



# 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

March - April 2006 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:

Friends Meeting	Community Room
March 15 (Wed)	7:00 – 8:00 pm
Book Club	Community Room
April 5 (Wed)	1:00 - 2:30 pm
CHILDREN'S PROGRAM	Community Room
April 11 (Tues)	3:30 pm
BOOK SALE	Community Room
April 15 (Sat)	10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Friends Meeting	Community Room
April 19 (Wed)	7:00 – 8:00 pm
Los Feliz Woodwind Ensemble	Community Room
May 6 (Sat)	2:00 pm
CHILDREN'S PROGRAM	Community Room
May 16 (Tues)	3:30 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:	Dottie Acker
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

## Giant Book Sale

### Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>

### 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Our regularly scheduled Giant Book sale is quickly approaching. We have hundreds of books we have been collecting to make available to the public. For those of you that filed early, bring your tax refund and spend it wisely on educational materials.

Let everyone know that we also have some outstanding, 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.

These books are generously donated by Library patrons in our community to be recycled and enjoyed by others and to allow the Friends of the Library to raise funds for additional Library books, library supplies and programs for the community.

Tell your friends to schedule April 15<sup>th</sup> for some great book bargains.

\* SPECIAL EVENT FOR MEMBERS ONLY: Drop by Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 to 5:00 pm as we set up for the Saturday book sale. We will sell books Friday afternoon to members only, so drop by and see what we have to offer at this special preview sale.

**FUTURE SALE DATES:**      **Saturday - July 15, 2006**  
    **Saturday - October 21, 2006**

As a reminder, our Friends Book Store Room is open throughout the week with a limited number of books available. See page 3 for hours posted.

Please join us for the  
**Los Feliz Woodwind Ensemble.**

**Saturday, MAY 6 at 2pm.**

Professional ensemble playing repertoire from the classics to the popular, from jazz to klezmer.

## FROM THE FRIENDS PRESIDENT:

*John Thorpe, President*

The new board has been duly elected and sworn in for the coming year, but I must say it is a lot like the previous year.

I would like to welcome our new Membership Chairperson, Dottie Acker and also thank the rest of the board for the last year's voluntary efforts, and their making the fund raising work a pleasant experience for everyone.

We still need more help running the book sales on a daily basis, so if anyone would like to help, please let the library know and we will introduce you to the art of selling used books.

### 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.

### Looking for ways to encourage young children to read?

Ask them to read a story to the family pet, or their favorite doll. Activities like this are seen as a fun way to play with the pet or toy.

The reading exercise just happens and is more fun (less threatening) than reading to an adult since dogs and dolls are very good listeners.

## THE CHILDREN'S CORNER

*Elizabeth Abramson – Children's Librarian*

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

On **Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 3:30** we are hosting **Karen Golden**. She will share Passover stories for children of all ages. Also, on **Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:30** we are proud to have **Marie Torres Cimarusti**. This real-life author will share stories and songs. Both of these performances are free for the whole family.

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.

## CHATSWORTH BOOK CLUB

*Book Club Coordinator – Aita Soovere*



The library Book Club discussion group meets every first Wednesday of the month from 1 - 2:30 PM. in the Library Meeting Room. Our schedule of reading for the next two months is as follows:

"A Walk in the Woods" by Bill Bryson  
- Wednesday, March 1, 2006

"Power vs. Force" by David R. Hawkins, M.D., Ph.D  
- Wednesday, April 5th, 2006

We had planned to read "Arthur & George by Julian Barnes in April, but this is a very popular book and there is a long waiting list for it at the Library. We will add it back into our reading schedule at a later date when it becomes more easily available.

Books for future reading are chosen in discussion at the meetings and ordered in multiple copies from other libraries for the use of book club members. They are available at the Circulation Desk, upon request, approximately two to three weeks before each meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend.

## SPECIAL THANK YOU to Georgiana Sanchez...

for providing an enchanting evening of Chumash legends for our library patrons on January 18<sup>th</sup>. Her poetry and stories featured in her book "The Sound of Rattlers and Clappers" were enjoyable for the children and adults in attendance.

## 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

*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 again to MAGIC WORLD for the donation of balloons to help advertise our Giant Book Sale in January.**

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

Everyone's participation is appreciated and makes a difference.

**BOOK DONATIONS  
Should be taken to the  
front desk of the library.  
Children's books are always  
appreciated.**

## 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<sup>rd</sup> Thursday only)  
Friday 11:00 to 3:00 pm (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday)  
2:00 to 5:00 pm  
Saturday 10:30 to 1:00 pm (3<sup>rd</sup> 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 expand our established hours that are 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  
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, 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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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*Membership forms are available on page 3 and will also be available at the Book Sale April 15<sup>th</sup>*