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Wildflower! rocks for 20th anniversary

The 20th annual Wildflower! Richardson's Arts & Music Festival, North Texas' largest music festival with more than 70,000 attendees annually, gets under way May 18, 19 and 20 at Richardson's Galatyn Park Urban Center.

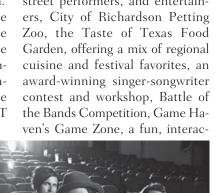


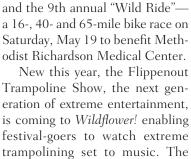
Joe Walsh

Located just minutes north of Dallas at US 75 and Galatyn Parkway, Wildflower! is the area's premier arts and music festival, drawing local and national acts performing the best in classic rock, reggae, R&B, Texas blues, funk, pop, alt-rock, folk and Americana.

Wildflower! takes place in the Galatyn Park Urban Center, home to the Renaissance Hotel, the Eisemann Center for the Performing Arts, the Amli Galatyn Station Luxury Apartments and the Galatyn Park Station on the DART light rail system.

Named "Best of the Fests" by D Magazine, Wildflower! also features: four outdoor performance stages, the Market Place featuring arts and crafts, the Guitar Art Auction, the Kidz Korner featuring children's games and activities, street performers, and entertain-





tive gaming area with 10-12 video

screens featuring the latest games

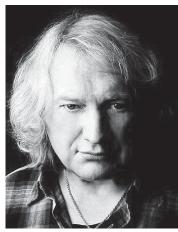
Trampoline Show, the next generation of extreme entertainment, is coming to Wildflower! enabling festival-goers to watch extreme trampolining set to music. The show's performances feature twisting triple flips, complex acrobatic routines, heights of 25 feet or more, snowboards, skis, balls, and Cirque du Soleil-like action off of the only transparent wall in the world used in trampoline shows.



The Commodores

Partial list of bands performing: (complete schedule on pgs. 3-4)

- Joe Walsh
- Nelly



Lou Gramm

- Lou Gramm the Voice of Foreigner
- Dashboard Confessional
- The Commodores Mark Chesnutt
- Chic with Nile Rodgers
- Neal McCoy
- Augustana
- Guy Clark
- AbbaMania—The Abba Tribute
- Le Freak—
- World's Greatest Disco Band
- Beth Nielsen Chapman
- A Hard Night's Day
- John Gorka

For complete, up-to-date event information visit www.wildflowerfestival.com, text WFF to 88500, call 972-744-4580, or follow Wildflower! on Facebook at http://www. facebook.com/wildflowerfestival.



Dashboard Confessional

Wildflower! marketing expands to reach outside of Metroplex

Wildflower! Richardson's Arts & the City's Convention and Visitors Bureau are working to expand the reach of Wildflower! marketing.

Using radio stations in Wichita Falls, Tyler, Longview and Lawton, Okla., the City is promoting Wildflower! with prize giveaways that include festival tickets and VIP packages that include a hotel

A pilot program in 2011 showed success, so it was expanded this

"The hotels we worked with had their best years ever," said Convention and Visitors Bureau Director Geoff Wright. "This helps drive more business to our hotels and to create more awareness of Richard-

He said it is difficult to track Music Festival has become a pop- how much of the added hotel busiular event among those who live in ness can be directly attributed to the Metroplex, but organizers and the Wildflower! marketing. But this year, there will be better monitoring in place to determine how successful the program is.

Benefits of the program are both short-term and long-term. First, the City receives hotel tax revenue, as well as sales taxes from visitors' spending. But ultimately, showing off the community helps promote Richardson as an active and culturally diverse City.

"We're introducing Richardson and our culture to new people," Wright said. "If you get a CEO or another executive down here, they can then say, 'Here is another reason why we need to go to Richard-



Richardson City Manager Bill Keffler signed an administrative order April 3 to rescind the City's more restrictive Stage 3 water conservation measures and allow a once-per-week outdoor watering schedule for homes and businesses. The new order expands upon available water uses under the City's current Stage 3 ordinance. The change follows new guidelines adopted during a special meeting held March 29 by the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD).

"We're in a much better position now than we were at this time last year," said Richardson Mayor Bob Townsend. "That's why the North Texas Municipal Water District feels we can safely move forward with allowing more watering. Of course, there are still challenges due to the loss of access to water supplies from Lake Texoma because of the zebra mussel infestation. And, as we learned this past summer, the prospects for rain are always uncertain. However, we're glad the District is recommending that we can alleviate some water restrictions, and keeping Stage 3

will help us continue to do our part in conserving this vital resource for the future."

Lake Texoma represents 28 percent of the total capacity of water available to the NTMWD, which is Richardson's water supplier. The District is actively working on options to allow pumping from the lake to resume, but anticipates water from Lake Texoma will be unavailable until at least the summer of 2013. Even though the District's other reservoirs are either 'at' or 'near' full capacity, the loss of water from Lake Texoma is enough to require the need for water conservation efforts to continue until the water supply issue can be resolved.

The City has developed the Stage 3 irrigation schedule below based on the guidelines requested by the NTMWD.

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For a complete list of Stage 3 watering restrictions and possible fines, visit www.cor.net or use your smartphone to scan this QR-code.



Stage 3 outdoor irrigation schedule (once a week until further notice)		
Last digit of address	Allowed landscape watering days	
2, 4, 6, 8, 0 (even)	Saturdays	
1, 3, 5, 7, 9 (odd)	Sundays	

No outdoor watering is allowed between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.





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Early voting for Primary Election begins May 14

Early voting for the May 29 Democratic and Republican Primary Election is available May 14-25 at the Richardson City Hall/ Civic Center Complex, 411 W. Arapaho Rd. for Richardson residents who live in Dallas County. Richardson Collin County residents have several locations at which to vote early on the same dates and hours. Visit www. co.collin.tx.us/elections for a list

If a runoff election is required, it will be held July 31.

For more information, contact the Richardson City Secretary at 972-744-4290, the Dallas County Elections Department at 214-637-7937, Collin County Elections Department at 972-547-1990, or Citizens Information Services at 972-744-4104. More information can be found on the Dallas County Elections website at www. dalcoelections.org or on the Collin County Elections website at www. co.collin.tx.us/elections.

Dates and times for early voting at all Dallas and Collin County locations:

May 14-18 8 a.m.-5 p.m. 7 a.m.-7 p.m. May 19 May 20 1-6 p.m. May 21-25 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

Polls are open Election Day Tuesday, May 29 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

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

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Resident,

May is one of my favorite months to live in Richardson, as we host two great community

We start the month with the Cottonwood Arts Festival, which is celebrating its 44th year. This is a free event that is recognized as the premier fine arts festival in North Texas. Artists come from across the country to display and sell their artwork, and thousands of people from Richardson and surrounding communities come to Cottonwood Park to see some amazing work. As there is every year, the festival will include crafts and activities for the whole family, as well as musical entertainment.

Another big event for us is Wildflower! Richardson's Arts and Music Festival, which will take place May 18-20. The City Council and I are excited about the musical lineup, which includes hall-of-famer Joe Walsh, Nelly, The Commodores and the legendary Guy Clark. With that stellar list of musicians, we are expecting the largest Wildflower! crowd ever.

This year is a major milestone in Wildflower! history, as we celebrate the 20th year of the festival and the 10th at the Galatyn Park Urban Center. And later this year, we will be recognizing another major milestone for the cultural arts in our City, as the Eisemann Center celebrates its 10th anni-

Cottonwood, Wildflower! and the Eisemann Center have been central to Richardson's vibrant



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arts community for many years. Still, the City Council and the Arts Commission want to build upon that strength. The Arts Commission has been working for several months to develop a Cultural Arts Master Plan, which will be complete this summer.

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Whether you enjoy the fine art at Cottonwood, live music at Wildflower! or performing arts at the Eisemann Center, Richardson has much to offer. And with a new master plan to help guide us, the arts will have even more of a presence in our community in the

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Dallas County changes voting precinct numbers

Due to changes in commissioner precinct boundaries, based on the 2010 census, the Dallas County Elections Department has changed voting precinct numbers. Although precinct numbers have changed, the precinct boundaries and voting locations have not changed. There have been no changes to Collin County precincts.

The list of Richardson precincts indicates the previous precinct number and the new precinct number assigned by the County. The first digit of the number reflects the Commissioner Precinct and the second digit reflects the

city code for Richardson which is now 5. *The majority of residents in precincts 2701 and 2702 live in Garland and is why the second digit is 7 rather than 5.

For more information, contact the Dallas County Elections Department at 214-637-7937 or visit www.dalcoelections.org

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1714	2512
1715	2513
1716	2514
1717	1502
1721	1503
1722	1504
1726	1505
2101	2701*
2102	2702*

Holiday 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 28. The table below shows the **recycle** make-up days.



Recycle collection days affected by holiday	Make-up day
Monday, May 28	Tuesday, May 29
Tuesday, May 29	Wednesday, May 30

City facilities close for holiday

The Richardson City Hall/Civic Center complex, the Library, Municipal Court and Animal Shelter will be closed Monday, May 28, in observance of Memorial Day. All offices will reopen at 8 a.m., Tuesday, May 29. Heights and Huffhines Recreation Centers and the Senior Center will be open normal hours on Monday. Huffhines Tennis Center will be open but will close at 7 p.m. Call the Police Department at 972-744-4800 for emergencies when the Animal Shelter is closed.

City Council Action

The following is a listing of some of the main items considered by the Richardson City Council at the Feb. 27 and March 12 meetings. Citizens are welcome to attend Council meetings (second and fourth Mondays of each month at 7:30 p.m.) and work sessions (every Monday at 5:30 p.m.). The Richardson City Council Agenda is posted at City Hall on a bulletin board at the west end of the building and can be found on the City website, www.cor.net. The agenda is posted on Friday evening prior to the Monday night meeting. You may request a copy of the agenda or more information by calling the City Secretary's Office at 972-744-4292.

City Council meetings and work sessions are broadcast live on the City's website at www.cor.net and on the City's cable TV channel on Time Warner Cable, channel 16 and AT&T U-Verse, channel 99. Taped replays of the meetings are also available on the website within 24 hours.

Feb. 27

Public Hearing, Zoning File 11-28: A request by Gene Millar, representing Team Group, Ltd., to rezone a 12.4-acre lot with modified development standards for the expansion of an existing cold storage facility at 401 N. Grove Road (Northwest corner of Grove Road and Apollo Road) was approved.

Consent Agenda

Approved the following Ordinances: Ordinance No. 3853, amending the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map to grant a change in zoning to grant a special permit for an indoor soccer facility with special conditions for an inline hockey arena on a 1.23-acre tract of land located at 1000 Hampshire Lane.

Ordinance No. 3854, amending the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map by amending and restating Ordinance No. 3849 by amending the Special Conditions and Concept Plan for a patio home devel-

Approved Resolution No. 12-02. suspending the March 6, 2012, effective date of Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division ("Atmos Mid-Tex") requested rate change to allow the City time to study the request and to establish reasonable rates.

March 12

Public Hearing, Zoning File 12-02: A request by Howard L. Lawson, representing the Lawson Co., for a change in zoning with special conditions and with a special permit for an indoor self-service warehouse with special conditions for a portion of 528 W. Arapaho Rd. (north side of Arapaho Road, west of Custer Road), was approved.

Consent Agenda

Approved the following Ordinance: Ordinance No. 3857, amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Chapter 6, by amending Section 6-345(a) regarding the appeal of a

decision of the Building and Standards Commission, by amending Section 6-367 to add Subsection (53) regarding Structural Standards for Food Preparation Areas; by amending Chapter 13, by amending Section; 13-157 regarding Garage/Occasional Sales, by amending the definition of Open Storage in Section 13-161, by amending Section 13-162(a) regarding Open Storage requirements; by amending Chapter 14, by amending Section 14-2 Enumeration of Nuisances to add Subsection (13) regarding the Parking of Certain Vehicles, and by amending the definition of Junked Vehicle in Section 14-61.

Approved Resolution No. 12-03, establishing an administrative fee for the expenses related to the City causing the work to be done to keep property free from weeds, rubbish, brush and any other objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter of whatever nature as authorized by the Code of Or-

Wildflower!

2012 PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

Schedule as of April 25. All acts, times and locations are subject to change or cancellation without notice.

	Viewpoint Bank Amphitheater	2012 PERF metroPCS Stage	3 Bud Light Stage	Courtyard Stage	are subject to change or cancella Singer/Songwriter Stage — Eisemann Center	Hill Hall Eisemann Center
FRIDAY, MAY 18	6:30 p.m. El Cento 8 p.m. Chic with Nile Rodgers 10 p.m. The Commodores	6 p.m. TBA 7 p.m. galleryCAT 8:30 p.m. Le Freak 10:30 p.m. Nelly	6:15 p.m. Willy Kickit 7:30 p.m. TBA 8:45 p.m. The King Bucks 10:30 p.m. Day Job Refugees	6:15 p.m. Dallas Songwriters Association Spotlight 7:30 p.m. Crystal Yates 8:30 p.m. Tom Faulkner	6:30 p.m. Jillian Edwards 7:30 p.m. Bill Ward & 2-Bit Palomino 8:45 p.m. Andy Gullahorn 10 p.m. Beth Nielsen Chapman	Methodist Richard- son Medical Center presents ABBA- MANIA, an Abba Tribute, 9 p.m.
SATURDAY, MAY 19	11:15 a.m. The Breakfast Club Band 12:30 p.m. Oliver's Army 2 p.m. Le Cure 3:15 p.m. Swan Song 4:45 p.m. Neu Direction 6:30 p.m. A Hard Night's Day 8:15 p.m. Lou Gramm- the voice of Foreigner 10 p.m. Joe Walsh	11:15 a.m1:30 p.m. The Battle of the Bands Finals 1:45 p.m. Calhoun 3 p.m. Hello Lover 4:30 p.m. Kirby Brown 6 p.m. 7:30 p.m. Jon McLaughlin 9 p.m. Augustana 10:30 p.m. Dashboard Confessional	11:30 a.m. Merry and the Mood Swings 1 p.m. Anna Caroline Procter 2:30 p.m. Ryan Thomas Becker 4 p.m. Casey Hess 5:30 p.m. Quinten Hope 7 p.m. JD Whittenburg 8:30 p.m. The Josh Weathers Band 10 p.m. Zhora	11 a.m. Dallas Songwriters Association Spotlight 2 p.m. Tommy Byrd 3 p.m. Paul Sachs 4 p.m. Allie Farris 5:15 p.m. Angela Easterling 6:15 p.m. Jen Cass 7:15 p.m. Amy Speace 8:15 p.m. Nicolette Good 9:15 p.m. Robyn Landis	6:30 p.m. Zoe Lewis 7:45 p.m. Ken Gaines & Wayne Wilkerson 9 p.m. Mary Gauthier	Methodist Richardson Medical Center presents ABBA-MANIA, an Abba Tribute 7, 9 p.m.
SUNDAY, MAY 20	12:45 p.m. Tex Fletcher 2 p.m. Jolie Holiday 3:20 p.m. Prophets and Outlaws 4:45 p.m. Neal McCoy 6:30 p.m. Mark Chesnutt	1:30 p.m. Ken Savage & the Best Kept Secret 3 p.m. Midnight Special 4:30 p.m. Tinka from Disney's "Shake It Up" and Season 4 N.B.T. Winner Shealeigh 6:30 p.m. Joe Tucker See Performance Row schedule on other side.	1:30 p.m. The Neckties 3 p.m. Emily Grace Berry 4:30 p.m. III Men Zen 6 p.m. Fatty Lumpkin	12:30 p.m. Dallas Songwriters Association Spotlight 2 p.m. Cassie Peterson 3 p.m. Ernest Troost 4 p.m. Mary Beth Zamer/ Twangtown Paramours 5 p.m. Connor Garvey 6 p.m. Drew Kennedy	1 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m. Songwriters' Contest Winners' Rounds Wildflower! past winners songwriter spotlight with Louise Mosrie, Matt Harlan, Rj Cowdery 4:30 p.m. To get the latest schedule and instant festival info, just text WFF to 88500.	Methodist Richard- son Medical Center presents ABBA-MANIA, an Abba Tribute 2, 4 p.m. 6:15 p.m. Guy Clark



Stuff that can't be missed!

FRIDAY NIGHT—

Check out the metroPCS stage as Le-Freak chairs the 6th annual street dance followed by Nelly! SATURDAY—

Battle of the Bands competition, metroPCS Stage—

11:15 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

This annual showdown features four North Texas bands battling it out for the title—come hear tomorrow's headliners!

SUNDAY—

Budding Talent Finals 1 p.m., Bank of America Theatre in the Eisemann Center

Presented by Richland College, this year's contestants include: Seedlings - Preschool / Kindergarten Sprouts - Grades 1-3

Jr. Wildflowers! - Grades 7-9 Wildflowers! - Grades 10-12

Buds - Grades 4-6

THROUGHOUT THE FEST— Sunnyland Fiesta Siesta

Game Haven's Game Zone Jump Shot Hot Spot **FLIPPENOUT Trampoline Show on Performance Row**

You can bring your own factorysealed water bottle to Wildflower! One, one-liter, sealed bottle of water per person can come through the gates. **Stay hydrated!**





At 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Radio Disney AM 620 will host a special appearance featuring Caroline Sunshine ("Tinka") from the hit Disney Channel series "Shake It Up" and Season Four "N.B.T." (Next BIG Thing) winner Shealeigh on the metroPCS stage. Fans will enjoy a concert by Shealeigh and can get up close and personal with Caroline during an on-stage Q&A session. The Radio Disney AM 620 Road Crew will also be onsite with interactive entertainment and prizes.

Guitar Art Auction

Bidding ends at 5 p.m. Sunday! 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, airbrushed or gilded in gold—there are all kinds of expressions of individuality, music, even Wildflower! itself.

The guitars are put on display in the Eisemann Center and sold in a silent auction for the duration of the Festival. Proceeds from the auction benefit the NETWORK of Community Ministries and the fine art programs in the secondary level of the R.I.S.D.



Kidz Korner

The Kidz Korner sponsored by Pan- Don't miss... 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.

> **FREE games COOL** prizes FUN times...

All for Wildflower! Kidz!

The Kidz Korner is located just south of the ViewPoint Bank Amphitheater and near the Coca-Cola Gateway and Will Call entrance.

Sara Hickman's Family Time Rocks Show—1:45 and 3:45 p.m. Sunday Hula Hoop Loop

"Bugs, Bees and Butterflies" Student **Art Contest Display**

The Rock Star Karaoke Stage Richardson YMCA Gigantic Bounce **House Slide**

Petting Zoo sponsored by Neighborhood Credit Union

Rock Climbing Wall sponsored by BB&T

Kidz Huge Sand Pit Free Kidz Krafts! **Live Butterfly Tent!**

Kidz get in FREE Sunday!

All kids age 12 and under get in FREE with a paid adult on Sunday. Thanks, Bank of America!





WildRide! and WildRun!

Saturday, May 19 6 a.m.-onsite registration 8 a.m.—Bike Rally starts 8:30 a.m.-5K starts

Join us for the 9th annual WildRide! WildRun! Against Cancer and fun run/walk through scenic Richardson parks.

The event raises more than \$100,000 each year for Methodist Richardson Cancer Center. Cyclists can choose from 16, 40, or 65 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. WildRun!, the 5k timed run will take runners and walkers through Richardson parks. Enjoy the quiet and solitude of being in a beautiful, scenic, natural setting. The run is facilitated by Run On! Racing Systems. All are welcome to participate in the run/walk, registration fees are the same for timed or untimed.

Ride registration is \$40 (\$20 for ages 4-12); run registration is \$35 (\$20 for ages 4-12).

For more information or registration, go to www.wildrunagainstcancer.com or call 972-498-7678.

Food Vendors

In the Food Garden

Conway Corndogs (and funnel cakes and lemonade)

Al La Carte/The Skillet (variety)

Amazing Ad Specialties (Fried Poptart, Turkey Legs, Empanadas)

Freebirds

Mario's Cuisine (Pita Wraps)

Island Noodles

Ms. Piggy's (Cajun)

Pizza By the Slice

Satay Hut

Sonny Bryan's

T.C. Country Corn Wayne's Original Philly Cheese Steaks

Jimmy John's

Kona Ice (Shaved Ice)

Along the plaza/exhibitors/beverage tents

Ben & Jerry's

JBob's Kettle Corn Marble Slab Creamery

Maui Wowi

Tiff's Treats (fresh baked cookies)

Jersey Mike's







Find Wildflower! on Facebook

More than 5,500 people have signed up as fans and more are joining every day! The Facebook status will be updated throughout the festival weekend. Don't miss out on the latest festival info! You can even create a Facebook event and invite your friends to go see Joe Walsh or Nelly, or just let them know where they can find YOU at Wildflower!

Saturday 12:30 p.m. FLIPPENOUT 1:30 p.m. Rene Bibaud, 5X World **Champion Jump Rope** Performer 2:15 p.m. Hula Hoop Dance **FLIPPENOUT** 3 p.m. Rene Bibaud, 5X World 4 p.m. **Champion Jump Rope** Performer 4:30 p.m. Zumba with Marcelle **Hula Hoop Dance** 5 p.m. 5:30 p.m. COR Gymnasts with Slinky Girl 6:15 p.m. Rene Bibaud, 5X World

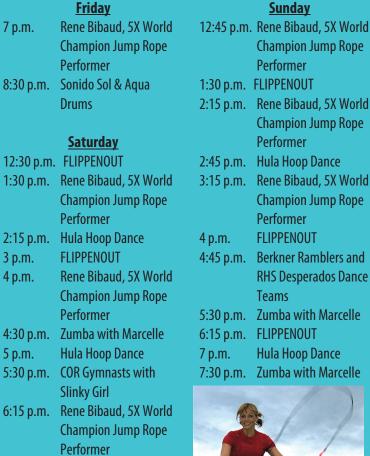
FLIPPENOUT

8:30 p.m. Sonido Sol & Aqua Drums

Zumba with Marcelle

7 p.m.

8 p.m.



Performance Row Schedule

Schedule subject to change and MORE TO COME! Come check out

Performance Row in front of the Eisemann Center!

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Brothers return to Wildflower! every year

Since the Moorman brothers' first trip to *Wildflower!* Richardson's Arts and Music Festival, they have turned the event into a family reunion. But it's not just the five of them they count – they see the volunteers and other festival regulars as a part of their extended family.

"We've kind of adopted them, and they've adopted us," Tom said.

The brothers – Tom, Lance, Eric, Gene and Harold – started going to *Wildflower!* five years ago. It had been a tough few months for them, after their father passed away around Christmas and their mother died in February. So they decided to do something together that they loved: take a trip and listen to some music.

"All of us love music, so after that tragic time, we said 'Let's all just get together and let's have a good time," Tom Moorman said. "If that first year hadn't been such a success, we wouldn't keep coming back – it was really just great for us."

Through a little luck, as well as the relationships they've built, the brothers have been able to meet many of the bands that have played at *Wildflower!* over the years. In fact, the first year, they were confused for musicians at their hotel. Since then, they've bumped into several of the bands at the hotel and have gotten backstage to meet performers and festival VIPs.

But beyond meeting performers, the Moormans have found that they enjoy the festival as a whole,

from the music to the art. Most of all, they love the people.

"The people there are just so friendly," Lance said.

And, come every May, the Moormans know they'll be making the trip to Richardson. Lance travels from West, while the rest of his brothers visit from the Houston area.

"As long as the festival is around, the five of us will be there," Lance said.



The Moorman brothers take a break at the *Wildflower!* Festival before the next music act comes on stage.

Wildflower! takes year-round planning

When Wildflower! Richardson's Arts and Music Festival kicks off May 18, organizers will rely on nearly a year of planning to ensure that hosting 70,000 visitors goes off without a hitch.

And soon after the festival concludes at the end of the weekend, planning for the 21st *Wildflower!* will begin.

It's a cycle that's become a tried and true model, honed over the years to make *Wildflower!* Richardson's premier special event. Nearly every City department is involved, as are property owners, sponsors and other businesses that contribute to *Wildflower!*

Planning begins in the weeks after the festival as City departments and property owners around the Galatyn Park Urban Center came together in "download meetings" to assess the event—what worked well, what could be improved upon and what should change for the following year.

"It's done to help planning for the next year," said Community Events Manager Geoff Fairchild,

and Music Festival on the road

throughout early May, bringing art,

music and fun to people who oth-

erwise wouldn't be able to attend

by the Wildflower! Festival Ex-

ecutive Steering Committee and

supported by Sherwin-Williams,

The Care-A-Van project, led

the festival.

the project manager for *Wild-flower!* "We take that information to really improve on the event every year."

Throughout the summer and early fall, Fairchild attends conferences and other festivals to see what entertainment trends are emerging that he could incorporate into *Wildflower!* And he starts to line up bands – the main attraction to the festival – in the fall.

But the clock really starts to count down in January each year. Logistics meetings begin, when Fairchild and other event leaders work to ensure that needs from electricity to traffic control are taken care of. That involves people from throughout the City – parks, police, fire and many more.

"We are so blessed that we have great people working here who have bought into the event," Fairchild said. "You can see the passion in what they do."

By the time March arrives, Fairchild and others are laying out the festival grounds. Main stage locations are already set, but street

Care-A-Van takes festival on the road

dren's hospitals in the Dallas area.

chance to bring a little fun and ex-

citement to those who would oth-

erwise not have the opportunity to

experience the Wildflower Festi-

val," said committee member Mark

Montgomery. "The smiling faces of

the kids playing is the greatest joy

"The Care-A-Van gives us a

entertainment, food vendors, smaller stages and sponsor placement must be finalized. That's when experience comes in – after 10 years of producing *Wildflower!* at Galatyn Park, the team knows what kinds of entertainment will work best throughout the site. Still, there's always something new that needs to be included at each year's festival.

At the same time Fairchild is leading plans for the event itself, Robbie Hazelbaker is working on another major piece of *Wildflower!* production: corporate sponsorships. As Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation, Hazelbaker works throughout the year to build and develop relationships with past sponsors, as well as potential ones. This year, for instance, he secured more than \$50,000 in new sponsorships.

"If you have a good product, you can sell it," Hazelbaker said. "Wildflower! is one heck of a quality event that the City supports in every way."

Festival tickets on sale

Don't miss a chance to celebrate the 20th anniversary of Wildflower! Richardson's Arts and Music Festival. Get your tickets at any Metroplex Tom Thumb store or print online through www.wildflowerfestival.com.

Three-day passes for \$30 will be sold until 5:30 p.m., Friday, May 18 and represent the best deal for festival-going patrons.

Single-day tickets are available through the festival's website, or they may be purchased at the gate during the festival. Single-day adult tickets are \$20, tickets for kids age 5-12 are \$3, and kids 4 and under will be admitted free. Also this year, the "Kidz in Free" promotion will return Sunday, May 20, when all kids 12 and under will get in free with a paid adult, courtesy of Bank of America.

Richardson resident special ticket price

Once again the City of Richardson will offer a special deal for Richardson residents. Present your current City of Richardson water bill, a utility/phone bill with a Richardson address, or valid driver's license with a Richardson address at the following locations during normal business hours and purchase adult day tickets for only \$10 each. That's half off the regular price!

- Customer Service Department at City Hall, 411 W. Arapaho, Room 101, during regular business hours.
- Huffhines Recreation Center, 200 N. Plano Road, during regular business hours.
- Heights Recreation Center, 711
 W. Arapaho, during regular business hours.
- Senior Citizens Center, 820 W. Arapaho, during regular business hours.

Richardson residents can purchase up to six individual adult tickets per each day of the festival per household. There is no limit on how many children's tickets you may purchase. Discounted tickets are available through May 19.

Please note that discounted tickets for Richardson residents are NOT AVAILABLE at the festival gates during the festival weekend, you must purchase at the rec centers.

For complete, up-to-date event information including a festival map, performance schedules, festival do's and don'ts, lodging options, driving directions, parking information and festival hours, visit www.wildflowerfestival.com or call 972-744-4580, or follow Wildflower! on Facebook at http://www.facebook.com/wildflowerfestival



Become a friend of the 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, a Hospitality Parking Pass good for the entire festival weekend and an official souvenir Festival poster. If you've ever been in the Hospitality Tent you know it's THE place to be with full catering, complimentary beer, wine, soft drinks, lots of networking and just plain fun! All of these great

perks can be yours for the small price of \$250.

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!* Richardson's Arts and Music Festival.

To reserve your credentials visit the *Wildflower!* home page, click on Sponsors and then click on Friends of the Festival to find the form that can be filled out and mailed to:

Community Events Attn: Suzanne Etman 2100 E. Campbell Rd., Ste. 100 Richardson, TX 75081

The deadline for packages is Monday, May 14, so sign up soon!

To sign up or for more information, please contact Suzanne Etman at 972-744-4584, or suzanne.etman@cor.gov.



Wildflower! rock painting is one of the many activities the Care-A-Van program takes on the road to children's hospitals.

A group of volunteers will take includes stops at retirement comthat I receive as a volunteer work-Wildflower! Richardson's Arts munities in Richardson and chiling at the festival."

The project's mission is to reach out to hospitalized children and the elderly, to bring a small part of the *Wildflower!* Festival directly to them in hopes of lifting their spirits by allowing them to experience and participate in the festivities.

This year's Care-A-Van will visit The Wellington Arapaho in Richardson, Children's Medical Center Dallas, Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children and Medical City Children's Hospital.

Activities include painting, musical entertainment, face painting, a balloon artist, a clown, arts and crafts and games.

The community outreach initiative has been a part of *Wildflower!* throughout the festival's history and was first run by the Parks and Recreation Department. Over time, the volunteers on the Executive Steering Committee took the Care-A-Van on as one of their annual projects.



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City's revised Stage 3 guidelines now allow residents once-per-week watering

... continued from page 1 **Enforcement**

The City of Richardson's goal is to work with business and property owners to ensure that water conservation needs for the City and region are met.

In an effort to educate the community about water conservation efforts, City inspectors will contact businesses and residents who improperly use water.

For a first violation of any provision, the City shall notify the resident of the violation by leaving a notice and information about water conservation efforts at the property. In addition, a written notice may be mailed to the property in violation.

Other Restrictions:

- Watering during significant rainfalls/precipitation is prohibited.
- Washing or rinsing of owner's buildings, vehicles, boats, trailers, other mobile vehicles and equipment on owner's premises is allowed only with the use of an automatic shutoff valve.
- The washing or hosing down of sidewalks, driveways, patios, porches, parking areas or other paved surfaces is prohibited.
- Excessive water runoff from any landscaped area onto any impervious surface is prohibited.
- The new construction water line flushing and routine fire hydrant flushing is prohibited without specific approval from the director of public services.

Exemptions

The following water usage is exempt from Stage 3 restrictions:

- Watering new landscape, trees and foundations is permitted for two hours a day with use of soaker or hand held hoses or a drip irrigation system.
- Competition public athletic fields may be watered two times a week.
- Golf courses may responsibly water without restrictions.
- ET/Smart irrigation and drip systems may be used responsibly without restrictions, but will need to register their system with the Department of Public Services to be exempt.
- Hand watering of ornamental flower beds and other ornamental landscaping is allowed with use of a hose equipped with an automatic shut-off nozzle.
- Hydroseeding, hydromulching, sprigging is permitted.
- · Existing swimming pools, Jacuzzis and spas may be drained and refilled as needed for repairs or to maintain operational levels.
- Ornamental fountains using treated water may be operated without restrictions.
- Commercial full-service or self-service car wash facilities, including those at service stations and automobile dealership facilities are allowed to operate without restrictions.
- Activities utilizing wastewater effluent, natural water springs, ponds or deep water wells.

All subsequent violations of water provisions will be cited by the City. All cited violations are subject to a fine not to exceed \$2,000.

Variances

To meet public health and safety needs and to help maintain overall water pressure in the City's system, the City of Richardson has certain facilities that must be watered outside the publicly mandated water restriction times. Such facilities include athletic and recreation facilities used by the public for a variety of purposes.

Though some City facilities will be watered outside times dictated by the ordinance, the City will maintain watering schedules that will meet or exceed conservation efforts. Other large public and private water users will also have variances for water usage, and will be monitored according to the guidelines in the variances for which they apply.

Variances are available for watering of newly installed landscape until vegetative roots are established. Any variance approved for watering new landscaping will expire 30 days after becoming ef-

Anyone wishing to request a variance from Richardson's water restrictions must contact the City's Public Services Department at 972-744-4220.

Stage 3 in place until further notice

The City of Richardson will maintain Stage 3 water restrictions until further notice. The schedule is designed to meet the NTMWD's goal of conserving as much water as possible until the current water supply issues end.

The City asks all residents and businesses to continue to follow the restrictions and thanks everyone for their efforts so far.



Analysts say that zebra mussels have caused \$1 billion to \$1.5 billion worth of economic harm since their introduction into

Memorial Day observance at **Restland Memorial Park**

The 72nd annual Memorial Day celebration will be held at Restland Memorial Park, Greenville Avenue and Restland Road, beginning at 1 p.m., Monday, May 28. Activities will include a helicopter, vehicle and equipment displays; a fly-over by the 301st Tactical Fighter Wing of the U.S. Air Force; photo and display exhibit by 1st Sgt. Tad Browning, Texas Army National Guard.

The Greater Dallas Veterans Council is co-sponsoring the event with Restland Funeral Home and

This year the keynote speakers will share their stories of how the tragedy of 9/11 has impacted their

For more information about the Memorial Day service, call Restland at 972-238-7111.



Congressman Pete Sessions presents ceremonial grant check to Richardson

Last month, Congressman Pete Sessions joined Richardson City Council Members and Fire Department personnel at Station 2 to present a ceremonial check for \$340,000. The money is from the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program of the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Department of Homeland Security.

It will be used to purchase an emergency driving simulator to train firefighters who operate fire and medical units. The new equipment will simulate a variety of hazardous road conditions for fire and ambulance apparatus, allowing first responders to be better prepared when they encounter similar conditions.

The grant is part of an important overall level of preparedness and its ability to respond to fire and related



Celebrating the grant to the Richardson Fire Department are, from left to right, Mayor Bob Townsend; Fire Chief Alan Palomba; Council Member Mark Solomon; Firefighter/Paramedic Brian Hix; Councomponent of the larger, coordinat- cil Member Scott Dunn; Firefighter/Paramedic Tim Black; Assistant ed effort to strengthen the nation's Fire Chief Ed Hotz; Fire Captain Steve Richardson; Council Member Amir Omar; Mayor Pro Tem Laura Maczka; Driver/Engineer Shawn Byers; Congressman Pete Sessions; Firefighter/Paramedic Robert **Fatherree; Council Member Kendal Hartley**

Police Service is **May 14**

The public is invited to attend the Richardson Police Department National Police Week Memorial Service Monday, May 14 at 8:30 a.m. National Police Week is May 13-19. 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.



City and AMD sponsor electronics recycling event

The City of Richardson and AMD will host an electronics collection event Saturday, June 16 at AMD's warehouse located at 1201 Exchange. Please note that a \$5 fee will be charged for hard drive destruction. Also, televisions and computer monitors will be charged \$0.50 per pound. Cash only, no checks are accepted. AMD cannot accept household appliances, furniture, anything containing liquid or any type of hazardous materials. The event will occur from 9 a.m.-

AMD will provide coffee while it lasts. For further information, please contact Ryan Delzell at 972-744-4404 or e-mail ryan.delzell@cor.gov.

The general rule of thumb is that if it has a cord, AMD can recycle it. Please review the list below for a detailed list of items that are accepted and not accepted by

Items Accepted

Computers Computer Peripherals Telephones Mobile Phones Printers/Copiers/Faxes Network Equipment ICs Circuit Boards Cables/Wire Monitors Network Equipment Memory Hard Drives Solder Dross Non-Ferrous Metals VCR's/DVD players

Unacceptable Items Hazardous Wastes

Ferrous Metals Wood Paper Non-Computer Plastic Refrigerators or other appliances Liquids

Free VIN etching, H.E.A.T. event

ment in partnership with the North Texas Auto Theft Task Force and Target, will offer free Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) etchings and conduct Help End Auto Theft (H.E.A.T.) registrations Thursday, May 24. Bring your vehicle to Target at 601 S. Plano Rd. in Richardson, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., to have the vehicle's VIN etched into each window. VIN etching is used to deter auto theft. Car thieves who steal cars for resale or for parts will tend to avoid vehicles that have the glass etched with a VIN. The etching reduces the criminal's profit, associated with replacing a vehicle's windows and the windows themselves becoming worthless for resale.

The H.E.A.T. registration program places a sticker on your vehicle and registers it in a statewide database used by law enforcement in Texas. H.E.A.T. registration allows police to stop the vehicle if it is operating between the hours

The Richardson Police Depart- of 1-5 a.m. to determine if the driver is the owner. The event is conducted on a first-come firstserve basis and only takes minutes to complete and is free of charge. If it should rain, the event will be rescheduled and details will be published at a later time. Contact the Richardson Police Department's Crime Prevention Unit for additional information at 972-744-



Process of drawing new district boundaries continues

24 to receive community input on three options being considered for realignment of Richardson's City Council district boundaries. A second meeting will be scheduled in May to continue deliberation of the options, which will result in a recommendation to the City Council for their consideration.

The City Charter requires the election of seven City Council Members, four elected to "places" that correspond to geographic districts and three elected at-large. The Charter also requires that

A public hearing was held April the City Council appoint a Redistricting Commission every 10 years (after the U.S. Census is complete) to review the district boundaries and ensure population equality. Current district boundaries must be realigned because population growth in some areas of the City has led to an imbalance in the population distribution among districts.

> The City Council appointed the City Plan Commission to serve as the Council District Boundary Commission Jan. 30. Since then, members have met biweekly to

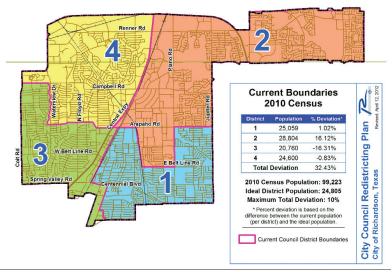
decide on district boundary criteria and to review options for new boundaries.

A City web page is available for members of the community to review the potential options and get up-to-date information on future steps in the process.

New district boundaries must be approved no later than July 30. For more information:

Website: http://www.cor.net/ index.aspx?page=1565 Phone: 972-744-4240

E-mail: redistricting@cor.gov





Pool Admission

Admission for 5 years and older: \$2 residents \$4 non-residents

Swim tags for the 2012 season: \$30 for residents \$40 for non-residents

Contact Information: Aquatics Office, 972-744-7892

POOLS OPEN DAILY: SUNDAY, JUNE 3 Arapaho Pool: CLOSED

Canyon Creek Pool

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

Cottonwood Pool

Open: 1-8 p.m. Sat. & Sun. 11 a.m.-6 p.m. – Mon., Wed.-Fri. Closed: Tues. 1321 W. Belt Line Road

972-644-7156 Glenville Pool

Open: 1-8 p.m. Closed: Tues.

500 S. Glenville Drive 972-671-0187

Terrace Pool

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

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 reamain with your child, but it is not necessary to wear a swim suit and you will not be charged a fee.

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.

Private Party Reservations

Private Party Reservations are available throughout the summer. No. of People

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1-25	\$100
26-50	\$125
51-75	\$150
76-100	\$200
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"Number of people" includes EV-ERYONE who enters the gates including non swimmers. Parties must have one adult (over for every 10 children (7-17 years) and one adult for every three children under 7. NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OR GLASS CON-TAINERS. Reservations must be made and paid one full week in advance. All reservations are dependent upon staff availability and weather conditions.

Reservation hours:

Terrace Pool

10 a.m.-noon Saturday 8-10 p.m. Saturday and Sunday **Canyon Creek Pool** 10 a.m.-noon Saturday 8-10 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday **Glenville Pool**

10 a.m.-noon Saturday 8-10 p.m. except Tuesday **Cottonwood Pool**

8-10 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

Water bills can now be paperless

The City of Richardson's Customer Service Division has implemented a new online billing service that allows customers who pay their bills online to opt out of receiving their statements in the

Richardson was one of the first cities in Texas to offer online bill payment beginning in 2001, and has had double digit growth in people taking advantage of the service almost every year since. However, people who enrolled in online billing were still provided paper statements to allow customers printed documents for filing purposes.

In an effort to cut back on printing costs and to meet environmental initiatives implemented by the City Council, an option to not receive a paper statement has been added to the City's billing service.

"This is another step in our efforts to make the City more efficient and environmentally friendly," said Richardson Mayor Bob Townsend. "We know not everyone may want to take part, but we will be able to save on printing and mailing costs for those who do take advantage of the service. It's a win-win for everyone, and we're happy to be able to provide this expanded service.'

To take advantage of the paperless statement, customers must log in to their account and select the option to turn on paperless billing. After log in, select the View/Pay Bills option then select My Preferences. The paperless feature can also be discontinued at any time, and access to customer utility statements is always available by logging into online accounts. A



direct link to the water and sewer online bill payment screen is available on the City of Richardson's homepage located at www.cor.net.

Anyone having any questions regarding paperless statements, and how to turn the feature on or off, can contact Richardson's Customer Service Division at 972-744 4120.



Trash bash success attributed to 600+ volunteers

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 2012 Trash Bash! More than 600 volunteers joined together to help keep Richardson clean on a beautiful Saturday morning. The volunteers collected 5,000 pounds of trash and 2,000 pounds of recycled materials from City streets, parks, creeks and schoolyards. They also collected more than 50 pounds of plastic grocery bags that filled one and a half Walmart recycle bins. After all their hard work, volunteers celebrated at an after party with pizza, cookies and beverages. They visited exhibits by Richardson Health Department, Richardson Community Services, Richardson Crime Prevention, Texas Agrilife, Plano/ Richardson Elks Lodge and DART. They also had a chance to win door prizes from Walmart, Texas Rangers, Frisco Roughriders, Hawaiian Falls Waterparks, Canyon Creek Country Club, Repertory Company Theatre, Chuy's Restaurants, Scotty P's Hamburgers, Sherrill Park Golf Course, Richardson Greenhouse, Richardson Parks and Recreation Aquatics and a special Easter basket donated by Janice Tower. The Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association hosted document shredding and electronics recycling as well. The City of Richardson and the Richardson Health Department wish to express thanks and appreciation to the exhibitors, donors and the following organizations, families and individuals for their participation in Trash Bash 2012. You are a large part of the reason why Richardson is such a great place to live, work and visit!

A Bag's Life APES

Arapaho Heights

Neighborhood Association Boy Scout Troops – 104, 435,

1001, 1010

Canyon Creek

Neighborhood Association

Cohen Family Comeaux Family

Crowley Park

Neighborhood Association Cub Scout Packs – 516, 727,

728, 777, 808, 871, 893 Dobbs Family

Dobbs Family Duck Creek

Homeowners Association Dynamo Tank, Inc. Elias Family

Farkus Family

Girl Scout Troops – ACM, 952. 1056, 1076, 1677, 8723

Good Tree Academy Italian Familia – DiBiase Keep Texas Beautiful

Lasko Family Ledat Family

McGarrahan Family Medushevski Family

North College Park Neighborhood Association Northrich Elementary Beta Club

Office of Representative Angie Chen Button – Craig Blum Owens Park

Homeowners Association Perkins Family

Plano/Richardson Elks Lodge

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Rich Hancock for Texas House – Arielle Ennis

Richardson Central Kiwanis Club Richardson Citizens Information Services

Richardson Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association Richardson Civic Center Richardson City Council Richardson Jaycees – Jessi Wood Richardson Junior League – Jennifer Lubner, Heather Zrubek

Richardson Public Services

Department Richland Park

Neighborhood Association Sherriff Osni Sherrill Park

Neighborhood Association Slawson Family Stephens Family
Target
The Church of Jesus Christ
of Latter Day Saints
Togger Family
YMCA Adventure Guides

Thanks again for your support and help in keeping Richardson Beautiful. We hope to see you all again next year for Trash Bash, April 6, 2013.



Sherrill Park courses earn top honors again

Richardson's Sherrill Park Golf Courses both earned prestigious honors in the "2012 Texas Golf" report from *The Dallas Morning News*, ranking 1st (Sherrill Park Course No. 1) and 10th (Sherrill Park Course No. 2) in the newspaper's ratings of economy, publicaccess courses statewide. No other city in Texas had two golf courses ranked in the top ten in the economy category, and Sherrill Park No. 1 was the only DFW-area golf course to place first statewide in its price category.

The economy course rankings featured the 25 best public-access golf courses with fees of \$44 or less across the state of Texas, as evaluated by *The Dallas Morning News*' panelists. Fees included the cost of a greens fee, cart and tax for a prime Saturday tee time.

"This is the second year in a row for the Sherrill Park Golf Course to receive such recognition," said Richardson Mayor Bob Townsend. "We have worked hard to make Sherrill Park the best value for golfers in the Metroplex. Today, Sherrill Park has a phenomenal reputation, and we are ecstatic that it continues to rate so prominently in statewide rankings."

The Sherrill Park Golf Courses, located at 2001 E. Lookout Drive,



have repeatedly earned honors from The Dallas Morning News and other golf experts for offering highquality golf at a tremendous value. Sherrill Park Course No. 1 opened in 1973, and Course No. 2 opened in 1976. Both 18-hole layouts were originally designed by golf architect Leon Howard, and both courses were redesigned by D.A. Weibring and Design Resource, Inc. within the last 15 years. Sherrill Park's golf facilities are managed by Head Golf Professional Ronny Glanton, who has served in that position for more than 27 years and was named the Golf Professional of the Year by the Northern Texas PGA section in 1999 and 2007. Glanton also served as president of the Northern Texas PGA in 2006 and 2007, and serves for the PGA of America, representing the Texas and New Mexico districts on the board of directors.

Animal Shelter schedules May events

Adoptathon May 5

The Richardson Animal Shelter will hold an adoptathon Saturday, May 5 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Shelter, 1330 Columbia Dr.

The event is sponsored by Richardson AnimaLuv, Lou's Grooming, Kona Ice and the Animal Shelter and will include treats and animals at the shelter available for adoption. Area humane and rescue organizations will be on hand to answer questions.

The Animal Shelter will offer \$5 nail trimming and a \$15 "Home Again" microchip option for each pet adopted from the Shelter. The microchip will be implanted by trained Shelter staff and will be registered in both the Animal Shelter database and in the national Home Again database. Microchipping does not replace a City issued ID tag but assures that if the tag is lost a pet can be easily identified and quickly returned home. A tag or a microchip is the best tool a pet owner has for finding a lost pet.

Rabies Vaccination Clinic May 12

Richardson's Animal Services will host a low-cost rabies vaccination clinic Saturday, May 12 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 2012 City registration. Please have dogs leashed and cats contained. For more information please contact the Animal Shelter staff at 972-744-4480.

City Secretary Pam Schmidt retires

Richardson's City Secretary, Pam Schmidt, retired from the City of Richardson at the end of April after more than 25 years of public service.

Schmidt was appointed to the position of City Secretary in June 2003. Prior to her service with Richardson, she worked as City Secretary for the City of Carrollton 1995–2003; City of Duncanville 1990-95 and served as City Secretary for the City of Balch Springs from 1987-90.

Schmidt plans to spend time with her family and enjoy the out-

doors as much as possible. "I feel very fortunate to have been able to work in this community, and with the many members of the City Council and management team," she said.

"It has been a privilege for this community to have a City Secretary who has her level of dedication and who is so widely recognized as a leader in her profession," said City Manager Bill Keffler.

A native of Lousiana, Schmidt gave many years of service in a large number of roles to the Texas Municipal Clerks Association.



City Secretary Pam Schmidt

Dog must be kept on leash

Owning a dog can bring great joy, but also comes with responsibilities, both to the animals and to the community. The Richardson City Code includes an ordinance requiring pets to be kept on leashes whenever they are not confined on their own property.

Dogs must be on leashes while in Richardson City parks or anywhere not within a fenced area of private property. A dog running loose can be picked up and taken to the Animal Shelter by animal control officers. The owner will be fined and charged for the cost of impounding the dog. If the dog is unlicensed, there will be another fine as well.

For more information, call the Animal Shelter at 972-744-4480.

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Thanks for the 'pawrade' Many thanks to the following Quinlan Bristow

Many thanks to the following sponsors, contributors and volunteers who helped make the annual Spring Fling Pet Pawrade organized by Richardson AnimaLuv a big success:

Corner Bakery, Coit and Campbell Kona Ice, Dallas Dollar General,

Plano/Buckingham
Starbucks, East Renner
Office Max Print Center,
West Campbell



Top Dog Dance Team Petco R&R Animal Home Care Mary Kay Cosmetics Pappy's Pet Lodge Velvet Snout Animal Medical Center of Richardson Danna Almon Bruce Miller Nursery National Charity League volunteers AnimaLuv volunteers Richardson Animal Shelter staff Ralph Herrick Marty Ramey

May Calendar

Richardson Civic Organizations

Civic Groups

Altrusa International of Richardson, Inc.

972-231-4683 or bnperry@aol.com Plano-Richardson Elks Lodge 972-234-2485

The Junior League of Richardson, jlrtx.com **Richardson Central Kiwanis** Club

214-739-5610

Richardson Kiwanis Club www.richardsonkiwanis.com or steagle@sbcglobal.net

Richardson Host Lions Club

972-385-3321 or http:// www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/ RichardsonHost

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

972-235-5667, 528 Lockwood Dr.

Richardson Rotary 972-690-0637

Richardson East Rotary 972-442-5295

Richardson Central Rotary 972-690-0637

Exchange Club of Richardson 972-680-8613

Family Groups

MOMS Club of Richardson—East

momsclubrichardsoneast@yahoo.

MOMS Club of Richardson-West

momsclubrichardsonwest@gmail.

Canyon Creek Moms Club

972-690-7609 or www.canyoncreekmomsclub.com

Support Groups

Dallas Amputee Network 972-470-0505 **Social Groups**

Richardson Newcomers and Neighbors Club

Special Events

Cost for the trip is \$2, payable on

Richardson Community

The time has changed. The flowers

and trees are in bloom. It must be

spring! That means it is time for

our annual Spring Concert with

the Richardson Community Band.

American Hearing Lab will present

This informative program designed

to address all aspects of hearing

health will also cover people's

concerns or misgivings when

trying to solve hearing problems.

Hereafter, the Senior Center will

offer hearing screenings every three

months on the first Wednesday,

with the first 9-10:30 a.m. June

6. Appointments required. Please

the day of the trip, plus the cost

820 W. Arapaho

972-744-7800

Out to Lunch Bunch

of your lunch.

May 15, Olive Garden

Band Spring Concert

Light refreshments.

"Hearing: The Gift"

Health Connection

May 24, 10 a.m., free

May 16, 7:30 p.m., free

214-793-1646, 972-690-8525 or 214-750-0506

Special Interest Groups AARP Chapter 1651 972-234-2815

Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association 972-690-4075

Helping Agencies Serving Richardson

972-239-3501

http://hasr.org/about/ **League of Women Voters**

of Richardson

972-470-0584 www.lwvrichardson.org

NARFE Eppard Chapter

#1273 972-238-8438 or 972-234-6922

Plano/Richardson Coin Club 214-287-4817

Richardson Galaxy American Business Women's Association

214-762-2304 or

www.abwa-richardson.org **Richardson Humane Society** 972-234-5117

Richardson-North Dallas Christian Women's Club 972-386-6041

Richardson Poets' Group

214-478-4870 or richardsonpoetsgroup@gmail.com

Richardson Retired School Personnel

214-890-6989 **Richardson Wireless Klub**

http://k5rwk.org Seniors' Net

972-234-8880 ext. 115 or dchildre@thenetwork.org

Dallas Area Parkinsonism Society

972-231-1005

appointment.

Afternoon Tea.

Space is limited.

Ladies Spring Tea

May 30, 1 p.m., \$4

At the Senior Center

National Osteoporosis Foundation North Dallas Support Group 972-965-1467

call 972-744-7800 to make your

Bring out your spring hats and

gloves and join us for a Ladies

If you wish, you may bring your

favorite tea cup to enjoy the

different tea choices. Finger

foods and entertainment will

complement your relaxing

afternoon. Please pre-register to

assist with the food preparation.

The Senior Center will showcase

the artwork of students from three

oil and acrylic classes and other

senior artists. Extended hours

Thursday evening. Some paintings

Richardson Public Library

June 26, 1 p.m. Watch for more

will be priced for sale. Free.

History of Richardson

information next month!

presented by

Senior Center Art Show

May 30, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

May 31, 8 a.m.-9 p.m.

June 1, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Woman's Center in **Richardson** 972-238-9516 http://www.fumcr.com/pages/

missions_womans_center **Toastmasters Groups Richardson Icebreakers**

Toastmasters 972-387-4709

Richardson Evening Toastmasters

214-534-0885

Hallelujah High **Toastmasters**

vppr@hallehigh.freetoasthost.net

Richardson Noon

Toastmasters 469-235-3586

Texins Toastmasters 214-566-4086 or

http://texins.freetoasthost.org

Veteran's Groups

Richardson VFW Post 8627 972-671-8627

Richardson Ladies Auxiliary to VFW Post 8627 972-231-0495

North Dallas VFW Memorial Post 3530

972-231-3269 **Korean War Veterans**

972-279-7000 **WWII Veterans**

214-361-6294 **Military Officers Women's**

Club 972-644-6871

Military Officers Association of America Greater Dallas Chapter 972-437-2345

Richardson American Legion Post #368 972-479-1505

Sherrill Park Ladies Golf League

The Sherrill Park Ladies Golf League of Richardson is open to women of all skill levels. The league plays on Tuesday mornings March through October. For more information, contact Elaine Curry, 972-780-5299, or Nancy Stubbs, 972-669-8909.

At the Library

900 Civic Center Drive 972-744-4350

General Interest

Cinco de mayo Celebration May 5, 3-4:30 p.m., Basement Program Room.

Library Board Meeting May 9, 7-9 p.m., Conference Room.

Book Groups First Wednesday Book Club

May 2, 7-8:45 p.m., Second Floor Conference Room. "Horton Foote: America's Storyteller" by Wilborn Hampton, presented by Paulette Platke. Call Janet Vance for information, 972-744-4376.

Second Wednesday BOOKbabble Group

May 9, 10:30-11:45 a.m., Second Floor Conference Room. "The Warmth of Other Suns" by Isabel Wilkerson. Registration requested. Call Janet Vance, 972-744-4376.

Third Wednesday **BOOKbabble Group**

May 16, 10:30-11:45 a.m., Second Floor Conference Room. "One Amazing Thing" by Chitra Divakaruni. Registration requested. Call Penny Manly, 972-744-4350.

Fourth Tuesday BOOKbabble

May 22, 7:30-8:45 p.m., Second Floor Conference Room. "Crooked Letter, Crooked Letter" by Tom Franklin. Registration requested. Call Janet Vance, 972-744-4376.

Computer Classes—

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



Introduction to MS Excel 2003 May 2, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. **Internet 101**

May 16, 10 a.m.-noon. **Introduction to MS Word**

2003, May 25, 10 a.m.-noon. **Using Overdrive with Kindles**, May 30, 10 a.m.-noon.

Children's Activities

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

It's Elementary! Storytime Every Tuesday, 4:15-4:45 p.m., Children's Program Room.

Grades K-4. **Special Interest Dewey KNIT?**

May 5, 2-4 p.m., Children's Program Room. Call Jane Nearing, 972-744-4355 for information.

Richardson Civic Art Society Meeting and Demonstration

May 15, 6:45 p.m., Basement Program Room. Oil demonstration by Dave Kramer.

Community Writers' Critique Group

May 16, 6-8:45 p.m., Basement Program Room. Call Janet Vance, 972-744-4376 for information.

Richardson Historical and Genealogical Society

May 17, 7-9 p.m., Basement Program Room. "What You Don't Know That You Can Find From Court Cases" by Gwen Neumann.

Writer's Guild of Texas

May 21, 7-8:30 p.m., Basement Program Room. "High Impact Book Marketing" by Rachel Simeone.

The Library will be closed Monday, May 28, for Memorial Day.

At the Eisemann Center

Angels of Dance "Dancing for the Cure"

Hill Performance Hall 8 p.m. May 5 Tickets: \$25-\$50 www.angelsofdance.net

Richardson **Community Band** "Pops Showcase"

Hill Performance Hall 2 p.m. May 6 Tickets: \$7 www.richardsoncommunityband. org

Lone Star Wind Orchestra "Out of This World" with LSWO Youth Winds

Hill Performance Hall 2:30 p.m. May 13 Tickets: \$40 loge box seats; \$20 all others; discounts available Sit anywhere in your purchased section www.lonestarwindorchestra.com

Eisemann Center Ticket Office 972-744-4650

Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. One hour before performances Tickets available online at: www.eisemanncenter.com

Zaytuna College "Building Zaytuna College, Brick by Brick" Hill Performance Hall

7 p.m. May 13 Tickets: \$25 www.zaytuna.org

Toby's School of Dance "That's Entertainment"

Hill Performance Hall 6:30 p.m. May 25 Tickets: \$10-\$18 www.tobysdance.com

Dance Zone "Musical Icons"

Hill Performance Hall 10 a.m. May 26 Tickets: \$12-\$22 www.sarasuesacademyofdance. com



The Contemporary Chorale "Let's Go to the Movies"

Bank of America Theatre 2:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. May 26 Tickets: \$20 www.thecontemporarychorale. com

Hathaway Academy of Ballet

2012 Academy Performance Hill Performance Hall 6:30 p.m. May 27 3 p.m. May 28 Tickets: \$10

www.hathawayballet.com

Red Door Dance Academy "Extra! Extra! Read All About It!" Hill Performance Hall 7 p.m. May 31

Tickets: \$8 www.dancereddoor.com

FREE Senior's Net seminars at NETWORK, 741 S. Sherman.

May 15: How to handle grief before it handles you May 29: Exercise physiology and cancer outcomes **June 12:** VA benefits

RSVP: 972-234-8880, ext. 118 or 119.

All activities listed on pages 10-11 take place at the Richardson Senior Center unless otherwise noted. Additional Senior Center related activities can be found on page 6. Call 972-744-7800 for more information.

Special Events and Trip Information

Special events and trip information can be found on page 9 of this publication.

Classes

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

Microsoft Excel and Word for Windows

This class is an introduction to electronic spreadsheet management using Microsoft Excel and Word for Windows. You will learn how to build, print, save and retrieve well-organized documents. Classes are from 1:30-4:30 p.m. Cost for the class is \$85 with membership; \$88 without membership. Frank Davis is our instructor. Next four-week session starts June 25.

Fundamentals of Windows XP

This class is designed for the novice and is a prerequisite for taking future classes, such as Word, Excel, Quicken and many other informative classes. Classes are from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Class fee is \$85 with membership; \$88 without membership. Frank Davis is our instructor. Next four-week session starts June 25.



VISTA (Fundamentals of Windows) and Windows 7

Windows 7 (Fundamentals of Windows)

These classes are designed for the novice and are taught concurrently. The next four-week session starts May 28 from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Class fee is \$85 with membership; \$88 without. Our instructor is Frank Davis.

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 22 and May 29 with a morning class from 9 a.m.-noon and an evening class from 6-9 p.m. Cost for the class is \$50 with membership; \$53 without membership.

iPad Instruction 101

Do you have an iPad and only play games or use Facebook? Learn how an iPad will make your PC information portable and convenient. Bring your iPad to this fourweek class Monday, May 7 from 7-8 p.m. Cost of the class is \$60 with membership;\$63 without membership.

iPad Instruction 102

While iPad instruction 101 teaches you the basics of using an iPad, this class will cover all of the functions and applications available for your iPad. Bring your iPad to this four-week class Monday, May 7 from 8-9 p.m. Cost of the class is \$60 with a membership; \$63 without a membership.

Internet Usage

In this class you will learn about such things as internet service providers, web browsing, web searching, e-mail, newsgroups, etc. The next two-week session starts June 11 from 1:30-4:30 p.m. Cost for the class is \$50 with membership; \$53 without membership.

Create a Website

This class focuses on the creation of a personalized website. We will use the Yahoo Site Creation tool set. You can have your own registered domain name. We will include information on how to create multiple pages, including text, photos and videos. We will also look at putting your video on Google, You Tube and Yahoo. The new two-week session starts May 28 from 1:30-4:30 p.m. Cost for the session is \$50 with membership; \$53 without membership.

Keepsakes for Smiles

Marilyn Richter will help you organize your photos and videos into a story of your life, document special occasions and events or just compile all your photo treasures onto a DVD for you to keep. The next four-week class starts May 5 from 1:30-3:30 p.m. Cost of the class is \$20 with a membership; \$23 without a membership. Extra: Scan and digitize photos \$15/100 photos, convert HI-8 and VHS tapes to DVD-\$20. Sign up now and bring your pictures and ideas!



AARP Driver Safety Classes

Anyone 50 years and older may attend. The completion certificate is used for automobile insurance premium reductions. Please check with your insurance company for percentage of reduction. The certificate does not qualify for a traffic citation dismissal. Fee is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members. Reservations may be made by calling 972-744-7800. Please pay the instructor at the time of the class. Classes are held at the Richardson Senior Center as follows:

May 3	8:30 a.m12:30 p.m.
May 17	6-10 p.m.
June 7	8:30 a.m12:30 p.m.
June 21	6-10 p.m.

Robin's Nest Craft Store

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

Drug and Alcohol Driving Awareness

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

May 1 and 3	6-9 p.m.
June 5 and 7	6-9 p.m.

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

Defensive Driving for Ticket Dismissal

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

May 7 and 10	6-9 p.m.	
May 12 and 19	1:15-4:15 p.m.	
May 21 and 24	6-9 p.m.	

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

Adult Piano Lessons

Cheryl Hayes, who has more than 40 years of teaching experience, offers adult piano lessons on a monthly basis. Cost is \$55 per month. Call 972-744-7800 for an appointment.

Private Voice Lessons

Private Voice Lessons are available by appointment. The cost for voice lessons is \$25 per hour. Call 972-744-7800 to make an appointment.

Beginner Square Dance Lesson

Classes started Jan. 10 and will run through May 20.

Plus Lessons/Tuesday Nights will start July 31 and run through Nov. 6. Price is \$65 per person if registered and paid on or before July 31; \$75 per person if registered and paid after July 31.

Plus Square Dance

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

Friendship Plus

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

Crochet

Classes are taught Thursdays from 1-3 p.m. The price is \$5 per class. For new students, please bring a #J or #H crochet hook and a skein of four-ply yarn.

Quilt Essentials

Learn the art of both hand piecing and quilting as well as sewing machine piecing and quilting. Beginner and experienced quilters are welcome. The class meets Tuesdays with instruction available 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 (no instruction) 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/month. Jan Eby instructs.

Ceramics

Ceramics meets each Tuesday from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. No fee. This is a self-paced class. You provide your own 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

These monthly classes are designed for all levels of painters and are taught by award-winning local artist Becky Parks. Classes are held Wednesdays, 12:15-4 p.m. Cost for the class is \$100 per month. Next session begins May 9.

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 972-479-9367 for more details. Next class will start May 10. Class is 10-11 a.m. and runs for eight weeks. Cost is \$48.

English as a Second Language (ESL) and English as a Second Oratory Language (ESOL)

Tatyana Sherman will bring her 34 years of teaching experience to the Senior Center. Both ESL and ESOL classes start May 5 and will last four weeks.

ESL Beginning English 1 1 p.m.-3 p.m. \$50

Speaking English 1

3 p.m.-5 p.m. \$50

Tatyana is available for private tutoring and teaching additional languages. For more details call 214-570-1619.

Programs

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. An organizational meeting is scheduled May 3, 7-9 p.m.

New!! Amateur Radio License Testing

The Richardson Wireless Klub (RWK) is offering Amateur Radio exams on the first Saturday of each month. The first test date will be May 5, at 1:30 p.m. To take the exam the candidate will need to provide a government issued photo ID, driver's license, social security number or FCC Federal Registration number. If testing for an upgrade to a higher class of license, a copy and the original of the current license will be needed as well. Fee is \$15 in cash or check. Payment is due the day of testing. For additional information please contact Dave Russell, W2DMR by phone at 972-690-9894 or e-mail at warthog4@tx.rr.com.

Dance Classes at the Senior Center

Class	Day	Time	Fee	Instructor
Adv. Line Dance	Mon.	3-4:30 p.m.	\$3	Kindle
Beg. Line Dance	Tues.	9:30-10:30 a.m.	\$11/Month	Halvorson
Int. Line Dance	Tues.	10:45-11:45 a.m.	\$2	Halvorson
Adv. Line Dance	Thur.	3:15-4:45 p.m.	\$3	
Int. Tap	Tues.	11:15 a.m12:15 p.m.	\$5	Bass
Senior Tap (beginner)	Tues.	12:30-1:30 p.m.	\$5	Bass
Beg. Ballroom	Wed.	2-4 p.m.	\$50 Couple/Month	Faris
			\$25 Single/Month or	
			\$10 per class	
Easy/Int. Line Dance	Wed.	1:30-2:45 p.m.	\$3	Simpson
Int./Adv. Line Dance	Wed.	2:45-4 p.m.	\$3	Simpson
Group Ballroom	Fri.	3-4 p.m.	\$10 Couple	Faris
-		•	\$5 Single	
Adv. Tap	Thur.	noon-1 p.m.	\$5	Bass
General Line Dance	Thur.	2-3 p.m.	\$5/Month	
Open Line Dance	3rd Thur.	6:30-8:30 p.m.	\$3	Simpson
Private Ballroom	Appointment	-	\$40	Faris

820 W. Arapaho Rd.

972-744-7800

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. Call 972-744-7800 for more information and questions.

Bingo

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



Happy Birthday Party

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

The Vintage Dance Club

The following calendar lists the dates for this month's senior danc-

May 5	Russ Dorsey
May 12	Gary Lee
May 26	Doc Gibbs

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

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. to noon. The ladies group plays Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 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 more information, contact Tennis Pro Shawn Foster at 972-744-

Senior Golf League

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

Pool Tournaments

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



Senior Table Tennis

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

Shuffleboard Tournaments

Shuffleboard tournaments are on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month. Register by 12:30 p.m. the day of the event; play begins at 1 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 2012 season. For more information, contact Bill North-Pres., 214-676-0411; Lina McFerrin-VP, 972-596-4035; Charles Turner- Sec./Treasurer, 972-783-2248.

Chess Club

The chess club meets on 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.



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 further information. We welcome all perspectives for discussion!

Emeritus Plus 50 program at Richland College

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

Sing-A-Long

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

Reelers Square Dance

The Reelers Square Dance Club hosts a square dance the first and third Friday evenings each month from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Admission is \$6 per person.

Password and **Mental Aerobics**

Mental Aerobics is Monday at 10 a.m. at the Senior Center.

Richardson **Public Library**

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

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.

Needleworks

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

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.

Let's Play "42"

Regular "42" games are scheduled on Thursday afternoons from 12:30-4 p.m. at the Richardson Senior Center.

Services

New!! American Hearing Laboratory

American Hearing Laboratory will offer FREE hearing screenings and hearing aid checks at the Center every three months on the first Wednesday from 9-10:30 a.m. The first screening will be June 6. Call 972-744-7800 for an appoint-

The Senior's 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 has expanded! Seniors residing within the Richardson ISD may shop for free loaves of bread at the NETWORK offices located at 741 S. Sherman St. in Richardson. The program is open Thursdays from 9-11 a.m. and Fridays from noon-2 p.m.

Benefits Counseling

The Dallas Area Agency on Aging is able to assist with questions about eligibility requirements for Medicare, Medicaid, SSI and other public health benefits. Appointments may be scheduled now for May 4. Please call 972-744-7800 for 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.

Friendly Visitors

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

RSVP Volunteer Program

We would be happy to welcome you as a new member in our RSVP group. Activities are minor clerical duties transportation and lunch are provided by the agency we are volunteering for. For more information, please call Mary Kelley at 214-823-5700 ext. 228.

New!! The Memory Café

The Senior Center will host a new program called "The Memory Café." This is a much-needed program where people with Alzheimers/dementia, their family and friends are able to get together in a relaxed environment to socialize, share concerns and ideas and learn more about issues they are facing. Memory Café will meet the first Thursday of the month from 10-11 a.m. with the first meeting June 7. Refreshments will be served and there is no fee.

Blood Pressure Checks

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

Volunteer Opportunities

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

Chair Massage

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

City of Richardson Transportation Service

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

Fitness

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. and Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. Drop in fee is \$5.

Hatha Yoga for all Ages

Hatha (physical) yoga stretching and breathing exercises not only relieve stress and relax the body, they increase the body's strength, stamina, vigor, flexibility, endurance and resistance to disease. Yoga gives relief from neck/back/ shoulder/knee pain, sinus problems, headaches, sciatica, arthritis, rheumatism and insomnia. Also learn eye exercises to relax and keep your eyes healthy. 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 to 11 a.m. and Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:30-6:45 p.m. Cost is \$5.

Tai Chi for all Ages

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

Stretch and Strengthen

This class is designed for men and women at all fitness levels. You will regain or improve muscle tone, balance and flexibility. Wear comfortable loose-fitting clothing. Classes are Wednesday from 10 to 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.

Fit For Life—Beginning **Strength Training Class**

Come and participate in strength training that works all muscle groups to fun and motivating music. Two classes offered: Mon., 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., four weeks; begins the first Monday each month. Wed., 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., four weeks; begins the first Wednesday each month. Fee is \$20 for four weeks or \$7 per class.

Fit For Life—Intermediate **Strength Training Class**

Senior Center

If you are ready to take it to the next level of fitness, then this is the class for you. You will have fun and be motivated while you challenge all your major muscles to the next level. Classes begin the first Monday and the first Wednesday of the month for four weeks from 10-11 a.m. Fee is \$20 for four weeks or \$7 per class. Our certified personal trainer Elaine Hosage is the instructor.

Aerobic Exercise

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

WaterAerobic Classes

Popular instructor Laurie Wilder continues WaterAerobic instruction when our summer session begins. Summer schedule begins June 4 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

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 in-

are suggested. SPF 45: J.J. Pearce Natatorium 10:15-11 a.m., M, F

cluding active seniors. Aqua shoes

This indoor class is designed with all levels in mind including active seniors. Aqua shoes are suggested. For more information please call the information line at 972-744-7813 or the Richardson Senior Center at 972-744-7800.

Personal Training

Building strength in later years helps sidestep the frailty, disability and loss of independence that often accompanies aging. It's not too late to start accruing these rewards. Personalized fitness programs are designed to help increase cardiovascular endurance, strength and flexibility. 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 and general population by the Cooper Institute.

Games

Canasta

Thursday, 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. to 4:30 p.m.

Many other games such as Chess, Skip-bo, Rummi-Cubes, Dominos and "42" are played by our patrons.

972-744-4350

Library photos document City's growth

The Richardson Public Library lens coverage or framing. Some are has created a group of photo "partners" that looks back to Richardson's past and its amazing growth, and compares "then and now." The character and history of a town can sometimes be difficult to capture when it has experienced growth and development, but today's methods of digital capture and storage make the preservation of history more accessible to every-

Rephotography is the act of repeat photography of the same site, with a time lag between the two images; a "then and now" view of a particular area. Some are casual, usually taken from the same view point but without regard to season, very precise and involve a careful study of the original image.

Enjoy these photo "partners' in the foyer of the Library's lower level program room. Additional photographs from the Richardson Public Library's collection are available on The Portal to Texas History, http://texashistory.unt.

In addition, the group Preservation Richardson has begun to digitally collect and preserve images and archives from Richardson residents: http://www.preservationrichardson.org/index-1.php

Call the Library's reference desk at 972-744-4355 for more information.

Drop-in sessions provide help

Do you have a Kindle, Nook, Sony Reader, iPad or Android device and need help figuring out how to get a Library eBook onto it? The Library offers informal Digital Drop-In help with Library eBooks 10 a.m.-noon every Saturday through May on the second floor of the Library.

Here's what you need to bring in addition to your Library card:

iPad? Bring your iPad and be sure to know your iTunes password so that you can download the app

Kindle? Bring your device and cable. Also you MUST know the e-mail and password for your Amazon.com account

Nook, Sony Reader, other non-tablet devices? Bring your device and your device cable

Android device? Bring your device and know your Marketplace password to install the app

Don't miss it! **Family Storytime**

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

Geared for children ages 3-7 but the whole family can attend! Stories, rhymes, fingerplays, movement activities and puppets. No registration required. Do drop in! Information: 972-744-4358. Children's Program Room

TOEFL class offered

The Richardson Public Library will offer TOEFL (Testing of English as a Foreign Language) 2-5 p.m. Saturdays, July 14-Nov. 17. Registration for the class ends May 15.

To register you must pass a Level 5 English test. A course commitment of five months is required. Seating is limited. Course is free but purchase of study guide is required. To register, call Yolanda Medina, 972-744-4368



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Fun audience participation! Magic tricks and spy gadgets! As seen on ABC and Fox News! Performed at the White House **THREE times!**

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Saturday, June 2 Noon - 1 p.m.

Summer Reading Kick-off

sponsored by Friends of the **Richardson Public Library**

It's Elementary!

Storytime for kids in grades K-4 Tuesdays, 4:15-4:45 p.m. Children's Program Room

New "BOOKbabble to go" kits available for clubs

The Library offers a service especially for community book clubs. "Bookbabble to go" book club kits contain 15 copies of a discussible book plus a discussion leaders' guide conveniently packaged in a canvas tote bag. The kits check out for six weeks and are renewable if no holds have been placed by other patrons. Currently the Library owns approximately 60 kits.

Following is a list of the new "BOOKbabble to go" book club kits that have recently been added to the collection and are available to be enjoyed by book clubs:

- "City of Thieves" by David Benioff
- 🕯 "Alice I Have Been" by Melanie Benjamin
- 🕯 "One Amazing Thing" by Chitra Divakaruni
- 🕯 "The 19th Wife" by David Ebershoff
- Teitoun" by Dave Eggers
- 1 "Outliers: The Story of Success" by Malcolm Gladwell
- The Weight of Silence" by Heather Gudenkauf

- Telex from Cuba" by Rachel Kushner
- The Last Town on Earth" by Thomas Mullen
- "Lark and Termite" by Jayne Anne Phillips
- 🕯 "Major Pettigrew's Last Stand" by Helen Simonson
- 🕯 "My Stroke of Insight" by Jill Bolte Taylor

Kits check out to a single patron with a valid Richardson Library card and all parts of the kit should be returned together. To see the full list of Bookbabble to go kits, go to the Library's catalog under "Advanced Search" and type in "bookbabble" under "keyword anywhere." For more information, call Janet at 972-744-4376.

Learn to speak Spanish during the summer at the Library. Free.

Spanish as a Second Language classes will be offered on Tuesday and Thursday during the months of June and July from 6 - 9 p.m.

Limited seating, registration is required. Adults only, library card required.

Course commitment - 17 classes.

To register call Yolanda Medina at 972-744-4368 before May 15.

For Richardson residents—valid Library card is required. Required registration begins May 21. Go to Children's Department or call 972-744-4358.

BABYSTEPS

an eight-week program for children 6 weeks to 12 months old accompanied by at least one parent. Designed to assist parents in preparing prewalkers for reading readiness by introducing them to books, stories, rhymes, fingerplays, music and other early literacy tools.

BabySteps starts June 4 and ends July 30. No BabySteps July 2.

Monday 10:15-10:45 a.m. or 6-6:30 p.m.

WIGGLE WORMS

an eight-week program for 12-36 month olds accompanied by at least one parent. Walking and wiggling toddlers will be introduced to books and reading using stories, fingerplays and music.

Children must be 12 months old by July

Wiggle Worms starts June 4 and ends Aug. 2. (No Wiggle Worms the week of July 2.)

Choose <u>one</u> of the following times: 11-11:30 a.m. Monday 10:15-10:45 a.m. Thursday 11-11:30 a.m. Thursday 7-7:30 p.m. Thursday

STORYTIME

an eight-week program filled with stories, puppets, songs and fingerplays.

Children attend Storytime independently. Limit one guest per child—one

time only. Starts June 4/ends Aug. 1. (No Storytime the week of July 2.)

Choose one of the following

For 3-6 year olds (3 years old by June 1)

Monday 2-2:30 p.m. 2:45-3:15 p.m. Tuesday Wednesday 10:15-10:45 a.m.

For those entering 1st or 2nd grade:

Monday 2:45-3:15 p.m. Tuesday 3:30-4 p.m. Wednesday 11-11:30 a.m.

EXPLORERS CLUB

for those entering 3rd-5th grade 2-3:30 p.m.

Thursdays, June 7-July 19 (no meeting July 5)

YOUNG

for those entering 5th-9th grade

10:30-11:30 a.m. Fridays, June 8-Aug. 3 (No class July 6) Write, illustrate and bind a picture book that becomes a part of the Library's collection!

Participants must attend 4 of 8 sessions to be published!

Completed books must be turned in by 8:45 p.m. Aug.

ENCOURAGE YOUR KIDS TO READ ALL **SUMMER!**

celebrate cinco de mayo

Saturday May 5 3-4:30 p.m.

Sábado 5 de mayo 3-4:30 p.m.

Salón de Programación

en el sótano

Basement Program Room

Enjoy a puppet show

Teatro de títeres



Make cinco de mayo crafts! • iManualidades 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 the Children's Department at 972-744 4358. Para más información, llame al Departmento de Niños al 972-744-4358.

celebre el cinco de mayo