City of Woodland

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E-NEWSLETTER

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January eNewsletter

This eNewsletter is part of the city's effort to keep residents informed of the latest issues and happenings. Each month city departments provide brief info items for your perusal. When you find an item of interest, click on the underlined link and you will be taken to a fuller discussion of that piece of news. If it motivates you to contact a city official or staff member, click on the appropriate name on the left. It's that simple. For further information about city events, go to the Woodland home page.

Woodland residents and businesses urged to offer their views on the City budget process through "Your City, Your Voice"

The City of Woodland, like nearly all other local governments, faces another year of challenging decisions due to the current economic climate. As a means of drawing attention to the annual budget process, a community engagement initiative called "Your City, Your Voice" has been launched. Click here to find out how your views on the City's budget can become considered as part of the process.

Public Works - Did you know...?

Did you know that the Public Works Department administers an Industrial Pretreatment Program which supports the City's Sewer, Wastewater and Storm Water utilities? <u>Click here</u> for more information!

November-December Water Use "Dashboard"

<u>Click here</u> for the November-December water use update. Visit the City's <u>Water Conservation</u> web page for water use data from previous months and for:

- A description of the City's Water Conservation Initiative
- Indoor and outdoor water conservation tips
- Links to fun websites for kids and educators
- Information on water use and energy consumption
- Links to many additional sources of information on local and regional water use and conservation

Environmental Services reminds residents, businesses and City Departments to cut back on winter landscape watering and to reset your irrigation controllers for the cooler, wetter weather. Go to www.cityofwoodland.orghttp://web.cityofwoodland.org/waterconservation to learn more.

Parenteen - Playground & Online Parenting

Click here to read about online safety and our children.

First Community Kwanzaa held at Library

<u>Follow this link</u> to read about Woodland's First Community Kwanzaa held at the Woodland Public Library.

Acclaimed Author and Inspirational Speaker Sandy Holman at Woodland Public Library

Sandy Holman will offer an exciting and interactive program at the Woodland Public Library on Thursday, January 28, 2010 at 4 PM entitled "We All Have a Heritage: Exploring our Culture."

Utilizing storytelling, music and dance, Ms. Holman will entertain and engage her audience. Although the program focus targets second to sixth graders, the entire community is welcomed for this program, sponsored by the Woodland Friends of the Library, which promises to uplift and inspire.

Sandy Holman has presented to thousands of youth and adults on a variety of topics such as diversity, the achievement gap, early childhood education, literacy, school success, resiliency, addressing the whole child and character education. She received her BA in psychology from UC Davis and her MS in school counseling from CSU Sacramento. She has received national, regional, and local awards for her books and presentations. These include the Human Relations Commission award for her efforts in Community Education and Awareness, a Martin Luther King recognition award and awards from Stepping Stones, Writers Digest and Blackboard for her children's books. She was honored along with Al Gore, Quincey Jones, and other notable authors for her work in Multi-Cultural Children's Literature in New York City, and received the Blackboard Children's Book of the Year Award for her first book, *Grandpa, Is Everything Black Bad?* Her books are expanding the way people view literature for children and are being used in schools at all levels of education including training programs for educators. The upcoming program will be based upon her second book, *We All Have a Heritage*. A flyer is attached and more information is available at the Culture C.O.-O.P. website https://www.cultureco-op.com/. Mark your calendar today and plan to attend.

Woodland Public Library Benefits from Volunteerism among Local Professionals and Organizations

Through the efforts of the professionals associated with Woodland Sunrise Rotary, the library will soon feature a state of the art computer laboratory for public use. <u>Click here</u> for more information.

Deadline for 2010 Community Service Awards Nominations is Fast Approaching

Just a reminder that the deadline for accepting nominations for the 2010 Community Service Awards is Friday, January 29, 2010. <u>Click here</u> for more information.

Historic Woodland Train Depot

Over the years, the Historic Woodland Train Depot has been more than just a place to catch a train. Click here to view the latest issue of RAILHEAD and read more about the Depot.

January 2010, Ana Gonzalez, ed.