

# THE LITERACY CIRCLE



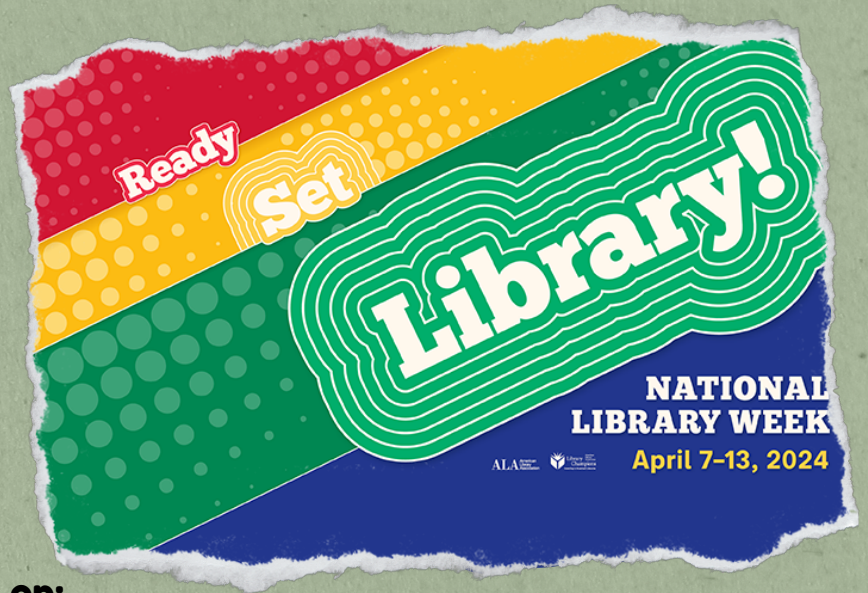
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### ALSO!

**Keep reading so you don't miss out on:**

#### Becoming a Friend of the Library!

With library lovers month (February) coming to an end and National Library Week around the corner, now it's a great time to become a friend of the library. Find how you can become one and support your library.

#### Cooking with Cecy

Have you heard about this program? Interested in learning a new recipe? This program for adults might be for you!

#### Family Summer Reading Program coming soon!

Start getting your engines ready! Our annual summer reading program is close. Keep reading to find out more!

## Family Literacy:

A mother's reading skill is the greatest determinant of her children's future academic success, outweighing other factors, such as neighborhood and family income.





# ATTENTION!

**Did you know that the Camarena Memorial Library offers a tutoring program for adults that are in need of improving their English reading and writing skills?**

**Our services are learner-centered to better help build basic skills, and empower learners to reach their goals with the support of volunteer tutors that help them on their journey.**

**Some of these goals might include:**

- Learn the alphabet, letters and sounds**
- Use technology skills (such as typing, basic internet search or use email)**
- Get a diploma**
- Better communicate with educators**
- Search, apply and prepare for a job interview**
- Become a citizen**



**Sessions are once a week and we work around your availability!**

**The library is always accepting and looking for new learners to join the program**

**And while waiting to get a tutor the learner can get access to online platforms that will help them practice in the meantime!**

**Remember... if you or someone you know is in need of improving their reading and writing skills, do not hesitate to get in touch with us to get more information on how to sign up or to set up an appointment**

**For more information please call: (760) 768-2170 or (760) 768-7480  
Or email: [library@calexico.ca.gov](mailto:library@calexico.ca.gov)**

# ONLINE RESOURCES

**Take a look at some of the many online resources the library has for you:**

**Brainfuse HelpNow: Free online tutoring everyday from 10am - 10pm**



**LearningExpress: Self paced tutorials, test practice, career orientation and more!**

**Hoopla: Get access to eBooks, audiobooks, graphic novels, movies and more for free with your library card!**



**To access these resources or any of the many more available, please visit: <https://calexicolibrary.org/resources>**

*If you have any questions about how to access these platforms do not hesitate to contact us!*

# LIBRARY PROGRAMS



## Día del niño - Family Night

Join us for our "Día del Niño" Family Night on Thursday, April 25, 2024 from 5-7 pm.

We will have arts & crafts, games, art and sensory activities, reading guest and a snack. Also, every child (0-12) in attendance gets a FREE book to take home.

And remember that we have a raffle at the end of the night!

Online registration starts in April 15-24

Visit our website to register and for more information: <https://calexicolibrary.org/>



## National Library Week: Ready, Set, Library!

The theme for National Library Week 2024, “Ready, Set, Library!,” promotes the idea that in our always-online world, libraries give us a green light to something truly special: a place to connect with others, learn new skills, and focus on what matters most.

**SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, April 11, 2024**

**Join us for an AUTHOR EXPO! Come meet different authors and their works.**

For more activities during National Library Week please check our calendar!

## Become a Friend of the Library

The Friends of Camarena Memorial Library is a volunteer service group which acts as a liaison to communicate the needs of the community to the library and to the operations of the library to the community.

Every new member adds to the numbers in our advocacy group supporting the library and its services.

Also every new member, by paying an annual membership adds to the funds we have to augment library programming.

For more information and membership dues, please visit:  
<https://calexicolibrary.org/friends>



**Next meeting: Friday, April 26, 2024 at  
4:30 pm**



## Cooking with Cecy

Do you want to learn a new recipe that you can make at home? Adults 18+ are invited to sign up for this monthly cooking demonstration class.

Call us at (760) 768-2170 to secure your spot! Limited space available.  
This class is offered the second Monday of the month at 5:00 pm.

## Family Summer Reading Program

Adventure Begins at Your Library is this year's theme, so immerse yourself in the love of books and reading!

This year's program will run from June 17 to August 8, 2024.  
Schedule will be available in May.

You will have 8 weeks to read for the fun of it! All children, teens and adults must be registered in the club to participate.

Prizes will be awarded at the end of the summer program!



**Check our summer schedule for dates and times. If you have any questions, please send us an email to [library@calexico.ca.gov](mailto:library@calexico.ca.gov)**

## Upcoming Literacy Programs

Let's Talk - Every Thursday @ 5:30 pm  
Join in person or via Zoom

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Family Literacy Night - The last Monday of the month  
@ 5:00 pm

In person only - Bring your children!  
Next meetings: 04/29 & 05/27

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Library Learners Book Club - The third Tuesday of the  
month @ 5:30 pm

Join in person or via Zoom  
Next meetings: 04/16 & 05/21

## Extra programming and events

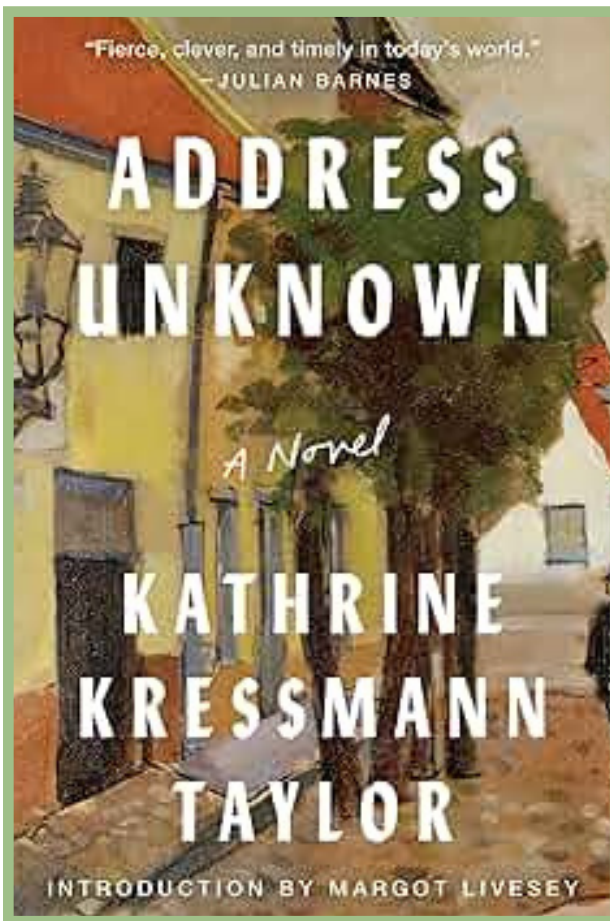
Free Tax help from Dreams for Change - Thursdays  
3:30 pm - 6:30 pm

For more details and to set up your appointment please  
call (760) 996-3702

Dates: 03/28, 04/04 & 04/11

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National Volunteers Week  
April 21 - 27

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Presentation on Anxiety by Imperial County Behavioral  
Health Services Department  
Monday, May 13 @ 3:30 pm



## The Literacy Circle Book Recommendation Address Unknown by Kathrine Kressmann Taylor

A rediscovered classic and international bestseller that recounts the gripping tale of a friendship destroyed at the hands of Nazi Germany

In this searing novel, Kathrine Kressmann Taylor brings vividly to life the insidious spread of Nazism through a series of letters between Max, a Jewish art dealer in San Francisco, and Martin, his friend and former business partner who has returned to Germany in 1932, just as Hitler is coming to power.

Originally published in Story magazine in 1938, Address Unknown became an international sensation. Credited with exposing the dangers of Nazism to American readers early on, it is also a scathing indictment of fascist movements around the world and a harrowing exposé of the power of the pen as a weapon.

A powerful and eloquent tale about the consequences of a friendship-and society-poisoned by extremism, Address Unknown remains hauntingly and painfully relevant today.

Available on Hoopla - 1hr 8min

<https://www.hoopladigital.com/audiobook/address-unknown-kathrine-kressmann-taylor/14126915>

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“There is no friend as loyal as a book.”  
— Ernest Hemingway