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CFOL NEEDS YOU

The CFOL Annual Meeting will take place Tuesday, May 20, at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the Chico Branch of the Butte County Library, 1st and Sherman.

All members are invited. Bob Woods, our guest speaker this year, will relate stories and tales of Ishi. Bob has presented this talk with accompanying slides to many civic and educational assemblies here in the state. It should prove both interesting and enlightening.

As at all Annual Meetings a Financial Statement for the 2007-2008 will be presented by Treasurer Susan Davis. A more in-depth presentation is made at this meeting than is printed from time to time in The Carrel.

During the meeting the election for new officers and board members will take place. The Rules and Regulations of the organization state that the offices of president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary are elected for a two-year period. These offices are staggered to provide continuity with past actions of the organization. Therefore, this year we will be voting for president and

secretary while Vice-president Anne Nordhus and Treasurer Susan Davis will remain at their posts for one more year. The following individuals have agreed to stand for election for the 2008-2009 board:

President Ann Elliot

Member-at-Large

Debbie Cobb
Rob Atkinson
Linda Leahy
Mary Wahl
Gerald Davis
Margaret Bomberg
Louise Agos
Joan Olmstead
Betty Forbes
Marian Milling

The Bylaws of the organization state that the board shall consist of no fewer than 14 and no more than 17 members including officers. For next year's board there are at least one to four openings. We ask that you please consider serving.

The duties are light but are both important and significant to the community. In the last issue of the Carrel was listed the accomplishments of the CFOL as led by the board of the organization. There is only one meeting a month lasting from

one to two hours. The meetings are conducted with collegiality and friendliness while recognizing seriousness of purpose. Anyone interested in serving on the board please contact John Few at 897-0675.

SECRETARY NEEDED

The CFOL board is in need of a member to step up to the bat and run for secretary of the organization. The duties of this office are to take minutes of each meeting and to disseminate them either by email, regular mail or distribution at the next month's meeting. This is a two-year office running from June 2008 to May 2010. For more information or to indicate you would like to stand for election, please contact John Few at 897-0675.

BOOKMARK CONTEST

The winners are in, and a presentation of awards was made April 16 during National Library Week at the Chico Branch of the Butte County Library. As announced in the last Carrel this annual contest for grades K-8 was held during the month of March. Sponsored by the CFOL this event is a great opportunity for young people to display their artistic talents while promoting both reading and the library. *Join the Circle of*

Knowledge was the theme for National Library Week this year and entrants were encouraged, though not required to focus on this aspect of public libraries. In addition to cash prizes, this year's winners will have bookmarks made of their entries for distribution in the library, and their original entries will be displayed along the glass wall separating the Children's room from the circulation desk.

The winners are:
Grades k-2 1st Katherine Ping
2nd Ian Smith 3rd Ben Smith
Grades 3-5 1st Andrew
Urbanowicz 2nd Amanda Havey
3rd Mary Jewel
Grades 6-8 1st Hannah Hull
2nd Elisabeth Urbanowicz 3rd
Natalia Salgado

CLASSIC MOVIES NIGHT

There are two classic movies yet to be viewed during our inaugural season for this program of the CFOL. We next present *All about Eve*, starring Bette Davis, Ann Baxter, Gary Merrill, Celeste Holm and others including a rare first glimpse of Marilyn Monroe. As Margo Channing says, "Fasten your seat belts, it's going to be a bumpy night." The following month we will be viewing Hitchcock's *North by Northwest*, starring Cary Grant and Audrey Hepburn. A classic thriller, this film continues to keep audiences on

the edges of their seats. *All about Eve* is screened May 14 and *North by Northwest*, June 11, both at 7:00 p.m.

Since the installation of the new audio surround system in the committee room patrons have reported a much greater enjoyment of the films that have been shown.

We will be taking a break from our Classic Movies Night series during the summer months of July, August and September. We return on Tuesday, October 14, with the award winning musical *West Side Story*. Watch for posters and flyers announcing the new season's showings. If there is a particular classic film you might wish to view on a larger screen with surround sound let us know and we will consider adding it to our line up for next year. You can get in touch with John Few at 897-0675.

COOKBOOK

Volunteers, library staff, friends and other interested persons – we want your recipes, especially ones you may have made for potluck luncheons and dinners over the years. Please write, copy or cut and paste your recipe onto the enclosed form. Be sure to include your name, phone number and email address. If there is something – say love, a secret ingredient, special herbs or spices, old

family tradition – that makes your recipe special, please let us know. Also indicate your connection to the library, whether volunteer, CFOL board member, County Library Advisory Board member, avid reader, read to your children every night, etc. Recipes for and from children and young adults are also encouraged, so indicate that if pertinent. You may send up to five recipes which should be turned in at the library circulation desk stating that it is for the CFOL Cookbook. If you have questions please contact Susan Davis, CFOL treasurer at 345-1255 or gmasue1@att.net. We will need typing and proofreading assistance for this project and if you wish to help, call Susan at the number listed above. Funds generated from sales of the cookbooks will be donated to the Chico branch of the Butte County Library to purchase new books. The cookbooks will be ready in October in time to consider them as reasonably-priced holiday gifts.

Be sure to check out the Library during the summer – there will be many activities and programs, from children to adult

MEET MELISSA



Melissa Ramos is the third in our series highlighting staff members who are currently enrolled in the Master of Library Science program at California State University, San Jose.

A Chico native, Melissa is a product of public schools from Kindergarten through California State University, Chico.

However, there were times she studied abroad at Merida, Mexico and Santiago, Chile. Ultimately she earned a Bachelor of Arts in Spanish and Latin American Studies. By the end of that year Melissa found herself as a volunteer shelver in the Children's Room of the Chico branch of the Butte County Library. In January 2005 she was working as an AmeriCorps member with the county Literacy Services and continued in that capacity for a two-year period.

During this period Melissa was hired as extra help for Literacy Services and to help out at the Circulation desk at the Chico Branch of the Butte County Library. It was while employed

in this capacity that she helped co-coordinate the FFL (Families for Literacy), ELLI (English Language Literacy Intensive), and PAL (Partners and Learners) projects.

Melissa was hired this month as a Senior Library Assistant in Children's Services at the Chico Branch. All are eager to have her on board.

In her spare time Melissa likes to travel the world; hike various trails open to the more adventurous; cook unique and ethnic vegetarian cuisine; attend live music concerts; and be a child again by swinging in the park

FOND FAREWELL

The editor of the Carrel and the entire board of the CFOL give grateful thanks to our President Macy Kelly. After two and a half years at the helm she has decided to step down and work in the background. Macy was editor of the newsletter in 2006 when the current president of our organization found he could no longer fill that post. Macy agreed to fill the post for the last six months left of the term only to be elected for another two years. Macy has accomplished much and has proven to have extraordinary leadership qualities. For this and her unflinching dedication to both the Chico Friends of the Library and the Chico Branch of the library we thank you! Macy, you will be greatly missed.

Ongoing Events

CFOL monthly meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month in the library Community Room. The public is invited.

Saturday Book Sale

The 9:30 -11:30 weekly Book Sale is the primary means of obtaining funds for the CFOL. Many volunteers help to keep this worthy endeavor a favorite Saturday pastime in Chico.

CFOL Website

The new website is your best resource for obtaining daily information regarding the Chico Friends of the Library. The URL for the site is:
www.chicolibrary.org

If you have any information you would like to share with the CFOL or ask them a question please use the site's "contact" button.

Memberships

February was the month for CFOL membership renewal. If you have not renewed your membership or completely forgotten where you put the last Carrel with the pertinent information along with an envelope drop us a line or check out the website and email us and we will get the information to you ASAP. Thanks to all those that have renewed!

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