



TRAVIS COUNTY TRIUMPH

Miss Travis County Margana Wood was named the New Miss Texas at the Eisemann Center recently, making one of her first public appearances as Miss Texas at Richardson's Family 4th Celebration. Wood is a recent graduate of UT at Austin, and will represent Texas in the Miss America Pageant on September 10.

COURTESY: CITY OF RICHARDSON. PHOTO: BLUDOOR STUDIOS/CITY OF RICHARDSON



NIGHT OUT NEARS

Wylie once again preps for its annual **National Night Out** celebration in Olde City Park, in Historic Downtown Wylie. The event will run from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, October 3. The Wylie PD hosts, with public safety displays and activities, free hot dogs, cotton candy, popcorn, bounce houses, a barrel train, pony rides, and much more. A brief fireworks finale is also included at evening's end.

Pictured: Mini Ranger fan Dominick Meaders looks on as Amy Moss introduces Hudson, her son, to Finch, a rescue dog with Lone Star Search and Rescue, at last year's National Night Out.

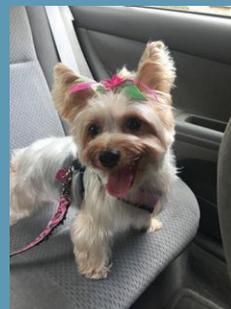
COURTESY: JUDY TRUESDELL/CITY OF WYLIE. PHOTO: CRAIG KELLY



WHO'S THE BEST?

Still got a copy of last month's issue around? Though it'll be a great resource for you to locate the best in your community for the year ahead, did you know you can also view our lists of Living Magazine's Best Of Readers' Choice winners online? Just head to LivingMagazine.net/2017-best-of-winners and see who won in your community!

READER PET



AFFABLE ASPEN

"She's my sweet girl," says owner Debbie of her pretty dog named Aspen. Though it's hard to imagine getting to the slopes in this warm weather, she looks energetic enough to be ready for the occasion. Thanks for sending the pic of your delightful doggie!

- Debbie V.

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SEPTEMBER 14 NORTH TEXAS GIVING DAY

After eight years of growth on North Texas Giving Day, this year's event returns with new twists: scheduled giving in the week run-up to North Texas Giving Day and nonprofits generating their own matching funds to help stretch donor dollars even further. Can North Texas Giving Day set a new record? Find out more online.

NorthTexasGivingDay.org

NOW THROUGH JANUARY 15

TEXAS SHORT STORY CONTEST FOR GRADES 6-12

A new short story writing contest for students, grades 6-12, is now accepting entries. The contest is sponsored by Texas Authors Institute of History, which is dedicated to preserving the works of Texas authors. Part of their mission is to develop and encourage future authors of Texas. Students can find the official rules and entry form online.

ShortStory.TexasAuthors.Institute

SEPTEMBER 2-4

LABOR DAY WEEKEND AT THE DALLAS ARBORETUM

Kick off Labor Day weekend at the Dallas Arboretum with live music, food trucks, wine samplings, \$2 hot dogs and root beer floats, jumbo lawn games, and giant bubbles. Cool off in the Palmer Fern Dell, picnic in the shaded Pecan Grove, splash around in Toad Corners, or in the entry plaza fountains. Get tickets online.

DallasArboretum.org

SEPTEMBER 11

YOUNG AT HEART: 55+ EXCEEDING THE LIMIT

Make plans to attend this fun workshop as part of an educational series for seniors. A variety of topics range from vegetable gardening and music to history and more. This month will feature an old fashioned ice cream social followed by a concert by acclaimed music group, Men of Note.

The program begins at 11:30 a.m.

[Plano Heritage Farmstead Museum, Young House HeritageFarmstead.org](http://PlanoHeritageFarmsteadMuseum,YoungHouseHeritageFarmstead.org)

SEPTEMBER 14-17

ADDISON OKTOBERFEST

You can find a true taste of Bavaria at Addison Oktoberfest, the most authentic Oktoberfest experience in North America. Get a commemorative stein, come for the keg tapping, bring the whole family, and celebrate like a VIP. Find out more online.

[Addison Circle Park AddisonOktoberfest.com](http://AddisonCircleParkAddisonOktoberfest.com)

SEPTEMBER 16

PINTS & POSES

Enjoy a 60 minute, all-level yoga class, 1 craft beer, a take-home brewery glass, mini-massages, and special discount shopping from local pop-up shops. The event takes place every third Saturday of the month from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and is \$20. Sign up online and receive a swag bag at the event.

[Four Bullets Brewery, Richardson, DBYoga.com](http://FourBulletsBrewery,Richardson,DBYoga.com)

OCTOBER 3

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Wylie Police Department will host their annual National Night Out celebration from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Activities include public safety displays, free hot dogs, cotton candy, popcorn, snow cones, drinks, bounce houses, a barrel train, pony rides, face painting, a helicopter landing, Back the Blue stickers, and fireworks.

[Olde City Park, Historic Downtown Wylie, WylieTexas.gov](http://OldeCityPark,HistoricDowntownWylie,WylieTexas.gov)

OCTOBER 6-8

CAF WINGS OVER DALLAS WWII AIRSHOW

More than eighty WWII-era aircraft are set to participate in this airshow, which has been held for more than 30 years in Dallas. This year will be bigger and better than ever featuring WWII aircraft, aerial activities, living history reenactments, and military vehicles. Find out more online.

[Dallas Executive Airport, WingsOverDallas.org](http://DallasExecutiveAirport,WingsOverDallas.org)



SEPTEMBER 8-10 34TH ANNUAL TEXAS HOME & GARDEN SHOW

Give your home and garden a fresh face this fall! Explore the latest indoor and outdoor trends and solutions with hundreds of companies from across the Lone Star State. Homeowners will enjoy a convenient, one-stop shopping experience to help inspire and make home and gardening renovations an easy, pain-free process.

[Dallas Market Hall, TexasHomeAndGarden.com](http://DallasMarketHall,TexasHomeAndGarden.com)