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Important Dates

- * 11/2 Daylight Savings Time Ends
- * 11/3 Jury Duty
- * 11/10 Commissioners Court Meeting 9:00am
- * 11/11 Veteran's Day County Offices Closed
- * 11/17 Jury Duty
- * 11/20 New Employee Orientation 8:00am
- * 11/24 Commissioners Court Meeting 9:00am
- * 11/27 & 11/28 Thanksgiving Holiday County Offices Closed

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Quote Of The Month

Life isn't about getting and having, it's about giving and being. -Kevin Kruse

Guadalupana Torch Exchange



Commissioner Rosaura "Wawi" Tizerina was invited to participate and represent the United States at the annual Race Guadalupana Torch. The Universidad Del Norte De Tamaulipas in collaboration with the Tepeyac Association of New York are hosting this race that aims to spread a message of peace and dignity for the sake of the immigrants of Central America and Mexico. This race began last September in Mexico City's Basilica de Guadalupe and will conclude this December at St. Patrick's Church in New York City. It is the first time in history that this event is brought through our city. Commissioner Tizerina was selected to receive the lit up torch at International Bridge 1 and deliver it to St. Agustin Church to continue making its journey through Texas on its way to New York. Accompanying Commissioner Tizerina through this wonderful experience were District Attorney Chilo Alaniz, President of LULAC Council #12 Jose Gamez and the Dean of Universidad Del Norte De Tamaulipas Jose Francisco Chavira Martinez. Congratulations Commissioner Tizerina!!

Congratulations To Gracie V. Garcia

The month of October was filled with accomplishments for 11th District Court's Court Administrator, Gracie V. Garcia. She was elected Board of Director for the Texas Association for Court Administration and also became the recipient of The Honorable Paul Ferguson Scholarship at the 38th Annual Texas Association of Court Administrators. The Texas Association for Court Administration (TACA) was organized in 1976 to encourage and promote continuing education, assist in maintaining professional standards for Court Administration, and aid in identifying individual needs in the Courts to improve the administration of justice. TACA is a statewide association with over 500 members, including court coordinators, court administrators and judges from counties all over Texas. We are proud to have Ms. Garcia representing Webb County in this prestigious organization. Congratulations on behalf of Webb County!



Gracie Garcia, pictured second from the left, joined by court administrators from around the state proudly display their award certificates during the 38th Annual Texas Association of Court Administrators

Webb County In Action



The Webb County Volunteer Fire Department and EMS personnel visited the Laredo Job Corp Center to give the students an informational presentation. Throughout the presentation, the students had the opportunity to participate in simulations and to see up close the vehicles used during emergencies, such as a fire engine, a rescue vehicle, an ambulance and even a helicopter. This fun-filled event's purpose was to encourage and motivate the students to continue pursuing their studies.



The Administrative Services Department, in conjunction with the Department of Labor held a Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) Training to educate County employees and supervisors on this important federal law. Nearly 100 employees and supervisors attended the two sessions offered.



Texas A & M University Colonias Program in collaboration with Texas A & M Health Science Center College of Nursing & Texas A & M International University College of Nursing & Health Sciences joined forces with the Larga Vista and La Presa Community Centers and held Health Talks classes on October 16th and October 17th. The topics that were discussed were Men's Health, First Aid for Adults and Children and Bullying & Domestic Violence for kids. 116 community members took advantage of the 2-day event and attended the informative classes.

A Road & Bridge crew replaced a damaged bridge at Eagle Pass Rd., 42 miles west of Laredo.



With winter right around the corner, Webb County Community Centers joined forces with the Texas A & M University Colonias Program to gather blankets for the needy in our community.



Submit your department stories for next month! E-mail your story along with any pictures to 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.