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## **Farm It! Darn It! Urban Homesteading at the Davis Library**

**(Woodland, CA)** – The Mary L Stephens Davis Branch Library, in support of the growing urban homesteading movement, is offering an informational series of workshops this fall, led by local specialists, titled “Farm It! Darn It! The Urban Homesteading Series”. This four-part evening series starts on September 8 in the Blanchard Room of the library, located at 315 East 14th Street in Davis. Whether you are looking to create a sustainable lifestyle or just interested in acquiring a cool, new skill, this series has something for everyone!

- Wednesday, September 4, 7:00-8:00 p.m.: Home Winemaking. Chik Brenneman, winemaker, manager of the UC Davis campus vineyards and winery, regular columnist for Winemaker’s Magazine and teacher will speak on home winemaking.
- Wednesday, September 11, 7:00-8:00 p.m.: Homebrewing Beer. John Sanatar, President of the Greenbelt Brewers Association will speak on homebrewing beer. The Greenbelt Brewers Association won the 2012 California Homebrew Club of the year award and is an American Homebrew Association-recognized club dedicated to the joy of homebrewing.
- Wednesday, September 25, 7:00-8:00 p.m.: Kitchen Botany. Ellen Dean, Curator of the UC Davis Center for Plant Diversity and Plant Sciences will speak on kitchen and supermarket botany; specifically what plant parts we use from what plant families.
- Tuesday, October 8, 7:00-8:00 p.m.: Homemade Ricotta. Julie Cross, Davis Food Co-op Marketing and Education Director and Julie Loke of the Davis Food Co-op Teaching Kitchen, will demonstrate how to make ricotta cheese as well as share recipes to use both the cheese and leftover whey.

“An increasing number of people in our community are turning to their own yards and kitchens to create a self-sufficient lifestyle,” said Yolo County Librarian Patty Wong. “In addition to these workshops, the Yolo County Library also provides a wide array of D.I.Y. (Do-it-Yourself) books, magazines and visual materials to support library patrons in their learning process.”

No reservations are required. The Blanchard Room of the Mary L. Stephens Davis Branch Library is accessible for persons with disabilities. Sponsored by the Friends of the Davis Public library and presented by the Yolo County Library, all programs are free. For more information, contact Joan Tuss: (530) 757-5588 or [joantuss@yolocounty.org](mailto:joantuss@yolocounty.org), visit the library’s website: [www.yolocountylibrary.org](http://www.yolocountylibrary.org) or connect with the Yolo County Library on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/yolocountylibrary.org](http://www.facebook.com/yolocountylibrary.org).

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