Foundation Lands Actor To Speak At Dinner

Ty O’Neal McClary, who starred in the movies D2: Mighty Ducks and D3: Mighty Ducks, will be the guest speaker at the annual “We Are Wylie” Dinner in October.

McClary, whose stage name is Ty O’Neal, was a 14-year-old Wylie student when he filmed the first of his two Mighty Ducks movies. He played a Cowboy hockey player from Texas in the movie and reprised the role in the follow-up movie.

He graduated from Wylie in 1996 and appeared in The Postman with Kevin Costner in 1997. He also had a role in American Outlaws in 2001 with Colin Farrell and has had several other movie roles. He also appeared in two television shows, and he played a bull rider in a Holiday Inn Express commercial.

Today, McClary and his wife, Christie, raise and train quarter horses in Sanger and travel on the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association rodeo circuit. They were in Abilene a year ago when his wife competed in a rodeo here.

The “We Are Wylie” Dinner is the annual fundraiser for the Wylie Bulldogs Education Foundation. This year’s dinner will be Oct. 9 at 7 p.m.

This will be the fifth year for the dinner. Previous speakers have included chef Ben Starr, comedian Clinton Pickens and Afghanistan veteran Blake Harruff. In addition, the Country and Western band Mark Powell and Lariat performed at one of the dinners. All are Wylie graduates. Last year, a group of Wylie graduates performed, led by Luke McMillan and Jason Holloway.

For information on how to reserve a seat or sponsor a table at the dinner, go to the foundation website at www.WylieBulldogsEducationFoundation.com. The foundation supports the Wylie schools in a variety of ways, such as offering grants to teachers and scholarships to deserving students.