June Events at the Turlock Library

All ages are invited to take part in free programs at the Turlock Library this June, beginning with “Tech Connect: eResources” on Monday, June 5 from 12 to 2 p.m. Community members will learn how to download and get started using the library’s free eResources, including eBooks, eMagazines, Hoopla (downloadable audiobooks, music, movies, TV shows, and comics) and Mango Languages. Participants must bring their library cards, electronic devices, and any user names and passwords they may need.

“STEAM* Works: Scent Jars” will be held on Tuesday, June 6 at 4 p.m. (*Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) Following a reading of Andrea Beaty’s Ada Twist, Scientist, each child can test his or her sense of smell by guessing the different scents in jars. STEAM Works is designed for children in kindergarten and older. Children under 4 are welcome to participate, however, they must have direct parental supervision.

The Turlock Library Book Club will meet on Wednesday, June 7 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss The Passion of Artemisia by Susan Vreeland. For more information, please contact the Turlock Library Reference Desk at 209-664-8100.

Children are invited to design their own miniature catapults using a variety of materials on Wednesday, June 7 at 4 p.m. Once their catapults are complete, they will have an opportunity to put them to the test.

The Mystery Lovers Book Club will meet on Friday, June 9 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss The Quiet Game by Greg Iles. 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.

Children are invited to a program inspired by the video game Minecraft on Thursday, June 13 at 4 p.m. Participants will have an opportunity to show off their Minecraft skills with crafts and quizzes.

The Turlock Library’s Teen Advisory Board will meet on Wednesday, June 14 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.

Children can craft with Perler beads on Wednesday, June 14 at 4 p.m. When heat is applied, the colorful beads fuse together, preserving the crafters’ designs.

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On Monday, June 19 at 6:30 p.m., children and their families are invited to a Unicorn Pajama Story Time featuring special guest Turlock Mayor Gary Soiseth. There will be a special craft following Story Time. This program is designed for ages 4 to 8, however all ages are welcome.

Children and their families can enjoy an interactive show presented by the Traveling Lantern Theatre Company on Tuesday, June 20 at 4 p.m. This show, entitled “The Ribbles Build a Residence,” will focus on the building of a new, environmentally friendly dream home for the Ribbles, with help from the bird architect Thia Tweet and Brooklyn contractor Gerry the Ant. The audience will also have an opportunity to help the Ribbles by playing interactive games and discovering basic building techniques. This program is best for ages 5 and up, but all ages are welcome.

A tile art craft will be held on Wednesday, June 21 at 4 p.m. Children will decorate individual porcelain tiles with ink to create unique designs.

Thursday, June 22 at 3 p.m. is Safety Day at the Turlock Library. The Turlock Fire Department and Turlock Police Department will discuss safety with children and their families. Participants will have an opportunity to ask questions and get a closer look at each department’s vehicles. Parents are encouraged to bring their cameras to this outdoor event.

The library will celebrate Shark Week June 26 through July 1. Throughout the week, children are invited to find the shark hiding in the children’s area for a chance to receive a prize. On Wednesday, June 28 at 4 p.m. children can make shark bookmarks, perfect to use with favorite books.

Children are invited to build and play with LEGOs on Tuesday, June 27 at 4 p.m. Children under the age of 4 are welcome to participate, however, they must have direct parental supervision.

Adults can learn how to create folded book art on Wednesday, June 28 at 6 p.m. This craft is a unique way to give old books a new life as works of art.

The catapult craft, Minecraft program, Perler beads craft, tile art craft and shark bookmark craft are sponsored by the Friends of the Turlock Library. The Turlock Library is located at 550 Minaret Ave. in Turlock. For more information on Turlock Library programs, please contact the Turlock Library branch supervisor, Diane Bartlett, at 209-664-8100.

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