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FoL Book Sales and donations are suspended until further notice.

All branches are closed to the public until further notice. Curbside pickup will be offered starting May 21.



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Chico Branch
1108 Sherman Ave,
Chico, CA 95926

Durham Branch
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Durham, CA 95938

Gridley Branch
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Gridley, CA 95948

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1820 Mitchell Ave,
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NEWSLETTER

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News

Returns and Curbside Pickup

Starting May 21, Butte County Library will begin accepting returns and offering curbside service for holds pickup. *If you have holds, we will contact you to schedule a time for pickup.*

Patrons will be able to reserve items in their [library account](#) or by [calling or emailing us](#) starting May 26. We are available by phone Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

All in-person services are still suspended until further notice. Our [E-Resources](#) are available 24/7.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation during this time, and we hope to see you soon.

Stay connected with us on our Social Media!



Storytimes!

Join Our Virtual Programs On Facebook!

Mondays at 11 a.m. :

Literacy Coach Storytelling with David and Julissa

Tuesdays at 11 a.m. :

Preschool Storytime with Sheryl

Wednesdays at 11 a.m. :

Storytime with Thu

Fridays at 11 a.m. :

Babies Love Books with Kimberlee

Sundays at 5 p.m. :

Agent P with Avery



Resource Spotlight

Comics Available on Hoopla

In addition to TVs and Movies, Butte County Library also offers Comics through Hoopla.

[Check It Out !](#)

Interested in E-Resources only?

Get an e-Card!

Live in Butte County but don't have a library card? Good news! Butte County residents can now get an e-Card to get instant access to our digital collections without first having to visit a library branch! An e-Card offers you access to the following resources:

e-Media:

Download e-books, audiobooks, e-magazines; stream movies and TVs.

Research & Homework:

Browse catalog, access to online databases, newspaper archives, genealogy tools, professional magazines, and scholarly journals, Britannica School Edition, Britannica Escolar, Chilton Library, Kids Infobits, Medline Plus, World Book Online.

Online Learning:

Basic Skills Tutorials, High School, College Prep, Career, Grad School, GED, Employment, Practice Tests.

[Get an e-Card](#)

You will receive your Username and e-Card Number by email within in one (1) business day after registration.

Literacy Updates

Family Literacy Tip

Many of us are helping our school-age children learn at home. Checking comprehension and taking tests are important skills for learning, especially for 3rd grade through high school. We would like to offer you Tips for Active Readers, created for caregivers as part of Butte County Library's Family Literacy Services with funding from California Library Literacy Services.

[Active Reader Tip #1](#)

A Message to Our Volunteer Tutors and Literacy Students



[Watch Video](#)

FEATURED CONTENT

The Faceless Old Woman Who Secretly Lives in Your Home

by Joseph Frink & Jeffrey Cranor



The Faceless Old Woman Who Secretly Lives in Your Home is one of the more prominent characters from the podcast Welcome to Night Vale (WTNV). In the show, she is voiced by Mara Wilson, best known as the child actor who played Matilda in the film of the same name. She also reads the audiobook version of this book. Night Vale has been described as "a town in that desert where all conspiracy theories were real" by creator Joseph Frink, and the show comes off as surrealist sci-fi horror in the same wheelhouse as a modern "The Twilight Zone." It's weird and admittedly not for everyone (I mean, one of the characters is literally named The Faceless Old Woman Who Secretly Lives in Your Home). The podcast is set up as a community radio broadcast and revolves around the life of the show's host, Cecil Palmer. He narrates the ups and downs of living in a small town, while peppering in "public service announcements." There is always an intermission for "the weather" featuring music from a whole host of genres by independent artists. The show has been going on since 2012, so if this summary intrigues you, there are quite a few episodes available for free on whatever platform you use to listen to podcasts.

Butte County Library owns all of the WTNV books. There are four script books containing transcripts of the podcast episodes. The novels Welcome to Night Vale and It Devours! are spin-offs of the main storyline; they take place in the same setting as the show, but the books and show plots are independent enough from one another that you do not have to understand one to understand the other. The Faceless Old Woman Who Secretly Lives in Your Home is much the same. It focuses on the first-person narrative of The Faceless Old Woman, and alternates between her past and her present. How they tie together is a bittersweet commentary on living life hyperfocused on seeking vengeance. I have read all the WTNV spin-off novels, and I enjoyed this one the most so far. Part of the reason may be that The Count of Monte Cristo is one of my favorite books, and The Faceless Old Woman's recollection of her past held similar notes in setting and a plot revolving around drawn out revenge.

This book is marketed as adult fiction, but much like the content of the podcasts, would be appropriate reading for older teens as well.

A Book Review by Andrea Liao

We need *Secret Agents* who can help Agent P (Avery, our Countywide Children's Librarian) to help the people of the Kingdom of Imagination with some of their tasks.

We need kids and kids-at-heart who can:

- build
- be creative
- use their imagination
- have fun!

A new task is posted on our Facebook every Sunday at 5:00 p.m. You will have all week to complete the task. Can we count on you?

Post your pictures in the comments below the task videos on our Facebook.

For the Kingdom!



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