

# Will your library be here after June?

- ❖ Butte County Library funding is proposed to be **cut in half** beginning July 1
  - From \$3.1 million in June 2008 to \$1.5 million for fiscal year 2009-2010 which starts this July
  - From 39 staff to 13 staff (1 staff member per 17,000 county residents – the worst ratio in the state!)
- ❖ Hours will be reduced 71% - from a total of **219** hours to only **60** hours
  - **12 hours per week** each for Chico, Oroville, Paradise & Gridley, **6 hours** each for Durham & Biggs
  - Community meeting room availability will be limited to library hours or eliminated
- ❖ Library services will be bare bones
  - **Elimination** of reference desk, Literacy Coach, Bookmobile, Books by Mail, and requests from other branches or library systems
  - **Restrictions** in children's programs, online databases, and computer access
  - **No budget** for books, magazines, or newspapers.

## **KEEP IT OPEN!**

- ❖ Call or write your Butte County Supervisor.
  - Ask that library funding not be cut further than the current 23% and to restore funds a.s.a.p.
  - Ask them to support a ballot measure that could provide stable funding for our libraries.
- ❖ Attend the **May 19<sup>th</sup> County Supervisors' Meeting**
  - Location: County Government Center, 25 County Center Drive, Oroville
  - Wear red, speak up.
  - Bring every library supporter you know with you.
- ❖ Purchase and install a license plate holder - **KEEP IT OPEN!**
- ❖ Support your local Friends of the Library group.
  - Your **tax-deductible donation** can purchase books, furniture, equipment, and special programs.

## **BUTTE CO LIBRARY**

### **Butte County Supervisors:**

Dist. 1: **Bill Connelly**  
538-6834  
[bconnelly@buttecounty.net](mailto:bconnelly@buttecounty.net)  
5280 Lower Wyandotte Road  
Oroville, CA 95966

Dist. 2: **Jane Dolan**  
891-2830  
[jdolan@buttecounty.net](mailto:jdolan@buttecounty.net)  
196 Memorial Way  
Chico, CA 95926

Dist. 3: **Maureen Kirk**  
891-2800  
[mkirk@buttecounty.net](mailto:mkirk@buttecounty.net)  
196 Memorial Way  
Chico, CA 95926

Dist. 4: **Steve Lambert**  
538-2514  
[slambert@buttecounty.net](mailto:slambert@buttecounty.net)  
3159 Nelson Road  
Oroville, CA 95965

Dist. 5: **Kim Yamaguchi**  
872-6304  
[kyamaguchi@buttecounty.net](mailto:kyamaguchi@buttecounty.net)  
747 Elliot Road  
Paradise, CA 95969

### **Local Friends of the Library Groups:**

**Chico Friends of the Library**  
PO Box 6952  
Chico, CA 95927  
[www.chicolibrary.org](http://www.chicolibrary.org)

**Durham Friends of the Library**  
PO Box 505  
Durham, CA 95938

**Gridley Friends of the Library**  
PO Box 356  
Gridley, CA 95948  
[www.gridleylibraryfriends.org](http://www.gridleylibraryfriends.org)

**Oroville Friends of the Library**  
1820 Mitchell Avenue  
Oroville, CA 95966  
[www.buttecounty.net/bclibrary/FriendsoftheOrovilleLibrary.htm](http://www.buttecounty.net/bclibrary/FriendsoftheOrovilleLibrary.htm)

**Paradise Friends of the Library**  
PO Box 1730  
Paradise, CA 95967  
[www.pfol.org](http://www.pfol.org)

