



# The Webb County Link

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## Important Dates

- \* 8/1 Department of Labor Mandatory Training
- \* 8/2 Department of Labor Mandatory Training
- \* 8/3 Department of Labor Mandatory Training
- \* 8/8 Jury Duty
- \* 8/8 Commissioners Court Meeting 9:00am
- \* 8/10 New Employee Orientation
- \* 8/10 JP, Pct. 4 Night Court 5pm—8pm
- \* 8/11 Safety Committee Meeting
- \* 8/15 Jury Duty
- \* 8/16 Professional Workplace Behavior Seminar
- \* 8/22 Commissioners Court Meeting 9:00am

## Historical Commission Recognized



The Texas Historical Commission recognized the Webb County Historical Commission with a Distinguished Service Award for the 2015 year of service. The THC issues Distinguished Service Awards each year to CHCs that document well-rounded programs of history- and preservation-related projects. The award was presented by the Webb County Commissioner Court to the Historic Commission to commend the historical commission’s dedicated service and stewardship of Texas’ unique cultural and historic sites.

## Asmussen Horse Center Recognized

Commissioner John Galo and the Webb County Commissioners Court recognized Keith and Marilyn Asmussen of Asmussen Horse Center in recognition of their worldwide achievements and careers as Professional Horsemen. The Asmussen Horse Center has served as one of Texas’ premier horse training centers since 1981.





### Senate Discussion

Texas Senator Eddie Lucio, Chairman of the Senate Intergovernmental Relations Committee, met with Webb County employees and the public. The meeting, hosted by Webb County Judge Tano Tijerina, was held to discuss local government issues important to counties and cities. Webb County was Senator Lucio's first stop in his tour of several south Texas communities. With the 85th Legislative Session only six months away, Senator Lucio discussed the various state actions and their effect on local governments.

### Blood Drive

Webb County Administrative Services Department together with the South Texas Blood and Tissue Center hosted a blood drive. Blood donations typically drop during the summer because high school and college students are out of school, and community blood drives decline because people are on vacation. Historically, July is the slowest month of the year for donations. With the threat of the Zika virus, anticipated needs for accident victims, an unusually high number of organ transplants at local hospitals and an increase in violent crimes, the blood supply is stressed even further. There also is the ongoing need for blood, which only increases as the local population grows.



### Probation Officer Week

Commissioners Court joined CSDC Director Melinda Vidaurri, 111th District Court Judge Monica Notzon, and various elected officials in proclaiming the week of July 18th through July 22nd as Probation Officer Week. Webb County joined people from across the United States and its territories to recognize the work that probation, parole, and community supervision professionals do for our public safety. CSCDs supervise and help rehabilitate offenders who are sentenced to community supervision by local courts.



## 6th Annual Educational Summer Camps

In his continued efforts of improving the quality of life of children through education, Pct. 4 Commissioner Jaime Canales held the 6th Annual Educational Summer Camps. The week-long camps are aimed at keeping kids minds engaged and ready to tackle the new school year. This year's theme kept the kids WILD ABOUT ACADEMICS.

## Community Center Event Roundup

### Bruni Community Center Back to school event



The **Bruni Community Center** hosted the Annual Back to School Blast. Many sponsors contributed to this year's very successful event, over 80 back packs were distributed to all WCISD students.



**Larga Vista Community Center** held its 10th Annual Back to School Jamaica. Commissioner Wawi Tijerina along with The Laredo Gateway Rotary Club donated 250 backpacks filled with school supplies to the children in that area.



The **Santa Teresita Community Center** teamed up with SCAN to hold a three-week summer camp. Forty kids from area participated in the fun and also received hearty meals courtesy of UISD.



The **Ladrillito Activity Center** was the site for Week 2 of the WILD ABOUT ACADEMICS Summer Camps. Kids had a fun time learning about different animals at the Lamar Bruni Vergara Environmental Science Center.



Participants of the **Fernando A. Salinas Community Center** attended the 2nd Annual Senior Citizens Day hosted by Municipal Court Judge Rosie Cuellar. Attendees were able to receive important information on different services.

Submit your department stories for next month! E-mail your story along with any pictures to [webbpio@webbcountytx.gov](mailto:webbpio@webbcountytx.gov). Stories will be edited for style, grammar, and length. Please be advised that, due to space limitations, we cannot guarantee that all stories will be publicized.