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## Book Talk with Author October 18

(Woodland, CA) – The Esparto Regional Library is pleased to host a presentation by author Marise Bochove-Rinkel, on her book of stories, *The Zonnehoek Story*, about her parents, Bert and Annie Bochove, and their experiences in hiding Jews in Holland during World War II. This Book Talk, sponsored by the Friends of the Esparto Regional Library, will be held on October 18, 7:00 to 8:00 p.m., in the Wintun Room at the Esparto Regional Library, located at 17065 Yolo Avenue in Esparto.

Marise Bochove-Rinkel wrote *The Zonnehoek Story*, illustrated by Paul Schiffers, so her children and grandchildren would know their heritage and so Bert and Annie Bochove's story would not be lost. Ms. Bochove-Rinkel was born in Holland but lived her adult life in California where she and her husband raised their family. Bert Rinkel, Ms. Bochove-Rinkel's husband worked for many years at Contadina. Recently, they have returned to Woodland after working with a sports ministry and teaching English in the Czech Republic.

Illustrator, Paul Schiffers is from Holland and published a book on the houses of Huizen, the town where the Bochove's lived. Ms. Bochove-Rinkel had a copy of this book and asked Mr. Schiffers to illustrate her own book.

"Zonnehoek" means "sunny corner" in Dutch and well describes the house featured in the story. The book was published in 2009 in three languages: English, Dutch and Czech.

"The pleasure of reading a book is in the involvement of oneself in the story and of being consumed by it," said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chairwoman Helen Thomson. "The importance of the Esparto Regional Library Book Talk program is in the value of a reader relating both socially and emotionally with an author of a book, and there's no better experience for both adults and children than to be able to converse directly with the author like Marise Bochove-Rinkel on her book of stories, *The Zonnehoek Story*, along side with the book illustrator Paul Schiffers."

All ages are invited to attend this Book Talk as *The Zonnehoek Story* is written to be understood by children. Books will be available for purchase and will be signed by both Ms. Bochove-Rinkel and Mr. Schiffers. Refreshments will be served.

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