



FOCUS

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Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library
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Dan Ruth
FTOL VP Sales

A great big THANK YOU! to the many volunteers that helped with the Friends of the TO Library Pop-Up Sale this past May 11th in the Newbury Park Library lobby and meeting room.

Hundreds of books were sold and we netted over \$1,000—money that will #keepthelibraryawesome!

Special call-outs to Janet Doman, Bettie Rae Hall, Carol Weiner, Audrey Helix, Geri Trail, and Kathy Leslie for organizing, planning, and publicizing the event. Thanks also to the many individuals that helped with the sale:

Hank Apgar
Yali Chen
Geri Conlan
Janet Doman
Jessie Fowler
Bettie Ray Hall

Audrey Helix
Darrell Jones
Shirley Kafka
Ian Leslie
Jackie Levy
Carrol Lucas

Charlie Lucas
Annette Mann
Ellen McCrary
David Moutrie
Kate O'Brien
Caryl Piernot

Dick Piernot
Jean Staley
Sherry Stukes
Mary Beth Sylvia
Geri Trail
Carol Weiner



Janet Doman and Bettie Rae Hall put the final touches on the book sale.



\$5 Bag of Books Sale

Watch for forthcoming announcements regarding our Back-to-School Pop-Up Sale, scheduled for Saturday, August 17th.

Interested in Volunteering or Serving on the FTOL Board?

Join us for our next monthly Board Meeting on Monday, June 10th at 5:00pm in the GRB Library Technology Training Room. The monthly meeting will be followed at 6:30pm by the Annual Board Meeting, where we'll review our activities over the past year and elect the 2019-2020 FTOL officers.

ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT THE LIBRARIES

Summer Concert at the Grant R. Brimhall Library Community Room

June 9, 2:00pm—Kalinka, July 14, 2:00pm—Katia Mores and Brazilian Hearts,
July 18, 2:00pm—Westlake Village Quartet

Monday Free Movie Matinee at 1:00pm at the GRB Library Conference Room

June 10—Welcome to Marwen, June 24—BlackKkKlansman

Tuesday Night Is Free Movie Night at 6:30 PM at NP Library!

June 4—The Prestige, June 11—Now You See Me, June 18—Now You See Me 2,
June 25—The Incredible Burt Wonderstone

Yoga for Beginners and Boomers: Mondays, 10:00am, GRB Library Community Room

Open Mic Poetry Night!

Bring your poetry and join us, 6:00 to 8:00 PM, June 12 at the NP Branch Meeting Room,
June 26 at the Grant R. Brimhall Library. Free to the public!

For more events and information updates,
visit the online Thousand Oaks Library Event Calendar at www.tolibrary.org.

A non-profit organization of library supporters dedicated to promoting and enhancing the Thousand Oaks Library System



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Board Meetings

Held at 10:30 a.m. the 2nd Monday of each month (except August) in the Tech Training Room of the Grant R Brimhall Library. Members are welcome to attend.

Focus

A bimonthly newsletter focusing on the Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library, the Thousand Oaks Library System and topics supporting literacy. Submit articles to: FOCUS Editor, Friends of the Library, 2331 Borchard Road, Newbury Park, CA 91320 or to the email address that follows:
 Editor: Dan Ruth
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Library Closures

July 4—GRB & NP for Independence Day

**Visit our website (www.ftol.org)
and join our Facebook page**

Treasurer's Report



In March, I submitted our biannual Statement Of Information filing to the CA Secretary of State, listing our Officers and location. Anyone can look up our filing (or any other California corporation's filing) at the Secretary of State's web site.

And, once again, many thanks to those who donated books and supported our Pop Up sales and especially to our sorters and online sales team for turning them into cash and making our financial support of the Library possible!

Regards, Ed Craven, FTOL Treasurer

New and Renewed Members

New Members

LIFE

Shane Niebergall

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Claudia Morrison

Kathy & Kent Rasmussen

Peggy Rothring

New display is on the way!

Patrons of the Thousand Oaks Library may have noticed some changes to the Friends of the Library's wall (adjacent to the aquarium and the new Teen Space). We're going digital! Over the next couple of months, a monitor will be installed with a rotating slide display, to keep you up to date on Friends' initiatives, upcoming pop-up book sales, events, volunteer and board opportunities, programs we sponsor, volunteer spotlights, and more. Special thanks to the library for providing the Friends with both the monitor, monitor arm, and electrical work necessary to get the signage up and running.

If there's anything you'd like more information on, let us know—we're proud of the work we do to raise the funds for the library, and are happy to share the good news about how we help to #keepthelibraryawesome!

HISTORY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

The History Book Discussion Group meets from 7:00 to 9:00 PM on the second Thursday of the month in the Goebel Adult Community Center, 1385 E. Janss Road (next to the GRB Library). For more information, contact Jack Heller at 805-341-7585. **Books are available for checkout.**

June 13, 2019--*Longitude: The True Story of a Lone Genius who Solved the Greatest Scientific Problem of his Time* by Dava Sobel

July 11, 2019--*How Everything Became War and the Military Became Everything: Tales from the Pentagon* by Rosa Brooks

August 8, 2019--*Personal Memoirs of Ulysses Grant* by Ulysses S. Grant
September 12, 2019--*The Rational Optimist: How Prosperity Evolves* by Matt Ridley

October 10, 2019—*The Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI* by David Grann

November 14, 2019—*Enlightenment Now* by Steven Pinker

FRIENDLY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

The Friendly Book Discussion Group meets at 6:30 PM on the first Thursday of the month in the Grant R. Brimhall Library Technology Training Room. For more information, contact Sai Chandavarkar at 805-241-5205 or chitra.sai.chandavarkar@hotmail.com. **Books are available for checkout.**

June 6, 2019--*Neither Wolf nor Dog* by Kent Nerburn

July 11, 2019--*The Merry Wives of Windsor* by William Shakespeare

August 1, 2019--*Option B: Facing Adversity, Building Resilience, and Finding Joy* by Sheryl Sandberg

September 5, 2019--*The Sound and the Fury* by William Faulkner

October 3, 2019—*Sapiens: A Brief History of Humankind* by Yuval Noah Harari

BACK TO SCHOOL Pop-Up Sale!

On Saturday, August 17th, 10am-2pm, in the NP Library Lobby and Meeting Room, the Friends will have a lobby book sale. **FTOL Members will have early access.** Details will appear in the next issue of FOCUS.



FTOL Endowment Fund

In 1995 the Friends established an Endowment Fund as a perpetual resource for the purchase of items for the libraries. All monies deposited in the Fund are kept intact. Only the interest generated annually is used to make such purchases. By contributing to the Fund, you can give a gift to the community that keeps on giving. The Endowment Fund is administered by the Executive Board of the Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library, in accordance with the organization's bylaws. Once a year the interest earned on the Fund is gifted to the Thousand Oaks Library. Professional library staff members select and order the books and other items to be purchased with these funds. For more information, please contact Ed Craven, Treasurer, Phone: (805) 493-2024, treasurer@ftol.org. To download a contribution form, please go to <http://ftol.org/endowment>.

Renew and pay your dues online at

<http://www.ftol.org/membership>

OR

Complete and mail the application below

Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library Membership Application

(Please print)

New member Renewal Gift membership

Today's date _____

Last name _____

First name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Zip _____ Phone _____

Email address _____

If you provide an email address, the Focus and renewal notices will be sent by email.

Membership Level:

Life \$500+ Sponsor \$100 Patron \$50

Contributor \$30 Family \$20 Individual \$15

Senior (60+) \$10 Student \$10

I want to get involved! Please contact me about current Friends volunteer opportunities

Make check payable and mail to:

Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library

Attn: Membership Vice-President

2331 Borchard Rd., Newbury Park CA 91320

The Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Check to see if there is a matching gift program where you work.

Shop at Ralphs for the Friends!

Register your Ralphs card at www.ralphs.com and select Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library as your organization for the Community Contribution Program. This will earn the Friends from 1% to 4% of your Ralphs purchases—at no additional cost to you!

All participants (past and new) must re-register every year at <http://www.ralphs.com>.



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Newbury Park, CA 91320
Return Service Requested

Is it time to renew? Your membership expiration date is printed on your mailing label.



Clean Your Attic and Basement— Donate Your Used Books!

The Thousand Oaks Library welcomes donations of used books, audiobooks, CDs, and DVDs. Donations from the public are what make our book sales a success and help raise funds for ongoing FTOL programs and library materials.

Donations are accepted at the Grant R. Brimhall Library and the Newbury Park Branch Library during regular library hours.

If you have questions or need help regarding donations, please contact Dan Ruth, VP Book Sales, at drutheditor@gmail.com.

THOUSAND OAKS LIBRARY SYSTEM
www.toaks.org/library

Grant R. Brimhall Library
1401 E. Janss Road
Thousand Oaks, CA 91362
(805) 449-2660

Newbury Park Branch Library
2331 Borchard Road
Newbury Park, CA 91320
(805) 498-2139

SCHEDULE OF HOURS

Grant R. Brimhall Library

Monday—Thursday	11 a.m.—8 p.m.
Friday	10 a.m.—6 p.m.
Saturday	10 a.m.—5 p.m.
Sunday	12 p.m.—5 p.m.

Newbury Park Branch Library

Monday—Wednesday	Noon—8 p.m.
Thursday—Friday	10 a.m.—6 p.m.
Saturday	10 a.m.—5 p.m.
Sunday	Closed