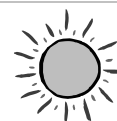


# Friends of Granada Hills Library Newsletter

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## Next Meetings:

**Saturday, June 4:**  
Installation of Officers  
Luncheon, 11:30 a.m.  
at Golden Hunan  
10334 Reseda Blvd.  
Northridge, CA 91324

**\$20 includes tax & tip.**  
**Deadline for payment**  
**is May 31:** Mail your  
check, payable to  
Friends of Granada  
Hills Library, to: Friends  
of Granada Hills  
Library, 10640 Petit  
Ave., Granada Hills,  
CA 91344, with a note  
that it is for the  
luncheon.

**General Meeting:**  
**Saturday, Sept. 10,**  
**10:30 a.m. at the**  
**Library**

**Next Book Sales:**  
**Friday, June 17,**  
**2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
**& Saturday, June 18**  
**10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

**Friday, Aug. 19,**  
**2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
**& Saturday, Aug. 20**  
**10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

## President's Message by Mary S.

There's good news ahead, Folks! Sandy J. and I attended the Annual Friends Meeting & Workshop at Central Library on Saturday, April 30. We learned about a Four-Year Plan: Starting Monday, July 18, all Branch Libraries WILL BE OPEN MONDAYS! A pool of part-time staff WILL BE HIRED to make this work!

In the second year (2012-13), Monday - Thursday EVENINGS WILL BE INCLUDED! And in the third year (2013-14), hopefully, Central and Regional Libraries (including our Mid-Valley) WILL BE OPEN SEVEN (7) DAYS A WEEK!! By the fourth year, (2014-15), our LA Public Library organization should be flying high as a "self-sufficient" organization.

Four Service Goals have been developed for investing in new readers and helping students succeed. They sound very exciting, and are as follows:

1) We read together;  
Grandparents and Books;  
Summer Reading Clubs; Adult  
Literacy; Early Learning Spaces.

2) After School Homework  
Clubs; Back to School Night;  
Teen Councils; Special Website  
for Teachers; Information  
Literacy Program.

3) Build to Virtual Library --  
Technology Training Program  
for Staff; Enhanced Internet  
Access (new website at the  
LAPL Virtual Branch and new  
public access computers);  
"e-collections".

4) Explore partnerships with  
County Libraries; Improve  
Fundraising Collaboration  
with the Library Foundation;

Enhance relationships  
between "Friends" and LAPL.

Sandy and I were also  
privileged to hear a  
wonderful presentation on  
non-profit financial status by  
Mr. Joe DeTrane of Grant  
Thorton, LLP. He distributed  
a volume of information that  
will keep our Treasurer and  
Board members performing  
accurately.

Our Friends Members keep  
learning much and working  
hard! We wish to thank  
everyone for their support of  
MEASURE L!! The above  
goals reflect the results for  
the Los Angeles Public  
Library and 72 branches.  
THANKS TO ALL LIBRARY  
SUPPORTERS!

Mary S., President

This newsletter was produced and edited by Ellen W.

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10641 PETIT AVENUE  
GRANADA HILLS, CA 91344



## It's Happening at the Library!

by Pam R., Senior Librarian

This summer, please check out the library. Currently we are planning the summer reading club for kids and teens, which will start June 11, 2011 and end August 13, 2011. We are in the process of planning lots of cool programs for the summer. Visit us and see what's happening.

We want to thank the Friends of the Granada Hills Library for buying projection and audio visual equipment for the library. We are currently in the process of developing a movie and books program which we intend to feature this summer. Our goal is to promote reading to non-readers and explore the differences in the mediums...which is better: the book or the movie?

We want to thank the Friends of the Granada Hills Library for purchasing an internal book drop which will help improve customer service. Once this item is installed, patrons can return library materials to the internal book drop and eliminate standing in line for returns. We strive to give our patrons a great service!

The library is expecting to expand its service hours on Monday July 18, 2011 which was made possible by the passage of Measure L. On May 12, 2011, The Library Board of Commissioners is expected to vote and approve the proposal for six days of service. So...stay tuned for an official announcement for new service hours.



**PLEASE NOTE: Branch library hours will change on 7/18/11:  
Starting on July 18, the library will once again be open on Mondays!**



**(818) 368-5687**

**Toll Free Renewal: (888) 557-5275**

**[www.lapl.org](http://www.lapl.org)**

### **Library Hours**

Closed on Mondays until July 18\*

Tues. & Thurs.: 12:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Wed., Fri. & Sat: 10:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Closed Sundays & major holidays

\*Effective July 18, Monday service hours will be restored.

### **LAPL Policies**

Loan Periods: 3 weeks, may be renewed 2 times.

Fines charged for material returned after the due date.

Placing a "hold" is free, BUT a \$1.00 fee per item will be charged if not picked up.

### **Nomad**

**By Ayann Hirsi Ali  
From Islam to America**

**Review by Lottie V.**

Ali's book is complex when read from an American perspective. It is about Ali's journey from her birthplace in Somalia ... her childhood in Africa and Saudi Arabia, ...to another world, i.e., Holland and America. One concludes that she was different... she would not be indoctrinated by Islam - even though she was strictly raised as a Muslim.

Strictly raised, is an understatement. She struggled with superstitions, and misconceptions, and relentless criticism from her parents and family. Ali ran away. In 1992, she went to the Netherlands as a refugee - escaping a forced marriage. She learned Dutch. She earned a college degree in political science and worked for the Labor Party in Holland.

After 9/11, she denounced Islam and became a member of the Dutch Parliament (to fight for the rights of Muslim women in Europe). Later, she came to America to work for the Enterprise Institute in Washington, D.C. She established the Hirsi Ali Foundation ([www.theahafoundation.org](http://www.theahafoundation.org)). Her mission was to combat several types of crimes against women; female genital mutilation, forced marriage, and honor violence, through education and outreach.

There is so much more to her story that you must read it for yourself.

Her first book, Infidel, was on the New York Best Seller list for thirty-one weeks.

"If you have a garden and a library, you have everything you need."  
-- *Marcus Tullius Cicero*

"Think of the library as a convenience store for knowledge."

"An intelligent person is not necessarily one who knows the answers but rather knows where to find them."

"When you absolutely positively have to know, ask a librarian."  
-- *John Ellison*

"We are the children of a technological age. We have found streamlined ways of doing much of our routine work. Printing is no longer the only way of reproducing books. Reading them, however, has not changed."  
-- *Lawrence Clark Powell*

"The Library is always open online. And you can be as loud as you want!"

Browse the library's collection, download music, renew materials, reserve a computer, and more online!!



## Membership News by Donna A., Chair

We have 69 members as of May. Dues are due for 2011-2012 by July 1<sup>st</sup>. You can mail your check to the Library OR drop it off at the Library, OR pay at the June meeting.

**Please use the membership form on the next page to join or to renew your membership in the Friends of the Granada Hills Library. Thank you!**

**Future Programs:** Donna A. will be planning programs and trips. If you have any ideas or suggestions, call Donna.

### Recent Donations by the Friends:

- \$256 to purchase DVDs.
- Approximately \$3,376 to purchase an indoor book return - a book storage receptacle on a movable cart - which should shorten the lines by allowing those library patrons who are only returning books to place their books in the indoor book drop instead of getting in line just to return books.
- Approximately \$4,500 for purchase and installation of a projector, a retractable wide screen, speakers, a DVD player and a laptop computer for use with the recently purchased Public Performance Site License. The one-year license to show movies from major studios will be used primarily to encourage children to read by showing movies based on children's books. The computerized audiovisual equipment has been installed in the Library's Community Room; it can also be used for computer training and presentations.
- \$200 for a program on March 26: Tony Daniels' Magic Show.

### THE LIBRARY'S NONFICTION BOOK CLUB HONORED PROFESSOR SEFTON

On March 24, 2011, the nonfiction book club honored Professor Sefton of CSUN for donating his time and expertise in history to the Granada Hills Library Discussion Group. This group meets at 6:15 p.m. on the last Thursday of every other month. The next and last meeting of the season will be on Thursday, May 26, 2011.

A reception was held in his honor as well as honoring former Granada Hills librarian Eduardo for starting the first book club at the library. They were each presented with a plaque as a symbol of our appreciation. The Granada Hills Book Discussion Group is now conducted by Pam, Head Librarian, on the third Wednesday of every month at 1:30 p.m.

We would be pleased to have you join us at either or both discussion groups. Contact the library for further details.

Jackie L.  
Natalie G.  
Lillian M.

### Get Well Wishes

A speedy recovery to Lois L. Love, encouragement, and hugs to Betty M. Continuing get well wishes to Lifetime Member Evelyn S.



# Let's Be Friends!

Please enroll me as a Friend of the Granada Hills Library

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

New Member \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

## ANNUAL DUES

All donations are tax deductible

Individual \$ 10 ☐

Family \$ 15 ☐

Patron \$ 50 ☐

Business Friend/Organization\* \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*If your company has a Matching Funds or Gifts Program, please enclose appropriate forms.

Tribute Gift In Honor of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Mail or bring form with your check made payable to:

Friends of the Granada Hills Library

10640 Petit Avenue

Granada Hills, CA 91344

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS AT THE GRANADA HILLS LIBRARY:

### May 26, 2011 – Thursday – 6:15 p.m.

CSUN's Professor Sefton leads a discussion on the political values of Stephen Douglas, John Fremont, Daniel Webster, Henry Clay and John C. Calhoun.

### May 31, 2011 – Tuesday – 6:30 p.m.

"We Read Together" : Children's Librarian Heather will lead a pajama storytime for preschoolers.

### June 8, 2011 – Wednesday – 11a.m. - 1p.m.

Social Services for You and Your Family - An Information Resources Workshop:

Learn about powers of attorney, wills, trusts, legal assistance, nutrition, transportation services, child care, in-home assistance and more.

### June 9, 2011 – Tuesday – 6:30 p.m.

"We Read Together" : Children's Librarian Heather will lead a pajama storytime for preschoolers.

### June 17, 2011 – Friday – 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Used book sale (in the Library's Community Room)

### June 18, 2011 – Saturday – 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Used book sale (in the Library's Community Room)

### June 22, 2011 – Wednesday – 1:30 p.m.

Book discussion: Librarian-led discussion of Chris Cleave's "Little Bee".

### June 25, 2011 – Saturday – 4 p.m.

Summer Reading Club Kick Off: Dancer Mary Ann Cappa performs Middle Eastern Dance.

### July 7, 2011 – Tuesday – 6:30 p.m.

"We Read Together": Children's Librarian Heather will lead a pajama storytime for preschoolers.

### July 20, 2011 – Wednesday – 1:30 p.m.

Book discussion: Librarian-led discussion of Anita Shreve's "Where or When".

### August 19, 2011 – Friday – 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Used book sale (in the Library's Community Room)

### August 20, 2011 – Saturday – 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Used book sale (in the Library's Community Room)

Please call or visit the library for other summer programs.

*Special Thanks to "Tribute Gift Donors"*  
*Ellen R. and Betty S.*

## New Officers Elected in May

A new slate of officers for the Friends of the Granada Hills Library was elected to a two-year term at the Annual Meeting held on May 7, 2011 at the Granada Hills Library. The following officers were elected:

President:	Mary S.
First Vice President:	Open
Second Vice President - for Booksales:	Greer R.
Third Vice President - for Membership:	Maralyn P.
Treasurer:	Sharon G.
Secretary:	Willa H.

THANKS TO THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR THEIR EFFORTS:  
Lois L., Chairman, and Members Lillian M. and Joan V.

Members are invited to a delicious luncheon at Golden Hunan Chinese Restaurant, 10334 Reseda Blvd., Northridge at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 4. \$20 reservations are needed by 5/31/11. Checks payable to Friends of Granada Hills Library; send payment to: Friends of Granada Hills Library, Granada Hills Branch Library, 10640 Petit Ave., Granada Hills, CA 91344 with a note that it is for the luncheon.

## CELEBRATE THE LIBRARY!! The Library Foundation of Los Angeles will honor author Walter Mosley at the Sixteenth Annual Los Angeles Public Library Awards Dinner on June 12, 2011.

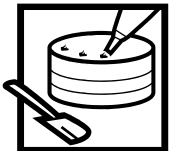
The Library Foundation of Los Angeles will honor author Walter Mosley at the Sixteenth Annual Los Angeles Public Library Awards Dinner on June 12, 2011. Walter Mosley is the author of more than 34 critically acclaimed books, including the best selling mystery series featuring Easy Rawlins. His work has been translated into 21 languages and includes literary fiction, science fiction, political monographs, and a young adult novel. He is the winner of numerous awards, including an O.Henry Award, a Grammy and PEN America's Lifetime Achievement Award.

He reflects, "When I was growing up and long before I knew I was a writer, my home away from home was the Robertson Branch Library. It was and is an institution that gave me a sense of ownership and belonging. Walk into that library today and you will see every seat filled with children engrossed in storybooks, teenagers studying for exams and people learning to read for the first time. You will see every computer station occupied with students completing their homework and adults applying for jobs. There -- and at 72 additional branches citywide -- you will see democracy at work."

## Scripture Cake Recipe provided by Dottie O.

Found in the book by Sharyn McCrumb, The Rosewood Coffin. Here is a recipe I found while reading the above-mentioned book. Let me know if anyone tried the recipe. Dottie

1<sup>st</sup> Kings 4:22  
Judges 5:25  
Jeremiah 6:20  
1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 30:12  
Nahum 3:12  
Numbers 17:18  
1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 14:25  
Leviticus 2:13  
Judges 4:19  
Amos 4:5  
Jeremiah 17:11



"It's believed that Scripture cake recipes first appeared in the early nineteenth century; however, they might have originated at an earlier time.

This type of novelty cake recipe, sometimes called a Bible cake recipe, was very much in fashion at women's sewing bees and home Bible study groups in the 1830s to 1850s.

They were presented as a fun cake recipe or fun guessing game which tested the participants' knowledge of the Bible and their cooking abilities and prevented the gathering from indulging in idle tittle-tattle, though it's doubtful they were always successful in preventing the latter."

-- Information from the following website:

<http://www.homemade-dessert-recipes.com/scripture-cake-recipes.html>

## Book Sales

We raised \$788 at the book sale in April, which includes \$39 in donations made through our new donation boxes at the cashiers' table. Thank you to all the volunteers who worked so hard on the sales.



### The next book sales will be held as follows:

Friday, June 17 & Saturday, June 18, in the Library's Community Room

Friday hours: 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday hours: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Friday, August 19 & Saturday, August 20, in the Library's Community Room

Friday hours: 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday hours: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### **Volunteers are needed for:**

- Set-up.
- Closing.
- Cashiers (two-hour shifts).

To sign up, please contact:

- Cashiers: Donna at [FriendsGHL@gmail.com](mailto:FriendsGHL@gmail.com)
- Set-up and/or Closing: Renee at [FriendsGHL@gmail.com](mailto:FriendsGHL@gmail.com)

Volunteers are also needed to sort books during the week: Contact Dottie at [FriendsGHL@gmail.com](mailto:FriendsGHL@gmail.com)

**Plastic grocery bags are needed:** We need clean plastic grocery bags for the sales...nothing larger or smaller.

**Book donations are needed:** Book donations are needed for the next sale, especially paperbacks and children's books. Please drop off book donations at the Reference Desk in the Library.

### **See our Revised Bylaws at the Friends of the Granada Hills Library's Website**

The Bylaws were revised earlier this year. Minor sentence structure and formatting changes were made for clarification, and two new sections were added to "Article V: Officers and Committees." One is titled "Section 8: Duties and Responsibilities of Officers," the other is titled "Section 9: Duties and Responsibilities of Appointed or Volunteer Committee Chairs." The revised Bylaws are available at the Friends' website.

*Our thanks to the By-Laws Committee for their work on the revisions to the Bylaws:  
Sandy J., Chair, Dottie O., Ann C., Debbie K., and Joan V.*

**The Friends' website is linked to the Los Angeles Public Library's website and can be accessed as follows:**

- Go to the Los Angeles Public Library's website: [www.lapl.org](http://www.lapl.org)
- Select "About the Library"
- Select "Branch Libraries"
- Select "Granada Hills"
- Scroll down to "Services" and select "Friends of Library Group"
- Click on "Continue to External Site"

**OR**

Go to the website [google.com](http://google.com) and search for "Friends of Granada Hills Library"



## Giving to the Friends of Granada Hills Library

by Renee Z.

A big thank you again to all of the households enrolled in the Ralphs Community Partners Program. The second quarter donation from Ralphs to Friends of the Granada Hills Library is \$202.01. Food 4 Less is also a part of this program. Our earnings so far are \$7.60 from Food 4 Less. Totals need to be \$25.00 or more to be sent out, but we continue to accrue dollars from Food 4 Less. We have 33 enrolled households at Ralphs. This is amazing.

Just a reminder to anyone unfamiliar with this program. There is no fee to register. It is easy to register your Ralphs Rewards Card to be linked to the Friends of the Granada Hills Library. It is a one-time swipe of FGHL barcode along with your Ralphs Rewards Card and you are registered. After that simple once-a-year process, a percentage of every purchase you make will be donated to FGHL. Your card will be registered at any Ralphs Market at which you choose to shop. Because your card is linked, just using your phone number at the market will suffice. We have earned on average \$200 or more each quarter. That is \$800 a year. Please see me if you would like to participate.

Respectfully submitted,

Renee Z.



### FRIENDS OF THE GRANADA HILLS LIBRARY:

Thank you for your interest in the Ralphs *rewards* Community Contribution Program. We are happy to be a part of your fundraising.

Here is your Organization's Scanbar code as requested. This supplemental process allows your members without access to a computer to be a part of your fund raising through our Community Contribution Program.

#### How it works

- Make copies of this form and give the copies to members of your organization who wish to enroll with your organization, but do not have access to register online.
- Members take this form the next time they go shopping at Ralphs and hand it to the cashier to scan within their order IN ADDITION to either their Ralphs *rewards* Card, or phone number entry that is linked to their *rewards* card.

