

Hercules Community and Library Services Commission
Librarian Report
FEBRUARY 2020

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS:

Title	Date	Time	Description
Builder's Club	2/4/2020	3:30-5PM	Kids let your imaginations take over as you build with LEGOs. Creations will be displayed in the library. No registration required. Unless otherwise noted, the Builders Club meets the first Tuesday of every month. We ask that parents keep an eye on little ones for choking hazards.
Candidate Forum – CCC Board of Supervisors, District V	2/4/2020	6:30PM	<p>Contra Costa County Library will host a candidate forum for Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors, District V representative. Hear directly from the candidates about their experience and positions on issues relevant to the office. This event is being done in partnership with the League of Women Voters, the Contra Costa County Elections Department and CCTV.</p> <p>County residents unable to attend the forums can watch live on the Contra Costa County Library Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ccclib/. The forums will also be archived on the Library's YouTube channel https://www.youtube.com/user/theccclib.</p>

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Computer Basics	2/5/2020 2/12/2020 2/19/2020 2/26/2020	10:00AM- 11:30AM	Come to the Hercules Library for help with basic computer skills. The first hour will be skills taught in a group setting, followed by an opportunity to practice skills and get additional help from our instructor. No registration required
Drop in Homework Help	2/5/2020 2/12/2020 2/26/2020	3-5pm	Teen volunteers help kids in grades K-5 with their homework! Please note, no Homework Help on 11/27/19
All Abilities Playgroup Workshop	2/8/2020	1:30PM	Speech-pathologist moms, Arezu Mashirian and Kathryn Brodsky of Chit Chat Preschool, will model and encourage evidence-based, therapeutic strategies for facilitating communication and play. They will answer questions and offer individualized referral information for a range of community agencies, resources, and parent support organizations. Toddlers 0-3, siblings welcome
Free Tax Help	2/8/2020 2/15/2020 2/22/2020 2/29/2020	3:30PM	If your 2019 household income was less than \$58,000, you can get free tax help here in West Contra Costa County. IRS-certified tax preparers will help you get the refund you deserve. You could qualify for the Earned Income Tax credit, which could mean a refund of up to \$6,000.

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			<p>What to Bring:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ID Card • Social Security Card or ITIN numbers • All W-2's, 1099's and other income forms • Landlord contact information • A voided Bank Account check for direct deposit • Last year's tax return • Childcare provider name, address, and tax ID number. <p>Call 510.224.4635 or visit Eventbrite for an appointment:</p>
Chinese New Year Shadow Puppet Show*	2/11/2020	1:00PM	Join the library to celebrate the Chinese Lunar New Year. Go Mandarin! will perform a special storytime complete with a special shadow puppet show to ring in the year of the Rat.
Uke and Me @the Library*	2/24/2020	6:30PM-7:30PM	Slow down and enjoy the sounds of the islands as you learn to make beautiful music at the library. With monthly teacher-led ukulele classes you will be a master in no time. Bring your own ukulele or use one provided by the library. A limited number of instruments will be available to take home, registration required to reserve a provided ukulele. Please visit, register online or call (510) 245-2420 to register.
SHABANG! The History and Music of the Steel Drum*	2/25/2020	6:00PM	Join us for a night where we celebrate <i>Carnivàle</i> and the music and history of steel drums with a fun and informative performance by

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		the steel pan group SHABANG! They will perform a selection of steel pan music for us while sharing about the origin of the steel drum, and its' role in black celebrations on the islands and here in the United States.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Get Free Tax Help at the Library (United Way and AARP)

Every Saturday, February 8th-April 11th

10am-3pm

Call 510-224-4635 for an appointment

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Network Outage Update

On January 3rd Contra Costa County Library services were disrupted by a cyber security incident. The ransomware attack impacted a number of library services, and as of January 30, all services have been restored including online account access as well as WiFi and printing.

Library and County IT staff are working to secure and upgrade the Library's network to prevent future attacks and law enforcement continues to investigate the cause of the breach. We'd like to thank you for your patience during the recovery and as we continue to make the library better for everyone.

Check out 10 items get a bag! One per family while supplies last.



All Contra Costa County Libraries will be closed on Monday February 17th for the President's Day holiday.

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