

Library Services Update

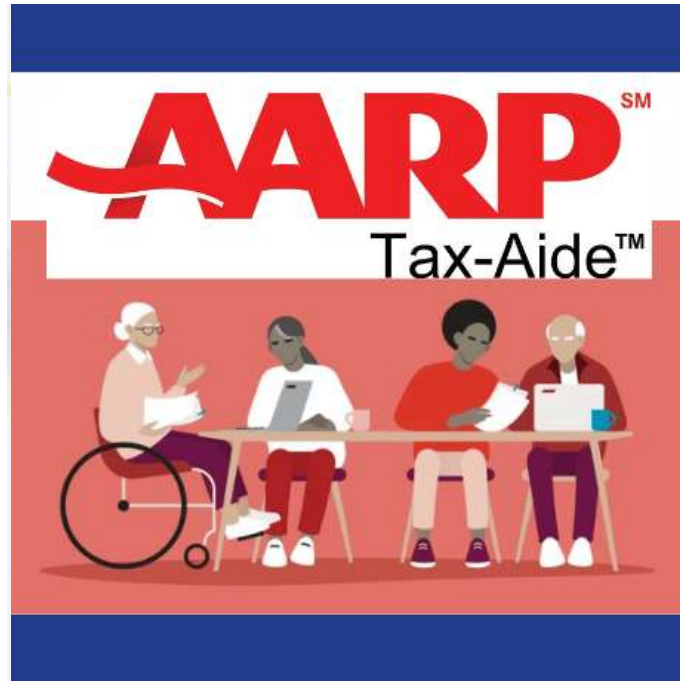
February – July 2025

Library Advisory Board

August 26, 2025



Program Highlights



AARP Tax-Aide: 502



Top fan
Amber St Romain
Thank you for helping our snake 🐍 stuffies and penguins 🐧 feel better! 🍷
Our girls had a blast 🌟

Stuffie Vet Clinic: 148



Bandi Potter
We (Sally's Angels) had a great time! Thank y'all for hosting and braving the wind!



Shannon Lopez
How fun is this... 🐝

Adult Spelling Bee: 60

Program Highlights



Pi Day Pi-K: 102



Craft Supply Swap: 163



Play & Learn Workshops: 61

Program Highlights



Pat Worrell

How exciting to have these gifted musicians in BURLESON !!! 🤗



Cliburn Adopt-A-Competitor:
64

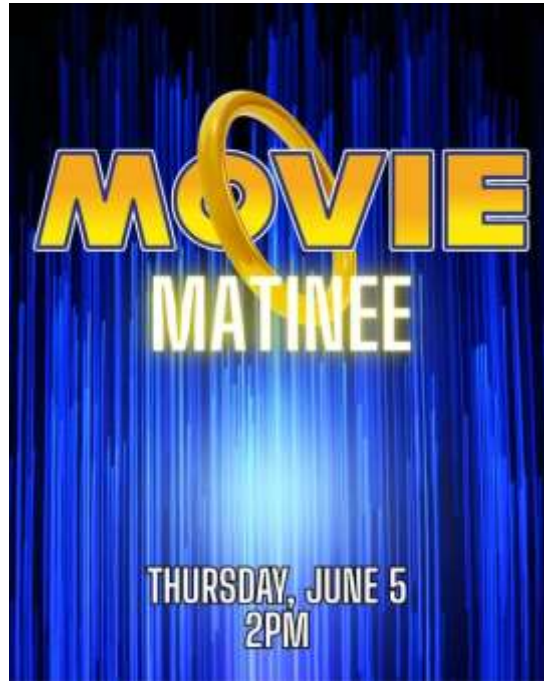


Collaborative Art Day: 285



Fort Worth Bubble Truck: 118
(held offsite @ Russell Farm)

Program Highlights



Movie Matinee: 30



Jennifer Grace

This is a wonderful creative idea! Looks like y'all had so much fun 🥰 Wendy you look fabulous in all your color!

Tie Dye Water Gun Fight: 28



Pamela Ford
so fun and creative



TNT Designs TX
Looks like they all had a blast!

Children's Art Day: 970
(8 sessions)

Program Highlights



Prisms, Light and Colors with
the Master Naturalists : 63



Teen Art Hour: 208
(8 sessions)



All About Animals: 136
(Evening Program)

Program Highlights



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Rayleen Cole Sullivan
Landon loooooooved it!!



Mommy & Me Yoga: 34



Touch a Truck: 404
(held offsite @ the BRiCk)



Pollinator Color Preferences
with the Master Naturalists:
46

Program Highlights



Rising fan

Jana Loofbourrow

What a fun time! Thanks to the terrific staff for sharing their acting skills!



Mystery Night: 66



Larry-Janine Petersen

It was so fun and so interesting for everyone

Creature Teacher: 307
(held offsite @ Mayor Vera
Calvin Plaza)



Karate Dance Party: 71

Program Highlights



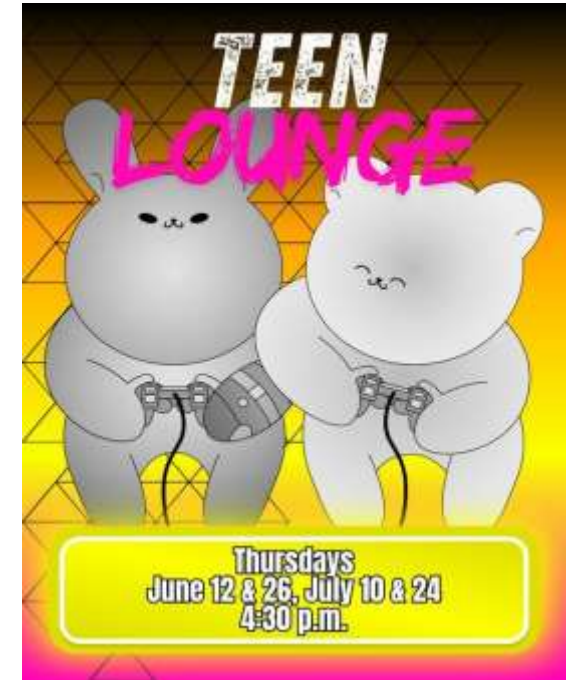
No Sew Pillow: 32



Local Life Magazine
Nothing beats a cozy movie afternoon with popcorn
and blankets with family!



Family Movie: 54
(2 sessions)



Teen Lounge: 34
(2 sessions)

Program Highlights



Tiffany Slotsve Felgar
It was super fun and informative!



Honeybee Show-and-Tell
with We Bee Keepin': 58
(Saturday Program)



Adventure of the Missing
Color with Science Heroes:
52 (Evening Program)



Rocks Color My World with
the Master Naturalists: 93

Program Highlights



Cindy Davis
I love the wings! So pretty!



Monarch Butterflies and
Their Imposters with the
Master Naturalists: 60



Flamingo Party: 72



Theresa Robles
[Karon Guerrero](#) look at my rotten teen. She wouldn't be
in the picture so she held her flamingo in the pic 🤪



Dress Your Lawn Flamingo:
25
(Saturday program)

Program Highlights



Miniature Mock
Masterpieces: 5



DIY Tote Bags: 70



Top fan

Mary Slaney

How fun. Looks like they all had a great time.



Snacklaces: 83

Storytimes



Average attendance
for June-July



Baby: 54
Toddler: 72
Preschool: 47
Evening: 21
Saturday: 32

Special Guest Storytime
with Jessica Martinez
City of Burleson Deputy Parks Director



Inclusive Storytime: 20

Community Events & Outreach



CityFest



Burleson Chamber of
Commerce Business
Showcase



Centennial Park Ribbon
Cutting

Community Events & Outreach



STEAM Middle School Big Art
Day



Light Up the Night
(Center for ASD)



Laundromat Outreach

Community Events & Outreach



Robert Joseph Park Outreach



Trash Bash



Bunny Daze

Community Events & Outreach



Outreach at Mariposa Senior
Living

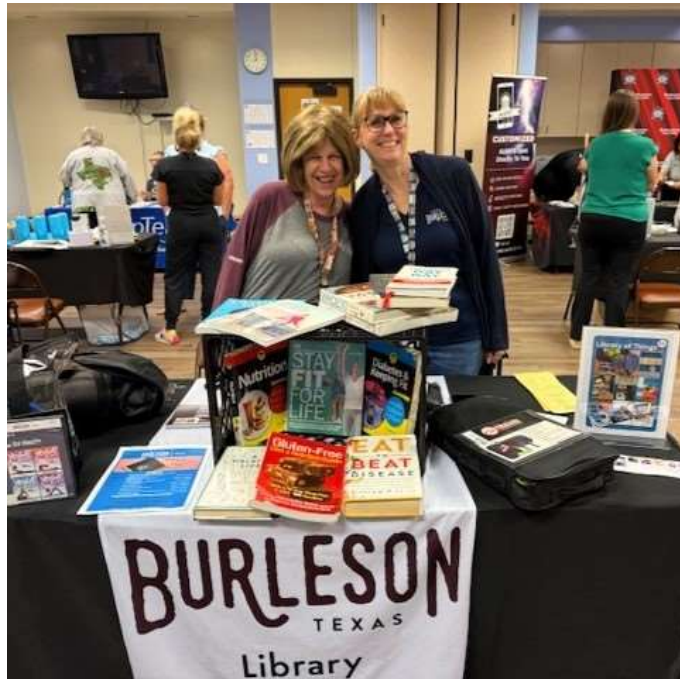


Kerr Middle School Game
Night



Career Day at Clinkscale
Elementary

Community Events & Outreach



Senior Center Health
Resource Fair



Cinco de Mayo



Mother's Day Outing

Community Events & Outreach



Brock Elementary Summer
School



Summer Camp BTX @ the
BRiCK



Father's Day Fishing @ Bailey
Lake

Community Events & Outreach



Hot Sounds (Juneteenth) @
Mayor Vera Calvin Plaza



4th of July Parade



Depot on Main Outreach

City of Burleson 2025 Strategic Plan



The library's record-breaking attendance was featured in the City of Burleson 2025 Strategic Plan, alongside increases in circulation, active cardholders and program attendance.

Non-traditional items were also featured as part of the #morethanbooks messaging campaign.

Library Recognized at City Council



Friends of the Library Craft Fair

The Friends of the Library held a Craft Fair on March 8 and raised a total of \$1,050 for Summer Reading Club.

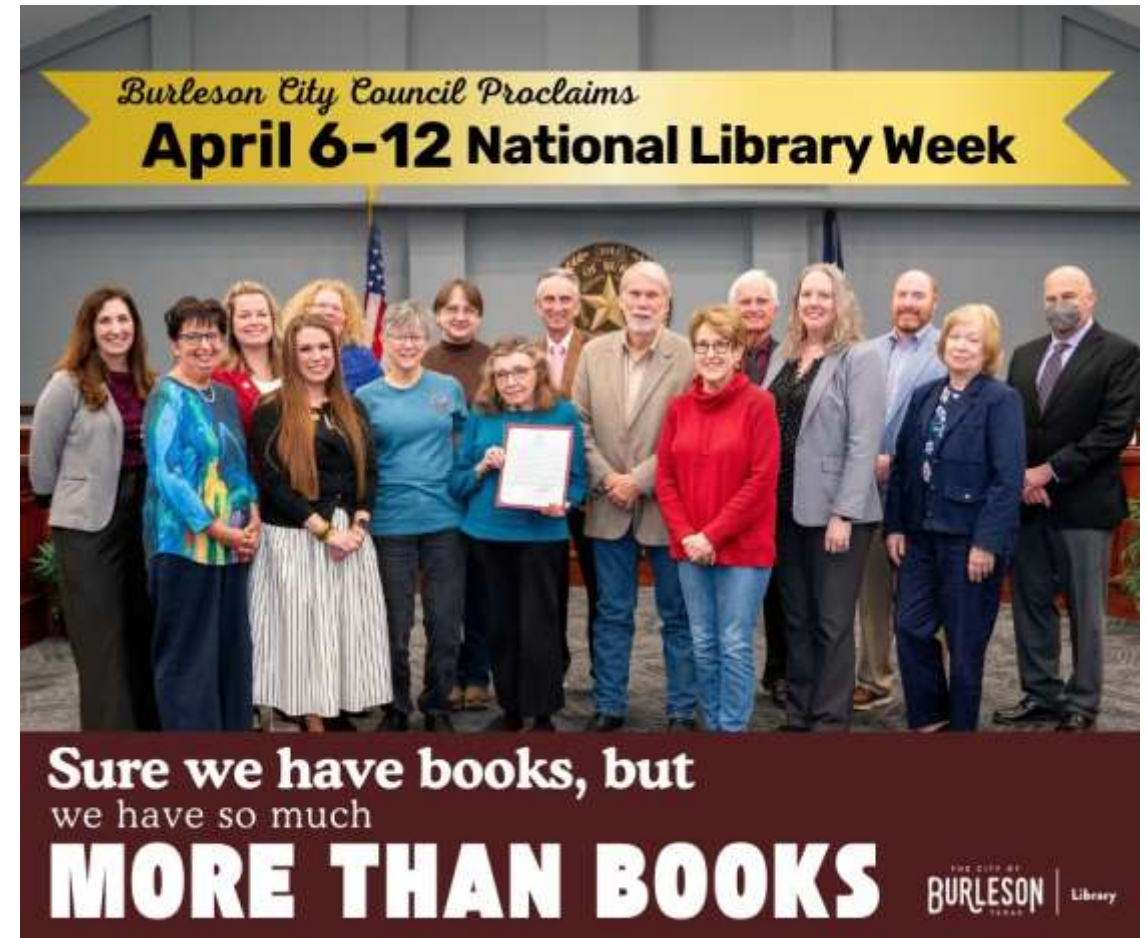
The Friends utilized those funds to sponsor programs for adults, teens and children during summer reading. They also provided reading incentives and prizes for all ages.



National Library Week (April 6-12)

City Council proclaimed April 6-12 as National Library Week in Burleson.

Millions of people visit libraries every week — why? Because libraries offer something for everyone. From Storytime and creative programs for kids to tech help for seniors and endless resources for lifelong learners, libraries help connect the dots on every part of life's journey. Whether you're exploring a new hobby, diving into your family history, or planning your next big project, the library is here to help.



Every Kid Healthy™ Week (April 21-25)

Every Kid Healthy™ Week is an annual celebration of health and wellness achievements. Each day shines a spotlight on the actions families are taking to improve the health and wellness of their kids. It also highlights the link between nutrition, physical activity, mental health and learning – because healthy kids are better prepared to learn and thrive.

Johnson County Hunger Coalition and Cook Children's visited the library and distributed kits to Storytime families.



Employee of the Quarter: Wendy Lastovica-Alvey



Wendy joined the City in December 2022, and currently serves as the Youth Services Librarian in the Burleson Public Library. She was nominated for her extraordinary work with Project Prom, a program designed to help teens access formalwear for prom at no cost. Wendy collected and sorted donations, spent hours cleaning and repairing the clothing, and transformed a meeting room into a boutique-like space complete with music and décor to give teens a special shopping experience.

Beyond this, Wendy noticed local youth needed access to hygiene items and quietly created a resource cart where they can discreetly take what they need, no questions asked. Additionally, she stayed after hours with a patron who was locked out of their vehicle, offering comfort and security until help arrived. Wendy's empathy and initiative are a reflection of her ongoing commitment to serve with heart.

Wendy was recognized at the May 5, 2025 City Council meeting.

2025 Summer at the Library Grant



The library is a proud recipient of a \$2,000 grant from HEB and the Texas Library Association. This grant expanded the library's Summer Reading Club by providing additional funds for summer programs and reading incentives.

Summer Reading Club is sponsored by the Friends of the Library and this grant supplemented those efforts. Staff used the funds to purchase additional materials and snacks for programs, along with more bingo prize baskets.

SUMMER READING CLUB 2025

THE CITY OF
BURLESON
TEXAS
Library



52,911

PEOPLE VISITED
THE LIBRARY



64,260

ITEMS WERE CHECKED
OUT

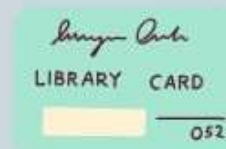
10,209

PEOPLE ATTENDED
LIBRARY EVENTS



615

NEW LIBRARY CARDS
WERE ISSUED



YTD
Totals
thru July



90,092
digital downloads +13%



2,995
cards issued +4%

11,996

Wi-Fi sessions +14%



232,333
physical items checked out -1%

217,038
visitors +8%



30,681
attended programs +26%

Questions/Comments

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