

Keep Dogs on Leash in Parks, Neighborhoods

Nothing is better than an enjoyable walk with your furry best friend, but there are some things to remember. City ordinance requires that dogs be restrained at all times when outside of their home or enclosed yard. Simply put, when in your neighborhood, on a trail, in a park or any other public place, a dog must be restrained by a leash and in the immediate and physical control of its owner at ALL TIMES. Owners are also required to clean up after their dogs.

While most dogs are friendly and nice, some residents may be scared if they are approached by a dog they do not know. With your dogs on a leash, you will have better control over where they go and who they approach so that others will not be fearful

or possibly get hurt. If you would like to have your dog run off leash, we encourage you to visit Tipps Canine Hollow Dog Park, located at 7804 Davis Blvd., where off-leash is acceptable within the fenced in portions of the dog park. You can find more information about the dog park at www.nrhtx.com/dogpark.

Other important reminders are that dogs and cats are required to be currently vaccinated for rabies and have a city license tag displayed on their collar. Cats should always remain indoors. Keeping our parks, trails and neighborhoods safe, clean and fun depends on everyone abiding by the rules to help ensure a good time for all! Please contact NRH Animal Services at 817-427-6570 with any questions.

New Business Spotlight

Elite Sports

7041 Boulevard 26, 682-350-8180
www.elitesportspromos.com

Fire Fades Barbershop

8214 Boulevard 26, 817-500-8747
www.firefades817.com

Lune Nutrition

5142 Rufe Snow Dr., Ste. 112, 817-393-7735

Miracle Maids

5424 Rufe Snow Dr., Ste. 102, 817-656-4012
www.miraclemaids.com

MOD Pizza

5121 Rufe Snow Dr, Ste. 150, 682-257-0012
www.modpizza.com

Ridgeline Electric

6904 NE Loop 820, 682-760-5850
www.ridge-lineelectric.com

Sweetie Pie's Ribeyes

6720 NE Loop 820, 817-428-3773
www.sweetiepiesribeyes.com

Tetra AV

6608 Davis Blvd., Ste. 101, 817-382-4264
www.tetraav.com

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Mayor's Summer Reading Club

The Mayor's Summer Reading Club (MSRC) is back with all new events and exciting prizes. MSRC is a free, self-paced reading challenge for all ages that encourages reading throughout the summer. Did you know, reading just six books during the summer may keep a student from falling behind in the next school year?

How does it work? Starting June 1, read books, log the time you spend reading using our online tracker, and earn prizes along the way. This year we have some pretty great grand prizes that we're giving away to a few lucky readers, like an iPad or Razor Scooter. Join us at one of our new *Library in the Park* events to kick off your summer at 10:00 a.m. each Tuesday of June, or stop by for one of our free performances on Thursdays. See the schedule of events and learn more at library.nrhtx.com/src. Contact the Library at 817-427-6800 with any questions. MSRC is sponsored by the Friends of the NRH Library.

'Round the Town with Oscar Rides

Join Mayor Oscar Trevino, other city leaders and community members for *'Round the Town with Oscar* bicycle rides. The family friendly rides provide a great opportunity for you to get outdoors, meet new people and be active in North Richland Hills! The rides will be held once each month through October. Visit www.nrhtx.com/roundthetown for the schedule and more details.

Monthly Good Neighbor Tip: Swimming Pools

While owning a swimming pool or hot tub can be fun, it also comes with responsibility. Please be a good neighbor and properly maintain your pool. When a pool is neglected, it becomes a breeding ground for mosquitoes that can carry West Nile virus and other diseases. It can also create safety concerns that could lead to accidental drowning.

If your pool equipment sustained damage from the winter storm that has yet to be repaired, take steps to prevent algae from growing and mosquitoes from breeding. Treat the water so that the drains and bottom of the pool can be easily seen using chlorine shock that does not contain cyanuric acid / stabilizer. If you can't keep your chlorine levels over 1 ppm, apply mosquito dunks. Periodically brush the sides and bottom of the pool, or use a robotic cleaner to remove as much leaves and debris as you can. Make sure that your fence is secured and post a "No Trespassing" sign.

City ordinance requires you to maintain swimming pools, hot tubs and their related accessory structures in a safe, secured, clean and sanitary condition. For more information about city ordinances, please visit www.nrhtx.com/codecompliance or call 817-427-6663.

Swat Down Mosquitoes and Diseases they Carry

Take steps this summer to protect yourself from West Nile Virus and other diseases carried by mosquitoes. It only takes one bite from one infected mosquito to make you or a family member sick.

Removing standing water where mosquitoes lay their eggs is a key step in reducing the mosquito population. Dump stagnant water from flower pots, bird baths, trash containers, children's toys, clogged rain gutters and other places around your property. Place environmentally friendly Bti briquets in stagnant water that can't be drained. Thinning shrubs and cutting down tall grass and weeds where mosquitoes rest will also help reduce the number of mosquitoes in your yard. You should also use insect repellent whenever you spend time outdoors, day or night.

The city proactively treats creeks and drainage channels to reduce the mosquito population and works with Tarrant County Public Health to monitor for West Nile Virus and other mosquito-borne diseases. In areas where a mosquito-borne virus is detected, targeted ground level spraying is utilized to help reduce the mosquito population. For more information, visit www.nrhtx.com/mosquitocontrol or call Neighborhood Services at 817-427-6650.

Upcoming Events

Free Online Gardening Classes

Keep NRH Beautiful has partnered with Tarrant Regional Water District and Tarrant County Master Gardeners to bring you a free online class each month through the end of this year. Topics will include lawn care, composting, sprinkler repair, trees and more. Watch for information about each class and a link to join on Keep NRH Beautiful's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/KeepNRHBeautiful.

Amateur Radio Field Day

The NRH Office of Emergency Management invites you to the NRH Amateur Radio Club's annual Field Day exercise on **June 26 and 27**. Activities will be held at NRH Fire Station No. 5, located at 7202 Dick Fisher Dr., starting at noon on Saturday and continuing through noon on Sunday. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Amateur radio, which is sometimes called "ham radio," allows people to experiment with electronics and communications techniques, as well as provide a free public service to their communities during a disaster, all without the need for a cell phone or the internet. The Field Day demonstrates ham radio's ability to work reliably under any conditions from almost any location and create an independent communications network. Find more information at NRHARC.org or by calling 817-427-6935.

Know Your Watering Schedule

The City of North Richland Hills reminds all water customers that you may use sprinklers or irrigation systems no more than twice per week based on the following schedule:

Monday

No sprinkling or irrigation allowed.

Tuesday & Friday

Non-residential sites (businesses, apartments, parks, common areas)

Wednesday & Saturday

Residential addresses ending in 0, 2, 4, 6, 8

Thursday & Sunday

Residential addresses ending in 1, 3, 5, 7, 9

No watering from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. on any day.

Sign up to receive weekly watering advice at www.savetarrantwater.com.

www.nrhtx.com/conservation