

## STANISLAUS COUNTY LIBRARY

**Diane McDonnell** County Library Director

1500 I Street, Modesto, CA 95354 209.558.7801 Fax: 209.529.4779 www.stanislauslibrary.org

## PRESS RELEASE

**December 30, 2014** 

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

For more information, contact: Laura Ferrell, 209-558-7817 Susan Lilly, 209-558-4813 or 209-613-3672

## **January Events at the Oakdale Library**

The Oakdale Library will host a number of free youth-oriented activities and crafts this month, beginning with an afternoon of LEGO play on Jan. 8 at 3:30 p.m. Children of all ages will have the opportunity to express their creativity, while developing fine motor skills, by building LEGO displays for the library. Children under the age of 4 are welcome to participate, however they must have direct parental supervision at all times. The LEGO program is sponsored by the Friends of Oakdale Library.

Kindergartners through 2<sup>nd</sup> graders are invited to take part in the Crazy 8's Math Club. The Crazy 8's Math Club provides an opportunity for children to learn early math skills in a fun, hands-on environment. "Glow in the Dark Geometry" will take place on Jan. 13 at 3:30 p.m. Children will use glow sticks to make geometric shapes and repeating patterns. A "Toilet Paper Olympics" will be held on Jan. 20 at 3:30 p.m. Children will experiment with concepts of distance through such activities as the toilet paper shot put, long jump, and relay race. On Jan. 27 at 3:30 p.m. children can play with flying marshmallows. Using popsicle sticks and rubber bands, children will launch marshmallows into the air, experimenting with distance and height.

Teens are invited to get creative with a duct tape craft on Jan. 12 at 3:30 p.m. Using the library's supply of colored duct tape, teens can create flowers, wallets, or anything else that "sticks" in their mind! The duct tape craft is sponsored by the Friends of the Oakdale Library.

Families can visit the library on Jan. 15 at 3:30 p.m. for "Building STEAM with Día: Make your own speaker." Following a reading and discussion of *The Most Magnificent Thing* by A. Spires, children will explore

science and engineering by making a homemade speaker. Refreshments will be served. "Building STEAM With Día," a series of programs designed to explore concepts in Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math, is made possible through a grant from the Dollar General Literacy Foundation and the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC).

The Oakdale Library is located at 151 S. First Ave. in Oakdale. For more information, please call (209) 847-4204.

# # #