



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 - May 2007 Newsletter



LIBRARY HOURS (818) 341-4276

NEW HOURS*

Mondays & Wednesdays	10:00 am – 8:00 pm
Tuesdays & Thursdays	12:00 noon– 8:00 pm
Fridays & Saturdays	10:00 am – 6:00 pm
Sundays	Closed
Major Holidays	Closed

SCHEDULED ACTIVITES:

Friends Meeting	Community Room
Mar 21 (Wed)	7:00 – 8:00 pm
Los Feliz Woodwind Ensemble	Community Room
March 24 (Sat)	2:00 pm
Book Club	Community Room
April 4 (Wed)	1:00 - 2:30 pm
Book Sale	Community Room
April 13 set-up (Fri)	2:00 – 5:00 pm
April 14 (Sat)	10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Friends Meeting	Community Room
April 18 (Wed)	7:00 – 8:00 pm
Book Club	Community Room
May 2 (Wed)	1:00 - 2:30 pm
Friends Meeting	Community Room
May 16 (Wed)	7:00 – 8:00 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

Music at the Chatsworth Library

The Los Feliz Woodwind Ensemble will appear at the library on Saturday, March 24, 2007 at 2 p.m.

Please join us as the professional ensemble of:

Kalman Bloch (solo clarinet, retired L.A. Philharmonic)

Bunk Gardner (saxophone, bassoon, Frank Zappa and the Mothers of Invention)

David Gilman (saxophone, flute, South Coast Simcha Band/solo clarinet, JCC Classical Orchestra -Irvine)

James Lythans (solo clarinet, La Miranda Symphony/ clarinet, the Claremont Winds)

with special guest artist:

Michele Zukovsky (solo clarinet, Los Angeles Philharmonic)

play music from the classics to the popular, from jazz to Klezmer.

This program is free to the public and is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Giant Book Sale Saturday, April 14th 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Our quarterly Giant Book sale is quickly approaching. We once again have thousands of books we have been collecting to make available to the public and our members.

VHS Videos have been added to our sales. 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.

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, supplies and programs for the community. Tell your friends to schedule April 14th for some great book bargains.

*** SPECIAL EVENT FOR MEMBERS ONLY:** Drop by Friday, April 13th (Yes, Friday the 13th) 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 to help us set out the books and see what we have to offer at this special preview sale.

**FROM THE FRIENDS
PRESIDENT:**

John Thorpe, President

The Chatsworth Community Coordinating Council, which as its name implies, coordinates events that groups such as F.O.L., Junior Baseball League, and lots of other entities in the area organize throughout the year. The Coordinating Council also recognizes volunteers from these groups by holding an awards banquet annually. I am happy to say that the Friends Board have nominated Ann & Ray Vincent for Citizens of the Year and Jelena Csanyi for Service To The Community. The Installation and Awards Banquet this year will be May 18th. So please mark the date and if possible attend the banquet to see who will win the honor of Volunteer of the Year. Please call me at 818-882-3572 if you have any questions. John Thorpe

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Our annual election of officers was held on February 28, with the following individuals confirmed in these positions:

- President: John Thorpe
- Book Sales Co-Chairpersons:
 - Jo Ann Stipkovich
 - Gretchen Martin
- Treasurer: Ray Vincent
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**BOOK DONATIONS
ACCEPTED**

Good condition "like new" books should be taken to the front desk of the library to be donated.

**NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
assists with
LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM
IMPROVEMENTS**



Setting up for the book sales in front of the new cabinets are members: (Left to Right) Ray Vincent, Aita Soovere, JoAnn Stipkovich, Elaine Campbell, Ann Vincent and John Thorpe

The Chatsworth Book sales set-up crew is delighted with the new cabinets recently installed in the Community Room making storage and setup for the sales a breeze. The additional counter tops add more functionality to the room for use by all the organizations that use the facility, however the cabinets have a specific use and were actually designed to exact specifications for the boxes to maximize available storage. This has been the answer to Friends of the Library dreams...and the end of book storage nightmares. The convenience of having the books stored on site has made set-up and tear down so much more fun for all involved. Being able to set-up in record time, gives the crew the opportunity to enjoy the extra time to see what treasures are available to be sold once everything is displayed on Friday afternoon.

The cabinet project was coordinated and approved through the Library Commission and staff for the Los Angeles Public Libraries. The unique challenge presented was that the additional cabinets in the room had to match the existing décor and finishes for the new library and basically appear as though they were installed when the library was constructed.

The Chatsworth Neighborhood Council contributed \$1,500 of the \$5,700 tab for community room enhancement. Their show of support for our improvements and continued commitment to help improve our community makes a difference and we thank them for their involvement.

Share the books you have enjoyed with others.

NEW LIBRARY HOURS

Started March 1st

See the front page for a listing of the new hours for each day.

LIBRARY STAFF HOSTING GAME DAY

We have a new program for young adults every Tuesday after school from 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM. Tuesdays are the day where all the Lawrence Middle School students are let out of school at 1:30 PM with no place to go except the library, Mc Donalds or Taco Bell since they are not picked up by their parent or guardian until much later in the afternoon or early evening.

We thank our Friends for purchasing games such as Chess, Checkers, Monopoly, Clue, Life, UNO, Connect Four, etc. We open the Meeting Room with Library Staff supervision for what we are calling GAME DAY. So far in our first six Tuesday afternoons we have a core group of 15-30 latchkey kids who have enjoyed the program.

I challenge Mason Park and Chatsworth Park as well as LAUSD to provide additional after-school activities for the young teens in our community. I also encourage the community to persuade LAPD to make a greater presence during these after school hours.

Bruce Seidman, Senior Librarian



CHATSWORTH BOOK CLUB

Book Club Coordinator – Aita Soovere

We meet every first Wednesday of the Month from 1-2:30 PM in the Library Meeting Room. Our schedule of reading is as follows:

April 4th "Mountains Beyond Mountains" by Tracy Kidder is a non-fiction about a doctor who came from a poor background and grew up to be famous and make great advances in medicine.

May 2nd "The Shell Seekers" by Rosamunde Pilcher is the story of a widow recovering from a heart attack and her musings about her life and family.

There will be a 3-month summer hiatus in June, July and August. The next meeting will be in September:

September 5th "Middlemarch" by George Eliot is the story of an English Provincial town in the 1830's and the intricate web of technological progress, circumstances and coincidences, that shape the lives of Middlemarch's inhabitants.

October 3rd "The Right Attitude to Rain" by Alexander McCall Smith is the story of life in Edinburgh, Scotland, today as seen through the eyes of a philosophical magazine editor.

November 7th "Anna Karenina" by Leo Tolstoy is set against the backdrop of czarist Russia and reveals the spectrum of nineteenth-century Russian politics and its many layers of social class from peasantry to aristocracy to the nobility.

Please contact the librarian to order books. Ordering takes 2 days to a week and the books are held for pick-up for 10 days.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED:

Can you volunteer for a few hours once a week or once a month? (Especially on a Saturday?) We sure could use your help! It is easy and fun, and a great way to get involved. Tues, Thurs & Saturdays Needed. Call Jo Ann Stipkovich at (818) 344-2000 and sign-up to help.



*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, 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 3rd 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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Is there an * on your mailing label?

Then it's time to RENEW your membership.

Membership forms are available on page 3 and will also be available at the Book Sale April 14th

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BOOK ROOM SCHEDULE as of 3/1/2007

Library opening and closing times also listed, Closed on Holidays

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>Closed</i>	<i>Opens 10:00 am</i>	<i>Opens 12:00 pm</i>	<i>Opens 10:00 am</i>	<i>Opens 12:00 pm</i>	<i>Opens 10:00 am</i>	<i>Opens 10:00 am</i>
WEEK 1	10:30 – 12:30 1:00 – 4:30 4:30 – 6:00	12:30 – 3:30 3:30 – 5:30	2:00 – 5:00 5:00 – 7:00		11 – 2:30 2:30 – 5:00	
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WEEK 3	10:30 – 12:30 1:00 – 4:30 4:30 – 6:00	12:30 – 3:30 3:30 – 5:30	2:00 – 5:00 5:00 – 7:00	1:00-4:30	11 – 2:30 2:30 – 5:00	10:30 -1:00
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WEEK 4	10:30 – 12:30 1:00 – 4:30 4:30 – 6:00	12:30 – 3:30 3:30 – 5:30	2:00 – 5:00 5:00 – 7:00		2:30 – 5:00	
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