

Bi Monthly Newsletter

Keeping you informed

Honoring Our Past with a Vision for the Future



Out with the old and in with the new! How familiar does that sound to you? Many of us have made New Year's resolutions. These resolutions are created to make our life better or to create a better "me." The City of Lake Worth is also committed to making Lake Worth the best place to live, work, play and dine while continuing to provide excellent services to our citizens.

From the Desk of

Our City Secretary..



The City General Election this year will be held on Saturday, May 6, 2017. The purpose of the election is to allow qualified voters to elect a Mayor and Council Member Place #'s 2, 4, and 6. These are two year terms from 2017-2019. Qualified persons interested in signing up may do so beginning Wednesday, January 18, 2017. Election packet information may be obtained through the City Secretary's office at that time as well. The deadline to file for application for a place on the ballot is by **5:00 pm** on Friday, February 17, 2017. (Note deadline time is 5:00 pm and not 6:00 pm.) City Charter qualifications and eligibility requirements are:

SECTION 3.02 QUALIFICATIONS

Each of the seven (7) Council members and the Mayor shall 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.

SECTION 3.03 ELIGIBILITY

Neither the Mayor, nor any Council member, shall hold any other public office of emolument.

If you have any questions regarding City Elections, please contact the City Secretary's office at lindar@lakeworthtx.org or at 817.237.1211, extension #105.



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City Hall Hours
Monday-Friday
8am to 6pm

City Holidays

New Year's

January 2, 2017

And

President's Day

February 20, 2017



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.

COUNCIL MEETINGS:

January 10, 2017

February 14, 2017

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Things to keep in mind....

Reminder for residential accounts billed for sewer: your sewer charge is based on water consumption during the three winter months of December, January and February. This means that the water you use from mid-November through mid-February will determine your new sewer charge. The new sewer charge will show up on the April 2017 utility bill.

If you have any faucets that leak or toilets that run, this is the best time to fix them. If you discover a leak, bring proper documentation that you have taken care of the problem and it will be taken into consideration when calculating your sewer charge. An acceptable proof of repair includes but is not limited to a plumber's invoice or store receipt of parts purchased. You can start submitting your request to the utility billing department now through June 30th.



Bulk Pick-Up Reminder: Brush and bulk items **MUST** be put out **PRIOR** to the first day of pick-up but **NOT BEFORE** midnight on the 20th of each month to avoid being cited. Brush is picked up the last full week of the month but is subject to change. Bulk items

must be neatly placed within six (6) feet of the curb or edge of the road. Do not place bulk garbage near a mailbox or under overhead utility lines.

Trash Pick-Up Reminder: Normal trash pick-up **MUST** be out prior to 7:00 am on your scheduled pick-up date. All garbage pickup must be placed in a container that does not leak or emits odors. Plastic trash bags are authorized and if used may not weight more than fifty (50) pounds. All curbside garbage must be placed within six (6) feet of the curb of the street bearing the residential address of a residence.

For missed pick-ups or questions call **Progressive Waste Solutions** at **817-222-2221**.



2016-2017 Utility Calendar

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							Thanksgiving Day & day after * No Trash Pick-up							Christmas Eve & Christmas Day						
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Independence Day * No Trash Pick-up														Labor Day * No Trash Pick-up						



Water bill due date

- pay by this date to avoid late fees



City Holidays



1st day to set out bulk items

- Bulk must be out prior to the 1st day of pick up but not before the **20th** of the month



Late letter water bill due date

- pay by this date to avoid additional charges and water disconnection



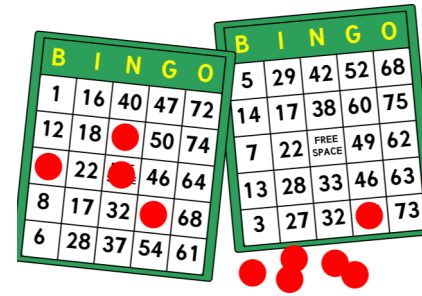
Bulk pick-up days

- Normal trash pick-up **must** be out prior to 7:00 am



L.O. BUD IRBY SENIOR CENTER

NEW YEAR, NEW FRIENDS, NEW YOU



COME CHECK OUT THE L.O. BUD IRBY LAKE WORTH SENIOR CENTER.....

JOIN US ON MONDAYS FOR..... SASSY SENIORS DANCE CLASS @ 10AM

PLAY BINGO TUESDAYS.....9AM-11AM.....WIN A PRIZE....BRING A FRIEND

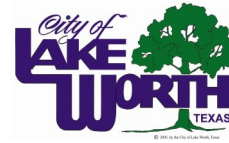
LEARN TO DRAW / PAINT.....WEDNESDAYS @ 12NOON.....TAUGHT BY ARTIST JOYCE YOUNG HERE AT THE SENIOR CENTER.

THURSDAYS.....DANCE, DANCE, DANCE...BELLY DANCE @12NOON AND JOIN US FOR LINE DANCE @ 1PM. COME GET HEALTHY WITH US.

FRIDAYS ARE FUN DAYS... TGIF BANDS PLAYING LIVE MUSIC EACH FRIDAY 10AM-12NOON, ALL GOSPEL MUSIC 3RD FRIDAY EACH MONTH.
POTLUCK LUNCH...EACH FRIDAY @ 12NOON...EVERYONE BRINGS A DISH.

CALL THE SENIOR CENTER FOR MORE INFORMATION 817-237-3281.
CHERYL VESS.....SENIOR CENTER COORDINATOR.
OPEN TO MEMBERS AGED '55' YEARS AND BEYOND.





THE DIRTY DOZEN

TOP 12 CODE COMPLIANCE VIOLATIONS

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Listed below are the top twelve (12) code compliance violations in the City. Please make sure that you know what they are and that you do your part to keep them out of your neighborhood.

#1 High Grass and Weeds

Grass and weeds cannot exceed 12 inches in height on any property in the City. Please make sure to keep your yard mowed.

#2 Parking on a non-paved surface

Motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and/or RV's cannot be parked in your yard. They must be parked in your driveway or on the street.

#3 Junk, Trash, and Debris

No rubbish, brush, or any other objectionable, unsightly, or unsanitary matter is allowed to collect or be present upon the property.

#4 Junk Vehicles

Self-propelled vehicles must:
Have current registration and inspection;
Not be junk, dismantled, or discarded;
Not be inoperable for more than thirty (30) days.

#5 Bulk Trash Out Before the 20th

Bulk Trash cannot be placed out to the curb any earlier than the 20th of the month for pickup.

#6 Watering Restrictions

Check with the Utility Billing Department for current watering restrictions 817-237-1211 x 110.

#7 Garage Sale Permit Required

A permit is required to conduct a garage/yard sale, please contact the Permit Clerk for more information. 817-237-1211 x 112.

#8 Selling Vehicles from Private Property

A person may not sell more than three (3) vehicles in a twelve (12) month period from private property and the vehicle and property owner must be the same.

#9 Working Without a Permit

Please check with the City's Building Development Department prior to starting any construction work to make sure a permit is not required. 817-237-1211 x 112.

#10 Pets Must Be Licensed

Pet owners must provide proof of rabies vaccination and license their pet through the city annually.

#11 Solicitors

Individuals/Companies wishing to solicit business must be properly licensed with the city and carry proper identification of such.

#12 Substandard Structures

Those structures which are not structurally sound or have various code violations which may cause the building to be unfit for occupancy.

The Mary Lou Reddick Public Library and
the Second Thursday Book Club welcome:

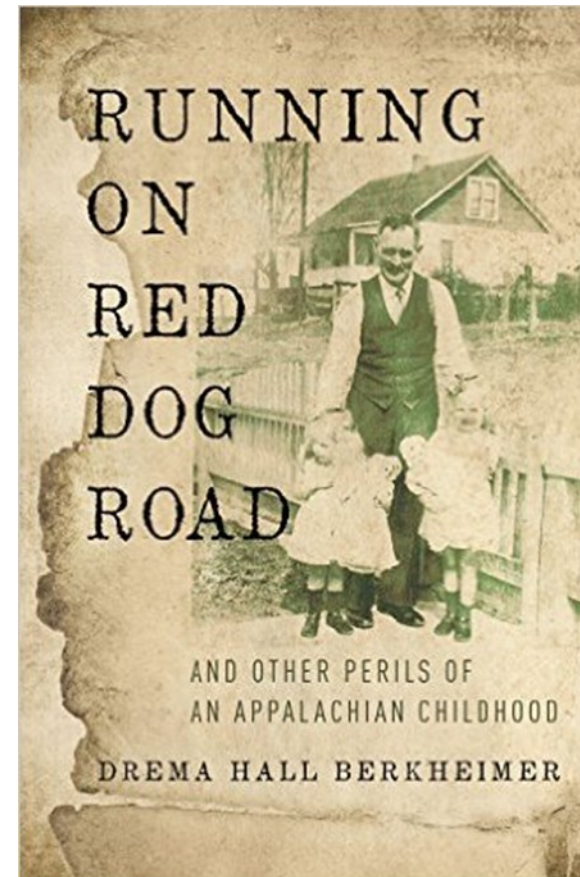
DREMA HALL BERKHEIMER

Book Talk and Signing

**Thursday
January 12th
Noon – 1:00PM**

**7005 Charbonneau
Lake Worth, Texas**

Light Refreshments Served
Please RSVP | 817-237-9681



Born in a West Virginia coal camp called **Penman**, Drema Hall Berkheimer now lives on **Word** Street in Dallas, so maybe writing was her destiny all along. Her memoir, *Running On Red Dog Road*, is a testament to her life in small town Appalachia, the child of a miner killed in the mines, a Rosie the Riveter mother, and devout Pentecostal grandparents. Chapters from *Running on Red Dog Road* won First Place Nonfiction and First Honorable Mention Nonfiction in the 2010 WV Writers Competition and were published in *WV South*, an award-winning magazine where she has been a frequent contributor. She has memoir, fiction, flash fiction, poetry, and essays published in numerous online and print literary journals and other publications. Author website: <http://dremahallberkheimer.com/>



LAKE WORTH POLICE

Community Outreach Program

The City of Lake Worth Police Department has created a Community Outreach Program to educate our community on social issues that may exist or arise. The Community Outreach Program works to build relationships and safer communities by providing information and addressing concerns. Our hope is that we come together through programs and services such as:

Holiday Safety

Fire Safety

Active Shooter

Mosquito Control

We will provide educational material and have a question/answer segment during each course. We welcome suggestions for upcoming topics and will develop a course that will be beneficial for all involved.

WE NEED YOUR HELP! Without your participation and attendance we do not have a program! Please help us get the word out and build this program for our community.

Location

Lake Worth Multi-Purpose Center

7005 Charbonneau Road

2nd Monday of every month at 6:30 pm

*******Upcoming Topics*******

January 9, 2017 – Community Safety and Awareness

February 13, 2017 – Code Enforcement

Utility Billing Department

Watering restrictions are YEARROUND:
No watering between the hours of 10:00
AM to 6:00 PM.



KNOW YOUR WATERING SCHEDULE

MONDAY
No watering with sprinklers or irrigation systems
TUESDAY & FRIDAY
Non-residential sites (apartments, businesses,
parks, common areas)
WEDNESDAY & SATURDAY
Residential addresses ending in 0, 2, 4, 6, 8
THURSDAY & SUNDAY
Residential addresses ending in 1, 3, 5, 7, 9



Just a reminder, the Utility Billing Department does not
accept payments made by check for less than \$5.00.

Payment options are to pay in person, by mail, or by making
a payment through nCourt (either online or by tele-
phone subject to an additional fee per transaction). All
payments received prior to 6:00 pm on a business day
will be posted the same day.

nCourt: Online www.lakeworthtxpmts.com or telephone 1-
855-796-5763. You must have your account number to
pay.

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



Numbers to Remember

City Hall	817-237-1211
Public Works	817-237-7210
Library	817-237-9681
Senior Center	817-237-3281
Police	817-237-1224
Animal Control	817-237-1224 x 315
Code Compliance	817-237-1211 x 111
Fire	817-237-7461
Chamber of Commerce	817-237-0060
Tarrant Co. Tax	817-238-4436
(Property Tax & Car Registration)	
DPS (Drivers License)	817-238-9197
County Clerk	817-238-4420
Health Dept.	817-238-4441
LW Post Office	817-237-5128
Progressive Waste	817-222-2221

Bulk Pick-Up Dates:

Week of January 23 - 27, 2017

Week of February 20 - 24, 2017

Bulk Pick-Up Reminder: Bulk is picked
up is the last full week of the month.
Brush **MUST** be put out **PRIOR** to first
day of pick up, **but NOT BEFORE**
midnight on the 20th of each month
(to avoid being cited).

The City of Lake Worth has a
new website. Check it out at
www.lakeworthtx.org. You
may now follow us on
Facebook and Twitter.

