

Yolo Reads Newsletter

Spring 2019



“Think before you speak.
Read before you think.” –
Fran Lebowitz

Yolo Reads is happy to announce that the California State Library provided funding to add a Family Literacy component to our existing program.

Yolo Reads hopes to deepen community knowledge of family literacy theory and practice. As community members and as life-long learners, we all rely on support systems to foster family growth, development, and stability.

We ask that our tutors inform our adult learners of this new addition to the program. We will aim at providing resources to our existing tutors and Yolo Reads families.

In order to meet the needs of our Yolo Reads participants, we will be hiring a family literacy assistant. We hope to reach all the families in the Yolo Reads program and reach additional families through our library network.

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COORDINATOR'S CORNER

Nancy Pacheco

During September of 2018, I had the pleasure of attending the California Library Literacy Services (CLLS) Coordinator's Conference. It was held at the beautiful the Tsakopoulos Library Galleria in Sacramento. This professional gathering included 130 attendees from over 100 different CLLS literacy programs.

A highlight of mine was watching the Adult Learner Leadership Institute (ALLI) program which featured an adult learner panel.

I am pleased to tell you all that one of the featured panelists was a current Yolo Reads adult learner. Pratistha (who attended ALLI) recounted powerful stories of triumph and courage.

Pratistha was selected to attend the Adult Learner Leadership Institute program over the summer. She, and the other ALLI panelists, spoke confidently about their ability to build group comradery, self-reliance, and courage.



Adult Literacy Tutors Tell Us:

"Helped to set up Overdrive account on Learner's smartphone." - Carolina Castillo

"I am impressed that R has the confidence to put forth extra effort (both with me & when alone) to demonstrably work on her desire to improve her English communication. She understands her shortcomings & is very dedicated to resolving them." - Audrey Nelson

"Learner has begun to read at downtimes in the grocery store where she is working ." - Kristine Keil

"S is enrolled in an Early Childhood Education (ECE) class. She wrote a 3-page paper for her class." - Lucia Kaiser

"T has interviewed for a job and also read and completed a 75-page application!" - Joan Simons

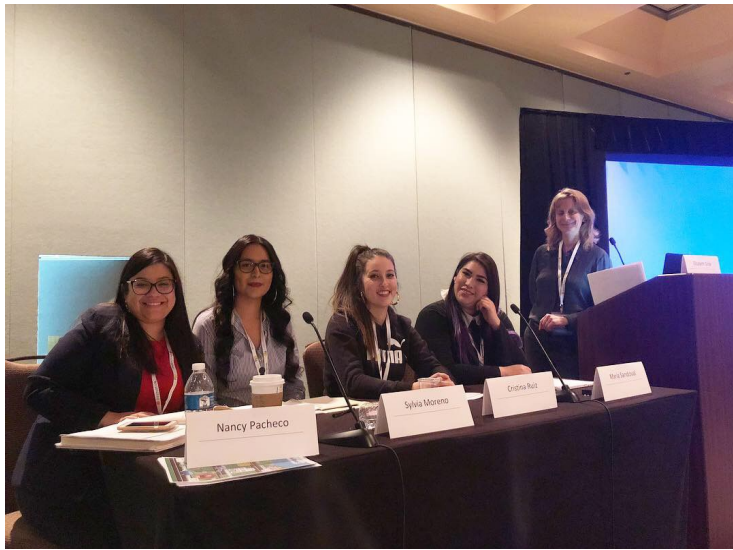
"Library staff is very helpful in providing other materials, especially primary levels of biographies." - Janice Tackett

"She usually comes with a list of word usage or grammar questions that she finds confusing and we talk about the rules and look at examples to help her to understand." - Aaron Price

"M is applying for a part-time job with the school district, so we worked on filling out the application and making a resume." - Gretchen Paddock

"The first accomplishment was to acquire a library card. The second accomplishment was to begin to draft a work-related paper, which will allow the learner to perform her current job tasks at a higher level." - Janet Shibamoto-Smith

"A is now checking out books to use to help her son with his schoolwork." - Carol Jewell



2018 CLA CONFERENCE

On November 11th, four Yolo County Library staff members including our Yolo Reads Coordinator, Nancy Pacheco, participated in a panel at the California Library Association conference in Santa Clara, California.

The panel was titled: **“Collaboration and Conversations: Reaching Rural, English-as-a-Second Language Populations”**. The discussion was designed to provide insight into library outreach and grant/program management.

Librarians from Marin County and a San Francisco City Supervisor were among the attendees.

Writing Prompt

Through a strange series of events, the entire world has been sent two weeks back into the past. Everyone knows it and remembers what happened. You're a newscaster just trying to keep up with the chaos as everyone tries to rewrite their next two weeks for optimal results.

Events Calendar

Yolo Reads (YR) Orientation times:

Interested in becoming a Yolo Reads tutor? All are welcome to attend our YR orientation to learn how to become a literacy champion. Our best tutors come from in-program referrals.

All orientations are held at the Stephens Davis Branch in the Children's Activity room from 6-8pm.

Monday, April 8th

Monday, June 24th

Monday, July 29th

Tutor Support Network (TSN) meeting times:

All TSN meetings are held at the Stephens Davis Library Branch in the Blanchard room from 12-1pm.

Tuesday, March 12th

Tuesday, May 14th

Tuesday, July 16th

Tuesday, Sept 10th

Wednesday, Nov 13th

The Yolo County Library and the California State Library would like to assist your learner in finishing their high school education through Career Online School. The program is completely online and a limited number of scholarships are available to learners who pass their first prerequisites.

Contact the Literacy Coordinator to sign up your learner today!



ENGLISH CONVERSATION GROUPS

Join one of our English Conversation Groups to practice English in a casual setting. All languages and all levels of learners are welcome.

Mary L. Stephens Davis Branch Library:

Mondays: 2pm, Tuesdays: 1:30pm, Wednesdays: 10:30am, Thursdays: 1:30pm, Friday: 2pm

Arthur F. Turner Community Library:

Wednesdays: 4pm, Fridays: 10am

Esparto Regional Library:

Tuesdays: 1:15pm

Winters Community Library:

Thursdays: 6:00pm



Submit your writing to the Yolo Reads Newsletter:

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Davis Branch Library
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Davis, CA 95616
(530) 757-5593

Arthur F. Turner

Community Library
1212 Merkley Avenue
West Sacramento, CA 95691
(916) 375-6465

Clarksburg Branch Library

52915 Netherlands Rd.
Clarksburg, CA 95612
(916) 744-1755

Esparto Regional Library

17065 Yolo Avenue
Esparto, CA 95627
(530) 787-3426

Winters Community Library

708 Railroad Avenue
Winters, CA 95694
(530) 795-4955

Knights Landing Branch Library

42351 3rd Street
Knights Landing, CA 95645
(530) 735-6593

Yolo Branch Library

37750 Sacramento Street
Yolo, CA 95697
(530) 662-2363