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## 10th Annual Thousand Oaks Reads: One City, One Book 2016

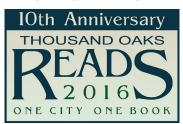
By Margaret Douglas

In the spring of 1955, Emma Gatewood told her family she was going on a walk. She left her small Ohio farm with a change of clothes and fewer than two hundred dollars. The next anyone heard from her, this 67-year-old greatgrandmother had walked 800

miles along the 2,050-mile Appalachian Trail. When she finally stood atop Maine's Mount Katahdin in September, she sang "America the Beautiful" and became the first woman to hike the entire Appalachian Trail alone.

The 10th Thousand Oaks Reads: One City, One Book selection is *Grandma Gatewood's Walk* by Pulitzer-nominated writer and journalist Ben Montgomery.

Using Emma Gatewood's own journals and



actual trail diaries, his meticulous reporting and rich prose dig deep into a long-forgotten, quirky facet of American history, and introduces us to a memorable heroine, Grandma Gatewood. Her unforgettable story of dignity, resolute independence

and good-humored determination transformed her into a hiking celebrity, brought national attention to the obscure footpath, and likely saved the now iconic trail.

This fall, the Thousand Oaks Library celebrates our 10th One City, One Book season with engaging speakers, lively discussions, film and music events, workshops and an afternoon with author Ben Montgomery on November 6 at the Kayli Theatre.

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## **Director's Message**

#### Thousand Oaks Library, The Town Square?

In a recent article in the online journal, *The Conversation*, author Zenovia Toludi argued that we live in an era of declining public spaces. Gone are the days of places where people can meet, face-to-face, free to wrestle with the issues of the day without regard to status, achievement or intellect. While she makes an interesting case, particularly when looking at new park and public space development, I disagree.

Public libraries can and do fulfill some of that role as a neutral, third space. We offer not just the opportunity to learn from the various resources we own, but we provide the place where individuals can engage in meaningful dialog about anything one might find compelling conversation. And if you need a local example of this, look no further than our Library's One City, One Book program.

Celebrating our 10th year, the One City, One Book selection for this year is no less a conversation starter than the nine titles before it. *Grandma Gatewood's Walk*, by Ben Montgomery, tells an unusual story of how one self-possessed woman was finally able to lead the life she imagined, conquering one of the most difficult obstacles, hiking the Appalachian Trail. Beyond this amazing story of courage and survival, there also is the equally compelling story of how Emma Gatewood overcame domestic violence, poverty and the limiting roles of women in midcentury America.

If the Library stopped at simply recommending this book, we hardly could consider ourselves providers of that neutral third space. And, of course, we never have stopped at simply recommending the book. As loyal followers of

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## Featured Resources & New Arrivals

### **NoveList Database**

**By Enrique Rivero** 

## New Arrivals focus on Biographies

Chasing The Last Laugh: Mark Twain's
Raucous And Redemptive Round-The-World
Comedy Tour by Richard Zacks

<u>A Different Kind Of Daughter: The Girl Who</u> <u>Hid From The Taliban In Plain Sight</u> by Maria Toorpakai with Katharine Holstein

Elizabeth: The Forgotten
Years by John Guy

Game Of Crowns:
Elizabeth, Camilla, Kate,
And The Throne by
Christopher Andersen



Her Again: Becoming
Meryl Streep by Michael Schulman

If My Heart Could Talk: A Story Of Family, Faith, And Miracles by Dodie Osteen

Joe Gould's Teeth by Jill Lepore



Lab Girl by Hope Jahren

The Lady With The Borzoi: Blanche Knopf, Literary Tastemaker Extraordinaire by Laura Claridge

Love, Loss, And What We Ate by Padma Lakshmi

Over The Top And Back:

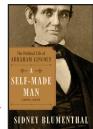
The Autobiography by Tom Jones

Porcelain: A Memoir by Moby

<u>Ruthless: Scientology, My Son David</u>
<u>Miscavige, And Me</u> by Ron Miscavige with
Dan Koon

A Self-Made Man: The Political Life Of Abraham Lincoln, 1809-1849 by Sidney Blumenthal

Walking Point: From The
Ashes Of The Vietnam
War by Perry A. Ulander



Maybe you have a favorite fiction author who really knows how to write. You always can count on that author for a good read. There's only one problem: you already read all his books and his next book is not due out for months! How can you find something good to read right now?

An easy way out of this dilemma is to ask a reference librarian. The librarians can come up with read-alike authors who write similarly to the one you like. That can tide you over until your favorite author's next book, and put you on to other authors who even might become your co-favorites.

You might wonder how the librarian can reliably make great recommendations regardless of whether it's literary fiction, science fiction, mystery, western, young adult, or anything else. Maybe he is a real smarty-pants. Well, he is no dummy, but the real reason his reading advice is so good is his secret weapon: the NoveList database.

NoveList is really good at matching readers' preferences in types of plots,

characters, settings, pacing, tone, etc. NoveList also provides series information. This takes the confusion out of figuring out where you are in the series so you can read it in the right order.

There are hundreds of lists: top ten, best of, favorites, and lists of book award winners: Caldecott Medal, Pulitzer, Man Booker, Hugo, Nebula, etc.

To help with making good selections, NoveList brings together reviews from professional sources like Booklist, Kirkus, Library Journal, Publishers Weekly, School Library Journal, as well as from readers (via Goodreads). NoveList is one-stop shopping!

You, too, can access NoveList through the Library's website at http://www.toaks. org/library. In the section for "Services & Research", click on the icon for "Online Research & Homework Help." There is a row of alphabetical tabs: click on the "N" tab to find NoveList. Put in your library card number and PIN and you are ready to discover your next reading adventure.

#### **New Feature Films**

- 13 Hours: The Secret Soldiers Of Benghazi - Action
- Anomalisa Drama
- Brooklyn Drama
- Concussion Drama
- Creed Drama
- Everest Action
- The Finest Hours Drama
- Gods Of Egypt Action
- The Good Dinosaur Disney
- The Hateful Eight Drama
- How To Be Single Comedy
- The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 2 - Action
- IP Man 3 Action

- Joy Drama
- Krampus Horror
- The Lady In The Van Drama
- Lego DC Comics Super Heroes: Justice League Cosmic Clash - Children
- Minions Children
- The Peanuts Movie Children
- Pride And Prejudice And Zombies Action
- The Revenant Action
- Risen Drama
- Sisters Comedy
- Star Wars: The Force Awakens SciFi/Fantasy
- The Witch Horror
- Zoolander 2 Comedy

# Fvents will be held in the Grant R. Brimhall Library's Marvin E. Smith Community Room (GRB)

or the Newbury Park Branch Library's Meeting Room (NPB) as indicated on the program description.

#### **Summer Movies**

#### **Lords of Dogtown**

Columbia, PG-13, 107 min., 2005 **Tuesday, July 5: 7pm at NPB**Stars John Robinson and Rebecca De Mornay.

#### The Greatest Game Ever Played

Walt Disney Pictures, Rated PG, 120 min., 2005

Monday, July 11: Ipm at GRB

Stars Shia LeBeouf and Stephen Dillane.

#### Friday Night Lights

Universal, Rated PG-13, 118 min., 2004 **Tuesday, July 12: 7pm at NPB**Stars Billy Bob Thornton and Lucas Black.

#### For the Love of the Game

Universal, Rated PG-13, 138 min. 1999

Monday, July 18: Ipm at GRB

Stars Kevin Costner and Kelly Preston.

#### A Knight's Tale

Columbia, Rated PG-13, 132 min., 2001 Tuesday, July 19: 7pm at NPB Stars Heath Ledger and Paul Bettany.

#### **Chariots of Fire**

Warner Bros., Rated PG, 125 min., 1981 Monday, July 25: Ipm at GRB Stars Ian Charleson and Ben Cross.

#### Creed

New Line Cinema, Rated PG-13, 132 min., 2015

**Tuesday, July 26: 7pm at NPB**Stars Sylvester Stallone and Michael B. lordan.

#### We Are Marshall

Warner Bros., Rated PG, 125 min., 2006

Monday, August 1: Ipm at GRB

Stars Matthew McConaughey and David

Strathairn.

## **Special Summer Programs**

#### **Silver Strings Orchestra**

#### Wednesday, July 13: 2-3pm at GRB

The entire family will enjoy this free musical program featuring local musicians who have banded together to play in harmony.



#### **Finance Panel**

#### Wednesday, July 13: 5:30-7pm at NPB

Come get your questions answered by the Conejo Valley Financial Advocates, a team of financial experts who can answer general insurance, mortgage, estate planning, and tax questions all in one place.

#### **The Power Seat**

#### Sunday, July 17: 3-4pm at GRB

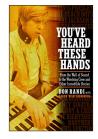
Former Ms. California and confidence coach, Christina Nepstad, will discuss her book *The Power Seat*. Copies of the book will be for sale and she will sign copies following her talk.



## Don Randi You've Heard These Hands Wednesday July 201 7 9 pm et CR

#### Wednesday, July 20: 7-8pm at GRB

Musician and author Don Randi shares his delightful stories of working with such music legends as the Beach Boys, the Jackson 5, Elvis Presley, Sammy Davis Jr., Neil Diamond, Nancy Sinatra, Linda Ronstadt



and others in his new book, You've Heard These Hands. Copies of his book will be for sale and he will sign copies following his talk.

## The Art of Digital Photography Wednesday, July 27: 6:30-8pm at NPB

Professional photographer Richard Smith will show you examples of his stunning photography and offer tips to help you take great digital photos.

#### Jack Wilson

## Saturday, July 30: 2-3pm at GRB

Retired pro baseball player (Pirates/Mariners/Braves 2001-2012) and former Thousand Oaks High School player will discuss his career and how hard work pays off.



#### Sedalia Ragtime Orchestra Sunday, August 7: 3-4pm at GRB

Come along and listen to some sweet old ragtime with this family-friendly, free concert featuring music from the ragtime era, spanning the years 1897 until 1917. Musicians will be in costume.



## What Are Ventura County Child Support Services?

#### Wednesday, August 10: 6-7pm at GRB

The Ventura County Department of Child Support Services is dedicated to making the child support program, services and processes more customer friendly and easier to understand. Come find out how to get the help you need.





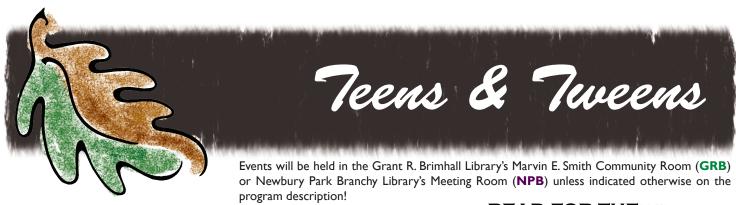
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## Calendar of Events — August

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	Free Movie Matinee We Are Marshall 1:00pm at GRB  WE ARE MARSHALL	Fitness & Fun! 3:00pm at NPB Free Movie Night Glory Road 7:00pm at NPB	Mighty Mickey's Magic Circus School age/Ages 5 & up. 11:00am at GRB 2:00pm at NPB	Preschool Play & Learn Storytime Ages 3-5 yrs. 10:30am at GRB Baby/Toddler Play & Learn Storytime Ages 0-3 yrs. 10:30am at NPB Free Movie Night Allegiant 6:00pm at GRB Discussion Group 6:30pm at GRB	3D Printing Workshop Ages 8 - Adult 3:00pm at GRB	Wildlife Learning Center School age/Ages 5 & up. 11:00am at GRB 2:00pm at NPB
7 Summer Reading Club Ends Sedalia Ragtime Orchestra 3:00pm at GRB	Free Movie Matinee Max 1:00pm at GRB BEST FREE D. HERO. MARINE	Free Movie Night Lord of the Rings: Fellowship of the Ring 7:00pm at NPB	What Are Ventura County Child Support Services? 6:00pm at GRB	History Book Discussion Group 7:00pm at Goebel Adult Center	12	13
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21	22	CRD RINGS Free Movie Night Lord of the Rings: Return of the King 7:00pm at NPB	24 CVUSD School Starts	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			



#### **Teen Movie Mania** Grades 6-12

#### Tuesday, July 5: 7pm at NPB - Lords of Dogtown Columbia, PG-13, 107 min., 2005

The true story of the kids who created modern skateboard culture in the early '70s is recreated in this drama about a roughand-tumble Venice, CA community known as "Dogtown." Stars John Robinson, Emile Hirsch and Rebecca De Mornay.

#### Tuesday, July 12: 7pm at NPB - Friday Night Lights Universal, Rated PG-13, 118 min., 2004

H.G. Bissinger's best-selling true-life account of a few months in the life of a top Texas high-school football team. Stars Billy Bob Thornton and Lucas Black.

#### Tuesday, July 19: 7pm at NPB - A Knight's Tale Columbia, Rated PG-13, 132 min., 2001

This crowd-pleasing Medieval adventure tale is very loosely inspired by Geoffrey Chaucer's The Canterbury Tales and mixes modern-day rock music with a period setting and characters. Stars Heath Ledger, Rufus Sewell and Paul Bettany.

#### Tuesday, July 26: 7pm at NPB - Creed

New Line Cinema, Rated PG-13, 132 min., 2015

Adonis Creed, son of former heavyweight champion Apollo Creed, attempts to follow in his father's footsteps and become a boxing legend in his own right with the help of Rocky Balboa. Stars Sylvester Stallone and Michael B. Jordan.

#### Thursday, July 28: 3:30pm at GRB - Divergent Summit, Rated PG-13, 140 min., 2014

First of the action thriller series adapted from the novels by Veronica Roth. Pizza immediately following the film!!

#### Thursday, July 28: 6pm at GRB - Insurgent Summit, Rated PG-13, 119 min., 2015

Second of the Divergent series. Both films star Shailene Woodley, Theo James, and Kate Winslet.

#### Thursday, August 4: 6pm at GRB - Allegiant Summit, Rated PG-13, 120 min., 2016

Third of the Divergent series. After the earth-shattering revelations of Insurgent, Tris must escape with Four beyond the wall that encircles Chicago, to finally discover the shocking truth of the world around them. Stars Shailene Woodley, Theo James, and Naomi Watts. 👻



## **Special Tween Events!!**

#### Fitness & Fun!

Thursday, June 30: 3:00 - 4:00pm GRB Tuesday, August 2: 3:00 - 4:00pm NPB

We all know fitness is important. But why? Tweens and teens can come find out from the experts at Conejo Recreation and Park District. Learn some simple exercises to do at home or at one of our beautiful parks! Also learn about the wonderful programs the Park District has for you.

#### **Tween Gaming**

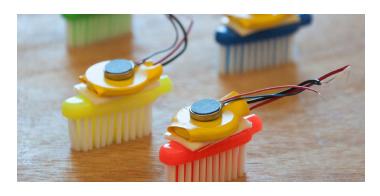
Tweens: Ages 9-13 / Middle Schoolers Grade 6-8 Tuesday, June 28: 3:00 - 4:30pm NPB Thursday, July 14: 3:00 - 4:30pm GRB

Super Smash Bros® and Mario Kart® tournaments at your Library! While you're waiting for your turn on the Wii, try out some of our board games.

#### **BrushBot Olympics**

Tweens: Ages 9-13 / Middle Schoolers Grade 6-8 Thursday, July 21: 3:00 - 4:00pm GRB Saturday, July 30: 3:00 - 4:00pm NPB

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! 👻



## Children & Families **Wonderful Wednesdays** housand Oaks library

#### **Best Bubble Parties**

School age/Ages 5 and up

July 6: 11:00 - 11:45am GRB and 2:00 - 2:45pm NPB

Become entranced by the science and magic of bubbles. Step inside a rainbow (literally!), See square-shaped bubbles and bubble fountains. Watch bubbles do what you never thought possible!

#### Dance - The Universal Sport with Teresa Smith

School age/Ages 5 and up

July 13: 11:30 - 12:15pm GRB and 2:00 - 2:45pm NPB

Dance with Teresa as she examines various styles of dance that are customarily used in competitions such as Dancing with the Stars.

#### Magician Mike Della Penna

School age/Ages 5 and up

July 20: 11:00 - 11:45am GRB and 1:30 - 2:15pm NPB

He's silly, he's funny and he'll make you go WOW! Mike Della Penna creates family magic performances that are equal parts playful and astonishing.

#### Olympic Training Camp

School age/Ages 5 to 10

July 27: 2:00 - 3:00pm NPB

Children can participate in their own Olympic Training Camp to prepare for the biggest games in the world. Different stations offer challenges of fun, strength, skill and more.

#### Free Family Movie: Cinderella

(Disney, PG, 112 min., 2015)

July 27: 11:00am - 1:00pm GRB

This Disney live-action film retells the classic story of a dream coming true for a girl mistreated by her stepmother and stepsisters. Bring your own refreshments. Stars Lily James and Cate Blanchett.

#### Mighty Mickey's Magic Circus

School age/Ages 5 and up

August 3: 11:00 - 11:45am GRB and 2:00 - 2:45pm NPB

Mighty Mickey's Magic Circus is a fun, family-friendly show starring a father and his multi-talented daughter involving magic, juggling, unicycling and audience participation. "

## **Super Saturdays**

#### Rebecca Strawberry

Preschoolers ages 1-5

July 2: 11:00 - 11:30am GRB

Rebecca Strawberry enchants pre-school children with interactive original music. Her songs develop an awareness of rhyme, the first step in pre-reading. Her childlike enthusiasm keeps children and parents engaged throughout.

#### **Noteworthy Puppets**

School age/Ages 5 and up

July 9: 11:00 - 11:45am GRB and 2:00 - 2:45pm NPB

Noteworthy Puppets present "Sherlock Homerun: A Whodunit Puppet Musical." Sherlock Homerun and his bilingual soccer ball sidekick, Watson, embark on a wacky musical mystery. The audience decides "whodunit", so this interactive show may never end the same way twice!

#### Arty Loon

School age/Ages 5 and up

July 16: 11:30am - 12:15pm GRB and 2:00 - 2:45pm NPB

Comedy, magic, amazing illusions, balloons, hilarious antics with audience participation, mayhem and more!

#### Olympic Training Camp

School age/Ages 5 to 10

July 23: 2:00 – 4:00pm GRB

Children will participate in their own Olympic Training Camp to prepare for the biggest games in the world. Different stations will offer challenges of fun, strength, skill and more.

#### Wildlife Learning Center

School age/Ages 5 and up

August 6: 11:00 - 11:45am GRB and 2:00 - 2:45pm NPB

Wildlife Learning Center provides informative and fun presentations featuring rescued wildlife. Children and families will enjoy seeing and learning about several types of rescued animals. 👻

#### Summer Storytime Classes

#### Baby/Toddler Play & **Learn Storytime**

Ages 0-3

Thursdays, 10:30 - 11:15am July 7, 14, 21, 28 & August 4

#### **Newbury Park Branch** Library Meeting Room

A brief lapsit storytime with stories, songs and rhymes, followed by 30 minutes of interactive playtime.

Conejo Valley Neighborhood for Learning:

#### **Toddler Play & Learn Class** Ages 2-3

Tuesdays, 10:30 - 11:20am July 5, 12, 19 & 26

#### Grant R. Brimhall Library Community Room

Before Library hours, participants should enter through the Main Library entrance. Enjoy 15-20 minutes of energetic, stories, songs, action rhymes and more for toddlers provided by CVNfL teacher, Nicole Clardy, followed by 30 minutes of play activities.

#### Preschool Play & **Learn Storytime**

Ages 3-5

Thursdays, 10:30 - 11:30am July 7, 14, 21, 28 & August 4 Grant R. Brimhall Library **Community Room** 

Before Library hours, participants should enter through the Main Library entrance. An hour of fun for preschoolers with 30 minutes of stories, songs and fingerplays followed by 30 minutes of free play and preschool-level math, science, art and literacy.

## Music & Movement

Ages 0-3

Fridays, 11:00 - 11:30am July 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29

#### **Grant R. Brimhall Library Community Room**

Join instructor, Jessica Vang for music and movement including singing, dancing, rhythm, and movement. Have fun and reinforce emergent reading skills of your little ones! 👻



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 Library System.

## Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library

## Friends of the Thousand Oaks 10th Annual Thousand Oaks Reads: One City, One Book 2016 We'll take library patrons on a guided hike through Paramount Ranch, screen a like through Paramount Ranch, screen a

One City, One Book 2016 presenters include:

- Dennis McCarthy, the legendary award-winning columnist who'll talk about success at any age
- Liz Thomas, Appalachian Trail women's speed hiking champion and blogger
- Charles Fleming, Urban Hiking columnist for the Los Angeles Times
- Dan White, author of Under the Stars: How America Fell in Love with Camping (2016)

We'll take library patrons on a guided hike through Paramount Ranch, screen a series of outdoors-themed movies, and hear thoughtful responses to the book's themes during the CLU Faculty Panel Discussion. And much more.

One City, One Book begins Saturday, October 1st with a musical performance by another 1950s icon, ELVIS, starring local impersonator Raymond Michael.

Books in various formats are available now at both Libraries. We can't wait to welcome you because: "When we open a book together, we close it in greater harmony."

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 programming is 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.

## 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, July 7, 2016:

A Midsummer's Night Dream by William Shakespeare

#### Thursday, August 4, 2016:

Complete Stories of Anton Chekhov Vol 1 by Anton Chekhov 👻

## **Director's Message**

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the One City, One Book program know, we will have a full calendar of programs — discussions, performances and other activities that will help bring the story to life.

We at the Library must remember, however, that providing programs like One City, One Book, are just one way to create a space for personal enrichment and intellectual curiosity. Look

for more interesting programs at both our libraries that, we hope, will challenge your assumptions and give you pause. Stay tuned and stay curious!

If you'd like to read the article, it can be found here: The Conversation, "Are We in the Midst of a Public Space Crisis" or http://goo.gl/V5Bgsl.

Heather J. Cousin, MLIS Library Services Director 👻



www.ftol.org

Check out our website!

#### History Book Discussion Group

The History Book Discussion Group meets from 7:00 to 9:00pm on the second Thursday of the month in the Goebel Adult Community Center, 1385 E. Janss Road. For more information, contact Jack Heller at 805-341-7585.

#### Thursday, July 14, 2016:

Uncertain Justice by Laurence Tribe & Joshua Matz

Thursday, August 11, 2016:

Polio by David Oshinsky Page 8