

# An adventure down every aisle



#### Your Library At Work

• There are more than 815,000 books (including large print), books on tape/cd, videotapes, magazines, newspapers and premium online resources available at the library every day.

• In 2004-2005, there were 20,848 new library cards issued.

• More than 89,971 new items were added in 2004-2005.





rom BookBabies and StoryTime to business research and homework, the Stanislaus County Library has what you need. Friendly staff will guide you, helping you find exactly what you're seeking. Last year, area residents checked out more than 2 million items at 13 convenient library locations. Visit the Stanislaus County Library – for an adventure down every aisle.

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# Reference & Computers

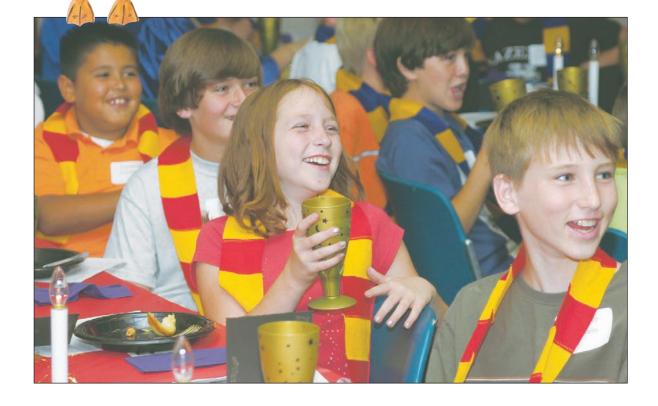
- Telephone reference/information is available seven days a week at (209) 558-7814.
- The Special Collections Room at the Modesto Library is staffed by volunteers from the Stanislaus County Genealogical Society: Mondays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- With 144 public computer stations countywide, the library provides access to word processing and Internet searching.
- Search the library catalog, place holds, renew items checked out and apply for a library card online.
- Email a librarian with your questions or use Ask Now – 24/7 Reference for immediate assistance through an online chat.
- Find magazine articles, auto repair manuals, position papers on social issues, biographies and essays on books and authors using the library's online subscriptions.
- Get connected at www.stanislauslibrary.org



eference librarians at the Stanislaus County Library are experts at helping people find information. Whether they're helping a student find information for school, helping a business person search for prospects, or recommending books for pleasure reading, they can help customers find the information they need.



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tanislaus County Libraries make reading and learning fun. Weekly StoryTimes are offered at all 13 libraries – developing pre-reading skills in even the youngest children. Children also participate in craft projects, special storytelling events and musical performances. Last year, children attended StoryTime 39,059 times countywide. Families are reading at home, too. More than 1 million children's books were checked out last year.



### Children's Services

• Last summer, 300 teens participated in the Teen Summer Reading Club. They read 2,337 books.

- More than 7,000 children participated in the Summer Reading Club. As a group, they read more than 17,000 hours.
- Traveling Tales

Through a Children & Families Commission grant, the library established Traveling Tales. This innovative program provides training and storytelling kits for child care providers serving children ages 0-5. Currently, 93 child care providers participate, checking out an average of 101 kits per month.



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#### Home Delivery Service

For more than 30 years, the library's Home Delivery Service has been a vital link for those who cannot come to the library. This nationally recognized, award-winning program operates with the help of 35 dedicated volunteers who select and deliver books, large-print books, books on tape/cd, magazines and videos to 211 homebound residents in private homes and retirement facilities.

To volunteer or learn more about this service, call (209) 558-7817.

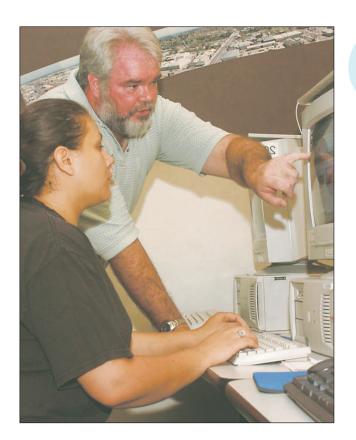




Pedicated volunteers visit their customers faithfully, often developing close friendships. For homebound residents, the books are a blessing that help fill the hours of sometimes lonely days. Volunteer visits and library materials provide a lifeline to the world for homebound borrowers.

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mproving literacy skills among Stanislaus County's adults is essential to building a stronger, healthier workforce. Through Reading-Works, a partnership with the Stanislaus Literacy Center, volunteers conduct individual or small-group tutoring sessions at libraries, and other training centers. As a result, 1,033 adults improved their reading and writing skills last year. Tutors are always needed and they make a tremendous difference in the lives of their students.



### Literacy

- Last year, 80 percent of students improved their reading skills by one test level.
- 50 percent of employed students improved on their jobs.
- 100 percent of students with children now feel confident enough to read to their children.

For more information about becoming a tutor or getting help, call (209) 558-4505.

### Computer Literacy

• Through Bridges to Technology, 159 small-group computer classes were offered countywide in 2004-2005, serving 510 students.

• WebWednesday, monthly technology classes offered in partnership with modbee.com, has provided information to 750 attendees about topics such as digital photography, Web site design and online genealogy research.

For more information about computer classes, call (209) 558-7814.

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### **Stanislaus County Library Foundation**

For more than a decade, the Stanislaus County Library Foundation has supported programs throughout the county library system. The Foundation has also secured grant funding from Omega Nu for the children's dinner theater series and from the Credit Bureau Foundation for teen programs. The Foundation raises funds through private donations and special projects, such as:

• The Adult Spelling Bee, which raised more than \$12,000 in April.

· An annual mail campaign, which raised \$22,000 last year.

• A Web site (www.stanislauslibraryfoundation.org) with links to Amazon.com and BarnesandNoble.com generates revenue for the Foundation with each purchase.

For more information, please visit www.stanislauslibraryfoundation.





Turlock Friends compete at the Library Foundation's Adult Spelling Bee

riends of the Library support their local branch library through advocacy and fundraising for special library needs. Anyone can join the Friends of the Library – annual membership dues are set and collected by each Friends of the Library group. Friends also hold fundraisers like used book sales to help fund special library projects:

• Friends of the Patterson Library purchased shelving, children's books, a laminating machine and supplies for the library's craft programs.

• Friends of the Hughson Library members visit classrooms to read to children and encourage them to get library cards. They also maintain a supply of children's books at the medical clinic.

• Friends of the Oakdale Library sponsor children's programs and books for

babies, as well as a library entry in the Oakdale Rodeo Parade.

• Friends of the Salida Library support children's programs and offer incentive rewards for children and teens participating in the Summer Reading Club.

• Friends of the Turlock Library purchased signage, shelving and furniture, as well as providing funds for children's programs.

 Friends of the Modesto Library hosted a visit and book signing of "Good Luck Life" with author Rosemary Gong.

These are just a few examples of Friends activities. For more information about each Friends group, visit www.stanislauslibrary.org and click on "About the Library," then "Friends of the Library."



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### **Community Support**

#### **Board of Supervisors**

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#### 49-99 Library Cooperative

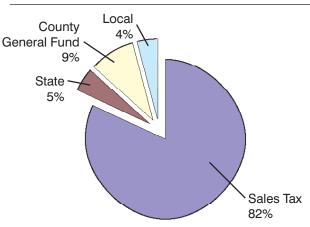
System Advisory Board Members Ed Brush William Latham

#### Friends of the Library

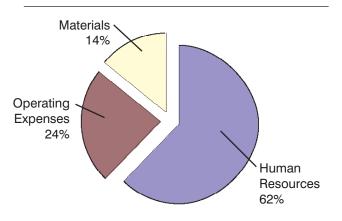
Presidents James King – Ceres Joan House – Hughson Mark Heinzinger – Modesto Ada Richards – Oakdale Lynne Robinson – Oakdale Marilynne Allen – Patterson Robert Scheid – Salida Dieter Renning – Turlock



#### Library Revenue FY 2004-05



#### Library Expenditures FY 2004-05



### Circulation Statistics 2004-2005

Ceres	113,360
Denair	23,208
Dialpac (renewals)	708
Empire	16,529
Hughson	27,686
Interlibrary Loan	1,637
Keyes	20,093
Modesto	1,007,014
Newman	34,744
Oakdale	135,258
Patterson	83,729
Riverbank	65,712
Salida	282,740
Turlock	290,531
Waterford	56,778
Total	2,159,727



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#### **Stanislaus County Library Card Application**

Name:	Birth Date:
Mailing Address:	Phone #:
Email Address:	_ Driver's License #:

Would you like to receive the monthly library calendar by email? Dyes no

**Please read and sign:** I agree to be responsible for all materials borrowed with this card and for all fines incurred, including charges for late, lost, and damaged materials. I understand that I/my child must follow all library rules of behavior and that if I, or my child, choose not to comply with these rules, our library privileges may be suspended or revoked.

Signature:

rom children's books to cookbooks, sheet music to car repair manuals, novels to online resources, the Stanislaus County Library strives to meet all of our customers' needs. But, if you don't find what you are looking for, please let us know. We'll help you find it.

For more information, contact Reference/Information at (209) 558-7814, visit your local branch or send an email to refquest@scfl.lib.ca.us

Library/ Biblioteca	Monday lunes	Tuesday martes	Wednesday miércoles	Thursday jueves	Friday viernes	Saturday sábado	Sunday domingo
Ceres 2250 Magnolia 537-8938	10 - 8	10 - 6	10 - 6	10 - 6	10 - 5	12 - 5	Closed
Denair 4801 Kersey Rd 634-1283	Closed	12 - 6	12 - 6	12 - 6	12 - 6	12 - 6	Closed
Empire 18 South Abbie 524-5505	Closed	12 - 6	12 - 6	12 - 6	12 - 6	12 - 6	Closed
Hughson 2412 A Third St 883-2293	Closed	12 - 6	12 - 6	12 - 6	12 - 6	12 - 6	Closed
Keyes 4420 Maud Ave 664-8006	9 - 5	8:30-5	8:30-5	8:30-7	8:30-5	12 - 4	Closed
Modesto 1500   St 558-7800	10-9	10-9	10 - 9	10-9	10 - 5	10 - 5	12 - 5
Newman 1305 Kern St 862-2010	Closed	12-8	10 - 5	10 - 5	10 - 5	10 - 5	Closed
Oakdale 151 S. First Ave 847-4204	10 - 6	10 - 8	10 - 6	10 - 8	10 - 5	10 - 5	Closed
Patterson 46 North Salado 892-6473	10 - 6	10 - 6	10 - 8	10 - 6	10 - 5	12 - 5	Closed
Riverbank 3442 Santa Fe 869-7008	10 - 6	10 - 6	10 - 8	10 - 6	10 - 5	12 - 5	Closed
Salida 4835 Sisk Rd 543-7353	Closed	10 - 8	10 - 6	10 - 6	10 - 5	10 - 5	Closed
Turlock 550 Minaret Ave 664-8100	10 - 9	10 - 9	10 - 9	10 - 9	10 - 5	10 - 5	Closed
Waterford 324 E St 874-2191	10 - 6	10 - 6	10 - 8	10 - 6	10 - 5	12 - 5	Closed

### Library Cards

Getting a library card is quick and easy!

1) Complete the application on this page or online by going to www.stanislauslibrary.org.

2) Visit your library to activate your account. You'll need to show your photo identification and proof of address. There is no age limit to obtain a library card, but children will need a parent or guardian's signature, accepting responsibility for borrowed materials.

