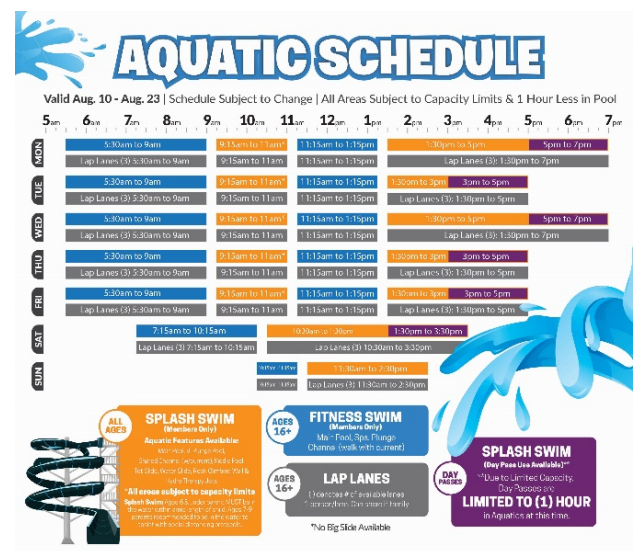


NRH

PARK BOARD UPDATE

AUGUST 14, 2020

NRH Centre—the NRH Centre continues to observe strict capacity limits throughout the building as well as social distancing and mandated mask protocols. Starting on Monday, August 10, day passes became available for non-members to utilize the fitness and aquatics areas. The use of day passes in the aquatics area is currently limited to the last two hours of the day Monday-Saturday with all remaining times reserved for current NRH Centre members. You can see the current swim schedule [here](#). Due to challenging physical distancing and mask requirements, the gymnasium will remain closed for open play basketball and pickle ball at this time. We just wrapped up a successful summer swim lesson season teaching the essential skill of swimming to over 100 students! Fall lessons will begin after Labor Day with registration opening August 28th. We're also excited to announce aquatic private parties will be back in play at the NRH Centre this fall!



Camp NRH—Camp had another great year despite many necessary restrictions due the COVID-19 pandemic. Staff did an exceptional job implementing new protocols to keep camp participants and camp staff safe. Protocols included a health check at the beginning of

each day, multiple hand sanitizing stations, and increased hand washing throughout the day. Smaller group sizes were organized to help facilitate social distancing and the utilization of new gathering areas to eliminate exposure to other members and staff at the NRH Centre. (Senior Center, Grand Hall, south plaza at NRH Centre and green spaces on the north side of the NRH Centre were all utilized as camp spaces during the 10-week summer 2020 program.) We look forward to carrying over some of these new protocols to future camp years due to the successes this summer. Camp NRH welcomed 576 total participants throughout Summer 2020, helping generate \$91,976 in total operating revenues.



Grand Hall at the NRH Centre—While many traditional and large size gatherings and events are not possible right now, that has not stopped the Grand Hall team from getting creative to provide facility promotions during this time. Amber Corley, Grand Hall Sales and Marketing Coordinator, developed a “Community Wedding” package for a beautiful and intimate ceremony on Saturday, September 19. This event will allow couples the opportunity to have a small wedding ceremony with all the traditional elements. Couples can invite up to eight of their family members or friends and allow the rest to join in virtually. Each event time is limited to one couple’s event. Available times include: 10:00 - 11:30 AM, 12:30 - 2:00 PM. 3:00 - 4:30 PM. 5:30 - 7:00 PM, and 8:00 - 9:30 PM. Cleaning and disinfecting will take place between each reserved time. See all the details at <https://www.grandhallnrh.com/community-wedding>. Great job Amber!



NRH Centre Adult Athletics—Summer Slow-Pitch Softball season is quickly wrapping up as the Fall season approaches. Registration continues to be extremely sought after, as a large number of league nights are already sold out for the upcoming Fall 2020 season. While specific safety protocols remain in place to ensure proper social distancing and effective sanitation, participants continue to enjoy Northfield Park on a nightly basis and have expressed their eagerness to return for next season. Other adult programs, such as Kickball, Coed Sand Volleyball and Bowling are on the horizon to begin very soon, with registration for those leagues opening by the beginning of September. All NRH Centre indoor athletic programs remain on pause due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.



Northfield Park

NRH Athletic Field Rental Reservations—Effective August 1, NRH staff are exclusively coordinating athletic fields at Northfield Park, Walker’s Creek Park, Fossil Creek Park, and the 60/90 high school sized field #3 at Cross Timbers Park. The available practice times for the 60/90 field are full for the Fall 2020 season. Walker’s Creek Park has seen team practice requests begin to come in for Fall 2020 as well. Northfield Park is highly active throughout 6 of the 7 days a week with NRH Adult Softball Leagues with some tournament play being coordinated for available Saturdays. Visit <https://www.nrhtx.com/1127/Athletic-Field-Rentals> to view all the reservation options and details for use of NRH Athletic fields. The reservations are accepted on a seasonal basis and staff looks to provide as many teams as possible access to their desired site.

NRH Senior Center— The NRH Senior Center continues connecting with our members through social media, emails and phone calls. *Tai Chi* and *Line Dance* instructors recorded classes for Facebook and the website, with *Yoga* soon to follow. Book Club embraced the Zoom platform and meets monthly to discuss novels. *Guided Meditation*’s first Zoom meeting welcomed nine members. Senior Center Programming continues through the NRH Ambassador weekly call program, Daily Challenges, Fitness, Virtual Trips, and DIYs. *Thankful Thursday* is an uplifting favorite. *Tuesday’s Question of the Day* is a chance for members to virtually see friends and interact with them. *Taking Care of You* was implemented to encourage Meditation, Gratitude, Brainstorming and Implementation. The August NRH Senior Center digital newsletter [“Chit-Chat”](#), emailed August 7, 2020, encouraged members to reach out and stay connected.





Richland Tennis Center—The United States Professional Tennis Association recently notified us that David Webb has been named a finalist for the *2020 USPTA Manager of the Year Large Facility Award*! Winners will be announced at the USPTA Awards Presentation on Wednesday, September 23 during the last session of the 2020 World Conference virtual

event. Founded in 1927, the USPTA is the global leader in tennis-teacher certification and professional development. The purpose of USPTA is to elevate the standards of tennis-teaching professionals and coaches. David continues to live out this USPTA mission with his commitment to all he serves at the Richland Tennis Center and the surrounding communities at large. Congratulations David on being a national USPTA Award finalist!

Continued Success of UTR Tournaments at RTC—The Richland Tennis Center hosted a UTR tournament on July 25-26. 172 singles players and 56 doubles teams participated in the July tournament weekend. RTC has applied to host an ITA UTR (Intercollegiate Tennis Association) tournament this fall which will bring in top players from throughout the state & region.

'Round the Town with Oscar Virtual Bike Ride Continues

August 1-15!—Mayor Trevino had so much fun seeing everyone participate in the 'Round the Town with Oscar Mayor's Virtual Bike Ride throughout June that we are rolling again from August 1-15! It is easy to participate, so good luck and enjoy our 'Round the Town Virtual Ride Week:



1. Select a suggested route from one of five listed Mayor's Bike Ride routes:
Richfield Park Bike Route: <https://bit.ly/3codkY7>
Green Valley Park Bike Route: <https://bit.ly/3djWX05>
Cross Timbers Park Bike Route: <https://bit.ly/36Re32V>
Northfield Park Bike Route: <https://bit.ly/3gKW1E0>
NRH City Hall Bike Route: <https://bit.ly/3crJLF1>
2. Each route will include two to three ☺Selfie Picture Points.
3. You can start your personal ride from your home, or begin at the specified site and incorporate the mapped routes to find the Selfie Picture Points along that route.
4. Say cheese at the three listed "Selfie Picture Points" for your selected ride. Selfie Points on Each Route: <https://bit.ly/2MlqkU4>
5. Submit all "Selfie Picture Point" photos from one of the routes listed here in the Facebook Event or email nrhpard@nrthx.com by August 15.
6. You will then be entered into the Virtual Ride drawing for some Parks and Recreation SWAG! Winners will be notified by August 18.
7. Bonus Picture Point! Be on the lookout for Mayor Oscar Trevino riding on the trails. Take a social distance selfie with the Mayor AND complete your three route selfie picture points and you are an automatic Virtual Ride Week winner!
8. Always remember: wear a helmet, bring water, observe all trail and road safety rules and share the trails safely with all. NRH Trail Rules and Etiquette: <https://bit.ly/2XRKURe>

Hope this if of interest and useful to you.

Vickie Loftice, Managing Director