

# Library Chats...

for the love of books



## Friends of the Chatsworth Library Newsletter

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www.laplchatsworthfriends.org



<b>LIBRARY HOURS</b>	<b>(818) 341-4276</b>
Mondays	10:00 am – 8:00 pm
Tuesdays	12:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Wednesdays	10:00 am – 8:00 pm
Thursdays	12:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Fridays	9:30 am – 5:30 pm
Saturdays	9:30 am – 5:30 pm
Sundays	Closed
Major Holidays	Closed

### SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES:

See newsletter for a list of scheduled events.

Or visit our Friends Calendar at  
[www.laplchatsworthfriends.org](http://www.laplchatsworthfriends.org)

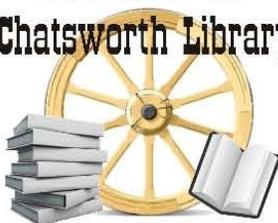
### LIBRARY STAFF

Senior Librarian: Jan Metzler

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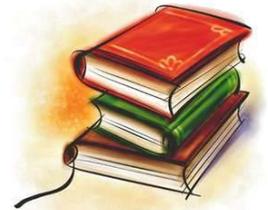


## Join us at our Giant Book Sale Saturday, April 16th 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Plenty of New-Used books to read!

Our quarterly Giant Book sale is almost here. It's time to get some like-new books at special prices. 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.



**MEMBERS ONLY:** Drop by Friday, **April 15<sup>th</sup>** 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.

If you miss this one, our next book sale will be July 16, 2016.

## President's Report

*President - Ann Vincent*

If you haven't taken the time...stop and browse the art work and displays at the library. Our stained glass window, the stacked book art sculptures, our soft stuffed toys that change clothes from season to season. And when you get a chance, step into our Friends Book Room, purchase a book for \$1 and see how much fun our volunteers have decorating for each season.

The Summer Reading Program is just around the corner and something new has been added. During the same time that the Childrens and Teen programs are held, an Adult program will be included. The theme is READ for the Win...and will feature Olympic sports, competition etc, with prizes and fun for all.

Ann Vincent, President

## JUDGING A BOOK BY IT'S COVER - Aka (50 cents well spent)

I admit it; I judged a book by its cover. I was at the Chatsworth Friends quarterly book sale and picked up "Stolen Away" by Max Allan Collins (1991) purely on the fact that Clive Cussler endorsed it as an interesting alternate time line read. Hmm, well I thought, I have enjoyed Clive Cussler books in the past and its style and depth of his storylines, so I paid the 50 cents to take the paperback home. The book was about the Lindbergh baby kidnapping from the perspective of a fictional Chicago police detective. I enjoyed the book thoroughly, but paused after reading the first few chapters, to brush up on the real events of the kidnapping and the people involved. When I resumed reading the book, I noticed that Collins had done his research as well, and used every single person involved with the case as part of his storyline, and how his fictional police detective interacted with said individuals throughout the case, and provided insight and perspective from his point of view, and a proposed ending that was different than the historical outcome. I felt the book was about 50 pages too long for me in the middle, but the latter part of the book really picked up and I liked the "alternative" ending to the case. I also learned something as well. Kidnapping became a federal offense as a result of the true case of the Lindbergh kidnapping. I did not know that, but found it through my additional readings on the subject.

I enjoyed the book enough to look into Max Allan Collins' other books and discovered that his fictional police detective Nathan Heller has also appeared in more than 20 other books. I believe I will look for "Flying Blind" at the library next, as that is about Amelia Earhart and her disappearance. After looking up the writer, he has written other storylines as follows (obtained from Wikipedia). Quarry series (US Marine sniper turned professional assassin), Nolan series (professional thief), Eliot Ness series, books featuring historical disasters, and many others as well as writing the Road to Perdition graphic novels, which was later made into a movie featuring Tom Hanks. All in all, a great paperback found at the Friends of the Chatsworth Library book store, purchased for 50 cents. I wonder what other books that were written more than 20 years ago, that I have missed out on.  
Donna Boswell  
February, 2016

Postscript - I went to LAPL.org website, and found Flying Blind: a novel of Amelia Earhart by Max Allan Collins in the search functions. I placed a hold on the book to be delivered to the Chatsworth Branch from the Downtown Central Library. I will get an email when it is ready for pickup, should be here soon.

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## Scheduled Events

### CHILDRENS PROGRAMS

#### **Saturday Morning Reading Time**

10:30AM to 12:00PM

Mary our STAR volunteer and children come together to share in the joy of reading.

#### **Wednesday Morning Tiny Tots Storytime**

10:30am to 11:00am

--Young children, parents, and caregivers -- join Ms. Susan

### SEATED YOGA

Wednesday Mornings 10:15AM to 11:30AM

Seated Yoga - Enjoy free seated yoga classes!

Work out with Carol  
Dickman's *Seated  
Yoga* DVD.



**VISIT FACEBOOK**

**At Chatsworth Branch Library**

Our staff keeps you informed of daily activities

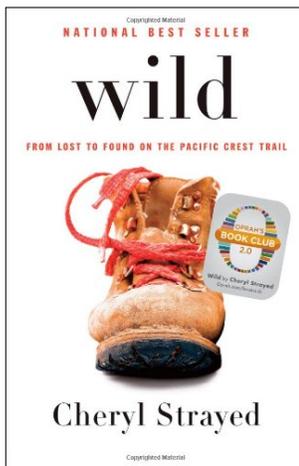
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## Library Book Club

Chairman – Clara Woll

The Chatsworth Library Book Club meets the first Wednesday of every month from 1:00-2:30 PM in the Library Multipurpose Room. Our members choose the books they want to read, so we cover a large variety of subjects, both fiction and non-fiction. Our discussions are fun and insightful. The books can be ordered from the Library. Come join us! Our next books will be:

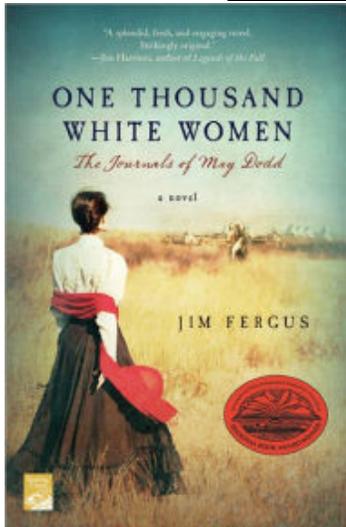
**May 4, 2016 - Wild: from Lost to Found on the**



**Pacific Crest Trail by Cheryl Strayed** – Call # 813 S913S – 2012 – 315 pages

Shattered at age 26 by the death of her mother and the end of her marriage, the author did something way out of the realm of her experience – she took a solo 1,100-mile hike along the Pacific Coast Trail.

**June 1, 2016 – One Thousand White Women: the**



**journals of May Dodd by Jim Fergus** – Fiction- 1998 – 304 pages

The book tells of the “Brides for Indians” program launched in 1875 by the U. S. government under Ulysses S. Grant, to help assimilate Cheyenne Indians into the white man’s world.

## AFTERNOON CHILDREN’S MOVIE

**May 19**  
**MULAN**

88 min.



**“G” Rated**

To save her father from death in the army, a young maiden secretly goes in his place and becomes one of China's greatest heroines in the process.

## POETRY WORKSHOP & CONTEST for Teens

The Los Angeles Public Library invites teen poets (ages 13-19) and spoken word artists to participate in free poetry workshops during April, National Poetry Month. Discover how to take your poetry to the next level and learn more about the Los Angeles Youth Poet Laureate Contest, which offers the chance to win a book deal. For contest information, visit Urban Word’s website at [www.urbanword.org](http://www.urbanword.org).

### **Part 1: April 21 at 4:00 pm**

A teen poetry writing workshop, which includes a performance by a Youth Poet Ambassador.

### **Part 2: April 23 at 1:00 pm**

A poetry portfolio and resume building workshop, with instructions on entering the Los Angeles Youth Poet Laureate Contest for those who are interested.

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for the July bookclub selection prior to the next newsletter.

## THURSDAY AFTERNOON MOVIES

Chairpersons – Zena and John Thorpe



**April 28 @ 1:30PM**

### The Big Short

130 min, "R" Rated

Four denizens in the world of high-finance predict the credit and housing bubble collapse of the mid-2000s, and decide to take on the big banks for their greed and lack of foresight

**May 26 @ 1:30PM**

### Suffragette

106 min, "PG-13" Rated

A Historical drama, set in London. The foot soldiers of the early feminist movement, women who were forced underground to pursue a dangerous game of cat and mouse with an increasingly brutal State.

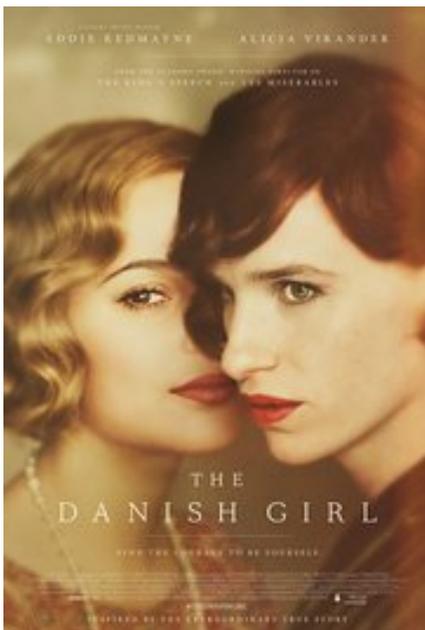


**June 23 @ 1:30PM**

### The Danish Girl

119 min, "R" Rated

A fictitious love story loosely inspired by the lives of Danish artists Lili Elbe and Gerda Wegener. Lili and Gerda's marriage and work evolve as they navigate Lili's groundbreaking journey as a transgender pioneer.





# FRIENDS OF THE CHATSWORTH LIBRARY

## Goals:

To assist the Library and Staff by raising funds to acquire additional books and providing program opportunities that 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, and DVD's can be dropped off at the Library and are tax deductible.

## How can you join FRIENDS?

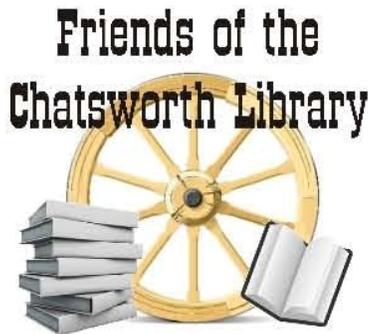
Mail the form included in this newsletter to the address shown. Members receive the Friends Newsletter "Library Chats" and invitations to special book sales and events.

## Our Newsletters are now available on our Website ([www.laplchatsworthfriends.com](http://www.laplchatsworthfriends.com)):

In an effort to save postage and printing costs, our newsletters are now posted on our website for easy access. If you would like to save us the cost of printing and mailing a newsletter to you, please send an email to [chatsworthfriends@gmail.com](mailto:chatsworthfriends@gmail.com) and request to be taken off the list that is printed and mailed. We will add you to our email list and email future newsletters to you, plus you can always get a copy on our website. Every dollar counts!

## Participate in our Monthly Friends Meetings:

Scheduled the second Tuesday of the month from 7 to 8 pm at the library. Please Note: We do not meet in July, August and December.



## Volunteer to help staff our Book Store Room:

Contact the Reference desk or email [chatsworthfriends@gmail.com](mailto:chatsworthfriends@gmail.com) to find out how 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.*

*Membership forms are available in this newsletter and will also be available at the Book Sale.*

*If your dues are due and you receive your newsletter by email... we will send you an email to let you know.*

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**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**

*Is there an \* on your mailing label? Then it's time to RENEW your membership.*