



Friends of the Turlock Public Library Newsletter

President's Message

by Jackie Oyer

It is hard to believe that soon we will be enjoying the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. The year has flown by very quickly but has been a year of many accomplishments.

The Library Planning Committee continues meeting to discuss possible locations, funding sources and the actual architectural requirements for a new library. We have raised approximately \$67,628.00 through fundraising and donations. We will be developing ideas for additional fundraisers.

We are considering two options. The first option is finding a 30,000 square foot building in Turlock. John Lazar has been investigating possible locations. We haven't found available properties that meet the requirements for size and available parking at this time. Option two would be the expansion of the existing library. The current library site is favored. There will be inquiry into the feasibility of including not only the library property, but also adjacent properties. If it is determined that the current site will be adequate for the project, and after the scope of the work required to expand the library is determined, design firms will be contacted.

Members of the Committee are Vito Chiesa, County Supervisor; Keith Boggs, Assistant Executive Officer for Stanislaus County; Steve Nacimiento, Councilman; Jeanine Bean, Turlock Planning Commission; John Lazar, Realtor; Bryan Sontag, Library Branch Operations Manager; Diane Bartlett, Turlock Librarian; John Ferrari; Jackie Oyer, President FOTPL; Pat Portwood, FOTPL Board Member and Library Foundation President; Brooks Judd, FOTPL Board Member; Phyllis Frasier, committee secretary.

Mark Your Calendars for Our Book Sale!

by Hanna Renning

Our annual Book Sale will be held at the First United Methodist Church, 1660 Arbor Way, Turlock.

Members Only Night

Thursday, January 26, 4 - 8 PM

Public Sale

Friday, January 27, 9 AM - 7 PM
Saturday, January 28, 9 AM - 5 PM

Now is the time to choose the books you want to donate and to bring them a bag or two at a time to the library. If you have a large quantity of donations, please call Carmen at 632-6497. Books should be in good condition. No textbooks or magazines please.

Volunteers are needed to sort books on Wednesday, January 25 and to sell books Thursday evening, January 26, and all day on Friday and Saturday.

Contact Hanna Renning to help with everything except sorting at 632-4692.

Contact Sandy Mann to help sort books at 634-8213.

Our book sale is listed on:

www.booksalefinder.com

Holiday Gift Giving



If you are looking for that special something as a gift this holiday season, stop by the Friends' Bookstore located in the Turlock Library.

If you are downtown you can visit the Book Bin located in Gallery Finesse, 128 North Center Street, Turlock.

You'll find a wide variety of books including holiday season ones at both locations

Friends Participates in Carnegie Book Fair

by Jackie Oyer

The Friends of the Turlock Library participated in the Carnegie Art Center Book Fair on November 5 and 6. Also working were Mike Seifert and Brooks Judd. The fair was an opportunity for authors and illustrators of children's books to display their work and to talk with the public. Books and other items were for sale. Some authors made presentations on different subjects related to books.

The Friends spoke with the public and handed out packets of information. It was a great opportunity to let the public know who we are and what we do. There was a collage of various events that the Friends either sponsored or participated in.



Left to right: Carmen Ingols and Jackie Oyer.



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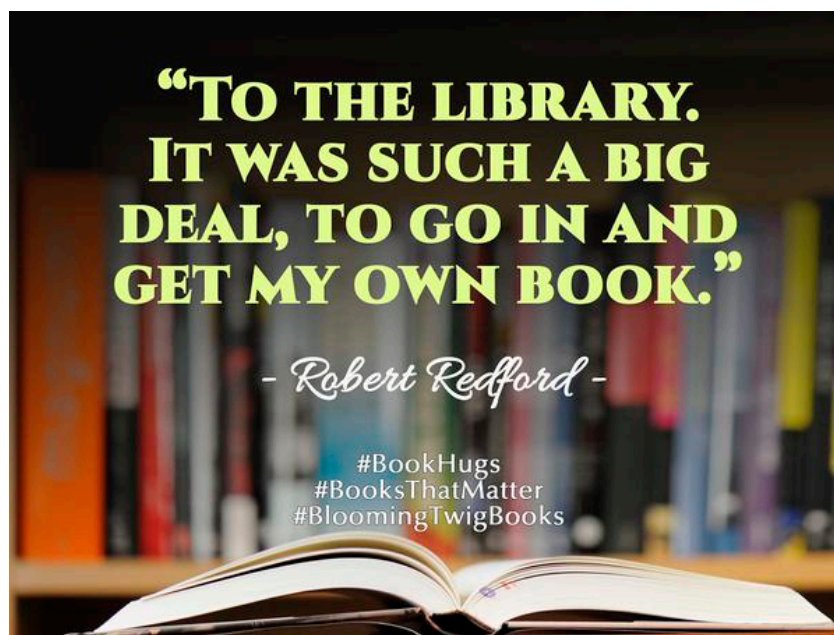
The Authors' Gala

by Pat Portwood

The Stanislaus Library Foundation held its annual Author's Garden Gala on September 24. It was a wonderful event, celebrating the amazing bounty of our Valley, which surely includes Stanislaus County's thirteen libraries. With 140 library supporters and many sponsors, a great dessert auction and featured poets at hand, our gala was able to continue to advance its mission of providing Children's Summer Reading programs for 2017. Through these programs, we have seen children maintain their reading skills and continue to develop a love of reading.

The Save Stanislaus Libraries committee has been busy raising the funds to conduct the 2017 tax campaign that will begin in full force in January 2017. Turlock has always been a huge supporter of the public library, and we hope you will sign up to help support this renewal. You can help with signs, walking precincts, calling, etc. If interested, please contact Pat Portwood at 634-3592.

It's as simple as this: no tax, no library.



dd's Discounts Literacy Fundraiser a Success!

In August, dd's Discounts supported the 2016 Youth Literacy Fundraiser. The campaign raised a total of \$2,179 in donations. One hundred percent of the donations are going directly to the purchase of new books from First Book. The books will become part of the Turlock Library's collection and will be available to all local youth.

Stop by dd's and thank them for their support of our library. dd's Discounts is located in the Turlock Town Center, 601 North Golden State Boulevard in Turlock.

Friends of the Turlock Public Library

Our Purpose:

To support the Turlock Public Library by raising supplementary funds, by advocating for adequate public library funding and other concerns at the city, county and state levels, and by sponsoring special library programs to benefit the Turlock community.

Meeting Information:

The first Wednesday of each month, 6:30 PM at the Turlock Library.

Friends of the Turlock Public Library is a non-profit 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization.

Contact Information:

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FOTPL Adopts a Poll

by Hanna Renning

Our building fund is more than \$500 richer thanks to three shifts of FOTPL members who worked at a busy polling place located in the Cornerstone Covenant Church on Crowell Road on Election Day.

There was never a moment from 6:00 AM until 8:00 PM when we were not fully engaged with the voters flocking to the polls.

Many sincere thanks to Carl Bengston, Stan Carkeet, Linda Davenport, Dorothy Finnegan, Michael Fuller, Carmen Ingols, Brooks Judd, Hal Owen, Jackie and Ken Oyer, Dave and Lynn Posluch, Sandie Sing, and George and Gretchen Williams!

From the Librarian's Desk...

by Diane Bartlett

Dear Friends,

Recently someone remarked, "The best thing about Turlock Library is the staff." I should have responded by saying that the best thing about Turlock Library is The Friends of the Turlock Public Library! Most recently you showed your commitment to this community library when you chose to attend our Town Hall meeting on October 18, despite conflicting events that day. Thank you for your time and for sharing your thoughts about the future of our library. What a great group of advocates you are! If any of you reading this have not yet attended a FOTPL Board Meeting, I encourage you to drop by the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 to hear more from this fantastic group.

I'd like to call your attention to some special programs coming soon:

On Tuesday, November 15 at 4 PM, the Great Valley Museum will present a hands-on program entitled "Oceans." We've invited former Turlock Children's Librarian, Olga Cardenas, back to offer an Early Literacy Parenting Workshop on Monday, December 5 at 10:30 AM. Our next Sensory Play day will be Wednesday, December 14 at 10 AM. We will have a visit from the Fratello Marionettes on Wednesday, December 28 at 3 PM. Many thanks to the Friends for sponsoring the series of presentations by the Great Valley Museum staff and the Marionettes show.

Of course, we will continue our weekly programming for children, and teens can still join the book club and Advisory Board. In addition to the parenting workshop, adults can look forward to coloring days, recipe exchanges and classes on library sponsored electronic resources.

We Are Accepting Book Donations!

Now is the time to bring your book donations to the library in time for our January Book Sale!

Books should be in good condition. We cannot accept magazines or textbooks.

If you have a large donation of books, please contact Carmen Ingols at 632-6497.

Friends' Fashion Tea

by Jackie Oyer

The FOTPL put on a fashion tea at the First Presbyterian Church in Turlock on October 1. It was a wonderful event with approximately 100 people attending. Diana McDonald of Turlock catered the tea. The food was delicious, and there was a nice variety from which to choose.

The fashions were from Cindy's Doodads, Fashions and Accessories. Turlock Mayor Gary Soiseth escorted the models, who were wearing lovely outfits for every taste.

There was a successful silent auction and a raffle of a beautiful handmade quilt by local quilter, Sandy Mann.

A big thanks goes to our Fundraising Committee. Months of hard work went into making this day a financial success and an event to remember.



Without libraries what do we have? We have no past and no future.

Ray Bradbury

Friends of the Turlock Public Library

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Upcoming Library Events

Veterans' Day

November 11

The Turlock Library will be closed.

Great Valley Museum: Oceans

4:00 PM, Tuesday, November 15

Wiggle Worms

10 & 11 AM, Wednesday, November 16

Preschool Story Time

10 & 11 AM, Thursday, November 17

International Games Day

Open Hours, Saturday, November 19

Lego Day

4:00 PM, Tuesday, November 22

Thanksgiving Day

November 24

The Turlock Library will be closed.

The Day After Thanksgiving Day

November 24

The Turlock Library will be closed.

**Knowledge is free at
the library. Just bring
your own container.**

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