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## KDC holds groundbreaking for 186-acre project

### State Farm to lease 1.5 million square feet in three office towers

KDC held a groundbreaking ceremony last month at its new 186-acre master-planned project in Richardson. State Farm will lease 1.5 million square feet in three towers, which are currently under construction at the development.

"This is an exciting day for KDC as we officially break ground on the largest and most visionary development in our history," said Steve Van Amburgh, chief executive officer, KDC. "Offering this kind of creative development to North Texans, adjacent to the DART light rail system, is what the work force of today is seeking and residents and visitors expect. We plan to deliver everything from office to entertainment in a very inviting and pedestrian-friendly environment."

The three towers are part of KDC's \$1.5 billion master-planned project in Richardson near the intersection of President George Bush Turnpike and North Central Expressway (US 75). The Class A office buildings will consist of a 13-story tower, 15-story tower and 21-story tower. Each tower is situated on a five-level parking structure along with ground floor retail space.



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Ground was officially broken last month for KDC's 186-acre master-planned project. Pictured from left are: City Council Members Scott Dunn and Kendal Hartley, Mayor Laura Maczka, State Farm Senior Vice President Mary Crego, Mayor Pro Tem Bob Townsend and Council Members Mark Solomon, Paul Voelker and Steve Mitchell.

"The creation of a larger multi-functional facility in Richardson is one of many changes we're making to better meet the ever expanding needs of our customers," said Mary Crego, senior vice president, State Farm. "We're pleased to be a bigger part of the Richardson community as we position State Farm

to better serve communities across North America."

The new facilities will serve as a hub that will provide claims, service and sales support to State Farm customers. The site will be staffed by a combination of new hires and existing employees. With the complex, State Farm will be

the largest employer in Richardson.

"We work hard in Richardson to provide quality infrastructure and a business-friendly atmosphere to attract signature employers and developments such as this," said Richardson Mayor Laura Maczka. "We feel very fortunate to be the . . . continued on page 3

## Family Aquatic Center opens



The splash playground at the new Heights Family Aquatic Center was a big hit on opening day.

Marcia Weidenfeller has many fond memories of taking her son, John, to Heights Park in the summertime to cool off in the pool. They reminisced about those days many years ago as they enjoyed the park's newest amenity—the Heights Family Aquatic Center—this time with John's 3-year-old son in tow.

"It was good then, and it's perfect now," Marcia said. "I'm so glad to bring my grandchild."

The Weidenfellers were among hundreds of people to visit the Family Aquatic Center when it opened to the public July 12. The facility includes a tot pool with play features, a zero-entry pool with a splash playground, current channel, vortex pool, instructional water area, lap swim and double-tube slide. It replaced the Arapaho Pool, which opened about 50 years ago.

Roger Scott, Richardson's Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation, said that the old pool served the City well but was due for an upgrade.

"It was the old style, and people aren't seeking out that type of water activity anymore," Scott said. "We're revitalizing what's going on in Richardson with our facilities, and we want to attract young families and keep the families that are here enjoying the opportunities we have available."

Voters approved \$4.5 million for the Family Aquatic Center through the 2010 Bond Program. It is part of a master plan for Heights Park that included rebuilding the Heights Recreation Center and moving the Gymnastics Center into a new facility, projects also funded through the 2010 Bond Program. The Gymnastics Center . . . continued on page 4

## Iconic cinema opens Aug. 9

Alamo Drafthouse Cinema has shown previews to the Richardson community over the past year, with its free "Rolling Roadhouse" outdoor screenings. Now, it's time for the main attraction.

The iconic Austin movie theater makes its Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex debut in Richardson's Heights Shopping Center on Friday, Aug. 9, with "soft opening" film screenings planned Aug. 6-8.

Alamo Drafthouse DFW Chief Operating Officer Bill DiGaetano said that what sets Alamo apart from other theaters is the company's commitment to the film experience.

"From the minute you sit down and see our unique pre-show entertainment, to the made-from-scratch food, to the cutting-edge projection technology we use, you'll see what has made Alamo

such an institution," he said. "This is a place for movie fans, run by movie fans."

The City Council approved an economic incentive package to lure Alamo to Richardson so it could serve as a catalyst for the Heights Shopping Center and surrounding area. The center was built in the late 1950s and early 1960s and has been a focus of revitalization by both the City and property owners.

"A business as unique as Alamo will be a draw for other retail and restaurants to Richardson, which is so important to the success and vitality of our community and Main Street area," Mayor Laura Maczka said. "We're confident that it will be a huge success, and I'm so excited that they're going to be opening their first Metroplex theater right here in Richardson!"

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Alamo Drafthouse Cinema held a preview screening July 25 in its new 247-seat auditorium, the largest in Alamo history.

Currently we are at:

Stage 1 | Stage 2 | **Stage 3** | Stage 4

### Stage 3 water restrictions are in effect

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

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

#### I need to make repairs to my pool. Can I drain and refill the pool in Stage 3?

Homeowners are allowed to drain and refill their pools for repairs as needed. When pools are drained, they still need to follow the proper draining guidelines (drain down their sewer line). Pools may also be refilled to maintain opera-

tional levels. No variance is required to refill pools, but if refilling the pool can be deferred to next year, please consider waiting.

#### Can I wash my car and hose down my sidewalk and patio in Stage 3?

Yes, homeowners may wash their car and hose down paved or similar surface areas around their home any time on any day as necessary. Use a nozzle with a shut off valve when doing these activities to assist you in using water wisely.

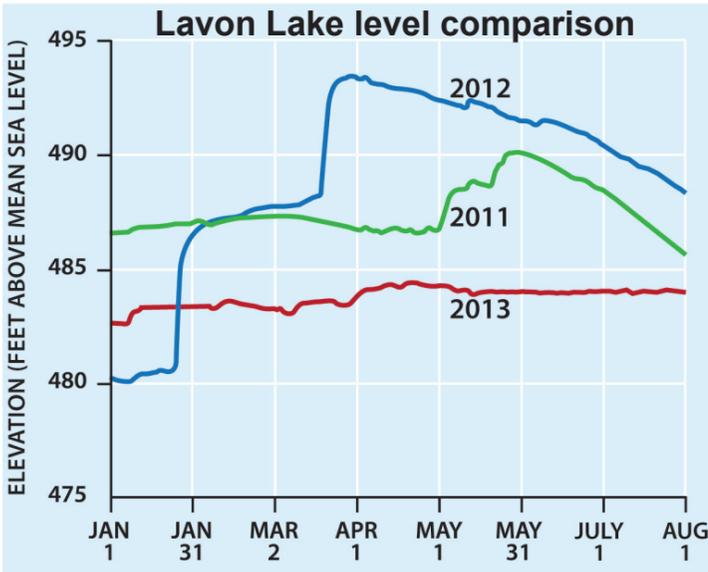


#### I see sport fields being watered more than once a week. Is this allowed?

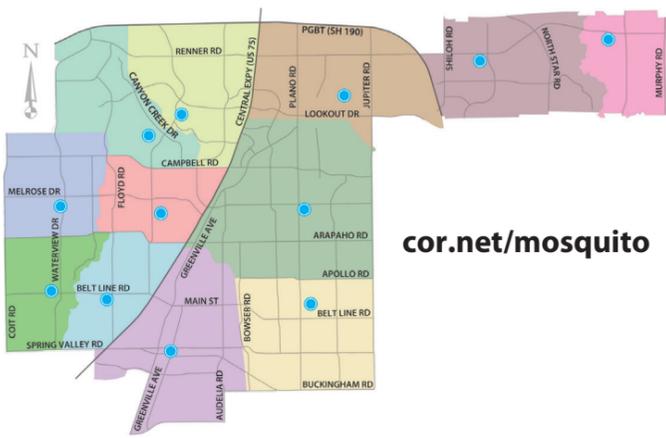
For the safety of the public using athletic fields, the fields are allowed to be watered up to two times a week. However, no watering between the hours of 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. is still in effect.

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

Even though recent rains have helped lawns and gardens, it was not enough to raise the lake levels, and the City of Richardson is expected to remain in Stage 3 water restrictions for the foreseeable future. The continued drought and low winter and spring rainfall has caused the level of Lavon Lake to be lower at the beginning of this summer than at the same time in each of the past two years. Lavon Lake is at its full reservoir capacity at 492 feet above mean sea level (a standard measurement used for lake levels). You can see the current levels of lakes used as reservoirs by North Texas Municipal District at [ntmwd.com](http://ntmwd.com).



### Online interactive map provides mosquito information



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

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

### City Council Action

The following is a listing of some of the main items considered by the Richardson City Council at the June 24 and July 8 meetings. Citizens are welcome to attend Council meetings (second and fourth Mondays of each month at 7:30 p.m.) and work sessions (every Monday at 5:30 p.m.). The Richardson City Council Agenda is posted at City Hall on a bulletin board at the west end of the building and can be found on the City website, [cor.net](http://cor.net). The agenda is posted on Friday evening prior to the Monday night meeting. You may request a copy of the agenda or more information by calling the City Secretary's Office at 972-744-4292.

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

#### June 24

A request by the Appletree Court for a variance to the City of Richardson Code of Ordinances Chapter 18, Section 18-96(23)(D)(II) to allow for two, 29 foot and 5 inch reductions of the 30 foot setback requirement to allow for a 14 foot tall, 60 sq. ft. pole sign, with an electronic messaging center, to be 7 inches from the east and west adjoining private property lines located at 870 W. Arapaho Rd., was approved.

#### July 8

**Consent Agenda**  
Authorized the advertisement of **Bid #56-13**—2010 Streets And Alleys Phase I (Streets—100 Gentle, 800 Lockwood, 100-300 N. Weatherred) (Alleys—200 Thompson Dr., 800 Lockwood, 200 Weatherred).

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

The construction cranes and grand opening signs around town are signals that business is active in Richardson. It was a pleasure last month to welcome State Farm to our community, and I'm thrilled to be able to see Alamo Drafthouse Cinema open in Richardson this month!

Even individually, these two projects would have a huge impact on Richardson. But combined, and along with the planned opening of the Methodist Richardson Medical Center Bush/Renner hospital next year, it is amazing to see the momentum that is building in our community right now.

The State Farm office complex is at the heart of a 186-acre master-planned, mixed-use development by KDC. In just its first phase, this transit-oriented development at Bush Turnpike and Central Expressway will include the State Farm complex, nearly 1,000 multi-family residential units, a 150-room hotel, a health clinic and fitness facility, and more than 75,000 square feet of retail and restaurants.

Even before Alamo Drafthouse Cinema opens its doors at Heights Shopping Center, the Austin icon is drawing interest from businesses to one of our community's oldest shopping centers. And with their weekly outdoor screenings of fan favorites leading up to the official opening...the loyal customer base is quickly getting established.

With the hospital, we will see more medical professionals and other associated businesses locate in Richardson. This will benefit not just our city, but the northern portion of our Metroplex/region.



Mayor  
**Laura Maczka**  
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All of this activity is due to the efforts of our City leadership and our partners at the Richardson Chamber of Commerce. During the recent recession, we all worked hard to be sure that Richardson was poised to take advantage when the economy recovered. The new businesses opening and expanding in our city today show that we're moving the right way economically, and the growing tax base and employment opportunities in Richardson are a reflection of that positive direction.

Please join me in welcoming an expanding State Farm to our community, and I'll see you out at the movies down at Alamo soon!

Sincerely,

*Laura Maczka*

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# KDC holds official groundbreaking



Rendering of the three State Farm office towers.

... continued from page 1 site for this project, and we look forward to the destination retail and other mixed-use amenities that this transit-oriented development will bring to the community.”

The office towers are slated for early 2015 occupancy. KDC plans to achieve LEED® Silver certification from the U.S. Green Building Council.

In December 2012, KDC announced the acquisition of 186 acres of land to develop a master-planned project in Richardson. KDC’s project, adjacent to the Dallas Area Rapid Transit’s (DART) Bush Turnpike Station on its Red Line, will be a transit-oriented development on the east and west sides of Plano Road. The east side includes the 147.5 acres of land on the north side of Renner Road, between Plano Road and Wyndham Lane. The west side includes 38.5 acres of land south of President George Bush Turnpike between Plano Road and the DART light rail tracks.



Rendering of the State Farm pedestrian plaza.

“KDC has been a longtime partner in Richardson, and we’re ecstatic to be working with the group again on this project,” said Richardson City Manager Dan Johnson. “Richardson is the heart of the second-largest employment center in the Metroplex, and we wanted to see something special

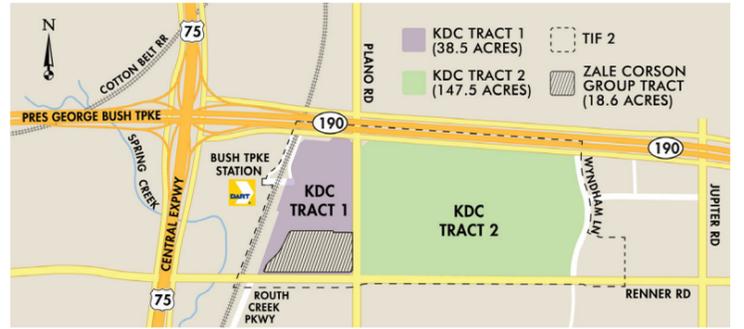
occur at this important crossroads of US 75, the President George Bush Turnpike and the DART station. The State Farm development is a perfect fit for that location and builds on our goals to develop contemporary business settings that are being sought by companies and their employees.”

The first phase of KDC’s development will include the three office towers, just under 1,000 multi-family residential units, a 150-room select service hotel, a health clinic and fitness facility, and more than 75,000 square feet of retail and restaurants.

Once all phases of KDC’s Richardson master-planned community are complete, it will include 5 million square feet of office space, 300,000 square feet of grocery, restaurant and retail space, up to 3,200 multi-family residential units and two hotels.

State Farm held a career fair in Richardson July 23-24 that focused on claims, service and sales support positions and plans to hire 700 employees by the end of the year.

# Development area will be a hub of mixed-use activity



The future of the land surrounding the Bush Turnpike rail station only begins with the State Farm Insurance office complex. While the three buildings form the core of the development, the area is envisioned as a hub of activity in a mixed-use environment.

Two companies—KDC and Zale Corson Group—have each started building the first phase of two complementary developments between the Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) rail line and Plano Road, north of Renner Road. Future transit-oriented development is planned west of the rail line, as well.

“The planning for this area was done in a way to take advantage of the DART line, Bush Turnpike and Central Expressway—it’s a

true crossroads for this community and the Metroplex,” said Richardson Development Services Director Michael Spicer.

A detailed development proposal for the land west of the DART line has not yet been submitted, but the area was included in the larger, form-based zoning plan approved by the City Council in 2011.

“This area is widely regarded as one of the prime locations in the Metroplex, and we feel like it is poised to become one of the premier mixed-use centers in the region,” Spicer said. “The employment, residential, retail and recreational components present a terrific opportunity to create an exciting neighborhood possessing a truly unique sense of place.”



Rendering of the Zale Corson mixed-use development.

# Iconic cinema opens Aug. 9

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DiGaetano said he’s been amazed by the community support for Alamo, from a strong following on Facebook and Twitter (at facebook.com/AlamoDraftHouseDFW and twitter.com/AlamoDFW) to the large crowds at Rolling Roadshow events.

“There’s already a loyal Alamo fan base across the whole Metroplex, but we’re so happy with how everybody in Richardson, and especially in the surrounding neighborhoods, has really embraced us,” he said.

The theater features seven auditoriums, including one small enough to host private events as

well as one with 247 seats—the largest screen in Alamo Drafthouse Cinema history. In addition to the food menu, there will be a wide selection of craft beers available both in the theater and in the adjoining restaurant. Alamo’s corporate policies will be strictly enforced: no talking or texting during movies (except during events such as quote-alongs), and anybody under age 18 will have to be accompanied by an adult.

“These are all things that Alamo has become known for, and we’re really looking forward to bringing this experience to Richardson,” DiGaetano said.

## State Farm 10-year Economic Impact\*



\*Source: KDC Economic Impact Study

# Legislation continues to benefit City businesses and economic development

By William C. Sproull  
President and CEO, Richardson Chamber of Commerce and Richardson Economic Development Partnership

Every two years, the Richardson Chamber of Commerce works with our state leaders in Austin to support legislation that will benefit Richardson businesses and improve our ability to attract new companies to the city.

The Chamber works closely with the City of Richardson through the Richardson Economic Development Partnership, one of the most enduring and successful collaborations of its kind.

When this year’s regular Legislative session concluded, and after two special sessions, the Chamber

achieved nearly every one of its goals for the year.

Included in this was \$667 million in tax relief over the next two years for Texas businesses. Legislation passed makes permanent a \$1 million deduction from the state franchise tax that will benefit small business owners statewide, and every Texas company will receive an across-the-board reduction of 2.5 percent on its franchise tax in 2014-15.

Much of that tax relief will flow to businesses in the large technology sector in Richardson’s Telecom Corridor® area.

Among the benefits to tech companies approved this year are:

- Tax incentives to businesses that do qualified research and

development in Texas or that buy depreciable R&D equipment.

- Tax incentives on equipment such as servers and wiring, which will benefit large corporate data centers. Richardson has a growing number of large corporate data centers, heavy industrial buildings that store servers and other gear for storing, processing and moving large amounts of electronic information.

- Limited refunds on state sales taxes paid by telecommunications, Internet service and cable television providers on networking equipment.

But the 83rd Legislature was about more than tax cuts. This

year significant progress was made for businesses and communities across the state with the creation of the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas, or SWIFT.

If approved by voters this November, the SWIFT constitutional amendment would appropriate up to \$2 billion from the state’s “rainy day fund” to help pay for water supply and conservation projects statewide. After enduring several years of drought, water resources are tremendously important to Richardson and Texas as a whole. Access to this vital resource must be expanded as we continue to grow and attract new opportunities for business and residents.

Despite these successes, there were some drawbacks, most notably

the Legislature’s failure to properly address transportation.

Richardson’s access to major traffic arteries and mass transit are one of our biggest draws for business, and it’s concerning that the Texas Department of Transportation received significantly less than the \$4 billion in annual funding it needs to maintain state roads. Also, a funding bill for building out the Cotton Belt line as part of DART did not make it out of committee.

Of course, we’re fortunate to have the relationships we have with our legislators who dedicate their time and support to make things happen in Richardson.

# International Ambassadors market Richardson to the world

The City's Telecom Corridor® area has long been home to many international businesses, but in 2011 Richardson strengthened its commitment to foreign investment by creating the Mayor's Office of International Business. Since then, director Mike Skelton has marketed Richardson in all corners of the world with the help of the International Ambassadors.

The International Ambassador Program allows people from Richardson who travel abroad for personal or business purposes to officially promote the city overseas. Richardson's ambassadors have made connections with business, government and academic leaders in China, India, Denmark, Turkey and elsewhere.

"I'm interested in working with people who can go to areas of the world that have similar business activities as Richardson and form relationships with companies and organizations there that can foster foreign direct investment," Skelton said.

The program has resulted in Richardson signing Friendly City agreements with two cities in China that also have a strong technology business presence. A Friendly City agreement is an in-

formal way to build a relationship and exchange ideas with a city in another country. Delegations from the Chinese cities have visited Richardson to meet with officials and tour local businesses.

"The role of the international initiative is to attract foreign businesses that will bring dollars into our community's tax base, create jobs and create sales tax," Skelton said. "The goal is to facilitate that type of activity as best as you can."

Skelton is hoping to expand the program by adding five or six ambassadors this year. All ambassadors must be approved by the Richardson International Business Advisory Committee and sign an agreement that outlines what their role, responsibilities and limits on commitments they can make on behalf of the city. The primary role of an ambassador is to be a promoter of Richardson and a communicator of information back to the city regarding opportunities they uncover. Before heading overseas, ambassadors receive letters of introduction and business cards they can share with international contacts. They are also provided with USB drives that contain copies of a Richardson video along with international business development

marketing materials to leave with anyone interested in learning more about the city.

Charlie Chen, a local businessman and native of Taiwan, has been an International Ambassador since the program launched and has represented Richardson on several trips to Asia. He believes the program gives Richardson an advantage in attracting foreign investment.

"When people realize that the City has a formal program to deal with international business, they like it right away," Chen said. "They know you are serious."

Initiatives like the International Ambassador Program have led to the city being ranked No. 3 in *fDi Magazine's* "American Cities of the Future List," which ranks cities for their attractiveness for inbound foreign investment. Richardson ranked third overall for cities with a population of 100,000 or less.

Skelton is proud of what the Mayor's Office of International Business has accomplished in its short tenure. He believes that by reaching across the globe through the International Ambassador program and other initiatives, Richardson residents along with the



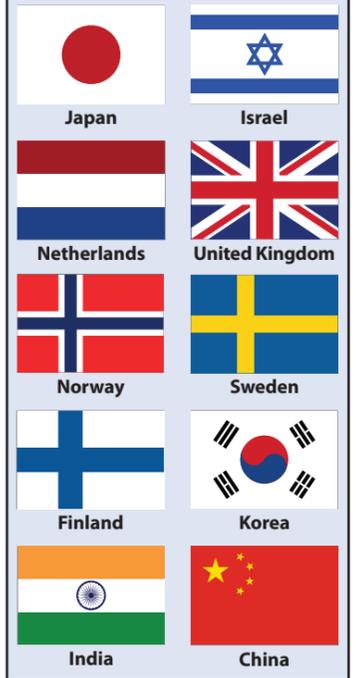
Two Richardson International Ambassadors pictured above with Director of the Mayor's Office of International Business Mike Skelton (center) are Bill Travis (left) and David Wong (right). Other Richardson International Ambassadors include Paul Peck, Per Larsen, George Brody, Dr. Hasan Pirkul, Charlie Chen, Helene Lee and Dr. Dennis Kratz.

local business community ultimately benefit.

"The International Ambassador Program is one of several initiatives we've implemented. When you put all these different programs together, the outside world looks at Richardson and says, 'You're doing the right thing,'" Skelton said. "Over time these things will have an impact on attracting foreign companies and growing our local economy."

## Richardson leads in international business activity

Richardson is recognized by the Texas Legislature as the official International Business Capital of North Texas. Countries represented by more than 50 companies in the city include:



## New Bush/Renner hospital to bring 100 jobs to area



Rendering of the new 125-bed acute care hospital.

Methodist Health System and Methodist Richardson Medical Center recently celebrated the halfway point of construction of the new MRMC-Bush/Renner hospital that will bring more than 100 new jobs to the area. Not only will it add to the level of medical care available in the region, it will boost economic activity in the growing medical field in Richardson.

"The medical industry in Richardson is sizeable for a city with a population of about 100,000," said John Jacobs, Executive Vice President of the Richardson Economic Development Partnership. "The new hospital will solidify the growing Richardson healthcare service cluster located in the Renner/Shiloh area. Hospitals also tend to attract service and product suppliers, along with ancillary specialized medical treatment facilities."

Located at the southeast corner of Renner Road and President George Bush Turnpike, the new 125-bed, four-story acute care hospital is scheduled for completion in June 2014. Among the new hospital's features are a women's pavilion; level III neonatal intensive care unit; labor, delivery, and recovery services; an advanced neurosciences program; outpatient surgical services with a focus on minimally invasive surgery with the robotic da Vinci® Surgical System; advanced cardiac care including catheterization procedures and electrophysiology; and

comprehensive imaging technologies for enhanced diagnostics and treatment. The new hospital will employ almost 900 professionals, and physicians representing more than 35 specialties are expected to join the medical staff.

"This facility marks the beginning of a new chapter for health care in Richardson and its surrounding communities," said Ken Hutchenrider Jr., FACHE, president, Methodist Richardson Medical Center. "We look forward to expanding our presence and capabilities to serve the medical needs for this area from our two Richardson campuses. This project was made possible by the vision and leadership of many elected, civic and corporate leaders, and we're proud to serve this great community alongside them."

Upon completion of the Bush/Renner hospital, specialty acute inpatient and most outpatient services will be provided at the Bush/Renner location. Plans for the Methodist Richardson Medical Center's Campbell Road campus, located at 401 W. Campbell Rd., include a renovation to maintain emergency/urgent care, primary care, and diagnostic and outpatient services, as well as expanding post-acute care services such as inpatient rehabilitation and long-term acute care. Other added services will include expansion of the behavioral health unit to include geriatric behavioral health.

## UT Dallas plays key role in business community

Since it opened in Richardson more than four decades ago, the University of Texas at Dallas (UT Dallas) has been an integral part of the City's business community, serving as a catalyst for economic development as well as a research center for innovation in technology and the sciences.

Companies are attracted by the highly skilled workforce that UT Dallas educates, as well as the research dollars that the institution attracts.

"There are numerous companies in Richardson's Telecom Corridor® area that have their roots at UT Dallas, and countless others that have quite a few UT Dallas graduates working there today," said John Jacobs, Executive Vice President of the Richardson Economic Development Partnership. "As the university continues to grow and gain research dollars, this reach will only expand."

The assistant dean of corporate relations for the Jonsson School of Engineering and Computer Sci-



Rendering of the Edith O'Donnell Arts and Technology Building.

ence, Rod Wetterskog, said local companies frequently partner with students and faculty at UT Dallas.

"We participate through internships, corporate sponsored senior design, and long-range fundamental research, just to name a few engagement strategies," Wetterskog said. "With the great faculty and students we have attracted here, companies are truly realizing a source of amazing talent and innovation. We are dedicated to providing the best qualified graduates as well as working hand in hand in research innovation."

UT Dallas is in the midst of a large campus improvement project, which will continue to attract top tier students. Opening this fall is the Edith O'Donnell Arts and Technology Building, which will house programs in visual arts, emerging media technology and multimedia communications. Inside will be classrooms for game design, sound design and visual arts, conference rooms, 2-D drawing and painting art studios, 3-D art studios, a recording studio, and photography and print-making labs, among others.

## Heights Family Aquatic Center opens

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opened in January, and the new Recreation Center opened in May.

Elements at the Family Aquatic Center—such as a rocket ship slide in the toddler area—honor the rich history of the area and are designed to fit with the surrounding neighborhoods' midcentury modern architecture. The feedback has been overwhelmingly positive, Scott said.

"As we were getting the water filled in the pool and as we were finishing the fine points of construction, the excitement of people coming by was elevated significantly," he said. "It's great to finally have the doors open and have people enjoying the facility."

The Heights Family Aquatic Center is open daily from noon to 9 p.m. through Aug. 18. It will also be open Aug. 24-25 and Aug. 31-Sept. 2 before closing for the season. Admission costs \$4 for Richardson residents and \$8 for non-residents. Children age 3 or younger are admitted free.



## Budget work session and hearings available online and TV

A tentative schedule calls for the City Council to hold a budget work session Aug. 5 and budget hearings Aug. 19 and Aug. 26 at City Hall. The Council is scheduled to vote to adopt the 2013-14 budget at its Sept. 9 meeting. The meetings are open to the public and will be broadcast live on the Internet at cor.net and on the City's cable TV channel on Time Warner Cable, channel 16 and ATT U-Verse, channel 99.

The Richardson City Council's budget retreat held July 16-17 was recorded and is available for viewing online at cor.net/budget.

## City facilities close for holiday

The Richardson City Hall/Civic Center complex, Library, Municipal Court, Animal Shelter, Heights and Huffhines Recreation Centers and the Senior Center will be closed Monday, Sept. 2, in observance of the Labor Day holiday. The offices will reopen with normal hours Tuesday, Sept. 3. The Tennis Center will be open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Sept. 2. Call the Police Department at 972-744-4800 for emergencies when the Animal Shelter is closed.

## Holiday schedule and recycle make up days

Due to the Labor Day holiday, there will be NO solid waste pick up or special pick up Monday, Sept. 2. The table below shows the recycle make-up days.

Recycle collection days affected by holiday	Make-up day
Monday, Sept. 2	Tuesday, Sept. 3
Tuesday, Sept. 3	Wednesday, Sept. 4

## Annual algal bloom may affect the taste and odor of water

The North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) reports that an algal bloom is increasing in its reservoirs and may begin to affect the odor and taste of water in Richardson and the other cities it supplies with water.

An algal bloom occurs naturally when high temperatures and dry weather provide good conditions for the Nostoc and Anabaena species of blue green algae to reproduce, or "bloom." The phenomenon typically occurs in the North Texas region in late

July and August and does not pose any health risks.

NTMWD employees monitor algae levels in the water and take steps to minimize the changes in taste and odor.

Currently, NTMWD is preparing to implement ozonation, a new water treatment process that is expected to reduce or eliminate many of the odor and taste issues experienced during lake algal blooms. Full implementation is expected to be complete in early 2014.

## Street rehabilitation project begins

Richardson City Council Members recently broke ground on a street rehabilitation project that will include improvements to Pitt-

man Street, Grace Drive and Lois Lane. The \$1.8 million project is funded through the 2010 Bond Program.

The project includes reconstruction of Pittman Street from Abrams Road to Grove Road, Grace Drive from Abrams Road to Highland Boulevard and Lois Lane from Polk Street to Highland Boulevard. Construction crews will install curb-to-curb concrete pavement, a new water main, storm sewer and barrier free ramps. The project also includes a new sidewalk in the 400 blocks of Pittman Street and Grace Drive.

The project is expected to be complete in March 2014.

Stay posted on the status of projects through the 2010 Bond Program by clicking the Bond Tracker link at cor.net/2010Bond.



The City Council celebrated the beginning of a street rehabilitation project that is part of the 2010 Bond Program. Pictured from left are: Council Member Scott Dunn, Mayor Pro Tem Bob Townsend, Mayor Laura Maczka, and Council Members Mark Solomon, Paul Voelker, Kendal Hartley and Steve Mitchell.

## City of Richardson, UT Dallas join effort to create next-gen Internet applications

The Richardson Economic Development Partnership, a joint effort of the City of Richardson and Richardson Chamber of Commerce, recently announced that it has partnered with The University of Texas at Dallas (UT Dallas) to join the US Ignite initiative. Through this partnership, Richardson and UT Dallas will explore opportunities to develop applications for access to an ultra-fast broadband network, uniquely positioning them to help North Texas-based companies, independent application developers, researchers and students in creating and testing innovative new applications requiring ultra-high bandwidth.

Richardson's and UT Dallas' participation in US Ignite is expected to be a major stimulus for the creation of new, high-tech

businesses locally, as well as a powerful factor attracting companies from around the world and U.S. to Richardson.

"Joining US Ignite creates far-reaching opportunities for Richardson and its corporate, academic and entrepreneurial partners in the community," said Richardson Economic Development Partnership CEO Bill Sproull. "By becoming the first Texas municipal US Ignite partner and fostering advancement of this important national initiative, working hand-in-hand with UT Dallas, Richardson will further burnish its longstanding global reputation as the home of the Telecom Corridor® area and as a hotbed of technological innovation and entrepreneurship."

Using its technical infrastructure UT Dallas will explore opportunities to facilitate the community's participation in the US Ignite initiative through a connection to the Global Environment for

Network Innovations (GENI) network. A UT Dallas GENI network connection can provide a testing environment suitable for high-bandwidth applications developed by the university's researchers and students, as well as local third-party developers. UT Dallas currently has researchers developing software-defined network (SDN) technology, a cornerstone technology for the ultra-high speed internet, and can provide significant technical expertise to Richardson's initiative.

The City of Richardson will seek to collaborate with current US Ignite sponsors such as Cisco, as well as other telecom industry leaders located in Richardson to create a smart and connected community. Parties interested in participating in the Richardson US Ignite initiative or seeking more information should contact the Richardson Economic Development Partnership at 972-792-2800.

## CPAAA awards scholarships

Three outstanding area high school students who are children of Richardson Police Department employees were recently awarded \$1,000 scholarships from the Richardson Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association.

Kate Brown (daughter of Police Officer Bill Brown), Allyson Mankin (daughter of Neighborhood Patrol Officer David Mankin), and Taylor Neitsch (son of Police Officer John Neitsch) each received the award that will help them to continue their education.

Since 2006, the alumni association has provided \$12,500 to 16 students.

Brown attended Garland Christian Academy and will attend Saint John's University majoring in anthropology.

Mankin attended Richland College Collegiate High School and will attend the University of Central Oklahoma majoring in funeral services.

Neitsch attended Lovejoy High School and will attend the University of Oklahoma majoring in petroleum engineering.

## Annual Senior Awareness Day is Aug. 3 at Richardson City Hall

The Fifth Annual District 112 Senior Awareness Day (co-hosted by State Representative Angie Chen Button and the cities of Richardson, Garland, Sachse, Rowlett and Dallas) will be held Saturday, Aug. 3 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Richardson City Hall/Civic Center, 411 W. Arapaho Rd.

Senior Awareness Day is put on to educate the seniors of Richardson, Garland, Sachse, Rowlett and Dallas of community resources available to them as well as to provide them with some great entertainment.

"Senior citizens contribute so much to our community, and I am deeply honored to represent and work toward the betterment of our community with such wonderful people," said Rep. Button.

The event will include exhibitors, entertainment, refreshments and door prizes. The Dallas Area Agency on Aging will have benefits counselors present to answer questions and provide assistance on Medicare, Medicaid, Social Security and other programs for seniors.



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# Back to School

## 2013-14 Richardson ISD Calendar

<b>Aug. 26</b> Classes begin	<b>March 10-14</b> Spring break
<b>Sept. 2</b> Labor Day holiday	<b>March 17</b> Student holiday
<b>Oct. 14-15</b> Student holidays	<b>April 18</b> (Holiday or snow make-up day)
<b>Nov. 27-29</b> Student holiday/Thanksgiving	<b>May 26</b> Memorial Day holiday
<b>Dec. 20-Jan. 6</b> Winter break/student holidays	<b>June 5</b> Classes end
<b>Jan. 20</b> Martin Luther King holiday	<b>June 6</b> Snow make-up day
<b>Feb. 17</b> Student holiday	<b>June 8-9</b> Graduation

## Chamber honors new teachers Aug. 14

Teachers new to the Richardson Independent School District will be welcomed and honored by the Richardson Chamber of Commerce Aug. 14.

The New Teachers Luncheon will be 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Renaissance Hotel – Dallas/Richardson.

Prices are \$40 for Chamber members and \$50 for non-members. The featured speaker is former Texas State Sen. Florence Shapiro.

For more information or to donate a door prize for the new teachers, call 972-792-2820.



## RISD calls for school supplies

The RISD Partners Program is in need of your help! To help families in need and to reduce the number of students who return to school in the fall without school supplies, the Partners Program will collect school supplies for delivery to schools through Oct. 1. Cash or check donations are also accepted.

Contact RISD Community Relations Coordinator Amanda O'Neal at 469-593-0307 or amanda.oneal@risd.org. Donated school supplies can be dropped off at the RISD Administration Building, 400 S. Greenville Ave. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. weekdays.

## Crossing guards needed

Do you know someone who could use extra income—a college student, a homemaker, a retired person? The City currently has openings for school crossing guards or crossing guard substitutes for the coming school year.

Applicants must be 18 years or older and have a high school diploma or GED. They must be able to work three hours a day, enjoy children and working outdoors. Beginning salary is \$9 per hour.

For more information, call Kathy Hennion at 972-744-4943.



## 2013-14 Plano ISD Calendar

<b>Aug. 26</b> Classes begin	<b>Feb. 17</b> Student holiday
<b>Sept. 2</b> Labor Day holiday	<b>March 10-14</b> Spring break
<b>Oct. 18-21</b> Student holidays	<b>April 18</b> Student holiday
<b>Nov. 27-29</b> Thanksgiving holidays	<b>May 26</b> Memorial Day holiday
<b>Dec. 23-Jan. 6</b> Winter break/student holidays	<b>June 6</b> Classes end
<b>Jan. 20</b> Martin Luther King holiday	<b>June 9, 10</b> Inclement weather days
	<b>TBD</b> Graduation

## Richardson ISD registration information



### Elementary

Registration occurs from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 13, through Friday, Aug. 16 at each elementary school. Please contact your attendance area school for registration hours and days after Aug. 16.

### Secondary (grades 7-12)

For registration information, please contact your attendance area school.

### Questions?

Please contact your school, visit risd.org or call 469-593-0000.

## Plano ISD registration information



### Elementary (grades K-5)

Register at your child's assigned school between 9-11 a.m. or 1-3 p.m. on Aug. 12 or 13. No appointment necessary.

### Middle school (grades 6-8)

New students should contact their schools to schedule appointments. Appointments will be scheduled between 9 a.m.-noon or 1-3 p.m. on Aug. 8, 9 and 12.

### High school (grades 9-10)

New students should contact their schools to schedule appointments. Appointments will be scheduled between 9 a.m.-noon or 1-3 p.m. on Aug. 5-7.

### Senior high school (grades 11-12)

New students should contact their schools to schedule appointments.

### Questions?

Please visit pisd.edu or call 469-752-8295.

### Please bring the following documents to registration:

- Birth Certificate
- Social Security Card
- Proof of Residence (gas, water, electric bill, or current lease)
- Parent Driver's License
- Current Immunization Record (visit risd.org/immunization or pisd.edu/parents/health/immunizations.shtml for requirements)



## SCHOOL HOURS

### Richardson ISD

469-593-0000

risd.org

Grades K-6

8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Junior High

8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Senior High

9 a.m.-4:10 p.m.

### Plano ISD

469-752-8100

pisd.edu

Elementary

7:45 a.m.-2:45 p.m.

Middle School

8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

High School & Senior

High School

9 a.m.-4:15 p.m.

## Free Immunization Clinic 820 W. Arapaho Rd.

To be eligible for this free clinic, you MUST:

- Be a Richardson resident or an RISD student
- Be 18 years old or younger
- **NOT have private health insurance that covers immunizations, and NOT be enrolled in CHIP**

### Hours

(by appointment only—call 972-744-4076 to schedule)

Tuesdays

4:30-8:30 p.m.

Saturdays

9 a.m.-1 p.m.

A partnership of the City of Richardson, Methodist Richardson Medical Center and Junior League of Richardson

## Sales tax holidays are Aug. 9-11

The annual tax-free shopping weekend will be Aug. 9-11. Sales tax will not be charged on clothing, footwear, school-related backpacks and school supplies from 12:01 a.m. Friday, Aug. 9, to midnight Sunday, Aug. 11.

The exemption applies to each article of clothing, footwear, backpack or supply sold for less than \$100, regardless of how many items are purchased. (For example, two shirts purchased for \$80 each would be exempt, but a single shirt that cost \$120 would not.)

The sales tax holiday does not include sales of special clothing and footwear normally worn only for athletic activities or for protection. For example, basketball or tennis shoes are commonly worn for other activities,

so they may be sold tax-free during this period. But golf shoes are not normally used for other activities and will be taxed.

Tax will be due on sales of accessories, including jewelry, handbags, purses, briefcases, luggage, umbrellas, wallets, watches and similar items. Clothing and shoe rentals will also continue to be subject to state and local sales or use tax.

Backpacks for students are exempt from sales tax during this period. Even backpacks with wheels qualify as long as they can also be worn on the back in the traditional manner.

For more information, contact the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts at 800-252-5555 or visit window.state.tx.us.

# Eisemann Center/Cultural Arts/Community Events

## 2013-14 Eisemann Center Presents tickets now on sale

Tickets for the Eisemann Center Presents 2013-14 season are now on sale.

The season kicks off Monday, Oct. 7, with the start of the Keyboard Conversations® series, followed by Clint Black 2013 Acoustic Tour on Saturday, Oct. 12.

The season also includes *Blame it on Valentine, Texas*, starring Jason Williams of "Greater Tuna" fame, and *The Fantasticks*. Visit [eisemanncenter.com](http://eisemanncenter.com) for a complete season brochure.

All shows qualify for the Multi-Show Discount Program, which lets you create your own entertain-



Clint Black

ment package with any four or more shows and save up to 20 percent.

Tickets may be purchased online or by telephone. Series subscriptions are not available online, but orders are accepted by mail, fax, telephone and in person at the Ticket Office. Visit [eisemanncenter.com](http://eisemanncenter.com) or call the Ticket Office at 972-744-4650 for more information. Group sales are also available at 972-744-4657.



## Volunteer ESL tutors needed!

- No teaching experience required
- No need to speak another language
- Free training
- Daytime and evening opportunities available

## Tutor Training Workshop

10 a.m.-4 p.m.  
Saturday, Aug. 17  
Richardson  
Public Library

Call 972-644-5119 or e-mail [director@ralc.org](mailto:director@ralc.org) to register.

### Did you know?

10,000+ Richardson residents don't speak English well ... but many want to learn. Make it possible - make a difference!



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

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

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

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

2005 North Cliffe Dr.  
Richardson, Texas 75082

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

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

## At the Eisemann Center

Ticket Office: 972-744-4650 or [eisemanncenter.com](http://eisemanncenter.com)

### iDrum Entertainment presents

A Jazz Crossover Concert  
with Mista Lamont  
8 p.m. Aug. 16, 17  
Bank of America Theatre  
Tickets: \$15-\$25  
[mistalamont.com](http://mistalamont.com)

### Daniel Ulbricht presents

Stars of American Ballet  
7:30 p.m. Aug. 20  
Hill Performance Hall  
Tickets: \$25-\$90  
[starsofamericanballet.com](http://starsofamericanballet.com)

### The Rich-Tones Chorus presents

*Highway to Harmony*  
featuring guest artists  
Street Corner Symphony  
3 p.m. Aug. 24  
8 p.m. Aug. 24  
Hill Performance Hall  
Tickets: \$15-\$40

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

### KHS of North Texas presents

"Symphony USA 2013"  
K.S. Chitra and M.G. Kumar  
6:30 p.m. Aug. 31  
Hill Performance Hall  
Tickets: \$75  
[guruvayurappan.us](http://guruvayurappan.us)

## At the Library

900 Civic Center Dr.  
972-744-4350



### General Interest

#### Lunchtime Lectures: "Churchill"

Aug. 6 and 13, 11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Basement Program Room. Presented by Richard Cudlipp. Call 972-744-4376 for info.

#### "Alone in the Dark"

Aug. 14, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Basement Program Room. A program for teens and adults about the Holocaust.

#### Lunchtime Lecture

Aug. 20, 11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Basement Program Room. Holocaust survivor Max Glaubien, from the Dallas Holocaust Museum. Call Janet Vance at 972-744-4376 for info.

#### Book Groups

Registration is requested for all book groups and clubs.

#### First Wednesday Book Club

Aug. 7, 7-8:45 p.m., Second Floor Conference Room. "The Book Thief" by Markus Zusak. Call 972-744-4376.

#### Second Wednesday BOOKbabble Group

Aug. 14, 10:30-11:45 a.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "Escape from Camp #14" by Blaine Harden. Call Janet Vance, 972-744-4376.

#### Third Wednesday BOOKbabble Group

Aug. 21, 10:30-11:45 a.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "The Kitchen House" by Kathleen Grissom. Call Penny Manly, 972-744-4350.

### The Library will be

**CLOSED**

Friday, Aug. 16,  
for a staff in-service day.

#### Fourth Tuesday

#### BOOKbabble Group

Aug. 27, 7:30-8:45 p.m. Second Floor Conference Room. "Home Front" by Kristin Hannah. Call Janet Vance, 972-744-4376.

#### Children's Activities

#### Movie Matinee and Popcorn

Aug. 1, 2-3:45 p.m. Basement Program Room. "Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days."

#### 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.

#### "Zoo to You!" with the Dallas Zoo

Aug. 11, 2:30-3:15 p.m. or 3:30-4:15 p.m. Basement Program Room.

#### Special Interest

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

#### Writers' Guild of Texas

Aug. 19, 7-8:30 p.m. Basement Program Room. "The Business of Writing" presented by LaRee Bryant

#### Community Writers' Critique Group

Aug. 21, 6:30-8:45 p.m. Basement Program Room.

## At the Senior Center

820 W. Arapaho Rd.  
972-744-7800

### Special Events

#### Out to Lunch Bunch Aug. 20—Olive Garden

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

#### "Writing a Family Memoir" Aug. 22—1 p.m.

We all have our memories of family and old friends, of good times and tough battles. We think, "Boy, I could write a book!" Well, yes you can. Author L.E. Taylor will share his own approaches, learned over several years writing his recent book, "Elgan and Grace—A Twentieth Century Saga." The novel is based upon true stories, oral history and the author's own eyewitness accounts. While some of the episodes flash back to the 18th century, most occur in the mid-20th. Taylor will read excerpts from his book to show how he did it and give tips on how you can enjoy doing the same. Bring pen and paper. Refreshments provided. No fee.

#### FREE Carter Eye Screening Aug. 27—10 a.m.

The Carter Mobile Eye Van will be parked at the Senior Center's north parking lot Tuesday, Aug. 27, to offer free eye health screenings. No appointment necessary.

#### "The Sounds of Fall" Sept. 4—7 p.m.

Tickets are \$2. Accomplished violinist Lev Kardonsky will perform an evening of popular and classical violin pieces that will make for a memorable evening. Kardonsky has

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

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

#### Health Connection

#### "The ABCDs of Medicare" Aug. 29—10 a.m.

Medicare specialists from 50 Plus Advisors will give a presentation to provide specifics on all the components of Medicare, discuss available options and offer a Q&A after the presentation. Do not miss this convenient opportunity to learn about Medicare and have your questions answered by Medicare specialists.

#### Travel Opportunities Granbury Sept. 20-21

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

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

cluded. Deadline for registration is Aug. 30.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Dinner will be in Granbury before we return to Richardson.

#### Fall and Winter Trip Meeting Sept. 3—1 p.m.

The September Granbury trip, our Christmas trip plans to New Mexico, and your ideas for 2014 travel destinations will be on the agenda for discussion.

Bring your questions and ideas.

# City recognized as Gold Star Affiliate by Keep Texas Beautiful



**More than 850 volunteers joined together to help keep Richardson beautiful at this year's Trash Bash. The volunteers collected 5,000 pounds of trash and 3,589 pounds of recyclable materials from city streets, parks, creeks and schoolyards.**

Keep Texas Beautiful, a state-wide grassroots environmental and community improvement organization, recently named Richardson a Gold Star Affiliate, a designation conferred on just 62 of KTB's more than 360 affiliates in 2013. Gold Star recognition is the highest status any community affiliate can achieve.

Richardson successfully implemented programs to prevent litter, reduce waste, beautify community areas and educate local citizens last year.

Additionally, through strong relationships created by the city's homeowner associations that cover 98 percent of the community, and with countless social, civic and service organizations, Richardson successfully launched and supported environmental campaigns and initiatives including: community gardens; an ordinance to allow rainwater harvesting; and support through the passage of property taxes to build higher-quality and environmentally friendly facilities.

Richardson's litter prevention efforts reflect the collaboration of several groups that contribute to frequent cleanup events throughout the city, including the annual Trash Bash. In April 2013, Richardson hosted 850 volunteers, who collected 5,000 pounds of trash and 3,589 pounds of recyclable materials, more than 30,000 pounds of shredded documents, over 75 pounds of plastic grocery bags filling almost two recycle bins, and more than 15,000 pounds of electronics.

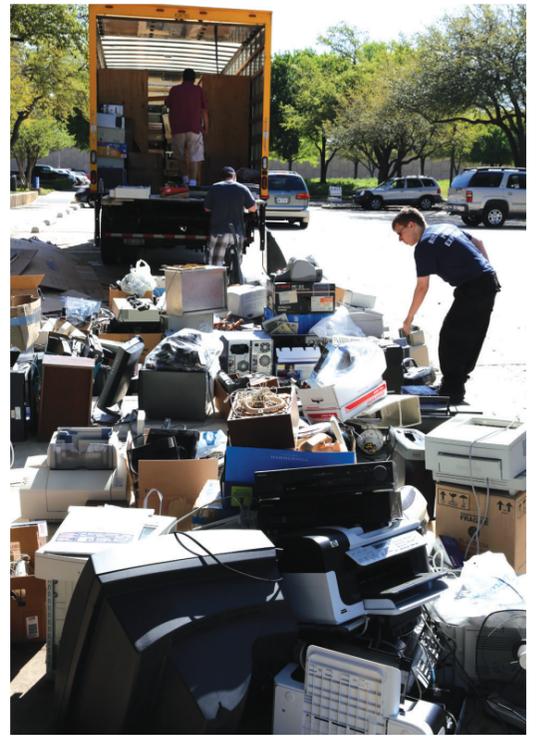
The City's goal of designing and incorporating new facilities that are LEED certified is being achieved with the recently opened Huffhines Recreation Center, Heights Recreation Center, Fire Station #4, and soon-to-open Fire Training Center/EOC.

Enhancing the community's environment through a series of initiatives and supporting a city-wide strategy to address conservation and recycling efforts have brought untold benefits to Richardson residents.

To stay in good standing with KTB, community affiliates must annually submit a report, pay dues, attend at least one training session and participate in at least one KTB-endorsed activity. In 2004, the organization introduced

the concept of Gold Star recognition to reward communities that sought to go above and beyond the established requirements. To achieve this status, affiliates are required to meet additional benchmarks: they must share information on their mission and goals, answer questions about their educational programs and solid waste initiatives, participate in the Keep Texas Beautiful or Governor's Community Achievement Awards programs, and provide a letter of support from their community. KTB formally recognized Gold Star communities during its 46th Annual Conference, held June 17-20 in downtown San Antonio.

Keep Texas Beautiful strives to educate and engage Texans to take responsibility for improving their community environment. KTB



**Volunteers collected 15,000 pounds of electronics for recycling at the annual Trash Bash.**

and its more than 360 affiliates work with government, businesses, civic groups and volunteers to ensure every Texan has the opportunity to make Texas the cleanest, most beautiful state in the nation. For more information on programs and events, call 1-800-CLEAN-TX or visit [ktb.org](http://ktb.org)

## NNO planning meeting is Aug. 6

The first planning meeting for this year's National Night Out (NNO) event (to be held Oct. 1) will held at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6, in the Grand Hall at the Richardson Civic Center, 411 W. Arapaho Rd. Neighborhood Crime Watch Block Captains, Neighborhood Association Safety Facilitators, Crime Watch Patrol Coordinators and persons responsible for planning NNO parties, are invited to attend.

This annual meeting brings Neighborhood Watch Leaders together for fellowship, to exchange

ideas and to plan for National Night Out. Also, last year's Neighborhood Award Winners will again be recognized by the Police Department. NNO packets will be available at this meeting, and a drawing will be held to assign the NNO 2013 specialty block party visits.

Neighborhood Watch Leaders are encouraged to invite those who may not have an organized Neighborhood Watch on their street to join in the fun and fellowship and to find out the advantage of having a Neighborhood

Watch on their own block.

For more information on Richardson's NNO 2013, visit [cor.net/pd](http://cor.net/pd) or contact the Richardson Police Department Crime Prevention Unit at 972-744-4955.



## Use caution when bats are near

Bats are generally good and useful animals. They are great for keeping down populations of bugs and flying insects and their droppings can also be useful as fertilizer.

While bats play an important role in our ecosystem, they are also associated with rabies, a disease that is deadly to humans and animals.

The most common bat in North Texas is the Mexican Free-Tailed, a medium-sized bat native to the Americas. They are widely regarded as one of the most abundant mammals in North America and one of the highest carriers of rabies.

North Texas happens to be right in the middle of their June through September migration from the south to the north.

The following are a few important reminders to keep yourself and pets safe.

- If you insist on handling a bat, always wear heavy leather gloves. A box to move it would be preferred.
- Always keep your pet currently vaccinated against rabies. This is the most important thing you can do to protect your cat or your dog.
- If you do find a bat on the ground, do not touch it. Contact the Richardson Animal Shelter and let the trained staff handle it.
- If you find a bat hanging from a tree or from your house, do not touch it. Contact the Animal Shelter and inform a staff member of its location.
- If you find a bat in your home, close off all the rooms and contact the Shelter staff and allow them to handle it.

If you have questions or want more information on bats, contact the Richardson Animal Shelter at 972-744-4480.



## Richardson Woman's Club Charitable Foundation awards eight scholarships to local students

The Richardson Woman's Club Charitable Foundation awarded eight college scholarships totaling \$19,000 to seniors from the four Richardson Independent School District high schools. Each year the Richardson Woman's Club awards scholarships to senior students accepted at public colleges and universities in Texas.

The 2012-2013 seniors, their high schools and selected colleges or universities are: Emily Alonzo, Berkner HS, University of Texas at Austin; Benjamin Wernsman, Richardson HS, University of Texas at Austin; Casandra Tamayo, Pearce HS, El Centro College; Milen Haile, Berkner HS, Texas Tech University; Hannah Willard, Lake Highlands HS, Texas A&M University; Maria Vazquez, Pearce HS, University of Texas at Dallas; Hunter Stephen, Lake Highlands HS, Austin Community College; Madeline Drake, Pearce HS, University of Texas at Austin.

## Draining standing water part of mosquito management program



**Health Department employees work on draining standing water that can be a breeding ground for mosquitoes. This kind of work is a big part of the City's mosquito management program. Learn more about Richardson's program at [cor.net/mosquito](http://cor.net/mosquito).**

972-744-4300

cor.net/parks

**Parks & Recreation**

**Sherrill Park Golf Course**

2001 E. Lookout Dr. 972-234-1416

**Private Lessons**

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

**Tournaments**

Aug. 24-25—  
City Championship

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

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



**Course 2 Specials!**

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

**Golf It Up**

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

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

**Class dates and times**

Mondays, Aug. 5-26	6-8 p.m.	4 weeks	\$140
Wednesdays, Aug. 7-28	6-8 p.m.	4 weeks	\$140
Saturdays, Aug. 10-31	2-4 p.m.	4 weeks	\$140

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

**Junior Golf Camp**

8 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Aug. 5-9 and Aug. 12-16

Cost per session: \$260

The Sherrill Park Learning Center Powered by Titleist® offers instruction to junior golfers of all skill levels. Our groundbreaking approach is to teach golf in a fun, non-intimidating environment. The goal of the class is to teach junior golfers a game that they can enjoy for a lifetime.

**Junior Golf Camp includes:**

- 20 hours of instruction (3-5 hours of course time)
- A Learning Center hat and bag tag
- Lunch and snacks each day



**Ballfields honor former City Manager**

The City last month dedicated Keffler Ballpark at Breckinridge Park, on North Brand Road just south of Renner Road.

The ceremony included the unveiling of a new entry sign for the ballpark, which is named in honor of former City Manager Bill Keffler, who spent his entire career in city management with the City of Richardson. He served as City Manager from 1995 until his retirement in 2012.

After the ballpark dedication, the Keffler family played a game of whiffle ball with City of Richardson staff, which the Kefflers won, 11-1.



The City dedicated Keffler Ballpark last month, recognizing former City Manager Bill Keffler for his years of service to the community.

**Pools close for season Aug. 11**

City of Richardson pools will close for the year Aug. 11. Heights Family Aquatic Center will be open for daily use through Aug. 18 and will be open the weekends of Aug. 24-25 and Aug. 31-Sept. 2.

**Heights Family Aquatic Center**

Open: noon-9 p.m.  
709 W. Arapaho Rd.  
972-744-7856



**Canyon Creek Pool**

Open: 1-8 p.m.  
Closed: Mondays  
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: Tuesdays  
1321 W. Belt Line Rd.  
972-644-7156

**Glenville Pool**

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

**Terrace Pool**

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



**Huffhines Tennis Center**

1601 Syracuse Dr. 972-744-7870

**Group Lessons—Adults/Juniors**

Aug. 5-23  
Meet twice per week for three weeks.

**Adult Leagues**

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

Call for pricing information.

**Summer Slam Tennis Camps**

For players ages 5-16 years of all skill levels.

8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Monday-Friday

Aug. 5-9 and 19-23

\$150 for full week or \$40 daily

Register online: [cor.net/parksonline](http://cor.net/parksonline)

**Ladies Golf League seeks players**

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. If you would like to enjoy a round of golf and meet a great group of ladies at the same time, this is the place for you.

For further information, please contact:

- Nancy Stubbs, 972-669-8909
- Debbie Willens, 248-705-2795
- Barbara Burkhalter, 972-867-5863

**Sherrill Park's annual City Championship is Aug. 24-25**

Sherrill Park Golf Course will hold its annual City Championship Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 24-25. The tournament will be played on Course 1 and Course 2.

Entry fee will be \$150, or \$80 and 2 punches if you have a resident punch card. The cost includes green fees and cart. Lunch will be provided on Saturday. The tournament will be flighted by handicap,

and it is preferred that entrants have a verifiable USGA handicap. Trophies and awards will be given for five flights, as well as a ladies' flight. The resident champion will have his name inscribed on the Pro Shop trophy and will take home a championship plaque.

For more information, contact the Sherrill Park Pro Shop at 972-234-1416.



**Register NOW!**  
**Richardson Soccer Association**  
**Fall 2013 Season!**

- The 2013 Fall Season begins in mid-September.
- Seasons are typically 6-10 games. Kids as young as 3 years old can play! (Players must turn 4 by July 31, 2014.)

**How to Register:**

Online: [richardsonsoccer.org](http://richardsonsoccer.org)

In Person:

651 N. Plano Rd. #421

(Between Arapaho and Belt Line)

Monday-Thursday: 1-6 p.m.

972-234-2571

**Registration Dates and Deadlines:\***

Regular Registration: Aug. 1-18

Late Registration: Aug. 19-23

Wait List: Begins Aug. 24

\*Special requirements for new players and those outside of the City of Richardson. Players must live in ZIP codes 75080, 75081 or 75082 to participate. Late and Wait List registration requires \$10 late fee.

Visit [richardsonsoccer.org](http://richardsonsoccer.org) to register online!

**Richardson AnimaLuv DOG SPLASH DAY!**



**Saturday,**  
**Aug. 17**  
**11 a.m.-4 p.m.**

**Terrace Pool**  
**300 N. Lois Ln.**  
**\$5 per dog,**  
**humans free**

- Concessions and canine fun!
- No pre-registration required, but pool capacity will be monitored for fun and safety.
- Must have current rabies vaccination to enter.
- Humans will be responsible for their dog's behavior.

[RICHARDSONANIMALUV.ORG](http://RICHARDSONANIMALUV.ORG)

Benefitting the  
Richardson Animal Shelter

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

All activities listed on pages 10-11 take place at the Richardson Senior Center unless otherwise noted. Additional Senior Center related activities can be found on page 7. Call 972-744-7800 for more information.

**Special Events and Trip Information**  
Special events and trip information can be found on page 7 of this publication.

**Classes**

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

**AARP Driver Safety Classes**

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

Aug. 1	8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Aug. 15	6-10 p.m.

**Drug and Alcohol Driving Awareness**

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

Aug. 5	5:30-9 p.m.
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Cost for the class with membership: 55 and over, \$15; 54 and under, \$25; without membership: 55 and over, \$18; 54 and under, \$28. Please call 972-744-7800 or e-mail lakesidedriving@yahoo.com to register.

**Defensive Driving for Ticket Dismissal**

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

Aug. 12 & 15	6-9 p.m.
Aug. 10 & 17	1:15-4:15 p.m.
Aug. 26 & 29	6-9 p.m.

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

**Fundamentals of Windows**

Overcome your fear of personal computers and be introduced to the basics of personal computing. You will learn the differences of Windows 7 and 8, Vista and XP. This class will help prepare you for when you are ready to explore other computer programs. Classes are held Mondays from 1-2 p.m. The next four-week session starts Aug. 5. Cost is \$50 with membership; \$53 without membership.

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

Learn how to sell on the internet, do research and create listings to attract buyers, enhance listings with better descriptions and monitor sales to know exactly what's working and what's not. The next two-class session will be Aug. 20 and Aug. 27 with a morning class from 9 a.m.-noon and an evening class from 6-9 p.m. Cost for the class is \$50 with membership; \$53 without membership.

**iPhone Instruction 101**

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

**iPhone Instruction 102**

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

**iPad Instruction 101**

Learn how an iPad will make your PC information portable and convenient. Bring your iPad to class Monday, Aug. 5 from 7-8 p.m. Cost of the class is \$60 with membership; \$65 without membership.

**iPad Instruction 102**

This class will cover all of the functions and applications available for your iPad. Bring your iPad to class Monday, Aug. 5 from 8-9 p.m. Cost is \$60 with a membership; \$65 without a membership.

**RECOLLECTIONS**

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

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

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

**All Position Line Square Dance Lessons**

Classes began June 6 and will continue through Dec. 12. Cost: \$85.

**Plus Square Dance**

Classes started July 30 and will continue through Nov. 5. Cost: \$50 per dancer per quarter.

**Friendship Plus**

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

**Ceramics**

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

**Fun with Oils**

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

**Oil Painting**

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

**Becky Parks Art Lessons**

Monthly classes are designed for all levels of painters and are taught by award-winning local artist Becky Parks. Classes are Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Cost for the class is \$100 per month. Next session begins Aug. 7.

**Adult Piano Lessons**

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

**Crochet**

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

**Quilt Essentials**

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

**ABC Quilting**

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

**Conversational Spanish**

Brush up on your Spanish skills by joining our intermediate Spanish class. Some knowledge of the Spanish language is required. Call the instructor, Susan Garza, at 214-321-9637 for more details. Next class will start Sept. 12. Class is 10-11 a.m. and runs for eight weeks. Cost is \$48.

**Programs**

**Happy Birthday Party**

We now celebrate birthdays that are in the seasons of SPRING, SUMMER, FALL or WINTER on the last Monday of the first month of each season at 2 p.m. Fall-September; Winter-December; Spring-March; Summer-June. Fall birthdays celebrated Sept. 30.

**Needleworks**

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

**Pool Tournaments**

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

**Senior Table Tennis**

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

**Senior Bowling League**

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

**Senior Golf League**

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

**Tennis League**

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

**2013 Flu Shot Clinic**

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

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

Sept. 12, 1-4 p.m.

Medicare will be billed for those with insurance coverage through Medicare Part B and some participating insurers, and not enrolled in a HMO. Medicare Part A participants and those enrolled in a HMO will be charged \$25 for the shot. You MUST present your Medicare card or participating insurance card for Maxim to bill for you. We will start taking appointments Aug. 1. Please call 972-744-7800 to secure your appointment.

**Senior Holiday Bazaar**

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

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**Robin's Nest Craft Store**

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

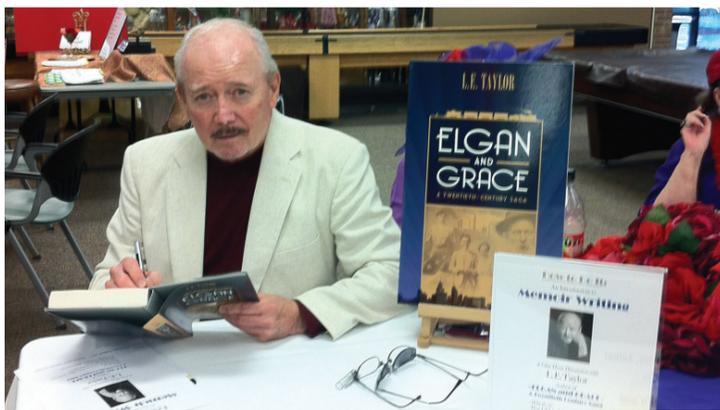
The crafts pictured were made by Pearl Larcade, who makes these lovely floral arrangements.



972-744-7800

820 W. Arapaho Rd.

Senior Center



**L.E. Taylor, author of "Elgan and Grace-A Twentieth Century Saga," will discuss his adventures in writing and his lessons on how to get started writing a memoir Aug. 22 at 1 p.m. No Fee.**

### Richardson Public Library

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

### The Vintage Dance Club

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

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

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

### Emeritus Plus 50 program at Richland College

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

### Book Club

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

### Reelers Square Dance

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

### Sing-A-Long

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

### The Richardson Red Hatters

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

### Chess Club

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

### Password and Mental Aerobics

Monday at 10 a.m.

### Bingo

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

### Let's Play "42"

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

### Yarn Arts

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

### Tatting

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

### Photography Club

If photography is your hobby or you just love to take pictures, how about joining a photography club to share ideas and know-how? You do not have to own professional equipment, just the love of capturing a moment. Meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month, 7-9 p.m. No fee.

## Services

### NEW!! iHeart Screening

iHeart Center will be at the Senior Center Aug. 21 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. to provide screening for Peripheral Artery Disease (PAD). Please call 972-744-7800 for an appointment.

### NEW!! Hearing Screening

Zounds Hearing of North Texas will offer free hearing screenings and check hearing aids Aug. 7 from 9-10 a.m. Please call 972-744-7800 for your appointment.

### Chair Massage

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

### City of Richardson Transportation Service

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

### Friendly Visitors

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

### Volunteer Opportunities

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

### Blood Pressure Checks

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

### The Seniors' Net

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

### Benefits Counseling

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

### Counseling Services

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

### RSVP Volunteer Program Help Needed!!!

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

### The Memory Café

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

## Fitness

### Aerobic Exercise

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

### Zumba Gold

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

### How is your balance?

Personalized fitness programs are designed to help increase cardiovascular endurance, strength, flexibility and balance. All sessions are in a private room and are just \$60 each with a six-session commitment (\$90 each session for couples). Call 972-744-7800 to make your appointment with personal trainer Elaine Hosage. She is certified in special population (seniors) and general population by the Cooper Institute.

### Fit For Life—Beginning Strength Training Class

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

### Fit For Life—Intermediate Strength Training Class

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

### Sit and Be Fit

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

### Hatha Yoga for all Ages

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

### Tai Chi for all Ages

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

### Stretch and Strengthen

This class is designed for men and women at all fitness levels. You will regain or improve muscle tone, balance and flexibility. Wear comfortable loose-fitting clothing. Classes are Wednesday from 10-11 a.m. Cost is \$4.

### Pilates Class

Learn the basics of Mat Pilates from certified instructor Becky Parks. Classes meet every Monday from 10-11 a.m. and are for beginners as well as those with some experience. This class is done on the floor with a mat. Strengthen your core muscles to help improve posture, reduce lower backaches and gain balance. Class is for all ages and fitness levels. Class fee is \$5.

### WaterAerobic Classes

**Fall WaterAerobic Classes will start Sept. 2.**

**Summer WaterAerobic Classes...** 3 punch card options.

10-class card - \$40

6-class card - \$24

4-class card - \$16

Punch card can be used for any class.

Schedule for summer is as follows:

**Rise and Shine:** Heights 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:** Heights Pool

8:45-9:30 a.m. M, W, F

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

**SPF 45:** Berkner High School

Natorium 10:15-11 a.m., M, F

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

Please call the information line at

972-744-7813 or the Richardson

Senior Center at 972-744-7800.

## Games

### Canasta

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

### Pinocle

Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.



### Duplicate Bridge

Wednesday and Friday, 9:30 a.m.

### Party Bridge

Friday, 10 a.m.

### Bunco

Friday, 12:30 p.m.

### Scrabble

Saturday, 1:30 p.m.

### Cribbage

Tuesday, 10 a.m.

### Mah Jongg

Wednesday and Thursday, 10:30

a.m.-4:30 p.m.

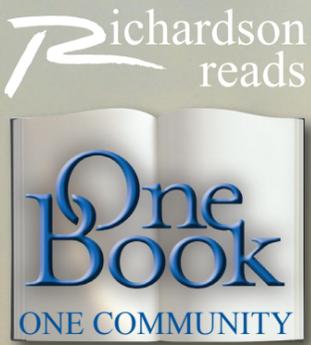
Many other games such as Chess, Skip-bo, Rummy-Cubes, Dominos and "42" are played by our patrons.

## Dance Classes at the Senior Center

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

# Lectures, events continue "One Book" discussion

## Tickets to Markus Zusak lecture available Aug. 19



Markus Zusak

Celebrate the 10th anniversary of Richardson's community reading program by reading and discussing *The Book Thief* and attending the lecture by author Markus Zusak.

Free tickets for the Richardson Reads One Book lecture with Zusak will be available at the first floor information desk of the Library beginning Monday, Aug. 19.

This year's lecture will be at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, at First United

Methodist Church Richardson. The Church is located at 503 N. Central Expressway.

Check out the RROB website at <http://onebook.cor.net> for a complete schedule of One Book activities and helpful information for holding your own book discussion. For more information, call the Library at 972-744-4350.

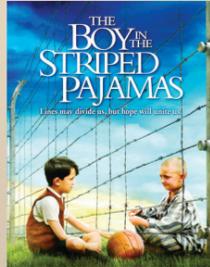
Richardson Reads One Book is one of the oldest and most recognized "One

Book" programs in Texas. Selections, which are chosen by a Board of librarians and community leaders, appeal to a broad spectrum of ages and contain discussible, thought-provoking issues relevant to the community.

The program promotes and supports reading by building discussion about a single book. The highlight of the program each year is the author lecture, which is free and open to the public.

## Alone in the Dark

Presented by



Performance from "The Boy In The Striped Pajamas" by the Library Teen Advisory Board.

Tuesday, Aug. 13  
6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Basement Program Room

Presentation by the Dallas Holocaust Museum Center for Education and Tolerance, followed by Q&A. Interactive displays from Holocaust literature created by the Library's Teen Advisory Board.

## Lunchtime Lectures

You are welcome to bring your lunch Registration not required • For more information, call 972-744-4376

### Holocaust Survivor

## Max Glaben

tells his story



Tuesday, Aug. 20  
11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m.  
Basement Program Room

Max Glaben comes to the Library on behalf of the Dallas Holocaust Museum Center for Education and Tolerance. He is a survivor of the Warsaw Ghetto and forced labor camps. He came to the U.S. in 1946 as an orphan.

## Winston Churchill

Presented by Richard Cudlipp from Collin College's SAIL Program (Seniors Active in Learning)



11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m.  
Basement Program Room

- Aug. 6 The '30s and the Road to War
- Aug. 13 World War II

## Friends of the Library awards scholarship

The Friends of the Richardson Library in July presented a \$2,000 scholarship to Hermain Memon, who graduated from Richland Collegiate High School. She will attend the University of North Texas at Dallas, seeking a bachelor's degree in accounting.

The Dorothy E. "Dot" McCalpin Memorial Scholarship was created in honor of McCalpin, who passed away in 2011. It is awarded to a college-bound teenager who has served as a volunteer at the Library.

McCalpin was well known in the Richardson community as a professional photographer and a longtime volunteer who led numerous civic organizations including the Friends of the Richardson



The City Council congratulated Hermain Memon during the presentation of the 2013 Dorothy E. "Dot" McCalpin Memorial Scholarship by the Friends of the Richardson Library.

Library. She was named Citizen birthday, Dec. 20, 2004, was proclaimed by the Mayor as "Dot McCalpin Day" in Richardson.

## Where in the world is your Richardson Library card?

Whether your summer travel plans include a stay at a West Texas ranch, an African safari, or a trip to the hammock in your backyard, we'd like you to share your adventures. We invite our patrons and friends to take a picture of the front of your Library card at your favorite travel site and post it to the Library's Facebook page through Aug. 31. There will be prizes for photos in several categories! Like us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/RichardsonLibrary](http://www.facebook.com/RichardsonLibrary) to see where the cards have gone!



## BACK-TO-SCHOOL



TO YOU!

The Dallas Zoo brings Animal Adventures to YOU—at the Library!

Sunday, Aug. 11  
2:30-3:15 p.m.  
or  
3:30-4:15 p.m.  
Basement Program Room

\*A FREE ticket is required to attend ONE of the two presentations. Tickets are limited: available in the Youth Services Department on Sunday, Aug. 11, beginning at 2 p.m. ... first come, first served. For more information, call 972-744-4358.

Funding provided by Friends of the Richardson Library, with support from the City of Richardson Arts Commission.

## CITIZENSHIP CLASSES

At the Richardson Public Library

# FREE!

Sundays, Sept. 8-Nov. 17  
2:15-5:15 p.m.

FOR THESE CLASSES YOU MUST:

1. Be a legal resident
2. Have lived in the U.S. continuously for at least five years (three if married to a U.S. citizen)
3. Have no criminal record
4. Pass the Basic English (Level 1) test (by appointment only)
5. Library card required
6. 12-week commitment required

Advance registration by Aug. 23 is required. To register, call Yolanda at 972-744-4368.

**MOVIE MATINEE** and **DIARY OF A WIMPY KID: DOG DAYS** Rated PG

Thursday, Aug. 1\*, 2-3:45 p.m.

\*A FREE ticket is required to attend. Limited tickets will be distributed in the Youth Services Department beginning at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 1...first come, first-served. All ages.

Basement Program Room. For more information call 972-744-4358.

## It's Elementary!

STORYTIME FOR KIDS IN GRADES K-4

Tuesdays, 4:15-4:45 p.m.  
Children's Program Room  
(Parents, please meet your children at the Program Room door at 4:45 p.m.)

No registration required. Do drop in!

## Family Storytime

Mondays, 6:45-7:15 p.m.  
Children's Program Room  
Geared for children ages 3-7 and their families, featuring stories, rhymes, fingerplays, movement activities and puppets.

No registration required. Do drop in!  
Information: 972-744-4358