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**PRESS RELEASE**

## **Smith Library Plans Costume Contest, Halloween Fun**

**Wylie, Texas, Oct. 5, 2017** – Wylie’s Smith Public Library is scaring up some Halloween activities and celebrations for kids and adults.

The Friends of the Library Costume Contest fundraiser will be from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 24. The \$1 entry fee per person goes to benefit the library. Judging for the costume contest starts at 6 p.m. with the infants, toddlers and big kids categories. Judging for tweens/teens and adults is at 6:30 p.m. Prizes will be awarded for each of the five groups.

The Big Pumpkin Puppet Show will be presented (instead of Family Story Time) at 5:30, 5:50, 6:10 and 6:30 p.m. Admission to the puppet show is free, but tickets must be picked up at the children’s desk beginning at 4:30 p.m. the day of the show.

Kids are invited to trick-or-treat at the reference desks, and there will be a Halloween-themed scavenger hunt between 5:30 and 7 p.m.

For more information about any of these events, visit [WylieTexas.gov/library](http://WylieTexas.gov/library) or call 972-516-6250, option 3. The library is located in the Wylie Municipal Complex at 300 Country Club Rd., Bldg. 300.

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About Smith Library – Founded in 1970 by Rita and Truett Smith, the library serves the informational, cultural and recreational needs of the over 44,938 Wylie residents. In 2014, the library checked out over 500,000 items and hosted almost 190,000 visitors. More than 35,000 citizens have library cards, and the library offers 459 programs, attended last year by over 25,000 participants. Wylie was incorporated in 1887 and is home to an outstanding school district, a low crime rate, and an ISO-1 fire rating. One of the fastest-growing communities in the state, Wylie has had a 220-percent increase since 2000. Realtor.com named Wylie the second hottest suburb in the country in February 2017. In 2015, Wylie was named the 20<sup>th</sup> Best Place to Live in the Country by *Money Magazine* in 2017, and the 25<sup>th</sup> best in 2015.