



Saturday, April 20 Events at Fossil Creek Park Postponed Due to Inclement Weather—Due to the forecast of 80-100% chance of rain for tomorrow, the Fossil Creek Mountain Bike Trails Open Ride and Park Clean Up will be postponed. *BOTH* events for Saturday, April 20 will be rescheduled for a later date. The trails will need to dry out and be checked for any debris. We are working to identify some options in May or early June with our partner Fort Worth Mountain Bike Association to reschedule the events. We are letting citizens know by posting on all socials, the website, website calendar and through the notification system on CivicPlus.



Sounds of Spring Kicks Off April 19—The 2024 Sounds of Spring concerts will resume in April and May for another season of outstanding music by five of the area’s best live music bands. The free Friday night

concerts begin on April 19, with the Wanda King Big Blues Band Revue. Ms. King is the daughter of Texas blues legend Freddie King and she has assembled a terrific group for the show. On April 26, the Squeezebox Bandits make their NRH debut, playing a lively mix of Tejano and Country with a contemporary flair. On May 3, audiences will be treated to the smooth and relaxing R&B and jazz sounds of Igimèji, and on May 10, September Moon, a high energy vocal band that creatively blends Country, Rock and Americana will take the stage. Returning favorites BackRoads will close the season on May 17 with a setlist featuring some of rock and pop’s most enduring tunes. All concerts take place at NRH City Hall Plaza, 4301 City Point Drive. Gates open at 6 p.m., and the music plays from 7 – 8:30 p.m. Food trucks will be on-site and make-it, take it goodie craft bags will be available for kids aged 4 to 10. Sponsors for this season of Sounds of Spring include: Medical City Hospital, Sam’s Club and Centurion American Development. More info can be found at www.nrhtx.com/sounds.



NRH2O Family Water Park—NRH2O is excited to celebrate the 30th season starting May 4. There are so many reasons to visit NRH2O Family Water Park this summer, and we try not to brag about it. But where can you get free parking, free coolers, discounts for online tickets, AND endless summer fun on over 24 attractions? There is still time to be a part of the best team around- apply online today at www.nrh2o.com/jobs



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NRH Centre—the NRH Centre turned 12 on April 12, 2024! To celebrate, the NRH Centre will be running Anniversary Specials offering 10% Off all Paid-in-Full Memberships, 6-month packages for Individuals or Families with or without Group Fitness classes included, and a 2-week trial pass for all new members.

NRH Aquatics—The March swim session wrapped up with 98 participants. This session was 86% full and registration is underway for the next session that runs Tuesday, April 23 to May 9. This round of Monday Private Lessons will finish on Monday, April 29, and Saturday Swim Lessons will finish on Saturday, May 4. By staggering the sessions a bit, it allows for the program to be as consistent as possible.



NRH Aquatics hosted the Annual April Pools Day Water Safety Event on Friday, April 12 from 5-8 p.m. with 55 families registered. Each family received a Goody Bag with Water Safety and Summer swag.



Families visited the Water Safety Stations that were set up covering the NRHWS365 ABC's of Water Safety and then stayed to swim for the evening. There were giveaways and a water safety wheel to win a prize. The event was free to the public.

The 11th Annual Underwater Egg Hunt was held on Friday, March 29 with over 80 registrants. All participating children received a Treat Bag and there were Special Prize Eggs in the water.

NRH Youth—The second session for Spring Dance kicked off the week after Spring Break. Over 100 dancers are in class and busy preparing for the Spring Recital on Saturday, May 11. Gymnastics started their 3rd Spring session and over 150 kids are enrolled. Youth camps are now enrolling for summer 2024 camp offerings include science/technology, builder, fitness, art, dance, and gymnastics camps. View a full listing [here](#).



Early Childhood classes have been busy this past month. They have been studying dinosaurs! A special dinosaur expedition was launched to find dinosaurs at the NRH Centre. Kids had fun identifying and hunting the dinosaurs through ID sheets and track identification. Classes visited the zoo on April 17. All the classes were wild about the animals and seeing the new Wild Cats exhibit that opened this past year.

NRH Centre Athletics—The athletic division returns with adult leagues for the spring seasons. Volleyball is in the middle of their spring season with three different divisions, and the leagues are almost full. The third season of Pickles n’ Paddles league resumed Wednesday, February 28 and once again sold out within a few days. The current league ends Wednesday, April 24. There is a summer Pickles n’ Paddles league that will start on Wednesday, May 22. Registration will open soon for that pickleball league. Spring Adult Softball leagues are up and running at Northfield Park on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays. Men’s E Doubleheader leagues are all sold out for the spring season. There is now a Women’s Doubleheader league that began on Wednesday, April 3.



Grand Hall— Grand Hall is having a busy April with 28 events taking place over the month. With graduation season right around the corner, the Grand Hall hosted various groups from L.D Bell, Birdville, Colleyville, and Lake Worth banquets and dances, and looks to host at least 8 graduation parties reserving space via the booking special offered and valid through June 29.



Play Today NRH was held on April 6, Next Date is May 4—The second Play today NRH was held on Saturday, April 6 at Linda Spurlock Park. Many families were in attendance and enjoyed being outside and playing at Linda Spurlock Park. Thank you to BlackRifle Coffee and Carousel’s Soft Serve for being part of the fun. The next Play Today NRH will be the first Saturday in May, on May 4 at Adventure World Playground at 10 a.m.



Richland Tennis Center—RTC is in the final stages of the DFW High School end of season tournaments. Central High School district tournament will be held on April 25-26. RTC will be hosting UIL Regionals tournaments for Region 2A on May 8-9 and Region 1A on May 10-11. RTC is currently registering for the popular Tennis and Golf Camp returning this summer July 22-26. The first two days will consist of golf at Iron Horse Golf Course with the remaining three days of tennis at the Richland Tennis Center.



The USTA Ladies playoffs will be held on May 4. All summer classes and camps have been opened and are available for enrollment.

Park Maintenance and Operations—Park Operations staff have been working diligently to ensure parks are safe, clean, and have great appeal. Athletic fields are looking better than ever and are being used heavily by multiple groups. Fertilizer and fire ant control have been applied on athletic fields to ensure both safe and quality playing conditions. A small number of trees were planted at Green Valley and Walkers Creek Parks, with more to come at Tommy and Sue Brown Park as part of the Annual Tree Planting Program. In-house and contract mowers have been able to keep up with the increased mowing demand from consistent rains. These recent rains have also increased the demand for additional maintenance along trails, which in many cases are built through floodplain areas. Landscape crews are wrapping up spring plant replacements at various locations across the city. Playground fall attenuation mulch has been added at various playgrounds to ensure industry standards are met for safety. Staff is doing a fantastic job of making improvements while also performing the day-to-day maintenance duties.

2024 Spring Photography Exhibition—22 talented photographers from around our community are sharing their view of our world in the 2024 Spring Photography Exhibition. The collection is comprised of breathtaking landscapes and nature studies, exquisite florals, and colorful portraits of unusual subjects. Complex and beautiful patterns found in the way light and color respond to man-made objects such as bridges, a birdhouse and mechanical systems are also featured. We are delighted to share these thoughtful and arresting images that express the unique vision that each photographer communicates through their individual work. The photographs will be on view from March 15 – June 14 at the Grand Hall at NRH Centre Lobby, and an artist's reception will be held at a date TBA. More information can be found here: <https://www.nrhpopupgallery.com/exhibition>

Round the Town Bike & Hike—In its 11th year, Round the Town Bike & Hike is a great opportunity to get outside, be active and enjoy time with friends and neighbors. Join in on this monthly community event and choose to bike or hike. The monthly 'Round the Town includes recreational bike rides are 9–12 miles and the routes move through trail and on-road areas, or you can choose the self-paced wellness hike that varies in distance 1-2 miles within the loop trails of the park and are led by city staff. Individuals, groups, and families are welcome. Bring your water bottle. If participating in the bike ride, please wear a safety helmet during the ride. Thank you to the Round the Town bike ride partners Sunrise Bicycle Shop and Medical City North Hills. The 2024 schedule is listed below. Please note there will be *no 'Round the Town Bike or Hike in July*. More information including routes can be found at <https://www.nrhtx.com/766/Round-the-Town-Bike-Hike>



- May 7 6:30pm Cross Timbers Park
- June 4 6:30pm Richfield Park
- Aug 6 6:30pm Green Valley Park
- Sept 3 6:00pm NRH Centre
- Oct 8 6:00pm Northfield Park

NRH Senior Center—The March Monthly Luncheon featured entertainment by Taps N’ Tunes and wonderful pot roast with all the fixing provided by Back in Motion Family Chiropractic. The Spring Plant Swap Soiree was held on April 21. Guest speaker, Trisha Drago she spoke on growing herbs. On March 19, a small group of members visited the Champions of North Richland Hills Animal Adoption and Rescue Center (NRH AARC) to learn about volunteering to walk and play with the animals. Trips for March/April included Lunch Bunch at Hula Hut in Little Elm and Theater Arlington for a presentation of *Alice in Wonderland*. NRH Senior Center Give Back delivered items and money to NRH AARC to conclude the first quarter “Giving” campaign. On Friday, April 12, we held the first Splish Splash Pool Party to benefit the NRH Fire Department Water Bottle drive, over \$400 in product and money was collected.



If you have any questions, or for more information, please contact 817-427-6620.