



# The Oakleaf

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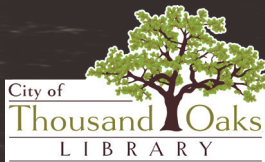
Library Services Director:  
Heather J. Cousin

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

**Newbury Park Branch**  
2331 Borchard Road  
Newbury Park, CA 91320  
805-498-2139



## New Library Services Director

From a highly competitive field of national and local candidates, **Heather Cousin** has been selected as the new Library Services Director for the City of Thousand Oaks. Cousin, a Thousand Oaks resident, brings over 15 years of experience as a leader in the library profession.

Cousin comes to the Thousand Oaks Library after holding important posts in Arcadia, Riverside, Rancho Cucamonga, and Moorpark. Since 2013, she has served as Simi Valley Public Library Director, successfully leading that organization through a period of tremendous change. She is the recipient of a Eureka Fellowship, one of the most prestigious public librarian awards in California.

"Heather brings tremendous experience, a genuine desire to serve the public, and a track record of deep community involvement to the role," said Scott Mitnick, City Manager. "We are thrilled to have her join our executive team and we look forward to the Thousand Oaks Library, under her leadership, continuing to adapt to our community's needs and provide great programs and services for residents of all ages."



Photo by: RICHARD GILLARD/Acorn Newspapers

In addition to developing educational outreach programs, Cousin also has been very involved in library issues at the State level. She has served on the California Library Association's Summer Reading Program Committee, the State Library's Digital Data Task Force, and she has been responsible for providing career planning and professional development resources at the Association's annual conference.

"Libraries are amazing institutions. They serve as sources for inspiration, engagement, entertainment and so much more. They are community centers and the center of our community. With an outstanding staff, incredible community and a wealth of resources, there is no limit to what we can accomplish in Thousand Oaks," said Cousin.

Cousin received her Bachelor of Arts from the University of California, Riverside in Political Science, her teaching credential from the University of California Los Angeles, and her Master of Library and Information Science from San Jose State University.

Cousin began work at the Thousand Oaks Library on Monday, August 24, 2015. 🌱

## 2015 One City, One Book

Cristina Henriquez's beautifully crafted novel, **The Book of Unknown Americans**, is the 2015 Thousand Oaks Reads: One City, One Book selection. This year's OCOB kickoff event is Sunday, October 4 at 2:00 p.m. See page 3 for more information.

Ms. Henriquez will discuss her novel, answer readers' questions and sign copies of her book at the One City, One Book author event on Sunday, November 8 at the Civic Arts Plaza at 2pm.

*The Book of Unknown Americans* is the story of two immigrant families whose hopes and lives collide with destiny. Resonant with the dreams of men and women from throughout Mexico and Latin America who have come to America, it's a story that offers a new definition of what it means to be American.

For more information call the Library at 805-449-2660 or visit the website at [www.thousandoaksreads.org](http://www.thousandoaksreads.org). 📖



# Featured Resources & New Arrivals

## PressReader



— connecting people through news —

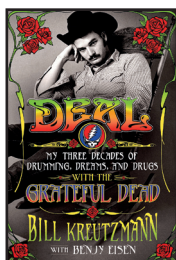
## New Arrivals focus on **Biographies**

Being Nixon: A Man Divided by Evan Thomas

The Book of Joan: Tales of Mirth, Mischief, and Manipulation by Melissa Rivers

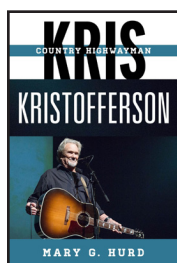
The Contender: Andrew Cuomo, A Biography by Michael Shnayerson

Deal: My Three Decades of Drumming, Dreams, and Drugs with The Grateful Dead by Bill Kreutzmann with Benji Eisen



Getting Real by Gretchen Carlson

It's Not About Perfect: Competing For My Country and Fighting For My Life by Shannon Miller with Danny Peary



The Journey Home: My Life in Pinstripes by Jorge Posada with Gary Brozek

Kris Kristofferson: Country Highwayman

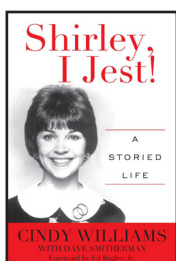
by Mary G. Hurd

Love in the Elephant Tent: How Running Away with the Circus Brought Me Home by Kathleen Cremonesi

Machiavelli: A Portrait by Christopher S. Celenza

Out of Orange: A Memoir by Cleary Wolters

Shirley, I Jest!: A Storied Life by Cindy Williams with Dave Smitherman



Easy access to news from around the world now is available from the Thousand Oaks Library with **PressReader**, featuring over 4,000 newspapers from 100 countries, in 60 languages. PressReader is the world leader in out-of-market newspaper and magazine distribution, enabling publishers to reach their readership through innovative digital and networking solutions. In addition to search and bookmarking tools, PressReader also provides readers with a traditional 2-page newspaper view, table of contents, article jumps (linking article sections) and easy-to-read text views.

Now readers can translate their newspaper instantly into one of ten major foreign languages. Six sections collect news of interest: Front page, News, Business, Sports, Entertainment, Editorial and more. Pick any of the last 7 days of the week or

point to Current. A news tickertape scrolls across the top and news can be narrowed down to Reader's Choice, All Sources, Editor's Picks or Librarian's Picks. Images of news flips, but can be paused, clicked through forward or back and clicking on the image brings up the related article, as well as thumbnail images of other featured articles. PressReader is platform-independent, requires no additional software or plugins, and works on both Windows and Macintosh systems. Enjoy world news at the Thousand Oaks Library today! 📰

## New Feature Films

- Black Sea - Action
- Camp X-ray - Drama
- Danny Collins - Drama
- The Duff - Comedy
- Ex Machina - Sci-Fi/Fantasy
- Far From The Madding Crowd - Romance
- Fifty Shades of Grey - Drama
- Focus - Drama
- Grace Stirs Up Success - Children
- Insurgent - Action
- It Follows - Horror
- Jupiter Ascending - Sci-Fi/Fantasy
- Kingsman: The Secret Service - Action
- McFarland, USA - Drama
- Monster High: Scaris, City of Frights - Children
- Outlander: Season 1, Volume 1 - TV Series
- Pound of Flesh - Action
- Project Almanac - Sci-Fi/Fantasy
- Run All Night - Action
- The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel - Comedy
- The Spongebob Movie: Sponge Out Of Water - Children
- Timbuktu - French Drama
- Wild Tales - Spanish Drama
- Woman in Gold - Drama

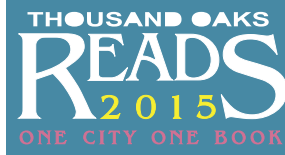


# Adults



## 2015 One City, One Book Events

The 9th Annual Thousand Oaks Reads Committee has been hard at work planning these upcoming programs using the themes from *The Book of Unknown Americans*. Mark your calendars and we hope to see you here.



**Sunday, October 4, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.** • Grant R. Brimhall Library  
**“Celebrando México!”** featuring *Ballet Folklórico Mestizo y los Mariachi Aguilas de Oxnard*: Come celebrate Mexico's exuberant music and dance traditions. Light refreshments will be served.

**Sunday, October 11, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.** • Grant R. Brimhall Library  
**Día de los Muertos**, or “The Day of the Dead,” celebrates both the vitality and fragility of life. Come honor the lost loved ones in your family, and learn about Latino culture with the Inlakech Arts Center. Our hands-on craft stations are set for making the paper skeletons, butterflies, flowers, banners, and elaborately decorated skulls, needed to create your own Día de los Muertos altar.

**Thursday, October 15, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.** • Grant R. Brimhall Library  
**Wednesday, November 4, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.** • Newbury Park Branch Library  
**“Why Are They So Mean?”** Join professionals from California Lutheran University's Community Counseling Services for a discussion about bullying: how to identify and prevent bullying, and understand its damaging effects to individuals and communities.

**Thursday, October 22, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.** • Grant R. Brimhall Library  
**Coming Back from Brain Trauma**: The Brain Injury Center of Ventura County provides support and assistance for injury survivors, their families and caregivers. Our panelists will discuss their challenges, victories and hopes for the future in this compelling program.

**Wednesday, October 28, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.** • Grant R. Brimhall Library  
**Historias familiares increíbles: Tracing your amazing family history**: A workshop hosted by the Ventura County Genealogical Society, with step-by-step guidance to help you explore your family's Latino roots.

**Thursday, October 29, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.** • Lundring Events Center at CLU  
**CLU Faculty Panel Discussion**. Professors from CLU bring their unique perspectives and thoughtful responses to many of the issues and themes in *The Book Of Unknown Americans*. Hosted by Dr. Michaela Reaves, Professor of History.

**Sunday, November 1, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.** • Grant R. Brimhall Library  
**Incendio In Concert**. Nominated for the Independent Music Award, Latin musical group Incendio brings fiery guitar work, joined with world rhythms, exciting improvisations and creative song structures.

**Monday, November 2, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.** • Grant R. Brimhall Library  
**The Dreamers**. An important panel discussion sponsored by The American Association of University Women and CLUE (Clergy and Laity United for Economic Justice), featuring young Latino students who, while they live in the shadows of society, strive to achieve the American dream.

**Sunday, November 8, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.** • Thousand Oaks Civic Arts Plaza Fred Kavli Theatre  
**Meet the Author: An Afternoon with Cristina Henriquez, author of The Book of Unknown Americans**. Thousand Oaks Reads: One City, One Book culminates with the appearance of Cristina Henriquez. She will discuss her novel, answer readers' questions and sign books. Free tickets are required for this event. Tickets are available at the Grant R. Brimhall Library and the Newbury Park Branch Library beginning Saturday, October 3.

**COMMUNITY BOOK DISCUSSIONS:**  
Free and open to the public. No registration is required.

**Monday, October 5 at 7:00 p.m.** • Barnes & Noble Booksellers, Westlake Promenade

**Wednesday, October 14 at 7:00 p.m.** • Grant R. Brimhall Library  
Spanish Language Book Discussion

**Saturday, October 17 at 11:00 a.m.** • Grant R. Brimhall Library

**Saturday, October 24 at 11:00 a.m.** • Newbury Park Branch

## Medicare 101

**Wednesday, Sept. 9, 6:30-7:30 p.m.**  
Newbury Park Branch

AND

**Thursday, Sept. 10, 6:30-7:30 p.m.**  
Grant R. Brimhall Library

Are you turning 65? Do you have a parent who is wading into Medicare coverage? What does it all mean? **This program is strictly educational information on Medicare**, at no cost.

The purpose of the presentation is to break down and understand Medicare and its parts, when to enroll, when to postpone enrolling, how to avoid the Medicare penalties, etc. Information presented by Belinda Lang, Lang Insurance Services. 🍷

## History of the Conejo Valley

By Miriam Sprankling

**Wednesday, September 16 • 7-8p.m.**  
Grant R. Brimhall Library

Who settled the Conejo Valley? Who created Jungland and why did it close? Learn the facts about the history of our community from our local historian and author Miriam Sprankling in this interesting and informative program. Ms. Sprankling has written four books on the history of the area including: *Discovering the story of the Conejo Valley*, *Ladies of the Conejo*, *The Newburys of Newbury Park*, and *Tales and Voices of the Conejo*. 🍷



# Calendar of Events

## — September

GRB = Grant R. Brimhall Library • NPB = Newbury Park Branch Library

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
		Free Movie Night. Star Trek 7:00pm at NPB.		Friendly Book Discussion Group. 6:30pm at GRB.	Kindermusik with Katie. Ages 0-5 yrs. 10:30am at NPB. 	
6	7 Labor Day LIBRARIES CLOSED 	8	9 Ready, Set, Compute! 11:00am at GRB.  Medicare 101. 6:30pm at NPB.	10  Medicare 101. 6:30pm at GRB. History Book Discussion Group. 7:00pm at Goebel Adult Center.	11 Kindermusik with Katie. Ages 0-5 yrs. 10:30am at GRB. 	12  STEAM program: Juno and the New Renaissance. 2:00pm at GRB.
13	14 Rosh Hashana Free Movie Matinee. The Hundred Foot Journey 1:00pm at GRB.	15 Conejo Valley Neighborhood For Learning. Parent and Child Baby Play & Learn Class. Ages 0-24 mos. 10:30am at GRB. Ready, Set, Compute! 10:30am at NPB. Dog Days. 3:30pm at GRB. Free Movie Night. Star Trek: Into Darkness 7:00pm at NPB.	16 Toddler Play & Learn Storytime. Ages 2-3 yrs. 10:30am at GRB.  History of the Conejo Valley. 7:00pm at GRB.	17 Preschool Play & Learn Storytime. Ages 3-5 yrs. 10:30am at GRB.	18	19 12th Annual Thousand Oaks Arts Festival. www.toartsfestival.com THOUSAND OAKS  ARTS FESTIVAL
20 12th Annual Thousand Oaks Arts Festival. www.toartsfestival.com THOUSAND OAKS  ARTS FESTIVAL	21 Gift Store 20/20 Sale. 11:00am - 5:00pm Get 20% off!! 	22 Conejo Valley Neighborhood For Learning. Parent and Child Baby Play & Learn Class. Ages 0-24 mos. 10:30am at GRB. Dog Days. 3:30pm at GRB.	23 Yom Kippur Toddler Play & Learn Storytime. Ages 2-3 yrs. 10:30am at GRB.  Ready, Set, Compute! 6:00pm at GRB.	24 Preschool Play & Learn Storytime. Ages 3-5 yrs. 10:30am at GRB.	25	26 Master Gardener's Program. 10:00am at GRB. LEGO® Play @ Your Library. 2:00pm at GRB.
27	28 Free Movie Matinee. American Sniper 1:00pm at GRB.	29 Conejo Valley Neighborhood For Learning. Parent and Child Baby Play & Learn Class. Ages 0-24 mos. 10:30am at GRB. Easy Word Processing. 10:30am at NPB. Dog Days. 3:30pm at GRB. Adapting to Alzheimer's. 6:00pm at GRB.	30 Toddler Play & Learn Storytime. Ages 2-3 yrs. 10:30am at GRB.			

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# Calendar of Events

## — October



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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				<b>1</b> <b>Preschool Play &amp; Learn Storytime.</b> Ages 3-5 yrs. 10:30am at GRB. <b>Baby/Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime.</b> Ages 0-3 yrs. 10:30am at NPB. <b>Friendly Book Discussion Group.</b> 6:30pm at GRB.	<b>2</b> <b>Understanding Spreadsheets.</b> 10:15am at GRB. <b>Kindermusik with Katie.</b> Ages 0-5 yrs. 10:30am at NPB.	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>  <b>T.O. Reads: OCOB Kick-off Program.</b> Celebrating Mexican Culture. 2:00pm at GRB.	<b>5</b> <b>Free OCOB Movie Matinee.</b> Spanglish 1:00pm at GRB. <b>T.O. Reads: OCOB Book Discussion.</b> 7:00pm at Barnes & Noble.	<b>6</b> Conejo Valley Neighborhood For Learning. <b>Parent and Child Baby Play &amp; Learn Class.</b> Ages 0-24 mos. 10:30am at GRB. <b>Dog Days.</b> 3:30pm at GRB. <b>Free OCOB Movie Night.</b> McFarland USA 7:00pm at NPB.	<b>7</b> <b>Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime.</b> Ages 2-3 yrs. 10:30am at GRB.	<b>8</b> <b>Preschool Play &amp; Learn Storytime.</b> Ages 3-5 yrs. 10:30am at GRB. <b>Baby/Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime.</b> Ages 0-3 yrs. 10:30am at NPB. <b>Cool Presentations.</b> 5:30pm at GRB. <b>CLU Lecture Series.</b> 7:00pm at GRB. <b>History Book Discussion Group.</b> 7:00pm at Goebel Adult Center.	<b>9</b> <b>Kindermusik with Katie.</b> Ages 0-5 yrs. 10:30am at GRB. 	<b>10</b> <b>T.O. Reads: OCOB Music of Dia de los Muertos.</b> 2:00pm at NPB.
<b>11</b> <b>T.O. Reads: OCOB Dia De Los Muertos</b> 2:00pm at GRB.	<b>12</b> Columbus Day <b>Free OCOB Movie Matinee.</b> Cesar Chavez 1:00pm at GRB.	<b>13</b> Conejo Valley Neighborhood For Learning. <b>Parent and Child Baby Play &amp; Learn Class.</b> Ages 0-24 mos. 10:30am at GRB. <b>Surfing the Web.</b> 10:30am at NPB. <b>Dog Days.</b> 3:30pm at GRB. <b>Free Movie Night.</b> Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest 7:00pm at NPB. <b>CSUCI Lecture Series.</b> 7:00pm at GRB.	<b>14</b> <b>Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime.</b> Ages 2-3 yrs. 10:30am at GRB. <b>T.O. Reads: OCOB Spanish Language Book Discussion.</b> 7:00pm at GRB.	<b>15</b> <b>Preschool Play &amp; Learn Storytime.</b> Ages 3-5 yrs. 10:30am at GRB. <b>Baby/Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime.</b> Ages 0-3 yrs. 10:30am at NPB. <b>T.O. Reads: OCOB Why Are They So Mean?</b> 7:00pm at GRB.	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> <b>T.O. Reads: OCOB Book Discussion.</b> 11:00am at GRB.
<b>18</b> 	<b>19</b> <b>Free OCOB Movie Matinee.</b> A Better Life 1:00pm at GRB.	<b>20</b> Conejo Valley Neighborhood For Learning. <b>Parent and Child Baby Play &amp; Learn Class.</b> Ages 0-24 mos. 10:30am at GRB. <b>Gift Store 20/20 Sale.</b> 11:00am - 5:00pm Get 20% off on the 20th of every month! <b>Dog Days.</b> 3:30pm at GRB. <b>Free OCOB Movie Night.</b> Cesar Chavez 7:00pm at NPB.	<b>21</b> <b>Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime.</b> Ages 2-3 yrs. 10:30am at GRB. <b>Outlook Email Basics.</b> 11:00am at GRB.	<b>22</b> <b>Preschool Play &amp; Learn Storytime.</b> Ages 3-5 yrs. 10:30am at GRB. <b>Baby/Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime.</b> Ages 0-3 yrs. 10:30am at NPB. <b>T.O. Reads: OCOB Coming Back from Brain Trauma.</b> 7:00pm at GRB.	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> <b>T.O. Reads: OCOB Book Discussion.</b> 11:00am at NPB. Teen Read Week Program: <b>Brushbot Workshop.</b> 2:00pm at GRB.
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> <b>Free OCOB Movie Matinee.</b> Spare Parts 1:00pm at GRB.	<b>27</b> Conejo Valley Neighborhood For Learning. <b>Parent and Child Baby Play &amp; Learn Class.</b> Ages 0-24 mos. 10:30am at GRB. <b>Dog Days.</b> 3:30pm at GRB. <b>Free Movie Night.</b> The Ring 7:00pm at NPB.	<b>28</b> <b>Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime.</b> Ages 2-3 yrs. 10:30am at GRB. <b>T.O. Reads: OCOB Historias familiares increíbles: Tracing your amazing family history.</b> 6:30pm at GRB.	<b>29</b> <b>Preschool Play &amp; Learn Storytime.</b> Ages 3-5 yrs. 10:30am at GRB. <b>Baby/Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime.</b> Ages 0-3 yrs. 10:30am at NPB. <b>T.O. Reads: OCOB CLU Faculty Panel Discussion.</b> 7:00pm at CLU.	<b>30</b> <b>Free Movies "FRIGHT FEST" at NBP.</b> The Nightmare Before Christmas - 11:00am Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone - 1:30pm Drag Me To Hell - 4:30pm Sleepy Hollow - 6:30pm	<b>31</b> Halloween 

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# Teens

A STEAM Program

## Juno and the New Renaissance

Saturday, September 12 • 2-3p.m.  
Grant R. Brimhall Library

**Speaker: Theo Clarke**  
*Jet Propulsion Laboratory,  
Consultant on NASA's Juno mission  
to the planet Jupiter*

NASA's Juno spacecraft was launched August 5, 2011. It looped around the sun and returned to Earth on October 9, 2013, for a gravity assist that slung it on its journey to the planet Jupiter. Juno will arrive at Jupiter on July 4, 2016 to begin a one-year investigation of that giant planet.

But Juno is much more than a robotic space laboratory to study the planet



Jupiter. Juno is the embodiment of a remarkable union of science, technology, history, literature, music, art, and public engagement. As Juno sails the cosmic sea to Jupiter it can be deemed an ambassador to the universe of a New Renaissance.

In a 27 year career at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Theo Clarke worked as scientist and engineer on the Mariner 10 mission to Venus and Mercury, the Voyager mission to the outer planets, and the Galileo mission to Jupiter. He is the recipient of NASA's prestigious Exceptional Service Medal for his

service and dedication to Galileo's Earth encounters. He has lectured on the U.S. space program all over the world, including to all three U.S. military academies. Clarke currently is an Adjunct Professor of Physics at Pasadena City College and a consultant on NASA's Juno mission to the planet Jupiter.

The Library will be holding a series of special programs throughout 2015 (for children and teens) based on Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics (STEAM). 🍌



Special Teen Read Week Program:

## Brushbot Workshop

Saturday, October 24, 2015 • 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.  
Grant R. Brimhall Library

Building Brushbots for Tweens: Construct a brushbot made from the head of a toothbrush and wire its battery to make it race! You can design your brushbot any way you like! Join us and build your own mini brushbot! 🍌





# Children & Families



## 1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Do you have an infant, toddler or preschooler at home? Have you heard about the Library's "1000 Books before Kindergarten" program? Thousand Oaks Library is encouraging families and caregivers to read 1,000 books with their young children before the children enter kindergarten. Reading aloud to young children helps strengthen their language and listening skills, builds and improves vocabulary and helps to increase attention spans – all important tools for learning to read and eventual school success. Come in to learn more about this program and pick up your reading log at the library or print it out online at:

<http://research.tolibrary.org/1000books>



## Play & Learn Storytimes

**GRANT R. BRIMHALL LIBRARY  
Marvin E. Smith Community Room**  
(Before Library hours – Participants should enter the Main Library entrance)

*Conejo Valley Neighborhood for Learning*  
**Parent and Child**

**Baby Play & Learn Classes**

*Ages: 0-24 months*

Tuesdays: 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

September 15, 22, 29, October 6, 13, 20, 27



**Toddler Play & Learn Storytime**

*Ages: 2-3 years*

Wednesdays: 10:30 – 11:20 a.m.

September 16, 23, 30, October 7, 14, 21, 28

**Preschool Play & Learn Storytime**

*Ages: 3-5 years*

Thursdays: 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

September 17, 24, October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

**NEWBURY PARK BRANCH  
LIBRARY  
Meeting Room**

**Baby/Toddler Play & Learn  
Storytime**

*Ages: 0-3*

Thursdays: 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29



## Dog Days!

**Grant R. Brimhall Library**  
**Every Tuesday, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.**  
**Children's Library Program Room**  
Beginning September 15.

Readers of all levels and abilities are invited to come to read to a certified therapy dog! No advance registration. Participants will sign up for a brief 10-15 minute session with one of the therapy dogs and its owner. 🐕



## LEGO® Play @ Your Library

Calling all MASTER BUILDERS! Come have fun and build your own LEGO® creations at these free monthly constructive play activities. DUPLO® bricks are available for younger builders.

**Grant R. Brimhall Library  
Community Room**  
**2:00 – 3:00 p.m.**  
Saturday, September 26



Follow Me to  
**Kindermusik**  
**@ your library!**

**Ages 0-5**

Join Katie Shinden, and other Kindermusik teachers, for these delightful monthly musical programs at both libraries! Music and fun for little ones, their parents and caregivers!

**Newbury Park Branch Library  
Meeting Room 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.**  
Friday, September 4 & Friday, October 2

**Grant R. Brimhall Library  
Community Room 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.**  
Friday, September 11 &  
Friday, October 9 🐾



# Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library

## Shop and Help the Friends at the Same Time

Want to help the Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library but have limited extra funds? Now, you can help while shopping on Amazon. The Friends are now listed as an eligible charity on AmazonSmile so you can shop online and the Friends will receive .5% of the purchase price on eligible purchases from AmazonSmile. ([smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com))

AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same service. It just helps your favorite charity in the process. You use the same account on Amazon.com and AmazonSmile. Your shopping cart, Wish List, wedding or baby registry, and other account settings also are the same. On your first visit to AmazonSmile, you need to select the Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. Amazon will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make on AmazonSmile will result in a donation to the Friends. It's that simple. 🍷

## Friendly Book Discussion Group

The Friendly Book Discussion Group meets at 6:30 p.m. 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.

**Thursday, September 3, 2015:**

*The Book of Unknown Americans* by  
Cristina Henriquez

**Thursday, October 1, 2015:**

*Enough: True Measures of Money, Business,  
and Life* by John C. Bogle 🍷

## Support the Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library

Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library provides financial support for enhancements to library collections, sponsors special educational and cultural programs, and provides volunteer assistance where needed. The Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library is a non-profit organization, made up entirely of volunteers who are committed to promoting and enhancing the Thousand Oaks Library System.

One of the most important roles of the Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library is to raise funds in support of the Library's cultural programs. A wide variety of cultural programs are held at the Library throughout the year for people of all ages.

If you enjoy attending these programs, please consider contributing to the Friends to continue to support these wonderful cultural events. Please pick up a membership form at the Library or visit [www.ftol.org](http://www.ftol.org) for more information about contributing to the Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library. 🍷



[www.ftol.org](http://www.ftol.org)

Check out our redesigned website!

## Adapting to Alzheimer's: Aging Gracefully with Memory Changes

**Tuesday, September 29 • 6-7p.m.**  
**Grant R. Brimhall Library**

Alzheimer's caregiver, educator, and advocate, Sherry Lynn Harris will present *Adapting to Alzheimer's: Aging Gracefully with Memory Changes*. Harris will discuss warning signs and symptoms: what's normal age-related memory loss and when it may be time to get a geriatric evaluation. She gives coping strategies to care compassionately for a loved one with memory issues, and innovative concepts for handling challenging situations. She also shows ways to improve your memory proactively, including ideas on how to create more joy in your life. Harris is the author of the book *Adapting to Alzheimer's*, the CD *Serenity Visualizations*, and the website [www.Adapt2Alz.com](http://www.Adapt2Alz.com). 🍷

## History Book Discussion Group

The History Book Discussion Group meets from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. 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.

**Thursday, September 10, 2015:**

*Empress Dowager* by Jung Chang

**Thursday, October 8, 2015:**

*Heretics and Heroes* by Thomas Cahill 🍷