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Ventura County Library launches its *Read, Renew, Repeat* summer reading program on May 15, 2024. During the next few months, the library will host a range of free activities for children and teens to encourage and support a love of reading. Participants can win prizes for reaching their reading goals.

"We've planned a wonderful program for children and teens that make the library a great place to read, learn, and discover what's available," said Molly Krill, Youth Services Manager. The benefits of summer reading extend far beyond academic goals. Reading also promotes empathy, critical thinking, and creativity, nurturing essential skills and experiences that will serve our community.

We are excited to host animal presentations by Saving Wildlife International, our featured performer this summer. Saving Wildlife International is committed to wildlife conservation, which ties in with our Summer Reading theme: Read, Renew, Repeat. Throughout the summer, we'll be hosting a variety of events and activities to complement your reading adventures. From STEAM activities and storytimes to craft workshops and book clubs, there's always something happening at the library. Participants may register at vencolibrary.beanstack.org and record their reading with opportunities to win prizes for reaching reading goals. Each branch has a set of 4 Disneyland tickets to give away as a grand prize. Our branches offer additional prizes to hand out throughout the summer to participants who reach various summer reading milestones. Youth may visit their local branch to choose a free new book to add to their personal collection when signing up, a special sustainable prize for completing 500 minutes of reading and another free book for completing 1000 minutes. All branches will celebrate summer reading milestones with an end of summer party featuring Mister Softee.

Research has shown that reading over the summer prevents summer reading loss. "Studies indicate students who read recreationally outperformed those who don't. Students read more when they can choose materials based on their own interests," Molly Krill, Youth Services Manager adds. "Our libraries are committed to supporting lifelong learning and educational enrichment for all families." Registration for Summer Reading continues through August 4th, 2024. To learn more about the summer reading adventure at the library, please call your local branch or view the library's website at vencolibrary.org. This event is free and open to the public. For additional information, contact Molly Krill, Ventura County Library Youth Services Manager at (805) 677-7170.

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