

A Hearty Greetings to SoCal DF, fellow Dickensians!

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Regular meeting venue: Riverside Main Library / Zoom

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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 continue to offer Zoom meetings in 2025. 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 scheduled 2025 Saturday meeting dates, along with our presenter, topic, and/or chapters that will be read and discussed:

- March 22: (*The Perils of Certain English Prisoners* / Tom presenting)
- May 10: (*The Signalman* and *George Silverman's Explanation* / Tom presenting)
- July 12: (*Mrs. Lirriper's Lodgings* and *Doctor Marigold* / TBA)
- September 13 (*Sketches by Boz*, first 32 chapters, *Our Parish & Scenes*) Karen presenting
- November 15 (*Sketches by Boz*, final 24 chapters, *Characters & Scenes*) TBA

We are planning TBA LIVE socials during this season:

- A return trip to the Huntington Library and Gardens to view the Dickens displays and archives
- A Christmas gathering at Yvonne's lovely Harbor City home

Also: Our newsletter, **SoCal DF Greetings**, is published Quarterly.

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. Foodbank/Hope Net
5. House of Ruth