

STANISLAUS COUNTY LIBRARY

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July Events at the Turlock Library

Community members are invited to take part in a number of free programs at the Turlock Library this July, beginning with Turlock Teens Talk Books on Saturday, July 2 at 3 p.m. This program provides teens with the opportunity to discuss their favorite books and find new book recommendations.

The library's weekly Creative Writing Club for teens will be held on Mondays at 11 a.m. Teens ages 13 to 18 will have the opportunity to write fiction, poetry, and more in a creatively safe environment. Teens will explore different types of literature, while collaborating with peers who share a similar passion for writing.

STEAM* Works: Tangrams will be held on Tuesday, July 5 at 4 p.m. Following a reading of *Round is a Tortilla: A Book of Shapes* by Roseanne Greenfield Thong, children will explore different shapes and play with tangrams, recreating designs and patterns on preprinted paper. STEAM* Works is designed for children in kindergarten and older; children 4 and under must have direct parental supervision.

The Turlock Library Book Club will meet on Wednesday, July 6 at 10:30 a.m. Participants will discuss Leaving Family Behind by Jerome Peterson. For more information, please contact the Turlock Library Reference Desk at (209) 664-8100.

Ages 8 and up can visit the library to make personalized buttons on Wednesday, July 6 at 4 p.m. Crafters can bring in pictures, draw their own design, or use the library's pre-printed images to make their buttons.

A Teddy Bear Sleepover will be held on Monday, July 11 at 4 p.m. Children are invited to bring their teddy bears to the library for a story, after which the teddy bears are invited to spend the night at the library. Teddy Bears will be ready to be picked up the following morning.

Community members are invited to participate in the Sherlock Holmes Book Discussion Challenge on Monday, July 11, 18 and 25 at 6:30 p.m. Participants will discuss three of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's short stories. On July 11, the group will discuss "The Adventure of the Blue Carbuncle," and on July 18 "The Red-Headed League" will be discussed. The final discussion on July 25 will focus on "The Adventure of the Speckled Band." This program is recommended for ages 18 and older. Advance registration is required. Please call Diane at (209) 664-8100 for more information and to learn how to acquire a copy of the stories.

Children can explore color and create art with a Golf Ball Painting craft on Tuesday, July 12 at 4 p.m. Children will use golf balls as paintbrushes. Participants under the age of 4 must have direct parental supervision.

Magic Dan will perform two free shows at the library on Wednesday, July 13 at 3 and 4 p.m. Children and their families are invited to enjoy this free magic show.

The Turlock Library's Teen Advisory Board will meet on Wednesday, July 13 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.

Children and families can visit the Turlock Library on Thursday, July 14 at 10 a.m. for a special appearance by the Turlock Police Department. A Lieutenant from the Turlock Police Department will read a story and talk to children and their families about safety. The Turlock Police K-9 unit will also be on hand to introduce their newest member of the police family. A regular Preschool Story Time will be held inside the library at 11 a.m. All ages are welcome, however children under the age of 4 must have direct parental supervision.

All ages are invited to a Harry Potter Party on Tuesday, July 19 at 4 p.m. Harry Potter crafts and games will be available. Children under the age of 4 must have direct parental supervision.

Teens can make marble magnets on Wednesday, July 20 at 4 p.m. Stickers and LEGO images will be available for use in designing the magnets. This program is recommended for ages 8 and up.

Children are invited to build and play with LEGOs on Tuesday, July 26 at 4 p.m. Children under the age of 4 are welcome to participate, however, they must have direct parental supervision.

The library will offer a Paper Airplane Craft on Wednesday, July 27 at 4 p.m. Participants can test their paper airplane making skills. Books on paper airplanes will be on display and available for use during the program.

The Creative Writing Club for Teens, Golf Ball Painting, the Harry Potter Party, and LEGO Day are sponsored by the Friends of the Turlock Library. The Turlock Library is located at 550 Minaret Ave. in Turlock. For more information on Turlock Library programs, please contact the Turlock Library Branch Supervisor, Diane Bartlett, at (209) 664-8100.