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## Looking back on 2012

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EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Who would have thought that a little music, a little art and a little salamander would have caused so much trouble?

In 2012, Saladoans (or at least the noisiest and noisiest of them) were more up in arms about a live music venue at Johnny's Steaks & Bar-Be-Que, a sculpture on Main Street and the three-inch Salado salamander than they were about the coming Mayan Apocalypse.

Two of the three turned out, in hindsight, to be about as damaging to Salado as the Mayan end-of-the-world.

After more than six months of wrangling Salado regulations and a few neighbors, Johnny Bratton and son Josh Bratton were able to build an outdoor music venue that debuted its first live performance in November.

Meanwhile, Salado artist Aaron Gist saw his sculpture *The Lovers* become swirled in controversy before being moved to private property at The Range Restaurant.

Salado leaders were told by Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) officials that the sculpture could no longer remain in highway right-of-way, despite it having been there for years.

As part of an agreement in which TXDOT agreed to keep doing what it had been doing since --- forever -- *The Lovers* was abruptly taken down by the Village of Salado and taken to the Municipal Building in early October. In mid-October, Gist and supporters moved the sculpture by hand to The Range, forming an impromptu procession (it was NOT a parade!) from the Municipal Building to The Range, where it sits today.

The Salado salamander was proposed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) for listing as an endangered species, along with three other central Texas salamanders, including the Georgetown salamander, the Jollyville salamander and the Austin blind salamander.

A political storm brewed throughout the year with efforts by Congressman John Carter to defund the FWS Endangered Species Act (ESA) efforts last fall. Cong. Carter called a press conference beneath an overpass of I-45 in Georgetown, where he pointed to a population of the Georgetown salamanders as evidence that highway construction, dense human population and sensitive species could co-exist.

The FWS will not issue its final decision on the proposed listing until later in 2013. In the meantime, a stakeholders' group of Bell County governmental agencies (County commissioners, Village of Salado, Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District), Salado Water Supply Corporation and other private property interests joined together to contract an in-depth study of the Salado salamander and its habitat in hopes of providing better science to the FWS in its decision-making process.

Both the county commissioners court and the Clearwater UWCD filed letters with FWS questioning the science behind the proposed listing.

CUWCD Dirk Aaron has stated that one of the factors for the proposed listing is that there are not regulatory instruments in place to protect water quality and quantity. He said that the CUWCD has regulations in place to do just that concerning Salado creek and its source springs coming from the northern segment of the Edwards Aquifer.

Salado government voted to pursue a sewer system and contracted with KPA for initial drawings and cost estimates. The Village may pursue attaching to a sewer system that will be built for a major development in the current extra territorial jurisdiction of Salado. This issue is likely to come up a great deal in 2013 as plans are made.

At the end of the year, the Village aldermen discussed annexing parts of I-35 to bring them within the boundaries of Salado.



### Dairy Queen knocked down

After four decades in Salado, the Dairy Queen was torn down by crews in September to clear the path for the expansion of I-35 through Salado. Most of the buildings on the west side of interstate have been demolished to make room for the addition. Texas Department of Transportation is expected to begin demolition of the Thomas Arnold Rd. overpass this winter to allow for construction of a new bridge. Major road and lane closings are announced on the Salado Village Voice Facebook page and website [www.saladovillagevoice.com](http://www.saladovillagevoice.com). The newspaper also posts emergency road conditions and traffic slowdowns on its social media and website, as well as alternate routes. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

First State Bank was robbed again this year. A lone suspect entered First State Bank-Salado at approximately 10:40 a.m. July 9, produced a note and robbed the bank of an undetermined amount of money. Salado Police Chief Jack Hensley said that the suspect is also suspected of committing a series of bank robberies from Arkansas to various parts of Texas, including Tyler and Temple. "He didn't seem to shield his face from the cameras," Chief Hensley said. The suspect remains at large, even after robbing a bank in College Station in August.

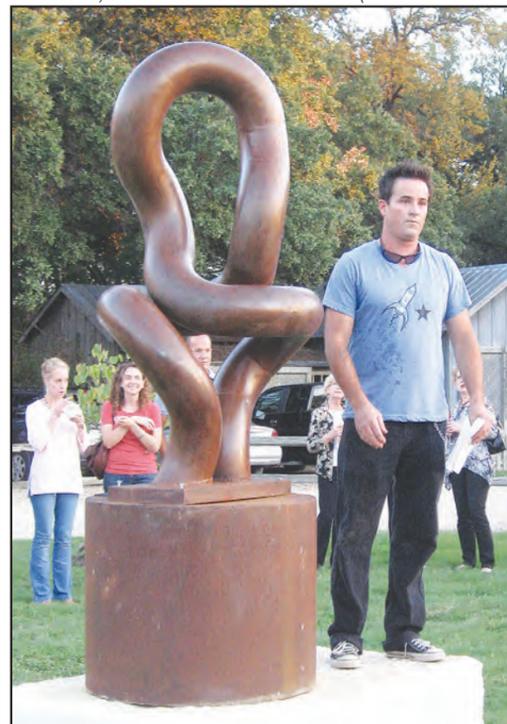
#### TRAGEDY AND LOSS

##### MARK YEAR FOR SALADO

Salado had more than its share of tragedy this year.

Elizabeth Anne Dowdy, her two sons Fischer Phillip Dowdy and Benjamin Samuel Dowdy and an unborn child were killed in two-car accident July 30 on Highway 95 north of Elgin. The car they were traveling in crossed into the path of an oncoming minivan, crashing head-on. A woman and her three daughters in the mini-van were injured.

Saladoans were also shocked this fall by the tragic death of Brett Mullins, a Salado High graduate. SEE REVIEW, PAGE 3A



### The Lovers in new home

Aaron Gist talks about cohesion and the union of two souls as one of the interpretations of his statue *The Lovers*, which was moved to its new home at The Range at the Barton House by Gist, a handful of helpers and dozens of supporters. Texas Department of Transportation asked the Village of Salado to see that the statue was moved out of state right-of-way. Gist and supporters moved the statue from the Municipal Building, where Mayor Danney McCort had it moved Oct. 1, to The Range on Oct. 12.



Haley Williams won Best Actress and the French Award for her portrayal of Juana Inez de la Cruz.



(PHOTO BY MARY BETH COOKE)  
Alex Cooke placed fourth at the UIL 2A State Cross Country Meet Nov. 10 at Old Settlers Park in Round Rock, leading the Salado High boys cross country team to a second place finish in State. The girls placed eighth in state and Ashley Adams placed in the top 10 in state.

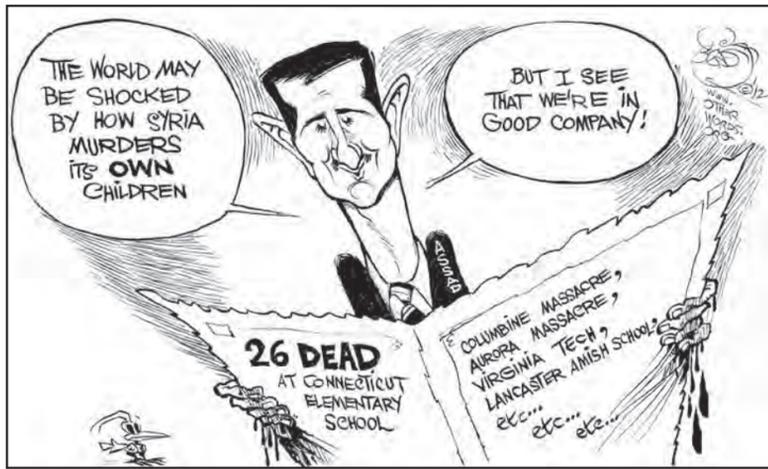


**Chamber honors Citizens of Year**  
Salado Chamber of Commerce honored the "Salado Creek Cleanup Crew" as the Citizens of the Year during its annual awards banquet Jan. 17 at Tenroc Ranch. The group was lauded for its volunteer efforts to clean up the creek following the floods of 2009 and 2010. Shown above are (from left) Larry Nathanson, Joe Oliver and Danney McCort. Not shown are volunteers Bill Pinkston, Harold Schwake and Rip Van Winkle. The Chamber named Keith's Ace Hardware as the Business of the Year and Darwin and Carolyn Britt to the Hall of Fame. (PHOTO BY MARILYN FLEISCHER)



### Homecoming royalty

Marshall Mann and Jenna Franz were crowned Salado High School Homecoming King and Queen prior to the kick-off of the Salado Eagles' district game against the Marlin Bulldogs on Oct. 5. (PHOTO BY JIM MOHLER)



## Act on mental illness

Newtown is the latest locale in America to become synonymous with senseless slaughter. The shock and the horror are so intense, it almost guarantees that Congress will act.

There will inevitably be an enormous brouhaha around guns and ammunition, leading to nothing likely to prevent the next massacre. Democrats are talking about a renewed assault-weapon ban and a prohibition on high-capacity magazines. But Adam Lanza could have killed just as indiscriminately with any semiautomatic gun, and if he didn't have a high-capacity magazine, he could simply have reloaded with smaller magazines, something the Virginia Tech and Columbine killers managed to do.

If we are going to have a rush to action, it shouldn't be on guns. It should be on mental illness. It doesn't make for high political drama or emotional cable chatter, but getting treatment for more of the most seriously mentally ill might actually prevent future shootings. Even if it doesn't, it would improve the lives of sick and vulnerable people.

We may never know what the dynamic was in the Lanza home. For too many parents of the mentally ill, though, it goes something like this: Their child becomes withdrawn, delusional and erratic. If they call the mental-health system, they are told to bring the child in for an appointment and the sick child won't go. If the parents call the cops, the cops show up and say the child doesn't appear to represent a threat, and they leave. If they take him to the hospital, he is quickly released back to the parents even if he is admitted. The choice might become living with a deteriorating child increasingly out of his mind or forcing him out of the home and into the streets.

Yes, this is 21st-century America. Where we have better means to treat men-

### Rich Lowry



tal illness than ever before, but choose to let the insane people decide to get it or not. Where we supposedly de-institutionalized the mentally ill by closing down psychiatric hospitals, and then re-institutionalized them behind bars. About a third of homeless men and two-thirds of homeless women are seriously mentally ill. Imagine the national outrage if people with Alzheimer's were permitted to wander around the streets uncared for. But, by some perverse logic, it's considered OK for schizophrenics.

The federal government can act on this travesty only at the margins. It is largely up to the states. They can make a real difference by stopping the further closure of public hospital psychiatric beds and making it easier to compel treatment. Civil-commitment laws that require imminent danger to self or others are too strict. As DJ Jaffe of Mental Illness Policy Org puts it, that standard doesn't prevent violence, it requires violence in order to get care to someone too irrational to realize that he needs it.

We don't know yet if Adam Lanza was mentally ill, or if a better system would have helped him. We do know that somewhere out there a young man is about to get very sick. He could become the next Jared Loughner or James Holmes -- unless someone gets him treatment.

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## Michigan bucks democracy

**With no warning, no hearings, no public input, no floor debate, and no time, state Republicans rammed a union-busting bill into law**

Michigan is no longer a state. It is now "Michiganistan," an autocratic czardom in the hands of Emperor Rick Snyder.

Formerly the Republican governor, Snyder has been enthroned by the GOP's lame-duck, legislative supermajority to rule with an iron fist — democracy, rule-of-law, fairness, and the people be damned.

Ironically, voters had given Snyder and his cohort of right-wing corporate ideologues a spanking for this kind of nastiness in a November referendum. The GOP cabal in Lansing had conspired last year to usurp the local authority of city governments and allow Snyder to send in unelected, unaccountable autocrats to fire elected officials and seize control, but last month, Michigan voters overthrew this absurdity.

This month, however,



**Jim Hightower**

Snyder and gang doubled down on their dumbfounding, anti-democratic zealotry. With no warning, no hearings, no public input, no floor debate, and no time for citizens to even know what was happening, the same legislative czarists rammed a union-busting bill into law. Even though he had publicly rejected such a proposal earlier this year as being "very divisive," Emperor Snyder gleefully signed this measure.

Who's behind this madness? Say hello to two infamous, anti-union, bil-

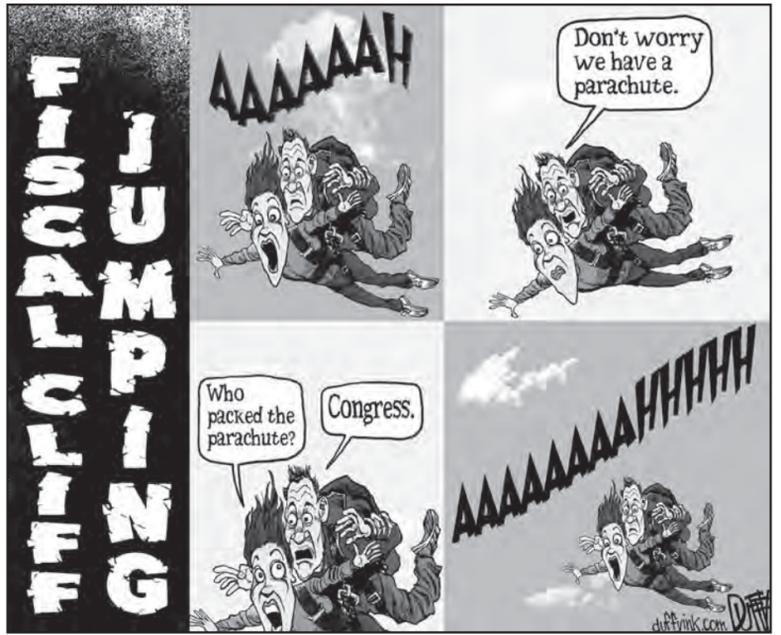
lionaire plutocrats: the Koch brothers. They had funneled as much as a million dollars into Snyder's 2010 gubernatorial election, and three Michigan front groups funded by the billionaire brothers aggressively pushed the exact same anti-worker proposal that the Republican thugs just bullied into law.

Two things not long for this world are dogs that chase cars and politicians who deceive and cheat the people. Already, Michiganders are organizing a petition drive for another referendum to overturn the law and return the Czardom of Michiganistan back to democratic rule. Stay tuned.

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# FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



## Everyone wants spending cuts, just not to their pets

To the Editor:

There's an old folk ditty that goes, "Teacher, teacher, don't whip me - whip that (whomever or whatever) behind the tree." This is the new anthem for the U.S. economy. Everyone wants spending cuts - just not to them. Topping the cuts list are seniors' earned benefits - Social Security and Medicare, with Medicare the 500 pound gorilla. Since I receive both, it may seem strange that I agree - the cost for Medicare should be decreased. For decades, I said healthcare cost in the U.S. could be cut by 30 percent, and it would be a better product. Now respected economists agree. Medicare recipients receive too much "health care" and too much is paid for it - despite increasing mediocrity. Medicare recipients are caught in the middle.

I am no economist, but I know that: (1) Cost is determined by what you buy and how much you pay for it. Lax Medicare administrators and aggressive healthcare providers make an expensive mixture. Lobbyists push for unnecessary, costly and often useless services (decrying so called "Death Panels"), and doctors, hospitals, medical supply companies, etc., gladly bill Medicare for them - sometimes fraudulently. Examples: Three relatives had bypass heart surgery - none were legitimate candidates. One had even been diagnosed with lung cancer. All claimed their doctors said the bypasses "were good for at least ten years" implying the procedure gave them ten more years. One died on the table and two lived about a year. A friend's mother was diagnosed with liver and pancreatic cancer, so with weeks to live, they did double cataract surgery. Medicare paid the bills. Today, Washington's solution is to make Medicare recipients pay more, and God forbid any effective controls on utilization or charges. Anyway, healthcare entities are experts at circumventing controls.

When Medicare was enacted in the 1960s, providers lobbied for and got "cost-based reimbursement," meaning the more it "cost" for them to perform a service, the more Medicare paid - the "cost" plus a profit. It's not hard to see where that led. (As a hospital pharmacist, overnight I saw the Medicare "cost" for one hospital-dispensed aspirin go from almost nothing to a dollar. Private pay patients were charged the same because providers could not bill Medicare more than anyone else - thus overall healthcare inflation.) Then in the 1980s, Medicare reimbursement became determined by diagnosis related groups (DRGs), which set price caps on defined procedures. If a service was provided for less than the cap, the provider made money, and if not, the provider could lose money.

Economies realized through medical advances reduced providers' cash flow, so economic equation (2) came into play: Income (dollars) equals price times volume. If the price went down, to maintain cash flow, the number of procedures had to increase (as described above) - bulldozers (or medical facilities) cost money even when not being used.

A burgeoning example of waste is Plan D, the drug benefit. Helping beneficiaries get drugs seems good on the surface - unfortunately the multinational

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drug manufacturing cartel and big mail order PBMs that designed the benefit get the most help. The Bush administration chose not to fund the benefit's cost, and as repayment for campaign contributions, it agreed not to negotiate drug prices like the VA does. (Some Neocons are determined to destroy Medicare, and what better way than to spend it into bankruptcy?) Almost any Mom and Pop drug store in the U.S. can sell drugs for less than this "benefit" charges. Oh yeah, Bush administration officials and legislators like Tommy Thompson and Billy Tauzin who really pushed the bill were rewarded with "jobs" paying millions in the drug and related industries.

The bottom line is that Medicare's money problems start in Washington, and its administrators need to address the real solutions, not put the blame and thus the cost on innocent Medicare recipients.

Tom Curb  
Salado

To the Editor:

The news of the school in Connecticut, brought back memories of December 26, 1972, when we learned of a bus wreck in New Mexico. That clear memory of two school buses with the youth and sponsors from Woodlawn Baptist Church in Austin, Texas headed for a ski and Bible Study trip to New Mexico.

One bus made it over a narrow bridge on a highway in New Mexico but the second bus was hit by a cattle truck. Nineteen died instantly and other survivors had multiple broken bones.

Just as in Connecticut, people began to respond to the tragedy in many ways. The church filled with those wanting to help. Freezers were brought in to take care of all of the food donated. Airplanes were offered to take the parents, money was given, homes were opened and prayers went up to God. The response was unbelievable. People from all over the nation responded.

President Lyndon Johnson attended the large funeral at the Municipal Auditorium.

The families and friends could not have made it without belief in God as the hymn was sung, "How Great Thou Art".

Families were helped through this tragedy for many days and months.

There were many sleepless nights and questions.

Today we have questions about the tragedy in Connecticut.

What has happened to our young people that have problems and want to hurt others? We need to find answers and help or youth now.

God can help us all love deeper and be unselfish.

My prayer for all--  
God bless America  
God bless Texas and Salado and protect our schools.

Please protect our children from hatred and evil. May we recognize it and remove it from our lives.

Doris Denman  
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ate who coached with his father Joe Mullins for several years in Salado and was coaching with his dad in Bartlett. The large sanctuary of First Baptist Church filled with grieving family and friends from around Salado, Bartlett and everywhere Brett was known.

That shock had hardly settled when Salado teacher Lisa Marie Wagon resigned one day before being arrested for the second degree felony of Improper Relationship between an Educator and a Student. The case is still pending.

A murder victim was also found near Salado this fall.

Southwest Institute of Forensic Science notified the Bell County Sheriff's Office on Oct. 13 that the person's whose was body discovered in a bag off of FM 1670 died of multiple stab wounds in the chest.

The victim was identified by fingerprints as being a missing person reported out of San Antonio. Llael Garcia-Rodriguez, 31 years of age, from San Antonio was identified as the murder victim.

After weeks of investigating, authorities arrested 29-year-old Toriano Thomas, 24-year-old Anthony McKoy, 21-year-old Katrina Jackson and Jessabel Lucas. McKoy was charged with murder. Thomas, Jackson and Lucas were charged with tampering physical evidence.

## WITH GROWTH

### COMES CHANGE

The Village also saw the beginning of work on the expansion of I-35 this summer. Prior to that, Saladoans gathered together for one last Blizzard at Salado Dairy Queen, a small town fast food joint that became an institution in Salado for four decades.

Work began this June on the expansion of I-35, leaving many businesses and local officials worried about the impact of the three-year construction project on the local economy. Aldermen approved \$20,000 that was spent on advertising in the fall to reach day trippers in the central Texas area. The board also approved \$20,000 for local advertising efforts in its 2012-13 budget. Sales tax continue to be above 2011, despite the closure of key businesses, including Gregory's, the Exxon and Dairy Queen.

Salado Civic Center, after almost two decades of providing public restrooms, shuttered its bathrooms last spring after a lease agreement of more than \$1,000 per month could not be reached with the Board of Aldermen.

Danney McCort became Mayor, running unopposed. Merle Stalcup announced that he would not seek a third term. Shannon Ashe and Bryan Fritch were elected to the Board of Aldermen. Stephen Peters was appointed to fill the unexpired term of McCort. Three seats on the Board of Aldermen will be up for election in 2013.

Jim Reed was re-elected to the Salado ISD Board of Trustees, joined by Melanie Kirchmeier. Miriam Ervi announced that she would not run for a fifth term on the board, retiring from service after 12 years.

Salado Public Library unveiled plans for its expansion, put the work out to bid and hired Gene Doss for the job, which began late this fall and is expected to finish in the late Spring or early Summer. The expansion will

just about double the size of the Library at its current location. Dr. Bob Denton and Bill Kinnison were re-elected to the Library District Board, joined by Sara Pettijohn.

Groundwork began this fall in an effort to purchase Mill Creek Golf and Country Club and turn it into a member-owned Golf Club.

Golf professional Terry Dill and an interim board of the Salado Golf Club at Mill Creek met with groups and individuals to lay the groundwork for the proposed purchase. The group hopes to raise \$3 million in the new year to purchase the real estate and assets of Mill Creek, repair the damaged holes and return the Robert Trent Jones II course to its original beauty before the floods devastated it in 2009 and 2010.

In November, Eddy Lange was elected Bell County Sheriff and Rolly Correa was elected local Constable.

## SALADO SCHOOLS:

### SUCCESS, CHANGE

#### & CHALLENGE

Salado schools saw a great deal of change, success and challenges in 2012.

Kay Matthews retired at the end of 2011 and Lee Vi Moses was appointed interim principal. Travis Dube was named interim assistant principal.

Burt Smith, from Plano ISD, was hired as the High School principal, taking over duties in June. In August, Moses resigned as vice principal. Trustees named Rachel Lee as Dean of Students. Lee continued as volleyball coach through the 2012 schedule, but may step down from that position for next year. Dube left the district for an administration position in another school.

Harry Miller retired as Salado Junior High principal and Chris Diem was hired as principal before the start of the 2012-2013 school year.

Diane Konarik took over the reins of the girls basketball program coming from Belton where she was JV coach for 12 years, replacing Jeanette McKinney, who went to Leander ISD.

Salado ISD received a five star rating from the state accountability rating system. State Comptroller Susan Combs gave the school district a Financial Allocation Study for Texas (FAST) rating of Five Stars, which is the highest possible rating for a school district or school campus to achieve. And throughout the state's 1,200-plus school districts, only 45 districts achieved this rating.

Salado High School also received a Silver rating from U.S. News, ranking it in the top 10 percent of high schools in the state and nation. SHS was ranked 156th in the state and 1,919th in the nation.

SHS earned gold at the state level with "The Sins of Sor Juana" as the 3A State Champions in One Act Play and Haley Williams was the Best Actress and French Award Winner. The strong performance by One Act helped Salado win the Regional Academic Championship.

Head coach Glenn Talbott came under fire from parents in January, who presented SISD Superintendent Michael Novotny with a petition calling for change in the athletic program. Meanwhile, a student-led petition was presented to the school board at its Jan. 16 meeting.

After two years in 3A, Salado dropped back



It may be some time before the dust settles as James Construction crews have begun work in earnest on the expansion of I-35 through Salado. Currently, most of the work is being done at the south end of town, where crews have cleared woods for the access road and connector to South Main Street. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)



Morgan Daniels  
Valedictorian



Haylee Young  
Salutatorian



(PHOTO BY TIM FLEISCHER)

Jose Peres defends against a Copperas Cove junior varsity player during the JV Eagles' 2-1 loss Jan. 13. Salado began playing soccer in 2012 and will continue to play in 2013.

down to 2A this fall.

The Eagles played 2A, Division I (large school) football against Cameron Yoe, Florence, Lago Vista, Little River Academy, Marlin, McGregor and Troy in District 13AA.

Despite dropping to 2A, the Eagles struggled to a 2-8 record in football. District foe Cameron Yoe finished a perfect 15-0 with the Division I State Championship Dec. 21 over Daingerfield 38-20.

Meanwhile, the cross country teams excelled as the boys took second in state with Alex Cooke leading the team with his fourth place finish overall. The girls placed eighth overall in state and Ashley Adams was 10th overall at State.

Both Salado basketball teams have gotten off to

winning district records this fall and resume district play on Jan. 3. The Eagles will compete in basketball in 2A District 22 in Region III. They will play Cameron Yoe, Florence, Jarrell, Lexington, Little River-Academy, Rogers and Rosebud-Lott.

Salado High senior Dale Clement was announced as a National Merit Semifinalist Sept. 12 by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

Also, 2012 Valedictorian for SHS was Morgan Daniels and Salutatorian Haylee Young. Young was also named one of the nation's top High School debaters this spring.

Salado also saw a soccer program begin at the High School. Even though Salado dropped back down to 2A, it will compete in soccer again this year.

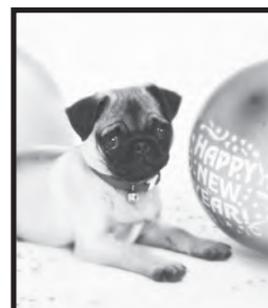
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## Simmons commissioned in Dec. 20 ceremony at UT

Mason Lee Simmons was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Texas National Guard during a ceremony Dec. 20 at the University of Texas at Austin Sanchez Center.

Simmons is the son of Mary (Tena) Simmons, of Academy and formerly of Salado, and Mark Simmons, of Houston, and the grandson of Maryann Fleischer, of Temple and formerly of Salado.

Lt. Col. (Ret) Douglas McNeese, of Academy, administered the Oath of Office to 2LT Simmons. McNeese and Simmons are Lodge brothers in Salado Masonic Lodge #296 and McNeese has been a mentor to Simmons during his four years in college.

His mother Mary Simmons and his sister Haley Simmons pinned his bars on his shoulders with tears in their eyes.

In attendance at the special ceremony were more than two dozen of 2nd Lt. Simmons' family members and friends. His older brother Christian Bartholomew attended, as well as his grandmother and both uncles Ken Fleischer (a former Army Captain), of King of Prussia, PA, and Tim and Marilyn Fleischer of Salado.

Simmons' grandfather, the late Kenneth R.E. Fleischer, retired as a Major in the U.S. Army after two tours of duty in Vietnam.

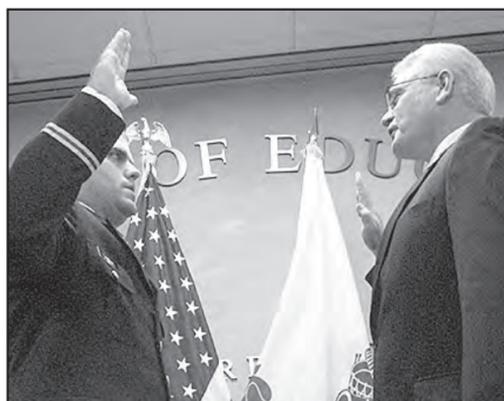
Simmons was born to Mark and Tena Simmons in Killeen. He was reared in Academy, where he attended schools all 12 years. He graduated from Academy High School in 2008 while actively participating in athletics, band and theater, as well as Fellowship of Christian Athletes and church youth groups and ministries.

Simmons enlisted early in the Army and immediately after graduating, Simmons attended US Army Basic Combat Training and US Army Chaplain Center and School located in Ft. Jackson, SC.

In the spring of 2009 he was awarded a four-year scholarship with Texas Army Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC).

He has branched as an Ordnance officer with Texas National Guard and graduated from St. Edward's University in Austin with a BA in History.

Other ROTC members who were commissioned with Simmons include these: Margarita Fox,



Lt. Col. (Ret) Douglas McNeese administers the Oath of Office to Second Lieutenant Mason Simmons during a Dec. 20 ceremony at the University of Texas at Austin.



(PHOTO BY UNCLE TIM FLEISCHER) Second Lieutenant Mason Simmons is all smiles after his sister Haley Simmons and mother Mary (Tena) Simmons, a former Salado school teacher who has taught in Academy ISD for 20 years, pinned his bars on him.

whose brother in Kandahar, Afghanistan was able to watch via the internet, Zan Ray, Jared Reinhardt, who was saluted by his brother, Justin Scaff and Osea Yagomate, who was given the Silver Dollar Salute by his wife Makereta

Yagomate, who recently returned from overseas duty.

Sen. Brian Birdwell, who was severely injured in the Sept. 11, 2001 attack on the Pentagon and awarded the Purple Heart, was the event speaker.

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## Zellie Adams marks her 90th birthday

Zelma (Zellie) Adams celebrated her 90th birthday Dec. 15 with 130-150 friends and family at the Salado Civic Center. Pictured are (from left) members of SHS Class of 1966 John Wilson, Andrea Nidositko Stephens, Zellie Adams (class room mother), Nancy Shepperd Carter, Peggí Adams Wilson and Glenda England Light. Zellie was room mother for their class for 12 years. They attended classes in the "old red school," now known as the Salado Civic Center. Attending, but not pictured from the class of 1966 are Bennie Brooks and Linda Sue Drake Chaney.

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Cedar Valley Baptist Church will bring in the new year with Watch Night Service beginning at 7 p.m. Dec. 31 and continuing past midnight.

Gospel singing will begin at 7 p.m. and continue until about 10 p.m. when singers will break for a pot luck meal.

More singing will follow until the new year is welcomed at midnight.

Special guest gospel singing groups have been invited to take part. Among those expected for the Watch Night Service are the Buelah Land Singers from Temple and The Latimers of Ft. Worth.

Cedar Valley Baptist Church holds monthly gospel singing on the Fourth Fridays. The congregation invites you to come out to these events throughout 2013.

Each year, the church hosts the Watch Night Service in lieu of the Fourth Friday singing.

Cedar Valley Baptist Church is located at 12237 FM 2843 - Salado, which is eight miles west of I-35 on FM 2843 toward Florence.

Traveling southbound on I-35, take exit exit 283 to southbound service road and travel south for almost a mile before turning west on FM 2843.



## Five generations celebrate baby boy's first birthday

Nate Timothy Potter celebrated his first birthday at the home of Tim and Marilyn Fleischer on Dec. 15. Nate was born on Dec. 13, 2011 to Jenny Wiggin and Joey Potter, while they were living in the Salado home of the Fleischers. About 30 members of Nate's family gathered at the Fleischers' for the birthday party, including his uncles and aunts on both sides and his cousins from Copperas Cove and Houston and grandfather from Cove. His maternal great grandparents and great uncle traveled down from Fort Worth. Shown above is five generations of the maternal line from Marion and Lois Click to their great, great grandson Nate Timothy Potter. In the front row are (from left) Paul Leon Cornelius, (great uncle) from Fort Worth, Jenny Lois Wiggin, of Temple, Nate Timothy Potter, of Temple, Marilyn Fleischer, great grandmother, of Salado, and Royce Wiggin, uncle of Salado; (seated above, from left) Marion Leon Click, great, great grandfather of Fort Worth; Joey Potter (father of Temple, Lois Audrey Click, great, great grandmother of Fort Worth and Tim Fleischer great grandfather, of Salado. Jenny Wiggin grew up in Salado, attended all 12 grades of school here.

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# Milley takes command of Ft. Hood

By HEATHER GRAHAM-ASHLEY  
III CORPS AND FORT HOOD  
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Mission readiness and taking care of Soldiers and their Families will remain the top priorities for III Corps and Fort Hood, the incoming Phantom Corps commander said following an assumption of command ceremony here, Dec. 20.

Lt. Gen. Mark A. Milley assumed command of III Corps and Fort Hood during a 10 a.m. ceremony in front of the III Corps Headquarters.

III Corps and Fort Hood's previous commander, Lt. Gen. Don Campbell Jr. relinquished command Nov. 28 to Brig. Gen. James Richardson, who served as interim commanding general until Milley's nomination for the post was confirmed by the Senate.

Campbell now heads U.S. Army Europe and 7th Army in Heidelberg, Germany.

Milley, who was promoted to lieutenant general before the assumption of command ceremony, comes to Fort Hood from Fort Drum, N.Y., where he commanded the 10th Mountain Division. He relinquished command there Dec. 3.

"What a difference 17 days makes," Milley said, noting that a little more than two weeks ago, he was near the Canadian border commanding a light infantry division, and now, he was in Central Texas assuming command of the Army's only armored corps.

Commissioned as an armor officer in 1980, Milley has spent the bulk of his career in light infantry and Special Forces assignments. Commanding the Phantom Corps marks his first assignment overseeing an armored unit, but Milley already has respect for the tanks, Bradleys and AH-64 Apache helicopters, he said, adding that those platforms "bring a tremendous amount of combat power to a battlefield."

Gen. David Rodriguez, commanding general, Forces Command, who served as reviewing officer at the ceremony, acknowledged Milley and his family as a special officer and a special Army family.

"This officer is keenly aware of the mission, capabilities, reputation of this command and we're proud to add his name to the list of those commanders who have commanded since its initial activation in 1918," Rodriguez said. In welcoming III Corps' new commander, Rodriguez cited Milley's combat experience and leadership abilities. "General Milley is a proven combat leader, capable and worthy of the increased responsibility put on his shoulders today," the FORSCOM commander said. "He brings a



## Taking charge

Lt. Gen. Mark Milley, incoming III Corps and Fort Hood commanding general, accepts the III Corps colors during an assumption of command Dec. 20 at the III Corps Headquarters flagpole. (U.S. ARMY PHOTO BY DANIEL CERNERO, III CORPS AND FORT HOOD PUBLIC AFFAIRS)

wealth of experience and proven leadership to this corps and to this military community."

Milley's 32 years in some of the Army's most challenging assignments make him uniquely qualified for this command, Rodriguez said, adding that Milley has extensive experience and is one of the most seasoned combat leaders in the Army today.

Milley's deployments include Egypt, Panama, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Afghanistan and Iraq.

This is Milley's first assignment at Fort Hood, but not the first time he has served with Fort Hood troops. As a brigade commander with the 10th Mtn. Div., Milley's brigade served under the 1st Cavalry Division in Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom II.

Milley brings to the Phantom Command his reputation as a "superb Soldier, a splendid leader and a joint warfighter," Rodriguez said.

"(Milley) is also an expert at building teams and he has that innate ability to draw out the strengths of disparate forces and combine these strengths into a team and focus that team's efforts on mission accomplishment," Rodriguez said.

During his remarks, Milley took time to talk

about the road ahead for III Corps, as well as to reflect on the corps' contributions in the past and recent conflicts.

"The amount of sacrifice and talent that is represented here is unbelievable," Milley said. "I will tell you that it is not going to end this year. Ahead of us is a tough fight."

Noting the corps' upcoming scheduled deployment to Afghanistan, Milley said the corps' Soldiers will continue to beat the enemies of this country as the Phantom Corps has done in the past.

"Although the location is different, it doesn't matter," Milley said. "The cause is the same and the mission is the same -- it is to defend freedom, to liberate the oppressed, it's to build a better peace."

In Afghanistan, III Corps will advise and assist Afghan National Security Forces to stand up and protect and defend their own people, he said.

"We will do that in a professional way," Milley said. "I have no doubt that the seasoned officers and noncommissioned officers and Soldiers of this corps are up to the task."

As the Corps' Soldiers prepare for deployment, Milley stressed that Soldier and Family support also remain a priority.

"It is the Families...

who've had to bear the heaviest burden during the last 12 years," Milley said. "It is you who have given III Corps the strength to overcome all of the obstacles on every deployment."

He also credited the community for the support given the installation. It is support the Milley Family has already seen. At the time of the ceremony, Milley had only been on Fort Hood for four days, but he said he and his family knew they were members of the Fort Hood Family immediately from the warmth and support they have already received.

"That is a reassuring thought for a guy like me," he said.

III Corps' new commanding general said the support from the community and veterans help make Fort Hood what it is.

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## Reshaping Texas Comptroller's new website helps in fight against obesity

(AUSTIN) — More than 1 in 5 Texas children aged 10 to 17 are obese, and obesity puts millions of Texans at risk for chronic disease. In response to the state's obesity epidemic, Texas Comptroller Susan Combs today announced the launch of ReshapingTexas, a new online resource that examines the economic impacts of obesity and identifies areas in the state where children are at risk.

The Web portal contains an interactive mapping function that uses FITNESSGRAM® data and Body Mass Index (BMI) results, collected by school districts and reported to the Texas Education Agency, to visualize where in Texas students are most at risk. The site also spotlights costs associated with obesity, obesity related news, medical research and initiatives across the state aimed at fighting obesity.

"Our goal is to provide a collaborative, interactive clearinghouse of news, data, research and success stories involving Texas' fight to treat and prevent obesity," Combs said. "ReshapingTexas is part of our ongoing effort to give Texans the tools and information they need on the frontlines of this issue. We need people across the state to help tackle obesity head-on, in order to avoid future health and economic pitfalls."

Reshaping Texas encourages users to suggest articles and success stories that may be beneficial to others, and also to get involved. The site will continue to expand as public participation grows and content and tools are added.

The Comptroller's 2011 report Gaining Costs, Losing Time found obesity and related health expenses could cost Texas businesses \$32.5 billion annually by 2030 if current trends continue. Last April, Combs appeared in the HBO documentary The Weight of the Nation, which outlined the social and economic costs of obesity throughout the nation.

This effort, www.ReshapingTexas.org, is the result of legislation in 2011, which instructed the Comptroller's office to build a Web portal to collect research and information on the economic effects of obesity and areas in which children are at risk.

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# Salado Schools & Sports

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## Ultra! Joni Moore finishes in top 5 in world in 320-mile super endurance race

By TIM FLEISCHER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

"If you eat as if you are poor, you will be better off," says Joni Moore of her approach to diet.

For her, "better off" has a different connotation than for most folks. For her, it means being able to compete -- and excel -- in Ultraman endurance competitions across the nation.

While most of America was nodding off after over-indulging on turkey and pumpkin pie, this Salado resident raced against 39 others from around the world in a three-day grueling competition in Hawaii. The three-day race is comprised of endurance swimming, bicycling and running, each of which is a test of fitness in and of itself.

The first day of the invitation-only race is a swim and a bike ride. The swim is 6.2 miles from Kailua Bay to Keauhou Bay. Just think, Michael Phelps' longest race (the 400-meter medley) is about 1/25th the distance Moore swam that day.

But she was not done yet. Moore and the other competitors followed the swim with a 90-mile bike ride. The bike ride climbs 7,600 feet from Keauhou Bay around the southern tip of the big island, finishing at Namakani Paio Park in Hawaii's Volcanoes National Park.

Moore completed this day of the race in less than 11 hours. She swam the 6.2 miles in 4:36:39, followed by a 90-mile bike ride in 6:01:50.

Having a good support crew during each leg of the race is important, Moore says. "I am pretty lucky that I have a great crew in my husband Mike and best friend, Tammy Harbison," she said. "They keep me hydrated with my Infinit drinks, Clif Bars, gels and shots, and other legal secret weapons."

Recuperation is vital between the 6:30 a.m. start times each day of the race. Part of the entry fee includes massage.

"I like to get an ice bath or run cold water over my legs and hips soon after an event," she said. "I wear some compression tights and try to elevate my legs on a pillow while I sleep. The sooner I get done the more sleep I get."

During the race, that is typically eight or nine hours sleep, tops.

Moore finished the second day of the race in fifth

place among women and in 16th place overall. Her time of 9:00:41 over the 171.6 mile bicycle leg was third among women that day to give her an overall time of 19:39:10 through two days.

The final day is running.

A lot of running.

Two marathons, in fact. Stretching 52.4 miles from Hawi to Kawaihae along Route 270, then on to Kailua-Kona finishing on the beach at the Old Airport State Park. Moore ran the double-marathon in 9:04:54, which was fourth among all women competitors. Her final time of 28:44:14 put her in the top five.

In the world. Period.

The Hawaii Ultraman World Championships is by invitation only and all competitors must have competed in at least one other Ultraman competition before being considered for the honor of competing in the 320-mile ultra endurance event.

This type of competition is something Moore has been building up to throughout her 46 years.

"I began running when I was in fifth or sixth grade," she says, admitting a bit of a sibling rivalry. "My older brother was running on the track team. I always wanted to do the sports my brothers did. My dad let me play little league baseball but only because he was coaching one year."

In high school, Moore preferred the distance running of cross country. "It was longer and felt more like an individual accomplishment," she said. "From there I just continued to run on and off as a hobby."

While in the Army after college, Moore realized something: "I could go far and fast."

"At my first duty station I did a 10k and won



(PHOTO BY RICK KENT)  
Joni Moore covers 261.7 miles with her bike.



(PHOTO COURTESY RICK KENT)

Saladoan Joni Moore swims 6.2 miles as part of the Ultraman World Championships in Hawaii. Her crew mate in the kayak is Tammy Harbison.

my age group and then started dreaming of the marathon," she adds. She ran her first two marathons in Munich, Germany in 1991 and 1992. She averages two marathons a year. "Some years I ran zero marathons," she confesses, "some years I ran 10."

She belonged to a club called MAMA (Marathon A Month Athletes), before pursuing an interest in Ironman competitions combining endurance running, swimming and bicycling.

She did her first sprint triathlon in 1992. "I swore I would never do something like that again," she said. "Ouch!"

While in Officer Candidate School in Fort Benning, Georgia in 1995,

Moore was invited to join in an Army marathon team. "She wanted me and a fellow student to leave school and go to San Antonio, Texas to represent Fort Benning in the Army Medical Command Marathon,"

she said. "I chose to run the mile and talked them into letting me bring my bike back to do the triathlon. I know I said I would never do another one (triathlon), but I got to ride my bike on the weekends and during



(PHOTO BY RICK KENT)

Joni Moore runs a double marathon.

free time for the remainder of OCS."

Her competitive nature got the better of her and in 2000, she competed in her next triathlon at the

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## JV girls get past Lexington

JV Girls 27  
Lexington 14

Salado JV Girls held Lexington scoreless for a 4-0 first quarter lead and scored 8 points in the second to enter the half leading 12-5. Lexington closed the gap in the third quarter outscoring Salado 9-3 to enter the fourth trailing Salado by a point 14-15. Salado scored 12 points in the fourth while holding Lexington scoreless to cement the win 27-14.

Samantha Isbell led Salado in scoring with 12 points. Followed by Chyna Dang, 7 points. Also scoring for Salado were Abbie Quick, 2 points; Katy Champion, 2 points; Reina Drake, 2 points; Gemi Vitolas, 2 points.



Chyna Dang fast breaks for a layup as the Salado Eagle JV Girls team defeated Lexington 27-14 Dec. 18 to open district play. (PHOTO BY RON LEGUIN)



(PHOTO BY RON LEGUIN)

McLane Matthews does a flying layup as the Eagle JV Boys opened district play with a 71-24 win over Lexington Dec. 18.

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## JV boys clip wings of Eagles

Salado JV Boys crushed Lexington Dec. 18.

JV Boys 71  
Lexington 24

The Salado JV Boys took a 21-6 lead in the first quarter and scored 17 points in the second to enter the half leading 38-10. Salado added 20 points to the board in the third to make the lead 58-16 and scored 11 in the fourth for a final score of 71-24.

Four Salado players reached double digits in scoring in the game.

Chris Deal led Salado in scoring with 22 points; Justin Tatum, 16 points; Chase Kelly, 12 points; Roddy Noonan, 11 points.

Also scoring for Salado were McLane Matthews, 6 points; R.V. Crusoe, 2 points; Matt Garcia, 1 point; Tyler Leguin, 1 point.

JV and Freshman boys are idle until after Christmas Break when all the teams travel to Rosebud-Lott on Jan. 3.

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suggestion of her brother-in-law Troy. "I doubt they thought it would come to this!"

In a dozen years, Moore has become one of the elite in a sport of elite athletes. After placing fifth in the Ultraman World Championship in November, Moore has set her sights on the Austin Marathon in February, followed by the Nueces 50-mile US trail championship in March, a 70.3 mile triathlon at Buffalo Spring Lake in June, an Ultraman race in Canada in July, the Pikes Peak Ascent and Marathon in August and finishing with her third trip to the Ultraman World Championships in Hawaii in November.

Depending upon the competition itself and her nutrition leading up to and during the competition, Moore can begin training for the next one just days after finishing an endurance race.

"I sometimes feel good enough to start light training or recovery runs as early as the next day," she said.

She trains for weeks ahead of an endurance race, sometimes as many as 20 weeks for one week-end-long competition.

The regimen is one of building and rest periods.

Moore says that she tries "to replicate what I would go through during the race. During a typical week, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday would be key training days for me. On Wednesday, a long swim with a long bike ride after. Thursday, a long bike ride and Friday, was a long run."

Moore labels herself as "uncoachable," but she trains and coaches others in achieving their fitness goals, whatever they might be. She is the owner/operator of Elite fitness, as well as a massage therapist and massage teacher.

She coaches a Masters Swim group in Temple twice a week. You will find her on the trail at Dana Peak park early Sunday mornings before church.

"Working for myself does give me flexibility," Moore said. She adds that she likes the process of planning for the ultra-endurance events. "I enjoy I planning and putting together spreadsheets."

Working in long runs, swims and rides into her work and family requires planning, preparation and loving support.

She and Mike have been married 20 years and he helps her train, as does her best friend Tammy. The three traveled to Ha-



After finishing the three-day race covering 320 miles, Joni Moore is all smiles with her crew of Tammy Harbison and Mike, her husband of 20 years. Tammy and Mike help keep Joni hydrated as she swims 6.2 miles, followed by a 90-mile bike ride on the first day, a 171.4 bike ride the second day and a double marathon run of 52.4 miles the third day. (PHOTO BY RICK KENT)

waii for the Thanksgiving weekend challenge.

"My husband prefers Ultraman to Ironman because he is my crew chief," she explains. "I rely on him to get my stuff to the right place and my food to me at the right time. He seems to enjoy it more now than in the past. Sometimes he does track workouts to get his jogging up to par to keep up for the three days of chasing me."

"My best friend Tammy has her own orthotics business and keeps me running," she said. "She also rides with me, swims, kayaks or paddleboards alongside me during the swim training and avoids me when I ask her to run. She is my swim escort and made me realize just the type of friend I have in her when we hit currents in Hawaii this year. The swim took me and others up to an hour and a half longer than expected."

"She had to sit on the waves as if they were a roller coaster, while trying not to get sick," she said, "watching me on the never ending treadmill that was the ocean."

The rest of her family. Well, they think she's nuts.

Nuts, Moore explains, "in a way that makes me

think they like knowing someone who does this sort of thing but glad I do not ask them to come along."

Moore adds that all of her family are very driven in their own ways. "My parents had six kids, worked hard but were and are always there for each of us and each of the grandchildren."

Back to the initial idea of "eating poor" to be well. Moore clarifies that she does not mean to eat poor in today's view of that, subsidy poor with lots of processed foods like macaroni and cheese, bologna, and salt, sugar and fat.

Rather, she means eat poor as in making smart choices about what you buy and eat.

"Spend money on the nutrient dense food not the calorie dense food," she said. "A spinach salad with kale, almonds, blue berries, tomato, celery and cucumber has enough protein, calcium, antioxidants, and silica and other nutrients to keep you full, healthy, cancer free and able to do the things I do."

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Kase Spears finishes a fast break for Salado with a layup as Salado ran past Lexington 58-44 last week. (PHOTO BY WAYNE WOMAC)

## Eagles cruise past Lexington, 58-44

Salado Eagles defeated the Lexington Eagles Dec. 18 prior to the Christmas break.

**Eagles 58**  
**Lexington 44**

Salado scored 14 points in the first quarter to lead 14-11 and scored 6 points in the second to enter the half leading by a point 20-19. The Lexington Eagles outscored Salado 14-11 in the third to take the lead 33-31 going into the fourth. The Salado Eagles dominated the fourth quarter scoring a total of 27 points to win the game 58-44.

Three Salado players reached double digits in scoring for the game.

Austin Adams led Salado in scoring with 19 points; Dane Hankamer, 15 points; Brandon Womac, 14 points.

Also scoring for the Salado Eagles were Andrew Warren, 4 points; Kase Spears, 3 points; Kyle Heiner, 3 points.

The boys play in the Caprock Tournament in Lubbock Dec. 27-28.



(PHOTO BY WAYNE WOMAC)

Brandon Womac grabs a rebound as the Salado Eagles cruised past Lexington 58-44. Womac had 14 points in the game.

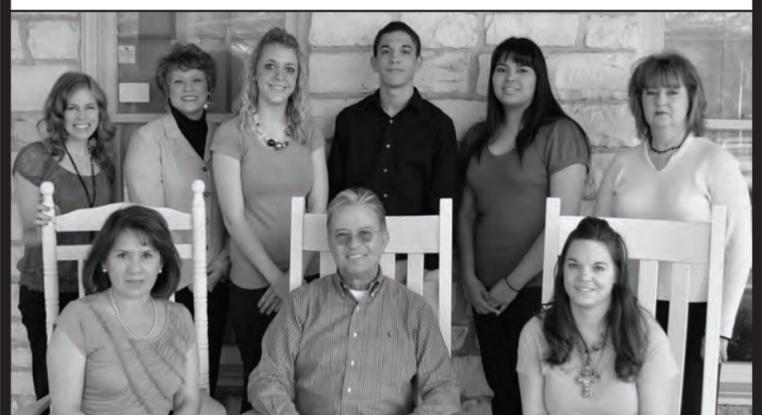


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Meredith Ward takes aim while Lexington Lady Eagles converge around her. Ward led Salado past Lexington with 9 points. (PHOTO BY WAYNE WOMAC)

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## Ladies beat Lexington in district

Salado Lady Eagles beat the Lexington Eagles Dec. 18.

**Lady Eagles 38**  
**Lexington 33**

Salado Lady Eagles led 12-7 in the first quarter and scored 10 in the second to enter the half leading 22-12. Salado scored 7 points in the third to maintain the lead 29-22 going into the fourth. In the fourth Salado scored 9 points to secure the win 38-33.

Meredith Ward and Taryn Kornegay led Salado in scoring, each with 9 points. Followed by Ashley Adams, 8 points.

Also scoring for Salado were Carmela Perez, 5 points; Jaylee Sebek, 4 points; Taylor Atwood, 3 points.

The girls will play in the Thorndale Tournament Dec. 27-29 and again in district play on Jan. 3 on the road against Rosebud-Lott.

## Salado I.S.D. Menus January 2 - 4



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**MONDAYS**  
Beth Moore study of Revelation, "Here and Now... There and Then," 9:15 - 11:15 am at Salado United Methodist Church 650 Royal St., info: 254.947.5465.

**MONDAYS**  
Children's Story Time at the Salado Public Library, 11-11:45 a.m.

**MONDAYS**  
Village Quilters and Knitters, 1:30 p.m. at Village Art Building.

**TUESDAYS**  
Salado Village Artists, Village Art Building, 9:30 a.m.

**TUESDAYS**  
Adult game day at Presbyterian Church of Salado, 10 a.m.

**TUESDAYS**  
Salado Rotary Club, 11:30 a.m.

**TUESDAYS**  
Salado Community

Chorus practice, 6 p.m., Salado Civic Center, unless otherwise noted.

**TUESDAYS**  
Sit & Knit Session at The Salado Yarn Co. inside Southern Comforts, 22 N Main join fellow knitters for casual knitting. 10 - Noon. saladoyarn@gmail.com (no meeting Jan. 1 or 29)

**TUESDAYS**  
Weekly Yoga class 6:30 p.m. at Salado Wine Seller, 841 N. Main St., info tiffyorch@gmail.com.

**TUESDAYS**  
Prix Fixe menu at The Range. Two courses and adult beverage for \$14.95. Terrific for Date Night! Offerings change weekly. Find The Range on Facebook to see this week's menu or call 254-947-3828.

**THURSDAYS**  
Martinis and Manicures at The Lounge at The Range. \$25 for 2 ladies night adult beverages, a manicure and a selection of appetizers. Call 254-947-3828 to book your appointment. Space is limited.

**FRIDAYS**  
Al-Anon Meeting, 12 noon, at United Methodist Church (650 Royal Street) in the Youth Activities Building in the back to the left of the church. Newcomers and seasoned Al-Anons are encouraged to visit.

**FRIDAYS**  
Live music at The Lounge, upstairs at The Range Restaurant on Main St., beginning at 7 p.m. Artists change weekly.

**FIRST SATURDAY**  
Sit & Knit Session at The Salado Yarn Co. inside Southern Comforts, 22 N Main join fellow knitters for casual knitting. 10 - Noon. saladoyarn@gmail.com

**SECOND SATURDAY**  
Game Night at 3C Cowboy Fellowship, 7-10 p.m. Bring your own drinks (no alcohol) and snacks and games to play. For adults who are young at heart. 947-7211

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**SATURDAYS**  
Recycling program, 9 a.m.-noon on the grounds of the Salado Arts Workshop, 113 Salado Plaza Drive. Glass is accepted.

**SATURDAYS**  
Live Music at Rising Star Vineyards. 7-9:30 p.m.

**SATURDAYS**  
Live music at The Lounge, upstairs at The Range Restaurant on Main St., beginning at 7 p.m. Artists change weekly.

**SUNDAYS**  
Brunch at Inn on the Creek, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Call 254-947-5554.

**SUNDAYS**  
New open discussion Al-Anon Meeting in Salado, 6 p.m. Salado at United Methodist Church in the Youth Activities Building in the back.

**DECEMBER 20-JANUARY 1**  
Salado ISD Holiday for students, teachers. or more info, visit www.saladosilverspur.com. Attendance is limited to 150

**DECEMBER 27**  
Salado Toastmasters Club meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Salado Visitors Center. For information, contact Frank Jaworski, at 254-541-7677 or frank-jaworski@gmail.com.

**DECEMBER 28**  
Cassandra Taylor at The Lounge, upstairs at The Range Restaurant on Main St., 7 p.m.

**DECEMBER 29-30**  
Lariat Bowl roping at Wildfire Ranch Arena. Visit wildfirearena.com for details.

**DECEMBER 29**  
Sing for Sirena fundraiser at Salado Silver Spur Theater. For more information, please contact Gary Askins at 947-9066 or Richard Paul Thomas at 947-4717 or via email at RpT@tbc-group.com.

**DECEMBER 31**  
Special five-course menu at Inn on the Creek. Call for reservations, 254-947-5554.

**DECEMBER 31**  
The Judith Miller Band performs at The Lounge at The Range Restaurant.

For reservations for fine dining, call 254-947-3828.

**DECEMBER 31**  
Gary P. Nunn will perform in concert at The Legend Club. Tickets are \$30 per individual, or \$50 per couple, includes champagne and black eyed peas and cornbread at midnight and snacks throughout the night.

**DECEMBER 31**  
New Year's Eve

Watch Night services, FM 2843, 7 p.m. Potluck at 10 p.m. Singing until past midnight to bring in the new year.

**DECEMBER 31**  
New Year's Eve with Gary P. Nunn at The Legend Club.

**JANUARY 5**  
Bell County Team Roping at Wildfire Ranch Arena.

**JANUARY 7**  
Monday Club, 2 p.m. at Salado United Methodist Church in Youth Activities Center.

**JANUARY 7**  
Salado Historical Society board of directors meeting, 6 p.m., Salado Civic Center.

**JANUARY 7**  
Salado Athletic Booster Club meeting, 7 p.m. in the Salado High School Library.

**JANUARY 10**  
Salado Chamber of Commerce Annual Awards Banquet, 6 p.m. Tenroc Ranch. Tickets Are \$35 Each, or \$280 for a table. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or \$20 for five. Reservations, 254-947-5040 or chamber@salado.com.

**JANUARY 13**  
The Chapel at Caliber Oak Music Series performance. Rebecca Muniz, vocalist and Alvez Barkoskie IV, pianist. Email Denise Thomssen at deniset@clearwire.net for details, reservations.

**JANUARY 15**  
Village of Salado Daughters of the Republic of Texas will meet 11 a.m. at the Central Texas Area Museum. Dutch treat lunch afterward.

**JANUARY 17**  
Salado Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meeting, 8:30 a.m. in the Salado Visitors Center.

**JANUARY 17**  
Journeymen, 6:30 p.m. at Salado United Methodist Church in the Youth Activities Center.

**JANUARY 21**  
Salado United Methodist Women, 5:45 p.m., Salado United Methodist Church room 117.

**JANUARY 21**  
Salado ISD Board of Trustees meeting, 6 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

**JANUARY 26-27**  
Texas High School and Junior High School Rodeo at Wildfire Ranch Arena.

**JANUARY 28**  
Salado Public Library District Board of Directors meeting, 4 p.m.

**FEBRUARY 9**  
Salado On The Rocks with Late Night Shopping, Late Night Dining and Signature Mixed Drinks, 5-9 p.m. For more information, visit www.saladoevents.com or call 254-947-8634.

**FEBRUARY 2-3**  
Central Texas Barrel Racing Association Barrel Race at Wildfire Ranch Arena.

**FEBRUARY 8-10**  
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**FEBRUARY 10**  
The Chapel at Caliber Oak Music Series performance. Teri Johnson, vocalist and Guilherme Almeida, pianist. SEE CALENDAR, PAGE 3C

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# Calendar

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Email Denise Thomssen at [deniset@clearwire.net](mailto:deniset@clearwire.net) for details, reservations.

**FEBRUARY 16-17**  
Texas High School and Junior High School Rodeo at Wildfire Ranch Arena.

**FEBRUARY 18**  
Salado ISD Holiday for students, teachers.

**FEBRUARY 28-MARCH 3**  
Texas Association of Legions of Honor gathering in Salado.

**MARCH 3**  
The Chapel at Caliber Oak Music Series performance. Megan Meisenbach, flutist and Elaine Barber, harpist. Email Denise Thomssen at [deniset@clearwire.net](mailto:deniset@clearwire.net) for details, reservations.

**MARCH 14**  
Salado Area Republican Women Fine China Luncheon. Details to follow. Nancy Norris, 947-3333.

**MARCH 18-22**  
Salado ISD Holiday for students, teachers.

**MARCH 23-24**  
Wildflower Arts & Crafts Show. A variety of artists, artisans and crafters on the bank of the Salado Creek. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. sponsored by the Salado Chamber of Commerce. For applications, call 254-947-5040, visit [www.salado.com](http://www.salado.com) or email [chamber@salado.com](mailto:chamber@salado.com).

**MARCH 29**  
Salado ISD Holiday for students, teachers.

**APRIL 4-7**  
The Packards are coming! 36th Annual Texas Packard Meet in Salado. For info call or email the meet registrar at 210-922-1300 or [belark@stic.net](mailto:belark@stic.net). Info at [www.texaspackardmeet.com](http://www.texaspackardmeet.com).

**APRIL 6**  
Texas Brangus Breeders Association, Tenroc Ranch Chisholm Center.

**APRIL 13**  
Wagyu Cattle Sale, Tenroc Ranch Chisholm Center.

**APRIL 14**  
The Chapel at Caliber Oak Music Series performance. Denise Thomssen, flutist and Erin Young, pianist. Email Denise Thomssen at [deniset@clearwire.net](mailto:deniset@clearwire.net) for details, reservations.

**APRIL 19-21**  
Annual Lincolns car club gathering in Salado. More details to come.

**APRIL 20**  
Paint the Ranch Red, Tenroc Ranch Blue Heron Center.

**APRIL 26-27**  
Texas Junior Hereford Association, Tenroc Ranch Chisholm Center.

**APRIL 27-28**  
Thunderbirds are coming to Salado. More details to come.

**MAY 9-11**  
Annual MG Register in Salado Mother's Day weekend. Details to come.

**MAY 18**  
Second Annual Brave Rifles Run, sponsored by the Third Cavalry Regiment and Third Cavalry Association. Event will include 5K and 10K runs for adults and 1K children's fun run. Celebrate the Regiment's Birthday and provide an outstanding military/civilian community event.

**MARCH 2-3**  
Texas High School and Junior High School Rodeo at Wildfire Ranch Arena.

**MARCH 23-24**  
Central Texas Barrel Racing Association Barrel Race at Wildfire Ranch Arena.

**MAY 16**  
Chisholm Trail American Business Women's Style Show and Benefit Luncheon. 11-1 held at The Venue. Barclay McCort 947-3617.

**MAY 27**  
Salado ISD Holiday for students, teachers.

**MARCH 29-31**  
Joe Beaver's Youth Calf Roping at Wildfire Ranch Arena.

**JUNE 5**  
Final Day of Classes for Salado ISD Students.

**JUNE 8**  
Dog Daze of June, 9 a.m.-noon. Salado Chamber of Commerce invites you to participate in Salado's Dog Daze of Summer-Pace Park Pooch Parade! The parade for pups and their people will serve as a fundraiser for the chamber, with a portion of the proceeds going to the Wounded Warrior Canine Training Program. Sponsorship opportunities are available. Sponsorship includes one 10X10 booth space, your logo on the event banner and in all future publicity! It is sure to be a tail wagging good time! For more information contact the Chamber at 254-947-5040 or email [chamber@salado.com](mailto:chamber@salado.com).

**JULY 13**  
Annual Salado Swirl, featuring the wines of 13 Texas wineries.

**JULY 20, 27 AND AUGUST 3**

Salado Legends at Tablerock Amphitheater.

**AUGUST 2**  
Midnight Madness Down Main, 5 K fundraiser for Salado Chamber of Commerce.

**SEPTEMBER 20-22**  
Salado Chocolate & Wine Weekend.

**SEPTEMBER 27**  
Salado Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament.

**OCTOBER 11-12**  
Christmas in October at the Stagecoach Inn.

**OCTOBER 26-27**  
47th Annual Salado Art Fair at Pace Park.

**OCTOBER 26-27**  
Fright Trail at Tablerock.

**NOVEMBER 8-10**  
52nd Annual Gathering of the Scottish Clans and Highland Games.

**DECEMBER 5**  
Christmas Stroll Parade, 5 p.m., Main Street.

**DECEMBER 6-7**  
A Christmas Carol at Tablerock.

**DECEMBER 6-8**  
Annual Christmas Stroll

**DECEMBER 13-14**  
A Christmas Carol at Tablerock.

**DECEMBER 13-15**  
Salado Christmas Stroll.

LIST YOUR EVENTS FOR 2013 HERE. EMAIL DETAILS TO [NEWS@SALADOVILLAGEVOICE.COM](mailto:NEWS@SALADOVILLAGEVOICE.COM) EVENTS WILL ALSO BE LISTED ON THE NEWSPAPER WEBSITE CALENDAR.

## Ring in New Year with Gary P. Nunn

Ring in the New Year with Texas music legend Gary P. Nunn at The Legend Club in Salado.

Tickets for the evening are \$30 per person, \$50 per couple and include snacks throughout the evening, champagne, black-eyed peas and cornbread at midnight.

Gary P. Nunn has been taking Texas to the country and Texas country to the world for some 40 years now, establishing himself as an icon of Lone Star music. A founding father of the progressive country movement out of Austin in the 1970s that changed the face of popular music, Nunn is also an independent music pioneer who continues to oversee

his own record label and song publishing companies, manage his own career (with the help of his wife Ruth), and play most every weekend at top music venues throughout Texas and beyond.

His composition "London Homesick Blues" — with its internationally known "I wanna go home with the Armadillo" chorus — is a signature Texas country song that was the theme for the PBS concert TV show "Austin City Limits" for nearly three decades. It's no wonder that All Music Guide hails him as "a Texas music institution."

Mayor Rick Perry named Nunn as a Texas Music Ambassador in

2007. Born in Oklahoma, Gary P. Nunn found his heart's true home in the Lone Star State after his family moved to West Texas when he was in sixth grade.

When he landed in Austin in 1967 to study pharmacy at the University of Texas, he presaged the "cosmic cowboy" movement to come. After Willie Nelson, Michael Murphey and Jerry Jeff Walker all moved to town, Nunn was such a pivotal figure on the scene that at one point he was playing bass with all three artists.

For tickets, call The Legend Club at 947-2582 or visit [saladolegendclub.com](http://saladolegendclub.com).



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Black-eyed pea caviar with tortilla chips

==== Second Course Selections =====

Warm Spinach salad with bacon, hard boiled egg, toasted Pine Nuts, Mushrooms, and a Honey mustard vinaigrette  
or  
French Fish soup with Garlic Aioli, Gruyere, Croutons

==== Entree Course Selections =====

Lamb Chop Lollipops over Rosemary Spiked White Beans, Braised Kale and Piquant Sauce  
or  
Fried Lobster Tails and Filet combination, Dauphinoise, Vegetable potage w/ honey mustard (add \$6)  
or  
Pan Seared red fish with Black Lentils, vegetable potage and fennel slaw  
or  
Vegetarian Option  
house made pasta puntanesca with fresh grated parmesan reggiano

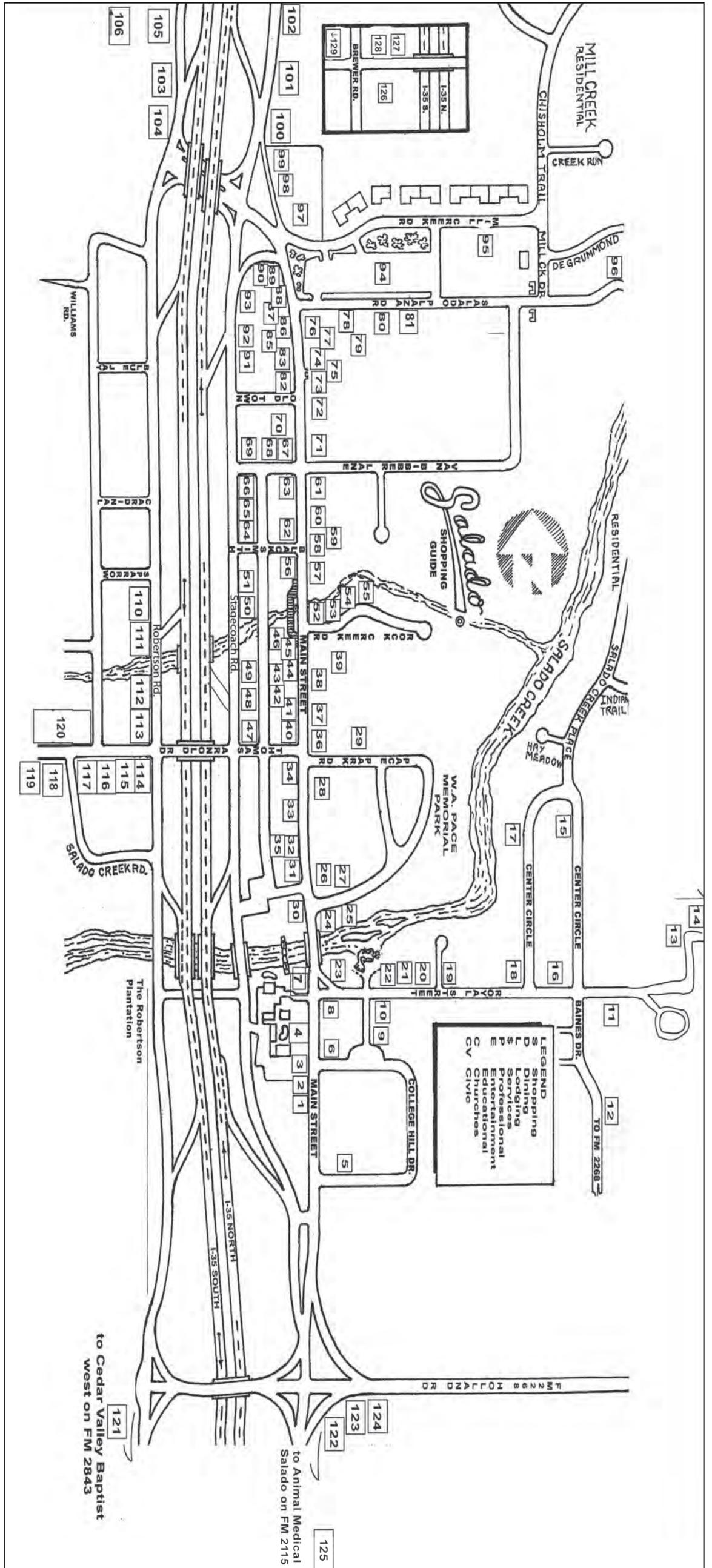
==== Dessert Selections =====

Sweet potato pie with Cinnamon Whipped Cream  
or  
Apple tart tatin with Vanilla Bean Ice Cream  
or  
Warm oatmeal cake with Stewed Pears, Honey cinnamon tuile, and crispy Pear Chip

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- 6. Central Texas Area Museum 947-5232E  
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- 9. Salado Glassworks 947-0339 S
- 11. Tablerock Theater 947-9205 E
- 13. Salado United Methodist Church 947-5482 C
- 16. The Baines House 947-5260 L  
866/725-2367
- 17. Inn on the Creek 947-5554 D  
Alexander's 947-5554 D
- 20. Springhouse 254-947-0747 S  
Johnnies Cleaners 770-0355 \$  
(inside Springhouse)
- 22. Salado Silver Spur Theater 947-3456 E
- 23. Salado Mercantile 231-1399 S
- 24. YOUphoria Day Spa & Salon 947-3772 \$
- 26. **CREEKSIDE CENTER**  
Prellop Fine Art Gallery 947-3930 S  
Susan Marie's 947-5239 S  
Strawberry Patch 947-9955 S
- 27. Oo La La 275-4520 S
- 30. First Baptist Church 947-5465 C
- 32. **THE VERANDA**  
First Texas Brokerage 947-5577 P  
First State Bank 947-5852 \$
- 34. **FIRST CENTRE at 40 N. Main**  
First Community Title 947-8480 P  
Farmers Ins. 947-0995 P  
Zbraneck Agency
- 35. Salado Masonic Lodge #296 CV
- 37. Inn at Salado 947-0027 L
- 38. **SALADO SQUARE**  
Linda Rountree Pritchard-Egg 947-4263 P
- 39. The Range 947-3828 D
- 40. Family Dentistry 947-5242 P  
Dr. Douglas B. Willingham
- 42. MudPies Pottery and Sir Wigglesworth Fudge 947-0281 S
- 45. Ki Ki Creations 855-5538 S
- 46. Rising Star Vineyards Winery and Bistro 947-5247 S
- 50. Salado Fire Dept. 947-8961 CV
- 51. Salado Church of Christ 947-5241 CV
- ROCK CREEK**
- 54. Charlotte's of Salado 947-0240 S
- 56. The Pizza Place 947-0022 D
- 57. **THE COLONY**  
Griffith Fine Art 947-3177 S  
Salado Creek Winery 947-9000 S  
El Paisa 541-9256 D
- 61. **SALADO CIVIC SQUARE**  
McCains Bakery and Cafe 947-DELI D
- 64. The Village of Salado 947-5060 CV
- 69. Salado Creek Antiques 947-1800 S
- 70. **STAGESTOP**  
Bruce A. Bolick, CPA 718-7299 P  
The Yoga Room 220-0932 P
- 71. **SALADO CIVIC CENTER**  
Salado Civic Center 947-8300 CV  
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SISD Administration 947-5479 E  
Village Art Center E
- 73. **VISITORS CENTER** 947-8634 CV  
Chamber of Commerce 947-5040 CV
- 75. Salado Wine Seller 947-8011 S
- 79. Presbyterian Church of Salado 947-8106 C
- 80. **SALADO SCULPTURE GARDEN** E
- 83. Upscale Interiors Furniture Resale Gallery 947-8098 S
- 87. Century 21 Bill Bartlett Real Estate 947-5050 P
- 88. Subway Old Fashioned Burgers and Ice Cream 947-5593 D  
947-5271 D
- 89. The Personal Wealth Coach 947-1111 P
- 93. First Salado, A Horizon Bank 947-8636 \$
- 94. **SALADO PLAZA**  
Ace Hardware 947-4008 S  
Edward Jones, Jeremy Grimm 947-5128 P  
Salado Village Voice 947-5321 \$  
Ace Pest Control 947-4222 \$  
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Computer Services 291-6354 S  
Finney Insurance 947-3599 P  
Monteith Abstract & Title Co. 947-3922 \$  
The Haire Shop  
Tammy Haire 760-1990 \$/S



- 95. Deanna's Floral 947-0222 S
- 97. Salado Public Library 947-9191 E
- 98. Salado Cleaners 947-7299 \$
- 99. Finders Keepers 1-325.665.5669 S
- 101. Holiday Inn Express 947-4004 L
- 102. Best Western Plus 947-4001 L
- 103. Robertson's Hams 947-5562 D/S
- 104. Cowboys Bar-B-Q 947-5700 D
- 105. Salado Veterinary Hospital 947-8058 S
- 106. The Legend Club 947-2582 E/D
- 110. Bush's Chucken 947-0702 D
- 115. Johnny's Steaks & Bar-Be-Que 947-4663
- Crain Chiropractic & Wellness 947-2225 P
- Mill Creek Cleaners 947-0100 \$
- 116. The Dog Spot 947-3647 \$
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- 121. Cedar Valley Baptist Church 947-0148 C
- 122. Brooks Fine Western Wear 947-8860 S
- 124. St. Stephen Catholic Church 947-8037 C
- 125. Animal Medical Salado 947-8800 \$  
The Play Yard  
Preschool Center 947-1153 \$
- 126. Salado High School 947-5429 E  
Salado Fire Department 947-8961 CV
- 127. TranQuil Gardens R.V. Park 947-5192 L
- 128. Grace Baptist Church of Salado 947-5917 C
- 129. Janelle's of Salado 947-0423 S

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**NORTH**  
♠AKQ9  
♥852  
♦Q84  
♣1094

**WEST**  
♠J1043  
♥J  
♦J1095  
♣KJ65

**EAST**  
♠—  
♥109763  
♦AK7  
♣Q8732

**SOUTH**  
♠87652  
♥AKQ4  
♦632  
♣A

The bidding:  
North East South West  
Pass Pass 1♠ Pass  
3♠ Pass 4♠  
Opening lead — jack of diamonds.

## Dont' take anything for granted

### Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

When you're declarer in a contract that seems unbeatable, it's incumbent upon you to ask yourself whether any division of the adverse cards can defeat you. If you think along such lines, you will sometimes avert an unexpected defeat. Consider what happened to South in this deal where the defenders cashed three diamonds before shifting to a heart.

Declarer won with the ace and led a trump to dummy's queen, on which East showed out. A low club to the ace was followed by another trump, dummy winning West's ten with the king. South now ruffed dummy's nine of clubs and led still another trump, finessing the nine after West followed low.

With only one trump left in each hand and the lead in dummy, declarer cashed the ace but had to lose a heart trick to East at the end and so went down one. However, he should have made the contract.

After declarer wins East's heart return at trick four, he should ask himself, "What can defeat me?" Obviously, the only danger is a 4-0 trump division. If East has the four trumps, the contract is hopeless, so declarer arbitrarily assigns them to West. As we've already seen, the contract fails if South immediately tackles trumps.

Instead, South should cash the ace of clubs before leading a trump to the queen. This might not have the earmarks of an earth-shattering play, but it has the great virtue of making the contract instead of losing it. It protects against West holding four trumps. When East shows out on the queen of trumps, South ruffs a club and leads another trump, winning West's ten with the king. Another club ruff reduces

## Super Crossword

**ACROSS**

1 Served in blazing liquor

7 Wise saying

12 Little hit

15 Pea protectors

19 Of direct descent

20 True-blue

21 Lifting melody

22 Region

23 Classic 1942 horror film, in old Addis Ababa?

26 Lab animals

27 Ovid's "Lol"

28 Salute

29 Nephew of Abel

30 Question to someone who's not responding, in Isfahan?

37 Lasagna cheese

39 Advice bits

40 School for Prince Harry

41 Reply to "No you're not"

44 Born, in a bridal bio

45 1965 Jane Fonda comedy, on an Indonesian island?

50 Firearm-cleaning aid

55 Atlanta-to-Tampa dir.

56 Fish hawk

57 Partner of ifs and ands

59 Singer Nyro

60 Costa —, California

61 "La Cage aux Folles" role

63 Much-loved Harry Chapin hit, on Mt. Everest?

71 Ellipsoidal

72 Ump's cry

73 Molecular bit

74 Rigatoni, e.g.

76 Bonkers

77 Italian port

80 Soft drink

83 Under one's control

85 "Peace Train" singer, in Rangoon?

88 — step further

90 Nothing

**DOWN**

1 Tampa loc.

2 Ad. — (play it by ear)

3 "— news?"

4 Month, in Monterey

5 Most sordid

6 Bring out

7 Noncitizen

8 — good job

9 Objectivist writer Rand

10 Chasm

11 Mourner's poem

12 Bind with a bandage

13 Airplane part

14 Less ugly

15 Mom or dad

16 Navel, e.g.

17 Reroute

18 Is cheeky with

24 Univ. sports org.

25 Genoa gold

30 Gyro wraps

31 School, in Somme

32 Rice-A-—

33 Loonlike bird

34 "—, can you see ..."

35 Travail

36 NBA's Shaq

37 Soldiers in gray

41 Suffix with law or saw

42 U.S. vice president

43 Get up onto

46 Caroling song

47 Lamb writing

48 Fixed, as a dog

49 Orrin Hatch's state

51 Woman of the house

52 Repented of

53 Verbal

54 Take a risk

58 Is larcenous

60 Island off Sicily

61 Slowing, on a mus. score

62 Four duos

64 Southwest tribe

65 Tennis' Lendl

66 Squoosh

67 Iraqi or Saudi

68 Quite a drag

69 Karamel — (Ben & Jerry's flavor)

70 Wooer's flower

75 It may be acute or right

77 United — College Fund

78 Take — at (try)

79 Animal companion

80 Pitcher Martinez

81 "It's just — those things"

82 Low-key

84 "Obey me!"

86 A great deal

87 Head

88 Corleone

89 Sea — (reef creature)

92 Actress Sanford

93 — Creed

94 Emmylou or Franco

95 Alters formally

96 Boss

98 Leader of the Belmonts

99 First phases

100 Hansel's sib

102 3 R's org.

103 Pacify

104 Waters down

110 "— heard enough!"

111 Texas tea

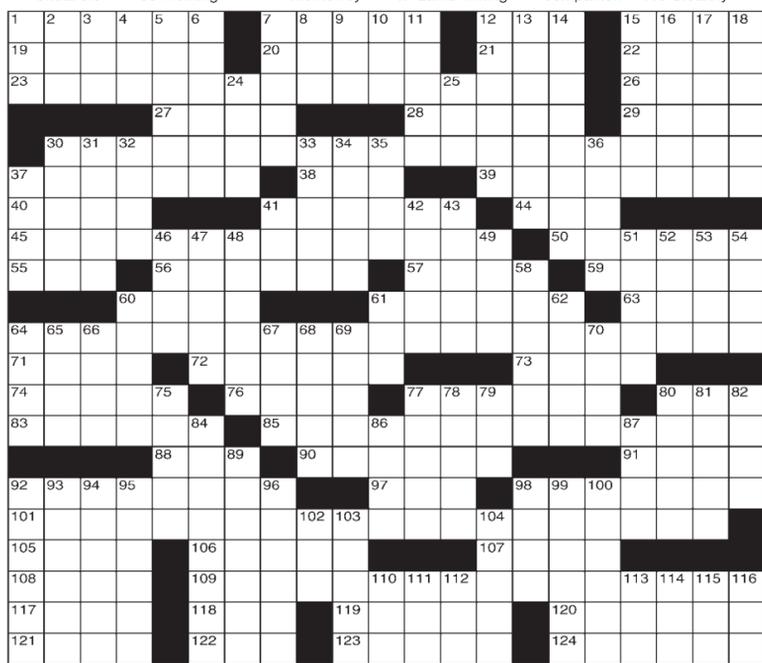
112 40 winks

113 Live

114 Apply frosting to

115 Authorize to

116 Stealthy



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South to one trump while West and dummy each have two. South now leads his last trump, trapping West's J-4 with dummy's A-9, and finishes by discarding his heart loser on dummy's last trump.

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4	7	3	5	6	9	8	1	2
2	8	5	7	4	1	6	3	9
1	6	9	8	3	2	4	1	5
8	2	7	4	9	5	1	6	3
9	5	1	3	7	2	8	4	6
6	3	7	1	2	8	9	5	7
5	9	2	7	4	1	6	3	9
3	1	8	2	5	7	4	9	6
4	7	3	5	6	9	8	1	2

Answer  
— Weekly SUDOKU —

Sudoku  
—

## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

8			1			7		
	6		4			8		
		3			9			5
7			8			4		
		2		7				6
	9			4		2		
5			3					1
		9	1			5		
	1			5		4		

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

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★**

★ Moderate   ★★ Challenging  
★★★ HOO BOY!

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Darlene Rabideau owner of Anatolia Home Decor and Design located at 230 N. Main (next door to the Pizza Place) cut the official ribbon opening the doors on Aug. 9. Her husband Alan Rabideau M.D. was also present to join in the celebration. Darlene shared some of her background with those attending, "We came to Salado because we felt there was a niche in the market that was not being filled in this area. After working in Georgetown for the past 6 years I saw an increase in need in this area for design services and home furnishings. I lived in Temple for several years and have friends who complained that they needed something closer than Austin for design services. With my knowledge of this area I felt it was a good time to make our move into this market and offer these services for people building or remodeling." She offers custom bedding and window treatments, as well as lighting, home furnishings and handmade rugs. "I look forward to working with the people of Central Texas."

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Salado Chamber of Commerce held the official ribbon cutting and grand opening of Sirril Gallery on Oct. 26, at 102 N. Main St., Salado. Michael Pritchett is cutting the ribbon. Sirril Gallery features the work of artist Michael Pritchett, who works in mixed media and 3D collage. The Gallery will move to its new home, opening at #1 Royal St., above Rosanky's in February.

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Especially this nerd, who read Tolkien's slim tome more than 30 years ago and has been a voracious reader ever since.

Jackson captures Tolkien's Middle Earth with a deft combination of computer-animation and skillful fimography.

Clocking in at more than three hours, however, it may be a bit much for the attention span of tykes or the bladders of just about everyone!

The Hobbit begins -- as does the book -- with An Unexpected Party. There 13 dwarves join Gandalf the Grey (Ian McKellan) in the tidy hole in the

### Movie Review

BY TIM FLEISCHER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF



ground that Bilbo Baggins calls home.

Makeup and costumes are brilliant, as they were in the Lord of the Rings Trilogy by Jackson, which culminated in The Return of the King winning 11 Academy awards.

Gollum (Andy Serkis) steals the show when he is introduced almost two hours into the movie. Through computer graphics, Gollum is masked over Serkis's body and facial expressions.

The costuming and filmography are surpassed only by the music, composed by Howard Shore.

This first installment of The Hobbit (there will be two other movies, logging in for a total of more than nine hours) hints at Smaug, the terrible dragon.

Can't wait for Smaug to make his appearance in the next movie.

After all, Smaug launched a fascination with fantasy that resulted in far too many hours spent behind a Dungeon master's screen with tomes of D&D spread out on the table.

Now, if only I had those 20-sided dice and a few long-missed friends!

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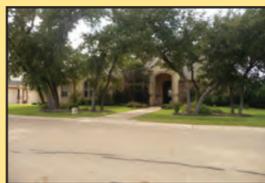
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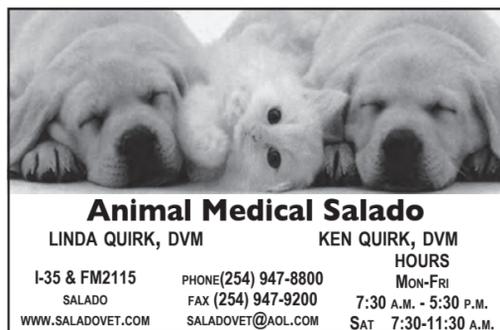
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The Salado Golf Club at Mill Creek, Incorporated ("The Club") invites interested parties (collectively "Proposer") to submit a plan to lease and develop the Creekside Restaurant located at Mill Creek Drive low water crossing for food service use and the daily operation of 19<sup>th</sup> Hole Grill located adjacent to the Golf Pro Shop ("Property").

#### SECTION I BACKGROUND

The Creekside Facility is located on Southridge Drive near the landmark Salado Creek low water crossing on the Eighth Tee of The Club. The 19<sup>th</sup> Hole Grill is attached to the Golf Pro Shop near the First Tee

Designed in 1981 the Golf Course is the creation of the world famous golf course architect Robert Trent Jones, Jr. The facility, once known as the Creekside Club, was a favorite dining facility of the community from the inception of the golf course and into the late 1990's. Its services were terminated when a commercial golf course corporation took ownership of the Club. It remains a potential community landmark and gathering place. Salado itself is a destination point for tourists throughout the State of Texas; the golf facility is one of the major reasons along with the historic nature of the Village and its vibrant shopping district.

#### SECTION II INTENT

The Club by this Request for Proposal (RFP) sets forth its intent to consider a proposal for the lease and development of the Property for Restaurant/Banquet/Catering/Supporting uses or an alternative use acceptable to The Club. In addition this RFP must contain the Proposer's plans to operate the 19<sup>th</sup> Hole Grill and related beverage carts on a daily basis.

#### SECTION III PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

Proposal must contain the following:

- 1) The proposed lease terms indicating that the Proposer will begin operating the 19<sup>th</sup> Hole and related beverage carts on a daily basis immediately upon the purchase of the golf course. The intent of the Proposer to begin operation of the Creekside Facility within a reasonable time after the upgrade of the facility (see Section V).
- 2) A copy of the Proposer's current, valid Liquor License issued by the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission. The Proposer must maintain a valid Liquor License during the term of the lease of the two facilities.
- 3) An Affirmative Statement that the successful Proposer shall operate consistent with the intent of the Club's Bylaws.
- 4) A resume' of previous experience identifying not less than five (5) years of experience directly related to the proposed use of the Property.
- 5) The primary contact name and information including telephone, fax and email.

#### SECTION IV PREFERRED PROPOSAL

The preferred proposal should:

- 1) Indicate the percentage of gross revenues the Proposer intends to pay The Club on a monthly basis for the lease on the facilities outlined in this RFP.
- 2) Not require any financial assistance for The Club.
- 3) Provide for an initial lease term of not more than five (5) years.
- 4) Provide a complete description of the Proposer's team including names, responsibilities, experience of all persons or entities having a beneficial interest in the proposal. The Proposer's team must include the current Grill Manager of the 19<sup>th</sup> Hole.
- 5) Include a commitment to develop, maintain and operate the business.

#### SECTION V THE CLUB PROVIDES

The Club will provide:

- 1) Assistance with the application and receipt of any Village regulatory approvals as required for the operation of the facilities.
- 1) Basic upgrade of the Creekside building including painting and flooring within a reasonable time after the purchase of the facilities.
- 2) The beverage carts to be used by the Proposer.

#### SECTION VI PROPOSAL PACKAGE

Please submit three (3) copies of the RFP.

#### SECTION VII DELIVERY

Proposals should be marked "PROPOSAL FOR THE SALADO GOLF CLUB AT MILL CREEK, INCORPORATED" and delivered (by hand, courier, or FedEx) to:

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#### SECTION VIII DEADLINE

Proposals received after the specified time and date will not be considered.

#### SECTION IX SCHEDULE

- 1) Issue/advertise the Request for Proposal on or before December 20, 2012
- 2) The last day for questions is Friday, January 4, 2013. Any questions can be addressed to Mr. Terry Dill (Cell: 512-826-5522) or Mr. Bruce Bolick (Cell: 254-718-7299).
- 3) Proposals are due on Monday, January 7, 2012.
- 4) Finalized lease agreement on or before Friday, February 15, 2013.

#### SECTION X SELECTION

All conforming proposals shall be submitted to the Board of Directors for consideration and approval.

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**The Benefits of Public Transportation; Pesticides and Children's Health**

*Dear EarthTalk: It might seem obvious, but what would be the primary benefits of public transit as an alternative to the private automobile if our country were to make a major commitment to it? James Miller-ton, Armstrong, PA*

The benefits of making a major commitment to building up and efficiently managing a larger and more comprehensive public transit network are many.

According to the National Alliance of Public Transportation Advocates (NAPTA), an organization that represents grassroots transit coalitions, organizations and advocates, expanded public transit, coordinated with greener development and other "operational efficiencies," can reduce our carbon footprint by some 24 percent, which is significant given that carbon dioxide (CO2) output from the transportation sector as a whole account for 28 percent of total U.S. greenhouse gas emis-



sions. After all, buses and trains burn much less fuel per rider than a car with a single rider in it. Switching to public transit for a typical 20-mile round trip commute would decrease a commuter's annual greenhouse gas emissions by some 4,800 pounds a year, which is equal to about a 10 percent reduction in a two-car household's carbon footprint.

Another group, the American Public Transit Association (APTA), reports that current use of public transit in the U.S. already saves 37 million metric tons of CO2 annually, equivalent to the emissions resulting from electricity generation to power some five million typical American homes.

A massive shift to public transit would also be good for our pocketbooks. According to NAPTA, U.S. car owners can save as much as \$112 billion a year in gasoline and other vehicle costs. "Public transportation offers an immediate alternative for individuals seeking to reduce their energy use and carbon footprints," reports NAPTA. "Taking public transportation far exceeds the combined benefits of using energy-efficient light bulbs, adjusting thermostats, weatherizing one's home, and replacing a refrigerator."

As to reducing oil use, NAPTA says public transit already saves Americans the equivalent of 4.2 billion gallons of gasoline annually, or some 900,000 automobile fill-ups every day. And the Texas Transportation Institute (TTI) reports that individuals who live in areas served by public transportation save more than 300 million gallons of fuel a year. Meanwhile individuals can save upwards of \$9,000 a year by taking public transportation instead of driving and by living with one less car.

An improved quality of life is yet another benefit of more public transit. In some ways public transit can be considered a life saver: It produces 95 percent less carbon monoxide

and nearly 50 percent less nitrogen oxide—both key triggers for asthma and other respiratory and cardiovascular health problems—per passenger-mile than driving a private vehicle. Also, transit users tend to be healthier than car commuters because they walk more, which increases their fitness levels. Public transit use also means fewer cars on the road, thus reduced travel times—and less stress and road rage accordingly—for everyone. TTI reports that Americans living in areas served by public transportation save themselves almost 800 million hours in travel time every year.

CONTACTS: NAPTA, www.publictransportation.org; APTA, www.apta.com; TTI, tti.tamu.edu.

*Dear EarthTalk: Is it true that children are sicker today than they were a generation ago and that pesticides have played a major role? Maria Jenkins, Clewiston, FL*

It's impossible to say with certainty that our modern reliance on pesticides is directly causing more of our children to get sick more often, but lots of new research points in that direction. An October 2012 report by Pesticide Action Network North America (PANNA) entitled "A Generation in Jeopardy" examines dozens of recent studies and concludes that the influx of pesticides in our society is taking a heavy toll on our kids' health and intelligence.

"Children today are sicker than they were a generation ago," reports the group. "From childhood cancers to autism, birth defects and asthma, a wide range of childhood diseases and disorders are on the rise." PANNA's assessment of the latest science "leaves little room for doubt: pesticides are one key driver of this sobering trend."

Pesticides are all around us today. We are exposed to them via the foods we eat and the air we breathe. As a result, we all carry trace amounts of them in our bloodstreams. Children's bodies, since they are still developing, are particularly susceptible to health problems from pesticide exposure. Kids

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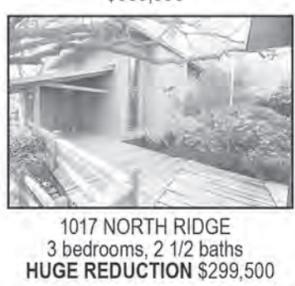
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routinely come in contact with pesticides inside their homes and schools and out in their backyards, schoolyards and parks. Even family pets, many of which wear pesticide-laden flea collars and powders, can be a source of pesticide exposure for children. According to PANNA, even extremely low levels of pesticide exposure can cause significant health problems, particularly during pregnancy and early childhood. New research links pesticide exposure to harm to the structure and functioning

of the brain and nervous system. "Pesticides may harm a developing child by blocking the absorption of important food nutrients necessary for normal healthy growth," reports the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). "Another way pesticides may cause harm is if a child's excretory system is not fully developed, the body may not fully remove pesticides." Exposure to pesticides during certain criti-

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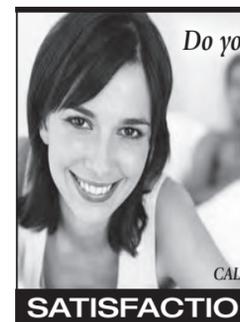


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cal developmental periods can permanently alter a growing child's biological systems. The result, warns PANNA, is an increase in birth defects and early puberty and noticeable increases in asthma, obesity, diabetes and some cancers.

What's appalling is that we have known about these dangers for decades yet have done little about it. "Nearly 20 years ago, scientists at the National Research Council called for swift action to protect young and growing bodies from pesticides," says PANNA. "Yet today, U.S. children continue to be exposed to pesticides that are known to be harmful in places they live, learn and play." For its part, the EPA does evaluate children's exposure to pesticide resi-

dues in common foods and evaluates new and existing pesticides to assess risks, creating guidelines and regulations accordingly. But many would like to see the EPA take a stronger stand against the widespread use of pesticides across the U.S.

There are several ways individuals can minimize pesticide exposures for themselves and their loved ones. Buy organic food whenever possible. Avoid chemical sprays and bug traps inside and out of the home. And steer clear of farms and other agricultural lands that regularly get sprayed with pesticides.

CONTACTS: PANNA, www.panna.org; EPA, www.epa.gov.



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