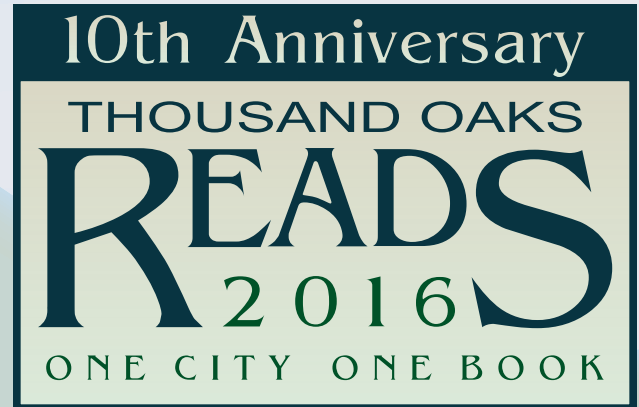
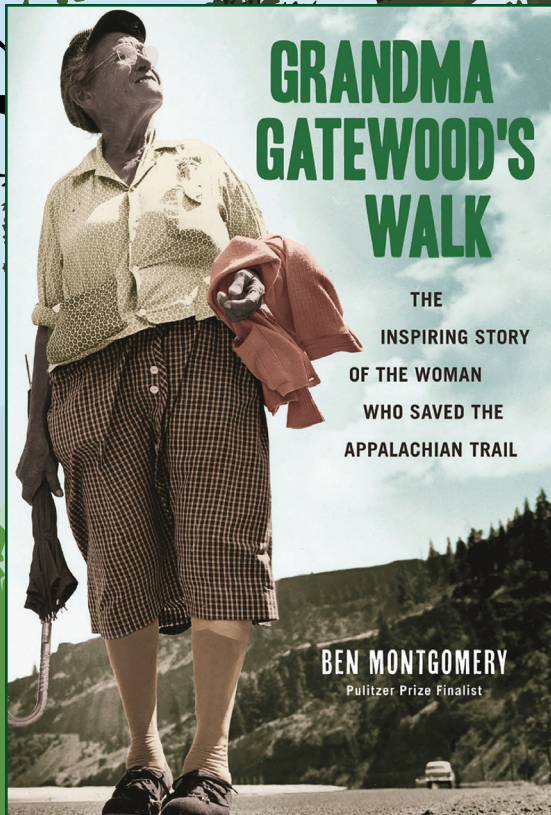


A CITYWIDE BOOK CLUB

October 1 - November 6, 2016



**Grandma
Gatewood's Walk**
by
Ben Montgomery



**Join us for community book
discussions and other free events.**

**For more information,
visit the Thousand Oaks Library
or www.thousandoaksreads.org**


Thousand Oaks Reads is a citywide program sponsored by the
City of Thousand Oaks Library and many generous community partners.

Welcome

For the past decade, our community has joined together to share not just outstanding literature, but great ideas. The incredible roster of authors and topics through the years is proof that our Library serves as more than just a reading room and is a dynamic public space in which the community can come to share a common conversation and, hopefully, come away entertained, informed and enlightened.

Grandma Gatewood's Walk continues this tradition of offering selections which challenge how we think about the world around us. Whether it's the idea of personal reinvention or simply seeing life through a different lens, we hope this title will foster meaningful discussions and an enhanced sense of community.

It is as true today as when it was first said ten years ago, "When we open a book together, we close it in greater harmony."


Heather J. Cousin
Library Services Director
City of Thousand Oaks

About the Book

Grandma Gatewood's Walk: The Inspiring Story of the Woman Who Saved the Appalachian Trail by Pulitzer Prize finalist Ben Montgomery. Emma Gatewood, at the age of 67, tackled the 2,050-mile Appalachian Trail in 1955, and became the first woman to hike the entire trail alone. Her endurance, down-to-earth good humor and single-minded determination made her an unlikely heroine. Today, she is credited with bringing national attention to an obscure, neglected footpath, and saving the now iconic trail.

About the Author

The author of *Grandma Gatewood's Walk*, **Ben Montgomery**, grew up in Oklahoma and at one time hoped to become a farmer. After studying journalism at Arkansas Tech. University, he began his newspaper career writing for the *Courier* in Russellville, Arkansas. He joined the *Tampa Bay Times*, Florida's largest circulating newspaper, in 2006.

Mr. Montgomery began exploring book topics in 2011, and ultimately settled on the life of Emma Gatewood, a great-aunt to his Ohio-native mother. As part of his research for the project, he hiked stretches of the Appalachian Trail in Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and, finally, Maine's Mount Katahdin, where he re-traced Emma Gatewood's 1955 ascent.

Mr. Montgomery was a 2010 finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in Local Reporting for a series which uncovered abuse and cruelty at Florida's oldest reform school.

His writing has been honored by the Columbia University School of Journalism; the University of Maryland; the American Association of Sunday and Feature Editors; the Society for Features Journalism; the Florida Society of News Editors; the New York Newspaper Publishers Association; and more.

He has taught narrative journalism at the Poynter Institute for Media Studies; the Nieman Foundation for Journalism at Harvard; and the National Writers Workshop.

He lives in Tampa with his wife, Jennifer, and their three children.

Meet the Author

Sunday, November 6, 3:00 – 4:30pm • Thousand Oaks Civic Arts Plaza, Fred Kavli Theatre

An Afternoon with Ben Montgomery, author of **Grandma Gatewood's Walk**. Thousand Oaks Reads: One City, One Book 2016 culminates with the appearance of Ben Montgomery. He will discuss his book, 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 1.

Community Book Discussions

Free and open to the public. No registration is required.

Monday, October 3, 7-8pm • Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 160 S. Westlake Blvd., Thousand Oaks, CA 91362

Thursday, October 6, 7-8pm • Friendly Book Discussion, Grant R. Brimhall Library, 1401 E. Janss Rd, Thousand Oaks

Saturday, October 15, 11am-12pm • Grant R. Brimhall Library, 1401 E. Janss Road, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362

Wednesday, October 19, 7-8pm • Grant R. Brimhall Library, 1401 E. Janss Road, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362

Saturday, October 22, 11am-12pm • Newbury Park Branch Library, 2331 Borchard Road, Newbury Park, CA 91320

Special Events

All One City, One Book events are *FREE* and open to the public.

Saturday, October 1, 2:00 – 3:30pm • Grant R. Brimhall Library
Begin One City, One Book 2016 with a tribute to **Elvis Presley**, starring **Raymond Michael**.

Sunday, October 2, 3:00 – 4:00pm • Grant R. Brimhall Library
Dennis McCarthy, Southern California journalist and award-winning *Daily News* columnist presents a refreshing look at the incredible seniors he's written about over the years. His latest book, ***Here's to the Winners***, will be available for purchase and signing.

Thursday, October 6, 6:30 – 8:00 pm • Grant R. Brimhall Library
Interface Family Services of Ventura County Panel Discussion. Interface is the region's most comprehensive nonprofit social services agency. This talk acknowledges October as *Domestic Violence Awareness Month*.

Saturday, October 8, 9:00am – 12:00pm • Paramount Ranch
Paramount Ranch Hike. Meet at the ranch and join a gentle, guided walk through the beautiful paths and grasslands of Hollywood's most famous western film set location. No registration necessary.

Sunday, October 9, 3:00 – 4:00pm • Grant R. Brimhall Library
Coast-to-Coast: Chris Coleman shares stories and the wisdom gained during his 1985 solo bicycle tour from Ventura to New York City in 26 days.

Thursday, October 13, 6:30 – 8:00pm • Grant R. Brimhall Library
AAUW Panel Discussion. This American Association of University Women panel will explore the outdoor experiences of local women. Sponsored by AAUW Thousand Oaks.

Saturday, October 15, 11:00am – 12:00pm • Grant R. Brimhall Library
Teddy Bear Campout. Kids are invited to bring their favorite stuffed toy to the Library for an outdoor storywalk. Then, leave your fluffy pal for an overnight campout in the Library (and check our Facebook page to see what shenanigans go on after dark). Pick up your stuffed friend the next day.

Saturday, October 15, 3:00 – 4:00pm • Grant R. Brimhall Library
Charles Fleming, the *Los Angeles Times* "Urban Hiking" columnist and author of *Secret Stairs: A Walking Guide to the Historic Staircases of Los Angeles*.

Sunday, October 16, 9:00 – 11:00am
Conejo Recreation and Park District Hike. A morning hike along Oak Creek Canyon Loop Trail, located near Los Robles Golf Course. Learn about the local flora and fauna as we go. *Please SIGN UP at the Library Help Desk by October 10.*

Thursday, October 20 7:30 – 9:00pm • California Lutheran University Lundring Events Center
CLU Faculty Panel Discussion. Professors explore unique perspectives and offer thoughtful responses to many of the themes and issues presented in *Grandma Gatewood's Walk*.

Saturday, October 22, Two sessions: 10:00am – 1:00pm and 2:00pm – 5:00pm • Grant R. Brimhall Library
Book Arts Workshop. Join renowned book artist and teacher, Marcia Moore, in creating a handmade artist's book based on themes from *Grandma Gatewood's Walk*. All materials and tools for this free workshop will be supplied. No experience needed. *Pre-registration is required at the Reference Desk, or call 805 449-2660, option 5.*

Sunday, October 23, 3:00 – 4:00pm • Grant R. Brimhall Library
Dan White, author of *Under the Stars: How America Fell in Love with Camping* (2016), presents a "passionate, witty, and deeply engaging" look at the history of camping. Book sale and signing to follow Mr. White's presentation.

Thursday October 27, 6:30 – 8:00pm • Grant R. Brimhall Library
Santa Monica Mountains National Recreational Area. Learn more about the nation's largest urban park with **Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Board Chairperson and avid hiker Don Robinson**.

Saturday, October 29, 2:00 – 3:00pm • Grant R. Brimhall Library
Musician and music historian **Saul Jacobs** presents a lively afternoon of stories and music featuring iconic stars of the 1950s, including Elvis, Chuck Berry, Buddy Holly, Bobby Darin and more.

Saturday, November 5, 2:00pm • Grant R. Brimhall Library
Liz Thomas is an Appalachian Trail speed-hiking champion, outdoors blogger, and among the most experienced female hikers in the United States.

Sunday, November 6, 3:00 – 4:30pm • Civic Arts Plaza Kavli Theatre
An Afternoon with Ben Montgomery, author of *Grandma Gatewood's Walk*. Mr. Montgomery will discuss his book and answer audience questions. **Mr. Montgomery will be introduced by the President of California Lutheran University, Dr. Chris Kimball.** Book sale and signing following his talk.

One City, One Book Movie Series

Grant R. Brimhall Library:

Monday, October 3, 1:00pm *The Long, Long Trailer*
(Desilu Productions, Rated G, 96 min., 1953) Starring Lucille Ball & Desi Arnez.

Monday, October 10, 1:00pm *Wild*
(Fox Searchlight, Rated R, 120 min., 2014) Starring Reese Witherspoon & Laura Dern.

Monday, October 17, 1:00pm *A Walk in the Woods*
(Route One Ent., Rated R, 144 min., 2015) Starring Robert Redford & Nick Nolte.

Monday, October 24, 1:00pm *Into the Wild*
(Paramount Vantage, Rated R, 148 min., 2007) Starring Emile Hirsch & Marcia Gay Harden.

Monday, October 31, 1:00pm *Wild America*
(Warner Bros., Rated PG, 106 min., 1997) Starring Jonathan Taylor Thomas & Devon Sawa.

Newbury Park Branch Library:

Tuesday, October 4, 7:00pm *The River Wild*
(Universal Pictures, Rated PG-13, 108 min., 1994) Starring Meryl Streep & Kevin Bacon.

Tuesday, October 11, 7:00pm *Continental Divide*
(Universal Pictures, Rated PG, 103 min., 1981) Starring John Belushi & Blair Brown.

Wednesday, October 12, 7:00pm *Southbounders*
(Independent Film by Ben Wagner, Unrated, 86 min., 2005) Starring Amy Cale Peterson.

Tuesday, October 18, 7:00pm *Everest*
(Universal Pictures, Rated PG-13, 121 min., 2015) Starring Jason Clarke & Josh Brolin.

Tuesday, October 25, 7:00pm *The Blair Witch Project*
(Artisan Entertainment, Rated R, 81 min., 1999) Starring Heather Donahue & Michael C. Williams.

The National Parks: America's Best Idea - A Ken Burns Film

Newbury Park Branch Library:

5 consecutive Wednesday afternoons, October 5, 12, 19, 26 & November 2 at 1:00pm.

2009 documentary film series on the history of the national parks, directed by Ken Burns and written and co-produced by Dayton Duncan. Filmed over the course of more than six years at some of nature's most spectacular locales – from Acadia to Yosemite, Yellowstone to the Grand Canyon, the Everglades of Florida to the Gates of the Arctic in Alaska.

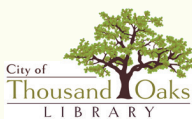
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						1 A Tribute to Elvis by Raymond Michael 2pm at GRB
2 Dennis McCarthy Here's To the Winners 3pm at GRB	3 Movie Matinee The Long Long Trailer 1pm at GRB Book Discussion 7pm at Barnes & Noble	4 Movie Night The River Wild 7pm at NPB	5 Ken Burns Film (Part 1 of 5) 1pm at NPB	6 Domestic Violence Panel 6:30pm at GRB Friendly Book Discussion 7pm at GRB	7	8 Paramount Ranch Hike 9am at Paramount Ranch
9 Coast-to-Coast with Chris Coleman 3pm at GRB	10 Movie Matinee Wild 1pm at GRB	11 Movie Night Continental Divide 7pm at NPB	12 Ken Burns Film (Part 2 of 5) 1pm at NPB Movie Night Southbounders 7pm at NPB	13 AAUW Panel Discussion 6:30pm at GRB	14	15 Book Discussion 11am at GRB Teddy Bear Campout 11am at GRB Charles Fleming 3pm at GRB
16 CRPD Hike 9am on a local hiking trail	17 Movie Matinee A Walk In The Woods 1pm at GRB	18 Movie Night Everest 7pm at NPB	19 Ken Burns Film (Part 3 of 5) 1pm at NPB Book Discussion 7pm at GRB	20 CLU Faculty Panel Discussion 7:30pm at CLU	21	22 Book Discussion 11am at NPB Book Arts Workshop 10am & 2pm at GRB
23 Dan White Under the Stars 3pm at GRB	24 Movie Matinee Into The Wild 1pm at GRB	25 Movie Night The Blair Witch Project 7pm at NPB	26 Ken Burns Film (Part 4 of 5) 1pm at NPB	27 Don Robinson Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy 6:30pm at GRB	28	29 Saul Jacobs '50s Music 2pm at GRB
30	31 Movie Matinee Wild America 1pm at GRB	November		2 Ken Burns Film (Part 5 of 5) 1pm at NPB	3	4
6 Afternoon with Ben Montgomery 3pm at Civic Arts Plaza. Free tickets are required.	7	8	9	10	11	12
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