**September 2019**

All libraries closed on Labor Day: Monday, Sept. 2

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**All Libraries**

**Anime Day Bookmark Contest**
Through Tuesday, Oct. 1
Show off your skills by designing our next Anime Day bookmark! Entry forms become available starting Aug. 27 with full details and rules. Anyone ages 10 to 18 may submit an original, anime-themed bookmark design to any Stanislaus County Library location. The winner will be announced as part of Anime Day ceremonies on Saturday, Oct. 19 at 1 p.m.

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**Ceres Library**

**Wee Move and Play**
Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 11 a.m.
Toddlers and preschoolers can enjoy playtime featuring music, movement and sensory play.

**Ceres LEGO® Day**
Thursday, Sept. 5 at 3:30 p.m.

**Teen Think Tank**
Wednesday, Sept. 11 at 3:30 p.m.
Teens, let your voices be heard! Come meet the new Ceres Librarian and share your brilliant ideas. Refreshments will be provided.

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**Collage Portraits**
Thursday, Sept. 12 at 3:30 p.m.
Children can create a collage portrait out of a wide assortment of magazine clippings.

**Teen Health and Wellness: Self Care**
Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 3 p.m.
A local certified wellness coach will lead a program on the benefits of self-care. Learn about simple and healthier self-care practices for a happy and healthy you. Following the discussion, teens can practice wellness with coloring pages that will be provided.

**Straw Towers**
Thursday, Sept. 19 at 3:30 p.m.
Practice your engineering skills by building towers out of straws and tape. How high can you build with a limited number of straws?

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**Ceres Library Book Club for Adults**
Wednesday, Sept. 25 at 11:30 a.m.

**Scribble Art**
Thursday, Sept. 26 at 3:30 p.m.
Scribble on a page, then create a unique work of art! Kids will color in shapes in their scribbles to make a vibrant and abstract pattern, or find shapes that make objects like a house or a tree.

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**Denair Library**

**Drawing Club: Manga Art**
Tuesdays, Sept. 3 and 17 from 3 to 5 p.m.
Come and learn or practice manga drawing.

**LEGO® DUPLO® Day**
Wednesdays from 12 to 3 p.m.

**Craft Day: Paper Bag Cat Puppet**
Thursday, Sept. 5 at 4 p.m.
Are you a cat lover? Make a cute kitty puppet out of a paper bag, color paper, and other craft supplies.

**Chess Club**
Wednesdays, Sept. 11 & 25 from 3 to 5 p.m.
Bring your own chess set and come play chess at the library! All experience levels welcome.

**Craft Day: Leafy Owls**
Thursday, Sept. 12 at 4 p.m.
Create a unique owl out of colorful leaves, googly eyes, and other craft materials.

**Craft Day: Wormy Apple**
Thursday, Sept. 19 at 4 p.m.
A new school year and harvest season are here. This craft will include a colorful paper apple and an accordion worm to go with it. Give it to your teacher or keep it at home to decorate.

**Craft Day: All Seasons Tree**
Thursday, Sept. 26 at 4 p.m.
The leaves are starting to change color as fall approaches. Make a festive tree using a cleverly cut paper bag and colorful paper.

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**Empire Library**

**Play Day**
Tuesday, Sept. 3 at 3:30 p.m.
Kids can join the fun with games, books, music and puppets.

**CD Dog Craft**
Thursday, Sept. 5 at 3:30 p.m.
Children can make cute dogs using CDs, felt, and other craft supplies.

**Coding Fun**
Tuesday, Sept. 10 at 3:30 p.m.
Kids will play fun, educational games designed to explore coding concepts.

**Friends of the Library Meeting**
Tuesday, Sept. 10 at 5 p.m.

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**Denair Library (cont.)**

**Balloon Car Craft**
Thursday, Sept. 12 at 3:30 p.m.
Children can create cars using cardboard, bottle caps, balloons and other craft supplies.

**Dice Games for Kids**
Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 3:30 p.m.
Families can enjoy an afternoon playing a variety of dice games for kids.

**3-D Geometric Shapes**
Thursday, Sept. 19 at 3:30 p.m.
Kids can design colorful geometric toys using paper, markers and glue.

**Build It!**
Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 3:30 p.m.
Kids can design masterpieces with foam blocks, magnetic tiles and other building materials.

**Farm Animals Craft**
Thursday, Sept. 26 at 3:30 p.m.
Children can create farm animals using a foam cup and a variety of other craft supplies.

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**Hughson Library**

**Hughson LEGO® Day**
Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 3 p.m. and Thursday, Sept. 26 at 3 p.m.

**Apple Day**
Wednesday, Sept. 25 at 3 p.m.
Make torn paper apple trees, apple stamping designs, and other apple theme crafts.

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**Keyes Library**

**Animal Mask Craft**
Thursday, Sept. 12 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Kids will be able to color and cut their very own animal masks. We will have several mask templates from which to choose.

**Seashell Decorating**
Friday, Sept. 20 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Come paint & decorate a seashell to remind you of ocean waves and water, while supplies last.

**Fall Leaf Coloring**
Thursday, Sept. 26 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Kids can color stained glass themed autumn leaves. They can also color leaves to be used as part of the library's seasonal decorations.

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*Ages 4 and under are welcome to participate in children's programs, however they must have direct parental supervision at all times.*
Modesto Library

Free Computer Classes
Excel Basics (Spreadsheets) Monday, Sept. 9 at 5 p.m.
Internet Basics Thursday, Sept. 12 at 1:30 p.m.
Excel Intermediate (Spreadsheets) Monday, Sept. 16 at 5 p.m.
Word Basics (Word Processing) Monday, Sept. 23 at 5 p.m.
Email Basics Thursday, Sept. 26 at 1:30 p.m.
Intermediate Word (Word Processing) Monday, Sept. 30 at 5 p.m.
Registration is required. Call 209-558-7814.

Modesto LEGO® Days
Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m.
Game Day
Thursday, Sept. 5 at 3:30 p.m.
Play giant versions of Jenga, dominos, & more!

Toy Story Escape Room
Monday, Sept. 9 at 3:30 and 5 p.m.
Bad news: you've been caught by Sid. Good news: you have 45 minutes before he returns to his room. Decipher codes and solve classic puzzles in order to escape. This escape room is designed for ages 8 to 18. Reservations are required and space is limited. Sign-ups start on August 29. Call 209-558-7810 to reserve your place.

Coloring Day!
Friday, Sept. 13 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Colored pencils, crayons, and designs available at the Children's Information Desk. For all ages.

The MoSt Summer Poetry Workshops:
Social Justice Saturday, Sept. 14 from 1 to 3 p.m.
Join the Modesto-Stanislaus Poetry Center (MoSt) to read and discuss various examples of poems with a distinctive point of view on a social issue, and what made them effective or artistic. Participants will also work on their own poems of social justice. All experience levels welcome.

TEEN Game Day! Oculus Rift Monday, Sept. 16 at 3:30 p.m.
The Oculus Rift Virtual Reality gear will be available for ages 13 & up in the Teen Zone. Experience the tutorial and other fun VR programs! Only ages 13 and older will be able to wear the VR headset.

Medicare Basics
Thursday, Sept. 19 at 1 p.m.
Healthcare advisor Denise Cagle will discuss basic information regarding Medicare such as what Part A and Part B cover, qualifications for enrollment eligibility, Medicare Supplement vs Medicare Advantage, and more. Bring your Medicare related questions. Sponsored by the Friends of the Modesto Library and United HealthCare.

10th Annual Local Author Fair
Saturday, Sept. 21 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
A showcase of local writing talent! Visit the library portico to meet local authors, many of whom will have their books available for purchase, including children's, teen & adult books.

Modesto Library (cont.)

Author Visit: Robert Liu-Trujillo
Saturday, Sept. 21 at 10:30 a.m.
Author Robert Liu-Trujillo will join us at Bilingual Story Time to read his book Furian's First Flat Top. Afterward, he'll talk about how he writes and illustrates books!

Hour of Code
Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 3:30 p.m.
Log on to code.org for an hour of coding activities. Bring your own device & learn some simple coding. Don't have a computer? A limited number of laptops & non-computer coding activities will be available. Best for school-aged children.

Family Book Club
Thursday, Sept. 26 at 4 p.m.
We'll discuss The Golden Age of Pirates by Bob Temple and enjoy a reading from next month's selection.

DIY Kids: Kumihimo
Friday, Sept. 27 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
This month we're crafting a keychain using the traditional Japanese braiding technique, kumihimo.

Newman Library

Friends of the Library Meeting
Tuesday, Sept. 3 at 6 p.m.
Wee Move and Play
Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.
Enjoy books, music & toys. For ages 5 & under.

Fall Slime
Tuesday, Sept. 10 from 3 to 5 p.m.
Time for some ooey gooey fun. Kick off the fall season by making some slime using little confetti leaves and glitter. Advance sign-ups are required.

Newman LEGO® Days
Thursdays, Sept. 12 and 26 at 3:30 p.m.
Boat-a-Palooza
Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 3:30 p.m.
Use your engineering skills to construct a boat using everyday objects.

STEAM* Kids: Rainsticks
Thursdays, Sept. 12 and 26 at 3:30 p.m.

Pumpkin Spice Bath Fizzies
Saturday, Sept. 28 from 2 to 4 p.m.
Fall is in the air and what better way to enjoy it than with a nice relaxing bath? Adults can create pumpkin spice bath fizzies using specialized ingredients. Advance sign-ups requested.

Oakdale Library

Kids Craft: Blast Off!
Tuesday, Sept. 3 at 3 p.m.
Kids can join us as we make balloon rockets.

Oakdale Library (cont.)

Wee Move and Play
Monday, Sept. 9 & 23 at 11 a.m.
Toddlers and preschoolers can enjoy playtime featuring music, movement and sensory play.

Kids Craft: Origami
Wednesday, Sept. 18 at 3 p.m.
Learn how to fold paper to create Origami art.

Friends of the Library Meeting
Monday, Sept. 23 at 1:30 p.m.

Microsoft Word Class (Word Processing)
Thursday, Sept. 26 at 6 p.m.
Registration is required. Call 209-847-4204.

Patterson Library

STEAM* Kids: Rainsticks
Wednesday, Sept. 4 at 3:30 p.m.
Make and decorate your own rainsticks to create the sounds of rain using cardboard tubes, aluminum foil, and rice grains.

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

Friends of the Library Meeting
Monday, Sept. 9 at 1 p.m.

Moms Club
Wednesday, Sept. 11 at 10 a.m.
This program is for stay-at-home moms and their children to meet other stay-at-home moms.

Unplugged: Family Game Day
Wednesday, Sept. 11 at 3:30 p.m.
Join us for some unplugged family fun with board games, puzzles, and other fun activities.

West Side Readers Book Club
Thursday, Sept. 12 at 1 p.m.

Crochet Club
Fridays, Sept. 13 & 27 at 3 p.m.
Learn basic crochet techniques or just come hang out with fellow enthusiasts. Please bring crochet hooks. Yarn will be provided.
**Patterson Library (cont.)**

**Kids Craft: Pet Parrot**  
Wednesday, Sept. 18 at 3:30 p.m.  
Make your own cute pet parrot using recycled cardboard tubes and feathers.

**Patterson LEGO® Day**  
Wednesday, Sept. 25 at 3:30 p.m.

**Pushing the Limits: Tradition**  
Thursday, Sept. 26 at 1 p.m.  
Join this special book club/science cafe and explore how humans push the limits of tradition. Pick up the book *Station Eleven* by Emily St. John Mandel at the library. Participants will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win a $25 gift card. Light refreshments provided.

**Riverbank Library**

**Autumn Tree Whirligigs**  
Tuesday, Sept. 3 at 3:30 p.m.  
Come make paper plate twirling whirligigs. Children will decorate their whirligigs with colorful paper fall leaves.

**Mayor’s Book Club**  
Monday, Sept. 9 at 11 a.m.  
Following Story Time, Mayor Richard O’Brien will read to preschoolers and their families.

**Art Lab: Leaf Relief**  
Tuesday, Sept. 10 at 3:30 p.m.  
This month children will make relief art using foil, paint and fall leaves.

**Friends of the Library Meeting**  
Tuesday, Sept. 10 at 5 p.m.

**Crochet Water Balloons**  
Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 3:30 p.m.  
Beet that lingering summer heat with some cool crochet fun! Crochet reusable water balloons, so you can keep the fun going all year round! Great for beginners! This craft is appropriate for ages 9 and up.

**Teen Health and Wellness: Self-Care**  
Friday, Sept. 20 at 3 p.m.  
Local teen Avni Parmar will lead you through an assessment on self-care and discuss activities to promote self-care.

**Riverbank Library Teen Book Club**  
Friday, Sept. 20 at 3:30 p.m.  
Discussion of *The Iron Trial* by Holly Black and Cassandra Clare. Light refreshments provided by the Friends of the Riverbank Library.

**Riverbank Library Book Club**  
Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 4 p.m.  
Discussion of *The Traveler’s Gift* by Andy Andrews. Ages 4 and under are welcome to participate in children’s programs, however they must have direct parental supervision at all times.

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*STEAM: Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Math*

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**Salida Library**

**Sensory Play Time**  
Tuesday, Sept. 3 at 4 p.m.  
For ages 5 & under and their caregivers. Get messy, play, and learn with your senses.

**Computer Basics**  
Thursdays, Sept. 5 and 19 at 10:30 a.m.  
Registration is required. Call 209-543-7315.

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

**Salida LEGO® Days**  
Fridays at 3 p.m.

**Family Story Time**  
Saturday, Sept. 7 at 10 a.m.  
Story Time followed by coloring or a fun craft.

**Coding Club: CS First Art**  
Mondays at 4 p.m. through Oct. 28  
Learn to code! Create animations, interactive artwork, and other artistic projects using computer science and Scratch programming. Ages 9-14 welcome. Space is limited and registration is required. Sign-ups start August 12. Call the library at 209-543-7315 for more information.

**Salida Library Book Club**  
Tuesday, Sept. 10 at 10 a.m.  
Featuring *Soldier Girls* by Helen Thorpe.

**Preschool & Toddler Dance & Play!**  
Tuesday, Sept. 10 at 4 p.m.

**Read to a Dog**  
Wednesday, Sept. 11 from 3 to 5 p.m.  
Read a story to a four-legged friend from the Therapy Dogs Alliance! Designed for independent readers up to age 12. No sign-ups required.

**Modesto Money Mavens: Couponing**  
Saturday, Sept. 14 at 3 p.m.  
Learn tips to save money and find bargains.

**Family Dinner and Movie Night**  
Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 6 p.m.  
Pack a picnic dinner and come watch the animated film *Wonder Park*. Refreshments & popcorn provided. Kids may attend in pajamas.

**Talk Like a Pirate Day**  
Thursday, Sept. 19 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
It’s National Talk Like a Pirate Day! Talk like a pirate to the librarian at the Information Desk to earn some treasure.

**Family Game Day**  
Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 4 p.m.

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**Salida Library (cont.)**

**Teen Health and Wellness: Self-Care**  
Wednesday, Sept. 25 at 4 p.m.  
Local teen Avni Parmar will lead you through an assessment on self-care and discuss activities to promote self-care.

**Turlock Library**

**STEAM® Works: Kaleidoscopes**  
Tuesday, Sept. 3 at 4 p.m.  
Join us for a reading of *City Shapes* by Diana Murray. Afterward, kids will have an opportunity to make homemade kaleidoscopes using paper rolls and colored markers.

**Art Expressions**  
Wednesdays at 1 p.m.  
Explore a different artistic technique and medium every Wednesday in Sept. For adults 18 & older.

- **Cotton Swab Art** - Sept. 4
- **Glass Staining** - Sept. 11
- **Colorful Window Art** - Sept. 18
- **Rock Painting** - Sept. 25

**Friends of the Library Meeting**  
Wednesday, Sept. 4 at 10:30 a.m.  
Featuring *The Lost Wife* by Alyson Richman.

**Ocean in a Bottle**  
Tuesday, Sept. 10 at 4 p.m.  
Create your own ocean in a bottle to take home, while supplies last.

**Turlock Teens Talk Books**  
Saturday, Sept. 7 at 3 p.m.  
Join fellow bibliophiles for monthly book discussions at the Turlock Library.

**Community Connections**  
Thursday, Sept. 12 at 12 p.m.  
Practical information for caregivers. This month’s topic is “Finding Alternative Help: What to do when Caregiving becomes too difficult.” Free lunch provided. Advance registration required. Call 209-578-6300 for more information. Presented by Community Hospice.

**Mystery Lovers Book Club**  
Friday, Sept. 13 at 10:30 a.m.  
Featuring *The Cuckoo’s Calling* by Robert Galbraith (aka J.K. Rowling.)

**Art Lab: Ship Silhouettes**  
Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 4 p.m.  
Children will create watercolor paintings in perspective using horizon lines to distinguish the sea from the sky, adding silhouettes of ships to celebrate International Talk Like a Pirate Day.

**Turlock LEGO® Day**  
Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 4 p.m.
Read to a Dog
Wednesday, Sept. 25 from 3 to 4:30 p.m.
Read a story to a four-legged friend. Drop in to read to a certified therapy dog for 15 minutes! No sign ups necessary. First come, first served. This program gives children a relaxed, non-judgemental atmosphere in which to practice reading aloud. Please call 209-864-8100 for more information. For independent readers up to age 12.

Waterford Library
Grandparents Day Craft
Tuesday, Sept. 3 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Kids will make thoughtful gifts using cardstock, paint and handprints to show appreciation for their grandparents. Ages 5 and up.

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

Waterford LEGO® Day
Tuesday, Sept. 10 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Create your own magic trick using cardstock and paperclips. Ages 5 and up.

Friends of the Library Meeting
Wednesday, Sept 18 at 4 p.m.

Q-Tip Art
Thursday, Sept. 19 from 3 to 4 p.m.

Balance Man Craft
Tuesday, Sept. 24 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Have you heard about Zip Books?
Zip Books is a service for customers to request books and audiobooks that are not in the Library’s catalog. The item is delivered directly to your home for a three-week checkout, free of charge, using Amazon Prime.

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Story Times and Community Library Information

Ceres – 2250 Magnolia St. 209-537-8938
Mon: 10-8 Tues-Thurs: 10-6 Fri & Sat: 10-5
Preschool Story Time – Tues at 10:30 a.m.
Wiggle Worms – Wed at 10:30 a.m.

Denair – 4801 Kersey Rd. 209-634-1283
Tues-Thurs: 12-6 Fri & Sat: 11-5
Story Times will resume in October.

Empire – 18 South Abbie 209-524-5505
Tues-Thurs: 12-6 Fri & Sat: 11-5
Preschool Story Time – Wed at 10:30 a.m.

Hughson – 2412 A Third St. 209-883-2293
Tues-Thurs: 12-6 Fri & Sat: 11-5
Preschool Story Time – Thurs at 10:30 a.m.

Keyes – 4420 Maud Ave. 209-664-8006
Mon-Wed: 9-5:30 Thurs: 9-7:30 Fri: 9-5
Preschool Story Time – Wed at 11:50 a.m.

Modesto – 1500 I St. 209-558-7800
Mon-Thurs: 10-8 Fri & Sat: 10-5
Wiggle Worms – Mon at 10:15 & 11:15 a.m. & Tues at 10:15 & 11:15 a.m.
Preschool Story Time – Mon at 10:15 & 11:15 a.m.
Bilingual Story Time – Thurs at 6:15 p.m. & Sat at 10:15 a.m.

Newman Library – 1305 Kern St. 209-862-2010
Tues: 12-8 Wed-Sat: 10-5
Preschool Story Time – Wed at 10 a.m.

Oakdale –151 S. First Ave. 209-847-4204
Mon: 10-6 Tues: 10-8 Wed: 10-6 Thurs: 10-8 Fri: 10-6 Sat: 10-5
Wiggle Worms – Tues at 10:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time – Wed at 10:30 a.m.

Patterson – 46 North Salado 209-892-6473
Mon & Tues: 10-6 Wed: 10-8 Thurs & Fri: 10-5 Sat: 12-5
Wiggle Worms – Mon at 10 a.m.
Preschool Story Time – Tues at 10 a.m.

Riverbank – 3442 Santa Fe St. 209-869-7008
Mon: 10-5 Tues: 10-6 Wed: 10-8 Thurs: 10-6 Fri: 10-5 Sat: 12-5
Preschool Story Time – Mon at 10:30 a.m.
Bilingual Story Time – Tues at 10:30 a.m.

Salida – 4835 Sisk Rd. 209-543-7353
Mon & Tues: 10-8 Wed & Thurs: 10-6 Fri & Sat: 10-5
Wiggle Worms – Wed at 10 a.m.
Preschool Story Time – Thurs at 10 a.m.

Turlock – 550 Minaret Ave. 209-664-8100
Mon-Wed: 10-8 Thurs-Sat:10-5
Wiggle Worms – Wed at 10 a.m.
Preschool Story Time – Thurs at 10 a.m.

Waterford – 324 E St. 209-874-2191
Mon & Tues: 10-6 Wed: 10-8 Thurs & Fri: 10-5 Sat: 12-5
Preschool Story Time – Tues at 10 a.m.

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