

the Brazos River. Considered the largest preserved find from Texas, this 1,635-pound meteorite was venerated by several Indian cultures for its supposed healing powers and is currently housed at the Peabody Museum of Natural History at Yale University. Other finds in

Texas include the 500-foot-diameter Meteor Crater at Odessa, the third largest crater in the United States, and the Peña Blanca Spring meteorite, which plunged into a swimming pool on the Gage Ranch in Brewster County on August 2, 1946.

Summer robotics camps available for middle schoolers

Angelo State University's Department of Teacher Education will once again host its free "Camp Code" Robotics Camps for local and area middle school students this summer on the ASU campus.

Each five-day, non-residential camp is open to students who will be entering sixth, seventh or eighth grade this fall. Participants will learn to build and program robots using the LEGO Mindstorms hardware/software platform.

The Robotics Camps are all beginner camps this year and will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day on the following dates: July 24 - 28, July 31 - August 4.

All the camps are free to all participants - and T-shirts and

lunches will be provided. Applications for the camps are available at angelo.edu/camp-code.

In addition to coding and robotics instruction, the camps will also feature sessions on team building, information on opportunities to join groups or organizations focused on coding activities, and information on careers in coding, robotics and technology.

The Robotics Camps are funded by a \$29,861 grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services through the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC). This marks the fifth straight year ASU has won a TWC grant to underwrite the camps.

May is National Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month

As motorcycle fatalities continue to rise and the spring weather draws more riders to Texas roadways, TxDOT is urging drivers to look twice and be considerate on the road around motorcycle riders.

Amy Jo Miller was enjoying a ride on the back of her boyfriend's motorcycle in Bell County when an inattentive driver turned left in front of them, hitting the bike and throwing her across the road. Seconds later, another vehicle then ran her over in a hit-and-run crash, leaving her with multiple serious injuries. Fortunately, she survived, but 15 years later, Amy Jo is still recovering from her injuries.

Amy Jo, now 49, is just one of thousands of Texas motorcyclists seriously injured—or worse, killed—in crashes every year. In 2022, 562 motorcycle riders were killed in motor vehicle crashes, an 8% increase over the previous year.

"People on motorcycles are more vulnerable on our roadways," said TxDOT Executive Director Marc Williams. "It's important for drivers to pay extra attention and look out for motorcycles — especially at intersections, when turning in front of oncoming traffic and while changing lanes. We all want to get home safe."

Free youth leadership camp to be held in June

The Alcohol & Drug Awareness Center for the Concho Valley and The Concho Valley C.A.R.E.S. (Community Action and Resources for Empowerment and Success) Coalition are hosting a 2 week Summer Youth Leadership Camp. Dates are June 12 - June 16 and June 19 - June 23, 2023, from 9 am - 12 pm, daily. This year's camp will be located at Kairos Christian Center at 2600 Chestnut St, San Angelo, Texas, 76901. Pick up and drop off will be at Kairos Christian Center. Camp is open to all upcoming 5th graders through upcoming 7th graders. The deadline to register is May 26. Space is limited!

Why Leadership Camp? Positive Leaders in the school setting are positive INFLUENCERS to everyone. These leaders help to promote positivity in their school not only by what they do but also what they DON'T do. We want to train our youth to be leaders so that they maintain safe and healthy relationships, seek out people and experiences that are productive to achieving their personal goals and to say "no" to temptations that are unhealthy and unsafe.

We have an educational and fun two weeks planned with activities revolving around careers, arts, our environment, service to our community, and more!

About CV CARES: In 2007, CV CARES formed with the mission to reduce substance use through community effort, focusing on youth. CV CARES has been a coalition of the Alcohol & Drug Awareness Center for the Concho Valley, a nonprofit 501(c)3, for over a decade, and

collaborates with agencies and individuals from 12 sectors of our community.

For more information, please contact Jennifer Flores, CCP Director, at 325-224-3481 or visit www.adaccv.org.

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