



# Watauga City Newsletter ~ April 2016

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April City Council Meeting: April 25, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

All City Offices will be closed March 25, 2016 in observance of Good Friday.

## Mayor's Message



Hector Garcia  
Mayor

The month of April means that preparations have been made by the City Council to continue moving the future of Watauga forward. Strategic Planning was completed in early February and the Council and staff are ready to turn the plans into action as time and funds permit. I was very proud of how the Council worked together to provide our citizens with what they desire for Watauga in the future. With great professionalism and support, staff provided valuable input on how to achieve where we want to be. I can assure everyone that all Council Members and staff are behind the idea of serving our citizens with the utmost proficiency through longevity in servitude, achieving certifications, and continuing to pursue educational opportunities to fully embrace the duties of being a public servant. The City Council's vision encompasses maintaining all City Services and the great quality of life we are able to offer our citizens. This is what makes Watauga "A Great Place to Live".

## Business Spotlight-Mattress Store



I have worked for over 30 years for several of the world's largest mattress manufacturers. I took my gained knowledge and expertise and decided to make my own line of mattresses. My goal was to offer affordable sleep to the average working family. I believe everyone should be able to afford a good night's sleep! I



am very proud of the fact that we bring our customers great pricing, quality and service. Our mattresses are personally made by my business partner and me. This unique ability ensures that we can oversee supreme quality on every mattress we build. We will work with our customers that are in need of customizing their mattress as well.



We are excited to be a part of the City of Watauga. We would love the opportunity to help you get a great night's sleep too! Come visit our showroom at 6751 Rufe Snow Drive, Suite 200, our website at [www.platinumbeddingdfw.com](http://www.platinumbeddingdfw.com) or give me, Lonnie Lewis, a call at 817.656.4840.

## Employment Opportunities

The City of Watauga is looking for exceptional people to join our team. Visit our website [www.wataugatx.org](http://www.wataugatx.org) to view our Employment Opportunities.



## Got Drugs?

Safely dispose of your unused or expired medication at the Watauga Police Department. The prescription drop box is located in the lobby of the police department. Lobby hours are Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. No ID required. This service is available to residents of the City of Watauga and surrounding cities.

### CITY DEPARTMENTS

#### Community Center

817.514.5803

#### Senior Adult Center

817.514.5892

#### Job Line

817.514.5801

#### Municipal Court

817.514.5715

#### Public Library

817.514.5855

#### Public Works

817.514.5806

#### Water Billing

817.514.5705

#### Fire Department

817.514.5770

#### Police Department

817.514.5870

#### Animal Service Center

817.656.9614

#### Citizen Concern Line

817.514.5815

### **EMERGENCY**

**911**





## General & Special Election - May 7, 2016

The City of Watauga is a Home Rule Municipality and operates under a Mayor-Council-Manager form of government. The Mayor and seven (7) Council Members are elected at-large. The City Secretary serves as the Election Officer for the City of Watauga. City elections are conducted in accordance with the Texas Election Code, and will be Saturday, May 7, 2016. For more information, please contact Zolaina Parker, City Secretary at 817.514.5825 or by e-mail at [zparker@wataugatx.org](mailto:zparker@wataugatx.org).

### GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2016

There will be a General Election to elect City Council Places 1, 2, 6 and 7 on Saturday, May 7, 2016. For more information, please contact the City Secretary's Office at 817.514.5825.

### SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2016

There will be a Special Election to reaffirm 1/4 cent sales tax for street maintenance on Saturday, May 7, 2016. For more information, please contact the City Secretary's Office at 817.514.5825.

### EARLY VOTING SCHEDULE

April 25-29, 2016	Monday-Friday	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
April 30, 2016	Saturday	7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
May 1, 2016	Sunday	11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
May 2-3, 2016	Monday-Tuesday	7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

**\*EARLY VOTING SITES** will be located throughout Tarrant County. For your convenience, Watauga City Hall, 7105 Whitley Road, will be a site in Watauga. For more information on other site locations, please contact Tarrant County Election at 817.831.VOTE (8683).

You may also view a listing online at [www.tarrantcounty.com/evote/site/default.asp](http://www.tarrantcounty.com/evote/site/default.asp)



ELECTION DAY VOTING  
SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2016  
WATAUGA CITY HALL  
7105 WHITLEY ROAD



Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

The City of Watauga is looking for citizen volunteers to serve on various boards, committees, commissions and corporations. The City Council relies on these groups to make informed decisions, and it is a perfect opportunity for citizens to get involved in their local government.

Citizens may serve on more than one board, committee, commission or corporation. If you are interested in serving the City of Watauga, please contact the City Secretary's Office at 817.514.5825 for more information. You may also fill out the form electronically on the City website at [www.wataugatx.org](http://www.wataugatx.org), or pick one up at the City Hall.

## Public Works



The City of North Richland Hills is awarding a construction project for street improvements on Rufe Snow Drive from Watauga Road to Ridgetop Road. The street shall be reconstructed and widened adding additional lanes. Chapman Road shall be widened about 370 linear feet off the centerline of Rufe Snow Road. Additionally, work shall extend on the following streets Avalon Drive, Summertime Drive, Oaklawn Drive, Harrison Way, and Hightower Drive to tie the streets to the new profile of Rufe Snow Drive. Additional project information is on our website at [www.wataugatx.org](http://www.wataugatx.org) or by calling 817.514.5806.





# Coming This Spring

## Wild West Watauga Fest



**Capp Smith Park**  
**May 19-22, 2016**

Saddle up your horses and buckle up those spurs. It's time again for the Annual Wild West Watauga Fest. Come enjoy our Live Music on the main stage from **Poo Live Crew**, **Me and My Monkey** and **Le Freak!** Take a leisurely stroll through the old Watauga depot where you will find treasures a plenty! The kids can enjoy midway rides at the Carnival. When you get a hankerin' for a bite to eat, we have you covered with some of the tastiest treats this side of the Mississippi. Wild West Watauga Fest will also host a second stage area where local dance groups and aspiring young musicians will perform.

**May 19** -6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.  
Carnival

**May 20-6:00 p.m.-11 p.m.**  
Carnival, Food Trucks/Vendors  
& Live Music  
POO LIVE CREW- 8:30 P.M.

**May 21-10:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m.**  
Carnival, Food Trucks/Vendors,  
Music-Me and My Monkey-5:30p.m.  
Le Freak-8:30 p.m.

**May 22-** 12:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.  
Carnival

### Watauga Senior Adult Center-7857 Indian Springs Rd.

#### AARP Tax Aide

**Wednesdays**

April 6- April 13, 2016  
12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Watauga Community Center  
7901 Indian Springs Rd  
Call for an Appointment  
817.514.5892 or  
817.514.5828

Must pick up Intake Form prior to  
appointment

#### AARP Smart Driver Course

**Wednesday, May 11, 2016**

12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. (One Day o Hour Class)

**\$15.00 AARP Members \$20.00 Non Members**  
(AARP Membership Card required for discount.)

**\*Drivers 18 and up can attend this program.**

Watauga Senior Adult Center  
7857 Indian Springs Rd.  
Call 817.514.5892 to RSVP.

***\*To receive a discount on your insurance con-  
tact your Agent to see if you qualify.***



**Life Line Screening**

Thursday, April 14, 2016  
8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Watauga Community Center  
7901 Indian Springs RD  
Call 800.897.9177



**Thursday, May 5, 2016**

**8:00 am to 1:30 pm**  
Will Rogers Memorial Center  
Fort Worth

**Register early to guarantee  
a free box lunch & free parking!**



#### **EXPLORE Fort Worth Scavenger Hunt**

West Magnolia Avenue  
Sunday, April 24, 2016  
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Compete for Fabulous Prizes!**

Fun for all ages and pets welcomed. Teams who complete the hunt with all clues correctly solved will be entered into a drawing for a special prize. Door prizes will be awarded throughout the event. There is a discounted entry fee for participants from the Watauga Senior Center. Information and to Register contact:

Chuck Burton email: [cburton@scstc.org](mailto:cburton@scstc.org)  
Vickie Atchley 817.514.5292 or email: [vvickers@wataugatx.org](mailto:vvickers@wataugatx.org)

Senior Synergy Expo provides Tarrant County boomers, seniors and caregivers with a forum to learn more about living a healthy, safe and productive life. This huge event offers free health screenings, workshops and entertainment along with 100+ registered exhibitors.

[www.seniorsynergyexpo.com](http://www.seniorsynergyexpo.com)



# Watauga Public Library Events: April 2016

## Edible Book Festival

Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>  
5:00 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.

In honor of National Library Week the library will hold its 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Edible Book Festival. Create an edible book inspired by a novel, author or favorite character. Be silly or serious. Be creative and have fun! All entries will be displayed, photographed, judged and eaten. You don't have to be a food artist to participate. Children are welcome with parents. Cooks should practice excellent standards of hygiene. Include a list of all the ingredients in your creation. Your item cannot be included without an ingredient list.



## Plant Exchange followed by Master Gardener Presentation

Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>

Plant exchange: 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Presentation: 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Join the library for a presentation on Vegetable and Herb Gardening by Tarrant County Master Gardener, Jackie Peel. There will also be a plant exchange before the presentation for those who'd like to participate. Please clean soil from plants and trim the foliage. Bring each variety in a labeled container.

## Jane Austen Ankle-Boot Camp

Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup> 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

If you love to read or love history, this is the perfect program for you! Learn about England during the Regency period and the novels of Jane Austen. Lawyer and member of the Jane Austen Society of North America, Chris Peirson will provide a fascinating presentation followed by a Q&A session.

## Read 'Em and Eat: a Foodie Book Club

Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup> 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Join book lovers and foodies as we discuss a new book every month and share food inspired by the story. April's book is *Day of Honey: A Memoir of Food, Love and War* by Annia Ciezadlo. Be sure to read the book and bring a dish to share. If you can't bring food, don't worry. Come and visit and discuss the book.

## Meditation Workshop

Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Learn how to relax and unwind in a stress-filled world.

## Genealogy Meetups

Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> and April 25<sup>th</sup> 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Are you new to genealogy and don't know where to begin? Do you want to share discoveries you've made? Then this is the group for you! Come learn and exchange tips with our genealogists.

## Scrapbooking Club

Wednesday, April 27<sup>th</sup> 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Join us and make this month's project.

**PLUS, much more!**

**Stop by the Library for the full events calendar.**

## Story Time

- April 5 & 6 Pirate Parade (Dress Up!)
- April 12 & 13 Musical Instruments
- April 19 & 20 Earth Rocks
- April 26 & 27 April Showers



## WizArt Club, Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

We will create a 3D paper lizard!

WizArt is a volunteer group of art students from the Art Wheel Studio located in Keller, TX. They will offer free art classes at the Watauga Public Library the third Friday of each month to children 5 to 12 years of age. Registration is required and you may register at the Youth Desk. Registration for the December class begins on Thursday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. Space is limited to 25 students. All supplies will be provided.

## International Leadership School of Keller Art Show

April 5<sup>th</sup> - April 15<sup>th</sup>

Don't miss the art show by the talented students from International Leadership School of Keller on display at the Library.

## Bilingual Story Time, Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup>

5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. with Mrs. Paola Baucom

(First Thursday of every month at 5:00 p.m.)

Join us for a very special time of stories and crafts for children 6- to 10-year-olds. We will enjoy stories in Spanish and English. Activities will teach participants about Spanish language and culture. Non-Spanish speakers will use the program to help them learn Spanish in a fun way. The program will help Spanish speakers connect with their Spanish heritage.

## Pokémon League, Mondays, 6:00 p.m. to 7:50 p.m.

Bring a starter pack of Pokémon cards and join Pokémon enthusiast at the Library. All skill levels are welcomed. Volunteers are available to help beginners.

## Chess Club, Wednesday, 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Teen volunteers will provide the instruction. All skill levels are welcome.

## Math Club, Thursday, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

(6<sup>th</sup> grade to 12<sup>th</sup> grade)

**Middle School & High School Students Only**

If you are a middle school or high school student and need help with math (Algebra I to BC Calculus), come to the Library. Teen Volunteers will be available to help you with your math homework. This program is for middle school and high school students only.