



# City Newsletter



## AUGUST CITY COUNCIL MEETING: AUGUST 17, 2015

**City of Watauga**  
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### Mayor's Message

First, I would like to personally congratulate Council Member Krausse on the addition of another beautiful baby girl to their family. We are all very proud of you "Papa Krausse!"

The month of August will be a very busy month for the City Council and City staff as we work towards a balanced budget for next year. Revenues for the City have slowly decreased while operational expenses continue to increase. To this point, staff has continued to remain very frugal with overall expenditures while efficiently maintaining all of the services currently enjoyed by our citizens. Department Heads, the City Manager and the Finance Director have made every effort to reduce outlays while preserving the functions of each department.

Being frugal is a strategic approach, but it is equally important to maintain services at the current levels whenever possible. One way the citizens of Watauga can help to do this is by aiding the businesses throughout the City with your patronage before going elsewhere. Many of the local businesses within Watauga rely upon the investments citizens make within their shops and purchases of their products to remain profitable.

So, let's work together to support our local businesses while making Watauga, "A Great Place to Live!"

### Street Maintenance Sales Tax Dollars at Work in Watauga

The ¼ cent Street Maintenance Sales Tax that Watauga voters adopted in May, 2012 provides funding for repairs and maintenance of existing streets in the City.



The sales tax has funded the City's street maintenance and overlay program for the past three years. Many Watauga streets have benefited from this sales tax including Bonnie Drive, Douglas Drive, Gayle Drive, Greenfield Ct., and Maurie Drive (shown at left).

The 2015 Street Overlay Program includes Inwood Drive, Dove Ct., Ridgewood Drive, and Linda Drive. The program is underway and is scheduled to be completed in September.

For more information, please contact our Public Works Department at 817.514.5806 or visit us at 7800 Virgil Anthony Sr. Boulevard.

**CITY DEPARTMENTS**

**City Hall**  
817.514.5800

**Community Center**  
817.514.5828

**Senior Adult Center**  
817.514.5892

**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

**EMERGENCY  
DIAL 911**



The \$1.00 donation on your utility bill goes to support the Watauga Public Library's programs and services. Please take a moment to think of the Library when you pay your water bill. Thank you.





### Hello Watauga!

Did you know your thermostat is an easy item to overlook for maintenance? Always make sure that the thermostat is level. Sometimes they can get bumped or moved and this will affect its performance. Dirt or dust is the greatest problem that will cause a thermostat to malfunction. Dust the openings to the thermostat and you can usually remove the cover to clean more effectively. There are more efficient digital thermostats nowadays that will allow you to program your settings in order to save money. This is also a great time to wash your exterior A/C coil, just take the garden hose and wash the debris from the coils. These tips will improve efficiency and save you money. For more information, contact Public Works at 817.514.5806.



## 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL EMPTY THE SHELTER

Empty the Shelter Day is an effort to find homes for hundreds of pets across the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. An unprecedented number of cities and animal shelters; both municipal and non-profit, throughout North Texas join forces to offer free adoptions on this one very special day.

**Saturday, August 15, 2015 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
**Watauga Animal Services 5203 Watauga Rd.**

The Shelter will be full of wonderful pets, all in need of a loving home. ALL adoptions will be **\*\*FREE\*\*** and include pet sterilization, vaccinations, deworming and micro-chipping.



For more information,  
please call 817.656.9614



## Business Spotlight of the Month



## Ja Vintee Massage

At JaVintee Massage, we sincerely believe in the quality of care for our clients, and we are committed to the satisfaction of every individual. We do not just offer a massage, but a body healing experience. We have helped clients with sciatica, shoulder/neck problems, neuropathy, lower back issues, tennis/golfers elbow, carpal tunnel, fibromyalgia, multiple sclerosis, plantar fasciitis, scar tissue and adhesions, and plenty more. Our licensed massage therapists provide rewarding massages to ensure that our clients have a holistic experience of renewing the mind, body and soul. We cater to anyone's needs through massage therapy whether it is for health issues, sore muscles, or just wanting to relax in a serene environment. We truly believe in helping others. For an appointment call 817.514.6055 or visit [www.javintee.com](http://www.javintee.com).



## JaVintee Massage

817.514.6055 or 817.494.5795  
6801 Rufe Snow Dr., Suite 404  
Watauga, TX 76148

"Health Has No Value Until Sickness Comes"

## Tax-Free Weekend

Just in time for back to school shopping is the Tax-Free Weekend, set for **August 7-9, 2015**. Shoppers have the opportunity to save money on items priced less than \$100 including:



- Dresses, jeans, pajamas, baby clothing, diapers, jogging apparel, shirts, shorts, jackets, sweaters, coats, ponchos, raincoats, and gloves
- Sandals, tennis shoes, cowboy/hiking boots, and slippers
- Socks, hosiery, and underclothes
- Hats- fishing, golf, knitted, or baseball
- Backpacks

### Items not eligible include:

- Accessories such as wallets, watches, jewelry, etc.
- Shoes for sports such as cleats, rollerblades, skiing
- Buttons, zippers, and handkerchiefs
- Hard hats or hats used for sports
- Luggage, purses, duffle bags, framed backpacks

Shoppers are encouraged to check with retailers on eligible tax exempt items prior to purchase. To learn about the many local retail, food, and service businesses in the City of Watauga, log on to [www.wataugatx.org](http://www.wataugatx.org) and click the Shop Local link!

# Library

## Youth Programs

### Story Time

<b>August 4 &amp; 5</b>	Cool Critters
<b>August 11 &amp; 12</b>	Charming Cats
<b>August 18 &amp; 19</b>	Welcome Back to School
<b>August 25 &amp; 26</b>	Little Artist



### **Dallas Puppet Theatre, Friday Mornings, 10:00 a.m., July 31<sup>st</sup>, August 7<sup>th</sup>, and August 14<sup>th</sup>**

As we celebrate the end of summer vacation, join us at the Library for some amazing puppet shows presented by the Dallas Puppet Theatre. The Dallas Puppet Theater offers so much more than entertainment, they provide an unforgettable experience for the whole family!

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

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! Wednesdays, 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** Teen Volunteers provide the instruction.



## Adult Services

### Handwriting Analysis Workshop

Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Join handwriting expert Kathryn Nordstrom and explore what your handwriting says about your personality. This fun and informative program is designed for teens and adults. Reservations required.

### Library Book Club

Thursday, August 27<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Join us as we discuss Jules Verne's classic novel *20,000 Leagues Under the Sea*.

### Knitting and Crocheting Group

Every Monday from 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Newbies and experts alike are welcome to join us for a new needlework group. Learn how to knit or crochet in a fun and friendly environment. Please bring needles/hook and yarn. We have a limited number of supplies for beginners.

### Quilting and Needlework Group

Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Do you want to quilt but don't know how to begin? Have you started a quilt you want to finish? Join us for a fun time sharing the joys of quilting and needlework. Bring your current project, or, if you're just beginning, get advice from the group on where to start. We have a limited number of supplies for beginners.

### Bridge Club

Every Thursday from 6:45 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

### Chess Club

Mondays and Thursdays from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

### Rain Barrel Demonstration and Drought-Tolerant Landscape Lecture

Thursday, August 20<sup>th</sup>

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



Join Tarrant County Master Gardener Steve Chaney as he demonstrates how to create a rain barrel. He will also provide tips on creating a drought-tolerant landscape in your yard. The rain barrel will be given away to one lucky winner at the end of the presentation. Please call to reserve your spot. 817.514.5865.

## Upcoming City Council Meetings

August 17, 2015

September 8, 2015

October 26, 2015

November 16, 2015

December 14, 2015

All meetings begin at 6:30 p.m.



## Concert at Capp Smith Back to School Kickoff!

Capp Smith Park

Friday, September 4, 2015

6:30 p.m.

Bring the family out to enjoy Live Music by Matt Ingram, treats and bounce houses.



## Stay Connected!

Sign up for Blackboard Connect and be notified of Special City Events, Severe Weather Alerts, and more!

Log on to the City Website @ [www.wataugatx.org](http://www.wataugatx.org) and click on 'Notify Me' to sign up.

## Senior Adult Center-7857 Indian Springs Rd.

**AARP Smart Driver Course**  
Wednesday, September 9, 2015  
12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

\$15.00 AARP Members - \$20.00 Non Members.

(Must Bring AARP Membership Card to receive discount.)  
Drivers 18 and up can attend this program.

### One Day 4 hour Class

To receive a discount on your insurance contact your Agent to see if you qualify.  
Call 817.514.5892 to RSVP.



## Fit Pass

**Get Fit with a Fit Pass at the Watauga Community Center!**

For \$25 a month, you can take our A.M. Workout Club, Extreme, Pilates Training/Bootcamp, Yoga, Zumba, Body Works and Spin classes!

Seniors only pay \$15.00 montly!

Classes are held throughout the week.

For schedules and times, visit our website or call the Community Center at 817.514.5828.



## Meows & Howls



### Watauga Animal Services Center

5203 Watauga Rd 817.656.9614

Saturday, August 8, 2015 10:00 a.m. – 12:00p.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



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