July 2019

All libraries closed Independence Day:  
Thursday, July 4

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All Libraries

Summer Reading Challenge  
Through Aug. 6
All ages can read for a chance to win prizes as part of the Summer Reading Challenge! This year’s theme is “It’s Showtime at Your Library!” Visit your local Stanislaus County Library for more information and to pick up a reading log. Summer Reading is sponsored by the Stanislaus Library Foundation.

Didgeridoo Down Under  
This high energy Australia-themed show combines music, art, puppetry, comedy and science to promote tolerance and respect for all people and cultures.

Ceres Library (cont.)

Super Hero Capes and Mask Craft  
Thursday, July 18 at 3:30 p.m.

Ceres Library Book Club for Adults  
Wednesday, July 24 at 11:30 a.m.  
Discussion of Nina George's The Little Paris Bookshop.

Firefly Craft  
Thursday, July 25 at 3:30 p.m.  
Using recyclable materials kids can make a cool glow-in-the-dark firefly!

Denair Library

Chess Club  
Tuesdays, July 2, 16 & 30 from 3 to 5 p.m.  
Bring your own chess set and come play chess at the library! All experience levels welcome.

LEGO® DUPLO® Day  
Wednesdays from 12 to 6 p.m.

Craft Day: Fire Breathing Dragon  
Thursday, July 11 at 4 p.m.  
Create a pet dragon out cardboard rolls, colorful paper and vibrant tissue paper (for the fire!)

Paper Airplane Day  
Thursday, July 18 at 4 p.m.  
It's flying weather! Learn how to make paper airplanes, or share what you already know.

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Shark Week  
July 23 through 27  
Shark is hiding in the library. Find him and get a prize. Enjoy daily crafts and games!

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Shark Play Day  
Tuesday, July 23 at 3:30 p.m.  
Enjoy shark-themed games, puzzles and crafts.

Empire Library (cont.)

Friends of the Library Meeting  
Tuesday, July 9 at 5 p.m.

Scribble Art  
Thursday, July 11 at 3:30 p.m.  
Children can create scribbling on paper and coloring the unique designs.

Paper Airplanes  
Tuesday, July 16 at 3:30 p.m.  
Children can make colorful paper airplanes and watch them fly!

STEM® Bottle Raft  
Thursday, July 18 at 3:30 p.m.  
Children can have fun building rafts made out of plastic bottles, rubber bands and craft sticks, while learning basic engineering skills.

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Clothespin Shark  
Thursday, July 25 at 3:30 p.m.  
Kids will make cute sharks out of paper and clothespins, and have fun imagining they are catching fish in their sharks’ mouths.

Build It!  
Tuesday, July 30 at 3:30 p.m.  
Kids can design masterpieces with foam blocks, magnetic tiles and other building materials.

Hughson Library

The Fabulous Forties  
Tuesday, July 2 from 2 to 4 p.m.  
All ages are invited to try out 40s trivia, and play Old Maid or Battleship. Enjoy Betty Boop coloring pages, baseball card and postcard pocketbooks, and Uncle Sam hats. We will serve Bazooka gum and Good n Plenties. Photos, books, and movies from the time will be available to browse. Music from the time will be played.

Stars and Stripes  
Wednesday, July 3 from 2 to 4 p.m.  
Get in the patriotic spirit and make Bald Eagle pom-poms, parade wands, and more.

Ages 4 and under are welcome to participate in children’s programs, however they must have direct parental supervision at all times.

*STEM: Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math
Hughson Library (cont.)

Sock Hop
Tuesday, July 9 from 2 to 4 p.m.
Bring the whole family to browse photos and items of the 1950s. Make a book clutch purse, felt animal, felt letter patches, soda jerk hats, and poofle puffs. Pop the soda fountain balloon for a prize, play hopscotch and jacks in the aisles.

Animation Fun!
Wednesday, July 10 from 2 to 4 p.m.
Make your own hand-drawn cartoons. We will make zoetropes, funny facebooks, kinetic carousels, and a dog house illusion.

Stuffed Animal Friend Picnic Party
Thursday, July 11 at 11:30 a.m.
Your stuffed animal and doll friends are invited with you to a special Story Time. Then stay and dress up your stuffed animal for a special photo. We will also make picture frames, teddy bear ears, and paper picnic baskets.

Take Me to the Races
Thursday, July 11 from 2 to 4 p.m.
We will create a cardboard race track, car art, toilet paper roll cars, and have balloon car races.

Musical Fridays
Friday, July 12 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Browse our collection while enjoying the best-animated movie soundtracks, and play animated movie trivia.

The Sixties
Thursday, July 16 from 2 to 4 p.m.
All ages are invited to make decoupage, playing card notebooks, foil animals, tie dye, peace signs, and macaroni bead necklaces. Dance sixties dances such as The Twist, The Bird, The Mashed Potato, and more. We will have pictures of the time and popular titles to browse, while listening to the music of the decade.

Moon Landing Anniversary
Wednesday, July 17 from 2 to 4 p.m.
Celebrate the 50th anniversary of the first moon landing! Make a tin foil moon, a moon landing module with paper cups, and DIY moon rocks.

It’s a Bug’s Life
Thursday, July 18 at 11:30 a.m.
After a buggy Story Time, come explore the habitat of ladybugs and rolly pollys through their terrarium homes. Make watercolor butterflies, clothespin butterflies, stick ants, and light up fireflies.

Hughson LEGO® Day
Thursday, July 18 from 2 to 4 p.m.

Woodstock Anniversary
Friday, July 19 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
This year is the 50th anniversary of the Woodstock Music Festival. Customers are invited to browse for books and materials, while listening to music from Woodstock.

That 70's Day
Tuesday, July 23 from 2 to 4 p.m.
Relive books, movies and music of the 70s as you create a pet rock, make a homemade lava lamp, a mini disco ball, and more.

Hughson Library (cont.)

Frontier Day
Wednesday, July 24 from 2 to 4 p.m.
Live the life a child on the frontier, weaving, creating your own covered wagon, mini rag dolls, pretzel log cabins, and making homemade butter. Fish, pan for gold, and play stick pull.

How Funny!
Thursday, July 25 at 11:30 a.m.
After a silly Story Time, we'll make silly putty, crazy face rings, bubble paint, and straw mustaches.

In the 80s
Tuesday, July 30 from 2 to 4 p.m.
Celebrate the 80s with floor Pac-Man, a hair-teasing station, or Garfield drawing contest. Make ribbon bracelets, Pac-Man/Mario clothespins, pixel art with Pearler beads, and more. All ages are invited to listen to 80s music, play trivia, browse and check out book and movie titles of the decade.

Harry Potter and Percy Jackson
Wednesday, July 31 from 2 to 4 p.m.
Celebrate Harry and Percy with wand pencils, creativity shields, mini tridents, and more.

Keyes Library

Keyes LEGO® Days
Mondays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Clothespin Car
Thursday, July 11 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Kids will make cars using clothespins and other materials, and personalize the cars with paint.

Rock Painting
Friday, July 12 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Turn an ordinary rock into a work of art by painting your own unique design. Rocks will be provided but you are welcome to bring your own.

Magic Wand
Thursday, July 18 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Kids will be given a pencil to decorate, paint and create their own personal magic wand.

Scribble Art
Thursday, July 25 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Kids will scribble on paper and then color in the different shapes to see the result of their creativity.

Modesto Library

Free Computer Classes
Excel Basics (Spreadsheets)
Monday, July 8 at 5 p.m.
Internet Basics
Thursday, July 11 at 1:30 p.m.
Excel Intermediate (Spreadsheets)
Monday, July 15 at 5 p.m.
Word Basics (Word Processing)
Monday, July 22 at 5 p.m.
Email Basics
Thursday, July 25 at 1:30 p.m.
Intermediate Word (Word Processing)
Monday, July 29 at 5 p.m.

Registration is required. Call 209-558-7814.

Modesto LEGO® Days
Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m.

Game Day
Thursday, July 11 at 3:30 p.m.
Play giant versions of Jenga, dominos, & more!

Coloring Day!
Friday, July 12 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Colored pencils, crayons, and designs available at the Children’s Information Desk. For all ages.

Teen Health and Wellness: Self Care
Friday, July 12 at 10:30 a.m.
This month’s program will focus on the benefits of self-care. Learn about simple and healthier self-care practices for a happy and healthy you. We will meet in the Teen Area.

Jigsaw Puzzle Competition
Tuesday, July 16 at 5:30 p.m.
Teens and adults, join us at our first ever Jigsaw Puzzle Competition! Create your own team of up to 4 people and race against others to complete the puzzle. Every team will get the same 500 piece puzzle to work on. Prizes will be awarded to the fastest 3 teams.

Ableton Music Basics Workshop
Tuesday, July 23 at 6 p.m.
Play live drum sounds, step sequence beats and make loops as you explore original songwriting with Ableton Live 10 + Push. In this fun and interactive program, you will learn the basics of navigating music production software and a digital instrument pad. Digital audio creation is new to the Library, so come experiment with us! You can start from scratch or bring an in-progress musical project. Open to all experience levels. This program is for ages 13 and up, and will be held in the library auditorium.

Family Book Club
Thursday, July 25 at 4 p.m.
This month we'll discuss the graphic novel, Smile, by Raina Telgemeier.

All Ages Coloring Party
Friday, July 26 from 12 to 4 p.m.
We will provide crayons, colored pencils, and showtime-themed coloring pages. Participants will have the opportunity to enroll in this year's Summer Reading Challenge. No registration required. Drop in when available.

DIY Kids: How to Make a Mini Comic
Friday, July 26 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Let your imagination come to life by making mini comics. Best for children 8 and up.

Newman Library

Friends of the Newman Library
Used Book Sale
Tuesday, July 2 from 12 to 6 p.m.
Gently used books for all ages, at bargain prices.

Friends of the Library Meeting
Tuesday, July 2 at 6 p.m.
**Newman Library**

**Wee Move and Play**

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.
Fridays, July 5 & 19 at 10:30 a.m.
Enjoy books, music & toys. For ages 5 & under.

**Book Art for Adults**

Saturday, July 6 at 2 p.m.
Give old, damaged books a new life by turning them into pieces of art. Learn how to fold the pages to reveal images or words.

**Under the Sea Graham Crackers**

Tuesday, July 9 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Make the perfect snack with graham crackers, blue frosting, gold fish crackers, and sprinkles. Once everything is put together, you will have one super cool edible ocean scene.

**Newman LEGO® Days**

Thursdays, July 11 & 25 at 3:30 p.m.

**Shark in a Box**

Tuesday, July 23 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Set up a dimensional sea screen in a shoe box. Complete the scene by adding a shark and other sea life made from a variety of craft supplies.

**Oakdale Library**

**Wee Move and Play**

Mondays, July 1 & 29 at 11 a.m.
Toddlers and preschoolers can enjoy playtime featuring music, movement and sensory play.

**Craft(ween): Superhero**

Tuesday, July 2 at 3 p.m.
Teens and tweens can join us in making super-hero themed slime and crafts.

**Oakdale LEGO® Days**

Thursdays, July 11 & 25 at 3 p.m.

**Craft(ween): Stranger Things**

Tuesday, July 16 at 3 p.m.
Teens and tweens can take a trip back to the 80s as we celebrate Stranger Things. Join us to create 80s themed crafts.

**Friends of the Library Meeting**

Monday, July 22 at 1:30 p.m.

**Craft(ween): Harry Potter**

Tuesday, July 30 at 3 p.m.
It’s Neville Longbottom’s Birthday! Take a trip to Hogwarts and join us for an afternoon of Harry Potter themed activities

**Patterson Library**

**Stay and Play Social**

Mondays and Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.
Enjoy books, music & toys. For ages 5 & under.

**Mandarin Chinese Language Class**

Tuesdays and Fridays at 12:30 p.m.
Learn how to speak basic conversational Mandarin Chinese. Advance registration required. Call 209-892-6473 to sign up for this free class.

**STEAM® Kids: DIY Ice Cream**

Wednesday, July 3 at 3:30 p.m.
Learn about the science of ice cream while you make it.

**Moms Club**

Wednesday, July 10 at 10 a.m.
This program is for stay-at-home moms and their children to meet other stay-at-home moms.

**Unplugged**

Wednesday, July 10 at 3:30 p.m.
Join us for some unplugged family fun with board games, rock painting, puzzles, and more.

**Family Story Night**

Wednesdays, July 10 & 24 at 6 p.m.
Story Time followed by coloring or a fun craft.

**West Side Readers Book Club**

Thursday, July 11 at 1 p.m.

**Summer Fun Thursdays**

Thursdays at 2 p.m.
July 11: Unicorn Slime
July 25: Outdoor Games

**Crochet Club**

Fridays, July 12 & 26 at 3 p.m.
Learn basic crochet techniques, or come to hang out with crochet learners & enthusiasts. Please bring crochet hooks. Yarn will be provided.

**Kids Craft: Pom-Pom Painting**

Wednesday, July 17 at 3:30 p.m.
Learn the art of painting with pom-poms.

**Patterson LEGO® Day**

Wednesday, July 24 at 3:30 p.m.

**Painting for Adults**

Wednesday, July 31 at 3 p.m.
Learn how to paint a landscape. All materials provided. Advance registration required; please call 209-892-6473.

**Sensory Play Time**

Tuesday, July 2 at 4 p.m.
For ages 5 & under and their caregivers. Get messy, play, and learn with your senses.

**Story Time at the Park**

Fridays, July 5 & 19 at 10 a.m.
We’re taking the fun of Preschool Story Time to the Salida Park, underneath the shaded picnic area. Following Story Time, there will be crafts & activities provided. Advance registration required by calling 209-543-7315.

**Coding Club: CS First Game Design**

Mondays at 3 p.m. through Aug. 5
Learn to code! Design your own computer games using computer science and Scratch programming. Ages 9 to 14 welcome. Space is limited and registration is required. Call 209-543-7315 for more information.

**Versos y rimas / Spanish Poetry Night**

Monday, July 1 at 6 p.m.
¡Ven a disfrutar una noche familiar de poesía, música e inspiración! Todo en español. Enjoy a family night of poetry, music & inspiration in Spanish! Open mic will be available.

**Riverbank Library**

**Mayor’s Book Club**

Monday, July 8 at 11 a.m.
Following Story Time, Mayor Richard O’Brien will read to preschoolers and their families.

**Microphone Craft**

Tuesday, July 9 at 3:30 p.m.
Make and decorate a cardboard tube microphone, so you can rock out to your own tune.

**Friends of the Library Meeting**

Tuesday, July 9 at 4 p.m.
Mayor’s Book Club

**Art Lab: Musical Painting**

Tuesday, July 16 at 3:30 p.m.
Children will play musical chairs while they paint.

**Riverbank Library Book Club**

Tuesday, July 23 at 3:30 p.m.
Discussion Jim Fergus’ One Thousand White Women: the Journal of May Dodd.
Turlock Library

STEAM® Works: Ice Cream
Tuesday, July 2 at 4 p.m.
After a reading of Peter Sís’ book Ice Cream Summer, kids will make their own vanilla ice cream.

Turlock Library Book Club
Wednesday, July 3 at 10:30 a.m.
Featuring The Last Runaway by Tracy Chevalier.

Reader’s Theater
Wednesdays at 4 p.m.
All ages are invited to star in our Reader’s Theater troupe where you will read a story, play, or poem from a prepared script. There is no memorization and no costuming. We will put on a show for our friends and family at the final meeting.

Friends of the Library Meeting
Wednesday, July 3 at 6:30 p.m.

Turlock Teens Talk Books
Saturday, July 6 at 3 p.m.
Join fellow bibliophiles for monthly book chats.

Zoetrope
Tuesday, July 9 at 4 p.m.
All ages can learn how to create an optical illusion.

Turlock Teen Advisory Board
Wednesday, July 10 at 4 p.m.
Share ideas and earn community service credit.

Community Connections: Self Defense 101
Thursday, July 11 at 12 p.m.
Learn to be a better caregiver. Lunch provided. Registration required; call 209-578-6300.

Mystery Lovers Book Club
Friday, July 12 at 10:30 a.m.
Featuring Black Echo by Michael Connelly.

Willy Wonka Themed Escape Room
Friday, July 12 at 1:30 & 3 p.m.
Saturday, July 13 at 10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
Designed for ages 8 and up. Reservations required by calling 209-664-8100.

Marvel Movie Trivia
Monday, July 22 from 6 to 7 p.m.
Participate in teams, or take the challenge solo! Prizes will be awarded to teams. We will be using the free KAHoot! app. All teams must have a smartphone or tablet capable of downloading the app.

Turlock LEGO® Day
Tuesday, July 23 at 4 p.m.

Harry Potter Party
Tuesday, July 30 from 3 to 5 p.m.
Magical studies and fun crafts!

Waterford Library

The Great Backpack Giveaway
July 1 through 20
Ages 5 to 18 can enter to win one of four backpacks filled with school supplies. Sponsored by The Friends of the Waterford Library.

Ice Cream Party
Tuesday, July 2 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Learn how to make ice cream, while supplies last.

Waterford LEGO® Day
Tuesday, July 9 from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Discovery Bottle
Tuesday, July 16 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Make a sea-themed craft in a bottle using every day objects. Ages 5 and up.

Vision Boards
Thursday, July 18 from 3 to 4 p.m.
Represent your dreams & goals! Ages 13 & older.

Pencil Bag Craft
Tuesday, July 23 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Stuffed Animal Sleepover
Wednesday, July 31 from 6 to 7 p.m.
Get your stuffed friends ready because we are having a party and sleepover for them! There will be a special evening Story Time and then they get to stay the night. Come back the next day to see if they had a good time. All ages welcome.

Many library programs are sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Story Times and Community Library Information

Turlock Library

Turlock – 652 N. Main St. 209-664-8100
Mon-Thurs: 10-6  Fri-Sat: 10-8  Sun: Closed

Waterford Library

Waterford – 324 E St. 209-874-2191
Mon & Tues: 10-6  Wed: 10-8  Thurs & Fri: 10-5  Sat: 12-5

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