



FRIENDS OF THE ENCINO-TARZANA LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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50 Years and Counting! **The Friends of Encino-Tarzana Library is 50 years old**

The group had its initial meeting in March 1971 and its formal inauguration in February 1972 with the adoption of By-Laws.

We have newsletters and photos from the 1970s and 1980s describing programs at the Library: children's authors such as Leo Politi spoke - three of his watercolors hang in the Children's section; programs for adults included Steve Allen, Ray Bradbury, Rochelle Krich, and many, many others. We had picnics, excursions, and patio book sales starting in the early 1970s. We hibernated during the reconstruction period, (2000-2003) but we came back strong with indoor book sales and our beautiful book store.

There are pictures, documents, and newsletters from that earlier time on our website, along with information about more recent activities.

Start with the home page carousel at: <https://www.etfol.org/>

Then the History of FOL page at <https://www.etfol.org/HistoryFOL.html>
which includes our very first website from 2007.

More recent history is found at Supporting Our Library: <https://www.etfol.org/supportinglibrary.html>
and at the history page: <https://www.etfol.org/history.html>.

Newsletters back to 2003 are at: <https://www.etfol.org/newsletter.html>

Finally, there are some pictures of the first library buildings, from the 1930s, on the Library Information page at:
<https://www.etfol.org/libraryinfo.html>

President's Message

Our Friends of the Encino-Tarzana Branch Library has been in existence for Fifty Years! An amazing milestone for a small volunteer group. It speaks to the dedication, resilience and passion of our many FOL volunteers past and present for half a century.

It has been my honor to serve and continue to serve as President of this very active and steadfast group of volunteers who have brought so much support to the Encino-Tarzana Branch Library.

May the next fifty years see our FOL continue to grow and flourish. Thank you to all of you who have made this milestone possible.



Maggi Stern, President

Print copies of this Newsletter are available in the Library on the FOL information racks in the central area and in the Book Store. The digital version with clickable links is on the website at:

<https://www.etfol.org/newsletter.html> ---- Newsletter Editor, Judy Russell

Supporting The Library - Volunteers

In the fifty years since the Friends was founded, the dedication of many volunteers has supported the Library. Volunteer efforts in our book store and at our quarterly book sales have made many children's, teen, and adult programs possible, and provided furniture and supplies for the Library (including the 2021 renovation of the children's corner). The Book Store has been open when the Library is open; volunteers assisted patrons in finding books and handled sales. In addition, we spent many hours every week sorting donated books, either for sale in the Store or at our Book Sales. Finally, Book Sale volunteers set up the book displays, staffed the sale itself, and broke everything down after the sale. Information about joining our volunteer family should be available soon.

1985
Book Sales
were held
Mondays &
Tuesdays on
the Library
Patio.



News from the Book Store

We plan on opening the book store as soon as possible. The re-opening will depend on LAPL rules and the availability of volunteers to run the store. There may also be a change in hours. Safety is our top priority.

We'll have a large and varied selection of books for your enjoyment and we're looking forward to seeing you soon!

Big Book Sales

Book sales will resume when the Library can fully reopen. LAPL will be issuing guidelines for large group activities as safety allows. We have many books and are anxious to set up and allow all to find the special books you can enjoy, most of which are still \$1.00 or 50¢. At this time we cannot know when COVID-19 will allow that to happen.

Library Update

Over the past month, the Los Angeles Public Library temporarily modified its public service hours due to staffing challenges that resulted from COVID-19. As the situation remains fluid, we're suggesting that our patrons look for the [Encino-Tarzana Branch](#) on the Library's website for the most up-to-date hours of operation before you visit us.

You are required to wear a mask that covers your nose and mouth when you are in the library. We also suggest that you maintain a safe distance of six feet from other patrons and from our staff.

Our passion continues to be providing you with books, information, and programs that educate and entertain, but our priority right now must be safety.