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Newsletter of the Friends of the Woodland Public Library

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From the President's Desk

Retha Robertson

Fall is in the air with cooler temperatures, falling leaves, the very welcome rain, and the time change. Winter will be here in just a few short weeks.

Did you attend the Murder Mystery Night and Dinner presented in a new format in the Library? If not, you missed a very fun evening. THANK YOU to those who attended, the actors (leaders of the community), the donors of the silent and live auction items, those who bid, and those who worked so hard to make it happen. We took in almost \$5,000!!

Planning has already started on what kind of murder mystery event will be next. This is your opportunity to step up and help plan by serving on one of the many committees to be formed.

Two exciting author events have been planned in the next two months. On Tuesday, November 15th, Lorraine Rominger will be speaking about her book, *The Rangity Tango Kids*, growing up in the Winters area. Members only reception will start at 6 p.m. and program to begin at 6:30. The program and book signing will be open to the public. She will have copies of her book available for purchase and signing.

The author event on Saturday, Dec. 10th starting at 1:30 p.m. with Joan Sisson, a local Woodland resident, will be a bit different. This program will take place in the Library in the area around the fireplace. Joan will do some readings from her books, be available for questions and answers and have copies of her books available for purchase. Nice gift possibilities for children, teens and adults.

Book sales were suddenly halted in October because of a flooding problem. Repairs are being made and we hope to have book sales back on schedule in November. With the holidays approaching, there won't be many left in 2016.

Wishing you the happiest of holidays.

- Retha

"Make every day special. Own it. Enjoy it. Bask in the glory of life. Appreciate the gift of your own life."—Donna Fargo

FOL EVENTS

November Events:

Author event with Lorraine Rominger and The Rangity Tango Kids Saturday, Nov 15 6 pm Members Only 6:30 pm Public presentation

November Book Sales

Second Saturday
Saturday, November 12th
9 am - 12 noon
"Last Thursday" Book Sale*
*NOTE: This is being
CANCELLED due to the
Thanksgiving holiday.



December Events:

Meet local kids (and adult) author
Joan Sisson for a book reading - bring the kids!

Saturday, December 10th 1:30 pm In front of the library fireplace. Books will be available for purchase.

November Book Sales

"Santa's Workshop" Holiday Book Sale Saturday, December 10th 9 am - 2 pm

Note: Extended hours for this sale. There will be lots of book specials and gift sets available. Members will receive special pricing.

FREE BOOKS???

During the December book sale, trade in canned goods for books and help our local food banks.



Save the Date: Tues, Nov 15 Meet local author Lorraine Rominger The Rangity Tango Kids

Local author Lorraine Rominger will speak at the Friends of the Library's (FOL) Author Event on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 in the Leake Room at the Woodland Public Library, 250 First Street. There will be a members-only "meet and greet" reception with some snacks being served at 6:00 pm. Come early and visit with Lorraine. This will be followed by the (free) public presentation at 6:30 pm in which the author will speak about her book, *The Rangity Tango Kids*.

The Rangity Tango Kids is the story of a fifth-generation, German Catholic farm family in 1950s and 1960s California, narrated by the eldest of 17 grandchildren. Born into a loving, hard-working, highly competitive family, and united by a strong faith, every day was an adventure growing up on a bucolic American farm, a way of life that is rapidly disappearing. The land provided her, her siblings and cousins with a sense of place, an upbringing steeped in rituals and traditions that was in stark contrast with the values and preoccupations of the outside world. When the Rangity Tango Kids' coming-of-age rebellion ran wild, they were often tangled up in the family's strict morals and values. Regardless of the situation or conflict, the kids were surrounded by a swarm of loving relatives who put their arms around them and stuck together, no matter what.

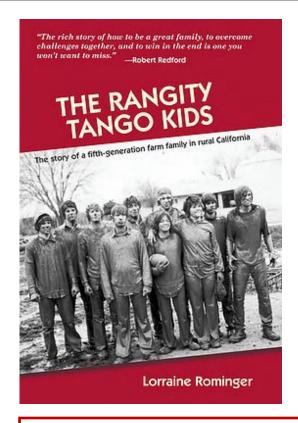
Lorraine Rominger grew up in Winters and attended California State University, Sacramento. She worked as a model and instructor, eventually becoming director of the John Casablanca Elite Modeling School in San Francisco. In addition, she has worked in the entertainment industry in San Francisco, France, Los Angeles, and New York. Currently Lorraine is the Deputy Director of the Goldman Environmental Prize in San Francisco, the world's largest award for grassroots environmental leaders fighting to protect the Earth's natural resources.

Please join us on November 15 to meet Lorraine and discover more about this local author and her memoir. Books will be available for purchase and signing. For more information about the author and her book, visit her website: www.lorrainerominger.com.

FOL membership applications and renewals will be available at the door. New members are always welcome. See the FOL website (www.woodlandfol.org) or like our page on Facebook (www.facebook.com/woodlandfol) for more information.

We hope to see you there! We will be celebrating home, family and tradition.

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Comments from the Critics:

"The of Rominger's cadence style soundly narrative is evocative of the world she brings to life in The Rangity Tango Kids. Growing up on a California farm ridina horses and motorcycles, Rominger figured out where her heart was. The rich story of how to be a great family, to overcome challenges together, and to win in the end is one you won't want to miss."

-ROBERT REDFORD

"From the ground it looks like a falcon flies in circles. It actually rises flying over the same territory to a new, higher level. Rominger's life and charming book are like this. She was born to a traditional, religious, farm family with the kind of old-fashioned values and principles politicians rant about and rarely practice. Lorraine's story melds the best of true conservatism, neither Right nor Left, with a huge human heart. I loved this book."

-PETER COYOTE



Have a joyous and safe holiday season, and don't forget to slow down and read a good book.

Lot's of special deals for member's only at the book sales!



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Upcoming Book Sales for November and December

November

November 12th: Saturday, 9 am - 12 noon*

November 24th: CANCELLED*

*NOTE: Last Thursday of the month sale cancelled due to Thanksgiving holiday.



December

December 10th: Saturday, 9 am - 2 pm**

**NOTE: December Saturday has extended sale hours for the "Santa's Workshop Parade" and the "Last Thursday" sale is cancelled due to the holidays.



Free books*??!! Where do I sign up???



At the December 10 holiday book sale, we are collecting canned food for the local Food Closet and Food Pantry, which provide free food to those in need in the Woodland Community. During this Saturday sale, each can of food you donate will qualify you for a free (yes, FREE!!) book*.

When you donate at the designated area of the book room, you will receive a voucher for your free books. When you check out, you will then get your free books* deducted from your purchases!!

Happy Holidays and thanks for helping those in need.



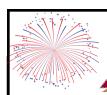
*Good for books valued at \$1 or less; Donation cannot be applied to gift sets. No glass please; protein items sorely needed.

SAVE THE DATE: Tuesday, May 4th

Big Day of Giving. Stay tuned for details. Contact us if you would like to help with this event.

Happy New Year from your FOL Board!





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Yolo Youth Rally!

The Yolo Youth Rally was a two day conference held at Woodland Community College on Saturday September 24th and Sunday September 25th which ended up with the students wanting more! All 8th-12th grade students from Yolo County were invited to a free leadership conference.

The Yolo Youth Rally provided students with many unique opportunities to become informed citizens. 80 students from schools all over Yolo County attended the Rally, where they learned leadership and life-skills from presenters who volunteered their time to share the expertise and knowledge

Students learned about voting and the elections process directly from the Yolo County's Elections Office and Women League of Voters in a strictly non-partisan environment. Information was presented in a neutral manner to create a safe space for youth to form their own opinions. Students participated in a mock election using actual ballots and voting booths.

Jesse Salinas, Yolo County Registrar of Voters, engaged youth in conversations about the importance of voting and civic participation. According to Salinas, "Engaging and empowering our Yolo County youth is a sincere passion of mine. My goal is to encourage this diverse group to be active in their community and to ensure that their voices are heard both today and in the future."

The Youth Rally featured a variety of workshops and activities where students learned about essential life-skills. Various organizations and companies volunteered to lead workshops on topics such as the job application process, money management, conflict resolution, college life, sexual health, self-defense, and mindfulness through yoga.

Armando Castaneda, Teen Advisory Board (TAB) member, describes the motivation behind these workshops, "These life skills and the Yolo Youth Rally are what teens need, the opportunity to learn things not taught in school."

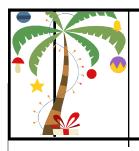
Castaneda, along with other teens, designed and provided feedback for the Youth Rally Flyer that was distributed throughout Yolo County. The teens decided it was important to note on the flyer that the Youth Rally is paid for by tax-payer dollars, "So that parents are aware that they are paying for it and more teens attend."

The Youth Rally was planned through the collective efforts of local teens from the Woodland Public Library's Teen Advisory Board, Yolo County Elections Office, Yolo County Office of Education, Woodland Community College and UC Davis Early Academic Outreach Program.

More information and pictures may be found at https://yoloyouthrally.com/blog/







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Book Room Update

Greetings from the Stacks! We are still recovering from our "flood", where a broken sprinkler head outside the book room door gushed water down the steps and into the book room. Staff areas were also affected. We have gotten the tiles replaced and are still short on the bookcases...but the sale must go on!

So, that being said, we on a "holiday" schedule through December (dates and times on page 4) and will be back to our regular book sale schedule in January.

There will only be one sale in each November and December. We will have LOT'S of specially priced gift sets and holiday books. **Member's will receive special pricing**.

We will be holding several work days and training days to get our book room sorted, weeded and tidied to start the new year in late December and early January. Please email us at woodlandfol@yahoo.com if you are interested in helping in the book room with the sorting and/or shelving.

Thanks so much to all of our loyal volunteers that help us in the book room sorting and stocking and also to those members that work at the book sales counting and bagging all of the customer books.

Thanks for supporting the Friends. E-mail us at woodlandfol@yahoo.com



Better World Books....another resource for the Friends and you!

One of the programs that the Friends participates in is through Better World Books. If you have never heard of this organization, they work with libraries (and their "Friends") in helping with resell, reuse and recycle discarded/donated books.

Check out their website when looking for books to purchase or just to learn more about what they do. We will be featuring them and how the Friends are participating in their book programs (and saving tons of books from the landfill) in an upcoming newsletter.



http://www.betterworldbooks.com/

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Support us and find all of your holiday essentials including gifts, decorations, and more.

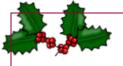
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The holidays are approaching and you can support the Friends of the Woodland Public Library while you are busy shopping for gifts, decorations, and more. Remember to shop at smile.amazon.com, and the Friends of the Woodland Public Library can increase its AmazonSmile donations.

#StartWithaSmile at <u>smile.amazon.com/ch/94-2717594</u> for your holiday gifts and Amazon donates to Friends of the Woodland Public Library! Start shopping today!



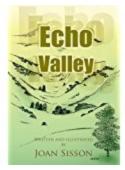
Meet Local Author: Joan Sisson Saturday, December 10 at 1:30 PM

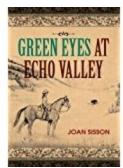
Local author Joan Sisson will speak at the Friends of the Library's Author Event on Saturday, December 10, 2016 at 1:30pm in front of the fireplace in the Woodland Public Library, 250 First Street. This event is free and open to the public.

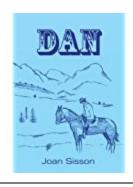
Growing up in California, with a father working in agriculture and the national parks, Joan lived "under the redwoods" in her early years. During her school years in Kansas, she enjoyed riding her mare along country roads and hearing meadowlarks sing. Joan has contributed articles to Western Horseman and Country magazines, is a former parent-helper of the 4-H Horse program, and was a docent at Sunol Regional Wilderness in California.

She is the author of horse books for teens: Echo Valley, Green Eyes at Echo Valley, and Dan; books for young children: Marigold, One Little Heifer, and The Jesse Tree; Smiles, a book of short stories for all ages; and A Life in Each Decade of the 20th Century, for adult readers.

Please join us on December 10 to meet Joan Sisson and discover more about this local author and her stories. Books will be available for purchase and signing.









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Happy Holidays to you and your family. We are thankful for your support!