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“The best government is that which teaches us to govern ourselves.”

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, www.brainyquote.com

“Laws too gentle are seldom obeyed; too severe, seldom executed.”

Benjamin Franklin, www.brainyquote.com

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

Good Job Award!!!

Please consider Tony Wilson, Information Systems Technician for the Kingsville Police Department, as my nomination for the City Manager's "Good Job Award".

Tony has been a great addition to the staff at the PD. He has shown that he is committed to the mission, vision and values of the City of Kingsville by not only performing the duties he has been assigned but expanding his role from traditional to being a great resource to assist our officers and investigators in their investigation where technology has become a big issue. Criminals are better educated on information systems than law enforcement so Tony has helped to close this gap. Tony has proven his worth on many occasions downloading video surveillance from all sorts of video systems within our city. This has led to positive resolution of crimes that have been reported which in turn resulted in a better view of the police department by our citizens. They know that we are working our hardest to insure that reported crimes are being solved.



Tony Wilson
Information Systems
Technician



If Tony does not have an answer for a problem he has multiple contacts who he can ask for assistance. If all else fails he finds instructional material via the internet or any other means and normally within a day or two has found the answer and is able to quickly implement the "fix" into whatever he has been assigned that day.

Tony Wilson has truly become a "GAME CHANGER," for the Kingsville Police Department. Thank you for your consideration of him for the "Good Job Award".

Sincerely,
Rick Torres, Police Chief

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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

Tony Wilson	Police Department	4/28/14	Positive Change Agent
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 MANAGER (Courtesy of Vince Capell, City Manager)

People have been asking me what I put in my morning coffee. Here's the answer ☺.



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

Administration Division

Meeting with TML Discovery Team

Department Director, Supervisors and Managers met with the TML Discovery Team Members Art Alvarez and Irvin Janak to review and discuss ways to reduce worker's compensation claims per city department. Discussed were several recommendations from the TML Discovery Team to improve the safety and quality of work.

Congratulations to Monica Longoria

Monica Longoria, Administrative Assistant II, has been appointed by the Secretary of State of Texas as a Notary Public in the State of Texas. Monica has been with the Health Department since August 2013. Her Notary Public Commission allows her to notarize documents for the Health Department as well as the Public in general.



City-County Health Department Revenues

Below is a table showing the Health Department income revenue on a monthly basis for Consumer Health and Animal Control. Consumer revenues include food handler and fundraiser food handler class fees; temporary food event permits fees and Heimlich posters. Animal Control revenues include impoundment fees, adoption fees, observation fees and euthanasia fees.

Statistics-Revenues

Fees collected	Consumer Health	Animal Control
Oct 2013	\$897.00	\$1,185.00
Nov 2013	\$869.70	\$1,715.00
Dec 2013	\$1,809.45	\$1,305.00
Jan 2014	\$1,377.29	\$2,545.00
Feb 2014	\$1,393.00	\$815.00
Mar 2014	\$1,778.00	\$2,730.00

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 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.

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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.

TAMUK/Subway-100	TAMUK/Javelina Bookstore-93	TAMUK/Starbucks-100
Dollar Tree-96	El Dorado-95	The Party Barn-96
Dollar General/S.14 TH -93	Church's Fried Chicken-93	Kingsville Bakery-100
El Pastel Bakery-100	Dollar General/N. 14 TH -96	CVS-97
Santa Gertrudis School-100	Academy High School-100	China West-96
Family Dollar-96	El Corral Tex-Mex Restaurant-85	Granny's Tamales-91
Subway-90	Boat N Net-96	Wal-Mart/Meat Market-97
Wal-Mart/Deli-97	Wal-Mart/Grocery-93	Summer Snow-96
Tropical Freeze-100		

Regular & Fundraiser Food Handler Classes

Food Handler Class	15 Students	Fundraiser Class-Iglesia Del Valle & Elks Lodge
Food Handler Class	2 Student	Regular Food Handler Class-Health Department

Permitted Temporary (Fundraiser) or Permanent Food Events

Rebecca Gonzales	Temporary Food Event-Brisket plate sale
Benefit for Albert Zarate	Temporary Food Event-Hamburger sale
City of Kingsville-PDAP	Temporary Food Event- Hot dogs, chips & soda sale
Sara Simacek Fish Truck	Fresh fish sale
HM King School/Mariachi	Temporary Food Event- Lumpias & BBQ chip combo sale
Kenny's Funland Carnival	Temporary Food Event-2 concession stands for carnival
Relay 4 Life/Team ST2FC	Temporary Food Event- Elotes & more
Benefit for Jesse Montes	Temporary Food Event- Brisket plate sale
Benefit for Artie Basaldua	Temporary Food Event-Brisket/Sausage plate sale

New Businesses

Elote Mexicano Mobile Unit- 1000 Block of West Kleberg / HM King High School Cafeteria- C/O Inspection Passed

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Consumer Health	Food Establishment Insp.	Restroom Insp.	Food Handler Attendees	Day Care & Foster Homes Insp.
Oct 2013	40	29	84	4
Nov 2013	22	46	71	3
Dec 2013	24	42	10	3
Jan 2014	38	56	38	3
Feb 2014	51	46	200	1
Mar 2014	49	90	184	1

Animal Control Division

Did you know?

- Half of all pet owners say that if they were stranded on a deserted island they would rather be with their pet than with other persons.
- Dogs can donate blood to other dogs and cats can donate blood to other cats.

Food Donation- Thank you Wal-Mart!

Wal-Mart donated 100 pounds of dog food, 45 pounds of cat food, and 24 cans of dog food. Thank you Wal-Mart for your food donation!



Wal-Mart another wonderful food donation 70 pounds of dry dog food, 50 pounds of dry cat food and doggie treats. THANKS Wal-Mart!



Loose Horse on County Road FM 1355

The City-County Health Department received a phone call from a person stating they saw a loose horse on Farm Market 1355. Animal Control Officers were dispatched to the area and came upon a loose horse walking along the right of way. They lasoed the horse and detained him until the owner was notified. The owner soon arrived and placed the horse back into his property. Pictured is Animal Control Officer Robert Hinojosa.



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Animal Control-Pet Adoption Day

The City-County Health Department-Animal Control Division recently held their Monthly Pet Adoption Day on Saturday, April 12, 2014 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at our local Tractor Supply Store. Several dogs and cats were displayed for the public to see and pet. We had two dogs get adopted and are going to a forever home. Also two cats were rescued by ARK. The City-County Health Department would like to give **A Big Thanks** to our local Tractor Supply Company and Tammy Mungia, Store Manager for allowing us to have our once a month Pet Adoption Day at their store. We would like also to thank ARK (Animal Rescue Kleberg) for rescuing the two cats and the two individuals who adopted each dog from our shelter. Thank you Jessica Montalvo, Customer Service Representative and Ernest Espinosa, Animal Control Officer for all that you do.

Ernie & Jessica ready to adopt out Animals



Doggies waiting to be adopted or rescued



These two adult cats are waiting to be adopted or rescued

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Statistics-Animal Control

Animal Control	Oct 2013	Nov 2013	Dec 2013	Jan 2014	Feb 2014	Mar 2014
Dogs impounded	88	120	134	116	146	135
Dogs adopted	25	14	19	31	30	20
Dogs released	22	22	30	16	27	27
<i>Dogs Rescue (Groups)</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>11</i>
Cats impounded	154	121	97	89	107	167
Cats adopted	3	3	7	4	4	4
Cats released	0	3	3	3	1	3
Cats rescued (Groups)	0	0	2	8	4	1
Opossum in traps	70	61	40	59	37	75
Other impounded	3	2	2	3	3	0
Other animals adopted	0	0	2	0	1	0
# of humans bitten	4	3	9	3	2	5
Animals obs. 10 days	3	2	4	2	3	5
Warnings issued	1	0	0	0	0	0
Citation issued	21	20	25	55	51	35

Animal Control-Next Monthly Pet Adoption Day

Please join us at our next Pet Adoption Day

Saturday, May 10, 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

NATIONAL ANIMAL CONTROL

APPRECIATION WEEK

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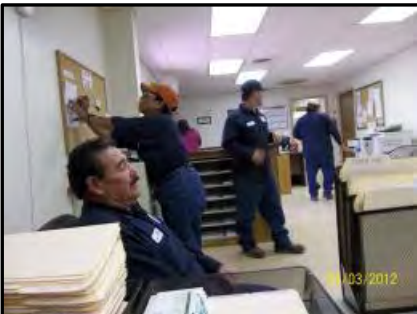


This week we salute all of our Animal Control Employees for their hard work and unselfish devotion to animals. A big thank you for the work they do for the City of Kingsville and Kleberg County.

Animal Control Officers: Robert Puente, Ernie Espinosa, Jesse Ybarra, Robert Hinojosa, Kennel Attendant, Teresa Orr and Customer Service Representative, Jessica Montalvo.

Jesse Ybarra, ACO Retires

The City-County Health Department Employees, City of Kingsville and Kleberg County would like to extend warm **Congratulations to Animal Control Officer, Jesse Ybarra on his Retirement!** Jesse worked for the City-County Health Department for 15 years. His last day was Thursday, April 3, 2014. Through hot days, cold nights, rainy weather, Jesse was always there to work and always gave 110 percent and will be dearly miss. To Jesse Ybarra Congratulations on your retirement, may God Bless you and your family in your new chapter in life.



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Mosquito Control Division-(Vector)

Honey Bees in a tree

The City-County Health Department received a phone call from a young lady who lives on the 600 block of West Doddridge. She was concerned about some Honey Bees that had taken residence on a tree in her front yard. Emilio H. Garcia and Ernest Espinosa were dispatched to the location to inspect the bee call. They saw a small group of bees on a limb of the tree. Ernest suited up in a bee suit and abated the bees. Pictured is Animal Control Officer, Ernest Espinosa.

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Statistics-Vector Control

Vector Control	Oct 2013	Nov 2013	Dec 2013	Jan 2014	Feb 2014	Mar 2014
Calls pertaining to bees	18	11	4	3	3	9
Removal of swarms	8	8	0	0	1	1
Site unable to abate	10	3	4	3	2	8
Mosquito surveillance	1	0	0	0	0	0
Larvacide applications (Blocks)	6	0	0	0	0	0

FINANCE DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Deborah Balli, Director)

Finance Administration Division

Did You Know?

For much of history, society used something called tally sticks for accounting.



They might use tally sticks to keep track of loans, money owed to businesses or even inventory. These tallies could be a single stick or in split sticks, where the holder of the loan would have one and the payee would have the other.



New Hire

The Finance Department hired Sharon Shaw for the Assistant Accountant II opening. Sharon worked for the King Ranch Saddle Shop for 23 years in the areas of Customer service and Accounting. Sharon will be focused primarily on maintaining the City's bank reconcilements and backing up Payroll. We are very pleased to have her on board.



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Incode Training

Stacie Pena attended Incode Version X training in San Antonio April 14th-16th. The sessions she attended focused on budgeting in the new software, accounting for fixed assets, and creating and running reports in Version X.

Bond Refinance

The Finance Department along with the City Manager, Legal Department, and Planning Department has been working on the City's Bond refinancing project as proposed below.

PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Dated April 21, 2014

NEW ISSUE – BOOK – ENTRY - Only

THE BONDS WILL BE DESIGNATED AS "QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT BONDS" FOR FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

\$9,345,000*

CITY OF KINGSVILLE, TEXAS

**(A Home Rule Municipal Corporation located
in Kleberg County, Texas)**

LIMITED TAX REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2014

The relevant dates for the months of April-August (when the refinancing should be complete) are as follows. .

*Week of April 14th, 2014 Coordinate conference calls with S&P.

*Tuesday, April 15, 2014 Comments on second draft of POS due from working group.

*Wednesday, April 24, 2014- Receive the rating.

*Monday, April 28, 2014 POS goes to i-Deal web site for posting.

*Monday, April 28, 2014 Pricing of the Refunding Bonds.

*Regular Commission meeting to conduct sale of Refunding Bonds. Consider the adoption of the Ordinance

*Authorizing Issuance of Refunding Bonds.

*Wednesday, May 21, 2014 Closing Date; City delivers the Refunding Bonds to Underwriter(s) and receives funds.

*Friday, August 01, 2014 Redemption Date of Refunded Bonds.

Budget Calendar

The City Manager has sent out a draft/proposed budget preparation calendar for FY2015. Please use the draft calendar to get an idea of what is expected of your department and when items are due. Wednesday, May 21st is the meeting with department directors to discuss 2015 budget issues and processes.

Community Breakfast

Several finance staff members attended the 4th Annual Community Breakfast, The event was hosted by the College of Business Administration along with the Kleberg Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and the Kingsville Chamber of Commerce. The breakfast was held on April 17, 2014, at 7:00 a.m. in the Memorial

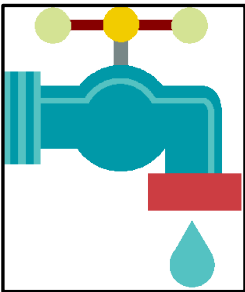
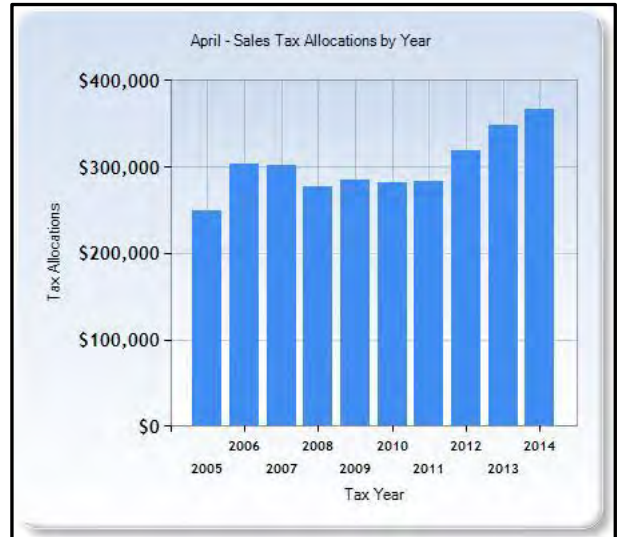
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Student Union Building. The guest speaker was Victor Ornelas, an Executive Leadership Coach. His presentation on having a positive perspective will lead to achieving one's goals was inspirational.

Monthly Sales Tax Allocations

Kingsville, City of (General Obligation Debt)

	<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>
2014	\$349,502	\$444,055	\$343,827	\$366,998
2013	\$321,476	\$424,003	\$345,577	\$348,585
2012	\$318,082	\$435,343	\$306,002	\$318,502



Utility Billing Division

Six things everyone should know about watering efficiently

1. Apply only enough water to moisten the root zone of your plants (6 to 8 inches deep), then allow the soil to dry before watering again. This means: In clay soils, water no more than one inch per week. This is enough to moisten your plants' roots. In thin Hill Country soils, apply a maximum of ½ inch of water twice a week. See recommended water schedule.

2. Water when the sun is down. No sun and less wind means that the water reaches the roots of your plants rather than evaporating before it hits the ground.

3. Use low-angle sprinklers that produce droplets of water. Sprinklers that spray water high into the air or produce a mist lose water through evaporation.

4. Use multiple start times or a "cycle and soak" feature. This allows water to be applied a little at a time, eliminating run-off, and is especially helpful for sloped areas and areas with clay soil.

5. Aim before you shoot Direct sprinklers toward your lawn and away from sidewalks and driveways.

6. Use drip irrigation for shrub beds, gardens and trees. Drip irrigation systems apply water directly to the root, where it does the most good, and reduces water loss from evaporation. Make sure you slow the flow so the water has time to soak into our region's tight clay and caliche soils —instead of running off.

Watering Do= DO use a drip irrigation or soaker hose to water shrubs and trees.

Watering Don't= DON'T operate an automated irrigation system with broken sprinkler heads; it will waste water and cost you money.

http://www.watersmart.org/docs/tips_six_things_everyone_should_know_about_watering_efficiently.pdf

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Employee Cross-Training

Recently, the Collections Manager and both Billing Specialists have been observing how service orders are processed out in the field by both Meter techs. This cross-training will be helpful in better answering any questions customers may have as far as how a check for leak is processed, how a meter test is performed, what the meter techs look at when reading the meters for billing purposes, and how repairs are done out in the field on meters. This information is being brought back and shared with other staff in order to better answer those types of questions/concerns.

All safety precautions were taken when observing the techs while they are processing the service orders.

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

Court Business during the period of April 3, 2014 through April 15, 2014

There were 170 new cases filed with the city court. Of these, there were 116 traffic violations, 48 FTA (failure to appear) and 6 Health Department violations. Aside from the new cases, there were 150 cases resolved; 86 warrant orders executed and 10 new arrest orders published in the local newspaper and the worldwide police website. There were collections of \$28,718.84 from settlements of payment plans and all other executed orders.



Pre-Trial Session on April 8, 2014

During the 9:00 o'clock session, there were three people scheduled to meet with the State and City Attorney, Mrs. Alvarez. Of these, the dispositions are as follow: two individual cases dismiss due to compliance of the law and the last individual settled out of court by accepting the state's plea bargain.

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Court Session on April 10, 2014

Inmate Court Hearing, during the 2:00 o'clock session, there were nine inmates transported to the Municipal Court Alcorn Chambers by the Kingsville Police Department. One individual receive jail time credit for the full of the fine and ordered to work 8 hours of community service at City Public Works Warehouse and provide proof of completion of an Alcohol Awareness class. Four individuals were committed to the Kleberg County Jail for the full amount owe to the court, and the other three individuals were release upon a payment plan court order and the last individual was release on a three month payment plan, 8 hours of community service to be preform at the City Public Works Warehouse. In addition, file with the court by the ninth day a certification of Alcohol Awareness completion.

During the 3:00 o'clock court session, this consisted of 126 people (202 cases); prior to the court hearing, 18 people requested another court date. There were 30 people who made their court appearance and these are the depositions of these cases: 24 cases were set on payment plans and thirty day extensions. There were 25 cases were closed upon full payment, 4 cases were dismissed due to compliance of the law and justice, 42 cases are set for continuance for further review and 3 cases are to be set for trial.

For the remaining who did not make their court appearance, 38 individual driver's licenses reported to the Omnibase (Department of Public Safety) for suspension, and 68 records of arrest and failure to appear charges for non-appearance and contempt of court. One Juvenile case is set aside for Adult prosecution.

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 M. Fonseca, Officer G. Vega, and Officer Fierova for aGREAT JOB!

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 are acceptable for payment. Also 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>

Upcoming Court Dates

April 22, 2014, May 20, 2014 & June 3, 2014

Pre-Trial Session-Conference Room

9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

May 22, 2014

Inmate at	2:00 p.m.
Regular Hearing	3:00 p.m.
Bench Trial	4:00 p.m.

June 5 & 19, 2014

Inmate at	2:00 p.m.
Regular Hearing	3:00 p.m.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Joey Reed, Fire Chief)

Public Events

Flag Retirement Ceremony – On April 4th, the fire chief attended a flag retirement ceremony at Dick Kleberg Park that was sponsored by BSA Troop #145 and the Kleberg Co. Republican Women's organization.

Children's Spring Festival – A fire department unit participated in the Children's Spring Festival held at Dick Kleberg Park on April 12th.

Training and Professional Development

New Hire Paramedic Evaluations – New paramedics are being evaluated and administered written examinations and practical skills evaluations every two weeks.

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

Radio Communications Class – The fire chief presented new radio communications procedures to the B and C shifts. The new procedures include standardized terminology and standardized procedures for dispatching and communicating over the radio. These procedures are intended to speed up responses, make communications more clear and reduce mistakes and duplicated messages.

Emergency Reporting System – Firefighter Lee presented a class on the new records keeping system to the C shift.

Planning

Emergency Reporting System – A meeting was held to discuss the setup and mandatory fill ins on the new reporting system. Fire chief Reed, firefighter Lee, and engineer Camarillo were in attendance.

Community Project Development Meetings – The fire chief and fire marshal attended these meetings. New and existing building projects were reviewed by fire, building, and planning departments.

Other Department Activities

Hydrant Maintenance – Stations worked on clearing weeds and obstructions around fire hydrants in their jurisdictions.

TML Discovery Team Follow-up meeting – The TML Discovery Team and risk manager met with fire department personnel to discuss the findings of their review of the fire department. Several good suggestions were made regarding improving safety and reducing injuries. The fire department will be working to address all of the issues identified.

Injury Reporting Procedures – The fire chief met with the risk manager to discuss and clarify injury reporting procedures.



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Committee Meetings

Officers Meeting – On April 7th, a mandatory officers meeting was held in the fire chief's office. Several issues were discussed including disciplinary policies, clarification of policies, and policy enforcement.

Equipment Status

Engine 1 – Brake light repaired. Top cross lay valve is leaking. Side emergency lights are cracked (new lenses are being ordered).

Engine 2 – Hose reel line valve handle broken off and line is inoperable (mechanic has inspected and parts being ordered).

Medic 1 - Headlight replaced

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. Irrigations system waiting for power to be connected. Clean up of yards and removal of rocks and materials needed before planting grass can be started.



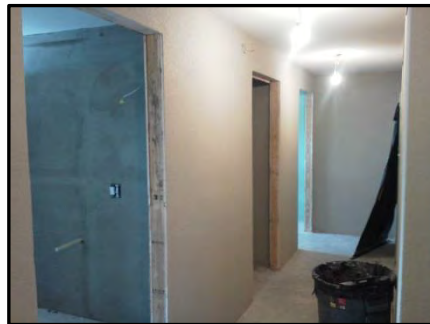
Dispatch – Waiting on contractor to install new counter tops. New speakers have been installed in both fire stations.

Fire Station 1 Restrooms, Upstairs/Downstairs – Walls are up and dry walled.

Most have been textured. Base electrical and plumbing is installed. Finishing out walls. Tile

and finish work should be underway by April 20th.

Fire Station 1 Electrical Project- Project on hold for other projects.



Fire Station 2 Interior – All walls covered and painted. Tile and finish work being installed. Waiting on front and rear door.

Fire Department Response Statistics for the period of 0800 hrs on March 14th to 0800 hrs on April 4th, 2014.

Fire/Rescue/Other Calls -	29
Emergency Medical Service Calls (EMS) -	111
Total Emergency Responses -	140

Major Events during the period

No major emergencies during the period.

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HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Diana Gonzales, Director)

Do You Know About Time Management?

Time management and stress reducing tips are always helpful. During one of the Professional Development Programs attended by City Staff several tips were relayed. Some of the more relevant are listed below:

The FAST Track to Priority Management

F = Focus on what needs to be done - - your priorities.

A = Analyze how your time is spent.

S = Schedule tasks based on priorities and your energy level.

T = Track the task with a deadline and checkpoints.

Tips for Reducing Work-Related Stress

- *Write your to-do list and separate into priorities*
- *Avoid packing your day with too many projects*
- *Evaluate and eliminate tasks that are no longer productive*
- *Prepare for the morning the evening before*
- *Visualize success*
- *Simplify as much as you can*

New Employees



Gilbert Gonzalez
Public Works



Alex Perez
Police Dept.



Sharon Shaw
Finance Dept.



Michael Chavana
Police Dept.



Kristina Contreras
Finance Dept.

Advertised Positions

Engineering – Part-Time GIS Technician

Police – Telecommunication's Operator

Sanitation – Equipment Operator II

Street – Equipment Operator I, Equipment Operator II

Wastewater – Utility Worker

Separations

Robert Trescott – Tourism Services Director

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Marco Jimenez Jr. – Utility Worker – Wastewater Division
Lawrence Rideau – Police Officer

Internal Movements/Promotions

Cynthia Martin appointed Interim Tourism Director
Nicole Mirarchi – Temporary Admin. Assistant I – Municipal Court/Finance Dept.
Sharam Santillan – Promoted from GIS Technician to Engineer's Assistant

Retirements

Pictured: Retiree Jesse Ybarra – Animal Control Officer – Health Department and Mayor Fugate
Mr. Ybarra has served the City for approximately 13 ½ years in the Health Department and was presented with a certificate and watch at the April 14, 2014 City Commission Meeting.
We all wish Mr. Ybarra well in his future endeavors.



Workshops/Seminars/Meetings:

Human Resource Director attended the 4th Annual Community Breakfast hosted by the TAMUK College of Business Administration with the Kleberg Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and the Kingsville Chamber of Commerce. The speaker was Victor Ornelas an executive leadership coach. A few things Mr. Ornelas stated an effective leader should have to succeed are a vision, a mission, values, and goals.

Employees to Gather at TAMUK Baseball Game

City Employees and their families will have an opportunity to attend a tailgate event for the April 26th TAMUK baseball games. Employees will be able to stop by the City of Kingsville tent for food and refreshments before the first game starts at 1 p.m.



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

Planning Division

Kingsville GIS Website

Robert Isassi was invited to speak to the Kingsville Realtors' Association on Friday, April 11th. At the meeting, Robert introduced and taught local realtors the workings of the KingsvilleGIS.com website. He explained how to best use the site and what tools were available.

Recycling Center and Community Appearance Building

Robert has been working with the City Engineer, Charlie Cardenas, to estimate and design a fence enclosure around the City-owned vacant lot behind the recycle center (SW corner of Alice Ave. & 5th St). The project will allow for additional storage space and other recycling opportunities while also providing

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parking space availability for employees who are resorting to parking across the street from the building due to lack of parking.

Website Upgrades

Website designer, Johnathan Swindle, met with Robert on April 9th to discuss the upcoming work on the City website. Johnathan has been working on the site and discussed with Robert the web needs of the Planning & Development Service Department. We are expecting to see a website redesign in the coming weeks but it will not be ready for public view. We are keeping things quiet while we work in the background and are ready to release it to everyone.

Tree-Lined Inventory and Design

On April 11th, Robert and Master Gardener, Anse Windham, drove the 6th St. corridor from the northern to southern city limits and inventoried the existing trees. As part of the inventory, they surveyed the open spaces and estimated the number and types of native trees that could be planted to create a tree-lined corridor along 6th St., between 6th St. and the railroad tracks. Anse and Robert agreed that wild olive, anacua, and mesquite trees would make an excellent addition to the existing hackberry and anacuas that currently line the corridor.

Leadership Kingsville

The Leadership Kingsville group is excited to be moving forward with the Disc Golf at Dick Kleberg Park project. Robert and Charlie met with group members Thursday, April, 17th, to discuss the clean-up plans scheduled for April 26th. Robert stated that he would be buying breakfast for all participants in the cleanup. The cleanup consists of trimming existing tree branches and piling them up for pick-up. Charlie will be asking Commission for support on this project. We all look forward to a successful outcome.

Economic Development Commission

Robert attended the EDC meeting on Wednesday, April 16th, to get an update on local development growth and challenges. At the meeting, Brian Connelly, with Celanese, briefed the board on a recent announcement that they are submitting a permit application for an \$800-million dollar methanol plant. They anticipate breaking ground in 2017, once permits are all approved. Also, Celanese will be breaking ground next year on an \$80-million dollar addition to the plant's compounding unit. Mr. Connelly stated that the Bishop location has become the "favored site" for the corporation.

State of Agriculture in Kleberg Co.

At the April 16th, EDC, Dave Delaney, King Ranch vice president in charge of farming and ranching, told the board that too often people forget how important agriculture is to the local economy. He said that since King Ranch has 75 to 80% of the 100,000 acres in Kleberg County dedicated to agriculture, the impact is significant. Delaney said that most of the land in cultivation is planted in grain and cotton, but the feeder cattle and wildlife industries employ a large number of people locally. He pointed out that hunting leases on King Ranch employ a large number of workers, and provide a hedge against downturns in farming and ranching. Even with the current drought, agriculture employs an estimated 450 workers in Kleberg County.

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Mr. Delaney said that King Ranch operates the feed lot but most of the cattle in the feed lot are not owned by King Ranch. Recent changes in federal regulations impacting cattle from Mexico have impacted the costs and feed lot operations. Droughts and increased feed costs across the country have decreased the number of cattle to 22-24-million, lowest in recent history.



Delaney did say that the new farm bill was critically important to the agricultural industry. With mega trends doubling the need for protein production in the world, and the cost of crop and cattle production doubling, the future of agriculture is changing.

Agriculture is a great partner for Kleberg County's two largest industries – Naval Air Station Kingsville and Texas A&M University – Kingsville.

Local Developments

Staff reported that Domus Development had closed on the 20+ acre piece of land they plan to develop into student housing. Kingsville ISD rejected the one bid they received on the Flato School Bldg. The lone bidder planned to develop the property into student housing. The city, TAMUK and Kingsville Industrial Foundation will meet next week to discuss converting the former call center into the TAMUK Eagle Ford Center for Research, Education and Outreach (EFCREO). Kleberg County Commissioners Court approved the incentive program for Lake View Villa Town Homes at their meeting earlier this week. The \$81,000 incentive from the county equals the incentive from the city, and both were critical to moving this project forward.

Development Services Division

Permits Issued between March 26th and April 16th:

PERMIT TYPE	QUANTITY
COMMERICAL BUILDING	1
RESIDENTIAL BUILDING	1
REMODELING	11
CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY	1
DEMOS	1
MOVING	1
ELECTRICAL	24
FIRE INSPECTION	27
GAS	4
MECHANICAL	15
PLUMBING	8
RE-ROOF	9
RESIDENTIAL METER	12
SIGN	1

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SPRINKLER	1
COMMERICAL METER	2
TOTAL	119

NEW BUSINESSES & NOTABLE OPENINGS

- H.M. KING HIGH SCHOOL, LOCATED AT 2210 S BRAHMA BLVD HAS RECEIVED A TEMPORARY CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY. Contractors will continue to work on weekends and after school hours to finalize the construction of the new high school.
- TITLE MAX, LOCATED AT 921 N 14TH ST. IS NOW OPEN FOR BUSINESS
- BUDDY RENTS, LOCATED AT 1701 S BRAHMA BLVD, STE D, IS NOW OPEN FOR BUSINESS
- MEXICO GRILL RESTAURANT, LOCATED AT 1105 S 14TH IS NOW OPEN FOR BUSINESS
- CHOPSTIX, LOCATED AT 1701 S BRAHMA BLVD, STE E, IS NOW OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Development Services Community Outreach Project – PDAP

The City of Kingsville's Palmer Drug Abuse Program (PDAP) Team held its first hot dog lunch fundraiser this year at the Community Appearance Building on April 10th, 2014, and was a great success. Theresa and Jessica would like to thank everyone who helped the team in supporting this program for the kids. Also, we would like to send a special thanks to Diana Medina from Collections and her staff for helping sell tickets and serving. Aileen Escamilla was our top seller for the tickets. As well as Jennifer Bernal and her staff for setting up, serving and cleaning. A big thank you goes out to Gloria Ramirez for dedicating her time in helping serve the food. The next fundraiser will be April 17, 2014, and we will be having a bake sale for donations only. Anyone who is willing to help us by making goodies for the sale would be appreciated. The PDAP walk will be held at the Kleberg County Courthouse on April 26, 2014, at 11:00am. If you would like to participate or help sponsor the event please contact Theresa or Jessica.

Community Appearance Division

Inspections Activity (March 26-April 16)

Notices Sent: 98	Abatements: 13	Obsolete Sign Violations: 5
Inspections: 78	Court Cases: 0	Placards Posted: 6
Re-Inspections: 65	Illegal Dumping Cases: 0	
Compliances: 50	Front/Side yard parking violations: 3	

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:

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430 E Alice – City Abated

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829 S 19th - Property Owner Abated

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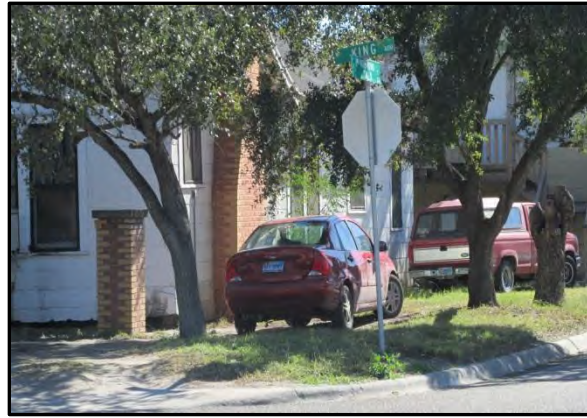
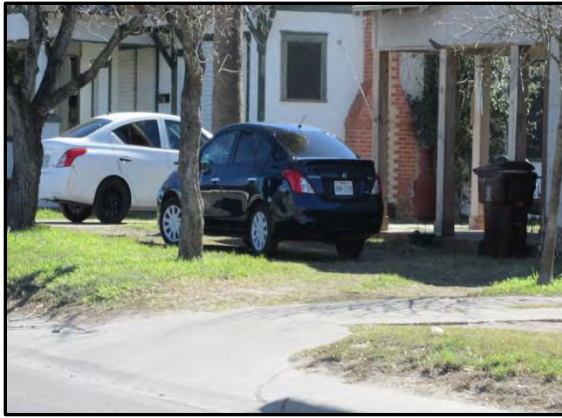
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Illegal Parking in Front and Side Yards

Code Officers have been directing their attention to front/side yard parking violations. Code has recently acquired membership with the Texas Dept. of Motor Vehicle to gather registered owner information. The process of this violation would mirror Officer Perez's efforts on junk vehicles. While proactively inspecting for other city code violations, Code Officers will add this to their list. Previously a notice of non-compliance was sent to the property owner, however after researching this violation and comparing it to other cities we were redirected to citing the registered owner of the vehicle instead of the property owner. A citation will be issued to the registered owner; the owner will then need to contact our municipal court to pay for the citation. The amount of the citation fee is being discussed with legal and municipal court departments.

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Keep Kingsville Beautiful (KKB)

KKB began a landscaping job at the Library on Wednesday April 16th. Sanitation crews cleared out an area in front of the building where a variety of plants will be planted. This is an effort to beautify our city buildings and make us an example that our community can follow.



Volunteers from TAMUKs athletic department have begun priming the canopy at Flato Park. The canopy will get a fresh coat of paint, and then we will begin repairs and replacements of playground equipment throughout the park. KKB is always looking for volunteers to help with projects throughout the community. If you would like to volunteer please contact Jennifer Bernal with the Community Appearance Division. Many more projects are scheduled and we need all the help we can gather.

Community Appearance Billing

Community Appearance Division has begun tracking the monthly totals being billed each moth due to City private property cleanups. These cleanups include mowing and abatements of noxious matter through FY '14.

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

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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>
5/1/14	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
3/26/14	315 E Santa Gert	Voluntary Demo
4/10/14	719 W Ave I	Voluntary Demo
Pending	820 E Lee	Voluntary Demo
Pending	519 N. 6 th	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.

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Top Ten Private 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 24th 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

<u>Property Address</u>	<u>Date of Compliance Deadline</u>
608 W Ave C	4/30/14
707 S 12 th	4/30/14
1023 E Kleberg	4/30/14
710 E Lott	4/30/14
718 W Henrietta	4/30/14
907 E Ave C	4/30/14
802 E Lee	4/30/14
131 N 8 th	4/30/14
900 E Ave D	4/30/14
1115 N 14 th	4/30/14

How Many Owners are Cleaning up their own Properties after they Get Noticed by the City?

As shown in the table below, the number of owner abatements on noticed properties within the “top ten” monthly clean ups is on a rising trend. 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>By property owner</u>	<u>Top Ten Phase#</u>	<u>#of Cleanups Conducted</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 PROGRESS)

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POLICE (Courtesy of Ricardo Torres, Chief) March 31 – April 14, 2014

Patrol Division

Leroy Thibodeaux arrested for Possession of Marijuana at 100 S. 1st Street.
Officers responded to a sexual assault of a disabled person. Case is still under investigation.
A female was arrested for attempting to return an item, for a refund, that she had not purchased.
Officers responded to a call in a business parking lot where an elderly male struck another male with his walker.

A non-custodial mother reported that her son had been assaulted by his custodial father. After speaking with the patrol officer, it was determined that the son had pulled a knife on his before.

Traffic

Officers issued 122 citations and 54 written warnings.
Officers responded to 22 minor collisions, 4 private property collisions and four "hit & runs".
Samuel Canty arrested for DUI-Under 21 at Santa Rosa and Santa Cecilia.
Fernanda Soto arrested for DUI-Under 21 at Corral and Armstrong.
Katie Ann DeLaGarza arrested for DWI at 6th and Yoakum.
Randy Alegria was stopped for a traffic violation at 500 S. 2nd. He was arrested for being in possession of synthetic marijuana.
A vehicle failed to stop for a traffic violation. The occupants then tossed synthetic marijuana out of the window before finally stopping. The driver and passenger were both charged with the possession, along with Tampering with Physical Evidence.

Burglaries

A burglary of a vacant house was reported in the 600 block of W. Santa Gertrudis. Burglar(s) attempted to steal the copper wiring.

A burglary of vehicle was reported in the LULAC neighborhood.

A residential burglary was reported on Candlewood. A relative of the victim is suspected.

Burglar(s) gained entry by breaking in the back door of a home in the 500 block of W. Avenue B. A 50-inch television was taken.

A home in the 700 block of W. Yoakum was broken into, with the burglar(s) entering through the back door.



Training

All patrol officers finished their required TML online classes in time.
A new list of TML online courses has been published for the next quarter.

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Patrol officers assigned to SWAT had training hours.

Criminal Investigations Bureau

We have three new Detectives in the Division as of April 6th. They all seem to be working hard and learning the new position. The New Detectives have been assigned several cases so far and have figured out some of the investigative procedures. Everyone is working as a Team to help each learn and adjust to the new arrangements.

Det. #5 has been assigned this case 14-0007592 Sexual Assault. On 03/25/14 the Patrol Division was dispatched to a house located on Birchwood in reference to a sexual Assault. Contact was made with the victim, who advised she was sexually assaulted by her fiancé's friend. The victim advised the assault occurred on 3/23/2014 at approximately 5:30am. Det#5 along with the Crime Scene Tech were called out to the scene to process evidence. The victim was then taken to the Police Department where she was questioned about the incident. Det #5 then questioned the suspect a few days later. Det. # 5 had to reexamine the victim because he had evidence proving the suspect is innocent. While talking with the victim, she advised the sexual intercourse was consensual, and she was not sexually assaulted. The victim advised she was scared and she panicked because she had never had an affair. Det. # 5 filled on the victim for false report to a Peace Officer. This case will be filed with the Kleberg County Attorney's Office.

Det. #2 was assigned Aggravated Sexual Assault case. Det. #2 worked with the Child Advocacy Center and Driscoll's Children Hospital and was able to get the child examined and interviewed the same day. After the interview Det. #2 was able to obtain a Felony warrant and the offender was arrested. Det. #2 did a great job in working hard to get this case solved and the offender arrested in a timely manner. Good Job!

Det. # 5 had one call out, and the information is posted above.

The CIB Supervisors read, assigned, and inactivated 197 cases.

During the past two weeks there were 155 cases assigned to Detectives.

During the past two weeks Det. #1 has done the following activities; filed 3 cases with District Court, filed 5 case with County Court, filed 1 case with City Court, X-Cleared, Pended out, cold cased, Unfounded 2 cases total, wrote 13 reports, conducted 9 interviews, and met the dead line for completing the Mandatory Classes on the TML website.

During the past two weeks Det. #2 has done the following activities; has been assigned to 24 cases, filed 4 cases with District Court, 16 cases with county court, filed 2 cases with city court, X-Cleared, Pended out, and cold cased 8 cases total, wrote 2 reports, conducted 5 interviews, Det. # 4 is our Accident Investigator and conducted investigations on 45 accidents, and met the dead line for completing the Mandatory Classes on the TML website.

During the past two weeks Det. #3 has done the following activities; filed 2 cases with District Court, filed 2 cases with County Court, filed 2 cases with City Court, Filed 1 case with Juvenile Court, X-Cleared, Pended out, Cold cased, and Unfounded 6 cases total, wrote 3 reports, conducted 2 interviews, took 1 statement, and met the dead line for completing the Mandatory Classes on the TML website.

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During the past two weeks Det. #4 has done the following activities; has been assigned to 16 cases, filed 6 cases with District Court, 8 cases with county court, filed 1 case with Juvenile court, X-Cleared, Pended out, and cold cased 6 cases total, wrote 16 reports, conducted 3 interviews, Det. # 4 wrote a restitution letter to retrieve property from a local pawn shop, Det. #4 conducted a CAC interview on three kids who are involved in a family disturbance incident, and met the dead line for completing the Mandatory Classes on the TML website.

During the past two weeks Det. #5 has done the following activities; has been assigned to 16 cases, filed 3 cases with District Court, filed 2 cases with County Court, filed 3 cases with city court, X-Cleared, Pended out, cold cased, Unfounded 22 cases total, wrote r reports, conducted 7 interviews, took 2 statements, and met the dead line for completing the Mandatory Classes on the TML website.

The Crime Scene Tech assisted with 3 cases, wrote 13 supplements, finger printed 4 subjects, processed 17 items of evidence, took 10 photographs, and maintained the Evidence room in an orderly fashion. The Crime Scene Tech was also called out to a Narcotics Search Warrant in the 600 block of W. Yoakum, where she assisted with collecting evidence.

The pictures below are from an incident where the CIB Corporal and Det. #1 wrote a search warrant on a residence where a male subject was shooting a 9mm pistol in a direction towards houses. During his shooting spree he managed to shoot a few rounds into a Stop Sign. The male subject was arrested for Deadly Conduct.



Total number of Cases Filed with Kleberg District Attorney is 24
Total number of Cases Filed with Kleberg County Attorney is 35

Total number of Cases Filed with City Attorney is 10
Total Number of Cases filed with Juvenile Court is 3
Total number of Cases Pended Out is 20
Total number of Cases that were Cold Cased is 28
Total number of Cases pending lab reports is 0

The CIB did not receive the Indictment list from the DA's Office.

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Total numbers of Accidents Public Street Accidents taken in by Accident Investigator is 45

Total number of DWI/DWLS/DWLI cases assigned to an investigator is 11

Communications Bureau

Employees began Texas Municipal League training next quarter with new courses to complete.

Sgt. Lobaugh attended a discovery team meeting with representatives from TML.

Dispatcher Brittany Ledesma will be leaving the department. She will be moving back to her hometown of San Antonio.

Congratulations to Mrs. LaTonya Johnson she has successfully completed her elecommunication operators training.



Vista Com came to the police station and completed upgrades on the 911 Eventide Recorders.

Received seven hundred and two 911 calls.

Received two thousand seven hundred twenty one regular calls to the station.

The Officers and Staff of the Kingsville Police Department had a luncheon on Friday, April 17, 2014 to thank the dispatchers of the department for the invaluable service they provide.

The luncheon consisted of beef fajitas, sausage, chicken, potato salad, rice, beans, tortillas and various cakes and desserts. Thank you KPD dispatchers for keeping track of our officers and insuring their safety!

Neighborhood Improvement Officer

Week 14

The following stats are from Week 14:

- Abandoned Vehicles - 1
- Junk Vehicles – 3
- Parking Citations –5
- Compliance - 7

Week 15

The following stats are from Week 15:

- Abandoned Vehicles - 1
- Junk Vehicles – 4
- Parking Citations –21

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- Compliance - 4

So far for the year of 2014, 54 vehicles have been tagged (Combination of Abandoned and Junk Autos) in the City of Kingsville. There have been a total of 46 compliances for the year. NIO has also issued a total of 139 Parking Violations (Citation and Warning Combined) for the year. These are some photos of citizens who have complied.

800 E LEE AVE



503 E AILSIE AVE



902 W AVE H



426 E FORDYCE AVE



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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Charlie Cardenas, Director)

Engineering Division (4/1 – 4/15)

Engineering/GIS

Engineering has been surveying the Escondido ditch and have been drawing the new ditch plans so that the Kleberg County can grade the ditch.

Engineering has been surveying the Alexander street reconstruction project sloping the street and more importantly, re-designing the drainage ditch on the south side of the street. Also on Alexander street, Engineering is designing driveway configurations to adjust to the new drainage and pavement.

GIS has been assisting with the City/KISD election by drawing a Voter District Map in conjunction with the City limits.

Engineering welcomes Mr. Sharam Santillan as the new Engineering Assistant. Sharam has been a part time Engineering Technician with the City of Kingsville for over a year and excels in AUTOCAD drawing and surveying.



Street Division (3/31 – 4/13)

Road Construction

Project # 34 – Alexander St.



During this period and project, crews have been setting up barricades, signs, laths for marking stations along the roadway in preparation of construction. During construction, street crews ripped up old roadway street bed asphalt, haul material and ramped up with limestone on the roadway edges. During this process, crews secured and cut around manholes, water valve boxes and meter boxes. As Engineering set limestone hubs (blue tops), Street crews leveled the roadway base (limestone) to grade. The next steps of the construction process are the grade the ditch and pour concrete driveway aprons (entrances). The project should be complete by the end of April.

Mowing/ Weed Eating

- General Cavazos
- Carlos Truan Blvd from Bypass to NAS
- North Y
- Trant Rd. to Escondido
- Ditches on East Caesar 6th from City Limit sign to General Cavazos
- General Cavazos from 6th to Bypass
- 6th from General Cavazos to Alexander
- 6th from City Limit sign to Alexander
- Creeks- 11th to 14th

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Gutters

- Helen Marie from 6th St. to Dead End
- Jayvee from 6th St. to Dead End
- Jayvee from Jamilee to Helen Marie
- Cecil from 6th St. to Dead End
- Chandler from General Cavazos to Dead End
- Billy Evans from 6th St. to Dead End
- 1st St. from Corral Ave. to Ave I
- Wells from Corral Ave to Ave G
- Ave F from 1st St to Lantana
- Wanda from Corral Ave to Ave G
- Lantana from Ave F to Ave G
- Ave G from Lantana to 1st
- Wells from Ave G to Ave I
- Wanda from Ave G to Ave H
- Ave H from Wells to Dead End
- Ave H from Armstrong to Wells
- Ave H from Armstrong to Lantana
- Lantana from Ave G to Ave I

Street Sweeping

- General Cavazos from 14th St to Hwy 77
- 14th St & 6th St from General Cavazos to Corral Ave
- Armstrong Ave from King Ave to Caesar Ave
- Corral Waveform Armstrong to Hwy 77
- Kenedy Ave from 14th St to 6th St.
- King Ave. from 6th St. to Dead End
- Chandler from Jayvee to General Cavazos Blvd.
- Jayvee from 6th St. to Van
- Billy Evans from 6th St to Dead End
- Helen Marie from Van to 6th
- Andron Lane from Trant to Dead End
- Pippen Lane & Treebeard from Andron to Dead End
- Trant Rd from 6th St. to 14th St.
- Santa Gertrudis Ave from 14th St. to Armstrong Ave
- Armstrong from Santa Gertrudis to Corral
- Corral from Armstrong to 6th
- 2nd St. from Lemonwood to Ailsie
- 3rd St. from Birchwood to Briarwood
- Briarwood & Birchwood from 3rd to 5th
- 4th St. from Candlewood to Birchwood

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- 5th St. from Briarwood to Lemonwood
- Carlos Truan from 14th to Ailsie
- Ailsie from Franklin Adams to 5th St.
- Armstrong Ave from Corral Ave to Caesar Ave
- Caesar Ave from 14th St. to 17th St
- General Cavazos from 14th St, to Hwy 77
- 6th St. from General Cavazos Blvd. to 14th St
- Caesar Ave. from 6th St.to 14th St.
- King Ave. from Hwy 77 to Hwy 141
- 14th St from Corral Ave to General Cavazos Blvd
- General Cavazos Blvd from Hwy 77 to 14th St
- Armstrong Ave from Corral Ave to Caesar Ave
- Santa Gertrudis from Armstrong to 14th St
- Ella from 12th St. to 11th St
- Ave B from 14th St. to 10th St.
- Ave A from 14th St. to 12th St.
- 3rd St. from Ave D to Richard Ave
- Santa Gertrudis Ave from Armstrong to 6th St
- Santa Gertrudis from Hwy 141 to University Blvd
- University Blvd from Santa Gertrudis to King Ave
- Henrietta from Armstrong to University Blvd
- Santa Monica & Santa Cecilia from Santa Rosa to Santa Elena
- General Cavazos from 14th to Hwy 77
- 4th St. from General Cavazos to Corral Ave
- 3rd from Henrietta to King
- King from 77 to 141
- Carlos Truan from 14th St, to Ailsie Ave.
- Caesar Ave from 6th St to 14th St
- Ave I from Lantana to Corral Ave

Patching - Crews patched and filled in potholes

Cold Patch

- Lott from 14th St to 15th St.
- Fordyce Ave from 14th St. to 15th St.
- Kenedy Ave between 1st St. & Armstrong
- 15th St. & 16th St.
- 15th St. between King Ave. & Kenedy Ave
- 15th Sat. near Beto's Store
- 17th St. & 19th St. Ragland & 12th
- Johnston in front of Lamar

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- Warren & 12th
- Caesar from 12th to Huisache
- 10th from Santa Gertrudis to Nettie
- Williams & Kenedy
- 14th & Johnston
- 15th & Johnston
- 1835 Elizabeth
- Huisache Ave. from King Ave. to 13th St.
- 6th & 10th on Nettie

Hot Mix

- Wilson from Santa Gertrudis Ave to Ave A
- Ailsie & 7th St
- Ave H & Lantana
- Santa Monica
- Santa Gertrudis Intersection
- Santa Fe & Santa Rosa
- 14th St. & Fordyce Ave
- Lott Ave & 13th St.
- Ave H Corral Ave
- Ave A
- Trant Rd.
- 9th St. & 10th St.
- Santa Cecilia Armstrong & Yoakum
- 14th St & 11th St

Work Order

- Between 9th St. & 10th St.
- Trant Rd
- 17th thru 19th
- 5th St. near Beto's Store
- 1018 E Lott Ave.
- 404 W Ave A
- Armstrong thru end of W Kenedy Ave.
- 1106 E Fordyce Ave
- 300 E Corral Ave
- Wanda between King & Kenedy
- 502 S Wanda
- Entrance to Las Palmas Subdivision
- Ave H

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- S 19th St. between King Ave. & Kenedy Ave.
- E Fordyce Ave

Miscellaneous Sign Shop

- Put up street signs on 5th, 15th, 16th & 17th on Kleberg, 6th & 7th on Ailsie, Kleberg Ave, Santa Rosa and Santa Fe.
- Put up Mourning signs on 1st & Yoakum
- Put up Children Crossing sign on Caesar & 14th and on Johnston & William
- Picked up 2 portable Stop signs on King & Armstrong
- Picked up barricades at NAS
- Crack sealed on Ailsie Ave.
- Put batteries in School lights at Kleberg School, on 17th and Ave B
- Cut tree on Hall and Fairview
- Put stakes for locates on Circle Dr. & Lawndale and on Circle Dr. & Miller Ave.
- Set Mourning signs at 1216 E Johnston
- Watered trees on 6th, Santa Gertrudis, Ailsie Ave. and General Cavazos Blvd.
- Helped with Hot Mix on Yoakum Ave & Armstrong Ave.

Water Production Division (3/31 – 4/13)

Emergency Generator at Well 21

Emergency generator at Well 21 responded to a power outage on April 5, 2014 at 0530 hrs. All water storage tanks have been inspected and cleaned as required by TCEQ. All Water Wells are in good working condition. Hector Polanco will finish washing all portable ammonia/chlorine buildings by Tuesday, April 15, 2014. Water Production supervisor and operators will be attending the Texas Water Utilities Association meeting in Corpus Christi on April 16, 2014.

Routine job: Collected 12 routine Bacteriological Samples; collected 14 daily chlorine residual, delivered Ammonia to 6 sites; delivered Chlorine to 6 sites.



Water pumped to distribution (3/31–4/13) - Wells – 44,072,000 gallons; Surface –4,002,000 gallons; 0 gallons for Ricardo bypass; Total 48,074,000 gallons; Average –3,433,857.14 gals/day
Water production crews cleaned existing chlorine and ammonia storage houses on well #19.

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Wastewater Collection and Treatment Plant Division (3/31 – 4/13)

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. Kruger Contracting has begun demolition of the UV system filter at the 3MGD.

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. Contractor Mendez finished replacing decants air lift. JMF pulled out gate valve for replacement.

Wastewater Collection

Had 5 call outs for sewer backups

405 E. Huisache Ave.

416 E. Huisache Ave.

325 E. Doddridge

828 S. 19th St.

303 S. Pasadena

3 – Line locates; 1- installed clean out; 3–repaired clean out; -installed new main; 2 - sewer line repair; 1- sewer main repair 1- sewer tap installation 1 – bad odor. Back filled hole at 1522 E. Johnston. Replaced clean out cap at 729 E. Kenedy Ave. and vacuumed sludge from re-aer and digester at 1MGD. Vacuumed ditch at Escondido and Franklin Adams. Crews hauled dirt from Landfill to 1MGD. Crews also filled in cave in at 619 W. Ave H.



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Water Distribution Division (3/31 – 4/13)

Water Division Crews repaired 7 Main Breaks and answered approximately 41- Service Calls, 8 - Locates, 7 - Service line leaks, 1- Meter Leaks, 15- Backfills, 3 – Customer Side Leaks; 0– No Water Calls; 3– Turn off Water, 3-Turn on and 1 – Low Pressure Calls

2"	Main Break	809 W. Henrietta Ave.
2"	Main Break	809 W. King Ave.
6"	Main Break	5 th St. and Santa Gertrudis Ave
2"	Main Break	119 S. 10 th St.
6"	Main Break	14 th St and Corral Ave.
6"	Main Break	725 W. Warren Ave.
6"	Main Break	2 nd St and Martin Luther King.

Water crews started breaking out the concrete foundation on General Cavazos Blvd, behind Texas Star. Crews hauled 72" of drainage pipe to the Warehouse. Water crew's hydro excavated the 6" water line at W. Escondido.

Water distribution crews also assisted with the demolition of several structures throughout the city.



City Garage Division (3/31 – 4/13)

Maintenance

25 Oil changes on preventive maintenance; 44 scheduled work orders; 55 nonscheduled work; 8 Service calls; 1 Call out; 6 New tires on heavy equipment and trucks; 22 flat tire repairs and balances; 18 pending work orders. Replaced rear cylinder on Unit 336 and ordered idler pulley for Unit 545.

Welder

4 received work order and 6 pending work orders

Welded cap on ground water pipe at the Landfill and welded on a trash truck. The brackets on the patching truck were fixed for the Street Dept.

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Solid Waste Division (3/31 – 4/13)

Landfill - (3/31 – 4/13)

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. Crews weed-eated around the Well and mowed around the scale house. The Street Dept. has been hauling asphalt. We made arrangements with Tex-American to pick up their tire trailer. The Landfill employees have been shredding tires. The Air Emissions for calculations was sent to Naismith for completion and Quarterly Methane Monitoring was performed by Naismith. The Landfill got all zeroes. Landfill purchased 2 batteries for the dump truck, Unit 1327 and the City Garage fixed the tires. Anderson Machinery was at the Landfill to perform preventative maintenance on the Bomag Compactor. Wastewater hauled 2 loads of good dirt from Landfill to Small Plant.

Trash –742 tons; Brush –100 tons; Construction and Demolition (C & D) –280 tons; Concrete –.29.5 tons; Litter -.2; Sludge – tons; Metals - .2 tons; Recycled Tires –18.17 tons; Quartered tires – 3.5; and Tires – 1.4 tons.

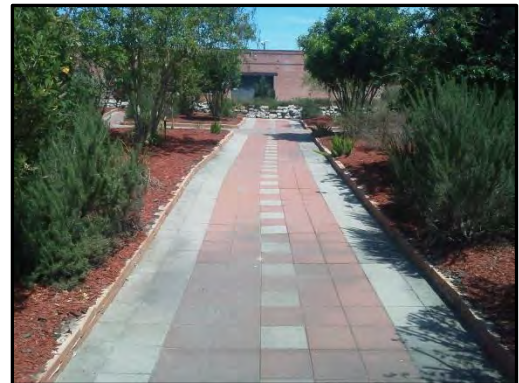
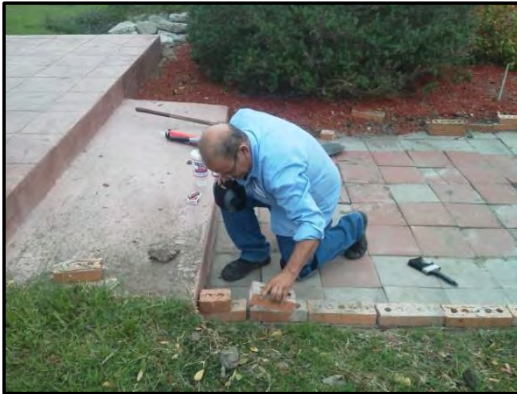
Sanitation

Residential waste collected from 3/31 – 4/13 – **741,198** pounds; Commercial waste collected **788,096** pounds; Brush collected **13,420** pounds and construction debris collected **98,580** pounds. The brush crew will be collecting in Zone 2 this week and working on abatements and demos when possible. White goods collection will be Thursday April 17, 2014 due to City offices being closed for Good Friday. Sanitation has been helping Community Appearance finish small abatements as needed and demos when possible. Two Demolitions were complete on March 31, 2014, one at 315 E. Santa Gertrudis Ave and one at 324 E. Henrietta. Another small structure at 719 E. Ave I was demolished the following week. We abated a property at 1421 E. Kleberg and it was completed on the same day. 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. Sanitation employees have also been helping beautify the downtown parks and gardens by painting, reworking bricks and gardening. Recycling for the month of March totaled 24.9 tons from the Recycling Center taken to Corpus Christi.

Danny Rios and Rey Loera worked on the bricks several weeks ago at Downtown park. They also helped with the landscaping. Luke Stevens helped as well.



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



Purchase Orders

The last two weeks Purchasing issued 130 Purchase Order valued at \$835,571.23. P-Card reviews have been concluded. 99 P-Cards statements came in with a total of \$52,297.06. Errors this month included wrong coding, late, tax charges, missing receipts and over the limit fees. If you are unsure if you are almost at your limit feel free to contact Purchasing and we can assist you with that information.

While it seems that the coding errors are getting better it seems that the tax issue is on an increase. Everyone is strongly encouraged to check and double check their receipts before leaving an establishment to make sure no taxes were charged. If taxes were charged the establishments are really good about re-doing the transaction so no taxes are charged and/or giving you a credit. If the P-Card holder fails to ask for the credit they will be responsible for paying those taxes out of pocket.

Another misconception about P-Cards is that meals purchased will be for the total of the days per diem. If the total for the area is \$71 for example, it does not mean you can use the \$71 for a single meal, unless you received a cash advance in which you can use it as you desire. If you didn't request a cash advance check then the standard method will apply. Employees' doing same day travel training are authorized to use the P-Card for their meals according to the GSA.gov table and all original receipts and itemized receipt must accompany the monthly P-Card statement.

Commission Approves Acquisition of Oil Distributor and Related Lease Agreement

On another note City Commission gave their final approval for the acquisition of the Oil Distributor and corresponding lease agreement. All corresponding documents have been finalized and sent to the leasing company for signatures. We would like to give a big **Thanks** to Melissa Perez for her assistance in insurance documentation it was greatly appreciated.

Training

Purchasing/ IT—Purchasing/IT Administrative Assistant, Thelma Trevino, and IT Administrator, Tony Verdin, have just returned from the Tyler Technologies 2014 Tyler Connect Training in San Antonio. Tyler

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Technologies training was very informative. It also gave us a better understanding of what all Incode X is capable of and of how under-utilized we have it. Our hope is to learn more of it and pass on that information to everyone here at the City of Kingsville. We met people from all over the United States with 2900 people attendance and 450 Tyler Technologies employees on hand to help and answer any questions you might have. It was also nice to help those that were, either in Incode 8 or Incode 9, by answering their questions on Incode X.

This training provided valuable information along with the ability to ask questions and get feedback. It also provided networking opportunities and allowed us to publicly voice our questions and concerns over the software. Everyone that went found the meeting very informative and are willing to look at new ways to utilize the software. I myself was very impressed by the reporting capabilities and the software in general.

Technology Division

Mobility/Tablets

We have moved forward with mobility tablets for the Community Appearance Division. These tablets will take advantage of the inexpensive mobile internet provided by Verizon. These tablets along with the web based interface provided by GovQA will allow the inspectors to work more effectively out in the field.

GovQA

We have begun to implement the final design phases of the GovQA system. We have brought the Public Works Division online with this system. We are working through some issues with payments but we hope to have this resolved by the next staff report. In addition, we are organizing with the website design team to give everyone the best possible product at launch date.

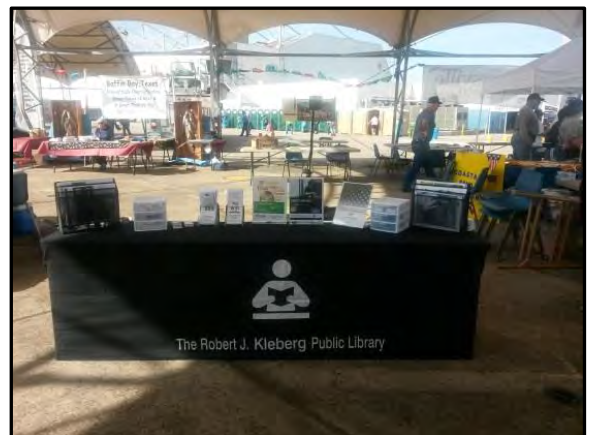
New City Hall

Currently we are working with various vendors to coordinate our technology efforts and provide the best possible situation for all involved.

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

Library Attends Air Show

The Robert J. Kleberg Public Library participated in the 2014 Wings over South Texas Air Show. Over 150,000 residents, visitors, and airplane enthusiasts from across the United States visited Naval Air Station Kingsville on March 29-30, 2014. As part of the air show events, the library, along with other local organizations, collaborated with the City of Kingsville's Tourism Department to highlight some of the region's attractions. The air show provided an excellent opportunity to promote both services and unique points of interest to attendees who wanted to learn more about the area. Local residents who visited the library's information table were able to learn more about the electronic services available to them. These services include Discovery Texas-TexShare Databases, Mango® Languages, LearningExpress Library 3.0, and Overdrive digital books and



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materials. Also available at the library's table was information to assist military personnel who are transitioning back to civilian life. To encourage non-residents to explore Kingsville, the library provided these visitors with coordinates and hints to seek out the library's "Jet Noise" geocache, a GPS-based scavenger hunt. The library filled the geocache with Air Show-specific items. Throughout the weekend, the library posted various updates on the library's Facebook account to help keep the public informed of the various Air Show happenings and library giveaways. Those Facebook postings had 821 views. In addition, the library provided free Wi-Fi access at the event. Nearly 700 attendees connected to the mobile hotspot. The library's involvement in this event was extremely successful and was a good experience for the library.

PirateBox Project

With the recent increase in patrons accessing the Wi-Fi network, the library is re-launching PirateBox as a part of its electronic services. The library reactivated the current pilot PirateBox at the beginning of April 2014. PirateBox is a freestanding, file-sharing 24/7 network where patrons become the curators of what everyone sees and shares. PirateBox is not connected to the Internet and does not require a password. The device does not track, identify, or store the user's information. This network consists of only a router and an information-storing device. Users within range of the device can join PirateBox's open wireless network from any Wi-Fi-enabled device. All users have to do is connect to it, launch their web browser, and start uploading or downloading files. PirateBox users can post messages and chat anonymously with other users. The library wants the PirateBox to serve as an educational and informational depot where patrons can store or retrieve personal stories, poems, documents, and other digital content. With this equipment, the library hopes to make the PirateBox a digital hub where patrons can share



and express their creative ideas. Because the device is portable, the library is also making PirateBox available on the bookmobile during its outreach trips to Kenedy County. The library wants to give Kenedy County patrons the opportunity to share their materials, thoughts, and ideas with other locals. For more information, call the Information & Technology Librarian at 361-592-6381.

RISK MANAGEMENT (Courtesy of Melissa Perez, Risk Manager)

Risk Manager Melissa Perez-Trains five new employees at City of Kingsville

Risk Manager Melissa Perez trained five new employees who will be starting to work for The City of Kingsville-Gilbert Gonzalez Wastewater –Kristina Contreras Municipal Court-Michael Chava Police Department-Alex Perez Police Department and Sharon Shaw Finance Department. All five employees were given a copy of the City of Kingsville's Health and Safety Handbook while it was reviewed to everyone. Employees were also trained on the City's Workers Compensation Policy, Procedures and Reporting requirements and Ombudsman Program. To end the training orientation everyone was given a City of Kingsville baseball cap. Good Luck Everyone!!



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TML Discovery Team leaves recommendations for City Staff



TML Discovery Team representatives Loss Prevention Specialist Art Alvarez and Senior Loss Prevention Specialist Irvin P. Janek visited with several City of Kingsville staff on April 8th and 9th to include initial meetings with Senior level Staff, Directors, Fire Dept, Police Dept and Public

Works. The goal for TML Discovery Program is to look for ways to improve Workers Compensation Injuries and losses by increasing specialized training and new programs. It will be a long process to see definite results but, all department staff is on board to work hard and see it through. Thank you TML Staff for all your help with the Program.

City of Kingsville Game Night – Employee Appreciation Event Plans Underway

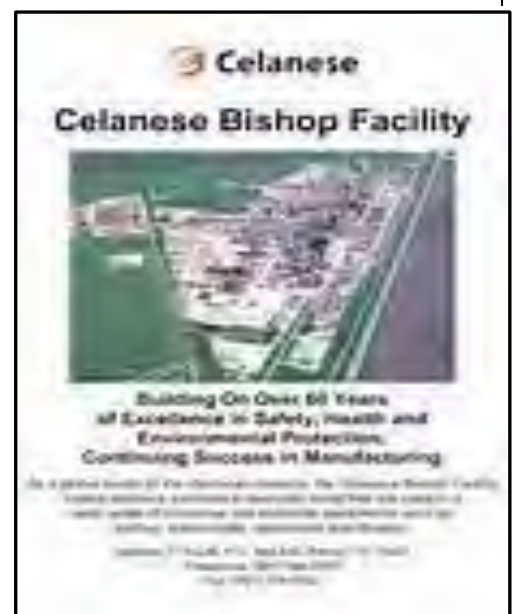


risk Manager Melissa Perez and Human Resource Director Diana Gonzalez are preparing for another upcoming Employee Appreciation Event for employees and their family (Game Night-Tail gate 2014) on Saturday April 26 2014 at Javelina Stadium. City employees will be offered tickets for a double header baseball game against San Angelo State. City employees will also be volunteering and will also be barbecuing beef fajitas for tacos and Sausage wraps. Soda Pop will also be served. Food will be served between the hours of 11:30am and 1:00pm. So come and get it while it's hot!!

Risk Manager with several Supervisory Staff & Directors attend Community Breakfast at TAMUK



City of



Kingsville - Directors and Supervisors "Professional Development Program" gathered for TAMUK'S 2nd Annual Community Breakfast, the College of Business Administration collaborated with the Kleberg Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and the Kingsville Chamber of Commerce to provide an educational opportunity

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"Energy Leadership: How to Unlock Your Full Potential" presentation by Victor F. Ornelas, Executive Coach and CEO, Ornelas and Associates, Inc. to the residents of Kingsville and the surrounding communities. Many thanks and gratitude were given to IBC Bank for their generosity in sponsoring the event.

Risk Manager attends Celanese Keep Safe Week 2014

Risk Manager along with Several City of Kingsville Staff will be attending Celanese Bishop Plant "Keep Safe Week 2014" Celanese will sponsor and host various activities themed around **"Work Safe. Play Safe. Live Safe. Keep Safe."** They will be culminating a full day of activities on Thursday, April 17, 2014. The goal of the week is to raise site employee and resident contractor energy and awareness, around safety, industrial hygiene, process safety, emergency services, security and environmental protection.

Risk Manager assists "Ride on the Wild Side" Event for April 26th



Risk Manager Melissa Perez, Tourism Interim Cynthia Martin and Public Works Asst. Director Bill Donnell have been working hard preparing signs and Safety equipment for Kingsville Lion's Club (Ride on the Wild Side) coming Saturday April 26th. 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.



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

Request for K-9 Search within the Celanese Bishop Facility

On Tuesday April 1, 2014 Mr. Bill Chidester, Celanese Bishop Facility Security Leader, requested the assistance of the Kingsville Task Force. Mr. Chidester needed a K-9 search of a certain section within the Celanese Plant. On Wednesday April 2nd, Agent Ruben Villalobos and his K-9 Partner "Nitro" traveled to the Celanese Plant and conducted a K-9 search of the Oxea-Identified areas within the plant. No contraband was located during the search.

Two Kingsville Task Force Investigations Result in Money Seizures

On Tuesday April 8, 2014 Special Agent Mike Tamez spotted a suspicious vehicle travelling South on Highway 77 through Kingsville. Before Agent Tamez could develop probable cause for a traffic stop, the vehicle pulled into the Stripes Convenience Store at Highway 77 and 285. When Agent Tamez circled around to check on the vehicle, it had left the store and had disappeared into southbound traffic. Agent

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Tamez notified an ICE Task Force Agent in Pharr Texas who was able to located the vehicle and develop the probable cause to stop it. As a result of that stop \$490,186.00 was found inside an old hot water heater in the bed of the truck. Since the Kingsville Task Force was the instigating agency in the case we will be able to DAG into the money seizure.

On Wednesday April 9, 2014 Special Agent Ruben Villalobos conducted a traffic stop on a 2011 Chevrolet passenger vehicle travelling southbound on Highway 77 at CR 2160. The driver, a 52 year old male from the valley, was acting very nervous and Agent Villalobos noticed inconsistencies in his story concerning his travels. Agent Villalobos was given consent to search the vehicle and upon doing so found anomalies in the rocker panels and an aftermarket panel attached to the fire wall. When He tapped into the false compartment with a drill, shrouds of currency was found on the drill bit. The access panel was found when the driver's front quarter panel was removed. A total of 32 bundles were found concealed in the false compartment. A total of \$375,440 was located and confiscated. The driver was arrested for money laundering and Unlawful Use of a Criminal Instrument. The vehicle was also seized and stored at the Task Force Impound Lot.



Task Force Agents Recover Stolen Vehicle

On Tuesday April 15, 2014 Kingsville Task Force Agent Jeremy Loftin spotted an unoccupied 2004 Ford Mini-Van at the Quality Inn at 221 South Hwy. 77 Bypass in Kingsville. A check revealed that the vehicle was stolen out of Corpus Christi, Texas. Undercover Task Force Agents set up surveillance on the vehicle and observed a 27 year old male get into the vehicle and attempt to leave the hotel. Agent Loftin was able to stop the vehicle as it travelled West on King Street and arrested the driver for Vehicle Theft. A local wrecker service stored the stolen vehicle until it was released to the proper owner on April 17, 2014.

Task Force Agents Receive "Cookies for Cops" from TAMUK's Criminology Club

On Wednesday April 16, 2014 the Criminology Club at Texas A&M Kingsville delivered to the Kingsville Task Force "cookies for cops" to show their appreciation and to give thanks for all of the hard work law enforcement officers do for our community. In addition the Task Force sent Agent Richard Kirkpatrick to

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be a guest speaker for the club on April 15th. Agent Kirkpatrick and his K-9 partner “Apollo” gave an informative presentation to the entire Club.



Kingsville Task Force Show Appreciation for National Telecommunication's Week

On Tuesday April 15, 2014 Kingsville Task Force Commander Willie Vera and Administrative Assistant II Kathy Rios paid a visit to the Communications Division at the Kingsville Police Department to deliver gifts of appreciation courtesy of the Task Force. The dedication and personal sacrifice the telecommunication operators make every day in order to ensure not only the public's safety, but also the many men and women of law enforcement, is a debt that can never be repaid. Most often than not, a dispatcher is unable to break away to pick up lunch or dinner and will have to eat a cold meal while still on duty. The Kingsville Task Force presented each individual with a mini lunch pack, a reusable container with attached fork and numerous snacks. This is a small token of our appreciation for all the hard work and long hours they work. We, members of the Task Force, are honored to have such dedicated individuals charged with being first responders. MANY THANKS!



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Kingsville Task Force Agents Attend TML Training at TAMUK

On Wednesday April 16, 2014 Kingsville Task Force Command Staff and Agents attended TML sponsored training at Texas A&M University Kingsville. The training "High-Risk Issues in Law Enforcement" provided a better understanding of the liability exposures connected to use of force incidents. Law enforcement officers from the surrounding areas also attended the 8 hour training course.

TOURISM SERVICES DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Cynthia Martin, Interim Director)

Air Show Debriefing



Partners who participated in the regional visitors' information pavilion at the Air Show met at the Visitor Center for a debriefing session. Shown are Tom Langschied, Nature Tour Coordinator for King Ranch; Susan Ivy, Kleberg County Parks; Amanda Barrera, Coastal Bend College and Judy Gonzalez, Tourism. The meeting was quite productive as ideas flowed not only for the next air show but for more immediate shared promotions. Ms. Ivy and Mr. Langschied plan to work together to promote wildlife activities and birding from Bishop to Baffin Bay. Ms. Barrera would like to raise the profile of Coastal Bend College in the community through community service opportunities for students with the idea that this

would help grow their enrollment and donation base.

Tourism Brochures at the Library and Beyond



Tourism now has visitor brochures at the Robert J. Kleberg Public Library. It seems the Library has gotten several requests for information and was delighted to have a ready answer at hand. We paid a visit to each hotel in Kingsville along with the Student Services Office at TAMUK, who has a rack dedicated to our brochures, the Conner Museum and the King Ranch Visitor Center and Museum filling up their racks with the full range of our brochures. Each of the ten state visitor centers and one regional center were contacted to inquire if they were low on our brochures and how many they would like. All asked for from between 200 – 500 of our Visitors Guide to Kingsville and an equal amount of King Ranch brochures. The South Padre Island CVB had been out of brochures for nearly two months. As a fair share of our visitors here are either going to and coming from South Padre Island we have an opportunity to capture some of that business.

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Texas Theater

Work continues on the Theater. The outside is being power washed. The demo is almost done and the framing of the interior walls has begun.



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Downtown Improvements

The owner of the building at 222 E Kleberg has removed their unsafe canopy and is preparing for more façade work. The plan is for this building to go on the market once exterior renovation has occurred.



Meanwhile several smaller improvements have been made to downtown building exteriors such as replacing broken windows, repairing holes in entryway ceilings, doing minor electrical repairs and uncluttering the backs of the building by removing obsolete conduit and pipes.

Clydesman Fitness is set to open on May 1st at 301 E Kleberg in the historic Fuentes Building. Mike Chapa, owner is excited to be downtown. The gym will cater to folks who want a serious workout. Mike plans to have an open house before they formally open just watch the newspaper or look for a banner outside as you drive by.

Outreach to Alice



Cynthia Martin spoke to the Alice Rotary Club at their weekly luncheon meeting at the Alice Country Club on the topic of historic preservation. As several of their members have an interest in preserving local landmarks Cynthia shared what we, in Kingsville, are doing in this regard. She also spoke to them on preservation law and how incentives such as ad valorem tax relief and façade grants are handled on the local level. There were about twenty members of the Alice Rotary in attendance.

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Window Workshop in May for Preservation Month

**May Preservation Month
Window Workshop
May 15, 2014 @ 6-8 pm**



Live in Kingsville's Historic District? Wondering which windows to choose for your remodel project? Or what siding to use?

Learn what options are available for historically appropriate replacements.

Local retailers will be on hand to show their products and answer your questions.

**Door prizes
Free refreshments**

**Casa Ricardo's Community Room
200 W. Yoakum Avenue**

Contractors welcome

**Brought to you by the Historical Development Board
City of Kingsville**

Questions? Call the (361) 219-9325

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Upcoming Events

A Ride On the Wild Side

11th Annual Bicycle Ride beginning on Historic King Ranch
Saturday, April 26th 7 am – 8 am Registration
Kingsville Publishing Company, 1831 W Santa Gertrudis

PDAP Drug Free Walk

Saturday, April 26th 11 am
The walk will start at the Courthouse and end at the KISD office at 3rd & Lee

Wild Horse Desert Roundup

Friday April 25th at 5 pm through midnight Saturday, April 26th
Bishop City Park

Viva El Mariachi Extravaganza

Saturday, April 26th
Competition starts at 9 am
Concert at 5:30 pm at Jones Auditorium

TAMUK Baseball Double Header

Saturday, April 26th 1 pm and 4 pm
Texas A & M Kingsville vs. Angelo State

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

Regular Commission Meetings (Robert H. Alcorn Commission Chambers)

Monday, April 28, 2014	600 p.m.
Monday, May 12, 2014	6:00 p.m.
Monday, May 26, 2014	6:00 p.m.
Monday, June 9, 2014	6:00 p.m.
Monday, June 23, 2014	6:00 p.m.

Municipal Court Dates (Commission Chambers)

Thursday, May 22, 2014	3:00 p.m.
Thursday, June 5, 2014	3:00 p.m.
Thursday, June 19, 2014	3:00 p.m.

Board Meetings (Commission Chambers)

Planning and Zoning Board	Wednesday, May 21, 2014	7:00 p.m.
Historic Development Board	Wednesday, May 21, 2014	4:00 p.m.
Zoning Board of Adjustments	Thursday, May 1, 2014	6:00 p.m.
(@ Community Appearance Building – 202 W. Lee)		
Civil Service Commission	TBA	11:00 a.m.

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Board Meetings (Respective Location)

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

Special Events

Mayor's "State of the City" Address @ The Douglas Center	Wednesday, April 30, 2014	11:30 a.m.
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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

Main Early Voting Polling Place

Date and Hours

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 rd 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.
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 th Street	April 30, 2014	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Gillett Intermediate School 1007 N. 17 th 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.

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Reminders

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

Board Name	Vacancies	Recommendations
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