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

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

Citizens Concern Line
817.514.5815

Emergency-911

Mayor's Message:



Hector Garcia
Mayor

The City Council completed the Strategic Planning process during the month of February. This will result in a busy month of March for City staff as they begin implementing the various facets of the strategic plan. The Council has looked at ways to move the City forward by considering plans for both short-term and long-term goals. Among one of the expected outcomes of the strategic planning process is the adoption of a Development Comprehensive Plan which should allow the City to address specific areas within the City boundaries, such as the land adjacent to the rail road tracks along Hwy. 377. The Development Plan should also outline a strategic methodology for the process of rebuilding or modernizing homes and businesses that are more than 50 years old. And, the Development Plan should also provide the City with a policy that would allow the Planning and Development Manager, Economic Development Coordinator and the Planning and Zoning Administrator to continue to retain existing businesses while providing additional ways to attract new businesses to the City. Because Watauga is essentially over 90% built-out, it is necessary that the Council be both careful and diligent when it comes to evaluating new businesses for the City. I am proud that the City Council has taken a proactive approach to city planning, while remaining transparent throughout the process. I believe this is essential to making Watauga, "A Great Place to Live!"

"All For ONE, FUN For All" WE WANT YOU!

Your ideas, wish lists, opinions and views. We are developing a Parks Master Plan to discover what our current and future Parks, Trails and Recreation activities could include. Please plan to attend our first planning meeting on Tuesday, March 15th, 6:30 p.m. at City Hall. For additional information, please contact Watauga Parks and Community Services at 817.514.5828 or storres@wataugatx.org.

Brought to you by the City of Watauga Parks Development Corporation

Which Wich Superior Sandwiches is a Dallas-based chain of nearly 400 unique sandwich shops. With over 45 sandwiches customized by you using their unique bag ordering system, you get the perfect sandwich for you! Famous for their 5-meat Wicked and Italian Grinder, they also feature vegetarian options such as a Black Bean Patty, Hummus or Caprese...customized with your choice of over 40 toppings. They also feature salads and lettucewiches (wrapped in lettuce vs. on bread) for those wanting to save a few calories. Celebrating their two year anniversary in Watauga this February, Which Wich is located at 8004 Denton Hwy #150 by the Super Target on 377/New Bursey. Catering is available along with coupons for your employees so please contact owner TJ Schier if interested at tj@whichwich.net.



Business Spotlight: Which Wich Superior Sandwiches



Dedicated Street Maintenance Sales Tax

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. Approximately \$740,000 is received annually through this dedicated street maintenance sales tax.

The street maintenance sales tax must be reauthorized by voters every four years in order to continue. Watauga voters will have the opportunity to vote for or against the reauthorization of the dedicated street maintenance sales tax on May 7, 2016.

If approved, the sales tax rate will remain at 8.25 percent in Watauga.

The sales tax has funded the City's street maintenance and overlay program for the past three years. All of the funds received are dedicated to reconstruct and repair the streets and adjacent curbs and sidewalks. Nine street projects have been completed using dedicated sales tax funds. These include: Bonnie Drive, Douglas Drive, Dove Court, Gayle Drive, Greenfield Court, Inwood Drive, Linda Drive, Maurie Drive and Ridgewood Drive.



AARP Tax Aide

Wednesdays
March 2- April 13, 2016
Watauga Community Center
7901 Indian Springs Rd.
Call 817.514.5892 or
817.514.5828 to schedule
an appointment.

****Must pick up Intake Form prior
to appointment***

AARP Smart Driver Course

Wednesday, March 9, 2016
12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. (One Day 4 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 contact
your Agent to see if you qualify.**

Life Line Screening

Watauga Community Center
7901 Indian Springs Rd.
Thursday, April 14, 2016
8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Call 800.897.9177 for appointment.



Meows & Howls!

Watauga Animal Services Center
5203 Watauga Rd. 817.656.9614
Saturday, March 12, 2016 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



The 10th Annual State-Wide Warrant Round-Up is coming this March. Take care of your warrants now to avoid an arrest in your future. Contact one of the Watauga City Marshals today.

Marshal Campbell 817.514.5831

Marshal Smith 817.514.5742

Visit us at <http://www.wataugatx.org/961/Municipal-Court> to see if you or anyone you know is on the warrant list.

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 *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.



No coolers allowed



Maintenance Tip of the Month!

Hello Watauga,

Time and winter weather can leave its effect on our properties. Take a look at the exterior of your home and see if all the eaves, trim and paint are in good shape or has Old Man Winter made his presence known. Replacing worn or rotted wood and paint not only keeps the value of your home up, it's also a requirement of city ordinance. Keeping Watauga beautiful requires the help of every property owner, resident and renter. From the streets of your neighbourhood to Watauga Towne Center, from the walking trails in Park Vista to Capp Smith Park, taking care of our city takes action by you. Get Involved. Additionally the Watauga Improving Neighborhoods Committee has a program for exterior residential revitalization. Call Stephanie Flores at 817.514.5842 to see if you qualify.



Library Youth Programs

Wake Up the Walls Awards Ceremony

An awards ceremony will be held at the Watauga Public Library on Thursday, March 3, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. All art must be picked up no later than Saturday, March 5, at 4:00 p.m.

Love your family ... Have a plan!

Thursday, March 10, 6:30 p.m.

Stephen Gochal, Community Service Officer, for Watauga Police Department will present a program on developing a family plan on how best to handle a crisis situation. Police Department Volunteers will be on hand to make Child ID cards. For further information, call the Youth Services Desk, 817.514.5866.

Down on the Farm Bunny Petting Zoo!

Wednesday, March 23rd, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Down on the Farm Petting Zoo will bring 25 bunnies for you to pet. Who knows, the Easter Bunny might just drop by when he learns that 25 of his best bunny friends are at the Library!

WizArt Club, Friday, March 18, 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

We will create a watercolor and crayon pot of gold picture! 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 March class begins on Tuesday, March 1st. Space is limited to 25 students. All supplies will be provided.

Watauga Middle School Art Show, March 14 -24

Don't miss the art show by the talented students from Watauga

Spring Break Fun at the Library

March 15, 16, and 17, 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Explore Horizons: Tutoring & Enrichment Center of Alliance will be offering an hour long, fun-filled, Story Writing Workshops at the Watauga Public Library for students in grades 3 to 6. The Workshops will focus on developing writing techniques to prepare the children to write a story of their own and show them how fun writing can be. Call or stop by the Youth Services desk any time after March 1, to sign up. Pre-registration is required. The workshops are limited to 15 participants per session. All supplies will be furnished.

March 15, 3-4 p.m. (3rd to 6th grade) Story Writing Workshop

March 16, 3-4 p.m. (3rd to 6th grade) Story Writing Workshop

March 17, 3-4 p.m. (3rd to 6th grade) Story Writing Workshop

March Story Times

March 1 & 2	Dr. Seuss Birthday Celebration!
March 8 & 9	Leaping Leprechauns!
March 15 & 16	Welcome Easter Bunny! (Be sure to bring your camera!)
March 22	No Story time
March 23	Bunny Petting Zoo, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
March 29 & 30	Enormous Elephants

Library Adult Programs

North Central Ballet Performance

Thursday, March 31st

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

We are pleased to announce an upcoming performance of the ballet Sleeping Beauty by the North Central Ballet. This will be entertaining for all ages.

Doctor Who Trivia

Thursday, March 17th

6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.

Test your knowledge of all things Doctor Who while you wait for the next season. Come alone or form a team. This event is best for teens and adults. Family teams are also welcome. RSVP required. Costumes encouraged!

Scrapbooking Club

Wednesday, March 30th

11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Join us and make this month's project.

Read 'Em and Eat: a Foodie Book Club

Friday, March 18th

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. March's book is *Cinnamon and Gunpowder* by Eli Brown. 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, March 12th

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

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

Genealogy Meetups

Monday, March 14th and 28th

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.

Homework Help Center

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

Thursdays, 5:30-7:30 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.

English Reading, Writing, and Speaking Class

Tuesday mornings from 10:15 a.m. to noon

Learn American English and culture through speaking, reading and writing. These classes will help you communicate better in English. Basic knowledge of English required. Not for beginners.