



# The Oakleaf

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## Libraries Transform

### National Library Week: April 10-16

"Libraries Transform" is the theme of this year's National Library Week, April 10-16, 2016.

First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a time to celebrate the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians and to promote library use and support. All types of libraries – school, public, academic and special – participate.



Thousand Oaks Library hopes you'll join us for some exciting free programs we have lined up for National Library Week 2016.

**Sunday, April 10** at 2:00pm – Grant R. Brimhall Library – **Shawn McMaster** will be here with his interactive comedy and magic show for all ages.

**Monday, April 11** at 1:00pm – Grant R. Brimhall Library – **Free Movie Matinee** showing **THE AGE OF ADALINE** starring Blake Lively and Harrison Ford (PG-13, 2015, Lionsgate).

**Monday, April 11** at 6:30pm – Newbury Park Branch – **Medicare 101** with Belinda Lang who will give you all the information you need to sign up for medicare and what plan

you need.

**Tuesday, April 12** at 12:00pm – Grant R. Brimhall Library – Come and listen to the amazing sounds of **Opera Santa Barbara** during your lunch break.

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## Director's Message

### "I didn't know libraries did that!"

That was the familiar refrain when I had the pleasure of presenting at the Conejo Las Virgenes Future Foundation's 11th Senior Congress. The daylong event focused on the value and availability of lifelong learning opportunities for seniors across the greater Conejo Valley.

In a day filled with presentations from medical professionals, exercise specialists and senior advocates from every agency, our Library was a perfect fit. The experts spoke about the value of new experiences and discovering new ideas to keep our brains sharp as we age.

With our wealth of physical and virtual resources, I challenge anyone of any age to visit our Library in person or online and not learn something new! Surprisingly, though, for many of the attendees, thinking of the public library

as a unique, lifelong learning destination was a new concept.

Sure, everyone knows you can get books and visit a storytime with your child or grandchild at the Library, but many were shocked to learn that the Thousand Oaks Library has 3D printing, coding programs, job search and small business resources and personal development events, available to everyone, of every age. In addition to the 25 new Library cards I issued, the event served as a great reminder that while everyone appreciates our amazing Library, they may not always know what we have to offer.

With that in mind, I challenge you, this Spring, to find something new at your Library. It'll keep you younger!

Heather J. Cousin, MLIS  
Library Services Director 🐿



# Featured Resources & New Arrivals

## New Arrivals focus on **Mysteries**

Away in a Manger by Rhys Bowen

The Bark Before Christmas by Laurien Berenson

The Beat Goes On: The Complete Rebus Stories by Ian Rankin

Blood, Salt, Water by Denise Mina

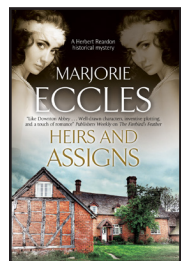
Brotherhood in Death by J. D. Robb

Bryant & May and the Burning Man by Christopher Fowler

The Chessmen by Peter May

The Crooked House by Christobel Kent

The Ex by Alafair Burke



Harbour Street by Ann Cleeves

Heirs and Assigns by Marjorie Eccles

House of the Rising Sun by James Lee Burke

The Killing Room by Christobel Kent

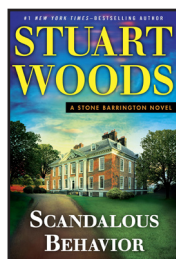
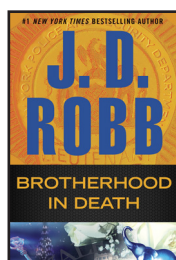
Murder on St. Nicholas Avenue by Victoria Thompson

Mycroft Holmes by Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and Anna Waterhouse

The Old Deep and Dark by Ellen Hart

Scandalous Behavior by Stuart Woods

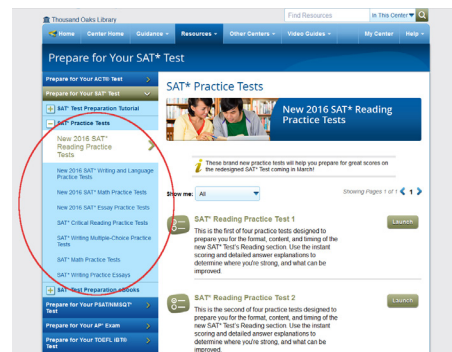
A Winsome Murder by James DeVita



The Maasai culture of Africa has an interesting rite of passage for young people that involves spending the night out in the forest before their initiation ceremony into full adult status. In America, our rite of passage is different. While we don't have to prepare ourselves to avoid being eaten by lions, many students do have to prepare for taking the SAT.

Interactive and easy-to-use, LearningExpress provides comprehensive review and practice for the reading, writing and language, and math sections of the new SAT Test coming March 2016. Students can become comfortable with the test format and question types with LearningExpress test preparation. Students can prepare with:

- Full length practice tests
- Interactive tutorials
- Essay practice
- Detailed answer explanations
- Diagnostic score reports
- Personalized study recommendations
- Downloadable eBooks
- Test-taking strategies and tips



To access LearningExpress, visit the Library's website at <http://www.toaks.org/library>, go to the area for "Services and Research" and click on the icon for "Online Research & Homework Help". Click on the "L" tab to navigate to LearningExpress. You create a free account with your own user name (an e-mail address) and password.

LearningExpress uses the account to keep track of what you have done. You can stop your exercises and practice tests and then start again later where you left off. LearningExpress is up to date, and it's free! 🍎

## New Feature Films

- Amy - Documentary
- Ant-Man - Action
- Captain Jake And The Never Land Pirates: The Great Never Sea Conquest - Disney
- Chi-Raq - Drama
- Everest - Action
- Fantastic 4 - Action
- Goosebumps - Children
- Grandma - Comedy
- Hotel Transylvania 2 - Children
- The Intern - Comedy
- The Martian - Sci-Fi/Fantasy
- Maze Runner: The Scorch Trials - Action
- Minions - Children
- Mission: Impossible: Rogue Nation - Action
- Pan - Children
- The Prophet - Children
- Sesame Street: Play All Day With Elmo - Children
- Sicario - Action
- Trainwreck - Comedy
- The Walk - Action
- A Walk In The Woods - Comedy
- Woodlawn - Drama



# Adults



## Opera Santa Barbara

Tuesdays, March 8, April 12  
& May 10, 2016  
3:00 - 4:00 pm  
Grant R. Brimhall Library

Opera Santa Barbara will offer a series of free concerts at the Grant R. Brimhall Library on March 8, April 12 and May 10. All concerts will begin at 12:00 pm and will last for approximately 45 minutes. The concerts will feature members of the Mosher Studio Artist Program, who will perform a selection of popular opera arias and duets, as well as select repertoire from popular musical theatre pieces. Concerts also will offer a "preview" of upcoming Opera Santa Barbara productions. 🌱

## Swingin' @ the Library with JUMPIN' JOZ BAND

Sunday, March 13, 2016  
3:00 - 4:00 pm  
Grant R. Brimhall Library

The Jumpin' Joz Band is swingin'est band in Southern California. Their style is a wonderful combination of swing, jump, jazz, and early R&B, reminiscent of Count Basie, Louie Prima, Benny Goodman, Sinatra, Ella Fitzgerald & Louie Jordan. They not only have a great, swingin' sound but also an incredible show, and dress in classy vintage style. Bring the family to enjoy this free concert courtesy of the Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library. Contact 805-449-2660 x 7358 for more information. 🌱

## The Art of Greg Spalenka Visions from the Mind's Eye

Saturday, April 9, 2016  
2:00 - 3:00 pm  
Grant R. Brimhall Library

Learn about the professional art career of an award winning artist for publishing and film. Hear what it takes to create illustrations for the most prestigious publishers on the planet, and designing for the film industry. Experience 30 years of Spalenka's art history and the stories around them.



Greg Spalenka has illustrated for *Time*, *Rolling Stone*, *Sports Illustrated*, *Playboy*, *New York Times*, *Scholastic*, and *Random House*. He also has worked as a concept designer on feature CG animated and live action films such as *The Ant Bully*, *The Golden Compass*, *The Voyage of the Dawn Treader* and *Escape From Planet Earth*.

For three decades he has taught, lectured and conducted workshops at colleges, universities, and art institutions around the world sharing his professional experience and encouraging the creation of art businesses. Spalenka is the founder of Artist As Brand®, an educational service that inspires and nurtures art career sustainability.

Mr. Spalenka will sign copies of his beautiful new book, *Visions from the Mind's Eye*, following his talk. 🌱

## Thousand Oaks Library & Ventura County Writers Club present • Writers Conference •

Saturday, April 9, 2016  
8:30 am - 12:00 pm  
Grant R. Brimhall Library

8:30am  
Registration & Light Breakfast

9:00am  
**Wired for Story** presented by **Lisa Cron**, Author and Story Coach. Imagine knowing what we're hardwired to crave in every story we encounter, what hooks readers, and what keeps them turning pages. Lisa is the author of *Wired for Story: The Writer's Guide to Using Brain Science to Hook Readers From the Very First Sentence* and other books.

10:30am  
**Bringing Your Story To Life** presented by **Colleen Cason**, columnist, *Ventura County Star*. The secret to an engaging story is to show – not tell – the reader. Colleen will discuss showing vs. telling, including the importance of revealing detail and how to use quotes/dialogue to enhance the story. Colleen is an award-winning journalist who has worked as a writer, reporter, editor, columnist and multimedia content producer.

Due to space limitations, RSVP required at the Library Reference Desk or by calling 805-381-7358. 🌱



# Calendar of Events

## — March

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

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	
<b>Teen Tech Week</b> March 6 - 12 <b>2016 TEEN TECH WEEK</b> <b>CREATE IT AT YOUR LIBRARY!</b>	<b>Parent and Child Baby Play &amp; Learn Class</b> Ages 0-12 mos. 10:30am at GRB <b>Intro To Mindfulness</b> 12:00pm at GRB <b>Dog Days</b> 3:30pm at GRB <b>Free Movie Night</b> <i>The Hunger Games</i> 7:00pm at NPB	<b>Read Across America Day</b> <b>Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime</b> Ages 1-3 yrs. 10:00am at GRB 11:15am at GRB <b>Saving Your Stuff in the Cloud</b> Learning @ Your Library 10:30am at GRB <b>Read Across America</b> 4:00pm at GRB & NPB	<b>World Wildlife Day</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>Kindermusik with Katie</b> Ages 0-5 yrs. 10:30am at NPB 		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
<b>Teen Tech Week</b> March 6 - 12 <b>2016 TEEN TECH WEEK</b> <b>CREATE IT AT YOUR LIBRARY!</b>		<b>Parent and Child Baby Play &amp; Learn Class</b> Ages 0-12 mos. 10:30am at GRB <b>Opera Santa Barbara</b> 3:00pm at GRB <b>Dog Days</b> 3:30pm at GRB <b>The Women's History Project</b> 6:00pm at GRB <b>Free Movie Night</b> <i>The Hunger Games: Catching Fire</i> - 7:00pm at NPB	<b>Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime</b> Ages 1-3 yrs. 10:00am at GRB 11:15am at GRB	<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>CSUCI Lecture Series</b> 7:00pm at GRB <b>History Book Discussion Group</b> 7:00pm at Goebel Adult Center	<b>Kindermusik with Katie</b> Ages 0-2 yrs. 10:00am at GRB Ages 3-5 yrs. 10:45am at GRB 	<b>Maker Library STEAM Saturday Program Series: Makey Makey</b> For ages 8+ 3:00pm at GRB
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
<b>Swingin' @ the Library with Jumpin' Joz Band</b> 3:00pm at GRB 	<b>Free Movie Matinee</b> <i>Sherlock Holmes</i> 1:00pm at GRB 	<b>Parent and Child Baby Play &amp; Learn Class</b> Ages 0-12 mos. 10:30am at GRB <b>Dog Days</b> 3:30pm at GRB <b>Free Movie Night</b> <i>The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 1</i> 7:00pm at NPB	<b>Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime</b> Ages 1-3 yrs. 10:00am at GRB 11:15am at GRB <b>Nature Neighbor</b> 6:30pm at GRB	<b>St. Patrick's Day 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>America's ABC Libraries XYZ USA 20c</b> Legacies To Mankind 	<b>Maker Library STEAM Saturday Program Series: Makey Makey</b> For ages 8+ 3:00pm at NPB
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
<b>March Equinox</b> 	<b>World Poetry Day</b> <b>Gift Store 20/20 Sale</b> 11:00am - 5:00pm Get 20% off!! 	<b>Dog Days</b> 3:30pm at GRB				
27	28	29	30	31		
<b>Easter</b> 	<b>Spring Break Family Program: Movie: Hotel Transylvania 2</b> 3:00pm at NPB	<b>Spring Break Family Program: Mr. Tom, The Music Man</b> 2:00pm at NPB <b>Dog Days</b> 3:30pm at GRB		<b>César Chávez Day</b> <b>Spring Break Family Program: Shawn McMaster Magician/Comedian</b> 2:00pm at NPB		

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# Calendar of Events

## — April



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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					<b>1</b> <b>Kindermusik with Katie</b> Ages 0-5 yrs. 10:30am at <b>NPB</b>  <b>FTOL 2016 Spring Used Book Sale</b> 6:00pm - 8:30pm at <b>NPB</b>	<b>2</b> <b>FTOL 2016 Spring Used Book Sale</b> 10:00am - 3:00pm at <b>NPB</b> 
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> <i>Conejo Valley Neighborhood For Learning.</i> <b>Parent and Child Baby Play &amp; Learn Class</b> Ages 0-12 mos. 10:30am at <b>GRB</b>  <b>Dog Days</b> 3:30pm at <b>GRB</b>  <b>Free Movie Night</b> <i>Battle: Los Angeles</i> 7:00pm at <b>NPB</b>	<b>6</b> <b>Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime</b> Ages 1-3 yrs. 10:00am at <b>GRB</b> 11:15am at <b>GRB</b>	<b>7</b> <b>Preschool Play &amp; Learn Storytime</b> Ages 3-5 yrs. 10:30am at <b>GRB</b> <b>Baby/Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime</b> Ages 0-3 yrs. 10:30am at <b>NPB</b> <i>Learning @ Your Library</i> <b>Google It</b> 5:30pm at <b>GRB</b> <b>CLU Lecture Series</b> 7:00pm at <b>GRB</b> <b>Friendly Book Discussion Group</b> 6:30pm at <b>GRB</b>	<b>8</b> <b>Kindermusik with Katie</b> Ages 0-2 yrs. 10:00am at <b>GRB</b> Ages 3-5 yrs. 10:45am at <b>GRB</b> 	<b>9</b> <b>Mini Writers Conference</b> 8:30am at <b>GRB</b> <b>The Art of Greg Spalanka</b> 2:00pm at <b>GRB</b> <b>Maker Library STEAM Saturday Program Series: 3D Printing</b> For ages 8+ 3:00pm at <b>NPB</b>
<b>10</b> <b>National Library Week</b> April 10 - 16 <b>Shawn McMaster</b> Magician / Comedian 2:00pm at <b>GRB</b>	<b>11</b> <b>Free Movie Matinee</b> <i>The Age of Adaline</i> 1:00pm at <b>GRB</b> <b>Medicare 101</b> 6:30pm at <b>NPB</b> <b>Maker Library STEAM Program Series: 3D Printing</b> For ages 8+ 6:30pm at <b>GRB</b>	<b>12</b> <i>National Library Workers' Day</i> <i>Conejo Valley Neighborhood For Learning.</i> <b>Parent and Child Baby Play &amp; Learn Class</b> Ages 0-12 mos. 10:30am at <b>GRB</b> <b>Opera Santa Barbara</b> 12:00pm at <b>GRB</b> <b>Dog Days</b> 3:30pm at <b>GRB</b> <b>3D Printing</b> For ages 8+ 3:00pm & 7:00pm at <b>NPB</b>	<b>13</b> <b>Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime</b> Ages 1-3 yrs. 10:00am at <b>GRB</b> 11:15am at <b>GRB</b> <b>Medicare 101</b> 6:30pm at <b>GRB</b>	<b>14</b> <b>Preschool Play &amp; Learn Storytime</b> Ages 3-5 yrs. 10:30am at <b>GRB</b> <b>Baby/Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime</b> Ages 0-3 yrs. 10:30am at <b>NPB</b> <b>3D Printing</b> For ages 8+ 3:30pm at <b>NPB</b> <b>Alzheimer's: 9 Signs To Look For</b> 6:30pm at <b>GRB</b> <b>History Book Discussion Group</b> 7:00pm at <b>Goebel Adult Center</b>	<b>15</b> <b>Maker Library STEAM Program Series: 3D Printing</b> For ages 8+ 3:30pm at <b>GRB</b>	<b>16</b> City of Thousand Oaks <b>Arbor/Earth Day Festival</b> 10:00am - 3:00pm at <b>Thousand Oaks Community Park</b> 2525 N. Moorpark Road <b>3D Printing</b> For ages 8+ 3:00pm at <b>GRB</b>
<b>17</b> 	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> <i>Conejo Valley Neighborhood For Learning.</i> <b>Parent and Child Baby Play &amp; Learn Class</b> Ages 0-12 mos. 10:30am at <b>GRB</b> <i>Learning @ Your Library</i> <b>Cool Presentations</b> 10:30am at <b>GRB</b> <b>Dog Days</b> 3:30pm at <b>GRB</b> <b>Free Movie Night</b> <i>San Andreas</i> 7:00pm at <b>NPB</b>	<b>20</b> <b>Gift Store 20/20 Sale</b> 11:00am - 5:00pm Get 20% off!! <b>Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime</b> Ages 1-3 yrs. 10:00am at <b>GRB</b> 11:15am at <b>GRB</b> <b>Earth Day Film</b> Walt Disney's <i>Monkey Kingdom</i> 4:00pm at <b>GRB</b>	<b>21</b> <b>Preschool Play &amp; Learn Storytime</b> Ages 3-5 yrs. 10:30am at <b>GRB</b> <b>Baby/Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime</b> Ages 0-3 yrs. 10:30am at <b>NPB</b>	<b>22</b> <i>Earth Day</i> <b>Earth Day Film</b> Walt Disney's <i>Monkey Kingdom</i> 2:00pm at <b>NPB</b>	<b>23</b> <i>Passover</i>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> <b>Free Movie Matinee</b> <i>Jersey Boys</i> 1:00pm at <b>GRB</b> 	<b>26</b> <i>Conejo Valley Neighborhood For Learning.</i> <b>Parent and Child Baby Play &amp; Learn Class</b> Ages 0-12 mos. 10:30am at <b>GRB</b> <b>Dog Days</b> 3:30pm at <b>GRB</b> <b>Free Movie Night</b> <i>Independence Day</i> 7:00pm at <b>NPB</b>	<b>27</b> <b>Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime</b> Ages 1-3 yrs. 10:00am at <b>GRB</b> 11:15am at <b>GRB</b>	<b>28</b> <b>Baby/Toddler Play &amp; Learn Storytime</b> Ages 0-3 yrs. 10:30am at <b>NPB</b> <i>Learning @ Your Library</i> <b>E-Books and E-Audiobooks</b> 5:30pm at <b>GRB</b> <b>CSUCI Lecture Series</b> 7:00pm at <b>GRB</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> <b>Maker Library STEAM Saturday Program Series: 3D Printing</b> For ages 8+ 3:00pm at <b>GRB</b>

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# Youth & Family

## Spring Break Family Programs

### Maker Library STEAM Programs

Thousand Oaks Library is proud to announce our involvement with the Makerbox Collective, a grant-funded project consisting of seven libraries sharing resources to provide Maker and STEAM programs.

#### Makey Makey

For ages 8+

**Saturday, March 12, 2016**  
**3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Grant R. Brimhall**  
**Library Community Room**

**Saturday, March 19, 2016**  
**3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Newbury Park**  
**Branch Library Meeting Room**

Join us as we turn everyday objects into a functional keyboard using an Arduino platform!

#### 3D Printing Demos

For all ages Kindergarten through adult

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

Saturday, April 9 • 3:00-4:00pm  
Tuesday, April 12 • 3:30-4:30pm  
Tuesday, April 12 • 7:00-8:00pm  
Thursday, April 14 • 3:30-4:30pm

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

Monday, April 11 • 6:30-7:30pm  
Friday, April 15 • 3:30-4:30pm  
Saturday, April 16 • 3:00-4:00pm  
Saturday, April 30 • 3:00-4:00pm

3D printing is a process for making a three-dimensional solid object of virtually any shape from a digital model. Find out how you can start making your own 3D designs with free tools from the web. 🖨️



**Movie: Hotel  
Transylvania 2**

**Monday, March 28, 2016 • 3:00 - 4:30 pm**  
**Newbury Park Branch Library**

Now that Dracula (Adam Sandler) has opened the Hotel Transylvania's doors to humans, things are changing for the better; however, Drac is secretly worried that his half-human grandson, Dennis, isn't showing his vampire side. So, while Mavis and Johnny are away, Drac enlists his friends to help him put the boy through a "monster-in-training" boot camp. But things really get batty when Drac's cantankerous, old-school dad (Mel Brooks) pays an unexpected visit. (Rated PG, 2015, Columbia Pictures)



**Mr. Tom,  
The Music Man**

**Tuesday, March 29, 2016 • 2:00 - 2:45 pm**  
**Newbury Park Branch Library**

Tom Kuznkowski, aka "Mr. Tom, the Music Man", is well known for his performances in schools and libraries, where he shares his musical talents with children of all ages. Songs that teach and entertain are brought to life with a fascinating assortment of musical instruments, puppets, and surprises, that add magic to his interactive shows. Children are encouraged to join the band, experience the instruments, and be a part of the musical adventure! 🎵

### **Shawn McMaster - Magician/Comedian**

**Thursday, March 31, 2016 • 2:00 - 2:45 pm**  
**Newbury Park Branch Library**



Shawn McMaster's unequalled blend of sophisticated magic and hilarious comedy has made him a highly sought-after act all over the world. Combining comedy and magic into an interactive show with audience participation, Shawn will share with the audience how he got started in magic by checking out books from the library, and he will teach audience members how to do some simple tricks with household items. 🎩



# Children & Families



## 2016 Play & Learn Storytimes

Enjoy our interactive storytime programs that foster critical early literacy skills. Then stay after for playtime to enhance your child's brainpower. Engage, interact, explore and have fun — playing is learning!

### **Conejo Valley Neighborhood for Learning: Parent and Child Baby Play & Learn Classes**

Ages: 0-12 months **\*NEW AGES\***

Lapsit for Pre-walkers

Tuesdays: 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

Winter session ends: March 1, 8, 15

Spring begins: April 5, 12, 19, 26

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

(Before Library hours – Participants should enter the Main Library entrance)

Introduce babies to rhymes, songs and stories during these engaging programs. CVNfL staff will lead a brief lapsit activity time followed by playtime.

### **Toddler Play & Learn Storytime**

Ages: 1-3 years Walkers

Wednesdays: **\*NEW TIMES**

**Additional session added\***

10:00 – 10:50 a.m. **AND**

11:15 a.m. – 12:05 p.m.

Winter session ends: March 2, 9, 16

Spring begins: April 6, 13, 20, 27

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

(10 a.m. session is before Library hours – Enter through the Main Library entrance)

Enjoy 20 minutes of energetic stories, songs, fingerplays and more for toddlers followed by 30 minutes of play activities.

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

Ages: 3-5 years

Thursdays: 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Winter session ends: March 3, 10, 17

Spring begins: April 7, 14, 21 (Sorry, no storytime on 4/28.)

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

(Before Library hours – Participants should enter the Main Library entrance)

An hour of fun for the adventurous preschooler with 30 minutes of stories, songs and fingerplays followed by 30 minutes of free play and exploration of preschool-level concepts of math, science, art and literacy along with a simple craft.

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

Ages: 0-3

Thursdays: 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

Winter session ends: March 3, 10, 17

Spring begins: April 7, 14, 21, 28

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

Brief lapsit storytime with entertaining stories, songs, and fingerplays followed by 30 minutes of interactive playtime. 🐾

## Kindermusik with Katie @ your Library!

Join Katie Shinden, and other Kindermusik teachers, for these delightful monthly musical programs at both libraries!

### **Newbury Park Branch Library**

March 4, 2016 10:30 – 11:00 a.m. ages 0-5

April 1, 2016 10:30 – 11:00 a.m. ages 0-5

### **Grant R. Brimhall Library**

*\*additional program added*

March 11, 2016 10:00 – 10:30 a.m. ages 0-2

March 11, 2016 \*11:00 – 11:30 a.m. ages 3-5

April 8, 2016 10:00 – 10:30 a.m. ages 0-2

April 8, 2016 \*11:00 – 11:30 a.m. ages 3-5



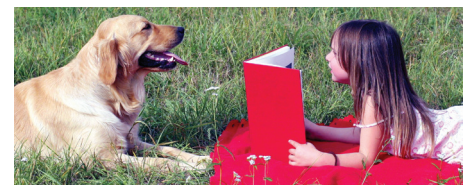
## Read Across America

**Wednesday, March 2, 2016**

**4:00 - 5:30 p.m.**

**Newbury Park Branch Library and Grant R. Brimhall Library**

Join us for this special celebration of reading, featuring a read-aloud extravaganza with special readers from the Community plus lots of fun crafts and activities. 🐾



## Dog Days!

Readers of all levels and abilities are invited to come and read to a certified therapy dog! Each reader will again receive a free book provided by a grant from SAGE Publications\*!

**Tuesdays, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.**

Through May 24, 2016

**Grant R. Brimhall Library Children's Library Program Room**

No advance registration. Participants will sign up for a brief 10-15 minute session with one of the therapy dogs and their owner. (\*One book per person, while supplies last.) 🐾



# Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library

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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.

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. 🍀

## 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, March 3, 2016:**  
*Go Set a Watchman* by Harper Lee

**Thursday, April 7, 2016:**  
*The Wise Heart* by Jack Kornfield 🍀

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**Tuesday, April 12** at 3:30-4:30pm – Grant R. Brimhall Library – **Dog Days**, children in grades 3-5 can practice their reading skills with certified therapy dogs. Sign up at the Help Desk upon arrival for a 10-15 minute session.

**Wednesday, April 13** at 6:30-8:00pm – Grant R. Brimhall Library – **Medicare 101** with Belinda Lang who will give you all the information you need to sign up for medicare and what plan you need.

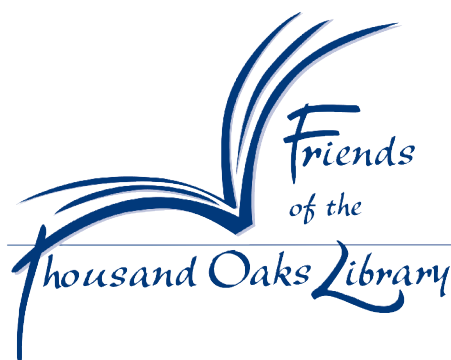
**Thursday, April 14** at 6:30-7:30pm – Grant R. Brimhall Library – **Alzheimer's - 9 Signs to Look For** presented by Ken Madan, President/CEO of Interim Healthcare.



Visit the Library website at [www.toaks.org/library](http://www.toaks.org/library) for details on all these programs or contact the Library at 805-449-2660, option 7. 🍀

## Radio Preservation Task Force

Thousand Oaks Library is proud to announce that Librarian and Archivist Jeanette Berard, will be participating in a national Radio Preservation Task Force conference. The focus of the conference is to help preserve America's radio heritage including radio preservation, access and education. Please visit the Special Collections Department of the Grant R. Brimhall Library for more information on the American Radio Archives collection at the Thousand Oaks Library, established in 1984 by the Thousand Oaks Library Foundation. 🍀



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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, March 10, 2016:**  
*Operation Paperclip* by Annie Jacobsen

**Thursday, April 14, 2016:**  
*A Brief History of Time* by Stephen Hawking 🍀