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## CSUCI Lecture Series

California State University, Channel Islands and the Thousand Oaks Library are presenting very topical lectures this Fall:

OnTuesday, November 10, 2015, the topic will be "Logistics and Labor: Recent Developments at West Coast Ports" with Dr. Elizabeth Sowers at the Grant R. Brimhall Library's Marvin E. Smith Community Room at 7:00 pm. This talk will discuss the logistics industry and its rise to prominence in the last few decades, including recent developments in the labor environment at West Coast ports.

On Tuesday, December 8, 2015, the topic will be "Through the Looking Glass: A Chemist's Perspective on Lewis Carroll" with Dr. Philip Hampton at the Newbury Park Branch Library Meeting Room at 7:00 pm. This talk will explore the chemistry behind Looking Glass House from the perspective of "handed molecules" and how the handedness of molecules relates to the thalidomide tragedy of the late 50's that resulted in birth defects in children.

## CLU Lecture Series

California Lutheran University and the Thousand Oaks Library present:

#### A Century Ago: 1910-1920

Explore the decade from 1910-1920 with Cal Lutheran faculty members. Following the success of last year's lecture series on the 1960s, this year's lecture series takes on the social, political and economic times of the 1910s. Come enjoy CLU professors talk about this fascinating decade with a monthly lecture on Thursday evenings through April 7th. The next two lectures are:

Thursday, November 12 It's A Scandal! (Black Sox / Jeffries Fight) Chris Kimball, Ph.D., Cal Lutheran President

Thursday, December 10 Let Us Entertain You: Vaudeville Michael McCambridge, Ed.D.

These lectures will be in the Marvin E. Smith Community Room at the Grant R. Brimhall Library in Thousand Oaks at 7:00pm.

# **Director's Message**

Whenever one starts something new, there is always excitement. Change is exciting. Learning new things is a fun challenge. Being at the beginning of just such a new adventure, I am happy to share that my position as Library Services Director carries with it all of the fun and excitement you could imagine.

As I learn about all the ins and outs of the Library, I am continually impressed by the community support our Library enjoys. And community support is something we don't take for granted. We always are looking for ways to improve and be even more responsive to community needs. In just the past few months, staff have seen the culmination of many projects, several years in the making, such as:

- Upgrading our radio frequency identification (RFID) system to manage our collections better, enabling us to enhance our selfcheckout capabilities
- Enabling online registration for a new Library card
- Introducing new Library cards, with a handy key chain attachment

We hope you will enjoy these new changes and look forward to bringing you more service enhancements in the future. Leaves aren't the only things changing this fall and we encourage you to check us out!

Heather J. Cousin, MLIS Library Services Director





# Featured Resources & New Arrivals

## **Business Insights: Essentials**

# **New Arrivals** focus on **Fiction**

<u>Alert</u> by James Patterson and Michael Ledwidge

Among the Ten Thousand Things by Julia Pierpont

Archangel's Enigma by Nalini Singh

Best Boy by Eli Gottlieb Black-eyed Susans by Julia Heaberlin The Bourbon Kings by J.R. Ward Brown-eyed Girl by Lisa Kleypas Circling the Sun by Paula McLain



<u>Come Rain or Come Shine</u> by Jan Karon

The Courtesan by Alexandra Gambrill Curry

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The End Game: A
Brit in the FBI by
Catherine Coulter
and J.T. Ellison
Friction by Sandra
Brown

The Girl in the Spider's

<u>Web</u> by David Lagercrantz; translated from the Swedish by George Goulding

The Heart Goes Last by Margaret Atwood

The Hidden by Heather Graham

If You Only Knew by Kristan Higgins Kitchens of the Great Midwest by J. Ryan Stradal

<u>The Murder House</u> by James Patterson and David Ellis



The Thousand Oaks Library provides business information resources for business people and investors. You've got it covered at the Library with basic resources like The Wall Street Journal, Investor's Business Journal, Value Line, Morningstar, ReferenceUSA and another high quality, reliable business resource: Business Insights: Essentials.

Business owners, entrepreneurs, marketing professionals, investors, financial planners, and general researchers can explore real-world applications and develop analytical skills. Business Insights: Essentials features easy-to-search content, a user-friendly interface, and robust analytical tools.

Business Insights: Essentials delivers authoritative company and industry information, articles, and statistical data. As a business researcher you have instant access to reliable, comprehensive data and the tools to analyze and interpret the information.

You can search across multiple data types from a single search box with targeted options by category: company, article, industry, and keyword. You can search broadly or narrow down using criteria filters including country, state, SIC code, NAICS, revenue, or number of employees.

Business Insights: Essentials company information has histories, financials, and competitors. You can download SWOT analysis and market share reports, Thomson Reuters company financials and investment reports, and industry essays.

You can use it to research career opportunities by company, geography or industry. You can explore easily related associations and groups.

With Business Insights: Essentials you can investigate investment opportunities comprehensively and easily, study product and brand info, and find parent-subsidiary relationships. You can even target new B2B customers.

Industry overviews include a snapshot, organization outline, and links to related content like rankings, market research, and recent news. Interactive comparison charts let users compare companies within an industry; manipulate the statistical data, and more.

Data can be exported so users can create their own charts from scratch or add it to the data they've gathered during research.

You can listen with text-to-speech tool and translate the user interface and at the article level to obtain competitive intelligence and trends.

Business Insights: Essentials puts a lot of useful data at your fingertips:

- 300 sources for investment research/ brokerage reports
- 1,000 SWOT reports, updated quarterly
- 2,200 corporate chronologies
- 3,900 full-text periodicals
- 11,500 market research reports
- 14,000 industry research reports from *Datamonitor*
- 15,000 company histories
- 50,500 articles from Market Share Reporter
- 70,000 associations
- 80,000 articles from Gale's Business Rankings Annual
- 465,000 company profiles including 2,000 with deep links to related content and statistical data

You can access Business Insights: Essentials right now by going to the Thousand Oaks Library's website at http://www.toaks.org/library, scroll to "Services & Research" and click on the icon for "Online Research & Homework Help", click on the heading for "Business & Finance" and scroll to the area for "Company Information." You will see Business Insights: Essentials at the top of the list. To access, you will need your Thousand Oaks Library card number and your PIN number (your PIN defaults to the last 4 digits of your telephone number).

# Adults

# Thousand Oaks Library Now Offers Library Document Stations

The Thousand Oaks Library is pleased to announce the opening of the Library Document Station at the Grant R. Brimhall Library, 1401 E. Janss Road.

EnvisionWare's Library Document Station is the first full self-service document solution designed specifically for public libraries. The Library Document Station allows patrons to copy, e-mail, scan, fax, upload to Google, and send to a smart phone or iPad. The unit is located across from the Information Desk. The Family Search option is also available for patrons who

have a Family Search account. Black and white scanning is \$0.15 per image.

"Whether you're a small-business owner, student, or retiree, almost everyone has a need to transfer materials digitally," said Division Manager Samantha Yeung. "The Library Document Station enables patrons to scan and transfer all types of documents, photos and materials to their e-mail, smart phone, tablet, fax, Google Drive, MS OneDrive, print, Family Search or USB."

There also are plans to bring a Document Station to the Newbury Park Branch in the near future.

For more information about the stations and other library services, call 805-449-2660, option 5 or visit the Reference/Information Desk.

## Mindful Living During the Holidays

# Learn 16 Mindful Tips to Practice for a Happier Holiday Season

On Wednesday, November 18, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. at the Grant R. Brimhall Library and at 6:30 p.m. at the Newbury Park Branch Library.

Presented by Lindsay Leimbach, who has 23 years of experience working with emotionally challenged individuals and their families.

As a Mindful Living coach, she has taught classes and seminars for schools, groups, businesses, and parents on Mindful Living, active awareness, and positive emotional and physical change.



The Thousand Oaks Library and Thousand Oaks Police Department have teamed up to make it even easier for borrowers to return their materials to the Thousand Oaks Library.

Library patrons now can drop off materials from the Thousand Oaks Library at any Police Resource Center during open hours, and members of the Volunteers In Policing group will carefully deliver returned materials back to the Thousand Oaks Library.

There are two Police Resource Centers in Thousand Oaks, one at City Hall (2100 E. Thousand Oaks Blvd) on the third level near the box office, and one at the Oaks Mall (222 West Hillcrest Drive), next to Macy's (Women's) on the lower level.

#### Thousand Oaks Police Resource Center Hours

City Hall Location:

Monday - Friday 8:00am - 4:30pm
Closed every other Friday coinciding
with the City offices being closed.

Oaks Mall Location:

Monday - Friday 10:00am - 4:00pm
Saturdays\* 12:00pm - 4:00pm
\*Saturdays upon volunteer availability,

please call first: 805-497-3235

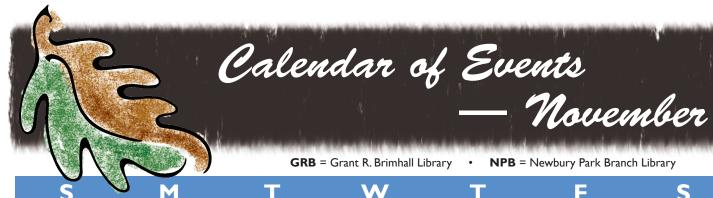
### **Cello Concert**

On Sunday, November 15, 2015 at 3:00 pm at the Grant R. Brimhall Library, Dr. Joyce Geeting, accompanied by pianist Christine DeKlotz, will perform movements from the Concerto in E Minor by Edward Elgar. Following the playful second movement, they will be joined by young cellists and younger students for more music.



# Got Financial Questions? Get Answers.

On Monday, November 16, 2015, 6:00-7:30 pm, the Thousand Oaks Library and Conejo Valley Financial Advocates host a panel of experts at the Grant R. Brimhall Library, where you can get your general financial questions answered. Financial topics to be discussed include: Accounting and Tax, Financial Planning, Investments, Insurance, Long Term Care Insurance, Mortgage Finance, Real Estate, and Trusts & Wills.





# Calendar of Events — December

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# Youth & Family

# Save the Date! Star Wars Day

In celebration of the new Star Wars film coming out later this month, the Thousand Oaks Library is planning a Star Wars Day for families to be held on Saturday, December 5, 2015, 2:00 - 4:00 pm.

Come do some crafts, see costumed characters and more. Mark your calendar and dust off your Darth Vader or Princess Leia costume and we will see you there!



#### **Hour of Code**

During Computer Science Education Week, December 7-13, 2015

A one-hour activity. A spark to keep learning computer science. Students of all ages can choose from a variety of self-guided tutorials,

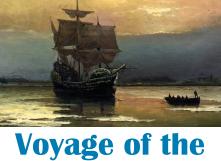
### HOUR OF CODE

for kindergarten and up. Tutorials work on any modern browser, tablet, smart phone, or even with no computer at all. Code.org's tutorials feature Disney's Frozen, Scrat from Ice Age, Angry Birds, and Plants vs. Zombies. Once students see what they can create, they are empowered to keep going. **No experience needed.** 

GRB Community Meeting Room Monday, December 7, 6:30 – 7:30 pm.

GRB Library Technology Training Room Wednesday, December 9, 4:00-5:00 pm. Friday, December 11, 4:00-5:00 pm.

Newbury Park Library Meeting Room Thursday, December 10, 3:30-5:00 pm. \*\*

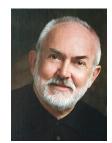


# Voyage of the Mayflower & The First Thanksgiving

Saturday, Nov. 21, 2015 2:00 - 3:00 pm Grant R. Brimhall Library

Learn about the historic voyage of the Mayflower, and the very first

Thanksgiving meal.
Robert Dempster
is the Governor of
the Rancho Conejo
Colony of Mayflower
Descendants,
Treasurer of the
Jamestowne Society.
He is also a Baron in



the Baronial Order of the Magna Carta, and a member of several genealogy groups and family associations. He is a lifetime member of the Council of the New England Historic Genealogical Society.



## Conejo Valley Classic Film Festival IV

Showcasing classic films shot in the Conejo Valley 3 NIGHTS / 3 VENUES

As part of the Fourth Annual Conejo Valley Classic Film Festival the Thousand Oaks Library will present a free screening of the classic film **How** 

The West Was Won (1963) on Friday, November 13, 2015 at 7:00 pm in the Marvin E. Smith Community Room at the

Grant R. Brimhall Library.

Other film screenings during this year's festival are: Saturday, November 14 at Cal Lutheran University and Sunday, November



15 at Hillcrest Center for the Arts.

For more information, please visit: www.conejovalleyfilmfestival.com. 👻

# 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 👻



#### 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 am. Friday, November 6 & Friday, December 4

Grant R. Brimhall Library
Community Room 10:30 – 11:00 am
Friday, November 13 &
Friday, December 11

# Family Fun Night!

# Featuring: Music and Movement with Jessica

On Wednesday, November 4, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. families with children ages 0-5 are invited to this special free event to promote early childhood literacy. Participants are invited to dance, clap, and sing along as Jessica Vang performs original and classic children's songs in this fun and interactive program. Older siblings and family members are welcome to join the fun, too! Presented by the Thousand Oaks Library and Conejo Valley Neighborhood for Learning.

This program is FREE and open to the public courtesy of the Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library.



Grant R. Brimhall Library
Every Tuesday, 3:30 – 4:30 pm
Children's Library Program Room
Through November 17

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.





# 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 am November 3, 10, 17

**Toddler Play & Learn Storytime** 

Ages: 2-3 years Wednesdays: 10:30 – 11:20 am

November 4 & 18

(Library is closed Nov. 11 for Veteran's Day.)

**Preschool Play & Learn Storytime** 

Ages: 3-5 years

Thursdays: 10:30 − 11:30 am November 5, 12, 19 👻



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## 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 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)

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. 👻

### 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.

**Thursday, November 5, 2015:** Age of Ambition: Chasing Fortune, Truth and Faith in the New China by Evan Osnos

Thursday, December 3, 2015: Guest Speaker to be announced.

## Support the Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library

The Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library provide financial support for enhancements to library collections, sponsor special educational and cultural programs, and provide volunteer assistance where needed. The Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library is a non-profit organization, made up entirely of volunteers 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 for more information about contributing to the Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library.



Check out our redesigned website!

### Conejo Valley Harmony Oaks Chorus

Sunday, Dec. 20, 2015 3:00 - 4:00 pm

at the Grant R. Brimhall Library

This holiday concert will feature the Conejo Valley Harmony Oaks Chorus (CVHOC) and quartets singing a variety of winter seasonal favorites such as "I'll Be Home for Christmas" and "Feast of Lights" medley, all sung in the style of barbershop. Be sure to mark your calendar! You won't want to miss this special holiday event!

For over 40 years the award-winning CVHOC has shared their love of barbershop singing with the community. CVHOC, based in Newbury Park, is the local men's chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society.

This event is free and open to the public courtesy of the Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library. For more information visit www.toaks.org/library or call 805-381-7358.

# **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.

Thursday, November 12, 2015: The Great Influenza by John M. Barry

Thursday, December 10, 2015: Those Angry Days by Lynne Olson 👻