

Los Alamitos-Rossmoor Library

Library News

Fall 2025 ✨



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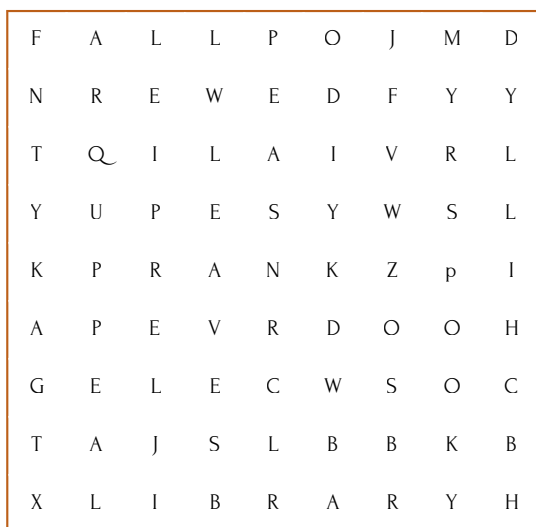
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Autumn's Finally Falling into Los Alamitos

Hello Readers!

The Friends of the Library are excited to start this new fall season and continue their work this fall season! Get ready for lots of spooky celebrations, fall-tastic bookstore updates, and tons of books in this newsletter. We can't wait to share all our excellent bookstore prices and especially news of our upcoming bookstore event! Even though we aren't able to do our usual outdoor book sales, we're keeping the tradition with our first event since the library's reopened! (Stay tuned for more info on pg. 3)

Fall Word Search



Word Bank:

Books Cozy Library Chilly
Fall Read Spooky Leaves
Friends Apple

Happy Reading!

Jaya and Giulietta, FOL Student Board Reps

Support Needed!

Let's start a new chapter and renew your commitment to the Los Alamitos/Rossmoor Library.

The Friends of the Library thank you for your generous past donations. We are asking you again to help fill the financial gaps created by the loss of our outdoor book sales and lower revenue. Please help us by making a tax-deductible year-end donation to the Friends of LAR Library.

Donation envelopes are available at the Bookstore and Library or you can donate at: www.friendsoflarlibrary.com

FOL President's Message - Donna Artukovic

Hello all you wonderful library lovers!

Fall has arrived and we are busy working to help our library be successful. Money! Money! Money! It is always an issue. Our 2025-26 budget includes revenue from our bookstore, our membership and our annual fund drive. Since we are able no longer to provide outdoor book sales, we need to find additional resources. We are working hard to make this happen.

We welcome four new members to our FOL Board- Stan Davidson, Marie Fitch, Sharlee Bergman and Carol Hart. We are confident that these new voices will add ideas, creativity and inspiration to our group. In addition we have a new student volunteer, Giulietta Morad. Our student representatives do amazing work – Facebook, Newsletter and additional publicity.

We are lucky to have hard working volunteers running our bookstore. Please visit the bookstore – amazing books and puzzles. And a great collection of children's books at extremely reasonable prices.

Libraries store the energy that fuels the imagination. They open up wonders of the world and inspire us to explore, achieve and contribute to improving the quality of life for all.

Support our library!!!

Donna Artukovic, FOL President



Bookstore Updates: SPECIAL HOLIDAY BOOK SALE!

NEWS FROM THE BOOKSTORE

Fall is here and so is our first big book sale since we reopened. Not the big outdoor event of the past but something fun for all kids, parents, grandparents and teachers.

On Saturday, October 18th from 9-4 in the community room at the Los Alamitos/Rossmoor Library there will be a huge sale of children's holiday books. Halloween, Thanksgiving, Hanukkah and Christmas!!!

Perfect for gifts!

Of course, the bookstore will also be open for you to find treasures to read. We have books on everything you have ever wanted to know!
Come on in and say hello to your next good read.

Mary Holzgang, Bookstore VP



FALL BOOK LIST!

Pick up some fall favorites this season to get you in the autumn mood! Donna Tartt's "The Secret History," Mary Shelley's "Frankenstein," Charlotte Brontë's "Jane Eyre," Leigh Bardugo's "Ninth House," and Agatha Christie's "And Then There Were None"!

Los Alamitos Rossmoor Library Events

Saturdays,
October 4th and 18th
10:00-12:00pm

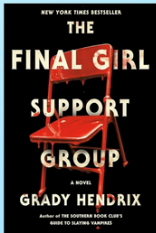
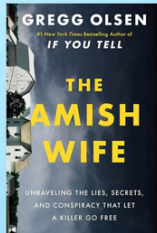
BRICK BY BRICK

GET READY TO BUILD, STACK, AND CREATE!



 Orange County Public Libraries

Genre Hopping Book Club

October	November	December
 THE FINAL GIRL SUPPORT GROUP GRADY HENDRIX Horror	 THE AMISH WIFE GREGG OLSEN True Crime	 The Hazelbourne Ladies Motorcycle and Flying Club Helen Simonson Historical Fiction

Tuesday,
October 28
4:00-6:00 PM

DIY VHS BRICKS

We will paint bricks like Halloween-themed VHS covers! Be inspired by a favorite movie, a recent release, or a classic and make your "tape" unique!

For adults.



 Orange County Public Libraries

Be the change.
Help change a life. Give blood.

 American Red Cross

Red Cross Blood Drive

Los Alamitos-Rossmoor Library

Program Room
12700 Montecito Rd
Seal Beach, CA 90740

Monday, October 27, 2025
10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

To schedule your lifesaving appointment, sign up online at RedCrossBlood.org and enter Sponsor Code: LosAILibrary

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.

Come to give blood Oct. 20-Nov. 16 for a \$10 e-gift card + chance at \$5k prize! redblood.org/harvest

1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | RedCrossBlood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

Thursdays
10:00 - 11:00am

TECH IT OUT

Sign up for a 15-minute appointment with a staff member to help with basic device questions.

By advance appointment only.



 Orange County Public Libraries

Tuesday, October 14th
4:30-5:30 PM

COOKBOOK CLUB

Demonstration will be from The SalviSoul Cookbook by Karla Tatiana Vasquez



 Orange County Public Libraries

Death and Donuts

Murder Mystery book club

Read any murder mystery you like, and join us to share your thoughts.

Donuts and coffee will be provided.

Every first Monday of the month
10:30 - 11:30 am

If you have any questions or want to join the email list, contact us at: chloe.devereaux@occr.ocgov.com

 Orange County Public Libraries

OC Public Libraries Presents

Spooky Month

Crafts



Get ready to celebrate Halloween all October long at the Los Alamitos-Rossmoor Library's "Spooky Month" Events. With activities for all ages, these six terror-ific days are sure to get the community in a Halloween mood.

CARAMEL APPLE SLICES Monday, Oct 6, 4:00-5:00 PM

Drop in between 4 to 5 pm to make some delicious caramel apple slices, dipped into various toppings. While supplies last. All ages welcome.

"A VERY TACO HALLOWEEN" MAGIC SHOW Thursday, Oct 9, 4:00 PM

Get Ready to be amazed by Christopher T. Magician's magic show! It'll be fun for the whole family! Costumes are encouraged!

SPOOKY PERLER BEAD CRAFTING Thursday, Oct 16, 4:00-5:00

Stop by the library to make your very own spooky creation using perler beads! All necessary materials will be supplied. Recommended for children 2nd grade & up.

SPOOKY TERRARIUMS Monday, Oct 20, 5:00-6:00 PM

Join us to create a spooky terrarium using natural materials and miniature spooky decorations. While supplies last. All ages welcome.

SPOOKY TRAIL MIX Thursday, Oct 23, 11:00-11:30

Stop by the library to create your own spooky trail mix using chocolate, mini marshmallows, pretzels, raisins and cereal. This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies

MONSTER MASH BASH Thursday, Oct 30, 4:00-5:00 PM

Join us for fun craft stations, snacks, and festive music. Little monsters will have the opportunity to parade around the library to visit different trick or treat stations



Friends of Library Info



2025-2026 FOL Board:

President: Donna Artukovic

2nd VP Membership:

Sharon Westafer

4th VP Bookstore:

Mary Holzgang

Secretary: Karen Covey

Treasurer: Becky Allie

Director: Sharlee Bergman

Director: Del Clark

Director: Carol Hart

Director: Marie Fitch

Director: Stan Davidson

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Student Rep: Giulietta Morad

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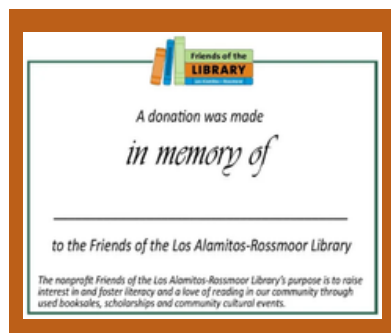
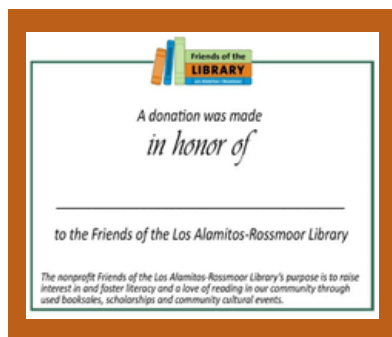
Opening Hours:

Mon - Thurs: 10 AM - 5 PM

Sat: 10 AM- 4 PM

JOIN THE FREINDS

Want to donate to the Friends of the Library? For each donation, you can now honor a loved one with a specialized card to be featured in the bookstore. (cards featured to the left)



Friends of the Library Membership
Sharon Westafer, Membership V.P.

We hope your weeks were filled with good health and good cheer. While sales from the bookstore help support the library, your membership dollars are immensely helpful in supporting library programs such as the extremely popular Children's Summer Reading Program, and entertaining programs and workshops presented by the library at various times of the year. Membership dollars also provide funding for furniture and other supplies for the library. If you haven't renewed your membership, please do so, and invite your friends and neighbors to join as well. The library and bookstore are such a wonderful asset for Los Alamitos-Rossmoor.

Your entire membership fee is tax deductible. Annual Memberships will be good thru June 2026. You will receive the Friends e-mail notifications. Quarterly newsletter. Join or renew today by mailing a check to the library at 12700 Montecito Road, Seal Beach CA 90740. You can also drop it off in person. Please include your current email address as we've found that emailing the newsletter and news of Friends events is a great way to keep our members up to date.

Thank you again for your past support. We hope to hear from you soon.

Membership Application

Individual \$20 __ Family \$25 __ Patrons \$50 __ Business \$200 __ Life \$250 __
Donation ____ New Member ____ Renewal ____

Please Print:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Make checks payable to Friends of LAR Library. You can also join on-line at www.friendslarlibrary.org.

You may also make renewals and donations through PayPal. Our email is friendsoflarlibrary@gmail.com