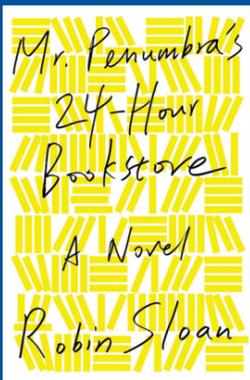


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## Raytheon announces plans for new office complex

Raytheon Company has announced plans to move to a new state-of-the-art office complex to be built at the CityLine development in Richardson.

Raytheon will occupy 489,000 square feet in three buildings located near the intersection of President George Bush Turnpike and North Central Expressway (US 75), and will begin the move in the fourth quarter of 2015, depending on the construction schedule.

"Moving our Garland operations to this state-of-the-art facility in Richardson, Texas, will provide an outstanding modern work environment for our 1,700 employees and visitors and will allow for expansion as our business grows," said Lynn Dugle, president of Raytheon Intelligence, Information and Services. "Our new offices will also help us support the missions of our customers and will better reflect our role as a global technology and innovation leader in such areas as information processing, big data, cyber security and weather data exploitation."

Richardson Mayor Laura Maczka welcomed the company to the city, noting the community's long



Architect rendering of Raytheon Company office complex

history as a home to innovative tech companies.

"We are proud and honored to have Raytheon locating its Intelligence, Information and Services operation in Richardson," said Maczka. "Raytheon's selection of Richardson's Telecom Corridor® area speaks to our community's long-standing reputation as a high-tech hub, our tech-savvy workforce and our ongoing commitment to building an environment for the

world's most innovative companies. We are also excited about this addition to KDC's CityLine project, which is poised to become one of the region's premier mixed-use developments, anchored by outstanding corporate citizens."

"We are pleased to welcome Raytheon, an exceptional company, to the CityLine development," said Toby Grove, president of KDC. "Their new campus facility will complement the entire

CityLine development and enable the company to attract and retain the best possible talent for years to come."

KDC has already begun the initial phase of the 2.3 million-square-foot CityLine mixed-use development with completion scheduled for 2015. The project features dense urban development set in a comfortable and accessible environment.

## Modified Stage 3 restrictions in effect beginning April 1

**No lawn watering from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; twice-per-month watering continues**

The City of Richardson will implement a modified version of its Stage 3 water restriction measures April 1. The modification restricts outdoor irrigation activities from occurring between the hours of 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and continues to allow only twice-per-month lawn watering.

During the winter, lawn watering was allowed during any time of day due to low evaporation rates and increased issues with water freezing on area roads and sidewalks during overnight hours.

In past years the City has been able to alleviate restrictions during

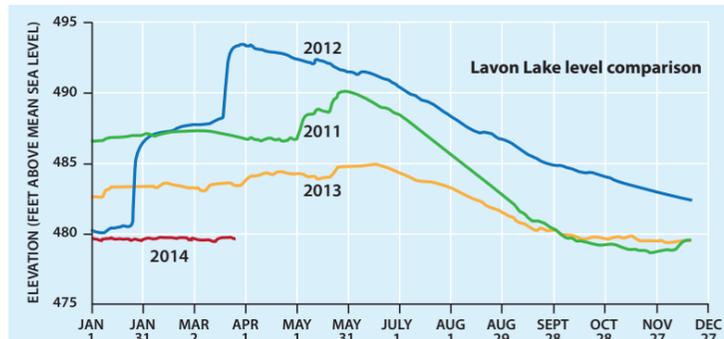
the spring and summer to allow once-per-week watering, but the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) has given direction to all of its member cities to continue only every-other-week watering due to critical shortages in its water supply.

The NTMWD is Richardson's water supplier, and will monitor water supplies through April to determine the level of needed restrictions to take place after April 30.

For more information, call the Public Services Department at 972-744-4220 or visit Richardson's website at cor.net.

The schedule below is based on guidelines approved by the NTMWD:

Stage 3 outdoor irrigation schedule effective April 1 (Twice a month until further notice) No lawn irrigation watering from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.	
Last digit of address	Allowed landscape watering days
2, 4, 6, 8, 0 (even)	1st and 3rd Saturday
1, 3, 5, 7, 9 (odd)	1st and 3rd Sunday



Lavon Lake is at its full reservoir capacity at 492 feet above mean sea level (a standard measurement used for lake levels). You can see current lake levels at [www.ntmwd.com](http://www.ntmwd.com).

## City retains "Triple A" from both Moody's and S&P

For the fifth year in a row, both the Moody's and Standard and Poor's credit rating agencies have reaffirmed Richardson's "Triple A" status. Richardson has held AAA status from Standard and Poor's for seven years now, and this is the fifth year in a row the City has received a Aaa rating from Moody's.

In its rationale, S&P cited Richardson's strong economy, robust budgetary flexibility and performance, very strong management, and responsible financial policies.

Moody's rationale reported its rating was based on strengths that include a diverse tax base due to

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## Arts website is launched

The City of Richardson launched a new website April 1 that serves as a one-stop shop for information on local arts groups and events. ArtsInRichardson.com features calendar listings, links to local arts groups and the option to search for a particular type of event.

The website is updated by the City and the 29 groups that receive grants through the Richardson Arts Commission. It also contains information from the City's partner organizations, such as Richardson ISD, Plano ISD and UT Dallas.

"The new website allows visitors to learn about the many arts events going on in Richardson in a single place," said Assistant City Manager Shanna Sims-Bradish. "We expect Richardson residents will find ArtsInRichardson.com to be a valuable tool in planning local outings and supporting our many arts groups."

ArtsInRichardson.com was developed by Artsopolis, a California-based marketing company.



Artsopolis has created similar websites for Fort Worth, San Antonio, Boston, and many other cities across the country.

The website is one of the first projects originating out of the strategies identified in the Cultural Arts Master Plan, developed by the City and Lord Cultural Resources in 2013. The master plan is designed to serve as a guide to help strengthen the arts community in Richardson by building synergies among the various performance arts groups and enhancing existing arts facilities in the area.

Learn more about the Cultural Arts Master Plan at [cor.net/CAMP](http://cor.net/CAMP).

**See page 3 of this publication for more information about Richardson arts groups.**

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# City retains "Triple A" from Moody's and S&P

... continued from page 1 the city's location in the Dallas/Fort Worth metropolitan area, favorable socioeconomic profile, and standing as a regional employment center second only to Dallas Central Business District in the DFW area.

"We are very pleased to see this continued third party recognition of our financial stability," said Richardson Mayor Laura Maczka. "Responsible fiscal policies ensure our ability to maintain community trust, infrastructure investment,

and sustainable growth, and we are committed to continuing to challenge ourselves to run more efficiently and effectively to make the best use of taxpayer dollars."

Every year, the City sells bonds to fund replacement of capital equipment and infrastructure improvements. This year the City plans to sell approximately \$7.9 million, which includes funding for a new dog park, next generation 911 communications system and other long-term capital needs.

Moody's rating places Richardson among the top 6.1 percent of rated cities in the nation and 2.8 percent of rated cities in Texas to hold Aaa status. It has given only six other cities in Texas the same designation. Standard and Poor's AAA rating places Richardson among the top 5.8 percent of rated statewide communities.

Richardson is one of only six communities in Texas to hold "Triple A" ratings from both agencies.

# MAYOR'S MESSAGE



Mayor Laura Maczka laura.maczka@cor.gov

Richardson and Raytheon are about as natural a fit as you can find when it comes to matching a community with a company. The newly announced location of Raytheon's Intelligence, Information and Services operations, to be built at the booming CityLine development, enhances Richardson's Telecom Corridor® brand and continues our long history as a hub for technological innovation.

This is the second major corporate anchor for CityLine, and the nearly 500,000 square feet of offices for Raytheon are a fantastic addition to the 2 million square feet that will house State Farm.

CityLine is the hottest development in the Metroplex—if not the state of Texas—for good reason. There is superior transportation access, with two major highways and the DART light rail line. We have a highly educated, tech-savvy workforce. Our City and Richardson Economic Development Partnership leadership teams work hard to foster a business-friendly environment. And KDC is a great partner with a stellar track record for building high-quality developments.

It's been amazing to see the progress that's already been made at CityLine, after just a year or so of construction. The three State Farm buildings (with a fourth to come) now going up, as well as the Raytheon complex, are just the start toward fulfilling the master plan for the area approved by the City Council. This development is an amazing opportunity for Richardson, and it's thanks to the years of planning that we are

seeing so much economic activity there today.

CityLine will truly be one of the region's premier mixed-use developments. You will soon see the area bustling with activity—people working, living, shopping, eating, jogging on trails, and meeting friends and family at the public plaza. This development is something that everybody directly involved, as well as the entire Richardson community, should be extremely proud of. And from the feedback that I hear nearly every day, I know that you are as excited about CityLine as I am!

Sincerely,

*Laura Maczka*

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# April is "Month of Volunteerism"

Richardson is full of amazing people who selflessly serve the community all year, but during April the City recognizes their efforts and highlights other ways to give back during the Month of Volunteerism.

The City Council dedicated April as the Month of Volunteerism beginning in 2012, and one of the biggest City-organized volunteer events, the Trash Bash, happens every year in April. This event brings neighbors together as

they clean up trash and recyclable items in City streets and parks all around town. Last year Trash Bash volunteers gathered 5,000 pounds of trash and 1,500 pounds of recyclable items, and this year's efforts will make just as much of an impact.

The Trash Bash will begin at 9 a.m. April 26. The event will also include electronics recycling, document shredding, a clothing drive, environmental education fair and much more. See a drop-off loca-

tion map and a complete list of events on page 8 of this publication or go to cor.net/trashbash.

There are many other ways to volunteer with the City, including at the Animal Shelter, the Eise-mann Center or at the Police or Fire Departments.

You can check out a full list of volunteer opportunities and learn more about the Month of Volunteerism at cor.net/RichardsonVolunteers.

# Early voting for RISD Board of Trustee Election begins April 28



Early voting for the May 10, 2014, Richardson ISD Board of Trustees Election is available April 28-May 6 at the Richardson

Civic Center/City Hall, 411 W. Arapaho Rd.

Dallas County Richardson residents may vote early at City Hall or at any of the other Dallas County early voting locations. Call the Dallas County Elections Department at 214-819-6389 or visit dallascountyvotes.org.

Voters are reminded that they are required to show a photo ID at the polls. Election Day voting will take place Saturday, May 10 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the location designated for your precinct.

Richardson City Hall is NOT a voting location on Election Day.

Dates and times for early voting at Dallas County locations:

April 28-May 2 (Mon.-Fri.) 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

May 3 (Sat.) 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

May 4 (Sun.) 1 p.m.-6 p.m.

May 5-6 (Mon.-Tue.) 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

For more information, contact the RISD Administrative Office at 469-593-0000.

# League of Women Voters of Richardson to hold Richardson ISD candidate forum April 24

The League of Women Voters of Richardson and the Richardson ISD Council of PTAs will jointly host a forum for the Richardson ISD Board of Trustees candidates Thursday, April 24, at 7 p.m. in the auditorium of the Richardson ISD Administration Building, 400 S. Greenville Ave. The event is open to the public.

Trustee Kim Quirk, Place 6, and Trustee Karen Ellis, Place 7, are not seeking re-election.

Candidates running for Place 6 (in ballot order) are Justin Bono and Rachel Chumney. Candidates running for Place 7 (in ballot order) are Kristin Kuhne, Judy A. Yarbrough and Bonnie Abadie.

If you have a question you want to ask the candidates at the forum, e-mail it to voterservice@lwvrichardson.org. Questions that are e-mailed are given the same consideration as questions submitted at the forum. Questions will be

screened according to League of Women Voters of Texas Guide to Candidates Forums.



## City Council Action

The following is a listing of some of the main items considered by the Richardson City Council at the Feb. 24 meeting. 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. 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 and on the City's cable TV channel on Time Warner Cable, channel 16 and AT&T Universe, channel 99. Taped replays of the meetings are also available on the website within 24 hours.

### Feb. 24

Public Hearing, Zoning File 14-01: A request by Chris James, representing Edge Vapes, for an electronic-cigarette establishment at 401 W. President George Bush Turnpike (south side of President George Bush Turnpike, between Custer Parkway and Alma Road), was denied.

Variance 14-01: A request by Jeff Groth, representing RISD, to waive the required screening wall along the south-

ern and western property lines at 700 Dover Dr., was approved with the additional requirement of a six-foot chain link fence.

SCB Case #14-03: A request by American Gold and Diamond for a variance to allow for a 60-square-foot pole sign with a digital display 45 feet from the attached building sign at 425 N. Central Expressway, was approved.



Richardson Community Band  
RichardsonCommunityBand.org



Richardson Civic Art Society (RCAS)  
Richardson-Arts.org



Chamber Music International  
ChamberMusicInternational.org



Arts Incubator of Richardson (AIR)  
ArtsIncubatorRichardson.org



Richardson Theatre Centre  
RichardsonTheatreCentre.net

Tuzer Ballet

TuzerBallet.com



Richardson Symphony Orchestra  
RichardsonSymphony.org



Pegasus Theatre  
PegasusTheatre.org

# RICHARDSON CULTURAL ARTS

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## GUIDE

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



Plano Community Band  
PlanoBand.com



Rich-Tone Chorus  
RichTones.org

### Groups not photographed

#### Dance

Avant Chamber Ballet [AvantChamberBallet.org](http://AvantChamberBallet.org)

Chamberlain Performing Arts (Chamberlain Ballet)  
[ChamberlainPerformingArts.org](http://ChamberlainPerformingArts.org)

Dallas Ballet Company [DallasBalletCompany.org](http://DallasBalletCompany.org)

Dallas Repertoire Ballet  
[DanceADA.com/Companies/Dallas-Repertoire-Ballet](http://DanceADA.com/Companies/Dallas-Repertoire-Ballet)

#### Music

Contemporary Chorale [TheContemporaryChorale.org](http://TheContemporaryChorale.org)

Dallas Asian American Youth Orchestra [daayo.org](http://daayo.org)

Lone Star Wind Orchestra [LoneStarWindOrchestra.com](http://LoneStarWindOrchestra.com)

National Association of Composers – Texas Chapter  
[icnm.org/NACUSATX](http://icnm.org/NACUSATX)

Texas Performing Chinese Arts Association  
[PandaUSA.org](http://PandaUSA.org)

Texas Winds Musical Outreach [TexasWinds.org](http://TexasWinds.org)

#### Theater

Spectacular Senior Follies [SeniorFollies.com](http://SeniorFollies.com)

#### Visual Art

Islamic Art Revival Series [IslamicArtRevival.com](http://IslamicArtRevival.com)

#### Film/Video

Dallas Film Society [DallasFilm.org](http://DallasFilm.org)

Video Association of Dallas [VideoFest.org](http://VideoFest.org)

#### Culture

Dallas Chinese Community Center [DallasCCC.org](http://DallasCCC.org)

Friends of the Richardson Public Library  
[RichardsonFOL.org](http://RichardsonFOL.org)

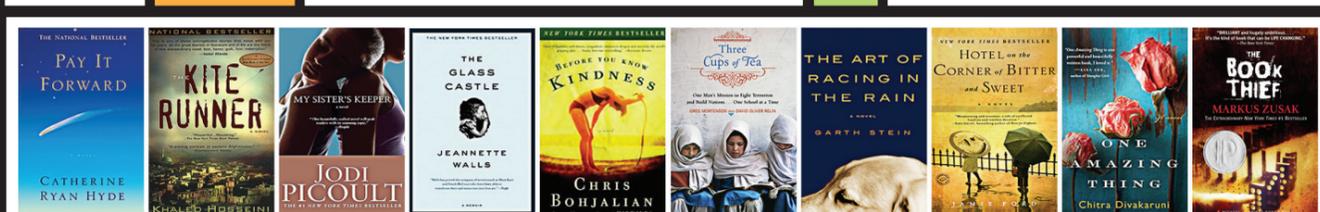


Plano Symphony Orchestra  
PlanoSymphony.org



Repertory Company Theatre (RCT)  
RCTTheatre.com

Richardson Reads One Book  
[OneBook.cor.net](http://OneBook.cor.net)



# Eisemann Center Presents offers wide range of specialized shows

When the Eisemann Center first opened its doors more than a decade ago, the season schedule included only four nationally touring shows booked and presented by the City. The performances were so successful that the next year the City created *Eisemann Center Presents* to specifically book national touring artists and shows. The series now features as many as 30 shows each year, including a number of established series of specialized programs.

"We realized that was something the public was looking for," said Bruce MacPherson, Managing Director at the Eisemann Center. "We found there was a niche of programming that wasn't really being done in the area, so we created *Eisemann Center Presents* with logos and branding to represent the wide range of programs that are now presented under the *Eisemann Center Presents* umbrella."

MacPherson begins searching and evaluating shows for the *Eisemann Center Presents* series more than a year before most of them come to the stages at the Eisemann Center. He looks for certain types of shows specifically suited for the Family Theatre Series and Theatre Comedy Series, but with a more open slate of artists and attractions to choose from for the MainStage shows and special attractions.

Some shows may only take a simple e-mail to get confirmed, while others take months of negotiations with agents representing the artists. The latter are particularly satisfying for MacPherson when he sees them come to life on stage.

"I can sit in the back of the house and watch the event unfold and reflect back on what it took to get to this point in time," he said.

"That brings a special pleasure to me that others in attendance can't fully appreciate."

Pianist Jeffrey Siegel has performed under the *Eisemann Center Presents* banner more times than anyone else through his ongoing Keyboard Conversations® series of four concerts each season in the Bank of America Theatre. He performs the concerts internationally, but Richardson is one of his favorite destinations for many reasons.

"There's not a bad seat in the hall, and the acoustics are that of a fine concert hall, yet it has the intimacy of a drawing room or a salon," Siegel said. "It's absolutely perfect for these programs."

They Keyboard Conversations® series is among Eisemann Center patron and donor John Dixon's favorite shows each season, but he also enjoys the wide selection of offerings in the *Eisemann Center Presents* series.

"The variety of programs that are offered here provide a broad base of what the cultural arts have to offer," Dixon said. "That continued reinvigoration and reenergizing of programs has been a big appeal."

MacPherson said he's always looking for unique new shows to bring to Richardson, and his staff members continually work to enhance the patron experience at existing shows. One of the newest programs is Eisemann Extras, which provides an opportunity for children to participate in hands-on activities related to shows in the Family Theatre Series before watching the performance. The final Eisemann Extras event of the season will take place at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, April 6, prior to the "Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day" performance at 2:30 p.m.



**Eisemann Center Presents will showcase Debby Boone and the World Famous Glenn Miller Orchestra April 25 at 8 p.m. in the Hill Performance Hall of the Eisemann Center.**

The final shows of the *Eisemann Center Presents* 2013-2014 Season will take place this month. A brief description of each program with times and ticket prices can be found on page 7.



**They Call Me Mr. Fry**  
April 3-6

**Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day**  
April 6

**Debby Boone and the World Famous Glenn Miller Orchestra**  
April 25

**Keyboard Conversations® "Mistresses and Masterpieces"**  
April 28

Although attendance at *Eisemann Center Presents* shows has been strong, MacPherson and staff are always trying to find ways to reach out and attract new audiences.

"It's a jewel that a lot of people still have not yet totally discovered," MacPherson said. "There's

not an audience member who is not pretty close to what's happening on stage. It's the intimacy of our venues, which I think is special about the Eisemann Center."

The *Eisemann Center Presents* lineup for 2014-2015 will be announced in early May, which is also when series subscriptions and

multiple show ticket packages go on sale. Individual show tickets will be available starting July 7.

For more information about the Eisemann Center or to purchase tickets to any show, visit [eisemanncenter.com](http://eisemanncenter.com) or call the Ticket Office at 972-744-4650.

## Tickets on sale this month for annual Wildflower! Festival

The 2014 Wildflower! Arts & Music Festival's three-day pass goes on sale for \$30 on Monday, April 14, at any Metroplex Tom Thumb store or online through [wildflowerfestival.com](http://wildflowerfestival.com). The three-day pass will be available for sale until 5:30 p.m., Friday, May 16. Single-day adult tickets will be available at the gate for \$20, as well as through the festival's website beginning April 14. Kids age 5-12 will be admitted for \$3, and admission for kids 4 and under is free.

**\$10 tickets for residents**  
**Half price Sunday**  
**Kids free on Sunday**

Richardson residents can purchase up to six individual adult tickets per each day of the festival per household for only \$10 each.

Kids 12 and under get in free on Sunday with a paid adult courtesy of Bank of America and adult tickets are \$10 on Sunday courtesy of Cisco.

Watch for additional information and a full entertainment lineup in the May edition of *Richardson Today*. You can also get the latest news and complete festival information at [wildflowerfestival.com](http://wildflowerfestival.com) and on the *Wildflower!* Facebook page at [facebook.com/WildflowerFestival](http://facebook.com/WildflowerFestival).

## Trash discount available for residents 65 and older

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

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

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

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

## Study to create Public Art Master Plan

From the "Rocket" sculpture at Heights Park to the Texas Instruments Foundation Community Fountain at Galatyn Park Urban Center, public art already plays a role in the culture of the Richardson community, with at least 28 installations throughout the city.

A study now underway would create a coordinated public art strategy through a Public Art Master Plan, which would help to guide the installation and long-term maintenance of public art in the city. Creating a plan for public art was recommended by the Cultural Arts Master Plan, which was approved last year.

"As Richardson continues to grow, we are going to have more interest in public art and more opportunities to add to what exists today," said Richardson Assistant City Manager Shanna Sims-Bradish. "A master plan will help to answer questions about where art pieces should go, what our overall goals for public art are in Richardson and how we implement this 10-year plan."

The committee working to draft the Public Art Master Plan includes residents, business representatives and members of several City departments that would play a role in implementing the plan.

Stakeholder meetings are ongoing, and this spring the committee will tour various locations in the Metroplex to see how other cities have worked with public art. A final recommendation is expected later this year.

"The Rocket got a lot of people thinking about art at City facilities and at major public locations," Sims-Bradish said. "And it reflects the community's history. Something that we definitely want to do with this plan is to be sure that what comes to these public gathering places represents Richardson and is unique to Richardson. The plan will allow the whole community to be involved in the conversation."

As the committee has studied public art, she said, members have realized that it isn't limited to just an abstract sculpture in a public square.

"Artistic elements can be incorporated into just about anything—park benches, playground equipment, lighting, facades and even signage. It's really been eye-opening to see how broad the definition of public art is," Sims-Bradish said.



**"The Rocket" at Heights Park**



**Reading sculpture at RISD Administration Building**

# Health Department continues enhanced mosquito control program

Even before the annual mosquito season begins, the Richardson Health Department is working to combat the spread of the West Nile virus through prevention and public education measures.

In 2012, North Texas (especially Dallas County) was at the epicenter of a widespread outbreak of West Nile virus, both in humans and in mosquito test samples, on a scale that had never been seen before. In response, the Richardson Health Department implemented additional mosquito management measures. 2013 saw a dramatic drop in the number of positive test results for the West Nile virus. This year the department will continue to take measures to help control the mosquito population and the spread of the virus.

“We maintain a robust program, which includes surveillance, breeding source reduction, public information, and controlling mosquito populations with larvicide and pupicide to keep mosquitoes from developing into adults,”

Health Director Bill Alsup said. “We have made a commitment to help control the spread of the West Nile virus to the maximum extent practical.”

**Mosquito management measures include:**

- Expanded monitoring of mosquito populations using traps throughout the city throughout the year. Surveillance intensifies from April through October.
- Residential pool abatement, to reduce areas where mosquitoes can breed.
- Closer collaboration among departments to reduce areas where water can become stagnant.
- Deploying fish that can eat mosquito larvae, and increasing the areas where larvicide is used.
- Improving the adulticide response by working with a private contractor that can provide additional ground spraying capacity and include hike and bike trails.

- Treatment of storm drain inlets and outfalls to reduce the mosquito populations and limit the spread of disease.
- Collaborating more closely with regional partners to provide an improved response across all agencies.

“The enhanced measures have been implemented following recommendations from public health experts, including the Centers for Disease Control,” Alsup said. “The goal is not to eradicate mosquitoes, but instead to keep a harmful disease from spreading throughout the community.”

In addition to measures that the City is implementing, Alsup said, it is imperative for members of the public to protect themselves from mosquitoes that can carry West Nile virus. People should follow the “Four D’s”:

- **Drain** standing water.
- **Avoid** being out at **Dusk** and **Dawn**.

- **Dress** in long sleeves and pants.
- Apply an insect repellent containing **DEET**.

West Nile virus is a potentially serious illness that is transmitted by a bite from an infected mosquito that’s already carrying the virus. Most people will not show any sign of infection, but many will have mild symptoms such as fever, headache and body aches. Rarely, symptoms may require medical

care or hospitalization. The people who are most susceptible to the disease are the very young, the very old and those with weakened immune systems.

For more information, visit [cor.net/mosquito](http://cor.net/mosquito). News updates about mosquito control and the West Nile virus will also be provided on Facebook and Twitter at [facebook.com/RichardsonToday](http://facebook.com/RichardsonToday) and [twitter.com/RichardsonToday](http://twitter.com/RichardsonToday).



**Richardson’s mosquito management program includes treating storm drains for both adult mosquitoes and larvae.**

## New Library computers save time and money

One of the most-used resources at the Richardson Public Library is the public-access computers on the second floor—at just about any time on any day, somebody is searching for a job, researching on the Internet, taking a class or writing a paper.

Regular computer users have probably noticed a big change in the past month, not in terms of what they can do on the terminals, but in the technology being used. The full-sized PC towers are gone, replaced by small terminals called “thin clients.” They connect to a virtualized server cluster on a high-speed network connection, giving the same user experience but saving electricity, reducing the heat load and minimizing City staff time needed to maintain the individual computers.

“A goal we had was to make sure the new system outperformed what we had in place before,” said Richardson Chief Information Officer Steve Graves. “We can now manage them easier, and each one uses a third less energy than a full computer would.”

In addition, he said, the thin clients will save the City money because they won’t have to be replaced as often as a full PC would. In all, 70 terminals were installed at the Library, including 30 at the large cluster on the second floor of the building.

Richardson’s information technology staff has been working for nearly two years to find exactly the right system that would fit the

Library’s and the City’s needs. Library staff also tested the new system over several months before it was deployed to the public.

“We built, tested, then rebuilt and retested to be sure it was right,” Graves said. “The Library’s computers are an important resource for patrons, and so far this transition has been great for both the City and our residents.”





### Richardson Recycling Now Accepts Pots and Pans

**Recycling questions?**  
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or visit [COR.net/Recycling](http://COR.net/Recycling)






### Compost Yard Waste & Save Landfill Space

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<p><b>Be Sure To...</b></p> <p>Use a <b>compostable</b> bag. Regular plastic and biodegradable bags are not compostable and will be taken to the landfill. The City’s blue recycling bags are not compostable. Separate brush from bulky items (appliances, furniture, etc.) if you are having both picked up.</p>	
<p>*To schedule a pickup, call 972-744-4111, visit <a href="http://cor.net/Recycling">cor.net/Recycling</a> or use the MyRichardson App (download at <a href="http://cor.net/MyRichardson">cor.net/MyRichardson</a>). For more information, visit <a href="http://cor.net/Recycling">cor.net/Recycling</a> or <a href="http://cor.net/BABIC">cor.net/BABIC</a>.</p>	



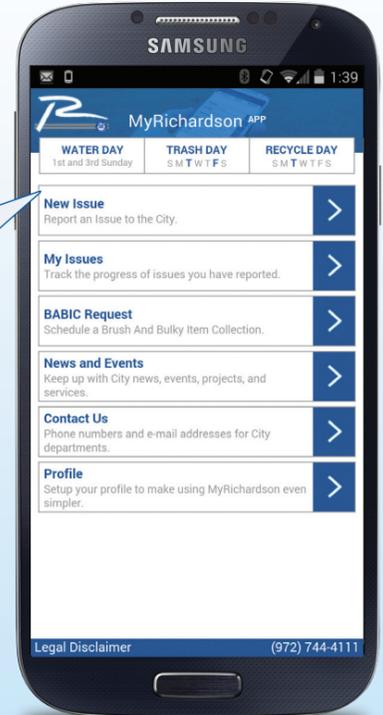
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# Calendar

## At the Library

900 Civic Center Dr. • 972-744-4350

### Book Groups

Registration is requested for all book groups and clubs.

#### First Wednesday Book Club

April 2, 7-8:45 p.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "The Price of Inequality" by Joseph Stiglitz. Facilitated by Grace Morrison. Call Janet Vance at 972-744-4376 for info.

#### Second Wednesday BOOKbabble Group

April 9, 10:30-11:45 a.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "The Weight of Small Things" by Sherri Wood Emmons. Call Janet Vance at 972-744-4376.

#### Third Wednesday BOOKbabble Group

April 16, 10:30-11:45 a.m.

Second Floor Conference Room. "A Week in Winter" by Maeve Binchy. Call Penny Manly at 972-744-4350 for info.

#### Fourth Tuesday BOOKbabble Group

April 22, 7:30-8:45 p.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "The Round House" by Louise Erdrich. Call Janet Vance at 972-744-4376 for info.

### Computer Classes

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

#### Internet 101

April 11, 10 a.m.-noon

#### E-mail 101

April 16, 10 a.m.-noon

### Job Searching on the Internet

April 25, 10-11:30 a.m.

### Children's Activities Family Storytime

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

### Craftivity!

April 5, 3-4:30 p.m. Basement Program Room. Children's games and crafts.

### Movie Mornings: Epic

April 26, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Basement Program Room.

### General Interest

#### AARP Tax Aide

Mondays through April 14, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Basement Program Room.

#### RCAS Meeting and Demonstration

April 15, 6:30-8:45 p.m. Basement Program Room. Marie Renfro, Abstract Acrylic.

### Friends of the Library Spring Book Sale

April 25 and 26, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; April 27, 2-5 p.m. Basement Program Room.

### Special Interest

**Dewey KNIT?**, an adult knitting program. April 5, 2-4 p.m. First Floor Program Room. Call 972-744-4355 for information.

### Writers' Guild of Texas

April 21, 7-8:30 p.m. Basement Program Room.

### Community Writers' Critique Group

April 16, 6-8:45 p.m. Basement Program Room.

### Richardson Historical & Genealogical Society

April 17, 1:30-3:30 p.m. Basement Program Room. Ellis Island, presented by Roger Fortney.

## Free AARP tax prep help ends April 14

Free tax return assistance is available to low to moderate income taxpayers, especially seniors. The Tax-Aide program, sponsored by AARP and the IRS, assists people with free tax return preparation and e-filing.

The service is available 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Mondays through April 14 at the Library (900 Civic Center Dr.) and 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Fridays through April 11 at the Senior Center (820 W. Arapaho Rd.).

Assistance through the Tax-Aide program is first come, first served. People should bring Social Security cards and all pertinent tax forms, including Social Security statements.

## At the Senior Center

820 W. Arapaho Rd.  
972-744-7800

### Special Events

#### Out to Lunch Bunch April 15—Frankie's

Cost for the trip is \$.50, 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!

#### Lunch 'n' Learn April 16

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

No fee. A seminar on hearing loss, presented by Zounds Hearing, will discuss the risk factors for hearing loss, signs of hearing loss and the new options that will help correct or improve hearing loss. Please RSVP by calling 972-744-7800.

#### Amon Carter Museum of American Art May 7—10:30 a.m.

Fee: \$10. We will leave the Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. You will feast your eyes on more than 60 paintings that explore the art and culture of food and dining in America in the exhibition "Art and Appetite: American Painting, Culture, and Cuisine." This docent-guided tour features many iconic works by such noted artists as Ed-

ward Hopper, Norman Rockwell and Andy Warhol. You will also have time to enjoy the museum's permanent collection. Lunch will be at the Kimball Art Museum before the scheduled tour time at Amon Carter. Cost of lunch is not included.

#### Richardson Community Band Concert

May 14—7:30 p.m.

Free. The time has changed... the flowers and trees are starting to bloom...it must be spring! It is time for our Spring Concert with the Richardson Community Band. Enjoy an evening of music and laughter. Light refreshments served after the concert.

#### Health Connection Medicaid Eligibility for Long-Term Care with the Law Office of Ron Baron April 24—10 a.m.

No fee. Attorney Ron Baron, will provide an overview of the eligibility requirements for Medicaid, including income caps, resources and assets, and how to legally preserve assets and intra-spousal transfer. Do not miss this informative presentation. Refreshments provided.

### Travel Opportunities

#### It Must be Heaven: Texas Wine, Texas Ice Cream, Texas Legends! A Tour of Brenham and College Station April 28-29

Cost: \$375 per person, double occupancy; \$425 per person, single.

We will head to Brenham and College Station by motor coach, departing from the Senior Center at 8:30 a.m. We will spend an afternoon at the George Bush Presidential Library in College Station and enjoy a guided tour of the Texas A&M University Campus. A tour at Pleasant Hill Winery will be topped off with a tasting of some fine Texas wines. The Antique Rose Emporium, Mrs. Sam Houston's Home, the Baylor Columns and the Independence Baptist Church are the featured stops in Independence.

Before we head back to Dallas, we'll stop, tour and taste at the Blue Bell Creamery. Trip includes all meals: breakfast, two lunches and one dinner. Lodging is reserved at the Comfort Suites in Brenham.

### Baltimore: The 200th Anniversary of the Star Spangled Banner June 5-9

Cost: \$1,458 per person, double occupancy; \$1,837 per person, single occupancy. (Air travel *not* included. For airline tickets, please call Beth Owens at 972-744-7810.)

Hurry!!! The deadline to register is approaching!

This year is the 200th anniversary of the writing of the "Star Spangled Banner" by Francis Scott Key, and Baltimore is sure to be one of the top trip destinations of 2014. We have engaged the city's leading experts on history, architecture and social life to present Baltimore's highlights. You will enjoy not only world-famous seafood, but also the excellent ethnic cuisine such as authentic Italian.

Your accommodations will be the waterfront Renaissance Hotel located in the middle of non-stop activity of shopping, restaurants, museums, parks and ships along the coast of Inner Harbor.



Other highlights to enjoy:

- An extensive harbor tour to view Fort McHenry and the American flag from the same spot where Francis Scott Key did in 1814.
- Visit the homestead of Edgar Allan Poe.
- You will have time to see some of the country's greatest art museums.
- See the B&O Railroad Museum, the largest American railroad collection, along with the Museum of Industry.
- Visit the distinctive and colorful Baltimore neighborhoods of Fells Point, Mount Vernon, Bolton Hill, Federal Hill and Hampden.
- A private tour through the Maryland Historical Society Museum with a War of 1812 expert.
- Tour the Star-Spangled Banner Flag House, home of Mary Pickersgill, who made the iconic flag.
- Cocktails, dinner, and speakers at the opulent Engineers Club of the Garrett-Jacobs Mansion will highlight your final evening in Baltimore.

## Richardson Civic Organizations

### Special Interest Groups

#### AARP Chapter 1651

972-234-2815

#### Citizens Fire Academy Alumni Association

972-744-5750

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

#### NARFE Eppard Chapter #1273

972-238-8438 or 972-234-6922

#### Plano/Richardson Coin Club

214-287-4817

#### Richardson Animaluv

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

#### Richardson Humane Society

972-234-5117

#### Richardson Community Band

[richardsoncommunityband.org](http://richardsoncommunityband.org)  
or [info@richardsoncommunityband.org](mailto:info@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

k5rkw.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

#### Better Breathers Club—American Lung Association

214-916-5120, ext. 5133

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

#### DFW Spondylitis Support Group

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

#### World War II 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

### EISEMANN CENTER PRESENTS

*They Call Me Mr. Fry*  
starring Jack Freiberger  
8 p.m. April 3, 4, 5  
2 p.m. April 5, 6

Bank of America Theatre  
Tickets: \$32-\$42

### Richardson Symphony Orchestra presents

*Music for All Ages*  
with featured guest artist  
Michael Boudewyns  
8 p.m. April 5  
Hill Performance Hall  
Tickets: \$10-\$87

### EISEMANN CENTER PRESENTS

*Alexander and the Terrible,  
Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day*  
2:30 p.m. April 6  
Hill Performance Hall  
Tickets: \$12-\$22

### The Vocal Majority Chorus presents

*VM Pure A Capella*  
8 p.m. April 11, 12  
2 p.m. April 12

Hill Performance Hall  
Tickets: \$10-\$43

vocalmajority.com

### Avant Chamber Ballet presents

*Alice in Wonderland*  
3 p.m. April 12, 13  
8 p.m. April 12

Bank of America Theatre  
Tickets: \$30

avantchamberballet.org

### Jiaping Shi Dance School presents

*Love of Dance*  
7 p.m. April 19

Hill Performance Hall  
Tickets: \$10-\$15

jpsdance.com



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### Prestonwood Christian Academy presents

*Annie*  
7:30 p.m. April 23, 24, 25, 26  
1:30 p.m. April 26  
Bank of America Theatre  
Tickets: \$12-\$25

### EISEMANN CENTER PRESENTS

Debby Boone and the World  
Famous Glenn Miller Orchestra  
8 p.m. April 25  
Hill Performance Hall  
Tickets: \$39-\$56

### Studio Dance Centre presents

*Peace, Love Dance*  
9:30 a.m. April 26  
6:30 p.m. April 26

Hill Performance Hall  
Tickets: \$10-\$11

studiodancecentre.com

### Lone Star Wind Orchestra presents

*Wildflowers*, an afternoon  
with Percy Grainger  
2:30 p.m. April 27

Hill Performance Hall  
Tickets: \$20-\$40

lonestarwindorchestra.com

### EISEMANN CENTER PRESENTS

Keyboard Conversations®  
*Mistresses and Masterpieces*  
7:30 p.m. April 28

Bank of America Theatre  
Tickets: \$27-\$32

keyboardconversations.com

## Don't miss the final Eisemann Center Presents performances of 2013-2014

The 2013-2014 season of Eisemann Center Presents will conclude this month, with shows from the Main Stage, Family Theatre and Theatre Comedy series, as well as Keyboard Conversations®.

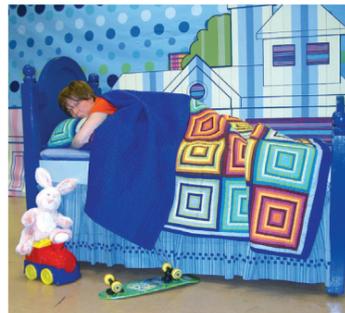
Visit eisemanncenter.com for ticket information, or call the Ticket Office at 972-744-4650. Groups of 10 or more qualify for ticket discounts. Call Group Sales at 972-744-4657 for information.



**They Call Me Mr. Fry**  
8 p.m. April 3, 4, 5  
2 p.m. April 5, 6  
Tickets: \$32-\$42

Closing the 2013-2014 Theatre Comedy Series, *They Call Me Mr. Fry* starring Jack Freiberger will play five performances at the Eisemann Center. Jack Fry is a substitute teacher in urban L.A. In this show he relives the culture shock, fears, hopes and dreams encountered through his work through wit, anecdotes and impressions. *They Call Me Mr. Fry* shares how he

handles two challenging students, his journey through big-city bureaucracy and his efforts to find his place in the world while keeping his sense of humor.



**Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day**  
2:30 p.m. April 6  
Tickets: \$12-\$22

The Methodist Richardson Family Theatre Series will close with *Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day*. Alexander trips on a skateboard and drops his sweater in the sink all before breakfast! What a bad start to a truly terrible day. So bad that he may move to Australia! Laugh and sing with Alexander's misadventures in this musical based on the best-selling book by beloved author, Judith Viorst. Story Time at Barnes & Noble on 15th Street in Plano takes place at 7 p.m. Friday, April 4.

### Debby Boone and the World Famous Glenn Miller Orchestra

8 p.m. April 25  
Tickets: \$39-\$56

Closing out the MainStage Shows will be Debby Boone and the World Famous Glenn Miller Orchestra. Boone, who rocketed to success with her hit single "You Light Up My Life," partners with the World Famous Glenn Miller Orchestra for this full big-band retrospective. You will be swept away by the lush orchestra sounds Glenn Miller made famous now partnered with Boone's memorable voice.



### Keyboard Conversations® Mistresses and Masterpieces

7:30 p.m. April 28  
Tickets: \$27-\$32

Immortal works of love, passion and longing by Liszt, Schumann and Brahms, inspired by "significant others" in the composers' lives. Jeffrey Siegel's Keyboard Conversations® are concerts with broad, popular appeal and lively commentary, making the music more accessible and meaningful for all.



## RCT presents "Boeing, Boeing"

Repertory Company Theatre invites you to sit back, relax and enjoy an evening of in-flight entertainment with "Boeing, Boeing."

The comedy enters the world of Bernard who, with the help of his housekeeper, has been juggling three gorgeous flight attendants—all of whom believe themselves to be his one-and-only.

The show will run April 18-27. Show times are 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$18 for seniors.

For tickets, call 972-690-5029. Repertory Company Theatre is located at 650 N. Coit Rd. in Richardson.

## Theatre Centre presents "The Unexpected Guest"

The Richardson Theatre Centre's 25th season continues with Agatha Christie's murder mystery *The Unexpected Guest*.

This mystery opens as a stranger walks into a house to find a man murdered and his wife standing over him with a gun. But she is dazed and her confession unconvincing. Later, police discover clues that point to a man who died two years previously and a Pandora's box of love and hate, suspicion and intrigue is opened to the night air.

Richardson Theatre Centre is located at 518 W. Arapaho Rd., Suite 113. The show runs from Friday, April 11, through Sunday, April 27. (There will be no performance Sunday, April 20.) Showtimes are Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$20 for Thursdays and Sundays, and \$22 for Fridays and Saturdays. For tickets, call 972-699-1130. Visit RTC online at richardsontheatrecentre.net.

## RCAS hosts artist demonstration

Marie Renfro will demonstrate painting techniques at the Richardson Civic Art Society meeting on April 15. Renfro creates colorful works in a variety of mediums, including acrylic, oil, and watercolor. View her work at gallery8.com.

RCAS meets in the Richardson Public Library basement on the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. The event is free, and all welcome. RCAS is supported by the City of Richardson through a grant from the Arts Commission.



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411 W. Arapaho Rd.  
Richardson, Texas 75080  
cor.net/civiccenter

Coming up at the  
**Civic Center**  
Texas Stamp Dealers  
April 4-5  
tsdstamps.com

North Dallas Mothers of  
Twins Consignment Sale  
April 12  
ndmotc.com

**Pretty Pet Easter Parade** 

**Huffhines Park**  
April 12, 1-4 p.m.

Parade starts at 3 p.m.  
Refreshments & Activities  
Nail Trimming: \$5

Sharing Earth with Animals

RichardsonAnimaLuv.org  
Benefiting Richardson Animal Shelter



## Film event to benefit NETWORK

LUNAFEST®, a film festival dedicated to promoting awareness about women's issues, highlighting women filmmakers, and bringing women together in their communities, will be hosted by Women In Network (WIN), the women's auxiliary for NETWORK of Community Ministries, at Alamo Drafthouse Cinema, 100 S. Central Expressway in Richardson. The event is at noon Friday, April 11.

The festival highlights women as leaders in society, illustrated through nine short films by women filmmakers. Proceeds will benefit the Breast Cancer Fund and NETWORK of Community Ministries. Tickets are \$50 and may be purchased at TheNETWORK.org. Select lunch and beverages will be provided.

## Seniors' Net holds free seminars

Seniors' Net holds seminars twice per month. They begin at 10 a.m. and are held at NETWORK of Community Ministries, 741 S. Sherman St. in Richardson. Topics include areas of interest for the aging population. To RSVP for any of these FREE seminars, please call 972-234-8880, ext. 118.

April 15: Your Supplemental Insurance

May 6: Celebrating Older Americans Month—Movie Day

# April 26 Trash Bash to provide several recycling options

To celebrate the Keep America Beautiful Great American Cleanup, the City of Richardson is joining forces with Keep Texas Beautiful to hold Trash Bash 2014, a city-wide cleanup that removes litter from the streets, parks and waterways of Richardson. This is the 20th anniversary of Trash Bash, and it will also coincide with the national Earth Day. All citizens, homeowner and neighborhood associations, social organizations, civic groups and businesses are invited to participate in this event to help clean up the community from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 26.

New to this year's Trash Bash will be a prescription drug take back event sponsored by the Richardson Police Department and the Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association in collaboration with the Drug Enforcement Administration. The focus of the program is to remove potentially dangerous controlled substances from the nation's medicine cabinets. Since this is a national initiative open to everyone, participation is not limited by geography.

The free drug disposal event will take place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the parking lot of the Richardson Civic Center/City Hall complex.

### What you need to know about Richardson's "Take Back" event:

- The event is "drive thru and drop off" so participants do not have to park and exit their vehicles.
- Participation is anonymous, and no identification will be requested. Substances turned in for destruction will not be inventoried or logged. Police will be present for participants' safety and event security.
- All participants must retain possession of their own medication during the collection process, from home to the point of disposal.

- Participants may dispose of solid dosage medications (pills, capsules, etc.) in its original container or by removing the medication from its container and dumping it into the disposal box.
- All pharmaceutical liquids, such as cough syrup, will be accepted in their original consumer containers and should be tightly sealed to prevent leakage.
- Intravenous solutions or medications and syringes will not be accepted due to the potential hazard posed by blood-borne pathogens.

- Illicit substances such as marijuana or methamphetamine are not a part of this initiative and should not be placed in disposal containers.

Call the RPD Crime Prevention Unit at 972-744-4955 if you have any questions.

The 2014 Trash Bash will provide several recycling opportunities. There will be educational booths, refreshments and door prizes inside City Hall, and outside on the Fountain Plaza there will also be activities for everyone. The following list provides a description of what is available at this year's Trash Bash.

### City Hall parking lot

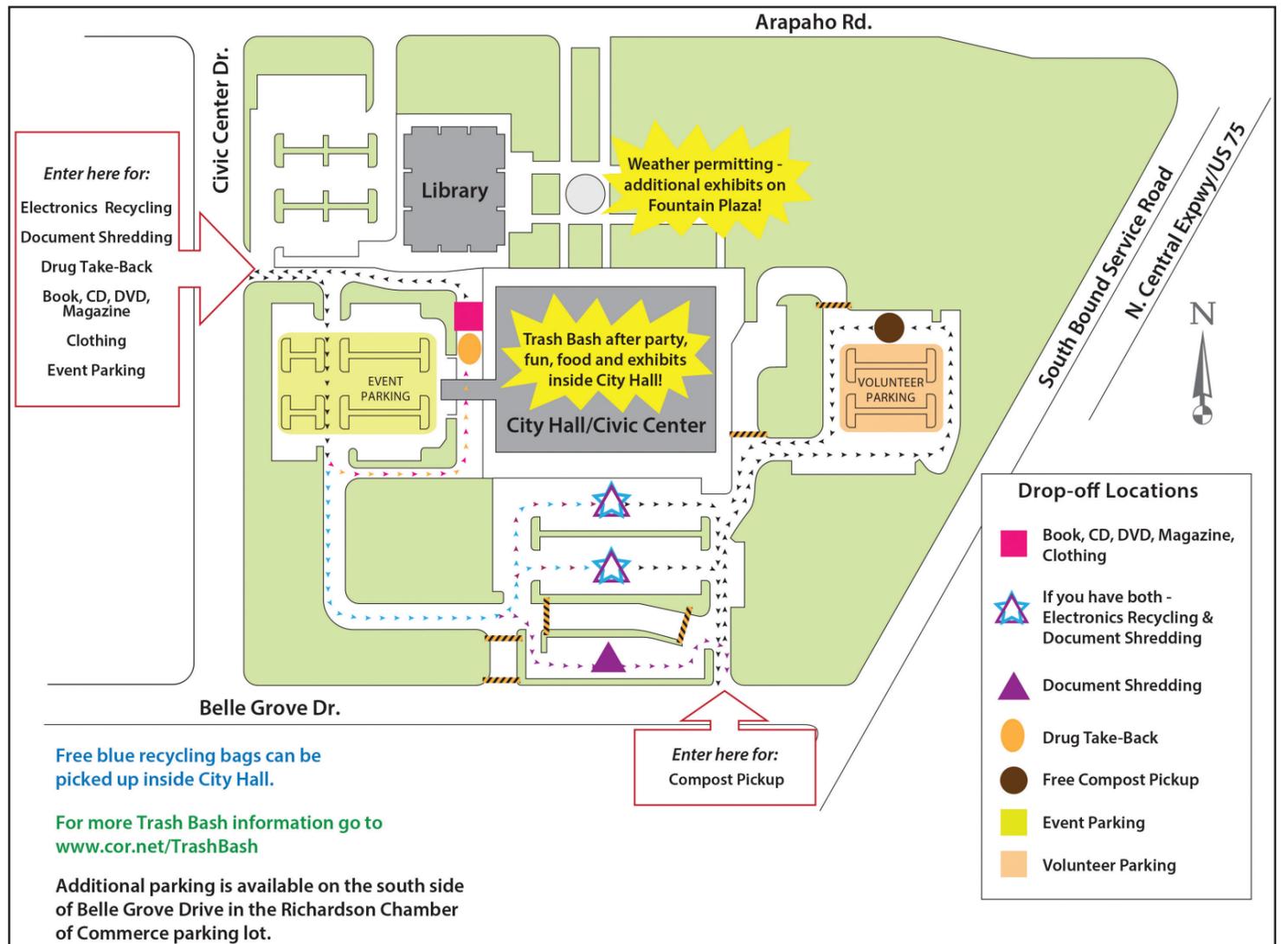
- Electronics recycling
- Prescription drug take back
- Document shredding
- Book drive (books, magazines, CDs, DVDs)
- Plastic grocery bag recycling (now included in Blue Bag Program)
- Free Texas Pure Compost (up to 2.5 cubic feet per resident or five 1-gallon containers; please bring your own containers to take your compost home)
- Clothing and shoe drive (clothing should be gently used and washed, place in plastic bags/sacks, no trash bags please)

### Inside City Hall

- Environmental Education Fair
- Free recycling bags
- Refreshments
- Free plants
- Door prizes
- Styrofoam (EPS) place in bags
- Richie the Recycling Duck

### Fountain Plaza

- City and DART vehicles on display
  - Animal Shelter adoptable animals
  - Children's bounce house
  - Recycle bales
- For additional information or questions please visit [cor.net/trashbash](http://cor.net/trashbash) or call 972-744-4076.



Free blue recycling bags can be picked up inside City Hall.

For more Trash Bash information go to [www.cor.net/TrashBash](http://www.cor.net/TrashBash)

Additional parking is available on the south side of Belle Grove Drive in the Richardson Chamber of Commerce parking lot.

## Help for your landscape from Texas A&M AgriLife

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

**Smart Watering During Restrictions #110** Thur., Apr. 10, 6:30-8 p.m.  
Presents a general overview on drip irrigation, new water conserving technologies, cycle and soak, lawn care during drought, foundation watering, tree watering, irrigation scheduling, and rainwater harvesting.

**Lawn Care Maintenance #102** Tues., Apr. 22, 2-4 p.m.  
Learn how to select the right turf grass and improve the health and longevity of your landscape. You will learn how to maintain your landscape using less water, fertilizer and pesticides.

**Drip Irrigation DIY #105** Tues., Apr. 22, 10 a.m.-noon  
Learn how to install drip irrigation tubing from your faucet or how to convert an existing zone to drip. Drip irrigation is the most efficient irrigation method and is essential to sustainable landscapes. Drip irrigation for foundation watering will also be covered.

**Landscape Basics #101** Tues., Apr. 29, 6:30-8 p.m.  
Learn to create and install a water efficient landscape or garden. You will learn proper soil preparation, native and adaptive plant selection, and how to design and plan a small or large project.

**Sprinkler System Quick Fixes #111** Thur., May 1, 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Learn basic hands-on repairs and maintenance to home automatic sprinkler systems. A properly functioning sprinkler system saves you time, money and water!

**Lawn Care Maintenance #102** Tues., May 20, 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Learn how to select the right turf grass and improve the health and longevity of your landscape. You will learn how to maintain your landscape using less water, fertilizer and pesticides.



## Be prepared for severe weather

The spring brings many welcome sights such as grass growing, trees blooming and flowers budding, but the season can also bring severe weather events. The City of Richardson's Office of Emergency Management offers residents the following information to help prepare for bad weather.

### Upgraded Capabilities for Outdoor Warning System



In an effort to provide enhanced outdoor warning for Richardson citizens, all sirens now have strobe lights that will flash when a siren is activated, providing a visual alert with the audible alert. Tests will take place the first Wednesday of every month at noon and include approximately 30 seconds of audible siren sound.

The warning system will be activated when:

- The National Weather Service issues a Richardson-specific Tornado Warning or Severe Thunderstorm Warning when destructive winds are at or above 70 mph.
- Trained storm spotters have reported a tornado with the potential to impact Richardson.
- Hail of 1.25 inches (half dollar) in diameter is imminent.
- Deemed necessary by City of Richardson officials.

If you hear the sirens when a test is not scheduled:

1. Seek shelter indoors.
2. Seek information through local media (local television channels and radio).
3. Follow directions from local officials.
4. ONLY call 911 in case of an actual emergency or when no information is being broadcast regarding the emergency.

You may not be able to hear the sirens indoors or during an actual event due to high winds and weather conditions. Secure a NOAA weather radio with Specific Area Message Encoding (SAME) technology to provide dependable indoor warning information to your family.

### National Smartphone Alerts

Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA) is a nationwide text system, which will warn you when severe weather threatens. When you receive a WEA message:

1. Follow any action advised by the emergency message.
2. Seek more information from your favorite TV or radio station, NOAA weather radio, news website, mobile application or other trusted source of information.

You do not have to sign up to receive national alerts, and you will not be charged for the messages.

It is possible that you may receive an alert when there is no warning in effect at your location because WEA messages use cell towers, which sometimes broadcast outside the activated warning area. Your best use of WEA is to immediately take action and seek additional information about the imminent threat impacting your area.

For additional information regarding steps you can take to protect yourself and your family during emergency situations, please visit [COR.net/EM](http://COR.net/EM) or contact the Office of Emergency Management at [oem@cor.gov](mailto:oem@cor.gov) or 972-744-0900.

# Now hiring for summer positions!



Become a City of Richardson **summer camp** counselor! Call Heights Recreation Center at 972-744-7850 with any questions.

**Aquatics** positions now available:

- Pool Managers
- Assistant Pool Managers
- Lifeguards
- Swim Instructors and Swim Team Coaches
- Cashiers



Questions? Call Athletics/Aquatics at 972-744-7892.

**Competitive pay rates!**  
Visit [cor.net/jobs](http://cor.net/jobs) to apply!

## Ladies Golf League seeks players for its 2014 season

The Sherrill Park Ladies Golf League of Richardson is open to women of all skill levels. The league plays on Tuesday mornings through October. If you would like to enjoy a round of golf and meet a great group of ladies at the same time, this is the place for you. For further information, please contact Nancy Stubbs at 972-669-8909 or Debbie Willens at 248-705-2795.

## Sherrill Park Golf Course

2001 E. Lookout Dr. 972-234-1416  
[sherrillparkgolf.com](http://sherrillparkgolf.com)

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

### Upcoming Tournaments

**April 13:** 2-Man Masters  
**May 18:** Spring Invitational

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

### Golf It Up

The Golf It Up program provides instruction for the new golfer to the intermediate player with varying levels of skill. Golf It Up for the beginning and intermediate player includes eight hours of instruction. For questions, call Sherrill Park Golf Course at 972-234-1416 visit [sherrillparkgolf.com](http://sherrillparkgolf.com) or e-mail [spgolf@cor.gov](mailto:spgolf@cor.gov).

**Tuesdays, April 1-22**

6-8 p.m. • \$140

**Thursdays, April 3-24**

6-8 p.m. • \$140

**Sundays, April 6-27**

3-5 p.m. • \$140

**Mondays, April 28-May 19**

6-8 p.m. • \$140

**Thursdays, May 1-22**

6-8 p.m. • \$140

**Saturdays, May 3-24**

3-5 p.m. • \$140

## Huffhines Tennis Center

1601 Syracuse Dr. 972-744-7870

### Tournaments

May 24

DPTA Junior Circuit #10

**Group Lessons—Adults/Juniors**

April 28-May 16

**Adults Leagues**

March 17-May 2

Cost: \$30

**Private lessons available**



**COTTONWOOD ART FESTIVAL**

**MAY 3-4**  
Saturday 10am-7pm  
Sunday 10am-5pm

**COTTONWOOD PARK RICHARDSON, TX**

**FREE PARKING  
FREE ADMISSION**  
[www.cottonwoodartfestival.com](http://www.cottonwoodartfestival.com)

FEATURED ARTIST - CARL ZACHMANN

## Wildflower! Festival seeks Budding Talent

*Wildflower!* Richardson's Arts & Music Festival's annual youth talent show—the Budding Talent competition—will give young singers a chance to perform at the festival.

Auditions will take place 1-5 p.m. Sunday, April 13, at Heights Recreation Center, 711 W. Arapaho Rd. Winning singers in five categories from preschool (age 3) to 12th grade will perform at the *Wildflower!* Festival on Sunday, May 18.

Contestants will need to sing one song from memory and bring an accompaniment CD to the audition.

They may also accompany themselves on an acoustic guitar or piano or bring an accompanist. Small vocal ensembles of two to four singers are also eligible, but bands are not.

Pre-register for auditions by e-mail at [wildflowerbuddingtalent@yahoo.com](mailto:wildflowerbuddingtalent@yahoo.com). Registration closes at midnight Friday, April 11.



**2014 Wildflower! Student Art Contest FOR THE BIRDS!**

**Crows are here, owls are there, look around... birds are everywhere!**

# Guidelines

- Songbirds, wild birds, even your very own bird designs are welcome to enter Wildflower!'s Annual Student Art Contest.
- The contest is open to all students in Kindergarten - 6th grade.
- Wildflower! will provide 12" square white poster boards. All entries must be designed on these poster boards ONLY so they are uniform in size and will fit our display walls at the Festival.
- Use colored pencils, crayons, markers or paints to cover your whole poster board with lots of detail and color.
- Securely attach your entry form on the back of the poster board.
- Ribbons will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, 3rd and Honorable Mention in EACH grade level. Winners will be posted on the Wildflower! website by May 9, 2014. All entries will be displayed at the Wildflower! Arts & Music Festival, May 16-18, 2014 in the Kidz Korner.
- Entries must be picked up from the Community Events Office the week of May 27 through May 30, 2014.
- For more information, or where to pick up an entry poster board, email [suzanne.etman@cor.gov](mailto:suzanne.etman@cor.gov) or call, 972-744-4584.

[www.wildflowerfestival.com](http://www.wildflowerfestival.com)



### OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Please securely attach this form to the back of your entry.

All entries must be delivered to the City of Richardson's Community Events Office by **APRIL 28th, 2014**. The office is located at 2100 E. Campbell Rd., Ste. 100, Richardson, TX 75081

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Get instant festival info on your mobile phone! [www.wildflowerfestival.com](http://www.wildflowerfestival.com)  
Text WFF to 88500



# 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.

**Great Family Storytelling**  
L.E. Taylor, author of "Elgan and Grace-A Twentieth Century Saga," will hold a three day workshop that will guide students through the skills of writing and composition to sustain the recall process, and equip students with a nourishing storytelling habit. This workshop will stimulate and strengthen the brain through the personal recall of life experiences. You will learn the importance of journal-type writing habits and sharing these stories with others. The three-day workshop will be held April 5, 12 and 19 at 1:10 p.m. for 90 minutes. Cost is \$39.

**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.

**Adult Piano Lessons**  
Dr. Margaret Mulvey Claiborne offers piano lessons adults 55 and older on a monthly basis. Cost is \$65 per month. Call 972-744-7800 for an appointment.

**Quilt Essentials**  
Learn the art of hand piecing and quilting as well as sewing machine piecing and quilting. Beginner and experienced quilters welcome. Class meets Tuesdays from 10 a.m.-8:30 p.m. Cost for beginners and first-time students is \$35 per month and for advanced students is \$15 per month. 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.

**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 April 7. 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 April 22 and 29 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.

**iPad Instruction 101**  
Learn how an iPad will make your PC information portable and convenient. Bring your iPad to class Monday, April 7 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Cost of the class is \$60 with membership; \$65 without membership.

**iPad Instruction 102**  
This class will cover all of the functions and applications available for your iPad. Bring your iPad to class Monday, April 7 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Cost is \$60 with a membership; \$65 without a membership.

**Facebook 101**  
This class is for beginners to learn the basics of Facebook. Learn to sign up and open a Facebook account, log in and out, explore Facebook Pages: home, timeline/wall, insert profile and cover images, set notifications and find/invite friends. Learn how to protect your postings and information on Facebook. Bring your iPad or tablet to class. Class starts April 26, 2-3 p.m. Cost is \$25 with membership, \$30 without membership.

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

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

**Facebook 102**  
Facebook 102 will cover finding and inviting friends on Facebook, organizing lists, controlling the newsfeed and post visibility, block and unfriend, sending and receiving private messages, chat, sharing posts and photos, tagging and privacy settings. Bring your iPad or tablet to class. Class starts April 26, 3-4 p.m. Cost is \$25 with membership, \$30 without.

**New!! Bridge Lessons**  
Learn how to play Party Bridge Wednesdays, April 30-June 4 from 2:30-3:30 p.m. This six-week class costs \$10. Sign up early, number of tables are limited.

**AARP "Smart Driver" Program**  
Anyone 50 years and older may attend. The completion certificate is used for automobile insurance premium reductions. Please check with your insurance company for percentage of reduction. The certificate does not qualify for a traffic citation dismissal. Fee is \$14 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members. Reservations may be made by calling 972-744-7800. Please pay the instructor at the time of the class. Classes are held at the Richardson Senior Center:

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

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

April 7 and 10	6-9 p.m.
April 21 and 24	6-9 p.m.
April 11 and 18	1-5 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.

**All Position Line Square Dance Lessons**  
Class started Jan. 23 and will run through May 29. Fee is \$90 for 18 weeks and class is held 7-9 p.m.

**Friendship Plus**  
The second and fourth Monday 7-9 p.m. Club Level plus Dance-\$7 per dancer.

**Beginner Square Dance Lessons**  
Classes started Jan. 14 and go through May 27. Cost is \$75.

**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.

**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 April 17. Class is 10-11 a.m. and runs for eight weeks. Cost is \$48.

**Conversational French**  
Bonjour! This beginner class provides a solid introduction to the French culture and language. Those wanting to refresh their speaking skills are welcome. Instructor Serge Schragin has taught ESL at Richland College and taught high school French for 11 years. This eight-week session starts May 7 and is 1-2 p.m. \$48.

**Intermediate Conversational French**  
For those that have some knowledge of the French language or have taken the Beginners Conversational French class, Intermediate Conversational French will be the class for you. This eight-week session will start May 7. Class time is 2-3 p.m. Cost is \$48.

## Programs

**Pool Tournaments**  
Pool tournaments are every Friday at 1 p.m. with registration beginning at 12:30 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 2013-2014 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 55 years or older playing at all skill levels. The members are divided evenly into four flights. All play is at Sherrill Park on Monday mornings with a shotgun start and alternates between Course 1 and Course 2. The league is for the enjoyment of golf, and several league rules have been adapted to speed up play and increase the pleasure of the game. Please contact Fred Williams, president, 214-537-4914, or Jim White, treasurer, 972-234-6167.

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

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

**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. Spring birthdays (March, April, May) was celebrated March 31.

**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.

April 5	Gary Lee
April 12	Doc Gibbs
April 26	Dave Brewer

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

**Emeritus Plus 50 program at Richland College**

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

**The Richardson Red Hatters**  
The Richardson Red Hatters welcome all women to put on their red hats, join the group and have some fun. The Red Hatters hold quarterly meetings the first Monday in February, May, August and November at 11:30 a.m. Bring your own lunch, drinks are provided. Meetings are held at the Richardson Senior Center. Next meeting is May 5. Call 972-744-7800 for more information or questions.

**AARP Richardson Chapter**  
The Richardson AARP Chapter #1651 meets the third Monday of the month at 1 p.m. at the Richardson Senior Center, 820 W. Arapaho Rd. All are welcome.

**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.

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

## Robin's Nest Craft Store

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

The jewelry shown at right was made by Patricia English.



972-744-7800

820 W. Arapaho Rd.

Senior Center



**Congratulations, ladies! Tuesday Tatters from the Richardson Senior Center, Mary Jo Mundell, Sarah Wood, Dorie Marnell, Denise Royal and Kelly Day won 3rd place for Best Cultural Display at the 32nd Annual Irish Festival held at Fair Park in Dallas March 2-3.**

### 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.



### 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.



### 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.

### 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.

## Services

### 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.

### 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.

### 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.

### 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.

### First Richardson Helpers

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

### The Memory Café

The Senior Center hosts a new FREE program called "The Memory Café" that is designed for both those who suffer from Alzheimer's/dementia and their family/friends. Participants will be able to socialize, share concerns/ideas and learn more about the issues facing those with memory loss and dementia. Memory Café will meet the first Thursday of the month from 10-11 a.m. The next meeting is April 3.

### 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.

### iHeart Screening

iHeart Center will be at the Senior Center April 16 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. to provide screening for Peripheral Artery Disease (PAD). Please call 972-744-7800 for an appointment.

### Hearing Screening

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

### 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.

## 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.

### 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.

### 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.

### Tai Chi for all Ages

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

### Hatha Yoga for all Ages

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

### Stretch and Strengthen

This class is designed for men and women at all fitness levels. You will regain or improve muscle tone, balance and flexibility. Wear comfortable loose-fitting clothing. 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

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.

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

# Selection announced for 2014 Richardson Reads One Book

“Mr. Penumbra’s 24-Hour Bookstore” by Robin Sloan is the Richardson Reads One Book pick for 2014!

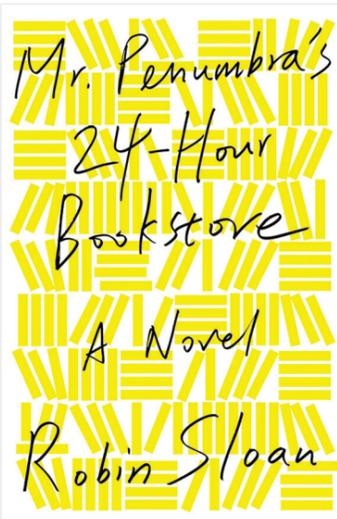
The title was unveiled at a reception on March 25 before a group of supporters of the Richardson Reads One Book (RROB) Program.

This year’s selection is the first book by Sloan, a writer based in California.

He has spent his career trying to figure out the future of the media at companies such as Poynter, Current TV and Twitter. The germ of the idea for “Mr. Penumbra” fittingly came from a tweet Sloan received from a friend that said, “Just misread ‘24hr Bookdrop’ as ‘24hr Bookshop’.” Sloan thought that the idea of a 24-hour bookstore would be a wonderful setting for a story. He first published “Mr. Penumbra” as a short story in a downloadable electronic edition and later expanded the story into a printed novel with a cover that glows in the dark.

The hero of the book is Clay, who has just lost his job as a web designer for a bagel company. Clay finds a new job at a 24-hour bookstore operated by the highly unusual Mr. Penumbra. Very few customers come into the tiny bookstore, and the ones who do come in are mainly interested in borrowing from the “way back” list which is shelved on extremely high shelves accessible only by a tall ladder.

Clay discovers that the books contain some kind of code. What does the code mean? Why does Mr. Penumbra ask Clay to write a description of all borrowers and



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their transactions? Clay’s world of Google, the Internet and the newest technological innovations crashes into the world of the old-fashioned bookstore as he recruits his friends to solve a centuries-old mystery.

RROB is in its 11th year and is part of a national movement started by Seattle’s Nancy Pearl to bring together all segments of communities through the reading and discussion of a single book.

The RROB Board of Directors has been hard at work since last September reading and considering dozens of possible One Book choices. Books are selected for their broad appeal, timely subject matter, and thought-provoking issues. Richardson’s One Book program differs from some in that it includes teen as well as adult readers.

“The Richardson community is going to love discussing this

title,” said Susan Allison, RROB Vice President and Assistant Director of Library Services for the City. “It is a great choice for a city built on high-tech, as it raises questions about the future of the printed book, the pros and cons of technology, the threat to human connections, and the role of the Internet as everyone’s 24-hour bookstore.”

The Library has many copies of the book available for checkout, including audio and large print editions. Special programs and discussions on “Mr. Penumbra’s 24-Hour Bookstore” will be scheduled throughout the year and will be announced on the RROB website at [onebook.cor.net](http://onebook.cor.net).

The highlights of the 2014 program will be Robin Sloan’s free public lecture on Sept. 23 at 7:30 p.m. at Richardson High School, and the classes that he will conduct for selected RHS students.

# TEEN GAME GEEK-OUT!

A NIGHT OF BOARD and CARD GAME FUN

Missing Monopoly, Clue and Jenga? Get gamester @ RPL!

Tuesday, April 1, 6:30-8 p.m.  
Basement Program Room  
For grades 6-12 only.

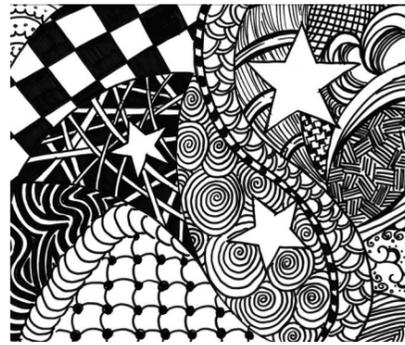
Games available include:

- Boggle
- Cranium Zigity
- Don't Spill the Beans
- Giant Spoons
- Lord of the Rings Monopoly
- Pictureka
- Scattergories
- Twister
- Uno & more!



Bring friends! Snacks included.

# LEARN THE ART OF ZENTANGLE



Zentangle is an easy-to-learn way to create beautiful images from repetitive patterns. Local artist Cristie Campo teaches you to make a beautiful work of art—and you don’t even need to know how to draw!

For adults and teens ages 15+

Saturday, May 3, 10:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.  
Basement Program Room

All materials will be provided for this free class. Space is limited. Registration begins Monday, April 21. Call 972-744-4376 to register.

## Love the Library but hate overdue fees? The Elf reminder service is for you!

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- Pick up reservations before they expire •
- Check due dates for your whole family •
- Get alerts by e-mail, text message or RSS •

Sign up at [LibraryElf.com](http://LibraryElf.com)—it’s FREE!



# CRAFTIVITY!

Crafts & Games

Fun for the whole family!

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

Basement Program Room

For residents and non-residents.

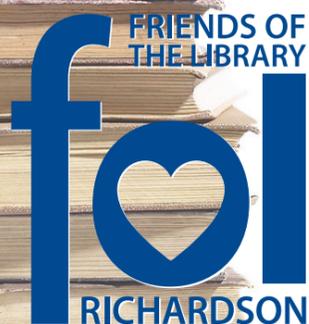
No registration required.

# Spring Book Sale

Friday, April 25 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Saturday, April 26 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday, April 27 2 p.m.-5 p.m.



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# MOVIE MORNINGS

Epic

RATED PG Ages 3+

“Epic” tells the story of an ongoing battle deep in the forest between the forces of good and the forces of evil. When a teenage girl finds herself magically transported into this secret universe, she must band together with a rag-tag team of fun and whimsical characters in order to save their world...and ours.

Saturday, April 26

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

First Floor Program Room

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