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March Events at the Nick W. Blom Salida Regional Library

The Nick W. Blom Salida Regional Library will offer a number of free activities for children and adults this March.

Dance Exercise classes will be held in the Salida Library's Community Room on Mondays at 6 p.m. Dance Exercise is taught by certified instructors and is offered through a partnership with Sierra Vista Child and Family Services. Participants must complete a waiver.

Celebrate Black History with a special theatrical performance at the library on Tuesday, March 3 at 6 p.m. Sankofa, Modesto's only black theater company will perform an excerpt from the play, "The Journey... the African American Experience." The story begins in Africa, and depicts the journey to America, slavery, the Civil War, Harlem Renaissance, the civil rights movement through the election of the first African American president of the United States.

Children and their families can enjoy the works of Dr. Seuss on Tuesday, March 3. At 4 p.m. the library will celebrate Earth Day with a reading *The Lorax*, followed by a related craft. At 5 p.m. the library will host Independence Charter School's Family Literacy Night. This event will focus on early childhood literacy skills and will include crafts and a Dr. Seuss character photo opportunity.

The Friends of the Salida Library will host a used book sale on Thursday, March 5 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, March 7 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Shoppers can choose from a wide range of books for all ages, at bargain prices.

The Salida Library's Book Club will discuss Walter Mosley's *Devil in a Blue Dress* on Tuesday, March 10 at 10 a.m. Interested parties can visit the library's circulation desk to take advantage of the copies available for checkout, though please note that supplies are limited. Call Isabel at (209) 543-7315 for more information.

Toddlers and preschoolers can participate in the "Wee Move and Play" program on Tuesday, March 10 at 4 p.m. This program features an hour of music, movement, and sensory play. "Wee Move and Play is sponsored by the Friends of the Salida Library.

The library will offer a free informational program on March 11 at 1 p.m. entitled "Alzheimer's--Know the 10

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Warning Signs: Early Detection Matters.” This program will focus on the symptoms of Alzheimer’s, a fatal brain disease that causes a slow decline in memory, thinking and reasoning skills. This program will provide information about the warning signs and the importance of early detection.

The Modesto Money Mavens will host a free couponing class on Saturday, March 14 at 3:30 p.m. Participants will learn how to find bargains and save money.

The library will host Family Dinner and Movie Night on Tuesday, March 17 at 6 p.m. Families are invited to bring a picnic dinner to the library’s showing of *The Lorax*. Participants are encouraged to bring a blanket on which to sit, and children may come in pajamas. The library will provide a beverage and popcorn. Family Dinner and Movie Night is supported by the Friends of the Salida Library.

All ages are invited to enjoy an afternoon of LEGO play at the library on Tuesday, March 24 at 4 p.m. DUPLO blocks will be available for children under the age of 4, however they must be supervised by a parent or adult guardian. LEGO programs are sponsored by the Friends of the Salida Library.

The *Civil War 150* movie screening will be held on Saturday, March 28 at 2 p.m. The library will show the film *Shenandoah*. 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.

Community members can learn about Latino culture with the library on Tuesday, March 31 for Día de los Niños, or the Day of the Child. This free event will involve a unique craft, as well as music, dance and games from Mexico.

To take advantage of this month’s programming, please visit the Salida Library at 4835 Sisk Road. For more information, please call (209) 543-7353.

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