



City of Kyle E-NEWSLETTER



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I love a parade

Celebrate the founding of Kyle at this Saturday's Founder's Day Parade! This tradition has been happening in Kyle for a long time. (Check out the photo of a long ago parade!)

Keep the fun going after the parade - stop by the City Square Park grounds for a slice of birthday cake.

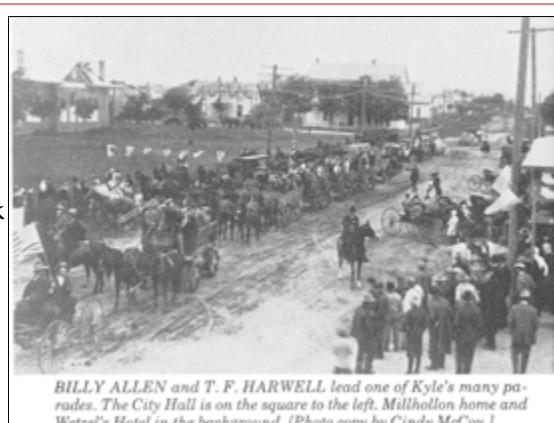
Then stick around for a Market Days encore event. You may even find some great holiday gift ideas.

The Founders' Day Parade begins at 10 a.m. Oct. 17 at Gregg-Clarke Park on Center Street.

If you or your group is in the parade, set up and staging begins at the park at 9:30 a.m.

A little history

The City of Kyle was founded in 1880 by nearby settlers from the communities of Blanco and



BILLY ALLEN and T. F. HARWELL lead one of Kyle's many parades. The City Hall is on the square to the left. Milhollon home and Wetzel's Hotel in the background. [Photo copy by Cindy McCoy.]

Mountain City.

Fergus Kyle, for whom the town was named, and the family of David Moore donated 200 acres of land for a town site when the International and Great Northern Railroad built a line from Austin to San Antonio. Lots were first sold in October 1880 at an auction held beneath a Live Oak tree at 204 Sledge Street. And thus the rich history and tradition of Kyle began.



Fergus Kyle

Upcoming Public Meetings at City Hall

Kyle Parks & Recreation Board Meeting
Monday, Oct. 19 at 7 p.m.

Kyle City Council Meeting
Tuesday, Oct. 20 at 7 p.m.

Kyle City Council Meeting
Wednesday, Nov. 4 at 7 p.m.

Can't make a meeting?

Kyle City Council meetings are [Streamed Live on the Internet](#)

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Street study

Complaints about road issues are fairly routine for any city. But with only a certain dollar amount allocated for ongoing repairs and maintenance, how does Kyle prioritize those dollars?

One way is the pavement assessment that took place this week. As directed by Kyle City Council, staff hired contractors to provide an evaluation of existing road surface conditions.

Civil Engineering Consultants (CEC) headed up the study, with the help of Applied Research Associates (ARA).

Vehicles equipped with video cameras pointed down, along with one forward facing camera, drove on about 132 miles of roadway.

The only city roads not included in the study are those in the 2013

road bond program approved by Kyle voters: Bunton, Goforth, Lehman and Burluson.

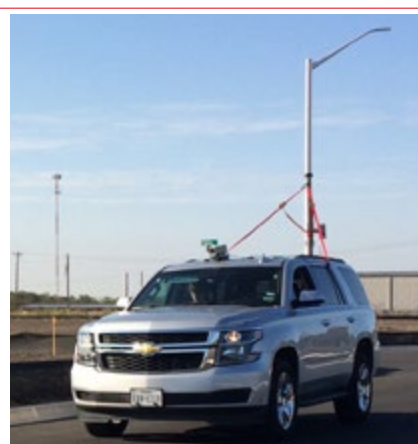
According to Greg Larson, a software engineer with ARA, the time of day makes a difference in the data collection.

In the early part of the morning, "If we go east, the sun creates too much of a shadow on the road, which can affect the accuracy of the assessment," he said.

Linked with GPS technology, the camera captured images of roads about every 30 feet. Those images are then input into proprietary software for analysis.

Roads will be evaluated based on pavement condition - the contractor reviews everything from cracks, to pot holes and the riding condition.

This gives council and staff an objective way to determine road



Video and GPS equipment captured pictures of Kyle roads recently. It's part of the city's pavement assessment.

maintenance and repair priorities. The report should be ready in early spring.

Special thanks to Steve Clamons in Planning for creating the maps needed to make this study happen.

If that sounds fishy, it is!

Q: How does dropping about 80 tons of rocks into Lake Kyle help the fish, and equally important, anglers who fish there?

A: Those rocks create an enhanced habitat area for spawning - that's where fish lay their eggs. The rocks, which are near the shoreline, create sites for sunfish nesting colonies.



TPWD put 80 tons of rock in Lake Kyle, creating a spawning area for sunfish.

These areas along the shore will also attract more fish, giving anglers a better opportunity to catch them.

The short-term goal with this project is to improve the breeding of sunfish. But the gravel beds are just one part of a larger plan to provide a diversified quality fishing experience for anglers.

Lake Kyle is a joint project of the City of Kyle Parks and Recreation Department (PARC) and the Texas Parks & Wildlife (TPWD).

Read the longer version of this story at www.cityofkyle.com.

Congrats!



The City of Kyle's award winning Parks & Recreation Department recently learned it won a Bronze Award from the Texas Amateur Athletic Federation (TAAF).

This award is to recognize the support PARC provides to TAAF.

Kyle's PARC leads several sports activities for the community including youth basketball and adult kickball.

Roll up your sleeve and donate

Kyle is hosting a blood drive from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Nov. 5 at Historic Kyle City Hall. Employees and members of the community can sign up to donate. Must be 17 with a valid I.D. Eat before your appointment.

[Sign up online here.](#)

Questions?

Contact Kristiana Spencer via email kspencer@cityofkyle.com.



Events

Date to Bait

Learn more about this Eagle Scout project and plan your fire Antelope game plan for the weekend of Oct. 23. www.kyledatetobait.com

Downtown Halloween Treat Trail

A safe Trick-or-Treat event for the whole family. Takes place from 1-4 p.m. at City "Scare" Park (near Historic Kyle City Hall) Oct. 31. Enter the costume contest by age group: 0 to 3, 4-6, 7-10, 11-14, 15 & up. Don't miss this scary good time!



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