

Stanislaus County Library

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April Events at the Turlock Library

This April, the Turlock Library will host a variety of free events for children, teens and adults. STEAM* Works: Seedy Gardening will take place on Tuesday, April 3 at 4 p.m. (*STEAM: Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) Following a reading of Rebecca Hirshch's *Plants Can't Sit Still*, children will make seed-starter planters using biodegradable egg cartons. STEAM Works is designed for children in kindergarten and older, however children ages 4 and under are welcome to participate with direct parental supervision.

The Turlock Library Book Club will meet on Wednesday, April 4 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss *One Hundred Years of Solitude* by Gabriel García Márquez. For more information, please contact the Turlock Library Reference Desk at 209-664-8100.

The Friends of the Turlock Library will meet Wednesday, April 4 at 6:30 p.m. at the Turlock Library. The public is invited to attend this meeting of library supporters.

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.

On Saturday, April 7 the library will celebrate Día de los niños/ Día de los libros, or Day of the Child/Day of the Book, from 1 to 3 p.m. Children can enjoy a special bilingual Story Time, crafts, and activities. This year's theme is "Wild About Books." Each child will receive a free book while supplies last, courtesy of the Friends of the Library.

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The Turlock Teens Talk Books program will be held on Saturday, April 7 at 3 p.m. This program provides teens with the opportunity to discuss their favorite books and find new book recommendations.

Families can enjoy a free performance by Act!vated Story Theatre on Tuesday, April 10 at 4 p.m. The Goza family will perform two multicultural folktales full of physical comedy, music, song, dance, American Sign Language, and audience participation.

The Turlock Library's Teen Advisory Board will meet on Wednesday, April 11 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.

Ages 17 and up are invited to unwind with a day of coloring on Thursday, April 12 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The library will provide colored pencils, crayons, and a variety of designs.

The Mystery Lovers Book Club will meet on Friday, April 13 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss *The Blessing Way* by Tony Hillerman. 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.

Great Valley Museum's "Weather, Clouds and Water" program will be held on Tuesday, April 17 at 4 p.m. Children will learn to identify different types of clouds, witness the effects of wind, watch a cloud form, and touch lightning. This program is designed for children in kindergarden through sixth grade, and is sponsored by the Friends of the Turlock Library.

Wee Move and Play will take place on Wednesday, April 18 at 10 a.m. This program features unstructured playtime for babies, toddlers and preschoolers, during which they can enjoy music, movement and sensory play. Participants must have direct supervision by parents or adult guardians.

The Modesto Money Mavens will host an "Extreme Couponing Class" on Monday, April 23 at 5:30 p.m. Participants will learn about smartphone apps, tips, and tricks that may save shoppers time and money.

Children are invited to build and play with LEGO[®] and LEGO[®] DUPLO[®] blocks on Tuesday, April 24 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.