



**Agenda Item B.1
PRESENTATION
Meeting Date: August 3, 2026**

TO: Chair and Members of the Library Advisory Commission

SUBMITTED BY: JoAnne Plummer, Neighborhood Services Director

PREPARED BY: Elizabeth Saucedo, City Librarian

SUBJECT: City Librarian's Report

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive a presentation from the City Librarian about the activities of the Goleta and Santa Ynez Valley Libraries system, including services, programs and events, and the status of various long-term initiatives.

DISCUSSION:

Following is a presentation to the Commission referencing operational activities at the Goleta and Santa Ynez Valley Libraries during May – June 2026, with some updates from July 2026 where available. This presentation will provide service updates including programs, events, statistics, grants, collection development, and more. The included PowerPoint presentation will detail each category (Attachment 1). The data shared reflects the Library Division's continued emphasis on high-quality, responsive service at the highest possible level throughout Santa Barbara County Zone 4.

Review By:

Elizabeth Saucedo
City Librarian

Approved By:

JoAnne Plummer
Neighborhood Services Director

ATTACHMENT:

1. City Librarian's Report PowerPoint Presentation

Attachment 1

City Librarian's Report PowerPoint Presentation

City Librarian's Report

Library Advisory Commission

August 3, 2026

Presented by:

Elizabeth Saucedo, City Librarian



Report Overview



- System Highlights: May and June 2026
- Read-a-Palooza 2026
- Recruitments
- Looking Ahead



GOLETA & SANTA YNEZ VALLEY
LIBRARIES

System Highlights: May and June 2026

GVL Express

6500 Hollister Avenue – Suite 105, Goleta, CA 93117

- ❖ Visits to the Library: 9,202
- ❖ Computer Sessions: 543
- ❖ Total Programs: 76
- ❖ Program Interactions: 2,239

- Passive (and some active) programming at GVL Express
- Offsite programs thrive at Goleta Community Center, Stow Grove Park, Evergreen Park, Tucker's Grove, Goleta Beach Park and outreach at special events!
- Friends of the Library book sales continue during GVL Express open hours



Goodland Yarn Works meets at the Goleta Community Center Wednesdays 2-4pm

Buellton Library

202 Dairyland Road, Buellton, CA 93427



- ❖ Visits to the Library: 3,700
- ❖ Computer Sessions: 310
- ❖ Total Programs: 40
- ❖ Program Interactions: 1,194
 - Book Club, Craft Days, Storytimes, Tech Tutoring, Treasure Hunts, and more
 - Outreach: Buellton Unified School District and local charter schools
 - Plus! Friends of the Library onsite programs and book sales

THE BUELLTON LIBRARY

BOOKWORMS BOOK CLUB

THEME: FAMILY DRAMA

JULY 17
1 - 2 PM

Buellton Library Summer READ-A-PALOOZA
FOR ALL AGES!

Program runs from June 1 - July 31 - 9 Weeks this Year!

- ★ Log your reading at least 4 days per week to earn prizes AND tickets to our Prize Drawings.
- ★ Participate in fun activities each month at home and around town to earn even more tickets into our Prize Drawings!
- ★ Use our paper reading logs or use the Beanstack App to track all your reading, activities and tickets.

goletavalleylibrary.beanstack.com
or scan the QR code:

Go to: goletavalleylibrary.org/summer for all program details and the calendar of events!

beanstack

June

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
1 SUMMER READING LOGS	2 10:30AM STORYTIME	3 10:30AM STORYTIME	4 10:30AM STORYTIME	5 10:30AM STORYTIME	6 10:30AM STORYTIME	7 10:30AM STORYTIME
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July

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FREE! Craft Kits

Constellations

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All Month in June at Buellton Library!
Glow-in-the-Dark Constellations
202 Dairyland Road, Buellton CA 93427



Solvang Library

1745 Mission Drive, Solvang, CA 93463

- ❖ Visits to the Library: 7,014
- ❖ Computer Sessions: 153
- ❖ Total Programs: 43
- ❖ Program Interactions: 1,144
 - Fiber Arts Club, Storytimes, SYV Nature Lecture: Native Bees, Garden Club & Plant Swap, Drop-In Craft Day, and more!
 - Friends of the Library Book sales continue seasonally



Bookvan

Regular weekly stops throughout Isla Vista & Goleta



❖ Visits to the Bookvan: 855

❖ Total Stops: 73

❖ Total Hours: 180.5

➤ Summer Schedule creates expanded opportunities for impact between school years

- Isla Vista Elementary campus closed; Isla Vista Community Center hosting camp session

➤ Exploring continued enhancements with partners for the fall

VISIT THE GOLETA VALLEY LIBRARY
BOOKVAN!
¡VISITE LA BOOKVAN DE LA BIBLIOTECA DEL GOLETA VALLEY!

NEW FOR SUMMER 2026
6/23 - 8/15

For schedule changes, see the QR code, website, or phone number below.
 Para cambios en el horario de Bookvan, consulte el QR code, el sitio, o el número de teléfono abajo.

	Morning La Mañana	Afternoon La Tarde
Tuesday Martes	9:30-12:00 Isla Vista Community Center 976 Embarcadero del Mar	2:00-4:30 Estero Park 889 Camino del Sur
Wednesday Miércoles	9:30-12:00 UCSB Orfalea Family Children's Center West Campus Point Lane	2:00-4:30 Isla Vista Community Center 976 Embarcadero del Mar
Thursday Jueves	9:30-12:00 Friendship Manor 6647 El Colegio Road	2:00-4:30 Isla Vista Community Center 976 Embarcadero del Mar
Friday Viernes	We visit storytimes on Friday mornings. Check our website below to see where we'll be this week! Visitamos las horas de cuentos los viernes. ¡Consulta nuestra sitio abajo para ver dónde estaremos esta semana!	2:00-4:30 Estero Park 889 Camino del Sur
Saturday Sábado	10:00-12:30 Friendship Manor 6647 El Colegio Road	

PLUS! Sign up + pick up prizes for the Summer READ-A-PALOOZA 2026

(805) 964-7878
 goletavalleylibrary.org/bookvan

Read-a-Palooza 2026

Summer Reading Program Updates

Program Dates: June 1 – July 31

- ❖ New method of tracking days was well-received by participants
- ❖ Digital and analog logging options maintained high access levels
- ❖ Variety of classic, innovative, and pilot programming at all sites
- ❖ Donor generosity and Friends of the Library support remained integral to program success



Photo Highlights



Participation Statistics to Date

Library	Enrollment	Days Read
Goleta Valley Library	1,472	29,767
Buellton Library	217	3,906
Solvang Library	200	2,645
TOTAL	1,889	36,318

- ❖ Above totals reflect participation at time of report (Week 8 of 9)
- ❖ Final statistics will be collected following the program's conclusion on July 31st
- ❖ A Summer Reading Program recap press release will be shared in early August to celebrate community participation and recognize many generous donors

Recruitments

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❖ Bookvan

- External: Part-time Department Aide
- Recent reclassification for FY 26/27:
Part-Time Library Assistant to Technician

❖ Buellton Library

- External: Librarian II*
- External: Part-time Library Assistant
- Internal: Part-time Library Technician*

❖ Solvang Library

- Internal: Librarian II*



**Position pending City of Buellton and City of Solvang approval of amendments to library service agreements*

Looking Ahead

August – December 2026



- New print materials vendor: Ingram Library Services LLC
- Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Zip Books Grant funding update
- Fall/Winter programming and outreach
- California Library Association annual conference

Questions