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Calendar

March 10 - Daylight Savings Begins Set your clocks forward one hour

March 12 - Community Luncheon Noon-1pm

Payment Windows Closed for Lunch

March 12 - P&Z Meeting at 6pm

March 12 - City Council Meeting at 7pm. Pre-Council preceding

March 29-31 - Easter Weekend

Luncheon Guest TEDDI WIGGINS

Court Appointed Special Advocates of Tarrant County (CASA)



A nonprofit organization of volunteers who stand up on behalf of abused and neglected children



Coburn's will cater smoked ham, roasted new potatoes, green beans, salad, and iced tea

Please bring your favorite dessert. Sponsored by the Crime Control and Prevention District

LIBRARY NEWS

Our sincere thanks to Librarian Glenda Block for her many years of dedication to Westworth Village. Glenda has touched the lives of our children through books and provided them the confidence to believe nothing is impossible. Join us in wishing her well.

Please welcome Librarian Rhonda Hines. We look forward to her success. We encourage all residents to become active patrons of the library.

ARE YOUR CLOSET LIGHT FIXTURES SAFE?

Closet light fixtures are very often ignored by residents. Improperly installed incandescent closet lights can result in a closet fire. When your light is turned on, the ignition temperature of any combustible materials positioned next to the light bulb will gradually drop. Make sure you do not have stacked boxes, plastic bags filled with clothing or any kind of paper positioned next to a glowing and/or exposed light bulb and keep items at least 18" away from any light fixture.

SPRING CLEANUP & COLLECTION DAY SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2013

The Annual Spring Cleanup and Collection Day is coming. It will include three (3) separate events, each with their own scheduled times. Acceptable items are electronics, environmental collection, and things you no longer want or need. No mattresses or appliances are accepted. Please bring your most current water bill or proof of residency for identification.



CALL 811 BEFORE YOU DIG

Regardless of the size of your project, before you dig, call 811 before working in the area of a pipeline.

The one-call service will notify the operator, who will locate and mark the pipeline for you before you dig.

STREET SWEEPING Monday, April 22 8am - 5pm

Mr. Sweeper will clean our streets on Monday, April 22 from 8am to 5pm. All vehicles must be off of the streets.

MAYOR'S CORNER

Greetings fellow residents of Westworth Village. If the old adage "as goes January, so goes the year" is true, then we are in for a great 2013. The weather is pleasant, the stock market is up, and the City is doing very well.

Street and infrastructure reconstruction of Carb Drive and Holloway Street completed ahead of schedule. Work on Aton and Tracyne will begin next month, and future projects are being planned.

We continue to see growth in commercial and residential development. The P&Z Commission and Council are working with developers to bring an Independent Living/Assisted Living Complex into town. The Fairways Subdivision is almost sold out.

We have seen an increase in code compliance as residents maintain their properties and older homes are being renovated. Simple tasks like cleaning up yards and replacing fences increase property values and the overall appearance of our community. It is nice to see a resurgence of pride in our Village. We truly do live in the "Hidden Jewel of the Metroplex". (If you didn't know, that is our City motto.)

Our City is very fortunate. From elected officials and staff to volunteers, management is strong as each and every person is committed to making our Village a better place to live. Our community leaders give their time and expertise. They, individually and collectively, provide the leadership necessary to preserve our way of life, while steering this small City to be competitive and successful among other cities in the Metroplex. I appreciate everything they do. You too can share your knowledge by volunteering to work on our many committees and boards. Please contact the City Secretary for more information.

Under the leadership of Councilman Steve Beckman, the Vision Committee met with community leaders and designed "Our Pathway to the Future". The City will use the Vision Plan to manage future development while marketing our many assets to both commercial and residential investors. We look forward to receiving your feedback in this area.

Councilwoman Jill Patton and the Library staff have almost completed the technology upgrades started last year. New staff members have been hired and are making improvements to the facility. If you are interested in volunteering a few hours per week, please contact the City Secretary for an application. We welcome you to visit the Library with your children and make reading a daily part of their lives.

The City Council accepted the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Audit this month. We remain fiscally strong and are "on target" in this year's budget. I am already working with staff on next year's budget proposal. I expect to continue our infrastructure reconstruction plan as well as develop new programs for improved community services.

The City will hold a General Election on Saturday, May 11th, for Mayor, Council Place 1, and Council Place 5. These positions carry a two year term. Candidate filing period ends March 1st. For more information, contact the City Secretary, Carol Borges. I encourage all residents to come out on May 11th and cast your vote. It is your right as citizens to be heard.

Be sure to read our monthly newsletter, website updates, and general postings to keep abreast of our work at City Hall. I invite all residents to attend our monthly luncheon, sponsored by the Crime Control and Prevention District (CCPD). This is an opportunity for us to come together for good food, engaging "topics of interest", and fellowship. Luncheons are held on the second Tuesday every month in the Community Room, at 12 Noon.

Council meetings are also held the second Tuesday of the month, at 7pm. We encourage your attendance and participation at these meetings. Citizen input directly impacts the future of our community. Come and learn more about "your government".

It continues to be my honor to serve you as Mayor. Feel free to contact me at City Hall anytime.