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Let the story be told

King James Version: The Gospel According to St. Luke, Chapter 2

1 And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

2 And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.

3 And all went to be taxed, everyone into his own city.

4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; because he was of the house and lineage of David;

5 To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

6 And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

7 And she brought forth her first born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

8 And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

9 And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which

is Christ the Lord.

12 And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

14 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

15 And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known to us.

16 And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

17 And when they had seen it, they made known abroad they saying which was told them concerning this child.

18 And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

19 But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

20 And the shepherds returned, glorifying and raising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

21 And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

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An Open Exchange of Ideas



A few words about Bitcoin...

The Markets

The equity markets, represented by the S&P 500 Stock Index (SPX) eked out a small gain for the week of 0.35 percent, and is up 2.68 percent for one month, 7.72 percent for three months and over 17 percent for one year to close at 2651.50. Don't get too used to those high returns. Ten years ago, the SPX was at 1,478 and while the over 1,000-point rise since then is big, that average annual rate of return works out to only 5.77 percent. If we look out to 15 years, the average annual compounded price return is 7.33 percent.

Unless you like the idea of a market plunge taking you into a loss that can last for a decade or more, a pure equity portfolio is not a good idea. So, let's assume a hypothetical portfolio composed of 60 percent SPX, 30 percent very low-cost intermediate-term U.S. Treasury bond fund, and 10 percent in cash and with no commissions (loads). Your portfolio's average annual rate of return for ten years would have been 4.57 percent. If we go back to 2002, 15 years ago, and start the clock on that portfolio, the average is 4.56 percent per year. That 15-year return is close to the very long-term index averages going back over a century. Was it possible to get a higher rate of return? Historically, the data suggests that the answer may be "yes," but there are trade-offs. First, one must accept that to obtain a higher historical rate of return, one must accept bigger market declines. It also takes some serious analysis and discipline. A bit of market economics education might help too, but high returns tend to be concentrated in short time-periods. Those time periods are very difficult to predict and being part

Market & Economic Update

By Jeffrey W. McClure

of them involves tolerating sometimes long periods of low or negative returns in order to be there when the good times come. We are in the good times right now, but history suggests we not depend on them continuing.

A word about Bitcoin. Here we see an investment frenzy (bubble). Bitcoin has effectively zero intrinsic value, although each "coin" is a unique item. The reason the price soars is simply that a lot of people and money are buying those unique numbers and few to no people are selling. As to its value as a currency, all reports indicate that it is not being used for that purpose. Rather it is a purely speculative item. We hate to make predictions but feel quite confident a crash is coming, and it may be even more impressive than the rise.

The Economy

The Labor Department reported payrolls rose 228,000

the third and fourth highest gaining areas. Each dollar expended in those areas by the prime agent, a factory or construction company, tends to cause other economic activity as suppliers need to spend money to replace the items used and the end user of their products tend to buy other things to go with the major purchase, so GDP tends to grow faster when there is more activity in things like construction and durable goods manufacturing. Employers in those areas require skilled labor and thus often are making a substantial investment when they hire someone. Again, generally speaking, hiring at this level in those two areas is not a reaction to a business demand as much as it is an investment in anticipation of greater demand. In short, capital-intensive, long-lead-

time companies were among the biggest hirers in this report and they only hire

Too anti-Trump to check

It's a wonder that President Donald Trump devotes so much time to discrediting the press, when the press does so much to discredit itself.

The media's errors in recent weeks weeks haven't been marginal or coincidental, but involved blockbuster reports on one of the most dominating stories of the past year, Robert Mueller's Russia investigation. They all slanted one way -- namely, toward lurid conclusions about the Trump campaign's alleged collusion with the Russians.

Every media outlet makes mistakes. It's easier than ever to run with fragmentary or dubious information in a frenzied news cycle that never stops. But underlying the media blunders was an assumption -- not based on any evidence we've yet seen -- of Trump guilt in the Russia matter. This was news, in other words, too anti-Trump to check.

On the day it broke that Michael Flynn had pled guilty to lying to the FBI, Brian Ross of ABC News had a seemingly epic scoop. He reported that Flynn would testify that Donald Trump directed him to make contacts with Russian officials prior to the election. This was the collusion equiv-



alent of a four-alarm fire. A New York Times columnist tweeted, "President Mike Pence, here we come." The stock market dropped several hundred points.

Then Ross "clarified" the story to say that Trump instructed Flynn to reach out to the Russians after the election. This wasn't a minor detail of chronology; it ripped the heart out of the story. Ross' blockbuster went from a suggestion of collusion to a suggestion of the normal course of business during a presidential transition. ABC suspended Ross for a month. CNN followed this up with its own botched report on how Don Trump Jr. allegedly got a heads-up email prior to the release of a batch of WikiLeaks emails during the campaign. The item rocketed around the internet -- accompanied by explosive imagery -- and was repeated by other major news organizations. The only problem is CNN flubbed the date. The email came after the release of the documents, not before. Once again, supposed evidence of collusion evaporated upon contact with

better-informed, follow-up reporting. CNN corrected its dispatch, and one of its correspondents called the episode "a black eye."

Needless to say, the errors in Russian reporting are a bonanza for President Trump. The worse the reporting is, the better for his campaign to brand the mainstream media "Fake News." He'd be happy if an outlet of the mainstream media tanked the markets with a flagrantly wrong dispatch every day.

It must be galling for journalists that every mistake they make is amplified into a national scandal by the president, while Trump is willfully careless about facts himself. It must be infuriating to be berated as "Fake News," when the White House tried to obfuscate the truth about a Don Jr. meeting with Russians during the campaign, uncovered by good, dogged reporting.

But none of this is going to change. The press can work even harder to exhibit fairness and accuracy under Trump's withering fire. Or it can play to type. The past week is more evidence that it prefers the latter option, to its own institutional detriment.

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May your new year be filled with peace joy and good

Yesterday, was January. Monday it is 25 December, Christmas. The year has rudely raced by or perhaps we were so busy that we lost the hours and days of 2017.

It has been a great year for Salado. One filled with drama, victory, progress, and new beginnings. As a Mr. Charley Green, Director of HR, Fort Hood, said Friday, "I have been following Salado all year. After what Salado went through, it is amazing that is recovering so fast."

As one business owner commented about the Stroll, "This stroll reminds me of



it was amazing to see so many young families in attendance. They filled the seats and lined the walls.

Next year will be an exciting year with new projects and events. Salado will be-

and community oriented. The Barton House will reopen as a restaurant.

This will be an interesting election year with County Commissioner, State Legislation Representative, Justice of the Peace, County Judge, Salado Mayor and two Aldermen are on the ballot. By mid-January yards will be filled with "vote for me signs."

And, that leads to this being the last article until after the election. The editor of the Salado Village Voice and I have an agreement that no Mayor articles will be written until after the election.

In advance, Gayle and I

in November. That same report added 3,000 more new jobs filled in September and October. The unemployment rate remained at 4.1 percent, the lowest percentage of the labor force looking for work since December of 2000. Unlike that time 17 years ago, wage increases are only slightly above the inflation rate, at 2.5 percent from this time last year.

November's increase in jobs marks 86 consecutive months in which employers have hired more workers than they laid off.

Notable in the employment report was the fact that durable goods manufacturing and construction were when they have contracts on the books that will keep the new workers busy for many months to come. That bodes well for our economy well into 2018.

In a different, but equally positive area, according to the Federal Reserve's Flow of Funds report, the total net worth of U.S. households broke another quarterly record in the third quarter, climbing to \$96.939 trillion. In the third guarter alone household net worth rose \$1.742 trillion. Stock market gains contributed \$1.1 trillion and real estate added \$411 billion. Household savings account balances grew by \$83.5 billion.



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There is only one reason, YOU. The spirit of Salado has been awakened by families that have lived here many years; to families that have settled here for 3-10

come an AGRO Neighborhood as a Community garden is planned. A weekend event featuring antiques is being discussed. Pace Park will become more family

wish you a happy Hannukah, a very merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year filled with peace, joy, and good health.

Facilities survey closes Dec. 22

Corner

by Dr. Michae

Our facilities survey clos-Superintendent's es this Friday, December 22. If you have not already completed the survey, please go to our facilities committee website at www.sisdfacilitiescommittee.org and click on the "Take the Salado ISD Facilities Survey" link in the middle of the page. All registered voters in our school district are encouraged to take the survey so the feedback best represents our community.

A long range facilities plan is very important for the future of our school district. During the past five years our enrollment has increased from 1,348 students to 1,854 students. Out of all 81 school districts in the Waco area (from Salado up to Hillsboro), Salado ISD has the highest percentage increase in enrollment over the past five years. Here are the five fastest growing districts: #1 Salado = 38 percent increase #2 Academy = 33 percent increase #3 Belton = 17 percent increase #4 Midway = 10 percent increase #5 Killeen = 6 percent increase Thank you to all of the parents, school district employees, and community members serving on this

Novotny committee for their time throughout this process: Stacey Alcozer Gail Allard Bobbie Ann Adair White Beth Aycock Courtnie Bagley Paul Baird Allison Bragg Travis Burleson Lyndal Cabaniss Marisol Cadenas Frank Coachman Curtis Crenwelge George Dentry Marcus Edwards Jon Franz Bruce Gordon Lacey Gunter Cassie Harvey Troy Heath Savannah Hennig Lourdes Hilfman Ryan Hodge Niki Howton Susan Humiston Andy Jackson Kristi Jarvis Joe Keyes Theresa Kunz Kristi Maedgen Sara Matthews Amy Mclane Cindy Mewhinney Eldon Miller Harry Miller

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Bobby Whitson The administrative advisory board members (which are non-voting members of the committee) are: Dan Agee, Director of Transportation and Grounds Kim Bird, School Board President Earl Bragg, Director of Technology Michael Novotny, Superintendent Nate Self, School Board Member Burt Smith, Assistant Superintendent Troy Smith, School Board Member We have meetings scheduled for Monday, Jan. 8, and Monday, Jan. 22. Both meetings will be held at 6:00 p.m. at the Salado ISD Administration Building/Civic Center. Meetings open to the

public



An Open Exchange of Ideas

On sheep and shears

To the Editor:

Several years ago I was fussing at a representative of a multinational drug manufacturer about drug companies "robbing" U.S. patients. His smug reply was, "If the Lord had not wanted them sheared, He would not have made them sheep." Today that philosophy has permeated most elements in our country, including, but not limited to other corporations, banking, education, government, religion, charities and pseudo-sciences. From the end of World War Two until the most recent decades, U.S. citizens' economic prospects were on an upswing: Each generation could expect to advance at least one socio-economic level above its parents. This is no longer the case. Lately, assets of the U.S. and its citizenry are looked upon as a crop to be harvested. For instance:

...The Bush-41 administration engineered an illegitimate takeover of savings and loans companies leading to losses of homes and small businesses while subsidizing the growth of huge banks like Bank of America.

...Then, the Bush-43 administration, not to be outdone, lied the U.S. into a never ending war that continues to drain the economy by the military industrial complex and fraud. Then he conspired with the afore**Your Voice**

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mentioned multinational drug manufacturing cartel and big mail order PBMs to suck funds from Medicare. Of course, the enabling congressmen and his bureaucrats were amply rewarded for engineering that "deal". Even more damaging was the crippling of the world's economies due to actions of his SEC, investment banks, Wall Street, and his Federal Reserve. Adding insult to injury, he protected, promoted and rewarded those precipitating that massive rip-off.

...And now, we have Trump, along with Ryan, "Mitch" and their congressional allies, who under the guise of tax reform, have sharpened their shears and are well on the way to delivering corporations and the ultra wealthy a new, bigger batch of fleece. Meanwhile Trump has the Pentagon and its benefactors licking their chops over the prospects of expanding warfare in the Middle East and into Southeast Asia. Perhaps of even more concern is his dismantling of consumer and environmental protections, which, as with all of the above, are in defiance of warnings from qualified experts.

Where are those most

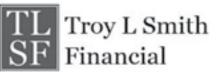


affected by these actions? Park outside a convenience store on a Friday evening and count how many customers walk out with a twelve pack of beer under one arm and snacks under the other game time! I routinely ask potential voters, including those folks, clerks, bank employees - even stockbrokers about political issues and if they can name their national and state office holders. I generally get a blank look until I ask if they know who Tony Romo is - their answer - "Youbetcha".

Eons ago, the Romans knew that diverting citizens' minds from important issues with entertainment was key to containing dissention. Our educational system has encouraged this by emphasizing extracurricular activities over basic education. Coaches' numbers and salaries are disproportionate to those of true educators', and stadiums and gyms often trump classrooms and teaching equipment. U.S. educational institutions at all levels have lost sight of their mission. (Sorry, Tim won't allow more space to elaborate about money grubbing pseudo-Christians and fake charities. At least their assessments are voluntary.)

There might be a bright light - that ringing in your ears may not be a medical issue - just folks grinding their shears. Cheer up, they won't skin you - that's too final. Tom Curb

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Free Veteran's Benefits seminar held Dec. 29

So many veterans feel confused about benefits and services they've earned. There's so much to know... and so many changes from one year to the next. That's why local members of the nonprofit DAV (Disabled American Veterans) will present a veterans Information seminar 11 a.m.- 3 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 29, at the New Road Church of Christ, 3100 South New Road, Waco, Texas. Like all DAV services, this seminar is free to all veterans and members of their families.

In conjunction with the seminar, between the hours of 1:30 p.m. until 4 p.m., our NSOs will be providing claims assistance, so don't let this opportunity pass you by. For further information regarding this event, contact NSO Jennifer L. Kellogg at (254) 299-9932.



Sellers awarded Master of Business Degree at Howard Payne University

Michael (Mikey) Sellers of Salado graduated from Howard Payne University on Dec. 8 with Master of Business Administration degree. Sellers is a 2012 graduate

of Salado High School. He is the son of Jeff and Kathy Myers of Salado.

Sellers is currently a teacher and football coach at Brownwood High School.



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Steven Lastovica

Steven Lastovica represents Texas Cattle Producers on Beef Checkoff Boards

Cattleman Steven Lastovica has been named to the Texas Beef Council (TBC) and the Beef Promotion Research Council of Texas (BPRCT) board of directors. This is his fourth term on the board where he serves as vice chairman and as an at-large member representing Texas beef producers.

As the vice chairman of the TBC board, Lastovica serves on the executive committee and as chairman of the domestic marketing committee.

Lastovica is the owner of Milano Livestock Exchange, a private livestock dealership licensed and bonded with USDA Packers and Stockyards, providing stocker and feeder cattle to feedlots, as well as replacement females through internet and private treaty sales. Lastovica and his family also own and operate Lastovica Cattle Company, a purebred, registered Angus operation, producing high quality seedstock genetics.

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Holiday services

Salado churches announce their Christmas and New Year's Schedules and invite you to join them in worship this Christmas season.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SALADO

First Baptist Church of Salado will have a Connect Worship services at 10:30 a.m. on Dec. 24.

Carols, Communion and a Candlelight Christmas Eve Service will begin at 6 p.m. Dec. 24.

New Year's Eve will have one Connect Worship service at 10:30 a.m. Dec. 31.

The church is located at 210 South Main St.

SALADO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

This year, Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday. Salado UMC will have one combined morning worship service, and two evening services as follows on Dec. 24:

One combined worship service with communion at 10 a.m. in the Worship Center.

Family service with communion at 4 p.m. in the Worship Center.

Candlelight communion at 6 p.m. in the Worship Center.

Salado UMC's Historic Chapel will be open for prayer and reflection 10 a.m.-7 p.m. on Dec. 24.

SALADO CHURCH OF CHRIST

Salado Church of Christ, located at 217 Stagecoach Rd, will have its regular worship service at 10 a.m. on Dec. 24 and Dec. 31.

STEPHEN St. CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. Stephen Catholic Church, 601 FM 2268, will



St. Joseph's Episcopal CHURCH

St. Joseph's Episcopal Church at 881 N. Main St. will have the following Christmas Eve services on Dec. 24:

10 a.m.: Fourth Sunday of Advent Service.

4:40 p.m.: Hymns and Carols.

5:00 p.m.: Christmas Eve Service.

8:40 p.m.: Hymns and Carols.

9 p.m.: Christmas Eve Service with incense

GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH

Grace Baptist Church at 5798 FM 2484 will have the following services: Dec. 24: Worship at 10:30

a.m. Dec. 31: Worship at 10:30

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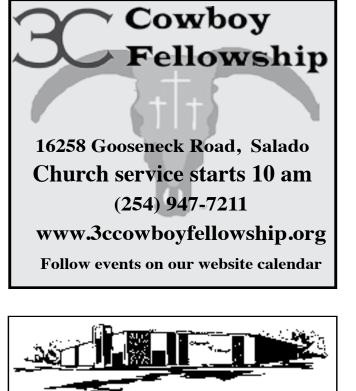


On April 24, 1940, a daughter was born to Richard W. and Lillian Despontin Hilton in Charleston, West Virginia. Her given name was Charlene Mae. Charlene attended Charleston High School and West Virginia University where she received her Bachelors Degree in 1962. After college she taught grade school for a few years. In 1976, she married Joe R. Jarnagan, Jr. in Odessa, Texas.

Charlene and Joe started Petroplex Office Supply, Inc. in 1978 and operated the business until they sold it in 2000. The couple moved to Salado, Texas in 2006.

Charlene died of complications from heart surgery on November 24, 2017 in Plano, Texas. She was 77. In addition to her husband, Charlene is survived by her son Richard D. Yoakam, his wife Lori and their daughter Ellie. Other immediate family includes Joe's two sons Jerry P. and Tommy J., their wives Cheryl and Lana and children Nicholas, Christopher, Jenna and Mikaela. Charlene enjoyed playing golf, she had four holes-in-one. She also enjoyed seeing the country in their RV.

A celebration of life will be held on January 13, 2018 at the couple's residence, 1601 Old Mill Road from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. **PAID OBITUARY**



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Dec. 23 Mass at 5:30 p.m. Dec. 24 (Christmas Eve) Services

9 a.m. Mass; 11 a.m. Spanish Mass; 7 p.m. Vigil Mass bilingual.

Dec. 25 (Christmas Day): 9 a.m. Mass; 11 a.m. Spanish Mass.

Dec. 30: 5:30 p.m. Mass Dec. 31 (New Year's Eve): 9 a.m. Mass; 11 a.m. Spanish Mass; 7 p.m. Vigil Bilingual. Jan. 1 (New Year's Day): 9 a.m. Mass; 11 a.m. Mass.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF SALADO

Presbyterian Church of Salado will have Christmas Candlelight services at 6 p.m. Dec. 24.

During the Christmas Candlelight Service, the choir will perform the Christmas Cantata "King Forever.'

Christmas Eve morning, church services will be at 10 a.m. with Adult Sunday School at 9 a.m.

The church is located at 100 Salado Plaza Dr., just off of N. Main St.

Cedar Valley Baptist Church at 2237 FM 2843 will have the following services.

Fourth Friday is canceled. New Year's Watch Night gospel singing will begin at 7 p.m. Dec. 31 and continue through midnight with a potluck dinner after bringing in the New Year.

Sunday church service will be at 11 a.m. on Dec. 24 and Dec. 31.

3C COWBOY FELLOWSHIP

3C Cowboy Fellowship at Gooseneck Rd. will have its regular Sunday service at 10 a.m. Dec. 24 and on Dec. 31. In addition, the church will have a 5 p.m. Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service.

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Heritage Country Church at 9929 Lark Trail will have a special Candlelight Service at 6 p.m. Dec. 23.

The Church will hold regular service at 10 a.m. on Dec. 24 and Dec. 31.

Heritage Country Church will have a potluck lunch 11:15 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Dec. 31 immediately following the 10 a.m. service. Bring your favorite side dish to share with everyone.

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L-R George Dentry, Ryan Novotny, Thomas Novotny, Dr. Michael Novotny announce winners of 12 Davs of Gifts fundraiser

Lions Club Fundraiser promotes "The Gift of Sight"

The first annual "Twelve Gifts of Christmas" drawings were held on the last day of the Christmas Stroll, Dec. 9. Above, on the porch of Prellop Art Gallery, George Dentry looks on as Dr. Michael Novotny, aided by his two sons, announced the winners.

Jacqueline Canady of Temple was the first name drawn, and won the "Lost Horizon" framed print by local artist, Larry Prellop, valued at \$495. Jack Lanman of Salado won the huge tub of Jams, Jellies, Coffees, etc from the Strawberry Patch, priced at \$350. Salado's Larry Nathanson was the lucky winner of Gail Allard's original hand blown glass bowl valued at \$450. William Morvant, also of Salado added a smoky quartz necklace \$250 gift basket of Christmas with earrings to his list of Christmas gifts, a \$350 donation by Salado Creek Jewelry.

Sam and Lilian Halabi won a signature portrait by Tim Flanagan of Solas Gallery, valued at \$345. Barry Harper, another Salado winner, is now the excited new owner of a stylish E-Bike from Lonestar E-Bikes: \$1,295. A One Year Pest Control Application from Ace Pest control (\$335) was won by Thomas Bailey. Bill Bartlet can celebrate the holidays with a beautiful new Christmas Wreath and Candle Box from Magnolias: \$350.

In total, Salado residents won 10 of the "Twelve Gifts of Christmas," including a

Ornaments donated by First Community Title. Winner: Mardie Barnard. A versatile indoor/outdoor Garden Chateau Fountain, valued at \$400 and donated by 21 Main, is now owned by winner, Tammy Hardt. Larry Sands was the recipient of a handsome leather accented Duffle Bag and Shave kit, a \$395 gift of Classics on Main. Charlie and Dixie Campbell of Dallas, Texas will soon be the guest of Inn on the Creek and Alexander's, a \$300 package.

The village of Salado came together once again in a great cause. In supporting the Lions Club goal of providing "The Gift of Sight" to the visually impaired, everyone became a winner.

Holiday schedule announced for **Belton Senior Activity Center**

The upcoming events for the Belton Senior Activity Center will be a Country Western Dance (Christmas Dance) Thursday, Dec. 21, from 6:30-9:30 p.m. with Good Ol' Boys band per-

forming.

Patrons are asked to bring their favorite Christmas snack to share, as well as a \$5 donation.

The Center will be closed on Friday, Dec. 22 and Mon-

day, Dec. 25; and on Friday, Dec. 29 and Monday, Jan. 1 for Christmas and New Year's holidays.

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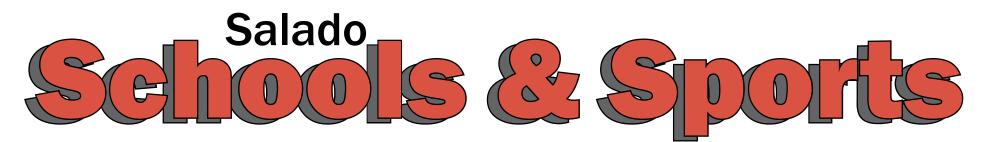




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(PHOTO BY RON LEGUIN) Cade DePoy was named the District 9-4A Co-MVP.

Eagles dominate All-District squad

Several Salado Eagles were named to the District 9-4A All District football team, including the Co-MVP Cade DePoy, the Defensive MVP Jacob Wilk, Defensive Newcomer Rustin Hale and Coach of the Year Alan Haire.

Running back Cade De-Poy was named the Co-MVP this year along with Mexia's JaQuay Martin. DePoy carried the ball 150 times for 1,601 yards and 11 touchdowns. He also had three touchdowns on nine catches for 262 yards.

Jacob Wilk earned Defensive MVP honors, leading a





Jacob Wilk Defensive MVP

team that allowed just 12.8 points per game in the regular season. In the playoffs, the Eagles allowed just 13 points per game. Wilk had 87 tackles for Salado, including 15 tackles for loss and three quarterback sacks. He also had 12 interceptions. Rustin Hale was named

the Defensive Newcomer of the Year. He had 97 tackles. 10 tackles for loss, six sacks and a fumble recovery.

Named to the First Team Offense were quarterback Hayden Haire, running back Aaron Torczynski, fullback Trey Sheppard, kick returner Cutter Hudgens and tight end Ashten Sniggs, tackles Bryce Wales and Robert Soto, guard Bobby Cunningham and center Willy Whigham.

Haire threw for 784 yards and 10 touchdowns on 81 attempts and 41 completions in his senior year.

Torczynski carried the ball 170 times for 1,260 yards and 11 touchdowns. He also caught 20 passes for 304 yards and four touchdowns.

Sheppard had 1,718 yards on 234 carries, scoring 31 touchdowns. He also caught five passes for 116 yards and a touchdown.

First Team Defense players were inside linebacker Mac Miller, 98 tackles, 12 TFLs, four fumble recover-



Rustin Hale Newcomer of Year: Defense

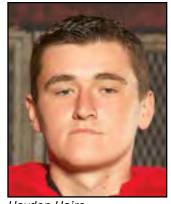


Aaron Torczynski First Team Offense



Cutter Hudgens First Team Off./Def.

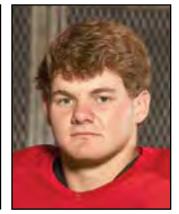




Hayden Haire First Team Offense



Trey Sheppard First Team Offense



Ashten Sniggs First Team Defense



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ies and two caused fumbles: Cornerback Quade Brown, 43 tackles, two interceptions, five passes broken up and two caused fumbles; Safety Cutter Hudgens, 52 tackles, three TFLs, four passes broken up, four interceptions and a defensive touchdown.

Named to the Second Team Offense were tight ends Ryan Kyburz and Wade Woods and kicker Jake Walrath.

Named to the Second Team Defense were Defensive End Zach Adams, 102 tackles, 22 TFL, seven sacks, five caused fumbles and four fumble recoveries and defensive tackle Andrew Sniggs, 67 tackles, eight TFL and three QB Sacks.

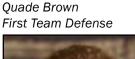
Receiving Honorable Mention were these players: Connor Cook, Offensive



First Team Defense



Willy Whigham First Team Offense





Bryce Wales First Team Offense



Bobby Cunningham First Team Offense

Guard; Inside Linebacker Wyatt Bagley, 90 tackles, five TFL, 2 caused fumbles, interception and touchdown; Defensive End Tommie Barker, 45 tackles and five TFL; Defensive Tackle Zavier Bagio, 36 tackles, seven TFL and Cornerback Kaden Smien, 24 tackles, fumble recovery.

Several Eagles were also named to the Academic All-State team. Named to the First Team were Luke Miller, Trey Sheppard and Kaden Smien. Named to the Second Team were Wyatt Bagley, Quade Brown, Ryan Kyburz,



Robert Soto First Team Offense



Alan Haire Coach of the Year

Mac Miller, Aaron Torczynski and Wade Woods. The following received Honorable Mention: Cade DePoy, Jake Walrath and Willy Whigham.



Augmenting reality to help learners

Saladoan Jake McClure is part of a team that has designed Project Safe-AR-I (pronounced safari), which uses augmented reality technology to give more kids access to experiential learning.

Project Safe-AR-I was the winning idea of the recent Headstarter Network's 2017 Tech and Early Education Incubator that brought together an array of experts in technology, design, academia, and early childhood education to explore new ideas with practical implications.

The Headstarter Network is mainly funded from the Head Start program, and is used to innovate new ways of learning for kids aged 3 to 6.

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"They hold a hackathon or incubator once a year to bring people from Silicone Valley and DC and everything in the middle together to intensively think on what the classroom might need in the near future," McClure told Salado Village Voice. "My team was very inter-disciplined. We had robotics experts, Silicone Valley technologists, a professor of psychology, several Head Start Alums who had been in the earliest classes provided by the program and then worked in Head Start for their entire careers, and me as an economist. We all felt surprised to be included with all other experts."

The Incubator was set up



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Jacob McClure (center with hat) is part of a team that designed Project Safe-AR-I.

like a hackathon challenge. Each team was assigned some "pain points" from the classroom and then given a technology to use to fix or improve the situation.

McClure's team was assigned Augmented Reality (AR) as its challenge during the Incubator weekend.

"Some of the future implications are fun to think about: glasses that show arrows to point to your next turn rather than looking at Google Maps, once buildings are mapped properly an electrician will be able to look through a phone or glasses to see where the electric lines are in a wall without opening it up," McClure said.

"The project will get the community involved by getting donations of old and used smart phones," McClure said. "Between 2007 and the end of 2016 Apple sold 570

Million iPhones in the US. Only about 12.5 percent of those were recycled. Most of us have them tucked in drawers and boxes gathering dust."

"The idea is to get them wiped clean of dust and personal information and install one AR app for the classroom," he added. "There were other awesome technologies used as well, and I hope and have worked toward getting some of them implemented as well."

The idea is using QR codes that can be recognized by the app through the phone's camera as the location for animations and 3D models," he explained. "The programming is fairly simple after that."

"Imagine a deck of cards, with each card being a QR code," he said. "If one of the codes is for a baby elephant, and when that card is on the table in front of you and looking through the AR app you see a baby elephant in the middle of the table. Interaction can occur when another card with a code is put on the table near it: a mother elephant, a bucket of peanuts, the letter E, the word or sign language for elephant ... "

"The technology allows for the ability to have very



simple animations all the way to an augmented window into the plains of Africa," he said. "The empathy side of the education comes from an idea we presented based on recognizing the emotions in the augmented baby elephant. If it was sad, adding its mother helped it. The mother being a QR code of course."

The Safe-FAR-I team proposed incorporating AR technology into lessons that teach math, literacy, and empathy skills that were engaging for children while also being developmentally appropriate.

McClure said that the Safe-AR-I team has been invited to join The Early Childhood Innovation Prize initiative put out by Gary Community Investments and Open Ideo.

"Funding for our project is getting lined up already," he said. "There are likely going to be two pilot programs in Head Start classrooms at the beginning, one in Indiana, and one in Illinois."

Safe-AR-I could ultimately be implemented for more than 1 million Head Start children nationwide.

"We created a timeline to get the project into all the Head Start classrooms in three years," McClure said, "but those time-lines get stretchy when working with the government."

"As a child from Head Start, my whole life and career has been given to the Head Start program. Anything that I can do to expand their ability to have access, I feel like that's my role," said Karen Carradine, a Safe-AR-I team member, in an interview on the website headstarternetwork.org.

Ehren Wolfe was the team leader. "I think what gave us our success is that we were all engaged in our disciplines," Wolfe told headstarternetwork.org. "We're a very interdisciplinary team, so we were all able to bring the strengths from our different fields to the table and help make a difference.'

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"I just wish everybody had won because all of the ideas have the potential to build kids into even more amazing people," said McClure of the Incubator gathering.

According to the Head Starter website, other ideas stemming from the Head Start Incubator include a platform prototype to change the distribution of early childhood data; using artificial intelligence and wearable technology to help alleviate toxic stress and creating an elevated classroom that uses open source technology to reduce redundant tasks.

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The Salado High School boys and girls soccer programs teamed up with Jessica Halfmann, the Salado ISD Communities in Schools director, to collect warm coats and shoes for kids in Salado. The teams collected two big boxes that will be distributed to those in need this winter. Shown above are the boys: (top row, from left) Jack Spradlin, David Chavez, Javier Chavez, Armando Castillo, Brian Chavez, Marcus Becker-klett, Owen Merriman, Caleb Chambliss , Chris Ortiz , Trey Sheppard, Costas Loullis, Nico Lemus, Matthew Maldonado and Feerman Vitolas; (bottom row, from left) Manuel Magadan, Manuel Tonchez, Brandon Rodriguez and Kaden Smien. Shown below are the girls: (top row, from left) Reagan Morreale, Ashley Voelter, Sam Vargas, Madisyn Maddux, Lydia Smith, Hannah Reavis, Madison Spradlin, Grace Graham, Rylie Stewart and Ashlen LaCanne; (kneeling, from left) Avery Wright, Presley Maddux, Lauren Wilson, Aubrey Heffner, Tyler Pierce and Danielle McDaniel. (COURTESY PHOTOS)



Local Masons buy Christmas bikes for kids

Salado Family Relief Fund distributed Christmas gifts to approximately 50 families and almost 150 children around the Salado community last week. In support of that, Salado Masonic Lodge #296 members purchased bikes and helmets for children ranging in age from five to 13. At right, delivering the bikes to Salado Family Relief Fund President Renee Oas were William Arnett, Carl Menyhert, Brian Arnett and Tim Fleischer. You can contribute to the Salado Family Relief Fund, P.O. Box 461, Salado, TX 76571.



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Lady Eagles start 2-0 in district

Salado Lady Eagles took an overtime win over Lampasas Dec. 15 to improve to 2-0 in district play.

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Lady Eagles	57
Lampasas	50

Lampasas pulled ahead of Salado 14-11 in the first and Salado outscored Lampasas 16-7 to give the Lady Eagles a 27-21 halftime lead. Salado added 12 points in the third to hold a 39-31 lead going in the fourth. Lampasas scored 15 points in the fourth to take the Eagles into overtime 46-46. Salado made 11 overtime points to win the game 57-50.

Three Lady Eagles reached double digits in scoring against Lampasas. Kaia Philen Salado with 16 points. Followed by Amanda Cantu, 13 points; Kayla Manning, 10 points. Also scoring for Salado were: Jasey Goings, 8 points; Ashlen LaCanne, 6 points; Kate Kyburz and Danielle McDaniel, 2 points each.

Salado Lady Eagles earned a district win over Llaon Dec. 12.

Lady Eagles	40
Llano	38
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Salado Lady Eagles came from behind to beat Llano.

Llano took a 7-4 first quarter lead over Salado and held the lead over Salado 18-9 going into the half. Salado added 11 points coming out of the half to make the score 20-28 in the third. The Lady Eagles swung the game in the fourth with 20 points to win the game 40-38.

Philen led the Lady Eagles in scoring with a total of 18 points. Also scoring for Salado were: Manning, 8 points; Cantu, 6 points; Goings, 5 points; LaCanne, 3 points.

Salado junior high girls played Lampasas Dec. 14 before the Christmas break.

JUNIOR HIGH RESULTS 7th A girls 31 Lampasas 39 Leading scorers: Harley Drouillard, 9 points Katey Bartek, 8 points 8th A girls 14 25 Lampasas Leading scorers: Kenslee Konarik, 6 points Eishen Young, 5 points 7th B girls 20 Lampasas 18 8th B girls 12 Lampasas 34

Eagles drop 2 non-district games

Salado Eagles were beaten in a non-conference game by Weatherford Dec. 16 Salado Eagles 53 Weatherford 63

Weatherford had a 20-13 first quarter lead over Salado and carried their lead 32-22 by the half. The Salado Eagles scored 14 points coming out of the half to make the score 36-50 going into the fourth. Salado added 17 points in the fourth quarter falling short 53-63.

Jake Pittman led Salado in scoring with 10 points.

Followed in scoring by Anthony Young with 9 points.

Also scoring for Salado were: Shane Roche and Jeremy Jarvis, 7 points each; Sammy Brown, 5 points; Ryan Kyburz, Eli Pittman, Caleb Self, Quade Brown, Kade Maedgen and W.p. Roche, 2 points each; Cade Scallin, 1 point.

Salado Eagle	s lost	a game
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to Academy Dec		
Salado Eagles	56	
Academy	73	
The Eagles	fell	behind

10-15 in the first and entered the half trailing 25-30. Salado scored 13 points in the third to make the score 39-47 heading into the fourth. The Eagles were outscored 17-26 in the fourth for a 56-73 loss.

Sammy Brown led the Eagles in scoring with 12 points.

Also scoring for Salado were: Jarvis and Young, 8 points each; Scallin, 7 points; S. Roche and J. Pittman, 5 points each; W.p. Roche, 4 points; Kyburz, Self and Maedgen, 2 points each; Peyton Miller, 1 point.



Letters to Santa Claus

Every year, Salado Village Voice prints Letters to Santa Claus, written by Third Graders. We continue with Mrs. Ramsey and Mrs. Jones classes and continue each week through Dec. 31 to print all seven classes of third graders.

We hope you enjoy and that your third graders Letter to Santa Claus finds its way into your scrapbooks!

Mrs. Oborski's Class

Dear Santa Claus,

Trying my Best being nice to others. I am helpful at school and at home. Thank you for that you do. I would really like a DS and a transformer and a Big mario cart. Merry Christmas!

Thank you, Ethan Dear Santa Claus,

Can I have an X-Box One, Call of Duty Black Ops 3, Titinfall, and Super Smash Brose for my 3dsxl. Also can I have a phone? Can you make it Snow. If I have no chimney, how do you get in? thank you for the toys last year. you are the Best Santa clause ever !!! I hope you come this year Santa. I love you!

Love, Brenden

Dear Santa Claus,

Thank you for all the presents last year. I really want my house to be built. I have an elf on the Shelf, named Lexi! I love her! Where is She, I can't find her anywhere? Is Rudolph being made fun of? How is Mrs. Claus is She excied for Christmas? I will leave Milk and chocolate chip cookies out for you! Merry Christmas!

your biggest fan, Kelli Dear Santa claus,

here are the things I want for Christmas. would you do me a favor and write God a letter because I want a visit from an Angel on Christmas Eve. I also want Albus Dumbledores wand, a camele wellie wisher doll, an opal necklace, and some angel wings would be nice. and I really love how you always wear red. I also want a doughnut with green frosting with red and white



From, Sam Dear Santa Claus,

Hey Santa it's me, Jenna, your biggest Aggie fan. Little quesiton, are any of your reinders a Texas A&M Aggie? Just saying. I'd like alot of Aggie stuff. Oh and tell my elf sparkles I love her! Also, is Sparkles an Aggie like me or is it my choice I would like her to be.

Your biggest Aggie, Jenna Dear Santa,

Thank you so much For all The presents. Last year. I Had so much fun playing. How is mrs claus? How is Rldolph? I have all awas wondered? If you got one vacaction? Thank you so much again.

Your biggest fan, AJ Dear Santa Claus,

This year I would like ... if your not busy, a tablet, mini American Girl horse set, a barbie mall. Oh! I almost forgot an Alexa to go with the table or a case. Hey how's Dasher, Dancer and Prancer all the other reindeer? And why do you drink milk instead of Dr. Pepper? and cookies instead of cake? And you live in the cold why don't you live in well... Texas? How many years have you been delivering presents? Merry Christmas! When were you born?

I believe, Sincerely, Addy Dear Santa Claus,

Hey Santa Claus it's me Grant. I love the Longhorns, because they are the best team! That's because I am one of the biggest fans. Merry Christmas!

Your Longhorn fan, Grant Dear Santa Claus,

Thank you! Thank you! or all the presents you Dear Santa Claus,

Hello how are you? Is Mrs. Claus doing well? I hope so! Last year all the presents were wonderful. I love your presents there so cool and fun and we played water balloon fights with my brother. Please make it snow! Please I love the snow.

Your biggest fan, Jae Dear Santa Claus,

What do you do in your spare time? How do you get in my house because my house doesn't have a chimney? Do you and Mrs. Claus ever go somewhere hot like Florida? Has a kid ever caught you delivering presents? Can you make it snow like hwen I was 3? I want the same miracle!

I love you Santa, Peyton Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Mialy. How is Rudolph? Can you tell me how my elf on the Shelf is? Last year he got into our four and made a four angel. He is super funny! Are the other riendeer playing with Rudolph? Is Rudolph one of the reindeer on your sleigh? How is Mrs. Claus? For Christmas I want a book that's Molly's story.

You biggest fan, Mialy Dear Santa Claus.

Thank you so mcuh Santa for all the presants last year! Some of my family members are being naughty! What I want for Christmas is nerf guns, legos, video games, and \$25 gift card. Is Rudolph shining his nose bright. Oh I forgot to ask you this... can I have some snow too. Thank you so much again.

Your biggest fan, Jaxon Dear Santa Claus,

All I want for christmas an Nintendo Switch, Spla-

Four straight Kimzey wins NFR bullriding

LAS VEGAS - For the second year in a row, bull rider Sage Kimzey did what no one has done before. He actually did two things nobody has done before.

At the age of 23, Kimzey won his fourth consecutive world title in his fourth attempt, the first bull rider to ever do that. He won the fourth one in style, riding 4L & Diamond S Rodeo's Girl Money to the tune of 88 points to win Round 10 and take home the gold buckle at the Thomas & Mack Center on Saturday in front of 16,954.

His fourth title has him halfway to tying Don Gay's record of eight bull riding world titles.

"Each one of them is a step on the way up the mountain, and each is special because the road is so different each year," Kimzey said. "The trials and tribulations are different, and this being the fourth one, I'm halfway up the mountain that Donnie Gay set. I usually have a healthy lead, but this year I was hurt and banged up and sore, but I got the ball rolling in the spring."

In addition to the world title, Kimzey also won the average title with 601.5 points

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Nov. 16	Cameron Tournament	Away	TBA	TBA	
Nov. 17	Gatesville	Away		5:00 PM	26-60 L
Nov. 20	La Vernia	Home		1:00 PM	57-61 L
Nov. 21	Academy	Home		1:00 PM	38-74 L
Nov. 28	Holland	Away		5:15 PM	65-59 W
Nov. 30	Coach Smith Tournament Salado	Home			2 W, 3 L
Nov. 30	Gatesville Tournament	Away	TBA	TBA	
Dec. 5	Crawford	Away			6:15 PM
Dec. 7	Jarrell Tournament	Away		TBA	TBA
Dec.12	Llano*	Away	5:00 PM	5:00 PM	40-38 W
Dec. 15	Lampasas*	Home	5:00 PM	5:00 PM	57-50 W
Dec. 19	Leander Glenn*	Away	5:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:15 PM
Dec. 27	Thorndale Tournament	Away			TBA
Jan. 2	Burnet*	Home	7:30 PM	5:00 PM	6:15 PM
Jan. 5	Liberty Hill*	Away	7:30 PM	5:00 PM	6:15 PM
Jan. 9	Taylor*	Home	7:30 PM	5:00 PM	6:15 PM
Jan. 16	Llano*	Home	6:15 PM	5:00 PM	7:30 PM
Jan. 19	Lampasas*	Away	6:15 PM	5:00 PM	7:30 PM
Jan. 23	Leander Glenn*	Home	6:15 PM	5:00 PM	7:30 PM
Jan. 26	Burnet*	Away	6:15 PM	5:00 PM	7:30 PM
Jan. 30	Liberty Hill*	Home	6:15 PM	5:00 PM	7:30 PM
Feb. 2	Taylor*	Away	6:15 PM	5:00 PM	7:30 PM
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Salado Eagles Basketball

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(PHOTO BY GREG WESTFALL, COURTESY PRCA)

Sage Kimzey has won his fourth consecutive bullriding world title at the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas.

on seven head. Girl Money was the first bull Kimzey had ridden to the whistle since Round 7. It was his second outright round win of the Finals - he also shared the Round 3 victory - and he placed in two other rounds.

Kimzey became the only bull rider to break the \$400,000 mark in a single season. The champion won \$192,134 at the Finals to give

money won in bull riding in a year at \$436,479, smashing the record he set of \$327,178 in 2015. He's not done winning yet.

him a PRCA-record for most

"I don't see any reason not to win nine or 10 in a row," Kimzey said. "I've got the talent and drive and ability, and the Lord has blessed me in ways I can't imagine." STORY COURTESY OF PRCA

sprinkles.

yours truly, Rosemary Dear Santa Claus,

Thank you so much for all of the presents last year, I had so much funw ith them. How is Mrs. Claus doing is she excited Christmas is almost here. How is Rudolph doing, are the other reindeer playing with him? I love you Santa, and I love you Mrs. Claus. Thank you making all of us happy. I love you.

Your biggest fan, Paisley Dear Santa Claus,

Thank you for Everything you give me. Do you Really get tired of milk and cookies every chrismas. for chirsmas can I have a OSet, ATM shirts, sweaters. I want an ATM blankets and lots of books, chapter books. How is rudolph doing are the other reindeer being nice to him.

gave me like the Lego's! I am your biggest fan. I really hope Mrs. Claus is good and healthy. Does Rudolph's nose glow! I also wish you have a good Christmas One of the things I want is: a Nintendo Switch with Mario Oddesy. I really wish you have a Merry Christmas.

Your biggest fan, Diego Dear Santa Claus,

Thank you for all of the gift. last year, I had so much fun playing with thim. I want a lot of American Girl doll accessories like ... in my magazine. Please, Please get me a lot. Do you go on vacation. I just wondered? I believe in you and your elfs. Biggest fan! Is Rudolph being good is he having fun.

Your Biggest fan, Love, Hannah

toon 2, and Marvel legos. I want to thank you for everything you do and you need a break! How is Rudolph doing is he doing great? Santa what are you doing? How is it there at the North Pole and a maerry Christmas!

Your biggest fan, Eduardo Dear Santa Claus,

Dec. 28-2 Thank you for all the Jan. 2 presents last year. Are you Jan. 5 doing okay? This year I want Jan. 9 everything from Tenneys col-Jan. 12 lection (American Girl). How Jan. 16 Jan. 19 is Mrs. Claus and Rudolph Jan. 23 doing? Is anyone playing with Jan. 26 Rudolph? I believe in you and Jan. 30 your elves. I hope one day Feb. 2 you can get a vacation. You Feb. 6 Feb. 9 are the best. I hopeyou can Feb. 13 get to my house this year!

Your biggest fan, JuliAnn

Date	OPPONENT	SITE	JV WHITE	JV Red	VARSITY
Nov. 7	Hutto Scrimmage	Away			TBA
Nov. 14	Cameron Scrimmage	Away	TBA	TBA	TBA
Nov. 18	Gatesville	Away		10 a.m.	74-68 W
Nov. 20	Rosebud-Lott	Away	5 p.m.	6:15 p.m.	43-35 W
Nov. 21	Snook	Home	5 p.m.	6:15 p.m.	59-60 L
Nov. 28	Rogers (Jr. High Night)	Home	5 p.m.	6:15 p.m.	66-33 W
Nov. 30- Dec. 2	Coach Smith Tournament	Home			3 W, 2 L
Dec. 2	Jarrell JV Tournament	Away	TBA	TBA	
Dec. 7-9	Jarrell Tournament	Away	TBA	TBA	TBA
Dec. 12	Academy	Away	5 p.m.	6:15 p.m.	56-73 L
Dec. 16	Weatherford	AT&T			53-63 L
Dec. 19	*Leander Glenn	Away	6:15 p.m.	5 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 28-29	Calallen Tournament	Away			TBA
Jan. 2	*Burnet	Home	6:15 p.m.	5 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 5	*Liberty Hill	Away	6:15 p.m.	5 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 9	*Taylor	Home	6:15 p.m.	5 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 12	Pflugerville Weiss	Home		5 p.m.	6:15 p.m.
Jan. 16	*Llano	Home	7:30 p.m.	5 p.m.	6:15 p.m.
Jan. 19	*Lampasas	Away	7:30 p.m.	5 p.m.	6:15 p.m.
Jan. 23	*Leander Glenn	Home	7:30 p.m.	5 p.m.	6:15 p.m.
Jan. 26	*Burnet	Away	7:30 p.m.	5 p.m.	6:15 p.m.
Jan. 30	*Liberty Hill	Home	7:30 p.m.	5 p.m.	6:15 p.m.
Feb. 2	*Taylor	Away	7:30 p.m.	5 p.m.	6:15 p.m.
Feb. 6	BYE				
Feb. 9	*Llano	Away	5 p.m.	5 p.m.	6:15 p.m.
Feb. 13	**Lampasas	Home	5 p.m.	5 p.m.	6:15 p.m.
	* District Game				









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The colorful Poinsettia brightens the holidays in Texas, but do you know the history of the plant? (ADOBE STOCK PHOTO)

Poinsettias: Texas' Mark on the Festive Flower

By U.S. SEN. JOHN CORNYN R-TEXAS

'Tis the season of anticipation, and all around us are signs of the upcoming celebration. In church courtyards, three wise men eagerly look upon still-empty

border of the U.S. sat at the Red River, north of modernday Texas. President Adams dreamed of the United States extending all the way south to the Rio Grande River, and he was willing to pay one million dollars for that prize.

At that time, the southern sunny days. These plants still grow best in the Taxco region of Mexico, where Joel Roberts Poinsett found them almost two centuries ago, and where they're still known as Flores de Nochebuena (Christmas Eve flowers). Texas' own native poin-



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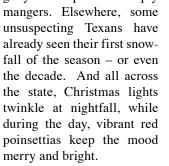
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In 1825, President John Quincy Adams appointed the first U.S. Minister to Mexico: Joel Roberts Poinsett. Poinsett travelled south to Mexico with the task of renegotiating the U.S.-Mexico border and bringing Texas into the U.S. once and for all.



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Of course, Mexico saw great value in Texas and did not budge.

Unfortunately for him, Poinsett never succeeded in his mission of purchasing Texas. However, during his failed attempt in moving the U.S.-Mexico border, the amateur botanist discovered a plant near Taxco de Alarcón so beautiful that he cut its stems and had them sent back home to the United States.

He mailed the vibrant red blooms to friends, fellow botanists, and botanical gardens across the country, and by 1836 – the very same year Texas won its independence from Mexico - the flowers had become widely known across the country not by their scientific name (Euphorbia pulcherrima), but by the name of the diplomat who brought them here: poinsettias.

Today, Texas is a top poinsettia producer, although cultivating the red Christmas poinsettias is no easy feat. To grow the brightest blossoms, poinsettias require at least five consecutive twelvehour nights and warm, bright

settia has a distinct splash of red-orange, and is therefore aptly called the "Painted" Poinsettia or the "Fire on the Mountain" Poinsettia.

During Christmastime in Texas, poinsettias of all kinds adorn town squares, gardens, and homes. In Big Spring, Texas, the annual 'Poinsettias in the Park' attraction features multiple enormous metal poinsettias wrapped in Christmas lights. The Concho Christmas Celebration is also known for its life-like poinsettia light exhibit. And the winter wonderland display at the Gaylord Texan hotel in Garland, Texas boasts more than 2,000 live poinsettias in all.

As you see these famed poinsettia displays and others in Texas this season, I hope you'll take a moment to remember their history. To all Texans who produce, decorate with, and admire the beauty of poinsettias, I wish you and your family a very merry Christmas.

Senator John Cornyn, a Republican from Texas, is a member of the Senate Finance, Intelligence, and Judiciary Committees.





106 North Main Street (next to Ambrosia Tea Room) (254) 855-5538 Private Showings

Village of Salado Calendar of Events

Salado Chamber of Commerce closed THRU JAN 5 Salado ISD winter break. Noon release on Dec. 20 DECEMBER 21 School's Out Movie matinee, 1 - 3 p.m. at

matinee, 1 - 3 p.m. at Salado Public Library. Elf, rated PG

DECEMBER 21

THRU DEC 25

Village of Salado Board of Aldermen Workshop Session, 6 p.m. at Municipal Building

DECEMBER 21 The Priest's Pint, 6:30 -

8 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

DECEMBER 22

Henco en Queso food truck, 4 - 10 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

DECEMBER 22

Royal Street Art Walk
DECEMBER 23

Korean Kravings food truck, noon - 10 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

DECEMBER 23

Candlelight Service, 6 p.m. at Heritage Country Church

DECEMBER 24

Christmas Eve Services, 9 a.m. Mass, 11 a.m. Spanish Mass, 7 p.m. Vigil Mass - bilingual at St. Stephen Catholic Church

DECEMBER 24

Christmas Eve Communion Services at Salado United Methodist Church, 10 a.m., 4 p.m. Family and 6 p.m. Candlelight. The SUMC Historic Chapel will be open from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. for prayer and reflection

DECEMBER 24

Connect Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. at First Baptist Church of Salado

DECEMBER 24 Christmas Eve Service, 10:30 a.m. at Grace Baptist Church

DECEMBER 24

Candlelight Service, 5 p.m. at 3C Cowboy Fellowship

December 24

Carols, Communion and a Candlelight Christmas Eve Service, 6 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Salado

December 25

Christmas Day Services, 9 a.m. Mass, 11 a.m. Spanish Mass at St. Stephen Catholic Church

December 28

Free Pelvic Health Screening, 2 - 5 p.m. at Integrity Rehab, 213 Mill Creek Dr., #195

December 31

Potluck Lunch following the 10 a.m. services at Heritage Country Church. Bring a side dish to share

DECEMBER 31 New Year's Eve Connect Worship service, 10:30 a.m. at First Baptist Church of Salado

December 31

New Years Service, 10:30 a.m. at Grace Baptist Church

DECEMBER 31

New Year's Eve Services, 9 a.m. Mass, 11 a.m. Spanish Mass, 7 p.m. Vigil Bilingual at St. Stephen Catholic Church

DECEMBER 31

New Years Eve Private Party, 6:30 p.m. - 1 a.m. at Barrow Brewing Co. Limited tickets at eventbrite. com

DECEMBER 31

New Year's Watch Night gospel singing, 7 p.m. midnight followed by a potluck dinner at Cedar Valley Baptist Church JANUARY 1

New Year's Day Services, 9 a.m. Mass, 11 a.m. Mass at St. Stephen Catholic Church

JAN 1 - FEB 23 Ballot by mail applications accepted for Bell County JANUARY 1 Salado Public Library will be closed

JANUARY 1 Salado Masonic Lodge Stated meeting, 7:30 p.m. at Salado Masonic Lodge.

Fudge

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Dinner at 6:30 p.m. JANUARY 3

Adult Crafts, 2 - 4 p.m. at Salado Public Library. Register at (254) 947-9191 JANUARY 4

Salado Writers organizational meeting, 7 p.m. at Salado Public Library. info: 947-9191

JANUARY 5

Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting, 6 - 7 p.m. at Salado Montessori, 10880 FM 1670 Salado info: (817) 690-3744

JANUARY 6

3 Kings 3 Miler at St. Joseph's Episcopal Church. Registration info: runsignup.com/Race/TX/ Salado/3Kings3Miler

JANUARY 8

First Day of School at Salado Montessori info: (817) 690-3744

JANUARY 8

SISD Long Range Facilities Planning Committee meeting, 6 - 8 p.m. at Salado Civic Center. Open to the public

JANUARY 10

Tablerock's Young Writers Poetry Contest submissions guidelines: Tablerock1@aol.com JANUARY 13 - 14

Salado Market Days, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall

JANUARY 13

Asanas & Ales, 10 a.m. at Barrow Brewing Co JANUARY 15 No Classes Salado ISD JANUARY 18

Priest's Pint, 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co JANUARY **21**

Salado 4H Meeting, 4 p.m. at Salado High School Cafeteria

JANUARY 22

Library Board of Trustees Meeting, 5 - 6 p.m. at Salado Public Library

JANUARY 22

SISD Long Range Facilities Planning Committee meeting, 6 - 8 p.m. at

Salado Civic Center. Open



Salado Public Library will host its monthly Adult Craft session 2 - 4 p.m. on Jan. 3. Register for the adult only session by calling the library at (254) 947-9191.

JANUARY 27

Asanas & Ales, 10 a.m. at Barrow Brewing Co JANUARY **29**

Salado Masonic Lodge Stated meeting, 7:30 p.m. at Salado Masonic Lodge. Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

JANUARY 31 Deadline for submis-

sions to the Central Texas Poetry and Prose Readings held Feb 1. guidelines: tablerock1@aol.com

February 1

Central Texas Poetry and Prose Readings, 7 p.m. at Tablerock submission guidelines: tablerock1@ aol.com due by Jan. 31 FEBRUARY 3 OR 4 Salado Legends Auditions, 3 p.m. at Tablerock. info: Donnie Williams, (254) 947-0717or

mr.duck@embarqmail.com FEBRUARY 5 Last Day to Register to Vote for Bell County March Primary Election FEBRUARY 5 Salado ISD closed

FEBRUARY 10 - 11 Salado Market Days, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall. FEBRUARY 10 Tournament to Benefit Tablerock 1 p.m. at Mill Creek Golf Course, \$100 entry fee: (254) 947-9205 Mapou 10

MARCH 19 Salado Masonic Lodge Stated meeting, 7:30 p.m. at Salado Masonic Lodge.

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MARCH 23

RAW featured artist Tomas Fierro and the Tyler Stuckey Band, 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

MARCH 24

Asanas & Ales, 10 a.m. at Barrow Brewing Co MARCH 24 - 25

Texas Wine & Rogue Art Fest info: www.saladowinefestival.com

March 24

Tejas Storytellers, 1 p.m. at Salado Public Library and 7 p.m. Concert at Tablerock. info: tablerock.org MARCH 30 Salado ISD closed

APRIL 14 - 15 Salado Market Days, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall APRIL 23 Salado Masonic Lodge Stated meeting, 7:30 p.m. at Salado Masonic Lodge. Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

April 23 - May 1

Early Voting for Bell County Local Elections

May 5

Uniform Election date local elections

May 12 - 13

Salado Market Days, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall

May 28

Salado Masonic Lodge Stated meeting and Election of Officers, 7:30 p.m. at Salado Masonic Lodge. Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

May 27

JUNE 9 - 10

Antique Mall

hearsals begin

JUNE 11

JUNE 25

Salado ISD bad weather day

Salado ISD noon release

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9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Salado

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Asanas & Ales, 10 a.m. at Barrow Brewing Co FEBRUARY **12** Salado ISD bad weather

day FEB 20 - MARCH 2 Early Voting for Bell County March Primary

County March Primary Election FEBRUARY 26

Salado Masonic Lodge Stated meeting, 7:30 p.m. at Salado Masonic Lodge. Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

MARCH 6

Primary Election

MARCH 9 - 16 Salado ISD Spring Break, noon release on March 9

MARCH 10 - 11 Salado Market Days, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall

FEBRUARY 15

Priest's Pint, 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co FEBRUARY 17

Mitch Spins Records,

7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

FEBRUARY 24

Asanas & Ales, 10 a.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

March 10

Asanas & Ales, 10 a.m. at Barrow Brewing Co

MARCH 15 Priest's Pint, 6:30 p.m.

at Barrow Brewing Co

March 17

Wedding Reception with live music from Blessed Union of Blues, noon at Barrow Brewing Co

MARCH 19 Denver Mills Golf



Carols, Communion and a Candlelight Christmas Eve Service begins 6 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Salado.

Live Music in Salado

SATURDAY

Dow Ferguson hosts open mic for classical guitarists, 2 - 6 p.m. at The Strawberry Patch

Off The Deep End, 7 - 9 p.m. at Barrow Brewing

SUNDAY

Carols, Communion and a Candlelight Christmas Eve Service, 6 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Salado

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LIVE MUSIC VENUES:

Barrow Brewing Company on Royal barrowbrewing.com First Baptist Church on Main First Cedar Valley Baptist Church 12237 FM 2843 Salado United Methodist Church on Royal The Strawberry Patch on Main

December 30

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DECEMBER 31

New Year's Watch Night gospel singing, 7 p.m. midnight followed by a potluck dinner at First Cedar Valley Baptist Church



(ADOBE STOCK PHOTO) GINGERBREAD MOLASSES COOKIES

MAKES ABOUT 2 DOZEN A delicately spiced holiday favorite sweetened with molasses. Ingredients: 2 1/4 cup all-purpose flour 2 teaspoons baking soda 1/2 teaspoon fine sea salt 1 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon 1 teaspoon ground ginger 3/4 teaspoon ground cloves 3/4 teaspoon ground allspice 3/4 cup (1 1/2 sticks) unsalted butter, room temperature 1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar 1/2 cup plus 1/3 cup sugar, divided 1 egg 1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract 1/3 cup unsulphured molasses 2 teaspoons orange zest

Method:

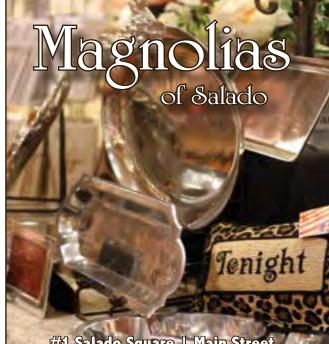
Preheat the oven to 375°F. In medium bowl, whisk together flour, baking soda, salt, cinnamon, ginger, cloves and all-spice; set aside.

In a large bowl, cream together butter, brown sugar and 1/2 cup of the granulated sugar with an electric mixer on medium speed until light and fluffy, scraping down sides of bowl with a rubber spatula, about 4 minutes. Add egg, vanilla and molasses and beat until combined, about 1 minute. Add flour mixture and beat just until combined, about 30 seconds.

Combine remaining 1/3 cup granulated sugar and orange zest in a shallow bowl. To form each cookie, roll about 2 tablespoons of the dough into a 1 1/2-inch ball, then roll in sugar mixture and transfer to parchment paper-lined baking sheets, spacing cookies about 2 inches apart. Bake until outer edges begin to set and centers are soft and puffy, 10 to 12 minutes. Cool for 2 to 3 minutes, then transfer to cooling racks and cool completely.

Nutritional Info: Per Serving: Serving size: 1 cookie, 150 calories (50 from fat), 6g total fat, 3.5g saturated fat, 25mg cholesterol, 160mg sodium, 23g carbohydrates, 2g protein.





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HOLIDAY OATMEAL COOKIE MIX

Makes 2 dozen cookies

A jar of delicious cookie mix makes a great homemade gift, and these festive oatmeal cookies are particularly easy to mix up. Be sure to use old-fashioned (not quick-cooking) oats in this recipe for best texture.

Ingredients: For the mix 1 cup all-purpose flour 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon 1/2 teaspoon baking powder 1/4 teaspoon fine sea salt 3/4 cup dried cranberries 3/4 cup brown sugar 1 cup rolled oats 1 cup white chocolate chips To prepare 1 egg

HOLIDAY BERRY SAUCE

Serves 12 as a side condiment

Blueberries and raspberries add color and flavor to this unique spin on traditional cranberry sauce. The sauce can be made up to a week ahead. Perfect with leftover turkey sandwiches.

- Ingredients:
- 6 cups fresh cranberries, rinsed and drained
- 1/2 cup orange juice, more if needed
- 1 (16-ounce) package frozen blueberries
- 1 (12-ounce) package frozen raspberries
- 1 orange, Zest of
- 1 1/2 cup agave nectar or honey
- 1 cup sugar, or to taste

1/2 cup (1 stick) plus 2 tablespoons unsalted butter (10 tablespoons), melted 1/4 teaspoon baking soda

METHOD: For the mix:

Whisk together flour, baking powder, cinnamon, baking soda and salt in a medium bowl. Spoon into a 1-quart jar. Add the remaining mix ingredients in layers, pressing down lightly on each before adding the next. Seal jar. To prepare:

Preheat the oven to 350°F. Pour cookie mix into a large bowl and stir in egg and melted butter. Drop cookie dough onto ungreased baking sheets by rounded tablespoons, leaving 2 inches between each cookie.Bake until edges are just golden, 10 to 12 minutes. Cool cookies on the baking sheets for 5 minutes and then transfer to wire racks to cool completely.

Nutritional Info:

Per Serving: Serving size: 1 cookie, 150 calories (70 from fat), 8g total fat, 4.5g saturated fat, 25mg cholesterol, 55mg sodium, 20g carbohydrates, (1 g dietary fiber, 13g sugar), 2g protein.

Method:

Place cranberries in a large saucepan. Add orange juice and cook over medium heat for 7 to 10 minutes or until cranberries start to pop. Add blueberries, raspberries, orange zest, nectar and sugar. You may need to add a little more orange juice at this time if mixture is not slightly wet. Cook an additional 10 minutes, mashing cranberries if desired with a potato masher. Let mixture cool before serving. Nutritional Info:

Per Serving: 150 calories (0 from fat), 38g carbohydrates, (3 g dietary fiber, 30g sugar), 1g protein.

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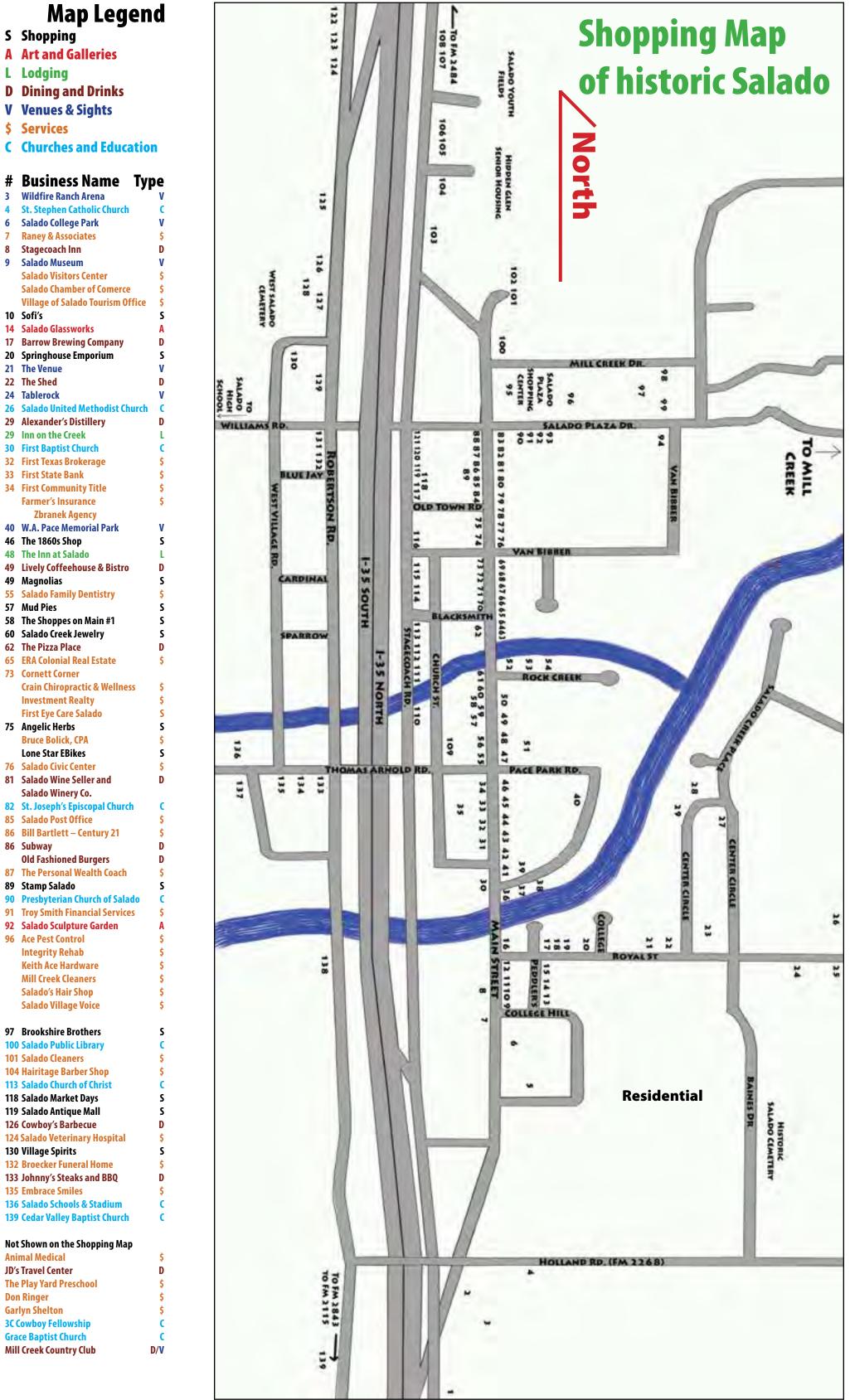
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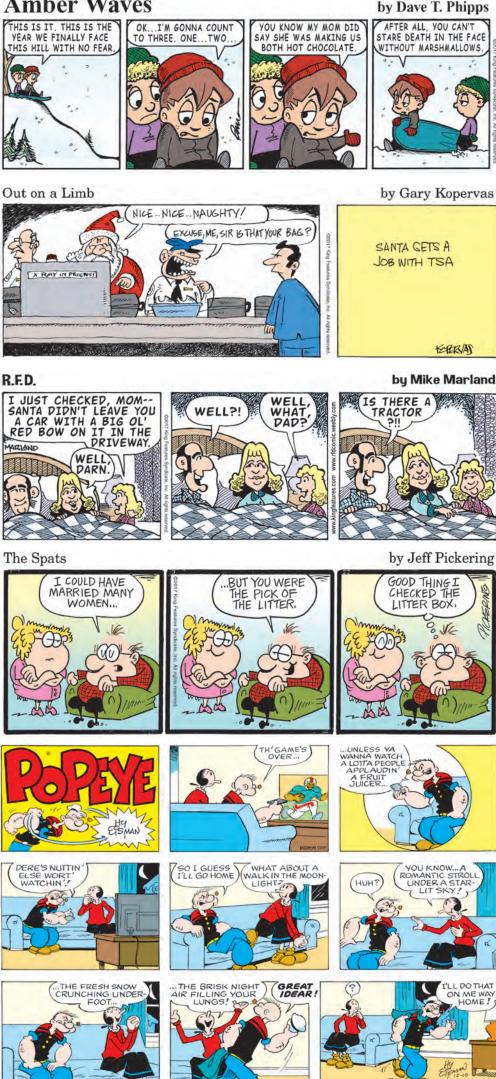
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Historical Markers in Salado

- 6. Salado Historic College Hill
- 8. Shady Villa Hotel (Stagecoach Inn)
- 8. Main Street Bridge
- 16. Barber-Berry Mercantile
- 23. The Baines House
- 24. Historic Dipping Vats
- 25. The A.J. Rose Mansion
- 26. Old Methodist Chapel
- 27. Caskey-Hendricks House
- 28. Dr. McKie Place (Twelve Oaks)
- 29. Alexander's Distillery
- 30. First Baptist Church
- 31. The Tyler House
- 35. Salado Masonic Lodge #296
- 45. The Anderson House
- 46 Old Saloon
 - 48. The Norton-Orgain House
 - 50. The Barton House
 - 51. The Levi Tenney House
 - 55. The Armstrong Adams House
- 61. Historic Lenticular Bridge
- 49. The Vickrey House
- 76. Boles-Aiken & Denman Cabins
- 77. The Robert B. Halley House
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- 100. The Josiah Fowler House

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When East covered with the king, declarer ruffed, crossed to the queen of diamonds and led the heart eight. This time East was unable to cover, whereupon Siniscalco discarded the eight of clubs!

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West took the trick with his nine but could not stop declarer from making the contract. With the clubs now untangled, Siniscalco could ruff West's probable heart return, draw the missing trump, cash the Q-K of clubs and then discard two spades on dummy's 5-4 of clubs to finish with 11 tricks.

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1. MONEY: What was the

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3. THEATER: What musical included the characters of Maria Rainer and Captain Georg von Trapp?

4. ANATOMY: What are the names of the arteries that supply blood to the head and neck?

5. MEASUREMENTS: What does an isobar represent on a map?

6. LANGUAGE: What word represents the letter R in the



NATO Phonetic Alphabet? 7. GEOGRAPHY: What is the significance of the 38th parallel north?

8. FAMOUS QUOTES: What 20th-century politician once said, "Everyone is entitled to his own opinion, but not his own facts"?

9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Where does the Oberammagau passion play take place every 10 representing an inanimate object? Answers

10. ASTRONOMY: What is the

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- 2. "Scream" 3. "The Sound of Music"
- 4. Carotid
- 5. Atmospheric pressure
- 6. Romeo
- 7. It forms the border between North and South Korea.
- 8. Daniel Patrick Moynihan
- 9. Germany
- 10. Libra (the scales)
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calco, a member of the Italian Blue Team that dominated world bridge in the 1950s and '60s.

Siniscalco was South and got to five diamonds as shown. There would have been no problem had he been able to run five clubs after drawing trumps. But he realized that if West actually had a singleton club, which seemed likely from his lead, the suit was internally blocked. Regardless of the order in which he played the clubs, he would inevitably end up in his hand on the fourth round of the suit.

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Opening lead — seven of clubs.

pect of losing three spade tricks, and, as can be seen from the diagram, that is exactly what would have happened. Nevertheless, Siniscalco found an elegant solution to the problem.

He won the club lead with dummy's ace and led the jack of hearts, covered by East with the queen. Siniscalco ruffed with the nine, led the six of trumps to the eight and then played dummy's ten of hearts.

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Note that if East had elected

to play low on either the jack or ten of hearts when they were led from dummy, declarer would have discarded a club then and there. With West on lead, no harm could come to South at any stage, and 11 tricks thus became a virtual certainty.

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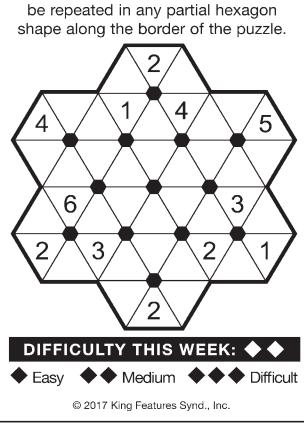
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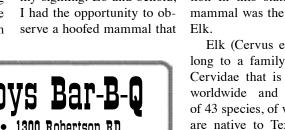
Elk have been reintroduced to Texas

As a west Texas naturalist, the majority of my summer field hours take place while most people are snug in their comforts of their beds. Sometimes during these evening jaunts, something will catch my eye that will cause me to do a double-take. One particular evening in the late 1990's, I saw something cross the road in front of me while I was driving from



Alpine to Ft. Stockton, and it wasn't until the next day that I was able to identify my sighting. Lo and behold, I had the opportunity to observe a hoofed mammal that





had once been a common sight in the Trans-Pecos before being hunted to extinction in this state, and that mammal was the impressive

Elk (Cervus elaphus) belong to a family known as Cervidae that is distributed worldwide and comprised of 43 species, of which three are native to Texas. Elk is by far the largest cervid that calls Texas its home with adult males attaining a body length of over 6 feet in length (with a relatively small $-6\frac{1}{4}$ inch – tail) and a weight of over 600 pounds. Females are significantly smaller than mature males.

Historically, Elk could be observed throughout the Trans-Pecos and western Panhandle regions of Texas with the Guadalupe Mountains boasting the largest population densities. However, it was regrettably hunted to extinction in this state by the turn of the 20th century. However, in the late 1920's, Judge J.C. Hunter transported more than 40 Elk from North Dakota and subse-

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quently released them into the Guadalupe Mountains. That population reproduced and stabilized enough to be listed by the state as an acceptable game animal in the 1950's. Other mountain ranges in the Trans-Pecos, including the Glass, Wylie, Davis, and Eagle mountains, have all had Elk reintroductions during the past several decades. The first wild Elk that I saw in this state that evening was obviously moving from one mountain range

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to the other (Glass mountains to the Davis mountains, or vice versa). Since the latter reintroductions, many more Elk have been seen not only in the mountains, but in the neighboring foothills as well.

Elk appear to be very deer-like with a cows head in appearance. Both sexes are colored a light tan to almost yellowish brown on the upperparts, while males have long and scraggly hair on their neck and bellies. Males also have legs that are much darker than the fur on the backside. Females are hornless, while males have large, pointed antlers that are shed off on a yearly basis. Typically, most males have only 6-9 points on their antlers, although some individuals in certain years of prolific moisture can have many more.

Elk live primarily in herds except in the spring and early summer when a virile male will take several females

in what is called a bachelor herd. Breeding in this herd usually takes place in late summer or early fall. Gestation is just shy of 9 months, and the young calves are helpless for the first couple of weeks of life. After about a month, the mother and calf will rejoin the main herd as the calf begins to graze on grasses and other vegetation. Sexual maturity for females is usually achieved in their second year of life while it is a year later for the bulls.

Since that first thrilling sighting, I have had the pleasure of seeing several of these magnificent beasts in the field with the vast majority of these sightings being west of Sanderson. In fact, my family recently had the exhilarating experience of freeing a young calf that had its leg ensnared in a barbedwire fence while its parents bugled and mooed {safely} from a distance.



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Oil Painting Studio offers a supportive and creative approach to oil painting. Helen Alexander will be in the studio each session to assist students in laying out a composition for painting from a still life or a photograph, blocking in a painting, determining the color pallet, and tips for techniques with oils. A description of the focus for each class is listed on the website at cacarts.org/classes. All

levels of experience are welcome. Supplies not included; contact Kristen Reichert at visualarts@cacarts.org for questions about supplies. Classes are every other Sat. beginning Jan. 13 at 1-3pm for high school ages and up. Cost is \$18/session or \$100

Tap Class for Adults is taught by veteran Broadway performer JoAnna Zercher Langthorn for ages 18 and up. The January mini-session will cover basic dance skills and steps for new students or those who need a refresher course. The full-month session in February is a traditional tap dance technique class focusing on Broadwaystyle tap. College discounts are available. For more in-

formation contact Mrs. Langthorn at 254-778-1816. The refresher course is \$25 and is held on Jan. 22 and 29 at 5:30-6:15 p.m. The monthly sessions, \$50/month, are held on Mondays beginning Feb. 5 at 5:30-6:15pm.

Meditation and Abstract Art is a one-day workshop taught by retired art professor S. Chuck McCarter, whose artworks are currently on display in Howard Gallery. Learn the guidelines for color use, concept, composition and design. Experiment and play your way to beautiful, original and expressive abstract/non-objective paintings. Course is held on Jan. 27 at 10 a.m.-4 p.m. for ages 18 and up. Cost is \$150 and includes supplies, although

students are welcome to bring a canvas larger than 9" x 12" if they prefer.

Night Out Parties hosted by the CAC are led by Jennifer Turner and features DIY art projects mixed with a fun, social atmosphere. Themes include a "Girls Night Out" where you can decorate your own wine glass on January 11 and 23 at 6-7:30pm. A "Date Night Out" in February gives couples a chance to get creative with their valentine. Supplies are included starting at \$25/person, and participants are welcome to bring their own beverages and snacks. The calendar and project descriptions will be listed on the website under classes tab at cacarts.org/ classes

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for all six sessions.

DPS: Give the Gift of Safe Travel This Holiday Season

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is reminding drivers that by staying sober and following basic traffic laws, they can give their fellow motorists the gift of safe travels this season. In an effort to increase safety on Texas roadways, DPS Troopers will conduct traffic patrols throughout the holiday weekends of Dec. 24 – 27 and Dec. 31 – Jan. 1, looking for drunk drivers, speeders, seat belt violators and other dangerous drivers. Many local law enforcement agencies will also increase enforcement efforts over the holidays.

"The holidays are here, and as everyone begins to celebrate this special time of year, we are also asking Texans to be responsible and safe," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "We trust the majority of Texans will heed our guidance to be extra careful and patient on the roadways, but there will always be those who disregard the safety of others by driving impaired or engaging in other reckless behavior. DPS, and police agencies across the state, will do our part to deter and take enforcement action against dangerous drivers over the holidays." During the six-day Christmas/New Year holiday enforcement effort last year, DPS Troopers issued more than 72,000 citations and warnings for a variety of violations, including speeding, no insurance and seat belt/ child safety seat usage. DPS enforcement efforts also resulted in 439 DWI arrests. 289 fugitive arrests and 229 felony arrests. Remember to protect those working on the side of the road this holiday by following the law: SLOW DOWN or MOVE OVER for police, fire, EMS, Texas Department of Transportation vehicles and tow trucks stopped on the side of the road with emergency lights

activated. Also, show the same courtesy to fellow drivers stopped along the road.

DPS offers the following additional tips for safe travel during the holidays:

Do not drink and drive. Make alternate travel plans if you are consuming alcohol. Slow down – especially in bad weather, construction areas, heavy traffic and unfamiliar areas.

Eliminate distractions while driving, including the use of mobile devices. Texas law prohibits using a portable wireless device to read, write or send an electronic message unless the vehicle is stopped. Buckle up everyone in the vehicle – it's the law.

Don't drive fatigued – allow plenty of time to reach your destination. Drive defensively, as holiday

travel may present additional challenges. If you see a road hazard or

something suspicious during the holidays, report it to the nearest law enforcement agency.

Before your trip begins, make sure your vehicle is properly maintained and always double check to make sure all cargo is secure.

Monitor weather and road conditions wherever you are traveling. For road conditions in TX, https://drivetexas.org.



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Village of Salado Police Report

Week of 12-11-17 through 12-17-17



12-12-17	Business alarm	100 Mill Creek
12-12-17	Assist other agency	I-35 and Exit 280
12-15-17	Public Intoxication	2700 Hester Way
12-15-17	Criminal mischief	200 Indian Trail
12-16-17	Crash	I-35 and Exit 284



As part of the Racial Profiling Law, the Salado Police Department is required to educate the public on the complaint process for citizens who believe they have been the victims of racial profiling. Anyone who wishes to file a complaint, or complement, regarding an officer of the Salado Police Department, may do so in any of the following ways: 1. Send a written letter to P.O. Box 219, Salado, Texas, Attention Chief Ashe. 2. Email to Chief Ashe at rashe@ saladotx.gov 3. Come to the police station at 313 N Stagecoach Drive Salado Texas. 4. Call Chief Ashe at 254 947-5681

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1146 Shepherd Dr. One of a kind English Cottage home. set in a tranquil neighborhood! Once you enter, notice the beautiful hardwood floors throughout the entire downstairs. \$429,900



318 Main St Great Retail or Office Space on Main Street in Salado. Fronting both Main Street and Church Street, the main brick building has approximately 2456 SF \$449,900



Thomas Arnold Rd. A rare lind in Salado with over 16 acres that has it all. Large scattered trees with rolling topography. Amazing views overlooking Texas Hill Country, Great investment or development opportunity. or the perfect place to call home! \$450,000



1607 Chisholm Court Updated 3 bedroom/2 bathroom home to include fresh paint, updated tile, and new appliances. Just a short walk to Mill Creek Pool & Club House. \$189,900



3202 Saint Luke Brand new home being constructed under \$300,000 with all the bells and whistles. Raised ceilings and fireplace in the living room make it the perfect spot to spend time with the entire family! \$270,000



903 Rose Way Your chance to own this picturesque bed and breakfast in the heart of downtown Salado. \$950,000



528 Creekside Craftsman style home done by Randy Taylor Custom Builders in Salado's newest upscale gated community. This beautiful home has an open concept, wood beams, rock walls and fireplace inside



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