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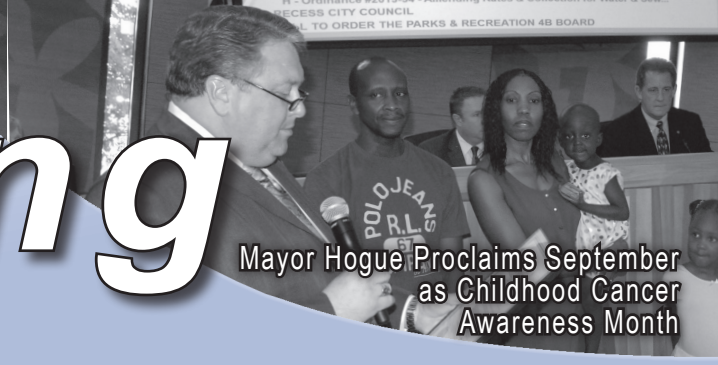

Mayor Hogue Proclaims September as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

Wylie Senior Recreation Center Grand Opening October 12

The Wylie City Council and Parks & Recreation Department invite you and your entire family to the grand opening of the new Wylie Senior Recreation Center located in the former Smith Library, 800 Thomas Street in Community Park. Join us Saturday, October 12, from 8:30 am - 10:30 am for free pancakes provided by the Masons, music and fun. The official dedication and ribbon cutting hosted by Mayor Hogue, is scheduled for 9:00 am.

The updated and newly remodeled 7,000 square feet of space will host activities and programs for citizens ages 55 years and older that are currently offered at the Bart Peddicord Community Center in historic downtown Wylie. The recreation staff is excited to offer expanded programming and services in the larger, divided space specifically designed for seniors, including exercise classes, health screenings, community education, arts and crafts, music, dance and much more. The new center has a dedicated kitchen, craft room, exercise room and large common area. The center will also serve as the launching point for day and overnight field trips that are continuing to grow in popularity.

The Senior Center was made possible by the hard work and fund raising efforts of the Wylie Advocates for Senior Activities (WASA), and the generous donation of time and materials by Tommy Pulliam of Pulliam Construction Management, Willaby Electric, Wild Bunch Painting and Lutz Woodworking.

For more details on grand opening activities and Senior Center programs and activities go to WylieTexas.gov/recreation or call 972-442-8119.

FREE FOOD & FUN

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 1984 2013 30th ANNIVERSARY

POLICE • COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Tuesday, October 1
Olde City Park
5 pm - 8 pm

Police/Fire Displays • Helicopter Landing
Hot Dogs, Drinks & Cotton Candy • Bounce Houses
Game Truck • Pony Rides • Face Painting

The Wylie Police Department wants to hear about your National Night Out event or neighborhood activity. To register as a National Night Out participant, or schedule a visit from Wylie Police or Wylie Fire Rescue, please contact Crime Prevention Officer Angie McIntosh, angie.mcintosh@wylietexas.gov.

Celebrate as a Community,
Return Home,
Turn Your Porch Light On,
Meet Your Neighbors

Handmade Craft & Fine Art Vendors Wanted

The fifth annual Wylie Arts Festival is scheduled for Saturday, December 7, 10 am – 7 pm, at the First Baptist Church Events Center in Historic Downtown Wylie. We are currently seeking applications for fine artists and handmade crafters to fill more than 100 vendor spaces.

The event focuses on fine art of all disciplines including but not limited to painting, sculpture, photography; and handmade crafts in wood, leather, metal, ceramics and other materials.

Wylie ARTS FESTIVAL
ART - CRAFTS - MUSIC - FOOD - TREE LIGHTING

For more information email carole.ehrlich@wylietexas.gov or call 972-516-6023. For details on sponsoring the Wylie Arts Festival email craig.kelly@wylietexas.gov. Go to www.WylieTexas.gov/artsfestival to download the vendor and sponsor applications.

National Preparedness Month

The City of Wylie encourages all citizens to recognize the importance of preparedness and observe the month of September as Emergency Preparedness Month. Wylie Fire Rescue and the Wylie Police Department believe that awareness and preparation can help save lives, and encourages every citizen to be vigilant and take personal responsibility by developing a disaster plan, preparing an emergency supply kit, signing up for NIXLE email and text message alerts, and purchasing a weather radio.

Make preparedness a priority by working together to ensure that all individuals, families, and communities are prepared for disasters and emergencies of any type. For more information on preparedness go to www.ready.gov. Sign up for Nixle today. Text your zip code to 888777; or go to www.NIXLE.com.

Fun & Learning

Rita & Truett Smith Public Library

300 Country Club Road, Building 300
972-516-6250
www.WylieTexas.gov/library

Hours:		
	Mon., Tue. & Thurs.	Noon - 8 pm
	Wednesday	9 am - 6 pm
	Friday	11 am - 5 pm
	Saturday	9 am - 4 pm
	Sunday	Closed

All Events Are Free and Open to the Public

Storytime Days, Times and Ages

Books & Babies (ages 0-1); Fridays, 11 am; 20 minutes long

Toddler Time (ages 1-2); Wednesdays, 9 am & 9:45 am, Fridays 11:30 am

Big Kids (ages 3-5); Wednesdays 10:30 am & 11:15 am; Thursdays 1:30 pm

Family Storytime (all ages); Tuesdays, 6:30 pm; 30 minutes long

Week of September 23 - Autumn Has Arrived
Week of September 30 - Parades
Week of October 7 - Watch Out! Crocodiles and Alligators
Week of October 14 - Mythical Creatures
Week of October 21 - Bump in the Night
Week of October 28 - Happy Halloween (Come in Costume)

Teen Book Club, October 3, 5 pm

6th - 12th graders only. *Unwind* by Neal Shusterman.

Booked on Fridays, October 11, Noon - 1:30 pm

Bring your lunch the 2nd Friday of each month for fun reads and light conversation.

Fourth Monday Book Club, 6:30 pm, Adults 18 and up

October 28 - *The Sherlockian* by Graham Moore

Wagging Tales, Tuesdays, 3:30 pm - 4:15 pm

Practice reading aloud to Abby the Collie. Tickets are required and will be distributed on a first come basis the day of the program. Wagging Tales resumes September 10.

BeTween Book & Movie Club, 6 pm

4th and 5th graders are invited to talk about books and movies. Sign up at the children's desk for a free copy of the book. Snack Provided.

September 26 - *How to Train Your Dragon* by Cressida Cowell
October 31 - *Nim's Island* by Wendy Orr

My Very Own Book Club, 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm, Oct. 9 & 11

1st, 2nd and 3rd graders are invited to talk about books and make a craft. The first 40 kids to sign up receive a free copy of the book, *Room on the Broom* by Julia Donaldson.

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