

WYLIE

Bluegrass festival returns

SUBMITTED STORY

The Wylie Downtown Merchants Association and the city of Wylie present the third annual Bluegrass on Ballard in historic downtown Wylie. This year's festival, set for June 27, promises to be even bigger and better than last year's, which brought thousands of citizens and visitors from throughout the state.

The free event begins at 10 a.m. with arts and crafts in Olde City Park, sponsored by the city of Wylie Public Arts Board, and the American Legion's Chili Cook-Off. Dallas Mopar Club's 200-vehicle car show goes from 4 to 9 p.m., and the North Texas Equestrian Center presents pony rides for the kids from 5 to 8 p.m.

Music is the star of the event; starting at 3 p.m., this year's lineup includes top bluegrass bands Joe Mullins & The Radio Ramblers; Texas & Tennessee, featuring Steve Huber and John R. Bowman; Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Bluegrass Band; Phil Ferguson & Texas True; In Achordance; and Bobby Giles & Music Mountain. Bring a lawn chair and plan to stay all evening.

PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

- 3 to 3:45 p.m. — Phil Ferguson & Texas True
- 3:55 to 4:40 p.m. — Bobby Giles & Music Mountain
- 5 to 5:45 p.m. — In Achordance
- 5:55 to 6:40 p.m. — Texas & Tennessee
- 7 to 8:15 p.m. — Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Bluegrass Band
- 8:30 to 9:45 p.m. — Joe Mullins & The Radio Ramblers

In addition to a variety of food vendors, Ballard Avenue restaurants and shops will be open for business.

Musicians of all skill levels are invited to bring their instruments downtown and pick and jam with other musicians.

For more information, visit wylitexas.gov/bluegrass or call 972-516-6016.

Information provided by Judy Truesdell on behalf of the City of Wylie.



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