

Texas Representative Roberto R. Alonzo's

Capitol Report



"In honor of those women and men who paved the way for us, and with great expectations for those to follow, we must continue the righteous cause of making America what it should be -- a Nation that is more just and more equal for all its people,"

-Representative Alonzo

TADJ Pres. Smith and Rep. Alonzo meet to discuss legislative issues

Rep. Alonzo recently met with Judge Craig Smith to discuss current issues affecting Dallas County and surrounding North Texas areas. Judge Smith, who presides over the 192nd Civil District Court in Dallas, also moonlights as the President of the Texas Association of District Judges. The officials discussed topics such as judicial system restructuring, higher education policy, and redistricting.

Judge Smith also took time to meet with legislative interns during his Capitol visit. He offered words of advice and encouragement to the staffers as they assist legislators during the ongoing session.

TADJ, Judge Smith, and Rep. Alonzo are enthusiastic about collaborating this session. They are hopeful that together they can bring positive change to the Dallas area and North Texas region.



(From Left to Right: Rep. Alonzo with Judge Craig Smith, President, Texas Association of District Judges)

Adopt-A-Beach Contest

The 17th Annual Treasures of the Texas Coast Children's Art Contest is fast approaching. Students have an opportunity to submit art work based on the theme "Treasures of the Texas Coast" and should depict why the Texas coast is important or special to the student. All Texas students (public, private, and home-schooled) in grades K-6 are invited to participate in this contest. All entries must have a completed parental release form affixed to the back of the artwork. Use a clear glue stick or tape the form. Do not staple or paper clip the form as it damages the artwork. All submissions must be postmarked by Monday, March 4th, 2013 and mailed to the Texas General Land Office. Late submissions will not be accepted. For more information regarding Adopt-A-Beach visit their website at <http://www.glo.texas.gov/adopt-a-beach/index.html>.

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