



2024 Sounds of Spring Concerts Wrap Up on Friday, May 17—Join us for the final concert in the Sounds of Spring series featuring Backroads playing some of rock and pop's most enduring tunes this Friday, May 17 at the NRH City Hall Plaza, 4301 City Point Drive. Seating on the lawn begins at 6 p.m. and the free concert begins at 7 p.m. Make sure to bring a lawn chair or blanket. Parking is free and on a first-come, first-served basis. A variety of food trucks will be on-site, so be sure to come hungry! Thank you to our Sounds of Spring sponsors: Medical City North Hills, Centurion American, Sam's Club, Wing, Smile NRH and Mattamy Homes USA. For more information visit www.nrhtx.com/sounds.



NRH2O Family Water Park—NRH2O is excited to celebrate the 30th season this summer. 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? NRH2O is open on May 19 and 20 at 11 a.m., then open daily beginning May 25.

City Staff visited Green Valley Elementary to promote Water Safety—Last week, NRH City Staff visited Green Valley Elementary to teach the ABC's of Water Safety to Pre-K-5th graders. May is Water Safety Month, but we all know that Water Safety should be a priority 365 days a year. The Green Valley Gators were a great group!



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. Summer is a great time to learn more about the NRH Centre.

NRH Aquatics—Spring Swim Lessons are currently wrapping up and registration is underway for the June session. There are 260 participants registered and classes are 81% full. Swim Lesson fees have been increased and are on target to exceed revenue for the fiscal year. Summer hiring and training for Aquatics is underway. The department is running short but are hopeful to have a full staff by the time Summer kicks off in June.

NRHWS365 Water Safety will have a booth at the Honor Connor Run on Saturday, May 18. They will be recognizing the city for the drowning prevention initiative and will have the city blow the horn for the start of the run.

The Big Waterslide was re-caulked the week of May 13 in preparation for summer. This project was done internally by Aquatic staff. The Annual Inspection passed with the caulk job planned afterwards due to conflicts in programming to shut down the slide.

Parties continue to book up with Private Parties being sold out through August 10, 2024! Combo Parties are also booked through the end of July. Research is being done to look at an increase in Private Party rates for the new fiscal year. Party Rentals are ahead YTD by \$4,037.

NRH Youth—Youth Summer Camp registration is currently underway with 317 total registrants thus far. That enrollment number will increase as we move further into summer. Camp NRH, our all day camp, has 887 registered with only a couple weeks with remaining spots. Camp will take place beginning on Tuesday, May 28 for 10 consecutive weeks concluding on August 2.

Youth programs had an exciting end to Spring 2024 with the NRH Youth Dance Recital at the Grand Hall! 130 dancers performed on the stage across two performances. We are proud of all our dancers and our instructor Mrs. Stacey for an amazing show.



The PreK program had 21 graduates! Graduation was held at the Grand Hall. During the program the Children performed “We’re Moving up to Kindergarten”. Each graduate received their diploma and let everyone know what they wanted to be when they grow up! We are proud of all our graduates and we know they will do great things in Kindergarten!

NRH Centre Athletics—The athletic division is up and running with adult leagues for the spring seasons with the summer season coming soon. Volleyball is about to wrap up their spring season. Playoffs will be held in the last week of May. Volleyball has three different divisions, and the leagues are mostly full. Volleyball summer leagues will start on Tuesday June 11 and Thursday, June 13. The new season for Pickles n’ Paddles league will begin on Wednesday, May 22. Pickles n’ Paddles Orientation will be on Monday, May 20. Spring Adult Softball leagues are up and going at Northfield Park on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Men’s E Doubleheader leagues are all sold out for the spring season. Tuesday Men’s E Doubleheader is wrapping up their spring I season and will bring their spring II on Tuesday, May 28. Wednesday Women’s Doubleheader will start their new season on Wednesday, May 22.



Richland Tennis Center—Multiple high school district tournaments and UIL Regionals for 1A and 2A were held at RTC during April and May. The monthly UTR will be held on May 18-19. The KATCH tournament held May 14-15 is a semi-annual fun ladies event with match play, costume contest, food and prizes. The USTA ladies playoffs tournament was held on May 4. USTA Combo tournament will be held on May 24-26. June 1 will begin the summer season for NETT and USTA adult leagues. RTC summer camps and junior development camps will begin on June 3 and run weekly throughout the summer concluding August 9. Registration is open now for all summer programs.

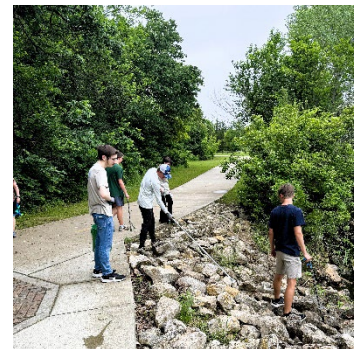


Park Maintenance and Operations—Park staff have been working extremely hard this spring. Consistent rains have increased the need for trail maintenance that consists of cleaning debris, sediment, and localized ponding from the trails. Athletic seasons are wrapping up for both youth soccer and youth baseball, and staff will be moving into some summer renovations with turf enhancements and fence replacements.

Landscape staff have also completed improvements in various locations and worked hard to prepare the landscaping at NRH20 for the opening of the 2024 season. Despite all of the rain and saturated soil, both staff and contractors have maintained mowing schedules resulting in limited tall grass issues.

April had a total of 66 pavilion rentals and with May having 68 rentals with more to be added.

Park Operations staff also worked with several volunteer groups that involved tree planting as well as trash cleanup. The photos below are of a local scout group that performed the tree planting and the Birdville High School National Honor Society that performed a trash cleanup along the John Barfield Trail in the Little Bear Creek corridor.



NRH Senior Center—The April Monthly Luncheon was a Groovy Time featuring The Back Beats Band playing 70's Disco. Members danced the afternoon away. Local bakery and caterer, Sweet Memories Cakes and Catering, prepared a delicious. The April Gold Level Community Partner was McGee Law Firm. Back in Motion Family Chiropractic hosted an educational seminar on “Move and Feel Better with Stem Wave” on Friday, April 19. Financial Exploitation Prevention Center of Tarrant County hosted a Lunch and Learn program on Friday, May 10 with a educational session on “Avoiding & Reporting Senior Scams”. This session was well attended with 46 senior members.



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 21** **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

Next Play Today NRH on June 1 at Green Valley Park—The May Play today NRH was held on Saturday, May 4 at Adventure World Playground. Many families were in attendance and enjoyed being outside and active. Thank you to Black Rifle Coffee for being part of the fun. The next Play Today NRH will be the first Saturday in June, on **June 1st at Green Valley Park at 10 a.m.** Come Play at a park with us!



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 on June 4 in the Grand Hall at 6 p.m. More information can be found here: <https://www.nrhpopupgallery.com/exhibition>

Photographers RECEPTION
 NRH SPRING PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION
 FRIENDS & FAMILY INVITED
Tuesday JUNE 4
6-7 PM
Grand Hall at NRH Centre
6000 Hawk Avenue

James Austin	Brandon Garner	Drew Nelson	Stephanie Whitlock
Trisha Baker	Larry Jostes	Sara Ocnaschek	Tiffany Williams
Braxton Chu	Cathy Jostes	Kenichi Ono	Teddi R. Zonker
Janet Cunningham	Mary Kusmierski	F. Robert Openshaw	
Robin Doyle	Kristyn Mairs	Beth Wasson	
Jordan Flowers	Bernice Mohanadhas	Shane Whitehead	

Fossil Creek Mountain Bike Trail Open Ride and Park Clean Up Rescheduled for June 8—Due to inclement weather on the original date, the Fossil Creek Mountain Bike Trail Open Ride and Park Clean Up will be held on Saturday, June 8 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Join your neighbors in a cleanup event at Fossil Creek Park & Trail, 6101 Onyx Drive South. Meet parks staff at Fossil Creek Park in the parking lot to help keep the park looking great for spring and summer. The cleanup will be from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and no experience necessary. Please bring gloves. Buckets, trash picks and trash bags will be provided. Please wear closed toe shoes and long pants as we move through wooded areas. All are welcome. Any age and level of experience. After the cleanup, stay for a FUN time at the Fossil Creek Mountain Bike Trails Open ride in conjunction with the Fort Worth Mountain Bike Association. The Open Trail Bike Ride is immediately following the park clean-up from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Grab your bicycle and helmet and join us and partner Fort Worth Mountain Bike Association for trail rides, raffles, food and fun! More info at <https://bit.ly/FossilCreekMountainBike>.



Texas Jazz Allstars Concert on July 11—Come enjoy a free, live concert featuring the best young musicians in North Texas on Thursday, July 11 at 7 p.m. Since 2010, the Texas Jazz Allstars (TeJAS) have entertained the community while providing the area’s top student musicians a place to hone their chops with other “all stars.” These kids don’t sound like kids. They are All Region and All State musicians who play at a professional level. They have shared the stage with guest artists from the professional touring circuit; musicians from Count Basie, Stan Kenton, Lincoln Center, the US Naval School of Music, and even Blood, Sweat & Tears. Join us in the cool comfort of the Grand Hall at NRH Centre, 6000 Hawk Ave., for an evening of your favorite music from the 1940’s -today. This event is free, but reservations are required. Reserve tickets here: <https://bit.ly/TexasJazzAllstars>.



Fall Gardening Seminar—Save the Date for the annual Fall Gardening Seminar hosted by Common Ground NRH Community Garden on August 31st from 9 a.m. to noon in the Grand Hall, 6000 Hawk Ave. There will be informative presentations, door prizes, and light refreshments. This is a free event, open to everyone, and no registration is required. Bring yourself (and your plant-loving friends) to the Grand Hall at NRH Centre on August 31 and enjoy!

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