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## Roundup time at the library

**SANTA CRUZ** — This is National Library Week, and Margaret Waller of the Santa Cruz Public Library has announced that it will also be Fine Free Week as an encouragement for those holding long overdue materials.

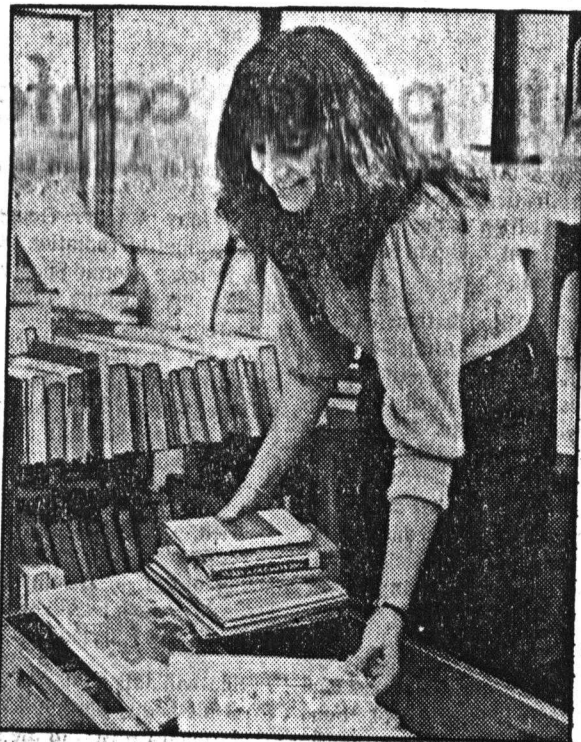
Books may be returned to city and county libraries through Saturday at no charge.

The Santa Cruz Main Library is featuring a display on overdue, lost and damaged materials during this week to make patrons aware of the great cost of unreturned materials, she said. Watsonville and Santa Cruz libraries have over 7,387 overdue items a month, or 88,644 a year.

Mark Moore, overdues clerk for the Santa Cruz Main Library, says that nearly 500 people have from \$2 to \$125 worth of overdues out after one year, and cost to the taxpayer is up to \$200 per week (or \$10,000 per year) to process and mail overdue notices.

The average replacement cost per book, he says, is \$25, counting labor and supplies.

Materials checked out from any of the libraries may be returned at any other library during open hours, or placed in outside book drops (no AV materials should be put in the outside drops).



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Library worker Sheila O'Neil

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