



# 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

January 2011 Quarterly Newsletter



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

### SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES:

Friends Meeting	Community Room
Jan 11 (Tues)	7:00 pm -8:00 pm
Book Sale	Community Room
Jan 14 set-up (Fri)	2:00 – 4:00 pm
Jan 15 (Sat)	10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Book Club	Community Room
Feb 2 (Wed)	1:00 - 2:30 pm
Friends Meeting	Community Room
Feb 8 (Tues)	7:00 pm -8:00 pm
Book Club	Community Room
March 2 (Wed)	1:00 - 2:30 pm
Book Sale	Community Room
April 15 set-up (Fri)	2:00 – 4:00 pm
April 16 (Sat)	10:00 am – 2:00 pm

### LIBRARY STAFF

Senior Librarian: Jan Metzler  
Adult Librarian: Trina Medhoff  
Children's Librarian: Elizabeth Tracton

### 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
Newsletter:	Ann Vincent
Book Club:	Aita Soovere
Hospitality:	Jelena Csanyi
Member-at-large:	Irene Nalbandian
Member-at-large:	Jaak Soovere
Member-at-large:	Ken Garr
Member-at-large:	Gretchen Martin

## Giant Book Sale Saturday, January 15<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Our quarterly Giant Book sale is quickly approaching. 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.

**\* SPECIAL EVENT FOR MEMBERS ONLY:** Drop by Friday, **January 14<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.

Next scheduled Giant Book Sale: April 16, 2011.

## President's Report

*President - Ann Vincent*

Our library staff keeps changing providing a continuous progression of talented and dedicated individuals. Jan Metzler is our new head Senior librarian. Please stop by and introduce yourself to her and our other new staff members.

Looking back, we had a very successful year in 2010. In July we celebrated the completion of our outdoor courtyard. Our landscaping volunteers have our library landscaping back on track with the weeds under control and improvements planned for the front corner. Trash continues to be an issue, but better placement of the trash containers and making sure they are not overflowing has improved that situation. Jan Metzler, our new librarian has taken on that challenge and has already made a difference.

Our book sales continue to draw large crowds and book donations from the community fill our room each quarter with a generous selection of books to chose from. The Book Store is staffed by wonderful people.

We are looking forward to a prosperous New Year and appreciate the many volunteers who make it fun to come volunteer to work our sales.

Check our website at: [www.laplchatsworthfriends.org](http://www.laplchatsworthfriends.org)

## EXHIBITIONS AT THE DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES PUBLIC LIBRARY

All exhibitions at the Richard J. Riordan Central Library are free and open to the public during library hours:

Wednesday, Friday and Saturday  
10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday:  
10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Sunday: Closed

The Central Library is closed on holidays. For more information, call (213) 228-7500.

Exhibitions currently on view at the Getty Gallery, the First Floor Galleries, and the Annenberg Gallery include:

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Annenberg Gallery

### Treasures of Los Angeles

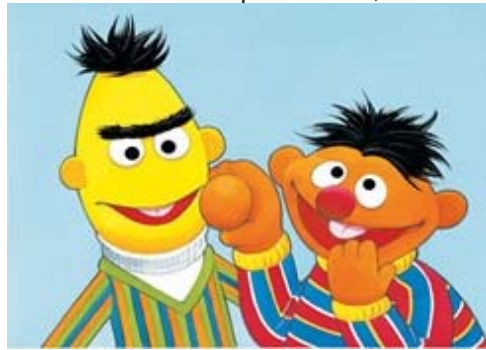
The Annenberg Gallery displays some of the extraordinary materials collected by the Los Angeles Public Library since its founding in 1872. Featuring the hidden "treasures" of the library, exhibitions on view provide a fascinating look at the history of Los Angeles: from the photos that document our diverse heritage, to the colorful menus and theatre programs of yesteryear; the library has collected items of popular culture, detailed maps of the city's expansion, and mementos of our past.



First Floor Galleries

### Forty Years of Sesame Street Illustration: Selections from the Publishing Archive of Sesame Workshop

September 4, 2010 - April 30, 2011



Generations of children know Cookie Monster, Elmo, Big Bird, Grover, Oscar, Zoe, and Ernie and Bert. For 40 years, these and other *Sesame Street* television characters have also come to life in books.

With the critical and popular success of the first

season (1969–1970) of *Sesame Street*, the Children's Television Workshop (CTW, called Sesame Workshop today) began licensing books, puzzles, games, and toys to support its school-readiness curriculum and other educational projects. In 1970, Random House and Western Publishing Company (home of Little Golden Books) began publishing books with *Sesame Street* characters and themes. Today, more than 75 domestic and international licensees create Sesame Street books in traditional and electronic formats.

"Forty Years of Sesame Street Illustration" reflects both the talent and diversity of the artists who created these works and the great inspiration of city streets, communities, and *Sesame Street* characters.

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### MEASURE L on March 8, 2011 Ballot

The March 8, 2011 ballot will include Measure L (for Library) that is intended to force the City Council to reapportion the city funds to give a higher percentage back to the library.

As stated by Martin Gomez, LA City Librarian, "If approved by the voters, Measure L will increase the Library's share of existing city funds to help restore 6 day service and eventually 7 day service, purchase additional books and support library programs. Measure L is not a tax."

## Newsletters

In an effort to save considerable postage and printing costs, we have created a website where the newsletter are posted for easy access. Members can elect to have a copy mailed to them, get it from the website online, or have it emailed. If you would like to save the cost of printing and mailing a newsletter to you, please send an email to [chatsworthfriends@gmail.com](mailto:chatsworthfriends@gmail.com).

We will add you to our email list and email future newsletters to you. Every dollar counts!

## Reading Program

### Fridays: Tiny Tots Storytime

10:30 AM every Friday Morning.

Please join us for this fun storytime especially for very young children and parents.

### Saturday: Storytime

January 22 and February 12

11:00 AM

In January...Get out of the cold and join us for stories and crafts in this free winter storytime.

In February...bring your loved ones and join us for Valentine's Day Storytime.

## MONTHLY BOOK CLUB

Chairman - Aita Soovre

The Chatsworth Library Book Club meets every first Wednesday of the month from 1-2:30PM in the Library Meeting Room. Our members choose the books that they want to read and 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:

January: no meeting

**Feb. 2nd: "The Zookeeper's Wife"** by Diane Ackerman  
Zookeeper's Wife - A story about the Polish Resistance in Warsaw during WWII giving us hope for humanity.

**Mar. 2nd: "Life of Pi"** by Yann Martel

Life of Pi - An adventure story about Pi, an Indian boy who is stranded for 227 days in the Pacific Ocean after a shipwreck.

## Grandparents and Books

Books come alive for kids when they share the fun of reading with GAB library volunteers. Call the library for days and times: 818-341-4276

Stop by to see the new Early Learning Center in the Children's Library



**Is there an \* on  
your mailing  
label?**

*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 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, Tapes and Videos 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.

## **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 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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**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**

***Is there an \* on your mailing label?***

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*Membership forms are available on page 3 and will also be available at the Book Sale January 15<sup>th</sup>*