



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

November-December 2005 Newsletter



LIBRARY HOURS (818) 341-4276

Mondays & Wednesdays	12:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Tuesdays & Thursdays	12:30 pm – 5:30 pm
Fridays & Saturdays	10:00 am – 5:30 pm
Sundays	Closed
Major Holidays	Closed

SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES:

Origami Class Dec 3 (Sat)	Community Room 1:00 pm- 4:00 pm
CHILDREN'S PROGRAM December 17 (Sat)	Community Room 2:00 pm
CHUMASH LEGENDS January 18 (Wed)	Community Room 7:00 – 8:00 pm
BOOK SALE January 21 (Sat)	Community Room 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Book Club February 1 (Wed)	Community Room 1:00 - 2:30 pm
Friends Meeting February 15 (Wed)	Community Room 7:00 – 8:00 pm

LIBRARY STAFF

Head Librarian: Bruce Seidman
 Adult Librarian: Linda Capicotto
 Young Adult Librarian: Tammy Niblett
 Young Adult Librarian: Margaret Trivison
 Children's Librarian: Elizabeth Abramson

FRIENDS OF THE CHATSWORTH LIBRARY OFFICERS

President:	John Thorpe
Book Sales Co-Chairpersons:	Jo Ann Stipkovich Gretchen Martin
Treasurer:	Ray Vincent
Secretary:	Zena Thorpe
Membership:	Barbara Pampalone
Program:	Linda Capicotto
Newsletter:	Ann Vincent
Book Club:	Aita Soovere
Member-at-large:	Irene Nalbandian
Member-at-large:	Jaak Soovere
Member-at-large:	Keith Watts

LIBRARY ART PROJECTS

Bruce Seidman, Branch Manager

By the end of the year our three commissioned art projects should be completed.

The first project is random sculptured stacks of books scattered in the courtyard and lobby. Book titles that were suggested by community members have been sand blasted onto the books. Craig Cree Stone who is a Art Professor at Cal State Long Beach is the artist.



On November 15, Artist Mark J. Levy enhanced our library with a Stained Glass project in the windows facing the mini mall next to here.

In December, four colorful woodcuts shaped like the windows in the children's tower of the library will be installed. These woodcut murals depict popular themes from children's literature and express the Joy of reading.

We are grateful for the hard work and dedication of our Friends of the Chatsworth Library. Through their fundraising efforts, we are receiving \$18,000 to buy new books for the library. This will help enhance our collection development and we deeply appreciate it. Please consider joining our friends group or becoming more active in their endeavors.

Holiday Children's Program

Saturday, December 17th at 2 p.m.

Bring your children to enjoy this Holiday Program with stories and refreshments hosted by our Children's Librarian, Elizabeth Abramson.

An Evening of Chumash Poetry and Legends

Noted Chumash poet Georgiana Sanchez whose poetry is featured in "The Sound of Rattlers and Clappers" will present "An Evening of Chumash Poetry and Legends" on Wednesday January 18, 2006 at 7PM in the Chatsworth Library Community Room.

This book is one of the titles included in our book sculptures.

GIANT BOOK SALE – Sat., January 21, 2006

Mark you calendar for our first book sale of the year.....We have been collecting a large number of "previously read" books for you to select from at bargain prices. \$1.00 hardbound and 50 cents paperback. Tell your friends and don't miss out on this opportunity to purchase these "just like new" books.

FROM THE FRIENDS

PRESIDENT:

John Thorpe, President

As we approach the end of the first year of the reopening of the Chatsworth Library, I would like to reflect on the achievements of our "Friends" group of volunteers.

1) Our membership is increasing every month, plus many of the new members are getting involved in the book sales etc. The book store is open for sales most days when the library is open. We are short of fully staffing the store 100% of the time but we are gradually achieving that goal.

2) The book club is now up and running, meeting every month, we have reviewed three books so far. The membership remains at a comfortable level, but if anyone else would like to join then please let Aita Soovere or the library know and I am sure we could accommodate you.

3) During the last year we increased our bank balance with the money generated through some successful book sales. This month we will be giving the LAPL \$18,000.00 to be used by the Chatsworth Branch Library to purchase books etc. So on that bright note, the board members and I would like to wish everyone Happy Holidays and Best Wishes for the New Year.

DID YOU KNOW?

EMAIL LIBRARY SERVICE:

You can be automatically notified by e-mail when your materials are overdue and when items you have reserved are ready for pick-up. These notices are in addition to the "courtesy e-mail notices" which are sent out four days prior to materials being due. Notices can also be sent out in Spanish. To receive all of these notices, an e-mail address needs to be entered into your patron record. To add an e-mail address please visit any branch, or use the Change of Address Form.

THE CHILDREN'S CORNER

Elizabeth Abramson – Children's Librarian

I want to thank all the parents who have brought their children to my programs. After a brief hiatus, my weekly story time and crafts is back in full swing. So if you know any children between the ages four to seven, make sure they know about this free event on Tuesdays at 3:30.

Also, I am still actively seeking "Grandparents And Books" volunteers. These are kind-hearted individuals who read to children for a couple of hours a week. If you are interested in volunteering for the library in this capacity, don't hesitate to contact me.

BOOKS WANTED:

To be donated for the Book Sale Room



If you have books sitting on the shelf at home, please donate them so that others can enjoy them. We especially need children's books, we always are in short supply.

INTERNET AVAILABILITY

The Chatsworth Library provides 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.

These library resources are also available from your home located at: www.lapl.org

CHATSWORTH BOOK CLUB

Book Club Coordinator – Aita Soovere

There will be no Book Club meetings in December or January.

The next meetings will be:

Wednesday, Feb 1st, 1:00 - 2:30 pm
"Family Pictures" by Sue Miller

Wednesday, March 1st, 1:00 - 2:30 pm
"Lolita" by Umberto Eco

Wednesday, April 5th, 1:00 - 2:30 pm
"The World is Flat" by Thomas L. Freedman

Please bring book suggestions with you to the next meeting so that we can put our schedule together for the next few months. If you have any questions, Call Aita Soovere (818) 886-8799

ORIGAMI CLUB *Family activity*

Under the direction of origami instructors Leon Brown and Diana Dixon-Davis you can learn this ancient art form. They meet monthly on the first Saturday of each month at from 2:00-4:00 pm. Beginners class is from 1:00 -2:00 pm

Join us on Dec. 3

Children under 12 need to be accompanied by an adult. Bring your paper (origami can be folded from colored typing paper, heavy-weight gift wrap, stiff magazine pages, calendars, wall paper samples, etc.)

Thank you to MAGIC WORLD for the donation of balloons to help advertise our Giant Book Sale last October.

Thank you to the volunteers who have been working in our book store on a weekly basis.

Thank you to Jon Thorpe for coordinating the Friends of the Library's participation in the Chili Cook-off at the Chatsworth Acre Pioneer Day. Jon claims his recipe is from the Naked Chef's Cook Book, and his secret ingredient was Book Worms...believe it or not!

Everyone's participation is appreciated and makes a difference.

FRIENDS BOOK STORE HOURS:

Monday	1:00 to 4:50, 5:30 to 7:30 pm
Tuesday	1:00 to 3:00 pm
Wednesday	1:00 to 7:00 pm
Thursday	1:00 to 4:00 pm (3 rd Thursday only)
Friday	11:00 to 3:00 pm (1 st & 3 rd Friday) 2:00 to 5:00 pm
Saturday	10:30 to 1:00 pm (3 rd Saturday only)

Children's books 5 for \$1 or 25 cents each

Paperbacks \$.50 each

Hardbacks \$1.00 each

We have a large selection of self-help books, cook-books and educational books in the Friends Book Store. In addition, there are like-new hardback and paperback fiction, romance and mystery novels.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED:

If you can spare a few hours each week, we sure could use your help! We need volunteers to staff the bookstore; our goal is to have established hours that can be posted outside the Friends room. It is easy and fun, and a great way to meet members of the community. Come join us! Call Jo Ann Stipkovich at (818) 344-2000 and sign-up to help.

CHATSWORTH BRANCH LIBRARY

DISPLAY CASE

Adult Librarian - Linda Capicotto

The glass display case in the library lobby is available for our local Chatsworth organizations to showcase their organizations and for our local schools to display their student's artwork. There is no cost and the displays will rotate on a monthly basis.

See the adult Librarian, Linda Capicotto, for further information or call her at (818)341-4276.



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your mailing
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*Then it's time to
RENEW your
membership.*

FRIENDS OF THE CHATSWORTH LIBRARY

We invite you to join or renew your membership to support our outstanding library and the community it serves. Return this cutoff with your membership dues and/or contribution made payable to:

Friends of Chatsworth Library, 21052 Devonshire Street, Chatsworth, CA 91311

New Member

Renewal

Yearly:

Individual \$5.00

Family or Organization \$10.00

Supporting Membership \$25.00

Contributing Membership \$50.00

Life Membership: \$ 100.00

NAME _____ Phone: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____ Email: _____

CITY / STATE / ZIP: _____

Special Interest / Expertise: _____

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 Meetings:

Scheduled the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 7 to 8 pm at the library.

Volunteer to help staff our Book Store room:

Contact Jo Ann at (818) 344-2000 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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