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Celebrate July 4th with the Lions Club at the George H.W. Bush Center

COLLEGE STATION — On July 4, the College Station Noon Lions Club will host the 59th annual “I Love America” Fourth of July Celebration at the George H.W. Bush Library Center at Texas A&M University. The celebration will feature food, children’s games and train rides, free admission to the Bush Library, a patriotic concert by the Brazos Valley Symphony and will culminate with a July 4th fireworks display.

The day begins at 9:30 a.m. when the Bush Library Museum will open with free admission for everyone all day. Inside the library, the College Station Noon Lions Club will offer free eye screenings throughout the day.

Food truck vendors will open at 12 noon. Vendors selling food include Blake’s Steaks, C&L Nuts, the Crafty Pig, Good Bull BBQ, Krab Kingz, Kona Ice, Marco’s Pizza, and Sweet Pops.

At 5:00 p.m. the Lions Club Lions Club will begin selling drinks, Slovacek sausage, and offering free watermelon slices.

Two All Abroad Fun Trains will provide free train rides starting at 4:00 p.m. The Kids’ Zone, complete with games and bounce houses, will be open around 6:15 p.m. Both the train rides and the Kid’s Zone will close at 8:30 p.m.

Live music entertainment will start around 7:00 pm. The evening will culminate with a patriotic concert by the Brazos Valley Symphony Orchestra at 8:30 p.m. and a fireworks’ show at 9:45 p.m.

This year’s event is made possible through the generous support of key sponsors Commerce National Bank and the City of College Station and continuing support from the City of Bryan and the Office of Public Partnership & Outreach in Office of the Provost, Texas A&M University.

Free parking is available at Fan Field, the gravel parking lot on Research Parkway on the Texas A&M University campus. There will be no shuttles from West Campus Garage or Reed Arena. Barbara Bush Drive will close at 4 p.m.; all event attendees must enter through Discovery Drive or John Kimbrough Parkway. Handicapped parking is available in Lot 41.

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Go to <http://transport.tamu.edu/Parking/events/annual.aspx> for a map showing driving directions before and after the event. Scroll to the bottom of the page and under Summer Events click on “July 4 I Love America”.

Attendees are asked to enter via University Drive and Research Parkway, arrive early and bring lawn chairs, picnic baskets and blankets. Pets and glass containers are not permitted.

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“I Love America” Fourth of July Schedule of Events

9:30 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.	Bush Library opens (free admission all day) College Station Noon Lions Club eye screening (inside Bush Library)
12:00 noon	Food Truck Vendors open
4:00 p.m.	Barbara Bush Drive closes All Abroad Fun Trains begin train rides for kids
5:00 p.m.	Lions Club begins selling drinks, Slovacek sausage, and offering free watermelon slices
6:15 pm	Kids’ Zone opens
7:00 pm	Live entertainment: Ben Morris and the Great American Boxcar Chorus
8:30 pm	Brazos Valley Symphony Orchestra concert Kids’ Zone and All Abroad Fun Train rides close
9:00 p.m.	Food Truck Vendors close
9:45 pm	Fireworks display