Washington's Birthday Celebration Association





2026 CALENDAR



IGNC Abrazo Reception*

Saturday, January 10, 2026 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.l Laredo Country Club 1415 Country Club Dr. | Invitation only | Cocktail attirelEst: 1961

Commander's Reception Hosted by Falcon Bank

Thursday, January 15, 2026
7:00 p.m. |Sames Auto Arena | Invitation or Media credentials required | Casual attire
Est: 1979 | In-kind Sponsors: Sames Auto Arena & Doctors Hospital

Diocese of Laredo - St. Augustine High School Knights 98th Anniversary Gala*

Friday, January 23, 2026
7:30 p.m. | The Laredo Country Club
\$150 per person | \$1,500+ Table of 10 - For Information
call 956-724-8131
Entertainment: E7 Band of San Antonio
Cocktail Attire | Est: 2018

Boys & Girls Clubs of Laredo 28th Annual C.Y. Benavides III Wine Tasting Gala*

Saturday, January 31, 2026 6:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m. | Laredo Country Club For tickets please call (956)242-4912 or email: info@bgclaredo.com Entertainment Theme: A Night at Studio 54 | Black Tie| Est: 1995

Noche de Cabaret - LULAC Council #7*

Higher Education Award Honoree: Mindy Casso KGNS News Anchor Saturday, January 31, 2026 7:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m. | Casa Blanca Event Center - Ballroom |

\$40 per person | Table of 8: \$320 | BYOB & Food Platter | Entertainment: Calle 8

(For ticket information, please contact:

Joe Gonzalez 956-949-7685) | Cocktail attire | Est: 1996

WBCA Red, White and BBQ Sponsored by H-E-B

Friday & Saturday January 30-31, 2026 Friday Set up | Saturday 8am- 6pm 1848 Event Center (Off US HWY 59) FREE Admission/ Casual attire| Est: 2023

WBCA Membership BBQ

Sunday, February 1, 2026

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5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Location: 1848 Event Center (Off US HWY 59) Members: No Fee Non-Members: \$35 per person WBCA membership or Media credentials required.

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H-E-B Fireworks Extravaganza

2 p.m. - 10 p.m. Tailgate & LIVE Music 8:00 p.m. Fireworks & Drone Show Drone Show Co-Sponsored by Laredo Federal Credit Union | Location: 1848 Event Center (Off US HWY 59) FREE Admission/ Casual attire | Est: 1898

WBCA George Washington Theatre Performance

Wednesday - Thursday February 4 - 5, 2026

TAMIU FPA Recital Hall

Two shows per day - 10am | 1pm FREE Admission |

Casual Attire | Sponsored by: Castellano & Carpenter

Dental Associates PC

A Night Cap With Martha & George Sponsored by Esperanza Homes

Wednesday February 4, 2026 Location: Laredo Little Theatre - 4802 Thomas Ave. Doors Open at 7:00 p.m. Shows Start at 7:30 p.m \$15 Per Person For Ticket Information visit wbcalaredo.org

Cocktail Attire | Sponsored by: Esperanza Homes Laredo. Additional Sponsor: Castellano & Carpenter Dental Associates PC

WBCA Jalapeño Festival Sponsored by La Costeña

Friday February 6, 2026
Location: Sames Auto Arena
GA: Single Day Pass \$50 | 2 Day pass \$90
La Costeña Hot Spot \$125 per person Tables of 8 \$1,500 |
Lounge Private Area (Cocktail Table of 4) \$1,000 per table | Friday: 6 p.m. - 1 a.m.
Entertainment: Caifanes & Enanitos Verdes
Additional Sponsors: South Texas Ford Dealers, Whataburger, Trois Enterprises, Acme Empolyment SitePro
Rentals and Ron Hoover RV & Marine Centers of Laredo,
& Modern Construction,
In-kind Sponsors: Z-93/Big Buck 98.1, &
Dominos Pizzal jalapenofestival.org
Casual attire | Est. 1978

WBCA Jalapeño Festival Sponsored by La Costeña Saturday, February 7, 2026

Dominos Pizzal jalapenofestival.org

Casual attire | Est. 1978

Location: Sames Auto Arena
GA: Single Day Pass \$50 | 2 Day pass \$90
La Costeña Hot Spot \$125 per person | Tables of 8 \$1,500 |
Lounge Private Area (Cocktail Table of 4) \$1,000 per tableSaturday: 3 p.m. - 1 a.m.
Entertainment: Banda MS & La FIrma
Additional Sponsors: South Texas Ford Dealers, Whataburger,
Trois Enterprises, Acme Empolyment SitePro Rentals and Ron
Hoover RV & Marine Centers of Laredo, & Modern Construction,
In-kind Sponsors: Z-93/Big Buck 98.1, &

Laredo Association of Realtors Run George Run 5K Run, Walk & LMC Wellness Fair*

Saturday, February 7, 2026 Location: Laredo Medical Center, 1700 E. Saunders Street Registration 6:30 a.m. Sports attire | Est: 1989 Sponsored by: Laredo Medical Center

WBCA Carnival Sponsored by McDonald's of Laredo

February 12 – 23, 2026 Thurs. Feb. 12th: GRAND OPENING Doors Open at 5PM - McDollar Day- Rides \$1 P-O-P Days: \$30

McMonday February 16, 2026: P-O-P Day \$20.

For complete schedule & promotions, visit: wbcacarnival.org. Admission: \$2 | \$8 Pre-sale discount ticket sheets (18 tickets) - Available online & at WBCA ticket kiosk at Mall Del Norte- Valid dates for discount tickets Feb. 16-19 ONLY | Est: 1966|

Comedy Jam For George

Friday, February 13, 2026 Location: Laredo Little Theatre - 4802 Thomas Ave. Time: 7:00 p.m. & 10:00 p.m. (2 Shows) Pre Sale \$40 and \$40 per person day of event. Casual attire | Est: 2004 laredolittletheatre.org

WBCA Pipes & Stripes Car Show Sponsored by VitalMed Urgent Care

Saturday, February 14, 2026 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. FREE Spectator Admission | \$25 Per Car Entry |El Metro Park & Ride | Casual attire | Est: 2015

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Princess Pocahontas Pageant and Ball*

Saturday, February 14, 2026

Pageant: \$75 per person | Location: Laredo College Guadalupe and Lilia Martinez Fine Arts Center Theater -

begins promptly at 7:00 p.m.

Ball: \$65 per person | Location: Altezza Events 5430 Riverside Drive (immediately follows Pageant)

Formal attire required | Est: 1980

WBCA Stars & Stripes Air Show Spectacular Sponsored by Miller Lite

Sunday, February 15, 2026 | 11:00 a.m.
Laredo International Airport (Maher entrance)
\$20 General Admission • 12 yrs. & under FREE
**Afterburner Club Sponsored by Falcon Bank:
Pre-Sale: (GA included) - \$100 per person (Any Age) |
Table of 10 - \$1000|

Regular Price: (GA Not Included)

(Area includes Complimentary Food, Complimentary Non-Alcoholic Beverages, Complimentary Beer & Access to comfort stations.)

**Flight Line Sponsored by Charlie Clark Hyundai: Pre-Sale \$40 -*GA Included*

\$40 at gate - GA NOT Included.

(Area includes Complimentary Pizza; Complimentary Non-Alcoholic Beverages & Access to comfort stations.)
Additional Sponsor: Falcon Bank;

In-Kind Sponsors: Ron Hoover RV & Marine Centers of Laredo, Reliant NRG and Dominos Pizza| thewbcaairshow.org Casual attire| Est: 1998

WBCA Carnival Sponsored by McDonald's of Laredo: McMonday

February 16, 2026 (Gates open at 2:00 p.m.)
FREE Gate Entry w/ McDonald's Receipt |
Sames Auto Arena (Parking Lot) |\$2 Admission (without McDonald's receipt)| P.O.P. Wristbands \$20 12pm -4pm: 4pm-8pm | Advance sale tickets sheets valid. |Est: 1966| For complete schedule & promotions, visit wbcacarnival. org

IBC/Commerce Bank Youth Parade Under the Stars

Thursday, February 19, 2026 6:00 p.m. | South on San Bernardo Additional Sponsor: Rodeo Dental FREE general seating | Casual attire | Est: 1972

WBCA/La Posada Hotel Welcome Luncheon*

Honoree: Gabriel Castillo, Order of Red Men Spirit Award Friday, February 20, 2026
1:00 p.m. Coacktail Hour / Mixer with Appetizers
(Downstairs) | 2:00 p.m. Late Lunched Served
La Posada Hotel - San Agustin Ballroom / Invitation or
Media credentials required / Business attire | Est: 1996
Sponsored by La Posada Hotel

Juegos de Amistad by the Boys & Girls Clubs of Laredo and the Consulate General of Mexico

Friday, February 20, 2026 Time: 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

FREE Admission

Location: Benavides Boys and Girls Club of Laredo (500

Moctezuma) Est: 2021

Caballeros Cocktail Party*

Friday, February 20, 2026 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Location: Paseo Real - 2335 Endeavor Drive \$50 Per Person | Formal Attire| Est. 1961

Society of Martha Washington Colonial Pageant & Ball*

Friday, February 20, 2026
Location: Sames Auto Arena
Pageant: begins promptly at 8:00 p.m.
Ball: immediately follows the Pageant
Pageant Only: \$50

Pageant & Ball: \$200 per person **Limited Seating

Formal attire | Est: 1939

WBCA/IGNC International Bridge Ceremony Sponsored by Fasken Oil & Ranch

Saturday, February 21, 2026
7:30 a.m. | Juarez-Lincoln Bridge
Invitation or Media credentials required
Business attire | Est: 1961

Budweiser Washington's Birthday Parade – Celebrating 150 years of Budweiser!

Saturday, February 21, 2026 | 9:00 a.m.
South on San Bernardo | FREE general seating Casual attire | Est: 1898 Additional Sponsor: Person, Mohrer, Morales, Boddy, Garcia, Gutierrez, PLLC (PMBG).

Mr. South Texas Luncheon Hosted by Texas Community Bank

Honoree: United States Senator Ted Cruz Saturday, February 21, 2026 | 12:00 p.m. Laredo Country Club|\$175 per person |\$1,750 table of 10| Business attire | Est: 1952

Noche Mexicana: A Presentation of Señor y Señora Internacional - LULAC Council #12*

Saturday, February 21, 2026 6:30 p.m. | Paseo Real Honorees:

Señora Internacional USA: Anna Benavides Galo Señora Internacional Mexico: Carmen Lilia

Canturosas Villarreal

\$1000 table of 8 | \$125 single ticket

Black tiel Est: 1925

1era Carrera Binacional Transfronteriza "Bernardo Reyes - Tomás Sánchez"

Sunday, February 22, 2026 10K/5K Adults Race - 1K Children's Race Start times are 8:00 a.m. for the 10K and 5K races, 9:30 a.m. for the 1 km children's race.

Registration fees are \$15 for the 10K and 5K races, and \$10 for the children's race.

Est: 2026

WBCA President's Cup Golf Tournament Sponsored by Vantage Bank

Friday, February 27, 2026 Laredo Country Club | 1415 Country Club Dr. Open to all ages | Casual attire | Est: 2019| Register at wbcalaredo.org | \$200 entry fee. Additonal Sponsors Include:

Laredo College Family Fun Fest and Musicale*

Saturday, February 28, 2026 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.|Laredo College campus -West End Washington Street Entertainment: LC Musicale Free admission| Casual attire | Est: 1988