

FRIENDS OF THE ENCINO-TARZANA LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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<http://www.ETLibraryFriends.org>

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TARZAN CENTENNIAL

*In honor of the hundredth anniversary of the publication of
Edgar Rice Burroughs' classic Tarzan of the Apes*

Friday, August 17, through Sunday, August 19, 2012

Unveiling • Movie • Lecture • Fun Day • Sidewalk Fair

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Tarzana Community & Cultural Center, 19130 Ventura Blvd., Tarzana.

Encino-Tarzana Branch Library, 18231 Ventura Blvd., Tarzana

Tarzana Safari Walk
(on Ventura Blvd. between Reseda and Crebs/Burbank)

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YET AGAIN – A B-I-G USED BOOK SALE

Friday & Saturday – September 7 & 8 -- 10:00 – 5:00

Thousands of items – most for 50¢ to \$1.00 – many “like new”

*Info and to volunteer: Contact Margaret Talvin
mtalvin@mac.com OR 818.343.7105*

If you can't come to our Book Sale, stop by the Library and shop in our
Bookstore (open daily) – same prices as our Book Sale but varying inventory.

**THANK YOU to our Book Sale Managers: Norma Lamken, Margaret Talvin;
To our Board Liaison: Mark Lamken, 2nd Vice President;
And to ALL of our dedicated and wonderful volunteers -- adults and teens.**

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

It seems as if our incredible book sale volunteers have just recovered from the blockbuster June book sale to find that the September sale is sneaking up fast. It is so rewarding to see the results of everyone's hard work translated into concrete tangible items and programs for the library and the community.

In July the long awaited replacement and additional meeting room tables purchased by the Friends arrived. We are now looking into buying replacements for the badly worn upholstered chairs in the library. New Hot-Off-The-Press books are arriving almost every day; and the Library staff is assured that with funding from the Friends, needed supplies can be obtained despite budget limitations.

Another especially rewarding use of Friends earnings is the co-sponsorship of the Children's Summer Reading Club. When I see the eager first, second, and third graders proudly showing off their lists of books they have read and know that their hard won reading skills will not be lost over the summer vacation -- that's what Friends are for!

-- **Adele Druck**, President, Friends of Encino-Tarzana Library President@ETLibraryFriends.org

NEW CITY LIBRARIAN

JOHN SZABO was appointed new City Librarian by Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa on June 14 2012, after an intensive national search. Mr. Szabo "will oversee the department's Central Library, 72 branches, 900 employees, and \$113 million budget. The Los Angeles Public Library serves four million people – the largest population of any library in the United States." For details: http://www.lapl.org/newsroom/releases/Szabo_Announcement.pdf

NEWS FROM OUR BRANCH MANAGER, DAVID HAGOPIAN:

Encino-Tarzana Branch ended the fiscal year 2011-2012 as number 3 in circulation throughout all of the 72 branches of the Los Angeles Public Library (LAPL)! That's quite a record considering we are among the smaller of the branches with such limited parking. Good job David and staff! And thanks to all of you Friends for your support!

LAPL will be restoring more hours in October (Monday and Wednesday nights and Friday mornings). Current library hours are:

Mon. & Wed. – 10:00 am – 5:30 pm
Tues. & Thurs. - 12:30 – 8:00 pm
Fri. & Sat. – 1:30 – 5:30 pm
Sun. - closed

Need info on the go? Text a Librarian! LAPL now offers [text message reference services](#) (standard message rates apply). Also, **Hold notices** are now available via text message on your mobile phone. [Click here to sign up.](#)

Finally, the Library is going through the hiring processes for Messenger Clerks, Clerk Typists, Library Assistants, Librarians, and Senior Librarians.

NEW YOUNG ADULT LIBRARIAN AT ENCINO-TARZANA

Matt Rodriguez comes to us from the Vermont Square Branch, where he was the YA librarian for several years. Since arriving at Encino-Tarzana, he has been working on collection development and maintenance, and recruiting teen volunteers. Thanks to his hard work and interesting programs, this year's Teen Summer Reading Club has been very popular with over 100 sign ups. We are very glad to have Matt and he is settling in well.

BEAUTIFUL LIBRARIES

Judy Cohn found this great webpage – “*The 25 Most Beautiful Public Libraries in the World*” on the “*Flavorwire – Cultural News and Critique*” website (July 4, 2012 – originally posted April 16, 2012). We were proud to see that our Los Angeles Public Library is included. Go to: (<http://flavorwire.com/280318/the-25-most-beautiful-public-libraries-in-the-world?all=1>)

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HERE'S A GREAT WEEKEND
FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS --

TARZAN CENTENNIAL

*In honor of the hundredth anniversary of the publication of
Edgar Rice Burroughs' classic Tarzan of the Apes*

Fri. August 17, 11:30 am – **Edgar Rice Burroughs U.S. Postage Stamp Unveiling**
@ Tarzana Community & Cultural Center, 19130 Ventura Blvd., Tarzana.

Fri. August 17, 2:00-4:30 pm – **Screening of original 1932 movie,**
Tarzan The Ape Man, starring Johnny Weissmuller and Maureen O'Sullivan
@ **Encino-Tarzana Branch Library**, 18231 Ventura Blvd., Tarzana 91356

Sat., August 18, 11:30 am – **Ralph J. Herman, Sr., local historian and Tarzana native**,
speaking of the early days of Tarzana, including personal anecdotes and
commentary about the Burroughs family, the history of the Tarzana Ranch, and the
development of the community. With visual aids and memorabilia displays.
@ **Encino-Tarzana Branch Library** – *Co-sponsored by Friends of the Library*
(no photography or videotaping please)

Sat. August 18, 1-5 pm – **Free Fun Day** @ Tarzana Community & Cultural Center.
Magicians – Petting Zoo – Talent Show – Food Trucks – Games & Prizes
(sponsors: *Tarzana Neighborhood Council &*
Woodland Hills-Tarzana Chamber of Commerce)

Sun. August 19, 11am-4pm -- **Tarzana Sidewalk Fair** along Tarzana Safari Walk
on Ventura Blvd. between Reseda and Crebs/Burbank)
Tarzan & Jane Contest – African Drumming – Tarzana Aikikai Demo
Parrots from Parrots Naturally, Tarzana – Exotic Animals
Balloon Animal & Face Painting by Joslyn
Ms. Melodee's Dance Performance – Business & Restaurant Specials
(sponsors: *Tarzana Improvement Association*)

PLACES TO GO – LOCAL RECREATION

Judy Russell has created a beautiful new webpage for the Friends that explores our local recreational areas in Encino, Tarzana, and the Sepulveda Dam and Basin. These places, with lots of photos, include many mountain hiking trails as well as parks and centers, all with access points. Then too there are reserves, parks, gardens, fields, sports complexes, and also details about Lake Balboa, Bull Creek, and the Los Angeles River.

Go to our webpage – <http://www.ETLibraryFriends.org>, and pull down the “Resources” menu, and click on “Local Recreation.” You will be pleasantly surprised and delighted.

USED BOOK SALE NEWS

According to many of our customers who frequent many of the used book sales throughout the city, we hear that our Used Book Sales are the “best!” It is the best because you, our donors, are very generous. First, of course, the librarians choose from your donations what they need for the library collection, and they give us the remaining items for our book sales – mostly high quality books in good condition.

Then, it is also the best because our volunteer managers, Norma Lamken and Margaret Talvin, have devised an easy-to-find system that serves our customers first and foremost. In other words, they sort the fiction books alphabetically by author, and separate the formats – paperbacks and large paperbacks from hard cover. They also divide the nonfiction into many subjects, again in alphabetical order. They have some separate sections, i.e. a children’s section, a classics section, a vintage section, a romance novels section, and special sets (encyclopedias, history sets, unique items, etc.). And, finally, we sell other formats besides books, e.g. CDs, DVDs, and Audiobooks.

Norma and Margaret have also set reasonable prices -- mostly 50 cents to one dollar – often lower than other neighborhood used book sales.

Our customers return again and again – not only for our quarterly book sales but also to our permanent Used Bookstore in the north end of the library, which is open daily, and which is restocked often. The prices for all sales are the same – it’s just the inventory that differs between the quarterly and daily sale items.

Norma and Margaret are very efficient and work very hard. Two volunteers who are assigned regular tasks to work with them are Jane Gebers, who calls for substitutes, often substituting herself, and Mark Lamken, our 2nd Vice President, who works with them and serves on our FOL Board. They have many other wonderful volunteers who work with them, too many to name here. The volunteers work weekly hours sorting and boxing donations and weekly and substitute hours in our bookstore. We also have many teens who help out when they can. It’s a great team effort with wonderful results.

Going back into our records, note that our December 2004 quarterly book sale brought in about \$1000 when we were just getting started in the used book business. Compare that with our December 2011 quarterly book sale income of \$3,405.12. Our income for quarterly used book sales on March 2 & 3 was \$4,262.92, and for our June 8 & 9 used book sale \$4,027.45. Amazingly, it keeps getting better and better, and the library and our community benefits tremendously from it all! THANKS TO ALL OF YOU FOR DOING A GREAT JOB!

HOT-OFF-THE-PRESS BOOKS

HOTP are located on the "New Books" shelves, next to the Information Desk. HOTP may be borrowed for seven days and must be returned to this Library. HOTP cannot be reserved or renewed. (However, these titles may be reserved from the larger library collection through the Library's Reserve ("Hold") system, but may take longer to obtain.)

A subscription to HOTP Books is a gift from Friends of Encino-Tarzana Library. Selection and acquisition of books is explained on our webpage. Our Librarians notify the Friends when HOTP Books are received and placed on shelves

Here are the HOTP books received during the month of July 2012:

Donna Andrews - *Some Like It Hawk* (Meg Langslow Mystery)
Kelley Armstrong - *Thirteen* (Women of the Otherworld Series)
Tana French - *Broken Harbor* (Dublin Murder Squad Series)
Emily Giffin - *Where We Belong*
Judith A. Jance - *Judgment Call* (Joanna Brady Series)
David Rosenfelt - *Leader of the Pack* (Andy Carpenter Series)
Danielle Steel - *Friends Forever*
Brad Thor - *Black List*
Chris Bohjalian - *The Sandcastle Girls*
James Lee Burke - *Creole Belle* (Dave Robicheaux Series)
Orson Scott Card & Aaron Johnston - *Earth Unaware*
Mary Daheim - *The Wurst is Yet to Come* (Bed-and-Breakfast Series)
Iris Johansen & Roy Johansen - *Close Your Eyes*
Elton John - *Love Is the Cure: On Life, Loss, and the End of AIDS*
Daniel Silva - *The Fallen Angel* (Gabriel Allon Series)
Gigi Grazer Levangie - *The After Wife*
Stephen L. Carter - *The Impeachment of Abraham Lincoln*
Andrew Gross - *15 Seconds*
Alex Kava - *Fireproof* (Maggie O'Dell Series)
Guy Lawson - *Octopus: Sam Israel, the Secret Market, & Wall Street's Wildest Con*
Susan Elizabeth Phillips - *The Great Escape*
Jack McCallum - *Dream Team: How Michael, Magic, Larry, Charles, and the Greatest Team of All Time Conquered the World and Changed the Game of Basketball Forever*
Chris Cleave - *Gold*
Catherine Coulter - *Backfire* (FBI series)
Linda A. Fairstein - *Night Watch* (Alexandra Cooper Series)
Steve Hamilton - *Die A Stranger* (Alex McKnight Series)
Deborah Harkness - *Shadow of Night* (All Souls Trilogy)
Gillian Flynn - *Gone Girl*
Karen Kingsbury - *Coming Home*
James Patterson & Michael Ledwidge - *I, Michael Bennett*
Bill Pronzini - *Hellbox*
Karin Slaughter - *Criminal*
Jennifer Weiner - *The Next Best Thing*
Mitch Winehouse - *Amy, My Daughter*
Diana Palmer - *Courageous*
Jeff Abbott - *The Last Minute*
Lisa Unger - *Heartbroken*

[For more, see our website: <http://www.ETLibraryFriends.org/2hotoffthepress.html>]

FOL BOOK CLUB NEWS

Page Turners Book Club members have been reading & discussing a variety of topics, e.g.

Xinran: *Sky Burial – An Epic Love Story of Tibet*

Simon Mawer: *The Glass Room*

Note: Jan Monson delighted our members with a special treat – she brought Chinese and Tibetan refreshments in keeping with the setting of the book – *Sky Burial*.

See photo on <http://www.etlibraryfriends.org/3bookclubs.html>

Coming up: Sept. 6 – David Liss: *The Coffee Trader* (a New York Times Notable Book)

Oct. 4 - Erik Larson: *In the Garden of Beasts: Love, Terror and an American Family in Hitler's Berlin*

The **History and Politics Book Club** members have concluded their review of all of the U. S. Presidents and their terms of office. Now, they are discussing specific historical topics. Current topics are the causes of war – in July it was the War of 1812. On **Wednesday, August 22, at 4:00 pm**, they will be discussing the War with Mexico. Each member of the Club selects a different book to read on the topic; this encourages lively discussions.

All FOL members are welcome to join our book clubs. Contact Carol Fox, Book Club Chair, at bookclubs@etlibraryfriends.org .

FRIENDS RECOMMEND

At the end of each Board and annual meeting, we share information on some of our readings and viewings. Here are our recent recommendations:

Suzanne Collins - *Hunger Games* (book and movie)

Marilyn Johnson - *This Book is Overdue! How Librarians and Cybrarians Can Save Us All!*

Ray Bradbury (1920-2012) – We suggest you read or re-read some of his books, as a fitting memorial to this award-winning author.

[for more, see our website: <http://www.etlibraryfriends.org/3recommend.html>]

MORE ABOUT E-BOOKS

E-books are here and selling well. One can buy ebooks or borrow from the library. Now, there is a “standalone downloadable app that is a book unto itself.” Penguin is offering an “amplified” version of *Atlas Shrugged* by Ayn Rand. According to Joseph Janes:

“It has several features of note: In addition to the text and navigational aids, the reader gets screenshots of manuscript pages, video and audio excerpts of author Ayn Rand’s lectures, articles, photos, a timeline of her life, etc. Even more fascinating, though, are the ‘reader enrichment materials,’ such as the discussion guide for book groups, a trailer for an upcoming documentary, ‘testimonials from celebrities and business leaders’ on how keen it is, and ... a ‘collection of shareable quotes and passages from the novel (via Facebook, Twitter, and email)’ and a ‘fun ‘Who Said That?’ quiz to challenge readers to recall some of the most memorable lines from the novel.’ That’s quite a lot for \$14.99, and it won the Publishing Innovation Award for fiction apps this year, beating out *Pride and Prejudice and Zombies*.”

Source: [Amped-Up Ebook Apps by Joseph Janes](#), *American Libraries*, 7/24/2012.

LIBRARY EVENTS – AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2012

Reported by Librarians to Friends of Encino-Tarzana Library
For UPDATES and DETAILS, go to <http://www.ETLibraryFriends.org>

LIBRARY HOURS: Mon,Wed,Sat 10:00-5:30; Tues,Thur 12:30-8:00; Fri 1:30-5:30, Sun closed
FRIENDS OF LIBRARY - USED BOOK STORE IS OPEN DURING LIBRARY HOURS
Grandparents and Books - GAB Volunteers read to children. Mon. & Tues 3-5, Sat. 10:30-12:30, 3:30-5:30

AUGUST 2012=====

Thurs. 8/2/12, 4:00-6:30 pm - (TEENS) Summer Reading Club - Movie Night - "I am Number Four" Co-sponsored by Friends of the Library.

Tues. 8/7/12, 4:00-5:00 pm - (KIDS) Arts & Crafts with Shokoufeh.

Wed. 7/8/12, 3:00-5:00 pm - Persian Movie Screening - "Vrood Zendah Ha Mamnoo." No English translation available. Co-Sponsored by Friends of the Library.

Thurs. 8/9/12, 4:00-5:00 pm - (TEENS) Teen Summer Reading Club - Collage Art Program and the End of the Summer Reading Club Party- Make art using the technique of collage and celebrate the end of the Summer Reading Club with food and refreshments. End of Summer Reading Club raffle and prizes to teens who participated. *Co-Sponsored by Friends.*

Sat. 8/11/12, 10:00 am-2:30 pm - (TEENS) - SAT Practice Test.

Wed. 8/15/12, 1:00-2:30 pm - Friends of Library Open Board Meeting. Everyone welcome! Call (818) 343-1983 to confirm.

Thurs. 8/16/12, 6:30-7:30 pm - Tales from Bill Derringer - Part 1 : "Chopped Liver with Schmaltz" – with Arnold Weiss

Fri. 8/17/12, 2:00-4:30pm - Tarzan Centennial - Original 1932 film. "Tarzan the Ape Man" - with Johnny Weissmuller and Maureen O'Sullivan. Co-Sponsored by Friends of the Library.

Sat. 8/18/12, 11:30 am-1:00 pm- Tarzan Centennial -- Local Historian Ralph J. Herman, Sr. - The early days of Tarzana, with memorabilia. Co-Sponsored by Friends of the Library.

Tues. 8/21/12, 4:00-5:00 pm - (KIDS) Storytime - Children and Families are invited to an hour of stories and fun with the children's Librarian.

Wed. 8/22/12, 4:00 - 5:30 pm - Friends of Library History & Politics Book Club - Exploring the causes of war. Select and read a book about the War with Mexico and come prepared for a lively discussion.

Thurs. 8/23/12, 5:30-6:30 pm - Book Lover's Book Club - Discussing *The Paris Wife* by Paula McLain.

Sat. 8/25/12, 2:00-4:00 pm - Last Saturday of the Month Poetry - Come listen to an eclectic group of poets. All are invited to participate. Read a classic poem or your own poetry. Each reader will have six minutes.

Tues. 8/26/12, 4:00-6:00 pm - (KIDS) Children's movie screening: "Mirror, Mirror."

SEPTEMBER 2012=====

Tues. 9/4/12, 4:00-5:00 pm - (KIDS) Arts & Crafts with Shokoufeh.

Thurs. 9/6/12, 3:00 pm - Friends of Library Page Turners' Book Club - discussing *The Coffee Trader* by David Liss (offsite).

*******FRIENDS OF LIBRARY GIGANTIC USED BOOK SALE*******

Fri. 9/7/12, 10:00 am-5:00 pm (Sale opens 10:00 am; rest of Library will open at 1:30 on Friday)

Sat. 9/8/12, 10:00 am-5:00 pm Thousands of books. Most 50¢ or \$1.00

Tues. 9/11/12, 4:00-5:00 pm - (KIDS) Inca Music of Peru.

Wed. 9/12/12, 3:00-5:00 pm - Persian Movie Screening - "Here Without Me." Co-Sponsored by Friends of the Library.

Thurs. 9/13/12, 6:30-7:30 pm - Tales from Bill Derringer - Part 2 : "Cats and Knishes" - Arnold Weiss performance.

Tues. 9/18/12, 4:00-5:00 pm - (KIDS) Storytime - Children and Families are invited to an hour of stories and fun with the children's Librarian.

Wed. 9/19/12, 1:00-2:30 pm - Friends of Library Open Board Meeting. Everyone welcome! Call (818) 343-1983 to confirm.

Wed. 9/26/12, 4:00 - 5:30 pm - Friends of Library History & Politics Book Club - Exploring the causes of war. Select and read a book about the Civil War and come prepared for a lively discussion.

Thurs. 9/27/12, 5:30-6:30 pm - Book Lover's Book Club - Discussing *The Nineteenth Wife* by David Ebershoff

Sat. 9/29/12, 2:00-4:00 pm - Last Saturday of the Month Poetry - Come listen to an eclectic group of poets. All are invited to participate. Read a classic poem or your own poetry. Each reader will have six minutes.

EXHIBITS AT THE LOS ANGELES PUBLIC LIBRARY

"A Nation Emerges: The Mexican Revolution Revealed" Central Library - Getty Gallery, September 8, 2011 through February 23, 2013.

"As the City Grew: Historical Maps of Los Angeles" Central Library - First Floor Galleries, through November 4, 2012.

"Edited for Publication: Photographic Manipulations in the Los Angeles Herald Examiner" Central Library - History Department (LL4), through August 31, 2012.

[Treasures of Los Angeles](#). Central Library, The Annenberg Gallery, Ongoing.

Address: LAPL, Central Library, 630 West 5th Street, Los Angeles 90071 – 213.228.7000

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