



City of Kyle e-Newsletter

Spring forward this Sunday! Daylight Savings Time begins at 2 a.m. March 13. It's also a good time to check smoke detectors and replace batteries.

This weekly e-Newsletter contains useful information about events and happenings in the City of Kyle. To subscribe, simply [click here](#) and put Kyle Newsletter in the subject line to be added to the distribution list.

Women's History Month

March is the official month for recognizing important women in history. This year's theme is "Working to Form a More Perfect Union: Honoring Women in Public Service and Government".



Here in Kyle, we have our very own historic female, Mary Kyle Hartsen. From 1901 to 1925, she served as the city's postmistress.

She then served as mayor from 1937 until 1941. She served as mayor again from 1944 until 1946.

During her final term, Hartsen served on an all woman council that made "Ripley's Believe it or Not." She was the only female mayor in Texas at the time.

Hartsen is the daughter Fergus Kyle, for whom the town was

named in the mid 1800s, according to the Texas State Historical Association.

On May 10, 1937, in its issue for this day, *Life* magazine wrote about Hartsen, who was elected when she was a 72-year-old great-grandmother.

During Hartsen's mayoralty, the town built a municipal water system, installed street lights, updated the fire department, and kept the city clean.

Of her administration she was quoted as saying, "We balanced the budget, and cleaned up the town. Then when everything was under control, I retired."



Learn more at: www.nwhp.org/womens-history-month/2016-theme/

Upcoming Public Meetings at City Hall

Kyle City Council Meeting
Tuesday, March 15, 2016, at 7 p.m.

[Watch live or later.](#) Or read the [recap.](#)

Stay Connected to your city:

Find meetings, events and news at www.cityofkyle.com

Don't forget to like us on [Facebook](#) and follow us on [Twitter](#) for the most accurate, up-to-date information about Kyle. We now have pics on Instagram, too!



Kyle Road Bond Updates

Lots of work is happening on the 2013 road bond projects – even if you can't see it yet. Easements, utilities and engineering plans are just a few examples.

For more information visit:

www.cityofkyle.com.

Events & Happenings

Kyle Library Porch Party

We're so excited about Spring Break we're throwing a party! Join us from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. March 15 for our Spring Break Porch Party. Come make spring crafts and enjoy tasty snow cones with your friends. All ages welcome.

Spring Break Clean & Green Fun Fest

Looking for something fun and rewarding to do during Spring Break? Join the Kyle PARD "Clean & Green Fun Fest"! First help with a creek cleanup. Then enjoy vendors, food and a free movie. Takes place beginning at 5:30 p.m. March 19 at Lake Kyle. Movie starts about 30 minutes after sunset.

Author visit and signing

Join the Kyle Library for an author visit and signing with award-winning author and illustrator Jeff Crosby.

Jeff will talk about his book "Wiener Wolf," which was selected for the Texas 2X2 Book List and the Arkansas Diamond Primary Book Award. The author will sign copies of his book after the presentation. All ages are welcome! Takes place beginning at 1 p.m. March 19.

Easter Eggstravaganza

Join Kyle PARD for age-specific egg hunts, carnival games, inflatables and food vendors. Bring the camera for free photos with the Easter Bunny! Takes place from 5-8 p.m. March 23 at Gregg-Clarke Park in Kyle.

Youth Quidditch clinic in Kyle

Yes, this is the game they played in Harry Potter! Youth ages 7-12 can participate in this Quidditch clinic with the players from Texas State University's team. The \$10 fee includes instruction and equipment. Takes place May 14 at Gregg-Clarke Park in Kyle. Learn more and register at www.cityofkyle.com.

Annexation

The City of Kyle recently began annexation procedures for a portion of land located in Kyle's extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ). Property owners inside the proposed annexation area received their notice of annexation via certified letter in February.

Property owners slated for annexation who currently qualify for a state tax exemption for certain land uses are eligible to enter into a development agreement with the city to conditionally exempt their property from annexation.



Should you wish to exempt your property from full annexation, make your request known by March 25.

Visit www.cityofkyle.com to learn more. **Note:** There is a public hearing at the March 15 Kyle City Council meeting regarding the annexation.

Kyle's pilot transportation program

Need a ride to doctor appointments, shopping, beauty salon trips and other errands around Kyle and beyond? Through an agreement with Kyle/Buda Taxi, Kyle residents have a new option beginning March 15.



The City of Kyle's new pilot transportation program will offer rides to local residents on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The service is available to anyone residing within the city limits.

Contact Kyle/Buda Taxi at 512-902-2272 one day in advance to reserve a seat. A taxi will pick up riders at their home address in the morning and return them to that same address in the afternoon.

Visit www.cityofkyle.com to learn more about the program including pricing and other information.

Build your future in Kyle

Our city is growing, no doubt. With growth comes the need for more services and more staff to deliver those services to our customers.

Are you the right candidate for one of the many positions we have to fill? Click [here](#) for listings.



We also invite you to check out the [new recruitment video](#) from the City of Kyle.

Enjoy and let us know what you think!

We can't bear those bare walls

Don't let those empty walls at Kyle City Hall and Kyle Public Library go one more day without a reason to smile. Submit your works of art to "Art the Halls" and help beautify Kyle.

Click below to learn more:

