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Wylie First Responders Honored at State Level

Wylie, TX, July 21, 2015 – City of Wylie Firefighters John Hunt and Michael Towne have been named Texas’ Firefighter and Emergency Medical Technician of the Year respectively by the American Legion Department of Texas.

The two were nominated by American Legion Hale-Combest Post 315 Wylie, Texas. Wylie Police Officer Angie McIntosh was nominated for Law Enforcement Officer of the Year by the local post. Towne and Hunt progressed to the district level, then to the state level, where they took the top honor.

At the July 14 Wylie City Council meeting, Mary Lange, historian of the Wylie post, presented Towne and McIntosh with certificates commemorating their honor.

Towne and Hunt will be recognized at the Department of Texas Midwinter Conference in Austin, slated for January 2016.

Photo by Judy Truesdell

Mary Lange, left, with American Legion Hale-Combest Post 315 Wylie, Texas, presented Wylie Firefighter/Paramedic Michael Towne and Wylie Police Officer Angie McIntosh with certificates at the July 14 council meeting. The two, along with Firefighter John Hunt, were chosen as the local post’s outstanding members of their departments.

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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 44,938) is one of the fastest-growing communities in the state of Texas with a 197-percent increase since 2000.