



# Friends of the Turlock Public Library Newsletter

## President's Message

*by Carmen Ingols*

This year has been a great year. A new library is coming. Our book sale and our fashion show and tea were successful. Measure S passed. The members of the board and many volunteers have made it happen. I thank each and every one of you.

I am proud to announce that one of our volunteers has received the Shining Star Award. This is given by the Library Foundation for giving above and beyond the normal. Jackie Oyer, our past president, has certainly done that. She started the move for a new library, became coordinator for Turlock for Measure S and the book sale and a co-chairman for the fashion show and tea. Along with that she manages the Friends' Book Store. Congratulations, Jackie!

Elections for the 2018 — 2019 officers will be held at our June 6th board meeting. A slate of officers is on page two of this newsletter. Nominations may also be made during the meeting.

## Oyer Nominated for Shining Star Award

Jackie Oyer joined the Friends of the Turlock Public Library in 2011. She was secretary, vice-president and president for two years each.

Jackie was co-coordinator for the Turlock area Measure T campaign and coordinator for Measure S last year. She organized and staffed Work a Poll with the money going to the Friends.

As manager of the Friends' Book Store Jackie is responsible for staffing, stocking and banking. Jackie has worked the table at the Farmers' Market and events at the Carnegie Art Center as well as other FOTPL fundraisers. For the second year Jackie has been involved with dd's Discount Store in Turlock to provide more than \$3,000 worth of books for the library and area youth through the Youth Literacy Project.

When the long time chairperson for our annual book sale retired, Jackie stepped in to fill the void. This is a two-and-a-half-day event involving several committees and many volunteers. From getting out yard signs to clean-up, Jackie was there. Result: the best book sale event. Two weeks later Jackie agreed to co-chair our other fundraiser, the fashion show and tea.

Jackie recently implemented a program honoring the employees at the Turlock Library.

Jackie is totally committed, and we are very fortunate to have her as one of our members. We are pleased to nominate her for the 2018 Shining Star.

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Turlock Public Library**

**Our Purpose**

To support the Turlock Library by raising supplementary funds, by 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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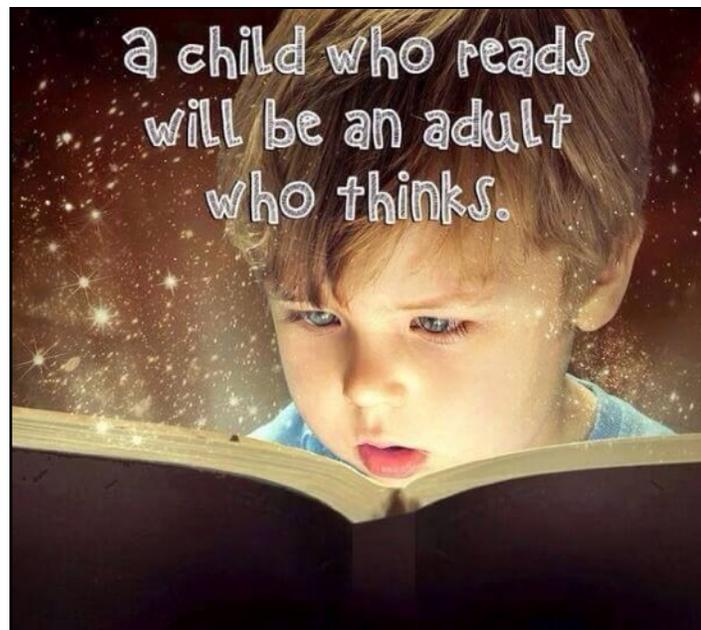
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## 2018 Report

*by Pat Portwood*

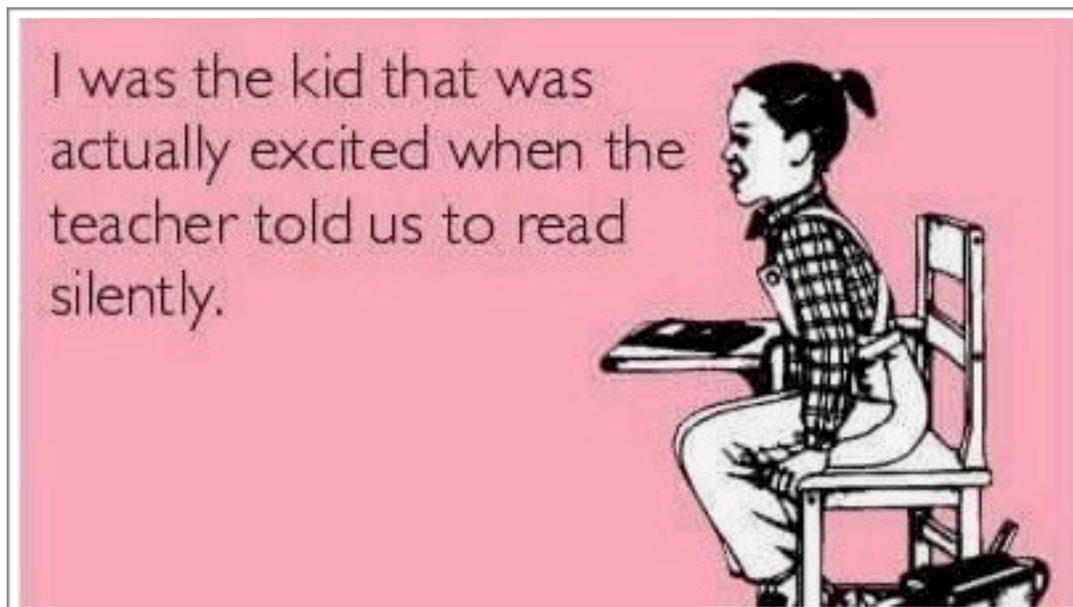
The Shining Star Award was established in 2004 to honor an individual, business, organization or Friends of the Library members for their support of the library. This year, Jackie Oyer, from the Friends of the Turlock Public Library, will be honored on April 28 at the Salida Library at 2 PM.

Jackie was nominated (see nomination letter on page one) for her leadership role with Measure S, serving as the community coordinator for Turlock. Bravo! All Friends' volunteers are invited to this appreciation presentation.

### Save the Dates

August 24th — Party at the Library

September 22 — Author's Gala



## Turlock Library Celebrations

*by Jackie Oyer*

### March • Diane Bartlett

Diane was born and raised in the East Bay (Castro Valley/San Leandro); however, she visited the Turlock area many times in the 60s to visit her maternal aunt and uncle. Her mother's distant relatives also lived in the area, and one of them, according to *Tinkham's History of Stanislaus County*, was the "custodian of the books in the Tegner library." It always seemed appropriate that she should be working at the local public library.

After attending parochial schools in San Leandro and Hayward, she received her BA degree in liberal studies from California State University, Hayward (now California State University East Bay) in 1981, and her Master's in Library and Information Science from San Jose State University in 1986. She became a librarian because of love of a good story and the search for answers to informational questions. While earning her Master's, Diane found her niche in Children's Services. She came to Stanislaus County Library in 1995 as a Children's Librarian at the Modesto Library. During the more than twenty years with Stanislaus County, she has had the opportunity to be promoted to Regional Supervising Librarian. This is her second time being assigned to Turlock, making this her ninth year at the branch.



As a Supervising Librarian, Diane is responsible for the day to day operation of the Turlock branch. She helps with opening procedures and work at the public desk, but the majority of her day is spent working on collection development (selecting and deselecting books), planning programs, scheduling, training and evaluating staff, working on the budget, and responding to emergencies. Diane participates in outreach opportunities such as staffing informational booths and speaking to community groups. She is the Young Adult Materials Selector for all thirteen library branches in Stanislaus County, and she leads the Teen Book Club and Teen Advisory Board meetings. She is also the chair of the library's Adult Program Committee.

She and her husband, David, live in Modesto and just celebrated their thirty-sixth wedding anniversary. They have two daughters: Linnea and Anne. During her free time, she likes to listen to audio books, play online games, walk, cook, watch mystery and detective programs, work on puzzles and spend time with her family, which includes Maple the cat.

### April • Kim Arreola

Kim was born in Karlsruhe, Germany. When she was five years old she moved to the United States with her mother and sister. Her father was in the military and stationed in Germany. They settled in Concord, California. Kim moved to the Valley in 1996 and has lived in Turlock for seventeen years.

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Kim is married and the mother of five children. She is very busy with kids' sports and other activities. When she has free time Kim likes going to the beach, baking and getting together with her family.

Kim has been an employee of the the Stanislaus County Library system for fifteen years and in Turlock for six. She was a library clerk until getting promoted to library assistant. Some of her duties include customer service, volunteer coordination, processing new materials, safety and reconciliation of the cash drawer.

Before coming to the library, Kim was a clerk for the Welfare Department. She also ran a daycare for about five years.

Kim will be started a new chapter in her life in April. She has left the library to start a new job in Merced. Kim will be missed by the staff, the volunteers and the public alike.

Best wishes, Kim, in your new endeavors!

### April • Jean Koch

Jean Koch was born in Lindenhurst, New York, where she graduated from Lindenhurst High School. At the age of nineteen she came to California to visit her sister who was married to a Marine and living in Oceanside. Jean fell in love with the area, so she decided to move here.

She lived in the area for about five years before moving to Keyes and then to Turlock. She has been a Turlock resident for twenty-three years.

Before coming to work for Stanislaus County Library System, she worked five years at the Delta Blood Bank, first in Modesto, then in Stockton.

Jean has worked for the library, primarily as a page, for fourteen years, nine of which have been in Turlock. She is responsible for returning books and other materials back in the appropriate place once they are returned to the library. She "reads" the shelves to keep materials in the proper order, which can be a real challenge with all the use the library gets. Emptying the outside book returns and checking in the materials is also one of her duties.

When she's not working, she enjoys working on her family genealogy, reading and spending as much time with her grandson as possible. Retirement is something she has begun to consider. When the time comes, she would like to leave Turlock and move to Sonora, where she has family.



## From the Librarian's Desk....

*by Diane Bartlett*

Dear Friends,

Our annual Summer Reading Challenge begins May 22, and we are busy getting ready. No matter how old you are, we have a reading challenge for you. Stop by and sign up any time after May 22, but better yet, come to our kickoff event on Saturday May 26 from 10 AM to 12:00 PM. Among other things, we will have a tie-dye station, so bring a T-Shirt or a pair of white socks and join in the fun.

Michelle and Chelsey are busy planning summer events for children. In addition to Story Time, we will continue our programs every Tuesday at 4 PM and will add Wednesday programs at 4 PM from May 23 through August 1. Because our theme is "Reading Takes You Everywhere", the Wednesday programs will take you on a trip around the world (and maybe even to outer space) with crafts and activities. Start the journey on May 23 by making your own passport journal.

We had great response to our Escape from Narnia event, so we will be offering another themed escape room event this summer. On June 8 we will Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library. Not only is it perfect for an escape room event, but it also has many references to 1968 (the same year our current library was dedicated).

Travelling this summer? Send us a postcard and we will display it along with a map showing all the places visited. Oh, the places you will go!

Do you think you know Turlock? Join in our challenge to identify several noteworthy locations in the city. Look for that event during the months of June and July.

Finally, send in your Turlock Trivia suggestions no later than Monday, June 18. We may use them in our Trivia Night on July 16. You can email us at [turlock@stanlibrary.org](mailto:turlock@stanlibrary.org) or call us at 664-8100.

Happy 25 Years to our Friends!

Diane



### Computer Geek Interested in Old Books?

The FOTPL has some old and special donated books. These books were either published prior to 1950 or are otherwise valuable. In order to reach a wider audience, the FOTPL is seeking volunteers to sell these books online. If there is any interest in both old books and computer sales, please contact Dorothy at 209-883-4846.

## FRIENDS OF THE TURLOCK PUBLIC LIBRARY

### WHO WE ARE

In 1993, when the County had cut library funding most severely, a group of people came together to form Friends of the Turlock Public Library. The purpose of our organization is to support the Turlock Library by raising supplemental funds, advocating for adequate public support at the city, county and state levels and by sponsoring special library programs to benefit the Turlock community. Friends of the Turlock Public Library is a non-profit section 501(c)(3) organization.

### WHAT WE PROVIDE

During the year we provide the Turlock Public Library with funds to support of Children’s and Adult Programs and materials as well as library equipment.

### HOW WE DO IT

We raise money for the library through fundraisers such as our annual book sale. We also receive donations from members and businesses. Administrative Expenses are normally funded through membership dues.

### ADVOCACY

An important function of Friends of the Public Library is to explain the needs of the library to decision makers at all levels of government.

### WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN

We need more members for at least three reasons:

- Additional members will mean more volunteer hours available
- Additional members will mean more income from dues to help with administrative expenses
- Additional members will mean a broader representation of voices to speak out on behalf of our Library

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### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Dues (July through June 30): Please circle one: Individual \$10.00 Family \$20.00  
Lifetime \$150.00 Business, Club or Organization \$25.00

My Interests : Friends’ Bookstore \_\_\_ Book Sorting \_\_\_ Annual Book Sale \_\_\_ Collectible Books \_\_\_  
Becoming a Board Member \_\_\_ Fundraising \_\_\_ Public Information \_\_\_

Please mail this form with a check to:

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**Save the Date!**



**Friends of the Turlock Library**

**Fashion Tea**

**October 13, 2018**

**Proceeds go to the  
Turlock Library Building Fund!**



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