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New Budget increases funding for infrastructure

Additional funds for the Street Rehabilitation Program were put into the 2014-2015 City Budget, which the City Council passed last month.

The Council increased the program's funding by a quarter cent, meaning 2 cents of the total tax rate is now dedicated to projects such as pavement repair, street leveling and crack sealing. The \$331,000 added to the program brings the total funding to \$2.2 million. The City's overall tax rate remained unchanged at \$0.63516 per \$100 of assessed property value.

City Manager Dan Johnson said the increased funding will allow the city to finish up work on both major arterial and collectors roads, as well as neighborhood streets.

"Infrastructure renewal, such as street repair, is a key priority for the city," Johnson said. "This effort is part of a multi-year commitment we plan to continue for years to come."

The majority of the City's streets are constructed of concrete, which typically has an expected life of about 25 years, said Assistant City Manager Don Magner. Eighty percent of the City's streets are older than 30 years, but the City has been able to extend their lifespan through proper maintenance.

"We have done a good job of making sure the streets are installed, inspected and constructed well," Magner said. "The fact that

so many of these streets are still considered in 'good' or 'fair' condition means we have done a good job of maintaining them over the years."

Streets that are considered "good" or "fair" condition may have some failures, but they are still considered cost effective to repair, and preventative maintenance can be carried out to extend their life. Streets that are graded as "poor" are not considered candidates for repairs since it would not be cost effective, and they are simply maintained until a strategy for their reconstruction or replacement can be implemented.

In addition to the money from the 2 cents, \$505,000 of operations funds will also be put into the Street Rehabilitation Program, which increases the City's commitment to just under \$2.7 million. Additional funds are also in place for bridge rail maintenance, traffic signs and signals, and street light maintenance.

Johnson said this year's budget is the result of a year-long study into street maintenance to ensure funds were spent efficiently and where they were most needed.

"We looked at how we can be more strategic about street maintenance," Johnson said. "We wanted to make sure we were mindful about the responsibility we have for maintenance initiatives."



Streets Classification

Arterials—57 miles	Major Collectors—36 miles
Alleys—223 miles	Neighborhood Collectors—31 miles
Residential—228 miles	Minor Collectors—25 miles
Total	600 miles

2014-2015 Budget highlights include:

- Maintains the tax rate of \$0.63 per \$100 of valuation
- A commitment to improving infrastructure with 2 pennies, \$2.7 million dedicated to street maintenance
- Continue reinvestment efforts along major corridors
- Increased Senior Exemption from \$55,000 to \$60,000
- A 1/2 cent dedicated to economic development
- Enhancements to the community recycling program
- 9.5 percent rate adjustment in water and sewer services due to North Texas Municipal Water District projects
- Funding of \$2.9 million of 4-year purchases for general equipment, vehicles and projects
- Sustain a competitive employee compensation and benefits profile
- Continue the implementation of the Cultural Arts Master Plan
- Additional personnel and equipment for Public Safety

Senior property tax exemption increased to \$60,000

The 2014-2015 City Budget includes an increase of the senior property tax exemption from \$55,000 to \$60,000. The overall tax rate remained unchanged at \$0.63516 per \$100 of assessed property value. The revenue impact of the exemption is \$2.9 million.

There are 7,597 properties in the City that qualify for the exemption, with an average market value of \$187,251. These numbers increased 2.2 percent and 3.9 percent respectively from 2013. The exemption is available to residents over 65 years of age, disabled persons and surviving spouses.

This increase is based on the City Council's policy of maintaining the exemption at 30 percent of the average home value for those who are over 65 or disabled. The

exemption amount has doubled over the past decade. In 2005, the exemption totaled \$30,000. That number increased to \$50,000 in 2006 and \$55,000 in 2008. The number of qualifying properties in the city has increased 32 percent in the same time period.

If the tax exemption is already in place, no action is needed on the part of the taxpayer. To apply for tax exemptions, residents should contact the appraisal district in which their property is located. For property in Dallas County, contact the Dallas Central Appraisal District at 214-631-0910 or at dallascad.org. For property in Collin County, contact the Collin Central Appraisal District at 469-742-9200 or at collincad.org.

For more information on taxes in Richardson, visit bit.ly/1r5s6sh.

Senior Property Tax Exemption History		
Year	Qualifying Parcels	Exemption Amount
2014-2015	7,597 in 2014	\$60,000
2008-2013	7,431 in 2013	\$55,000
2006-2007	6,095 in 2007	\$50,000
2002-2005	5,737 in 2005	\$30,000

"Hometown Thursdays" coming to Santa's Village this year



Santa's Village will once again come to life in December, but this year the City is making a few changes to improve the experience for the thousands of people who flock to the tiny town.

Thursdays are now "Hometown Thursdays" for Richardson residents and will require a **free ticket** for admission. Richardson residents must show proof of residency, such as a drivers license or water bill, to receive up to eight

tickets. Beginning in November, tickets will be distributed at Richardson City Hall and Heights and Huffhines recreation centers while supplies last. Visitors must show a ticket to be admitted into Santa's Village on Thursdays, Dec. 11 and 18.

Santa's Village will remain free and open to the public on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights, Dec. 6-7, 12-14 and 19-21.

Santa's Village Operating Hours

Dec. 6-7	6-9 p.m.
Dec. 11-14 (Dec. 11 is "Hometown Thursday")	6-9 p.m.
Dec. 18-21 (Dec. 18 is "Hometown Thursday")	6-9 p.m.

Once a week water schedule in effect until Oct. 31

The City of Richardson is currently under a once a week outdoor irrigation schedule for water customers in accordance with the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) board action to increase water use in order to maintain water quality within its service system.

While conservation measures are being alleviated to ensure quality, conservation efforts will still be necessary for the foreseeable future. Currently, all reservoirs used by the NTMWD for water supply remain below normal levels. District officials urge customers to continue observing the Stage

3 guidelines, set irrigation systems manually and only water lawns if needed. The NTMWD has given direction that it expects to readopt every other week watering again in November.

To view the water schedule, visit cor.net/waterconservation. More information and tips on water conservation can be found at northtexaswateriq.org and ntmwd.com.

Lawn irrigation schedule (once a week until Oct. 31)

Last Digit of Address	Allowed landscape water day
0, 2, 4, 6, 8 (Even)	Every Saturday
1, 3, 5, 7, 9 (Odd)	Every Sunday

No watering is allowed between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m., or during times of precipitation, and excessive water runoff from a landscaped area to an impervious surface is prohibited.

Major Supply Reservoirs	Full Lake Level*	Current Lake Level*	Feet Below Full	Provides % of NTMWD Supply
Lavon Lake	492	479.58	-12.42	30%
Jim Chapman Lake	440	429.34	-10.66	15%
Lake Tawakoni	437.5	426.72	-10.78	8%
Lake Texoma	617	611.26	-5.74	28%

*Feet above mean sea level

Richardson's 42nd annual Christmas Parade is Dec. 6

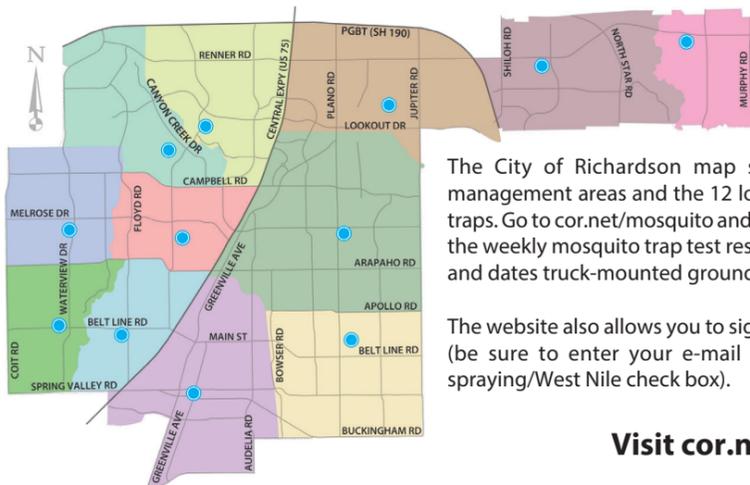
Get in on the spirit of the holiday season by participating in Richardson's Annual Christmas Parade—a tradition that will celebrate its 42nd year! Individuals, groups, clubs, churches, schools and "kids of all ages" are encouraged to join in on this festivity Dec. 6. Due to freezing temperatures and freezing precipitation last year, parade organizers had to cancel the event. Last year's theme, "Candy Canes and Christmas Carols," will be carried through to this year and the parade will be held on the east side of town. Individuals and groups are encouraged to represent this theme in their costumes, vehicles and floats.

Registration forms will be online beginning Nov. 3 at cor.net/ChristmasParade. Deadline for registration is Nov. 26. For information regarding the parade, please contact Parade Chair Person, Barbara Cottone at Barbara.Cottone@cor.gov, or call Kelli Keath at 972-744-4588.

Friend of the Parade

Would you like to become a "Friend of the Parade"? This is the first time that we are offering this program. For a \$50 donation (checks payable to: NETWORK of Community Ministries) you and your immediate family will have preferable bleacher seating and will be served hot beverages and refreshments. If you would like to become a "Friend of the Parade," please send your check to: Kelli Keath, City of Richardson Community Events, 2100 E. Campbell Rd. Suite 100, Richardson, Texas 75081.

Find information online about mosquito control activity



The City of Richardson map shown indicates the 12 mosquito management areas and the 12 locations of the mosquito surveillance traps. Go to cor.net/mosquito and click on the area where you live to see the weekly mosquito trap test results, dates storm drains were sprayed and dates truck-mounted ground spraying was done (if necessary).

The website also allows you to sign up for mosquito spray notifications (be sure to enter your e-mail address and choose the mosquito spraying/West Nile check box).

Visit cor.net/mosquito

MAYOR'S MESSAGE



Mayor
Laura Maczka
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It may not be January first, but, from the City's fiscal perspective, we have just rung in a new year! With that, I am excited to have this opportunity to tell you about the amazing things our new budget has to offer Richardson!

First, our new budget reflects the robust economic recovery we have experienced in Richardson and North Texas. This growth is allowing us to maintain our tax rate while also making room for meaningful investments in infrastructure, public safety, and economic development initiatives.

As you can read on page one, one of the biggest commitments we have undertaken with this new budget is to continue our focus on improving our infrastructure. Transportation is critical to a vibrant community and economic success, and the City Council is very happy that we have been able to more than double the money for infrastructure during the past two years, dedicating two full pennies from our property tax rate.

The new budget also enhances our continued commitment to public safety by adding a new ambulance and fire and police personnel. *USA Today* recently identified Richardson as one of the top ten safest cities in Texas, and our increase in this budget will help us to prepare for the growth that will come when CityLine and the new State Farm campus open on the KDC development adjacent to the Bush Turnpike Station.

We are also doing something new this year. The City Council has approved dedicating a half cent of our annual property tax rate to go to economic development. This is an important step as we continue to bolster our competitive edge to attract top employers to Richardson, will help us retain businesses that currently call Richardson home, and will help us promote redevelopment.

There are many other wonderful stories to tell about the budget, but I think it is important to mention the new enhancements also being made to improve Richardson's recycling program. This year's budget includes funding for recycling education, better access to blue recycling bags and a pilot program that will place recycling receptacles at Huffhines and

Heights parks. These are important and responsible steps as we continue to do our part to limit our impact on the environment.

Finally, I'm happy to say that we continue to be recognized by both auditing and rating agencies as among the most fiscally responsible municipalities not just in the region but across the entire country. We have once again maintained our "Triple A" bond rating with Moody's and Standard and Poor's, and reviews of our books continue to show our financial processes are secure.

Richardson is about many things, and our budget is what allows us to maintain the quality of services and quality of life that makes this community such a great home. In fact, just in the last two months Richardson was recognized in national media as a top 20 city to live in the United States and a top 10 city to buy a home. This is possible because of the strength of our local economy, and most definitely because of the support of this community!

If you would like to know more about the budget, please visit the City's website at cor.net/budget.

I am proud of the work that went into the budget and that it will help us all work to keep Richardson a place we are proud to call home.

Sincerely,

Laura Maczka
Mayor

City Social Media

Several City departments are active on Facebook and Twitter, including *Richardson Today*, the Animal Shelter, the Eisemann Center, the Library, the Police Department and Richardson's com-

munity events. You can also view CITY videos on YouTube. Visit cor.net/SocialMedia for a full listing.



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Requesting an Accommodation

The City of Richardson will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all City programs, services and activities. Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a City program, service or activity, are requested to contact:

Susan Mattison, ADA Coordinator
972-744-0908
1621 E. Lookout Dr.
Richardson, TX 75082
ADACoordinator@cor.gov

Please contact the ADA Coordinator as soon as possible, but no later than 48 hours before a scheduled event.

Budget includes increased funding for recycling initiatives



cle,” Assistant City Manager Don Magnier said. “Currently, about 18 percent of residential waste is diverted from the landfill through recycling efforts, but we believe that number can go much higher in the coming years.”

One key finding of the recycling survey was that many residents who live in the panhandle of Richardson do not recycle because blue bags are not available near their home. A plan is being developed to create a blue bag pick up location in the panhandle area.

Blue bags will continue to be distributed at City Hall, the Senior Center and Heights and Huffhines recreation centers. Residents may purchase a roll of 26 bags for \$3.50 or turn in a voucher letter sent out annually from the mayor to receive two free rolls. Two rolls contain

enough bags to last a year if one bag is used each week, but many households recycle more than that. That’s why another new initiative will include the distribution of additional vouchers for free bags at major City events, such as the *Wildflower!* Festival and Cottonwood Art Festival.

As the City works to increase participation in the recycling program, it is also aiming to improve education about what can and cannot be recycled. To meet this goal, the City will mail a special publication all about the recycling program to each single-family residence. It will also include a recycling magnet that can serve as a quick guide and reminder. The information will be updated and mailed out once each year.

Another new program is aimed at making recycling more convenient by offering discounted storage bins that have separate compartments to hold trash and recycling. The City will purchase 400 two-in-one bins and the first 400 residents who make a request can receive one for \$25 if they agree to sign up for a survey to gauge the program’s effectiveness after six months.

Other new initiatives include kid-friendly educational videos, street pole banners, a pilot program at Heights and Huffhines parks to include the placement of recycling receptacles, and partnerships with local school districts and neighborhood associations.

Learn more about Richardson’s recycling program at cor.net/recycling.

When it comes to Richardson’s recycling program, the more than 4,200 people who responded to a survey sent out last year spoke loud and clear. They want better education, more access to free blue bags and the chance to recycle in City parks and public spaces.

The recently-adopted 2014-2015 Budget includes funding for all of that and more, as an increased focus on recycling is one

of the key themes of the new fiscal year. Richardson is expected to roll out several programs in the coming months designed to boost recycling through education, community partnerships and increased access to the iconic blue bags.

“The City of Richardson will soon launch some exciting new initiatives that will encourage more residents to recycle and educate everyone on the right way to recy-

Half cent of property tax dedicated toward economic development



Alamo Drafthouse Cinema opened in August 2013

Richardson has made headlines in recent months for several major corporations choosing to relocate here, but the City will soon have even more tools to lure businesses and encourage redevelopment thanks to a new provision in the 2014-2015 Budget.

This year’s budget allocates half a penny of the property tax rate to be used specifically for economic development. That’s expected to equate to \$590,000 in the first budget cycle alone.

“This new dedicated revenue will be used to encourage a variety of quality projects, large and small, that will strengthen the City’s financial position and spur redevelopment,” Deputy City Manager David Morgan said. “While incentives are an important component in the City’s overall economic development strategy, the fund will complement the City’s many other efforts made for continued economic growth that will provide increased job opportunities, a better quality of life and a positive image for the City going forward.”

The additional half cent for economic development is one el-

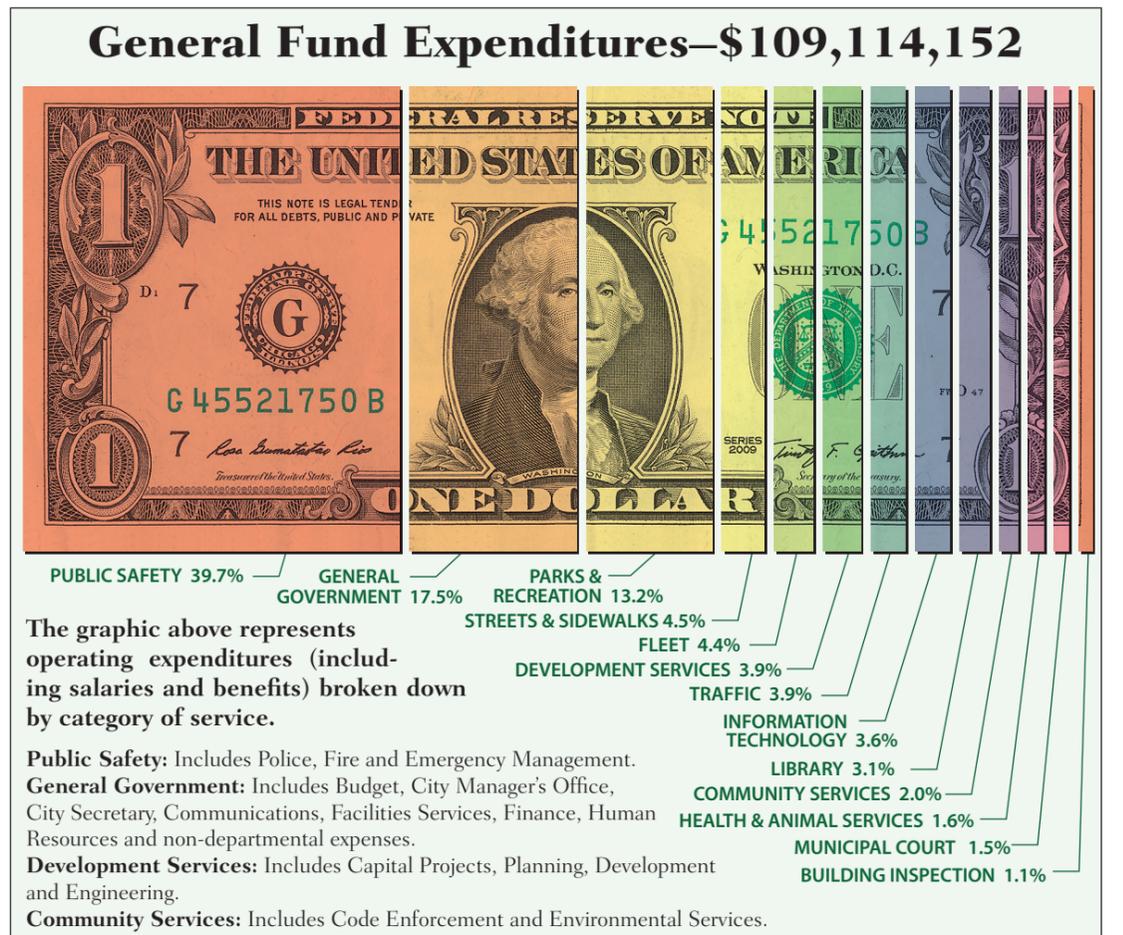
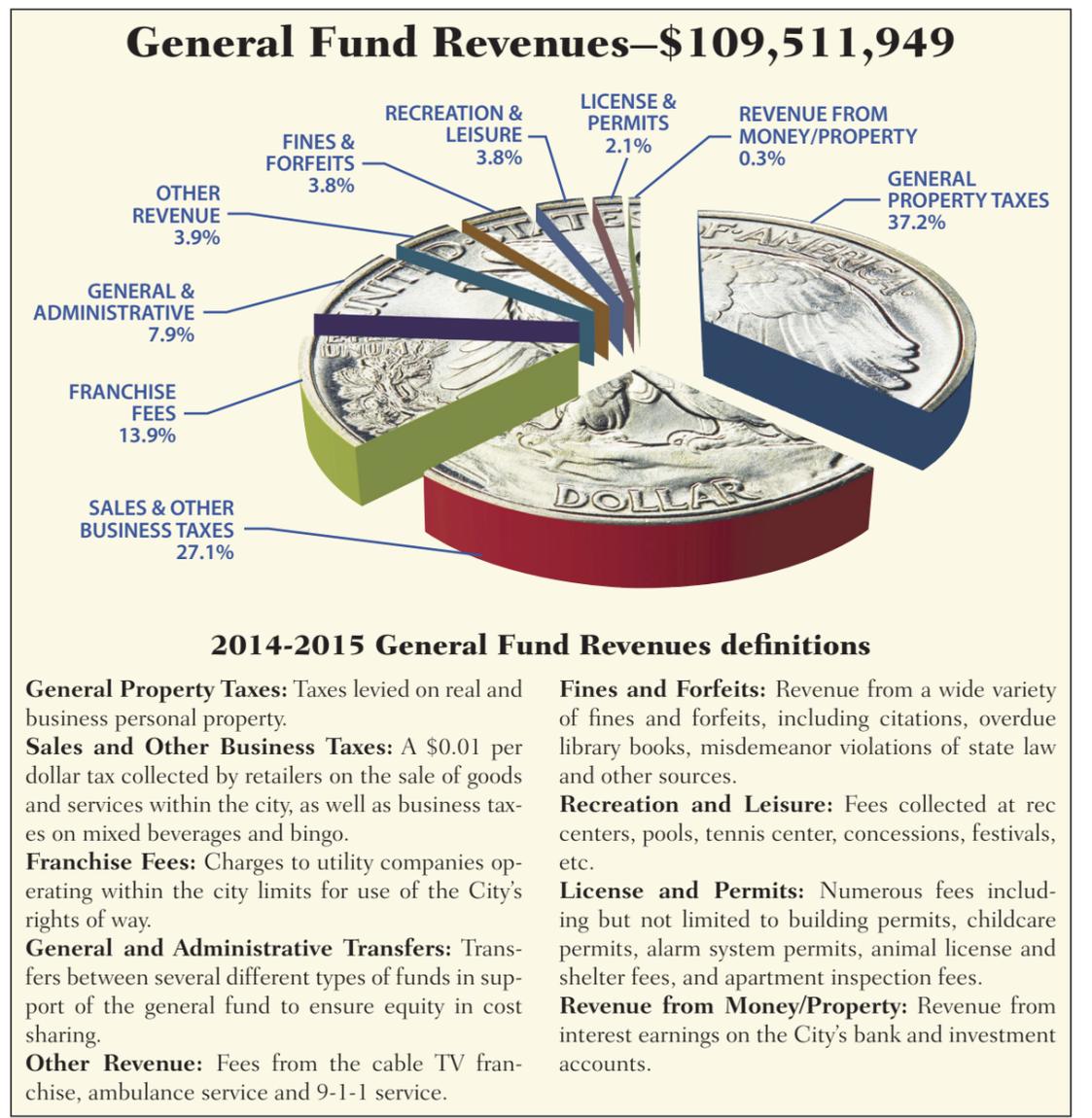
ement of many budget enhancements that include 2 cents of the property tax rate dedicated to street maintenance and additional vehicles and personnel for public safety, which all come without an increase in the tax rate. The half cent will go directly into a fund that will be used to prompt a variety of projects such as office, retail, mixed use and redevelopment.

The City is constantly competing with its neighbors to land major commercial projects, but unlike Allen, Frisco, McKinney and several other municipalities, it is unable to use a portion of the sales tax for economic development. Instead, Richardson designates a portion of its sales tax to remain a member city of DART, which has also been a key factor in drawing business to the city.

With the passing of the new budget, Richardson will be able to use the increased funding to invest in the future through economic development incentives and help level the playing field with other cities. And that’s good news for everyone who lives or works in Richardson.



Ten 50 BBQ opened in August 2014



Renovation planned for Sherrill Park Course 1



Course 1 at Sherrill Park Golf Course will receive new greens and numerous other improvements as part of a renovation package included in the 2014-2015 Budget.

The renovation should result in an increase in the number of golfers who play the course, said Ronny Glanton, head professional at Sherrill Park, who added that recent renovations at nearby courses have helped them increase market share.

“Our competition has really improved,” Glanton said during a City Council work session. “The bottom line is that if you don’t have good putting surfaces, then you don’t have a facility. That is why we are struggling right now.”

Course 1 has received a number of accolades over the years and has hosted numerous U.S. Golf Association tournaments. In 2012,

The Dallas Morning News ranked Course 1 at Sherrill Park the top economy course in the state, while Course 2 finished 10th.

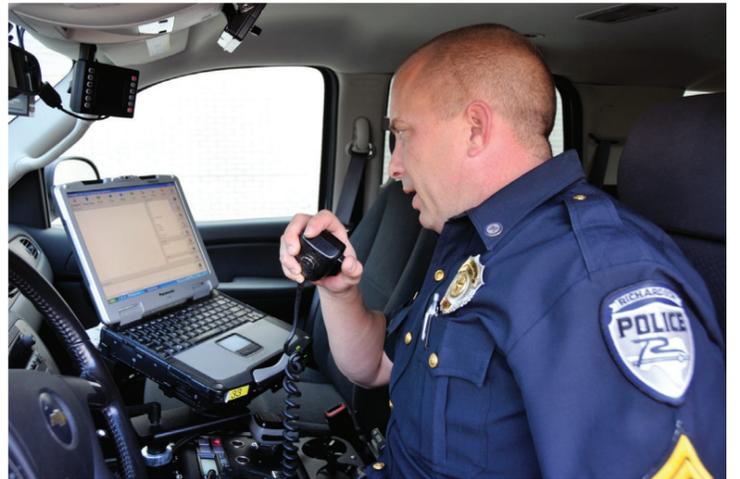
Sherrill Park’s greens were in good shape in 2012 and 2013, but freezing temperatures and poor drainage last winter negatively impacted grass on the greens of both Course 1 and 2, said Deputy City Manager David Morgan. While golf course workers have promoted turf growth on greens this summer through sodding and enhanced maintenance, a total replacement on all Course 1 greens with a ultra hybrid Bermuda grass will take place beginning late spring/early summer 2015. The shape and contour of some greens will also be modified to improve shot making and interest in the course, Morgan said.

In addition to new greens, improvements will also be made to the course’s irrigation pond and drainage system. Work on select bunkers and tee boxes will also be carried out, while trees will be planted in key areas.

“Without making some of these key improvements I think we can anticipate Sherrill Park continuing to lose market share based on the competition we see in the area,” Morgan said. “If we are going to take the golf course down to look at the greens improvement, it will make a lot of sense to expand the scope to really make some key impacts and maximize the benefits of the renovations.”

Course 1 will close in February so renovation can begin. Work is expected to take eight months, with the course re-opening in September.

Budget includes equipment, Public Safety personnel



The Police and Fire departments will receive additional personnel and equipment following the passage of the 2014-2015 Budget.

Funding for one additional sergeant, four additional police officers and two public safety officers was included in the Police Department’s budget. In addition to the new officers, the department will receive 17 new vehicles.

City Manager Dan Johnson said the staffing changes are necessary as the City grows over the next few years.

“As we host new employment by day, have new residents by night and have a growing university, we anticipate increased service demands,” Johnson said. “We want to be mindful of that, and knowing the time it takes for recruitment and training, let’s be about those steps now so we can turn on those new resources as that demand is activated.”

Public safety officers will be a new addition to the department. These officers will be able to handle calls that may not require a sworn officer, said Police Chief Jimmy Spivey.

“This department has utilized a whole variety of skill sets—volunteers, trained officers, you name it,” Spivey said. “There are some work assignments that can be effectively handled by a public safety officer without curtailing the quality of the response. Other communities around here have that, and I think this is a way to stretch our dollars and put the right talent on the right assignments.”

The Fire Department will also receive additional personnel and equipment. Six new firefighters and a new ambulance, which will be activated during peak periods, will be added at Fire Station 3, located 2519 Custer Parkway. The department is also receiving a new light duty response vehicle and a new battalion chief vehicle, as well as some additional training and emergency response equipment.

As with the changes to the Police Department, Johnson said the Fire Department additions were necessary to make sure response times and a high quality of service were maintained as more people come to the city.

NTMWD pipeline and capital projects require water and sewer rate increase

The construction of a 46-mile, \$300 million water pipeline from near Lake Texoma to a treatment plant in Wylie, as well as other capital projects to increase capacity and improve water quality, is requiring Richardson to increase water and sewer rates 9.5 percent, beginning Oct. 1 and taking effect in the first billing after Nov. 1.

With the rate increase, the average monthly bill for a typical Richardson household will increase **\$6.59**.

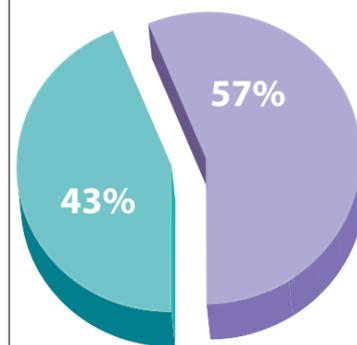
The North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) is increasing the rate it charges Richardson and other member and customer cities 19 cents per 1,000 gallons or \$2.1 million in the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year. Despite the increase, rates charged by NTMWD remain among the lowest in the Metroplex.

For more information, call Richardson’s Water and Sewer Customer Service at 972-744-4120.

The table below indicates the increases in water rates from the NTMWD to the City of Richardson in dollar amount and percentage for the last seven fiscal years.

Fiscal Year	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
NTWMD/ 1,000 gal.	\$1.18	\$1.25	\$1.37	1.49	\$1.70	\$1.87	\$2.06
NTWMD % Increase	9.3%	5.9%	9.6%	8.7%	14.1%	10.6%	9.6%
% Increase to residents	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.0%	13.0%	10.9%	9.5%

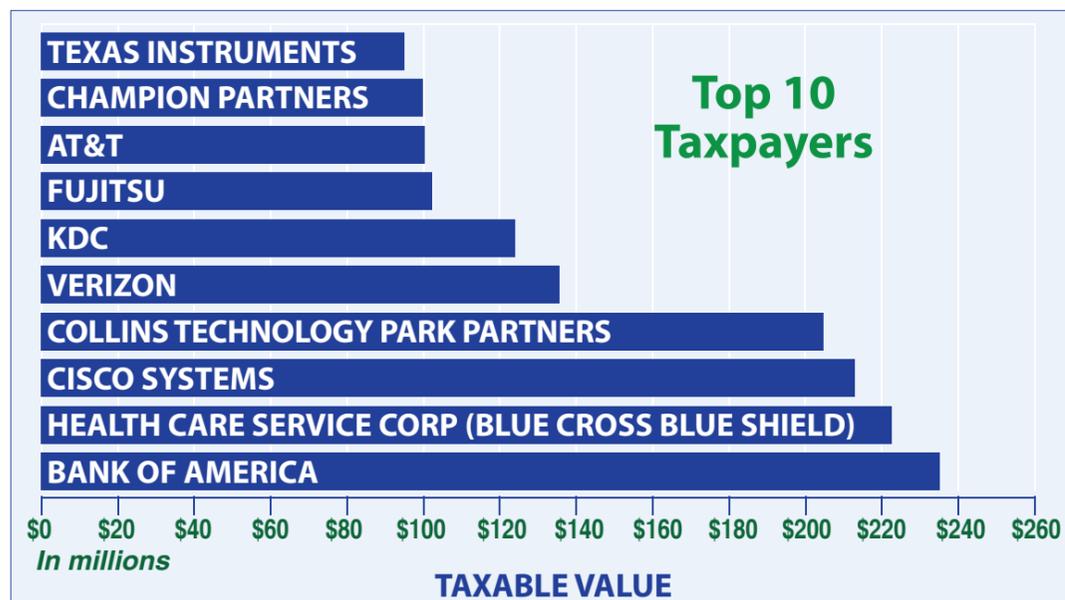
Commercial vs. Residential Tax Base



A greater percentage of the City of Richardson’s property tax base is from commercial property, as compared to residential property.

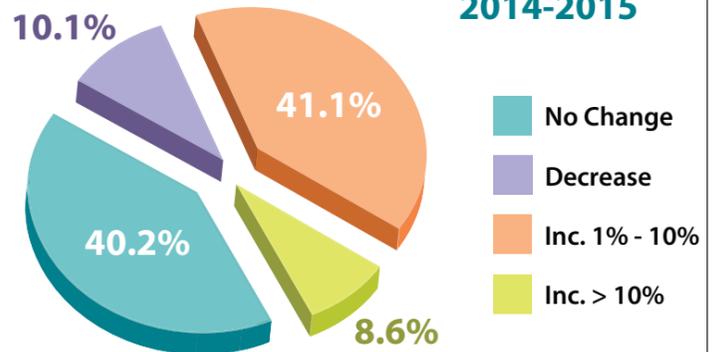
■ Residential
■ Commercial/Other

Top 10 Property Taxpayers in Richardson



The City of Richardson’s 2014-2015 fiscal year certified tax roll saw a 4.9 percent increase in the overall certified tax base. The total assessed valuation in 2014 was \$11.2 billion. The top 10 taxpayers’ assessed valuation in 2014 was \$1.54 billion, or 13.66 percent of the total. Property taxes provide 37 percent of the City’s entire General Revenue Fund Resources.

Change in Residential Valuations 2014-2015



Number of Residential Properties Affected by Valuation

Impact	Number of Properties
No Change	11,376
Decrease	2,844
Up 1-10 percent	11,653
Up > 10 percent	2,435
Total Residential Properties	28,308

Richardson earns Platinum Scenic City Certification

The City of Richardson has been elevated to platinum status by the Scenic City Certification Program of Scenic Texas—the highest level certification offered.

Richardson, which earned a Gold Certification in 2012, is one of 15 cities in the state to earn first-time or upgraded certification in 2014, and is one of eight

Texas cities to earn the Platinum designation for demonstrating a commitment to incorporating enhanced development standards.

“This is a wonderful recognition and we are extremely proud to earn the highest level of certification and distinction from Scenic Texas,” said Richardson Mayor Laura Maczka. “This honor ac-

knowledges many years of planning and execution of innovative strategies by volunteers and leaders who are committed to creating strong policies and regulations that make Richardson an incredible place to call ‘home.’”

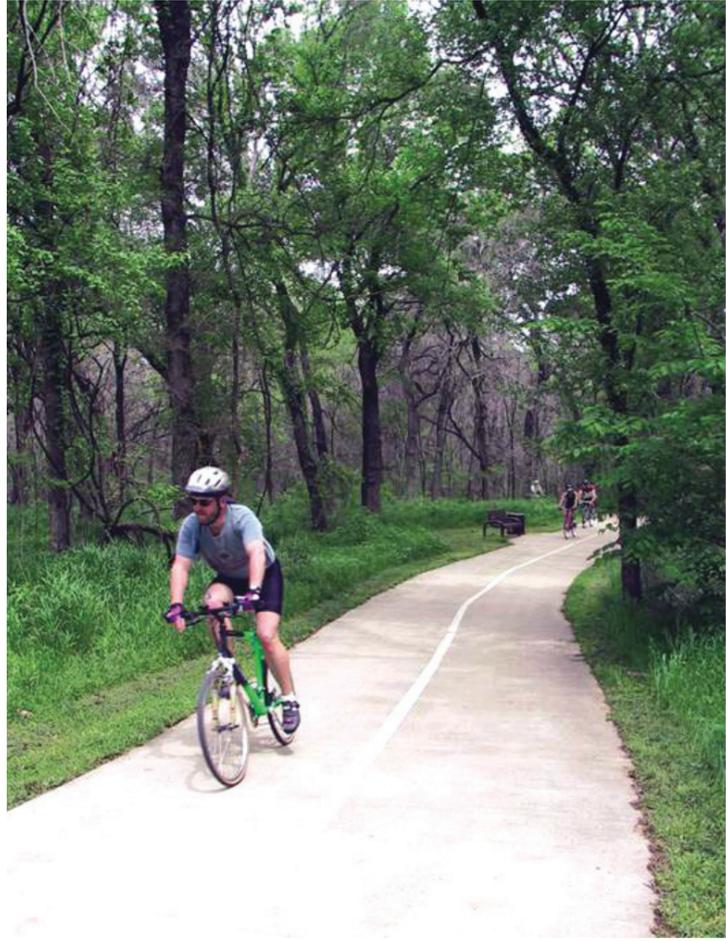
A reception to present the 2014 municipalities with their Scenic City Certification will be held this month in Houston, in conjunction with the annual Texas Municipal League conference.

The Scenic City Certification Program is a project of Scenic Texas and its program partners, and is the first in the U.S. to incorporate a comprehensive set of model standards for design and development of public roadways and public spaces into one program.

The program draws a direct correlation between the success of a city’s economic development efforts and the visual appearance of its public spaces, and recognizes municipalities that implement high-quality scenic standards.

Earning certification is straightforward process: a city must initially meet three criteria before applying to the program including having a strictly regulated and enforced sign code, a ban on new billboards, and a landscaping and tree planting program.

Then, a city’s existing standards are assessed and scored based on a model of some 70 possible criteria ranging from percentage of



park and open space, strong litter enforcement laws, street lighting standards, to parking lot landscaping, utility line management, and more. Under the scoring system, an applicant earns Recognized, Bronze, Silver, Gold or Platinum Certification.

In granting the City of Richardson its Platinum certification, Scenic Texas took note of Richardson’s Parks and Recreation Open Space Master Plan, its strong unity of design standards to create a cohesive vision among physical development plans, and its billboard-less city.

Scenic City Certification program partners include the Texas Municipal League, Urban Land

Institute—Houston, American Planning Association Texas, Houston-Galveston Area Council, American Council of Engineering Companies of Houston, Keep Texas Beautiful, Texas Historical Commission, Texas Downtown Association, Scenic Houston and Scenic America. Learn more at sceniccitycertification.org.



Council, CPC discuss Main Street/Central initiative

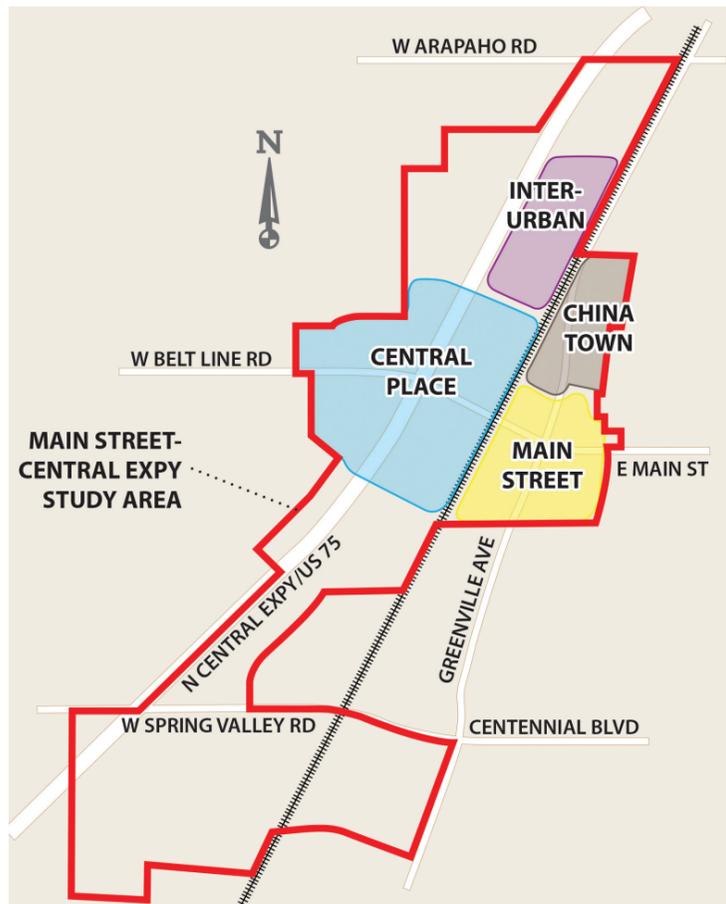
The City Council and City Plan Commission held a joint meeting last month to discuss key topics related to the Main Street/Central Expressway Enhancement/Redevelopment-Rezoning Initiative project. This project consists of rezoning approximately 162 acres out of the approximate 415-acre corridor, specifically the Main Street, Central Place, Interurban and Chinatown sub-districts.

The Council and CPC reviewed and discussed several key topics associated with the project, including future building heights, land uses adjacent to existing resi-

dential neighborhoods, how potential changes in zoning regulations could affect property owners and businesses, and more.

City staff and the project consultant will use information gathered at the meeting to prepare a draft ordinance to present to the CPC later this month, with anticipated adoption by the City Council in December.

Learn more about the project at cor.net/mainstreetcentral or by contacting Tina Firgens, Planning Projects Manager at mainstreetcentral@cor.gov or 972-744-4243.



Darryl Fourte appointed new Director of Public Services



Darryl Fourte

City Manager Dan Johnson has announced that Darryl Fourte, former Public Works Director for the City of Baytown in the Houston area, has been selected to lead Richardson’s Public Services Department effective Sept. 22, 2014. Fourte served with the City of Baytown since 2009, and his Richardson appointment continues more than three decades of experience working in municipal government.

“Our public services department covers many critical services and it was important to find the right mix of experience and expertise for this position,” Johnson said. “Darryl is tremendously engaging and possesses a great mix of technical expertise and management background that will serve the people in our community with the high level of service they expect.”

Fourte has 30 years of experience in municipal government, with 25 of those years coming in a management position. Prior to working in Baytown, Fourte worked as the Operations Manager in Overland Park, Kansas and as the Senior Program Manager in the City of Dallas’ Street Services Department.

As Director of Public Services, Fourte will oversee operations including facility maintenance and custodial services, street maintenance, solid waste and recycling services, and water and sewer maintenance and rehabilitation.

“Richardson has an exceptional reputation in the Metroplex and state of Texas and I am excited to have this opportunity to continue my career working in Richardson,” said Fourte.

Fourte has an associate’s degree in management from Mountain View College, a bachelor’s degree in business studies from Dallas Baptist University and a master’s in public administration from the University of Phoenix in Kansas City, Kansas. He is a member of the International City/County Management Association, the Public Relations Society of America, the American Public Works Association, the American Water Works Association, the Texas Water Utilities Association and the Texas Municipal League. He is also a strong supporter of Habitat for Humanity and has volunteered with a summer work program for at-risk children.

Property tax bills to be mailed during October

The Dallas County and Collin County tax offices will mail property tax statements to Richardson residents this month based on values set by the county appraisal districts as of Jan. 1, 2014.

The City of Richardson contracts with Collin and Dallas counties for the collection of property taxes. Property owners will receive a statement from the county tax office in which the property is located.

Richardson Independent School District taxes are billed by and paid to the school tax office at

970 Security Row, Richardson, TX 75081, 469-593-0500.

Collin County residents can make City, Collin County and Plano Independent School District tax payments at the Collin County Tax Office branch located at 920 E. Park Blvd., Plano, TX 75074, 972-881-3014. For Dallas County

residents, City and Dallas County taxes are now paid to the Dallas County Tax Office at 516 Twilight Trail, Richardson, TX 75080, 214-653-7811.

All property tax payments should be postmarked no later than Jan. 31, 2015.

If you live in:			
Dallas County		Collin County	
Tax	Pay to	Tax	Pay to
City	Dallas County	City	Collin County
County	Dallas County	County	Collin County
School	RISD	School	Collin County

Calendar

Senior Center 820 W. Arapaho Rd. • 972-744-7800

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Please call 972-744-7800 to RSVP for events that require registration.

Oct. 6
NATIONAL NIGHT OUT Noon- 2 p.m.
 Join the Richardson Senior Center and the Richardson Police Department as we host the award-winning National Night Out. We will provide the entertainment, hot dogs and sides, you bring a dessert.

Oct. 21
OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH 10:45 a.m. We will head to Cracker Barrel this month. (Cost is \$2 for the van trip, plus your lunch. Please RSVP.)



Oct. 31
HALLOWEEN PARTY 1-2:30 p.m.
 The Red Hats invite all to an afternoon of ghoulish fun. Come in costume for a costume contest, treats, fun, games, prizes and maybe a trick or two! Bring a treat. No fee.

Oct. 15
OCTOBERFEST Noon
 Join us for an afternoon of fun, food and the music of "Mike the Accordion Player" while you feast on warm pretzels, kielbasa and kraut. Purchased tickets at the Senior Center or over the phone. \$4.

Oct. 23
HEALTH CONNECTION 11 a.m.
 Dr. Rider will offer a Q&A seminar regarding numbness or tingling in your feet titled "Living with Neuropathy." If you are a diabetic or taking a statin drug, you will not want to miss this opportunity to learn more about Living with Neuropathy. Please RSVP at 972 744-7800 to reserve seating. No fee.

Nov. 7-8
HOLIDAY BAZAAR 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
 Our annual Senior Holiday Bazaar will be held Friday and Saturday Nov. 7-8. Mark your calendars to find that special holiday gift at the bazaar.

TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES

Nov. 3
What's New in Downtown Dallas with Rose-Mary Rumbley
Cost: \$89

A motor coach will depart from the Senior Center at 9 a.m. Dr. Rose-Mary Rumbley, one of Dallas' most sought-after speakers, will lead an eye-opening tour around downtown Dallas to discover what's new in this rapidly changing area.

Highlights include:

- See Dallas from the top of the newly remodeled Reunion Tower.
- The new dazzling facilities of First Baptist Church, which includes their captivating fountains that entertain to music.
- The new performing arts spaces in the Dallas Arts District.
- Klyde Warren Park, built over Woodall Rodgers Freeway, which created green space out of thin air.
- The new developments in West Dallas that have arisen near the new Margaret Hunt Hill Bridge, which connects Woodall Rodgers to Singleton Boulevard.

Nov. 19
The Kimbell Museum Presents Faces of Impressionism: Portraits from the Musee d'Orsay
Cost: \$20

Explore the character and development in French painting and sculpture from the late 1850s through the first of the 20th century. Caillebotte, Cezanne, Degas and Monet are among the approximately 70 masterworks on exhibit. The bus will leave the Senior Center at 10:15 a.m. and leave the museum at 3 p.m. Enjoy lunch at the Museum's Buffet Café. Lunch is not included

Dec. 5-8
A Culinary Charleston Christmas
 Limited travel spots left. Please call 972-744-7810 for more information.



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ADULT/GENERAL INTEREST

	Oct. 1 FIRST WEDNESDAY BOOK CLUB 7-8:45 p.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "Escape from Camp #14" by Blaine Harden. Call 972-744-4376 for info.	Oct. 4 DEWEY KNIT? 2-4 p.m. First Floor Program Room. Adult knitting program. Call 972-744-4355 for information.	Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28 LUNCHTIME LECTURES 11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Basement Program Room. "Reconstruction" presented by Richard Cudlipp. Call 972-744-4376 for information.
Oct. 8 SECOND WEDNESDAY BOOKBABBLE 10:30-11:45 a.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "Why Be Happy When You Can Be Normal" by Jeanette Winterson. Call 972-744-4352 for information.	Oct. 10-12 FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY FALL BOOK SALE Basement Program Room. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Oct. 10-11, and 2-5 p.m. on Oct. 12	Oct. 15 THIRD WEDNESDAY BOOKBABBLE 10:30-11:45 a.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "Destiny of the Republic" by Candice Millard. Call 972-744-4376 for information.	Oct. 15 COMMUNITY WRITERS' CRITIQUE GROUP 6-8:45 p.m. Basement Program Room. E-mail WGTCritiqueGroup@gmail.com for info.
Oct. 16 RICHARDSON HISTORICAL & GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY Basement Program Room. 7-8:45 p.m. Call 972-744-4350 for information.	Oct. 17 JOB SEARCHING ON THE INTERNET 10-11:30 a.m. Basement Training Room. *Richardson Library Card needed to register.	Oct. 18 ALTERED BOOK WORKSHOP 10:30-12:30 p.m. Basement Program Room. Call Janet Vance at 972-744-4376 for registration information.	Oct. 20 WRITERS' GUILD OF TEXAS 7-8:30 p.m. Basement Program Room. Call 972-744-4376 for information.
Oct. 21 RCAS MEETING AND DEMONSTRATION 6:30-8:45 p.m. Basement Program Room. Charles Mann - Relief Printing.	Oct. 24 COMPUTER CLASS: Internet 101. 10 a.m.-noon. Basement Training Room. *Richardson Library Card needed to register.	Oct. 28 FOURTH TUESDAY BOOKBABBLE 7:30-8:45 p.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "Yonahlossee Riding Camp for Girls" by Anton DiSclafani. Call 972-744-4352 for info.	Oct. 31 

CHILDREN/YOUTH

Oct. 4 IKEBANA FOR TWEEN AND TEENS—JAPANESE FLOWER ARRANGING 2-4 p.m. Basement Program Room. For grades 5-12 only.	Oct. 18 GAME ON: TEEN GAME NIGHT GOES GLOBAL! 2-4 p.m. First Floor Program Room. Teens only.
Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27 FAMILY STORYTIME 6:45-7:15 p.m. Children's Program Room. Everyone is welcome to attend.	Oct. 25 SPOOK-A-LICIOUS HALLOWEEN HAPPENING 2:30-4:30 p.m. Basement Program Room. Spook-tacular stories, "boo"-tiful crafts, and trick-or-treating with puppets! Wear your Halloween costume!



Richardson CIVIC CENTER

October Civic Center Events

North Dallas Mothers of Twins Consignment Sale Oct. 4 ndmotc.com	Dallas Bridge Tournament Oct. 30-Nov. 2 d16acbl.org/U176
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The Richardson Civic Center offers a wide variety of accommodations for classes, seminars, corporate presentations, banquets, receptions and trade shows!

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Operation Christmas Child around the corner

Operation Christmas Child collection week is Nov. 17-24. The Richardson drop off location for Operation Christmas Child is Trinity Bible Church, 400 W. Campbell Rd. Drop off hours are 10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Nov. 17-22, 1-5:30 p.m. Nov. 23 and 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Nov. 24.

Donors can use an empty shoe box or a small plastic container. The box may be wrapped (lid separately), but wrapping is not required. The donor determines whether their gift will be for a boy or girl and the child's age category: 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14 years old.

Fill the box with a variety of gifts that will bring delight to the child. Gifts suggestions are school supplies, small toys, hygiene items, hard candy/mints/gum placed in a zip-close bag, hair clips, toy jewelry, socks and T-shirts.

A \$7 donation for each shoe box is requested to help cover shipping costs. By making the \$7 donation on-line you can print and tape a barcode to the box to track it to its destination. More information can be found at samaritanspurse.org/occ.

Cultural Arts & Community

Eisemann Center Presents season begins Oct. 11

The 2014-2015 season of Eisemann Center Presents begins with a performance from Ben Vereen and includes performances of Hansel and Gretel and Endurance.

Visit eisemanncenter.com for ticket information, or call the Ticket Office at 972-744-4650. Groups of 10 or more qualify for ticket discounts. Call Group Sales at 972-744-4657 for information.



Ben Vereen

"Steppin' Out Live"
with Ben Vereen
8 p.m. Oct. 11
Tickets: 39-\$56

Ben Vereen brings his blend of artistry, combining a homage to Broadway, Frank Sinatra and a special tribute to Sammy Davis Jr. to the Eisemann Center. His performances are filled with song and dance, life stories and humor.

Keyboard Conversations®
"The Miracle of Mozart!"
7:30 p.m. Oct. 13
Tickets: \$28-\$33

In this concert, Jeffrey Siegel presents delightful and witty variations on Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star, the haunting and introspective Adagio in B Minor and the powerful, declamatory Sonata in A Minor, written after the death of his mother.

"Endurance"
presented by the
Split Knuckle Theatre
8 p.m. Oct. 16, 17, 18
2 p.m. Oct. 18, 19
Tickets \$38-\$42

Trapped in Antarctica with no hope of rescue, the great British explorer Sir Ernest Shackleton kept 27 men alive for two years in the most inhospitable climate on earth. Ninety-five years later, in the worst economic meltdown since the Great Depression, Hartford insurance man Walter Spivey, struggling to justify his recent promotion and save his employees' jobs, relives Shackleton's story. "Endurance" brings every moment of the story into focus in a humorous and moving show.

"The Berenstain Bears LIVE!"
2:30 p.m. Oct. 19
Tickets \$13-23

Adapted from the classic children's book series by Stan and Jan Berenstain, "The Berenstain Bears LIVE!" brings everyone's favorite bear family to life in a thrilling theatrical experience that kids as well as their par-

ents will treasure for many years to come.

Steve Solomon's
"Cannoli, Latkes and Guilt!
The Therapy Continues ..."
8 p.m. Nov. 13, 14, 15
2 p.m. Nov. 15, 16
Tickets \$38-\$45

Steve Solomon is back with a hilarious show featuring the very best comedy bits from his earlier three shows—plus loads of new comedy pieces. Prepare to spend an evening of laughs with one of America's best story tellers and dialecticians.

"Hansel and Gretel"
2:30 p.m. Nov. 16
Tickets \$13-\$23

Join us in this wondrous retelling of The Brothers Grimm fairy tale of parents, children, and witches. Hansel and Gretel stray from the path which invari-

ably leads you to a Witch's gingerbread house. Produced by Theatre IV. Book and lyrics by Douglas S. Jones and music by Ron Barnett.



The Hit Men

The Hit Men
8 p.m. Nov. 22
Tickets \$39-\$55

Former members of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons and other groups have united to form The Hit Men, a super group of musicians and vocalists who were the Four Seasons and the Shondells with Tommy James.

Eisemann Center

2351 Performance Dr.

For tickets visit eisemanncenter.com
or call the Ticket Office at 972-744-4650

RICHARDSON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Clay Couturiaux, music director and conductor presents Opening Night. (8 p.m. Oct. 4 \$12-\$89. Visit richardsonorchestra.org.)

"AN EVENING WITH TED CRUZ AND SEAN HANNITY"

(7 p.m. Oct. 18. \$20-\$127. Visit 660AMTheAnswer.com.)

C.S. LEWIS' "THE GREAT DIVORCE"

presented by Fellowship Performing Arts. (4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Nov. 1. \$30.50-\$90.50. Visit greatdivorceonstage.com.)

Civic Art Society plans membership show and sale

Richardson Civic Art Society will sponsor its annual Membership Show and Sale, hosted by the Richardson Public Library, from Oct. 5-Nov. 7.

Participants may drop off their work on the second floor of the Library on Oct. 4 from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., and artists may join the RCAS or renew their memberships at that time. The show will be juried by Paul Booker, a sculptor and painter whose award-winning work has been exhibited in numerous galleries in Texas and New York City. Booker is an adjunct professor of art at the University of Texas at Dallas and Collin College. Cash prizes and merchandise certificates will be awarded.

The show is an opportunity to join this vibrant art community as

The next RCAS meeting is Oct. 21 at 6:30 p.m. in the Richardson Library's Basement Meeting Room. The awards ceremony for the Membership Show and Sale will take place at the meeting.

well as purchase local art. More information and the prospectus can be found at richardson-arts.org.

RCAS meets in the Richardson Public Library basement on third Tuesdays from 6:45-8:45 p.m. Visitors may attend meetings at no charge. Anyone is welcome to sign up for membership. RCAS is supported in part by the City of Richardson through the Arts Commission.

RCT presents

"The Wedding Singer"

Repertory Company Theatre presents its second show of the 2014-2015 season, "The Wedding Singer," Oct. 17-26 at the Promenade Theatre, 650 N. Coit Rd., Richardson. The play is rated PG13.

The new musical by Tim Herlihy, Matthew Sklar and Chad Beguelin is based on the 1998 movie of the same name starring Adam

Sandler. The story is centered on a down-on-his luck wannabe rocker in suburban New Jersey circa 1985 and a warm-hearted waitress who is engaged to the wrong guy.

Showtime for Fridays and Saturdays is 7:30 p.m., with Sunday shows at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$20 for seniors and \$14 for teens. For tickets call 972-690-5029.

Golden Dragon Acrobats visit city

The City of Richardson proudly presents the Golden Dragon Acrobats in their new show, CIRQUE ZÍVA, as a free community event for the entire family on Thursday, Oct. 9 at 7:30 p.m. at the Eisemann Center. This performance is being filmed to provide the troupe with promotional video for their return to Broadway at the New Victory Theater Dec. 5 through Jan. 4. CIRQUE ZÍVA will wow patrons of all ages with amazing acts, ancient artistry and a Lion Dance that will have the crowd roaring. Under the expert eyes of impresario Danny Chang and choreographer Angela Chang (both of Plano), this gem of a show sparkles in a stunning spectacle of breathtaking skill and beauty.

CIRQUE ZÍVA originally played at the Asbury Park Boardwalk's Paramount Theatre in 2011 and was the first summer run at the venue in its more than 80-year history. The troupe's 2005 New York debut at The New Victory Theater earned them two Drama



Desk nominations (Angela Chang for Best Choreography and Danny Chang for Most Unique Theatrical Experience). Danny Chang, the group's founder, producer and artistic director, is one of the world's leading promoters of Chinese acrobatics and has received the prestigious Medal for International Faith and Goodwill by the

Republic of China's Coordination Council for North American Affairs. The Golden Dragon Acrobats have traveled to all 50 states and more than 65 countries on five continents.

The concert is free, but tickets are required. Go to eisemanncenter.com to order tickets, with a maximum of four tickets per order.

Tickets on sale for 2014 OWT luncheon

Altrusa International of Richardson Foundation, Inc. will host the 11th Annual Outstanding Women of Today ... Builders of Tomorrow Luncheon and Awards Presentation Friday, Oct. 31, at The Hyatt Regency North

Dallas/Richardson. Tickets to the luncheon are \$50 per person.

At the luncheon, all nominees are honored; more than 300 community leaders are expected to attend. Check-in is at 11:30 am and the luncheon starts promptly at noon. Tickets may

be ordered at altrusarichardson.com; the deadline for reservations is Oct. 17. Sponsorships are also available.

Contact Janice Swallow at 469-835-8109 or contact@altrusarichardson.com for general luncheon inquiries.

Planting "The Bad Seed"

The fifth show of Richardson Theatre Centre's 25th season is "The Bad Seed," written by Maxwell Anderson and based on the novel by William March.

Nominated for the 1955 National Book Award for Fiction, the novel was adapted by Anderson into a successful and long-running Broadway play and an Academy Award-nominated film.

Performances of "The Bad Seed" will be held at Richardson Theatre Centre, 518 W. Arapaho Rd., Suite 113, Richardson. Open-

ing night is Friday, Oct. 3 at 8 p.m., with a reception to follow. The show runs through Sunday, Oct. 26. Shows will be held on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets for the Thursday and Sunday performances are \$20 and Friday and Saturday performances are \$22. Groups of eight or more receive \$2 off the ticket price. Reserve your ticket now by calling 972-699-1130.

Visit RTC at richardsontheatrecentre.net.

Seniors' Net holds seminars

Seniors' Net is hosting free seminars on topics affecting the aging population and their caregivers. Seminars will be held 10 a.m.-noon at NETWORK, 741 S. Sherman St.

Oct. 7
Your Retirement
Oct. 21
Easy Exercising

For more information, call 972-234-8880, ext. 118.

Electronics recycling, document shredding event is Oct. 11

The Richardson Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association (CPAAA) will hold an electronics recycling and document shredding event Oct. 11 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the City Hall/Civic Center south parking lot at 411 W. Arapaho Rd. Please enter the Civic Center parking lot on the west side off of Civic Center Dr. There are NO other entrances.

Acceptable electronics for recycling include:

- **Personal and Home Electronics**—phones, GPS devices, calculators, MP3 players, PDAs, radios, all TV's/projectors, cable/satellite receivers, VCRs, DVD player/recorders, remote controls, speakers, digital and NON-disposable film cameras, etc.

- **Home Office Equipment**—desktop computers, CRT/LCD monitors, speakers, printers, inkjet/laser cartridges, keyboards/mice, routers, copiers, fax machines, scanners, shredders, typewriters, etc.
- **Automobile Electronics**—radios, DVD players, speakers, etc.

NO Hazardous waste items will be accepted. This includes, but is not limited to, batteries, paint, cleaners and fluorescent bulbs. You may visit the Richardson web site at bit.ly/1uAlCTi for more information on hazardous waste disposal.

Personal shredding will be limited to what can fit into a car. Your documents will be destroyed on site, safely and securely by a commercial shredding company.

There is no charge to drop off your unwanted electronic items and personal shredding for recycling, but donations are encouraged for the CPAAA, a 501(c)(3) tax deductible charity, to use in support of the Richardson Police Department.

Your donations are used to provide general support to the Richardson Police Department employees, their families, and college scholarships for their children.

Please be generous as this event, offered twice a year, is the only fund raising event for the CPAAA. These events are intended for the disposal of house-

hold electronics and shredding. Prior to accepting commercial quantities, a fair donation will be agreed upon. For shredding, the charge will be \$4 per file storage box or equivalent.

Any questions may be addressed to Diann Bunnell at john-diann@sbcbglobal.net.



Help for your landscape from Texas A&M AgriLife

Classes are free but you must complete the online registration form. All classes will be at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center, Building C, 17360 Coit Rd., Dallas, TX 75252. For more information, call 972-231-5362 or go online to Dallas.TAMU.edu/Courses.

Trees for North Texas #103 Tues., Oct. 14, 6:30-8 p.m.
This program teaches proper tree selection and planting for North Texas, as well as proper watering, pruning, common insect issues and diseases. Tree list provided.

The Edible Landscape #107 Thurs., Oct. 16, 6:30-8 p.m.
This program teaches you how to incorporate edible plants into your home garden and landscape. You will learn how herbs, fruits and vegetables can add to the aesthetics and functionality of your landscape.

Native and Adaptive Plants #112 Tues., Oct. 21, 6:30-8 p.m.
This program covers a large selection of minimal water use plants that are native and adaptive for a sustainable landscape or garden. You will learn proper soil preparation, proper planting, and native and adaptive plant selection.



Richardson's annual NNO is Oct. 7



This year's National Night Out (NNO) event in Richardson will be held Tuesday, Oct. 7 and the theme remains "Give Neighborhood Crime and Drugs a Going Away Party." This is the event that encourages neighbors to "turn on your porch light, go outside, and meet your neighbor." This is the 31st year of National Night Out, the premiere celebration of the Neighborhood Watch Program that stretches across all 50 states,

U.S. territories and military installations around the world. This also marks the 31st year of Richardson's local Neighborhood Watch Program, a self-help initiative that partners residents with their police department in crime-fighting efforts to improve the quality of life in our neighborhoods.

Another goal of National Night Out is to increase Neighborhood Watch participation across the city. Neighborhood Watch Leaders are encouraged to seek out and invite those who may not have an organized Neighborhood Watch on their street to join in the fun and fellowship, and to find out the ad-

vantage of having a Neighborhood Watch on their own block. NNO is the opportune time to start one.

National Night Out is a very exciting event which draws our community together in partnerships to fight crime. This October, we will continue to show how the City of Richardson is one of the best in the nation. For more information on Richardson's NNO 2014, visit the website at richardsonpolice.net and click on the NNO logo. If you have any questions about National Night Out or the Neighborhood Watch Program, contact the Richardson Police Department Crime Prevention Unit at 972-744-4955.

Senior Center NNO Event—Oct. 6, noon-2 p.m.

Join the Richardson Senior Center and the Richardson Police Department Monday, Oct. 6 at the Senior Center for entertainment, hot dogs and sides, you bring a dessert. Come for fun and receive information on how to help fight crime in "Your Neck of the Woods."

Trash discount available for 65+

Richardson residents 65 years of age and older are eligible for a discount on their residential trash collection fee. In order to qualify, residents must come to City Hall and fill out an application form in the Water and Sewer Customer Service Office, Room 101.

The City requires that the person signing up for the exemption be the one whose name is on the City's water account. However, in the instance of a married couple, either party may fill out the form.

Individuals should bring one form of identification to City Hall.

Residents may apply for the discount the day they turn 65 and it will take effect on the next bill. With the discount, the charge for residential trash collection, including tax and the state-mandated landfill fee, is \$13.33. The same charge without the discount is \$18.

For more information on the discount, contact the Water and Sewer Customer Service Department at 972-744-4120.

Compost Yard Waste & Save Landfill Space



Do It Yourself

Mulching and composting provide nutrients needed for a healthy lawn. You'll save time and money by not having to use fertilizers in your yard or buying bags to dispose of the trimmings. Grass clippings can be left on your lawn—they'll break down quickly. Leaves can be shredded (with a mulching lawnmower or your regular lawnmower) and mulched. If you have a compost pile or bin, grass and leaves can be added to help your whole garden.

Bag Them Up

Brush and yard trimmings can also be turned into mulch and compost through Richardson's Brush and Bulky Item Collection (BABIC) program. Schedule a BABIC pickup.* Be sure to mention you have yard trimmings for compost. Your BABIC pickup day is the same as your recycle day. Put leaves and grass into a **compostable** bag and leave them by the street in front of your home. (Compostable paper or plastic bags may be purchased at local home improvement stores.)

Be Sure To...

Use a **compostable** bag. Regular plastic and biodegradable bags are not compostable and will be taken to the landfill. The City's blue recycling bags are not compostable.

Separate brush from bulky items (appliances, furniture, etc.) if you are having both picked up.

*To schedule a pickup, call 972-744-4111, visit cor.net/Recycling or use the MyRichardson App (download at cor.net/MyRichardson). For more information, visit cor.net/Recycling or cor.net/BABIC.

Richardson AnimaLuv

RichardsonAnimaLuv.org
Sharing Earth with animals

Bring your pet for dinner on the patio, a portion of the proceeds will benefit Richardson AnimaLuv.

Dinner With Your Pet fundraiser

Saturday, Oct. 18, 7-9 p.m.
Russo's Coal Fired Italian Kitchen
700 E. Campbell Rd.

All pets will receive a treat! There will be a silent auction to raise money for the adoption van.



Tenth Annual CITY WIDE PET DAY

Saturday, Nov. 8
10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Huffhines Park
Gazebo area
200 N. Plano Rd.

Free Parking! Free Admission!
Live entertainment with David Kleven (aka Critterman), Jay Johnson and the Berkner Ramblers.



972-744-4300

cor.net/parks

Parks & Recreation

Urban Naturalist Program Returns

Two nature walks are planned in November at Breckinridge Park as the City of Richardson revives its Urban Naturalist program. Each walk is \$5 for adults 18 and older plus \$2 for non-residents. Preregister by calling Heights Recreation Center (972-744-7850) or Huffhines Recreation Center (972-744-7881) or go online to cor.net/parksonline. No drinking fountains or restrooms are available in this area of the park. Feel free to bring water bottles, snacks, notebooks, binoculars or cameras. Long pants and sturdy shoes are recommended. Each walk is restricted to 25 participants and children are encouraged to attend but must be accompanied by an adult.



Participants enjoy a walk in the park. Two walks are planned for November.

Nature Photography in the Field

Saturday, Nov. 1
8:30-10:30 a.m.

Course Number: 80587

Join nature photographer and professional artist Larry Ammann on a morning walk to learn about nature photography and ways to photograph birds, plants and animals. Larry has recently shared

the featured artist role in a showing on the Green Mezzanine of the Eisemann Center with his nature photography. Bringing a camera is recommended but not required.

Natural History of our Outdoors in North Central Texas

Saturday, Nov. 15
8:30-10:30 a.m.

Course Number: 80589

Natural history is "the sciences dealing with the study of all objects in nature." Knowledge of the natural history of land is necessary to properly understand its management. This walk will take a look at the geology, water sources, climate, local flora/fauna and how they all are interconnected. Becky Rader, formerly of the Dallas Museum of Natural History and currently a consultant on natural resource management, will lead this walk.

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Huffhines Tennis Center
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Lessons for juniors and adults are available at the Huffhines Tennis Center. Group lessons are available in three-week blocks at a cost of \$60-\$108. Private lessons with Tennis Pro Shawn Foster and Assistant Tennis Pro Walt Williams are also available in 30 minute or one hour blocks.

The Huffhines Tennis center is a 10-court lighted facility located in the southeast corner of Huffhines Park. Fees are \$2 per person for 1 1/2 hours. Court reservations may be made by calling 972-744-7870 one day in advance. For information, visit bit.ly/1Bz1frE.

City Championship golf winners announced

The 2014 Richardson City Championship took place Aug. 30-31 at Sherrill Park Golf Course. The winners were:

- City Champion**
Ken Coutant (70-74-144)
- First Flight**
Dennis McKinney (66-78-144)
- Second Flight**
Adrian Walmsley (74-81-155)
- Third Flight**
Ken Jenkins (80-82-162)
- Fourth Flight**
Don Vance (69-67-136)

Lil' Punkins Fall Festival

Thursday, Oct. 30, 10 a.m.-noon
Huffhines Rec Center
Ages 2-6 years
Registration #79512
Cost: \$10 per person

Lil' Punkins join in the fun of our Lil' Punkins Fall Festival. There will be a petting zoo, games, crafts, activities, refreshments and a bounce house. Come in a costume for a special time. Please pre-register.

The resident champion will have his name inscribed on the Pro Shop trophy and took home a championship plaque. Upcoming tournaments at Sherrill Park include a 6-6-6 tournament Oct. 19 and two-man events Nov. 16 and Dec. 7. For more information about future tournaments at Sherrill Park, visit sherrillparkgolf.com or call the Sherrill Park Pro Shop at 972-234-1416.

Upcoming Golf Tournament

Richardson Chamber of Commerce Golf Classic

Tuesday, Oct. 7
Canyon Creek CC

Four-person scramble featuring a variety of contests sure to challenge golfers of all skill levels. Golf teams and sponsorship opportunities are available! Shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. Check-in at 11 a.m., with lunch included. Visit RichardsonChamber.com or call 972-792-2800.

Featured Artist: Brice McCasland

There's an art to having fun!

Cottonwood Art Festival

OCTOBER 4 & 5
Cottonwood Park • City of Richardson

- Museum-quality works from over 240 artists
- Live music • Hands-on Kid's Area - ArtStop

Saturday: 10a - 7p • Sunday: 10a - 5p

FREE ADMISSION • FREE PARKING
CottonwoodArtFestival.com

www.cor.net/parksonline

Senior Center

820 W. Arapaho Rd.

972-744-7800

All activities listed on pages 10-11 take place at the Richardson Senior Center unless otherwise noted. Additional Senior Center related activities can be found on page 6. Call 972-744-7800 for more information.

Hours of Operation: Mon., Tue., Thurs., 8 a.m.-9 p.m.—Wed. and Fri., 8 a.m.-5 p.m.—Sat., 1-5 p.m.

Special Events and Trip Information
Special events and trip information can be found on page 6 of this publication.

Classes

For all classes, unless otherwise noted, you may pay online (cor.net and scroll down to online registration), by phone with a credit card or in person with a credit card, check or cash.

Great Family Storytelling 1.0
L.E. Taylor, author of *Elgan and Grace-A Twentieth Century Saga believes*, "everyone has a story to tell." This workshop will stimulate and strengthen the brain through personal recall of life experiences. Whether you're a wannabe family legacy writer or a seasoned lit-major from way back... you will discover you do have your own story to tell and the joy of sharing your story with others. This workshop offers secrets and insights to help you get started. Next four-week session starts Oct. 7, 1-3 p.m. Course fee: \$80.

Quilt Essentials

Learn the art of hand piecing and quilting as well as sewing machine piecing and quilting. Beginner and experienced quilters welcome. Class meets Tuesdays from 10 a.m.-8:30 p.m. Cost for beginners and first-time students is \$35 per month and for advanced students is \$15 per month. Free buddy-sewing time is from 8-10 a.m. Tuesdays. All adults are welcome. Darlene Martin is the instructor.

ABC Quilting

This class offers encouragement and challenges for intermediate and advanced appliqué students. Beginning students will go through the basic appliqué techniques to build their skills and tabletop basting will be taught. A large standing basting frame will be available for those who have constructed quilt tops and need to pin, thread baste or tie their quilts. Hand piecers are welcome in this class, as are other quilters needing extra time to "catch up" on their quilt tops. This class meets every Monday from 2-6 p.m. Cost for the class is \$16 a month. Jan Eby is the instructor.

Ceramics

Ceramics meets each Tuesday from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. No fee. This is a self-paced class. You provide your supplies and pay firing fees.

Fun with Oils

A new session of oil painting classes begins the first Thursday of each month from noon-4 p.m. Instructor Andrew Wages has 20 years of experience teaching and has painted for 50 years. Cost for the class is \$85 a month.

Oil Painting

Gail Dixon begins a new session of oil painting instruction the first Thursday of each month from 1-4 p.m. All levels of painters are encouraged to attend. Cost for this four-week class is \$50.

Becky Parks Art Lessons

Monthly classes are designed for all levels of painters and are taught by award-winning local artist Becky Parks. Classes are Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Cost for the class is \$100 per month. Next session will start Oct. 1.

Adult Piano Lessons

Dr. Margaret Mulvey Claiborne offers piano lessons to adults 55 and older on a monthly basis. Cost is \$85 per month. Call 972-744-7800 for an appointment.

New!! Bridge Lessons

Learn how to play Party Bridge Wednesdays from 2:30-3:30 p.m. This six-week class costs \$10. Classes will start Oct. 15.

Fundamentals of Windows

You will learn the differences of Windows 7 and 8, Vista and XP. This class will help prepare you for when you are ready to explore other computer programs. Classes are held Mondays from 1-2 p.m. The next four-week session starts Oct. 6. Cost is \$50 with membership; \$53 without membership.

Internet Usage

In this class you will learn about such things as internet service providers, web browsing, web searching, e-mail, newsgroups, etc. The next two-week session starts TBA from 1:30-4:30 p.m. Cost for the class is \$50 with membership; \$53 without membership.

Create a Website

This class focuses on the creation of a personalized website. We will use the Yahoo Site Creation tool set. You can have your own registered domain name. We will include information on how to create multiple pages, including text, photos and videos. We will also look at putting your video on Google, You Tube and Yahoo. The new two-week session starts TBA from 1:30-4:30 p.m. Cost for the session is \$50 with membership; \$53 without membership.

Learn the Right Way to Sell on eBay

Learn how to sell on the Internet, do research and create listings to attract buyers, enhance listings with better descriptions and monitor sales. The next two-class session will be Oct. 21 and Oct. 28 with a class from 9 a.m.-noon or an class from 6-9 p.m. Cost for the class is \$50 with membership; \$53 without membership.

iPad Instruction 101

Learn how an iPad will make your PC information portable and convenient. Bring your iPad to class Monday, Oct. 6 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Cost of the class is \$60 with membership; \$65 without membership.

iPad Instruction 102

This class will cover all of the functions and applications available for your iPad. Bring your iPad to class Monday, Oct. 6 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Cost is \$60 with a membership; \$65 without a membership.

iPhone iOS 8, 101

A beginners' class to learn the basics of the iPhone. Learn what the buttons and icons can do for you. Also receive tips on the new iOS 8 operating system. Learn about new changes to the keyboard, interactive notifications, iMessage, iCloud Drive and more. Bring iPhone to Class Saturday, Oct. 25 from 2-3 p.m. Cost is \$35 with membership, \$40 without membership.

The Richardson Senior Center welcomes adults ages 55 and older. This facility is especially designed for senior enjoyment, and the staff looks forward to the opportunity to provide an atmosphere of enrichment and fellowship.

Unfortunately, the Center is not licensed to provide the services of an Adult Care facility. So, for the benefit of all patrons, the Center requires that all participants take full responsibility of their own physical care and hygiene. Those patrons needing assistance, or who lack the ability to navigate a wheelchair or walker independently, are welcome to be accompanied by a caregiver or an assistant. Your understanding and cooperation is appreciated.

iPhone iOS 8, 102 and 103

102 will cover the photos app on the phone to edit pictures, and how to take better videos. 103 will feature the new iPhone Health App. Learn how to use the app to keep all your health related information in one place on your phone. Bring iPhone to class Saturday, Oct. 25 from 3-4 p.m. (102) and 4-5 p.m. (103). Cost is \$35 with membership, \$40 without membership.

Facebook 101

This is a beginner's class to learn the basics of Facebook. Sign up and open a Facebook account, log in/out, explore Facebook pages: home, timeline/wall, insert profile and cover images, set notifications and find/invite friends. Bring iPad or tablet to class Saturday, TBA, 2-3 p.m. Cost is \$25 with membership; \$30 without.

Facebook 102

Class will cover finding and inviting friends on Facebook, organizing lists, controlling the newsfeed, controlling post visibility, block and unfriend, sending and receiving private messages, chat, using like, sharing posts and photos, tagging someone and privacy settings. Bring iPad or tablet to class Saturday, TBA, 3-4 p.m. Cost is \$25 with membership; \$30 without.

AARP

"Smart Driver" Program

Anyone 50 years and older may attend. The completion certificate is used for automobile insurance premium reductions. Please check with your insurance company for percentage of reduction. The certificate does not qualify for a traffic citation dismissal. Fee is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members. Reservations may be made by calling 972-744-7800. Please pay the instructor at the time of the class. Classes are held at the Richardson Senior Center:

Oct. 2	8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Oct. 16	6-10 p.m.

Defensive Driving for Ticket Dismissal

Got a ticket or just want to reduce your auto insurance rates? This course is approved by the Texas Education Agency for ticket dismissal. You must contact the court having jurisdiction over your ticket before you can take the class for dismissal of a traffic ticket. Classes are held at the Richardson Senior Center as follows:

Oct. 6 and 9	6-9 p.m.
Oct. 20 and 23	6-9 p.m.
Oct. 11 and 18	1:15-4:15 p.m.

Cost for the class is \$27 with membership; \$30 without membership. Please call 972-744-7800 or e-mail lakesidedriving@yahoo.com to register.

Plus Square Dance

Every first, third and fifth Monday 7-9 p.m. All Position Plus Dance-\$50 per dancer per quarter.

Just "A" Dance

The second and fourth Monday 7-9 p.m. Club Level plus Dance. \$48 per quarter.

All Position Line

Square Dance Lessons
Class date TBA. Fee is \$90 for 18 weeks and class is held 7-9 p.m.

Plus Square Dance Lessons
Classes started July 29 for 15 weeks. Cost is \$75.

Conversational Spanish

Brush up on your Spanish skills by joining our intermediate Spanish class. Some knowledge of the Spanish language is required. The next eight-week class session will start Oct. 30, 1 p.m. Cost is \$48.

Crochet

Classes are taught Thursdays from 10 a.m.-noon. The price is \$5 per class. For new students, please bring a #J or #H crochet hook and a skein of four-ply yarn.

Pocket Billiards Class

Ted Swanson, recognized with the Professional Billiard Instructor Association, will offer individually scheduled two-hour classes tailored for the student's needs. Classes are Saturdays, 1:30-3:30 p.m. Each class has a two student maximum. Beginner to advanced skill levels are available. Please register before day of scheduled class or call 972 744-7800 to register. Fee: \$10 per person/per class.

Programs

Health Connection

"Living with Neuropathy"—Dr. Rider will offer a Q and A seminar regarding numbness or tingling in your feet Oct. 23 at 10 a.m. If you are a diabetic or taking a statin drug, you will not want to miss this opportunity to learn more about Living with Neuropathy.

Happy Birthday Party

Winter birthdays (Dec., Jan., Feb.) will be celebrated Dec. 29.

Pool Tournaments

Pool tournaments are every Friday at 1 p.m. with registration beginning at 12:30 p.m. Due to Friday pool tournaments, open play is from 3:30-5 p.m. only.

Senior Bowling League

The Roadrunner Bowling League is a great way to meet new people and exercise at the same time. We have openings for regular members and subs for the 2013-2014 season. For more information, contact Richard Steffen-Pres., 972-865-9613; Lina McFerrin-VP, 972-596-4035.

Senior Table Tennis

Serious players who love the game are invited to play Thursday from 7-9 p.m. and Saturday from 1-4:45 p.m.

Tennis League

Richardson's Huffhines Tennis Center offers times exclusive to seniors. The senior men's group plays Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8 a.m.-noon. The ladies group plays Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m.-noon. A 3.0 (intermediate skill level) is required for both men and women players. Lessons are available to help players achieve this level. For information, call 972-744-7870.

Senior Golf League

The Richardson Senior Golf League is open to men and women 55 years or older playing at all skill levels. The members are divided evenly into four flights. All play is at Sherrill Park on Monday mornings with a shotgun start and alternates between Course 1 and Course 2. The league is for the enjoyment of golf, and several league rules have been adapted to speed up play and increase the pleasure of the game. Please contact Fred Williams, president, 214-537-4914, or Jim White, treasurer, 972-234-6167.

Richardson Public Library

The Richardson Public Library provides the Richardson Senior Center with books on CD and large-print books.

The Vintage Dance Club

The following calendar lists the dates for this month's dances.

Oct. 4	Bill G Band
Oct. 11	Doc Gibbs
Oct. 25	Gary Lee

Dances begin at 7 p.m. at the Senior Center, 820 W. Arapaho Rd., and end at 9:30 p.m. Dances are \$5 per person. Light refreshments are served.

Emeritus Plus 50 program at Richland College

Explore life-long learning with many opportunities from computers to art to history and more! Day, evening and Saturday classes are available. Call 972-238-6972 or log on to richlandcollege.edu/emeritus.

The Richardson Red Hatters

The Richardson Red Hatters welcome all women to put on their red hats, join the group and have some fun. The Red Hatters hold quarterly meetings the first Monday in February, May, August and November at 11:30 a.m. Bring your own lunch, drinks are provided. Meetings are held at the Richardson Senior Center. Next meeting is Nov. 3. Call 972-744-7800 for more information or questions.

Robin's Nest Craft Store

For those special gifts, shop at the Robin's Nest Craft Store in the Senior Center. Our senior consignment shop is open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and is located inside the Senior Center at 820 W. Arapaho Rd. Stop by, browse and admire the handmade crafts that are for sale. Open to the public.

972-744-7800

820 W. Arapaho Rd.

Senior Center



The Red Hats invite all to an afternoon of ghoulish fun Oct. 31 at 1 p.m. Come in costume for a costume contest, treats, fun, games, prizes and maybe a trick or two! Bring a treat. No fee.

Reelers Square Dance
The Reelers Square Dance Club hosts a square dance the first and third Friday evenings each month from 7:30-10:30 p.m. Admission is \$7 per person.

Sing-A-Long
Come and sing your favorite melodies at our sing-a-long at 1 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month.

AARP Richardson Chapter
The Richardson AARP Chapter #1651 meets the third Monday of the month at 1 p.m. at the Senior Center, all are welcome.

Needleworks
Bring your own needlework and join us for a day of friendship and handcrafts every Tuesday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Chess Club
The chess club meets Thursday nights from 6-9 p.m. and is a member of the U.S. Chess Federation. Call the Senior Center 972-744-7800 for more information.

Password and Mental Aerobics
Monday at 10 a.m.

Bingo
Bingo anyone? We play the third Thursday of the month at 2 p.m. **Due to the Flu Shot Clinic, Bingo will be played Oct. 16.

Let's Play "42"
Regular "42" games are scheduled Thursday afternoons from 12:30-4 p.m. at the Richardson Senior Center. New players welcome.

Photography Club
If photography is your hobby or you just love to take pictures, how about joining a photography club to share ideas and know-how? You do not have to own professional equipment, just the love of capturing a moment. Meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month, 7-9 p.m. No fee.

Games

Canasta
Thursday, 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.

Pinochle
Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.

Duplicate Bridge
Wednesday and Friday, 9:30 a.m.

Party Bridge
Friday, 10 a.m. If you are interested in taking bridge lessons please call 972-744 7800.

Bunco
Friday, 12:30 p.m.

Scrabble
Saturday, 1:30 p.m.

Cribbage
Tuesday, 10 a.m.

Mah Jongg
Wednesday and Thursday, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Many other games such as Chess, Skip-bo, Rummi-Cubes, Dominos and "42" are played by our patrons.

Tatting
Tatting is an ancient art of making lace with a shuttle and string using only one stitch. We have supplies for you to start and meet every Tuesday from 3:30-8 p.m. Free and open to all ages.

Yarn Arts
A group of like-minded people meet together to do yarn arts Monday evenings from 6-9 p.m. Call Barbara at 972-235-4976 for more information.

Services



City of Richardson Transportation Service
Transportation is offered to Richardson residents aged 55 and over. The City's van service operates Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Persons may ride anywhere within the city limits of Richardson for 25 cents each way. For general transportation, we begin taking reservations on Friday at 8:30 a.m., prior to the week you need service. For doctor's appointments, we begin taking reservations at 3 p.m. on Thursday. Call 972-744-7805 for reservations.

Benefits Counseling
The Dallas Area Agency on Aging is able to assist with questions about eligibility requirements for Medicare, Medicaid, SSI and other public health benefits. Counselors are available the first Friday of every month. Please call 972-744-7800 to schedule an appointment.

Counseling Services
Private counseling sessions are available for individuals, couples and families. Issues such as depression, grief, loss, retirement, career and other life stage issues are dealt with in a safe, confidential environment by a licensed professional counselor. Fees are \$40 per hour. Please call Liz Polanco at 972-898-5803 for appointment.

Volunteer Opportunities
Call Scarlett at 972-744-7811 for various volunteer opportunities at the Senior Center.

RSVP Volunteer Program Help Needed!!!
If you are looking for a way to give back to your community, how about becoming a volunteer for the "Richardson Rowdies?" If you are age 55 or older, you are invited to become a "Richardson Rowdies" volunteer. The Rowdies volunteer at various non-profits throughout Dallas and Collin County helping with mail outs, assembling "goodie bags," and other light tasks. The Rowdies meet at the Richardson Senior Center. Transportation is provided by RSVP to and from the volunteer locations. For more information on how to become involved, call Michael Gondran at 214-525-6167.

The Seniors' Net
A Senior Seminar on legal issues related to "Your Retirement" will be held Oct. 7 from 10 a.m.-noon at NETWORK of Community Ministries, 741 S. Sherman. Please call 972-234-8880 ext. 118 to register and leave a message. The Seniors' Net "Loaves of Love" program allows seniors residing within the Richardson ISD to shop for free loaves of bread at the NETWORK offices located at 741 S. Sherman St. in Richardson. The program is now open Thursdays and Fridays from 9-11 a.m.

First Richardson Helpers
First Richardson Helpers (FRH) is staffed by senior volunteers who provide minor home maintenance and repair service to seniors. Basic services include installation of bathroom grab bars and outdoor hand rails, repair of dripping faucets, running toilets and minor electrical problems as well as maintenance items such as caulking, light bulb and A/C filter replacement. In addition, FRH provides assistance with code enforcement issues. To request service, call the 24-hour hotline at 972-996-0160 or send an e-mail to info@FirstRichardsonHelpers.org.

Blood Pressure Checks
Free blood pressure screenings are available Wednesdays from 9-11 a.m. at the Senior Center.

Chair Massage
Lavona Kirtley, our chair massage therapist, offers chair massage on Tuesday mornings. Call 972-744-7800 to make your appointment.

iHeart Screening
iHeart Center will be at the Senior Center Oct. 15 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. to provide screening for Peripheral Artery Disease (PAD). Please call 972-744-7800 for an appointment.

Hearing Screening
Zounds Hearing of North Texas will offer free hearing screenings and check hearing aids the first Wednesday of every month from 9-10 a.m. Please call 972-744-7800 for your appointment.

The Memory Café
The Senior Center hosts a new FREE program called "The Memory Café" that is designed for both those who suffer from Alzheimer's/dementia and their family/friends. Participants will be able to socialize, share concerns/ideas and learn more about the issues facing those with memory loss and dementia. Memory Café will meet the first Thursday of the month from 10-11 a.m. The next meeting is Oct. 2.

Fitness

Fall WaterAerobic Classes
Popular instructor Laurie Wilder continues WaterAerobic instruction in the Fall. Classes meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday at JJ Pearce High School Natatorium located at 1600 N. Coit Rd. Class is held from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Cost for the class is \$30 a month or \$40 for a 10-class punch card (three month expiration). Call the information line at 972-744-7813 or the Richardson Senior Center at 972-744-7800.

Aerobic Exercise
Exercise classes are held Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8:15-9:15 a.m. Renata Racher teaches Tuesdays and Thursdays. Class fee is \$2 for her class.

Fit For Life—Beginning Strength Training Class
Strength training that works all muscle groups. Two classes offered the first Monday of month: 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., four weeks; first Wednesday of month: 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., four weeks. Fee is \$20 or \$7 per class. Cooper Institute Certified personal trainer Elaine Hosage is the instructor.

Fit For Life—Intermediate Strength Training Class
Classes for this next level of fitness begin the first Monday from 1-2 p.m. and the first Wednesday from 10-11 a.m. of the month for four weeks. Fee is \$20 for four weeks or \$7 per class. Cooper Institute Certified personal trainer Elaine Hosage is the instructor.

Tai Chi for all Ages
Join teacher Philip Russell in learning this fun and energizing way to better health. The cost is \$7 per class. Classes are Mondays from 10:30-11:15 a.m.

Hatha Yoga for all Ages
Bharati Amin, who has been teaching yoga for more than 35 years, is your instructor. Classes are held every Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:30-11 a.m. and Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:30-6:45 p.m. Cost is \$5.

Stretch and Strengthen
This class is designed for men and women at all fitness levels. You will regain or improve muscle tone, balance and flexibility. Wear comfortable loose-fitting clothing. No classes in September.

Zumba Gold
The new fun fitness rage of Zumba has now been modified to target older participants. Zumba Gold is a fitness program that is geared to active older adults, as well as those just starting their fitness journey. You will learn easy-to-follow moves to zesty music in a party upbeat atmosphere. Classes are held Mondays at 9:45 a.m. Drop in fee is \$5.

Pilates Class
Learn the basics of Mat Pilates from certified instructor Becky Parks. Class is for beginners as well as those with some experience. This class is done on the floor with a mat. Strengthen your core muscles to help improve posture, reduce lower backaches and gain balance. Class is for all ages and fitness levels.

How is your balance?
Personalized fitness programs are designed to help increase cardiovascular endurance, strength, flexibility and balance. All sessions are in a private room and are just \$60 each with a six-session commitment (\$90 each session for couples). Call 972-744-7800 to make your appointment with personal trainer Elaine Hosage. She is certified in special population (older adult) and general population by the Cooper Institute.

Pickle Ball League
Are you interested?
The Senior Center would like to start a Senior Pickle Ball League. If you are interested and would like more information, please call 972-744-7810.

Senior Holiday Bazaar
Our annual Senior Holiday Bazaar will be held Friday and Saturday, Nov. 7 and 8, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Richardson Senior Center. Registration began July 1 for Richardson residents only. If you are 55 or older, a resident and would like to participate in our annual craft sale, please fill out the registration form and mail it to The Richardson Senior Center, 820 W. Arapaho Rd., Richardson, TX 75080 Attn.: Holiday Bazaar. Robin's Nest crafters who were active crafters as of July 1 have priority. All items must be handmade by the crafter. Non-residents could register as of Aug. 1. Eight-foot tables with two chairs will rent for \$30 each. A Tax ID will be required to participate.

Name: _____
D.O.B.: _____
Address: _____

Phone: _____
Tax ID#: _____
Craft items to be sold include:

Tables requested: _____
Any special requests?

Dance Classes at the Senior Center				
Class	Day	Time	Fee	Instructor
Adv. Line Dance	Mon.	2:30-4:30 p.m.	\$3	Aubrey
Beg. Line Dance	Tues.	9:30-10:30 a.m.	\$11/Month	Halvorson
Int. Line Dance	Tues.	10:45-11:45 a.m.	\$2	Halvorson
Int./Adv. Ballroom	Wed.	2-4 p.m.	\$50 Couple/Month \$25 Single/Month or \$10 per class	Faris
Group Ballroom	Fri.	3-4 p.m.	\$10 Couple \$5 Single	Faris
Private Ballroom	Appointment		\$40	Faris

Lunchtime Lectures

Reconstruction

Presented by Richard Cudlipp
from Collin College's Seniors Active in Learning (SAIL) Program

Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28
11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m.
Basement Program Room
FREE
No registration required
you are welcome to bring your lunch



For information, please contact Vrena at 972-744-4376 or Richard Cudlipp at rcudlipp@sbcglobal.net.



Death Watch Beetle

Author David E. Huntley discusses his novel of post WWII intrigue



Nov. 4
11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Basement Program Room
FREE—No registration required
you are welcome to bring your lunch

For information, please contact Vrena at 972-744-4376.

Buns & Roses

Romance Tea for Literacy

Sunday, Oct. 12, 3-6 p.m.

Renaissance Hotel, 900 East Lookout Dr., Richardson, Texas 75080

Tea tables hosted by today's hottest romance authors.
Make your reservations soon!

To purchase tickets go to BunsAndRoses.org or call 972-644-5119.

Benefiting the Richardson Adult Literacy Center.



Featured Speaker
Kim Harrison

New York Times #1
bestselling author of
The Undead Pool and
The Witch with No Name.

Winter Gardening

Prep, Plant & Plan

Presented by
award-winning Master Gardener
Chrissy Cortez-Mathis

Saturday, Nov. 8
1-2 p.m.

Basement
Program Room

FREE
No registration
required

For information, please contact Vrena at 972-744-4376.

It's a Spook-a-licious Halloween Happening!

Spook-tacular stories, "boo"-tiful crafts, and trick-or-treating with puppets!

FREE! Saturday, Oct. 25
2:30-4:30 p.m.
Basement Program Room

Wear your Halloween Costume!

Ikebana

for
tweens & teens

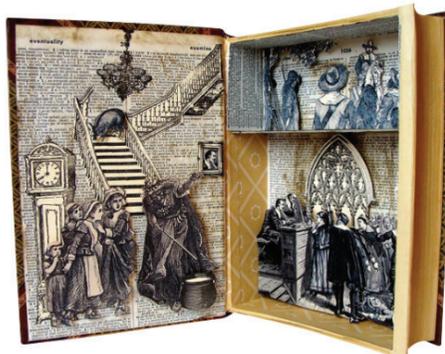
Saturday
Oct. 4
2-4 p.m.

For 5th-12th
graders only
Basement
Program Room

Learn the art of Japanese flower
arranging with the Ikebana
International Dallas Chapter #13.
All supplies
provided!



Registration
Required
Seating is limited.
Please call 972-744-4358



Altered Book Workshop

Let's spend a fun morning together learning new
techniques while creating a shadowbox book!



Saturday, Oct. 18
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Adults & Teens ages 13+
Basement Program Room



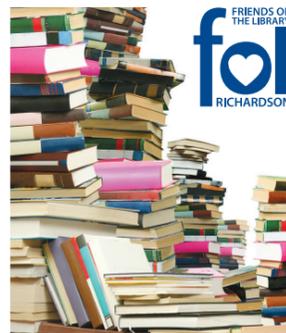
Registration for this FREE workshop begins Sept. 30.
Please call 972-744-4393 to register, leaving your
name and phone number.

Game On @ Culture Club! Games! Games! Games!
Carrom, Go, Loteria, Mancala, Mah Jong & more!
Play and learn games from around the world @ Culture
Club, a teens-only afternoon of fun.

TEEN GAME NIGHT GOES GLOBAL!

Saturday, Oct. 18, 2-4 p.m.

All in grades 6-12 welcome!
1st Floor Program Room



Fall Book Sale

Thursday, Oct. 9 5:30-8 p.m.*
Friday, Oct. 10 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 11 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sunday, Oct. 12 2-5 p.m.
*FOL Member's Only Preview

Richardson Public Library
Basement Program Room

RichardsonFOL.org
972-226-2167

FALL WIGGLE WORMS

Fall Wiggle Worms is a six-week program
for Richardson residents 12 to 36 months
old, accompanied by at least one
parent. Walking and wiggling
toddlers will be introduced to
books and reading using stories,
fingerplays, rhymes and music.



Wiggle Worm ends Thursday, Oct. 23.

Please choose ONE of the following times:

- Mon. 10:15-10:45 a.m. Group AM1
- Mon. 11-11:30 a.m. Group AM2
- Tues. 6:30-7 p.m. Group PM
- Thurs. 10:15-10:45 a.m. Group AM3
- Thurs. 11-11:30 a.m. Group AM4

Registration Required

Children must be 12 months old
by 09/01/14. Limit one guest
per child—one time only. Non-
residents: please ask us about
Family Storytime.

A valid library card is required for registration. Parents may register their own children
in the Children's Department, or by calling 972-744-4358.

FALL BABYSTEPS

Fall BabySteps is a six-week program to assist parents in
preparing their pre-walkers for reading readiness by
introducing them to books, stories, rhymes, fingerplays,
music and other early literacy tools.

For Richardson residents ages 6 weeks to 12 months old

Registration Required

BabySteps ends Friday, Oct. 24

Please choose ONE of the following times:

- Fri. 10:15-10:45 a.m. Group AM
- Mon. 6-6:30 p.m. Group PM



A valid library card is required for registration. Parents may register their own
children in the Children's Department, or
by calling 972-744-4358.

FALL STORYTIME

Storytime is a six-week program filled with stories,
poems, puppets, songs and fingerplays.

For Richardson residents ages 3-6 years old
Children must be 3 years old by Sept. 1, 2014
Children attend Storytime independently

Registration Required

Storytime ends Wednesday, Oct. 22

Please choose ONE of the following times:

- Tues. 3:30-4 p.m. Group ST-1
- Wed. 11-11:30 a.m. Group ST-2

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children in the Children's Department, or
by calling 972-744-4358.

