Stanislaus County Library
Calendar of Events

January 2019

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Stanislaus County Library
Create · Learn · Discover · with us!

Ceres Library

Ceres Library Guessing Jar
Jan. 2 through 31
Guess the number of cotton balls are in our
guessing jar for a chance to win a prize!

Stay and Play
Mondays & Wednesdays at 11 a.m.
Stay and play with us for half an hour after Story
Time and Wiggle Worms. Puzzles and toys will
be made available for a fun playtime!

Ceres Teen Art Night
Wednesday, Jan. 2 at 3:30 p.m.
Join us for snacks and fun! Various types of
art supplies will be provided to fulfill all your
creative needs.

Beaded Snowflake Craft
Thursday, Jan. 3 at 3:30 p.m.
Children can make glittery, shiny snowflakes out of
beads! All materials provided.

Rubber Duckies Craft
Thursday, Jan. 10 at 3:30 p.m.
Each child will be given a white rubber ducky to
color and decorate as they see fit!

Ceres LEGO® Day
Thursday, Jan. 17 at 3:30 p.m.

Ceres Library Book Club for Adults
Wednesday, Jan. 23 at 11:30 a.m.
Discussion of The Glass Castle by Jeannette
Walls.

D.I.Y. Crown Craft
Thursday, Jan. 24 at 3:30 p.m.
Feel like royalty with a custom made crown!

All Ages Coloring/ Painting Day
Thursday, Jan. 31 at 3:30 p.m.
We will provide a variety of art supplies for you
to use to create a masterpiece.

Legos and Duplos

Denair Library

LEGO® DUPLO® Day
Wednesdays, Jan. 2, 9, 16 & 30 from 12 to 6 p.m.
Craft Day: New Year’s Resolution Chain
Thursday, Jan. 3 at 4 p.m.
Create a colorful paper chain to drape in your
home to remind you of your 2019 goals.

Empire Library

Snowman Craft
Thursday, Jan. 3 at 3:30 p.m.
Children can create snowmen using cotton, felt,
buttons, and a variety of other craft supplies.

Play Day
Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 3:30 p.m.
Play games, listen to music and compete in
contests such as Freeze and Simon Says.

Friends of the Library Meeting
Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 5 p.m.

Pom-pom Animal Craft
Thursday, Jan. 10 at 3:30 p.m.
Children can create cute animals using yarn, felt,
and a variety of other craft supplies.

Bingo
Tuesday, Jan. 15 at 3:30 p.m.
Bring the family to play this classic game.

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of companies.

Empire Library (cont.)

Craft Day: Rainy Day Masterpiece
Thursday, Jan. 10 at 4 p.m.
Need something to do on a rainy day? Come
make a rainy day scene using paper, pipe
cleaners, ribbon, cotton, markers, and more!

Crochet for Beginners
Saturdays, Jan. 12 & 26 from 2 to 4 p.m.
Learn basic crochet techniques. Please bring
crochet hooks. Yarn will be provided.

Craft Day: Shadow Puppets
Thursday, Jan. 17 at 4 p.m.
Shadow puppets are fun and are easy to make.
We’ll provide the templates of various animals,
shapes, and characters to cut out, as well as
the craft sticks or plastic spoons from which to
suspend your cutouts. Turn off the lights, turn on
a flashlight, and enjoy!

Craft Day: Bookmark Creations
Thursday, Jan. 31 at 4 p.m.
We hope you plan to discover some awesome
books this year. To help, we’re offering a variety
of bookmark crafts for you to make to aid you in
your reading adventures. Craft supplies will be
provided for a variety of bookmark possibilities.

Dreamcatcher Craft
Thursday, Jan. 17 at 3:30 p.m.
Children can design simple dreamcatchers using
pipe cleaners, string, feathers and beads.

Empire Library (cont.)

Game Day
Tuesday, Jan. 22 at 3:30 p.m.
Kids of all ages can spend an afternoon of fun
playing a variety of board games.

Locomotive Craft
Thursday, Jan. 24 at 3:30 p.m.
Kids can create locomotives using paper roll
tubes, paper, string, and a variety of craft supplies.

Build It!
Tuesday, Jan. 29 at 3:30 p.m.
Kids can design masterpieces with foam blocks,
magnetic tiles and other building materials.

Chinese Paper Lantern
Thursday, Jan. 31 at 3:30 p.m.
Kids can have fun making simple Chinese paper
lanterns while learning about Chinese culture.

Hughson Library

Funny Melted Snowman Craft
Tuesday, Jan. 15 at 3 p.m.
Create a funny melted snowman with felt & paper.

Shaving Cream Polar Bears
Tuesday, Jan. 22 at 3 p.m.
With shaving cream and white paint, come
make a polar bear face.

Keyes Library

New Year Wishing Wand
Thursday, Jan. 10 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Wave in the New Year with a wish and a swish
by creating a star wand filled with glitter, beads,
and cheer.

Chain Link and Ribbon Bracelet
Friday, Jan. 18 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
DIY bracelets are a fashionable way to show-
case your creativity! Link chain trim together
and garnish with ribbon to match any outfit.

All libraries closed on
Jan. 1 & 21

Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors
Dist. 1..............Kristin Olsen
Dist. 2..............Vito Chiesa
Dist. 3..............Terry Withrow
Dist. 4..............Dick Monteith
Dist. 5..............Jim DeMartini

- Ages 4 and under are welcome to participate in children’s programs, however they must have direct parental supervision at all times.
**Newman Library (cont.)**

**Melting Snowman**
**Thursday, Jan. 24 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.**
Come create a snowman out of baking soda and watch as it liquefies into a fun melty mess! Carrot nose included.

**Modesto Library**

**Free Computer Classes**
- **Excel Basics (Spreadsheets)**
  **Monday, Jan. 7 at 5 p.m.**
- **Internet Basics**
  **Thursday, Jan. 10 at 1:30 p.m.**
- **Excel Intermediate (Spreadsheets)**
  **Monday, Jan. 14 at 5 p.m.**
- **Email Basics**
  **Thursday, Jan. 24 at 1:30 p.m.**
- **Word Intermediate (Word Processing)**
  **Monday, Jan. 28 at 5 p.m.**

Registration is required. Call 209-558-7814.

**Modesto LEGO® Days**
**Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m.**

**New Year’s Resolutions Posters**
**Wednesday, Jan. 2 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.**
What do you want to accomplish in 2019? Teens and adults are invited to drop in and create a poster to take home as a visual reminder of what you want to achieve this upcoming year.

**Game Day**
**Thursday, Jan. 3 at 3:30 p.m.**
Play giant versions of Jenga, dominos, & more!

**Scrapbooking Fun**
**Saturday, Jan. 5 from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m.**
Learn scrapbooking techniques, with free time to work on your scrapbook. Some materials will be provided but you are encouraged to bring your own. Prizes are given out at every meeting.

**Family Story Time: Yoga Play**
**Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 6:15 p.m.**
Join us for our new Family Story Time! Each month we’ll share stories and activities perfect for families to enjoy together. This month’s Family Story Time will feature yoga play. You are welcome to bring your own yoga mat, however a selection of yoga mats will be available to borrow.

**Coloring Day!**
**Friday, Jan. 11 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.**
Colored pencils, crayons, and designs available at the Children’s Information Desk. For all ages.

**Bring Your Own Device iPhone Training**
**Monday, Jan. 14 from 5 to 7 p.m.**
Join us at this free workshop in the Modesto Library Conference Room. Library staff will teach participants about basic iPhone functions, text messages, Bluetooth, and much more. Registration is required. Save your seat by registering online or by calling the Reference Desk at 209-558-7814.

**Great Valley Museum: Oceans**
**Thursday, Jan. 17 at 4 p.m.**
The ocean is a rich and fascinating ecosystem. This program explores different ocean habitats and the flora and fauna that live there. There will be lots of specimens for kids to see and touch. Best for school-aged children, but all ages are welcome. This STEAM® program is presented by MJC (Modesto Junior College) Great Valley Museum Traveling Teachers.

**DIY Kids: Craft-a-Palooza**
**Friday, Jan. 25 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.**
You provide the creativity, we’ll provide the materials! Come make a unique creation during this crafting free-for-all.

**Tabletop Board Game Day**
**Saturday, Jan. 26 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.**
All ages are invited to drop in and play board games at the library. Tweens and teens will enjoy learning and playing NME (3 player chess). We will provide the games but you are welcome to bring your own.

**The Well-Beings: Health and Nutrition**
**Monday, Jan. 28 at 6 p.m.**
Join us for a meeting of The Well-Beings, an encouragement group designed to help you better enjoy your life. This month we will focus on health and nutrition.

**VA Medical Van**
**Wednesday, Jan. 30 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.**
This mobile medical outreach is for veterans and their family members. Check in at the Veterans Resource Center inside the Modesto Library. Enrollment Specialist, Medical Provider, and Veterans Service Officer will be onsite.

**Family Book Club**
**Thursday, Jan. 31 at 4 p.m.**
Come together for a fun family read-aloud and discussion! We’ll get you started, then meet you next month to talk about the book. This month we’re reading My Father’s Dragon by Ruth Stiles Gannett.

**Newman Library**

**Wee Move and Play**
**Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.**
Enjoy books, music & toys. For ages 5 & under.

**Friends of the Library Meeting**
**Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 6 p.m.**

**Newman LEGO® Days**
**Thursdays, Jan. 10 & 24 at 3:30 p.m.**

**Oculus Rift and Wii Dance Party**
**Tuesday, Jan. 15 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.**
- Ages 13 & up: Test out the Oculus Rift, a virtual reality headset that can transport you to a variety of virtual worlds.
- 4:30-5:30 p.m. - Show off your dance moves by playing Just Dance! on the Nintendo Wii. Pizza will be provided while supplies last.

**Oakdale Library**

**Mother Lode Mineral Society Presentation**
**Thursday, Jan. 3 at 12 p.m.**
Families can join us for a rockin’ good time as we learn about rocks and fossils. Mother Lode Mineral Society members will share information about geology and the formation of fossils.

**I Survived Book Party**
**Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 3 p.m.**
Tweens can join us for a book party inspired by the I Survived book series. Will their buildings survive an earthquake? Will their boats float or sink like the Titanic? Will their volcanoes erupt like Mt. Vesuvius? Join us and find out.

**Children’s Craft: Trolls**
**Wednesday, Jan. 9 at 3 p.m.**
Make a silly troll party hat, a colorful beaded bracelet, and other troll-inspired crafts.

**Oakdale LEGO® Days**
**Thursdays, Jan. 10 & 24 at 3 p.m.**

**Wee Move and Play**
**Mondays, Jan. 14 & 28 at 11 a.m.**
Toddlers and preschoolers can enjoy playtime featuring music, movement and sensory play.

**Bookworm Book Club**
**Thursday, Jan. 17 at 3 p.m.**
A book club for kids! This month’s book is Officer Buckle and Gloria by Peggy Rathmann. Children will listen to the story, discuss it and do a related activity. This book club will meet monthly and is for children age 5-8.

**Oakdale Library Book Club**
**Tuesday, Jan. 22 at 11:30 a.m.**
This month, bring your own book to discuss with the group. Everyone is welcome!

**CrafTeen Book Club**
**Tuesday, Jan. 22 at 3 p.m.**
Come hang out and talk books while we craft removable window clings!
Little Scientist STEAM* Program
Wednesday, Jan. 23 at 3:30 p.m.
Little Scientists will listen to a book and explore science with a hands-on activity. Designed for children kindergarten age to age 8 & is limited to 15 children. Advance registration required. Sign-ups start Jan. 1. Call 209-847-4204 to sign up.

Microsoft Excel Class (Spreadsheets)
Thursday, Jan. 24 at 6 p.m.
Registration is required. Call 209-847-4204.

Help Make a Senior Smile
Jan. 28 through Feb. 12
All ages can make a Valentine’s Day card that will be donated to a local senior assisted living facility. All materials will be provided.

Patterson Library

Kids STEAM*: Snow Shooters
Wednesday, Jan. 2 at 3:30 p.m.
Learn about forces and motion with this snow shooter activity. Create a snow shooter and experiment with shooting different objects.

Yoga with Rosa
Wednesday, Jan. 2 at 6:45 p.m.
Learn the basics of Yoga with an experienced, bilingual teacher! Limited yoga mats available; please bring your own mat and water.

Stay and Play Social
Mondays and Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.
Enjoy books, music & toys. For ages 5 & under.

Moms Club
Wednesday, Jan. 9 at 10 a.m.
This program is for stay-at-home moms and their children to meet other stay-at-home moms.

Unplugged: Family Time
Wednesday, Jan. 9 at 3:30 p.m.
Unplug and unwind with your family at the library. Join us for some family fun board games, Wii games, puzzles, and other fun activities.

West Side Readers Book Club
Thursday, Jan. 10 at 1 p.m.

Crochet for Beginners
Fridays, Jan. 11 & 25 at 3 p.m.
Learn basic crochet techniques. Please bring crochet hooks. Yarn will be provided.

The Tallest Snowman
Wednesday, Jan. 16 at 3:30 p.m.
Use toothpicks and marshmallows to build the tallest snowman you can.

Patterson LEGO® Day
Wednesday, Jan. 23 at 3:30 p.m.

Painting for Kids
Wednesday, Jan. 30 at 3:30 p.m.
We’ll show you step-by-step how to paint a nice landscape. This program is designed exclusively for kids! Advance registration required, please call 209-892-6473 to sign up.

Riverbank Library

Magnetic Fishing Game Craft
Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 3:30 p.m.
Make your very own magnetic fishing game and reel in a big one! It’s a craft and activity in one!

Mayor’s Book Club
Monday, Jan. 14 at 11 a.m.
Following Story Time, Mayor Richard O’Brien will read to preschoolers and their families.

Art Lab: Tempera Paint & Chalk Pastels
Tuesday, Jan. 15 at 3:30 p.m.
Kids will combine tempera paint with pastel chalks to make their own whimsical work of art. Be sure to dress for a mess!

Riverbank Library Book Club
Tuesday, Jan. 22 at 4 p.m.
Discussion of Beneath a Scarlet Sky by Mark T. Sullivan.

Riverbank Library Teen Book Club
Friday, Jan. 25 at 3:30 p.m.
This month’s book is They Both Die at the End by Adam Silvera. A limited number of copies are available for checkout at the library. Light refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Riverbank Library.

Perler Bead Headphone Case
Tuesday, Jan. 29 at 3:30 p.m.
Make your very own custom headphone cord case out of Perler beads! For ages 9 and up.

Salida Library

Winter BINGO
Through Jan. 5
Ages 18 and under. Pick up your Bingo card at the library’s Information Desk. Then, read for 30 minutes, according to the instructions in each square, or complete the action described. When you hit Bingo (5 squares in a column), you can choose a prize. When you reach Black Out (all squares filled), you can enter a raffle for prizes.

Woo Move and Play
Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.
Toddlers and preschoolers can enjoy playtime featuring music, movement and sensory play.

Computer Basics
Thursdays, Jan. 3 & 17 at 10:30 a.m.
Registration is required. Call 209-543-7315.

Salida LEGO® Days
Fridays at 3 p.m.

Family Story Time
Saturday, Jan. 5 at 10 a.m.
Bring the whole family for Story Time, music and movement, followed by a fun craft or coloring.

Coding Club: CS First Storytelling
Mondays at 4 p.m. through March 25
Work on your storytelling skills using computer science and Scratch programing! Ages 9 & up welcome. Registration is required. Sign-ups start Dec. 11. Call 209-543-7353 for more information.

Salida Library Book Club
Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 10 a.m.
Discussion of If He Hollers Let Him Go by Chester Himes.

Preschool & Toddler Dance & Play!
Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 4 p.m.
Join us as we break out the shakers, scarves, and Story Time music! Bring your boogie shoes for this musical event for kids!

Virtual Reality: Oculus Rift
Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 6 p.m.
For ages 13 and up. Virtually enter into another world. This event will be first come, first served.

Harry Potter Alliance Meeting
Wednesday, Jan. 9 at 4 p.m.
Ages 12 to 18 can make a Harry Potter craft and work to positively change the community! Community service credit can be earned.

Health and Wellness:
Empathy and Kindness Rocks
Thursday, Jan. 10 from 4 to 5:30 p.m.
Teens and adults: Start your new year off right by taking steps to improve your health. Local physician, Dr. Parmar will talk about ways to improve your health by providing empathy to others. Afterward, have some messy fun as we partner with the #ModestoROCKS movement and paint some rocks with designs and messages intended to show kindness in our community.

Modesto Money Mavens: Couponing
Saturday, Jan. 12 at 3 p.m.
Learn tips to save money and find bargains.

Family Dinner and Movie Night
Tuesday, Jan. 15 at 6 p.m.
Pack a picnic dinner and come watch the Disney Pixar animated film, WALL-E. Refreshments & popcorn provided. Kids may attend in pajamas.

Little Hands Science
Tuesday, Jan. 22 at 4 p.m.
Monthly science experiments for ages 4 to 7. This month we will learn about ice and snow! Space is limited and registration is required. Registration begins Jan. 8. Call 209-543-7353 for more information.

Twee Book-to-Movie Club:
Movie Showing
Thursday, Jan. 24 at 3:30 p.m.
Watch the movie, read the book, and discuss! Contact the library to reserve a copy the current book club selection, How to Train Your Dragon by Cressida Cowell. Join us Jan. 24 for a showing of the DreamWorks Animation Studio film, How to Train Your Dragon, and on Feb. 28 to discuss both the book & movie. Call 209-543-7353 for more information.

*STEAM: Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Math
Great Valley Museum: Astronomy
Tuesday, Jan. 29 at 4 p.m.
Join us for a hands-on introduction to astronomy. Pinpoint constellations, learn the moon phases, explore planets in our solar system, and discover the theory of general relativity. Free tickets will be given out one hour before the event. Best for grades 3-6.

Read to a Dog
Thursday, Jan. 31 at 3 to 5 p.m.
Read to a therapy dog, certified by Therapy Dogs Alliance. Sign up starting Jan. 2 for a 10-minute slot. This program gives children a relaxed, non-judgmental atmosphere to practice reading aloud. Call 209-543-7353 for more information. Designed for independent readers up to age 12.

Turlock Library
Coloring Day
Wednesday, Jan. 2 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Stressed from the holidays? Need to relax? Add a little bit of color to your world! Drop by the library throughout the day to enjoy a fun time coloring! Come in, relax, de-stress, and set your creative side free! All materials provided.

Turlock Library Book Club
Wednesday, Jan. 2 at 10:30 a.m.
Discussion of *Clara and Mr. Tiffany* by Susan Vreeland.

Friends of the Library Meeting
Wednesday, Jan. 2 at 6:30 p.m.

Harry Potter Escape Room
Friday, Jan. 4 at 10 & 11:30 a.m., and 1:30 & 3 p.m.
Peeves has locked you in Gryffindor Tower and you have only 45 minutes to escape before the last group leaves for Hogsmade! Call 209-664-8100 to sign up for one of four sessions: 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., or 3 p.m. Space is limited and registration is required. Designed for ages 9-18. (Please note: the 11:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. sessions are advanced.)

Turlock Teens Talk Books
Saturday, Jan. 5 at 3 p.m.
Join fellow bibliophiles for monthly book discussions at the Turlock Library.

Craft-a-Palooza
Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 4 p.m.
Help us clean out our craft closet and make some crafts from the past! A variety of craft supplies will be provided, while supplies last.

Turlock Teen Advisory Board
Wednesday, Jan. 9 at 4 p.m.
Share ideas and earn community service credit.

Mystery Lovers Book Club
Friday, Jan. 11 at 10:30 a.m.
Discussion of *The Surgeon* by Tess Gerritsen.

Turlock Art Lab: Winter Forest
Tuesday, Jan. 15 at 4 p.m.
Children will be able to create winter forest landscapes using construction paper, and then applying a layering technique to their artwork.

Turlock LEGO® Day
Tuesday, Jan. 22 at 4 p.m.

Friends of the Turlock Library Annual Book Sale
Members Only: Thursday, Jan. 24 from 4 to 8 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 25 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 26 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
This popular annual book sale will be held at the First United Methodist Church at 1660 Arbor Way in Turlock. The sale begins with a Members Only Night on Thursday, Jan. 24 from 4-8 p.m. You can sign up or renew your membership at the door. The public sale will be from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 25, and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 26. Bags filled from 4-5 p.m. on Saturday are just $5 per bag. Please bring your own boxes and bags.

Family Game Day
Tuesday, Jan. 29 at 4 p.m.
Enjoy a variety of classic board games! Many library programs are sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Waterford Library

Free Knit and Crochet Classes
Wednesdays at 3 p.m.
Please call the library to RSVP: 209-874-2191.

Waterford LEGO® Day
Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 3:30 p.m.

Friends of the Library Meeting
Wednesday, Jan. 16 at 4 p.m.

Winter Yarn Hat
Thursday, Jan. 17 from 3 to 4 p.m.
Come make a colorful, small yarn hat. Give it as a gift or use it with small dolls. No tools required and all supplies provided. Ages 10 and up.

Skier Craft
Tuesday, Jan. 22 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Have a little fun in the snow with this cool skier craft. Strap on craft sticks and use toothpick poles to navigate the black diamond runs. For ages 5 and up.

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