



Parks and Recreation Employees recognized during the City of NRH RSPIRIT Service Recognition and Awards Breakfast—On Thursday, February 20, the City of North Richland Hills recognized years of service and RSPIRIT award winners throughout all departments within the city. Service recognition of employees with 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 years of service were recognized. The Parks and Recreation Department employees recognized were:

James Fowler Scott Pearce Vickie Loftice Adrien Pekurney 5 Years of Service 15 Years of Service 20 Years of Service 20 Years of Service

In addition to years of service recognition, the city's RSPIRIT Core Values Program Award winners were recognized and honored for their exemplary contribution over the last year in the areas of Responsibility, Service, Productivity, Integrity, Responsibility, Innovation, and Teamwork. The annual R-SPIRIT Employee of the Year Award finalists and winner were announced during the awards breakfast with our very own Cultural Arts/Events Coordinator, Sarah Green recognized as a finalist for the R-SPIRIT Employee of the Year Award.





NRH Mayor's 5K – Run, Walk or Skip – Start your St. Patrick's Day weekend with Mayor Oscar Trevino and find lucky four-leaf clovers on the path to better health. Wear your blarniest green and join the 2020 Mayor's 5K Run & Walk on Saturday, March 14 at 9:00 a.m. at NRH2O Family Waterpark, 9001 Boulevard 26. All fitness levels are welcome, and you can always say the leprechauns cheered you on!

The run/walk is \$20 for all participants and includes a t-shirt. The

2020 event will start and end at NRH2O. Participants can check in at 8:30 a.m. and the 5K starts at 9:00 a.m. Registration is open online at: <u>http://bit.ly/3aXgpyL</u>.



Family Movie Night—Come out to the NRH Centre Family Movie Night on Friday, March 6 from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at Dolce Plaza by the NRH Centre. We will be showing the movie "Shrek". The event is free. Bring your chairs, blankets and snacks. If inclement weather is present, the movie will be shown inside in the gymnasium of the NRH Centre.

2020 Sounds of Spring Concert Series Coming in April—The 2020 Sounds of Spring concert series will again be located at the NRH City Hall Plaza, located at 4301 City Point Drive, after a great season last year. The beautiful municipal building provided a striking backdrop for the concerts, with a built-in stage at the front of the rotunda and the series was well attended.

Food available for purchase from a variety of gourmet food trucks and the ever-popular Kids Zone with free games and crafts on site at each concert. Picnic seating will be available to everyone on a first-come basis, so bring your lawn chairs and blankets. Admission is free and parking is free. Gates open at 6 p.m. and the shows starts at 7 p.m. We look forward to seeing you each Friday, beginning April 17 through May 22, 2019. More information <u>here.</u>

2020 Sounds of Spring Line Up:

- April 17 Tejas Brothers (Tex Mex Honkey Tonk)
- April 24 King George (George Strait Tribute)
- May 1 Double Vision (Foreigner Tribute)
- May 8 Even It Up (Heart Tribute)
- May 15 BackRoads (Classic American Rock)
- May 22 Bad Moon Rising (CCR Tribute



<u>Richland Tennis Center</u>—RTC hosted a UTR (Universal Tennis Rating) tournament February 15-16. We had 104 singles players and 24 doubles teams. New sessions of group lessons will begin March 2, 2020. RTC hosted 13 tournaments in the month of February. RTC will host 9 tournaments in March. The UTR tournaments have been a great addition to our programming.

<u>Richland Tennis Center</u>—During the February 21, 2020 United States Professional Tennis Association (USPTA) State Conference held in Horseshoe Bay, our very own David Webb, RTC Tennis Center Manager, was awarded the "**2020 USPTA Texas Large Facility Manager of the Year".** David was chosen out of hundreds of large tennis facility operators across the state. David's dedication to the community, passion for the lifetime sport of tennis, and his heart to serve all he encounters both locally, regionally, and across the state are only a few hallmarks of this award honor. Congratulations David! Well done!



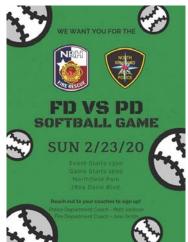


NRH Senior Center—The NRH Senior Center Monthly Luncheon celebrated National Heart Health month on February 19. All Senior Center Monthly luncheons feature a theme and guest speaker. The February guest speaker was NRH Centre Aquatics Supervisor, Sarah Hageman. Sarah provided an outstanding educational overview and presentation on CPR. The over 100 seniors in attendance received excellent knowledge of the importance of knowing "hand only" CPR, a new found confidence to learn more about the importance of CPR, and an overview and understanding of AED's. After the presentation, over 25 seniors signed up to take the CPR certification class taught by Sarah Hageman and the NRH Centre Aquatics team. Well done Sarah!





PLAY BALL!—Northfield Park will kick off the softball season with the NRHFD vs NRHPD Softball Game. The NRH Fire and Police Departments began their sports challenges with sand volleyball at Northfield Park this past summer. They enjoyed the competition and comradery so much that they put out the call for softball. Weather and field conditions pending, the game will take place on Sunday, February 23, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. on Field 1 at Northfield Park. NRH Adult Softball Leagues will begin games in mid-March.



Camp NRH Spring Break Camp — Camp NRH Spring Break Camp will be take

place on Monday March 9 and run through Friday March 13. Camp begins at 7:15 a.m. and lasts until 6:00 p.m. each day. Kiddos will spend their time playing games, swimming and go on a field trip!

<u>NRH Athletics</u>—Winter athletic leagues began in January. The NRH Centre is hosting 32 adult coed volleyball teams and 13 men's basketball teams during the course of the winter Average Joes Basketball League. Softball at Northfield Park will start back up on Monday March 16, 2020 with league offerings Monday – Friday and a new Sunday league.

<u>'Round the Town with Oscar Bike Rides & Walks for 2020</u>—'Round the Town with Oscar bicycle rides and walks provide a great opportunity for you to get outdoors, visit with Mayor Oscar Trevino and other city leaders,



meet new people and be active in North Richland Hills! Mayor's Bike Rides range from around 9 to nearly 13 miles in length. The route varies with each ride and includes portions of the city's trail system and our city streets. Be sure and bring your helmet along for safety. They are required on the monthly bike rides. These family friendly rides are open to all ages. For a complete 2020 schedule of the seven rides and three walks please visit <u>https://www.nrhtx.com/766/Round-the-Town-with-Oscar</u>. The first bike ride of the 2020 season is on **Tuesday, March 24** at 6pm starting and ending at NRH2O Family Water Park, 9001 Blvd 26.



NRH₂**O Family Water Park**—NRH2O Family Water Park is now hiring for ALL positions which include aquatics, food & beverage, elements of fun, admissions, maintenance, park safety, park services, cash office, and gift shop. NRH₂O is a great place for a summer job for all ages. We will provide all necessary training for each position. The bonus of working at NRH2O is we will work around other schedules have amazing team member parties! Applicants apply online at <u>www.nrh2o.com/jobs</u>.

Hope this if of interest and useful to you.

Vickie Loftice, Managing Director