The Value of a Library Card

Every September, libraries across the nation celebrate Library Card Sign-Up Month. This year, Woody, Buzz, and the rest of Toy Story 4 are here to help remind you of the many benefits and savings library card holders at Bastrop Public Library are privy to.

Of course, you can check out **15 items** (books, DVD's, cake pans, audiobooks, and more) for two weeks. But you can also check out up to five **ebooks** and **eaudiobooks** with the Libby app. If you need assistance with Libby, ask at the Information Desk or visit our website at cityofbastrop.org/page/lib.eresources.ebooks. In June alone, the typical adult who checked out items saved an average of $131.68 -- and that's not including ebooks.

But the library is more than books and DVD's, and so the savings keep going up! We have a variety of **online databases** with accurate, reliable, and up-to-date information. Topics include Chilton car repair manuals; medical information; craft and hobby instructions; citizenship guides; STAAR/EOC, SAT, GRE study aides; professional certification study aides (i.e. nursing, postal workers, firemen); Heritage Quest for genealogy research; and more. To access, ask for log-on information at the Information Desk.

You can also use a desktop **computer** at the library or log-on to our **wifi**. We have **printing, copying, and scanning** capabilities, and they only cost $0.10/page -- must cheaper than if you bought a printer, paper, and toner yourself.

We have **programs for all ages** that promote literacy, learning, and fun! Please see the Programming Guide for details regarding programs. As an example of savings, in June, 146 people participated in three different Monday Movies programs, saving them the cost of the DVD and gaining time with family and friends that can’t be quantified with a dollar value.

Lastly, we are a **space** where you can get in out of the heat and cold. We'll crank up the heat in the winter and turn down the a/c in the summer so that your energy bill doesn’t have to spike. If you find yourself like Bo Peep and her “lost toys,” you can stop in at the library for a respite, all for less than a Toy Story 4 movie ticket.
Read Magazines on Your Tablet

Are you a magazine reader with too many magazines waiting to be read? Or maybe you just can’t justify the cost of the glossy pages that you may or may not read in full? We’ve got a solution for you! Download the Libby app on your smartphone or tablet and read the following magazines for FREE!

- Car and Driver
- Clean Eating
- Cosmopolitan
- Country Living
- Elle Decor
- ESPN the Magazine
- Essence
- Food Network Magazine
- Forbes
- Good Housekeeping
- HGTV Magazine
- House Beautiful
- Kiplinger’s Personal Finance
- National Enquirer
- Newsweek
- O, The Oprah Magazine
- OK!
- Popular Mechanics
- Reader’s Digest
- Simple & Delicious
- Soap Opera Digest
- Star
- Taste of Home
- TV Guide Magazine
- Woman’s Day
- Car and Driver
- Clean Eating
- Cosmopolitan
- Country Living
- Elle Decor
- ESPN the Magazine
- Essence
- Food Network Magazine
- Forbes
- Good Housekeeping
- HGTV Magazine
- House Beautiful
- Kiplinger’s Personal Finance
- National Enquirer
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The app will ask for the name of your library (Bastrop Public Library), your library card number (on the back of your card), and your PIN (your phone number). Happy reading!

Readbox

This summer, three youth helped curate a “Readbox” display in the library where they paired books and their movie/tv adaptations. The display was up in July, but you can still check-out their selections:

- Atonement by Ian McEwan: Nov McE + DVD F Ato
- Charlotte’s Web by EB White: JF Whi + DVD JF Cha
- The Fellowship of the Ring by JRR Tolkein: SFF Tol + DVD F Fel
- Gone with the Wind by Margaret Mitchell: Nov Mit + DVD F Gon
- Gravity by Tess Gerritsen: MYS Ger + DVD F Gra
- The Help by Kathryn Stockett: Nov Sto + DVD F Hel
- Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly: 920 Lee + DVD F Hid
- The Jungle Book by Rudyard Kipling: JF Kip + DVD JF Jun
- The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe by CS Lewis: JF Lew + DVD JF Chr
- The Martian by Andy Weir: CD Book F Wei + DVD F Mar
- Sherlock Holmes’ Greatest Cases by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle: LT F Doy + DVD F She
- A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L’Engle: JF Len + DVD JF Wri

FOL Annual Meeting

Join the Friends of Bastrop Public Library at their annual meeting on Tuesday, September 24 from 6:00-8:30pm in the Pressley Meeting Room.

The meeting is open to the public, and is a wonderful way to learn more about the Friends and what they do for the library.

If you’d like to become a member of the Friends, ask for an application at the Circulation Desk.

Library
Closed for Inventory

The library will be closed for inventory on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 24-25.

We will re-open on Thursday, September 26 at 1:00pm.

Make sure you stock up on books and movies by that Monday!

Library Closings

- Monday, September 2
  for Labor Day
- Tuesday and Wednesday, September 24-25 for Inventory
Thank You, Garden Club and FOL!

The Lost Pines Garden Club and Friends of Bastrop Public Library presented the cumulative total of $11,181.00 from this year’s Book and Plant Sale to programming staff and Director Becca Sexton. The money raised goes towards prizes and programs presented to youth and adults during Summer Reading.

Fix-It Central

Do you have a broken lawnmower or tractor in need of some TLC but not sure where to start? Or maybe you’re half-way through fixing your boat’s motor and are stuck on how to finish the job? We have answers! Or, rather, we can give you access to the Small Engine Repair Reference Center, an online database with information on marine and boat motors, motorcycles, tractors, ATV’s, generators and other small motors, and lawnmowers.

Or maybe it’s your body that’s broken. A medical diagnosis or surgery options can be overwhelming, and WebMD always tells you the fatalistic. We have a dozen medical databases for you to search for reliable information. There are databases that are “average Joe” friendly, several for professionals, and even two in Spanish!

To access, stop at the Reference Center for log-on information. Or, if you're not computer savvy, we can help you find the information on the database.

Databases are full of up-to-date, accurate, and reliable information... take advantage of them!
**Staff Picks**

**Cary Kittrell:**  
**Tex-Mex: Traditions, Innovations, and Comfort Foods from Both Sides of the Border** by Ford Fry and Jessica Dupuy  
If you love Tex-Mex cooking... this cookbook has some great sauce recipes. Nearly all the recipes are made with ingredients we have in our pantries. I can't wait to try a few of them.  
Find it: 641.5 Fry (New)

**Catherine Lombardo:**  
**Keto Friendly Recipes** by Jennifer Marie Garza  
I have been on the Keto diet for a year, and I personally have two Keto recipe books, but I wish that I had this book first! And, actually, I have made more recipes from this book than the other ones that I have. It is user-friendly for even the new Keto dieters. My favorite recipes are the jalapeno cream cheese poppers, the chicken cordon bleu casserole, and the low-carb chocolate fudge. Even my husband loved them!  
Find it: 641.563 Gar (New)

**Bonnie Pierson:**  
**Rebound** by Kwame Alexander  
The second book in the Crossover Series, Rebound, takes you back to a pivotal summer where a young and troubled Charlie is sent to his grandparents for the summer. You can feel the rhythm of Charlie's life change as this novel in verse introduces him to his extended family, his history and the rich world of jazz that will shape him for the rest of his life. This novel stands alone as a great story that is fast paced, fun and enjoyable to read.  
Find it: JF Ale (Bluebonnet) + Libby

**Bethany Dietrich:**  
**The Flatshare** by Beth O'Leary  
Tiffy, newly kicked out of her flat, needs a place to stay. She's desperate enough to answer an ad wherein she would not only share a flat, but a BED with a Leon. He works nights, so the flat (and the bed) would be hers in the evening/night, and then they would flop. Of course, they end up together, but the joy of the story is the how. Obviously, with all romances, I ship the protagonists, but I really, really love the characters of Tiffy and Leon. O'Leary does a WONDERFUL job with their characterization and growth throughout the story.  
Find it: ROM Ole (New)

**Most popular check-outs of May and June 2019:**  
Picture book: *How to Walk an Ant* by Cindy Derby ~ E Der  
Chapter book: *The Hidden Oracle* by Rick Riordan ~ JF Rio  
YA: *A Court of Mist and Fury* by Sarah J. Maas ~ YA F Maa  
Adult fiction: *All the Wrong Places* by Joy Fielding ~ MYS Fie (New)  
Dumb Things Smart People Do with Their Money by Jill Schlesinger ~ 332.024 Sch (New)