

Andy Sommerman Dallas County Commissioner District 2 Newsletter



SPECIAL EDITION

On March 21st I hosted an Open House with the Elections department. Dallas County Elections Administrator Heider Garica along with his team were present at the Open House to give an overview on voting procedures and show how the election equipment works.



Constituents from diverse backgrounds were present at the Open House and we had an engaging conversation on how voting equipment works, the importance of voter registration, and ballot casting procedures. The Open House provided a platform for attendees to ask questions, share their voting experiences, participate in meaningful discussions about elections, and fostered a sense of empowerment among participants to exercise their democratic rights effectively.

LUNAR NEW YEAR

ON FEBRUARY 6TH, I PRESENTED A LUNAR NEW YEAR RESOLUTION TO THE COMMISSIONERS COURT. LUNAR NEW YEAR IS WIDELY CELEBRATED IN EAST AND SOUTHEAST ASIA AND BY MILLIONS OF ASIAN-AMERICANS IN THE UNITED STATES.



IT IS CELEBRATED THROUGH ACTIVITIES SUCH AS THE LION AND DRAGON DANCE, TEMPLE FAIRS, LANTERN FESTIVALS, AND FAMILY REUNION DINNER ON LUNAR NEW YEAR'S EVE KNOWN AS NIAN YE FAN.



DALLAS COUNTY IS PROUDLY HOME TO THE SECOND LARGEST ASIAN-AMERICAN POPULATION IN TEXAS WITH 192,132 RESIDENTS. THEY HAVE SHAPED THE METROPLEX INTO THE NO. 2 BEST PLACE IN THE NATION FOR ASIAN-AMERICAN ENTREPRENEURS TO START THEIR OWN BUSINESS WITH OVER 19,000 AMERICAN-OWNED BUSINESSES IN DFW.

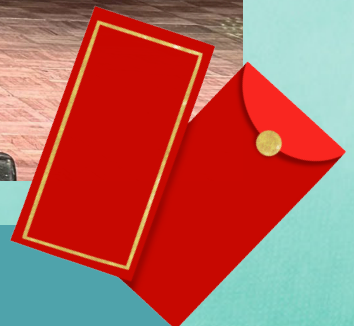
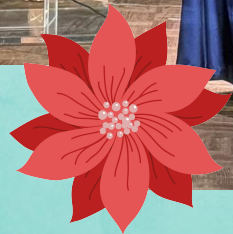
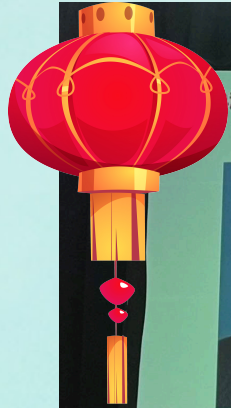
On February 24, my team and I planted trees at Orbiter Park. Through this event we were able to make a positive impact on our environment and take a step forward to create a sustainable and better environment for our residents.



PLANT A TREE



On Sunday, February 25, the Greater Taiwanese Chamber of Commerce hosted its annual Lunar New Year Charity Gala. My amazing wife, Rachel, stepped in for me and gave a fabulous speech.



**TAIWANESE CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE
LUNAR NEW YEAR CHARITY GALA**

Events Around District 2



**Black History Month
Presentation 2/18**



**TX Conference of Urban
Counties Education & Policy
2/15**



**MLK Center Tour
3/22**

Events Around District 2



Investiture of Irma Carrillo-Ramirez
3/27

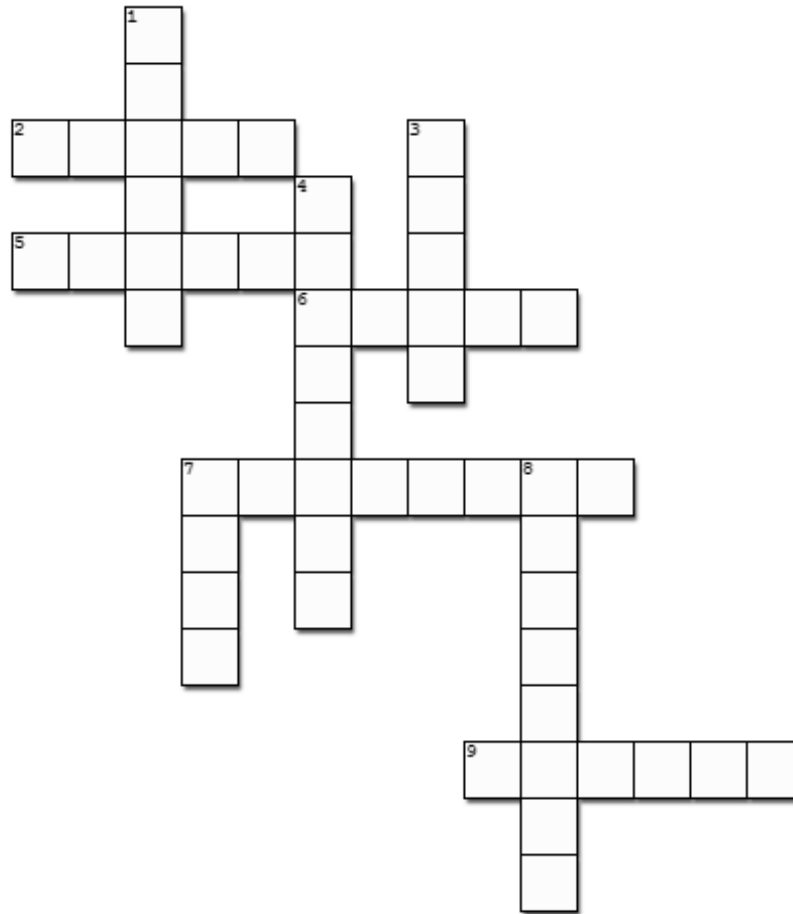
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Dallas Bar Association; **Alicia
Hernandez**, Exec. Director,
Dallas Bar Association; **Adam
Ramirez**; **Hon. Irma
Carrillo-Ramirez**; **Hon.
Teresa Guerra Snelson**;
Elizabeth Philipp, Exec.
Director Dallas Bar
Foundation; **Vicki Blanton**,
President - Elect Dallas Bar
Association, AT&T

Left to Right: Quinn Kelly;
Hon. Teresa Guerra Snelson;
Hon. Delia Gonzales, Dallas
County Child Protection &
Permanency Court



*DC Child Abuse
Prevention Coalition
Awareness 4/4*

CROSS WORD



Across

2. An organ that pumps blood for your body
5. _____ Washington was the 1st president of America
6. _____ History Month
7. Happens every 4 years (2 words)
9. Zodiac sign that dates Feb. 20 - March 20

Down

1. In the Lunar New Year calendar, it is the year of the _____
3. _____ New Year was celebrated this year on Feb. 10th
4. Second month of the year
7. Opposite of hate
8. Zodiac sign that dates Jan. 22 - Feb. 19

ZODIAC: REFERS TO ONE OF 12 SPECIFIC CONSTELLATIONS OF THE ZODIAC THAT THE SUN PASSES THROUGH. A PERSON'S PARTICULAR SIGN OF THE ZODIAC IS THE ONE THAT THE SUN WAS IN WHEN THEY WERE BORN.

**ANSWERS ON
PAGE 10!!**

WORD SEARCH

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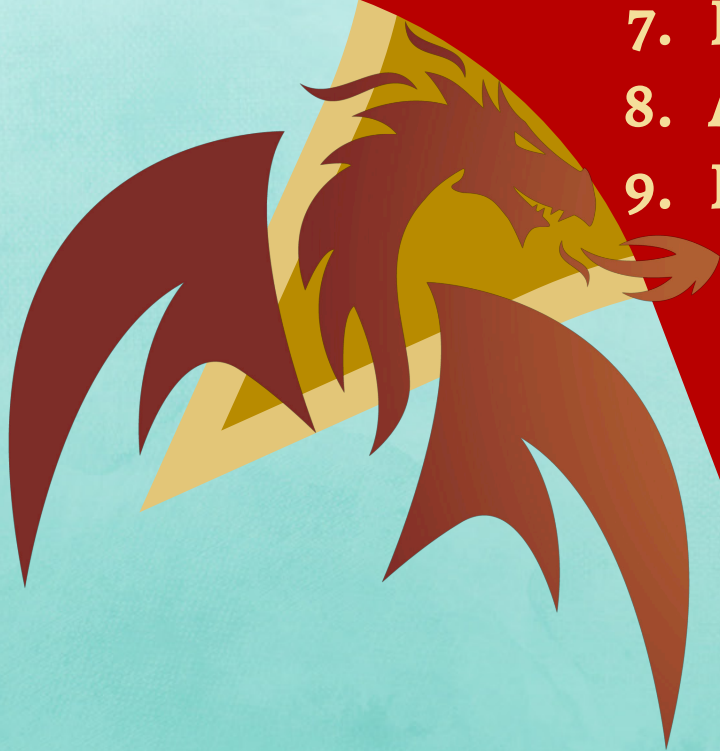
FEBRUARY
RAMADAN
EASTER
PRESIDENTS DAY

MARCH
OPEN HOUSE
ST PATRICKS DAY
SPRING BREAK

LUNAR NEW YEAR
ELECTIONS
VALENTINES DAY

CROSSWORD ANSWERS

1. DRAGON
2. HEART
3. LUNAR
4. FEBURARY
5. GEORGE
6. BLACK
7. LEAP YEAR
8. AQUARIUS
9. PISCES





Have Great News in District 2 to add to the newsletter? Would you like Commissioner Sommerman to attend your next neighborhood meeting? Contact us at District2Office@dallascounty.org

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Upcoming Events:

JACKSON ST. GARAGE RIBBON CUTTING - MAY 1ST



COMMISSIONERS COURT - MAY 7TH AT 9 AM



**HHS EVENT - SENIOR EXPO AT REVERCHON
PARK RECREATION CENTER ON FRIDAY, MAY 17TH
FROM 10 AM – 1 PM.**

