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LIBRARY KICKS OFF SUMMER READING EVENTS FOR YOUTH, ADULTS



Reading is so delicious! The Fresno County Public Library is pleased to announce its annual summer reading program for all ages, this year with a food-inspired theme. All children and teens who read will win a prize. Adults who perform the tasks of their activity “menu” will be entered into weekly drawings for 49 gift baskets. All adults, teens and children who complete the program will be eligible for the grand prize drawing of seven *Kindle Fires*.

Additional summer reading highlighted events from **June 15th to August 4th** include:

- *Kickoff event at the San Joaquin River Parkway* from 9am-12pm, Saturday June 15th. E&M's Reptile Family and Oklin Bloodworth will be performing; other attractions include games, crafts, bubbles, a bounce house, the Tail Waggin' Tutors, Bentley the Library Dog, food trucks, the Library bookmobile, story times, and summer reading program registration. A great family event!
- *All About Yosemite*. First, the Library will offer An Evening with John Muir, where an expert will get into character to share secrets of Yosemite, 7pm July 17th at Woodward Park Library. Next, community is invited to join the Library on a bus trip to Yosemite, leaving the Central Library at 8am July 21st.

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- *Children's programs* include: magicians; puppet shows; singing and dancing; drumming and storytelling; a reptile show; and a bubble show.
- *Craft activities for teens* include the creation of: edible beach landscapes, friendship bracelets; rhythm sticks, paper flowers, and scrapbook journals.
- In addition to the Yosemite events, a fly fishing series, and square dancing, *the following adult authors will speak*: James Tyner (Poet Laureate of Fresno); Lillian Faderman (*My Mother's Wars*); Ken Eaton (*Missing Dog Tags*); Eric Taylor (*Mist*); and Chad Stambaugh, (*Paranormal Investigations*).

Further details about the summer reading program and a complete schedule of events is available at local branch libraries and online at www.fresnolibrarysrp.org. All events are free with the exception of the bus trip to Yosemite, which is \$25.

"Our summer reading program is truly a community event," said County Librarian Laurel Prysiazny. "It helps students keep their learning tools sharpened, and encourages reading for pleasure at all age levels."

Sponsors include San Joaquin River Parkway, Educational Employees Credit Union, Carl's Junior, Round Table Pizza, Island Water Park, and the Friends of the Fresno County Public Library.



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APPETIZERS 

- ☐ Request a book online
- ☐ Tell a friend about the library
- ☐ Read or listen to a book for 4 hours
- ☐ Follow us on Twitter or YouTube
- ☐ Follow our **Book-Inspired Recipes** board on Pinterest

ENTREES 

- ☐ Read or listen to a book for 4 hours
- ☐ Attend a library event
- ☐ Read to a child or senior for 1 hour
- ☐ Visit 4 library online resources
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- ☐ Submit a photo of yourself reading
- ☐ Read or listen to a book for 4 hours
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