

## UIL Realignment sends Salado south for 2024-26

Salado Eagles will play football in a completely new district 13-4A, Div. 2, as UIL announced its biennial reclassification and realignments last week.

The Eagles will play in District 13-4A, where they will face Geronimo Navarro, Gonzales, Jarrell, Lago Vista, Smithville and Wimberley.

Jarrell is the largest school in the district, with an enrollment of 951 and the closest at just 10 miles away.

Geronimo Navarro is the farthest away at 108 miles. Gonzales is 100 miles away, Wimberley is 74 miles, Smithville, 70 miles and Lago Vista, 44 miles.

Wimberley is the second largest school in the district with 855 enrollment. Gonzales has 760 students; Salado, 721; Geronimo Navarro, 694.5; Lago Vista, 672.5 and Smithville, 555.

The Eagles will play four non-district games in 2024, facing Troy Aug. 30 in a home game, Lampasas at home Sept. 6, Giddings on the road Sept. 13 and Academy on the road Sept. 20.

The Eagles start District 13-4A play at Lago Vista Sept. 27. The Vikings were 7-5 last year after going 10-4 the previous two years.

The Eagles will host Navarro on Oct. 4. The Panthers were 9-4 last year, losing to Sinton. The two years prior, the Panthers were 8-5 and 10-3.

The Eagles travel to Wimberley Oct. 11. The Wimberley Texans were 14-1 last year, losing in the state semi-final to Bellville.

The Texans went 15-1 in 2022, losing to Carthage in the state championship game. They were 10-3 in 2021.

After a bye week, Salado hosts the Jarrell Cougars on Oct. 25. The Cougars were 3-8 and 2-3 in District 13-4A last year. The Cougars were 6-7 and 2-3 in 2022 and 3-8 and 0-5 in 2021.

Salado travels to Gonzales Nov. 1. The Apaches were 6-4 and 4-1 in District 12-4A last year. They were 4-6 and 2-3 in 2022 and 2-8 and 0-5 in 2021.

The Eagles finish district play at home Nov. 8 against the Smithville Tigers. The Tigers were 3-8 and 2-3 in District 12-4A last year. They were 5-7 and 3-2 in 2022 and 7-4 and 3-2 in 2021.

Most of the teams Salado faced the past two years will compete in District 12-4A: Gatesville, Robinson and Connally. China Spring and La Vega both move down from Division 1, while Lorena moves up from 3A, Div. 1, in which they won the state championship in 2021. China Spring won back-to-back championships in 2021 and 2022. Madisonville moves to District 11-4A, Div. 2.

UIL also released the alignments for volleyball and basketball.

Salado Lady Eagles will compete in District 24-4A in both volleyball and basketball. They will face Burnet, Georgetown Gateway (boys only in basketball), Jarrell, Lampasas, Marble Falls and Taylor.



Road crews began work last week on resurfacing Center Circle. Crews have also begun work on the drainage project at Chishom Trail and Stagecoach Circle. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

## Just over a week left to file in local races

With just over a week left in filing for three local elections, if no one else files, none of the ballots will be contested.

Michael Coggin filed for re-election for Village of Salado Mayor.

Paul Cox filed for re-election to the Village Salado Board of Aldermen. Michael

MacDonald also filed for election to the board. alderman Jason Howard has not yet filed for re-election. Two two-year terms will be decided in May.

The two-year mayoral term and two two-year terms on the Board of Aldermen will be decided May 4.

Chris Diem filed for re-

election to the Salado ISD Board of Trustees. Michael Apodoca also filed for election to the board. Two three-year terms on the Salado ISD Board of Trustees will be decided. Bobbie Ann Adair White has not filed for re-election to the SISD Board of Trustees.

Two two-year terms on

the Salado Public Library District board of directors will also be decided.

So far, Nancy Mills Mackey has filed for re-election to the Library board and Keith Cryar has filed for election to the board.

The last day to file as a candidate in the local elections is Feb. 16.

## PALS Taste of Salado slated Feb. 26 at Tenroc

The Public Arts League of Salado will host the annual Taste of Salado on Feb. 26 in the Blue Heron room of Tenroc Event Center, located at 5471 Thomas Arnold Road, Salado.

All proceeds from the Taste of Salado are used for the purchase and maintenance of sculpture in the Salado Sculpture Garden and on Main Street. The funds are also designated for art student scholarships and

an annual student art show. A social hour that includes music by the Schade Tree Band, libations, and a silent auction will begin at 5 p.m. Restaurants providing tastes of their specialties will serve at 6 p.m.

Guests will be asked to vote for the Taste Best 2024.

A live auction conducted by Bobby Whitson will complete the evening.

Tickets are \$30, available at the Salado Museum, 423 South Main, Salado, online

at [centraltexas tickets.com](http://centraltexas tickets.com).

Participants in the Taste of Salado are these: The Barton House, Cowboys BBQ, The Gin (Belton), Greenfield Coffee Cocktails Barrels & Brew, Lucy's Ice House, McCain's Bakery & Cafe, Mel's

Gourmet Delights & Pastries, Napoli's Italian Bistro (Belton), Provecho, Provisions Food Truck, Small Cakes, Stagecoach Inn, The Strawberry Patch. Wineries include Empressario Winery and The Local Vine.

## Inn on the Creek properties names Hermann COO

By TIM FLEISCHER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Will Lowery and Neil Dunch have announced that Dave Hermann now serves as Chief Operating Officer of Inn on the Creek Properties.

Hermann began work as Director of Development at Inn on the Creek Properties in late 2017.

"Dave has been an asset to Inn on the Creek since the moment he started," Lowery said. "Beyond his education and decades of experience as a professional chef, he brings a dedication to personal customer service, high standards of quality and a devotion to community that is difficult, if not, impossible to find in one individual."

"He shares his passion for the culinary arts with us through the local businesses he helps lead," Lowery said. "He partners with the leadership of other local businesses to promote a culture

of cooperation that all of us can be proud of, and visitors to our community are charmed by."

"Dave has a reputation for being thoughtful and sincere. He thinks before he speaks and has consistently used his authority over the years to contribute toward improving relationships and building people up," Lowery said. "Anyone who has a relationship with Dave feels valued, and he instills a confidence in those around him that what you see is what you get – he is genuine."

"From charity bike rides to golf tournament fundraisers, Dave is always depended upon for his participation and in many instances his organizational skills," Lowery said. "So whether he's working or playing, Dave has shown us what a team-player looks like. I am very fortunate that he is at the head of the Inn on the Creek team."

Hermann will oversee a



Dave Hermann

team of almost 100 employees working at five different locations: Inn on the Creek boutique inn, Alexander's Craft Cocktails + Kitchen, The Range Full Service Catering, The Shed and The Venue.

Inn on the Creek is a 22-room boutique inn. Lowery has owned Inn on the Creek since Jan. 1, 2005. Lowery and his partner, the late Chris Spradley, transitioned a weekend-only, fixed menu restaurant into Alexander's Craft Cocktails + Kitchen, a three-leveled restaurant that overlooks Salado Creek.



The manor at Inn on the Creek.

Eleven years ago, they opened The Shed, a Tavern at the corner of Royal and Center Circle, and The Venue event center with inside space and creekside decks for outdoor events.

"In my role as COO, my focus is to leverage my ex-

tensive experience in culinary operations and management to uncover and capitalize on new opportunities for success," Hermann said. "I am passionate about building and leading high-performing teams, thriving in environments where I can

coach and motivate professionals to realize their full potential. Looking ahead, I am eager to continue driving growth, excellence, and innovation in the hospitality industry, steering Inn on the Creek towards new levels of success."

# Obituaries



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**CHARMAINE ELIZABETH PADGETT**

**APRIL 24, 1952**  
**FEBRUARY 2, 2024**

Charmaine Elizabeth Padgett of Salado, passed away on February 2, 2024.

Charmaine was born on April 24, 1952 in Pennsylvania to Charles and Janet Lauffer. She graduated from Saltsburg Jr/Sr High school in 1970. She attended Mt. Aloysius Jr. College, graduating in 1972. Charmaine furthered her education at Seton Hill College, graduating with a Bachelor of Science in 1974, and then attended Webster College where she graduated in 1982 with a Masters of Art.

Charmaine joined the Women's Army Corp, the last group before women went into regular Army, and became a Quarter Master.

After numerous Commendation medals and Meritorious Service medals during her many years in service to our country, she retired as a Major on April 5, 1990.

Charmaine married Farrel Padgett on August 10, 2019. Sadly, their time together was cut short; Farrel died on January 5, 2020.

A resident of Salado for 11 years, she was an active volunteer in the community, involved in the Salado Senior Center founding and ongoing activities, plus, she was a member of the Salado Lions Club.

A devoted member of Calvary Chapel, Georgetown, Texas with Pastor Bob Lane, she was proficient in eschatology, and a tireless supporter of Israel.

Charmaine is preceded in death by her parents and her husband Farrel Padgett. Survivors include sister, Debbie Johnson; nieces: Cristy Laurenti (Justin) and Terri Deemer; great nieces and nephews: Britany Rotto (Johnny), Tyler Hill (Kelsey), Brice, Jordan, Garrick Shellhammer (Shelly), McKenna Shellhammer and her dear friends: Betty Rawlings, Nancy Martinez, and Walter Jones.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to The Salado Senior Center, or The American Heart Association, in gratitude of her two heart transplants.

Charmaine will be bur-

ied with Military Honors in the VA Cemetery, Killeen, TX on Thursday, February 15, 2024, with a service at 11:00 am at Broecker Funeral Chapel. A visitation will take place 4-6 p.m., Wednesday, February 14, at Broecker Funeral Home.

Please sign the guest-book: [Broeckerfuneral-home.com](http://Broeckerfuneral-home.com).

PAID OBITUARY



**KENNETH WAYNE VON GONTEN**

**NOVEMBER 1, 1956**  
**FEBRUARY 4, 2024**

Kenneth Wayne Von Gonten went to be with his Lord and Savior on February 4, 2024, surrounded by his family. He was born on November 1, 1956 to Henry and Margaret (Adams) Von Gonten. He, his parents, and his sister Debby lived in Rockdale, Texas where he grew up and graduated from Rockdale High School. He was affectionately known as "Kenny" to his family and hometown friends.

After high school, he attended Blinn College in Brenham, Texas, where he met and fell in love with Debra Weiss. They were married on June 25, 1978 at Eben-Ezer Lutheran Church in Brenham. After Blinn, he continued his studies at Texas A&M where he earned his Bachelors degree in Agricultural Education in 1980 and a Master of Education in 1987.

Ken and Debbie were blessed with two children, Deanna and Matthew, and later, son-in-law Jake Sallee and daughter-in-law Kristen (King) Von Gonten. Ken loved being "Opa" to his four grandchildren - Judah and Joyanna Sallee and Lucienne and Charlie Von Gonten, who brought him great joy.

From his youth, Ken was strong in his faith. He and Debbie joined Miller Heights Baptist Church in Belton in 1980 where Ken served in many roles. These included Sunday School teacher, Education Director, deacon, and elder, as well as serving on many committees. His love of the Lord and everyone around him was evident to all those he met.

Ken had a passion for music and remembered singing as a child at the

Salty Community Church near Rockdale. He wrote songs as he learned to play the guitar and entertained college friends and family with his music. He and Debbie enjoyed playing and singing songs for many years, always as a form of worship and praise to their Lord.

Ken cared deeply for others and was a kind soul. He used his humor to make others feel comfortable around him. He often used the excuse for his silly behavior as being due to his being an Aggie and having had brain surgery, both of which were true. Much of his life was plagued with illness, having had multiple seizures, pneumonia, and several bouts of cancer, to name a few. But Ken always took his health in stride, feeling blessed with the life he was given.

His career in Ag Education and Career Studies allowed Ken to help young students to choose and experience their own career paths. His leadership qualities were evidenced in his work and in his ministry.

After retirement, Ken began to expand his photography hobby, which he enjoyed so much. He used his talent as a photographer to preserve memories with family and friends, and he loved capturing scenes from God's creation.

Ken is survived by his wife Debbie, his parents Henry and Margaret Von Gonten, his sister Debby Rolan, children Deanna Sallee (and husband, Jake), Matthew Von Gonten (and wife, Kristen), his grandchildren, his mother-in-law Edna Weiss, plus numerous brother-in-laws, sister-in-laws, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father-in-law Edwin Weiss, two nephews, Clinton Wilhelm and Cory Wayne Menges, and brother-in-law Bill Weiss.

A special thanks to all the doctors, nurses, and caregivers at BSW and BSW Hospice, and to all those who prayed for Ken and family along the way.

Visitation will be held on Friday, February 9 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm at Broecker Funeral Home in Salado.

Celebration of life service will be held at Miller Heights Baptist Church in Belton on Saturday, February 10 at 11:00 am with Pastor Justin Childers officiating. Burial will follow at Salado Cemetery.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Miller Heights Baptist Church or the American Cancer Society.

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# Master Gardener Classes to cover planting and propogating

Bell County Master Gardeners Association announce the Class Schedule for February:

**Feb 10**

The Bell County Master Gardener Association and the Harker Heights Activities Center Outdoor & Science Expo presents a Demonstration on "Succulents" Saturday, February 10 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Harker Heights Recreation Center, 307 Miller's Crossing Rd., Harker Heights. Certified Master Gardener's Jan George and Carol Morisette will be providing educational information on Propagating and growing succulents to save water.

Class Limit: 20  
 Fee: Free  
 No registration required

**Feb 10**

The Bell County Master Gardener Association and the Temple Public Library Garden Club presents a Special Event Seminar on Saturday, February 10, from 2:00 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Temple Public Library, McLane Room.100 W. Adams Ave., Temple. Certified Master Gardener Barbara Ishikawa will present "Drought Tolerant Native Plants" providing an assortment of native plants that are drought tolerant for your landscape, enabling you to conserve water. The second presentation will be conducted by Certified Master Gardener Wayne Schirner who will present "Spring Gardening in Central Texas" and provide a vegetable planting schedule using research-based information.

Class limit: 50  
 Register at [bcmgaspeakers@gmail.com](mailto:bcmgaspeakers@gmail.com)  
 Walk-ins are Welcome

**Feb 15**

The Bell County Master Gardener Association is hosting a free monthly seminar "Roses in the Landscape" on Thursday, February 15, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Texas Agrilife Extension Office, BCMGA Learning Center,



1605 N. Main St., Belton. Certified Master Gardener's Carol Morisette and Jan Upchurch will discuss types of roses, when to prune and to perform maintenance. They will also discuss how to propagate roses as well as how to identify Rosette disease and how to properly remove from your landscape. Class Limit: 50

Register at [bcmgaspeakers@gmail.com](mailto:bcmgaspeakers@gmail.com)  
 Donations are appreciated to support continuing education opportunities in Bell County.

**Feb 16**

The Bell County Master Gardener Association and Elevate Troy Business Coalition Presents a Free Lunch and Learn Presentation "Fruit Trees" on Friday, February 16, from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. at the Troy Community Center, 201 E. Main St., Troy. Certified Master Gardener Sylvia Maedgen will discuss various fruit tree varieties that grow well in Central Tex-

as. Sylvia will also discuss chill hours, planting times, container versus bare root trees as well as tree care maintenance. Class Limit: 50

Register for Lunch at [helo@elevatetroy.org](mailto:helo@elevatetroy.org) or call Gaby Warlick at 254-400-7345

Walk-ins welcome without lunch based on space available.

**Feb 24**

The Bell County Master Gardener Association will be at the 2024 Home & Garden Show on Saturday, February 24, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Cadence Bank Center, 301 West Loop 121, Belton. Certified Master Gardeners will be conducting demonstrations on various gardening topics to include 10 a.m. Turf and Weed Control, 11:15 a.m. Water Conservation and Rainwater Harvesting, 12:30 p.m. Propagating Succulents, 1:15 p.m. Getting Ready for Spring, 2 p.m. Seed Saving and 2:45 p.m. Soil Testing. Certified Master Gardeners

will be available to answer questions as well as the Kids Zone and Seed Table. There will also be succulents and herbs for sale. Plan to stop by our booth.

**Mar 2**

The Bell County Master Gardener Association presents a hands-on workshop "Hush and Eat Your Flowers-Cool Season" on Saturday, March 2 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Texas Agrilife Extension Office, 1605 N. Main St., Belton. Please join Certified Master Gardener's Kathy Lovelace and Kim Pringle for an introduction to cool season edible flowers. There will be tips and reminders on

how to easily incorporate fresh and dried edible flowers and herbs from your own garden into your favorite drinks, salads, entrees, and desserts. Please plan to join us for an enjoyable morning of learning and

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[www.newlifemethodistsalado.org](http://www.newlifemethodistsalado.org)

**New Life Methodist Church to offer imposition of ashes Feb. 14**

New Life Methodist Church of Salado will commemorate the season of Lent, the 40 days of preparation for Easter Sunday beginning on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14, with a drive by placing (imposition) of ashes on the forehead of those interested.

The church will commemorate Ash Wednesday by offering the traditional imposition of ashes on Wednesday morning and afternoon outside of

the Salado Museum. The church meets every Sunday at the Museum while they continue to plan to build a sanctuary to serve the growing Global Methodist Community in the Salado area.

"Lent is set aside as a time to prepare our hearts to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus," explained Pastor Tom Lathen. "The first official Lent may have been in AD 325 after the church Council of Nicaea," according to Pastor Lathen.

The ashes are made by burning the palm branches from the previous Easter. Anyone wanting to have a simple way to note the start of Lent is invited to drive by the Salado Museum, located at 423 South Main Street in Salado. To participate simply drive to the south side of the Museum's parking area from 7-9 a.m. or from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. on Feb. 14. The public is invited you do not have to be a member of New Life Methodist Church to participate, as the church welcomes everyone!

The New Life Methodist Church of Salado is a part of the Global Methodist denomination and meets every Sunday morning at the Salado Museum. An adult Bible Study is held each Sunday at 9 a.m., a Teens Bible Study at 9:15 a.m., followed by a church wide Worship Service at 10 a.m..

**Community Bible Study begins Feb. 12**

Community Bible Study is inviting visitors for a 12-week study of Ephesians beginning the week of Feb. 12-May 6. There will be a Spring Break the week of March 11.

The Temple-Belton Community Bible Study (CBS) adult class, an in-depth interdenominational Bible study available to all. The class meets weekly. There are four options to participate: (1) in person Monday Night at 7 p.m. (open to males, females or co-ed [mixed core group]); (2) Wednesday mornings in person (open to Females) from 10-11:30 a.m., both of these groups will meet at Immanuel Prince of Peace, 1215 South Wall St., Belton. The third (3) and fourth (4) option is online (Zoom) that is on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. and the fourth (4) option is online (Zoom) that will be held Tuesday from noon-1 p.m. This class is open to all adults.

Individuals may choose to participate in core groups for males, females, or co-ed - mixed group [male and female].

To register or to obtain additional information, go to templebeltoneve.cbsclass.org.

For questions contact the class coordinator at (254) 718-6104 after 5:30 p.m. or to call during work hours call: (254) 231-2393.



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	6:00p - Adult Bible Studies
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Friday - Noon  
Saturday - 5:30 p.m.  
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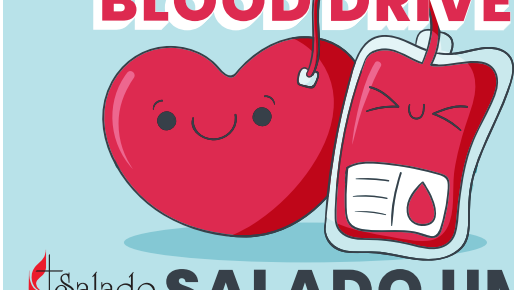
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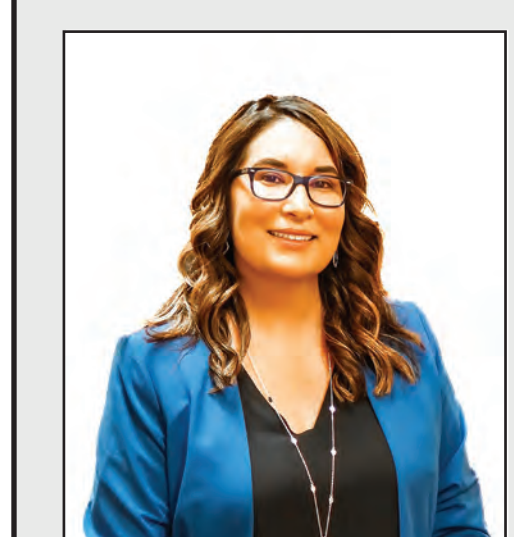
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(COURTESY PHOTO) Grace, the two-story Victorian farmhouse owned by Michael and Lesley MacDonald, sits at 714 Rose Way.

## Two-story Victorian farmhouse, moved to Salado from Round Rock

The two-story Victorian-era farmhouse at 714 Rose Way is another example of historic structures that have been relocated to Salado.

It was moved from its original location in Round Rock in 1995 by Jim and Daisy Nuse.

It features many original features, including transom windows, longleaf pine

floors and shiplap walls.

Current owners Michael and Lesley MacDonald have lovingly named their home, Grace.

Restorative home projects that are period-appropriate further celebrate the home's historic character and heritage. One such project was the installation of a beautiful mantle in the den, built by Austin company

Mauer from the same Victorian era.

The MacDonalds say they have found great joy in nesting and furnishing Grace with quality antiques found almost entirely locally.

"After landing in our literal dream home back in 2020, not only have we enjoyed supporting our Salado economy with locally acquired pieces, we have benefited from the greatest gift of all - community and friendship found along the way," said Lesley MacDonald.

Nestled between lazy oak and elm, you'll find the MacDonalds savoring their days in Grace.

Salado has several other examples of historic

structures being relocated and restored, including the Reed cabin, the Veranda, the storefronts at Salado Square, the manor and Holland House at Inn on the Creek, the Allen Chapel and Baylor House at the Salado Inn, the Critchfield House and the cabins at the Rose Mansion, the Boles-Aiken cabin, the Denman cabin and the Hutchens writing shack.

Salado Historical Society has raised enough money to move the Old Church Place from its location on the west side of Main St. to the grounds of the Salado Civic Center. It will continue fundraising in order to add storage and functional space on the back of the building.

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Joy of Chocolate award winners (l-r): Kieron Cale, Cara Stanton, Lori Johnson, Stella Manquinaldez, Kinsey Yawn, Sarah Yawn, and Momyka Garcia. (COURTESY PHOTO)



Youth: Chef first place: Chocolate Cheesecake by Kieron Cale. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)



Adult: Chef first place and public third place- Scientifically Chocolate Cake by Lori Johnson. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)



Adult: Public first place and chef second place, display award- Chocolate Cake by Sarah Yawn. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)



Youth: Public vote first place- Molten Lava Explosion Cookies by Cara Stanton. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

# Joy of Chocolate

The Joy of Chocolate competition was held at the Salado Public Library, Saturday, Feb. 3.

"We had 131 people come through to taste!" Alice Cooper said.

Competition results are as follows:

### ADULTS

**Chef Vote**  
 Chef first place: Lori Johnson Scientifically chocolate cake.

Chef 2nd place: Sarah Yawn - chocolate cake.

Display: Sarah Yawn chocolate cake.

### Public Vote

First place: Sarah Yawn - chocolate cake.

Second place: Momyka Garcia- Reese's peanut butter cupcakes.

Third place: Lori Johnson- Scientifically chocolate cake.

### YOUTH

**Chef Vote**  
 Chef first place: Kieron Cale- Chocolate cheese-cake.

Chef second place: Cara Stanton- Molten Lava Explosion Cookies.

Display : Colton Chennault- Life is like a box of

chocolates.

### Public vote

First place: Cara Stanton- Molten Lava Explosion cookies.

Second Place: Stella Manquinaldez- Chocolate Cheesecake.

Third place: Kinsey Yawn- Chocolate overflow cake.

Salado Public Library is located at 1151 N. Main St. Events can be found on the Salado Village Voice Calendar events or at www.saladolibrary.org .

## Calendar of Events

### February 22

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

### February 22

Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., Frankie G.

### February 22-24

Central Texas Youth Rodeo Association Rodeo, Heritage Country Church, 9677 Lark Trail, Salado. Thursday starts at 7 p.m. Friday starts at 7 p.m. Saturday starts at 6 p.m. Order of Events: Poles, Straights, Goats, Barrels, Chute Dogging, Dbl Mugging, Tie Down, Ribbons, Breakaway and Team Roping.

### February 23

St. Stephen Catholic Church Lenten Fish Fry benefiting the church youth programs, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Drive-through pick up all orders. Stay and eat or take home. Dinner includes fish, french fries, hush puppies, beans, cole slaw and dessert for \$15 per plate. Orders larger than four plates must pre-order at pro-life@saintstephenchurch.org.

### February 23

Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., J&J Breakaway.

### February 23

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

### February 23

Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., Kyle Mathis.

### February 24

Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m., Donnie Dodson.

### February 23-24

Blow-Your-Own St. Patrick's Day Event at Salado Glassworks. Blown Mug, Sipper or Tumbler, \$90 (ages 12+). Fridays 3-5 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Registration opens January 23. Register online at saladoglassworks.com.

### February 24

Teens/YA Switch Games, 1 p.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

### February 24

Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., KCD Band.

### February 25

Prep classes for the Salado Starlets dance team, 2-4 p.m. at Thomas Arnold Elementary 3 gymnasium. Preparing for tryout week Feb. 25-March 1.

### February 25

Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m., Karen & Chris.

### February 25-March 1

Tryout week for Salado Starlets dance team. First meeting for girls trying out, 4:15 p.m. at Thomas Arnold Elementary 3 Gymnasium. Prep days 5-7 p.m. at 3 Gym, 5-7 p.m. Tryouts 5 p.m. March 1 at TAE 3 Gym. Wear throughout the week: black fitted top, black leggings, tennis shoes or half soles, hair in ponytail and red lipstick.

### February 25

Parent info meeting on new Middle School dance team, the Salado Starlets, 5 p.m. at Thomas Arnold Elementary 3 Gym. Tryout prep week will be March 21-24.

### February 26

Fraud Prevention Class with Cadence Bank and Constable Rolly, Correa, 10-11 a.m. Salado Senior Center, 650 Royal St. RSVP at least a week beforehand at Senior

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### Center.

### February 26

Arts & Crafts with Joan Smith. Salado Senior Center, 650 Royal St. RSVP at least a week beforehand at Senior Center.

### February 26

Salado Public Library Board of Directors meeting, 4:30 p.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

### February 26

Public Arts League annual Taste of Salado, Tenroc Ranch, 5 p.m. Happy Hour, 6:30 p.m. dinner goodies provided by area restaurants. Tickets \$30 at centraltexasstickets.com.

### February 28

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

### February 29

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.

### February 29

Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., TBD.

### March 1

St. Stephen Catholic Church Lenten Fish Fry benefiting the church youth programs, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Drive-through pick up all orders. Stay and eat or take home. Dinner includes fish, french fries, hush puppies, beans, cole slaw and dessert for \$15 per plate. Orders larger than four plates must pre-order at pro-life@saintstephenchurch.org.

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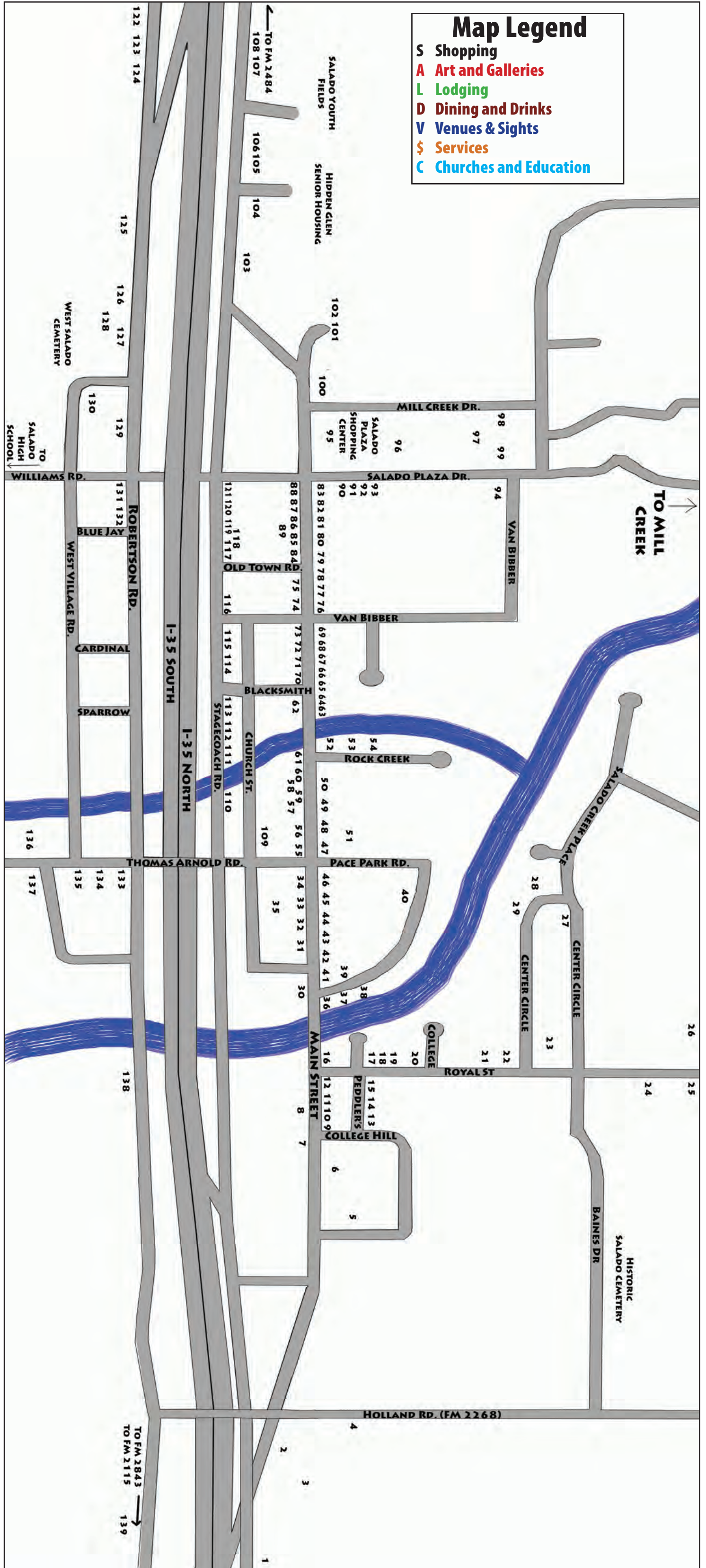
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# Shopping Map of Salado

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- 7 **Raney & Assoc. Real Estate** \$  
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- 8 **StageCoach Inn** D  
**Shady Villa** L  
254-947-5111
- 9 **Salado Museum** V  
254-947-5232  
**Salado Visitors Center & Tourism** \$  
254-947-8634  
**Salado Chamber of Commerce** \$  
254-947-5040  
**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
- 17 **Barrow Brewing Co.** D  
254-947-3544  
**Happy Pizza** \$  
254-226-1684
- 21 **The Venue** V  
254-947-5554  
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254-293-6600
- 22 **The Shed** D  
254-947-1960
- 24 **Tablerock** V
- 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 **Farmers Insurance** \$  
254-947-0995
- 34 **First Community Title** \$  
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254-947-5060
- 48 **Nancy Best Real Estate** \$  
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- 48 **Salado Luxury Properties** \$  
254-526-6611
- 56 **Salado Creek Jewelry** S  
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- 62 **The Pizza Place** D  
254-947-0222
- 75 **Stage Stop Center** \$  
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- 76 **Salado Civic Center** \$  
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- 81 **Salado Wine Seller and Salado Winery Co.** D  
254-947-8011
- 82 **St. Joseph's Episcopal Church** C  
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254-947-5241
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**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 |                                 |





Kinsey Yawn wins possession of the ball against Brownwood in Salado's 5-0 win. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

## Lady Eagles are top of state

Salado varsity Lady Eagle Soccer team has a perfect record and is on top of the state rankings after wins over Academy and Brownwood last week.

The girls earned their third district shut out, beating Academy 7-0 on Feb. 2.

The first goal was scored by Lexi Rice from Emily Lemus. Then, Rachel Bender chipped the ball over the defense to Shelby Hollywood who scored. Next, Lexi Rice scored off a cross from Cassie Vargas. Hollywood scored again from Skylar Gardner. Freshman Cora Thomas assisted Kinsey Yawn. Then, Rylee Young put the ball in the back of the net. Finally, Cade Harris scored off a cross by Rylee Young.

"Shout out to Taylor Dabney for another shut out in goal and also to Kinsey Yawn for making amazing offensive plays, defending

our backline, and showing her dedication," Coach Michael Goos said.

Salado Lady Eagles shut out Brownwood 5-0 on Jan. 30. The first goal was by Izzy Blancaflor off of a ball that Shelby Hollywood sent flying over Brownwood's back line.

To start the second half Hollywood scored off a cross from Lexi Rice. Then, when the Lady Eagles got a free kick Cassie Vargas sent the ball into the box which Lexi Rice put away with her head. Soon after, Reese Lange dribbled through the defense and scored. Finally the 5th point of the night was Hollywood's second goal from Cade Harris.

"Taylor Dabney and Cambry Edmondson shared another shutout in goal," Coach Michael Goos said. "Jill Taylor displayed her impressive defensive skills and her hustle and dedica-

tion last night."

Earlier in the evening, the JV Lady Eagles soccer team took on Brownwood for another strong district win. Avery Hibner and Lucy Johnson began the goal scoring kicking off the game the right way. Lucy then assisted Georgia Sitz for a third goal. Kenadi Smith then scored from Georgia Sitz, Presley Goos from Kenadi Smith, followed by Lucy Johnson from Kenadi. Brownwood snuck in two goals of their own, but Salado finished out the game with another goal from Presley Goos with an assist from Valerie for the 7-2 final score.

"Shout out to the Eagles strong defense that kept control enabling offense to score some goals," Coach Amy Thomas said.

## SHS films advance

UIL released results of the preliminary rounds for the 2024 UIL Young Filmmakers contest on Jan. 29. The Salado Film Squad had five films qualify for the state quarterfinals. Semi-finalist will be announced this week. The UIL State Filmmakers Festival will be Feb. 28 at the LBJ Auditorium at the University of Texas.

Salado High School has won 7 State Championships and 19 films have premiered at The State Filmmakers Festival since the contest began in 2014. Amanda Sgobbo and Ben Wickert are the defending state champions, winning in 2022 and 2023.

Advancing 2024 Salado films were:  
Narrative

Torn - Produced by Amanda Sgobbo and Ben Wickert

In this short thriller film, witness how the protagonist finds herself entangled in a series of disappearances terrorizing the town of Waypoint.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5T12Xa22d0M>

Fireflies - Produced by Kinsley Free

Fireflies is the story of a young abused girl who finds refuge in a field of fireflies. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fGz\\_pLKr0bo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fGz_pLKr0bo)

Fletcher's Ghost - Produced by Thomas Novotony and Will Tarver

Two below average IQ teenagers enter a haunted antique shop with a complicated and bloody history. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sJJ1\\_u9giXE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sJJ1_u9giXE)

Documentary

Someday - Produced by Kirbee Webb

Someday is the story of how Chris's life was changed through adoption, but still has many questions. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vXDSbWHxtXI>

Traditional Animation

Compensate - Produced by Segiv Eldridge

Boy and his best friend find a vape on the ground. Hopefully, nothing bad happens?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fm8s0KYt-MI>



Salado wrestlers will be going to the Regional meet Feb. 9-10. Shown above are (from left) asst. coach Nathan Carman, Keagan Sieracki, Zachary Mathie, London Woods, Nathan Rechtfertig and head coach Kris Perkins. (COURTESY PHOTO)

## Wrestlers qualify for Regionals

The Salado boys varsity wrestling team placed eighth out of 15 teams at the 10-5A District Wrestling Meet last week.

The boys had two individual district champions.

Keagan Sieracki and Nathan Rechtfertig were the number 1 seed going into the tournament.

Keagan Sieracki was the 126 pound champion. Keagan is a two time district champion

Nathan Rechtfertig was the 138 pound champion. This will be Nathan's second time at the regional tournament.

Zachary Manthie was the district runner up at 157 pounds. This will be Zach's second time at the regional tournament.

All three boys will have an automatic bid to regionals Feb. 9-10.

Phoenix Flores placed sixth.

Hunter Manthie scored 4 points for the team

Salado's lone girl wrestler, London Woods was crowned champion in the 132 pound weight class.

London is a two time district champion. London placed 10th out of 13 teams.

## Eagles 3-0 in district

Salado Eagles improved to 3-0 in district play with a 16-0 stomping of Little River Academy Feb. 2.

Salado Eagles defeated

Brownwood 5-0 in a district matchup on the road Jan. 30. Scoring for the Eagles were Luke Anderson, 2 goals, Gabe Merriman, 2 goals,

Peyton Bivens, 1 goal. Morgan Adams, Davis Kasper and Thad Heckman all had assists in the win.

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# Eagles fall to Gatesville, Robinson



Kase Maedgen goes up against Evan Moreno of Robinson. (PHOTO ROYCE WIGGIN)

Salado Eagles lost both of their district basketball games last week, to drop to 9-21 and 1-6 in district.

The Eagles lost to Gatesville 67-47 and 60-49 to Robinson.

SHS 47  
GHS 67

Salado lost to Gatesville 67-47 on Feb. 2.

Levi Ball led Salado with 16 points, 7 rebounds, an assist, a deflection and a steal.

Mason Brown followed with 12 points, 2 rebounds, an assist, deflections and 2 steals.

Also scoring were Kase Maedgen, 6 points, 4 assists, 3 deflections and 2 steals; BJ Amann, 5 points, a rebound, 3 assists and a deflection; Colby Ramm, 3 points, an assist and a steal; Mekhi Lanier, 2 points, 3 rebounds and an assist; Houston Thomas, 2 points, 2 rebounds, an assist and a deflection; Korbin Konarik, 1 point and 2 steals; Dawson Barksdale, a rebound, an assist and a block and Nathan Tanner, 2 assists.

SHS 49  
RHS 60

Salado lost to Robinson 49-60 on Jan. 30.

Levi Ball led the Eagles with 14 points, 4 rebounds, 5 assists, a steal and a 3 blocks.

BJ Amann scored 12 points, 6 rebounds and a block.

Colby Ramm scored 11 points, 3 rebounds, 2 assists and a deflection.

Also scoring were Kase Maedgen, 9 points, 4 rebounds, 3 assists and a deflection; Korbin Konarik, 3 points, 3 rebounds, an assist and 3 deflections; Mason Brown, 3 rebounds, 2 assists and a block; Mekhi Lanier, 2 rebounds and an assist and Dawson Barksdale, a rebound.



Senior Lexi Dudeczka will continue her softball career at the collegiate level, playing for University of Texas at Dallas Comets. She has been a Salado Lady Eagles varsity starter since her freshman year and has been named the team Offensive MVP all three years. She was named to the first team All District as a freshman and a sophomore. As a junior, she was District Offensive MVP. She had 132 plate appearances with a batting average of .477, an on-base percentage of .573, a .710 slugging percentage. She had 31 hits with 3 homeruns, 24 RBI, 42 runs scored, 24 walks and 17 stolen runs. As a sophomore, she had a .412 batting average, with 40 hits, 20 RBI, 31 runs scored, 18 walks and 8 stolen bases. As a freshman, she had a .430 batting average, 37 hits, 5 RBI, 37 runs scored and 31 stolen bases. Shown above (from left) her father Robert Dudeczka, Lexi, her mother Tammy Dudeczka, and younger sister Izzy. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

# Lady Eagles tied for second in district

Salado Lady Eagles are tied with Waco Connally for second place in District 23-4A basketball with 6-3 records after beating Gatesville and Robinson.

Salado faced China Spring after presstime Feb. 6, while Connally faced Robinson. If both teams win, they will play flip a coin to decide seeding for the playoffs.

SHS 79  
GHS 25

Salado Lady Eagles trounced the Gatesville Lady Hornets 79-25 on the road Feb. 2 to improve to 19-12 and 6-3 in district play.

Ally Ihler led the girls with 21 points.

Karlee Konarik followed with 12 points.

Ariel Cebreco had 10 points.

Also scoring were Brylee Craddick, 9 points, Lorali Bookout, 7 points, Kate Maedgen, 6 points, Elsie Law, 6 points, Grace Riggs, 4 points and Riley Guthrie, 2 points.

SHS 67  
RHS 35

Salado Lady Eagles jumped out to a 22-11 first quarter lead and never let up, beating the Robinson Lady Rockets 67-35 on Jan. 30.

Karlee Konarik led the girls with 19 points, 2 rebounds, 3 assists, 9 deflections, 6 steals.

Elsie Law followed with 18 points, 4 rebounds, 2 assists, 2 deflections, 2 steals and a block.

Also scoring for the Lady



Karlee Konarik puts up a shot against Robinson. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Eagles were Brylee Craddick, 8 points, 2 rebounds, 3 assists, 4 deflections and 2 steals; Ally Ihler, 6 points, 2 rebounds, an assist, 7 deflections, a steal and a block; Giselle Salazar, 4 points, 2 rebounds, 3 assists, 7 deflections, 2 steals and a block; Lorali Bookout, 3 points, 3 rebounds, 5 assists, 7 deflections and a steal; Riley Guthrie, 3 points, 2 rebounds and 2 deflections; Kate Maedgen, 2 points, a rebound, an assist, 3 deflections and 2 steals; Abigail Klein, 2 points, an assist and a steal and Ariel Cebreco, a deflection.

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Public Arts League art exhibit winners (from left) Katherine Haltom, Ben Wickert and Emerson Black. (COURTESY PHOTO)

# Congratulation to SHS artists

Congratulations to our Salado High School students and art teacher Kyra Mann for their success in our art exhibit and competition. Thank you to the Public Arts League of Salado (PALS) for sponsoring this event and the Salado Museum for hosting it. Thanks also to local artist Kay Griffith for judging the artwork.

The following students earned awards in their respective categories:

Drawing: first place

# Superintendent's Corner

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\$100 gift certificate, Ben Wickert; honorable mention ribbon, Isabela Ponce-Bargaza; honorable mention ribbon, Kaitlyn Morgan; honorable mention ribbon, Isaac Steele

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Mixed Media: first place \$100 gift certificate, Emerson Black



Cast and crew of Salado Middle School One Act Play are (from left) Cecilia Hill, Easton Bullock, Emma Rose, Nek Ibarra, Brady Hintze, Chloe Cashio, Gracie Elliott, Lindsey Hicks, Cody Danekas, Savannah Bradley, Valaria Hernandez, Ryley Klechka, Haven Butler, Zeegan Purcell, Piper Gillette, Aidan Turley, Bethany McIntosh, and Daytona Sturges. Not pictured is Giselle Rueda and Justice Fettig. (COURTESY PHOTO).

## SMS wins District 1-Act Play

Salado Middle School One Act Play won the District 23-4A championship Jan. 26-27 at China Spring Performing Arts Center. Salado performed the play Gossip by Brian Hampton. It is a comedy about how quickly gossip can infiltrate a school and cause all kinds of damage. The play was directed by Tana Free, who has taught in Salado ISD for 10 years now. She has taught kindergarten and sixth grade. She has been directing the Middle School One Act play since 2018.

This is her second win. The Salado Middle School One Act Play also won in 2020 and was directed by Mrs. Free and Darcy Madsen.

"There isn't a UIL competition that provides a more unique learning experience for students," she said. Students must learn their lines, blocking, manage props and set pieces, and then when it comes time for the competition, they are on their own on that stage. They must make it work without the intervention of the director. That makes for some great

problem-solving skills."

The following actors received individual acting honors for their roles in addition to the UIL gold medal for 1st place in the district:

Val Hernandez- Awarded the Gold Medal for Best Performer overall

Aidan Turley- Awarded All-Star Cast

Zeegan Purcell-Awarded All-Star Cast

Brady Hintze-Awarded All-Star Cast

Ryley Klechka- Awarded Honorable Mention All-

Star Cast

Savannah Bradley-Awarded Honorable Mention All-Star Cast

Bethany McIntosh-Awarded Outstanding Tech Crew

The rest of the cast and crew included : Cody Danekas, Haven Butler, Piper Gillette, Emma Rose, Cecilia Hill, Gracie Elliott, Lindsey Hicks, Addi Nobles, Easton Bullock, Chloe Cashio, Justice Fettig, Giselle Rueda, Nek Ibarra, Daytona Sturges

## SMS UIL Academic District results

Salado Middle School students recently competed in the UIL Academic District Meet with the following results.

### Calculator

Sixth Grade: Ryan Desjardin, first

Seventh Grade: Julia Hehli, first; Riley Engdale, third.

Eighth Grade: Natasha Crocker, second; Ryley Klechka, third; Maggie Haney, fourth.

### Chess Puzzle

Sixth Grade: Jude Hercules, second; Malachi Gunn, fifth.

Seventh Grade: Kati Cade, fourth.

Eighth Grade: Haven Butler, sixth.

### Editorial Writing

Sixth Grade: Addison Gunter, sixth.

Eighth Grade: Maggie Haney, first; Lindsey Hicks, second; Chloe Sulak, fourth.

### Listening

Seventh Grade: Riley Engdale, first.

### Mathematics

Sixth Grade: Max Tonkinson, first; Kylie Schuler, third.

Seventh Grade: Jackson Kilpatrick, first; Parker Ihler, fourth.

Eighth Grade: Maggie Haney, fifth.

### Modern Oratory

Sixth Grade: Jeffrey Taylor, sixth.

Eighth Grade: Elena Lo-

gan, second; Aubri Heck, third.

### Music Memory

Seventh Grade: Liam O'Neal, third; Jaylin Wolfe, fourth; Racey Hilton, fifth.

Eighth Grade: Selestte Hubbard, first; Nic Salter, third.

### Number Sense

Sixth Grade: Bodhi Campbell, sixth.

Seventh Grade: Parker Ihler, first; Julia Hehli, third.

### Oral Reading

Eighth Grade: Val Hernandez, sixth.

### Ready Writing

Sixth Grade: Isabella Salinas, third.

Eighth Grade: Avery Dunlap, fourth.

### Science I/II

Sixth Grade: Hailey Page, fifth.

Seventh Grade: Jackson Kilpatrick, second, Julia Hehli, third.

Eighth Grade: Maggie Haney, sixth.

### Spelling

Seventh Grade: Pierson Montgomery, third; Mya Terwilliger, fifth.

Academic coaches are Angela Sitz, Matt Steinohrt, Mary Stahnke, Becky Niebuhr, Matt Figlestahler, Annie Ewton, Jon Gardner, Tana Free, Pan Sulak, Ashley Louder, and Laura Tomlin for their success at the district meet. The results are attached.

## Academic squad takes 5th at Round Rock

Salado Academic UIL placed fifth out of a field of 26 teams at the Round Rock Invitational meet recently. Most of the schools were 5A and 6A schools. Salado was first place out of the 4A schools.

### Academics

Number Sense: third place team (Luke Drigalla, Chloe Rose, and the following students all tied for the third highest score used to determine team score: El-

liot Self, Mason Olson, and Jack Cabaniss). Luke Drigalla, fifth place

Calculator: first place team (Paige Fariss, Ty Castro, Matthew Cabaniss). Paige Fariss, second place; Ty Castro, third place; Matthew Cabaniss, sixth place

Mathematics: second place team (Drigalla, Fariss, Elliot Self). Luke Drigalla, second place; Paige Fariss, third place.

Spelling: first place

team (Ethan Sunshine, Davis Graham, Anna Engdale). Ethan Sunshine, first place; Davis Graham, sixth place.

Computer Applications: Austin Hollas, first place; Kase Maedgen, sixth place.

Speech and Debate Overall Speech team: first place

Informative Speaking: Laura Ball, first place

Persuasive Speaking: Callum Campbell, second

place; Liam Baird, fifth place.

Novice Cross Exam Debate: Peyton Whitaker/Adelaide Shenkir, first place

Varsity Cross Exam Debate: Wesley Engleking(maverick), second place

Varsity Lincoln Douglas Debate: Laura Ball, third place; Callum Campbell, fifth place

## Academic, speech team competes at Midway

Salado High School Speech and Academic team competed in the Waco Midway tournament Feb. 3.

Spelling: first place team (Sunshine, Graham, Rachel Bender). Ethan Sunshine, first place and Davis Graham, second place.

The speech team won the overall speech sweepstakes with the following competitors.

Cross Exam Debate: Krystle Vazquez/Wesley Engleking, second place and Peyton Whitaker/Adelaide Shenkir, third place.

Lincoln-Douglass Debate: Laura Ball, second place; Callum Campbell, third place.

Informative Speaking: Sydney Engleking, first place; Hudson Hawkins, third place and Addy McCain, fifth place.

Persuasive Speaking: Sydney Engleking, first place; Addy McCain, second place and Hudson Hawkins, fourth place.

Poetry: Sean Murray, third place; Zeina Halabi, fourth place and Grace Tipping, sixth place.

## Girls take third in powerlifting meet

Salado girls powerlifting team placed third at the Kyle Lehman High School Meet.

Girls had the following individual results.

Olivia Walrath: first place, total 970 lbs.

Lindsay Sula: first place, total 865 lbs.

Jordan Schaub: second place, total 915 lbs.

Maddie Casper: third place, total 835 lbs.

Eva Alcozer: third place, total 520 lbs.

Lily Salguero: fourth place, total 620 lbs.

Allison Alcozer: fifth place, total 715 lbs.

Payton Cunningham: fifth place, total 605 lbs.

Allyson Gouveia: total 545 lbs.; Claire Gouveia: total 495 lbs.; Addison Matthews: total 585 lbs.; Jolee Lindsey: total 555 lbs. (un-equipped); Riley Guthrie: total 680 lbs.; Braelynn Hendricks: total 675 lbs.

and Aubree Zammatt: total 505 lbs.

Noah Stephens placed second in the varsity boys division with a total lift of 925 lbs.

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02/01	ANNAS SPRING DR, Bell	Good intent call, other
02/01	E CREEKVIEW DR, Bell	EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury
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"It is important that we find ways to honor the men and women whose sacrifices make the freedom we enjoy across our nation possible," said Commissioner Buckingham. "Participating in the VLB's Valentines

for Vets initiative is a simple, but meaningful way to show our appreciation and respect for Texas Veterans."

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