



STANISLAUS COUNTY LIBRARY

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April Events at the Oakdale Library

All ages are invited to enjoy free programs at the Oakdale Library this month, beginning with free computer classes. Computer Basics will be offered on Tuesday, April 12 and 26 at 10:30 a.m. This program offers a basic introduction to computers, including an explanation of the parts of the computer, a tour of Windows, and simple tasks. Internet Basics on Tuesday, April 19 at 10:30 a.m. will introduce participants to the Internet and teach them how to search the World Wide Web. Advance registration is required for computer classes; please contact the Oakdale Library at (209) 847-4204 to sign up.

The NAMI* Connection Recovery Support Group will meet at the library on Tuesday, 19 at 5 p.m. (National Alliance on Mental Illness) This free, peer-led support group is designed to help adults living with mental illness. Participants can gain insight from hearing the challenges and successes of others. The group is led by NAMI-trained facilitators who follow a structured model to ensure that everyone in the group has an opportunity to be heard.

The library will offer two crafts this month, beginning with the Fuzzy, Woolly Sheep craft for children on Wednesday, April 6 at 3:30 p.m. Children will make sheep out of cardboard, clothespins, and yarn. On Wednesday, April 13 at 3:30 p.m. the library will hold a button maker craft, in which teens can make decorative pins.

Toddlers and preschoolers can enjoy "Wee Move and Play" on Monday, April 11 at 3:30 p.m. This program features an hour of music, movement, and sensory play.

LEGO Days will take place on Thursday, April 14 and 28 at 3:30 p.m. Finished LEGO creations will be displayed at the library. Children under the age of 4 are welcome to participate, however they must have direct parental supervision at all times.

On Tuesday, April 26 at 11 a.m. the Oakdale Library Book Club will meet to discuss *Turn of the Mind* by Alice LaPlante. Book clubs allow community members to expand their knowledge of books through meaningful discussions with others.

The Litterbug Story Time and Craft on Wednesday, April 27 at 3:30 p.m. will feature stories, dancing, and crafts about recycling and litter. This program is designed for preschool age children and older.

On Saturday, April 30 at 11 a.m. the library will celebrate Día de los niños/ Día de los libros, or Day of the Child/Day of the Book. Children can enjoy a special bilingual Story Time and a craft. Participants will also have the opportunity to visit informational booths from local community agencies. Each child will receive a commemorative

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activity book and a free new book provided through the Stanislaus READS! initiative.

Craft programs, Wee Move and Play, LEGO Days, and the Oakdale Library Book Club are sponsored by the Friends of the Oakdale Library. The Oakdale Library is located at 151 S. First Ave. in Oakdale. For more information, please call the Oakdale Library Branch Supervisor, Wayne Philbrook, at (209) 847-4204.

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