

City Offices will be closed Monday, May 25th 2015 for the Memorial Day Holiday.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING:
MAY 18, 2015 6:30 P.M.

Mayor's Message



Hector Garcia
Mayor

The month of May is a very exciting time for the City of Watauga for many reasons.

First, May is when the City holds elections for City Council positions and this year our election is scheduled for May 9th at City Hall. Early voting begins on April 25th and lasts through May 5th, 2015. I urge everyone to exercise their right to vote.

Second, May typically means that the end of another school year is near. Many of us are getting ready to travel and enjoy summer vacations. This is a wonderful time to enjoy the company of family and to reminisce about the fun times we have experienced together like Watauga Fest, Kid Fish or other community events that we have shared.

Third, May signifies the end of another tax season. For many of us, this means we may be receiving our tax refunds from the IRS and that we might be ready to do some shopping. I encourage you to continue supporting our local businesses. Our retailers appreciate your patronage.

Speaking of taxes, I would like to remind our seniors over the age of 65 years to apply for the over 65 tax exemption on their homesteads. Each of the taxing entities will reduce the home valuation and thusly reduce the amount of property taxes you have to pay each year.

Finally, please be mindful of our school children, the physically impaired and elderly, particularly in cross-walks and school zones.

Let us all enjoy our community together and continue to make Watauga, "A Great Place to Live!"

Watauga City Hall
7105 Whitley Road
Watauga, TX 76148

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Monday - Friday
(excluding holidays)

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 Line

817.514.5815

Business
Spotlight
of the Month



**WATAUGA
SMALL
BUSINESSES**

Please join the City of Watauga in celebrating our small businesses during **Watauga Small Business Week May 4-9th**. Shop Small Saturday is May 9th. Use **#ShopSmallSaturday** to show off all the deals you score from our fabulous small businesses in Watauga.

Small businesses play an integral role in the health of our local economy. Not only do they provide excellent jobs for Watauga's citizens, but they also create a sense of place and uniqueness for our community. More information about Watauga Small Business Week can be found on page 2 of the newsletter, or you may contact Victoria Vaughan, Economic Development Coordinator, at 817.514.5813.

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 a.m. to 5 p.m. This service is available to residents of the City of Watauga and surrounding cities. No ID required.

Accepted

- Prescriptions
- Prescription Patches
- Prescription Medications
- Prescription Ointments
- Over-the-counter medications
- Vitamins
- Samples
- Medications for pets

Not Accepted

- Inhalers
- Aerosol Cans
- Lotions or Liquids
- Hydrogen Peroxide
- Needles (Sharps)
- Thermometers



WATAUGA

SMALL BUSINESS WEEK

May 4 - 9 2015

Monday – Breakfast Mob 7:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m. (Joe’s Coffee Shop – free coffee with purchase of breakfast) – Join us for breakfast and learn about inspiring local business stories and a free tool that can give you a leg up on the competition. Robin Lasher with the Tarrant Small Business Development Center will be presenting. Please RSVP. Join the conversation using **#MotivationalMonday**.

Tuesday – Tip Tuesday - Offer business advice and tips you have learned along the way using **#TipTuesday**.

Wednesday – Webinar Wednesday – Want expert business advice, but not at an expert cost? Join us for engaging and relevant webinars led by industry experts using **#WebinarWednesday**.

Thursday – Throwback Thursday – No, we don’t want your childhood pictures, but we do want to see how your business has grown and evolved in Watauga. Show us your business history with **#ThrowbackThursday** or **#TBT**.

Friday – Lunch Mob 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (Pickles BBQ – Discounted off-menu lunch for attendees) – Spend your lunch break learning online strategies for your website, social media, and search engine optimization (SEO) to engage your customers and grow your business. Digital Brand Makeover will lead the discussion. Please RSVP. Use **#FollowFriday** to thank your loyal, online customers for their likes and follows.

Saturday – Shop Small Saturday – Monday through Friday is just not enough time to celebrate all of Watauga’s small businesses. So get out and shop local on Saturday, May 9th. Show us what deals you score using **#ShopSmallSaturday**.

Contact Victoria Vaughan at 817.514.5813 or vvaughan@wataugatx.org for information or to RSVP



Get Social!!
#WataugaSBW
#SBW2015



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more info

Small Business Facts:

- 1 Over 50% of Watauga businesses are small, local businesses
- 2 There are 2,366,053 small businesses in Texas
- 3 Texas small businesses employ half (4.1 million) of the state’s private workforce
- 4 Texas small businesses account for 1/3 of the state’s total known export value

Watauga Public Library Events

Library Hours

Monday & Thursday 12:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Saturday 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Summer Reading Club 2015

“Every Hero Has a Story”

Mark your calendars! Summer Reading Club Registration begins Wednesday, June 3rd! In keeping with the Watauga Public Library tradition this year’s program is bigger and better than ever. The Summer Reading Club is free and open to all children birth to 18 years. You don’t want to miss any of the weekly programs and events. A brochure with all the exciting activities planned for the summer will be available in the Library and online by May 4th. All Teens interested in volunteering at the Library during the summer need to attend **one** of the Teen Volunteer Orientations at the Library. The orientations are scheduled for Monday, May 7th and Thursday, May 11th at 5:00 p.m. Teens will be asked to fill out a volunteer form. This form must be signed by a parent/guardian and may be returned at a later date. A brief meeting will be held to discuss duties and responsibilities of Teen Volunteers. This meeting should last about 30 minutes. All Teens will need to fill out a new volunteer form, even if you have previously volunteered. We need to keep our information current.

Triple Threat Texas Show Choir by the Center of Home Education

We are honored to have the Triple Threat Texas Show Choir perform for us at the Library on Thursday, May 14th at 6:30 p.m. They will present a preview of their upcoming musical, “Annie Get Your Gun”! This program is for the whole family!

Watauga Public Library Art Club

Friday, May 15, 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Make a Father’s Day Tie!

Teen Volunteers 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, beginning May 1st. Space is limited to 20 students. All supplies will be provided.

Bilingual Story Time

Thurs., May 7 at 4:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m. with Mrs. Paola Baucom

(First Thursday of every month at 4:00 p.m.)

Join us for a very special Story Time for children 6 to 10 years. 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.

Pokemon League Night! 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 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Teen Volunteers provide the instruction.

Story Time!

Toddler Time 10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Preschool Story Time 10:30 a.m -11:00 a.m.

May 5th & 7th

Happy Mother’s Day

May 12th & 13th

Beautiful Butterfly

May 19th & 20th

Outdoor Fun!

May 26th & 27th

Wonderful Whales!

Cooking Well with Diabetes Lesson Series

May 5th, May 12th, and May 19th

12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Learn about how to eat and cook to help manage your diabetes. Classes will include Carbohydrate Foods, Make Recipes with Fat Better for You, and Reducing Sodium/Increasing Fiber. Cooking demos will be a part of each class. A free cookbook will be given to those who attend all three classes. Call 817.514.5865 to register.

Possibility Fair

Saturday, May 16, 2015

12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Come and learn about the great services and resources available in Tarrant County. Representatives from various organizations will be at the Library to answer questions and explain what their organization can do for you. Job help, education, health & wellness, and more! There’s something for everybody!

Living with Diabetes, Presented by Tarrant County Public Health

Saturday, May 16th

1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

This informative presentation will give you the tools to manage your diabetes. Blood pressure and BMI screenings will be available to participants following the class. Call 817.514.5865 to reserve your spot.

What Would Jane Wear?

Thursday, May 21st

6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Learn about the fashion and customs of Regency England as Jane Austen expert and historic-fashion connoisseur Baronda Bradley provides a fascinating presentation followed by tea and pastries. Ms. Bradley will be wearing and exhibiting her Regency-inspired fashions including clothing and accessories. Call 817.514.5865 to reserve a spot.

Exploring Your Family Tree Genealogy Class

Monday, May 11th

6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Join genealogists as they assist you with researching your family history. The instructors will help you overcome any obstacles in investigating your ancestry. This class is good for beginners and experts alike.

Homework Help Center

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 1st through 6th grades. Parents must register at the Library. Call 817.514.5865 for more information.



Watauga Summer Camps

Camp Ton Of Fun

Date: June 8-July 24, 2015
Time: Mon. - Fri. 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

This program is designed for children ages 3-6 years old. Children participate in structured educational and recreational activities including art and crafts, story time, physical fitness programs and much more. This Camp will be held at Foster Village Center

Camp Watauga

Date: June 8-July 24, 2015
Time: Mon. - Fri. 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

This program is designed for children ages 7-12 years old. Children will participate in daily organized activities including field trips, physical fitness, reading time and free play with friends. This camp will be held at The Watauga Community Center.

Register at the Watauga Community Center-7901 Indian Springs Road.
Call 817.514.5828 for information regarding all fees associated with Watauga Summer Camps or visit us at www.wataugatx.org. All program tuition fees must be paid at the Watauga Community Center.

Registration

Resident-April 6, 2015
Non-Resident-May 4, 2015

MEOWS & HOWLS

Watauga Animal Services Center
5203 Watauga Rd 817.656.9614
Saturday, May 9, 2015
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.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	\$10.00
Heartworm Prevention	\$20.00-\$30.00
Other Various Vaccines	\$10.00

Watauga Animal Shelter Services:

Micro-chipping	\$15.00
City Registration	\$5.00

'LIKE' us on Facebook:

www.facebook.com/WataugaAnimalServices

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING



The City of Watauga has completed its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for FY2014 and you may access the report on the City's website. The Report includes various financial information to include Government wide financial statements and statistical data. The City of Watauga has received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the past twenty-nine consecutive years.

AARP Smart Driver Course

Wednesday, May 13, 2015
12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Watauga Senior Adult Center
7857 Indian Springs Rd.

\$15.00 AARP Members
\$20.00 Non Members

(Must Bring AARP Membership Card to receive discount). To receive a discount on your insurance, contact your Agent to see if you qualify.

Drivers 18 and up can attend this program.

Call 817.514.5892 to RSVP

Must have 10 participants for class to make.



Seasoned Anglers Fishing Derby

Capp Smith Park

5800 Robin, Watauga, TX

Friday, May 29, 2015
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Register between 8:00 –10:00 a.m.

Start Fishing: 9:00 a.m. Prizes Awarded: 12:30 p.m.

For more information, contact Vickie Atchley at 817.514.5892

50+ Anglers come join us for a fun filled day of fishing and prizes.



Hello Watauga!

Have you considered how costly a water leak can become if left unrepaired for a lengthy amount of time? It might just amaze you. Running toilets account for the vast majority of leaks found inside the home. While nobody wants to admit their toilet leaks, it is estimated that about 20% of all toilets leak slightly. A toilet leaking one gallon every five minutes will cause the usage to jump by more than 8,500 gallons in a month—and you may never hear the water running. A service line leak as small as 1/32" of an inch can cause a loss of 6,000 gallons per month. Normal household usage is between 7,500 and 10,000 gallons of water per month. That would almost double a utility bill.

Whether in the bathroom, service line or at a faucet, don't hesitate to repair small leaks as soon as you notice them. The money you save can be better enjoyed on other activities. For more information, contact Public Works at 817.514.5806.

