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"YOU BELONG @ YOUR LIBRARY" FOR NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK APRIL 8-14

Whether you are a job seeker looking for resources to land a new job, a parent looking for free activities for children or a student searching for your next favorite book, you belong @ your library.

You can take advantage of the free access to books and computers, homework help, assistance with resumes and job searches, accurate financial information, adult education courses, support for new Americans, CDs, DVDs and much more. Don't forget, your librarian is information smart and can help you find the right answer @ your library.

"The Fresno County Public Library provides a wide range of opportunities for people with diverse needs and interests," says Laurel Prysiazny, Fresno County Librarian. "That means providing our communities in the Fresno/Clovis metro area and in outlying rural areas with tailor-made collections and services for people of diverse backgrounds, language abilities and technological skills. Everyone belongs and is welcome at our libraries."

National Library Week runs from April 8 through April 14. The theme is "You Belong @ Your Library." The Fresno County Public Library will celebrate with free ice cream cones, courtesy of McDonald's, for children and teens to age 18, who sign up for a library card during the week. Children can also pick up a National Library Week Passport at their local branch library, participate in a variety of Library and literacy activities, and earn prizes. Adults can participate in National Library Week through a daily trivia contest to win a five-pound Ghiradelli chocolate bar. Teens and adults can also create videos with a theme of "Why I Belong @ My Library" to be shared on the Library website and YouTube channel.

The national celebration also highlights specific aspects of Library service on designated days:

- April 9 2012 State of America's Libraries Report
- April 10 National Library Workers Day
- April 11 National Bookmobile Day
- April 12 Support Teen Literature Day

For further details about local National Library Week activities, go to <u>www.fresnolibrary.org</u>.

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