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Wylie Citizens Police Academy Graduates Seventh Class

Wylie, TX, Dec. 12, 2014 – Fourteen members of the Wylie community completed the 16-week Wylie Citizens Police Academy recently. The Wylie Police Department has been presenting the program since 2008; over 150 citizens have completed the course.

Officer Angie McIntosh with Wylie PD said the goals of the academy include fostering a positive relationship between the community and the police department through training. Students are exposed to the challenges and decisions faced daily by the police and participate in practical exercises designed to illustrate situations officers experience. Organizers hope class members will gain an understanding of the operations of the police department and develop an appreciation for its challenges.

Citizens Police Academy participants learn basic crime scene investigation; firearms safety while at a shooting range; pursuit driving with hands-on experience driving patrol vehicles; DWI investigation; and use-of-force instruction wearing a Redman suit, or a padded suit for defensive tactics training.

Those interested in participating in next year's program, which begins Aug. 27, 2015, at 7 pm, are asked to contact McIntosh at angie.mcintosh@wylietexas.gov or 972-442-8133.

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Courtesy photo

This year's Wylie Citizens Police Academy graduates are, back row from left, Carter Livingston, Zach Parnell, Katonya Johnson, Wendy Williamson, James High, Bud Mitchell, Bill Kane, front row, Erin Woody, Candy Cannon, Sarah Proctor, Shelia Patton, Monica Kane, Pat Mitchell and Bill Kane.

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About Wylie – Incorporated in 1887, the City of Wylie is located just 24 miles from downtown Dallas in Collin, Dallas and Rockwall counties. Possessing an outstanding school district, a low crime rate, an ISO #1 rating and an expanding business climate, Wylie (population 44,158) is one of the fastest-growing communities in the State of Texas with a 192% increase since 2000.