

STANISLAUS COUNTY LIBRARY

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February Events at the Keyes Library

The Keyes Library will offer free programs for all ages this February, beginning with the month-long "What's Cooking" Recipe exchange. Cooking enthusiasts may stop by the library to pick up the recipes of the month and drop off a recipe for a chance to have the recipe featured in March.

Library customers can learn how to download free eBooks using the 3M Cloud Library app on Feb. 2 from 9 to 10 a.m. and Feb. 5 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Library staff will available at this time demonstrate how to use this free program and answer any questions.

The library will offer a selection of Valentine's Day themed crafts throughout the month, beginning with a Valentine Card Craft on Feb. 4 at 1 p.m. This craft is designed for children and tweens. A Hershey's Kiss Rose Craft for children, tweens and teens will take place on Feb. 11 at 1 p.m. Crafters will learn how to turn Hershey's Kisses into "roses" for Valentine's Day. Tweens can stop by the library on Feb. 12 at 3 p.m. to make a festive Heart Wreath. These crafts are sponsored by the Friends of the Keyes Library.

Children ages 4 and up can play with LEGOs at the library on Feb. 5 at 3 p.m. Finished creations will be displayed at the library. LEGO play at the library helps children develop early math and engineering skills. This LEGO program is sponsored by the Friends of the Keyes Library.

The Crazy 8's Math Club will meet this month on Tuesdays at 3 p.m. Kindergartners through fifth graders will build math skills by participating in fun educational activities, beginning with "Time of Your Life" on Feb. 3. Children will explore time in varying increments, from lining up in birthday order, to "being a clock," and racing against the clock to complete silly stunts. Preschoolers may also participate in Crazy 8's Math Club on Feb. 3 by building marshmallow launchers to experiment with distance. "Toilet Paper Olympics" will be held on Feb. 10. Participants will learn how to measure distances through such activities as the toilet paper shot put, long jump, and relay race. During the "Toiler Paper Olympics" preschoolers may play with bouncy dice and learn basic concepts of probability. On Feb. 17 the library will host "Spy Training" in which children will solve coded messages, find treasure, encode their phone numbers, and solve puzzles. Children can learn about distances with the "Flying Marshmallow" program on Feb. 24 by building marshmallow catapults and slingshots using provided craft materials.

The Keyes Library is located on 4420 Maud Ave. in Keyes. For more information, please call (209) 664-8006.