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**First chapter of Stanislaus County's first community novel to be published Tuesday, April 15**

The inaugural chapter of Stanislaus County's community novel, *Ashes in a Teardrop*, will be published online on Tuesday, April 15. Fifteen local authors have collaborated on this project, mapping out the storyline and contributing a chapter each toward the novel's plot. The novel begins when a young couple stumbles across an abandoned teardrop trailer during a weekend bike ride along the Tuolumne River. What follows is a suspenseful mystery set against the familiar landscape of Stanislaus County. A new chapter will be published online every Tuesday at [www.stanislauslibrary.org](http://www.stanislauslibrary.org).

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