

Delinquent HOT funds continue to spark interest

BY ROXANNE HILL
Staff Writer

Collecting delinquent hotel occupancy taxes was again prominent at the Brewster County Commissioners Court regularly scheduled meeting on Sept. 13.



Commissioners Justin Bragiel heard a presentation by Austin attorney Justin Bragiel, general counsel of the Texas Hotel and Lodging Association, and Alpine attorney Rod Ponton spoke about enforcement options available to the county.

Ponton said there were more than 500 Airbnbs in the area not registered with the county as short-term rentals, including nontraditional lodging choices such as tents, teepees, storage units, and more. Bragiel, who handles an array of legal

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PLEASE REMEMBER TO THANK A VETERAN, A MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES, OR A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER EVERY DAY.



Staffing shortages impacting Alpine

Enrollment down at Sul Ross

BY ROXANNE HILL
Staff Writer

Staffing shortages across the nation and the state have posed significant problems for businesses struggling to find employees. Closer to home, business owners in Alpine are having a challenging time filling vacancies, whether in retail, restaurant, or other

er jobs that offer much needed services in the area.

Elizabeth Pena, executive director of the Sul Ross State University Small Business Development Center, sees this trend across the board and how it's impacting small businesses that need to fill positions.

"I think across the board it's very similar in

all communities, whether they are small or large," said Pena, who has been with the Center for 21 years. "One of those factors has to do with assistance that was given by the federal government during the pandemic, so people found other avenues to make a living. They either started a business, left town, or



Elizabeth Pena

just completely got off the job market and decided to stay home, either because of childcare, or it was just more cost effective for them to stay home."

Further, many of those employment positions are geared toward younger, college-age adults, and Pena sees a trend she noticed even with her own adult children, who look for

several factors in an employment position. Flexible hours, working from home, and other perks that were not the norm years ago are just some of the qualities these young job seekers look for.

Business owner Irma Campbell said fewer employees have applied for positions at McDonald's

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We will never forget



A memorial ceremony was held at the Alpine Border Patrol Station on Sunday to honor those lost on Sept. 11, 2001, on the 21st anniversary of the event. Alpine Station has a direct connection to the terrorist attacks on 9/11 as there was a ground-breaking ceremony that fateful day for the station building. Ten years later, a memorial using a piece of steel from the World Trade Center Towers was erected.

Avalanche photo by Gail Diane Yovanovich

Sul Ross Rodeo Team looking for 10th national title

BY GAIL DIANE YOVANOVICH
Managing Editor

The Sul Ross State University Rodeo Team is on a quest for its 10th title. In the history of the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association, the team has claimed nine team national championships.

The rodeo team kicks the gate open on its 2022-2023 season in Portales, N.M., on Sept. 15-17 for Eastern New Mexico College Daze Rodeo. The following week, the Lobos host the 77th annual Sul Ross State University College Rodeo Sept. 22-24 at the SALE arena in Alpine.

"We've got a very talented team this year with a lot of depth, which we haven't had," said rodeo team Head Coach CJ Aragon. "In the past we've had some really

good kids, but this year we're very deep with talented athletes."

He expects 17 teams from the Southwest Region that includes West Texas and eastern New Mexico. All three rodeo performances will be broadcast on the Cowboy Channel.

Aragon noted the 2021 event was the largest college rodeo ever hosted at Sul Ross, and he anticipates that it will be even bigger this year.

"It's the largest sporting event held in Brewster County every year," said Aragon.

Aragon is in his fifth year as rodeo coach, and he bragged on his charges, saying, "We have students who have claimed three national championships on the team, and a bunch of other students who have competed at the College



Cole Franks claimed two National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association National Championships in 2021 while rodeoing for Clarendon College. In 2021 Franks finished fourth in the PRCA Bareback World Standings.

National Finals Rodeo, or at a high level professionally."

This year's event will feature a tailgating area

to set up a tent or a barbecue pit for a fee.

To add to the excitement, on Tuesday, Sept. 20, at 5:30 p.m., the Sul

Ross rodeo team will drive cattle through the Alpine campus.

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OBITUARIES

Orlando Espinosa

Orlando Espinosa, 67, of Pflugerville, Texas, passed away unexpectedly on Sept. 5, 2022, in his hometown of Alpine, Texas, at Big Bend Regional Hospital. As many of you know, Orlando was a devout Catholic, and prayed his rosary daily. Please pray for the repose of his soul.

As one friend mentioned, "God needed an angel," and called him home.

The Rosary was held on Sept. 8, 2022, at Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church in Alpine.

Funeral services were



held at 10 a.m. on Sept. 9, 2022, at Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church in Alpine. Burial followed at Holy Angels Cemetery.

Orlando was born in Alpine to Francisco and Isabel Espinosa on Oct. 29, 1954. He grew up and went to school in Alpine. He married Clara Espinosa

in December 2008 in a surprise wedding in Corpus Christi, Texas, at Clara's family holiday event, a second marriage for both. He graduated from Sul Ross State University and Angelo State University.

For over 30 years, Orlando worked as a pharmaceutical research scientist at Cedra Corporation, which later became Worldwide Clinical Trials. He assisted in several drug developments, and is published in some prestigious medical journals. After retiring, Orlando devoted a few years at Pflugerville

ISD, and most currently part-time at St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church in Pflugerville.

Orlando was preceded in death by his parents, Francisco and Isabel Espinosa.

Orlando is survived by his wife Clara Espinosa; his son Xavier (Valerie) Espinosa; his stepson Sam (Marisol) Martinez; his brother Alonso (Gloria) Espinosa; sisters Virginia Lujan, Irma (Julian) Ramirez, Rosanna Mancha, and Annabelle Rubio; his grandchildren Matthew Puente, Jaelynn Espinosa, Jonavon Espinosa, and Jeremiah Es-

pinosa; step-grandchildren Leo and Logan Martinez; and numerous nieces and nephews whom he loved dearly and would read stories to, right hojeps!

Pallbearers were Xavier Espinosa, Matthew Espinosa, Rick Molinar, Frank Villanueva, Dominic Rubio, and Michael Espinosa. Honorary pallbearers were Adolfo Mancha, Gabriel Portillo, Julian Ramirez, Arturo Yanez, Oscar Olazaba, and Camilo Celaya.

The family wishes to extend our sincere thanks to Alpine Emergency Services, the wonderful staff at Big Bend Regional Medical Center, especially the nurses, Alpine Memorial Funeral Home, and Deborah Pruitt of Double K Flowers and Gifts.

Services were entrusted to Alpine Memorial Funeral Home.

Online condolences can be left at alpinememorialfuneralhome.com.

Richard Glenn Allen

Richard Glenn Allen, born Aug. 19, 1949, died Sept. 6, 2022, in his home in Marathon, Texas. Richard was an artist and an engineer, an inventor, and a dreamer - a true renaissance man. He spent his last years in quiet contemplation, and passed content



with his life and secure in his beliefs.

He leaves behind his beloved Nelda Ortiz, and the generations of children that they cared for including Joshua Allen, Michelle Fleming, Jonathan Kringen, Ruben Ortiz, Veronica Lozano, and Crespín Ortiz. He is also survived by his mother, Betty Allen; and his sisters Cathy and Jerri Allen.

Services were held for Richard at Alpine Memorial Funeral Home on Sept. 13-14, 2022.

Online condolences may be left at alpinememorialfuneralhome.com.

Services have been entrusted to Alpine Memorial Funeral Home in Alpine, Texas.

Harald "Harry" Mois

Alpine, Texas, resident and beloved owner of Harry's Tinaja, Harald "Harry" Mois, died at his home on Sept. 2. He was 61 years of age.

The oldest child and only son of Rudolf and Paula Mois, Harry was born in Schwandorf, Germany, and was raised in Dettmannsdorf, Germany.

Hard work and an adventurous spirit led Harry's unique life. He began his professional journey as a brewmaster apprentice at the brewery Schmidt Bräu in Schwandorf, Germany. From there he traveled to Denmark and worked as brewmaster at Maribo Bryghus. Berlin, Germany, was his home as well shortly after, where he was brewmaster at Berliner Kindl.

Throughout this time Harry was an avid motorcyclist, traveling throughout Europe and into Africa, sometimes with the Silkeborg Motorcycle club, and with also the Boxerfreunde Oder/OPF motorcycle club, of which he was a

founding member.

Harry traveled to the U.S. by way of the Marquesas Islands and settled in Alpine in 1999. In Alpine, he made his mark with the Edelweiss Restaurant and Brewery in 2005 which he opened with Tresa Mois, his first wife and mother of his son Michael. Residents of Alpine and tourists alike were drawn to the German comfort food and beer, and to this day wish they could get another taste of his Alpine Blonde lager.

In July 2007 Harry opened his bar Harry's Tinaja, which quickly became a home away from home for locals. Harry had an uncanny and perhaps unmatched ability to bring people of all walks of life together in merriment. He hosted baby showers, bachelor and bachelorette parties, birthdays, retirements, and, of course, all the important sporting events, always supported by a loyal team of bartenders whom he loved in his "rough around the edges" way. Alpine folks could count on Harry for helping with fund raisers and sup-

porting the town in times of grief. He was a steadfast member of the community, and was devoted to his regulars.

In time, Harry's Tinaja became an iconic emblem of the Big Bend. Travelers from all over the world made a point to stop in for a beer on the way to Big Bend National Park, Marfa, or on their way west or east via I-10, thanks to regular mentions in publications such as Texas Monthly, who described his watering hole in ways that evoked the mystique of the Wild West.

At the Tinaja, patrons could count on Harry's welcome, "at least once," and enjoy live music of all varieties, most often from local musicians who Harry knew well. Visitors and the Tinaja family remember Harry's unique, engaging storytelling skills made extra special by his Bavarian accent.

Harry's Tinaja itself is a museum of artifacts that represents the lives and personalities of the Tri-County and beyond thanks to Harry's encouragement

and enthusiasm for displaying anything and everything that his patrons felt would fit. He was a quirky curator, an appreciator of American life in all its manifestations. He took pride in supporting his town's residents in this way and further. His bar was often described as the unofficial Chamber of Commerce, and everyone knew if they needed advice on any subject they could count on Harry.

Harry is survived by his pride and joy, his only son, Michael Mois, of Midland, Texas; his sister Gabriele Mois; and nephew Patrick Homig of Schwandorf, Germany.

Harry's absence is felt by the entire community. His son and the Tinaja family would like to thank the Tri-County residents and many others for their condolences and support. A celebration of Harry's life will occur at a later date.

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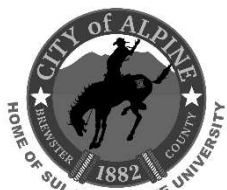
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1999	Ford	Explorer	1FMZU32E3XA96570
2010	Ford	Escape	1FMCU0DG2AKA8613
2010	Nissan	Titan	1N6BA0ED3AN313708
2001	Chevrolet	Suburban	3GNEC16T61G194963
2010	Ford	F-150	1FTFW1EV0AFB62597
2008	Chevrolet	Silverado	1GCEC19X58Z329643
2010	Nissan	Pathfinder	5N1AR1NN3AC621488
2015	Nissan	Rouge	5N1AT2MT6FC895668
2015	Chevrolet	Silverado	3GCPREC6FG148283
2013	Chevrolet	Silverado	3GCPCE0XDG183435
2012	Mazda	3	JM1BL1V7XC1578634
2011	Ford	F-250	1FT7W2A63BEA94490
2014	Chevrolet	Malibu	1G11B5SL2EF188035
2001	Ford	F-250	1FTSW21R88EA44813

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It's a family of summer readers



Eliza and Wyatt Staton were the top summer readers in the Alpine Public Library's summer reading challenge this year. In the photo, Wyatt and Eliza pose with Children's Librarian Mary Beth Garrett.

Courtesy photo

Storm damaged park roads and trails reopen

Many of the primitive dirt roads and a portion of the paved Ross Maxwell Scenic Drive and Lost Mine Trail at Big Bend National Park have reopened following damage from heavy monsoon rains. High water flows are expected along the Rio Grande.

Gear gets athletes in shape at Sul Ross

BY BETH PEABODY
Contributing Writer

Monrovia, Liberia, West Africa, was a beautiful place to grow up. Lush green trees and wild game populated the bush, and the Atlantic Ocean and Mesurado River supplied endless fish. Far from the cities, families lived in very tight villages for community and safety.

For Williton Gear, living in the country of Monrovia was simple, but not easy.

"We had to scratch for every penny," said Gear. "There was a low literacy rate, there were no free schools.

As a child, danger was very real. Beyond their cluster of red clay homes were animals that could carry them off.

"We played soccer in the center of the village with plastic bags wrapped up with rubber bands," Gear laughed, describing his childhood.

"It was pretty good until the fighting got worse." Gear's voice changed. Life became a terrifying time of uncertainty for Gear's entire family.

For years, threats grew, and fear intensified until at last they found their names on the refugee list of people leaving for the U.S. Seven-year-old Gear, his parents, and five siblings were sent to Austin, where they attended school, and adapted to the language, junk food, and football.

His senior year at Del Valle High School, Gear was recruited by Sul Ross State University, and he happily accepted. Under the mentorship of Coach John Pearce, playing college ball and studying kinesiology became more focused and purposeful until he graduated in spring 2020.

Pursuing his masters



Williton Gear

degree, Gear volunteered as assistant coach under Pearce. On August 11, Sul Ross officially hired Gear as the new head strength and conditioning coach.

"Slow feet don't eat," said Gear, running right alongside the athletes he coaches. "I know these players are away from their parents, and I try to show them that I care, and really want to help them. My vision is to build their endurance, with a competitive attitude to excel their mindset in the classroom and conditioning their bodies in the gym."

Gear pushes himself to model being a good person first, an encouraging friend and player, an achieving student, and the best athlete for the team.

"We're only as strong as our weakest link," Gear reminded his play-

ers, emphasizing the importance of slowing down in practice, and focusing on correct form.

"Development does matter to become fast and explosive," said Gear.

Remembering his roots and the struggle, Gear talked about personal growth and motivating the teams he works with, saying, "To maximize their gains, I have to help them with nutrition, yoga, stretching, form, agility drills, hard work, and attitude. I feel like a fraud if I don't give them 100% of me."

Through the National Strength and Conditioning Association, learning from other coaches, and studying technique and leadership, Gear is always seeking to improve, and it is clear his athletes benefit from his coaching.

Harveson named associate provost

Dr. Louis A. Harveson, founder and director of Borderlands Research Institute, has been named the Associate Provost of Research and Development at Sul Ross State University.



Dr. Louis Harveson

"I've been fortunate to spend the last 24 years of my professional career at Sul Ross State University, and I'm humbled to be asked to take on the duties of Associate Provost of Research and Development," said Harveson. "Research is fundamental to what defines a university. It's a place for scientific exploration and inquiry. This is especially true in the STEM fields, and I'm thrilled to take on this new role."

In addition to leading BRI, for which he holds the Dan Allen Hughes, Jr., Endowed Directorship, Harveson has been on the Sul Ross faculty since 1998. His research has focused on the ecology and management of large mammals, upland game birds, and predators in the borderlands of Texas-Mexico, including the Gulf Coast Prairies, South Texas Brush Country, and the Trans-Pecos Mountains and Basins, while advocating for the conservation of natural resources on private lands.

Harveson received a

Bachelor of Science in Wildlife Management from Texas Tech University and a Master of Science in Range and Wildlife Management from

Texas A&M University-Kingsville. He received his doctorate in Wildlife Science from the Joint PhD program at Texas A&M University-Kingsville and Texas A&M University. He has mentored 68 graduate and doctoral students while securing more than \$25 million in grants and gifts, and published more than 75 manuscripts, and over 50 popular articles.

This position provides general oversight of the university's research directors at BRI, the Center for Big Bend Studies, and the Rio Grande Research Center on Sul Ross campuses.

"I think you'd be surprised to see how many papers and books are published by our faculty. From a research standpoint, Sul Ross faculty absolutely fight above their weight class," said Harveson. "I'm excited to work closer with my colleagues across Sul Ross to help coordinate and grow research initiatives in the fields of natural resources, archeology, geology and biology."

For more information, email louis.harveson@sulross.edu.

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Correction

In the Sept. 8 issue on page 6, the City of Alpine has a contract with Big Bend Regional Medical Center for 911 calls only.

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No, I keep my money under my mattress, and I don't use credit cards 7% (6 votes)

Total votes: 92

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Now the Avalanche asks:

Are you active on social media sites?

- Yes, I have accounts with several social media sites, and I check them throughout the day.
- Yes, but I limit myself to one or two social media sites that I check when I have time.
- Yes, but I check them only occasionally.
- No, I have no interest in social media.

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

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Tough love



ELEAZAR CANO
Brewster County Judge

When one thinks of effective leadership, the word “love” rarely comes to mind. It’s hard to believe that it has been almost 10 years since I was submitting pieces to various news outlets related to why I felt I would be a good candidate for Brewster County Judge. My basic premise was that while I did not have the experience being involved with local government, I was very well versed at relationship building. As it turns out, that skill set has proven to be my most valuable asset throughout my tenure. With this contribution, I am hoping that my successor, whomever it may be, consider this a pre-emptive map, if you will, to help guide him and the county in a steady and productive manner. I am not proclaiming to be self-actualized, but rather a little weathered and hopefully a little wiser than I was eight years ago.

Formulating a consensus among adults can be difficult and, at times, intimidating. But we all know people who appear to be naturals. They balance bustling social calendars, glide easily into conversations with strangers, and seem to get invited to everybody’s wedding. Research shows that these social butterflies really exist. Not only are these personality types better at forming new relationships, but they also view their friendships as closer and more enduring. Their attachment to others seems a lot more personal and genuine. Attachment is the gut feeling we project onto ambiguity in

our interactions. It’s driven not by a cool assessment of events, but rather by the collapsing of time, the superimposition of the past onto the present. To gain more control over our social worlds, it would behoove us to understand our attachment style. According to attachment theory, there are three major attachment styles - secure, anxious, and avoidant. People who are anxiously attached assume that others will abandon them - so they cling, or try too hard to accommodate others, or plunge into intimacy too rapidly. Anxious people are so vigilant for dismissal that they register cues of it while ignoring signals of their acceptance. Avoidant attached people are similarly afraid of abandonment. However, instead of clinging, they keep others at a distance. People with avoidant attachment may end up

pushing others away for fear of rejection. Research finds that avoidant and anxiously attached people are more likely to end collaboration and negotiations prematurely. Secure people assume that they are worthy of love, and that others can be trusted to give it to them. When secure people assume that others like them, this is a self-fulfilling prophecy termed “the acceptance prophecy.” Overall, research reveals one of the most important secrets to taking initiative in consensus building. Assume that people like you. Want to reconnect with someone you’ve fallen out of touch with? Assume they’re in. When we make this assumption, initiative feels less scary. We’re more likely to take some leaps of faith, and eventually navigate the consensus building process, and life, with more peace, pleasure, and security.

Time to rein in government agencies with political agendas



JAMES OLIVER
Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association

By now, many of you have heard about the Securities and Exchange Commission’s plan to require publicly traded companies to disclose their greenhouse gas emissions. The proposed rule, issued earlier this year, requires these companies to disclose not only direct and energy-related emissions, but also those of every downstream supplier, known as Scope 3 Emissions. As you might imagine, this presents significant concerns for cattle producers who find themselves in the supply chain of many publicly traded companies, restaurants, and retailers. The federal government has already acknowledged collecting the data will be nearly impossible. There is also no agreed-upon scientific method for measuring agricultural greenhouse gas emissions, particularly from livestock in a pasture. Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association and many other agricultural organizations raised an army of opposition to the proposed rule during the commission’s com-

ment period. Although not yet finalized, the agency is continuing to advance its proposal to regulate greenhouse gas emissions. The SEC’s actions highlight a growing and troubling trend - federal agencies actively working to achieve political agendas. Activists and politicians are increasingly using the power of executive orders and administrative rule making to bypass the legislative branch, and create regulations that would not pass Congress. It’s easy to understand the reasoning, especially since navigating Congress is so challenging today. Unfortunately, the officials who lead these government agencies are appointed, not elected. By circumventing our elected representatives in Washington, D.C., they also circumvent the citizens who elected them.

Fortunately, the U.S. Supreme Court and many legislators are growing tired of these tactics. This summer, the Supreme Court struck back at the Environmental Protection Agency for overstepping its rule making authority, emphasizing that “administrative agencies must be able to point to ‘clear congressional authorization’ when they claim the power to make decisions of vast ‘economic and political significance.’” Congress is also fighting back. In the case of the SEC’s greenhouse gas reporting plan, several bills have been filed to expressly limit the commission’s authority to implement such reporting requirements. One of the latest bills, the Scope 3 Act filed by Texas Congressman Troy Nehls, has broad bipartisan support. Co-sponsors from Texas include Reps. Henry Cuellar, D-Laredo; Jake Ellzey, R-Midlothian; Vicente Gonzalez, D-McAllen; Ronny Jackson, R-Amarillo; Pete Sessions, R-Waco; Randy Weber, R-Alvin; and Roger Williams, R-Austin.

Despite the growing headwinds, the current administration and agency officials show few signs of abandoning their current efforts. The SEC continues to march forward with its reporting requirements, and a wide range of proposed rules at other agencies continue to advance, as well. Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association will continue to fight the burdensome and unrealistic regulations cropping up at government agencies, but Congressional action will also be critical. As you head to the polls this November, please make sure you know where the candidates stand on these regulatory issues. More importantly, though, consider their stance on the ability of regulatory agencies to pursue political agendas without the “clear congressional approval” noted by the Supreme Court. The decisions we make this November will have lasting implications on our ability to continue raising cattle and caring for our land.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Never forget

Once again the Alpine Border Patrol Station put on a moving 9/11 memorial, but only 37 citizens were on hand to show their respect on this solemn, historic occasion. About 40 Border Patrol

agents were in attendance, including their Honor Guard, off duty agents, DHS/HSI agents, the Big Bend Area Law Enforcement Officers Association president, and our EMS provider Emergent Air, and Alpine Volunteer Fire Department. Notably

absent were county and city law enforcement representatives, and officials from the City of Alpine. While the events of 9/11 may have occurred 21 years ago, the significance of that day has not diminished. Could it be that America is

minimizing the importance of remembering history? December 7, “A date which will live in infamy,” is now only remembered by past generations. Will “9/11, never forget” suffer the same fate?
Jim Westermann
Alpine

Destructive agendas

None so blind as those who will not see that the party of John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King, Jr., no longer exist. It’s now a party that condemns millions like me

who call them out for what they really are. A party that demands DOJ and judicial corruption which promotes crime, election fraud, illegal immigration, and corrupt education with racist agendas. One that undermines

families, dislikes Christians, and performs a thousand daily abortions. Hatred of the First and Second amendments while promoting drug use also defines them. Their leaders jeopardize the U.S. with climate change non-

sense, massive supplies of inflationary dollars, and a weak military. The time for change has come. Please help me to open the eyes of those who will not see.
James R. Le Blanc
Fort Davis



Heard on the STREET

What was your first job?



Gisselle Rueda, Alpine: My very first job was a food service job at Rosas Cafe restaurant in Midland. I remember being super awkward about it because it was my very first job as a freshly turned 16-year-old. But it was a really good experience, and I learned new things, and it gave me a start to what the workforce is like.



Vernon Tucker, Alpine: I worked for my grandfather in construction. But my first real job was Sonic here in Alpine while I was still in high school.



Lisa Garcia, Alpine: I remember it well - Baskin-Robbins ice cream. I was 15 because you could be 15 back then. I was an ice cream scooper.



Kolter Henderson, Alpine: I was a farmhand over by Lubbock.



Debbie Nance, Terlingua: Selling ice cream cones. It was in Eldorado, Illinois. The people that I worked for had a little trailer, so during the season you'd make ice cream cones.

Send your community events to editor@alpineavalanche.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Co-ed Softball Tournament, sponsored by AHS Project Graduation 2023 at Centennial Field in Alpine, 500 S. 11th St. Teams must be registered by Sept. 21. Call Melissa O'Bryant 432-386-6224 for more information.

OCT. 14

Fish Fry, 5-7 p.m. at American Legion Post 79, 306 W. Sul Ross Ave. All proceeds benefit Sul Ross State University athletics.

OCT. 14-16

Open Days, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at Davis Mountain Preserve in Fort Davis. Open for hiking, biking, equestrian, picnics, photogra-



phy, birding, and other outdoor activities, including overnight camping options. To register go to nature.org.

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 BBT conference room, 5th St. and Brown St.

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 bbc-chorale.wixsite.com/bbcc.

Citizenship Classes, at Alpine Public Library by appointment only, 805 W. Ave. E. 432-837-2621

Fort Davis State Bank celebrates 25th



On Sept. 6 Fort Davis State Bank in Alpine celebrated its 25th anniversary. Employees marked the occasion with a cupcake tree and refreshments.

Courtesy photo

Tea on the Terrace returns

The popular series at the Jeff Davis County Library, Tea on the Terrace, will return to celebrate the autumn season on Wednesday, Sept. 21, at 11 a.m. Special guest Patrick

Manian of Presidio will demonstrate an authentic tradition of a traditional tea ceremony.

Learn about the health benefits of a variety of teas, and the calming effect of

the tea ceremony. This free program at the library in Fort Davis is sponsored by Friends of the Library, and will take place indoors.

Phone 432-426 3802 for more information.

PET OF THE WEEK

Alpine Humane Society Pet of the Week is Bugs, a beautiful adult male orange and white tabby. He is a very quiet, laid-back kind of cat. He prefers to spend his days lying around or curled under a blanket. Although he is a bit independent, he does enjoy being petted. He would prefer a quiet home with less traffic and more places to curl up and nap, possibly a lap. Visit him at the Alpine Animal Shelter and adopt him today.



The Alpine Humane Society Thrift Store and Cattery is open daily except Sundays. When you donate items to the store or shop, you support AHS's mission. The store revenue is our organization's most significant source of income, allowing us to provide low-cost spay/neuter services, vaccines, and veterinary care for owned pets, as well as dogs and cats in the Alpine Animal Shelter.

store cannot take mattresses, box springs, vehicle baby seats, dirty or damaged clothing, or outdated electronics and computers.

Alpine Animal Services handles pet adoptions at the city shelter, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 2-6 p.m. Monday through Friday at 2900 East Old Marathon Highway. Cats and kittens are also available for adoption at the AHS Cattery, located in our Thrift Store.

Donated items in good, clean, and saleable condition are accepted during store hours. However, the

The Alpine Humane Society Thrift Store and Cattery is at 706 North Fifth Street in Alpine, open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. For information about shelter pet adoptions, cremation

services, or lost/found pets, call the Shelter at 432-837-9030. To view adoptable pets, visit PetFinder.com or alpinehumanesociety.org.

Pollinator workshop to be held at CDRI

CDRI will host a pollinator workshop on Saturday, Sept. 17, starting at 9:30 a.m. The workshop will be held at the Powell Visitor Center. Admission is free, and this workshop counts as advanced education credit hours for Texas Master Naturalists.

After her presentation, guests will be invited to visit the pollinator garden with her to discover the different bees that are in abundance at the CDRI Botanical Gardens. Bring binoculars, or CDRI has loaners available.

Cynthia McAlister will present the pro-

gram. Call 432-364-2499 or email programs@cdri.org to attend.

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Alpine Municipal Court announces the Quarterly Warrant Roundup. Individuals on the following list are requested to contact the court and resolve their citation matter before September 21, 2022. Citizens may voluntarily take care of their citations without concern of being arrested before this date. If your name is not on the list, but you are not sure if you have an outstanding citation with Municipal Court, please call 432-837-0808 or send an email to court.clerk@ci.alpine.tx.us.

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THE FIRES ON DOLORES' MOUNTAIN

The mountain where Dolores mourned her lover
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She trudged up to the peak
South of Fort Davis, Texas, each Thursday night
With firewood or a hatchet
To stoke the blaze and show
How much she mourned Jose.
Folks who claimed to know
Said she was driven mad by the shock of learning
That he, tending sheep
The night before their wedding, was scalped and murdered
By Mescaleros. To keep
Her promise and do something praiseworthy
For him, she made her way
To the breezy top and lit
The first fire. People
Soon came to know that it
Was she who wore a trail from the settlement west
To the mountainside,
And in the 1860's a broken heart
Or even a broken mind
Was a good enough excuse.
Misunderstood, I feel, she gathered wood
And matches and became
A legend no one bothered,
For there could be no blame
Attached to this.
Today the mountain seems to stand for them, the star-
Crossed couple, and when you drive or hike
Dolores' Trail, you see how far
She had to go those solitary nights,
Aiming for the light
To show there was no counting
Stars or the love that burned
In the fires on Dolores' Mountain.

From
*"The Purity of Jazz and Speckled Trout
and Other Prose and Poetry"*
by James R. Campbell.

HOT • FROM 1

and legislative issues, directs the association's legal and governmental affairs team, and frequently addresses local governments.

Bragiel said the lodging association has a long-standing partnership with Brewster County, the Tourism Council, and everything related to the lodging industry, and it is familiar with the Trans-Pecos, particularly South County.

"It's unfortunate that tax compliance is often lagging," noted Bragiel.

"That is something our greater industry really abhors. We have those that are playing by the rules and collecting and remitting taxes, and then folks who are not, and that's just not fair."

Bragiel went on to explain the process counties can utilize under current state law to collect local hotel tax revenue, saying, "Under state law, there is a 5% penalty for any unpaid hotel taxes, so if back taxes are collected, you will be able to collect a 5% penalty

and 10% interest for all those you go after."

Bragiel said he is also planning to prioritize and propose a bill in the Texas Legislature for the upcoming 2023 session that would apply to counties statewide, and allow counties to use up to 1%, or \$75,000, whichever is less, of their hotel tax revenues for an electronic tax collection system. He was hopeful it would increase tax payment compliance in the long term. This is something cities have been using

since 2015, but Bragiel said he would be vying for counties.

However, Commissioner, Pct. 3, Ruben Ortega suggested the collection agency issue be put out for bids or proposals from others that may have an interest, and implied this would delay implementing a collection program even further.

County Judge Eleazar Cano agreed with Ortega and with Commissioner, Pct. 2, Sara Allen Colando's suggestion to re-

quest that bidders comply with the county's requests on specifics related to the unpaid HOT funds collection process.

In other business, the court discussed the information only item regarding the possibility of enacting an ordinance prohibiting engine-exhaust braking systems while operating a motor vehicle in the county. After discussion among Cano and the commissioners, County Attorney Steve Houston, and others in attendance, Col-

ando concluded after a virtual consultation with attorney Jim Allison, general counsel for the County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas, counties do not have the legal authority to adopt an engine brake ordinance or any other type of noise restriction.

The next regularly scheduled county commissioner's court meeting is set for Tuesday, Sept. 27, at 9:30 a.m. in the commissioner's court room and via Facebook Live.

Serving law enforcement

On Sept. 10, Alpine Memorial Funeral Home hosted a luncheon for local law enforcement officers. In the photo, Larry Cordova and Lea Catano of the funeral home stand with El Paso Community College Police officers Sgt. Abelardo Soto and Lt. Michael Guzman, and in front, Alpine Police Department Chief Darrell Losoya and officers Karina Legarreta and Lindy Montgomery.

Avalanche photo by Gail Diane Yovanovich



RODEO • FROM 1

Some rodeo student athletes to watch include Tristen Hutchings, the 2021 College National Champion Bull Rider and the 2022 Reserve National Champion Bull Rider, along with Cole Franks, the 2021 College National Finals All-Around and Bareback riding National Champion. He and last year finished fourth in the Professional Cowboys

Rodeo Association World Standings.

Brandon Lansford was the 2018 Junior National Finals Rodeo Champion Saddle Bronc Rider.

Blake Bentley is a 4-time CNFR Qualifier, and looks to return to the CNFR roping with Kade Smith this year. Smith qualified for the 2022 College National Finals wearing the red Sul Ross vest.

Mason Pitts was on the 2022 College National Finals Rodeo Team, and Will Eddleman placed third in team roping at the 2021 College National Finals Rodeo roping with Sul Ross graduate Garrett Jacobs.

Coby Johnson finished third in bull riding at the 2019 College National Finals Rodeo, and Hannah Martin qualified for the CNFR in the COVID-

shortened 2020 season.

Makiya Bond is a NIRA Scholar All-American, and a tough break-away roper and goat tier, and Abbie Shofner is a two-time CNFR qualifier.

Wrapping up the lineup is Rocky Rodriguez, one of the top returners on the Sul Ross Rodeo Team in the goat tying, and Faith John also an NIRA Scholar All-American.

JOBS • FROM 1

now, even with college students, than in years past, especially post-COVID.

"The market is very competitive right now, so I have not received as many as I did before," said Campbell, who traditionally also employs high school students at her restaurant.

Kim Claiborne, owner of Out West Feed & Supply in Alpine, said she now sees more college students applying for part-time positions, rather than full-time.

"We don't have as many full-time employees as we used to, and we have also had to increase pay in order to keep people," said Claiborne. "It's been a big deal. Normally, base pay would start at a certain rate, and I have to increase that just to basically get people

hired. You can't afford to just live on what normally two years ago people could. So that has been a big factor in keeping people employed."

At the university Institutional Research office, the student enrollment numbers for the fall 2022 semester were at 1,340 students. Betse Esparza, director of University Communications, added, "The Fall 2022 total is preliminary, and not yet certified or reported to the state or the Texas State University System, though a significant change is not expected."

In comparison to previous years, fall 2016 enrollment was 2,071 students, with a significant decline three years later in 2019, with 1,644 students, an approximate 25% decrease.

Carol Morrow, of real

estate agency Forever West Texas-Keller Williams, has also said that specifically for those clients employed by the U.S. Border Patrol/Department of Justice, it has recently been impacting the housing market.

"It has slowed down a little bit the past month," said Morrow. "Probably since July and August, it's been a slow down."

According to Pena, the job market will continue to suffer after employees have stayed home the past couple of years while they get back into the job market.

"They are behind on getting back into the groove of being an employee," she said. "They are not on their own time anymore, so employers are going to have to be cognizant of that, and

be tolerant and helpful, and offer training and resources for workers to stay at that particular business long term."

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE CITY OF ALPINE THAT A CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD AT 5:30 P.M. ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2022 REGARDING:

ORDINANCE 2022-09-01: THE SECOND AND FINAL READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2021- 2022 BUDGET.

THE CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2022 AT 5:30 P.M.** AT CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS LOCATED AT 803 WEST HOLLAND AVENUE TO HEAR CITIZEN VIEWS AND COMMENTS CONCERNING THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE.

COPIES OF THE ORDINANCE ARE AVAILABLE AT CITY HALL, 100 N. 13TH STREET, DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS BETWEEN 8:00 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M. AND 1:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M. COPIES MAY ALSO BE OBTAINED BY EMAILING CITY.SECRETARY@CLALPINE.TX.US. QUESTIONS MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY AT 432-837-3301, OPTION 1.

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December 22, 1944

Cpl. Eduardo Valenzuela of Alpine, serving with an infantry unit in Italy, has been awarded a Bronze Star medal for heroic achievement in combat last June 4, his wife, the former Juanita Salcido of Alpine, has been advised.

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September 20, 1946

New growth coming up from pecan stump

Dear Neil: We need some help identifying and controlling this wild growth. It originated where we had a non-producing pecan cut to the ground last winter. It came up in the spring, and has grown more rapidly than anything we have ever seen. Should we dig it up and trash it, or will it turn into something desirable?

If it came up where you cut a pecan to the ground, there's about a 100% chance that it is a sprout from that tree's rootstock. When trees are cut back or broken off and still have healthy root systems, it is very common for them to send out extremely vigorous new shoots. This is basically going to be a native pecan if that's the case, probably the same non-producing tree that you tried to remove. Trace this new shoot back into the soil. If it appears

GARDENER'S MAILBAG
by neil sperry

to be coming from a bigger stump, and if you wanted to kill the whole thing out, you could drill into that stump and pour a broadleafed weedkiller (containing 2, 4-D) directly into the hole that you have made. The best time to do that would be very early spring.

Dear Neil: We live in one of the areas that has not received excessive rain, but our grass has developed yellowed areas. What is wrong and what do I need to do?

If it were April, I would be thinking this is probably take all root rot. It's a cool-season (generally spring) fungal disease that attacks the grass roots causing them to be shortened and very dark. I've seen it hit in September and October, so you probably ought to check to be sure. Gray leaf spot gives somewhat the same symptoms, but it generally attacks during the hot weather of July and August. It's more likely that fungus still hanging around. Gray leaf spot is greatly accelerated by applications of nitrogen fertilizer during hot weather. That's what prompts our warnings not to feed St. Augustine between mid-June and early September. The fungicide Azoxystrobin is labeled to control both diseases, making at least that part of the diagnosis a bit easier.

Dear Neil: Several of

our trees, a couple of them quite tall, are losing an excessive amount of bark. It is chipping off, and falling onto the grass below. Is this an indicator of a problem, or just a seasonal issue?

It could be either. The extreme cold of February 2021 caused what is known by professionals as radial shake. Bark ruptured following the cold



Probably pecan sprouting up from stump.

much like a windshield will crack when a stone is exposed to very rapid warm-up on a frosty morning. Subsequently, bark has popped loose from the trunks of oaks and a few other species, and many of those damaged trees have fallen or been taken out. From another standpoint, bark is a dead tissue, so as a tree grows, its bark sloughs off

in small pieces. That's normal. The best indicators of whether you have a problem is the density of the leaf canopy and whether you see new bark forming beneath the old bark.

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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6 TXism: "tight as a cinch on ___ _ horse"

7 early saying: "___ _ to Texas"

8 TXism: "don't give a hoot ___ _ holler"

9 ex-owner of the Houston Oilers

17 TXism: "joined his shadow in the dirt"

19 hard-to-get-rid-of part of TX Pantex's old warheads

21 TXism: "that'll ___ _ nicely"

22 "three," in Mexico

23 TX Dennis Quaid 1999 film: "___ _ The Wheel"

24 this David starred in TV film "Silhouette" set in a TX town

30 how TX cattle are sold

34 ___ Pepper

35 TXism: "mad ___ _ -eyed cow"

36 TXism: "___ _ to" (intend)

37 TXism: "it's root hog ___ _"

39 what some call the Cowboys (2 wds.)

43 TX Pride's "My Eyes Can See Only As ___ _ You"

44 TXism: "want it ___ _ could spit"

DOWN

1 TXism: "___ _ bones" (skinny)

2 TXism: "build a fence ___ _ you buy cattle" (plan)

3 he was "Hawkeye Pierce" (2 wds.)

4 TX Ross met Margot Perot on a blind ___ _

9 TX Clyde's love, TX Bonnie (init.)

10 utmost or best

11 Palo ___ Canyon

12 ___-gallon hat

13 TXism: "gave him a ___ _ his own medicine"

14 TXism: "got ___ itchy trigger finger"

15 TX Chuck Norris film: "___ 2" (abbr.)

16 solar time pieces

18 neighboring state

20 "I have to get ___ _" (early to bed)

24 ex-Maverick coach Aduabato (init.)

25 TXism: "clean ___ _ hound's tooth"

26 Gen. ___ Houston

27 North___, TX

28 "Texas ___ Monument"

29 good to eat

31 TXism: "fraidy ___ _"

32 cowboy's bolo

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Last Puzzle Solution

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Sul Ross Theatre to premiere "Dead Man's Cell Phone"

The Sul Ross State University Theatre Program celebrates its 101st season with Sarah Ruhl's "Dead Man's Cell Phone," opening Friday, Oct. 14, at the Studio Theatre in the Francois Fine Arts Building on the Alpine campus.

When Jean unexpectedly discovers a cell phone owned by a mysterious stranger, she is taken on an adventure, meeting the eclectic people surrounding his life. Sarah Ruhl crafts an

intricate and offbeat play about the ways modern technology connects, and disconnects, people.

Premiering at Washington D.C.'s Woolly Mammoth Theatre Company in 2007, "Dead Man's Cell Phone" opened Off-Broadway the following year, earning seven Helen Hayes Award nominations.

"Dead Man's Cell Phone" runs weekends Oct. 14-30, with performances on Fridays and Saturdays starting

at 7:30 p.m. and on Sundays at 2 p.m.

The play is directed by Bret Scott, with set design by Ross Fleming, costume design by Carolyn Barrientes and lighting and sound design by Christina Esparza (El Paso). The play features Yaritza Corona (El Paso), Justin Hinton (Houston), Jaina Brooks (Odessa), Olivia Pertuso

(Alpine), Caitlynn Almance (Odessa), Jenna Reyes (Al-

pine) and Corban Butters (Lamesa).

"Dead Man's Cell Phone" contains mature themes and language, and may not be suitable for children younger than 12. To purchase tickets, visit bit.ly/sulross-theatre. For more information, email email@finearts@sulross.edu, or call 432-837-8218.


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I have appointed the following as agent to conduct the sale, to-wit:

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Dated at Alpine, Brewster County, Texas, this the 31st day of August, 2022.

/s/ Ronny Dodson
Ronny Dodson,
SHERIFF of BREWSTER COUNTY

NOTICE OF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE
COUNTY OF BREWSTER DATED: August 30, 2022

and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court, 394th Judicial District, of Brewster County, Texas, by the District Clerk on said date, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on the 31st day of August, 2022, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in October, 2022, the same being the 4th day of said month, at the Courthouse door, of said County in the City of Alpine, beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all the right, title and interest of the defendants in such suit to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Brewster and the State of Texas, to-wit:

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Sep. 16: Sonora @ Alpine
 Varsity 7:30 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL
Sep. 17: Fort Stockton @ Alpine JV 11 a.m./V noon
Sep. 20: Marfa @ Marfa JV 5 p.m./V 6 p.m.

CROSS COUNTRY
Sep. 24: Bo Coffman Invitational in Presidio TBA

Two volleyball rivals meet again

BY J.T. MARONEY
 Publisher

Two rivals met again over the weekend, and this time the Fort Davis Indians came to revenge a game already lost this season. When the Lady Bucks and the Indians met for the second time on Sept. 10, the Indians were ready for a fight.

Set one and two went the way of the Fightin' Bucks, but just barely. The Indians were able to return multiple kills from Adayna Garcia and Hannah Juett. Garcia shined bright Saturday as she marked 15 kills and 15

attacks, and notched four ace serves and 13 good serves with only three errors.

Setter Paula Vargas set the entire game with one setting error, and 16 good serves with one error. The Lady Bucks did have a rowdy student section on hand thanks to the Fightin' Buck football team that came out to cheer them on.

Set three favored the Indians as they dominated over the set. The Avalanche spoke to Head Coach Autumn Kilpatrick about set three. She

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Adayna Garcia goes up for a kill shot against Buena Vista Tuesday.

Photo by Noe Lujan

Bucks face a tough Wildcat team



Fightin' Buck Tray Ervin handed the ball to Ylan Hernandez in Wink on Sept. 9.

Photo by Noe Lujan

BY MESINDA LLANEZ
 Sports Correspondent

The Fightin' Bucks traveled to Wink to face the undefeated Wildcats on Sept. 9. The Wildcats are ranked number five in the state in Division Two.

The Bucks could not hold off the Wildcats in the first quarter as they scored three touchdowns. Both the offense and defense struggled to get anything going against the tough Wildcats. Quarterback Tray Ervin threw an interception, and the Wildcats were able to score again before the half, making the score 27-0.

In the second half, the Fightin' Bucks were scoreless in the third quarter. The Wildcats were able to put 22 more points on the board, 43-0, then again in the fourth quarter, 49-0. Sophomore Devon Rojo was able to connect with senior Adrian Lujan for the only touchdown of the night for the Bucks. The

final score was 56-6. Alpine is now 0-3.

Sophomores Davian Fierro, Alejandro Hernandez, and Iden Lujan led the Bucks, each with five tackles. Junior Robert Vasquez contributed one sack. On offensive, senior Ylan Hernandez rushed for 92 yards.


Head Coach John Fellows said, "We might be down, but I believe in this team and these coaches. We will get this ship turned around. All our team goals are still within reach. Tough times do not last, tough people do."

The Fightin' Bucks junior varsity team was able to pull off the win over the Wildcats junior varsity on Sept. 8 in Alpine. In the first quarter freshman Maverick Milligan scored the Bucks' first touchdown. The game was tied 8-8 at the half.

In the second half, the Bucks trampled over the

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mentioned that they got comfortable, and turned their game off and lost, and that was unacceptable.

“This is a better team, but the flaw of the team is getting too comfortable,” said Kilpatrick.

Set four had a change of tides as the Lady Bucks made short work of the Indians, and ultimately won the game in four sets.

The Lady Bucks faced the Buena Vista Lady Longhorns on Tuesday night in what appeared to spectators as a dupli-

cation of the Fort Davis game.

Fierce competition at home against Buena Vista was ever so prevalent from the first few minutes in the first set. The teams battled each other as errors in serving and in the net continued to plague Alpine, but a hard fight was not taken lightly as Alpine won set one 27-25. Junior Sierra Ruckman played a vital role in securing the win for the Lady Bucks with her serves and relief on the back row.

Set three favored the

Lady Longhorns by a nice margin, but Alpine was able to recapture the game in four sets, and move ahead looking down the barrel of district play, which starts Sept. 24. Sophomore Jaycee Portillo also helped the team with her good serves during the game.

Alpine will face Fort Stockton and Marfa before district play begins. The Lady Bucks first District game will be played in Alpine against Tornillo.



The Lady Bucks and Fort Davis Indians at a recent face off in Alpine.

Avalanche photo by J.T. Maroney

Pepping up with the cheerleaders!



Alpine Fightin' Buck cheerleaders rally a supportive crowd at the high school gym on Sept. 9 before the Friday Night Lights football game at Buck Stadium.

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Wildcats with three more touchdowns by freshman Dae Hardwick - two in the third quarter - and freshman, A.J. Llanez with one in the fourth quarter. Sophomores Auden Ramirez and J.P. Valenzuela played great defensively, along with freshman Maverick Miligan with an interception, and Dae Hardwick

with a pick six. Freshman Alec Ramos had a sack for the night.

The final score was 28-8, and the junior varsity is now 2-1.

The junior varsity will travel to Sonora on Sept. 15 for a 6 p.m. start. The varsity will host the Sonora Broncos on Sept. 16 in Alpine at 7:30 p.m.

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7:00 - 9:00 pm - Por Mi Pistolas - A 1968 film starring Cantinflas
2:00 - 4:00 pm - Oral History Recordings (3) Texas Tech University

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5:30 pm - 6:30 pm - Texas Treasure Business Awards by the Pecos County Historical Commission
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm - TTBA Reception at FMH Hall of Fort Stockton Community Theatre
8:00 pm - 9:30 pm - The Lost Reels of Pancho Villa a documentary about the Battle of Ojinaga

Saturday, September 17
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Hold the onions? I should think not

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Onions are to cooking what eggs are to omelets. They are as common as salt and pepper when it comes to culinary creations. Onions have the unique ability to be sweet, savory, pungent, and aromatic all at once, which in turn makes a meal flavorful and enjoyable. They are versatile as they can be prepared and used in numerous ways. They can be battered and fried, pickled, grilled, roasted, caramelized, and served raw as extra garnish and flavor, or sliced thinly and served in salads. And you just would never be able to have Mexican food without them.



Onions are also one-third of the classic mirepoix, which adds flavor to soups along with carrots and celery. They are also part of what Cajuns consider the “holy trinity” of their cooking, substituting bell peppers for the carrots in the

mirepoix. In other words, food just would not be food, and cooking would not be cooking without the humble onion.

But onions have their place, and not all onions are created equal. Different varieties are used in different dishes. Take the yellow onion for instance. Yellow onions can be used in anything, and are especially great for creating French onion soup. Sweet onions contain more sugar than other onions, and are flatter than your traditional yellow onion. You may commonly hear them referred to as Vidalia onions, which is just one of several varieties of sweet onion. These onions are the best for caramelizing due to their extra sugar and make great onion rings.

Next in the onion parade are white onions. These are typically milder and a bit sweeter than yellow onions, and are great to use raw. These are the onions you garnish your tacos with and add to the top of your enchiladas. They are also great in making fresh pico de gallo or chile macho. When



wanting to add onions to a salad, especially raw, red onions are the way to go. They are milder in flavor than the other varieties, and give a nice pop of color to whatever dish you happen to use them in. They are always my go-to onion for most of my cooking.

Green onions are the small, immature onions that have not yet formed a bulb. Every part of the green onion is used, most especially as garnishes and to add crunch to salads, tacos, and omelets.

Still in the onion family are shallots. Shallots are small with purple flesh, and are somewhat of a cross between an onion and garlic. They are fantastic minced, and used in dressings and sauces. Leeks also fall into the onion family, and look like a large green onion. Leeks are great roasted as well as used in soups and sauces. They are mild in flavor, but still give off that oniony taste we all have grown to love.

So, no matter what culinary dish you happen to be designing, one form or another of the humble onion is sure to play a part.

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



Baked Parmesan Vidalia Onions

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| <p>Ingredients:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 large, sweet onions 4 tablespoons (2 ounces) unsalted butter 1 teaspoon salt, or to taste 1/4 teaspoon | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> freshly ground black pepper 14-16 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese, or to taste Parsley, or chives, chopped, to taste, for garnish |
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Directions:

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Peel the onions. Shave the roots a bit to neaten them, but don't remove the root end.

Cut each onion into eighths, cutting just to the root, but not through. Very gently slightly separate the layers of the onion.

Place each onion on a large, lightly greased square of foil.

Cut one tablespoon of butter into very

small pieces, and scatter the pieces over the onion and among the layers. Sprinkle the onion with salt and pepper and about 3-4 tablespoons of the Parmesan cheese. Repeat with the remaining onions.

Wrap the foil around each onion to seal and arrange them in a 9"x13"x2" baking pan. Bake for about one hour.

Serve and enjoy!

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Doctor Gluck

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experience-based advice. The word "godsend" is more than frequently heard in discussions about the help he has given his many West Texas patients.

William Runge
Alpine

What language do we speak?

Sometimes I wonder what language we are speaking. Someone misuses our native tongue, and before long, everybody else picks it up.

One that I hear constantly now on news media across the country as they report on the crisis at our southern border is Rio Grande River. I occasionally heard it, and then more and more started using it.

As most in our area know, Rio Grande means Big River. Sure, you wouldn't know that if you didn't have a smattering of Spanish. But before

going on national TV, I would look it up so I don't sound stupid. But nobody, it seems, bothered to do so. Do they think Rio was somebody's name, and they named the river after them? What we heard them say is "River River." Around here, many in second reference refer to it as the Rio.

Another is fentanyl overdose. An overdose is where one is accustomed to taking, say, 10 pills of something a day and then, for some reason, takes 15 or 20 and gets really sick or dies.

But that's not what happens with fentanyl. It is so

powerful that only a tiny doze can be fatal. Typically, someone takes one pill of something he thinks is Zantac or something else, and immediately dies. That is not an overdose. It is a poisoning.

And how many times do we hear one-year anniversary? Anniversary simply means the date on which something happened in a previous year. Anniversary by itself means one year since. You got married, signed a contract or something else a year ago, so today is your anniversary, not your one-year anniversary. And it's not the two-year anniversary or the 10-year

anniversary. It's the second anniversary or the tenth anniversary.

And I first heard this odd use of language on Sean Hannity on FOX News a year or so ago. He said something like, "The President, he said ..." "Or Congresswoman Sludgepump, she said ..." "What's wrong the "the President said ...?"

Then Hannity started using it more, and soon everyone on national TV was using that verbiage.

Most of us used language properly in the past. What has happened?

Jim Street
Alpine

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT
Zane Billings

In what activities did you participate in high school?

I participated in CX debate, band, academic UIL, student council, National Honor Society, football, track, and tennis during my high school career.

Who was your favorite teacher/coach, and why?

All of my educators are outstanding! Each one who taught and coached me played a big role in preparing me for my future and shaping my character. I'm grateful for Coach Valenzuela being a superb role model who mentored me into the leader I am today.

What was your favorite moment the last four years?

My favorite moment was winning a Bi-District championship



Zane Billings

with the football team in 2021. I'll never forget playing that Friday night in the cold with the deafening fans, my teammates, and season on the line. That feeling of hoisting the gold ball is one unlike any other.

What are your plans after high school?

I plan to attend college to ultimately pursue a career in the healthcare field. I aim to one day practice medicine in a rural area like Alpine.

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Devotional Page
Seven miracles of Calvary

BY MARK WILLIAMS
Pastor, Grace Christian Fellowship

Seven miracles happened during the time Jesus was crucified, died, was buried, and three days later was resurrected. Each one of these supernatural events were witnessed by several people, and happened without man's abilities.

The first supernatural occurrence was darkness covering the land for three hours. This darkness was not a solar eclipse because the Passover was always observed during a full moon. During this phase of a full moon, it is impossible for people on earth to observe a solar eclipse. A solar eclipse during the day isn't total darkness, and it doesn't last but about 12 minutes in its fullest moments.

The second occurrence was that the curtain in the temple was torn from top to bottom. This event was witnessed by priests who were conducting the annual Passover ceremonies at this hour.

A third event was an earthquake that caused the rocks to crack, but didn't destroy the temple, nor did the earthquake cause the three crosses to fall. The soldiers were terrified by these events that they witnessed.

A fourth occurrence that happened due to the earthquake was graves and tombs opened.

The fifth occurrence was witnessed by John, the Disciple, when he saw the undisturbed grave clothes of Jesus in the tomb, along with his head cloth folded and placed by itself. The Scriptures relay that when he saw

this he believed. John was there at the cross to witness the death of Jesus and His body taken and prepared by Joseph of Arimathea. Jesus' clothed body was placed in Joseph of Arimathea's tomb.

A sixth supernatural act happened at the time of Jesus' resurrection. The graves and tombs that the earthquake opened were found empty because many saints who died were found alive and appeared to many in Jerusalem.

The seventh supernatural event occurred when witnesses were being visited by Jesus after He arose from Joseph's tomb. During 40 days Jesus made several appearances, even to a group of more than 500 people at one time. (1 Corinthians 15:6)

This seventh supernatural act is still occurring since Jesus' ascension into the heavens. Jesus appeared also to Paul, the Apostle, almost 10 years after His resurrection. Jesus also appeared to John, the Disciple, when John was on the Island of Patmos near the year, 95 A.D. Jesus is still appearing to many supernaturally in our generation as well. (John 14:18-21) He is telling many that His return is close and very near.

Knowing this, we should be ready to meet Him! If you do not know Him, then I pray you will do so. The Scriptures are clear that to be saved, you must confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your Heart that God raised Him from the dead. (Romans 10:9) Call upon Him today.

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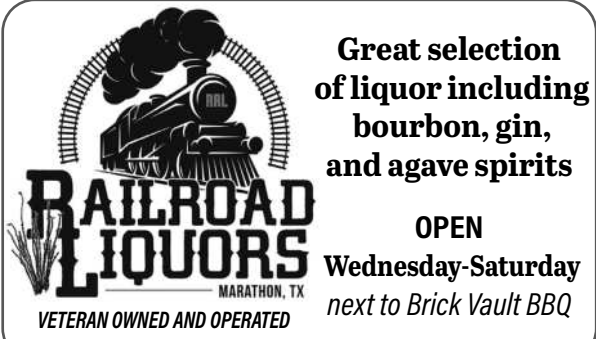
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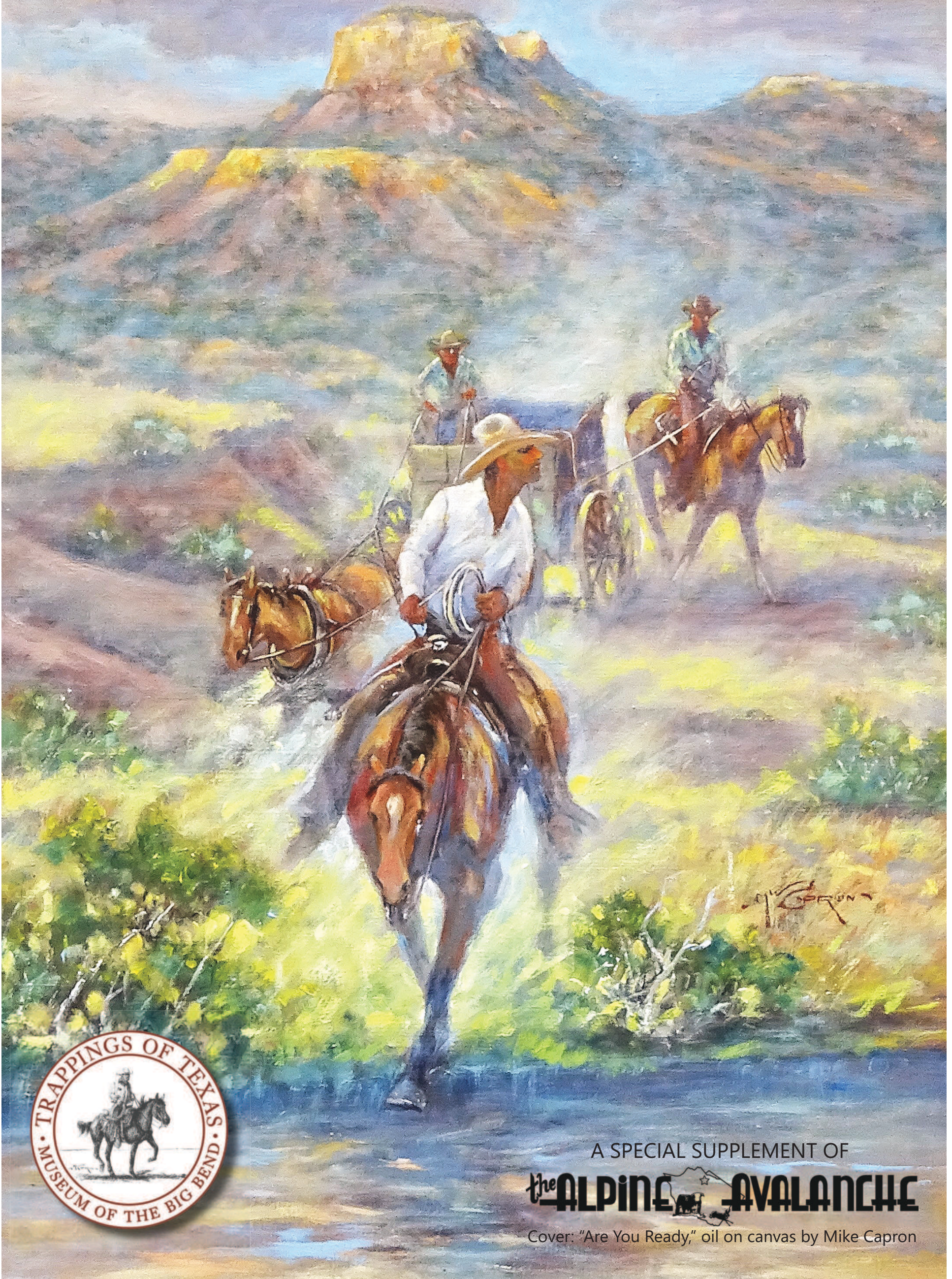
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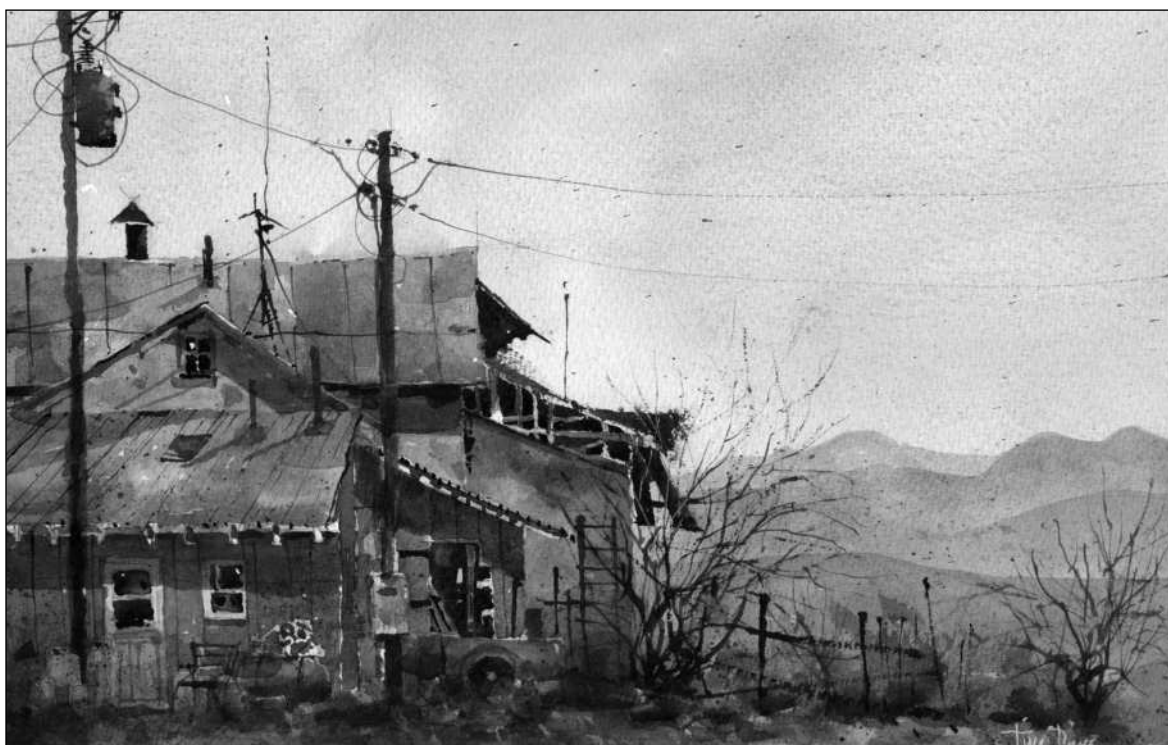


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These are among the many kinds of works you'll see at the annual Trappings of Texas Thursday through Saturday, Sept. 15-17. A showcase of contemporary art and custom cowboy gear held at Museum of the Big Bend on the campus of Sul Ross State University in Alpine, this one-of-a-kind art show has been celebrating the cowboy artist for 36 years. This show and sale is a must for anyone with an interest in cowboy culture.

It is cowboy culture at its finest. The Trappings of Texas opening weekend is a pure celebration of Western art. Thursday begins with a preview

party at the Museum from 5-8 p.m., where you will be the first to see the show. That evening a cash bar, light appetizers, complimentary beer and wine, and live music is offered. Register to become a buyer, get your ballot book, and start dropping ballots to have the chance to purchase works in the show. Look for folks wearing name tags with an attached ribbon saying "Trappings Artist." These are the artists with works in the sale, and they are delighted to answer your questions and just visit.

Come back Friday from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., and hang out on the Museum's front porch with some of the Trappings artists as they do painting demonstrations. Then get ready to come back to the Museum for the best

party in West Texas for the Trappings of Texas opening reception, exhibit, and sale from 6-9 p.m. You can still register to become a buyer, get a ballot book, and drop your ballots to have the opportunity to purchase works in the show. A cash bar, complimentary beer and wine, heavy appetizers, and live music make for a full evening of fun at the Museum.

Saturday kicks off with a Ranch Hand breakfast prepared by Sul Ross Meat Lab students starting at 8 a.m. You must register on-line for the breakfast. Keep your cell phone on as you will be notified that morning if you are a lucky buyer of the Trappings works. Revisit the show, and from 11 a.m.-3 p.m., artist demonstrations on the front porch and presentations will be in the gallery. It's a great way to end a weekend celebrating cowboy culture.

Bring your ticket from either Thursday's or Friday's events, and you'll get free admission to the Museum, which is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

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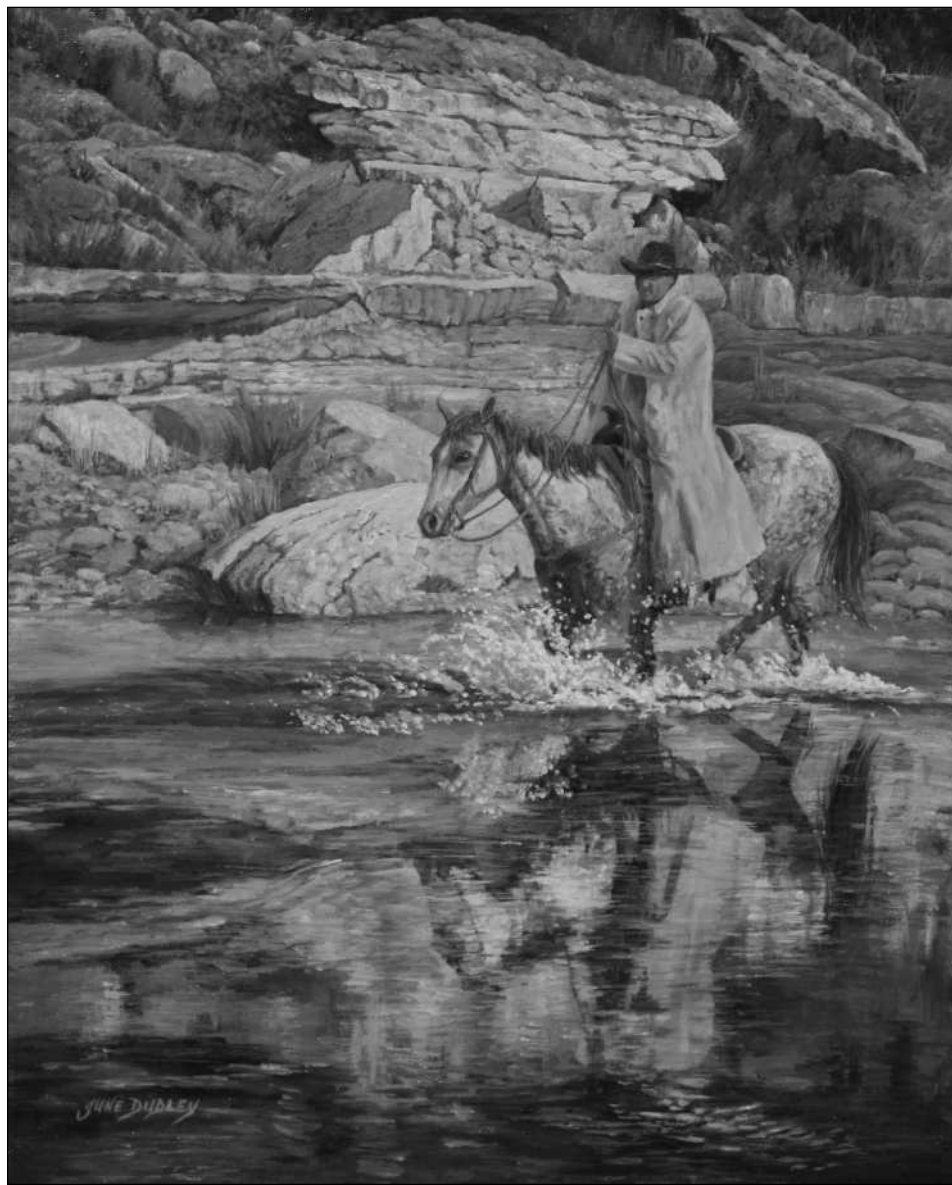
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"Big Bend," oil by Sarah Harless



"Pronto!" bronze on Texas mesquite by William Carrington



"Deep Water," acrylic, by June Dudley

SCHEDULE

Trappings of Texas is back for the 36th celebration of Contemporary Western Art and Custom Cowboy Gear in the heart of the Big Bend country of Texas.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

5-8 p.m.

Preview Party at Museum of the Big Bend on the campus of Sul Ross State University

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Artist Demonstrations

Meet some of the Trappings artists and learn about their craft.

11 a.m.-3 p.m. Artist demonstrations and presentations at the Museum front porch and exhibit gallery

Bring your ticket from Thursday or Friday Trappings evening events, and the admission fee is waived.

6-9 p.m.

Opening Reception and Sale at Museum of the Big Bend

The best party in the Big Bend! Register to become a buyer, meet the artists, and catch up with your friends at the Museum. Appetizers, complimentary wine and beer, and a cash bar make the evening more festive.

5-8 p.m. Trappings of Texas Ranch Roundup Party at Mitre Peak Ranch

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

8 a.m.

Ranch Hand Breakfast at the Museum

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"Along the Tracks" by Phil Epp

As he states, "They celebrate the naïve, the simple, the pure, the unspoiled and the spiritual." Epp works mostly in acrylic paint, using up to 16 layers to achieve

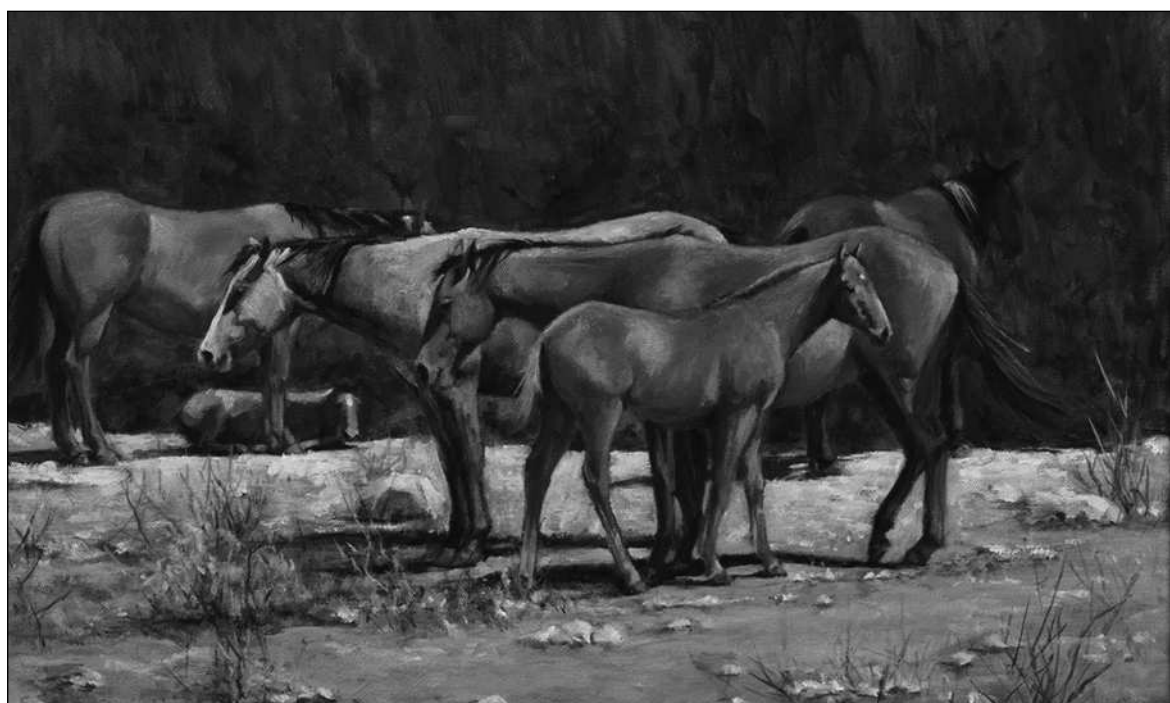
the brilliance of his images. His paintings are found in both public and private collections, with works in some 40 states as well as in Japan

and Europe. Epp also works a great deal on outdoor installations, creating monumental pieces in ceramic tile for corporate and civic commissions.

He has won numerous awards and recognition throughout his 40-year career. In 2017 became a member of the Cowboy Artists of America.

Learn more about Phil at his website philepp.com.

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"The Mare Band," oil by Sarah Harless

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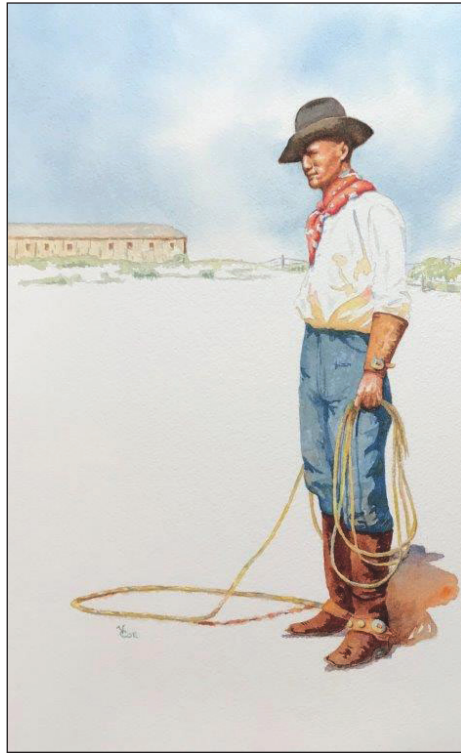
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