

A Hearty Greetings to GRAD, fellow Dickensians!

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Regular meeting venue: Riverside Main Library / Zoom

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The Greater Riverside Area Dickens (GRAD) Fellowship meets monthly to discuss a selected novel or a specific Dickensian theme.

We will resume live meetings in October, which will take place in the Carnegie Room at our brand-new downtown Riverside Main Library. We have in the past successfully included Zoom participants and will continue to do so. Our chosen work for throughout the summer and fall is *The Uncommercial Traveller*, a series of essays written by Dickens in his later years for his monthly journal, All the Year Round.

In November we will begin reading and discussing the chosen novel for the **2023 Dickens Universe**, *A Tale of Two Cities*.

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

- **September 17** (*Dickens and Tennyson*) a special presentation by **Dr. Valerie Purton**
- **October 15** (*UT*, Ch. 19-37) led by **Vikky Pickett**
- **November 12** (Intro to *TTC*) presented by **Wayne Batton**
- **December** (Holiday break...read the novel!)
- **January 14** (*TTC*) presented by **Kendall Mattern**

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

Our annual Fellowship dues are designated to support local sponsorships and charities