

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 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

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Friends of the



Join us at our Giant Book Sale

Saturday, October 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, **October 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 January 21, 2017.

President's Report

President - Ann Vincent

I thought I should brag about our own Chatsworth Library having the largest signups for the Adult Reading Program that was sponsored by the Los Angeles Public Library. This was a new addition this year to the Summer Reading Program to include all age groups. I learned a little more this summer by signing up... it's amazing what happens when you are challenged!

Watch for the Valley Book Cycle in the upcoming Chatsworth Parade. Our Friends of the Library along with other Friends Groups purchased a Book Cycle to promote Library Programs at schools and community events.

Ann Vincent, President

Chatsworth Friends of the Library

Friends Book Room

If you have not stepped into our Friends book room 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.

Our book room 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.





Halloween Candy Cake

Library Landscape

Join us on Wednesdays at 4:30 during the summer as we continue to pick up trash, water and weed to keep our library beautiful.

Library Bears

It started out with the Wells Fargo Horse for our Chatsworth Branch, but soon furry friends were donated or loaned to our branch. Decoration and seasonal clothing is the brainchild of Jelena Csanyi who is responsible for the display you see today.

If you see her dressing her bears, be sure to let her know that you appreciate her efforts. That's what keeps her going...a positive word from a total stranger who enjoys and appreciates her passion.

A change of Bear Wear for October!





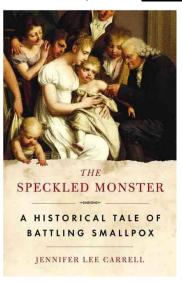


Library Book Club

Chairman - Clara Woll

The Chatsworth Library Book Club meets the first Wednesday of every month from 1:00-2:30 PM in the Library Multipurpose Room. Our members choose the books 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:

November 2, 2016 – The Speckled Monster: A

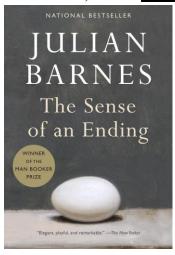


Historical Tale of
Battling Smallpox by
Jennifer Carrell – 2003
– Call #
614.52109C314 – 474
pages.

A well-crafted and magnificently documented work that tells of two survivors of the disease, one a duchess in England and the other a doctor in Boston. They become

advocates for vaccination.

December 7, 2016 – *The Sense of an Ending* by



Julian Barnes – 2011 – Fiction – 150 pages. Winner of the 2011 Man Booker Prize.

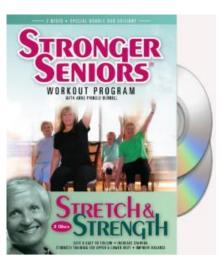
Tony and Adrian become friends in school, but when Adrian experiences tragedy Tony moves on. Now in his 40s, an unexpected bequest causes Tony to re-examine his past.

January 4, 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 out of the heat of summer!

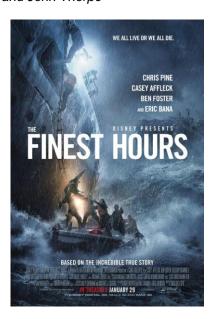
Thursday Afternoon Movies

Chairpersons - Zena and John Thorpe

October 27 1:30 PM

The Finest Hours PG 13 (Released 2016)

The Coast Guard makes a daring rescue attempt off the coast of Cape Cod after a pair of oil tankers are destroyed during a blizzard in 1952.



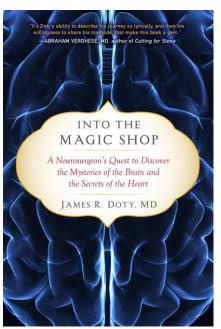
NOTE: Thursday afternoon movies will resume again in January due to holiday scheduling conflicts in November and December.

Summer Memories

By Donna Boswell

I signed up for the summer reading library program for adults, with fond memories of participating as a child earning beads, stickers and the thrill of seeking out new books. The program at the Chatsworth library had several tasks that had me stretching in my regular repertoire of audio cd's, book club nominees, and my general reading. The hardest task for me was to read a memoir. I never enjoyed reading memoirs in the past having trouble finding the "voice" within the pages over my own. Nevertheless, I read two memoirs this summer, and listened to one on audio cd. The only reason why it was three, one was a required reading for a book club that meets on weekends, one was a past book club that I am catching up on, and one was an impulse pickup when I joined the summer reading program.

So the impulse pickup I shall not speak of, I did not like it and did not consider it a memoir, as it had little of the writer's memories and more of their political viewpoint. I could not relate to it at all, especially after having to go to the dictionary to

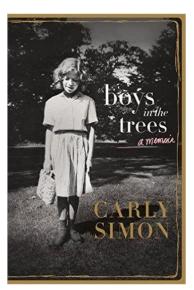


look up words one too many times in the first chapter alone.

The second book was called Into the Magic Shop, by Dr. James Doty. It was picked by my Saturday book club; it was about a boy who grew up in Lancaster. CA

and his life before and after as he became a neurosurgeon. The book discussed how he managed to learn to quiet the voices in his head that give doubts and visualize success; a tough task for a child in a not-so-good part of town. His childhood experiences in the magic shop shaped his future and the impact he had on others as he travelled through his career. Don't want to give too much of this one away, but it was interesting to read.

The last book came as a recommendation from another book club, and our head librarian, Jan mentioned that it was available on audio cd. Since



my daily commute for work can be up to three hours, you can see why lately I prefer books on cd. It was called Boys in the Trees by Carly Simon. I have always liked her music, and thought it would be interesting to listen to this memoir, especially since she read the book herself.

In addition to listening to her talk about her youth (the book covers age 5 or so up to her divorce from James Taylor) she played acoustical guitar at little interludes in the book, which was also a great opportunity to hear her musical "voice" as well. I enjoyed hearing about her career and how she wrote songs based on her experiences. I learned many things of her and her family's background that I did not know, as well as hearing about touring in Europe and the West Coast. Of the three, this was my favorite.

I would not consider myself an aficionado of memoirs, however I have learned that if I talk to others about whether they liked it or not, as well as read a few reviews, I might venture out for more.

UPCOMMING ACTIVITES

A-HAUNTING HALLOWEEN



October 20 Thursday 4:00 – 5:00 pm

All goblins and ghosts - celebrate "a-haunting" good time with scary stories, songs, and puppet show and Spooky craft.

If you haven't been to one of our Puppet Shows come have fun!

CHATSWORTH HERITAGE EVENT

November 12 Saturday
1:00 - 2:00 pm

The program will feature a presentation of Chumash activities, games and crafts that Native American children learned growing up here in Chatsworth.

Presented by Jelena Csanyi, docent for the Santa Susana State Historic Park, will provided the information, display and lead the crafts. The activities include making walnut dice, sand painting along with making acorn mush.



A traditional Chumash song with handmade clappers will conclude the program.

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 to keep up the good work 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.

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.

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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