



# Friends to Friends

Newsletter of the Friends  
of the Woodland Public  
Library

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## From the President's Desk:

We continue to see the city's budget crisis worsening and the number one alternative proposed again by the City Manager during the May 25th council meeting is to **CLOSE THE LIBRARY**. We have to get the word out to our friends and neighbors about this situation. The only proposed "solution" being actively pursued by the city government is the passage of a 4 year city sales tax of one quarter of one percent (that is 1/4 of a penny for every taxable dollar spent in Woodland - Measure V. **We need your help to help get Measure V** (the actual tax measure) **passed**. We also want to make a strong showing of support for the library by voting "yes" on Measure S, an advisory measure recommending that 30% of the sales tax revenue collected goes to the library. There is no guarantee of restoring the library to 54 hours at this point, but the expectations are that the tax revenue will be enough to keep the library at its "current" levels.

We have been keeping busy and involved in various community events other than working for the passage of the sales tax. National Library Week was celebrated April 11-17 and this year the theme was "Communities thrive @ your library". On April 24th, the Friends participated in several Earth Day activities. Downtown in Heritage Plaza we sponsored a "Plant a Seed" table for people to plant a prize winning sunflower seed to take home to put in their garden. We also held a "Trash to Treasure" yard sale (thanks to those who donated and to Erin for "holding down the fort"). We also had our quarterly Friends' book sale, which made around \$1,200. The Friends' sponsored a craft table at Dia de los Niños. Thanks to Diane Adams and Karen Shepard for working at that very windy event making masks with the kids (glitter and feathers will attract them every time!).

On Wednesday, June 16th at 5:30 pm, we will hold our annual membership meeting at the library featuring author/chef Tyler Stone. Seating is limited to 40 members, so email or call us if you would like to attend. It is a Wednesday evening and there will be a short business meeting before Tyler demonstrates (and let's us sample) his cooking. There will be 3-4 "courses", each paired with an appropriate sampling of wine. More information is included inside. If you'd like to attend and need a ride, someone can pick you up (with prior arrangement).

We are also holding a one day book sale on Thursday, June 24th from 4-7pm. This sale is open to all, so stop by and pick up some summer reading.

A reminder to check the Friends' new website [www.woodlandfol.org](http://www.woodlandfol.org). It has the latest news of the library and the Friends. You can make a renew your membership or make a donation to help us in our efforts to keep the library open. Please bookmark this site and check it frequently for updates regarding important events, activities and meetings.

It is crucial that Measure V passes. VOTE on June 8th and remember to VOTE YES for V (Victory) and YES for S ("SAVE our Woodland Public Library").

Thanks to you all for your help and support - Diana Dearnore, President



## FOL UPCOMING EVENTS

The Friends' schedule of upcoming events is as follows:

### Annual Membership Meeting

Members only please! This event will feature Chef Tyler Stone and his fabulous cook book, *The Kid's Cooking*.

After a short business meeting, Chef Stone will demonstrate some of his cooking techniques and there will be a food and wine tasting. Attendance is limited to 40 members, so RSVP early.

Wednesday, June 16th,  
Business Meeting 5:30 pm  
Chef Stone 6:00 pm

### June One Day Book Sale

Open to general public - bring your friends and neighbors and stock up on some summer reading.

Thursday June 24th,  
4-7pm

## DON'T FORGET TO VOTE ON JUNE 8TH

## Yes on S & V





## Fiscal Year Finances

Happy June everyone,

The Friends' fiscal year starts on July 1 and ends June 30 so we are approaching another year end. Thanks to our great fundraiser, Mystery Night, along with increased membership and donations, we are doing well financially. We've tried a few new things this year, such as adding end of month Thursday evening sales, having more author visits, and a family game night. I think they've all been successful in bringing more cultural events as well as opportunities for Friends to get together with Friends.

The Friends' monies have allowed us to advocate very strongly for passage of Measures S and V. We've been able to buy ads and sturdy lawn signs, as well as print flyers for distribution at our schools and have a great poster contest. It's the very essence of our community that's on the line on June 8th. The Friends' monies cannot run the operations of the library, no matter how much we wish we could. The Library needs support from everyone to show the City Council that the community's money is what funds a vital part of Woodland. The Library brings together young and old, rich and poor, literate and illiterate in the cause of freedom and love of information and learning. You can't get that from Amazon!

I know I'm echoing other voices in this newsletter, but I urge you to **VOTE YES on Measures S & V** and educate your neighbors as to why it's so important.

Erin Murphy  
Treasurer



## LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEE PERSPECTIVE

This will be a very brief article since there's only one message of importance to convey:

please, please be sure to vote for Measures S and V on June 8th. Also, please discuss the measures with your friends and encourage their positive votes.

At this point, passage of the proposed sales tax increase is the library's only viable hope for continuation of its vital services.

On behalf of the Board, many thanks to the Friends—especially Diana Dearmore and Erin Murphy, who have worked tirelessly on getting the word out about these measures. If S and V pass, it will be due in large part to their efforts.

Kay Hodges,  
Library Board of Trustees  
Friends of the Library Liaison



**Have a Safe and  
Fun Summer  
From the  
Friends!**

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Chef Tyler Stone is one of America's rising stars in the next generation of chefs. From the time he was 4 years old, Tyler has had a full-blown passion for the culinary arts. This Sacramento native has already accomplished much in his short career. He graduated a local culinary academy at the age of thirteen with a student degree in restaurant management and culinary arts. He has enjoyed numerous appearances on local television and has prepared fabulous dinner parties for local and national celebrities, organizations, and politicians. He is also currently in development for his own TV show.

Tyler's expertise allows him to prepare a variety of dishes from appetizers to desserts, though he really enjoys multi-course meals because of the attention to detail and his ability to be extremely creative. Tyler's inspiration comes from great chefs such as Emeril, Rocco, Yan, Trotter, and Keller, but also from his family, friends, and his local surroundings. "He is constantly surprising us with his flair for creating something new," says Sharon Stone, Tyler's mom. Asked why he enjoys cooking, Tyler compares it to creating a multi-course meal, "Even though each layer is unique, added together, the whole meal provides a feeling of wholeness, satisfaction, and fulfillment."

Tyler has been featured in nineteen articles in such publications as Sacramento Magazine, The Sacramento Bee, The Sacramento Union, Teen Cuisine, Elk Grove Citizen, Salute to Agriculture, and All Star Chef's Challenge. He can also be seen in monthly segments on News 10, KCRA 3, CW 31, and KOVR 13—as well as special appearances on News 10, CW 31, Fox 40, and KCRA 3 local news cooking segments. He has assisted the former executive White House chef for the Clinton and Bush administrations, Walter Scheib, and has cooked for such celebrities as:

- Vice President and Mrs. Cheney and 35 of their guests at their residence in Washington, D.C.
- John Davis of Davis Entertainment
- Gavin and Joe Maloof
- John Tesh and the Doobie Brothers
- Heather Fargo (as Mayor of Sacramento)

His dinners for six have sold at auction for up to \$4000, helping to raise funds for numerous of his favorite non-profit organizations. In addition to helping raise money for non-profits, he has served as a Spokesperson for the American Heart Association for 7 years, and has received the 2007 Leukemia Lymphoma Society's Celebrity of the Year Award.

Although he has a long resume, you may think this is not so very unusual—after all, Biba and Yan are both from the Sacramento area, as well. But, you may change your mind when you learn that **Chef Tyler Stone is only 18 years old!**

Tyler has self-published his first cookbook, *The Kid's Cooking*, which shares his love of food. **His book will be featured, along with a sampling of Chef Tyler's culinary delights, at The Friends of the Woodland Public Library Annual Meeting on Wednesday, June 16. The meeting will start at 5:30 pm.** Books will be available for purchase and signing.

You can also check out Chef Tyler at [www.ChefTylerStone.com](http://www.ChefTylerStone.com). Tyler is available for private parties, cooking demonstrations, and fundraisers.

## It's that time again!

Billie Butler



The Friends' fiscal year is drawing to a close on June 30, and that means that it is time for all Friends of the Woodland Public Library to renew, not only their membership, but their commitment to support the oldest operating Carnegie Library in California.

We have made renewing your membership as easy and convenient for you as possible. In this newsletter is a renewal form that you can fill out, enclose with your check and mail to the Friends at: PO Box 545, Woodland, 95776. You can also go to the Friends website [www.woodlandfol.org](http://www.woodlandfol.org) and either download a copy of the form to complete and mail in or renew your membership on-line using PayPal.

Remember, unless you are a lifetime member or recently renewed, your membership lapses on June 30, so whichever way you choose to renew, please do it right away.

The continued support of the Friends means so much in these difficult economic times. The library is a critical resource to the community. Families can check out books, magazines, movies for family entertainment. Job seekers can use the internet and prepare and copy résumés, students have the materials and environment they need for study. All of those services and so many more are enhanced through the contributions and work of the Friends of the Woodland Public Library.

Thank you for your continued support through your membership renewal.

**Yes on Measures S & V**  
**SAVE OUR**  
**WOODLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**Volunteer** to campaign for **Measure V** - the actual sales tax measure. If **this** measure does **NOT** pass, the **library could close on June 30, 2010.**

To volunteer for precinct walking on Saturday May, 29th and/or Saturday June 5th, please contact **Leslie Marcus at (530) 666-6767** or send and e-mail to [lmarcus67@yahoo.com](mailto:lmarcus67@yahoo.com), **Be sure to include a contact phone number so she can reach you.**

VOTE ON  
JUNE 8TH

## Community Outreach - Yes on Measure V

Diane Adams

On March 4, the **Yes on Measure V** Coalition began meeting to organize the campaign to pass this very important ballot measure which voters will decide on **June 8<sup>th</sup>**. If passed (by a 50% +1 vote), Measure V would create a 4-year, temporary sales tax which would help keep the library open and support vital community services including public safety (police and fire), and parks, recreation and senior programs.

The Coalition regularly brings together representatives from the Friends of the Library, Parks & Recreation and Senior programs, members of the Woodland Police and Fire Departments and downtown business people and community members. The goal of the Coalition has been to educate the public and present the positive message that Measure V will ensure and protect Woodlanders' quality of life until the current recession and resulting budget crisis eases.

What this temporary sales tax means to you is that 25 cents on every taxable \$100 or 2.5 cents on every taxable \$10 you spend in Woodland (this will not include food or services). This nominal amount will keep the library open at current service levels, preserve fire and police positions and help maintain parks, recreation and senior programs so critical to our quality of life. Most importantly, this minimal city tax on dollars spent in our community would stay in our community!

Measure V includes three advisory components, "S", "T" and "U" and must be voted on individually. **Measure S refers directly to the library**, so when you vote **Yes on Measure V**, be sure to also vote **Yes on Measure S**. Measure S will allocate 30% of the sales tax revenue to the library, so the library would receive about 8 cents per \$100 of taxable revenues. Just 8 cents will keep the library's doors open, but if Measure V fails, there is the very real possibility that all General Funds that the City of Woodland allocates to the library will be eliminated, forcing the library to close.

The Coalition for **Yes on Measure V** has raised thousands of dollars since early March. Lawn signs have sprung up all over town, many community leaders have endorsed the measure, supporting letters to the editor have been printed in the Daily Democrat, and informational materials have been printed and mailed as well as distributed during the Coalition organized precinct walking on May 8<sup>th</sup>. There will be two more precinct walks on May 29<sup>th</sup> and June 5<sup>th</sup>. Precinct walkers are still needed.

The Board of Directors and members of the Friends of the Library have worked tirelessly to get the word out about **Yes on Measure V** and **Yes on Measure S** by attending local events, talking to members the community, distributing **Yes on S and V** lawn signs, mailing informational pieces to people who signed the petition to support the library last spring, and more. **Our very survival as the oldest operating Carnegie library in California depends on the passage of Measure V.** Please help us get the word out and above all, **Vote Yes on Measure V and S** if you can't imagine our community without the Woodland Public Library!

Yes on Tax Measures **S & V**

**SAVE OUR  
WOODLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY**



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## IT IS TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Thank you for being a member of the Friends and supporting the oldest operating Carnegie Library in California. Your Friends' membership and involvement help to sustain and enhance the work of the library and contributes to the cultural and civic life of the community. We trust you will want to continue your membership and to participate on one or more of our committees, projects and special events. Please take a few minutes to complete the form below. **Membership dues are due on or before June 30 each year.**

Please make your check out to Friends of the Woodland Library and mail to: FOL PO Box 545 Woodland, 95776. You may also pay your dues by going to [www.woodlandfol.org](http://www.woodlandfol.org) and using **PayPal**, where you can use your debit or credit card, even if you don't have a PayPal account!

**Senior(65 or older)/Student— \$10**  
**Business/Patron—\$50**

**Individual—\$15**

**Family/Couple—\$25**  
**Lifetime—\$250**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please **list the names of those included in your Family/Couple membership:** (only family members residing at one address, please): \_\_\_\_\_

We hope you will want to participate on one or more of our committees, projects and special events. Please take a few minutes to indicate the ways in which you would like to help.

### I am interested in participating in the following activities:

- Special Events:** Help plan/organize a special event/author visit or work on specific tasks related to the event.
- Board of Directors:** Serve on the Friends of the Library board of directors.
- Publicity:** Prepare press releases for submission to local media, Chamber of Commerce and City calendars, and various websites.
- Book sales.** There are two ways to help: 1) sorting and shelving donated books and 2) working on sales day  
Please circle the one/s you are most interested in.
- Bulletin Board:** Prepare and maintain the Friends' bulletin board located inside the Woodland Library.
- Newsletter:** Be an editor, reporter, and/or photographer for the newsletter (published at least quarterly).
- Mystery Night:** Help with set-up/clean-up, food/wine, silent auction, organize volunteers, programs, "crew" for the production, other. It takes many people with different skills and interests to make this event a success.
- Volunteer Coordinator:** Help us coordinate our volunteers for special events, activities and book sales.
- Organizational Support:** Computer work, pick up donations, mailings, other general support tasks, such as telephoning members to provide updates, encourage participation, etc.



## Book Sales - Update from "The Stacks"

Remember, the Friends will be holding "one day" sales on the **last Thursday of the month**. The book sales will be open to the general public and the hours will be **4-7 p.m. (note the new extended hours)**. If you're unsure, please check our bulletin board and our website ([www.woodlandfol.org](http://www.woodlandfol.org)) for the latest updates.

### Book Sorting Hours \*

If you want to volunteer to help the Friends sort the numerous books and magazines that are donated, Betty Bringhurst and Diana Dearmore have scheduled the following hours that the Friends' room will be open (please enter through the Friends' door on the SE corner down the stairs):

**Monday (Betty) 2 - 4 pm**

**Tuesday (Diana) 4 - 6 pm**

**Wednesday (Betty) 2 - 4 pm**

**Thursday (Diana) 4 - 6 pm**

We will also be having a **work day the second Saturday of the month from 10 am-1 pm**. Please feel free to show up and help us tackle some of the big projects that still need to get done.

**June 12th will be the next Saturday work day. Hope to see you!**

**As this is a secured area, please do NOT show up unless the hours are scheduled above\* or you have made previous arrangements with me. If you want to schedule additional hours, please contact Diana at 530-666-9067. Thanks!**

**\*Some shifts may be cancelled due to summer vacations and other activities - check the website or call Diana at 666-9067 if you want to work.**

**.If you want to look at the current budget documents prepared by the City Manager and presented to the City Council on May 25th, the links to the documents are as follows:**

### Current 2010-2011 Budget Proposal

The City Council received the first budget recommendations report from the City Manager on the on March 30, 2010 and an updated report on May 25 - **STILL recommending closure of the city library**. That document is located here (be patient - it's 64 pages long and takes a while):

<http://web.cityofwoodland.org/civica/filebank/blobload.asp?BlobID=8427>

### Woodland Public Library Board of Trustees

The Library Board of Trustees now meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays of the month at 4:00 pm in the Leake Conference Room. The public is encouraged to attend.



FRIENDS' VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- BOOKSALES CO-CHAIR
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MYSTERY NIGHT CHAIRMAN

Email us: woodlandfol@yahoo.com or Call us: 530-666-0545 if you're interested

Please check out the bulletin board upstairs for the latest Friends' news - it is current and it looks GREAT! Look here for updates.

We appreciate your support.

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