

# 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

 Saturdays
 9:30 am - 5:30 pm

Sundays Closed Major Holidays Closed

#### **SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES:**

See pages 2-3 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
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Secretary: Zena Thorpe
Treasurer: Ray Vincent
Membership: Dottie Acker
Book Sales: Jo Ann Stipkovich

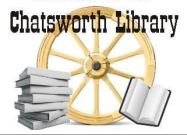
John Thorpe

Book Store Inventory: Jan Lauritzen

Lori Summer

Newsletter: Ann Vincent
Book Club: Clara Woll
Hospitality: Jelena Csanyi
Member-at-large: Irene Nalbandian
Member-at-large: Gretchen Martin
Member-at-large: Donna Boswell

## Friends of the



## Join us at our Giant Book Sale Saturday, January 17th 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

### A New Year with 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 and videos are only 50 cents each.

**MEMBERS ONLY**: Drop by Friday, **January 16<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 April 18, 2015.

## **President's Report**

President - Ann Vincent

Our Chatsworth Branch Library has been very fortunate to have a great group of volunteers. The book room volunteer staff does a wonderful job keeping the room staffed and open during regular library hours.

We have volunteers who show up just to pick up trash outside and keep an eye on the landscaping to maintain and improve it.

We had decorations and bears on loan again to participate in the holiday season.

Pay attention to our display case in the lobby where volunteers create subjects of interest about Chatsworth.

We have a great group of volunteers who join us at the book sales to sort books, sell and just have fun.

Happy New Year!

## **UP COMING PROGRAMS at the CHATSWORTH LIBRARY**

SPECIAL MOVIE SCREENING EVENT

## **Freedom Riders**

Saturday, February 7, 1:00 - 4 p.m.

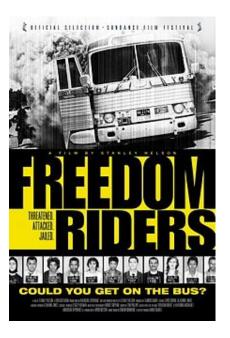
Sponsored by:

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and the Chatsworth Branch Library

Veteran filmmaker Stanley Nelson's inspirational documentary is the first feature-length film about a courageous band of civil-rights activists. Chronicling a chapter of American history, his film stands as an astonishing testament to the accomplishment of youth who organized against all odds. Former Freedom Riders, Reverend James Lawson and Kathleen O' Nan will be guest speakers.

Discussion moderated by Pastor James Thomas.

Film is 2 hours, followed by guest speakers, and light refreshments.



### SPECIAL MOVIE SCREENING EVENT



## Saturday, March 7, 2015 at 2 - 4 pm

Sponsored by: Friends of the Chatsworth Library and the Chatsworth Historical Society



"The Harvey Girls: Opportunity Bound" is a new documentary film that explores how, starting in the 1880's, over 100,000 brave young women, Harvey Girls as they were called, made an unusual decision to leave home and travel west to work as waitresses along the transcontinental railroad opening the doors of both the West and the workplace to women. The screening (57 minutes) will be followed by a question and answer

session with Katrina Parks, the film's Director, Writer & Executive Producer.

In 1946, MGM turned the Harvey Girls into legend when they released the motion picture "The Harvey Girls" starring Judy Garland. Until now, this fictional Hollywood movie has been the only film to immortalize the Harvey Girls. Opportunity Bound examines this important part of America's history in much greater depth, and tells the story of the Harvey Girls using the voices of those closest to them, including rare interviews with the few remaining Harvey Girls and author and expert on Fred Harvey, Stephen Fried.

In addition, the film explores the life of Fred Harvey and his company which left its mark by not only providing work opportunities for women, but by being among the first companies to promote cultural diversity in the workplace by hiring Hispanic and Native American women to be waitresses along with their Anglo peers. The Harvey Girls, whose workforce continued to flourish until the 1960s, were true pioneers and set a new standard of excellence for women in the workplace, paving the way for generations of independent young women to come. This is their story!

## **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. Our members choose the books that they want to read, so we cover a large variety of subjects, both fiction and nonfiction. Our discussions are fun and insightful. The books can be ordered from the Library. Come join us! Our next books will be:

**January 7, 2015 "Open Forum"** - Please come prepared to share information about a book you have read and think will be of interest to others.

**February 4, 2015** *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd – Fiction -2014 – 373 pages.

The story follows Hetty "Handful" Grimke, a Charleston slave, and Sarah, the daughter of the wealthy Grimke family. The novel begins on Sarah's eleventh birthday, when she is given Handful, who is to be her handmaid. The book follows the next 35 years of their lives.

March 4, 2015 <u>The All-Girl Filling Station's Last</u> <u>Reunion: a novel</u> by Fannie Flagg – Fiction – 2013 – 347 Pages.

A fun-loving mystery about an Alabama woman today, and five women who worked in a Phillips 66 gas station in 1943. Four of these young women went from work at the filling station into the Women's Air Service Pilots Corps (WASPS) during WW II.

## Staying involved with your Library....

Our book sales draw not only patrons that want to buy books, but also those that donate them. A win-win situation for all. We appreciate everyone's participation and have been successful in accomplishing our goals. We can always use help keeping our book room open more hours, so if you show up at the library when the store is not open....email us to get on our schedule and help us out if you can.

Ongoing Children's and Adult Library programs continue throughout the year. For more information see the posters on display in the main entrance or ask for details at the Information/Reference Desk in the main library.

Watch for announcements of future Thursday Afternoon Movies and Saturday Children's Movies;



Preschool Reading programs and STAR reading activities are available.

#### What is a STAR Volunteer Reader?

A STAR Volunteer Reader is a volunteer who reads books and tells stories with children at their local library. They serve as positive role models for children. They are at least 21 years old and commit 2 hours per week for at least 6 months. They are trained in a workshop on reading techniques that make books and stories come alive.

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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		
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Yearly:	☐ Individual \$5.00	☐ Family or Organization \$10.00
	☐ Supporting Membership \$25.00	☐ Contributing Membership \$50.00
Life Membership:	<b>3</b> \$ 100.00	
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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?

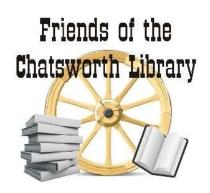
Mail the form included in this newsletter to the address shown. Members receive the Friends Newsletter "Library Chats" and invitations to special book sales and events.

## 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 on page 3 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.