



**STANISLAUS COUNTY LIBRARY**

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## PRESS RELEASE

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### **December Events at the Oakdale Library**

Learn through hands-on activities and crafts this December at the Oakdale Library, beginning with the Snowball Guessing Jar contest December 1 – 13. All ages are invited to estimate the number of “snowballs” in the jar for a chance to win a prize! A prize will be awarded in three categories (children 12 and under, teens 13 – 18, and adults) on Dec. 16.

Children can build their own LEGO designs at the library on Dec. 11 at 3:30 p.m. The LEGO masterpieces will be displayed in the library. All ages are welcome to participate, however, children under the age of four must have direct parental supervision at all times.

Preschoolers can join the Crazy 8's Math Club at the Oakdale Library this month! The Crazy 8's Math Club provides children with the opportunity to learn early math skills in a fun, hands-on environment. At 11 a.m. on Dec. 9 and 10, children can play with flying marshmallows! Using popsicle sticks and rubber bands, children will launch marshmallows into the air, experimenting with distance and height. A Bouncy Dice Explosion will take place on Dec. 16 and 17 at 11 a.m., where children will learn about their chances of rolling certain

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numbers! Children can also try their luck at being the winning chip on the Human Bingo Board!

“Building STEAM with Día: Grow a Crystal Tree” will be offered Dec. 18 at 3:30 p.m. Children can listen to and discuss the story of *Snowflake Bentley* by J. Martin, followed by an experiment and a “grow your own crystal tree” craft! Refreshments will be served. “Building STEAM With Día” is sponsored by the Dollar General Literacy Foundation and the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC).

These programs 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 (209) 847-4204.

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