

BCESD #1 proposes \$.098277 tax rate

Bell County Emergency Services District #1 will hold a public hearing 6 p.m. Sept. 19 at the Salado Fire Department, 3520 FM 2484 for a proposed tax rate of \$0.098277 per \$100 valuation.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Bell County E.S.D. No. 1 is not required to hold an election at which voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate.

The no-new-revenue tax rate is \$0.077610 per \$100 valuation. The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2024 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Bell County E.S.D. No. 1 from the same properties in both the 2023 tax year and the 2024 tax year.

Commissioners Mark McGraw, Mark Huppert, Toby Hatton and Steve Malace voted in favor of the proposed tax rate. Commissioner Kim Bird was absent.

The proposed tax rate will fund an operating budget of \$1.36 million for fire department operations. Of that, \$1.16 million will be for salaries and benefits. The budget will fund the hiring of six full-time firefighters to allow the department to have two firefighters at the station for 24 hour protection.

E.S.D. administration costs are \$181,615.00.

Capital expenditures are \$425,000, including \$275,000 for a pumper, \$25,000 for turnout equipment and \$125,000 for other equipment.

The debt service fund will include \$379,105.18 in capital lease payments.

Bell Co. ESD #1 Proposed FY 2025 Budget

Income	
Real Estate Taxes	\$2,034,477.22
Other Income	\$1,000.00
Total Income	\$2,035,477.22
Expenses	
ESD Administration	
Commissioners' expenses	\$7,560.00
Insurance	\$51,325.00
Office expenses	\$7,525.00
Professional fees	\$115,205.00
Total ESD Administration expenses	\$181,615.00
Fire Department Operations	
Salaries	\$635,621.00
Benefits	\$522,649.68
Total Salaries and Benefits	\$1,158,270.68
Facilities expenses	\$13,345.00
Vehicle operating expenses	\$73,415.00
Communications expenses	\$3,000.00
Community involvement	\$13,350.00
Equipment costs	\$12,137.50
Medical supplies	\$4,500.00
Other supplies	\$7,150.00
Technology	\$33,150.00
Training & certifications	\$29,125.00
Other personnel costs	\$14,150.00
Total Fire Department Operations	\$1,361,593.18
Net Ordinary Income	\$492,269.03
Other income/expenses	
Other receipts	\$71,000.00
Other expenditures	
Capital expenditures	
Vehicles — Pumper	\$275,000.00
Turnout gear	\$25,000.00
Other equipment	\$125,000.00
Total other equipment	\$150,000.00
Total Capital Expenditures	\$425,000.00
Transfer to debt service	\$7,581.92
Total other expenses	\$432,581.92
Net other income/expenses	(\$361,561.92)
General cash flow	\$130,687.11
Debt Service Fund	
Receipts	
I & S	\$371,523.08
Transfer from General Fund	\$7,582.10
Total Receipts	\$379,105.18
Total Capital lease payment	\$379,105.18
Net Debt Service cash flow	\$0.00
Net District Cash Flow	\$130,687.10



Outdoor adventures

Students in the Salado Middle School outdoor adventures class taught by Scott Bates took to Salado Creek for a kayaking adventure. The weather was perfect on Sept. 10 for the class trip to the creek.

(PHOTOS BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

PID hearing set Oct. 3

The Village of Salado will hold a public hearing regarding the creation of the Mustang Springs Municipal Improvement District at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 3 at the Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd. in Salado.

The estimated cost to design, acquire and construct the authorized improvements, together with bond issuance costs, legal and financial fees, and other eligible costs is \$65 million.

Mustang Springs PID is proposed to include 1,105.07 acres of land located north of FM 2843 and northwest of the current intersection of Mustang Creek Rd. and FM 2843, approximately 5.4 miles west of I-35.

The Village shall levy

assessments on each parcel within the District in a manner that results in imposing equal shares of the costs on property similarly benefited.

Aldermen, at their Sept. 5 meeting, voted unanimously to set the public hearing for the creation of the Public Improvement District.

The property was annexed into the Village on May 18, 2023.

Mustang Springs at Salado will be high-end residential and mixed use development with houses valued at \$1 million or more.

The development will be in three phases. Phase One will be 352.29 acres with 134 single family residential estate lots (two acre minimum lot size). Phase One

will be on septic systems, while the other two phases will be served by a sewer system.

Phase Two will be 377.59 acres with 151 single family residential lots of one to two acres in size. In addition, 27.46 acres will be zoned for mixed use, 31.41 acres for multi-family mixed use, 20.16 acres for commercial use, 15.13 acres for public school, 2.82 acres for public facilities (water storage), 1.851 acres for a ranch headquarters and 5.75 acres for existing ranch use.

Phase Three will be 375.44 acres with 314 single family residential estate lots of one acre in size along with an amenity center on 1.57 acres.

Grant funds digital literacy classes to begin at Salado Senior Center

Salado Senior Center will begin offering digital literacy classes twice a month, thanks to a grant from the National Council on Aging, AT&T and the Public Library Foundation.

The classes will be noon-3 p.m. Sept. 16 and 30 and Oct. 14 and 28. Later dates will be announced monthly.

"The Salado Senior Center applied for a grant from the National Council on

Aging (NCOA) and AT&T," Salado Senior Center director Dave Swarouth said. "We were pleased to learn that the grant was approved. The Salado Senior Center was just one of a handful of senior centers awarded this grant."

The Salado Senior Center opened in June 2023 in the Salado United Methodist Church Youth Activity Center, 650 Royal St. It is open

9 a.m.-3 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays (except holidays) and offers a variety of classes, games and activities.

"The reception of our senior center has been overwhelming," Swarouth said. "We have surpassed 400 seniors registered."

To learn more about the Salado Senior Center, visit www.saladoseniorcenter.org for the full schedule of activities

Aldermen mull through lease, other agreements

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Salado aldermen, at their Sept. 5 meeting, discussed three separate lease/insurance agreements, acting on one and tabling the other two until they can get more information on insurance issues.

The board, on a 3-1 vote, approved extending the lease agreement with the Salado Chamber of Commerce for the visitor's center and tourism offices at 423 S. Main St.

During her monthly report, Tourism Marketing Manager Deanna Whitson told aldermen, "We do a lot of collaboration and creativity there. We have the Chamber right next to us. They are gracious to work with us and introduce us to businesses. Tourism had brought businesses to Chamber. In the museum, I have office space that allows us to do our work and collaborate on ideas. We have the proper tools and it helps us make sure we are meeting our needs."

She added that she meets with businesses for round-tables to further collaborate on promoting tourism Salado.

The monthly lease is \$1,517. On a motion by alderman Jasen Graham and a second by Zach Hurst, the board approved the renewal of the lease 3-1 with Mayor

Pro Tem Rodney Bell joining Graham and Hurst and Alderman Michael MacDonald voting against.

"We have great synergy with tourism, the Chamber, and the Salado Museum," Graham said.

Aldermen tabled action on a lease agreement between the Village of Salado and the Presbyterian Church of Salado and Salado Storage, LLC for the Sculpture Garden. The Village provides insurance for the sculptures placed there. De La Rosa told aldermen that there are issues concerning insuring those sculptures.

Aldermen tabled an item concerning providing property and/or liability insurance on the log cabins and 1908 Church building on the grounds of the Salado Civic Center. The property is owned by Salado ISD and leased long-term to Salado Historical Society, which owns the cabins. According to De La Rosa, the Village is currently insuring buildings it does not own or lease on property that it does not own or lease.

De La Rosa told aldermen that there needed to be some type of either ownership of the items (sculptures or buildings) or lease agreements in place in order for there to be valid insurance.

Aldermen unanimously approved a Conditional Use

Permit to allow mixed beverage sales at #2 Peddler's Alley, which is in the Historic District, for a business that will be called Bourbon Speaks.

The board unanimously approved an inter-local agreement with Bell County Emergency Services District #1 to provide inspection and review services to the Village.

The board approved an independent contractor agreement with Media 2 Social for management of the Tourism website.

The board accepted roads at Salado Center.

An item concerning a request from Legacy CTX that the walking bridge between Barrow Brewing Co. and Pace Park be removed/retracted during the Oct. 5 Sirena Fest was removed from the agenda.

According to Mayor Bert Henry, "I have spoken with both parties involved on either side of bridge. They have come to an agreement."

Henry said that Barrow Brewing Co. will provide staffing at the bridge to assure that alcohol is not carried into Pace Park during Sirena Fest.

Johnny Hornbeck began work in the Public Works department on Sept. 9. Village administrator Manny De La Rosa announced his hire at the Sept. 5 meeting.

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An Open Exchange of Ideas

Despite Sept. doldrums, S&P 500 up 13.39% in '24, 21.12% since '23

The Markets

It is September. That should come as no surprise, but for a host of reasons, stock traders seem to be often surprised as the ninth month arrives. That could be because the month's name literally means "the seventh." It has become a tradition for September to start with a stock sell-off. Contributing to the event is the myth that bad things happen more often in September than in other months. Add the Presidential election effect in which the media is saturated with negativity every four years, and a down market in early September becomes a thing. The S&P 500 (SPX) declined 4.25% in the first week of the downer month to close at 5408.42, leaving it up a mere 13.39% this year and 21.12% higher than last year. The other Index we follow to get what may be a better picture of the central part of the market, the CRSP US Mid Cap Value Index, fell 2.78% to 2753.36, up 9.83% this year and over 17% from a year ago. What reason did the pundits give for this decline? The reports we read blamed it on a poor manufacturing forecast and rising unemployment, which were both better than last month's numbers. We think the real reason was that September caught the traders by surprise one more time.

The benchmark U.S. Treasury 10-year note ended the week yielding 3.72%, about 5% lower than last week. This sparked a rise in the bond market that nearly but not quite erased this year's losses there. The 30-year T-bond rate dropped to 4.03%, while the annualized one-month rate stayed above 5% at 5.28%. West Texas Intermediate crude oil (WTI) joined in the swoon, declining 7.30% to \$68.18 per barrel.

The Economy

We are clearly past the

Market & Economic Update

by Jeffrey W. McClure



prime problem that has faced the economy all year, that of overheating and reigniting inflation. It is important to note that the economy's "slowing" headlines are misleading. Instead, we are seeing a reduction in the growth rate of the U.S. economy. Globally, there are worrisome signs of stagnation and even contraction, and most of that is because China, the second-largest importer of goods and services, appears to have a contraction underway. In the United States, manufacturing makes up about 10.3% of our Gross Domestic Product (GDP), while in China, manufacturing is about 26.18%, according to the World Bank. The U.S. economy is far more dependent on consumer spending for its growth. China has actively been trying to make consumer spending a significant part of its economy but with a serious real estate contraction and declining home prices, Chinese consumers are retrenching. That economic contraction in China affects the whole world, including us. Fortunately, our economy appears to have plenty of momentum to carry it through what looks more and more like the "soft landing" the Federal Reserve has been aiming for.

The Institute for Supply Management (ISM) U.S. Manufacturing Purchasing Manager's Index (PMI) rose from last month's 46.8 to 47.2 on a scale where 50 is the assumed divider between growth and contraction, however; ISM commentary noted that sentiment played a large role in their survey and recently any reading above 42.5 indi-

cates expansion in the economy.

Real consumer spending in the U.S. posted its third straight month of healthy to strong growth in July. Real spending (after subtracting inflation) grew 0.4% in the month after rising 0.3% in June and appears to be stabilizing at a strong clip. More importantly, one of the strongest elements in that spending growth was durable goods, indicating buyers have confidence in their near future income and employment.

According to the Census Bureau, construction spending in the U.S. declined 0.3% in July. Still, the report noted that construction companies are working through backlogs, and spending was 6.7% higher than in July 2023. At the same time, the monthly Job Openings and Labor Turnover Survey (JOLTS) report from the Bureau of Labor Statistics noted that job openings, layoffs, and hires changed very little in July, but construction hiring was up. Meanwhile, the Labor Department reported that unemployment fell from 4.3% in July to 4.2% in August as employers hired a net 142,000 employees, about the number it takes to maintain a healthy employment situation.

What does all this mean? First, it is evidence that it was hot in August. Construction and some manufacturing slow down when it is hot. Second, it indicates that a lot of people take vacations in August. Third, and most importantly, it suggests that those areas have reached a reasonable, sustainable growth rate.

Keep information laws working as intended to help all Texans

By KELLEY SHANNON

When it's time to take a hard look at our public officials and decide which ones to re-elect – or reject – we need information.

A major source of that information is the government itself. Access to public records and meetings is essential for us to know the facts and speak out about how government is run, during election season or any time.

Among the tools at our disposal are the Texas Public Information Act, the Texas Open Meetings Act and the federal Freedom of Information Act along with transparency provisions in other Texas laws and the state constitution.

As strong as these tools are, we must be vigilant about keeping them sharp.

Our information laws at times require legislative updates to reflect how records are created, stored and used in the modern world. For example, providing easy-to-find online information and searchable-sortable spreadsheet data when it exists, instead of old-fashioned copies, should be the norm. Unfortunately, not all governments do this voluntarily.

Just as important is the need to overcome barriers some governments intentionally use to block information access. Loopholes in the laws must be closed. Enforcement should be finetuned.

The nonprofit Freedom of Information Foundation

of Texas will explore these transparency issues and protection of First Amendment rights at its annual conference Friday, Sept. 13, in Austin. Conference registration is available to all who are interested.

The FOI Foundation also hosts regional training sessions to help Texans learn to use the Public Information Act and Open Meetings Act. The next seminar is Oct. 16 in Edinburg in the Rio Grande Valley.

Open records and meetings allow us to go beyond government officials' spoken words or spin and let us to see how decisions are truly made and how governing is carried out.

How is taxpayer money spent? Are contractors who are building roads and bridges meeting deadlines and ensuring safety? Do school districts, cities and counties effectively manage programs and budgets?

Government information belongs to the people, and in almost all cases it needs to flow freely, without delay.

The "public's right to know does not depend on the whims of officials, elected or non-elected," former Texas Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby, who held office when the state's open records law was enacted in 1973, once explained at an FOI Foundation gathering.

"Winning an election or getting a government job doesn't make anybody smarter than they were before, or less subject to the law. In fact, public officials not only have to obey the

law like everybody else, they have an even higher duty," he said.

The Texas Public Information Act presumes documents are open unless there's an exception in the law to releasing the record. Even then, in most instances a governmental entity must ask the Texas attorney general's office for permission to withhold it. That's a safeguard that provides oversight and can deter the entity from acting in bad faith toward a requestor.

The Open Meetings Act, meanwhile, makes the meetings of many governmental bodies open to everyone unless there's a specific exception allowing a closed session, such as deliberation on a pending real estate transaction or personnel matter. But no action can be taken behind closed doors; the public has a right to know about and observe the body's decision-making.

These major transparency laws place power in the hands of the people. That's something we should treasure and use.

Making this state and nation a better place is our responsibility as Texans and Americans. Demanding change when necessary – and soaking up all the information we can along the way – helps get the job done.

Kelley Shannon is executive director of the Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas, a nonprofit organization based in Austin that advocates for open government and free speech. For more information go to www.foift.org.



MIT begins to discriminate less

The indications are that a historically oppressed minority group in America is finally going to get discriminated against less.

Cue the rejoicing? No, because the group is Asian Americans and the discrimination has happened in the realm of college admissions.

MIT has released its first post-affirmative action admissions numbers for the incoming class of 2028, and the percentage of Asian American students increased markedly from 40% percent to 47%. Black students dropped from 15 to 5%, and Hispanic students from 16 to 11%, while the percentage of white students stayed roughly the same, dropping one percentage point.

There are two possible interpretations of these numbers. Either the MIT admissions office has been somehow infiltrated by racists who want to exclude as many black and Hispanic students as possible (while, bizarrely, boosting Asian Americans), or the affirmative-action regime that the Supreme Court ruled against last year was working to keep out meritorious Asian American applicants.

It's the latter, of course. Although we still need to see the returns from other top schools, the MIT numbers are the first hard post-Supreme Court evidence that the critics were -- unsurprisingly -- right that affirmative action was a form of systemic discrimination against high-achieving Asian Americans.

MIT president Sally Kornbluth basically admitted as much when she said

the changed composition of the school's entering class is "a consequence of last year's Supreme Court decision."

The MIT figures aren't so different from Duke scholar Peter Arcidiacono's estimate of what Harvard's admissions would look like without affirmative action. Arcidiacono, an expert witness for Students for Fair Admissions in its case against Harvard and the University of North Carolina that went to the Supreme Court, forecast a big increase in Asian American students, a moderate gain for white students, and a substantial drop in Black and Hispanic admissions.

This was the experience in California when the state passed the anti-affirmative Proposition 209 in 1996. Asian Americans went from 37% of freshmen at U.C. Berkeley in 1995 to 43% in 2022. (White students declined from 30% to 20.)

Supporters of affirmative action consider this kind of change a blow against "diversity," although this is a superficial, racially reductive perspective.

There isn't a giant factory somewhere that is manufacturing generic "Asian-Americans" who all have the same backgrounds and attitudes. The category of Asian American, like other big racial classifications, does more to obscure than illuminate.

The category includes people from countries that have ancient enmities, and people from countries that have little to do with one another (China, India or the Philippines, for instance). Chinese and Japanese students might come from families that have been here

since the 19th century, while others are immigrants. Some Asian Americans are affluent, others working class, some woke, some conservative, and so on.

What unites all of them is that they have convincingly demonstrated that they belong at MIT. Rather than regretting that there are now "too many" of them, we should be proud of what they have achieved, and recognize that they are individuals who, as a matter of basic fairness and American ideals, should be treated as such.

One of the problems with affirmative action is that, in its obsession with racial categories, it might perversely give preferential treatment to an African American kid whose father is a prominent lawyer and whose mother is a college professor over an Asian American applicant whose parents were refugees from Burma. No one is reducible to race.

The new MIT admissions regime should also remove any doubt that Black and Hispanic students are there based solely on merit, too. As for the students who would have been admitted under the old highly racialized system, it's not as though they will have no future if they end up at a good state school somewhere.

One would think that less discrimination would be considered ipso facto a good thing, but for supporters of affirmative action, it's all about who is being discriminated against, and in what cause.

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Operation Christmas Child held Sept 14 at Immanuel Baptist

The Project Leader Workshop for Operation Christmas Child is free for the public in Salado who is interested in packing shoe-box gifts for children in need.

The event is scheduled for 9 a.m.-noon Sept. 14 at Immanuel Baptist Church located, 1401 W Central Ave in Temple.

A featured speaker, Cathy Scribner will share her experience handing out shoe-box gifts to children in need in the country of Trinidad with Operation Christmas Child a project of Samaritan's Purse.

Activities, snacks and door prizes are planned for the day. Bring a friend.

First Baptist Church of Salado traditionally collects shoe-box gifts to support this annual project.

Call Laurie Bailey at 254-421-2485 for more information.

Local Radio Hosts Live Membership Drive

Copperas Cove, TX (KOOV) – The Armor of God Radio Network, now broadcasting on three unique frequencies - 106.9 FM, 93.9 FM and 1330 AM - will host its Fall Membership Drive on the air 8-11 a.m. and 3-6 p.m. Sept. 17-19. This fall's theme is the Guardian Angels.

Broadcasting live from Operation Phantom Support in downtown Killeen, the Live Drive will feature many of local "celebrities" – like Father Tim Nolt, Pastor at St. Joseph's in Killeen who will kick-off the fundraiser. They will also have Debbie Georgianni the co-host of "Take 2 with Jerry & Debbie" and "The Spirit World" radio show, who will bring her special love and admiration for the Guardian Angels to share with everyone throughout Central Texas. They will also have many friends and family members from around the area to share those moments where the Angels have comforted, protected, and guided through the best of times and the worst of times.

The Armor of God Radio Network was established in June 2018 and has a broadcast area that reaches almost 2.2 million people. As a full-time EWTN Affiliate, the network's programs include a variety of live call-in shows and interviews on many different topics involving spirituality, marriage, family and personal well-being, and the Daily Mass; as well as pre-recorded shows featuring Bible studies, news, and cultural programs. The network's offering of local shows now includes: "Hometown Heroes" dedicated to the men and women in Central Texas who are making local communities a better place to live and work, and "Centex Rising," which takes a fast paced look at what's going on in and around Catholic Parishes in Central Texas.

Additional details and the current programming schedule are available at the station's website: www.armorofgodradio.com. There you can also download an app or stream on any mobile device.



Noah Christopher McGregor was born at 11:16 p.m. August 12, 2024 at Baylor Scott & White Hospital. He is the son of Eric and Madison McGregor. His father is a 2013 graduate of Salado High School and his mother is a 2016 graduate of Salado. Noah weighed 7 lbs., 7 oz. and measured 18-1/2 inches. He was welcomed home by his siblings Greyson McGregor (five) and Maddox McGregor (three). Grandparents are Jennifer and Brandon McGregor, of Salado, Teresa Young and Jason Drouillard, of Salado, and Shawn Matsi of Killeen. Great grandparents are Regina and Larry McGregor, of Salado.



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A community prayer walk organized and began at the Salado Civic Center on Sept. 7.

The Group walked approximately a mile to join in prayer in the name of Jesus for the community and region.

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OCTOBER 19 & NOVEMBER 16

Hearts & Hands Events to provide children new shoes and Thanksgiving family meal

Heart and Hands Ministries of Salado is preparing for two huge Fall events. Heart and Hands Ministries is partnering with FirstBlessing.org to provide local children with a new pair of shoes. If your child is in need of a new pair of shoes, you and your child(ren) are invited to come share a meal with the volunteers at Heart and Hands and then go shopping in their 'Shoe Store' to pick out a free, new pair of shoes. Child must attend to be fitted properly. This event will be held 9 a.m.-noon Oct. 19 at First Baptist Church Salado. Registration will continue until Sept. 30, or until there are reservations for 150 children. Register for shoes at <https://www.firstblessing.org/upcoming-events/heartandhands>. If you would like to volunteer, visit <https://heartandhandsministries.com/happy-feet-volunteer/>. You can contribute to Heart and Hands Ministries by visiting <https://saladoheartandhandsministries.churchcenter.com/giving>. The Annual Thanksgiving Community Dinner will be Nov. 16. This dinner is provided free of charge to anyone in the areas covered by Heart and Hands Ministries. Stay tuned for further details.

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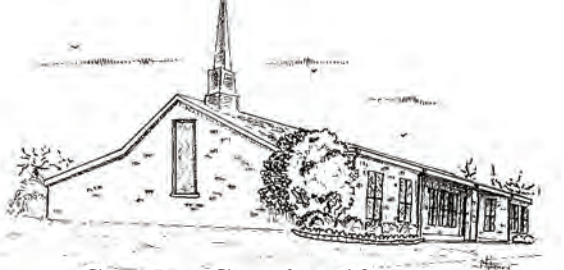
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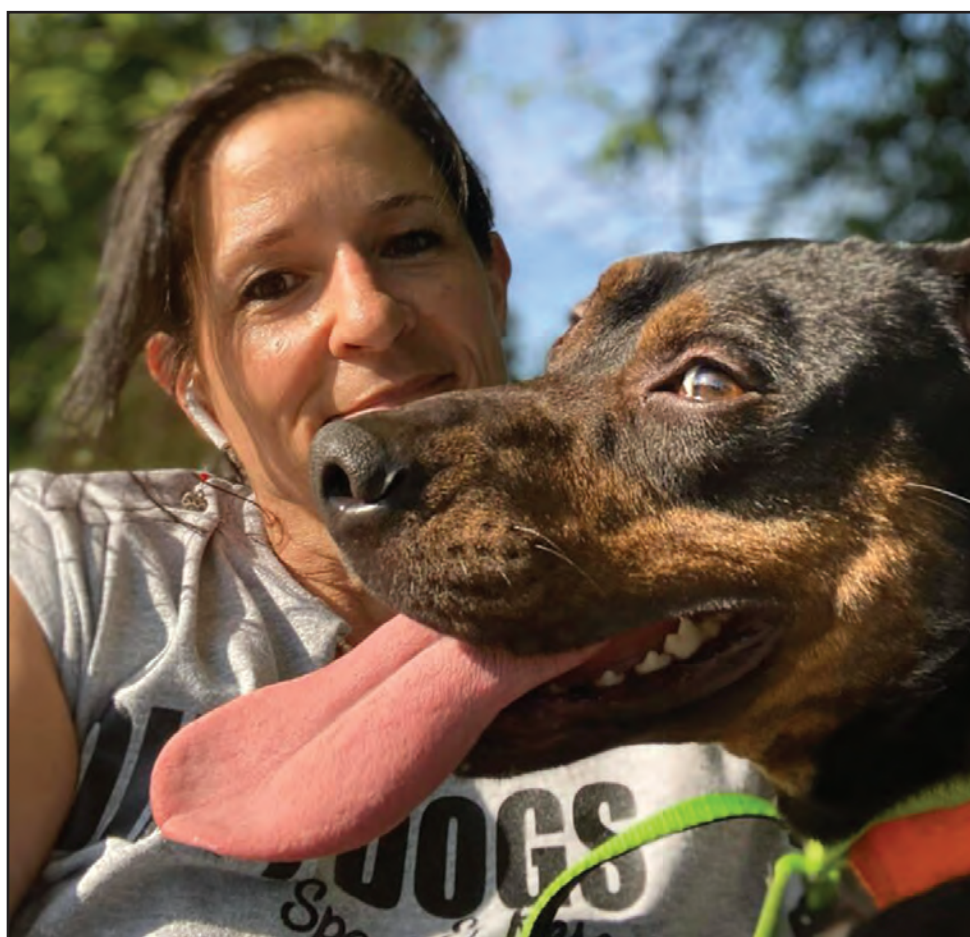


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Pearl's Place is a medical dog rescue that works with dogs with a variety of medical issues.

Barbecue dinner, cornhole tourney at Chapel at Caliber Oak Oct. 6

The Chapel at Caliber Oak is sponsoring a barbecue lunch and cornhole tournament to benefit the furry friends at Pearl's Place at 2 p.m. Oct. 6.

Pearl's Place is a medical dog rescue that works with dogs with a variety of medical issues. They get them

the veterinary care they need, heal them and then find the dogs the forever home every pup deserves.

Pearl's Place is a sanctuary named after Pearl, a beloved 12-year-old yellow lab rescued from the Harker Heights animal shelter just one day before she was

scheduled for euthanasia.

Tickets are \$35 per person, which includes a barbecue dinner plate provided by Black Widow BBQ, dessert and entry into the cornhole tournament. Call Denise Thomssen at 254-760-1590 to pre-register.



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Golf Tourney Oct. 5 benefits local lodges in community work

The Masonic Lodges (A.F. & A.M.) of Bell County are working together for their second annual benefit Golf Tournament October 5 at Mill Creek Country Club. Registration, 8 a.m. Shotgun start 9 a.m.

Players can now register for \$100 per player. A team of four can register for \$350. Entry includes green fees, shared cart and 18 holes of challenging gold on the Robert Trent Jones II designed Mill Creek golf course.

To register as a single player, visit <https://bit.ly/45Wbt9B>.

To register a team of four, visit <https://bit.ly/3rcYyB8>. Mulligans are \$5 for one or five for \$20.

The Hole-in-One-Prize is \$15,000 with bonus hole-in-one prizes.

Sponsorships are the following: Diamond Sponsor, \$1,000; Platinum Sponsor, \$750; Gold Sponsor, \$300; Silver Sponsor, \$200 and Bronze Sponsor, \$100. For information about sponsorships, email district48glot@gmail.com.

Bell County has six Lodges operating under the

jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Texas: Belton Lodge #166, chartered in 1857; Salado Lodge #296, chartered in 1867. Knob Creek Lodge #401, chartered in 1875; Zerine Lodge #615 was chartered in 1885. Killeen Lodge #1125, chartered in 1917 and King Solomon Lodge, chartered in 1971.

Tournament proceeds benefit the local lodges of Bell County in school scholarships and various projects of the lodges in their communities.

Murder, Mystery, Intrigue Oct. 13 at the Chapel at Caliber Oak benefits Friends of Salado Library

The Friends of the Salado Public Library (FOSPL) is proud to present 'An Evening of Murder and Intrigue', celebrating Dame Agatha Christie.

Christie was well-known for her works revolving around fictional detectives Hercule Poirot and Miss Marple. After the demise of her first marriage and the death of her mother, Christie made international headlines by going missing for eleven days. Serving in both World Wars in hospital dispensaries, she acquired a unique knowledge of the poisons and tinctures that found their way into her literary works. Christie spent many months on digs in the Middle East with her husband, archaeologist Max Mallowan, and used this first-hand knowledge of the profession in her fiction.

Guests in the event will be all aboard with Hercule

Poirot, played by FOSPL member Rick Thomssen, and the other passengers on the Orient Express as they attempt to solve the mysterious murder of businessman Samuel Ratchett.

In addition to witnessing Poirot and company, attendees are also invited to take part in cocktails and hor d'oeuvres that might have been found on the Orient Express.

This limited gathering is a fundraiser for The Friends of the Salado Public Library, whose mission is to promote literacy, support the Salado Library, and build community. You can find the works of Christie and other thrilling authors at the Salado Library.

The event will be held 4-6 p.m. Sunday, October 13, at The Chapel at Caliber Oak, 5235 Royal St. FOSPL members Rick and Denise Thomssen have once again



Rick Thomssen as Hercule Poirot.

graciously donated the use of their magnificent chapel for what is now becoming a Salado Library tradition. Tickets are limited so get yours today.

Tickets are \$35 per person and are on sale now at the library and via the website at <https://bit.ly/4dU9yGC>

Each ticket purchase will also enter guests into a raffle for a gift basket.

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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, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Game Time, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Pickle ball 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, 12-3 p.m. Quilting with Lyna, 1-2 p.m. Crochet with Joette, 1-2:30 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.
Salado American Legion, fourth Monday of the month, 7 p.m., Barrow Brewing Co.

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.
Salado VFW Meeting, 7 p.m., First Tuesday of each month, Barrow Brewing Co.

Wednesdays
Guest food truck day at Barrow Brewing Co., 4-9 p.m.
Wine Down Wednesday at Axis Winery, 4-8 p.m., half-price glasses of wine.
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.
Not Rocket Science Trivia, 6:30 p.m., every Wednesday, Barrow Brewing Co.
Karaoke, 7-10 p.m. at Chupacabra.
Word out Wednesday every week at Provecho, 109 Royal St., featuring a different local group and non-profit each week. Most of these WOW groups need volunteers, awareness, and a little cash doesn't hurt. 10% of the daily sales will go to the group of the week. Check out social media for this week's WOW.

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, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. 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, 12-3 p.m. Bingo 1-2:30 p.m.
Kids eat free, 2-5 p.m. at Provecho with purchase of adult entree.
Pint night at Chupacabra, 4 p.m.-midnight.
Vinyl Nite with Shannon at Barrow Brewing Co., 5 p.m.
"Party on the Patio" 7-10 p.m. with live performer Rockin' Rick (karaoke), Axis Winery.
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 on-line 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.
Heart and Hands Ministries food distribution day, 4:30-6 p.m. third Thursday of each month, 213 Mill Creek Drive, Suite 135. Heart and Hands Ministries serve the Salado, Bartlett, and Holland areas. You can register by bringing a valid ID or current bill with an address in our service area. If you are in need of food, they are here to help.

Fridays
Storytime with Ms. Mia, Salado Public Library, 11 a.m.
Fajita Friday at Provecho, 109 Royal St. All you can eat fajitas for \$20.24.
Special guest performers, 5-8 p.m. at Axis Winery.
Live Music at Chupacabra Craft Beers, 7-11 p.m.
Live Music at Barrow Brewing Co. 7 p.m.
Friday Night Football at Johnny's Outback. Full bar, snow cones, BBQ, burgers and more.

Saturdays
Asanas and Ales, 9 a.m. every Saturday in the taproom at Barrow Brewing Co.
Farmers Market, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., grounds of Barrow Brewing Co.
Live Music at Axis Winery, 5-8 p.m.
Live Music at Barrow Brewing, 7 p.m.
Live Music at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 8 p.m.
College Football at Johnny's Outback. Full bar, snow cones, BBQ, burgers and more.

Sundays
Family Fun Day at Axis Winery. Cornhole and other family activities. Live music 3-5 p.m.
NFL Football at Johnny's Outback. Full bar, snow cones, BBQ, burgers and more.
Live Music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m.

September 5
Adults: Craft Supply Swap, 2 p.m., Salado Public Library.

September 5
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Austin Eastciders.

September 5
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.

September 5
Knife Skills class at Yellow House Bed & Breakfast, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Learn slicing, dicing, and chopping techniques from expert instructors. Perfect for all skill levels, gain confidence and efficiency in the kitchen. \$60. Call 254-444-0404 to reserve your spot.

September 5
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Charles Knickerbocker.

September 6
Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m. Ray Palousek Piano Bar.

September 6
Blow Your Own Glass Drinkware Oktoberfest, \$95, Ages 12+, 3-5 p.m., Salado Glassworks, register online at saladoglassworks.com.

September 6
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 8 p.m., Wes Perryman.

September 7
Blow Your Own Glass Drinkware Oktoberfest, \$95, Ages 12+, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., register online at saladoglassworks.com.

September 7
Lego Free Play, 11 a.m., Salado Public Library.

September 7
Vincent Neil Emerson at Johnny's Outback. Gates at 6 p.m., music starts at 7:45 p.m. Order tickets on-line at https://johnnystx.com/tickets-info. \$20 general admission standing room only; \$25 day of show. \$40 lawn seating; bring your own lawn chair. No Oversized Chairs, No Director Chairs, No Canopy Chairs Permitted. \$40 - Reserved Pit - Stage Front (Standing Room Only). \$300 - Reserved Table of 6 (Tables are Stage Side not in front of stage).

September 7
Live music at Barrow

Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Not Past 11 Band.

September 7
Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m., David Matthew Harness.

September 8
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m., Anna Larson.

September 9
Adults Monday Book Club, 2 p.m. Register at front desk. Salado Public Library.

September 9
Second Monday Book Club meets at 7 p.m. at Salado Winery, 841 N. Main St.

September 9
Songsmith returns to Salado, 7 p.m., Salado Library.

September 11
Mini Makers, 11 a.m., Salado Public Library.

September 11
Kitchen Basics Class at Yellow House Bed & Breakfast, 11 a.m.-2: p.m. Learn fundamental culinary skills and knowledge for beginners, such as knife skills, food safety, basic cooking methods like sautéing, boiling and baking and ingredient identification. Class offers foundational recipes and empowers students to gain confidence in the kitchen. \$100. Call 254-444-0404 to reserve your spot.

September 11
Adults BYOB Society, 2 p.m. Register at front desk. Salado Public Library.

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

September 11
Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Crave Hot dogs & BBQ.

September 11
Knife Skills class at Yellow House Bed & Breakfast, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Learn slicing, dicing, and chopping techniques from expert instructors. Perfect for all skill levels, gain confidence and efficiency in the kitchen. \$60. Call 254-444-0404 to reserve your spot.

September 12
Teens Silent Book Club, 5 p.m., Salado Public Library.

September 12
Adults True Crime Book Club, 6 p.m. Register at front desk. Salado Public Library.

September 12
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Austin Mayse.

September 12
Around the World Dinner Series at Alexander's Craft Cocktails + Kitchen, 6:30 p.m. Reservations on-line through eventbrite.com for \$100 (includes tax and gratuity or \$1,000 for annual passport) for five course themed dinner. This month's Destination, Morocco.

September 13
All Things Breakfast class at Yellow House Bed & Breakfast, 12-3 p.m. Learn to master fluffy omelets, crispy bacon, decadent bread pudding, and much more with our experienced chef. Elevate your breakfast game and start your day off right! \$100. Call 254-444-0404 to reserve your spot.

September 13
Blow Your Own Glass Drinkware Oktoberfest, \$95, Ages 12+, 3-5 p.m., Salado Glassworks, register online at saladoglassworks.com.

September 13
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Waylorn Traveler.

September 13
Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m. Kelany Brent.

September 14
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.

September 14
Blow Your Own Glass Drinkware Oktoberfest, \$95, Ages 12+, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., register online at saladoglassworks.com.

September 14
Sugar Rush, 11 a.m., register at front desk, Salado Public Library.

September 14
Charcuterie Cooking Class at Yellow House Bed & Breakfast, 6:30-8:30 p.m. In addition to learning how to prepare and present cured meats, cheeses, and accompaniments, participants in a charcuterie class also get to take home their own charcuterie board. \$75. Call 254-444-0404 to reserve your spot.

September 14
Live music at Barrow

Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Iron Fist of Duncan.

September 14
Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m. TBD.

September 14-15
Salado Market Days 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall 721 Stagecoach Road. Salado's original Market Days event.

September 15
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m., Eley Buck Davis.

September 16
Digital literacy class, 9 a.m.-noon, Salado Senior Center in the Salado United Methodist Church Youth Activity Center, 650 Royal St. Pre-registration required.

September 16
Salado ISD Board of Trustees meeting, 6 p.m., Salado Civic Center.

September 16
Salado Democrats meet the third Monday of each month, 7 p.m., in the conference room of Salado Public Library.

September 16
Salado Masonic Lodge #296 Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m., at the Lodge Hall, 95 S. Church St. Dinner served at 6:30 p.m.

September 17
Discovery Club, 4:30 p.m., Salado Public Library.

September 18
Kitchen Basics Class at Yellow House Bed & Breakfast, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Learn fundamental culinary skills and knowledge for beginners, such as knife skills, food safety, basic cooking methods like sautéing, boiling and baking and ingredient identification. Class offers foundational recipes and empowers students to gain confidence in the kitchen. \$100. Call 254-444-0404 to reserve your spot.

September 18
Bingo, 1 p.m., Salado Public Library.

September 18
Charcuterie Cooking Class at Yellow House Bed & Breakfast, 6:30-8:30 p.m. In addition to learning how to prepare and present cured meats, cheeses, and accompaniments, participants in a charcuterie class also get to take home their own charcuterie board. \$75. Call 254-444-0404 to reserve your spot.

September 18
Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Check Point Germany.

September 19
Adult Thursday Book Club, 2 p.m. Register at front desk. Salado Public Library.

September 19
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Turning Point.

September 19
Teens Crafter's Workshop, 4:30 p.m., register at front desk, Salado Public Library.

September 19
Heart and Hands Ministries food distribution day, 4:30-6 p.m., 213 Mill Creek Drive, Suite 135. Heart and Hands Ministries serve the Salado, Bartlett, and Holland areas. You can register by bringing a valid ID or current bill with an address in our service area. If you are in need of food, they are here to help.

September 19
Salado Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting for The Local Vine, 5:30 p.m., 19 N. Main St., Suite 5E, followed by September's Business After Hours hosted by 21 Main, Christy's of Salado and The Local Vine.

September 19
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.

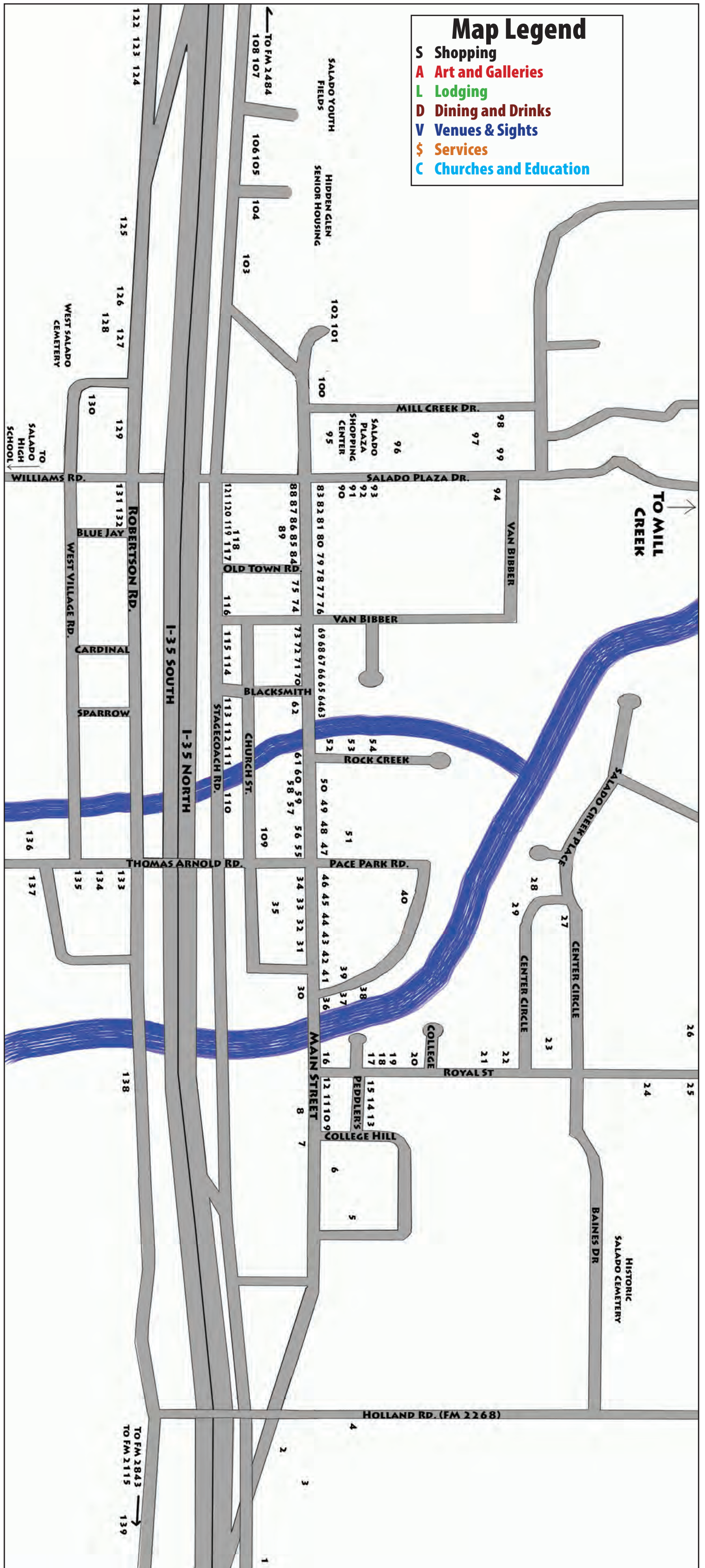
September 19
Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Emily Shirley.

September 19-21
Central Texas Youth Rodeo Association Rodeo, Heritage Country Church, 9677 Lark Trail, Salado. Thursday starts at 7 p.m. Friday starts at 7 p.m. Saturday starts at 6 p.m. Order of Events: Poles, Straights, Goats, Barrels, Chute Dogging, Dbl Mugging, Tie Down, Ribbons, Breakaway and Team Roping.

September 20
Creating Content for your Business Lunch N Learn with Media 2 Social Marketing, noon, at Salado Chamber of Commerce.

Shopping Map of Salado

#	Business Name	Type
1	JD's Travel Center 254-947-5228	S
1	Salado Collison Center 254-947-0380	\$
4	St. Stephen Catholic Church 254-947-8037	C
6	Salado College Park	V
7	Raney & Assoc. Real Estate 254-913-1215	\$
8	StageCoach Inn 254-947-5111	D/L
9	Salado Museum 254-947-5232	V
	Salado Visitors Center & Tourism 254-947-8634	\$
	Salado Chamber of Commerce 254-947-5040	\$
10	Sofi's 254-947-4336	S
11	Chupacabra Craft Beer and Winery (254) 308-2019	D
	Chupacabra Kitchen (254) 308-2220	D
14	Salado Glassworks 254-947-0339	A
15	Provecho 254-308-2098	D
17	Barrow Brewing Co. 254-947-3544	D
	Happy Pizza 254-226-1684	S
19	TEX28 Outfitters 254-545-9978	S
21	The Venue 254-947-5554	V
	Village Spa 254-293-6600	S
22	The Shed 254-947-1960	D
24	Tablerock 254-947-5482	V
26	Salado United Methodist Church	C
29	Inn on the Creek 254-947-5554	L
	Alexanders Craft Cocktails & Kitchen 254-947-3828	D
30	First Baptist Church 254-947-546	C
32	First Texas Brokerage 254-947-5577	\$
34	Farmers Insurance 254-947-0995	\$
34	First Community Title 254-947-8480	\$
40	W.A. Pace Memorial Park 254-947-5060	V
48	Nancy Best Real Estate 512-571-1259	\$
48	Salado Luxury Properties 254-526-6611	\$
56	Salado Creek Jewelry 254-855-5538	S
62	The Pizza Place 254-947-0222	D
75	Stage Stop Center 254-308-2027	\$
76	Salado Civic Center 254-947-5479	\$
78	Star Nails and Spa 254-308-2084	\$
81	Salado Wine Seller and Salado Winery Co. 254-947-8011	D
82	St. Joseph's Episcopal Church 254-947-3160	C
84	Old Town Salado	
85	Salado Post Office 254-947-5322	\$
86	Bill Bartlett - Century 21 254-947-5050	\$
87	The Personal Wealth Coach 254-947-1111	\$
90	Presbyterian Church of Salado 254-308-2023	C
91	Troy Smith Financial Services 254-947-0376	\$
92	Salado Sculpture Garden	A
96	Salado Plaza Ace Pest Control 254-947-4222 Integrity Rehab 254-699-3933 Salado's Hair Shop 254-421-5173 Salado Village Voice 254-947-5321	\$
100	Salado Public Library 254-947-9191	C
100	Salado Creek Ministries meets at the Salado Public Library	C
113	Salado Church of Christ 254-947-5241	C
122	Bell County Annex	\$
124	Axis Winery 254-308-2016	D
126	Cowboy's Barbecue 254-947-5700	D
130	Village Spirits 254-947-7117	S
132	Broecker Funeral Home 254-947-0066	\$
133	Johnny's Steaks & BBQ 254-947-4663	D
134	The Dog Spot 254-947-3647	\$
135	Carus Dental 254-947-8067	\$
136	Salado Schools & Stadium	C
137	Iron Orchid Bodywork (inside Salado Fitness) 254-541-5659	\$
139	Cedar Valley Baptist Church 254-947-0148	C
Not Shown on the Map		
	New Life Methodist Church meets at Salado Middle School	C
	3C Cowboy Fellowship 254-947-7211	C
	Grace Church 254-947-5917	C
	Heritage Country Church 254-239-7106	C
	Mill Creek Country Club 254-947-5698	V
	Anytime Fitness Salado 254-947-1063	S



Historical Markers in Salado

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

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Charli Niu sets for the Lady Eagles. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Shelby Hollywood digs against Troy (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Lady Eagles split non-district games, beating West, falling to Troy

Salado Lady Eagles split their non-district games with Troy and West last week, with each extending to five sets.

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SHS	25	23	23	25	15 3
WHS	21	25	25	20	13 2

Salado beat the West Lady Trojans in a five-set match Sept. 6.

After winning the first set 25-21, Salado dropped the second and third sets 23-25. They won the fourth set 25-20 and fended off West in the fifth 15-13. The Lady Eagles led by five in the fifth, 10-5 before letting West back into the tie-breaker, 13-14 on an extended volley.

Scoring aces in the game were Mazzy Johnson, 5, Charli Niu, 3 and Haley Brown and Shelby Hollywood, 1 each.

Recording kills were Brown, Payton Ortega, 12 each, Kael Wilcox and Elsie Law, 11 each, Niu, 10, Macy Morris, 4 and Wilcox, 1 each.

Niu led in assists with 46, followed by Ortega and Wilcox, 3 each, Hollywood and Kate Maedgen, 2 each and Morris, Johnson and Law, 1 each.

Hollywood had 27 digs to lead Salado, followed by Brown, 22, Hollywood, 9, Wilcox and Maedgen, 7 each.

	1	2	3	4	5 F
SHS	21	21	25	25	11 2
THS	25	25	11	16	15 3

Troy Lady Trojans jumped out to a two-set lead, winning both by a four-point margin, before Salado bounced back to dominate the third and fourth sets, 25-11 and 25-16; however, Salado could not win the tie-breaker to lose in five on Sept. 3 at home.

Scoring aces were Johnson, 2, and Morris, Hollywood and Brown, 1 each.

Brown and Wilcox had 12 kills each to lead the girls. Also scoring kills were Law, 10, Morris, 6, Ortega, 5, Niu and Johnson, 4 each.

Law led the girls with 7 blocks, followed by Niu, Morris and Brown, 2 each and Ortega and Wilcox, 1 each.



Kate Maedgen digs in the fifth set against Troy. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

Niu led the girls with 32 assists, followed by Johnson, 7, Maedgen 4, Hollywood, 3, Wilcox, 2 and Morris, 1.

15, Johnson, 13, Ortega 7, Morris and Wilcox, 3 each, Kaylee Bragg, 2 and Law, 1.

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Construction update

Superintendent's Corner



by Dr. Michael Novotny

The construction continues on our new high school and new stadium that are scheduled to be completed in August 2026.

These are the activities they worked on last week:

- Began demo at existing parking lot
- Finished fence screen at stadium
- Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) and tree protection at the stadium
- Continued mining at retention pond
- Began select fill at stadium field

These are the activities they are working on this week:

- Concrete pre-install meeting
- Utility pre-install meeting
- Building Information Modeling (BIM) kick-off meeting
- Continue buyout of major trade
- Continue select fill at stadium

If you have any questions regarding the construction of these new facilities you are welcome to contact me at michael.novotny@saladoisd.org or 254-947-6905.



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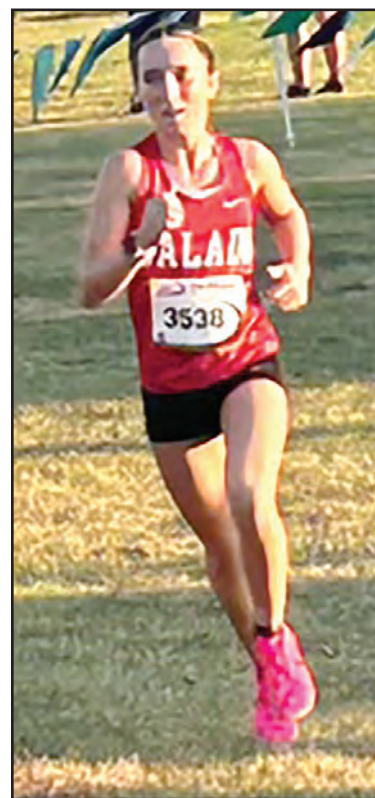
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(COURTESY PHOTO)
 Annalee Bryant placed fourth in the Cedar Park Invitational.



(COURTESY PHOTO)
 Zoie Adcox placed 37th in the Cedar Park Invitational.

Lady Eagles place 2nd in big division at Cedar Park meet

The Lady Eagle cross country teams competed in the Cedar Park Invitational Sept. 7. The Varsity team placed second in the 5-6A division with 64 points, behind Round Rock, 55 points;

"The Lady Eagles had a great day of racing with several running new personal records on the 5K course," Coach Corey Baird said.

Following are varsity individual results:

McCall Boyd, 19:08, third; Annalee Bryant, 19:25, fourth; Hayden Griesemer, 19:59, 11th; Anna Redelsheimer, 20:25, 25th; Penelope Anderson 20:37, 29th; Sydney Engleking, 20:41, 30th; Zoie Ad-

cox, 21:01, 37th; Addison King, 21:27, 48th and Ally Ihler, 22:21, 77th.

The JV team placed sixth in the Varsity 1-4A Division, with several girls running a new personal best.

Individual times are these: Emma Harrell, 13:15, seventh; Isabela Brauchle, 13:26, 13th; Sydney Lange, 14:38, 35th; Stephanie Zhang-Lee, 14:55, 44th; Selestte Hubbard, 14:57, 47th; Kaelynn Flores, 15:10, 48th; Blake Matthews, 15:22, 54th; Lorelai Reckefus, 15:31, 56th; Emma Terwilliger, 15:51, 62nd and Lya Armijo, 15:52, 64th.

The Lady Eagles will run in their home meet at Tenroc Ranch on Sept. 12.

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Bad snaps, turnovers haunt Salado

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Bad snaps and turnovers plagued the Salado Eagles in their 49-30 loss to the visiting Lampasas Badgers Sept. 6. The loss drops Salado to 0-2.

The Badgers scored on their first possession, driving 70 yards in nine plays, with Reed Jerome scoring on a 23-yard run with 8:52 left in the first. Zimri Vergara toed the extra point for a 7-0 lead.

A bad snap over Lincoln Hossfeld's head gave Lampasas the ball at the Salado 13, setting up a touchdown run by Damian Rivas.

After Lampasas recovered a Salado fumble at the Badger 37, Kenneth Angel intercepted a Jerome pass and returned it to the Badger 42.

The teams swapped punts, with the Eagles taking possession at their own 13 with 21 seconds left in the first. A bad snap left the Eagles at their own 1. Hossfeld hit Brendan Wilson in stride for a 99-yard touchdown reception with 10:58. Townes Sather converted the point-after for Salado to trail 14-7.

Following the ensuing kick, Lampasas drove 68 yards in nine plays, with Jerome scoring from the 8. Vergara's kick made it 21-7.

Salado drove from their own 28 to the Badger 15, where they stalled. Sather toed a 32 yard field goal to close the gap to 21-10 with 2:13 left in the half.

Lampasas closed the half on the Eagle side of their field where Mason Olson intercepted a Jerome pass at the Eagle 15.

Salado got within four early in the third, driving 67 yards in nine plays. Hossfeld ran behind 6'7" tackle Daniel Flas for a 15-yard TD with 8:44 left in the third. Sather made it 21-17.

The Eagles forced Lampasas to a three-and-out series, but the Badgers took advantage of a fumbled punt to recover the ball at the Salado 17.

Rivas scored from there and Vergara made it 28-17 with 7:08 left in the third.

The Eagles answered, driving 67 yards in six plays. Hossfeld ran a 10 yard touchdown with 5:10 left in the third. Sather kicked the PAT to close the score to 28-24.

Lampasas recovered the onside kick and drove 53 yards, scoring on a 29-yard pass from Jerome to Bryson Roberts. Vergara kicked the extra point to give Lampasas a 35-24 lead with 3:57 left in the third.

Lampasas had a 52-yard scoring drive, topped by an 8-yard run by Jerome with 15 seconds left in the third and a 42-24 lead.

After stopping the Eagles on a fourth down try, the Badgers scored on a 24-yard Jerome pass to Ty Johnson and Vergara kick for a 49-24 lead with 9:54 left to play.

Salado answered with a 60-yard drive, that was almost stopped dead in its tracks when Jaden McElwan intercepted a Hossfeld pass. They interception was overruled by a roughing the passer call, giving Salado a fresh set of downs. A pass

interference call in the end zone gave the Eagles the ball at the 1 and Hossfeld dove in from there to score with 7:41 left to play. A two-point try failed, bringing the score to 49-30.

The Eagles forced Lampasas to kick and drove from their own 29 to the Badger 25, but an incomplete pass on fourth down turned the ball over and the Badgers ran out the remaining 3:08.

Hossfeld was 9-of-22 passing for 214 yards and a TD. He led the Eagles in rushing with 112 yards on 21 carries and three TDs. Jackson Turk had 54 yards on 16 carries.

Brendan Wilson led the receivers with 104 yards on two passes and a touchdown. Gabriel Merriman followed with 86 yards on five receptions and Turk had a 22 yard catch.

Jerome was 13-of-21 for 133 yards passing for the Badgers

Rivas led the Badgers, carrying the ball 22 times for 132 yards. Jerome followed with 117 yards on 10 carries.

Johnson had five catches for 72 yards. Bryson had six catches for 68 yards.

Salado travels to Giddings 7:30 p.m. Sept. 13 to face the 1-1 Buffaloes in a non-district game.



Gabriel Merriman is pursued by Badgers at the Lampasas 30 yard line. Merriman had 86 yards receiving for the Eagles. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

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The voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate that Bell County Emergency Services District No. 1 may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that Bell County Emergency Services District No. 1 is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2024 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON Thursday, September 19, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., at the Salado Fire Department, 3520 FM 2484, Salado, Texas 76571.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Bell County Emergency Services District No. 1 is not required to hold an election at which voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting the members of the Board of Commissioners of Bell County Emergency Services District No. 1 at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

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$$\text{Property tax amount} = (\text{tax rate}) \times (\text{taxable value of your property}) / 100$$

FOR the proposal: Commissioners Mark McGraw, Mark Huppert, Toby Hatton, Steve Malace
 AGAINST the proposal: None
 PRESENT and not voting: None
 ABSENT: Kim Bird

Visit Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

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	2023	2024	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.090000	\$0.098277	Increase of \$0.008277 per \$100, or 9.20%
Average homestead taxable value	\$450,542	\$493,790	Increase of 9.60%
Tax on average homestead	\$405.49	\$485.28	Increase of \$79.79, or 19.68%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$1,882,028.64	\$2,520,721.60	Increase of \$638,692.96, or 33.94%

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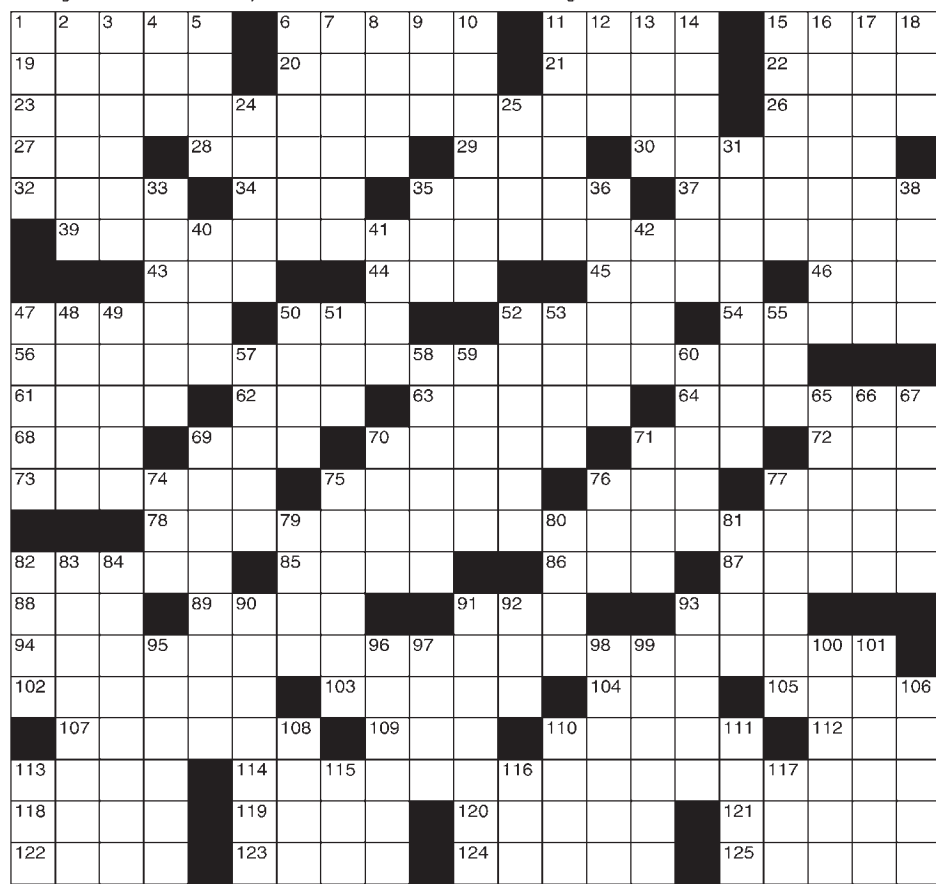
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Super Crossword

DEFINITELY NOT DICKENS

- ACROSS**
- 1 Lethal snake
 - 6 Racecar sticker
 - 11 "T.N.T." rock band
 - 15 Drug in "Brave New World"
 - 19 Basic truth
 - 20 Cheap, in adpeak
 - 21 Letter carriers carry it
 - 22 Eurasian border river
 - 23 Start of a riddle
 - 26 Harden by heat
 - 27 Negating word
 - 28 Ellipses
 - 29 Wide footwear spec
 - 30 Take off silent mode
 - 32 Gools up
 - 34 "Time — great healer"
 - 35 Pitcher Hideki —
 - 37 Deep red
 - 39 Riddle, part 2
 - 43 Mummies
 - 44 Hwy, felony
 - 45 Easy throw
 - 46 Shooters' org.
 - 47 Showy feather
 - 50 Good buddy
 - 52 Univ. lecturer
 - 54 Underdog's win
 - 56 Riddle, part 3
 - 61 Served perfectly
 - 62 On in years
 - 63 Set straight
 - 64 Slander
 - 68 Broadway's — -Manuel Miranda
 - 69 Begin litigation against
 - 70 Parenthetical comment
 - 71 Gave grub to "Insecure"
 - 72 Issa of HBO's
 - 73 Kooky guy
 - 75 Dunne of film
 - 76 With
 - 86-Across, totally wrong
 - 77 Indication
 - 78 Riddle, part 4
 - 82 Cynically callous
 - 85 Young lady
 - 86 See
 - 76-Across
 - 87 Dentist's filler
 - 88 Enzyme name suffix
 - 89 Pre-1991 world power
 - 91 Antinarcotics org.
 - 93 "Umami" taste source
 - 94 End of the riddle
 - 102 "Oh! Carol" singer Neil
 - 103 Leaks slowly
 - 104 Objective
 - 105 Biz bigwig
 - 107 Green gem sources
 - 109 Third of July?
 - 110 Sam of the Watergate hearings
 - 112 "Dear Yoko" dedicatee
 - 113 Lead singer of U2
 - 114 Riddle's answer
 - 118 Novelist — Easton Ellis
 - 119 Narrow street
 - 120 Wall painting
 - 121 Astronaut's garment
 - 122 Lawn patches
 - 123 Cost of cards
 - 124 U.S. soccer star Lalas
 - 125 "— la vista, baby!"
 - 3 Small eatery
 - 4 Aussie leaper
 - 5 Arsenal stuff
 - 6 Corrupt
 - 7 Hygiene product company
 - 8 Boston catches
 - 9 Even one
 - 10 Large intestine's place, for short
 - 11 One-celled swimmer
 - 12 Feline pet
 - 13 God, to Godard
 - 14 "Tom — Jack Ryan" (TV series)
 - 15 Compton, to Los Angeles
 - 16 Speeches
 - 17 Be positive
 - 18 Hoppy brew
 - 24 Bad things
 - 25 Back area
 - 31 Gauged
 - 33 Totaled (up)
 - 35 Debt memo
 - 36 Residential area of a city
 - 38 Pennsylvania, par exemple
 - 40 Max who played Jethro
 - 41 Doing nothing
 - 42 Children's author Syd
 - 47 Holy hymn
 - 48 Saint (Caribbean nation)
 - 49 Capsize
 - 50 Magnet part
 - 51 Total (up)
 - 52 Lion groups
 - 53 Great anger
 - 55 Many a shareable PC file
 - 57 Small hill
 - 58 Tools utilizing beams
 - 59 "So Wrong" singer Patsy
 - 60 Football's — Beckham Jr.
 - 65 Sans-serif typeface
 - 66 Lava, beneath the surface
 - 67 Tiny, to a tot
 - 69 Ohio city on Lake Erie
 - 70 Part of MFA
 - 71 Fly like a bee
 - 74 West of film
 - 75 Mythical escapee of Crete
 - 76 Stupefaction
 - 77 Dollar bill
 - 79 As well
 - 80 Cotton-tipped stick
 - 81 Menu, e.g.
 - 82 Skull bones
 - 83 City WSW of Raleigh
 - 84 Numbered, as pain
 - 90 Donna of Clinton's Cabinet
 - 91 Sheepskin, so to speak
 - 92 UFO riders
 - 95 Seers' cards
 - 96 Sobieski of "Branded"
 - 97 Editing mark
 - 98 Auditory canal buildup
 - 99 City in central Italy
 - 100 Second book of the Bible
 - 101 "Don't admit to that"
 - 106 — Rican
 - 108 Comic Laurel
 - 110 Reason d'—
 - 111 Close by
 - 113 Air gun pellets
 - 115 Busy bug
 - 116 Suffix with arm or mouth
 - 117 Org. with U.S. secrets



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- ♦ K J 8 7 6 4
- ♣ K Q 10 8 2

EAST

- ♠ Q J 9 8
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- ♦ 10
- ♣ 9 7 4

SOUTH

- ♠ A K 7 4 2
- ♥ 7 4
- ♦ Q 9 5
- ♣ A 5 3

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3 NT	Pass	4 ♠	

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Opening lead — king of clubs.

tricks, so it seems he will go down one or two depending on how the trumps are divided. But South's prospects are actually much better than that.

After winning the second club lead, declarer plays the A-K of trump, learning that the opposing trumps are divided 4-1, which is not surprising in view of West's bid. This development confirms that South has five losers, but it does not necessarily mean that he can't make the contract.

Declarer continues by cashing the A-K of hearts and ruffing a heart. He then proceeds merrily along, trumping a club in dummy, ruffing another heart, leading a diamond to the ace and ruffing dummy's last heart.

The upshot of all this is that South has accumulated 10 tricks consisting of the A-K of spades, A-K of hearts, ace of diamonds and ace of clubs, plus three heart ruffs in his own hand and a club ruff in dummy.

So, despite starting with five losers, South finishes with 10 tricks. The explanation of this anomaly is that, after 11 tricks have been played, South's Q-9 of diamonds simultaneously succumb to West's K-J of diamonds and East's Q-J of trump on the last two tricks. Four of his apparent losers are thus compressed into two actual losers, which allows South to get home safely with his contract.

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- MOVIES: What is the name of the fictional country in "The Princess Diaries"?
- GEOGRAPHY: What is the highest mountain in Africa?
- HISTORY: Which ancient civilization built Machu Picchu in Peru?
- TELEVISION: Which city is the setting for the TV drama "The Wire"?
- U.S. CITIES: Which city's nickname is "City of Roses"?
- MATH: When is Pi Day celebrated each year?
- LITERATURE: During what historical period is the graphic novel "Persepolis" set?
- CHEMISTRY: Which element is also known as quicksilver?
- SCIENCE: How much of the Earth's water is held by oceans?
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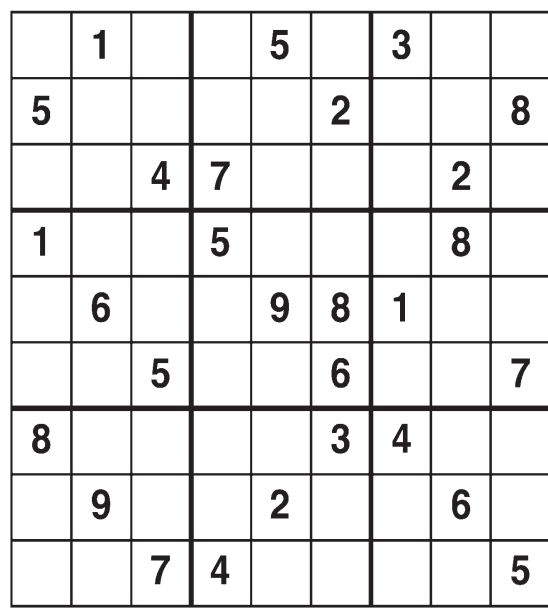
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- Mount Kilimanjaro.
- The Inca civilization.
- Baltimore, Maryland.
- Portland, Oregon.
- March 14 (3.14).
- The 1979 Iranian Revolution.
- Mercury.
- 96.5%
- Rick Astley.

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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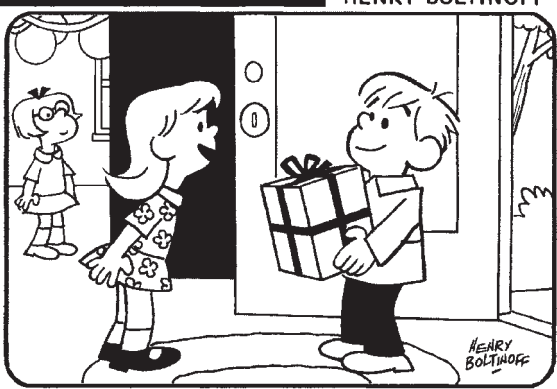
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- ♦ Moderate
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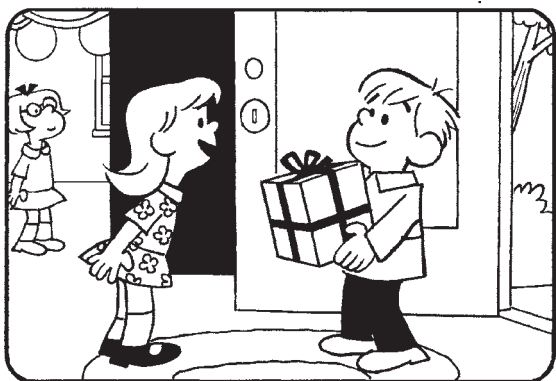
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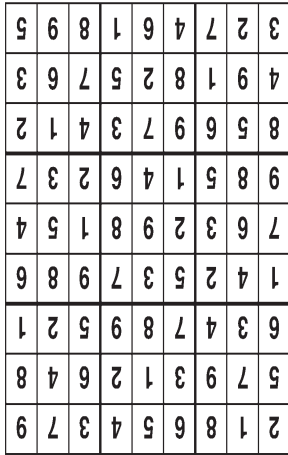
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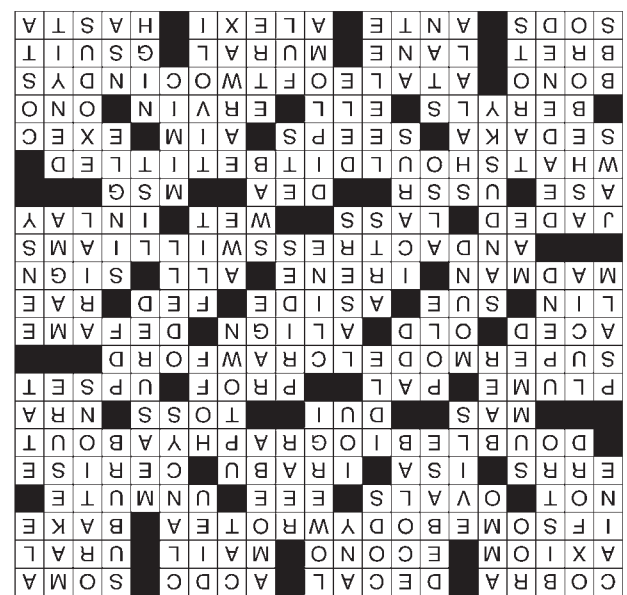
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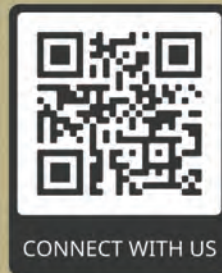
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09/01	OLD MILL RD, Salado	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
09/01	WILD SEED DR, Bell	Alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional
09/01	N IH 35 SERVICE RD, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
09/01	N IH-35, Bell	Dispatched & canceled en route
09/01	FM 2484, Bell	Motor vehicle accident with injuries
09/02	IH-35, S/B, Belton	Dispatched & canceled en route
09/02	IH-35, Bell	No incident found on arrival at dispatch address
09/03	SALADO SPRINGS CIR, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
09/03	SMITH DAIRY RD, BELL	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
09/03	NB I35 @MM283, Salado	Motor vehicle accident with no injuries.
09/03	S SB IH-35 @ MM 284, Salado	Motor vehicle accident with injuries
09/03	IH-35 SB @ MM 283, Salado	No incident found on arrival at dispatch address
09/03	IH-35 NB @ MM 283, Salado	Motor vehicle accident with no injuries.
09/04	FAIRWAY CIR, Salado	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
09/04	FM 2484, Bell	Alarm system sounded due to malfunction
09/04	WILD SEED DR, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
09/04	MILL CREEK DR, Salado	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
09/05	SAINT PETER LOOP, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
09/05	FM 2484, Bell	Motor vehicle accident with injuries
09/05	YELLOW ROSE DR, BELL	Assist invalid
09/05	I-35, Salado	Motor vehicle/pedestrian accident (MV Ped)
09/06	S IH 35, Bell	Dispatched & canceled en route
09/06	DECKER RD, Bell	EMS call, excluding MVA with injury
09/07	INKA RD, Bell	Motor vehicle accident with no injuries.
09/07	LANE LOOP, BELL	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
09/07	ROYAL ST, Salado	Smoke detector activation, no fire, unintentional
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VILLAGE OF SALADO, TEXAS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE CREATION OF A PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Pursuant to Chapter 372 of the Texas Local Government Code, as amended (the "Act"), notice is hereby given that the Village Board of the Village of Salado, Texas ("Village"), will hold a public hearing to accept public comments and consider the establishment by the Village of a public improvement district pursuant to a petition (the "Petition"), filed by certain property owners within the city limits of the Village (the "Petitioners"), requesting that the Village create Mustang Springs Public Improvement District (the "District") to include property owned by the Petitioners.

Time and Place of the Hearing. The public hearing will be held at 6:30 p.m. on October 3, 2024, at the Village Hall Board Chambers located at 301 N. Stagecoach Road, Salado, TX 76571.

General Nature of the Proposed Authorized Improvements. The general nature of the proposed public improvements (collectively, the "Authorized Improvements") may include: (i) street and roadway improvements, including related sidewalks, drainage, utility relocation, signalization, landscaping, lighting, signage, off-street parking, right-of-way, and land acquisition; (ii) establishment or improvement of parks and open space, together with the design, construction and maintenance of any ancillary structures, features or amenities such as trails, playgrounds, walkways, lighting and any similar items located therein; (iii) sidewalks and landscaping, including entry monuments and features, fountains, lighting and signage; (iv) acquisition, construction, and improvement of water, wastewater and drainage improvements and facilities; (v) projects similar to those listed in subsections (i) - (iv) above authorized by the Act, including similar off-site projects that provide a benefit to the property within the District; (vi) special supplemental services for improvement and promotion of the district; (vii) payment of costs associated with operating and maintaining the public improvements listed in subparagraphs (i) - (vii) above; and (viii) payment of costs associated with developing and financing the public improvements listed in subparagraphs (i) - (vii) above, and costs of establishing, administering and operating the District. These Authorized Improvements shall promote the interests of the Village and confer a special benefit upon the Property.

Estimated Cost of the Authorized Improvements. The estimated cost to design, acquire, and construct the Authorized Improvements, together with bond issuance costs (including but not limited to the funding of any capitalized interest and reserve funds), eligible legal and financial fees, eligible credit enhancement costs and eligible costs incurred in the establishment administration and operation of the District, is Sixty-Five Million Dollars (\$65,000,000.00) plus the annual cost of supplemental services and operation and maintenance costs, if any. The Village will pay none of the costs of the Authorized Improvements, supplemental services or operation and maintenance costs from funds other than assessments levied on property within the District. The remaining costs of the proposed improvements will be paid from sources other than the Village or assessments on property within the District, including funds from a Tax Increment Financing Zone, if any.

Proposed District Boundaries. The District is proposed to include approximately 1,105.07 acres of land generally located north of FM 2843 and northwest of the current intersection of Mustang Creek Rd. and FM 2843 and is approximately 5.40 miles west of I-35 on FM 2843, on the north side of the road. The District's location is more particularly described by a metes and bounds description available at Salado Village Offices and available for public inspection at the location described above.

Proposed Method of Assessment. The Village shall levy assessments on each parcel within the District in a manner that results in imposing equal shares of the costs on property similarly benefited. The proposed method of assessment shall be based upon (i) an equal apportionment per lot, per front foot, or per square foot of property benefiting from the Authorized Improvements, as determined by the Village, (ii) the ad valorem taxable value of the property benefiting from the Authorized Improvements, with or without regard to improvements on the property, or (iii) in any manner that results in imposing equal shares of the cost on property similarly benefitted.

Proposed Apportionment of Cost between the District and the Village. The Village will not be obligated to provide any funds to finance the Authorized Improvements, except for public improvement district assessments levied on real property within the District, if any. All of the costs of the Authorized Improvements will be paid from assessments and from other sources of funds, if any, available to the Petitioners.

All interested persons are invited to attend such public hearing to express their views with respect to the creation of the PID and the Authorized Improvements to be made therein.

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