

## Stanislaus County Library

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## **July Events at the Hughson Library**

Community members are invited to participate in free events at the Hughson Library this July.

Preschool Story Time will be held on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. Story Times feature new and classic picture books, flannel board and puppet stories, fingerplays, music and dancing, for preschoolers ages 3 to 5 and their caregivers, however all ages are welcome.

Families can enjoy a free performance from ventriloquist Tony Borders on Thursday, July 5 at 1 p.m. This imaginative show will feature a talkative map, animals from around the world, music and more. This program is sponsored by the Stanislaus Library Foundation.

The Summer Read Share program will be held on Tuesday, July 10 at 1 p.m. All ages are invited to share their favorite summer books. Participants will receive recommendations on books to take to the beach, on vacation, or to lounge with at home. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Hughson Library.

The "Around the World" programs will continue this July, inspired by this year's Summer Reading Challenge theme of "Reading Takes You Everywhere." The program on Wednesday, July 11 from 2 to 4 p.m. will feature the continent of Europe. Children can make paper windmills, paper nesting dolls, handprint tulips, and build the Leaning Tower of Pisa out of cups. Participants will also learn games from Finland and Sweden, and play a round of London Bridge. On Wednesday, July 18 from 2 to 4 p.m. children will learn about the continent of North America by making stick mounties, bald eagle paper bags, maracas, and dreamcatchers. Children can also play indoor hockey, Miss Mary Mack, Las Chivas (Beans), and Quaquatsewa-iu (Stick Drop). Children will learn about South American cultures on Wednesday, July 25 from 2 to 4 p.m. The program will feature South American inspired crafts, such as rainsticks and worry dolls, as well as music and books. These programs are sponsored by the Friends of the Hughson Library.

Community members are invited to join the library on Thursday, July 12 from 12 to 6 p.m. for the "Hughson Library Gives Back" program. The library is inviting people to help give back to the community by painting rocks to spread inspirational messages and images of kindness, writing letters or drawing pictures for

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military service people and community helpers, and more. For information about service opportunities, please call the library at 209-883-2293.

Tuesday, July 17 from 2 to 4 p.m. is Little House on the Prairie Day at the Hughson Library. This event is designed to help children and teens experience the way Laura Ingalls and her family played, worked, and learned. Each participant is invited to make a button necklace, quill pen, and a jar of butter. Participants will also have an opportunity to build log cabins and covered wagons out of craft sticks. The program will feature games played by pioneer children, including a game of marbles. Little House on the Prairie Day is sponsored by the Friends of the Hughson Library.

A LEGO<sup>®</sup> Day will be held on Tuesday, July 24 from 2 to 3 p.m. Finished LEGO<sup>®</sup> creations will be displayed in the library. Children under the age of 4 must have direct parental supervision. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Hughson Library.

The Hughson Library is located at 2412 A Third St. For more information, please contact the Hughson Library supervisor, Heather Bailey, at 209-883-2293.

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