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Salinas Scandal Sheet

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**CONGRATULATIONS TO DANIELA (NELA) NAVARRO—CO-QUEEN,
LAREDO BORDER OLYMPICS!!**



Nela, a Senior at Laredo United's Engineering & Technology Magnet School, was chosen a Co-Queen (along with Rebecca D. Romero) of the Laredo Border Olympics for 2014! Nela, daughter of Kathy & Orli Navarro, performs w/the varsity choir, participates in UIL One-Act Plays, & volunteers as a Class Officer for the Class of 2014! Upon graduation, she intends to attend UTSA in San Antonio in hopes of becoming an orthodontist! Congratulations, Daniela!! Nela is the granddaughter of Norma & Carl (dec'd) Hagy & Cenobio & Molly (dec'd) Navarro.



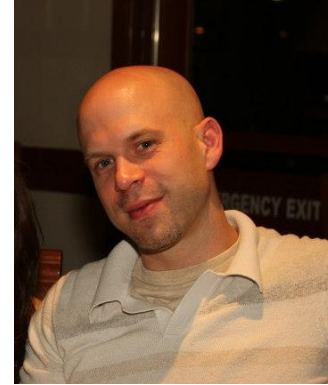
Congratulations, also, to Jessica (Swisher) Diez Barroso, who is featured on a recent cover of Rio Magazine, the Laredo edition! Jessica is a certified Zumba instructor in Laredo, as well as a well-known artist & interior decorator. She & her husband, Ramon, are the parents of son Ramoncito & daughter, Juliana. Jessica is the daughter of Bill Swisher (dec'd) and Rosamaria, who is very proud of her daughter!



You wouldn't know it to look at him, because he's so quiet & unassuming, but Jason Sliva (son of Beverly & Richard Hagy), earned a Combat Infantryman Badge AND an Expert Infantryman Badge while w/the U.S. Army in Afghanistan(2x), & Iraq(3x), proving he's one tough hombre! Jason is now working towards a degree in History at TAMU, Laredo!



(All this came to mind because I saw this badge on FB!)



Visiting their grandparents June & Don Graesser in College Station were Lex & Rye Williams. A plus was seeing cousins Matthew & Rachel Wright, who were also in town! The boys' & parents, Dana Graesser & Jonathan Williams, live in Hanover, Germany, where Jonathan works for Schlumberger!



Another trip coming up?

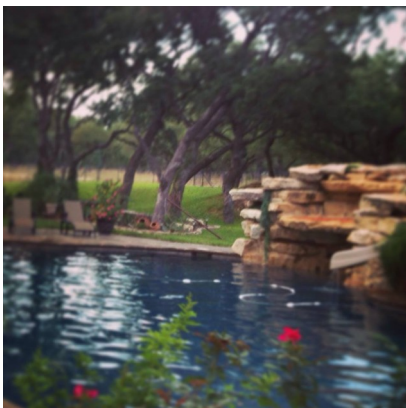


In 2013, Steve & Janet Patty visited Rome, Naples, Pompeii, Athens, Istanbul & even Ephesus! ... far, far away from Madison, Alabama!

No, Moms were definitely NOT invited to a recent Daughter-Daddy dance at the Lost Mission venue in Spring Branch! Ms. Elise Ridgley was proudly escorted by dad, Tedsan, & had a wonderful time! Sponsoring the dance was the SB Middle School Silver Stars Dance Team, Comal ISD. What a good dad!

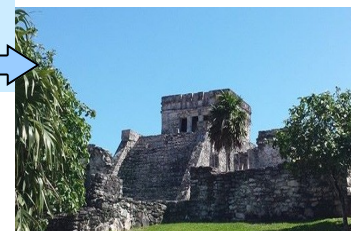


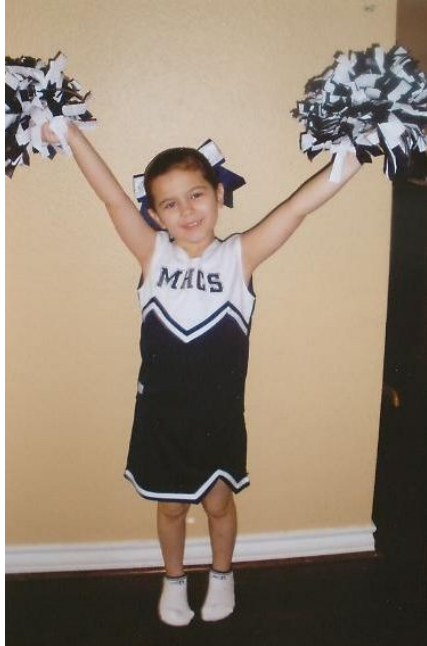
..and visiting Alabama were Gonzalo & Susy Farias & family, plus nephew Drake De Wall!



While Christi & Michael Kalmbach were at the Maya ruins in Tulum, MX (Guess it was safe??),

Debbie & James Swisher were in Maine, Vermont, New Hampshireoh, wait, that's the Langford's pool! Well, they were there, too!





RAH, RAH for the younger set! Victoria Landis (minus shoes because Dad Robert was polishing them), was all set to perform for the Mary Help of Christian's school Pep Squad at the Washington's Birthday Youth Dance Festival in Laredo! Way to go, Victoria!!



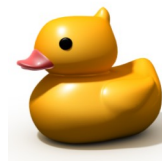
Over in Houston, Riley Fox, in front of her Valentine's Day pin-up board, was proud to have grandparents Shawn & Ed Langford visit for Grandparents' Day at her school!



Another new little one is Neal Shah, in Huntsville, Alabama, who is obviously Daddy's Little Sidekick! Does that mean he'll grow up to be a doctor, like mom & dad (Heather & Rocky), too?



.And wasn't Noah Druker born just yesterday? He's already sitting up & looking so big! Time sure does fly! He'll soon be chasing cousin Robert Landis around! Robert is wearing his new Elmo P.J's, a gift from Grandma Evelyn, who's in Laredo & away from that COLD N. Dakota weather!!



And here's yet another Landis baby, Ms. Sophie, who (as per Grandma, Evelyn) is looking after her investments online! Parents Phil & Melissa must set a good example!



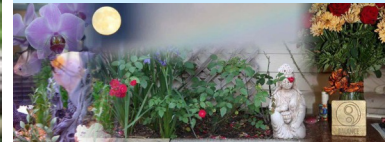
Little Amelie Galli can't help looking adorable! That cute dress helps, too!





It's so good to see all the Ramirez siblings!

Dr. Peter, Norma Salinas, Irene Trevino, Rosi McKendrick, Lupita Cruz, & Rebeca Eigen....all grew up in Laredo, but now live there, San Antonio or Houston!



Here are Linda & Carlos Farias, some years ago! What a great photo! Carlos passed away in 2008 & is greatly missed by all his family! That's Dr. Carlos L. Farias (son, a Plastic Surgeon—in blue shirt), & his sisters Cecilia Thomas & Leticia Clabaugh w/ husbands, Steve & Clayton, & children). Everyone is scattered from St. Louis to Austin to Colorado Springs! (Linda lives in Austin).



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The Twins w/little brother, Guillermo, who passed away on May 24, 2008.

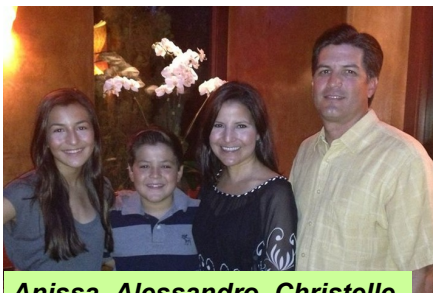
We fondly remember "Los Cuates," the Twins, Carlos & Felipe Farias, who passed away on Feb. 9, 2008 & Feb. 12, 2008, respectively!



Laura



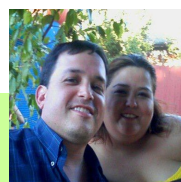
Ricardo & Marichay Farias



Anissa, Alessandro, Christelle & Felipe Farias, Jr.



Eduardo & Christina Farias



"Memo"s kids, Sophia, Fabian, grandson Liam, Olivia, & Sara





SO FAR, SO GOOD! Earlier this month, my granddaughter Cassie Reddam bowled a "turkey" (3 strikes in a row)! And last weekend mom, Lisa, took Cassie & her boyfriend Cannon, to hear a favorite band at the SA Stock Show! (Lucky Cassie; Thank you, Mom)



So very glad that recent surgery undergone by Mrs. Rosemary Swisher in SA was successful! A very speedy recovery, dear Rosemary!



Rosemary's granddaughters, Michelle Swisher & Jessica Campbell, had other good news, too. They were voted Most Spirited Volunteer & Ms. Miles of Smiles, respectively, at Communicare Health Centers in SA, where they both work!



So glad, too, that Diana & Hector Farias are both finally doing better, after several months of ill health! (Okay, so this picture was taken when they were first engaged, but didn't they look great? Both SO good looking & in perfect health!)

Another Hector Farias is grandson, Hector, here with Karis Martinez at the Martha Washington Presentation Ball in December.



Hector's mom & dad, Susy & Gonzalo (right) along w/ Susy's brother, Leo, his wife Bibi, & Aunt Olvido Flores, have a nice visit at a recent event!

