

Backyard Checklist for Mosquito Control

It takes all of us working together to combat mosquitoes and the diseases they carry. Any amount of standing water can give mosquitoes a place to lay their eggs. Most mosquito species require 8 to 14 days to complete their development, so puddles and other areas of standing water become a cause for concern if they don't dry up and remain stagnant for more than a week.

Use this backyard checklist to eliminate any standing water on your property and remember to protect yourself by wearing mosquito repellent whenever you spend time outdoors.

- Unclog gutters
- Drain flowerpot dishes
- Dump plastic wading pools after each use
- Turn wheelbarrows, buckets, watering cans and other containers upside down
- Dispose of unused tires
- Replace water in bird baths and pet dishes daily

- Place mosquito eating fish (Gambusia) in ponds
- Apply Bti mosquito dunks, bits or briquettes to french drains or other areas with standing water
- Fill tree holes with sand
- Repair leaky outdoor faucets
- Keep vegetation trimmed

City staff treated 25 miles of creeks and drainage channels throughout North Richland Hills with larvicide to reduce mosquito breeding sites. Areas will be monitored and re-treated as needed throughout the summer. The city also works with Tarrant County Public Health throughout the summer to monitor for mosquito borne illnesses and implement mosquito control activities. Targeted spraying is conducted in areas where a mosquito borne illness is confirmed.

Visit www.nrhtx.com/mosquitocontrol to get more information and sign up for spraying alerts. Questions regarding mosquito control may be directed to NRH Neighborhood Services at 817-427-6650.

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 for weekly watering advice at www.savetarrantwater.com.

www.nrhtx.com/conservation

Free Concert Series Returns to NRH City Hall this Fall

After a long pause, live music returns to North Richland Hills with free Friday evening concerts from Sept. 10 through Oct. 1, 2021. Join us at City Hall Plaza, 4301 City Point Dr., as some great area music groups take the stage to entertain you. Gates will open at 6 p.m. and the music starts at 7 p.m. Visitors can enjoy all 4 concerts with family and friends. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets and prepare for fun, relaxation and your favorite tunes under the stars this fall.

Admission is free and parking is free. Free take and make arts and crafts packets will be available at each concert for the younger music fans in attendance. Food will be available for purchase from a variety of food trucks. You are welcome to bring your own picnic, but please no glass containers.

Good times and great music are back in North Richland Hills! Please visit www.nrhtx.com/sounds to view the fall concert series lineup and get more information. Questions can be directed to the Parks & Recreation Department at 817-427-6620.

Realize the Benefits of Automatic Bank Drafts

Still writing a paper check to pay your water bill? Perhaps you do not realize the benefits of automatic bank drafting. Automatic bank drafting benefits everyone involved - the city, the banks, but most of all you!

- **It's Easy.** Bank draft payments are automatic and are deducted from your account on the due date of the bill. You never have to worry about finding your checkbook, buying stamps or having payments lost in the mail. You will never miss a payment or incur late penalties.
- **It's Safe.** With identity theft on the rise, leaving a check in an envelope in your mailbox is not the safest option. With bank drafting, you gain privacy and security. The bank protects your information and so does the City.
- **It's Free.** There are no extra fees for bank draft service. You even save by using fewer checks and stamps.
- **It's Environmentally Friendly.** Bank drafting reduces the use of paper, which saves trees and other resources.

If you are interested in signing up for automatic bank drafting, all that is required is a completed authorization form and a voided check. Download the form by going to www.nrhtx.com/water and clicking on Forms. Please contact the Water Office at 817-427-6200 with any questions.

Good Neighbor Tip: Tree Limbs

Trees are an important part of what makes North Richland Hills a great place to live. They save energy by shading our homes, provide habitat for birds and other wildlife, clean our air and beautify our neighborhoods. However, they may also cause problems and safety concerns if they are not properly maintained.

The city requests that any tree adjacent to a public right of way be maintained at a minimum clearance of 14 feet above the street. This is to allow for fire trucks, ambulances, school buses, garbage trucks, postal service and other public service vehicles to pass through safely. In addition, overhanging trees must be 14 feet above the sidewalk to allow for safe passage of pedestrians. Keep in mind, if the path is blocked, people will often go around and into the street, making for an unsafe environment.

Please be a good neighbor and maintain your property. Visit www.nrhtx.com/codecompliance or call 817-427-6663 for more information.

Upcoming Events

Free Comic Book Day

Free Comic Book Day is an annual celebration promoting the joy of reading through comics. So, grab your best hero attire and head over to the NRH Library on **Saturday, August 14**, from 1 - 3 p.m. to celebrate all things comics. We'll have themed activities, photo ops with costumed characters, and of course - free comics while supplies last.

Perot Tech Truck

The Perot Tech Truck, a mobile makerspace from the Perot Museum, will be visiting the NRH Library on from 2 - 4 p.m. on **Saturday, August 28**. Stop by The Maker Spot on the 2nd floor of the Library to experience a variety of fun and engaging STEAM activities.

The NRH Library is located at 9015 Grand Ave. For more information on Library activities, call 817-427-6800 or visit www.library.nrhtx.com.

New Business Spotlight

Fyzical Therapy & Balance Centers

8412 Davis Blvd. #190, 817-479-7168
www.fyzical.com

Game Plan Homes

5750 Rufe Snow Dr. #147, 817-809-3525
www.baldbrothersbuyhomes.com

Golden Chick

7100 Rufe Snow Dr., 817-479-7580
www.goldenchick.com

Maki & Poke (Restaurant)

8850 North Tarrant Pkwy. #701, 817-576-4426

Pool Master over Texas

6513 Smithfield Road, Ste. A, 817-918-4475
www.poolmastertx.com

Spicy Zest (Restaurant)

8427 Boulevard 26, 817-479-3666
www.spicyzest.com

Total Men's Primary Care

8528 Davis Blvd. #150, 817-242-2630
www.totalmens.com

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