

## Stanislaus County Library

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## June Events at the Turlock Library

Children, teens and adults can take part in a variety of free programs at the Turlock Library this June.

Throughout the month, all ages can visit the library to play "Where in Turlock?" Five images will be displayed, 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.

Community members are invited to learn about the library's free eResources during the Tech Connect program on Monday, June 4 from 12 to 2 p.m. Staff will help participants download and get started with the library's free apps, including Cloud Library for eBooks, RBdigital for eMagazines, Hoopla for digital audiobooks, movies, music, and more, as well as Mango Languages, an online language learning program.

STEAM\* Works: *Three Billy Goats Gruff* will take place on Tuesday, June 5 at 4 p.m. (\*STEAM: Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) Following a reading of *Three Billy Goats Gruff*, children will have an opportunity to test their bridge building skills.

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 Library Book Club will meet on Wednesday, June 6 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss *The Light Between Oceans* by M.L. Stedman. For more information, please contact the Turlock Library Reference Desk at 209-664-8100.

Children can explore the world through a variety of crafts on Wednesdays at 4 p.m. this June, beginning with the Aboriginal Art program on June 6. Crafters will have an opportunity to tell their stories

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through colors and symbols, using rocks and paint. On June 13 participants can make Vietnamese paper lanterns inspired by the Vietnamese Moon Festival. On June 20 crafters will use upcycled materials to create rain sticks, such as those popular in African and Central American cultures. Children can craft traditional Swedish Dala horses from paper on June 27. These crafts are recommended for ages 8 and up, and are sponsored by the Friends of the Turlock Library.

The Friends of the Turlock Library will meet Wednesday, June 6 at 6:30 p.m. at the Turlock Library. The public is invited to attend this meeting of library supporters.

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.

The Mystery Lovers Book Club will meet on Friday, June 8 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss *Indemnity Only* by Sara Paretsky. A limited number of copies are available for checkout from the library.

On June 8 at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m., ages 8 to 12 are invited to participate in an escape room event based on the book *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library* by Chris Grabenstein. Participants will search the children's room of the library to decipher codes and solve puzzles in order to find the key to "escape" back to the library. Advance registration is required for all sessions; please call 209-664-8100 to sign up. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Turlock Library.

Children are invited to make tile art on Tuesday, June 12 at 4 p.m. The library will provide alcohol ink and ceramic tile for crafters to use to create unique works of art. All ages are welcome, however children 6 and under must have direct parental supervision.

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

Families can enjoy a free magic show featuring illusionist Timothy James on Saturday, June 16 at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. James' show blends magic and comedy together to create an upbeat experience.

Ages 18 and up are invited to a craft program on Monday, June 18 at 1 p.m. Participants will learn how to make colorful coasters.

"Art Lab" is the Turlock Library's new monthly art program. The first program will be offered on Tuesday, June 19 at 4 p.m. This month's art project is torn paper landscapes. Children will create landscapes of their choosing using different colored pieces of torn construction paper.

A special Family Story Time will be offered on Tuesday, June 25 at 6:30 p.m. Special guest, Turlock Mayor Gary Soiseth, will help lead this Story Time featuring stories, music, and fingerplays. This program is ideal for 4- to 8-year-olds, however all ages are welcome.

Children are invited to build and play with LEGO<sup>®</sup> and LEGO<sup>®</sup> DUPLO<sup>®</sup> blocks on Tuesday, June 26 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.