



Friends to Friends

Newsletter of the Friends
of the Woodland Public
Library

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From the President's Desk

It's time to 'gear up' for the holiday hustle and bustle which is right around the corner. We have a several exciting events and book sales that are coming up soon.

But first, I'd like to thank everyone who voted in this year's "Best of Yolo County". **The Friends of the Woodland Library were voted as having the (second) best bookstore in Yolo County!** We have been working hard to try and establish some regular hours and to keep our book room stocked and organized so we can provide our members and customers with a wide variety of books, both old and new. It is nice to be recognized for our efforts. **We are currently open the last Thursday of the month (4-6:30pm)** along with 4 special quarterly Saturday sales. We are looking to expand the open hours and are thinking about adding a Saturday to our schedule. Of course, this means more opportunities for you to volunteer to help us out in staffing the expanded hours. We would love to hear your feedback on this.

On **November 1st**, we will be participating for the third year in a collaborative effort with Woodland Community College in a "**Dia de los Muertos**" event. Last year, we were recognized by WCC for our efforts in reaching out the Hispanic community. This is a global holiday celebrated in many different ways, by many different cultures under many names. It is a two day event that sets aside time to remember, appreciate and honor our loved ones through music, art and community. This year we are hosting an event focusing on families, young adults and children and will be held in the **Leake Center from 4-6 pm**. More details are on page 2 and 3. I hope that you will be able to join us in this special celebration.

We are also getting ready for the holidays. In November, our "Last Thursday" book sale has been moved up a week (to Nov 17) because of the Thanksgiving holiday. This is a time to spend with family and friends in a 'feasting frenzy', so don't forget to stop by the Friends' book room and pick up a couple of books to keep you company in your travels and over the holiday (and don't forget the cookbooks, which will be on special to help you with the menu).

The December quarterly book sale will be held the same day as "The Music and Magic of Christmas" holiday parade, Sat. Dec 10. from 9am to 2pm. The member's only preview is on Dec. 8th from 4-6pm, so get there early for the best selection. As we all know, books make the best gifts during the holidays.

Have a joyous and safe holiday season, and don't forget to slow down and read a good book - Diana Dearmore, President and Editor

FOL UPCOMING EVENTS

The Friends' schedule
of upcoming events and
book sales.

November Events:

"Day of the
Dead"



Nov 1, 4pm-6pm

Leake Center

Guest Children's Author
Francisco X. Alarcón

November Book Sales

"Last Thursday" Book
Sale - open to everyone!

Thursday, November 17th
4 pm - 6:30 pm

NOTE: This is being held
one week early due to the
Thanksgiving holiday.



December Events:

Member's Only Preview

Thursday, December 8th
4 pm - 6:30 pm

"Holiday Parade"

Quarterly book sale

Saturday, December 10th
9 am - 2 pm

Book Sale

"Last Thursday" Book
Sale - open to everyone!

Thursday, December 22nd
4 pm - 6:30 pm



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“A Poetic Celebration of the Day of the Dead”

By Val Klum, Publicity

The Friends of the Woodland Public Library, in collaboration with Woodland Community College (WCC) and Taller Arte del Nuevo Amanecer (TANA) will be hosting a two day celebration in honor of "Día de los Muertos" ("Day of the Dead"). This will be the third collaboration for this event, but for the first time the festivities will be held over a two day period. These will be family celebrations meant to honor loved ones and to create a sense of belonging through culture and art for everyone.

On Tuesday, November 1st, from 4-6pm, the Friends of the Woodland Public Library will be hosting "Día de los Angelitos", in the Leake Center at the Woodland Public Library. There will be children's arts and crafts for everyone to participate in, a raffle and free children's books. Food will be catered by Silvina's Basket. There will also be several altar displays from local groups. **Guitarist David Campos, from the band, "Zapato Viejo", will be playing from 4 pm until 5:30 pm.**

At 5:30 pm, Francisco X. Alarcón, award winning Chicano poet and educator, will be presenting, "A Poetic Celebration of the Day of the Dead". Sr. Alarcón is the author of twelve volumes of poetry and the winner of three Pura Belpré Honor Awards for his bilingual books of poems for children. His latest book is "*Ce•Uno•One: Poems for the New Sun*" (Swan Scythe Press 2010). Alarcón has been a finalist nominated for Poet Laureate of California on two occasions. He will be bringing some of his books and will be available to sign them.

Families, children, youth and students in the community are especially encouraged to attend this artistic, musical and poetic celebration being held at the Woodland Public Library.

On Wednesday, November 2nd, Woodland Community College and TANA will be continuing the festivities. From 12:00pm to 8:00pm, WCC Community Room will be open for the public to view over ten colorful celebration altars. Starting at 6 pm, the Cross-Cultural Studies at WCC will hosting a celebration program featuring Woodland Folklorico dancers, singers of Voz y Sentimiento, musician Orion Chacon Hurst and student poet Francisco Sanchez. There will be a raffle, food and arts and crafts and live coverage by UNIVISION.

Also on Wednesday at 5:30pm, TANA will have an opening reception featuring community altars and performance. TANA is a collaborative partnership between the Department of Chicana/o Studies at the University of California, Davis and Woodland. TANA cultivates the cultural and artistic life of the community, promoting an awareness of cultural and human values. They view the arts as an essential element to a community's development and well-being. The reception will be held at their studio location, 1224 Lemen Avenue in Woodland.

All of the events are free and open to the public. For more information regarding the children's events being held at the Woodland Public Library Leake Center (250 First Street), please visit the Friends' website at www.woodlandfol.org, call 530-666-0545 or email woodlandfol@yahoo.com. For events being held at the Woodland Community College, email mmoreno@yccd.edu or call 530-661-6217 and for the TANA reception, email Noemi Castro at ncastro@ucdavis.edu, visit tallerartedelnuevoamanecer.wordpress.com or call 530-402-1065.



"A Poetic Celebration of the Day of the Dead"
Presented by Chicano Poet Francisco X. Alarcón

November 1, 2011

Woodland Public Library Leake Center

4 - 6 pm

Sr. Alarcón will make his presentation at 5:30 pm

Día de los Inocentes * Día de los Angelitos

Come and learn about the "Día de los Muertos" celebration. Fun for the whole family. There will be:

Children's Arts and Crafts

Raffle and free children's books

Altar Displays

Live guitar music by David Campos of Zapato Viejo

Food by Silvina's Basket

Presented by: Friends of the Woodland Public Library

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Upcoming Book Sales for November and December

November

November 17th: Thursday, 4pm - 6:30pm

Open to everyone.



NOTE: Last Thursday of the month sale was moved up a week due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

December

December 8th: Thursday, 4pm - 6:30pm

Members Only Preview

Be sure to get there early for the absolute best selection of our premium books. Gift books will be on special - they make great stocking stuffers!

December 10th: Saturday, 9 am - 2pm

"Holiday Parade" Quarterly Sale

December 22nd: Thursday, 4pm - 6:30pm

Open to everyone.

NOTE: Last Thursday of the month sale was moved up a week due to the holiday schedule.



ATTENTION BOOK ROOM VOLUNTEERS* ...

We held a book sorting/training session (and work day) on October 15th. Thanks to everyone who showed up and helped. We had a lot of people and it was a very fun and productive day!

If you want to sort books for the Friends and weren't able to make it to our sessions in August or October, don't worry. The book room will be open the first and third Saturday of the month, from 10 am - 1 pm for sorting and training. Joe Zavala will be available there to help you and answer any questions that you may have. That would make the next 4 Saturday training and work days be:

November 5 from 10 am to 1 pm

November 19 from 10 am to 1 pm

December 3 from 10 am to 1 pm

December 17 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 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.**



Headlines by Heather

The holidays are quickly approaching. With all the hustle and bustle of this time of year, don't forget to stop by the Library. Using the Library saves you money!

Need a holiday recipe for a special gathering? We've got cookbooks galore! Need ideas for holiday gifts? We've got craft books for everyone! Don't like watching football after the big meal? No problem, come to the Library and pick up a DVD! Traveling over the river and through the woods? Get a book on CD to help the time pass quickly!

If you can't find what you're looking for on our shelves, make sure you stop by the Reference desk and talk to one of our Librarians. We can request items from all the Sacramento libraries. If the item isn't available locally, we can request items from across the country!

Library staff is busy gearing up for holidays too. There's a Harvest Party on October 27th and planning has begun for a bilingual Santa visit in December. The elves.... er, staff is also already planning holiday decorations that everyone should enjoy.

As we near Thanksgiving, it would be remiss not to express thanks to the Friends of the Woodland Public Library. The good works you do are so very appreciated by the public (and the staff too). The Friend's commitment to the Library is truly something the entire community has to be thankful for. Now, more than ever, as we look toward the future and focus on finding long term funding solutions for the Library, the Friends are important for the present and future of the Library. Thank you so much!!!

Heather Muller, Library Services Director

Who are the Spinetinglers?*

Special by Marcia Cary

We're not sure how the name originated, so if you know let us know.

We are volunteers who repair books for the library. We meet twice a month to fix books so they can be out there circulating. We like to work with our hands and we do the best job we can to make a book a little sturdier. We fix tears and dog-eared corners. Sometimes we have to do radical surgery: take the whole book apart and put in a new spine.

With each damaged book we clean and assess the damage, figure out what to repair and in what order.

We try to repair everything, no matter how damaged. Sometimes we put our heads together and brainstorm a solution because all the books and videos don't always provide an answer.

Spinetinglers started over 20 years ago. We fixed books for a long time then disbanded for a number of reasons. When I expressed interest in starting again, I was asked to organize a group. The difference for me is that this time around I need to learn how to do everything so I can teach it, whereas the first time I repaired just the things I liked best, so I've had a lot to learn and I'm still learning.

We Spinetinglers feel really happy when we can send books back to the shelves.

If you are neat, good with your hands and think this sounds like fun, you can leave your name and contact information at the front desk, 666-0545 or e-mail us at woodlandfol.org

*The Friends of the Library fund the Spinetinglers' supplies.



Looking for Mystery Night Committee Volunteers

This year's Mystery Night will be held on March 17, 2012 which is also St. Patrick's Day. The title of the production will be "Murder on Main Street" set in a location very familiar to you (along with a few well-known faces) .

We are looking for committee members to help us with the planning and coordinating of this event, which is our main fundraising event of the year. There is a preliminary meeting scheduled on November 19, 10:00 am in the Leake Center. If you would like to attend, please email us at woodlandfol@yahoo.com or leave us a message (530-666-0545) and we'll get back to you.

This is a very fun event (and for a good cause) and you're guaranteed to have a good time!

MYSTERY NIGHT SILENT AUCTION 2012

Yes, it's true that Mystery Night 2012 is still a few months away, but it's not too early to be thinking about the wonderful array of silent auction items that will be available for your bidding.

Also, you'll have the opportunity to donate silent auction items. In the past, member donations have included tickets to a River Cats game, hand-crafted jewelry, paintings, quilts, baseball and football memorabilia, book sets and more. We would also appreciate receiving baskets (used is fine, but in good condition) for our auction items.

Last year, the silent auction, strongly supported by FOL members and the community, garnered approximately \$4,000.00. If you would like to help with the silent auction or have an item to donate, please contact co-chairs Maryellen Mackenzie, 666-5096, dmimackenzie@sbcglobal.net or Karen Shepard, 662-5237, karenshepard@pacbell.net



Community Advocacy by Diane Adams

In the last FOL newsletter, I mentioned that the Woodland Public Library Board of Trustees had requested that the City Council approve a ballot measure for a dedicated one eighth cent sales tax, dedicated only to the library, which would take effect when Measure V expires in 2014. If 3 of 5 Council Members approve inclusion on the ballot, it would require 2/3 voter approval to pass. To date, the City Council has not put the Board's request on a meeting agenda and City officials are still trying to determine whether, if approved by the Council, the measure would be on the June or November, 2012 ballot. We hope to have a decision about this in the next few weeks.

We know that the community is weary of bad budget news and of being asked in nearly every election to approve incremental taxes and fees. That is why we will need your help in the coming months to educate voters and to ensure that the extremely high bar of a "super majority" can be attained. A dedicated one eighth cent sales tax would serve as a more permanent library funding structure and would ensure that future public officials could not divert those funds to meet budget shortfalls in other areas. Stay tuned for future updates on this important topic.

On a different note, FOL Board Secretary Karen Shepard and I met with FOL Board members from the Winters and Davis Public Libraries to learn about their goals and activities. We got some good ideas about what these other groups are doing, including outreach to the Spanish-speaking community and offering kits called Books for Babies, that could be distributed to families welcoming a new baby. We came away from these meetings with new ideas as well as a renewed appreciation for our own energetic Friends' Board members and volunteers. Thanks to all of you who support the Woodland Public Library!

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*If you know of anyone who wants to get
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.

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Please make sure that your books are not mildewed, smelly or damp - we can't sell them and have to pay to take them away. If you wouldn't want to buy it, chances are no one else will either.

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Happy Holidays to
you and your family
from the Friends of
the Woodland Library