



Quarterly Newsletter
Keeping you informed
Small City with Big Appeal

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City Hall Hours
Monday-Friday
8am to 6pm

City Holidays
April 22, 2011, Good Friday

From the Desk of the City Manager

Brett McGuire.....

I believe that we all hope that Spring has finally arrived! This is the time of year when all of us look forward to the sunny skies, the budding trees and watching our lawns turn from brown to green. It's also the time of year that we hope to get the start of the rain and moisture that we need to help us get through the hot, dry summer months. It's also the time of the year when we begin to worry about the severe T-storms, hail and the possibility of tornadoes. We all hope that we have a moderate Spring but our Emergency Management team is gearing up to monitor and track any severe weather that might come our way. We will do our best to keep you informed if any severe weather events threaten. The new Multi-Purpose Center has certainly made an impact in our community. Attendance at the Senior Center has increased and the Library has attracted many new visitors with the new services being offered. The rental/use of the multi-purpose rooms has already exceeded our expectations as well. If you haven't taken the opportunity to visit our Senior Center or Library please take a minute to do so. The Community Services Director, Cheryl Vess, and the Director of Library Services, Lara Strother have worked diligently to try to provide extraordinary services for our community. The Lake Worth Area Museum is also located in front of the Multi-Purpose complex. Controlled by the Economic Development Corporation and operated by the Lake Worth Historical Society, the museum promises to provide an interesting and educational look at Lake Worth's colorful past. The museum contains many items that you won't find anywhere else; all very nicely displayed by the Historical Society. The museum is set to open for regular hours in April; but tours can be arranged before then if requested. Further information is posted on the front door of the museum. The Multi-Purpose Center is located at 7005 Charbonneau; the museum is located right in front at 7001 Charbonneau. The new Lake Worth Animal Services Facility has opened as well. Located at 7209 Comanche Trl., the new facility has more than doubled the capacity of the shelter; as well as created an environment much more conducive for adoption. The Animal Services staff are quite proud of their new facility and would like nothing more than for folks to come down and see if they can find a new friend to take home. You will find dedicated, caring folks at our facility that truly want to see the animals in their care find loving homes. Take a minute to stop by for a visit and take a look around. On March 31st the City of Lake Worth will be losing a valuable member of our team. Fire Chief Mark Cone will be retiring from the City after more than 20 years of service. Mark has been a part of the Fire Department throughout many of the changes. He has been instrumental in many of the improvements that we've seen with our Fire Department over the years. We are extremely proud of the Department and the accomplishments that have been achieved to bring it to the level of professionalism that it holds. Mark has been dedicated to the citizens, the City and to the Department at the highest level. His experience and expertise will be sorely missed. Please stop by his retirement party to wish him well. It will be held on Wednesday, March 30th from 2-5 pm. It will be held at the Multi-Purpose Center. We hope to see you there.

ATTENTION

TXdot will be replacing the Shawnee bridge! Starting March 1, 2011 through July 2011, the bridge will be closed. Txdot has set up two Alternative routes to use, while the bridge is out, Comanche and Osage.

City Calendar

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. As needed

Board of Adjustment, 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. As needed.

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Have you heard
"WHATS GOING ON" at the
LAKE WORTH SENIOR CENTER.....



We are having a very informative seminar on March 23, 2011 at 1:30 pm. Dr. Jenny Terrell with the "Texas Eye Laser Center" will be our guest speaker. She will touch on issues such as Diabetes, Glaucoma and other eye conditions. There will also be free vision screenings. We will have door prizes and refreshments.

Please put us on your calendar for the "Spring Fling Craft Fair", 9:00 am to 3:00 pm Saturday, April 16, 2011 at the senior center. If you are a crafter and interested in reserving a table for your wares, please call 817-237-3281, there is a \$15.00 fee. Along with all this, there will be the "Community Easter Egg Hunt" on the same day beginning at 10:00 am. The Library will be hosting "The Creature Teacher" at the library beginning at 11:00 am. So come out for a day of fun and community.

AARP Income Tax Help is here on Mondays thru April 11, 2011. Appointments are needed for tax preparation at the Senior Center each Monday from 10 am – 2 pm. Please call the Senior Center at 817.237.3281 for details.

Bulk Pick Up Dates:

March 28, 29, and 30, 2011

April 25, 26, and 27, 2011



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.



Utility Billing Department

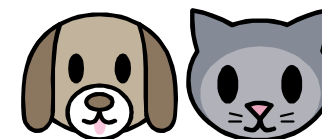


Mid-November to Mid-February is the time frame used to calculate the new sewer charge for residential water accounts. The new rates are effective on April's water bill.

If you had a leak during this time frame and had it repaired or are in the process of having it repaired, you will need to fill out and submit a request for re-consideration of winter sewer average.

You can start submitting your request to the utility billing department now through the end of June. Your completed form should be accompanied by proof of the leak being fixed. An acceptable proof of repair includes but is not limited to: a plumber's invoice or store receipt of parts purchased.

If you have any questions, please call the Utility Billing Department at 817-237-1211, ext. 110.



COME AND SEE OUR NEW
LAKE WORTH ANIMAL FACILITY

We would like to give a heart felt Thank You for the donations we received from Tractor Supply and Walmart. Our Shelter is now open. The hours of operation are Monday thur Friday 8 am to 5 pm, Saturday and Sunday 10 am to 4 pm. Please come by and see us.



**What's happening
at the Mary Lou Reddick Public Library**



Preschool Storytime

Join us every Wednesday morning at 11:00 am for stories,
crafts & FUN for children 2 - 5 years old.

Book Club Meetings

Thursday, March 31 - 6:00 pm
The Alchemist by Paula Coelho

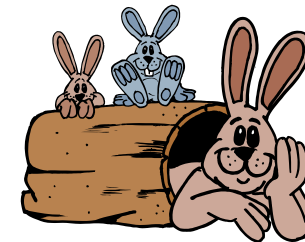
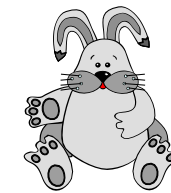
Thursday, April 28 - 6:00 pm
Little Bee by Chris Cleave

Special Events

March 17 - 1:00 pm : Live Bat Presentation by
Bat World Sanctuary - www.batworld.org

April 16 - 11:00 am : The Creature Teacher
Visit with a New Zealand White Rabbit, Sugar Glider,
African Pygmy Hedgehog, Chinchilla, and more!

Visit us online at <http://lakeworth.bibliionix.com>
The library is located at 7005 Charbonneau . For more information,
please call 817-237-9681.



COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE GOING ON.....

Now that we have gotten the year off to a good start, let's look at what is going on in Lake Worth! Check out the corner of Azle Ave. and Telephone Road and watch for the spring opening of the new 17,050 square foot Goodwill Store. The new Tarrant County Sub Courthouse is almost complete, look for them to open this spring as well. The City of Lake Worth will be having an Easter Egg Hunt on April 16th, 2011 at the new Multi Purpose Building located at 7005 Charbonneau Road. The event includes an Easter Egg Hunt, The Creature Teacher at the Library, and a Spring Craft Fair as well. Doors open at 9:00 am and the event runs until 3:00 pm. As always remember to Eat, Shop, & Play Lake Worth! If you or someone you know is looking to open a business in Lake Worth please contact Jami Woodall in the Economic Development Department at 817-237-1211 ext. 106.



According to the City Secretary.....



The City General Election this year will be held on Saturday, May 14, 2011. The purpose of the election is to allow qualified voters to elect the Mayor and Council Places #2, 4, and 6. These are two year terms. Current Mayor/Council Members holding these places are:

Mayor: Walter Bowen

Place 2: Myrt Fowlkes

Place 4: Dona Stuard

Place 6: Geoffrey White

Candidates may pick up an Election Packet at City Hall. The deadline to file for application for a place on the ballot is by **5:00 pm** on Monday March 14, 2011. (Note deadline time is 5:00 pm and not 6:00 pm.)

Per Section 3.02 of the City Charter, candidates must meet the following qualifications:

(1) Be a registered voter of the City; (2) Have resided in the City for at least twelve (12) months preceding the election at which they are candidates; (3) Continue residency in the City during the term of office; (4) Not hold more than one public elective office; (5) Not hold an appointed office of the City excluding boards, committees, and commissions; (6) Be at least 21 years of age; (7) Not have been determined mentally incompetent by a final judgment of a court; and (8) Not have been convicted, whether final for appeal purposes or not, of a felony from which the person has not been pardoned or otherwise released from the resulting disabilities. A member of the Council ceasing to possess any of the qualifications specified in this section or any other section of the Charter, or convicted of a felony while in office, shall immediately forfeit the member's office.

If you have any questions regarding City election information, please contact the City Secretary's office at (817) 237-1211, extension #105.

Yards of the Month



Yard of the Month "South" 3013 Chippewa Trl.



Yard of the Month "North" 6225 Lakeside Dr.



CODE DUDE

