

2012

FUN Guide



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General Information

A welcome letter from the Director of Mesquite Parks & Recreation

Mesquite provides many opportunities for all ages to enjoy activities and have fun. This guide is an overview of events, activities and entertainment for you and your family.

In 2012, we have prepared a wide assortment of classes and activities for all ages. Whether you are looking to get fit, discover a new interest or meet new people, these classes provide you the opportunity to meet your goals. Our special events are scheduled throughout the year and are designed for all age groups. From the Daddy Daughter Dance, to the REAL.TEXAS.FESTIVAL. to Christmas in the Park, family friendly fun is available for everyone.

Mesquite Parks & Recreation also supports athletic opportunities for all age groups through our partner athletic associations and our recreational sports programs. Our golf and tennis programs are being updated this year to encourage new and younger players to learn sports that will stay with them for a lifetime. Runners and walkers are invited to try out our 13 miles of trails with some of the most scenic settings available in town.

No matter what your interest, you can probably find it at Mesquite Parks & Recreation. There is no better time than right now to sign up for a class, join a team or get out and enjoy a park. And, most importantly, HAVE FUN!

Cliff Keheley
Director
Mesquite Parks & Recreation



Our Vision

The Mesquite Parks and Recreation Department is committed to providing facilities, activities, programs and services that afford anyone the possibility to better themselves, to enrich their lives with educational opportunities, cultural endeavors and active or passive leisure activities.

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Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and Tree Board

The Board serves in an advisory capacity to the City Council concerning the establishment, maintenance and operation of city parks, facilities and recreation programs to best meet public needs. Citizens of Mesquite are invited to come share their ideas or concerns with the board on the second Thursday of each month at the Westlake House (600 Gross Road). For more information please call 972.216.6260.

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Park Scan

Park scan is a program to bring park visitors, park neighbors and the City of Mesquite staff together to ensure safety and the highest quality of facilities and services. If you see vandalism or problems within a park or facility, please call the Mesquite Parks and Recreation administrative offices at 972.216.6260. If you see suspicious activity, a crime being committed or a medical emergency, call 911.

1515 North Galloway

972.216.6260

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Recreation Facilities

Camp Rorie Galloway

3100 Lawson Road

Dunford Recreation Center

972.279.9285

1015 Green Canyon

Nikki Sassenus-Recreation Supervisor

Evans Recreation Center

972.285.4145

1116 Hillcrest

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Florence Recreation Center

972.279.7477

2501 Whitson Way

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Goodbar Recreation Center

972.279.6881

3000 Concord

Rutherford Recreation Center

972.216.7790

900 Rutherford Drive

Derrick Woods-Recreation Supervisor

Shaw Gymnasium

972.288.6293

707 Purple Sage

Thompson Gymnasium

972.288.7200

2525 Helen Lane

Facility Hours

The below facility hours are in affect for the duration of the year. All recreation centers will be closed on New Years Day (January 1), Memorial Day (May 28), Independence Day (July 4), Labor Day (September 3), Thanksgiving Day (November 22) and Christmas Day (December 25).

School Year Hours

(following MISD calendar)

Center	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Dunford*	6-10 p.m.	6-10 p.m.	6-10 p.m.	6-10 p.m.	6-10 p.m.	9 a.m.-9 p.m.	1-6 p.m.
Evans	9 a.m.-9 p.m.	9 a.m.-9 p.m.	9 a.m.-9 p.m.	9 a.m.-9 p.m.	9 a.m.-9 p.m.	9 a.m.-9 p.m.	1-6 p.m.
Florence*	6-10 p.m.	6-10 p.m.	6-10 p.m.	6-10 p.m.	6-10 p.m.	Closed	Closed
Rutherford*	6-10 p.m.	6-10 p.m.	6-10 p.m.	6-10 p.m.	6-10 p.m.	9 a.m.-9 p.m.	Closed

*During MISD holidays, these facilities will be open at 9 a.m. and close at regularly scheduled times.

Summer Hours

June 1- August 19 (based upon MISD start date)

Center	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Dunford*	9 a.m.-10 p.m.	9 a.m.-10 p.m.	9 a.m.-10 p.m.	9 a.m.-10 p.m.	9 a.m.-10 p.m.	9 a.m.-9 p.m.	1-6 p.m.
Evans	9 a.m.-9 p.m.	9 a.m.-9 p.m.	9 a.m.-9 p.m.	9 a.m.-9 p.m.	9 a.m.-9 p.m.	9 a.m.-9 p.m.	1-6 p.m.
Florence*	9 a.m.-10 p.m.	9 a.m.-10 p.m.	9 a.m.-10 p.m.	9 a.m.-10 p.m.	9 a.m.-10 p.m.	Closed	Closed
Rutherford*	9 a.m.-10 p.m.	9 a.m.-10 p.m.	9 a.m.-10 p.m.	9 a.m.-10 p.m.	9 a.m.-10 p.m.	9 a.m.-9 p.m.	Closed

Reservation Facilities

Indoor Facilities

WESTLAKE HOUSE 421 GROSS ROAD

The Westlake House offers a perfect location to host formal events including weddings, receptions, showers, business retreats and meetings. This location provides seating for 30 guests on a couch and dining room chairs. The facility also has 50 white folding chairs for indoor use only. The kitchen is equipped with a refrigerator, microwave and oven. An outdoor gazebo is included in your reservation.



LAKESIDE ACTIVITY CENTER 101 HOLLEY PARK DRIVE

This facility is located in City Lake Park and offers a large area for family reunions, wedding receptions, birthday parties and meetings. Lakeside provides seating for up to 150 people and includes tables and chairs. The kitchen has a sink, microwave and refrigerator.

Fees for Westlake & Lakeside

Fees	Monday–Thursday	Friday–Sunday and Holidays
Residents	\$25/hour	\$50/hour
Non-Residents	\$50/hour	\$100/hour

Reservations are a 4 hour minimum

GOODBAR RECREATION CENTER 3000 CONCORD

Goodbar Recreation Center is located in northwest Mesquite adjacent to McKenzie Elementary School. This is a great location for a family reunion or a small reception as the facility contains a large open area, a kitchen and a gymnasium.

Fees	Monday–Thursday	Friday–Sunday and Holidays
Residents	\$150/3 hours	\$300/3 hours
Non-Residents	\$50/hour	\$100/hour

Reservations are a 4 hour minimum on weekends and holidays.

Reservation Facilities

Recreation Center Reservations

	Resident	Non-Resident
Dunford, Evans, Florence and Rutherford Recreation Centers	\$300/4 hours	\$600/4 hours
<i>Non-operational hours</i>		
Evans and Rutherford Senior Rooms, Dunford Green Canyon Room		
Monday-Thursday	\$25/hour	\$50/hour
Friday-Sunday and Holidays	\$35/hour	\$70/hour
<i>Operational hours (4 hour minimum)</i>		
½ Gym	\$15/hour	\$30/hour
<i>Operational hours (2 hour maximum)</i>		
Entire Gym	\$25/hour	\$50/hour
<i>Non-operational hours (2 hour minimum)</i>		

Outdoor Facilities

Shelters and pavilions offer shaded areas for most activities. All facilities have a drinking fountain, litter receptacles, play-grounds and/or open areas nearby and are handicap accessible. Restrooms are available at the pavilions.

Grill sizes in inches: Small 15" x 20"/Large 26" x 36"

Shelter Fees	Monday-Thursday	Friday-Sunday and Holidays
Residents	\$20 for 6 hours	\$25 for 6 hours
	\$30 for the day	\$40 for the day
Non-Residents	\$40 for 6 hours	\$50 for 6 hours
	\$60 for the day	\$80 for the day
Pavilion Fees	Weekdays	Weekends
Residents	\$30 for 6 hours	\$40 for 6 hours
	\$50 for the day	\$60 for the day
Non-Residents	\$60 for 6 hours	\$80 for 6 hours
	\$100 for the day	\$120 for the day

Reserve your next birthday, family reunion, retirement, baby shower, wedding shower or family gathering at one of our facilities.

Reservation Facilities

Blackwood Shelter

2321 Baker Street

Seating: 32

Grills: one small

Amenities: Playground

Trail: .66 mile

Brandy Station Pavilion

1919 Brandy Station

Seating: 64

Grills: 2 large

Amenities: Playground and restrooms

Trail: 1/2 mile

City Lake Pavilion

403 South Galloway Avenue

Seating: 32

Grills: 2 small

Amenities: Lake, fishing piers, lighted tennis court and restrooms

Trail: 1/2 mile

Clay Mathis Shelter

2181 Clay Mathis Boulevard

Seating: 32

Grills: one small

Amenities: Playground and volleyball court

Trail: .25 mile

DeBusk Pavilion

1625 Gross Road

Seating: 96

Grills: 2 large

Amenities: Playground and restrooms

Trail: 1.75 miles

Hodges Shelter

230 West Cartwright Road

Seating: 32

Grills: 2 small

Amenities: Playground

Trail: 1 mile

KidsQuest Pavilion

1625 Gross Road

Seating: 72

Grills: 2 large

Amenities: Playground and restrooms

Trail: 1.75 miles

McWhorter Shelter

1700 Hickory Tree

Seating: 32

Grills: 2 small

Amenities: Playground

Trail: .31 mile

Paschall Pavilion

1001 New Market Road

Seating: 72

Grills: 2 large

Amenities: Playground and restrooms

Trail: .38 miles

Town East Pavilion

2851 Gus Thomason Road

Seating: 80

Grills: 2 large

Amenities: Playground and restrooms

Trail: 1.2 miles

Valley Creek Pavilion

2482 Pioneer Road

Seating: 72

Grills: 2 large

Amenities: Playground, lakes, fishing piers and restrooms

Trail: 1.25 miles

Westover - Greenbelt Shelter

2520 Forney Road

Seating: 32

Grills: 2 small

Amenities: Playground

Trail: 1.75 miles

Westover - Sybil Shelter

Sybil Drive and North Parkway Boulevard

Seating: 64

Grills: 1 large

Trail: 1.75 miles

Recreation Classes

PRE-SCHOOL CLASSES

Dance Perspective

Children will experience the excitement of movement to music while developing coordination, muscle tone, posture, strength, and agility. The instructor teaches classical techniques in Ballet, Jazz, and Tap.

Dunford Recreation Center

Inspiring Little Minds (I.L.M)

I.L.M. has hands on fun activities to open your child's mind to a new world full of wonder. Children will gain social skills, develop creativity with music and art and work with letters, numbers, colors and shapes.

Evans Recreation Center

Lil' Rookie Sports – T-Ball

This program is for preschoolers wanting to learn the basics of hitting, base running, fielding and catching. The first two classes will concentrate on skill development; the last two weeks will be used for games.

Rutherford Recreation Center



Lil' Rookie Sports – Soccer

This program is for preschoolers wanting to learn the basics of kicking, dribbling, goal tending and passing. The first two classes will concentrate on skill development; the last two weeks will be used for games.

Rutherford Recreation Center

THERAPEUTIC CLASSES

Golf

Golf provides one of the greatest opportunities for Special Olympic athletes to train and compete among and alongside their peers in the community. Classes are held at the Mesquite Golf Club and administered by Evans Recreation Center.

Co-Ed Flag Football

The newest sport offered by Special Olympics! This is a 5 x 5 non-contact sport where individual skills challenges will also be held.

Evans Recreation Center

Game Night

This monthly special event on the first Friday night of each month is for kids and teens with special needs and their siblings. The program will include board games, Wii, and refreshments. Pre-registration is encouraged.

Evans Recreation Center

First Aid and CPR Training

This is your opportunity to receive American Red Cross training and to give you the knowledge and skills needed to provide basic care and sudden illnesses. The class will cover adults, children and infants and how to use an AED.

Evans Recreation Center

Recreation Classes

YOUTH CLASSES

Krafty Kidz Art Workshop

Come express your creative style! Each week kids will be creating works of art by doing crafts such as painting, paper crafts, drawing and much more. Come dressed ready to have fun and get messy!

Dunford Recreation Center

Cheer Basics

A class especially designed for young dancers that will introduce basic cheerleading and hip-hop techniques. This class will challenge student's fitness and creativity levels as they move, dance and cheer. No cheer or dance experience is needed, all levels are welcome!

Dunford Recreation Center

Next Step Sports – Track & Field

Are ready to go for the gold? This is for youth who are unfamiliar with the sport of track & field. The students will learn aspects of the sport by working on skills for running, jumping, and throwing events.

Rutherford Recreation Center

Teen Fitness Training

Are you looking to make the team or just wanting to shape up? Then this is the class for you. Students will learn good techniques for gaining strength, speed and endurance. What a better way to avoid sports injuries than to be in great condition. Learn the proper techniques of weight training to shape and tone your body. This is the only opportunity for participants under 15 to use the weight room.

Rutherford Recreation Center

ADULT CLASSES

Vinyasa Yoga

A style of yoga designed to incorporate breath with movement. It is a blend of Vinyasa flow and traditional Hatha yoga poses. The class is for all levels of practice and focuses on strength, flexibility, endurance, posture, balance and concentration.

Dunford Recreation Center

Pilates

Join in and improve your mental and physical well-being, increase flexibility and strengthen muscles. Pilates is a body conditioning routine that seeks to build flexibility, strength, endurance and coordination without adding muscle bulk.

Dunford Recreation Center

Total Body Sculpting

This class features the classic weight room style of free weights and machines with a few modern additions. Your instructor focuses on form and complete upper and lower body muscles with limited cardiovascular work. The class offers individual help when needed and exercises to fit your problem areas.

Dunford Recreation Center

Everybody Step

This class allows everyone to start their own pace. You may either start on the floor with no step or increase your cardiovascular workout by adding a step. The first half hour of class is a fun step aerobic workout and the last half of class focuses on body sculpting.

Dunford Recreation Center

Recreation Classes

Mindful Movements

This class incorporates rhythmic movement and breathing that strengthens and stretches the total body.

Evans Recreation Center

RIPPED

RIPPED fitness class is composed of Resistance, Intervals, Power, Plyometrics, Endurance, Diet. Using a combination of weight training and cardio this class will help you meet your fitness goals.

Evans Recreation Center

Body Shaping

Shape and tighten your figure or physique, improve your cardiovascular and muscular endurance through the use of weight training and other exercises in our fitness room. This class will involve upper and lower body muscles.

Rutherford Recreation Center

Low Impact Aerobics

Looking for a fun way to re-energize after long day at work? Find your inner strength and challenge yourself in this class with effective aerobic techniques. This class will consist of warm-ups, a cardio boosting workout and specific exercises that target the arms, belly, buns and thighs.

Rutherford Recreation Center

Zumba Fitness

Ditch the workout and catch the craze! Zumba Fitness is a fusion of Latin and International music that creates a dynamic, exciting and effective aerobic routine that is fun and easy to follow. All fitness levels welcomed!

*Rutherford Recreation Center and
Evans Recreation Center*

For a complete listing of classes refer to www.cityofmesquite.com



AQUATIC FACILITIES

Aquatic facilities will open to the public May 26 for the 2012 season. Three aquatic facilities are available for you to cool off during the summer. Lounge chairs, shade structures and concessions are available at each location. You can bring your own refreshments, but no glass or alcohol is allowed. Remember children under 8 must be accompanied in the water by someone who is at least 16 years old and only coast guard approved life vests are permitted as a flotation device.

City Lake Aquatic Center • 200 Parkview • 972.285.5277	
Monday-Wednesday	12-8 p.m.
Thursday-Sunday	12-7 p.m.
Admission	
Up to 2 Years	Free
3 Years-54 Years	\$4 per person
55 years and older	\$2 per person
After 5:00 pm	\$2 per person
Punch Card	\$30 for 10 admissions

Shade Structure Reservations

Two different shade structure reservations are available during daily operation for three-hour increments from 12-3 p.m. or from 3:30-6:30 p.m.

	Resident	Non-Resident
Monday-Thursday	\$30/3 hours	\$60/3 hours
Friday-Sunday	\$40/3 hours	\$80/3 hours

Private pool rentals

The entire pool can be reserved for your Thursday through Sunday evenings after 7:30 p.m.

1-200 entries	\$400
201-500 entries	\$600



Aquatics

Vanston Pool • 2913 Oates • 972.270.2687

Monday-Wednesday	12-8 p.m.
Thursday-Sunday	12-7 p.m.
Admission	
Up to 2 Years	Free
3 Years-54 Years	\$4 per person
55 years and older	\$2 per person
After 5:00 pm	\$2 per person
Punch Card	\$30 for 10 admissions

Shade Structure Reservations

Three different sections are available during daily operation for three-hour increments from 12-3 p.m. or from 3:30-6:30 p.m.

	Resident	Non-Resident
Monday-Thursday	\$30/3 hours	\$60/3 hours
Friday-Sunday	\$40/3 hours	\$80/3 hours

Private pool rentals

The entire pool can be reserved for your party Thursday through Sunday evenings after 7:30 p.m.

1-300 entries \$400

Town East Pool • 2525 John Glenn • 972-270-2683

Monday-Friday	1:00 – 6:00
Saturday-Sunday	1:00 – 7:00
Admission	
Up to 2 Years	Free
3 Years – 54 Years	\$2 per person
55 years and older	\$1 per person
After 5:00 pm	\$2 per person
Punch Card	\$30 for 20 admissions

Shade Structure Reservations

The shade structure is available for reservations during daily operation for three-hour increments.

	Resident	Non-Resident
Monday-Thursday	\$25/3 hours	\$50/3 hours
Friday-Sunday	\$35/3 hours	\$70/3 hours

Private pool rentals

The entire pool can be reserved for your party Saturday or Sunday evenings after 7:30 p.m.

1-275 entries \$225

AQUATIC PROGRAMS

Swim Lessons

Join us for our group swim lesson program. All of our instructors are American Red Cross certified, receive background and reference checks. Class fees are \$50 for eight lessons. Saturday classes are \$35 for four lessons.

Lessons are scheduled Monday through Thursday for two weeks with Fridays used as a makeup day. Saturday cancellations will be rescheduled at the end of the session. There is a maximum of eight students per class. Students will be grouped by their skill level for individual classes. Students of similar skill level may be combined with the instructor's approval in order to fill a class. A lifeguard is always on duty when there are people inside the pool area.



The following levels describe what skills will be taught in the lessons:

Parent-Tot (6 months to 3 years)

- Holding positions
- Water entry and bubble blowing
- Supported front and back movement
- Underwater exploration
- Rolling over
- Use of lifejackets

Guppy Skills (ages 4-5)

- Entering and exiting the water safely
- Exploring the pool
- Begin to float on the front with support
- Begin to float on the back with support
- Blowing bubbles

Minnow Skills (Level 1)

- Submerging entire head under water
- Learning to kick with flotation device
- Jumping into the pool from the side

Seahorse Skills (Level 2)

- Submerge mouth, nose and eyes
- Exhale under water (bubbles)
- Jumping from the side of the pool
- Float on the front and back
- Begin arm and leg movements for the front crawl
- Open eyes underwater and submerge to pick up object
- Perform rhythmic breathing

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Aquatics

Otter Skills (Level 3)

- Tread water
- Glide on the front and back
- Roll from front to back, back to front
- Front crawl and stroke refinement
- Begin arm and leg movements for the back crawl
- Back crawl and stroke refinement

Youth (ages 12-16) and Adults (ages 16+)

- Float on the front and the back

- Glide on the front and the back
- Begin arm and leg movements for the front crawl
- Roll from the front to the back
- Tread water
- Front crawl stroke refinement

Swim lesson dates and prices will be available in April when registration begins. More information can be found at www.cityofmesquite.com.

Mesquite Marlins

The Mesquite Marlins is a TAAF affiliated swim team for youth and adults based out of Town East Pool. The practices are held daily starting mid-May. Swim meets are on Saturdays throughout the metroplex. The 2012 TAAF Games of Texas will be held in Corpus Christi from July 26-29.

The Mesquite Marlins also offers the Masters Swim program. The class is for any adult at any skill level from beginner to competitive swimmer. The class is held Monday through Fridays at Town East Pool.

For more information on practice times and other specifics, please visit www.mesquitemarlins.org.

Water Fitness Programs

Water fitness programs are held during the pool season for adults and seniors. Program times and locations will be available in April when registration begins.





YOUTH VOLLEYBALL

Youth Volleyball is offered during the fall and spring months. The program is for ages 8-14. League games and practices are held once per week during the week at recreation centers and/or MISD facilities.

Fees include a uniform jersey. Volunteer coaches are subject to a background check and coaches trainings are held prior to the season. Registration for the two leagues begins in August and January.

ADULT SPORTS

Our goal is to provide a variety of adult sports programs that meet the needs of the community. If you are interested in any of the following activities, we would like to hear from you! Check our website regularly for program information.

- Adult Volleyball
- Kickball
- Flag Football
- Basketball
- Pickleball

COMMUNITY ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

Youth sports offer a great way to stay fit, while learning teamwork and new skills. Mesquite Parks and Recreation appreciates the opportunity to partner with these organizations to provide recreational outlets for our youth. For information on upcoming baseball, football, softball and soccer leagues please contact the following:

Mesquite Baseball Incorporated

www.mesquitebaseball.org

972.270.7717

Fall and Spring leagues

Mesquite Fastpitch Softball Association

www.mesquitefastpitch.org

469.885.6330

Fall, Spring and Summer leagues

Mesquite Soccer Association

www.mesquitesoccer.net

972.285.7672

Fall and Spring leagues

Mesquite Peewee Football Association

www.leaguelineup.com/mpwfa

214.914.3402

Fall leagues

Mesquite Softball Umpires Association

www.msuasoftball.com

214.373.2288

Spring, Summer and Fall adult leagues

Real. Texas. Athletics.

YOUTH BASKETBALL

Youth Basketball is offered during the winter and summer months. The program is for ages 3-14 and includes an instructional league, a competitive league (division 1) and a recreation league (division 2).

Division 1: Consists of teams that are hand-selected by the coach. Participants must register as a team and turn in a team roster with registration. Fee does not include jersey.

Division 2: Consists of teams that are formed through a “draft” system where the emphasis is put on balancing the strength of teams throughout the league. Fee includes jersey.

League games are scheduled on Friday evenings and Saturdays and practices are held one time per week during the weeknights at recreation centers and/or MISD facilities. Volunteer coaches are subject to a background check and coaches trainings are held prior to the season. Registration for the two leagues begins in November and April.

DISC GOLF

The City of Mesquite has three disc golf courses in local parks. Each course has its own characteristics and is designed with different levels of players in mind.

- The nine-hole course at Porter School Park is an effective course for beginning players and is a fast-paced course for more advanced player.
- Debusk Park nine-hole course challenges the more advanced player and is a good course to develop basic disc golf skills.
- Paschall Park is a premiere 18-hole course with two skill level tee boxes per hole.

No tee times are needed to play and the courses are free. For more information and to download maps and a score card of the Paschall Park course visit www.cityofmesquite.com.

WESTLAKE TENNIS CENTER

972.289.5326

Facility features 6 lighted courts, 3 covered courts, a pro shop, ball machine rental and dressing rooms. Courts may be reserved on a first come, first serve basis, two days in advance. Please call Westlake Tennis center for information and reservations.

Lessons

Private and Group lessons for adults and juniors of all skill levels are available.

Leagues

Leagues are offered year around for men and women.

Mesquite Golf Club

825 Interstate 30
972.270.7457

Discover Real. Texas. Golf.

The Mesquite Golf Course is a 154-Acre 18-hole public golf course owned by the City of Mesquite. Stretching to 6,280 yards the par 71 course is a challenging course for both beginner and



intermediate golfers. The wide open fairways of our 18-hole course make the game fun for everyone while their roll and pitch inject a certain element of challenge. We invite all local golfers to experience great golf in Mesquite by booking your tee time today!

Mesquite Senior Golf Association

The MSGA plays every Thursday morning unless it is a holiday. Stop by and visit us to find information on joining the association. Annual dues are \$20 plus \$5 for each tournament fee.

Mesquite Ladies Golf Association

The Mesquite Ladies Golf Association plays 9 holes of golf at the Mesquite Golf Club on Tuesdays and one Sunday a month. We also participate in tournaments throughout the year. More information can be found at www.MLGA.org.

Private Lessons

\$60 hour

\$30 half an hour

Junior Lessons

Ages 14 - 17

\$45 an hour

Ages 7 - 13

\$20 half an hour

Please call Ken Smith for more information 972.270.7457


MESQUITE
GOLF CLUB
Real. Texas. Golf.

Recreation After School Program

Recreation After School Program (RASP)

RASP is a Recreation After School Program managed by trained and friendly staff designed to include supervised activities, arts and crafts, snacks and homework time in a fun and safe environment. The program operates in harmony with the MISD calendar. Program hours are from 2:45-6:00 p.m. during regular school days.

Fees

\$80 per month or \$25 per week (some months will be pro-rated due to MISD calendar)

Location	Phone #	Elementary School
Achziger	972.290.4198	Achziger
Dunford	972.279.9285	Beasley
Florence	972.279.7477	Florence
Goodbar	972.279.6881	McKenzie
Rutherford	972.216.7790	Rutherford
Shaw	972.288.6293	Shaw
Thompson	972.882.7200	Thompson

All-Day R.A.S.P

During MISD school holidays and teacher in-service days, an All-Day R.A.S.P. program will be provided at Dunford Recreation Center and Rutherford Recreation Center. The program will be from 7:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. The fee will be \$20 per child (per day) and must be paid by the specified deadline or a late fee will occur.

Spring Break Camp

A camp will be provided during Spring Break (March 12-16) at Dunford Recreation Center. Camp hours will be 7:30 a.m.- 6:00 p.m. The fee will be \$75 per child (\$65 for each additional child in household) and participants must be registered by March 8 or will be subject to a late fee.



CAMP RORIE GALLOWAY

3100 Lawson Road

Camp Rorie Galloway is an action-packed and exciting way to enjoy the summer and create wonderful memories! Camp Rorie-Galloway provides a summer camp program with a focus on team-oriented and individual outdoor activities. Our goal is for campers to have a safe and fun experience,



make new friends, and build self-confidence by conquering challenges they set for themselves. While campers develop these new skills they will also gain an appreciation of nature and the outdoors. Camp Rorie Galloway features a variety of nature related activities, outdoor living skills, canoeing, swimming, nature crafts, fishing, hiking, archery, along with our challenge course. Field trips and swim days are held weekly.

A maximum of 75 participants will be accepted in each session. Campers are allowed to participate in multiple sessions.

Camp dates and prices will be available in April when registration begins. More information can be found at www.cityofmesquite.com.

Sample Daily Schedule

7:30 a.m. Extended activities begin at Rorie Galloway

9:00 a.m. Daily camp program begins

4:00 p.m. Camp program concludes – extended activities available at camp

6:00 p.m. Extended activities concludes

Ages

6-12 years old (campers must have completed 1st grade)

13-16 years old for Teen Camp programs

14-18 years old eligible for C.I.T. (Counselor in Training) program

Parent's Night

Camper's parents are invited to the Day Camp on Thursday from 5:30-7 p.m. A cookout is provided along with an opportunity to visit the staff and see what your child experienced during their week at camp.

Real. Texas. Camps.

C.I.T. (Counselor in Training)

This is a leadership program that prepares teens to become counselors. This program creates an opportunity for 14-18 year olds to develop leadership, job, and communication skills. Teens who love the outdoors will thrive in this selective camping experience. Potential C.I.T.'s are required to complete an application, go through an interview process, receive CPR & First Aid certification, and attend a ropes course training at our facility. Participants will be selected only by camp staff.

Coed Teen Camp

This teen camp is reserved exclusively for teens 12 years of age or older. Teens will have fun while making new friends, participate in service projects, develop new skills, build self-confidence, appreciate teamwork, and grow self-reliance. Camp is designed for older campers who are looking to experience camp with an extra twist on traditional camp activities. No prior experience is necessary but an adventurous spirit is a must! Please, register early, because space is limited.

Teen Camp Get-A-Way

This program includes an out-of-town, overnight camping experience. Teen campers will attend Camp Rorie Galloway on Monday and Tuesday for regular camp activities. On Wednesday morning teen campers will depart from camp for a 3 day excursion and return to Rorie Galloway on Friday afternoon. Be prepared for an awesome week! Parents must sign a release form and will be notified of all specific details of the trip.

End of the Summer Campout

Any summer camp participant is invited to end the summer with our annual campout at Camp Rorie Galloway. Campers will need to bring a tent, sleeping bag, and toiletries. Dinner and s'more will be provided. Activities include: zip line, team games, and a night owl walk through the woods.

Camp Rorie Galloway Spring Break Camp

A camp will be provided during Spring Break March 12-16. Camp hours will be from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. for \$75 per child. Participants will experience a fun week developing outdoor skills, gaining an appreciation of nature and conquering challenges with our challenge course. Please register by March 8 or be subject to a late fee.



BLAST DAY CAMP

B.L.A.S.T. Day Camp (Bringing Leadership, Art and Sports Together) allows children to participate in a traditional summer day camp program. Activities include swimming, games, crafts, field trips, nature walks, and other exciting adventures. Campers build self-esteem, develop social skills and improve health and fitness while exploring a different theme each week.

BLAST will be held at Florence Recreation Center, Evans Recreation Center and Rutherford Recreation Center from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. for ages 6-12. Participants must register by the Thursday before each week of camp or will be subject to a late fee.

Camp dates and prices will be available in April when registration begins. More information can be found at www.cityofmesquite.com.

BLAST SPORTS CAMP

This exciting camp allows children to participate in a traditional summer day camp with weekly sports themes. Participants will learn the basic skills of a new sport each week as well as participate in traditional camp activities. Campers will learn sportsmanship, build self-esteem, develop social skills and improve health and fitness while exploring different sports each week.

BLAST Sports Camp will be held at Dunford Recreation Center from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. for ages 6-12. Participants must register by the Thursday before each week of camp or will be subject to a late fee. Camp dates and prices will be available in April when registration begins.



Senior Adult Lifestyles

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Mesquite Parks and Recreation offers adults 55 + access to a wide range of program options. Life-long recreation participants receive big benefits with social connections, a healthier lifestyle, expanded creativity and boosting your brainpower.



EVANS RECREATION CENTER

1116 Hillcrest
972.285.6761
Monday-Friday
8 a.m.-4 p.m.
Pam Folsom-Senior Program Supervisor

GOODBAR RECREATION CENTER

3000 Concord Drive
972.279.6881
Monday-Friday
8 a.m.-3 p.m.
Ralph Gordon-Senior Programs Supervisor

RUTHERFORD RECREATION CENTER

900 Rutherford Drive
972.216.7791
Monday-Friday
8 a.m-4 p.m.
Diane Mickelson-Senior Recreation Supervisor

How To Get Connected

- Drop by and visit any Mesquite Senior Center during hours of operation
- Find us at www.cityofmesquite.com
- *Yesterday's Kids*, a monthly newsletter that has the most up to date listing of activities.
- Call us at one of the above facilities.

SOCIAL

Lunch Served

Good nutrition is part of maintaining a healthy lifestyle. A hot lunch, providing one-third of the "Recommended Daily Requirement" for a regular diet, is offered for a low suggested donation of seventy-five cents to qualified 60+ participants. Those 59 and under may purchase a meal for \$5.55. Lunch is served Monday-Friday at Goodbar and Evans Recreation Centers 11:45 a.m. Advanced reservations are preferred. "This program is supported, in part, by the City of Mesquite, the Dallas Area Agency on Aging and the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services."

Friday Night Dance

Let's go boot scootin'! Adults 50+ join us for live music, dancing, fellowship, and light refreshments at Evans Recreation Center. Dances are the 2nd and 4th Friday nights each month from 7-9:30 p.m. Cost is \$5 per person. Dress is casual and the music is country. Donations of finger foods are welcomed. Schedule of bands is available in the monthly newsletter or by calling 972.285.6761.

Fifth Friday Afternoon Dance

More dancing takes place the fifth Friday of every month. Dance to the music of Jimmy Gomez's Country Outlaws. ERC, 1-3:30 p.m., \$5 per person, *on-going*

Blue Grass Jam Session

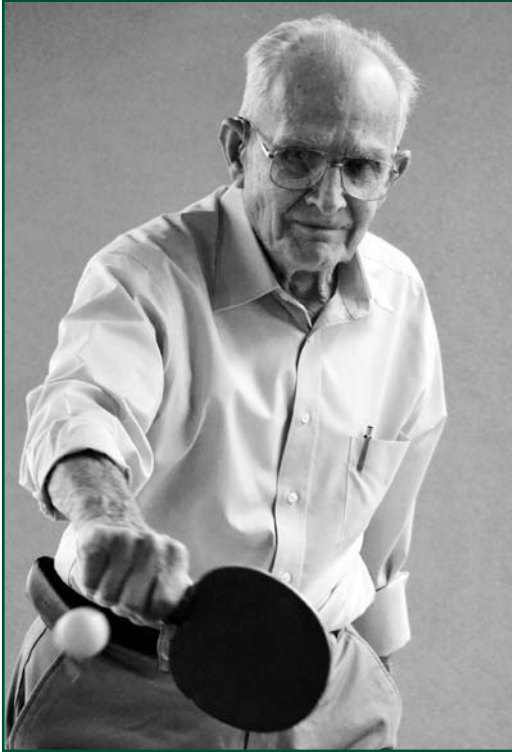
Every Monday night, a Bluegrass jam session takes place at Evans Recreation Center. Bluegrass musicians from all over the area come to play, sing and socialize. Everyone is given an opportunity to share their talent for an appreciative audience. *ERC, Mondays, 5:30-8:30 p.m., donations accepted, on-going*

Wii Leagues

The video game revolution has arrived! Wii bowling and other sporting leagues are offered for adults 55+. League champions compete with other senior program areas for the final championships. Check the Yesterday's Kids newsletter or ask staff when the next league is forming.



Senior Adult Lifestyles



FITNESS

Weight Room

Adults 55+, registered as senior center participants, may use the weight room free Monday-Friday during senior center operational hours at Evans, Goodbar, and Rutherford Recreation Centers. After senior center operation hours Monday-Friday and on Saturday adults 55+ must register for a weight room card at an annual fee of \$25.

Senior Exercise

Limber up with a series of stretching and range of motion movements done seated and standing. This moderate exercise class utilizes exercise bands and is offered four days per week. This is a great program for individuals beginning an exercise regimen or to help maintain flexibility. **FREE CLASS**
Evans Senior Center

Fitness Work Out

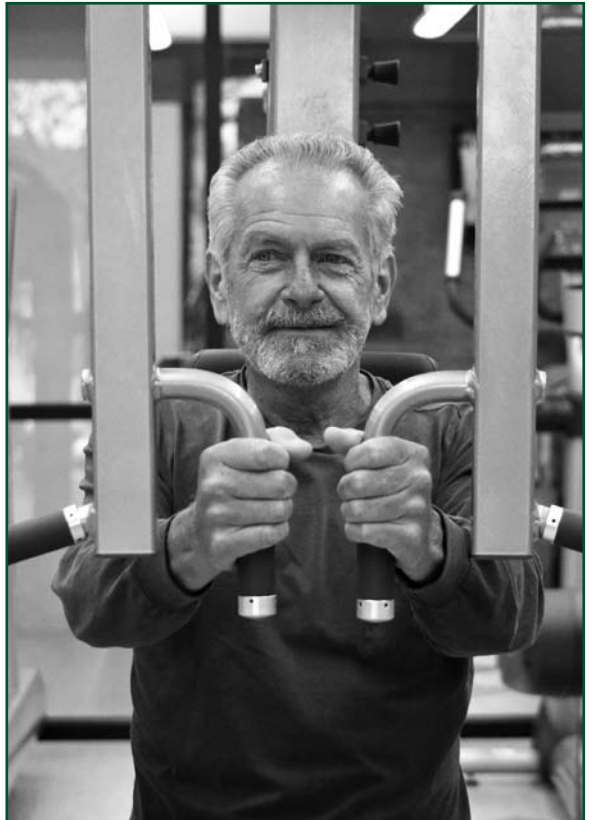
Maintain fitness and health with a full body workout. Alternate routines are done to improve cardio health, muscle tone, and strength. Start your day out right.

FREE CLASS

Goodbar Senior Center

Fitness Challenge

All adults 55+ are invited to participate in Mesquite Senior Center Fitness Programs. Deena Strang will coordinate recording fitness data and senior participation in the President's Challenge and Texas Round Up. A special awards ceremony is planned in May. Call 972.216.7791 for more information.



Senior Adult Lifestyles

Water Exercise

This is challenging aerobic workout while taking it easy on your joints. It is possible to sweat in the water! Two six-week sessions will be offered at City Lake Aquatic Center. Participants will need to wear a bathing suit and bring a water noodle water to the class.

Specific dates and prices will be available in April when registration begins. More information can be found at www.cityofmesquite.com.

Caps for Soldiers

The Caps for Soldiers Project provides knitted or crocheted caps or helmet liners for troops serving in Iraq or Afghanistan. Volunteers make the caps, assemble packages with candy and distribute the packets to soldiers as they deploy at DFW airport. Trips to the airport are scheduled every 4-8 weeks. Donations to support this program are accepted at Evans Senior Center. For more information contact one of the senior program staff.



Being Young Fair

Each September, Goodbar Recreation Center hosts this fair that includes fun, great entertainment and tasty food. Everyone is invited to bring their inner child and remember back when the carnival came to town! Games and activities require coupons, which will be for sale for a nominal fee. For more information contact Goodbar Recreation Center at 972.279.6881.

Brain Boosters

Critical Thinking

Do you enjoy puzzles, trivia and word games? This class will help keep brain muscle in shape and boost mental health with interesting and fun challenging exercises.

FREE Class

Goodbar Senior Center

Bridge

This card game will keep your mind sharp by playing this mentally stimulating game. A card game for four players with two partners that bid for the right to name a trump suit and score points on tricks above six.

FREE CLASS

Evans Senior Center

Mesquite Public Library

MESQUITE PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM

YEAR-ROUND LEARNING!

YEAR-ROUND FUN!

Main Library
300 W. Grubb Drive
Mesquite, TX 75149
972-216-6220

North Branch
2600 Oates Drive
Mesquite, TX 75150
972-681-0465

Kids and Teens

- The Mesquite Public Library system offers fun and free activities year round, including Story Times for infants through toddlers. This is a great way for parents to introduce children to the joys of reading and language.
- During Spring Break 2012, March 12-16, both libraries will host several activities. There will be crafts, games, movies, and science fun!
- The annual Summer Reading Club for children starts June 4 and runs through July 28. This year's theme is "Get a Clue...At the Library." Activities will include special guest performers, movie showings, craft times, story times, and more.
- Teen Reading Club also starts on June 4. The Teen Reading Club encourages teens to become lifelong readers. The 2012 theme "Teen Scene Investigation (TSI): Realm of the Unknown" will explore the mysteries and possibilities of today's world!

Throughout the year, the Mesquite Public Library offers a variety of programs for children including craft times, parties and special holiday celebrations, such as Halloween Happenings on October 29.

Adults

- Join us for the Book Club which meets at 7pm on the first Thursday of the month at the Main Library.
- In 2012, the Library will also offer an Adult Reading Club June 4 – July 28. Drawings for prizes will be available to participants.
- The Library offers free computer classes and genealogy classes.
- The AARP Tax Assistance Program will be offered at the Main Library. This free program will be on Mondays, beginning in February and running until the tax filing deadline. Interested individuals should bring a copy of last year's return and required paperwork, which may include W-2 forms, 1099 forms, etc. Please note: This program is offered on a first-come, first-serve basis. Tax forms and publications will be available at both libraries.

More information on all library programs can be found at Mesquite Public Library's online calendar at www.cityofmesquite.com/library/

2012 Special Events

Daddy Daughter Dance

February 3 • \$15/person/session

4-8 years old 6:00-8:00 p.m.
9-12 years old 8:30-10:30 p.m.

Your special little sweetheart will be on top of the world at the annual Daddy Daughter Dance at the Mesquite Convention Center. An evening filled with fabulous music, light refreshments, fun and dancing waits.

Mother Son Dance

March 2 • \$15/person • 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Boys ages 4-12 will enjoy this fun-filled night with their mother at the Mesquite Convention Center. An evening filled with games, fabulous music, light refreshments, fun and dancing waits.

Breakfast with the Bunny

March 24 • \$5/person • 8-10 a.m.

Children of all ages are invited to hop on over for some breakfast favorites of pancakes and sausage at Evans Recreation Center.

Spring Egg Hunt

March 24 • 10:30 a.m.

Join the fun as the annual egg hunt at Evans Recreation Center is held. Infants to 9 year olds can enjoy the festivities. The bunny and crew will be available for pictures for a small fee.

Real. Texas. Festival.

April 27-28

This event at the Resistol Arena features two days of concerts from national recording artists, carnival fun, classic cars, a barbecue competition and performance of the Mesquite Pro Rodeo Series. Tickets will go on sale in March and will be \$10 in advance and \$20 at the gate.

Movies In The Park

**May 11, June 8, July 13 and
August 17 (Back to School Bash)**

It's summer time movie madness! Come experience the joy of movie watching in the great outdoors at City Lake Park. Bring your picnic, lawn chairs and blankets so you can truly enjoy these family events that begin at dusk. Movies are free, except on August 17 where there will be an admission fee into City Lake Aquatic Center for the Back to School Bash and dive-in movie. Movie titles will be released in the spring.

Old Town Mesquite's KIDFISH

May 19 • 9 a.m. -12 p.m.

KIDFISH is an outreach program designed to educate and provide a hands-on fishing experience for children ages 6-12 at City Lake Park. Prizes will be awarded. Poles and bait will be provided or bring your own. The event is FREE and donations are accepted to support the community fishing outreach efforts of the KIDFISH Foundation.

Doggie Splash Day

August 11

The annual Doggie Splash Day that includes popular activities like the diving contest, retrieving competition and swim suit contest will be held at Vanston Pool from 10 a.m to 1 p.m. There is a \$5 fee for owners and the dogs are free. All other spectators are \$1.

Pumpkin Fest

October 20

All ages will enjoy this annual fall festival with crafts, games, rides, costume contests, and great festival food at City Lake Park! There will be a small fee for some activities and concessions.

Haunted Campout

October 27

The annual Haunted Family Campout will take place at a ghostly Camp Rorie-Galloway. We'll have prizes for the spookiest campsite, not-so-scary stories around the campfire, and smores for all! Dinner will be served Saturday night and a light breakfast will be served Sunday morning for those that survive! There is a \$25 fee for a family of four (\$5 per additional family member)

Christmas in the Park

December 6-8

All ages have been enjoying this winter fest event for 25 years with the crafts, games, children's area, rides, fun holiday treats and of course Santa. There is a small fee for some activities and concessions.



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