

Sweeeeeeeet!

Library fans claim candy prize



Empire residents and library fans, Priscilla Hernandez, left, and Mayra Gamez, center, get ready to split the candy jar presented by Marye Martinez, right, President of the Friends of the Empire Library. Priscilla is a student at Johansen High and Mayra attends Empire School. Both use the library often and both guessed the correct number of pieces in the jar. It will be back this summer. Visit the library with a friend and make a guess.

YOU must do it!

YOU . . . right now! -- can really make a difference between your library being threatened with closure or continuing to serve our community.

Library funding is up for renewal in the June election. This is nothing new . . . it has been in effect for many years and has been renewed before by Stanislaus voters.

You can help get the message to Empire area voters – and some things you can do with no expense of time.

How?

◆ You can put a sign in your yard encouraging a “YES on Measure T” vote.

◆ You can remind friends and neighbors to look for Measure T on the ballot – it is way down toward the bottom – and be sure to vote Yes.

If you can give even a little of your time you can also help by:

◆ Distributing fliers around your neighborhood,

◆ Working at an information table.

◆ Organizing your scout troop, 4-H, or other group to help distribute materials.

Our library does so much for our community.

YOU can help it keep on giving.

Contact Jim Sterling (578-3577) or Lois Frantz (604-8027) for more information.

Book sale set; donate used books

The third annual Friends of the Empire Library used book sale is set for Friday and Saturday, April 27-28.

Funds raised will be used to enhance services and materials offered at the library.

Books sold must be in good readable condition. You can support our library by donating

your used books. Drop them in at the library.

A “preview sale” will be held for FOEL members Wed, April 25, from 3 to 5 p.m.

(See donation guidelines page 2.)

FOEL Bookmarks

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YES on T 
SAVES LIBRARIES – NO NEW TAXES

YOU are invited!

Please help us celebrate library's 100th Birthday

There will be cake, refreshments, and all the trimmings at the 100th birthday celebration for the Stanislaus County Free Library at the Empire Branch.

There will also be crafts and many kinds of fun. Activities start at 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 18th.

The event will be co-hosted by the library and staff and the

Book Notes

Don't You Know There's a War Going On?

By AVI

World War II is on everyone's mind and in every headline and Howie Crispers has a hunch that his school principal is a spy!

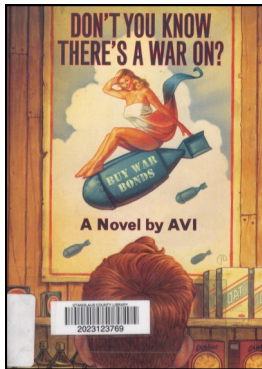
With a little snooping around, Howie finds out something even more alarming. Principal Lomister may not be a spy, but he is plotting to get rid of Howie's favorite teacher.

Howie's dad is fighting Nazis overseas, and his mom is working hard to support the war effort, so Miss Gossim is the only person Howie can depend on.

With the help of his friends, and a plan worthy of radio show superhero Captain Midnight, Howie intends to save Miss Gossim!

This is another page-turner from AVI, the author of more than 60 books for children and young adults, including Newbery Award-winning *Crispin: Cross of Lead*, the *Poppy* series and *The Good Dog*.

Reserve your copy today!



Friends of the Empire Library.
Please join us for the fun!

StoryTime

StoryTime is a free activity at 10:30 every Friday. Bring your kids, grand-kids, nieces, nephews – even the neighbor kids. You'll do them a great favor!



Empire Library
18 South Abbie St

Big Book Sale!

Friday April 27
11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



Saturday April 28
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Huge Selection!
Clean used books



**Mysteries, Romances,
Adventures, Biographies,
"How to Do Its"**

Children's Stories ... and MORE!

Paperbacks 50¢ Hardcover \$1

Kids books "Special Pricing"

Information:
Merye Martinez 523-0449
Jim Sterling 578-3577

Help the Library! Donate books

Drop your clean used books off at the library before the 27th. Friends of the Empire Library will sell them to raise money for our branch library's activities.

What can be donated?: Most gently used books and media.

What cannot be used?: Magazines (including National Geographic), patterns and puzzles, Readers' Digest condensed books, most textbooks, encyclopedias, or reference books over three years old, anything previously owned by other libraries, empty CD/DVD cases.

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Experience shows these don't sell and we must pay for recycling or to dispose of them. That doesn't seem a good use of our limited funds.