

## Letter to the Editor

### Library levy deserves yes vote

Ballots have been mailed and Warrenton voters have a choice to support their local library by voting 'yes' on Measure 4-189, or, let the library close for good.

The building in Hammond, where the library had previously been located was in dire straits. The library outgrew the building, services were limited and it could not maintain a level of quality without additional funding.

Over the summer, the library made a significant move to a larger, more centrally located building near City Hall. Since its move, membership has increased and so has computer usage.

A library is a central cornerstone of any healthy community. It supports a range of resources for learning. It plays a vibrant role in the development of a culture by promoting reading, and it provides the essential qualities in making readers for life.

Warrenton is growing by population and economics. Increased population equals more demands on our local library and its staff.

Passage of Measure 4-189 will increase Saturday and evening library hours, provide more children's programs and add adult programs. It will allow an increase in staff to accommodate the extended hours and influx of visitors. And it will allow the library to become more efficient with a digital book checkout system and e-books, bringing the library into the 21st century.

To learn more about what a "yes" vote will do for Warrenton Community Library, go to [www.savethewarrentonlibrary.com](http://www.savethewarrentonlibrary.com).

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