

## DR Horton to build office space here

By **TIM FLEISCHER**  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Village of Salado aldermen on Jan. 16 unanimously approved the concept plan for the DR Horton North Central Texas Office at the intersection of Williams Rd. and West Village Rd.

“They chose to present a concept plan to you,” Village administrator Manny De La Rosa told the board “They did not have to.”

Alderman Jasen Graham asked if DR Horton had done any traffic analysis on the potential impact at the intersection. De La Rosa said no traffic study was required.

Mike Williamson said that the plan will consolidate three different office buildings for the North Central Texas division of DR Horton into one location.

The 33,591 sq. ft. building will sit on a 7.99 acre lot. The zoning ordinance requires 113 parking spaces to serve the building, but DR Horton will build 233 spaces.

The building will serve the administrative, marketing, land development, construction, sales, mortgage divisions.

DR Horton North Central Texas encompasses an area stretching from West, Texas to Burnet and Marble Falls, Taylor, Bryan College-Station, Navasota, and Beaumont and Orange, skipping around Houston, which is its own division.

Williams said that the office will be “very, very active. We are going to have weekly meetings. Construction superintendents and sales agents will meet there on a monthly basis. We will have a lot of out-of-town visitors coming to Salado on a regular basis.”

Williams said he anticipates about 300 traffic trips per day for the office building.

Williams addressed a question about whether the building could be converted to other uses in the future, including apartments.

“The Austin area has already looked at converting office space to apartments and it’s not financially feasible,” he said. “If it were to ever be converted to another use, a medical facility would be the most feasible. But we plan to occupy it for a very long time.”

The concept plan shows impervious cover at just under 45% for the 7.99 acre site.

The concept plan includes five foot sidewalks on Williams and West Village Dr.

“Sidewalks are not a requirement,” De La Rosa said. “They were exempt under the development agreement.”

Sewer impact fees are also exempt under the development agreement.

Graham made the motion to approve the concept plan with a second by Alderman Michael MacDonald. It passed 3-0.

In other business, aldermen unanimously approved a \$10,000 agreement with EGSW System to treat the odor issue of the sewer lift station at Royal St. The approval came on a motion by Alderman Zach Hurst, receiving a second by Graham.

Aldermen also unanimously voted to rescind conditional approval Sanctuary North final plat. Graham gave the motion to rescind, with a second from MacDonald.

The board also unanimously rescinded approval of the cash performance bond for the Sanctuary on a motion by Graham and second by Hurst.

He reported that the Village will remit half of the property taxes paid by property owners in the Sanctuary to the developer. The Village will rebate all sewer impact fees for the Sanctuary. The Public Improvement District fees (\$0.50 per \$100 valuation) will also be remitted to the developer.

“This was the Sanctuary agreement that was amended in November 2022,” De La Rosa said.

## Heart for the Arts Feb. 13 at Museum

The Heart for the Arts Celebration will be 6-8:30 p.m. Feb. 13 at the Salado Museum and College Park located at 423 South Main Street, Salado.

There will be music, Italian dinner/dessert and presentations to create a romantic and memorable evening.

The evening event begins with a Meet & Greet starting at 6 p.m. with artists whose work will be part of the Expressions of Love exhibition.

Dinner will be served at 6:45 p.m. after which there will be a short presentation along with dessert.

The special exhibition “Expressions of Love” will feature many 12” x 12” creation in a wide variety of media by many of the Salado area’s best artists.

The art will be for sale

during the Heart for the Arts evening event and will continue to be displayed and available for sale at the Museum until Feb. 20 during the hours of 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Artists interested in taking part in the “Expressions of Love” event should email organizer Kay Griffith at Kaygriffithart@gmail.com. She will send you an application. Deadline for submissions is Feb. 10.

Tickets are \$45 per person and are for sale at <https://centraltextastickets.com/events/heart-for-the-arts-2-13-2025> and at the Salado Museum.

The individual artists, the Salado Cultural Art District and the Salado Museum & College Park Salado will be the beneficiaries of this event.



First Row: Kensley Free, Madi Collins, Val Hernandez; Second Row: Hailee Zammatt, Addison Messick, Bella Elliott, Harper Schreiner-Brown, Lexi Alsop, Millye Edwards, Gracie Elliott; Third Row: Claire Broadway, Kaydence Whittaker, Aubree Zammatt, Skylar McIntosh, Katie Beene, Serenity Jirasek, Saylor Pedigo, Isabella McHaney, McKenna Morris, Maddie Casper; Fourth Row: Libertie Basta, Kate Doerr, Daytona Sturges, Lauren Allison, Corinne Wyche, Izabella McIntosh, Mercedes Lewis, Jordyn Ingram, Caidynce Ferrell They are coached by Melanie Casper and McKayla Falcone. (COURTESY PHOTO)

## Salado High School Cheerleaders place 13th at State Spirit Competition

The Salado High School Cheerleaders competed at the 2025 UIL State Spirit Competition Jan. 17.

The team consisted of 18 Varsity members and 11 Junior Varsity members.

The team’s qualifying round scores placed them in the top 20 out of 61 teams.

After competing in the

finals round, Salado High School placed 13th overall in Division 4A-II.

“This is the first year our cheer team has made the finals. Congratulations to the SHS Cheerleaders for their hard work and outstanding accomplishment,” said coach Melanie Casper.

Varsity cheerleaders are

Lauren Allison, Varsity Captain, Katie Beene, Varsity Co-Captain, Maddie Casper, Varsity Co-Captain, Lexi Alsop, Libertie Basta, Claire Broadway, Madi Collins, Kate Doerr, Millye Edwards, Kensley Free, Jordyn Ingram, Serenity Jirasek, Skylar McIntosh, Addison Messick,

McKenna Morris, Harper Schreiner-Brown, Corinne Wyche, Aubree Zammatt.

JV cheerleaders are Bella Elliott, Gracie Elliott, Caidynce Ferrell, Val Hernandez, Mercedes Lewis, Isabella McHaney, Izabella McIntosh, Saylor Pedigo, Daytona Sturges, Kaydence Whittaker, Hailee Zammatt.

## Village launches CodeRED®

The Village of Salado has launched the Code RED® Community Notification System in partnership with the Central Texas Council of Governments (CTCOG) at no cost to Salado.

This system is designed to provide residents with vital alerts and updates, ensuring they stay informed about critical events such

as:

- Severe weather alerts
- Traffic updates
- Road closures
- Flood warnings
- Evacuation notices

CodeRED® ensures the privacy of all contact information, which will only be used for community notifications. Residents can choose to receive alerts via text messages, emails, or both. Notifications are

available in English and Spanish.

How to Register:

Salado residents are encouraged to register for the system by visiting Community Notification Enrollment at <https://bit.ly/4hoYZwm>. For added convenience, the CodeRED® mobile app is available for download, providing another avenue for timely updates.

Stay Connected:

“This program is part of Salado’s commitment to ensuring the safety and well-being of its residents,” said Village administrator Manny De La Rosa.

Keep an eye on the Village of Salado’s Facebook page for more details.

For questions or assistance with registration, contact the Village of Salado at (254) 947-5060.

## Community Foundation thanks Stalcup, begins planning for Gathering of the Givers

By **TIM FLEISCHER**  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Salado Community Foundation board thanked one of its original founding members, Merle Stalcup, at its January meeting.

Stalcup is retiring from the board after serving since 2012.

Salado Community Foundation board members also discussed the next Gathering of the Givers.

Salado Community Foundation invites all Salado-area non-profits to its second annual Gathering of the Givers, 8:30-10:30 a.m. April 24 at The Venue by Inn on the Creek.

The Gathering of the Givers will feature a presentation on grant writing entitled “The Art of the Ask.”

The Salado Community Foundation was founded on May 1, 2012 with the help of an estimated 60 residents in Salado.

“The Salado Community Foundation is a volunteer-driven 501c3 non-profit corporation dedicated to providing projects or services either with our own forces or through collaborations with others to ensure quality of life in the Salado com-



John Barclay III (right) presents Merle Stalcup with a gift, thanking him for his work on the Salado Community Foundation. (PHOTO BY MARILYN FLEISCHER)

munity,” according to the original Foundation Mission Statement.

“The SCF strategically and purposefully supports community improvements for the residents of Salado,” the statement continues. “We do this through our own forces and/or collaboration with others.”

The SCF has supported beautification efforts and volunteerism in the Village by awarding grants to local projects.

The original SCF was founded by Charlotte Doug-

lass, Jack Schrock, the late Eldon Miller, the late Debbie Charbonneau, Susan Terry, Tim Fleischer, Marilyn Fleischer, Kirt Hearne, the late Chris Hale, Cody Trautman, Dr. Michael Novotny, Will Lowery, Nicole Stairs, George Dentry, Bryan Fritch, Larry Prellop, Bill Shepperd, Larry Sands, Cathy Sands, Nick Radke, Carol Walls, Merle Stalcup, Lawson Grant, Vic Means, Danney McCort, Gerry Reihsen, attorney Thomas Baird and CPA Bruce Bolick.

The Salado Community Foundation by Laws were adopted from the older Salado Chamber Foundation with the assistance of Baird and Crews law firm.

Since then, the SCF has funded several projects most notably are the Gateway signs on I-35.

After a time of dormancy, the SCF reinvigorated itself in 2020, urged on by Merle Stalcup. At that time, there were only three board members still living and working in Salado, according to Stalcup, himself, Fritch and Marilyn Fleischer.

Since that revitalization, the SCF has help other organizations and one-time efforts by managing funds or by making donations, including the Salado Family Relief Fund, Salado Senior Center, the Salado Elves and the Memorial Marker at the Salado Civic Center.

Current directors are the following: President John Barclay III, Vice President Melanie Kirchmeier, Treasurer Bryan Fritch, Secretary Michael Moore, Carolyn Britt, Troy Smith Jennifer Westbrook, Neil Dunch, Christy Goodfellow, Lawson Grant, Jami Fischer and Jane Stone.

# FORUM

## Interest on debt surpasses \$900 billion, not sustainable

### The Markets

It was a good week for stocks and those who own them. Our dearly beloved S&P 500 Stock Index (SPX) rose 2.91% to 5996.56, closing in on the elusive 6000 level that seems to have scared off investors each time it has been breached in the last several months. The SPX is now up nearly 2% this year and month, 26.53% higher than at this time last year, and over 31% higher than it was three years ago. The other index we follow, the CRSP Mid Cap Value Index, joined the party as it rose 4.37% this week. It closed at 2872.50, and is up about 2.7% this year, and 17.77% in a year.

Although the yield on the benchmark 10-year U.S. Treasury note fell from 4.77% to 4.61%, we still have to go back to 2007 to find rates this high. Given the immense predicted borrowing demand at the Federal level and across the economy as businesses expand, we suspect higher longer-term rates are likely over the next few years. There certainly is good news there as well at least for Treasury money market fund investors. The one-month U.S. Treasury bill has been remarkably steady this year and ended the week at an annualized yield of 4.43%. Contributing to the top-line inflation numbers discussed below, the West Texas Intermediate crude oil (WTI) price rose another 1.83% this week to close its U.S. market week at \$78.03.

### The Economy

One of our favorite government agencies, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) at the Labor Department, led this week's economic news with its monthly Consumer Price Index (CPI) release. Even though the CPI is not as accurate as the Commerce Department's PCE Index, it is better known and published and probably affects consumer attitudes more. From one perspective, the

### Market & Economic Update

by Jeffrey W. McClure



CPI report was alarming, but like many such issues, carefully examining the details provided a different impression. The seasonally adjusted CPI for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U) rose 0.4% in December, about a 4.9% annual rate. Still, the BLS reported that the Index had only increased 2.9% over the last 12 months. Better than the 12-month number was the realization that if the often-volatile prices of food and fuel are removed from the equation, the so-called "core" CPI only rose 0.2% in December, an annualized rate of about 2.5%. If you find all that confusing, you aren't alone. The headline numbers of such reports commonly are less useful than they appear. The bottom line is that inflation is far from dead but does appear to be in a slow decline.

The Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank's GDPNow tracking model is predicting a 3% GDP growth rate for the fourth quarter of last year. The primary driving force in that increased forecast was the Census Bureau's report on December's monthly retail sales. The bean counters at Census announced today (Friday) that their seasonally adjusted advance estimate put U.S. retail and food services sales up 0.4% for the month and 3.9% higher than sales in December 2023. In our consumer-driven economy, a nearly 4% rise in sales is nothing but good news.

Things just got better as we reviewed the week's reports. The National Federation of Independent Businesses survey of small business owners showed rising optimism and indicated intent to expand hiring. December's Producer Price Index, a measure of wholesale prices charged

to retailers, rose only 0.2%, at about a 2.5% annualized rate.

At the same time, there are indicators that, while they may not suggest an immediate danger, should be monitored. The federal deficits remained very high and are probably unsustainable in the long term. Federal net interest outlays rose to \$908 billion for 2024, higher than defense spending. Historically, the U.S. has run high deficits during economic downturns but reduced the total debt in good times. We did run the deficit up during the COVID outbreak and in the ensuing recession, but here, in the midst of one of the greatest economic booms in our country's history, there seems to be a bipartisan intent to keep on borrowing far more than our government receives in revenues. As a percentage of GDP, current and planned federal borrowing for 2025 exceeds anything we have seen since World War II other than in recessions.

While they may seem far away and of no great consequence, the economies of Germany and China exhibit signs of stress. Germany has logged two consecutive years of contraction, declining 0.3% in 2023 and 0.2% in 2024. While China's official growth for 2024 was reported to be a full 5%, the exact number the PRC government had targeted, a recent speech by a senior Chinese economist suggested that number may be more political than economic. Analysis of Chinese raw material imports and anecdotal accounts within the country suggest it may be in a recession with a contracting economy rather than growing at 5% annually. We live in a very interconnected world, and a prolonged

## Animal advocates should oppose RFK Jr.

By JON HOCHSCHARTNER

Anyone who cares about animals should oppose Robert F. Kennedy Jr., President-Elect Donald Trump's nominee for secretary of Health and Human Services. Available evidence suggests he would block the development of cultivated meat. For those who don't know, the revolutionary protein is grown from livestock cells, without slaughter. Nothing has the potential to reduce more animal suffering and premature death.

The scale of human violence against our fellow creatures boggles the mind. We kill more than a trillion aquatic and land animals every year for food. To put that in a little perspective, only about 117 billion humans have ever lived, according to the Population Reference Bureau. When the nascent field of cellular agriculture is more fully developed, even low adoption rates of cultivated meat could save billions of creatures annually.

Unfortunately, the nominal opposition to the incoming fascist White House, the Democratic Party, is busy bowing and scraping, as they search for points of compromise with Trump. We see this lack of fighting spirit throughout the party's ideological range. Even so called progressives, like California Representative Ro Khanna, are talking about how they might work with the made-up Department of Government Efficiency.

What this moment calls for is unwavering opposition to Trump and his cro-

nies. We've already seen one of the president-elect's nominees, former Florida Representative Matt Gaetz, who was initially chosen to serve as United States attorney general, forced to withdraw. They aren't invulnerable. Kennedy, a bizarre, anti-vaccination conspiracy theorist, has a host of weaknesses Democrats should exploit to the fullest possible extent.

There are a great number of reasons to oppose his nomination. These include, as I've mentioned, the former Democrat's hostility to cellular agriculture. In addition to the potential animal-welfare benefits of cultivated meat, the new protein could significantly reduce our greenhouse-gas emissions and pandemic risk. After all, livestock farming is a leading contributor to climate change and the spread of zoonotic viruses.

In October of 2021, Kennedy wrote on Facebook: "Lab grown meat offers private corporations the opportunity to place intellectual property rights on meat development and thus create a financial windfall, at the expense of human health." Of course, there is no reason cellular agriculture needs to be the sole domain of private corporations. For instance, I'd love to see some type of public entity producing cultivated meat.

The health concerns Kennedy raises are bogus, like so much else the conspiracy theorist says. The protein has received regulatory approval from the Food and Drug Adminis-

tration and the Department of Agriculture. Unfortunately, if confirmed, Kennedy would oversee the former, which is why those who care about animal welfare and the development of this technology should be concerned about his nomination.

In a recent article for Heatmap News, a climate publication launched by former executives of The Week, Michael Grunwald reported a source close to Kennedy said it was unlikely the protein would be banned outright. Rather the potential cabinet secretary would leave industry players in permanent regularity limbo. Cultivated-meat companies have put on a brave face about the incoming administration, but it's not very convincing.

Democratic leaders need to stop wallowing in their sense of fear and helplessness. It's true; Trump will do tremendous damage to the country, which they won't be able to prevent. However, there will be some very bad outcomes Democrats can stop, if they can get their act together. My hope is Kennedy's nomination, which is controversial even amongst Republicans, will fall into this category, for the sake of animals and so much else.

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## New Horse Protection Act Rule will do more harm than good

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JANUARY 17, 2025

The Biden Administration's new Horse Protection Act (HPA) rule might sound like a good idea on paper, but let me tell you—it's a disaster in practice. This rule isn't about protecting horses; it's about federal bureaucrats grabbing more control over an industry they clearly don't understand. The United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) new rule is so absurd that it makes using fly spray on a horse a potential violation. That's not a joke—they can't be serious!

The HPA was enacted in 1970 with good intentions—to regulate the Tennessee Walking Horse industry and to outlaw the showing, sale, auction, exhibition, or transport of sored horses. Soring is the intentional infliction of pain on a horse's legs or hooves using chemicals, devices, or other harmful methods to force an exaggerated, high-stepping gait. This is common in competitive show circuits for breeds like Tennessee Walking Horses and racking horses.

Due to my heavy involvement in the equine industry, I know firsthand the importance of protecting this sector and these animals. But we've got to do it with practical, enforceable regulations. The new HPA rule will devastate the equine community, especially breeders, trainers, and horse owners in Texas and nationwide.

Anyone who's ever

owned a horse—whether for work, hobby, or show—knows we treat these animals better than most folks treat their favorite family members. For Texans, horses are more than just animals. They're part of our families, our livelihoods, and a driving force of our economy.

If the HPA rule change is implemented, horse owners will have many headaches. The rules would ban anything that might cause irritation. Even a minor rub from a bell boot or sore muscles from training could be labeled as intentional soring. Before long, every 4-H horse event, barrel race, cutting, rodeo, horse show, trail ride, reining event, and team penning could face burdensome regulations.

Event organizers would have to provide advance notice and hire USDA-approved veterinarians or vet techs to inspect every horse and reinspect the class winner. Even something as simple as applying show sheen to a horse's coat could result in disqualification.

This new rule doesn't just target owners—they drag in haulers, trainers, vendors, and sponsors, making everyone liable. Horses would need to be blemish-free, undergo invasive inspections, and face strict shipping regulations. Even basic therapeutic treatments would require a vet's oversight, and winners in the ring would face mandatory reinspection. It's government overreach at its worst, and this isn't even the complete list of what they're pushing.

Soring is an issue that is largely specific to the state of Tennessee, so I question why the national equine industry must suffer under smothering regulations that overrule what should be dealt with at the state level. I'll tell you. They are trying to rewrite the rules to expand the definition of "soring" so broadly that it could rope in nearly the entire horse industry. Animal rights extremists just won't quit. The new HPA rule is a direct result of their meddling. Believe it or not, the USDA's lead veterinarian, Dr. Aaron Rhyner, had the gall to suggest that even the simple act of riding a horse could somehow be considered "soring."

The USDA's new rule forcing the equine industry to hire, train, and implement inspectors—that we have to pay for—at every event classified as a horse show is impossible. They don't have the funding or resources. They also promise to hire qualified industry-experienced veterinarians, which we know is a role that is currently seeing staffing shortages already. What will they be forced to do instead? Send inspectors—most of whom lack fundamental knowledge about horses or rural life—to tell us how to care for our animals? Give me a break!

Here's the bigger picture: This government overreach won't stop with horses. If we don't push back now, what's next? Farmers, ranchers, and eventually, pet owners will all be in the USDA's

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## Salado American Legion holds first general meeting Jan. 27

The Salado American Legion will hold its first General Meeting of the new year on 7 p.m. Jan. 27, with a social hour prior to the official meeting at 6 p.m. at Barrow Brewery.

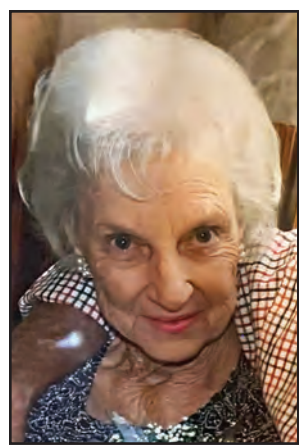
The Salado American Legion currently meets at Barrow Brewing Company, 108 Royal Street in Salado on every fourth Monday of

the month.

At the January meeting, members and potential members will be updated on the post's 2025 plans for fund raising, events, and endowments. The Service Officer, Brandon McHenry will also brief the exciting new changes to GI Bill benefits.

Formed in November 2023, the post is intended as a rallying location for local veterans after service in order to engage in fellowship with those of similar experience. The post also provides an opportunity for those veterans to continue to serve and impact the community.

## Obituaries



**LILLIE BELL (LOCK) COPELAND**  
APRIL 22, 1936  
JANUARY 17, 2024

Lillie Bell (Lock) Copeland, TX, lovingly known as "Bell" to her family and friends, passed away peace-

fully on January 17, 2024.

Bell was born April 22, 1936 in Yarrelton to William and Mattie (Blanset) Lock.

At the age of 15, she met a Salado boy named R. L. Copeland. They wed on June 4, 1955 in Rogers.

She ran a hamburger stand called "Hamburger Hill" at the Mobil station in Salado in the 70s. In the 90's, R.L. built a small shop for her near their house which she named The Jersey Bull Trading Post. There she sold antiques and concrete yard art. Later in life, she joined her sisters handing out samples and doing demos at HEB.

She was preceded in

death by her parents; brother, GW Lock; sisters, Mary Lou Lock, Dorothy Measles, Martha Philley, Willie Maye Rea, Joyce Hitchman; and her loving husband, R. L. Copeland.

Survivors include her two sons, Richard Copeland and Larry Copeland; seven grandchildren, and 13 great grandchildren.

Services were held on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, at Harper-Talasek Funeral Home in Belton with a visitation starting at 12 p.m. and funeral service immediately following at 1 p.m. Burial will be in Salado Cemetery.

## ASU announces Fall 2024 Dean's List

Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas, has announced the students achieving the Dean's List for the 2024 fall semester.

To be eligible for the ASU Dean's List, full-time undergraduate students must maintain a 3.25 or better grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Salado students achieving the Dean's List include:

Brooks Dabney, Pre Nursing; Jade Houston, Management; Corde Ramsey, Exercise Science; Tanner Rosenbaum, Agribusiness and Brianna Waters, Exercise Science

A member of the dynamic Texas Tech University System with campuses across the state, Angelo State is a four year university.

## BC Historical Commission meets Jan. 27

The Bell County Historical Commission will meet on Monday January 27. Meetings start at 6 p.m. in room 117 of the old courthouse at 101 East Central Ave, Belton, Texas.

This will be a business meeting, and various committees and chairs will be introduced. The meeting is open to the public and all who are interested in history are encouraged to attend.

## Saladoans graduate ASU

Angelo State University conferred 645 undergraduate and graduate degrees on 641 graduates during the 2024 fall commencement exercises on Dec. 14, 2024, at the Junell Center/Ste-

phens Arena in San Angelo, Texas.

Salado graduates include: Konnor Baird, Master of Business Administration in Business Administration and Aryn Jarvis Hendon,

Master of Social Work in Social Work

Angelo State University, founded in 1928, is a thriving four-year public school in Texas.

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**HORSES** FROM PAGE 2A

crosshairs. Today, it's the equine industry. It could be your cattle, pets, or way of life tomorrow.

The bottom line is that these new rules won't protect horses. They'll devastate the equine industry, punish responsible horse owners, and destroy rural communities across the na-

tion. Instead of promoting animal welfare, the USDA imposes senseless regulations that will do more harm than good.

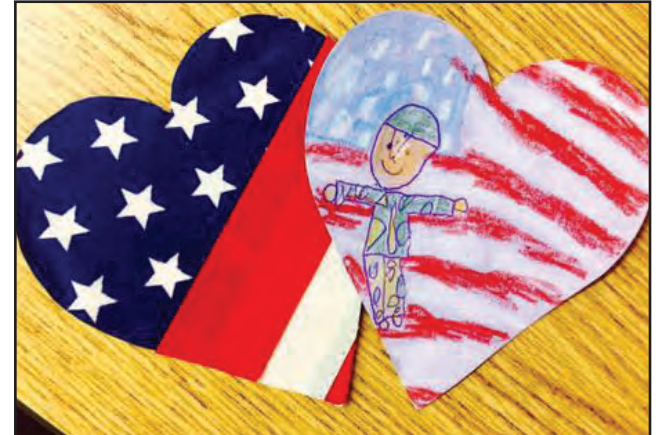
It's time to rein in these runaway bureaucrats and restore some common sense to Washington, D.C. It is my hope that the incoming Trump Administration will

withdraw this new rule.

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**Valentines for Veterans: Send cards to state homes**

Texas Land Commissioner and Veterans Land Board (VLB) Chairwoman Dawn Buckingham, M.D. is encouraging Texans to participate in the VLB's campaign to send Valentines cards to the Veterans who reside in Texas' nine State Veterans Homes. The Texas General Land Office (GLO) and the VLB urges Texans to take part in this mission to show these courageous men and women that they are an integral part of our communities.



Send a Valentine to a Veteran in one of the nine State Veterans Homes. (PHOTO COURTESY SOLDIER ANGELS)

"Honoring the men and women who served our country with Valentines cards is an impactful and simple way to show our Veterans we are thinking of them," said Commissioner Buckingham. "Every Valentine sent through the VLB's Valentines for Veterans campaign will let our Veterans know their communities care deeply for them and appreciate their sacrifices."

Texans interested in participating can mail Valentines to any of the nine State Veterans Homes. To ensure on time delivery, cards should be postmarked by February 10 and include 'Valentines for Veterans' in

- the mailing address.
- Mailing addresses for the State Veterans Homes are these:
- Ussery-Roan Texas State Veterans Home, 1020 Tascosa Road Amarillo, Texas 79124
  - Clyde W. Coper Texas State Veterans Home, 1300 Seven Oaks Road Bonham, Texas 75418
  - Frank M. Tejada Texas State Veterans Home, 200 Veterans Drive Floresville, Texas 78114
  - Alfredo Gonzales Texas State Veterans Home, 301 East Yuma Avenue McAllen, Texas 78503
  - Watkins-Logan Texas State Veterans Home, 11466 Honor Lane Tyler, Texas 75708
  - Lamun-Lusk Texas State Veterans Home, 1809 North Highway 87 Big Spring, Texas 79720
  - Ambrosio Guillen Texas State Veterans Home, 9650 Kenworthy Street El Paso, Texas 79924
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## Salado Public Library presents the "Joy of Chocolate" contest Feb. 8

The Joy of Chocolate contest is coming Feb. 8. Be sure to mark your calendars.

Adults, teens and children alike are encouraged to join in the fun and create a dish that involves chocolate.

The category of "youth" has been split this year into children 5-12 and teens 13-18.

"Entries do not need to be an original recipe. Let your imagination guide you," said Alice Cooper, one of the organizers. "It's amazing the things you can create with chocolate! Please note though, there is no refrigeration available."

This chocolate extravaganza will take place at the Salado Public library on Feb. 8.

Entry sign up will be at the library with more information. Deadline to submit an entry is close of business



Public tasting opens after Judging is complete. PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN

at the library Feb. 7.

Completed chocolate entries must be set up by noon on Feb. 8.

Two chefs will privately judge the entries between noon and 1 p.m. The entries then will be open for public tasting and judging from 1:30-3:30 p.m., when prizes will be awarded. There is

no charge to come taste and vote for your favorite.

There will be three entry categories: Child (ages 5-12) Teen (13-18) and Adult (age 19 and over). Cash awards of \$50-\$30 will be given in each category for the public voting award, \$50-\$40 for the Chef's award and one \$30 award in each category

for display.

Support the Friends of the Library by volunteering to help if asked.

"Be sure to come out and enjoy the delicious chocolate creations," Cooper said, "and have fun!"

## Texas Pizza Festival held March 1

Texas Pizza Festival's third year will be held 11a.m.-6 p.m. March 1 at Barrow Brewery 108 Royal St. Pizza trucks participating are: Barrow Brewing Company's resident truck, Happy Pizza Company, Bahler Street Pizza, Pizza Pteros, Treno Pizzeria, Scott's Pizza, and more.

Guests can purchase tickets in advance at [www.centraltexasitickets.com](http://www.centraltexasitickets.com). Adult GA tickets are \$20 and include four slices. Child GA tickets are \$10 and get them two slices. VIP tickets include two additional slices and a t-shirt. Additional tickets and slices can be purchased at a higher rate at the festival.

The weekend will include a pizza cooking class on Feb. 28 at the Stagecoach Inn. World Pizza The class will be limited to 30 people.

The Texas Pizza Festival brings Texas pizza trucks to celebrate sourdough, cheese, and fire. The day will include demonstrations, contests, and live music from Central Texas Bands.



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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.  
 Story time 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 lo-

cal 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.  
 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**  
 Story time 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.  
**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.  
**January 1-31**  
 Annual Texas Stagecoach Wine Trail. You will have 31 days to visit eight participating wineries and enjoy your tastings. Participating wineries are 3 Texas Winery and Vineyard, Bee Ma Rosa Vineyard and Winery, Country Spring Vineyard and Wine Garden, Dancing Bee Winery, Moose & Goose Winery, Red Caboose Winery, Salado Winery Co., and Valley Mills Winery. Tickets are \$40 (\$135+ value) available eventbrite.com. Or visit [stagecoachwinetrail.com](http://stagecoachwinetrail.com) for more information.  
**January 22-26**  
 Cookies & Brews, ticketed event at Barrow Brewing Co. Enjoy a flight of four craft beers paired with a delicious Girl Scout cookie.

Tickets at <https://centraltextastickets.com/events/cookies-brews-1-22-2025>  
**January 23**  
 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 23**  
 Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m. Zachary Burnett.  
**January 24**  
 Gua Sha and Glow event, 4-6 p.m., Village Spa, 216 Royal St. Hands-on tutorial on the correct techniques to Gua Sha tone and sculpt. Learn the benefits of red light therapy. Save \$60 on all Omnilux products. Gua Sha tool included in class fee of \$25. RSVP by calling 254-293-6600. Sponsored by Village Spa and Rachel Draper Wellness Omnilux.  
**January 24**  
 Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 7 p.m., Everett Wren.  
**January 24**  
 Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., Kyle Mathis.  
**January 24**  
 Pianist Ray Palousek and violinist Andrew Wilson, 7-10 p.m. Bar 1859, 21 N, Main St.  
**January 25**  
 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 25**  
 Blow Your Own Heart Event, Blown Heart OR Mini Bowl (\$65) - Ages 3+ Bowl (\$100) ages 12+. 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 2-4:30 p.m. Salado Glassworks, register online at [saladoglassworks.com](http://saladoglassworks.com).  
**January 25**  
 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 25**  
 Live Music at Axis Winery, 1420 N. Robertson Rd., 1:30 p.m., Noah Derrick; 5 p.m., Isabel Suarez.  
**January 25**  
 Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., James Stone.  
**January 25**  
 Country music singer Ty Grubb, 7-10 p.m. Bar 1859, 21 N, Main St.  
**January 25**  
 Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m., Steve Hamende.  
**January 26**  
 Heritage Country Church Annual Chili Cook-Off, 11:15 a.m. immediately following the church service. \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids to eat. For those entering the contest, use at least 10 lbs. of meat (no beans). Categories include Regular and Game and Beans. Trophies for first, second and third in each category. Trophy for one overall winner.

**January 26**  
 Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 4 p.m., Mam Ghost.  
**January 27**  
 Salado American Legion Post 585, 7 p.m., Barrow Brewing Co.  
**January 29**  
 Barrow Brewing Co., Guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Bahler Street Pizza.  
**January 28**  
 Village of Salado Planning and Zoning Commission public hearing on the possible adoption of Local Retail zoning ordinance, 6:30 p.m., Village of Salado Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Road. Meeting to discuss zoning of 7.109 acres at 1991 N. Stagecoach Rd. owned by Salado Hospitality Investments as Local Retail.  
**January 28**  
 Village of Salado Planning and Zoning Commission public hearing on the possible adoption of Local Retail zoning ordinance, 6:30 p.m., Village of Salado Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Road. Meeting to discuss zoning of 2.085 acres owned by Celts International, LLC, property known as Salado Center Development as Local Retail.  
**January 30**  
 Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Wild Acre and Meridian Hive.  
**January 30**  
 Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., Andrew Blanton.  
**January 31**  
 Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., Erick Chase Moya.  
**January 31**  
 Country music singer Clayton Lawson, 7-10 p.m. Bar 1859, 21 N, Main St.  
**January 31-February 1**  
 Blow Your Own Heart Event, Blown Heart OR Mini Bowl (\$65) Ages 3+. Bowl (\$100) ages 12+. Friday 3-4:20 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 2-4:30 p.m. Salado Glassworks, register online at [saladoglassworks.com](http://saladoglassworks.com).  
**February 3**  
 Public meeting on Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) permit # WQ0016524001, Mustang Springs Utility, LLC and Jaffe Interests, LP, 7 p.m., Salado ISD Conference Room, 601 N. Main St.  
**February 5**  
 Barrow Brewing Co., Guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Lula Mae's Korean Kravings.  
**February 6**  
 Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Sirens Rock.  
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**February 6-8**  
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.

**February 8**  
Heart and Hands Ministries food distribution to those in need in the Salado, Holland, Bartlett area, 9-11 am, 213 Mill Creek Drive, Suite 135.

**February 7-8**  
Blow Your Own Heart Event, Blown Heart OR Mini Bowl (\$65) Ages 3+. Bowl (\$100) ages 12+. Friday 3-4:20 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 2-4:30 p.m. Salado Glassworks, register online at [saladoglassworks.com](http://saladoglassworks.com).

**February 8**  
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.

**February 8-9**  
Salado Market Days, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Salado Antique Mall, 721 Stagecoach Road. Salado's original Market Days event.

**February 11**  
Second Tuesday Book Club meets at 7 p.m. at Salado Winery, 841 N. Main St.

**February 12**  
Salado Lions Club luncheon meeting, 11:30 a.m., Salado Civic Center.

**February 12**  
Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Check Griego Bobalicious.

**February 13**  
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Tupps.

**February 13**  
Heart for the Arts Celebration, 6-8:30 p.m., Salado Museum and College Park. There will be music, Italian dinner/dessert and presentations to create a romantic and memorable evening. The special exhibition "Expressions of Love" will feature many 12" x 12" creation in a wide variety of media by many of the Salado area's best artists. Tickets are \$45 per person and are for sale at <https://centraltextastickets.com/events/have-a-heart-for-the-arts-2-13-2025> and at the Salado Museum.

**February 13**  
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, Florence, Italy.

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

**February 14**  
Galentine's at Village Spa, 216 Royal Street. Grab your gal pals and celebrate the love with skincare, spa treatments, massage and more! Call 254-293-6600 to reserve your spots now.

**February 14**  
Seven course dinner, Alexander's Craft Cocktails and

Kitchen. Reservations required. 254-947-3828.

**February 14**  
Date night Bourbon Pairing, Bourbon Speaks, Peddler's Alley.

**February 14**  
Family Valentine's Day with bounce house, free S'mores, hot cocoa, Provecho, 109 Royal St.

**February 15**  
Pioneer Festival, Heritage Country Church, 9677 Lark Trail, Salado. Come to Heritage Country Church where you will learn how the pioneers lived. You can learn the ways of pioneer days to include churning butter, making soap and milking cows to name a few.

**February 15**  
Celebrate your furry Valentines at Barrow Brewing, 1-5 p.m. There will be adoptable dogs and a dog lookalike contest at 4 p.m.

**February 19**  
Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Check Point Germany.

**February 20**  
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, 5x5.

**February 20**  
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.

**February 20**  
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](http://saladotx.gov) 72 hours before meeting.

**February 20-22**  
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.

**February 21-22**  
Blow-Your-Own St. Patrick's Day Event at Salado Glassworks. Blown Mug, Sipper or Tumbler, \$90 (ages 12+). Fridays 3-5 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Registration opens January 23. Register online at [saladoglassworks.com](http://saladoglassworks.com).

**February 22**  
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.

**February 24**  
Public Arts League annual Taste of Salado, Tenroc Ranch, 5 p.m. Happy Hour, 6:30 p.m. dinner goodies provided by area restaurants. Tickets \$30 at [centraltextastickets.com](http://centraltextastickets.com).

**February 26**  
Salado Lions Club luncheon meeting, 11:30 a.m., Salado Civic Center.

**February 26**  
Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Simply Porkfection.

**February 27**  
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Hop Fusion.

**February 28-March 1**  
Blow-Your-Own St. Patrick's Day Event at Salado Glassworks. Blown Mug, Sipper or Tumbler, \$90 (ages 12+). Fridays 3-5 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Registration opens January 23. Register online at [saladoglassworks.com](http://saladoglassworks.com).

**March 1**  
Launch of ToneSculpt at Village Spa, 216 Royal Street. ToneSculpt is non-invasive process that slims, tones and builds muscle. Free demos and special pricing during the launch. Call 254-293-6600 to reserve your spots now!

**March 1**  
Texas Pizza Festival, 11 a.m.-7 p.m., Barrow Brewing Co., 108 Royal St. Adult GA tickets are \$20 and include four slices. Child GA tickets are \$10 and get them two slices. Pizza trucks participating include Barrow Brewing Company's resident truck, Happy Pizza Company, Bahler Street Pizza, Pizza Pteros, Treno Pizzeria, Nocco Pizzeria, Waco Artisan Pizza, Carter Brothers Pizza, and Scott's Pizza.

**March 6**  
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Locust.

**March 7-8**  
Blow-Your-Own St. Patrick's Day Event at Salado Glassworks. Blown Mug, Sipper or Tumbler, \$90 (ages 12+). Fridays 3-5 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Registration opens January 23. Register online at [saladoglassworks.com](http://saladoglassworks.com).

**March 7-8**  
Second Annual Heritage Country Church CPRA/UPRA Rodeo, produced by Diamond Cross Rodeo Co. Gates open at 6 p.m. Rodeo starts at 7:15 p.m. Free admission. There will be bareback riding, saddle bronc riding, ranch bronc riding, calf roping, team roping, women's break-a-way roping, steer dogging, barrel race, bull riding, mutton busting.

**March 8-9**  
Salado Market Days, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Salado Antique Mall, 721 Stagecoach Road. Salado's original Market Days event.

**March 13**  
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, St. Arnold's.

**March 13**  
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, Waterford, Ireland.

**March 13-15**  
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.

**March 14-15**  
Blow-Your-Own St. Patrick's Day Event at Salado Glassworks. Blown Mug, Sipper or Tumbler, \$90 (ages 12+). Fridays 3-5 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Registration opens January 23. Register online at [saladoglassworks.com](http://saladoglassworks.com).

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

**March 15**  
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**March 20**  
Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Altstadt.

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

**March 29**  
Fourth Annual Fundraiser for Heritage Country Church, Tenroc Ranch.

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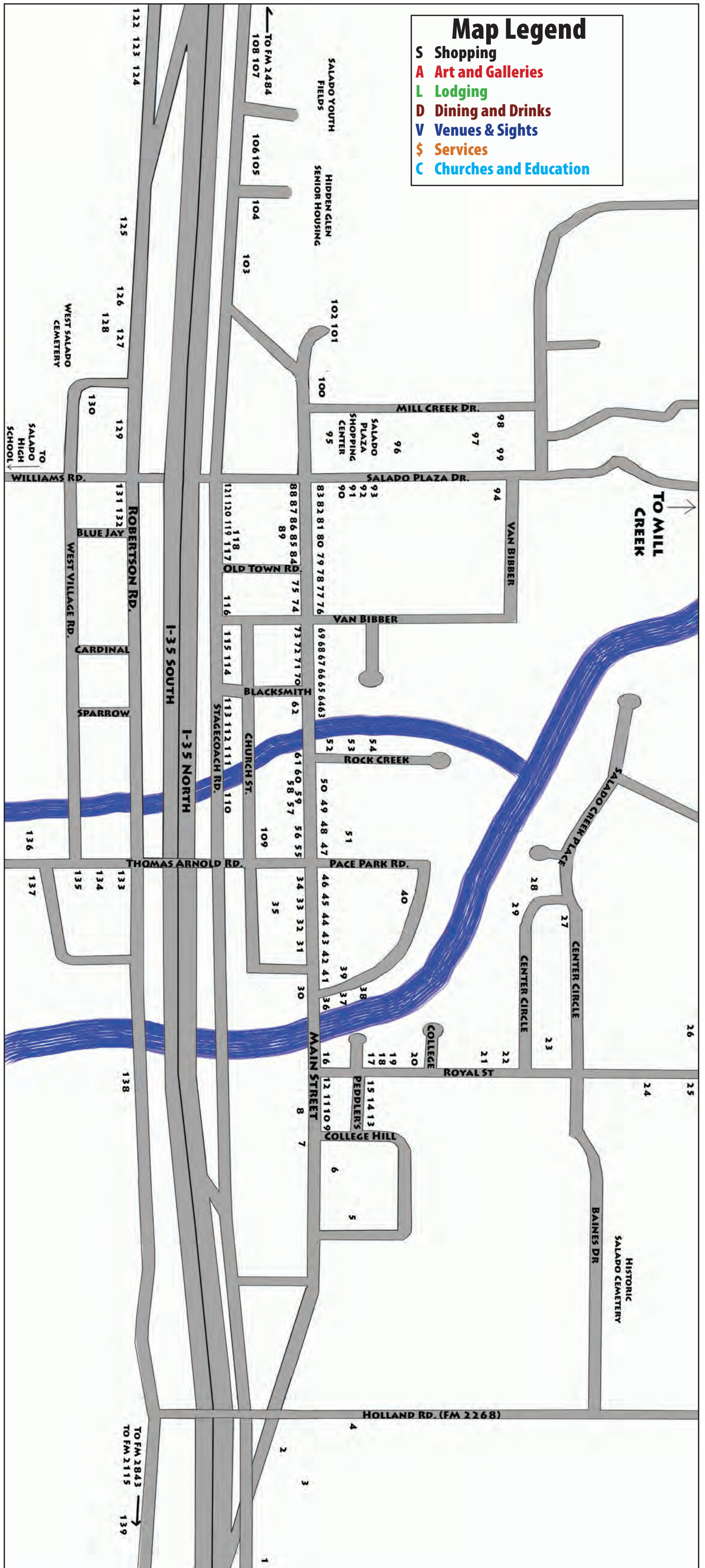
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#	Business Name	Type
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4	St. Stephen Catholic Church 254-947-8037	C
6	Salado College Park	V
7	Raney & Assoc. Real Estate 254-913-1215	\$
9	Salado Museum 254-947-5232	V
	Salado Visitors Center & Tourism 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
13	Bourbon Speaks 254-308-2045	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	V
26	Salado United Methodist Church 254-947-5482	C
29	Inn on the Creek 254-947-5554	L
	Alexanders Craft Cocktails & Kitchen 254-947-3828	D
30	First Baptist Church 254-947-546	C
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	\$
50	Bar 1859	D
56	Salado Creek Jewelry 254-855-5538	S
62	The Pizza Place 254-947-0222	D
75	Stage Stop Center Salado Creek Dental 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
116	Salado Creek Antiques 254-947-1800	S
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
<b>Not Shown on the Map</b>		
	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	



## Two named to All-State Band, one All-State Choir

Senior Alto Saxophonist, Valente Hernandez was named to the ATSSB All-State Band. This is the second year Hernandez has been named to the All-State Band. He will represent Salado at the TMEA Convention Feb. 12-15.

Senior Contra-Bass Calrinetist, Cole Stanton was named to the ATSSB All-State Band. Stanton will represent Salado at the TMEA Convention Feb. 12-15.

Senior Eleftherious Nikolaidis was named to the All-State Choir for a fourth straight year.



Valente Hernandez  
(COURTESY PHOTO)



Cole Stanton  
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Eleftherious Nikolaidis  
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Emily Lemus scores a goal against Lake Dallas.



Captain Sydney Lange faces off against Captain Amelia Cox of Lake Dallas. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)



Kinleigh Fulton scores against Lake Dallas. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

## Ladies win consolation at own tourney

The Salado Lady Eagles varsity soccer team were the Consolation Champions in the Eagle Classic okayed Jan. 16-18.

The girls beat Carrollton Creekview 2-0 in the Jan. 16 match. The first goal was scored by Lucy Johnson with an assist from Shelby Hollywood. The second came on a penalty kick by Sydney Lange.

Salado lost 1-0 to Wimberley later in the day.

The girls beat Lake Dallas 4-0 on Jan. 17. Emily Lemus had the first goal, followed by Kinleigh Fulton with an assist from Izzy Blancaflor. The third was scored by Sydney Lange, and the final goal was scored by Sofia Cadenas off of a corner from Cade Harris.

The weekend ended with one last victory versus Chaparral with a goal from Shelby Hollywood.

The varsity will continue their district run this week, and the Junior varsity will have their home tournament this weekend starting on Jan. 23.


"Thank you to everyone who supported!" said coach Michael Goos.




Salado Lady Eagles soccer are (front row, from left) Cade Harris, Mady Serna, Cassie Vargas, Kinleigh Fulton, Cambry Edmondson, Jillian Taylor, Sydney Lange, Sofia Cadenas, Rachel Bender; (back row, from left) Reese Lange, Avery Hibner, Julia Aniol, Shelby Hollywood, Kinsey Yawn, Emily Lemus, Lucy Johnson, Rylee Young, Skylar Gardner, Izzy Blancaflor, Cora Thomas, Kenadi Smith. (COURTESY PHOTO)



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## SHS wins Burnet UIL

Salado UIL Academic and Speech Squad won the Burnet Invitational Meet Jan. 18, scoring 273 points, Liberty Hill was second with 246 points and Wall was third with 193 points. There were 15 schools in the meet.

In Academics competition, the following students placed in the top six to score points.

Calculator: first place team (Novotny, Adinaro, and Gilliam)

Thomas Novotny: first place; Calvin Adinaro: second place; Adam Gilliam: third place; Susie Cabaniss: fourth place; Aubrey Mullins: fifth place and Marley Yarris: sixth place.

Mathematics: first place team (Cabaniss, Novotny, and Kasper).

Jack Cabaniss, second place; Thomas Novotny, third place; Davis Kasper, fourth place; Elliot Self, fifth place and Miles Crisp, sixth place.

Number Sense: first

place team (Rose, Cabaniss, and Self).

Chloe Rose: first place; Jack Cabaniss, second place, Elliot Self, third place; Mason Olson, fourth place.

Spelling: first place team (Engdale, Rine, and Tracy).

Anna Engdale, second place; Hoak Rine, fourth place and Taylor Tracy, sixth place.

Literary Criticism: Eleftherios Nikolaidis, first place.

Ready Writing: Chloe Sulak, third place and Chloe Cashio, fifth place.

Headline Writing: Eleftherios Nikolaidis, fourth place.

Copy Editing: Eleftherios Nikolaidis, fifth place.

Computer Science: Natan Eldridge, sixth place.

Current Issues and Events: Hoak Rine, sixth place.

In speech events, the following placed in the top six.

Poetry: Sean Murray, first place.



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# Eagles fall in 3rd OT to Taylor

Salado Eagles lost on the road to the Taylor Ducks in triple overtime, 85-84, and 49-45 to Lampasas Badgers.

**Salado 84**  
**Taylor 85**

Salado Eagles led the Taylor Ducks by four points (27-23) in the first half of the four-overtime loss Jan. 17. Taylor outscored the Eagles 22-29 in the third and 13-12 to tie the game at 58-58 at the end of regulation.

Both teams scored nine points in the first two overtime periods to remained tied at 76-76. Taylor edged Salado 9-8 for the win.

Mason Brown led Salado with 26 points, 2 rebounds, three assists, four deflections, two steals and five blocks.

Griffin Self followed with 17 points, two rebounds, two assists, a deflection.

Bryson Byers had a double double with 16 points and 17 rebounds. He also had a deflection and a steal.

Ryder Balmos scored 13 points, five rebounds, an assist, two deflections, a steal and a block.

Liam Wilcox scored 12 points, five rebounds, three assists, three deflections, three steals and a block.

Bradon Gonzalez had two rebounds, an assist and a deflection.



Bryson Byers scored 15 points and grabbed 13 rebounds against Lampasas. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

**Salado 45**  
**Lampasas 49**

Lampasas Badgers outscored Salado 20-7 in the second period of their Jan. 14 district matchup and held on for a 49-45 win.

The Eagles matched Lampasas for 10 points in the third and outscored the Badgers 15-7 in the fourth.

Bryson Byers led the Eagles with a double double, scoring 15 points and grabbing 13 rebounds. He also had two deflections and a

steal. Liam Wilcox also had double figures with 14 points, four rebounds, two deflections and two steals.

Also scoring for the Eagles were Ryder Balmos, seven points, nine rebounds, an assist, three deflections and three steals; Griffin Self, six points, six rebounds and two assists; Mason Brown, three points, three rebounds and two deflections. For more, visit [saladovillagevoice.com](http://saladovillagevoice.com)



Richard McCain breaks past a defender in district win. (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

# Eagles start district soccer with win

Salado Eagles soccer started district out with a 4-0 shut out win over Cameron Yoe Jan. 14.

Gabe Merriman scored two goals for the Eagles on the night. Also scoring for the Eagles were Richard McCain and Peyton Bivens.

DeVonte Foster had two assists on the night. Also providing assists for the Eagles were Brody DeLukie and Caine Cruddas.

The Eagles lost a non-district game 1-3 to Waco University Jan. 17.

Ryley White scored the goal for the Eagles with an assist by Owen Stone.



Gabriel Merriman kicks the ball over Cameron Yoe's goalkeeper to score one of his two goals in the district opener last week. For more photos, visit [saladovillagevoice.com](http://saladovillagevoice.com)



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## Powerlifting results

Salado Lady Eagles had two squads compete at two meets Jan. 18

Following are the individual results for the Belton ISD Powerlifting Meet.

Eva Alcozer: third place and totaled 510 lbs.

Adyson Postell: totaled 495 lbs.

Emily Steigerwalt: Squat 150 lbs. and deadlift 170 lbs.

Madysen Upchurch: totaled 585 lbs.

Addison Matthews: totaled 560 lbs.

Maddie Casper: first place and totaled 775 lbs.

Braelynn Hendricks: second place and totaled 735 lbs.

Riley Guthrie: fifth place and totaled 645 lbs.

Leighton Mayberry: totaled 490 lbs. (Unequipped)

Lily Salguero: totaled 630 lbs. (Unequipped)

Brooklyn Lowe: totaled

505 lbs. Lindsay Sula: third place and totaled 750 lbs.

Following are individual results from the Pflugerville Hendrickson Powerlifting Meet.

Micah Fossum: squat 175 lbs. and deadlift 155 lbs.

Reese Guthrie: third place and totaled 430 lbs.

Layla Kotalik: fifth place and totaled 400 lbs.

Stella Nail: first place and totaled 495 lbs.

Sadie Raymond: third place and totaled 380 lbs.

Addison Ledger: fifth place and totaled 370 lbs.

Kinleigh Miller: bench 115 lbs. and deadlift 200 lbs.

Jemima Huerta: second place and totaled 460 lbs.

Paityn Booth: second place and totaled 605 lbs.

Gabriela Miranda: second place and totaled 545 lbs.

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# Lady Eagles split district games

Salado Lady Eagles split their district games with Lampasas and Taylor last week. They are in third place in District 24-4A behind Burnet and Jarrell.

**SHS 57**  
**LHS 39**

Salado Lady Eagles beat the visiting Lampasas Lady Badgers 57-39 on Jan. 14.

Karlee Konarik led Salado with 18 points, four rebounds, two assists, three deflections and a steal.

Brylee Craddick followed with 13 points, three assists and four steals.

Riley Guthrie scored 11 points, two rebounds, a deflection and a steal.

Also contributing were Ally Ihler, eight points, eight rebounds, two assists, a deflection and two steals; Bri Tutor, four points, two rebounds, three deflections and three steals; Addy McCain, two points and a rebound; Kate Maedgen, one point, three rebounds, three assists, a deflection and a steal; Mack Lewis, six rebounds, four

assists, a deflection and four steals; Morgan Riggs, a steal.

**SHS 40**  
**THS 47**

Salado Lady Eagles lost 47-40 on the road to Taylor Jan. 17.

Karlee Konarik had a double double to lead Salado, scoring 22 points and grabbing 12 rebounds. She also had eight deflections and six steals.

Also contributing for Salado were Ally Ihler, six points, four rebounds, an assist, five deflections and a steal; Brylee Craddick, five points, a rebound, two assists, two deflections and two steals; Mack Lewis, four points, two rebounds, two assists, four deflections and two steals; Riley Guthrie, two points, five rebounds, five deflections and five steals; Bri Tutor, one point, six rebounds and a steal; Jenna Goodman, two rebounds and two deflections; Kate Maedgen, a rebound, two assists, two deflections and a steal.



Riley Guthrie puts up two points against the Lampasas Lady Badgers. For more photos from the game, visit [saladovillagevoice.com](http://saladovillagevoice.com). (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

## Barker named to Dean's List at MidAmerica Nazarene Univ.

OLATHE, Kansas: Dillon Barker of Salado was named to the MidAmerica Nazarene University Dean's List for the fall 2024 semester. A total of 458 students qualified for the President's LIST, Dean's List or Honor Roll.

All students in traditional undergraduate programs carrying 12 semester hours or more with a term GPA from 3.2 to 4.0 may qualify for one of these academic honors. The President's List is a 4.0 grade point average for the semester; the Dean's List ranges from 3.5 to 3.99; and the Honor Roll is 3.2 to 3.49.

MidAmerica Nazarene University is a private, university of 1,500 students.

## SNHU names President's List

MANCHESTER, NH: Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) congratulates the following students on being named to the Fall 2024 President's List. The fall terms run from September to December.

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.700 and above for the reporting term are named to the President's List. Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits over each 16-week term or paired 8-week terms grouped in fall, winter/spring, and summer.

Area students named to the list were Misty Coe of Salado, Iliana Aguayo of Belton, Sebastian Santiago of Belton.

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Salado ISD Board of Trustees are (front row, from left) David Matthews, SISD Superintendent Dr. Michael Novotny, Board President Amy McLane, Board Secretary Savannah Hennig; (back row, from left) Dr. Eric Malmin, Jim Reed, Cooper Gill, Board Vice-President Dr. Chris Diem. (COURTESY PHOTO)

## Jan. is School Board Recognition

January is School Board Recognition Month, and Salado ISD is celebrating its trustees for their dedication and commitment to the district and its students. With the theme, Leadership for Tomorrow's Texas, Salado ISD celebrations will spotlight the essential role school board members play in guiding the future of education.

The month-long observance is an opportunity for members of our community to strengthen their understanding of the crucial role school boards play in uplifting public education and representing our residents.

Dan Troxell, executive director of the Texas Association of School Boards, applauded the efforts of volunteer trustees in providing leadership and good governance so that school districts can focus on educating the 5.5 million public schoolchildren in their care.

"School trustees voluntarily tackle the job of governing school districts and do so in a manner that

## Superintendent's Corner

by Dr. Michael Novotny



shows what it means to be unwavering in their commitment to the schoolchildren they serve," said Dan Troxell, TASB executive director. "While board members come from different backgrounds and live different lives, they collectively come together with the common goal to support students."

To acknowledge the work of school trustees, Gov. Greg Abbott issued a proclamation designating January as School Board Recognition Month. "School board members play an integral role in promoting a lifelong love of learning in the next generation," the proclamation states. To read the full proclamation, visit [tasb.org](http://tasb.org).

School board members are the state's largest group of locally elected officials.

Please join me in thanking our school board members for their service to our students, school district, and community:

Amy McLane, Board President, six years; Dr. Chris Diem, Board Vice President, six years; Savannah Hennig, Board Secretary, five years; Cooper Gill, one year; Dr. Eric Malmin, two years; David Matthews, two years; Jim Reed, nine years



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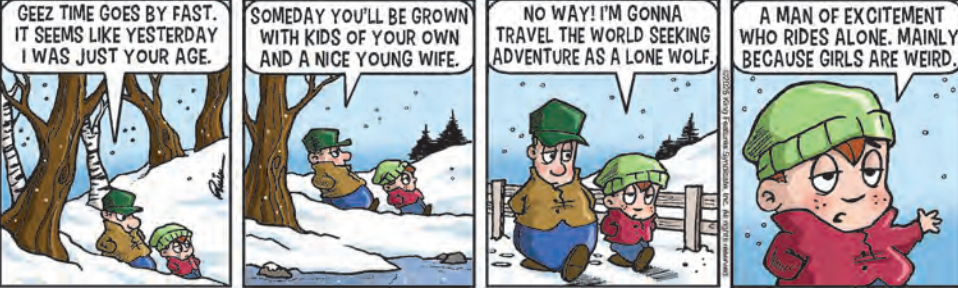
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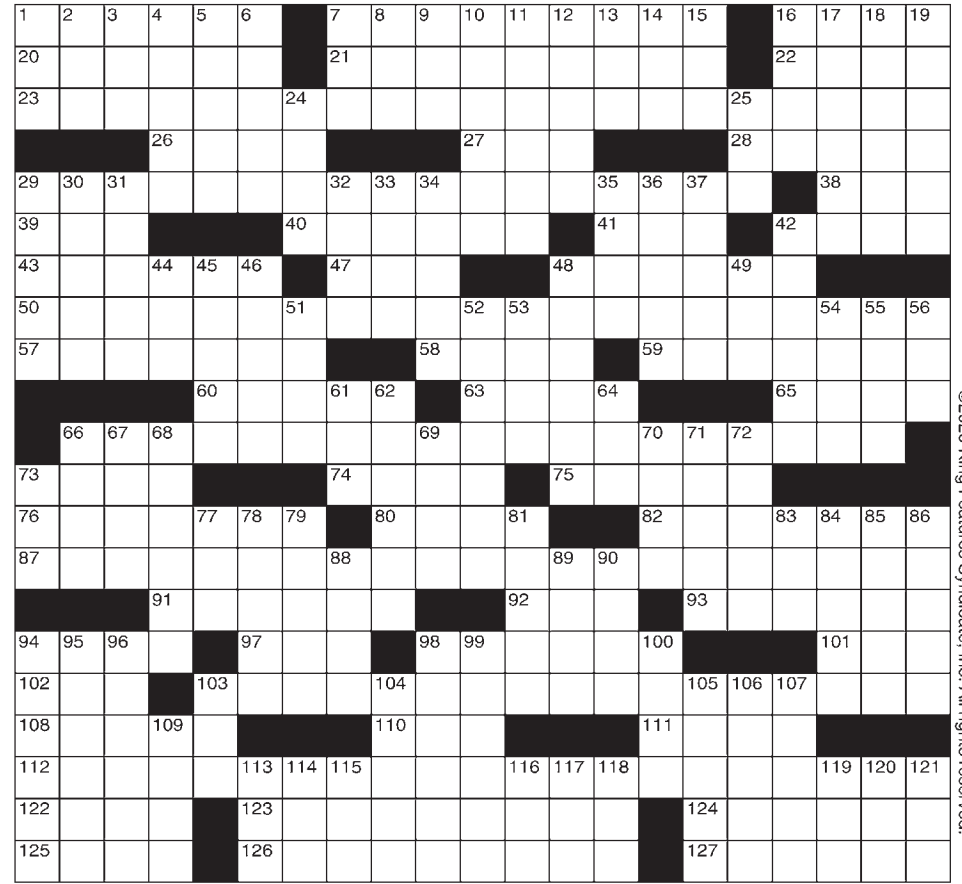
by Gary Kopervas

The Spats



by Jeff Pickering

- Crossword clues for Across and Down sections.



Contract Bridge

A SURE-TO-WIN POSITION

- Bridge hand details: North dealer, East-West vulnerable, and card distributions for North, West, East, and South.

Superficially, the slam seemed to depend on a successful heart finesse...

Actually, South had the slam in the bag from the word "go."

The bidding: North Pass, East Pass, South 1 spade, West Pass.

The finesse is a play that permits you to win a trick with a card lower than one held by an opponent.

Consider this deal where West led the king of clubs against six spades.

With the proper preparatory steps, South could have forced West to solve his problem for him.

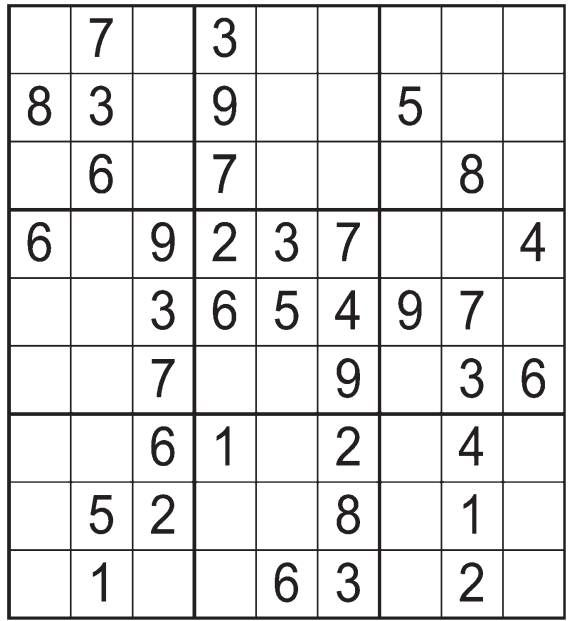
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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

- 10 trivia questions covering television, U.S. states, astronomy, movies, general knowledge, literature, geography, food & drink, sports, and advertisements.

Answers: 1. The Duffer Brothers, 2. Wyoming, 3. Uranus, 4. Kevin, 5. Taurus, Virgo and Capricorn, 6. Grawp, 7. Canberra, 8. Hazelnut, 9. Polo, 10. Clydesdale.

Weekly SUDOKU



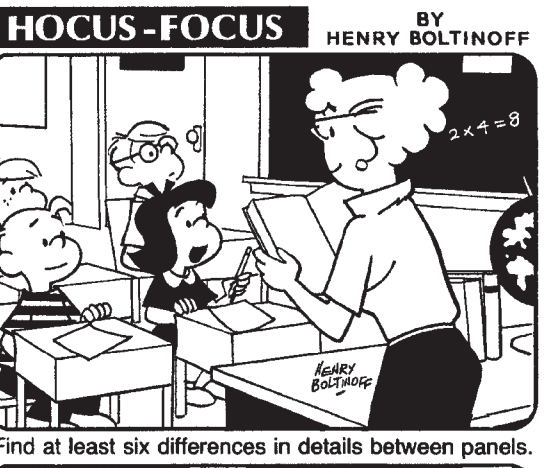
Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

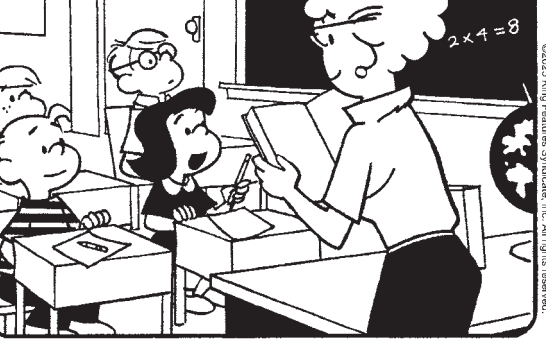
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Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Desk leg is missing, 2. Book is missing, 3. Door knob is higher, 4. Blackboard is wider, 5. Bow is missing, 6. Pencil is added on desk.

Weekly SUDOKU grid with numbers and empty cells.

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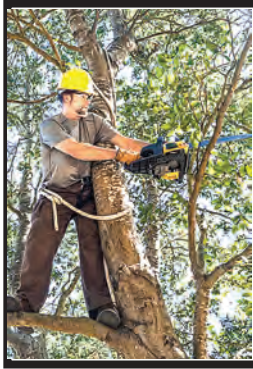


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# The Beltonian Theatre

## “A Night of Jazz” Jan 24

The Ben Rosenblum Trio will be joined by special guest vocalist Laura Anglade 7 p.m. Jan. 24 for a jazz concert at The Beltonian Theatre, 219 E. Central Ave.

Tickets can be purchased online at <https://thebeltoniantheatre.com/events/>. Tickets will be sold at the door.

Award-winning New York City jazz pianist/accordionist Ben Rosenblum and his trio will perform an intimate concert at the Beltonian Theatre in Belton. They will be joined by Juno-nominated vocalist Laura Anglade, a frequent collaborator.

Anglade and Rosenblum have performed together across the US and Canada, including at the Rochester Jazz Festival and famed jazz venues such as Upstairs (Montreal), Mezzrow (New York City), the Jazz Bistro (Toronto) and the Morris Museum (New Jersey).

French and American singer Laura Anglade is a promising storyteller with a lot to say. She draws inspiration from Carmen McRae, Blossom Dearie, Sarah Vaughan, Ella Fitzgerald, Shirley Horn, Billie Holiday, and Barbra Strei-

sand, among others. Laura has made a mark in the music scenes of New York, Paris, London, Toronto and Montreal, collaborating with some of the world's finest musicians, including Peter Bernstein, Jonathan Kreisberg, Ben Paterson, Ira Coleman, Neil Swainson, to name a few. Her debut album, 'I've Got Just About Everything' (Justin Time Records, 2022) was met with praise by critics and fans alike. Her second Juno-nominated album, 'Venez Donc Chez Moi' (Justin Time Records, 2022) is a duo recording featuring Montreal guitarist Sam Kir-mayer, with whom she was awarded the "Prix Opus" for Jazz Concert of the Year in 2023. Her next album, 'Get Out Of Town', will feature a distinguished lineup, including Ben Paterson, Peter Bernstein, Neal Miner, Neil Swainson, and Adam Arruda and is scheduled to be released in the spring of 2025. She is currently based in New York City. In 2022, Laura joined singer Melody Gardot across the east and west coasts of the United States and Europe. Laura has performed in renowned

venues such as Olympia (Paris), the Royal Festival Hall (London), Town Hall (New York City), the Ace Theatre Hotel (Los Angeles), and the main stage at the Festival International de Jazz de Montreal.

Pianist, accordionist and composer Ben Rosenblum has traversed a truly unique musical path, one that has seen him perform alongside world-class musicians across more than twenty music genres and fifteen countries, lead bands at prestigious venues across the world, all while maintaining a signature, melodic musical voice. Rosenblum's journey has taken him on tours with Grammy-winning pop artist Rickie Lee Jones and Juno-winning contemporary Indian singer Kiran Ahluwalia. He's played Brazilian choro with Ephrat Asherie Dance and Brazilian forró with The Late Night Show's Nêgah Santos and famed forró band Forró in the Dark. His roots in jazz have led to an over ten-year relationship with Grammy-winning bassist Curtis Lundy, performing at festivals alongside jazz luminaries Bobby

Watson, Sean Jones and Warren Wolf. He has appeared with the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra on accordion, and as a guest soloist on piano at Carnegie Hall's Stern-Perelman Auditorium with Maestro Reona Ito's New York Harmonic Band. Throughout it all, Rosenblum has always maintained the same priority - to tell a compelling story with his music, reaching the hearts of his audience and connecting on an emotional, intellectual and spiritual level. Rosenblum brings this wealth and diversity of experiences to his projects as a leader, overseeing a full tour schedule as a solo artist, with his trio and most recently, with his six-piece ensemble, the Nebula Project. Since his first album as a leader, Instead (4 stars, Downbeat Magazine), he has since released three follow-up records to critical acclaim, including favorable reviews in almost every major jazz publication (Downbeat, All About Jazz, Jazziz, JazzTimes, JazzEd, NYC Jazz Record, JazzLife Japan and many more).

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Date	Location	Call
01/12	S MAIN ST, Salado	Dispatched & canceled en route
01/12	LARK TRL, Bell	EMS call, excluding MVA with injury
01/12	NB I35, Bell	Dispatched & canceled en route
01/12	CROWS RANCH RD, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
01/12	OLD MILL RD, Salado	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
01/13	CHISHOLM TRL, Salado	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
01/13	FM 2484, Bell	False alarm or false call, other
01/13	WALKER CIR, Salado	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
01/13	NIKI DR, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
01/14	SMITH DAIRY RD, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
01/14	RITA BEND DR, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
01/15	CHISHOLM TRL, Salado	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
01/15	Cedar Valley Road, Bell	Smoke scare, odor of smoke
01/15	ROCK CREEK DR, Salado	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
01/15	N IH-35 Service road HWY, Salado	Motor vehicle accident, no injuries.
01/16	BREWER RD, Bell, TX	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
01/16	ARMSTRONG RD, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
01/16	BISHOP DR, Salado, TX	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
01/16	FM 2843, Bell	Dispatched & canceled en route
01/17	I-35, Bell	No incident found on arrival
01/17	GALVESTON RD, Bell	Dispatched & canceled en route
01/18	S LOOP 121, Belton	Dispatched & canceled en route

## Bell County Master Gardeners schedule for Feb. announced

Jan 25

The Bell County Master Gardener Association presents a hands-on workshop "Seed Starting" on Saturday, January 25 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: \$25

Register at [bcmgaspeakers@gmail.com](mailto:bcmgaspeakers@gmail.com)

Feb 8

The Bell County Master Gardeners and the Temple Public Library Garden Club presents "Herbs 101" on Saturday, February 8 at

2 p.m. at the Temple Public Library, 100 W. Adams, Temple. Certified Master Gardener, Tracy Brown will discuss how Central Texas has a unique climate that allows for a diverse range of herbs that have culinary and aromatic uses. She will provide a brief overview of some popular herbs you can grow in Central Texas. We would like to invite you to attend the "Herbal Bath Blends" demonstration immediately following the seminar. Must be registered to attend the demonstration. Class Limit: 15  
Please register for demonstration at [bit.ly/TPLAdultRegistration](http://bit.ly/TPLAdultRegistration)  
For any questions, please contact Norma Kramer, Temple Public Library, 254-298-5555

Feb 14

The Bell County Master Gardeners and Troy Chamber of Commerce Lunch and Learn presents "Roses in the Landscape", Friday, February 14 from 12 to 1 P.M. at the Troy Community Center, 201 E. Main St., Troy. Certified Master Gardener's Carol Morisette and Jan Upchurch will dis-

cuss types of roses, when to plant, prune, how to propagate and perform maintenance. They will also discuss Rosette disease. Class Limit: 50  
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The Bell County Master Gardener Association is hosting a free monthly seminar "Landscaping with Drought Tolerant Native Plants" on Thursday, February 20 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Texas Agrilife Extension Office, BCMGA Learning Center, 1605 N. Main St., Belton. Certified Master Gardener, Barbara Ishikawa and Natalie McAnerney will discuss how to best use native drought tolerant plants in your landscaping that grow well in Central Texas. They will provide a list of native plants that grow well in Central Texas. Class Limit: 50  
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