



**Stanislaus County Library**

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **February Events at the Empire Library**

This February, the Empire Library will offer free crafts and activities for children, as well as a free tax preparation assistance program.

Children can create colorful spiral snakes on Thursday, Feb. 1 at 3:30 p.m. Paper plates and assorted craft materials will be provided. Each participant will have an opportunity to solve a snake inspired puzzle for a chance to win a prize.

The library will offer a Valentine's Day inspired "Paper Plate Love Birds" craft on Thursday, Feb. 8 at 3:30 p.m. Children will have an opportunity to get creative with color and patterns to make their love birds stand out. Each child can make a love bird to take home as a gift for someone special, and one for the tree in the library.

The Friends of the Empire Library will meet Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 5 p.m. at the Empire Library. The public is invited to attend this meeting of library supporters.

Feb. 13 through 17 is Mo Willems Week at the Empire Library. Children and their families are invited to stop by to celebrate author Mo Willems and his characters Elephant, Piggie, Knuffle Bunny, and Pigeon. Daily craft activities will be available throughout the week. Participants are also invited to find Pigeon hiding in the library for a chance to win a prize.

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Community members are invited to receive free tax preparation assistance from IRS trained Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) volunteers on Saturday, Feb. 17 from 12 to 4 p.m. Advance registration is required. Please call 209-524-5505 to sign up.

The library will host a LEGO<sup>®</sup> Day on Thursday, Feb. 22 at 3:30 p.m. Finished LEGO<sup>®</sup> creations will be displayed in the library. Children under the age of 4 must have direct parental supervision.

The Empire Library is located at 18 South Abbie. For more information, please contact the Empire Library Supervisor, Diane Ramirez, at (209) 524-5505.

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