

Library Chats...

for the love of books

Friends of the Chatsworth Library Newsletter

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www.laplchatsworthfriends.org



LIBRARY HOURS (818) 341-4276 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

Sundays Closed Major Holidays Closed

Saturdays

SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES:

9:30 am - 5:30 pm

See newsletter for a list of scheduled events. Or visit our Friends Calendar at www.laplchatsworthfriends.org

LIBRARY STAFF

Senior Librarian: Jan Metzler

FRIENDS OF THE CHATSWORTH LIBRARY OFFICERS

President: Ann Vincent Vice-President: John Thorpe Secretary: Zena Thorpe Treasurer: Ray Vincent Membership: Dottie Acker Book Sales: Jo Ann Stipkovich John Thorpe Book Store Inventory: Jan Lauritzen Lori Summer Newsletter: Ann Vincent Book Club & Publicity: Clara Woll Hospitality: Jelena Csanyi Member-at-large: Irene Nalbandian Member-at-large: Gretchen Martin Member-at-large: Donna Boswell Member-at-large: Joe Monsour



Join us at our Giant Book Sale

Saturday, April 15th 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 likenew 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 are only 50 cents each.

MEMBERS ONLY: Drop by Friday, **April 14**th 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 April 15, 2017.

President's Report

President - Ann Vincent

Everything is great at our Chatsworth Library. The library staff continues to provide creative programs for our patrons. The Friends of the Library is here to assist the library with the cost of these programs where we can, and we look forward to sponsoring more programs in the future.

Our appreciation goes to Simon at CQ Auto Parts for his support by providing parking in his back lot during out book sales for our volunteers. Thank you for your help.

Happy Spring...

Ann Vincent, President

Chatsworth Friends of the Library

Friends Book Store

If you have not stepped into our Friends Book Store lately, you are in for a delightful surprise.



Jeanie Heine comes up with all the decoration ideas and enjoys creatively celebrating each month with a new décor. She includes a decorated candy cake for the book room volunteers to enjoy. We are delighted to have her share her talents with us.

Jeanie's Easter Candy Cake

Our Book Store is our central Friends of the Library office and hangout for our volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering to help with book sales, your help is appreciated.

Our March Madness Irish Bears, will soon be wearing Easter Bonnets' ... Thank to Jelena and her adopted family of bears.

We are still meeting on Wednesday afternoons at 2:30 to continue picking up trash and helping with a little light weeding in the flowerbeds. Join us if you can.

New at our Public Library

kanopy

If you're interested in independent, international, classic, or documentary films, you're in luck. Get out your library card and sign up for Kanopy, the Library's newest on demand video streaming service.

You can stream over 26,000 films from hundreds of popular producers such as The Criterion Collection, The Great Courses, and PBS, as well as thousands of independent filmmakers - on every topic imaginable.

Here's how to get started:

- 1. Go to lapl.kanopystreaming.com and create an account by clicking on the orange Sign up button.
- 2. Go to your email account to verify your email address.
- 3. Add your library card number and PIN.
- 4. Start watching videos!

LIBRARY DONATIONS

Our Library has been fortunate to have received several donations over the last few months. Some have come directly as cash/check donations by appreciative patrons; others have come as donations in memory of family members or friends.

Donations made to the Friends of the Chatsworth Library are tax deductible. We are recognized as a charitable nonprofit organization under the Internal Revenue Tax Code 501(c)(3). The Friends Group coordinates with Library Staff to

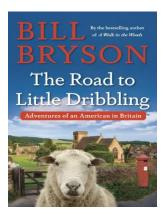
provide funds for programs, book purchases, and improvements to the Library.

If a patron is interested in making a special donation, a bookplate may be prepared in recognition of an individual, milestone or occasion. The Library staff can also select certain categories of books for the library system. Please contact the Senior Librarian if you have an interest in this program

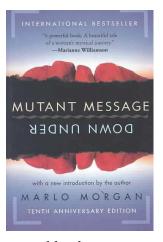
Library Book Club

Chairman - Clara Woll

The Chatsworth Library Book Club meets the first Wednesday of every month from 1:00-2:30 PM in the Library Meeting Room, 21052 Devonshire Street, phone 818-341-4376. Our members choose the books that 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 3, 2017 - *The Road to Little Dribbling* by Bill
Bryson - Call # 942.085 B
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pages. Twenty years ago
Bill Bryson wrote a best
selling travel book about
Britain. Now he has
returned to see what has
changed and what hasn't.



Message Down Under by Mario Morgan – Fiction – 1994 -187 pages. A fictional account of an American woman's journey with a remote tribe of nomadic Aborigines through the Australian bush. She learns how they thrive in harmony with plants and animals in this

June 7, 2017 – *Mutant*

rugged land.

July 5, 2017 – Open Forum – Please come prepared to share information about a book you have read and think will be of interest to others.



Seated Yoga

Wednesday Mornings 10:15AM to 11:30AM STRETCH & STRENGTH for Seniors.

For the past few years, we have been featuring Carol Dickman's Seated Yoga however, to change the pace

and mix it up, we now are featuring Parts 1 & 2 of the Stronger Seniors DVD Stretch & Strength on alternating Weds. With the strength disc, everyone used water bottles from the meeting room refrigerator as the weights! John Thorpe said everyone loved this but wanted to continue with the older one also.

We're inviting everyone to come take a fun seated exercise class!



Welcome LAUSD Students!

The Los Angeles Library introduced a new Student Success Library Card. A web page provides access to tools they need for school, including links for homework help, downloadable ebooks, and book suggestions. They use the number on the back of the card and the last four digits of their phone number to get access.

Visit your branch library with your Student Success Library Card and check out up to three books at one time. Don't worry if you can't get them back on time, we won't charge you when you check out books with your Student Success Card. As soon as you return your books, you can check out more.

If you want to check out more than three books or take home DVDs or CDs, a parent or guardian can sponsor you for a full-featured library card.

Thursday Afternoon Movies

Chairpersons - Zena and John Thorpe

April 27, 2017, Thursday, 1:30 pm

Loving

PG-13

2h 3min - Biography, Drama, Romance 2016



The story of Richard and Mildred Loving, an interracial couple, whose challenge of their anti-miscegenation arrest for their marriage in Virginia led to a legal battle that would end at the US Supreme Court.

Director: Jeff Nichols Writer: Jeff Nichols

Stars: Ruth Negga, Joel Edgerton, Will Dalton

May 25, 2017, Thursday, 1:30 pm

LA LA Land

PG-13

2h 8min Comedy, Drama, Music 2016



Mia, an aspiring actress, serves lattes to movie stars in between auditions and Sebastian, a jazz musician, scrapes by playing cocktail party gigs in dingy bars, but as success mounts they are faced with decisions that begin to fray the fragile fabric of their love affair, dreams and the

worked so hard to maintain in each other threaten to rip them apart.

Director: Damien Chazelle Writer: Damien Chazelle

Stars: Ryan Gosling, Emma Stone,

MORE EVENTS AT THE CHATSWORTH LIBRARY



Featuring The Works of Authors Ray Bradbury and Ray Chandler

"TWO LA RAYS"
Saturday April 22 @ 2:00 PM

Short stories written by two LA authors Ray Bradbury and Raymond Chandler will be presented as staged readings by actors from THEATER 40, a professional theater in Beverly Hills.

John Leslie & Melanie MacQueen

Chatsworth Charter High School Play Production Presents



"The Many Faces of Emily Dickinson"

Presenting excerpts from the play the "Belle of Amherst" and original material from the students of Chatsworth Charter High.

Saturday, April 29 @ 2:00

National Poetry Month THE BIG READ

Audible Connections

By Donna Boswell

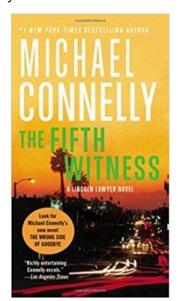
My commute from Chatsworth to the Vernon/Maywood area daily has certainly cut into my reading time. I had to make some changes, which includes switching to audio books. I either purchase the books on CD from the FOTL bookstore/quarterly sales for \$2.00 each, or I check them out from the library on CD, or I check them out from the library electronically using the Overdrive app on my phone.

This has enabled me to keep "reading" and finally get to some book club selections that I have been postponing, due to time constraints. This is how I listened to Notorious RBG (Irin Carmon) and The Speckled Monster (Jennifer Lee Carrell). Because some patron is kind enough to donate legal and action thrillers to the FOTL bookstore, I have been listening to authors that I normally don't read such as Alex Berenson, Tom Clancy, and David Baldacci.

I would like to share two recent books that I have listened to since I last submitted an article to the newsletter. The authors are Michael Connelly and Elena Ferrante.

Michael Connelly's The Fifth Witness

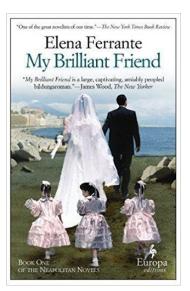
features the main character Michael "Mickey" Haller who is known as the Lincoln Lawver. I still have not seen the Matthew McConaughev movie. that is based on the Connelly's book the Lincoln Lawyer, so I am a little behind on the main character. I enjoyed this audio book as Michael Connelly writes about Los Angeles, so his description of



locations and place names are familiar to me, especially as I am driving through them on my commute. This book was written with the background of the financial bust of the real

estate boom, so it was great to revisit the impact this had on Los Angeles. It was interesting to go through a murder trial from inside the courtroom and the positioning that the opposing lawyers go through; I would have enjoyed reading this book as well.

The second book was a book club selection. it was the first book of Neapolitan the Novels called My Brilliant Friend by Ferrante. Flena This is an award-Italian winning author whose works have been translated into multiple languages. The Neapolitan Novels follow the



friendship of two women in Italy and how their lives evolve by their friendship and their social caste. The first book primarily takes place from when the girls first meet as children during the fifties and covers up through age 16. The book deals with the challenges of growing up in a poorer neighborhood outside Naples, where education was terminated early (grade and you went into trade or school) apprenticeship based on your income level. The community and your position in it is strongly featured pointing out accepted behaviors and the dichotomy between the Silent Generation and the Baby Boomers. A warning, the book does end on a cliffhanger, which made my book club angry as they like books that resolve. Upon further research about Elena Ferrante, her Neapolitan Novels is designed as a singular work of art that is broken into a 4-book set based on the timeperiod involved. So, reader beware!

Until next time, Donna Boswell

BOOK SALE REMINDER: April 15 Saturday 10-2

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 quarterly Friends Newsletter "Library Chats" and invitations to special book sales and events.

Our Newsletters are now available on our Website (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 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 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.

However if there is an * on your mailing label? Then it's time to RENEW your membership.

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	☐ Supporting Membership \$25.00	☐ Contributing Membership \$50.00
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