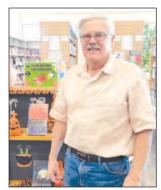
Library gets with the program



Public Library Director Don Wetterauer.

Avalanche photo by Roxanne Hill

BY ROXANNE HILL

Staff Writer

Public libraries have always been known as more than just a place for bookworms. Whether library patrons drop their children off for story time to keep them entertained after school, or for adults to participate in exercise activities, or even just sit and relax while browsing the latest publications, the public library has what they are looking for.

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Park restoration project underway

BY SHAWNA GRAVES

Contributing Writer

The oldest intact structure in Big Bend National Park is getting much needed protection thanks to a preservation project funded by Big Bend Conservancy.

The Alvino House, located in the Castolon district on the southwest side of the park, was acquired in the 1960s at a time when sentiment favored preserving historic structures. The National Historic Preservation Act, passed in 1966, required that measures be taken to do so.

Rather than destroy the Alvino House or leave it to the ravages of exposure, the park committed to actively preserve what was left of it.

Built around 1901, the structure served as a residence and supply store, and housed several different families over time, with Alvino Ybarra living there from 1918 to 1957.

The Alvino House is the best example of vernacular architecture in the park, according to project leader and Center for Big Bend Studies archaeologist David Keller. Using whatever materials were available, including cottonwood tree trunks as ceiling beams and newspaper as wallpaper, its original inhabitants made do with what they had.

Keller has carefully studied the structure and its various additions. He suspects that the cottonwood population was eventually depleted, and railroad commerce made access to lumber relatively easy, explaining why milled lumber was used for ceiling beams on

later additions.

The primary building material used was adobe bricks. The bricks could be made from readily available deposits of clay, sand, horse manure, and water.

Sifted horse manure is the secret ingredient in these bricks, according to Keller. Most adobe bricks use a ratio of 70% sand and 30% clay. But the naturally occurring silt component in local clay tends to weaken the final product, so in place of some of the sand, sifted horse manure was used. This organic component helps to strengthen and bind the final product. The manure is added in its decomposed state, and closely resembles compost or potting soil one might find at a gardening store.



Sifting clay is part of the prep work at the site of the Alvino House preservation project in Big Bend

National Park.

Photo by Shawna Graves

Runnin' for the Bucks

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Martin Sablatura, Hatfield Cason, and Marco Martinez compete at the Big Bend Mountain Ramble hosted by Alpine Cross Country on Oct. 2.

Courtesy photo

Hot cars roll into Alpine for Octane-Fest

BY GAIL DIANE YOVANOVICH

Managing Editor

Among several cool car events planned annually by The Stable owner Dave Durant was this year's third annual Big Bend Octane-Fest running from Oct.

Sponsored by The Stable Performance Cars, the Gage Hotel, Brick Vault Brewery and Barbecue, Out West Feed and Supply, Lund Racing, NAPA, Oasis Tires, and Porter's, the event will bring several car

The rally was put together by Team Shelby Central Plains and Austin Maness of Dallas, and Paul Woepell of the Alamo Corvette Club.

clubs into Alpine, including the Southwest Texas Shelby and Performance Club, the Alamo Area Corvette Club, and Team Shelby Texas. They will be joined by several local and ontheir-own drivers as well. Durant so far expects 75

Hot cars lined up for a cool show at the Alpine Civic Center at a past Octane-Fest.

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Corliss Jean Hill George

Corliss Jean Hill George, 77, of Belton, Texas, passed away on Sept. 26, 2021, at Baylor, Scott and White in Temple, Texas.

Private graveside services will be held at New Hope Cemetery near Mineola,

Corliss was born on April 13, 1944 at her grandmother's home in Wood County, Texas, to Barton and Ladell Smith Hill. She was raised in Mineola, and graduated from Mineola High School. She received her Bachelor of Science degree from North Texas State University, now the University of North Texas, in Denton.

Corliss was a devoted



daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother and friend. She was happiest when her children and grandchildren were near, and especially enjoyed baking and portrait photography. She never lost her sense of adventure as her marriage to a Texas football coach took her from the Piney Woods of East Texas to the mountains of Alpine, Texas, and the Gulf Coast, finally settling in Belton for the last 21 years.

She volunteered with Meals on Wheels, and enjoyed the friendships she made through United Methodist Women. She loved reading, especially Southern literature, and dancing the two-step with her husband Joe of 56 years.

Survivors include her husband Joe of Belton; daughters Julia George of Seneca, S.C., and Joanna McDonald of Austin, Texas; brother Barton Hill of Woodsboro, Texas; and five grandchildren, Stephanie, Joelle, John Joseph, Laura, and Hannah.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Methodist Children's Home in Waco, Texas..

Kay Evans Stovell

Kay Evans Stovell of Alpine, Texas, passed into the arms of Jesus on Sept. 30, 2021. She was 81 years young, and surrounded by family in Abilene, Texas. Kay was born in Roswell, N.M., on Aug. 27, 1940.

She grew up in Roswell, and attended Roswell High School until her family moved to Alpine in 1958. She graduated from Alpine High School, class of 1958, then went on to attend Sul Ross State University.

In June 1959 she and John Robert "Bob" Stovell were married at St. James Episcopal Church. The couple started off by moving to Lubbock, Texas, where they worked and went to Texas Tech University. Kay worked in the library at Tech until the birth of their son John in May 1960. She then became a devoted mother and helper to her husband. In 1962, a second son, Joe was born.

After working and finishing college at Tech, the young family found work that took them to Fort Worth, Texas. In Fort Worth Kay had many activities with PTA,



church, and bridge clubs.

In 1969 a new addition to the family was born. Stephanie came into her world in July, and the household changed because now they had a precious little girl. This addition to the family brought new friendships and acquaintances.

As time passed, more work opportunities took the family to El Paso in 1973. Kay was very busy with being a loving mother and wife. The children grew rapidly, and became involved with all sorts of school and community activities. Sports and church seemed to occupy a lot of the time. As time went by she found time to teach kindergarten at All Saints Episcopal School. She found her calling as a teacher because she loved children.

After 13 years in El Paso, her children had grown to start their own lives. In 1986, she and Bob accepted a challenge to move to Colorado and develop a ranching and hunting property for Phillip Anschutz. They spent 10 years there and, having completed their project, moved back to Alpine in 1996.

At that time, grandchildren had begun to arrive in the family, and Kay was back in the business of nurturing children. In Alpine Kay was involved with Pilot Club, bridge clubs, and the altar guild of Holy Cross Anglican Church. After a few years she worked at Needleworks dress shop, and found a new calling. She was always fashion conscious and dressed accordingly. She made many friends helping people pick the right outfit for them.

She retired to take care of her plants and pets at their home in Alpine. She continued to play bridge until CO-VID-19 stopped social activities. The last year of her life was spent battling cancer, but this extra year of life allowed her to see the addition of another great grandson to the family.

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James "Jim" Wallace

Ponton

James "Jim" Wallace Ponton, 64, of Fort Worth, Texas, passed away while surrounded by loved ones in Dallas, Texas, on Sept. 26, 2021. A memorial service will be held in San Antonio, Texas, on Saturday, Oct. 16, 2021, at 11 a.m., at First Presbyterian Church, 404 North Alamo Street, San Antonio 78205.

Jim was born June 8, 1957 in Fort Worth at Harris Hospital to Dr. Arvel Rodolphus Ponton, Jr., and Beryl Francis Ponton of Fort Worth. The youngest of five siblings, Jim was raised in Alpine, Texas, and moved to San Antonio at the age of 16. He graduated from Alamo Heights High School before attending Texas A&M for two years. Jim then transferred to his alma mater, the University of Texas at Austin, where he received a BBA in real estate.

During college, Jim volunteered for Amigos de las Americas, traveling to Central America where he provided health care and administered vaccines to remote villagers for two summers. He was also a member of the Kappa Sigma fraternity, and helmed a boat for the UT Austin waterskiing team. After graduating, Jim managed a Luby's in Corpus Christi, Texas, where he learned to carve turkey and mastered his homemade gravy - a staple of every subsequent family Thanksgiving.

Jim returned to Austin, where he focused on commercial real estate appraisal, became a certified MAI appraiser, and eventually started his own appraisal company. During that time, Jim married the love of his life, Shawn Redman Ponton, in 1984. The pair moved to Dallas where they welcomed their two children, Alexandra "Alex" Kathryn Ponton



and Wyatt Parkhurst Ponton. Jim and Shawn then relocated to San Antonio to raise Alex and Wyatt among friends and family.

In San Antonio, Jim worked for the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and served as president of the South Texas Appraisal Institute.

An avid volunteer, Jim was a long-time usher at the First Presbyterian Church of San Antonio, a two-time chairman of Fiesta Noche del Rio through his membership with the Alamo Kiwanis Club, and the leader of his son Wyatt's Boy Scout Troop.

While extremely devoted to his career, Jim considered his two children the pride of his life and top priority. No matter how busy, when asked if he had time to help with the kids, Jim would always respond, "Shawn, I will make the time."

He also had a passion for cooking, which began at a young age after his parents continuously served cow

tongue with raisin sauce. Jim's other favorite pastimes included reading, researching history, collecting historical maps of Texas, and watching classic Western films. He was joyful, goofy, and, as most would say, one of a kind. Jim's friends and family will remember him being the quintessential gentleman.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, Dr. Arvel Rodolphus Ponton, Jr., and Bervl Francis Ponton. His maternal grandparents, James Wallace Francis, Jr. (Jim's namesake), and Beryl May Francis, held a special place in Jim's heart. He is survived by Shawn, his beloved wife of 36 years; daughter Alex and her husband Richard Johnson; son Wyatt; siblings Berry Crowley, Rod Ponton, and Jan Stallard; many nieces, nephews, and godchildren; as well as his adored black Lab. Astro.

The Ponton Family wishes to express their sincere appreciation and thanks to Dr. Juby Joseph, physicians and staff at UT Southwestern Medical Center, and Aviator Home Health for their outstanding support and care.

Memorial gifts may be made to the National Kidney Foundation or the American Kidney Fund.



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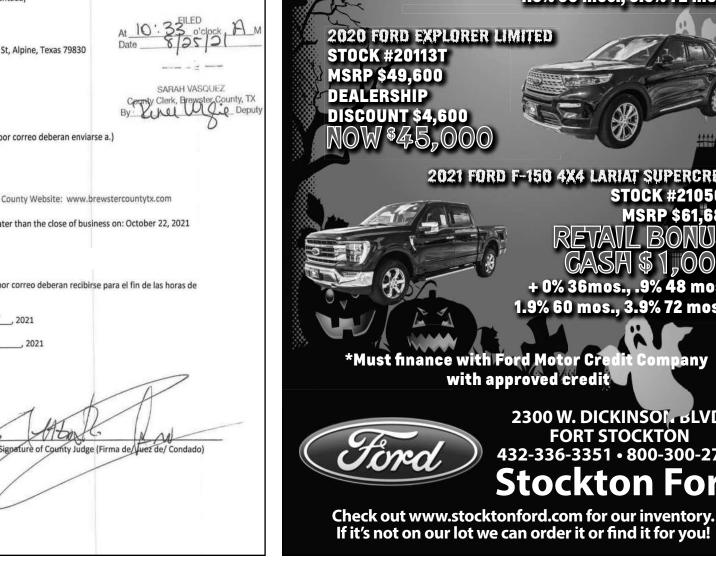
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Multi-agency rescue in national park

U.S. Border Patrol and its entities, along with multiple local agencies under a unified command led by the National Park Service, rescued a lost hiker in Big Bend National Park.

Late in the afternoon of Sept. 27, the National Park Service received information that a female hiker was overdue in Big Bend National Park. A hasty search did not result in any new information before dark. Favorable weather conditions in the park and the known experience level of the hiker did not necessitate an immediate overnight search that would have put rescuers at risk.

Overnight, Border Patrol agents, Border Patrol Search, Trauma, and

Rescue, National Park Service, Department of Public Safety, Customs and Border Protection Air and Marine Operations, U.S. Border Patrol horse and K9 units, and mobile technology were mobilized and deployed to the last known location of the hiker in the Chisos Basin.

After more than 16 hours of searching, agents assigned to the Border Patrol Horse Patrol Unit successfully located the footprints of the lost hiker, and tracked them to a remote location in Juniper Canyon, where an agent heard faint screaming.

The hiker was found responsive, and was immediately tended to by paramedics. She was then flown by a Customs and Border Protection Air and Marine Operations UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter to Big Bend Regional Medical Center in Alpine.

"The coordinated actions of all agencies involved led to the successful rescue of a lost hiker," said Big Bend Sector Chief Sean L. Mc-Goffin. "This is a great example where multiple local agencies pooled their resources to work together to save a life. We appreciate the close working partnerships in the Big Bend region."

Big Bend Sector and the National Park Service remind everyone to remain vigilant, keep in contact with the other members of their party, and prepare for environmental changes when hiking.



A Customs and Border Protection Air and Marine Operations UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter flew a rescued hiker to Big Bend Regional Medical Center on Sept. 28.

Courtesy photo

Alpine taxidermy shop aims with new owners

BY ROXANNE HILL Staff Writer

Selecting a taxidermist to mount that big buck is just as important as choosing the right hunting equipment, and that is no exception with Hip-o Taxidermy, a full-service facility and wild game meat processing business in Alpine.

Hunting season typically runs from September through the end of January, and archery season for mule deer just started, along with pronghorn, aoudad, elk, and red sheep.

Hip-O Taxidermy features a wide variety of local and exotic animals mounted on the walls, including some from African safari and out of state hunts. Howard and

April Parsons took over Hip-O in July this year, after the previous owner retired. The Parsons and their three children Kayleigh, Sage, and Cadence, who attend Alpine ISD schools, relocated to the area from Roswell, N.M., after Howard continued his career as a Border Patrol agent in Marfa.

"I've been with the Border Patrol a little over 14 years, and we have moved around several times," said Howard. "We were looking for somewhere nice to settle down with our kids, and we like the area, the schools, the people. This has always been an interest of mine, and the opportunity presented itself to learn from a world class taxidermist and

great friend. So that's why we decided to buy it, so we could be a part of the community."

Lead taxidermist Sam Cook possesses the knowledge and expertise to get the job done right. The award-winning taxidermist even highlighted his skills on the History Channel's Mounted in Alaska show in 2012.

Joining Cook is Caleb Hughes, a taxidermist who is involved with the Mule Deer Foundation. Besides running the office, April, affectionately known as the "Snake Lady," is in charge of tanning and skinning the reptiles. Other animals get skinned in the back portion of the shop, and then get mounted out front once they are com-

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Howard's favorite animal to hunt, by far, is the aoudad.

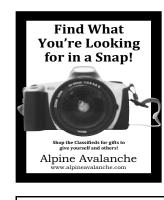
"They are a fun animal, they are so tough, and they live in the rugged country- you know how rugged the country is out here - and they thrive in it," he said.

"It's not an easy hunt. You really have to work for it!" exclaimed April.

Howard recalls the cherished memories for daughter Kayleigh, a student at Alpine Middle School, when he took her on a pronghorn hunt. After taking the animal to the taxidermist, Kayleigh was elated to see the finished animal mounted in her room.

The Howards look forward to welcoming the public to come out and meet them, and see what they do.

"The hunting around here is ridiculously good," said Howard. "I never imagined having such a wide variety and good quality of animals around here."





Lead taxidermist Sam Cook, owners April and Howard Parsons, and taxidermist Caleb Hughes.

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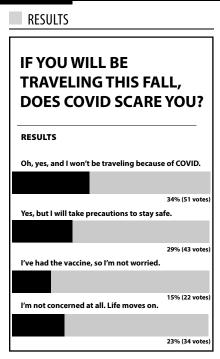
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- Yes, but for now he should run for Congress in 2022 first to put a damper on the liberals.

- No way! Trump was the worst.
- I don't care one way or the other.

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On a daily basis, we get to be involved in so many great things that our students are doing. Our students continue to reach achievements that everyone is proud of. As we move into the month of October, the students are busy with activities and events.

The band is gearing up for their upcoming marching competition. I encourage you to watch them perform at one of our football games. The athletic teams are or will be in district competition soon and vying for playoff spots. Our younger students have participated in events such as Kids, Kows and More, and are getting excited about the activities during Red Ribbon/homecoming week. These are just some examples of the exciting things our students are involved in.

In communities such as Alpine, staff, parents, and community members are



BECKY McCUTCHEN Alpine ISD Superintendent

passionate about school districts. At times, this passion can shift to a path of information seeking. When information is sought from unofficial sources, incorrect information and inaccurate details can be spread. This inevitably leads to

an overshadowing of all the positive activities in an organization.

At Alpine ISD, the official source for information has and always will be the administration. We fully understand the need for open and honest communication, and welcome any and all questions pertaining to the district. We know that problems, big or small, begin with the lack of communication or the spread of incorrect information. This action leaves less room to grow positivity, and allows for negativity to spread.

As a school district, we ask that you reach out to the principal or program director for campus concerns or questions. If the concern is district wide, the best source for information is the superintendent. The chain of responsibility is key, and email, phone calls, and face to face meetings are the recommended method for seeking information. It is unfortunate that individuals turn to unofficial sources for information, which leads to an escalation of unnecessary problems and false information.

Positivity goes a long way, and a positive mindset results in positive actions. There is always good to be seen and found, if that is what you are looking for. Be Better, Be Best, Bucks.

The lie about Border Patrol agents is still a lie

anyone.

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Simply saying something over and over doesn't make it so. I know because I've tried it. No matter how many times I say, "I'm a good golfer, I'm a good golfer," the reality is I still stink, as anyone who has seen me on the course will verify.

Yet the George Costanza it's-not-alie-if-you-believe-it strategy is alive and thriving in the highest levels of government and media.

For Exhibit A – and there are others but we'll just stick with this one - let's examine the "Border patrol agents on horses seen whipping migrants" story. The problem with this story is it never actually happened but the President of the U.S., his administration, and too many media outlets pretended it did.

At a press conference on Friday, President Biden threatened Border Patrol

"It's outrageous. I promise you those people will pay."

Pay how and for what, we're not sure. "It was horrible to see what you saw, to see people treated like they did - horses nearly running them over, people being

strapped," Biden said. Here's the problem, Mr. President. I didn't see it, and neither did you or any-

What we did see is a photo of border patrol agents on horseback twirling reins, which are used to steer a horse. Not that anyone would mistake me for Roy Rogers, but I know that much. There are no photos of agents whipping migrants. None. Nor is there any video, in an age when there's video of everything.

The photographer, Paul Ratje, who took the controversial images to which the president and his acolytes refer, told



Guest Columnist

ning, trying to go around the horses," JOE GUZZARDI Ratje, told the TV

station. "I've never seen them whip anyone. He was swinging it, but it can be misconstrued when you're looking at the picture."

Ratje's images were published on Sunday. On Monday, DHS Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas defended agents, saying they often use long reins to control horses to keep people from coming too close and getting seriously injured. But by Tuesday, Mayorkas said he was "horrified" by the images. By Wednesday, there was an investigation underway, and the agents involved were on desk duty.

What changed? There were no new photos. The skeptical me wonders if Mayorkas got a phone call from someone in the White House Monday night encouraging him to take a second look at the photos, and come up with a different interpretation. In other words, look at the photo as you would Monet's "Impression, Sunrise" and see whatever you like.

Another consequence of this false story – other than truth itself – is that Border Patrol agents are no longer allowed to use horses. It should be noted that mounted law enforcement officers are not new. Horses have been used, mostly for crowd control, in big cities throughout the country for decades. They've used horses on the border because agents are often traversing unpaved roads and paths. No matter. As long as we're reacting to something that never happened, we need to keep up the pretense. Let the investigation continue, and never let the facts get in the way.

It seems that the story in Del Rio - the real story, the worsening border crisis, the humanitarian catastrophe - was generally ignored by the media and political class until Ratje's photos went viral. Why?

I don't think it's a stretch to suggest that agents whipping migrants is an attractive narrative for those who favor lax immigration or open borders policies. Besides, the truth is far too embarrassing.

Now, according to Mayorkas, some 12,000 unvaccinated, COVID-untested Haitian migrants who showed up in Del Rio have been transferred into the country's interior.

So much for "Your journey will not succeed," as Mayorkas had warned.

Vice President Harris, who was put in charge of getting control of illegal immigration at the border, has said next to nothing about the crisis, which she helped create. However, she did weigh in on the photos of border patrol agents on horseback, saying they evoke "times of slavery."

To recap, the Biden administration made the choice to perpetuate a false story, declare war on its own Border Patrol agents, show the U.S. as a racist, intolerant country, and ensure that the media is sufficiently distracted by the lie thus diverting attention from the overarching issue which is this – if you don't have a secure border, you will eventually cease to have a country.

Political expediency defeats reality,

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STREET Our Avalanche reporter asked, "Do you attend religious services regularly?"



Rosemary Briseño, Alpine: No, we are not religious.



Buddy Imboden, Alpine: Generally, no, but occasionally, if it involves family.



Kelly Olsen, Alpine: Yes, we are here at Hillside Baptist Church every Sunday and Wednesday typically without fail..



Scott Huckaby, Alpine: Yes, every week at 10 a.m., the Alpine Bible Church meets under the pavilion by Kokernot Park at the pool. We meet every Sunday. We also have a bible study on at 6 p.m. on Sunday evenings at Moss Creek Chapel one mile south of Alpine on Highway 118.



Barbara Tucker, Alpine: Yes. I am just so glad the church is open again. When we were at home attending, I felt good about it, but I didn't realize just the difference right now, now that we are going back and putting it back into a routine. I just love it, and I just love Father Matta. He is so awesome.

Library to host forum on local health care

provide community mem-

bers with a forum for sharing

their experiences. A fuller un-

On Saturday, Oct. 16, at 1 p.m. Alpine Public Library will host a forum about local health care.

The Big Bend is designated as a Health Professional Shortage Area by the U.S. government, and residents of the area, both those accessing and those providing health care, experience the challenges of this shortage. Alpine Public Library will

Send your community events to

Alcoholics Anonymous, 502

E. Lockhart Ave. Schedules avail-

able on front door. For more in-

formation, call 915-562-4081 or

Alpine Lions Club meeting,

American Legion Post 79

meeting, 6:30 p.m., second

Monday each month, Legion

Hall, 306 W. Sul Ross Ave. Dinner

American Legion Auxiliary

meeting, 6:30 p.m., third Mon-

day each month, Legion Hall, 306

rale rehearsals on Monday

evenings at 6 p.m. in the First

United Methodist Church sanc-

tuary in Alpine. All are welcome,

but first contact Andrew Alegria

at Andrew.alegria@sulross.edu, call 432-837-8216, or visit bbc-

Citizenship Classes, at Al-

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Big Bend Community Cho-

noon Tuesdays at the Sul Ross

University Center, Room 210.

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derstanding of local medical resources, unmet health care needs, and inequities in access to resources will benefit area residents, health care providers, and government agencies as they make decisions related to health care.

This event is offered as part of Libraries Transforming Communities: Focus on Small and Rural Libraries, an initiative of the American Library Association in collaboration with the Association for Rural and Small Libraries.

to reserve a seat, contact the library at 432-837-2621, or email desk@alpinepubliclibrary.org. Visit the library website at alpine

ROCK SLIDES

ment only, 805 W. Ave. E. 432-

GED tutoring, at Alpine Pub-

Kiwanis Club of Alpine, noon, Wednesdays at the Sul Ross

Senior Coffee, 9:30 a.m.noon on Fridays at Alpine Public Library, 805 W. Ave E. 432-837-

Sons of the Legion, 6:30 Legion Hall, 306 W. Sul Ross Ave.



837-2621 **ESL Tutoring**, at Alpine Public Library, 805 W. Ave. E. Call 432-837-2621 to make an appointment.

lic Library, 805 W. Ave. E. Call 432-837-2621 to make an appointment.

University Center, room 210.

805 W. Ave E. After school club for grades one to three.

p.m., fourth Monday each month,

Pet of the Week

Alpine Humane Society Pet of the Week is Busy Bee, a gorgeous girl who is 16 years old. But please don't let her age put you off. Busy Bee's owner became ill and surrendered her, hoping her cat would find a comfortable home to live out the rest of her life.

Busy Bee is just an older cat looking for a warm window sill to spend her time. Her days of being busy are mostly behind her, but she still has some wonderful companionship to give. She has unique markings, and would love to grace your home with her presence. So let's get this girl out of the shelter so she can live her best life.

Alpine Humane Society offers a pet pantry to assist those experiencing temporary difficulties paying for food for their pets. The pantry, located inside the AHS Thrift Store, offers dog, puppy, kitten, and cat food during store



hours. AHS also welcomes food donations for the pantry, and donors receive 10% off their thrift store purchases on the day they donate.

Adoptions are handled by Alpine Animal Services at the city shelter, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 2-6 p.m. Monday through Friday at 2900 East Old Marathon Highway.

The Alpine Humane Society Thrift Store and Cattery is at 706 North Fifth Street in Alpine. For information about adoptions or other services, call the shelter at 432-837-9030. To view adoptable pets, visit alpinehumanesoci-

Blessing of animals at the Farmer's Market

The annual Blessing of the Animals will be held this year at the Farmers Market on Saturday, Oct. 9, from 9 a.m.-noon. Dogs, cats, guinea pigs, fish, donkeys, and every other creature are welcomed to be blessed. For pets who don't play well with others, or maybe aren't very mobile, or recently lost pets, bring a photo of the pet to receive a blessing. Curb-side blessings are also available.

Human and animal snacks will be available, along with a certificate of official blessing and the prayer for all animals. This event is sponsored by St. James Episcopal

Church. St. Francis of Assisi, a wealthy Italian, lived from 1181-1226. He saw a vision, and turned his life to God and helping the poor and living among them. He was the founder of an Order of Friars, a preacher, and peacemaker, and Catholic church reformer. He was also known



as a patron saint of the environment and the animals. On July 16, 1228, he was pronounced a saint by Pope Gregory IX less than two years after his death.

Oct. 4 is considered the Day of St. Francis of Assisi, and churches hold activities for Blessing of the Animals in his name. The blessing of each animal, by name, means that health, healing, and life are being mediated from God for the benefit of the animals and their owners.

Youth activities at the library

From Oct. 1 through Oct. 31, Teens are invited to discover a new recipe from an Alpine Public Library cookbook, and share their results on social media. Gift certificates to local restaurants will be rewarded for all efforts. For more details, contact Mary Beth at kids@alpinepubliclibrary.org.

Happily Hallow-Read will take place at the library throughout October. Kids can read their favorite books and earn creepy electronic badges and ghoulish reading buddies as they log their reading during the month. For ages 4-10. Register for this program at alpinepubliclibrary. beanstack.org.

For more information or publiclibrary.org.

Voter registration assis-Tuesdays-Thursdays, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Alpine Public Library, 805 W. Ave E. 432-837-2621.

Walk for Life, 9-10 a.m. Tuesdays beginning March 30. Locations will vary, so call or email to register at Cathy@cathywright. com or 832-314-8103. A movement intelligence program by Cathy Wright, Learning for Life

Zumba, 6-7 p.m. every Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday at Alpine Public Library, 805 W. Ave E., with instructor Eva Lambert.



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926 head of cattle sold on an uneven market, with excellent buyer attendance. This is the top of the market and prices range down from this according to quality, condition, and fill. Compared to the last week:

COMPARED TO LAST WEEK: Stocker Calves: Steady to \$2.00 higher

Feeder Cattle: Steady to 3.00 higher Packer Cows and Bulls: Steady to \$2.00 lower 400# - 500# Heifers......150.00 to 165.00 500# - 600# Steers......165.00 to 178.00 500# - 600# Heifers.....141.50 to 150.00 600# - 700# Steers......141.00 to 165.00 600# - 700# Heifers......137.00 to 141.50 700# - 800# Heifers......122.00 to 137.00 Canner & Cutter Cows......53.00 to 60.00 Packer Bulls85.00 to 91.25 Feeder Bulls65.00 to 75.00 Cow / Calf Pairs - Top Half......1000.00 to 1

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE CITY OF ALPINE THAT A PLANNING & ZONING PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD AT 5:30 P.M. ON OCTOBER 25, 2021 REGARDING:

1. SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION TO ALLOW APPLICANT THOMAS KELNER TO ESTABLISHA WINE BAR WHICH WOULD INCLUDE THE SERVING & SALE OF ALCOHOL. PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 116 N 5TH STREET. RECORD PROPERTY OWNER(S): LOFT HOLDINGS LLC. 2. CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION TO ALLOW APPLICANTS MARK & EDEN HINSHAW, DBA ROUX ALPINE, TO ESTABLISH A MIXED-USE OCCUPANCY RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL BUSINESS WITH A DETACHED COMMERCIAL KITCHEN ON PREMISE. PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 1008 W SUL ROSS AVENUE. RECORD PROPERTY OWNER(S): MARK & EDEN HINSHAW.

THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY OCTOBER 25, AT 5:30 P.M. AT CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS LOCATED AT 803 WEST HOLLAND AVENUE AND VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE TO HEAR CITIZEN VIEWS AND COMMENTS CONCERNING THE PROPOSED APPLICATION. MEETING LOGIN DETAILS MAY BE FOUND AT WWW.CITYOFALPINE.COM 24 HOURS PRIOR TO THE MEETING. QUESTIONS MAY BE DIRECTED TO (432) 837-3301, OPTION 1.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS TERLINGUA COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT'S STATE FINANCIAL **ACCOUNTABILITY RATING**

Terlingua CSD will hold a public meeting at 6:00PM on Wednesday, October 20, 2021, in the Big Bend High School Meeting Room located at 550 Roadrunner Circle, Terlingua, Texas.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Terlingua CSD's rating on the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST Report), the State's Financial Accountability System.

Public participation in the discussion is invited.

Notice of Public Meeting

The Marathon Independent School District will conduct a public meeting to discuss the District's 2020-2021 Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) Report. The rating is based on data for the 2019-2020 school year. The Public Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, at 6:00 PM, at the MISD High School Library, 109 N 5th, Marathon, TX,

MISD P/N: 10/07/2021

Showing appreciation



At a cookout hosted by Dave Durant and The Stable Performance Cars in Alpine, local law enforcement, Border Patrol, and EMS personnel enjoyed hot dogs and hamburgers with all the trimmings on Oct. 3. In the photo, Alpine Police Department Chief Darrell Losoya, EMS Shea Roberts, and Alpine Police Department officer Wyatt Chopelas and Captain Felipe Fierro enjoyed the fare.

Avalanche photo by Gail Diane Yovanovich

CARS • FROM 1

To the delight of the car owners, Wayne White will set up along the routes to shoot onthe-road photos. The St. Louis, Missouri-based graphic designer and photographer travels the country shooting car events of all kinds, from cruises to races. He has a special fondness for the Big Bend since his father ran the Big Bend Open Road Race for several years, and White is the event's official photographer.

In addition, photographer John Albani of Nashville, Tenn., will do a lot of still shots of Octane-Fest participants around town.

Drivers will check in on Friday, then cruise the area on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. Some

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cruises might include the River Road loop, the road to McDonald Observatory, and the Big Bend Open Road Race route.

A Sunday car show starting at 3 p.m. at The Stable will add to the weekend fun, and give locals a chance to admire the out-of-town rides. And on Sunday night, participants will enjoy a brisket dinner at the The Stable, with a silent auction and a 50-50 raffle. Car show and silent auction winners will be announced during the dinner.

Said Durant, "We had

a lot of great sponsors, which allowed the bulk of the proceeds from registration to go to the Alpine Christian School."

Durant stressed that they used only local vendors for catering, and participants patronized local hotels, restaurants, clubs, and service stations, not only in Alpine but all around the Big Bend.

Said Durant, "I'd like to encourage folks to come out to the car show because you won't have a chance to see cars like this until next year."



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LIBRARY • FROM 1

Just ask library Director Don Wetterauer, who is excited to bring back popular programs after coronavirus concerns shut down many of the usual activities. After a year of offering limited programming, the library fully opened its doors back in the spring of this year, and patrons were again welcomed to use the library resources in person.

This fall, the library will bring exciting new activities that are sure to be a big hit for all ages. For children up to age 10, there is a new month-long reading program, Happy Hallow-Read where kids can win prizes. For teens who want to try out their culinary skills, Nailed It or Failed It is a teen cookoff where they can check out a cookbook, discover a new recipe, then make a video at home of them District. preparing it. Gift certifi-

cates to local restaurants are awarded, so future chefs will want to take advantage of that. Children's librarian Mary Beth Garrett has the sign-up information.

For adults concerned about healthcare issues in the Big Bend, Community Conversation on Rural Health Care will take place on Saturday, Oct. 16, at 1 p.m. at the library.

"We have a lot of people who move here, and they are not here very long, and they leave because they have to get better medical care," said Wetterauer. "We are living in kind of a frontier community as far as healthcare."

Alpine physician Dr. Adrian Billings will be a guest speaker, along with J.D. Newsom, executive director of Big Bend Regional Hospital

there will be a sciencebased learning program for all ages, called Telescopes and Tamales. A tamale dinner for families will be served on the porch, and there will be telescope viewings presented by Sul Ross State University science professor Dr. Anirban Bhattacharjee. Dark Skies Specialist Stephen Hummel from McDonald Observatory will also join in the celestial fun.

Something else at the library is the seniors coffee series held every Friday morning starting at 9:30 a.m. Complimentary coffee is available to all who come in, courtesy of Big Bend Coffee Roasters.

Wetterauer said one of the most popular services at the library is the ability for patrons to check out mobile Wi-Fi hotspots to connect to the internet, along with Finally, in November Chromebooks. He hopes

to get back to regular programming such as after school and science programs, as well as 3D printing. "We are really anxious to get back and have our regular programs at the library," said Wetterauer. "We had planned on doing that when school started, but then things started going up and down and all over the place, and we just didn't want to take a chance on getting people in here."

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The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations: Thomas Greenwood Architect, PLLC 305 South Cockrell Street Alpine, Texas 79830-6403 (432)837-9419

and

Presidio County Health Services, Inc. 1605 North Fort Davis Highway, Suite B Alpine, Texas 79830 (432)837-4812

Electronic copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be obtained by contacting the office of Thomas Greenwood Architect, PLLC located at 305 South Cockrell Street, Alpine, Texas, 79830-6403, (432)837-9419

Dates Advertised: September 30, 2021 and October 7, 2021

PROJECT • FROM 1

Keller has a passion for adobe, and has worked on adobe restoration projects throughout the Big Bend, and apprenticed with experts in the field.

His approach is to protect the structure by fortifying its roof and walls using historically accurate adobe bricks and adobe plaster without the use of modern additives. He created a scientific approach to find the best adobe recipe.

First, he located several sources of clay, sand, and horse manure. Then he enacted a series of tests, mixing different ratios of each ingredient. Once the bricks had cured, he blasted each one with a high-powered spray of water to mimic the effects of erosion. The adobe that held up the best was chosen as the template for this project. He's confident he is using the best source of clay and other materials available.

The preservation project will extend the life of the Alvino House by 30 years. Keller is working with Silla Marfa, a fabrication and design company based in Marfa, to complete the project.

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Notificación pública de no discriminación

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Alpine ISD tomará las medidas necesarias para asegurar que la falta de habilidad en el uso del inglés no sea un obstáculo para la admisión y participación en todos los programas educativos y vocacionales.

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For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator, Caroline Fox at 432-837-7700, cfox@alpineisd.net, and/or the Section 504 Coordinator, Verl O'Bryant at vobryant@alpineisd.net 837-7710.



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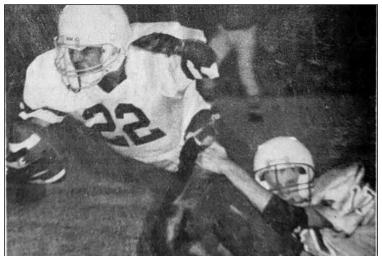
October 1, 1992

Alpine Buck Louis Espinoza breaks a tackle for a touchdown during last week's contest against the Greenwood Rangers of Midland. The Bucks will return home to play Van Horn in their homecoming game at 8 p.m. on Friday.

October 15, 1992

Rotarian Frank Cargo, left, is shown giving last minute instructions to Alpine Elementary student Rob Perry. Members of the local Rotary and Pilot clubs assisted with the bicycle rodeo that emphasizes the use of safety to the elementary

students.







October 1, 1992 JJ Schoenfeldt returns a serve against Wink Lady Wildcats during the Alpine Dual Meet.



The 1992 Ro-Queen, freshman Jodi Johnson, ceived her crown Saturday night during the Sul Ross hosted NIRA rodeo at the RAS arena. Senior Shannon Bray, 1991 Rodeo Queen, performed the



Photos from Alpine Avalanche archives at Archives of the Big Bend, Bryan Wildenthal Memorial Library, Sul Ross State University.

Problems with dianthus planting

Dear Neil: We have had a planting of dianthus in our flowerbed for probably 15 years. They have done really well until this year, but now they are turning yellow and dying out for some unknown reason. We have not made any changes. What might be causing this?

My guess would be one of the water mold funguses that attacks at the soil line. Chief among them are pythium, rhizoctonia and phytophthora. You



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GARDENER'S MAILBAG by neil sperry can often see where the disease has attacked the plants' stems at the ground line, often making them look like they've been pinched with hot tweezers. However, you would need a lab test to confirm these.

There is also the possibili-

ty that the soil has become

compacted and challeng-

ing for good root growth.

When you have perennials

viously, I don't have a firm answer for you, but hopefully those will give you a start.

Dear Neil: I planted a maple last fall. It had pretty red foliage when I planted it, and I thought I watered it enough. It put out new leaves this spring, but by July they were fading. If a tree is starved for water early on, can it ever recover?

I don't know how the tree actually looks. If it has lost all of its leaves from this year, you can hope that it will send out new shoots from its base. If it does, select the strongest straight shoot and train it to be the new trunk. If you don't have any new growth by spring, it's time for another tree.

Dear Neil: How much cold will bougainvilleas ones in my garage?

Bougainvilleas suffer chill injury at temperatures in the 30s, and the plants will be killed by sub-freezing weather. They need bright sunlight over the winter. Garages are usually too dark, and tropical plants that are kept there are really sluggish to recover come spring.

Dear Neil: I have a nature crepe myrtle in my front yard that I have never had problems with. It gets full sun and has been blooming regularly all season. I noticed recently that the upper middle branches look like they're being eaten by something. All the foliage of those branches is gone or has turned brown. I don't know if this is worms or disease. Is there some

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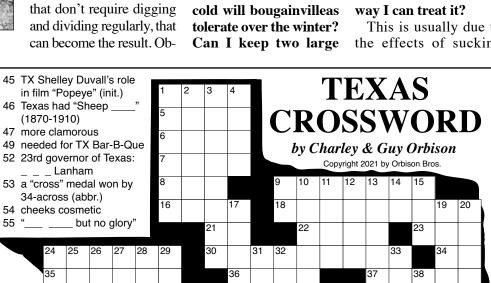
insects such as aphids sounds like what might or scale. They exude a sticky honeydew residue that allows sooty mold to grow on the leaf surfaces. The impacted leaves often fall prematurely, and we've seen a good bit of that across Texas this year. It's not anything of a critical na-

ture. The plant should be

fine come spring. If that

have attacked it this year, consider applying the systemic insecticide Imidacloprid in mid-May next year. Have a question you'd

like Neil to consider? Email him at mailbag@ sperrygardens.com. Neil regrets that he cannot reply to questions individually.



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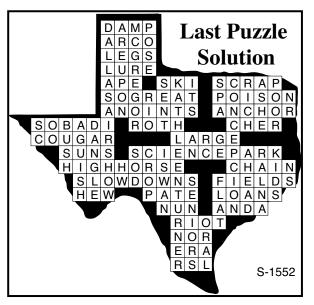
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BARGAINS OF THE **MONTH**



Sports

Fog rolls in for Mountain Ramble

BY CORY CASON Alpine High School Cross Country Head Coach

The fog rolled in just as 150 seventh and eighth grade cross country runners stepped up to the line. The early morning twomile middle school girls' race marked the opening of this year's Big Bend Mountain Ramble hosted by Alpine Cross Country. With near perfect, somewhat dramatic weather and countless spectators, this year's event proved to be a competitive day of racing with 28 teams and around 500 runners descending upon Kokernot Park on Oct. 2 to compete in one of the last regular season meets before the championship season begins.

There were impressive performances in the varsity girls division. Pecos senior Kallie Bullard won

the race, showing why she is one of West Texas' dominant runners, not only in cross country but also track and field. She was followed closely by McCarley Holloman from Midland Christian. The team championship was won by 1A Buena Vista with their top five runners all in the top 20, proving that school size does not predict running performance.

Top finishers for the Lady Bucks included Hope Dominguez and Tannin Ritchie coming in 20th and 25th respectively, running strong in the 100-runner field as they near District competition.

The varsity boys division was one of the most competitive races of the day. With a time of 16:22 for 5K, Midland Classical's Reagan Layh won gold, and was followed closely by Pecos senior Ethan Chavez just five seconds behind.

The team championship was won by Odessa High with four top 20 medalists, followed by Presidio High School. The Bucks were led by freshman Hatfield Cason in fourth place, running his best race of the season, and senior Marco Martinez placing 30th and continuing to get stronger as district approaches.

The middle school races were definitely the most dramatic with 150 girls and 150 boys running through the fog. Colette Price-Fowlkes placed 26th in her first year as a Lady Buck, while teammate Megan Struthers ran in the top third with her 50th place finish. Raul Renteria was the top runner for the middle school boys team.



Runnin' Buck varsity boys take off at Saturday's Big Bend Mountain Ramble in Alpine.

Courtesy photo

Notable JV performances included medalists Alexa Renteria in 10th place, Ferris Daley in 11th, and Landon Velasco in 15th.

A race this big takes a lot of volunteers to pull off successfully. Alpine Cross Country gives a big shout out to the Alpine school staff, coaches, trainers, the National Honor Society, Student Council, cheerlead-

fun! It was a pleasure

watching them play and

ers, and community and parent volunteers who showed up on a Saturday morning to help make the Big Bend Mountain Ramble one of the season's favorite races.

Lady Bucks dominate Yellow Jackets

Saturday saw a packed house at Alpine High School as the Lady Bucks took on the Kermit Yellow Jackets for a District game that would turn out in Alpine's favor.

The Lady Bucks have been shuffled to many different courts this year due to construction at the high school, but this Saturday Alpine was able to go head-to-head with an always fierce rival from Kermit. With capacity max seating and help from the student section and cheerleaders, the Lady Bucks came out swinging.

The starting rotation saw Hope Dominguez, Chloe Cordova, Ali Maroney, Novah Carrasco, Kiara Castillo, and Paula Vargas. During set one,



The Lady Bucks face off against the Kermit last week in a hard-fought battle.

Avalanche photo by J.T. Maroney

fans and parents alike were under the impression that these Ladies were determined to send them back to Kermit in record time. Alpine led all set one with a final score of 25-13. Set two kept the same pace alive with a quick win, the final score was 25-11.

During set three the Lady Bucks trailed Kermit by five points, but with an inspirational message during a time out by head coach Rick Garcia, they fought back and came to win set three and sent Kermit home.

The Lady Bucks are now 3-1 in District play, and will face Presidio Saturday, Oct. 9. Presidio was a challenge for the Bucks earlier in the sea-

The Avalanche spoke fight through certain situwith Garcia after the ations. I see great things game, and he said, "Great matches this past Saturday. The team responded like a true team. They were doing the number one thing a kid should be doing when playing sports - having

happening with this win over Kermit." Vargas turned in 18 assists and three aces,

Carrasco had 10 hits and three blocks, and Maroney finished with eight digs and eight hits.

Bucks fall again

BY GLENN MCCARTHY Sports Correspondent

Alpine at 1-4 proved no match for 4-1 El Paso Riverside, 70-6, in front of a raucous homecoming crowd on Oct. 1. Much to the chagrin of the Alpine parents and Fighting Buck faithful, the Riverside Rangers are not 5A, but District 1-4A Division I.

They are a strong team coached by Gary Recorder, and went to the playoffs last year for their first time since 2011. They were also picked by Dave Campbell's Texas Football magazine to win their district, and make some noise in the playoffs this year.

In all five of the Alpine games before Riverside, the Bucks did a good job of staying close, and as said in basketball, "staying around the rim," ultimately letting games slip away in the second half. That was not the case last Friday night in El Paso at Tom Work Riverfront Stadium. The Rangers jumped on the Bucks from opening kickoff, and at no point let up. The score was 42-0 at halftime, and the Rangers had eight straight touchdowns before Tray Ervin found Shaun Foster for the Bucks' only score late in the fourth quarter.

The porous Alpine defense has allowed three quarterbacks to score five touchdowns this season. But Angel Munoz topped them all with six touchdowns. The junior quarterback, appropriately nicknamed "Speedy," threw for three touchdowns and ran for three more. He

completed 11 passes on 16 attempts for 184 yards, and added another 67 yards on five carries. Fellow junior running back Jose Guardado had 14 rushes for 184 yards and one score. Both Guardado and Munoz had a whopping 13.4 yards per carry average on the night.

A big, experienced Ranger offensive line showed off its dominance by keeping their skilled players clean all night, and eating up giant chunks of yardage mainly on the ground but with some timely play-action passes also.

Two early Buck fumbles only compounded the matter, allowing the Rangers to keep the scoring steady. Even Ylan Hernandez who was on a hot streak running the ball the past two games totaling over 300 yards was not finding the holes with eight rushes for 85 yards.

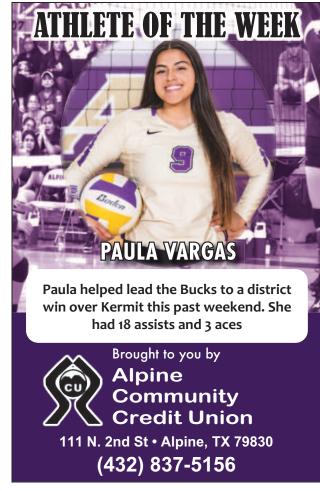
The homecoming crowd was literally on fire, burning a woody Riverside Ranger sign at halftime as the pageantry continued on the field for the anointing of the king and queen of the court. Food trucks and banners only added to the mayhem at the stadium located within two miles of the Rio Grande and the border with Mexico.

Alpine's only highlight was on a Tray Ervin rollout to the right side of the field as he found Foster, who had slipped behind two Ranger defenders for the only Alpine touchdown of the night. The two-point conversion was no good, 63-6. Foster has now caught three touchdown passes in as many

games. The Bucks have their only bye week of the season this weekend in hopes of healing up and getting some much-needed rest, and will turn around and go back to El Paso Oct. 15

to face Tornillo at Coyote

Stadium. Coach John Fellows can hope his quarterback Jayden Canaba, Aiden Morrissey, Jared Roggow, and several other key players can return, and give the Bucks a muchneeded boost heading into District play starting against Tornillo.



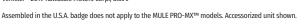


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Sul Ross opens rodeo season with back-to-back weekends

The 2021 college rodeo season got under way at Eastern New Mexico University in Portales, boasting the largest number of contestants and breaking Sul Ross State University's record set in 2020.

Senior and 2018 Junior National Finals Rodeo World Champion Saddle Bronc Rider Brandon Lansford claimed the top spot in what he does best. Turning in a 157.0-point total, he topped Tarleton State's Jake Vance and West Texas College's Damian Brennan. Lansford was able to put it away with an impressive 80-point ride.

He had great confidence going into the short round even though he wasn't very familiar with the horse. After all said and done, the horse offered up a great opportunity for him to dig in deep, and win the saddle bronc title.

Other placings included Zachary Hamar, who posted third in steer wrestling with a 9.1 second total. In the goat tying, Timmi Hutchings came in eighth with a total of 21.7 seconds.

Then it was straight back to Alpine to prepare facilities, and get some practice time that the rodeo hosted last weekend.

With bragging rights on the line, Coach C.J. Aragon said, "Last week's rodeo at Eastern New Mexico University broke our record from 2020. This week's rodeo in Alpine will break that record, and again give us the distinction of hosting the largest collegiate rodeo in history."

Come Thursday, it was easy to say this was about to be the largest collegiate rodeo. It was easier to see it. There was hardly an open space left as trailer after trailer poured in outside of SALE arena. A total of 17 schools and their supporters showed up, and competitors in much of the slack numbered in the triple digits.

Despite the sheer number of competitors, Sul Ross came away with some huge wins. Tristen Hutchings earned the Men's All Around with a total score of 240.0 thanks in large part to winning bull riding with a 166.0 total. Hutchings also placed sixth in steer wrestling which included a smoking 3.8 second run.

Lansford is two for two so far this season as he followed up his showing at ENMU with

a 164.0 total in saddle bronc to claim the title here in Alpine.

On the women's side, Kathi Norell finished sixth in breakaway roping with a 14.5 combined score. In goat tying, Timmi Hutchings and Hadley Kibbe came in fourth and seventh, respectively. The women's team finished eighth at their hometown rodeo.

The Sul Ross men's team finished third, moving them up to third in the overall standings for the Southwest Conference with a 570-point total. They are currently chasing Tarleton State for second place with 605 points.

It's off to Vernon College this weekend for the Lobos as they look to build on the early success they've earned in the young season.

Lobos fall to Yellow Jackets

Sul Ross State University football amassed 326 yards of offense and 20 first downs, but ultimately fell 73-30 on the road last weekend to the Howard Payne Yellow Jackets. "It was a tough day at the office," said head coach John Pearce. "Howard Payne has some really good players. I loved how they worked on their passing game up by 30 late in the game. We played a lot of first and second year players. That experience will pay off down the road for the Lobos!" Howard Payne took the opening drive down deep into Sul Ross territory before the Lobos forced the Yellow Jackets to kick a 22-yard field goal for a 3-0 score. The Lobos punted on their first drive, but quickly got the ball back with an Alec Garcia interception at the Sul Ross 35-yard line. Tyler DeShields led the squad on a nine-play, 40-yard drive to setup Jaden Brown's successful 42-yard field goal for a 3-3 tie with 6:54 left in the first quarter. The Yellow Jackets offense went on to score the next 21 points with three touchdown passes from Landon McKinney for a 24-3 lead with 11:21 remaining in the second quarter. Sul Ross had an answer with an 11-play, 65-yard drive. Kendrick Jefferson rushed for 29 yards on four carries before DeShields later found Vicente Luevano on an eight-yard touchdown pass for a 24-10 score with 6:44 left in the first half. Howard Payne responded with 21 unanswered to take a 45-10 lead to halftime. Devon Mendoza capped Sul Ross' second drive of the third with an eight-yard touch-

down reception from DeShields for a 45-17 score with 8:32 left in the quarter. The Yellow Jackets again scored the next three touchdowns for a 66-17 score early in the fourth quarter. Jordan Curtis replaced DeShields in the fourth quarter, and found Buddy Santos on a 25-yard strike to make it 66-24 with 4:37 remaining. It was the first touchdown in each of their Sul Ross careers. HPU found the end zone one last time on the ensuing drive before Terran Limuel returned the kickoff 85 yards to the house with 36 seconds left for a 73-30 score that also went final. DeShields followed up his heroics against Texas Lutheran with a 26-of-38 showing for 213 yards, two touchdowns and no interceptions. Jefferson led the Lobos on the ground with 68 yards on 13 attempts and a long of 15. Luevano led the game in both receptions and yards with 13 for 118. The Lobo defense finished with four sacks on the day. Eduardo Garcia, Chaz Patterson, and Dalton Bills each had one. Jade Rios and Lorenzo Fowler both totaled a half sack. Rios led the game with nine total tackles. Eduardo Garcia was right behind him with eight. As a team, the Lobos had nine tackles for loss totaling 36 yards. The Lobos are 1-3 on the season and 1-3 Southwest Conference play. Howard Payne moves to 5-0 and 4-0. Sul Ross next plays host to North American University for homecoming on Saturday, Oct. 9. Kickoff is scheduled for 4 p.m. at Jackson Field.

Lamb and goat validation coming up

It is time once again to validate animals for the stock shows. Sunday, Oct. 17 will be validation for lambs and goats only for all shows.

All animals, kids, and at least one parent or guardian must come to the ag barn for validation. Social security numbers are not required for validation.

If you are planning to exhibit at the Big Bend Livestock Show, you will only need a county tag. There is no cost for these tags.

There is a one time per year administrative fee of \$5 per child payable to BBLSA.

There will also be BBLSA membership form available on this day. The fee is \$5 per person, \$10 per family, or \$20 per business. BBLSA membership is for adults, not the youngsters.

BBLSA is the county livestock association that puts on the livestock show. The fees collected are used to buy awards for the kids,

and offset the expenses of the stock show. The rules state that parents/guardians must be a member of the association for their child/children to exhibit their projects. Parental involvement is necessary for the youngsters to continue to be successful at the county show. These fees are payable to BBLSA, and can be given to an officer of the association at validation.

Goats will validate from 1-2:30 p.m., and lambs from 2:30-3:30 p.m.

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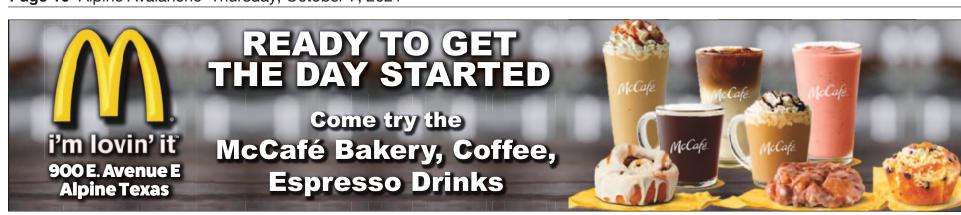


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When the appetizer becomes the meal

When we think of appetizers, there are hundreds if not thousands of options to choose from. But how many of them can say they can become a meal unto themselves? Probably most, if we're honest, but the best in my humble opinion is the sausage cheese ball.

I have been enjoying sausage cheese balls for years. They have become a staple around my family home for decades. They are kind of like my family's "crack." Everyone hovers around the kitchen in anticipation for them to come out of the oven. They are so popular with my family in fact that



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by kara gerbert

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SADDLE PACK COMBINATION:

(Your choice of any two items) Cup of Daily Soup • 1/2 Reata Club or Steak Sandwich 1/2 BLT Sandwich with Peppered Bacon

my mom makes a bag full of them for my brother and I to take back to our respective homes when we visit. Which of course means that they have become a holiday tradition. I wish every week was a holiday tradition where these gems are concerned.

Sausage cheese balls are one of the easiest appetizers you can make. In fact, not only do they consist of a measly three ingredients, but you can enjoy them in about half an hour from prep time to fresh out of the oven. The recipe is very straightforward.

Voilà, you have a mouthwatering appetizer for any occasion, or complete meal if desired. These tasty morsels make a fantastic breakfast or afternoon snack. But hey, don't take my word for it, try it out for yourself.

Questions, comments, or suggestions? Contact Kara at foodie9372 @gmail.com.



Recipe

One pound of sausage (I prefer to use Owens hot.)

One pound of shredded cheddar cheese

3 cups of Bisquick.

Directions:

I tweak my recipe a bit with a little less baking mix, and use 2-3/4 cups instead of the three it calls for. This makes them a little less dry, which I personally prefer. Some people even add in a little garlic powder for an added kick.

Begin by preheating the oven to 400 degrees. As the oven is heating, in a large bowl, mix the sausage and cheese together first, making sure to incorporate the ingredients thoroughly. Slowly add the baking mix, mixing it thoroughly until all of it has been absorbed.

On a parchment paper lined cookie sheet, place walnutsized, rounded balls of the mixture on the cookie sheet. Bake for 12-15 minutes or until golden brown. Remove from oven and let cool.





Saturday, October 9th

Dinner 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

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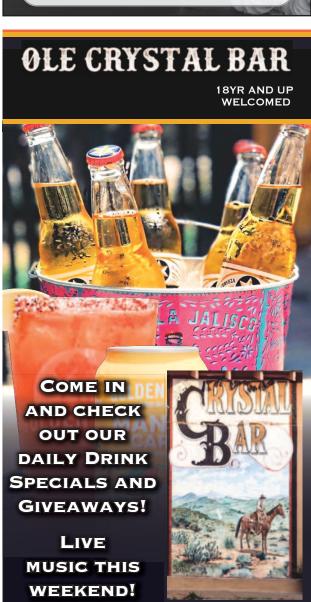
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A new partnership between Sul Ross State University, the University of Texas-El Paso, and Preventative Care Health Services with locations in Alpine, Marfa and Presidio, will develop a behavioral health specialists workforce to improve access to mental health services in five southwest Texas rural counties.

With support from a \$1.9 mil-

lion grant awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Health Services Resources Administration to PCHS, also known as Presidio County Health Services, Sul Ross and UTEP will train students to provide culturally competent mental health care to residents of Brewster, Presidio, Culberson, Hudspeth and Jeff Davis coun-



Sul Ross State University, University of Texas-El Paso, and Preventative Care Health Services will launch a new workforce education and training program for behavioral health specialists in five southwest Texas rural counties. In the photo, Barbara Tucker of Sul Ross, Adrian N. Billings of Preventative Care Health Services, and Thenral Mangadu, Emre Umucu, and Chu-Ling Lo, all of UT-EP.

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Alpine receives travel awards

Visit Alpine, Texas brought home four awards in the inaugural Texas Travel Awards. Launched by the publishers of Austin Monthly, San Antonio Magazine, and Texas Music, the awards set out to celebrate the top travel destinations and attractions across the Lone Star State in a year when the travel industry is working hard to bounce back after significant impacts from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Despite travel coming to a halt in spring 2020, convention and visitors' bureaus and tourism-related businesses found innovative ways to continue engaging with the community last year, and welcomed travelers back as Texans once again began to explore and enjoy. The Awards recognized that

creativity, along with tried and true favorites from every region, with its first class of winners in 42 categories, divided into statewide competition and by population.

Alpine made four entries into the Small Market categories, and came away with all four awards - Museum of the Big Bend won Best Museum /Cultural Institution, Alpine's downtown murals won Best Public Art Display, Viva Big Bend won Best Music Festival, and Visit Alpine, Texas won Best Destination Social Media Account for their Facebook and Instagram feeds.

"It's been a great year for travel awards in the Big Bend, and it's wonderful to see our communities' efforts being recognized" said Chris Ruggia, Al-



Alpine's downtown murals received one of the four Texas Travel Awards won by Visit Alpine in September.

pine's Director of Tourism. "It's no surprise to the folks living here that we have a first-class museum, that Viva Big Bend is an incredible live music experience, and that all the new mural activity downtown is something special. I was also thrilled to see Fort Davis winning the Best Fourth of July Celebration."

All winners were an-

nounced in a virtual awards ceremony held in September, and available to view on texastravelawards.com. The winners will also be announced in the November issues of Austin Monthly and San Antonio Magazine, and featured in a special digital publication, launching Nov. 1 on texastravelawards.com.

Former Mexican soldier sentenced for transporting illegal aliens

was sentenced last week to 115 months in federal prison for illegally re-entering the U.S., and to 60 months for transporting illegal

aliens in the U.S. According to court documents, Juan Luis Mendoza-Iturralde, 39, a former Mexican soldier, pleaded guilty to one count of transporting illegal aliens and one count of illegal reentry into the U.S.

On March 30 a Presidio County Sheriff's Office deputy stopped Mendoza's vehicle for a traffic violation. Inside the vehicle were 13 non-citizens.

A Mexican national Mendoza admitted he agreed to drive the group into the U.S. in exchange for \$500 once he arrived at the group's destination.

> U.S. Attorney Ashley C. Hoff of the Western District of Texas and Homeland Security Investigations Special Agent in Charge Erik P. Breitzke, El Paso Division, made the announcement.

> HSI investigated the case with assistance from the Presidio County Sheriff's Office. Assistant U.S. Attorney Lance Kennedy prosecuted the case.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT **Lourdes Acosta**

What are you especially looking forward to in your senior year?

Prom and Graduation What activities are you involved in during your se-

nior year? I participate in cheer, play clarinet with the band, student advisory council, National Honor Society, and I do graphic design.

Who has been your most influential teacher or coach

through high school? Mrs. Fellows is probably the most influential coach for me throughout high school so far.

What was your favorite moment the last four years?



Lourdes Acosta

Being a part of the high school school groundbreaking with the school board was fun and I also love the late night football games.

What are your plans after high school?

Attending college and hopefully make it into medical school.

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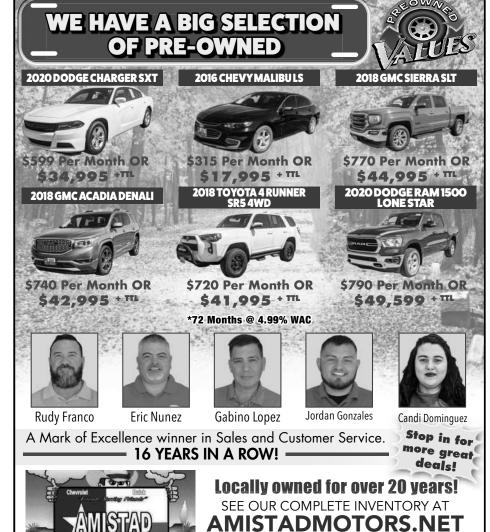


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Council holds annual meeting

Grande Council of Governments held its annual meeting where its general membership approved the organization's Annual Work Program and Budget of \$8.88 million. The general membership also approved an installation of officers and directors.

The Honorable Peter Svarzbein, Representative, Dist. 1, City of El Paso, is the new president for fiscal year 2022. Svarzbein, the 54th Council president, began his one-year term on Oct. 1, and will run until Sept. 30, 2022. Svarzbein will oversee all board meetings, chair various committees, and set forth any policies deemed necessary by the board.

The Honorable Summer Webb, mayor of Valentine, will serve as the first vice-president.

On Sept. 24 the Rio The Honorable Henry Rivera, Representative, Dist. 2, City of El Paso, will be the new second vice-president. Both individuals are tasked with the responsibility to step in for the president if he is unable to, and both will serve on the finance committee.

Representing small communities within El Paso County will be Alderman David Cantu from San Elizario. Webb will represent small communities outside El Paso County, and Rosalinda Vigil, president of the Lower Valley Water District. For these director positions, they will be charged with representing the interests of the communities they serve.

At the meeting the council also awarded several agencies for organization of the year. The Texas Department of State Health Services, Region 9/10, was awarded for its regional vaccination efforts, and Emergency Services Dist. 2 was awarded for its vacation efforts in getting over 45,000 El Pasoans vaccinated in rural areas.

Presidio County Judge Cinderela Guevara was recognized as Local Elected Official of the Year for being a leader in vaccination coordination efforts among the rural areas of the council.

Incoming President Peter Svarbein, said, "I look forward to working with all the unique communities within our region. Seeing the long list of former RCOG presidents inspires me to further the great history and future for our residents. I look forward to bringing attention and resources to our beautiful borderland communities."



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BY SUSAN CELAYA

As I begin writing, my family is marking the eighth anniversary of my father's passing, and I've been thinking a lot about him recently. Daddy was a healthy man in his 50s when he was stricken with a rare nerve disease. Within hours his limbs began weakening, his speech became slurred, and very quickly he was completely paralyzed. For months he was only able to move his eyelids, and on a respirator to keep him

Gradually he began to improve, and over a year later the doctors were able to disconnect the ventilator. His first words when he was able to speak again were, "I'm very grateful.'

It is remarkable that after enduring such an ordeal, his first words were an expression of thankfulness for the doctors and nurses who cared for him so diligently.

In Philippians 1:3 Paul writes, "I thank God in every remembrance of you."

All of us have many people in our lives who encourage us, care for us and help us in ways big and small. Even those who are "just doing their jobs" make our lives easier. Take time to thank those around you for

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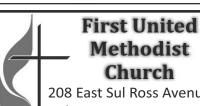
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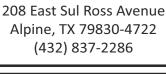


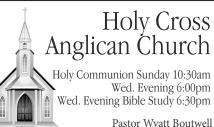
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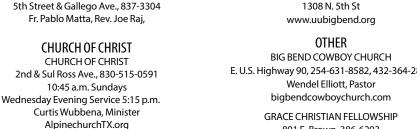
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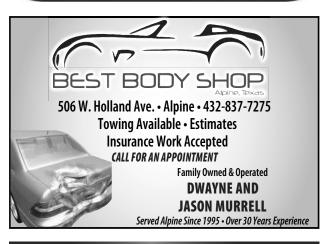


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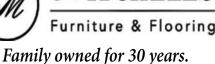
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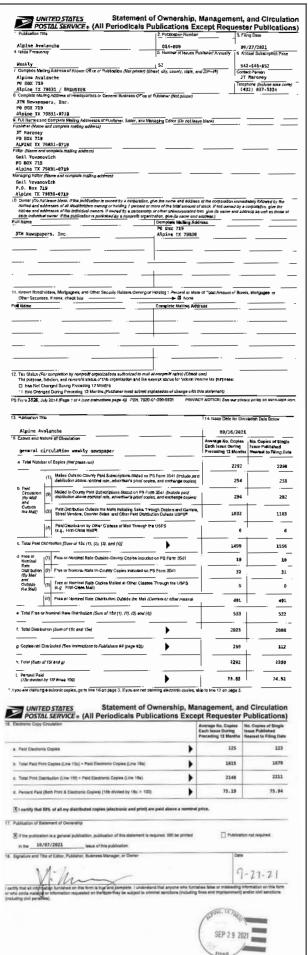
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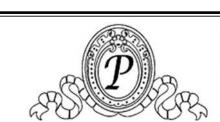
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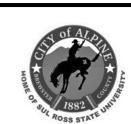




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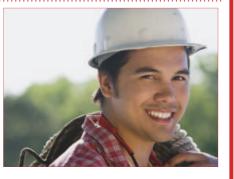
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14. LSU

18. Pats

20. Bills

15. San Diego St

Klondike

Westlake

Permian

Midland

Tascosa

Ole Miss

PORTER'S

Fort Davis

Fort Stockton

West Lake

Amarillo

Georgia

9. Arkansas

BIG BEND REGIONAL

Klondike

3. Fort Stockton

West lake

Permian

Midland

Tascosa

Georgia

Arkansas

Alpine Auto Rental

and Uhaul

1. Klondike

Plains

5. Permian

Tascosa

9. Ole Miss

10. Texas

3. Ft. Stockton

Westlake

Midland

Georgia

10. Texas

11. Penn st

Plains

10. OU

Plains

5. Permian

6. Angelo

8. Georgia

10. Texas

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RECORD

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Fort Stockton

Plains

INSTRUCTIONS

Fill out the form completely, make your picks and turn into the Avalanche office every Tuesday by noon. Entries must be on newspaper only.

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NEXT WEEK'S PICKS

High School: 1. Alpine vs. Tornillo • 2. Seagraves vs. Iraan• 3. Jim Ned vs. Wall **4.** Kentucy vs. Georgia • 5. UCF vs. Cinn. • 6. TCU vs. OU 7. OSU vs. Texas • 8. Auburn vs. Arkansas • 9. Florida vs. LSU

> 10. Tech vs. Kansas • 11. Vandy vs. S. Carolina• **12.** Cheifs vs. WFT **13.** Chargers vs. Ravens **14.** Raiders vs. Broncos • **15.** Cowboys vs. Pats. **16.** GB vs. Bears •17. Texans vs. Colts•





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NFL:

Plains 13. Tech Fort Stockton 14. Kentucky Bowie Angelo Tascosa Georgia Arkansas

15. San Diego St. 16. Bengals 17. Titans 18. Pats 19. Chargers 20. Chiefs 10. OU 11. Penn St. 21. Cowbovs



Iraan Fort Stockton West Lake Permian Angelo Central Amarillo Auburn Arkansas

13. TCU 14. LSU 15. San Diego St. 16. Packer

17. Jags 18. Pats. 19. Chargers 20. Cheifs 10. Texas



12 Michigan Plains 13. TCU Fort Stockton 14. LSU West Lake 15. NM Permian 16. Packers Angelo 17. Titans Amarillo 18 PATS Georgia 19. Chargers Ole Miss 20. Chiefs

50-28 11. Penn St



13. TCU El Dorado 14. Kentucky West Lake 15. NM Permian 16. Packers Midland HS 17. Titans Tascosa 18. Texans Georgia **RECORD** 19. Browns Arkansas 10. OU 46-32

SMASH MOUTH FOOTBALL

Klondike Plains Texas Tech Fort Stockton 14. Kentucky Westlake 15. San Diego St. Permian 16. Packers Midland 17. Titans Tascosa 18. Patriots Georgia **RECORD** 19. Chargers 9. Ole Miss 20. Chiefs 10. Texas 21. Cowboys

1. Fort Davis 12. Michigan

RECORD

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2. Plains 13. Tech 3. Fort Stockton 14. LSU 4. West Lake 5. Permian 6. Angelo Central 17. Titans 7. Amarillo 18. Pats. 8. Georgia **RECORD** 9. Arkansas 20. Cheifs 10. OU **50-28** 21. Cowboys

THIS WEEK'S PICKS

High School: 1.Fort Davis vs. Klondike • **2.** Iraan vs. Plains • **3.** Fort Stockton vs. El Dorado

4. West Lake vs. Bowie • 5. Permian vs. Odessa • 6. Midland HS vs. Angelo Central **College:**

14. LSU vs. Kentucky • 15. NM vs. San Diego St. NFL:

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15. San Diego St. 16. Bengals 19. Chargers

7. Amarillo vs. Tascosa • 8. Georgia vs. Auburn • 9. Arkansas vs. Ole Miss 10. OU vs. Texas • 11. Penn St. vs. Iowa • 12. Michigan vs. Nebraska • 13. TCU vs. Tech

16. Packer vs. Bengals •17. Titans vs. Jags • 18. Pats. vs. Texans 19. Browns vs. Chargers • 20. Bills vs. Cheifs • 21. Giants vs. Cowboys