



FIRST FRIDAY REPORT



A Monthly Update for Friends of
THE YMCA OF METROPOLITAN DALLAS

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Dear YMCA Friends,

Here are a few highlights of what's happening through your YMCA:

Youth Development The JER Chilton YMCA at Rockwall offers Angel Camp to the community as a way for unique children to have a camp experience that they otherwise may not be able to have. Angel Camp creates an environment that allows children to explore and support what their needs require. Angel Camp is designed to accommodate children with special needs, ages 5–18. This summer program allows kids with differing physical and intellectual abilities the opportunity to experience typical day camp activities like archery, riflery (BBs), crafts, swimming, canoeing, group games, field trips and more. Visit ymcadallas.org/angelcamp to learn more.



Healthy Living The Y has always been a place where families can play and be active together, and that's more important than ever. Whether the activities are physical, like sports or exercise classes; or more recreational, like swimming, camping, or cooking and arts, Ys want families to do things together because you'll live healthier and make memories for a lifetime. With summer upon us, the Y is a great place to spend time during a family staycation.



Social Responsibility The Armed Services YMCA and Department of Defense Outreach Initiative offers YMCA memberships to eligible military families and personnel who may not have access to a nearby military facility. The Department of Defense will underwrite memberships at participating YMCAs for an initial six-month period for each eligible family and service member. Membership renewals in subsequent six-month intervals (up to 12 or 18 months depending on eligibility) will be funded based on a military family's or service member's ability to meet the participation requirement. Contact Military OneSource at www.militaryonesource.com or 800-342-9647 to confirm eligibility and receive an eligibility form.



Jack Semones is a legend within the YMCA in Dallas. Jack started his career at the Park Cities (now Moody Family Y) in 1952 as a Program Director serving young people and families. Jack was very successful in his role and the kids and families in his programs were a veritable who's who of Dallas. Several years later, Jack was tasked with starting a new YMCA to serve families north of Northwest Highway. From his efforts, the Town North YMCA was born, and Jack became the first Executive Director. Jack established a culture that exists today. On July 15th, we renamed Town North, the "Semones Family YMCA" to honor an extraordinary leader.



Thank you for your continued support.

In spirit, mind, and body.
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Curt Hazelbaker".

Curt Hazelbaker
President and Chief Executive Officer

