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## Gasolina impulsa la inflación

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**Washington** — El encarecimiento de gasolina hizo que el mes pasado aumentara la inflación en los precios al por mayor en Estados Unidos, como también el costo de los automóviles y los muebles.

Los precios de los alimentos bajaron el mes pasado tras experimentar en febrero la mayor subida en 36 años debido a las duras condiciones climatológicas que encarecieron las hortalizas. El precio de los huevos bajó un 20%.

El factor más importante en el aumento de la inflación al por mayor fue el encarecimiento de la energía. El precio de la gasolina subió un 5,7% en marzo. El promedio nacional por galón de gasolina superó el jueves los 3,81 dólares y es ahora 0,25 centavos más caro que hace un mes, según la asociación de conductores AAA.



CHERYL DIAZ MEYER/AP

E.J. y Wanda Hooker, de Sachse, optaron por acudir a a H&R Block para preparar su declaración de impuestos.

# Se agota tiempo para declarar los impuestos

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**CITY OF DALLAS**

**Rubicación de Distritos de 2011 Audiencias Públicas**  
 La Comisión de Rubricación de Distritos de 2011 abre las siguientes audiencias públicas para solicitar comentarios de los residentes sobre los planes de la Rubricación de Distritos.

FECHA	TIEMPO	UBICACIÓN	PRESENTADO PARA
Martes, Abril 26	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Marlin Learning Center 3927 Marlin, Dallas, TX 75241	Distritos 4 y 7
Jueves, Abril 28	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	East Park Recreation Center 3080 South Hamilton Road	Distritos 1 y 3
Martes, Mayo 3	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Dallas First Assembly of God 11300 East Northwest Highway	Distritos 9 y 10
Jueves, Mayo 5	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Residencia Central Dallas 2701 Rossall Street	Distritos 2 y 14
Martes, Mayo 10	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Pleasant Dale Recreation Center 811 Brookwood Avenue in Quaker College	Distritos 5 y 8
Jueves, Mayo 12	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	3837 Simpson Street Road	Distritos 5 y 8
Martes, Mayo 17	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	REC Library 6900 Bell Line Road	Distrito 11 y 12
Jueves, Mayo 19	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Erma Howe Elementary 4913 Howland Drive	Distritos 4 y 7
Sábado, Mayo 21	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	J. Erik Johnson Central Library 1315 Young Street	toda la Ciudad
Martes, Mayo 24	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Park Forest Library 2451 Forest Lane	Distritos 6 y 13

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Jueves, Mayo 5	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Resource Center Dallas 2701 Reagan Street	Distritos 2 y 14
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Jueves, Mayo 12	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Paul Quinn College 3837 Simpson Stuart Road	Distritos 5 y 8
Martes, Mayo 17	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Fretz Library 6990 Belt Line Road	Distritos 11 y 12
Jueves, Mayo 19	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Edna Rowe Elementary 4918 Hovenkamp Drive	Distritos 4 y 7
Sábado, Mayo 21	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	J. Erik Jonsson Central Library 1515 Young Street	toda la Ciudad
Martes, Mayo 24	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Park Forest Library 3421 Forest Lane	Distritos 6 y 13

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### 2011 Redistricting Public Hearings

# This Public Hearing Is For You!

The Dallas City Charter requires the creation of a Redistricting Commission every 10 years when the decennial census figures for Dallas are released. The Redistricting Commission will recommend a redistricting plan for the City that proposes new boundaries for the City Council Districts in accordance with the population changes based on the 2010 census data.

**The 2011 Redistricting Commission announces the following public hearings to solicit resident comments and proposed redistricting plans:**

Date	Location	Time	Hosted By
<b>Tuesday</b> April 26	Martin Luther King, Jr. Recreation Center 2922 Martin Luther King Blvd	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Council Districts 4 and 7
<b>Thursday</b> April 28	Kiest Park Recreation Center 3080 South Hampton Road	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Council Districts 1 and 3
<b>Tuesday</b> May 3	Dallas First Assembly of God 11000 East Northwest Highway	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Council Districts 9 and 10
<b>Thursday</b> May 5	Resource Center Dallas 2701 Reagan Street	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Council Districts 2 and 14
<b>Tuesday</b> May 10	Pleasant Oaks Recreation Center 8701 Greenmound Avenue	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Council Districts 5 and 8
<b>Thursday</b> May 12	Paul Quinn College 3837 Simpson Stuart Road	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Council Districts 5 and 8
<b>Tuesday</b> May 17	Fretz Library 6990 Belt Line Road	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Council Districts 11 and 12
<b>Thursday</b> May 19	Edna Rowe Elementary 4918 Hovenkamp Drive	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Council Districts 4 and 7
<b>Saturday</b> May 21	J. Erik Jonsson Central Library 1515 Young Street	2 p.m. - 4 p.m.	Citywide
<b>Tuesday</b> May 24	Park Forest Library 3421 Forest Lane	6 p.m. - 8 p.m.	Council Districts 6 and 13

Comments and plans should address redistricting criteria as listed in the 2011 redistricting guidelines, such as natural neighborhood boundaries or the existence of common social, cultural or community interests. Although the hearings are hosted by specific districts, residents from any district in the city may attend any of the hearings. **Those wishing to speak at the hearing are encouraged to arrive early for speaker sign-in.**

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# Reubicación de Distritos de 2011 Audiencias Públicas

La Comisión de Reubicación de Distritos recomendará un Plan de diseño de distritos para la ciudad el cual propone nuevos límites para los distritos del concejo de acuerdo con los cambios de población reflejados por las cifras del censo de 2010

**La Comisión de Reubicación de Distritos de 2011 anuncia las siguientes audiencias públicas para solicitar comentarios de los residentes sobre los planes de la Reubicación de Distritos**

FECHA	UBICACIÓN	TIEMPO	PRESENTADO PARA
<b>Martes</b> Abril 26	Martin Luther King, Jr. Recreation Center 2922 Martin Luther King Blvd	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Distritos 4 and 7
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<b>Martes</b> May 3	Dallas First Assembly of God 11000 East Northwest Highway	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Distritos 9 and 10
<b>Jueves</b> Mayo 5	Resource Center Dallas 2701 Reagan Street	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Distritos 2 and 14
<b>Martes</b> Mayo 10	Pleasant Oaks Recreation Center 8701 Greenmound Avenue	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Distritos 5 and 8
<b>Jueves</b> Mayo 12	Paul Quinn College 3837 Simpson Stuart Road	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Distritos 5 and 8
<b>Martes</b> Mayo 17	Fretz Library 6990 Belt Line Road	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Distritos 11 and 12
<b>Jueves</b> Mayo 19	Edna Rowe Elementary 4918 Hovenkamp Drive	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Distritos 4 and 7
<b>Sabado</b> Mayo 21	J. Erik Jonsson Central Library 1515 Young Street	2 p.m. - 4 p.m.	Toda la Ciudad
<b>Martes</b> Mayo 24	Park Forest Library 3421 Forest Lane	6 p.m. - 8 p.m.	Distritos 6 and 13

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# 有口袋

過來對費尼說：「您知道，我接受過您的獎學金……我現在是這家餐飲連鎖店的總經理了。」這讓費尼很高興。

費尼能說流利的法語和日語，喜歡到世界各地轉轉，自主選擇慈善項目。「大西洋慈善基金會」的捐贈範圍早就超越了國界，比如：向越南學齡兒童提供交通安全基金，為澳洲癌症研究及菲律賓盲童整形手術提供費用等。費尼說：「人們習慣於賺錢，成為富人對大多數人都很有吸引力，我並不是要去告訴人們應當做什麼，我只是相信，如果人們能為公益事業提供捐助，他們將從中獲得巨大的滿足。」

據說現在很多億萬富翁，比如：比爾蓋茲、巴菲特等人都將他視作慈善方面的榜樣，可以說，查克·費尼是富人們學習如何做慈善事業的好老師。

目前，查克·費尼還有兩個願望：一個是在2016年前捐光剩下的40億美元，現在，這筆錢正以每年超過4億美元的速度流向世界

各地需要的地方。在費尼看來，這個世界上有太多的人需要幫助，因此，捐助來不得半點兒延誤。他笑著發聲說：「這錢要是不能花掉，我死了都不能瞑目。」；一個是為富豪們樹立榜樣——「享受生活的同時做出饋贈」。據說，比爾蓋茲和沃倫·巴菲特深受他的影響並已付諸行動。

媒體追問查克·費尼，為何非要捐得一乾二淨？他的回答很簡單，因為「裹屍布上沒有口袋」。



查克·費尼  
(Chuck Feeney)

## 達拉斯市選區重劃公聽會

2011選區重劃委員會召開下列公聽會  
收集市民對選區重劃之意見

日期	時間	地點	主辦單位
Monday, April 26	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Martin Luther King, Jr. Recreation Center 2922 Martin Luther King Blvd	Council Districts 4 and 7
Tuesday, April 28	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Kiest Park Recreation Center 3080 South Hampton Road	Council Districts 1 and 3
Wednesday, May 3	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Dallas First Assembly of God 11000 East Northwest Highway	Council Districts 9 and 10
Thursday, May 5	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Resource Center Dallas 2701 Reagan Street	Council Districts 2 and 14
Friday, May 10	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Pleasant Oaks Recreation Center 8701 Greenmound Avenue	Council Districts 5 and 8
Saturday, May 12	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Paul Quinn College 3837 Simpson Stuart Road	Council Districts 5 and 8
Sunday, May 17	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Fretz Library 6990 Belt Line Road	Council Districts 11 and 12
Monday, May 19	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Edna Rowe Elementary 4918 Hovenkamp Drive	Council Districts 4 and 7
Tuesday, May 21	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	J. Erik Jonsson Central Library 1515 Young Street	Citywide
Wednesday, May 24	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Park Forest Library 3421 Forest Lane	Council Districts 6 and 13

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## Prayer walk draws more than 10,000 people

By JEFF KAROUR  
Associated Press

DETROIT — Thousands of people dedicated to restoring hope to a suffering city poured onto its main thoroughfare Saturday to take part in the Detroit Prayer Walk.

The massive crowd filled Woodward Avenue for the round-trip morning trek between two downtown landmarks, the Detroit Tigers' home of Comerica Park and the Spirit of Detroit statue. The gathering easily surpassed 10,000 people and appeared to come close to reaching organizers' estimates of between 15,000 and 20,000.

"I don't want to miss out on something God is doing," said Tony Barker, 28, who pulled his two young sons in a red wagon. The industrial footer and resident of the Detroit suburb of Warren came with his family and at least 50 others by bus from his church.

The Christian crowd was united in faith but demographically diverse, featuring young and old, Black and White, city and suburban. Some gazed upward at the avenue's grand architecture, peppered with vacant buildings and other sites under renovation. The throng chanted, chanted and even sang. Periodically, treated to buskers on street corners singing praise songs with acoustic guitars.

### Motorcyclists, continued from Front Page

congregation was made of bikers. Today, probably about 50 different clubs came out."

This was not the congregation's first effort to connect with motorcyclists. They have shown an interest in those with the need for speed in the more compact package of two wheels for six years now.

"This is our sixth year, and we've grown from the first year, we had 20 then," Byrd said. Last year, according to

The event kicked off with worship songs and short messages from local pastors to an enthusiastic crowd in front of Detroit Tigers' home. More than 500 area churches had pledged to participate.

"The body of Christ wants to show up in Detroit's time of need," said Bob Shrock, pastor of Oak Pointe Church in suburban Novi and one of the event's organizers.

He said "massive movements" inspired him a couple years ago in urban cities in Africa and Asia and thought Detroit needed spiritual as well as economic transformation.

The gathering comes nearly a month after the U.S. Census revealed Detroit's population dropped by a staggering 25 percent in the past decade, and Michigan was the only state to lose population between 2000 and 2010.

Shrock said the prayer walk, which also signed up volunteers for community service projects, had been planned for next year but "urban pastors told me we can't wait."

He said routing walkers to the Spirit of Detroit statue was intentional, since the wall behind it features a verse from Corinthians 3:17: "Now the Lord is that spirit and where the spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty."

As walkers reached the statue at the foot of Woodward and Jefferson Avenue, many stopped to gather in spontaneous

churches held similar events. However, he didn't seem threatened that any other place would steal the attention or attendance of his usual biker audience as he discussed the differences.

"There have been many churches that have tried to do it, but the service is not geared specifically towards them. ... that is the difference between them and our service," he said. "We invite them here and they can use and that will encourage them."

The sermon was indeed one of which motorcyclists could



Thousands walk Detroit Prayer Walk around trip from Comerica Park to the Spirit of Detroit statue, April 16. At least 10,000 people turned out Saturday for the round-trip trek from Comerica Park to the Spirit of Detroit statue. Photo by Willie Archuleta of Detroit Free Press.

points were to remember that there are good bikers and that help may come from an unexpected source. Byrd wore a motorcycle vest that church members gave him last year.

His admiration for the machines that appear to defy gravity did not spring up out of thin air; it started with family.

"I don't ride, my wife won't let me ride. My father though, had a Harley. The love for bikes and motorcycles has always been in my family," he said.

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home for more than a decade after coming from the Philippines. He said he lives on 2 1/2 acres now with neighbors out of sight, but fondly remembers being "pretty much on top of each other" in Detroit.

"As my parents ... got more successful, we moved out to the suburbs, we followed the crowd," he said. "I just feel we need to lift the city up here. Just by coming down, we send a strong message."

hungry for the road under their wheels, a young beginner rider shared his thoughts after his first Motorcycle Sunday.

"I've been riding motorcycles for about a year," Marc Evans shared while seated on his motorcycle. The non-club rider was adorned in his bandana, sunglasses and purple shirt — matching his bike. "My uncle told me about Motorcycle Sunday and I enjoyed the program thoroughly."

The day could be summed up with a few short and simple words from the pastor stating, "They love it. We do this as an

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### The Good News

Books in a Box

The United Methodist Women of St. Luke Community UMC are conducting a Books in a Box book drive during April and May. The group will accept donations of new and gently used books for ages 2 through 5, to benefit children receiving services from the Dallas Bethlehem Center. Collection boxes have been placed at the church's main entrance. For more information, call Selena Alexander at 972-534-9955.

### Easter Sunrise Service

The Continuing Fellowship — Reunited, Renewed and Reinspired — an Easter sunrise service, will begin April 24 at 6:30 a.m. The celebration is presented by St. Paul United Methodist Church, in conjunction with the Dallas Black Dance Theatre and One Arts Plaza. The special service will be held at One Arts, located at 1722 Fourth St. However, in the case of inclement weather the event will be relocated to St. Paul, 1816 Fourth Street. For more information, call 214-822-0090 or visit <http://www.tbphs.com/dallas.com>.

### Easter Celebration

St. Luke Community United Methodist Church will hold Easter Celebration services on both campuses on April 24. The central campus services will be held at 6 a.m., 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. at 5710 East R.L. Thornton Freeway. The south campus service will be held at 10 a.m. at 1815 N. Hampton Road in Dallas. For more transportation

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DATE	TIME	LOCATION/ ADDRESS	HOSTED BY
Tuesday, April 26	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Marin Luther King, Jr. Recreation Center 2922 Martin Luther King Blvd	Council Districts 4 and 7
Thursday, April 28	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	North Park Recreation Center 3000 South Harwood Road	Council Districts 1 and 3
Tuesday, May 3	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Dallas First Assembly of God 11000 East Northwest Highway	Council Districts 9 and 10
Thursday, May 5	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Resound Center Dallas 2701 Reagan Street	Council Districts 2 and 14
Tuesday, May 10	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Pleasant Oaks Recreation Center 8701 Greenbourn Avenue	Council Districts 5 and 8
Thursday, May 12	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Paul Quinn College 3857 Simpson Street Road	Council Districts 5 and 8
Tuesday, May 17	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Fritz Library 6990 Bell Line Road	Council Districts 11 and 12
Thursday, May 19	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Ethel Rome Elementary 4918 Haverkamp Drive	Council Districts 4 and 7
Saturday, May 21	2 p.m. - 4 p.m.	J. Erik Jonsson Central Library 1515 Young Street	Citywide
Thursday, May 24	6 p.m. - 8 p.m.	Paul Frost Library 3421 Forest Lane	Council Districts 6 and 13

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## Perry: Spike Lee can go stra

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Lee has dismissed Perry's artistic vision as lowbrow entertainment, which exploits negative images — among them Perry, a Black man, dressing in drag for his role as Madea — for laughs and box office success.

Perry's work, built around the audience's embrace of Madea, has produced a string of hits and generated strong support from African American moviegoers.

"I am sick of him talking about Black people going to see movies," Perry said of Lee's criticism. "This is what he said 'You vote by what you see,' as if Black people don't know what they want to see."

The feud between the two film makers dates back to 2009 when, in an interview with BET reporter Ed Gordon, Lee compared Perry's portrayal of Blacks in his films to *Amos n' Andy*, the first Black situation comedy to be broadcast nationally in the 1950s in which contained stereotypical roles of African Americans for that time period. Lee said that he does not expect Perry's films to reflect Lee's own vision of Black America, but he insists that "imaging" of the Black community is significant.

"Each artist should be allowed to pursue their artistic endeavors, but I still think there is a lot of stuff out today that is coonery and buffoonery," Lee said in the interview. "I am a huge basketball fan, and when I watch the games on TNT, I see these two ads for these two shows [Perry's *House of Payne* and *Meet the Browns*], and I am scratching my head. We got a Black president and we going back to [early Black comedians] Mantan Moreland and Sleep 'n' Eat?"

Perry defended his work, pointing out that other ethnicities have their own versions of his films.

"I've never seen Jewish people attack *Seinfeld* and say 'this is a stereotype.' I've never seen Italian people attack *The Sopranos*. I've never seen Jewish people complaining about *Mrs. Doubtfire* or Dustin Hoffman in *Tootsie*," he said.

In his online journal at tylerperry.com, Perry wrote that his new movie is just food for the soul, and only his fans will understand his vision.

"Critics don't get that this is about more than making a movie and telling a funny story," he wrote on his site. He added that detractors "don't get that it's about uplifting and encouraging the soul. They don't get that most [Perry fans] have been with me long before they knew who I was, and they don't get that you have my back."



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platform. The Aggie aims to raise District 4's ranking for jobs and employment from the bottom to the top half of Dallas' districts through improving the district's access to capital, providing small business owners management and marketing training and connecting District 4 businesses with the network of businesses across the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. Mack majored in Business and Technology at Texas A & M.

He is also exploring the feasibility for co-locating charter schools and traditional public schools in the district. Mack referenced the charter schools looking to move into District 4 and the increased efficiencies the opportunity creates.

Though Fair Park lies beyond District 4's borders, Mack spoke of plans to optimize the park's assets.

"In a state where football is king, it makes sense for it to be a driver of economic development in the region," he stated while serving on the

boring cities and Texas' bordering states.

But voters who think Mack should be their next councilman won't find his name printed on the election ballot. He's a write-in candidate.

When asked about his absence from the ballot and his seemingly indecision about running, Mack was vague.

"I can't go into specific details," he replied. "But I can say it's always been my intention to run in this race."

He said he called former neighbor, Caraway, the day before the campaign window opened to tell him of his plans.

In an interview with Caraway regarding his campaign for reelection as District 4 councilman, the incumbent said, "The most important thing is redistricting. It's very important that I remain at the table because the redistricting process will have an ef-

It's important that we look at employer job opportunities. It's important that we keep our community safe and clean."

In a statement, he highlighted contributions to District 4.

"Since 2007, I have gone after hotels and motels that have been known centers for criminal activity. We just moved to close Luxury and Sundial Inn, which have been magnets for drug dealing and prostitution in the Piedmont neighborhood. These are just the latest long line of hot-sheet motels we closed or moved into responsible hands."

The statement listed his involvement in bringing the National Guard troops to tear down 50 dilapidated homes that were housing drug dealers in the district and his work force Oak Cliff Metal, a recycling center in the heart of a residential area, to clean up and relocate to



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# Let's Vote About It!

By John Senary  
Elite News Staff Writer

I was a letter from former Dallas Mayor Tom Ichniok, on January 17, when he announced his decision not to seek reelection to the office of Dallas Mayor that began the speculation about who would seek election for the office of Dallas Mayor - this country's eighth largest city.



**TOM ICHNIOK**  
Former Dallas Mayor

Enter David Kunkle, Ron Natusky, Edward Orta and Mike Rawlings; they are the candidates who will be soliciting your votes for the office of



**DAVID KUNKLE**  
Dallas Police Chief

the alphabetical order.

The first Mayoral candidate is former City of Dallas Police Chief David Kunkle. Kunkle has never been elected to any office. He was hired by the City of Dallas to serve as the Police Chief, a job he performed well during his tenure as Chief of Police from 2004 until his retirement last year. Kunkle has never publicly mentioned any interest in public office, so his entry into the Mayor's race took some City Hall insiders by surprise. "I've spent my whole career in

the Southern sector. It will be interesting to see if the people who reside in the Southern sector will remember the faces of the Conboys to Arlington or if the Southern sector residents have forgotten Mayor Ichniok's name. I am sure that a large part of the blame fell to former Mayor Ichniok and his staff for not having a plan for raising money for David Kunkle.

Ron Natusky is a current member of the Dallas City Council. Elected to the Dallas City Council from District 12 in 2005, he currently chairs the City of Dallas Economic Development Committee. Among his accomplishments as the Economic Development Chair, he helped attract the world headquarters of A&T, Comerica Bank and Teret Healthcare. Dallas is a complex city with diverse cultures and a host of dynamic yet very different - neighborhood.

"My conversations with residents all across our city show that we all have similar views on what we want from our elected officials." We may have varying views on what our neighborhoods should be, but not on the kind of mayor we want to lead our diverse city council," Natusky said.

Natusky has outlined five priorities for himself if elected to the Mayor's office: (1) he will create jobs by continuing to build Dallas' economy; (2) he plans to do it by refining the mix of economic tools our city uses to attract new companies to the city and maintain those already here; (3) assertively encourage companies to relocate to Dallas, from adjacent suburbs, from other Texas cities; (4) encourage job growth across the Southern Sector; and (5) he says he will ensure the declining crime rate drops even further and he will do it by maintaining our recent success in reducing crime rates. He will also focus on making sure that all the city's needs are met and that the city is a place where everyone can thrive.

These are critical issues facing our city, so let's take an in-depth look at the four (4) candidates by the fire the office of Mayor of the City of Dallas. And just as we don't offend anyone, we will discuss them

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### WEST DALLAS COMMUNITY CENTERS, INC.

Developing Youth and Supporting Families Since 1932

IT'S TEE TIME AGAIN!!  
DIKITA Enterprises 2nd Annual Invitational GOLF Tournament  
Benefiting West Dallas Community Centers

PURPOSE: Raise funds to provide year-round, out-of-school time academic and enrichment programs for youth ages 6-17

HOSTS: Honorable Tom Leppert, Former Dallas Mayor  
Lucious Williams, President Emeritus, DIKITA Engineering

WHEN: Monday, May 2, 2011 at 8am  
Awards Luncheon Buffet at 1:30pm

WHERE: Prestonwood Country Club  
15909 Preston Road  
Dallas, TX 75248

COSTS: Individual Golfers \$125.00 (All-Inclusive) Hole Sponsors \$100  
Sponsorships begin at \$1,500. Cart Sponsors \$250

To register and for more information about the golf tournament, please go to [www.westdallas.org](http://www.westdallas.org) or contact Cheryl Mayo, Executive Director at (214) 760-8353



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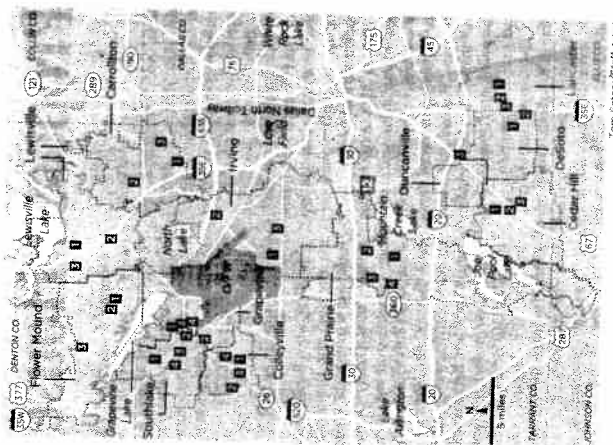
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Tom Setzer/Staff Artist

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  - North Houston School Road, 1600** block  
7:25 p.m. April 6: Burglary of a residence
  - Rolling Hills Place, 400** block  
9:29 a.m. April 4: Unauthorized use of a vehicle
- LEWISVILLE**
- North Mill Street, 900** block  
10:2 p.m. April 16: Theft
  - East Oak Knot Circle, 200** block  
Midnight, April 11: Criminal mischief
  - North Old Orchard Lane, 900** block  
10:22 a.m. April 11: Burglary of a building
- SOUTHLAKE**
- East Dove Road, 600** block  
10:12 a.m. April 9: Assault
  - North Nolan Drive, 300** block  
5:42 p.m. April 15: Theft
  - State Street, 600** block  
10:32 a.m. April 6: Assault
  - North White Chapel Boulevard, 800** block  
10:42 p.m. April 5: Theft

**REPORTERS' NOTEBOOK**

**FLOWER MOUND**

**Distribution center moves to town**

Flooring supplier Mohawk Industries has announced it has moved its national distribution center to Flower Mound.

The Georgia-based Fortune 500 company moved its operations last month into a 260,000-square-foot warehouse in Lakeside Trade Center at 100 Enterprise Drive.

The company had occupied a building in Coppell for the last nine years. It needed a better-designed facility to meet its customer service needs and expanding product line, according to written statement from the company.

The new facility will also house regional sales and operations offices.

*Deborah Fleck*

**DESOTO**

**Police and clergy coalition to hold event**

DeSoto Police and Clergy, also known as DPAC, was formed a year ago to help the community address the root cause of family violence and prevent crime.

Ministers attend formal training and are on call to provide counseling for family violence situations, car accidents or disruptive behavior among adolescents.

A review of the first year of the program will be part of a celebration at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Police Department, 714 E. Belt Line Road. The event will include tours of the DeSoto Jail. Call 469-658-3000.

*Deborah Fleck*

**COPPELL**

**Playground project seeks public input**

Kid Country 2012 has been approved to move forward by the Coppell City Council.

The project now seeks volunteers to serve on committees. Volunteers helped spearhead building the first Kid Country playground in 1992.

Located in Andy Brown Park East, that playground has surpassed its 15-year lifespan, so a new structure is needed.

To learn more, call the Parks and Recreation Department at 972-462-5100 or email [parks@coppelltx.gov](mailto:parks@coppelltx.gov).

*Deborah Fleck*

**CARROLLTON**

**Junior Police Academy to be held in summer**

The Carrollton Police Department will offer a Junior Police Academy to give middle school children the opportunity to see how the department works.

The five-week program will be held this summer in four sessions: June 20-24, June 27-July 1, July 11-15 and July 25-29. Students must be incoming seventh- or eighth-graders for the 2011-12 school year.

Applications are at the front desk at the department, 3025 E. Jackson Road, or at any Carrollton-Farmers Branch ISD or Lewisville ISD middle school in Carrollton. The deadline to apply is May 13. Call Officer Shannon Hartzell at 972-

*Deborah Fleck*

**IRVING**

**Forum on schools set for real estate agents**

The Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce will hold a forum for real estate agents on Monday that will seek to school them on the virtues of Irving's private and charter schools.

The group previously held a forum for real estate agents about the Irving and Carrollton-Farmers Branch school districts. The aim is to educate agents about the schools, since people looking to move to the area often take school quality into consideration.

The forum will be from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and is hosted by Big Brothers Big Sisters of North Texas at 450 E. John Carpenter Freeway.

*Katherine Leal Trumuth*

**HIGHLAND VILLAGE**

**Council approves smoking ordinance**

The Highland Village Council approved an ordinance that prohibits smoking in any enclosed facility within all places of employment and any area available and used by the general public. The effective date is June 1.

Smoking is not prohibited in outdoor patio areas of businesses.

*Deborah Fleck*