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## Wildflower! rocks Richardson May 16-18

The 22nd annual *Wildflower!* Arts & Music Festival, North Texas' largest music festival with more than 60,000 attendees annually, gets underway May 16-18 at Galatyn Park Urban Center in Richardson.



**Cheap Trick**



**Kool and the Gang**

Friday's lineup features rock band Loverboy opening for Kool and the Gang on the LegacyTexas



**Joan Jett and the Blackhearts**

Bank Stage, with Fastball and Vertical Horizon opening for Ed Kowalczyk, formerly of Live, on the Plaza Stage. Disco band Le Freak will perform on the Goose Island Stage.

On Saturday, Foghat and Joan Jett and the Blackhearts will open for Cheap Trick on the Legacy-Texas Bank Stage. Marc Broussard, then Jonathan Tyler and the Northern Lights will open for The Wallflowers on the Plaza Stage.

Entertainment on the final day of the festival will include Jolie

Holliday, Max Stalling, Jack Ingram and Lonestar on the Legacy-Texas Bank Stage.

The Rod Experience, A Tribute to Rod Stewart, will perform five shows during the weekend in the Eisemann Center. Michael Martin Murphey will also perform Sunday in the Eisemann Center.

In addition to the headlining acts, the 22nd annual festival will include food vendors, street performers, a kids' area, art guitar auction and much more.

Stay up to date on the latest *Wildflower!* information at [wildflowerfestival.com](http://wildflowerfestival.com) or on Facebook at [facebook.com/wildflowerfestival](http://facebook.com/wildflowerfestival).



**The Wallflowers**

### Wildflower! Ticket Prices

<b>3-day pass</b>	<b>\$30</b>
<b>Single-day adult</b>	<b>\$20</b>
<b>Children ages 5-12</b>	<b>\$3</b>
<b>Children under 4</b>	<b>Free</b>
<b>Resident single day</b>	<b>\$10 in advance</b>
<b>Kids 12 and under are free with paid adult on Sunday</b>	
<b>Adult tickets are \$10 on Sunday</b>	

**Tickets are on sale now at Metroplex Tom Thumb stores or online through [wildflowerfestival.com](http://wildflowerfestival.com). See page 4 for information about Armed Forces Day on Saturday.**

## Methodist Health System opens its newest hospital

Methodist Health System's newest hospital is now open in Richardson at the southeast corner of Renner Road and President George Bush Turnpike. The new 125-bed, four-story Methodist Richardson Medical Center (MRMC) offers enhanced health care services to residents in Richardson, Garland, Murphy, Plano, Sachse, Wylie and surrounding areas.

"As a community leader, and as a city resident, I feel a tremendous amount of pride in the access we have to quality healthcare in Richardson, and Methodist Health System is one of Richardson's most important community partners," Richardson Mayor Laura Maczka said. "There is a great amount of growth occurring around this location and this new hospital is going to serve as the center point for many of these new residents."

The new hospital will employ almost 900 professionals, and 400-plus physicians representing more than 35 specialties are joining the medical staff.

"Methodist Richardson Medical Center physicians and staff have

anxiously awaited this day," said Ken Hutchenrider Jr., FACHE, president, MRMC. "We broke ground on construction 18 months ago, and this hospital will now offer a phenomenal healing environment for our patients."

All acute care services will be centralized at the new facility, and the Methodist Richardson Campbell Road campus, located at 401 W. Campbell Rd., will undergo a renovation. The updated campus will offer continued use of the two medical plazas and physician offices, a full-service emergency department, and ancillary services such as lab and radiology to support emergency services. Added services will include expansion of the behavioral health and addiction recovery unit to include geriatric behavioral health, and inpatient rehabilitation and long-term acute care will be offered by third-party providers. To better reflect the services available at the Campbell Road facility, its name will change to Methodist Richardson Medical Center—Campus for Continuing Care.



**The new Methodist Richardson Medical Center opened April 14.**

## "Make Mulch, Not Trash"



The City of Richardson has launched a new program to encourage residents to "Make Mulch, Not Trash"—to turn their lawn clippings, leaves and other kinds of yard trimmings into mulch and compost.

"Mulching or composting is definitely a better option than putting all that useful waste into plastic bags and out with the trash," said Richardson Assistant Director of Public Services Travis Switzer. "Using mulch and compost in your yard lets homeowners use less water and less fertilizer, saving them money, and it extends the life of the landfill."

Grass clippings can be left on the lawn, and leaves can be shredded with a lawnmower and used as mulch. Putting them into a compost bin can add vital nutrients that will benefit plants throughout the yard.

The City can also collect yard trimmings through the Brush and Bulky Item Collection (BABIC) program. Yard waste is taken in

special brush trucks, where it's processed into clean compost and mulch and then sold through the Texas Pure Products. (Richardson residents may then purchase discounted mulch or compost from Texas Pure. Visit [texaspureproducts.com](http://texaspureproducts.com) for information.)

To ensure that yard waste is turned into compost and mulch rather than sent to the landfill,

Switzer said that residents need to follow a few easy steps:

- Schedule a BABIC pickup by calling 972-744-4111, visiting [cor.net/recycling](http://cor.net/recycling) or using the MyRichardson app. Be sure to mention that you have yard trimmings for compost.
- Put leaves and grass into a compostable bag (which may be purchased from a local home improvement store) and leave them by the street in front of your home.
- If you have other bulky items (furniture, appliances, etc.) to be picked up, separate brush from those other items.



Currently we are at:



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### Stage 3 spring water restrictions in effect

Stage 3 spring restrictions allow residents and businesses to irrigate lawns twice a month. (See table below.) The North Texas Municipal Water District, Richardson's water supplier, will monitor water supplies through May to determine the level of needed restrictions to take place this summer. For more information visit [cor.net](http://cor.net) or contact the Public Services Department at 972-744-4220 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Stage 3 winter irrigation schedule (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)	<b>1st and 3rd Saturdays</b> (No lawn irrigation watering between 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.)
1, 3, 5, 7, 9 (odd)	<b>1st and 3rd Sundays</b> (No lawn irrigation watering between 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.)

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

### Sanitation schedule/recycle make-up days

Due to the Memorial Day holiday, there will be NO solid waste pick up or special pick up Monday, May 26. The table below shows the recycle make-up days.

Recycle collection days affected by holiday	Make-up day
Monday, May 26	Tuesday, May 27
Tuesday, May 27	Wednesday, May 28

### City facilities close for holiday May 26

Facility	Closing dates/times
City Hall/Civic Center, Municipal Court, Library, Animal Shelter, Gymnastics Center	May 26
Huffhines Recreation Center Heights Recreation Center, Senior Center Sherrill Park Golf Course	Open normal hours
Tennis Center	8 a.m.-6 p.m. May 26

### Early voting for May 27 Primary Runoff Election

Early voting for the May 27 Democratic and Republican Party Primary Runoff Election is available for Dallas County voters May 19-23 at Richardson Civic Center/City Hall, 411 W. Arapaho Rd.

A sample ballot and Dallas County voting day polling locations may be found on the Dallas County Elections website at [dal-lascountyvotes.org](http://dal-lascountyvotes.org). Collin County polling locations and a sample ballot may be found on the Col-

lin County Elections Department website at [co.collin.tx.us/elections](http://co.collin.tx.us/elections). **Dates and times for early voting at Dallas and Collin county locations:**

**May 19-23 (Mon.-Fri.)  
7 a.m.-7 p.m.**

Election Day voting will take place Tuesday, May 27 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.

Voters are reminded that they are required to show a photo ID at the polls. For more information, contact the Dallas County Elections Department at 214-819-6389 or the Collin County Elections Department at 972-424-1460 ext. 1990.

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

### RISD Election is May 10

The Richardson ISD Board of Trustees Election will be conducted Saturday, May 10, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the location designated for your precinct.

Call the Dallas County Elections Department at 214-819-6389 or visit [dallascountyvotes.org](http://dallascountyvotes.org) if you are unsure of your voting location.

Voters are reminded that they are required to show a photo ID at the polls.

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

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

### City Council Action

The following is a listing of some of the main items considered by the Richardson City Council at the March 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](http://cor.net). The agenda is posted on Friday evening prior to the Monday night meeting. You may request a copy of the agenda or more information by calling the City Secretary's Office at 972-744-4292.

**City Council meetings and work sessions are broadcast live on the City's website at [cor.net](http://cor.net) and on the City's cable TV channel on Time Warner Cable, channel 16 and AT&T Universe, channel 99. Taped replays of the meetings are also available on the website within 24 hours.**

#### March 24

**Public Hearing, Zoning File 14-02** and consider adoption of Ordinance No. 4038, amending the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map to grant a change in zoning for a microbrewery located at 640 N. Interurban St., was approved.

**Public Hearing, Zoning File 14-08** and consider adoption of Ordinance No. 4039, amending the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance to allow motor vehicle stor-

age lots by special permit in an industrial district, was approved.

**Variance 14-02:** a request by Doug Stewart, Texas Heritage Surveying, Inc., representing Mabel and Hugh Simpson, and Daniel and Tammie Devoe, for a variance to allow side lot lines for single family lots that are not at right angles to the tangent street line, was approved. The properties are located at 316 Ridgeview Dr. and 1 Ridgeview Circle.

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

If you love rock 'n' roll or just want to celebrate good times, be sure to come to the *Wildflower!* Arts & Music Festival this month! In a city known for great community events, *Wildflower!* is definitely one of my favorites.

During the May 16-18 festival, you'll hear great music from superstars like Kool and The Gang, Joan Jett and the Blackhearts, Cheap Trick and The Wallflowers. You can see some of the top local acts, future stars at the Budding Talent and Battle of the Bands competitions, and some of the best singer-songwriters performing today.

But you also know that *Wildflower!* offers exciting street performances, plus fun for kids of all ages at the Kidz Korner, fantastic food and much more. Music lovers from throughout our region look forward to *Wildflower!* every year, and we are proud to be home to North Texas' premier music festival.

While we're thrilled to welcome tens of thousands of people from across North Texas to *Wildflower!*, we make sure to keep the event special for Richardson residents. In addition to the Sunday ticket promotions (kids get in free with a paid adult, courtesy of Bank of America, plus adult tickets are just \$10, thanks to Cisco Systems), Richardson residents can also buy tickets for half the price of the \$20 entry fee by purchasing a ticket in advance at either the Heights or Huffhines Recreation Centers. Your friends who live in other cities can also take advantage of that deal if they buy 3-day passes at any Tom Thumb store in the Metroplex.

I'd also like to take the opportunity to remind you about the easiest, most convenient parking at the event—across Lookout Drive at the Blue Cross Blue Shield of



Mayor  
**Laura Maczka**  
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Texas parking garage. And we've even opened up a new gateway this year on the north side of the festival grounds that makes walking from the parking garage more convenient.

Finally, events like *Wildflower!* are all about community, and we wouldn't be able to produce the event without amazing support from throughout Richardson. Civic groups and hundreds of volunteers work alongside City staff to make the event happen, and members of the business community provide support through sponsorships and by providing additional volunteers.

This is going to be another great year at *Wildflower!*, and I can't wait to see you out at the festival!

Sincerely,

Laura Maczka  
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## Wildflower! 2014 PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

Schedule as of April 25. All acts, times and locations are subject to change or cancellation without notice.  
For Performers Row schedule, see page 4.

	1 LegacyTexas Bank Stage	2 Plaza Stage	3 Goose Island Stage	4 Courtyard Stage	5 Singer/Songwriter Stage— Bank of America Theatre (Eisemann Center)	6 Hill Hall (Eisemann Center)
<b>FRIDAY, MAY 16</b>	6:30 p.m. Infinite Journey— The Music of Journey 8:15 p.m. Loverboy 10 p.m. Kool & the Gang 	6:15 p.m. Cliffs of Insanity 7:30 p.m. Fastball 9 p.m. Vertical Horizon 10:30 p.m. Ed Kowalczyk, formerly of Live 	6:15 p.m. Party Static 7:45 p.m. Urizen 9:15 p.m. Wildflower! street dance featuring Le Freak 	6:15 p.m. Dallas Songwriters Association (DSA) Spotlight 7:30 p.m. Jen Hajj 8:30 p.m. Robin Hackett 9:30 p.m. Heather Styka	6:30 p.m. Butch Morgan 7:30 p.m. Bill Ward & 2-Bit Palomino 8:45 p.m. Albert & Gage 10:15 p.m. Marcia Ball Band 	9 p.m. The Rod Experience— A Tribute to Rod Stewart 
<b>SATURDAY, MAY 17</b>	1 p.m. The Buffalo Ruckus 2:15 p.m. RTB2 3:45 p.m. The Sideshow Tragedy 5:15 p.m. Andrew Tinker 6:45 p.m. Foghat 8:30 p.m. Joan Jett and the Blackhearts 10 p.m. Cheap Trick	noon Bad Mountain 2:45 p.m. The Willy Collins Band 4:15 p.m. Battle of the Bands 5:45 p.m. The Soft White Sixties 7:15 p.m. Marc Broussard 8:45 p.m. Jonathan Tyler and the Northern Lights 10:30 p.m. The Wallflowers	11:30 a.m. Corey Howe 1 p.m. Jaden Farnsworth 2:30 p.m. Johnny and the Gringo 4 p.m. Emily Grace Berry 5:30 p.m. Jay Johnson 7 p.m. Eddie Lott 8:15 p.m. Joe Tucker 9:45 p.m. A Hard Night's Day	11 a.m. DSA Spotlight 2 p.m. Ellen Tipper 3 p.m. Butch Morgan 4 p.m. Drew Kennedy 5 p.m. Carolyn Currie 6 p.m. Marc Douglas Berardo 7 p.m. Libby Koch 8 p.m. Paddy Mills 9 p.m. Ben Bochner 10 p.m. DSA Spotlight	11:30 a.m. Songwriters Contest—10 Finalists 1:30 p.m. Lost & Nameless Orchestra 2:30 p.m. BettySoo Trio 3:30 p.m. Songwriters Contest Winners Announced 3:35 p.m. Steve Seskin 4:45 p.m. Beth Wood 6 p.m. Chris Rosser 7:15 p.m. Ellis 8:30 p.m. The Laws 9 p.m. Hal Ketchum	4, 6:30, 9 p.m. The Rod Experience— A Tribute to Rod Stewart 
<b>SUNDAY, MAY 18</b>	1:45 p.m. Jolie Holliday 3:15 p.m. Max Stalling 4:45 p.m. Jack Ingram 6:30 p.m. Lonestar 	<b>"Tribute Band Sunday"</b> 1:45 p.m. Oliver's Army <i>Elvis Costello tribute</i> 3:15 p.m. Panic Morrisey/ <i>The Smiths tribute</i> 4:45 p.m. Def Legend <i>Def Leppard tribute</i> 6:15 p.m. Swan Song <i>Led Zeppelin tribute</i>	1:30 p.m. Mountain Vintage Vibe 3 p.m. The Day Job Refugees 4:30 p.m. Rhythm 'n' Roses 6 p.m. Redline	12:30 p.m. DSA Spotlight 2 p.m. Robby Hecht 3 p.m. Ian Dickson 4 p.m. Cole Risner 5 p.m. DSA Spotlight	1 p.m. Budding Talent Vocal Competition 2:30 p.m. Songwriters Contest Winners' Song Swap 3:45 p.m. BettySoo, Beth Wood, Butch Morgan, Robby Hecht Song Swap	4 p.m. The Rod Experience— A Tribute to Rod Stewart 6:15 p.m. Michael Martin Murphey 



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# Wildflower! Arts & Music Festival

6 p.m.-midnight Friday • 11 a.m.-midnight Saturday • 12:30-8 p.m. Sunday WildflowerFestival.com #wildflowerfest



## Weekend highlights

Big names in music aren't all that will be at this year's *Wildflower!* Arts & Music Festival. There's family fun, and entertainment from open to close. Check out these highlights, and visit [wildflowerfestival.com](http://wildflowerfestival.com) to see even more!

### THROUGHOUT THE FESTIVAL

Sunnyland Fiesta Siesta

### FRIDAY

**Wildflower! street dance featuring Le Freak** at the Goose Island Stage!

### SATURDAY

#### ARMED FORCES DAY

Present a military ID at any gate, and you and one guest will receive half-off admission. (Does not apply to advance tickets sold online.)

### SUNDAY

#### HALF PRICE SUNDAY

Courtesy of Cisco, Sunday admission is just \$10 for adults! And kids 12 and under get in free with a paid adult!

#### Budding Talent Finals

**1 p.m., Bank of America Theatre (Eisemann Center)**

This year's contestants include:

**Seedlings:** Preschool/Kindergarten

**Sprouts:** Grades 1-3

**Buds:** Grades 4-6

**Jr. Wildflower!:** Grades 7-9

**Wildflower!:** Grades 10-12

## #LegacyTexasBank photo promotion

Do you use Facebook, Twitter or Instagram? If so, you have a chance to participate in their photo promotion at Wildflower! Be sure to look for their photo stations throughout the festival. To find out more, visit [legacytexasbank.com/wildflower](http://legacytexasbank.com/wildflower).

## Food Vendors

**A La Carte/The Skillet** (variety)

**Amazing Ad Specialties**

(Cuban/carnival/variety)

**Ben & Jerry's** (ice cream)

**Conway Corndogs**

(corndogs and funnel cakes)

**Crazy Otto's**

(pretzels/fried meatloaf/lemonade)

**Crepe Crazy** (crepes/desserts)

**J Bob's Kettle Corn & Fudge**

(kettle corn/pork skins)

**Jersey Mike's** (sub sandwiches)

**Mr. Snowie** (snow cones)

**Marble Slab Creamery** (ice cream)

**Mario's** (pita wraps)

**Maui Wowi** (smoothies/nuts)

**Pizza By the Slice** (pizza)

**Raising Cane's**

(chicken fingers/french fries)

**Satay Hut** (kabobs)

**Sonny Bryan's** (barbecue)

**Spudzilla Potatoes** (potatoes)

**T.C. Country Corn** (roasted corn)

**T's Pizza Cones** (pizza cones)

**Tiff's Treats** (cookies)

**Texas Pit Stops** (wild game sausage)

**Come check out Performers Row in front of the Eisemann Center!**  
(Performance times are as of April 21.  
Schedule is subject to change)

### Friday

6:30 p.m. The Drum Line

8 p.m. JJ Pearce High School Mustang Stampede Dance Team

### Saturday

noon The Drum Line

12:30 p.m. Hula Hoop Dancing

1:30 p.m. FLIPPENOUT Xtreme Trampoline Show

2:30 p.m. The Drum Line

3:30 p.m. COR Gymnasts & Slinky Girl

4:15 p.m. Hula Hoop Dancing

4:30 p.m. FLIPPENOUT Xtreme Trampoline Show

5:15 p.m. The Drum Line

6 p.m. Berkner High School Ramblers Dance Team

7:30 p.m. FLIPPENOUT Xtreme Trampoline Show

### Sunday

1 p.m. The Drum Line

## Performers Row Schedule



2 p.m. FLIPPENOUT Xtreme Trampoline Show

3 p.m. Hula Hoop Dancing

3:45 p.m. The Drum Line

4:30 p.m. FLIPPENOUT Xtreme Trampoline Show

5:30 p.m. The Drum Line

6 p.m. Richardson High School Desperados Dance Team

7 p.m. FLIPPENOUT Xtreme Trampoline Show



## There's fun for kids of all ages at Kidz Korner!

The Kidz Korner sponsored by Pan-American Benefits Solutions is a fun and colorful festival stop where kids of all ages will find all kinds of games, activities and entertainment geared just for them.

Kidz Korner is located just south of the LegacyTexasBank Stage.

### Don't miss...

Hula Hoop Loop

"FOR the BIRDS" Student Art Contest Display

The Rock Star Karaoke Stage

Richardson YMCA

Gigantic Bounce House Slide

COR Petting Zoo

Rock Climbing Wall

Kidz Huge Sand Pit

Free Kidz Crafts

Live Butterfly Tent

SpringFree Trampoline

Balloon Twister

Face Painting



## Support arts education and NETWORK at the Guitar Art Auction

Festival sponsors, celebrities, sports figures and local artists are invited to enter a decorated guitar. Guitar entries, either electric or acoustic, can be transformed, painted, tiled, air-brushed or gilded in gold—there are all kinds of expressions of individuality, music, even *Wildflower!* itself.

The guitars are displayed in the Eisemann Center and sold in a silent auction for the duration of the festival. Proceeds from the auction benefit NETWORK of Community Ministries and secondary-level fine art programs in Richardson ISD.

**Bidding ends at 5 p.m. Sunday, May 18!**



**WildRide**  
AGAINST CANCER  
Methodist Richardson Medical Center Foundation



**Saturday, May 17**

6 a.m.—Registration

8 a.m.—Bike Rally

Join us for the 11th annual WildRide! Against Cancer! The event raises funds to support programs and services that benefit cancer patients and their families and is run by the Methodist Richardson Medical Center Foundation.

Cyclists can choose from 16, 40, or 64 scenic miles that start in Richardson and pass through Plano, Murphy, Wylie and

Garland; cross the dam at Lavon Lake and meander through Nevada and Josephine.

**This year's event will start and finish at Fujitsu, 2801 Telecom Parkway in Richardson.**

Ride registration is \$30 (\$15 for ages 4-12). To register, visit [WildRideBikeRally.com](http://WildRideBikeRally.com) or call 972-498-7678.

# Command center keeps *Wildflower!* running smoothly

As tens of thousands of people enjoy the many sights and sounds of the three-day *Wildflower!* Arts & Music Festival, a small group of City employees and consultants work tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure that festivalgoers have a safe and pleasant experience.

Those who staff the festival's command center track weather, traffic, schedules and anything else that could affect the *Wildflower!* experience. They are constantly surrounded by dozens of video feeds, screens, communications equipment and the latest technology to take a constant pulse of the festival. The team is comprised of workers from several City departments who work together to ensure Richardson's biggest event of the year runs seamlessly.

"The command center is like the central nervous system of the *Wildflower!* Festival," said Roger Scott, assistant director of the Richardson Parks and Recreation Department. "We use it to sense what is happening inside the festival as well as outside events that could have an impact on attendees."

Some issues may be foreseen and addressed months in advance, such as when a local high school held a prom at a hotel on the festival grounds during one of the event's busiest nights. Others, including pop-up spring thunderstorms or nearby traffic accidents, must be handled as they happen. Either way, the City and its partners begin meeting in January of each year to begin preparing for a variety of situations that could occur.

"We have to be ready for anything that might happen," Scott said. "We do our best to try and foresee every scenario that could play out. We develop plans to alleviate a problem or situation that creates a difficulty for anybody enjoying the festival."

The command center team meets each morning of the festival for a briefing of daily events and conditions. Throughout the day it is staffed by members of the City's Parks, Emergency Management, Police, Fire, Finance, Information Technology and Traffic departments. It also serves as a home base for the City's CITV and Health departments.



Dozens of video feeds in the command center help staff monitor weather and traffic and anything else that could affect an enjoyable experience during the *Wildflower!* Festival.

As *Wildflower!* has grown from its humble beginnings in 1993 to Richardson's biggest annual event, the command center has become increasingly important in ensuring concertgoers enjoy their time at the festival. Between endless shows on six stages, dozens of food and drink vendors, art exhibits,

street performances and the many other events that happen each day, the command center team stays busy from before the gates open until guests have headed out for the night.

"The command center has really strengthened the opportunity for the festival to run smoothly and

efficiently," Scott said. "We strive to create a pleasant experience for all attendees from the time they head our direction to the time they travel home again. We want them to remember Richardson as a safe, fun and vibrant destination."

## Community workshop will discuss Main Street/Central Corridor Study

In 2012, the City of Richardson and the Richardson community created a vision for redevelopment and revitalization of Main Street and the Central Expressway Corridor—Richardson's original downtown and the major access route to the community, its business areas and neighborhoods. This vision was reviewed by the City Council in January 2013 and additional research has been underway since. The public is invited to participate in a rezoning initiative that will help carry out the community's vision for this area.

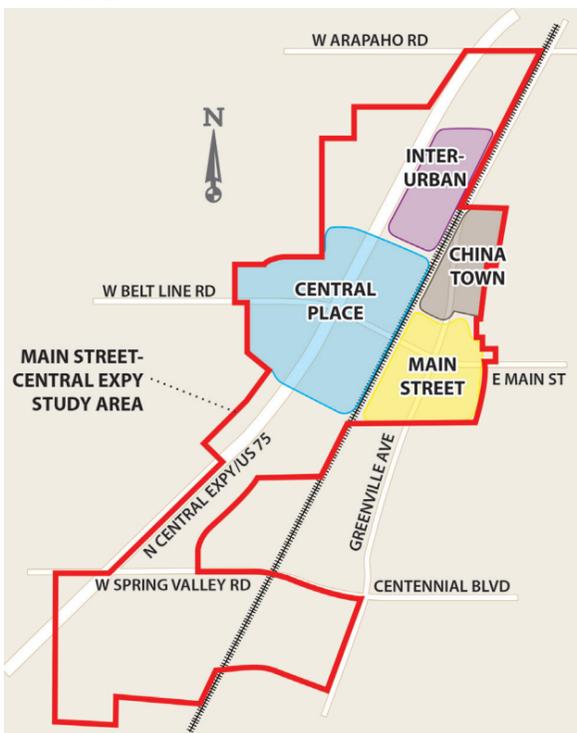
The City will host an initial Community Workshop on Wednesday, May 14 from 6:30-9 p.m. at the Richardson Civic Center/City Hall Complex (411 W. Arapaho Rd.) to begin the public discussion of rezoning the Corridor. Initial rezoning efforts will focus on four sub-districts within the larger Corridor area—Main Street, Central Place, Chinatown and Interurban. The larger Corridor area is approximately 415 acres in size and extends generally from the southern city limit to Arapaho Road. The four sub-districts represent approximately 162 acres. A map of the larger Corridor area and its sub-districts is available at [cor.net/mainstreetcentral](http://cor.net/mainstreetcentral).

This workshop is intended for initial discussion of rezoning options and objectives; specific proposals will be developed after the workshop. Property owners and persons interested in the future of this area can help achieve an improved Main Street/Central Expressway Corridor by providing input.

Please confirm your attendance at the Community Workshop by e-mail at [MainStreetCentral@cor.gov](mailto:MainStreetCentral@cor.gov) or by contacting Planning Projects Manager Tina Firgens at 972-

744-4248. Additional details on the Main Street/Central Expressway Corridor-Rezoning Initiative are available on the city's website at [cor.net/mainstreetcentral](http://cor.net/mainstreetcentral).

Accommodation requests for persons with disabilities should be made at least 48 hours prior to the Community Workshop by contacting Susan Mattison, ADA Coordinator, via phone at 972-744-0908, via e-mail at [ADACoordinator@cor.gov](mailto:ADACoordinator@cor.gov), or by appointment at 1621 E. Lookout Dr., Richardson, TX 75082.



## Become a friend of the *Wildflower!* festival



So, you want rock star treatment, huh? You want access to the best seats in the house, the best parking, and the hospitality pavilion with complimentary food and drinks? Then we've got the goods for you!

Back by popular demand, the *Wildflower!* Friends of the Festival program allows individuals and small business owners the opportunity to become involved in the event through this unique sponsorship program.

As a Friends of the Festival participant you'll receive two Hospitality Passes, which include free parking good for the entire festival weekend and an official souvenir festival poster. If you've ever been in the Hospitality Suite you know it's THE place to be with full catering, complimentary beer, wine, hot dogs, popcorn and soft drinks, lots of networking and just plain fun! All of these great perks can be yours for the small price of \$300.

So treat yourself, your family, your friends, your clients or your coworkers to a weekend filled with non-stop fun, eclectic entertainment and continual music. There's something for everyone at *Wildflower!* Arts and Music Festival.

To reserve your credentials visit the *Wildflower!* homepage at [wildflowerfestival.com](http://wildflowerfestival.com) and click on the Friends of the Festival link to find the form that can be e-mailed, faxed or mailed to:

**Community Events**  
**Attn: Suzanne Etman**  
**2100 E. Campbell Rd.**  
**Ste. 100**  
**Richardson, TX 75081**  
**[suzanne.etman@cor.gov](mailto:suzanne.etman@cor.gov)**

The deadline for packages is Monday, May 12, so sign up soon!

To sign up or for more information, please contact Suzanne Etman at 972-744-4584, or [suzanne.etman@cor.gov](mailto:suzanne.etman@cor.gov).

## Altrusa honored for support of Animal Shelter

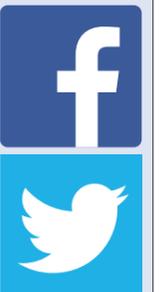
Several City Council members joined members of the Animal Services Advisory Commission and the Health Department to present a plaque to Altrusa of Richardson to thank the nonprofit for its support of the Animal Shelter. Altrusa donated funds to help renovate a cat room, which provides an area for adoptable cats to play and interact with visitors.

The updated room also includes a video camera that provides a live stream to the Animal Shelter's website. Watch the cats at play at [cor.net/video/aslogin.html](http://cor.net/video/aslogin.html).



**Follow *Wildflower!* on social media for live updates**

Be sure to follow *Wildflower!* on both Facebook and Twitter—we'll be covering the festival live, giving you updates from every stage, plus posting photos of all the fun from each day. And if you're out at the festival, be sure to use the hashtag #WildflowerFest.

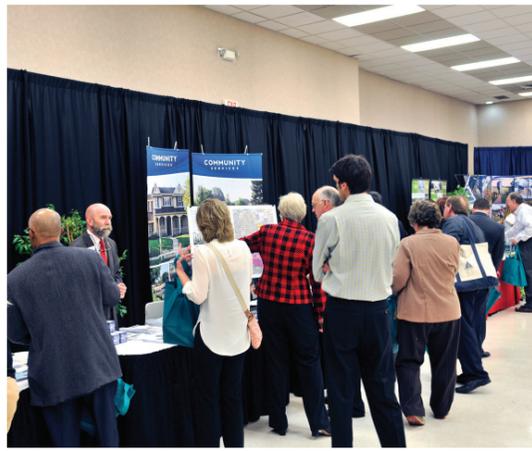


# Realtors workshop highlights Richardson destinations, projects

The City of Richardson hosted more than 200 Realtors and real estate professionals at its annual Realtors workshop last month at City Hall. The event is designed to give Realtors an up-close look at the City and its partners and provide resources to expand their knowledge about economic development, education opportunities, the cultural arts, social services and more.

City Manager Dan Johnson gave an update on the City's infrastructure and maintenance plans, and Deputy City Manager David Morgan spoke about unique Richardson restaurants and retailers. Other speakers included Methodist Richardson Medical Center President Ken Hutchenrider and KDC Executive Vice President Walt Mountford, who spoke about the new Methodist Richardson Medical Center and the CityLine development and State Farm's new campus, respectively.

"The workshop provides an opportunity for real estate professionals who sell homes in Richardson to learn more about the city and the many exciting projects happening here," said Assistant City manager Don Magner. "We want to provide them with important information about the city so they can pass it on to the individuals or families looking to relocate in the area."



## Map shows updated mosquito information

**The City of Richardson map shown indicates the 12 mosquito management areas and the 12 locations of the mosquito trap testing sites. Go to [cor.net/mosquito](http://cor.net/mosquito) and click on the area where you live to see the weekly mosquito trap test results, dates storm drains were sprayed and dates truck-mounted ground spraying was done (if necessary).**

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

**[cor.net/mosquito](http://cor.net/mosquito)**

## Property Tax valuations mailed in May

Property valuation notices for 2014 should arrive in Richardson mailboxes this month. Homeowners often do not realize that all city, county and school taxes are based, in part, on property valuations determined by their central appraisal district (CAD) office. If owners disagree with the property valuation, they have the right to protest it with the central appraisal district office listed on the notice, not the city.

Homeowners residing in Dallas County will receive a notice in the mail from the Dallas CAD only if their property value increases, the ownership changes, the property was rendered, or the property had a capped value in the previous year. However, an appraisal notice will be available on all accounts via the Dallas CAD website, [dallascad.org](http://dallascad.org). All homeowners living in the Collin County portion of Richardson will receive a notice from the CAD of Collin County whether or not their appraisal changes.

For Richardson residents living in Dallas County, protests and questions should be directed to the Dallas CAD (2949 N. Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, TX 75247-6195) at 214-905-9402 or 214-631-0910 or [dallascad.org](http://dallascad.org). Residents

of Collin County should direct their protests and questions to the Collin CAD (250 Eldorado Pkwy., McKinney, TX 75069) at 469-742-9200 or [collincad.org](http://collincad.org). The CAD websites contain appraised values, exemption information, online maps, forms and FAQs.

**Written protests must be filed not later than 30 days after the date of the notice or May 31, whichever is later.**

In the past, many taxpayers have lost opportunities to protest property valuations because they failed to file their written protest within the deadlines set by the Texas Legislature. If taxpayers disagree with the appraised value or an exemption status, they should file a written protest with the appraisal district office immediately. This protest should identify the property owner, the location of the property in dispute, and a general statement as to the nature of the protest. The protest must be filed by the deadline date

stated on the valuation notice. If the protest is filed on time, the Appraisal Review Board (ARB) will hear the case in the taxpayer's respective district. The taxpayer will be notified in writing of the scheduled hearing date, which will be at least 15 days after the date the notice of hearing is mailed. The ARBs begin their Protest Hearings in May and finish in July. Following their Protest Hearing property owners will be mailed an Order Determining Protest from the ARB. The Board's decisions can be appealed to the District Court or settled through binding arbitration.

### Property Tax Basics booklet available

These procedures and all other details about property valuations are further explained on the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts website. The internet link for the page on Property Tax System Basics can be found at [www.cpa.state.tx.us/taxinfo/proptax/basics.html](http://www.cpa.state.tx.us/taxinfo/proptax/basics.html).

If you live in:			
Dallas County		Collin County	
Tax	Pay to	Tax	Pay to
City	Dallas County	City	Collin County
County	Dallas County	County	Collin County
School	RISD	School	Collin County

# City doing its part to help conserve water



**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 [ntmwd.com](http://ntmwd.com).**

With the state of Texas facing drought conditions that have not been seen in almost 60 years and lake levels in North Texas at dangerously low levels, Richardson residents have done their part to help the city meet the 10 percent conservation mark set by the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTWMD). The District has asked its member cities, including Richardson, to limit irrigation watering to twice per month (the first and third weekends) and the City is doing everything it can to conserve water. However, Richardson residents may notice irrigation systems on City properties running during other time periods in order to keep water towers charged on weekends for residential use.

"We have to meet public health and safety needs, protect our facilities and help maintain overall water pressure in the City's system," Superintendent of Parks Dan Baker said. "Because of the amount of acreage with athletic fields, playgrounds, foundations and building structures, we have to water outside the publicly mandated water restriction times, but we are still maintaining watering schedules that will meet or exceed conservation efforts."

According to Baker, the City irrigates 650 acres during normal conditions, but with the drought and water conservation measures that number has dropped to only 300 acres.

"The average home may have 8 to 10 irrigation zones," said Baker. "Crowley Park has 120 irrigation zones and while we have turned off the zones that don't affect public

safety or structures, it still takes us three days, twice a month to irrigate the essential areas of the park to ensure we are protecting investments in park facilities."

The City has implemented several conservation measures and strategies during the drought and will continue to explore other options that will help to conserve water. The following are some examples of what the City is doing to meet or exceed the 10 percent conservation goal:

- Manually water some medians and other areas only as needed using reclaimed water harvested while water main lines are purged for public health.
- Recent installation of "SMART" irrigation controllers to manage water delivery in the most efficient way.
- Water athletic fields on an as-needed basis.
- Allow grass to grow taller to help it retain moisture so it needs less watering.
- Water at night using reclaimed water or by manually turning on irrigation system to help maintain pressure and limit evaporation.
- Regularly inspect planting areas and only water as needed.
- Ornamental fountains may run for shorter periods.
- Coordinate watering times to help relieve system pressure and availability.
- Apply fertilizer in May to establish healthy turf that will be more drought-resistant.

If you have any questions or would like more information, contact the Public Services Department at 972-744-4220.

## "See What's New" in RISD

Join us for the second annual "See What's New in Richardson ISD" and learn about your school district. Get to know Superintendent Dr. Kay Waggoner and see what's new.

The event will be held Wednesday, May 21 from 8:30 a.m. to noon and will begin with a continental breakfast at the Richardson ISD Administrative Building, 400 S. Greenville

Ave. After breakfast and an introduction by Dr. Waggoner, attendees will board a RISD school bus to start the fun-filled morning.

The tour and breakfast are open to Richardson ISD residents who are 55 years of age and over. Space is limited so sign up today! Please RSVP to Elaine Simmons at 469-593-0301.

## Police Memorial Service is May 12

**The public is invited to attend the Richardson Police Department National Police Week Memorial Service Monday, May 12 at 8:30 a.m. The service will be held along the circle drive near the flag poles between the 9-1-1 Center and the Police Department located at 140 N. Greenville Dr.**

972-744-4300

cor.net/parks

Parks & Recreation

Now hiring for summer aquatics positions!

- 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 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

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

To book tee times and to tour both courses, visit sherrillparkgolf.com



Upcoming Tournaments

- May 18: Spring Invitational
- June 15: Parent/Child
- July 20: 3/4 Scramble
- Aug. 30-31: City Championship
- Sept. 21: Two Man Event

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 or e-mail spgolf@cor.gov.

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
- May 30-June 1  
32nd Annual Richardson Open

Group Lessons—Adults/Juniors

May 26-June 13  
June 23-July 11

Adult Leagues

June 9-July 25  
Cost: \$30



Private lessons available

Summer Slam Tennis Camps

Come have summer fun at Huffhines Tennis Center! The Tennis Center is offering summer tennis camps for players 5-16 years of age. The camps are for all levels, from beginner to advanced.

Bring a tennis racquet, a hat/visor and a small snack. If you don't have a racquet, the Tennis Center has demo racquets to get players started, and proper size of racquet will be selected.

Hours: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Cost: \$150 for a full week \$40 daily

June 9-13  
June 23-27  
July 7-11

July 21-25  
Aug. 4-8  
Aug. 18-22

**Cottonwood ART FESTIVAL**

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

**COTTONWOOD PARK RICHARDSON, TX**

**FREE PARKING  
FREE ADMISSION**  
www.cottonwoodartfestival.com

FEATURED ARTIST - CARL ZACHMANN

2014 City of Richardson Aquatics

Pools open daily Sunday, June 1

Canyon Creek Pool

Open: 1-8 p.m.  
Closed: Mon.  
600 Aspenwood Dr.  
972-671-0185

Cottonwood Pool

Open: 1-6 p.m. Mon., Wed.-Fri.  
1-8 p.m. Sat., Sun.  
Closed: Tues.  
1321 W. Belt Line Rd.  
972-644-7156

Glenville Pool

Open: 1-8 p.m.  
Closed: Tues.  
500 S. Glenville Dr.  
972-671-0187

Terrace Pool

Open: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tues.-Fri.  
1-8 p.m. Sat., Sun.  
Closed: Mon.  
300 N. Lois Ln.  
972-671-0190

Heights Family Aquatic Center\*

\*Opens May 24  
Open: 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Mon.-Fri.  
noon-9 p.m. Sat., Sun.  
709 W. Arapaho Rd.  
972-744-7856

All children under 7 years of age MUST be accompanied by an adult 16 years or older in a swimming suit. The adult must be in the water within arm's reach at all times while the child is in the pool. If your child limits his/her use to the baby pool areas, you must remain with your child, but it is not necessary to wear a swimsuit.

Day Cares: The City of Richardson has specific guidelines for day care centers and other groups of children who visit our pools. To register your group, please call 972-744-7893.



Splash Day

Saturday, May 31

FREE ADMISSION  
Heights, Canyon Creek, Cottonwood, Glenville and Terrace pools

Free Swim Lessons

9 a.m.-noon, Sat., May 31  
Glenville Pool  
Call 972-744-7893 to register.

Private Party Reservations

Private Party Reservations are available throughout the summer. Sign up beginning at 9 a.m. May 1. Call 972-744-7892.

Canyon Creek, Cottonwood, Glenville and Terrace Pools

Number of people	Rental Fees
1-25	\$100
26-50	\$125
51-75	\$150
76-100	\$200

Heights Family Aquatic Center

Number of people	Rental Fees
Up to 100 people	\$300
101+	*

\*Price for 101+ people is \$25 per additional 25 people up to a maximum of 600. Example: A party with 101-125 people is \$325; 126-150 people is \$350; etc.

"Number of people" includes EVERYONE who enters the gates including non-swimmers. Parties must have one adult (over 18) for every 10 children (7-17 years) and one adult for every three children under 7 years. NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OR GLASS CONTAINERS. Reservations must be made and paid in full one week in advance. All reservations are dependent upon staff availability and weather conditions.

Heights Family Aquatic Center will also offer 90-minute pavilion reservations during public hours. The cost is \$25, plus admission for party-goers.

2014 Richardson pool and aquatic center fees

Season passes now available at recreation centers!

	Canyon Creek, Cottonwood, Glenville and Terrace Pools*	Heights Family Aquatic Center**
Daily resident admission	\$2	\$4
Daily non-resident admission	\$4	\$8
Season pass (resident)	\$30	\$45
Season pass (non-resident)	\$40	\$65
Family pass (up to 4 people; resident only)	\$100	\$150

\*Not good for admission to Heights Family Aquatic Center.

\*\* Heights Family Aquatic Center season passes may be used for admission to any City pool. Must be purchased at Heights Family Aquatic Center, Heights Recreation Center or Huffhines Recreation Center.

No charge for children ages 3 and younger. Resident admission to Heights Family Aquatic Center requires proof of residency. Visit cor.net/parks or call the Aquatics Office at 972-744-7892 for more information.

## Crime prevention spring tuneup

Spring is here and that usually means it's time to get out and enjoy the weather, work in the yard and do a little maintenance on our homes. This is also a good time to review some basic crime prevention methods that you can utilize around your house.

When trimming shrubs, keep them low enough so you can see a person who may try to use them as concealment. If you are planting new shrubs, consider thorny varieties under windows and along fence lines. Tree branches should be trimmed so that you have clear visibility under the tree (six feet up is recommended.)

Remember to check your exterior doors, since temperature changes can cause doors to not close securely. Make sure door

handles and deadbolts extended fully into the strike plates and door frame and adjust and replace as necessary.

Exterior lighting fixtures may need adjusting or replacement and make sure adequate lighting surrounds all outside corners of the home. Lighting helps neighbors see what's happening in the neighborhood at night and also aides patrol officers working to protect your neighborhood when it's dark. Make sure your address number is clearly visible in the front and back of the home.

If you enjoy opening the windows, check and double-check that you lock them when you close them. Many home burglary reports indicate windows were left

unsecured, and this makes it easy for bad guys to enter the home.

Repair damaged fencing around the yard, and make sure that gates close tightly and are secured when you're not at home.

When neighborhoods and residents maintain their homes, this helps create a sense of ownership. This can aide in detecting strangers in the area that don't belong and may be looking to commit a crime. If you add a video surveillance system to the outside of your home, make sure to register it with our Neighborhood Video Crime Watch program at richardsonpolice.net.

If you have questions, contact the Richardson Police Department's Crime Prevention Unit at 972-744-4955.

## City partners with Air North Texas

The City of Richardson recently became an official partner of Air North Texas campaign.

The Air North Texas Campaign is a regional partnership and outreach effort that:

- Offers the public a comprehensive resource with air quality information and education.
- Promotes a consistent air quality message across the region.
- Leverages existing resources and program strengths in a collaborative effort.
- Motivates residents to make choices that reduce emissions.



Increases public awareness of specific opportunities for residents to reduce emissions.

You can help reduce air emissions by making simple changes like adapting the way you drive and commute, maintaining your vehicle and reporting smoking vehicles.

The Air North Texas website, [airnorthtexas.org](http://airnorthtexas.org),

allows you the opportunity to sign up for e-mail notifications about air quality and additionally gives great information about air quality in the region.

## City will host free compost seminar June 28

**10 a.m.-noon**  
**Richardson Service Center**  
**1260 Columbia Dr.**  
**Free**

Backyard composting helps save landfill space by keeping grass clippings and leaves out of the solid waste stream.

Instead, these materials are transformed into valuable nutrients for the yard and flowerbeds. This seminar is intended for both beginner and more advanced composters. Participants will learn the basics of backyard composting, as well as advanced tips and techniques.

The seminar is taught by Mary Tynes, a nationally known expert on backyard composting and is the site editor of [mastercomposter.com](http://mastercomposter.com). She also publishes the newsletter "Digging Deeper Into the Pile," which provides helpful tips, information on controlling

pests, experiment results, suggested projects for scouts or students, methods for hard-to-compost items, information, book and video reviews.

Tynes has also spoken extensively at local and national composting events. Help the environment and help your landscape by attending this free seminar.

Please contact Ryan Delzell at 972-744-4404 to make reservations, as space is limited for this event.



## Mentoring offered for new amateur radio licensees

The Richardson Wireless Klub now offers free group mentoring sessions for new amateur radio operators at 5:30 p.m. the second Monday evening of each month at St. Barnabas Presbyterian Church in Richardson.

The informal sessions bring together new amateur radio licensees with experienced operators. The Klub's mentors answer the many questions often encountered by new hams. After passing an FCC examination, the wide array of radio equipment and antennas available often is confusing. Some new hams are also electrical engineers, but most are non-technical and appreciate the informal help.

The Richardson Wireless Klub is one of hundreds of special service amateur radio clubs across America providing community services. Volunteers coordinate monthly emergency siren tests with the City of Richardson, and members also participate in the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) and the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES).

Ham volunteers also provide communications support for the Richardson Christmas Parade, bike rallies, and other races and events sponsored by local charitable organizations.

For more information call 972-931-7993 or go to <http://k5rkw.org>.



Members of the Richardson Wireless Klub participate each year in the annual American Radio Relay League's Field Day.

## Rabies vaccination clinic is May 3

Richardson's Animal Services will host a low-cost rabies vaccination clinic Saturday, May 3 from 1-3 p.m. at the Animal Shelter, 1330 Columbia Dr.

The cost is \$5 for altered pets and \$10 for unaltered pets and includes a 2014 City registration. Please have dogs leashed and cats contained. For more information, call 972-744-4480.

## Annual Pet Adoptathon is May 31

The Richardson Animal Shelter will hold an adoptathon Saturday, May 31 from 1-4 p.m. at the Shelter, 1330 Columbia Dr.

The event will offer a \$15 "Home Again" microchip option for each pet adopted from the Shelter, and adoption fees will also be discounted.

Admission is free. There will be vendors, pet treats, raffles and prizes, refreshments, rescue groups on hand and more.

Give a loving animal a new "leash" on life.

Call 972-744-4480 or visit [cor.net/animalservices](http://cor.net/animalservices) for more information.

## RPD announces new program, Youth Citizen Police Academy

The Richardson Police Department has announced a new program geared towards teenagers who are 14 to 17 years of age. The Youth Citizen Police Academy is a week-long program that begins July 28 and ends Aug. 1. Applicants will have the opportunity to learn about the operations of the Richardson Police Department in a fun, interactive course. Some of the topics include K-9 unit, SWAT, Patrol Tactics, Crime Scene Investigation, Drunk and Distracted Driving, as well as others. All classes are taught by Richardson Police Officers. The academy is limited to teens who



live or attend school in Richardson. To learn more and apply, visit [richardsonpolice.net](http://richardsonpolice.net) or call the Crime Prevention Unit at 972-744-4955.

## Register for RPD's Safety Camp

The Richardson Police Department's annual summer safety camps will be held Monday-Friday from 9 a.m.-noon at the Richardson Police and Fire Substation, 2003 E. Renner Rd. The weekly sessions begin June 9 and end the week of Aug. 11 and the fee is \$10 per child, per week.

If your child has completed kindergarten and has not yet started 4th grade, he/she is eligible to attend.

Parents may drop off as early as 8:30 a.m. and must pick up no later than 12:30 p.m. each day. An adult is required to check child in the first day of camp and stay for a brief meeting. Children may attend only one session. Children who have NOT attended safety camp in the past will be given priority first, if any openings exist after those registrations are processed, prior attendees will be placed.

### Learn about:

- 9-1-1
- Stranger danger
- Internet safety
- Animal safety
- Poison safety
- Water safety
- And much more!

E-mail [SummerSafetyCamp@cor.gov](mailto:SummerSafetyCamp@cor.gov) or call 972-744-4949 for more information. Visit [www.cor.net/parksonline](http://www.cor.net/parksonline) to register (Find registration codes online under the Special Interest section of Summer Day Camps.)



## 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).

### Sprinkler System Quick Fixes #111

Learn basic hands-on repairs and maintenance to home automatic sprinkler systems. A properly functioning sprinkler system saves you time, money and water!

Thur., May 1, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

### Lawn Care Maintenance #102

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.

Tues., May 20, 6:30-8:30 p.m.



# Eisemann Center/Cultural Arts/Community Events

## At the Eisemann Center

2351 Performance Dr.

Tickets: 972-744-4650 or eisemanncenter.com

### Children's Chorus of Collin County presents

*To Music*

7 p.m. May 3

Bank of America Theatre

Tickets: \$15-\$35

childrenchorusofcollincounty.org

### Richardson Symphony Orchestra presents

Season Finale

with featured guest artist

Alexander Schimpf, piano

8 p.m. May 3

Hill Performance Hall

Tickets: \$10-\$87

richardsonsymphony.org

### Richardson Community Band presents

*Just for Fun*

2 p.m. May 4

Hill Performance Hall

Tickets: \$5-\$7

richardsoncommunityband.org

### KJ Dance presents

*Giving Gala*

2 p.m. May 4

5 p.m. May 4

Bank of America Theatre

Tickets: \$20-\$30

kjdance.com

### Chamberlain School of Ballet presents

2014 Annual Spring Recital

2 p.m. May 10

7 p.m. May 10

Hill Performance Hall

Tickets: \$15-\$25

chamberlainschoolofballet.com

### Texas Ballet Theater presents

*Circus* junior performance

6 p.m. May 10

Bank of America Theatre

Tickets: \$8-\$12

texasballettheater.org

### Lone Star Wind Orchestra presents

*Of Time and Place,*

a Mother's Day Celebration

2:30 p.m. May 11

Hill Performance Hall

Tickets: \$20-\$40

lonestarwindorchestra.com

### Toby's School of Dance presents

*Dances at a Gathering*

6:30 p.m. May 23

Hill Performance Hall

Tickets: \$14-\$22

tobysdance.com

### Hathaway Academy of Ballet presents

2014 Academy Performance

6:30 p.m. May 24, 25

5 p.m. May 26

Hill Performance Hall

Tickets: \$10

hathawayballet.com

### The Contemporary Chorale presents

*Magic To Do*

2:30 p.m. May 31

7:30 p.m. May 31

Bank of America Theatre

Tickets: \$18-\$25

contemporarychorale.org

### Dance Industry Performing Arts Center presents

*Just One Night*

7:30 p.m. May 31

Hill Performance Hall

Tickets: \$7-\$28

danceindustry.net

### Red Door Dance presents

*Tune In*

2 p.m. June 1

6:30 p.m. June 1

Hill Performance Hall

Tickets: \$8-\$12

dancereddoor.com

## At the Senior Center

820 W. Arapaho Rd.  
972-744-7800

### Special Events

#### Out to Lunch Bunch

#### May 20—Red Lobster

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!

#### 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. Feast your eyes on paintings that explore the art and culture of food and dining in America in "Art and Appetite: American Painting, Culture, and Cuisine." Lunch is at the Kimball Art Museum before the docent-guided tour at the 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 are in bloom... it must be spring! It is time for our Spring Concert with the Richardson Community Band. Light refreshments served after the concert.

#### Health and Information Fair

#### June 11—10 a.m.-1 p.m.

No fee. Information from local agencies and businesses offering all aspects of senior services will be available to answer questions. Health screenings available as well. Enjoy entertainment in our café while you take a lunch break. Door prizes will be given throughout the day.

#### Father's Day Brunch

#### June 13—11 a.m.

You are invited to our first Father's Day Brunch. All are welcome to join us in our celebration honoring fathers. Entertainment provided.

### Carter Eye Center Van

#### June 16—10 a.m.-1 p.m.

The Carter Eye Center Van will be in the Senior Center's north parking lot on Monday, June 16, to do free screenings for eye disease. No appointment needed.

### Health Connection Online Safety for Silver Surfers

#### May 15—10 a.m.

No fee. McAfee, in partnership with the National Cyber Security Alliance, has developed an older adult friendly curriculum to help you stay safer on the Internet. You will learn safety tips to surf with confidence!

### Funeral Pre-Planning

#### May 22—10 a.m.

No fee. Restland Funeral Home will provide valuable information on final-needs option, financial considerations, pre-planning and more. Refreshments and door prizes!

### Travel Opportunities

#### 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.)

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.

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.
- Visit the homestead of Edgar Allan Poe.
- See some of the country's greatest art museums.
- See the B&O Railroad Museum and the Museum of Industry.
- Visit distinctive and colorful Baltimore neighborhoods.
- A private tour through the Maryland Historical Society Museum with a War of 1812 expert.
- Tour the Star-Spangled Banner Flag House.
- Cocktails, dinner, and speakers at the opulent Engineers Club of the Garrett-Jacobs Mansion.

### What's New in Downtown Dallas with Rose-Mary Rumbley

#### Sept. 4

Cost: \$89

A motor coach will depart the Senior Center at 9 a.m. and head downtown. Dr. Rose-Mary Rumbley will lead the group on an eye opening tour around downtown Dallas, to see what's new in this rapidly changing area.

Highlights include:

- See Dallas from the top of the newly renovated and remodeled Reunion Tower.
- The new dazzling facilities of First Baptist Church, which includes their captivating fountains that entertain to music.
- The new performing spaces in the Dallas Arts District.
- Klyde Warren Park, built over Woodall Rogers Freeway.
- The new developments in West Dallas arising near the new Margaret Hunt Hill Bridge.

The tour will also include much more, as explained by one of Dallas's most sought-after speakers.

## Richardson Woman's Club hosts golf tournament

The Richardson Woman's Club will host its 7th Annual Philanthropic Golf Tournament at 1 p.m. Friday, May 9, at Sherrill Park Golf Course, 2001 E. Lookout Dr.

The tournament format will be a four-person shotgun scramble, and it will feature two special teams. The Scholarship Team includes Richardson ISD Superintendent Dr. Kay Waggoner, UT Dallas Police Chief Larry Zacharias, Richardson City Manager Dan Johnson and Ken Presley from Frost Bank.

The Community Outreach Team will include Richardson Mayor Laura Maczka, Joe Snayd of The Counseling Place and Methodist Richardson Medical Center, Mary Boyter of Ark House and the Richardson Symphony Orchestra and a representative from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas.

Entry fee is \$125. To register visit richardsonwomansclub.com or contact Tournament Chair Mary Jane White at 972-672-5209 or jmjwhite@tx.rr.com.

## 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

May 7, 7-8:45 p.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry" by Rachel Joyce. Facilitated by Pat Curry. Call Janet Vance at 972-744-4376 for info.

#### Second Wednesday BOOKbabble Group

May 14, 10:30-11:45 a.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "The Son" by Philipp Meyer. Call Janet Vance at 972-744-4376.

#### Third Wednesday BOOKbabble Group

May 21, 10:30-11:45 a.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "Mr. Penumbra's 24 Hour Bookstore" by Robin Sloan. Call Penny Manly at 972-744-4350 for info.

#### Fourth Tuesday BOOKbabble Group

May 27, 7:30-8:45 p.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "The Weight of Small Things" by Sherri Wood Emmons. Call Janet Vance at 972-744-4376 for info.

#### Teen Programs Bookface Me!

May 6, 6:30-8 p.m. First Floor Program Room.

### Children's Activities

#### Family Storytime

Every Monday, 6:45-7:15 p.m.

(No Storytime on May 5.)

Children's Program Room.

Everyone welcome.

#### Cinco de Mayo Celebration!

May 5, 7-8:30 p.m. Basement Program Room.

#### LEGO "Box of Bricks" Challenge

May 10, 2:30-3:30 p.m. First Floor Program Room.

#### Movie Mornings: Turbo

May 24, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Children's Program Room.

#### Tales for Tails

May 25, 3-4 p.m. Children's Program Room.

Read to live dogs!

#### Computer Classes

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

#### Job Searching on the Internet

May 16, 10-11:30 a.m.

#### Internet 101

May 23, 10 a.m.-noon

#### General Interest

#### Zentangling with Cristie Campo

May 3, 2-4 p.m. Basement Program Room.

Ages 15 and up.

The Library will be closed Monday, May 26, for Memorial Day.

### RCAS Meeting and Demonstration

May 20, 6:30-8:45 p.m. Basement Program Room. Richard Prather, Oil Landscape.

### Mixed Media Workshop

May 24, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Basement Program Room. Presented by Julie Flandorfer. For adults and teens ages 13 and up. Call 972-744-4376 to register, beginning May 12.

### Special Interest

**Dewey KNIT?**, an adult knitting program. May 3, 2-4 p.m. First Floor Program Room. Call 972-744-4355 for information.

### Writers' Guild of Texas

May 19, 7-8:30 p.m.

Basement Program Room.

### Community Writers' Critique Group

May 21, 6-8:45 p.m.

Basement Program Room.

### Richardson Historical & Genealogical Society

May 15, 7-8:30 p.m.

Basement Program Room.

Genealogy program presented by Don Raney.



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### Coming up at the Civic Center

#### North Texas Cake Show

May 17-18

northtexascakeshow.com

#### Dallas Bridge Tournament

May 22-25

d16acbl.org/U176

#### Scholastic Book Fair

May 27-28

scholasticbooks.com

**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 9. Call 972-744-7800 for more information.

**Hours of Operation: Mon., Tue., Thurs., 8 a.m.-9 p.m.—Wed. and Fri., 8 a.m.-5 p.m.—Sat., 1-5 p.m.**

**Special Events and Trip Information**  
Special events and trip information can be found on page 9 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.

**Fundamentals of Windows**  
You will learn the differences of Windows 7 and 8, Vista and XP. This class will help prepare you for when you are ready to explore other computer programs. Classes are held Mondays from 1-2 p.m. The next four-week session starts May 5. 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 May 20 and 27 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, May 5 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, May 5 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Cost is \$60 with a membership; \$65 without a membership.

**iPhone iOS 7, 101**  
A beginners' class to learn the basics of the iPhone. Learn what the buttons and icons can do for you! Also receive tips on the new iOS 7 operating system. You will learn how to update to iOS 7, use Control Center, Notification Center, AirDrop, Multitasking, face time and more. Bring iPhone to class Saturday, May 24 from 2-3 p.m. Cost is \$25 with membership, \$30 without membership.

**iPhone iOS 7, 102**  
This class will cover storing contacts, taking and sending pictures, adding helpful free programs to your iPhone, camera improvements, the new look for Safari, Siri and face time. Also receive tips on the new iOS 7 operating system. Bring iPhone to class Saturday, May 24 from 3-4 p.m. Cost is \$25 with membership, \$30 without membership.

**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. You will learn the importance of journal-type writing habits and sharing these stories with others. The three-day workshop will be held May 10, 17 and 24 at 1:10 p.m. for 90 minutes. Cost is \$39.

**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.

**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.

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.

**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.

**New!! Bridge Lessons**  
Learn how to play Party Bridge Wednesdays from 2:30-3:30 p.m. This six-week class costs \$10. Classes will resume in September.

**AARP "Smart Driver" Program**  
Anyone 50 years and older may attend. The completion certificate is used for automobile insurance premium reductions. Please check with your insurance company for percentage of reduction. The certificate does not qualify for a traffic citation dismissal. Fee is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members. Reservations may be made by calling 972-744-7800. Please pay the instructor at the time of the class. Classes are held at the Richardson Senior Center:

May 1	8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
May 16	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:

May 5 and 8	6-9 p.m.
May 19 and 22	6-9 p.m.
May 17 and 24	1:15-4:15 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 June 12. 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**

**Happy Birthday Party**  
Summer birthdays (June, July, August) will be celebrated June 30.

**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.

**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.

May 3	Gary Lee
May 10	Doc Gibbs
May 24	Bill G Band
May 31	Tommy Chandler

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

**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.

**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.

**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 crafts shown at right were made by Barbara Brewster.



972-744-7800

820 W. Arapaho Rd.

Senior Center



**Ballroom instructor Dru Farris has danced for more than 50 years and has taught ballroom for more than 30. Ballroom dance is a fun way to stay active and meet new friends. Dru offers both private and group dance lessons at the Senior Center. For more information please call 972-744-7800. Couples pictured left to right: Barbara Jarvis-Mallory and Henry Mallory, Diane McMahon-Bergan and instructor Dru Farris, and Dani and John Rotramel.**

### 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

### 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.

### Chair Massage

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

### 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.

### 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@FirstRichardson-Helpers.org.

### Benefits Counseling

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

### Counseling Services

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

### RSVP Volunteer Program Help Needed!!!

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



### Blood Pressure Checks

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

### Volunteer Opportunities

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

### The Memory Café

The Senior Center hosts a new FREE program called "The Memory Café" that is designed for both those who suffer from Alzheimer's/dementia and their family/friends. Participants will be able to socialize, share concerns/ideas and learn more about the issues facing those with memory loss and dementia. Memory Café will meet the first Thursday of the month from 10-11 a.m. The next meeting is May 1.

### iHeart Screening

iHeart Center will be at the Senior Center July 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.

## 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.

**Summer WaterAerobic Classes begin June 2** at two locations. 3 punch card options.

10-class card - \$40

6-class card - \$24

4-class card - \$16

Punch card can be used for any class.

Schedule for summer is as follows:

**Rise and Shine:** Cottonwood Pool 7:30-8:30 a.m. M-F

Designed for the intermediate to advanced students, ages 16 and older. Aqua shoes are suggested.

**Morning Glories:** Cottonwood Pool 8:45-9:30 a.m. M, W, F

Designed with all fitness levels in mind. This class is for all ages including active seniors. Aqua shoes are suggested.

**SPF 45:** JJ Pearce High School Natatorium 10:15-11 a.m., M, F

This indoor class is designed with all levels in mind including active seniors. Aqua shoes are suggested. For more information, 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.

### 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

## Library hosts Texas gardening guru

The Library will host Texas gardening guru Neil Sperry on Tuesday, June 3, at 10:30 a.m. in the Grand Hall of the Richardson Civic Center, 411 W. Arapaho Rd.

Sperry will speak about common gardening dilemmas and his hot off the presses new book, "Neil Sperry's Lone Star Gardening." Afterwards he will take questions from the audience and will sign copies of his new book or any of his old books that audience members would like to bring with them. "Neil Sperry's Lone Star Gardening" is only available directly from Neil Sperry or through his website (neilsperry.com) and



Neil Sperry

Texas radio station WBAP 820 AM. Additionally, he broadcasts to more than 50 stations statewide with his daily Plant Talk Texas and weekend Texas Lawn and Garden Hour. "Neil Sperry's Complete Guide to Texas Gardening" is the fourth best-selling gardening hardback book in the history of American publishing. *The Fort Worth Star-Telegram* and 16 other Texas newspapers feature Neil's weekend gardening column, and he also owns and publishes "Neil Sperry's GARDENS" magazine.

The program is free and open to everyone. For more information, call Janet Vance at 972-744-4376.

will be available for purchase at the program.

His name has been synonymous with Texas gardening since 1970. Sperry's radio program is currently broadcast by North

## LEGO "BOX OF BRICKS" CHALLENGE!

What can you build with a box of LEGOs?

Join us and let your imagination soar!

Saturday, May 10, 2:30-3:30 p.m.\*

First Floor Program Room

\*Free ticket required and will be available from Youth Services at 10 a.m. May 10. For ages 6-10 only. LEGOs provided.

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



## MOVIE MORNINGS

### Turbo

RATED PG Ages 3+

Saturday, May 24  
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

First Floor Program Room

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



## Tales for Tails

For Readers in Grades K-4

Read to real dogs from Heart of Texas Therapy Dogs!

3-4 p.m., Sunday, May 25  
Children's Program Room

For information, call 972-744-4358

## 2014 Young Authors

Write, illustrate and bind a picture book for preschoolers!

Fridays, June 13-Aug. 8

(No class on Friday, July 4)

10:30-11:30 a.m.

Basement Program Room

Registration begins Tues., May 27

For Richardson residents entering 5th-9th grades. Registration and valid Richardson Library card required; register by phone at 972-744-4358, or in person in the Youth Services Dept.

To be published, participants MUST ATTEND 4 OUT OF 8 CLASSES. Please check the Young Authors class schedule for the list of required classes

Completed books must be turned in by Monday, Aug. 18, at 8:45 p.m.

Participants, please arrange to meet your parents immediately after the meeting is over

### CLASS SCHEDULE

#### Writing Classes

June 13: Learn It!

Professional children's book author and educator Anastasia Suen presents a young writer's workshop.

June 20: Brainstorm It!

Discuss ideas about plot, characters and other story elements.

June 27: Writing Exercise!

#### Editing Classes

July 4: NO CLASS

July 11: Illustrate It!

With professional artist Julie Flandorfer. Attendance at this class is not required, but recommended.

July 18: Rough Draft

Write the first draft of your book.

July 25: Revise It!

Second draft

#### Prepare For Publishing Classes

Aug. 1: Proof It!

Aug. 8: Finish It!

Work on details for book completion and turn in completed book.

Aug. 18:

Completed books must be turned in by Monday, Aug. 18, at 8:45 p.m.

## SUMMER STORYTIMES

### Ages 3-6 Storytime

An eight-week program for children ages 3-6 filled with stories, puppets, songs and fingerplays. Children must be age 3 by June 9, 2014. Children attend Storytime independently. Limit one guest per child—one time only. Program runs June 9-Aug. 6. No Storytime the week of July 1.

Choose one of the following times:

Monday 2-2:30 p.m. or 6-6:30 p.m.

Tuesday 2:45-3:15 p.m.

Wednesday 10:15-10:45 a.m.

### 1st & 2nd Grader Storytime

An eight-week program for children going into 1st or 2nd grades filled with stories, puppets, songs and fingerplays. Children attend Storytime independently. Limit one guest per child—one time only. Program runs June 9-Aug. 6. No Storytime the week of July 1.

Choose one of the following times:

Monday 2:45-3:15 p.m.

Tuesday 3:30-4 p.m. or 7-7:30 p.m.

Wednesday 11-11:30 a.m.

Required registration begins May 27. Visit Youth Services or call 972-744-4358.

For Richardson residents. Valid Library card required.

## Celebrate cinco de mayo

Monday

May 5

7-8:30 p.m.

Basement Program Room

• Enjoy a puppet show

• Teatro de títeres

Lunes

5 de mayo

7-8:30 p.m.

Salón de Programación en el sótano

• Make cinco de mayo crafts!

• ¡Manualidades para niños!

• Listen to traditional Mexican music performed by Mariachi Estrellas of Garland

• Música tradicional mexicana con Mariachi Estrellas de Garland

For more information, call Youth Services at 972-744 4358. Para más información, llame al Departamento de Niños al 972-744-4358.

## Celebre el cinco de mayo

SUMMER READING KICKOFF

### TOP SECRET

Fun audience participation!

Magic tricks and spy gadgets!

Saturday, June 7

noon-1 p.m.

1st Floor

Youth Services Department

Funded in part by the Friends of Richardson Library and the City of Richardson through the City of Richardson Arts Commission.

For more information, call 972-744-4358.

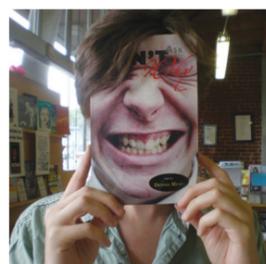
SPY MAGICIAN

James Wand

Back by popular demand!

YOUR MISSION—should you choose to accept it—is to help James Wand as he shares his tales of TOP-SECRET OPERATIONS.

Help him SOLVE CLUES and DECRYPT SECRET CODES in an exciting ADVENTURE that will take you around the world!



## BOOKFACE ME!

Be the teen book you only dreamed of... (well, at least the cover)

Tuesday, May 6

6:30-8 p.m.

Grades 6-12 only



Book covers become you! Match yourself to a book in an RPL book collection and let's make book-face art! 1st Floor Program Room.

For more information, call 972-744-4358.



## MAY MIXED MEDIA WORKSHOP

Saturday, May 24

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

Basement Program Room

All materials provided!

ADULTS & ages 13+

Registration for this FREE workshop begins May 12.

Call 972-744-4376 to register.