

Super Tuesday on horizon

Texans will join 14 other states and a U.S. territory on Super Tuesday March 5.

The states and territory participating in Super Tuesday are these: Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia and American Samoa.

In Texas, In-Person Early Voting will continue 7 a.m.-7 p.m. through March 1.

Bell County Early Voting locations are these:

Early Voting will be conducted in person each week-day at:

Bell County Belton Annex, 550 East 2nd Ave., Belton.

Bell County Annex, 304 Priest Drive Killeen.

Jackson Professional Learning Center, 902 Rev R A Abercrombie Dr. Killeen.

Senior Center at Lions Club Park, 1700 E. Stan Schlueter Loop, Killeen.

Temple ISD Admin Building, 401 Santa Fe Way, Temple.

Salado Church of Christ Activities Center, 225 North Church St., Salado.

Harker Heights Parks & Recreation Center, 307 Millers Crossing, Harker Heights.

Morgan's Point Event Center, 60 Morgan's Point Blvd. Morgan's Point Resort.

On Primary Election Day March 5, you may vote at any of the 42 Bell County polling places.

Polling locations can be found here: https://www.bellcountytexas.com/departments/elections/election_day_locations.php

You may apply to vote by mail, if you meet any of the following standards:

- 65 years or older;
- sick or disabled;
- out of the county on election day AND the entire period of early voting;
- expected to give birth within three weeks before or after election day; or
- confined to jail, but otherwise eligible to vote

Those who are voting by mail may submit their ballots to: Bell County Elections Department, P.O. Box 1629, Belton, TX 76513.

The deadline for receiving ballots by mail (must be postmarked by election day) is March 5.



Clydesdales coming to Salado

The famous Budweiser Clydesdales will visit Salado on March 2. They will stop at the Salado Civic Center on Main, where they will disembark from the trailer. The team will be tacked up and made ready to pull the Budweiser wagon for a parade that will go south down Main Street, across the Salado Creek bridge, turn around on south Main St. and make its way back to the Salado Civic Center. The parade down Main St. is expected to begin at 2 p.m. March 2. Folks will have a chance to visit the Clydesdales before and after the parade. Main St. will be closed to traffic during the parade itself. (COURTESY PHOTO)

Candidates stay on Village ballot

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Two candidates for the Village of Salado Board of Aldermen will remain on the ballot despite their applications being incomplete.

Village administrator Manny De La Rosa stated that one candidate's application was "determined to be compliant in accordance with a Supreme Court of Texas case, 22-0193 In re Linda Anthony, Relator, On Petition for Writ of Mandamus."

Michael MacDonald failed to enter his Occupation on the application to be on the ballot.

De La Rosa stated that a second candidate's application "Was not reviewed in accordance with the state Election Code, Section 141.032(b)" requiring review to be completed within five days after the application is received.

"The candidate submitted the application timely and if the Village would have reviewed the application, it could have provided time for the candidate to file a new application for the Alderman position," De La Rosa stated. "I believe in being fair and equitable in all situations. Since the Village failed to review the application, I have decided that the candidate will stay on the ballot."

"I recognize that the decision my be challenged or overruled by a court having jurisdiction," De La Rosa stated. "I believe that voters should decide a candidate's fate through a democratically held election or a court issue order, rather than be disqualified by an employee."

Alderman Paul Cox filed his application to be placed on the ballot on Jan. 22. On the application, Cox failed

to check either choice in the Felony Conviction Status section: "1. I have not been finally convicted of a felony. 2. I have been finally convicted of a felony, but I have been pardoned or otherwise released from the resulting disabilities of that felony conviction and I have provided proof of this fact with the submission of this application." Cox also failed to mark in the office for which he filed.

Cooper Gill filed on Feb. 20 as a write-in candidate for the Salado ISD Board of Trustees.

He filed originally to appear on the Salado ISD ballot; however, his application was incomplete and could not be accepted by the school district.

Chris Diem filed for reelection to the SISD Board of Trustees.

Michael Apodaca filed for election to the SISD Board of Trustees.

This is not the only time candidates have filed incomplete applications to appear on ballots.

In 2016, two candidates in Village of Salado races and one candidate in the Salado ISD race had filed incomplete applications to appear on the ballot. Then-Mayor Skip Blancett and Amber Preston-Dankert learned on the last day to file as a Write-In Candidate that their applications to appear on the ballot were rejected as being incomplete. Both won election as write-in candidate. Michael Matthews, who had filed an application for a place on the 2016 Salado ISD Trustee ballot, had to file as a write-in candidate when it was learned that his original application was incomplete. He lost his bid for election.



Depiction of the front entrance of the 250,000 sq. ft. new Salado High School, which should open for the 2026-27 school year. Design by PBK.

SISD Bond Advisory Committee works on new HS with staff, architect

By TIM FLEISCHER
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Salado ISD is set to open the new high school on Williams Rd. for the 2026-27 school year.

The district, working with architectural firm PBK, construction manager at-risk Bartlett Cocke and a Bond Advisory Committee, will build a 250,000 sq. ft. two-story high school with a core capacity of 1,500 students and a classroom capacity of 1,000 students.

PBK has developed the design of the campus and will create the construction documents to prepare them to go out for bid July 13 for the \$179,307,000 high school. Construction will begin August 17.

The district funded \$110 million in bonds last week in initial funding for the bond projects approved by SISD voters Nov. 7. Voters approved two bond propositions. Proposition A, totaling \$235,960,000, will build the new high school, renovate Thomas Arnold Elementary school; repurpose existing high school for an intermediate school and fund

information technology infrastructure and HVAC replacements. Proposition B, totaling \$34,490,000, will fund construction of a new 5,000-seat stadium complex.

The district, according to Superintendent Michael Novotny, funded the initial \$110 million in bonds in order to avoid paying arbitrage on the additional income the district may make on investment of the bond funds. Dr. Novotny said the district hopes to avoid paying \$2 million in arbitrage.

The 250,000 sq. ft. high school will have the following facilities:

- CLASSROOMS**
- 30 General classrooms
 - Journalism and Yearbook Classroom
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 - GCS Lab
 - Speech Debate Room
 - Health Science Lab

- SPECIAL ED. SPACES**
- Three full-size special education classrooms
 - 2 Resource Rooms
 - Life Skills Kitchen
 - Occupational Therapy/Physical Therapy
 - Speech Therapy

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- 2 art classrooms with a kiln room in between.
- Production Stage facing cafeteria
- Theatre design room
- Theatre Classroom
- Choir Hall
- Band Hall
- 6 practice rooms, 3 ensemble rooms, percussion room

CAREER TECHNOLOGY

- Robotics classroom with attached STEM lab
- Computer Science Lab
- 2 Business Lab Classrooms
- Fabrication and Welding Lab

LIBRARY

- Vet Science Lab
- Floral Design Lab
- 3 Ag classrooms
- Culinary Lab and classroom
- Broadcasting Lab with Media Computer Lab

ATHLETICS

- Two Gyms: The competition gym will have 1,000 home seats and 400 visitor

seats. Seating will be elevated above the court.

- Dance/Cheer Hall
- Wrestling Room
- Training Room
- Weight room
- Lockers for all of the indoor sports

CAFETERIA

The cafeteria will have 8,200 sq. ft. with 500 dining capacity and 800 seating capacity for the attached elevated stage space.

STADIUM

Six months after construction begins on the new high school, work will begin on the 5,000-seat stadium complex.

Outdoor sports will have locker rooms and training spaces at the stadium.

By rotating crews from one job to the next, Dr. Ted Smith says the district expects to save an additional \$2 million. "They won't have to restage. They will move immediately from the high school to the stadium work," he said.

The stadium complex will be completed for fall 2026 football, which will be this reporter's 39th season of covering the Salado Eagles.

Existing home sales rose 3.1% Dec-Jan

The Markets

Our dear old friend, the often flawed but still best indicator in town, the S&P 500 Stock Index (SPX) finished out the week above the psychologically important 5000 level, closing at 5088.80, up 1.66% for the week, about 6.7% year to date, a whopping 28% higher than it stood at this time last year and up nearly 30% from this time three years ago. The charge this week was led by Nvidia as it hit the \$2 trillion valuation mark. The debate is open on how much and if Artificial Intelligence will change our lives and the economy, but there is no doubt that it has dramatically changed the stock market. Our other followed indicator, the CRSP US Mid-Cap Value Index rose 1.28% for the week to close at 2545.17, reflecting the condition of the stock market outside of the pernicious "Magnificent Seven" ultra large capitalization companies. It is up 1.21% this year, about 5.13% from a year ago, and 11.55% from three years ago.

The bond market, using the benchmark 10-year U.S. Treasury note yield as the indicator, has been headed in

Market & Economic Update

by Jeffrey W. McClure



the opposite direction with the 10-year yield standing at 4.26%, nearly 10% higher than when the year began. Bond values fall when rates rise. In what has become the new, if profoundly odd, normal, the highest yields remained at the very shortest maturities. The 2-month T-Bill was yielding 5.51% while the yield on the 30-year bond remained steadfastly at 4.37%. West Texas Intermediate crude oil (WTI) fell 3.35% for the week, to \$76.54 per barrel.

The Economy

What sociologists call the national and global "socio-economic system" and is very much the economic world in which we live, has not turned upside down, but does appear to be listing hard and could even be seen as being sideways from where it has been

for most if not all the adult lives of participants today. The Conference Board's Index of Leading Economic Indicators (LEI) has been falling for more than a year, a condition that in the past was a nearly certain harbinger of recessions. The Board announced this week that it fell even further in January, although at least the decline in the past few months has been slowing. One of the prime indicators in the LEI, the Treasury Yield Curve, has never been this inverted for this long without a major economic slowdown. Despite all the bad indicators, the U.S. economy not only keeps chugging along, but continues to surprise just about everyone we know or read with the growth it creates each month and each quarter. Meanwhile, Germany, the

United Kingdom (England), and Japan are in recessions and China, the recently seen as an unstoppable economic juggernaut, was at best in a no-growth environment and at worst was also slipping into reverse.

The United States Census released its Quarterly Services Survey on Thursday showing that in the 4th quarter of last year, services revenue in the United States rose 2.0% from the third quarter and was up 6.6% from the 4th quarter of the previous year, substantially beating estimates. The National Association of Realtors, on the same day, announced that existing home sales rose 3.1% in January from December, another surprise. If that wasn't enough good economic news, out came the Labor Department with the new jobless claims report for the week ending on the 17th showing new filings fell from last week's 213,000 to 201,000, close to a record low.

Again, the contrast was stark, as foreign capital investment in China dropped to the lowest level in 30 years, as the real estate crisis there got worse as the prolonged

fall in home prices appeared to be accelerating and Bundesbank forecast that the German economy was likely to continue to shrink most, if not all of this year.

Something fundamental has changed and it looks more and more like that fundamental change revolves around dramatic increases in productivity here in the U.S. that are not happening in the rest of the world. It is worth noting that Nvidia, the manufacturer of the "engines" that are powering the advances in artificial intelligence, is a U.S. company. Over the past few decades, digital innovation has largely been driven by instruments, chips, and other high-tech products manufactured in Europe or in China. During the last surge in technological innovation, one of the biggest players was Nokia, based in Finland. Even the digital revolution triggered by the iPhone was largely sourced from China. This AI revolution, which promises to be one of the largest innovative and productivity leaps in history, is fundamentally an American based event.

A lot is changing and the assumed causes and effects we have historically seen since the end of World War II may be vanishing, but the changes appear to be well taken in stride by the chaotic U.S. economy as it places the well-regulated economies of Europe and Japan and the centrally controlled economy of China in the rear-view mirror.

Your Voice

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

I received a campaign letter from Greg Abbott a couple of weeks ago touting his heroic fights against the Biden administration on several issues. I recall that ever since Abbott was elected to the Attorney General position and on through his tenure as Governor, his favored activity was to sue the federal government.

Now I think that this continual confrontation is not a very effective leadership style. It seems that cooperation is much better at solving problems than antagonism.

So I would propose a process to Governor Abbott that would solve state/federal problems more effectively. Work with the federal government to:

1. Define the problem,
2. Agree on an endpoint,
3. Develop processes for solving the problem.
4. Commit resources to jointly solve the problem.

I think that working together would go a long way to solving many of our problems, be they border issues, health care, poverty, or numerous others. Unless, of course, you do not want to solve the problem, which often appears to be the case.

Richard Egg
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Evelyn Anne Nicholson

Major Tyler and Megan Nicholson of San Antonio announce the birth of their daughter, Evelyn Anne Nicholson at 12:55 a.m. February 9, 2024. She weighed 5 lbs. 9 oz. and measured 18 inches at birth. The mother is a 2009 graduate of Salado High School. The father's hometown is Okinawa, Japan. Evelyn Anne was welcomed home by her older brother Alexander Charles Nicholson, three years old. Grandparents are Chris and Terri Seaton of Salado, Jerry and Alma Nicholson of Salado and June Nicholson and Hawari Habrawi of Okinawa, Japan. Local great grandparents are Hie and Anne Cowan and James and Diane Seaton, all of Salado.

Community Garden Clean Up

Salado Community Garden Spring Clean Up will be held noon-2 p.m., March 9.

A trailer will be available for debris. Water and snacks will be provided. There will be give away of garden seeds.

Plots are available for 2024, and it is renewal time for plots.

Community Garden board members are Lindy McClure, Carina Costa, and Jerry Her-

rick. For more information about the Salado Community Garden contact Jerry Herrick at 254-718-9620 or eherrick20@aol.com.

Daughters of the Republic of Texas meet March 20

A meeting of Ben Milam Chapter Daughters of the Republic of Texas (DRT) is scheduled for Wednesday, March 20, at 12:30 p.m. at Ronald McDonald House, Temple.

The guest speaker is Dan Elder "Battle of Bird's Creek."

Any woman having attained her 16 birthday is eligible for membership provided she is personally acceptable to DRT and is a

lineal descendant of a man or woman who rendered loyal service for Texas before the consummation of the Annexation Agreement of the Republic of Texas with the United States of America in 1846. A woman without a qualifying ancestor but interested in the goals and activities of DRT may apply to become an Associate Member. Guests are cordially invited.

APRIL 11

"Gathering of Givers" hosted by Salado Community Foundation

The Salado Community Foundation Board will host the first annual "Salado Gathering of the Givers" 8:30 -10:30 April 11 at the Salado Civic Center in the Board Room at 601 N. Main St.

"Salado Gathering of the Givers" is a meeting of the community of Salado Non Profits and 501c3 groups that have been invited for networking, coordinating and learning more about Salado's non profit resources in the village of Salado.

If your organization has not received an invitation to attend, contact mt-moore@saladocf.org.

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Tablerock Festival of Salado is embarking on its 31st year and is seeking to expand its production schedule and shows. "We're looking for volunteers to serve in every aspect of live theater. Not just on stage but behind the scenes, lighting and sound, concessions, tickets sales and costuming," explains Laurie Cahoon, vice president of Tablerock's board of directors.

The Tablerock board is inviting those interested to come to an informational gathering at Greenfield Coffee, Tea, Barrels & Brew, located at 555 Pace Park Road, Salado 6-8 p.m. Thursday, March 7. You will learn more about Tablerock Festival, the Good-night Amphitheater, its mission and vision, this is your opportunity to ask questions, offer suggestions and sign up for areas of interest. Complimentary appetizers will be provided.

Tablerock has many devoted fans and friends in the Central Texas area and

the board is calling on them to explore opportunities to become more involved. "There are many ways to volunteer and we're looking to grow our core volunteer group. It's essential for us to have volunteers to help mount the productions and bring on more shows," says board president Thom Wilson.

"Our board has recognized the need to upgrade some of the technical equipment that has been in place for many years. It's a big undertaking and we'll need funds to make it happen. Having more volunteers en-

ables there to be more and varied programs," Wilson explains. "Whether you're working the ticket booth or manning the concessions, running the lights or helping to dress the cast, volunteers are integral to each show's success."

"No matter if you have a little time or a lot of time, we can find a volunteer spot for you," Cahoon comments.

Tablerock Festival of Salado is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and all proceeds from performances go toward the upkeep of the facilities and scholarships.

Historic Society Potluck March 4

The Salado Historical Society announces an informal membership meeting 6 p.m. Monday, March 4, at the Church of Christ Activity Center, located at 225 N Church Street in Salado.

This event is open to the public and will be held as a Potluck, to include provided

pork loin with attendees to bring a side dish, salad, or dessert of their choice.

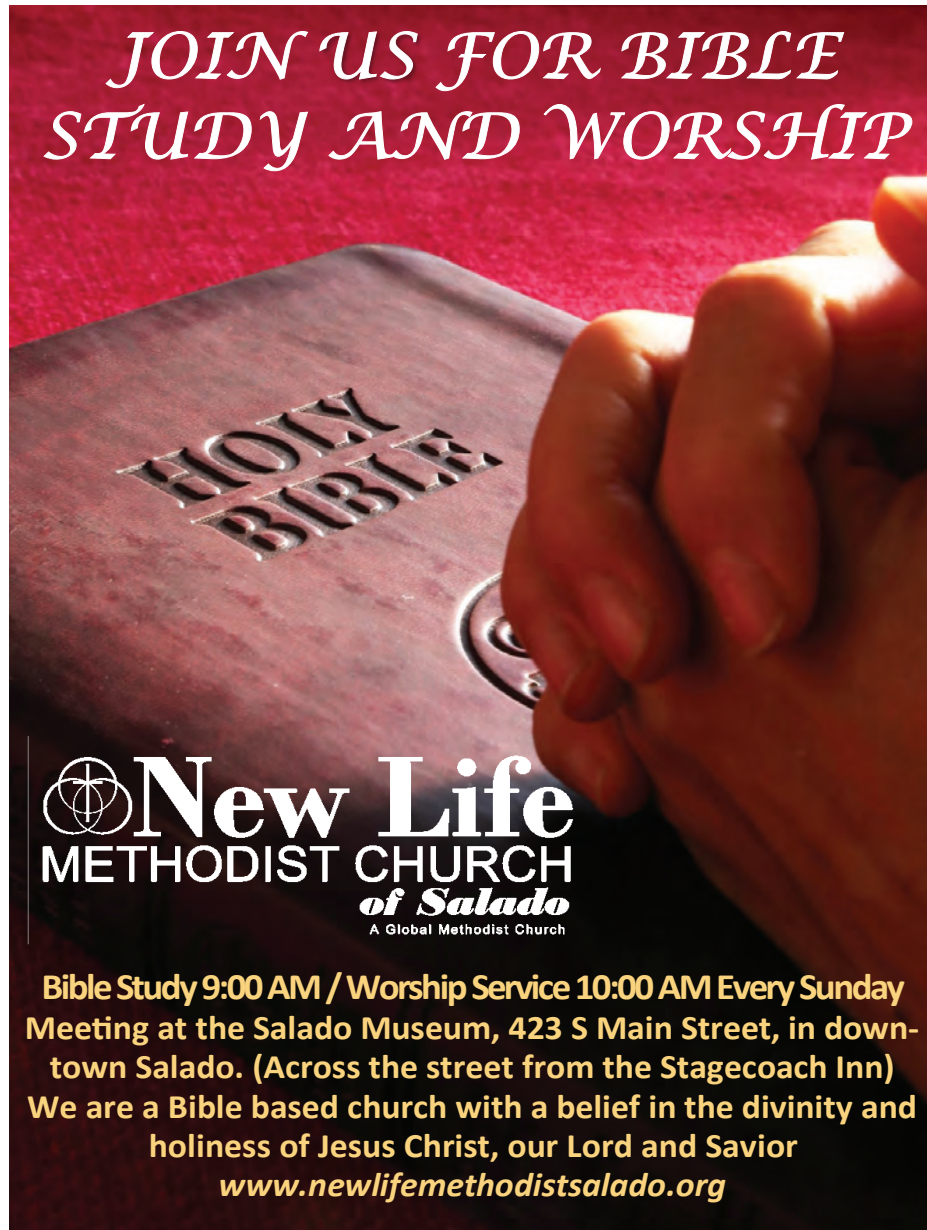
The Salado Historical Society welcomes the community to come together, share a meal, and delve into history. The highlight of the evening will be a presentation by local guest speaker Larnce Barker, President of Sons of the Republic of Texas, Sterling C. Robertson Chapter 22, that meets in Salado. Barker will share insights into key historical dates and their significance in Texas history:

- March 2, 1836 - Texas Declaration of Independence
- March 6, 1836 - The Battle of the Alamo
- April 21, 1836 - The Battle of San Jacinto
- February 19, 1845 - Statehood

This event offers an opportunity to gain a more in-depth understanding of Texas history.

The Salado Historical Society, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, encourages community involvement and supports its mission through in-kind donations and memberships available for \$25 (Single) or \$40 (Family) per year. By becoming a member, individuals contribute to the preservation of Salado's rich history and actively participate in enhancing the Village Community.

For further information, contact: Beverly Turnbo (254) 541-2125 or visit www.saladohistoricalsociety.com



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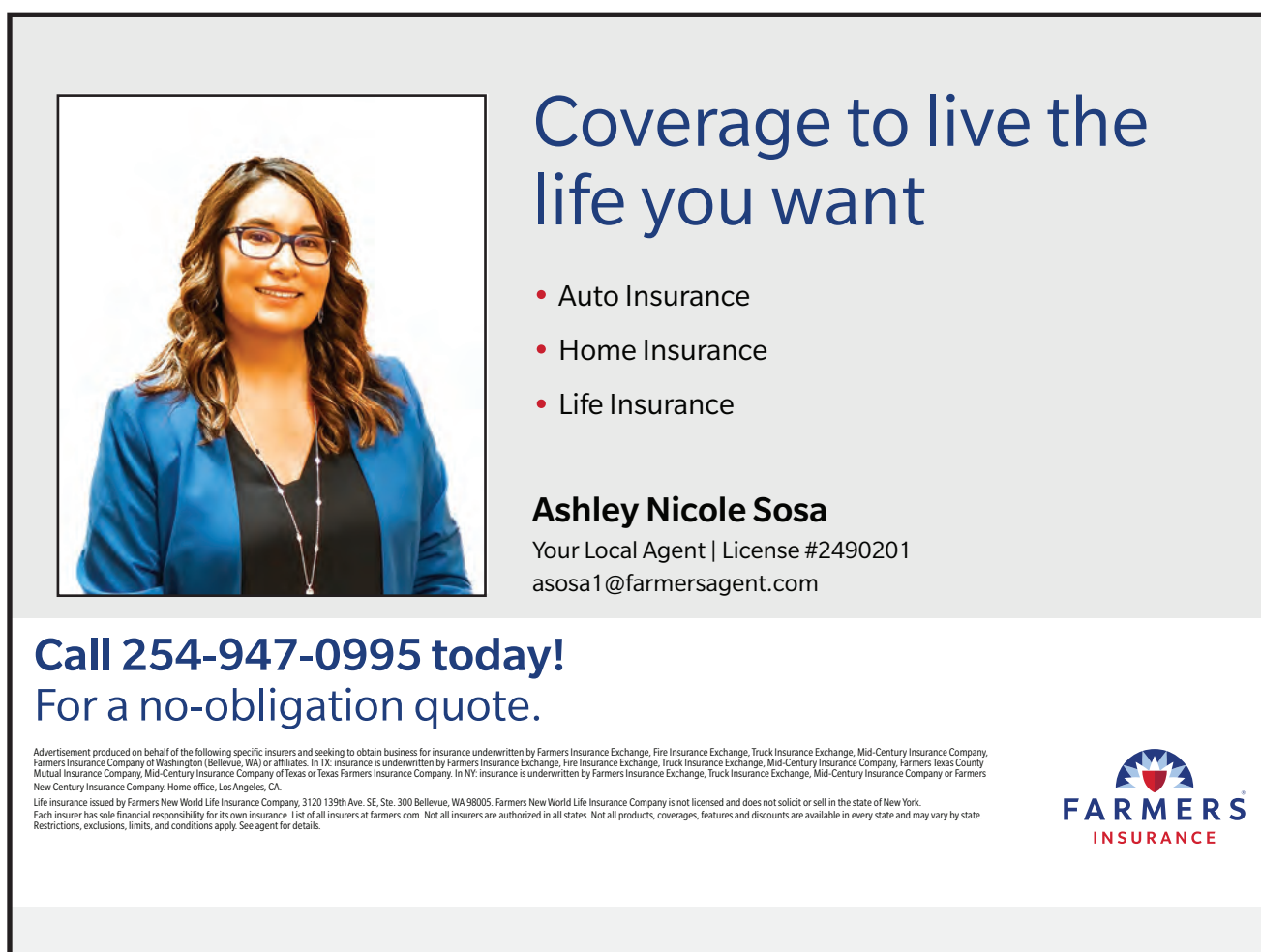
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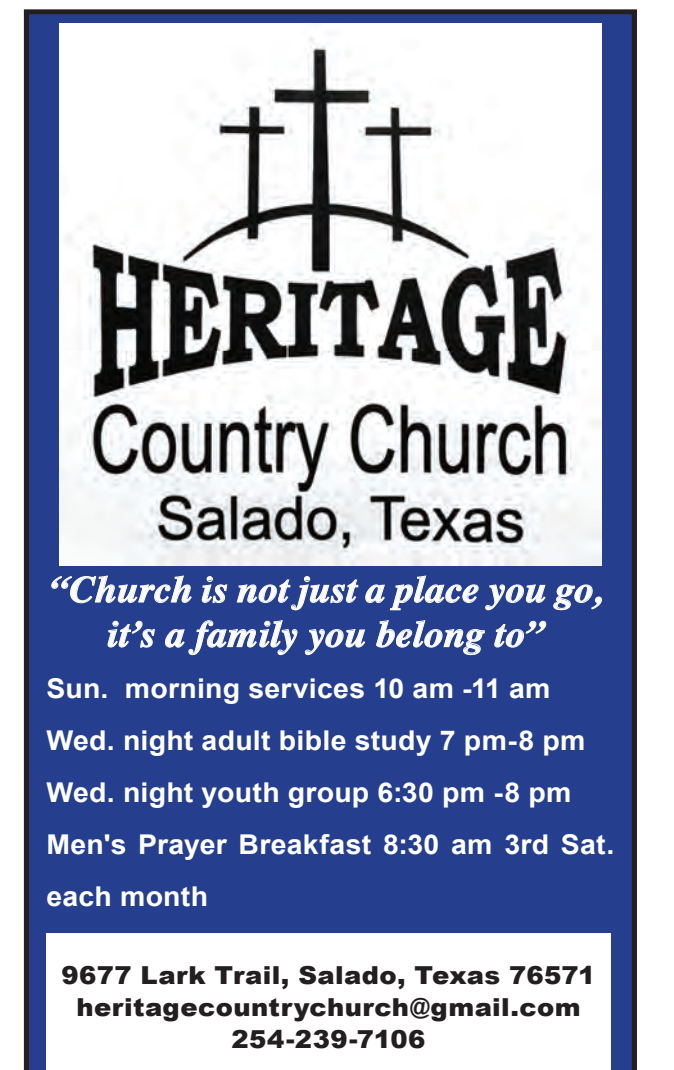
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Courage, Adventure & Fantasy: Community Band Concert March 7

By LLOYD WEBB
CONTRIBUTOR

Charla Kelley doesn't mince words. "These Thursday evening rehearsals are the high point of my week," she says.

Her comments are well received by the 64 musicians seated in front of her as they await the downbeat. It's the weekly 2-hour practice session for The Community Band Of Central Texas (TCBOCT) at Salado Middle School's band hall.

Kelley, retired from her years as band director for Salado ISD, along with Salado's Frank Coachman, former band director at Killeen's Ellison High School, now deputy director at Texas Music Educators Association and James Whitis, retired UMHB music professor are the founders, music directors and conductors for the TCBOCT.

The evening rehearsal brings together a group of instrumentalists of varying backgrounds, experience and age. High school students sit next to senior citizens and many members have degrees in music. Kelley looks up from arranging sheet music, smiles and comments. "We all share the joy of making music together."

The rehearsal is focused on TCBOCT's next performance, a varied program of works scheduled for 7 p.m. March 7 at Salado United



From left, Frank Coachman, Charla Kelley and James Whitis are the founders and conductors of The Community Band Of Central Texas. (PHOTO BY LLOYD WEBB)

Methodist Church. Kelley, Coachman and Whitis share conducting duties as the ensemble prepares for a concert dubbed "Songs of Courage, Adventure and Fantasy".

The repertoire includes a medley of Broadway show-stoppers from Rodgers and Hammerstein, themes from fantasy/adventure movies, one of K.L. King's rousing marches and several compositions and arrangements by Robert W. Smith, a favorite of Kelley, Coachman and Whitis.

While not a household musical name, Smith specialized in the educational market, writing for secondary school bands and col-

lege wind ensembles, drum corps and other school groups. Smith died in October 2023 and TCBOCT's March 7 concert is partly in homage to him.

When not on the podium the three conductors take their place among the band's musicians. Kelley is a clarinetist, Coachman and Whitis are both euphonium players. The group is a wind and percussion ensemble performing totally acoustic - no microphones needed.

TCBOCT is a volunteer, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Neither musicians nor the three founders are paid and performances are free and open to the public.

Along with the rehears-

al's musical sounds, a spirit of relaxed enjoyment fills the middle school band hall. "It's just fun," Whitis explains, "to see folks that still love to play their instruments."

Coachman echoes those comments. "And it's about giving people - from young to old - the opportunity to make music, to bring joy to others."

The Community Band of Central Texas: Songs of Courage, Adventure and Fantasy concert will be 7 p.m. March 7 at the Salado United Methodist Church, 650 Royal Street.

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Salado Senior Center open 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Mondays at 650 Royal St. (Salado United Methodist Church Youth Activity Center). Coffee Corner, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Game Time, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Pickleball Courts open, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Chair Yoga with Joette Grieco, 9-10 a.m.; Dominoes 42, 10 a.m.-noon; Stretching (Beginner Yoga) with Gary, 10:15 a.m.; Bridge, 12-3 p.m. Quilt-

ing with Lyna, 1-2 p.m. Crochet with Joette, 1-2:30 p.m. Village Artists- knitters, crocheters and stitchers meet, 1-4 p.m. Salado Village Artists' red building behind the Civic Center. Bikes & Brews, 6:30 p.m. for a no-drop ride, Barrow Brewing Co. 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. Tuesday Night Prix Fixe at Alexander's Craft Cocktails + Kitchen. \$16.95 for entree, dessert and glass of wine. Prix Fixe menu changes weekly. Visit Alexander's Facebook page for weekly updates on Prix Fixe. Reservations encouraged. Trivia with Rockin Rick, at Chupacabra, 7-9 p.m.

Wednesdays
Guest food truck day at Barrow Brewing Co., 4-9 p.m. Game Night at Barrow Brewing Co., 4-9 p.m. Trivia with Chad on second Wed. Wine Down Wednesday at Alexander's Craft Cocktails & Kitchen, 5-7 p.m., Half price on select bottles of wine, featured wine by the glass and feature cocktail specials change weekly. Karaoke, 7-10 p.m. at Chupacabra.

Thursdays
Salado Senior Center open 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursdays at 650 Royal St. (Salado United Methodist Church Youth Activity Center). Coffee Corner, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Game Time, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Exercise class with Alice Cooper, 9 a.m. Chair Tai Chi with Rich Trautman, 10-11 a.m. Learn to Play Mah Jongg, 10 a.m.-noon; Dominoes 42, 10 a.m.-noon. Mah Jongg, 12-3 p.m. Beginner or Refresher Bridge, noon-2 p.m. Bridge, 12-3 p.m. Bingo 1-2:30 p.m. Pint night at Chupacabra, 4 p.m.-midnight. Vinyl Nite with Shannon at Barrow Brewing Co., 5 p.m. Teen Writing Group, Salado Public Library, 6 p.m. Run Club, 6:30 p.m., Barrow Brewing Co. Weekly 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/3MLXXOA. Call 254-947-8011 or check Facebook for more information. Maxx Carter at Chupacabra, 6-10 p.m. Bikes & Brews, 6:30 p.m. for a no-drop ride, Barrow Brewing Co. Run4Beer Group, 6:30 p.m., Barrow Brewing Co. Family Night at The Shed, specials on beer and pizzas change every week.

Fridays
Storytime with Ms. Mia, Salado Public Library, 11 a.m. Live Music at Axis Winery, 3-6 p.m. Live Music at Chupacabra Craft Beers, 7-11 p.m. Live Music at Barrow Brewing Co. 7 p.m.

Saturdays
Asanas and Ales, 9 a.m. every Saturday in the taproom at Barrow Brewing Co. Live Music at Axis Winery, 2-5 p.m. Live Music at Barrow Brewing, 7 p.m. Live Music at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 8 p.m.

Sundays
Live Music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m.

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., 7 p.m., .

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 profile@saintstephenchurch.org.

March 1
Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m. Kelany Brent.

March 1-2
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.

March 1-2
First Annual Heritage Country Church CPRA/UPRA Rodeo, produced by Diamond Cross Rodeo Co. Gates open at 6 p.m. Rodeo starts at 7:30 p.m. Free admission. There will be bareback riding, saddle bronc riding, ranch bronc riding, calf roping, team roping, women's break-a-way roping, steer dogging, barrel race, bull riding, mutton busting.

March 2
Texas Independence Day tour of historic sites in Salado, starting at Salado Museum at 10 a.m.

March 2
Texas Pizza Festival, 11 a.m.-7 p.m., Barrow Brewing Co., 108 Royal St. Adult GA tickets are \$20 and include four slices. Child GA tickets are \$10 and get them two slices. Pizza trucks participating include Barrow Brewing Company's resident truck, Happy Street Pizza Company, Bahler Street Pizza, Pizza Pteros, Treno Pizzeria, Nocco Pizzeria, Waco Artisan Pizza, Carter Brothers Pizza, and Scott's Pizza.

March 2
Moon Rocks & Glow Jars, 11 a.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 2
Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m. Josh Jaccard.

March 3
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m., Eley Buck.

March 4
Adults Cold Case Murder Mystery, 1 p.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St. March 4

March 4
Salado Historical Society annual Potluck Membership meeting, 6 p.m. Salado Church of Christ Activity Center, 225 N. Church St. Pork loin will be provided. Attendees invited to bring side dish, salad, or dessert of their choice.

March 5
Salado Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours, 5:30-7 p.m., Holiday Inn Express, 1191 N. Stagecoach Rd. Registration is not required for this event.

March 6
Music Munchkins, 10 a.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N.

The Bell County Master Gardener Association holds a free monthly seminar on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Texas Agrilife Extension Office, 1605 N. Main in Belton.

March 6
Mini Makers, 11 a.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 6
Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Lula Mae's Cajun Cuisine.

March 7
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Wild Acre.

March 7
Teens/YA: Unhinged Art, 4:30 p.m. Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 7
Salado Chamber of Commerce Ribbon Cutting and Grand Opening for Sterling Meadows, a D.R. Horton Community, located at 14816 Sterling Meadows, Salado, 5:30 p.m.

March 7
Adults learn to make Irish Soda Bread, 6 p.m. Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 7
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.

March 7
The Community Band of Central Texas: Songs of Courage, Adventure and Fantasy concert, 7 p.m. Salado United Methodist Church, 650 Royal St. Concert is free and open to the public.

March 7-9
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.

March 8
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 profile@saintstephenchurch.org.

March 8
Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m. Kyle Mathis.

March 8-9
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.

March 9
Salado Community Garden Center Spring Clean Up, 2 p.m. on the grounds of Salado Civic Center. For more information, call 254-718-9620 or email eherrick20@aol.com

March 9
Galaxy Sharpie Art, 11 a.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 9
Belly Dance Night 6:30 p.m., Barrow Brewing Co., 108 Royal St.

March 9
Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m. Jon Austin.

March 9-10
Salado Market Days, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Salado Antique Mall, 721 Stagecoach Road. Salado's original Market Days event.

March 11
Monday Book Club, 2 p.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 11
Cold Case Murder Mystery, 6:30 p.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 13
Adult Lunch & Learn Series, 11 a.m. Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 13
Salado Lions Club luncheon meeting, 11:30 a.m., Salado Civic Center.

March 13
Pokemon Day, 1:30 p.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 13
Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., 808 Island Grindz.

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Friday, March 1 & Saturday, March 2
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March 14

All Ages story-time with Ms. Frizzle, 1 p.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 14

Book & Bites, 2 p.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 14

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

March 14

Teen/YA Crafter's Workshop, 4:30 p.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 14

Adult True Crime Book Club, 6 p.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 14

Around the World Dinner Series at Alexander's Distillery, 6:30 p.m. Reservations online through eventbrite.com for \$100 (includes tax and gratuity or \$1,000 for annual passport) for five course themed dinner. This month's Destination, New Orleans.

March 15

St. Stephen Catholic Church Lenten Fish Fry benefiting the church youth programs, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Drive-through pickup all orders. \$15 per plate. Orders larger than four plates must pre-order at prolife@saintstephenchurch.org.

March 15

Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m. Alex Pack.

March 15-16

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.

March 15-16

Texas Vaulting Expo 2024, Heritage Country Church, 9677 Lark Trail. Seminars and training both days. Public exhibition, 3-6 p.m. March 16. Discover equestrian vaulting in Texas by seeing these demonstrations and competitions.

March 16

Men and Women's Prayer Breakfast, 8:30 a.m., Heritage Country Church, 9677 Lark Trail, Salado.

March 16

Lephrechaun Trot, Barrow Brewing Co., 108 Royal. Live music, craft brew specials and prizes hidden along the route. Pro-Fit Race Timing. Register now to guarantee your t-shirt! <https://runsignup.com/Race/TX/Salado/BarrowLephrechaunTrot>

March 16

Teens/YA: Kanoodle Tournament, noon, Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 16

Teens/YA Smol Space Painting, 2 p.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 16

Adult Twine Easter Bunnies, 5 p.m. Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 16

Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m. Ray Palousek.

March 20

Music Munchkin, 10 a.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 20

Adult Craft: Sun Painting, 1 p.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 20

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

March 21

Salado Chamber of Commerce Lunch N' Learn, noon, at the Chamber office, 423 S. Main St. hosted by Texell Federal Credit Union. They will be covering topics such as SBA Loans, small business loans, and what makes the most sense for your small business. Registration is free for members and \$20 for non-members. Registration is required at salado.com.

March 21

Thursday Book Club, 2 p.m. Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 21

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

March 21

Teens/YA Crafter's Workshop, 4:30 p.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 21

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.

March 21-24

Salado Sparklers dance team tryouts for sixth-eighth grade girls, Prep week 4:15-6 p.m. at Salado Middle School gym. Tryouts at 4:30 p.m. March 22. Parent info meeting 5 p.m. Feb. 25 at TAE3 Gym.

March 22

Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., Kelany Brent.

March 23

Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m., Cami Maki.

March 23

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

March 23-24

24th Annual Wildflower Arts & Crafts Festival, Salado Civic Center, 601 N. Main. Free admission 10 a.m.-5 p.m. March 23, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. March 24.

March 24

Easter Festival, noon-3 p.m., with Easter egg hunt, games, food, booths, Heritage Country Church, 9677 Lark Trail, Salado.

March 24

Salado Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting for Terlingua on Main, 112 N. Main St., 5:30 p.m.

March 25

Adult Movie, Apollo 13, 1 p.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 25

Salado Public Library Dis-

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

March 25

Adult Spring Up Your Wardrobe, 6 p.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 27

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

March 27

Adult Movie, The Martin, 1 p.m.

March 27

Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Flexin' Texan.

March 27

Adult Craft: Sun Painting, 5 p.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 28

Adult Movie, Alien, 1 p.m. Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 28

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

March 28

Teens/YA Crafter's Workshop, 4:30 p.m., Salado Public Library, 1151 N. Main St.

March 29

New Life Methodist Church of Salado on Good Friday will hold a "Stations of the Cross" walk in Salado, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Salado Museum, located at 423 South Main Street in Salado.



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<p>MONDAY, MARCH 4th</p> <p>9:00-10:00 — Beginner's Pickleball Lesson w/ Cindy 9:00-10:00 — Exercise (Chair Yoga w/ Joette) 9:00-11:00 — Quilting w/ Lyna 10:00-12:00 — Dominoes 42 Game 10:15-11:15 — Stretching (Beginner Yoga w/ Gary) 11:00-12:30 — Crochet w/ Joette 12:00-3:00 — Bridge</p> <p>MONDAY, MARCH 11th</p> <p>9:00-10:00 — Pickleball Pickup Game 9:00-10:00 — Exercise (Chair Yoga w/ Joette) 9:00-11:00 — Quilting w/ Lyna 10:00-12:00 — Dominoes 42 Game 10:15-11:15 — Stretching (Beginner Yoga w/ Gary) 11:00-12:30 — Crochet w/ Joette 12:00-3:00 — Bridge</p> <p>MONDAY, MARCH 18th</p> <p>9:00-10:00 — Pickleball Pickup Game 9:00-10:00 — Exercise (Chair Yoga w/ Joette) 9:00-11:00 — Quilting w/ Lyna 10:00-12:00 — Dominoes 42 Game 10:15-11:15 — Stretching (Beginner Yoga w/ Gary) 11:00-12:30 — Crochet w/ Joette 11:30-12:30 — Birthday Celebration/Lunch (Open to All) 12:00-3:00 — Bridge</p> <p>MONDAY, MARCH 25th</p> <p>9:00-10:00 — Pickleball Pickup Game 9:00-10:00 — Exercise (Chair Yoga w/ Joette) 9:00-11:00 — Quilting w/ Lyna * 10:00-11:00 — Fraud Prevention Class w/ Cadence Bank & Constable Rolly Correa 10:00-12:00 — Dominoes 42 Game 10:15-11:15 — Stretching (Beginner Yoga w/ Gary) 10:30 — Easter Egg Hunt for SISD Life Skills Students 11:00-12:30 — Crochet w/ Joette 12:00-3:00 — Bridge</p>	<p>THURSDAY, MARCH 7th</p> <p>9:00-10:00 — Exercise Class w/ Alice Cooper 10:00-12:00 — Dominoes 42 Game 10:00-12:00 — Learn to Play Mahjong 10:15-11:15 — Chair Tai Chi w/ Richard Trautman 12:00-2:00 — Beginner/Refresher Bridge 12:00-3:00 — Mahjong 12:00-3:00 — Bridge 1:00-2:30 — BINGO</p> <p>THURSDAY, MARCH 14th</p> <p>9:00-10:00 — Exercise Class w/ Alice Cooper 10:00-12:00 — Dominoes 42 Game 10:00-12:00 — Learn to Play Mahjong * 10:00-12:00 — Arts & Crafts w/ Salado Public Library 10:15-11:15 — Chair Tai Chi w/ Richard Trautman 12:00-2:00 — Beginner/Refresher Bridge 12:00-3:00 — Mahjong 12:00-3:00 — Bridge 1:00-2:30 — BINGO 3:00 — After Hours Fellowship: Beer Flight & Tasting Class at Barrow Brewery (\$10 per Person)</p> <p>THURSDAY, MARCH 21st</p> <p>9:00-10:00 — Exercise Class w/ Alice Cooper * 10:00-11:00 — Master Gardening: Planting, Growing, and Preparing Herbal Teas 10:00-12:00 — Learn to Play Mahjong 10:00-12:00 — Dominoes 42 Game 10:15-11:15 — Chair Tai Chi w/ Richard Trautman 12:00-2:00 — Beginner/Refresher Bridge 12:00-3:00 — Mahjong 12:00-3:00 — Bridge * 12:30-1:30 — Book Club w/ Salado Public Library 1:00-2:30 — BINGO</p> <p>THURSDAY, MARCH 28th</p> <p>9:00-10:00 — Exercise Class w/ Alice Cooper * 10:00-12:00 — 1:1 Technology Time w/ Salado Public Library 10:00-12:00 — Learn to Play Mahjong 10:00-12:00 — Dominoes 42 Game 10:15-11:15 — Chair Tai Chi w/ Richard Trautman 12:00-2:00 — Beginner/Refresher Bridge 12:00-3:00 — Mahjong 12:00-3:00 — Bridge 1:00-2:30 — BINGO</p>
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EVERY MONDAY & THURSDAY
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 9:00-3:00 — Cornhole

* To ensure sufficient supplies, this event requires participants to RSVP at the Senior Center registration desk or contact the Senior Center the week prior on Monday or Thursday during the hours of 9:00-3:00.

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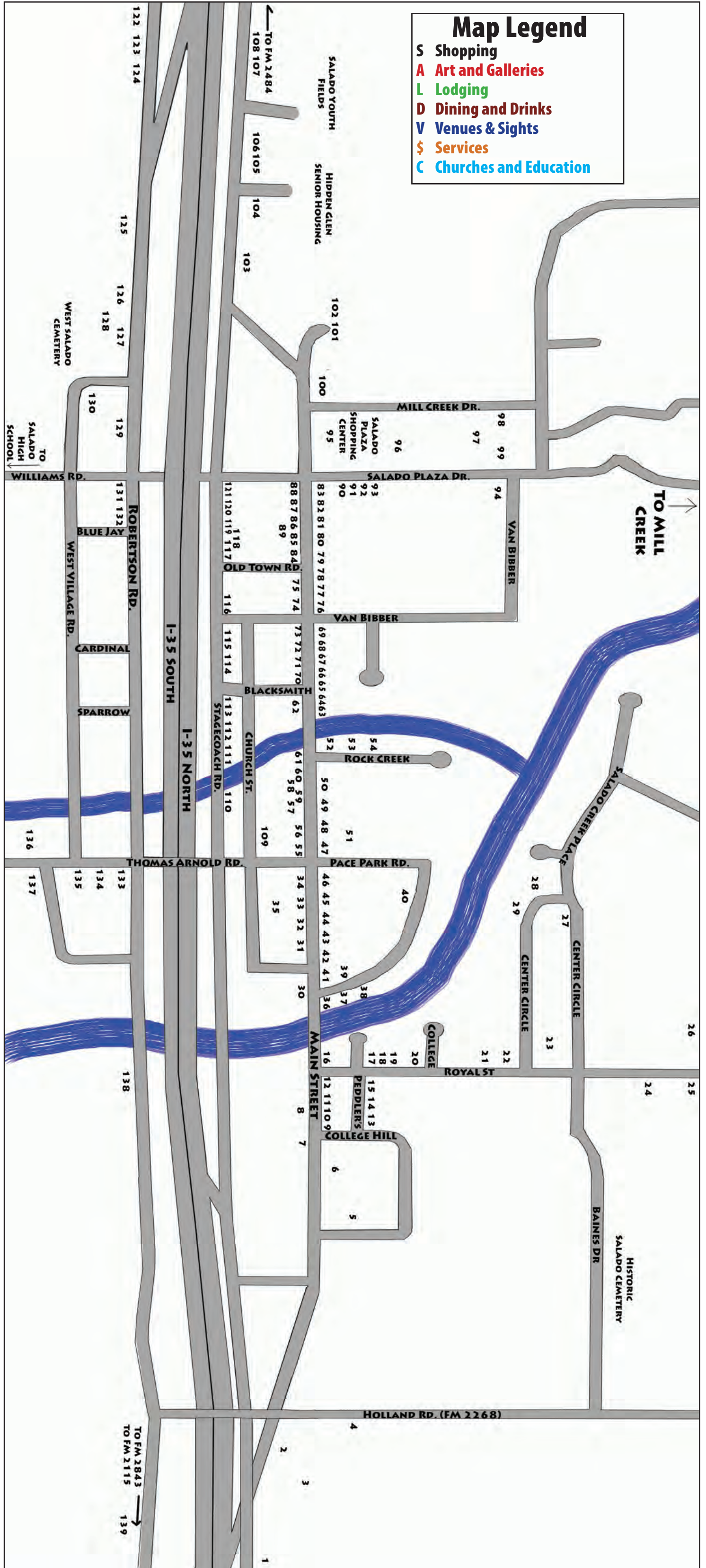
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Business Name Type

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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
Salado Visitors Center & Tourism \$
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Salado Chamber of Commerce \$
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New Life Methodist Church C
- 10 Sofi's S
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- 11 Chupacabra Craft Beer and Winery D
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Chupacabra Kitchen D
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- 14 Salado Glassworks A
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Happy Pizza \$
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Eagles second in own tourney

Salado Varsity Eagles are 4-1 after losing to the Troy Trojans in the final inning of the Salado baseball tournament.

	R	H	E
THS	2	4	0
SHS	1	4	3

Salado Eagles gave up two runs in the top of the sixth to fall to Troy, 2-1, in the championship game of their own tournament Feb. 24.

Logan Flores was issued the loss on the mound. He pitched all six innings, allowing 4 hits, 2 runs, 1 earned run and striking out 8.

Kase Maedgen had a hit and an RBI. Kannon Baird had a hit and scored a run.

BJ Amann and Jace Light each had a hit.

	R	H	E
LHS	1	2	2
SHS	11	7	2

Salado scored six runs in the bottom of the sixth to end their game against LaGrange with an 11-1 win Feb. 23.

Kannon Baird got the win, allowing 2 hits and a run and striking out 11.

Brody Cole led the batters with a hit and 3 RBIs.

Also getting hits were BJ Amann, a hit, a run, 2 RBIs, Baird, a hit, a run and an RBI; Jace Light, a hit and a run; Dylan Wigely, a hit, 2 runs, 2 RBIs; Kase Maedgen, a hit and 2 runs; Owen Curtis, a hit and a run.

	R	H	E
GHS	0	3	0
SHS	7	9	0

The Eagles shut out Gateway Prep, 7-0, on Feb. 22 in their second game of the tournament.

Dylan Wigely allowed three hits, but no runs or walks. He struck out five.

Kannon Baird and Logan Flores both had 2 hits and a run to lead the Eagles in batting.

Also getting hits: Amann, a hit, 2 runs, 2 RBIs; Brody Nae-



BJ Amann tags a Troy runner out at home. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

gele, 1 hit, a run, 2 RBIs Brody Cole, a hit, 2 RBIs; Jace Light, a hit, 2 runs.

	R	H	E
RRHS	2	5	0
SHS	5	5	1

Salado beat the Round Rock JV Dragons 5-2 to start the tournament Feb. 22.

Jace Light got the win, allowing 5 hits, 2 runs, one earned run and striking out 3.

Owen Curtis led the boys with 2 hits, 2 runs, 2 RBIs and a walk; Logan Flores had a hit and a walk; BJ Amann and Jace Light both had a hit. Brody Cole, Brody Naegele and Ethan Robledo all scored runs.

	R	H	E
LHS	1	1	1
SHS	3	6	2

Salado beat Lorena 3-1 in a non-district game Feb. 19.

Logan Flores got the win for Salado allowing a hit and a

run. He struck out 14 batters.

Kannon Baird led the Eagles at the plate with 2 hits and an RBI.

Also getting hits: Logan Flores, 2 hits; Brody Cole and Trey Waters, 1 hit each. Owen Curtis scored 2 runs and Dylan Wigely scored a run.



Daniel Anderson maneuvers the ball against Brownwood. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Eagles shut out district soccer foes

Salado Eagles won both of their district soccer matches last week to remain in second place.

The Eagles shut out Brownwood 3-0 on Feb. 23.

Scoring goals for the Eagles were: Cody Roque-more, Jackson Husung, and Thad Heckman.

Assists were made by: Gabe Merriman, Thad Heckman, and Jackson Husung.

Salado handled China Spring on the road 14-0 Feb. 20.

The Eagles played Little River Academy Feb. 27. Results were past press time.

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#1 Lady Eagles win West tourney

Salado Lady Eagles are at the top of the Texas Girls Coaches Association rankings after sweeping the West Tournament Feb. 22-23. Salado is 11-0 as of presstime Feb. 27.

	R	H	E
BGHS	2	2	1
SHS	3	8	0

Salado got eight hits but only three runs and held off a seventh inning challenge by Blooming Grove, winning 3-2, to win the West Tournament Feb. 23.

Bri Waters got the win on the mound, pitching the entire game. She allowed 2 hits and 1 earned run, striking out 12.

Lead-off batter Lexi Dudeczka led the girls with 3 hits and an RBI.

Also getting hits: Kaitlyn

Weber, 2 hits; Toni Pugh, 1 hit, 1 run, 1 RBI; Bri Tutor, and Brooklyn Williamson, a hit each.

	R	H	E
SHS	12	11	0
JHS	1	3	1

The Lady Eagles beat Jacksboro 12-1 on Feb. 23 to advance to the finals.

Bri Waters got the win, pitched three innings. She allowed 2 hits and a walk and struck out 4. Mazzy Johnson closed the game, allowing a hit, an earned run and a walk and striking out 3.

Brooklyn Williamson led the Lady Eagles at the plate with 3 hits, 3 RBIs and 2 runs.

Also getting hits: Shelby Dodge, 2 hits, 3 RBIs and a run; Bri Tutor, a hit, 2 RBIs and a run; Lexi Dudeczka,

a hit, an RBI, 3 runs and 2 walks; Toni Pugh, a hit, an RBI; Kaitlyn Weber, a hit and a run; Bri Waters, a hit.

	R	H	E
SHS	9	8	0
WHS	0	0	5

Salado shut out West, 9-0, in the second round of the tournament Feb. 22.

Amanda Schauer pitched the entire game for the win, allowing no hits and no runs, walking three and striking out 12.

Shelby Dodge led the girls at the plate. She had 3 hits, an RBI and a run.

Also getting hits were Bri Water, 2 hits and a run; Rylee Litchfield, a hit and 2 runs Brooklyn Williamson, a hit and a run; Toni Pugh, a hit; Lexi Dudeczka, an RBI and a hit.

	R	H	E
SHS	19	8	1
CSHS	2	4	1

Salado thrashed Chi-na Spring, 19-2, in the first round of the tourney Feb. 22.

Kaitlyn Weber pitched the entire game for Salado, allowing 4 hits, 2 runs, 1 earned, a walk and striking out 2.

Bri Waters led the girls 2 hits, a homerun, 7 RBIs, 3 runs and a walk.

Also contributing: Abby Klein, 2 hits, an RBI and a run; Toni Pugh, 1 hit, 3 RBIs; Lexi Dudeczka and Kaitlyn Weber, 1 hit, 1 RBI, 2 runs and a walk each; S Vegahausser, a hit and a run; Giselle Salazar, an RBI, 2 runs and a walk; Mazzy Johnson, an RBI and a run.

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Lady Eagles track takes second at Gatesville

Track season has kicked off for Salado.

Salado Lady Eagles track team took second place in the Gatesville Hornet Meet Feb.

23.

The girls had the following placements:

Zoie Adcox: first in 1600 Meters (5:34) and second 3200 Meters (12:08).

Penelope Anderson: first in 800 Meters (2:27).

Sydney Engleking second in 800 Meters (2:28) and third in 1600 Meters (5:37).

Meri Fisher, second in Pole Vault (9'6).

Grace Tipping, third in 100 Meter Hurdles (16.2 and sixth in Long Jump (15'8).

Kaylee Bragg, third in High Jump (5'0) and sixth in 300 Meter Hurdles (51.8)

Payton Ortega, third in Long Jump (16'0.5) and fourth in Triple Jump (34'0).

Maddie Casper, third in Pole Vault (8'0).

Addison King: fifth in 400 Meters (1:05.7)

Ariel Cebreco sixth in Shotput (29'7.5)

4x400 Relay second, 4:19.13, (Serenity Jirasek, Macy Morris, Anna Redelsheimer, Penelope Anderson)

4x100 Relay, fifth, 52.6 (Paige Fariss, Payton Ortega, Serenity Jirasek, Grace Tipping)

JV Girls

Taylor Tracy, first in Shotput (31'6) and second in Discus (66'9).

Paige Heiner, third in 200 Meters (30.2).

Varsity Boys

Varsity boys distance runners competed in the Viper Distance Festival Feb. 24 with the following results.

Luke Anderson, third in 1600 Meters (4:25.6).

Coulson Boyd, first in 3200 Meters (9:54.4)

Daniel Anderson, 1600 Meters (4:38.4)

The remaining varsity boys placed eight overall at the Gatesville meet with the following individual results:

Jackson Bragg, first in Pole Vault, (15-9) and fourth in 200 Meters (24.07).

Alex Hauck, fifth in 800 Meters (2:05.10) and fourth, 1600 Meter Run (4:48.73).

Jonathon Brauchle, fifth in 1600 Meter Run (4:54.43).

Anthony Angel, sixth in High Jump, (5-6).

Tom Watkins, sixth in 400 Meters (55.42).

JV Boys

Salado JV Boys placed second in the Gatesville track meet with the following individual results:

Eli Barker, first in 1600 Meters, (5:01.88) and first in 3200 Meters (10:57.0).

Hays Ramsey, first in 110 Meter Hurdles (21.06) and third in 300 Meter Hurdles (48.45).

Luke Bauser, first in Pole Vault (10-6).

Landen Noske, third in Long Jump (17-11).

Wesley Engleking, fourth, 1600 Meters (5:20.39).

Cash Drigalla, fourth in 3200 Meters (11:39.0) and fifth, 1600 Meters, (5:23.13).

Tom Watkins, sixth in 400 Meters (55.42).

Elijah Burke, sixth in Long Jump (16-9).

4X100 Meter Relay, second (47:27); Daniel Hernandez, SC Inman, Dylan Jiminez and Landen Noske.

4X200 Meter Relay, third (4:01.73); Hernandez, Inman, Jiminez and Noske.

4X400 Meter Relay, fifth (4:01.73); Kaiden Ailen, Stephen Craig, Barrett Ketchum and Hays Ramsey.



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JV wins Killeen tourney

Salado JV Eagles swept their competition in the Killeen JV Tournament last week.

	R	H	E
JV Red	13	11	1
LHS	9	1	3

Salado JV Red Eagles shut out Lorena JV Leopards 13-0 in the first round of the Killeen JV tournament Feb. 22.

Aezea Martinez for the win on the mound, striking out 2 and allowing no hits. Brayden Naegele pitched in relief, allowing a hit and striking out 4 batters.

Jeb Hercules led the batters with 3 hits, 2 RBIs and 2 runs.

Also getting hits: Aezea Martinez, 2 hits, 3 RBIs, 2 runs; Collin Strickland, 1 hit, 2 RBIs, 1 run; Jamison Stephens, 1 hit, 1 run, 2 RBIs; Trey Waters, 1 hit, 1 RBI, 1 run; Jacob Preston, 1 hit, 3 runs; Brayden Naegele, 1 hit, 1 run; Landon Noske, 1 hit, 1 run.

The Eagles beat Chaparral JV 8-5 on Feb. 23 but no stats were available from the game.

	R	H	E
CCHS	0	1	4
JV Red	10	8	1

Salado JV shut out Copperas Cove 10-0 on Feb. 24.

Cash Adams got the win, pitching four innings, allowing a hit, walking two and striking out six. Jacob Hercules closed, walking one and

striking out two.

Adams led the boys with 3 hits and an RBI.

Also getting hits: Mason Olson, 2 hits, 2 RBI, 2 runs; Jamison Stephens, 2 hits, 1 RBI, 2 runs; Aezea Martinez, 1 hit, 1 RBI, 1 run.

Salado JV Eagles opened the tournament by shutting out Lampasas 16-0 on Feb. 22 in a shortened game.

Collin Strickland and Landon Noske led the boys getting 2 hits, 2 RBIs and a run each.

Also getting hits: Cash Adams, 1 hit, 2 RBIs, 2 runs and a walk; Mason Olson, 1 hit, an RBI, 2 runs and a walk; Garrett Light, Brayden Naegele and Jacob Preston, an RBI and 2 runs each; Jamison Stephens, 1 RBI.

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#1 Lady Eagles 21-0 so far

The undefeated Salado Lady Eagles are ranked #1 in state by the Texas Girls Coaches Association after wins last week over Brownwood and China Spring.

The Lady Eagles defeated the Brownwood Lady Lions 2-0 on Feb. 23.

"From the beginning, this game was aggressive," Coach Michael Goos said. "Every ball was a battle, but the Lady Eagles did not back down."

They pressed continually for their first goal. Skylar Gardner sent the ball to meet Shelby Hollywood on her run, and she dribbled past their defense for a one v. one with the keeper. She took her shot and scored the first goal of the game.

In the second half, Cade Harris crossed the ball into Sydney Lange who took a touch to cut inside the defense for her shot into the goal.

Taylor Dabney and Cambry Edmondson recorded another shut out in goal!

"Reese Lange and Cassie Vargas never backed down from a challenge and showed some real Eagle pride! This team keeps impressing us," Goos said.

The Lady Eagles earned their sixth district win against the China Spring Lady Cougars on Feb. 20, winning 5-1.

Keep making this village proud!

To start off the game Lexi Rice sent the ball soaring over the backline. Sydney Lange came from out of nowhere and sent the ball into the back of the net.

Shelby Hollywood scored off Sydney Lange's cross.

The Lady Eagles got a corner which Cade Harris

sent in to Izzy Blancaflor who scored.

Reese Lange scored off of Shelby Hollywood's cross.

In the second half Lexi Rice sent the ball to Sydney Lange who scored.

The Lady Cougars scored late in the second, but the Lady Eagles held them to that one. "Cambry Edmondson and Taylor Dabney had a great game in goal," Coach Goos said. "Skylar Gardner showed a great display of skill and hard work

JV Lady Eagles

The Lady Eagles shut out the Brownwood JV Lions 4-0.

The scoring was started by Kenadi Smith with an assist from Avery Hibner. Avery then went on to get a goal of her own with help from Cora Thomas. Kenadi found the back of the net yet again for her second goal of the night.

Lucy Johnson slid one past the keeper, with a set up from Brittany Hernandez. Goalkeeper Hannah Amani recorded the shut out.

"Shoutout to the strong defense for making the shutout possible," Coach Amy Thomas said. "You girls are on fire!"

JV Lady Eagles took on the China Springs Lady Cougars, coming out with another strong district win on Feb. 20.

The scoring started off with Lucy Johnson followed by Avery Hibner. Kenadi Smith, the lefty, soon popped one in the back of the net. Avery then drove down the field for her second goal of the night. And lastly, to finish it off, Annabelle Schwartz scored one



Varsity Lady Eagles Soccer (Front Row, from left) Cade Harris, Lexi Rice, Reese Lange, Mady Serna, Sofia Cadenas, Shelby Hollywood, Taylor Dabney, Cassie Vargas, Sydney Lange. (Back row, from left) Cambry Edmondson, Kinsey Yawn, Madyson Rosamond, Rylee Young, Izzy Blancaflor, Leyla Peralta, Melanie Morrow, Jillian Taylor, Rachel Bender, Emily Lemus, Sky Gardner. (COURTESY PHOTO)

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02/18/2024	ELM GROVE SPUR,	Authorized controlled burning
02/19/2024	FM 2484,	Road freight or transport vehicle fire
02/19/2024	MARY LN,	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
02/20/2024	BISHOP DR,	Dispatched & cancelled en route
02/20/2024	ROSE LN,	Authorized controlled burning
02/21/2024	MILL CREEK DR,	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
02/21/2024	BREWER RD,	Authorized controlled burning
02/22/2024	N MAIN ST,	Assist invalid
02/22/2024	I-35 NB 283,	EMS call, excluding vehicle accident w/injury
02/22/2024	DEGRUMMOND WAY,	Assist invalid
02/22/2024	SMITH BLUFF RD,	Dispatched & cancelled en route
02/22/2024	BLACKBERRY RD,	Dispatched & cancelled en route
02/23/2024	BRODY WAY,	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
02/23/2024	WINDY HILL RD,	Authorized controlled burning
02/23/2024	UNION GROVE PARK RD,	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
02/24/2024	I-35,	Motor vehicle accident with no injuries.
02/24/2024	I-35,	Motor vehicle accident with no injuries.
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 Class Limit: 50
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SPRING PLANT SALE
 The Bell County Master Gardener Association 2024 Spring Plant Sale will be on 8 a.m.-1 p.m. March 23 (or until sold out), at the

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GOURMET MUSHROOMS
 The Bell County Master Gardener Association and the Central Texas Mycological Society presents a Hands-on "Gourmet Mushroom Gardening Workshop" 9 a.m.-noon April 6 at the Texas Agrilife Extension Office, BCMGA Learning Center, 1605 N. Main St., Belton. Attendees will learn how to recycle mushroom grow blocks to build healthy soil, increase water retention, feed the soil web, your plants and eventually you. This workshop will cover basic mycology and then show you low-cost and low-tech ways to recycle mushroom grow blocks to take home.
 Class Limit: 50

Class Fee: \$25
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