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grandpas tapping their feet to lighthearted songs of earlier years. Vintage musical instruments and humorous stories will conjure the spirit of Chico circa 1913. Stick around for the "Alice Peake Experience," a unique band playing Kid Music, Classic Rock, Pop, Folk, Blues, Country, and Reggae. . . "a musical time-machine." The band is high-energy fun for ages 1 to 100. Chat with local authors about writing and publishing their books. Children can bring a well-loved book of their own to swap for another. Have fun with crafts and games created by Girl Scout Troops, the National Charity League, other teen volunteers, and Butte County Literacy Services. Steve Ferchaud, local book illustrator, will again draw your caricature. The annual Fall Festival is sponsored by Chico Friends of the Library, "The most important book club in town."

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"I would rather sit on a pumpkin, and have it all to myself, than be crowded on a relvet cushion."

— Henry David Thoreau

Fall Festival

—Ann Elliott

Join us for the annual Chico Library Fall Festival on Saturday, October 19th at 11 am to 2 pm at the Chico Branch Library, East First & Sherman Avenues. Admission is FREE!!

To celebrate the 100 year birthday of the Butte County Library, Gordy Ohliger, "A Musical Mark Twain with a Heritage You Can Hear" will perform at 12:30. Also, enjoy all things library at this free event with family-friendly music by "Alice Peake Experience," a children's book swap and sale, games, tours of the Butte County Literacy Coach, local authors and illustrators, all with Round Table pizza and drinks. Plus, the Chico Seed Lending Library's grand-opening is at noon.

Gordy "The Banjo Man" will have kids and

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—Joan Olmstead

This year money raised from the sale of raffle tickets will go to the purchase of more large print books. The lovely ladies of Annie's Star Quilts graciously donate a quilt every year to benefit the library — they are so supportive.

You can buy raffle tickets at the library, the drawing will be right before Christ-

mas at the Saturday Book Sale, December 7th. Please support us in this endeavor, the quilts are just lovely!



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Librarian's Update

— Sarah Vantrease

As leaves fall and days grow short, autumn brings a natural sense of winding down the year. But this season is full of new life at the Chico branch library! We're adding new hours: 1:00-5:00 pm on Sundays starting Novem**ber 3** – and some new staff to go along with them.

Stop by to welcome our new part-time Senior Library Assistants, Nicole Knight and Ricardo Ramirez. Combined they have many years of experience working in school, public, and university libraries – and individually Ricardo and Nicole are each full of fresh energy and ideas for providing excellent service here at the Chico branch.



Nicole Knight, Senior Library Assistant

We are also in the process of hiring a new, full-time librarian to work with children, teens, families and schools. We have recruited a quality group of applicants from near and far and look forward to hiring the first "Chico Children's Librarian" in over 20 years!

Expect a continuation of more excellent children's activities from our current

staff, along with a new expansion of service and outreach for even more library impact on our community's young people. And please thank your Supervisors for helping to bring these new hours and new staff to Chico.

This fall also marks the kick-off of a long-anticipated project, the Chico Seed Lending Library. Join us at noon during the Fall Festival (October 19th) for the grand opening

inside the library! You can be among the first Chicoans to "borrow" seeds from the library. We ask that you do your best to grow healthy plants and then save some of the new seeds to "return" to the library for next year's gardeners.

Formed as a partnership between Butte County Library, the Chico Permaculture Guild, and the GRUB Education Program, the Seed Library includes educational Ricardo Ramirez, Senior materials (with new books pro-



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vided by CFOL) to help novice and expert gardeners and seedsavers alike. We can't wait to see how this project brings in new library users and helps Chico neighbors connect over sharing seeds from our bioregion.

If you're already a practiced seed saver with seeds or stories, stop by the library or email ChicoSeedLibrary@gmail.com to learn how to donate seeds or become a seed library volunteer. We need all kinds of viable local seeds: fruits, vegetables, flowers, herbs, and native plants.

As always, we wouldn't get very far without our dear Friends. Thanks for the many ways that your support, advocacy, and passion for the library make each day of the year a new and fresh experience at the Chico branch.



Trivia Bee

-Marian Milling

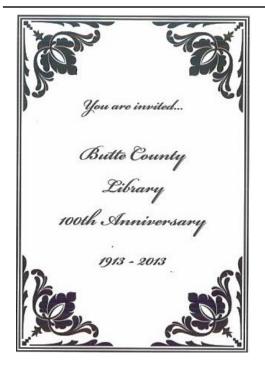
The Trivia Bee is Coming: tough new questions and a new location! The 7th annual Trivia Bee sponsored by Butte County Library Literacy Services will be held Friday, November 15. Festivities start at 6 pm with refreshments followed by the contest. This

year's location is Manzanita Place (Elks Lodge) on East Avenue in Chico. This exciting and fun event has moved nearly every year to a new location because it keeps growing larger and larger! Last year, 18 teams competed and the Chico Friends' team came out in first place. Can they repeat??

Tough questions from past years include "What color is Percy, engine and best friend of Thomas the Tank?" or "What is Butte County's no. 1 agricultural cash crop?" or "What is a harvest moon?" One year, a lead-off question was "What color are the letter Gs in the Google logo?"

You can see that these devious questions thought up and verified by county library staff are things everyone is exposed to but may or may not remember. The Trivia Bee is an entertaining evening with food, drink, and fun all for the admission price of \$25 per person. Tickets will be available at the library. Complete details about the Bee can be found at:

http://buttecounty.net/Library/Literacy/~/media/County% 20Files/Library/Public%20Internet/TriviaBee.ashx



Butte County Library Centennial Celebration

— Mary Wahl

WOW!!!! 100 years of libraries in Butte County (1913 to 2013). On November 16, 2013 we will all be gathering at the Durham Memorial Hall, 9319 Midway in Durham from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. to celebrate this extraordinary accomplishment. Each library in Butte County will be represented and you will have a chance to see and experience what is going on with libraries in our county. There will be a video loop of a photo history of the county libraries these 100 years of existence. Many who have been involved in our libraries will be available for you to visit with and exchange stories of literacy in our community. You will have a chance to find out more about the programs available in each of our library branches and what services are being offered. We hope all of you will be able to join us and thank our supervisors and other governmental entities for all they have done to keep us a vital part of our communities. About 1:30 p.m. there will be a short program with Nancy Brower, past County Librarian, speaking about our history. Refreshments and good company will make for a worthwhile afternoon.

Holiday Buy the Book

—Ellen Walker

Groucho Marx famously quipped: "Outside of a dog, a book is a man's best friend; inside a dog it's too dark to read. Motto": Stay outside your dog and find a best friend inside the library. Holidaytime Buy the Book, an annual program of the Chico Library, which will run from the Saturday after Thanksgiving (November 30th) through New Year's, is a unique opportunity to give a new best friend to the library's collection, make the book available to the reading community, and honor a valued friend or relative. Books on a great variety of subjects will be displayed on a table near the circulation desk, all of which will make an important addition to the collection. Buy one for the library in the name of someone you wish to honor and a bookplate will be permanently affixed just inside the cover with the name of the person you wish to honor.

Bring your gift list and buy three gifts in one. It's almost holiday time, Holidaytime, that is, so Buy the Book. For more information about the program, which has been gaining in popularity every year, ask any Chico librarian.



Spending YTD

Our Treasurer reports that as of August 31 (during the 2013-2014 fiscal year), CFOL has spent \$9,097 on books, movies, eBooks, audiobooks, and magazines. Book sale volunteers, patron donations, and book sale customers make this happen!

New Books

Available because of your generous donations!

- ♦ Obamacare Survival Guide: The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and How It Affects You and Your Healthcare by Nick J. Tate
- Make your Brain Smarter: Increase your Brain's Creativity, Energy, and Focus by Sandra Bond Chapman with Shelly Kirkland
- Whiskey Beach by Nora Roberts (fiction)
- The Unofficial Guide to Disneyland 2013 by Bob Sehlinger, Seth Kubersky and Len Testa
- ◆ After the Music Stopped: The Financial Crisis, the Response, and the Work Ahead by Alan S. Blinder
- ◆ Six Years by Harlan Coben (fiction)
- It's all Good: Delicious, Easy Receipes that will Make You Look Good and Feel Great by Gwyneth Paltrow with Julia Turshen
- Shakespeare Saved My Life: Ten years in Solitary with the Bard by Laura Bates
- Decisive: How to Make Better Choices in Life and Work by Chip Heath and Dan Heath





This coupon admits you, a Chico Friends of the Library member, to the "First Friday" Members-Only Book Sale on November 1st, December 6th, January 3rd & February 7th

Sales are held on the first Friday of the month before the first public Saturday sale each month.

Chico Friends of the Butte County Library

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COMING EVENTS:

- Regular Saturday **Book Sale**, every Saturday in the Chico Branch Library Meeting Room, 9am to 11:30am.
- Butte County Library Centennial display arrives at the Chico Branch Library, October 1.
- FALL FESTIVAL at the Chico Branch Library, October 19, 11am to 2pm.
- Trivia Bee for Literacy, at Manzanita Place, 1705 Manzanita Ave, Chico, November 15, doors open at 6pm.
- Butte County Library **Centennial Celebration**, Durham Memorial Hall, 9319 Midway, Durham, November 16, 1pm to 3pm.
- Holidaytime Buy the Book at the Chico Branch Library, late November through mid-December.
- Quilt Raffle drawing at the Chico Branch Library, December 7, at noon (after the Saturday book sale).