City Hall Hours
Monday-Friday
8am - 5pm

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CITY OF LAKE WORTH

November-December 2019

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

Council Meetings

- November 12
- December 10

City Holidays

Thanksgiving
Nov. 28 & 29

Christmas
Dec. 24 & 25

New Year's
Jan. 1

Bulk pick-up

- November 25-29
- December 23-27

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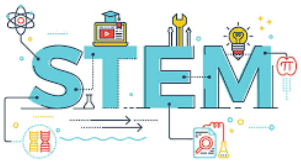
Mary Lou Reddick Public Library

November & December Programs



After School STEM Play

Build, Create & PLAY with Legos, K'nex, Magnetic Tiles & more!

November 7th

December 5th

3:30 – 5:30 PM

FAMILY GAME NIGHT

November 21 | 4:00 – 6:00 PM

Join us for a Family Game Night with S'mores! Family friendly board games will be available, or you can bring your own. FREE and FUN for the entire family!

Holiday Programs

Storytime with Mrs. Claus

December 17th at 4 - 5 PM

Family Ornament Making

December 19th at 4 - 6 PM

Preschool Storytime

Wednesdays at 10:30 AM

Children 2-5 can listen to stories, make crafts and learn new songs!

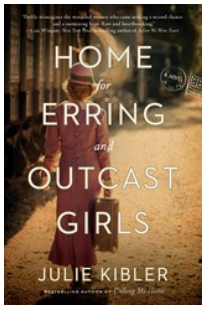
Tail Waggin' Tutors

November 20
December 18
3:45 PM

Practice your skills by reading to our furry friend, Bane!

JULIE KIBLER

Author Visit & Book Signing
January 9, 2020 | 12:00 PM



Julie Kibler is the author of *Home for Erring and Outcast Girls* and the bestselling *Calling Me Home.*

Library Closed

November 28, 29 & 30
December 24 & 25
January 1

Library Hours:

Tues & Fri: 9 AM – 5 PM
Weds & Thurs: 9 AM – 7 PM
Sat: 9 AM – 1:00 PM
Closed Sun & Mon

Address:

7005 Charbonneau
Lake Worth, TX 76135
(817) 237-9681
www.lakeworthtx.org

Mary Lou Reddick Public Library

L.O. Bud Irby Lake Worth Senior Center November & December Programs

Join us for Silver Sneakers

Wednesdays | 1:00 PM

Have fun with exercises designed to increase muscular strength, range of movement and activities for daily living. Hand-held weights, elastic tubing with handles and an exercise ball are offered for resistance. Taught by Joyce from the Y.

The 400 Party!

November 8 | 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

You're invited! We're throwing a special party celebrating the Center's 400th member! Live music starts at 10 am, followed by a potluck luncheon at noon.

FAMILY GAME NIGHT

November 21 | 4:00 – 6:00 PM

Join us for a Family Game Night with S'mores! Family friendly board games will be available, or you can bring your own. FREE and FUN for the entire family!

Elizabeth Creamer's 100th Birthday Party

November 21 | 11:30 AM

Celebrate with birthday cake and sandwiches.

Please, no gifts!

Center Closed

November 25 - 29
December 24 & 25
January 1

White Elephant Gift Exchange

December 13th
12:30 PM

Bring a gift ($15 or less) to participate in the exchange immediately following our potluck luncheon.

Family Ornament Making Class

December 19th
4:00-6:00PM

All ages are welcome. Supplies provided.

Senior Center Hours:
Monday – Friday
8:30 – 3:30 PM
www.lakeworthtx.org

Address:
7005 Charbonneau
Lake Worth, TX 76135
(817) 237-3281

Lake Worth Senior Center

NOVEMBER 2019 CODE COMPLIANCE INITIATIVE

BUILDING/HOUSE NUMBERS DISPLAYED

Making sure help (police, fire, ambulance, etc.) knows where to find you is very important when seconds count. Help Emergency Responders protect you and your family in the event of an emergency; by making sure your address is visible. Emergency Responders can locate you quicker when they can easily find your address.

Give your structure proper identification… By posting the address in the correct location you allow delivery services, postal services, and utility service providers to find you quicker as well. Without the address properly posted these services may not be able to find you and may even refuse service.

City Code requires that all buildings shall have address numbers, building numbers or building identification on the structure itself in a position that is plainly legible and visible from the street or road fronting the property. The numbers shall contrast with their background. Address numbers should be in Arabic numbers or alphabetical letters. Numbers shall be a minimum of four (4”) inches high with a minimum stroke width of one half (½”) inch. Where access is by means of a private road and the building address cannot be viewed from the public way, a monument, pole or other sign or means shall be used to identify the structure.

HELPFUL TIPS FOR DISPLAYING ADDRESSES

- House numbers should be displayed on the building itself and in a prominent and conspicuous place, so as to be legible from the street.
- All numbers should be a minimum of four (4”) inches high with a minimum stroke width of one half (½”) inch.
- When practical, the numbers should be placed near a light so that they may be readily seen at night. If the numbers are not illuminated, they should be reflective.
- The colors of the numbers should be in sharp contrast to the color of their background.
- Numbers are easier to read displayed horizontally, not vertically.
- Make sure the numbers are not blocked/covered by trees, vines, or other vegetation.

DECEMBER 2019 – CODE COMPLIANCE INITIATIVE

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

Routine Maintenance is crucial to keeping your home in tip top shape and proper working order. Review the Fall Maintenance Checklist below for tips on proper maintenance:

1. Roof: Check the roof and around vents, skylights, and chimneys for leaks. Repair as necessary.

2. Attic: If there is no ridge vent, keep gable vents open year-round to ensure proper ventilation.

3. Gutters: Clean the gutters and drain pipes so leaves won't clog them and be sure they drain away from the house. (Fall: In cold-climate areas) Drain outside faucets.

4. Fireplace: Clean the fireplace of ashes. (Fall) Check the chimney for loose or missing mortar. Have the chimney professionally cleaned. Make sure the damper closes tightly. (Spring) Leave the damper open for improved ventilation if the home is not air-conditioned.

5. Filters: Remember to clean or replace filters once a month, or as needed. Check and clean the dryer vent, air conditioner, stove hood, and room fans. Keep heating and cooling vents clean and free from furniture and draperies.

6. Safety Equipment: Ensure that all smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors, and fire extinguishers are in good working order. Replace batteries in appropriate devices as needed, or at least twice each year.

7. Air Conditioner: (Fall: In cold-climate areas) Remove window air-conditioners or put weatherproof covers on them.

8. Refrigerator: Make sure your refrigerator door seals are airtight. Test them by closing the door over a dollar bill. If you can pull the bill out easily, the latch may need to be adjusted or the seal may need to be replaced. In addition, if you have a coil-back refrigerator, vacuum the coils at least twice each year. Your refrigerator will run more efficiently with clean coils. Also, stock up! A full refrigerator uses less energy than an empty one.

9. Faucets: Check for leaky faucets in the kitchen and bathroom(s). Replace washers as necessary.

10. Windows and Doors: Seal drafty doors and windows. If you added up all of the small cracks where heating and cooling escapes from a home, it would be the same as having a window open. Replace seals as needed.

11. Storm Windows and Screens: (Fall) Take down screens (if removable type) and replace with storm windows. (Spring) Remove, clean, and store storm windows (if removable). Check and patch all door and window screens. Put screens up (if removable type).

12. Siding and Paint: Look for cracks and holes in house siding or paint. Replace caulk if necessary. A carpet knife can work well for cutting away old caulking from house siding. Slice down alongside it from both directions with the hook-like blade, then use the knife to lift out the old caulk bead intact.

14. Heating System: (Fall) Have the heating system serviced. Change filters.

15. Hot Water Heater: (Fall) Drain the hot water heater. Remove sediment from the bottom of the tank.

NEW FEE SCHEDULE

Effective October 1, 2019

Lake Worth City Council approved an ordinance repealing various fees addressed throughout the Code of Ordinances and replaced them with a newly adopted Fee Schedule. The newly adopted schedule lists all the fees in one convenient, easy to access location on the city's website, titled Fee Schedule, Exhibit A. This update also allows for greater transparency of fees charged for service by the city. Updates to fees charged by the city were evaluated and given careful consideration by staff and the City Council prior to adoption.

Please visit the City's website at www.lakeworthtx.org for the complete Fee Schedule listing. If you have questions, please contact our Customer Service Department at 817.237.1211.

Animal Shelter Supply Drive

October 4th-November 1st

Your donation will go a long way towards helping a shelter cat or dog be more comfortable and happy while waiting on a forever home.

DROP-OFF LOCATIONS

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M.L. REDDICK PUBLICK LIBRARY or the
L.O. BUD IRBY LAKE WORTH SENIOR CENTER
Located at 7005 CHARBONNEAU

Wish List Items

- **- Wet cat food**
- **- Cat treats**
- **Dog treats (pig ears, etc., something they can chew)**
- **Cat toys**
- **Dog toys**
- **- Dog and cat beds**
- **- Liquid detergent**
- **- Leashes (slip lead)**

Tarrant County Donates 12 Acres for Texas State Veterans Home

On August 6, 2019, Tarrant County Commissioners unanimously approved the donation of 12 acres of land to the Texas Veterans Land Board for the purpose of operating a skilled nursing facility benefitting our Texas Veterans.

Rendering of a skilled nursing facility to be constructed near the Tarrant County Resource Connection.

The Veterans Land Board in the Texas General Land Office operates the Texas State Veterans Homes serving veterans who are over 65 and in need of affordable skilled nursing home care who have a service-connected disability. Currently there are only nine other similar facilities throughout the State.

With approximately 84,000 veterans 65 years of age and older living in Dallas and Tarrant Counties, this much needed 120 bed skilled-nursing facility will serve our qualified veterans in and around Tarrant County. "The county will benefit from this facility because it will allow a loved one to stay closer to their home since other state Veterans' homes are not located near north Texas and are spread throughout the state," Thomas Bel- ton III, Director of Tarrant County Veterans Services stated.

The design phase has begun on the new facility which will be conveniently located next to the Veterans hospital and Tarrant County Resource Connection where Tarrant County Veterans Services is located.

Lake Worth Municipal Court

Safe Harbor Initiative

Anyone who has outstanding warrants with the Lake Worth Municipal Court is urged to appear at the court office to resolve their outstanding charges. Defendants that appear in the court office *will not be arrested* for outstanding warrants issued by the Lake Worth Municipal Court. You may be eligible for alternative ways to payment, such as community service or a reduction in the fine amount.

Your warrants will be recalled, and you will be scheduled to see the Judge to discuss your situation. Please contact the Lake Worth Municipal Court at 817-255-7910 to see if you have any outstanding charges that need to be resolved or if you have any questions.

Office Hours:

Monday thru Friday

8:00am-5:00pm

3805 Adam Grubb, Lake Worth, Texas 76135

MUNICIPAL MUNCHIES

HONEY PECAN TRIANGLES

2 teaspoons plus ½ cup butter, softened, divided
½ cup packed brown sugar
1 large egg yolk, room temperature
1 ½ cups all-purpose flour
TOPPING:
1 cup packed brown sugar
½ cup butter, cubed
¼ cup honey
½ cup heavy whipping cream
4 cups chopped pecans

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line a 13 x 9 baking pan with foil, letting ends extend up sides; grease foil with 2 teaspoons butter. In a large bowl, cream remaining butter & brown sugar until light & fluffy; beat in egg yolk. Gradually beat in flour. Press into prepared pan. Bake until golden brown, about 15 minutes. Meanwhile, in a large saucepan, combine brown sugar, butter & honey. Bring to a boil over medium heat, stirring constantly; cook & stir for 3 minutes. Remove from heat; stir in cream & pecans. Pour over crust. Bake until hot & bubbly, about 30 minutes. Cool completely on a wire rack. Lifting with foil, remove from pan. Cut into 24 squares. Cut squares diagonally into triangles.

Yield: 4 dozen

Just a reminder...

November 7 – February 7 is the time frame used to calculate the new sewer charge for residential water accounts. The new rates are effective April 2020 water bill.

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

2019 Holiday Schedule
No Trash Services

November 28
December 25
January 1

Director of Public Works - $92,258 annually or higher, DOQ

Patrol Officer-$50,000 annually or higher, DOQ

Lake Worth Municipal Court

Municipal Court Texting

If you receive a citation from a Lake Worth Police Officer and provide your cell phone number, the Municipal Court will send out reminders regarding your citation, so you don't miss any important dates. If you have received a citation and want to update your phone number please contact the Municipal Court at 817-255-7910 and a clerk can assist you.

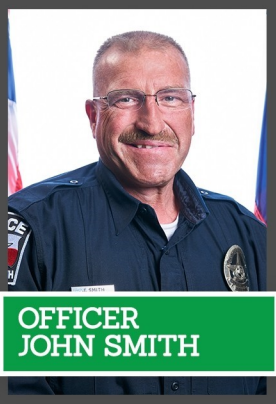
Operation Santa

We will be set up through out Lake Worth to collect new un-wrapped toys and accept monetary donations for children in our community that otherwise may not receive gifts this Christmas. If you would like to make a donation, but are unable to visit one of our location sites feel free to bring them to the police department no later than December 14, 2019

Friday	November 29, 2019	10:00AM-3:00PM	Wal Mart
Saturday	November 30, 2019	1:00PM-6:00PM	Hobby Lobby
Saturday	November 30, 2019	3:00PM-8:00PM	Tractor Supply
Thursday	December 5, 2019	4:00PM-9:00PM	Wal Mart
Friday	December 6, 2019	3:00PM-8:00PM	Wal Mart
Friday	December 6, 2019	3:00PM-8:00PM	Hobby Lobby
Sunday	December 8, 2019	11:00AM-3:00PM	Chili's
Friday	December 13, 2019	12:00PM-5:00PM	Community National Bank
Friday	December 13, 2019	4:00PM-9:00PM	Wal Mart
Saturday	December 14, 2019 2	2:00PM-7:00PM	LWPD Drive Thru Event

Lake Worth Police Department
3805 Adam Grubb
Lake Worth, Tx 76135

YOUR LWISD RESOURCE OFFICERS



OFFICER JOHN SMITH

LOCATION
LAKE WORTH HIGH SCHOOL

CONTACT
JSMITH@LAKEWORTHTX.ORG
(817) 306-4200 (X3045)

HIGHLIGHTS
19 YEARS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT EXPERIENCE
ADVANCED PEACE OFFICER LICENSE
CERTIFIED CRIME PREVENTION SPECIALIST
LAW ENFORCEMENT INSTRUCTOR

Officer Smith is a veteran police officer who is excited to bring his vast experience to LWISD.

OFFICER CRAIG WILLIAMS

LOCATIONS
N.A. HOWRY INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL,
EFFIE MORRIS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL,
AND DAEP

CONTACT
CWILLIAMS@LAKEWORTHTX.ORG
(817) 306-4200

HIGHLIGHTS
16 YEARS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT EXPERIENCE
ADVANCED SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER CERTIFICATION
ADVANCED PEACE OFFICER LICENSE

Officer Williams is an experienced school resource officer who has served LWISD, its students and staff for more than a decade.

What is a School Resource Officer (SRO)?

By definition, an SRO is a career law enforcement officer, employed
by a police department or agency in a community-oriented policing assignment to work in collaboration with one or more schools.

What is the role of a Lake Worth PD SRO?

Provide safe learning environments in our community's schools;

- Provide valuable resources to school staff members;
- Foster positive relationships with students;
- Develop strategies to resolve problems affecting youth;
- Protect all students, so that they can reach their fullest potential.

What resources can SROs provide to parents and guardians?

Lake Worth Police Department's SROs are available to meet with parents and guardians to discuss a wide variety of issues that may be of concern. SROs cannot give legal advice, but they can help explain the legal system and offer tips on how to navigate it Most of the time, SROs serve as informal counselors and mentors rather than law enforcement officers.

Property Enhancement Program

Enhance your existing business!

Before

After

Before

After

The ***City of Lake Worth*** has recently adopted a comprehensive matching-grant program that can provide funds for enhancements to your business facility. A maximum matching grant of $5,000 is available for properties and existing businesses meeting eligibility requirements.

Program Goals

Enhance the viability and sustainability of commercial properties in the City

Improve the appearance of businesses and enhance commercial corridors

Increase the marketability and occupancy rate of commercial buildings

Provide in areas and to businesses most likely to stimulate private investment

This program is intended to help existing businesses' bottom line by attracting more customers to their enhanced facility. A wide variety of enhancements makes it easy to find a good fit for your business.

Eligible Enhancements

Building facades
Interior renovations
Landscaping
Lighting
Parking and driveways
Pedestrian Amenities
Signage
Utilities

Please contact the City of Lake Worth to discuss potential benefits for your business and pick up an application for a matching grant. 2019-03-20

City of Lake Worth Texas

For information: (817) 237-1211

Utility Billing Department

Payment options are to pay in person, by mail, or by making a payment online through The Payment Group for an additional fee. All payments received prior to 5:00 pm on a business day will be posted the same day.

www.thepaymentgroup.com
PH: 888-744-0584

You **must** have your account number and amount due to pay.

If you have any questions, please call the Utility Billing Department at 817-255-7900.

Watering restrictions are YEAR-ROUND: 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

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	817-238-8738
Code Compliance	817-237-1211 x 111
Fire	817-237-7461
Chamber of Commerce	817-237-0060
Tarrant Co. Tax (Property Tax & Car Registration)	817-238-4438
DPS (Drivers License)	817-238-9197
County Clerk	817-238-4420
Health Dept.	817-238-4441
LW Post Office	817-237-5128
Waste Connections	817-222-2221

It's easy to join our mailing list!

Just send your email address by text message:
Text
LAKEWORTH
to 22828 to get started.
Message and data rates may apply.

Lake Worth Museum
7001 Charbonneau Rd
Hours:
Thursday – Saturday
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Annual Membership Dues:
Individual……..$10
Family……..$15
Business…….$25

NOVEMBER						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Bulk pick-up 25-29						
*Thanksgiving Day & day after						

DECEMBER						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Bulk pick-up 23-27						
*Christmas Day & day before						

- City Holiday
- Water bill due 15th
- Late water bill due 28th
- Bulk pick up days
- 1st day to set out bulk items
- Last day to set out bulk