

# RICHARDSON TODAY

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## Donation provides for Animal Shelter surgery suite

The City of Richardson Animal Shelter celebrated the opening of a new surgery suite last month with a ribbon cutting and sign unveiling ceremony. The new addition was made possible thanks to a donation from the McMurrey family to build the new medical/surgery suite at the facility. The McMurrey family is a dedicated, long-time supporter of the Animal Shelter and wanted to provide resources to better serve the needs of the animals and the community. The family has asked for the amount of the donation not to be disclosed.

"We are very happy that we were able to make this project possible and feel very proud of the difference it will make," said a spokesperson for the family. "We are building a legacy for the family and we are pleased to have this opportunity to share our love of family pets with other animal lovers, and our hope is that this encour-

ages others in the community to consider making donations to the Animal Shelter."

The new suite will greatly enhance the Shelter's ability to spay and neuter Shelter pets to help make them more adoptable, as well as address overpopulation concerns. It will also provide veterinarians and support staff the opportunity to perform other medical procedures to improve the health of the Shelter's animals, increasing their chances for adoption.

"We are in the business of finding pets a forever home and the McMurreys' generosity and true sense of altruism will make a difference not just here but for an immeasurable number of people and families," said Director of Health Bill Alsop. "This donation will help ensure that we can provide adoptive families with the healthiest and best family additions that we can."

The Richardson Animal Shelter is one of the top animal care facilities in North Texas and has been the recipient of the Texas Animal Control Association's Humane Educator Award six times—most recently in 2013.

"It's going to be a wonderful, invaluable addition to the Shelter,"

said Dennis Wooten, Assistant Director of Health-Animal Services. "With this generous donation, we'll be able to expand our facility's services and take advantage of advanced equipment that will allow us to work with greater efficiency and improve our level of care of our adoptable pets."



## Work begins on Santa's Village "Hometown Thursdays" will be offered again



The City of Richardson's Parks and Recreation Department is preparing for the arrival of Santa Claus and his helpers and work crews have begun to install his home away from home for his annual visit.

Santa's Village, the miniature holiday town composed of 16 dwellings, begins taking shape next to Richardson City Hall each year during the last week of October. It takes about two weeks to construct all of the buildings and another few weeks to spruce them up and decorate before visitors start arriving in early December.

## Hometown Thursdays

Again this year, Santa's Village will offer a special resident's night, dubbed "Hometown Thursdays." Richardson residents wishing to attend "Hometown Thursdays" on Dec. 10 or 17 will be able to receive up to eight free tickets that will be available at City Hall and

the Heights and Huffhines recreation centers beginning Nov. 30.

Residents must bring documentation (a water bill or driver's license) to show proof of residency. Tickets are only available while supplies last.

Santa's Village will remain free and open to all visitors on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights from Dec. 5-6, 11-13 and 18-20.

### Santa's Village Operating Hours

Dec. 5-6	6-9 p.m.
Dec. 10-13 (Dec. 10 is "Hometown Thursday")	6-9 p.m.
Dec. 17-20 (Dec. 17 is "Hometown Thursday")	6-9 p.m.

## City's winter watering schedule begins Nov. 1

Beginning Nov. 1, residents may water their yards at any time on their designated watering days to avoid watering during times when temperatures may drop below freezing.

Daytime watering is part of the City's winter watering schedule, and helps to avoid issues where water may run off onto streets and sidewalks and freeze, potentially causing dangerous conditions for both pedestrians and drivers. Even if it is your water day, residents are encouraged to refrain from watering when temperatures may drop below freezing during the day.

The twice per week winter watering schedule is part of Rich-

ardson's "New Normal," water conservation plan that went into effect May 1. It allows for irrigation at even addresses on Tuesdays and Saturdays and at odd addresses on Wednesdays and Sundays throughout the year. The plan prohibits watering in the spring and summer from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. because watering during those times is less efficient due to increased evaporation.

Visit [www.watermyyard.org](http://www.watermyyard.org) for ground moisture information, customized weekly watering recommendations and information on the best times to water your yard.

## Lawn Watering Schedule

Twice per week

Seasonal watering schedule effective until further notice. Watering allowed anytime on designated day. Please water only as needed, based on moisture content of the soil.

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Water days for odd numbered addresses (ending in 1, 3, 5, 7, 9)

Water days for even numbered addresses (ending in 2, 4, 6, 8, 0)

[www.cor.net/WaterConservation](http://www.cor.net/WaterConservation)—972-744-4220

## State Constitutional amendment election, City Charter and bond election are Nov. 3

Richardson residents in Dallas and Collin counties will vote for seven Texas Constitutional amendments, four city bond propositions and 83 Charter propositions in an election held Tuesday, Nov. 3. A sample ballot and Dallas County voting day polling locations may be found on the Dallas County Elections website at [www.dallascountytvotes.org](http://www.dallascountytvotes.org). Collin County polling locations and a sample ballot may

be found on the Collin County Elections Department website at [www.co.collin.tx.us/elections](http://www.co.collin.tx.us/elections).

For more information, contact the Dallas County Elections Department at 214-819-6389 or the Collin County Elections Department at 972-547-1990.

For more information, contact the Richardson City Secretary's Office at 972-744-4290 or visit [www.cor.net/elections](http://www.cor.net/elections).



### La Elección de Modificación Constitucional Estatal, Modificación a la Carta Orgánica y Elección de Bonos son el 3 de Nov.

Los residentes de Richardson en los condados de Dallas y Collin votarán por siete enmiendas a la Constitución de Texas, cuatro propuestas de bonos para la ciudad y 83 propuestas de modificación a la Carta Orgánica en una elección que se celebrará el Martes, 3 de Nov. Para obtener una muestra de la boleta y los lugares de votación en el Condado de Dallas, visite el

portal de Elecciones del Condado de Dallas ingresando a [www.dallascountytvotes.org](http://www.dallascountytvotes.org). Para obtener los lugares de votación en el Condado de Collin y una muestra de la boleta, visite el portal del Departamento de Elecciones del Condado de Collin ingresando a [www.co.collin.tx.us/elections](http://www.co.collin.tx.us/elections).

Para mayor información, comuníquese con el Departamento

de Elecciones del Condado de Dallas llamando al 214-819-6389 o al Departamento de Elecciones del Condado de Collin llamando al 972-547-1900.

Para mayor información, comuníquese con la Oficina del Secretario de la Ciudad de Richardson llamando al 972-744-4290 o visite [www.cor.net/elections](http://www.cor.net/elections).

## Holiday schedule, recycle makeup days

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, there will be **NO** recycling, solid waste pick up or special pick up Thursday and Friday, Nov. 26-27. There will be no makeup days for solid waste and special pick up. The table below shows the **recycle** makeup days.



Recycle collection days affected by holiday	Makeup day
Thursday, Nov. 26	Wednesday, Nov. 25
Friday, Nov. 27	Saturday, Nov. 28

## City facilities close for Thanksgiving

Facility	Closing dates/times
City Hall/Civic Center, Municipal Court, Gymnastics Center	Closed Nov. 26-27
Richardson Public Library	Closes 5 p.m. Nov. 25 Closed Nov. 26-27 Reopens Saturday, Nov. 28 at 10 a.m.
Richardson Animal Shelter	Closed Nov. 26-27 Reopens Saturday, Nov. 28
Recreation Centers, Tennis Center, and Senior Center	Closed Nov. 26 Reopens Friday, Nov. 27
Sherrill Park Golf Course	Open Nov. 26

### 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 CTV videos on YouTube. Visit [www.cor.net/SocialMedia](http://www.cor.net/SocialMedia) for a full listing.



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### Receive City news updates by e-mail

Sign up to receive the City's "Week In Review" e-mail, which is sent each Friday, as well as to receive important notifications concerning City events, projects, services and information about weather-related activities and the West Nile virus. Visit [www.cor.net/ENews](http://www.cor.net/ENews), and select the options you would like to subscribe to.



## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

If you're like me, pets play an important role in your life. My family's rescued dog, Sunshine, a Shih Tzu, brings us a lot of happiness and joy, and was just as happy as we were when the Bush Central Barkway opened earlier this year.

Located underneath the President George Bush Turnpike near US 75, the dog park is the first of its kind in Richardson. With separate areas for small, large and sedentary dogs, the park allows dogs of all sizes to run, jump and socialize in a safe, friendly environment.

The dog park has been a huge success since opening in August, but it is not the only animal-related item I am excited about in Richardson. I was happy to join the McMurrey family last month to cut the ribbon for the newest addition at our Animal Shelter, a surgical suite that will make it easier for veterinarians to spay and neuter animals and control the pet population in Richardson.

Our Animal Shelter is one of the most well run in the region, having been the recipient of the Texas Animal Control Association's Humane Educator Award six times, most recently in 2013. In addition to serving as a great place for people to adopt dogs and cats, the Shelter helps educate people on topics such as pet safety and the do's and don'ts of owning a pet.

Finally, for those dog owners who want to get outdoors, relax and see the sites with man's best friend, Richardson has an extensive trail network that can safely get you and your pooch around the



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city. The Central Trail runs along US 75 from the Spring Creek Nature Area in the north to Spring Valley Road in the south, allowing residents and their dogs to see the sights and sounds of downtown Richardson, Galatyn Park and Eastside. Trails also span many of the city's parks, including Breckinridge, totaling 40 miles that are just waiting to be explored.

I think Richardson is a great place to be for pet owners. Hopefully, Sunshine and I will see you at the dog park sometime!

Sincerely,

Paul Voelker  
Mayor



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Richardson, TX 75080

972-744-4203  
[www.cor.net/council](http://www.cor.net/council)

### 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](http://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](http://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](mailto:ADACoordinator@cor.gov)

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

# FEED PLAY LOVE



The decision to adopt a pet from a shelter is a wonderful way to provide a forever home for a dog or cat that needs one. It's a decision that should not be made lightly or quickly. Take a look at some of the suggestions below to help you find the right forever friend.

## THINGS TO CONSIDER BEFORE YOU ADOPT A PET:

- The breed and size of the pet and how the pet will fit into the size of your home.
- The expense of owning a pet. Who'll look after your pet while you're on vacation?
- The time you have for a pet. Will you have time to walk the pet?
- Children and other pets in the home. Is anyone allergic to pet hair?



## WHEN YOU VISIT THE RICHARDSON ANIMAL SHELTER:

- Bring your current pet for an interaction with the future pet.
- Take your possible pet for a walk outside the Shelter. Get to know each other.
- Most of the adoptable pets from the Shelter have already been sterilized and have received the required vaccinations. If you choose a pet that has not received these services you must sign a contract agreeing to have the pet vaccinated against rabies and sterilized and must provide written verification to Animal Services before the contract due date.



## RULES FOR RICHARDSON PET OWNERS:

- Dogs must be behind a fence, on a leash or in a building at all times.
- Cats must remain on their owner's property at all times.
- All dogs and cats must be registered with the City Health Department.
- A current rabies vaccination certificate is required for registration.



## WHEN YOU BRING YOUR PET HOME:

- Your pet might be frightened by new people and even by a new home, be kind.
- Give your pet a quiet space to escape to, such as an indoor crate or a dog house outside.
- Shelter animals are sometimes not used to going out for walks. Go on frequent walks and be patient while they adapt.
- A shelter dog might bark or howl more than usual when you leave. Make sure there is something for your pet to do while you are out.
- The pet may chew your things. Buy toys and encourage your pet to play with them.
- Be responsible when deciding to adopt a shelter animal and be patient.



## DID YOU KNOW?

The #1 issue the Richardson Animal Shelter deals with is the lack of an ID on animals when they are found and brought to the Shelter. Always make sure your pets have an ID tag and be sure to update your information if it changes. The Richardson Animal Shelter offers microchipping for \$15 and is a great way to find a lost pet. But it does no good if the information is not current.

**RICHARDSON ANIMAL SHELTER**  
 1330 Columbia Dr., Richardson 75081  
 972-744-4480

**HOURS:**  
 Mon.-Fri.: 8 a.m.-7 p.m.  
 Sat.: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.  
 Sun.: 1 p.m.-5 p.m.

www.cor.net/AnimalShelter  
 Facebook: Richardson Animal Shelter

## Shelter has online adoptable pets, live camera

For a city known for its technology-related industries and education, it's only fitting that Richardson is a leader in city services technology as well, and the Animal Services division is no exception. With a live web cam set up at the Richardson Animal Shelter an online, interactive lost and found page and an adoptable animals page, it's been a leader among animal shelters in helping animals get adopted through technology.

"I've always been an animal lover," said Ed Snively, Web Manager for the City's Information Technology Department, who spearheaded the effort to combine Animal Services with online technology more than five years ago. Snively did what he could with the budget that he was given—first setting up the lost and found page and adoptable animals pages, then adding a single-view live cam. As technology improved, so did the Shelter's online presence.



Animals up for adoption are seen on the adoptable animals pages. When possible, photos are posted of each animal, and information such as the animal's breed, known or estimated birthdate, and the date the animal arrived at the Shelter.

Snively was inspired to install the live animal cam after seeing several popular animal cams on the Internet, such as one that showed a live image of an eagle's nest.

"I thought, 'why not put one up at the Shelter?'" said Snively. "Anything to help animals get adopted."

The Shelter's live animal cam was recently upgraded and now has several "views" for online users to click. It is set up in a large playroom that currently houses cats and kittens.

Go to [www.cor.net/sheltercam](http://www.cor.net/sheltercam) and [www.cor.net/animalshelter](http://www.cor.net/animalshelter).

## Don't forget to register your pets

The City of Richardson currently requires all dogs and cats to be vaccinated against rabies and registered with the Health Department each year. This registration tag could save your pets life. According to the Humane Society of the United States, animals found with identification tags are 90 percent more likely to be reunited with their owners than those not wearing tags. This simple pet registration tag allows the Shelter staff to identify the pet owner, the pet and sometimes most importantly your veterinarian. This is especially helpful if a pet is found injured and needs immediate medical care.

Registration fees are \$5 per year for sterilized pets and \$10 per year for unsterilized pets. Registration for pets owned by senior citizens (65 and older) is free.

Registrations can be purchased at the Health Department office (411 W. Arapaho, Room 107) at the Animal Shelter (1330 Colum-



bia Dr.), online at [www.cor.net/animalshelter](http://www.cor.net/animalshelter), by mail or by appointment at your home. If you have any questions, please contact the Shelter staff at 972-744-4480.

### Free ID tags and collars

The Richardson Animal Shelter is now placing collars and ID tags on all adoptable pets. The collar and tag will be free with adoption, but anyone can purchase collars, leashes and tags at the Shelter.

## Volunteers at Shelter give and also get back

Volunteering at the City of Richardson Animal Shelter is a win-win for all involved. Volunteers not only contribute valuable services to the Shelter and its animals, but the Shelter gives back as well, in many ways.

"Some volunteers who aren't able to have pets of their own for various reasons are thrilled to interact with the animals on a regular basis," said Noura Jammal, Special Projects and Events Supervisor at Animal Services. "Then there are some volunteers who are grieving deceased pets and find great comfort being here ... it's hard to be sad when those dogs are so happy to see you, and you know your hugs and attention are helping make their stay at the Shelter a little less scary ... the affection of an animal can do amazing things."

She said people who are thinking about adopting a pet can find the perfect one through volunteering. "By walking our adoptable dogs or grooming the cats, you get to know the animal's temperament, and can also see how they act around other animals."

In addition to walking and grooming, volunteers may choose other activities including feeding dogs and cats, cleaning cages, cleaning the courtyard, cleaning and disinfecting pet carriers, washing and sanitizing food bowls, and picking up paper around the Shelter. All volunteer activities are supervised by full-time Shelter staff.

"Everything our volunteers do helps our goal of having happy, healthy, social animals in a clean, presentable environment, all factors in helping increase the adoptability of each animal," Jammal said.



Currently, the Shelter has 20-30 regular volunteers but can always use more. To become a Richardson Animal Shelter volunteer, applicants must be at least 15 years of age and complete a free one-hour orientation class before they may begin volunteering. Classes are held on the first and third Wednesday of each month beginning at 4:30 p.m. Registration is required; call the Shelter at 972-744-4480 to sign up. For more information and to print out required volunteer forms, go to [www.cor.net/sheltervolunteers](http://www.cor.net/sheltervolunteers).

## Truck wraps help Animal Shelter share messages



The City of Richardson has a large fleet of vehicles, most of which are white with the city logo painted in blue on the doors. However, at the Richardson Animal Shelter, things are a bit more colorful.

Last year, the trucks used to transport animals were given a makeover and now feature images of dogs and cats, as well as the message to spay and neuter your pets. The trucks, which are fully air conditioned in order to keep the pets safe and cool during the

hot summer months, serve as rolling billboards for the City's Animal Services Department.

"We want people to see our trucks and realize we are more than just dog catchers like you see in movies," said Noura Jammal, Special Projects and Events Supervisor at Animal Services. "We are not out there trying to pick up pets and take them to the pound; we are a shelter staffed by pet lovers who want to help stray, orphaned and injured animals have a better life."

## Facebook lets Shelter share information, stories

Anyone who spends much time on social media knows that photos of cute kittens are everywhere. It seems people can't get enough of the cute and cuddly little balls of fur.

One of the best places to find these photos is the Richardson Animal Shelter's Facebook page, which features not only photos and videos of cats and kittens, but also photos of happy animals that have found a loving family to take them home.

From cats that look like Yoda to kittens who like to sleep in their water bowl, the Shelter's Facebook page has it all.

"It seems that everyone is on social media these days," said Noura Jammal, Special Projects and Events Supervisor at Animal Services. "Our page really helps with our public outreach. With social media we are able to reach out to people who may have never heard of us, which hopefully leads to them adopting or fostering an animal or volunteering their time at the Shelter. The more people who look at and share our pictures, the more people we are able to reach."

Of course the page is not just filled with cute kittens. Jammal also posts helpful information such as ways to keep pets safe on Halloween—just say no to chocolate—and things first-time pet owners need to know before they bring home their new dog or cat. The page also features information on the Animal Shelter's pet of the week and other animals available for adoption.

"Some of our most popular posts are of people who have just adopted a dog or a cat," Jammal said. "They usually want their photo shared so they will always have a picture of the day they adopted their new family member."

In the five years the page has been active the Shelter has been liked by more than 3,700 people. To view the page, visit [www.facebook.com/richardsonanimalshelter](http://www.facebook.com/richardsonanimalshelter).



## Shelter offers online lost and found pet page

Traditionally, when people lose a pet they post signs around their neighborhood with Fluffy or Fido's picture on it. However, Richardson Animal Services has a slightly more high-tech way of reuniting lost pets with their loving owners.

For the past few years, Animal Services has hosted an online lost and found pet page on its website. The page uses Google Maps and allows residents to place an icon where their pet went missing. They are also able to include a picture and description of the animal, as well as contact information in case the animal is found. The second part of the page is the "found" section, where residents can enter the same information about pets they have found.

"We've had a few cases where someone posted about their lost pet and got a response within a few hours from someone who found the animal and saw the post on our website," said Noura Jam-

mal, Special Projects and Events Supervisor at Animal Services. "It is also helpful if we find the pet so we have the information needed to get in touch with the owner and return the animal."

Since its inception, a wide variety of animals have shown up on the lost and found website. While dogs and cats make up the majority of the pet entries, lost rabbits, chickens and other birds such as pigeons have also been posted Jammal said, noting that chickens are becoming a more popular pet in Richardson and are showing up at the Animal Shelter more often.

"We feel this is a more effective system than using flyers to recover a pet," Jammal said. "The online lost and found allows people from outside of a neighborhood to find out about lost pets and get in contact with the owner if they are recovered."

Go to [www.cor.net/shelterlostandfound](http://www.cor.net/shelterlostandfound).

## \$238,000 raised for Special Olympics Texas



The 18th annual Richardson Corporate Challenge, a 10-week, athletic and non-athletic competition among area businesses sponsored by the City of Richardson, held its closing ceremony Oct. 16 at the Civic Center and recognized the winning companies in six divisions. The winners were:

- Division A—PepsiCo
- Division AA—Fossil
- Division B—ISN
- Division BB—Texas Capital Bank
- Division C—Kosmos Energy
- Division D—L-3 Mustang Technology

This year, a record 14,000 employees from 57 DFW-area companies participated in the Richardson Corporate Challenge. They raised a record \$238,000 to support Special Olympics Texas, the event's beneficiary. Since its creation, Corporate Challenge has raised more than \$1.8 million in its 18-year history.

Registration for the 2016 Richardson Corporate Challenge is now open to companies of all sizes in the DFW area. For more information, visit [www.cor.net/cc](http://www.cor.net/cc).

## City's 43rd annual Christmas Parade presents "Christmas in Toyland" Dec. 5

Mark your calendars for Saturday morning Dec. 5, for the 43rd Annual Richardson Christmas Parade produced by the City of Richardson, benefitting the NETWORK of Community Ministries. The theme for this year's parade is "Christmas in Toyland." Individuals and groups are encouraged to represent this theme in their costumes and floats. The parade will begin at 9 a.m. and will travel north from Cherrywood Drive along Coit Road to J.J. Pearce High School. Groups of all ages and interests are encouraged to participate in this festive tradition! Registration forms may be downloaded online beginning Nov. 1 by going to [www.cor.net/Christmas-Parade](http://www.cor.net/Christmas-Parade). Deadline for registration is Nov. 29.



The Grand Marshals for this year's parade will be Ray and Cynthia Noah. The Noahs are longtime Richardson residents having moved to the city in 1962. Ray was first elected to the Richardson City Council in 1966 and served as Mayor from 1968 to 1983. He was appointed by the Richardson City Council to represent Richardson on the DART Board of Directors in 1984, where he also represented the towns of Addison, Highland Park and University Park. Ray was appointed as the City of Richardson Presiding Municipal Judge in 1994. Cyn-

thia Noah has played an active role in the community as well. She has served as president of the Prairie Creek North Garden Club, president of the YWCA in Richardson and as a Republican Precinct Chair. She is a member of the Richardson Women's Club, the Service League and is active with the Richardson Symphony Orchestra. She has also been involved with the Richardson Adult Literacy Center, the Hospital Foundation and Friends of the Library.

### Be a "Friend of the Parade"

Would you like to become a "Friend of the Parade?" For a \$50 tax deductible donation (checks payable to: NETWORK of Community Ministries) you and three guests will receive preferable park-

ing, bleacher seating and will be served hot beverages and refreshments. Please send your check to: Allison Hayes, Heights Recreation Center, 711 W. Arapaho Rd., Richardson, TX 75080.

For information regarding the parade, please contact Parade Chairperson, Barbara Cottone, at [Barbara.cottone@cor.gov](mailto:Barbara.cottone@cor.gov) or Allison Hayes at 972-744-7853 or [Allison.hayes@cor.gov](mailto:Allison.hayes@cor.gov).

Come on out to the parade Dec. 5, whether you are on a float, in a marching group or a spectator. The parade award ceremony will be held the same evening at 5 p.m. (at the City Hall plaza) just prior to the City's Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony and the opening of Santa's Village.

## "Friend" group allows animal lovers to support dog park



If you enjoy taking your dog to Bush Central Barkway, the City's new dog park, or if you simply like contributing to animal-related causes, you might want to consider becoming a Friend of the Dog Park. The designation is given to those who donate any amount financially toward helping the City purchase priority items for the park and add essential elements not covered in the City budget. Established in June of this year by the City's Parks and Recreation Department, the "Friends Fund" has already enabled the purchase of five Mutt Mitt dispensers (waste bag stands) which were installed throughout the park, and a limestone bench.

Parks and Recreation Director Lori Smeby said the bench was dedicated to the memory of a Friend's beloved pet and that additional stone benches are being considered, "especially in the large dog paddocks."

"We are being thoughtful about how donated funds are spent," she said. "We want to ensure that what

we add to the park on behalf of the Friends are items that are a true need or want for the park."

One item on the wish list for the dog park that may take awhile to materialize is a custom designed information kiosk made of limestone, steel and Plexiglas that will enable pet and civic-related information to be displayed to the public and enable the City to communicate with Barkway patrons. The price tag? \$16,000.

"We would need a major donor to sponsor that," Smeby said. "However, we can certainly consider other options if a sponsor comes forward with an interest."

So far, 45 donors have become Friends with donations totaling almost \$5,000.

Perks are available for those who donate at least \$50. "Best of Breed" supporters (\$50 and up) receive a Barkway window decal. "Best in Show" supporters (\$100 or more) also receive an exclusive "Friend of the Dog Park" T-shirt. For more information, go to [www.cor.net/dogpark](http://www.cor.net/dogpark).

## Partnership with pet store benefits Animal Shelter

Animal shelters throughout the area struggle with finding homes for the animals that come through their doors. While annual events such as Clear the Shelter Day make a big difference in the adoptable pet population, shelters need help year-round connecting with potential pet parents.

This year, the Richardson Animal Shelter has begun a new partnership with PetSmart Charities that staff members believe will help them get their adoptable pets in front of more people. One day a month, pets from the Richardson Animal Shelter are given more exposure when they are taken to local PetSmart stores and offered for adoption.

"This will give people who have never been to our Shelter a chance to see our animals," said Noura Jammal, Special Projects and Events Supervisor at Animal Services. "Even if they don't adopt one of the animals we take to PetSmart, they will hopefully remember us in the future when they are ready to adopt a cat or a dog."

While dogs are only brought to the store once a month, cats from the Shelter are available more often, Jammal said. Each PetSmart store has a Cat Condo, a special area home to adoptable cats. The city receives \$10 for each of its cats that is adopted from the Cat Condo.

"They reach out to rescue groups and once you partner with them you can showcase your adoptable cats in the Cat Condo," Jammal said. "This is a big help for us because we usually have more cats than dogs available for adoption, and we sometimes run out of space here at the Shelter."

If you can't get to PetSmart to adopt a new member of the family, the Animal Shelter offers animals for adoption seven days a week, allowing potential adopters to find the perfect pet for their home.

The Richardson Animal Shelter is located at 1330 Columbia Dr. For more information, visit [www.cor.net/animalshelter](http://www.cor.net/animalshelter) or call 972-744-4480.



## EDGE Awards to recognize local businesses

Several local businesses will be recognized for their impact on the Richardson community at this year's Richardson EDGE awards luncheon. This annual event will be held Thursday, Nov. 12 at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Dallas-Richardson, from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and the public is invited to attend.

EDGE is the economic development growth and expansion initiative of the Richardson Economic Development Partnership (REDP). Each year, REDP, the Richardson Chamber of Commerce and the Richardson Rotary Clubs recognize Richardson individuals, companies and organizations that have achieved extraordinary success and/or made a significant investment in Richardson. Register to attend the luncheon at [www.richardsonchamber.com](http://www.richardsonchamber.com).

### This year's recipients

#### Commercial Real Estate Project Award

UT Dallas Northside  
Balfour Beatty Campus Solutions  
and Wynne/Jackson

#### Community Involvement Award

Richardson Tom Thumb Stores

#### Entrepreneurship Award

Mitel (formerly Mavenir)

#### Environmental Award

Metropak, the Bag Source

#### International Business Award

Amdocs

#### Newcomer Business Award

Richardson Mercantile/The Weitzman Group

#### Public/Non-Profit/Educational Award

Richland College

#### Redevelopment Award

TNT Dental

#### Richardson Loyalty Award

Service King, Inc.

# Calendar

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

### EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

### TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES

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

**Nov. 11**

**VETERANS DAY TRIBUTE** 1-2 p.m. Join us in honoring all those who fought for our freedom and the way of life we enjoy today. We will host a reception of cake, coffee, music and a time to visit. The Presentation of Colors will be made by American Legion Post 321.

**Nov. 13-14**

**HOLIDAY BAZAAR** 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Our annual Senior Holiday Bazaar will be held Friday and Saturday Nov. 13-14. Mark your calendars to find that special holiday gift at the bazaar.

**Nov. 16**

**CARTER EYE VAN** 10 a.m.-1 p.m. The Carter Eye Van will be offering free eye screenings in their van parked on the North parking lot at the Senior Center. No appointments required. No fee.

**Nov. 24**

**THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON** Noon. Join us for a turkey dinner with all the fixin's at the Richardson Civic Center, 411 W. Arapaho Rd. Dave Tanner will entertain us with his music and another of his special programs. Tickets on sale at the Senior Center or by phone with a credit card. Cost: \$8.50

**Dec. 3-5**

**Christmas in the Hill Country**

Taking deposits now for a three-day tour into the Hill Country. You will be immersed in the colorful German and Norwegian holiday traditions in Johnson City, Fredericksburg and Bosque County. Seasonal foods, arts and crafts, holiday decorations, and shopping will give you a peek into their European holiday celebration. Cost of the trip is \$651 for a double, \$797 for a single. \$100 deposit required.

## Library 900 Civic Center Dr. • 972-744-4350

### ADULT/GENERAL INTEREST

<p><b>Nov. 4</b> <b>FIRST WEDNESDAY BOOK CLUB</b> 7-8:45 p.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "Don't Stop the Carnival" by Herman Wouk. Call Tamara Golubski at 972-744-4393 for information.</p>	<p><b>Nov. 6</b> <b>JOB SEARCHING ON THE INTERNET</b> 10-11:30 a.m. Basement Training Room. Richardson Library Card needed to register. Call 972-744-4359 for information.</p>	<p><b>Nov. 7</b> <b>DEWEY KNIT? KNITTING GROUP FOR ADULTS</b> 2-4 p.m. First Floor Program Room. Call Jane Nearing at 972-744-4355 for information.</p>	<p><b>Nov. 11</b> <b>SECOND WEDNESDAY BOOKBABLE</b> 10:30-11:45 a.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "One Summer: America 1927" by Bill Bryson. Call Janet Vance at 972-744-4352 for information.</p>
<p><b>Nov. 12</b> <b>JERRY BARLOW: CELTIC FINGERSTYLE GUITARIST AND STORYTELLER</b> 6:30-8 p.m. Basement Program Room. All ages welcome.</p>	<p><b>Nov. 13</b> <b>COMPUTER CLASS: INTERNET 101</b> 10 a.m.-noon Basement Training Room. Richardson Library Card needed to register. Call 972-744-4359 for information.</p>	<p><b>Nov. 16</b> <b>WRITERS' GUILD OF TEXAS</b> 7-8:30 p.m. Basement Program Room. Call Vrena Patrick at 972-744-4376 for information.</p>	<p><b>Nov. 17</b> <b>RCAS MEETING AND FREE DEMONSTRATION</b> 6:30-8:45 p.m. Basement Program Room. Janice Hamilton—pastels. Call Ludmila Pospelova at 972-744-4350 for information.</p>
<p><b>Nov. 17</b> <b>FOURTH TUESDAY BOOKBABLE</b> 7:30-8:45 p.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "The Husband's Secret" by Liane Moriarty. Call Janet Vance at 972-744-4352 for information.</p>	<p><b>Nov. 18</b> <b>THIRD WEDNESDAY BOOKBABLE</b> 10:30-11:45 a.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "The Book of Unknown Americans" by Cristina Henriquez. Call Tamara Golubski at 972-744-4393 for information.</p>	<p><b>Nov. 18</b> <b>COMMUNITY WRITERS' CRITIQUE GROUP</b> 7-8:45 p.m. Basement Program Room. E-mail WGTCritiqueGroup@gmail.com for information.</p>	<p><b>Nov. 19</b> <b>RICHARDSON HISTORICAL &amp; GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY</b> "Great Awakening: The Evangelical Movement in Colonial America 1700-1775" presented by Sherry Calvert. Basement Program Room. 1:30-3 p.m.</p>
<p><b>Nov. 19</b> <b>REAL READS BOOK CLUB</b> 7:30-8:30 p.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "Midnight in Peking" by Paul French. Call Tamara Golubski at 972-744-4393 for information.</p>	<p><b>Nov. 21</b> <b>C-TECH 3D PRINTING AND TINKERCAD</b> 2-4 p.m. Basement Training Room. Laptop required. Call Vrena Patrick at 972-744-4376 for registration information.</p>	<p><b>Nov. 25-27</b> <b>THANKSGIVING SCHEDULE</b> The Library will close at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 25, and will be closed all day Nov. 26-27.</p>	

### CHILDREN/YOUTH

Please call 972-744-4358 for more information.

<p><b>Nov. 2, 9, 16, 30</b> <b>FAMILY STORYTIME</b> 6:45-7:15 p.m. Children's Program Room. Everyone is welcome to attend.</p>	<p><b>Nov. 4</b> <b>COOKIES AND COLORING</b> 3:30-5:30 p.m. Basement Program Room. All ages welcome.</p>	<p><b>Nov. 14</b> <b>CRAFTIVITY! CHILDREN'S CRAFTS AND GAMES</b> 3-4:30 p.m. Basement Program Room. Parents and children welcome.</p>
<p><b>Nov. 15</b> <b>TALES FOR TAILS: READ TO LIVE DOGS!</b> 3-4 p.m. Children's Program Room. For readers in grades K-4.</p>	<p><b>Nov. 23</b> <b>STELLAR JEDI NIGHT</b> 5-8 p.m. Basement and First Floor Program Room. All ages welcome.</p>	<p><b>Nov. 25-27</b> <b>THANKSGIVING SCHEDULE</b> The Library will close at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 25, and will be closed all day Nov. 26-27.</p>

### Seniors' Net hosts free monthly seminar

Seniors' Net holds free monthly seminars on topics affecting the aging population. Seminars are 10 a.m.-noon at 741 S. Sherman St.

**Nov. 17**  
**Social Security**

For more information, call 972-234-8880, ext. 118, or visit [www.thenetwork.org](http://www.thenetwork.org).

NETWORK was founded in 1985 and provides health and emergency services to children, low-income families and senior citizens in need within Richardson ISD.

### RWC is "Home for the Holidays"

The Richardson Woman's Club's annual holiday bazaar, Home for the Holidays, takes place Nov. 14-15 at Founders Hall, 2005 N. Cliffe Dr. Admission is free to the event, which will include a Holiday Bazaar featuring a bake shop, gift ideas and many vendors sure to get you in the holiday spirit.

The first day kicks off with a special children's breakfast with Santa. For \$5, children can get their picture professionally taken with St. Nick himself in the gazebo at the Richardson Woman's Club.

A special holiday luncheon will also be held from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. both days. Lunch is \$13, with dessert served for \$3.

This year marks the Club's 60th anniversary, and day two will feature a drawing for a special 60th anniversary pendant commemorating the Club's years of service to Richardson. Designed by Leland's Gold and Diamonds, tickets are on sale now for \$5 each or six for \$25. Ticket holders need not be present at the drawing in order to win.

Each day will end with a Holiday Stroll, which will take guests on a tour of beautiful homes in Richardson.

Visit [www.richardsonwomansclub.com](http://www.richardsonwomansclub.com) for more information.

**Saturday, Nov. 14**

Children's Breakfast with Santa  
9-11 a.m.  
\$5

Holiday Bazaar  
9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Holiday Luncheon  
11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Holiday Stroll  
1-4 p.m.  
\$15

**Sunday, Nov. 15**

Holiday Luncheon  
11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Holiday Bazaar  
11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Drawing for 60th Anniversary Pendant  
3 p.m.  
Tickets are \$5 each or six for \$25

Holiday Stroll  
1-4 p.m.  
\$15



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**Upcoming Civic Center Events**

**Take Me Home Pet Rescue** Nov. 14  
[www.ahomeoftheirown.org](http://www.ahomeoftheirown.org)

**Texas Stamp Dealers** Dec. 4-5  
[www.tsdstamps.com](http://www.tsdstamps.com)

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# Cultural Arts & Community

## Eisemann Center Presents season continues this month

The 2015-16 Eisemann Center Presents season continues this month with five fantastic shows. The November schedule has something for everyone, ranging from comedy to jazz.

Visit [www.eisemanncenter.com](http://www.eisemanncenter.com) for ticket information, or call 972-744-4650. Groups of 10 or more qualify for ticket discounts by calling Group Sales at 972-744-4657.

### The Time Jumpers 8 p.m. Nov. 5 Tickets \$45-\$66



The Time Jumpers

The Time Jumpers featuring Vince Gill, Kenny Sears and Ranger Doug Green are a Western swing ensemble formed in 1998 in Nashville, Tenn. The Time Jumpers began as a garage practice session; the group started playing occasional gigs in the Nashville area until they were offered a regular slot playing at the Station Inn. As word spread along

Music Row that something special was happening at Station Inn, big stars began dropping by, some to sit in with the band, others just to enjoy the vast array of country, swing, jazz and pop standards The Time Jumpers rejoiced in playing. Among the artists who dropped by were Bonnie Raitt, Reba McEntire, Norah Jones, Robert Plant, The White Stripes, Kings Of Leon, Jimmy Buffet and Kelly Clarkson. In 2007, the group recorded a live album entitled "Jumpin' Time" and were nominated for two Grammy Awards. In 2012, the group released a self-titled album and were nominated for two more Grammy Awards.

### A Band Called Honalee 7:30 p.m. Nov. 7 Tickets \$38



A Band Called Honalee

A Band Called Honalee is a modern-day folk trio inspired by

the music and legacy of Peter, Paul and Mary. Musically accomplished, interactive and energetic, their shows allow audiences to experience this timeless music live onstage once again. Their mission is to share this uniquely American music with new audiences, while rekindling the passion of life-long fans.

### An Evening with Molly Ringwald 8 p.m. Nov. 14 Tickets \$33-\$52



Molly Ringwald

Molly Ringwald acts, writes books and sings jazz. She tours with her quartet to venues worldwide. Since her debut album on Concord Records was released,

Ringwald and her band have performed over 160 concerts in seven countries. Presented in partnership with the Alamo Drafthouse Cinema, where she will make a special appearance on Friday, Nov. 13.

### "Room on the Broom" 2:30 p.m. Nov. 15 Tickets \$13-\$23



Room on the Broom

"Room on the Broom" was adapted from the book by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler. The witch and her cat are flying happily on their broomstick until a stormy wind blows away the witch's belongings. A helpful dog, bird and frog find the witch's lost things, and they all hop on the broom

for a ride. But, this broomstick's not meant for five. When a hungry dragon appears, who will save the poor witch? Produced by Tall Stories, "Room on the Broom" features incredible puppets, original songs and a lot of laughs.

### "Tea for Three: Lady Bird, Pat & Betty" 8 p.m. Nov. 19-21 2 p.m. Nov. 21-22 Tickets \$38-\$45



Tea for Three

"Tea for Three: Lady Bird, Pat & Betty" reveals life and love in the White House. Particularly pertinent in an era of heightened politics, Tea for Three humanizes the political scene with a story both whimsical and deeply moving—a behind-the-scenes look at Lady Bird Johnson, Pat Nixon and Betty Ford. Share the journey of each as she deals with the fishbowl of First Ladydom—a tale of a remarkable trio in a most unusual job. The show stars writer and Emmy Award-winning actress Elaine Bromka.

## Eisemann Center

2351 Performance Dr.

For tickets visit [www.eisemanncenter.com](http://www.eisemanncenter.com) or call the Ticket Office at 972-744-4650

**RICHARDSON COMMUNITY BAND PRESENTS "WITH GRATITUDE"**  
(3 p.m. Nov. 1. Free. Visit [www.richardsoncommunityband.org](http://www.richardsoncommunityband.org).)

**HALF PRICE BOOKS PRESENTS "WELCOME TO NIGHT VALE"**  
BY JOSEPH FINK AND JEFFREY CRANOR  
(7 p.m. Nov. 4. \$50. Visit [www.hpb.com](http://www.hpb.com).)

**FELLOWSHIP PERFORMING ARTS PRESENTS C.S. LEWIS' "THE SCREWTAPE LETTERS"**  
(8 p.m. Nov. 6 and 4 p.m. Nov. 7. \$29-\$89. Visit [www.screwtapeonstage.com](http://www.screwtapeonstage.com).)

**RICHARDSON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**  
Clay Couturiaux, music director and conductor, presents "Family Concert 2015." (8 p.m. Nov. 8. \$9. Visit [www.richardsonsymphony.org](http://www.richardsonsymphony.org).)

**STUDIO 3 DANCE PRESENTS "SNOW QUEEN"**  
(2 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Nov. 15. \$15. Visit [www.studio3dance.com](http://www.studio3dance.com).)

**SHAHKAR BINESHPAJOOH CONCERT**  
(8:30 p.m. Nov. 20. \$50-\$125. Visit [www.shahkar.com](http://www.shahkar.com).)

**PLANO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**  
Hector Guzman, conductor, presents "Plano Symphony Showcase" (8 p.m. Nov. 21. Visit [www.planosymphony.org](http://www.planosymphony.org) or call 972-473-7262 for more information.)

**CHAMBERLAIN PERFORMING ARTS' "THE NUTCRACKER"**  
Tiler Peck and Tyler Angle from the New York City Ballet star in this performance. (7 p.m. Nov. 27, 2 p.m. Nov. 28-29. \$15-\$100. Visit [www.chamberlainperformingarts.org](http://www.chamberlainperformingarts.org).)

## HASR to present Volunteer of the Year awards on Nov. 17

The Helping Agencies Serving Richardson Volunteer of the Year Awards luncheon will take place at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 17 at the Richardson Woman's Club, 2005 North Cliffe. The featured speaker will be Kim Caston, president of the Richardson ISD Board of Trustees.

HASR strives to provide a forum for better communication, coordination and cooperation amongst nonprofits serving Richardson. Membership is open to all 501(c)3 organizations serving Richardson or RISD. For more information, visit [www.hasr-richardson.org](http://www.hasr-richardson.org).

## Arts, crafts part of annual Holiday Bazaar

The Senior Center Holiday Bazaar will be held 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Nov. 13-14, at the Senior Center, 820 W. Arapaho Rd.

The popular Senior Holiday Bazaar features handmade arts and crafts of all varieties, including jewelry, quilts, ceramics, paintings, doll clothes, needle works, and many other craft items created by local seniors ages 55 plus.

The Senior Center concession will be offering hot dogs, chili, taco salad and nachos (just to mention a few food items), for all to try. For more information, call 972-744-7800. Admission is free.



The Senior Center's annual holiday bazaar is a popular place to find handmade arts and crafts of all varieties.

## RCT season continues with two new shows

Repertory Company Theatre continues its 2015-16 season with two performances, including a special Thanksgiving weekend performance for those who need a break from turkey and football.

At 8 p.m. Nov. 28, RCT will perform "Lights of Broadway~Duets," followed by a performance of "Meet Me in St. Louis," Dec. 4-13. Both shows are at the Promenade Theatre.

The Broadway duets performance will feature duets from your favorite Broadway shows. Tickets are \$20 and the event is a great way for families to get out of the house and spend time with one another.

"Meet Me in St. Louis" is based on the classic MGM movie musical starring Judy Garland, the

show takes us back to the turn of the century St. Louis, where the streets buzz with trolley cars, and the people buzz with excitement. This nostalgically romantic production captures the exuberance and innocence of the original in an utterly entertaining experience the whole family will enjoy. The production features classical songs including "The Trolley Song" and "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas."

The Promenade Theatre is located at 650 N. Coit Rd., Richardson. Showtimes are 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and 2 p.m. Sundays. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for youth. Group rates are also available. For tickets call 972-690-5029 or visit [www.rcttheatre.com](http://www.rcttheatre.com).



RCT's 2015-16 season also includes performances of "Cotton Patch Gospel," "The Secret Garden," "Will Roger's Follies," "Evita" and "Xanadu."

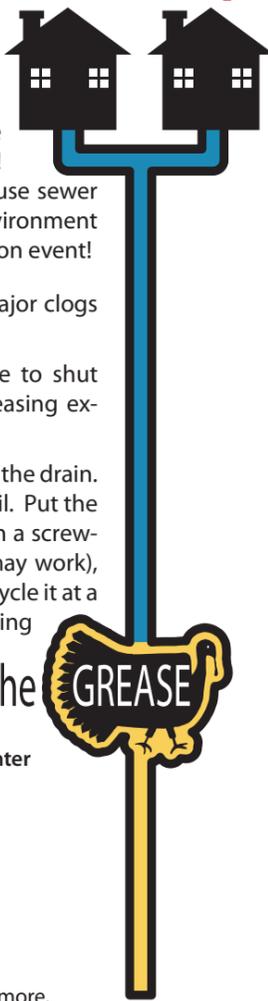
## 2015 Holiday Grease Roundup

Nov. 30–Dec. 11

Cooking grease clogs up the sewer system

Don't pour your Thanksgiving grease down the drain! Recycle it for free instead! Grease clogs your pipes and can even cause sewer backups. Protect your home, city and environment by recycling it during this regional collection event!

- Grease hardens in the pipes, causing major clogs and sewer overflows.
- If the sewer overflows, city crews have to shut down streets, tying up traffic and increasing expenses for you and the city.
- Don't pour grease and cooking oil down the drain. After you deep-fry food, cool the used oil. Put the grease into a rigid plastic container with a screw-top lid (the container the oil came in may work), and either throw away in the trash or recycle it at a drop off location that accepts used cooking oil and grease.



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**Local locations for grease drop off:**

**Dallas County Home Chemical Collection Center**  
11234 Plano Rd., Dallas, TX 75243

**Richland College**  
12800 Abrams Rd., Dallas, TX 75243  
Behind the soccer field concession stand

**Whole Foods Market**  
5100 Belt Line Rd., Addison, TX 75254  
Left side of building nearest to the tollway

Go to [www.CeaseTheGreaseNTX.com](http://www.CeaseTheGreaseNTX.com) to learn more.



## 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.

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.

Refer to information below to 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. If you are unsure of your BABIC/Recycle Day, call 972-744-4111 or visit [www.cor.net/Recycling](http://www.cor.net/Recycling).

Put leaves and grass into a **compostable** bag and leave them by the street in **front** of your home. (Compostable bags may be purchased at local home improvement stores.)

**Benefits** Placing your brush and yard trimmings in compostable bags diverts it from the landfill, which saves the City money. It also provides beneficial reuse for your lawn and garden.

**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 BABIC Pickup

Call 972-744-4111 or visit [www.cor.net/BABIC](http://www.cor.net/BABIC) or use the MyRichardson App (download at [www.cor.net/MyRichardson](http://www.cor.net/MyRichardson)). For more information, visit [www.cor.net/Recycling](http://www.cor.net/Recycling) or [www.cor.net/BABIC](http://www.cor.net/BABIC).

## National Night Out Shines Again

The City of Richardson held its annual National Night Out event Tuesday, Oct. 6. Almost 200 registered neighborhood parties participated and helped collect more than 6,800 pounds of food for the NETWORK of Community Ministries food bank.

This was the 26th year of NNO participation by the City of Richardson, facilitated by the Richardson Police Department's Crime Prevention Unit. The event promotes awareness, safety and neighborhood unity and showcases the vital importance of police-community partnerships and citizen involvement.

The following is a list of the 2015 NNO Neighborhood winners

### East Sector

**Overall Winner**

Yale Park NA: Jennifer Fowler, Reptsie Jamison, Anne Luke, Donna Rouse

**1st Runner Up**

Highland Terrace: Molly Moore, Cindy Leonard

**2nd Runner Up**

Creek Hollow Estates HOA: Jerri Strong, Marc Winandy, Karen Trousdale

**3rd Runner Up**

Eastpark Crime Watch: Kay George, Maria Sacco

**Honorable Mention**

College Park, Glenville Park, N. College Park, Town North: Janice Gromadin, Paco Ota, Kathy Hill, Len Foster

### West Sector

**Overall Winner**

Canyon Creek/Eastwood: Lisa Rees

**1st Runner Up**

300 Woodcrest/2900 Canyon Brook: Marita & Bob Walsh, Trey & Pati Otte

**2nd Runner Up**

Cottonwood Heights NA: Joe Stephenson, Marina Armstrong, Lucy Thornton

**3rd Runner Up**

Sage Valley: Tim & Julie Judson

**Honorable Mention**

Stardust Lane: Judy Reed, Eva Waldrop, Claudia Wolosz

**Multi-Family**

La Mirada Apartments

**Higher Caliber Award**

Prairie Creek Villas



## Animal Shelter receives donation for new courtyard

Richardson AnimaLuv, a local nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting the Richardson Animal Shelter, presented a check for \$10,515 to the Richardson City Council last month. The donation will be used to build an outdoor dog visitation courtyard area at the Shelter for use by volunteers and adoptive families.

AnimaLuv raises funds for animal medical expenses and personal hygiene in the hopes of increasing the pet adoption rate, and provides for Shelter needs that go beyond the City's budgeted funding. For more information, go to [www.richardsonanimaluv.org](http://www.richardsonanimaluv.org).

**BENEFITING THE RICHARDSON ANIMAL SHELTER**

11th Annual  
**CITY WIDE PET DAY**



**SAT., NOV. 7**

**10 a.m.-4 p.m.**

**\$2 ADMISSION**

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200 N. Plano Road

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MICROCHIPPING \$12

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[www.RichardsonAnimaLuv.org](http://www.RichardsonAnimaLuv.org)

## FREE recycling bags available to residents Nov. 13-14 to celebrate America Recycles Day

One free roll of blue recycling bags will be available to Richardson residents (with proof of residency) Friday and Saturday Nov. 13-14 to celebrate America Recycles Day.

The availability of free bags comes as the City Council has placed an increased focus on recycling to raise awareness and to provide more programs to help boost the amount of material that is diverted from landfills.

There is a limit of one roll of bags per household. Free bags will **ONLY** be available the following **specific** dates, times and locations:

**Nov. 13, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.**  
Richardson City Hall  
411 West Arapaho Rd.

**Nov. 14, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.**  
Huffhines Recreation Center  
200 N. Plano Rd.

**Nov. 14, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.**  
Heights Recreation Center  
711 W. Arapaho Rd.

**Nov. 14, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.**  
Fire Station #6  
3591 Park Vista Rd.

Learn more about the City's recycling program at [www.cor.net/recycling](http://www.cor.net/recycling) or call 972-744-4410.

## Public meeting for Lookout Park improvements

The Richardson Parks Department staff will conduct an informational public meeting to discuss planned improvements to Lookout Park.

The meeting will be held Nov. 5 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the City Hall/Civic Center Complex in the east conference room on the first floor.

If you have questions or comments, please contact Superintendent of Park Planning Kurt Beilharz at 972-744-4307 or [kurt.beilharz@cor.gov](mailto:kurt.beilharz@cor.gov).

## Blue Bags available at Fire Station #6 Nov. 7

Fire Station #6 will offer blue recycling bags for purchase Saturday, Nov. 7 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. The 30-gallon bags are sold in rolls of 25 for \$3.50 for residents, or \$4 for non-residents. Blue bag letters, redeemable for a free roll, are honored at this location as well. Credit and debit cards are accepted.

Fire Station #6 offers the bags on the first Saturday of every month. The station is located at 3591 Park Vista Rd. For more information, call 972-744-4111.



## Urban Naturalist walks continue throughout winter

The upcoming schedule of Urban Naturalist contains four walks at Breckinridge Park and the Spring Creek Nature Area. The walks are \$5 for adults 18 and older plus \$2 for non-residents, except for the Jan. 1 walk, which is \$5 per family. Preregister by calling Heights Recreation Center (972-744-7850) or Huffhines Recreation Center (972-744-7881) or go to [www.cor.net/parksonline](http://www.cor.net/parksonline). No drinking fountains or restrooms are available in the area of Breckinridge Park where the walks take place, so plan accordingly. Feel free to bring water bottles, snacks, notebooks, binoculars or cameras. Long pants and sturdy shoes are recommended. Walks are restricted to 25 participants (50 for the Jan. 1 walk) and children are encouraged to attend but must be accompanied by an adult. Please meet at the parking lot at 3404 Moroney Drive for the walks at Breckinridge Park.

### LIVING WITH WILDLIFE IN THE URBAN AREA

Come and join a nature walk with Derek Broman, Urban Wildlife Biologist with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. As urban growth continues to encroach on undeveloped land, more and more wildlife habitat is lost and the critters must either go to another location or adapt to their new surroundings. If you are fortunate enough to live near a creek, you may be surprised to learn you are living by a wildlife highway. So how do we live with nature and wildlife in a compatible manner? And what risks are really present with urban wildlife or just completely misunderstood and blown out of proportion. This is a walk everyone will enjoy and get a better understanding of our "other" neighbors we share the landscape with.

Saturday, Nov. 7, 8:30-10:30 a.m.,  
25 participants, Course Number: 86061

### RESOLUTION HIKE

Start the New Year off right by getting outdoors, being active and enjoying nature. What better way to kick-off 2016 than a hike into Spring Creek Nature Area with other dedicated "resolution makers"? Welcome in the New Year with family and friends in a unique outdoor setting where you can connect with nature close to home and burn off some holiday calories. Come savor the beauty of this natural area park and enjoy the native wildlife in the woods of Spring Creek Nature Area as they welcome you and call you back to visit again. What a great opportunity to make 2016 your year to get out and enjoy nature. This is an accessible route for all ages and abilities. Binoculars are highly recommended but not required. Hikers will meet at Galatyn Plaza by the fountain. Please park in the Eisemann Garage. You will receive a parking voucher when you

check-in for the hike. Special pricing only for this hike of \$5 per family.

Friday, Jan. 1, 9-11 a.m.,  
50 participants, Course Number: 87432

### BIRDS OF WINTER

Winter in North Central Texas is host to many migrating bird species, many of which stopover at Breckinridge Park. Master Audubon Birders will guide hikers through the habitats of Breckinridge Park's natural areas in search of the sights and sounds of these many winter bird species. This weekend coincides with the Cornell/Audubon Great Backyard Bird Count and all bird species identified and counted by the group will be recorded into the database of this nationwide event. Binoculars are highly recommended but not required for this birding nature walk.

Saturday, Feb. 13, 8:30-10:30 a.m.,  
25 participants, Course Number: 87431

### TROUT LILY DISCOVERY WALK

A magnificent opportunity awaits those adventurous enough to walk with Texas Master Naturalist Jim Varnum on a tour of Breckinridge Park in search of the truly unique Trout Lily which is one of the first early bloomers of spring in unique natural areas. The blooms of the Trout Lily, or dog-tooth violet, persist only a short time and are easily overlooked in their natural setting, but these are the premiere native plant announcing the approaching spring bloom of other natural wildflowers in the park. Please bring your cameras for some up close photography opportunities of this gem of the woodlands and binoculars may come in handy for other sightings in the park.

Saturday, Feb. 27, 10-11:30 a.m.,  
25 participants, Course Number: 87434



## Newly renovated Course 1 reopens

Sherrill's Park's Course 1 reopened Oct. 17.

Course 1 had been closed since February. New greens featuring an advanced Bermuda grass were installed on all 18 holes and the location of the 4th, 5th, 14th and 18th greens was moved. The shape and contour of some of the greens was also changed, making the course more interesting and challenging to golfers.

In addition to the new greens, work was also done on the nearly three dozen bunkers that line the fairways and greens. Workers also redid the tee boxes, planted 113 new trees and pruned existing trees to give the course a new look. The main drainage pond was also dredged to remove silt buildup.

### City Championship

Sherrill Park will hold its annual City Championship Nov. 14-15. The tournament will be played on Course 1 and Course 2.

Entry fee is \$150, or \$80 and two punches if you have a resident punch card. The cost includes green fees and cart. Lunch will be provided on Saturday. The tournament will be flighted by handicap, and it is preferred that entrants have a verifiable USGA handicap. Trophies and awards will be given for all flights, as well as a ladies' flight. The resident champion will have their name inscribed on the trophy and will take home a championship plaque.

For more information call the Sherrill Park Pro Shop at 972-234-1416.

## RISD Spirit Run 2015 set for Nov. 7

The annual RISD Excellence in Education Foundation Spirit Run is Nov. 7 at Galatyn Park. Registration begins at 7 a.m., with the one mile walk/fun run starting at 8 a.m. and the 5K beginning at 8:30 a.m. The awards ceremony is at 9:30 a.m.

Four high schools will compete for bragging rights and a coveted traveling Spirit Trophy based on the participants' end of race votes. Each school will be assigned one of four spirit stops and their drum lines, jazz bands and others entertain runners and cheer them to the finish.

Registration is \$30 through Nov. 6 and \$35 the day of the race. Runners aged 18 and under may register for \$10. For more information, visit [www.risdspirtrun.com](http://www.risdspirtrun.com).

The mission of the Excellence in Education Foundation is to promote enrichment, innovation and excellence in education. It provides funding for programs, raises funds for the enrichment and innovations of teaching, recognizes and rewards excellence in teaching and performance, and reinforces positive relations with the community.

## Huffhines Tennis Center

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 are also available in 30 minute or one hour blocks.

The Huffhines Tennis center is located

at 1601 Syracuse Dr. Fees are \$2 per person for 1 1/2 hours. Court reservations may be made by calling 972-744-7870 one day in advance.

Visit [www.bit.ly/1Bz1frE](http://www.bit.ly/1Bz1frE) for more information.

Bring your camera for a photo opportunity with Santa! Remember, Dec. 10 and 17 are "Hometown Thursdays" and are open to Richardson residents only. Tickets can be picked up beginning Nov. 30 at Heights and Huffhines recreation centers, or City Hall.

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**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 (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.

**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 Nov. 2. 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, Nov. 2 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, Nov. 2 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, Nov. 21 from 2-3 p.m. Cost is \$60 with membership, \$63 without membership.

**iPhone iOS 8, 102**  
Class will cover the photos app on the phone for editing pictures and how to take better videos. Bring your iPhone to class Saturday, Nov. 21 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 Nov. 2. 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 sessions will be Nov. 17 and 24 with a morning class from 9 a.m.-noon or an evening class from 6-9 p.m. Cost for the class is \$50 with membership; \$53 without membership.

**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 Nov. 3, 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**  
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 Nov. 3. 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.

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.

**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.

**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.

**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:

Nov. 5	8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Nov. 19	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:

Nov. 2 and 3	6-9 p.m.
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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. Darlene Martin is the instructor.

**ABC Quilting**  
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. Class meets every Monday from 2-6 p.m. Cost for the class is \$16 a month. Jan Eby is the instructor.

**Beginner Plus Square Dance**  
Dances are Tuesday nights from 7-9 p.m. Cost of class is \$7 per person with a Senior Center membership or \$10 a class without a Senior Center membership.

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

**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 TBA. 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 Dec. 10 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.

**Happy Birthday Party**  
We will now celebrate birthdays that are in the seasons of SPRING, SUMMER, FALL or WINTER on the last Monday of the first month of each season at 2 p.m. Fall-September; Winter-December; Spring-March; Summer-June.

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

**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.

Nov. 7	Bill G. Band
Nov. 28	Doc Gibbs

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.

**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

### 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](http://www.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. 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. Youth and adults of all playing strengths are welcome. The club activities include Swiss Tournaments, Opening Theme matches and video matches. Call the Senior Center 972-744-7800 for more information.

### NEW!! Scrabble Club

Come join us Tuesday evenings from 7-9 p.m. to meet new friends, exercise your mind and have a fun evening playing scrabble. Children under 16 are welcome to participate.

### Mental Aerobics

Riddles, word games, puzzles, trivia and a general mental playground. We have a large room and welcome drop-ins who enjoy thinking activities that require no study, memorization, practice or stress. 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 Nov. 19 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 hand-crafts Tuesdays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

## Services

### 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.

### 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 2-3 p.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.

### Holiday Stress Relief

Liz Polanco is offering a two-day, four-hour holiday support group Nov. 21 and Dec. 12 from 1-2 p.m. You will learn to identify your stressors and how to use coping skills to manage them, so the holiday season is no longer your dreaded time of the year. Fee is \$30.

### 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 online at [www.FirstRichardsonHelpers.org](http://www.FirstRichardsonHelpers.org). Click on "Request for Services."

### Blood Pressure Checks

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

### 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 Nov. 5.

### Volunteer Opportunities

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

## Fitness

### 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.

### 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.

### 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.

### 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.



## Senior Holiday Bazaar—Nov. 13-14

The 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, 820 W. Arapaho Rd. Stop in and shop early for special handmade holiday gifts.

### 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.

### Pilates Class

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.

### Fall WaterAerobic Classes

Popular instructor Laurie Wilder continues fall WaterAerobic instruction. 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.

### 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.

### Pickleball

The Richardson Senior Center Pickleball 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. Pickleball is one of the fastest growing sports among seniors. If you are interested and would like more information call 972-744-7800.

### 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.

## 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.

## 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

# CTECH@RPL

CREATIVE TECHNOLOGY  
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## Learn & Create: 3D Printing & Tinkercad



Saturday, Nov. 21 • 2-4 p.m.

Adults & Teens  
Basement Program  
Room

Registration starts  
Nov. 6

Laptop required

Call Vrena at 972-744-4376 to register  
and for more information.

## Available now at the RPL!

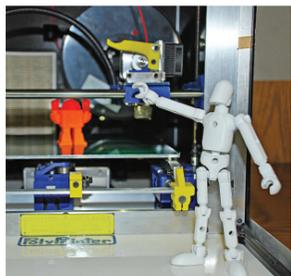
Complete creative projects and learn new skills!



Arduino Kits



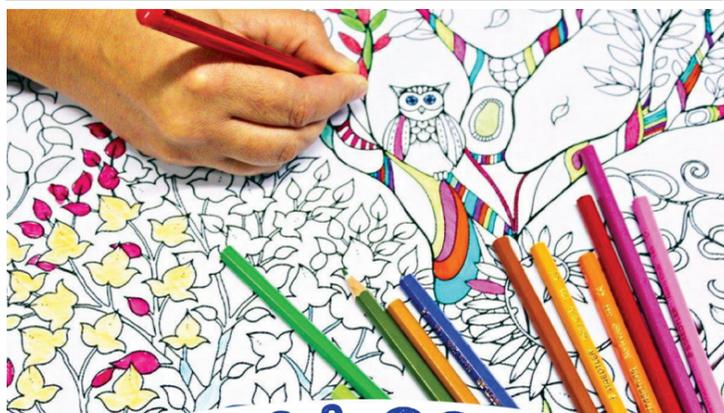
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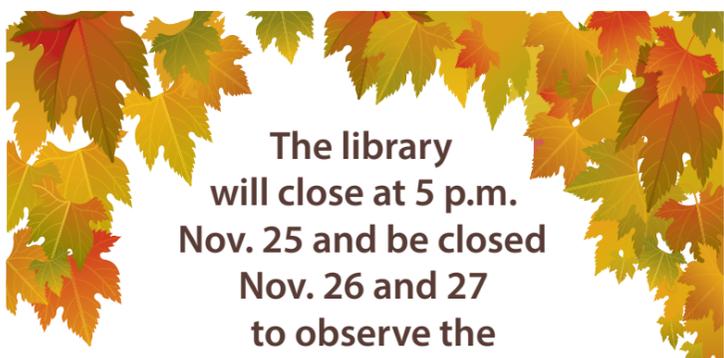


## COOKIES & COLORING

for all ages!

Come for an afternoon of  
coloring, relaxing and  
enjoying refreshments.

Wednesday, Nov. 4  
3:30-5:30 p.m.  
Basement Program Room



The library  
will close at 5 p.m.  
Nov. 25 and be closed  
Nov. 26 and 27  
to observe the  
Thanksgiving Holidays.



## Celtic Fingerstyle Guitar

Acclaimed Celtic Guitarist  
Virtuoso Musician and Composer  
World-class Storyteller  
As heard on NPR and PBS



## Jerry Barlow

Everyone is invited!

Thursday  
Nov. 12  
6:30 p.m.

Basement Program Room

For more information please call 972-744-4376.  
This is a FREE program funded by the Friends of the Library.

## CRAFTIVITY!

Crafts & Games!

Come and go  
family fun for all ages!

Saturday, Nov. 14  
3-4:30 p.m.

Basement Program Room  
No registration required

For more information,  
call 972-744-4358.



## Tales for Tails



Read to real dogs from  
Heart of Texas Therapy Dogs!

Sunday, Nov. 15  
3-4 p.m.

For Readers in Grades K-4  
Children's Program Room

Free tickets will be distributed in the  
Children's Department beginning at  
2:30 p.m. the afternoon of the event, on  
first-come, first-served basis.

# STELLAR JEDI NIGHT

Games!  
Costume Contest – Dress up!  
Prizes & Giveaways!

Animated  
Star Wars  
Movie

Movie  
Screening  
5-7 p.m.

Arts & Crafts  
Star Wars Origami,  
Trivia & Coloring Sheets

Monday, Nov. 23  
5-8 p.m.  
All ages welcome!  
First Floor & Basement Program Rooms

## TEEN DIY NITES IN NOVEMBER

Make upcycled holiday gifts and decorations!

Tuesdays  
6:30-8 p.m.

First Floor Program Room  
Registration required;  
call 972-744-4358

Nov. 10  
Make with  
keyboard keys



Nov. 17  
Make with  
used books  
and magazines

Nov. 24  
Make with  
soda cans



Internet 101  
Friday, Nov. 13  
10 a.m.-noon



Job Searching  
on the Internet  
Friday, Nov. 6  
10-11:30 a.m.