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## Council hears quarterly EDC update

By SHAWN YORKS  
PIONEER EDITOR

A growing economy and a low unemployment rate are among the things that make Fort Stockton and Pecos County a great place to call home. And the Fort Stockton city council heard an update on the state of the city's economy at its April 10 city council meeting.

Economic Development Corporation Executive Director Remie Ramos said 685 jobs have been created here since January and the unemployment rate has remained steady at 4.4%.

"We continue to see that the Permian Basin area (unemployment rate) runs significantly lower than the state and the U.S., so this enables to even understand more of the shortage of em-

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### RAINFALL TOTALS

2023.....1.19"  
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## Springhirst renovation gains likelihood

By SHAWN YORKS  
PIONEER EDITOR

Economic development incentives are a way to encourage quality development, and the Texas PACE - Property Assessed Clean Energy program - is a financial tool to encourage property owners to upgrade facility infrastructure with little or no capital outlay.

Charlene Heydinger, president of the program, presented to the Pecos County Commissioner's Court on April 10 and

said the program does not cost local governments any taxpayer dollars.

"Texas PACE Authority, where I work, is a 501(c)(3) non-profit that was created in 2015 to administer these programs for counties and cities across Texas," Heydinger said. "We've committed to serve all of Texas, whether its urban or rural, and our commitment is to make sure that any business or non-profit that wants to be able to use this program and can demonstrate to a

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The renovation of the former Springhirst Hotel, located in downtown Fort Stockton on Main Street, gained momentum with the likelihood of the PACE program being approved. File Photo

## BEN CARSON READING ROOM GRAND OPENING



Apache Elementary School in Fort Stockton played host to the grand opening of their Ben Carson Reading Room on April 13. Apache students performed a musical act and a video of Dr. Ben Carson's introduction was played before the official ribbon cutting took place in the reading room. Apache teacher Briana Ramos (pictured), who played a significant role in spearheading the project, also spoke at the event. In attendance at the ribbon cutting ceremony was the Apache Elementary staff/administration, members of the Fort Stockton Chamber of Commerce, including EDC director Remie Ramos and executive vice president Arna McCorkle, mayor Chris Alexander and his wife, Tracy Alexander, as well as members with the Fort Stockton Lions Club. Photos by Nathan Heuer

## Walker creates art through SLAM grant, to give back to FSCT

By NATHAN HEUER  
PIONEER MANAGING EDITOR

What one views as a weakness, another may view as a strength.

Fort Stockton artist Steven M. Walker has embraced that mindset in life and through his artwork.

The owner of Chunkarts Studio & Gallery, in Fort Stockton, referred to a 15th century Japanese art form of Kintsugi as an inspiration to his approach.

"It's the art of repairing broken ceramics with lacquer, which is made of black tree sap and gold," Walker said. "Once a piece is repaired, it's viewed as being more precious because you can now see landscapes and waterfalls, which

makes the piece highly valued. If you apply that philosophy to human beings, we don't get through life without being broken, beaten up, or bruised. If we're able to embrace those aspects of ourselves, we, too, become more beautiful."

Walker most recently applied his approach to a series of impressionistic paintings by way of a \$500 grant provided by the Fort Stockton Association for the Support of Local Arts & Music (SLAM).

SLAM President Renee Gaylor, who started the organization in 2017, said the purpose of the mini grants is to provide local artists aid for expenses involving their craft.

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Steven Walker, middle, is pictured in front of one of his impressionistic paintings at his Chunkarts Studio & Gallery, in Fort Stockton. From left to right: Penny Smith, FSCT Vice President; Alice Duerksen, FSCT President; Steven Walker, Renee Gaylor, SLAM President; Allie Sumner, SLAM Vice President. Courtesy

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Dickey's Barbecue at 409 West Dickinson now offers Wing Boss Online. Photo by Shawn Yorks

## Wing Boss chicken wings offered online from Dickey's Barbecue

By SHAWN YORKS  
PIONEER EDITOR

When Toni Espinosa bought Dickey's Barbecue Pit last year, she had her eyes on expanding offerings at the restaurant. That came true on March 15 when Dickey's began offering Wing Boss chicken wings exclusively online.

"It's an online virtual store," Espinosa said. "You can order by going by [www.wingboss.com](http://www.wingboss.com).

"It's something new that we just incorporated to Dickey's," Espinosa added, "It's still Dickey's barbecue, but it's a digital platform that we are able to provide to customers. So, it will help us with revenue."

Up to seven flavors of smoked barbecue

wings, boneless wings and tenders are available, as well as Cajun fries and a variety of sauces.

Espinosa explained when she bought the Fort Stockton location last year, she was asked if she wanted to open a Wing Boss in addition to Dickey's.

But before she moved forward with the process, she wanted to make sure the restaurant would be successful.

"It's been more than six months, I think we got Dickey's going," Espinosa said. "We're excited, we're happy, we're ready for Wing Boss."

When you go to [wingboss.com](http://wingboss.com), order and choose delivery. Espinosa has partnered

with Door Dash to deliver your food straight to your location.

"Wingboss.com has been live since March 15, but I was just waiting to get the feel of it, to make sure my staff was properly trained because it's online so we want to make sure those orders go out right," Espinosa said, adding that it's been a success. "Our Dickey's, out of 450 stores, we made top 87 for the week on sales. My staff is friendly and we try to give good quality food."

For wings, visit [www.wingboss.com](http://www.wingboss.com).

Dickey's is located at 409 W. Dickinson Blvd. and can be reached via phone at 432-299-2224.

## Pecos County proclaims AgriLife's National Volunteer Week April 17-23

By SHAWN YORKS  
PIONEER EDITOR

An "Entire community can inspire, equip and mobilize people to take action that changes the word." So says a proclamation from the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office declaring April 17-23 as National Volunteer Week in Pecos County. The Pecos County Commissioner's Court approved the proclamation read by Extension Agent Karan Hefelfinger at the March 27 Commissioner's Court meeting.

"We will be having our volunteer banquet during that week," Hefelfinger said.

The local extension office had 247 volunteers in 2022.

"We couldn't do what we do without the volunteers," Hefelfinger added. "We use volunteers as direct adult volunteers without our projects, we have livestock mentors, volunteers with livestock projects, we have our ag committee and task force, we also have our FCS program committee and our FCS Task Force, lead-



ership advisory board that advises us into our programming and what we do within the county to help to recognize the needs in the county so we meet the needs of the citizens and individuals within the county."

Hefelfinger also recognized 4-H volunteers and others who support various other programs, totaling an average of 110 hours and said that if all the volunteers were paid, it would cost more than \$30,000.

"Because we don't pay our volunteers, it's really quite a savings," Hefelfinger added. "We really appreciate our volunteers."

\*The 34th Annual Matthies-Bennett 4-H Scholarship Auction takes place April 15 beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the Pecos County Coliseum. Auc-

tioner will be Kaleb Edwards.

Pecos County, the City of Fort Stockton, and Pecos County Memorial Hospital are among the entities who have donated numerous items for the auction. Since 1989, the auction has accumulated more than \$261,118 to be used in the Matthies-Bennett Scholarship Fund, with 2% of the gross balance of the scholarship fund to be awarded to qualified scholarship recipients.

In other action:

- The commissioner's court, accepted a donation of \$100 from Six Shooter Ranches to go to the Imperial Public Library;

- Approved a request from Matterhorn Express Pipeline to cut county roads in Coynosa east to the Pecos River into Crane County to lay a 36-inch natural gas pipeline and to build one permanent and 10 temporary drive-ways/culverts. The cuts will be made on Trailer House Road, Water Well Field Road, PCFW Water Line, Buena Vista Road, County Road 1759 and Old Girvin Road.

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#### APRIL 14

The Fort Stockton Baseball team will host Greenwood on Friday, April 14. Varsity is scheduled to start at 7 p.m.

#### APRIL 9-16

Moore's Greater Show Carnival is being held across from Rooney Park, on the east side of Sanderson Highway through Sunday, April 16.

#### APRIL 15

Donna Gerstle will have a book signing at Office Quarters 8 at the Historic Fort at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 15.

#### APRIL 15

Keep Historic Fort Stockton Beautiful will have its annual Trash-Off on Saturday, April 15 starting at the Public Works

building, located at 601 W. Railroad Ave., starting with registration at 8:30 a.m. Mela will be provided starting at 11 a.m. Door prizes will also be given out.

#### APRIL 15

The Ninth Annual Mule Deer Foundation Banquet will be held at the Pecos County Civic Center on April 15 starting at 6 p.m. The event is a fundraiser to ensure the preservation of Mule Deer through conservation. Meal will be catered by Cooks' Catering (Paul Pasqua), which includes brisket trimmings and quail sausage with a drink. Meal tickets are \$20 per person. For more information contact Demetrio Rubio 432-290-4563 or Rosie Holland 432-290-4002.

#### APRIL 15

The Fort Stockton Historical Society presents Frontier Medicine at Fort


Davis and Other Army Posts, True Stories of Unglamorous Maladies. A Donna Gerstle-Smith book signing will be featured at the event, held at Officer Quarters 8 at the Historic Fort. The event is scheduled to run from 1:30-3:30 p.m. Admission is free

#### APRIL 19-22

The Big Bend Open Road Race and the week-long festivities surrounding the event will begin on Wednesday, April 19 and end on Saturday, April 22 with the race. The BBORR Parade is scheduled for Friday, April 21.

#### APRIL 22-23

The Miss Rodeo Comanche Springs Horsemanship Clinic will be held at the Pecos County Coliseum on Saturday, April 22 and Sunday, April 23. The clinic fee is \$50, limited sports available. Shaun Strickland will be leading the clinic.



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## Gonzales to be next Ward 7 FISD school board trustee

By NATHAN HEUER  
PIONEER MANAGING EDITOR

Jennifer L. Gonzales will become the next Fort Stockton ISD School Board Trustee of Ward 7 following the certification of unopposed candidates at the district's regular board meeting on March 27.

Gonzales was unopposed for the upcoming election and will replace the seat that is currently held by Andy Rivera.

The school board's action at last Monday's meeting cancelled the Ward 7 election.

Rivera's last meeting as

a board member will be at the end of April.

According to Gonzales' application for a place on the ballot, which can be found on the FSISD website, she has resided in the ward for the past 5 years and 4 months and has lived in the state of Texas for the past 10 years.

The lone contested school board race will be in Ward 1 between Nathan Tapp, Kay Griffith, and Daniel Rangel.

Early voting will begin April 24. Election day will be on Tuesday, May 6.

See candidate question and answer profiles in the April 20 edition of the Fort Stockton Pioneer.

## RENOVATION

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private lender that they can pay these payments back should have access to this program."

Fort Stockton Economic Development Director Remie Ramos was approached about the program by Tom Bevins, the project coordinator for the Springhirst Hotel renovation project in downtown Fort Stockton, which is hoping to utilize the PACE program for financing.

"We have a new financial model, we have the investors lined up," Bevins said. "So now what we want to do is get PACE established and then get with either a local banker or a PACE-approved lender outside of Fort Stockton- we'd like to stay local if we could - and get that completely put-together and then begin the project. Once you establish this, we could probably try to have all our financing together in the next 60 days."

Bevins said that PACE would make the Springhirst project easier and Pecos County would see more development if developers had a tool like PACE.

Ramos said the Springhirst is owned by the Fort Stockton EDC, who would contractually sell it for development so it would belong to the developer for financing.

PACE is only for privately-owned property.

"I want to assure you that we're not interested in being a 'one project wonder,'" Heydinger added. "We'd like to serve churches and all of your other small businesses and large businesses alike."

PACE financing may be used to pay for permanent improvements to the property that are intended to decrease water or energy consumption or demand.

Owners choose a pri-

vate sector capital provider and voluntarily request that the local government place a senior lien on the property for the total cost of the project. The owner commits that they will pay the PACE assessment installments.

Eligible properties include non-profit commercial property such as private schools, medical facilities and churches; industrial property including privately-owned agricultural property, and multi-family property with five or more dwelling units.

"If the project is used once every five to 10 years, it's still an economic development tool to put in the county's toolbox," Heydinger added.

The court created a resolution of intent to create the program, and a public hearing is set for April 24. After the public hearing, the county would draft a resolution to establish the program.

"Every business wants to make money and there's two ways to do it," Heydinger said. "Sell more stuff and you lower your operating cost, and this is about the saving side. Too many businesses are paying way too much to repair old equipment and to pay utility bills."

"So, this enables businesses to lower their operating costs and thereby increase their net operating income."

Property-owners can borrow 100 percent up front money for any equipment that makes their property more energy-efficient, water efficient or creates power on-site.

"We will not approve projects unless an independent third-party engineer validates that - over the life of the financing - the savings will exceed the cost," Heydinger added. "These projects are cashflow positive or we won't approve them."

## UPDATE

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ployees in our area," Ramos said.

Sales tax increased in January and February but saw a slight decrease in March. But, the tax revenue is 40% higher this year compared to 2022.

So far this year, \$1,289,417 in sales tax has been collected.

Ramos added that several businesses have been recruited to Fort Stockton, including a retail development at the interchange of I-10 and the Monahans Highway; 7-D Exxon sale has closed and will be a voluntary annexation into the city limits; a Hydrogen Hub project; Grid United, which is a large-scale energy project that will take electric lines from Bakersfield to El Paso and is Ercot's first connection to the Western Grid; the vacant Sears building is under contract and a retailer is expected to be named within the next 30 days; the I-10 East Pipe Yard at the 7-D Exxon now has a tenant and pipe will be moved by rail which will increase rail yard income; the Spaceport has all final permits and leases in place, and the bucking chute relocation at the Pecos County Coliseum has been completed.

Business retention

projects include the relocation and expansion of G-Force Tumbling, expansion of Advanced BioCatalytics, Casterly Rock storefront improvement, and the expansion of Glitzy Brew.

Ramos said 20 commercial buildings are vacant, 48 rental houses are available, two duplexes, and 21 apartments.

Fifty-eight houses are MLS listed for sale, three by owner, and four new construction permits were issued in the first three months of the year.

Ongoing projects are mostly Gene Cummings Park improvements - irrigation, restroom remodel, solar lighting and basketball pavilion, and the remodel and A/C units at the convention center.

The Hodges Pavilion project is also gaining steam.

"The (Gene Cummings) Park irrigation equipment has all been delivered," Ramos said, adding that the sprinkler system has been installed and they're waiting for

the reclamation equipment for the spray park to be delivered. "We're going to start installing the irrigation within the next 30 days."

The city played host to a Highway 67 Freight Corridor/Railroad meeting in January, the Permian Basin Road Safety Coalition meeting in February, a Michigan University Students Renewable Energy Study in March, the Chamber of Commerce Banquet, Fort Stockton High School Career and Technical Education Board in January, and the Comanche Springs Rodeo in March, which brought in 1,300 rodeo fans over two days.

Ramos said a Placer Program was launched in March to track consumers.

"It's tracking them by cellphone data and it allows us to know how many consumers were at any given point and shows the rise and decline," Ramos said. "It shows us how long they stayed, tells us where they came from before they came to that destination, as well as tells us where they went."

"It's a wealth of information that we're finding about all of our businesses, as well as our general locations in retail districts like here in downtown."

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Pecos County Courthouse Annex, 200 S. Nelson, Fort Stockton, TX 79735	1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10
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## Urgent calls from college

Having two of my semi-grown daughters in college simultaneously has truly been an adventurous journey for our family – the kind where you enjoy amazing new experiences, but your expensive designer luggage gets stolen and you have to request an extra airsickness bag.

For the first few months of their college lives, our daughters called us regularly to discuss their activities and to tell us how much they missed us (or at least our pets). Now, on the rare occasions when they call/text, we know it means one of two things: 1) they need more money or 2) something is wrong (and they probably need more money to fix it).

Our most recent crisis-text involved our “happy-go-lucky-and-blow-\$300-on-another-pair-of-limited-edition-Nikes” middle daughter. At around 1:00 AM on a Friday night, my wife received an urgent text from an unknown number informing us that it was our daughter using a friend’s phone because she had lost her phone (again) and, therefore, could no longer function as a viable human being.

We replied to the text by informing her that our Life360 parental-stalking app showed her phone to be at a restaurant where her mother and I can’t afford to eat. (We didn’t ask why she was awake and out in the middle of the night because we naturally assumed she was attending a nocturnal Bible study.)

After not receiving any communication for next several hours and frantically imagining that she had been abducted by Russian Nike traffickers, we were relieved by a late-morning call from our daughter, who provided a rather vague and suspicious explanation of how she had found her phone and could now resume life as an actual person. (I’m pretty sure she also asked for more money.)



**GUEST COLUMNIST**  
By Jase Graves

Other than a couple of the most expensive flat tires in the history of flat tires, a sophomore-college-student-proof pickle jar lid and a gymnastics accident in which she basically dislocated her entire body, our eldest and most expensive daughter has managed fairly well.

One of her more memorable requests for help was last semester when she called to inform us that she and her roommates had tried out her brand-new, state-of-the-art, top-of-the-line, high-end, gourmet air fryer, and it started smoking. I replied that she should tell the air fryer that smoking is addictive and bad for its health. (She didn’t laugh.)

She said they eventually discovered that the source of the smoke was a freshly-baked cardboard packaging insert they had failed to remove from within the device before trying to use it. (I think I broke a rib laughing.)

She then asked if we thought the air fryer would be ok. I replied that if it quit smoking immediately, it could probably avoid heart disease and cancer. (I’m pretty sure she hung up at that point.)

Seriously, though, I realize that raising children to be independent adults should be one of a parent’s primary goals, but it’s still nice to be needed from time to time while they are on their college journey, even if it just involves a stubborn pickle jar lid – and more money.



## Prosecuting political not direction U.S. wants to go

Once had a client from a country where the instability of the government led to widespread chaos.

He had supported a candidate who was running against the president in a hotly contested election, and was severely beaten because of his affiliation with the perceived “enemy of the state.”

He lost his job, his money, everything.

When he came to my office to file for political asylum, I asked rather naively why he had chosen the United States.

I remember with a clarity that has not dimmed over 20 years the response he gave: “In this country, you do not jail your political enemies. You only jail the criminals.”

I was thinking about that comment this week, as Donald Trump was arraigned in his hometown on 34 felony counts of what the indictment called Falsifying Business Records In The First Degree.

It was basically a cut-and-paste of the same allegation, arising out of the same basic scheme: keep Stormy Daniels from talking about an alleged affair. The only way that Manhattan DA Alvin Bragg was able to turn a misdemeanor into a felony was by tying it into campaign finance violations.

Most observers who have a good understanding of the law and don’t believe in “the ends justify the means” theory think this is a dead-end case.



**GUEST COLUMNIST**  
By Christine Flowers

To be honest, though, I don’t much care whether Trump is found guilty of these charges. In terms of wanting him to skate on charges that he paid off a porn star that he very likely “dated” to protect his wife and young son, I have no sympathy.

But we all know that’s not what’s happening here. Alvin Bragg is making good on a campaign promise that everyone heard but is now pretending was never made, to get Donald Trump.

He skated into office by assuring New York Trump haters that he would prosecute the former president, as soon as he could find something to prosecute.

He already had the defendant, he just needed the right crime.

When Bragg and the Democrats who support him pushed for this in-

dictment, they crossed an invisible line that separated the United States from many of the Banana Republics that exist in other parts of the world.

Even assuming the DA was justified in investigating a crime that no one not associated with Donald Trump would be charged with – Michael Cohen included – he was not justified in exercising his broad discretion to go after a man who has already announced his candidacy to challenge a sitting president.

You might say the problem only arises when it is the government that seeks to prosecute the rival candidate or political dissident, not someone who has no connection to that sitting president. In a normal political climate, you would be correct.

But this has not been a normal political climate since at least 2016, when Donald Trump was elected to office.

Regardless of what you think about the second impeachment effort, any honest American would have to agree that the first one, based on a flimsy phone call and chants of Russian collusion, was a partisan witch hunt.

And then there was the absolute media meltdown over every thing the man did, from mean tweets to that bi-

zarre but ill-fated bro-

mance with Kim Jong II. The hostility extended to his family, with attacks on the wardrobe choices of his wife Melania, to criticism of sweet Instagram posts that his daughter Ivanka made of her children.

We get it. CNN, MSNBC and most of the non-cable networks hated Trump, except when it came to the ratings bonanza he brought.

And even Fox started getting tired of the drama. Most of us did, to be honest.

But that’s no reason to have literally compared him to some of the worst tyrants in history.

Which brings me back full circle to this New York prosecution. I know what happens when political dissidents catch the attention of those who wield great power.

And while Trump is not a dissident, and while Bragg is not exactly Stalin, there is something deeply disturbing about the prospect that a prosecutor is bringing a case against a former president for whom he clearly did not vote, in order to appease the New York mob.

What happens if tomorrow, a Republican prosecutor in a deep red state starts sniffing around Chuck Schumer, Nancy Pelosi or even Joe Biden?

Pandora ... meet Box.

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### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

**To the Editor,**  
Adding insult to injury, The USVP went to Nashville Tennessee, yet it wasn’t to console a community still grieving from the deaths of six murdered by a female “Transgender” sociopath in a Christian School. The VP visited Nashville to rally against the expulsion of State Reps who led activist in an illegal disruption of the Tennessee State Legislature. With the disregard Kamala Harris displayed toward the grieving Christians one can safely assume she took the ad-

vice of a former White House AG. A partisan who once promoted the kicking of adversaries, as Kamala did while these Christians were down.

**James R. Le Blanc,**  
Fort Davis, Texas

**Dear Editor,**  
A political prayer  
Our Joe Biden who are in Washington,  
Hollow is your name.  
The second term do not come,  
Thy regulations be undone,

In all states as well as in Washington.

Give us this day our welfare check,

And forgive our 31 trillion dollar debt,

As we forgive your attack on oil;  
And lead us not into complete economic collapse,

But deliver us from communism.  
For thine is the decline of our country,

It’s power, and its glory. Amen.

**George Pitts,**  
Fort Stockton

### LETTER POLICY

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## Karen L. Fox

Karen L. Fox, 73, of Pittsfield, Pennsylvania, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, March 31, 2023 at her home.

She was born on July 6, 1949, in Erie, Pennsylvania, a daughter to the late James R. and Agnes L. (Gomolekoff) O'Brien. Karen is survived by her husband, Dennis Dale; her children, Michelle L. Yedica of Fort Stockton, Betsy D. (Tim) Mallon of Altoona, Pa., and Ron (Jessica) Toomey of Tidioute, Pa.; her sister, N. Lynn (Tom) Ohmer of Waterford, Pa.; her grandchildren, Jim O'Brien, Jeremy Hunter, Jacob Hunter of Fort Stockton, Zach Mallon, Sean Mallon, of Altoona, Pa.; Allissa (Bryce) Neel and Brayden Toomey of Tidioute, Pennsylvania; her great-grandchildren, Nathaniel O'Brien, Kyleigh O'Brien, Johnathan Hunter, Natalie Hunter, and Caellum Neel, and several nieces and nephews.

Karen took great pleasure in the many activities in which she participated in her life; planning family functions and celebrations, crafting, and participating with the Erie Grotto as "Jingles" the clown where she met her husband, Dennis as "Pockets."

She will be most remembered as the plan-



ner, organizer, and host of numerous family functions, especially those surrounding the holiday season.

In addition to her parents, Karen was preceded in death by her siblings, Patricia Bongiorno, James O'Brien and Robert O'Brien.

A memorial service will take place at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 22, 2023 at the Grand Valley United Methodist Church, 107 Goodwill Street, Grand Valley, PA 16402.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggest memorial donations be made to the Sanford United Methodist Church, 2550 Sanford Rd, Pittsfield, PA 16340, with the pastor, Rev. Penny Helmbold, officiating.

The Nelson Funeral Home & Cremation Services, in Youngsville, Pa. have been entrusted with all arrangements.

Condolences to the family may be made at nelsonfuneralhome.net.

## Consider sacrificing beyond lent

Lent is the solemn Christian religious observance in the liturgical year commemorating the 40 days Jesus Christ spent fasting in the desert and enduring temptation by Satan, according to the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke, before beginning his public ministry. (Matthew 4:1-11; Luke 4:1-13; Mark 1:9-13)

It is said it takes 21 days to form a habit, so lent season should be a deeper life changing event. I would honor this



**GUEST COLUMNIST**  
By Daya Martinez

time and prepare myself to fast a small sacrifice and pray to God help me through the 40 days.

I would carefully think of something I could give up without much temptation for it. But that's all it was, a race of time. I could not wait until the 40 days was over so I could indulge in my "sacrifice" and basically go back to my old self.

I then found myself really thinking about this. Lent is a period of 40 days of repentance and reflection as we prepare for Christ passion and resurrection by making small sacrifice such as fasting.

Fasting to me is not

only giving up on chocolate it should be giving up anger, jealousy, addiction, etc., things that take away time with God.

I have come to the conclusion if I do the 40 days, I should consider sacrificing something in my life that causes hindrance and get rid of it by truly repenting and reflecting how better my life would be without it. Giving up on sin should be done every day not just in Lent season. We all may have rough edges to take care of, it is not too late to make a change.

## Asparagus is a sign of springtime and new beginnings

Asparagus is one of my favorite vegetables. I always want Asparagus at my Easter meal because it is a sign of springtime and new beginnings.

Chefs and gourmets, the world over eagerly await the arrival of spring. No other time of year can match the bounty of fresh fruits and vegetables available. Many will only be obtainable at this time. Asparagus is available year round, but the peak season runs from February through June. Thus, it is one of the earliest harbingers of spring and an indispensable commodity on all seasonal menus.

Asparagus, a member of the lily family, probably originated in the Eastern Mediterranean. Because it is found wild in so many areas of the globe, some



**KARAN'S KORNER**  
By Karan Heffelfinger

uncertainty exists as to the whereabouts of its genesis. Indeed, a friend of mine who lives in a remote region of eastern Washington State has asparagus growing wild on his property. We do know that it was first cultivated 2,500 years ago by the Greeks and was equally

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### ASPARAGUS SALAD WITH TRUFFLE VINAIGRETTE

**FOR THE SALAD:**

- 6 large spears of asparagus
- 1 batch of salad green
- Parmesan cheese strips, as needed
- Salt to taste

**FOR THE DRESSING:**

- 1 shallot, minced
- 1 tablespoon Champagne vinegar
- 2 tablespoons black truffle oil (flavored oil)
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- Salt and pepper to taste

**DIRECTIONS:** Trim the ends of the asparagus and peel them. Then blanch them for one and a half minutes in boiling salted water and then submerge in ice water. Place the minced shallot and vinegar in a bowl. Slowly drizzle in the oils, constantly whisking. Season with salt and pepper.

Stack the asparagus in a crosswise pattern on the plate like a number sign (#). Place the greens in the center of the asparagus. Using a peeler, peel some strips of Parmesan cheese and arrange around the greens. Sprinkle salad with salt. Drizzle some of the dressing over the greens and asparagus.

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The Fort Stockton Chamber of Commerce presented McCoy's with a Business Spotlight Certificate on March 21. The business is located at 1300 N. Highway 285. Courtesy Photo

## McCoy's recognized in March Business Spotlight

McCoy's Building Supply was presented the March 2023 Business Spotlight on March 21. Representatives of the Fort Stockton Chamber of Commerce, Chamber Ambassadors, and Chamber Board of Directors were present to present the Spotlight Certificate.

McCoy's Building Supply has been a long-time member of the Fort Stockton Chamber of Commerce, dedicated to offering high-quality materials at a competitive price. Their knowledgeable team is happy to provide you with excellent service and quality materials so you know you are getting the

best products for your projects. With their full-service lumberyard and high-quality building materials, McCoy's serves professional contractors, first-time DIYers, and everyone in between. Their yard crew will help you load up your materials, and they can deliver them straight to your job site.

## Senior celebration conference to be held on May 4

The Pecos County Senior Celebration Conference will be on Thursday, May 4 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Large Community Hall in Rooney Park.

The conference cost is free, but you must register for the meal count for lunch.

The event is geared to provide senior citizens with resources and information they can use in managing their daily lives. Speakers and exhibitors will discuss various health topics including diabetes, healthy heart care, pharmacology, living with memory loss, nursing and homemaker services, adult day services and respite, and personal assistive devices.

The conference includes exhibits, workshops, speakers, awards, luncheon, entertainment, crafts, music, and door prizes.

Call the Extension to register at 336-2541.

### NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCIÓN GENERAL)

To the registered voters of the City of Fort Stockton, Texas:  
(a los votantes registrados del Ciudad de Fort Stockton, Texas:

#### ELECTION DAY (DÍA DE ELECCION)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 6, 2023, for voting in the general election to elect one (1) Mayor and two (2) Council Members, designated Places 1 & 2.

(Notifíquese por la presente, que los sitios de votación citadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 6 de Mayo de 2023, para votar en la Elección General para elegir un (1) alcalde y dos (2) miembros del consejo, designados en los lugares 1 y 2.)

#### LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES (UBICACIONES DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

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#### EARLY VOTING (VOTACIÓN ADELANTADA)

During early voting, a voter may vote at any of the locations listed below Between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 24, 2023 and ending on May 2, 2023.  
(Durante Votación Adelantada, los votantes podrán votar en cualquiera de los sitios de votación nombradas abajo, entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el día 24 de Abril, 2023 y terminado el día 2 de Mayo, 2023.)

#### MAIN EARLY VOTING LOCATION (SITIO PRINCIPAL DE VOTACIÓN ADELANTADA)

Pecos County Courthouse Annex, Election Room  
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#### Applications for ballots by mail (ABBM) must be received no later than the close of business on April 25, 2023.

(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán recibirse no más tardar de las horas de negocio el día 25 de Abril, 2023.)

#### Federal Post Card Application (FPCAs) must be received no later than the close of business on April 25, 2023.

(La Tarjeta Federal Postal de Solicitud deberán recibirse no más tardar de las horas de negocio el día 25 de Abril, 2023.)

#### Issued this 13th day of February 2023.

(Estimada este día 13 de Febrero, 2023.)

Signature of Mayor (Firma del Alcalde)



Kathy Valentine, left, of the Go Gos with Jimmie Vaughan at the Austin premiere. Courtesy Photo

## Brothers in Blues available on major streaming platforms

Stevie Ray Vaughan's meteoric career has been the subject of several books and documentary films, but none of these biographies had the cooperation of the person who knew Stevie best — his older brother Jimmie. Until now.

"Jimmie and Stevie Ray Vaughan: Brothers in Blues" has enjoyed the full support of Jimmie Vaughan, from sitting for interviews to sharing never-before-seen family photos, but also contains the memories of Stevie's contemporaries — Eric Clapton, Billy Gibbons, Jackson Browne and Nile Rodgers — as well as a host of the Vaughan brothers' early bandmates in Oak Cliff.

Last month the historic Paramount Theater in Austin hosted the premiere of the film to a sold-out crowd of 1,200 people, which included pop music artists Kathy Valentine of the Go Gos and Gary Clark, Jr.

The screening is the culmination of nearly five years of work by Fort Stockton resident Kirby Warnock. You don't normally hear "Fort Stockton" and "Hollywood" in the same sentence, but Warnock was able to pull it off with the help of the internet and Jimmie Vaughan.

Interviews were filmed in Los Angeles, Austin, Oak Cliff, and Midland. But, all of the editing, audio mixing and film correction was done via the internet using the app, Adobe Premiere.

The application allows for several people to work collaboratively online to edit a film without having to be in the same studio.

"I did all of it from my little office about six miles out of Fort Stockton," Warnock said. "Sandy Schwartz and Chase Arrington helped me edit it from their studios in Miami and Los Angeles, then Frank Pittenger did the audio mix from Dallas. But we were all working from the same digital file that was up in the cloud. It's just amazing that this

new technology permits this."

The film was picked up by Freestyle Media, which is owned by Byron Allen out of Hollywood, and is now available on AppleTV, iTunes, Amazon, Vudu, Sling and YouTube to rent, or purchase. DVD copies of the film may be ordered from Amazon.

Interviews with Billy Gibbons of ZZ Top were shot at the Midland Horseshoe Arena just before a concert there, while Eric Clapton was filmed at his hotel in Los Angeles the day before a concert at the LA Forum. Jackson Browne was interviewed in his studio in Santa Monica, while Nile Rodgers was captured in Dallas just before his show at the American Airlines Center.

Unlike other Texas blues players who went on to national fame after moving to California (Janis Joplin, Johnny Winter and Steve Miller), the Vaughan brothers remained in the Lone Star State, playing Texas nightclubs without the media coverage of Rolling Stone, Creem, Circus or The Village Voice.

Although Jimmie and Stevie built up a large and rabid fan base, it was all located in "flyover country" decades before the Internet, Tik-Tok or cell phones. That made getting signed to a record label much more difficult.

During this time, they built a reputation among the greatest rock stars of that era as being "a guitar player's guitar player," and soon celebrities such as Bob Dylan, Dickey Betts, Duane Allman, Billy Gibbons, Robert Potat, Dan Aykroyd, John Belushi, Mick Jagger and Muddy Waters were flocking to their shows in Texas bars at The Rome Inn, Antone's and Mother Blues.

Now, the entire tale, with plenty of never-before-told stories, is available for streaming online at <https://www.freestyledigitalmedia.tv/film/brothers-in-blues/>.

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# SPORTS

## Prowler sophomore sensations seal sweep of Maidens

By NATHAN HEUER  
PIONEER MANAGING EDITOR

In a contest where the Prowlers left the bases loaded twice, Mia Garcia's season-best performance at the plate and Fort Stockton's defensive performance in the final three innings of Tuesday's contest against Seminole proved to be the deciders.

Garcia's home run - her fourth dinger of the season - turned a 6-3 deficit into a 6-6 tie in the bottom of the second frame.

Fellow sophomore

Kriselda Porras sealed the victory for the Prowlers in the fourth inning via an RBI single, breaking a 7-7 tie and giving Fort Stockton an 8-7 victory.

The Prowlers defense played error free ball in the final three frames and recorded four fly-outs, four groundouts, and a fielder's choice.

Fort Stockton plated one run in the third inning to take a 7-6 advantage when Janean Gonzalez scored following a wild pitch.

Dmya Vaughn setup Gonzalez's tie-breaking

### 4A DISTRICT 3 SOFTBALL STANDINGS

- Monahans 8-0
- Andrews 6-2
- Pecos 4-4
- Greenwood 3-5
- Fort Stockton 2-6
- Seminole 1-7

run as she scratched out a two-out double to left field before Seminole's wild pitch occurred.

The Maidens tied the game in the top of the fourth inning on an RBI single by two-spot hitter Zoey Teichroeb.

Maiden leadoff hitter Valerie Reyes was pushed across home in the frame after the freshman made it on base via a Fort Stockton error.

Garcia led the Prowlers at the plate with a 3-for-4 performance. Porras and Adree Bueno followed with two hits apiece.

Porras started on the mound and allowed seven hits, three walks, five earned runs, and struck out one batter in 2 2/3 innings.

Aryanna Gonzalez tossed the last 4 1/3 frames and allowed two hits, one walk, no earned runs, and struck out one batter.

With the victory Fort Stockton secured the season sweep of the Maidens and kept their postseason hopes alive. The Prowlers will need to defeat the top two teams in their district standings in Andrews and Monahans, as well as have Greenwood lose their last two district contests.

Up next is senior night against the Lady Lobos on Friday, March 14 starting at 5 p.m.



Mia Garcia extrudes a big smile as she rounds second base following her three-run homer against Seminole on April 11 at Prowler Field. Photo by Nathan Heuer



Fort Stockton junior Ivanna Ortiz lays down a sacrifice bunt in the second inning of Tuesday's home contest against Seminole. Ortiz advanced Dmya Vaughn to second base on the play before Mia Garcia's home run later in the frame. Photo by Nathan Heuer



Prowler shortstop Dmya Vaughn hauls in a ground ball and ensues by throwing a runner out at first base during Fort Stockton's win against Seminole at home on April 11. Photo by Nathan Heuer

## ATHLETE of the WEEK



### ALFREDO MOLINA FORT STOCKTON BASEBALL

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# SPORTS

Thursday, April 13, 2023

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## Panthers suffer 1st run-rule defeat of season

By NATHAN HEUER  
PIONEER MANAGING EDITOR

Fort Stockton had only given up a double-digit run total to their opponents in two of their 23 games heading into Tuesday's road contest at Andrews.

The Mustangs made it three and secured the season sweep over the Panthers in a 15-4 victory in 4 1/2 innings.

The loss marks Fort Stockton's first run-rule defeat of the season and the most runs given up since a 16-15 season-opening loss to Brownfield.

The Panthers took a brief 3-0 lead in the top of the second inning, ignited by three consecutive singles to start the frame by Alfredo Molina, Xzavier Dominguez, and Rylan Nunez.

Marco Garcia added a single at the bottom of the order, capping the Panthers hits in the inning.

Andrews tallied 10 of their 13 hits in the bottom of the second frame and the third inning. The Mustang production at the plate, combined with five walks and a batter being hit by a pitch, led to six runs crossing home plate in each inning.

Andrews increased their 12-3 lead to 15-3 in the fourth inning with two hits, two walks, a batter being hit by a pitch, and a Fort Stockton error.

The Mustangs ended the game with a 13-6 hit advantage and committed one less error (3-2) than Fort Stockton.

Fort Stockton used five pitchers for the first time this season in a single game during Tuesday's contest.

Starter Rylan Nunez had the longest stint of the group, throwing two complete innings before his day was done on the mound. Nunez gave up seven hits, two walks, and six earned runs.

Julian Leyva recorded one out in 17 pitches in the third inning and was replaced by Felipe Sotelo after he gave up one hit, three walks, and four earned runs.

Sotelo recorded the Panthers first strikeout on the mound and retained pitching duties for Fort Stockton's final two outs of the third inning. The senior gave up two hits and two earned runs in the frame.

Cruz Rojas tallied one out on the mound to start the fourth inning. The senior gave up two walks, two



Fort Stockton junior Marco Garcia slides safely back to first base while Andrews' Daylon Jefcoats, left, is a tad late on a tag from a pickoff attempt. Photo by Shawn Yorks

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- Seminole 5-1
- Andrews 5-1
- Pecos 3-3
- Fort Stockton 2-4
- Greenwood 2-4
- Monahans 1-5



Fort Stockton first baseman Xzavier Dominguez attempts to snag a throw from a teammate during the Panthers home game against Andrews on April 4. Photo by Shawn Yorks

hits, and two earned runs before freshman Gerry Diaz took to the hill.

Diaz tallied two strikeouts in 10 pitches and allowed no hits or walks.

Cole Ivison led Andrews at the plate with three hits and five RBIs.

Dominguez paced the Panthers with two hits and an RBI.

Fort Stockton now enters a critical two-game series with Greenwood, who they are tied for fourth place in the district standings with.

The Panthers next home game will be at home against Greenwood on Friday, April 14. Varsity starts at 7 p.m. and JV starts at 4 p.m.



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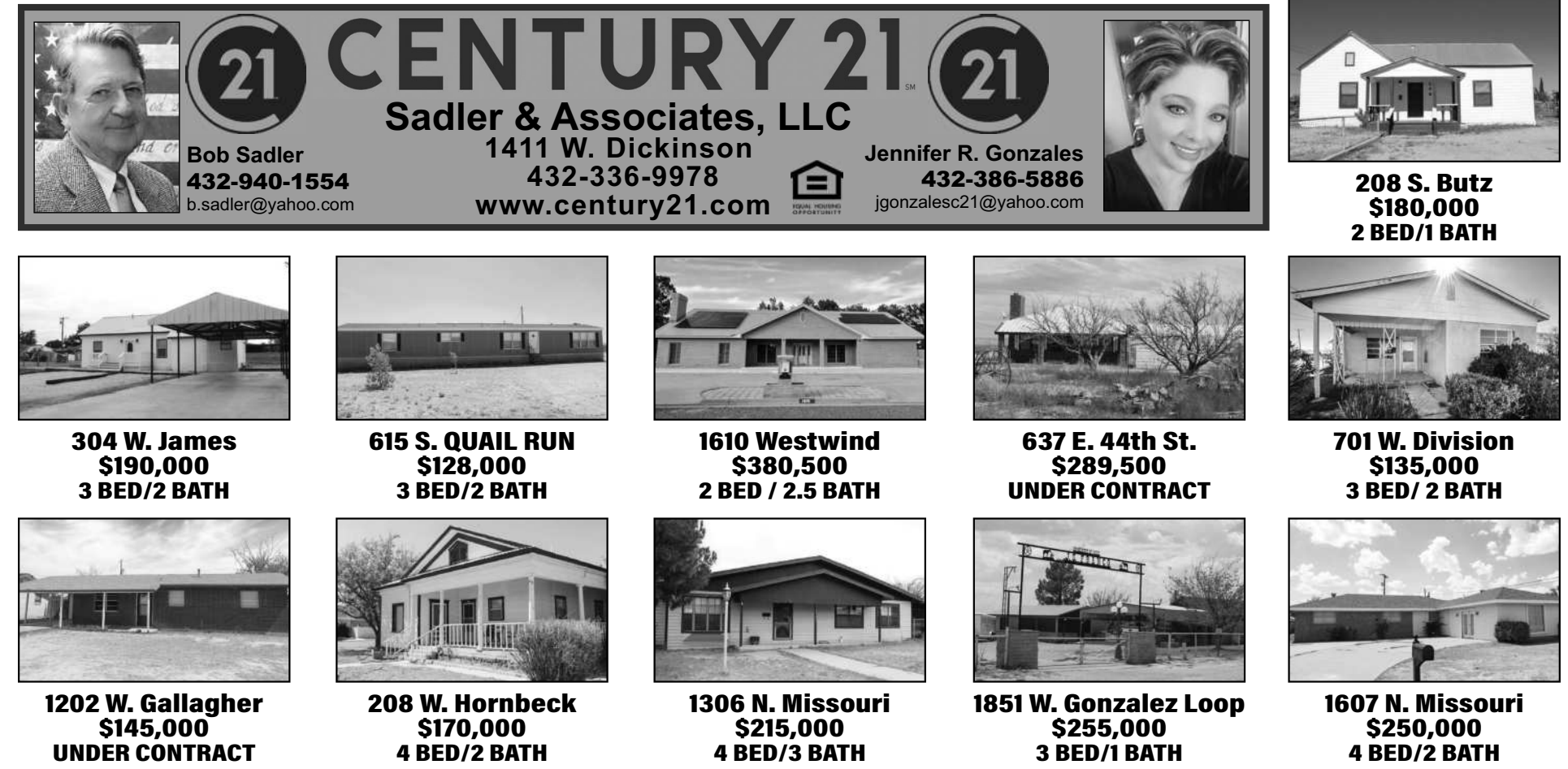
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P-C-2716-83-CV, Account No(s). 02171-00500-02000-000000(21765/1), PECOS COUNTY, ET AL VS. DENISE CALAHAN, AKA SHRYL DENISE CATES CALAHAN, Lots 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10, Block 5, Rogers Addition, an addition to the City of Imperial, Pecos County, Texas, as described in Volume 823, Page 130, Deed Records of Pecos County, Texas., with an adjudged value of \$79,030.00.

P-C-2716-83-CV, Account No(s). 02171-00500-01000-000000(21764/1), PECOS COUNTY, ET AL VS. DENISE CALAHAN, AKA SHRYL DENISE CATES CALAHAN, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, Block 5, Rogers Addition, an addition to the City of Imperial, Pecos County, Texas, as described in Volume 823, Page 130, Deed Records of Pecos County, Texas., with an adjudged value of 1,500.00.

P-C-2785-83-CV, Account No(s). 00165-00001-00700-000000(11252/1), PECOS COUNTY, ET AL VS. OSCAR MANUEL GALINDO, ET AL, 13.31 acres, more or less, out of Tract 3, Survey 1, Block 165, James Campbell Survey, Certificate 597, Abstract 5609, Pecos County, Texas, as described, as Tract 1, indeed dated August 14, 2017, from Bob Hughes to Oscar Manuel Galindo etal, in Clerk's File #2017-151027, Official Public Records of Pecos County, Texas., with an adjudged value of \$40,640.00

P-C-2785-83-CV, Account No(s). 00165-00001-01701-000000(11281/1, 00165-00001-01702-000000 and 32468/1), PECOS COUNTY, ET AL VS. OSCAR MANUEL GALINDO, ET AL, 34.239 acres, more or less, out of Tract 3, Survey 1, Block 165, James Campbell Survey, Abstract 5609, Pecos County, Texas, as described, as Tract 4, indeed dated August 14, 2017, from Bob Hughes to Oscar Manuel Galindo etal, in Clerk's File #2017-151027, Official Public Records of Pecos County, Texas., with an adjudged value of \$25,350.00

P-C-2785-83-CV, Account No(s). 00117-00002-02701-000000(42343/1), PECOS COUNTY, ET AL VS. OSCAR MANUEL GALINDO, ET AL, 0.42 acre, more or less, out of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of the GC & SF Survey, Section 2, Pecos County, Texas, as described, as Tract 3, indeed dated August 14, 2017, from Bob Hughes to Oscar Manuel Galindo etal, in Clerk's File #2017-151027, Official Public Records of Pecos County, Texas., with an adjudged value of \$360.00

P-C-2785-83-CV, Account No(s). 00165-00001-02100-000000(11283/1), PECOS COUNTY, ET AL VS. OSCAR MANUEL GALINDO, ET AL, 4.70 acres, more or less, out of Tract 3, Survey 1, James Campbell Survey, Abstract 7617, Pecos County, Texas, as described, as Tract 2, indeed dated May 8, 2002, from Elton Holland, Jr. to Stockton Feed, LLC, in Volume 735, Page 587, Deed Records of Pecos County, Texas., with an adjudged value of \$138,610.00

P-C-2785-83-CV, Account No(s). 00165-00001-01900-000000(11282/1), PECOS COUNTY, ET AL VS. OSCAR MANUEL GALINDO, ET AL, 12.57 acres, more or less, situated in Survey 1, Block 165, James Campbell Survey, Certificate 597, Abstract 7504, Pecos County, Texas, as described, a Tract 5, indeed dated January 26, 2009, from Ranchers Livestock, LLC to Stockton Feed, LLC, in Volume 803, Page 11, Deed Records of Pecos County, Texas., with an adjudged value of \$15,040.00

P-C-2785-83-CV, Account No(s). 00010-02043-00132-000000(34052/1), PECOS COUNTY, ET AL VS. OSCAR MANUEL GALINDO, ET AL, 5.00 acres, more or less, being Lot 14, Tract 490, Section 43, Block 10, H. & G. N. RR Co. Survey, Pecos County, Texas, as described indeed dated January 4, 2018, from Century Tree Investments, LLC to Oscar M. Galindo, in Clerk's File #2018-154013, Official Public Records of Pecos County, Texas., with an adjudged value of \$1,750.00

P-C-2800-83-CV, Account No(s). 01200-01500-99700-000000(16410/1), PECOS COUNTY, ET AL VS. DAVID G. CHILDS, AKA DAVID GLENN CHILDS, 75.00 feet by 150.00 feet, containing 0.258 acres, more or less, out of Block 15, F. J. Ellyson First Addition, an addition to the City of Fort Stockton, Pecos County, Texas, as described indeed dated February 1, 2016, from James A. Childs etux to David G. Childs, in Volume 182, Page 246, Official Public Records of Pecos County, Texas., with an adjudged value of \$47,730.00

(any volume and page references, unless otherwise indicated, being to the Deed Records, Pecos County, Texas, to which instruments reference may be made for a more complete description of each respective tract.) or, upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion of the property described above shall be sold to satisfy said judgment(s), interest, penalties, and cost; and any property sold shall be subject to the right of redemption of the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the time and in the manner provided by law, and shall be subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment(s) rendered in the above styled and numbered cause(s), together with interest, penalties, and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sales to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

Dated at Fort Stockton, Texas, 22 day of May, 2023

*Sheriff Tomas Perkins*  
 Sheriff Tomas Perkins  
 Pecos County, Texas

By: *Carrie J. Barkman*  
 Deputy

Notes:

The Minimum Bid is the lesser of the amount awarded in the judgment plus interest and costs or the adjudged value. However, the Minimum bid for a person owning an interest in the property or for a person who is a party to the suit (other than a taxing unit), is the aggregate amount of the judgments against the property plus all costs of suit and sale. ALL SALES SUBJECT TO CANCELLATION WITHOUT NOTICE. THERE MAY BE ADDITIONAL TAXES DUE ON THE PROPERTY WHICH HAVE BEEN ASSESSED SINCE THE DATE OF THE JUDGMENT. For more information, contact your attorney or LINEBARGER GOGGAN BLAIR & SAMPSON, LLP, attorney for plaintiffs, at (432) 332-9047

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**Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for an Off-Premises Package Store. Permit and Local Distributors Permit License by Jay Desai dba D2J Hardware LLC to be located 2100 W. Dickinson, Fort Stockton, Pecos County 79735.**

**NOTICE**  
 Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for Beer and Wine Permit by GlitzzyTrendz, LLC dba/ Glitzzy's Brew to be located at 1101 West Dickinson Blvd, Suite A & B, Fort Stockton, Pecos County, Texas 79735; including 1103 West Dickinson Blvd, Ste B, Fort Stockton, Pecos County, Texas 79735. Owners/Managers David & Sonya Vick.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration for the Estate of BEN WAYNE WEBB, Deceased, were issued on April 11, 2023, in Cause No. PR-3526, pending in the County Court of Pecos County, Texas, to: LINDA WEBB.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o: **JEFF A. WOFFORD**  
**ATTORNEY AT LAW**  
**P.O. BOX 190**  
**FORT STOCKTON, TEXAS 79735**

DATED the 11TH day of April 2023.

*/s/ Jeff Wofford*  
 JEFF WOFFORD  
 Attorney for LINDA WEBB  
 State Bar No.: 24048895  
 P.O. BOX 190  
 FORT STOCKTON, TX 79735  
 Telephone: (432) 336-7015  
 Facsimile: (432) 336-5523

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT IN A PRODUCTIVE FORMATION**

**Longfellow Energy, LP**  
**8115 Preston Road, Suite 800, Dallas, TX 75225**

is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a porous formation which is productive of oil or gas

The applicant proposes to inject oil and gas waste into the Caballos formation in its Allison Lease, Well Number 4803. The proposed injection well is located 28 miles NE of Marathon in the Pinon (Overthrust) Field, in Pecos County, Texas. The fluid waste will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 5690 to 5950 feet.

**LEGAL AUTHORITY:** Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of this application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792)

**NOTICE TO PROPOSERS**  
**Pecos County**

Pecos County is soliciting competitive sealed proposals for the Southside Fire Station project. For proposal information please contact Richard Schwope, 432-362-6565 richards@jsarch.com or documents may be downloaded from JSA Architects, Inc. website at [www.jsarch.com](http://www.jsarch.com). Proposals are to be submitted to Pecos County, located at 103 W. Callaghan, Fort Stockton, Texas, before 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 4, 2023, in the Auditor's Office. Pecos County does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age and disability in employment or the provision of services.

A pre-bid meeting will be held on Thursday, April 27, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. Proposers will meet at 608 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Fort Stockton, Texas. All Proposers are encouraged to attend.

A Bid Bond in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) will be required for all bids. The successful bidder will be required to enter into a general contract with Pecos County. Payment and Performance Bonds in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price will be required by Owner upon contract execution.

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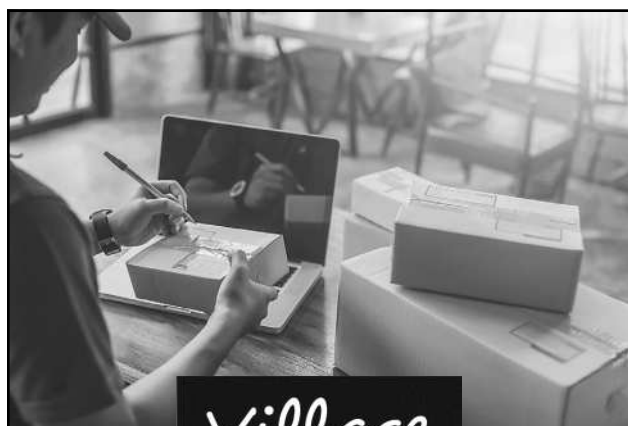
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**NOTICE OF DESTRUCTION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION RECORDS**

Request copies of records by May 10, 2023.  
Notice Date: April 10, 2023

Attention Parents/Guardians, Former Students, Eligible (Adult) Students:

Special Education records which have been collected by Pecos River Valley Cooperative for students who attended Buena Vista ISD, Grandfalls-Royalty ISD, Iraan-Sheffield Collegiate ISD, McCamey ISD, and Rankin ISD related to the identification, evaluation, educational placement, or the provision of Special Education in the district, must be maintained under state and federal laws for a period of seven years after Special Education services have ended for the student. Special Education services end when the student is no longer eligible for services, graduates, moves from the district, and/or completes his or her educational program at age 22.

This notification is to inform parents/guardians and former students of PRVC's intent to destroy the Special Education records of students who were no longer receiving Special Education services as of the end of the **2014-2015 (OR BEFORE)** school year. These records will be destroyed in accordance with state law unless the parent/guardian or eligible (adult) student notifies the school district otherwise.

With proof of identity, the parent/guardian or eligible (adult) student may request a copy of the records in person, by mail, or email at the following address:

Pecos River Valley Cooperative Attn: Norma Whaley, Director PO Box 974 McCamey, TX 79752 nwhealy@mcisd.esc18.net	Scheduled Pick up Location: 112 E. 11th Street McCamey, TX 79752 432-652-3666 x 339
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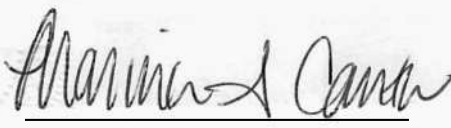
The written request for special education records scheduled for destruction must include the following information: (form will be provided)

- Student's full legal name
- Student's date of birth
- Date services ended
- Name and relationship of person requesting copies
- Statement indicating that there is no legal action against you that prohibits your rights to the records
- Signature and date (adult student or legal guardian)
- Mailing address the copies should be sent to or
- Contact information (phone number, email address) for notification when the records are ready to be picked up.

A valid picture ID must be presented at the time the records are picked up.  
Include a copy of picture ID for mailed copies

**NOTICE OF ORDER  
OF DEMOLITION**

Notice is hereby given by the Fort Stockton Substandard Building Committee that a hearing was held on April 6, 2023 in which the property located at 408 W Division Street Fort Stockton, TX 79735, was found to be unsafe based on Section 6-143 of the local code of ordinances and ordered to be demolished. A copy of the order of demolition may be found at the Fort Stockton City Secretary's Office located at 121 W. Second Street.



Marina A. Cantu,  
City Secretary

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION TO SWR 26/27 SURFACE COMMINGLING PERMIT:**

Notice is hereby given that Diamondback E&P LLC (RRCP-5#217012) has filed with the Texas Railroad Commission the following P-17 Application for the Exception to SWR 26 and/or 27 to surface commingle production from oil and gas leases: STATE CHAPMAN 26-27 UNIT (LEASE# 52084) and the STATE CLIFFHANGER 26-27 UNIT (LEASE# 52122) to the STATE CHAPMAN BATTERY. All wells are in the Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp) Field in Pecos County, Texas. This application is for off lease storage, common separation, common storage and casinghead gas metering by allocation by well test. Production will be allocated by W-10 Tests. Any royalty or working interest owners who have not received written notification, please consider this your Notice of Application. If you have objections to the issuance of this permit, you may submit a letter to P-17 Department, Railroad Commission of Texas, PO Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711. Unless the Railroad Commission receives a protest to this application, the Commission may issue a permit within 21 days following the date of last publication.

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## INMATE ARRESTS REPORT – PECOS COUNTY JAIL

*It is important to note that an arrest should not be considered as evidence of guilt. The defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.*

### APRIL 5

Bryan Kenneth Franco, of Fort Stockton at 4:27 p.m., officers with the Pecos County Sheriff's Office apprehended Franco on bench warrants for evading arrest detention with vehicle (Pecos County warrant) and theft of property more than or equal to \$1,500 less than \$20,000 (Winkler County warrant). Franco did not receive bonds for the charges and is still in jail.

### APRIL 6

Sally June Somers, of Fort Stockton at 11:43 a.m., officers with the Pecos County Sheriff's Office apprehended Somers on a warrant for MTA-theft property more than or equal to \$2,500 less than \$30,000. Somers received a \$5,000 bond and was released the same day.

Devin Rey Padilla, of Fort Stockton at 4:34 p.m., officers with the Fort Stockton Police Department apprehended Padilla and charged him with criminal mischief more than or equal to \$100 less than \$750. Padilla received a \$2,500 bond and is still in jail.

Carlos Adrian Escontrias, of Fort Stockton at 5:56 p.m., officers with the Department of Public Safety apprehended Escontrias on warrants for theft of property more than or equal to \$750 and driving while intoxicated while child under 15-years-old (Val Verde County warrant). Escontrias received bonds totaling \$252,000 and is still in jail.

Juan Alberto Garcia Torres, at 9:58 p.m., officers with the Department of Public Safety apprehended Garcia Torres and charged him with smuggling of persons. Garcia Torres received a \$15,000

bond and was released on April 7.

Adam Eli Herrera, of Fort Stockton at 10:37 p.m., officers with the Pecos County Sheriff's Office apprehended Herrera on a failure to appear warrant for criminal trespass. Herrera received a \$1,000 bond and was released on April 7.

Ancydra Gilbert, of San Antonio at 11:23 p.m., officers with the Department of Public Safety apprehended Gilbert and charged him with possession of marijuana less than two ounces. Gilbert received a \$500 PR bond and was released on April 7.

### APRIL 7

Myra Alejandra Rivera, of Presidio at 5:04 p.m., officers with the Fort Stockton Police Department apprehended Rivera on a failure to appear warrant for theft of property more than or equal to \$100 less than \$750 and additional warrants for CPF-speeding prima 10% above posted speed limit and CPF-driving while license suspended. Rivera received a \$1,000 bond for the failure to appear warrant and had payment arrangements made for her two traffic tickets. Rivera was released on April 8.

### APRIL 8

Carlos Ponce, of Fort

Stockton at 10:37 p.m., officers with the Pecos County Sheriff's Office apprehended Ponce and charged him with theft of firearm and unlawful possession of firearm by felon. Ponce received bonds totaling \$40,000 and was released on April 9.

### APRIL 9

Elliott Cordero Phylow, of Bellville at 11:31 p.m., officers with the Department of Public Safety apprehended Phylow and charged him with smuggling of persons and smuggling of persons under 18-years-old. Phylow received bonds totaling \$20,000 and is still in jail.

## GRANT

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"The mini grants are intended to help local artists create or exhibit their art. That's for musicians, performance artists, media artists, any type of artist," Gaylor said. "That's funds to help them do that to show the different types of art and culture that are available in Fort Stockton."

Walker successfully completed the application for the grant funds and recently finished a series of springlike paintings that will be on exhibit at the FMH Building, which is adjacent to the Fort Stockton Community Theatre.

The event opens on April 22, to the public and free to attend. Doors will open at 11 a.m., with the reception scheduled from 6-8 p.m.

"The SLAM aspect is having the art exhibited to show what I've accomplished with the monies

that were awarded," Walker noted.

The "flexible" paintings are on cotton canvas and a synthetic poly fiber.

"The poly fiber is used on airplane wings. So, it's extremely strong and translucent," Walker said. "I don't frame these pieces; hence, I consider them flexible art."

Walker will donate 20% of the proceeds from the sale of his paintings to Fort Stockton Community Theatre.

The price range for paintings will be from \$2,000 to \$3,000.

"That's a way I can give back as an artist," Walker added. "Renee Gaylor will be able to use me as an example of how to apply for the grant. They are going to show how that organization helping a local artist can exponentially and positively grant more money, so it multiplies to help another local organization that helps another non-profit."

## Senior Citizens Center to hold luncheon

The Pecos County Senior Citizens Center will host its Spring Salad Luncheon this Friday, April 14, starting at noon at the Senior Center, located at 1010 W. 14th St. in Fort Stockton.

Potato salad, tuna salad, pasta salad and drinks will be provided but all attendees are asked to please bring a salad or a dessert of their own making.

The Senior Citizens Center is open to all Pecos County residents 50 and older, with dues only \$5 per year. New members are welcome to sign up at the luncheon.

Regular activities include regular Skip Bo games, potluck luncheons, Memorial Day hot dog suppers, sing alongs and other events throughout the year.



A south Mississippi Pear Salad is one of the many offerings that will be served this Friday. Courtesy Photo

"It's a great way to get out of the house, meet new people and have a cool place to relax during the coming summer months," Kirby Warnock said. "For younger folks, it's a safe place for

your parents, or grandparents that will keep them active during the daylight hours."

For more information on the Spring Salad Luncheon, contact Maria Gilbert at 432-336-2302.

## WHITE ASPARAGUS

- Juice of 1-2 lemons
- 3 tablespoons of butter
- 2 tablespoons kosher salt
- 1 batch, (about 1-2 lbs.) white asparagus, peeled.

**DIRECTIONS:** Add the lemon juice, butter, and salt to a pot of water and bring to a simmer. Peel the asparagus and trim the ends. Simmer until tender. How long this takes will vary with the size of the asparagus so check them frequently.

## BAKED ASPARAGUS WITH PARMESAN CREAM SAUCE

- 4 oz heavy cream
- 1 oz grated Parmesan cheese
- 4 large asparagus spears
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 3 tablespoons chicken broth
- Salt, pepper, and paprika to taste

**DIRECTIONS:** Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Mix the cream and cheese, bring to a boil, and then simmer for five minutes. Season the sauce with salt and pepper. Trim the ends of the asparagus and peel them. Then blanch them for one minute in boiling salted water and then submerge in ice water. Place asparagus into a baking dish. Add chicken broth and butter and then place into oven until heated through, about 3-5 minutes. Arrange asparagus on plate, season with salt, pepper and paprika, and then drizzle with sauce.

## KARAN

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cherished by the Romans who ascribed it with medicinal properties. It won't cure any diseases, but it is a good source of vitamins A and C, folic acid, potassium, and fiber. Choose asparagus that are firm and bright green, with intact tips. Cook it as soon as possible as it deteriorates fairly rapidly. Store it in a plastic bag with a damp paper towel wrapped around the stems. It will last about three days. Cut off the last inch or two of the stem or wherever it snaps naturally when you bend it near the end. Large asparagus are more mature, less tender, and also need to be peeled.

White asparagus, which are more popular in Europe, are grown underground to prevent the development of chlorophyll. They are tenderer with a mild and nuttier taste. However, no matter what size, their exteriors are fibrous and always need to be peeled.

Asparagus is quite versatile. It can be cooked by virtually every cooking method. It can be boiled, steamed, simmered, grilled, roasted, sautéed, and fried.

It can be served cold or hot, pureed into soups, used in pasta sauce, etc.

If you have questions or would like to share some of your tips for working and living in Pecos County with our readers, please call me at the Pecos County AgriLife Extension Services, 432-336-2541. Make sure you check us out on the web or face book. The members of Texas A&M AgriLife will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity and will strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity throughout Texas A&M AgriLife.



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The Fort Stockton Lions Club held its annual Easter Egg Hunt Saturday at Rooney Park, with hundreds of children participating in the festivities. The Lions Club thanked its volunteers, and business sponsors Kessia Ledesma State Farm, the Mitchell Group, Nancy Olvera with Eternity Funeral Home and Toni Espinoza with Dickey's Barbecue. Photos by Shawn Yorks



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