



A TIME FOR WARM HEARTS AND HOT GUTS

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THE BEST LITTLE PIG GIG IN TEXAS

Elgin, Texas. - The Sausage Capital of Texas outdoes itself once again with the 31st Annual Hogeye Festival, celebrating in a small town with a huge appetite for family fun and a tremendous spirit for honoring pigs. Thursday 5-9pm, Friday 8pm to midnight and Saturday 10am-6pm.

Thursday, October 25, Hogeye Stroll from 5 to 9 with the Hogalicious Dessert Contest and the Pearls Before Swine Art Show, Friday October 26 from 8pm to midnight enjoy the free Hogeye Street Dance with Ken Orts and No Chance on Depot Street. Saturday, October 27 from 10:00a.m. until 6:00p.m. The free festival features live music and entertainment on three stages, handmade arts and crafts, children's activities, a children's costume pet parade, a carnival, Road Hog Car Show, BBQ Pork Cook-Off, Hogalicious Dessert Contest, Cow Patty Bingo, the Pearls Before Swine Art Show, and great festive food! Free Festival Shuttle available at the Hwy 95 North Park and Ride.

What sets this festival apart from so many others is the combination of humor and history. The day begins with the **Elgin Sowpremes**, our infamous singing group, riding in on "hogs" (Harleys) to serenade the crowd with porky tunes. It sets the stage for a day filled with **pig puns**, eating sausage on a stick with an appreciation of the real deal, admiring and acquiring handmade arts and crafts, and enjoying the great tunes by **local musicians on three stages. Find yourself hanging out on Main Street, a National Register Historic District, with the other little piglets hamming it up.** This is a day filled with community spirit and piggy pride, and a unique Texas festival experience that should not be missed.

Elgin is located 19 miles east of Austin on Hwy 290. The Hogeye Festival is sponsored by the Elgin Main Street Board, an organization supporting downtown revitalization, the City of Elgin, and underwritten by area businesses. Proceeds from the festival go toward downtown improvement projects ranging from new sidewalks, to beautification. **Elgin is a Texas Main Street City** and has been recognized by the National Trust for Historic Preservation as a National Main Street Community since 1999. **Over the past 28 years more than \$18 million has been reinvested in Elgin's downtown district as a Texas Main Street City!! Festival information: www.hogeyefestival.com**

About Elgin, Texas

Located 30 minutes east of Austin at the gateway to Central Texas, Elgin is an affordable, business-friendly community with historic roots and progressive leadership. Long known for its famous hot sausage, Elgin has a budding farm-to-table industry where food is grown and processed locally. Elgin also offers great opportunities for businesses seeking a talented workforce, a revitalized downtown district, and locations near highways and rail for accessibility and distribution throughout Central Texas and beyond. For more information, visit elginedc.com or www.elgintx.com

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