

Meet the staff of your hometown newspaper

The *Salado Village Voice* newspaper was founded by the late Dayton Kelly with the first edition on February 17, 1979.

The newspaper has seen four decades of service to the Village of Salado.

For more than three of those decades, Tim and Marilyn Fleischer have been at the helm of the *Salado Village Voice*.

Salado Village Voice newspaper has always been a family affair, since its founding by Dayton Kelly in 1979. After Dayton's death, his sons Dennis and Bill operated the newspaper until the Fleischer family purchased the newspaper in 1988.

Salado Village Voice is locally owned and operated. "We are vested in Salado and invested in Salado," says publisher and editor-in-chief Tim Fleischer.

As we begin 2024, *Salado Village Voice* staffers would like to re-introduce themselves to the community they serve.

Salado Village Voice has a staff of three full time family members, including publishers Tim and Marilyn Fleischer and their son Royce Wiggin, staff photographer and office assistant.

In addition to individual awards by staff members, *Salado Village Voice* has been honored by the community and state. The newspaper was the first-ever Business of the Year, awarded in January 2003 by the Salado Chamber of Commerce.

For 30 years, *Salado Village Voice* has published *Salado: A Jewel in the Crown of Texas*, a quarterly magazine. The Jewel magazine has been accepted for distribution at the Texas travel centers at each of the entrances into the state after meeting the strict standards to do so.

The newspaper also maintains an active website at www.saladovillagevoice.com and has electronic editions of the newspaper available for subscribers.

The newspaper joined the Texas Press Association in 2010.

Tim Fleischer

Tim Fleischer has been a newspaperman since he was 16, working for both weeklies and daily newspapers. "I got the Devil's Ink at an early age and haven't been able to get rid of it," he said of his 39 years in the newspaper industry.

For 34 years, he has been the editor of the *Salado Village Voice*.

But his love for Salado has been for more than three decades. "I came to Salado

with my parents for the Art Fair and Gathering of the Clans when I was growing up in Coryell County," he said. "I drove through it every day on my way to run a small newspaper in Florence."

Tim and Marilyn Fleischer have published the newspaper since 1988. During that time, the newspaper has grown from an eight-page tabloid to a full-size broadsheet newspaper with four sections.

"We have grown with the community and are a reflection of it," he said.

In those years, the newspaper has won several awards from the Texas Community Newspaper Association, where *Salado Village Voice* competed against newspapers from San Antonio, Dallas, Houston, Austin and around the state.

Tim has won several TCNA awards: advertising design (third in state for large ad format and third in state for advertising series); editorial work (first in state for editorial writing, third in state for editorial writing, third in state for column writing) and second in state for community service (for articles during the incorporation election).

In 2019, he and Royce Wiggin won a Texas Press Association award for Feature Photography in 2019.

Fleischer has been named to the Texas Association of School Boards Media Honor Roll several times during his tenure at the helm of the newspaper, Media are recommended and nominated for the Honor Roll by local school boards for their coverage of schools.

He has also served the community in a variety of capacities, including four different terms on the board of directors of the Salado Chamber of Commerce and six years on the board of directors of the Institute for Humanities at Salado.

He was president of the Salado Chamber of Commerce in 1998 and treasurer for two years of the Institute for Humanities at Salado.

Fleischer was Chairman of the Salado Chamber of Commerce in 2015.

He served a term on the inaugural board of the Salado Community Foundation.

He was also on the first board that established the Mentoring program in Salado.

Tim is a Mason and twice Past Master of the Salado Masonic Lodge #296. He served as District Deputy Grand Master for Masonic



(PHOTO BY NATE POTTER)

Salado Village Voice staffers are (from left) Editor Tim Fleischer, Managing Editor Marilyn Fleischer and Staff Photographer Royce Wiggin. Office mascots and part-time barkers are Coco Chanel and Cicero.

District #48 in 2011-12 and is the current Secretary for the Salado Lodge. He was presented the Golden Trowel award in 2011. As one of the highest honors any Texas freemason can receive, the Golden Trowel Award was established by the Grand Lodge of Texas for the purpose of recognizing any mason who has consistently demonstrated outstanding and exemplary service to in the community. He is the Lodge Flag Committee chairman.

He was installed as Eminent Commander of Temple Commandery #41 Knights Templar, an appendant body of Masonry, on Dec. 30. Fleischer is also District Deputy Grand High Priest from the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas for 2024.

He is known to great grandson Nate Timothy Potter as DoDo (like the bird).

He and wife Marilyn share responsibilities at the newspaper. "She runs the office and makes the business decisions and I make editorial decisions," he said.

The Fleischers are covering their third generation of Salado kids. "We are recognizing the names of the kids of those kids we covered in the late 80s and early 90s," Tim said. "Not very many newspapermen can say that they are covering multiple generations of families in a community."

"A community newspaper should be both a cheerleader and a conscience for

the town it serves," he adds. "We celebrate our successes whenever we can."

"Because we live here, pay taxes here and serve in our community, we feel a responsibility to holding local officials accountable for their actions," he adds. "This is not always an easy thing to do, but we owe it to the taxpayers, businesses and residents to do this."

"The one thing I try not to do is to tell my readers what to think," he adds. "This is why we have not officially endorsed or opposed a candidate for school board or board of aldermen. We try to present, in as fair a manner as I know how, as much information as possible for the residents and voters to make up their own minds."

Marilyn Fleischer

Marilyn got the Devil's Ink in her blood after meeting Tim 37 years ago.

She is managing editor and advertising manager of *Salado Village Voice*.

She worked in the corporate world prior to the purchase of the *Salado Village Voice* in 1988.

She also owned and operated a business in the Killen/Copperas Cove area for several years while raising her three children.

During their years in Salado, Marilyn has served the community in many ways.

She was honored by the Salado Chamber of Commerce in 2020 by being named to its Hall of Fame.

"I think I have been most satisfied with my work with

the Salado Family Relief Fund," she said. For her birthday in 2017, Marilyn asked her friends to contribute to the Salado Family Relief Fund, raising more than \$1,000.

In addition to her work to establish the Family Relief Fund, Marilyn has also been Art Fair chairperson for multiple years, and served three years as a Chamber of Commerce Director.

She served two three-year terms on the Salado Civic Center board of directors.

She was on the founding board of the Salado Community Foundation and continues to serve on the foundation board.

She has also won awards from the TCNA. She has twice been honored. She won second place for Best Feature Photo and second place for Community Service for her work with the Salado Family Relief Fund.

The Fleischers helped to establish what became known as the Public Arts League of Salado and the Salado Ambassador Program.

The Fleischers' children -- Royce Wiggin and Jenny Potter, both graduates of Salado High School -- have grown up in the eye of the community. Royce graduated in 2007, beginning in second grade in Salado schools. Jenny began her school career as a kindergarten at Thomas Arnold Elementary School and graduated in 2009.

Marilyn welcomed her ninth grandchild to the

world in 2015. Beren Crow Baggett was born on August 26, 2015.

Great-grandparents to Nate Potter, the Fleischers welcomed twins Kace and Brynn Potter in June 2020 and Ivy Ewell in September 2022.

Royce Wiggin

Royce Wiggin is one of those rare species: a native of Salado, born here on July 5, 1989.

His first home was the historic Levi Tenney House in Salado's Pace Park.

He has attended school in Salado since second grade graduating in 2007.

While in high school, he was a trumpet player in the Salado Eagle Marching Band.

He began work at the newspaper over the summer of his junior year in high school.

His responsibilities include photography and reporting, distribution, classified advertising, placing and rotating ads on pages, directing phone calls in the office, proof reading, typesetting and a myriad of other duties.

Royce is the staff sports photographer, traveling to games on Tuesdays and Fridays to shoot football, volleyball, basketball, cross country, soccer and in the spring, track, baseball and softball.

He is the son of Tim and Marilyn Fleischer, owners of the newspaper, and is glad to finally get paid for all the hours he spends at the newspaper office.

Gala Jan. 27 benefits saving Old Church Place

The Salado Historical Society announces its Gala & Auction Jan. 27 at The View at the Creek, located at 1401 South Ridge Road in Salado, Texas. The event will take place from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. with hors d'oeuvres, a cash bar and promises an evening of elegance, entertainment, and community spirit.

The Foster and Mills families will receive recognition for their substantial contributions to the preservation of Salado's history.

The Gala & Auction aims to raise funds for the relocation and rehabilitation of the historic 1908 Old Church Place building, a cherished landmark in the Salado community. Once restored, this gem will become a valuable resource for the community, providing a space for meetings and educational projects.

Tickets for the Gala & Auction are available for purchase at CentralTexasTickets.com, and the entire community is invited to par-

ticipate in this noble cause. All proceeds from ticket sales and auction items will directly contribute to the preservation and enhancement of the Old Church Place building.

As a 501(c)(3) organization, The Salado Historical Society ensures that all donations are tax-deductible. In-kind receipts will be provided for every contribution, offering donors the opportunity to make a difference while enjoying the benefits of tax relief. For donors con-

tributing over \$500 in value, a Donor Recognition Wall will be erected as a lasting tribute to their generosity. This wall will stand as a testament to the community's commitment to preserving its rich history for future generations.

The Gala & Auction boasts an impressive array of auction items, generously donated by individuals and businesses passionate about Salado's history. Highlights include Wilbur Foster Wagons, a Bronze cast of Sirena,

Darwin Britt wood armoire, Lonnie Edwards artwork, Ronnie Wells Bronze Duck, Chivas Brothers 100-year-old Scotch, night stays in Salado at various venues, a TX Capitol walnut-stained bench by Brad Buckley, Virginia Kinnison painting, metal sculptures, Mud Pie's pottery, high-end jewelry from Belinda McClure, Melissa Paxton Watercolor painting, Solas Artwork, a framed drawing of the Church, and exclusive items from village shops.

"The Salado Historical Society expresses gratitude to all donors and supporters who will make the Gala & Auction possible," President Bill Kinnison said. "Your contributions will play a vital role in preserving Salado's history and fostering a vibrant and connected community."

For more information about the Gala & Auction or to purchase tickets, please visit CentralTexasTickets.com or contact Beverly Turnbo (254) 541-2125.

Retail sales up 3.1% for 2023 Christmas season

The Markets

On the last trading day of 2023, the S&P 500 (SPX), our stalwart if flawed indicator of market values in the U.S., eked out a weekly gain of 0.32% to close at 4769.83, up over 24% this year, 33% since last October, and about 27% over the last three years. For all those positive numbers, it remains about half a percent lower than in early January of 2022. Our other followed equity index, the CRSP US Mid-Cap Value index, representing what the SPX would probably look like without the Magnificent-Seven large-cap growth, tech, and hope for AI-driven stocks, closed the week and the year at 2506.82, up 0.54% for the week, 7.15% year-to-date, but still about 3.5% lower than its record high back in January of 2022.

The benchmark 10-year Treasury note ended the week and year yielding 3.88%, near the lowest rate across the entire yield curve. Ultra-short-term T-bills were yielding around 5.4%, annualized, while the longer-term Treasury bonds paid as much as 4.2%. West Texas Intermediate crude oil (WTI) slipped down about 3.5% to end the week at \$71.32, about 3% below where it was last week.

The Economy

There is generally not a lot of economic news to report in the last week of the year, coming as it does between Christmas and New Year's Day. Certainly, there was a bit of what we consider noteworthy data. Retail sales for December through the 24th were up 3.1% over last year, a good omen by almost any standard of such things. Manufacturing, according to the Richmond Fed, was still decelerating from its wild run over the last two years in their district. Services, at least those in Texas, continued to ratchet up. This is not a new phenomenon, but it is part of a trend that we have been observing since the rush to purchase goods

Market & Economic Update

by Jeffrey W. McClure



(often referred to in our previous comments as “stuff”) during the pandemic began to decline. As consumers, we have now shifted back to spending our money on services.

As 2023 draws to a close, it is a good time to try to put things in perspective and consider what may lie ahead. The major trends in the U.S. and world economies are still primarily reactions to the pandemic and the large-scale consumer retreat from services like dining out, travel, and entertainment outside the home. That reduced spending on services, combined with far more time at home, resulted in a massive increase in demand for goods, primarily via the Internet and direct home delivery. At the same time, the primary global supplier of goods, the People's Republic of China (PRC), began a severe lockdown of its population. As a result, prices for those much-desired goods began to rise at about 10% per year. Compounding the issue was that our national infrastructure could not support the level of goods demand that arose.

As the pandemic tapered off, the resulting sudden shift in demand from goods to services was immense. Consumers, deprived of restaurant meals and theater movies, among many other things, went on a binge so that even as goods prices leveled off, services businesses, having scaled back during the lull, were overwhelmed, and again, prices went up. Imports of goods declined, as did domestic manufacturing. We appear to be at the tail end of that part of the cycle as we end 2023.

The Federal Reserve increased interest rates to reduce demand. Historical-

ly, the degree and speed of these increases would have caused a severe recession, but as anticipated, this did not happen. Even with the highest interest rates in this cycle, the US economy grew by 4.9% in the third quarter, after a 2.1% rate in the second quarter. Inflation has averaged less than 2% for the last five months, and supply and demand seem to have equalized. It is predicted that we will see a growth rate of over 2% in the last quarter. This high growth is due to the astonishingly low unemployment rate of less than 4% and wage growth that matches or exceeds inflation. Additionally, the US saw a remarkable 5.2 annualized rate of productivity growth in the third quarter.

In summary, the combination of interest rate cuts, bond purchases by the Federal Reserve, and stimulus checks have not only prevented a severe recession but have also led to sustained economic growth that may not have occurred if there were no pandemic. This is a positive start to the new year. As for the future, some experts predict a recession in 2024, but we don't see any indications of it and believe that the coming year will have slower growth due to the lack of infrastructure to support the significant expansion witnessed in the second half of 2023. However, we don't anticipate a recession. Additionally, we expect the Fed to continue to sell bonds, which will drive intermediate to long-term rates higher over time. The Fed may also decrease short-term rates in late 2022, but we don't expect a return to the ultra-low rates of the previous decade. The primary cause of the low inflation and rates, which was the cheap but dependable labor of the People's Republic of China, is reversing.

Did you begin 2024 a little fatter?

By DR. GLENN MOLLETTE

2024 is here and congratulations – you are here to celebrate!

This is the time of the year when people have made their New Year's resolutions. Typically, the most common is to lose a few pounds.

I suspect you want to lose a couple of pounds. Maybe you need to lose a lot of pounds. Many of us do. From September 1 through December, 27 I gained 15 pounds. I know, that's really bad. I wasn't bad for four months but I had a few good spells of being bad. On September 1st, I weighed 198 pounds. Then on December 27th, I weighed 213 pounds.

My trend started when I had my colonoscopy. My doctor didn't want me to eat any salads and a number of other healthy foods in preparation for my procedure. I had some very happy meals and gained almost two pounds leading up to my test. A couple of family get togethers, a vacation, Thanksgiving and Christmas added up to 15 pounds. Let me tell you, I can tell the difference when I put

my shoes on. Also, developing plantar fasciitis and a sore foot didn't help matters either. Many Americans deal with this occasional foot issue. During flare ups it really hurts to walk.

The only way I'll be able to shed the pounds is to get real religious on my eating. We gain weight by eating too much and we lose weight when we cut back the portions and eat much less. A lot of our eating is habit. We think we have to be eating all the time. Winter months are tough because on cold dreary days and nights we hibernate in front of the TV and think we have to have food going into our mouths.

Consider sane proportional eating. Eat three small meals a day. Women can typically lose weight if they keep the calories to 1200 a day. If you are active then maybe 1400. Aim for three four hundred calorie meals. Men typically can lose on about 1700 calories a day. This gives you three meals at just under 600 per meal. Keep in mind that often, food has more calories than we think.

Another option is to

graze all day. A fitness trainer friend says he eats six times a day, but it's only about 300 calories at a time. The upside to this plan is you are always looking forward to your next little meal. If you like to eat all the time this may be your best plan.

Any activity that you can employ will also help. Winter months are tough so you have to be creative. Walk in place. Clean your house. Do setups while watching television. Do some toe touches, pushups, squats and anything that will get your heart rate up. Gym memberships soar at this time of the year. If you have time to go to the gym it might help you get through the winter. Mentally, it might help you to get out of the house.

I'm with you on this. My hope is to lose one pound a week. Maybe by Easter I'll be back to where I want to be. Drop me a note at GlennMollette.com or gmollette@aol.com and let me know how you are doing and I'll post more later if I have been able to shed my extra pounds. Good luck!



Education is failing America's future by forgetting its past

By JAMIE GASS AND CHRIS SINACOLA

Last year, eighth grade test scores in civics and U.S. history hit record lows. The decline didn't start with pandemic school closings. But they made it worse and revealed its extent.

Less than half of adults can name the three branches of the U.S. government. Another 25% can't name even one. And just over one-third of Americans can pass the U.S. citizenship test.

These sad facts are a reminder that the future success of our nation is far from guaranteed. We must acknowledge the imperfections of our current system and work to reform them -- a challenging but hardly impossible task.

For starters, history curricula should be based on the United States' founding documents: the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, and the Federalist Papers.

Some states have prioritized reading primary sources and writing assignments so that students develop background knowledge, vocabulary, and the ability to advance evidence-based arguments. The 1993 Massachusetts

Education Reform Act, for example, prioritized the study of U.S. history through primary documents in each grade and required passing a U.S. history exam for high school graduation.

South Carolina, California, Alabama, Indiana, and New York have also previously adopted rigorous state standards for history and social science.

In some cases, these reforms were repealed in favor of trendier classes in "social studies." But the principles underlying the 1993 Massachusetts law and others like it got the fundamental questions right. They are worthy of revival.

All states should also require a passing mark on a civics test or the U.S. citizenship exam for a high-school diploma. Today, only eight states do so.

If we're to truly become the educated society the Founders envisioned, we'll have to invest in better training for teachers as well. Most states have dropped even basic requirements for people entering the teaching profession, blaming a shortage of qualified labor.

Finally, the institutes of higher learning that train teachers must convey the centrality of civics and history in a curriculum geared

toward producing good citizens.

Education is the responsibility of state and local actors. Rather than retaining the top-down approach that has led to our current failures, school systems should engage with parents to understand their educational priorities for their children. Expanded school-choice programs can provide the means for parents to go elsewhere when they are dissatisfied with available public education options.

The importance of a nonpartisan, fact-based U.S. history and civics education cannot be overstated. Without one, students will not be able to take their place as informed and engaged citizens dedicated to preserving the legacy of America's Founders.

We know how to provide that sort of education. We just need the will to make it happen. The future of our great country depends on it.

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The Erwins

First Cedar Valley Baptist Church Old Fashioned Revival

Old fashioned Revival at First Cedar Valley Baptist Church, featuring the gospel preaching of evangelist Dennis Erwin and his children in concert at 6 p.m. Jan. 7.

Erwin will preach at the 11 a.m. Jan. 7 service. He will preach nightly at 7 p.m. Jan. 8-10, along with great Southern Gospel singing.

Mr. Erwin has taught thousands of students, pastors, and missionaries on the importance of winning souls to Christ. This is the highest honor that can be given to any evangelist. Dennis was recognized for having served as a full-time evangelist for 43 years, serving in over 1,500 revival meetings across the nation. "It is such an honor to be among my fellow evangelists who have received this award over the years. Dr. Fish is a hero and mentor to all Bible-believing Southern Baptist. I am deeply humbled and thankful to God for the honor of receiving this award. The desire of my heart is to finish out the rest of my service as an evangelist in a manner that is worthy of Dr. Fish and



Evangelist Dennis Erwin

most importantly, of our Lord Jesus," stated Dennis. About The Erwin Siblings

The Erwins' dedication to musical excellence has garnered them numerous accolades and recognition within the industry. The group's Grammy nomination stands as a testament to their exceptional artistry and distinctive sound, while their Dove Award win solidifies their place among Southern Gospel music's finest.

Beyond their musical achievements, The Erwins remain grounded in their faith. Their unwavering commitment to integrity, both on and off the stage, has earned them the respect and admiration of their peers and fans alike.

There is something captivating about the blending and swelling of sibling harmony. When that is combined with pure talent and a servant's heart for people, you have the incomparable ministry of The Erwins.

The Erwins started singing as soon as they were each able to talk. Appearing at over 270 dates a year with their father, who has been in full-time evangelism for nearly 50 years, they have been traveling full-time their entire life singing in concerts, revivals, and conferences across the country.

Three of the four siblings, Keith, Kody, and Kris performed as a trio until 2013, when the group announced that their little sister, Katie, would be joining the group full-time on stage officially making them a Mixed Group.

It is with prayer, determination, and focus that The Erwins are blazing new trails in Southern Gospel, proving to their industry peers and fans alike, that the future of Southern Gospel music is, in fact, secure with a young group like The Erwins.

Dr. Tallamy presented Jan. 8 by the Tonkawa Chapter of the Native Plant Society

Tonkawa Chapter of the Native Plant Society of Texas will gather 5:30 p.m. Jan. 8 at Barrow Brewing Co. with Dr. Doug Tallamy as the featured speaker.

No social is planned for the meeting as the speaker will start at 5:30 p.m.

Dr. Tallamy is the co-founder of Homegrown National Park HomegrownNationalPark.org.

The goal of Homegrown National Parks: "Catalyzing a collective effort of

individual homeowners, property owners, land managers, farmers, and anyone with some soil to plant in... to start a new HABITAT® by planting native plants and removing most invasive plants. It is the largest cooperative conservation project ever conceived or attempted. Our initial goal is 20 million acres of native plantings in the U.S. This represents approximately ½ of the green lawns of privately-owned properties."

Dr. Tallamy's lecture will include a one hour webinar followed by a 30 min. Q & A. For those of you who don't know who Dr. Tallamy is - he is the rock star of native plant environmentalists. He is the T. A. Baker Professor of Agriculture and Natural Resources in the Dept of Entomology and Wildlife Ecology at the University of Delaware. Dr. Tallamy has authored 112 research publications and has taught insect related courses for 42 years.



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10:30a - Sunday School
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6:00p - Kingdom Kids (K-6th)
6:00p - Student Midweek (7th-12th)
6:00p - Adult Bible Studies
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7:00p - Choir/Music Rehearsal

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Temple Commandery #41 Knights Templar installed officers for 2024 on Dec. 30 at the Temple Masonic Center. Several Saladoans were installed into office including Eminent Commander Tim Fleischer. Ric Jernigan, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Texas, installed the officers with Past Commander Randy Clifton serving as Installing Marshall. Shown above are (front row, from left) Justin Hancock, Waco, Junior Warden; Erik Hamm, Groesbeck, Captain General; Tim Fleischer, Salado, Eminent Commander; Matt Fisher, Temple, Captain General; William Arnett, Salado, Senior Warden; Ric Jernigan, PGC, Installing Commander; (second row, from left) Kevin Eubanks, PC, Temple, Prelate; Frank Zepp, PC, Salado, Warden; Randy Clifton, PC, Temple, Recorder, Bill Mills, Temple, Sentinel and Brian Arnett, PC, Sword Bearer. Not shown are Jaycee Negron, Salado, Standard Bearer and Jay Lohman, Killeen, Treasurer. (PHOTO BY MARILYN FLEISCHER)

Republican
Candidate Forum
held Jan. 18
at Civic Center

Brenda Howard, President of Salado Area Republican Women, announces a candidate forum will be held 6 p.m. Jan. 18 at the Salado Civic Center.

Three candidates for District Attorney; three candidates for Sheriff; two candidates for Constable Pct. 2 and one candidate for County Attorney will be allowed to speak in a timed presentation.

Other candidates in other races may introduce themselves and will be presented at future forums by other Republican groups. The event is open to the public at no charge. No reservations are needed.

Munisteri is speaker for Bell
Republican fundraiser Jan. 19

Addie Baird, Chairman of the Republican Party of Bell County, announces a fundraiser for the Republican Party Jan. 19 at the Blue Heron Room of Tenroc Ranch. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with the program beginning at 6 p.m. Many Republican candidates who have filed for the March 3 Primary will be attending

Steve Munisteri

and will be allowed two minutes to discuss their campaign. Guest speaker, Steve Munisteri, will anchor the evening as we hear from Republican Primary candidates. Following dinner will be a live and silent auction to help underwrite aggressive efforts to strengthen Republican Party victories in Bell County, and keep our

County Red. Munisteri was previously Chairman of Republican Party of Texas; served as Assistant to President Trump; and now serves as Senior Advisor to Gov. Abbott. The meal will be catered for by Pignetti’s Restaurant in Temple.

Tickets may be purchased by going to <https://www.belltxgop.org>.

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Salado on the move, pt. 3

Masonic Lodge hauled up the street

Quietly sitting atop the slope of Church St. is the Salado Masonic Lodge #296. Few realize as they drive past that the building traces its history to 1878.

For most of its 155 years, the one-story structure was the top story of the First Baptist Church of Salado. Erected in 1878 on property donated by O.T. Tyler, a member of the church that was originally called Salado Baptist Church of Christ, a charter member of Salado Masonic Lodge #296 and Salado's first Mayor. Judge Tyler's son, George W. Tyler would become a Mason as well. He was a Master of Salado Lodge and is one of two past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Texas. The other past Grand Mas-



(PHOTO COURTESY SALADO MASONIC LODGE)

Built in 1878, this simple two-story frame building housed the First Baptist Church of Salado and Salado Masonic Lodge #296 for a half-century.

ter was Maj. Archibald J. Rose, who was also a member of the Salado Baptist church.

Another member, Dr. Welborn Barton, purchased and then donated the adjoining lot on the west. Upon the donation of those two lots, church members agreed to move the church to the corner of Salado Creek and Main Street. Dr. Barton was also a member of Salado Masonic Lodge #296 and served as its Secretary for many years. His son Sam Houston Barton would one day be a Master of Salado Lodge.

The Baptist Church held title to the lower story, used as the young church's first sanctuary. The Masons held title to the upper story.

It was a wooden, two-story building that had been built jointly by the church and the Masonic Fraternity of Salado. The lodge used the top floor as their meeting place, and the church used the bottom floor. This humble structure would be the first of three sanctuaries that the church would build.

The second sanctuary, a yellow brick building designed to seat 250 people, was constructed in 1958.

During this church rebuilding and enlargement program, the question came up as to how to dispose of the interest of the Lodge in the old building. This problem was solved by literally sawing off the upper half of the building and moving it to, and setting it up as a Lodge room a short distance away on some land donated to the Lodge by Bro. Charlton E. Johnson, Past Master of Salado Masonic Lodge.

Johnson owned the old Tyler house on Main St., which has recently undergone an extensive restoration, in which Judge Tyler and his family lived while his children attended Salado College.

Bro. Johnson donated approximately a twelfth of an acre behind the old Tyler house and the brothers cut the top story of the building off and hauled it up the hill, pulled on beams by pickup trucks. The Salado Lodge got special dispensation to "move the charter" to Zerine Lodge #615 in nearby Holland in order to continue meeting until the building was moved and reopened.

Today, the Brothers of Salado Masonic Lodge #296 continue the tradition of being a Moon Lodge, which means they meet on the Monday on or Before the full moon. Above the front door of the lodge is a six-foot horn that Bro. Johnson would blow to call the Brothers to Lodge.

These photos are property of the Lodge, taken at the time that the building was moved to its current location.

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Village of Salado Calendar of Events

Mondays
Salado Senior Center open 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Mondays at 650 Royal St. (Salado United Methodist Church Youth Activity Center). Coffee Corner and Game Time, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Pickleball Courts open, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Chair Yoga with Joette Grieco, 9-10 a.m.; Dominoes 42, 10 a.m.-noon; Stretching (Beginner Yoga) with Gary, 10:15 a.m.; Bridge, 12:30-3 p.m.
Village Artists- knitters, crocheters and stitchers meet, 1-4 p.m. Salado Village Artists' red building behind the Civic Center.
Bikes & Brews, 6:30 p.m. for a no-drop ride, Barrow Brewing Co.
Floor practice at Salado Masonic Lodge #296, 95 S. Church St., 6:30 p.m. except on Stated Meeting nights.
Open Mic with Ryan White, at Chupacabra, 7 p.m.
Tonkawa Chapter Native Plant Society of Texas meeting, 6 p.m., first Monday of month, Barrow Brewing Co.
Second Monday Book Club meets at 7 p.m. at Salado Winery, 841 N. Main St.
Salado Democrats meet the third Monday of each month, 7 p.m., in the conference room of Salado Public Library.
Tuesdays
Village Artists- artists and crafters meet 9:30-11:30 a.m. Salado Village Artists' red building behind the Civic Center.
Knitting Group at Salado Public Library, 10 a.m.
Storytime with Ms. Mia at Salado Public Library, 11 a.m.
Tuesday Night Prix Fixe at Alexander's Craft Cocktails + Kitchen. \$16.95 for entree, dessert and glass of wine. Prix Fixe menu changes weekly. Visit Alexander's Facebook page for weekly updates on Prix Fixe. Reservations encouraged.
Trivia with Rockin Rick, at Chupacabra, 7-9 p.m.
Wednesdays
Guest food truck day at Barrow Brewing Co., 4-9 p.m.
Game Night at Barrow Brewing Co., 4-9 p.m. Trivia with Chad on second Wed.
Wine Down Wednesday at Alexander's Craft Cocktails & Kitchen, 5-7 p.m., Half price on select bottles of wine, featured wine by the glass and feature cocktail specials change weekly.
Karaoke, 7-10 p.m. at Chupacabra.
Thursdays
Salado Senior Center open 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursdays at 650 Royal St. (Salado United Methodist Church Youth Activity Center). Coffee Corner and Game Time, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Exercise class with Alice Cooper, 9 a.m. Chair Tai Chi with Rich Trautman, 10-11 a.m. Learn to Play Mah Jongg, 10 a.m.-noon; Dominoes 42, 10 a.m.-noon. Mah Jongg, 12-3 p.m. Beginner or Refresher Bridge, noon-2 p.m. Bridge, 12:30-3 p.m. Bingo 1-2:30 p.m.
Pint night at Chupacabra, 4 p.m.-midnight.
Vinyl Nite with Shannon at Barrow Brewing Co., 5 p.m.
Teen Writing Group, Salado Public Library, 6 p.m.
Run Club, 6:30 p.m., Barrow Brewing Co.
Weekly curated wine tasting hosted by Hannah Hendrick 6-8 p.m. at Salado Winery, 841 N. Main St. Tickets available online through Salado Winery Eventbrite <https://bit.ly/3MLXXOA>. Call 254-947-8011 or check Facebook for more information.
Maxx Carter at Chupacabra, 6-10 p.m.
Bikes & Brews, 6:30 p.m. for a no-drop ride, Barrow Brewing Co.
Run4Beer Group, 6:30 p.m., Barrow Brewing Co.
Family Night at The Shed, specials on beer and pizzas change every week.
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.
Live Music at Axis Winery, 3-6 p.m.
Live Music at Chupacabra Craft Beers, 7-11 p.m.
Live Music at Barrow Brewing Co. 7 p.m.
Saturdays
Asanas and Ales, 9 a.m. every Saturday in the taproom at Barrow Brewing Co.
Live Music at Axis Winery, 2-5 p.m.
Live Music at Barrow Brewing, 7 p.m.
Live Music at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 8 p.m.
Sundays
Live Music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m.
January 4
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Bold Republic.
January 4
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.
January 4
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., Frankie G.
January 5
No storytime at Salado Library.
January 5
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., Wes Perryman.
January 5
Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m. David Matthew Harness.
January 6
Mini DIY Disco Balls, Salado Public Library, 10:30 a.m.
January 6
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., Denny Cullinan.
January 6
Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m. Josh Jaccard.
January 7
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m., Eley Buck.
January 7-10
Old fashioned Revival at First Cedar Valley Baptist Church, featuring the gospel preaching of Dennis Erwin at 11 a.m. Jan. 7 and 7 p.m. Jan. 8-10. Special concert featuring The Erwins at 6 p.m. Jan. 7.
January 8
Monday Book Club, Salado Public Library, 2 p.m.
January 9
Adults Bingo, Salado Public Library, 1 p.m.
January 10
Adults Lunch and Learn, Salado Public Library, 11 a.m.
January 10
Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Cousins Maine Lobster.
January 10
Salado Masonic Lodge #296 Called Meeting, 7 p.m., 95 S. Church St., to review proposed resolutions.
January 11
Tween Book Club, Salado Public Library, 2:30 p.m.
January 11
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Southern Roots.
January 11
Teens Young Adults Crafters Workshop, Salado Public Library, 4:30 p.m.
January 11
Adults True Crime Book Club, Salado Public Library, 6 p.m.
January 11
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., Lilly Milford.
January 11
Around the World Dinner Series at Alexander's Distillery, 6:30 p.m. Reservations online through eventbrite.

com for \$100 (includes tax and gratuity or \$1,000 for annual passport) for five course themed dinner. This month's Destination, South Korea.
January 12
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., Way-worn Traveler.
January 12
Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m. Kyle Mathis.
January 13
The Bell County Master Gardener Association presents a hands-on workshop "Seed Starting" on Saturday, January 13 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Texas Agrilife Extension Office, BCMGA Learning Center, 1605 N. Main St., Belton. Certified Master Gardener Wayne Schirner will discuss the requirements for seed germination and how to grow seedlings. You will receive information on when to start seeds to have transplants at the proper time. Wayne will discuss dense seed planting as well as optional things that can assist in seed starting. You will plant seeds that you will be able to take home to germinate and plant in your spring vegetable garden. Class Limit: 20. Class Fee: \$20. Register at bcmgaspeakers@gmail.com Registration closes on Jan 10.
January 13
Heart and Hands Ministries food distribution to those in need in the Salado, Holland, Bartlett area, 9-11 a.m., 213 Mill Creek Drive, Suite 135.
January 13
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., Mark Dennison.
January 13
Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m. Keith Kallina.
January 13-14
Salado Market Days, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Salado Antique Mall, 721 Stagecoach Road. Salado's original Market Days event.
January 14
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m., Anna Larson.
January 15
Salado ISD Board of Trustees meeting, 6 p.m., Salado Civic Center.
January 16
Adult Craft: No Sew Blankets, Salado Public Library, 2 p.m.
January 17
Music Munchkins, Salado Public Library, 10 a.m.
January 17
Adults Book Swap, Salado Public Library, 1 p.m.
January 17
Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Check-point Germany.
January 18
Thursday Book Club, Salado Public Library, 2 p.m.
January 18
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Karbach.
January 18
Teens Young Adults Crafters Workshop, Salado Public Library, 4:30 p.m.
January 18
Candidate Forum for County DA, Sheriff and Constable by Salado Area Republican Women. 6:00 p.m., Salado Civic Center.
January 18
The Bell County Master Gardener Association is hosting a free monthly seminar on "Container Vegetable Gardening" on Thursday, January 18 from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Texas Agrilife Extension Office, BCMGA Learning Center, 1605 N. Main St., Belton. Certified Master Gardener Kathy Love will feature research based tips on how to grow your favorite veggies from tomatoes to squash in containers, even on apartment patios! The size of the containers is essential for each variety so come learn what each needs. Class Limit: 50 Please register at bcmgaspeakers@gmail.com Donations are appreciated to support continuing education opportunities in Bell County.
January 18
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., Frankie G.
January 18
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.
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January 26
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., J&J Breakaway.

January 26
Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., Kelany Brent.

January 27
Heart and Hands Ministries food distribution to those in need in the Salado, Holland, Bartlett area, 9-11 a.m., 213 Mill Creek Drive, Suite 135.

January 27
Seventh Annual Australia Day at Barrow Brewing Co. Australians and Texans have a lot in common and Barrow Brewing Co. is joining in the celebration of this awesome country/continent.

January 27
The Joy of Chocolate at Salado Public Library. Come and view and taste chocolate creations by amateur Salado chocolatiers. Public view and sample 2-4 p.m.

January 27
Live music at Barrow

Brewing Co., 6 p.m., Everett Wren.

January 27
Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m., Cami Maki.

January 28
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m., Jake Waylon.

January 31
Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Cousins Maine Lobster.

February 1
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., TBD.

February 2
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., Morgan Lee Powers.

February 3
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Natalie Metcalf.

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

February 8
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., Mijail Martinez.

February 8
Around the World Dinner Series at Alexander's Distillery, 6:30 p.m. Reservations online through eventbrite.com for \$100 (includes tax and gratuity or \$1,000 for annual passport) for five course themed dinner. This month's Destination, Palermo, Italy.

February 9
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., Lilly Milford.

February 10
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., Denny Cullinan.

February 10-11
Salado Market Days, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Salado Antique Mall, 721 Stagecoach Road. Salado's original Market Days event.

February 11
Live music at Barrow

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Brewing Co., 4 p.m., TBD.

February 14
Valentine's in Salado. Don't forget this year. Book your reservations early in Salado's inns and restaurants.

February 15
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., TBD.

February 16
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., Austin Mayse.

February 17
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., TBD.

February 18
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m., Jim & Hilary.

February 22
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., Frankie G.

February 22-24
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tures: House on 401 Center Circle from Georgetown, the Farr House from Belton, and the Historic Methodist Church on Royal from Thomas Arnold. The Dodds Creek Bridge, once in Coryell County, found a new home thanks to the citizens proactive efforts. Other instances of successful moves include the Inn on the Creek at 602 Center Circle, the Boles-Aiken log cabin, and the Denman log cabin from the Belton area on 101 Van Bibber Rd., and the Veranda from Lampasas, now housing the First Texas Brokerage office. The Reed log cabin on 821 Main St., the Masonic Lodge 296, Band building from Belton at

112 Royal, two Salado Square buildings from Santa Anna and San Angelo. All stand as testament to the citizens commitment to preserving its historic architectural treasures from this area.

By invoking these examples, the plea to move the 1908 Old Church Place becomes a call to uphold Salado's longstanding tradition of architectural and historic preservation. The Village's proven track record demonstrates not only a capability but also a civic duty to protect and relocate structures that embody central Texas history.

Preserving the 1908 Old Church Place is not merely

an investment in a building; it is an investment in Salado's narrative, a commitment to passing down a vibrant cultural legacy to future generations. As the Salado Historical Society presses forward with its efforts, Salado citizens are urged to consider the pivotal role they can play in securing this legacy, ensuring that the 1908 Old Church Place continues to stand as a living testament to Salado's pioneer rich history for years to come.

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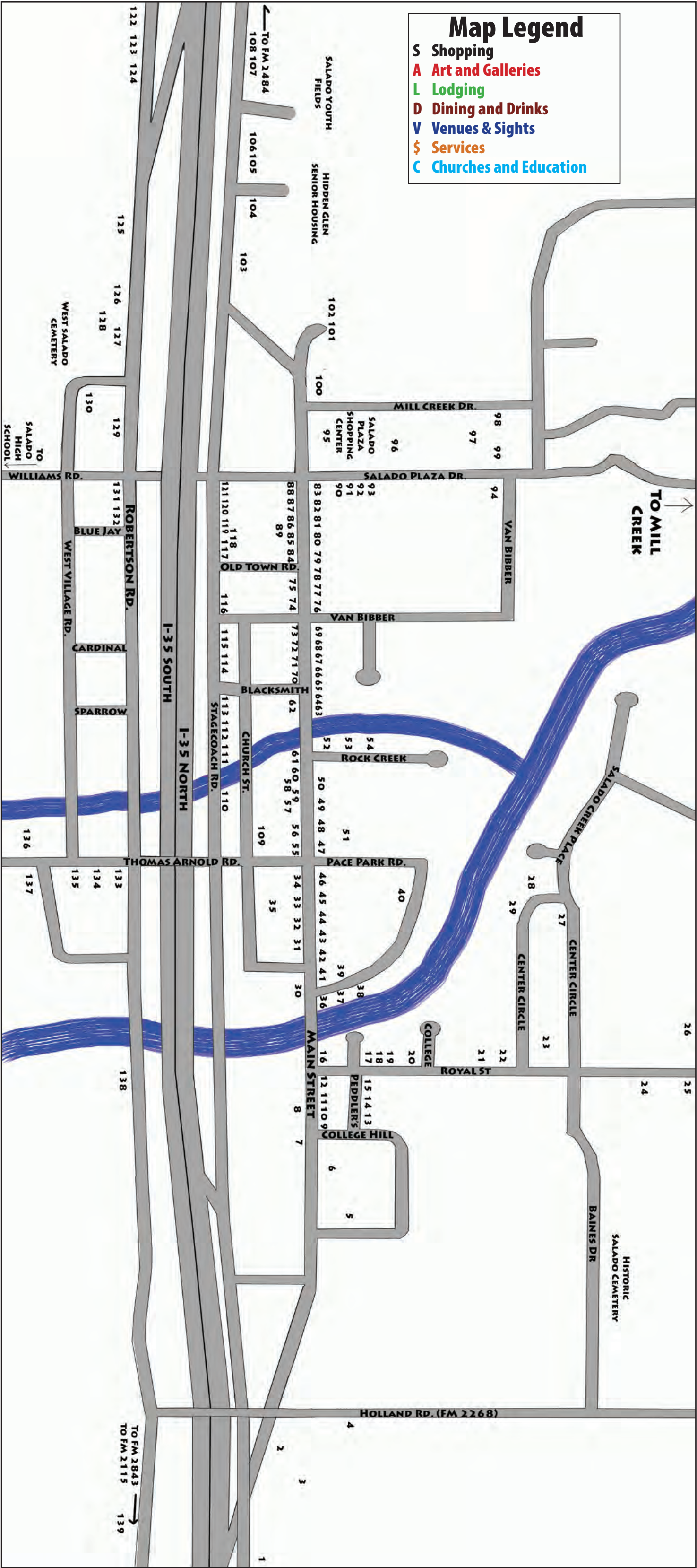
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Historical Markers in Salado

6. Salado Historic College Hill

8. Shady Villa Hotel (Stagecoach Inn)

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46. Old Saloon

48. The Norton-Orgain House

50. The Barton House

51. The Levi Tenney House

55. The Armstrong Adams House
61. Historic Lenticular Bridge

49. The Vickrey House

76. Boles-Aiken & Denman Cabins

77. The Robert B. Halley House

79. The Reed Cabin

100. The Josiah Fowler House



Lady Eagles soccer are (front row, from left) Sydney Lange, Cade Harris, Taylor Dabney, Leyla Peralta, Rachel Bender, Reese Lange, Skylar Gardner, Izzy Blancaflor; (back row, from left) Emily Lemus, Cambry Edmondson, Madyson Rosamond, JT Taylor, Kinsey Yawn, Lexi Rice, Shelby Hollywood, Madelyn Serna, Cassie Vargas, Sofia Cadenas

Lady Eagles beat Marble Falls, Ellison

Salado Varsity Lady Eagles Soccer team faced off against the Marble Falls Mustangs over Christmas break.

Quickly into the match, defender Cassie Vargas sent a ball down the field into junior Shelby Hollywood's unstoppable path. Hollywood scored the Lady Eagle's first point. Then when the ball was sent down the field and was thought to be rolling out, Hollywood showed her speed and raced down the field retrieving the ball just before it went out. She sent the ball across the box for forward Skylar Gardner who scored the second point. Once again Cassie Vargas sent a beautiful cross which Izzy Blancaflor put away for the third and final point.

"Our ladies didn't score in the second half, but they worked together to defend our half and keep the Mustangs scoreless. Taylor Dabney and Cambry Edmondson shared the shutout in goal," Coach Michael Goos said. "Finally, props to sophomore Mady Serna for her constant hustle and dedication in today's game. Our Lady Eagles are definitely kicking off the season right!"

As pre-season continues for the JV Lady Eagles, they continue to dominate. The JV girls had a 6-0 win against the Marble Falls

Mustangs. Lucy Johnson kicked the game off with a hat trick, scoring three goals, one being assisted by Eva Alcozer. Britany Hernandez put another point up on the board with the help of Kenadi Smith's assist. Kenadi then went on to stick two more in the back of the net. Hannah Amani and Amirah Amani shared the shutout in goal, with the support of their rock solid defense.

"Shout out to Emma Terwilliger for a great game," Coach Amy Thomas said. "Keep up the good work!"

The Varsity Lady Eagles soccer team came out on fire after the long break in their game against the Ellison Lady Eagles on Dec. 30.

The match started strong with a cross from Cassie Vargas which Rachel Bender hit to Shelby Hollywood, who put the ball away for the first point of the game. Sydney Lange scored again from an assist by Shelby Hollywood. Soon after there was another goal from Hollywood. Junior Skylar Gardner scored from Izzy Blancaflor. Then Blancaflor scored off of Gardner's ball. Shelby Hollywood made her third point of the game from Sydney Lange's assist. That wasn't enough for Hollywood who played a ball across the box for Rylee Young. Then Izzy Blancaflor scored from a cross off Cadence Harris. Blanca-

flor scored her third point from another ball by Skylar Gardner. To finish off the game Reese Lange streaked up the field and finished with a powerful goal.

"These ladies were unstoppable today and the 10-0 score really shows it," Coach Michael Goos said. "They were in control all across the field. The score is certainly impressive but the shutout by goalies Taylor Dabney and Cambry Edmondson and the defense is equally amazing! Well done, ladies! We can't wait for the next game!"

It was a Lady Eagle vs Lady Eagle battle as Salado JV took on Ellison Dec. 30. The Salado girls dominated on the field for a final 8-0 victory. The goal scoring started off with Eva Alcozer with an assist from Sasha Hoppe. Kenadi Smith followed with three goals of her own. Avery Hibner joined in on the rally by adding two goals to the score. Then Savannah Carroll found the back of the net yet again. Annabelle Schwartz sent in a beautiful corner and Presley Goos finished the day off with one last goal. "Hannah Amani and Amirah Amani shared the shutout in goal, proving not only how triumphant the offense played today but also how strong the defense was," Coach Amy Thomas said.

Eagles 1-3 in F'burg

Salado Eagles went one of four in the Fredericksburg tournament.

	1	2	3	4	F
SHS	20	8	9	10	47
CLHS	9	18	14	14	55

Salado lost to Canyon Lake 55-47 on Dec. 28.

Scoring were Levi Ball, 17 points, 7 rebounds, 2 assists, a steal and 5 blocks; Mason Brown, 8 points, 3 rebounds, an assist; Kase Maedgen, 6 points, a rebound, 2 assists; BJ Amann, 5 points, 5 rebounds, an assist; Colby Ramm, 5 points, 4 rebounds, an assist; Gabriel Merriman, 3 points, 5 rebounds, 2 assists, 4 deflections, a steal and a block; Korbin Konarik, 3 points, 2 rebounds, an assist, 4 deflections;

	1	2	3	4	F
SHS	11	16	13	12	52
HHHS	17	22	14	25	78

Salado lost to Huffman Hargrave 78-52 Dec. 28.

Scoring were Ball, 18 points, 10 rebounds, 2 assists, a deflection and 2 blocks; Brown, 7 points, 4 rebounds, an assist; Konarik, 7 points, 4 rebounds and an assist; Kase Maedgen, 4 points, 4 assists and a steal; Mekhi Lanier, 4 points; Gabriel Merriman, 2 points, 4 rebounds, 5 assists, a deflection and 2 steals; BJ

Amann, 2 points, 4 rebounds; Nathan Tanner, 2 points.

	1	2	3	4	F
SHS	11	19	14	22	66
GHS	14	10	18	15	57

Salado beat Graham 66-57 Dec. 29.

Scoring were Ramm, 15 points, 2 rebounds, 3 assists, 2 deflections, 3 steals and a block; Ball, 14 points, 13 rebounds, 8 assists, 3 deflections, a steal and a block; Amann, 10 points, 6 rebounds, 2 deflections, a steal and a block; Brown, 10 points, 5 rebounds, a deflection, a steal and a block; Konarik, 9 points, an assist, a deflection; Maedgen, 6 points, 2 rebounds, 3 assists, 2 deflections and a steal; Dawson Barksdale, 2 points, a rebound a deflection and 2 steals.

	1	2	3	4	F
SHS	11	18	6	13	48
FHS	18	16	13	11	58

Salado lost 58-48 to Fredericksburg on Dec. 29.

Scoring for Salado: Ramm, 20 points, a rebound, an assist; Brown, 13 points, 3 rebounds, 5 assists, 2 deflections; Ball, 8 points, 3 rebounds, an assist, a steal, 2 blocks; Amann, 5 points, 4 rebounds 2 assists, 2 deflection; Konarik, 2 points, 7 rebounds, 4 assists, a deflection.

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Thad Heckman advances the ball past Milton Velasquez of Bastrop. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

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Eagles start with wins over Taylor, Bastrop

Salado Eagles beat Taylor and Bastrop by 5-1 over Christmas break.

The Eagles beat Taylor 5-1 with goals from Thad Heckman, two, Cody Roquemore, Luke Anderson, and Gabe Merriman. Assists came from Jackson Husung, DaMonte Foster, Cody Roquemore, and Thad Heckman.

The Eagles beat Bastrop 5-1 with goals from Luke Anderson, two, Thad Heckman, Daniel Anderson, and Devonte Foster. Assists came from Gabe Merriman, Kyler Stock, Thad Heckman, and Luke Anderson.

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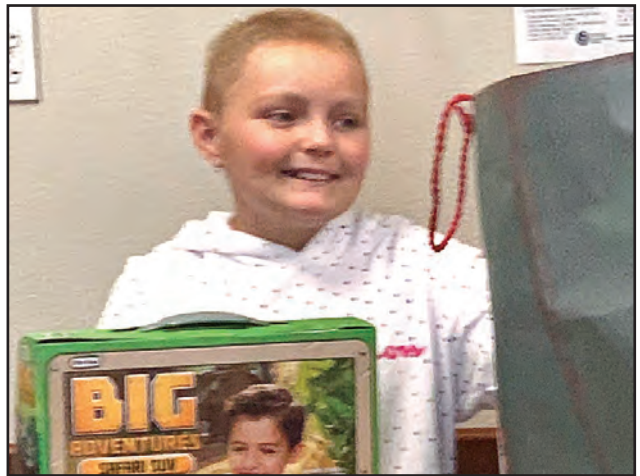
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Football awards given at banquet

Salado Eagles were honored at an awards banquet Dec. 11.

Several players were named to the Academic All State by the Texas High School Coaches Association.

Players, managers and trainers with 92 and above grade point average from their freshman year through football season of their senior year.

Second team: Dawson Barksdale, Lucas Beyer, Josh Barker, Davis Graham, Kase Maedgen and Allison Alcoves (trainer).

Honorable mention Morgan Olson (manager), Jessica Soto (trainer) and James Renick

Players were named to the District 11-4A All District football team.

Running back Kase Maedgen was named to the first team offense. Maedgen carried the ball 154 times for 800 yards and seven touchdowns. He also caught 19 passes for 248 yards and 3 touchdowns.

Linebacker Phoenix Flores was named to the first defense. Flores made 60 solo tackles and 52 assisted tackles. He also had four tackles for loss and caused a fumble.

Punter Sulley Anderson was named to the first team. Anderson punted nine times for 361 yards with an average of 40.1 yards per punt. His long was 59 yards.

Wide receiver Brendan Wilson was named to the second team. Wilson caught 40 passes for 600 yards and six touchdowns.

Defensive end Dawson Barksdale was named to the second team. He had 19 solo tackles and 13 assisted tackles.

Receiving honorable mention were wide receiver Morgan Adams, offensive lineman Josh Barker, outside linebacker Dusty Rhiddlehoover and outside linebacker Davis Graham.

Team awards were also presented, chosen by the varsity players.

Offensive MVP was Kase Maedgen.

Defensive MVP was Phoenix Flores.

Special Teams MVP was Javier Miranda.

Linemen of the Year was Josh Barker.

Team MVP was Kase Maedgen.



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Senior running back Kase Maedgen was named to the District 11-4A All District football team. He was also chosen as the Eagles Team MVP and Offensive MVP.



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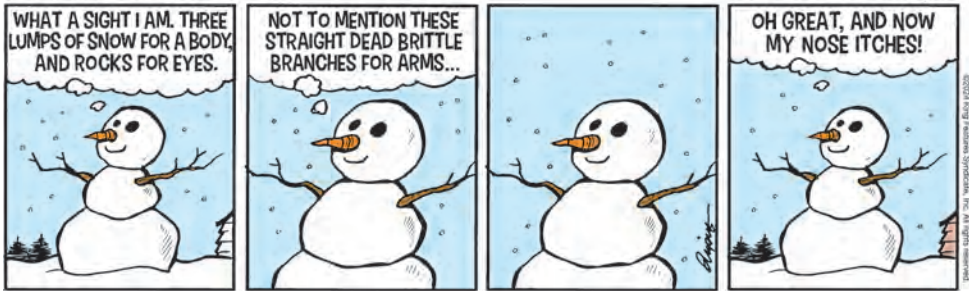
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♦	6
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♠	7 4
♥	J 5 3
♦	Q 9 8 5 4
♣	Q 10 9
EAST	
♠	K Q 9 8 2
♥	Q 10 8 4
♦	A 7 2
♣	6
SOUTH	
♠	A 6 3
♥	A K 7 6
♦	K J 10 3
♣	J 4

The bidding:
East 1 ♠ South Dble West Pass North 3 ♣
Pass 3 NT
Opening lead — seven of spades.

Assume you reach three notrump on the bidding shown and West leads the seven of spades. East covers dummy's ten with the queen, and the question is how to proceed from here.

Clearly, your best move at this point is to duck East's queen. If you won the trick, you would subject yourself to the possibility that West might later gain the lead and return a spade through

dummy's J-5. After you duck the queen, East shifts to the deuce of diamonds. You don your thinking cap again and then put up the king. Granting the possibility that East might have the A-Q of diamonds, it is surely wiser to play the king than the jack. You should not jeopardize the contract by playing the jack, because East is virtually certain to have the ace of diamonds for his opening bid.

When the king of diamonds holds, you next lead the jack of clubs, planning to play low from dummy if West follows low. This play guarantees the contract even if East wins the trick with the queen. In the actual case, though, West covers the jack of clubs with the queen -- and you duck it!

The composite effect of your first three plays is that you wind up making the contract. Dummy's six club tricks are more than the defenders can cope with, and you are sure to come home with at least nine tricks.

But note that if you won the first spade or did not play the king of diamonds at trick two, or took West's queen of clubs with the king at trick three, the outcome would be altogether different. You would fail to make three notrump because you did not clear all three critical hurdles.

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by Steve Becker

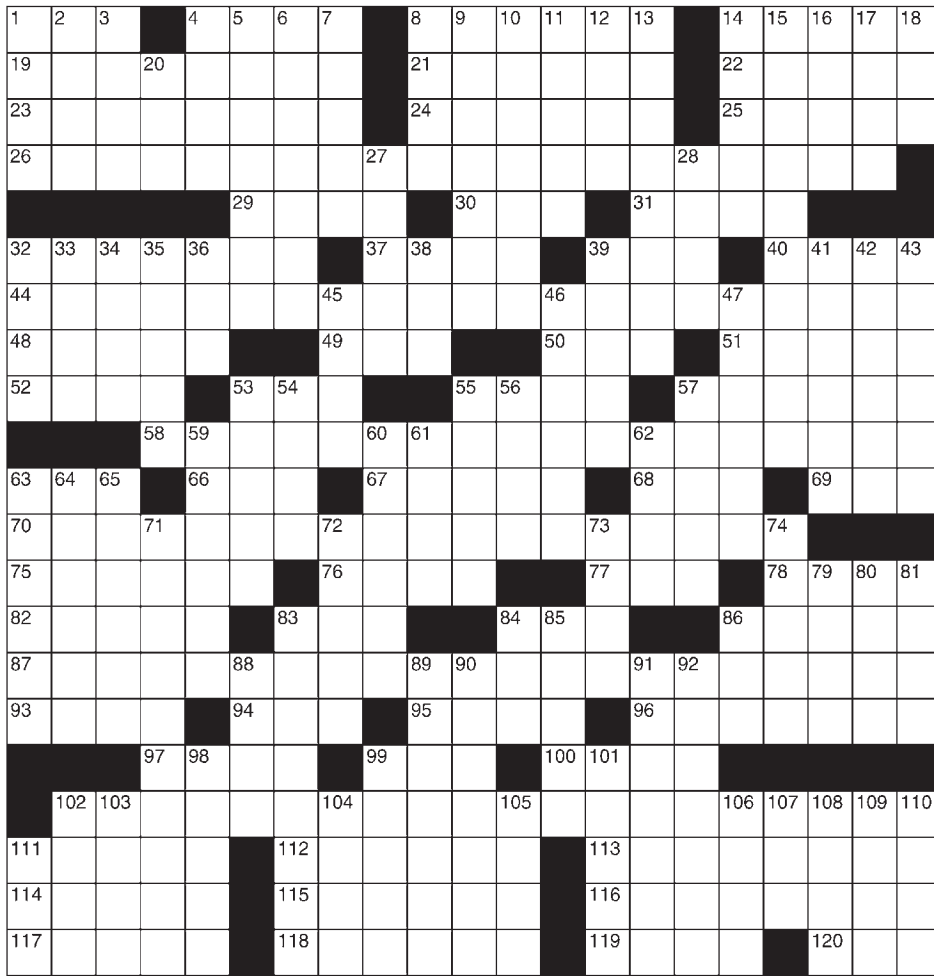
Super Crossword

CALCULATING CHARACTERS

- ACROSS**

1 Pet doc
4 "Come again?"
8 Treats maliciously
14 Tennis player Borg
19 Narcissist's problem
21 Actress Address
22 Ate, as prey
23 Football Hall of Famer Bronko
24 Arrive on wheels
25 Frankie or Cleo of song
26 Start of a riddle
29 Noise in a comic book gunfight
30 Exotica singer Sumac
31 "The Human Stain" novelist Philip
32 Cure-all
37 Race of people in an H.G. Wells novella
39 Some sorority letters
40 Donations to the destitute
44 Riddle, part 2
48 Like much greasy food
- 49 See 83-Across
50 Corp. leader
51 Skip over, as a vowel
52 World War II film, when tripled
53 Charged bit
55 Place — (be active on eBay, say)
57 Cheap cigar
58 Riddle, part 3
63 Simile middle
66 Chaney of film
67 Song-beltin' Merman
68 On a pension, maybe: Abbr.
69 Military draft gp.
70 Riddle, part 4
75 ZZ Top album whose name is Spanish for "The Crazy One"
- 84 "Yes" vole
86 Early arcade giant
87 End of the riddle
93 — Flush (bathroom brand)
94 Architect I.M. —
95 Made angry
96 Florida fruits
97 R&B great Marvin
99 Not at all new
100 Golf club
102 Riddle's answer
111 Stalin-era labor camp
112 Polecat's kin
113 Urge against
114 Muscat native
115 Do over
116 Office squawker
117 Fender dings
118 Mimics a mad mutt
119 Helper of Frankenstein
120 Inventor Whitney
- DOWN**

1 "—, vidi, vici"
2 "The Keep" novelist Jennifer
3 Forum wear
4 Angel's instrument
5 Drunk
6 Writer Gogol
7 Third-largest city in Israel
8 Ride a wave
9 Eighth-brightest star in the sky
10 Like a hajji's religion
11 Second-largest city in Oklahoma
12 Charles Lamb's alias
13 Bay Area California city
14 Equivalent of A sharp
15 Lee Tracy's "Bombshell" co-star
16 Like praiseful poetry
17 Gossipy Barrett
18 Bakersfield-to-Boise dir.
20 Letters before 39-Across
27 Swiss watch brand
28 Clueless
32 Fizzle sound
33 Sleek, informally
34 Hair removal brand
35 Top squad
36 Mooer's mouthful
38 On the — (fleeing)
- 39 "— say more?"
41 Actresses Vivien and Janet
42 In — res (mid-plot)
43 Clay pigeons to be shot, informally
45 Three x three
46 Frozen spear
47 Eats away at
53 "Were — it all over again ..."
54 "It can't be!"
55 One of the Three Musketeers
56 Nickname for singer Justin, with "the"
57 Derisive smile
59 One of the three Furies
60 R&R alone
61 "— boy!"
62 Pisa's river
63 Nuclear trials, for short
64 Class of antimicrobial drugs, in the British spelling
65 Actress Sorkin who once hosted "America's Funniest People"
71 Like animals that don't roam
72 So-called "fifth taste"
73 Apartment near the super's, perhaps
74 Mesh well
79 Piquancy
80 Ontario tribe
81 Cat's warning
83 Pittsburgh footballers
84 "Chances —"
85 "Catch my drift, bro?"
86 Pie-mode link
88 1974 CIA parody film
89 More lacteal
90 Not cardinal, as a number
91 Plundering
92 Writer Sabato
98 Patronage
99 "— Loompa"
101 Half-diameters
102 Journalist Brit
103 Zing
104 Lucy Liu's "Kill Bill" role
105 Insect traps
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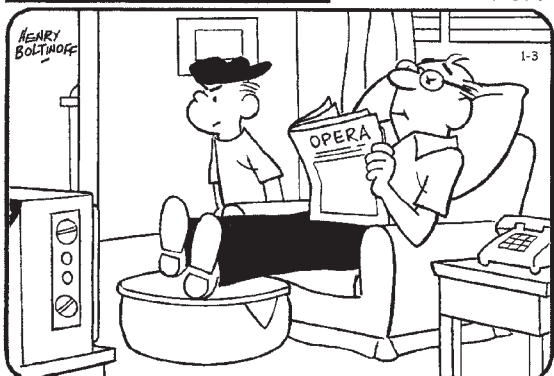


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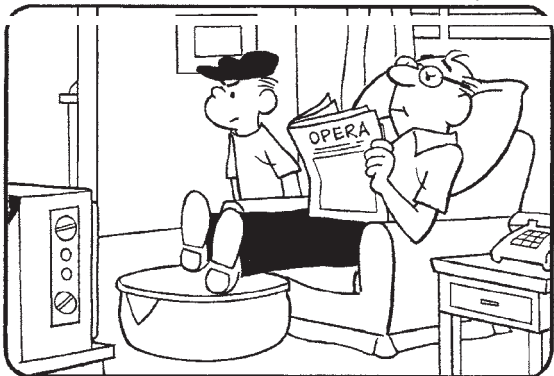
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Answers

Super Crossword

Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: When is Three King's Day celebrated typically?
- TELEVISION: In the drama series "Mad Men," what product is presumed to be Don Draper's last advertisement?
- GEOGRAPHY: What is a chain or collection of islands called?
- MOVIES: To which city is the McCallister family traveling in the holiday classic "Home Alone"?
- LEGAL: What is a moot court?
- LITERATURE: What is the name of the heroine in "The Scarlet Letter"?
- FOOD & DRINK: What kind of nut is used in marzipan?
- MUSIC: What is the gift on the 11th day in the song "The Twelve Days of Christmas"?
- SCIENCE: How much of the Earth's surface is covered with water?
- HISTORY: What are the two Japanese cities that the United States hit with atomic bombs in WWII?

Answers

- Jan. 6, the 12th day of Christmas.
- Coca-Cola.
- An archipelago.
- Paris, France.
- A simulated court to give law students a chance to practice what they have learned.
- Hester Prynne.
- Almond.
- 11 pipers piping.
- Almost 71%.
- Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

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by Linda Thistle

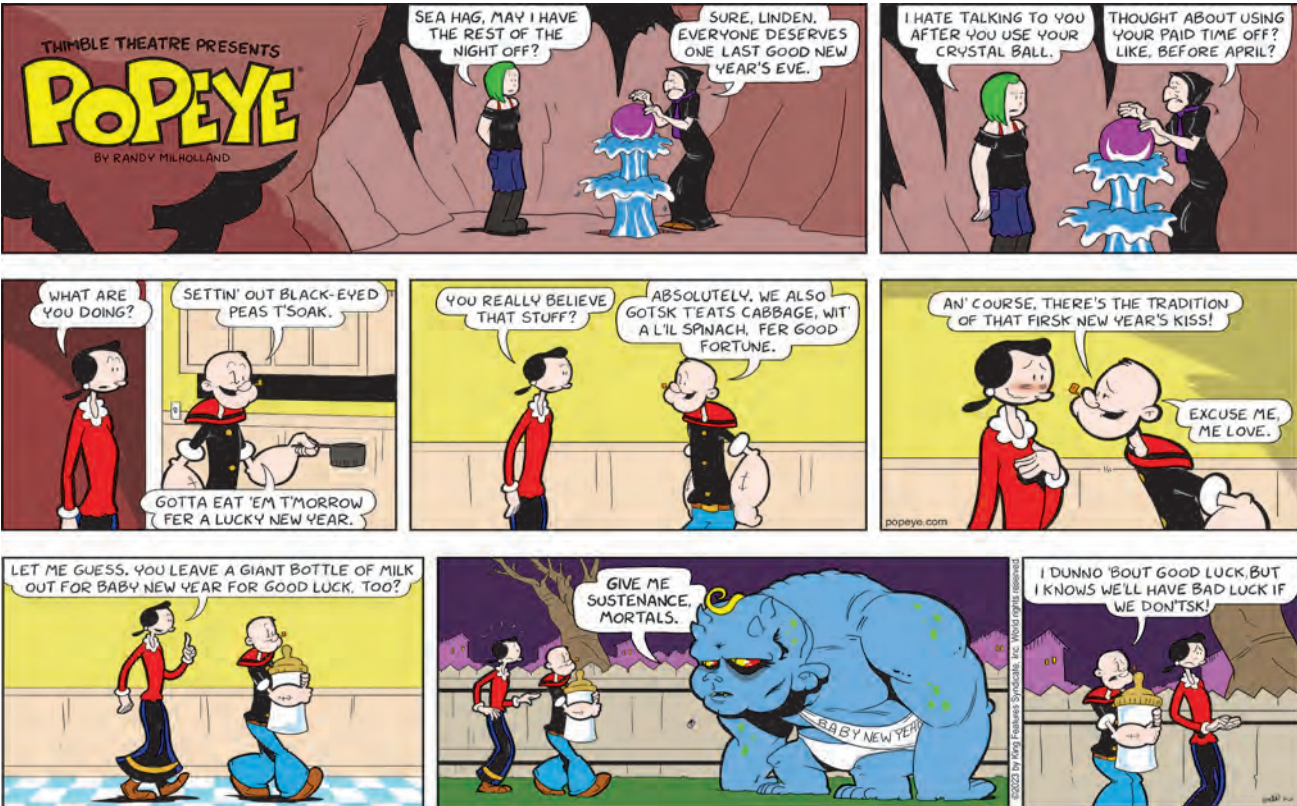
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12/24	Hill Road, Salado	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
12/24	YELLOW ROSE DR, Bell	Assist invalid
12/24	MEADOW CREST DR, Bell	Smoke detector activation, no fire
12/25	SALADO PLAZA DR, Salado	Dispatched & canceled en route
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12/26	FM 2843, Bell	EMS call, excluding MVA with injury
12/26	VIA LAGO, Bell	Smoke detector activation malfunction
12/26	S IH-35, N/B RD, Salado	Dispatched & canceled en route
12/26	FM 2484, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
12/26	YELLOW ROSE DR, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
12/27	MOUNTAIN DR, Bell	Assist invalid
12/28	HARE RD, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
12/29	SHADY LN, Belton	Dispatched & canceled en route
12/29	FM 2484, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
12/29	IH-35, S/B, W Frontage Rd., Salado	Motor vehicle accident with injuries
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Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m., and the program will be from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Milam County Youth Exposition Building, 301 S. Houston Ave.

Registration is \$20 and an RSVP is requested for a meal count by Jan. 4. To RSVP, contact the AgriLife Extension office in Milam County at 254-697-7045. One Texas Department of Agriculture general continuing education unit will be available for those needing renewal of their private applicator licenses.

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2023 beef cattle market update and what can we expect to pay for replacements? – Jason Johnson, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension economist and associate professor in the Department of Agricultural Economics, Stephenville.

Pasture restoration and re-establishment following drought – Vanessa Corriher-Olson, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension forage specialist and professor in the Department of Soil and Crop Sciences, Overton.

Planning for extended winters: Feed alternatives, barn and equipment preparations — Ron Gill, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension livestock specialist and pro-

fessor in the Department of Animal Science, Bryan-College Station.

Herd health demonstration: What needs to be done, why to do it and the value it adds – Jason Cleere, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension beef cattle specialist and associate professor in the Department of Animal Science, Bryan-College Station.

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