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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **December Events at the Turlock Library**

Children, teens and adults can take part in free programs at the Turlock Library this December, beginning with the month-long Find the Grinch program. Throughout the month, children are invited to find the Grinch hiding in the library's children's room for a chance to win a small prize. Find the Grinch is sponsored by the Friends of the Turlock Library.

The Turlock Teens Talk Books program will be held on Saturday, Dec. 2 at 3 p.m. This program provides teens with the opportunity to discuss their favorite books and find new book recommendations.

"STEAM\* Works: Snow" will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 5 at 4 p.m. (\*STEAM: Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) Children can enjoy a reading of *Toys Meet Snow* by Emily Jenkins, about a trio of toys who encounter snow for the first time. Following the story, participants will make pretend snow out of baking soda and shaving cream. STEAM Works is designed for children in kindergarten and above.

The Turlock Library Book Club will meet on Wednesday, Dec. 6 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss *The Soldier's Wife* by Margaret Leroy. For more information, please contact the Turlock Library Reference Desk at 209-664-8100.

Free Computer Basics classes will be offered on Thursdays, Dec. 7 and 14 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, Dec. 8 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss *The Girl on*

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*the Train* by Paula Hawkins. A limited number of copies are available for checkout from the library. For more information, please contact the Turlock Library Reference Desk at 209-664-8100.

Ages 16 and up are invited to take part in a stained glass art program on Monday, Dec. 11 at 6 p.m. This program will feature easy to learn techniques to stain glass. Crafters will have an opportunity to create stained glass ornaments.

A dream catchers craft for children will be offered on Tuesday, Dec. 12 at 4 p.m. Children will make their own unique dream catchers using upcycled materials. All ages are welcome to participate. This craft is sponsored by the Friends of the Turlock Library.

Babies, toddlers, and preschoolers are invited to enjoy “Wee Move and Play” on Wednesday, Dec. 13 at 10 a.m. This program features an hour of free play, music and movement. Each child must be supervised by a parent or adult guardian at all times.

The Turlock Library’s Teen Advisory Board will meet on Wednesday, Dec. 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.

A snowflakes craft will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 19 at 4 p.m. Children will make and decorate snowflakes using a variety of provided materials. This craft is sponsored by the Friends of the Turlock Library.

Dec. 22 through Jan. 6 the library will host a scavenger hunt for children. Participants are invited to search the children’s room for clues to a secret message. Children who successfully decode the message will win a small prize. This scavenger hunt promotes vocabulary and literacy skills.

Children are invited to build and play with LEGOs and DUPLO blocks on Tuesday, Dec. 26 at 4 p.m. Ages 4 and under are welcome to participate, however, they must have direct parental supervision.

“Escape: a Narnia Adventure” will take place on Thursday, Dec. 28 at 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. This themed “escape room” experience is based on the popular book series by C.S. Lewis. Ages 10 and older are invited to enter the world of Narnia, where they will face challenges in the form of riddles and puzzles, find the White Witch’s wand, and “escape.” Due to the nature of the program, advance registration is required. Please call 209-664-8100 to sign up.

The Turlock Library is located at 550 Minaret Ave. For more information on Turlock Library programs, please contact the Turlock Library branch supervisor, Diane Bartlett, at 209-664-8100.

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