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*"If men were angels, no government would be necessary."* James Madison, [www.brainyquote.com](http://www.brainyquote.com)

*"This City is what it is because our citizens are what they are."* Plato, [www.brainyquote.com](http://www.brainyquote.com)

***FOCUS ON EMPLOYEES (Courtesy of Vince Capell, City Manager)***

**Good Job Award!!!**

Please accept my recommendation of Administrative Assistant II

**Kathy Rios** for the "Good Job Award". Ms. Rios will be celebrating her one year anniversary with the Kingsville Task Force on April 24, 2014. Ms. Rios has been a City of Kingsville employee since October 16, 2006 when she began her career as a dispatcher. Kathy received several accolades during her tenure with the Kingsville Police Department before transferring to the Kingsville Task Force last year.



**Kathy Rios**  
**Administrative Assistant II**  
**Task Force**

Kathy Rios is of great assistance to the agents in researching and compiling intelligence through various means in order to further investigations. She runs extensive background checks on subjects who are under investigation as well as ones that are pending indictment in order to help the agents better utilize their time and enhance their cases.

Kathy coordinates the compliance of all case files for the District Attorney's office and has works as the liaison for the processing of paperwork between the 2 offices and she is currently working on digitalizing years of case file information along with administrative files so we are better able to research information pertaining to current cases, records requests and asset forfeiture seizures. She is compiling a database list of all seized inventory from the last 20 years including vehicles files, miscellaneous articles and weapons.

Along with these duties, Kathy maintains all the administrative files and paperwork for the current fiscal year and she is diligent in keeping all bills in current standing. She sets up all travel and training for the agents and is very budget minded in looking for the least expensive alternatives in any venture without sacrificing quality.

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Kathy is a dedicated employee who constantly maintains a high level of excellence in all her work. She is also an extremely loyal employee who gives 110 percent to her job and duties as the Administrative Assistant to the Kingsville Task Force. Kathy brings a modernized concept to the overall organization of this specialized group and because of these efforts also contributes to our continuing success.

Thank you for considering Administrative Assistant II Kathy Rios for the Good Job Award.

**Guillermo (Willie) Vera, Commander**  
**Kingsville Specialized Crimes & Narcotics Task Force**

**Let's Remember Our Award Winners!!!**

**2013 Safety & Recognition Awards**

*Ruth Valdez – R.J. Kleberg Public Library - **Employee of the Year***

*Garage staff – Garage Division in the Public Works Department - **Injury Free Award***

*Chris Sanchez – Sanitation Division in the Public Works Department - **Safety Hero Award***

**2014 Good Job Awards**

Kathy Rios	Task Force	4/10/14	Supporting Task Force Mission
Tom Davis	Police Department	3/20/14	Diligence to duty
Julian Cavazos, Jr.	Police Department	3/10/14	Going the extra mile
Don Erebia	Fire Department	2/24/14	Dedicated leader and mentor
Rey Loera	Public Works Dept./Sanitation	2/10/14	Positive attitude/performance
Marco Jimenez	Public Works Dept./Water Const.	1/27/14	High expertise/dependability
Jason C. Torres	City/County Health Department	1/13/14	Consistently superior service

***CITY-COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Emilio H. Garcia, Director)***

**Administrative Division**

**Director Garcia Attends Solid Waste Advisory Committee Meeting**

Community Appearance Supervisor, Jennifer Bernal and City-County Health Director, Emilio H. Garcia recently attended a Solid Waste Advisory Committee Meeting. It was held in Corpus Christi, Texas at the Coastal Bend Council of Governments. Dr. Patricia Reinhardt gave a presentation on a program she developed called EnviroEd. The program is aimed to change the behavior of littering and dumping violators by making them take an education class as part of their restitution. It would work in conjunction with the fines levied by the judiciaries in the counties and communities. The meeting was attended by several Law Enforcement Agencies, Health Inspectors and Registered Sanitarians.

**Health Dept Staff Attend Eggs & Issues Breakfast**

Emilio H. Garcia and Jason Torres attended an Eggs & Issues Breakfast. The event was held Tuesday, March 25, 2014 at the Family Life Center. The guest speaker was Chief Ricardo Torres, Kingsville Police Department. Chief Torres spoke about the structure of his department, technology, crime statistics,

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forfeiture arrests, the City of Kingsville SWAT teams, drug trends and social media. The breakfast was well attended by Community Leaders, Business Leaders, Elected Officials, the City Manager and City of Kingsville Employees. Pictured is Chief Ricardo Torres speaking to the attendees. Also pictured are City of Kingsville City Manager, Vincent J. Capell and Mayor Sam Fugate.



**Health Staff Attends TML Region 11 Quarterly Meeting in Kingsville**

The City of Kingsville recently hosted a TML Region 11 Quarterly Meeting on Thursday, March 27, 2014. The meeting was held at the historic Henrietta Memorial Museum, 405 N. 6<sup>TH</sup> Street. The meeting started with a workshop session from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. A presentation by Randy Dickson, Texas Department of Public Safety spoke about Public Safety Broadband and the Implications for local Elected Officials. A social hour followed and then dinner and the quarterly meeting. The evening ended with many gifts that were raffled off. The meeting was well attended by many cities throughout Region 11. The City of Kingsville showed strong presence at the meeting. Attending were the City Manager, the Mayor and City Commissioners, Department Heads and City Staff. Below are a few photos of the meeting.



**Food Service Division**

**Food Service Inspections**

Food Service inspections are conducted on a quarterly schedule per year based on the risk category to insure compliance with the Texas Food Service Establishment Regulations and local food sanitation ordinances. Risk levels include low, moderate and high risk. Establishment scoring is based on a demerit

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system, as per The Texas Food Establishment Rules. There are two types of violations. Critical violations are 5 and 4 points demerits per violation and non-critical violations are 3 points demerit violations.

*Critical Violations* are improper practices and actions that directly contribute to food contamination and temperature abuse that may pose a potential risk to the public health, resulting in food borne illness. Critical violations must be corrected immediately or as directed by the Health Department.

*Non critical violations* are unacceptable practices that normally relate to the physical condition of an establishment, including equipment, cleaning and storage. Non Critical violations must be corrected before the next routine inspection or as directed by the Health Department.

Comfort Inn-80	Super 8 Motel-81	4 Breeze Drive Thru-100
Gerardo's Meat Market & Taqueria-74	Memorial Middle School-93	Kingsway Leadership Academy-100
China One-78	Marshall's Hot Dogs-100	Star's Drive Inn-71
Kleberg School-100	HM King High School-100	Texas Star #171-86
McDonald's/HWY77-93	Perez School-100	Harvey School-100
Ricardo School-96	Café 5-97	Subway-100
Pizza Hut-90	Sonic Drive Thru-97	Wing Stop-92
Wendy's-89	Lydia's-67	Lydia's/Re-inspection-86 (Next Day)
Case De Tacos-75	Big House BBQ-78	Kingsville Food Mart-82
Kwik Pantry/King St.-89	La Famosa Tortilla Factory-97	Taqueria Jalisco #5-80

**Regular & Fundraiser Food Handler Classes**

Regular Food Handler Class	13 Students	City-County Health Unit Department
Fundraiser Food Handler Class	17 Students	Breath of life Church
Fundraiser Food Handler Class	14 Students	Relay 4 Life/Team ZZ Top
Regular Food Handler Class	7 Students	Chop Stix Restaurant
Fundraiser Food Handler Class	42 Students	Elks Lodge Organization
Fundraiser Food Handler Class	75 Students	TAMUK-Student Organizations

**Permitted Temporary (Fundraiser) or Permanent Food Events**

Sara Simichek Fish Truck	Temporary Food Event-Fresh Fish sales
Relay 4 Life/Team-ZZ Top	Temporary Food Event-Spaghetti plate sales
Breath of Life Church	Temporary Food Event-Brisket plate sales
Relay 4 Life/Team-CFAC	Temporary Food Event-Hamburger sales

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**New Business**

Dave's Music & Quick Stop, 198 W. FM 1355

**Animal Control Division**

**Did you know?**

√ Dogs have been bred to perform many different jobs. There are guide (Seeing Eye) dogs, guard dogs, sled pullers, sheep and cattle herders, police dogs, rescue dogs, scent tracking dogs and dogs that are used in therapy.

√ A cat's night vision is about 6 times better than a humans and they can see full color the way humans do.

**Food Donation-Thank you Tractor Supply Company and Walmart!**

Tractor Supply Company donated 350 pounds of dry dog food and 6 your continuous food donations to our animal shelter!

Wal-Mart donated 125 pounds of dog food, 8 pounds of cat food, and two boxes of dog treats. Thank you Wal-Mart for your food donation!



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**Loose Cattle**

The City-County Health Department received an anonymous phone call about some loose cattle on West Sage Road. Upon arrival, our Animal Control Officers observed a cow was eating grass along the right-of-way. Pictured is Jason Torres walking the cow back into its corral where it belongs!

**Dogs running at large**

The City-County Health Department received a complaint from the Manager of the Holiday Inn Express about two stray dogs roaming the area. These two dogs have been growling and not allowing hotel guests to enter the hotel. Animal Control Officers were dispatched to the hotel to see if they could capture them but were unsuccessful. A large dog trap with food was setup to see if the dogs would enter it. Pictured is Animal Control Officer, Ernest Espinoza setting up the large dog trap.



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**Animal Control-Next Monthly Pet Adoption Day**

Please join us at our next Pet Adoption Day

Saturday, April 12, 2014

10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Tractor Supply Company

2405 S. Brahma Blvd

Come by and see our variety of dogs and cats!

Adoption fee is \$20.00 and a \$15.00 refundable vaccination fee

For questions please call the City-County Health Department @ 361-592-3324

**Mosquito Control Division-(Vector)**

**Keeping Pests Away by Mowing and Trimming**

With spring time at our heels it's a good time to start mowing and trimming our lawns to make them look beautiful. It is also time to inspect areas of our property that have not been inspected for several months. Beware of the hidden **Dangers** around your property like bees, wasps, hornets and other insects that can sting you. Before mowing your lawn, inspect your property to see if you encounter any bees or any other stinging insects that might get disturbed from a loud mower. This preventative action can give you a chance to abate any bees, wasps or any other insect you may encounter before mowing your lawn. So take your time and inspect your property before you mow!

**City-County Health Department Beautification Efforts**

On March 22, 2014 Texas A & M University Kingsville Students inconjunction with the City of Kingsville held their annual Bigger Event. The event is organized by Jennifer Bernal, Community Appearance Supervisor and Students from different organizations. City of Kingsville, Department Directors were asked if they have any cleaning, painting, trimming or any other work that is needed around their department. The Health Department submitted plans to construct a landscape with flowers. We requested the help from 5 TAMUK Students. We also requested some dirt from the Water Department. Thanks to Marco Jimenez, Water Supervisor for the two buckets, of black dirt. Also a big thanks to Cecillio Obergon, Equipment Operator II, for spreading the dirt with his back hoe. The Health Department would like to give a **Big Thanks** to the fifteen student, that came to help; Aswani Kancherla, Mounika Kancharla, Poojitha Dumpala, Deepika Modyala, Sindho Ganga, Lakshmi Ranganade Pati, Gudapatibharagava Venkata Sairam, Teresa Norton, Kelly Cameron, Lillian Ramirez, Alyssa Romero, Cassandra Garcia, Daisy Castillo, Xavier Alfaro-Lopez and Chidi Ramsey. Flowers planted were Brilliant Hibscus, Mexican Healthier, Geranium, Gerbera Daisy, Lantanas, Asiatic Lily, Roses and Angelina Bougainvillea. Below are pictures documenting the development of our beautiful landscape and flowers.

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**Thank you TAMUK Students for all your hard work!**

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**FINANCE DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Deborah Balli, Director)**

**Finance Administration Division**

**Did you know?**

The annual tax filing deadline is April 15. Individual income taxes and payroll taxes accounted for 82 percent of all federal revenues. Corporate income taxes contributed another 9 percent. Excise taxes, estate and gift taxes, customs duties, and miscellaneous receipts (earnings of the Federal Reserve System and various fees and charges) made up the balance.



**CAFR Schedules**

The deadline for submitting your department's information was Wednesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>. There are still a few departments that have not provided their statistical information. It is imperative that we receive the information no later than April 4<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to the departments that cooperated with our request.

**Open Accountant Position**

The Finance Department is accepting applications for an Assistant Accountant II. Requirements include performing accounting work, maintaining a variety of financial records and statements, reports and reconciliations; performing related work as required. The person hired enforces established finance related policies, procedures and regulations. Prepares and submits monthly, quarterly and annual financial reports to state and federal agencies regarding assigned work. Verifies and reviews accounting transactions, makes appropriate corrections, entries and adjustments to ensure accuracy of reports. Uses sound judgment and accepted accounting practices, follows city policies and ensures compliance with all applicable state and federal regulations. Performs other duties as assigned. If you or someone you knows is interested please contact the Human Resources department.

**City Bond Rating**

Standard & Poor's Ratings Services assigned its 'A+' long-term rating to Kingsville, Texas' series 2013 certificates of obligation and series 2013 limited tax refunding bonds. At the same time, Standard & Poor's affirmed its 'A+' underlying rating (SPUR) on the city's existing debt. In their opinion the outlook for the City is stable.



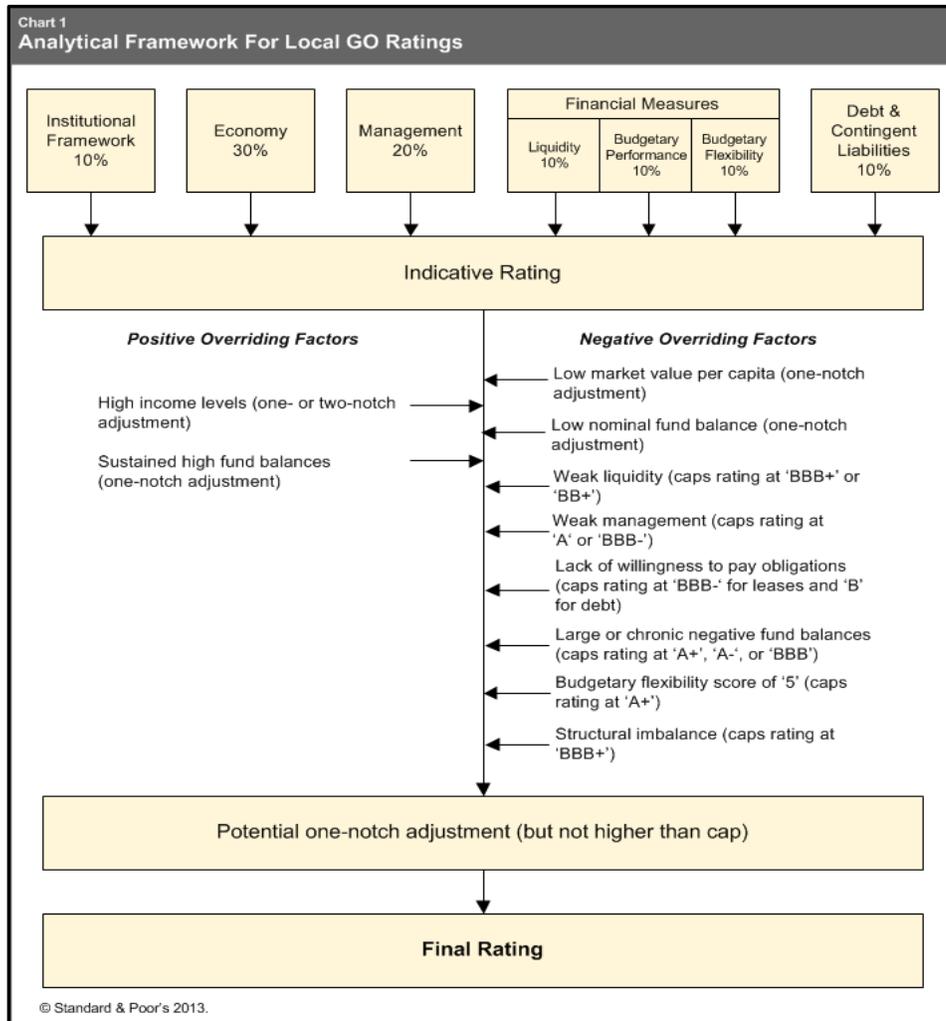
The rating reflects Standard & Poor's view of the city based primarily on the

following reasons:

- Stable local economy, which is tied to military services, education, and agribusiness;
- Very strong financial position and reserves;
- Good financial management practices and policies.

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**What's behind a City Bond Rating?**



**Travel Form Improved**

Finance has a new travel form with instructions. This new form combines the current Travel Request and Travel Voucher onto one form, hopefully eliminating the confusion and providing a reminder that reconciliation has to be completed after each travel.

The unshaded part of the form is the travel request and should be completed and submitted just like the former travel request. Travelers submitting this form should save a copy of the form to be used for the travel reconciliation when travel has been completed. If there are any corrections to your travel request, Finance will send you a corrected copy and this must be attached and used for the travel reconciliation.

The bottom, shaded part of the form is the travel reconciliation and takes the place of the Travel Voucher form. It should be filled out and submitted within 5 business days when travel is complete.

Please start using the new form immediately. If anyone has any questions, please give me a call or stop by and I will be glad to assist you.

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**Continuing Disclosure Report**

This report was completed and sent with all submissions to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the Nationally Recognized Municipal Securities Information Repository) and any applicable State Information Depository pursuant to Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Rule 15c2-12 or any analogous state statute.

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RULE 15c2-12 FILING

Issue(s):

\$ 11,780,000 Certificates of Obligation, Series 2005

\$ 1,200,000 Public Property Finance Contractual Obligations, Series 2007

\$ 4,270,000 Certificates of Obligation, Series 2009

\$ 1,890,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2009

\$ 10,000,000 Certificates of Obligation, Series 2011

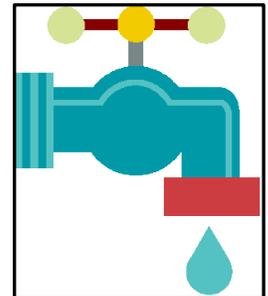
\$ 5,230,000 Certificates of Obligation, Series 2013

\$ 1,260,000 Limited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2013

**Utility Billing Division**

**Facts about water use The Facts on Leaks**

The average household's leaks can account for more than 10,000 gallons of water wasted every year, or the amount of water needed to wash 270 loads of laundry. Household leaks can waste more than 1 trillion gallons annually nationwide. That's equal to the annual household water use of more than 11 million homes. Ten percent of homes have leaks that waste 90 gallons or more per day. Common types of leaks found in the home include worn toilet flappers, dripping faucets, and other leaking valves. All are easily correctable.



Fixing easily corrected household water leaks can save homeowners about 10 percent on their water bills. Keep your home leak-free by repairing dripping faucets, toilet flappers, and showerheads. In most cases, fixture replacement parts don't require a major investment.

Most common leaks can be eliminated after retrofitting a household with new Water Sense labeled fixtures and other high-efficiency appliances.

**Leak Detection**

A good method to check for leaks is to examine your winter water usage. It's likely that a family of four has a serious leak problem if its winter water use exceeds 12,000 gallons per month.

Check your water meter before and after a two-hour period when no water is being used. If the meter does not read exactly the same, you probably have a leak. (We recommend calling the Utility Billing Department for this free service).

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One way to find out if you have a toilet leak is to place a drop of food coloring in the toilet tank. If the color shows up in the bowl within 15 minutes without flushing, you have a leak. Make sure to flush immediately after this experiment to avoid staining the tank.

**Faucets and Showerheads**

A leaky faucet that drips at the rate of one drip per second can waste more than 3,000 gallons per year. That's the amount of water needed to take more than 180 showers! Leaky faucets can be fixed by checking faucet washers and gaskets for wear and replacing them if necessary. If you are replacing a faucet, look for the Water Sense label.

A showerhead leaking at 10 drips per minute wastes more than 500 gallons per year. That's the amount of water it takes to wash 60 loads of dishes in your dishwasher. Most leaky showerheads can be fixed by ensuring a tight connection using pipe tape and a wrench. If you are replacing a showerhead, look for one that has earned the Water Sense label.

**Toilets**

If your toilet is leaking, the cause is often an old, faulty toilet flapper. Over time, this inexpensive rubber part decays, or minerals build up on it. It's usually best to replace the whole rubber flapper—a relatively easy, inexpensive do-it-yourself project that pays for itself in no time.

If you do need to replace the entire toilet, look for a Water Sense labeled model. If the average family replaces its older, inefficient toilets with new Water Sense labeled ones, it could save 13,000 gallons per year. Retrofitting the house could save the family nearly \$2,400 in water and wastewater bills over the lifetime of the toilets.

**Outdoors**

An irrigation system should be checked each spring before use to make sure it was not damaged by frost or freezing. An irrigation system that has a leak 1/32nd of an inch in diameter (about the thickness of a dime) can waste about 6,300 gallons of water per month. To ensure that your in-ground irrigation system is not leaking water, consult with a Water Sense irrigation partner who has passed a certification program focused on water efficiency;

**Look for a Water Sense irrigation partner**

Check your garden hose for leaks at its connection to the spigot. If it leaks while you run your hose, replace the nylon or rubber hose washer and ensure a tight connection to the spigot using pipe tape and a wrench.  
<http://www.epa.gov/WaterSense/pubs/fixleak.html>

**Easter Holiday Trash Schedule**

City Hall will be closed Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014 in observance of Good Friday.  
Refuse Change: Residential services: Mon/Thurs. to Mon/Wed. & Tues/Fri to Tues/Thurs.  
Commercial services: Thurs/Fri will be serviced on Thurs.

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**Reminders**

Any payments dropped off in the night drop need to be in check, money order, or cashier check form. A utility bill stub should be included in order to process your payment to your account or a referenced service address and account number will suffice. If you are in jeopardy of having your services disconnected for non-payment on Tuesday and Thursday, then your payment in full, including penalties, needs to be dropped off before 8 a.m. that Tuesday or Thursday to avoid a disruption in water service as well as additional penalties. This information is also listed on the red notices.

All roll outs must be out by 7 a.m. for trash pickup. Once your roll out has been serviced, it must be removed immediately from the curb or street and moved out of public view. See the following City Ordinance:

*Sec. 5-1-35. When collections made.*

*B) For customers served by city roll-out containers, the time for placement of city roll-out containers shall be 7:00 a.m. on the date of collection and removed from the street or curb by 8:00 p.m. on the date of collection.*

*(1962 Code, § 8-5-13; Ord. 93005, passed 4-12-93; Ord. 2001-06, passed 2-26-01; Ord. 2006-18, passed 4-17-06; Ord. 2008-09, § I, passed 2-11-08)*

For all Sanitation Related Issues please call 361-595-8094.

For Community Appearance issues (high grass, trash, etc.) please call 361-595-8093.

**Municipal Court Division**

**2014 Texas Warrant Roundup**

The 2014 Texas Warrant Roundup Event ended March 9, 2014. Executed warrant orders and collections, from the local community and statewide, are provided below:

# of Warrants Cleared - 337 / Total Gross Collections - \$70,305.56 Total Face Value of Warrants Cleared - \$143,009.71



**Court Business for the period of March 12, 2014 through April 2, 2014**

There were 196 new cases filed with the city court. Of these, there were 126 traffic violations, 1 Texas A&M University case filed, and 69 FTA (failure to appear). Aside from the new cases, there were 377 cases resolved, 181 warrant orders executed, and 129 new arrest orders published in the local newspaper and the worldwide police website. There were collections of \$74,368.76 from settlements of payment plans and all other executed orders.

**Court for March 13, 2014**

Inmate Court Hearing, during the 2:00 o'clock session, there were 2 inmates transported to the Municipal Court Alcorn Chambers by the Kingsville police department. Both individuals were placed on a payment plan and released from custody,

Regular court hearing on 3/13/14, during the 3:00 o'clock session consisted of 161 people (282 cases). Prior to the court hearing, 25 people requested another court date. Another 60 people made their court appearance. 50 cases arranged payment plans. There were 54 cases closed, 8 cases dismissed due to compliance of the law and justice, 11 cases for further review. 3 requested a trial hearing.

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For the remaining who did not make their court appearance, 53 individual driver's licenses were reported to the Omnibase (Department of Public Safety) for suspension, and 95 records of arrest and failure to appear charges for non-appearance and contempt of court. 3 Juvenile cases are set aside for consideration to be moved to Adult prosecution.

**Court for March 27, 2014**

Inmate Court Hearing, during the 2:00 session, there were 11 inmates transported to the Municipal Court Chambers. All eleven were committed.

Regular court hearing on 3/27/14, during the 3:00 o'clock session consisted of 162 people (313 cases). Prior to the court hearing, 53 people requested another court date. Another 60 people made their court appearance. Twenty eight cases arranged payment plans. There were 27 cases closed, 14 cases dismissed due to compliance of the law and justice, 13 cases for further review. 1 requested a trial hearing.

For the remaining who did not make their court appearance, 69 individual driver's licenses were reported to the Omnibase (Department of Public Safety) for suspension, and 78 records of arrest and failure to appear charges for non-appearance and contempt of court. 25 Juvenile cases are set aside for consideration to be moved to Adult prosecution.

**Pre-Trial Setting on March 11<sup>th</sup>**

During the 9:00 o'clock session, there were seven people scheduled to meet with the State Prosecutor/City Attorney, Mrs. Alvarez. Of these, the dispositions are as follows: one individual case proceeded into a trial hearing, six were no shows and went to warrant.

**Pre-Trial on March 25, 2014**

During the 9:00 session, there were 25 cases (18 individuals). Nine went to the Judge for review, 1 was paid, 2 were reset for another time, 2 are set for trial, 2 were placed on probation, 1 filed an extension motion to pay for an additional 30 days,

**Thanks to Our Police Department**

The court staff would like to express many thanks to Kingsville Police department for the security provided by Officer T. Cervantes, Officer J. Dodd and Officer M. Fonseca, Officer G. Vega, Officer Flores, Officer J. Flores....GREAT JOB!

**Please Call Us**

The public is encouraged to contact the court office for additional information on traffic and all other Class C misdemeanors at **361-592-8566**. Also as a reminder, the court does not accept payment by personal checks. Visa, MasterCard, money order, cashier's check, or cash may be accepted for payment.

**Payments on the Web**

Available on the city website is the option to pay for any outstanding balances due to the court, including active warrants or payment plans and extensions. Please visit our website at <https://www.cityofkingsville.com>

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**Upcoming Court & Hearing Dates**

Pre-Trial Hearing	April 8, 2014	April 22, 2014	
Inmate Hearing	April 10, 2014	May 22, 2014	June 5 & 19, 2014
Regular Hearing	April 10, 2014	May 22, 2014	June 5 & 19, 2014
Bench Trials	May 22, 2014	June 19, 2014	

***FIRE DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Joey Reed, Fire Chief)***

**Training and Professional Development**

New Hire Paramedic Evaluations – New paramedics are being trained in Kingsville EMS protocols and evaluated on their skills.

Extractor/Washer Training – All shifts trained on use of new extractor/washing machine.

Executive Fire Officer Training – Fire Chief attended the National Fire Academy executive fire officer program in Emmitsburg, MD. The chief attended the executive development class.

New EMS Report Changes – Engineer Camarillo presented training to all 3 shifts on updated EMS reporting guidelines for the software used by the Department.

**Planning**

Naval Air Station Air Show Planning – The Fire Chief and Captain Erebia attended meetings at the Naval Air Station to discuss Air Show safety plans for the March Air Show.

Ride on the Wild Side Bike Ride – Planning meeting held on March 25<sup>th</sup>.

Community Project Development Meetings – The Fire Marshal and Fire Chief attended these meetings.

**Other Department Activities**

KNAS Air Show – On March 29 and 30<sup>th</sup>, the Fire Department provided 3 overtime personnel with an ambulance to provide advanced life support EMS services during the air show. The department also provided a Kabota 4 wheeler and Segways for roving patrols. Another overtime person was hired to drive and show the ladder tower truck that was on display at the air show. Additional personnel were hired on overtime to increase staffing within the City from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm each day of the air show.

New Kingsville High School- The Fire Marshal and Fire Chief met with school officials and the City building inspectors several times to coordinate efforts and expedite project completion.

Nueces County Fire Chiefs Meeting – The Fire Chief attended chiefs meeting in Annaville on March 27<sup>th</sup>. Mutual aid and communications issues were discussed.



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**Committee Meetings**

Uniform Committee – Meeting held on March 28<sup>th</sup>, Discussion of old uniforms, phase outs, belts, personal clothing items worn at work, badges, and patches.

**Equipment Status**

Engine 1 – New alternator installed.

Engine 2 – New emergency lights installed on top and LED strobes on sides.

Medic 2- Emergency lights switch is malfunctioning, AC problems, stretcher not charging.

Engine 2 – Emergency lights system repaired.

Fire Marshal Vehicle – New ball joints installed and AC repaired.

**Projects**

Extractor Washer – Training of all personnel on use of extractor completed and machine now in use.

Fire Station 2 Exterior - Concrete work completed including new driveway on north side of station and sidewalk in front. Irrigation system laid and waiting to hook up electric controller. ADA handicap access ramp to front door completed. In the next few weeks we will be killing off weeds in yard and planting grass seeds. We will also be planting shrubs along north and south walls. Station lettering still needs to be ordered.



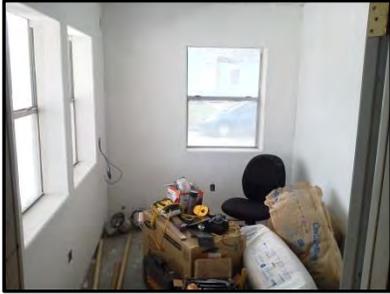
Dispatch – Radio antennas installed and station speaker systems being updated. Waiting on contractor to construct new counter tops.

Fire Station 1 Restrooms, Upstairs/Downstairs – Upstairs restrooms have been demolished and removed. New individual restrooms have been framed in and plumbing and electrical work is being installed.



Fire Station 2 Interior – Demolition completed. New framing completed inside. Most walls have new sheetrock installed. New door and electrical in ADA restroom completed. Waiting on plumbers and new front and rear walk in doors.

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**Fire Department Response Statistics** (for the period of 0800 hrs on March 14<sup>th</sup> to 0800 hrs on April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014)

Fire/Rescue/Other Calls -	25
Emergency Medical Service Calls (EMS) -	174
Total Emergency Responses -	199



**Major Events during the period**

Oil Spill – 7<sup>th</sup> Street and Yoakum, Persons trying to remove an old oil tank for scrap metal dumped it over in an alley and oil spread down the alley and along the curb line on 7<sup>th</sup> Street and turned down Yoakum. Fire crews were able to stop the oil from spreading north on 7<sup>th</sup> street by using absorbent pads. Bill Darnell and public works responded quickly to sand and remove contaminations prior to the rain that was moving into the area.



***HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Diana Gonzales, Director)***

**Did You Know?**

*The latest Workforce Solutions of the Coastal Bend employment numbers are out and are worthwhile to note.*

Earnings for all occupations in Coastal Bend compared to the State of Texas (expressed hourly)

Coastal Bend	Texas	
\$ 18.35 hr	\$ 20.97 hr	All Occupations Average
\$ 8.58 hr	\$ 8.88 hr	Entry Level
\$ 23.24 hr	\$ 27.02 hr	Experienced Workers
\$ 33.56 hr	\$ 39.64 hr	Top 10%

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Educational Attainment for populations 25+ years of age – Corpus Christi  
(Census American Fact Finder/American Community Survey (AFF/ACS))

Less than 9 <sup>th</sup> grade	9.6%
9 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup> grade	11.2%
12 <sup>th</sup> grade & GED	26.9%
Some College	25.8%
Associates degrees	6.9%
Bachelors degrees	12.6%
Graduate or Professional degrees	7.0%

Median earnings Corpus Christi by education for person 25 years of age & up      \$ 27,211  
(Census AFF/ACS)

\$ 17,318	Less than High School
\$ 25,804	High School & GED
\$ 31,393	Some College or Associates
\$ 45,812	Bachelor's
\$ 55,582	Graduate or Professional

**Advertised Positions**

- Finance – Accountant II
- Health – Animal Control Officer
- Police – Telecommunication's Operator
- Sanitation – Equipment Operator II
- Street – Equipment Operator I
- Tourism – Tourism Services Director, Equipment Operator I

**New Employees**



Larry Cantu  
Equipment Service Worker  
Garage Department



Lori Cantu  
Telecommunications Operator  
Police Department



Maria E. Gonzalez  
Temp. Admin. Assistant  
Police Department

**Separations**

- Tyler Jacobson – Equipment Operator II – Street
- Nicole Mirarchi – Police Officer
- Martin Tapia – Equipment Operator II – Sanitation
- Valerie Valero – Engineer's Assistant / Teresa Vasquez – Accountant II – Finance

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**Internal Movements/Promotions**

Juan De Los Santos – Operator – Wastewater  
Jesse Perez - Equipment Operator II - Wastewater

**Retirements**

Jesse Ybarra – Animal Control Officer – Health Department  
Mr. Ybarra has served the City for approximately 13 ½ years in the Health Department.  
We all wish Mr. Ybarra well in his future endeavors.

**Workshops/Seminars/Meetings:**

Human Resource Director attended the Texas Municipal League (TML) Region 11 Quarterly Meeting on March 27<sup>th</sup> hosted by the City of Kingsville. Several City of Kingsville staff members attended the meeting to listen to information regarding broadband communications in the public safety field.

**Employee Customer Service**

As the HR office has been working in getting familiar with the new Incode HR module, it was apparent some employee data had not been updated. Forms were distributed to all employees to update information such as address, contact numbers and emergency contacts. Departments responded promptly with the request and all information is scheduled to be updated in the system by April 18<sup>th</sup>.

***PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Robert Isassi, Director)***

**Planning Division**

**Dumpster Enclosure Project**

Phase 3 is currently online for an April 24<sup>th</sup> bid opening. We are contacting local contractors to let them know of the plans availability and hope to begin work as soon as possible following the bid openings.

**Kingsville GIS Website**

We are planning to host a Kingsville GIS training session on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at City Hall. Robert will begin advertising this class through the Chamber of Commerce as well as through the newspaper. The kingsvillegis.com website is currently live and connected to the City of Kingsville website. It is Robert's intent to show any interested parties how to best use this tool in whatever way the public needs to know.

**Heat Mitigation Project**

Dr. Brent Hedquist, geology professor at TAMUK, sent Robert an e-mail informing him that he was awarded another service learning grant for the next academic year. This means that the partnership between the City and University to continue to plant trees along the 6<sup>th</sup> Street corridor will continue for the next two semesters. The City is working to establish a tree inventory and a street tree plan to further continue tree plantings within the City.

**New Business** - No new business to report.

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**Building Services Division**

**Permits**

Residential Remodel: 13	Commercial Remodel: 0	Electrical: 16
New Commercial: 1	Mechanical: 6	Moving: 0
New Residential: 1	Fire Inspection: 12	Gas Inspection: 5
Cert. of Occupancy: 1	Commercial Meter: 0	House Leveling: 1
Plumbing: 6	Residential Meter: 10	Re-roof: 10
Sprinkler: 0	Sidewalk: 1	Sign: 0
Curb: 1	Swimming Pool: 0	Demolition: 1
<b>Total Permits Pulled: 85</b>		

**Community Appearance Division**

**Recent activity (March 12-March 26) by Community Appearance Inspectors is as follows**

Notices Sent: 40	Abatements: 12	Obsolete Sign Violations: 3
Inspections: 58	Court Cases: 0	Placards Posted: 2
Re-Inspections: 143	Illegal Dumping Cases: 1	
Compliances: 100	Front/Side yard parking violations: 8	

**Typical Violations & Compliances**

Below are photos of recent examples of success in the removal of trash and debris due to our community appearance division efforts:

**324 W Santa Gertrudis – Community Appearance Abated**

**BEFORE**



**AFTER**



**412 W Huisache - Property Owner Abated**



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**807 E Doddridge Property Owner Abated**

**BEFORE**

**AFTER**



**409 W King Property Owner Abated**

**BEFORE**

**AFTER**



**The Bigger Event**

It was a busy couple weeks for Community Appearance. Tying up loose ends for city scheduled projects with TAMUKs "The Bigger Event" was on our agenda. At the event on Saturday March 22, Community Appearance Division had about 30 volunteers and 10 city staff from various departments for our Neighborhood Sweep cleanup. Our city staff volunteers were: Cecilio Obrigon & Trini Rawlinson – Water Dept., Manny Buentello – Building Services, Balde Gonzalez, Bobby Acuna & Noe Solis – Solid Waste Div., Cyndi Flores-Falcon, Maryann Trejo, Ernest Davila & Eric Ovedio – Community Appearance Div. Thank you to all those who participated in this cleanup. A total of 9.48 tons of junk and ½ a ton of tires

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was collected from property owners. The area that was covered was E Ave D & E Mesquite from 6<sup>th</sup> St. to 14<sup>th</sup> St. A couple of these properties could be found on our Top Ten list.



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**Solid Waste Advisory Committee Meeting**

Community Appearance Supervisor, Jennifer Bernal, joined Health Director, Emilio Garcia for a SWAC (Solid Waste Advisory Committee) meeting held in Corpus Christi that was hosted by our local COG (Counsel of Governments) division. Dr. Patricia Reinhardt was the speaker at this meeting. Dr. Reinhardt is pursuing a type of program where environmental offenses are mandated to attend an informational session rather than being fined. This is interesting in that we do need to offer more education to our citizens on nuisance as well as other common code violations. She would like to take the same approach as defensive driving. She is planning to meet with other members of the city and community to present the program.



**Work at Xeriscape Garden**

Community Appearance operators spent many hours at the Xeriscape Garden. Operators trimmed trees and bushes, pulled weeds from flower beds and mulched. With Spring well underway, it was the perfect time to prune for new growth. Great work on the garden Eric & Ernest!!! Sanitation crews were also sent in to work on the bricks and pavers. Leveling pavers for a smooth safe walk through the garden can be a strenuous job. The sanitation crews also replaced broken and missing bricks along the paths. Great job Noe, Danny R. & Emilio!!!

Please stop by and see what has been done, as well as enjoy the company of our little winged (butterflies) friends.



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**Keep Kingsville Beautiful (KKB)**

KKB planted yellow and blue flowering plants in the planters downtown in honor of the Blue Angels event scheduled for March 29-30. Thank you Darla Johns, Alice Byers & Dianne Leubert for the job well done!! These plants really set the mood for the upcoming event.

Student volunteers were also out at the Xeriscape Garden on Saturday's Bigger Event. Volunteers pruned and weeded on Friday then mulched the grounds on Saturday.



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**Community Appearance Billing**

Community Appearance Division has begun tracking the monthly totals being billed each month due to City private property cleanups. These cleanups include mowing and abatements of noxious matter through FY '14. The City doesn't actually collect many of these billings because most customers simply don't pay. When they don't pay **and** when if the amount billed reaches \$150, the city files and records a noxious matter lien on the related property.

OCT \$9107.08 / NOV \$6550.24 / DEC \$9605.00 / JAN \$7148.91 / FEB \$6117.44 / MAR \$7280.90

**Condemnation of Unsafe Structures within the Community Initiative**

The Building Department will be presenting ten (10) dilapidated structures to City Commissioners for review on the last meeting of each month. To date 4 condemnations have been approved by commission since October 2013. As part of our building structure evaluations, seven (7) notices have resulted in property owner agreements to demolish the unsafe buildings.

Below is an updated list regarding noticed properties currently in violation and awaiting a condemnation hearing.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Property Address</u>	<u>Status</u>
3/26/14	324 E. Henrietta	Demo Order
3/26/14	619 W. Warren	Demo Order
5/26/14	501 ½ W. Ave D	90 day Extension
5/26/14	504 W. Caesar	90 day Extension
5/26/14	508 W. Caesar	90 day Extension
Pending	315 E Santa Gert	Voluntary Demo
Pending	519 N. 6 <sup>th</sup>	Awaiting re-hearing for Demolition Order Request

As always, Community Appearance would like to thank all those involved with all the efforts towards the beautification of our legendary city.

**Top Ten Priority (Private Property) Property Clean Ups**

Community Appearance Inspectors are following up on previous City abatements to ensure compliance since abatement. Additionally, inspectors have determined the properties, sent notices and obtained photos of those to be listed in the top ten clean ups for the 24<sup>th</sup> Phase to be completed in April. As in the past, owners or occupants of the properties have failed to abate these nuisances after being noticed. The current top ten properties are as follows:

**PHASE 24 (April 2014)**

<u>Property Address:</u>	<u>Date of Compliance Deadline:</u>
608 W Ave C	4/30/14
707 S 12 <sup>th</sup>	4/30/14
1023 E Kleberg	4/30/14
710 E Lott	4/30/14

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718 W Henrietta	4/30/14
907 E Ave C	4/30/14
802 E Lee	4/30/14
131 N 8 <sup>th</sup>	4/30/14
900 E Ave D	4/30/14
1115 N 14 <sup>th</sup>	4/30/14

A Cumulative count of abatements conducted by the property owner for “Top Ten” monthly private property cleanups:

**Who is Doing the Cleanup, Owner or City?**

As shown in the table below, the number of owner abatements on noticed properties within the “top ten” monthly clean ups have risen. The intent is to get to 100% property-owner compliance with no reoccurring junk and debris violations. These numbers indicate the property owners are increasingly taking the initiative to come into compliance, thereby demonstrating a change in behavior; hopefully due to the increase public awareness of City codes.

<u>Top Ten Phase#</u>	<u>#of Cleanups Conducted</u>	<u>Top Ten Phase#</u>	<u>#of Cleanups Conducted</u>
	<u>By property owner</u>		<u>By property owner</u>
PHASE 1	0 out of 10	PHASE 13	9 out of 10
PHASE 2	2 out of 10	PHASE 14	6 out of 10
PHASE 3	2 out of 10	PHASE 15	9 out of 10
PHASE 4	3 out of 10	PHASE 16	9 out of 10
PHASE 5	3 out of 10	PHASE 17	8 out of 10
PHASE 6	3 out of 10	PHASE 18	8 out of 10
PHASE 7	4 out of 10	PHASE 19	8 out of 10
PHASE 8	7 out of 10	PHASE 20	9 out of 10
PHASE 9	5 out of 10	PHASE 21	7 out of 10
PHASE 10	8 out of 10	PHASE 22	4 out of 10
PHASE 11	7 out of 10	PHASE 23	7 out of 10
PHASE 12	8 out of 10	PHASE 24	(In process)

***POLICE (Courtesy of Ricardo Torres, Chief)***



**Administration**

**Police Chief Torres Featured Speaker at March Eggs & Issues Breakfast**

The Kingsville Chamber of Commerce hosted a Chamber Breakfast on Tuesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 a.m. at the Community Live Centre at the corner of N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street and Yoakum. The guest speaker was Chief Ricardo Torres of the Kingsville Police Department who provided information on an “Overview of Crime, what is trending now?”

The event was attended by several city business leaders as well as City of Kingsville City Commission and staff members.

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**Kingsville PD Shows Heavy Participation at Naval Air Show**

The City of Kingsville Police Department provided personnel to assist with security, traffic control as well as showcase equipment and capabilities of the department during the NASK Wings Over South Texas Air Show. The officers that participated did a fantastic job of directing traffic and providing security before, during and after the show.



**Patrol Division**

**Traffic**

Officers wrote 92 citations and gave 37 written warnings.

Santos Rodriguez was arrested for DWI in the 1800 block of E. King Ave.

Patrol officer made a traffic stop in the 1000 block of E. Santa Gertrudis. Driver Pete Adamez arrested for Possession of Marijuana.

Eloy Hernandez stopped at 15<sup>th</sup> and Mesquite. He was arrested for Driving Under the Influence-Under 21. A patrol supervisor's vehicle was nearly struck by a vehicle that ran a stop sign. As the supervisor turned around to stop the vehicle, the vehicle disregarded a second stop sign. The officer made a traffic stop and arrested Alam Tariq Shan for Reckless Driving. In the pickup, a small baggie of cocaine was found.

Holli Goode was stopped at 14<sup>th</sup> and Caesar and arrested for Possession of Marijuana.



An officer pulled into the Cowgirl's parking lot due to a large crowd at closing time. Juan Gonzalez III quickly backed out of a parking space and struck the police unit. Gonzalez was arrested for DWI and was three times the legal limit.

A traffic stop at 500 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> led to a methamphetamine and cocaine seizure. Anas Nabil Safwat and Efraim Reynold Williams were both charged.

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Arturo Caballero ran a stop sign at 7<sup>th</sup> and King and collided with another vehicle. Caballero was arrested for DWI.

Amador Guerra struck the mailbox at 316 E. Corral with his vehicle. Officers determined he was too intoxicated to perform the sobriety tests and arrested him for DWI. Since he had three previous DWI convictions, he was charged with a felony DWI. Before being taken to jail, he was taken to the hospital, where a mandatory blood specimen was taken.

**Patrol**

An officer drove past a vehicle at Dick Kleberg Park and contacted the occupants regarding the strong odor. Allen Rodriguez was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance (synthetic marijuana). Passengers were released, vehicle towed.

An officer recognized Armando Trevino Jr. inside Hibbett Sports. When she contacted Trevino, he took off running, running to the north end of Southgate Mall and then ran behind it. Trevino lost the officer but another responding officer found Trevino hiding inside a dumpster behind Tractor Supply. He was arrested on an outstanding bond revocation warrant (Aggravated Assault) and Evading Arrest.

Four car collision on 14<sup>th</sup> street. Zaklina Tadic was causing problems outside of her ex-boyfriend's house. She was arrested for Public Intoxication.



A patrol officer recognized Leroy Alvarez walking near Wells Fargo. After confirming warrants for Alvarez, the officer placed him under arrest. Synthetic marijuana was found in Alvarez' possession and he was charged with Possession of a Controlled Substance.

A local taxi driver reported that a male on a bicycle had crashed, several times, and was not getting up. An ambulance was summoned but it was determined

that Edwardo Garza was not injured, just highly intoxicated. Garza was also charged with the marijuana in his possession.

An oilfield company pickup was reported stolen from the Quality Inn parking lot.

A patrol officer was driving southbound on County Road 1030, attempting to get ahead of a pursuit to employ the tire deflation spikes when he lost control and crashed his vehicle. He was transported to a Corpus Christi hospital and was released a few hours later.

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Photo of vehicle after rolling responding to pursuit of a vehicle.  
Officers took a report involving animal cruelty in the 600 block of East Avenue A.

Officers responded to a family disturbance at Maple Circle. The father admitted that he and his estranged wife had been smoking "crack" cocaine which had ended in an assault.



Several officers assisted in traffic control during and after the recent air show.

Eduardo Guajardo was confronted by a Wal-Mart employee after he stole \$500 worth of merchandise and was leaving the store. He assaulted the employee as he was leaving. He was caught nearby and charged with Robbery.

**Training**

Officers Aleman and Vega attended "Intermediate Collision Investigation", a 40-hour course at the TEEEX facilities in Bryan.

Officer Grant attended "Arrest, Search and Seizure", a 24-hour course at the Del Mar Regional Police Academy. All patrol officers have completed all of the assigned

TML online courses.

SWAT officers from the Patrol Division have received 8 hours of local training in the past two weeks.

**Other**

Officer Rideau has accepted a position with the Pflugerville Police Department. We wish him luck.

Several officers worked at the recent Air Show and many officers supplemented the regular patrol shift with traffic duties after the air show.

**Criminal Investigations Bureau**

Det. #2 - has been assigned this case 14-0007092 Agg Sexual Assault. On 03/13/14 Det#2 was notified by an investigator from the Corpus Christi Police Department that a Sexual Assault incident occurred in Kingsville. The investigator informed Det. #2 that a victim is disabled; therefore a Children's Advocacy Center interview was conducted with the victim. It was determined Rolando Medrano, who is a registered sex offender assaulted the victim. Det. #2 wrote up an arrest warrant, and Rolando was arrested on March 19, 2014 for two counts of Agg. Sexual Assault (Disabled).

There were no Call Outs during the past two weeks.

The CIB Supervisors read, assigned, and inactivated 93 cases.

During the past two weeks there were 79 cases assigned to Detectives.

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Det. #1 - During the past two weeks Det. #1 has done the following activities; filed 4 cases with District Court, filed 1 case with County Court, filed 2 cases with City Court, pended out 4 cases, cold cased 2 cases, wrote 22 reports, conducted 2 interviews, and completed Mandatory Classes on the TML website.

Det# 1 was not assigned any cases during these past two weeks. Det. #1 is being transferred from the Criminal Investigations Bureau (CIB) to the Patrol Division. Det#1 has been assigned to CIB for 12 years, and Det # 1 holds a plethora of knowledge. Det # 1 has been reassigned to the Patrol Division to increase the experience in the patrol division.

Det. #2 - During the past two weeks Det. #2 has performed the following activities; assigned to 11 cases, filed 3 cases with District Court, 7 cases with county court, wrote 23 reports, conducted 20 interviews, pended out 5 cases, cold cased 1 case, entered a few of the local sex registered offender's in our community into a State database, and completed Mandatory Classes on the TML website.

Det #3- During the past two weeks Det. #3 has done the following activities; filed 1 case with District Court, filed 1 case with City Court, and X-Cleared, Pended out, cold cased, and Unfounded 12 cases total, wrote 17 reports, took 2 statements, and completed Mandatory Classes on the TML website.

Det. #4 - During the past two weeks Det. #4 has done the following activities; has been assigned to 18 cases, filed 2 cases with District Court, 1 case with county court, filed 1 case with City court, X-Cleared, Pended out, and cold cased 11 cases total, wrote 1 reports, conducted 5 interviews, Det. # 4 is our Accident Investigator and conducted investigations on 21 accidents, Det. #4 worked with a DPS Accident investigator on a fatality accident that occurred in Kingsville. Det. # 4 was able to retrieve data from the Event Data Recorder box located inside the vehicle that was involved in the accident. The data obtained is vital information on the speed the vehicle was traveling at the time of the accident. Det. #4 also completed Mandatory Classes on the TML website.

Det. #5 - During the past two weeks Det. #5 has done the following activities; has been assigned to 11 cases, filed 1 case with District Court, filed 2 cases with County Court, filed 1 case with Juvenile court, X-Cleared, Pended out, cold cased, Unfounded 8 cases total, and completed Mandatory Classes on the TML website.

Det. #6 - During the past two weeks Det. #6 has done the following activities; has been assigned to 12 cases, filed 3 cases with District Court, filed 4 cases with County Court, filed 2 cases with City Court, X-Cleared, Pended out, unfounded, and cold cased 5 cases total, wrote 7 reports, took a three day class on Sexual Assault and Family Violence Investigators Course, and completed Mandatory Classes on the TML website.

During the past two weeks Det. #7 has done the following activities; has been assigned to 10 cases, filed 1 case with District Court, X-Cleared, Pended out, and cold cased 4 cases total, wrote 2 reports, entered a few of the local sex registered offender's in our community into a State database, and completed Mandatory Classes on the TML website.

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The Crime Scene Tech assisted with 28 cases, wrote 11 supplements, finger printed 4 subjects, processed 43 items of evidence, took 8 photographs, and maintained the Evidence room in an orderly fashion. The Crime Scene Tech and the Sergeant for the Criminal Investigations Bureau received numerous Destruction Orders from the Courts. The destructions orders were to destroy approximately 5 kilos of cocaine and approximately 80 pounds of marijuana, along with other miscellaneous items used in a commission of a crime. The pictures below are the boxes that contained the evidence to be destroyed.



Total number of Cases Filed with Kleberg District Attorney is 11  
Total number of Cases Filed with Kleberg County Attorney is 15  
Total number of Cases Filed with City Attorney is 6  
Total Number of Cases filed with Juvenile Court is 1  
Total number of Cases Pended Out is 18  
Total number of Cases that were Cold Cased is 17  
Total number of Cases pending lab reports is 0

**The Bi-Weekly List of Indictments**

Joe Garcia, 2 Counts of Theft w/ Prior Convictions; Charles Lee Slade, Unauthorized Use of a motor vehicle; Leonard Billy Wood, 3 Counts of Possession of Child Porn; Carlos Medrano, Enticing a Child; Reginald Reshawn Mack, Attempted Robbery; Paula Lamas, Burglary of Habitation; Matthew McBryar, Burglary of Habitation; Selestino Rodriguez, Assault on Public Servant and Harassment of Public Servant; Anica Garza, Evading Arrest/Detention, Smuggling of Persons, and Engaging in Organized Act; Raul Aguila, Money Laundering, and 2 counts of Theft; and Jose Buentello, Possession of Marijuana.

Total numbers of Accidents Public Street Accidents taken in by Accident Investigator is 21

Total number of DWI/DWLS/DWLI cases assigned to an investigator is 8

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**Communications Bureau**

Texas Municipal League training completed by all employees except for recently hired.

Sgt. Donald Lobaugh participated in two interview boards for prospective patrol candidates.

Lt. Lile, Lt. Cavazos and Sgt. Lobaugh had a successful interview with Mrs. Lori Cantu-Calimlim she has been recommended for employment. Mrs. Cantu-Calimlim started with the Kingsville Police Department Communications Department on Wednesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 Mrs. Cantu-Calimlim comes to us after serving in the United States Air Force.

All corrections that were required to complete the Uniform Crime Report Audit have been completed.

Congratulations to Ms. Ashley Garcia she has successfully completed her telecommunication operators training.

Received information from the Coastal Bend Council of Governments that Vista Com will be at the police station next week to do upgrades on the 911 Eventide Recorders. Received nine hundred and sixty three 911 calls. Received two thousand three hundred seventy regular calls to the station

***PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Charlie Cardenas, Director)***

**Engineering (3/9 – 3/30)**

Engineering/GIS

Engineering just received a new surveying “Total Station.” This equipment is compatible to an existing AUTOCAD 3D software, capable of entering the survey data points and drafting a set of plans in a matter of minutes. The software is programed to “connect the dots” automatically and draws roadways and ditches in minutes. Furthermore, what took an 8 hour day to survey a block roadway, now takes less than two (2) hours, making our roadway reconstruction program more effective and efficient. The “Total Stations” will be used for drainage projects as well. The Engineering Department received training from the vendor. One of the first projects that will be surveyed is the Escondido Ditch regarding at Escondido Estates. Engineering has performed preliminary surveys and will work with Kleberg County to have the ditch regarded to have more efficient run off flow.



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**Street Division (3/9 – 3/30)**

**Road Construction**

Project # 36 – 7<sup>th</sup> Street

Crews finished Project # 36 and picked up signs and barricades. Street crews have started on Project #37 – Alexander Street from 11<sup>th</sup> Street to 14<sup>th</sup> Street.



- Cut out Fordyce intersection and filled, cut grade, got elevations and lowered man holes
- Took loads to dump and KPD also checked on all sign devices
- Finished cutting ends, filled manhole areas and filled in ends
- Finished cutting, hauled material left behind by concrete contractor and received material
- Worked south block, set blue top and brought 36 tons of material back to Yard
- Cut blue tops, cut for valleys on Fordyce intersection and set hubs on next block
- Finished cutting to grade/blue tops, cleaned out edges, watered, rolled and primed for seal coat
- Seal coated entire area and laid hot mix
- Swept rock and cleaned up, got equipment ready for hot mix
- Cleaned up Project #37 – Alexander Street and opened up Project #34 ( Initial 7<sup>th</sup> Street)

Mowing/ Weed Eating

- North Y
- Sage Rd. From Young Drive to Armstrong Ave.
- Armstrong Ave. from 135 to Ave I
- Young Drive from Corral Ave. to FM 1355.
- General Cavazos Blvd. from Hwy 77 to the Base
- FM 3320 from Carlos Truan Blvd to FM 1717
- 6<sup>th</sup> St from Alexander to Dick Kleberg Park FM 1717
- Sidewalk on Corral from Hwy 77 to 14<sup>th</sup>
- Corral Ave. from 77 Bypass to 14<sup>th</sup> North Y
- 6<sup>th</sup> from Alexander to Dick Kleberg Park
- E General Cavazos Lot
- Street crews also landscaped the medians and trimmed trees on Santa Gertrudis

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Round Up (weed killer)

- Downtown
- Zone 3 (from Santa Gertrudis Ave to Sage Rd and from 6<sup>th</sup> St. to 14<sup>th</sup> St.)

Gutters

- Miller Ave. from 11<sup>th</sup> St to 6<sup>th</sup> St.
- 7<sup>th</sup> St. & 8<sup>th</sup> St from Miller Ave to Caesar Ave
- Hoffman Ave. from 6<sup>th</sup> St. to 13<sup>th</sup> St.
- Shelton Ave. from 8<sup>th</sup> St. to 14<sup>th</sup> St.
- 13<sup>th</sup> St. from Shelton Ave. to Caesar Ave.
- 11<sup>th</sup> St. from Caesar Ave. to Shelton Ave.
- 5<sup>th</sup> St. from Ailsie Ave. to Briarwood. 5<sup>th</sup> St. from Briarwood to Candlewood
- Briarwood from 5<sup>th</sup> St. to 3<sup>rd</sup> St.
- Candlewood from Briarwood to 5<sup>th</sup> St
- 4<sup>th</sup> St. from Candlewood to Birchwood
- Masters Drive & Allen Drive from Escondido to Dead End
- All of South Creek
- Nelda from Allen to Dead End
- Fisher from Allen to Boyd
- Boyd from Fisher to Dead End
- Jamlie to Stack St
- Reidda from 6<sup>th</sup> to Dead End
- Andron Lane from Trant Rd to Pippen Lane Hobb Valley

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- 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> from Kleberg to Kenedy
- 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> from Kenedy to Kleberg
- 13<sup>th</sup> from Kleberg to King
- Milton, Jackson & Wanda from King to Kenedy
- Jackson, Wanda & Wells from King to Kleberg
- King & University Dr.



Street Sweeping

- 11<sup>th</sup> St., 10<sup>th</sup> St, 8<sup>th</sup> St, 7<sup>th</sup> St, & 6<sup>th</sup> St from Yoakum Ave. to King Ave.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> St, 9<sup>th</sup> St from Yoakum Ave to Kleberg Ave
- Kleberg Ave from 3<sup>rd</sup> St to 11<sup>th</sup> St
- Ailsie from 6<sup>th</sup> to Franklin Adams
- King Ave from Highway 77 to Hwy141
- Carlos Truan Blvd from 14<sup>th</sup> St to Ailsie Ave
- Santa Gertrudis from University to Hwy 141
- 14<sup>th</sup> St from King Ave to Alexander
- General Cavazos Blvd. from 14<sup>th</sup> St to Hwy 77
- 14<sup>th</sup> St from General Cavazos Blvd to Ailsie Ave
- All of the Santa's area
- Helen Marie, Cecil & Jayvee from 6<sup>th</sup> St. to Chandler
- Chandler from Jayvee to Cecil
- 6<sup>th</sup> St from King Ave to General Cavazos Blvd
- 6<sup>th</sup> St from Caesar Ave to Kenedy Ave
- Ailsie Ave from 14<sup>th</sup> St to Kelly
- Ailsie Ave. from 14<sup>th</sup> St to Hwy 428
- Caesar Ave from 8<sup>th</sup> St to 6<sup>th</sup> St
- Caesar Ave from 6<sup>th</sup> St to 10<sup>th</sup> St

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- General Cavazos Blvd from 14<sup>th</sup> St to Hwy 77
- 11<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> from Yoakum to King
- Kleberg Ave from 11<sup>th</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> St
- Henrietta from Wells to Armstrong
- 5<sup>th</sup> St from Richard to Ella
- King St. from 5<sup>th</sup> St to Armstrong
- Armstrong from King to Henrietta 11<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> from Yoakum to King
- General Cavazos from 14<sup>th</sup> to Hwy 77
- Underpass at Hwy 77 & Corral Ave
- Underpass at 77 & Santa Gertrudis
- Shelly from Ailsie to General Cavazos
- Ailsie from 14<sup>th</sup> to Carlos Truan
- 9<sup>th</sup> from Yoakum to Kleberg
- Kleberg from 11<sup>th</sup> From 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Kleberg from 11<sup>th</sup> to Railroad
- 9<sup>th</sup> from Kleberg from Henrietta
- Alice & Lee from 5<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>
- Yoakum from 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>
- Santa Monica & Santa Cecilia from Santa Rosa to Santa Elena
- 6<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> from Corral to General Cavazos
- Armstrong from Corral to Caesar
- Corral from 77 to Armstrong
- Santa Gertrudis from University to 141
- General Cavazos from 14<sup>th</sup> to 77
- 6<sup>th</sup> from Lee to 428
- 14<sup>th</sup> from Corral to General Cavazos
- Armstrong from Yoakum to Lee
- Armstrong from Corral to Caesar
- 7<sup>th</sup> from Kenedy to Johnston
- 6<sup>th</sup> from 428 to Caesar
- King from 14<sup>th</sup> to University
- 6<sup>th</sup> from Corral to Caesar
- King St. from Armstrong to Hwy 77
- Allen Drive from Fisher to Escondido
- Kenedy from 6<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>
- 14<sup>th</sup> from Santa Gertrudis to Kleberg
- Yoakum from 10<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>
- 6<sup>th</sup> from Shelton to Corral
- Corral from 6<sup>th</sup> to Yard
- 14<sup>th</sup> from Kleberg to Caesar

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- Carlos Truan from 14<sup>th</sup> to Lewis
- Ailsie from 14<sup>th</sup> to Carlos Truan
- 7<sup>th</sup> from Johnston to Warren
- Alice from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup>
- 7<sup>th</sup> from Lott to Warren
- University from Santa Gertrudis to King
- King from 77 to 8<sup>th</sup>

Patching – Crews patched and filled in potholes:

- Trant Rd from CR 1717 to 6<sup>th</sup> St.
- Hobb Valley
- Zone 15- Escondido
- Trant Rd
- 6<sup>th</sup> & Santa Gertrudis
- CR 1049 N
- 7<sup>th</sup> & Ave B
- 404 W. Ave A
- 1018 E Lott
- Armstrong in front of Memorial Middle School
- Santa Rosa in front of school
- Young Drive 12<sup>th</sup> 7 Fordyce
- Fordyce from Old Lamar to Boxing Club
- Johnston & 16<sup>th</sup>
- 420 N 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Corral & Armstrong West
- Santa Monica Santa Rosa
- Caesar & 6<sup>th</sup>
- Ailsie & 6<sup>th</sup>
- Lee & 14<sup>th</sup> Shelton St
- 1018 E Lott Ave.
- 800 W Henrietta/ 700 W Henrietta
- 200 E Yoakum
- Armstrong & Ave I
- 119 N 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Fordyce from Old Lamar school to boxing club
- 420 N 3<sup>rd</sup>/Alice
- Johnston & 16<sup>th</sup>
- Yoakum & 14<sup>th</sup>

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New Crack Sealing Machine

The Street Department purchased a crack sealing machine and started "crack sealing" operations on Ailsie Street. Crack Sealing is a maintenance measure that will extend the life of a street by sealing a roadway crack with rubberized asphalt, prevent water to enter in the roadway subgrade.

Alley Maintenance

- 1018 E Lott
- Alexander & Miller in between 11<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>
- Alexander & Miller in between 8<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>

Miscellaneous Sign Shop

- Put new street signs on 12<sup>th</sup> & Lee
- Put in new benches on Kleberg St
- Took Walk Behind Saw to 7<sup>th</sup> & Fordyce
- Helped with Curbs & Gutters in Zone 15
- Saw a video for the Spray Machine
- Picked up trash bags from General Cavazos
- Watered trees on General Cavazos, 6th and Santa Gertrudis Ave.
- Replaced a Yield sign on 16<sup>th</sup> & Ave A
- Put up new sign names on Kleberg
- Took Walk Behind saw to George on 7<sup>th</sup> & Fordyce
- Painted parking lines on Kleberg
- Flagged on Armstrong & Yoakum to air a tire
- Put thermo plastic on Kleberg St. Replaced a Yield sign on 16<sup>th</sup> & Ave A
- Put up new sign names on Kleberg St.
- Put Thermo plastic on 7<sup>th</sup> & Kleberg
- Picked up propane from A&R
- Helped with Hot Mix and Sweeping
- Checked school lights on Ailsie
- Take barricades to Base
- Put new light bulbs on Kleberg
- Trimmed trees on General Cavazos
- Cleaned drains on 6<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> from Richard to Huisache
- Picked up Hot Mix in Corpus



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**Water Production Division (3/9 – 3/30)**

Division 16 will be at Well 19 on Monday, March 24<sup>th</sup> to finalize emergency generator electrical hook up. Loftin Generator personnel, Dave Brown, will test emergency generator at Water Well 19 on Wednesday, March 26, 2014. The generators at Well 19, 20, 21, 23 and 24 are operating just fine but the generator at Well 22 still has some issues. Loftin Equipment still believes that the problem lies with the booster and well motor soft starters. Loftin Equipment will contact the starter manufacturer to see if adjustments can be made to the starter. Eight Disinfection Byproduct Stage 2 samples were collected by TCEQ Contractors on Thursday March 13, 2014. Tanks Cathodic Protection systems checked out ok. Annual testing was performed by CORRPRO personnel on Thursday March 13, 2014. Emergency generator at Well 20 responded to a phase loss of AEP and stay on until normal power source was restored. The Water Production will be flushing all dead-end mains starting on 3/25/14 and will finish up Friday 3/28/14. Safety Topic for the month of April will be Chlorine Safety. American Underwater will be doing an inspection and cleaning all ground storage tanks on

Routine job - Collected 18 routine Bacteriological Samples; collected 21 daily chlorine residual, delivered Ammonia to 9 sites; delivered Chlorine to 9 sites.

Water pumped to distribution - Wells – 57,562,000 gallons; Surface – 33,900,000 gallons; 0 gallons for Ricardo bypass; Total 91,462,000 gallons; Average –4,355,333.33 gals/day

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**Wastewater Collection and Treatment Plant Division (3/9 – 3/30)**

Wastewater Treatment North Plant – Operators and Helpers cleaned primary and secondary clarifier troughs and weirs. Operators shoveled sludge from sand drying bed. Helpers and Operators are replacing and cleaning UV modules. We continue wasting in wedge and sand drying beds and wire drying beds. Operators and Helpers are mowing grass around plant and lift stations The 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Bio Monitoring Samples were sent off.

Wastewater Treatment South Plant - Operator cleaned clarifier troughs and shoveled sludge from sand drying beds. Crew is wasting in wedge wires and sand drying bed. Operators and helpers mowed grass around Plant and Lift Stations. Crews are wasting sludge into drying beds.

Wastewater Collection – Had 12 call outs for sewer backups

407 E. Ave B  
407 S. Lantana  
603 W. Ave B  
712 W. Yoakum Ave  
1244 E. Ave C  
1600 Brahma Blvd  
729 E. Kenedy Ave  
9<sup>th</sup> St and Alice Ave.  
3<sup>rd</sup> St. and Nettie Ave.  
127 W. Ave B  
601 Williams  
716 W. Ragland Ave

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Crews added caliche to the alley at 529 ½ E. Richard and spread caliche in the alley at 10<sup>th</sup> St. and Alice Ave. Crew started grease trap inspections. Repaired breather in drying bed and vacuumed thickeners at 3MGD

1 – Replaced sewer main, 9– line locates; 1 –disconnected sewer; 1 –installed clean out; 1-installed new main; 3- sewer line repair; 1 – vacuumed manhole; 1- locate manhole

Waste water crews added to the clean-up efforts around the city. Crews cleaned curb and gutters and picked up trash on US 77.

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**Water Distribution Division (3/9 – 3/30)**

Water Division Crews repaired 9 Main Breaks and answered approximately 64- Service Calls, 21- Locates, 12 - Service line leaks, 3- Meter Leaks, 21 - Backfills, 2 – customer side leaks; 2 – No Water Calls; 1 – Turn Off Water and 2 – low pressure calls

8”	Main Break	8 <sup>th</sup> St and Nettie Ave.
6”	Main Break	Wanda Ave. and Huisache Ave.
2”	Main Break	Wanda Ave and Huisache Ave
8”	Main Break	1803 S. Brahma Blvd
2”	Main Break	1522 E. Johnston Ave
2”	Main Break	400 E. Yoakum Ave.
2”	Main Break	1600 S. 11 <sup>th</sup> St.
2”	Main Break	2200 S. Brahma Blvd.
2”	Main Break	3 <sup>rd</sup> St and Kenedy Ave.

Water crews repaired a leaking Fire Hydrant at 2700 E. Corral Ave. Water crews made a 1” Tap at 1135 Yoakum Ave. and at 229 Helen Marie. We continue to lower water meters in the Paulson Falls Subdivision. Water crews are also laying a 2” line on the 200 and 3000 blocks of E. Henrietta. Water crews assisted contractor replace concrete at 14<sup>th</sup> St. and Ailsie Ave., King Ave and 11<sup>th</sup> St and on the 200 block of E. Henrietta Ave. Crews continued to complete project on the 200 and 300 block of E. Henrietta Ave. Water crews also cleaned up to prepare for the TML Conference.

**City Garage Division (3/9 – 3/30)**

Maintenance - 12 Oil changes on preventive maintenance; 48 scheduled work orders; 69 nonscheduled work; 19 Service calls; 1 Call out; 28 New tires on heavy equipment and trucks; 34 flat tire repairs and balances; 26 pending work orders. Unit 332 at Fleetpride and we are repairing the center boom on Unit 545 and Unit 544. The garage is repairing rear cylinders on Unit 336 and an electrical short on Unit 544.

Welder - 5 received work order and 6 pending work orders. Repaired gas cap at the Landfill and fabricated a tool for the Water Dept.

**Solid Waste Division (3/9 – 3/30)**

Landfill - (3/9 – 3/30) - Landfill crew continued litter clean up in and around facility. The Magnet Trailer is being used to pick up nails around the facility and on the roads leading to the Landfill. The City Garage came out to check the radiator on the D6-T Dozer. They found that the radiator had a small pinhole and ACME Radiator was called out for the repair. The Portable fence arrived from Coastal Netting. The articulated dump truck was dropped off by Jeff Harper from Waukesha Pierce. Stewart and Stevenson came to Landfill to install read valve on the Bomag Compactor and this did not fix the problem. It is fixed now if was found to have a clamp problem. We are cleaning, painting and weed eating around the wells and mowed grass around the office. The portable wind screens were assembled. We had 9 college students show up at the Landfill and pick up paper for the Bigger Event that was held on Saturday, March 22, 2014. Preventative maintenance was done on D6-T Dozer. Repaired the erosion n Type IV. Swept mud off entrance roads with the Rotary Broom and returned to the Street Dept. A new tarp was delivered from AAA Tarps. Crew worked on well and shredded tires.

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Trash –1354 tons; Brush –139 tons; Construction and Demolition (C & D) –237 tons; Concrete –.12.01 tons; Litter -1.39; Sludge – 30 tons; Metals - .53 tons; and Tires –7.08 tons; Quartered tires – 2.96 and Dirt – 7.8 tons

Sanitation - Residential waste collected from 3/9 – 3/30 – **1,036,540** pounds; Commercial waste collected **1,089,060** pounds; Brush collected **94,960** pounds and construction debris collected **78,180** pounds. The brush crew will be collecting in Zone 4 this week and working on abatements and demos when possible. White Good collection for Zone 4 is on Friday March 21, 2014. Sanitation has been helping Community Appearance finish small abatements as needed. Crews abated at 317 E. Ave B, 327 E. Henrietta and 1730 E. Ave F. Three more demolitions will be complete on March 31, 2014. They are at 315 E. Santa Gertrudis, 324 E. Henrietta and one on 1421 E. Kleberg Ave. The cost of the abatements is added to the customer's water bill. Sanitation is also helping with the enclosure suggestion in the City for the dumpsters used in commercial collections. The phase III of the project is now ready for quote submittal. Recycling for the month of February totaled 31.09 tons from the Recycling Center taken to Corpus Christi.

***PURCHASING AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of David Mason, Director)***

**Purchasing Division**

**Purchase Orders**

The last two weeks Purchasing issued 115 Purchase Order valued at \$818,644.50. P-Card review is under way. We are reviewing 99 P-cards with a total of \$52,297.06. Errors this month included wrong coding, late, not turned in at all, tax charges and missing back up information.



**Training**

Purchasing/ IT Director has been extremely busy having open Bids. This week a total of 4 Bids were opened for Concrete Street Improvements, 18" Waterline Extension, 24" Force Main Extension, and the 2000 Gallon Oil Distributor.

Dumpster Enclosure Phase III is currently out and will open on Wednesday, April 23, 2014 at 1:30 pm. The Purchasing staff is also working diligently on finalizing the lease agreement for the Oil Distributor and the Laydown Machine.

**Technology Division**

**New City Hall**

Staff has met with network consultant to prepare specifications for wiring and equipment for the new building. Preliminary plans are expected next week.

**Webqa**

Training has taken place and continues as Public Works transitions from Iworks to GovQa for the work order system. GovQa is currently being used by Code Enforcement and Permits.

**Laserfiche**

Several staff members attended the Laserfiche User Group held at the Community Center in Portland, TX.

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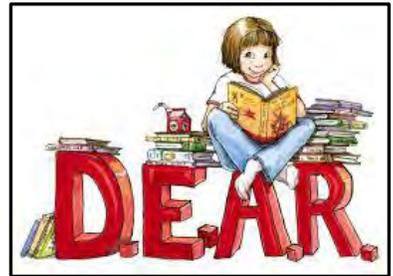
**XP Conversions**

This is the current status of the XP conversions by location. The conversions are going as well as could be expected the only thing that we are lacking are the docking stations for the tablets. Status of the departments follows: Community Appearance: Compliant; Health Department: Compliant; Public Works: 3 machines on XP (SCADA); Tourism: Compliant; Fire Department: Compliant; Task Force: 1 machine on XP; Landfill: Compliant; Waste Water: 1 machine on XP (SCADA); City Hall: 1 machine on XP

***R J. KLEBERG PUBLIC LIBRARY (Courtesy of Robert Rodriguez, Director)***

**Drop Everything and Read**

The Robert J. Kleberg Public Library is celebrating the Drop Everything and Read (D.E.A.R.) Day with a special story time on Saturday, April 12, 2014, at 10 a.m. that will feature Easter stories, songs, dances and activities. D.E.A.R. Day is celebrated annually on April 12 in honor of bestselling children's author Beverly Cleary's birthday. Her birthday was chosen after she referenced the D.E.A.R. program in her book *Ramona Quimby, Age 8*. Since then, the D.E.A.R. Day has grown in popularity. On April 12, patrons



of all ages are encouraged to attend story time at the library. Patrons who attend the library's storytime can then complete a D.E.A.R. Challenge Card and become eligible for a gift certificate drawing. Another option for interested D.E.A.R. participants is to read their own books for 30 minutes for pleasure. The library has a diverse selection of reading levels and subject matters for patrons to choose from. All patrons regardless of age, who take part in the D.E.A.R. 30-minute challenge, are eligible to submit a Challenge Card for one of five \$25 gift certificates from Young's Pizza. Simply return the Challenge Card to the library by 12 noon on Tuesday, April 22, 2014, to qualify for the drawing. Invite your family and friends to take part in the library's D.E.A.R. Day program, and make reading a priority. The Woman's Club of Kingsville's Flair Department is a proud sponsor of this program. For information on the D.E.A.R. program, call the library at 361-592-6381.

**Special Toddler Story Time**

The library has prepared special Easter activities during its weekly Toddler Story Time on Thursday, April 17, 2014, at 9:30 a.m. Children aged birth to five years old are invited to attend. The activities will begin



in the children's area with stories, songs, and a special "Bunny Hokey-Pokey." The children will then "bunny hop" to the courtyard area for an Easter egg hunt. Children participating in the egg hunt should bring their favorite egg-gathering basket. Parents are encouraged to bring their cameras because the children will have a special visit from the Easter bunny. The library will serve snacks to the children and their parents after the egg hunt. Why not begin your Easter festivities at the library!

**Easter Holiday Wishes**

The Board and staff of the Robert J. Kleberg Public Library wish everyone a very happy Easter holiday. In observance of Good Friday, the library will be closed Friday and Saturday, April 18-19, 2014. The library will reopen at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, April 22, 2014.



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***RISK MANAGEMENT (Courtesy of Melissa Perez, Manager)***

**Customer Service Training**

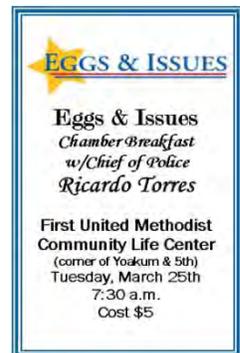
Risk Manager Melissa Perez-City Engineer Charlie Cardenas & Asst Public Works Director Bill Donnell conduct Customer Service Safety Training



**Safety Training**

Risk Manager Melissa Perez- City Engineer Charlie Cardenas and Asst. Public Works Director Bill Donnell conduct Monthly Safety Training for the Public Works department on Wednesday March 19<sup>th</sup>. The Topics were: Customer Service & Backing up Safety. Employees were notified by flyer of the Training and were shown a Power Point Presentation, a discussion followed. Several Public Works employees discussed with their employees the importance of giving good customer service to Kingsville residents and the hazards that can happen when driving a motor vehicle or motorized equipment (Safe Backing Up).

**Risk Manager attends Eggs & Issues Meeting on March 25<sup>th</sup>**



Risk Manager along with several directors attended a Chamber Breakfast with guest speaker Chief Ricardo Torres Kingsville Police Department, on Tuesday March 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30am at the Community Life Center at the corner of N. 5<sup>th</sup> St & Yoakum. Chief Ricardo Torres with Kingsville Police are working to improve proactive measures against criminal activity in the city through increased training and community partnerships, Police Chief Ricardo Torres said during Tuesday's Eggs and Issues event at the First United Methodist Church and presented a very informative PowerPoint presentation on the issues.

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**City Employees assist City Secretary in decorating the Henrietta Memorial for TML Region Meeting**

Risk Manager Melissa Perez, David Mason Purchasing Director, Mary Valenzuela City Secretary, Theresa Cavazos & Jessica Storck from Planning Department and several other employees were up early on March 27<sup>th</sup> to assist the City Secretary in preparing for the Regional TML Meeting. Decorations and tables were set up just precise with tablecloths. David Mason made sure the speaker system was ready. It was plenty of work, but it was a Team effort. The meeting was a success.



**Risk Manager prepares to conduct Safety & Health Orientation for two new employees**

Like clockwork, the Risk Manager prepares documentation and city caps for two new city employees on March 24<sup>th</sup> in her office. Most orientations take about 35 minutes. Employees are greeted with a smile and meet with the RM to review the City's Safety and Health handbook and Workers Compensation Policies. Depending on the department, the orientation training can be costumed for each specific department depending on its needs. The objective is to provide new personnel with adequate and substantial basic safety and health training to effectively perform assigned duties and tasks and to provide a record of training on each employee before being assigned his/her job. The employee's supervisor will then ensure all required specialized and monthly training is scheduled, completed, and documented in a safe manner according to policies and procedures set forth.



**TML Regional Meeting – March 27<sup>th</sup> 2014**



The City of Kingsville hosted the TML Region 11 Quarterly Meeting Thursday, March 27, 2014 Henrietta Memorial Center 405 N. 6th Street, Kingsville, TX

Topic: "Public Safety Broadband and the Implications for Local Elected Officials"

Presenter: Randy Dickson, Outreach & Education, Texas Department Public Safety Broadband Program. The Henrietta Memorial Museum, 405 N. 6th Street: was open from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. for shopping, tours and to learn about the history of the City. A social hour followed the Presentation with a delicious dinner from Premont, Catering. Great Job Everyone!!

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**2014 Texas Safety Conference & Expo**

Safety Risk Manager attended the National Safety Conference & Expo in Galveston Texas from March 29<sup>th</sup> thru March 31<sup>st</sup>. The National Safety Conference & Expo experience offers: New innovative safety solutions in the New Product Showcase, Industry trends & challenges by attending Keynote sessions, Network with more than 14,000 Safety, Health and Environmental professionals, Explore the Expo floor offering over 900 companies showcasing the latest products and services, Learn how to tackle today's safety challenges head-on during Professional Development Seminars.



**Meeting with Lions Club Members to evaluate upcoming Bike Route for “A Ride on the Wild Side” Saturday April 26<sup>th</sup> (Benefits Texas Lions Camp for Disabled Children)**

The Risk Manager Melissa Perez with Cynthia Martin, William Donnell and Joey Reed attended a meeting

with members Carol Ann, Mary & Wanda from the Kingsville Lion's Club, to discuss the upcoming bike route for the “Ride on the Wild Side” coming Saturday April 26<sup>th</sup>. Registration and Packets can be picked up at Santa Gertrudis Breeding Headquarters Hwy. 141 (King



@Santa Gertrudis Avenue. The route will start at the King Ranch Visitor Center on 141. There will be 5 routes and full-service rest-stops and medical assistance. The route will be safe and sufficient law enforcement and Safety staff will be on-hand to assist bikers.

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***TASK FORCE (Courtesy of Guillermo "Willie" Vera, Commander)***

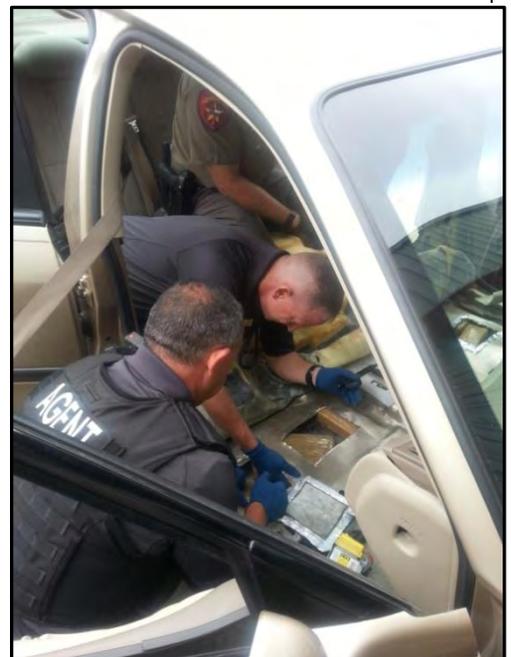
**Money and Vehicle Seized by Kingsville Task Force Agents**

On Thursday March 20, 2014 Kingsville Specialized Crimes and Narcotics Task Force Agents Mike Tamez and Ruben Villalobos were working interdiction on U.S. Hwy 77 near SH 285 when they conducted a traffic stop on a 2005 Dodge Neon driven by a male subject from Mission, Texas. Upon gaining consent to search the vehicle, Task Force Agents noticed anomalies on the dash board and fire wall. Agents then noticed a black bundle in one of the vents off the fire wall. The vehicle's dash board was removed and 5 bundles were recovered. A total of \$121,320.00 in U.S. Currency was found. The driver was arrested for Money Laundering and Unlawful Use of a Criminal Instrument and booked at the Kleberg County Jail. Case is pending further investigation.



**Drug Interdiction on U.S. Highway 77**

On Friday March 21, 2014 Kingsville Specialized Crimes and Narcotics Task Force Agent Mike Tamez was working criminal interdiction on U.S. Highway 77 northbound when he stopped a 2005 Chevy Impala for a traffic violation. When he approached the 38 year old driver he noticed the driver seat was sitting higher than usual for a Chevy Impala. Further inspection revealed a false compartment under the front seats. Upon removing



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taped plates from the floor board, 13 bundles of Marijuana were discovered and removed. A total of 15.8 lbs. of Marijuana was confiscated. Investigation continues.

**Task Force Agent Assists with LPR Link Training in Portland, Texas**

Mr. Scott Spencer from Montgomery County Sheriff's Office requested assistance from the Kingsville Specialized Crimes and Narcotics Task Force with a training class in Portland, Texas. Task Force Agent Richard Kirkpatrick assisted with the specialized training on Tuesday March 25th. The License Plate Reader (LPR) Link Training class was for the Victoria County Sheriff's Office and several Corpus Christi federal agencies. The National Seashore Park Rangers, Corpus Christi Drug Enforcement Agency and Homeland Security Investigation agents and sheriff's deputies were represented. Approximately 50 state and federal personnel attended the LPR class.

**"Wings over South Texas Air Show" – NAS Kingsville, Texas**

Kingsville Special Crimes and Narcotics Task Force Agents assisted with crowd control at the NAS Kingsville Air Show on Saturday 3/29/14 and Sunday 3/30/14. Over 100 overtime hours were worked by Kingsville Task Force Agents during this very successful event. A Great Job Award for everyone that assisted with this year's Air Show.

**Annual Palmer Drug Abuse Program Walk in Kingsville, Texas**

On Tuesday April 1, 2014 Kingsville Specialized Crimes and Narcotics Task Force staff attended the kickoff luncheon for the April 26<sup>th</sup> Palmer Drug Abuse Program (PDAP) Walk. Every year the walk has a celebrity Grand Marshall and this year KPD Chief Ricardo Torres and Sheriff Ed Mata Jr., both previous Grand Marshalls,



suggested that Commander Willie Vera be one of this year's Grand Marshalls. The PDAP advisory council voted unanimously to have Commander Vera Co-Marshall the walk with KISD School Administrator, Odie Moreno. Pictured are City of Kingsville Staff with Commander Vera at the luncheon.

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***TOURISM SERVICES DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Bob Trescott, Director)***

**Air Show**

Air show planning started with trepidation over the limitations being imposed by the Pentagon but the base leadership and community liaisons made the event the biggest yet, with several new or expanded community initiatives.



The City made in-kind commitment of more than \$25,000 in support of the Naval Air Station biennial Wings over South Texas Air Show. That commitment was in support of safety, security, sanitation and cleanliness – as well as in marketing.

This year, we also provided regional visitors information services. We utilized a 40 by 50 foot aircraft canopy, at the entrance to the airshow midway as a regional tourism information pavilion for the tens of thousands of visitors to get a taste of Kingsville and to get information about area attractions.

Partners participating included:

- Kingsville Tourism
- Coastal Bend College
- Bishop Chamber of Commerce
- King Ranch Visitors Services
- 1909 H M King School
- Kleberg County Parks
- Fire & Volunteer Fire Departments
- Kingsville Kleberg Library
- Civitan
- Coastal Compass Center
- PanAm School

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The Police Department had their own static display.



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**Lions Club Bicycle Events**

Texas Lions Camp 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Bicycle Ride came to Kingsville where they made an overnight stop. The ride started in Brownsville and ended in Kerrville, where the camp is located. The riders were accompanied by a van equipped to do free eye screenings along the way. The Kingsville Noon Lions provided free eye screening at the Train Depot Museum. The bicycle riders, all Texas Lion's Club members, started to arrive mid-afternoon. The Kingsville Club provided all participants with a dinner held at the downtown pavilion where they fired up the grill and cooked hamburgers for all. There were about 35 bicycle riders and, with associated crew, dinner was served to 50 folks.

Chief Reed, Bill Donnell and Melissa Perez and Cynthia Martin met with Carol Ann Anderson and other members of the Kingsville Noon Lions Club for the City to go over plans for the April 26th Ride the Wild Side bike ride fundraiser.

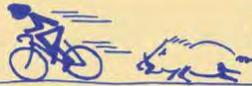


**Downtown Bigger Event**



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## Upcoming ad campaign for Bike Ride in TexasNow magazine



## A Ride on the Wild Side

**WHEN:** Friday, April 25th 6pm-8pm Dinner in Downtown Kingsville  
Saturday, April 26, 2014 Registration 7am; Start 8AM

**WHERE:** King Ranch, Kingsville

**WHAT:** Bike Rides of various lengths – up to 99K (62 miles)

**WHY:** Benefiting Texas Lions Camp for Physically Handicapped Children

The annual "A Ride on the Wild Side" bike ride will once again be taking place on and around the historic King Ranch in Kingsville. Not just for professional seasoned riders, this event includes four different rides that even an occasional rider would enjoy. Benefiting Texas Lions Camp for physically handicapped children,

this is not only a wonderful chance to view the King Ranch from a bicycle, but help our children as well.

All four rides begin on the King Ranch. There is a 10-mile loop on the King Ranch. And various additional loops that total up to 99K. With fairly good paved roads, the segments of the route outside the city have mostly flat contours with some rolling dips through creek bed areas. You could be in for a beautiful wildflower display.

The King Ranch is one of the most well-known ranches in the world. Comprised of over



*This Is A Bike Ride Designed For Both The Professional And The Enthusiast*



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825,000 acres of cattle range, it's one of the largest working ranches in the world. The ranch has made history with their efforts of nature conservation, world class nature tours and offers protected habitat for an abundance of wildlife. Showcasing a bird list of over 356 species, along with thousands of deer, javelina, wild cats and reptiles, you never know what you'll see on this ride on the wild side!

The ten mile loop on the King ranch is paved and is the route the tour bus groups take. If you've never had the opportunity to take the King Ranch

tour here's your chance – on a bike! A favorite of professional wildlife photographers this is a not-to-be-missed 10 mile segment.

The fun starts to build the evening before the race on Friday, April 26th from 6pm-8pm, with dinner being served-up in downtown Kingsville at the Community Life Center. Dress is very casual. You may even get some good old South Texas/Ranch music and you can bring a guest for only \$5.00. If

you haven't already registered for the race, you can do so at the dinner. On-site registration the day of the event takes place from 7-8am at the Kingsville Publishing office, located at West Highway 141 at Santa Gertrudis Street (directly across from the King Ranch entry gate).

Proceeds from the ride benefit the Texas Lions Camp for Physically Handicapped Children. The camp, located in Kerrville, Texas educates children on how to work with their handicap and assists those stricken with Juvenile Diabetes to take control of their disease and treatment. The camp is 100% supported by the Lions



### WORKING HANDS

An Exhibition of Photographs by Rick Williams



**Apr 7 – May 23**

**John E. Conner Museum**  
905 W. Santa Gertrudis Ave.

361-925-2910  
connermuseum@tamuk.edu

*A Fine Example Of What You Might Experience During The Ride On The King Ranch*

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of Texas and is free to all children 18 years of age and under – regardless of financial status.

**WOW!** Dinner in historic downtown Kingsville and a ride on and around the King Ranch – it doesn't get much better than that folks. Start checking your bike gear now and get ready to take a "Ride on the Wild Side" at the King Ranch.



There will be other attractions that weekend: a sanctioned BBQ cook-off, an art walk, live music, activities for non-riders and activities for all before and after your ride.

For more information go to Event Website: <http://www.kingsvilletexas.com/event/ride-on-the-wild-side/> or call the

Kingsville Visitor's Center at (361) 592-8516. For more information and registration forms go to [www.kingsvilletexas.com](http://www.kingsvilletexas.com).

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**TUES APRIL 1**  
Aransas Pass, Rialto Rhythm Jam Session every Tuesday, 6:30pm - 9:30pm, Rialto Theater, 327 S Commercial

**THURS APRIL 3**  
Refugio, Refugio Country Opry, Expo Center (361)526-2835 or refugiochamber@sbcglobal.net

**FRI APRIL 4**  
McAllen, RGV HOME & GARDEN SHOW 24TH ANNUAL, Continues through Sunday, McAllen Convention Center, 700 Convention Center Boulevard.

**Port Aransas, First Friday Art Reception, 5:30pm-7:30pm, Port Aransas Art Center, FMI: 361-749-7334 or email: artcenter@centurytel.net**

**SAT APRIL 5**  
Galveston, Movie Night on The Strand: The Maltese Falcon (1941) 7pm, Saengerfest Park, 2300 Strand  
Harlingen, Jackson Street Market Days, First Saturday of Every Month  
McAllen, Music After-hours Outdoor Concert Series, historic Archer Park on Main Street. FREE EVENT. FMI: <http://mcallenmusic.com/Music-Afterhours>  
Palacios, Patchwork of Life - Christian Women's Conference and Quilt Exhibition, 8:30am - 3:00pm, Christian Life Center. FMI: [www.patchworkoflife.com](http://www.patchworkoflife.com)

**Port Lavaca, Market Days, 8am-3pm, EVERY OTHER MONTH, Bauer Community Center parking lot located at 2300 Hwy. 35 N. FMI: <http://www.portlavacamarketdays.com>**

**Victoria, Historic Homes Tour, Sat 10am-5pm; Sunday 12pm-5pm. FMI: (361) 573-5277 or [admin@victoriachamber.org](mailto:admin@victoriachamber.org)**

**SUN APRIL 6**  
Galveston, Farmers Market, 9am-1pm. 2508 Postoffice. Every Sunday!  
Kingsville, The Bison: American Icon Exhibit through May 25, Conner Museum TAMK, 905 West Santa Gertrudis. FMI: 361-593-2810  
Kingsville, Kingsville Symphony Orchestra Spring Welcome, 3pm-5pm, Jones Auditorium, 700 University Blvd. FMI: (361)593-2804 or email at [kingsvillesymphony@gmail.com](mailto:kingsvillesymphony@gmail.com)

**Victoria, Our Saviour's Lutheran 6th Annual Springfest 10:30am-5pm. FMI: (361)575-4305 or [belinda@b-creative.cc](mailto:belinda@b-creative.cc)**

**WEDS APRIL 9**  
Brownsville, UTB MARIACHI OCELOTETLAN FUND-RAISING CONCERT, 7:30am-9pm, 80 Fort Brown Street, FMI: (956)882-8943

**THURS APRIL 10**  
Galveston, 12th Annual FeatherFest & PhotoFest through Sunday, Island Wide. FMI: <http://www.galveston.com/calendarofevents/>

**FRI APRIL 11**  
Aransas Pass, 3rd Annual "Rock the Dock" In-Water Boat Show, 12pm-7pm, Redfish Bay Boat House, 322 Huff St; FMI 361-758-9000

**Port Aransas, Texas Sand Fest through Sunday, 9am-6pm all three days. Largest Master Sand Sculpting Competition in the US**

**South Padre, Beach N Biker Fest, 10am-4pm through Sunday, South Padre Island Convention Centre, 7355 Padre Blvd. FMI: [Beachnbikerfest.com](http://Beachnbikerfest.com)**

**SAT APRIL 12**  
Bay City, Rally on the River, Bay City Riverside

**Park, 9:15am-5:30pm. FMI: [mcbnc.org](http://mcbnc.org) or call (979) 240-4872**  
Bay City, 2nd Annual Cops & Rodders Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show, 10am, Matagorda County Fairgrounds. FMI: Sheriff's Office (979)245-5526  
Brownsville, Chalk Art 2014, 9am-2pm, 501 E Ringgold St. FMI: (956) 548-9300  
Call: (956) 548-9300  
Galveston, The Ja-Ga Reggae Festival, Saturday: 10am to Midnight Sunday: Noon to 8pm, 2102 Seawall Blvd. FMI: [www.jagafest.com](http://www.jagafest.com)  
Rockport, 25th Annual Tour of Homes through Sunday April 13, 10am-4pm, FMI 361-729-5519  
Victoria, Third Annual Scott Taylor Band Crawfish Fest. Gates open @11am, music noon-midnight; Victoria Community Center, 2905 E. North Street. FMI: <http://www.thescottaylorband.com/>  
Victoria, Taste of the Trail 2014 4:30pm-11pm, Bellevue Ranch. FMI: 361-277-2866 or [trailboss@chisholmtrailmuseum.org](mailto:trailboss@chisholmtrailmuseum.org)



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***MEETINGS, EVENTS AND REMINDERS (Courtesy of Mary Valenzuela, City Secretary)***

**Regular Commission Meetings (Robert H. Alcorn Commission Chambers)**

Monday, April 14, 2014      6:00 p.m.  
Monday, May 12, 2014      6:00 p.m.  
Monday, May 26, 2014      6:00 p.m.

**Municipal Court Dates (Commission Chambers)**

Thursday, April 10, 2014      3:00 p.m.  
Thursday, May 22, 2014      3:00 p.m.

**Board Meetings (Commission Chambers)**

Planning and Zoning Board	Wednesday, April 16, 2014	7:00 p.m.
Historic Development Board	Wednesday, April 16, 2014	4:00 p.m.
Zoning Board of Adjustments	Thursday, April 10, 2014	6:00 p.m.
Civil Service Commission	TBA	11:00 a.m.

**Board Meetings (Respective Location)**

Library Board	Wednesday, April 30, 2014	4:00 p.m.
City/County Health Board	(3 <sup>rd</sup> week of every other month @ 5:30 p.m.)	

**Texas Municipal League Region 11 Quarterly Meeting**

Henrietta Memorial Center 405 N. 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Thursday, March 27, 2014      4:00 p.m.

**City of Kingsville/KISD Joint General Election**

**Election Day:** Saturday, May 10, 2014 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**Early voting by personal appearance**

<b>Main Early Voting Polling Place</b>	<b>Date and Hours</b>	
Kingsville City Hall	April 28 – May 2, 2014	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
200 E. Kleberg Avenue	May 5 & May 6, 2014	7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**Temporary Branch/Mobile Polling Places**

KISD Administration Bldg. 207 N. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Street	April 28 – May 6, 2014	8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Harrel Elementary School 925 South Armstrong	April 28, 2014	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Memorial Middle School 915 South Armstrong	April 28, 2014	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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Harvey Elementary School 1301 E. Kenedy	April 29, 2014	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Perez Elementary School 1111 E. Ailsie Ave.	April 29, 2014	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Kleberg Elementary School 900 N. 6 <sup>th</sup> Street	April 30, 2014	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Gillett Intermediate School 1007 N. 17 <sup>th</sup> Street	April 30, 2014	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
H.M. King Fine Arts Building 2210 Brahma Blvd.	May 1, 2014	8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Reminders:**

City Secretary requests Commission Member Nominations for the following Vacant Board Positions:

<b>Board Name</b>	<b>Vacancies</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>		
Zoning Board of Adjustments	0	0	Joint	Airport
Zoning Board	0	0		
Civil Service Commission	1	0		
Historic Development Board	0	0		
Planning & Zoning Commission	0	0		

**I would like to thank those individuals who assisted with the TML Region 11 Quarterly meeting which was held on March 27, 2014.**

- Theresa Cavazos, Permitting Department
- Jessica Storck, Planning Department
- Judy Gonzales, Tourism Department
- David Mason, Purchasing/IT Director
- Emilio Garcia, Health Director
- Dianne Leubert, City Commissioner
- Charlie Cardenas, Public Works Director/Engineer
- Melissa Perez, Risk Manager
- Bill Donnell, Assistant Public Works Director
- Juan Trejo, Street Department
- Kelly Foster, Street Department
- Thelma Trevino, Purchasing and Technology Department

**THANK YOU!!**