

Library News

Summer 2019



President's Message – *Del Clark*



Hello Friends!

Congratulations to the newly elected 2019-2020 FOL Board and welcome to our first-time elected Board members. These sixteen dedicated volunteers give countless hours to keep the organization humming.

Everyone serving has special responsibilities: attending and recording monthly Board meetings, overseeing our media including Facebook, website, g-mail, newspaper, e-blasts; managing our finances and membership; booking programs and planning hospitality; supervising the bookstore; conducting bimonthly book sales; serving on special committees, etc. This collective effort results in raising funds to support our library, the pride of our community!

Also, we acknowledge our more than 325 paid memberships and are grateful for the financial contributions received throughout the year from our generous patrons. Don't forget to renew your membership! (see pagefor a membership form)

Our May 19 Annual Meeting and Volunteer Appreciation Brunch was one of the season's highlights. At this meeting we approved both the newly revised bylaws and budget and elected our Board. We then enjoyed a lively brunch sharing stories and conversations with our loyal volunteers. A special thanks to Patti Piar and her husband Carlos for arranging the delicious cuisine!

On another note... Summer Programs will soon be in full swing for both children and teens. FOL has donated movie subscriptions to promote these summer activities for everyone in the community to enjoy. And be sure to stop by the library to see the "Showtime at your Library" box office theme set constructed by our amazing designer, Joseph Mannix.

Also, we invite you to join us for these upcoming events:

June 9— 2 pm, Student Scholarship Awards

meet the winners! & Board Installation

July 18 & 20 Book Sale...books galore at great prices

*Happy Reading,
Del*

Los Alamitos-Rossmoor
Library Hours

Monday -Thursday
10 am – 7 pm

Closed Friday

Saturday 9 am – 5 pm

Closed Sunday

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Ahaaa.....Summer
Time, when the
livin' is easy...



Greetings from the best little bookstore in the neighborhood. We are filled with so many delicious books, CD's, DVD's, games and puzzles and just received study guides for SAT testing in all areas. Most of them 2018 editions. Hurry in as these go fast, and you will have the summer to study.

Our regular patrons know we have a wide variety of non-fiction but those who haven't been in for a while will be surprised what you can find. Books and bibles on all religions, biographies, classics, sports, westerns, health and diet, cooking and even "coffee table" books. Magazines are only 25 cents each.

We love getting your donations of new and current books and magazines. Come visit us any time and browse. Our friendly volunteers will be glad to welcome you.

And ...Frieda Wray



It is sort of difficult to write a newsletter weeks before it is published....Right now it looks like Thursday of our May sale is going to be rained out (Ed. Note: partially true)....So lets jump ahead....

I am sure many of you like myself are ready for spring and summer gardening. The weather and rain are making it a great year for gardens!!! So check out the gardening books on the cart in Courtyard and in the BookStore. Sunset's book for California gardens is a classic and no matter how old it is...it is always a classic. My copy is more than 10 years old but it is still the best reference for our area!!! (Nice to know we are not always obsolete). The basics are there.

Of course, school is out and it is time to think about traveling (My husband and I are heading for the Four Corners where I grew up). We have an amazing number of books in the cabinet on US travel (separated by US and California). We have now moved guides for plants, birds, coastal biology and other information on California into that cabinet. It makes it easy to pull nature guides for an area as well as other information. And if you travel with your four-footed children like we do...places where they are welcome!!! or if you have two-footed children, lots of fun things for them to do. Our daughter and son-in-law from Alaska loved the things for kids to do in the LA book.

As I sign out, we desperately need guys to help us out when we set up and break down at our Outside Sales (the next one is July 18 and 20). Like so many volunteer organizations, we do have some strength-necessary jobs. We women can't do them on top of everything else we do.....Just an hour (probably more like 30 minutes and I have homemade cookies to snack on) on Thursday AM and Saturday AM...and breakdown at 4 PM on Thursday and Saturday.

I am sorry that I have had to cancel our bag sale, I know many of you miss it..Unfortunately, we have had a lot of people who sell on Amazon, etc...They have been wiping out a lot of our inventory which we like for our regular customers. I am trying to think of a balance but at this point, the bag sale is on hold. Please bear with me while I think of a good and fair solution!!! If you have an idea, check with me at the sale. Oh, we have added a bunch of Good Reads to your box. Becky, Katherine, Lois and I are reading as fast as we can!!! Please help us out with your suggestions. Good reading.

Do your shopping and benefit the Friends of the Library.

Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases when you shop at AmazonSmile.

Go to www.smile.amazon.com
Click on your regular account
Choose: change charity
Type in *Friends of the Los Alamitos/Rossmoor Library*

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Summer at the Library is all about Tech— *librarian Semra Bissel*

Watch Movies at the Library

We have recently acquired a movie license for the library just in time for the Summer Reading Program theme of “It’s Showtime at Your Library.” What does this mean? It means more amazing programs for you! We will soon begin hosting movies for all ages including new movies and classics. Look forward to movie Sing-Alongs with audience participation, children’s “Drive-In” movies and crafts, Book to Movie book club and lots more! Coming to your library in June!

Wireless Printing Now Available

You can now print virtually any document or web page from your internet connected PC to one of our library printers. There is no additional software required. Your email address will be used to uniquely identify your print jobs and you’ll use this info to obtain your document in the Library printing workstation. You would just browse your computer files to select the document you wish to print. You may also enter the URL of a web page you want printed.

To print from a WIFI connected device in the library, please visit www.printeron.net/ocpl/lar

To print (such as an email message or an attachment) from a mobile device, simply forward your email to ocpl-lar-bw@printspots.com. Email forwarding is ideal for online email portals such as Yahoo!, Hotmail or Google Mail. The reason is that most online email services require that you log in to access email. If you provide the URL (web address) of your message, the printing services will be blocked because your email login name and password are not known by the print system.

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Go to: ocpl.org
eLIBRARY
Magazines, Newspapers, & Current Events

You’ll find a list that includes these publications and many more. For further assistance with any of the Tech, please feel free to contact the Library

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**Don’t forget the
Outside Book Sale:
July 18 & 20**

**Volunteers always
welcome – we need
help setting up &
cashiering—
Send an email, call 562-
430-1048 x42800, or
stop by the Bookstore**



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Mango is an Interactive Language Learning resource that offers over 70 language courses.



Bookflix offers video storybooks, paired with nonfiction ebooks, for children from preschool through 3rd grade.



This online learning platform offers 1,000s of courses on a variety of subjects.



Overdrive offers a selection of fiction and nonfiction ebooks and audiobooks that are accessible via a computer or with a mobile app.



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Access Your eLibrary!

In addition to publications, your library has access to many online tools and databases, from ebooks and audiobooks to music, movies, and more. Access these digital services for free with your library card on your home computer or with your mobile device. Find all that our eLibrary has to offer on our website at ocpl.org/elib! Or come by the library and inquire with Cathryne Ramirez (who compiled the info on the databases) or any staff.

FOL Summer Bookstore Hours

Monday	noon – 6 pm
Tuesday	10 am – 4 pm
Wednesday	10 am – 4 pm
Thursday	10 am – 4 pm
Saturday	10 am – 4 pm



Turning Over the Fiscal Year

...Sandy Tessier, VP Programs

The Summer season is upon us and marks the beginning of another fiscal year for the FOL. Board members for the 2019 – 2020 session have been selected and we look forward to fresh adventures as the year unfolds.

One of the big accomplishments of last year (2018 – 2019) was the revising of our FOL bylaws. They had not been updated for many years, and our president, Del Clark, thought that some updating was long overdue. So she spent a good part of last spring and summer revising. I know she asked for and received help from several knowledgeable friends but the lion's share of this enormous project was shouldered by Del herself.

A project like this one, of revising and essentially rewriting the bylaws, is a task often taken for granted, overlooked and seldom even noticed. So, I want to take a minute to thank Del for tackling a difficult job that was so long overdue. The results of her efforts are a set of bylaws that are up to date, coherent, and easy to read. The present board of directors and future ones all owe you a big THANK YOU, Del! Job well done!

It's Membership Renewal Time

....*Sharon Westafer, VP Membership*



Renewal letters from the Friends of the LAR library are being sent and all renewals made now will be good until June of 2020. We've had a great response so far and encourage you to add to the success of our renewal campaign.

Along with proceeds from the wonderful Friends of the Library bookstore, your dues are what help to fund library programs such as the summer reading program for children. What a fun way to involve your children, grandchildren or child friends with the library. Some of my fondest memories are going to the library and selecting books to read with my mother when I was very young. When

I visited my grandparents in Santa Cruz, they lived around the block from the library and my grandmother always arranged with the librarian for me to check out books when I was visiting. Involving children with the library fosters a life-long love of reading and opens their world to a variety of experiences.

Please take a moment to write your renewal check and either mail it to the library or drop it by at either the bookstore or at the front desk. You can also give a membership for a birthday, Father's Day or graduation as a way to demonstrate your love of reading and your support of the library!

All membership donations are tax deductible. Thank you!

Have you considered becoming a **Lifetime Member** of the Friends of the Los Alamitos-Rossmoor Library? We currently have 130+ Lifetime Members, and we'd love to add you to the list! What does it mean for you? It means no more renewing your membership every year, and it means a tax-deductible donation of \$250. What does it mean for the Friends? It saves us the administrative cost of maintaining renewals, and it provides funds to help us sustain the many programs and resources available at the Los Alamitos-Rossmoor Library! You can use the form below to become a Friend for Life!!

Membership Application

- Individual/Family \$15 Contributing \$25 Business/Sponsor \$50 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.

I would like to volunteer in the following:

- Bookstore Outside sales Event support Board member Publicity
 I'm not sure, please contact me

Get ready for our Summer Reading Program "It's Showtime at the Library!"

On Saturday, June 15, 11 am-12:30 pm join us in a movie celebration of talented animals!

A koala leads a singing competition to save his theater while the contest attracts a pig mom, teenage gorilla, shy elephant, and punk porcupine!

Open to ages 4 and up, snacks will be provided. Call the branch at 562-430-1048 with any questions.



Summer Reading Program for Children and Teens June 17 through July 27

Sign up for our annual Summer Reading Program to earn prizes and raffle tickets just for reading!

We also have weekly performers for the family and activities for teens.

Kids and Family Wednesdays at 3:30 pm

- June 19 – Wild Wonders Animal Show
- June 26 – Billy Bonkers Magic Show
- July 3 – Best Bubble Show
- July 10 – Annie Banannie Balloon Show
- July 17 – Michael Rayner Juggling Show
- July 24 – Talent Show! (Sign up required)

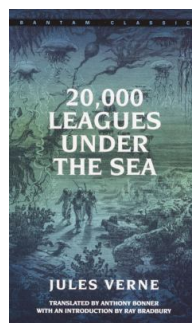


Teen Tuesdays at 4 pm

- June 18 - Tie Dye & Pizza
- June 25 – Pins Workshop
- July 9 – No Bake Pie Workshop
- July 16 – Canvas and Cookies
- July 23 – Spa Day Creations

Adults - Genre-Hopping Book Club

- June 2, 5:30 pm - *20,000 Leagues Under the Sea*
by Jules Verne
- July 1, 5:30 pm - *A Map of Salt and Stars*
by Zeyn Joukhadar
- August 1, 5:30 pm - *Where'd You Go Bernadette?*
by Maria Semple



Adult Programs

Conversational Spanish

Come join a new Spanish conversational class at the Library. It's drop-in on Tuesdays at 5:30 pm starting June 11 and ending on July 16.

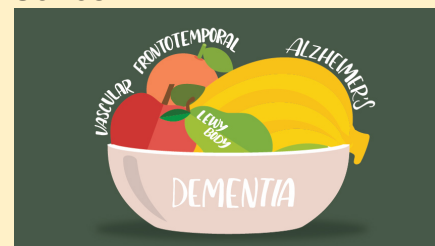
Learn basic conversational skills and useful tools for real life situations. Immerse yourself into the culture and lexicon of the second most spoken language throughout the world.

Class will be facilitated by Ms. Fatima Garcia-Rios, a community college Spanish instructor. Please call the Library for more details.

Tech Tutor

Tech tutoring on basic computer skills or how to use your device. Call the Branch to sign up. 9 am 6/5, 6/19, 7/10, 7/24 and 8/7.

Alzheimer's/Dementia Series



Learn more about basics of memory loss, stages, risk factors, and available resources. This informational series is facilitated by the Alzheimer's Association, Orange County Chapter. Free and open to all ages 2 – 3:30 pm. 6/25, 7/23 and 8/27

Spare Time Crafts

Adults, do you enjoy making crafts in your spare time? Come and make a craft at the library. Sign up not necessary. Materials will be provided. And, there will be snacks for all!! 6/20 – 4–5:30 pm

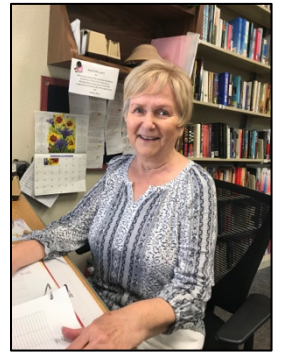
Book Store Featured Friend—Rae Ellen Kinney

We are so fortunate to have wonderful volunteers to keep our bookstore up and running. They open, uncover the book carts, price books, shelve and straighten the books and magazines. The reward for all this is greeting all of you who come into the store.

This issue features special friend **Rae Ellen Kinney**. You can find her on Tuesday afternoons from 12 to 3 pm. She loves being at the desk and helping our wonderful patrons who come in.

Rae was born in Seattle and grew up in Nevada where she attended UN Reno. Before coming to SoCal she was an administrative assistant, primarily in banking in Medford, OR. She has also done some volunteering at the Humane Society in Oregon. She is widowed and happily lives with her son and family. The plus to this is she gets to watch her 14-year-old grandson play baseball. She is his biggest fan and loves cheering for him and his team at Heartwell Park. She just cruised through the Panama Canal and she and her daughter are planning an Alaskan cruise in September.

We are so glad to have Rae !!!!



Congratulations to the winners of the FOL 2019 Scholarships

All seniors at Los Alamitos High School, each of our winners are to be commended. You are invited to join us on Sunday, June 9 at 2 pm, for the awarding of Scholarships and the Friends of the Library Board Installation.



Rena Elhessen, Bellflower

Rena will be attending Cerritos College, after which she plans to transfer to the University of California to major in Journalism. Her love of writing came from a constant contact with books and the Library.



Victoria Hansen, Seal Beach

Victoria has been an active volunteer both on campus and off as well as heavily involved in athletics throughout high school and plans to major in kinesiology at Purdue University.

Marley Hughes, Los Alamitos

Marley will be attending Yale. Marley's focus throughout high school has been on STEM and sharing that interest in Science as well as literacy in underprivileged communities.



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Erin Renee Schwartz, Seal Beach

Erin will be attending the University of Michigan and studying Nursing. Erin most enjoyed helping children through her volunteer work at the Library and a nearby hospital.



Danyelle Burke North, Garden Grove

Danyelle has made active use of the library throughout her school career and has perfect attendance! She will be attending Chapman University to study public policy.



About forty volunteers enjoyed our Annual Meeting and Volunteer Appreciation lunch on May 19.

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