## Library Hosts Harry Potter's Birthday Party

**WHAT:** Wylie's Smith Library is hosting a free celebration in honor of Harry Potter's birthday, with a costume contest, new games, scavenger hunt, and prizes.

**WHEN:** Friday, July 27
2 to 4 p.m. (costume contest at 3 p.m.)

**WHO:** All are welcome, but activities are geared toward third- through eighth-graders. Everyone is encouraged to dress as a favorite character for a costume contest at 3 p.m. Muggles, witches and wizards all have a chance to get sorted into their Hogwarts house by the Sorting Hat, they will visit Ollivander's Wand Shop, where a wand will choose them, and they can try their luck at a potions quiz. The Blackland Prairie Raptor Center will be on hand to transform the Storytime room into an "owlery" where kids can send a birthday card to Harry or Neville. Games include Pin the Sock on Dobby, Don't Drop the Snitch Obstacle Course, and Guess the Number of Bertie Botts Every Flavor Beans In a Jar.  (Grand prize for the guessing game is two tickets to LeakyCon, huge, sold-out Harry Potter fan convention in Dallas Aug. 10-12).

**WHERE:** Smith Public Library
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