

Stanislaus County Library

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Teen Read Week Celebrations at Stanislaus County Libraries

Libraries will offer programs celebrating teens, reading, and the Teen Read Week theme, "It's Written in the Stars...READ!"

This year's Young Adult Library Services Association's (YALSA) Teen Read Week is Oct. 7 through 13, and to celebrate, local area libraries will offer crafts and activities designed specifically for teens. The celebration will culminate in the Stanislaus County Library's annual Anime Day celebration on Saturday, Oct. 20.

At the Hughson Library, teens can enjoy galaxy themed programs, beginning with the buttons, pencils, and rings craft on Tuesday, Oct. 9 at 3 p.m. Crafters can make buttons, stained glass rings, and marbled pencils using nail polish. On Wednesday, Oct. 10 from 3 to 5 p.m. ages 15 and up are invited to a galaxy party, sponsored by the Friends of the Hughson Library. The event will feature a variety of crafts, including galaxy slime, moon rocks, glitter planet magnets, anti-gravity bottles, and Nebula jars. Participants will also have the opportunity to play "Drop the Asteroid" and a game of Saturn rings. Milky Way® candy bars will be served. The Hughson Library is located at 2412 A Third St. For more information, please contact Heather Bailey at 209-883-2293.

The Modesto Library will offer a "Book in a Jar" contest from Oct. 8 through 13. Teens ages 13 to 18 can visit the library's teen area to view a jar containing miscellaneous quotes from a single book. Using the quotes as clues, teens are invited to guess the book's title. Correct guesses will be entered into a prize drawing.

Teens at the Oakdale Library can take part in a galaxy craft on Monday, Oct. 8 at 3 p.m. Crafters will have an opportunity to make galaxy-themed painted rocks and tea light holders. The Oakdale Library is located at 151 S. First Ave. For more information, please call the library supervisor, Karina Mendoza, at 209-847-4204.

A decorative bookend craft will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 10 at 4 p.m. at the Nick W. Blom Salida Regional Library. Teens ages 12 to 18 are invited to share their artistic abilities by decorating bookends for the library's Teen Corner. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Salida Library. Salida Library is located at 4835 Sisk Road. For more information, please call the library supervisor, Wayne Philbrook, at 209-543-7353.

This year's Anime Day event will be held in the Salida Library Community Room from 12 to 4 p.m. on Oct. 20. The event will feature food, crafts, activities, and a viewing of the anime movie *The Boy and the Beast*. Cosplay is welcome, but not required. The winner of the anime bookmark contest will be announced during the event at 1:30 p.m. Anime Day is sponsored by the Stanislaus Library Foundation. For more information, please contact the Children and Teen Services Department at 209-558-7810.

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"We celebrate Teen Read Week not only to remind our local teens that the library is a great place to find their new favorite book characters, but to encourage them to explore what other resources libraries have to offer," said Michele Machado, librarian trainee in the Modesto Library Children and Teen Services Department. "Libraries are places for creators and dreamers, as well as readers, and we want to share that with our teens."

All Teen Read Week programs are free, and do not require advance registration to participate. Information on regularly occurring library programs can be found at www.stanislauslibrary.org, under the "Events and Classes" tab.

About the Stanislaus County Library

The Stanislaus County Library engages all members of the community and offers access to information, knowledge, and the tools for innovation and personal development. With 13 locations throughout the county, the Library offers free access to a diverse collection of materials, computer access and Wi-Fi, Story Times, programming for all ages, and more. To learn more about the Library's wide array of programs and services, visit www.stanislauslibrary.org.