



## PARK AND RECREATION BOARD MEMORANDUM

**FROM:** The Office of the City Manager    **DATE:** June 3, 2019  
**SUBJECT:** NRH Centre, Grand Hall, Athletics, Senior Center, Richland Tennis Center Programs and Services Update.  
**PRESENTER:** Adrien Pekurney, Assistant Director

### **GENERAL DESCRIPTION:**

Ms. Adrien Pekurney, Assistant Director, will present an update on activities at the NRH Centre, Grand Hall, Athletics, Senior Center and the Tennis Center.

### **NRH CENTRE**

- A. NRH Centre Youth Programs — All summer youth camps are currently open for enrollment including youth dance camps, gymnastics camps, science camp, creative minds and builder camps and more! A full list of camps may be viewed online at [www.nrhcentre.com](http://www.nrhcentre.com).
- B. The NRH Centre Youth Dance Recital will be held at the Grand Hall on Friday, May 31. Due to the growing popularity of dance programming at the NRH Centre, the recital has been broken up into two time slots with Recital 1 (Ages 3-4) from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Recital 2 (Ages 5 and up) from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. We look forward to seeing the dancers perform that evening.
- C. Registration is currently open for the NRH Centre Summer Youth Golf Camp at Iron Horse Golf Course. Golf Camp will be held Monday, June 3 through Friday, June 7 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for Ages 6-15. Parents can register their child through the NRH Centre website at [www.nrhcentre.com](http://www.nrhcentre.com).
- D. NRH Centre Aquatics — Summer Swim Lesson registration for the American Red Cross Learn to Swim program is open now! The first session begins the week of June 5 and continues throughout the summer. Classes are available for all ages and skill levels.

### **GRAND HALL AT THE NRH CENTRE**

- A. Through the first seven months of the fiscal year, the Grand Hall hosted 172 events in all categories serving over 32,300 guests. Total adopted budget revenue in FY19 is \$290,000. Total revenue received for the Grand Hall during this period is



\$293,585, which is 101.2% of the total year budget. Estimated revenue from future events already booked for FY19 is 407,322 or 140.5% of budget pre-booked.

- B. The Grand Hall is expecting a record setting May with 35 events on the books including eight community partner events including a number of BISD events.

### **ATHLETICS**

- A. 'Round the Town Bike Rides will continue through October 2019. Rides are off to a strong start, setting a record number for the first ride of the year at 103 riders. Currently, rides are averaging 86.5 riders heading into the summer. Upcoming rides will take place on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. on June 4 (Cross Timbers Park), July 2 (Richfield Park), and August 6 (NRH Centre).
- B. 'Round the Town Monthly Walks will also continue through October. The first neighborhood walk had over 30 in attendance the most ever since adding the monthly walks in 2018. Walks take place on Thursdays at 6:15 p.m. Summer dates are: June 6 (City Hall), July 11 (Linda Spurlock Park), and August 8 (Richfield Park).
- C. Athletics is offering the first-ever NRH Average Joe's Basketball League starting on June 10. This league is geared towards less competitive players, and has more than doubled available team capacity in the NRH Basketball League by utilizing both smaller courts vs. only one regulation size court.
- D. Summer Softball Leagues will start up in late May/early June. Leagues will be played on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday nights at Northfield Park.

### **NRH SENIOR CENTER**

- A. The NRH Senior Center will partner with Walgreens to celebrate National Chocolate Ice Cream Day on Friday, June 7.
- B. The center will offer "*Flip-Flop Bunco Bash*" on Friday, June 21. Participants will show off their most creative flip-flops while playing Bunco. Awards will be given to the most original pair of flip-flops entered.
- C. A new program "*Joke and Floats*" will be offered Friday, June 28. Participants will draw a joke from a bag, and perform for the group and enjoy old-fashioned ice cream floats during the entertainment.
- D. The Senior Center will be hosting a talent show on Wednesday, July 17 in conjunction with the monthly luncheon.
- E. The Senior Center will be closed in observance of the July 4<sup>th</sup> Holiday on Thursday, July 4. Regular hours resume on Friday, July 5.

### **RICHLAND TENNIS CENTER**

- A. RTC will be hosting the USTA Men's Playoffs May 31-June 2. Approximately 100 players will participate. RTC will host a Mid-Cities Junior Circuit tournament June 14 and a UTR tournament June 15-16. These tournaments will have approximately 80-100 players each. RTC will be the host site for the Junior Team Tennis National Qualifier tournament June 21-23.
- B. July 13-14 RTC will host another UTR tournament. July 19-20 RTC will be a site for the Fort Worth Adult Major Zone tournament where approximately 350 players will be participating. July 25-29, RTC will be a site for the National 16 & Under Zonals tournament.
- C. The new session of summer programs will begin the week of June 3. This summer RTC will be offering "Tennis in the Parks" where RTC staff will be conducting group lessons for beginners at Northfield Park. Another new offering will be a tennis & golf camp where beginner players will attend golf camp at Iron Horse Golf Course on Monday & Tuesday of the week then go to RTC Wednesday-Friday. On Friday, all the campers will be taken to NRH<sub>2</sub>O to enjoy the water park.

### **CULTURAL ARTS AND SPECIAL EVENTS**

- A. NRH Cultural Arts will host the second online "Virtual Art Gallery" this summer. Ten artists will be selected to show five of their works on the NRH Pop-Up Gallery website. There is no fee to submit artwork. Artists aged 14 and up are eligible to submit jpegs or video links of their work. The call for art began May 15 through June 23. The final selections will be displayed online June 27-August 10. All mediums accepted, including 2D, 3D, video, music and dance. Files must be labeled when artists' submit work by email so work can be attributed to the artist accordingly. Please visit [www.nrhpopupgallery.com](http://www.nrhpopupgallery.com) for more information. Our live NRH Pop-Up Gallery will return to Kindred Coffee for the month of November 2019. A call for art will go out in August 2019.
- B. The NRH Poet's Corner continues its bi-monthly schedule at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 22, at Roots Coffeehouse, 9101 Boulevard 26, Suite 101. The NRH Poet's Corner is an Arts Initiative of the North Richland Hills Parks and Recreation Department and is intended to encourage and promote the art of prose, poetry and self-expression. Writers of all ages and abilities are invited to participate by reading their original poetry and prose to an audience of like-minded lovers of the written and spoken word.
- C. Come celebrate our country's most patriotic holiday on Thursday, July 4 at the annual **Northeast Tarrant Family 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration and Fireworks Show**. Activities start at



5:00 p.m. with kid's activities, a salute to Veterans, stage performances featuring local talent and a live concert from 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. with vocalist Holly Tucker of NBC's "the Voice" fame. Food, fun and entertainment for the whole family will start at 5:00 p.m. at the Hills Shopping Center at 6351 Boulevard 26 in North Richland Hills. Later in the evening, enjoy the best area fireworks show with plenty of dazzling and stunning pyrotechnics starting at approximately 9:30 p.m. Fireworks can be viewed from the parking lots of the Wiley G. Thomas Coliseum at 6108 Broadway Avenue in Haltom City and the Hills Shopping Center, 6351 Boulevard 26 in North Richland Hills. (Both are located south of Loop 820 near the intersection of Boulevard 26 and Broadway Avenue). Free parking will be available on a first come, first serve basis, so plan to come early. Vehicles will not be allowed to park along the street. Feel free to bring chairs, blankets and games for the family to play while waiting for the fireworks. However, no outdoor cooking, grilling devices, alcohol or personal fireworks will be permitted. In the event of inclement weather, some festivities and the fireworks show will be rescheduled to Friday, July 5. This free patriotic event coordinated by the Northeast Tarrant County Chamber is made possible thanks to the support of the cities of Haltom City, North Richland Hills, Richland Hills and Watauga as well as the event title sponsors.

- D. July is National Park and Recreation Month and we will once again celebrate all the benefits of Parks and Recreation in our community. The national theme is "Game On!". Staff is developing social media promotions and featured opportunities to play and get outside throughout the month of July and all year round. Follow NRH Parks and Recreation on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter for all of the fun.