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## Central Trail will connect north to south

By the end of next spring, runners, walkers and cyclists will be able to travel from the north end of Richardson to the south end, without having to leave the trail.

With a 1.9-mile extension now under construction, Central Trail will run from the southern city limit to the Galatyn Woodland Preserve, where it connects with trails through the Spring Creek Nature area. Further trail connections will lead cyclists and pedestrians north to President George Bush Turnpike.

"This is a major piece of a regional trail network, and it's a huge addition to both recreation and transportation in Richardson," said Parks and Recreation Director Michael Massey. "Central Trail is the spine of our trail network in Richardson, connecting with other multi-use trails and neighborhoods in the city, as well as with surrounding communities."

Eventually, Central Trail will connect to trails in Dallas, including the Cottonwood Trail and the White Rock Creek Trail. This interconnectivity for both transportation and recreation is a priority for cities including Richardson, as well as Dallas County, Collin County and the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

Richardson resident and frequent cyclist Marshall Hallberg said he enjoys using trails because it lets him avoid traffic congestion.

"Sometimes using a trail you're cut off from the quickest route, but it is the peaceful route," he said. "I'm looking forward to the Central Trail being extended, because it currently ends about a mile away from my house. It's going to go right in front of my house to Belt Line Road, which I bike down all the time."

The Central Trail project is funded with \$1.4 million from the 2010 Bond Program, \$2.5 million from Dallas County and \$600,000 in Regional Toll Revenue dollars. In addition, Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) is allowing the City to use its right of way for the trail route. The City has also worked with numerous businesses and property owners along the trail route during the design and construction process.

"Without our partners on this project, the trail never could have happened, and we at the City can't thank them enough for their work and cooperation with us," Massey said.

Trails are among the most popular parks and recreation amenities for people in Richardson and across Texas. That was confirmed during surveys conducted for the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan, which was adopted in 2010.

"When we produced the system-wide master plan, trails were rated the highest priority," Massey said. "We responded to that need and that desire from the public by including the Central Trail, as well as trails in several neighborhood parks, in the 2010 Bond Program. Richardson already has more than 40 miles of trails, and with the addition of the Central Trail, our community's system will continue to be one of the best, most connected network of trails in North Texas."



The Central Trail extension, now under construction, is a "trails by rails" project, using the Dallas Area Rapid Transit right of way.

## Alamo Drafthouse Cinema opens doors in Richardson

The "Coolest Movie Theatre in the World" opened its Richardson doors last month as the Alamo Drafthouse Cinema held its grand opening at the Richardson Heights Shopping Center, located at the southwest corner of Belt Line Road and US 75.

The 39,000 square foot Richardson location, the first Alamo Drafthouse Cinema in the Metroplex, features seven theaters that range in size from a small room for private parties to a 247-seat theater, the largest in Alamo history. The cinema-eatery includes a wide variety of menu options with made-from-scratch pizzas and burgers, a stand-alone cocktail bar with more than 30 local beers on tap and of course, the movies.

Alamo Drafthouse Cinema shows first-run Hollywood films,

the classics, and limited release films. The iconic theater was founded in 1997 in Austin and developed a passionate fan base by providing more than just a movie, but a total movie experience. Pre-show contests, entertainment, quote-alongs and sing-alongs and creative themes help to enhance the films. But the theater also takes movie watching seriously and has a strict, world-famous ban on texting and talking during films.

It was recently announced that Richardson's Alamo Drafthouse Cinema will host the Dallas Videofest Oct. 9-13. It is the oldest and largest video festival in the United States and is celebrating its 26th year. Find out more about the festival and what Alamo has to offer at drafthouse.com/dfw/richardson.



Fans were ready for the opening of Alamo Drafthouse Cinema.

**Cottonwood Art Festival**

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Currently we are at:

Stage 1 | Stage 2 | Stage 3 | Stage 4

### Stage 3 water restrictions are in effect

The City of Richardson moved to Stage 3 water conservation measures June 1. Stage 3 restrictions allow residents and businesses to irrigate lawns once a week. (See table below.) The implementation of Stage 3 comes at the request of the North Texas Municipal Water District, which is facing critical shortages in its water supply. For additional information about Stage 3, visit the City's website at cor.net or contact the Public Services Department at 972-744-4220 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Stage 3 outdoor irrigation schedule (once a week until further notice)	
Last digit of address	Allowed landscape watering days
2, 4, 6, 8, 0 (even)	Saturdays (no watering between 10 a.m.-6 p.m.)
1, 3, 5, 7, 9 (odd)	Sundays (no watering between 10 a.m.-6 p.m.)

#### I have a hardship and will have difficulty following the Stage 3 guidelines. Who can help me?

In special circumstances, variances can be given. These variances will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the Public Services Director. Please contact the Public Services main line at 972-744-4220.

#### I have an ET/Smart Irrigation system. Do I qualify for a variance in Stage 3?

Variances will not be given to ET/Smart irrigation systems in Stage 3. Those systems need to be set to water only once a week (on their designated water day by address).



#### I see schools and other large green areas watering on days they are not supposed to be. Why?

These large areas have more zones that can't all be watered in one day. They are allowed to water more than one day a week to achieve all their watering, but each area will not be watered more than once a week.

Visit [cor.net/WaterConservation](http://cor.net/WaterConservation) for more information.

## Richardson's 42nd annual Christmas Parade presents "Candy Canes and Christmas Carols" Dec. 7

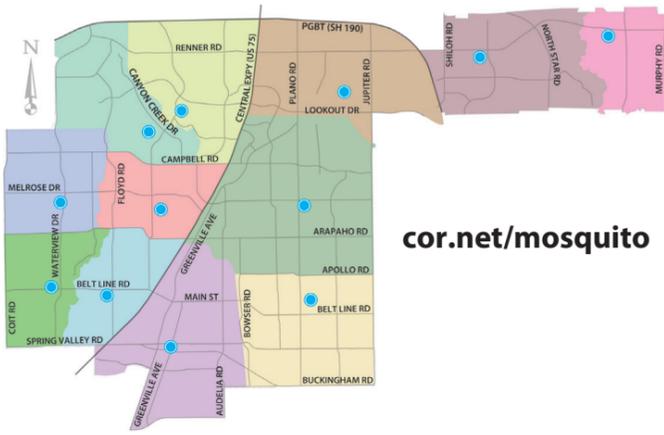
Registration begins Oct. 14

The 42nd Annual Richardson Christmas Parade, produced by the City of Richardson, has been scheduled for Saturday morning, Dec. 7. The theme for this year's parade is "Candy Canes and Christmas Carols." Individuals and groups are encouraged to represent this theme in their costumes, vehicles and floats. Registration may be done online beginning Oct. 14 by going to [cor.net/Parks](http://cor.net/Parks), and clicking on Christmas Parade. Deadline for registration is Nov. 27.

This year the parade will be held on Plano Road. For information regarding the parade, please contact Parade Chairperson Barbara Cottone at [barbara.cottone@cor.gov](mailto:barbara.cottone@cor.gov), or call 972-744-4310.



### Online interactive map provides mosquito information



The City of Richardson map shown can be accessed at [cor.net/mosquito](http://cor.net/mosquito). Click on one of the 12 mosquito management areas to see mosquito trap test results, dates storm drains were sprayed and dates truck-mounted ground spraying was done (if necessary). The blue dots on the map show where mosquito traps are located.

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

### City Council Action

The following is a listing of some of the main items considered by the Richardson City Council at the July 22 and Aug. 12 meetings. Citizens are welcome to attend Council meetings (second and fourth Mondays of each month at 7:30 p.m.) and work sessions (every Monday at 5:30 p.m.). The Richardson City Council 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, [cor.net](http://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 [cor.net](http://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.

#### July 22

Appointments and/or reappointments to the City Plan Commission, Civil Service Board, Environmental Advisory Commission and Parks And Recreation Commission were approved.

**Public Hearing, Zoning File 13-12 and Adoption of Ordinance No. 4013.** Amending the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance of the City of Richardson, by adding the definition of Large Scale Retail Store and by amending Special Permits, to allow Large Scale Retail Stores upon approval of a Special Permit in Non-Residential Zoning Districts, was approved.

#### Aug. 12

##### Consent agenda

**Ordinance No. 4016**, amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Richardson Chapter 6, "Buildings and Building Regulations" Article XI, "Rental Registration," by amending the regulations for rental registration.

**Resolution No. 13-16**, approving the terms and conditions of the 2013 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Funds Sharing and Fiscal Agency Agreement, and authorizing the City Manager to execute said agreement.

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Public green spaces and open play areas make a community attractive, fun and healthy. They give people places to exercise, enjoy the outdoors, play a game of soccer, or to simply have a picnic.

Here in Richardson, we are so fortunate that our Parks and Recreation Department goes beyond the basics. Recreation Centers offer activities for people of all ages, our growing network of trails connects neighborhoods and gives people a place to bike and jog, our pools and Aquatic Center let people swim and cool off during the hot summer months. There's tennis (one of my personal favorites!), gymnastics and golf here in Richardson—really, something for nearly every interest.

But did you know that the Parks and Recreation Department is also responsible for some of our most popular events in Richardson? We're just a month away from our community's longest-running event, the 44th annual Cottonwood Art Festival, which has become known for being the premier fine art festival in our region. Also happening right now is the 16th annual Corporate Challenge, which was created to engage our business community and to encourage wellness at the workplace. Coming up soon is Huffhines Art Trails, and then soon we'll be looking forward to seeing what bands will be coming to *Wildflower!* Richardson's Arts and Music Festival next May.

Through initiatives such as the 2010 Bond Program, our com-



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munity has continued to invest in Richardson's parks and recreation system. Thanks to your support, we have shade structures at ball fields at our newly dedicated Keffler Ballpark, a new Gymnastics Center, a new Heights Recreation Center and a new Heights Family Aquatic Center. We will also soon have miles of new trails, including new ones in several neighborhood parks throughout the community.

So, if you haven't had a chance lately, I hope you have the opportunity to enjoy our award-winning parks and recreation system. It is truly one of the core services our city offers that makes Richardson a family friendly and beautiful community.

Sincerely,

Laura Maczka  
Mayor

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# Sherrill Park Golf Course offers something for everyone



Sherrill Park Course 2

Richardson's Sherrill Park Golf Course not only offers players two highly ranked, reasonably priced 18-hole courses, but because of the longevity of the pro shop personnel, it is also a place where "everyone knows your name." For the weekend golfer, it does not get any better than that.

Ronny Glanton has been the Head Golf Pro at Sherrill Park since 1985 and began his career at the course as an assistant pro in 1982. The assistant golf professionals on staff have more than 35 years of tenure at Sherrill Park, and Course Superintendent Steve Greenhaw has directed maintenance

on the course for almost 25 years.

"The team we have in place at Sherrill Park takes great pride in the work they do," Glanton said. "We want to provide a quality course and quality service that results in an enjoyable golfing experience for not just our regular players but for first-time visitors as well."

Glanton also credits the Richardson City Councils that have committed their support to the course over the years. More than \$8 million in bond funds have been designated for course improvements. From 1995 to 2001, both

18-hole courses were completely redesigned, and a new clubhouse was built that includes the pro shop and the full-service grill and snack bar. The previous clubhouse was remodeled into a tournament pavilion, upgrades to the parking lot have been made, a hike and bike trail now runs through the courses, and a new entry feature was built. Future plans call for the renovation of greens on Course 1 in 2015.

The enhancements helped Sherrill Park's Course 1 to secure the top spot in *The Dallas Morning News'* annual rankings of public access courses in Texas in 2011 and 2012. Course 2 also received top 10 rankings in both 2011 and 2012.

Richardson residents don't just have two quality courses close to home at Sherrill Park, they also get the first choice of weekend tee times and can purchase a "punch card" for discounted green fees.

"The Richardson City Council stressed the importance of making tee times available to the local residents," Glanton said. "If you live in Richardson, you can come

out to the Sherrill Park clubhouse every Tuesday at noon and enter a drawing for Saturday and Sunday tee times. We have also launched a new website that offers some great features and also allows golfers to reserve weekday tee times online up to a week in advance."

Sherrill Park's "punch card" program offers special prices for residents and seniors (ages 60 and over). The senior resident punch card is good for weekdays only and costs \$108.25. The Course 1 punch amount is \$10.83 and the Course 2 punch amount is \$8.19. The resident punch card is good for weekdays, weekends and holidays and costs \$216.50. The Course 1 punch amount is \$21.65, and the Course 2 punch amount is

\$16.24. The punch card prices do not include cart fee. You can purchase one at the pro shop.

Sherrill Park's fees are structured so that a round of golf is affordable for anyone who wants to play the game. The teaching professionals at the course offer numerous instructional programs and lessons for golfers of all ages and skill levels including: private lessons; golf clinics for beginner and intermediate men, women and senior players; the "Hawks" junior golf team, and summer junior golf camps.

The Sherrill Park Golf Course is located at 2001 E. Lookout Dr. in Richardson. For more information visit [SherrillParkGolf.com](http://SherrillParkGolf.com) or call the pro shop at 972-234-1416.

## Course 2 Green Fee Specials!

WEEKDAY TWILIGHT FEE	WEEKEND TWILIGHT FEE	SENIOR GREEN FEE
Starts at 11:30 a.m. \$25 w/ cart	Starts at 11:30 a.m. \$27 w/ cart	Mon.-Fri. \$25 w/ cart
WEEKDAY \$29 w/ cart	WEEKEND \$39 w/ cart	

Valid to Dec. 31, 2013

## City pools create cool fun in the sun



Heights Family Aquatic Center

Summer was a little more fun than usual in Richardson this year, as the City opened its first aquatic facility in decades.

Heights Family Aquatic Center includes new, modern water elements such as a tot pool, a double-tube slide, a zero-entry pool, a splash playground, a current channel and a vortex pool. It replaced Arap-

aho Pool, which had served the community for about 50 years but was due for an upgrade. Richardson also has four public pools located throughout the city.

Throughout the summer, thousands of residents and non-residents have gone to the pools and the Aquatic Center to cool off from the heat, to take swim lessons and to spend time with friends and family.

"From the day we opened in July, it's been busy out there," said Chris Cottone, Richardson's Athletics and Aquatics Manager. "The amenities that we included at the Aquatic Center are the types of activities that people want now in a public aquatic facility, so it hasn't surprised us a bit how well received it has been."

Richardson followed recommendations of the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan to build Heights Family Aquatic Center. The master plan also recommends constructing a splash pad and a similar neighborhood family aquatic center in the northeastern part of Richardson, as well as an indoor aquatics facility, but funding for those projects has not yet been identified.

## Cupcakes to line dancing, rec centers have it all



Heights Recreation Center Gymnasium

Where can you find cupcake decorating classes, line dancing lessons, personal training, basketball clinics and art classes, all under one roof? Richardson's two recreation centers are home to a wide variety of classes and activities, geared toward serving people of all ages.

This May, the City opened the new Heights Recreation Center, allowing for even more classroom, fitness and athletics space. Its space and amenities are comparable to Huffhines Recreation Center, which opened in 2009.

"We've got two great facilities, and how frequently they're used shows how much the community loves Richardson's recreation centers," said Superintendent of Recreation Gary Zimmerman.

In addition to the popular workout facilities and gymnasiums, the recreation centers house dozens of classes for people of all ages each week. They include martial arts, fitness, art, music, sports, dance,

drama and educational classes. (To see class listings online, visit [cor.net/parksonline](http://cor.net/parksonline).)

"The recreation center managers work closely with instructors to come up with a variety of classes that will appeal to just about everybody," Zimmerman said. "What's offered is constantly changing so we can provide residents with the classes they want and will enjoy."

As with most cities, Richardson residents are able to buy annual memberships for less than non-residents must pay. But Richardson also offers discounted fees to people who work in the city.

"This is part of our overall corporate recreation strategy and is a true benefit to the employees who work in Richardson," said Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation Robbie Hazelbaker. "Not only do you get a resident discount on your membership, but our recreation centers are convenient for you to use before or after work, or even during your lunch hour."

## Richardson provides a variety of events

Tens of thousands of people flock to Richardson each May for a weekend of concerts, art, food and fun at *Wildflower!* Richardson's Arts & Music Festival. The music ends after three days, but for event planners in the Parks and Recreation Department, the festival is a year-round process.

Robbie Hazelbaker, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation, works on *Wildflower!* almost every day of the year, from debriefing various City departments after an event to meeting with sponsors to make plans for the next festival. All of this takes place as he's helping plan other major events, which include the Cottonwood Art Festival, Family Fourth Celebration, Huffhines Art Trails, Corporate



Huffhines Art Trails

Challenge, the Christmas Parade and Santa's Village.

"We usually are planning ahead six months at a minimum," he said. "We also do a follow-up of every event to see if there is going to be anything we might want to tweak a little bit."

In August alone, Hazelbaker helped launch Corporate Challenge and worked on plans for the upcoming Cottonwood Art Festival and Huffhines Art Trails. He also began discussing details for Santa's Village, all while chipping away at his workload for next year's *Wildflower!* Festival.

Hazelbaker works closely with other planners in the Parks and Recreation Department to carefully review past events to improve

them the next time around. They use meetings, surveys and other methods to gather feedback and ideas from all involved.

Planning some of the biggest events in the area takes a lot of work, and the Community Events staff that includes Serri Ayers, Geoff Fairchild, Suzanne Etman, Lauren Greenhaw and Martha Nations help to make sure the City shines in front of a large audience, Hazelbaker said.

"When we have a festival we're really showing off who we are, and we're showcasing the hard working staff as well," he said. "Richardson is such a great place to live because there is typically a different event every couple of months that is family-oriented."

### Community Events in Richardson

Cottonwood Art Festival: Oct. 5-6

Huffhines Art Trails: Oct. 26-27

Christmas Parade: Dec. 7

Santa's Village: Dec. 7-8, 12-15 and 19-22

Cottonwood Art Festival: May 3-4, 2014

Wildflower! Festival: May 16-18, 2014

Family 4th Celebration: July 4, 2014



Dance Recital at Huffhines Recreation Center

## National Voter Registration Day will be celebrated Sept. 24

Several organizations will celebrate National Voter Registration Day on Tuesday, Sept. 24, to encourage Americans to exercise their right to vote.

In Texas, voters may download an application online at [VoteTexas.gov](http://VoteTexas.gov) that may be filled out, printed and mailed to your county's voter registrar. Voter registration applications are also available at City Hall in the City Secretary's office.

Effective immediately, Texas voters will have to present one of the following forms of valid photo ID when voting in person:

- Texas driver license issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS)
  - Texas Election Identification Certificate issued by DPS
  - Texas personal identification card issued by DPS
  - Texas concealed handgun license issued by DPS
  - U.S. military identification card containing your photograph
  - U.S. citizenship certificate containing your photograph
  - U.S. passport
- With the exception of the U.S. citizenship certificate, the ID must be current or have expired no more than 60 days before

being presented for voter qualification at the polling place.

Several exemptions to the photo ID requirement apply, including disability, a consistent religious objection to being photographed, and certain natural disasters that prevent a voter from having a valid form of photo ID.

For more information, visit [VoteTexas.gov](http://VoteTexas.gov), or contact the Dallas County Elections office at 214-819-6389 or the Collin County Elections Administrator at 972-424-1460 ext. 1990. You may also contact the Richardson City Secretary's office at 972-744-4290 or visit [cor.net/Elections](http://cor.net/Elections).

## Gymnasts now have a home to call their own

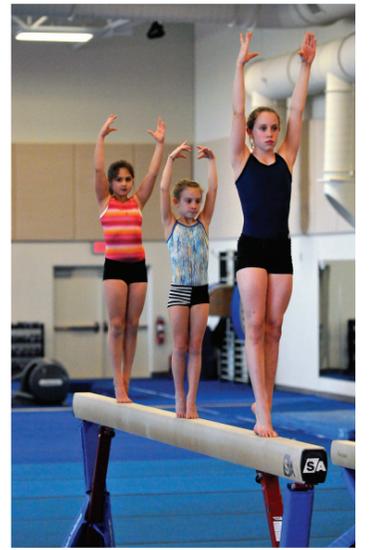
For Megan Fenton, a routine day on the job involves flips, tumbling and flying through the air. As the manager at the Richardson Gymnastics Center, she helps students from 2 years old through high school learn how to safely master everything from the balance beam to the trampoline.

The popular program recently moved from the Heights Recreation Center to the new freestanding Gymnastics Center, which opened in January, giving the athletes more space and equipment to learn new skills.

"It's really improved the program, because the new facility is laid out in a way that we can make better use of our space," Fenton said. "We were able to increase our occupancy and get in more classes per hour."

The 16,000-square-foot building at the corner of Arapaho and Grove roads was funded through the 2010 Bond Program. On weekday mornings and early afternoons it is full of preschoolers just learning the sport, while members of the City of Richardson gymnastics team practice for competition later in the day.

The facility also hosts special events, such as private birthday parties and the Friday Night Fun, a weekly event that opens some of the equipment for supervised play for children not necessarily enrolled in the gymnastics program.



Fenton believes that all children can benefit from the skills taught daily at the Gymnastics Center, even as they develop an interest in other activities.

"Gymnastics is such a good starter sport for boys and girls," Fenton said. "They get to learn coordination, agility, strength and speed, even if they're not going to compete in the sport. It gives a great base for almost every other sport."



## City Council set to vote on 2013-2014 Budget Sept. 9

The Richardson City Council is expected to formally approve the 2013-2014 Budget and the proposed tax rate of \$0.63516 per \$100 of assessed valuation, unchanged from the 2012-2013 rate, at a public meeting Sept. 9 in the City Council Chambers at City Hall.

The final public meeting in this year's budget process is open to the public and will begin at 7:30 p.m. In addition, as part of the City Council's Transparency Initiative goals, the meeting will be broadcast live on the City website, [www.cor.net](http://www.cor.net), and on the City cable TV station (channel 16 on Time Warner and channel 99 on AT&T U-Verse). All budget documents are available online at [cor.net/budget](http://cor.net/budget).

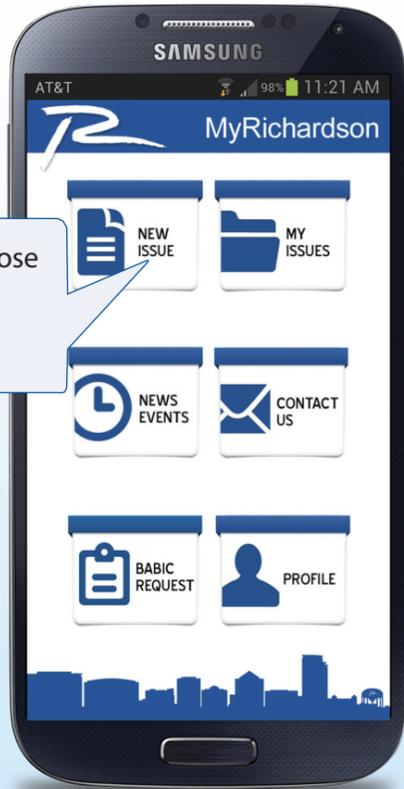
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2. Select Animal Services under the Department listings.
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Learn more at [cor.net/MyRichardson](http://cor.net/MyRichardson)

## Revitalization Award nominations are due Sept. 20

The Richardson City Council created the Community Revitalization Awards in 1994 to recognize owners who have enhanced the community by making significant improvements to their properties. Both residential and non-residential properties are eligible for consideration; 184 properties have been recognized since the program's inception. Because no one knows their neighborhoods better than residents, the City of Richardson is asking the public to identify candidates for the 2013 Community Revitalization Awards.

### What is revitalization?

Revitalization is defined as "imparting new life or vigor." When applied to the built environment of our community, revitalization can take several forms:

- Significant improvements to properties or structures that halt or reverse decline;
- An ongoing high level of maintenance and/or periodic refurbish-

ment of properties or structures that prevents decline;

- Total redevelopment of a property or structure; or
- Infill development—new development on vacant property in a developed area.
- A Community Revitalization Award nomination is evaluated by assessing its individual merit as well as its impact on surrounding properties, or on the City as a whole, if appropriate.
- Has the effort improved the built environment?
- Does the effort contribute to the stability or enhancement of an existing neighborhood or district?
- Does the effort set a desirable precedent for surrounding property owners?

Projects that receive awards typically incorporate at least two of the following elements: landscaping enhancements, building or façade improvements, lighting

enhancements, signage upgrades and/or a consistently high level of general maintenance.

### Nomination process

Nominations may be submitted by anyone, including the property owner, and may be submitted any time throughout the year. The nomination deadline for the 2013 awards is Friday, Sept. 20. Nominations received after Sept. 20 will be held for consideration next year.

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

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

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<http://www.cor.net/index.aspx?page=1829>



The Kazmann residence was one of five residences and three commercial properties recognized by the City of Richardson with a Revitalization Award last year.

# EXPLORE PARKS & RECREATION!



## REC CENTERS

**Heights Recreation Center**  
711 W. Arapaho Rd.  
972-744-7850

- The 25,000 sq. ft. center includes a full-sized gymnasium, a game room, classrooms, multipurpose room and workout rooms.

**Huffhines Recreation Center**  
200 N. Plano Rd.  
972-744-7881

- The 25,000 sq. ft. center includes a full-sized gymnasium, multipurpose area, game room, outdoor classroom area, dedicated preschool area, dance studio with wood sprung floor and workout room.



## TRAILS



- Richardson has more than 40 miles of trails and walkways.
- 13 walking trails.
- Four multiuse trails: Breckinridge, Central, Duck Creek and Spring Creek.
- Multiuse trails are 8-12 feet wide suitable for both pedestrians, rollerblades and bicycles.
- Richardson's interactive trails map allows you to find trails in and around your neighborhood and to map your own route for walking, running or cycling in the city.
- Visit [cor.net/Trails](http://cor.net/Trails) for maps of all the trails.



## GYMNASIUMS



**Richardson Gymnastics Center**  
300 E. Arapaho Rd. • 972-744-7860

- The new Gymnastics Center is designed for everyday classes and training, as well as to host regional and statewide meets.
- More than just gymnasts can use the facility: Private birthday parties and the weekly Friday Night Fun let kids have fun at the Gymnastics Center with supervised play on the equipment.
- Richardson Gymnastics started more than 40 years ago and has grown into a thriving program.

## PARKS



- Richardson has nearly 840 acres of developed parkland, including Sherrill Park Golf Course.
- Most parks have pavilions, which may be reserved for parties or other events.
- Athletic fields at Richardson's parks are used by approximately 192 youth baseball and softball teams.

- Master plans have been developed for Heights Park, Breckinridge Park and Prairie Creek Park to guide future development of each.
- Several new parks have opened in recent years to serve surrounding neighborhoods, including Durham Park, McKamy Spring Park and Ruth Back Toler Park.

## SENIOR CENTER

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

- Offers numerous activities for every interest.
- Health and wellness programs provide free weekly blood pressure checks and monthly presentations.
- Has fully equipped workout room.



- Heights Family Aquatic Center and four pools include a variety of water play areas.
- Swim lessons are offered by age group from 6 months old through advanced swimmers.
- The new Heights Family Aquatic Center includes modern amenities such as a zero-entry pool with splash playground, current channel, vortex pool, instructional water, lap swim, play features for a variety of ages, a double flume slide and shade structures.

## POOLS



## GOLF

**Sherrill Park Golf Course**  
2001 E. Lookout Dr. • 972-234-1416  
[SherrillParkGolf.com](http://SherrillParkGolf.com)

- Two, 18-hole courses with numerous tee boxes.
- Consistently ranked among the top golf courses in the Metroplex.
- PGA instruction available.
- Junior golf program.
- Corporate golf outings and events.



## TENNIS

**Huffhines Tennis Center**  
1601 Syracuse Dr. • 972-744-7870  
[cor.net/Tennis](http://cor.net/Tennis)

- Tennis Center has 10 lighted courts, a fully stocked pro shop and racquet stringing available.
- Lessons, league play and tournament play available.
- There are 22 other tennis courts located in parks throughout the city, and the majority are lighted.



# Calendar

## At the Library

900 Civic Center Dr.  
972-744-4350



The Library will be  
**CLOSED**  
Monday, Sept. 2  
for Labor Day.

### General Interest

#### Richardson Reads One Book Author Lecture

Sept. 10, 7:30 p.m., First United Methodist Church Richardson. Call 972-744-4350 for info about free tickets.

#### RCAS Meeting and Demonstration

Sept. 17, 6:30-8:45 p.m. Basement Program Room. Lynne Hubner, print maker.

#### Richardson Historical & Genealogical Society

Sept. 19, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Basement Program Room. "Bring a Salad" luncheon. "Civil Wars: A Biography of a British Born Wife of an American Slave Owner," presented by Sherry Calvert

#### Literacy Starts @ Birth

Sept. 24, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Basement Program Room. Workshop on early literacy.

#### Book Groups

Registration is requested for all book groups and clubs.

#### First Wednesday Book Club

Sept. 4, 7-8:45 p.m., Second Floor Conference Room. "The Submission" by Amy Waldman. Call 972-744-4376.

#### Second Wednesday BOOKbabble Group

Sept. 11, 10:30-11:45 a.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "Calling Invisible Women" by Jeanne Ray. Call Janet Vance, 972-744-4376.

#### Third Wednesday BOOKbabble Group

Sept. 18, 10:30-11:45 a.m. Second Floor Conference Room.

"Remember Ben Clayton" by Stephen Harrigan. Call Penny Manly, 972-744-4350.

#### Fourth Tuesday BOOKbabble Group

Sept. 24, 7:30-8:45 p.m. Second Floor Conference Room.

"Defending Jacob" by William Landay. Call Janet Vance, 972-744-4376.

#### Computer Classes

Richardson Public Library card needed for required registration. Call 972-744-4361 after 10 a.m. weekdays.

#### Job Searching on the Internet

Sept. 13, 10-11:30 a.m.

#### Internet 101

Sept. 20, 10 a.m.-noon

#### Children's Activities

##### Tales for Tails

Sept. 8, 3-4 p.m. Children's Program Room.

##### Family Storytime

Every Monday, 6:45-7:15 p.m. Children's Program Room. Everyone welcome.

##### It's Elementary! Storytime

Every Tuesday, 4:15-4:45 p.m. Children's Program Room. Grades K-4.

#### Special Interest

**Dewey KNIT?**, an adult knitting program. Sept. 7, 2-4 p.m. First Floor Program Room. Call 972-744-4355 for information.

**Writers' Guild of Texas** Sept. 16, 7-8:30 p.m. Basement Program Room.

#### Community Writers' Critique Group

Sept. 18, 6:30-8:45 p.m. Basement Program Room.

#### Richardson Poets Group Reading

Sept. 22, 3-5 p.m. Basement Program Room.

## At the Senior Center

820 W. Arapaho Rd.  
972-744-7800

### Special Events

#### Out to Lunch Bunch

**Sept. 17—Crossroads Diner**  
Cost for the trip is \$2, payable on the day of the trip, plus the cost of your lunch. Van will leave the Senior Center at 10:45 a.m. Please call 972-744-7800 to save your spot!

#### "The Sounds of Fall"

**Sept. 4—7 p.m.**

Tickets are \$2. Accomplished violinist Lev Kardonsky will perform an evening of popular and classical pieces that will make for a memorable evening. Kardonsky has played the violin since the age of 6 and professionally since the age of 21. He performed for operas, ballets and theaters in the Soviet Union and joined the Fort Worth Symphony and Opera after he arrived in the United States. He has received numerous awards, including the Bicentennial Award and a Grammy nomination. *Time*, *Newsweek*, *Texas Monthly* and The Associated Press have published articles about his career and life. This is a do-not-miss opportunity for you to experience an unforgettable evening of music.

Coffee and dessert will be served after the concert. Please purchase your tickets in advance at the Senior Center or call 972-744-7800 to purchase over the phone.

#### Day Trip to the

##### George W. Bush

##### Presidential Library

##### and Museum at SMU

**Sept. 25—12:15 p.m.**

Tickets are \$13. The George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum offers a look into the decisions and events of the Bush presidency. Visitors to the museum are able to stand in the full-scale replica of the Oval Office and sit behind the Resolute Desk, see a piece of the World Trade Center along with other important artifacts, and view the presidential

archives of the Bush administration. These are just a few of the features that you will be able to enjoy at the museum.

We will leave the Senior Center promptly at 12:15 p.m. for our group entry time of 1 p.m. Lunch will not be provided.

This is a walking trip, so remember to wear comfortable shoes. Purchase your ticket at the Richardson Senior Center or call 972-744-7800 to purchase your ticket over the phone with a credit card.

#### Pre-NNO Event

**Sept. 30—noon-2 p.m.**

Join the Richardson Senior Center and the Richardson Police Department as we celebrate the award-winning National Night Out. We will provide the entertainment, hot dogs and sides, and you bring a dessert. Come for fun and information on how to help fight crime in your neighborhood.

#### Halloween Party

**Oct. 31—1-2:30 p.m.**

No fee. The Red Hatters invite all to an afternoon of ghoulish fun. Come in costume for a costume contest, treats, fun, games, prizes and maybe a trick or two! Bring a treat.

#### Health Connection

##### Flu Shot Clinic

**Sept. 11-12**

Please check page 10 in this edition for more information.

#### Navigate Medical Verbiage

**Sept. 26—10 a.m.**

It can often be difficult to follow conversations related to the aging process. Presbyterian Communities and Services will discuss how to navigate the medical verbiage and abbreviations in health care and help you make sense out of health care vocabulary.

### Travel Opportunities

#### Fall and Winter

##### Trip Meeting

**Sept. 3—1 p.m.**

The Sept. 20-21 Granbury trip, our Christmas trip plans to New Mexico, and your ideas for 2014 travel destinations will be on the agenda for discussion. Bring your questions and ideas.

#### Granbury

**Sept. 20-21**

Departure from the Senior Center, 9 a.m. Sept. 20. Arrival back at the Senior Center, approximately 10:30 p.m. Sept. 21.

**Cost:** \$349 per person for double occupancy, \$392 for single occupancy. Lunch and dinner included.

We will leave the Senior Center by motor coach and travel west to Granbury with cultural and historical commentary along the way.

Once in Granbury, we will take a driving tour of the wonderful period homes and historic sites of the rugged ranch country that the town of Granbury was built on.

We will have a private tour of the Hood County Courthouse, the centerpiece of the town. Then you will have time to explore the area voted "best town square in Texas."

Dinner and seeing the production of "The Promise" will round out your first day.

Overnight accommodations will be at the Best Western close to downtown.

The next day we will learn all about the workings and history of windmills at The Windmill Farm.

Lunch will be at the Grady's Line Camp Steakhouse in the scenic countryside west of Granbury, followed by more shopping and strolling time on the town square.

We will then attend the comedy play "The Man with Pointed Shoes" at the Granbury Theater Company.

Dinner will be in Granbury before we return to Richardson.

## Richardson Civic Organizations

### Special Interest Groups

#### AARP Chapter 1651

972-234-2815

#### Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association

972-690-4075

#### Helping Agencies Serving Richardson

972-239-3501

or <http://hasr.org/about/>

#### League of Women Voters of Richardson

972-470-0584

[lwvrichardson.org](http://lwvrichardson.org)

#### NARFE Eppard Chapter #1273

972-238-8438 or 972-234-6922

#### Plano/Richardson Coin Club

214-287-4817

#### Richardson Humane Society

972-234-5117

#### Richardson Community Band

[richardsoncommunityband.org](http://richardsoncommunityband.org)

#### Richardson-North Dallas Christian Women's Club

972-386-6041

#### Richardson Galaxy American Business Women's Association

214-762-2304

or [abwa-richardson.org](http://abwa-richardson.org)

#### Richardson Poets' Group

214-478-4870 or

[richardsonpoetsgroup@gmail.com](mailto:richardsonpoetsgroup@gmail.com)

#### Richardson Red Hat Chapter

972-744-7800

#### Richardson Retired School Personnel

214-890-6989

#### Richardson Wireless Klub

[k5rwwk.org](http://k5rwwk.org)

#### Dallas Area

##### Parkinsonism Society

972-231-1005

#### National Osteoporosis Foundation Dallas Education and Support Group

214-477-7214

#### Woman's Center in Richardson

972-238-9516

#### Seniors' Net

972-234-8880 ext. 115

or [dchildre@thenetwork.org](mailto:dchildre@thenetwork.org)

#### Civic Groups

##### Altrusa International of Richardson, Inc.

214-476-8248

##### Exchange Club of Richardson

972-680-8613

#### The Junior League of Richardson

[jlrtx.com](http://jlrtx.com)

#### Richardson Central Kiwanis Club

214-739-5610

#### Plano-Richardson Elks Lodge

972-234-2485

#### Richardson Central Rotary

972-690-0637

#### Richardson East Rotary

972-442-5295

#### Richardson Host Lions Club

972-385-3321

or [e-clubhouse.org/sites/RichardsonHost](http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/RichardsonHost)

#### Richardson Kiwanis Club

[richardsonkiwanis.com](http://richardsonkiwanis.com)

or [steagle@sbcglobal.net](mailto:steagle@sbcglobal.net)

#### Richardson Masonic Lodge #1214 A.F.&A.M.

972-235-5667

#### Richardson Rotary

972-690-0637

#### Social Groups

##### Richardson Newcomers and Neighbors Club

972-239-4078, 972-671-8331,

972-239-3977 or 214-226-2887

##### Texas Reelers Square & Round Dance Club

972-235-1400

or [texasreelers.org](http://texasreelers.org)

#### Family Groups

##### Canyon Creek Moms Club

972-690-7609 or

[canyoncreekmomsclub.com](http://canyoncreekmomsclub.com)

##### MOMS Club

##### of Richardson—East

[momsclubrichardsoneast@yahoo.com](mailto:momsclubrichardsoneast@yahoo.com)

##### MOMS Club

##### of Richardson—West

[momsclubrichardsonwest@gmail.com](mailto:momsclubrichardsonwest@gmail.com)

#### Support Groups

##### Dallas Amputee Network

972-470-0505

##### DFW Spondylitis Support Group

[degrowkingsley@gmail.com](mailto:degrowkingsley@gmail.com)

##### Better Breathers Club —

##### American Lung Association

214-916-5120, ext. 5133

or [rohi.puri@fundlrc.com](mailto:rohi.puri@fundlrc.com)

#### Toastmasters Groups

##### Hallelujah High

##### Toastmasters

[vppr@hallehigh.freetoasthost.net](mailto:vppr@hallehigh.freetoasthost.net)

##### Richardson Evening

##### Toastmasters

214-534-0885

##### Richardson Icebreakers

##### Toastmasters

972-387-4709

#### Richardson Noon

##### Toastmasters

469-235-3586

##### Texins Toastmasters

214-566-4086

or [texins.freetoasthost.org](http://texins.freetoasthost.org)

#### Veterans Groups

##### Richardson American Legion Post #368

972-479-1505

##### Richardson VFW Post 8627

972-671-8627

##### Richardson Ladies Auxiliary to VFW Post 8627

972-231-0495

##### Korean War Veterans

972-279-7000

##### North Dallas VFW Memorial Post 3530

972-231-3269

##### WWII Veterans

214-361-6294

##### Military Officers Women's Club

972-644-6871

##### Military Officers Association of America Greater Dallas Chapter

972-437-2345

# Eisemann Center/Cultural Arts/Community Events

## At the Eisemann Center

2351 Performance Dr.

Tickets: 972-744-4650 or [eisemanncenter.com](http://eisemanncenter.com)  
Ticket Office hours: Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m.  
and one hour prior to all ticketed performances.



### Asha for Education presents

*Indian Ocean*  
7:30 p.m. Sept. 6  
Hill Performance Hall  
Tickets: \$25-\$100  
[ashanet.org/dallas](http://ashanet.org/dallas)

### Sastha Tamil Foundation presents

*Valliyin Kaadhal*  
5 p.m. Sept. 7  
Hill Performance Hall  
Tickets: \$10-\$25

### Spectacular Senior Follies

2 p.m. Sept. 12, 13, 14, 15  
7 p.m. Sept. 14  
Hill Performance Hall  
Tickets: \$15-\$50  
[seniorfollies.com](http://seniorfollies.com)

### Youth Ballet of Texas presents

*Ballet Magnificat!*  
*Deliver Us!*  
7 p.m. Sept. 17  
Hill Performance Hall  
Tickets: \$15-\$25  
[balletmagnificat.com](http://balletmagnificat.com)

### Texas Muslim Women's Foundation presents

Islamic Art Revival Series 2013  
10 a.m. Sept. 21  
Bank of America Hall  
Tickets: \$8.50  
[islamicartrevival.com](http://islamicartrevival.com)

### Sci-Tech Discovery Center

"Heroes of Discovery"  
featuring Dale Dougherty  
7 p.m. Sept. 25  
Bank of America Theatre  
Tickets: \$45  
VIP ticket (includes 6 p.m. reception): \$100  
[mindstretchingfun.org](http://mindstretchingfun.org)  
[heroesofdiscovery.org](http://heroesofdiscovery.org)

### EISEMANN CENTER PRESENTS

#### Keyboard Conversations®

"Popular Piano Classics"  
7:30 p.m. Oct. 7  
Bank of America Theatre  
Tickets: \$27-\$32  
[keyboardconversations.com](http://keyboardconversations.com)

#### Rangin Kaman presents

Darius  
9 p.m. Oct. 11  
Hill Performance Hall  
Tickets: \$55-\$100

### EISEMANN CENTER PRESENTS

#### Clint Black

2013 Acoustic Tour  
8 p.m. Oct. 12  
Hill Performance Hall  
Tickets: \$45-\$65  
[clintblack.com](http://clintblack.com)

### EISEMANN CENTER PRESENTS

*Blame it on Valentine, Texas*  
starring Jaston Williams  
8 p.m. Oct. 17, 18, 19  
2 p.m. Oct. 19, 20  
Bank of America Theatre  
Tickets: \$32-\$42

### Entertainment Events, Inc. presents

*Cuff Me*, the unauthorized "Fifty Shades of Grey" musical parody  
7:30 p.m. Oct. 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 29, 30, 31 and Nov. 1, 2  
2 p.m. Oct. 26, 27 and Nov. 2, 3  
Bank of America Theatre  
Tickets: \$45  
[entertainmentevents.com/shows/cuffme.asp](http://entertainmentevents.com/shows/cuffme.asp)

### EISEMANN CENTER PRESENTS

*Beyond Glory*  
starring Stephen Lang  
7:30 p.m. Nov. 7  
Hill Performance Hall  
Tickets: \$32-\$48

### Fellowship Performing Arts presents

C.S. Lewis' *The Screwtape Letters*  
4 p.m. Nov. 9  
8 p.m. Nov. 9  
Hill Performance Hall  
Tickets: \$28-\$89

## "Sister" raises funds for retired nuns

"Sister" came to Richardson to entertain audiences, and she (with help from Eisemann Center patrons) helped retired nuns during the July 9-21 world premiere of "Sister's Summer School Catechism."

Through donations from the audience, more than \$11,500 was raised for retired Ursuline Sisters.

Late Nite Catechism series co-founder and co-author Maripat Donovan started collecting funds after each show throughout its 20-year history, asking audience members across the country to contribute. Donovan was raised Catholic and attended Catholic school, so she has said that she owes nuns for what they taught her.

Actress Nonie Newton-Breen played Sister in the "Summer School Catechism" premiere at the Eisemann Center and was able to present to the Ursuline Sisters one the largest collection of funds raised during an Eisemann Center "Late Nite Catechism" run.

Eisemann Center Managing Director Bruce MacPherson said



Eisemann Center Managing Director Bruce MacPherson presents a check to Ursuline representatives. From left: MacPherson, Sister Margaret Ann Moser of Ursuline Academy of Dallas, "Sister" Nonie Newton-Breen, Sister Lois Castillon of Ursuline Academy of Dallas.

he is pleased that Eisemann Center patrons were so generous and is glad to support the charitable work the "Late Nite Catechism" series does.

"These retired sisters have made such an important contribution to the lives of so many people

across the country, it's fantastic to see a show so deeply rooted in the Catholic faith taking an interest in them," he said. "This is a perfect way for the performing arts and charity to come together, and we're proud to have been a part of this good work for so many years."

## Repertory Theatre announces 2013-14 season

Repertory Company Theatre will celebrate the opening of the 2013-14 season with a special presentation of the outrageous comedy, *Don't Dress for Dinner*. The wildly funny comedy by Marc Camoletti (*Boeing-Boeing*) will be an affair—or three!—to remember.

Bernard's plans for a romantic rendezvous with his mistress are complete with a gourmet caterer and an alibi courtesy of his friend, Robert. But when Bernard's wife learns that Robert will be visiting for the weekend, she decides to stay in town for a surprise tryst of her own, setting the stage for a collision course of hidden identities and outrageous infidelities.

*Don't Dress for Dinner* is the wildly funny sequel to the Broadway hit, *Boeing-Boeing*, which RCT will present in April 2014. *Don't Dress for Dinner* is delicious!

Shows are 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays Sept. 20-29. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors and \$12 for teens.

RCT is located at 650 N. Coit Rd. in Richardson. For tickets, visit [rcttheatre.com](http://rcttheatre.com) or call 972-690-5029.

Future shows include *Clue: The Musical* (Oct. 18-27), *Shrek* (Dec. 6-15), *Love Letters* (Feb. 7-16), Broadway's Best (March 20-23), *Boeing-Boeing* (April 18-



27), *The Producers* (June 20-29), *Into the Woods* (Aug. 15-24). Season tickets are available by calling 972-690-5029.

## Civic Art Society plans 2013-14 events, shows

Richardson Civic Art Society (RCAS) invites all Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex artists to join them for an art-filled season.

Art shows, artist's demonstrations and workshops are organized by RCAS to benefit anyone who wants to participate. Complete information on the events of the 2013-14 season is available online at [richardson-arts.org](http://richardson-arts.org).

The first artist's demonstration will be at the monthly meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 17, at 6:30 p.m. in the Richardson Public Library Basement Program Room. A print making demonstration will be given by Lynne Hubner, a Dallas-area print maker. Lynne is an active lecturer and workshop presenter whose work is exhibited in numerous university and private collections. Lynne is represented by two galleries in Texas and teaches classes at the McKinney Art House.

The first RCAS workshop will be held at the McKinney Art House at 502 N. Kentucky St. in McKinney. Hubner will work with participants in gelatin printmaking on Saturday, Sept. 28. Her work can be seen at [lynnehubnerprints.com](http://lynnehubnerprints.com)



Lynne Hubner

RCAS sponsors six art shows each year with different objectives, from membership shows to area elementary school competitions, to a regional exhibition with prize awards. The first show is a Membership Show at the Richardson Public Library, which will be presented later this fall.

RCAS meets on third Tuesdays of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Richardson Public Library. RCAS is supported in part by the City of Richardson through the Arts Commission.

## HASR Volunteer of the Year Luncheon is Nov. 12

The Helping Agencies Serving Richardson Volunteer of the Year Luncheon will take place Nov. 12 at the Richardson Woman's Club. You may nominate individuals and groups for their service to the community. Contact Jeff Thomas at 972-231-3424 or [jthomas@ymcadallas.org](mailto:jthomas@ymcadallas.org).



### Coming up at the Civic Center

Texas Stamp Dealers  
Sept. 6-7

[TSDAStamps.com](http://TSDAStamps.com)

Dallas Bead Market  
Sept. 7-8

[TheBeadMarket.net](http://TheBeadMarket.net)

Antique Elegance  
Sept. 21-22

[AntiqueEleganceShow.com](http://AntiqueEleganceShow.com)

Accommodates groups  
from 10 to 750  
Call us! 972-744-4090  
411 W. Arapaho Rd.  
Richardson, Texas 75080  
[cor.net/civiccenter](http://cor.net/civiccenter)



Dine Smart, Dine Local deals and information are delivered directly to you by e-mail.

Sign up for special restaurant discounts, coupons, offers and promotions on the Dining Page at [cor.net/dsdl](http://cor.net/dsdl).



## Richardson Woman's Club Special Events & Bridal Open House

Tuesday, Sept. 17  
5:30-7:30 p.m.

You are invited to visit the Richardson Woman's Club facilities and grounds, meet with service providers, and enjoy their samples.

- Caterers (RWC-approved)
- Florists
- Specialty Cakes
- Food Samples & Wine

2005 North Cliffe Dr.  
Richardson, Texas 75082

RSVP: [BillieKSnow@gmail.com](mailto:BillieKSnow@gmail.com)  
972-414-1771

[RichardsonWomansClub.com](http://RichardsonWomansClub.com)

# National Night Out 2013 in Richardson is Oct. 1

National Night Out (NNO) is the premiere celebration of the Neighborhood Watch Program. 2013 marks 30 years of police-community partnership recognition across the nation and in U.S. territories and military installations worldwide. This year also marks the 30th year of the Richardson Police Department's local Neighborhood Watch program, a community-based, self-help program that empowers residents to take control of their neighborhoods in an effort to discourage criminal activity. The goal of both programs is to enhance the quality

of life for citizens within their own communities.

This is the 24th year of NNO participation by the City of Richardson, facilitated by the Richardson Police Department's Crime Prevention Unit. Help celebrate the proud tradition by participating in National Night Out.

**Pre-NNO event**  
**Monday, Sept. 30**  
**noon-2 p.m.**

The Richardson Senior Center at 820 W. Arapaho Rd. will host its traditional NNO event for the older adult community the day before NNO. The Senior Center

will provide hotdogs and sides (you bring a desert). There will be entertainment and door prizes, interspersed with crime prevention and NNO messages.

**National Night Out 2013**  
**Tuesday, Oct. 1**  
**6 p.m.-8 p.m.**

The main event! Officers, dignitaries and VIPs will be riding out to visit residents at their neighborhood block parties throughout Richardson to promote awareness, safety and neighborhood unity. NNO showcases the vital importance of police-community part-

nerships and citizen involvement in the fight to build a safer nation.

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



## Urban conservation classes are offered at AgriLife Center

The Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center will offer several classes in September and October to help residents learn how to better conserve our natural resources.

The AgriLife Center serves all of urban Texas, and the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex in particular. The Center's research and educational programs are focused on urban needs in managing and conserving urban natural resources. The classes listed are provided to residents to help achieve these goals.

Go to the AgriLife Center website to view class descriptions and to register at <http://dallas.tamu.edu/courses>.

### September 2013

**Vegetable Gardening for Fall\***  
Sept. 4  
10 a.m.-noon



**Lawn Care Maintenance\***  
Sept. 17  
10 a.m.-noon

**Landscape Basics\***  
Sept. 17  
6 p.m.-8 p.m.

**Make a Rain Barrel**  
(\$50 class fee)  
Sept. 19  
6 p.m.-8 p.m.

**October 2013**  
**Composting\***  
Oct. 10  
6-8 p.m.

**Controlling your Irrigation Controller\***  
Oct. 15  
6-8 p.m.

**Trees for North Texas\***  
Oct. 17  
6:30-7:30 p.m.

\*Free class  
All classes are held at the Dallas center at 17360 Coit Rd.  
Registration is required for all classes at <http://dallas.tamu.edu/courses>.

## Save the Date!

**Waterwise Landscape Class**  
Oct. 19  
10 a.m.-noon  
Richardson Service Center  
1260 Columbia Dr.

There is a maximum registration of 75 students for this class. The class is free but online registration is required at <http://dallas.tamu.edu/courses>.

For questions or more information contact Michelle Mann at 972-744-4228.

## CFAAA to hold fundraiser

The Richardson Citizens Fire Academy Alumni Association (CFAAA) will host an Applebee's Pancake Breakfast Saturday, Sept. 21 from 8 a.m.-10 a.m. at the Richardson Applebee's location, 1610 E. Belt Line Rd. CFAAA members will serve, and the cost is \$8 per person. Tickets can be purchased in advance from any CFAAA member or at the Richardson Fire Department Administrative Office at 136 N. Greenville Ave.

All proceeds from the event will benefit the Richardson Fire Department Causality Emergency Relief Fund.

## Recycle electronics, shred documents Oct. 12

The Richardson Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association will hold an electronics recycling event and a document shredding event Oct. 12 at the City Hall parking lot from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. There is no charge to drop off items, but donations will be accepted. See the list of electronics below.

- Cell Phones
- GPS Devices
- Calculators
- MP3 Players
- PDA's
- Portable CD & DVD Players
- Calculators
- Desktop Computers
- Laptop Computers
- Computer Speakers
- Computer Components
- Servers
- Keyboards
- CRT & LCD Monitors
- Mice
- Car Amplifiers
- Car Audio Receivers



- Car Audio Speakers
- Headphones
- Home Amplifiers
- Home Audio Receivers
- Home Audio Speakers
- Cable Boxes
- DVD Players
- DVD Recorders
- DVR Cable Boxes
- Multimedia Projectors
- Satellite TV Boxes
- Televisions
- VCRs
- Cameras
- Camcorders
- Digital Cameras
- Non-Disposable Film Cameras
- Copiers
- Fax Machines
- Inkjet Cartridges
- Printers
- Scanners
- Shredders
- Typewriters
- Wired Routers
- Wireless Routers

### Shredding Event

The shredding event will take place 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 12, in the south parking lot at Richardson City Hall/Civic Center, 411 W. Arapaho Rd.

Shredding will be limited to what can fit into a car. There is no charge to drop off items, but donations toward the CFAAA scholarship fund will be accepted. For more information please contact Bruce Murphy at 214-707-1945 or [warriors1959@sbcglobal.net](mailto:warriors1959@sbcglobal.net).

The documents will be destroyed on site, safely and securely.

**Save the Date**  
**Drug Take Back event is Oct. 26**

## Second public meeting to be held Sept. 5 to discuss Twin Rivers/Glenville Land Study

The Parks and Recreation Department is hosting a second public meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, in the Civic Center's Richardson Room to discuss the future of 6.1 acres of land near Glenville Drive and Belt Line Road that is expected to be developed as a park sometime in the future when funds become available. The Twin Rivers Residential Corporation,

which built an independent senior living facility adjacent to the tract, donated the land to the City in 2009.

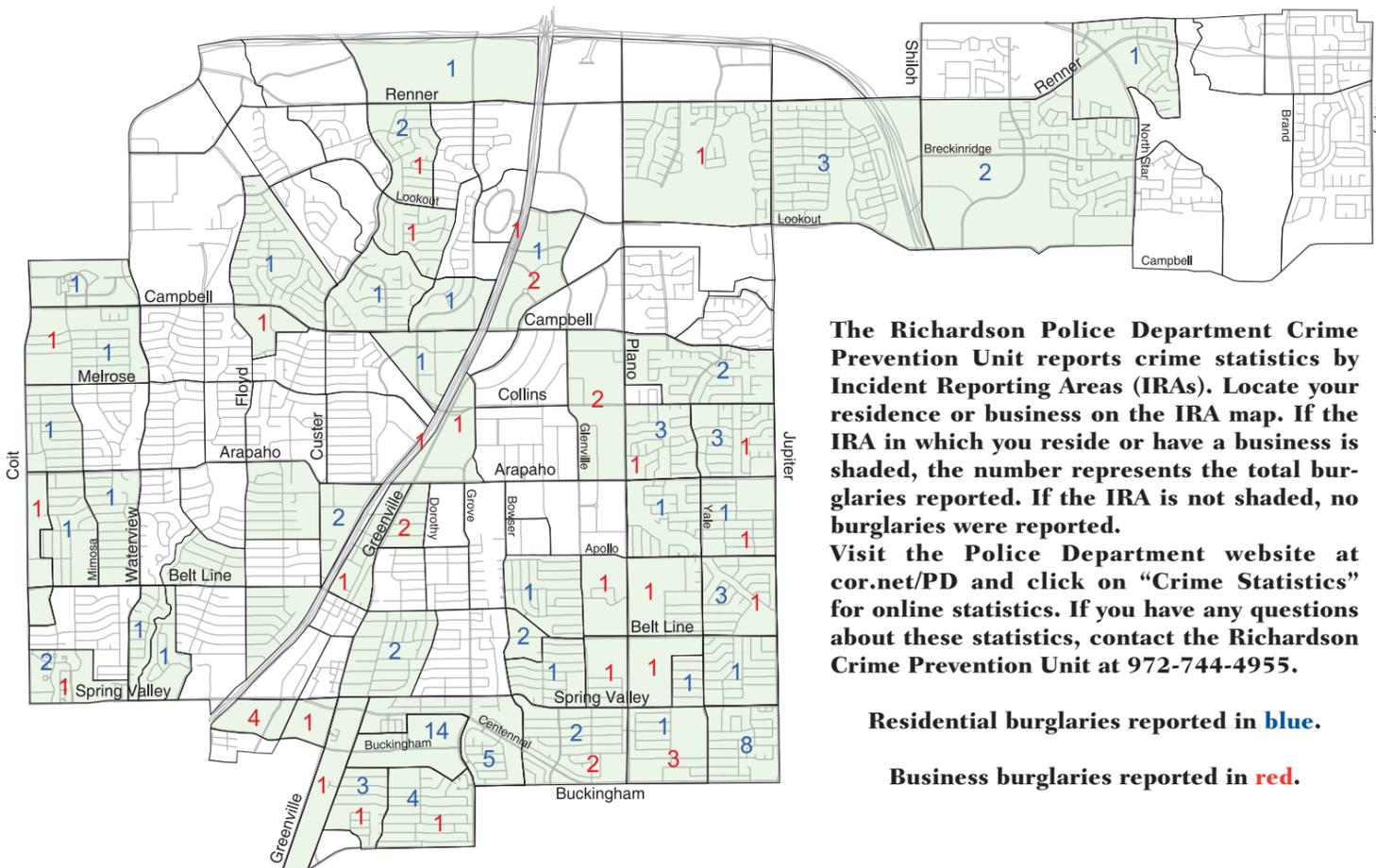
The City will gather input from residents and nearby business owners at the public meeting to help guide planners as they finalize the park concept plan.

The City does not currently have funds to develop the park,

however a concept master plan and cost estimate for future consideration of general obligation bond improvements will help guide future decisions, and the project is expected to become part of the City's overall Capital Improvement Program.

For more information, call 972-744-4300.

## Residential/business burglaries May 16-Aug. 15



972-744-4300

cor.net/parks

Parks & Recreation

# Sherrill Park Golf Course

2001 E. Lookout Dr. 972-234-1416

### Private Lessons

\$90 per hour; \$50 per half hour. Call 972-234-1416 for information.

### Tournaments

Oct. 6—Two-man event  
Nov. 2-3—Richardson Cup Matches

Two award-winning courses, individual and group lessons for seniors, adults and juniors. Open every day but Christmas.



To book tee times and tour both courses, visit [sherrillparkgolf.com](http://sherrillparkgolf.com)

## Course 2 Specials!

WEEKDAY TWILIGHT FEE	WEEKEND TWILIGHT FEE	SENIOR GREEN FEE
Starts at 11:30 a.m. \$25 w/ cart	Starts at 11:30 a.m. \$27 w/ cart	Mon.-Fri. \$25 w/ cart
WEEKDAY	WEEKEND	
\$29 w/ cart	\$39 w/ cart	

*Specials good through Dec. 31, 2013*

## Golf It Up

Sherrill Park's Golf It Up program provides instruction for new golfers through intermediate players with varying levels of skill.

Golf It Up for the beginning and intermediate player includes eight hours of instruction—seven hours on the driving range, chipping and putting green, and one hour on the golf course with your instructor.

### Class dates and times

Mondays, Sept. 9-30	6-8 p.m.	4 weeks	\$140
Wednesdays, Sept. 11-Oct. 2	6-8 p.m.	4 weeks	\$140
Saturdays, Sept. 14-Oct. 5	2-4 p.m.	4 weeks	\$140
Tuesdays, Sept. 24-Oct. 22	6-7:30 p.m.	5 weeks	\$140
Thursdays, Sept. 26-Oct. 17	6-8 p.m.	4 weeks	\$140
Saturdays, Oct. 5-26	2-4 p.m.	4 weeks	\$140

For questions, call Sherrill Park Pro Shop at 972-234-1416, visit [sherrillparkgolf.com](http://sherrillparkgolf.com) or e-mail [spgolf@cor.gov](mailto:spgolf@cor.gov).

# Huffhines Tennis Center

1601 Syracuse Dr. 972-744-7870

### Group Lessons—Adults/Juniors

Sept. 3-20  
Sept. 30-Oct. 18  
Oct. 28-Nov. 15

### Adult Leagues

Sept. 9-Oct. 25  
Sign-up begins two weeks prior.

Cost: \$30

# 16th Corporate Challenge kicks off

The Richardson Corporate Challenge is in full swing, bringing more than 10,000 employees from more than 50 companies together in 10 weeks of Olympic-style competition.

The 16th annual event, sponsored by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas, includes competition in 24 events ranging from athletic sports such as softball, basketball and flag football, to non-athletic contests such as darts, billiards and miniature golf. It is the only one of its kind in Texas.

"Corporate Challenge is something that businesses and employees from throughout Richardson and nearby communities look forward to every year," said Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation Robbie Hazelbaker. "It's a fun event, it gets people active, it develops camaraderie, and it is something unique that we as a city can do to help build a sense of community among our businesses here. Best of all? It's a charitable event,



Employees from more than 50 companies celebrated the Richardson Corporate Challenge Opening Ceremonies Aug. 16.

raising funds for Special Olympics Texas."

Since its inception, the program has raised more than \$1.2 million for Special Olympics Texas.

Companies are divided into five categories based upon the number of employees (the two largest categories are divided into two sub-categories as well), and teams

accumulate points through their performance and their participation.

Opening ceremonies were Aug. 16, and closing ceremonies are scheduled for Friday, Oct. 18. For more information about Corporate Challenge, the companies involved, a schedule of events and results, visit [cor.net/cc](http://cor.net/cc).

## Upcoming Golf Tournaments

**16th annual**  
**NETWORK Golf Classic**  
**honoring Billye Meyer**  
**Friday, Sept. 27**  
**Sherrill Park**  
**\$165 individual or \$600 team**

Four-person scramble, shotgun start at 1 p.m. Fee includes green fees, cart and range balls, lunch (before tournament) and dinner, commemorative golf item(s), goodie bag, individual prizes and team prizes.

NETWORK is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Your participant fee is tax deductible, with the exception of \$50 per golfer. Visit [TheNETWORK.org](http://TheNETWORK.org) or call 972-234-8880.

**26th annual**  
**Richardson Chamber of Commerce Golf Classic**  
**Friday, Oct. 4**  
**Sherrill Park**

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

To register or for sponsorship information, visit [RichardsonChamber.com](http://RichardsonChamber.com) or call 972-792-2800.

Adaptive Event

# PROGRESSIVE DINNER

Look out Dallas, here we come again! Join us for a unique progressive dinner down the DART rail line. We will meet at the Arapaho Station and then make two stops on the rail and eat at different restaurants. Each stop will require a walk to the restaurant. All participants are responsible to buy their own food at each location. No alcoholic beverages may be purchased! Very limited enrollment. You MUST be registered to attend this event with our group!

**Friday, Sept. 20**  
**4:45-11:30 p.m.**

**Arapaho DART Station**  
**Ages 18 and older**

**Registration #75024**  
**[www.cor.net/ParksOnline](http://www.cor.net/ParksOnline)**

FEES	RICHARDSON RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT
WITH DART PASS	\$12	\$14
WITHOUT PASS	\$17	\$19

# Dog Splash Day Thank You

The City of Richardson Animal Services Department and AnimaLuv wish to thank donors, volunteers and City staff for their contributions and efforts in making the fifth annual Dog Splash a success. Hundreds of dogs brought their owners for a dip in Terrace Pool last month, and a great time was had by all. Money raised at the event will benefit animals at the Richardson Animal Shelter.

**Thanks to the following sponsors and volunteers:**

Sunbelt Pools	Williams Allstate Agency	Reunion Title
Fiesta Mart	Bank of America	Corner Bakery
Young Men's Service League	Dollar General	National Charity League (NCL)
Kona Ice	Petco (Buckingham & Plano)	Children's Medical Center

*And special thanks to Ralph Herrick for the countless hours he spent organizing Dog Splash Day.*

## Ninth Annual CITY WIDE PET DAY

BENEFITING THE RICHARDSON ANIMAL SHELTER

**SATURDAY, NOV. 2**  
**10 a.m.-4 p.m.**  
**Owens Farm in Richardson**  
**Plano Road & East Lookout Drive**  
**RICHARDSONANIMALUV.ORG**

**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.

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

**Classes**

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

**AARP Driver Safety Classes**

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 \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members. Reservations may be made by calling 972-744-7800. Please pay the instructor at the time of the class. Classes are held at the Richardson Senior Center:

Sept. 5	8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Sept. 19	6-10 p.m.

**Drug and Alcohol Driving Awareness**

Completion of this course provides attendees with an additional 5 percent discount on their auto liability and collision insurance, good for three years. The course provides information on how alcohol and drugs affect driving and summarizes current laws. Classes are held at the Richardson Senior Center as follows:

Sept. 3 & 5	6-9 p.m.
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Cost for the class with membership: 55 and over, \$15; 54 and under, \$25; without membership: 55 and over, \$18; 54 and under, \$28. Please call 972-744-7800 or e-mail lakesidedriving@yahoo.com to register.

**Defensive Driving for Ticket Dismissal**

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

Sept. 9 & 12	6-9 p.m.
Sept. 14 & 21	1:15-4:15 p.m.
Sept. 23 & 26	6-9 p.m.

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

**Fundamentals of Windows**

Overcome your fear of personal computers and be introduced to the basics of personal computing. You will learn the differences of Windows 7 and 8, Vista and XP. This class will help prepare you for when you are ready to explore other computer programs. Classes are held Mondays from 1-2 p.m. The next four-week session starts Sept. 9. Cost is \$50 with membership; \$53 without membership.

**Learn the Right Way to Sell on eBay**

Learn how to sell on the internet, do research and create listings to attract buyers, enhance listings with better descriptions and monitor sales to know exactly what's working and what's not. The next two-class session will be Sept. 17 and Sept. 24 with a morning class from 9 a.m.-noon and an evening class from 6-9 p.m. Cost for the class is \$50 with membership; \$53 without membership.

**iPhone Instruction 101**

A beginners' class to learn the basics of the iPhone. Learn what the buttons and icons can do for you! Bring your iPhone to class Saturday, Sept. 14 from 10-11 a.m. Cost is \$25 with membership, \$30 without membership.

**iPhone Instruction 102**

This class will cover storing contacts, taking and sending pictures, adding helpful free programs to your iPhone and more. Bring your iPhone and contacts to class Saturday, Sept. 14 from 11 a.m.-noon. Cost is \$25 with membership, \$30 without membership.

**iPad Instruction 101**

Learn how an iPad will make your PC information portable and convenient. Bring your iPad to class Monday, Sept. 9 from 7-8 p.m. Cost of the class is \$60 with membership; \$65 without membership.

**iPad Instruction 102**

This class will cover all of the functions and applications available for your iPad. Bring your iPad to class Monday, Sept. 9 from 8-9 p.m. Cost is \$60 with a membership; \$65 without a membership.

**RECOLLECTIONS**

"Best for Seniors" brings its unique Memory and Mind training course called RECOLLECTIONS to the Senior Center every Thursday at 11 a.m. Learn how and what you remember through creative mental exercises aimed at strengthening your ability to retain and use various types of information. This class has lively discussions, custom-designed worksheets and excellent instruction in an atmosphere of fellowship and lots of FUN! Fee is \$5 per class.

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 welcomed to be accompanied by a caregiver or an assistant. Your understanding and cooperation is appreciated.

**All Position Line Square Dance Lessons**

Classes will continue through Dec. 12. Cost: \$85.

**Plus Square Dance**

Classes will continue through Nov. 5. Cost: \$50 per dancer per quarter.

**Friendship Plus**

The second and fourth Monday 7-9 p.m. Club Level plus Dance-\$7 per dancer. **Beginner Square Dance Lessons** will start January 2014.

**Ceramics**

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

**Fun with Oils**

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

**Oil Painting**

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

**Becky Parks Art Lessons**

Monthly classes are designed for all levels of painters and are taught by award-winning local artist Becky Parks. Classes are Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Cost for the class is \$100 per month. Next session begins Sept. 4.

**Adult Piano Lessons**

Dr. Margaret Mulvey Claiborne offers adult piano lessons on a monthly basis. Cost is \$65 per month. Call 972-744-7800 for an appointment.

**Crochet**

Classes are taught Thursdays from 1-3 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.

**Quilt Essentials**

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

**ABC Quilting**

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

**Conversational Spanish**

Brush up on your Spanish skills by joining our intermediate Spanish class. Some knowledge of the Spanish language is required. Call the instructor, Susan Garza, at 214-321-9637 for more details. Next class will start Sept. 19. Class is 10-11 a.m. and runs for eight weeks. Cost is \$48.

**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.

**2013 Flu Shot Clinic**

The Senior Center and Maxim Health Care will provide a flu shot clinic on the following dates and times.

Sept. 11, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Sept. 12, 1-4 p.m.

Medicare will be billed for those with insurance coverage through Medicare Part B and some participating insurers, and not enrolled in a HMO. Medicare Part A participants and those enrolled in a HMO will be charged \$25 for the shot. You MUST present your Medicare card or participating insurance card for Maxim to bill for you. Please call 972-744-7800 to secure your appointment.

**Senior Holiday Bazaar**

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

**Programs**

**Happy Birthday Party**

We 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. Fall birthdays celebrated Sept. 30.

**Needleworks**

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

**Pool Tournaments**

Pool tournaments are every Friday at 1 p.m. with registration beginning at 12:30 p.m.

**Senior Table Tennis**

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

**Senior Bowling League**

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

**Senior Golf League**

The Richardson Senior Golf League is open to men and women 60 years or older playing at all skill levels. The members are divided evenly into four flights. All play is at Sherrill Park on Monday mornings with a shotgun start and alternates between Course 1 and Course 2. The league is for the enjoyment of golf, and several league rules have been adapted to speed up play and increase the pleasure of the game. Please contact Fred Williams, president, 214-537-4914, or Jim White, treasurer, 972-234-6167.

**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 which are for sale. Open to the public.

The crafts pictured were made by Barbara Brewster, who is a long-time crafter at the Robin's Nest.



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972-744-7800

820 W. Arapaho Rd.

Senior Center



**John Sparks, with Online Image Works, offers iPhone Instruction 101 for beginning iPhone users and iPhone Instruction 102 for those ready to learn about all the iPhone can do.**

### Richardson Public Library

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

### The Vintage Dance Club

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

Sept. 7	Gary Lee
Sept. 14	Doc Gibbs
Sept. 28	Bill G Band

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

### Emeritus Plus 50 program at Richland College

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

### Book Club

Come join a lively book discussion group the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 2-3:30 p.m. at the Senior Center. Call 972-744-7800 for information.

### Reelers Square Dance

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

### Sing-A-Long

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

### The Richardson Red Hatters

The Richardson Red Hatters welcome all women to put on their red hats, join the group and have some fun. The Red Hatters hold quarterly meetings the first Monday in February, May, August and November at 11:30 a.m. Bring your own lunch, drinks are provided. Meetings are held at the Richardson Senior Center. Next meeting is Nov. 4. Call 972-744-7800 for more information or questions.

### Chess Club

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

### Password and Mental Aerobics

Monday at 10 a.m.

### Bingo

Bingo anyone? We play the third Thursday of the month at 2 p.m. Prizes... fun... laughter.

### 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.

### 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.

### Tatting

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

### 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.

## Services

### NEW!! iHeart Screening

iHeart Center will be at the Senior Center Sept. 18 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. to provide screening for Peripheral Artery Disease (PAD). Please call 972-744-7800 for an appointment.

### NEW!! Hearing Screening

Zounds Hearing of North Texas will offer free hearing screenings and check hearing aids Sept. 4 from 9-10 a.m. Please call 972-744-7800 for your appointment.

### Chair Massage

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

### City of Richardson

#### Transportation Service

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

### Friendly Visitors

VNA Eldercare provides one-on-one companionship and transportation for seniors who are no longer driving and still living independently. A volunteer can take the client to the grocery, pharmacy or department store. If you would like to help and would rather not drive, we have a telephone reassurance program. Call Nancy Jellinek at 214-689-2209.

### Volunteer Opportunities

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

### Blood Pressure Checks

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

### The Seniors' Net

The Seniors' Net helps seniors in our community to remain as independent as possible in their own homes by providing a variety of services. For more information call Debbie Childre at 972-234-8880. The Seniors' Net "Loaves of Love" program allows seniors residing within the Richardson ISD to shop for free loaves of bread at the NETWORK offices located at 741 S. Sherman St. in Richardson. The program is now open Thursdays and Fridays from 9-11 a.m.

### Benefits Counseling

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

### Counseling Services

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

### RSVP Volunteer Program Help Needed!!!

If you are looking for a way to give back to your community, but do not know where to start, how about becoming a volunteer for the "Richardson Rowdies?" If you are age 55 or older, you are invited to become a "Richardson Rowdies" volunteer. The Rowdies volunteer at various non-profits throughout Dallas and Collin County helping with mail outs, assembling "goodie bags," and other light tasks. The Rowdies meet at the Richardson Senior Center. Transportation is provided by RSVP to and from the volunteer locations. For more information on how to become involved, call Michael Gondran at 214-525-6167.

### The Memory Café

The Senior Center hosts a new FREE program called "The Memory Café" that is designed for both those who suffer from Alzheimer's/dementia and their family/friends. Participants will be able to socialize, share concerns/ideas and learn more about the issues facing those with memory loss and dementia. Memory Café will meet the first Thursday of the month from 10-11 a.m. The next meeting is Sept. 5.

## Fitness

### Aerobic Exercise

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

### Zumba Gold

The new fun fitness rage of Zumba has now been modified to target older participants. Zumba Gold is a fitness program that is geared to active older adults, as well as those just starting their fitness journey. You will learn easy-to-follow moves to zesty music in a party upbeat atmosphere. Classes are held Mondays at 9:30 a.m. Drop in fee is \$5.

### 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 (seniors) and general population by the Cooper Institute.

### Fit For Life—Beginning Strength Training Class

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

### Fit For Life—Intermediate Strength Training Class

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

### Sit and Be Fit

Do you want to gain flexibility and strength, but are unable to participate in an impact exercise class? Join Cooper Institute Certified personal trainer Elaine Hosage for chair exercises designed just for you. Class are held Mondays, 9:30-10:15 a.m. Cost is \$20 a month.

### Hatha Yoga for all Ages

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

### 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.

### 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 Wednesday from 10-11 a.m. Cost is \$4.

### Pilates Class

Learn the basics of Mat Pilates from certified instructor Becky Parks. 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.

### WaterAerobic Classes

Fall sessions are now in progress. Popular instructor Laurie Wilder continues 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).

Please call the information line at 972-744-7813 or the Richardson Senior Center at 972-744-7800.

\*\*\*Due to the renovation of JJ Pearce Natatorium, please call 972 744-7800 to verify location of Sept. 2 water aerobics class.

## 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, 10:30 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.	3-4:30 p.m.	\$3	Kindle
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

# Author to speak at "One Book" lecture Sept. 10

The following is an interview by Librarian Janet Vance with Markus Zusak, author of the 2013 Richardson Reads One Book selection, "The Book Thief."

**Much has been made of the decision to market "The Book Thief" in this country as a young adult (YA) book. What has the teen response been to "The Book Thief," compared with the response from adults?**

I can gauge it best by letters I receive from teenagers. There's something much more raw and honest about a teenage response. The thought I always had when it came out as a YA book in the United States (as opposed to an adult title in most countries) was that many books for teenagers are directed squarely at them—and rightfully so—but I liked the idea that here was one of those books that said, "This is also for you, but you have to come up here to read it."

**We feel lucky to be able to visit with you just before the movie release of "The Book Thief." Have you been involved in making the film? Do you like what you've seen of it?**

I haven't seen the final version of the film, so I can't really say for sure. I didn't write the script, but I did see it and offered a few of my own thoughts.

As far as liking what I've seen, it's really difficult to get a handle on how it's going when you're an

outsider. All I knew while I was on the set (for just under a week) was that everyone was happy. Everyone got along, and that's the best sign that things will turn out OK. The kids playing Liesel and Rudy were just something else, and I can't wait to see them on screen, as hard as it will be for me to watch.

**I've read that a few of the book's war scenes were based on your mother's firsthand recollections. Did you grow up with a heightened awareness of the Holocaust?**

I've never thought of it exactly like that. It's more something you view in hindsight—and I now realize that my mum and dad were both great storytellers. When they told us about growing up in Germany and Austria, it was like a piece of Europe entered our kitchen. You gather these things piece by piece till you get a question like this, and then you accept that you probably did have a heightened sense of a particular history. The Holocaust is as big and awful and chilling as it gets, and I think I'm lucky that my parents were really too young to understand what was going on.

**The book has given me a greater appreciation for accor-**



### Markus Zusak lecture information

**When:** 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10  
**Where:** First United Methodist Church Richardson, 503 N. Central Expressway  
**Tickets:** Free. Call 972-744-4350 or visit the Richardson Public Library  
**More information:** <http://onebook.cor.net>

**dion music. In fact, an accordion player will perform before your community lecture. Why does Hans' love for the instrument play such a prominent role in "The Book Thief"?**

You don't always recognize the many meanings of a certain idea in a book right away, but this one was pretty apparent from the outset. The accordion is a breathing instrument, and I equated that idea with Hans as a giver of life. He brings Liesel to life as well, and the accordion mirrors this. Originally he was going to play the harmonica, but I'd already had a character in a previous book play a harmonica, so it's true in books as it is in everyday life—necessity is the mother of all invention.

**Many involved with planning Richardson Reads One Book are librarians and educators and are softies for books with literacy and love of reading themes. What attracted you to these themes, and what inspired your love of reading?**

It was just the melding of a few different ideas. I'd had an idea for

a story about a girl stealing books in modern-day Sydney, and I thought, "Maybe I should just use that in the book set in Nazi Germany."

Then I thought of the significance of books and words in that time, and it made sense. It's when you have those moments when ideas come together that you know you're close to getting somewhere. In this case, it also gave me the book's title.

As for my own reading, it was inspired by the fact that my parents couldn't speak English when they came to Australia. That made them want to have a lot of books for us so we could be proficient. We had every Dr. Seuss book you can imagine when we were growing up, and I still read those old, falling-apart versions to my own kids now.

**"The Book Thief" pulls off the difficult balance between telling the truth about the horrors of the Holocaust and retaining an atmosphere full of hope. Was this a problem for you as a writer?**

I always knew what I wanted to happen, and when you narrate a book with the voice of Death, tragic things have to happen. The thing is, I always knew Liesel would lose a lot, but she would gain a lot too. There was a great

generosity in many of the surrounding characters, and she was also given many things, despite so much being taken away. At the end of the day, you have to do what's right for the story and hope the rest will take care of itself. As it is, I'm essentially an optimist, and I don't think I could write anything, no matter how despairing, without a trace of hope in it as well.

**What books are you recommending to friends right now?**

I've been recommending John Irving's "A Prayer for Owen Meany." It's a book I've had on my shelf for a very long time, and I finally started it. As I began, I thought, "This is what a novel looks like." It's not frightened to take its time. It doesn't ask patience of the reader—it expects it. And the reader is rewarded for it.

**What is the most important thing about your life as a writer that your fans don't know?**

It's probably the doubt. A lot of people think I just sit down and make it happen, but I battle the demons every day. Most of what I write is terrible, but I'm willing to go back to it, no matter how much I struggled the day before.

If you show up at the desk even when you don't want to, you're a writer. The hardest part of the job is showing up. The best part is writing something you like that you didn't know you were going to come up with when you started the day.

## Poets Group holds reading

The Richardson Poets Group will present its third annual poetry reading on Sunday, Sept. 22, from 3-5 p.m. in the Library's Basement Program Room. Special guest reader will be Michael Helsem, a Dallas poet and painter as well as creator of videos and electronic

music. Featured poets from the Poets Group will be Leigh Allen, Joan Canby, Matt Dalzell, Cornelia Blair, John Wilkinson, Marjorie Rosenfeld and Ken Bell.

The event is free and open to all. Call Janet Vance at 972-744-4376 for info.

## Tales for Tails

For Readers in Grades K-4



Read to real dogs from Heart of Texas Therapy Dogs!

3-4 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 8  
 Children's Program Room

## Family Storytime

Mondays, 6:45-7:15 p.m.  
 Children's Program Room

Geared for children ages 3-7 and their families, featuring stories, rhymes, fingerplays, movement activities and puppets.

No registration required.  
 Do drop in!

Information: 972-744-4358

## It's Elementary!

STORYTIME FOR KIDS  
 IN GRADES K-4

Tuesdays, 4:15-4:45 p.m.  
 Children's Program Room

(Parents, please meet your children at the Program Room door at 4:45 p.m.)

No registration required. Do drop in!



A Teen Opposite Program

Tuesday, Oct. 1  
 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Teens 6th-12th grade  
 Basement Program Room

Play games backwards!  
 Lots of prizes!  
 Run obstacle courses backwards!  
 Group and individual challenges backwards!  
 Join the fun!

For more information, call Youth Services at 972-744-4358.



Romance Tea for Literacy  
 Sunday, Oct. 6, 3-6 p.m.

Renaissance Dallas/  
 Richardson Hotel  
 900 E. Lookout Dr.  
 Richardson, TX 75080



Featured speaker, Cathy Maxwell  
 New York Times bestselling author of "Lyon's Bride"

Individual tickets are only \$35, or you may purchase a table with the author of your choice plus 9 guests for \$360, or the author of your choice and 7 guests for \$280. To purchase tickets go to [bunsandroses.org](http://bunsandroses.org) or call 972-644-5119.

Benefiting the Richardson Adult Literacy Center

## Fall Storytimes

For Richardson residents.  
 Valid Library card required.

Required registration begins  
 Sept. 3. Visit Youth Services  
 or call 972-744-4358.

### Ages 3-6 Storytime

A six-week program for children ages 3-6 filled with stories, puppets, songs and fingerplays. Children must be age 3 by Sept. 1. Children attend Storytime independently. Limit one guest per child—one time only. Program runs Sept. 17-Oct. 23.

Choose one of the following times:  
 Tuesday 3:30-4 p.m.  
 Wednesday 11-11:30 a.m.

### BabySteps

A six-week program for children ages 6 weeks to 12 months accompanied by at least one parent. Designed to assist parents in preparing prewalkers for reading readiness by introducing them to books, stories, rhymes, fingerplays, music, and other early literacy tools. Program runs Sept. 16-Oct. 25.

Choose one of the following times:  
 Monday 6-6:30 p.m. Friday 10:15-10:45 a.m.

### Wiggle Worms

A six-week program for 12-36 month-olds, accompanied by at least one parent. Walking and wiggling toddlers will be introduced to books and reading using stories, fingerplays, rhymes and music. Children must be 12 months old by Sept. 1. Program runs Sept. 16-Oct. 24.

Choose one of the following times:  
 Monday 10:15-10:45 a.m. or 11-11:30 a.m.  
 Thursday 10:15-10:45 a.m., 11-11:30 a.m. or 6:30-7 p.m.



## Literacy Starts @ Birth

A free reading-readiness workshop for parents, caregivers and educators!

Tuesday, Sept. 24  
 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
 Basement Program Room

Learn tips, activities, information and games designed to help you prepare your child (from birth to six years old) for reading readiness.

Please call the Children's Department at 972-744-4358 to reserve a seat.