

Palacios, Texas

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The Palacios Science & Spanish Club is like a club within a club at the Boys & Girls Club. Student members meet on Tuesdays from 5:30pm-6:30 pm and are comprised of mostly 4th-6th grade students.

The year began with the Matagorda Beach Adopt-A-Beach Cleanup along with our sister club from El Campo in September. Other SSCs at this event included Port Lavaca, Tidehaven, Edna and Bay City. Together we were 185 volunteers who helped to set a record for total number of volunteers for this cleanup site.

Our project for the year was to develop a strategy to conduct coastal environmental outreach to the local Vietnamese community. We began this process by drafting a new sign for the front of the Eastside Elementary Annex Building where the Boys & Girls Club operates Monday through Friday. We also used the Tres Palacios Watershed Stream Team as a theme in the sign design. Students spent weeks going through the design process. Once the BGC board of directors approves the design, a real sign will be made.



We also used the Asian culture to create another outreach product called the River Dragon, a 24 foot long sheer fabric, died blue with attached fish, birds and other marine critters made of felt material. This river dragon was made in cooperation with the Aransas Pass High School SSC and Art Club for the annual Valentine's Day Parade in Palacios. In addition, this river dragon was used in other SSCN parades in Aransas Pass and Port Isabel.

2006 Boys & Girls Club of America National Dragonfly Quest Science Fair Competition winner Environmental Science



Palacios also went to the very first Earth Week Celebration at the Matagorda Nature Birding Center in Bay City on April 26, 2008. Here we displayed the trilingual list of top coastal issues according to the Matagorda County



Environmental Health Department. This county government agency has been a working partner with the Tres Palacios Watershed Stream Team for three years addressing such issues as illegal dumping, septic system permitting, recycling, reducing, reusing and outdoor burning.

