



Friends of the Turlock Public Library Newsletter

President's Message

by Carmen Ingols

Here it is May already and my time as President will soon be over. I have truly enjoyed this position. The board has been so easy to work with that it seems everything has been a success.

Behind these successful projects has been a lot of hard work. I want to thank all of you that made it happen.

We are getting monthly updates on the progress of the library project. Attend one of our meetings to hear what is happening. Our meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM at the library.



The library celebrated National Poetry Month with a table of poetry books!

FOTPL Slate of Officers

2019 — 2020

The Friends of the Turlock Public Library nominating committee met and proposed the following people to serve on the Board of Directors from July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020.

Officers

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| President | Pat Portwood |
| Vice-President | Sabra Stafford |
| Treasurer | Carmen Ingols |
| Secretary | Jane Cluff |
| Membership | Diane Gray |
| Public Advocacy | Brooks Judd |

Directors-at-Large

Karen Johnson
Hal Owen
Jackie Oyer
Mary Ward
Hope Werness

Our Board of Directors election will take place at the general meeting on Wednesday, June 5 at 6:30 PM in the Turlock Public Library. Other nominations for the board may be made at this meeting.

Friends of the Turlock Public Library

Our Purpose

To support the Turlock Library by raising supplementary funds, by advocating for adequate public library funding and other concerns at the city, county and state levels and by sponsoring special library programs to benefit the Turlock community.

Information

Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM at the Turlock Library. Meetings are open to all members and the public.

Our newsletter is published quarterly (February, May, August and November).

Our mailing address is FOTPL, P.O. Box 1260, Turlock, CA 95381-1260.

Friends of the Turlock Public Library is a non-profit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization.

Board of Directors

President: Carmen Ingols
Vice President: Pat Portwood
Treasurer: Hal Owen
Secretary: Sabra Stafford
Membership: Lisa Chersonson
Public Advocacy: Linda Davenport

Directors-at-Large

Jane Cluff
Dorothy Finnegan
Diane Gray
Brooks Judd
Jackie Oyer
Michael Seifert
Hope Werness

Newsletter Editor

Phyllis Frasier

Support FOTPL With Your Dues!

Your dues to the Friends of the Turlock Public Library are due July 1st. If you have a lifetime membership, your dues are paid.

In order to pay your membership dues for the Fiscal Year 2019 — 2020, please send your check along with a completed membership form (on page 7 of this newsletter) to:

Friends of the Turlock Public Library
P.O. Box 1260
Turlock, CA 95381-1260

Please be sure to include your email address on the application in order to receive our newsletter. Our newsletter is published in February, May, August and November. Your email address is not shared with others.

Membership checks should be made to Friends of the Turlock Public Library.

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We Need Your Help!

The Friends of the Turlock Library is in need of a location to store the boxes of books we collect every year for our big winter book sale. For many years Hypower on First Street stored them for us in their warehouse. When the business was sold, we lost our space.

A member of the Friends was able to store them on her property in a small barn for the last few years but this property will go on the market on the first of the year. We find ourselves faced with the same dilemma.

We are asking if anyone has or knows of an empty building or garage where we can store the boxes of books at no charge. As a nonprofit we have limited income so would be unable to rent space. Anything the size of a garage or larger in Turlock would be perfect.

You can contact:

Jackie Oyer
crossoyer@aol.com
209-484-4056

Turlock Farmers' Market Returns to Downtown



The Turlock Farmers' Market is returning to East Main Street in downtown Turlock for the 2019 season beginning on May 4. It's the perfect place to spend a beautiful Saturday morning!

Friends of the Turlock Library will have a table at the Farmers' Market on May 4, June 8, July 13, August 10 and September 7. While you're shopping for your fruits, vegetables and other goodies, stop by our table and say hi.

2019 Shining Star Nomination

By Hanna Renning

Since the mid-1990s, the Friends of the Turlock Public Library (FOTPL) book sale has raised thousands of dollars every year for library expenses not covered by the county budget. During the early years this fundraiser was nomadic, moving from one empty storefront to another. When the economy improved, new locations had to be found, first at the Turlock Community Theatre. When that location was no longer offered free of charge, one of our board members found a perfect solution almost fifteen years ago: the social hall at Turlock's First United Methodist Church.

FOTPL would like to nominate the First United Methodist Church of Turlock as the 2019 recipient of the Shining Star Award for its unbelievably generous support of the Stanislaus County Public Library. All these years, they have allowed us to occupy their largest room for several days in January or February, expecting nothing in return except a small payment for utilities and a modest amount for custodial services. We were recently informed that we may again use the church's social hall for our 2020 book sale.

This project has had the support of a series of ministers and other staff, along with the church council and other members of the congregation. They rightly considered the church's contribution a gift to the entire community.



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TURLOCK, CA 95380

Phone (209) 668-3000

April 18, 2019

Dear Friends of the Library,

Please accept our humble thanks for selecting First United Methodist Church as the recipient of the Shining Star Award. We are proud to support the important work of the community by providing space to organizations such as the Friends of the Library to support their endeavors.

Please accept our sincere apologies for not being in attendance today to receive the award in person. Pastor Charles Smith was looking forward to being with you; however, health concerns prevent him from being there today.

It has been our pleasure and our honor to have partnered with you these past years in facilitating your book sale. On behalf of Pastor Charles Smith and our entire congregation, we sincerely thank you for recognizing the church.

We wish the Friends of the Library much continued success.

Blessings,

Susanne Loetz
First United Methodist Church



Looking Forward to 2019 *by Pat Portwood*

A special thank you to all the library volunteers throughout Stanislaus County! During National Library Month, the SLF partners with the county library to sponsor the Shining Star Awards in appreciation of some extraordinary volunteers and supporters of the public libraries.

The Shining Star Awards will take place April 20 at 2 PM at the Salida Regional Library, 4835 Sisk Road, Salida.

Save the Dates

Friday, August 16 is the Annual Party at the Library. This event highlights the foundation activities, the programs we support and is our way of thanking the many supporters for their help and financial donations.

Saturday, September 14 is the Author's Gala. We are very excited to feature "Beneath a Scarlet Sky" with Mike Lella, Pino Lella's son.

*A book is a gift you can
open again and again.
—Garrison Keillor*

From the Librarian's Desk....

by *Diane Bartlett*

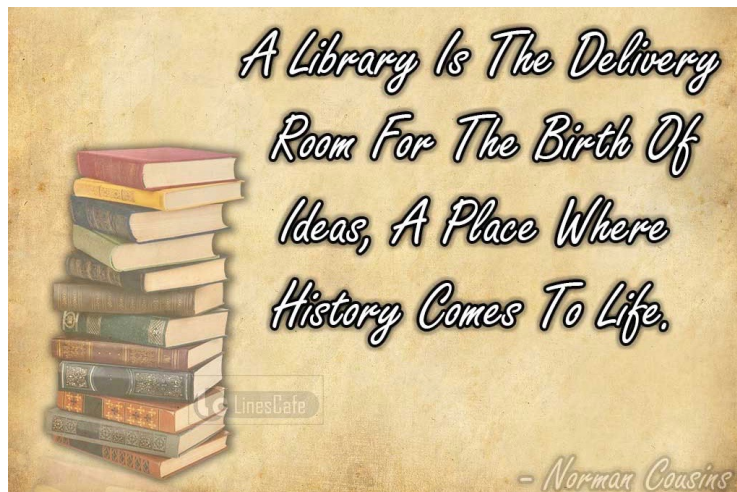
Dear Friends,

It's showtime at your library! Visit any of the thirteen Stanislaus County Libraries beginning May 21 and sign up for our Summer Reading Program for all ages. The program ends August 6. Children can get a prize after every seven days of reading, or older readers can read for seven hours and be entered into drawings for gift card prizes. Adults can enter book reviews to be entered into weekly drawings for prizes. Every reader is eligible for end-of-the-summer grand prize gift cards.

We have several programs planned for the summer which include Stop Motion Animation and Reader's Theater programs for teens and tweens, trivia nights and jewelry crafting programs for adults, escape room events, and our regular Tuesday afternoon programs for children. Find out more at our annual Summer Reading Kickoff on Saturday, May 25 from 10 AM to 12 noon.

Ask about our new and upgraded services. Zip books allows you to request books and audiobooks that are not in our catalog. The item is delivered to your home for a three-week checkout, free of charge, using Amazon Prime. Additionally, while the Cloud Library is not new, we will now have access to the collections from other libraries on the Cloud Library network (CloudLink) beginning April 25. This means that instead of choosing from 5,000 titles, you will be able to choose from 100,000 items to read and listen to.

We hope to see you soon,
Diane



FRIENDS OF THE TURLOCK PUBLIC LIBRARY Membership Application

(Membership year: July 1 through June 30)
(PLEASE PRINT)

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City / ZIP: _____ Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

*(To be used **only** for FOTPL communications.)*

New member

Renewing member

Membership Category

My Interests

- Individual (Annual) \$ 10.00
- Family (Annual) \$ 20.00
- Lifetime \$150.00
- Building Fund
Contribution \$_____

- Becoming a Board Member
- Book Sorting
- Annual Book Sale
- Collectable Books
- Book Store
- Fundraising
- Public Information

TOTAL

- Check \$
- Cash \$

Make check payable to Friends of the Turlock Public Library or FOTPL.

Please mail this form with a check to:

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Thank you for your support!

Summer Reading Kick-off Event
Turlock Library

Saturday, May 25, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Wear your play clothes as we celebrate the start of our all-ages Summer Reading Challenge outside on the lawn with fun and messy activities. All ages welcome; children 6 and younger must have direct adult supervision.

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