

CUWCD calls for 30% water use reduction

Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District (CUWCD) issued a memo to all well owners in the Edwards BFZ Aquifer, asking them to reduce water usage as the Edwards BFZ is experiencing significant draw-downs in monitor wells and a drought trigger-based rate of reduction in Spring flows below 3.402 cubic feet per second (cfs).

With the reduction in Spring flows below 3.402 cubic feet per second, the Drought Status Report enters Stage 3 Serious Concern. Streamflow on Salado Creek was registered at 3.04 cfs on July 12, 2023. By contrast, streamflow was recorded at 6.82 cfs on July 12, 2022. In the July 17 report of streamflow at Salado Creek, the highest measure was on June 17 at 15 cfs, compared to the 3.04 cfs recorded on July 12. In the same time period in 2022, the highest recorded streamflow was almost 50 cfs following a large rain event June 27, 2022.

The Drought Status Report reflects that the Precipitation Deficit Index (PDI) as of July 17 was at 202.433 acre feet of springflow in the last 30 days. If the 30-day PDI drops below 200 acre feet of springflow, it could trigger Stage 4: Critical Stage with a recommended 40% usage reduction.

"Well owners failing to conserve their precious resource is often evident by expansive lawns and excess groundwater use," stated CUWCD General Manager Dirk Aaron in the notification. "The aquifer is not just overburdened by large volume users but also by private well owners. We strongly urge all well owners of this

sensitive aquifer system to reduce all outside water use to less than 1,500 square feet of irrigated turf and reduce your entire household use by 30%."

Among the highest volume users is Salado WSC, which gets half of its water, some 2 million gallons per day, from groundwater out of the Edwards BFS aquifer.

"The best way to conserve is to only water your lawns once a week during early morning hours," he added.

Aaron asks that all well owners reduce their water usage by doing the following:

- Limit watering of landscape to only one every five to seven days.
- Agriculture and horticulture are exempted from this measure, but are encouraged to reduce tree, plant and crop watering by 30%.
- Only water landscape at night between the hours of 7 p.m. and 7 a.m.
- No filling of ponds, tanks, lakes, reservoirs, swimming pools or other surface impoundments for holding water.
- Check for and correct all plumbing leaks.
- Re-use or re-circulate water whenever possible.
- Wash vehicles at car wash only as needed.
- No washing of buildings, driveways, streets, patios or other outdoor surfaces.
- Keep swimming pools, landscape or decorative ponds and fountains covered (where possible).
- Water livestock in leak-proof troughs. Pumping water into ponds is discouraged.
- Water for dust control only when required by law.

Earlier in July, Salado

WSC informed its customers that due to low levels at Stillhouse Lake, that it was entering Stage 3 of its Drought Contingency, which allows outdoor watering one day a week (odd customers on Tuesday and even customers on Wednesday). The Salado WSC Drought Contingency Plan allows for outdoor watering on those days from the hours of midnight-10 a.m. and 8 p.m.-midnight. Salado WSC Drought Contingency Plan states that outdoor watering between the hours of 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. is considered wasteful watering due to severe evaporation.

Clearwater UWCD <http://cuwcd.org> is the groundwater conservation district whose political boundaries are that of Bell County. "We have the full statutory authority to regulate groundwater per Chapter 36 Texas Groundwater Code," Aaron stated.

"If you want to know more about your private well go to our online system at cuwcd.org and view the wells, driller logs, and data related to your respective community," he said.

"We offer to you, as a well owner and property owner, our services for verifying the condition of your groundwater well, the well's regulatory status with our district, free water quality screening/testing, and offer free water level measurements of your well," Aaron said.

"We encourage you to visit our office at any time to review our groundwater management process, understand our property protection efforts, and to meet our staff," Aaron said. The CUWCD office is located at 700 Kennedy Ct. in Belton.



Salado Historical Society is working to move the Old Church Place to the grounds of the Salado Civic Center. (Courtesy photo)

Salado Historical Society working to save & move 115-year-old Church of Christ

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The Salado Historical Society (SHS) is asking for help from the Salado community to help save the old historic Church of Christ building at 226 N. Main Street in Salado for future use. The "Old Church Place" is 115 years old. It was built in 1908 to replace the Church of Christ's original 1875 building that burned. Later, the 1908 building was sold and used as a residential home for over 30 years. The Church of Christ purchased the property again three years ago and has offered it to the SHS if it can be moved and repaired for the use of the community. Salado ISD will consider letting us move the building next to the log cabins on their property. The building would be moved to the location of the current ball field. The SHS is in the process of developing building plans for this move.

The SHS's charter is to preserve historic properties

in Salado. This particular property is special to Salado's history. It is one of three churches [First Baptist, Methodist chapel and the Church of Christ] established by early pioneers that has been recognized by the Texas Historical Commission with official markers. The old Methodist Chapel is the only one of the three that is preserved today. These churches are a visible reminder that the early pioneers who settled Salado brought with them a strong practicing faith to anchor the town that was growing along the banks of Salado Creek.

The "Old Church Place" building has maintained its architectural integrity and character from the early days of Salado's founding. The Texas Historical Commission criteria for preserving a building (i.e., age, architectural integrity, and historical significance) is in line with our intention to preserve this building. It is important to preserve our history for those who come after us so that they know what early

Salado was like. Previously, the SHS has preserved other historic sites here in Salado, including the Denman cabin and moving and reconstructing the Boles-Aiken log cabin behind the SISD offices. We will continue to identify other sites and buildings that contribute to Salado's history.

The SHS needs funding to move forward with a large project like this. The Salado Church of Christ has committed \$10,000. The SHS also will commit funds for this project and apply for grant funding. We hope to raise enough funds to pay for the move, new sewer, water, and electrical hook-ups and do the necessary renovations, including adding a bathroom, kitchen, and storeroom. This building will be available for use by the people of Salado. The SHS will keep our community regularly updated on our progress.

Salado Historical Society, Inc. is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Contributions to this organization are tax deductible.

Sales tax rebates continue to outpace 2022 payments

Bell County showed a slight increase in sales tax revenues compared to the previous year, with all but one of the 11 cities that levy sales taxes showing increase in their July sales tax checks compared to July 2022. Six cities showed double digit percentage increases this month.

Village of Salado showed a 1.87% over last July. The Village received \$67,256.66 compared to \$66,018.34 in July 2022. For the year, the Village has received \$475,705.35, which is 7.84% more than the \$452,213.48 paid through July 2022.

The Village is one of three Bell County cities to levy a 1-cent sales tax, while seven other Bell County cities levy

a 1.5 cent sales tax and Rogers levies a 1.25 cent sales tax.

The Salado Public Library District and Bell County each levy a half-cent sales tax.

For that half-cent tax, Salado Public Library District received a \$54,784.15 July check, which was 3.32% less than last July's payment of \$56,668.30. For the year, the Library District has received \$383,090.17, which is 1.77% more than the \$376,423.50 paid through July 2022.

Bell County received \$2.72 million in July, an increase of 2.14% over the \$2.67 million paid in July 2022. For the year, Bell County has received \$19.28 million, which is 8.18%

Sales tax rebates for July 2023 to Bell County taxing entities

Entity	Rate	July 2023	July 2022	Change	YTD 2023	YTD 2022	Change
Belton	1.500%	\$759,605.02	\$738,454.55	2.86%	\$5,171,934.14	\$4,829,233.49	7.09%
Harker Heights	1.500%	\$957,271.78	\$863,619.40	10.84%	\$6,523,143.29	\$6,182,936.81	5.50%
Holland	1.000%	\$10,190.83	\$8,913.12	14.33%	\$82,585.24	\$68,968.46	19.74%
Killeen	1.500%	\$2,759,520.92	\$2,692,070.10	2.50%	\$20,166,635.35	\$19,284,899.02	4.57%
L.R. Academy	1.000%	\$10,454.88	\$9,196.10	13.68%	\$81,163.46	\$75,419.94	7.61%
Morgans Point	1.500%	\$27,791.27	\$24,199.52	14.84%	\$200,983.81	\$194,886.23	3.12%
Nolanville	1.500%	\$126,669.31	\$191,880.31	-33.98%	\$947,082.80	\$1,075,358.94	-11.92%
Rogers	1.250%	\$23,155.71	\$8,435.89	174.49%	\$92,453.07	\$61,577.07	50.14%
Salado	1.000%	\$67,256.66	\$66,018.34	1.87%	\$475,705.35	\$451,213.48	5.42%
Temple	1.500%	\$2,963,635.56	\$2,697,648.09	9.85%	\$21,004,785.63	\$18,777,298.11	11.86%
Troy	1.500%	\$82,585.47	\$69,278.80	19.20%	\$601,059.13	\$460,717.26	30.46%
Bell	0.500%	\$2,724,832.83	\$2,667,706.14	2.14%	\$19,281,041.08	\$17,821,907.80	8.18%
Salado Library	0.500%	\$54,784.15	\$56,668.30	-3.32%	\$383,090.17	\$376,423.50	1.77%

more than the \$17.82 million paid through July 2022

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar sent cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts \$1.1 billion in local sales tax allocations for July, 7.5 percent more

than in July 2022.

These allocations are based on sales made in May by businesses that report tax monthly.

The comptroller sent rebates totaling \$697.5 million to Texas Cities, an increase

of 6.4% over last July.

The comptroller sent \$236.4 million to transit systems for July, an increase of 7.3% over July 2022.

Counties received \$68.5 million in sales tax rebate checks, an increase of 11.0%

over July 2022.

Special purpose districts received \$105.4 million in sales tax rebate checks for July, 13.9% more than last year.

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Despite inflation, US economy powers on

The Markets

The S&P 500 Stock Index (SPX), representing the U.S. Stock Market, rose nicely on Monday and Tuesday of the week that ended on the 21st, but then seemed to think better of it as the week progressed and settled back down to close the week at 4536.34, up 0.69% for the week. Still, the SPX is now up about 103% from March of 2020, only about three and a third years ago, up about 27% from last October, up over 18% so far this year and is over 40% higher than it was three years ago. Still, we must acknowledge it also remains down about 5% from January of 2022 so all investors are not smiling. This was one of those weeks when the differences between the indexes was stark. The Dow Jones Industrial Average (DJIA) rose all week and was up 2.08%, closing at 35227.69 but is up only 6.28% this year. The other index that we do track, the CRSP US Mid Cap Value Index, rose 1.93% for the week, closing at 2485.39. That rise puts it ahead 6.23% this year and only down 4.31% from its record high in early 2022.

The benchmark ten-year U.S. Treasury note yield moved very little for the week, and closed at 3.84%, a move of only 1/100 of a percent since last week. Not much changed in the shorter end of the Treasury market as well. All Treasury maturities less than or equal to one year were yielding well above an annualized 5% and from there, the further out the maturity date, the lower the yields trended. West Texas Intermediate crude oil (WTI) continued its slow upward creep that it has exhibited over the past five weeks, ending the work week at \$76.83, up about 2.26% for the week but has risen about 11% since mid-June. It is still about 20% lower than it was a year ago.

The Economy

There was an abundance of smaller bits and pieces of economic data released this week and they uniformly indicated that the U.S. economy is doing quite well. Retail sales, a measure of spending at stores, online, and in restaurants, rose a

Market & Economic Update

by Jeffrey W. McClure



seasonally adjusted 0.2% in June after posting a 5% rise in May. Most of that rise was goods purchased online, at furniture stores, and electronics stores. Perhaps even more significant though were the anecdotal reports of retailers cutting prices in their stores. Both Tesla and Ford announced significant price cuts on their electric vehicles too. Those price reductions are noteworthy because they are signs that inflation may well be behind us, and we could be seeing the early stages of disinflation.

Moody's analytics is now forecasting that the second quarter U.S. Gross Domestic Product increase will come in at 2.2%. That would be consistent with the revised first quarter growth. They also reported that consumer inflation expectations in the U.S. are holding steady at about 2.3%. That may be another sign that the Federal Reserve is having success. As the Fed raised interest rates over the past year, there has been very little indication that the increases slowed businesses in a national rush to expand capabilities, and higher rates have certainly not slowed job creation or consumer spending. Since reducing building activity, business expansion, and consumer spending are the classic and obvious desired results of raising rates, what are the rate rises good for? The answer may be that the headlines and broadcast news reports of the Federal Reserve hiking interest rates higher and faster than any time in the past quarter century have impressed the U.S. consumer. That impression may be what is causing the reduction in inflation expectations. Because inflation has a history of following what consumers expect it to be, the Fed rates rises may only be affecting consumer attitudes. If so, then the Fed is getting the job done because reducing consumer inflation expectations is

probably the single biggest factor in trying to control the inflation monster.

Recessions are either caused by something known as "the credit cycle" or some external event. Our last recession, back in 2020 was caused by an external event, the pandemic. Before that, the 2008-2009 recession was a classic interest rate cycle recession as were almost all the recessions we have seen in the past several decades. Yes, the proximate trigger in 2008 was the speculative real estate collapse, but interest rates had been rising for more than a year before the recession hit and the underlying cause was a failure of the credit markets. In the current economy, despite the dramatic rise in short term rates, longer-term rates have hardly budged and as JP-Morgan Chase, Citigroup, and Wells Fargo reported earnings after the close last week, it was obvious that we are not seeing the interest rate issues that historically have led to a recession. Loan rates have not gone up as much as expected and the number of non-performing and write-off loans were well below what we saw before the pandemic. In essence, the banks' earnings reports were one more piece of evidence that we are not about to slip into a recession.

Meanwhile, the Chinese economy seem to be balanced on the edge of a very real downturn. In the United Kingdom, inflation has declined to 7.9% and in the Eurozone economies inflation has dropped to 5.5% from last fall's 10.6%, even as both economies are experiencing a recession. Bear that in mind if you are tempted to complain about our economy. Inflation was, and is far worse across the Atlantic than here, and rather than being in a recession, the U.S. economy is powering its way forward.

What's preventing mental health providers like me from helping kids with autism

By DR. HANNA RUE

Autism is more prevalent than ever, according to data recently published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Yet, it's growing harder for children with autism to access the mental health care they need.

Fifteen million Americans could lose Medicaid now that the COVID-19 public health emergency has ended, including many children with autism who have come to rely on Medicaid for care.

State leaders must do everything they can to make sure that kids with autism continue to have access to the care they need.

There is no cure for autism, but certain therapies can help children with autism communicate, socialize, and improve their quality of life. Those therapies are the heart of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA), the gold-standard therapy for autism. I work with kids with autism as a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA). I've witnessed ABA help nonverbal children talk for the first time. I've seen children learn how

to express their frustration and communicate their joy because of ABA.

But there aren't enough of us to meet the growing demand for ABA.

Between 2010 and 2020, demand for ABA services grew over 4,000%. Yet in 2021, more than half of all counties in the United States didn't have a single BCBA. Some 300 of those counties don't even border a county that has a BCBA.

Because of this shortage of providers, those of us in the field are stretched thin. The average workday for a BCBA is 12 hours. Long hours contribute to burnout. Turnover rates exceed 30% annually.

But it's not just providers who struggle. For children who lose coverage or change providers, lengthy waitlists make finding a new BCBA difficult. Wait times for care can be weeks, months, or years, depending on where a family lives. If a child is forced to pause ABA therapy, the result can be months of lost progress -- or even a regression in behavior.

Commercial insurers, meanwhile, are erecting bar-

riers between kids and mental and behavioral health services. When children lose access to ABA, they are at risk for losing skills they may never regain, jeopardizing their best chance to become independent adults.

State leaders must ensure that insurers don't arbitrarily limit coverage of ABA by creating improper guidelines, restricting beneficiaries to narrow provider networks, or imposing administrative burdens on providers who should be focused on patients.

If insurers limit how many hours or days of ABA therapy are reimbursable, families will struggle to get the care their children need.

Many of those at risk of losing coverage for ABA routinely face inequity in our healthcare system. State leaders must ensure that the end of continuous Medicaid coverage does not also mark the end of robust access to effective mental health care for tens of thousands of kids with autism.

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The military doesn't need diversity, equity and inclusion

Rich Lowry



House Republicans voted to end diversity, equity and inclusion programs and personnel at the Pentagon, and one wonders whether the U.S. military will ever be the same.

The provision was one of a number of anti-"woke" measures in the House-passed National Defense Authorization Act -- including reversing the Pentagon's new abortion-enabling paid travel and leave policies -- that have occasioned sputtering outrage.

According to National Security Council spokesman John Kirby, there's no way that President Joe Biden would ever sign such legislation "that would put our troops at greater risk or put our readiness at risk."

America's leaders used to worry that we wouldn't have enough stopping power to defend against Soviet tanks potentially pouring through the Fulda Gap or a survivable nuclear force in the event of a nuclear first strike; now they worry servicemembers might not be learning enough about microaggressions.

Last year, Bishop Garrison, serving at the time as the senior advisor to the Secretary of Defense for human capital and diversity, equity and inclusion, said that diversity, equity and inclusion needs to be part of every decision that the military makes -- it's a "force multiplier," and will make the military more lethal.

It's not clear how this could possibly be true. Is the Marine operating a howitzer going to be more proficient if he's familiar with the work of Ibram X. Kendi? Will our fighter pilots be better at aerial warfare if they think the U.S. is defined by systemic racism? Are our submariners lacking so long as they don't know that it's supposedly

offensive to ask someone with an accent where he or she is from?

If diversity training is so crucial to a fighting force, maybe we should stop sending so many munitions to Ukraine and ship the embattled country PowerPoint presentations on equity instead?

The U.S. military has been a model for decades of how to build a racially diverse institution that is united by common purpose and standards. That doesn't mean it is perfect -- nothing is -- but it was notably diverse long before anyone thought it needed diversity, equity and inclusion training.

Thankfully, by its standards, the Pentagon doesn't spend much on diversity, equity and inclusion. It requested just \$115 million in 2023, although that was an increase of nearly \$30 million.

This suggests that the personnel and programming around diversity, equity and inclusion can be easily axed, and they should be.

Diversity, equity and inclusion is a scammy fad that has ballooned into a more than \$3 billion industry even though there's no solid evidence that it works, and it may well make things worse.

As the left-of-center author and podcaster Jesse Singal writes, diversity, equity and inclusion programs often "seem geared more toward sparking a revolutionary re-understanding of race relations than solving organizations' specific

problems. And they often blame white people -- or their culture -- for harming people of color."

Why does the military, of all institutions, need that? At the very least, diversity, equity and inclusion is another administrative burden. A recent report on the fighting culture of the U.S. Navy prepared at the direction of Arkansas Sen. Tom Cotton and several Republican congressmen noted that "non-combat curricula consume Navy resources, clog inboxes, create administrative quagmires, and monopolize precious training time."

At worst, it is injecting a poisonous ideology into a fighting force that needs to look past racial and other divisions and needs to believe in this country's worth.

Those who want diversity, equity and inclusion in the armed forces either can't distinguish between the military and an elite liberal arts college, or want it to be corrupted by the same rotten ideas.

House Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries said the National Defense Authorization Act shows "that extreme MAGA Republicans are willing to even detonate the ability of our military to do what it needs to do to keep us safe."

To the contrary, it is progressives who want the military to bend to their ideological imperatives. We aren't going to deter or -- if it comes to that -- defeat an adversary like China with diversity, equality and inclusion trainers or self-flagellating nonsense about our society's supposed irredeemable flaws.

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Mescher weds Gray

Corban Mescher of Salado and Zachary Gray of Allen were united in holy matrimony on July 1, 2023 at First Baptist Church of Salado with Rev. Kaleb West officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Scott and Corey Mescher of Salado and is a 2019 graduate of Salado High School. She is attending Texas Women's University, working towards a Master's degree in Speech Pathology.

The groom is the son of Bill and Dianne Gray of Allen. He is employed at Flower Mound Pool Care and Maintenance.

Ellie Mescher of Salado and sister of the bride served as Maid of Honor. Bridesmaids were Caroline Crawford, of Tyler and cousin of the bride; Peyton Washburn, of Terrell and college friend of the bride; Cassidy Ullrich, of Katy and the bride's college friend; and Sarah Gray, of Allen and sister of the groom.

Jackson Vandover, of Mineola and friend of the groom, served as Best Man. Groomsmen were Kaleb Powers, of Colmesneil and friend of groom; Noah Mescher, of Salado and brother of bride; Spencer Gray, of Allen and brother of groom and Will Gray, of Allen and brother of groom.

Flowergirls were Carolin and Emmerson Keith, of Nacogdoches and friends of the bride and groom.

A rehearsal dinner was



Corban Gray, neé Mescher. (PHOTO COURTESY OF JANET MADDEX)

held at Salado Museum, hosted by Bill and Dianne Gray.

A reception followed the

ceremony at Tenroc Ranch. The couple honeymooned in the Smokey Mountains of Tennessee,

including a special trip to Dollywood. The couple will live in

Denton.

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SALADO SENIOR CENTER AUGUST ACTIVITIES

EVERY MONDAY & THURSDAY

9:00-2:00 — Coffee Corner
 9:00-3:00 — Game Time

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

MONDAY, AUGUST 7th

9:00-10:00 — Exercise Class (Chair Yoga w/ Joette)
 9:30-12:00 — Bridge
 10:00-12:00 — Dominoes 42 Game
 10:00-12:00 — Learn to Play Mahjong
 10:15-11:15 — Stretching (Beginner's Yoga w/ Gary)
 12:00-2:00 — Quilting
 12:30-2:30 — Movie ("Philomena") & Popcorn

MONDAY, AUGUST 14th

9:00-10:00 — Exercise Class (Chair Yoga w/ Joette)
 9:30-12:00 — Bridge
 10:00-12:00 — Dominoes 42 Game
 10:00-12:00 — Learn to Play Mahjong
 10:15-11:00 — Stretching (Beginner's Yoga w/ Gary)
 11:00-3:00 — Congressman Carter's Mobile Casework Presentation
 12:00-2:00 — Quilting

MONDAY, AUGUST 21st

9:00-10:00 — Exercise (Chair Yoga w/ Joette)
 9:30-12:00 — Bridge
 10:00-12:00 — Dominoes 42 Game
 10:00-12:00 — Learn to Play Mahjong
 10:15-11:15 — Stretching (Beginner's Yoga w/ Gary)
 11:30-12:30 — Lunch & Birthday Celebration
 12:30-2:30 — Movie ("The Ultimate Legacy") & Popcorn

MONDAY, AUGUST 28th

9:00-10:00 — Exercise (Chair Yoga w/ Joette)
 9:30-12:00 — Bridge
 10:00-11:00 — Fraud Prevention/Bank Scams Class
 10:00-12:00 — Dominoes 42 Game
 10:00-12:00 — Learn to Play Mahjong
 10:15-11:15 — Stretching (Beginner's Yoga w/ Gary)
 12:00-2:00 — Quilting
 1:00-2:30 — Arts & Crafts w/ Joan Smith

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3rd

9:00-10:00 — Exercise Class w/ Alice Cooper
 10:00-12:00 — Dominoes 42 Game
 10:15-11:15 — Chair Tai Chi w/ Richard Trautman
 12:00-3:00 — Mahjong
 12:30-3:00 — Bridge
 1:00-2:30 — BINGO

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10th

9:00-10:00 — Exercise Class w/ Alice Cooper
 10:15-11:15 — Chair Tai Chi w/ Richard Trautman
 10:00-12:00 — Dominoes 42 Game
 * 10:00-12:00 — Arts & Crafts w/ Salado Public Library
 12:00-3:00 — Mahjong
 12:30-3:00 — Bridge
 1:00-2:30 — BINGO (sponsored by Amedisys)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17th

9:00-10:00 — Exercise Class w/ Alice Cooper
 10:00-12:00 — Dominoes 42 Game
 10:15-11:15 — Chair Tai Chi w/ Richard Trautman
 12:00-3:00 — Mahjong
 12:30-3:00 — Bridge
 * 1:00-3:00 — Book Club w/ Salado Public Library
 1:00-2:30 — BINGO

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24th

9:00-10:00 — Exercise Class w/ Alice Cooper
 * 10:00-12:00 — Technology Class w/ Salado Public Library
 10:00-12:00 — Dominoes 42 Game
 10:15-11:15 — Chair Tai Chi w/ Richard Trautman
 12:00-3:00 — Mahjong
 12:30-3:00 — Bridge
 1:00-2:30 — BINGO (sponsored by Garden Estates)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31st

9:00-10:00 — Exercise Class w/ Alice Cooper
 10:00-12:00 — Master Gardener Class (Growing Succulents in Pots & Succulent Garden Spacing)
 10:00-12:00 — Dominoes 42 Game
 10:15-11:15 — Chair Tai Chi w/ Richard Trautman
 12:00-3:00 — Mahjong
 12:30-3:00 — Bridge
 1:00-2:30 — BINGO

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Obituaries

LOIS AUDREY
(ALLEN) CLICK
APRIL 14, 1931
JULY 24, 2023

Lois Audrey (Allen) Click passed away on July 24, 2023 in Fort Worth, the place she called home since arriving here during the Dust Bowl in the early 1930s. Her daughter Marilyn Fleischer, her grandson Paul Cornelius and her granddaughter Natalie Miller were with her at the time of her death in the early morning hours.

Lois Audrey Allen was born April 14, 1931 on a farm outside of Eldora, Iowa, the eldest of Clarence Richmond and Dorothy Jane Allen's three children. She had an older half-sister and three older half-brothers.

She married Marion Leon Click in Fort Worth on February 1, 1949. They welcomed their only child Marilyn on December 4, 1949.

The Clicks traveled the country, exploring the depths of caverns and the mountains of the West. They bathed in the icy waters of the glacial rivers and camped beside mountain lakes, where bears would walk down the paths of the campgrounds.

The Clicks called Reardon Drive in Haltom City home for more than 30 years. In the early 1990s, they moved into a small frame home on North Riverside Drive in Fort Worth built by



pression era generation of her family.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her older half-brothers Kenneth Richmond Allen and Oral Wayne Allen, both of Iowa, and Carrol Edgar Allen, of Fort Worth; her half-sister Ethel Mae (Calvert) Denton, and both of her baby brothers, Clarence Leonard Allen and Jerry Lee Allen, all of Fort Worth.

She is survived by her daughter Marilyn Fleischer of Salado and son-in-law Tim Fleischer, also of Salado.

She is also survived by her three grandchildren, Paul Cornelius and Natalie Miller and her partner Ty Smith, who cared for her in her home in her last years, and Jenny McMurray, and her husband Ron, of Denton.

She is survived by nine great grandchildren: Royce Wiggan, of Salado, Jenny Potter and her husband Joey, of Temple; Natalie, Violet and Ian Ewell, all of the DFW metroplex; John Paul and Ian Greene, both of North Carolina; Joshua Knight and Baron Baggett, both of the DFW metroplex.

She is also survived by four great, great grandchildren: Nate, Kace and Brynn Potter, of Temple and Ivy Ewell of DFW metroplex.

She is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

For her 92nd birthday, Lois was celebrated when five generations came together for a lobster fest party on the patio of her home, including all three of her grandchildren, three of her great grandchildren and three of her great great grandchildren.

Visitation will be 5-8 p.m. July 30 at Mount Olivet Chapel, 2301 North Sylvania Ave., Fort Worth. Funeral service and burial will be 2:30 p.m. July 31 at Mount Olivet.

Marion's mother and stepfather after World War II. She lived there up until the day before she died, which was her wish.

She was a Cowtown girl. Her family trekked from the Iowa farm to the parking lot of the Montgomery Wards in Fort Worth, their first Texas home being a Depression tent city there.

After marrying at the age of 17, she worked several jobs, including making candy at King's Candy Company and working almost 20 years at Texas Instruments in Dallas. She retired from TI in 1984.

They gave a strict, but loving upbringing for Marilyn as members of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints, which later became known as Communities of Christ church.

They sailed on the weekends on Lake Worth as members of the Lake Worth Sailing Club.

Lois is the last of the De-

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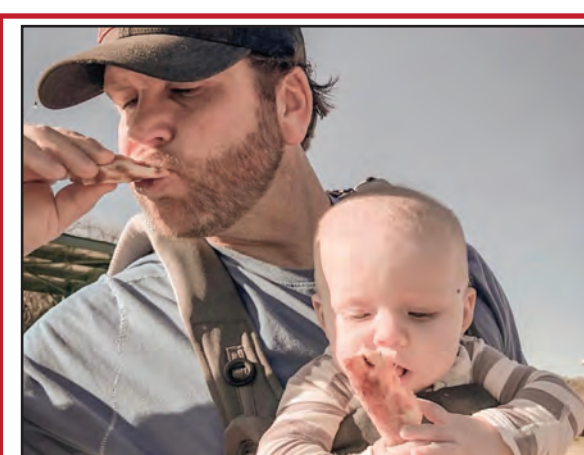
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Bikes & Brews, 6:30 p.m. for a no-drop ride, Barrow Brewing Co.

Floor practice at Salado Masonic Lodge #296, 95 S. Church St., 6:30 p.m. except on Stated Meeting nights.

Open Mic with Ryan White, at Chupacabra, 7 p.m. Tonkawa Chapter Native Plant Society of Texas meeting, 6 p.m., first Monday of month, Barrow Brewing Co.

Second Monday Book Club meets at 7 p.m. at Salado Winery, 841 N. Main St.

Salado Democrats meet the third Monday of each month, 7 p.m., in the conference room of Salado Public Library.

Tuesdays
Village Artists- artists and crafters meet 9:30-11:30 a.m. Salado Village Artists' red building behind the Civic Center.

Knitting Group at Salado Public Library, 10 a.m.

Storytime with Ms. Mia at Salado Public Library, 11 a.m. No Storytime on Aug. 1.

Tuesday Night Prix Fixe at Alexander's Craft Cocktails + Kitchen. \$16.95 for entree, dessert and glass of wine. Prix Fixe menu changes weekly. Visit Alexander's Facebook page for weekly updates on Prix Fixe. Reservations encouraged.

Trivia with Rockin Rick, at Chupacabra, 7-9 p.m.

Wednesdays
Teens Cosplay July Workshop at Salado Public Library, 1 p.m. Register at front desk.

Guest food truck day at Barrow Brewing Co., 4-9 p.m.

Game Night at Barrow Brewing Co., 4-9 p.m. Trivia with Chad on second Wed.

Wine Down Wednesday at Alexander's Craft Cocktails & Kitchen, 5-7 p.m., Half price on select bottles of wine, featured wine by the glass and feature cocktail specials change weekly.

Grief Share support group program, 6:30-8 p.m. 14-week fall session at Grace Church of Salado. The program is non-denominational and feature biblical concepts for healing from a person's grief. Cost is \$20 for workbook. For further information on the Grief Share program in Salado, please contact Mary Hendrix

at 858-232- 4692. Last session is Nov. 1.

Karaoke, 7-10 p.m. at Chupacabra.

Thursdays
Salado Senior Center open 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursdays at 650 Royal St. (Salado United Methodist Church Youth Activity Center). Coffee Corner and Game Time, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Chair Tai Chi with Rich Trautman, 10-11 a.m. Bingo, noon-1 p.m. Bridge, 12:30-3 p.m. Movie and Popcorn, 1-3 p.m.

Pint night at Chupacabra, 4 p.m.-midnight.

Vinyl Nite with Shannon at Barrow Brewing Co., 5 p.m.

Teen Writing Group, Salado Public Library, 6 p.m.

Barrow Cycling Club, 6 p.m. for a no-drop ride.

Weekly curated wine tasting hosted by Hannah Hendrick 6-8 p.m. at Salado Winery, 841 N. Main St. Tickets available online through Salado Winery Eventbrite <https://bit.ly/3MLXXOA>. Call 254-947-8011 or check Facebook for more information.

Maxx Carter at Chupacabra, 6-10 p.m.

Bikes & Brews, 6:30 p.m. for a no-drop ride, Barrow Brewing Co.

Run4Beer Group, 6:30 p.m., Barrow Brewing Co.

Family Night at The Shed, specials on beer and pizzas change every week.

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

Fridays
Storytime with Ms. Mia, Salado Public Library, 11 a.m. No Story-time Aug. 4.

Live Music at Axis Winery, 3-6 p.m.

Live Music at Chupacabra Craft Beers, 7-11 p.m.

Live Music at Barrow Brewing Co. 7 p.m.

Saturdays
Farmers' Market, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. every Saturday, Barrow Brewing Co.

Asanas and Ales, 9 a.m. every Saturday in the taproom at Barrow Brewing Co.

Live Music at Axis Winery, 2-5 p.m.

Live Music at Barrow Brewing, 7 p.m.

Live Music at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 8 p.m.

Sundays
Live Music at Axis Winery, 2-5 p.m.

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

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Student art exhibit and folk art exhibit at Salado Museum, 423 South Main St. Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

July 27
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, 3 Nations.

July 28
Teens Super Smash Bros, ages 12+, noon, Salado Public Library.

July 28
Fourth Friday Gospel Singing 7 p.m. at First Cedar Valley Baptist Church, FM 2843. Pot luck to follow. Bring a favorite dish or dessert.

July 28
Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., Michael Saldana.

July 28
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 8 p.m., Neapolitan Band.

July 29
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 11 a.m., Tanama Colibri.

July 29
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 8 p.m., Fred Fuller.

July 29
Merlot harvest at Salado Winery's vineyard, 21724 Hill Road, 6:30-10:30 a.m. Come pick grapes with June Ritterbusch and Sheldon Vickers at the vineyard or just pose like you are picking grapes! Harvest as much or as little as you enjoy. You can even eat some straight from the vine! Harvest is family friendly.

July 29
Salado Legends Tablerock's Goodnight Amphitheater, 409 Royal St., Salado, TX, 76571. Dinner is at 7:15 p.m., Performance begins at 8:15 p.m. Dinner tickets, which must be purchased 24 hours in advance, are \$13. Salado Legends tickets are \$25 for adults, \$10 for students (with ID) and \$5 for children 12 and under. Tickets can be purchased online at CentralTexasTickets.com.

July 29
Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m., Josh Jaccard.

July 30
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m., Lauren Woodall.

August 2
Music Munchkins, 10 a.m., Salado Public Library.

August 2
Mini-Makers, ages 3-7, 11 a.m., Salado Public Library.

August 2
Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Korean Kravings.

August 2
Launch of the Grief Share support group program 14-week fall session, 6:30-8 p.m. at Grace Church of Salado. The program is non-denominational and feature biblical concepts for healing from a person's grief. Cost is \$20 for workbook. For further information on the Grief Share program in Salado, please contact Mary Hendrix at 858-232-4692. Last session is Nov. 1.

August 3
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purchase of the featured brewery, Independence.

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

August 3
Texas Red's Name That Tune Bingo with Sweet Caroline and DJ Dale Host, 7 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co. Featuring 75 Hit Songs. Mark your free Bingo cards to win brewery prizes.

August 4
Stuffy Sleepover Drop-off, 11 a.m., Salado Public Library.

August 4
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 8 p.m., Jake Waylon.

August 5
Merlot harvest at Salado Winery's vineyard, 21724 Hill Road, 6:30-10:30 a.m. Come pick grapes with June Ritterbusch and Sheldon Vickers at

the vineyard or just pose like you are picking grapes! Harvest as much or as little as you enjoy. You can even eat some straight from the vine! Harvest is family friendly.

August 5
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 11 a.m., Lilly Milford.

August 5
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7:30 p.m., Denver Williams.

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August 6
Growler Appreciation Day with live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 12:30 p.m., Brooks Emerson; 4 p.m., High Country Riders.

August 7
Tonkawa Chapter of the Native Plant Society of Texas monthly meeting, 6 p.m. at Barrow Brewing Co.

August 8
Adult Craft: Dried Flower Notecards, 11 a.m., Salado Public Library.

August 8
Discovery Club, 2 p.m., Salado Public Library.

August 9
Salado Lions Club luncheon meeting, 11:30 a.m., Salado Civic Center.

August 9
Adult Matinee Movie: Top Gun: Maverick at noon, Salado Public Library.

August 9
Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Lula

Mae's. Trivia with Chad starts at 7 p.m.

August 10
Adults: True Crime Book Club, 6 p.m., Salado Public Library.

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

August 10
Around the World Dinner Series, Alexander's Craft Cocktails + Kitchen, 6:30 p.m. Five course themed dinner, \$100 per person. Tickets on eventbrite.com. This month's focus is Venezuela.

August 11
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 8 p.m., Denny Cullinan.

August 12
Tweens Glow-in-the-Dark, 11 a.m., Salado Public Library.

August 12
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7:30 p.m., Anna Larson Band.

August 12-13
Salado Market Days 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall 721 Stagecoach Road. Salado's original Market Days event.

August 13
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m., Stephany Alvarez-Chavira.

August 14
The 2nd Monday book club meets at 7 pm at Salado Winery.

August 15
Adults Monday Book Club 2 p.m., Salado Public Library.

August 16
Music Munchkins, 10 a.m., Salado Public Library.

August 16
Mini-Makers (ages 3-7) 11 a.m., Salado Public Library.



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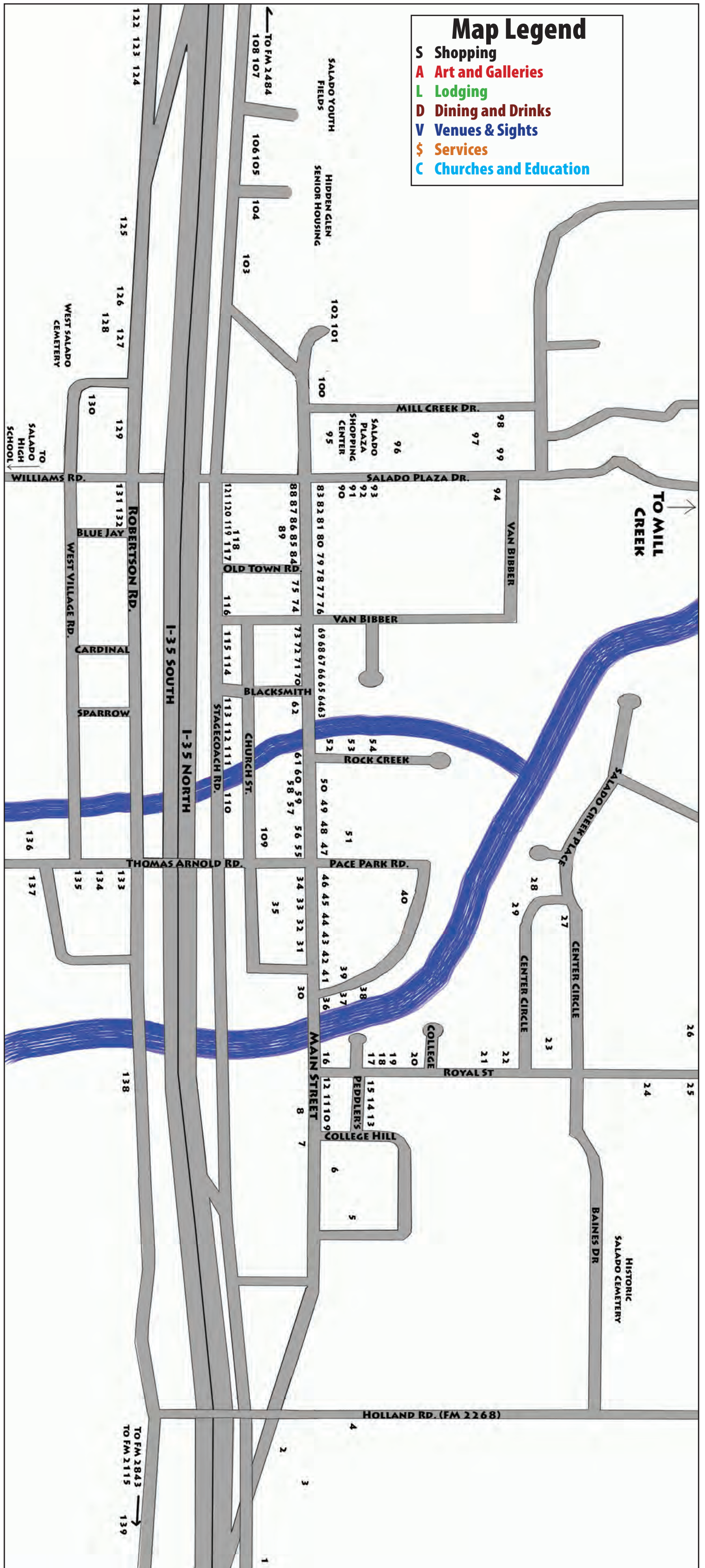
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Kaci Atchison spoke with students at the Thornton Elementary Ag Day Fair. Here she and Bell County Extension Agent Whitney Ingram spent the day educating students about livestock, livestock shows and the 4-H program. (COURTESY PHOTO)

Atchison is 4-H Livestock Ambassador

The Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador program strives to provide high school aged 4-H members the opportunity to develop and practice advanced leadership skills related to mentoring other youth, and to become advocates for animal agriculture. Since the founding of Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador Program in 2007, a new generation of knowledgeable, well-spoken agriculture advocates have emerged in Texas. Today, the average American is at least three generations removed from the farm, it is essential that the upcoming generation be able to bridge the gap between consumers and farmers. Through collegiate level training combined with hands-on experience, these youth are equipped with the skills and knowledge to serve as educators of their community, youth volunteers, and stewards of the livestock industry. Many young leaders from Bell County 4-H have taken advantage of the TYLA programs. Currently, 7 Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassadors are from Bell County.

The article below was written by Ambassador and Short Course Mentor, Kaci Atchison of Salado, Texas. Atchison shares her experience of the program and advice for other youth.

By KACI ATCHISON

Growing up, I found a love for the agriculture industry very young as I had been immersed in it from the start. I grew up on a small, multigenerational ranch and had shown animals my entire life, however, I had never truly felt a part of the industry. Yes, I was involved in 4-H and FFA, but everything I did seemed to fall short of those around me. My friends were County Council members and winning state championships while I was too scared to get truly involved. A couple months into my freshman year of high school, I heard of a program called Texas Youth Livestock and Agriculture. The program was a part of the Texas 4-H organization and trained livestock, equine, and poultry ambassadors to better understand and advocate for the industry around them. I soon began to research the organization and felt like being an ambassador would be something I could

excel at. I applied and got accepted into the training program. When I arrived in College Station for the Texas A&M Livestock Ambassador Short Course last July, I immediately met some of my future best friends. Many people don't believe me when I say this, but the 24 other students I was with quickly became family and I could not be more thankful for that. Through the program, we toured ranches such as 44 Farms, learned more about advocating for the agriculture industry, and made our way through some of the most extensive leadership training we would ever have. One of my favorite stops throughout the week, by far, was ST Genetics. Here, the 25 of us were educated on all things in cattle genetics and found ourselves immersed in the working ideas of the cattle industry. Throughout my first year as an ambassador, I truly learned what it meant to serve this industry. One of the great things about being an ambassador is the opportunities we receive in the program. Wanting to further my reach in the program, I applied for phase two, Advocacy Academy. This is a three-day training based in Austin, TX, at the state capital, where current ambassadors are taught more about advocating for the agriculture industry on a political, economic, and social level, as well as undergo extensive media training. Here, we heard from groups such as Texas Farm Bureau, where I learned how to effectively advocate for this industry in the media, court room, and legislative assembly. I have also had the blessing of being one of the mentors for this year's Texas A&M Short Course. After spending my first year as an ambassador and learning from those around me, I got the opportunity to share my experience and guide the newest generation of livestock ambassadors.

From helping newer members learn to show, to teaching elementary students about livestock, this year has been a whirlwind of wonderful memories and hard lessons. I learned that sometimes, we aren't always right and that the best way to offer a new perspective is to listen to their story, then share yours. I learned how there can never

be too many pictures taken, and how when we truly open our hearts to others, they can make more of an impact on us, than we ever will on them. I learned how effectively sharing our story is more impactful than any number or fact ever will be, and I learned that no matter what becomes of me, I have a deeper love for the agriculture industry than I realized possible.

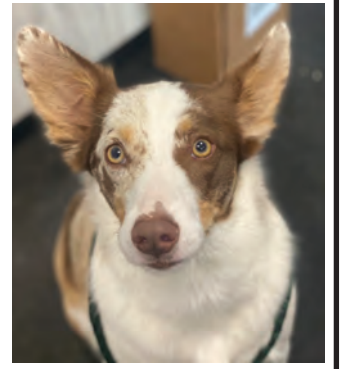
Even with two years left in this program, if I could give a new ambassador or younger member any piece of advice, I would tell them to cherish the time they have. High School is only four years, and while it may seem like forever at the start, it goes by too quickly. Cherish the memories, take the pictures, live in the moment, and above all, do everything you can to leave your mark on someone else's life.

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2023 Salado Eagles Varsity Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
AUG. 11	LAMPASAS BADGERS SCRIMMAGE ALL TEAMS	AWAY	6:30 P.M.
AUG. 17	GIDDINGS BUFFALOES SCRIMMAGE	HOME	6:30 P.M.
AUG. 25	FREDERICKSBURG BATTLIN BILLIES	AWAY	7 P.M.
SEPT. 1	RUDDER RANGERS	HOME	7 P.M.
SEPT. 9	MALAKOFF TIGERS	MIDWAY ISD	7 P.M.
SEPT. 15	ACADEMY BEES	AWAY	7 P.M.
SEPT. 22	BOERNE GREYHOUNDS	HOME	7 P.M.
SEPT. 30	HITCHCOCK BULLDOGS	MERRILL STADIUM BRYAN	1 P.M.
OCT. 6	*ROBINSON ROCKETS	HOME	7 P.M.
OCT. 13	*GATESVILLE HORNETS	AWAY	7 P.M.
OCT. 20	*WACO CONNALLY CADETS	HOME	7 P.M.
OCT. 27	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
NOV. 3	*MADISONVILLE MUSTANGS	AWAY	7 P.M.

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2023 Salado Eagles JV/9th Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	Ninth	JV
Aug. 24	Fredericksburg Battlin Billies	Home	5 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
Aug. 30	Bryan Rudder Raiders	JV Away, Ninth Home	5 p.m.	5 p.m.
Sept. 7	Lake Belton Mustangs	Home	TBA	TBA
Sept. 14	Academy Bees	Home	4:30 p.m.	6 p.m.
Sept. 21	Boerne Greyhounds	There	4:30 p.m.	6 p.m.
Sept. 28	*La Vega Pirates	Home	5 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	*Robinson Rockets	There	5:30 p.m.	7 p.m.
Oct. 12	*Gatesville Hornets	Home	5 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	*Connally Cadets	There	5:30 p.m.	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	Open	Open	Open	Open
Nov. 2	*Madisonville Mustangs	Home	5 p.m.	6:30 p.m.

2023 Salado Volleyball Schedule

Date	Opponent	JV White	JV Red	Varsity
8/4	Liberty Hill Scrimmages	TBD	TBD	TBD
8/5	West Scrimmages	TBD	TBD	TBD
8/7	vs Chaparral	5:00	5:00	6:00
8/8	@ Granger	5:00	6:00	-
8/8	@ Rogers	-	-	7:00
8/10 - 8/12	Georgetown/East View/Leander Tournament (Varsity & JV Red)	-	TBD	TBD
8/15	@ Lake Belton	5:00	5:00	6:00
8/17 - 8/19	Huntsville Tournament (Varsity)	-	-	TBD
8/18 - 8/19	Gatesville Tournament (JV Red & JV White)	TBD	TBD	-
8/22	vs Stephenville	5:00	5:00	6:00
8/24 & 8/26	Godley Tournament (Varsity)	-	-	TBD
8/24 & 8/26	Copperas Cove Tournament (JV White)	TBD	-	-
8/25 & 8/26	Copperas Cove Tournament (JV Red)	-	TBD	-
8/29	@ Troy	5:00	6:00	7:00
9/1	vs Harker Heights	5:30	5:30	6:30
9/5	@ Copperas Cove	6:30	6:30	7:30
9/8	vs Gateway (Teacher Appreciation)	5:00	5:00	6:00
9/9	Georgetown Tournament (JV White)	TBD	-	-
9/12	vs Burnet (SYVL Night)	5:00	5:00	6:00
9/15	@ Marble Falls	7:30	7:30	5:30
9/19	vs Thorndale	5:00	5:00	6:00
9/22	vs La Vega* (Homecoming)	6:00	6:00	4:30
9/26	vs Waco Connally*	5:30	5:30	6:30
9/29	@ Robinson*	4:30	4:30	5:30
10/3	vs Gatesville* (Dig Pink)	5:30	5:30	6:30
10/6	@ China Spring*	4:30	4:30	5:30
10/10	@ La Vega*	5:00	6:00	7:00
10/13	@ Waco Connally*	4:30	4:30	5:30
10/17	vs Robinson* (Middle School Night)	5:30	5:30	6:30
10/20	@ Gatesville*	4:30	4:30	5:30
10/24	vs China Spring* (Senior/Parent Night)	5:30	5:30	6:30

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Aug. 18	Leander Relay Meet	Williamson County Park
Aug. 25	Belton Invitational	Belton Lake Outdoor Recreation
Area		
Sept. 1	Pro-Fit Invitational	Wilson Park, Temple
Sept. 8	Plugerville Invitational	NE Metro Park Pflugerville
Sept. 14	Salado Tenroc Invitational	Tenroc Ranch
Sept. 21	Bronco Invitational JV	Crossroads Park, Temple (JV)
Sept. 23	OSU Cowboy Jamboree Varsity	OSU - Stillwater, OK (Varsity)
Sept. 30	Leo Manzano Invitational	Marble Falls HS
Oct. 4	Stephenville Thrill of the Hill	Stephenville
Oct. 9	District Meet	Gatesville HS
Oct. 23-24	Regional Meet	Katie Barr Park - Huntsville
Nov. 3-4	State Meet	Old Settlers Park - Round Rock

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2023 SALADO JR. HIGH FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Place	7B	7A	7A	8A
Sept. 7	LAMPASAS	AWAY	4:30	5:30	6:30	7:30
Sept. 14	ACADEMY	AWAY	5:00	7/8B	6:00	7:00
Sept. 21	LAGO VISTA	HOME	5:00	7/8B	6:00	7:30
Sept. 28	OPEN					
Oct. 5	ROBINSON	HOME	4:30	5:30	6:30	7:30
Oct. 12	GATESVILLE	AWAY	4:30	5:30	6:30	7:30
Oct. 19	CONNALLY	HOME	4:30	5:30	6:30	7:30
Oct. 26	BURNET	HOME	4:30	5:30	6:30	7:30
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(pictured from l-r) Salado ISD Chief of Police Gary McHone, Salado ISD Police Officer Heath Crum, Salado ISD Police Officer Jennifer Latta. (COURTESY PHOTO)

Salado ISD forms police department

Superintendent's Corner

by Dr. Michael Novotny



The Texas Legislature approved House Bill 3, which requires all public school districts in Texas to have an armed officer at each campus during regular school hours. The officer must be a commissioned peace officer from the district's own police department, a school resource officer from another law enforcement agency or a peace officer hired as a security officer. This new law goes into effect on September 1.

Our school district already had an armed school resource officer through the Salado Police Department at each of our three schools this past school year. We have now established our own Salado ISD Police Department with a Chief of Po-

lice and two police officers.

We have also established the School Marshal program in which designated staff members complete training through the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) to carry firearms.

Our Salado ISD Chief of Police is Gary McHone and he will be working at Salado Middle School. Salado ISD Police Officer Jennifer Latta will be working at Thomas Arnold Elementary School. Salado ISD Police Officer Heath Crum will be working at Salado High School.

Thank you to our Salado ISD Chief of Police, Police Officers, and School Marshals for helping keep all of our students and employees safe!

Project Backpack needs your support

The 15th Annual Project Backpack provides new backpacks and school supplies to families in need in Salado ISD. This program, sponsored by Salado Family Relief Fund, serves about 150 students each year.

Backpacks with school supplies will be distributed 5-7 p.m. Aug. 1 and 5-7 p.m. Aug. 3 at the Presbyterian Church of Salado to Salado ISD students in Pre-K through 12th grade.

Families can apply for the program via the website at saladofamilyrelief.com or by emailing SFRSalado@gmail.com to receive request forms.

"Once again, Salado

Family Relief is reaching out for community wide participation," said Tina Lulfs, SFRF board member.

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"Contact your church of other community organizations about adopting students and donating to the program," Lulfs added.



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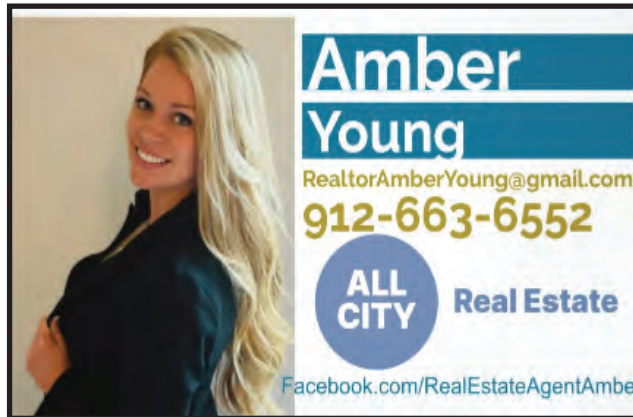
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07/16	N Main ST, Salado	Brush or brush-and-grass mixture fire
07/17	BAINES ST, Salado	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
07/17	W AMITY RD, BELL	EMS call, exclud. MVA with injury
07/17	Belton	Grass fire
07/17	STINNETT MILL RD, BELL	Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)
07/17	GREEN CREEK DR, Bell	Dispatched & canceled en route
07/18	S INTERSTATE 35 HWY, Bell	Dispatched & canceled en route
07/18	ELM GROVE RD, Bell	Grass fire
07/18	STINNETT MILL RD, Bell	Dispatched & canceled en route
07/18	N INTERSTATE 35, Belton	EMS call, exclud. MVA with injury
07/18	N STAGECOACH RD, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
07/19	HORNED FROG RD, Bell	Grass fire
07/19	COBB CREEK RD, Williamson	Forest, woods or wildland fire
07/19	FM 2843, Bell	No incident found on arrival
07/20	FM 2484, Salado	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
07/20	FM 1670, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
07/20	Interstate Highway 35, N/B, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
07/21	S IH 35 SERVICE RD, BELL	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
07/21	YELLOW ROSE DR, Salado	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
07/22	S MAIN ST, Salado	Alarm system activation, no fire
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Texas Families lose out on summer food assistance

By ROZ BROWN
 TEXAS NEWS SERVICE

Many Texas families are still struggling financially post-COVID. Nonetheless, the state turned down millions of dollars in federal aid for summer food assistance to qualified low-income families.

Texas was eligible for federal funds, which would have provided families \$120 per month during the summer. The Pandemic Electronic Benefits Transfer program aids qualified families whose children receive reduced-price meals or attend

schools in low-income areas where all students receive free meals.

Jamie Olson, director of policy and advocacy for Feeding Texas, said the state participated in the pandemic-related program until this summer.

"We know that every summer, childhood hunger spikes because children are not eating the meals that they would normally eat in school," Olson pointed out.

A state Department of Health and Human Services official said Texas is not participating because the school meal and summer

food programs have returned to pre-pandemic operations, and the state was unsure it could distribute funds by Sept. 30 deadline.

Olson reminded families struggling with food insecurity the state has 21 food banks, covering all 254 counties, listed online at FeedingTexas.org.

While the majority of states are participating in the program this summer, Texas was one of eight refusing to join. A permanent summer program approved by Congress will be in place by next year, and Olson is hopeful Texas will partici-

pate. She added the current model has proven to be very effective.

"The benefits are distributed on a debit card; an EBT card that families can use just like cash at their local grocery stores," Olson noted. "That's the way that we should be seeking to feed kids in the summer."

The \$436 million available to Texas this summer would have fed 3.6 million school-age children, according to Olson. To participate in next year's summer program, states must notify the U.S. Department of Agriculture by Jan. 1.

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Village of Salado Don Ferguson, City Administrator July 27, 2023

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500,000 Texans lost Medicaid coverage since June

DALLAS: Five hundred thousand people in Texas have lost healthcare coverage since June due to the state's unwinding of the COVID-19 continuous Medicaid coverage protections. Unfortunately, 81% of individuals who lost coverage did so for procedural or

paperwork reasons, not because individuals are no longer eligible. Because quality and affordable healthcare is critical to the 2.9 million Texas residents living with lung disease, the American Lung Association is calling on Governor Greg Abbott to pause Medicaid redeter-

minations to improve its process so fewer people lose access to healthcare.

"The rate of coverage losses for procedural issues - 81% - is truly alarming. People could lose their healthcare coverage and not even be aware of it until they visit their healthcare

provider or go to pick up a prescription. Since thousands of people have already lost coverage, we are urging Governor Abbott to temporarily pause coverage terminations to evaluate the process so that no one else unnecessarily loses their healthcare," said Charlie

Gagen, director of advocacy for the American Lung Association in Texas.

In March 2020, when the COVID-19 pandemic began in the U.S., Congress passed legislation that prohibited states from dis-enrolling most individuals from Medicaid. As a result, more than

20 million people gained Medicaid coverage during the pandemic. Nationally, 93 million people - one in four - have coverage through Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program. In December 2022, Congress passed legislation that starts to reverse some of the COVID-19 pandemic provisions, allowing Medicaid programs to restart renewals and coverage terminations.

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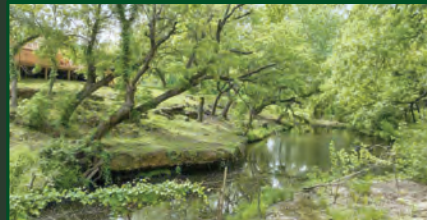
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