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July Events at the Turlock Library

Community members can enjoy free crafts and activities at the Turlock Library this month, beginning with a meeting of the Turlock Library Book Club on Wednesday, July 1 at 10:30 a.m. Participants will discuss *Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress* by Dai Sijie. A limited number of copies are available for checkout at the library. Please contact the Turlock Library Reference Desk at (209) 664-8100 for more information.

A Perler Bead craft for teens and tweens will be held on July 1 at 4 p.m. Participants will use colorful beads that fuse together when heated to create unique designs.

The library will celebrate shark week with the "Ocean in a Bottle" craft on July 7 at 4 p.m. Recycled bottles will be used to create miniature "oceans" that crafters may take home.

In celebration of this year's Summer Reading theme "Every Hero has a Story," children and their families are invited to learn about the many types of real life heroes. After a reading of *Hero Cat* by Eileen Spinelli on July 14 at 4 p.m., children can make a cat related craft. On July 21 at 4 p.m. participants will learn about the life of Rachel Carson, John Muir, and other environmental heroes, followed by a bird feeder craft.

Children, tweens and teens will have two opportunities to craft with marshmallows this month. Participants can learn basic engineering concepts by building towers out of marshmallows and uncooked spaghetti on July 15 at 4 p.m. On July 29 at 4 p.m. crafters can make marshmallow shooters out of recycled plastic cups and balloons.

The "As Seen on Pinterest" craft program will be held on Wednesday, July 15 at 7 p.m. This month's craft will focus on the art of glass etching. This program is recommended for ages 14 and older. Registration is required; please call the Turlock Library at (209) 664-8100 to register.

Tweens and teens can use their creativity to make a number of crafts out of duct tape on July 22 at 4 p.m. The library will provide a selection of colorful duct tape for participants to use in creating their crafts.

All ages may build LEGO displays for the library on Tuesday, July 28 at 4 p.m. LEGO play helps children learn basic mathematic and engineering skills in a fun, hands-on environment. Children under the age of 4 are welcome to participate, however they must have direct parental supervision.

These programs are sponsored by the Friends of the Turlock Library. The Turlock Library is located at 550 Minaret Ave. in Turlock. For more information, please contact the Turlock Library at (209) 664-8100.

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