

President's Message By Jeanne Endsley

Welcome to fall and the beginning of the holiday season. As we are all getting busier this time of year, remember that our local library is also busier with programs and increased visits by community members. Don't forget to check out the Christmas books to enjoy with your family or holiday-themed fiction or nonfiction for your reading pleasure. In addition, the library carries a large DVD selection that you can check out with your library card.

As president of the Board of the Friends of the Turlock Public Library, let me speak for myself and the board by mentioning that we are ever so thankful for you, our members. It is with your financial and volunteer help that we all benefit the Turlock Library in many ways. Watch for a report in our next issue about contributions we have made this past year.

Mark your calendar for the annual book sale. If you have never attended, I highly recommend that you stop by and check out the books for sale.

Have a safe and wonderful holiday season.

# Friends of the Turlock Public

Library Newsletter

Winter Book Sale Coming Soon!

By Hanna Renning

We have been fortunate to receive thousands of donated books again this year. The Turlock Library staff have taken what the library can use. Our FOTPL bookstores have chosen their share. Now we're ready to sell about 10,000 books remaining, and we hope that you're ready to buy!

If you have books to donate, please try to get them to the Turlock Library soon. For large quantities, please call the library at 664-8100 to get the FOTPL contact number. The final pre-sale sorting will take place in December.

Please mark these book sale dates on your 2014 calendars:

Members' Night: Thursday, January 30, 4 pm to 8 pm

#### Public Sale: Friday, January 31, 9 am to 7 pm and Saturday, February 1, 9 am to 5 pm

If you would like to help with the book sale, please call Hanna Renning at 632-4692.

## DID YOU KNOW THAT OUR BOOK SALE IS LISTED on BOOKSALEFINDER.COM?

Check out the Book Bin and the Friends' Store for holiday books at bargain prices!

## **Read with a Dog**

Arby Hoobyar took this picture of his daughter, Nina Hoobyar, reading with a dog during the October 12th program at the Turlock Library.

The "Read with a Dog" program is only one of the many that the Friends support.

For more information on the "Read with a Dog" program, contact the library.



## The FOTPL Newsletter Is Going Electronic!

Please make sure we have your email address so you will continue to receive our newsletter. The newsletter is also a v a i l a b l e o n l i n e a t www.stanislauslibrary.org.

We are excited to be able to provide more pictures, graphics and important information about the Friends and our library!

If you'd like to view this issue in color, please visit the Turlock **Friends** link on the Stanislaus County website given above.

## Needed!!

#### Volunteers to Help Keep The Friends' Bookstore Open

One of our fundraisers is operating a used book store within the Turlock Library. To do this we need volunteers to operate the store for two-hour shifts. The work is easy — just wait on customers when they come in and help them as needed. If you like to read, knit, etc., this is a great volunteer job for you.

If you are interested in helping out, please contact us at <u>friendsotpl@gmail.com</u>.



#### **Day of Play** By Kelly Ferrini, Children's Librarian, Turlock Library Photos by Phyllis Frasier

Our Summer 2013 Day of Play was a huge success! We had many different outdoor stations, including a parachute game, a soccer obstacle course, ring tosses, badminton, and sidewalk chalk art, as well as games and coloring sheets indoors. We had a great turnout as well, with a total of 75 attendees.

It's been busy in the children's area of the Turlock Library! Last week we held our second Lego Day and, as before, were thrilled to host more than 60 kids and their parents as the kids sat on the floor and let their creativity run wild. We have Lego Days scheduled for November 25, January 27 and February 24, all from 4 to 5 pm. The ensuing creations are on display in the children's area for about two weeks after each program, so stop by and take a look.

Thanks again to the Friends for their kind donation of \$1,000 for new children's DVD's. The new titles have



started arriving, and the children have been quite excited to see new titles such as the "Backyardigans," "Dora the Explorer," "Thomas the Tank Engine," "Eyewitness: Science" and others appear on the shelves. We greatly appreciate the support that the Friends of the Turlock Public Library are able to give the library and the community as a whole!





#### Welcome to Children's Day at the Farmers' Market! **By Pat Portwood**

August 2 was a bright, beautiful day at the Turlock Farmers' Market. The Turlock Children's Librarian, Kelly Ferrini, was there to offer books and bubbles!

Approximately 75 children of all ages sat on quilts, looked at colorful, interesting books and heard fabulous tales. Kelly kept them entertained and the FOTPL handed out information about the library's programs for children which happen every Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Friends of the Turlock Public Llbrary also sold children's books, which is a great, inexpensive way to build a family library. Literacy and love of reading starts at home and is strongly supported by your public library. Thank you,

Kelly, for sharing your love of reading with all these children. We hope to continue these special days during next year's Farmers' Market.

#### Turlock Journal's Readers' Corner By Sabra Stafford, Turlock Journal

The Turlock Journal is launching a new feature and hopes the members of the Friends of the Turlock Public Library will join in on the new endeavor.

It's called "Reader's Corner," and it will feature a weekly book review written by members of the community. We want to let our readers share their enthusiasm over a great book, or conversely, warn others away from a real stinker.

The type of book is up to the reviewer. It can be of any genre, fiction or non-fiction, new or old. It can also be a self-published work, but the review cannot be from the author.

Reviews should include a brief plot synopsis but refrain from any spoilers. Each review should be no longer than four hundred words and should include the title and author's name. It also must include the reviewer's first and last name and city of residence.

The reviews may be edited for space and grammar. We hope to run at least one review each Friday in the Arts and Leisure section.

Reviews can be emailed to Sabra Stafford at sstafford@turlockjournal.com. For more information call 634-9141 ext. 2002.

Kelly Ferrini reading to children during Children's Day. Photo by Gity Miller.





## **Book Sorting**

Photos by Gity Miller

Interested in helping prepare for our Annual Book Sale? Sorting books will be taking place in December. Come help us out with these preparations.

For more information on book sorting as well as dates and times, please contact Sandy Mann at 209-634-8213.





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"Libraries have always been my favorite places for quiet time, for study, for writing and reflection. I can't imagine a world without libraries: that would be a sad and dreary world, one without creativity or imagination."

> Laura Valeri Author

Thank you for your support!

### FRIENDS OF THE TURLOCK PUBLIC LIBRARY

Membership Application

(Membership year: July 1 through June 30) (PLEASE PRINT)

(To be used **only** for FOTPL communications)

Name(s):	
Address:	
City / ZIP:	Telephone:
E-mail:	

□ New member

#### □ Renewing member

Membership Category		My Interests
🗆 Individual (Annual)	\$10	Becoming a Board Member
□ Family (Annual)	\$20	□ Book Sorting
Lifetime	\$150	Annual Book Sale
□ Additional Contribution	\$	□ Book Store
TOTAL	\$	□ Fundraising
Check	\$	Collectable Books
□ Cash	\$	Public Information

Make check payable to Friends of the Turlock Public Library or FOTPL.

Please mail this form with a check to:

Friends of the Turlock Public Library P.O. Box 1260 Turlock, CA 95381-1260

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#### Friends of the Turlock Public Library

#### **Our Purpose:**

To support the Turlock Library by raising supplementary funds, advocating for adequate public library funding and other concerns at the city, county and state level, and by sponsoring special library programs which benefit the Turlock community.

#### **Meeting Information:**

The first Wednesday of each month, 7 pm at the Turlock Library.

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Contact Information: Email: friendsotpl@gmail.com Reading is a pleasure of the mind, which means that it is a little like a sport: your eagerness and knowledge and quickness count for something. The fun of reading is not that something is told to you, but that you stretch your mind. Your own imagination works along with the author's, or even goes beyond his, yields the same or different conclusions, and your ideas develop as you understand his.

Bennett Cerf (1898-1971) Publisher and Co-Founder of Random House

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