

**Eight page
Richardson Today**
Election guides for the bond and Charter elections are currently in production. Because of the additional time needed to create these publications, this month's issue is eight pages in length. We will return to our normal 12-page format next month.

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The Richardson Police Department will hold a free Public Safety Expo Saturday, Sept. 29 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at Richardson City Hall.



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Council calls bond and Charter amendment elections

The Richardson City Council voted last month to call for four bond propositions and 83 charter amendment propositions to be placed on the Nov. 3 ballot. No tax rate increase would be associated with any of the bond propositions.

Bond Election

A \$115 million bond package is being offered to voters through four propositions:

Proposition 1 (\$67 million)—includes funding for renovations to several municipal buildings including the Richardson Animal Shelter and Library, the replacement of Fire Station #3, the addition of a parking lot at the City's Fire Training Center, and the expansion and renovation of the Richardson Public Safety Complex.

Proposition 2 (\$38.5 million)—includes funding for street repair and rehabilitation. Money is also set aside for alley reconstruction, new traffic signals and battery backup units for the signals.

Proposition 3 (\$7.2 million)—includes money for the replacement of playground equipment at five parks, the expansion of hike and bike trails at Breckinridge Park and the Spring Creek Nature Area, renovations to the Senior Center and updates at the Canyon Creek Pool.

Proposition 4 (\$2.2 million)—includes funds to replace more than 10 miles of sidewalks.

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Charter Amendment Election

Eighty-three charter amendment proposals will be included on the Nov. 3 ballot. Among the propositions is a decision for voters to approve or deny a change that would revise the procedure for filling Council vacancies (calling a special election for mayoral vacancies and having the Council appoint replacements for vacant Council seats, unless there are two Council seats vacant at which time a special election would be called). The majority of the rest of the proposals are language updates (some portions of the current Charter were written in the 1950s); capitalization and spelling updates; and eliminations of sections where state law now covers their intent.

The reason for the large number of propositions is due to the time that has passed since the last Charter review, which took place in 1989. In the 2015 Charter Amendment Election voters will also be asked to decide on a proposition that would require the appointment of a Charter Review Commission at least every 10 years.

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Increased water fees felt after drought restrictions lifted

Around the end of August the City began receiving several calls and e-mails from people regarding their recent water bill. Questions ranged from wondering if there was a sudden change in rates to asking for an inspection to see if their water meter was broken. While rates have been steadily increasing over the past few years, they have not changed since last November's water statements. As is usually the case, July and August were regular hot North Texas months, but what's not the same is the large increase in demand for water now that the weather is hot and twice-per-week watering is allowed.

At this time last year, all North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) cities had implemented a once-every-other-week watering schedule due to the severe drought at the time. Those restrictions were eased to a "new normal" level earlier this year that allows a maximum of twice-a-week

watering, or four times as much as one year ago. Since that time, demand for water from Richardson residents has increased by nearly two-thirds more than what it was at this time last year and two-and-a-half times as much as in May (see graph below right).

"We're seeing huge increases in water use ever since the summer began and water restrictions eased," said Richardson Chief Financial Officer Kent Pfeil. "When people call questioning their bill we review their past usage with them and they begin to understand the real impact running their sprinklers is having."

Add to that the increases in water rates since before drought restrictions began and that creates a new reality for water use. The NTMWD has raised rates 64.8 percent since 2010. The City Council attempted to absorb the additional charges from the District initially but has since had to

raise rates to residents to offset the increases.

Beginning in November, an additional 8 percent water and sewer increase is expected to appear on water bills to cover an additional 11.2 percent increase being passed down from the District.

There are resources to find ways to conserve water use. WaterMyYard.org was setup by the District

through a partnership with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension to help residents know how much water is needed to irrigate their lawn. The District also provides other water conservation ideas at www.NorthTexasWaterIQ.org.

For more information on the District's activities to meet the city's and region's water needs, please visit www.ntmwd.com.

- Water usage is up 150% since May
- The NTMWD has raised water rates 64.8% since 2010.
- Visit www.NorthTexasWaterIQ.org for ways to conserve.



Richardson Public Library embraces new technology

Libraries have changed a lot over the years. While the Dewey Decimal System is still around 140 years after its invention, wooden card catalogs have been replaced by high-speed computers that can pull up search results in a split second.

Online catalogs are not the only change long-time patrons of the Richardson Public Library will notice. As people become more reliant on computers in their day-to-day lives, Richardson librarians are embracing technology in a way that ensures the Library's goal of facilitating lifelong learning continues to be met.

Speeding up the check out process

In 2013, the Library began using radio-frequency identification (RFID) chips to keep track of its inventory. The chips help eliminate the backlog during both the check out and check in process. Patrons wishing to check out books, DVDs and other items can simply scan their Library card, enter their PIN number and check out their items at the self check out stations without having to wait in line. When items are returned, they travel on a high-speed conveyor system where scanners read the RFID chips and automatically sort the items into the appropriate category.

C-Tech @ RPL transforms the second floor

The second floor of the Library has changed a lot in the past year with the creation of C-Tech @ RPL. The new creative technology space includes a 3D printer that is capable of printing objects in as little as 30 minutes, as well as dozens of computers with Internet access. Wireless printing is also available for users with laptops, iPads and iPhones.

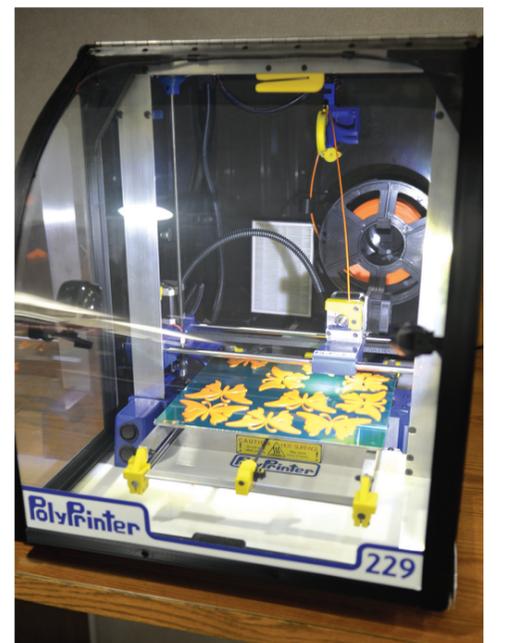
This month, the Library will debut two new computers that feature the Adobe Creative Suite, which, among other things, will allow users to digitally scan and manipulate photos using programs such as Photoshop. The Library has also recently rolled out its new Arduino kits, which will complement the littleBit kits in helping users learn about electronic programming. The Library also has programs for younger children to teach the basics of mechanics and engineering.

Going mobile

The Library is in the process of creating its own mobile app. Users will be able to log into their account, search the Library catalog, and access digital magazines from Zinio and eBooks from OverDrive. The app will also include a

calendar listing upcoming events and will be available for both Android and iOS devices.

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The Library's new 3D printer.

City Council to approve 2015-16 Budget Sept. 14

The City Council will hold a public meeting Sept. 14 at City Hall at 7 p.m. and vote to adopt the 2015-16 budget and property tax rate.

All meetings are open to the public and will be streamed live on the City website at www.cor.net and broadcast live on the City's cable TV station on Time Warner Cable, channel 16, and AT&T U-Verse, channel 99. On-demand replays of the meetings will also be available at www.cor.net.

The meeting will be held in the City Council Chambers at the City Hall/Civic Center at 411 W. Arapaho Rd.

“New Normal” water conservation plan in effect

Twice-per-week watering (no lawn watering 10 a.m.-6 p.m.)

Increased lake levels at North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) reservoirs led the City to initiate “conservation plan” water management strategies.

The new conservation plan went into effect May 1, and the watering schedule allows for irrigation at even addresses on Tuesdays and Saturdays and at odd addresses on Wednesdays and Sundays, with no lawn watering from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Additional watering of landscapes and lawns may be provided by a hand held hose with a shut-off nozzle, a drip irrigation system and/or a soaker hose any day of the week at any time.

Please water only as needed, based on moisture content of the soil. Visit www.watermyard.org for ground moisture information to find the best times to water your yard.

Twice-per-week watering schedule

September 2015							October 2015						
		1	2	3	4	5					1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30				25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Water days for even numbered addresses (ending in 2, 4, 6, 8, 0)
Water days for odd numbered addresses (ending in 1, 3, 5, 7, 9)

www.cor.net/WaterConservation—972-744-4220

El Consejo convoca a elecciones para obligaciones y modificación de la Carta Orgánica

El Consejo Municipal de Richardson votó el mes pasado a favor de la inclusión de cuatro propuestas de obligaciones y 83 propuestas de modificación de la carta orgánica en la papeleta de votación del 3 de noviembre. Ninguna de las propuestas de obligaciones está relacionada con un aumento de impuestos.

Elección de obligaciones

Se ofrece a los votantes un paquete de obligaciones de 115 millones de dólares, a través de cuatro propuestas:

Propuesta 1 (\$67 millones)—incluye la financiación de renovaciones en varios edificios municipales, incluyendo el Refugio de Animales y la Biblioteca de Richardson, la sustitución de la Estación de bomberos n.º 3, la adición de un estacionamiento en el Centro de Capacitación de bomberos de la Municipalidad y la ampliación y renovación del Complejo de Seguridad Pública de Richardson.

Propuesta 2 (\$38.5 millones)—incluye financiación para reparación y rehabilitación de calles. También se destina dinero para la reconstrucción de calle-

jones, señales de tráfico nuevas y unidades de batería de respaldo para las señales.

Propuesta 3 (\$7.2 millones)—incluye dinero para la sustitución de equipos en cinco parques infantiles, la ampliación de senderos para caminar y andar en bicicleta en el Parque Breckinridge y en el área natural de Spring Creek, renovaciones del Centro para Adultos Mayores y actualizaciones en la piscina de Canyon Creek.

Propuesta 4 (\$2.2 millones)—incluye fondos para cambiar más de 10 millas de aceras/banquetas.

Elección de modificaciones de la Carta Orgánica

En la papeleta de votación del 3 de noviembre se incluirán 83 pro-

puestas de modificación de la carta orgánica. Entre las propuestas se incluye una decisión para que los votantes aprueben o no un cambio que revisará el procedimiento para cubrir las vacantes en el Consejo (convocando a una elección especial para las vacantes de la alcaldía y mediante la cual el Consejo designará los reemplazos de los puestos vacantes del Consejo, salvo que haya dos vacantes en el consejo, en cuyo caso se convocará a una elección especial). La mayoría del resto de las propuestas son actualizaciones de lenguaje (algunas partes de la Carta orgánica actual fueron redactadas en la década del 50), actualizaciones del uso de mayúsculas y de ortografía y eliminaciones de secciones donde actualmente la ley estatal abarca la intención.

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City Social Media

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

Community Events. You can also view CITV videos on YouTube. Visit www.cor.net/SocialMedia for a full listing.



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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

There are some exciting things happening at the Richardson Library that I want to tell you about. If you haven't been to the Library in a few years, you need to go soon because there is a lot more to do than just check out books.

One of the most recent additions which seems to stand out the most is the new 3D printer, which debuted earlier this year and serves as the centerpiece of the Library's creative technology center, dubbed C-Tech @ RPL. The printer stays busy churning out items ranging from chess pieces to bookmarks, adding small bits of material one piece at a time until the project is complete in as little as 30 minutes. Of course, more complex projects take quite a bit longer, so don't hesitate to gather the family and head to the Library to learn more about 3D printing.

While the 3D printer is hard to miss, the implementation of another type of technology is a bit more subtle. Every item you can check out among the Library's 259,000-piece collection contains a radio-frequency identification (RFID) chip. About the size of a grain of rice, the RFID chips were paid for with bond funds approved by Richardson voters in 2010 and streamlines the check in and check out process. In late 2013, the Library purchased a new automated sorting system, which reads the RFID chips and then handles and sorts returned materials using a high-speed conveyor belt.

The willingness of Richardson voters to fund Library innovations



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is proof that you value the importance of a strong public library. To have a vibrant city we must have an educated population, and the Library, with its mission to promote lifelong learning, is an important part of the education process in our community.

The Richardson Public Library has changed a lot since it moved to its current home in 1970, and thanks to Richardson residents, those changes will continue to take place and ensure our Library is something with which we can all be proud.

Sincerely,

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About City Council Meetings

Richardson City Council meetings (second and fourth Mondays of each month at 7 p.m.) and work sessions (Mondays at 6 p.m.) are open to the public, and citizens are welcome to attend. Each meeting's agenda is posted at City Hall on a bulletin board at the west end of the building and can be found on the City website, www.cor.net.

The agenda is posted on Friday evening prior to the Monday night meeting. You may request a copy of the agenda or more information by calling the City Secretary's Office at 972-744-4292.

City Council meetings and work sessions are broadcast live on the City's website at www.cor.net and on the City's cable TV channel on Time Warner Cable (channel 16) and AT&T U-Verse (channel 99). Taped replays of the meetings are also available on the website within 24 hours.

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.

UNIQUE FINDS AT THE LIBRARY



GRAND IMAGINATION STATION



The first floor children's area will take your imagination to new, far-off places. Check out Morocco the Monkey and his hot air balloon, which hovers high above the children's department on its way to new discoveries. Or you can see Trevor the Travelling Dog, who encourages children to read and explore new areas of the world. Trevor and Morocco, and the other characters in the children's area, make the Library a fun place for children to play and learn.



THE Quiet Zone

Looking for some peace and quiet? If so, visit the third floor of the Library, which is a designated quiet zone. Guests are asked to silence their cell phones and keep their voices down so patrons who are reading and studying will not be disturbed.



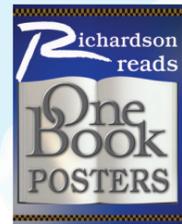
Most hidden study table



Made in Japan and decorated in the Kutani style, this \$5,000 vase used to grace the lobby of former Richardson company Twin Star Semiconductor Inc. It was given to the City as a gift in 1998.

THIRD FLOOR

Librarians are more than just book lovers—see what else interests the Library staff in three glass cases near the Art Gallery, which rotate collections every few months. Past collections have included board games, world souvenirs and quilts.



In the hallway leading to public restrooms and administration offices, see framed posters autographed by past Richardson Reads One Book authors. Most write more than just their name!



A new graphic novels collection for ages 16 and up is located near the Adult Fiction area. Graphic novels for children and teens have been located in the Youth Services Department for several years.



Computer/Internet access



3D Printer

SECOND FLOOR

N. Central Expressway

Arroyo Road

Belle Grove Drive



The Friends Reading Garden

While there's no barista to serve you, The Coffee Café offers six kinds of machine-made coffee, hot chocolate and even an espresso shot for only \$1/cup. You're even allowed to take your beverage elsewhere in the Library.

Take a look at Richardson in 3D circa 1924 via the large diorama table located in the Children's Department.



Car sofa!

Need project ideas for the elementary school science fair? Look no further than Children's Reference.



Located in The Coffee Café, peruse used magazines and books—and then take them home for a small donation. Suggested donations, given at the 1st Floor Information Desk, are 25 cents/magazines; 50 cents/paperbacks; and \$1/hardbacks.



FIRST FLOOR

Experience this cutting edge piece of technology outside, then come inside and go behind the scenes—Librarian Darrell Cook is happy to give tours of the RFID check in process upon request. Who knew returning books could be so interesting?

Private study rooms for one-two people and private group study rooms for up to eight are located in the basement, with semi-private rooms on the third floor.

STUDY ROOMS

With bright blue tabletops, modern table lamps, ergonomic chairs, electrical outlets and free WiFi, you may never work or study at another busy restaurant again. Available on a first-come, first-served basis.



YEARBOOKS

Find great fodder for Facebook's Throwback Thursdays in the Library's collection of past yearbooks, from West Jr. High, The Hockaday School and all four RISD high schools from past to present. The yearbooks can't be checked out, but patrons can still snap photos or scan/copy pages—copy machines are located nearby, 15 cents per copy.

Coupons Free coupons for the taking in categories such as personal care, pets, paper goods, food/beverage, etc.

A tall, locked glass cabinet houses several prized items, including books autographed by U.S. Presidents Johnson and Truman, the tiniest book in the Library, and old photos of Richardson.

BASEMENT

Little Free Libraries popping up around Richardson



A grassroots reading initiative focused on sharing books with strangers is gaining ground in Richardson. The Little Free Libraries (LFL) program began in 2009 when a Wisconsin man crafted a small replica of a one-room school house about the size of a large mailbox and stuffed it with free, used books in hopes of promoting literacy.

More than a dozen LFL boxes have been installed in the city, including one at the Richardson Animal Shelter that includes mostly books about animals. The boxes are placed by volunteers who initially stock the box with books. From then on, readers who take a book from a box are expected to leave a book in its place, increasing the variety and diversity of books in each box. Since 2009, the libraries have become a popular stop in neighborhoods around the country where readers can grab a new novel or drop off an old book for free.

The box at the Animal Shelter was donated by the Friends of the Richardson Library (FOL), which

has fully embraced the LFL concept and offers free kits to residents who wish to get involved. The kit includes everything needed to construct a box, as well as a few initial books to get the sharing started.

"The Friends of the Richardson Public Library join the Library in advocating on behalf of books and literacy by providing our community with ready access to reading materials in their neighborhoods," said Library Director Susan Allison. "Little Free Libraries are visual reminders that literacy builds community."

While the FOL kits are available, people are also encouraged to build their own LFL boxes. With more than 30,000 boxes in 70 countries around the world, the appearance of the boxes varies widely. In Richardson, one box built by a firefighter resembles a fire hydrant, while another features cast-off lumber from a nearby building site.

Anyone interested in receiving a free kit should contact the Friends of the Richardson Library

at www.richardsonfol.org and fill out an application. For a local/international database of Little Free Library book exchanges, visit www.littlefreelibrary.org.



The Little Free Library at the Richardson Animal Shelter.

Youth programs nurture lifelong literacy

Did you know that our nation's earliest public libraries did not allow children? Luckily that policy changed by the late 1800s, when children's divisions at libraries began becoming popular. The Richardson Public Library, which officially opened in 1959, has always kept young readers in mind. Today it offers more than 101,000 books for infants through high schoolers and a host of other services and activities, designed to make reading and learning fun as well as position the Library as a great place to spend free time.

In addition to story times, puppet shows, author appearances, teen game nights and "live critter" presentations held throughout the year, Library programming recently expanded to include LEGO building workshops and opportunities for children to work with gears and easy snap-together electrical circuits.

"These activities tie in with our C Tech area," said Vrena Patrick, Library Community Services Supervisor. "Digital literacy is just as important for us to help develop in children as traditional literacy, being able to read and write. Not every school teaches kids to be digitally literate but there is a huge de-

mand for it...and you don't have to invest a lot of money to learn if you come here."

The Library has worked with UT Dallas in creating free programming classes for children and teens such as "Scratch Day," held in May, and also allows parents to bring children to adult/teen classes such as the 3D Printing and Tinkercad class held each month. "We've had kids as young as eight years old in that class," said Patrick. "Kids pick it up a whole lot faster than adults."

Other Library offerings for children include craft parties and Tales for Tails, where children in grades

K-4 increase their reading confidence by reading to Heart of Texas Therapy Dogs. When children reach age 13, they're eligible to take part in special programs planned by a teen-led Teen Advisory Board as well as use a "teens only" reading and study area.

While today's kids and teens are sometimes thought of as too wrapped up in other diversions to spend time at a library, the Richardson Public Library staff knows otherwise.

"All our youth programs are well attended," said Patrick. "People flock here."



The "Snap to It!" program held at the Library last month, provided children with kits to "snap" together an electric light, a two-speed fan, a musical doorbell or a flying saucer.

Library embraces technology

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Microfilm is still important

While storing and viewing documents on microfilm may seem like a thing of the past thanks to computers, that is not the case, said Stacey Davis, a librarian in the reference department. Documents and newspapers are still stored on microfilm because of the medium's longevity. Davis said in the 1980s many documents were stored on "then new" formats that quickly fell out of favor and are now non-readable, an outcome that is prevented by microfilm, which has stood the test of time.

While storing items digitally is clearly the wave of the future, transferring microfilm to digital storage is expensive and time consuming. To help researchers, the Library recently received a new digital microfilm reader that allows documents to be saved as PDFs and also includes controls to help make microfilm more readable.

Enhancing access for all patrons

Some of the newest technology on the Library's second floor is designed to aid blind and vision-impaired patrons and was funded by the U.S. Institute of Museum and

Library Services through a grant to the Texas State Library and Archives Commission.

The machines include a desktop magnifier that scans text and magnifies it up to 67 times. Another piece of equipment is geared for web surfing and allows the screen of the otherwise standard computer to be magnified up to 36 times and allows users to manipulate the screen color for strain-free reading. The software will also read text aloud from websites. The final piece in the new collection is a self-contained scanning/reading device where users can save a digital image of printed material, which is then transferred to a computer monitor and read aloud using optical character recognition software. Grant funds also allowed the Library to purchase two fully automated tables that can be raised or lowered at the touch of a button to accommodate users.

"This new equipment will allow us to better serve an important part of our community," said Vrena Patrick, Library Community Services Supervisor. "Our goal is to teach literacy at every level, and that includes digital literacy. If there are new technologies out there that will help us meet that goal, we will look into it."

Join the club at the Library

The 2015 Richardson Reads One Book selection, "We Are Called to Rise," was read, discussed and analyzed by residents and book clubs throughout the city all summer. Among the clubs to read the novel were the three BOOKbabble book discussion groups and the First Wednesday Book Club that all meet at the Richardson Public Library. Each month, members read and discuss the best in literary fiction, memoir and biography. The Library also has a fourth book club, the Real Reads Book Club, which meets monthly and focuses on nonfiction works.

First Wednesday Book Club: Meets at 7 p.m. for coffee and 7:30 p.m. for presentations and discussions on the first

Wednesday of the month in the Second Floor Conference Room. The September book is "The Good Spy: Life & Death of Robert Ames" by Kai Bird.

2nd Wednesday BOOKbabble: Meets at 10:30 a.m. on the second Wednesday of the month in the Second Floor Conference Room. The September book is "The Circle" by Dave Eggers.

3rd Wednesday BOOKbabble: Meets at 10:30 a.m. on the third Wednesday of the month in the Second Floor Conference Room. The September book is "One Summer: America 1927" by Bill Bryson.

4th Tuesday BOOKbabble: Meets at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of the month in the Second Floor Conference Room. The

September book is "The Rosie Project" by Graeme C. Simsion.

Real Reads Nonfiction Book Club: Meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month in the Second Floor Conference Room. The September book is "The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind" by William Kamkwamba.

For upcoming BOOKbabble titles, visit www.bit.ly/BOOKbabble, upcoming Real Reads titles, visit www.bit.ly/RealReads, and upcoming First Wednesday titles, visit www.bit.ly/FirstWednesdayBook. For more information or to register for the Library's book clubs, contact Janet Vance at 972-744-4352 or Vrena Patrick at 972-744-4376.

Library by the numbers

- 491,110: Visitors to the Library in 2014.
- 36,327: People who attended Library programs in 2014.
- 7,240: Volunteer hours worked at the Library in 2014.
- 259,655: Items in the Library's collection.
- 1.4 million: Annual circulation as of 2014.
- 1878: The Library has a copy of the 1878 plat of Richardson, only five years after the city was founded.
- 1888: Year that National Geographic Magazine debuted. A copy of the inaugural edition is housed at the Library.
- 1959: In the 1940s a library existed in the general store owned by Ms. Jessie Durham. Her library closed in 1959 and the books were moved to the new library in wagons pulled by members of the Boy and Girl scouts.
- 1970: The year the Library moved to its current location at 900 Civic Center Dr.



Labor Day sanitation schedule, recycle make-up days

Due to the Labor Day holiday, there will be **NO recycling pick up, solid waste pick up or special pick up Monday, Sept. 7.** The table below shows the recycle make-up days.

Recycle collection days affected by holiday	Make-up day
Monday, Sept. 7	Tuesday, Sept. 8
Tuesday, Sept. 8	Wednesday, Sept. 9

City facility schedule for Labor Day holiday Sept. 7

Facility	Closing dates/times
City Hall/Civic Center, Municipal Court, Animal Shelter, Library, Gymnastics Center, Huffhines Recreation Center, Heights Recreation Center, Senior Center	Closed Sept. 7
Tennis Center	8 a.m.-4 p.m. Sept. 7
Sherrill Park Golf Course	Open
Heights Family Aquatic Center	10 a.m.-9 p.m. Sept. 7

Urban tree care, compost events Sept. 19

Urban tree care workshop

An urban tree care workshop will be held Saturday, Sept. 19 from 9-10:30 a.m. at the Richardson Service Center, 1260 Columbia Dr.

Fall is the ideal time to plant new trees and to perform tree maintenance. Tyler Wright, an urban and community forester with the Texas Trees Foundation, will cover the following topics:

- Proper site selection
- Proper tree selection
- Proper planting procedures
- Proper pruning practices
- Ice/wind damage of trees

This event is free, but please register with Michelle Mann at michelle.mann@cor.gov or call 972-744-4228.

Compost seminar

A free compost seminar will be held Saturday, Sept. 19 from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. At the Richardson Service Center, 1260 Columbia Dr.

Backyard composting helps save landfill space by keeping grass clippings and leaves out of the solid waste stream. Instead, these materials are transformed into valuable nutrients for the yard and flowerbeds. Participants will learn the basics of backyard composting, as well as advanced tips and techniques.

The seminar is taught by Mary Tynes, a nationally known expert on backyard composting and is the site editor of www.mastercomposter.com.

Space is limited for this event so please contact Victoria Sum at victoria.sum@cor.gov to make reservation.



Cottonwood Art Festival
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THE SPECTACULAR SENIOR FOLLIES
(2 p.m. Sept. 17-20, 7 p.m. Sept. 19. \$15-\$50. Visit www.seniorfollies.com.)

RUSSIAN GRAND BALLET PRESENTS "SWAN LAKE"
(7:30 p.m. Sept. 24. \$17-\$100.)

"MEN ARE FROM MARS, WOMEN ARE FROM VENUS LIVE"
(8 p.m. Sept. 24-26, 2 p.m. Sept. 26. \$60. Visit www.marsvenuslive.com.)

PLANO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA PRESENTS "TCHAIKOVSKY SPECTACULAR" with featured guest artist Chee-Yunkim, violin
(8 p.m. Sept. 26. Tickets available online at www.planosymphony.org.)

RICHARDSON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA OPENING NIGHT CONCERT
(8 p.m. Oct. 3. \$17-\$87. Visit www.richardsonsymphony.org.)

JEFFREY SIEGEL'S KEYBOARD CONVERSATIONS "THE PASSIONATE LOVE MUSIC OF ROBERT SCHUMANN"
(7:30 p.m. Oct. 5. \$28-\$33. Visit www.keyboardconversations.com.)

Coming up at the Civic Center

Chamber of Commerce Health Fair
Sept. 18
www.richardsonchamber.com

North Dallas Mother of Twins Consignment Sale
Oct. 3
www.ndmotc.org

Dallas Bead Market
Sept. 25-27
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Richardson, Texas 75080
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RPD Public Safety Expo

The Richardson Police Department will hold a free Public Safety Expo at Richardson City Hall Saturday, Sept. 19 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Featured:

- Police vehicles, SWAT and K-9 demonstrations
- Fire Department and CareFlite Helicopter display
- Crime prevention, emergency management, police recruiting
- North Texas Auto Task Force
- McGruff and "Nat" the National Night Out Knight
- ADT Security, Home Depot
- Free bounce house and face painting
- Refreshments available for purchase



Fire Station #6 has blue bags Sept. 12

Due to the Labor Day holiday, Fire Station #6 will offer blue recycling bags for purchase Saturday, Sept. 12 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. The 30-gallon bags are \$3.50 for residents, or \$4 for non-residents. Credit and debit cards are accepted.

For more information, call 972-744-4111.

Save the Date!

Oct. 17 Electronics recycling/shredding event

The Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association will host an electronics recycling/shredding event Saturday, Oct. 17 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at Richardson City Hall/Civic Center south parking lot.

NNO is Oct. 6

Richardson residents will participate in the annual National Night Out (NNO) Tuesday, Oct. 6 from 6-8 p.m. Officers, dignitaries and VIPs will ride out to visit residents at their neighborhood block parties all over the city to promote awareness, safety and neighborhood unity. NNO showcases the vital importance of police-community partnerships and citizen involvement in our fight to build a safer nation.

For more information, and to register your block party, go to www.richardsonpolice.net or contact the Crime Prevention Unit at 972-744-4955.



Find local professionals who can help your health & fitness, nutrition and special needs. Want to host a booth? Contact Bonnie at 214-636-1310

Friday, Sept. 18
11:30 am - 5 pm
Richardson Civic Center
Free to attend

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City's 43rd annual Christmas Parade presents

"Christmas in Toyland" Dec. 5

Registration begins Nov. 2

The 43rd Annual Richardson Christmas Parade, produced by the City of Richardson, has been scheduled for Saturday morning, Dec 5. The theme for this year's parade is "Christmas in Toyland." Individuals and groups are encouraged to represent this theme in their costumes, vehicles and floats. The registration form can be found online beginning Nov. 2 at www.cor.net/christmasparade. Deadline for registration is Nov. 29.

For information regarding the parade, please contact Parade Chairperson, Barbara Cottone at barbara.cottone@cor.gov or Allison Hayes at allison.hayes@cor.gov or 972-744-7853.

Revitalization Awards nominations due Sept. 18

The Richardson City Council created the Community Revitalization Awards in 1994 to recognize owners who have enhanced the community by making significant improvements to their properties. Both residential and non-residential properties are eligible for consideration. More than 200 properties have been recognized since the program's inception. Because no one knows their neighborhoods better than residents, the City is asking the public to identify candidates for the 2015 Community Revitalization Awards.

Nomination process

Nominations may be submitted by anyone, including the property owner, and may be submitted any

time throughout the year. The nomination deadline for the 2015 awards is Friday, Sept. 18. Nominations received after Sept. 18 will be held for consideration next year.

Nominations must include the property address, a description of the exterior/site improvements that have been made, and any additional information available, such as the property owner's name and contact information. Contact information for the person making the nomination should also be provided. Before and after photos are particularly helpful, but are not required. This information can also be viewed on the Community Revitalization Awards website listed below.

For more information on the awards or to submit a nomination, contact:

Chris Shacklett, Senior Planner, Development Services Dept.
P.O. Box 830309
Richardson, TX 75083-0309

972-744-4249 (phone)
972-744-5804 (fax)
chris.shacklett@cor.gov
www.cor.net/cra

Senior Center

820 W. Arapaho Rd.

972-744-7800

All activities listed on pages 6-7 take place at the Richardson Senior Center unless otherwise noted. 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.

Classes

For all classes, unless otherwise noted, you may pay online (www.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 Sept. 8, 1-3 p.m. Course fee: \$80.

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.

NEW!! Watercolor NEW!!
Renata Sharman will offer watercolor classes for beginners. Students will learn the basics of materials, tools and techniques of watercolor. Students will create their own art work using florals, seasonal themes, abstracts or landscape, for their watercolor project. Intermediate and advance self-pace students are welcome. Classes are held Tuesdays for four consecutive weeks from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Classes start Sept. 8. Cost is \$80. Please call 972-744-7800 for the class supply list.

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.

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 Sept. 14. Cost 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, Sept. 14 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Cost of the class is \$60 with membership; \$63 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, Sept. 14 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Cost is \$60 with a membership; \$63 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, Sept. 19 from 2-3 p.m. Cost is \$60 with membership, \$63 without membership.

iPhone iOS 8, 102

102 will cover the photos app on the phone for editing pictures and how to take better videos. Bring your iPhone to class Saturday, Sept. 19 from 3-4 p.m. Cost of the class is \$60 with membership, \$63 without membership.

Excel 101

This class will introduce you to Microsoft Excel spreadsheets. You will learn functions of the Excel menus, ribbon bars and create spreadsheets and lists. Classes are held Mondays 2-3 p.m. The next four-week session starts Sept. 14. 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, YouTube and Yahoo. The new two-week session starts TBA. Cost for the session is \$50 with membership; \$53 without.

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 Sept. 29 and Oct. 6 with a class from 9 a.m.-noon. Cost for the class is \$50 with membership; \$53 without membership.

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.

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.

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:

Sept. 3	8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Sept. 17	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:

Sept. 1 and 3	6-9 p.m.
Sept. 21 and 24	6-9 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.

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.

All Position Line

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

Beginner Square Dance

New class session started July 28. Classes are Tuesday and Thursday nights at 7-9 p.m. Cost of lessons is \$75 per person.

Just "A" Dance

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

Crochet

Classes are taught Thursdays from 2:15-4:15 p.m. The price is \$5 per class. For new students, please bring a #J or #H crochet hook and a skein of four-ply yarn.

New!! Bridge Lessons

Learn how to play Party Bridge Wednesdays from 2-3:30 p.m. The next five-week session will start Sept. 30. Classes cost \$10.

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 Sept. 17 at 1 p.m. Cost is \$48.

Pocket Billiards Class

Ted Swanson, recognized by the Professional Billiard Instructor Association, offers 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 class or call 972-744-7800 to register. Fee: \$10 per person/per class.

Programs

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.

Sing-A-Long

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

Health Connection

Sept. 17—10 a.m.

Joyce Bolcik, with Choice Plus Benefits, will provide specifics on all components of Medicare. This presentation will discuss available options and differences between traditional Medicare supplemental insurance and Medicare Advantage Plans. Q and A will follow. Door Prizes.



Senior Table Tennis

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

Shuffleboard

Shuffleboard is available for play during regular Senior Center hours.

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.

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. 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 Alan Tanowitz, president, 972-231-6882, or Jim White, treasurer, 972-234-6167.

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 2015 season. For more information, contact Richard Steffen-Pres., 972-865-9613; Lina McFerrin-VP, 972-596-4035.

The Saturday Night Vintage Dance Club

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

Sept. 5	Doc Gibbs
Sept. 12	Bill G Band
Sept. 26	Tommy Chandler

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.

Richardson Public Library

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

Texas Reelers Square Dance

The Texas Reelers Square Dance Club sponsors square and round dancing the first and third Friday of every month from 7:30-10 p.m. Like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/TheTexasReelersSquareDance. Admission is \$7.

Rebel Rousers Square Dance

The Rebel Rousers Square Dance Club host a square dance the third Saturday of each month from 7:30-10:30 p.m. Fee is \$7 per person.

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 www.richlandcollege.edu/emeritus.

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 Richardson Red Hatters

The Richardson Red Hatters welcome all women to put on their red hats, join the group and have some fun. Next meeting is at 11:30 a.m. Nov. 2. Bring your own lunch, drinks are provided. Meetings are held at the Richardson Senior Center. Call 972-744-7800 for more information or questions.

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.

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.

Mental Aerobics

Mondays at 10 a.m.

Backgammon

If you are interested in playing backgammon once a week at the Senior Center, please call 972-744-7800.

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.

Bingo

Next Bingo is Sept. 17 at 2 p.m.

Tatting

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

Needleworks

Bring your needlework and join us for a day of friendship and handcrafts Tuesdays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Services**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.

Hearing Screening

Zounds Hearing of North Texas will offer free hearing screenings and check hearing aids the first Friday of each month from 9-10 a.m. Call 972-744-7800 for appointment.

Chair Massage

Lavona Kirtley, our chair massage therapist, offers chair massage on Tuesday mornings. Call 972-744-7800 to make your 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 \$50 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.

City of Richardson Transportation Service

Transportation is offered to Richardson residents ages 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.

The Seniors' Net

The NETWORK of Community Ministries Seniors' Net program provides a variety of services designed to help seniors in the community remain independent and in their own homes for as long as possible. Programs include: handyman program, senior informational seminars, loaves of love, home delivered groceries, medical equipment and holiday baskets. The "Loaves of Love" program has expanded! Seniors residing within the Richardson ISD may shop for free loaves of bread at the NETWORK offices located at 741 S. Sherman St. in Richardson. The program is open Thursdays and Fridays from 9-11 a.m. For more information call Rosemary Conoley at 972-234-8880 ext. 125.

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.

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 is held the first Thursday of the month from 10-11 a.m. The next meeting is Sept. 3.

RSVP Volunteer Program

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 nonprofits throughout

Dallas County 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 Shannon McElvany-Ballard at 214-525-6167.

Blood Pressure Checks

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

Fitness**Pilates Class****Classes will resume Sept. 7**

Learn the basics of mat Pilates from certified instructor Julie Miller. Classes meet every Monday from 10-11 a.m. and are 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. Class fee is \$5 per class.

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. Fee is \$5.

NEW! Silver Kickers

This fun and energizing class is geared toward older adults. A combination of kick/punching drills and exercises, utilizing a variety of provided equipment, simultaneously provide an effective cardio workout. Classes are held Wednesdays at 9 a.m. \$5 per class. Classes will start Sept. 2.

Pickle Ball

The Richardson Senior Center Pickle Ball instruction and play is offered every Friday at Huffhines Recreation Center, 200 N. Plano Rd., 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Fee is \$20 a month (refunds not available) plus membership or \$6 per lesson plus membership. (Richardson resident SENIOR CENTER only membership cost is a one-time fee of \$5. Non-resident SENIOR CENTER only membership is \$15 a year.) Instructor is David Wilmot. Pickle Ball is one of the fastest growing sports among seniors. If you are interested and would like more information call 972-744-7800.

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. Please call 972-744-7800 for class information.

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.

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.

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 a month 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 of the month from 1-2 p.m. and the first Wednesday from 10-11 a.m. for four weeks. Fee is \$20 for four weeks or \$7 per class. Cooper Institute certified personal trainer Elaine Hosage is the instructor.

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. Class is Wednesday from 10-11 a.m. Fee is \$4 per class. Please call 972-744-7800 to confirm start date.

Aerobic Exercise

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

Fall WaterAerobic Classes

Popular instructor Laurie Wilder begins fall WaterAerobic instruction Sept. 2. 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.

Special Events**Flu Shot Clinic**

Sept. 23, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. and Sept. 24, 1-6 p.m. Please call 972-744-7800 to secure your day and time.

National Night Out Oct. 5—Noon—No Fee

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. Come for fun and information on how to help fight crime where you live.

Out to Lunch

Our next out to lunch will be to Olive Garden Sept. 15. Cost is \$1 for van trip. Van will leave the Senior Center at 10:45 a.m. Please call 972-744-7800 to save your spot.

What's New in Fort Worth with Rose-Mary Rumbley Sept.30—\$84

Travel with the delightful Rose-Mary Rumbley to Fort Worth for the sites that are brand new to all of us, or old sites made brand new! Lunch is not included but lots of places to choose from at The Stockyards. For more information please call the Senior Center at 972-744-7810.

Games**Canasta**

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

Pinocle

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, Rummie-Cubes, Dominos and "42" are played by our patrons.

Senior Holiday Bazaar

Our annual Senior Holiday Bazaar will be held Friday and Saturday, Nov. 13 and 14, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Richardson Senior Center. Registration is now open for residents and non-residents. If you are 55 or older 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 will have priority. All items must be handmade by the crafter. 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

Library

900 Civic Center Dr.

www.richardsonpubliclibrary.com

972-744-4350



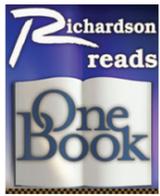
Make Artist Trading Cards using playing cards

Saturday, Sept. 5
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.



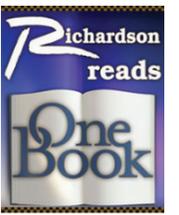
Basement Program Room
Call 972-744-4393 to register.

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Lecture and Book Signing by Laura McBride

We Are Called to Rise by Laura McBride is the 2015 pick for the 12th annual Richardson Reads One Book program. McBride will speak Sept. 15 at Richardson High School. Book discussion groups across the community are encouraged to add *We Are Called to Rise* to their schedules. Public discussion groups and events are also scheduled for late summer and fall. To check on ticket availability, call the Library at 972-744-4350. For more information on the event, visit the website at <http://onebook.cor.net>.



Richardson High School
Tuesday, Sept. 15, 7:30 p.m.
Doors open at 6:45 p.m.

1250 W. Belt Line Rd.
Richardson, 75080

Interview & Movie Screening at Alamo Drafthouse Cinema



Wednesday, Sept. 9

7-7:45 p.m.

Interview with Bill DiGaetano, COO, Alamo Drafthouse DFW and former Green Beret in Afghanistan

7:45 p.m.
Movie Starts

Presented by:

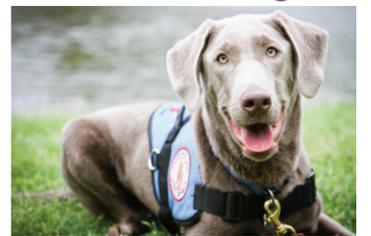


FREE! Reserve seats at www.Drafthouse.com/DFW/Richardson for \$4, receive \$4 food/beverage voucher

For more information, contact Kitty@ArtsIncubatorRichardson.org

Richardson Reads One Book presents:

MADE IN TEXAS Assistance Dogs



Saturday, Sept. 5
3-4:30 p.m.

Basement Program Room
For Adults and Teens in grades 6 and up

Meet the trainers and dogs who provide high-caliber assistance dogs to civilians with post traumatic stress disorder.

Richardson Poets Group FOURTH ANNUAL POETRY READING

Readings by members of the Richardson Poets Group

Leigh Allen Cornelia Blair Ernest Ochoa
Kenneth Bell Joan Canby Ila Sharma
John Wilkinson

Sunday, Sept. 13, 3-5 p.m.

Basement Program Room
Everyone is invited to attend this free program!
Call 972-744-4376 for more information.



Allison Venuto will share steps to ensure you get the student in your life organized for school. A native Texan and graduate of Baylor University (BS in Education) and Southern Methodist University (MA in Conflict Resolution), Allison has always been fascinated by systems organizing and process improvement.

Saturday, Sept. 12, 2-3 p.m.

Basement Program Room
For information, call 972-744-4376

TALK LIKE A PIRATE DAY



Ahoy thar mateys! 'Tis th' day to wear an eyepatch and hear Sam Nash, PIRATE EXPERT, utter fascinatin' pirate facts AND learn to talk like a pirate!

Saturday, Sept. 19
11 a.m.-noon
Basement Program Room



Kylie Jean Jamboree!

Wednesday, Sept. 9
4-5:30 p.m.

Meet Kylie Jean's creator, Marci Peschke!

Create Cool Crafts!

Basement Program Room

For more information, call 972-744-4358.

Fall BabySteps

A 6-week program for Richardson residents to assist parents in preparing their pre-walkers for reading readiness by introducing them to books, stories, rhymes, fingerplay, music and other early literacy tools.

Required registration begins Tuesday, Sept. 8. (Children must be 6 weeks to 12 months old.) *BabySteps* begins Monday, Sept. 21 and ends Friday, Oct. 30.

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.



A 6-week program for Richardson residents 12-36 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.

Please choose ONE of the following times:

Mon 10:15-10:45 a.m. Group AM1
Mon 11-11:30 a.m. Group AM2
Tue 6-6:30 p.m. Group PM
Thu 10:15-10:45 a.m. Group AM3
Thu 11-11:30 a.m. Group AM4

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 Wiggle Worms



A 6-week program for Richardson residents, ages 3-6, filled with stories, poems, puppets, songs and fingerplays.

Required registration begins Tuesday, Sept. 8. (Children must be 3 years old by Sept. 1, 2015.) Children attend *Storytime* independently. *Storytime* begins Tuesday, Sept. 22 and ends Wednesday, Oct. 28.

3-6 Year Old Fall Storytime

Please choose ONE of the following times:
Tues 6:45-7:15 p.m. Group ST1
Wed 10:15-10:45 a.m. Group ST2
Wed 3:30-4 p.m. Group ST3

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.



"Box of Bricks" Challenge!

What can you build with a box of LEGOs? Join us and let your imagination soar!

*Saturday, Oct. 3
1:30-2:30 p.m.
OR
3-4 p.m.
OR
4:30-5:30 p.m.

Basement Program Room
For ages 6-10 only.
LEGOs provided.

* Tickets required. Tickets available Saturday, Oct. 3 at 10 a.m. in the Youth Services Department. For more information, call 972-744-4358.

BAM! POW!



Saturday, Sept. 26
3-5 p.m.

Ages 5-12
Basement Program Room

Take the Batman trivia challenge—test your Batman knowledge! Make Batman crafts! Play Batman games! Picture yourself with the Caped Crusader! Dress as Batman or your favorite superhero if you wish!

