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"If you see a bandwagon, it's too late." James Goldsmith, www.businesspundit.com

"You never become a howling success by just howling." Bob Harrington, www.businesspundit.com

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

## Good Job Award!!!

Game Night --- Employee Appreciation Tailgate 2013 --- Way to go City of

Kingsville
Employees!!!!! The
weather could not
have been better for
this event. The
City of Kingsville
Employee
Recognition and
Safety Committee
with Risk

Recognition and Safety Committee with Risk Management and Human Resources coordinated this event.



### Special Thanks To.....

Cooks

Emilio Garcia, Health Director Jason Torres, Health Dept. Joey Garcia, Library

Servers and Food Preparers

Melissa Perez, Risk Manager Diana Gonzales, HR Director Theresa Cavazos, Planning Beth Greenwell, HR Dept. Mary Valenzuela, City Secretary

<u>Canopy</u> – Fire Department

BBQ Pit – Task Force

<u>Tables</u>, ice chests and hauling of BBQ pit – Public Works Picnic tables, tent and prime location – TAMUK

Emotional Support © – Vince Capell, City Manager





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## Let's Remember & Recognize Our Award Winners!!!

## 2012 Safety & Recognition Awards

Jennifer Bernal – Employee of the Year

Task Force Department – Injury Free Award

Avelino "Java" Valadez - Safety Hero Award

### 2013 Good Job Awards

City Employees	Various	11/12/13	1 <sup>st</sup> Annual Game Night and Tailgate
Felix Camarillo	Fire	10/28/13	Distinguished and selfless service
Aileen Escamilla	Public Works- Collections	10/14/13	Customer service with a smile
Police 5K Run Team	Police	9/23/13	Honoring the fallen
Manuel Buentello	Planning – Bldg. Regs	9/09/13	Good work in difficult conditions
Mike Tamez	Task Force	8/26/13	Impressing others statewide
Jeremy Loftin	Task Force	8/26/13	Impressing others statewide
Ruben Villalobos	Task Force	8/26/13	Impressing others statewide
Richard Kirkpatrick	Task Force	8/26/13	Impressing others statewide
Valerie Valero	Publice Works – Engineering	g 8/12/13	Leadership & initiative
Chris Sanchez	Public Works - Sanitation	7/22/13	Exceptional performance
Teresa Orr	City/County Health Dept.	7/08/13	Going the extra mile/compassion
Carol Rogers	Public Works & Risk Mngt.	6/24/13	Commitment to work & coworkers
Myrna Barrera	R.J. Kleberg Public Library	6/10/13	Helpful and welcoming to all
Theresa Cavazos	Planning	5/28/13	Fundraiser for PDAP
Norma Cavazos	Finance / Accounting	5/13/13	Payroll processing excellence
Luke Stevens	<b>Public Works Sanitation</b>	4/22/13	Assistance to other departments
Capt. Roel Carrion	Fire Department	4/08/13	Selfless service as Interim Chief
Jessica Storck	Planning & Development	3/25/13	Customer service excellence
City Employees	City of Kingsville	3/11/13	Assist. Com Ken Starrs' fundraiser
Chuck Jennings	Tourism	2/25/13	Working effectively with Sheriff
Cpl. Jorge Flores	Police Department	2/11/13	Prompt/caring customer response
Ptlm. Javier Aleman	Police Department	2/11/13	Prompt/caring customer response
Ptlm. Henry A. Cantu	Police Department	2/11/13	Prompt/caring customer response
Ptlm. Allen Brown	Police Department	2/11/13	Prompt/caring customer response
Cindi Flores-Falcon	Communuity Appearance	1/28/13	Resolving a neighborhood problem

## CITY MANAGER (Courtesy of Vince Capell, City Manager)

A special thanks to our employees to worked so hard to have a successful first annual Employee Game Night and Tailgate celebration on November 2<sup>nd</sup> at Javelina Stadium.

A special thanks to our waste water crews for fixing the sewer blockage at City Hall. They did what few others can do. They did a great job, which allowed us to reopen City Hall's first floor restrooms.

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

### Food Service Inspections (October 18, 2013-November 1, 2013)

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.

*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.

K-2 Food Mart/W. Corral-79	El Dorado-100	Whatabuger-100
El Pastel Bakery-100	Taqueria Martinez-92	Kingsville Nursing/Rehab-96
TAMUK/Dining Hall-93	Taqueria El Chato-100	Snappy Foods #12-78
TAMUK/Starbucks-100	Sirloin Stockade-88	Subway/Riviera-97
TAMUK/Subway-100	El Pastel Bakery-100	Kings Inn-92
TAMUK/Catering-96	CB's Bar B Que-97	Brown's Conv. Store-96
TAMUK/Chic-Fil-A-100	Kleberg County Nursing/Rehab-97	
Javelina Bookstore-97	Dixie Cream Donuts-97	

## Regular Food Handler & Fundraiser Food Handler Classes

Food Handler Class	1 Student	Regular Food Handler Class	
Food Handler Class	12 Students	Fundraiser Food Handler Class	
Food Handler Class	13 Students	Fundraiser Food Handler Class	
Food Handler Class	8 Students	Fundraiser Food Handler Class	
Food Handler Class	12 Students	Regular Food Handler Class	
Food Handler Class	8 Students	Fundraiser Food Handler Class	
Food Handler Class	11 Students	Fundraiser Food Handler Class	
Food Handler Class	5 Students	Fundraiser Food Handler Class	

## **Permitted Temporary or Permanent Food Events Mobile Unit**

Belinda Munoz	Temporary Food Event Fundraiser-Brisket Plate Sale
Monica Pena	Temporary Food Event Fundraiser-Chicken & Sausage Plate Sale
Templo Bethel Church	Temporary Food Event Fundraiser-Hamburger Sale
HM King Brahma Booster Club	Temporary Food Event Fundraiser-Hamburger Sale
Kingsway Family Church	Temporary Food Event Fundraiser-Bar B Que Chicken Plate Sale

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Kenny's Fun land Carnival	Temporary Event-Permitted Carnival Food Booths	
Ruben Turrubiates Produce Stand	Temporary Event-Permit Issued Produce Sale	
Sergio Galvan	Temporary Food Event Fundraiser-Brisket Plate Sale	

### **Closed Food Establishment**

La Palmera Bar & Grill/Riviera, Texas - No Business

## Did you know?

On average, cats spend 2/3rds of every day sleeping. That means a nine-year-old cat has been awake for only three years of its life. A cat can't climb head first down a tree because every claw on a cat's paw points the same way. To get down from a tree, a cat must back down.

# Animal Control Food Donations – Thank You Walmart Wal-Mart donated 60 pounds of dry dog food, 14 cans of

dog food and 10 pounds of dry cat food. Thanks Wal-Mart for your generous food donation to the City-County Health Department Animal Shelter.





Another food donation from Wal-Mart, 110 pounds of dry dog food, 12 cans of dog food and 20 pounds of kitty litter.



The City-County Health Department received a third food donation for the month of October from Wal-Mart 75 pounds of dry dog food and 24 pounds of dry cat food. Thank you Wal-Mart for you continuous food donations to our animal shelter.

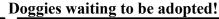
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## **Animal Control-Monthly Pet Adoption Day**

The City-County Health Department-Animal Control Division recently held their monthly Pet Adoption Day at our local Tractor Supply Company. The event was held Saturday, October 19, 2013 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Several dogs and kittens were displayed for the public to see and pet. Two lucky dogs were adopted and went to a forever home, congratulations and thank you to the 2 pet adopters. Unfortunately no cats were adopted. Pictured are Jessica Montalvo, Customer Service Representative and Teresa Orr, Kennel Attendant who are waiting and ready to adopt out our pets.

Thank you Jessica and Teresa for what you do.

Jessica and Teresa







**Kitties and Doggies!** 



Please join us at our next Pet Adoption Day!!!

Saturday, November 16, 2013 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

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## **City-County Health Board Meeting**

The City-County Health Board met for their bi-monthly meeting on October 30, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was held at the City-County Health Department. It was attended by Board Members Judy Anthony, Joni Harrel, Otis Myers, Karen Tallant, Dr. Eddie Sanchez, Emilio H. Garcia, Health Director and Monica Longoria, Administrative Assistant II. Member absent was Robert Ben Salinas. Norma Sue Adrian was introduced as the new city-county joint appointee to the Board of Health she will serve for three years. Our new Administrative Assistant II Monica Longoria was also introduced as the new employee for the City-County Health Department. The board reviewed the monthly reports for August and September. Items reviewed and discussed were food establishment inspections, animal control services, vector control (bees), and onsite sewage facilities. The board approved all monthly reports as presented. Our next Health Board meeting will be December 19, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.

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

### **Finance Division**

<u>Did You Know?</u> - The proper sequence for the accounting cycle is? Analyze, journalize, post, adjust, prepare statements, close.

<u>P-Card Statements</u> - The P-Card statements went out to staff on Wednesday, October 30, 2013. They have both September and October charges. September charges will



be charged to last year's budget and October charges to this year's budget. Two reconciliation sheets are required this month when submitting your documentation for your charges; one for this year and one for last year. A reminder went out with the P-Card statements. Your reconciliations are due to Purchasing 1 week from receiving your statement.

<u>Investment Training</u> - James Bryson, the Accounting Manager, attended investment training in relation to the Public Funds Investment Act (Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code) The Act requires Treasurers, Chief Financial Officers, and Investment Officers of local governments, including all political subdivisions (excluding certain water districts), to receive 10 hours of training on topics pertaining to the Act within the first 12 months after assuming duties and every 2 years thereafter. The PFIA requires that investment training include education in investment controls, security risks, strategy risks, market risks, diversification of investment portfolio, and compliance with the Act.

<u>Payroll</u> - Payroll would like to remind Directors and/or their designee's to remember to approve their staff's time in the Time Clock Plus software during each payroll week. The program does not allow for more than two pay periods to be open in the system. If there is a department with pending management approval no City employees will be able to clock in once the next payroll period starts.

<u>Accounts Payable</u> - Accounts Payable has been clearing stale-dated Purchase Orders but needs the Departments to make sure they are not holding on to any prior year (before September 30, 2013) invoices. Please make sure you are submitting payment requests in a timely manner.

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Audit - Womack & Company is scheduled to start the annual audit in January. The Finance Department is preparing for the audit by gathering the following information at the Auditors request:

(1) Original Approved Budget for audit year and final amended budget, as well as, approved original budget for 2014 year.

Any new leases, loans, or contracts acquired during the year. All federal applications, awards, and amendments & final reports, and any monitoring (2) (3)

A copy of purchasing co-op agreement, if a member of such Copy of all bank reconciliations as of September 30, 2013 (reconciled to GL) along (4) (5) with account names and numbers

Year-to-date general ledger as of September 30 – all funds
List of unpaid bills (open item report) as of September 30
List of all outstanding purchase orders (encumbrances) as of September 30, including account number, vendor and amount

Inventory of Fixed Assets available for review

(10)List of Certificates of Deposit – amount, interest rate, maturity date, financial institution, principal amount as of 9/30/13, accrued interest as of 9/30/13 (this should be a complete listing for the entire year-whether they have matured or not during the year )

Inventory listing Accumulated Vacation and sick leave schedule

Copy of the tax assessor/collector bond Year to date trial balance for all funds

(11) (12) (13) (14) (15) (16) (17) (18) Pooled Cash Report as of September 30, 2013 Copy of GFOA response for 9/30/12 audit report EMS Ambulance Reconciliation to GL Subsystem

List of all bank accounts including Bank Account Title, Account Number, Authorized

- (19) (20) (21) (22) (23) All insurance agencies providing coverage to the city (name and address)
  Name and address of attorney(s) that city used for any litigation
  Name and address of all bond paying agents
  Petty cash funds, including amount and custodian
  Name and address of property tax collector. If collected within the City, name and address of
- bond agent.

  Name and address of institution and/or department that holds securities pledged per the depository contract (24)

Name and address of county appraisal district
Printout of all expenditures charged to capital outlay accounts to date
List of name, address, occupation, spouse's name and occupation of council or board members (25) (26) (27) along with their spouse's occupation

Copy of depository contract or contracts that cover the audit year
Copy of latest investment policy (with copy of minutes showing annual review date by
Commission); copy of quarterly investment reports made to Commission; copy of CPE
certificates for investment officer training; completed "Internal Control Investment
Questionnaire" (attached)
All financial records to date including bank statements, year-to-date general ledger, subledgers,
investors purchase orders trial balances and financial statements (28) (29)

(30)

invoices, purchase orders, trial balances, and financial statements

Inventory of Fixed Assets

Personnel roster

(32) (33) (34) 941s & TMRS Monthly reports (to date) (Please have these available)

Minutes of meetings from July 2012 through present date

(35)All bid related files (showing dates when advertised in newspaper)

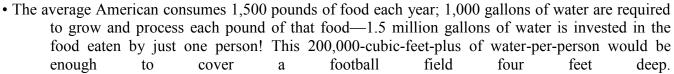
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<u>Incode Version VX</u> – This major conversion is still on schedule. Douglas Garrett will be on site starting November 11<sup>th</sup> for two weeks to provide hands on training as well as to ensure all of the City's accounting processes run smoothly. The "go live" date has been set for January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

## **Utility Billing Division**

Facts on Water Use -

- The average single-family home uses 80 gallons of water per person each day in the winter and 120 gallons in the summer.
- Showering, bathing and using the toilet account for about two-thirds of the average family's water usage.
- 6.8 Billion Gallons of water Americans flush down their toilets every day.
- About 6,800 gallons of water is required to grow a day's food for a family of four.



- About 39,090 gallons of water is needed to make an automobile, tires included.
- It takes about 6 gallons of water to grow a single serving of lettuce. More than 2,600 gallons is required to produce a single serving of steak.
- It takes almost 49 gallons of water to produce just one eight-ounce glass of milk. That includes water consumed by the cow and to grow the food she eats, plus water used to process the milk.
- Water used around the house for such things as drinking, cooking, bathing, toilet flushing, washing clothes and dishes, watering lawns and gardens, maintaining swimming pools, and washing cars accounts for only 1% of all the water used in the U.S. each year.

Information from; <a href="http://savethewater.org/2013/03/world-water-day-2013-special-water-education-edition-200-water-facts-and-trivia-you-may-not-know/">http://savethewater.org/2013/03/world-water-day-2013-special-water-education-edition-200-water-facts-and-trivia-you-may-not-know/</a>

<u>Utility Bills & Special Announcements</u> - Current water utility billing statements include the following reminder:

City Hall will be closed November 11, 2013 in observance of Veteran's Day.

Residential pickup Mon/Thurs will be changed to Tues/Thurs and Tues/Fri to Wed/Fri

Commercial pickup Mon/Tues will on Tues

Payments can still be dropped off via check or money order form in night drop outside corner of City Hall Building or made online, CityofKingsville.com via MasterCard or Visa.

It is important to review your utility bill before you contact us with a question in regards to the amount of your bill we suggest the following: Review the Bill date, due date, service dates, Consumption amount, and look at previous and current readings and remember we read in 100's. Of course we are here to assist and answer any questions regarding your water bill and we have very competent customer service representatives and two Utility Billing Specialist ready to assist our customers so please feel free to call 361-592-5281with any additional questions or concerns regarding your utility billing water bill.

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<u>Water and Waste Water Rate Increases</u> - On August 12, 2013 the Commission approved a Water rate increase of 1% and a Waste Water Rate increase of 3%. The updated rates went into effect August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013. The first bill pertaining to the increase was mailed out September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

<u>Reminder</u> - 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**

<u>Did you Know?</u> - When you receive a citation, the options you have to resolve your case can vary depending on many different factors including, but not limited to: the type of violation, the severity of the violation, the age of the defendant, etc. The first thing you will need to do is enter a plea on or before your appearance date. You may be scheduled for a court date, or you may have the option



of disposing of the case without appearing in open court. If your situation allows you to resolve the matter without appearing in open court, you may pay the fine, provide proof for expired violations or insurance matters, or you may be eligible for an alternate sentencing option such as deferred disposition or a driving safety course. For more information citizens are encouraged to contact the City of Kingsville Municipal Court for any questions or concerns by calling (361) 592-8566 or visit us at 200 E. Kleberg. 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 <a href="https://cityofkingsville.com/">https://cityofkingsville.com/</a>

<u>Court Business</u> - Throughout the weeks of October 16, 2013, 2013 through October 29, 2013, the Kingsville police department filed a total of 160 new citations with the court: traffic (133), parking (27) and state law (30). Kingsville's health and code enforcement filed a total of 22 new ordinance violations. A total of 179 cases were completed and closed during this period. In the warrant department a total 126 cases were confirmed and cleared from the court system. Court collections in this period totaled \$29,679.91 from settlement on payment plans and all other executed orders.

<u>Inmate Court Hearing for October 24, 2013</u> - During the 2:00 o'clock session, a total of 2 inmates were transported to the Municipal Court Chambers by Kingsville police department. 2 persons were granted a thirty day extension to pay fines owed.

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<u>Public Court Hearing for October 10, 2013</u> - During the 3:00 o'clock session there were 136 total of people scheduled to make there court appearance (282 cases), of which 32 people did appear. Of the people whom did appear the case results were as follows:

## Special thanks and have a safe, happy Halloween!



The court would like to extend our appreciation for the security provided by the Kingsville Police

109	Payment plans & extensions granted
93	Cases forwarded to the warrants
24	Cases forwarded for review
17	Cases resolved by compliance
14	Cases committed to County jail
10	Cases reset
9	Cases closed
5	Cases set for trial
1	Case placed on deferral

department. Special thanks to Officer L. Brown #80, Officer T. Cervantes #78, Officer J. Flores #52 and Officer Garza. Municipal Court would like to thank all our contributing departments for your continuous hard work and contributing factors. Please be safe and make sure to be aware of all surroundings throughout your trick or treating festivities at all times. Pictured to the left you will see Municipal Court employees

Victoria Cavazos and Victoria Butler participating in the City Halloween safe trick or treating festival. Thanks to all who attended and participated!

<u>Payment Methods</u> - The Municipal court manager asks that the public please continue to contact the court office for additional information on traffic and all other citations received at 361-592-8566. Also as a reminder, the court does not accept payment by personal checks. Payment may be made by Visa, MasterCard, money order, cashier's check and cash.

### Municipal court schedule -

Pre-Trial November 7, 2013 at 9 a.m. (Attorney cases) / November 21, 2013 at 9 a.m. Inmate Court Session November 7, 2013 at 2 p.m. / November 21, 2013 at 2 p.m. Regular Court Session November 7, 2013 at 3 p.m. / November 21, 2013 at 3 p.m. Trial-Bench November 21, 2013 at 4 p.m. / November 21, 2013 at 4 p.m.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Joey Reed, Fire Chief) Reporting period 10/3/13 to 10/17/13



Fire Department Mission Statement
Safely respond to fire, medical, and
other emergencies. Provide public
safety education and prevention
programs to protect our community
because we care.



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## Participation in Community Events Update

<u>Fall Festival at Kleberg County Rehab October 26th</u> - Engine 1 participated in the Festival at Kleberg County Rehab.

Boys & Girls Club Fall Festival October 26<sup>th</sup> - Engine 1 and Medic 3 was on standby for the Childrens Safety.

<u>City of Kingsville Fall Festival October 25<sup>th</sup></u> - A Medic Unit was on standby.

Halloween Trunk or Treat October 31<sup>st</sup> - A Medic Unit will be on standby at the event.

<u>NOTE:</u> Due to the increased number of simultaneous emergencies that are occuring within the City, the Fire Department will not be able to assign personnel or equipment to remain at the location of special events. The Fire Department and it's personnel are happy to be involved in community events, but must remain available to respond to emergencies and ensure the fastest possible response times. Personnel may be requested for events through the Fire Chief's office. Daily staffing levels and training schedules may effect resource availability.

## **Training and Professional Development**

<u>Station Drills</u> - Fire crews participated in various training drills throughout the period including:

- 1. Truck Compnay Operations
- 2. Rescue Jacks Refamiliarization

## Department Training -

- 1. EMS "How We Run A Code"
- 2. Fire House Webinar

<u>Texas Fire Marshall Conference</u> - Fire Marhsal Cavazos and Captain Carrion attended The Texas Fire Marshal's Conference in Austin October 20-24<sup>th</sup>. They attened classes related to Fire Prevention and Fire Code Enforcement.

#### **Planning**

Game Night Tailgate Event - Will be setting up Fire Department Canopy for City use at the event.

## **Public Safety Education Programs**

- 1. Methodist Church Day Care
- 2. Harrell Elementary
- 3. Perez Elementary
- 4. Kingsway Leadership School
- 5. Harvey Elementary
- 6. Santa Gertrudis School





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**Hydrant Maintenance:** The Fire Department cleared weeds around fire hydrants during theperiod.

**Texas Commission on Fire Protection -** All paid firefighters are required to attend continuing education classes each year. This information and certification fees were submitted to the State Fire Commission.

Committee Meetings Conducted - Officers Meeting / Uniform Committee Meeting / Communication/Dispatch Committee Meeting / Apparatus Committee Meeting

**Fire and EMS Response Statistics** - EMS crews responded to **(19)** fire and other calls, **(115)** EMS calls, for a total of **(134)** emergency calls between October 3<sup>rd</sup> and October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

### **Other Department Activities**

<u>Local 2390 Bargaining Agreement Negotiations</u> - Bargaining agreement talks between the City and Firefighters Local 2390 are ongoing.

<u>Fire Station 2</u> - Interior remodeling of Fire Station 2 is ongoing

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

### Did You Know?

"Far and away the best prize that life has to offer is the chance to work hard at work worth doing." Theodore Roosevelt

### **Advertised Positions**

Fire - Firefighter/Paramedic

Garage – Maintenance Technician

Police – Telecommunication's Operator

Street - Supervisor

Wastewater – Utility Worker

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## **New Employees**



Cindy Hiebert Paralegal Legal



Eric Oviedo Community Appearance Planning



Cristobal Mejia Equipment Operator II Landfill



Teekie Allen Telecommunications Operator Police Department

# **Separations**Mark Rushing - Finance Director

#### General

The HR Department coordinated with Kingsville Clinic to provide a make-up day for Flu Vaccines on Friday, October 25, 2013. Twelve (12) employees took advantage of this opportunity and received their free vaccine.

## Game Night and Employee Tailgate at TAMUK

Planning continues for the annual employee recognition and family event. The Employee Recognition and Safety Committee stepped into high gear to coordinate the tailgate event to be held at TAMUK prior to "Game Night 2013" on November 2, 2013. Food will be available to City employees and their families. Game Night 2013



logo shirts were distributed to all employees for the event. Tentative attendance for the event is at approximately 400. Everyone is looking forward to a fun filled day and exiting game.

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## **Employees Attend IceRay Hockey Game**

Feedback was very positive for this appreciation event. A total of 250 tickets for the IceRay hockey game had been requested by City employees. Employees had a wonderful time enjoying the game with their families.

## City Manager Signs Collective Bargaining Agreement with KLEA

Collective bargaining with the Kingsville Law Enforcement Association was completed on October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013 with the City of Kingsville City Commission reviewing the proposed contract and passing a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a new three (3) year agreement. The final prepared document was signed by City Manager Vincent Capell and KLEA President

Johnny Campos on Thursday, October 31, 2013.

### **BEFORE**







Contract negotiations are in the final stages with the Fire Association. Tentative agreements are in the process of being prepared for review. The City Manager extends a big thank you to City Attorney Courtney Alvarez, HR Director Diana Gonzales and others involved in the negotiations for doing all the work necessary to reach agreement.

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

### **Planning & Administration Division**

## **Tree Planting Projects Scheduled**

Phase 2 of the TAMUK / City project to plant trees for a heat mitigation study being done by the university is scheduled for November 9<sup>th</sup>. The City and TAMUK Geosciences Department plan to plant oak trees, oleanders, and crape myrtles in the area around the City Post Office. The project should cover the back parking lot from view with vegetation.

### Solar Power being considered at Pavilion

Robert Isassi recently attended a TAMUK Business Plan Seminar and was introduced to a local solar power systems installer. John Gorman, a TAMUK graduate student and solar power consultant, met with Robert at the pavilion to evaluate the feasibility of adding solar power panels to the roof of the canopy. Mr. Goman recommended that the panels be facing the south for maximum solar coverage. Design options are being evaluated by Mr. Gorman and a grant is being considered. If the City meets the guidelines for the grant, Robert should have a presentation for City Commission to request to apply. Also at the Pavilion, the City has planted block sod around the slab. The entire area was not covered due to some tree relocation plans being considered.

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### **New City Hall Reconstruction Project**

VanFleet construction will begin painting and internal concrete structure repairs in mid-December. Contracts are nearing completion and should be finalized later this month. David Brown has stated that inside plans should be ready on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Mr. Brown will be conduction one last evaluation of room layouts for final design later in later this month.

## **Old Hospital Asbestos Abatement Project**

The City was able to walk through the old hospital to evaluate the scope of work necessary to abate asbestos within the old hospital. In order to properly abate the noxious elements within the hospital, the work will need to include the removal of stored materials within the building as well. In the late 90's and early 2000's the building was used as a storage facility with some items still in storage. The company who performed the asbestos study will be sending the City specifications for asbestos removal procedures so that all potential bidders can bid on the same work.

### **Economic Development Incentives**

City staff has introduced two incentive requests from developers who want to construct a hotel and townhome subdivision. On the onset, the numbers look good and City Commission has given staff the green light to continue working with the developers to proceed on justifying the incentive request. City staff is working on a checklist/timeline for each of the projects and will share with the developer as well as the County what steps need to be taken so that all parties are on the same page.

## **Dumpster Enclosure Project**

Phase 2 of the 3-Phase dumpster enclosure project is complete. There were some changes in the plans in which additional dumpsters were enclosed in high-visibility locations. The additional dumpsters changed the priority on which ones to do. Phase 3 of the project will address the remaining dumpsters within the City. All new dumpsters installed after Phase 3 are slated to include dumpster enclosures as part of the dumpster installation.

### **City Website**

The City has added a small script to let City website visitors know when they are leaving the City webpage. For example, when you click on a link to KISD's website, a small pop-up appears to let you know that "You are now leaving the City of Kingsville website."

### **Building Services Division**

### **New Business**

- The Center @ 620 N Armstrong now open for business.
- Simply a Blessing @ 400 N 14<sup>th</sup> now open for business.
- Bella Roma Italian Restaurante @ 930 e Santa Gertrudis now open.

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## City Building Official Back on the Job

The Planning and Development Services Department would like welcome Mr. Daniel Ramirez back to full duty as the city's building official. It will take some recovery time but he is ready to get back to business.

## **Building Inspections**

Residential Remodel	11	Demo	0
Commercial Building	0	Electrical Remodel	14
Mechanical	11	Moving	0
New Residential	2	Fire Inspection	7
Cert. of Occupancy	3	Gas Inspection	3
Commercial Meter	11	House Leveling 2	
Plumbing	6	Residential Meter	3
Re-Roof	5	Sprinkler	1
Sidewalk	1	Sign	2
Curb	1	Swimming Pool	0
TOTAL INSPECTIONS	83		



## **Community Appearance Division**

## **Community Appearance Inspections**

Recent activity (October 16-October 30) by Community Appearance Inspectors is as follows:

Activity:	Results:	
Notices Sent- 65	Compliances-58	
Inspections- 87	Abatements-19	
Re-Inspections- 72	Court Cases-5	
Illegal Dumping Cases- 0	Referral to other Department- 4	
Obsolete Sign Violations- 0	Placards Posted- 12	

## **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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# 1132 E. Ragland – Property Owner Abated BEFORE





312 E. Santa Gertrudis – Community Appearance Abated





1605 Santa Fe - Property Owner Abated





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# 510 Frances – Community Appearance Abated BEFORE AFTER





### **Demolition Initiative**

The Building Dept. will present five dilapidated structures to City

Commission Approved Property Owner Agreement

Commission Approved	FY '13-'14	1
Property Owner Agreement	FY'13-'14	1

Commissioners for review on the last meeting of each month. A goal of 25 demos per fiscal year has been set.

Below is an update pertaining to the noticed properties in violation awaiting a demolition order and the already agreed upon and approved properties scheduled for upcoming demolition:

Date Property Location

Pending 519 N. 6<sup>th</sup> St.- Awaiting re-hearing for Demolition Order Request

*Pending* 714 E Ave B – Voluntary Demo

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

## Top Ten Priority 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 18<sup>th</sup> phase to be completed in October. 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 19

<b>Property Address</b>	Date of Compliance Deadline	
1232 E Johnston	11/13/2013	
315 E. Lee	11/13/2013	

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2415 E. Santa Gertrudis	11/13/2013
1110 E. Yoakum	11/13/2013
327 E. Santa Gertrudis	11/13/2013
405 E. Huisache	11/13/2013
419 E. Huisache	11/13/2013
603 E. Kenedy	11/13/2013
1218 W. Richard	11/13/2013
1908 Martin	11/13/2013

# Cumulative count of abatements conducted by the property owner for "Top Ten" monthly private property cleanups

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

Top Ten Phase #	#of Cleanups Conducted	Top Ten Phase #	#of Cleanups Conducted
	by property owner		by property owner
PHASE 1	0 out of 10	PHASE 12	8 out of 10
PHASE 2	2 out of 10	PHASE 13	9 out of 10
PHASE 3	2 out of 10	PHASE 14	6 out of 10
PHASE 4	3 out of 10	PHASE 15	9 out of 10
PHASE 5	3 out of 10	PHASE 16	9 out of 10
PHASE 6	3 out of 10	PHASE 17	8 out of 10
PHASE 7	4 out of 10	PHASE 18	8 out of 10
PHASE 8	7 out of 10	PHASE 19	In Process
PHASE 9	5 out of 10		
PHASE 10	8 out of 10		
PHASE 11	7 out of 10		

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## POLICE (Courtesy of Ricardo Torres, Chief)

## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Safe Trick or Treating Fall Festival

Members of the Kingsville Police Department participated the at Safe Annual Trick Treating Fall Festival held downtown. Sgt. Mark Frost, C.I. Daniel Gonzales, C.I. Tony Gus Ruis. Det. Contreras, Det. Joe Gonzales, Sr. Ptlm. Eric Perez, Sr. Ptlm. Ernie Martinez and Ptlw. Magdelena Fonseca candy provided to the KPD was able to children. raffle off, at no cost to





participants, 2 bicycles that were provided by a local business who wishes to remain anonymous. The winners were Aiden Alaniz, shown on the right photo, who will turned 5 on Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013 won the first bike. Lenora Rubio 8yoa, was the winner of the 2<sup>nd</sup> bicycle, her photo is the one on the right.



On Wednesday Oct. 21, 2013 the Kingsville Police department attended the Red Ribbon Kick Off at H.M. King

High school. Mayor Sam Fugate read a proclamation approved the City of Kingsville City

Commission and Chief Ricardo Torres was one of the speakers for the event. Cpl. T. Pittman, Sr. Ptlm. Rick Salinas, C.I. Daniel Gonzales and C.I. Gus Ruiz set up a booth at this event and talked to students about drug abuse prevention as well as careers in law enforcement. Shown in the photograph are C.I. Gonzales, Sr. Ptlm. Salinas and Cpl. T. Pittman. Chief Ricardo Torres is shown in this photo addressing the student body of the Mighty Brahma Nation at H.M. King High School. The event also commemorated the sacrifice of "Kike" Camarena while doing his job as a DEA agent fighting off the drug cartels.



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## Presentation at NAS Kingsville

On Thursday Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013 the Kingsville Police department presented a class for NAS Kingsville.



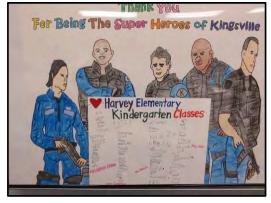
This class is for all the military personnel who are newly assigned to NASK. Some of the topics covered were alcohol related offenses and family violence issues. Questions were taken throughout the presentation. This presentation is provided to NASK twice a month. The photograph shows Sgt. Donald Lobaugh, who served in the Navy as well as Sr. Ptlm. Rick Salinas who served in the U.S. Marines.

## **Presentation at Harvey School**

Sr. Ptlm. Rick Salinas, C.I. Gus Ruiz, C.I. Daniel Gonzalez and Ptlm. Jorge Vega provided a presentation on being "Drug Free" to students at Harvey School on

Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013. The student heard from several of the officers as the presentation was conducted outside in the east parking area of Harvey School. The officers and staff of KPD were presented with a "Super Heroes" poster drawn by students and faculty at Harvey School. All of us





here at KPD
want to send
out a big
"Thank You,"
to our Harvey
school
partners!

### Upgrades and Repairs ongoing at Kingsville Law Enforcement Center

New Brazostech Electronic Ticket Writers - Lt. Julian Cavazos, Sgt. Ted Figueroa and Det. Tony Contreras test the new Motorola MC75A ticket writers with magnetic stripe reader for driver's license. Response from officers in the field has been extremely positive. The new units have decreased the amount of waiting time for the officers while they attempt to issue applicable citations to traffic and class C violators. The units also have a built in camera for taking a photo of the offender as well as Bluetooth to sync the on board computers of the PD units. The units were purchased at a cost of \$25,320.00 from Chapter 59 State Forfeiture Funds.



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FACEBOOK Stats for last two weeks, follow us at www.facebook.com/kingsvillepd						
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October 17 <sup>th</sup> thru 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 2013						
Likes on Page	<u>1,559</u>					
New Likes	<u>20</u>	New Check-ins	<u>2</u>			
People Engaged	<u>814</u>	Percentage Change/Prev. Week	<u>_+104.0</u> _			
Weekly Total Reach	<u>3,737</u>	Percentage Change/Prev. Week	<u>+90.8</u>			
41. 41.						
October 24 <sup>th</sup> , thru 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2013						
Likes on Page	<u>_1,595</u> _					
New Likes	<u>39</u>	New Check-ins	<u>2</u>			
People Engaged	<u>2,589</u>	Percentage Change/Prev. Week	<u>+231.1</u>			
Weekly Total Reach	<u>_12,285</u>	Percentage Change/Prev. Week	<u>+241.3</u> _			
Communications Bureau Activity						
0.1.1.0.11	572					
9-1-1 Calls	<u>573</u>					
Calls to Front Desk	_2832					

### **Training**

Mrs. LaTonya Johnson has completed six weeks of training in clerk phase of the telecommunication operator. Mrs. Johnson is assigned to Ms. Monica Lopez for training. Mrs. Johnson is progressing rapidly and is currently assigned to evening shift to experience different traffic.

### **New Employee**

Mrs. Teekie Allen began a month of training with the communication department. Mrs. Allen is assigned to Mr. Orlando Prieto and she is currently in the clerk phase.

### **General Information**

Dispatcher Brittany Ledesma had a baby boy and is expected back to work the second week of December.

We will be losing dispatcher Mario Esparza in December which will leave the Communication Department with two openings. Seven prospective employees passed the initial telecommunication operator test conducted by HR.

Sgt. Donald Lobaugh assisted Ptlm. Salinas with the indoctrination training for incoming Navy personal.

### **Patrol Division Activities**

#### Call Volume

Patrol officers responded to hundreds of calls and wrote reports on 172 cases.

Significant cases:

DWI arrests:	7
Drug arrests	8

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(marijuana, synthetic marijuana, methamphetamine)

Family violence cases: 14
Burglaries of Habitations: 4
Burglary of Building: 1
Burglaries of Vehicles: 4
Sexual Assaults: 2

## Citations/Warnings

Patrol officers issue 152 citations and 103 written warnings.

## **Training**

Twenty-five of the 31 patrol officers took the required 2-hour Federal/State Legal Update class that offered at the PD.

Five of the officers received 8 training hours in SWAT topics.

One officer received 16 hours of training at the Crime Stoppers convention in Corpus Christi.

One officer received credit for training done on the POSEIT web site.

### Personnel

Officer Rideau has returned to work after being cleared by his doctor.

Corporal Murray is still out but is expected to be back next week.

Officer Brown has continued his treatments and has not missed work.

### **Courts**

Several officers testified in municipal court.

One officer testified in the MTR hearing of Janell Sonnenberg. She was sentenced to 2 years in a state jail and still has another case pending.

Several officers testified in the Cathy Digby case. She was convicted of Aggravated Assault. Her punishment has not been assessed as of this time.

#### Other

Day shift officers continue walking through schools during weekdays.

Officer Brown took a burglary report where the victim gave the name of a suspect. Officer Brown checked the pawn shops and was able to locate some of the stolen property. Speaking with pawn shop employees, he was able to identify some of the suspect's associates.

New ticket writers and printers arrived. Patrol officers complimented the new equipment and say that citation writing is much faster now.

The enduro motorcycles were checked. Registrations and inspections were updated and they will be used on Halloween evening.

Day shift officers continue to report the school zone lights issues.

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A report for Sexual Assault of a Child was reported on October 29. The incident occurred three years prior.

# Criminal Investigations Bureau Activity for Reporting Period

Cases assigned during the week 97
Evidentiary Search Warrants for property
Felony Arrest Warrant 1

## **Activity for Reporting Period**

District Court Cases Filed: 54 County Court Cases Filed: 17

## **Training Officer**

10/18/2013 Friday SWAT training-Bus Assaults Prepare for legislative update class

10/20/2013 Sunday

Teach legislative update class. (2) sessions

10/21/2013 Monday

Red Ribbon kick off at H.M. King High

10/22/2013 Tuesday

Paper work for bus assault class and legislative class

Attend meeting with the Coordinated Community Resource Coalition (CCRC)

10/23/2013 Wednesday

Teach legislative update class. (4) sessions

10/24/2013 Thursday

Indoc at NAS Kingsville

10/25/2013 Friday

Red Ribbon presentation at Harvey Elementary school.

10/29/2013 Tuesday

TCOLE paper work for all the classes given

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

## Engineering (10/14-10/31)

Engineering have been working on setting "blue tops" and grading County Road 1030 for Hot mix operation. They have been surveying the grades and construction staking for the proper slopes for Hot Mix. Engineering has drawn up plans for the 3rd Street drainage/construction project. The technicians have started to mark and identify which curbs to repair. Engineering has also been assisting the Information technology team with the new "on line" GIS mapping systems.





### **Street Division** (10/14 - 10/27)

Road Construction – Crews continue to work on road construction for Project #42 on Co Rd. 1030. At this time we have worked limestone south to north side; set stakes every 20' at bottom of the hill at the creek. Over 4,000 tons of limestone was placed as base material. Engineering set hubs south of the creek, we set blue top and finished south of the creek. Crews have primed and sealed grade 5 and AC5. Crews are finishing laying Hot Mixed Asphalt on more than 3000 feet of Roadway. The next

portion of the construction is on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street from Nettie to Santa Gertrudis.





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## Mowing - Crews mowed:

- Santa Gertrudis Ave to 12<sup>th</sup> St.
- 12<sup>th</sup> St. to 11<sup>th</sup> St.
- 1<sup>st</sup> St to W. Ave I
- W. Ave I to Armstrong Ave.
- North Armstrong Ave to City Limit Sign.
- Corral Ave from Bypass to 14<sup>th</sup> St.
- Armstrong Ave from 1355 to Ave I
- Corral Ave. to W. of Armstrong Ave
- 14<sup>th</sup> St. from Corral Ave to the Y
- North Y to City Limit Sign
- Sage Rd from Young Dr.to Armstrong Ave.
- Police Dept. East Lot
- Creeks on 14<sup>th</sup> St to W. Wells
- Connell Villa
- Creeks from 17<sup>th</sup> St to 14<sup>th</sup> St.
- 12<sup>th</sup> St. from 11<sup>th</sup> St. to 6<sup>th</sup> St.
- Ave D to 5<sup>th</sup> St.
- W. Corral Ave to 1<sup>st</sup> St.
- Zone11 (this includes everything from 6<sup>th</sup> St to 14<sup>th</sup> St and King Ave to Caesar Ave.)
- Caesar Ave, from 8<sup>th</sup> St to 9<sup>th</sup> St.
- Ragland Ave. From 6<sup>th</sup> St to 8<sup>th</sup> St.
- 7<sup>th</sup> St from Caesar Ave to Huisache Ave.
- Doddridge Ave., Johnston Ave. Warren Ave. and Fordyce Ave. from 6<sup>th</sup> St to 7<sup>th</sup> St.
- Huisache Ave. from 6<sup>th</sup> St to 13<sup>th</sup> St.
- Fordyce Ave from 12<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> St.
- 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11th, and 12<sup>th</sup> St. from Fordyce to Doddridge Ave.
- North Y to City Limits Sign
- 6<sup>th</sup> St from Ailsie Ave to City limits sign
- Loop 428
- Kenedy Ave. to West of May St.
- 1717 From Dick Kleberg Park to Bypass
- Young Drive from Sage Rd. to CR 1355
- General Cavazos Blvd. from Hwy 77 to NAS
- King St. from Santa Gertrudis to May St.

## Round Up

- Zone 14 (from 6<sup>th</sup> St. to 14<sup>th</sup> St and from Caesar Ave to Ailsie Ave.)
- Zone 15 (from Ailsie Ave to South Creek Subdivision and from Armstrong Ave to FM 3320)
- Zone 3, 4 and 5 (from 6<sup>th</sup> St to the east of Hwy 77 and from King Ave to Sage Rd.)
- Ailsie Ave. from Loop 428 to 14<sup>th</sup> St.

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- Shelly Ave from Ailsie Ave to General Cavazos Blvd.
- Ave D from Fairview to Mequite
- Richard St.
- Lee St.
- $15^{th}$  St.  $-17^{th}$  St
- Caesar Ave. from 6<sup>th</sup> St to Hwy 77
- Henrietta Ave from 7<sup>th</sup> St to University Blvd
- Ella Ave
- Nettie Ave
- Ave A Ave B

### Weed Eating

• General Cavazos from 14<sup>th</sup> St to Bypass and General Cavazos from Bypass to NAS.

### Gutters

- Zone 3 (from 6<sup>th</sup> St to 14<sup>th</sup> and from Santa Gertrudis Ave. to Sage Rd.)
- Zone 11 (from 6<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> St and King Ave to Caesar Ave.)
- Doddridge from 7<sup>th</sup> St. to 12<sup>th</sup> St
- Warren Ave. from 7<sup>th</sup> St. to 13<sup>th</sup> St.
- 11<sup>th</sup> St, 12<sup>th</sup> St from Doddridge to Ragland Ave.
- 8<sup>th</sup> St., 9<sup>th</sup> St. and 10<sup>th</sup> St. from Johnston Ave. to Ragland Ave
- Garcia from Watson to Dead End
- Sarita from Wilson to Dead End
- Vela from Wilson to 12<sup>th</sup> St.
- 12<sup>th</sup> St. from Ave A to Santa Gertrudis
- Ella from 12<sup>th</sup> St to 10<sup>th</sup> St.
- 10<sup>th</sup> from Santa Gertrudis Ave to Ella Ave
- Ella Ave. from 10<sup>th</sup> St. to 6<sup>th</sup> St.
- Nettie Ave. from 6<sup>th</sup> St. to 10<sup>th</sup> St.
- 7<sup>th</sup> St, 8<sup>th</sup> St, 9<sup>th</sup> St. and 10<sup>th</sup> St. from Santa Gertrudis to Nettie Ave.
- 11<sup>th</sup> St from Ella Ave to Nettie Ave.
- Ave A from 12<sup>th</sup> St. to 10<sup>th</sup> St.
- 10<sup>th</sup> from Nettie Ave to Ave B
- Ave B from 10<sup>th</sup> St to 6<sup>th</sup> St
- Ave A from 10<sup>th</sup> St to 9<sup>th</sup> St.
- Ave C from  $6^{th}$  St to  $11^{th}$  S.
- Caesar from Ragland to Caesar
- Ragland Ave. from 8<sup>th</sup> St to 6<sup>th</sup> St.
- 7<sup>th</sup> St. from Caesar Ave. to Huisache Ave.
- Doddridge Ave., Johnston Ave., Warren Ave., and Fordyce Ave. from 7<sup>th</sup> St to 6<sup>th</sup> St.
- Huisache Ave. from 6<sup>th</sup> St. to 13<sup>th</sup> St.

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- Fordyce Ave. from 13<sup>th</sup> St. to 9<sup>th</sup> St.
- 8<sup>th</sup> St., 9<sup>th</sup> St. 10<sup>th</sup> St., 11<sup>th</sup> St. and 12<sup>th</sup> St. from Huisache Ave to Fordyce Ave
- Lott Ave from 11<sup>th</sup> St to 13<sup>th</sup> St
- Fordyce Ave from 9<sup>th</sup> St. to 7<sup>th</sup> St.
- Johnston Ave. from 7<sup>th</sup> St to 13<sup>th</sup> St.
- Doddridge Ave from 13<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> St.
- 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Sts. from Fordyce Ave. to Doddridge Ave.
- 7<sup>th</sup> St., 8<sup>th</sup> St., and 9<sup>th</sup> St. from Ave B to Ave C

## **Street Sweeping**

- Santa Gertudis Ave. from University to Hwy 141
- Santa Rosa from Santa Cecilia to Santa Fe
- Santa Monica from Santa Rosa to Santa Elena
- Santa Cecilia frons Santa Rosa to Santa Elena.
- Santa Maria from Santa Rosa to Santa Elena
- Ailsie Ave from 6<sup>th</sup> St. to 14<sup>th</sup> St.
- Carlos Truan from 14<sup>th</sup> St to Hwy 77
- Armstrong Ave. from Corral Ave to Caesar Ave.
- Yoakum Ave from Armstrong Ave to Jackson
- Jackson Ave. from Kleberg to Lee Ave.
- Ailsie Ave from 14<sup>th</sup> St to Carlos Truan Ave.
- Armstrong Ave. from Corral Ave. to Caesar Ave.
- Santa Fe from Santa Rosa to Santa Elena
- Santa Rosa from Santa Gertrudis to Santa Fe
- Santa Gertrudis from University Blvd to Santa Rosa
- Carlos Truan Blvd. from 14<sup>th</sup> St to Hwy 77
- General Cavazos Blvd. from 14<sup>th</sup> St. to Hwy 77
- 6<sup>th</sup> St. from Corral Ave. to General Cavazos Blvd.
- West side of 14<sup>th</sup> St from Corral Ave. to General Cavazos
- Corral Ave. from Armstrong Ave to Hwy 77
- 17<sup>th</sup> St from Santa Gertrudis to Corral Ave.
- The University Island from King Ave to Santa Gertrudis Ave
- King Ave from Hwy 77 to 14<sup>th</sup> St.
- Police Department from Hwy 77 to 17<sup>th</sup> St.
- Kenedy Ave from 14<sup>th</sup> St to 6<sup>th</sup> St.
- Henrietta Ave, Yoakum Ave., Cypher, Lee and Richard from Armstrong Ave to Seale Ave.
- Yoakum Ave. from 14<sup>th</sup> St. to 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Santa Fe from Santa Rosa to Santa Elena
- Santa Maria from Santa Rosa to Santa Fe
- 5<sup>th</sup> St from Santa Gertrudis Ave to Yoakum Ave.
- Yoakum Ave. from 5<sup>th</sup> St to 3<sup>rd</sup> St.

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- Henrietta Ave. from 5<sup>th</sup> St to 2<sup>nd</sup> St.
- Lee from 5<sup>th</sup> St. to Wells
- Yoakum Ave. from 2<sup>nd</sup> St. to Wells
- Alice Ave. from 5<sup>th</sup> St to 3<sup>rd</sup> St.
- King Ave. from Hwy 77 to Hwy 141
- General Cavazos Blvd. from Hwy 77 to 14<sup>th</sup> St.

## <u>Patching</u> – Crews patched and filled in potholes:

- 700 block E Miller
- Shelton (middle of the road)
- 504 Shelton
- 925 W. Yoakum
- 700 block Wilson
- 1610 Santa Cecilia Ave
- Ave B between 9<sup>th</sup> St and 6<sup>th</sup> St.
- 530 ½ E. Santa Gertrudis Ave
- N. 15<sup>th</sup> & E. Ave B
- 1500 block E. Warren Ave. and S. 19<sup>th</sup> St.
- 200 block W. Ave A and N. 15<sup>th</sup> St.
- 200 block W. Ave A and N. 15<sup>th</sup> St.
- Corner of S. 18<sup>th</sup> St and E. Warren Ave.
- 5<sup>th</sup> St. and W. Ave B
- 7<sup>th</sup> St. and Miller Ave.
- Lantana Ave. from Ave I to Corral Ave.
- Johnston Ave. from 14<sup>th</sup> St. to 17<sup>th</sup> St.
- 7<sup>th</sup> St. and Miller Ave.
- 1002 Gillett
- Brookshire Ave.
- 915 E. Huisache Ave.
- 925 W. Johnston Ave to Harrell School
- Ave F to Housing Authority
- Armstrong Ave & Caesar Ave.
- 20<sup>th</sup> St from Kenedy Ave to Lott Ave.
- Lott Ave from 14<sup>th</sup> St.to Hwy 77
- 18<sup>th</sup> St and Huisache Ave
- 16<sup>th</sup> St from Lott Ave to Johnston Ave
- Huisache Ave. from 18<sup>th</sup> St to 17<sup>th</sup> St.
- Warren Ave. & 18<sup>th</sup> St.
- 12<sup>th</sup> St from King Ave. to Caesar Ave
- 7<sup>th</sup> St from Miller Ave to Alexander Ave and Shelton Ave.
- 13<sup>th</sup> St. from Kenedy Ave to Caesar Ave.

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- Nettie and 2<sup>nd</sup> St from Santa Gertrudis to Nettie Ave.
- N. 3<sup>rd</sup> St between Nettie Ave and Ave A
- Santa Gertrudis and W. Ave C near Flato School
- 800 block E. Ave A
- 529 W. Mesquite
- 11<sup>th</sup> St and Fordyce Ave.
- Intersection of Rettye Dr. and Palm Dr.
- 310 E. Lee (alley)
- Ailsie from Ave B to Rettye Dr.
- Rettye Dr. to Palm Dr.
- 11<sup>th</sup> St. to Fordyce Ave.
- Kenedy Ave., Lott Ave. and Fordyce Ave from 6<sup>th</sup> St. to 14<sup>th</sup> St.

### Miscellaneous

- Trimmed trees from north Y to City Limit Sign (west side)
- Trimmed tree branches and racked caliche into alley from customer's property.
- Watered trees on Santa Gertrudis Ave. from Seale to Hwy 141
- Watered palm trees on General Cavazos Blvd.
- Trimmed trees at North Y

### Sign Shop – Signs and Cones

- Set and picked up mourning signs at 210 Birchwood and at 503 W. Ave B
- Removed 3 posts behind Post Office and on 14<sup>th</sup> St and General Cavazos Blvd
- Helped with barricades and tables downtown for the Halloween Festival

### Water Production (10/14 - 10/27)

<u>Texas Utility Associations Meeting</u> - Water Production attended the monthly Texas Utility Associations monthly meeting hosted by the City of Rockport. The Automatic Flushing Device has been installed by the Water Department on the South Creek additions and will be scheduled to start flushing on 10/31/13. Van Fleet is installing panels, water line and also hydro tested 8" water line at Well 19. The rotating element for booster pump at well #23 needs replacing.

<u>Routine job</u> - Collected 12 routine Bacteriological Samples; collected 14 daily chlorine residual, delivered Ammonia to 6 sites; delivered Chlorine to 6 sites.

Water pumped to distribution (9/29 - 10/6) Wells -46,639,000 gallons; Surface -9,675,000 gallons; 3,885,000 gallons for Ricardo bypass; Total 60,199,000 gallons; Average -4,299,928.57 gals/day

### Wastewater Collection and Treatment Plant (10/14-10/27)

<u>Wastewater Treatment North Plant</u> – Operators and helpers cleaned clarifier troughs and weirs. Operators shoveled sludge from sand drying bed; Helpers and Operators replacing UV lights. Helpers and Operators wasting in wedge wire and sand drying beds; Plant Helpers mowed grass around

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Treatment Plant. Contractor Mendez is pouring concrete for beams for new shed. They have also put up cement pad and started setting up beams. C2 Squared is working on pump 1 at 17<sup>th</sup> St and Lee Ave Lift Station. Jah-Con installed bar screen float. Wastewater has completed 4<sup>th</sup> quarter Bio monitoring.





<u>Wastewater Treatment South Plant</u> - Operator mowed grass, 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. Contractors (CSA) are still working on lights around new clarifier.

### Wastewater Collection -

- •Calls for Sewer Backups
- (1) 612 E. Fordyce Ave.
- (2) 818 E. Yoakum Ave.
- (3) 14<sup>th</sup> St. and Huisache Ave.
- (4) 200 E. Kleberg Ave.
- (5) 612 E. Fordyce
- Wastewater crew cleaned main sewer line at 1000 E. Yoakum Ave.
- •Crews vacuumed manhole at 8<sup>th</sup> and Kenedy Ave., vacuumed services at Casa Del Rey Apts. and vacuumed grit box at 3MGD plant.
- Replaced broken sewer main on 8<sup>th</sup> St. and Kenedy Ave.
- •21 locates
- •Disconnected sewer
- •3 bad odor calls at 1000 E. Yoakum Ave., 1015 E. Henrietta Ave. and 1000 E. Yoakum Ave.
- •Repaired cleanout at 712 E. Ave B
- Wastewater crew installed cast iron boot at 1000 E. Yoakum Ave.
- Picked up debris and leveled dirt at 925 W. Yoakum Ave.

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• Wastewater has started quarterly grease trap inspections. Crews repaired the wastewater line and service line behind City Hall.





## Water Distribution (10/14 - 10/27)

Water Division Crews repaired 7 Main Breaks and answered approximately 57 Service Calls, 22 - Locates, 9 - Service line leaks, 6- Meter Leaks, 11- Backfills, 8 - customer side leaks

10"	Main Break	323 N. 6 <sup>th</sup> St.
6"	Main Break	500 block W. Ave B
2"	Main Break	611 E. Kleberg Ave
3"	Main Break	700 W. Ave G
12"	Main Break	8 <sup>th</sup> St. and King Ave.
6"	Main Break	2500 E. Santa Gertrudis Ave.
2"	Main Break	1014 N. Armstrong Ave

Water crews installed the automatic flusher for Water Production at South Creek Subdivision. Water crews assisted in the preparation of several concrete street patches. Water Dept. Supervisor met with contractor in regards to water tap at the new apartment complex behind I-hop and new subdivision on Carlos Truan Blvd. Water crews continue to look for source of water on the 800 block of General Cavazos Blvd.

### City Garage (10/14 - 10/27)

<u>Maintenance</u> - 18 Oil changes on preventive maintenance; 48 scheduled work orders; 42 nonscheduled work; 18 Service calls; 0 Call out; 29 New tires on heavy equipment and trucks; 25 flat tire repairs and balances; 41 pending work orders. City Garage replaced pistons on Daewoo. Replaced blades and bushing on Unit 575.

<u>Welder</u> - 2 work order; 4 pending work orders; 13 nonscheduled work orders; 0 scheduled work order; and 6 service calls. Welder is fabricating new side plates on jack hammer.

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## Solid Waste (10/14 - 10/27)

Landfill - (10/14 - 10/27)

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. EPA continues to work on the methane gas project. Santa Anita brought the tire trailer to load up tires. Holt –Cat changed oils and filters on the Scraper. The Landfill quartered 100 tires with the tire cutter. The Leachate #4 is not working, called Nueces Electric to check the meter.

<u>Trash</u> –835 tons; Brush – 110 tons; Construction and Demolition (C & D) – 345 tons; Litter –.20; Metals - .68; – Tires – 5.03; Sludge - 49 tons; Recycled Tires 22 tons.

## **Sanitation**

Residential waste collected from  $10/14 - 10/27 - \underline{686,220}$  pounds; Commercial waste collected  $\underline{66,760}$  pounds; Brush collected  $\underline{66,520}$  pounds and construction debris collected  $\underline{62,260}$  pounds. The Brush crew will be collecting in Zone 2 this week and working on abatements and demos when possible. White Goods pickup is on Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup>. The second phase of the dumpster enclosure is nearing completion. Approximately 110 of 120 enclosures have been constructed and can be seen all around town. Mendez Welding has been preforming the job and has also made repairs to damaged enclosures for us. Sanitation has been helping Community Appearance finish small abatements as needed. Demolitions are now complete at 618 W. Fordyce and at 1114 E. Yoakum Ave. We are trying Republic Services as a new roll off hauler and used them for the first time at the Yoakum Ave. demolition. Recycling for the month of September totaled 30.05 tons from the recycling center taken to Corpus Christi.

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

## **Purchasing Division**



<u>Purchase Orders</u> - For the period of 10/17/2013 through 11/1/2013, 122 purchase orders were issued totaling over \$636,885.21 with a few Purchase Orders from FY 2012-2013 still trickling in closing out the fiscal year.

<u>Purchasing Training</u> - On October 17 and 18, Purchasing/IT Director attended the Planning, Advanced Specification Writing, Introduction to Negotiations, Contracting,

and Contract Administration. Overall, it was a very productive training. Projects

### **Technology Division**

<u>Incode Version X</u> - Tyler has begun the process of reviewing our current forms and check processing to accelerate our deployment of the new system. Some examples include David providing purchase forms and his expectations moving on to the new system. In addition, Mr. Bryson has provided Tyler with examples of our accounting forms and check stock. The person on-site during the middle of November will help with any customization of forms or any special reporting that we may require. Training of essential staff will occur during those weeks so it is important to maintain an open

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schedule. Training of additional staff will occur at a later date closer to live date. It is important to note that many welcome changes are going to occur in essential City Departments so it is important that training dates are met.

ACTIVITY	RESOURCE RESPONSIBLI	SCHEDULE EDATES
Initial Data Pull (to convert GL/balances)	Client	<del>7/29/13</del>
Financial Chart of Accts and Segmentation begins (non-billable)	<del>Jenna</del>	<del>7/29/13</del>
Deadline for COA and Segmentation completion	Client	9/6/13
Reporting work with updated COA begins (non-billable)	<del>Jenna</del>	Begins9/6/13
Deadline for converted GL, balances, & COA	Programmer	9/6/13
Remote Data Analysis and Setup — Week #1	Doug G	Week of 9/9/13
Remote Data Analysis and Setup — Week #2	<del>Doug G</del>	<del>Week of</del> <del>9/30/13</del>
Updated data pull & <u>deadline</u> for fixing all MDAP errors	Client	10/28/13
<u>Deadline</u> for initial full conversion	Programmer	<del>11/8/13</del>
GL, AP, FA, PU Onsite Consult – Week #1	Doug G	Week of 11/11/13
Personnel Mgt, Parallel Payroll, ESS, Onsite Consult – Week #2	Doug G	Week of 11/18/13
Remote Conversion work	Client	Begins 11/25/13
RCA assistance week (non-billable)	Doug G	Week of 12/09/13
Conversion <u>deadline</u>	Programmer	1/05/14
Final Data Pull	Client	1/10/14
LIVE GL, AP, FA, PU, PA	Tammy	1/21/14
LIVE Personnel Management, ESS, Time clock	Tammy	After live date

<u>GIS Server</u> - The development GIS server is up and running. However, we are still working through preliminary issues. The GIS development team will have a link sent out to internal departments once these issues have been addressed.

<u>Fire Department Phone System</u> - AT&T has installed the lines for the Fire Department phone system this was completed on 10/31. Due to this and other external factors the phone system will not be fully installed until November  $12^{th}$ .

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<u>GOVQA</u> - We have finally sent the received forms from Community Appearance to the GovQa Company. They will have a full test development site in production by late next week. Currently, we are



working on streamlining internal process to ease the transition to the GovQa site. I would encourage every department to look at current process and bring up any deficiencies while we are reviewing this process.

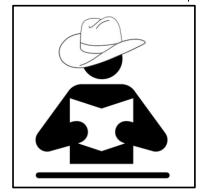
## R.J. KLEBURG PUBLIC LIBRARY (Courtesy of Ruth Valdez, Interim Director)

### **Electronic Elves Workshop**

No one knows electronics like today's tech-savvy teens, so the library enlisted the help of some electronic elves to advise and offer suggestions about MP3 players, smart phones, e-readers, laptops, and other electronic devices to novice shoppers. The Electronic Elves Workshop will be on Saturday, November 16, 2013, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Robert J. Kleberg Public Library. The vision for the workshop is to make this holiday shopping season a little less confusing. The elves will share their electronic wisdom with patrons who are looking for holiday gift ideas for children, grandchildren, and friends. Local "Black Friday" circulars, catalogs, online databases, and a few devices will be available at the workshop, so patrons can do some comparison shopping. The library is planning a follow-up Electronic Elves Workshop for January 2014 to assist patrons on how to use the electronic gifts they received during the holidays. For more information on these workshops, contact Danielle Friend at 592-6381 during normal business hours.

## **Howdy Authors!**

The library will be hosting, as part of the 2013 Ranch Hand Festival, a unique event for reading enthusiasts and book lovers alike. *Howdy Authors!* is a meet and greet book signing event on Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2013, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The event will provide guests an opportunity to sample the writings of and visit with local authors. Their works deal with a wide range of subjects, including life on the King Ranch, growing up in South Texas in the 1920s, an earless kitten who found a home, and even a personal family account of the day President John F. Kennedy was shot in Dallas, Texas. Amanda Cruz and Krystin



Torres, event coordinators, succeeded in booking six authors from the South Texas area. During Howdy Authors!, the library will also feature the *Express Library* Bookmobile. The public will be allowed an up close view of the renovations and transformation from an ambulance to a bookmobile. Joey Garcia, IT Librarian, will be on hand to answer any questions about the Bookmobile and other library services.

### **Steel Drum Ensemble Concert**

The Steel Drum Ensemble from the Music Department at Texas A&M University–Kingsville will be performing at the Robert J. Kleberg Public Library. Music majors and local residents comprise this ensemble, under the direction of Jason Kihle, interim Director of Bands. Steel drums or steel pans were created in Trinidad and Tobago in the 1930s. This percussion

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instrument, which can be struck or shaken, is made from a 55 gallon (oil) drum. Steel drums come in a variety of musical ranges. A person who plays a steel drum is considered a pannist. (<a href="www.steelpan-steeldrums-information.com">www.steelpan-steeldrums-information.com</a>) The public is invited to attend this unique performance on November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2013, beginning at 10 a.m. Admission is free to the public.

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

## Getting Ready "Employee Appreciation Game Night"

The Employee Recognition and Safety Committee are hard at work getting ready for The Citys 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Employee Appreciation Game Night scheduled for Saturday November 2<sup>nd</sup>. A Tail Gate event will start between the hours of 4:30pm and 6:30pm. Employees and their Families will be served Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Chips and Soft Drinks. The Tail Gate will not be hard to find, just look for the Navy Blue & Gold T-Shirts City employees will be wearing that night. We are estimating atleast 400 employees and family members attending.



## Safety & Health Orientation Training for 3 New Employees



The Risk Manager trained three new employees on October 24<sup>th.</sup> Cindy Hiebert with the City Attorneys Office, Cristobal Mejia with the Landfill Department and Eric Ouref with Community Appearance Department. Employees were trained on The Citys Health and Safety Handbook, Employee Rights with Workers Compensation and the Ombudsman Program. Both landfill and Community Appearance employees were given PPE of a Safety Vest and Safety Glasses. All three employees were also given City of Kingsville Caps and Game Night T-shirts. What a great way to start your employment with The City of Kingsville.

### Super storm Sandy: Then and Now (Queens New York)





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Super Storm Sandy ravaged parts of the Northeast coast last year, leaving millions without power and wreaking havoc throughout neighborhoods. These scenes of chaos and destruction were captured by both professional and amateur photographers, many of whom risked their lives in Sandy's aftermath. Photos show the progress made has been remarkable. In others cases, the landscapes are still scarred by the storm.



Hurricane Season is becoming more and more distant as the month of October goes by. According to the National Weather Service as of today, we have had 17 total named storms, 9 Hurricanes and 4 Category Cat 3 or higher Hurricanes. The Weather Channel gives these numbers an F. The letter meaning the Gulf Coast has been able to slide by without any direct hit of a Hurricane. So are we out of the woods yet? Yes and No. It is everyones responsibility to stay informed.

TodayTropical Depression Eighteen-E has formed off the Mexican Pacific coast, a few hundred miles southwest of Manzanillo, Mexico. The depression is expected to gain some strength over the next few days, and would be named "Sonia" when it gains tropical storm status. So as said' we never know!!

## The Temperatures are Changing

It feels like the Hot, Hot Weather is behind us. It is feeling mighty nice walking outside your front door early in the morning. Instead of feeling a wave of hot and humid temperatures, we are starting to feel the crisp coolness of fall. The cold-fronts are starting to come in easy and slowly. Employee



Appreciation/Game Night Saturday will be a nice day with the high only at 80 degrees. It is not time quite yet to take out your big coats but a light sweater may definitely come in handy.



## **Employee Injuries are Decreasing**

Great News!! Last reportable Injury with lost time for The City of Kingsville was July 29, 2013. This is a major improvement. Which means that the City has not had any employee injuries for three months? Monthly and Initial Safety Training is still continuing and the results are astounding. Great Job Staff!

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

### **Red Ribbon Week Kick-Off Celebration**

On Monday October 21, 2013 Kingsville Task Force Agent Richard Kirkpatrick participated in the 2013 Red Ribbon Week Kick-Off Celebration at the H.M. King High School Auditorium. Agent Kirkpatrick delivered a speech pertaining to the health benefits of staying drug free and the efforts our agents diligently put forth in order to help fight the war on drugs.

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## Agents Participate in Benefit Basketball Game at Kingsville's Gillett Intermediate School

Commander "Willie" Vera along with Kingsville Task Force Special Agents Michael Tamez, Richard Kirkpatrick, Jason McGee, Jeremy Loftin and Ruben Villalobos participated in the Red Ribbon Week basketball game at Gillett Intermediate School against 6<sup>th</sup> Grade students. The agents gave it a good shot, but unfortunately lost to the students: 16-2. The students were very receptive to having the agents participate in the game and were in high spirits throughout.

Photos courtesy of Selinda K. Sanchez, Public Relations Specialist for Kingsville Independent School District.





## City of Kingsville's 5th Annual Safe Trick or Treating & Fall Festival

On Friday October 25, 2013 Administrative Assistant Kathy Rios of the Kingsville Task Force lent her support to the Community Appearance event for the Annual Safe Trick or Treating & Fall Festival. She was on hand to hand out goody bags to eager children and parents there to enjoy the festivities. The Task Force also assisted in supplying the event with additional goody bags once the city's supplies had ran out.

## **Douglas Center Halloween Bash Festival**

On Saturday October 26, 2013 Kingsville Task Force Agents R. Villalobos and J. McGee participated in the annual Douglas Center Festival. They instructed attendees on the effects of Alcohol and how it impairs their driving. They guided the attendees in wearing the DWI Goggles to assist in showing the ill effects of drinking and driving.

## **Welcome to Agent Tom Roddy**

On Monday October 28, 2013 Kingsville Special Crimes and Narcotics Task Force welcomed Agent Tom Roddy to the fold. Tom has extensive experience having spent 26 years with the Immigration & Customs Enforcement (ICE) where he spent the majority of his career as the Resident Agent in Charge (RAC). Tom's unique experience will be a definite asset to a growing and thriving Kingsville Task Force.

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## 35 Assault Rifles, 33 Magazines and \$26,500.00 Confiscated

On Tuesday October 29, 2013 Kingsville Task Force Agent R. Kirkpatrick stopped a grey Dodge Super Cab for a traffic violation on U.S. Highway 77 at State Hwy 285. After the subject refused consent, a K-9 did an open air search and alerted on the vehicle. Kingsville Task Force Agents noticed multiple anomalies in the rear window of the pickup. As the agents checked the rear window they noticed that Velcro was holding the rear window to the cab. Once the window was removed it

revealed a hidden compartment in which were stored 35 assault weapons, 33 magazines and \$26,500.00. The 26 yoa driver from the McAllen area was arrested for Money Laundering, Engaging in Organized Crime and Possession of a Criminal Instrument. No one will ever know the number of lives saved by the efforts of these Kingsville Task Force Agents.







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## K-9 Assistance at Bishop High School

On Wednesday October 30, 2013 Kingsville Task Force K-9 Agents R. Kirkpatrick and R. Villalobos and K-9 Partners assisted Bishop High School in a drug search of their premises. The good news is no illegal contraband was found. These types of searches send a no tolerance message to students and staff that help create a positive environment in our schools.

## High School Drug Free Tailgate party at Javelina Stadium

On Friday November 1, 2013 Kingsville Task Force Agent M. Tamez and Task Force Administrative Assistant K. Rios participated in the H. M. King High School Drug Free Tail- Gate Party. They showed students how alcohol impairs their driving through the use of the DWI Goggles that let the students view what it would be like if they tried to drink and drive.

## TOURISM SERVICES DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Bob Trescott, Director) Report

#### **Tourism Presentation to Commission**

Tourism made major presentation to the City Commission on the status and plans for tourism and branding.





#### **Mother Julia Shrine**

In our effort to make the Mother Julia Shrine on Richard Avenue, a tourism destination, Cynthia participated in a tour of the property along with Charlie Cardenas, City Engineer: Robert Isassi, City Planner; Dean Steve Nix of the Engineering College; Maggie Salinas, Hispanic Chamber and Historic Board; Jessica Storck, Planning Secretary; Patti Trujillo, KingsvilleNow, hosted by Sister Maxie of Missionary Daughters of the Most Pure Virgin in Kingsville.



City departments offered assistance to Sister Maxie in support of the operation of the Shrine and its missions.

#### Mural

We continue to get bids for the installation of the mural.

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## **Event Planning**

We supported the City's Safe Trick or Treating Downtown. We discovered that breakdowns in communications and planning for events happen even between City departments and learned some improvements for the future.













#### **Zombie Walk Fundraiser for CASA**

Brush Country CASA hosted a Zombie Walk fundraiser in downtown on Halloween night. This will be the first public event that uses the Downtown Park Pavilion. As usual, all departments are mobilizing in support of the efforts in the park and for a downtown public event.







The Veterans Day parade will be November 11.

Planning continues for the Ranch Hand Festival for 22 – 24 November 2013. This event is being built around the long-standing King Ranch® - Ranch Hand Breakfast. The Ranch Hand Festival marks

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the beginning of the holiday season and the La Posada events. Public Works is gearing up for the installation of banners and the maintenance for the downtown holiday lights. Several departments are working on building a frame for a City float. Out department has pulled out and sorted old holiday decorations. The Ranch Hand Breakfast donated \$4,000 to La Posada de Kingsville. Pictured from left are Daniel Morales, Twila Johnson and Bob Kinnan.





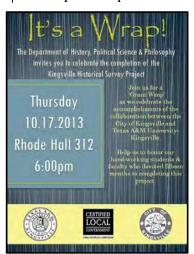


### **Façade Grants**

Cynthia Martin continues to promote and manage the Façade Grant Program. Progress is visible along Kleberg Avenue.

#### **Historic Preservation**

The University held a wrap party for part of the work on the Historic Survey and Inventory. They are planning on adding curricula and programs based on our shared experience with this project. Part of the output will produce a layer for the City GIS system.





#### Make a Difference Day

Chuck and Nancy Jennings volunteered along with Girl Scouts to support Susan Ivy with a Make a Difference project.



**City Beautification - Main Corridor Tree Plantings** 

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The City continues with tree plantings and brush clearing along 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Several City departments are involved. A significant effort has been made at the North boundary of the City and running south along Sixth, with both clearing and planting. Planning has begun for planting in the area of the downtown Post Office on Saturday November 9th. The Chamber of Commerce and the University are supporting this effort







Marketing
Tourism Personnel participated in the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual King Ranch Institute
Symposium and in the Kenedy Ranch Vaquero Festival







Distribution begins of the Kingsville brochures.

## **Mayor Fugate Receives Award**



Mayor Sam Fugate has been recognized by The Texas Mining and Reclamation Association as a 2013 Elected Official of the Year Honored at their Annual Meeting in Bastrop, Texas. The award is for the mayor's unwavering support of South Texas' uranium mining industry. TMRA is the state's leading mining industry association representing over 120 state and national members.

Trey Powers (TMRA Executive Director), Mayor Sam Fugate, Gene Jernigan (TMRA Governmental Affairs)

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

Monday, November 25, 2013 6:00 p.m. Monday, December 9, 2013 6:00 p.m.

## **Municipal Court Dates (Commission Chambers)**

Thursday, November 7, 2013 3:00 p.m. Thursday, November 21, 2013 3:00 p.m. Thursday, December 5, 2013 3:00 p.m.

## **Board Meetings (Commission Chambers)**

Planning and Zoning Board Wednesday, November 20, 2013 7:00 p.m.
Historic Development Board Wednesday, November 20, 2013 4:00 p.m.
Zoning Board of Adjustments Thursday, November 14, 2013 6:00 p.m.
TBA 11:00 a.m.

## **Board Meetings (Respective Location)**

Library Board Wednesday, January 15, 2014 4:00 p.m.
City/County Health Board (3<sup>rd</sup> week of every other month @ 5:30 p.m.)

#### **Holiday**

Veteran's Day – November 11, 2013

City Departments will be closed in observance of Veteran's Day

### Thanksgiving Holiday – November 28-29, 2013

City Departments will be closed in observance for the Thanksgiving Holiday

#### 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

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## **Employee Game Night and Tailgate Photo Review**



Emilio Garcia, Melissa Perez and Cynthia Martin



Jason Torres and Joey Garcia Working Hard



**Emilio Garcia and Mayor Fugate Busy Solving Most of the World's Problems.** 

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## Dozens of City of Kingsville Employees and their Guests







Melissa Perez coordinating with Fire Dept.



**TAMUK Band Playing for Kingville Emp** 

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## **Emilio Garcia, Commander Vera and City Manager**

## **Commander Vera and City Manager**







**Mayor Fugate** 

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### **Fall Festival Photo Review**

The Community Appearance Division would like to full heartedly thank all those involved with the incredible success of this year's fall festival. It was estimated over 350 Kingsville residents attended the free event. There were games that educated residents on community improvements such as keeping grass mowed and the benefits of recycling. Thank you Public Works for closing streets, providing ROs for trash and helping with some of the booths. Comments from residents are that they appreciate the event is completely free. This year we had a couple of groups sell some items at an approved price for the event. Kingsway Leadership Academy cheerleaders sold sodas for their organization & Chi Beta Delta Sorority from



TAMUK sold candy apples. The downtown merchants also participated by handing out candy from their business. Again thank you to all those involved!!!









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## (RECYCLED) COSTUME CONTEST WINNERS

**GROUP 1: 3-6 yrs.** 





GROUP 2: 7-11 yrs

