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Read Off Your Fines During National Library Week, April 10-16

(Woodland, CA) – To celebrate National Library Week, April 10-16, 2011, the Yolo County Library announces the fourth annual “Read Off Your Fines” campaign. This campaign targets children and young adult library card holders, ages 5 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 will earn a \$1.00 credit for each 15 minutes spent reading a book of their choice during the second week of April at their local Yolo County Library branch.

“We want to support youth who have been blocked from checking out library materials in once again being able to return and take advantage of the many resources available at the library,” said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Vice-Chair Jim Provenza. “This successful program encourages youth to take responsibility for their fines by reading passages from their favorite books, or new ones, in exchange for forgiveness of overdue fines.”

“Families are encouraged to participate in the Read Off Your Fines program,” said Yolo County Librarian Patty Wong. “This is a great opportunity for families to read together.”

The Yolo County Library is offering the Read Off Your Fines program at each of the eight branch libraries during the second week 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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