A Hearty Greetings to SoCal DF, fellow Dickensians!

Facebook group: www.facebook.com/groups/1405191869718211/

Regular meeting venue: Riverside Main Library / Zoom

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Zoom Link: Please contact Tim Clark for each updated Zoom link per respective meeting(s).

The Southern California Dickens (SoCal DF) Fellowship meets every other month to discuss a selected novel or a specific Dickensian theme. If a Guest Presentation opportunity avails, we will calendar in the between month.

We will offer Zoom meetings in January, March, May and July 2024 . All will focus on *Great Expectations.* Attempts at live meetings at our beautiful downtown library have not been well-attended, so such have been suspended until enthusiasm arises.

Here are our upcoming 2024 Saturday meeting dates, along with our presenter, topic, and/or chapters that will be read and discussed:

- January 13: Great Expectations (pt. I Ch. 1-14) Penguin Ch. 1-14 (Tim)
- February 10:William Harrison Ainsworth (Stephen Carver (Special presentation)
- March 9: Great Expectations (pt. I, Ch. 15-19, pt. II, Ch. 1-10) Penguin Ch. 15-29 (Faye)
- May 11: Great Expectations (pt. II, Ch. 11-20, pt. III, Ch. 1-5) Penguin Ch. 30-44 (Karen)
- July 13: Great Expectations (pt. III, Ch. 6-20) Penguin Ch. 45-59 (Tom)

Also: Our newsletter, **SoCal DF Greetings**, is published prior to each meeting.

Our annual Fellowship dues are designated to support local sponsorships and charities. We chose the following to bestow 2024 Holiday gift donations and sponsorships.

1. Operation Safehouse (abused and battered women)
2. Riverside City Mission
3. The Dickens Project (Dickens U.)
4. Neighborhood Academic Initiative (NAI high school Lit. program at Foshay)
5. Foodbank/Hope Net
6. House of Ruth
7. Living with Dignity Association
8. The Kibbutzim Movement
9. Leket for Israel