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Summer Fun for the Family at the Davis Branch Library

(Woodland, CA) – This summer, enjoy sensational family programs at the Mary L. Stephens Branch Library, located at 2801 2nd Street in Davis, each Wednesday evening, starting on June 16 with a kick-off event from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Additional Wednesday evening programs, running through July 21, will be held at 6:30 p.m. Visit the Davis branch library for more information.

Explorit Science Center and the Yolo County Sheriff's Marine Search & Rescue will share the stage during this special kick-off event on June 16. Activities will include stories, face painting, music, food, science, water safety and a prize raffle. To enter into the raffle, 3 to 12-year-olds must register for the reading incentive program prior to this event, but do not need to be present to win. Also, a SCVNGR hunt will be held from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. for teens. To participate, teens must sign up for the teen summer reading program (details below) prior to the scavenger hunt and must bring a working cell phone. The first ten to complete the hunt will win a prize.

The Davis branch library's regularly scheduled bilingual preschool programs – Mother Goose on the Loose, Hug-a-Bye Baby and Stories for Kids – will continue through June and July. In addition, Davis Poet Laureate, Allegra Silberstein, will share poetry with school-aged children during three Thursday sessions – June 24, July 8 and July 22 – 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. All events are free and no registration is required.

This is the 11th year of this popular teen summer reading program – Make Waves @ Your Library – where teens can win prizes just by reading a few books. Starting June 12, teens age 13-18, can sign up for the program at the Davis branch library (and other branch libraries throughout the system) to read and rate as many books of their own choosing until August 7 to be eligible for weekly prizes and a grand prize at the end of the summer. Gift certificates to local stores will be raffled off weekly with an iPod raffled off at the end of summer.

“The summer reading programs at all of the Yolo County Library branches offer a way for teens to engage in meaningful fun activities during the summer while keeping up with their reading,” said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chairwoman Helen M. Thomson. “Youth come from all corners of the county to participate.”

“The summer reading program provides an opportunity for young people, who wouldn't normally meet one another, to work and play together,” said Yolo County Librarian Patty Wong. “Young people can learn more about the services we offer, including ways to gain community service credit through volunteerism.”

The Friends of the Davis Branch Library generously sponsor the Mary L. Stephens Davis Branch Library summer events. For more information on these programs visit: www.yolocountylibrary.org (select Kids Place or Teen Place) or call 530-757-5593.

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