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YOLO COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FUND RECEIVES GIFT

March, 2008 -- Woodland, CA. The Yolo Community Foundation has announced receipt of a special

gift from Mary Stephens DeWall and Lester DeWall. The DeWalls have given a significant gift

designated as increased support for the Yolo County Library Staff Enrichment fund inaugurated by the

DeWalls in 2006. The Yolo County Library Staff Enrichment Fund was established to support

enrichment programs for training Yolo County Library Staff.

Cath Posehn, Yolo Community Foundation Director, remarked that "This bequest is not only a

significant contribution to the asset base of this fund, but also a clear example of the unique

effectiveness of a local community foundation. The mission of the Yolo Community Foundation is to

match the philanthropic interests of donors with the needs and opportunities of the Yolo County

community. Stephens DeWall is a lifelong resident and as the recently retired Yolo County Librarian

she is in a unique position to understand the opportunities available to library staff. An outsider might

not have understood the need for a protected resource to secure the future professionalism needed in a

library serving the diverse and active Yolo community."

Stephens DeWall said the Yolo Community Foundation is the ideal vehicle "to make this

happen." Yolo Community Foundation promotes philanthropy that benefits the Yolo County region.

Yolo Community Foundation's purpose is to create a lasting resource, committed to building civic

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investment and community involvement. Yolo Community Foundation hopes to establish a tradition of generosity that has led many people to invest their time and philanthropic dollars to support the common good. Their mission is "To match the philanthropic interests of donors with the needs and opportunities of the Yolo County community."

Yolo Community Foundation offers donors of any means a variety of ways to help build a permanent legacy for the people of Yolo County. For more information, email <a href="mailto:info@yolocf.org">info@yolocf.org</a> or call 530-312-0593.

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