



Stanislaus County Library

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March Events at the Turlock Library

All ages can enjoy free events at the Turlock Library this month, beginning with a Candy Count through March 30. All ages are invited to estimate the number of candies in the library's candy jar for a chance to win the entire jar of candy. In the event of a tie, the winner will be chosen by a random drawing.

STEAM* Works: *Cloudette* will take place on Tuesday, March 6 at 4 p.m. (*STEAM: Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) Following a reading of Tom Lichtenheld's *Cloudette*, children will have an opportunity to make clouds in a jar, and create their own clouds to take home. STEAM Works is designed for children in kindergarten and older, however children ages 4 and under are welcome to participate with direct parental supervision.

Wiggle Worms will be held every Wednesday at 10 and 11 a.m. Wiggle Worms is a special Story Time program designed for babies, active toddlers, and adult caregivers, however all ages are welcome to attend. Wiggle Worms participants can enjoy stories, lap bounces, music, dancing, rhythm activities, fingerplays and more.

The Turlock Library Book Club will meet on Wednesday, March 7 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss *What We Keep* by Elizabeth Berg. For more information, please contact the Turlock Library Reference Desk at 209-664-8100.

The Friends of the Turlock Library will meet Wednesday, March 7 at 6:30 p.m. at the Turlock Library. The public is invited to attend this meeting of library supporters.

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Preschool Story Time will be held on Thursdays at 10 and 11 a.m. Story Times feature new and classic picture books, flannel board and puppet stories, fingerplays, music and dancing, for preschoolers ages 3 to 5 and their caregivers, however all ages are welcome.

Free Computer Basics classes will be offered on Thursdays 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, March 9 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss *Still Life* by Louise Penny. 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 can enjoy two seasonal crafts this month, beginning with a leprechaun hat craft on Tuesday, March 13 at 4 p.m. Crafters will paint small pots to resemble leprechaun hats. On Tuesday, March 20, children will paint spring-themed scenes with watercolors, and then use salt to separate the pigment. Children under the age of 4 may participate, but must have direct parental supervision. These crafts are sponsored by the Friends of the Turlock Library.

The Turlock Library's Teen Advisory Board will meet on Wednesday, March 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.

Community members are invited to a free "Caregiver College" program on Thursday, March 15 at 12 p.m. This Community Hospice program will offer practical information designed to help participants become better caregivers, and prepare for the future. This month's topic is "Estate Planning." A free lunch will be provided. Advance registration is required; please call 209-578-6300 to sign up.

Teens and adults can take part in the library's "Star Trek vs. Star Wars" trivia night on Monday, March 26 at 6 p.m. Each team may have between one and four players, and all teams must have a smart phone or tablet capable of downloading the free Kahoot! app.

Children are invited to build and play with LEGO® and LEGO® DUPLO® blocks on Tuesday, March 27 at 4 p.m. Ages 4 and under are welcome to participate, however, they must have direct parental supervision.

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

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