



# Ex Libris



Newsletter of the Ventura Friends of the Library P.O. Box 403, Ventura CA 93002  
Summer 2016

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Kathy Thomson

While convalescing recently I had to spend more hours lying down than I could endure, I have way to many tasks and chores to attend to on a daily basis! So in order to pass the time in a way that was productive I decided to go the library, the e-library that is, on my smartphone. With my phone I could read books, newspapers and magazines, watch videos, download music and much more. Oh, the places I could go were immeasurable, enlightening and instructive and thanks to our public library, free.

Before this period of confinement I had not taken time to explore the ever growing offerings in the e-library but I had heard about them many times from our librarians. When I took the time to finally explore I found not only my regular favorites, magazines and free music downloads, but also self paced instructional videos in art, music, voice and foreign languages, career services and job search, university lectures and author interviews, numerous newspapers, millions of viewable items from universities and public libraries throughout the country, encyclopedias and more.

One very special site was Tumblebooks which is an audio and visual story time for children on your electronic device. Before you shout "horrors!" just notice as you are out and about the many young citizens incessantly playing games on their parents devices while waiting at doctors' offices, in the car or in the grocery cart. For those very few times when a parent needs to occupy their child with their electronic device, Tumblebooks provides a perfect opportunity to build literacy with an always ready story time.\*

Recently one of our city councilmembers was criticized in the opinion pages because of his comment about not visiting the library but rather looking up information on an ipad or computer. He also pointed out that many of our young people use their smartphones to look up information. I have to agree the smartphone is a useful tool but without verifiable content its value is limiting and insufficient. A library provides access to limitless amounts of abundant, certifiable resources and like a good friend, it is always available.

I'm looking forward to my next convalescing period when I can guiltlessly search the vastness of our e-library. Please remember your support is vital to keeping our libraries growing and the doors open.

In recognition of the 100th anniversary of the Ventura County Library system the Friends presented a gift of \$60,000 for materials and programs. This would not be possible without your support. Let's make it a goal to add 100 new members this year. A membership to the Ventura Friends of the Library is a perfect gift.

\*Not a substitute for a loving, caring parent, guardian or older sibling!



## Book Sale

*Hidden Treasures for all Ages*

Saturday, June 18  
9:00 am to 3:00 pm

at the Vons at Victoria and Telegraph  
6040 Telegraph Road

All genres, including special interest, vintage,  
Fiction  
Non-fiction  
Children's books,  
Dvds, books on cd and tape,  
Puzzles, and more.



Find your treasure!



# Summer Films

Family Friendly Films @ the Ventura Libraries



Rudy (1993) **PG**

6/1 SAT 3pm - 6/3 FOS 2:00pm - 6/7 - AVE 3:30pm

Soul Surfer (2011)

**PG**

6/15 SAT 3pm - 6/17 FOS 2:00pm - 6/21 AVE 3:30pm



Cars (2006) **G**

6/29 SAT 3pm - 7/1 FOS 2:00pm - 7/5 AVE 3:30pm

The Mighty Ducks (1992)

**PG**

7/13 SAT 3pm - 7/15 FOS 2:00pm - 7/19 AVE 3:30pm



Space Jam (1996) **PG**

7/27 SAT 3pm - 7/29 FOS 2:00pm

The Karate Kid (1984) **PG**



8/9 AVE 3:30pm - 8/10 SAT 3pm - 8/12 FOS 2:00pm

Despicable Me 1, 2 & Minions Marathon (2010) **PG**

6/25 FOS 10am

Star Wars: The Force Awakens (2015)

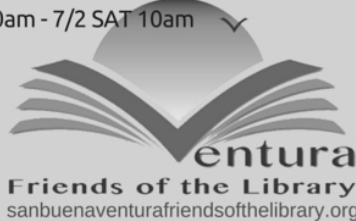
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6/21 SAT 6pm

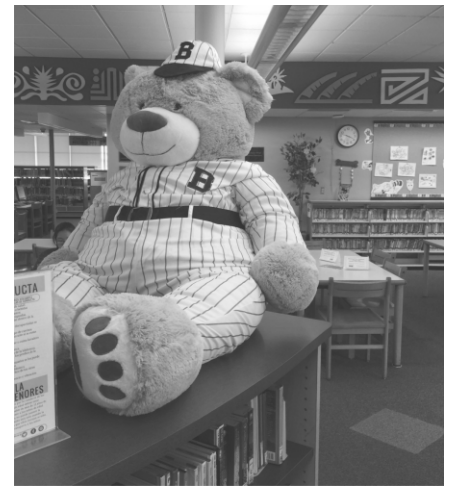
Frozen Sing-A-Long (2010) **PG**

06/18 FOS 10am - 6/25 AVE 10am - 7/2 SAT 10am

Sponsored by:  
*Saticoy  
Lions*



All events are completely free and open to the public.



**Friendly the Bear** is wearing his "B" for Bear and "B" for Books baseball outfit. He is ready to "Read for the Win!" in the Summer Reading Program.

The Summer Reading Program is not just for bears and kids. The Ventura Friends of the Library, Downtown Ventura Lions, and the Saticoy Lions are sponsoring special family film nights at SAT (Saticoy), FOS (E.P. Foster) and AVE (Avenue) libraries.

Adults can join in the fun, log in their summer reading and win prizes. Think you can beat out the competition for books read? Sign up to see!

**Kids, teens and adults can join the Summer Reading Program at <http://ventura.readingbydesign.org/>**

SANTA BARBARA  
MUSEUM OF  
**ART**

**Community Speakers program**  
**Presented by**  
**Docent Council of the Santa Barbara Museum of Art.**

Bring a brown bag lunch and enjoy some art on your lunch break!  
12:00 to 1:00 pm  
E.P. Foster Library Topping Room

Friday, June 17

**Ancient Mystery Cults of Greece and Rome**

Friday, July 15

**Puja and Piety: Hindu, Jain, and Buddhist Art**

Friday, August 19

**Art Floats My Boat: A History of Boats Depicted in Art**



CALIFORNIA  
NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY

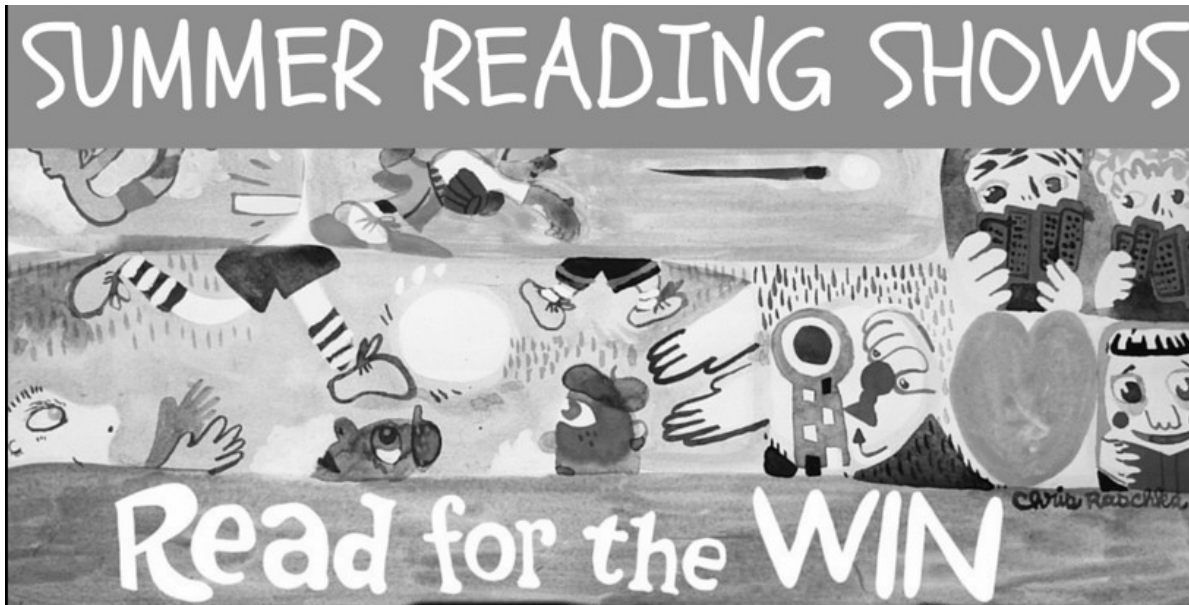
## Drought Effects

Tuesday, June 21  
7:00 to 8:00 pm  
E.P. Foster Library Topping Room

Peter Jump will speak on the effect of the drought on the plants, animals and environment on the Carrizo Plains and Cuyama Valley.

Presented by the California Native Plant Society, Channel Islands Chapter.

## 2016 SUMMER READING PROGRAM: JUNE 1 - AUGUST 13: READ FOR THE WIN



### Summer Reading Events at E.P. Foster

- June 15 at 11:00 am – **David Cousin: Juggler Extraordinaire!**
- June 15 at 3:00 pm – **Franklin Haynes Marionettes**
- June 22 at 3:00 pm – **Kealoha Dancers: Movement Masters!**
- June 29 at 3:00 pm – **Pulse Drumming: Beat Virtuosi!**
- July 6 at 3:00 pm – **Art of Boomerang: Art Champions!**
- July 13 at 3:00 pm – **Shawn McMaster: Magical Genius!**
- July 20 at 3:00 pm – **The Reptile Family: Reptile Experts!**
- July 27 at 3:00 pm – **Ojai Raptors: Birds of Prey Aces!**
- August 3 at 3:00 pm – **Jessica Vang: Early Literacy Maestro!**
- August 17 at 3:00 pm – **Wrap-Up Party with Kona Ice!**

### Summer Reading Events at Avenue Library

- June 13 at 3:30 pm – **\*Art of Boomerang\***
- June 20 at 3:30 pm – **\*Polynesian Dancers\***
- June 27 at 3:30 pm – **Balloon Mania**
- July 11 at 3:30 pm -- **\*Magician Shawn McMaster\***
- July 18 at 3:30 pm – **\*Reptile Family\***
- July 25 at 3:30 pm – **Pulse Drumming**
- August 1 at 3:30 pm - **End of Summer Reading Party**

**\*These shows will be held at Robert Addison Boys & Girls Club 1440 N Olive St, Ventura, CA 93001\***

### Summer Reading Events at Saticoy Library

- June 16 at 3:30 pm -- **Art of Boomerang at E.J. Harrison Center (Saticoy Boys & Girls Club) 11321 Violeta St.**
- June 23 at 3:30 pm -- **Polynesian Dancers**
- June 30 at 3:30 pm -- **Balloon Mania**
- July 7 at 3:30 pm -- **Humane Society**
- July 14 at 3:30 pm – **Magician Shawn McMaster**
- July 21 at 3:30 pm – **Reptile Family**
- July 28 at 3:30 pm – **Pulse Drumming**
- August 4 at 3:30 pm – **End of Summer Reading Party**

## MORE TO DO! ALL SUMMER LONG AT YOUR LIBRARY

### RACE FOR THE WIN!

design & race your own elastic energy  
powered race car!

@ THE VENTURA LIBRARIES

JOIN US ON THE  
19th @ SATICOY  
20th @ AVENUE  
21st @ E.P. Foster

OF

# JULY

## FREE ENTRY

3PM TO 5PM

Find out more:  
vencolibrary.org



# MAKESTUFF

## IN VENTURA

Join our Makerspace Librarian at Saticoy, E.P. Foster,  
and Avenue Libraries for these special makerspace events!  
All from 3:30 - 5:00 PM

**Build a Suspension Bridge: Using gum drops & toothpicks.**



Saticoy	E.P. Foster	Avenue
Monday	Tuesday	Thursday
6/6 & 8/1	6/14 & 7/26	6/16 & 7/28

**Balance a Dinosaur: Using pipe cleaners, cardboard, & tape.**



Saticoy	E.P. Foster	Avenue
Monday	Tuesday	Thursday
6/20 & 8/15	6/28 & 8/9	6/30 & 8/11

**Make a Signal Horn: Using balloons, rubber bands, & tubes.**



Saticoy	E.P. Foster	Avenue
Monday	Tuesday	Thursday
7/18	7/12 & 8/23	7/14 & 8/25

## SUMMER CRAFTERNOONS

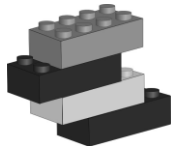
*Saticoy*  
*Tuesdays*  
*2:00 pm*  
*Starting June 7*

*Avenue*  
*Wednesdays*  
*2:00 pm*  
*Starting June 1*

*E.P. Foster*  
*Thursdays*  
*3:30 pm*  
*Starting June 16*

## LEGO PLAY

Build, Learn and Play!  
Bring your imagination and  
experiment with creative designs.  
Children of all ages welcome!



**Mondays**

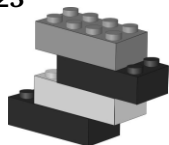
**Saticoy Library @ 2:00 pm**  
June 13, June 27  
July 11, July 25  
August 8, August 22

**Tuesdays**

**E.P. Foster Library @ 3:00 pm**  
June 7, June 21  
July 5, July 19  
August 2, August 16, August 30

**Thursdays**

**Avenue Library @ 2:00 pm**  
June 2, June 9, June 23  
July 7, July 21  
August 4, August 18



**Saturdays**

**E.P. Foster Library @ 10:00 am**  
June 25, July 23, August 20



**Youth Chess Club**  
**Every Monday 3:00 - 5:00 pm**  
**For School-age Kids**  
**and Teens**

**E.P. Foster**

# Gaming Days

Alternating Wednesdays,  
3:00 - 5:30 pm  
June 8 & 22, July 6 & 20, August 3

**Saticoy Library**  
**1292 Los Angeles Ave.**  
**(805) 671-5148**

Alternating Fridays, 2:30 - 4:00 pm  
June 10 & 24, July 8 & 22, August 5  
& 19

**E.P. Foster Library**  
**651 E. Main Street**  
**(805) 648-2716**

Alternating Tuesdays, 3:30 - 5:30 pm  
June 14 & 28, July 12 & 26 August 2

**Avenue Library**  
**606 N. Ventura Ave.**  
**(805) 643-6393**

**Share your enthusiasm for reading  
with your Friends!**

### **BOOK CLUB # 1**

The first book club created by members of SBFOL is still looking for new members. Monthly meetings are held in members' homes. If you are an avid reader who enjoys sharing your reading experiences, please call Clydie Wright (805) 643-8204.

### **FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK DISCUSSION**

meets in the Topping Room on the first Saturday of the month from 10 am to noon. This group reads a variety of fiction and non-fiction and is always open to new members!

For more info, call Marcia 407-3510 or e-mail [marciarenee@gmail.com](mailto:marciarenee@gmail.com).



### **Avenue Libraries sponsor Book Club for Adults with Special Needs**

For the last few months, Derek Stalcup has worked with the Arc of Ventura County to sponsor a book club for adults with special needs. The Arc of Ventura County provides opportunities for adults with special needs. Pooling the shared collection of Ventura County Libraries, staff at Avenue Library has been working with Arc to provide materials for their book club. A large number of the participants at Arc also volunteer at libraries on a regular basis. Avenue Library continued the partnership with Arc of Ventura County offering a book club for adults with special needs. So far, the Arc Book Club has read *The Island of the Blue Dolphins*, *Hatchet*, and *The Secret Garden*. The value of Ventura Libraries being part of the Ventura County Library System is the ability to pool collections and offer such a deep collection to support community activities.

*Thank you*

*Sumiye Fukasawa*

*Trevor Swenson*

*Lucinda Wehrkamp*

*for your generous donations*

*and, thank you, Star Soto*

*for your donation*

*meeting the*

*Carl Morehouse Challenge*

### **Got Books?**

The Friends of the Library continue to be ambassadors for the joy of reading and the value of libraries all over town! Gary Stephens, our treasurer, has organized a table on Mondays at the government center, where jurors and employees can purchase a book and learn about libraries and the Friends.

If you would like to join our crew at our bookstore or any of our sales, please email [info@sbfol.org](mailto:info@sbfol.org).

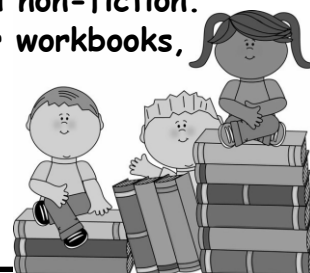
## **CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULT BOOK SALE**

**Saturday, June 25, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**E.P. Foster Library - Rear Children's Library Entrance**

**Early readers, classics, storybooks and non-fiction.  
Bi-lingual children's books, skill builder workbooks,  
and young adult books.**

**STOCK UP FOR SUMMER READING!**



### **OFFICERS**

**PRESIDENT** Kathy Thomson

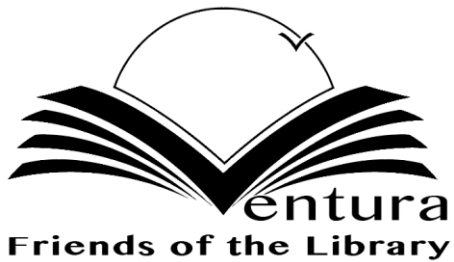
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Join **Ventura Friends of the Library** and help make our libraries even **BETTER!**

**We support the public libraries of the City of Ventura in delivering library services, including:**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Purchase of library materials and equipment, e.g. books, CDs, DVDs, books on tape</li> <li>• Summer programs for children and youth</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase public awareness of legislation and other events that may affect the delivery of library services</li> <li>• Special programs, receptions, speakers, &amp; field trips</li> </ul> |
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*Your membership at any of the levels below helps make all this possible.*

(Make checks payable to: Ventura FOL and mail to P.O. Box 403, Ventura CA 93002)

Lifetime \$1000	Business \$250	Sponsor \$100	Family \$30	Individual \$20	Student \$10
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We need YOUR help! Ventura FOL is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization run entirely by VOLUNTEERS.

Please consider volunteering in any of the following areas. Just check the boxes. We'll contact you.

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Book Sales	<input type="checkbox"/>	Book Sorting	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fundraising	<input type="checkbox"/>	Newsletter	<input type="checkbox"/>	Programs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other