



Capitol Update

District 133 Newsletter

"Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."



Dear Friends,

Time to cool down and fall back! Texas temperatures are starting to drop and daylight saving time is upon us. Don't forget to turn your clocks back on Sunday, November 2nd. Make sure to get out, enjoy the weather, and don't forget to vote! Election day is November 4th; for local, state, and national elections. Be sure to check out [Move Texas Forward](#) for more information on Prop 1. For more details on finding your polling place, requirements, and early voting, click [here](#).

Last week, as Co-Chairman of the Joint Interim Committee to Study Education for a Skilled Workforce we met and discussed counseling, apprenticeships, employer-based training, and other innovative ways to improve our secondary education. To follow along, click [here](#).

As always, we encourage you to stop by our Capitol office if you find yourself in Austin! If you call in advance of your trip, our staff can set up special tours and help you plan your visit. Contact [Molly](#) and she will be happy to assist you. For an

inside view of what's going on around town, please like our [Facebook](#) page and follow us on [Twitter](#) for continuous updates. Have a great Halloween!

Happy Halloween!

Halloween is around the corner. We want all of our princesses, batmen, ghosts and pirates safe during this festive holiday. Here are some suggestions from the [Houston Police Department](#) for a safe evening-

- Turn on exterior lights to welcome trick-or-treaters.
- Remove toys and other trip hazards from sidewalks and yards.
- Have your Neighborhood Watch or citizen's group assist in patrolling the neighborhood.
- Ask for parents and volunteers to act as crossing guards.
- If you operate a motor vehicle, drive slowly and be observant for children.
- Immediately report suspicious activity or criminal activity to police.

Important Voting Dates

Early Voting:
Monday, 10/20– Friday, 10/31

Last Day to Apply for Ballot by Mail:
(Must be received on) Friday, 10/24

Election Day: Tuesday, 11/4
Click [here](#) to see a Harris County sample ballot.

Holiday Ornament Contest

The deadline for your ornament to be considered for the House Chamber Christmas Tree has passed, and the winner of 3rd Annual Ornament Decorating Contest will be announced soon! Our 2014 theme is **"Dreaming of a Buffalo Bayou Christmas."** All ornaments that have been received will be on the Memorial City Mall Christmas tree. The Tree Lighting will be on November 15th. Please contact our District Director, [Deanna Harrington](#), with any questions.

West Houston

Jeen Leadership Summit

The conference is coming up on November 22nd. We are still accepting Community Delegate Nominations. If you know a high school sophomore or junior who resides in District 133 and wants to participate, please send an email requesting a Nomination Form to [Eiman Siddiqui](#), our District Assistant, or call the District Office at 713-465-8800.

Need a Speaker?

As always, Representative Murphy loves meeting folks and is happy to visit your church, business meeting, club, or civic group.

Please email [Deanna Harrington](#), our District Director, if you are interested in setting up an event.

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