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**SATURDAY, JULY 5**  
HISTORIC DOWNTOWN WYLIE ON BALLARD AVENUE

**CLASSIC CAR SHOW** 4 pm - 9 pm  
**MUSIC** 3 pm - 10 pm  
**ARTS & CRAFTS** 10 am - 8 pm

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BEST BET: SATURDAY, JULY 5



**THESE TWO COUPLES WENT TO ITALY** — 8 p.m. at Rover Dramawerks, 221 W. Parker Road, Suite 580, in Plano. When Janet and Carl from Indiana meet up with Marie and Tom from New York while vacationing in Italy, each couple is ruthlessly competing to be the best traveler, with hilariously disastrous results. Admission to the premiere of this show Thursday is \$10 online or at the door. The show runs Thursdays through Saturdays, through July 19. Tickets are \$16 for Thursday shows and \$20 for Friday and Saturday performances. Visit [roverdramawerks.com](http://roverdramawerks.com) for more information.

**EVIL DEAD THE MUSICAL** — 8:30 p.m. at ArtCenter Theatre, 5220 Village Creek Drive in Plano. Inspired by the cult classic film of the 1980s, this musical entertains with a wild combination of blood, gore, comedy and rapid-fire one-liners. The story follows five college students that go to an abandoned cabin in the woods and accidentally unleash an evil force that turns them all into demons. Cosplay is encouraged and the show is BYOB. Performances are scheduled through July 13. Tickets cost \$15 to \$20. Visit [artcentertheatre.com](http://artcentertheatre.com) or call 214-810-3228 for tickets.

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FRIDAY

**FOURTH OF JULY** — City offices are closed for Independence Day. For a list of local fireworks shows and other Fourth of July events, see **Page 9**.

**INDEPENDENCE DAY SWIM** — noon to 6 p.m. at The Texas Pool, 901 Springbrook Drive in Plano. The community is invited to celebrate the holiday at The Texas Pool, with swimming, a cannonball contest, water games and hot dogs on the grill. Guests can bring in food and non-alcoholic drinks or purchase snacks and drinks on-site. The cost is \$5 for non-members and free for members, veterans and active military with ID.

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SATURDAY

**COLLIN COUNTY FARMERS MARKET** — 9 a.m. to 1p.m. at Fairview Farms Marketplace, 3314 Central Expressway in Plano. Farm-fresh eggs, produce, meats



**BLUEGRASS ON BALLARD** — 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. at Ballard Avenue in historic downtown Wylie. This free festival will feature music, a car show, arts and crafts, and food. Bluegrass bands slated to perform include Danny Paisley and the Southern Grass, Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Bluegrass Band, Brad Davis (performing with Texas & Tennessee) and Purple Hulls. Visit [wylietetexas.gov](http://wylietetexas.gov) for more information.

and fruits will be available from multiple vendors every Saturday through Nov. 1.

**PETER PAN** — 1p.m. at ArtCenter Theatre, 5220 Village Creek Drive in Plano. Young performers will act out a favorite for everyone who never wants to grow up. Come see Wendy, Peter, the Lost Boys and the evil Captain Hook in this classic. Performances are scheduled through July 13. Tickets are \$15. Visit [artcentertheatre.com](http://artcentertheatre.com) for more information.

Library, 2501 Coit Road in Plano. Both American and Chinese Mah Jong sets will be provided. Participants are welcome to bring their own sets to share. This is a come-and-go event for ages 8 and up. The event is free.

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SUNDAY

**TASTE OF MAH JONG** — 2 p.m. at Haggard



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and Plano Parkway



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