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RCAS marks 50 years of visual art in Richardson

For 50 years, the Richardson Civic Art Society (RCAS) has supported area visual artists and helped beautify local homes, businesses and public buildings with creative visual art. Now funded in part by a grant from the City's Cultural Arts Commission, the 130-member organization sponsors five juried shows each year; numerous solo shows and small group exhibits; and several workshops conducted by accomplished local and national artists. In addition, RCAS hosts monthly meetings/art demonstrations in the Library's Basement Program Room, continuing a long association with the City that stretches back to the group's early days.

Officially founded in 1966, the "first nonprofit arts organization in Richardson" was hatched two years earlier by four non-artists, who ini-

tially held meetings in members' homes and later in an auditorium at Richardson police headquarters. The slowly growing group arranged showings of members' work in doctors' offices, restaurants and theater lobbies, and held exhibits in the Founders Building of what became UT Dallas. When the current Richardson Public Library was built in 1970, the City gave RCAS gallery space there, in conjunction with the City's plans for public art.

The Library's RCAS display area is located on the third floor, where the group conducts several of its shows and exhibits. RCAS also holds shows at the Eisemann Center and in both City rec centers.

"We are so fortunate to be in the City of Richardson," said RCAS president Pat Fekete. "What we re-



A photo collage from RCAS meeting with Janice Hamilton as the demo artist.

ceive from the City and its support of the arts is just amazing."

RCAS helps promote and encourage the work of not only area adult artists, but children and teens as well. The Young People's Scholarship Show each winter showcases the work of area high school students and offers almost

\$2,000 in cash prizes. The Rosemary Cheney Memorial Art Show (currently on display at the Library) highlights the work of RISD elementary students. In the fall, RCAS co-sponsors a junior high art show with Altrusa International of Richardson, Inc. The remainder
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Altrusa Richardson invites you to be a "Kindness Ninja" April 2-3

Richardson has many labels: The Telecom Corridor® area, International Business Capital of North Texas and Bike Friendly City to name a few. Altrusa International of Richardson, Inc. is hoping Richardson will also be known as a kind city thanks to the organization's upcoming Weekend of Kindness. Altrusa Richardson is encouraging groups and individuals to sign up on its Facebook page and then make a concerted effort to be a "Kindness Ninja" April 2-3.

"We are encouraging people to pay it forward, to do something nice for a friend, family member or a complete stranger," said Cindy McIntyre, 2015-16 president of Altrusa Richardson. "Richardson has more than 100,000 residents, and amazing things could happen if even a small fraction of that population participates."

Participants are asked to report back on what happened during Weekend of Kindness, with photos if possible. Residents may also participate by donating to one of Altrusa's Partner Charities.

"These groups live kindness every day of the year and always need support," McIntyre said.

Here are a few more suggestions from Altrusa Richardson on showing kindness:

- Pay for the person behind you at the coffee shop;
- Put a note in your mailbox to thank the postal worker;
- Pick up trash in the neighborhood park;
- Teach a child about kindness to animals while you walk your dog.

So far, participants include the Richardson City Council, Lions Club, Rotary Club and many Altrusans.

"We want kindness to be a way of life in our city," McIntyre said. "Kindness makes you feel good, no matter how small your good deed. You will change your attitude toward others and begin looking for the good in the world. And you don't have to spend a lot of time or money—it's just one weekend, one afternoon or one hour."

To sign up, go to www.facebook.com/AltrusaRichardsonTexas. Groups wishing to order their own T-shirts with the Kindness Ninja logo can contact bobbiklein@gmail.com for ordering instructions.



Arts website the result of Cultural Arts Master Plan



Next month will mark the three-year anniversary of the adoption of the City's Cultural Arts Master Plan. The plan was created after receiving community input and was designed to serve as a guide to help strengthen the arts community in Richardson by building synergies among the various performance arts groups and enhancing existing arts facilities in the area.

Since its inception, members of the Cultural Arts Commission have been working to implement the six priorities found in the plan:

- Attract new generations to ensure long-term excitement, dynamism and vitality of Richardson's cultural arts sector;
- Apply Richardson's focus on innovation to cultural arts;
- Promote Richardson through citywide cultural arts offerings;
- Focus on strength in numbers through cultural clusters;
- Plan an effective cultural tourism strategy;
- Maximize the impact of the Cultural Arts Commission.

One of the most visible projects to come out of the Cultural Arts Master Plan is the website, www.ArtsinRichardson.com. The website launched in April 2014 and is a one-stop shop for information on local arts groups and events. The

website is a collaborative effort between the City, its partner organizations such as Richardson ISD and UT Dallas, and the groups that receive funding from the Richardson Cultural Arts Commission.

"The website brings together a listing of arts events in the city in one, easy-to-navigate place," said Assistant City Manager Shanna Sims-Bradish. "The website also serves a valuable role in allowing our great local arts organizations to get information about their events to a wide audience."

One event held last October managed to fulfill several of the plan's priorities. Co-sponsored by the Richardson Symphony Orchestra and Arts Incubator of Richardson (AIR), "Ricochet 15" was a two-day event featuring free performances, exhibits and hands-on artistic events in venues throughout the city. The event also featured the temporary installation of "BIRD," a 100-pound stainless steel sculpture by Brad Oldham, at the Richardson Public Library. Oldham is also the creator of the popular "Traveling Man" installation at the intersection of Swiss Avenue and Good Latimer Expressway in Deep Ellum.

To learn more about the Cultural Arts Master Plan, visit www.cor.net/CAMP.

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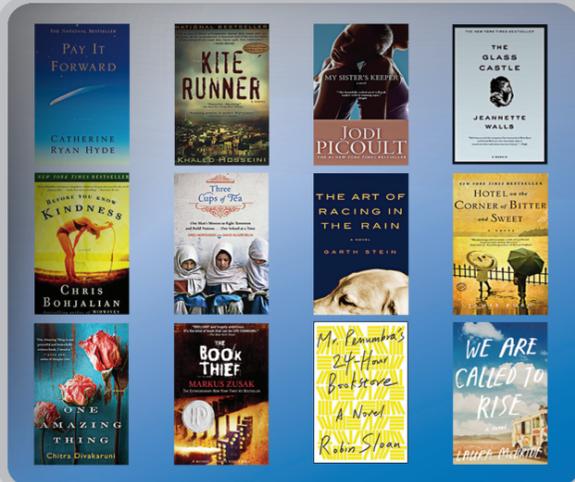
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Richardson Reads One Book
www.OneBook.cor.net
Friends of the Richardson Public Library
www.RichardsonFOL.org
 The Friends of the Richardson Public Library helps support the literary arts by providing funding for Richardson Public Library programs such as the book discussion groups BOOKBabble and REAL Reads.



Arts Incubator of Richardson
www.ArtsIncubatorRichardson.org
 AIR's mission is to provide the Richardson community with a facility and resources for nurturing artists and innovative thinkers; and igniting a spirit of creativity that permeates our entire community.



Richardson Theatre Centre
www.RichardsonTheatreCentre.net
 Richardson Theatre Centre was established in 1989 to provide creative and innovative live theater within Richardson.

Dallas Chinese Community Center
www.DallasCCC.org
 The Dallas Chinese Community Center celebrated its 30th anniversary in 2015 and offers calligraphy and painting classes year round.



Richardson Symphony Orchestra
www.RichardsonSymphony.org
 The Richardson Symphony is now in its 54th year of providing high-quality music performances and music education.

Richardson Community Band
www.RichardsonCommunityBand.org
 Richardson Community Band provides free concerts throughout the year, including their Summer Series on the lawn of the Richardson Civic Center.



Repertory Company Theatre
www.RCTTheatre.com
 Repertory Company Theatre has provided professional theater in Richardson for the past 29 years and is comprised of 53 performers from all over the Metroplex.



Texas Ballet Theater
www.TexasBalletTheater.org
 Texas Ballet Theater is known for creating performance seasons that blend classic, storybook ballets with newer, rarely seen works.

Lone Star Wind Orchestra
www.LoneStarWindOrchestra.com
 The Lone Star Wind Orchestra is celebrating its 10th anniversary in 2016.



Rich-Tone Chorus
www.RichTones.org
 The Rich-Tone Chorus was chartered in 1967 in Richardson as an organization of female singers committed to advancing barber-shop music.



Islamic Art Revival Series
www.IslamicArtRevival.com
 Islamic Art Revival Series provides interactive art activities for adults and children, films, music, storytelling and calligraphy demonstrations.



Groups not pictured

- Dance**
- Avant Chamber Ballet www.AvantChamberBallet.org
 - Chamber Music International www.ChamberMusicInternational.org
 - Chamberlain Performing Arts (Chamberlain Ballet) www.ChamberlainPerformingArts.org
 - Dallas Repertoire Ballet www.DanceADA.com/Companies/Dallas-Repertoire-Ballet
 - Tuzer Ballet www.TuzerBallet.com

Music

- Contemporary Chorale www.TheContemporaryChorale.org
- Dallas Asian American Youth Orchestra www.daayo.org
- Plano Community Band www.PlanoBand.com
- Plano Symphony Orchestra www.PlanoSymphony.org
- Texas Performing Chinese Arts Assoc. www.tpcausa.org
- Texas Winds Musical Outreach www.TexasWinds.org

Theater

- Pegasus Theatre, Inc. www.PegasusTheatre.org
- Spectacular Senior Follies www.SeniorFollies.com

Film/Video

- Video Association of Dallas www.VideoFest.org

Arts Incubator benefits City en route to finding home

The Arts Incubator of Richardson (AIR) may be the most patient arts organization in the city.

AIR, a 501 c (3) organization funded in part by the City's Cultural Arts Commission, has been working for nine years to find and develop a "business address for artists," a multi-purpose creative space in Richardson akin to those in other cities such as the Kemp Center for the Arts in Wichita Falls and Third Street Center in Carbondale, Colo. AIR board president Kitty Goddard said it will fill needs currently not covered by the Eisemann Center and will include low cost spaces that artists can rent; space for classes; a performance area; space where theater groups can create sets; galleries; and rehearsal space.

"Rehearsal space is what got this whole thing started in 2007," recalled Goddard. "Two members of the Rich-Tone Chorus were looking for a place to rehearse in Richardson." She said other artists chimed in that they needed space as well, and AIR (originally called

The Richardson Fine Arts Center) was born.

Since then, the group has focused on developing a creative presence in Richardson and a solid management reputation while trying to identify the perfect space and location, before undertaking any major fundraising.

AIR has successfully spearheaded several ongoing, free events in Richardson including "PopUP" art shows and SEED, a monthly gathering for "creative types" held at various artists' spaces in Richardson featuring networking and demonstrations by featured artists. Past artists have included poets, musicians, a pastry chef, an electronic toy designer and a textile designer.

"We define art very broadly," Goddard explained.

The group's AIR Time series, which features live interviews of notable guests, is in its sixth season, housed at the Alamo Draft-house Cinema since 2013 and accompanied by free films.

Last year, AIR received a grant from the City's Cultural Arts Com-

mission to co-host "Ricochet 15" with the Richardson Symphony Orchestra, an art "happening" held Oct. 16-17 featuring free creative events throughout the city. Goddard considers it a success and said the event reached approximately 4,000 people, based on actual attendance plus social media shares.

"It not only showcased creativity but it encouraged people to visit places within the city they might not have been before, like McKamy Spring Park, where drama and music performances were held," Goddard said.

Goddard hopes that civic leaders will see the future Arts Incubator space as important for business as well as the arts scene, a place to spark creativity in employees that carries over into the workday.

She noted that creative arts spaces have been shown to help economically depressed areas, not only for the participants they attract, but for the "support businesses" that locate nearby, such as costume shops and art supply stores.



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"The potential to be an economic driver in a revitalization area of Richardson would be terribly exciting," Goddard said.

Recently, AIR members and a team of volunteers painted a colorful 100-foot-wide by 12-foot-tall mural on the back of Four Bullets Brewery, located in a TIF zone populated mostly by warehouses and auto shops. Not only do patrons now enjoy the mural, but it is

clearly visible to DART rail riders. Goddard says it would've cost the business \$75,000 if they'd hired out the mural work.

"Talk about setting a tone for revitalization!" she exclaimed. "And community building—that's really the point of everything we do."

For more information about AIR, go to www.artsincubatorrichardson.org.

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of RCAS' shows are open to ages 18 and up, with entries from both members and non-members welcome at several. The organization attracts members from not only Richardson, but from across the Metroplex.

"I've been a member of other area cities' art clubs but am now devoting my energy to Richardson's," said artist and RCAS member Linda Clary, who lives in Allen. "The Richardson Civic Art Society has a lot more opportunities for artists to show their work . . . the shows help get the word out. People start to know your name and what you do."

All participating adult artists may choose to offer their work for sale at the shows. In addition, RCAS uses social media to promote shows and provides space on their website for artists to post images of their work and links to their own websites. Opportunities for artists to be featured in solo shows at Heights Rec Center are ongoing, with artists changing every six weeks, and a multiple artist show is ongoing at Huffhines Rec Center, changing every three months. The exception is during the City of Richardson photography contest, when photograph exhibits are held at both rec centers.

RCAS' biggest show is its Regional Juried Art Exhibition and Sale, held every year since the group began and now housed at the Eisemann Center. It attracts amateur and professional artists from across Texas and includes

cash and merchandise awards totaling almost \$7,000. RCAS traditionally purchases the Best in Show painting and donates it to the City—all donated artwork currently resides at the Library, displayed throughout the building as space permits. A special 50th anniversary reception is planned for this year's regional competition, and the RCAS hopes to include a slideshow highlighting all 50 pieces of donated art.

"Our association with the Richardson Civic Art Society is a win-win," said Assistant City Manager Shanna Sims-Bradish. "They continue to grace our Library, Eisemann Center and rec centers with beautiful art, and attract hundreds of artists to visit these facilities as well as their families, friends and art fans. In addition, they encourage and teach our citizens to develop their artistic talent and further increase the amount of creativity that surrounds us."

The organization welcomes anyone interested in art, and its monthly meetings are open to the public at no charge. For more information, go to www.richardson-arts.org.

The Rosemary Cheney Show featuring the art of elementary school students runs through March 18 at the Library. The RCAS Spring Show (formerly the 50+ Show) is March 19-April 23 at the Library. The Regional Juried Art Exhibition is April 28-May 30 at the Eisemann Center.

Public Art Master Plan fully in effect

When the Public Art Master Plan was approved in March 2015, its main goal was to help guide development of future public art projects in the city. One year later, the first of these new art projects is getting close to becoming a reality.

The City has issued a request for proposal and is in the process of meeting with artists for a piece that will be installed in Eastside Phase II, which is currently under construction. The development is located west of Greenville Avenue to the south of the existing Eastside development and is expected to be complete this summer, with the installation of the art piece scheduled for late 2016.

"We are excited to see the first results of the new Public Art Program," said Assistant City Manager Shanna Sims-Bradish. "The program is going to be an important part of the plan to increase the amount of public art in the city."

The plan focuses on two types of public art projects:

1. Public art projects that convey a distinct character for Richardson's neighborhoods and business districts.
2. Public art projects that contribute to the overall look, feel and image of Richardson.

Under the plan, developers are encouraged to incorporate public art into projects, and public art could be incorporated into specific future general obligation bond projects. The master plan recommends selecting projects that reinforce the City's design character, express the identity of Richardson's neighborhoods, embrace the City's diversification, engage people and display Richardson's history.

One of the most popular pieces of public art in the city is an example of the type of art the city is looking to incorporate into future projects. "The Rocket" stands at the foot of the bridge connecting Heights Park and the new rec center, paying homage to Richardson's past and the fond memories many Richardson residents have for the dearly departed Heights Park playground rocket ship.

To help showcase the art found throughout Richardson, the City's Geographic Information Services Department has created an interactive map showcasing more than two dozen pieces ranging from sculptures to paintings. The map may be found at www.cor.net/publicartmap. Other maps created by GIS may be viewed at richardson.maps.arcgis.com.

For more information or to view the Public Art Master Plan, visit www.cor.net/arts.

Public Art Map
Points of public art in the City of Richardson

www.cor.net/publicartmap

The screenshot shows a grid of 12 numbered images of public art pieces: 1. Bike Racks, 2. John Lennon Etched Glass Doors, 3. Gateway, 4. Sculptures, 5. Green Mezzanine Gallery, 6. Seven Muses, 7. Galatyn Park Fountain, 8. Galatyn Nature Trail Sculptures, 9. Rocket. To the right is a map of Richardson with numbered markers corresponding to these pieces. A 'Cascading Leaves' popup window is visible over the map.

Repertory Company Theatre brings Broadway to Richardson

Repertory Company Theatre continues its 2015-16 season with "Broadway's Best 2016" March 18-20 at the Promenade Theatre. If you like Broadway musicals, you will love Broadway's Best!

The Promenade Theatre is located at 650 N. Coit Rd., Richardson. Showtimes are 7:30 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$30 and include dessert from the dessert bar. For tickets call 972-690-5029 or visit www.rcttheatre.com.



RTC presents "Dixie Swim Club"

The Richardson Theatre Centre's 2016 season is underway with a performance of "Dixie Swim Club" March 18-April 3. The production focuses on five Southern women whose friendships began many years ago on their college swim team. The women set aside a long weekend every August to recharge those relationships. "The Dixie Swim Club" focuses on four of those weekends and spans a period of 33 years. As their lives unfold and the years pass, these women increasingly rely on one another to get through the challenges that life flings at them.

Performances take place at the Richardson Theatre Centre, 518 W. Arapaho Rd., Suite 113. Shows will be held Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Thursday and Sunday performances are \$20, while Friday and Saturday performances are \$22. Groups of eight or more receive \$2 off the ticket price. For information, visit www.richardsontheatrecentre.net or call 972-699-1130.

Theatre UTD is a hidden gem

Most weeks, Richardson residents looking for a night out experiencing live theater don't have to drive south of LBJ Freeway to find it. An Internet search turns up almost a dozen options within a five-mile radius of the City. But what online searches can miss is the talent-filled productions offered by local high schools and colleges, including UT Dallas. Its theater program offers three shows per year performed in the school's 284-seat University Theatre, with affordable ticket prices—Thursday night productions are free to all, and weekend shows are \$15 for the general public, with discounts for students, children and alumni.

Though the highly ranked university is known more for science and technology than the arts, Theatre UTD program director Thomas Riccio says that's changing.

"The university is recognizing it needs a strong arts and humanities presence to be a major university," said Riccio. "There is a movement toward expanding arts awareness."

He said the new Arts and Technology (ATEC) building and expanded degree programs are helping with that. UT Dallas offers both undergraduate and graduate degrees in the arts, with several concentration options including dance, music and theater. In ad-



"The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari," above, was presented by Theatre UTD. Other productions have included "Kartasi," "Never A Reference Point," "Tragedy: A Tragedy" and most recently "subURbia."

dition, Riccio said students with a "heart for the arts" who are majoring in other disciplines such as engineering or business may choose an arts minor. Any UT Dallas student is welcome to audition for Theatre UTD shows.

Past productions include Eric Bogosian's "subURbia," "The Fantasticks," Chekov's "The Seagull" and Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream." This spring, students will present "Woyzeck," written in 1836, and "Avenue Q" is planned for fall.

The shows are directed by guest directors or Theatre UTD faculty, all of whom also work in the Dallas theater scene, some with their own theater companies.

No matter the production, Riccio said students, teachers and the audience get a unique experience.

"For its size and interdisciplinary nature, we create some really imaginative art," Riccio said. "When you mix theater students with students from other areas, it really exposes and reveals some unexpected things." He also noted the diversity of the performers.

"We have actors from all over the U.S. and the world ... this contributes to an atmosphere where the unexpected happens more frequently and surprisingly."

Information on upcoming shows, parking and other arts-related events at UT Dallas can be found at www.utdallas.edu/ah/events.

Historical Marker placed at McKamy Spring Park

McKamy Spring Park has become the latest location in the Richardson area to have a State of Texas Historical Marker. The new marker stands atop McKamy Spring inside the park, once a popular watering hole for the Caddo Indians and early Texas settlers. The park is located amidst the Brick Row development west of the intersection of Spring Valley Road and Greenville Avenue.

Parks and Recreation and Library staff worked for more than a year to receive the recognition from the Texas Historical Commission, undertaking a lengthy application process that involved research, historical documentation and approval by the Dallas County Historical Society and state officials.

McKamy Spring Park joins nine other locations in the Richardson area with a marker:

- First Presbyterian Church of Richardson
- City Hall
- First Baptist Church of Richardson
- Blewett Cemetery
- Routh Cemetery
- First United Methodist Church of Richardson
- Wheeler School (the "old red schoolhouse," current RISD administration building)
- Hill-Robberson House (also known as "Miss Belle's Place")
- Texas Instruments at 13500 North Central Expressway, commemorating the demonstration of the first working integrated circuit.



Annual letter mailed for free recycle bags

Residents should receive a letter in the mail this month from Mayor Paul Voelker that can be taken to one of several City facilities to be redeemed for two rolls of 26 blue recycling bags (52 total).

Through the Blue Bag Program, homeowners can combine all of their recyclable material into one bag and place it out for weekly pickup service. The City recycles all plastics #1-7 (with the exception of Styrofoam), and also collects aluminum, tin, steel, empty aerosol cans, newspapers, mixed paper, plastic grocery bags, paper grocery bags, magazines, catalogs, corrugated cardboard, paperboard/chipboard, phone books, junk mail, glass containers (clear and all color glass) and pots and pans.

The City of Richardson also provides a drop-off recycling center that is open to residents 24 hours a day, seven days a week. It is located at the Westside Pump Station at 102 N. Cottonwood Dr., near the intersection of Cottonwood Drive and Belt Line Road.

For more information on the City's recycling program visit www.cor.net/recycling.



Workshop seeks public input on Main Street/US 75 redevelopment

A community workshop to discuss the next phase for implementing the Main Street/Central Expressway Enhancement/Redevelopment Strategy will be held Tuesday, March 29 at 6:30-9 p.m. in the Grand Hall at the Richardson Civic Center/City Hall.

The workshop will focus on Phase 3 of the project that consists of rezoning four sub-districts located in the southern portion of the Corridor—Gateway Commercial, Trailside, Creative Corporate and McKamy Spring. Complete new land use and development regulations will be created for the sub-districts, incorporating the sub-districts into the Main Street/Central Expressway Form Based Code.

These four sub-districts are in an area that stretches along the east and west sides of US 75 from Phillips Street to south of Spring Valley Road.

Concurrently with rezoning the southern end of the Corridor, the City will be making refinements to the existing Code that apply to the central portion of the Corridor—the Interurban, Central Place, Chinatown and Main Street sub-districts—which was rezoned January 2015.

Throughout the course of this project, there will be more opportunities for input from property owners, business owners and other interested persons during stakeholder meetings, community workshops, and public hearings, as well as online.

Questions regarding the workshop and/or the overall strategy for redevelopment and revitalization of Main Street and the Central Expressway Corridor may be directed to Tina Figgins, Planning Projects Manager, at tina.figgins@cor.gov or mainstreetcentral@cor.gov. More information may also be found at www.cor.net/msc.



Local Richardson establishments earn food safety awards

Some local food service establishments received a certificate and a letter of congratulations from the Richardson Health Department last month. The awards were sent to all establishments that maintained a high level of commitment to food safety as observed during food service inspections conducted in 2015.

Only those establishments that serve or handle food and have had no violations of 3, 4 or 5 point deductions observed on the unannounced food service inspections during the year qualify. Additionally, the establishment must maintain documentation that food service workers employed at their locations have been trained in proper food handling.

The award is presented annually, and all 112 recipients are

recognized on the City of Richardson's website at www.cor.net/Health.

The following list includes restaurants and eating establishments open to the general public, but not schools, day cares, company cafeterias, hotels or medical/assisted living facilities. The complete list of recipients is available online at www.cor.net/foodsafetyawards.

BAKERY/CATERING

Aroma Cake House
Cake Carousel
Cookies by Design
Fleurs & Events Bakery
Isabelly's Sweet Treats
Maria's Bakery
Sweet Donuts
Tiff's Treats
The Festive Kitchen

GROCERY STORES

Fiesta Mart #75—
Cold and Hot Deli
Homebrew Headquarters, Inc.
Kroger #517—Bakery/Deli
Kroger #517—
Meat Market/Seafood
Shahzad Mediterranean
Meat Market
Target Stores #1430—Bakery
Tom Thumb #2526—
Meat Market
Tom Thumb #3637—
Meat Market
Tom Thumb #3641—Bakery/Deli
Tom Thumb #3641—
Meat Market
UAC International Foods
Walmart Neighborhood Market
#2974—Deli
ZDAR Market—Grocery

RESTAURANTS

Chipotle Mexican Grill
Coffee Eiland
Culinary Affairs @ Canyon Creek
Presbyterian Church
Great Outdoor Sub Shop
Int'l. Buddhist Progress Society
Jersey Mike's Subs
L & J Deli & Sweets
Monster Yogurt
Olive Oils Pizzeria & More
Papa Murphy's
Take 'N Bake Pizza
Pappasitos Cantina
Penalty Box, Inc.
Pho Truong
Qdoba Mexican Grill
Reverie Bakeshop
Royal Chopstix
Starbucks Coffee #6327
Starbucks Coffee #6391
Subway—West Arapaho
Sweet Firefly, LLC

Sweet Mix
Taco Joint
Target #1430—
Restaurant/Food Avenue
Target #1430—Starbucks
The Billiard Den
Woody B's BBQ

FAST FOOD RESTAURANTS

Arby's Roast Beef—#6381
Burger King
Burger Street
Corner Store #1199—Subway
Jack-in-the-Box—#3838
Jimmy John's, West Campbell
Jimmy John's, East Belt Line
McDonald's, South US 75
McDonald's, South Coit
Pizza Hut—#027267
Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers
Smoothie King
Subway—#571
Whataburger—#1003

Ten properties receive Revitalization Award

Ten projects were recognized in February as part of the 21st annual Community Revitalization Awards program. The program allows the City to thank property owners who have completed revitalization projects having a significant, positive impact on their property and the surrounding area.

The judging committee included Mayor Pro Tem Mark Solomon, Council Member Mabel Simpson, former City Plan Commission Chairman Barry Hand, Commissioner Randy Roland and Amie Mayes representing the Chamber of Commerce. For more information visit www.cor.net/cra.

Properties receiving an award are:



2219 Ridge Crest Drive
• *Ali Residence* •

A 1960s home in Canyon Creek was torn down to make way for a two-story home that features a covered stone porch with square cedar columns. The brick home was designed with multiple gables over the second story windows, accented with brick on the gables and window sills. The home, which sits below street level, is accessed via a new walkway with stairs framed by decorative retaining walls leading to new landscape beds at the front of the porch.



1231 Navaho Trail
• *Forejt Residence* •

A 1960s home, located in the Reservation, was torn down and rebuilt in 2014. The two-story brick, Craftsman-style home features a large, covered porch accented with white columns atop stacked stone bases. The porch and walkway utilize stone and create a consistent look for the front of the home. A second story dormer provides a modern touch indicative of the Craftsman style. Two large trees were preserved and anchor either end of the new landscape beds lined with stone to complement the porch.



1206 Cherokee Place
• *Ihde Residence* •

A 1960s home, also in the Reservation neighborhood, was replaced with a modern style, two-story brick home featuring a stone arched entry which matches the arched windows utilized across the front façade. Varying roof lines provide architectural interest and provide offsets between the first and second story portions of the home. A mature tree in the front yard is complemented with new landscape beds, which were planted with a variety of seasonal color.



110 West Shore Drive
• *McCleary Residence* •

A 1960s Arapaho Heights home was demolished in 2012 after a fire destroyed the home and a new traditional brick home was completed in 2015. A large covered porch with decorative square columns and a standing seam metal roof accent the front façade. The two-story brick home also features multiple gables over the covered porch. Landscaping along the front elevation was updated and complements the mature trees maintained by the homeowners.



328 Robin Way
• *McNeeley Residence* •

Completed in 2015, this 1960s Canyon Creek home underwent a major remodel that included the addition of a second story. Multiple gable styles and varying roof lines were incorporated into the remodel which was sensitive to the scale and design of surrounding homes. Additionally, the materials used were seamlessly incorporated into the existing home. Updated landscaping along the front of the home was installed, accenting the large, mature canopy trees that were maintained.



2014 Flat Creek Place
• *Wallock Residence* •

A 1960s home in Canyon Creek was torn down and rebuilt in 2014. The two-story brick home features a covered front porch with three stone columns, accented with a standing seam metal roof. Varying roof lines and different window shapes and sizes add interest to the front façade. A two-story stone tower feature on the corner of the home highlights large windows showcasing the interior staircase of the home. The existing trees in the front yard were maintained and supplemented with new landscape beds, featuring ornamental trees, shrubs and ground cover.



314 Stonebridge Drive
• *White Residence* •

This tear down and rebuild in Canyon Creek features a contemporary two-story home. The exterior mixes limestone and stucco with cedar beams to create a modern southwest style. The home also features a dark bronze, low-pitched, standing seam metal roof and brown wood

windows. Completing the look is a custom mahogany front door and drought-resistant landscaping in the front beds along with a new walkway accenting the contemporary style of the home which leads to the new front porch.



891 W. Arapaho Rd.
• *Arapaho/Newberry Office Building* •

This office building, constructed in 1964, was recently purchased by a new owner and remodeled in 2015 with the intent of attracting new office tenants. Updates to the site include the addition of a new parking area along Newberry and the implementation of a new landscaping program utilizing native, drought-tolerant plants that complement the building's updated look. Building improvements include painting the exterior, the addition of new doors and windows and the replacement of a failing roof. Additionally, the owner added horizontal cedar plank accents as well as a horizontal wood fence, which screens the building's mechanical equipment, while also serving to provide a more contemporary style for the property.



2717 Custer Parkway
• *Canyon Creek Animal Clinic* •

The property, located on the north side of the Two Creeks Shopping Center, represents revitalization as a redevelopment site but also an infill site. For many years, the site was a service station. Several years ago the service station was demolished and the site remained vacant until the property was purchased to construct a new veterinary clinic. The new vet clinic is constructed in a residential style using a combination of brick and stone. A large gable at the center of the front elevation emphasizes the entrances which are each outlined by cedar columns set atop low brick walls. The new landscaping, sidewalk and wrought iron fence complete the project, which, over eight years, has been transformed from a vacant service station to a new neighborhood vet clinic.



500 Lockwood Drive
• *TNT Dental* •

This property was originally developed in 1962 by the United States Postal Service. Since that time, the facility has been occupied by various office and institutional uses before being vacated in 2008. The current owners purchased the property in 2015 with the intent of remodeling the property for their website development and marketing company, which is specifically focused on dentistry. Extensive changes include the elimination of a driveway and parking area along Lockwood which was replaced with new landscaping and a sidewalk, expansion of the southeast corner of the building for a conference room, and replacement of outdated windows. Additionally, the building was repainted and clad with horizontal metal accent materials. The updated look provides a modern looking building well-suited for a new tenant whose work is focused on digital marketing and web design.

Calendar/Cultural Arts & Community

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

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

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

<p>March 3-April 7 TAKE CHARGE OF YOUR HEALTH 1-3:30 p.m. The Dallas Area Agency on Aging will present a six-week workshop on Thursdays on how to take charge of on-going health issues. Topics will cover dealing with pain, depression, arthritis, heart disease, other health concerns, use of medication, healthy eating, exercise, working with health care providers, problem solving and developing action plans. Limited to 16 people. Call 972-744-7800 to register. No fee.</p>	<p>March 9 JACKSON POLLACK: BLIND SPOT 10:30 a.m. This has been called a "once in a lifetime" exhibition. Dallas is the third major U.S. exhibition to focus solely on Jackson Pollack, hailed as "the greatest painter this country has ever produced." The van will leave the Center at 10:30 a.m. and return around 4:30 p.m. Lunch is available at the Buffet Café. Register over the phone with a credit card at 972-744-7800 or at the Senior Center. \$25</p>	<p>March 9 TRAVEL SHOW 2:30 p.m. Are your travel bags ready? It is time to reveal our travel destinations for 2016. The Senior Center, along with Byron Cain/Heritage Tours, invites you to attend our 2016 Trip Show. Byron will discuss the exciting new destinations planned for you to explore.</p>
<p>March 15 OUT TO LUNCH 10:30 a.m. The Out to Lunch Bunch will go to Spring Creek BBQ. The van will leave the Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. Cost is 50 cents for transportation. Cost of lunch is on your own.</p>	<p>March 26 "SEE IT BEFORE IT'S GONE" 9:30 a.m. Spend a fun day with Rose-Mary Rumbley as she leads us on a tour of Metroplex locations under consideration for major changes. Is it progress or is it losing our architectural heritage? Rose-Mary will tell us the history of the locations that helped shape the Metroplex and will give her special humorous opinion on the matter, as only she can. The van leaves the Senior Center at 9 a.m. and returns at 4:30 p.m. Call 972-744-7800 for more information. \$84.</p>	<p>April 26 JOY DAVIS PRESENTS: THE IMPOSSIBLE DREAM 1 p.m. Actress, author and public speaker Joy Davis will dramatize scenes from "Man of la Mancha." The review will begin with the author Cervantes, and his intent to create the character of Don Quixote and then move on to several of the most dramatic scenes from the play. Magnificent music was written for the play. One of the most memorable is "The Impossible Dream." \$10</p>

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ADULT/GENERAL INTEREST

<p>March 2 FIRST WEDNESDAY BOOK CLUB 7-8:45 p.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "The Boys in the Boat" by Daniel James Brown. Call Tamara Golubski at 972-744-4393 for information.</p>	<p>March 4 COMPUTER CLASS: INTRODUCTION TO POWERPOINT 2010 10 a.m.-noon Basement Training Room. Richardson Library Card needed to register. Call 972-744-4359 for information.</p>	<p>March 5 GARDENING 101 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Basement Training Room. Hosted by Chrissy Cortez-Mathis.</p>	<p>March 5 3D PRINTING WITH 123D DESIGN 2-4 p.m. Basement Program Room. Laptop required. Call Vrena Patrick at 972-744-4376 for more information.</p>
<p>March 5 DEWEY KNIT? KNITTING GROUP FOR ADULTS 2-4 p.m. First Floor Program Room. Call 972-744-4355 for information.</p>	<p>March 7, 14, 21, 28 AARP TAX ASSISTANCE 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Basement Program Room.</p>	<p>March 9 SECOND WEDNESDAY BOOKBABLE 10:30-11:45 a.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "Astonish Me" by Maggie Shipstead. Call Janet Vance at 972-744-4352 for information.</p>	<p>March 15 LUNCHTIME LECTURES 11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Basement Program Room. "Roman Infrastructure and Covered Spaces" presented by Dr. Richard Furlong. Call Vrena Patrick at 972-744-4376 for information.</p>
<p>March 15 RCAS MEETING AND FREE DEMONSTRATION 6:30-8:45 p.m. Basement Program Room. Gail Delger—acrylic collage. Call Ludmila Pospelova at 972-744-4350 for information.</p>	<p>March 16 THIRD WEDNESDAY BOOKBABLE 10:30-noon. Second Floor Conference Room. "Monday, Monday" by Elizabeth Crook. Call Tamara Golubski at 972-744-4393 for information.</p>	<p>March 16 COMMUNITY WRITERS' CRITIQUE GROUP 7-8:45 p.m. Basement Program Room. E-mail WGTcritiqueGroup@gmail.com for information.</p>	<p>March 17 RICHARDSON HISTORICAL & GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY 7-8:30 p.m. "How to Find Your Ancestor's Maiden Name" presented by Don Raney. Basement Program Room. Call Stacey Davis at 972-744-4350 for information.</p>
<p>March 17 REAL READS BOOK CLUB 7:30-8:45 p.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "The Innovators: How a Group of Investors, Hackers, Geniuses and Geeks Created the Digital Revolution" by Walter Isaacson. Call Tamara Golubski at 972-744-4393 for information.</p>	<p>March 18 COMPUTER CLASS: "INTRODUCTION TO MICROSOFT WORD 2010" 10 a.m.-noon. Basement Training Room. Richardson Public Library card needed to register. Call 972-744-4359 for information.</p>	<p>March 21 WRITERS' GUILD OF TEXAS 7-8:30 p.m. Basement Program Room. Call Vrena Patrick at 972-744-4376 for information.</p>	<p>March 22 LUNCHTIME LECTURES 11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Basement Program Room. "Futile Defense" presented by Dr. Richard Furlong. Call Vrena Patrick at 972-744-4376 for information.</p>
<p>March 22 FOURTH TUESDAY BOOKBABLE 7:30-8:45 p.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "Mary Coin" by Marisa Silver. Call Janet Vance at 972-744-4352 for information.</p>	<p>March 27 EASTER SCHEDULE The Library will be closed on Easter. The Library will be open regular hours beginning March 28.</p>	<p>March 29 LUNCHTIME LECTURES 11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Basement Program Room. "Palace Forts" presented by Dr. Richard Furlong. Call Vrena Patrick at 972-744-4376 for information.</p>	

CHILDREN/YOUTH

Please call 972-744-4358 for more information.

<p>March 8-11 SPRING MAKE-CATION The Library has a full week of Spring Break activities planned. See page 12 for a full schedule.</p>	<p>March 19 MOVIE MORNINGS: "MINIONS" 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. First Floor Program Room. For ages 6 and older.</p>	<p>March 24 COOKIES AND COLORING 3:30-5:30 p.m. Basement Program Room.</p>	<p>March 26 TEEN ADVISORY BOARD MEETING 2-4:30 p.m. Basement Program Room.</p>
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Richardson CIVIC CENTER
Upcoming Civic Center Events
Dallas Bridge Tournament March 3-6
www.d16acbl.org/U176
Celebration Lecture Program March 15
www.celebrationmagazine.com
North Dallas Mother of Twins Sale March 19
www.ndmot.org
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Senior's Net seminar
 Seniors' Net holds free monthly seminars on topics affecting the aging population. Seminars are 10 a.m.-noon at 741 S. Sherman St.

March 15 Wills and Estate Planning
 For more information, call 972-234-8880, ext. 118, or visit www.thenetwork.org.

Bridge Festival is March 11

The Richardson Woman's Club Bridge Festival 2016 will be held March 11. Registration begins at 9:15 a.m., followed by a mini bridge lesson at 9:30 a.m. Play is from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. The entry fee is \$28 per person and benefits Richardson Woman's Club philanthropy. Reservations must be made by March 4.

The festival will be held at the Woman's Club, 2005 N. Cliffe Dr. Checks should be made payable to RWC and mailed to Mary Osentowski, 3205 Greenleaf Ct., Garland, TX, 75044. For information, call Osentowski at 972-530-9484 or 214-679-0722

Eisemann Center
 2351 Performance Dr.
www.eisemanncenter.com or 972-744-4650

DALLAS BLACK DANCE THEATRE: DANCING BEYOND BORDERS—NORTH (7:30 p.m. March 4. \$17-\$27. Visit www.dbdt.com.)

"THERESE: THE STORY OF A SOUL" (2 p.m. and 8 p.m. March 5. \$30. Visit www.birthchoicedallas.com)

RICHARDSON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA "Schumann Welcomes Spring" (8 p.m. March 5. \$17-\$87. Visit www.richardsonssymphony.org.)

TEXAS BALLET THEATER PRESENTS "CINDERELLA" (8 p.m. March 11-12, 2 p.m. March 12-13. \$15-\$65. Visit www.texasballettheater.org.)

EISEMANN CENTER PRESENTS: THE QUEBE SISTERS (7:30 p.m. March 12. \$42. Visit www.quebesisters.com) 

PLANO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA "A Tribute to Marvin Hamlisch and the Young Artists." (8 p.m. March 19. \$13-\$85. Visit www.planosymphony.org for tickets.)

"I'M STILL YOUR MAMA" (3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. March 20. \$25-\$40. Visit www.snooprobinson.com)

Program to advise what to expect, how to prepare and how to help in an emergency

An informational program titled "Emergencies in the Richardson Area: what to expect, how to prepare, how to help" will take place Tuesday, March 29 at 7 p.m. in the Richardson Room of the Richardson Civic Center/City Hall.

The program will have a moderator and three panelists who include Richardson's Emergency Management Coordinator Mistie Gardner, a representative from the Richardson Independent School District and a representative from a local volunteer coalition.

The focus of the program is to help residents understand the role of the City and the RISD in preparing for and responding to local emergencies; help

individuals and families to better prepare themselves for emergencies; and provide information about how residents may help their communities before and during emergencies.

In addition to the material presented by the panelists, there will be a question and answer period and a variety of handouts available for members of the audience, covering a wide range of topics.

The program, sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Richardson, is free and open to the public. The Richardson Civic Center/City Hall is located at 411 W. Arapaho Rd.

Safe, quality water provided to residents

The crisis in Flint, Mich., concerning lead in that city's drinking water, has made national news and the City of Richardson has received several inquiries as to the safety of the water available to its residents.

Richardson's water is provided by the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD). The District performs extensive and continuous tests on the water before it leaves their facilities and the City of Richardson tests the water again once it has reached city water lines.

Below are just some of the measures taken by the District and the City to ensure that the water in Richardson is safe and of the highest quality.

- NTMWD continuously monitors water quality to ensure it

meets or exceeds state and federal standards.

- The District conducts more than 250,000 water quality tests per year (average of 685 tests per day).
- NTMWD monitors and tests water coming into its supply and water leaving its facilities for delivery to the cities.
- Richardson's water quality technician conducts water sampling to meet EPA standards that include testing daily chlorine residual in each pumping zone, 100 bacteriological samples monthly, pH and THM/HAA5 samples quarterly, triennial lead and copper samples, and special bacteriological samples for new construction lines.

- There are no lead pipes in the NTMWD water system, however some older homes may still have lead pipes or lead-based solder that could leach lead into the water.
- NTMWD publishes monthly and annual water quality reports that can be found at https://ntmwd.com/water_quality.html.
- Richardson's annual water quality report can be found at www.cor.net/CCR2015.

For information call:
Richardson Water Utilities
 972-744-4228 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday
Richardson maintenance/emergency service
 972-744-4111, 24/7
NTMWD
 972-442-5405 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday

City hosts an intro to JB Sands Wetland Center



The City of Richardson will host a presentation from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 2 featuring an "Introduction to the John Bunker Sands Wetland Center."

The John Bunker Sands (JBS) Wetland Center sits in the middle of a manmade wetland that provides

millions of gallons of additional drinking water to the region while serving as a vital natural habitat for some of our most treasured wildlife in the region.

The free event will be at the Richardson Service Center, 1260 Columbia Dr. and JBS Wetland Center Director John DeFillipo will be the guest speaker. He will cover the following topics:

- State of our current water supply
- History of public/private partnership between John Bunker Sands and the North Texas Municipal Water District
- Current Wetland Center research and educational programs
- An introduction to wildlife at John Bunker Sands Reserve as a spot by sending an e-mail to Michelle Mann at michelle.mann@cor.gov or call 972-744-4228.

Save the Date: 2016 Trash Bash is April 16

This year's Trash Bash will be held from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, April 16 and provide several recycling opportunities. There will be educational booths, refreshments and door prizes inside City Hall, and outside on the Fountain Plaza there will be activities for everyone. The following preliminary list provides a description of what will be available at this year's Trash Bash and drop-off locations.



First United Methodist Church Richardson parking lot

- Electronics recycling
- Document shredding

City Hall parking lot

- Residential cooking oil/grease
- Book drive (books, magazines, CDs, DVDs)
- Free Texas Pure Compost (up to 2.5 cubic feet per resident or five 1-gallon containers; please bring your own containers to take your compost home)
- Clothing and shoe drive (clothing should be gently used and washed, place in plastic bags/sacks, no trash bags please)

Inside City Hall

- Environmental education fair
- Free recycling bags

- Refreshments
- Free plants
- Door prizes

Fountain Plaza

- City and DART vehicles on display
- Animal Shelter adoptable animals
- Entertainment by Just Jazz—classic jazz

Look in next month's edition of *Richardson Today* for updated activities, recycling options and a detailed map. For additional information or questions, please visit www.cor.net/trashbash or call 972-744-4076.

Fix indoor leaks workshop offered to residents March 26

A "Fix Indoor Leaks" workshop will be held Saturday, March 26 from 9-11 a.m. at the Richardson Service Center, 1260 Columbia Dr.

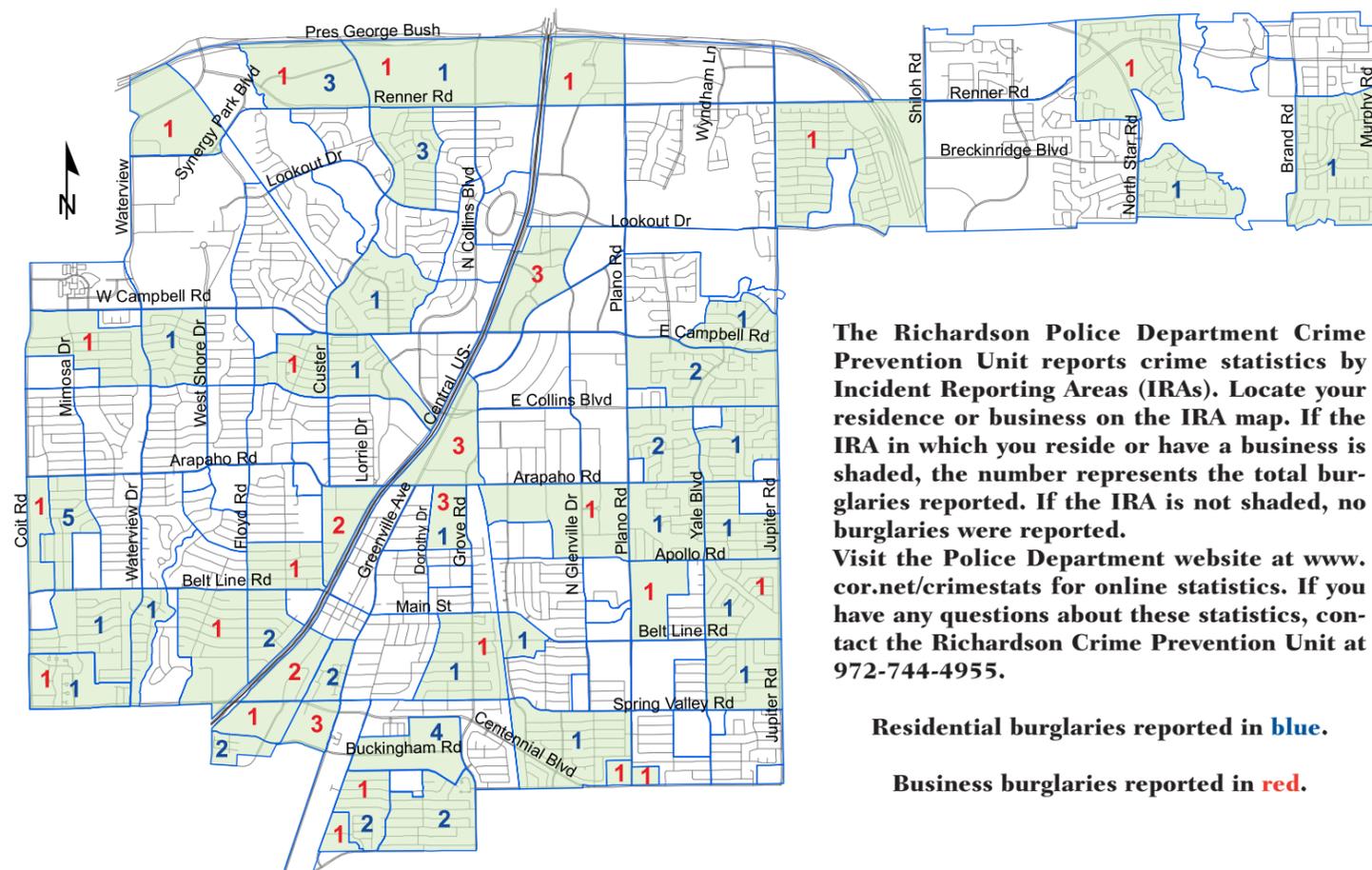
On average, indoor leaks account for 10,000 gallons of water wasted per household, per year! The City of Richardson is providing a workshop to share hands-on, leak fixing advice for your home. Jeff Winstead, a master plumber and vice president of Winstead Plumbing Company, Inc., will share his expertise on how to fix common leaks and upgrade to water efficient fixtures that will save you water and money.

Topics will include:

- Check and fix leaky faucets
- Fix simple toilet leaks
- Install high-efficiency shower heads and faucet aerators
- Information about water heaters

The workshop is free, but please register and submit any pre-questions to Michelle Mann at michelle.mann@cor.gov or call 972-744-4228.

Residential/business burglaries Nov. 16-Feb. 15



The Richardson Police Department Crime Prevention Unit reports crime statistics by Incident Reporting Areas (IRAs). Locate your residence or business on the IRA map. If the IRA in which you reside or have a business is shaded, the number represents the total burglaries reported. If the IRA is not shaded, no burglaries were reported. Visit the Police Department website at www.cor.net/crimestats for online statistics. If you have any questions about these statistics, contact the Richardson Crime Prevention Unit at 972-744-4955.

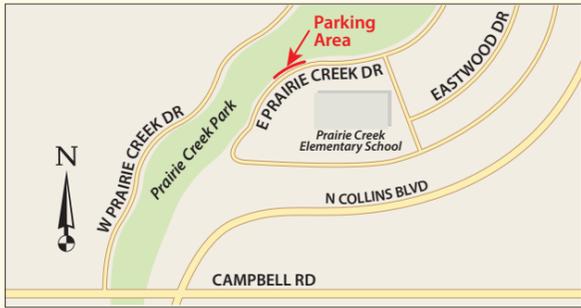
Residential burglaries reported in blue.

Business burglaries reported in red.

Get free leak detection kits March 14-18

Fix a Leak Week in March is an EPA WaterSense program and is a great time for residents to check for water leaks and drips inside the home. One of the largest water wasters is a leaking toilet. Did you know that toilet leaks could waste more than 200 gallons of water a day? Although you can usually hear a running toilet, some toilet leaks are silent. To detect a silent leak, pick up a FREE leak detection tablet pack during regular hours at the following locations **March 14-18**.

- **City Hall**
411 W. Arapaho Rd. Suite 101
- **Service Center**
1260 Columbia Dr.
- **Heights Rec Center**
711 W. Arapaho Rd.
- **Huffhines Rec Center**
200 N. Plano Rd.
- **Senior Citizens Center**
820 W. Arapaho Rd.



Urban Naturalist walks continue in 2016

The upcoming schedule of Urban Naturalist contains four walks at Breckinridge Park, Prairie Creek Park Discovery Point and the Spring Creek Nature Area. The walks are \$5 for adults 18 and older plus \$2 for non-residents, with the exception of the Animal Architecture walk, which is \$5 for youth age 17 and under accompanied by an adult at no additional charge. Preregister by calling Heights Recreation Center (972-744-7850) or Huffhines Recreation Center (972-744-7881) or going to www.cor.net/parksonline. No drinking fountains or restrooms are available in the areas where these 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. 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, the Galatyn Plaza fountain for the Spring Creek Nature Area walks and along the street at 2105 East Prairie Creek Drive for the Prairie Creek Park Discovery Point walks.

areas of Breckinridge Park as Harrison explains what we see today and how it relates to past events. Naturalists of all ages will enjoy this walk. Please bring a small magnifying glass if you have one for more detailed observations.

Saturday, March 12, 8:30-10:30 a.m.,
25 participants, Course Number: 89124

ANIMAL ARCHITECTURE & UNIQUE HOMES

It is truly amazing how the wild creatures in our natural areas are so innovative with their building techniques for providing shelter and food. This unique program will be presented to our younger Richardson Urban Naturalists by Sandy Penz and will include interactive opportunities with animal architecture present in the natural environment. The walk will take place at Discovery Point, an outdoor educational area in Prairie Creek Park. Some walking in the park should be anticipated. The program is limited to young naturalists under age 17 at \$5 each. Please note that children must be accompanied by a non-paying adult.

Saturday, March 19, 8:30-10:30 a.m.,
25 participants, Course Number: 89124

EARLY HISTORY OF NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS

What a storied past our region of North Central Texas possesses from the formative years of the Blackland Prai-

rie to the settlement of our area. Ernie Stokely will take us on a walking tour of Spring Creek Nature Area and peel back the layers of time to give us a glimpse of what life was like centuries ago. We will also gain an understanding of the Native American influences and why this area may have been chosen by early settlers. This is a fully accessible walk and one that all ages will enjoy.

Saturday, March 26, 8:30-10:30 a.m.,
25 participants, Course Number: 89123

BUTTERFLIES OF NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS

North Central Texas is blessed with many beautiful and unique species of butterflies whose beauty graces our outdoors. Becky Rader will describe which of these butterfly species are year-round residents and which migrate through. Each species is unique in its own way and special emphasis will be given to the Monarch butterfly and Richardson's efforts to help support and sustain a healthy Monarch population. Monarchs migrate through our area twice a year and we hope to experience the spring migration on this walk as the species is moving from wintering in Central Mexico on its way north. Rader will help us understand what you can do to your own landscape to help support a healthy environment for butterflies. All ages will enjoy this walk at Breckinridge Park.

Saturday, April 2, 8:30-10:30 a.m.,
25 participants, Course Number: 89125

THE GEOLOGY AND FOSSILS OF NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS

The world around North Central Texas was much different thousands of years ago, and those conditions shaped the way we live today. Geologist Conrad Harrison will take us on a journey back in time to understand how our soils formed and identify fossils that are present in our region. We will visit the creek banks as well as the upland

Sherrill Park

Sherrill Park is in great shape and now is a good time to check out the newly renovated Course 1. New greens have been installed on all 18 holes, with the location, shape and contour of a handful of greens also changed. Work was also carried out on bunkers and 113 new trees were planted throughout the course.

Ladies Golf League

The Sherrill Park Ladies Golf League is open to women with golf experience. Members play Tuesday mornings from March to October. For information, contact Nancy Stubbs (972-669-8909) or Kathy Hill (214-803-2166).

Sherrill Park is located at 2001 E. Lookout Dr. For information call 972-234-1416 or visit www.sherrillparkgolf.com.

Huffhines Tennis Center

Lessons for juniors and adults are available at the Huffhines Tennis Center. Group lessons are available in three-week blocks for \$60-\$108, depending on age and skill level. Private lessons are also available in 30 minute or one hour blocks.

The Huffhines Tennis Center is a 10-court lighted facility located in the southeast corner of Huffhines Park at 1601 Syracuse Dr. Fees are \$3 per person for 1 1/2 hours. Court reservations may be made by calling 972-744-7870 one day in advance. Preference is given to residents when there are numerous scheduling requests. A fully stocked pro shop, including racket stringing facilities, is available at the center.

Visit www.cor.net/tennis for more information.

NOW HIRING!

The City of Richardson Parks and Recreation Department is looking for some enthusiastic people to join its team! This is shaping up to be a busy year, and there will be a need for the following part-time and seasonal jobs:

- Pool Managers/Assistant Managers
- Lifeguards
- Swim Instructors/Team Coaches
- Cashiers
- Camp Directors/Counselors
- Gymnastics Coaches/Instructors
- Recreation Support Technicians



Hourly pay rates are highly competitive. Applications may be filled out online at www.cor.net/jobs. Call 972-744-7855 for information on camp jobs, 972-744-7892 for aquatic jobs, and 972-744-7860 for gymnastics jobs.



2016 STUDENT ART CONTEST

PICASSO PORTRAITS

The contest is open to all students in kindergarten-6th grade.

Wildflower! will provide 12-inch square white poster boards. All entries must be designed on these poster boards ONLY so they are uniform in size and will fit our display walls at the Festival.

Use colored pencils, crayons, markers or paints to cover your whole poster board with lots of detail and color.

Securely attach your entry form on the back of the poster board.

Ribbons will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, 3rd and Honorable Mention in EACH grade level.

Ribbon winner names and their art work will be posted on the Wildflower! website by May 13.

Winning art work will be displayed in the Kidz Korner throughout the Festival weekend, May 20-22.

Entries must be picked up from the Community Events Office the week of May 30-June 3.

For more information, where to obtain entry forms or where to pick up an entry poster board, e-mail Suzanne.Etman@cor.gov or call, 972-744-4584.

www.facebook.com/WildflowerFestival

Wildflower! ARTS AND MUSIC FESTIVAL

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 7. 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 7 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 TBA. Cost is \$50 with membership; \$53 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 Feb. 1. 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.

iPad Instruction 101

Learn how an iPad will make your PC information portable and convenient. Bring your iPad to class Monday, March 7 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, March 7 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Cost is \$60 with a membership; \$63 without a membership.

iPhone 101

A beginner's class to learn the basics of the iPhone. Learn how to set up and use your phone. Bring your iPhone to class Saturday, March 19 from 2-3 p.m. Cost is \$60 with membership, \$63 without membership.

iPhone 102

This class will cover how to use functions and applications of your iPhone. Bring your iPhone to class Saturday, March 19 from 3-4 p.m. Cost is \$60 with membership, \$63 without membership.

NEW!! Learn the Right Way to Sell Your Treasures

Are you thinking of downsizing? Do you know that there are several ways to offer your items online, while keeping it local? This class will show you how to present items for sale on various online list sites that do not involve shipping or handling and no fees. Sign up for a two-hour class and learn easy ways of selling unwanted items for a profit. Bring your laptop with you and let's get started. Classes are held the last Tuesday of the month from 7-9 p.m. Next class is March 29. Cost for class is \$20 with Senior Center membership; \$23 without a membership.

NEW!!

Learn to Ride with Uber

Are you looking for alternate transportation? Do you want to avoid traffic and driving the busy highways? This class will answer: What is Uber transportation? How much does it cost? Where is it available? Is it safe? How do you request the service? How do you request food delivery? You will also learn about other transportation services available through Uber. Class will be held Saturday, March 12, 1:30-3:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 with a Senior Center membership; \$13 without a membership. Please bring your iPhone or Android smart phone to class.

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 March 1. Cost is \$80 with membership. Please call 972-744-7800 for the class supply list.

Oil and Acrylic Painting

A new session of oil painting instruction starts the first Thursday of each month from 1-3 p.m. Beginner and intermediate levels of painters are encouraged to attend. Next session will start March 3. Cost is \$60 for four classes with a membership.

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

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

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 with membership.

NEW!!

"Color My World" No Fee

Coloring books are not just for kids anymore. Come join in the newest craze, coloring for adults. Coloring is reintroducing art as an important component of health and wellness. Spending time coloring and visiting has shown to release stress, promotes creativity and happiness. Color pens, crayons and pictures will be provided or bring your own. A table will be set up with coloring supplies every Thursday from 1-4 p.m. for visiting and coloring. You do not have to stay in the lines!

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:

March 3	8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
March 17	6-10 p.m.

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 session starts March 15, 1-3 p.m. Course fee: \$80 with membership.

Beginner Square Dance

Lessons are Tuesday and Thursday nights from 7-9 p.m. Cost of class is \$7 per person with membership or \$10 a class without 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 with membership; \$10 drop-in fee with membership or \$13 drop-in fee without membership.

Plus Funshop

The second and fourth Monday 7-9 p.m. Club Level Plus Dance. Cost is \$42 per quarter with membership; \$10 drop-in fee with membership or \$13 drop-in fee without membership.

Adult Piano Lessons

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



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 with a membership. 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 with membership. Jan Eby is the instructor.

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 2-4 p.m. The next five-week session begins March 2. Cost is \$50 with membership; \$53 without membership.

NEW!! Mah Jongg Class

Class starts March 7 from 9 a.m.-noon. Class will be held every Monday for six weeks. Cost of session is \$36 with membership; \$39 without membership. Call 972-744-7800 for more information.

Conversational Spanish

Brush up on your Spanish skills by joining our intermediate Spanish class. Some knowledge of the Spanish language is required. Next eight-week class session starts March 4 from 1-2 p.m. Fee: \$48 with membership.

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 Tax Aid Program

AARP's income tax assistance program is Feb. 5-April 15. Volunteers trained by AARP will be here from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. every Friday to assist you with your income tax preparation. No fee. *Please bring your Social Security card with you.

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.

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 2015-16 season. For more information, contact Richard Steffen-Pres., 972-865-9613.

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. May. 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.

Sing-A-Long

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

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

Happy Birthday Party

We celebrate birthdays that are in the seasons of SPRING, SUMMER, FALL or WINTER. Cake and punch is served at 1 p.m. The next celebration is March 28 for birthdays in March, April and May.

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.

Texas Reelers Square Dance

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

Rebel Rousers Square Dance

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

Richardson Public Library

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

Emeritus Plus 50 program at Richland College

Explore lifelong 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/emmeritus.

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 Wednesdays to meet new friends, exercise your mind and have a fun afternoon playing scrabble. Those 16 and over are welcome to participate, ages 12-15 with an adult.

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.

The Richardson Senior Dance

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

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

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

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.

Bingo

Next Bingo is March 17 at 2 p.m.

Tatting

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

Yarn Arts

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

Needleworks

Bring your needlework and join us for a day of friendship and handcrafts. We meet 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 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. (last destination pick up). 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. 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.

Hearing Screening

Zounds Hearing of North Texas will offer free hearing screenings and check hearing aids the first Friday of each month from 1:30-3 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.

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 in February, April, June and August. Please call 972-744-7800 to schedule an appointment for April 1.

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 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.

Health Connection**March 24—10 a.m.—No Fee "Home is the Best Place to Heal"**

Jim Waldorf, founding member of the DFW Durable Medical Equipment Exchange, will discuss the increasing need of medical equipment for those with financial and insurance challenges. He will present valuable information on how to obtain medical equipment or how to donate unused medical equipment.

NEW!! Transitions and**New Beginnings Workshop**

This is a monthly wellness workshop aimed at encouraging personal growth through education and support. Monthly topics will be developed through discussion and research that will encourage new skills and master old ones. Workshops are held the second Saturday of the month from 1:30-4:30 p.m. Cost is \$29 per month. Pre-registration is required. Workshop for March is "Detachment to Worry Less and Be Happy More."

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. 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 March 3.

Volunteer Opportunities

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

Fitness**Private Trainer****How is your balance?**

This personalized fitness program is 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.

NEW!! Silver Punchers

This class is a combination of punching drills and stretch exercises to simultaneously provide an effective cardio workout that will increase your balance, motor skills, eye hand coordination and help you regain the physical strength lost due to inactivity. Class is held Wednesdays at 9 a.m. and taught by certified trainer Jessie Dorsey. \$5 per class with membership.

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. Classes are Wednesdays from 10-11 a.m. Fee is \$4 per class.

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 with membership. 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. Class starts March 2, 9:30 a.m. Class fee is \$25 a month (four classes) with membership.

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 with membership.

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 with membership.

WaterAerobic Classes

Popular instructor Laurie Wilder continues winter WaterAerobic instruction. Classes meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday at J.J. 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) with membership. Call the information line at 972-744-7813 or the Richardson Senior Center at 972-744-7800.

Aerobic Exercise

Renata Racher teaches exercise class Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8:15-9:15 a.m. Class fee is \$2 with a membership.

Pickleball

The Richardson Senior Center Pickleball instruction and play is offered every Friday at Huffhines Recreation Center, 200 N. Plano Rd., 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Fee is \$16 a month (refunds not available) plus membership or \$5 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.

NEW!! Chair Yoga

Chair yoga is a gentle form of yoga that is practiced sitting in a chair. Chair yoga will help you with flexibility, breathing, relaxation and overall physical fitness without the difficulty of getting down or up from the floor. Class is held Mondays from 9-10 a.m. Cost is \$6 per class or \$20 monthly (four classes) with membership. Class starts March 7.

Games**Canasta**

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

Pinocle

Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.

Duplicate Bridge

Wednesday and Friday, 9:30 a.m.

Party Bridge

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

Bunco

Friday, 12:30 p.m.

Scrabble

Saturday, 1:30 p.m.

Cribbage

Tuesday, 10 a.m.

Mah Jongg

Wednesday and Thursday, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Dance Classes at the Senior Center

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

Library

900 Civic Center Dr.

www.richardsonpubliclibrary.com

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3D Printing & 123Design

Adults & Teens

Saturday

March 5

2-4 p.m.

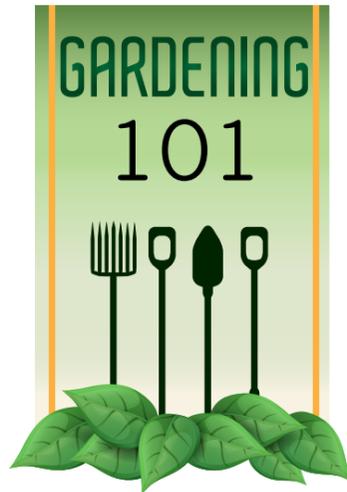
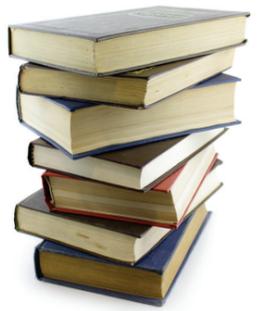
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Basement Program Room No registration required
Call Vrena at 972-744-4376 for more information



The Friends of the Richardson Public Library is holding its spring book sale April 22-24, and it needs your help! The group's mission is to support the Library and to enrich the cultural opportunities available to library users. Proceeds from the sale will help the Library with a variety of needs, including providing funds for special summer programs. If you have books you would like to donate, please call 972-235-7843 for more information.



presented by Award-Winning Master Gardener **Chrissy Cortez-Mathis**

Saturday, March 5 10:30 a.m.-noon

Basement Program Room Adults & Teens welcome

FREE--no registration required

Please contact Vrena at 972-744-4376 for more information

Spring Make-Cation

A week full of presentations, activities, crafts, books and fun, clicking, connecting and learning!

March 8-11

Basement Program Room



Tuesday, March 8

1:30-2:15 p.m. OR 2:45-3:30 p.m.

Ages 7-10 years old
Keith Graves, author and illustrator, visits to read from his books and provide a fun drawing demonstration.



Wednesday, March 9

10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Learn Create Connect

Quercetti Kaleido Gears (for all ages)
LEGOs (best for ages 3 and up)
Snap Circuits Jr (best for ages 8 and up)



Wednesday, March 9

2-4 p.m.

Perot Museum's TECH Truck: Mini Arcade

Ages 9-13 years old
Tinker, learn and experiment by creating a mini arcade.



Thursday, March 10

6-8 p.m.

Mixed Media Workshop; Marbling

Adults and Teens
Basement Program Room
Call 972-744-4374 to register.



Thursday, March 10

2-4 p.m.

Upcycled Instruments
Ages 5-12 years old
Make homemade instruments from items found around the house.



Friday, March 11

2-3:30 p.m.

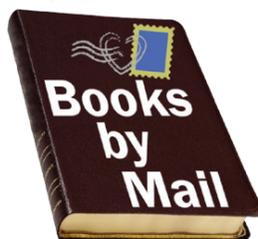
Puppets, Puppets Everywhere!
Ages 5-12 years old
Puppetry Workshop

Spring Make-Cation sponsored by the Friends of Richardson Library

DID YOU KNOW?

The Library offers **Books by Mail** services to **homebound patrons**. This service includes:

- audiobooks
- music CDs
- nonfiction DVDs
- regular books and large print books



Complete the online **Books by Mail** application posted on the Library's website at www.RichardsonPublicLibrary.com under the tab titled "For Adults."

Call 972-744-4393 for more information.

DID YOU KNOW?

YOU CAN

BOOK A LIBRARIAN

Make an appointment for help with:

- finding a good book
- researching a topic
- exploring genealogy
- downloading free ebooks
- plus many other topics

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Lunchtime Lectures

Contemporary **COLOSSAL** Constructions

Presented by **Dr. Richard Furlong, P.E.**

Tuesdays, 11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m.

Adults and Teens
Basement Program Room
No registration required



March 15**Roman Infrastructure & Covered Spaces**



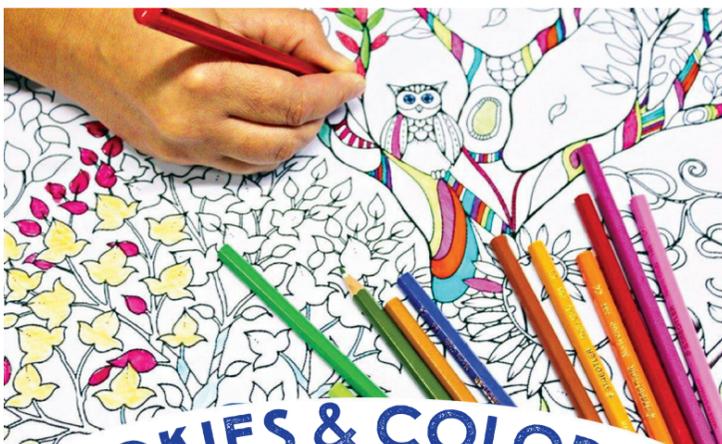
March 22**Futile Defense**

March 29**Palace Forts**

April 5**Transcontinental Railroads & Depots**



You are welcome to bring your lunch. Call 972-744-4376 for more information.



COOKIES & COLORING

for all ages!

No registration required

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

Thursday, March 24 3:30-5:30 p.m.
Basement Program Room

AARP offers FREE Tax Preparation Help

At the Library:

Mondays Through April 18 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

At the Senior Center: (820 Arapaho Rd.)

Fridays Through April 15 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

2015 tax forms in basement: 1040, 1040A, 1040EZ

For low- to moderate-income taxpayers, with an emphasis on Seniors. First-come, first-served. Bring Social Security card, 2014 Tax Return and all pertinent tax forms, including Social Security statements.

