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Let's Talk About It Recent Events; Is This A Prequel Of What's To Come?

By Yvette Tello

The recent terrorist attacks in New Orleans and Vegas raise alarming questions about the state of security in the U.S. and whether these incidents are indicative of a troubling trend. Meanwhile, the significant breach of the U.S. Treasury by a major Chinese cyberattack could be seen as an act of war, highlighting vulnerabilities in national defense against cyber threats. On the political front, Trump's endorsement of Mike Johnson might be a pivotal moment for Johnson's campaign, but it remains to be seen if it will be enough to secure his position amid growing challenges. Additionally, the question of whether a Presidentelect should be held liable for sexual assault is a critical topic, sparking debates about accountability and ethics in leadership. What are your thoughts? Let's talk about it...

Ram Dls: "He is our president nothing to talk about #Trump."

Robert Vasquez: "Do you really think that lady was sexually assaulted ? Come on now ...his kind of money is in the 1 percent league of people. They get the best not the ugliest. One of the best Presidents in American history. I'm hoping he starts deporting a lot of illegal felons soon. And that wall needs to be an electric shocking wall to keep out the illegals. Illegal Mexicans have always been an issue. That's a reality with facts."

Maddog Garcia: "Once your eyes are open. you can never unsee what you have seen. Clearly the media is still trying to sell something that no one wants to buy."

Gene A. Gomez: "I think the law should apply to all without prejudice. Anyone of us would be held liable. But we live in a country where a convicted felon can't vote but apparently can run for POTUS. The border will never be completely fixed. There's the illusion that it's a problem but it'll always be a political tool to be used no matter who sits in White House."

Erma Garza: "It's a Trump thing!"

David Katakalos: "As the social world becomes more digital, loneliness, depression, and fear/ anger will continue to transform global society into less literate, and devoid of critical thinking, mindsets, resulting in more tribal/ cellular belonging-ness to factions that become more vehement in their attachments and proclivity for violence and subterfuge. The value of science and logic will continue to erode exponentially."

Steve Morgan: "Best wishes for the New Year from the Holy Land for everyone."

Robert A Williams: "Seems like the traitors on the left are trying to build up the courage to try to stop the transfer of power by creating an event then declaring martial law."

Helen Chouinard: "When you advocate hate, this is what happens. It will be a long tough 4 years."

Alex Deimel: "The people I have seen advocate hate are Democrats!"

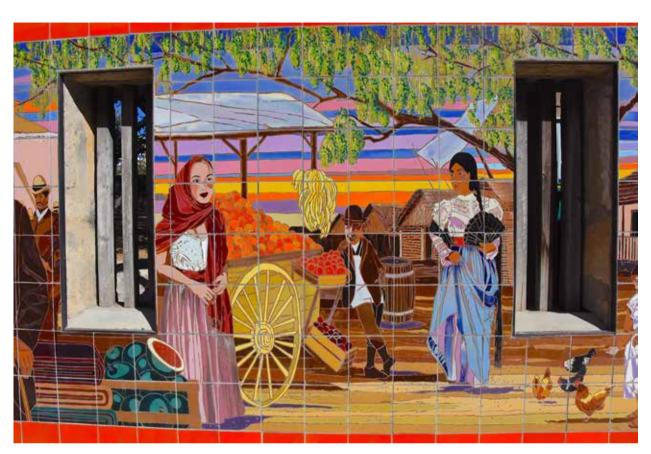
Karen Carter Hadden: "No one denies Trump has his faults, but our SWAMP is so big and corrupt, it takes a guy like Trump to expose these gross injustices under the table deals that have been happening. He's got balls and is doing what's good for America. He is 100% better than the alternative option we were given. Just saying... Who wants an airhead to run our country? We are in a safer America now."

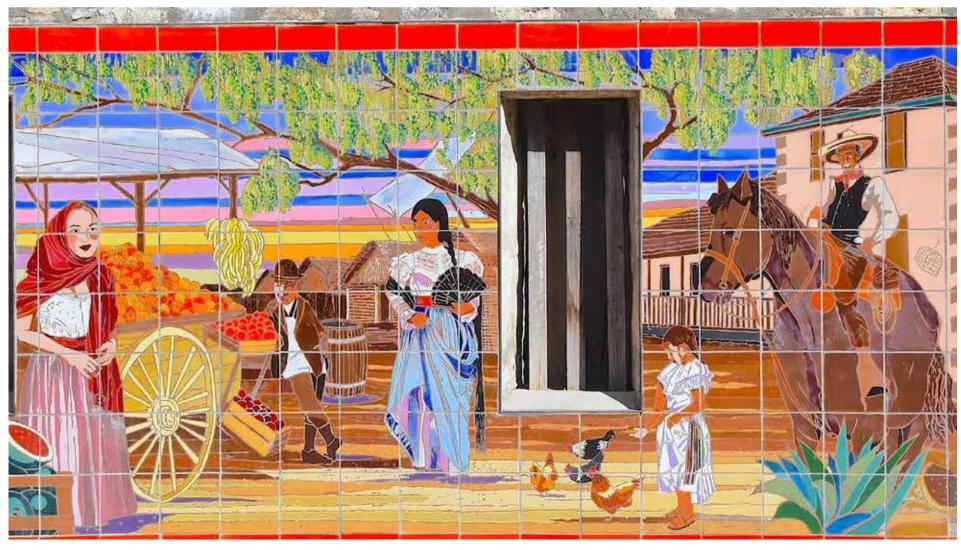
Whittie Vince Capone: "I think the realization for America is not only the individuals that arrive through immigration process legal or illegal that are connected to terrorist organizations furthermore, to include home grown terrorists sleeper cells waiting to activate and cause harm like yesterday's events. I don't know if you remember back in 1993 when there were Middle Eastern pilots that would sit in VIP being trained by the US military here in San Antonio. Years later some of the 911 suspects were later identified as Saudi descent and possibly trained to fly here in the US. It's all part of the scheme to disrupt our freedom and liberty. All connected somehow."

About the Cover Artist: Jesse Trevino - Navarro House

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Noah Silva Cumplió 10 Años

Por Franco

Noah Silva, recientemente Víctor Silva Jr. (El Perro). arribó a su décimo cumpleaños.

sus abuelos los estimados disfrutaron deliciosa cena pastel. esposos Nora y Víctor y alusivo pastel 'Niño Silva, dueños de "Tacos Envuelto' de cumpleaños. Al Minuto", le ofrecieron

Noah acompañado de

El pequeño caballerito el hogar de sus tíos Perla y y pollo, acompañados de bonitos regalos de sus tías; con su extenso menú que arroz, y frijoles borrachos.

familiares e invitados se invitados recibieron bolsitas tío Víctor Jr. Por tan importante motivo divirtieron con juegos de con golosinas y a la vez

Los deliciosos platillos la asistencia de familiares donde sus abuelos han

colorida fiesta familiar en fueron, Tamales de puerco y amigos. Noah recibió aportado sus servicios Brenda, Yudith, Yaneth y familiarmente los ubica Al final del evento social, Yoana, y en especial de su únicos en la gastronomía

Cabe destacar que Noah, su mamá Fátima Silva y su preferencia y a la vez saborearon el delicioso desde pequeño ha sido frente motocicleta, con consentido por equipos de grupito de invitados. Con La feliz mamá Fatima y beisbolistas en diversos mamá y abuelos y junto a sus padres, agradecieron circuitos de San Antonio, su pastel.

deportiva.

En las fotos aparece Noah,

(Fotos de Franco).











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Courtesy of the GEAA

The Greater Edwards Aquifer Alliance is featuring a panel discussion on addressing resiliency for San Antonio's most vulnerable communities for predicted impacts of climate change of flooding, heat islands, and air quality. Panelists will include City of San Antonio and Bexar County staff and/or elected officials, neighborhood and advocacy groups. The event will also feature tables for guests to visit and learn about GEAA's member organizations. We hope you will join us in this important community conversation.



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Courtesy of Cibolo Center for Conservation

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Sometimes, native prairie restoration can be achieved without adding new plants but through the reduction of simple ideas to combat these

be added to the plant Presenter: Dr. Megan

prepare the seedbed, how refreshments will be

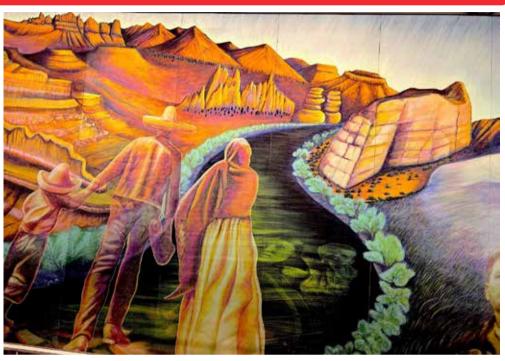


A Year of Photos. Happy New Year.

By Ricardo Romo



Luis Jimenez. "Progress." Courtesy Albuquerque Museum of Art.
Photo by Ricardo Romo.



Judy Baca "La Memoria de Nuestra Tierra." Denver Airport lobby. Photo by Ricardo Romo.



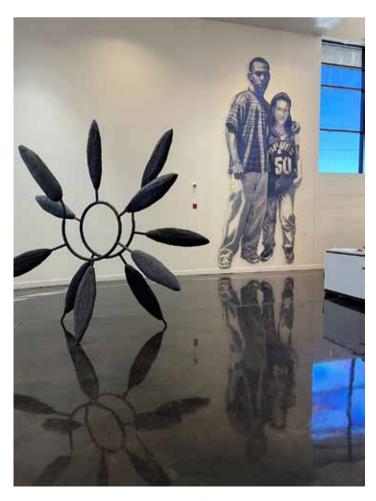
Amalia Mesa-Bains, Emma Tenayuca altar. Courtesy of the San Antonio Museum of Art. Photo by Ricardo Romo.



Michael Menchaca at Artpace. Photo by Ricardo Romo. Photo by Ricardo Romo.



Queretaro, Mexico street performer. Photo by Ricardo Romo.



Gaspar Enriquez mural, first floor, El Paso Museum of Art. Photo by Ricardo Romo.



De la Torre brothers' Olmec Moon Landing. Courtesy McNay Museum of Art. Photo by Ricardo Romo.



Frederico Vigil, detail, Albuquerque, New Mexico Convention Center second floor, history of wine. Photo by Ricardo Romo.



Chilaquiles Restaurant. West Commerce Street. Staff in front of Mexican painting. Photo by Ricardo Romo.



Rolando Briseno, Courtesy Centro de Artes. Photo by Ricardo Romo.



Benjamin Soriano, Guadalupe Lumber Co. mural. Saltillo Street. San Anton Cultural Arts. Photo by Ricardo Romo.



Detail of mural "Sacrificios." San Antonio, Texas. Photo by Ricardo Romo.



Amalia Mesa-Bains, "Mariana with Mesoamerican Figures." Courtesy of the San Antonio Museum of Art. Photo by Ricardo Romo.



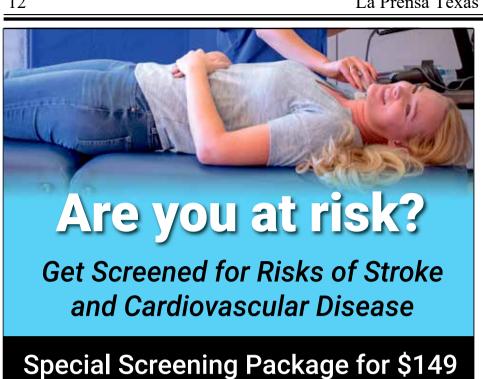
Michael Menchaca and Suzy Gonzalez.



Marco Sanchez, "A Dos de Tres Caidas." Photo by Ricardo Romo.



Cristina Sosa Noriega depicts a young Mexican-American girl San Antonio Airport. Photo by Ricardo Romo. making a wish on a dandelion, representing her dreams for the future. University of Texas San Antonio. Photo by Ricardo Romo.





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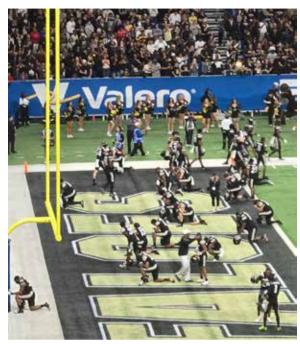


2024 Alamo Bowl

By Ramon Chapa. Jr.

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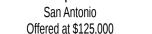
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'Non-Monolith': San Antonio Ethnic Art Society Group Show Jan. 9 at 6 p.m

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Courtesy of San Antonio Ethnic Art Society

Monolith: A SAEAS Brown, Don Stewart, "Non-Monolith" not only our lives Project is proud Allee Wallace, Boma Picquet. to present Non-Muaka, Dexter

Group Exhibition, Gary Young, Hebron is a testament to the but the broader co-curated by Chism, Josiah C. power of authenticity community as well. The San Antonio members Calvin Harris, Kaldric Dow, and self-expression. This space will serve Ethnic Art Society Pressley and Mav Paul Hurd, Renaldo It is a space where as a reminder that in partnership with Pascal, featuring Pierce, Ronney the diverse voices within each of us Centro San Antonio works of artists Stevens, Timothy of Black men can lies the potential to Art Everywhere Alexander McBeth, Lister and Wardell be heard, seen, and create, inspire, and felt in their true transform. forms, enriching



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Simón Sánchez arranca esté Cerros. domingo cinco de enero.

vs Potros (Del artista Francisco Navarro, y los

Las series del playoff se clasificaron en segundo foja final de 11 ganados, derrotó 7-5 a Cachorros. Con categoría Abierta dominical lugar y Potros en el tercer 2 derrotas y 1 partido victoria para Diego Dugarte. Martínez "El Venado" con Liga Potranco que preside escaño con el manager Luis pendiente, esto de acuerdo Josh Gill de Cachorros, su coach y jugador Ruperto

El estadio Potranco Cerda (manager y jugador), propiedad del artista Eloy y el coach y jugador Luis Potros 1, Juan Pablo Rosas manager Martin Rodríguez. con pizarra de 7-5 carreras. Rocha, con patrocinio de Mendoza "El Tronco" se su salón social Potranco clasificaron en cuarto lugar Ballroom, estará presentando y disputarán semifinal ante día espectaculares partidos. el líder Pericos del magnate A las 10am Cachorros Memo Frausto y el timonel para Matt Harrell.

timonel Martín Rodríguez, Sergio Trigo. Pericos tuvo 3-2 por Pericos. Acereros dijo Espinoza. al jefe de información y se adjudicó el título de Ortega en el montículo Acereros de Memo de la jugador Cristian Arzola.

pitcher abridor, tenía el

Resultados: Pericos 8 cero derrotas, de acuerdo al derrotó al trabuco de Reds

partido perfecto hasta el segunda vuelta en categoría la Cerda en relevo al abridor octavo capítulo tras permitir Masters 50+ José Sánchez, Jorge Morales. Lolo Ortega imparable. La derrota fue compilador y comentarista, se acreditó el triunfo. Y Rol aportó los resultados: Astros de juegos el domingo 5 de Marco Cabrera pegó de Pedro Espinoza, con enero. pitcheo de Alfredo Obregón,

derrotó 9 a 8 carreras a Joey Farías con uno abordó de Franco).

Eloy Rocha), los Cubs del coaches, Mario Cárdenas y de 4-3 y Roger Bernal de se pudo contener a Broncos",

Rangers de Benito pitcheo con 7 victorias y y relevo de Lolo Ortega, En la apertura de la La derrota fue para Carlos de

Campo 2 Potranco: los Broncos del magnate 10am Astros vs Reds. Roberto Garza, Humberto 1pm Yankees vs Broncos. Garcia "El Flaco" y Baldo Rangers descansan. En Montelongo, tiraron por las fotos aparecen: José derrotados. "Con pizarra a Sánchez, Josh Gill. Macario favor derrotó a Astros 9-4, Rosas dueño del club Broncos hizo cuatro carreras Cardenales y su ex jugador en el séptimo inning. Se estelar Tony Frausto, capitán logró retener mínima ventaja del líder Pericos que estarán y pues gracias a jonrón de disputando el playoff. (Fotos







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Uresti Takes Oath for Fourth Term as Tax Assessor-Collector

By Lisa Anderson

Albert Uresti,
Bexar County Tax
Assessor-Collector,
will be sworn in
Friday, December
27, 2024, at 4:45 PM
at his downtown Tax
Office in the Vista
Verde Bldg, 233 N.
Pecos La Trinidad.

Judge Ron Rangel will administer the oath of office for Uresti, and Pastor Jimmy Robles will deliver the blessing and invocation.

"Let me begin by saying that I am honored to have been elected to a fourth term, with over 82% of the vote, as

Bexar County's Tax
Assessor-Collector.
I am also very proud
of the many things we
have accomplished
during our first
twelve years,"
said Albert Uresti,
Bexar County Tax
Assessor-Collector.

Some of the improvements made during Uresti's first three terms include improved customer service, shorter faster lines, newly installed seating, and a queuing number calling system.

Uresti is also proud of how the Tax Assessor-Collector's office

has become more accessible, responsive, efficient, and customeroriented. Other improvements include online payments and making their website and phone system more user-friendly.

"Bexar County offers the most property tax payment plans in the State of Texas, including the only 10-Month Payment Plan in the State of Texas for senior citizens, disabled citizens, and disabled veterans. We are very proud to have received

a Best Practices
Award from the
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of Counties for this
program, as well as
a National Award
from the National
Assn of Counties.
This is one of five
National Awards our
Office has received,"
stated Albert Uresti.

A u t o m a t i c deductions, low credit card and debit card transaction fees, free checking and savings transactions, increased hours of operation, and aggressive outreach programs are also some of the other Tax Office

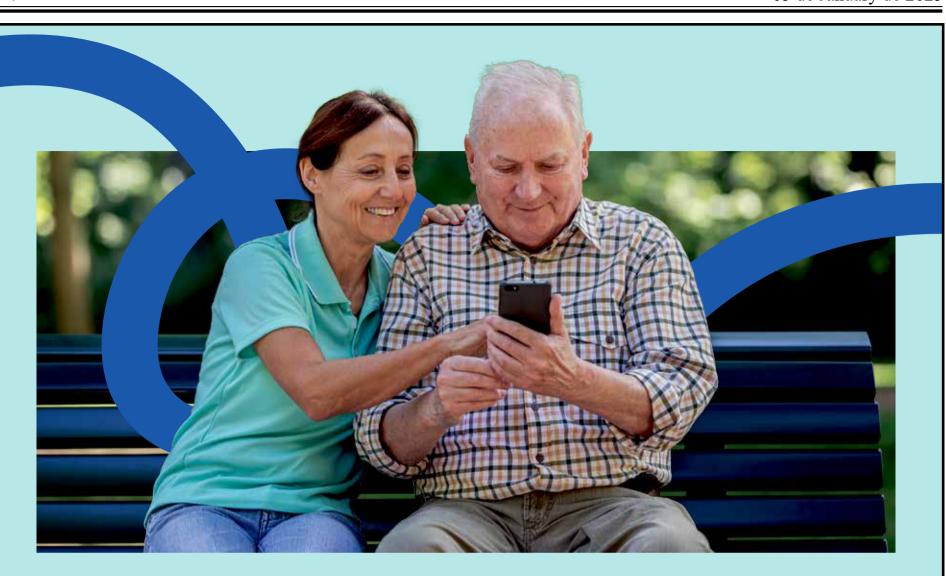
accomplishments.

"One of our major

accomplishments was being the only Tax Office out of the 254 Counties in Texas that incorporated the **HAF Grant Program** into its operations, which helped families affected by COVID. Bexar County was #1 in the State in Property Tax Assistance, Families Served, and Utility Assistance. We were also #2 in mortgage assistance. Assistance. We

were also #2 in

mortgage assistance.



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