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May Events at the Turlock Library

The Turlock Library will offer free programs for children, teens, and adults this May, beginning with "STEAM* Works: Seedy Gardening" on Tuesday, May 2 at 4 p.m. (*Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) Following a reading of Rebecca Hirsch's *Plants Can't Sit Still*, children will create seed-starter planters using biodegradable egg cartons. 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, May 3 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss *The Honk and Holler Opening Soon* by Billie Letts. For more information, please contact the Turlock Library Reference Desk at 209-664-8100.

The Turlock Teens Talk Books program will be held on Saturday, May 6 at 3 p.m. This program provides teens with the opportunity to discuss their favorite books and find new book recommendations.

Ages 13 and up are invited to take part in a tie-dye program on Monday, May 8 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Participants are invited to bring in white shirts and learn different tie-dying techniques. The finished products will be unique and wearable pieces of art.

Children are invited to celebrate Children's Book Week on Tuesday, May 9 at 4 p.m. This party will celebrate the spy and mystery genre. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Turlock Library.

The Turlock Library's Teen Advisory Board will meet on Wednesday, May 10 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 special Litterbug Story Time will be held on Thursday, May 11 at 11 a.m. This event will feature stories, dancing, songs, and a special guest from Environmental Resources of Stanislaus County who will discuss ways to avoid being a litterbug.

Community members are invited to a free "Caregiver College" program on Thursday, May 11 from 12 to 1 p.m. This program will offer practical information designed to help participants become better caregivers. This month's topic is "When Energy and Exhaustion Collide." A free lunch will be provided. Advance registration is required; please call 209-578-6300 for more information and to sign up.

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The Mystery Lovers Book Club will meet on Friday, May 12 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss *Sworn to Silence* by Linda Castillo. 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 and their families are invited to celebrate ten years of Mo Willems' *Elephant and Piggie* books with a "Thank-O-Rama" program on Tuesday, May 16 at 4 p.m. This event will feature a story, craft, and other activities.

The Teen Fan Fiction Club will meet on Monday, May 22 at 4 p.m. Participants will have the opportunity to write, share and discuss their creative fan fiction in a positive environment. The Fan Fiction Club is recommended for ages 12 to 18. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Turlock Library.

Children are invited to build and play with LEGOs on Tuesday, May 23 at 4 p.m. Children under the age of 4 are welcome to participate, however, they must have direct parental supervision.

All ages are invited to the Turlock Library's annual Summer Reading Kick-off Event on Saturday, May 27 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. This event will be held on the lawn outside the library.

Families can take part in a game day at the library on Tuesday, May 30 at 4 p.m. Participants can enjoy an hour of classic board game play.

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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