# Chico Carrel

**July 2015** 



# **Annie B's Community Drive**

Would you like to increase the power of your contribution to Chico Friends of the Butte County Library? It's easy! During the Annie B's Community Drive (**August 1** through **September 30**), the donation you make will be supplemented with a percentage grant from North Valley Community Foundation (NVCF), *and* up to an additional \$10,000 matching funds from the Chico Community Grant program.

CFOL signed up for the Annie B's Community Drive. The grant proposal we submitted to the City of Chico for expanding the public computer area of the Chico branch was approved by the City of Chico. This means that the city will match up to \$10,000 of the donations we receive. The computer area expansion is expected to cost approximately \$20,000.

Gifts must be made on behalf of Chico Friends of the Butte County Library and sent to NVCF. Donations other than checks may be made on line at <a href="https://www.chicolibrary.org">www.nvcf.org</a> or at <a href="https://www.chicolibrary.org">www.chicolibrary.org</a>. NVCF can also accept gifts of stock, real estate, and other property with value. We receive 100% of these contributions plus a percentage matched by NVCF and the Chico Community Grant program.

To make a donation to CFOL that will be supplemented by funds from NVCF and the Chico Community Grant program, mark your calendar now to donate starting **August 1** (not before), but no later than **September 30** at **4 p.m**. Make checks payable to: Annie B's / Chico Friends of the Butte County Library. Send your check to: North Valley Community Foundation, 240 Main Street, Suite 260, Chico, CA 95928. Or donate on line: Visit www.nvcf.org or www.chicolibrary.org for details.

Questions? Call NVCF Annie B's Coordinator, Jovanni Tricerri, at (530) 891-1150, ext. 23. If you wish to send stock or other property, call Jovanni for help.

We receive a list of donors in the Fall: We'll use it to update our membership list.

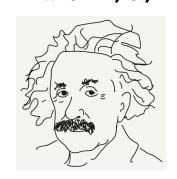
# **Reduced Library Hours** and Services

The decision of City and County officials that other needs of the community take precedence to the Chico Branch Library has made reduced hours beginning on July 6, 2015 necessary. The Library has lost several employees, as well.

Most affected are children's programs and events that include the Monday 10 a.m. Summer Bilingual Story Garden (now Thursday at 10:15 a.m.), the 10 a.m. Tuesday Preschool Story Time (now Tuesday at 11 a.m.), the 9:30 a.m.

"The only thing that you absolutely have to know is the location of the library."

~Albert Einsein



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and 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Babies Love Books (now a single session at 1 p.m.), and the 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Friday Toddler Story Time (now a single session at 10:30 a.m.).

The Library is closed on Monday. Patrons lose two hours of library time on Tuesdays and Wednesdays with the 11:00 a.m. opening and one hour on Thursdays and Fridays with the 10:00 a.m. opening. Closing hours have not changed.

# Here is the revised schedule of open hours:

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Saturday
Sunday

Closed
11 a.m. - 7 p.m.
11 a.m. - 7 p.m.
10 a.m. - 7 p.m.
10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

#### **New CFOL Board**

One of the business items at the CFOL annual meeting in May was to elect 14 board members for the 2015-2016 fiscal year. You will notice that current officers' commitments vary.

President (2014-2016): Diane Friedman Vice-President (2015-2017): Patti Conlin Secretary (2015-2016): Marian Milling Treasurer (2015-2017): Susan Davis

Board Members:
Margaret Bomberg
Debbie Cobb
Ann Elliott
Nancy Leek
Rupert McDowell
Joan Olmstead
Ramona Peters
Jen Rold
Mary Wahl

Ex-officio Board Member: Brenda Crotts, Chico Branch Librarian

#### Chico Book Club

By Maureen Jeffers

What happens when a person that has never been in a book club starts one? With planning and help, it goes pretty well!

Begun in May of 2015, the club currently has 12 members and meets the 4th Thursday of the month at 10:00 am in the Chico Library.

I am the no-book-club-experience person, and after years of saying "Sorry, no." to the question "Do you have a book club here in the Library?" I decided it was finally time to make it happen. By a great stroke of luck, I had a conversation with a patron about starting a book club, and she volunteered to help facilitate the meetings! She is awesome and brings with her many years of book club experience.

We are using the "Book Club in a Box" sets that the Library owns, and so far we have read *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society* and are planning to read *The Big Year*, *Tortilla Curtain*, *Bel Canto* and *The Name*.

If you have questions or would like more information, please contact staffer Maureen (<u>mjeffers@buttecounty.net</u><mailto:<u>mjeffers@buttecounty.net</u>>).

## **Spanish Book Club**

By Ricardo Ramirez

The Chico Library's new Spanish Book Club, Mosaico de Literatura, is deep into its third selection. Partnership with the California Center for the Book provided the Spanish services department with 10 copies of five books on extended loan. The first two meet-

ings were a success, with all copies checked out and 12-15 people at each discussion. The next meeting is Thursday July 30 at 5:30 p.m. in the Chico Library Meeting Room. Books can be checked out for three weeks and are available in the Library's Spanish Language Section. If you have questions, please see Ricardo or Julissa.



## 3D Printing Lab Opens!

With a great kick-off on Saturday, June 13th, the 3D Printer Lab is now up and running!

Teens may schedule times to learn to use this new technology; workshops for tweens and adults will come in the future.

Lab leaders, students from Chico High's ROP, will be available to help. They'll guide each new user in selecting a design from Thingiverse.com (or from a file on a personal flash drive), loading it to the Cura program, and printing from one of our Printrbot printers.

Depending on size and complexity of the design, printing might take from 20 minutes to several hours, so retrieving some objects will require a visit to the library the next morning.

The 3D equipment was purchased with a grant from the Chico Friends of the Library. Filament (printing material) is donated by local business Idea Fab Lab.

Teens 12-17 can sign up for a time by visiting the branch. Available times (July-August) are listed here.

Saturday, 7/18, 3pm-5pm Tuesday, 7/21, 5pm-7pm Saturday, 8/1, 3pm-5pm Tuesday, 8/4, 5pm-7pm Saturday, 8/15, 3pm-5pm Tuesday, 8/18, 5pm-7pm Saturday, 8/29, 3pm-5pm

### Japanese Story Time Sale Donations

The Chico Library Japanese Story Time

Story Time
Group Bake and Craft Sale on April
18 raised a grand total of \$658. The
group purchased a puppet stage and
a "magic carpet" for story time and
donated \$206 to CFOL to benefit
Chico Library Children's Services.



Generous donations by patrons, eager book purchasers, patient library staff, and extremely hard working volunteers have pushed CFOL book sale gross to more than \$60,000 for the 2014-2015 fiscal year.

Beautiful donations of slightly used books continue to come in by the bag and truckload. We evaluate all donations for inclusion in the library collection, sale on the Internet for larger sums, sale at our weekly sale, or donation to another Friends group for their book sales.

We have been fortunate to not have to raise prices for our books, because the volume of donations and sales has increased steadily. Children's books of all types and adult paperbacks are only 25 cents. Fiction and non-fiction books range between \$1 and \$2.50. Some of the gorgeous coffee table books are priced a bit higher.

Volunteers make this fundraiser happen. Helen Sutton and Helen Martin (book sale managers) are the main book sorters and keep the rest of us trained and fully engaged. Others help sort, price, and pack books into sale boxes, set up the sale midday Friday, and run the First Friday Sale for CFOL members. A big crew of people run the Saturday sale—cashiers, runners, donation sorters, and folks to pack it all back into the book room at 11:30

All of these efforts and the funds generated go toward library media purchases and programs for the Chico Branch Library.

Thanks to everyone for our great success.

~Ann Elliott,

Liaison between CFOL Board and the Book Sale

# **CFOL Monthly Updates by Email**

To keep current with CFOL and library activities, sign up for monthly updates via email. The monthly notes are more casual than *The Carrel* and give you important news and date reminders faster than publishing the newsletter. Just send a note to cfolwebmaster@gmail.co m requesting that your email address be added to your membership record. Of course, if you are already receiving the monthly update, then we already have your email address. And we do not give your email address to anybody. Ever.



Have you purchased your CFOL "Love Your Library" puzzle yet?



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## **Coming Events**

and Sherman Avenue. This is our primary fundraiser.
 First Friday Members-only Book Sale, August 7, September 4, and October 2 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Chico Branch Library, East First Avenue and Sherman Avenue.
 The CFOL Board meets the 3rd Tuesday of every month, starting at 7 p.m. at the Chico Branch Library, East First Avenue and Sherman Avenue. The meetings are open to the public, so come visit with us on July 21, August 18, and September 15.
 The Library's Summer Reading Programs continue through the end of July. Drop in at the Library to find out

more, or check out the Chico Branch Library's online calendar at http://www.buttecounty.net/bclibrary!

CFOL's regular **Book Sale** is open every Saturday, 9 to 11:30 a.m. at the Chico Branch Library, East First Avenue

See the CFOL calendar online at http://chicolibrary.org/index.php/cfolgooglecalendar See the Butte County Library online at http://www.buttecounty.net/bclibrary

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