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PRESS RELEASE

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Manteca Branch Temporary Closes for New Flooring Installation

A long-awaited new Library floor will greet Manteca Library patrons by the end of 2016. To allow for proper installation in the timeliest manner, the Manteca Public Library will temporarily close so that workers can begin the process of removing the old carpet, moving bookshelves, furniture, and equipment, and installing new flooring for our patrons to enjoy.

The last day of regular Library hours will be October 30, 2016. The Library will remain temporarily closed from October 31, 2016 to November 30, 2016, tentatively.

Manteca Library due dates will be adjusted to accommodate the closure and reduce the risk of patrons incurring fines.

During this time, the Manteca Library staff encourages patrons to visit any of the other 12 Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library locations during the closed dates. A complete list of Stockton-San Joaquin County branch locations, hours, and programs is available at <http://ssjcpl.org/> under the tab "Locations". Below are the branches nearest to the Manteca Library:

Lathrop Branch Library: 450 Spartan Way Lathrop, CA. Located in the Lathrop Generations Center, a short walk from the Lathrop High School.

Ripon Branch Library: 333 W. Main Street Ripon, CA. Located in downtown Ripon.

Storytimes have always been a programming favorite for Manteca Library and we are pleased to share that the closure of Manteca Library coincides with November's Children's Picturebook Month. For the month of November, Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library's Programming Librarian I from Chavez will be doing surprise "pop-up" Storytimes all through the county in multiple locations, including Manteca! Keep an eye out for fun and exciting Storytimes in unique places in lieu of traditional branch located events.

Upon reopening, the Library will be able to continue offering the same level of service including Library computers, access to the Library's W-Fi Internet connection, regular All About Baby and Preschool Storytimes, and other educational and recreational programs for all ages.

The Library staff thank everyone for their patience and understanding during this time of transition, and look forward to continuing to serve the community, inspiring a love for reading, and emphasizing the importance of literacy.

The Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library is a Library system comprised of 13 branch Libraries and two mobile vehicles that serve residents throughout Stockton and San Joaquin County. For more information about the Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library call (209) 937-8221 (Stockton), or countywide toll-free at (866) 805-7323. Visit the Library's website at www.ssjcpl.org. Find SSJCPL on Twitter (twitter.com/ssjcpl) or Facebook (facebook.com/ssjcpl), and join in conversations celebrating literacy.

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