



# City Newsletter



## City Council Meeting: September 3, 2014

### City of Watauga

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### Mayor's Message



**Hector Garcia**  
Mayor

What is a mayor? A mayor is the person designated as the formal head of a city as mandated by the State or charter of the city. For the City of Watauga, the person holding the position of mayor must meet certain eligibility requirements. Those requirements include the following: Must be a resident of the city and of the State of Texas at least 12 months immediately preceding his or her election, must be a qualified voter of the State of Texas and of the City, must be 21 years of age or older at the time of filing or assuming office, not be employed by the City, not hold another governmental elected office, not have been determined to be mentally incompetent by a final judgment of the court and shall not have been convicted of a felony offense or misdemeanor offense involving moral turpitude.

The mayor has several duties he or she must perform. These duties include presiding over all meetings of the Council, voting only in the case of a tie, and signing all contracts and conveyances made or entered into and all bonds issued under provisions of the Charter. The mayor has veto power on ordinances and resolutions and is recognized as the Chief Executive of the City by the court of competent jurisdiction for the purpose of serving civil process. The mayor is also designated as the Disaster Management Director by executive order of the Governor and has the authority to declare a state of emergency whenever necessary. The mayor also has the power to recommend the appointment or removal of the City Manager, City Secretary and City Attorney with final approval being made by the Council.

The City's current mayor, Hector F. Garcia, acts a representative of the city in many other activities that may affect the citizens of the city or the governing body. Mayor Garcia is an active participant and board member of the Northeast Tarrant County Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member of the Northeast Leadership Forum, the Tarrant County Mayor's Council, the Regional Transportation Council and the BISD Bond Committee. Mayor Garcia also participates in continual education and training through the Texas Municipal League and maintains an open dialog with ~~the~~ both Texas and National representatives, all in an effort to make Watauga, "A Great Place to Live!"

### Board of Appeals

The Watauga City Council approved the creation of the Watauga Board of Appeals during the May 19, 2014 City Council Meeting. The board was established to hear and decide all appeals regarding orders, decisions or determinations made by the Building Official or Fire Code Official relating to the interpretation of the city's building or fire code. If you or any other Watauga residents you know have experience in the building trades and are willing to serve on this board please contact the City Secretary's Office at 817.514.5825 for further information.

### CITY DEPARTMENTS

#### Community Center

817.514.5828

#### 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

#### Hotline

817.514.5815

**All City Offices will be closed September 2, 2013 for Labor Day. Trash pick-up will not be affected.**

# Watauga Public Library Events

Weekly Event Information Available Online at: [www.cowtx.org/library](http://www.cowtx.org/library)

*Wataugatx.org*

## Doctor Who Party

Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

A night of fun for Doctor Who fans of all ages! Join us at the Library for Doctor Who-inspired games, activities, prizes, and treats. Costumes are highly encouraged! Space is limited. Reservations required.

## HarpEssence Performance

Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m.

Join us for an afternoon filled with beautiful harp music. Five local harpers will share an exciting musical program followed by a question and answer session. Kids can even come up at the end of the show and touch the harps.

## Get Organized- How to Organize Yourself and Your Child

Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Be sure to attend this practical workshop for parents of preschoolers through middle schoolers, presented by Get Organized! founder & president Lorraine Brock. You can learn to manage your family's personal and kids' papers, keepsakes, household chores, allowance system, and toys. A Question-and-Answer session will follow Lorraine's presentation.

## Library Mystery- The Mummy's Tomb

Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Register early to participate in this year's annual Library Mystery. This year's Mystery features an Ancient Egyptian theme. Attendees will explore the Library and search for clues in this creative scavenger hunt. This event will be great fun for adults, teens, and families. Reservations required. Space is limited.

## Homework Help Center

Resumes on Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>.

Tuesdays, 3:45 p.m.-5:45 p.m.

Thursdays, 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

The Homework Help Center is open during the school year and offers help with homework at no charge to students in 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grades. Parents must register at the Library. Call 817-514-5865 for more information. **Volunteers ages 16 to adult, especially bilingual in English/Spanish, are needed for the Homework Help Center.** If you are interested in volunteering, please call the Volunteer Coordinator at 817-514-5865 or stop by the Library.

## Youth Programs

**Story Time is on vacation. It will start again on September 30, 2014.**

**Bilingual Story Time will not take place during September, but will return on Thursday, October 2, 2014, <sup>from</sup> 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

**Chess Club will not be held during September. It will resume on Wednesday, October 1, <sup>from</sup> at 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

**Pokémon** will continue during September on Monday nights from 6<sup>:00</sup> p.m. to 7:50 pm.

**Yugioh**-Friday afternoons from 5 to 6<sup>:00 p.m.</sup> p.m.

Come celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month on Saturday, September 27, <sup>at</sup> 2:00 p.m. <sup>in</sup> at the Watauga Public Library.

**The Dallas Puppet Theatre** will present *Fiesta Mexicana!* Don't forget to stop by the craft table and make a piñata. While you're at the Library, make sure you check out the Youth and Adult Spanish Collection.





## Watauga Parks

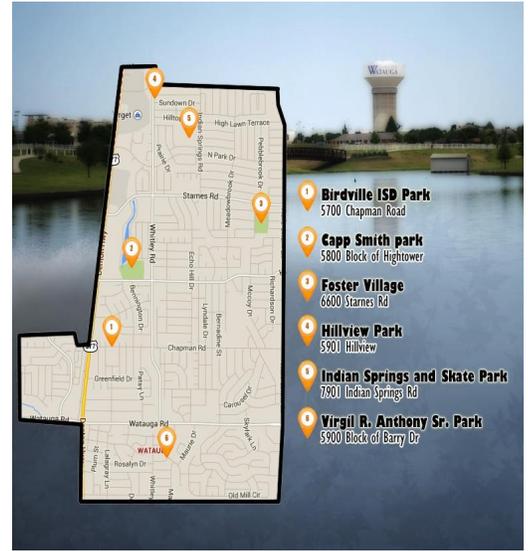
The City of Watauga offers its residents seven uniquely equipped parks strategically placed within its four square mile borders including Birdville ISD Park, Foster Village Park, Hillview Park, Indian Springs Park, Virgil R. Anthony Senior Park and the Watauga Skate Park. The crown jewel of Watauga however, is Capp Smith Park.

Capp Smith Park, the center of recreational activities and breathtaking views for citizens of Watauga and surrounding communities, is located off Highway 377 and Hightower Blvd, right behind the Watauga City Hall Complex. This 37 acre park features a lighted one mile walking trail that surrounds a spring fed one acre pond fully stocked with several species of aquatic wildlife. In addition, the park is home to several other forms of wildlife which have also taken up residence in the park.

Capp Smith Park is host to several events throughout the year that include the City's "Kid Fish Camp-out" in September, the "Running Scared" 5k family fun run in October, the annual Christmas tree lighting in December and the City's signature Wild West Watauga Fest in May. It features four pavilions, eight acres of open space, fishing

opportunities, two playgrounds, a shaded amphitheater and a soon to be dedicated Veteran's Memorial.

With amenities such as playgrounds, basketball and tennis courts, covered pavilions, picnic areas, walking trails, baseball, soccer and kickball fields, Watauga's parks have something for everyone. For more information about the City's parks, please call 817.514.5828.



## Watauga Improving Neighborhoods

Hello Watauga!

In April, the City Council approved the Watauga Improving Neighbourhoods (WIN) Program working in partnership with World Changers non-profit organization to perform residential revitalization throughout the City of Watauga. World Changers recently completed the first four of these home revitalizations within the city. Volunteers replaced rotted wood and siding, cut trees, caulked windows, painted and all types of general maintenance. This program is designed to address the need to keep properties maintained and in good condition which helps maintain the appearance and value of the entire neighbourhood and City overall. For more information, or to see if you qualify for this program, contact Jessica Carr at 817.514.5853 or go to the city's website and type in "win application" in the search window. See you next month!

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### Watauga Animal Services Center

5203 Watauga Rd 817.656.9614  
Saturday, September 13, 2014 10a.m. - 12p.m.

Texas Coalition for Animal Protection (TCAP) will be joining us to provide low cost vaccinations and other various pet services.

Cash or Charge ONLY

#### TCAP Services:

Rabies Vaccination	\$5.00
Flea and Tick Prevention	\$12.00
Heartworm Prevention	\$25.00-\$35.00
Other Various Vaccines	\$10.00-\$15.00

#### Watauga Animal Shelter Services:

Micro-chipping	\$15.00
City Registration	\$5.00

'LIKE' us on Face Book: [www.facebook.com/WataugaAnimalServices](http://www.facebook.com/WataugaAnimalServices)



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# Senior Center Programs

## UNT Health Science Center Senior Help Program

Memory Loss Presentation  
Monday, September 15, 2014  
10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

Watauga Senior Adult Center  
7857 Indian Springs Rd.



Friday, September 26, 2014  
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

NRH Senior Center  
6000 Hawk Avenue  
NRH, TX 76180

## Albertsons Flu Vaccine Clinic



Thursday, October 2,  
2014   
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Influenza / Flu  
Pneumococcal  
Shingles (*must call in advance*)  
**(817) 431-8985**  
Tetanus, (Tdap)

Watauga Senior Center  
7857 Indian Springs Rd.

## AARP Smart Driver Course

Wed., October 8, 2014

12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Watauga Senior Adult Center  
7857 Indian Springs Rd.

**\$15.00 AARP Members**

**\$20.00 Non Members**



## Free Lunch & Learn

Medicare & Medicaid Information

Upcoming Annual Enrollment

Friday, September 12, 2014

11:00 a.m. @ the Watauga Senior Adult  
Center RSVP your seat.

## Annual Seasoned Angler Fish-Off

Friday, October 10, 2014

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Capp Smith Park  
5800 Robin Dr.

*Come join in a fun day of fishing and hearing  
some of the Longest, Wisest Fish Tales.  
Prizes will be awarded.*

*Call (817) 514-5892 for more information.*



October 3, 2014

8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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

FBCE Campus West,  
205 N. Industrial, Bedford, TX.

(Northwest Corner of Hwy. 183 and N.  
Industrial)

## KIDFISH AND CAMPOUT 2014

September 19, 2014

6:00-10:00 p.m.

Capp Smith Park

5800 block of Robin Drive

Watauga, TX 76148

Join us for a hot dog dinner, which will be served at 6:00 p.m.  
The fishing derby starts at 7:00 p.m. and goes until 10:00 p.m. Poles and bait  
will be provided or bring your own. Prizes will be awarded.

**Youth 17 and under must be accompanied by a parent/adult.**

The event is FREE and donations are accepted to support the community fishing outreach  
efforts of the **KIDFISH** Foundation. Make sure to bring your tent to stay overnight at Capp Smith Park  
and enjoy a night under the stars!

**KIDFISH** is an outreach program designed to educate and provide a hands-on fishing experience.  
The lake will be stocked with adult sized channel catfish giving participants an excellent  
opportunity to land "The BIG One". Prizes and trophies will be awarded by age categories.

