bible School, 8 a.m.-noon at Heritage Country Church. Register online at heritagecountrychurch@gmail.com.

July 11
Kids Discovery Club, ages 10+, 2 p.m. Salado Public Library.

July 11
Adult Book Club Get Lit, 6 p.m., Salado Public Library.

July 11
Women's Study at Grace Church of Salado, 7-8:30 p.m. for a study of Praying Together by Megan Hill. Cost of book is \$10.50 (paid at the door). Session 3 - The Practice of Praying Together Chapters 7-9.

July 11-14
Football Camp for incoming fourth-sixth graders will be 6:30-8:30 p.m. July 11-14 at the stadium. Cost is \$50. For information, call coach Tom Westerberg at 254.947.6970 or email tom.westerberg@saladoisd.org. **July 12**
Mini Makers, ages 3-7, 11 a.m., Salado Public Library.



Vineyard tour with Salado Winery, 6 p.m. July 6. June Ritterbusch, the vineyard manager and wine maker, will be guiding the tour. This educational class is perfect for any home wine maker, hobbyist grower, or anyone interested in the technical side of growing grapes in Texas. \$20 per person. Tickets on Eventbrite.

July 12
Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Chock Full o' Cheese. Trivia with Chad starts at 7 p.m.

July 12
Salado Lions Club luncheon meeting, 11:30 a.m., Salado Civic Center.

July 13
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, 5 x 5.

July 13
Adults True Crime Book Club, 6 p.m., Salado Public Library.

July 13
Italian Wines 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 <https://bit.ly/3M-LXXOA>. Call 254-947-8011 or check Facebook for more information.

July 14
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Justin Cole.

July 14
Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., David Matthew Harness.

July 15
Take Apart Tech, ages 10+, 1 p.m., Salado Public Library.

July 15
Installation of officers, Salado Masonic Lodge #296, 1:30 p.m. at the Lodge Hall, 90 S. Church St. Open meeting.

July 15
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Aytomatic Weekend.

July 15
Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m., Kyle Mathis.

July 16
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m., Brian Mullin.

July 17
Salado ISD Board of Trustees meeting, 6 p.m., Salado Civic Center.

July 18
Summer Fun Art Class with Salado Village Artists for kids ages 8-12, 1-3 p.m. at the Salado Village Artists building on grounds of Salado Civic Center. \$10 session includes all materials for class. Beautiful Bugs: Creating Images with Dots of Color. To register email halexand@embarqmail.com or call Helen Alexander at 254-947-1089. Include child's name, age and emergency number for registration. Space is saved with payment by check mailed to Salado Village Artists, PO Box 363, Salado, TX 76571.

July 18
Kids Discovery Club, ages 8+, 2 p.m. Salado Public Library.

July 19
Music Munchkins, 10 a.m., Salado Public Library.

July 19
Mini Makers, ages 3-7, 11 a.m., Salado Public Library.

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July 19
Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Checkpoint Germany.

July 20
Adult Craft DIY Bird Bath, 11 a.m., registration required at front desk, Salado Public Library.

July 20
Thursday Book Club, 3 p.m. Salado Public Library.

July 20
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, (512).

July 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.

July 20
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.

July 21
Live Music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., Jon Austin.

July 21
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Way-worn Traveler.

July 22
Teens: Dinosaur Taxidermy, ages 12+, 1 p.m., Salado Public Library.

July 22
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Don Owens Back Roads Band.

July 22
Salado Legends Tablerock's Goodnight Amphitheater, 409 Royal St., Salado, TX, 76571. Dinner is at 7:15 p.m., Performance begins at 8:15 p.m. Dinner tickets, which must be purchased 24 hours in advance, are \$13. Salado Legends tickets are \$25 for adults, \$10 for students (with ID) and \$5 for children 12 and under. Tickets can be purchased online at CentraTexasTickets.com.

July 22
Live Music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m., Britton Pyeatt.

July 23
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m., TBD.

July 24
Salado Public Library District Board of Directors meeting, 4:30 p.m. Salado Library.

July 24-28
Boys Soccer Camp 1 for incoming kindergarten-second graders will be 8:30-9:30 a.m. July 24-28 at the grass fields behind Thomas Arnold Elementary. Cost is \$50. For information, call coach Jared Cruddas at 254.947.6970 or email jared.cruddas@saladoisd.org.

July 24-28
Boys Soccer Camp 2 for incoming third-sixth graders will be 9:45-10:45 a.m. July

24-28 at the grass fields behind Thomas Arnold Elementary. Cost is \$50. For information, call coach Jared Cruddas at 254.947.6970 or email jared.cruddas@saladoisd.org.

July 24-28
Boys Soccer Camp 3 for incoming seventh-ninth graders will be 11 a.m.-noon July 24-28 at the grass fields behind Thomas Arnold Elementary. Cost is \$50. For information, call coach Jared Cruddas at 254.947.6970 or email jared.cruddas@saladoisd.org.

July 25
Summer Fun Art Class with Salado Village Artists for kids ages 8-12, 1-3 p.m. at the Salado Village Artists building on grounds of Salado Civic Center. \$10 session includes all materials for class. Red - Yellow - Blue: Making the Rainbow, Having Fun with Color. To register email halexand@embarqmail.com or call Helen Alexander at 254-947-1089. Include child's name, age and emergency number for registration. Space is saved with payment by check mailed to Salado Village Artists, PO Box 363, Salado, TX 76571.

July 26
Adult Puzzle Swap, 10 a.m., Salado Public Library.

July 26
Salado Lions Club luncheon meeting, 11:30 a.m., Salado Civic Center.

July 27
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, 3 Nations.

July 28
Teens Super Smash Bros, ages 12+, noon, Salado Public Library.

July 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.

July 28
Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., Michael Saldana.

July 28
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Neapolitan Band.

July 29
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Fred Fuller.

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July 29
Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m., Josh Jaccard.

July 30
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m., TBD.



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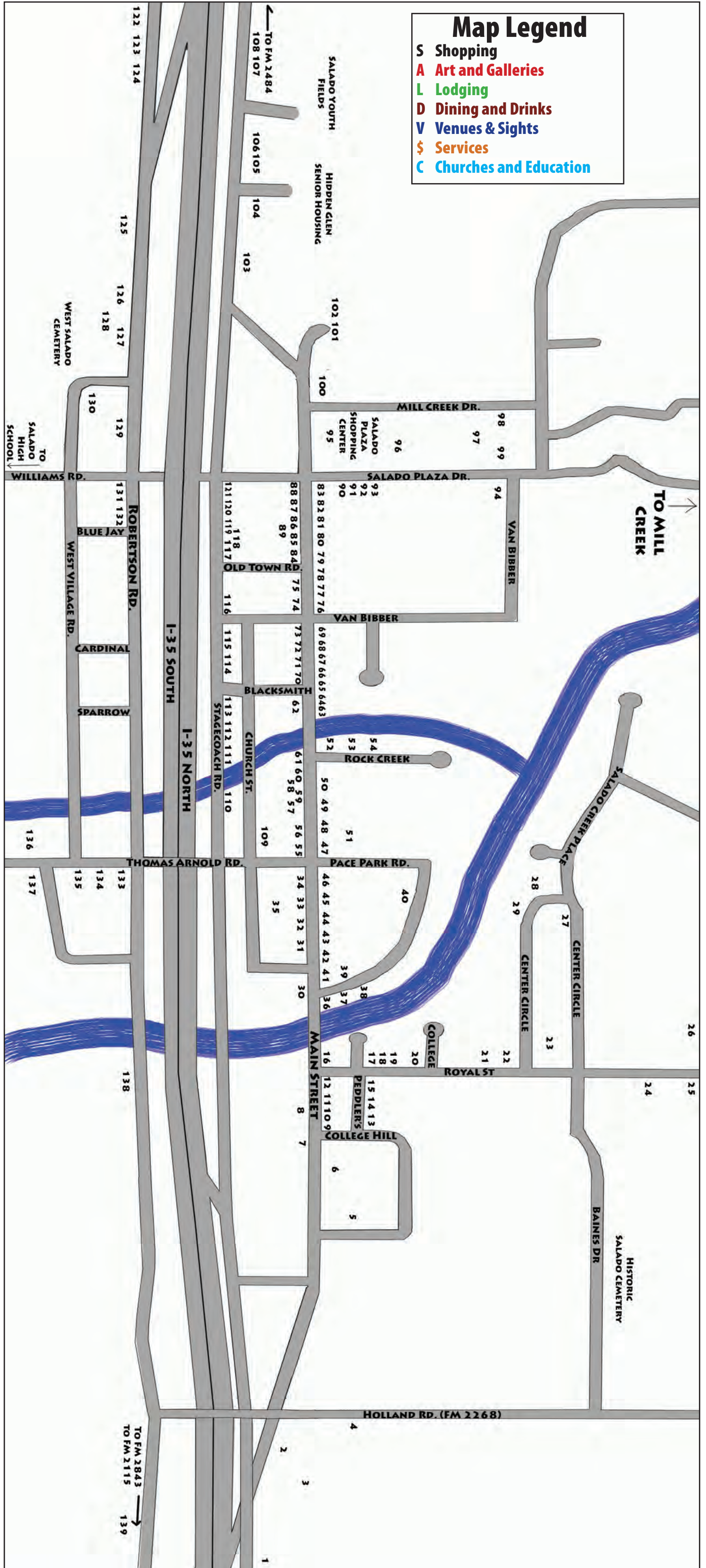
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8	StageCoach Inn	D
	Shady Villa	L
	254-947-5111	
9	Salado Museum	V
	254-947-5232	
	Salado Visitors Center	\$
	254-947-8634	
	Salado Chamber of Commerce	\$
	254-947-5040	
	Village of Salado Tourism Office	\$
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11	Chupacabra Craft Beer and Winery	D
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	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	
66	BNT Real Estate	S
	254-230-4949	
75	Stage Stop Center	\$
	Salado Creek Dental	\$
	254-308-2027	
76	Salado Civic Center	\$
	254-947-5479	
80	Axis Winery	D
	254-308-2016	
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	\$
85	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	
Not Shown on the Shopping Map		
	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

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		

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Trustees discuss buildings, budget

The Salado ISD School Board met on Wednesday, June 7. The following is a summary of that meeting:

- The Board approved the hiring of the following teachers and teacher/coaches: Elementary School Teachers: Cassie Brown, Lucille Castleberry, Isabel Cortez, Bailey Glos, Lindsey Schaetz, Shelby Spence, and Alison Wade High School Teachers: Nicole Bolen and Marian Kelso. High School Teacher/Coaches: Tim Kelso and Augie Ramirez.

- The Board discussed the Salado ISD Facility Committee recommendations. Committee co-chairs Brent Burks and Missie Steigerwalt shared information regarding the committee and the recommendations. The committee was comprised of 58 members – 47 of them were voting members and 11 of them were non-voting members. The 47 voting members were all parents, teachers, community members, and business representatives that all live in our school district. The 11 non-voting members were school administrators and school board members. Five of the 47 voting members were also on the facility committee in 2017-2018 that led to the 2018 bond election, while 42 of them were new members. The committee recommended the following projects for a November bond election:

1. A new high school, located on 54 acres of school district property at the northwest corner of FM 2484 and Williams Road. The high school would have a classroom capacity of 1,000 students and a core capacity

Superintendent's Corner

by Dr. Michael Novotny



- (hallways, cafeteria, etc.) of 1,500 students. The new high school would also include agriculture science/FFA and Career Technology Education (CTE) facilities. The estimated cost of this project is \$179,307,000.

2. Renovating and expanding the TAE-2 building into an elementary school with a capacity of 800 students. The estimated cost of this project is \$52,008,750.

3. A new stadium for football, soccer, track and field, and marching band with a capacity of 5,000 spectators. It would include a field house, concessions, restrooms, scoreboard, and press box. It would be located on the property on Williams Road between the existing high school and the middle school and adjacent to the baseball, softball, and tennis facilities. The estimated cost of this project is \$34,489,530.

4. Repurposing the existing high school into an elementary school or intermediate school. This would include a playground, furniture, painting, replacement of plumbing fixtures, and new signage. The estimated cost of this project is \$1,755,000.

5. Instructional technology upgrades, including Skyward software, document storage, and interactive flat panels in classrooms. The estimated cost of this is \$837,000.

6. Bi-directional amplifiers which would improve radio reception for law en-

forcement officers and first responders inside our school buildings. The estimated cost of this is \$351,000.

7. HVAC unit replacement at the existing high school. The estimated cost of this is \$1,728,000.

The total estimated cost of the seven recommended projects is \$270,449,280. The three additional projects that the committee wanted to include were a performing arts auditorium for the new high school, a second new elementary school, and a new FFA/animal barn. However, those three additional projects would not be in the district's current bond capacity so the committee is recommending them be included in a later phase of our long range facility plan. While the school district's maintenance and operations (M&O) tax rate has been declining the past few years, the interest and sinking (I&S) tax rate (which can only be used to pay off bonds) is already at the maximum of 50 cents per \$100 of taxable value. Thus, the tax rate cannot increase even if the school board calls a bond election and the voters approve the bond election. The deadline for the school board to call a November bond election is Monday, August 21.

- The Board and Dr. Novotny discussed communication regarding incidents involving school safety. Dr. Novotny explained that this past school we had two incidents involving a verbal threat made by one of our students. Our administrators promptly investigated these incidents and involved our threat assessment team and the Salado Police Department. Our threat assessment team and the Salado Police Department determined that both of these verbal threats were not credible and there was no danger to students or employees. However, both times there was false information shared about the incident through social media, texts, e-mails, and word of mouth. Dr. Novotny shared that he had discussions with our school attorneys regarding how to provide notification to parents and employees when there is an incident involving school safety to try to prevent the spread of misinformation, while still complying with the Family Education Rights Privacy Act (FERPA). The school district will begin providing these notifications to parents and employees, even when the threat assessment team

and law enforcement determine there is not a credible threat or danger to students or employees.

- As required by an indicator in the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (School FIRST), the school board members and Dr. Novotny discussed the state funding lag during the budget process. Prior to the 86th legislative session in 2019, prior year property values were used in the formulas to calculate state revenues causing a one-year funding lag - if local revenue decreased (or increased) in the year of the property value decline, the state did not recognize that decline (or increase) until the subsequent year. With the passage of HB3 beginning with 2019-20 school year, this funding lag has been eliminated.

- The board discussed the 2023-2024 budget. Dr. Novotny explained how our school district receives the lowest funding per student of all school of the school districts in our area and one of the lowest levels of funding per student of the over 1,000 school districts in the state. If our school district received the state average of funding per student, we would receive almost \$4 million more in state funding per year. The Texas Legislature had a surplus for this upcoming biennium of approximately \$33 billion in addition to their "rainy day fund" (fund balance) of approximately \$22 billion. Our State Representative and House Public Education Committee Chair, Dr. Brad Buckley, the House Public Education Committee, and the Texas House all approved House Bill 100. This would have increased Texas public education funding by several billion dollars and provided our school district over \$1.6 million of additional funding per year. However, the Texas Senate and the Lieutenant Governor were unwilling to pass House Bill 100 unless it included private school vouchers. The regular legislative session ended on May 29. The Governor could call a special legislative session and ask the Texas House and Texas Senate to consider legislation to increase school funding.

If you have any questions regarding this information or our school district, you are welcome to contact me at michael.novotny@saladoisd.org or 254-947-6905.

The Salado ISD School Board's next regular meeting will be Wednesday, June 28, at 6:00 p.m. at the Salado ISD Civic Center, located at 601 North Main Street.

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Starlets won the Ruby Sweepstakes for Dance Officers. Dance Officers are Shelby Maples and Alyssa Neagle. Maples also won the Outstanding Performer award among Dance Officers.

Salado Starlets

Spirit of the Week Award went to the Salado HS Starlets. Kristen Clifton, Presley Lochridge, Hannah Gearhart, Alyssa Neagle, Shelby Maples, Aubrey Forrest Grace Tipping.

Starlets bring home dance awards

Salado High School Starlets and director Traci Tipping brought home several team and individual awards from the American Dance Drill Team Officer and Social Officer camp in Rockwall recently.

Throughout the three days of camp they learned a combined total of seven dance routines, technique skills, and team building exercises. "Their hard work and dedication shined and

they're leaving a legacy for our future Starlets," Tipping said of the 2023-24 Starlets.

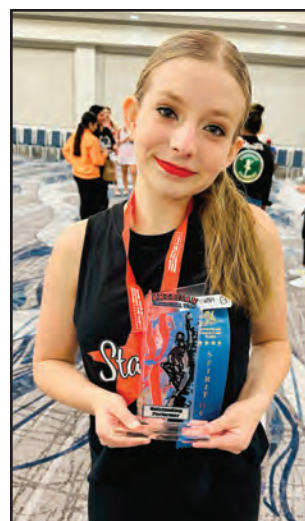
The Starlets won the Spirit of the Week award. Dance Officers Shelby Maples and Alyssa Neagle brought home the Ruby Sweepstakes. Maples also won the Outstanding Performer award among Dance Officers.

Social Officers and Helpers took home an award of excellence. They are Kris-

ten Clifton, Hannah Gearhart, Grace Tipping, Aubrey Forrest, Presley Lochridge. Gearhart was named the outstanding Social Officer. She was also named the All American Dance Company Outstanding Performer.

Grace Tipping was named to the All American Dance Company.

Alyssa Neagle received All American Dance Company Honorable Mention



Hannah Gearhart, Outstanding Social Officer.



Grace Tipping, All American Dance Company and All American Dancer Award.



Social Officers and Helpers won the Award of Excellence. Kristen Clifton, Hannah Gearhart, Grace Tipping, Aubrey Forrest, Presley Lochridge. Gearhart was named the outstanding Social Officer.

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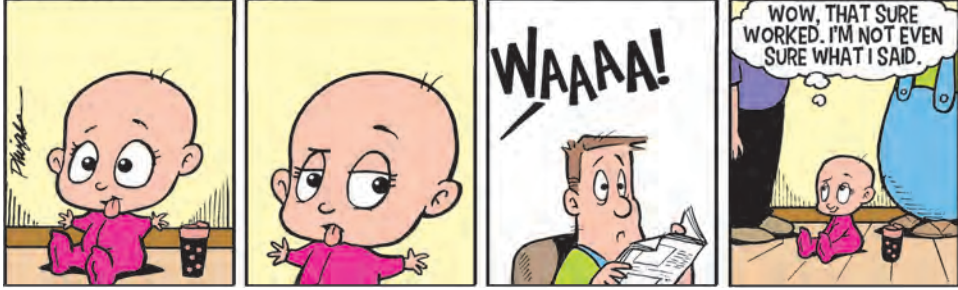
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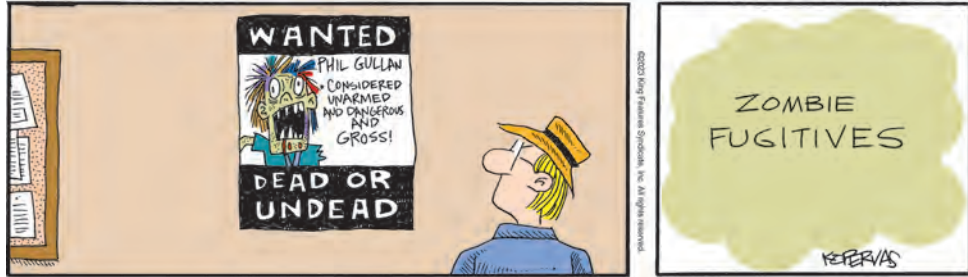
"Children are a gift from God"
-Psalm 127:3

5 locations between Belton, Jarrell & Georgetown

Amber Waves



Out on a Limb



The Spats



Contract Bridge

THE MISPLACED KING

South dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ Q 7
♥ Q 3
♦ A J 9 8 5
♣ K J 10 6

WEST
♠ K 9 5
♥ A J 7 2
♦ 6 3
♣ 9 8 7 2

EAST
♠ 8 6 4 3 2
♥ 10 8 5 4
♦ 7 2
♣ 4 3

SOUTH
♠ A J 10
♥ K 9 6
♦ K Q 10 4
♣ A Q 5

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♦ Pass 3 ♦ Pass
4 NT Pass 5 ♦ Pass
6 ♦

Opening lead — nine of clubs.

After considering his options, South should conclude that if West has the ace of hearts, he can make the slam regardless of where the king of spades is located. Only if East has the ace of hearts will a spade finesse eventually be necessary.

Accordingly, after taking the ace of clubs and drawing two rounds of trump ending in his hand, South leads a low heart toward the queen at trick four. If West goes up with the ace, South's worries are over, so let's assume he allows dummy's queen to win the trick.

Once the queen holds, declarer pursues his plan by next cashing his remaining clubs, discarding the nine of hearts from his hand on dummy's last club. Declarer then plays a heart to his unguarded king. West takes the ace but must give up the ghost, whatever he returns. If he leads a spade, declarer's spade loser disappears, and if he leads a heart, South discards a spade from dummy as he ruffs in his hand, thereby eliminating his spade loser.

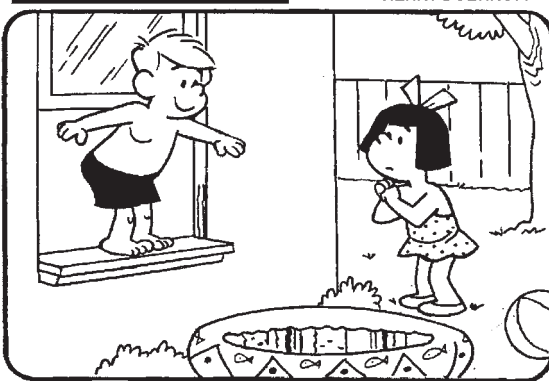
So — oddly enough — when dummy comes down, South initially prays that West was dealt the ace of hearts, but when and if East shows up with that card, South then prays that East was also dealt the king of spades.

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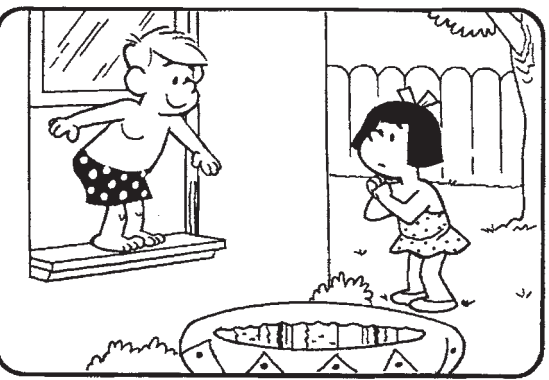
by Steve Becker

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Trunks are different. 2. Arm is moved. 3. Pool design is different. 4. Fence is different. 5. Bow is smaller. 6. Ball is missing.

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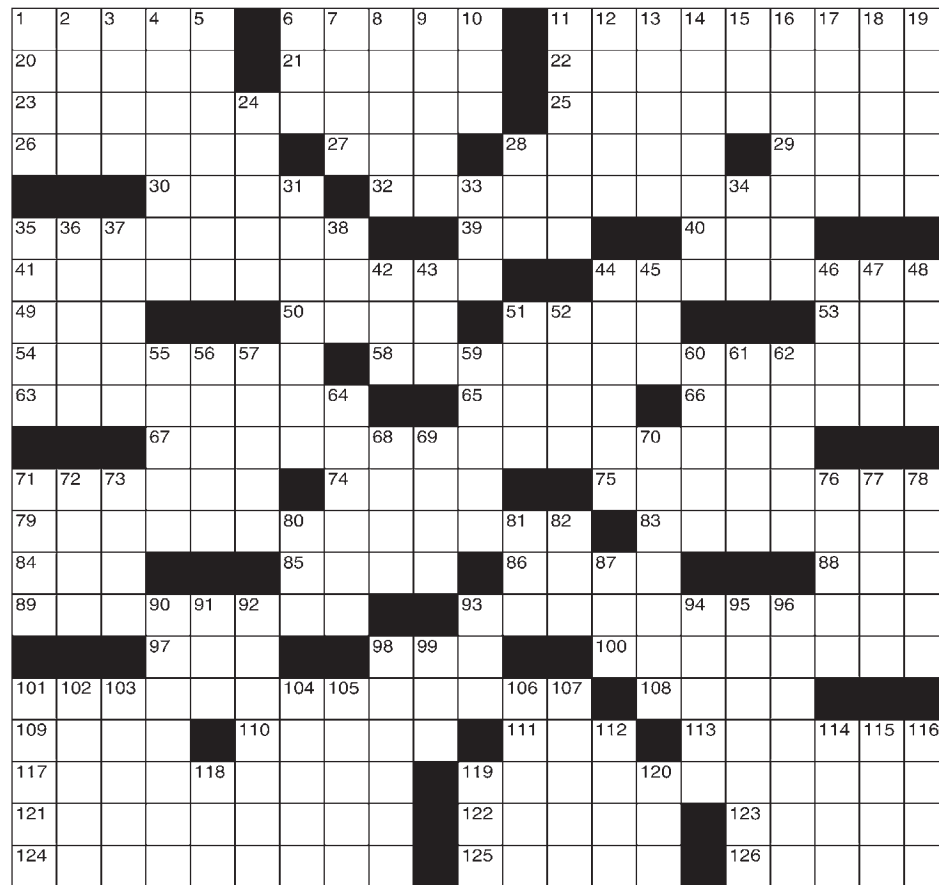
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INTERPLANETARY

- ACROSS**
- 1 Flip out
 - 6 City in Florida
 - 11 Nerve-racking
 - 20 Rock guitarists, slangily
 - 21 After-bath garments
 - 22 What a dipstick is dipped into
 - 23 Rip open eagerly
 - 25 Budapest native
 - 26 Put up with
 - 27 Actor Erwin
 - 28 Chocolate syrup brand
 - 29 Bone-dry
 - 30 Je ne — quoi (elusive quality)
 - 32 Tools facilitating weapon-launching
 - 35 Asset of Hercules and Samson
 - 39 Road coating
 - 40 Young miss
 - 41 Aerobic exercise promotes it
 - 44 Greek region
 - 49 Work unit, in physics
 - 50 Morales of "La Bamba"
 - 51 Infant
 - 53 Drain cleaner
 - 54 Hiker's printed guide
 - 58 Result of a lucid mind
 - 63 Like scalawags
 - 65 Prefix with commuting
 - 66 Making haste
 - 67 Aid in diagnosing an injured meniscus
 - 71 In dreamland
 - 74 Dragon killer, say
 - 75 Some pudding bases
 - 79 "Hamilton" duet sung by Burr and Hamilton to their children
 - 83 Literary alias
 - 84 Big cat's lair
 - 85 Beet or turnip
 - 86 "I don't give —!"
 - 88 Olympic runner Sebastian
 - 89 Ghosts
 - 93 Paul Lynde's role on "Bewitched"
 - 97 What a dipstick is dipped into
 - 98 Faux —
 - 100 Diner patrons choosing dishes
 - 101 Danger of atomic weapons
 - 108 Drink mixer
 - 109 Just slightly
 - 110 Trembled
 - 111 Victory sign
 - 113 "Au —" ("So long for now")
 - 117 Wedding party
 - 119 Tolkien's imaginary world (that hints at this puzzle's theme)
 - 121 Rear-end or sideswipe
 - 122 Hit of the past
 - 123 Prefix with fiche
 - 124 Quality of a dirty chimney
 - 125 Howled wolfishly
 - 126 Does in, as a dragon
 - 3 "Diary of — Housewife"
 - 4 Careful reader
 - 5 Race joiner
 - 6 Bruin Bobby
 - 7 Pigeon calls
 - 8 Sits next to
 - 9 Helpful boost
 - 10 Oar wood
 - 11 NPR journalist Daniel
 - 12 Depend on
 - 13 Cattle home
 - 14 Congest with fluid
 - 15 Kin of reggae
 - 16 Prints messily
 - 17 Savoir —
 - 18 Onetime TWA rival
 - 19 Gives temporarily
 - 24 "— Ho" ("Snow White" song)
 - 28 Sheep call
 - 31 Church tower
 - 33 Archaic verb ending
 - 34 Alliance of the W. Hemisphere
 - 35 Clip, as wool
 - 36 On — firma
 - 37 Is furious
 - 38 Possesses
 - 42 Fond du —, Wisconsin
 - 43 Up to, in ads
 - 44 Med. exam involving a forearm jab
 - 45 Sneaky laugh
 - 46 Et — (and others, in footnotes)
 - 47 "Fist City" singer Loretta
 - 48 Safecracker, slangily
 - 51 Boxer Max
 - 52 Guthrie of folk
 - 55 "Angel" actress Amy
 - 56 French artist Edouard
 - 57 First Hebrew letter
 - 59 Set of values
 - 60 "Would that it were true!"
 - 61 — the bud (forestry)
 - 62 Single out as especially important
 - 64 Boorish types
 - 68 Make over
 - 69 Race pace
 - 70 Ones outdoing all rivals, informally
 - 71 Appends
 - 72 Flow slowly
 - 73 Race space
 - 76 Secret stash
 - 77 Love, to Celine
 - 78 Foretellers
 - 80 Botch it up
 - 81 Bond creator Fleming
 - 82 Circle portion
 - 87 Nobel-winning U.N. agcy.
 - 90 Most frigid
 - 91 Put a knot in
 - 92 Skin protein
 - 93 Draw upon
 - 94 Venerate
 - 95 Makes good
 - 96 Hard work
 - 98 Players of LPs and 45s
 - 99 Noah's boat
 - 101 DEA agents
 - 102 In — (not yet born)
 - 103 Tree that's a chocolate source
 - 104 Mannheim's river
 - 105 Horn sounds
 - 106 Home to St. Teresa
 - 107 Soft toy bear
 - 112 Emmy winner Falco
 - 114 Bicolor whale
 - 115 Possible response to "Good job!"
 - 116 Greek consonants
 - 118 Greek consonant
 - 119 Rowdy crowd
 - 120 Conducted



Trivia test

- by Fifi Rodriguez
- MOVIES: Which movie features the line, "Where we're going, we don't need roads"?
 - HISTORY: Which serious disease was declared eradicated in 1980?
 - GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What color is the "black box" that is used to record data on airplanes?
 - GAMES: How much does getting out of jail cost in the board game Monopoly?
 - LITERATURE: What kind of animal is the novel "Black Beauty" about?
 - U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the youngest president?
 - TELEVISION: Who played the Penguin in the original "Batman" TV series?
 - GEOGRAPHY: What is the northernmost point of the United States?
 - ASTRONOMY: Which is the only planet in our solar system that spins clockwise?
 - FOOD & DRINK: Which fast-food restaurant chain claims that "We have the meats"?

- Answers**
- "Back to the Future."
 - Smallpox.
 - Orange.
 - \$50.
 - A horse.
 - Theodore Roosevelt (42).
 - Burgess Meredith.
 - Point Barrow, Alaska.
 - Venus.
 - Arby's.

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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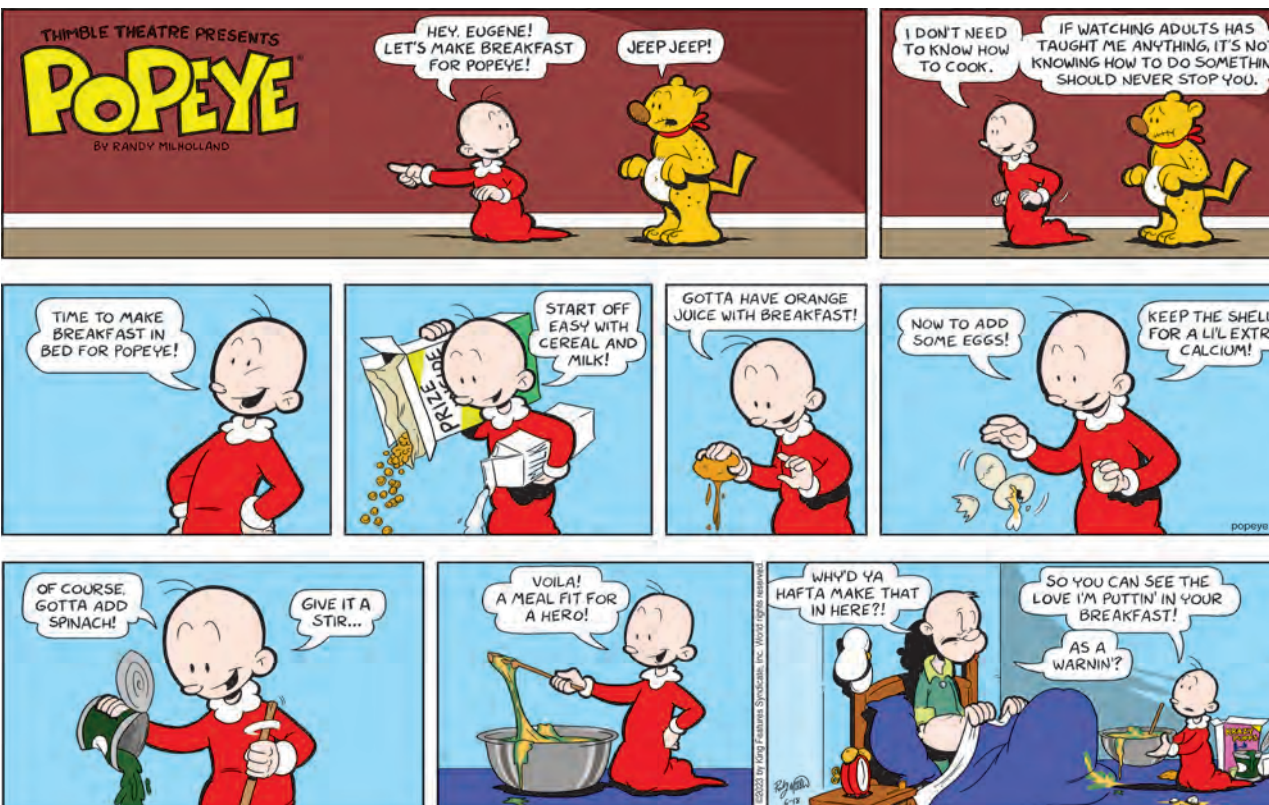
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Answers

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06/12	ANDRE LOOP, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
06/12	GOOSENECK RD, Bell	EMS call, excl. MVA with injury
06/12	Blacksmith, Salado	Arcing, shorted electrical equipment
06/12	FM 2268, Bell	Arcing, shorted electrical equipment
06/13	N ROBERTSON RD, Salado	Motor vehicle accident with injuries
06/13	YELLOW ROSE DR, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
06/13	SALADO CREEK PL, Salado	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
06/14	FM 2268, Bell	Dispatched & canceled en route
06/14	MEADOW CREST DR, Bell	Dispatched & canceled en route
06/14	FM 2484 HWY, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
06/15	MEADOW CREST DR, Bell	Brush or brush-and-grass mixture fire
06/15	Elmer King, Bell	No incident found on arrival at address
06/15	HESTER WAY, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
06/15	HESTER WAY, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
06/15	HESTER WAY, Bell	Brush or brush-and-grass mixture fire
06/15	OAK TREE DR, Bell	Dispatched & canceled en route
06/16	ELMER KING RD, Bell	No incident found on arrival at address
06/16	West Amity Rd, Bell	Unauthorized burning
06/16	FM 2484, Bell	Good intent call, other
06/17	FM 2484, Bell	Motor vehicle accident with injuries
06/17	IH 35, Salado	Good intent call, other

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The American College of Emergency Physicians reports that each year there are hundreds of fatalities and countless emergency department visits due to heat-related illnesses. Older adults, babies and young children, as well as those

with medical conditions like diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease or obesity, are particularly susceptible to the heat.

Heat exhaustion

Heat exhaustion is the result of an excessive loss of water and/or salt, usually as a result of excessive sweating, Kellstedt said.

Some heat exhaustion symptoms can include:

- Tiredness or weakness.
- Agitation.
- Headache.
- Dizziness.
- Cold, pale and clammy

- skin.
- Tingling skin.
- Fast, weak pulse.
- Fast, shallow breathing.
- Heavy sweating.
- Nausea.
- Muscle cramps.

To address heat exhaustion, Lopez said it is best to sip cool water, relocate to a cooler area, loosen your clothing and put a wet cloth or cool compress on key areas of the body, such as the forehead, neck and armpits.

Heat Stroke
Heat stroke is the most severe heat-related illness,

according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. It can occur when a person's body temperature rises above 103 degrees and seemingly loses the ability to properly regulate its temperature.

Heat stroke symptoms

Kellstedt said a particularly notable symptom of heat stroke is that the body actually stops sweating.

Additional heat stroke symptoms can include:

- Headache.
- Weakness.
- Confusion.

- Dizziness.
- Agitation.
- Slurred speech.
- Hot, red, skin.
- Fast, strong pulse.
- Nausea.
- Vomiting.
- Loss of consciousness.

If a person has these symptoms, Lopez said it should be regarded as a medical emergency and to immediately call 911.

He also encourages moving the person to a shaded, cool area or into an air-conditioned space and trying to lower the body's temperature.

"Cool the individual with water" he said. "Wet the skin and place cool, wet clothes or compresses on key points, such as the head, neck and armpits. Do not give the person anything to drink unless they are conscious and safely able to do so."

Lopez noted that these suggestions for heat exhaustion and heat stroke are not meant to replace the advice of a medical professional, and it is ideal to consult with a physician or other qualified health professional as soon as possible.

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