South Davis gets its own library
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At long last, South Davis has a public library branch, even if it's only twice a week for a few hours.

The Montgomery Elementary School Library, 1441 Danbury St., will be open to the public from 5 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays.

A celebration of the new extended hours will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday and will include a bilingual story time, crafts, music and cake. The festivities will be officiated by Yolo County Supervisor Jim Provenza and Davis Board of Education President Tim Taylor.

Services at the school library, which will continue even after the Stephens Branch Library reopens next month at its permanent home on 14th Street, include circulation of a limited public library collection, placing and picking up of holds, and return of materials. Materials may be returned through the book drop near the parking lot.

Staff members from the Davis school district and the Yolo County Library will be on hand during the public hours to offer assistance and recommend materials.

The extended hours are funded through Measure P, the ballot measure approved by local voters in 2007, which increased the parcel tax that funds expanded library services, programs and facilities in Davis.

"This is a wonderful service, not only for residents in South Davis, but for all library patrons who frequent the Mary L. Stephen Davis Branch Library which is now temporarily closed in order to move back to its permanent location on East 14th Street," Supervisor Helen Thomson said in a news release.

"We are grateful to the Davis Joint Unified School District for this support and to the residents of Davis who have long supported library services."

Yolo County Librarian Patty Wong said a second Yolo County Library book drop for returned materials will be installed at Patwin Elementary School in West Davis in the near future.

For more information on the Yolo County Library, visit http://www.yolocountylibrary.org or call (530) 759-2100.