

TPW awards village \$150K parks grant

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Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission announced May 27 that it approved more than \$21.6 million in competitive local park grants to help fund projects that will create and enhance outdoor recreational opportunities like nature trails, native gardens, playgrounds, splash pads, dog parks and sports fields at 38 community parks state-wide.

The grants, allocated to local government entities, appropriate state and federal funding dedicated for the acquisition and/or development of public recreation areas and facilities in Texas on a 50/50 reimbursement match basis. Once funded, all grant-assisted sites must be dedicated as parkland in perpetuity, properly maintained and open to the public.

The commission, which administers the local park grants program for the state of Texas, awarded projects in various categories based on community population size and scope.

Urban Outdoor Recreation Grants are reserved for local units of government having populations exceeding 500,000, with projects in five communities receiving grants.

The Non-Urban Outdoor Recreation Grants are dedicated to funding park projects in municipalities under 500,000 and the commission-approved awards to projects in 21 communities.

The Small Community Recreation Grants are for park projects in towns of less than 20,000 and were awarded to 12 communities, including the Village of Salado.

The Village of Salado is one of three central Texas communities to receive the matching grant.

The village of Salado is the recipient of a \$150,000 small community grant for its Pace Park All Abilities Playground. Proposed development and renovations include the playground with inclusive elements and native landscaping.

The Village of Salado has budgeted \$50,000 toward the \$150,000 match. Other funds are coming from the Sirena-fest and other donors. Sirenafest will be making an announcement about a major donation towards the All Abilities Playground.

Village of Salado aldermen will discuss at their 6:30 p.m. June 3 meeting approving an agreement with Langford Community Management Services to manage the grant for a cost of \$15,000.

Other central Texas communities to receive grants from Texas Parks & Wildlife were Travis County and La Grange.

Travis County is the recipient of an approximately \$1.4 million urban outdoor grant for its Onion Creek Greenway Phase IV project.

The city of La Grange is the recipient of a \$750,000 non-urban outdoor grant for its Hope Hill Park.



(PHOTOS BY TIM FLEISCHER)

Blake Waller (foreground) and John Bohlin (facing away) perform Taps at the end of the Memorial Day service at Salado Cemetery.



Retired Brigadier General Jason Walrath was the keynote speaker.

Brig. Gen. Walrath offers reflections on Memorial Day

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

“For the past 20 years, we haven’t been a nation at war, but rather a military at war.”

Retired Brigadier General Jason Walrath, a 1989 graduate of West Point, spoke to an audience of more than 100 gathered on Memorial Day to honor the military members buried in Salado Cemetery.

Gen. Walrath told the audience that one half of one percent of American citizens serve in the military. “In essence a tiny portion shoulder the load of national security in defense of our freedoms,” he said, “freedoms that precipitate a military populated largely by free thinking, self-reliant and resilient Service Members.”

In the early 1990s, 36% of the US population were veterans. In 2021, that percentage is 16%. “Rural areas, especially the southeast US to include Texas are over represented in our

military ranks,” Gen. Walrath said. “We also know that 78% of the folks in the military today have a family member that served or is serving. In essence military service is a family enterprise.”

Because of the disconnect between American citizens and the citizen soldiers who volunteer for military service now, Memorial Day is becoming more the first weekend of summer than what it is truly intended to be: a time to reflect on the service and sacrifice of American servicemen and women.

“Memorial Day is an opportunity to reflect on those that gave their lives in our Nation’s defense,” Walrath said, then introducing the audience to his West Point classmate and friend Lt. Col Jim Walton. The two served in the infantry and later in aviation after graduating from the United States Military Academy. “He was a kind, unpretentious, humble guy who never drew attention to



Donna Stewart, Bob Stewart and Andy Anderson, members of the Bell County Sheriff’s Posse, post the colors.

himself,” he said. “He had an inner joy and peace that manifested in an eternal smile.”

He was killed in 2008 when his Humvee encountered an IED. He and three other soldiers were killed in the fire fight that followed. “Jim made a conscious decision to step up and defend this unique creation we call America,” Gen. Walrath said. “He was one of the good guys who volunteered to stand in our place in an attempt to hold the dark-

ness back just a little bit.”

“American Servicemen and women remain largely unchanged,” he said. “We are cohesive, dedicated and committed to achieving excellence. As an organization we don’t care what you look like, who you voted for or who you worship among other things.... The US Military stands in good stead. We are second to none globally for a number of reasons but primarily, because we are a free people.”

Aldermen tackle road & sewer issues June 3

Salado aldermen will mull two infrastructure items during their 6:30 p.m. June 3 meeting: roads and sewers.

Aldermen will consider awarding a contract for the Salado Plaza Drive Improvement Project.

Bids were received from the following contractors: Lone Star Grading & Materials, LLC of Salado, RT Schneider Construction Company of Belton and Myers Concrete of Wimberley.

The base bid called for reconstruction of the Salado Plaza Dr. roadway with six inches of reinforced concrete paving using a concrete pavement that could be open to traffic within seven days. An alternate to the Class P pavement would be using HES concrete pavement that could be open to traffic within 24 hours rather than seven days. Bidders were also asked to submit alternative pricing for us of ce-

ment stabilization rather than geogrid.

Village staff will recommend using the bad bid with geogrid and HES concrete. The low bidder is RT Schneider Construction Company with a bid of \$365,201.20.

The Village budgeted \$157,500 for this project in the current budget. If the board approves the bid, it will have to dip into the general fund balance to cover the overage.

The board will also consider a wastewater lift station odor control program for an estimated cost of \$29,000. The Village has approved a multi-month trial project to use odor-controlling chemicals at both the Royal Street and Church Street lift stations. Board members requested staff to present a 12-month program involving the use of odor control chemicals along with an enhanced scrubbing filter hood

to further reduce odor issues at the lift stations.

The board will consider approving a proposed Hotel Occupancy Tax funded community support program to set aside \$35,000 per year for distribution to individuals, groups and businesses in support of certain community events that promote overnight visitation in Salado.

Funding applications can be submitted beginning in June. The applications will

be reviewed by the Tourism Advisory Board and forward funding recommendations for the coming fiscal year to the Village Board of Aldermen.

In other business, aldermen will consider appointing members to various boards, including these:

Judy Fields to Tourism Advisory Board.

John Newman to Parks Advisory Board.

Ryan Kinch to Tourism

Golf cart change coming

Following a recent opinion issued by Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton that state law requires the operator of a golf cart to have a driver’s license, Salado aldermen will consider repealing its current golf cart ordinance and issuing a new ordinance.

State law requires licensed operators, license plates and certain safety equipment for golf carts. The law allows the operation of golf carts on public roads in master planned communities, public beaches and on roadways within a certain distance of a golf course during daytime hours only.

State law also allows municipalities to authorize the operation of golf carts on any public road, day or

night, where the speed limit does not exceed 35 mph.

The changes in the golf cart ordinance includes allowing golf carts to operated on public streets during daytime or nighttime.

The ordinance also enforces locally the operational and equipment requirements for Golf Carts outlined in the Texas Transportation Code.

A golf cart operated under Section 551.404 must have the following equipment: headlamps, taillamps, reflectors, parking brake; and mirrors.

Golf carts operated on public streets will also require license plates to be issued by the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles. The fee for a golf cart license plate is no more than \$10. Golf cart license plates do

not expire. A person who becomes the owner of a golf cart for which the previous owner obtained a license plate may not use the previous owner’s license plate.

While golf carts are allowed on streets with speed limits of 35 MPH or less, they may cross intersections with streets that exceed the 35 MPH limit.

Enforcement under the new golf cart ordinance will fall under the Salado Police Department, which will have the power to have a golf cart towed to an impound lot at the expense of the owner if the cart is operated in violation of the ordinance. Fines for violating the golf cart ordinance will not exceed \$500 per offense.



(PHOTO BY TIM FLEISCHER)

Roy Harden, Mike Walsh and Joe Oliver grilled up hamburgers and hot dogs for the May 27 Friends and Neighbors gathering at Mill Creek Country Club. Tommye Prater, Darlene Walsh and Judy Harden served up the food and fixings to more than 100 Saladoans who enjoyed the gathering. Salado alderman Paul Cox entertained the group with songs, the first time in more than a year for him to perform before an audience. The event was sponsored by The Volunteers.

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New home sales drop 5.9%, cost of homes jumps 13.1%

The Markets

The old, reliable, if sometimes eccentric, S&P 500 Stock Index (SPX) closed out the week and the month at 4201.11, up 1.16% for the week and over a half a percent for the month. At the halt of trading before the long weekend, it was a mere 0.67% below its record high close early in the month. It has now risen for the past four consecutive months and is up 11.93% year-to-date. Interestingly enough, the Index now seems to be immune from panics in the cryptocurrencies market with Bitcoin now down almost 50% from its high in mid-April and a selloff on Friday. The CRSP Mid-Cap Value Index closed at 2482.32, up 1.03% for the week and 21% so far this year.

The 10-year U.S. Treasury note yield, ignoring headline inflation alarms, slipped 1.7% to yield 1.584% as buyers continued to suppress any increases. Ultra-short-term rates remain near and in some cases below zero, lower than they were last year when the Fed forced rates down, as a lot of cash continued to seek short-term safe havens. The yield on Treasury securities maturing out as far as mid-October was negative. The yield curve, a generally good predictor of economic cycles, remained steep with the 30-year Treasury bond yielding 2.264%. West Texas Intermediate crude oil (WTI) ended the workweek at \$66.63, up about 4.5% for the week on increasing demand and a whopping 37.6% year-to-date.

The Economy

Even as the effect of the stimulus checks fade into memory, with an accompanying drop in household income of 13%, consumer spending, the prime driver in the U.S. economy, jumped 0.5% in April according to the Commerce Department. What was being bought though shifted a bit from products toward services

Market & Economic Update

By Jeffrey W. McClure



as more people ventured out to restaurants, movie theaters, and other sources of entertainment. Services spending rose 1.1% for the month, while spending on goods fell 0.6%. Spending on goods remains near a record high and is still well above the long-term trend line while services spending still has some catching up to do to get back where it was before the pandemic. Oddly, despite the April drop, household income remained 11% higher than it was in February 2020, just before the pandemic hit.

In what initially might appear as a dark cloud, the Census Bureau reported new orders for durable goods decreased 1.3% in April after 11 months of consecutive increases. A closer look revealed that if we exclude transportation from the figures, orders actually increased by 1% for the month. The culprit appears to be the automotive chip shortage. Transportation orders, primarily cars and trucks, declined 6.7%, even as the backlog of unfilled orders continued to rise. The bright spot in the report was in orders for commercial capital goods, up 3.5% for April and over 15% this year. Commercial capital goods orders constitute investments by businesses in future production capacity and are one of the best indicators of future economic growth. Normally, commercial CAPEX, as it is called in economics jargon, tends to surge at the bottom of a recession and indicates that businesses have identified an opportunity to invest. This time around, the surge appears to be coming well off the bottom and sug-

gests there is a lot of room left to grow in the economy.

An economic indicator that did fall in April was new-home sales, down 5.9% as builders had fewer to sell and the price of construction surged. According to the Case-Shiller Home Price Index, the average cost of a home has risen 13.1% in the last year. At the same time, surveys suggested that the growth in the number of people planning to buy new homes fell to "only" 9.1% from March's 11%. That is still a lot of folks looking for a new home.

We've been following new unemployment claims carefully this year as the number was stuck at or above 700,000 per week for most of early 2021. Last week we saw a delightful drop to 444,000 and this week the news got better as the newly unemployed dropped to 406,000. That is still nearly twice what we saw pre-pandemic but is definitely headed in the right direction.

The bottom line remains much the same, the U.S. economy is booming and is awash in cash, much of which will be spent over the next year or two. The restrictions, and where prices are rising, is in areas where the logistics chain is clogged and both manufacturers and service providers are having trouble keeping up with demand. The underlying fundamentals of the stock market continue to remain sound as corporations are coming in with record revenues and profits. While we have faith that there are bumps ahead, there is room to grow and plenty of cash to fuel a lot of economic expansion.

Human Cicadas

Think of us as cicadas, the insects you've heard about ad nauseam, that live underground for 17 years and then surface to get it on. Well, we humans in the U.S. have sheltered in place for 17 months, give or take, tucked away from the ravages of COVID. And now we are about to find out how bawdy our bodies have become.

Now millions of hibernating Americans will emerge, courtesy of the vaccine, to discover how the world has changed. The absence of masks -- prima facie evidence of a return to "normal" -- might reveal a metamorphosed society. True, the millions of workers who got used to upper-half masquerades during Zoom meetings, or those who were forced into babysitting the kiddies at home as the family urchins struggled with school, will now come trickling back to the office -- if they have an office to which they can return. Many desperate employers discovered the financial advantages of having less real estate, and some have turned to machines to make their employees flat out obsolete. Fewer jobs mean fewer restaurants or food trucks, fewer hotel rooms, fewer shopping opportunities, fewer entertainment venues and, most importantly, fewer workers downtown to staff those facilities.

And what about those precious little delicate flower kiddies, who are going back to in-person school, or will return this fall? Will they be like the cic-

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das and have forgotten all they had learned, or will at least some of the virtual instruction have actually taken? Probably a bit of both. Chances are they will have some catching up to do. Will colleges and universities have to lower their admission standards, or will higher education change now that we've discovered that you don't have to go to a boring lecture from a pompous junior instructor in a decrepit building at exorbitant tuition prices when you can get that same pomposity from your Zoom room at home?

How will the politicians respond to all these changes? The easy answer is poorly or not at all. They're dinosaurs anyway, mired in extinct issues, ready for some meteor to obliterate them before they even deal with reality -- as opposed to the cliched issues of yesteryear. They are most preoccupied with keeping their jobs, which makes them vulnerable to the demagogues and influence peddlers who will pay good -- or should I say bad? -- money to keep things the way they were. That is to say unfairly distributed. We never learn or, if we do learn, it's the wrong lesson. The pandemic provided proof. Since the beginning of the United States, we have

been stained as a nation by our oppressive treatment of people of color. Even today, as we undeservedly gloat about each tidbit of progress we've made, we are faced with statistics that minorities have been disproportionately felled by the coronavirus. Why? Because of crippling discrimination, that's why. We are still badly burdened by inequality. The poor are stuck in menial jobs that require face-to-face contact with the infectious general public, forced to live far from health care as well as nutrition.

It's not hard to understand that. The reaction has been divided. Liberals talk a good game. They pretend they want to take meaningful steps to force police to stop killing minorities, going through the motions of making schools better for all, giving lip service to the ways they'll achieve equal opportunity. Conservatives challenge what they call a "critical race" curriculum, attacking the way the history of prejudice in the United States is taught. All that frustration and futility begs the question that cicadas ask even if they succeed in making the big score after 17 years of anticipation: Was it really worth it?

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The GOP Future Is Bright

Republicans have had a brutal news cycle over the past month, between the ouster of Liz Cheney from leadership and the intraparty jousting over a January 6 commission.

The overwhelming sense of the coverage is that the party is descending into madness and civil war and is a husk of its former self. There's no denying that much of the party has been too willing to indulge or look away from wild theories about the 2020 election and the Capitol riot, but this shouldn't obscure the fact that the Republicans are well-positioned to take the House next year.

All indications are that GOP voters are united and energized and the party is doing what's necessary to make Kevin McCarthy the next speaker, which would instantly squash the never-very-plausible talk of Joe Biden being the next FDR. The foundation of the GOP's unity, of course, is that Donald Trump effortlessly maintained his control of the GOP. The anticipated civil war came and went with barely a shot fired.

Cheney is certainly a casualty, although she is now less a leader of a significant faction of the party and more a voice crying in the wilderness. That is an honorable role, and she may well be vindicated in the fullness of time.

But the party will pay no electoral price for the drama over her leadership role or, likely, for its continued loyalty to Trump.

Despite Trump's grip,

Rich Lowry



he's not front and center for average voters. He isn't president and he isn't on the ballot. The focus inevitably will be on Biden and his agenda, which will loom larger than anything the former president can do from Mar-a-Lago.

The Democratic polling outfit Democracy Corps just did a battleground survey that confirmed this picture. As Stanley Greenberg writes in a memo about the poll, among Republicans: "the percent scoring 10, the highest level of interest in the election, has fallen from 84-68%. But Democrats' engagement fell from 85-57%."

Greenberg calls the GOP base "uniquely unified and engaged."

More evidence is the boffo fundraising by the National Republican Campaign Committee so far. Meanwhile, GOP candidate recruitment is ahead of the pace of prior midterm cycles, whereas Democrats are seeing worrisome retirements.

It's not as though there's a high bar for the GOP. Republicans will need to flip about half-a-dozen seats in the House, when in the post-World War II era the president's party has lost on average 27 seats in midterms.

On top of this, the playing field is tilting the GOP's way. Reapportionment gave more seats to Repub-

lican states and based on its strength in state legislatures, the GOP also has the upper hand in redistricting. The Biden theory is that \$6 trillion in spending will deliver a roaring economy that diminishes any mid-term losses. But the latest jobs and inflation numbers show that it might not be so simple, and there is considerable doubt whether Biden can get his spending.

Greenberg derives some comfort from his belief that, in contrast to 2020, "this time, Democrats cannot fail to see how early Trump's party is fully engaged with its ongoing culture war, focused on crime, open borders, and defunding the police."

Yet, there is no indication of any effort to seriously defuse these issues. Biden's policies have needlessly created a crisis at the border, and murder rates continue to climb in major cities, even as much of the left still talks of the police as if it's a racist occupying force.

There are miles to go before November 2022. Biden might find a way to thread the needle of cooperating with Republicans on infrastructure and police reform without alienating his own base, and unforeseen events always take a hand.

But the story of 2021 is not a Republican meltdown. Despite what you read, the party stands a good chance to end its bout in the wilderness after two short years.

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Time and effort appreciated by all who attended Mill Creek Gathering

Dear Editor,

The Salado Volunteers (Joe Oliver, Donald Hogue, Roy Harden, Tommye Prater) would like to thank so many for helping us plan and carry out our Night Out at The Club on Thursday evening. First and foremost Billy and Vicky Helm for opening up the Club to all. The entire golf course staff Chris Graham (club manager and a jewel to work with), John Weaver (Course superintendent) and his helpers Quade and Cade who moved all the tables and chairs from The View while smiling

Paul Cox for the superb entertainment. Our special thanks to

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Mike and Darlene Walsh and Judy Harden for the hours of work cooking and serving. These 3 were priceless.

Theresa Howard for being in charge of our Door Prize tickets.

And all the wonderful old and new friends from our special Village who came and enjoyed an evening of friendship, music, laughter and food. Thank you all for supporting our first of what we hope to be monthly get-togethers through the next months. Was fun to meet so many new neighbors and listen to

laughter of the kids swimming in the pool.

Mike and Diane Coggins we all missed you being there and pray your Dad will get better soon.

Thank you to all! Watch for information soon on our next Night Out at The Club.

Salado Volunteers
Joe Oliver, Donald Hogue,
Roy Harden, Tommye Prater

“Chip your Pet” at St. Joseph’s Episcopal Church on June 5

St. Joseph’s Episcopal Church is hosting a “Chip Your Pet” event on June 5 Saturday from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at 881 N. Main St. in Salado

Cost is \$12 for the smaller dogs, \$10 for the larger dogs.

Dogs must be on a leash. Cats should be in a carrier/ crate.

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Church of Christ shows series of videos entitled "The Truth Project"

The first in The Truth Project series began June 2 at the Salado Church of Christ and continues for 11 more weeks. Salado Church of Christ welcomes all their friends and neighbors to join them as they present the acclaimed video series from Focus on the Family entitled, The Truth Project. The series, which begins each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the church's auditorium, and runs for 12 consecutive weeks, will feature a brief time of discussion after each video has been shown.

Obituaries

VIRGINIA MADGE (TURNBO) WENDLER ARNOLD

Funeral services for Virginia Madge (Turnbo) Wendler Arnold, 89, of Temple, were held May 29 at the Dossman Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Nick Withers officiating. Burial followed at the St. John Lutheran Church Cemetery in Bartlett.

Arnold died Sunday, May 23, 2021 in a Temple hospital, with her family around her.

She was born September 27, 1931, in Youngsport, the daughter of James Jackson Turnbo and Millie Louise Mitchell Turnbo. She married Wallace Wendler December 16, 1947 in Belton. He preceded her in death in 2001. She later married Jess Arnold, in February, 2009. Jess died in 2011.

Mrs. Arnold was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Temple. She was a Christian, beloved wife, mother and Nana to all.

She was also preceded in death by her brother James Alfred Turnbo and Jess' daughter, Nancy Arnold Carrier.

Survivors include, three sons John Wayne Wendler of Holland, Jack Fritz Wendler and wife Deborah of Holland, and Jerrod Wade Wendler and wife Tammy of Vernon; three daughters Jimmie Alice Bratton and husband Johnny of Salado, Sue Williams and husband John of Troy, Joan Leslie Landes and husband Steve of Richards; Also Mr. Arnold's son, Mike Arnold and his wife Liz of Plano; 15 grandchildren, 33 great grandchildren and 8 great-great grandchildren. Special circumstances led to Mrs. Arnold being raised with cousins, Bob Shafer and Joe Shafer who were always considered her brothers.

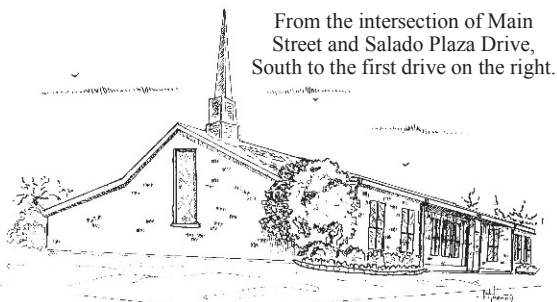
Memorials may be made to the Humane Society of your choice.



Presbyterian Church of Salado

A Friendly Small Church with a Message

Note: Based on the newest guidelines from CDC, the Church will allow fully vaccinated persons to attend worship without wearing masks. Non-vaccinated persons are asked to wear masks and to observe social distancing. (As of 5/16/21)



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Gertrude Emma Stegemoller Schwartz

Gertrude Emma Stegemoller Schwartz was born December 15, 1924 in Indian Gap, Texas and passed from this life on May 31, 2021. The daughter of Emil and Martha Stegemoller and granddaughter of German immigrants to Texas, Gertrude was raised on her family's farm in Hamilton County. She was the second of six children and a product of the Great Depression and World War II. Gertrude's early years were filled with daily chores around the farm including tending to livestock, gardening and canning vegetables, making butter and soap, picking cotton and plucking goose down for the family pillows... but her favorite activity had to be making sauerkraut, bread and her famous divinity. Gertrude attended Indian Gap School where she excelled in tennis. Shortly after his return from World War II, Gertrude met and married Charlie Schwartz of Priddy, Texas. Gertrude and Charlie were married 60 years prior to his passing.

Gertrude and Charlie's earliest years in marriage were spent operating the livestock auction barn in Goldthwaite. They then moved to Junction where they built and operated Junction Stockyards, which became the largest Angora goat market in Texas.

Never one to sit still for long, Gertrude stayed active in her community. She loved to work in her yard, mow grass and for many years worked as an aide in Junction ISD. She spent countless hours driving students to and from various sporting events all over West Texas. Gertrude cherished the many years that she drove her bus routes for school children around Kimble County. Also very important to Gertrude was her church, College Street Church of Christ. She cherished her church family and volunteering alongside them.

Gertrude's greatest joy was her family. She drove hours to be present to watch all six of her grandchildren participate in countless sporting competitions and special events. Gertrude's "green-thumb" was infamous; she was able to make anything grow and loved doing so. Simply put, always one to have a smile on her face, Gertrude was ever willing to take part, go somewhere and enjoy those around her.

Gertrude was preceded in death by her husband Charlie Edward Schwartz, parents, Emil and Martha Stegemoller, brothers Alvin Stegemoller (Dorcas) and Milton Stegemoller (JoAnn), sisters Ruth Zschiesche (Carrell) and Joyce Ann Stegemoller. She was also preceded in death by her grandson Kyle Richardson and son-in-law Wade Richardson.

Gertrude is survived by her daughters Jane Schwartz Richardson and Kem Schwartz Kyburz (and husband Robert), and grandchildren Clay Richardson (Andie), Codi Richardson Kingman (Taylor), Peyton Kyburz, Kate Kyburz and Ryan Kyburz and great-grandchildren West and Sailor Richardson and Kyle, Brynn and Walker Kingman. Gertrude is also survived by her brother Mike Stegemoller (Betty) and numerous nephews and nieces and her special, close friend Artemisa Lozano.

The family would like to thank Rosie Gallardo, Elva Gallardo, Desiree Galan, Melissa Marmolejo, Gabrielle Garza and the staff of the Crockett County Care Center and Hospice of San Angelo for their compassionate care. Funeral service will be at 11am on Thursday, June 3 at College Street Church of Christ in Junction. Burial to follow at 4pm at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Ozona.

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Customer service and hospitality skills topic of Visit Salado tourism work shop series

The Visit Salado tourism department is offering the “Texas Friendly Hospitality Customer Service Workshop” on Saturday, June 26 10 a.m.-noon, and two sessions on Monday, June 28 10 a.m.-noon and 5:30-7:30 p.m. The workshop is designed by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. The workshops are free and open to the public, with each session limited to 50 attendees.

Everyone benefits from internal and external customer service, and Texas Friendly workshops are designed to help businesses, their staffs, and local volunteers on how to provide consistent, personalized, and amazing customer service. The workshop teaches participants how to create, manage, enhance, and cultivate the most up-to-date hospitality habits and customer service skills, while also showing how to empower employees, retain loyal customers and improve customer service. This workshop will also include Salado specific content and information on history, festivals, events, attractions and more.

Texas Friendly focuses on six hospitality habits necessary for quality customer service: make a good



first impression; know your job; know your community; communicate clearly; handle problems effectively; and make a good last impression.

Additional topics include business etiquette, phone courtesy, working with difficult people, handling complaints, cultural etiquette, and communication. Each attendee will also receive informational packets and a certificate of completion.

Certified Texas Friendly Instructors conduct and perform Texas Friendly customer service workshops acting as volunteers for the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and the instructor for this workshop is Tanida Mullen. Mullen, the

Association Sales Manager for the Killeen Convention and Visitors Bureau, has been teaching this workshop in other communities across Texas for over five years. She is also the founder of Take the Lead, a workshop for women in leadership, hosts the Savvy YP podcast, and has presented nationally at conferences and conventions.

For more information or to sign up you or your staff, email tourism@salado-tx.gov with the attendee’s name, email address, phone number and preferred date and time. You can also call the Visit Salado Tourism Office at (254) 947-8634. Registration ends Wednesday, June 23.

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Barrow Brewing Summer Lecture Series begins June 6

Barrow Brewing Company’s announces its Summer Lecture Series returns in 2021.

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They thought it would be fun to “geek out” over random subjects and craft beer.

They were right! Heinrich and Hill were able to re-

cruit other speakers and the series became an important part of the brewery’s annual events.

Speakers have included scientists, historians, authors and even a hypnotist.

This year’s lecture series will start on June 6 with Auntie Anne Beiler, the founder of Auntie Anne’s Pretzels.

Beiler recently published a new book, *Overcome and Lead*, and will be speaking at Barrow on finding purpose.

Each Sunday at 2 p.m. attend a lecture by a local professor, author, historian or scientist.

Other speaker dates in the series include these:

June 27: An interactive seminar to learn the basics of yodeling with Lori Beth Brooke.

July 4: The Last Howlujah: Tails from the Trail with Father William “Bill” Miller.

July 11: Singer-Songwriter-Punster and Preacher, Steve Brooks is a charter member of Austin’s Wildflower Church.

July 18: Central historian, environmental designer and former County Commissioner Tim Brown. When it comes to envisioning a future of Central Texas you need to have an appreciation of our past, our environment and our natural resources.

The lecture schedule can be found at www.barrowbrewing.com/events.

Hill is still recruiting speakers to fill out the Summer schedule. If interested, you can email her at kd@barrowbrewing.com.



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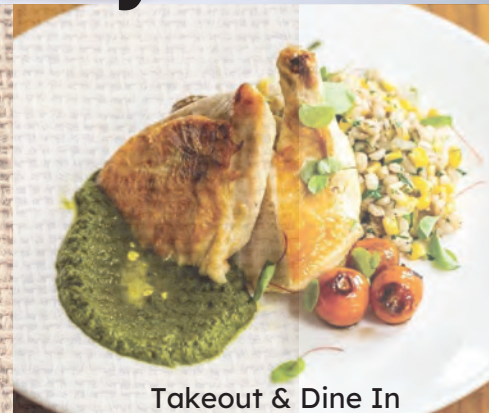
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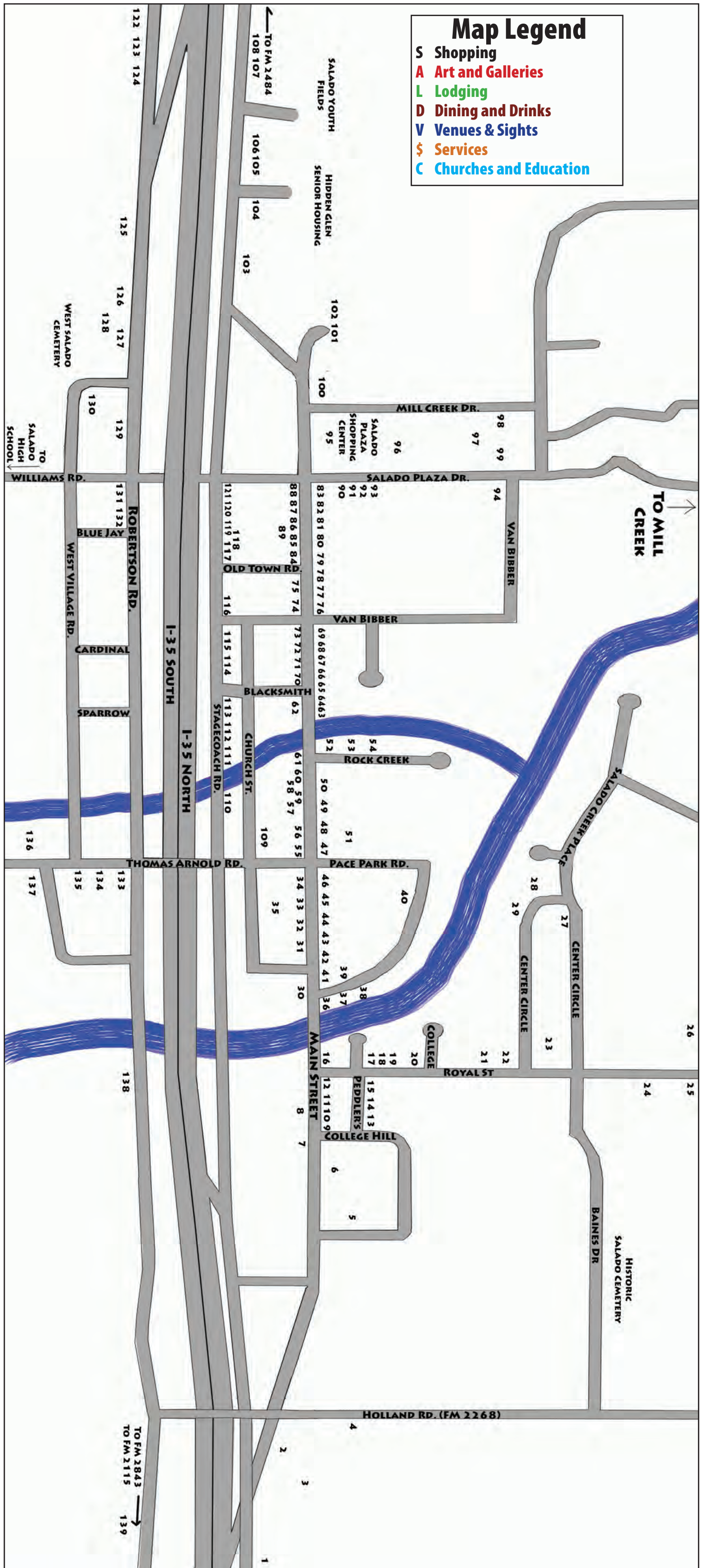
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Shopping Map of Salado

#	Business Name	Type
4	St. Stephen Catholic Church 254-947-8037	C
6	Salado College Park 254-947-5232	V
7	Raney & Associates 254-913-1215	\$
9	Salado Museum 254-947-5232	V
	Salado Visitors Center 254-947-8634	\$
	Salado Chamber of Commerce 254-947-5040	\$
	Village of Salado Tourism Office 254-947-8634	\$
10	Sofi's 254-947-4336	S
11	Chupacabra Craft Beer and Winery (512) 576-0123	D
	Chupacabra Kitchen (254) 308-2019	D
14	Salado Glassworks 254-947-0339	A
15	Rio Salado Cocina y Cantina 254-308-2044	D
16	The Sugar Shack 254-947-8840	S/D
17	Barrow Brewing Co. 254-947-3544	D
	Happy Pizza 254-226-1684	
21	The Venue 254-947-5554	V
	Village Spa 254-293-6600	S
22	The Shed 254-947-1960	D
24	Tablerock 254-947-9205	V
26	Salado United Methodist Church 254-947-5482	C
29	Inn on the Creek 254-947-5554	L
	Alexanders Craft Cocktails & Kitchen 254-947-3828	D
30	First Baptist Church 254-947-546	C
31	Fairway Mortgage 254-947-3454	\$
32	First Texas Brokerage 254-947-5577	\$
34	First Community Title 254-947-8480	\$
	Farmer's Insurance Zbraneck Agency 254-947-0995	\$
40	W.A. Pace Memorial Park 254-947-5060	V
53	Salado Creek Healing 254-308-0242	\$
55	Salado Family Dentistry 254-947-5242	\$
58	The Shoppes on Main The Marketplace Cafe 254-947-0888	S
60	Salado Creek Jewelry 254-855-5538	S
62	The Pizza Place 254-947-0222	D
75	Stage Stop Center Angelic Herbs 254-947-1909	\$
	Bruce Bollick, CPA 254-718-7299	\$
	Salado Creek Dental 254-308-2027	\$
	Vista Real Estate 254-231-0209	\$
76	Salado Civic Center 254-947-5479	\$
81	Salado Wine Seller and Salado Winery Co. 254-947-8011	D
82	St. Joseph's Episcopal Church 254-947-3160	C
84	Old Town Salado The Flower Shop 254-444-0277	\$
	The Rose & Bee 512-975-8000	S
85	Wild Texas Cowgirl 512-201-9702	S
	Salado Post Office 254-947-5322	\$
86	Bill Bartlett - Century 21 254-947-5050	\$
87	The Personal Wealth Coach 254-947-1111	\$
90	Presbyterian Church of Salado 254-308-2023	C
91	Troy Smith Financial Services 254-947-0376	\$
92	Salado Sculpture Garden	A
96	Salado Plaza Ace Pest Control 254-947-4222	\$
	Anytime Fitness Salado 254-947-1063	\$
	Integrity Rehab 254-699-3933	\$
	Salado's Hair Shop 254-421-5173	\$
	Salado Village Voice 254-947-5321	\$
97	Brookshire Brothers 254-947-8922	S
100	Salado Public Library 254-947-9191	C
110	Mel's Gourmet Delights & Pastry 254-935-7080	D
113	Salado Church of Christ 254-947-5241	C
126	Cowboy's Barbecue 254-947-5700	D
130	Village Spirits 254-947-7117	S
132	Broecker Funeral Home 254-947-0066	\$
134	The Dog Spot 254-947-3647	\$
135	Carus Dental 254-947-8067	\$
136	Salado Schools & Stadium Village Church of Salado 972-978-2239	C
139	Cedar Valley Baptist Church 254-947-0148	C
Not Shown on the Shopping Map		
	3C Cowboy Fellowship 254-947-7211	C
	Grace Church 254-947-5917	C
	Mill Creek Country Club 254-947-5698	V
	JD's Truck Stop and Grill 254-947-5228	S/D



Historical Markers in Salado

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| 6. Salado Historic College Hill | 25. The A.J. Rose Mansion | 35. Salado Masonic Lodge #296 | 61. Historic Lenticular Bridge |
| 8. Shady Villa Hotel (Stagecoach Inn) | 26. Old Methodist Chapel | 45. The Anderson House | 49. The Vickrey House |
| 8. Main Street Bridge | 27. Caskey-Hendricks House | 46. Old Saloon | 76. Boles-Aiken & Denman Cabins |
| 16. Barber-Berry Mercantile | 28. Dr. McKie Place (Twelve Oaks) | 48. The Norton-Orgain House | 77. The Robert B. Halley House |
| 23. The Baines House | 29. Alexander's Distillery | 50. The Barton House | 79. The Reed Cabin |
| 24. Historic Dipping Vats | 30. First Baptist Church | 51. The Levi Tenney House | 100. The Josiah Fowler House |
| | 31. The Tyler House | 55. The Armstrong Adams House | |

Village of Salado Calendar of Events



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Monday thru Saturday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Mondays
Bikes & Brews, 6 p.m. at Barrow Brewing.
Floor practice at Salado Masonic Lodge #296, 95 S. Church St., 6:30 p.m. except on Stated Meeting nights.
Trivia every Monday at Chupacabra, 7 p.m.

Tuesdays
Tuesday Night Prix Fixe at Alexander's Craft Cocktails + Kitchen. \$14.95 for entree, dessert and glass of wine. Prix Fixe menu changes weekly. Visit Alexander's Facebook page for weekly updates on Prix Fixe.

Wednesdays
Storytime with Ms. April, Salado Public Library, 11 a.m.
Guest food truck day at Barrow Brewing Co., 108 Royal St. 4-9 p.m.

Tastes of the World at The Barton House Restaurant, 5-9 p.m. Menu changes each week. Call 254-947-0441 for more information.
Vinyl Nite with Shannon at Barrow Brewing Co., 5 p.m.
Salado Church of Christ will show video series from Focus on the Family entitled The Truth Project, 6:30 p.m., at the church. Discussion will follow each showing in the 12-week series through the months of June, July and August.

Thursdays
Storytime with Ms. April, Salado Public Library, 11 a.m.
Open Mic Night with Dustin Brown, 6 p.m., Barrow Brewing Co.
Bikes & Brews, 6 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co.
Run4Beer Group meets at 6:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co.

Fridays
Live Music at Chupacabra Craft Beers, 7 p.m.
Live Music at Barrow Brewing Co. 7:30 p.m.

Fridays-Sundays
All Day Gourmet food tasting, Wild Texas Cowgirl, 642A N. Main St., Blue & White House. Open late Fri & Sat! @WildTexasCowgirl-Google Us!

Saturdays
Farmers Market at Barrow Brewing Co. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. on the grounds.
Live Music at Chupacabra Craft Beer and Kitchen, 7 p.m.
Live Music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7:30 p.m.

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

June 1-July 2
Salado Junior High School Boys Eagle Performance Camp, 9:30-10:45 a.m., Salado High School, Mondays through Thursdays, \$75. Call 254-947-6970 or email alan.haire@saladoisd.org to register.

June 1-July 16
Lady Eagles Performance Camp for incoming seventh through 12th graders, Salado Middle School weight room, 8-10 a.m., \$75 Call 254-947-6970 or email diane.konarik@saladoisd.org to register.

June 1-July 29
Salado High School Boys Eagle Performance Camp, 7:30-9:15 a.m., Salado High

School weight room, Mondays through Thursdays, \$75. Call 254-947-6970 or email alan.haire@saladoisd.org to register.

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

June 3
Village of Salado Aldermen meeting, 6:30 p.m., 301 N. Stagecoach Rd. Also cast via Zoom. Link will be posted at saladotx.gov 72 hours before meeting.

June 4
Soccer 3v3 World Cup Tournament, incoming Kindergarten through eighth graders, SHS Stadium, 6-8 p.m. \$25 per player. Call 254-947-6970 or email michael.goos@saladoisd.org to register.

June 4
First Friday Breakfast, 8:30-9:30 a.m., First Community Title Salado office, 40 N. Main St.

June 4
Slime Day at Salado Library, 5-8 year olds at 11 a.m. and 12 noon; 9-12 year olds at 3 and 4 p.m. Small groups. Pre-register at Facebook.

June 4
Live Music at Barrow Brewing, 7 p.m. Rogues Gallery.

June 4
Live Music at Chupacabra, Shady Villa, 8 p.m. Jason Heron

June 4-5
Blow Your Own mugs, tumbler or sippers for Father's Day. Ages 12+. Reservations at saladoglassworks.com.

June 4-6
All Day Gourmet food tasting, Wild Texas Cowgirl, 642A N. Main St., Blue & White House. Open late Fri & Sat! @WildTexasCowgirl-Google Us!

June 5
The Clothes Closet at Heart and Hands Ministries will be open 9-11 a.m., 213 Mill Creek Drive, #135. The closet has clothes, shoes, and coats for men, women, and children.

June 5
St. Joseph's Episcopal Church "Chip Your Pet" event, 9 a.m.- 1 p.m. at 881 N. Main

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June 5
Live Music at Barrow Brewing, 7 p.m. Chalkboard Poets.

June 5
Live Music at Chupacabra, Shady Villa, 7 p.m. Markus Miller.

June 6
Summer Lecture Series, 2 p.m. Barrow Brewing. Auntie Anne Beiler, the founder of Auntie Anne's Pretzels.

June 6
Live Music at Barrow Brewing, 4 p.m. Troy Stone.

June 6-10
Grace Church Salado Destination Dig Vacation Bible School, 6-8 p.m. at the church, 5798 FM 2484. Pre-register your children by visiting <https://gracesalado.com/events/vbs2021>.

June 7-10
Girls Basketball Camp 1 for incoming first through fifth graders, SHS Gym, 8-10 a.m. \$50 per camper. Call 254-947-6970 or email diane.konarik@saladoisd.org to register.

June 7-10
Girls Basketball Camp 2 for incoming sixth through ninth graders, SHS Gym, 11 a.m.-12:45 p.m. \$50 per camper. Call 254-947-6970 or email diane.konarik@saladoisd.org to register.

June 8
Fine China Luncheon by Salado Area Republican Women, Blue Heron at Tenroc. 10:45am. For information, contact Shirley Stephenson steppnup@embarqmail.com 254 338-5717.

June 9
Salado Church of Christ will show video series from Focus on the Family entitled The Truth Project, 6:30 p.m., at the church.

June 10
Snack Attack at Salado Library for 7-11 year olds at 5 p.m. Try snacks from around the world. Oreos taste testing, too! Pre-register at Facebook.

June 10
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Spindletap

June 11
Library After Hours for teens only. Come hang out after the library closes at 6 p.m. Snacks and fun.

June 11
Live Music at Chupacabra, Shady Villa, 8 p.m. Brandon Kent.

June 11-12
Blow Your Own mugs, tumbler or sippers for Father's Day. Ages 12+. Reservations at saladoglassworks.com.

June 11-13
All Day Gourmet food tasting, Wild Texas Cowgirl, 642A N. Main St., Blue & White House. Open late Fri & Sat! @WildTexasCowgirl-Google Us!

June 12
Asana & Ales Yoga at Barrow Brewing Co., 108 Royal St., 10 a.m.

June 12
Charley Crockett at Johnny's Outback, 301 Thomas Arnold Road. Gates open at 6, show starts at 7:45 p.m. Tickets are \$15 in advance for General Admission. Reserved Lawn Seating - \$25. Info and tickets at <https://johnnyssteaksandbbq.com>.

June 12
Tour of Gault site. Tickets are \$10/person; kids 10 years and under are free. All proceeds go to the Gault School of Archaeological Research. Registration is available on the museum website and payment can be made over the phone with the museum using a credit card.

June 12
Barrow Brewing Co., live music at 7 p.m. from The Western Express.

June 12
Live Music at Chupacabra, Shady Villa, 7 p.m. Tim Fralik.

June 13
Barrow Brewing Co., live music at 4 p.m. Amanda Brown.

June 15
Paint your own Hot Pink Flamingo with artist Michael Pritchett, 7:30 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co., \$50 includes supplies and beverage of your choice. Call for tickets, 469-877-0374.



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SHS speech wins state, Academic takes third

The Salado High School Speech and Debate Team won the Team Speech State Championship at the UIL State Speech Meet on May 25-26. There were 29 schools participating in the 4A meet.

Salado won the Team Speech State Championship by scoring 78 points. La Vernia High School was second with 73 points and Lindale was third with 40 points.

Connor Howard earned 15 points by winning the Persuasive Speaking competition.

Sawyer Bagley earned 12 points by placing second in LD Debate.

Jessica Young placed second in Prose Interpretation to earn 12 points.

Hunter Foster placed fourth in Informative Speaking, earning eight points.

Also participating at the State Meet were Lindsey Neas in Informative Speaking and Diego Romero in Poetry Interpretation.

Connor Howard earned 15 points earlier in the year by placing first in State in Congressional Debate.

Hunter Foster and Katy Bennet earned 16 points with their second place in State in Cross Exam Debate.

The Salado Speech and Debate Team will participate in three camps this summer: Camp Zebra at Grandview High School, Alamo City Institute of Debate and the Texas Speech & Debate Camp.

The Speech Team Score was added to the UIL Academic competitions that were held earlier in the month to give Salado a third place finish in the State in UIL Academics with a total of 144 points. Lindale won the State Academic Meet



Speech and Debate Team Members are (from left) Hunter Foster, Connor Howard, Lindsey Neas and Sawyer Bagley. (COURTESY PHOTO)

with 252 total points. Argyle was second with 233 total points.

Results for the Academic competitions are the following.

The Number Sense team placed second overall and Cooper Chambliss won first place in state in Number Sense with his score of 190 points. Trey Graham was sixth, 145 points; Ryan Novotny, 11th, 120 points and Paige Fariss, 21st, 36 points.

Calculator Application team placed third overall. William Won, seventh, 250 points, Ashlyn Fossett, ninth, 238 points, Paige Fariss, 11th, 217 points, Ayham Chtay, 19th, 133 points.

Mathematics team placed fourth overall. William Won, eighth place, 176 points; Amy Manning, 13th place, 158 points; Aubrey Watkins, 15th place, 146 points and Aaron Trela, 19th place, 100 points.

Kimberly Kendall placed third in Spelling and Vocabulary with a score of 83.

Madeline Sunshine



Jessica Young

placed sixth in Spelling and Vocabulary with a score of 81.

Diego Romero placed third in Feature Writing.

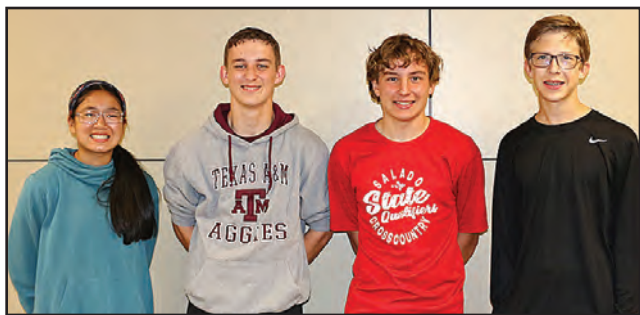
UIL Coordinators are JJ Jonas and Tim Cook. UIL Academic and Speech Coaches are Dennis Cabaniss, Tim Cook, Pansy Cornet, JJ Jonas, Kenny Mann, Kyra Mann, Brian Osborne, Scott Ringo and Tiffani Walthrop.



Kimberly Kendall



Madeline Sunshine



Number Sense team: (From left) Paige Fariss, Cooper Chambliss, Trey Graham, Ryan Novotny.



Calculator Applications Team: (From left) Ashlyn Fossett, Paige Fariss, William Won, Ayham Chtay.



Mathematics Team: (From left) Amy Manning, William Won, Aaron Trela, Aubrey Watkins.

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Lady Eagles softball players honored

Salado Lady Eagles softball players, coaches and parents gathered at the Yellow House Bed and Breakfast for their annual awards banquet.

The evening started by recognizing the younger players on the Junior Varsity team, which went undefeated.

The team awards, which were voted on by the players, were presented to the following players:

Freshman Lexi Dudeczka was named the Offensive MVP. As the lead-off batter for the Lady Eagles, Dudeczka had 106 plate appearances in 31 games. She had 86 at-bats with 37 hits, including 34 singles, two doubles and a triple. Her on-base average was .538 and her batting average was .430. She scored 37 runs and knocked in five RBIs. She reached on 19 walks and reached on errors seven times.

Second baseman Senior Amanda Cantu was named the Defensive MVP. Cantu had 69 chances at a play during the season. She converted 61 of them into putting runners out. She had six defensive assists and converted a double play. She had a fielding percentage of 0.971 on the season.

Senior catcher Rylee Oborski was named the Team MVP. Defensively, Oborski had 122 chances at a play, converting 116 of them into putting runners out. She had six assists and a double play while committing no errors. Her fielding percentage was a perfect 1.000. Oborski had 125 plate appearances in 34 games. She had 108 at-bats with 47 hits, including 28 singles, eight doubles, three triples and eight homers (leading the team). She led the team with 34 RBIs and scoring 45 runs. Her on base average was .504 and her batting average was .435 for the year. She had a slugging percentage of .787.

Freshman pitcher Hannah Hudson and sophomore third baseman Harley Drouillard were named the Most Improved players for the season. Hudson pitched 54 innings for Salado in 15 games. She had seven starts. She had an ERA of 5.056 on the year with 32 strikeouts, 10 walks and 43 runs scored, including 39 earned runs. She gave up 77 hits.

Drouillard had 84 chances at play at third base, putting out 75 runners, while committing just six errors for a fielding percentage of .929 on the year. She also had 106 plate appearances in 33 games with 93 at-bats. She had 32 hits, including 20 singles, nine doubles, two triples and a homerun for 18 RBIs and 25 runs scored. Her batting percentage was .344 and her on base percentage was .413.

The following were named to the District 19-4A Academic All District Team: Seniors Amanda Cantu, Rylee Oborski and Reese Preston; Juniors Victoria Giganti and Gabby Vidare; Sophomores Katey Bartek, Brooke McLaurin and Angel Van De Plas and Freshmen Lexi Dudeczka, Hannah Hudson and Bri Waters.

In addition, Oborski was named the District 19-4A Catcher of the Year.

Sophomore Shortstop Katey Bartek, Freshman Utility Player Lexi Dudeczka and Senior Outfielder Reese Preston were all named to the 19-4A First Team All-District squad.

Bartek had 104 plate ap-

pearances in 28 games. She had 83 at-bats, with 36 hits, 20 singles, 12 doubles, two triples and two homers for 30 RBIs and 30 runs scored. She had a batting average of .434 and an on base percentage of .548. Bartek had 94 chances to make defensive plays, putting out 79 runners and converting two double plays. She committed nine errors in the field. Her fielding percentage was .904.

Preston had 104 plate appearances in 33 games with 89 at-bats. She had 32 hits, including 25 singles, six doubles and a triple to knock in 23 RBIs and score 19 runs herself. She had a .360 batting average and an on base percentage of .437. Preston had 25 chances in the field, putting out 21 runners while committing two errors for a fielding percentage of .920.

Named to the Second Team All District were Amanda Cantu and Harley Drouillard.

Receiving Honorable Mention were junior outfielders Victoria Giganti and Gabby Vidare, sophomore first base Angel Van De Plas and Freshmen pitchers Hannah Hudson and Bri Waters.

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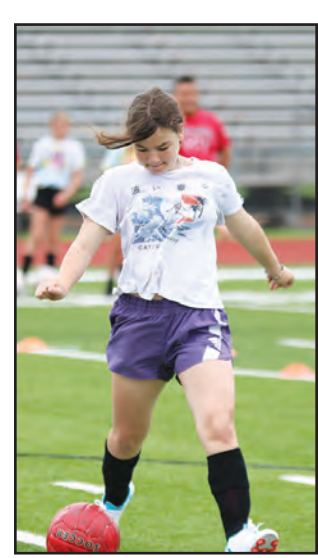


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Nic Sibbitt, two-time all district tight end for the Salado Eagles, signed a letter of intent to play football at the University of Mary Hardin Baylor. He is shown above with parents Steve Sibbitt and Ellen Sibbitt. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

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USDA Celebrates National Homeownership Month Activities and Events

WASHINGTON, June 1, 2021 – Today, Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack kicked off National Homeownership Month, as part of a nationwide celebration to highlight U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) efforts to provide access to affordable housing for rural Americans.

"Safe, energy-efficient, affordable housing is essential to the vitality of communities in rural America," said Secretary Vilsack. "The American Rescue Plan is providing critical relief to rural homeowners and helping to keep more Americans in their homes. USDA is committed to using our resources to help support healthy, resilient and more equitable communities through homeownership."

Since 1949, USDA has helped 4.7 million families and individuals buy homes in rural areas. USDA Rural Development supports rural homeownership through the following programs:

The Single Family Housing Direct Home Loan Program provides loans directly to families and individuals so they can buy or build homes in rural America. In its lifetime, this program has helped 2.2 million families and individuals purchase a home. Learn more at <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/single-family-housing-direct-home-loans>

Through its Single Family Housing Guaranteed Loan Program, USDA has partnered with more than 4,000 private lending institutions, backing their loans to help nearly 2 million families and individuals buy homes in rural areas since the program was created in 1991. Learn more at <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/single-family-housing-guaranteed-loan-program>

The Home Repair Loan and Grant Program provides loans and grants to help families and individuals repair and modernize homes,

making them safer, healthier places to live. Since it started in 1950, the program has helped nearly 434,000 families improve the quality of their homes. Learn more at <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/single-family-housing-repair-loans-grants>.

The Mutual Self-Help Housing Grant Program provides grants to qualified organizations to help them carry out local self-help housing construction projects. Through this program, USDA has worked with nearly 230 organizations to provide a unique opportunity for families and individuals to lower the overall purchase price of a new home by investing "sweat equity" into its construction. Learn more at <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/mutual-self-help-housing-technical-assistance-grants>.

To learn more about USDA homeownership programs, please visit the Single Family Housing program webpage at <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/all-programs/single-family-housing-programs>.

You may also contact Daniel Torres, Acting State Director for the Texas Rural Development State Office, located at Federal Building, Suite 102, 101 South Main Temple, TX 76501. You may call the office at 254-742-9700 or visit www.rd.usda.gov/tx for more information.

Under the Biden-Harris Administration, Rural Development provides loans and grants to help expand economic opportunities, create jobs and improve the quality of life for millions of Americans in rural areas. This assistance supports infrastructure improvements; business development; housing; community facilities such as schools, public safety and health care; and high-speed internet access in rural, Tribal and high-poverty areas.

NOTICE of Federal Program Planning for Salado ISD

The Salado Independent School District is currently in the planning process for the 2021-2022 ESSA Consolidated Federal Application for the following programs:

- Title I, Part A – Improving Basic Programs
- Title II, Part A – Supporting Effective Instruction
- Title III, Part A – English Language Acquisition, Enrichment, Academic Achievement
- Title IV, Part A – Student Support and Academic Enrichment

Campus eligibility for Title I, Part A is based on low income data and academic need. **Private Nonprofit Schools and/or Homeschools with government nonprofit status** that serve students living within Salado ISD boundaries and that are interested in receiving program information on participation and/or providing input into program planning for services for eligible students may contact Brandy Stanford, Chief Financial Officer, at 254-947-6904 or 601 North Main Street, Salado, Texas 76571

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NOTICE Salado ISD is in the Federal Program planning process for the 2020-2023 Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Grant (ESSER III)

The ESSER III Grant is federally funded through the American Rescue Plan (ARP). The intent and purpose of the ARP ESSER III funding is to help safely reopen and sustain the safe operation of schools and address the impact of the coronavirus pandemic on students.

The ESSER III is a two-year grant that can carry over remaining funds to a third year through use of the Tydings Amendment. The Grant requires two plans to be created and/or revised and submitted to the Texas Education Agency:

- Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan
- ESSER III Use of Funds Plan

Salado ISD encourages our community's input into these plans through a survey which will be posted on the district website (www.saladoisd.org) along with the two DRAFT plans on June 8, 2021 and will be open for public comment through June 28, 2021. Data gathered will be taken into consideration for final revisions to these plans.

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Salado Fire Department Report May 23-29

Date	Address	Incident Type
05/23/2021	INTERSTATE 35, Bell County	No Incident Found on Arrival
05/23/2021	INTERSTATE 35, Bell County	Motor Vehicle Accident
05/24/2021	CEDAR KNOB CHURCH RD, Bell County	Smoke Detector Activation
05/25/2021	INDIAN TRL, Salado	Fire Alarm - False Call
05/25/2021	SALADO CREEK PL, Salado	Dispatched & Cancelled en route
05/26/2021	INDIAN TRL, Bell County	Sick Person
05/26/2021	LYNDAL LN, Bell County	Unknown Status - Medical Alarm
05/26/2021	ROMBERG RD, Bell County	Fire Alarm - False Call
05/26/2021	ARMSTRONG RD, Bell County	Falls
05/26/2021	WALKER CIR, Salado	Sick Person
05/26/2021	STAGECOACH RD, Bell County	Psychiatric / Abnormal Behavior
05/27/2021	IH 35 SERVICE RD, Bell County	Difficulty Breathing
05/27/2021	NATASHA ST, Salado	Hemorrhage / Laceration
05/27/2021	GUESS DR, Salado	Falls
05/27/2021	COLLINS CREEK DR, Bell County	Lift Assist
05/28/2021	DOVES LANDING CT, Bell County	Smoke Detector Activation
05/28/2021	MAIN ST, Salado	No Incident Found on Arrival
05/28/2021	RIDGEWOOD DR, Bell County	Heart Problems
05/28/2021	ELM GROVE SPUR, Bell County	Difficulty Breathing
05/28/2021	SALADO SPRINGS CIR, Bell County	Stroke
05/28/2021	CEDAR KNOB CHURCH RD, Bell County	Difficulty Breathing
05/29/2021	MAIN ST, Salado	Propane Gas Leak
05/29/2021	INTERSTATE 35, Bell County	Grass Fire
05/29/2021	PARADISE LN, Bell County	Stroke



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