

Stanislaus County Library

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February Events at the Turlock Library

The Turlock Library will offer free programs for children, teens and adults this February, beginning the Blind Date with a Book program. Throughout the month of February, readers who would like to try something new can stop by the library to pick up one of the book "blind dates" on display at the library. The books will be wrapped in brown paper so as to obscure the title, however each book will have its genre listed.

On Monday, Feb. 5 at 5:30 p.m. the Modesto Money Mavens will share shopping strategies designed to help save consumers time and money. Participants will learn about smart-phone apps, tips, and tricks that may help save them money. A variety of materials and coupons will be given away during the class.

STEAM* Works: Watercolor Art will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 6 at 4 p.m. (*STEAM: Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) Following a reading of Peter Reynold's *Ish*, children can create artwork using crayons and watercolors.

The Turlock Library Book Club will meet on Wednesday, Feb. 7 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss *The Uncommon Reader* by Alan Bennett. For more information, please contact the Turlock Library Reference Desk at 209-664-8100.

Free Computer Basics classes will be offered on Thursdays at 3 p.m. Participants will be introduced to the parts of a computer, receive a tour of Windows, and learn simple tasks. Advance registration is required; please call 209-664-8100 to sign up.

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The Mystery Lovers Book Club will meet on Friday, Feb. 9 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss *One for the Money* by Janet Evanovich. A limited number of copies are available for checkout from the library. For more information, please contact the Turlock Library Reference Desk at 209-664-8100.

Tech Connect: eResources will be offered on Monday, Feb. 12 at 12 p.m. Community members will have an opportunity to learn about the library's free apps, including Cloud Library for eBooks, RBdigital for eMagazines, Hoopla for digital audiobooks, movies, music, and more and Mango Languages, an online language learning program. Library staff will help participants download and get started using these eResources.

"Tax Basics" will be offered on Monday, Feb. 12 at 6 p.m. A representative from H&R Block will discuss the PATH Act, tax form changes, and more. Participants will have an opportunity to have their tax questions answered before filing 2017 taxes. This program is sponsored by H&R Block.

Children can prepare for Valentine's Day with a craft on Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 4 p.m. Each crafter will have an opportunity to make a unique card to give to someone special on Valentine's Day. This craft is sponsored by the Friends of the Turlock Library.

The Turlock Library's Teen Advisory Board will meet on Wednesday, Feb. 14 at 4 p.m. The Teen Advisory Board offers teens the opportunity to earn community service credit while sharing their ideas on teen library programs and books. For more information, please call 209-664-8100.

Great Valley Museum will present the "Magical Magnets" program on Tuesday, Feb. 20 at 4 p.m. Children learn about magnetic properties through hands-on experiments. This program is designed for children in kindergarten and older, however all ages are welcome.

Teens and tweens ages 11 to 18 can learn basic crochet on Wednesday, Feb. 21 at 4 p.m. Participants will learn how to make a slouchy beanie. All materials will be provided. Advance registration is required. Please call 209-664-8100 to sign up.

Children are invited to build and play with LEGO[®] and LEGO[®] DUPLO[®] blocks on Tuesday, Feb. 27 at 4 p.m. Ages 4 and under are welcome to participate, however, they must have direct parental supervision.

The Turlock Library is located at 550 Minaret Ave. For more information on Turlock Library programs, please contact the Turlock Library supervisor, Diane Bartlett, at 209-664-8100.