

Changes inside and out at Liberty Municipal Library

LIBERTY - The Liberty Municipal Library has undergone some changes recently thanks to its many partners and staff efforts. Patrons are invited to see all that is new and different.

Patrons may first notice the library's curb appeal, which was upgraded with new landscaping courtesy of the Liberty Garden Club.

Once inside, visitors will find a Senior Room created for patrons 50-plus to connect with other members of the community. The Senior Room was created in part from a grant received by the Liberty Rotary Club and a generous donation from the Kaiser family.

This past year the library was able to purchase new computers with funding from the U.S. Department of the Treasury through a grant from the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. The computers include new capabilities that the library's former computers lacked. For those needing to take online classes, participate in training, or for telehealth services, users will find built-in cameras. Microsoft Office products include Word, PowerPoint, and Excel programs. Several programs were installed on the children's computers such as ABC Mouse. Headphones with microphones are available upon request.

Silent study rooms were also created in part through the Library Infrastructure Facility Improvement (LIFI) grant from the Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC). A new dedicated Story Time area is in the works and will be ready for Story Time on a new date and time – Thursday at 10 a.m., beginning September 3.

The Friends book sale area has changed location. The new space will allow for improved traffic flow and will be ready for the next book sale, which will be determined at a later time. The teen area has also been rearranged for better aesthetic and teen-only study areas. Another change included the creation of a small meeting room upstairs



TEEN AREA IN LIBERTY MUNICIPAL LIBRARY



SENIOR ROOM AT LIBERTY MUNICIPAL LIBRARY

for those who may need to utilize a space to hold meetings with four or less people.

A historical room is also in the works and will contain a small collection of historical materials relating to Liberty as well as the library's history. Staff has also been hard at work creating a new space for DVDs and Blu-Rays along with expanding the library's Large Print collection.

New ADA compliant improvements include public restrooms now equipped with automatic door openers. More wheelchair access is available for the print release station, card catalog, and two desks in the adult computer section. Purchases were made through the LIFI grant.

The library continues to add books to its growing collection through a recently received grant and purchases made through POs, Trust, and Memorial funding.

Why all the changes? As the city continues its growth, improvements to the library need to continue, too. One of the best ways to do that is to make sure that the Geraldine D. Humphreys Cultural Center is fully utilizing the space that houses both the Liberty Municipal Library and the Humphreys-Burson Theatre.

New and increased programming should also be noted as the library host events throughout the year from holiday events, including Halloween, Christmas, and Easter,

to scavenger hunts and the Summer Reading Programs events held throughout the summer.

The library staff invites you to come and see the new changes, relax with a book or watch a movie on the computer through the SWANK movie license. The possibilities are endless at the Liberty Municipal Library. Stop by and see the differences.

For more information, contact the library at 936-336-8901. Library hours are Monday-Thursday, 10-6 p.m., Friday, 1-5 p.m., and Saturday, 10-4 p.m. The library is located inside the Geraldine D. Humphreys Cultural Center at 1710 Sam Houston Street.



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If so, then make plans to attend a Medicare Educational Event, Thursday evening, September 17, at 6 p.m. at the American Legion Post 512, located at 2315 Hwy. 146 S.

This is an educational event only where you can have your questions answered and learn more about enrollment options from reliable sources in a trusted environment. No plans will be discussed and no sales will be conducted. Complimentary refreshments will be

served. RSVP to mytxrsvp.com.

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