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### Regular City Council Meeting:

November 17th, 2014 6:30 p.m. Watauga City Hall

# Help us re-make history during RECYCLE BIRDVILLE!

An effort to break a world record using the most boxes to build a structure - a replica of the first Tarrant County

Courthouse located originally in Birdville (Currently Haltom City)

### AMERICA RECYCLES DAY!

DATE: Nov. 15, 2014 LOCATION: The Hills Center 6357 Blvd. 26 TIME: Construction to begin at 7:00 a.m.

You can help! We need recycled cardboard boxes, assembly materials and help with construction.

Birdville Historical Museum Contact project organizers at 817.222.7767 or email fburns@haltomcitytx.com



### November 2014



# City Newsletter

City of Watauga Offices will be closed on:

Tuesday, Nov. 11: Veteran's Day and Thurs.-Fri. Nov. 27-28: Thanksgiving Holiday For Thanksgiving the IESI trash schedule will be changed as follows: Thursday pickup moves to Friday and Friday pickup moves to Saturday.

### Mayors Message-Watauga Veterans Memorial



Hector Garcia Mayor The Watauga Veterans Memorial will be unveiled and dedicated on November 8, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. in Capp Smith Park.

The memorial represents veterans of all five military branches of the United States of America, including the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guard and is dedicated to those who made the ultimate sacrifice and served their country with distinct honor.

The City Council created the Veterans Advisory Committee during the January 2013 City Council meeting. The committee, a seven member board, was tasked with planning and developing the memorial. The committee was chaired by Andy Ivey, a former U.S. Marine during the Vietnam War and one of four Home Town Heroes for the City of Watauga in 2014.

The design of the memorial was completed by City staff.



I would like to personally thank the Veterans Advisory Committee, City staff and all those involved for this precious memorial which honors and thanks those who served our country. Their bravery has provided us with the freedom we enjoy today, and has helped make Watauga a "Great Place to Live!"

### HOLIDAY TRASH SCHEDULE AND CHRISTMAS TREE PICK-UP

With the holidays fast approaching the Trash & Christmas Trees removal schedule will be:

### Thanksgiving Day - NO PICK UP

Thursday's pick-up will move to Friday Friday's pick up will move to Saturday

### Christmas Day - NO PICK UP

Thursday's pick-up will move to Friday Friday's pick-up will move to Saturday

### Christmas Tree Removal - Trees only!

Pick-up will be on the **first (1st) two Mondays in January**, provided, that such trees are placed within five (5) feet of the curb and out no later than 7:00 a.m. If you happen to miss this pick-up you will have to place the trees out on your regular scheduled bulk pick-up day.



### <u>CITY</u> <u>DEPARTMENTS</u>

Community Center 817.514.5828

Senior Adult Center

817. 514.5892

<u>Job Line</u> 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

### What's Happening At The Library?

### **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.

Volunteers ages 16 to adult, especially bilingual in English/ Spanish and English/Vietnamese, are needed for the Homework Help Center.

### **Bridge Club**

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

Join the group on Thursday evenings for an entertaining game of bridge. Don't know how to play? No problem. Beginners and experts alike are welcome.

### **Chess Club**

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

All skill levels are welcome. For ages 18 and up. For those 18 and under, the Library has an active youth chess club which meets on Wednesdays.

### Quilting and Needlework Group

Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month from 10 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.

### ESL Reading, Writing, and Speaking Class

Tuesday mornings 10:15 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Thursday evenings from 6:30 p.m.-7:45 p.m.

Improve your English speaking, reading, and writing skills at these English classes. The teacher will also provide optional homework as well as some written exercises. Basic knowledge of English required. Not for beginners.

### U.S. Citizenship Classes

Monday, September 8th through Monday, November 10th. The Library will offer a 10-week citizenship class on Mondays from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Potential students do not need to be experts in English, but they should be able to engage in basic communication. Sign up at the Reference Desk or call us with questions at 817.514.5865.

### **GED Classes**

Call the reference desk at 817.514.5865 for more information.

### Knitting and Crocheting Group

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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.



### **Story Time!**

Nov. 4, 5 Family Fun

Nov. 11, 12 No Story Time

Nov. 18, 19 Beautiful Birds

Nov. 25, 26 Happy Thanksgiving

### The Pilgrims, November 6, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.-7:15 p.m.

The whole family is invited to a special holiday program presented by Velda Reed, a member of the Mayflower Society. Mrs. Reed will present the story of the Mayflower. The presentation will include pictures depicting the Pilgrims, their voyage and the beginnings in New England for the children of the Mayflower. There will also be a hands-on demonstration of toys similar to the toys Pilgrim children might have used! When you come for the program, make sure you check out the display case in the foyer for more interesting facts about the Mayflower voyage.

### Watauga Public Library Art Club,

### Friday, November 21, 2014 at 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Thanksgiving Mosaic Button Murals!

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 November 1. Space is limited to 20 students. All supplies will be provided.

### R.O.C.K. "Reaching out with Character and Kindness" November 3 -Nov. 26, 2014

Stop by the Youth Services Department and see the art displays created by the students of Bluebonnet Elementary School and Indian Springs Middle School in support of the Keller ISD Anti-bullying Campaign.

### Youth Chess Club is every Wednesday 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Teen Volunteers provide the instruction. There will be no Chess Club on November 26, 2014

### <u>Bilingual Story Time, Thursday, November 6, 2014</u> 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 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.-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.

### Yu-Gi-Oh! Every Fridays, 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Teen Volunteers are there to help you get started. There will be no Yu-Gi-Oh on November 28, due to Library being closed for the holidays.

### Hello Watauga!

Just as we maintain our air conditioners during summer months it is just as important to maintain and prepare the heating unit for winter. Here are a few tips:

- 1. Ensure that all ducts are clean and free of dust and debris.
- 2. Change the air filter...The Alliance to Save Energy (ASE) recommends performing an air conditioning system inspection and air filter change at least once every month during summer.
- 3. Lubricate moving parts to reduce friction and increase your HVAC overall efficiency...Some parts include fan belt, motor, pulleys, etc.
- 4. Check exhaust outlets...examine the outlet for signs of back drafting or corrosion. If they aren't working properly, your heating unit could divert dangerous gases such as carbon monoxide indoors rather than outdoors. Other heating parts that require close inspection include heat exchangers, fuel lines, as well as burners. Replace leaky fuel lines to reduce the likelihood of a fire or explosion.
- 5. Check for loose electrical connections. Short circuits increase the likelihood of component failure & decrease efficiency.

As with any maintenance tip if you do not have the expertise to diagnose and repair components, equipment or electrical, hire a professional. For more information contact Public Works at 817.514.5806.

### **MEOWS & HOWLS**

Watauga Animal Services Center 5203 Watauga Rd. 817.656.9614 Saturday, November 8, 2014 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





## Birdville Independent School District 2014 Bond Election

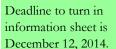
Election Day: November 4, 2014
\*Early Voting Dates: October 20 - 31, 2014\*

BISD voters are being asked to consider a \$163.2 million bond program that was developed with extensive community input by a diverse group of citizens from all parts of the district. For specific information on the 2014 bond program, visit ww.bisdbond14.net.

# Holiday Fun begins in November!

### Letters From Santa

\$2.00 per letter, per child.





For Information sheets, call 817.514.5828. You can also pick up information sheets at the Watauga Community Center, the Library and City Hall.

### Light Watauga Contest

Judging date is December 16, 2014 beginning at 6:30 p.m.
The winner in each category will be announced on December 17, 2014.

Categories are: Best Use of Lights, Best Stationary Display and Judge's Choice.



To make a nomination, please call 817.514.5828 or drop by the Watauga Community Center.

### **Breakfast With Santa**

Saturday, December 13, 2014 9:00 a.m. at the Watauga Community Center

\$7.00 for each child eating \$3.00 for each adult eating.



### Seating is Limited.

All reservations must be paid in advance. Register at the Community Center from November 10th-December 12, 2014.

# Holiday Tree Lighting Thursday, December 11, 2014 6:00 p.m. Capp Smith Park 5800 Robin Drive, Watauga

Come out to Capp Smith Park to enjoy the Watauga Tree Lighting! Following the Tree Lighting, there will be a holiday performance and a special visit from Santa at the library!

### Youth Basketball Registration

October 6- December 1, 2014

Ages 3-6: \$55.00 Ages 7-12: \$75.00

Season begins January 10, 2015

Register online at <a href="www.quickscores.com/watauga">www.quickscores.com/watauga</a> or at the Watauga Community Center.

Questions? Contact Davis Page at dpage@cowtx.org



### **AARP Smart Driving Course**

Wednesday, November 12, 2014 12:00 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.)

Drivers 18 and up can attend this program.

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

\*NOT INTENDED FOR TRAFFIC TICKETS\*

### Senior Adult Center

7857 Indian Springs Road ● Watauga, TX 76148 817.514.5892

www.wataugatx.org

**Hours of Operation** 

Monday - Friday • 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Saturday • Closed

Sunday ● Closed

Center hours are subject to change for Special Events. For more information or to join the Senior Adult Center, please contact Vickie Vickers @ 817.514.5892 or by e-mail at vvickers@wataugatx.org