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Summer Reading Challenge at Stanislaus County Libraries

Read Beyond the Beaten Path

The Stanislaus County Library invites all ages to join the Summer Reading Challenge, “Read Beyond the Beaten Path,” taking place May 17 through Aug. 2. Children and teens participate by keeping track of each day they read or are read to for at least 30 minutes. Adults are asked to track each book they read and can choose to also write brief reviews of the books they read this summer.

Summer Reading Challenge participants will use the Beanstack app to log their reading and submit reviews. Virtual tickets are awarded along the way. Participants can then enter the tickets they’ve earned into specific prize drawings. A range of prizes are available, including early learning activities for babies and toddlers, LEGO® Bricks, iPads, a telescope, gift cards, themed baskets, and more.

“What’s most important is that we keep kids interested in reading and learning,” said Michele Machado, children’s librarian and coordinator of the Summer Reading Challenge. “Using the Beanstack reading platform makes logging and tracking easy, and we hope it will inspire everyone to read all summer long.”

Those who are unable to use the Beanstack reading platform can still participate by simply tracking their reading at home, then returning to the library for logging in the Beanstack system.

In addition, magician Shawn Durham will amaze audiences with magic, illusions and laughs. Durham encourages his audiences to find even more magic through the joys of reading. The show will be offered at libraries throughout the county, and is perfect for preschool-aged children and older. Interested parties are encouraged to view the library calendar at www.stanislauslibrary.org for specific details about the program at their library branch. Space is limited and advance registration is required at some locations.

The Summer Reading Challenge is sponsored by Stanislaus Library Foundation. Follow the Stanislaus County Library on Facebook and Instagram to keep up with library programs and events throughout the year.

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