

Friends of the Turlock Public Library
Board Meeting
9 July 2014

Present: Linda Davenport, Jeanne Endsley, Fran Fears, Phyllis Frasier, Nancy Frykman, Michael Fuller, Carmen Ingols, Anne-Marie Montgomery (Turlock Regional Librarian), Pat Portwood, Mary Salegui (guest), Mike Seifert, Jane Smith (guest).

Call to Order: Jeanne Endsley called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. The minutes of the June meeting were reviewed. Michael moved, with a second from Phyllis, that they be approved. Passed unanimously.

Reports:

President: Jeanne passed around a copy of *Turlock Historical Record*, a publication of the Turlock Historic Society.

Treasurer: Carmen presented the last financial report of the 2013–14 fiscal year. Income exceeded the budget estimate in all areas — to the tune of about \$3,993! Our balances on June 1 were \$25,675.39 for checking and \$7,296.97 in a certificate of deposit. Ending balances were \$25,509.78 and \$7,296.97 respectively. There is an interest-only CD (the Gallison Fund) that is currently at \$6,840.59.

She had received a bill from Hal for \$19.67 for a receipt book and envelopes and another for \$313 for the children's program Uncle Jer's Traveling Bee Show. Nancy moved and Pat seconded that Carmen pay these bills. Passed unanimously.

Membership: Although Hal was not present, he had let Jeanne know that \$750 in memberships and \$855 in donations had come in. There are currently 613 members.

Stanislaus Library Foundation: Pat reminded us of two events. The first, from 5:30 to 7:30 on 22 August, is a party at the library to recognize all the library's supporters and for everyone to meet our new county library, Diane McDonnell and chat with the authors of the community novel. By the way, Diane is featured in the July issue of *Stanislaus* magazine. The second will take place on November 16: Daniel Handler (AKA Lemony Snicket) at the Gallo Center. The total price will be \$15,000. Wells Fargo has already given \$7,500. In all, the SLF hopes to make \$10,000 on the event. Tickets are already available at the Gallo Center. Finally, the Foundation has engaged a student to work on its website: <http://www.stanislauslibraryfoundation.org/>. Don't forget: when you go to amazon.com, B&N or GoodSearch through the site, you help generate referral fees for the Foundation.

Newsletter: Phyllis is working on the August newsletter and has already some material organized — or promised.

Turlock Librarian: Anne-Marie highlighted June happenings, which turned out to be science and math programs galore with high attendance. Python Ron's reptile program drew 148 and 121 individuals on June 9. The first Science Camp (consisting of reading a book, doing an experiment and a craft) called Scoop on Gloop drew 93 participants. On June 17, 19 teens experimented with dry ice

and soap. The following two days were the first two of eight math programs for kindergarteners to 5th graders; the first had 30 participants; the second, 25. At another program on the 19th, 17 tweens played detective writing invisible ink messages. On June 23 89 participated in the second Science Camp: Does It Float? On July 24 134 people participated in the library's Lego Day. The third and fourth math programs on July 25 and 26 drew 55 and 28 participants respectively. Finally, the third Science Camp — Let It Snow (craft) — had 72 participants.

Ongoing and upcoming programs are just as impressive. The Summer Reading Program is in full swing. This year's theme is "Fizz Boom Read!" SRP is for everyone: children, tweens, teens and adults. Although incentives are offered, the best reward is the enjoyment of reading and, for younger students, the opportunity to maintain and improve reading levels. The last day to pick up a prize will be 2 August. | Story Time programs will resume next week and will be in session for six weeks. Wiggle Worms will be on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 and at 11:00, and Preschool Story Time will be on Thursdays, also at 10 and 11. | The last math program will take place on 10 July: 1:00 for kindergarteners up to second graders, and 1:30 for third-, fourth- and fifth-graders. | Teens will be making catapults on 8 July at 4:00. | Lego Day will begin at 3:30 on 15 July. | Uncle Jer's Traveling Bee Show will be on 21 July, either at 11:00 or at 1:00. | Finally, the Zombie Preparedness program will take place on 23 July. After the presentation, teens may assemble their own safety-preparedness kits.

The room we meet in is going to be converted into a room especially for teenagers, although it will remain a community meeting room.

Old Business:

Farmers' Market: We will have a table at the Turlock Farmers' Market on July 25. Hal or Michael will pick up materials on Thursday before 5:00 PM and set up the table at 7:45 AM Friday. Their shift ends at 10:00, when Brooks and Gity will take over. They will be responsible for returning items to the library on Saturday. She reminded Michael to bring his own chair (since all the others were absent).

Library Day: July 17 is library day at the Stanislaus County Fair. Mike has already received information about how we can get in and when the shifts (2½ hours) begin and end. Evidently about 750 kids' books are available to be given away.

Adjournment: There being no new business, Michael moved that we adjourn. Nancy seconded the motion. The mass exodus began at 7:04 PM.

Next Meeting: 6 August 2014, 6:30 PM, Turlock Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Fuller