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Yolo County Library Announces Summer Reading Program...with Prizes!

(Woodland, CA) – The Yolo County Library is rolling out its ever-popular summer reading program starting June 1. The program runs through mid-August and will include free reading clubs for all ages, exciting events and great prizes. And of course, all programs are free of charge!

"A summer reading program is a critically important tool to keep children learning and reading during the summer," said Yolo County Librarian Patty Wong. Research indicates students who read recreationally out-perform those who don't. Studies have also shown school-aged children lose up to one month of learning over the summer break. "Our programs provide quality summer learning opportunities," said Wong. "Sign up at your local Yolo County Library branch."

Beginning June 1, everyone who visits any Yolo County Library branch may sign up for summer reading and pick up a schedule of summer events for children, families, teens or adults. The lineup includes Olympic Dreams, The Bat Lady, sing around the campfire with Mr. Daddy Longlegs, magician Jon Lopez, Dream Interpretation and much, much more. Events vary from branch to branch, so stop by your branch or visit www.yolocountylibrary.org for more information.

Dream Big...Read! is for children ages 0-12. Sign up, visit the library during the summer and check in at the Information Desk to chat about what you have been reading to get a prize. Each child who completes the program receives a free book and Round Table Pizza coupon, while supplies last.

Own the Night is the teen program (ages 13-18). Sign up and fill out a short survey to be entered into the system-wide raffle for a chance to win an Android Touch Screen Tablet, MP3 player or a Target gift certificate. In addition, there are library activities at each branch to earn additional raffle tickets. The more books you read and review and earn raffle tickets for, the more chances to win.

Between the Covers is for adults. Sign up, share your book recommendations, and win a Between the Covers Book bag, while supplies last. One lucky winner will win a Kindle Touch. Programs on astronomy, dream interpretation and altered books may also be available at your local branch.

2012 Summer Reading Program sponsors include California Library Association, First 5 Yolo, numerous local businesses, Target Stores, Costco, Friends of the Davis Branch Library, Friends of the Esparto Regional Library, West Sacramento Friends of the Library, Clarksburg Friends of the Library, Friends of the Knights Landing Library and Winters Friends of the Library.