

Lathrop Parks & Recreation
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Lathrop Branch Library (866) 805-7323

Spring Programs:

For more information and complete details on all programs being offered, please contact the Lathrop Community Center, or view the Activity Guide online at <http://www.ci.lathrop.ca.us/prd/activityguide>

Free Snack Program

A Snack Program is offered at the Lathrop Community Center each weekday throughout the year. Any child eighteen (18) and under may eat free at this federally funded (US Department of Agriculture) food service program. Snack is served from 3:15 to 4:15 PM. The child does not have to be part of any Lathrop Parks & Recreation program in order to participate in the program. It is open to the whole community! Please note that snacks are NOT served on weekends or holidays. For more information regarding this program, please contact the Lathrop Community Center at 209-941-7370.

Kids Club Camps

Kid Club "Off-Track" Camp Options are available at the Lathrop Community Center, Monday – Friday, 9 AM to 3 PM. This camp costs \$60 per week or \$15 per day.

- **How Does Your Garden Grow? (Spring Break Camp!!!)**

Learn how to make compost, plant seeds, and care for our planet around us. We will learn about recycling, different kinds of pollution, where rain comes from and much more through games and crafts.

❖ April 6-10, 2009

Spring Classes & Programs:

Art for Young Children

This is a beginning art program that includes sculpture, painting, and other art mediums to create simple but great looking kids art projects! This class is for boys and girls ages 5 to 8 years old. Classes are based on the calendar month.

Day/Time: Tuesdays, 4:30-5:30 PM
Facilitator: Niki Thomas
Location: Lathrop One (15445 Seventh Street, Lathrop)
Fee: \$25 per month

Tennis Classes

Our new tennis program is managed by Lance Turner and Future Stars 2000's. Future Stars 2000's began as a small tennis program founded by Lance Turner in just three cities: Stockton, Lodi and Manteca. In 1995, Future Stars incorporated as a non-profit public service 501c3 organization. The mission of Future Stars 2000's is to promote and grow the game of tennis in Northern California.

In partnership with the USTA and the Department of Parks & Recreation, Future Stars 2000's provides affordable tennis programs in 19 cities – making them the largest grassroots tennis organization in the country! Since the beginning of 2008, 6 new cities have been added to the program, including Sacramento and Lathrop! Future Stars 2000's has Junior Wilson Tennis Racquets for sale - \$15 -\$20 each.

Several classes for different age levels are available, including:

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| ➤ Tiny Tots | 4-7 years | \$30 per month |
| ➤ Pre-Academy | 8-17 years | \$45 per month |
| ➤ Junior Excellence/Adult | 12 years & up | \$55 per month |

For more information about these classes, please contact the Lathrop Community Center at 941-7370.

Spring Sports:

Pee Wee Soccer

This is an instructional league for children 4 to 7 years old. No scores or standings will be kept. Basic fundamentals of the game will be taught. Players will participate in practices and games. Recreation Department Staff provides coaching. Each participant will receive a t-shirt and trophy.

Dates: April 6-May 20, 2009
Days: Mondays & Wednesdays
Time: 4:30-5:30 PM
Fee: \$35
Location: Sangalang Park

Deadline for Registration is March 20, 2009

Youth Soccer

Designed for 3rd through 8th grades, this competitive league will determine teams by age and skill evaluation. Volunteer coaches will be used. All participants will receive a t-shirt and participation trophy.

Dates: April 7-May 21, 2009
Days: Tuesdays & Thursdays
Time: 4:30-5:30 PM
Fee: \$35

Location: Sangalang Park

Deadline for Registration is March 20, 2009

Coaches Wanted

The City of Lathrop Parks & Recreation Department is seeking people interested in coaching children ranging in ages from 4 to 13 years old. These programs are instructional and teach basic fundamentals. The Pee Wee Leagues (4-7 years) consist of Flag Football, Basketball, Soccer and T-Ball. The Youth League (3rd-8th grades) consists of Flag Football, Basketball and Soccer. If interested in coaching any of these sports, please call Christina Gaines at 941-7376.

Teen Volleyball League

Come enjoy playing volleyball with your friend's ages 13-18 years. This is great way to make new friends and get a great workout. You can sign up as an individual or bring in a group of friends for a full team. Teams not established will be determined by Parks & Recreation staff.

Dates: April 1-May 27, 2009
Days: Wednesdays
Time: 5-7 PM (games at 5 PM & 6 PM)
Fee: \$10 per month
Location: Lathrop Community Center Gym

Teen 7-a-Side Soccer League

This 10-week competitive soccer league is for teen's ages 13-18 years old. Come enjoy playing soccer with your friends, and get a great workout! Sign up individually or bring in a group of friends for a full team. Teams not established will be determined by Parks & Recreation staff.

Dates: April 4-June 6, 2009
Days: Saturdays
Time: 1-4:45 PM (games at 1 PM, 2:15 PM & 3:30 PM)
Fee: \$20 per player
Location: Woodfield Park

No class Saturday, May 23, 2009.

Adult Classes and Sports:

Adult Coed Volleyball League

This competitive league will be held on Wednesday evenings with games at 7 PM, 8 PM and 9 PM. We will be accepting the first six teams that register with rosters and payment.

Days: Wednesdays
Dates: April 1 – June 3
Time: 7-10 PM (games at 7 PM, 8 PM & 9 PM)
Fee: \$200 per team
Location: Lathrop Community Center Gym

Registration deadline is March 20, 2009

MANDATORY Coaches Meeting is Wednesday, March 20, 2009 at 7 PM at the Lathrop Community Center.

Stroller Derby

Come join the fun and exercise while Stroller Walking for fitness. This class will include mommies or daddies with their babies or toddlers. Class is based on a calendar month and meets twice a week; Tuesdays and Thursday at 9 AM at Valverde Park.

Days: Tuesdays & Thursdays
Time: 9 AM
Fee: \$10 per month
Location: Valverde Park

Lunch Break Power Walk

This class is designed for the person who would like to take a brisk, energetic walk through the park during their lunch break. Join our instructor and other walkers as we enjoy the fresh green surroundings. Class is based on a calendar month and meets twice a week; Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11 AM at Valverde Park.

Days: Tuesdays & Thursdays
Time: 11 AM
Fee: \$10 per month
Location: Valverde Park

Bocce Ball

Have you ever wanted to play bocce ball but just didn't know how? Here is the perfect opportunity to learn the game! This class is open to people ranging in skill from novice to expert. Drop by the new bocce ball court at Valverde Park to join in a game.

Dates: March 4-25
Days: Wednesdays
Time: 9 AM
Fee: FREE
Location: Valverde Park Bocce Ball Court

Instructor: Connie Fugazi

Ballroom Dance

This new and exciting class will cover all the essentials of ballroom dance such as footwork, timing, style, technique, appearance and proper dance etiquette. Dances taught may include the Waltz, Fox Trot, Cha-Cha, Rumba, Hustle, Eastern Swing, West Coast Swing, Tango, Salsa, Mambo and Samba! Class is designed for the beginner to intermediate dancer. These classes will be wrapped up each month with a practice party – bring a guest! Students will need to wear leather sole shoes. Classes based on a calendar month.

Day: Friday
Time: 7-8 PM
Fee: \$28 per person
Instructor: Theresa Velazquez
Location: Lathrop Senior Center

Private Ballroom Dance Instruction

Private instruction in ballroom dance focuses on our individual needs. Instructor will choreograph for wedding routines, competitive dancing and shows. Lessons are one hour long and the fee is per person. Students must register in advance. Call the office for available times and days. Pre-teens and teens okay with parents. Sign up for two private lessons for only \$64!

Day: Friday
Time: 6-7 PM
Fee: \$50 per private lesson per person; or \$64 per couple
Instructor: Theresa Velazquez
Location: Lathrop Senior Center

Spring Teen Programs:

First Fridays! and Teens on Center Court!

As of March 6, 2009, Open Gym will be moved to 6-9 PM and will become a tournament style pickup game. We will be organizing games of five on five basketball in a 1st to 21 wins basis. Winner stays and plays. Teams of five will be formed continuously throughout the night. Food and drinks will be sold.

“Open Gym from now on will not be the same, so lace up your kicks and come get in the game!”

First Friday!

Dates: March 6, April 3, May 1
Time: 6-9 PM

Location: Lathrop Community Center

Teens on Center Court!

Dates: March 20, April 17, May 15

Time: 6-9 PM

Location: Lathrop Community Center

Teen Dance

The Lathrop Youth Advisory Commission (YAC) is hosting a teen dance this spring! The dance will be held on Saturday, May 16th from 7-10pm at the Lathrop Community Center. The dance is for middle school and high school teen's grades 7-12. Come and join the fun! We will have pizza, drinks and candy for sale. We need help with volunteers and chaperones. For more information, please call Ruby Herrera at 941-7372.

- **Date:** Saturday, May 16th
- **Time:** 7-10 PM
- **Fee:** \$3
- **Location:** Lathrop Community Center Gym

Library:

Lathrop Library Hours of Operation are:

Sunday – Closed

Mondays 3 – 7 PM

Tuesdays 10 AM – 3 PM

Wednesdays & Thursdays 3 – 7 PM

Friday – Closed

Saturday 10AM – 3 PM

The Lathrop Branch Library offers computer workstations for general and internet use, a small ready reference collection and a small circulating collection of popular materials. Newspapers and magazines are available for browsing. Lathrop residents are able to receive reserves and return materials from other branches at this facility.

Computer Classes

Would you like to learn more about computers? The Lathrop Branch Library wants to help you! Come take our basic computer classes to boost your skills and confidence. Pre-registration is suggested.

- **Basic Computers**
March 2, 2009; 5:30 PM
May 13, 2009; 5:30 PM

- **Internet Basics**
March 16, 2009; 5:30 PM
May 27, 2009; 5:30 PM
- **E-mail – How to Set Up & Use E-mail**
March 30, 2009; 5:30 PM
- **How To Search Google**
April 13, 2009; 5:30 PM
- **Beginning Word**
April 27, 2009; 5:30 PM

Preschool Storytime

Join us for fun filled Preschool Storytimes consisting of age appropriate stories and fingerplays that will help develop your child's love of reading. Storytimes will be held every Tuesday from March 3 – May 26, 2009 at 10:30 AM. See you there!

All About Baby Storytime

Join us for All About Baby Storytime designed for babies from 6 months to 18 months. All About Baby consists of activities, simple rhymes; music and stories to encourage intellectual and social growth that will help develop your baby's language skills and prepare them to be readers. Storytimes will be held every Tuesday from March 3 – March 31, 2009 at 10 AM.

Dr. Seuss Craft Program

Everyone loves Dr. Seuss. Join us for a program featuring Dr. Seuss crafts, stories and a movie at this fun family event.

March 4, 2009; 5:30 PM

Springtime Craft

Join us at the Lathrop Branch Library for a children's springtime craft.

April 7, 2009; 11 AM

Teen Wii Program

Are you game for a good time? Join us at the Lathrop Library for a Nintendo Wii program. Gaming develops computer and visual literacy while encouraging participants to spend time at the library exploring the many resources. For ages 10-18 years old.

March 11, 2009; 4 PM

Internet Safety Program

The Web can be a scary place. Learn how to protect your kids from predators and use the Internet safely. This program will assist parents in protecting themselves and their children online. For adults and children.

March 26, 2009; 4 PM

Dog Safety Program

Learn about dog safety from Nitsa Traylor. She is known as the “Female Dog Whisperer.” Learn how to be safe around your dog and how to make friends with your dog. Free coloring books provided. For ages 2-15.

April 22, 2009; 4 PM

The Big Read

This spring the Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library will be participating in “The Big Read”. The Big Read is a program designed to encourage reading for pleasure and will include several fun and exciting activities throughout the library system. The featured book all of the programs in The Big Read will be built around will be *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury.

As part of The Big Read the Lathrop Branch Library will host a free Mad Scientist program for children on May 7, 2009 at 4pm.

Senior Center Events:

Free Computer Classes for Seniors!

Free computer classes are offered for seniors at the Lathrop Senior Center every Thursday from 1-2pm. The class is by appointment only and is one-on-one with the instructor, so make sure to bring a list of things you would like to learn! Please call the Senior Center at 941-7380 to make your 2009 appointment.

Mother’s Day Luncheon – May 8, 2009

Seniors 50 and over are invited to attend our special Mother’s Day Luncheon which will feature great food and entertainment. The luncheon will be held on Friday, May 8, 2009 at the Lathrop Senior Center at 12 noon.

Day: Friday
Date: May 8th
Time: 12-2PM
Cost: No Fee
Location: Senior Center

Senior Center Parking Lot Sale

April 23, 2009; 8 AM – 2 PM

The Senior Center Spring Parking Lot Sale features crafts, collectables, Bar-B-Que, a Sheriff's Department K-9 Demonstration, variety of entertainment, information booths and much more! Admission is free. If you are interested renting booth space, please contact the Lathrop Senior Center at 941-7380.