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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Lecture: 'Map Collecting' by Larry Holtzman

When: 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26 Where: Brownsville heritage Museum, 1325 E. Washington St. Admission: Free and open to the public For more information: Call (956) 541-5560

In his lecture, Holtzman will discuss how he began collecting and the importance of maps. A portion of his collection entitles "Mapping the Development of Brownsville," is currently on display at the BHM. The exhibit displays an array of maps from early settlements of Brownsville to modern times, illustrating not only the growth of our city but the evolution of map making and geographical accuracy. Exhibit runs through Sept. 9. The exhibit is available to visitors during its display with paid museum admission.

Lunada Artisans' Market

When: 6-10 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26 Where: Linear Park E. 6th and E. Ringgold Streets Admission: Free and open to the public For more information: Call (956) 655-1065

There will be entertainment, glass garden art, Mexican curios, wood furniture, plants, jewelry, vintage collectibles, Mexican and Peruvian clothing, glass art, rustic arte, bottle art, food and much more. Lawn seating bring own lawn chairs or blankets.

Summer Safari **Camps and Classes**

When: Through August

Where: Gladys Porter Zoo, South Texas Discovery Education Center For more information: Call (956) 548-9453

What is your child doing this summer? Let your kids have fun while enhancing their skills. Summer Safari classes have been especially designed to stimulate learning and encourage conservation. Each day includes fun-filled activities such as puppet shows, games, stories, crafts, and tours. Each child will receive a certificate of completion, rewards, and mementos for participating. Breakfast, lunch and snacks are provided each class day. Each class runs for two days. Camps run all day, Monday thru Thursday with the Starlight Sleepover on Friday. The minimum age level for the week-long camps is 7, while the minimum age is 4 for the two-day, 3-hour classes.

Carnival/Kermes Fundraiser

When: 6-10 p.m. Sept. 1-3 Where: Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 1055 Military Highway For more information: Call (956) 541-8341

Our Lady of Good Counsel Church will have its annual Carnival/ Kermes. This year's theme will be "Fiestas Mexicanas." There will be food, games, live music and a raffle. All proceeds will benefit the church.

Gran Loteria de Premios

When: 8 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 10 Where: Brownsville Fire Dept. Station 8, 1855 Capt. Donald L. Foust Road Admission: \$30 For more information: Call (956) 459-1792

There will be T-Shirts and medals for the first 100. Free BBQ for participants and a live performance by Brownsville Firefighters Pipes & Drums. Proceeds will benefit Habitat for Humanity.







►THE BROWNSVILLE **MEDIEVAL KNIGHTS CHESS** CLUB meets at 6 p.m. every Friday at 2150 Paredes Line Road. For more information contact Gustavo Falcon at (956) 455-5790 or email gusfalconjr@yahoo.com. >BROWNSVILLE ANIMAL DEFENSE meets at 7 p.m. every second Friday of each month at Lotus Café on Boca Chica Boulevard. Join in and find out how unfortunate, abandoned and injured animals in our community can be helped. For more information call Tessie Sarmiento at (956) 546-7328. ►THE ROTARY CLUB OF BROWNSVILLE SUNRISE meets at 7 a.m. every Friday at the Gourmet Central at 515 W. 4th St. Call Hector Hernandez at (956) 350-8100. ► ALANON GROUP FORTALEZA Y ESPERANZA meets from 7-8:30 p.m. every Friday at San Pablo Church, 1626 Taft St. For more information call (956) 561-1892. Saturday

►THE FRENCH TABLE, an informal conversation group for those who speak or are learning

Martin Elementary School STUDENT

Itzayana Salazar

Viviana Macias

Episcopal Day School

French, meets 1 to 2 p.m. every Saturday at Luby's inside Sunrise Mall. Call (956) 550-9077.

Sunday

► POLISH AMERICAN CLUB of the Rio Grande Valley meets the second Sunday of the month in Harlingen. For more information call Gene Ksepka at (956) 838-5106.

Monday

►ACTIVE AND RETIRED FEDERAL **EMPLOYEES** ASSOC. Brownsville chapter 522 meets at 11:30 a.m. every third Monday of the month at Golden Corral Restaurant, 4555 N. Expressway. Active, retired federal employees, surviving spouses and former members are welcome. For more information call Dwight Abbott at (956) 546-1151. ►THE HEALING ROOMS OF

BROWNSVILLE meet every Monday from 7-9 p.m. at 12 MackIntosh Drive and from 1-3 p.m. every Saturday at Border Indoor Flea Market-Stall H-10 Amigoland. The Healing Rooms are an International Christian Interdenominational fellowship that believes in praying for people who are physically sick or dealing with other personal issues or needs. They are free and open to the public. For more information call (956) 459-7836.

►NORTH BROWNSVILLE ROTARY CLUB business and professional organization meets Parent: Nadia Flores

What is your favorite hobby and interest? I like to dance, watch videos and listen to music.

What do you like best about your school or class? I like all the school activities. My teacher Ms. Gomez, is the best, she teaches us a lot and is very helpful.

What is your favorite subject and why? My favorite subject

is math, because I like working with numbers. What do you want to be when you grow up? When I grow up, I would like to become a doctor so I can help sick people feel better. Who is your favorite role model, either in the community or a public figure? What is it about this person that you admire? I like Ariana Grande, because she sings beautifull.

Parents: Juan and Liliana Macias

What is your favorite hobby and interest? I like to play with my toys.

What do you like best about your school or class? | love the kitchen center.

What is your favorite subject and why? My favorite subject is computer class because it's the best.

What do you want to be when you grow up? When I grow up I would like to become a doctor.

Who is your favorite role model, either in the community or a public figure? What is it about this person that you admire? I admire my new friend, but I forgot her name. She goes to a different school.

at noon every Monday at Gourmet Central Restaurant, 515 W. 4th Street. For more information call Sandra Lopez-Langley at (956) 698-9469.

► THE BROWNSVILLE SERRA **CLUB** meets at noon the second and fourth Monday of each month. Call (956) 546-1838. OF

► ZONTA CLUB BROWNSVILLE meets at 6 p.m. the second Monday of each month. Call Rosalie Gutierrez at (956) 546-0824 or Marlys Cortinas Zapata at (956) 551-0219.

►ALANON meets from 7 to 8 p.m. every Monday at 1225 Boca Chica, call (956) 459-3764. Meetings are also held at 12:10 p.m. every Saturday at 450 Palm Blvd., call (956) 504-1720.

Tuesday

► SAINT JOSEPH ACADEMY ALUMNI MIXER will be held from 5:30-8:30 p.m. today, Aug. 29 at Texas Roadhouse, 3400 N. Expressway 77/83. Calling all Bloodhounds! Come out and visit with old friends and network with new while taking advantage of some drink specials. For more information call Marisa Campirano, Director of Alumni Affairs at (956) 542-3581 ext. 321.

► BROWNSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1972 will be having its 45th class reunion at 7 p.m. on Sept. 29 at Cobbleheads and Sept. 30 at Brownsville Events Center. Cost is \$50 per person. For more information call

Terry Galicia (956) 371-2711. ► SAN BENITO HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 1967 will be having its 50th class reunion from 4 p.m.midnight on Saturday, Oct. 14 at Fiesta Mayan, 2680 Hwy 77, next to Blue Marlin restaurant, San Benito. Cost is \$25 per person. All monies need to be paid by Sept. 15. For more information call Hilda Rodriguez at (512) 520-6778, Gloria Matamoros at (512) 520-6778 or Rachel Torres AT (630) 290-4152.

► CITIZENS AGAINST VOTER **ABUSE** meets every third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at 1175 W. Price Road. CAVA is a group of nonpartisan volunteers working on ending corruption in the electoral process of Cameron County via voter education and outreach. For more information call Mary Helen Flores at (956) 280-5965.

►WARRIORS UNITED IN **ARMS** Brownsville Veterans Group meets at 11 a.m.every first Tuesday of the month at the IBC, 1600 Ruben Torres Blvd. second floor. For more information call Jesse Huerta (956) 371-2768, Tony Garcia 459-9375 or Manuel Mares 371-2975.

≻GIRL SCOUTS BROWNSVILLE Service Unit Leaders and Assistant Troop Leaders meet at 7 p.m. every first Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 1225 Boca Chica Blvd. For more information call (956) 655-1786 or (956) 495-6142.

Creative studies abroad in China



COURTESY PHOTO

University of Texas Rio Grande Valley students participated in a month-long study abroad experience in China, where they studied photography and graphic design with Dr. Ping Xu and Dr. Robert Gilbert. Early in the trip, the group witnessed the sunrise and the sunset as they hiked along the Jinshanling section of the Great Wall of China, seen here. The group included, front row from left, Cynthia Cantu, Arael Meza, Marcela Terrazas, Michelle Mata, Eufemia Mata and Dr. Ping Xu. Standing, from left: Carissa Leal, Dianella Cantu, Christian Alvarado, Josue Campos, Dr. Robert Gilbert, Manuel Perez, Zhikynah Lamsis, Judy Garcia and Samantha Ruiz. Not pictured: Ariadny Balderas, Rebecca Bui, Aleena Romy and Annsuriya Saji.