

California Native Plant Society Presents

**INVITING CALIFORNIA TO DINNER**

TUESDAY, FEB. 20TH @7-9PM

E.P. Foster Library, Topping Room

This one of a kind presentation, led by native food enthusiast Antonio Sanchez, discusses the ancient and emerging field of California native foods and their cultivation.

What if, among the more than 6,000 plants native to California, hundreds were not only edible, easy to use and delicious, but extremely low-water as well?

**Tuesday, February 20, 7 to 9 pm**  
**E.P. Foster Topping Room**

**Venture (a) Out in the County**  
 ... a Sierra Club Educational Series



Tuesday, March 13  
 Tuesday, May 8  
 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm

Learn about great places to hike, camp, and scenic spots around Ventura County.  
 E.P. Foster Library Topping Room!

**Poetry Open Mic Night**

Thursdays 7:30 - 9 pm  
 Hosted by Phil Taggart.  
 Enjoy a featured poet,  
 then share your own work with the group.  
 All are welcome to just sit and listen as well



**Chess around the Corner**



E.P. Foster Library  
 Saturdays @ 11 am - 4 pm  
 Calling all chess players!

Keep your skills sharp with this one-hour, drop-in session of free play. Boards will be set up and ready to go. Bring your best moves!



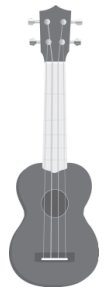
**Opera Santa Barbara**  
**Noontime Concert**  
 returns to E.P. Foster  
 Topping Room

Friday, March 16, 2018  
 12:00 to 1:00 pm

Spend Your Lunch Hour listening to members of the Mosher Studio Artist Program perform a selection of popular opera arias and duets as well as some musical theatre pieces.

**Ukulele Jam**

Join folks of all ages and experience levels to jam out on your ukulele!  
 Beginners welcome,  
 every 2nd and 4th Monday  
 in the Topping Room at E.P. Foster Library.



**Nancy Schram**

pictured here at the Hill Road Library opening, succeeded Jackie Griffin as **Director of the Ventura County Library System** on December 17.. Schram joined the Ventura County Library System as the Deputy Library Director in 2016.

Prior to that, she served as the Deputy Library Director for the City of Thousand Oaks for nine years after having worked for the County of Los Angeles Public Library for 10 years. She has a master's degree in Library and Information Science from the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee and is a member of two professional library associations.

Since joining the County, Schram has implemented innovative technology at Hill Road Library. She also initiated a Library Staff Training Academy and a program to work with homeless patrons at the E.P. Foster Library.

"I'm excited to take a leadership role in County government and to serve our residents with superior library services," said Schram. "I envision a thriving, sustainable, relevant and collaborative library system that will meet the needs of all our communities far into the future."