

Library Commission  
Special Meeting  
April 23, 2026  
Presentations

Item #4  
Monthly Update Reports



# Cupertino Library

April 2026 Library Report



# Numbers

2026	January	February	March
<b>Check Outs</b>	209,660	148,940	174,370
<b>Borrowers</b>	26,398	25,692	15,454
<b>Average Requests</b>	15,273	13,037	13,761
<b>Borrowers Online</b>	107,322	87,960	96,274
<b>Gate Count</b>	70,132	63,846	69,897
<b>Room bookings</b>	719	703	771
<b>Programs Offered</b>	70	77	113
<b>Program Attendance</b>	3019	3471	3,337
<b>Community Room Rentals</b>	11	12	13



# Photos March 2026 Events

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# APRIL 2026

## Children's Programs at Cupertino Library!

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p><b>Cupertino Library</b> 10800 Torre Ave. Cupertino, CA 95014 408.446.1677 www.sccld.org</p> 			<p><b>1</b> 11 a.m. Poponta Japanese Storytime</p> <p>7 p.m. Bedtime Storytime</p>	<p><b>2</b> 10:30 a.m. Baby Storytime Non-walking babies.</p> <p>4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. Homework Help</p> <p>*7:00 p.m. Reading Buddies Children K-5th grade Registration Required.</p>	<p><b>3</b> 7 p.m. Mandarin Family Storytime ages 0-5</p>	<p><b>4</b> 10:30 a.m. Family Storytime for All Ages</p>
<p><b>5</b> Library Closed</p>	<p><b>6</b> 10:30 a.m. ESL Parent and Caregiver Conversation Club</p>	<p><b>7</b> 10:30 a.m. Stories for 1-2 year olds.</p> <p>3:30 p.m. LEGO Club</p> <p>4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. Homework Help</p>	<p><b>8</b> 10:30 a.m. Police Read Along</p> <p>7 p.m. Bedtime Storytime</p>	<p><b>9</b> 10:30 a.m. Baby Storytime Non-walking babies.</p> <p>4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. Homework Help</p>	<p><b>10</b> 4 p.m. Art Therapy for Tweens Kids 10 and up.</p>	<p><b>11</b> 10:30 a.m. Family Storytime for All Ages</p>
<p><b>12</b> 11 a.m. Baby Sign and Sing</p> <p>11 a.m. Baby Wearing Dance for infants and caregivers</p>	<p><b>13</b> *2 p.m. Freedom Readers Bookclub 5th-8th grade</p> <p>*7:00 p.m. Reading Buddies Children K-5th grade Registration Required.</p>	<p><b>14</b> 10:30 a.m. Stories for 1-2 year olds</p> <p>*2 p.m. Changemakers Bookclub 1st-2nd grade</p> <p>*7 p.m. Children's Literature for Adults Bookclub</p>	<p><b>15</b> 7 p.m. Bedtime Storytime</p>	<p><b>16</b> 10:30 a.m. Baby Storytime Non-walking babies.</p> <p>*2 p.m. Voyagers Bookclub 3rd-4th grade</p>	<p><b>17</b> 7 p.m. Mandarin Family Storytime ages 0-5</p>	<p><b>18</b> 10:30 a.m. Family Storytime for All Ages</p> <p>3:00 p.m. Crafting for Wellness: Create, Explore, and Relax 5+ years</p>
<p><b>19</b> 11 a.m. Baby Wearing Dance for infants and caregivers</p>	<p><b>20</b> 10:30 a.m. Play and Talk: Building Language Through Play:ESL Parent and Caregiver Conversation Club</p>	<p><b>21</b> 10:30 a.m. Stories for 1-2 year olds.</p> <p>4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. Homework Help</p>	<p><b>22</b> 7 p.m. Bedtime Storytime</p>	<p><b>23</b> 10:30 a.m. Baby Storytime Non-walking babies.</p> <p>4 p.m. Origami school age</p> <p>4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. Homework Help</p>	<p><b>24</b></p>	<p><b>25</b> 10:30 a.m. Family Storytime for All Ages</p>
<p><b>26</b> 11 a.m. Baby Wearing Dance for infants and caregivers</p>	<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b> 10:30 a.m. Stories for 1-2 year olds.</p> <p>Bookmobile Visit 10:45 am -11:45 am</p> <p>4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. Homework Help</p>	<p><b>29</b> 4 p.m. STEM Matters: Titanic and Buoyancy ages 6+</p> <p>7 p.m. Bedtime Storytime</p>	<p><b>30</b> 10:30 a.m. Baby Storytime Non-walking babies.</p> <p>4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. Homework Help</p>	<p>*Registration required for these programs.</p>	

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS AT CUPERTINO LIBRARY

**Freedom Readers Bookclub - April 13th at 2:00 p.m.:** 5th-8th Graders join us for bookclub! Sign up April 1st at the Children's Reference Desk to get a copy of the book.

**Changemakers Bookclub - April 14th at 2:00 p.m.:** 1st -2nd graders join us for bookclub! Sign up April 1st at the Children's Reference Desk to get a copy of the book.

**Voyagers Bookclub - April 16th at 2:00 p.m. :** 3rd-4th graders join us for bookclub! Sign up April 1st at the Children's Reference Desk to get a copy of the book.






**Crafting for Wellness - Create, Explore and Relax - April 18th at 3:00 p.m. :** Make your own scented playdough, bath bomb and other comforting crafts. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to participate, create and play too. While supplies last. For children 5 years + and their caregivers.

**Bookmobile Visits the Library - April 28th at 10:45 a.m.:** Join us to celebrate National Library Week! Children are invited to tour the bookmobile and make a craft!

**STEM Matters: Buoyancy - Wednesday, April 29th at 4:00 p.m.:** How do boats float and why did the Titanic sink? Make a raft and explore the science of buoyancy. For ages 6+.

**Play and Talk: Building Language Through Play! ESL Parent and Caregiver Conversation Club - Monday, April 20th at 10:30 a.m.** Join us for a special ESL Parent and Caregiver Conversation Club. Hear from local speech therapist Kristen White about speech development tips for your little one. She'll also highlight the early literacy graphics in our Aquarium Adventure play space and how parents and caregivers can use it to support engagement and speech development. Children are welcome to attend with their parents and caregivers.

# APRIL 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 <b>Mystery Book Discussion Meeting</b> 11 am, Room 201B	2 <b>Mindfulness and Meditation</b> 6pm, Room 201	3 <b>Knit-Along</b> 2:30-4:00 pm, Room 201A	4 <b>Next Generation Seniors</b> 11am, Room 201
5 <b>Easter Sunday Library Closed</b>	6 <b>Dignity in the Digital Age: Guide to Voice AI</b> 11am, Room 201	7 <b>ESL Conversation Club</b> 10:30am--1pm, Room 201A	8	9 <b>Qigong Class</b> 11 am, Room 201 <b>Mindfulness and Meditation</b> 6pm, Room 201	10 <b>Knit-Along</b> 2:30-4:00 pm, Room 201A	11
12 <b>Non-Fiction Book Discussion</b> 11am, Room 201B <b>SF Shakespeare Julius Caesar</b> 3pm Room 201	13	14 <b>ESL Conversation Club</b> 10:30am--1pm, Room 201A	15 <b>Adult Book Discussion</b> 11am, Room 201B <b>Master Gardeners TBA</b> 7pm, Room 201	16 <b>Mindfulness and Meditation</b> 6pm, Room 201 <b>Adult Book Discussion</b> 7-8:30pm, Room 201B	17 <b>Knit-Along</b> 2:30-4:00 pm, Room 201A	18 <b>Oliver Chin: Draw Fantasy Characters</b> 11am, Room 201 <b>Open Mic Poetry</b> 3pm Room 201
19	20	21 <b>ESL Conversation Club</b> 10:30am--1pm, Room 201A	22	23 <b>Mindfulness and Meditation</b> 6pm, Room 201	24 <b>Knit-Along</b> 2:30-4:00 pm, Room 201A	25
26 <b>Sunday Line Dance</b> 2pm Room 201	27	28 <b>ESL Conversation Club</b> 10:30am--1pm, Room 201A <b>Tuesday Travel Nights: Tasmania</b> 7pm Rom 201	29	30 <b>Mindfulness and Meditation</b> 6pm, Room 201	<i>National Poetry Month</i> 	

All library programs are open to the public free of charge. Many of our programs are generously funded by The Friends of the Cupertino Library.

## Adult Events

**The Plot Thickens: Mystery Book Discussion meeting. *The Searcher* by**

**Tana French** Wednesday, April 1, 11am Room 201B

**Next Generation Seniors Technical Help**

Saturday, April 4, 11am, Room 201

**Dignity in the Digital Age: A Guide to Voice AI.**

Monday, April 6, 11am, Room 201

**Qigong Class** 11am, Room 201

**Non-fiction Book Discussion: *The Showman* by Simon Shuster** Sunday,

April 12, 11am, Room 201B

**San Francisco Shakespeare Festival: *Julius Caesar*** Sunday, April 12,

3pm, Room 201

**Adult Book Discussion: *The Husbands*, by Holly Gramazio**

I. Wednesday, April 15, 11am Room 201B

II. Thursday, April 16, 7pm Room 201B

**Master Gardeners** Wednesday, April 15, 7pm Room 201

**Poetry Open Mic with Poet Laureate Thomas Celerier** Saturday, April

18, 3pm Room 201

**Sunday Line Dance.**

Sunday, April 26, 2-3:30pm. Room 201

**Tuesday Travel Night: Having a Devil of a Time in Tasmania with Ann**

**Resch.** Tuesday, April 28, 7pm, Room 201

## Teen Programs

**Oliver Chin: Draw Fantasy Characters. Saturday, April 18,**

11am, Room 201

## Ongoing Events

**ESL Conversation Club.**

Tuesdays, 10:30am--12pm

Room 201 Online Registration:

<https://tinyurl.com/CUESLConversationClub2026>

**Mindfulness and Meditation** Thursdays 6pm Room 201A

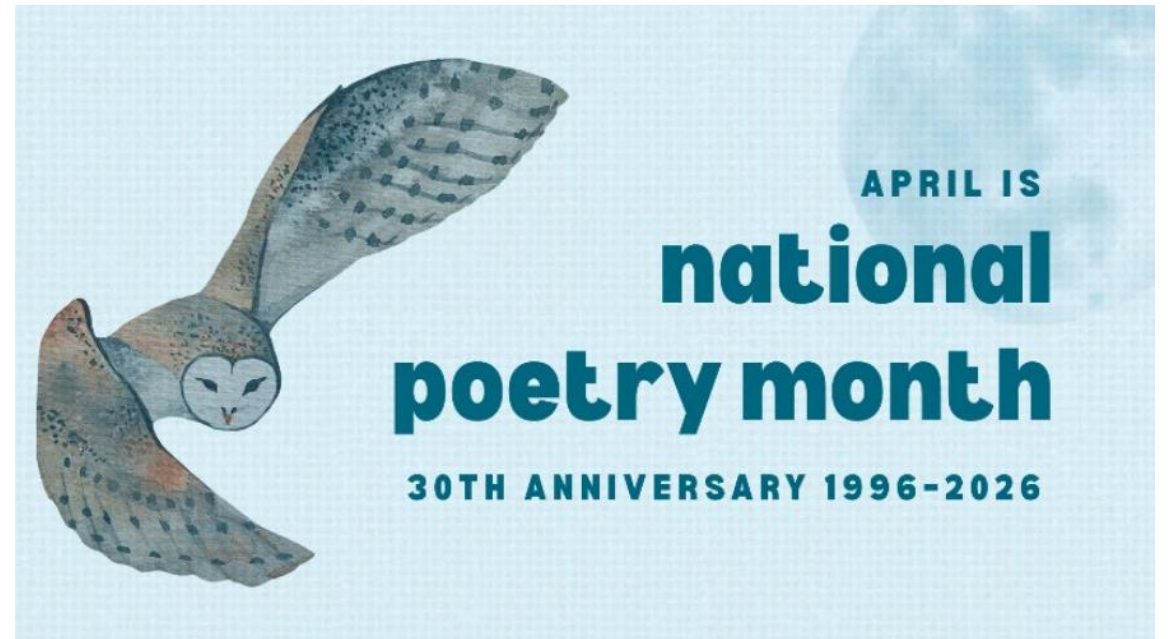
**Knit-Alongs** Fridays, 2:30-4pm Room 201A

# April is National Poetry Month

## Poetry Open Mic at the Cupertino Library

*Saturday, April 18 at 3:00PM*

To celebrate Poetry Month, join us for an open and welcoming poetry afternoon at the Cupertino Library, where voices of all ages, cultures, and languages come together to share the power of the spoken and written word. This open mic celebrates poetry in all its forms, spoken, read, sung, remembered, or improvised. Whether you write in English, Spanish, Mandarin, Hindi, Tagalog, or another language close to your heart, you are warmly invited to share.





# National Library Week April 19-25, 2026

4/28/26 Bookmobile Visiting  
Cupertino Library

10:45-11:45 am

# Mango Languages

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Learn more than 70 world languages and dialects, including 17 English as a Second Language (ESL) courses taught in the learner's native tongue, and American Sign Language (ASL)! Practice vocabulary, grammar, pronunciation, culture, comprehension, and retention skills at beginner, intermediate, and advanced levels. Use tools such as voice comparison, flash cards, highlighting a word for translation and definition, and more.



# Closed Days

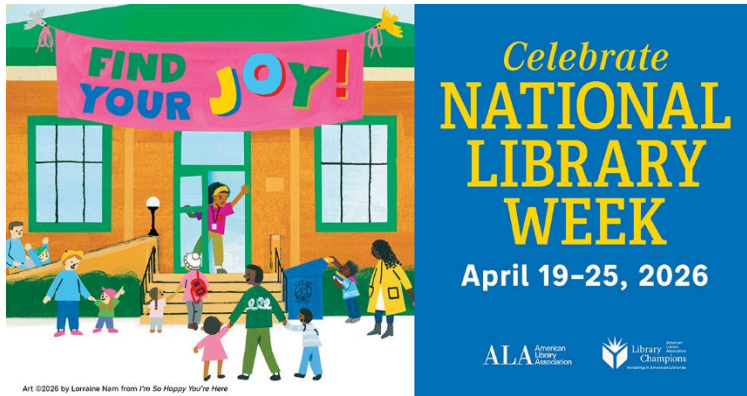
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Sunday, April 6, 2026  
EASTER

Monday, May 25, 2026  
MEMORIAL DAY



April 2026 Library Report  
Jennifer Weeks, County Librarian



## Finding Your Joy at the Library

[National Library Week](#) is an annual celebration recognizing the contributions libraries and library professionals provide in transforming lives and building stronger communities. This year's theme for National Library Week (April 19 to 25) emphasizes the joy that libraries and stories provide.

The week kicks off on Monday with [Right to Read Day](#), which highlights the importance of the freedom of information, and the annual [State of the America's Libraries Report](#), which identifies challenges and opportunities for libraries. The Top Ten Most Challenged Books of 2025 will be included.

Tuesday is [National Library Workers Day](#), which celebrates the many professionals on our team who make the Library the special place that it is. Keep an eye out for the blog post on our website that will include a video saluting our employees and be sure to visit the library and thank your local library staff.

Wednesday is [National Library Outreach Day](#), a time to recognize the work of our Bookmobile team and library staff who bring services directly to their communities.

Thursday is [Take Action for Libraries Day](#), a day to voice your support and advocate for libraries and the right to read. We'll have social media posts all during the week celebrating all things library.

## A New Way to Learn Another Language

Master one of over 70 languages with Mango Languages, our newest resource in the [24/7 Online Library](#). Start off by taking a language placement test to make sure you begin at the appropriate level. Get a real sense of how well you speak a language by recording a line and then playing back a native speaker saying the same words.

Download lessons to the app and access them later on your phone or other device. No WiFi required. Mango even offers sub-dialects of languages (like Castillian v. Latin American Spanish) to help you sound like a local. Mango is also great for English learners, with 17 different courses offered. Lessons are personalized using the user's native language background.





## Construction Updates

The Los Altos and Woodland libraries have projects starting that will provide patrons with new outdoor spaces to enjoy.

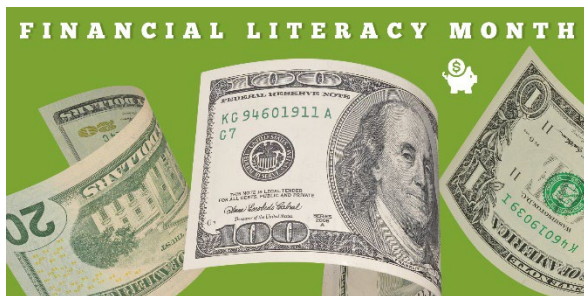


The Los Altos Library (image on left) is tentatively scheduled to start construction on a multipurpose courtyard starting in April, with an estimated completion in October. There will be no impact on library services, however the back entrance will be closed. The new space will feature views of the orchard and provide much needed programming space. Flexible seating areas will facilitate a variety of events and purposes.

The Woodland Library (image to right) terrace area is being renovated and should be completed this summer. The back and side exteriors of the library are being redesigned to include shaded seating areas with tables and umbrellas, plus surfaces for games and chalk activities. A beautiful native garden will greet individuals and families who come to visit. These two projects bring the best of two worlds together.

A special thank you to the Los Altos Library Endowment for the generous donations that are making these projects possible. For more images, visit [lalendow.org/projects/](http://lalendow.org/projects/).

**REMINDER-** With the newly renovated Campbell Library opening on Sat., May 9, the last day of service at the Campbell Express will be Sat., Apr. 4. Please plan your visits accordingly!



## Helping to Make Money Smart Choices

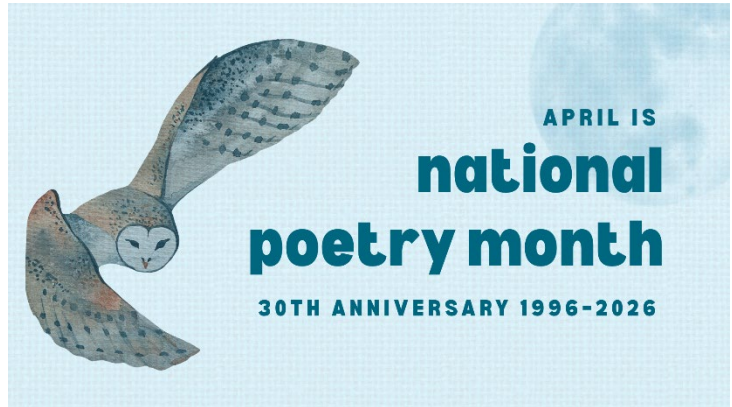
April is Financial Literacy Month. Taxes are due this month, on the 15<sup>th</sup>. This year there are major [changes to federal tax law](#) to review. Our libraries have events planned to help increase familiarity with financial topics.

Teens can attend two virtual classes to help them prepare for making lifelong smart money choices- [Introduction to Money Basics](#) on Wed., Apr. 22 and [Understanding Credit and Making Good Money Decisions](#) on Wed., Apr. 29. They and their parents may also be interested in our [Paying for College with Scholarships](#) series, which starts Tue., Apr. 28.

The [Business & Investing](#) page on our 24/7 Online Library has a number of resources that are handy for those who want to learn more about financial topics including the stock market, small businesses and cryptocurrency. We also offer access to [LinkedIn Learning](#), [Universal Class](#) and [Gale Presents](#).

## 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Poetry Month

2026 marks three decades of celebrating [National Poetry Month](#). Enjoy short readings from several of our prior County Poets Laureate, including current Poet Laureate Yosimar Reyes, on SCCLD's [YouTube channel](#). Yosimar will host the Poetry Center of San José's [Poetry Invitational](#) at the Triton Museum in Santa Clara on Fri., Apr. 10.



Our libraries will be holding several [poetry themed events](#) this month. Share a work of your own, or listen to performers at open mic nights at the [Los Altos Library](#) on Mon., Apr. 6, the [Gilroy Library](#) on Sat., Apr. 11, or the [Cupertino Library](#) on Sat., Apr. 18. All ages can learn how to make a Poetry Junk Journal out of scraps of old mail, magazines and other common household items at the [Gilroy Library](#) on Wed., Apr. 8 or the [Milpitas Library](#) on Fri., Apr. 17. The Peaceful Poets writers and poetry aficionados also are meeting at the Milpitas Library on Thu., Apr. 30.

Visit our website to find our [Granger's World of Poetry](#) resource, along with our eBooks and digital Audiobooks on [Libby](#), [Hoopla](#) and [The Palace Project](#). For those who prefer the tactile method of enjoying a good verse, we have our [physical collection](#).



## Noche de cuentos for Día

The Gilroy Library is co-hosting a special event around Día, also known as [Children's Book Day](#), on Fri., Apr. 24 at [Casa de Cultura y Arte](#).

Noche de cuentos, or Story Night, will feature a bilingual storytime by Gilroy children's librarians, a puppet show, cultural art activities and an outdoor movie screening. Coffee and treats will be provided, along with free children's books!

**FYI- All SCCLD libraries will be closed on Sunday, April 5 for the Easter holiday. Find us 24/7 at our [Online Library](#).**

## Join the Largest Book Club on the West Coast



# ONE BOOK ONE COAST

To close out Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, on [Sun., May 31](#) libraries across the West Coast (including all of SCCLD's) will live stream an interview with actor, activist and author George Takei about his book, [They Called Us Enemy](#), which tells the story of his being sent as a child to an internment camp for Japanese Americans during WWII. [One Book, One Coast](#) unites library systems and patrons from the northernmost region of Washington State to the southern tip of California in a shared celebration of literacy, learning, community, and civil discourse. From April 1 through June 6, all participating libraries will read and discuss [They Called Us Enemy](#).

Several of our libraries are [holding events](#) beginning in April highlighting different aspects of Japanese culture. All our libraries will hold [Japanese Paper Arts](#) workshops starting on Fri., Apr. 17 at the Los Altos Library. Saratoga Library will hold a [San Jose Japantown: From Bachelor Society to Family](#) multimedia historical talk on Sun., Apr. 26. A movie screening on Kintsukuroi, the Japanese art of repairing pottery, will take place on [Sat., May 9](#) at the Saratoga Library and [Sat., May 30](#) at the new Campbell Library.

## VIRTUAL Author Talks *April 2026*

- Valerie Neal**  
 April 2 at 11:00 am-12:00 pm  
 Experience the remarkable 45-year history of U.S. women astronauts.


- Brad Taylor**  
 April 14 at 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
 A global chase to stop a master assassin who could ignite an international crisis.


- Alex Hutchinson**  
 April 16 at 11:00 am -12:00 pm  
 Learn how exploration is a fundamental part of what makes us human.


- Miranda Cowley Heller**  
 April 22 at 11:00 am -12:00 pm  
 An emotionally resonant exploration of a woman's life thru a collection of poems.


- Jason Reynolds**  
 April 30 at 4:00 pm -5:00 pm  
 The final installment in the Track series explores character Coach's experiences.



## April Virtual Author Talks

We have another jam-packed month planned, with five Virtual Author Talks.

Apr. 2 [Valerie Neal](#) takes readers on an adventure through 45 years of history about women astronauts with [On a Mission](#). [Please register](#).

Apr. 14 novelist [Brad Taylor](#) shares his latest Pike Logan featured thriller, [Shadow Strike](#) [Please register](#).

Apr. 16 [Alex Hutchinson](#) looks at how exploration has shaped our species with [The Explorer's Gene](#). [Please register](#).

Apr. 22 Cape Cod is the setting of [Miranda Cowley Heller's What the Deep Water Knows](#). [Please register](#).

Apr. 30 [Jason Reynolds](#) shares about his final installment in the **Track** series, which delves into the past of character [Coach](#). [Please register](#).

## SANTA CLARA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT APRIL 2026 EVENTS

**SCCLD libraries will be closed on Sunday, April 5 for Easter.  
Our Online Library is always available at  
[scclld.org/Online-Library](https://scclld.org/Online-Library)**

### **CUPERTINO -- 10800 Torre Avenue**

#### **Poponta Japanese Storytime**

*Wednesday, April 1, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Room 101*

This Japanese storytime includes traditional kamishibai (paper theater), puppets & books.

#### **Mystery Fiction Book Discussion**

*Wednesday, April 1, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Room 201B*

We will discuss [\*The Searcher\*](#) (2020) by Tana French.

#### **Bedtime Storytime**

*Wednesdays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 7 – 7:30 p.m., Program Room*

This storytime is suitable for all ages and will feature stories, songs, rhymes and dances that encourage early literacy skills. Seating is limited to the first 100 families. Bring a yoga mat or blanket to sit on.

#### **Baby Storytime (ages 0-1)**

*Thursdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., First Floor Program Room*

This storytime features stories and songs that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Storytime is limited to the first 30 babies. Bring a yoga mat or blanket to sit on.

#### **Homework Help for Grades K-6**

*Tuesdays and Thursdays, 4:30 – 6 p.m., Room 101*

Students can get free homework help. No registration is required.

#### **Meditation and Mindfulness**

*Thursdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 6 – 6:30 p.m., Room 201A*

Practice meditation for 20 minutes and have 10 minutes to speak with the instructor.

#### **Reading Buddies (completed Grades K-5)**

*Thursday, April 2, and Monday, April 13, 7 – 8 p.m., Room 101*

Children can buddy up with a furry friend and read one-on-one from a favorite book.

Children must register themselves in-person at the Children's Reference Desk.

### **Knit-Alongs at Cupertino Library (ages 18+)**

*Fridays, April 3, 10, 17, & 24, 2:30 – 4 p.m., Room 201A*

Knitters and crocheters can drop in and socialize while starting new projects or finishing old ones. Participants need to bring their own needles and/or crochet hooks and yarn. No personal instruction will be provided.

### **Mandarin/English Family Storytime / 中/英文雙語說故事時間**

*Fridays, April 3 & 17, 7–8 p.m., Room 101*

*Wednesday, April 15, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Room 101*

Join us for stories, songs, flannel board stories, fingerplay and a craft project in Mandarin and English. 兒童圖書館員將為小朋友讀圖畫故事書;唱兒歌;用絨布板講故事;手指謠和做美。歡迎幼兒們和家長, 祿母一同前來參加。

### **Family Storytime**

*Saturdays, April 4, 11, 18, & 25, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Program Room*

This storytime is suitable for all ages and will feature stories, songs, rhymes and dances that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Storytime is limited to the first 100 families. Bring a yoga mat or blanket to sit on.

### **Next Generation Seniors**

*Saturday, April 4, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201A*

Older adults will be introduced to essential online safety skills, including recognizing scams, protecting personal information, and navigating the internet with confidence. Seniors will have the chance to ask questions and build digital independence.

### **ESL Parent & Caregiver Conversation Club**

*Mondays, April 6 & 20, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room 101*

This program is designed to support families and spark conversations about children and parenting. Learn practical tips and insights from special guest speakers. Connect with other parents and caregivers in the community.

### **Aging with Dignity in the Digital Age**

*Monday, April 6, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Room 201*

Participants will leave with the confidence to use voice AI for daily organization, information gathering, and creative tasks. While not mandatory, it is recommended that participants bring a phone or tablet with them to practice with.

### **ESL Conversation Club**

*Tuesdays, April 7, 14, 21, & 28, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201A*

Improve your English listening and speaking skills in a supportive environment. This program is for adults who speak basic English. Register online.

### **Toddler Storytime (ages 1-2)**

*Tuesdays, April 7, 14, 21, & 28, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room 101*

This storytime features stories, songs, rhymes and dances that encourage the development of early literacy skills.

### **LEGO Club**

*Tuesday, April 7, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.*

Students in Kindergarten to 8th grade are welcome to play and create with LEGOs.

### **Police Read Along**

*Wednesday, April 8, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room 101*

A Sheriff's Deputy will read books and share safety tips.

### **Qigong Class**

*Thursday, April 9, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Room 201*

The class includes both dynamic and meditative practices, such as gentle movement exercises, breathing techniques, standing meditation (Zhan Zhuang), seated meditation, and Zen-based mindfulness training. This class will be in English and Mandarin.

### **Art Therapy for Tweens (ages 10+)**

*Friday, April 10, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101*

We will explore different techniques and art materials each month. Create your own unique piece of art to take home. Materials will be provided. While supplies last.

### **Baby Wearing Dance**

*Sundays, April 12, 19, & 26, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.*

Participants must bring their own baby carrier.

### **Nonfiction Book Discussion**

*Sunday, April 12, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Room 201B*

We'll discuss [\*The Showman\*](#) (2024) by Simon Shuster.

### **Baby Sign and Sing**

*Sunday, April 12, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Room 101*

Babies aged 0-12 months and adult caregivers will learn basic signs to communicate.

### **San Francisco Shakespeare Festival Special Performance**

*Sunday, April 12, 3 – 4 p.m., Room 201*

Experience one of Shakespeare's most powerful political dramas as the San Francisco Shakespeare Festival brings *Julius Caesar* to life inside the library.

### **Freedom Readers Book Club (Grades 5-8)**

*Monday, April 13, 2 – 3 p.m., Room 101*

Participants will engage with their peers in conversations and do a book related craft. For Arab American Heritage Month we will be reading [Almost Sunset](#) by Wahab Algarmi.

### **Changemakers Book Club for Grades 1 and 2**

*Tuesday, April 14, 2 – 3 p.m., Room 101*

Join our fun early chapter book club that celebrates diverse voices and stories. For Arab American Heritage Month, we will be reading [Amina Banana and the Formula for Friendship](#) by Shifa Saltagi Safadi. Please sign up at the Children's Reference Desk.

### **Children's Literature for Adults Book Club**

*Tuesday, April 14, 7 – 8 p.m.*

Adults will discuss, reminisce, or discover a beloved children's classic. Please register at the Children's Reference Desk. This program is for adults only.

### **Reading Program: Adult Learner Orientation**

*Wednesday, April 15, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 1 – 2 p.m., Room 201*

This learner orientation is required for new students to learn about the program's structure, services and expectations.

### **Book Discussion for Adults**

*Wed., April 15, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., and Thur., April 16, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201B*

We will discuss [The Husbands](#) (2024) by Holly Gramazio.

### **Voyagers Book Club Grades 3 and 4**

*Thu., April 16, 2 – 3 p.m.*

A book club for kids enrolled in Grades 3 or 4. Please register at the Children's Reference Desk.

### **How to Draw Fantasy Characters**

*Saturday, April 18, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Room 201*

You'll learn how to sketch fantastical figures, from spell-slinging sorcerers to mythical beasts. Recommended for ages 11 – 18.

### **Poetry Open Mic**

*Saturday, April 18, 3 – 4 p.m., Room 201*

This open mic celebrates poetry in all its forms, spoken, read, sung, remembered, or improvised. This will be hosted by Cupertino Poet Laureate Thomas Célérier.

### **Crafting for Wellness**

*Saturday, April 18, 3 – 4 p.m., Room 101*

Make your own scented playdough, bath bomb and other comforting crafts, while supplies last. This program is for children 5+ and their caregiver.

### **Origami for School Age Children (ages 5+)**

*Thursday, April 23, 4 – 4:45 p.m., Room 101*

Learn to fold three models. Paper will be provided. No registration required.

### **Sunday Line Dance**

*Sunday, April 26, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Room 201*

Learn and master shuffles, sweeps, and turns while improving your balance, coordination, stamina, footwork, and arm styling.

### **Bookmobile Visit**

*Tuesday, April 28, 10:45 – 11:45 a.m.*

Celebrate National Library Week with a visit from the Bookmobile.

### **Tuesday Travel Nights: Tasmania**

*Tuesday, April 28, 7 – 8 p.m., Room 201*

Through a medley of photos, Ann Resch will share the rich history, unique animal life, diverse landscape and the day-to-day life of Tassies.

### **Titanic STEM!**

*Wednesday, April 29, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 201*

Learn about why boats float but the Titanic sank. Then make rafts to test buoyancy. For kids 6 and older. Space is limited so we recommend arriving early.

### **GILROY -- 350 W. Sixth Street**

#### **Reading Program Tutor Orientation**

*Wednesday, April 1, 1 – 2 p.m., and 6 – 7 p.m., Reading Program Room*

Give back to your community by becoming an adult literacy tutor for the Reading Program to support an adult learner improve their English reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills to achieve their lifelong goals.

### **Free Snacks for Kids! / ¡Meriendas Gratis Para Niños!**

*Mondays-Fridays, 3 – 4 p.m. (except during holidays and school breaks), Lobby Area*

Children ages 0-18 can stop by for a snack while supplies last. No registration required.

¡Pasa por la biblioteca y recoge una merienda gratis después de la escuela! No es necesario registrarse.

### **Books and Boogie Storytime / Hora de Cuentos**

*Thursdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Children’s Area*

Children and their caregivers are invited to enjoy engaging stories, playful rhymes, lively fingerplays, and music and movement activities that nurture early literacy skills.

Compartiremos historias divertidas, rimas, canciones y baile con la bibliotecaria Rosa.

### **Knitting and Crochet Weekly Meetup / Tejido y Crochet**

*Thursdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 1 – 4 p.m., Quiet Study B*

Bring your projects, ask questions, receive help, share ideas, and meet new people!

¡Trae tus proyectos, haz preguntas, recibe ayuda, comparte ideas y conoce gente nueva!

### **Homework Help / Ayuda con la Tarea**

*Tuesdays & Thursdays, 4 – 5:30 p.m., 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Meeting Room / 1<sup>o</sup> piso, Salon de juntas*

Kids in grades K-6 can come in and receive homework help. Homework Help not offered during school breaks. Tenemos tutores disponibles para ayudarte con tus tareas.

### **Book Discussion**

*Friday, April 3, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m., Quiet Study B*

In honor of Women’s History Month, we will discuss [\*Free: A Child and a Country at the End of History\*](#) by Lea Ypi.

### **ESL Conversation Club / Club de Conversación en inglés**

*Fridays, April 3, 10, 17, & 24, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Quiet Study B*

Improve your English listening and speaking skills and learn about other cultures in a supportive environment. No registration is needed. Basic English knowledge is recommended.

### **Safe Space Meetup for LGBTQ+ / Encuentro de Espacio Seguro para Personas LGBTQ+**

*Fridays, April 3 & 17, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Quiet Study Room B*

Our staff-led meetings offer a safe space for youth (ages 13-25) to play games, participate in group activities & discussions, and build community. Nuestras reuniones, dirigidas por nuestro personal, ofrecen un espacio seguro para que los jóvenes (13-25) jueguen, participen en actividades y debates grupales, y forjen una comunidad.

### **Beautify Your Garden and Attract Pollinators**

*Saturday, April 4, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room*

Learn about beautiful annual and perennial flowers and flowering shrubs that attract pollinators and other beneficial insects.

### **Kids in STEM / Niños y Niñas en STEM (Grades 2-5)**

*Saturdays, April 4 & 18, 2 – 3 p.m., 1st Floor, Burrow / 1° piso, Madriguera*

Our Kids in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) program will explore these subjects and teach kids about careers in STEM.

Nuestro programa "Niños en STEM" (ciencia, tecnología, ingeniería y matemáticas) explorará estas materias y les enseñará a niños sobre las carreras en estos campos.

### **1-on-1 Tech Help / Ayuda con la Tecnología**

*Mondays, April 6, 13, 20, & 27, 1 – 5 p.m., Computer Area*

Volunteers can help you open an email account, connect to Wi-Fi/hotspots, use laptops and Chromebooks, and use Microsoft Office.

Ellos pueden ayudarte abrir una cuenta de correo electrónico, conectarse a Wi-Fi/puntos de acceso, utilizar computadoras portátiles y Chromebooks, y utilizar Microsoft Office.

### **Pajama Storytime / Hora de Cuentos en Pijama**

*Mondays, April 6, 13, 20, & 27, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Children's area/1st floor Zona infantil*

We read stories, sing songs, play games, and wear our pajamas.

Leemos cuentos, cantamos canciones, y jugamos.

### **Zumba Fitness Class / Clase de Zumba Fitness**

*Tuesdays, April 7, 14, 21, & 28, 5:45 – 6:45 p.m., Community Room*

This Latin-inspired, easy-to-follow dance exhilarates your senses and works all major muscle groups. Este baile de inspiración latina y fácil de seguir estimula tus sentidos y trabaja todos los grupos musculares principales.

### **Reading Buddies / Compañeros de Lectura (PreK-Grade 6)**

*Tuesday, April 7, 6 – 7 p.m., 1st Floor, Burrow 1° piso, Madriguera*

Practice your reading skills and read aloud with a furry friend! Sign-ups are first come, first serve until all slots are filled. ¡Ven a practicar tus habilidades de lectura y lee en voz alta uno a uno con un amigo peludo! Las inscripciones serán por orden de llegada hasta que se llenen todos los espacios.

### **Reading Program: Poetry Junk Journal**

*Wednesday, April 8, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Community Room*

Let's talk about how writing in a journal can help improve literacy skills. Receive a journal to decorate using everyday paper items like old mail, magazines, etc.

### **LEGO Club**

*Friday, April 10, 3 – 4:30 p.m., Community Room*

We provide LEGOs, children build creations! Follow prompts or use your imagination.

¡Nosotros proporcionamos los Legos, los niños construyen creaciones divertidas! Niños y niñas pueden seguir nuestras indicaciones o construir algo basado en su imaginación.

### **Open Poetry Readings**

*Saturday, April 11, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Downstairs Meeting Room*

Everyone is welcome to attend and listen or read poetry and join in related discussions.

### **Inclusive Sensory Movement and Regulation / Regulación Sensorial con Musica**

*Sundays, April 12 & 19, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Community Room*

These workshops will introduce families to sensory regulation through gentle, structured movement activities grounded in rhythm, body awareness, and emotional safety. Registration is required for these workshops. Las actividades están diseñadas para apoyar la autorregulación, la confianza y la conexión sin presión para actuar, haciendo que la experiencia sea accesible para niños con autismo y otras diferencias de procesamiento sensorial. Se requiere inscripción para estos talleres.

### **Playdough Playtime / Hora de Juego con Plastilina (Ages 2-7)**

*Wednesday, April 15, 3 – 4 p.m., Community Room*

Children can shape, roll, and squish playdoh using cutters in different shapes.

Los niños podrán amasar, moldear y aplastar plastilina usando divertidos cortadores en formas diferentes.

### **Beginner Acoustic Jam**

*Wednesday, April 15, 6 – 8 p.m., Community Room*

This event is designed specifically for beginners, "rusty" musicians, and anyone who wants to make music in a supportive group setting. No registration needed.

### **Bike Repair / Reparación de Bicicletas**

*Friday, April 17, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Outside in the Parking Lot*

Community cycles will be offering free bicycle repair! Service is provided on a first-come, first-served basis, and space is limited. ¡Community Cycles ofrecerá reparación gratuita de bicicletas! El servicio se ofrece por orden de llegada y el cupo es limitado.

### **Basic Computer Skills Class / Curso Básico de Computación (for adults)**

*Fridays, April 17 & 24, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Reading Program Room*

Identify and use basic parts of a computer, operating systems basics, use common computer programs, manage files and folders, Internet and email use, and computer safety. Call 408-848-5366 to register and schedule your initial assessment.

Identificación y uso de los componentes básicos de una computadora, conceptos básicos de sistemas operativos, uso de programas de computadoras, gestión de archivos y carpetas, uso de Internet y correo electrónico y seguridad informática. Llame al 408-848-5366 para registrarse y programar su evaluación inicial.

**Prepare for a New Job & Get a Free Haircut / Prepárate para un nuevo trabajo y obtén un corte de cabello gratis**

*Saturday, April 18, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Community Room & Quiet Study B*

Register for a Free Haircut (men's and short hair) provided by South Bay barber institute at <https://tinyurl.com/avcnfksv>. Regístrate para un corte de pelo para hombres gratis por el South Bay Barber Institute a <https://tinyurl.com/avcnfksv>.

**Reading Program Tutor Training**

*Saturday, April 18, 12:30 – 5:30 p.m., Reading Program Room*

Tutors who have completed the orientation are invited to this training session.

**Pawsitive Learning: Feline Education for All Ages**

*Saturday, April 18, 12 – 1 p.m., Children's Burrow*

Join Town Cats for an engaging and interactive session designed to educate and inspire the next generation of cat caregivers. For ages 5+. Kids will be able to interact with, pet cats.

**Advanced Care Planning and End of Life Options**

*Saturday, April 18, 1 – 2 p.m., Community Room*

Learn the importance of sharing your end-of-life wishes with loved ones and provide an overview of legal end-of-life options.

**Inclusive Storytime and Author Talk / Cuentos y Platica con Autor Sensorial**

*Monday, April 20, 6 – 7 p.m., 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Burrow*

Author and instructor Veronica Vásquez García will be leading an inclusive storytime for families. La autora e instructora Verónica Vásquez García ofrecerá una hora de cuentos inclusiva para familias.

**Día Celebration: Noche de Cuentos**

*Friday, April 24, 5 – 8 p.m., Casa de Cultura y Arte 140 5th Street*

Get ready for an evening of fun, culture, stories, and smiles!

¡Prepárate para una tarde llena de diversión, cultura, cuentos y sonrisas!

**Japanese Paper Arts Workshop**

*Sunday, April 26, 2 – 4 p.m., Community Room*

Create your very own washi collage card using handmade artisan papers from Japan. All supplies will be provided. Please register to attend.

**Bookcaterpillars Book Club (Grades K-1)**

*Monday, April 27, 3 – 3:30 p.m., Children's Area / área infantil*

Stop by the Children's Reference Desk to register and pick up your copy of the book. We will read the book together, but you can read it ahead of time also.

Pasa por el escritorio de Referencia Infantil para inscribirte y recoge tu copia del libro. Leeremos el libro juntos durante el club de lectura.

### **Bookworms Book Club (Grades 2-3)**

*Monday, April 27, 4 – 5 p.m., Children's Area / área infantil*

This month we are reading [Jake Drake, Know-It-All](#) by Andrew Clements.

Este mes leemos [Jake Drake, Know-It-All](#) por Andrew Clements.

### **Magic Hour: Sensory-Friendly Library Playtime / Tiempo de Juego Sensorial Amigable**

*Tuesday, April 28, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Children's Play Area*

We keep the lights low and use natural lighting, computers are turned off, and the doors are closed to reduce outside noise and keep everyone safe.

Mantenemos las luces bajas y utilizamos la luz natural. Las computadoras están apagadas y las puertas cerradas para reducir el ruido exterior.

### **Bookcrops Book Club (Grades 4-5)**

*Tuesday, April 28, 3 – 4 p.m., 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Burrow / Madriguera*

We will discuss [The War that Saved my Life](#) by Kimberly Bradley. Stop by the Children's Reference Desk to register and pick up your copy of the book.

Este mes estaremos leyendo [The War that Saved my Life](#). Pasa por el Mostrador de Referencia Infantil para inscribirte y recoger tu copia del libro.

### **Bookdragons Book Club (Grades 6-8)**

*Tuesday, April 28, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m., 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Burrow / Madriguera*

Stop by the Children's Reference Desk to register and pick up your copy of the book.

Pasa por el Mostrador de Referencia Infantil para inscribirte y recoger tu copia del libro.

### **Book Discussion**

*Tuesday, April 28, 7 – 8 p.m., Quiet Study B*

We will be discussing [The Matchmaker's Gift](#) by Lynda Loigman.

### **Día Celebration: Piñatas y Paletas**

*Wednesday, April 29, 3 – 5:30 p.m., Outside Plaza*

Stop by to enjoy participating in our Special Bilingual Storytime, playing traditional Latino games, making bubbles together and doing arts and crafts.

Pasa por acá para disfrutar de nuestra Hora del Cuento Bilingüe especial, juegos tradicionales latinos, estación de burbujas, y artes y manualidades.

## **LOS ALTOS -- 13 S. San Antonio Road**

### **The Whodunit? Mystery Book Club**

*Wednesday, April 1, 10:15 – 11:30 a.m., Teen Room*

We will discuss [To Die For](#) by David Baldacci.

**Toddler Storytime (ages 1-2)**

*Wednesdays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room*

*Thursdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room*

Storytimes will be filled with stories, music, and fun activities! Due to limited space, we will begin handing out free tickets starting at 10 a.m.

**Baby Storytime & Stay and Play (ages 0-1)**

*Wednesdays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 1 – 2 p.m., Orchard Room*

We invite non-walking babies and their caregivers to 20 minutes of catchy songs and rhymes, gentle movement and baby sign language, and short books. Stay for our "Stay & Play" session, where babies can explore fun, age-appropriate toys.

**ESL Conversation Club**

*Thursdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 1:30 – 3 p.m., Orchard Room*

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. This program is for those who speak basic English. No registration required.

**Preschool Storytime (ages 3-5)**

*Thursdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 3:30 – 4 p.m., Orchard Room*

Join us for stories, music, movement and more at our preschool storytime.

**Teen Dungeons and Dragons Social Club**

*Thursdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.*

Teens are welcome to drop in and watch the game. Right now, the game is full, but we will occasionally have openings for new players. Please check in at the Adult Reference Desk.

**Monday Morning Meditation and Mindfulness**

*Mondays, April 6, 13, 20, & 27, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room*

Practice meditation for 20 minutes then have 10 minutes to speak with the instructor.

**Poetry Open Mic**

*Monday, April 6, 7 – 8 p.m., Pod D*

Share poetry, hear poetry. You do not have to be a poet to attend.

**Bilingual Spanish Family Storytime / Hora de cuentos bilingüe para familias**

*Tuesdays, April 7, 14, 21, & 28, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room*

Join us for stories, songs, and movement in Spanish and English.

Venga a la biblioteca para cuentos, canciones y movimiento.

### **Bilingual Mandarin Family Storytime / 中英雙語故事時間**

*Tuesdays, April 7, 14, 21, & 28, 1 – 1:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

These 30-minute sessions focus on early literacy by sharing stories and songs in both English and Mandarin Chinese. 這是以半小時的雙中英語故事書, 兒歌, 手指謠, 玩遊戲為特色的內容。

### **Road Scholar: Easter Island**

*Wednesday, April 8, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room*

Road Scholar is a non-profit, educational travel organization that inspires older adults to learn, discover, and travel. Learn about this program as we go on an adventure to Easter Island.

### **Pelicans, Herons, and Egrets, Oh My!**

*Thursday, April 9, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Join wildlife photographer Joan Sparks on a journey to discover elegant, long-legged wading birds whose ancestors appear in the fossil record dating back 50 million years.

### **Adult Watercolor Workshop**

*Friday, April 10, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Join us for a watercolor workshop for adults. Registration is not required. Seating is limited to the first 20 attendees and is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

### **San Francisco Shakespeare Festival Special Performance**

*Saturday, April 11, 2 – 3 p.m., Orchard Room*

Experience one of Shakespeare's most powerful political dramas as the San Francisco Shakespeare Festival brings *Julius Caesar* to life inside the library.

### **Board Game Sunday**

*Sunday, April 12, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

We have board games for adults, teens, and children.

### **Page Turners Book Club (Grades 4-5)**

*Wednesday, April 15, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*

This month we are reading [\*The City of Ember\*](#) by Jeanne DuPrau. Please pick up a copy of the book at the Children's Desk at Los Altos or Woodland Library.

### **Stylish Sustainability Craft**

*Thursday, April 16, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Bring an old garment to this workshop and turn it into a unique, one-of-a-kind piece of wearable art by adding patchwork, applique, buttons, pockets, trim, lace, etc.

### **Japanese Paper Arts Workshop**

*Friday, April 17, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Learn how to create the Awaji Knot with Mizuhiki. The Mizuhiki is used in Japan to embellish cards, envelopes, and even create “sculptures” for special occasions. All supplies will be provided. Please register to attend.

### **Bay Area Games Day**

*Saturday, April 18, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m., Orchard Room*

Learn how to play a new board game or enjoy an old favorite.

### **Sunday CrafterNoon**

*Sunday, April 19, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Adults, teens, and kids can join us for an afternoon of relaxed crafting. Supplies are provided. Children must come with their responsible adult crafting-buddy.

### **Book Bugs Club (Grades 2-3)**

*Tuesday, April 21, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*

Our April book selection is [\*Archie Takes Flight\*](#) by Wendy Mass. Please pick up a copy of the book at the Children’s Desk at Los Altos or Woodland Library.

### **Electrifying Your Life: A Roadmap for Reducing Your Footprint**

*Tuesday, April 21, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Learn about renewable energy solutions.

### **Story Explorers Book Club (TK – 1<sup>st</sup> Graders)**

*Wednesday, April 22, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*

We'll enjoy stories and activities featuring the [\*Snail & Worm\*](#) early reader series by Tina Kugler. We'll read together, talk about the book, move to music, and do a fun craft!

### **Wednesday Travel Nights**

*Wednesday, April 22, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

John Gayler will share both still-photo and live-action video highlights of a 2-week outfitter-led river trip through the Grand Canyon, including planning and logistics.

### **Build a Bot (Grades K-8)**

*Friday, April 24, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*

Explore the world of robotics by experimenting with Cubelets, magnetic blocks designed to encourage learning through exploration.

### **Furry Friends Reading Buddies (Grades K-8)**

*Saturday, April 25, 2:30 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Come practice your reading skills and read aloud to a friendly dog or cat -- your very own furry audience. You may register for a 10-minute session online two days before the event.

### **Now Read This Book Club**

*Monday, April 27, 12 – 1:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

We will be discussing [\*The Book of Hope: A Survival Guide for Trying Times\*](#) by Jane Goodall.

### **To Be Read Book Club (Grades 6-8)**

*Tuesday, April 28, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*

This month we are reading [\*The Mona Lisa Vanishes\*](#) by Nicholas Day. Pick up a copy of the book at the Children's Desk at Los Altos or Woodland Library.

### **Book Discussion for Adults**

*Tuesday, April 28, 7 – 8:15 p.m., Orchard Room*

Email [Laura.Pasternack@lib.sccgov.org](mailto:Laura.Pasternack@lib.sccgov.org) to join the monthly email reminders.

### **Aging with Grace: The Life of a Great Basin Bristlecone**

*Thursday, April 30, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room*

“Aging with Grace” will cover some of the scientific discoveries the bristlecone pine has been part of, how its environment shapes it, and share images that demonstrate the facets of their life and growth that make them one of California's most iconic native species.

## **MILPITAS -- 160 N. Main Street**

### **Fun with Art Presented by First5 Santa Clara County**

*Wednesday, April 1, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Auditorium*

Staff from the Guerrero Family Resource Center will read a book, lead a craft activity based on the book, and then share resources provided at the resource center.

### **ESL Conversation Club**

*Wednesdays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 2:45 – 3:45 p.m., Program Room*

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. This program is for adults who speak basic English. No registration required.

### **Homework Help for Grades K-6**

*Mondays -- Thursdays, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Program Room*

Students can get free homework help. No registration is required. Parents are asked to stay nearby. Homework Help will not be offered April 13 – 17.

### **Milpitas Children's Chess Club (Grades K-8)**

*Wednesdays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Activity Room*

Play chess and make new friends in a fun and relaxed environment! Registration is not required but space is limited. Attendees are expected to know the rules of chess and must be able to play independently.

### **Toddler Storytime (Ages 1-2)**

*Thursdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Activity Room*

This storytime features lots of movement, singing, and action. The early literacy focus is on short picture books, with simple flannel board stories, fingerplays, and lots of repetition.

### **Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-5)**

*Thursdays, April 2, 9, 16, & 30, 6:30 – 7 p.m., Children's Activity Room*

The early literacy focus is on longer picture books and flannel board stories and other storytelling activities and fingerplays. Children's librarians will share kindergarten readiness resources with caregivers.

### **Qi Gong Meditation & Exercise Classes**

*Fridays, April 3, 10, 17, & 24, 1 – 3 p.m., Auditorium*

Relieve stress and anxiety, increase energy and vitality and improve physical health during these exercise sessions.

Giảm căng thẳng và lo lắng, tăng năng lượng và sức sống, Cải thiện sức khỏe thể chất.

### **Knit & Crochet Circle**

*Fridays, April 3, 10, 17, & 24, 2 – 4 p.m., Conference Room*

Meet other yarn lovers, get help or share ideas. Limited instruction available in English, Hindi, Punjabi and Gujarati, but note this is not a class. Materials not provided.

### **Music & Movement (ages 3-8)**

*Friday, April 3, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m., Activity Room*

Children and their caregivers will have fun exploring music and dancing together.

### **Family Storytime**

*Saturdays, April 4, 11, & 25, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Activity Room*

This 30-minute storytime features lots of movement, singing, and action. The early literacy focus is on picture books, flannel board stories and fingerplays and an early introduction to group dynamics and socialization.

### **Teen Rubik's Cube Club**

*Saturday, April 4, 4 – 5 p.m., Conference Room*

Kids 12+ are invited to meet other cubers, learn new techniques and have fun.

### **Gentle Flow Yoga (ages 13+)**

*Sundays, April 5 and 12, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m., Auditorium*

This practice combines mindful movement, simple breathing techniques, and a calming guided meditation to reduce stress, improve flexibility, and restore balance. Bring a mat.

### **LEGO Club for Grades K-8**

*Monday, April 6, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room*

Children will use their creativity and engineering skills to build anything they can imagine.

### **Baby Bouncers Lapsit (12 months and younger)**

*Tuesdays, April 7, 14, 21, & 28, 11:30 – 11:45 a.m., Activity Room*

This is a baby and caregivers' program with an early literacy focus on traditional nursery rhymes, lap bounces, body rhymes, songs, and very short and simple picture books.

### **Bilingual Family Storytime / [中英雙語故事時間](#)**

*Tuesdays, April 7, 14, 21, & 28, 6:30 – 7 p.m., Children's Activity Room*

The early literacy focus is on sharing stories and songs in English and Mandarin Chinese. 這是以半小時的雙中英語故事書, 兒歌, 手指謠, 玩遊戲為特色的內容。

### **Stay and Play Café for Kids 0-5**

*Friday, April 10, 11:15 a.m. – 12 p.m., Activity Room*

Stay, play and learn with music, toys, and snacks.

### **Gaming Club (Grades 4-8)**

*Friday, April 10, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room*

We will play video games like Super Smash Bros, Mario Kart, and more. Plus, we will also have various board games for fun! Please register.

### **Board Game Day**

*Saturday, April 11, 10 a.m. – 6:30 p.m., Auditorium*

Learn different board games or play your favorite one. This program is open to ages 18+. Online registration is encouraged but not required.

### **Mend with Friends**

*Saturday, April 11, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Conference Room*

Bring your own items to mend. Limited mending supplies and casual instruction are available, but bringing your own favorite tools, extra buttons, fabric scraps, or experience to share is appreciated.

**Dungeons & Dragons: Spring Mini Campaign (Ages 13+)**

*Saturdays, April 11 & 25, 2 – 4 p.m., Conference Room*

Our DM will guide you through the process from character creation and basic rules. Make your own character and get lost in the world of Dungeons and Dragons. Walk-ins welcome.

**International Film Festival**

*Sundays, April 12, 19, & 26, 12 – 5:30 p.m., Auditorium*

Travel the world with us and enjoy a curated group of acclaimed movies.

**Science Fiction and Fantasy Book Club**

*Monday, April 13, 7 – 8 p.m., Auditorium*

Sign up and pick up a copy of [\*Untethered Sky\*](#) by Fonda Lee.

**Little Learners STEAM (Ages 3-5)**

*Tuesday, April 14, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m., Auditorium*

Each month we will nurture curiosity and discover new things through engaging and fun activities. Registration is required.

**Lil Athletes (ages 18 months-4 Years)**

*Wednesday, April 15, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Auditorium*

Stories, stretches, and sports-themed activities for tots on the move! Parents/caregivers must stay and participate with their children.

**Play, Sing and Learn with Golden Acorn Music**

*Friday, April 17, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.*

Children and their families are invited to dance, sing, and learn together as Golden Acorn brings the joy of music to life with songs inspired by our Railway Rollick Play Space.

**Reading Program: Poetry Junk Journal**

*Friday, April 17, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Auditorium*

Let's talk about how writing in a journal can help improve literacy skills. Receive a journal to decorate using everyday paper items like old mail, magazines, etc.

**Earth Day Craft (Grades K-8)**

*Friday, April 17, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room*

Register and join us for fun and exciting Earth Day crafts.

**Sneaker Museum Oakland Presentation**

*Saturday, April 18, 2 – 3 p.m., Auditorium*

Explore the role of sneakers in shaping sports culture, fashion, and personal identity. This program features a curated display of sneakers, magazines, posters, and other materials.

**Adult and Teen Crafternoon: Wire Bonsai (Ages 13+)**

*Saturday, April 18, 3 – 4:30 p.m., Program Room*

Patrons aged 13+ are invited to take part in a different craft or art project each month. No registration is required; walk-in while supplies last.

**The South Bay Needlepointers Stitch-In**

*Monday, April 20, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Conference Room*

The South Bay Needlepointers host programs which encourage members to explore new techniques in needlepoint, and learn about design, color, texture and perspective.

**Books & Bricks Book Club (Grades 4-6)**

*Tuesday, April 21, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room*

Join our book and Lego building club for 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders! This month we are reading [\*Three Tasks for a Dragon\*](#) by Eoin Colfer. Register online.

**Reading Buddies (Grades K-5)**

*Saturday, April 25, 2 – 3 p.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Children can buddy up with a furry friend and read one on one from a favorite book.

**Worm Composting Workshop**

*Saturday, April 25, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Auditorium*

Come join us at our composting workshop and learn how to create your own natural fertilizer from kitchen scraps. Take home your very own worm bin, while supplies last. Registration encouraged to gauge interest and walk-ins welcome!

**The Peaceful Poets**

*Thursday, April 30, 5:30 – 8 p.m., Conference Room*

The Peaceful Poets are a Milpitas-based group of writers and appreciators of poetry.

**MORGAN HILL -- 660 W. Main Avenue**

**Kids LEGO Club**

*Wednesdays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 1 – 2:30 p.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Children will use their creativity and engineering skills to build anything they can imagine.

**After Dinner Book Club**

*Wednesday, April 1, 7 – 8 p.m., Meeting Room*

We will discuss [\*The Correspondent\*](#) by Virginia Evans.

**Toddler Storytime (ages 2-3)**

*Thursdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Join us for a fun-filled storytime featuring stories, songs, rhymes, and lots of movement!

### **Preschool Storytime**

*Thursdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 11:15 a.m. – 12 p.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Join us for a fun-filled storytime featuring stories, songs, rhymes, and lots of interactive movement!

### **Homework Help for Grades K-6**

*Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Students can get free homework help. No registration is required. Homework Help will not be offered March 30 – April 6.

### **Tiny Tot Jamboree (ages 1-2)**

*Fridays, April 3, 10, 17, & 24, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Parents and toddlers: Join us for short stories, rhymes, fingerplays, activities, and songs.

### **Itty Bitty Jamboree (ages 0-12 months)**

*Fridays, April 3, 10, 17, & 24, 12 – 1 p.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Adults and their babies: Join us for short, fun stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and songs. Itty-Bitty Jamboree is 30 minutes followed by Stay & Play time.

### **Free Snacks for Kids! / ¡Meriendas Gratis Para Niños!**

*Mondays-Fridays, 3 – 4 p.m. (except during holidays and school breaks)*

Children ages 0-18 can stop by for a snack, while supplies last. No registration required.

¡Los niños de 0 a 18 años pueden pasar por la biblioteca para recoger una merienda gratis después de la escuela! No es necesario registrarse.

### **Dungeons & Dragons Workshop (ages 11-18)**

*Friday, April 3, 3 – 5 p.m., Program Room*

Master the art of storytelling, improvisation, and running unforgettable sessions. Learn the tricks, tools, and confidence-building skills every great DM needs—whether you're brand new or looking to level up. Please register.

### **Kids Keva Club (Ages 5+)**

*Friday, April 3, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Create structures, sculptures, and ball-runs out of wooden planks. Practice your artistic and architectural skills without tools, glue, nails, or tape - just planks!

### **ESL Conversation Club**

*Saturdays, April 4 & 18, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.*

Come to improve your English speaking and listening skills, while learning about other cultures in a safe and supportive environment.

### **Bilingual Spanish & English Family Storytime**

*Saturdays, April 4, 11, 18, & 25, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Storytimes are bilingual (Spanish/English) and all ages are welcome to attend.

La hora de cuentos es bilingües (español/inglés) y todas las edades son bienvenidas.

### **Dungeons & Dragons 1-Shot Adventures (ages 11-18)**

*Saturday, April 4, 2:30 – 5:30 p.m., Program Room*

We will have Dungeon Masters running three tables to choose from: high level characters, chaotic evil characters and beginning the journey. Please register.

### **Zumba Fitness Class / Clase de Zumba Fitness**

*Mondays, April 6 & 20, 6 – 7 p.m., Community Room*

This Latin-inspired, easy-to-follow dance exhilarates your senses and works all major muscle groups. Este baile de inspiración latina y fácil de seguir estimula tus sentidos y trabaja todos los grupos musculares principales.

### **Reading Buddies for Grades K-6**

*Monday, April 6, 6 – 7 p.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Kids can practice their reading skills while reading aloud to a furry friend. 15-minute sessions.

### **Evening Itty Bitty Jamboree (ages 0-12 months)**

*Tuesdays, April 7 & 21, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Activity Room*

Adults and babies are invited to short, fun stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and songs.

### **Growing Culinary Herbs**

*Wednesday, April 8, 7 – 8 p.m., Large Program Room*

We will cover basic requirements of popular annual and perennial herbs.

### **Safe Space for LGBTQ+ Teens and Young Adults (ages 13-25)**

*Fridays, April 10 & 24, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Program Room*

Our staff-led meetings offer a safe space for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning and ally (LGBTQ+) youth to play games, participate in group activities and discussions and build community.

### **Craft Night for Adults**

*Monday, April 13, 6 – 7:30 p.m.*

Transform Mason jars into amazing, personalized décor. Materials will be provided.

### **Family Fun Night**

*Tuesday, April 14, 6:30 – 8 p.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Families with school-aged children will create art, crafts, or participate in STEM activities. This month we will decorate seed pots for Earth and Arbor Day.

### **Kids Art Club (Ages 5+)**

*Wednesday, April 15, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Join us for an afternoon of creativity with the Kids Art Club. We will explore land art inspired by Andy Goldsworthy.

### **Smartphone Photography (age 12-18)**

*Thursday, April 16, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Program Room*

In this hands-on workshop you will learn tips and tricks on how to use your smartphone camera to produce creative photographs inspired by everyday life, books and movies.

### **Adulting 101: Clothes Mending for Teens**

*Saturday, April 18, 2 – 5 p.m., Program Room*

Learn how to shorten pants, mend holes and replace lost buttons. Practice garments will be provided but you can bring your own clean clothes for advice on how to mend them. Please register.

### **Library Ukulele Society**

*Tuesday, April 21, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m., Community Room*

Bring your uke and music stand or come to listen and sing along. Learn some songs and play together.

### **Sensory Playtime (ages 4-10 with a parent/caregiver)**

*Friday, April 24, 4 – 5 p.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Sensory playtime is a hands-on, interactive experience designed to engage children through a variety of activities. Designed for kids with sensory processing differences, autism, or who have other special needs. Please register.

### **Finding Voice on the Page and in Film**

*Sunday, April 26, 1 – 3 p.m., Community Room*

Participants are invited to reflect on experience and history, whether that is telling a personal story or a family/ancestral one, and to honor what emerges by capturing, preserving and sharing these stories for the future.

### **Chat & Craft: ESL Conversation Club**

*Monday, April 27, 6 – 7:30 p.m., Community Room*

Improve your English listening and speaking skills while making a craft in a fun, supportive environment. We will paint Mason jars. All supplies will be provided.

### **SARATOGA -- 13650 Saratoga Avenue**

#### **The Elaine Revell Collection: A Retrospective in Watercolor**

*Through April 24 in the Library Lobby*

This exhibit is a retrospective of Elaine Revell's (1937-2023) work.

#### **Young Artists of Art Students' Atelier Exhibit**

*Through April 17 in the Library Lobby*

This is an exhibit of drawings and paintings by young local artists who are current or former students of Gabriel Coke from Saratoga.

#### **Family Storytime**

*Tuesdays & Saturdays, April 4, 7, 11, 14, 18, 21, 25, & 28, 11 – 11:30 am, Community Room*

Join us for stories, rhymes, and songs.

#### **Mystery Book Club**

*Monday, April 6, 7 – 8 p.m., Maple Room*

Drop by the Adult Reference Desk at Saratoga Library to sign up for the meeting and pick up [\*Tokyo Express\*](#) by Seichō Matsumoto.

#### **Sci-Fi & Fantasy Book Club**

*Tuesday, April 7, 7 – 8 p.m., Maple Room*

Join in the discussion of [\*A Corner of White\*](#) by Jaclyn Moriarty. You can sign up and get a copy of the book from the adult reference desk.

#### **Knit & Crochet Circle**

*Wednesday, April 8, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room*

Bring your own projects and yarn, ask questions, receive help, give help, share ideas and meet new people.

#### **Baby Storytime (12 months or younger)**

*Wednesdays, April 8, 15, 22, & 29, 11 – 11:15 a.m., Maple Room*

Join us for fun, interactive nursery rhymes, fingerplays, action rhymes, and songs.

#### **Drop-in Tech Help**

*Thursdays, April 9, 16, 23, & 30, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Oak Room*

Get help using your laptop, tablet or cell phone. Help is first-come, first-served.

**Chinese Book Club / 中文書友會**

*Thursday, April 9, 10:15 – 11:45 a.m., Orchard Room*

The discussion is primarily in Mandarin. 參與者可選讀中文或英文版，討論則將以中文為主。

**Furry Reading Buddies (Grades K-5)**

*Fridays, April 10 & 24, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*

Children can buddy up with a furry friend and read one-on-one from a favorite book. Children must register themselves in-person at the Children's Reference Desk.

**Homework Help for Grades K-6**

*Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 4 – 5:30 p.m. and Wednesdays, 3 – 4:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Students can drop-in for free homework help. No registration is required. Caregivers of children under 10 years old must stay with their child. No Homework Help April 1 – 9.

**Board Game Night for Adults**

*Mondays, April 13 & 27, 6 – 8 p.m., Maple Room*

Drop in and play a variety of board games.

**Paint-a-Rock Craft Event**

*Tuesday, April 14, 4 – 5 p.m., Community Room*

Join us as we paint new rock friends. Rocks, paints and brushes provided.

**Master Gardeners: Healthy Soil**

*Tuesday, April 14, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Community Room*

Learn about digging techniques, determining which amendments and fertilizers are needed, lab soil tests, and using cover crops and mulches. We will also discuss common soil-dwelling pests and diseases.

**Lego Club**

*Wednesday, April 15, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*

Kids ages 5 + can use their building skills and imaginations to have fun with LEGOs! There are also Duplos for younger kids.

**Mandarin Storytime**

*Thursday, April 16, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Maple Room*

Join us for fun stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs in Mandarin.

**Teatime Book Chatter**

*Thursday, April 16, 1 – 2 p.m., Maple Room*

Visit the Adult Reference Desk to register and pick up [\*The God of the Woods\*](#) by Liz Moore.

### **Band Jam: Guitar and Ukulele**

*Tuesdays, April 21 & 28, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room*

Meet people who are also working on their music journey, learn new chords/strums, and get encouragement to practice towards mastering your instrument. Bring your own guitar or ukulele, all other materials will be provided.

### **Travel Program: China**

*Tuesday, April 21, 7:15 – 8:30 p.m., Community Room*

Go on a photographic journey through China and these three main locations: Wuzhen, the ancient and charming water town on the Yangtze River, Haungshan, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and Shanghai, with its jumble of 21st-century modernism and colonial French culture and architecture.

### **Open Mic**

*Sunday, April 26, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room*

This is your opportunity to share your musical talents in a safe, inviting community of teens of all levels and ages 13+. Bring your guitar, ukulele, voice, or any fun instruments you have been practicing to perform in an open mic setting.

### **San Jose Japantown**

*Sunday, April 26, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Community Room*

Go on a multimedia journey through the past as San Jose Japantown transformed from a bachelor society to a family community.

### **Technology Class**

*Monday, April 27, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Maple Room*

Our tech help volunteer will give a deeper dive on internet cookies, credit freezing, secure passwords, password managers, multi-factor authentication, and cell phone verification.

## **WOODLAND – 1975 Grant Road**

### **Monday Meditation and Mindfulness**

*Mondays, April 6, 13, 20, & 27, 7 – 7:30 p.m.*

Practice meditation for 20 minutes, then have 10 minutes to talk to the instructor.

### **Adult Book Discussion**

*Tuesday, April 14, 2 – 3:15 p.m.*

Email [laura.pasternack@lib.sccgov.org](mailto:laura.pasternack@lib.sccgov.org) to join. We read fiction and nonfiction titles.

### **Sprouting Stories**

*Sunday, April 19, 11:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Backyard Patio (dress for weather!)*

This fun and engaging storytime supports early literacy through music, movement, and interactive play.

### **SERVICES & SUPPORT CENTER – 1370 Dell Avenue, Campbell**

#### **Joint Powers Authority Board Finance Committee Meeting**

*Wednesday, April 8, 1–2 p.m.*

For accessibility accommodations (ex. ASL), please fill out the online form at [sccl.org/accessibility](http://sccl.org/accessibility) 7+ days prior to the event. If you need assistance with the form, speak with a staff member at your local library, call (408) 540-3945, or email us at [ask@sccl.org](mailto:ask@sccl.org).

#### **Joint Powers Authority Board Meeting**

*Thursday, April 23, 12–1 p.m.*

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### **ONLINE EVENTS (Please register online)**

#### **Virtual Author Talk: Valerie Neal**

*Thursday, April 2, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.*

In [\*On a Mission\*](#), Valerie Neal traces the 45-year history of U.S. women astronauts, drawing on extensive interviews and archival research to illuminate their achievements, challenges, and cultural impact.

#### **Online English Conversation Club**

*Thursdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.*

Meet new friends and practice English together.

#### **Virtual Author Talk: Brad Taylor**

*Tuesday, April 14, 4–5 p.m.*

Brad Taylor's [\*Shadow Strike\*](#) is a high-stakes thriller in which a rogue faction launches a bold plan for retaliation, unleashing a legendary assassin whose mission threatens to ignite a global crisis.

#### **Virtual Author Talk: Alex Hutchinson**

*Thursday, April 16, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.*

Hutchinson's [\*The Explorer's Gene: Why We Seek Big Challenges, New Flavors, and the Blank Spots on the Map\*](#) examines the deep human impulse to seek the unknown.

**Virtual Author Talk: Miranda Cowley Heller**

*Wednesday, April 22, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.*

Heller's [\*What the Deep Water Knows\*](#) offers an intimate and emotionally resonant exploration of a woman's life, tracing her experiences through childhood, marriage, motherhood, and beyond.

**Intro to Money Basics for Teens**

*Wednesday, April 22, 6 – 7 p.m.*

We will discuss what financial institutions are, the different types, and what products, services, and tools they provide to help you manage your money.

**Paying for College with Scholarships**

*Tuesday, April 28, 5 – 6 p.m.*

We will demystify the complex networks and application processes related to scholarships and introduce an approach towards navigating merit and community-based scholarships.

**Understanding Credit and Making Good Money Decisions for Teens**

*Wednesday, April 29, 6 – 7 p.m.*

We will discuss what a credit score is, why credit matters, how to build good credit, what your responsibility is, and what to look for to protect your credit. We will also discuss how to manage your money and make good decisions to build a strong foundation for your future financial health.

**Virtual Author Talk: Jason Reynolds**

*Thursday, April 30, 4 – 5 p.m.*

[\*Coach\*](#) brings the final installment of the Track series to life by exploring the childhood of Otis “Coach” Brody, long before he became a steady, firm-handed mentor.