

# Coming UP

# @ the Library



The Tulare County Public Libraries



July - September 2006

*The Library is central to our free society. It is a critical element in the free exchange of information at the heart of our democracy. – Vartan Gregorian*

## July

**For kids, summer reading programs continue at all branches of the Tulare County Library in July. New summer readers welcome anytime!**

This year the summer reading theme is **Paws, Claws, Scales and Tales**. Kids can come and have summer reading fun with special programs like Oklin Bloodworth, Randel McGee and Groark, or Circus Extravaganza. Call your library branch or check the Library's website [www.tularecountylibrary.org](http://www.tularecountylibrary.org) and click on the Summer Reading Program and your branch for details.



**Mon., July 10<sup>th</sup>, at 7 pm** - Friends of the Tulare County Library business meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Visalia Library, everyone is welcome. **No July book sale at Visalia.**

**Visalia Branch pre-school story time will continue every Wednesday morning at 11:00am.**

## August

**Sat., August 5<sup>th</sup>, from 10am to 2pm** - Friends of the Library book sale in the courtyard at the Visalia Library. The Library's Read to Succeed Literacy Center will sell drinks to benefit their program and **children's books will be six for a dollar.**

## September

**Sat., September 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 10 am to 2pm** – Another Friends of the Library Saturday book sale.

The after-school study center will be starting up again in mid-September.

Watch for fall Friends and Literacy Center events.

**Are you looking for good books for your kids to read – or for you to read to them - this summer? A book award reading lists are a good source.**

Books which have earned book awards, such as the Newbery, Caldecott, Coretta Scott King, or the new Theodor Seuss Geisel award, have award seals printed on their covers. The Library has reading lists and information about these awards available at the children's desk.



Newberry



Caldecott



Coretta Scott  
King



Pura Belpré



Theodor Seuss  
Geisel



Michael Printz

**Some recent children's book award titles are:** *Criss Cross, Kira-Kira, The Hello, Goodbye Window, Kitten's First Full Moon, Ellington Was Not a Street, Doña Flor, Henry and Mudge and the Great Grandpas, The First Part Last, and Kit's Wilderness.* Some well known past winners are: *Holes, Sarah Plain and Tall, Out of the Dust, The Polar Express, Bud, Not Buddy, Jumanji, and Where the Wild Things Are.*

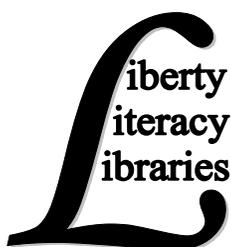
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### The Declaration of Independence

Oil painting



by John Trumbull



For the month of July, the glass case display at the Visalia Branch is all about the Declaration of Independence and its 56 signers. The movie, *National Treasure*, suggested that something was printed on the back of the Declaration of Independence. To see what's on the back, look up the National Archives – Declaration of Independence web page. It has lots of other fascinating facts, and with a click of your mouse you can place your signature on the Declaration.

*Happy 4<sup>th</sup> !*

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**Visit the Annie Mitchell Local History Room** at the Visalia Branch, open Monday through Thursday from 1 – 5 pm. The Annie R. Mitchell History Room contains a wide variety of non-circulating local history materials, including books, maps, indexes, and photos.

Join your local **Friends of the Library** group to support your library. The Friends raise money - mostly through used book sales - to buy books and equipment for our county library branches and to sponsor children's and adult programs – including the summer reading programs! Call your library branch for information.

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