



Quarterly Newsletter

Keeping you informed

Small City with Big Appeal

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From the Desk of the City Manager

Brett McGuire.....

Happy Spring to everyone! If some of you were like me, we thought that winter would never leave us. You have to admit though; it was novel to be a witness to some record-breaking winter weather.

January 20th was the “official” groundbreaking for the new Multi-Purpose Center and Animal Services Facility. The contractor took over the sites on January 23rd and began work. V.C.C. Construction was awarded the bid for the facilities and will take approximately 270 days to complete the job. The weather has not cooperated during the first month of construction; but we are hopeful that things will progress smoothly. The Multi-Purpose Center will be the new home of the Library and Senior Center; and is located on Charbonneau Rd. The new facility will double the current size and capacity of the current Library and Senior Center. In the center of the complex will be three (3) community rooms that can be utilized for City training classes, activities from the Library or Senior Center and will also be available to the public for use for events. The complex will share the site with the historic Foster House and should become a “hub” for activity. The Animal Services facility will replace the much-outdated shelter currently located on Fewell St.. The new facility will meet all State-mandated requirements, provide for a much more pleasant adoption experience and will expand the capacity for Animal Services staff to care for the dogs and cats placed into their care. The Animal Services facility will be located on Comanche in an area that we hope will be more conducive to folks that want to come and look for a new companion to adopt. These projects are being funded by the 2008 C.O. issue that was approved for several City projects.

The economy has seemed to stabilize a bit; but the country is far from being out of the woods. One of the most common questions that I am asked is how the City fared during the Christmas shopping season. We saw a fair amount of shopping in our City, but not what we have experienced in years past. Sales Tax revenue for the month of December was down by 6% from last year, and down by 6% from the year before. Total Sales Tax revenue for the year is down by similar amounts. We are still much better off than many cities in surrounding counties. Some cities have seen as much as a 60% decline in their sales tax revenue for this year. Together, we will get through these tough times and come out on the other end just that much stronger.

Even though we are all working in “leaner” times, the City staff is looking to the future. Plans are being made for improvements to our City parks, our surface streets, and our other facilities or services that are utilized by the citizens. We understand that many of these things cannot be funded during this year; however, we want to be ready when things do turn around. It should be an interesting time for the next couple of years.

I would like to thank each of you for your support of our City and of our city staff. I receive compliments on a regular basis from citizens that appreciate the job that our employees do for you. I want you to know that I appreciate hearing the positive things,

City Calendar

*City Offices will be **CLOSED:***

Memorial Day

Monday May 31, 2010

Furlough Day

Tuesday June 1, 2010

Independence Day

Monday July 5, 2010

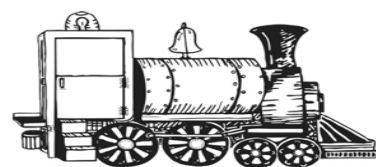
(trash will run as normal this day)

- *Council meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM.*
- *Planning & Zoning meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM.*
- *Board of Adjustments meets the 1st Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM - as needed.*
- *Historical Preservation Commission meets the 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM.*

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All Aboard for Summer Programs @ the Lake Worth Library



June 3: Poetry Rocks

Poetry Rocks is a program for children using musical instruments, songs, activity poems, and games. Have lots of FUN making simple Jazz music and Jazz movements.

June 10: Bonkers the Clown

Juggling! Mime! Magic! Balloon Animals! Laughter!

June 17: Western Round-Up

Children take an imagination journey as they become cowboys and cowgirls. Music, movement, & campfire stories are woven together to create a world out on the range.

June 24: The Creature Teacher

We'll learn how and why creatures use their claws, tails, shells, whiskers, teeth and fangs! Live animal presentation! This show is great for kids of all ages.

July 1: The Incredible Bubble Show

It's all about bubbles! Hand blown bubbles, big bubbles, tiny bubbles, multiple bubbles, bubbles-in-bubbles, bouncing bubbles, and even square bubbles!

July 8: Reading is magic

Gerald Edmundson uses his amazing sleight-of-hand skills to show youngsters how reading opens the door to life's most exciting secrets. It's all about magic!

July 15: Reading, rhythm and rhyme



Using poetry, tongue twisters, songs and instruments, Judy Stock leads her audience through an exciting program that's all about discovering the joys of reading.

July 22: Whirled on a String

2006 World Champion Female Top Spinner, Valerie Oliver demonstrates the spinning arts of yo-yo, spin top and Spinabolo. She'll even show you how!



All programs from 10:30 -11:15 a.m.

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Bulk Trash Pick-Up Schedule

May	24-26
June	21-23
July	26-28

Please have your bulk trash out before the first day of pick-up to ensure you do not get missed.

DO NOT** set your bulky trash out before the 20th of each month, or **YOU WILL BE CITED.

Call IESI at 817-222-2221 with any questions.

**EDC SAYS.....
THERE ARE EVEN MORE
CHANGES
IN LAKE WORTH.....**



The face of Lake Worth is changing again with all the new construction that's taking place in our City. Have you noticed the dirt flying on the corner of Lake Worth Blvd. and Roberts Cut off for the new Race Trac gas station? They intend to keep the location at Lake Worth Blvd. and Boat Club Open and running as usual.

The City broke ground on a new facility on January 20, 2010 at 7005 Charbonneau Road for the Senior Citizens building and new Library as well. The complex will also have facilities to accommodate community or municipal events such as meetings, training classes, and other activities which will be available for the use of the public.

Are you or your kids interested in Taekwondo? Check out the new Northwest Tiger Rock Taekwondo Academy located at 3519 NW Jim Wright freeway in the Marine Creek Business Park.

Come out and support your local retailers by eating & shopping in Lake Worth. If you or anyone you know is thinking about opening a business in Lake Worth please contact Jami Woodall at the Economic Development Department Office at (817)-237-1211 ext. 225.



**Reminders from the
Code Dude....**

Spring is here.

Remember – **12** is the number. If grass or weeds exceed a height of 12 inches you are in violation of a City Ordinance. Only one warning is given in a 12 month period for this violation.



**Fire Department to
Update CodeRed Call List**

The Lake Worth Fire Department will be calling all registered residents this month with an important message for all residents and businesses located in City of Lake Worth.

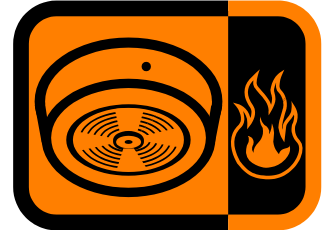
We have licensed the CodeRED Community Notification System to help disseminate important or critical information.

We encourage all residents and businesses to go to the City of Lake Worth website, located at www.lakeworthtx.org, click on the CodeRED logo located on the right side of our homepage and enter their contact information, including additional phone numbers, and text and email addresses, to ensure all of the data in our system is accurate and current.

After the telephone call is made and you know of anyone who did not receive the call who lives in Lake Worth please encourage them to visit the City website and enter their information.

If you do not have Internet access, please contact a friend or family member to help add your contact information to the emergency database or you may use the City of Lake Worth Library for internet access. You can also call the Lake Worth Fire Department directly at 817 237-7461 for assistance.

The Fire Department would like to remind everyone to change the battery in their smoke detector also. Time change occurred in March and it is time to change your battery.



From the Desk of Our City Secretary..



The May 8, 2010 City General Election was cancelled due to no propositions being on the ballot, no declaration of write-in candidates being made, and filed candidates being unopposed for Council Place #'s 1, 3, 5, and 7. Those candidates are as follows:



- Place 1: Curtis McKay
- Place 3: Perry A. Lunsford
- Place 5: Pat O. Hill
- Place 7: Clint (Dewayne) Narmore

Even though the City of Lake Worth is cancelling their election, Tarrant County Elections Administration will still be using the Lake Worth Council Chambers facility for the May 2010 Election due to construction at the Tarrant County facility, that has been used in the past.

If you have any questions regarding City election information, please contact the City Secretary's office at (817)237-1211, extension #238.



Census Day was April 1, 2010. Everyone should have received their questionnaires by now and sent them back. A huge "thank you" goes out to those that participated. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated and will benefit your community. For more information on the census and what it does, you may visit their website at www.census.gov.



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