



60 years of "People Helping People"

June 2017

# The Lake Chapala Society

[www.lakechapasociety.com](http://www.lakechapasociety.com)

## A Most Generous Library Gift

The LCS English-Language Library extends warmest thanks to Janet Levy for her recent contribution of 25 large print books. Her donation includes titles we don't have in our existing collection of large print books.

Large print editions are not only significantly more expensive than the familiar smaller size books, they are not easily available in Mexico. Our large print patrons will be delighted with so many new titles including several the library doesn't even have in regular print.

As soon as we can get her donation processed and placed, these books will appear on a separate shelf on the "New Arrivals" rack in Room Two of the library. They will remain there for three months. Look for them soon.

## A Friend Needs Our Help...

LCS Life member, Barbara Madren has been diagnosed with cancer and is scheduled for surgery the first week of June. Her friends, recognizing her financial need, have organized a fund-raiser on her behalf at the American Legion in Chapala, her other home. By the time you receive this that event will probably be over, though her need will not. We are accepting donations at LCS on her behalf to help defray the costs she will be facing.

Barbara has lived Lakeside for more years than this writer is aware of. Many. Her involvement at LCS includes the video store, information desk manager and newsletter editor to name a few. She was a cornerstone for the success of the American Legion when they experienced management problems a decade ago. A generous person who has served this community for well over two decades now needs our help. Any support you can give will be greatly appreciated.



This past winter LCS members, Roy Quiriconi, and Roberto Serrano worked with LCS to form a chess club to promote chess amongst community youngsters.

Initial meetings with local schools have shown a high degree of interest among students, teachers and administrators.

For children who want to learn how to play, the club meets at LCS on Saturdays from 12 to 1 PM, everyone is welcome.

Founding members of the club state, "the goal is to establish an ongoing chess program in all the schools so that all children can participate in the game. Playing chess has proven to raise scholastic performance and provide skills that carry on through adulthood."

A tournament will be scheduled at LCS this fall.

## Summer Fun Returns!



## Member Discounts

As reported several times throughout the last year, LCS has been working hard to get our members exclusive discounts with a variety of services.

The Villa Group provides a 20% discount, on top of other discounts, to our members. Their line of exclusive resort packages is incredible. Check them out at: [www.villagroupresorts.com](http://www.villagroupresorts.com) and use the promo code: LAKECHAP. Or use the links that accompanied the email distribution of the newsletter.

The Villa Group is also a sponsor of our Summer Picnic. We will be auctioning off a 2 night certificate for two adults European Plan in a Deluxe Superior Room at Villa La Estancia Riviera Nayarit.

We are also proud to announce that the deal with Skymed Travel is now in effect. Go to their website and find more travel related deals at deep discounts. Every booking you make with them will help LCS generate revenue. Register at [www.skymedtravel.com](http://www.skymedtravel.com) and when prompted please use the code: 1512556.

**ITS THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN** to thank our vendors traveling for over 15 years from Guadalajara to provide services at LCS: Claravision Optometry, **Luz Zepeda**; Lakeside Hearing, **Leopoldo Gonzalez**; Lakeside Insurance, and **Edgardo Cedeño**! It means a lot to LCS that the three of you continue to give excellent service to our members!

## Wanted!

**Membership** needs a volunteer to work one shift a week. Requirements include the ability to follow written procedures, work with computer software and handle money.

**Blood Pressure** monitoring group is looking for volunteers with medical/nurse education to take blood pressure on Fridays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on the LCS campus.

**Garden Crew** needs volunteers to trim, plant, weed, and maintain our lovely gardens.

**Information Technology** is looking for volunteers familiar with IT support, networking and wireless functionality. Position requires climbing stairs several times a day.

¡**Que Ganga!** needs volunteers Mondays and Thursdays.

**Special Events** needs volunteers to greet guests, collect tickets, and help with fiesta decorations. If you are an outgoing person and have a bit of flair, this may be for you.

For more information about these and our other volunteer opportunities, see the website at [volunteer@lakechapasociety.com](mailto:volunteer@lakechapasociety.com) or fill out an application in the Service Office.

## Warren Hardy Spanish Classes

The next session of Warren Hardy Spanish language classes for LCS members will begin on Monday, July 3 and continue through August 19. Classes meet two days a week for an hour and a half each session at the Wilkes Education Center (*Biblioteca*) on Galeana.

The program is based on the Warren Hardy Spanish language course designed for the adult student. Several levels of instruction are available to suit the student's proficiency.

Register for upcoming classes at the LCS Service Office or online. The program manager will be available to answer questions and to register students every weekday from Monday June 26 to Friday June 30 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at LCS on the Blue Umbrella Patio.

Tuition for the course is \$750 pesos. The required course textbook is an additional \$670 pesos. Other instructional materials may be purchased separately.

For more information about the Spanish classes or LCS membership, visit the LCS website [www.lakechapasociety.com](http://www.lakechapasociety.com). or call the Service Office at 766 1140. *This is a members only program. You must be a member of LCS to attend and your membership must be current throughout the program.*

## Introduction to Spanish

This is a casual class for the beginner that covers the Spanish alphabet, simple vocabulary and phrases useful about town for shopping, and information about the Lakeside area and Mexican culture.

Starting the first Tuesday of the month and continuing for three weeks, the next session will start Tuesday, June 6, on the LCS campus from 12 to 1:30 p.m. Learning materials are provided. Tuition is \$175 pesos.

Sign up at the LCS office, or on our website at [www.lakechapasociety.com](http://www.lakechapasociety.com).

## ¡Que Ganga! UPDATE

Que Ganga!, the LCS' thrift store, is 9 months old. The LCS board conducted a six month review of the thrift shop. The findings remain optimistic, the store is moderately successful and well worth the effort, though things should be done to promote it more.

The most important result was to terminate the experiment to be open on Sundays, something no other thrift store in the area does, and given its location we had hoped to attract the Sunday traffic between Ajijic and San Juan Cosala. However sales did not justify keeping the store open on Sundays especially in light of the difficulty in finding volunteers willing to work the Sunday shift.

We therefore proudly announce the new store hours:

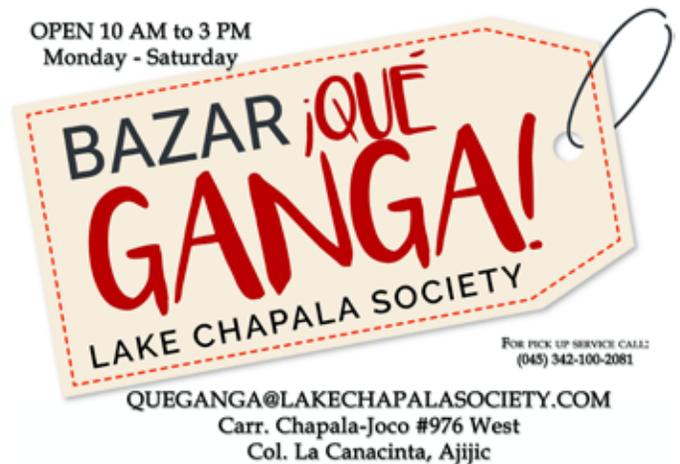
**Monday through Saturday 10 AM to 3 PM.**

Of **COURSE** we still need your help! The thrift shop is an important revenue source that helps support the important work of LCS. People Helping People!

Please keep donating merchandise. Please keep purchasing merchandise.

We need household items, furniture, and appliances. We love knick knacks!

Give us a call at 342-100-2081 and we'll even pick-up your donations.



## Pulitzer Prize Winners at LCS Library

The Pulitzer Prize for Fiction is one of the seven American Pulitzer Prizes that are annually awarded for Letters, Drama, and Music. It recognizes distinguished fiction by an American author, preferably dealing with American life, published during the preceding calendar year.

This prestigious recognition is one of the most coveted literary awards in the world. Several recent winning entries grace the shelves of our library, including "The Goldfinch" by Donna Tartt (2014) and Anthony Doerr's "All The Light We Cannot See" (2015), Viet Than Nguyen's "The Sympathizer" (2016)).

Although we do not, at this printing, have the 2017 winner Colson Whitehead's "The Underground Railroad", we do have two of his highly praised previous work "John Henry Days" and "Sag Harbor".

## June Activities

*\*Open to the Public \*\* US Citizens*

*(S) Sign in required (C) Membership card required*

### Health Insurance \*

IMSS & Immigration Services Mon+Tues 10-1  
Lakeside Insurance Broker Tues+Thur 11-2

### Health and Legal Services \*

Becerra & Galindo Services Thur 10:30-12:30 Sat 10-12:30  
Blood Pressure Fri 10-12  
Hearing Aid Services (S) Mon+2nd and 4th Sat 11-4  
Ministerio Publico Wed June 14 & 28 10-2  
Optometrist Claravision (S) Thur 9-3  
Skin Cancer Screening (S) 2nd + 4th Wed 10-12  
US Consulate\*\* Wed June 7 10:30-12:30 Sign up

### Lessons(C)

Children's Art Sat 10-12\*  
Children's Chess Sat 12-1  
Clases de Bordado Artístico Mon 3-6, Wed & Fri 4-6  
Exercise Mon+Wed+Fri 9-10  
Exploring Spanish Wed 1-2:30, Sat 11-12:30  
Fitness Thru Yoga Mon 2-3:30  
Introduction To Spanish Tues 12-1:30 (S)+ cost  
Line Dancing Tues+Thurs 10-11:15  
Photography Club 1st Mon 12-2  
Strength and Balance Exercise Tues+Thurs 8:45--9:45  
Warren Hardy Spanish Classes Mon-Sat Sign-up+cost

### Libraries

Audio Thur 10-12  
Book & Video Mon-Sat 10-2  
Library of Congress Books\*/ Talking Books Thurs 10-12  
Wilkes Mon-Fri 9:30-7, Sat 9:30-1\*

### Social Activities (C)

All Things Tech Fri 10-11:30  
Bridge 4 Fun Tue + Thurs 1-5  
Discussion Group Wed 12-1:30  
Everyday Mindfulness Mon 10-12  
Film Aficionados Thurs 2-4:30  
Games Group Mon 1-4  
Needle Pushers Tues 10-12  
Scrabble Fri 11:30-1:30  
Spanish/English Conversation Sat 11-12:30  
TED Learning Seminars Tues 12-1:15  
Tournament Scrabble Tues 12-1:50

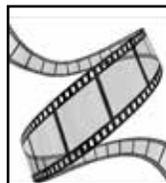
### Service and Support Groups \*

Al-Anon (in Spanish) Mon 6-7:30, Wed 5:30-7:30  
Information Desk Mon-Sat 10-1  
Lakeside AA Mon +Thurs 4:30-5:30  
Open Circle Sun 10-11:30  
Toastmasters Mon 7-8:30 p.m.

### Ticket Sales

**Monday-Friday 10-12 a.m.\***

## Video Library Additions June



The library needs couriers to bring back DVDs to help us keep our inventory current. We order them on-line, pre-pay them, and have them delivered to the address of your choice. If you can help, email Tom Keane at [keanhombre@prodigy.net.mx](mailto:keanhombre@prodigy.net.mx). Thank you.

Here are a few additions for June. Please see our bulletin board for more new additions, foreign films, TV series and some oldies, but goodies.

**The Infiltrator #7602** A biographical film about a U.S. Customs official who goes underground to expose a money laundering scheme and Columbian drug lord.

**Miss Sloane #7601** A female high stakes D.C. lobbyist and power broker you'll love to hate and want to see go down.

**The Man Who Would Be King #7605** Sean Connery and Michael Caine stirring up the kaka in British ruled India. From a short story by Rudyard Kipling. Sorry, no subtitles.

**A Walk in the Woods #7596** Robert Redford and Nick Nolte acting like they know what they are doing on the 2200 miles Appalachian Trail

**Mr. Church #7603** Eddie Murphy showing his acting skills in a non-comedy about a unique friendship with a little girl and her dying mother.

**Crash #7597** Los Angeles citizens with vastly different lives collide in interweaving stories of race, loss and redemption. Don Cheadle as a down-to-earth L.A. cop.

**Hidden Figures #7606** The true story of a team of African-American women mathematicians who played a vital role in NASA during the early years of the U.S. space program.

Got a favorite film on tape and would like to have it transferred to CD format? We can do that for you--cheap. It's only 50 pesos for members and 75 pesos for non-members for each copy. Ask the Video Library volunteer at the desk.

**Happy Father's Day!!**

**25% Off**

**BAZAR QUE GANGA!**  
LAKE CHAPALA SOCIETY

**men's clothing and accessories during the month of June**

## Children's Art Cards

Our wonderful cards are available at Café Corazon.

## TED Talks Learning Seminars

Tuesdays In the Sala noon to 1:15 p.m. Members only. Bring your card.

### June 6 - Three Principles for Creating Safer A.I.

Hosted by Susan Weeks - How can we harness the power of super-intelligent artificial intelligence (A.I.)? As we move closer toward creating all-knowing machines, A.I. pioneer Stuart Russell is working on something a bit different: robots with uncertainty. Hear his vision for human-compatible A.I. that can solve problems using common sense, altruism and other human values.

### June 13 - The Power of Vulnerability

Hosted by Susan Weeks - Brené Brown studies human connection — our ability to empathize, belong, love. In a poignant, funny talk, she shares a deep insight from her research, one that sent her on a personal quest to know herself as well as to understand humanity.

### June 20 - Listening to Shame

Hosted by Susan Weeks - Shame is an unspoken epidemic, the secret behind many forms of broken behavior. Brené Brown, whose earlier talk on vulnerability became a viral hit, explores what can happen when people confront their shame head-on. Her own humor, humanity and vulnerability shine through every word.

### June 27 - Facing the Future Without Fear, Together

Hosted by Reba Mayo - These are the times that try men's souls, and they are trying ours now, begins Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks in a provocative and electrifying talk about how we can face our increasingly uncertain future. The world is changing faster than we can bear. To solve the most pressing issues of the day, we must cultivate relationships based on community, cooperation and trust to counteract the fear, anxiety and isolation prevalent today.



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## Upcoming Bus Trips - Galerias Mall/Costco

Wednesday, June 28 & Thursday July 27

Shop major retailers including Best Buy, Sears and restaurants Cheesecake Factory, PF Chang and more, also shop nearby Costco, Sam's and Super Walmart.

Cost 350 pesos for members and 450 pesos for non-members. Bus departs promptly at 9:30 a.m. from the sculpture in La Floresta.



## Thursday Film Aficionados

Open to LCS members only. Bring your card. All films shown in the Sala from 2-4 p.m. No food. No pets.

### June 1 - Get Out 2017 USA

A young African-American man visits his Caucasian girlfriend's mysterious family estate. Several genres rolled into one brilliant film that is the early favorite for an Academy Award. (101 minutes)

### June 8 - Ustav Republike Hrvatske 2016 Croatia

"The Constitution" is a story that follows four people who live in the same apartment building in Zagreb but avoid each other because of differences in their assets, sexual habits and religion. A very timely film that features brilliant acting all-around. (87 minutes)

### June 15 - Inherit the Wind 1960 USA

Based on the actual Scopes "Monkey" Trial from 1925. Two great lawyers, Clarence Darrow and William Jennings Bryan, face off in a Tennessee courtroom. Spencer Tracy and Frederic March are stellar in this Academy Award winning film. (128 minutes)

### June 22 - Marmoulak-"The Lizard" 2004 Iran

A recently jailed petty thief disguises himself as a Mullah and succeeds in escaping, but has to remain in the Mullah role longer than he expects to. (109 minutes)

### June 29 - M 1931 Germany

When German police are unable to catch a child murderer, other criminals join the manhunt. This sensational film has finally been restored to mint condition by a collaborative effort of six countries. One of the better films of all time. (110 minutes)



THE LAKE CHAPALA SOCIETY, A.C.

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