



**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 March – April 2026, with some updates from May 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

June 1, 2026

Presented by:

Elizabeth Saucedo, City Librarian



# Report Overview

- System Highlights: March to April 2026
- Outreach Services
- Recruitments & Trainings
- Looking Ahead



GOLETA & SANTA YNEZ VALLEY  
LIBRARIES

# System Highlights: March and April 2026

# Goleta Valley Library

500 North Fairview Avenue, Goleta, CA 93117



## ❖ Presentations to follow

### ❖ Construction Update

*The Goleta Valley Library  
ADA, Safety, and Building  
Improvements Project*

### ❖ Interior Design Update

*Writing the Next Chapter:  
Goleta Valley Library  
Capital Campaign*

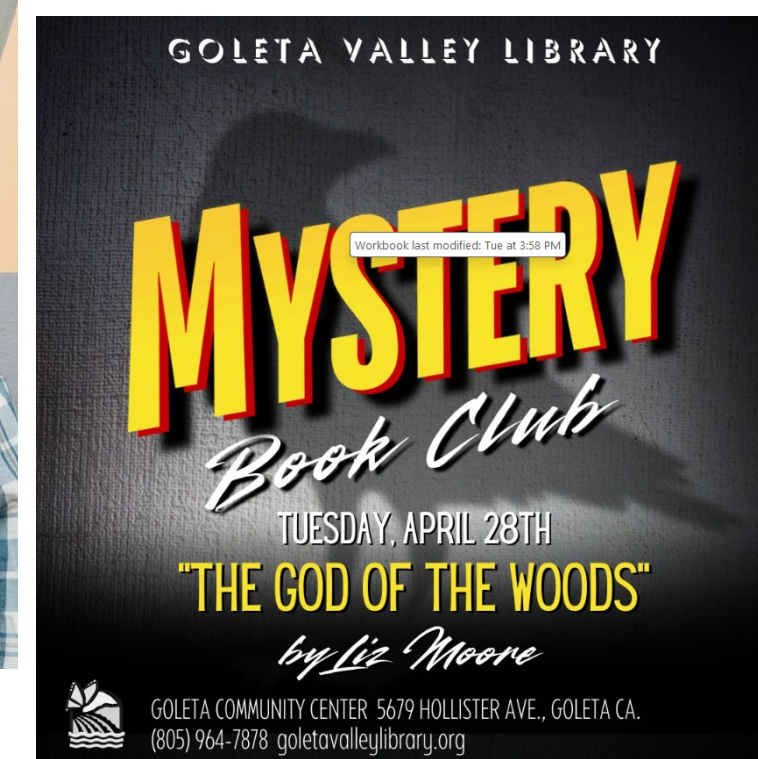
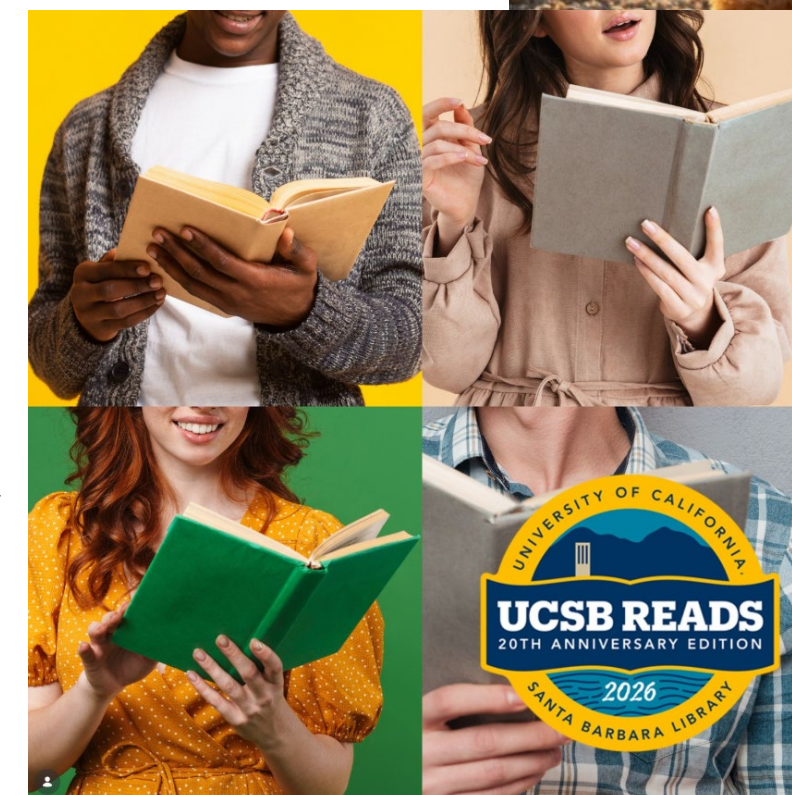
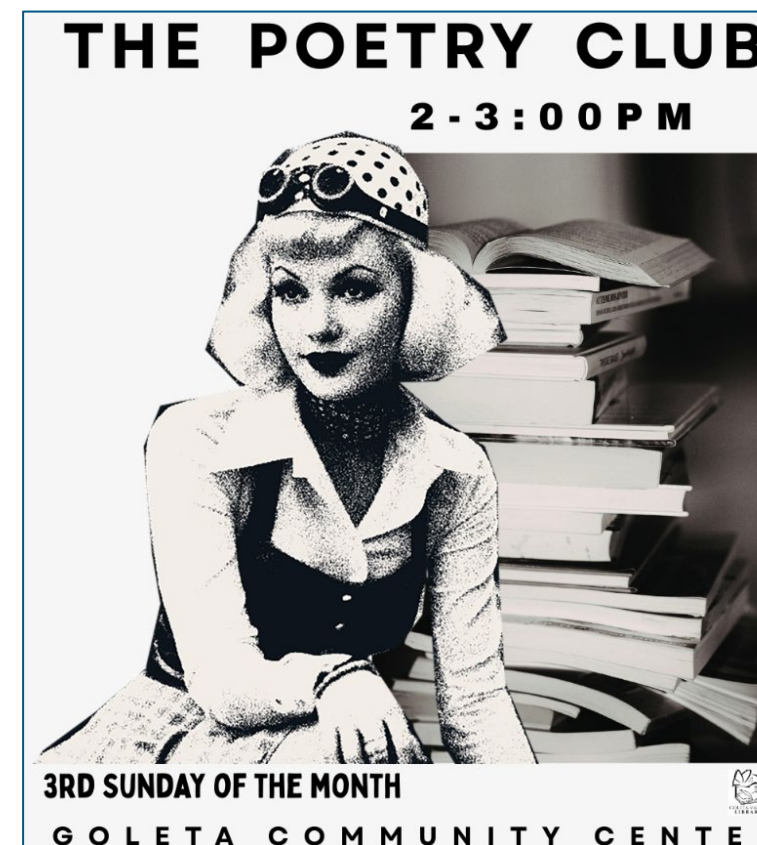


*Goleta Valley Library*

# GVL Express

6500 Hollister Avenue – Suite 105, Goleta, CA 93117

- ❖ Visits to the Library: 7,431
- ❖ Computer Sessions: 619
- ❖ Total Programs: 72
- ❖ Program Interactions: 2,111
  - Passive programming and small-scale active programming at GVL Express
  - Offsite programs at Goleta Community Center, Stow Grove Park, Evergreen Park, Tucker's Grove, Goleta Beach Park + outreach at special events!



# Buellton Library

202 Dairyland Road, Buellton, CA 93427

- ❖ Visits to the Library: 2,390
- ❖ Computer Sessions: 292
- ❖ Total Programs: 24
- ❖ Program Interactions: 477
  - Field Trip from SYV Charter School, Book Club, Craft Days, Storytimes, Tech Tutoring, Treasure Hunts, and more
  - Construction Impacts Continue – Parking Lot, Hundred Hills School
  - Friends of the Library onsite programs

THE BUELLTON LIBRARY

BOOKWORMS  
BOOK CLUB

THEME: DEBUT

APRIL 17  
1 - 2 PM



Buellton Library



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Buellton Library

Take-home Craft Kit March 2026

Pipe Cleaner Dragonfly

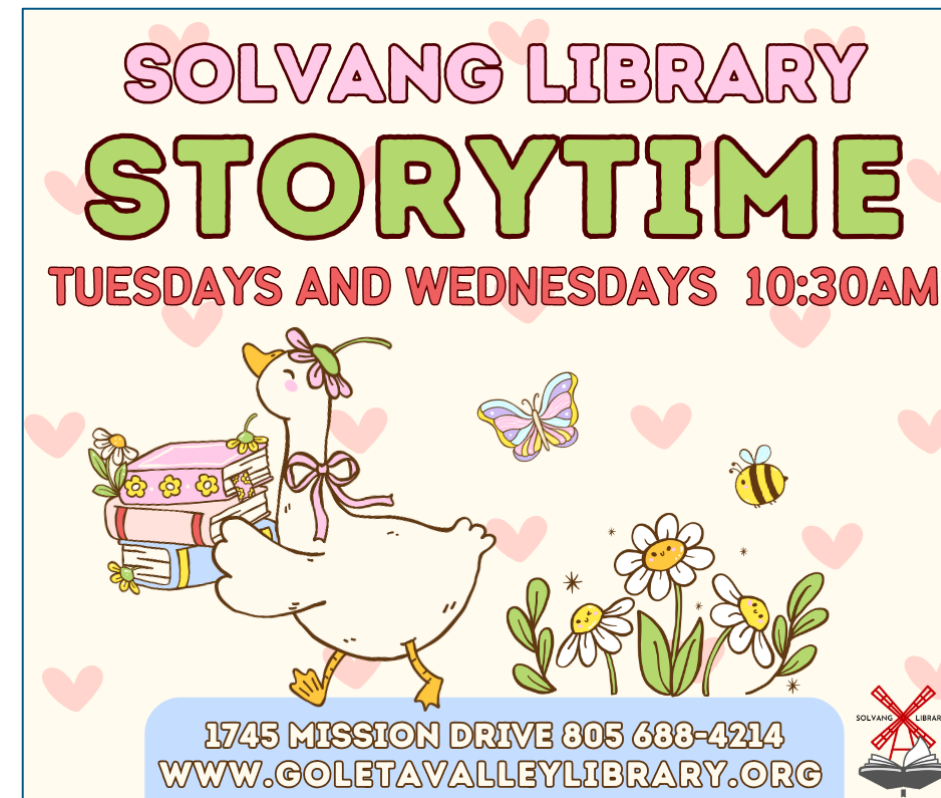
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# Solvang Library

1745 Mission Drive, Solvang, CA 93463

- ❖ Visits to the Library: 6,084
- ❖ Computer Sessions: 178
- ❖ Total Programs: 34
- ❖ Program Interactions: 729
  - Fiber Arts Club, Magpie Book Club + CALNAM partnership, Sewing Workshops, Storytimes, SYV Nature Lectures, Garden Club and more
  - Exploring opportunities to expand partnerships



# Bookvan

*Regular weekly stops throughout Isla Vista & Goleta*

- ❖ Visits to the Bookvan: 1,084
- ❖ Total Stops: 77
- ❖ Total Hours: 186.5
- Staff have been tracking and reporting on new routes for evaluating impact
- Collection Development team purchased new materials for mobile collection
- Social media outreach promotes stops
- Partner conversations continue as routes are refined, possible collaborations arise



# National Library Week Proclamations



*City of Goleta, April 7*



*City of Solvang, April 13*

*Not Pictured: Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors, April 21*

# Outreach Services

# Outreach

❖ April brought many special outreach events:

Date	Event	Location	Interactions
4/15	State of the City	Goleta Community Center	120
4/18	Beautify Goleta	Stow Canyon Open Space	32
4/22	UCSB Reads Poetry Event	UCSB Library	45
4/23	Senior Expo	Goleta Community Center	186
4/25	Isla Vista Earth Day	Anisq'Oyo Park	55

- ❖ Staff provided 438 interactions!
- ❖ Outreach fostered patron service and strengthened partnerships
- ❖ Summer Reading Program outreach scheduled at local schools and childcare facilities



# Staffing & Trainings

# Staffing Updates



*Part-Time Library Assistant at Goleta Valley Library  
First Day - April 20, 2026*

# Team Training & Development

- Santa Barbara Regional Leadership Academy - Spring Supervisor Session
  - Congratulations to Goleta Valley Library Supervising Librarian Kim Crail on her May 15<sup>th</sup> graduation!



- Upcoming GVL Staff Training: Ergonomics Field & Transit Personnel
  - Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.
  - *Injury prevention program that teaches employees how to perform their specific jobs in a bio-mechanically correct manner*

# Looking Ahead

# Coming Soon!

- Goleta Valley Library Logo
- New print materials vendor
- FY 26/27 Zip Books Grant – application submitted!
- Fall/Winter programming
  - But first...Summer Reading Program 2026!



# Questions