Sen. Cornyn meets with regional leaders here

U.S. Senator John Cornyn heard concerns from border issues to energy to greater judicial representation during a Monday morning (April 9) meeting with Big Bend regional leaders, held at Sul Ross State University.

Cornyn, who was touring the region, including stops at McDonald Observatory and Big Bend National Park, held an hour-long, roundtable discussion with representatives from Brewster, Jeff Davis, Pecos and Presidio counties in the Morgan University Center.

“I didn’t come to talk, but mainly to listen,” Cornyn said in his brief remarks. He mentioned that taxes, the economy and the nation’s commercial relationship with Mexico remained very important.

Commerce with Mexico affects at least 40 states, not just U.S. border regions, said Cornyn, “and we need to tell that story better.”

At least one speaker agreed, noting that national media’s perception of the U.S.-Mexico border as an extremely dangerous region was detrimental to the region’s tourism.

“We need to be realistic about our borders,” he said. ‘The national press is really blowing it out of proportion and it’s costing us jobs.”

In Pecos County, concern about the future of energy production stems from discussion about placing the sand dune lizard on the endangered species list. Such designation could affect drilling efforts due to habitat concerns.

Cornyn said that the Senate was monitoring the issue closely. “We’re trying to avoid an unbalanced approach to this issue and not shoot ourselves in the foot.”

Cornyn also said he was working on sensible immigration legislation.

Border security remains a serious issue, but he wished to enact legislation that would encourage legal immigration while we discourage illegal immigration.”

‘Taste of Sul Ross International’ today

The International Students Organization, Career Services and Testing along with Title V are sponsoring a “Taste of Sul Ross International” this afternoon on the university mall beginning at 4:30 pm.

Foods from various countries will be served, including arepas from Venezuela and suya from Africa. Use caution when tasting some foods, they may be spicy!

This event is free and open to the public.

The brainchild of Babatunde “BB” Babajide, graduate student, the event hopes to introduce American students to their peers from outside the U.S. by giving them a taste of international delicacies from faraway lands such as Venezuela, Sicily, Italy, Japan, Bangladesh, Nigeria, Mexico and Germany.

“I wanted to have an informal gathering,” BB said. “Everyone from somewhere else can say, ‘Hey, I’m proud of where I’m from,’ and show a little of their culture to the Sul Ross community.”

A mariachi band will entertain diners as they enjoy a taste of other lands.

Student Life Awards deadline extended

Every year, clubs and organizations from all over campus are honored for all their hard work during the school year.

Nominations are taken for a variety of awards from “Advisor of the Year” to a “Campus Leadership Award.”

The deadline for applications for five Student Life Awards has been extended to Friday, April 13 at 5 pm, according to Jeff Blake, Campus Activities.

Nomination forms are still being solicited for Student Organization Award, Community Service Award, University Leadership Award, Student Leadership Award, and Student Organization Advisor Award.

Nomination forms may be picked up at the Campus Activities office, UC 106; by calling 432-837-8191; or by emailing Blake at jblake@sulross.edu.

Awards will be presented April 26.
Students present work at Graduate Research Showcase

Jason Hennington

 Sul Ross State University students presented numerous research projects during the second annual Graduate Research Showcase.

The showcase was held April 4, recognized excellence in graduate research in Natural Sciences and Humanities. The showcase was held upstairs in the Morgan University Center on campus in two different rooms, one for Natural Science and the other for Humanities. Poster presentations were on display in the foyer.

Dr. Sharon Hileman, Department Chair of Languages and Literature, believes that this showcase is a great opportunity for the students. “I think it’s a wonderful opportunity for graduate students to practice giving oral presentations,” she said. “Later they will go to other conferences and give presentations in their fields.”

The presentations were chosen by a committee of faculty members in Arts and Sciences, along with Mary Bennett, Director of the McNair program.

“The students spend so much time on their thesis, and this is the only way they can conduct a public presentation on their research,” Hileman said. “This gives them an audience.”

Each student was given 15 minutes for their presentations, which ranged from Power Point presentations to music samples to short Power Point presentations included: Melinda Dooley, Alpine, Arthropod Ecology of Carion Resources in the Trans-Pecos Region; Jesus Hermosillo, Presidio, Hydrologic, Geomorphic and GIS Analysis and Development of an Interfaced Sediment/Discharge Sampling Station as a Means to Quantifying a Sediment Budget for the Upper Terlingua Creek Wasteland; Kody Kubala, El Campo, Ectoparasite Diversity and Rickettsia Testing of Ectoparasites on Feral Swine (Sus Scrofa) and Collared Peccaries (Pecari Tayacu) in the Davis Mountains of Texas; Seth Sonnier, Alpine, Detailed Mapping of the Lost Mine Trail and Casa Grande Area Involving Petrological Analysis of the Casa Grande Lava Dome and Localized Dikes, Chisos Mountains, Big Bend National Park, Texas; Laura Tang, Westminster, CA, A Survey of the Microbial Diversity from Two Distinct Locations within the Chihuahuan Desert Research Institute; A Perpetual Spring and a Desert Soil Site; Rusty Woodburn, Amarillo, The Influence of the Edwards-Trinity Aquifer on the Pecos River: A Reconnaissance Study of Discharge and Geochemistry.

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The two major issues of this meeting consisted of the impeachment of absentee seniors and the BSA asking for a large portion of UFO funds.

Sixteen seniors are to be notified of their impeachment and will be asked to suggest position replacements.

Earnest Jones gave a vocal presentation, sharing how the BSA has blessed the community outside of the college campus and how they are known on campus for being very active and involved. The club requested $5,000 for an upcoming trip to Washington, DC where they hope to learn more about the history of African Americans.

In order to receive UFO funds, an organization is required to have a representative attend at least 75 percent of the BSA meetings throughout the year. The BSA met this requirement by attending this meeting.

The assembly discussed the requests and two amounts were presented for voting. The BSA was approved for $3,750 to be used for airfare. Also, anyone who would like to run for an executive position on next fall’s slate of candidates should pick up an application in the Student Life Office (UC 211). Elections will be held April 24 and 25.

The final SGA meeting of this semester will be held April 16 in Warnock room 201 at 5:30 pm.

Baptist Student Ministry Scholarship fund established

A new scholarship fund will award $1,000 per semester to qualifying Sul Ross State University student.

The Baptist Student Ministry Scholarship Fund, established earlier this month, will provide a scholarship of $1,000 per semester to a qualifying member of the Baptist Student Ministry Organization.

Applicants must also be fully admitted students enrolled in 12 or more semester credit hours and of sophomore or higher classification, maintaining a 2.0 or higher grade point average. Preference may be given to applicants with a demonstrated financial need and applicants that come from a single parent household.

Scholarship selections will be made by the Sul Ross Scholarship Committee and may include recommendations from the Baptist Student Ministry.

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The Student Government Association met for their next annual Graduate Research Showcase. Photo by Jason Hennington

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Know your candidates before voting

Angela Greenroy  
Reporter

Due to redistricting, the Texas primary elections have been rescheduled for May 29th. It’s obvious that President Barack Obama will be running for the Democratic Party as the incumbent. It’s unlikely that Americans know the names of other candidates running in the Democratic primary.

The Republican primary is another story. It has come down to three candidates: Newt Gingrich, Ron Paul and Mitt Romney. The current delegate count shows Romney in the clear lead, but the race is not over yet.

Total delegates from all the states equal 2,286. A candidate needs 1,144 to win; Texas has 155. In the month of June, six more states will hold primaries.

As a rule, Americans tend to vote strategically rather than sincerely. This means your heart may lean toward a specific candidate, but you will vote for the one most likely to win. In the primary, you can vote sincerely for a Democrat, Republican, or a candidate from a smaller party and save your strategic vote for the deciding presidential election. Do you know the candidates? It’s understandable that life often gets in the way of politics, but it is important that we cast our vote and help to decide who will represent us and how we will be represented.

The Skyline strongly encourages you to vote in the upcoming elections. It is not too late to register to vote. The registration deadline is April 30. Registration cards can be found at the old post office on East Ave. E or you can come by the Skyline office in BAB 106.

To find out more about the candidates and where they stand on specific issues, you can visit http://www.votesmart.org/voteeasy. This page is user friendly, unbiased, and lists the top candidates from various parties.

See you at the polls May 29th.

Our internet freedom is at risk (again)

By Joshua Castro

Sigh... Our wonderful legislatures are doing it again! Making bogus laws in the name of national security. This time they’re trying to pass the “Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act” (CISPA). You may have heard about the Stop Online Piracy Act (SOPA), well this is way worse.

In a nut shell, this bill was introduced back in November but at the end of this month Congress plans to move forward with it even after public outrage over what this kind of law could lead to. The wording is very broad and would make it legal for private companies to work with the government and share “cyber threat intelligence/information” in order to improve cybersecurity.

CISPA contains few limits on how and when the government may monitor private information, and few safeguards are included as to how the data may be used. In one of the many articles opposing CISPA, TechDirt.com explains it best: “The bill specifically prohibits the government from requiring anyone to hand over information, or offering any sort of ‘quid pro quo’ data sharing arrangement. Sharing information is voluntary, and as far as the bill’s supporters are concerned, that should end the debate. Of course, as we’ve seen with things like the warrantless wiretapping scandal, complicity between companies and the government, even when legally questionable, is common and widespread. But even if the safeguards work, CISPA will undoubtedly allow for invasions of privacy that amount to surveillance.”

Firstly, while the rep.’s insist that the bill only applies to companies and not individuals, that’s very disingenuous. CISPA states that the entity providing the information cannot be an individual or be working for an individual, but the data they share (traffic, user activity, etc.) will absolutely include information about individuals. There is no incentive in the bill to anonymize this data—there is only a clause permitting anonymization which is meaningless since the choice of what data to share is already voluntary. Note that any existing legal protections of user privacy will not apply: the bill clearly states that the information may be shared “notwithstanding any other provision of law.”

Another mind-blowing fact about this whole dilemma is, that many of the companies who were against SOPA, are now supporting CISPA. The biggest names include Facebook, AT&T, Verizon, Microsoft and IBM.

So, what’s going on here? Something isn’t right and there is always something wrong with what Big Brother is doing. The internet shouldn’t be messed with by our federal government; this isn’t communist China.

Maybe if they could come up with something that isn’t so vague, then it wouldn’t be such a big deal. But when you’re asked to approve of something that is as clear as a doctor’s handwriting, eyebrows get raised.

Remembering Davy Crockett and the Alamo

By Steve Lang  
Reporters

“Davy Crockett at the Alamo” in the mid-1950s. The Lang family purchased one of the first TV sets in Erdahl, and on that day, the forces of nature presumably cooperated to bring the one available channel into focus.

Davy Crockett, starring Fess Parker, aired when I was a first grader, but the coonskin cap tickled my nose for at least another year. My birthday and Christmas gifts were easy selections for my parents.

One year, it was the Davy coonskin cap and a toy powder horn that one could blow into, creating a cacophony of sounds not unlike a bicycle run through a metal shredder.

In between special days, for a nickel, one could forgo baseball cards and buy a pack of Topps Davy Crockett action cards.

Like some of my other
Steampunk is a style comprised of Edwardian and Victorian era motifs coupled with modern and futuristic vision. Fashion, music and functional art have all adapted the unique genre.

Theo Jansen has spent years perfecting his wind animals. Electrical piping, wind, vision and a great deal of ingenuity go in the process of creating and building these creatures that move without human manipulation.

Melora Creager has been fronting the New York based avant cello project Rasputina since the early 90’s. Songs not only include original works but also covers from the 40’s-70’s and remixes from the likes of Marilyn Manson.
Enos gets Bar-SR-Bar Award for employee excellence

Students inducted into honor societies

Eighteen Sul Ross State University students were inducted into three honor societies during a ceremony held Tuesday, March 27 by the Department of Behavioral and Social Sciences.

Initiation ceremonies were held for Phi Alpha Theta, the national history honor society; Pi Sigma Alpha, the national political science honor society; and Psi Chi, the national psychology honor society. The event was held in the Gallego Center, Room 129.

New Phi Alpha Theta members are: Sara Ameen, El Paso; David Lattimer, Alpine; Aaron Razo, Marfa; Chelsea Rios, Marfa; Jesus Villa, Presidio; Joseph Walden, Cleburne; and Victoria White, Austin.

They joined existing members Carla Parsons, Alpine; and Kitty Sibayan, Fort Davis.

New Pi Sigma Alpha members are: Mark Bradford, DeLeon; Johnathan Cruz, San Antonio; Greg Gonzales, San Antonio; Angela Greenroy, Alpine; Jennifer Ritchey, Abilene; Maria Victoria Terrazas, Presidio; Villa; John Allen Quisenberry, Midland; and Amanda D. Tilley, Graford.

Moises Morales, Fort Hancock, is an existing member.

New Psi Chi members include: Clarissa Brotherston, Sanderson; and Kaitlin Ybarra, Alpine.

Existing members are Emily Dawn Herrera, Liberty; Patti Godbold, Marfa; and Jesse Molina, Marfa.

Students present papers at Cleveland McNair conference

Three Sul Ross State University communication students presented their McNair Project papers in Cleveland, Ohio at the Undergraduate Honors Conference of the Central States Communication Association on March 30-31.

Over 100 undergraduates from colleges and universities located in the central US submitted papers to be included in the McNair Program, named after Ronald E. McNair, the first African American astronaut, is designed to assist low income, first generation, and/or underrepresented students earn doctoral degrees.

The program assists students to prepare for and pass the GRE, LSAT, and MCAT tests, as well as apply for doctoral programs at other institutions.

The McNair program also sponsors travel to graduate fairs and symposiums, along with periodic workshops on how to find and secure graduate funding for involved students.

To watch the weekly video news report with sports, and weather, visit the “Sul Ross Skyline” facebook page.
Forensics firearms classes offer a unique opportunity

Jason Hennington
News Writer

Sul Ross State University, through the Department of Criminal Justice is offering students a unique opportunity to look at firearms. Dr. Robert Hunter, Department Chair of Criminal Justice, offers a class each long semester, “Forensics Ballistics” in the Fall Semester and “Firearms, Cops, and Crooks” in the Spring Semester. Both classes are an offshoot of a long-standing Criminal Investigation class that he has offered for years.

“If the Criminal Investigation class maybe one-third of that class was firearms, but it was such a big topic I’ve not covered the firearms parts into two specialized classes to exhaust the detail of the subject,” he said.

Hunter explains that “Forensic Ballistics” is a more highly technical class than the “Firearms, Cops, and Crooks” that is offered in the Spring. The “Forensics Ballistics” class goes into great detail and focuses more about what physical evidence may be found during a criminal investigation. Aspects of the 4th Amendment Search and Seizure along with criminal investigation techniques are emphasized in class.

“A criminal trial is really very simple. It is a fight over evidence. If you don’t have any evidence – you don’t have any case – game over. Therefore, the legal collection and examination of evidence is crucial to any criminal conviction.”

“Most of our students want to become Law Enforcement officers,” Hunter added. “This class prepares them. When our graduates go out to a crime scene, they need to know what they’re looking for and what they are looking at. They can see something and they can recognize it because they’ve seen it in class, or they have some general knowledge of what it is they have discovered during the course of the investigation. This is a valuable technical skill-set.”

The “Forensic Ballistics” class also delves deeply into the different types of firearms, and gives students a chance to go out to the shooting range to learn more about the weapons.

“It’s a detailed forensic class; they learn about different firearms, the investigation of firearms-related crimes, they get some hands-on familiarity with firearms. I take them to the range, they’re exposed to it, they get to shoot, and they get to do a lot of things that get them up to speed with firearms,” Hunter said.

The reason Hunter takes the class to the range is to help them understand more about the weapons, and give them a chance to use the weapons first-hand.

“A lot of people see stuff on TV or video games, and a big point I try to make in both classes is to demonstrate to students that what they are seeing or what they think they believe, may not be reality,” he said. “I demonstrate different firearms to them so they can see the power, the tremendous destructive force, and the consequences of using a firearm.”

Hunter believes the classes are very different in style, but both give different information on the same subject.

“The class in the Fall Semester is very technical, while the class in the Spring offers a broader picture of firearms than the Forensics class,” he said.

Students enjoy the classes, and believe they are gaining knowledge in the field. Criminal Justice major Jason Renforth, Odessa, explains there is a large range of information covered in the class.

“Everything from ballistic math to different types of handguns, rifles, shotguns, even to the ballistics of ammunition and each of those weapons,” he said.

Marcy Zamora, Van Horn, explains how deep the class goes into firearms.

“It’s about firearms, the mechanics of a firearm, cartridges, and bullet sizes,” she said. “I’ve learned a lot about the guns and pistols because I really didn’t know anything about it. I wasn’t too familiar with guns or weapons. I’ve learned to at least identify some.”

Zamora had never used a firearm prior to the class, but has been out to the range five times all together between the two semesters. The idea of learning more about firearms was what sparked her interest in the class.

“I’m learning about the weapons, other than being one of my required Criminal Justice classes, I really wanted to learn about firearms and what they actually do,” she explained.

Renforth took the first part of the class, who had some knowledge of the weapons, but he also became more intrigued with firearms after the class.

Both Renforth and Zamora said their favorite part of the class is going out to the range to shoot.

“I really like the class, it’s pretty good,” Renforth said. “Dr. Hunter is pretty good about covering cool stuff that people aren’t going to figure out on their own.”

Hunter explains that Sheriff Ronny Dossen of the Bexar County Sheriff’s Office has been a large part of the success for the class.

“The Sheriff has always been very accommodating and supportive of these classes. Many times one of the deputies will assist us watching the students during live fire at the range. Anything I’ve ever asked for, they’ve given us. You can’t say anything bad about the Sheriff’s Office.”

Hunter added that the Big Bend Sportsman’s Club and its President, David Arnold, have also been a great community partner with the firearms classes.

“We don’t have a range so every student that takes this class becomes a member of the Big Bend Sportsman’s Club,” he said. “I don’t just take them out there really, every single one of them is a card-carrying member of the club. The students have a stake in the facility and the club.”

This gives the students the option to go to the range on their own for additional practice.

“Students from my classes have had training. They have been taught firearms safety. When they leave these classes they know right from wrong. Student membership with the Big Bend Sportsman’s Club helps support them, and the club helps support us.” Hunter said. “One hand washes the other, and it works out really well.”

According to Hunter, most of the students in the class want to be police officers, and a number of FBI agents, Border Patrol agents, County Sheriffs, DPS officers, Game Wardens and even one Royal Canadian Mounted Police officer (RCMP) have come from the Sul Ross Criminal Justice Program.

“In West Texas we have a strong rural influence and excellent representation of our SRSU students within the law enforcement community,” he said. “We’re offering here at Sul Ross, what I think, is an exceptional class that will help one of our students get a job, help them keep that job, keep them safe, and be professional, all things we expect of American law enforcement and criminal justice folks. My standards and expectations of students are high. Our SRSU Criminal Justice graduates can compete with the best of them – no question.”

For more information about the class contact the Criminal Justice department at 432-837-8166 or email rhunter@sulross.edu.
Sul Ross' Skyline newspaper, Brand yearbook and Sage literary magazine received 16 awards at the annual Texas Intercollegiate Press Association's (TIPA) annual conference and contest last weekend in Corpus Christi.

Senior Peter Dindinger won an honorable mention in Sports Action Photo at the on-site live contest, his tenth career TIPA award in photography. His other 2012 TIPA awards included first place, Sports Action Photo (newspaper); first, Sports Action Photo (yearbook); honorable mention, Sports Feature Photo, yearbook; and one award with senior Ivonne Arellano: honorable mention, Photo Story (newspaper).

Graduate Sylvia Samayoa, Brand editor, won three awards in the previously published category for yearbooks: first place, End Sheets; honorable mention, Cover Design; and first, Title Page. Samayoa graduated last year.

Other winners were William H. Darby III, third place, Short Story (literary magazine); Adam Robert Hendrick, first place, Poem (literary magazine); Joshua Castro, second, Feature Photo (yearbook); Brooke Bankston, first, Sports Package (yearbook); The Sage, first place, Cover Design (literary magazine); Veronica Alvarez, honorable mention, Essay (literary magazine); Brenda Gallegos, honorable mention, Opening Spread (yearbook); and Cara Bonin, honorable mention, In-Depth Reporting (newspaper). Eight students attended the three-day statewide conference where they attended workshops and entered on-site contests. They included Thalia Aparicio, Brooke Bankston, Cara Bonin, Josh Castro, Peter Dindinger, Brenda Gallegos, Jazmin Gonzalez and Angela Greenroy. Jason Hennington, advisor, accompanied the group.

The trip was motivational, educational, enlightening and conducive to a more productive publication.

-Cara Bonin
Rodeo team reaches championship go-rounds

James R. Smith
Contributor

Sul Ross rodeo team members consistently have been reaching the championship go-round at the spring college rodeos. This past week Jared Harris took things a step further and won the calf roping event with an 8.7 second time in the short go-round.

Jessica Wood had an 8.5 second run to move her into the short go, where she bested that with a 7.9, putting her in 5th place. Sadie Sacra advanced to the short go and was 3.4 in the breakaway roping and Coley Ship was 59 points in the bronc riding short go.

The previous week in Odessa saw Ryder Locke (steer wrestling) and Chad Engle (team roping), both make the short go round. Jessica Wood placed 11th in the Goat Tying with a time of 8.7. Molly Jo Collins roped a difficult calf in the breakaway roping for 3.9 and barely missed going to the short go.

The Ranch Horse Competition Team also had a good week before. The Sul Ross Team finished third in the overall competition. Out of 32 competitors, Nikki Woodward won second place in the Reining.

In the Limited Non-Pro Division there were 40 entries. Clay Elliot was 5th in the “Cow Works” Class and 6th in the Pleasure Class. In the Novice Division, Luke Hendryx beat out 51 other contestants to win the Pleasure class and was 6th in the Trail Class.

A special thanks to Richard “Whitty” Whittenburg for getting these photos.

Math seminar looks at the sinking of the Titanic 100 years ago

Dr. Elizabeth A. Measures will use some basic math to bring some life back to the RMS Titanic on the 100 year anniversary of its sinking. The seminar will be held Friday, April 13 beginning at 2 pm in ACR 204 and will put the Titanic into some mathematical perspective.

The story of the RMS Titanic has survived for 100 years but the ship was a little over 3 years old when she went down, having never completed her first voyage. She was proclaimed to be the largest ocean liner of her day. Her design was innovative.

Her passengers ranged from the ultra-rich of two continents to the poor immigrants of the Old World looking for opportunity in the New World.

An encounter with an iceberg on a cold mid-April night brought the reality home of too few lifeboats, no lifeboat drills and no lifeboat assignments. The ship touted as unsinkable was sinking.

We will use some basic math to bring some life back to Titanic on its Centennial.

How long a time is 100 years? What was the world of 1912 like?

We will get an idea of how large the ship actually was by relating it to everyday things in our world. We will determine how much larger the ship was in comparison to other liners of her day.

We will also relate 1912 ticket price to 2012 dollars.

We will relate the number of passengers and crew to our Sul Ross community. We will determine the probability of getting on one of the lifeboats.

We will look at various rates of water coming into the ship and rate of sinking of the ship. We will look at the depth of the water and the pressure under which Titanic now lies.
Lady Lobos swept by Concordia

Brian LaLima
Sports Writer

The Sul Ross softball team was swept by Concordia University in ASC Conference play in Austin on April 6 and 7. In game one, the Lady Lobos faced an early deficit as Concordia took a 7-0 lead into the third inning.

Sul Ross then gave up three more runs in the fourth and were unable to manufacture any runs.

Concordia won the first game in a five inning run rule, 10-0.

The second game had a similar outcome for the Lady Lobos.

Sul Ross got on the board in the first as Amanda Garza reached on an error, advancing to second and then stealing third.

Julie Kalmus hit an RBI groundout, scoring Garza. Concordia scored three runs in the bottom of the second to take the lead 3-1.

The Tornados scored five runs in the fifth inning and another in the sixth while holding the Lady Lobos to one run. Sul Ross dropped the game, 9-1.

Game three saw Concordia take a 4-0 lead after the second inning.

Sul Ross gave up another run in the fourth and fifth inning.

The Lady Lobos were held scoreless throughout the game as Sul Ross fell, 6-0.

In the fourth and final game of the series, the Lady Lobos took a 1-0 lead in the top of the first inning as Amanda Garza singled and then advanced to second on a wild pitch.

Two batters later, Clarissa Lara singled advancing Garza to third. Garza then scored on an error by the shortstop.

Concordia took back the lead in the second inning by scoring two runs making the score 2-1.

Over the next two innings, Sul Ross gave up seven runs and trailed 9-1.

The Lady Lobos were unable to score as Concordia closed out the series with a win in game four, 9-1.

The Lady Lobos are now 4-28 (1-15 ASC) on the season and will host Howard Payne University in their final home series on April 13 and 14 at Lady Lobo Field.

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Lobo baseball goes 1-2 against UMHB

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Emmett Crisp kicked off a home series against The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor on April 5 and 6 by hitting a walk-off RBI-single to give the Lobos a game one victory.

Luke Fry was on the mound for Sul Ross and kept UMHB scoreless for the first three innings. The Lobos took a 1-0 lead in the third when Justin Jones hit an RBI-single scoring Mikey Apodaca.

The following inning, the Crusaders exploded for an eight spot to lead 8-1. Sul Ross scratched across a run in the bottom of the fourth to make the score 8-2.

Fry held UMHB scoreless over the next three innings. The Lobos put across two runs in the fifth to chip away at UMHB's lead but still trailed 8-4.

Isaac Molina came in to relieve Fry in the top of the eighth inning. Molina gave up one run as the Crusaders led 9-4.

In the bottom of the inning, starting with a Dakota Dill triple, Sul Ross scored five runs to tie the game at nine.

Acy Kimbro started game two for the Lobos and saw UMHB jump out to a quick 9-0 lead by the third inning.

Sul Ross scored two runs in the bottom of the third to cut the lead to 9-2. The Lobos plated four in the bottom of the fourth inning to trail 9-6. With bases loaded, Dill walked, scoring Marty Ballez. Pedro Saenz then scored on a wild pitch.

Two batters later, Mata walked scoring Zach Hopson. Dill came across on a walk issued to Justin Jones. The Crusaders scored a run in the top of the sixth inning on an “iffy” balk called by the field umpire to lead 10-6.

Emmett Crisp hit a three-run homerun to cut the lead to 10-9 in the bottom of the sixth. Sul Ross was unable to score in the bottom of the seventh as UMHB won, 10-9.

Kimbro allowed four runs on eight hits while recording two strikeouts in 2 1/3 innings.

Game three was quiet until the fourth inning when the Crusaders scored two runs off of Sul Ross’ starting pitcher, Anthony Trevino.

UMHB improved their lead, scoring a run in the fifth to lead 3-0.

In the bottom of the sixth, Pedro Saenz hit a single to score Justin Jones and cut the lead to 3-1.

Sul Ross gave up another run in the seventh, trailing 4-1.

The Lobos attempted to rally in the bottom half of the ninth. With two runners on and two outs Jones hit an RBI-single scoring Apodaca. With runners in scoring position, UMHB shut the door on the Lobos and recorded the final out taking game three, 4-2.

Sul Ross is now 7-26 (3-12 ASC) on the year and will travel to Brownwood to play Howard Payne University on April 13 and 14.

From top, Sul Ross second baseman tags out UMHB runner. Photo by Peter Dindinger. UMHB third baseman waits for the ball to attempt to throw the Sul Ross runner out. Photo by Jason Hennington. It’s close, but the UMHB runner is safe. Photo by Thalia Aparecio

Students present at Graduate Student Showcase:

Andrew Ross, Garland, “Animal Within Us”: Thoreau’s Use of Hunting and Fishing;

Elizabeth Steele, El Paso, Thoreau and Science Fiction Film;

The three poster presentations were all from Natural Sciences and included: Taylor Bruecher, Round Rock, Maximum Discharge Estimates for Terlingua Creek at the Highway 170 Bridge, Terlingua, Texas;


Asher Lichtig, River Hills, WI, Environmental Preferences of Cretaceous Turtles of the San Juan Basin New Mexico.

Hileman hopes that more graduate students will become interested in participating after attending the showcase.

“We really want participation from graduate students in all areas of Arts and Sciences,” she said.