



Friends to Friends

Newsletter of the Friends
of the Woodland Public
Library

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Message from the President

Thanks for your support throughout 2014! We were able to share many children's books at various events, host several author events, and successfully financially sustain the library. We are excited for a new year filled with authors focused on diverse themes.

Also, we encourage you to volunteer, donate, and attend the annual Mystery Night on Friday, March 27, 2015 at the Library! This is our liveliest clue-style events and fundraiser of the year featuring some of the local political figures in drama. If you'd like to help, then save the date for the first Mystery Night planning meeting on **Saturday, January 17th at 9:30 am** in the Leake Center.

For updates on this and other events, please make sure to visit the Friends of the Woodland Public Library website at: <http://www.woodlandfol.org/>

We look forward to seeing you at the various events and book sales at the Library. Thanks for your support!

- Melissa Moreno, President



From the Editor's Desk

It's the beginning of a new year (WHAT!!) and the Friends' have many exciting events and activities planned in the upcoming months.

Back by popular demand, we will have a book room workday in January. **Book sales schedule and work room work day schedule is on page 3.**

Mystery Night, 2015 will be held on Friday, March 27th. The planning has started and **there will be a kick-off meeting held on January 17th** for those interested in helping. More information is on **page 3.**

"Love Your Library" during February with the Friends. There will be special activities and opportunities during the month for Friends' members - including a free book for current members at the February book sales. The Friends will also host an **author event on February 7th**, starting with a **member's only reception at 5:30 pm. Details on page 7.** There will be member's specials and a Valentine's Day free raffle at the book sale on February 14th, **details on page 3.**


We are always looking for volunteers to help us with programming and special events. If you have some time, we would love to have you join us in helping out with "Love Your Library" events or Mystery Night.

Please email us at woodlandfol@yahoo.com or leave us a message at 530-666-0545.

- Diana Dearmore, Editor

January Events:

"Second Saturday" Sale
Saturday, Jan. 10th
9 am - 12 noon

Mystery Night Planning
Saturday, Jan. 17th
9:30 am Leake Center
Join us in planning our
Murder in the Library
mystery night. 
Refreshments will be
provided.

Book Room Work Day
Saturday, Jan. 24th
10:30 am - 12 noon
Come and learn about
our book room, how to
sort and help us with
some organizing
projects. Refreshments
will be provided.

"Last Thursday" Sale
Thursday, Jan. 29th
4 pm - 6:30 pm



"Love Your Library" February Events:

Author Cindy Sample
Saturday, Feb 7th

"Hang onto your saddle! It's
going to be a wild ride."

9:00 am Member's reception
9:30 am Author's lecture
More details on page 7.

"Second Saturday" Sale
Saturday, Feb. 14th
9 am - 12 noon
Member's specials and
Valentine's raffle!

"Last Thursday" Sale
Thursday, Feb 26th
4 pm - 6:30 pm



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Woodland Public Library Board of Trustees News

The year 2014 can be described as a time of transition and exciting developments for the Woodland Public Library Board of Trustees (BOT). Bud Goding, who began serving on the BOT in 1993, termed out as a board member this past June. He was probably the longest serving BOT in the library's history. He will be devoting his new-found time to his passions of fishing, hunting, traveling and enjoying his grandchildren. Bud served on the board through the library's high and low economic periods. He is to be credited for raising awareness and educating City government about the important role the BOT plays in overseeing the library administration. He was an advocate for the financial interests of the library and became well known to City Council members in that role. Bud credits his good fortune on the BOT in working with such outstanding Library Service Directors as Paul Miller, Sandra Briggs, and current director, Greta Galindo. He credits the Friends of the Library (FOL), in particular, long term member Diana Dearmore, for garnering community support and activism on behalf of library programs.

The BOT is forever grateful to Bud for his wisdom and experience as he passes the torch to new BOT members. **Bud will be recognized at the February 3rd City Council meeting for his contribution to the library** and service on the BOT. The FOL is invited to attend.

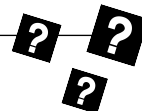
As a result of the passage of Measure J and subsequent funding, new and exciting youth-focused programs will be introduced at the library beginning in January 2015. A teen librarian will be hired, the Leake Center will again be open for community use, and the library hours will be extended. It is exciting for the BOT to be working with Library Services Director Greta Galindo as new programs and services unfold.

Beginning in 2015, the BOT will begin meeting twice a month due to the number of items which require its attention and action. **Meetings are scheduled the first Wednesday of the month at 5:30 P.M. and the third Wednesday of the month at 4:00 P.M.** All meetings, with the exception of those which are closed, are open to the public and take place in the library conference room.

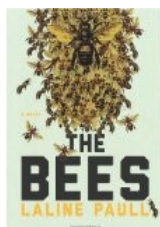
The BOT thanks the Woodland community for its patronage and loyalty to our beautiful and dynamic Carnegie library and to wish everyone happy and satisfying reading in 2015.



Murder Mystery Silent Auction



We are looking for any new or gently used items that you would like to donate for the silent auction and raffle portions of the Murder Mystery on Friday, March 27th. You may drop them off at the main desk in the library, or email us and we will pick them up. Our e-mail is woodlandfol@yahoo.com. Thank you.



Book Recommendation ~ *The Bees*, by Laline Paull
Review by: Diane Adams

A Goodreads review of *The Bees* described it as "*The Handmaid's Tale* meets *The Hunger Games*." I didn't find *The Bees* as bleak as that, but rather, fascinating, captivating, sensual and inspiring. Plus, I learned a lot about the culture and politics of a bee hive. The story follows Flora 717, a sanitation worker and member of the lowest caste in her hive, where work and sacrifice are the highest virtues and the beloved Queen, the only religion. But Flora, while unflaggingly loyal and dedicated to the Queen and her hive, is not like any ordinary bee. She harbors fierce desires--to fly out of the hive to collect pollen, to be free and to question authority and the rigid rules of the hive, even as she risks her own life to do so. I will never look at bees in the same way! In the words of the Goodreads reviewer: "*The Bees* is thrilling, suspenseful and spectacularly imaginative . . . it gives us a dazzling young heroine." I wholeheartedly agree!



Upcoming Book Sales for January

Jan. 12: Saturday, 9 am - 12 noon

Jan. 29: Thursday, 4 pm - 6:30 pm

Upcoming Book Sales for February: "Love Your Library"*

Feb. 14: Saturday, 9 am - 12 noon

Valentine's Day deals and a raffle for Friends' members.

Feb. 26: Thursday, 4 pm - 6:30 pm

*All current members in February will be entitled to one free book of their choice at any of our February book sales as our way of saying "Thanks for being a Friend".

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If you would like to volunteer to work at one of these book sales, please contact Rebecca Bunn by email (woodlandfol@yahoo.com) or by phone (530) 666-0545. Thanks for your support in making our book sales successful. We couldn't do it without you!

Have you ever wanted to work behind the scenes?? We need your help...



The Friends of the Woodland Public Library is gearing up for the fun-filled Mystery Night in the Woodland Public Library on Friday March 27th from 6pm to 9pm. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year with local wines, great food, silent and live auction items, and being entertained by a "whodunit" play. You won't want to miss this great community event with all proceeds supporting the Woodland Public Library.

We can certainly use your unique talents for Mystery Night! There are tasks large and small and something for everyone who is interested in supporting this Friends' event.

A planning meeting is scheduled for the morning of **Saturday January 17th starting at 9:30 am** in the Leake Center, 250 1st Street. **Please contact us by e-mail: woodlandfol@yahoo.com or by phone 530-666-0545) if you are interested in volunteering and attending the meeting.**

ATTENTION BOOK ROOM VOLUNTEERS*...

If you've ever wanted to learn a little about what goes on behind the scenes to keep the book room organized and you want to learn to sort books for the Friends, we are holding a training session on January 24th from 10:30 am to 12 noon. It's a lot of fun and a chance to meet other Friends. Refreshments will be provided.

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. **If there is another time you'd like to help, please contact us to make arrangements.**

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



Love Your Library!

Come and help the Friends celebrate "Love Your Library" month. We will be having an **author** event featuring **Cindy Sample**, on **Saturday, February 7th** in the Leake Center. There will be a **members only reception starting at 9 am**, with **general seating opening at 9:30 am** when Cindy will make her presentation.

One thing that we will be doing to recognize our members in February is that every current member that attends the book sales in February will receive a free book of their choice, not to mention other special pricing! Please let the team checking you out know that you're on the membership list, and you will get your free book and other benefits!

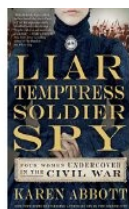
Thanks for supporting your wonderful Woodland Public Library.



Get to know YOUR Library Board of Trustees (BOT)

As a municipal library in the State of California, the Woodland Public Library is governed under the State Education Code. Library Board members are appointed by the Mayor with consent of the City Council and serve terms of three years. Beginning in 2015, the BOT meetings are scheduled the **first Wednesday of the month at 5:30 P.M.** and the **third Wednesday of the month at 4:00 P.M.** All meetings take place in the library conference room in the Leake Conference Room of the Woodland Public Library, located at 250 First Street in Woodland. Changes to the normal schedule are reflected in the Board minutes to accommodate holidays, summer schedules, etc. The BOT is responsible for making and enforcing "all rules, regulations and bylaws necessary for the administration, government, and protection of the libraries under its management, and all property belonging thereto." The Board also hires, evaluates, and sets compensation for the Library Services Director. Board members are active in advocating for library support at both the local and state levels. To learn more about the current board, see **page 5** and also at the city's website:

http://www.cityofwoodland.org/gov/depts/library/board_of_trustees/



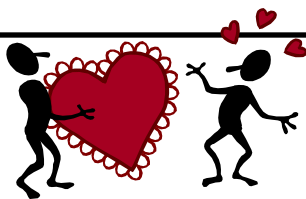
Liar, Temptress, Soldier, Spy (Four Women Undercover in the Civil War) by Karen Abbott

Book Review: Karen Shepard

In this intriguing piece of non-fiction, four women's lives, two Confederate and two Union sympathizers, are described as they lend their spying efforts to the Civil War. When reading Civil War history, it is rare to gain a woman's perspective on the political and military figures and actions prominent at that time, much less their role in a male-dominated conflict. The book, rather than reading like a dry history tome, is more like fiction, alive and dynamic. It brings forth the courage and patriotism of the women as they devise methods of transmitting essential military strategy information across enemy lines. They face serious punishment if their activities are discovered. In fact, one of the Confederate spies is caught in Washington D.C. and thrown into prison along with her eight year old daughter.

During the war, it was not completely uncommon that women who wished to join the military ranks disguised themselves as men, as one of the characters did. Under the guise of being male, she rose among the Union army ranks and was trusted enough to transport secret memos through besieged battlefields. One of the characters, Elizabeth Van Liew, an abolitionist who lived in Richmond, the Confederacy capitol, was responsible for secreting Union soldiers and fleeing slaves until arrangements could be made to transport them to safety.

This was a remarkable and unusual account of how four extraordinary women were able to carry out their convictions and exhibit their loyalty for the cause, Union or Confederate, in which they so strongly believed.



Get to know YOUR Library Board of Trustees (BOT)

Kathy Harryman, President, kathy.harryman@cityofwoodland.org

My name is Kathy Harryman and I moved to Woodland in 1975. I am married and have three grown children, all married, and with children. Both my husband and myself are retired. I worked for both the Sacramento Catholic Diocese and Woodland Joint Unified School District. I was fortunate to teach at Plainfield Elementary, Douglass Junior High and Woodland High School. I also worked in the District Office on various assignments. Libraries have always been an important part of my life. As a child, we did not have the opportunity to have print materials in our home. So, my mother would take both my brother and me to our local library. I was always fascinated by the number of books on the shelves. As a teacher, I was instrumental in supporting our local school libraries. I was President of the Friends of our library for five years. During that time, we cleaned up current book sale space, had shelves built to hold more books, hired painters to enhance the library, purchased chairs for the building, and worked on replanting the courtyard. My goal is to support the library in any way that I can. My goals are to see the Leake Room opened again for public use, and have hours restored to the library schedule.

Diane Adams, diane.adams@cityofwoodland.org

Diane moved to Yolo County from the Bay Area in 1984. She and her husband purchased a "fixer-upper" Victorian in Woodland in 1986 and raised their twin daughters there while renovating their historic home. She served the community in several capacities throughout the 1980's to the present, including the Boards of Directors of Yolo County NOW, Yolo County ACLU, Y-ME Breast Cancer Organization, the UC Davis Forum on Disabilities and the Friends of the Woodland Public Library. Diane holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology and a Master of Science degree in Organizational Studies from San Francisco State University. She retired from UC Davis in 2009 after working 25 years as a manager in Student Affairs from 1984-2003 and International Programs from 2003-2009. She currently tutors adult learners at the Woodland Public Library through the Yolo Reads Literacy Program. Diane has an ethos of community service and a passion for literacy and free access to information and is proud to have the opportunity to serve the community as a Trustee of the Woodland Public Library. "Access to knowledge is the superb, the supreme act of truly great civilizations. Of all the institutions that purport to do this, free libraries stand virtually alone in accomplishing this mission." Toni Morrison

Karen Shepard, karen.shepard@cityofwoodland.org

I have lived in Woodland since 1975. Both my children attended elementary and high school here. I have Master's degrees in Social Work and Teaching English as a Second Language (ESL). Currently I teach ESL at Woodland Community College. I have also taught at UCD Extension's International English Program and developed English language teaching curriculum for non-native nurses recruited to work in Sacramento region hospitals. In the past, I served on the Yolo Hospice and the Food Bank of Yolo County's Board of Directors. I currently serve on the board of Yolo Interfaith Immigration Network (YIIN) and am the organization's treasurer. As a YIIN member, I also oversee the summer ESL program for residents of Madison Migrant Center and the neighboring communities of Esparto and the Capay Valley. I served four years on the Friends of the Library Board (FOL). I have been an active library patron since age five when I received my first library card. I consider it an honor to have been selected as a Board Trustee to assist in providing oversight to an institution which provides services to the community.

Gloria Rodriguez, gloria.rodriguez@cityofwoodland.org

I received my teaching credential at UC Santa Barbara where I began teaching in the Santa Barbara and Goleta Union School Districts. In 1981 our family moved to Woodland where we were fortunate to raise our children. Now we are enjoying seeing our eight grandchildren grow up here. During the past 30 years I was a classroom teacher, resource teacher and administrator in the Woodland Joint Unified School District. I helped coordinate various classroom and family educational programs that focused on the English Language Learner population, primarily Latino families. I taught at Beamer and Grafton Elementary Schools, and then at Lee and Douglas Junior High Schools as a resource teacher in the Dual Language Immersion and English Language Development Programs. After receiving my Administrative Services Credential and Child Development Director Permit, I became the WJUSD Child Development Program Coordinator for the State Preschool Program, the Teen Parenting Program and the Infant Childcare Program. I believe in collaborating with our community organizations in continuing to develop a library program that provides better access for all, bridges the digital divide, and helps in the collection of resources and programs that meet the needs of our diverse community. I look forward to working as a member of the Woodland Public Library's Board of Trustees.

Edgar Lampkin, edgar.lampkin@cityofwoodland.org

Edgar Lampkin, Ed.D. Director of English Learner Services, Yolo County Office of Education Dr. Edgar Lampkin is a former Migrant education student whose parents worked in agriculture. He triumphed over early life difficulties and poverty to build a successful 28 year career in education. He has been a teacher's aide, bilingual teacher, school principal, district and county office administrator in Oregon and California. In addition, he has extensive international consulting experience that focuses on issues of equity, social justice and quality educational practice and educational leadership PK-12. His experience in professional development training has taken him from the United States to Mexico, Eastern Europe, the Middle East and Asian countries. He is married with two boys in high school, one in community college and another at UC Davis. His doctorate in International Multicultural Education was through the University of San Francisco. Reading is a key to "reading the world" and becoming a part of it. His goal in being on the library board is to help others learn to "read the world."



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New Library Hours beginning February 6, 2015! Greta Galindo, Library Services Director

2015 will be a year of expansion and growth at the Library. The Library is excited to begin expanded hours in February. **Starting February 6th, the Library hours will be Monday thru Thursday 9am-7pm, Friday 12pm-4pm, and Saturdays 9am-4pm.** The Library's new hours are due to the passage of Measure J.

The new hours are accompanied by increased staff to help at all of service desks and a new Teen Services Librarian. The Teen Librarian will focus on reaching out to the teens in our community and connecting them with the library and the community. The Leake Community Rooms will also become available for public rental in early 2015.

The Library has new bilingual early literacy computers in the children's area and we are also adding 3 new computers that have educational programs specifically for school age children. Our early literacy computers are very popular for the under 5 crowd and it will be great to have new computers dedicated to older children.

We are also introducing two new online learning opportunities this year. The Library has contracted with Mango! online language instruction to provide our patrons with the opportunity to learn a new language from home or in the library. Mango! offers courses in over 60 languages and also has an ESL component. All you need is a library card and you are ready to start.

For students of all ages the Library will begin offering live one-on-one online homework help and educational support through HelpNow. HelpNow offers students three powerful online learning options: Expert Help: Get live online homework help, skills building, writing assistance, and more from Brainfuse-certified tutors. Study Suite: Featuring our Test Center and Flashbulb, our Study Suite contains powerful assessment and learning tools. Collaboration Suite: Form study groups with friends, work on class projects, and share knowledge with others using our innovative collaboration suite.

Last year was an awesome year at the Library and 2015 is going to be even better.

Thank you to the Friends of the Library for all of your support!

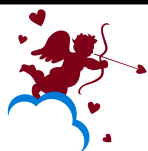


2015 Murder Mystery in the Library "The Carnegie Caper" A Clue-style Murder Mystery Friday, March 27, 6pm

Dust off your deerstalker - get out your crime scene kit and prepare to solve a "murder most foul". **Save the date for this year's Friends of the Library murder mystery in the library. Please join us on Friday, March 27th, starting at 6:00 pm upstairs in the library (check in by elevator downstairs).**

At this year's murder mystery event, there will be food, wine, fun, festivities and a crime for you to solve. The top sleuth will be awarded an "Ace Detective" certificate and prize for solving the crime. www.woodlandfol.org for more information.





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“Love Your Library” Author event and Member’s Reception featuring local author Cindy Sample

Humorous mystery writer, **Cindy Sample**, will discuss her latest release, *Dying for a Dude*, on **Saturday morning, February 7**, when Friends of the Library present this author event to celebrate “Love Your Library” in honor of Valentine’s Day .

A **members-only reception will begin at 9 a.m.** at the Leake Room, 250 First Street, Woodland. Members are invited to join us for some refreshments and to mingle with the author, **Cindy will speak at 9:30** and her talk is open to everyone. If you are not currently a member of the Friends, new memberships will be available at the door at half-price.

Cindy is a past president of Sacramento chapter of Sisters in Crime. Her best-selling humorous mystery series of 4 novels (to date) is set in El Dorado County and features a single soccer mom Laurel McKay. *Dying for a Date*, released in 2010, was followed by *Dying for a Dance*, the winner of the 2011 Northern California Publishers and Authors award for Fiction. *Dying for a Daiquiri*, a 2014 finalist for the LEFTY Award for Best Humorous Mystery, moves the action to Hawaii. Cindy loved doing the research for that book!

Dying for a Dude is the fourth book in the series and takes place locally with a wild wagon train chase scene in Placerville. Though it was just released in October of 2014, a number of reviews give it 5 stars and reviewers say it is her best work yet.

A former mortgage banking CEO who decided plotting murder was more entertaining than plodding through paperwork, Cindy retired to follow her lifelong dream of becoming a mystery author. In addition to speaking about her books, Cindy is a popular motivational speaker. She has presented numerous keynote addresses on topics ranging from “You’re Never Too Old to Follow Your Dreams” and “The Pot-hole Filled Path to Publication” to “Dating for the Hot Flash Set.”

Overview of *Dying For A Dude*:

Hang on to your saddle! It’s going to be a wild ride!

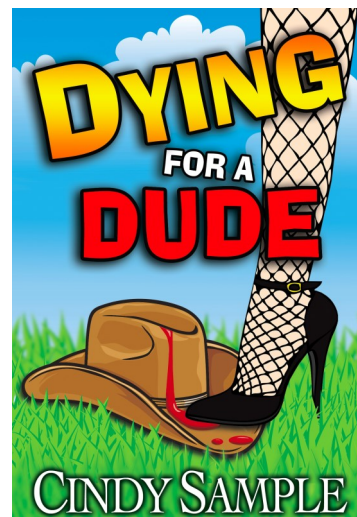
When Laurel McKay agrees to perform with the Sassy Saloon Gals during Hangtown’s annual Wagon Train parade, her greatest fear is a wardrobe malfunction. Before she can lace up her corset, a 150-year-old skeleton turns up on her grandmother’s property. Did Laurel’s great-great-grandfather murder his mining partner? Gran insists not and wants Laurel to prove it.

When the body of a prominent citizen is discovered dangling above a Main Street hotel and her detective boyfriend throws her ex in jail for murder, Laurel, with the help of her zany friends and family must find the real killer.

Juggling two kids, a new boss, a wilting romance, and two murder investigations would be enough to turn any woman into a chocolate addict. Extra pounds are the least of Laurel’s worries as she and her Mustang-driving octogenarian grandmother try to unearth some long-buried secrets before the killer adds their names to Hangtown’s bloody history.



*“Love
Your
Library”*



Membership in the Friends - SALE

Annual membership is currently half off the regular price for new members only. Membership will be valid through June 30, 2015 and will include all members only activities, discounts and freebies.

We have gift certificates available for giving memberships to your friends and neighbors. just let us know and we will customize a gift certificate for you.

All current members in February will be entitled to one free book of their choice at any of our February book sales as our way of saying “Thanks for being a Friend”.

Friends' Board Members

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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.



Happy New Year and best wishes for a fabulous 2015!
Thanks for being a Friend of the Woodland Public Library.

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