

Monthly Report November 2019

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This month I have highlighted a few noteworthy items occurring at Yolo County Library. This report is intended for local Friends of the Library groups, Library Foundation and Library Advisory Board members. We are grateful for your time, talent and financial support! To learn more about Yolo County Library programs and resources, please contact me at mark.fink@yolocounty.org or 530.666.8002. Visit YCL online at <http://yolocountylibrary.org> and find us on Facebook.



Library Holiday Closures

November 11, 2019	Closed for Veterans Day
November 27, 2019	All branches close at 6 p.m.
November 28, 2019	Closed for Thanksgiving
November 29, 2019	Closed for Thanksgiving

Personnel Updates

- Vacant - Library Associate, Mary L. Stephens Davis Branch Library – **recruitment in progress**
- Vacant - Library Associate, Shipley Walters Center – **recruitment in progress**
- Vacant - Librarian, Mary L. Stephens Davis Branch Library – **recruitment in progress**

Celebrate Native American Heritage Month with Yolo County Library

- Look for inviting and informative themed displays at all branch libraries.
- Find relevant reading and viewing recommendations on our website.



Tell Us What You Think About Yolo County Library by November 15th



Hi! CAN WE TALK?

WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Take 4 minutes to tell us what you think about the library.
Your ideas will help shape our future plans.

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Anniversary Celebrations

10 YEARS ARTHUR F. TURNER COMMUNITY LIBRARY
1212 MERKLEY AVE • W. SACRAMENTO
11.7.2019 • 5 - 7 PM

10 YEARS WINTERS COMMUNITY LIBRARY
708 RAILROAD AVE • WINTERS
11.14.2019 • 5 - 7 PM

20 YEARS ESPARTO REGIONAL LIBRARY
17065 YOLO AVE • ESPARTO
12.5.2019 • 5 - 7 PM

Join us as we thank our communities for their many years of support

Anniversary Celebrations at Yolo County Library

Join Yolo County Library in celebrating three library building anniversaries!

We are hosting these celebrations to thank local residents and partners who made these branches an integral part of life in

these communities. Each celebration will include entertainment, activities for all ages, community presentations and refreshments.

- 10th anniversary of the Arthur F. Turner Community Library, November 7 from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
- 10th anniversary of the Winters Community Library, November 14 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.
- 20th anniversary of the Esparto Regional Library, December 5 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.



Help Feed the Hungry by Participating in “Food for Fines”

Our annual “Food for Fines” program allows library cardholders who donate one food item to clear \$1 from their Yolo County Library overdue fines and also feed the hungry this holiday season.



All Yolo County Library cardholders can donate food from November 4th through December 31st at the public services desk of any Yolo County Library location. There is no limit to the number of donations and no limit to the reduction in fines cardholders can receive. Everyone is welcome to donate even if they do not have any overdue fines.

Yolo County Library Boycotts Macmillan and Blackstone Publishers

Yolo County Library is dedicated to providing free access to digital materials, including eBooks and eAudiobooks. However, our ability to connect patrons to digital materials is being threatened.

Blackstone Publishing has embargoed eAudiobook titles from purchase by public libraries for ninety days after their release date. **Yolo County Library became the first library in California to join the Washington Digital Library Consortium’s boycott of Blackstone Publishing’s new release eAudiobooks.** The [boycott](#) began November 1st and runs through April 30, 2020.

Macmillan Publishers recently launched a library eBook embargo; its new digital content terms allow libraries to purchase a single eBook copy of each new Macmillan title for the first eight weeks after a book’s release. After eight weeks, libraries can license additional copies for \$60 per copy for two years or 52 lends, whichever comes first. **Yolo County Library finds these terms unacceptable and became the first library in California to boycott of Macmillan eBooks.** This [boycott](#) became effective November 1st and runs through April 30, 2020.

Yolo County Library Use Grows

From January 1 – September 30, 2019 the **number of items borrowed from our children’s and young adult collections has increased 24 percent** compared to the same period in 2018.

From January 1 – September 30, 2019, Yolo County Library experienced a **30 percent increase in the number of people registering for new library cards** compared to the same period last year.

