

## Stanislaus County Library

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## **July Events at the Turlock Library**

Community members of all ages are invited to take advantage of free events at the Turlock Library this July, beginning with "Where in Turlock?" Throughout the month, five images will be displayed at the library, and participants will have a chance to guess where in Turlock the images were taken. All participants will receive a Hershey's Kiss for playing, and be entered into a drawing for a grand prize.

"STEAM\* Works: Ice Cream" will take place on Tuesday, July 3 at 4 p.m. (\*STEAM: Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) Following a reading of Peter Sis' *Ice Cream Summer*, children will have an opportunity to make vanilla ice cream, while supplies last.

Wiggle Worms will be held every Wednesday at 10 and 11 a.m. Wiggle Worms is a special Story Time program designed for babies, active toddlers, and adult caregivers, however all ages are welcome to attend. Wiggle Worms participants can enjoy stories, lap bounces, music, dancing, rhythm activities, fingerplays and more.

Preschool Story Time will be held on Thursdays at 10 and 11 a.m. Story Times feature new and classic picture books, flannel board and puppet stories, fingerplays, music and dancing, for preschoolers ages 3 to 5 and their caregivers, however all ages are welcome.

The Turlock Teens Talk Books program will be held on Saturday, July 7 at 3 p.m. This program provides teens with the opportunity to discuss their favorite books and find new book recommendations.

Children are invited to make and play with slime on Tuesday, July 10 at 4 p.m. Slime is messy, so participants are encouraged to dress accordingly. All ages are welcome, however children 4 and under must have direct parental supervision.

The Turlock Library Book Club will meet on Wednesday, July 11 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss *The Red Tent* by Anita Diamant. For more information, please contact the Turlock Library Reference Desk at 209-664-8100.

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The Turlock Library's Teen Advisory Board will meet on Wednesday, July 11 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 can continue to enjoy crafts on Wednesdays at 4 p.m. this July, beginning with a Scottish themed craft on July 11. Crafters will make an orange, hairy highland cow as seen in Scotland. On July 18 participants can upcycle materials to make under the sea themed crafts. Children can create shiny fish or turtles to hang in their rooms. On July 25 crafters can build flying saucers and test them out. These crafts are recommended for ages 8 and up, and are sponsored by the Friends of the Turlock Library.

Community members are invited to a free "Caregiver College" program on Thursday, July 12 at 12 p.m. This program will offer practical information designed to help participants become better caregivers, and prepare for the future. This month's topic is "Dealing with Aging and Loss." A free lunch will be provided. Advance registration is required; please call 209-578-6300 to sign up.

The Mystery Lovers Book Club will meet on Friday, July 13 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss *Until Proven Guilty* by J.A. Jance. A limited number of copies are available for checkout from the library.

Families can enjoy a free performance by ventriloquist Tony Borders on Saturday, July 14 at 11 a.m. This imaginative show will feature a talkative map, animals from around the world, music and more. This program is sponsored by the Stanislaus Library Foundation.

Teens and adults can take part in the library's "Where in the World?" trivia night on Monday, July 16 at 6 p.m. Participants can compete for prizes as a team, or individually. The trivia questions will focus on trivia of the world, the United States, and Turlock. Each team may have between one and four players, with at least one player over the age of 15. All teams must have a smart phone or tablet capable of downloading the free Kahoot! app.

This month's Art Lab program will be held on Tuesday, July 17 at 4 p.m. Children will create art inspired by the artwork of Jackson Pollock using string and tempura paints.

Children are invited to build and play with LEGO<sup>®</sup> and LEGO<sup>®</sup> DUPLO<sup>®</sup> blocks on Tuesday, July 24 at 4 p.m. Ages 4 and under are welcome to participate, however, they must have direct parental supervision.

The library will host a *Harry Potter* party on Tuesday, July 31 at 4 p.m. Children will have an opportunity to take Hogwarts courses on potions, transfigurations, and more. Children 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.