



# Friends to Friends

Newsletter of the Friends  
of the Woodland Public  
Library

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## From the President's Desk

**Bliadhna Mhath Ur ! Felix Sit Annus Novus ! Shana Tova ! Urte Berri On ! Feliz Ano Novo ! Happy New Year !**

2012 - Another new year - a time for looking back and reflecting and also for looking forward with anticipation.

Looking (way) back to November, the *Dia de los Muertos* cross cultural community outreach was a huge success. Over 80 people attended our event at the library and were treated to a special slide show and lecture by Sr. Alarcón. There were crafts for children of all ages, free books, delicious food and fabulous live guitar music by David Campos. It was enthusiastically embraced by the community. Many thanks to our great partners at WCC and TANA.

And in late December, the **Friends of the Library received a grant from First 5 to promote a "Books for Babies"** early literacy program in the community. A special recognition goes to Karen Shepard and Diane Adams for putting the whole thing together. Also in December, the committee met for planning the **13th Annual Mystery Night**. If you'd like to help us, please call me at 666-9067. Emily MacDonald (VP) will be writing the play again for us (thanks Emily).

It's now 2012 and the Friends board is busier than ever. In the **book room**, we are holding 'work days' on the **first and third Saturday of the month**, from 10 am until 1 pm. It's a great opportunity to help the Friends catch up on some projects and you'll learn a lot about the "behind the scenes" of the book room. A schedule of work days is on page 4. Thanks to Joe Zavala for organizing this and all of our volunteers for supporting us...we couldn't do it without you!

In February, the Friends will celebrate "Love You Library" week with author Patricia V. Davis, author of "*The Diva Doctrine*" on **Thursday, February 16th at 5:30 pm** with a member's only reception and author lecture at 6:30 pm (more on page 2-3). We will also hold our **Quarterly Member's Only Book Sale** and preview on **Thursday, February 23** (this will take the place of the "Last Thursday" book sale). This sale will feature lots of new selections for our members. If you're not currently a member, you may join at the door for half off the regular price! There are many benefits to membership in the Friends (most importantly helping out our library). Gift certificates are available if you want to give one to a special friend or neighbor for Valentine's Day.

And on **March 17th**, it's time for Mystery Night, the Friends annual "murder in the library" fundraiser. Set in the 1930's, "**Murder on Main Street**" will feature the talent of some local "notables", wineries and restaurants and a fabulous silent auction. **Tickets are available now** on-line at [www.woodlandfol.org](http://www.woodlandfol.org) or see order form on page 5. Bring a friend and save even more money!

Cheers for a fabulous new year - Diana Dearmore, President and Editor

A HAPPY  
NEW YEAR

### FOL UPCOMING EVENTS

The Friends' schedule  
of upcoming events and  
book sales.

#### January Events:

"Last Thursday" Book  
Sale - open to everyone!  
Thursday, January 26th  
4 pm - 6:30 pm



#### February Events:

"Love Your Library" Week  
Author Patricia V. Davis  
Thursday, February 16th  
5:30pm Member's Only  
reception  
6:30 pm Author lecture  
and book signing for  
general public

Member's Only Preview  
Book Sale  
Thursday, February 23rd  
4 pm - 6:30 pm

Quarterly book sale  
Saturday, February 25th  
9 am - 2 pm

NOTE: "Last Thursday"  
Book Sale is Member's  
Only

## Celebrate “Love Your Library” Week with Author Patricia V. Davis and the Friends on February 16

Please join the Friends of the Woodland Public Library in celebrating “Love Your Library” week. We will be celebrating with author (and diva), Patricia V. Davis, who will be visiting the Woodland Public Library on Thursday, February 16th to share her experiences and talk about her most recent book ***The Diva Doctrine: 16 Universal Principles Every Woman Needs to Know***.

Davis’ aim is to leave her spot of the world just a little bit better than it was before she got there. She focuses on that through her writing, teaching, philanthropic work, and the promoting of other people whom she believes have that same goal. She is the author of the award-winning ***Harlot’s Sauce: A Memoir of Food, Family, Love, Loss and Greece***, Adelphi University adopted ***Harlot’s Sauce*** as a reader for its Gender Studies program, and the ***Orange County Register*** called her a “Renaissance woman” for her writing. As founder and editor-in-chief of the non-partisan ***HS Radio***, e-magazine and podcast, she loves encouraging new writers and interviewing other “Renaissance people”, such as Neil deGrasse Tyson, Scott James, Jane Friedman, and more.

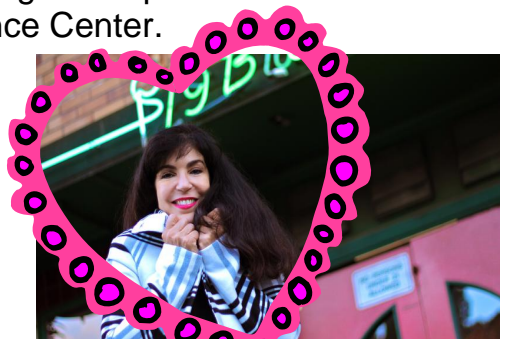
Patricia’s essays, opinion articles, political/social satire, and celebrity interviews have appeared in various newspapers and magazines nationally and internationally. Holding a Master’s Degree in Creative Writing and Education, she has taught, read, and conducted seminars extensively in various venues and schools throughout the US and overseas. She was named one of Top 25 Mentors for Young Women and Girls in both 2010 and 2011 by the Hot Mommas Project . Her latest work and first published fiction, "Chopin, Fiendishly" appears in ***Tales From the House Band: Volume I***. Patricia holds a Master's Degree in Creative Writing and Education.

If you’re a member of the Friends, we’d like to invite you to join us for an author’s reception at 5:30pm. You’ll have the opportunity to meet the author, purchase books\* in advance and share a few light appetizers with some Friends. If you’re not a member, we’d love to have you and you may join at the door (for half price). The general public is invited to hear Davis’ lecture, beginning at 6:30 pm in the Leake Conference Center.

We hope that you will be able to join us for this special author event. All attendees will be eligible for a special raffle prize. Event is part of the Friends of the Woodland Public Library author series.

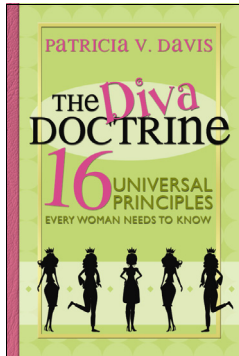
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\*The Avid Reader will be on site selling Davis’ books.

**AUTHOR PATRICIA V. DAVIS - INTERESTS & HOBBIES:** family, writing, friends, writing, reading, writing, weight-lifting, writing, gardening, writing, reading, writing, cooking, writing, skiing, writing...you get the idea!





## What's Being Said About *The Diva Doctrine*?



"Patricia V. Davis is the ultimate diva! Wise and witty, she enlightens the rest of us on how to remain true to ourselves, how to shine in a world that needs her beacons of hope like never before. Every young woman should have a copy of THE DIVA DOCTRINE."  
~New York Times Best-selling Author Brenda Novak

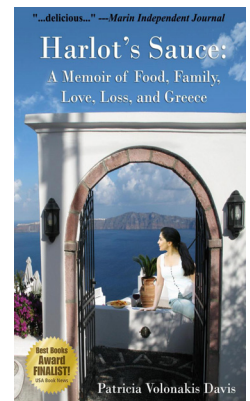
"Davis is like the cool aunt who tells it like it is. With two failed marriages and 50 years of life lessons under her belt, she's comfortable with her role as a horrible warning rather than a good example." ~ Desert News

"Ladies, grab your gold hoops, hairspray, little black dress or whatever else it takes to make you feel like a star, and don't forget your attitude. From Beyoncé to Rachel Berry, America has seen the rise and redefinition of the diva—a new role model for girls and women and a confident go-getter with all the sassy self-assurance of *Glee*'s Mercedes Jones and the fierceness worthy of Tyra Banks herself." ~ Justine McDaniel,

"Harlot's Sauce" is...

"...Delicious..." ~ Marin Independent Journal

When Patricia, the Italian-American, marries Gregori, the "gorgeous" Greek, she spends almost two decades in a sometimes tragic, sometimes uproarious pursuit of 'Happily-Ever-After'. In a last-ditch effort to make their relationship work, Patricia moves with Gregori to Greece, where he insists he must be in order to be happy. Once there, she discovers that though she might not save her marriage, she just might save herself. We follow the narrator, as she describes in self-deprecating and side-splitting detail how growing up first-generation, blue-collar, Italian-American influenced her choice of mate, the naiveté of her perceptions throughout their courtship, her hapless, yet hopeful years amongst her new Greek relatives, and her eventual self-actualization brought about by the intriguing time spent in her adopted country – Greece. With vivid descriptions of life in modern-day Greece, this memoir is both a tasty treat and an exhilarating sail on the Hellenic seas through xenophobia, dysfunctional family units, religious ravings, obsessive protocols, political disorder, European football, and fabulous food. As the Italians say, Buon Appetito! (Good Appetite!) As the Greeks say, Kalo Taxidi! (Good Voyage!)



### Special Contest - Win a \$5 book buck\*

What six languages are represented in the President's column?

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail reply to [woodlandfol@yahoo.com](mailto:woodlandfol@yahoo.com), mail to PO Box 545, Woodland, 95776 or drop your response off at the library, ATTN: FOL, Diana

\*No cash value; good at any Friends' book sale through June, 2012

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## Upcoming Book Sales for January and February

### January

January 26th: Thursday, 4pm - 6:30pm  
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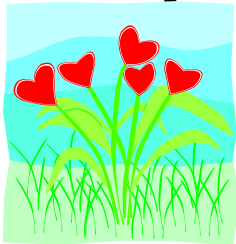


### February

February 23rd: Thursday, 4pm - 6:30pm  
**Members Only Preview\***

Be sure to get there early for the absolute best selection of our premium books.

February 25th: Saturday, 9 am - 2pm  
Quarterly Book Sale



**\*NOTE: "Last Thursday" book sale in February is for Member's Only.**

## ATTENTION BOOK ROOM VOLUNTEERS\* ...

If you want to sort books for the Friends and weren't able to make it to our sessions last year, don't worry. The book room will be open the first and third Saturday of each month, from 10 am - 1 pm.

Joe Zavala will be available there to help you and answer any questions that you may have.

That would make the next four Saturday training and work days be:

January 7 from 10 am to 1 pm

January 21 from 10 am to 1 pm

February 4 from 10 am to 1 pm

February 18 from 10 am to 1 pm

We'll review the guidelines for sorting and shelving our numerous book and magazine donations. Please RSVP by email to [woodlandfol@yahoo.com](mailto:woodlandfol@yahoo.com) or leave a message on our phone (530-666-0545) and let us know if you'll be attending or if there is another time you'd like to help.

**\*Due to security restrictions, all sorters must be current members of the Friends.**

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**The Friends of the  
Woodland Public Library  
Present:**

## MURDER ON MAIN ST

DATE: Saturday  
March 17, 2012  
TIME: Doors open: 6 pm  
Play begins: 7 pm  
PRICE: \$35 each; \$60 pair (Non-member)  
\$30 each; \$50 pair (FOL member)

**Featuring: Local Wineries & Restaurants  
Fabulous Silent Auction  
"Ace Detective" prize  
Live Music and more...**

**All proceeds benefit the Woodland Public Library.**



**Ticket information:  
(530)666-0545 or  
[www.woodlandfol.org](http://www.woodlandfol.org)**

Mystery Night Play "Murder on Main Street" March 17, 2012

Ticket Order Form

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

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Member: \_\_\_\_\_ # Single tickets @ \$30 each

\_\_\_\_\_ # Pair tickets @ \$50 pair

Non-member: \_\_\_\_\_ # Single ticket @ \$35 each

\_\_\_\_\_ # Pair tickets @ \$60 pair

Please mail check and form to: PO Box 545 Woodland, CA 95776

**NOTE: No tickets will be mailed, but will be confirmed by email or by phone; your name will be on the guest list at the door.**



## MYSTERY NIGHT SILENT AUCTION 2012 UPDATE

Fabulous gifts are already rolling in for the 2012 silent auction; picture yourself winning the bid on four park passes for a family adventure to Disneyland. Or perhaps you have the perfect spot to display a San Francisco 49ers Head Coach Jim Harbaugh Laser Autographed Football. This Limited Edition Commemorative item is not available to the general public. Only 500 of these footballs were created. There will also be prime location Sacramento River Cats tickets going to the highest bidder.

The silent auction committee is hard at work identifying potential donations which will make this year's silent auction a great success offering something for everyone's budget. If you have a gift or service you would like to donate, contact

**Karen Shepard at 662-5237**  
([email:karenshepard@pacbell.net](mailto:karenshepard@pacbell.net)) or **Maryellen Mackenzie**  
**at 666-5096** ([email: dmimimackenzie@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dmimimackenzie@sbcglobal.net)).

We would also love to have any gently used baskets you may wish to donate.

Thanks - Karen and Maryellen

## Brown Bag Book Club

Ever wish you could share that great book you are reading? Then the Brown Bag Book Club is for you. Join us and share a current favorite or an old treasure with other book lovers or just come and enjoy the conversation. Light refreshments will be served.

The first Wednesday meeting is an informal discussion about books that everyone has read and recommends. Please bring a few of your favorites you' like to recommend. The third Wednesday meeting is a discussion around a selected book. Books are selected by the Brown Bag members from among the recommendations.

This is a great way to meet some other 'readers', make new friends and get some fabulous ideas on future books to read. It is free to join. **Meetings are on the first and third Wednesday of each month from 12 noon until 1 pm** in the Leake Center Conference Room at the library.

## Adult Literacy Programs

- Inmate Tutoring Programs: Monroe Detention Facility and Juvenile Hall
- Voter Literacy
- *No Barriers*: Working with adults with developmental disabilities
- Strength Through Education Program (S.T.E.P.): Tutoring homeless residents at the Yolo Wayfarer Center.

The programs are staffed by three part-time staff members (Inmate Coordinator, S.T.E.P. Administrator and an Administrative Assistant) as well as the Literacy Coordinator.

Overall, the program consists of 70 volunteer tutors serving 100 adult learners in addition to 17 student/tutor pairs in *No Barriers*. Inmate Literacy has produced 164 GED graduates, and in one year alone, S.T.E.P. program served over 500 homeless residents.

For more information, please contact Literacy Service at 530-661-5987 or E-mail Literacy Coordinator at [sue.bigelow@cityofwoodland.org](mailto:sue.bigelow@cityofwoodland.org)

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involved with a fun bunch of people AND  
support a worthwhile cause, direct them  
to the Friends! There are one time and  
on-going opportunities available.

Thank you.

Thank you for your generous donations!!! Please note that we do NOT accept:  
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*Old Textbooks/teacher's manuals Cassette/VHS tapes (music or books)*

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you and your family  
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