



Friends of the Turlock Public Library Newsletter

President's Message

by Pat Portwood

The annual Friends of the Library Week was October 17th - 23rd. However, I think the appreciation is appropriate for everyday, not just a certain week. It is a chance to say "thank you" and to show our appreciation for all the support from our incredible members. Did you know that our Friends group was established in 1994 by true pioneers who saw the need? Pioneers such as Gertrude Plotkin and Virginia Andleman. If these two could only see the fruits of their labors!

If you haven't visited the library, please take some time and come by. There is much to discover and appreciate. Attendance has definitely increased, especially on Saturdays.

Did you know we were honored with a visit from the California State Librarian, Greg Lucas who was given a tour by the board members? He was very impressed and commented about the enormous support from the Turlock community and Friends.

Have you visited the Friends' Bookstore? This is the perfect time to purchase books as the holidays approach. The store has so much variety to offer.



Library Presents! This is a special donation we received from Priscilla Peters and John Miles to be used for obtaining speakers such as authors and programs for the library. What an amazing "present". We have formed a Program Committee to identify and schedule programs for 2022. If you are interested in joining and/or have some ideas for local authors or programs that would appeal to children, teens or adults, please contact patportwood@gmail.com.

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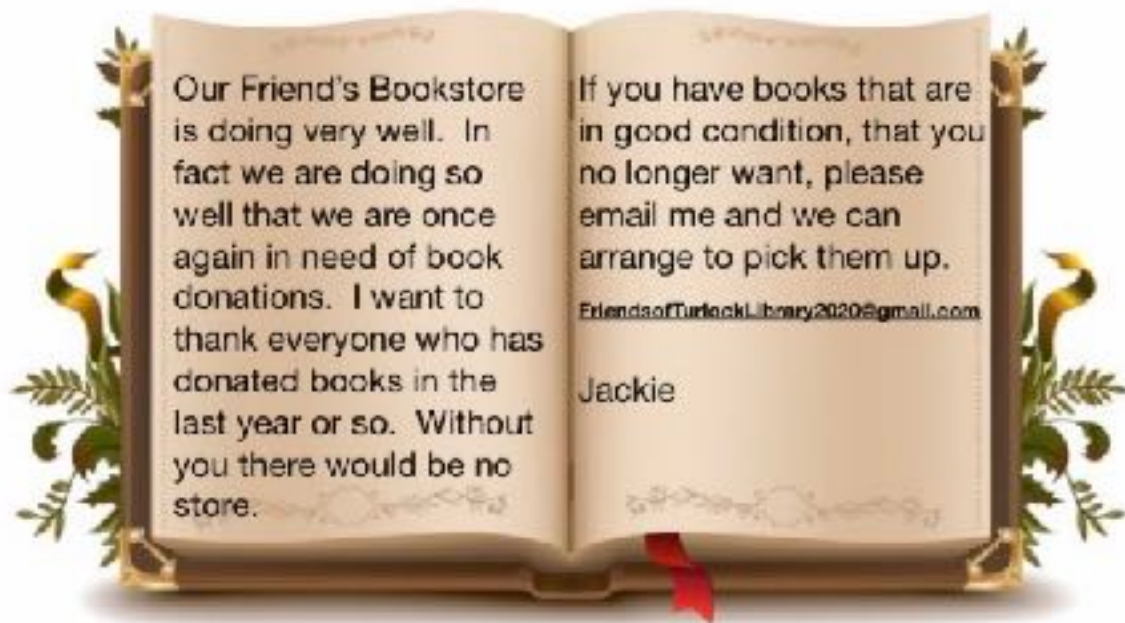
The Board approved requests for some specific items in the Children's Library as well as for Makerspace. Soon the crafts and sewing folks will be able to use the equipment and classes will be offered. Funds raised during the campaign will be used.

Speaking of funds, it is important for you as members to always know how the monies are being spent as well as how we are planning for the future sustainability of the library and its needs. Another committee is meeting with financial advisors to determine an appropriate financial plan for the future. Again, if you are interested in joining us, please contact patportwood@gmail.com.

Soon, it will be Thanksgiving, my favorite time of year. Enjoy your friends and family.

"The thankful heart opens our eyes to a multitude of blessings that continually surround us."

James Faust



From the Librarian's Desk

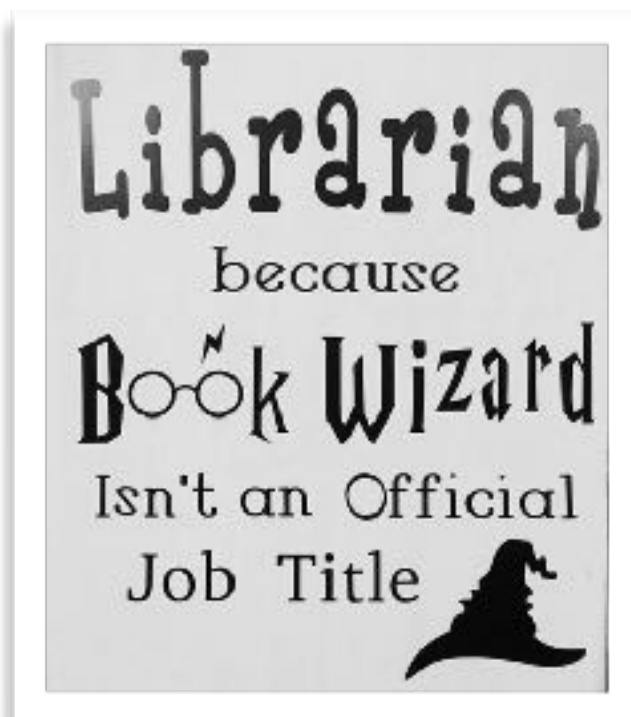
by Karina Mendoza

Hello Friends!

I feel like I should introduce myself. I'm Karina Mendoza and I'm your new librarian. I grew up just down the road in Denair. For the past fifteen years I have worked for Stanislaus County Library supervising Keyes, Denair and most recently the Oakdale library. I may look familiar to some as I used to work Monday nights here at Turlock library for several years. I am very excited to be back.

For the past few months the Turlock staff and I unloaded and shelved over 60,000 books and movies in preparation for our opening day. Opening day was a day I will never forget. I lost track of the times I heard "wow" as people came through the doors. Hearing the pure joy coming from Children's Room was amazing. We have had students studying hard in our quiet reading room. Teens have been so excited to see their new space. I had one shy teen whose mom came over to ask about a book for her daughter. I walked the mom and daughter over to teen room where I found the book. I realized the daughter was still in the entrance of the teen room looking around. She looked at me and said "wait, we have our own room?" She left with a stack books almost as tall as her.

I would like to thank each and every one of you who made it possible to make the Turlock library go from amazing to extraordinary. We could not have done it without our friends.



Gallery Finesse's Book Bin

by Mary Ward

Looking for a unique gift for a loved one? Or to add to your own book collection? Maybe you just want something new to read? Visit The Friends of the Turlock Public Library Book Bin for a diverse variety of collectible fiction and nonfiction titles, music, history, biography, art books and more.

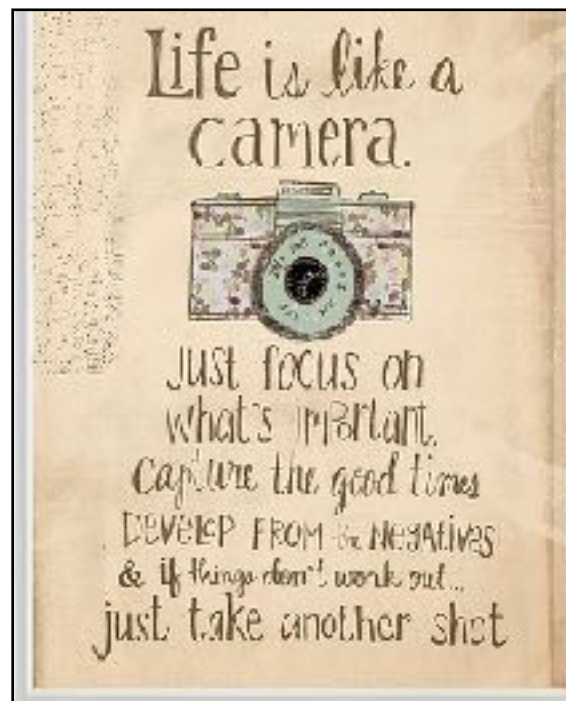


The Book Bin specializes in collectible books not carried in the Friend's Bookstore. At the moment, the collectible books at the Book Bin include:

Plutarch Lives - 2 volume set \$12
The Bobbsey Twins at the Circus - \$4
The Bobbsey Twins at the Seashore - \$3
New Masters Pictorial Encyclopedia Set of 8 - \$12
McGuffey Readers Set of 7 \$30



The Book Bin is located inside Gallery Finesse at 128 N. Center Street, Turlock. The Book Bin/Gallery Finesse hours are Tuesday thru Saturday 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM.



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 levels and by sponsoring special library programs to benefit the Turlock community.

Information

Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM at the Turlock Library. Meetings are open to all members and the public.

Our newsletter is published quarterly (February, May, August and November).

Our mailing address is FOTPL, P.O. Box 1260, Turlock, CA 95381-1260.

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book tasting menu

Genre
What Kind of Book is It?

ADVENTURE
Exciting stories about exploration, sports, and heroism. **Free**

BIOGRAPHY
The lives of famous people. **Free**

FABLE
Short stories about animals who talk and do things people can't do. **Free**

HISTORICAL
Stories about the past. **Free**

HORROR
Stories about scary things. **Free**

HUMOROUS
Stories that make you laugh. **Free**

MAGIC
Stories about magical powers. **Free**

MYSTERY
Stories about solving crimes. **Free**

REALISTIC
Stories about everyday life. **Free**

SPY
Stories about secret agents. **Free**

TALE TALES
Stories about famous people. **Free**

NON-FICTION
Stories about real life. **Free**

IF YOU LIKE NARNIA
The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe

LAUREL HALL ANDERSON
The Girl on the Train

HISTORICAL
After being sold to a rival couple in New York City, a slave named Isabel spies for the rebels during the Revolutionary War.

Try It! You might like it!

Just as in a sample bite of food, you can't read the whole book, just a little bit of it.

FINDING A GOOD FIT BOOK

1. Choose a book.
2. Ask: How do you think of the cover?
3. Read the description on the back and the back of the book, or the back cover.
4. Think: How might you feel about it?
5. Think: How do you think you will like it?

If you've found a book you think you will enjoy reading, you are welcome to check it out and take it with you.

Stanislaus County Libraries Holiday Schedule



All Stanislaus County libraries will be closed on the following days for the Holiday Season:

<i>Thanksgiving Day</i>	<i>Thursday, November 25</i>
<i>Day after Thanksgiving</i>	<i>Friday, November 26</i>
<i>Christmas Eve</i>	<i>Friday, December 24</i>
<i>Christmas Day</i>	<i>Saturday, December 25</i>
<i>New Year's Eve</i>	<i>Friday, December 31</i>
<i>New Year's Day</i>	<i>Saturday, January 1</i>

Best wishes for a safe and happy holiday season!

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