



STANISLAUS COUNTY LIBRARY

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March Programs at the Modesto Library

Visitors to the Modesto Library this March can participate in a number of free activities, beginning with the month-long March (Book) Madness tournament. The tournament will begin with thirty-two popular titles, matched up in sixteen brackets. Teens and adults are encouraged to cast their votes for their favorite book in each bracket. Participants can vote in the library, or online at the Stanislaus County Library's Facebook page. The books with the most votes in each bracket will progress to the next round each week, until one book is declared the winner.

The Modesto Library will celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday March 2 – 7. Families can visit the Children's Room throughout the week for Dr. Seuss-themed crafts and activities. Children who find the Cat's Hat in the Children's Room will win a prize.

All ages can build LEGO displays for the library on March 11, 18 and 25 at 3:30 p.m. LEGO play helps children build basic engineering skills while engaging their imaginations. Children under the age of four are welcome to participate, however they must have direct parental supervision.

March 14 – 19 is Happiness Week at the library. Customers are invited to enjoy free compliments, inspirations, and uplifting quotes. Participants may also contribute to the library's "Happiness Wall" by writing down what inspires his or her happiness.

The *Civil War 150* movie screening will be held on Wednesday, March 25 at 7 p.m. The library will show the film *Lincoln and Lee at Antietam*. The *Civil War 150* project is presented by The Library of America, in partnership with The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History, and is supported by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Scrapbooking Fun, lead by local scrapbooker Anna Soto, will take place on March 28 from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Participants are encouraged to bring their own photographs and materials to personalize their scrapbooks, however a limited number of materials will be provided at the program. In addition to the creative outlet scrapbooking provides, participants will also have the opportunity to win free prizes.

The Modesto Library is located at 1500 I Street in Modesto. Free parking is available in the parking lot behind the library and on surrounding streets. For more information, please contact the Modesto Library at (209) 558-7814.

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