### Check It Out: Colusa County Free Library Newsletter





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## BECOME A FRIEND OF THE LIBRARY!

The Friends of the Colusa County Free Library support library services, collections, programs and generate community interest. To become a Friend, pick up an application at the Main Branch Library in Colusa, or download one from the Colusa County Free Library website.

#### STAY UP-TO-DATE ON LIBRARY PROGRAMS

To stay up-to-date on all library offerings, visit the Colusa County Free Library's website at www.countyofcolusa.org/library, Instagram Account @colcolib, or Facebook Page at @colusacountyfreelibrary

## THE SUMMER OF SPACE

This summer is chockablock full of fun programming for readers of all ages and abilities! The theme: *Summer of Space* which is intended to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of man's first steps on the moon has lent itself to a wide variety of group programs and experiences.

The benefits of summer reading are clear. National research from Dominican University finds that students who participate in public library summer reading programs scored higher on reading achievement tests at the beginning of the next school year than those who did not participate. Likewise, parents of children enrolled in the public library summer reading program reported that their children spent more time reading over the summer, read more confidently and more books overall, and were well prepared for school in the fall.

To succeed in school and life, children and young adults need ongoing opportunities to learn and practice essential skills. Summer reading programs remind kids that reading is for fun—as well as for learning. There's so much to see, so much to do at your library! There's no better place to take your kids.

Children ages 6-12 are encouraged to enroll in the **Universe of Stories Summer Reading Program**. Hosted at all of the seven branch locations, the participants will explore the far reaches of the universe and travel out of this world. Stories, coupled with STEAM activities will supply a universe of fun and learning. The annual SRP is sponsored by the Friends of the Colusa County Free Library. You can register through June 3, at any of the branch locations. The program schedule is as follows:

Princeton, 6/11-7/23, Tuesdays, 11:30am-12:30pm Grimes, 6/11-7/23, Tuesdays, 4:00-5:00pm Colusa, 6/12-7/24, Wednesdays, 1:00-2:30pm Arbuckle, 6/12-7/27, Wednesdays, 5:00-6:00pm Williams, 6/13-8/1, Thursdays, 1:00-2:00pm Maxwell, 6/13-8/1, Thursdays, 2:30-3:30pm Stonyford, 6/13-8/1, Thursdays, 3:00-4:00pm

#### STAFF SPOTLIGHT: CASSANDRA GONZALEZ



There's a new face at the Colusa Library. Arbuckle-native Cassandra has worked for the library system for three months.

After graduating from UC Santa Barbara in 2015 with a Bachelor's of Arts in English, Cassie, obtained her real estate license and is still a practicing Realtor when she finds the time between her hobbies of reading, painting, and hiking.

Currently, Cassie is attending CSU San Jose where she is working to obtain her Master's in Library and Information Science. and is the Vice President of the Arbuckle Revitalization Committee.

Harry Potter is her favorite book series.

Two things Cassie loves about working for the library, are implementing Story Time in Arbuckle and Williams, and assisting patrons in their search for a book or audiobook. "I enjoy reading and love to help others enjoy it as well."

This summer, Cassie will implement a Universe of Stories Summer Reading Program in Arbuckle (Wednesdays, 5:00-6:00pm); Williams (Thursdays, 1:00-2:00pm), and Grimes (Tuesdays, 4:00-5:00pm).



#### FRIDAY FUN-DAY!



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Each Friday beginning at 1:00pm, children's films with themes about space will be shown at the Colusa Library! Join us for our first film viewing on June 14 to enjoy Toy Story. No registration is necessary.

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### LUNCH AT THE LIBRARY

Lunch at the Library is keeping California's kids healthy, fed, and engaged during the summer months when school is out. For many children the stability and nutrition offered by the lunches they get at school ends when school lets out for summer vacation. Summer meal programs at the library help combat childhood hunger and obesity by providing free, healthy meals to children, as well as fun, educational learning opportunities, filling both their bellies and their minds!

The California Summer Meal Coalition (CSMC) and California Library Association (CLA) are working with libraries across California to offer summer meals and programming designed to provide nourishment and help prevent summer learning loss for children and teens.

Libraries are natural spaces for serving meals to children whose access to lunch disappears when school ends and summer begins. Libraries are community spaces in the heart of the neighborhood. They welcome all and they provide access, free of charge, to resources that support the community's lifelong needs.

Due to generous funding provided by the CSMC and CLA, the Colusa County Free Library will again offer Free Lunch at the Library for children aged birth-18 on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from noon-12:45pm. This program will run from June 10 through August 2; for questions or comments call 458-0372.



#### SUMMER LITERACY PROGRMS



Back by popular demand, the Colusa County Free Library Literacy Program is offering a Book to Movie Club at the main branch in Colusa! Ten participants (grades 4-8) will get copies of three books to read and discuss in weekly meetings. After each title is completed, the movie adaptations will be viewed, and attendees will compare and contrast versions of the stories—that of screen vs. book. Summer 2019's chosen tomes are James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl, Mary Poppins Comes Back by P.L. Travers, and the Virginia Yerxa

Community Read pick of *Charlotte's Web* by E.B. White. The B2MC will meet Wednesdays from 1:00pm-2:00pm, starting June 12 through July 24. The B2MC is generously sponsored by Premier Mushrooms, Inc. for the fourth year in a row! Registration began May 14 and will be capped at 10 participants.



This year the 0–5 summer reading program, **Little Stars**, put on by the Literacy Program in partnership with CAPC Colusa is expanding to include Colusa, Williams and Maxwell. Contact those libraries for enrollment information, as space is limited.

Join us for the Summer Art Camp with our artist -in-residence Cindy! Each week, children ages 8-14 will learn about different artworks and mediums, and make their own take-home



creations. Registration is required and space is limited; call 458-0375, or stop by your library.



Science Café's provide the novice an opportunity to engage with an expert scientist in a relaxed setting. The Q&A sessions are not long lectures with a passive audience listening, but instead participatory and lively discussions on the chosen topic!

Discuss the **Nature of the Universe** with UC Davis
Theoretical Physicist, **Dr. Andreas Albrecht**.

July 11, 6:00-7:30 ♦♦♦ Morse Conference Room, Colusa

#### RECOMMENDED READS

This series is the perfect way to introduce basic scientific concepts to even the youngest scientist!



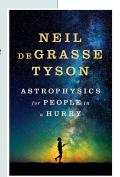


On August 6, 2012, the rover *Curiosity* touched down on the rocky surface of Mars — and now she's ready to guide you through her journey firsthand and detail what she's been doing there.



Out-of-this-world antics in this hysterical middlegrade adventure! Colusa native, Nathan Bransford's Jacob Wonderbar series is sure to be a hit!

What is the nature of space and time? Today, few of us have time to contemplate the cosmos, so Tyson brings the universe down to Earth with sparkling wit, in clear and easy to read chapters.



# June & July Youth Programs

#### LITTLE STARS READING PROGRAM

6/10-7/22 • Colusa • Mon • 11:00-11:45am 6/13-7/25 • Williams • Thurs • 10-10:45am 6/13-7/25 • Maxwell • Thurs • 12-12:45pm Children aged birth-5 will learn about our universe in this summer reading program! Just in time for the 50th Anniversary of the Apollo 11 Moon Landing! Registration is capped at 15 children per site; call your local library for info.

#### COLUSA SPECTRUM STORY TIME

**Starts 6/10 • Mondays • 1:00-1:45pm** Spectrum Story Time is geared towards children with special needs and their caregiver, who may prefer story time conducted in a quiet and calm atmosphere. Call 458-0710.

#### SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Princeton • Tuesdays • 11:30am-12:30pm Grimes • Tuesdays • 4:00-5:00pm Colusa • Wednesdays • 1:00-2:30pm Arbuckle • Wednesdays • 5:00-6:00pm Williams • Thursdays • 1:00-2:00pm Maxwell • Thursdays • 2:30-3:30pm Stonyford • Thursdays • 3:00-4:00pm Join us for A Universe of Stories Summer Reading Program at all seven branches! This 7-week space-themed program is for ages 6-12, and will begin the week of June 10 at all branches. Registration ends June 3; to enroll stop by your local branch or call 458-0711.

#### COLUSA CUENTOS STORY TIME

**6/12-7/31 • Wednesdays • 11:15-11:45am** Join us for a fun afternoon of stories, crafts, and songs in this bilingual story time. Open to children of all ages! Call 458-0711.

#### COLUSA FAMILY STORY TIME

#### Thursdays • 6:30-7:30pm

Join us for a fun evening of stories, crafts, and songs. Open to children of all ages! Call 458-0711 for more information.

#### COLUSA LEGO CLUB

**6/14-8/2 • Fridays • 11:00am-Noon**Join us each Friday for Lego Club! Here, participants will create structures based on the month's theme, and their own imaginative creations. This program is for all ages, and all materials are provided. No registration necessary; call 458-0711.

#### **COLUSA FILM FRIDAYS**

6/14-8/2 • Fridays • 1:00-3:00pm

Bring snacks and a pillow for a space-themed movie at the Colusa Library! Each Friday will feature a different children's film, exploring the universe around us. First up, *Toy Story* on June 14. No registration necessary.

#### **ART CAMP**

Arbuckle • Tuesdays • 10:30am-Noon
Williams • Tuesdays • 1:30-3:00pm
Colusa • Tuesdays • 3:30-5:00pm
Princeton • Wednesdays • 9:00-10:30am
Stonyford • Wednesdays • 12:30-2:00pm
Maxwell • Wednesdays • 3:15-4:45pm
Grimes • Thursdays • 2:30-4:00pm
Over four weeks, children ages 8-14 will learn about different artworks and mediums, and make their own take-home creations.
Registration is required and space is limited; call 458-0375 or stop by your library.

#### COLUSA VIRTUAL REALITY

#### 1st Saturday • 10:00-12:00pm

Patrons ages 13+ are invited to participate in Virtual Reality at the Colusa Library! Participants must have a parental consent waiver signed before they can use the virtual reality equipment. Call 458-0712.

#### COLUSA SENSATIONAL SATURDAY

#### 3rd Saturday • 10:00-12:00pm

Sensational Saturday has games and activities geared towards children and families of all abilities. Call 458-0710.

# August Youth Programs

#### MAXWELL FAMILY STORY TIME

**Starts 8/20 • Tuesdays • 3:00-3:45pm** Beginning August 20, join us for a fun afternoon of stories, crafts, and songs. Open to children of all ages! Call 458-0711 for more information.

#### COLUSA SPECTRUM STORY TIME

**Starts 8/20 • Tuesdays • 4:30-5:15pm** Spectrum Story Time is geared towards children with special needs and their caregiver, who may prefer story time conducted in a quiet and calm atmosphere. Call 458-0710.

#### COLUSA CUENTOS STORY TIME

**Starts 8/7 • Wednesdays • 11:45am-12:30** Join us for a fun afternoon of stories, songs and activities in this bilingual story time. Open to children of all ages! Call 458-0711.

#### ARBUCKLE FAMILY STORY TIME

**Starts 8/21 • Wednesdays • 3:00-3:45pm** Join us for a fun afternoon of stories, crafts, and songs. Open to children of all ages! Call 476-2526 for more information.

#### COLUSA STEAM PROGRAM

**Starts 8/21 • Wednesdays • 3:00-4:30pm** The STEAM Program which is for grades 3-5, focuses on fun projects based on Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics! No registration necessary; call 458-0711.

#### WILLIAMS FAMILY STORY TIME

**Starts 8/21• Wednesdays • 4:30-5:15pm** Beginning August 21, join us for a fun afternoon of stories, crafts, and songs. Open to children of all ages! Call 473-5955 for more information.

#### RAISING A READER

8/15-10/17 • Colusa • Thurs • 10-10:45am 8/15-10/17 • Maxwell • Thurs • 12-12:45pm 8/16-10/18 • Williams • Fri • 12-12:45pm Raising A Reader is a nationally recognized birth-5 literacy program that promotes early language and literacy development. The 10week program includes weekly story times and book bag rotations. Put on in partnership with First 5 Colusa. Registration from 8/1-8/29; call 458-0373 or stop by the library to register.

#### **COLUSA FAMILY STORY TIME**

**Colusa • Thursdays • 6:30-7:30pm**Join us for a fun evening of stories, crafts, and songs. Open to children of all ages! Call 458-0711 for more information.

#### COLUSA VIRTUAL REALITY

#### 1st Saturday • 10:00-12:00pm

Patrons ages 13+ are invited to participate in Virtual Reality at the Colusa Library!
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#### COLUSA SENSATIONAL SATURDAY

#### 3rd Saturday • 10:00-12:00pm

Families are invited to the Colusa Library the third Saturday of each month for a day filled with fun! Sensational Saturday has games, activities, and art projects geared towards children and families of all abilities. Call 458-0710.

#### COLUSA LEGO CLUB

#### 4th Saturday • 11:00am-Noon

Join the fourth Saturday of the month for Lego Club! Here, participants will create structures based on the month's theme, and their own imaginative creations. This program is for all ages, and all materials are provided. No registration necessary; call 458-0711.

# Adult Programs

#### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY MTG.

#### Colusa • 2nd Monday • 12:00-1:00pm

The Friends of the Colusa County Free Library work toward generating community interest in and supporting the Library's services & facilities. Become a member today!

#### **COMPUTER WORKSHOPS**

#### Colusa • Tuesdays • 10:30-11:30am

June 4 & 11: Keyboarding Lab June 18: Microsoft Word

June 25: Microsoft Excel July 2: Home Budgeting Basics

July 9: Communicating Online July 16: Online Banking

July 23: Online Library

Stop by the Colusa Library on Tuesday mornings to learn about the above topics! These computer workshops are geared for beginners, and all materials will be provided. Call 458-0373 or drop by the Colusa library to enroll.

#### DROP-IN COMPUTER HELP

Colusa • Tuesdays • 5:30-7:15pm
Arbuckle • August 7 • 3:00-5:00pm
Maxwell • August 14 • 3:00-5:00pm
Williams • August 21 • 3:00-5:00pm
Stonyford • August 22• 2:00-3:00pm
Stop by your local library for one-on-one computer assistance during one of the above dates/times. To schedule an appointment, call 458-0712. All materials will be provided.

#### SCIENCE CAFÉ

#### Colusa • July 11 • 6:00-7:30pm

Discuss the Nature of the Universe with UC Davis Theoretical Physicist, Dr. Andreas Albrecht, Director of the Center for Quantum Mathematics and Physics.

All Branches

July 4-6

Independence Day

#### SATURDAY CRAFTERNOON

#### Colusa • 1st Saturday • 12:00-1:30pm

Led through the step-by-step artistic process by our in-house artist, participants will create an artwork based on the theme of the month. All art backgrounds and abilities are invited to attend, but due to limited space, registration is required. Call 458-0375.

#### MASTER GARDENER WORKSHOPS

Colusa • 2nd Saturday • 10:00-12:00pm Join the Master Gardeners of Colusa County in their monthly discussion of everything garden! Learn how to propagate succulents, the best time to plant certain flowers, landscape your yard, and more. Call 458-7671 for more info.

#### FRIENDS BOOK CLUB

#### Colusa • 2nd Thursday • 6:00-8:00pm

Friends of the Library members are invited to join the FOL monthly book club! Here, members will discuss a new title each month in the Colusa Library's Morse Conference Room. Become a Friend of the Library to learn how you can take advantage of this fun program.

### **Library Hours of Operation**

Colusa	Mondays Tues & Thurs Wed & Fri Saturdays	9:00-2:00 10:00-8:00 10:00-5:00 10:00-2:00
Arbuckle	Mon & Wed Tuesdays	1:00-6:00 10:00-3:00
Grimes	Tues & Thurs	2:00-7:00
Maxwell	Tues—Thurs	1:30-6:00
Princeton	Tuesdays Wednesdays	8:00-1:00 8:00-5:00
Stonyford	Wednesdays Thursdays Saturdays	11:00-5:30 12:00-6:00 10:00-2:00
Williams	Tues & Thurs Wednesdays	12:00-5:00 1:00-6:00