



# WEEKLY REPORT

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TO: MAYOR FLETCHER AND COUNCIL MEMBERS  
FROM: TOMMY LUDWIG, CITY MANAGER

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## I. COUNCIL SCHEDULE

**MONDAY, APRIL 21**

**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING, 5:30 P.M.**

### REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

- Receive a report, hold a discussion and provide staff direction on the Dobson Street Safety Study. *(Staff Contact: Michelle McCullough, Development Services Deputy Director/City Engineer)*
- Receive a report, hold a discussion and provide staff direction regarding Council and Staff Meeting with Central Appraisal District of Johnson County. *(Staff Contact: Gloria Platt, Director of Finance)*

All meetings will be held at Burleson City Hall Council Chambers, 141 W Renfro St. The meeting will be conducted in the council chambers and is also available via live stream, <https://www.burlesontx.com/watchlive>

## II. GENERAL AND STATUS UPDATES

### A. MERITORIOUS AWARD RECIPIENT

Utility Worker Tray Stephens was recognized on April 11 with a meritorious award from City Manager Tommy Ludwig for his outstanding service and commitment to the community.

Stephens recently responded to a resident's sewer issue, even though the problem was outside the city's direct responsibility. Ludwig said he provided a "thorough, clear and informative explanation" to the resident, patiently outlining the necessary steps they needed to take.



His proactive approach and empathetic communication helped to alleviate the resident's confusion and frustration, demonstrating a true dedication to public service. The resident expressed their gratitude for Stephens' timely and high-quality response, specifically highlighting his professionalism.

## **B. LIBRARY PROGRAMMING**

### **Mad Scientist Party**

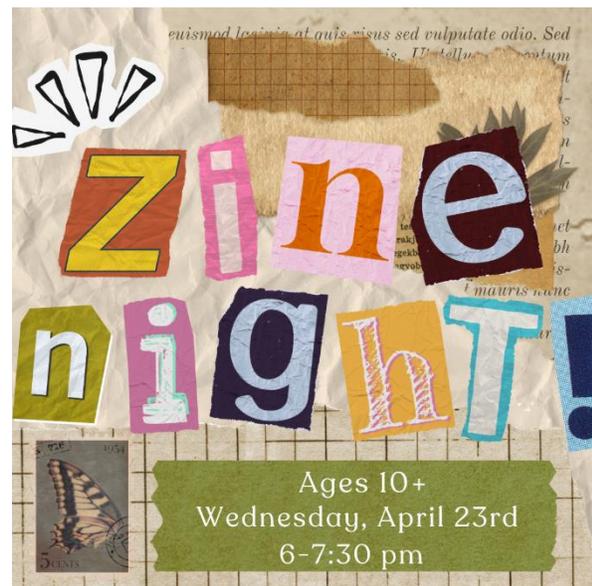
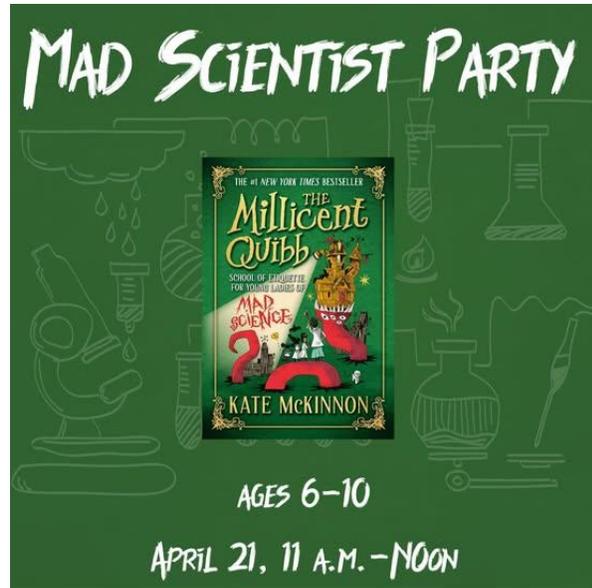
**Monday, April 21, 11 a.m.**

Put on your lab coats and get ready for some wacky fun at our Mad Scientist Party. We'll dive into exciting science experiments and chat about the book *The Millicent Quibb School of Etiquette for Young Ladies of Mad Science* by Kate McKinnon. While reading the book isn't required, it's highly encouraged—and Ms. Becky especially recommends the audiobook. This program is best for ages 6–10, but all ages are welcome. Dressing up like a mad scientist is totally encouraged. Don't miss this chance for some science-filled fun!

### **Zine Night**

**Wednesday, April 23, 6 p.m.**

Calling all artists, writers, doodlers, and dreamers! Join us for Zine Night and create your own mini magazine—aka a zine! No artistic experience is necessary—just bring your creativity and a willingness to have fun. Zines are a great way to express yourself and share your ideas, art, or stories. Open to ages 10 and up. All supplies provided.



**C. SENIOR CENTER PROGRAMMING**

**WPS DJ Dance**

**Friday, April 25, 6:30 – 9 p.m.**

Get ready to hit the dance floor! DJ Travis Moncrief will be spinning your favorite tunes for a fun-filled evening of music, dancing and good company. Whether you're reconnecting with old friends or making new ones, it's sure to be a night to remember. Donations are welcome, and the event is sponsored by the Widowed Persons Service.



For those interested in learning more about the center's offerings, tours are available. The Burluson Senior Activity Center, located at 216 SW Johnson Avenue, is open to individuals aged 50 and up.

**D. EGRET OUTREACH, EDUCATION AND PREVENTION METHODS**

Below is weekly information in regard to egret sightings and prevention methods as well as any outreach or education that has occurred.

Date & Time of Sighting	Location	Follow-Up Actions by Animal Control
April 9, 2025, 10:11 a.m.	425 SW Wilshire	One bird in the creek. Staff went into the coffee shop to talk to complainant, bird flew off. The sighting has been logged on the egret map.

**Proactive Egret Patrol and Education by Animal Control Officers**

Date & Time of Patrol	Location	Observations
04.9.2025 6:41 a.m.	Shady Oaks area, Brushy Mound, Timber Ridge (Browns Mountain) area	No egrets observed.

	and Redhaw area.	
04.9.25 8:00 p.m.	Same areas	No egrets observed.
04.10.25 6:44 a.m.	Same areas	No egrets observed.
04.10.25 7:45 p.m.	Same areas	No egrets observed.
04.11.25 6:44 a.m.	Same areas	No egrets observed.
04.11.25 8:00 p.m.	Same areas	No egrets observed.
04.12.25 9:00 a.m.	Same areas	No egrets observed.
04.12.25 8:00 p.m.	Same areas	No egrets observed.
04.13.25 6:00 a.m. 8:00 pm	Same areas	No egrets observed.
04.14.25 6:42 a.m.	Same areas	No egrets observed.
04.14.25 7:45 p.m.	Same areas	No egrets observed.
04.15.25 6:44 a.m.	Same areas	No egrets observed
04.15.25 7:45 p.m.	Same areas	No egrets observed
04.16.25 6:41 a.m.	Same areas	No egrets observed
04.16.25 6:41 a.m.	Same areas	No egrets observed

**E. PET OF THE WEEK**

Looking for a calm and loving companion? Meet Kyra, a beautiful 2-year-old American pit bull terrier mix with a gentle soul.

Kyra is a sweet, shy dog who thrives in peaceful surroundings. She enjoys quiet moments and soft affection, though she occasionally surprises everyone with playful bursts of energy and happy hops. Her favorite things include being petted and receiving treats, which she takes with remarkable gentleness that reflects her kind nature.

THE CITY OF BURLESON Animal Services

**PET OF THE WEEK**

*Kyra*

AMERICAN PIT BULL TERRIER MIX  
2 YEARS OLD

Kyra loves to find a quiet spot to relax but prefers to stay close to her people, always seeking connection and comfort. She would do best in a patient, understanding home where she can feel safe and loved.

Kyra's adoption fee is waived and includes vaccinations, microchipping, heartworm testing and spay.

The shelter is currently at capacity for dogs. View all adoptable animals at [burlesontx.com/adopt](http://burlesontx.com/adopt)

## F. FEEL GOOD FRIDAY

Sometimes the best ideas start with a simple question: "What can we do to spread a little joy?"

Last month, a local mom shared in a community Facebook group that she and her kids wanted to start something positive for others to enjoy with their families. Together, they created "Dwayne the Rock Snake" at Oak Valley Park North, 804 Parkridge Boulevard, inviting others to decorate and add painted rocks to the growing line.



A little over a week later, she posted an update saying, "My boys get so excited every time we see more rocks!" and encouraged the community to keep it going.

We love seeing families come together through creativity and kindness—one rock at a time. Stop by and add to Dwayne if you're out at the park!

## III. UPCOMING ROAD CONSTRUCTION/CLOSURES

*New map coming soon!*

#### IV. PARKS CAPITAL PROJECTS

PROJECT	STATUS	TIMELINE
Parks Master Plan	Draft In-Review	<b>Anticipated completion:</b> June 2025
Shannon Creek	Design / Bidding Goal	April 2025
Green Ribbon	Finalizing design in coordination with TxDOT	<b>Anticipated completion:</b> May 2025
Community Park	Design	Ongoing
BRiCk Renovation	Equipment package approved on September 9, 2024. Interior Renovation & Pool Resurface approved on October 21, 2024.	November 2024 – Lobby Renovation construction started August 2025 – Pool Renovation construction start September 2025 - HVAC construction start

#### V. EVENTS

Event information can be found at [www.burlesontx.com/events](http://www.burlesontx.com/events)

- BURLESON FARMERS MARKET**  
 Every Saturday, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
 Mayor Vera Calvin Plaza, 141 W. Renfro St.  
 Free entry, items for purchase
- AQUA EGG HUNT**  
 April 19, 9 a.m. – Noon  
 Burleson Recreation Center (BRiCk), 550 NW Summercrest Blvd - Indoor Pool  
 \$2 per participant (Requires purchase of day pass to swim after 1 p.m.)  
 Parents are free

- **EARTH DAY**  
April 22, 6 – 8 p.m.  
Bailey Lake Park, 280 W Hidden Creek Pkwy  
Free event
- **ARBOR DAY**  
April 25, 8 a.m. – Noon  
Centennial Park, 1100 Scarlet Sage Parkway  
Free event
- **TRASH BASH**  
April 26, 10 a.m.  
Warren Park, 301 SW Johnson Ave  
Free event, pre-registration is required
- **FAR OUT FAMILY CAMPOUT**  
April 26-27, 1 p.m. – 8 a.m.  
Bailey Lake Park, 280 W Hidden Creek Pkwy  
Pre-event: \$25 per family of 5  
Day of: \$30 per family of 5
- **RESOURCE AND HEALTH FAIR**  
May 2, Noon – 2 p.m.  
Burleson Senior Center, 216 SW Johnson Ave  
Free event, open to all ages
- **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENT**  
May 3, 9 – 11 a.m.  
Municipal Service Center, 725 S.E. John Jones Dr.  
Free event, open to only Burleson residents
- **CINCO DE MAYO**  
May 3, 6 – 8 p.m.  
Mayor Vera Calvin Plaza, 141 W Renfro St  
Free event
- **BURLESON ANIMAL SHELTER NIGHT AT CLEBURNE RAILROADERS**  
May 9, Gates open - 6 p.m., First pitch - 7:06 p.m.  
La Moderna Field, 1906 Brazzle Blvd, Cleburne, TX 76033  
Ticket link coming soon

- **MOTHER'S DAY OUTING**

May 10, 5 – 7 p.m.

Mayor Vera Calvin Plaza, 141 W Renfro St

Free event, but preregistration is needed to guarantee food (while supplies last)

- **SHOW ME HOW FESTIVAL**

May 16, 5 – 8 p.m.

Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714

Free event

- **SUPER SAFETY SATURDAY**

May 17, 9 a.m. – Noon

Texas Health Neighborhood Care & Wellness, 2750 SW Wilshire Blvd

Free event