

Wylie ARTS FESTIVAL

Saturday, December 5

10 am - 5 pm • FBC Wylie Event Center

(200 N. Ballard Avenue)

The City of Wylie and the Public Arts Advisory Board invite you to enjoy the sights and sounds of the holidays and get a jump on your Christmas shopping in Historic Downtown Wylie.

Over 100 Art & Handmade Craft Booths

- * Christmas Shopping
- * Festive Foods
- * Community Canvas
- * Inflatables
- * Entertainment
- * Pictures with Santa

Festival of Lights Christmas Parade, 7:30 pm

- * Parade down Ballard Avenue between Jefferson Street & Oak Street
- * Sponsored by First Baptist Wylie

Tree Lighting, Following Parade

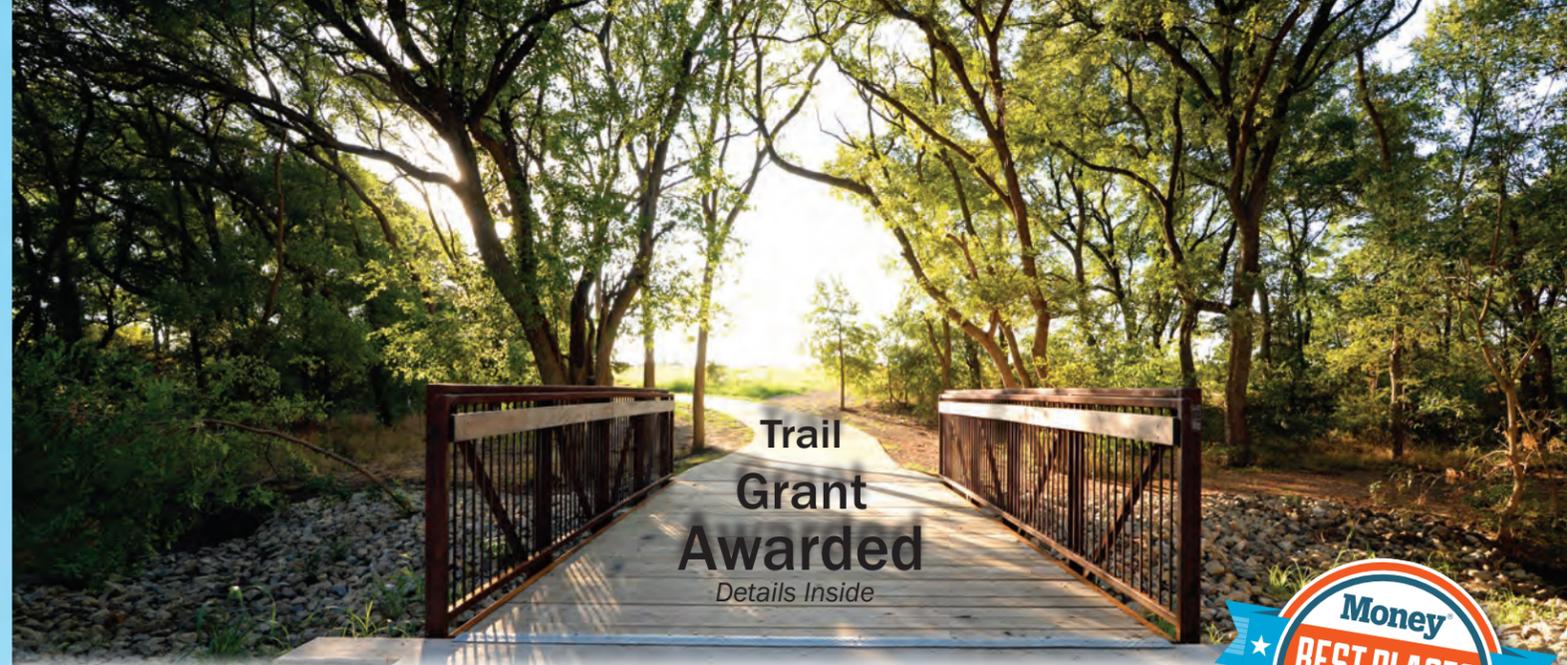
- * Night Before Christmas presented by Mayor Hogue
- * Choirs and Carolers



Wylie Economic Development Corporation

Trinity Title

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Trail Grant Awarded
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Boo on Ballard & Night of Wonder

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Lessons in Fire Prevention & Safety

A corny dad, an annoying little brother, and social media were all part of the Wylie Wild Bunch's fire safety show, "Hear the Beep While You Sleep." Wylie Fire Rescue presented the show to area elementary schools and day cares during the month of October.

In the action-packed, comedic show, three "tween" girls in wild wigs, pajamas and fluffy house shoes – played by Firefighters Brandon Storm, Brian Moriarty and Jeff Pynes – gather for a night of giggles and Facebook, but manage to learn and share some lessons on fire prevention and safety.

Cont. Inside, Wylie Wild Bunch





Wylie Wild Bunch Educates Students

Cont. from front: Dad, played by Firefighter Andrew Johnson (and so embarrassing in his suspenders and high-water pants), cautioned the girls about having too many cell phone chargers plugged into one outlet. They also discussed the importance of having a working smoke detector in every room, testing batteries every month, holding exit drills at home with an established outside meeting place, and how to “stop, drop and roll” if clothing should ever catch on fire. A favorite part of the annual presentation is the audience participation portion of the show. At Smith Elementary, teacher Amy Segrest, along with several boys and girls, took the stage with the firefighters to demonstrate how to properly drop to the floor, cover your face, and roll to put out the fire.



BOO ON BALLARD

Thousands converged on Ballard Avenue in historic downtown Wylie Oct. 29 for the Downtown Merchants Association’s Halloween tradition, Boo on Ballard.

Kids filled their bags with treats from more than 70 merchants and non-profit organizations lining the streets from Highway 78 to Brown Street. More candy could be found at First Baptist Wylie’s Trunk or Treat on Marble Avenue.

The event continues to expand to meet the growing crowds. Other activities for trick-or-treaters included the kids’ and dogs’ costume contest sponsored by the Smith Library, and Park and Rec’s Glow in the Park in Olde City Park featuring a play-in-the-foam pit, mechanical bull and zip line.

New this year, as part of Magic Week, street magicians performed among the crowds, mystifying members of the community with illusions.



One Night, Two Events Historic Downtown



Mayor Eric Hogue served as master of ceremonies for the first-ever Night of Wonder, held Oct. 29 following Boo on Ballard. Seven acts took the stage in a fast-paced night of family-friendly magic.

Ava Byers, the 9-year-old winner of the 2014 Junior Stage Competition with the Texas Association of Magicians, teamed up with Mayor Hogue to present tricks in between the other acts. Trigg Watson, 2015 Dallas Magician of the Year, kicked things off with a high-energy act. He was followed by Ian Richards, whose dry sense of humor, and the plunger on his head, delighted the audience.

Dal Sanders levitated a boy as part of his act, and David and Kylie Knight, a husband-and-wife team, stunned the audience with an amazing escape. Mike Squires presented some clever rope tricks and equally clever banter, and the evening ended with Fred and Bobbie Becker, a husband-and-wife act.

Wylie held National Magic Week Oct. 25 – 29, culminating with Night of Wonder.

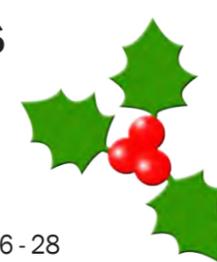
Holiday Closures

City Hall
November 26 & 27
December 24 & 25

Library
November 25 (Closes 5 pm); November 26 - 28
December 23 (Closes 5 pm); December 24 - 26

Recreation Center
November 26; November 27 (Closes 5 pm)
December 24 (Closes 5 pm); December 25

Senior Recreation Center
November 26 & 27
December 24 & 25



\$500,000 Grant Awarded

The City of Wylie was recently awarded a \$500,000 grant from the Collin County Parks and Open Space Program, to be used for 6,700 additional linear feet of 12-foot-wide concrete hike and bike trail in the East Meadow of the Wylie Municipal Complex. The East Meadow trail will connect with the trail that opened earlier this year, also funded by a Collin County Parks and Open Space grant. Together, they will form a loop of almost two miles.

Included will be a pedestrian bridge, parking lot off of Brown Street, solar trail lighting, litter receptacles, trail benches, and trail signage and markings.

Public Services Director Mike Sferra said he’s pleased that the city of Wylie will once again work in partnership with Collin County. “Our team looks forward to working with the county on enhancing the trail system.”



Water Restrictions

Landscape watering is limited to once per week on trash days
Nov. 1 - March 31.

Officials with the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) remind consumers that lawns in North Texas require very little to no supplemental watering during the fall and winter months. To maintain reservoir levels for next year’s water needs, NTMWD recommends consumers turn off irrigation systems and operate on manual mode, only as needed, from November through March.

More information and tips on water conservation can be found at www.WaterMyYard.org and www.WaterIQ.org