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January Programs at the West Sacramento Branch Library

(Woodland, CA) –Celebrate the New Year with the following special programs held during the month of January at Yolo County’s Arthur F. Turner Community Library, located at 1212 Merkle Avenue in West Sacramento.

- **January 2: West Sacramento Friends of the Library (WSFOL) Meeting, 6:00 p.m.** WSFOL is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to serving the West Sacramento community supporting library programs and services. WSFOL is always recruiting for new friends. Please contact the WSFOL for more information by calling (916) 375-6465, extension 4 or email wsfol99@yahoo.com. The WSFOL meets the last Wednesday of the month. There are two meetings In January.
- **January 4: Maker Kids, 3:30 p.m.** Maker Kids is coming to the Arthur F. Turner Community Library! Please join us for a monthly hands-on program exploring science, technology, engineering, art, and math at the library. Every month explore a new activity examining the fascinating world around us. Best for ages 6-12. Young children will need the assistance of their parent/caregiver.
- **January 6: Sunday Movie Matinee for Adults, 2:00 p.m.** Join us for a PG-13 or rated R movie shown on our giant screen, with free popcorn! For ages 18+ only. Brought to you through the generous support of the West Sacramento Friends of the Library. Call the library for the title at (916) 375-6465.
- **January 9: Fall Prevention Class, 12:00 p.m.** Adults are invited to attend a free two-hour fall prevention and fitness class for seniors. Vicki “Mae” Denman has been teaching yoga since 1980 and is currently working with individuals who are concerned with body challenges due to age, chronic illness, or stability. She is trained in three different modalities of fall prevention.
- **January 11: Lego Block Party!, 3:30 p.m.** Please join us for our monthly block party. Have fun building with Legos in the Community Room. In this self-directed program youth are invited to build with Legos at the Library. Big and small blocks will be provided. Parents/caregivers are encouraged to stay and play alongside their children. Not recommended for children under 3.
- **January 13: Family Movie, 2:00 p.m.** Join us for a family-friendly movie rated G or PG shown on our giant screen, with free popcorn! Brought to you with the generous support of the West Sacramento Friends of the Library. Call the library for the title at (916) 375-6465.

- **January 14: Love on a Leash, 3:00 p.m.** Children (ages 6-12) are invited to join us for a fun “Read to a Dog” program. Parents/caregivers are asked to stay with their child to help with the reading. After 10 visits a participant may choose a free book.
- **January 14: Therapeutic Tai Chi and Qigong – Part XXXVI, 4:00 p.m.** Learn a series of movements and breathing exercises for general wellness, stress relief, physical balance, flexibility, and fall prevention. Come in comfortable clothing; floor mats and chairs will be provided. New participants are welcome and no registration is required.
- **January 16: Computer 102 Class, 9:00 a.m.** Adults are invited to register for this free basic computer class. It offers participants a basic introduction to Microsoft, Word, Excel, and PowerPoint, and what they are used for, as well as time to practice. Computers will be provided. Registration is required as space is limited.
- **January 16: What’s Happening Seniors?, 12:00 p.m.** Are you looking to get together with active seniors and make new friends? Come share stories, learn from one another, and find out “What’s Happening” in West Sacramento and beyond.
- **January 16 & 30: Teen Club, 5:00 p.m.** Teens (ages 13-18) are invited to participate in our bi-weekly program focused on developing leadership skills through engaging activities. Snacks will be provided. Teen Room.
- **January 16: Evening Book Club, 6:00 p.m.** Come see old friends and meet new ones for a lively discussion. Books are collected and distributed at the meeting. This month’s reading selection will be *Grayson* by Lynne Cox. Please contact Cindy at (916) 731-5504 for more information.
- **January 18: Lunar New Year Celebration, 3:00 p.m.** Let’s celebrate the Year of the Pig. Families are invited to come in and make crafts. Leave with a red envelope and goodies inside.
- **January 24: Aguas Frescas, 6:00 p.m.** Come and drink aguas frescas (Spanish for cool waters) while creating a maker project. This month’s project is cork art. Materials provided.
- **January 24: Tales for Tails, 4:00 p.m.** Children (ages 6-12) are invited to join us for a fun “Read to a Dog” program. Parents/caregivers are asked to stay with their child to help with the reading. After 10 visits a participant may choose a free book.
- **January 30: West Sacramento Friends of the Library (WSFOL) Meeting, 6:00 p.m.** WSFOL is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to serving the West Sacramento community supporting library programs and services. WSFOL is always recruiting for new friends. Please contact the WSFOL for more information by calling (916) 375-6465, extension 4 or email wsfol99@yahoo.com. The WSFOL meets the last Wednesday of the month.

The following ongoing programs continue in January:

- **Mother Goose on the Loose:** Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m. Ages 1-3.
- **Homework Center:** Tuesdays and Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. FREE afterschool program for children in grades 3-8 to receive homework help. Pre-registration is required at the Information Desk. Questions? Please call the Innovation Coordinator at (916) 375-6468.

- **Bilingual Russian Story Time:** Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. Ages 0-5.
- **Preschool Story Time:** Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. Ages 3-5.
- **Buddy Reading:** Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m. Practice reading and build confidence with an older “buddy.” Each child will be paired up with a high school student from the River City High School Interact Club for a 30-minute reading session. After 10 visits a participant may choose a free book.
- **English Conversation Group:** Wednesdays at 4:00 p.m. and Fridays at 10:00 a.m.
- **Hug-a-Bye Baby Story Time:** Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. Ages 0-12 months.
- **Hora de Cuentos/Bilingual Spanish Story Time:** Saturdays at 11:00 a.m. Ages 0-5.

NOTICES: Yolo County Library branches will be closed on January 1 for New Year’s Day and on January 21 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. On January 28 all branches will be open from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

End of Overdue Fines for Youth: We are celebrating the New Year with the elimination of overdue fines for youth! Effective January 1 the Yolo County Library will eliminate overdue fines on materials borrowed by youth under 18-years old and, on a one-time basis, waive all outstanding fines and fees on youth accounts on January 1.

Yolo Reads: This Yolo County Library program provides free tutoring to adults who want to improve their reading, writing, spelling, and grammar skills. Yolo Reads supports literacy in Yolo County communities by providing free instruction to English speaking adult learners. Learners receive one-on-one support from volunteer tutors, free materials, free computer use, and access to the Yolo County Library collections.

For those interested in tutoring, no experience is necessary, the hours are flexible, and Yolo Reads provides all necessary training and materials. Our next orientation will be held at the Mary L. Stephens Davis Branch Library, January 29 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Contact us at (530) 666-8019 or at libraryvolunteer@yolocounty.org.

Unless otherwise stated, all programs are sponsored by the West Sacramento Friends of the Library, are free to attend, and do not require registration. For more information about events at the Arthur F. Turner Community Library, contact library staff at (916) 375-6465 or visit the Yolo County Library at: www.yolocountylibrary.org (see calendar for Arthur F. Turner Community Library-specific events). Connect with the Yolo County Library on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/yolocountylibrary.org.

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