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February Events at the Nick W. Blom Salida Regional Library

Community members can enjoy free programs at the Nick W. Blom Salida Regional Library this February, beginning with free Computer Basics classes on Thursdays, Feb. 1 and 15 at 10:30 a.m. Advance registration is required; please call (209) 543-7315 to sign up.

“Wee Move and Play” will be held on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. This program features unstructured playtime, during which toddlers and preschoolers can enjoy music, movement and sensory play.

A stuffed animal sleepover will take place on Friday, Feb. 2. At 3:30 p.m. children can enjoy a special Story Time before leaving their stuffed animals for the night. At 1 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 3, children can return to the library to see what their stuffed animals did during night. Please call 209-543-7353 to sign up.

Community members are invited to receive free tax preparation assistance from IRS trained Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) volunteers on Mondays from 4 to 7:30 p.m. Tax prep sessions will be held Feb. 5 through March 26. Advance registration is required. Please call 209-543-7315 to sign up.

The library will host Mo Willems Week Feb. 5 through 10. Throughout the week, children who find Pigeon hiding in the library will earn a prize. On Tuesday, Feb. 6 at 4 p.m. children can visit the library for a reading of popular Mo Willems stories, followed by crafts inspired by the characters.

Teens can join the library’s study group on Wednesdays, Feb. 7 and 21 at 4:30 p.m. Tables will be reserved for study time, and snacks will be provided.

The Tween Chocolate Games will be held on Thursday, Feb. 8 at 4 p.m. Ages 9 to 12 can enjoy chocolate themed sports, including chocolate sorting, M&M’s[®] Candy relay races, and more.

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All ages are invited to the Circus of Smiles event on Saturday, Feb. 10 at 2:30 p.m. This free show is designed to bring the fun of the circus to the library. This show is ideal for preschool age children and up.

The Modesto Money Mavens will offer a free couponing class on Saturday, Feb. 10 at 3 p.m. Participants will learn how to find bargains and save money.

Ages 13 to 18 are invited to experience virtual gaming technology with the library's Oculus Rift virtual reality headset on Monday, Feb. 12 at 4 p.m. This event will be first come, first served.

The Salida Library Book Club will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 10 a.m. to discuss *The Paris Wife* by Paula McLain. A limited number of copies will be available for checkout at the library's Circulation Desk. Please call 209-543-7315 for more information.

Preschoolers and toddlers are invited to dance and play on Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 4 p.m. The program will feature shakers, scarves, and Story Time music.

Children can make Valentine's Day cards on Wednesday, Feb. 14 at 4 p.m. Following a reading of *The Day it Rained Hearts* by Felicia Bond, the library will provide materials for children to make valentines for family and friends,

Teen Zombie Attack will be held on Saturday, Feb. 17 at 2 p.m. Teens can party with zombies through games, zombie target practice, and more.

Family Dinner and Movie Night will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 20 at 6 p.m. Families are invited to bring a picnic dinner to a showing of the movie *Despicable Me 3*. Participants are encouraged to bring a blanket on which to sit, and children may come in pajamas. The library will provide a beverage and popcorn.

The Salida Tween Book Club will meet on Thursday, Feb. 22 at 4 p.m. The program will feature a discussion of *Cleopatra in Space, Book 3: Secret of the Time Tablets* by Mike Mairhack, as well as games and activities. The Tween Book Club is designed for ages 9 to 12. Please contact the Salida Library at 209-543-7353 to reserve a copy of the graphic novel.

The Salida Teen Advisory Board meeting will be held on Saturday, Feb. 24 at 3 p.m. Teens can share their ideas on teen library programs and services, while earning community service credit.

The library will host Dr. Seuss Week Feb. 26 through March 3. Children who find the Cat in the Hat's missing hat will win a prize.

Children can build and play with LEGO® bricks on Tuesday, Feb. 27 at 4 p.m. Children under 4 are welcome to participate, however they must have direct parental supervision.

Children's programs are sponsored by the Friends of the Salida Library. The Salida Library is located at 4835 Sisk Road. For more information, please call the Salida Library supervisor, Wayne Philbrook, at (209) 543-7353.

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