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SHS grad's death ruled suicide

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COLLIN COUNTY -

killed herself.

of death was a suicide deliberate plan by Woo to through overdose," the harm her three children." The Collin County Medical Frisco Police Department Examiner's Office said the said in a Thursday press 39, was found in her 2011 1994 Seguin High School release. "The investiga- Honda Pilot at about 6:30 graduate found dead after tion, completed by the p.m. March 31 at a Target being reported missing Frisco Police Department's parking lot in the 8900 with her three children Criminal Investigations block of State Highway 121

Division (CID), demon- in McKinney, with her three husband, Brandon Woo, news of Christine's death.

who were unharmed.

vehicle and were transported to a nearby hospital for evaluation," police said.

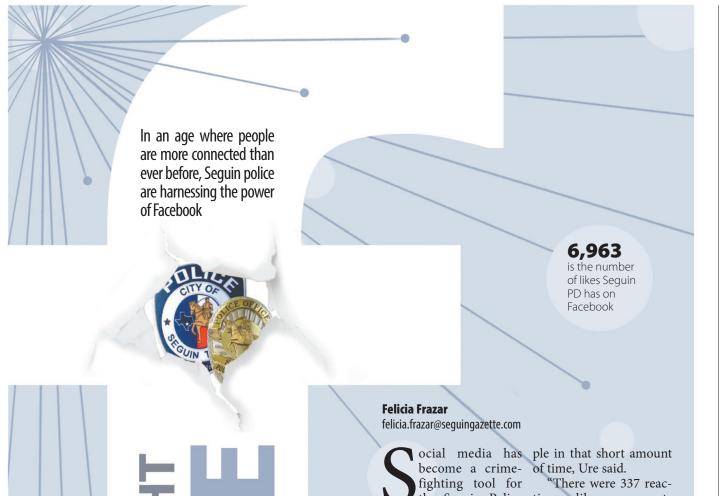
"Christine Woo's cause strates that there was no children - ages 5, 3 and 1 reported her missing on March 29 — a day after ing," she said. "It's like a bad "All three children were she was last seen alive -Police said Christine, found alive inside of the believing there was a man- Frisco Police Department's datory 24 hour wait period. post when her cousin put it

> Martinez, who is a for-According to The Dallas mer classmate and friend, Morning News, Chistine's said she was sadden by the

"It has just been shockmovie. I saw it initially on the

Seguin resident Marla out on Facebook, and I was just in shock."

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Suspect reports to Seguin PD

Alleged Mexican Mafia member in custody after week on the lam

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Authorities say another suspected Mexican Mafia member is in federal custody after turning himself in on Thursday.

Gary "Big John" Ortiz, 30, was detained by the Seguin Police Department after being on the lam nearly a week, Police Chief Kevin Kelso said.

"He knew that we were looking for him, and instead of drawing out the inevitable, he called us and we were able to arrest him without incident," Kelso said.

After detaining Ortiz on a federal war-

4.4 out of 5 is SPD's rating on Facebook NEW WAY

Department.

burglar taking a delivered he said. package off a porch.

Chief Bruce Ure said.

"We posted the video on Facebook, and in a Department has had a matter of three hours, social media site, but it we began getting flooded has been under utilized with tips," he said. "We over the years," he said. were able to identify him and interview the suspect I thought it would be a in a matter of hours." The department's post

reached nearly 8,000 peo-

the Seguin Police tions, likes comments and shares and 4,000 Recently, the depart- video view - 4,000 peoment posted a video of a ple watched our video,"

Not long after being Not long after, the hired as the deputy chief, department had iden- Ure took on the unoftified the suspect, all ficial role of chief facethanks to Facebook, book officer, and began Seguin Police Deputy revamping the department's social media site.

"The Seguin Police "Chief (Kevin) Kelso and great idea to start using

FACEBOOK - 5A

City staff develops Street Improvement Plan

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Knowing how some residents feel about current road developing a plan, they say drainage and utility network in Seguin.

"What we have here is a draft of the street maintenance

plan that we have been working on for several months," city engineer Joe Ramos said. "If you recall, we were working under the assumpconditions, city staff has been tion that we would be issuing Certificates of Obligations in will help improve the streets, the amount of \$5 million per year, for the next five years. So, what we did is we took some of what we previously

some numbers to the actual the city of Seguin which are cost."

During Tuesday's meeting, Ramos presented city council with the Street Improvement Plan and Schedule that includes up to \$25 million of infrastructure improvements over the next five years.

"The Street improvement plan is a comprehensive presented to council and put review of roadways within

in a range of conditions," city engineering associate Michael Sharp said. "As part of the review process drainage, roadway width and utilities are reviewed to determine what improvements are needed and to assess the projected cost for repair, resurfacing or

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rant, he was taken to San Antonio and placed into the U.S. Marshal Service's custody, Kelso said.

This recent arrest brings the total up to 16 suspected Mexican Mafia members arrested as part of a large round up that begin early Friday, April 15.

Nearly 150 law enforcement officers went to a dozen residents in and around Seguin, New Braunfels, San Antonio and Houston searching for the suspects, arresting 15 on state and federal charges.

CUSTODY - 8A

Candidates seek MISD board seats

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Two incumbents are facing a pair of challengers on the Marion School Board.

K.L. "Bubba" Kunde, is ending his first full three-year term, and J.C. Batey is finishing up the unexpired term left by Marir Paiz, while Mary Shmidt and Troy Arambula are ready to get in on the action.

Kunde is a Seguin native, who graduated from Marion High School in 1992. After completing his doctorate of Veterinary Medicine from Texas A&M University in 1999, graduating

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Obituaries & Death Notices

The obituaries and death notices are on page 6A of today's edition and include Monica Gabriella Gallegos, 28; Robert Fulton Layton Jr., 63; John Claude Jones, 74; Alex Mata, 85; and Janie C. Bailey, 87.





