

Westworth Village Vews

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Calendar

September 2 - Labor Day Holiday Administrative Offices Closed

September 10 - Community Luncheon Noon-1pm Payment Windows Closed for Lunch

September 10 - 7pm First Budget Public Hearing and City Council Meeting. Pre-Council preceding.

September 17 - 7pm Second Budget Public Hearing



September 20 - National POW & MIA Recognition Day

September 24 - 8am Approve Budget and Tax Rate

<u>Lunch Guest Speaker</u> Assistant Principal T.M. Bigley Burton Hill Elementary



Mr. Bigley will discuss upcoming events for this school year

7aco Loco Catered Lunch

Chicken and beef tacos served with spanish rice and refried beans



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

ANNUAL FALL CLEAN-UP (Trash Only) Saturday, September 14, 2013 - 7am to 4pm

Gather all of your old junk and trash and bring it to City Hall. There will be men on hand to help you unload your vehicles. This service is provided by Progressive Waste Solutions and the City of Westworth Village. To participate, bring your water bill or proof of residency. *We cannot accept* paints, tires, oil, insecticides, items that are harmful

<u>We cannot accept</u> paints, tires, oil, insecticides, items that are harmful to the environment, refrigerators, air conditioners, or any other Freon bearing items.

LIBRARY FALL SCHEDULE

Thirty-five children signed up for our Pop Open a Good Book summer reading program. Congratulations to Erika Velasco for reading the most books. We had a great time with the Preschool Story Time and Read Aloud Lunch. Preschool Story Time will continue on Fridays at 10:30am. No story time will be conducted on September 20 or 27.

The following hours are modified for September:

Tuesday, September 3 - Closed

September 18, 19, & 20 - Open only from 5:30pm to 7:00pm September 24 thru 27 - Open only from 5:30pm to 7:00pm Saturday hours will remain the same during these two weeks.

NATIONAL POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY

National POW/MIA Recognition Day is observed on the third Friday in September. Americans across the United States pause to remember the sacrifices and service of all of those who were Prisoners of War (POW), Missing in Action (MIA), and their families. All military installations fly the National League of



Families' POW and MIA flag to remember those who were imprisoned while serving in conflicts and those who remain missing.

SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD NEEDED

The Police Department needs a new crossing guard this school year. The schedule is Monday through Friday, two shifts per day. The times are 7:10am to 8:00am, and 2:50pm to 3:15pm. The pay is \$200 every two weeks. If you or someone you know is interested, please access our website at www.cityofwestworth.com/employment and fill out the application. The position will remain open until filled.

Phone: 817-710-2500 www.cityofwestworth.com Fax: 817-710-2501

FY2013-2014 BUDGET INFORMATION

On August 13th, the FY2013-2014 budget for the City of Westworth Village was submitted to the City Council by the Finance Committee for their review and approval. The budget as proposed maintains the current tax rate and level of City services. As a result of additional funds from the sale of Certificates of Obligation, the City will be able to maintain its aggressive pace of rebuilding streets with Tracyne East and Coleman streets slated to be rebuilt in FY2013-2014. The Finance Committee is recommending we maintain our current water rates and make up an anticipated shortfall in revenue in the utility billing out of reserves while evaluating the potential for rate increases in the FY2015-2015 budget. There are no cost of living raises contemplated in the FY2013-2014 budget with a couple of small salary adjustments being made in order to bring compensation for those positions in line with market rates. The City is continuing to receive substantial revenue in the form of gas well royalties; however, these funds are currently being set aside for future road projects. A copy of the budget is available for your review in the lobby of City Hall or on the City website at www.cityofwestworth.com.

WEST NILE VIRUS

The chance of any one person becoming ill from a mosquito bite remains low. The risk of severe illness and death is highest for people over 50 years old or those with serious health issues. Take the following steps to defend yourself against West Nile virus:

- 1) Dusk & Dawn are when mosquitoes are most active. Stay indoors and avoid outdoor activities.
- 2) Use insect repellent with the active ingredient "DEET". Follow instructions on label.
- 3) Dress in long sleeves, long pants, and socks when you are outside. Spray the outside of thin clothing with repellent containing DEET. **Do not** spray repellent on your skin *under* your clothing.
- 4) Drain standing water outside your home, flowerpots, rain gutters, and old tires. These are breeding sites for mosquitoes.
- 5) Check your fitted screens on windows and doors to ensure proper installation.
- 6) Report dead birds to the Fort Worth Health Department at 817-321-4700.

CITY DROUGHT ORDINANCE

We are still under Stage 1 water restrictions. Westworth Village Code of Ordinances Article 13.07.032 prohibits irrigation by underground or portable sprinkler systems on any day between 10a.m. and 6p.m. Conserve water to avert drought conditions. Rain is a natural substitute for watering your yards. Re-set your sprinklers according to weather conditions. For more valuable information, please access www.savetarrantwater.com.