Monthly Report  
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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 the library online at http://yolocountylibrary.org and find us on Facebook.

Personnel Updates

**Maria Sandoval** will be transitioning to a new, full-time Library Associate position at the Mary L. Stephens Davis Branch Library. This transfer will allow her to oversee volunteers and the Library Pages in Davis and continue to work in programming and outreach at the Davis Migrant Center and with other Spanish-speaking communities.

We have started the recruitment process to hire a new Library Associate to oversee the Knights Landing Branch. Meanwhile, Maria will remain in Knights Landing until a replacement has been hired.

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**Miguel Perez** will be joining our team as a full-time Library Assistant I at the Mary L. Stephens Davis Branch Library. Miguel’s work will include offering story times, assisting customers at the branch, and participating in community outreach efforts in Davis and the rural regions of Yolo County.

Miguel has extensive outreach and public service experience in Yolo County, and is proficient in communicating with local residents in English and Spanish. Over the last twenty years, Miguel has been employed as a landscaper, a Community Health Leader for the Health Education Council, Community Resource Specialist for Yolo County Children’s Alliance, and a Public Assistance Specialist for Yolo County’s Health and Human Services Agency. Miguel’s first day with Yolo County Library will be October 1, 2018.

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After an extensive search and a grueling interview process, which included stakeholders from Yolo Arts, the Yolo County Historical Museum, and the Friends of the Yolo County Archives, **Iulia Bodeanu** has been hired as our new full-time Museum Curator. This is a new two-year, limited-term position funded by Yolo County.
In this role, Iulia will engage in the review and deaccession of the County's historical collection, oversee the proper preservation and storage of the collection, generate awareness about the collection through countywide promotional efforts, design displays and exhibits in various county locations, and coordinate volunteer efforts to assist with these efforts.

Iulia has worked for Yolo County in various capacities since July 2016. She has museum-related experience working for the Pence Gallery in Davis, Verge Center for the Arts in Sacramento, former Heidrick Agriculture History Center in Woodland, and Sonoma County Museum. Iulia’s first day will be October 14, 2018.

**Friends, Foundation, Library Advisory Board Forum**

**Saturday, October 27**

**9 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

Mary L. Stephens Davis Branch Library

9-12: Volunteer Management Workshop

12-1: Networking and Information Sharing session

Click here to register: (deadline is Sunday, October 21st)

The workshop with Becky Lunders from teamWorks will focus on volunteer engagement, empowerment, and retention. A light breakfast and mid-morning snacks will be provided.

The price is $30 per participant. Each participant should register individually and indicate your preference for topic areas. Friends groups should write one check, to the Winters Friends of the Library, covering all the participants from their team and bring that check the day of the training.

Following the workshop, the Library Advisory Board will be hosting a roundtable discussion during the lunch hour. All Friends are welcome to this no-cost luncheon.

**Summer Reading Program a Success!**

4,541 people registered

4,949 people attended events and programs

238 events and activities offered

41% increase over participation from 2017

Help make next year’s Summer Reading Program even better by taking our two-minute survey.

On behalf of staff, we are grateful to all of you, our Friends of the Library, for your generous program support.
Vote By Mail Ballot Drop Off Service at Some Yolo County Branch Libraries

Vote By Mail (VBM) voters can drop off their completed ballots at select branch libraries between Friday, October 19 and 2:00 p.m. on Monday, November 5, 2018.

Library ballot boxes are located near the customer service desks. VBM drop off is available during all hours that the libraries are open.

- Mary L. Stephens- Davis Branch Library
  315 E. 14th St, Davis CA 95616
  530-757-5593

- Arthur F. Turner Community Library, West Sacramento
  1212 Merkley Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691
  916-375-6465

- Esparto Regional Library
  17065 Yolo Avenue Esparto, CA 95627
  530-787-3426

- Winters Community Library
  708 Railroad Avenue, Winters CA 95694
  530-795-4955

Quarterly Status Update on the Library’s Goals for FY 2018-19

- Complete the facilities renovation project for Library Central Services and the Yolo County Archives and Records Center.
  - Archives and Records Center closed to the public on October 1, 2018.
  - Construction begins October 8, 2018.
  - Archives and Records Center is scheduled to reopen on May 1, 2019.
- Increase access to its services by eliminating late fines for cardholders under 18 years of age.
  - In progress with a tentative January 1, 2019 implementation date.
- Offer resources and programs reducing Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) to build resilience by educating parents and caregivers about the importance of quality early childhood education.
  - Training on resilience will be provided at a Staff Training Day on October 15, 2018.
- Offer bilingual programs and resources for parents, caregivers to promote school readiness.
  - These programs are offered at all library branches.
• Increase access to its services by adding open hours at the Esparto Regional Library.
  o This goal was completed on July 1, 2018.
• Increase access to its services by implementing the Student Success Initiative in Esparto to issue library cards to all K-12 students.
  o In progress with a tentative implementation date of January 1, 2019.
• Increase access to services by launching a new website.
  o In progress with a tentative implementation date of November 15, 2018.
• The Library will complete CEQA study, receive EIR approval, and begin construction of a new Yolo Branch Library.
  o In progress with the tentative release date of the final EIR in November 2018.
• The Library will offer an ESL Class for Caregivers at the Esparto Regional Library.
  o Implemented in September 2018.

Status Report on 2017-18 Grand Jury Report

• By October 1, 2018, all Yolo County libraries should post a code of appropriate behavior.
  o The Code of Behavior has been translated into Spanish, Russian and Chinese. The information is clearly displayed in all four languages in prominent locations at all branches.
  o Printed copies of the Code of Behavior are now available in English, Spanish, Russian and Chinese upon request at the customer service desks in all branches.
• By December 31, 2018, the Archives Coordinator should work with the County Librarian and the members of the Board of Supervisors to ensure that the proposals in the Facilities Master Plan to mitigate the environmental damage at the existing Archives building by 2025, and to replace the facility by 2035, remain on track to be implemented.
  o The renovation of the Archives and Records Center begins on October 8, 2018, with a projected completion date of April 30, 2019.

Celebrate LATINX 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.