



Library Chats...

for the love of books



Friends of the Chatsworth Library Newsletter

Chatsworth Branch Library: 21052 Devonshire St., Chatsworth, CA 91311
(818) 341-4276

April 2009 Quarterly Newsletter



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| LIBRARY HOURS | (818) 341-4276 |
| Mondays & Wednesdays | 10:00 am – 8:00 pm |
| Tuesdays & Thursdays | 12:00 noon– 8:00 pm |
| Fridays & Saturdays | 10:00 am – 6:00 pm |
| Sundays | Closed |
| Major Holidays | Closed |

SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES:

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| Book Club | Community Room |
| April 1 (Wed) | 1:00 - 2:30 pm |
| Friends Meeting | Community Room |
| April 15 (Wed) | 7:00 – 8:00 pm |
| Book Sale | Community Room |
| April 17 set-up (Fri) | 2:00 – 4:00 pm |
| April 18 (Sat) | 10:00 am – 2:00 pm |
| Book Club | Community Room |
| May 6 (Wed) | 1:00 - 2:30 pm |
| Friends Meeting | Community Room |
| May 20 (Wed) | 7:00 – 8:00 pm |
| Book Sale | Community Room |
| July 18 (Sat) | 10:00 am – 2:00 pm |

LIBRARY STAFF

Head Librarian: Bruce Seidman
 Adult Librarian: Linda Capicotto
 Young Adult Librarian: Tammy Niblett
 Children's Librarian: Elizabeth Tracton

FRIENDS OF THE CHATSWORTH LIBRARY OFFICERS

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| President: | Ann Vincent |
| Vice-President | John Thorpe |
| Secretary: | Zena Thorpe |
| Treasurer: | Ray Vincent |
| Membership: | Dottie Acker |
| Program: | Linda Capicotto |
| Book Sales: | Jo Ann Stipkovich Gretchen Martin John Thorpe |
| Newsletter: | Ann Vincent |
| Book Club: | Aita Soovere |
| Member-at-large: | Irene Nalbandian |
| Member-at-large: | Jaak Soovere |
| Member-at-large: | Ken Garr |

Join us for our

Giant Book Sale Saturday, April 18th 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Our quarterly Giant Book sale is quickly approaching. We once again have thousands of books we have been collecting to make available to the public and our members.

As usual we have almost new hard-bound books and a huge selection of paperbacks to stock up on for your reading pleasure, at a fraction of the cost of new books. Hardbound books are \$1.00 and paperbacks and videos are only 50 cents each.

These books are generously donated by Library patrons in our community to be recycled and enjoyed by others and to allow the Friends of the Library to raise funds for additional Library books, supplies and programs for the community. Tell your friends to schedule April 18th for some great book bargains.

Be sure to participate in our new Gift Basket Raffle held at the Book Sale. Tickets are available Friday at set-up and Saturday during the sale. You do not have to be present to win.

*** SPECIAL EVENT FOR MEMBERS ONLY:** Drop by Friday, **April 17th from 2:00 to 4:00 pm** as we set up for the Saturday book sale. We will sell books Friday afternoon to members only, so drop by to help us set out the books and see what we have to offer at this special preview sale.

Next scheduled Giant Book Sale: July 18th

BOOK SALE – RAFFLE WINNER

Ellaine G. of Chatsworth

Friends of the Chatsworth Library wish to thank Trader Joe's Market in Chatsworth for their generous contribution of a giant-sized shopping bag stuffed with delicious food items. This eye-catching prize received a lot of attention at our January Book Sale! The winner of the gift bag was Ellaine G. of Chatsworth

Bring a few extra dollars to our April 18th Book Sale and see what our new prize will be!



FROM THE FRIENDS PRESIDENT:

Ann Vincent, President

Following our recent election in February, our new and returning officers are listed in the left column. Thanks to each of you, who have volunteered to serve for the next year.

The Friends of the Chatsworth Library would like to recognize John Thorpe for his dedication and service to the Chatsworth Public Library. John has been an active member of the organization since its founding in 1982, serving as president during 10 of those years. He helped coordinate and run book sales that were originally held outside on the front lawn of the old library building. He also assisted coordinating storage and held at the Chatsworth Historic Acre while the new library building was under construction. A Citizen of the Year recipient for 1991-1992, John has continued his commitment to the community as President of the Friends of the Library since the library was reopened Nov 14, 2004. John is continuing to support us by focusing on book sales, coordinating volunteers and volunteering hours each week at our book store in the library that is open to the public. His leadership over the years has made a difference and placed the Friends of the Chatsworth Library in the top 5 of the Friends Organizations supporting the 72 public libraries in the City of Los Angeles.

PROGRAMS AT THE CHATSWORTH BRANCH LIBRARY

Updated information can be found for each month at www.lapl.org
Go to: About the Library select Branch Libraries, then select Chatsworth

Adult

- **Apr 18 - Giant Booksale**
10:00 AM
Huge quarterly booksale. Great selection at low low prices.
- **May 04 - Basic Internet**
10:05 AM
Learn how to use the internet as well as the LAPL Databases. CALL TO REGISTER!
- **May 06 - Book Club**
1:00 PM
The Book Club will be discussing "Elmer Gantry" by Sinclair Lewis.
- **May 18 - Basic Internet**
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- **Jun 03 - Book Club**
1:00 PM
The Book Club will be discussing "Three Cups of Tea" by Greg Mortenson.

Children

- **Apr 16 - Kid's Book Club**
4:00 PM
Kid's Book Club
Join other 3rd to 6th graders in a lively discussion about your favorite books.
- **Apr 29 - Spring Stories**
4:00 PM
Spring Stories
Join us for spring stories.

Resources:

Electronic Resources – All branch libraries provide free access to computer workstations which are connected to the Library's information network. In addition to providing Internet access, these workstations enable the public to search LAPL's many electronic resources including the [online catalog](#), over 100 [subscription databases](#), word processing, language learning, [literacy](#) and a large historic document and photograph collection. Specially designed Web sites are provided for [children](#), [teens](#) and [Spanish](#) speakers.

CHATSWORTH BOOK CLUB

The Chatsworth Library Book Club meets every first Wednesday of the Month from 1-2:30 PM in the Library Meeting Room. Our members choose the books that they want to read so we cover a large variety of subjects. Our discussions are fun and insightful. Books can be ordered from the Library. Come join us: Our next books will be:

May 6th, “Elmer Gantry” by Sinclair Lewis

The story of a young roughneck who abandons his early ambition to become a lawyer and embarks on a career in the ministry.

June 3rd, “Three Cups of Tea” by Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin

About a dangerous and difficult quest to build schools in the wildest parts of Pakistan and Afghanistan.

July 1st, “People of the Book” by Geraldine Brooks

Traces the perilous journey and miraculous survival of a mysterious illuminated manuscript through five centuries of European History.

August 5th, “The English American” by Alison Larkin

About an adopted American Girl raised in England who searches for her birth parents. A gripping story of nature versus nurture.

September 2nd, “A Thousand Splendid Suns” by Khaled Hosseini

Chronicles thirty years of Afghan history and is a deeply moving story of family, friendship, faith, and the salvation to be found in love.

October 7th, “The Thirteenth Tale” by Diane Setterfield

About a best selling author famous for inventing stories about her past, who finally decides to tell the unbelievable truth about her life.

DID YOU KNOW ?

....Donated books do make a difference for our library. The library gets first pick over all donated used books and has been able to select many of the books donated that are recent and in good condition. The rest are stored for our giant book sale and sold each week in our book store room in the library.

The Friends of the Library uses the money earned at these sales to help the Chatsworth library purchase additional recently published books to keep the selection of books current. Older books from the library shelves are then recycled at our book sales, to make way for the new.



CHATSWORTH COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

Be sure to look into some of these outstanding events:

6th Annual Day of the Horse – April 18
Sponsored by the Chatsworth Neighborhood Council is Saturday, April 18 -- a free, fun day for the whole family. 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. festival at Ride On Therapeutic Horsemanship, 21126 Chatsworth St.



Winner of the Neighborhood Council's Equestrian Poster Contest

4th Grader John Francis of Saint John Eudes School.

400 students participated in the competition

Earth Day Cleanup – April 25

Volunteers meet 9 a.m., **Saturday, April 25**, at Chatsworth Park North. Projects include a graffiti paint-out, sandbox sifting and trash pick-up. Bring gloves.

Free Trees and Re-usable Shopping bags will be distributed as long as they last. Program sponsored by Council Smith's office.

Garden Festival - April 26



There will be arts and crafts, gardening, food booths, demonstrations, the Polynesian Dance Revue, a quilting display and more. Proceeds benefit the Chatsworth Historical Society.

Free parking is available at the Chatsworth Depot Train Station parking and there will be free shuttle buses to the

festival from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. The Homestead Acre is located within Chatsworth Park South at the end of Devonshire St, west of Topanga Canyon Blvd.

Chatsworth Community Council

Awards Banquet May 15th

Individuals nominated by various Chatsworth community organizations are honored for Service to the Community. The 2009 Citizen of the Year is presented. This year the Friends of the Library has recognized three individuals for outstanding Community Service. Elaine Campbell, John Thorpe and Jelena Csanyi.

BOOK ROOM VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Can you volunteer for a few hours once a week or once a month?



This cheerful group, ready to assist you at our next book sale, includes Jo Ann Stipkovich, seated along with back row from left to right: Irene Nalbandian, Jelena Csanyi, Gretchen Martin and Dottie Acker. We can always use help at our giant book sales organizing books, keeping them neatly displayed and distributing bags for patrons to collect books in. We can always use your help! It is easy and fun, and a great way to get involved.

During the week our book room contains a small portion of our books collected for the sales. This is another opportunity to volunteer.

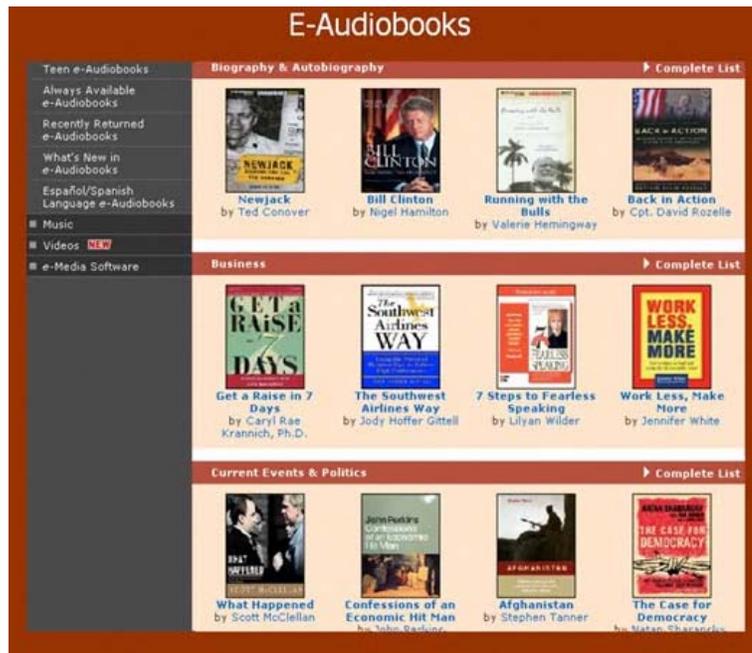
We are trying to expand the hours that this room is open to sell books each day to the patrons visiting the library. Volunteers simply enjoy some quiet time reading while supervising the room or can spend extra energy alphabetizing the collection of fiction books on hand to sell. Whatever you enjoy...we have the perfect spot for you. Call Jo Ann Stipkovich at (818) 519-1148 or John Thorpe at (818) 882-3572 and sign-up to help.

BOOK DONATIONS ACCEPTED

Good condition "like new" books should be taken to the front desk of the library to be donated. Children's books are always appreciated and sell quickly. Many parents with children and many teenagers use the library after school and visit the Friends Room to find books.

TRY SOMETHING NEW e-BOOKS

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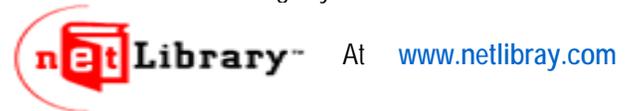


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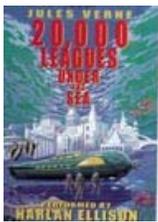
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FRIENDS OF THE CHATSWORTH LIBRARY

Goals:

To assist the Library and Staff by raising funds to acquire additional books, resources and program opportunities that will enhance the educational outreach to our community.

How you can help:

Donate used books that may be added to the shelves of the library or sold by the Friends to raise funds to purchase books, library aids or sponsor community programs. Donated Books, CD's, Tapes and Videos can be dropped off at the Library and are tax deductible.

How can you join FRIENDS?

Membership application envelopes are available at the library desk, or mail the form included in this newsletter to the address shown. Members receive the Friends Newsletter "Library Chats" and invitations to special book sales.

Participate in our Monthly Friends Meetings:

Scheduled the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 7 to 8 pm at the library. We do not meet in July and August.

Volunteer to help staff our Book Store room:

Contact Jo Ann at (818) 519-1148 to schedule time to help sell books to the library patrons.

Thank you for your participation, it makes it possible for all of us to continue to provide a valuable service to our community.

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