

STANISLAUS COUNTY LIBRARY

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March Events at the Oakdale Library

Community members are invited to visit the Oakdale Library for a number of free programs, beginning with a celebration of Dr. Seuss' birthday on March 2 at 3:30 p.m. Participants can listen to favorite Dr. Seuss tales as selected by library staff, make a wacky hat, and enjoy a piece of "Seuss-ical" cake. Children can also hunt for the Cat's Hat March 2 - 5; those who find the Cat's Hat in the library will win a prize.

Oakdale Library's Crazy 8's Math Club will meet this month on Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m. The Crazy 8's Math Club helps children learn early math skills through fun and creative activities. "Glow in the Dark City" will take place on March 3. Children will build a giant skyscraper out of glow sticks and Styrofoam balls, then branch out into pyramids and other 3-D shapes. Participants can "Ramp It Up" on March 10 by using long foam tubes to build superball ramps. Children will measure to find out how high a hill or loop the superball can handle, and race to see whose track is fastest. The "Funny Money" program on March 17 will encourage children to play and learn with coins in a number of unique ways. Math and art will collide in the "Supercube Shuffle" on March 24. Children will use colored cubes to create funky designs and test their memory by mimicking the patterns of others. The month concludes with "Epic Air Traffic Control" on March 31. Participants will build their own airports, complete with finger-light airplanes and glow stick runways; children will use their mathematical skills to "land" the planes without crashing.

Teens can prepare for the release of the movie *Insurgent*, based on the young adult novel by Veronica Roth, with a party at the library on March 9 at 3:30 p.m. Participants can take a test to determine their place in the novel's faction system. Teens can also create buttons or paint their nails to demonstrate their faction affiliation.

Children of all ages can build with the library's LEGOs on March 12 at 3:30 p.m. Completed LEGO creations will be displayed in the library. Children under the age of 4 are welcome to participate, however they must have direct parental supervision at all times.

Kindergarten through third grade students and their families are invited to "Building STEAM with Día: Paint a Masterpiece" on March 19 at 3:30 p.m. Following a reading and discussion of *The Favorite Daughter* by A. Say, children will have the opportunity to create a unique painting. Refreshments will be served. "Building STEAM With Día" is made possible through a grant from the Dollar General Literacy Foundation and the Association for Library

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Service to Children (ALSC).

On March 24 the Oakdale Library Book Club will offer two opportunities to discuss this month's selection: *Don't Let's Go to the Dogs* by Alexandra Fuller. Participants can choose from the 11:30 a.m. meeting or the 6:30 p.m. meeting. Light refreshments will be provided.

A "Kid's Craft" will take place on March 26 at 6:30 p.m. Children can use the library's craft materials to create a vibrant rainbow collage.

These programs are sponsored by the Friends of the Oakdale Library. The Oakdale Library is located at 151 S. First Ave. in Oakdale. For more information, please call (209) 847-4204.

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