



Stanislaus County Library

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Hughson Library to host events themed to decades of the 20th century

Community members can travel through time with interactive, educational events for each decade

This summer the Hughson Library is hosting a variety of programs themed to different decades from the 20th century. Having started with the 1920s and 1930s in June, the library will continue the program series this July by featuring the 1940s, 50s, 60s, 70s and 80s.

The month will begin with a celebration of the Fabulous Forties on Tuesday, July 2 from 2 to 4 p.m. All ages can test their knowledge of 40s trivia, and play popular games of the time: Old Maid and Battleship. Participants can also enjoy Betty Boop coloring pages, baseball card and postcard pocketbooks, and Uncle Sam hats. Bazooka gum and Good & Plenty candies will be served.

The library will host a “sock hop” on Tuesday, July 9 from 2 to 4 p.m. in an homage to the 1950s. Participants will have an opportunity to browse photos and items of the 1950s, and play hopscotch and jacks in the aisles. Crafters can make book clutch purses, felt animals, soda jerk hats, and poodle puffs. Those who pop the soda fountain balloon will win a prize.

In celebration of the 1960s, all ages can make a variety of crafts popular during the decade on Tuesday, July 16 from 2 to 4 p.m. Crafts include decoupage, playing card notebooks, foil animals, tie dye, peace signs, and macaroni bead necklaces. While there, participants can try popular dances from the time, such as the Twist, the Bird, the Mashed Potato, and more.

Tuesday, July 23 from 2 to 4 p.m. will feature highlights from the 1970s. Participants can create a pet rock, build a homemade lava lamp, make a mini disco ball, create a Spirograph design, or make a smiley face button.

Community members can enjoy the pop culture of the 1980s on Tuesday, July 30 from 2 to 4 p.m. The library will offer a game of floor Pac-Man, a hair-teasing station, and a Garfield drawing contest. Crafts include ribbon bracelets, Pac-Man/Mario clothespins, pixel art with Perler beads, VHS cover notebooks, crazy hair pencils, beaded friendship pins, and bracelets.

“The intention of these programs is for generations to come together to reminisce and learn how others lived during different times,” said Heather Bailey, Hughson Library supervisor.

These events are open to all ages, and are sponsored by the Friends of the Hughson Library. The events will feature music of the times, and give community members an opportunity to browse popular books and movies from the times.

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The Hughson Library is located at 2412 A Third St. For more information, please contact Heather Bailey at 209-883-2293. Information on regularly occurring library programs can be found on at www.stanislauslibrary.org, under the “Events and Classes” tab.

About the Stanislaus County Library

The Stanislaus County Library engages all members of the community and offers access to information, knowledge, and the tools for innovation and personal development. With 13 locations throughout the county, the Library offers a diverse collection of free materials, computer access and Wi-Fi, Story Times, programming for all ages, and more. To learn more about the Library’s wide array of programs and services, visit www.stanislauslibrary.org.

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