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Read Off Your Fines

(Woodland, CA) – To celebrate National Library Week, April 11-17, 2010, Yolo County Library announces the third annual Read Off Your Fines campaign. This campaign will target children and young adult library card holders, ages five to 18 years, who are able to read by themselves and who owe overdue fines on their own library cards for previously returned materials. Youth who "read off" their fines during the month of April will earn a \$1.00 credit for each 15 minutes spent reading a book of their choice in the library.

"This program is a great opportunity for youth with overdue fines to return to the library and take advantage of all of its resources," said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chairwoman Helen M. Thomson. "Participants can read passages from their favorite books, or new ones, to have their fines forgiven."

"Yolo County Library celebrates its 100th Anniversary this year," said Yolo County Librarian Patty Wong. "What a great way to encourage youth and their families to enjoy the library by coming together and reading off their fines."

The Yolo County Library is offering the Read Off Your Fines program at each of the seven branch libraries during the month of April. The hours of the program will vary from branch to branch so community members are encouraged to contact their local branch for more information. Libraries are located in the communities of Clarksburg, Davis, Esparto, Knights Landing, West Sacramento, Winters and Yolo. For more information on the Yolo County Library system visit: www.yolocountylibrary.org.

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