



City of Kyle e-Newsletter

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Be Sewer Savvy

Part I: Don't flush that wipe

What's in that sewer? You'd be surprised. What those who live and work in Kyle put down in the sewer has as much to do with the efficiency of the wastewater system as the work done by our technicians at the plant.

That's why the City of Kyle is kicking off "Be Sewer Savvy," to educate folks about how to keep the sewers safe and the wastewater plant operating efficiently

On Oct. 1, ownership of the city's wastewater plant reverted back to Kyle. Previously, Aqua Texas operated the plant for the city.

Kyle's Division Manager - Treatment Operations, Jason Biemer, said one of his goals is reducing the number of wipes (cleaning, baby, toilet) that end up in the system.

"Wipes are made of a stronger fiber unlike toilet paper, which is designed to dissolve in water," he said. "Wipes also get caught in our machinery, causing damage and inefficiency."

Biemer conducted a test recently to illustrate how the wipes get caught up in equipment while toilet paper breaks up into small particles.

While some packages say wipes are flushable, Biemer said the problem doesn't happen there. Learn why, along with more about how you can "Be Sewer Savvy" at www.cityofkyle.com.

Next up: Fats, oils and grease in the sewer: it's no good.



Putting wipes in the sewer can cause inefficiency and even damage to the city's wastewater system. Be sewer savvy and toss those wipes in the trash.

Upcoming Public Meetings at City Hall

Kyle City Council Meeting
Tuesday, Dec. 1 at 7 p.m.

Comprehensive Plan Mid-Term Update public input meeting
Thursday, Dec. 3 at 6:30 p.m.

Can't make a meeting?
Kyle City Council meetings are [Streamed Live on the Internet](#)

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Kyle Road Bond Updates

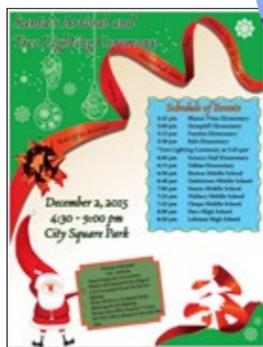
What's happening with the 2013 Kyle road bond program? Get the scoop at www.cityofkyle.com

Events around Kyle

Christmas decorations now?

Yes - because the big guy in red is almost here! Come welcome the season at Kyle's annual Santa's Arrival & Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Visitors will enjoy performances from local school choirs. There are also free kids activities and crafts. Bring your camera for photos with Santa! The event takes place beginning at 4:30 p.m. Dec. 2 at City Square Park on the grounds of Historic Kyle City Hall. See www.cityofkyle.com for event details.



Kyle Parks & Rec crews are starting to build the Christmas tree in City Square Park.

Holidays around the World

Kick off the Holiday season with a celebration of world cultures through music, performance art, and storytelling performed by storyteller Elizabeth Kahura. This free all-age event takes place at 11 a.m. Dec. 5 at Kyle Public Library.

Diocesan Celebration Parade

Families will be in a parade beginning at 9:30 a.m. Dec. 5. The route begins at Negley Elementary and ends at St. Anthony's Catholic Church on N. Burleson. Roads will not be closed; please exercise caution.

Reservists give bosses a lift

Being a military reservist can be challenging for those with civilian jobs. But an understanding supervisor and a supportive organization make it easier.

Just ask IT Technician Danielle Harvey, who joined the U.S. Air Force in 2007. She served a seven-month tour in Iraq.

In 2013, she separated from the active duty Air Force due to a clash in family and career responsibilities but joined the Air Force Reserves. She is a Staff Sergeant (SSgt/E-5) for the 26th Aerial Port Squadron at Joint Base Lackland in San Antonio.

To thank the city for its support of her reservist career, Harvey nominated IT Director Robert Olvera, Chief of Staff Jerry Hendrix and City Manager Scott Sellers for

"Boss Lift."

The program transports selected bosses from San Antonio to Florida on a C-5A Galaxy Air Force plane.

The overnight trip was a way of saying thanks to employers who allow their staff to serve in the military reserve with their full support and flexibility.

"The professionalism and the genuine sense of duty our reservists have for our country, and for each other, was amazing and makes me even prouder to have been a part of it," Hendrix said.

Sellers said, "It was a once in a lifetime opportunity."

Harvey said she was thrilled that two City of Kyle employees were able to take part in Boss Lift.

"I take great pride in serving my country as well as my local community as a City of Kyle employee. I greatly appreciate the support from my co-workers and superiors in allowing me to balance my two career paths."



Kyle City Manager Scott Sellers (above) and Chief of Staff Jerry Hendrix participated in the Boss Lift program, thanks to a nomination by Kyle IT Tech and Air Force Reserve Staff Sgt. Danielle Harvey (inset). See more photos at www.cityofkyle.com.

Citizen Police

Elissa Davis graduated from the most recent Kyle Citizens Police Academy. But she almost didn't join.

"It's probably not going to be that exciting," she recalled thinking when she heard about the class. Then she learned about the ride along and the gun range outing. "That sounds fun and interesting," she said to herself.

About half way through the 12-week

program (it meets weekly), she said she already had a different perspective about police officers.



Read the full story to learn more about Elissa's experience at www.cityofkyle.com. The next KCPA class begins in the spring. Contact jplant@cityofkyle.com for more information.

"Now I see them as people with children and a sense of humor," she said.

Davis added that she has even more respect for officers than before.

"They never know what they'll experience in a given day," she said. "They're doing important work."

Davis hopes other Kyle residents take the KCPA class.

"We're unaware of all the work they're doing keeping the city safe," she said.

KPD Recruitment Open House Families welcome!

Is a career in law enforcement is right for you? Attend the Kyle Police Department Open House to find out.

James Plant has been with KPD for 7 years. "I've worked for other departments," he said. "Kyle is where I want to be."

With competitive pay, good benefits and a welcoming work atmosphere, Kyle is a great place to build your future.

We encourage families to attend the open house. The police chief along with several officers and their spouses will be available to answer questions.

Takes place from 9-11 a.m. Dec. 12 at 111 S. Front St. in Kyle. Light refreshments will be served. (Sorry, no donuts.) RSVP jplant@cityofkyle.com. Walk-ins welcome!

