

City discusses water use restrictions

BY ROXANNE HILL
Staff Writer

The City of Alpine held its regularly scheduled council meeting on June 21, and watering restrictions and ongoing utility bill issues were some of the main items discussed.

Water usage due to drought conditions was a main cause of concern for City Manager Megan Antrim, indicating that capacity was at 90%, and two water wells were not functioning due to pump and equipment issues, thus reducing the amount of water being pulled from the wells to meet demand. Antrim said voluntary water restrictions would be implemented effective June 23, and asked the public to reduce their water use.

“We are asking Sul Ross to cut back. I’ve contacted Alpine ISD, the hospital, all the major sources,” said Antrim. “We have the water sources, but the demand is just too high for us,

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New principals on track for AISD

BY ROXANNE HILL
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Alpine ISD Board of Trustees held a special meeting on June 20 that included the selection of Jarrett Vickers as the new high school principal and Curtis Wubbena as the new elementary school principal.

They will be joining current Alpine Middle School principal Judith-Pardo Alferez.

Trustees met in closed

session to deliberate and consider the recommendations from Alpine ISD Superintendent Dr. Michelle Rinehart’s choices. When the trustees reconvened in open session, Rinehart recommended that Vickers and Wubbena be offered two-year contracts as high school and elementary school principal, respectively.

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Curtis Wubbena and Jarrett Vickers at the Alpine ISD Administration Building Board Room.

Avalanche photo by Roxanne Hill

Batter up for a bake sale



Alpine’s Xtreme All-Star 12U softball team members were pumped up and ready to hit a homer with super sweet deals at their bake sale fundraiser on June 18 outside of Morrison True Value in Alpine. The team is raising funds to cover travel costs to attend an All-Star girls softball tournament in Lubbock. Here, Xtreme All-Star players Alyna Gutierrez, Kayleigh Parsons, Reyna Martinez, Bella Navarrete, Rose DeGuia, Ryen Navarrete, Aaliyah Garcia, and Ailea Fierro pause for a photo, welcoming customers looking for treats sold for a good cause.

Avalanche photo by Roxanne Hill

Sul Ross brings Hispanic heritage to life

BY ROXANNE HILL
Staff Writer

The Big Bend consists of a thriving arts community where dedicated artists share their talents. And now an inspirational mural makes a vivid presence at the Sul Ross State University campus where civic leaders welcomed those who made valuable contributions to the university and to the region.

Sul Ross’s “Living the Dream - Cultural Pride on Campus” celebrates the achievements of Hispanic Texans who achieved their dreams in a variety of disciplines, whether in education, military, or artistic fields. Jeanne Qvarnstrom, assistant vice president of Institutional Effectiveness at Sul Ross, said last year the university received a \$25,000 grant from Union Pacific to complete the mural, which sits adjacent to the Gallego Center. Sul



Robert and Elidia Polanco of Alpine stand outside the murals on the Sul Ross campus.

Avalanche photo by Roxanne Hill

Ross art professor Carol Fairlie oversaw and designed the artwork, along with the Sul Ross Art Club who painted the mural’s background. They joined Alpine artists Jan Moeller, Sharon Haney, Monica Saenz, and others.

Some of the locals featured in the mural include former Sul Ross

President and Alpine native Pete Gallego, joining Robert and Elidia Polanco, long-time Alpine ISD educators and Sul Ross alumni. Nature also plays a part with flora and fauna of the area such as agave and prickly pear, the Southern Pacific Railroad, the Chinati Mountains, and more.

In the spring this year, Qvarnstrom personally invited the Polancos to the mural dedication held on May 5. The Polancos are actively involved with the community, and are avid supporters of both Alpine ISD and Sul Ross athletics. They also participate in various civic and religious community ser-

vice capacities as active members of Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church.

Elidia, an Alpine native, graduated from Alpine High School in 1965, and Robert, a Marfa native, is a U.S. Army veteran who earned the Bronze Star for meritorious achievement after

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OBITUARIES

Ruth Marie Hess Goss



Ruth Marie Hess Goss went home to be with her Lord and Savior on June 3, 2022. She was born on March 1, 1934, to Leonard Mark Hess and Mary Antoinette Rodesney.

She grew up at the family home in Marathon, Texas, which subsequently became the Captain Shepherd Inn. Her great love of the Hess Ranch north of town established by her grandfather, Louis Lambert Hess, in 1899 was evidenced by her untiring dedication and participation in the family's Highland Hereford Cattle operation until it was liquidated in 1976.

Ruth attended high school at Incarnate Word in San Antonio, Texas, where she formed many dear and life-long friendships. She continued her education at Fontbonne University, in Clayton, Mo., until she married Alexander George Krueger, Jr., on May 11, 1953, embarking enthusiastically in her new role as a loving wife and mother to

their three children. Ruth had many passions and interests. She enjoyed reading and creating paintings using various mediums, and she displayed her artwork at the River Arts Festivals. She also had an immense love of cooking, teaching gourmet cooking classes at Scrivners in San Antonio, in addition to preparing delicious meals for family and friends. Later in life, Ruth married her second husband, Gerald Goss. They resided in Germantown, Tenn., where she shared in caring for his daughter and working at Holiday Inn Corp. They eventually relocated to Boerne,

Texas, where she continued to lead an active and joyful life. Upon becoming a grandmother, she was christened "Nana," and was devoted to spending time with her children and grandchildren. She delighted in sewing for them, quilting beautiful blankets and attending bible studies. Ruth's family and friends will forever remember her compassionate love, infectious laughter, warm hugs, and generous spirit. She was a constant inspiration, and you could not be in her presence without feeling loved. Though she will be dearly missed, we know her loving arms will be

opened wide to joyfully greet us when we one day join her in heaven. Ruth was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, and her brother, Mark. She is survived by her siblings Claire J. Smith, John (Jean) Hess, Margaret (Larry) Rourke, and Paul (Katherine) Hess; many nieces and nephews; children Alex G. Krueger III, Chris J. Krueger, Karen K. Caraway; stepdaughter Heather G. James; grandchildren Alex G. Krueger IV (Jenny), Kate Marie Moore (Jordan), Wesley and Brady Krueger, McKenna E. Waysman (Brodie), Kevin L. Caraway (Cassidy),

and Amelia Rose James; great grandchildren Alex G. Krueger V and Campbell June Krueger, Amelia Kay, Adeline Ruth, Luke Moore, and Aliela Rae Caraway. A memorial service will be held June 25, 2022, at 11 a.m. at First United Methodist Church in Boerne. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Christus Santa Rosa Children's Hospital, 333 North Santa Rosa Street, San Antonio, TX 78207.

To leave condolences for the family, visit ebensberger-fisher.com.

Arrangements with Ebensberger-Fisher Funeral Home of Boerne.

Catherine "Cathy" Louise Rainer



Catherine "Cathy" Louise Rainer left this world on June 18, 2022, to be with our Lord surrounded by her loved ones. Cathy was born on July 21, 1944, to John Larkin and Jennel Scott in El Paso, Texas.

She graduated from Ysleta High School in 1962. She married Robert Rainer of El Paso. Four children were born to the couple, Melody Rainer of Capitan, N.M., Texas Rainer Temple (James D. Temple) of Alpine, Texas, RaeLee Rainer Hopkins (Henry

Hopkins) of Caballo, N.M., and Robert D. Rainer, Jr. (Kdee Rainer) of Livingston, Texas.

She earned her Bachelor of Arts degree from Sul Ross State University in April 2011. Cathy owned and managed several large trucking companies throughout her prime, and eventually retired to Alpine. All who knew her knew she was

a force to be reckoned with. She loved with all she had, and would do everything she could to help someone. She lived life large, loved her family, and never met a stranger.

She was preceded in death by her parents, sisters, and husband Robert. She is survived by two brothers, four children, 16 grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews whom she loved so much.

Her passions included her family, painting, gardening, and listening/dancing to music. She was a pillar in her own

world, and remained her beautiful self until the moment she left this world.

A celebration of life will be held in her honor in Alpine at American Legion Post 79 on Aug. 4, 2022, at 6 p.m. There will also be a casting ceremony and reception in Truth or Consequences, N.M., on Aug. 6, 2022, at 3 p.m.

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Benjamin Macias III



Benjamin Macias III of San Jose, Calif., passed away April 6, 2022. Services for Ben will be held on Saturday, July 2, 2022, at Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church in Alpine, Texas. Rosary will be at 9:30 a.m., followed by the mass.

Ben was born Dec. 8, 1951, in Alpine to Ofelia and Benjamin. Ben graduated from Alpine High School. After grad-

uation he joined the U.S. Air Force. He retired from IBM. He was also a coach and president of EYAC youth football and baseball in San Jose.

Ben was preceded in

death by his parents, Ofelia and Benjamin, and brother George Macias.

He is survived by brothers Orlando (Irma) of San Jose, Michael Macias, Sr., of Alpine; sister Norma Cruz (the late Charlie) of Hobbs, N.M.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Serving as pallbearers will be Frank Villanueva, Willie Longoria, Joe Macias, and Luis Acosta.

John Charles Conners



John Charles Conners was born on Oct. 22, 1933, in Rio Grande City, Texas, and passed away on June 18, 2022.

John was a loving husband to Maria Flora Conners for 64 years, and they share three children, Mary Francis Gonzales, John Kennedy Conners, and Charles Lee Conners. By his children he lives on through seven grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

John moved to Marfa, Texas, with his parents and family at a young age where he attended the Blackwell School.

John was preceded in death by his father John Francis Conners;

mother Francis P. Milan Conners; four brothers, Mike, Ernest, Eddie, and James; and his sister Francis "Sissy" Garcia.

John is survived by his brother Lawrence "Larry" Conners; sister Dorothy Conners; and various nieces and nephews.

After school, John enlisted in the U.S. Army where he served in Okinawa, Japan.

The funeral services

will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church followed by burial at the Merced Cemetery at 9 a.m. on Saturday, June 25, 2022.

Pallbearers will be Christopher Conners, Adam Gonzales, Brady Salmon, Camden Lujan, Jerram Rojo, and Samuel Ramirez. Honorary Pallbearers will be Donny and Jesse Garcia.

In lieu of flowers, make donations to Saint Mary's Catholic Church.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at mmoftexas.com.

Arrangements entrusted to Mobile Mortician of Texas in Fort Davis, Texas.

Brazos Quinton Davis



Brazos Quinton Davis of Iraan, Texas, passed away peacefully on June 3, 2022, in Reno, Nev., after a hard-fought battle with cancer.

Brazos was born Jan. 25, 1966, to Buck and Corene Davis in Eastland, Texas. He was raised on a ranch at Chispa, between Valen-

tine and Van Horn. He worked on and raised his family on ranches in

West Texas.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and is survived by his wife, Hope Davis; his son Hondo and wife Harleigh, and son Concho; and a granddaughter Hillye Ruth.

Services will be at 11 a.m. on July 2, 2022, at the Wilson Ranch Headquarters.

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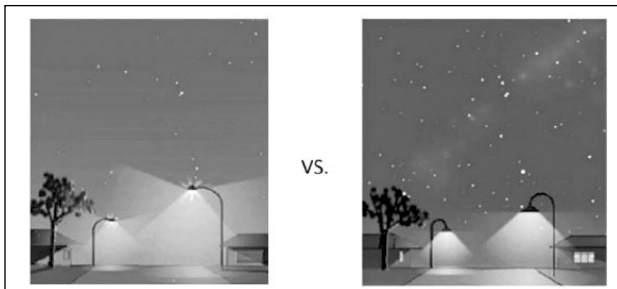
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Making night skies darker over Alpine

BY SHAWNA GRAVES
Contributing Writer



Check the City of Alpine website for details about the light exchange program. This image shows lighting before and after compliance with the new city ordinance (from City of Alpine website).

Alpine's night sky team wants the city to lead the way in night sky friendly practices. The team has been meeting regularly since Alpine gained status as part of the Greater Big Bend Dark Sky Reserve.

Dark sky reserve status was given to over nine million acres in the Tri-County, plus a small section of Reeves County and parts of northern Mexico, making this the largest international dark sky reserve on the planet. The designation recognizes broad community, political, and business support for preserving dark night skies. Certification is administered through the International Dark Sky Association, an organization making global efforts to combat light pollution.

Fewer people have ac-

cess to dark night skies in cities and industrial areas as light pollution makes viewing the Milky Way and other constellations impossible from most of those areas. The region within the reserve is leading the way in showing that municipalities can be a part of the solution. All municipalities and counties within the reserve updated their lighting ordinances to reflect modern night sky friendly practices.

The city is allowing

five years to reach compliance at the residential, business, and government levels. This means that outdated lights must be updated within five years. The night sky team is hoping to make that a reality sooner.

The team distributed over 80 forms to residences with AEP light poles located on private property. Light poles were placed on residential properties at a time when municipal lighting was less consistent. It was a

way to offer residents more outdoor lighting options. AEP installed the poles, but each resident was responsible for paying the light bill for the light and maintaining it.

Most of these lights are outdated, and are the source of light trespass and glare. Newer lights are available that are more efficient and compliant with the city lighting ordinance. There is currently a program available to help residents switch out these lights at no cost to the resident.

The program is available thanks to a fundraising effort led by Big Bend Conservation Alliance that brought in over \$53,000 to support dark skies.

Alpine residents with AEP light poles are eligible to have new lights and a light shield installed. Light shields cover the top of the light to keep light from escaping to

the heavens above. Light shields are required on all these lights in the new city ordinance. As these updates are made, less glare will escape overhead, helping Alpine to attain more pristine night sky visibility.

Once the new fixtures are installed, residents will receive a \$50 gift card to Porter's as a thank you for helping to lead the way with these changes. AEP has offered to re-

move the light pole for residents who want that option instead. The form can be found on the city website at cityofalpine.com/news_detail_T10_R246.php.

So far, only around 20 residents have responded to the team's outreach, but there are still many eligible lights. To take advantage of the free lighting program, email LauraGold@NightSky-Resources.com.

New officers for Alpine Lions Club

On June 17 at Spice-wood in Alpine, the Lions Club 2022 officers were installed. In the photo, Mac Tucker, Nick Simmons, Andrea Tucker, Mark Long, District Governor Ralph McCain, Sue Simmons, and John Sutterfield.



Courtesy photo

Upward Bound grant renewed

The U.S. Department of Education has renewed the Upward Bound grant administered by Sul Ross State University for another five years.

The outreach program for first generation, low income, high academic risk student populations has been operating at the university since 1999, said Director Barbara Vega. While the grant is awarded nationwide, Sul Ross is authorized to serve 70 students from

Terlingua, Van Horn, and Sierra Blanca.

The university will receive \$348,975 per year for the next five years to help motivate high school students who want to pursue higher education. There is no cost for those who participate in academic tutoring, peer-mentoring, counseling, assistance with obtaining financial aid, on-campus summer programs, field trips, cultural enrichment opportunities, and test preparation.

The earlier in high school students begin to participate, the better the outcome, said Vega.

Students receive instruction in literature, composition, mathematics, foreign language, and science. Services are provided by program tutors at respective high schools weekly during the school year. Similar services are provided at Sul Ross one Saturday per month and during the summer term, when students are invited to live

in residence halls for five weeks.

Upward Bound is part of the Federal TRIO Programs designed to identify and provide educational opportunities for individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds. TRIO was established by the U.S. Congress in 1965 to help low-income Americans enter post-secondary education and graduate from college.

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Carmen Dominguez is a very active member of the Matachines "Danza Guadalupe" at Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church and active member of the Alpine Multicultural Festival Committee. Her name was omitted on the list of members on the letter to the editors last week.

Marfa man found guilty of meth possession

A federal jury in Pecos convicted a Marfa man last week for possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine.

According to court documents and evidence presented at trial, Stephen Dudley Brunson, 63, was stopped for a traffic violation. Brunson was subsequently arrested for Class C offenses involving the license plate and temporary

permit displayed on the vehicle he was driving. When Brunson was searched incident to arrest, several knives and brass knuckles were found on his person, as well as over 27 grams of methamphetamine.

A sentencing date has not been scheduled yet. Brunson faces up to 20 years in prison. He has remained in federal custody since his arrest on Feb. 18.

U.S. Attorney Ashley C. Hoff of the Western District of Texas and Drug Enforcement Administration Special Agent in Charge Greg Millard, El Paso Office, made the announcement.

The DEA and the Texas Department of Public Safety are investigating the case. Assistant U.S. Attorney Amy L. Greenbaum and Sarah Spears are prosecuting the case.

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RESULTS

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I'm not concerned at all. This hand has been way overplayed.



Total votes: 134

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Now the Avalanche asks:

In light of the Uvalde tragedy and several other recent mass shootings, what is your current stand on gun control?

- The Second Amendment still stands - I have the right to bear arms. Period.
- Automatic and semi-automatic weapons should definitely be banned, stricter laws and background checks are needed, and red flag laws should be universally in effect and enforced.
- Complete gun control is the only solution - the government should confiscate all weapons from private ownership.

Vote for this week's poll online at: www.AlpineAvalanche.com

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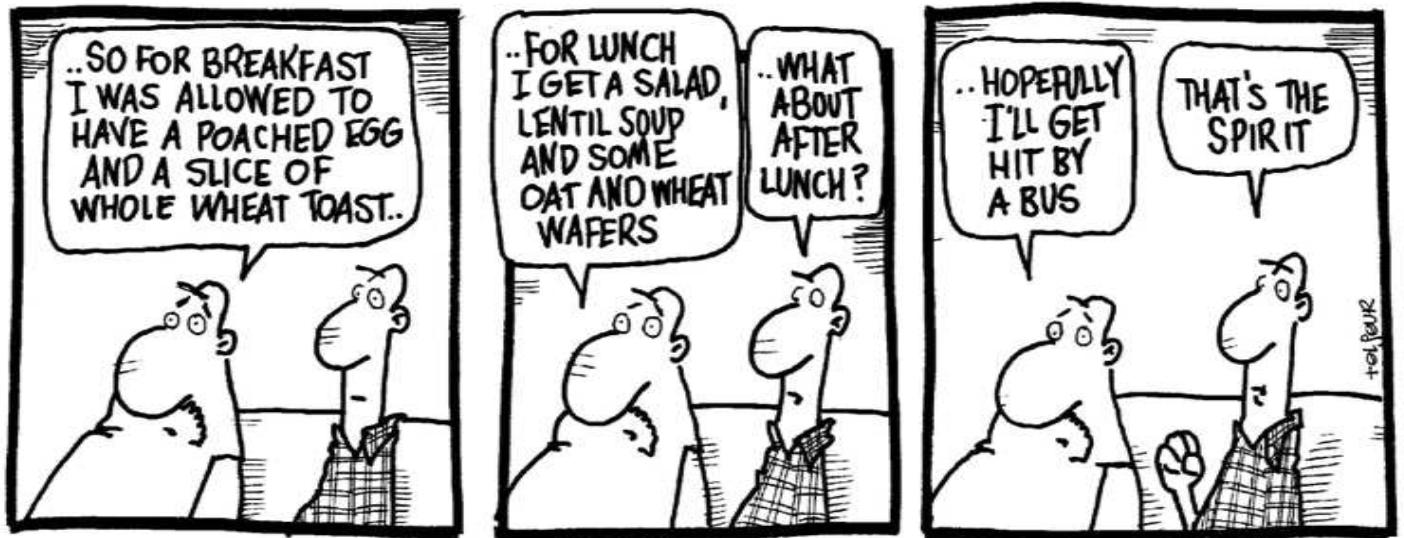
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Thought I was saving money by napping

Nothing spoils a Sunday afternoon nap quicker than waking up to a text. Especially one like this. "Hi, it's your credit card company. Did you just make this purchase with your card ending in 1234?"

Company: (I never heard of them.)

Approved: \$350.47

Text back yes or no to protect your account."

Grasping for that kind of reality while simultaneously waking up from a nap was more mental dexterity than I am accustomed to demonstrating on Sunday afternoons.

Three hundred and fifty bucks? Was it the bread and milk I picked up at the grocery store yesterday? Wait, maybe that's where I topped off the gas tank in my car the day before. Satisfied the charge was not mine, a quick "no" reply to the credit card company text sent me to their website where answering a couple of questions canceled the charge and my card. Plus, a replacement card was promised.

At least this occurrence was quick and easy to fix.



LEON ALDRIDGE

Guest Columnist

While the internet was still a dream, a phone call to the credit card protection company brought results. Some unexpected.

"Was your wallet lost or stolen," the service rep asked?

"I don't know," I replied. "Temporarily unfindable is the best explanation I can offer."

She decided that declaring it stolen would be best should one of my cards were used for illegal activities.

And everything was fine. Until that night about a week later in a Shreveport department store. Actually, it started a few days before when I discovered a credit card in my desk drawer. I felt sure it was a new one not listed with the protection service.

Presenting my purchases

for payment, I pushed the card across the counter and told the young man, "Charge it, please."

Again, these were pre-internet days meaning he stamped the card on the receipt gizmo, and placed the usual verification phone call.

"Oh really," I heard him say as he repeated the number again. "Okay. Sure," he said, glancing up at me. Somewhere about the second "okay" I knew this was not going to end well. What I didn't know was what the credit card service rep on the other end of the call was telling him.

Things like, "This is a stolen card. Do not show any emotion toward the customer. Do not act surprised. Put him on the phone, but do not under any circumstances let him have the card back."

The clerk handed the phone in my direction and said, "They want to talk to you."

"Mr. Aldridge," the voice on the phone said, "I need to ask you one quick question for verification."

"S-S-S-Sure," I replied calmly.

"I'm looking at your account history. Can you name the restaurant in west Dallas where you ate a couple of months ago and used your charge card?"

Silence. I can't remember what I had for breakfast, and the man wants to know where I ate in Dallas two months ago.

"N-N-No, sir," I replied, trying to sound like I was in charge of the situation.

Silence again. "How about a hotel in Irving about the same time," he asked. "The charges were around \$200."

"Oh yes," I almost shouted when it came to me. I responded with the hotel and the restaurant's name, and felt like the jackpot winner of a TV game show. The charge was approved. And I surrendered my "stolen" card while apologizing to the store clerk for creating a problem.

So, this most recent experience behind me, I will have a new card in a few days, and life will return to normal.

Maybe I'll nap better if I return to using cash. They do still make cash, don't they?

Illegals sue Texas and demand \$5 million

A group of illegal aliens in Texas has filed a lawsuit claiming their arrests on local and state charges are "unconstitutional." Adding to this class-action chutzpah, they want more than \$5 million in compensation.

The 98-page legal long shot in federal district court in Austin has yet to get support from the Biden administration, and there are good reasons why not.

Since Joe Biden's Inauguration Day, Texas has been deluged by a rising tide of illegal border crossings. The 129,000 illegal entries into Texas this past March were 11,000 more than in March 2021, the New York Times reported. At this pace the total will surpass the combined populations of Houston, Dallas, and San Antonio by the end of 2024.

Countering Border Patrol



BOB DANE

Guest Columnist

and-re-release protocols, G o v . G r e g A b b o t t launched Operation Lone Star to arrest and jail illegal aliens who violate state and local laws. Though the migrants' lawsuit alleges a vigilante campaign, OLS is simply enforcing laws applicable to any U.S. citizen.

The migrants' court filing notes that OLS had incarcerated 2,887 illegal aliens through March. Most received short sentences for criminal trespassing, with others convicted for burglary, robbery, or auto theft. Drug and human trafficking busts were not included.

With its two designated detention facilities remaining at less than half capacity, Texas' pushback has been modest and restrained. Police pursue trespassers with the consent of ranchers and property owners harried by intruders who frequently wear camouflage to blend in with the harsh, brushy terrain.

For all the resources Texas is expending on OLS, Ken Cuccinelli, a top Homeland Security official in the Trump administration, told the Times, "Lone Star hasn't moved the needle one iota for the simple reason that they're not returning people to Mexico."

Indeed, as Border Patrol agents stand down, OLS arrests are essentially a speed bump to illegal entry.

"When the federal government abandons its re-

sponsibilities to protect our borders, this is the kind of chaos that results," said Dale L. Wilcox, executive director and general counsel at the Washington, D.C. based Immigration Reform Law Institute.

Still, Wilcox hails Texas' effort on legal and practical grounds, as far as it goes.

"The residents and the leadership of Texas cannot be asked to simply watch as their state is overrun with foreign nationals. They also cannot be told to absorb the financial costs of reckless federal policies. Entering Texas illegally from Mexico is trespassing by definition," he stated in an email.

Illegal aliens seeking to make a federal case of Operation Lone Star should be laughed out of court and sent back across the border, post haste.

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Heard on the STREET

What is your favorite memory of Dad growing up?



Jennie Hall, Alpine: I'm from Ohio, so we used to watch the river by our house and feed the ducks. I would always go to basketball games with him, and he would say that they would only win if I came to the game with him, when I was a little kid. That was pretty cool.



Darrell Losoya, Alpine: We always worked on Father's Day when I was a kid. Mother's Day, Father's Day, we always worked. One of my favorite memories was also going to Garner State Park on a long week of vacation in Concan. The whole family would go, and we would celebrate Father's Day there.



Clayton Galloway, Alpine: Just being one of my coaches for sports. My dad was a coach for a lot of my sports.



Sara Ontiveroz, Marfa: He worked with TxDOT, but when he retired, I used to love when he worked outside this ranch outside of Marfa-McGuire Ranch. He would take us up those roads, and we got to see a lot of scenery. It was like an adventure. Every March he would also take us all for a drive. My mom loved the bluebonnets, and he would take us all through that scenic drive by Big Bend. We would pack up a lunch and eat on the side of the road.



Theresa Simmerman, Fort Davis: During the summer, my dad would take my sister and I and a few neighbor kids to the lake after he got home from work. We would all pile into the car with our towels, then run screaming into the water when we arrived. He would unfold his lawn chair, and sit reading the newspaper on the shore while we played in the water. Now that I'm grown, I think about how tired he was after work, but he took us several times a week. He was a wonderful father.

Send your community events to editor@alpineavalanche.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE 24
Travel Talk, 7 p.m. at Alpine Public Library in the AEP Foundation multipurpose room, 805 W. Ave. E. Wildlife biologist Raymond Skiles will take his audience on a tour of towns and mountains in Mexico south of Big Bend National Park.

JUNE 25
"Show Me the Father" movie, 3 p.m. at Alpine First Assembly of God, 1802 Fort Davis Hwy. Produced by the Kendrick brothers to address fatherhood. Popcorn and bottled water will be served. Free and open to the public.

JUNE 25-26
Co-ed Softball Tournament, Lu-



jan baseball field, 500 S. 11th St. in Alpine. Proceeds to benefit Shelly Pearce for medical expenses. Will be selling Frito pie and burgers with chips and drink. Donations welcomed and appreciated. To enter or for more information, call Paul Pearce at 432-294-0780 or Maurissa Vasquez at 432-294-0246.

ONGOING EVENTS

Alcoholics Anonymous, 502 E. Lockhart Ave. Schedules available on front door. For more information, call 915-562-4081 or aa-intergroup.org.

Alpine Lions Club meeting, noon Tuesdays at the Sul Ross University Center, Room 210.

American Legion Post 79 meeting, 6:30 p.m., second Monday each month, Legion Hall, 306 W. Sul Ross Ave. Dinner provided.

American Legion Auxiliary meeting, 4 p.m., third Monday each month, Legion Hall, 306 W. Sul Ross Ave.

Big Bend Community Chorale rehearsals, on Monday evenings at 6 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church sanctuary in Alpine. All are welcome, but first contact Andrew Alegria at Andrew.alegria@sulross.edu, call 432-837-8216, or visit bbchorale.wixsite.com/bbcc.

Learning from the best



Alpine ISD Superintendent Dr. Michelle Rinehart joins Board of Trustees members Jimmy Morris, Nikki Ahrens, Joe Portillo, Haley Babb, Eddie Natera, and Mary McCallister at the Summer Leadership Institute in San Antonio on June 15-18. Sessions were held for school board members across the state, and consisted of collaborative learning sessions and key topics to further educational goals for school districts.

Courtesy photo

Tejano and treats



Volunteers Elidia Polanco and Mary Ann Lujan held a breakfast burrito fundraiser outside Porter's grocery store in Alpine on June 14 to raise funds for the popular Fiesta 1888 music event to be held Aug. 20 on Historic Murphy Street, featuring legendary Tejano artists Little Joe and Ruben Ramos. The event is free and open to the public.

Avalanche photo by Roxanne Hill

PET OF THE WEEK

Alpine Humane Society Pets of the Week are kittens! Like Juniper, all kittens and cats are featured during June, Adopt A Cat Month. A cat and kitten adoptions are half price at just \$50. This includes spay/neuter, vaccines, and microchip. Between the Alpine Animal Shelter and at the Alpine Humane Society Thrift Store Cattery, more than 30 felines are available in all colors and sizes. Of course, kittens are always better adopted in pairs, and we have many kitten siblings ready to join your family.

Kitten fosters are very much needed right now. If you can care for some of these cute little fluffs, you can help save lives. Alpine Humane Society provides everything needed to get them started right in life so they can be adopted into loving homes.

If you cannot foster but still want to help, donating multi-cat clumping litter is very helpful. Donated litter can be dropped off Monday through Saturday,



10 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Thrift Store.

Shelter pet 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, and is now open six days per week. To view adoptable pets, visit Petfinder.com.

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HERITAGE • FROM 1

a tour in Vietnam from 1970-1972. Robert is the past commander of the VFW and the American Legion in Alpine. Another decorated local veteran featured in the mural is the late Alberto

Lara Rojo, affectionately known as “Popo Beto,” a native of Marfa who was drafted into the U.S. Navy during World War II. After his military service, Rojo moved his young family to Alpine, and he later held posts as a City of Alpine council member, Brewster County Commissioner, and more, crediting much of his success in life to his experiences in the Navy.

Qvarnstrom summed up the mural’s remarkable impact using the words of Guadalupe Garcia McCall, a Sul Ross graduate and nationally known children/teen author who gave a speech during the dedication.

“It is clear to us all that love is present here today,” said McCall. “Love is living and breathing in these murals. Each word inscribed in these plaques, each stroke of the painter’s brush, speaks to the love and respect Sul Ross State University has for the Hispanic community in Alpine.”

Though some of the characters depicted in the murals are departed, their stories and accomplishments serve as a reminder of dreams that can be fulfilled, and which will surely inspire generations to come.

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The First Presbyterian Church of Alpine, Texas
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Please join us afterwards for a reception

Health fair at Civic Center



Alpine Police Chief Darrell Losoya takes fingerprints for Jazlynn Valdez, 9, and Joleigh Valdez, 8, at the annual health fair on June 18 at the Civic Center. Sponsored by Big Bend Regional Hospital District and Big Bend Regional Medical Center, more than 20 exhibitors offered their services to the public.

Avalanche photo by Gail Diane Yovanovich

AISD • FROM 1

The board then approved the recommendation by a vote of 6-0. Trustee, Dist. 2, Joe Portillo was absent.

“I’m so excited, so pumped,” said Vickers when asked about his new position as high school principal. “This is a great district and a great campus, and I’m

thrilled to be a part of the administrative team and be further part of this community.”

Wubbena, who is a minister at Alpine Church of Christ, echoed the sentiment, saying, “I’m very excited. I’ve been here for almost five years, and I love Alpine. I’m looking forward to

meeting with more of the parents and the children, and helping them move forward.”

The next regularly scheduled Alpine ISD Board of Trustees meeting is set for Wednesday, June 29, at 5:30 p.m. in the Administration Building board room.

WATER • FROM 1

and with having the wells down it makes it harder. We are also requesting commercial reduction of major water usage.”

Antrim said the city

would also be monitoring the municipal swimming pool levels.

Public Utilities Director Keith Segar further warned, “If the tanks are empty and end up running below pressure on the lines, then the entire city is going to be on a water boil notice, and we don’t want to do that.”

Antrim indicated the city would continue to monitor the water demand, but if the situation worsened, the city would issue further water usage restrictions, which would include mandatory water rationing.

In other business, council discussed the issue of hotel occupancy taxes, with hoteliers not paying their fair share. City Attorney Rod Ponton said he would bring back to council a process for dealing with the problem.

“There are some good tools in the toolbox to force some of these peo-

ple to pay,” explained Ponton. “We can put liens on their property, but if we put a lien, they cannot sell the hotel and get rid of the lien. It goes with their property, and the new owner must pay the unpaid taxes to get the title. Finally, if they have not paid, I can get a district judge to enter an order shutting the business down.”

Next, growing pains with utility billing was discussed as an information only item, brought forth by Council, Ward 2, Chris Rodriguez, who indicated customers were frustrated with the way the billing was handled. Antrim’s rationale was staff shortage in the billing department, and problems with the billing software system, meter readings, and potential water leaks. She said the staff was “overwhelmed.”

Finally, Mayor Catherine Eaves recommended

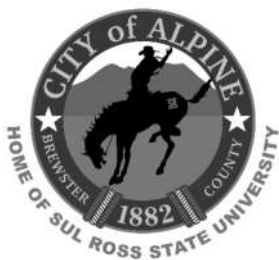
and nominated Gilbert Valenzuela, a former Brewster County Justice of the Peace, as the new municipal court judge, and the council approved unanimously.

Antrim then recommended that Andrew Devaney, a building inspector currently employed by the City of Baytown, be hired as the new Alpine director of building services.

Devaney, a commercial and residential inspector, said he looked forward to bringing in more business for the city, adding, “I want to build relationships with contractors and engineers who want to do work for Alpine, and overall build a better city environment.”

Council then unanimously approved hiring Devaney.

The next regularly scheduled city council meeting is set for Tuesday, July 5, at 5:30 p.m. in the city council chambers.



PUBLIC NOTICE

EMERGENCY DROUGHT CONTINGENCY MEASURES

Due to the current drought conditions in our area, we have reached conditions that require us to implement the Drought Contingency Plan for the City of Alpine, effective Thursday, June 23, 2022. At this time we are requesting the following VOLUNTARY measures from residents using the municipal water supply in order to preserve water:

1. Customers with even-numbered street addresses should water lawns on even-numbered days early in the morning, or late in the evening.
2. Customers with odd-numbered street addresses should water lawns on odd-numbered days early in the morning, or late in the evening.
3. Reduce watering of ALL public parks, and public facilities, to minimum levels to reduce vegetation loss.
4. Reduce water usage from all commercial/industrial users to conserve city water supplies for human consumption.

It is our greatest hope that these voluntary measures will help us preserve municipal water supplies during this difficult time, however, if drought conditions persist, and conditions worsen, further conservation measures will be implemented including mandatory water rationing.

We appreciate everyone’s help in this matter and will be monitoring the situation continuously throughout the emergency. We’re all in this together. Questions may be directed to the Director of Utilities at utilities_director@ci.alpine.tx.us or by phone at (432) 837-3281, option 6.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Alpine-Casparis Municipal Airport
TxDOT Solicitation No.: NTB2224ALPIN00000

A “Notice to Bidders” is issued for construction of airport improvements at Alpine Casparis Municipal Airport for: Replace Medium Intensity Runway Lighting (MIRL) on Runway 1-19 and Replace VASI with Precision Approach Path Indicator-2 (PAPI) on Runway 1-19. Sealed bids need to be addressed and delivered to Mr. Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary, Alpine City Hall, 100 North 13th Street, Alpine, Texas 79830. Bids will be received until 3 PM, August 9, 2022, then publicly opened and read. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

Bidders may print free plan sets from Plans Online <http://www.txdot.gov/insidetxdot/division/support/plans-online.html>. Or bidders may buy plan sets from the Reproduction companies listed on the website.

Questions concerning specifications and plans should be directed to, Chris Whitfield, PE at cwhitfield@hwlochner.com or (972) 658-2433. Visit the Aviation website <http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/division/aviation/projects.html> or call Dawn Denson, TxDOT Aviation, at 512-416-4526, for bid information.

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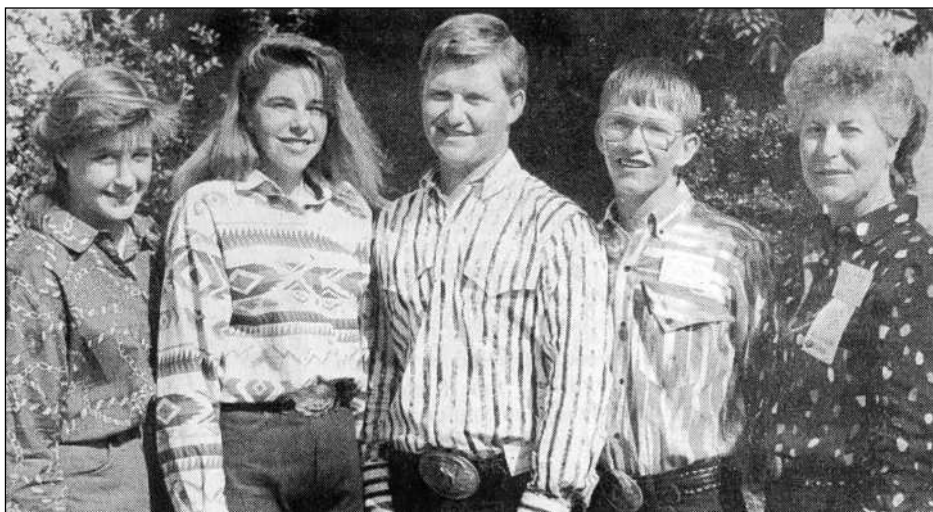
LOOKING BACK

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June 18, 1992

The Brewster County 4-H horse judging team placed first in State competition last week. In the photo, first place team Sarita Love, Mary Katherine Groth, Kevin Wink, Kerry Wink, and Coach Nancy Groth, all of Marathon.

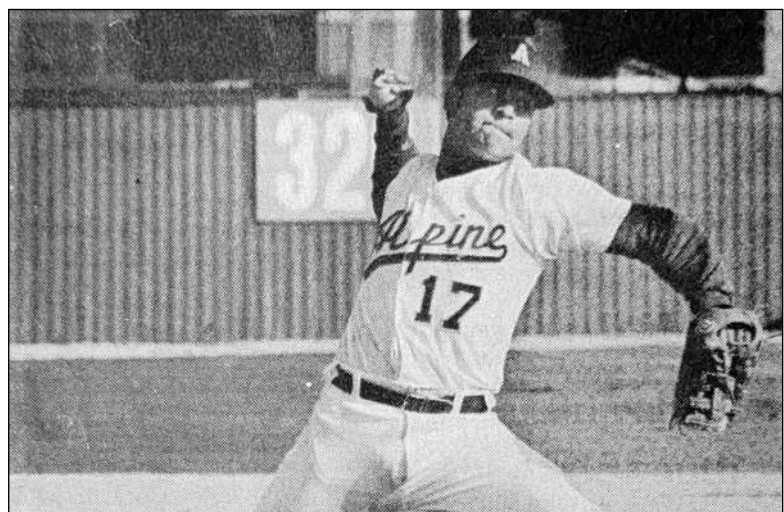


June 25, 1992

Carol Jackson (center), a cancer survivor for more than four years, gets advice, instruction, and technical assistance as she prepares for the Longest Day of Golf at Alpine Country Club. Carol Parr, Ginger Elliott, Janice Harvey, and Larry Bryant (back row), Carla McFarland (kneeling), and Bryan Elliott and Libby Dalton try to adjust her swing.

June 4, 1992

Ben Gallego bears down against the Canyon Eagles. Benito struck out eight in a 2-1 losing battle for the Regional Semi-Finals.



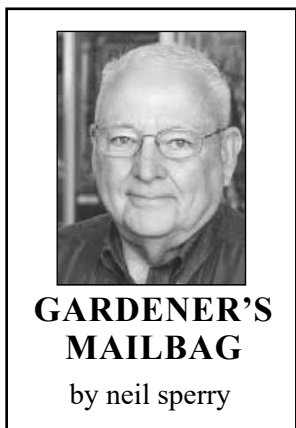
June 25, 1992

Whitney Skinner and Nicole Morrison proudly sport the newest fashions from Portable Art. Robo Cross looks on with a smile.

Mealybugs among the more obnoxious pests

Dear Neil: Something is attacking and killing the potted plants on my porch. What is it, and what is the treatment?

These are mealybugs. As insect pests go, they are among the most obnoxious. They are soft-bodied scale insects. They migrate in their younger stages, and attach to the plants' stems and leaves, then suck the sap out of the plants' tissues. They are generally a more serious problem on plants indoors or in greenhouses, but they will occasionally show up on plants in flowerbeds. If you have only a few mealybugs, you can generally use a cotton swab dipped in rubbing alcohol to eradicate them. For larger populations, however, you will need to use a properly labeled insecticide. It almost always takes sev-



GARDENER'S MAILBAG

by neil sperry

eral applications on two-to three-week intervals to get rid of them. My best advice is don't let them get started.

Dear Neil: We've been gardening for 60 years, and this year for the first time, no tomatoes. The plants are growing well, but no blooms and, therefore, no tomatoes. They are the variety Celebrity as we always grow. Do you have any idea what the problem might be? We

did get them planted late.

The late planning did not help since we turned so hot so early. There is also a possibility that your garden may have more shade than it has had in the past, perhaps from trees that have grown larger. If you are growing tomatoes in the same soil year after year, problems like nematodes can build up in the soil. It's a good idea to move your crops around. Farmers refer to it as crop rotation. It's also possible that your plants were mislabeled at the nursery, although you would expect any tomato variety, mislabeled or otherwise, at least to bloom. Beyond that, I really don't have any other brainstorms. If it's any consolation, a couple of my veteran gardening friends have reported similar experi-

ences this spring.

Dear Neil: We built a rose garden last winter, and planted seven roses. They bloomed beautifully this spring, but today the plants are spindly and now have yellowed, blotchy leaves. I don't know what to do. Any advice?

Google "photo roses black spot." I suspect that fungal disease has knocked the leaves off your plants. It hits in the cool, moist days of



Mealybugs

spring. The leaves develop yellow blotches with dark brown or black spots. Infected leaves soon drop, leaving the plants almost completely bare. If that's the case, your best bet is to trim them back by 30-35%, and start a weekly spray program with any fungicide labeled for black spot control. Next time,

look into the Texas A&M EarthKind roses that have been shown to be almost bulletproof against the disease.

Have a question you'd like Neil to consider? Email him at mailbag@sperrygardens.com. Neil regrets that he cannot reply to questions individually.

ACROSS

- 1 TXism: "in _____ neck of the woods"
- 5 TXism: "that dog _____ hunt"
- 6 Texas Ranger pitcher, Glen _____
- 7 expression of relief
- 8 TX Farrah Fawcett film: "Somebody Killed _____ Husband"
- 9 doctors' org.
- 12 seat of Callahan County
- 17 racing team rowing guys
- 19 blood vessel
- 21 _____ sonnets (poems)
- 22 peanut
- 23 TXism: "quick _____ in church"
- 28 TX-born Roger Miller 1964 hit: "_____ Me"
- 29 gunfighter skill in early Texas: "quick _____"
- 30 Lake Ray Roberts area: "Isle _____"
- 31 TXism: "wipe the slate clean"
- 35 "_____ Space" will build first industrial space station
- 36 TX Simone Biles was _____ of the Year" in 2014
- 42 TX NFL Hall-of-Famer Forrest Gregg was drafted _____ in 1956
- 44 Bastrop was named for one

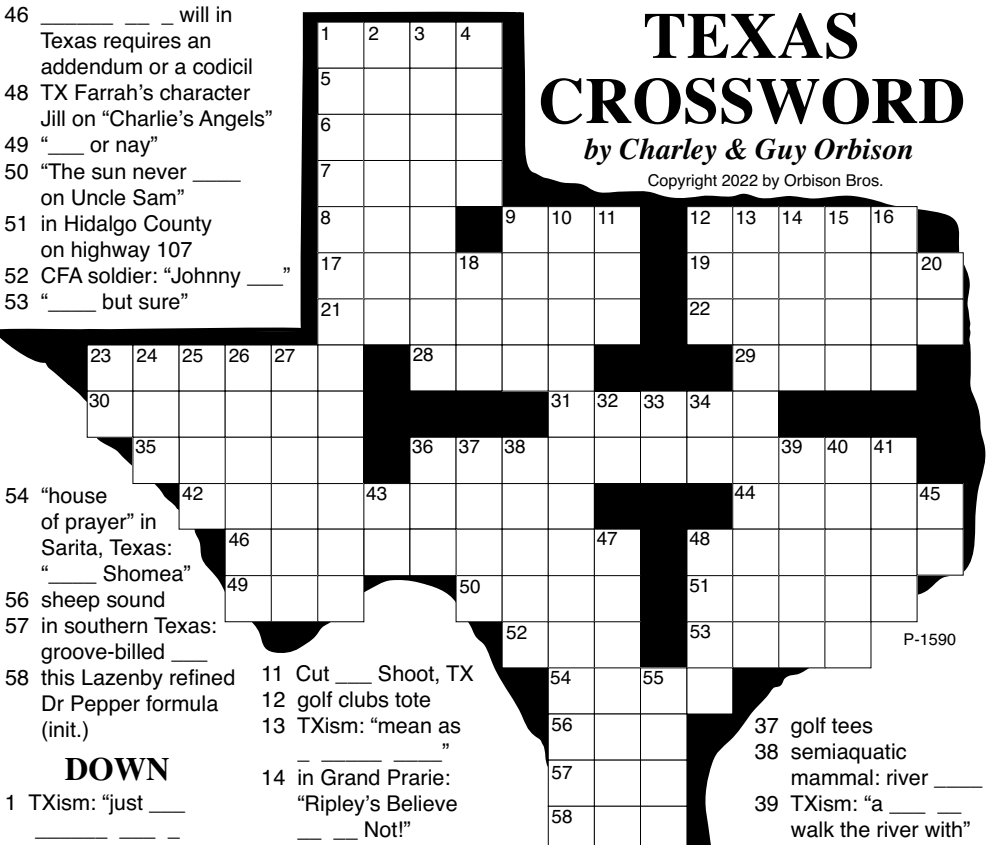
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- 1 TXism: "just _____ holler away" (near a person who might have "road rage" in Houston? (hyph.))
- 2 buried
- 3 place in storage
- 4 Apollo 11: "one small step for _____"
- 5 Teddy Roosevelt recruited Rough Riders in this San Antonio site (3 wds.)
- 6 _____ will in Texas requires an addendum or a codicil
- 7 TX Farrah's character Jill on "Charlie's Angels"
- 8 "_____ or nay"
- 9 "The sun never _____ on Uncle Sam"
- 10 in Hidalgo County on highway 107
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by Charley & Guy Orbison

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- 11 Cut _____ Shoot, TX golf clubs tote
- 12 TXism: "mean as _____"
- 13 _____
- 14 in Grand Prairie: "Ripley's Believe _____ Not!"
- 15 TX Kelly Clarkson is daughter-in-law to this McEntire
- 16 this former Cowboy, Pearson, is now in NFL Hall of Fame
- 17 fed. retire. agcy.
- 18 2022, e.g. (abbr.)
- 19 business info. in a Texas newspaper
- 20 Texas "soccer mom" vehicle? (abbr.)
- 21 _____
- 22 _____
- 23 _____
- 24 _____
- 25 "blind as _____"
- 26 the capital city of this country is Oslo
- 27 _____-camp
- 28 TX actor Torn (init.)
- 29 TXism: "honest _____ the day is long"
- 30 dir. from Canyon to Hereford
- 31 TXism: "old as _____"
- 32 _____
- 33 _____
- 34 _____
- 35 _____
- 36 _____
- 37 golf tees
- 38 semiaquatic mammal: river _____
- 39 TXism: "a _____ walk the river with"
- 40 bow and _____
- 41 classic western: "High _____" (1952)
- 42 Texas electronics corp.
- 43 dir. to Cameron from New Braunfels
- 44 "bland _____ without salt pork"
- 45 sour _____
- 46 TXism: "jump _____" (escape)

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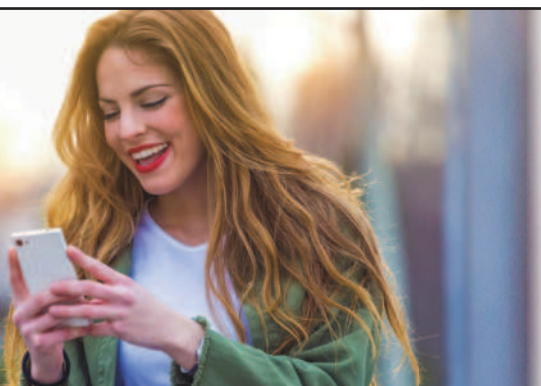
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Sports

Traylor made Cowboys history in Austin

BY ETHAN EIBE
Sports Correspondent



Alpine 06 Cowboy Mark Traylor recorded his 168th hit with the team to break the all-time franchise record.

Photo by Ethan Eibe

In the top of the third inning, Pumpkin Center, La., native Mark Traylor bounced a two-RBI single into center field against Austin Weirdos pitcher Jacob Hubbard to record the 168th hit in his four-season Cowboys career, setting the record for most hits in a Cowboys uniform. He eclipsed former Cowboys star Lance Myers for the milestone, an old teammate of Traylor's who won the 2019 Pecos League Championship with him.

"It's been an amazing ride with the Alpine Cowboys," Traylor said. "To reach this milestone in my career professionally means a lot to me. I have to give all the credit to God. To do this on Father's Day, I also have to thank my parents for being with me through my whole career."

Traylor went on to record three hits and four RBI on the afternoon,

tacking on a seventh-inning run-scoring single and a triple in the ninth as Alpine coasted to a series-clinching 16-7 win over Austin.

"Mark didn't have any hits Saturday with the record on the line, but he came to me today and said today was the day, and low and behold he goes three for six," said Cowboys manager Sean Persky. "He is swinging it like the Mark Traylor of

old. I am glad to see that Mark came through in a big moment for the team as well as for himself."

The Cowboys began their four-city, nine-game road trip on Friday night at Austin's Parque Zaragoza, a public park hosting the Weirdos for their inaugural season in the Pecos League. With three games scheduled in Austin and two games each in Weimar, Tucson, Ariz., and Roswell,

Cowboys Schedule

June 23-24: Tucson Saguaros @ Tucson 7 p.m.
June 25-26: Roswell Invaders @ Roswell 7 p.m.
June 27-29: Austin Weirdos @ Alpine 7 p.m.

N.M., Alpine looked to pick up right where they left off after winning five straight at home.

Southpaw Buzz Shirley toed the rubber Friday for Alpine, and delivered another fantastic effort, limiting the Weirdos to two runs over six frames while throwing 128 pitches. The Cowboys scored early and often, including a nine-run third inning, to put the game away early. Third baseman James Prockish launched a three-run homer to right field in the frame, the only Cowboys home run of the series.

Guatemalan right-hander Alejandro Amezcua pitched the seventh, eighth, and ninth innings to put the

finishing touches on an 18-6 series-opening win, the sixth straight for Alpine at the time.

The winning streak would not last much longer, as the Weirdos came back with a vengeance Saturday night. Behind a six-inning, one-run, eight-strikeout masterpiece from Jose Diaz, Austin won the second game of the series 12-5. Outfielder Aramis Cruz was the star of the show, as the Orlando, Fla., native blasted a pair of three-run homers against Cowboys starting pitcher Ridge Walker.

Traylor recorded his record-breaking hit Sunday as Andrew Capone, Bryce Donovan, and Manny Garcia all tacked on multiple RBI. Lefty hurler A.J. Gartland spun

five innings of six-run ball, and only allowed three hits through his first four frames. It will end up being Gartland's final appearance in professional baseball, as the Alfred State University alum accepted a full-time position at an architecture firm in his native New York.

"Great discipline by our hitters at the dish all series long," Persky said. "They got on base and created opportunities for the guys behind them."

The Cowboys will wrap up the final six games of their road trip with two games each against the Weimar Horrigas, Tucson Saguaros, and Roswell Invaders. The team's next home series is from June 27-29 at Kokernot Field against the Austin Weirdos.

Hutchings defends championship title

The annual 2022 College National Finals Rodeo wrapped up Saturday night in Casper, Wyo., featuring the best of the best rodeo student athletes who compete individually and for their school in the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association.

This year, the Sul Ross State University men's team finished third in NIRA Southwest Region, winning three team championships out of 10, and sending five cowboys to compete at the 2022 CNFR.

Tristen Hutchings returned to defend his 2021 national Bull Riding Championship title. Going into Saturday night's championship round, Hutchings held the lead, and no one made it to the whistle on all three. After a round one no score, he won round two, and earned second in round three, following that up with a quick trip to Reno to add to his \$45k-plus of professional earnings this year and putting him 16th in the world standings. In the championship round he did not make the eight second mark, yet scored high enough to claim the reserve bull riding championship. He also qualified in steer wrestling, and finished 16th in that event.

In the team roping, heeler Mason Pitts roped with Brett Stuart of Tarleton State University and the pair finished in the top 20. Header Kade Smith won third in the Region and roped with Hayden Cape of West Texas A&M University, but the pair could not put together a score in the three rounds.

Putting on a rodeo requires a large number of

personnel, and Sul Ross Coach C.J. Aragon served as the CNFR timed event arena director in addition to coaching. Hadley Kibbe, who earned the Southwest Region 2022 Walt Garrison Top Hand Award, did not qualify for the CNFR, but she worked alongside Aragon, running the team's social media, taking photographs, and even singing the National Anthem to start one of the performances.



Reserve champion bull rider Tristen Hutchings out of the gate during round two at the 2022 CNFR.

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Hot brown-stuffed French toast

This recipe is brought to us from the folks at Food Network. The hot brown sandwich is native to the Brown Hotel in Louisville, Ky., and was created by Fred K. Schmidt in 1926 to serve as an alternative to ham and egg late-night dinners. So to see this Kentucky tradition altered might upset a few folks. But recipes are made to be expanded upon and altered to create new recipes and give rise to fresh ideas.

This play on French toast and a hot brown



sandwich is unique to say the least. Yet unlike what we are accustomed to as French toast, there is no sweet to this dish, but what it lacks in that de-

partment it makes up for in richness. Baked turkey, cheese, and tomato sandwiches smothered in bacon and mornay sauce, well it does not get much better than that.

Now this recipe takes a little time and a lot of ingredients, but it is well worth the trouble in the end. Due to its decadence and multiple steps, this recipe might be one of those we save for special occasions, such as holidays or birthdays. Its components lend themselves to the richness in Southern cuisine that we are accustomed to, as well as the nuances of flavor created by combining a Kentucky open faced sandwich tradition with the Roman legacy of French toast.

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



Hot brown-stuffed French toast

- Ingredients:**
- Nonstick cooking spray for the baking pan and foil
 - 2 cups half and half
 - 4 large eggs
 - ¼ cup freshly grated pecorino (about 1-½ ounces), plus more for serving
 - ¼ teaspoon plus 1/8 teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg
 - Kosher salt and fresh ground black pepper
 - 14 thick slices bakery-style white bread
 - 1-½ cups shredded sharp white cheddar cheese (about 6 ounces)
 - 2 medium Roma tomatoes, cut thinly into 14 slices
 - 14 thin slices cracked pepper turkey (about 8 ounces)
 - 8 slices bacon, cut into ½-inch pieces
 - 3 tablespoons unsalted butter
 - ¼ cup all-purpose flour
 - 2 cups whole milk
 - 1 tablespoon finely chopped fresh parsley
 - Paprika for serving

Directions:

Preheat the oven to 375 degrees. Lightly spray a 9x13-inch metal baking pan with nonstick cooking spray.

Whisk together the half and half, eggs, two tablespoons of the pecorino, ¼ teaspoon of the nutmeg, one teaspoon salt, and ½ teaspoon black pepper in a large bowl until smooth and combined. Lay seven slices of bread on a cutting board. Sprinkle one heaping tablespoon shredded cheddar on each slice. Top each with two slices of tomato, then two slices of turkey, folding the turkey as needed to fit.

Place the remaining seven slices of bread on top to form seven sandwiches. Cut each sandwich in half diagonally. Dip both sides of each sandwich half into the custard mixture, and transfer to the prepared baking pan, arranging in two long, shingled rows. Pour any remaining custard over the sandwiches.

Spray a large piece of foil with nonstick cooking spray. Place the foil sprayed-side down on top of the baking pan, crimping the sides of the foil around the pan to seal. Bake for 30 minutes. Remove the foil and bake until the custard is set, but still slightly jiggly, about 10 minutes more. Remove the baking pan and switch the oven to broil.

Meanwhile, add the bacon to a large nonstick skillet, and set over medium heat. Cook, stirring occasionally, until light golden and completely rendered, 8-12 minutes (it will cook the rest of the way and crisp up under the broiler.) Remove with a slotted spoon to a paper towel lined plate to drain.

Next, melt the butter in a large saucepan over medium heat. Whisk in the flour, and cook until bubbling and no longer raw, 1-2 minutes. While continually whisking, slowly pour in the milk. Cook, whisking continuously, until thickened, about two minutes. Add the remaining cheddar, two tablespoons pecorino, 1/8 teaspoon of ground nutmeg, ¾ teaspoon salt, and several grinds of pepper, and whisk until combined. Remove from the heat and cover to keep warm.

When the French toast is baked, pour the cheese sauce over it, making sure the bread is evenly coated, then sprinkle with the chopped bacon. Broil until bubbling at the edges and light golden brown, 3-4 minutes. Sprinkle with the parsley, paprika, and couple of pinches of pecorino.

Alpine Athletics Strength and Conditioning

- All Alpine student athletes grades 7-12
- June 27-30 - High school field house 6 p.m.
- July 4-7 - Closed
- July 11-14 - High school field house 6 p.m.
- July 20-22 - High school field house 6 p.m.
- July 25-28 - High school field house 6 p.m.
- High school football and volleyball - first day Aug. 1
- All incoming 7th, 9th, and 11th grade students must have physicals on file before participation in practice or a game.

Headed for Lubbock



The Alpine 10U All Stars are headed to Lubbock on July 7-11 for the West Texas All Stars Tournament. In the photo, Areyiah Molinar, Imani Squalls, Iliana Dominguez, Ella Roach, Eivary Mercado, Maxine Pitts, Edie Dubois, Rynn Matthews, Miranda Morales, Lina Carter, Zoe Munoz, and Elisia Markin, and not pictured Rayah Ramos; in the back, coaches Sam Morales, Matt Pitts, Roxy Pitts, and Rush Carter, and not pictured Robert Dominguez.

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- 10AM - 6PM: Shopping, food and fun around the Jeff Davis County Courthouse
- 11AM: BBQ by the Jeff Davis County Livestock Association
- 11AM & 3PM: Cowboy Hypnotist
- 2PM: Tumbleweed Smith's One Man Show
- 8PM: Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys live at the Kelly Pavilion
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- 10AM - 6PM: Shopping, food and fun around the Jeff Davis County Courthouse
- 11AM - 6PM: KALP's Tejano Sunday live with DJ Robert Alvarez and DJ Pancho, Big Bend Radio
- NOON: Chili Macho and Salsa Competition
- 2PM: Tumbleweed Smith's One Man Show
- 3PM: Cowboy Hypnotist
- 5PM: Grito Competition
- 7PM - 1AM: Big Bend Radio's Tejano Sunday's 7th Annual Puro Party Celebration live at the Kelly Pavilion

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- 8AM: Coolest 5K Fun Run and Walk
- 10AM - 6PM: Shopping, food and fun around the Jeff Davis County Courthouse
- 11AM: Field Games on the Courthouse Lawn
- NOON: Pet Parade around the Jeff Davis County Courthouse
- 1PM - 6PM: Live Music & Entertainment on the Courthouse Lawn Stage
- 1PM: Cowboy Hypnotist

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BBT receives certification

Big Bend Telephone was recognized by NT-CA-The Rural Broadband Association, as a Smart Rural Community provider in 2015 and most recently a Certified Gig-Capable Provider for delivering gigabit broadband speeds and enabling technological innovation in West Texas communities.

SRC is a national network of communities powered by innovative rural broadband providers that are building a brighter future for small-town America. The program promotes rural broadband, and its role in supporting innovative economic development, effective education, efficient energy distribution and use, state-of-the-art health care, and other important issues for rural America.

As a Certified Gig-Capable Provider, BBT joins a national campaign

to build awareness and industry recognition of community-based telecom providers that have built communications networks capable of delivering internet speeds of up to one gigabit per second, which is 100 times faster than those currently available in many U.S. households.

"BBT has been committed to providing the best, available communications services to its customers for over 60 years. Our investment in a fiber infrastructure is another way of showing our continued growth in providing robust, scalable voice and broadband services for the next generation," said Rusty Moore, BBT General Manager/COO.

To receive recognition as an SRC provider, BBT was required to affirm that it offers 100 Mbps broadband to at least 50% of its service area, that it has broadband subscription

rates of at least 50%, and that it is committed to program principles of collaboration and innovation.

To achieve certification as a Gig-Capable Provider, BBT showed that gigabit technology is currently commercially available within 95% of one or more exchanges within its serving territory and that such service can be provided without new trenching or stringing new aerial facilities. This statement must be confirmed by a letter from an engineering firm or other independent source involved in the company's network planning, deployment or operation.

BBT gigabit internet is offered throughout its service territory where fiber is available. Sanderson, Sheffield, Comstock, and Langtry are 100% served by synchronous gigabit fiber internet service with Presidio scheduled for completion this year.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The ALPINE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT will hold a public meeting at 5:30, Tuesday, June 29, 2022 in Alpine ISD Admin Board Room at 704 W. Sul Ross Ave Alpine, Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$.9429/\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	\$.20/\$100 (Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)
Approved by Local Voters	

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	% (increase) or	3.00% (decrease)
Debt service	% (increase) or	.0012% (decrease)
Total expenditures	% (increase) or	4.00% (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$893,460,510	\$1,037,724,319
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$17,578,755	\$26,099,733
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$675,058,974	\$783,005,700
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$16,678,023	\$25,452,333

- * "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
- ** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.
- *** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness: \$ 19,065,000
* Outstanding principal

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Local Revenue	State Revenue
Last Year's Rate	\$1.0024	\$0.210*	\$1.2124	\$7,863
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations				
Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$0.9300	\$0.20*	\$1.1300	\$7,617
Proposed Rate	\$0.9429	\$0.20*	\$1.1429	\$8,230

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$171,107	\$202,690
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$110,836	\$125,414
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.2124	\$1.1429
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$1,344	\$1,433
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$89

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Voter-Approval Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 0.9429 (M&O). This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the voter-approval rate of 0.9429.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$9,249,597
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$716,580

A school district may not increase the district's maintenance and operations tax rate to create a surplus in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the purpose of paying the district's debt service.

Jammin' at the library



Alpine and Terlingua based bluegrass band Calamity Creek enjoys performing favorite tunes at Alpine Public Library's 75th birthday and open house celebration on June 16. There were plenty of good times and an enjoyable evening with extended library hours as guests enjoyed light refreshments, live music, door prizes, and more.

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Petition filed urging mountain lion conservation

Texans for Mountain Lions has submitted a petition for rulemaking to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department urging action to conserve mountain lions in Texas. Organized in recent months, Texans for Mountain Lions is a coalition of landowners, biologists, and organizations working to improve the conservation status and scientific management of Texas' largest wild cat.

Mountain lions are a non-game species that can be trapped and hunted year-round in Texas without any harvest limits, hunting seasons, or any requirement to report harvest. As a result, mortality rates are among the highest in the country. Of 16 U.S. states with breeding mountain lion populations, Texas is the only state without regulated

management of mountain lions.

Historically found across Texas, mountain lion populations have been reduced to the harsh canyons and thick brush of South and West Texas. Research has been conducted on both populations with results that should concern all who treasure Texas' native wildlife.

During a study of 16 monitored cats in the protected landscape of Big Bend Ranch State Park, one was shot and all of the remaining 15 were killed in leg hold traps when they traveled onto private lands. Another study in the Davis Mountains recorded a nearly 50% annual mortality, almost entirely due to trapping. In South Texas, a study of 22 mountain lions in the 1990s also recorded high mortality due



to hunting and trapping.

On June 13 Texans for Mountain Lions submitted a petition for rulemaking to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department which requests population research, requiring harvest reporting, prohibiting canned hunting, and more. It also requested forming a stakeholder advisory group to establish a management plan for mountain lions in Texas.

This current effort to push for mountain lion

regulations is supported by a majority of Texans. In a recent survey on Texan attitudes towards mountain lions, 70% of respondents agreed that efforts should be made to ensure the survival of mountain lions in Texas. Similar responses were reported in a survey published in 2002.

Interested citizens who support the effort to manage mountain lions in Texas can go to the "Take Action" page at TexansforMountainLions.org.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT Jared Cobos-White

What activities are you involved in during your senior year?
I participated in computer science UIL.

Who has been your most influential teacher or coach through high school?
My most influential teacher would be Coach Valenzuela. He was the one to get me interested in computers even more, and helped me along the way through high school. He always believed in me, and always pushed me to succeed.

What was your favorite moment the last four years?
My favorite moment in the last four years



Jared Cobos-White would have to be the Talent Search Senior Trip where I and several classmates went to San Antonio, San Marcos, and Austin to tour colleges and go to Six Flags.

What are your plans after high school?
My plans after high school are to attend Midland College, and get my degree in computer information technology.

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Devotional Page Rejoice in the Lord always

BY ROBERT FIELDS
True Life Ministries

Rejoice in the Lord always (Philippians 4:4). Most would see this as telling us to be happy and cheerful in Christ.

However, I want to shed some light on what's really happening here. It's a very short verse, but so much hinges on it. The word rejoice in the Greek is *chiro*, which means, in this context, to "incline your heart towards." *Chiro* also comes from the same root word as *charis*, which means grace.

So this verse is literally saying to incline your hearts towards the Lord's grace always. The only way to accomplish this is by keeping our hearts and minds open to God, and not closed to Him.

Consider Cain. It's very likely he had a number of conversations about the time his parents used to live in the Garden of Eden, but was now cut off from it. Consider further that Cain felt in his heart that it was unfair for God to punish him by not allowing him to experience the beauty of the Garden, especially since he had nothing to do with his parents' sin.

Even though he continued to interact with God directly, his heart was not inclined towards Him. When Cain was preparing his offering to present to God, it's likely Cain was not compelled to give the best of his produce to God since He seemed to be holding back His best from him, unfairly. God

could see Cain's heart and its condition which is why God did not regard his offering. Cain was furious! Once again Cain could not understand God's harshness towards him. Imagine a child who feels that her mom is being unfair by not giving her what she wants. When her mom tries to console her with a hug, she physically turns her body away from her in a show of defiance.

That, I believe, was the condition of Cain's heart towards God. In fact, what is Cain's response to God when He calls him out on the murder of his brother? It wasn't repentance. It was, "My punishment is too great to bear!" (Gen 4:13)

Again, Cain is more focused on the perceived unfairness of God. Before Cain murdered Abel, God approached him with grace and words of wisdom. But because Cain's heart was not inclined towards Him and His grace, he refused to listen, and went his own way. This ended up disastrously.

Philippians 4:7 says God "will guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." Every action has its roots in our hearts and minds first. If we want to be guarded in Christ, we must first incline our hearts towards Him, even in our anger and pain. If we turn aside like an angry child, sin seeks to devour us. We may go through the motions of prayer, church attendance, Bible study, etc., but it will be empty.

Incline your hearts towards God's grace - always! So much hinges on this one command. Thanks, and God bless.

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By *Elizabeth J. Lewis*
Elizabeth J. Lewis, Attorney for Applicant

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David W. Keller, a senior project archaeologist with the Center, wrote the proposal to “source, sample, analyze and test historic adobes and local clay rich soils for use in projects at Fort Davis National Historic Site.”

The grant will fund the project in three phases. First, a range of samples will be collected and field tested or sent to a lab for analysis of grain size and mineral makeup. Second, adobe bricks will be made and tested for strength and durability, and then used to create plaster swatches that will be examined for adhesion, cracking, and abrasion resistance. Third, the best batches will be used for experiments, including jet tests to determine erosion resistance.

Keller expects to start the testing phase in about a month. While he said the project extends through February 2023, he believes it will be complete by the end of this year.

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It is a privilege to represent you in Congress.

If you run into issues with a federal agency, my staff and I are able to help. Here are a few things we are able to assist with.

- Passport Assistance
- Navigating Social Security benefits
- IRS claims
- Assistance applying for federal grants
- VA issues

I'm here to serve you. Please contact us at 210-806-9920 or online at Gonzales.House.Gov.