



**Friends of the
Lincoln Public Library**

2019 Annual Report



485 Twelve Bridges
Lincoln CA 95648

Our Mission

To support and promote the Lincoln Public Library

Established in 1986, the Friends of the Lincoln Public Library (FOLL) is an all-volunteer, membership-supported, non-profit corporation, registered as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. The City of Lincoln, Sierra College, and Western Placer Unified School District provide much of the funding for Library operations. However, the Library could not provide the programs and services it does without the additional financial support provided by FOLL and the numerous volunteers who give hours of their time.

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What an Exciting Year!

We had an exhilarating year at the Lincoln Public Library. FOLL hosted the first "Library Open House" and continued to expand its Library promotion activities. Our membership numbers grew substantially and the community provided a record level of financial support.

In 2019, FOLL provided over \$50,500 in funds for Library programs and services. These funds enable the Library to provide the Summer Reading Program and various children programs, expand its collections, offer online resources, and more.

Library Open House

The Library's open house offered something for everyone. The fun and informative evening was held on May 2 in conjunction with Big Day of Giving and the FOLL annual membership meeting. The Open House included guided tours of the Library, demonstrations of online resources and the Library and FOLL websites, a self-guided art tour, light refreshments, music, and crafts and story time for youngsters. The 150 attendees had opportunities to learn about the new high school from the Superintendent of Western Placer Unified School District, life-long learning courses from Sierra College, Library volunteer opportunities, and the many ways that FOLL supports the Lincoln Public Library.



Summer Reading Program

FOLL provides the primary funding for the Summer Reading Program. Summer reading programs encourage children and teens to make reading a lifelong habit, draw in reluctant readers with activities, help children keep their skills up over the summer, and generate interest in the library and books. In 2019, 1,251 children and teens read books and completed other literacy-focused activities.



The theme for Summer Reading 2019 was "Showtime at Your Library." FOLL purchased books for reading rewards and theme-based materials. FOLL also paid for four summer reading events: Fenix Dance and Drum, Musical Robots, Puppet Arts Theater and Maquilli Tonatiuh Aztec Dancers.

Children's Programs

Mother Goose on the Loose continues to be a popular program for children ages 0 to 4. In 2019, the Library held 72 sessions attended by over 4,980 children and their parents/caregivers. Marching, rhyming, singing, and more help little ones learn and grow. FOLL provided funds for Library staff time dedicated to this program, new BIG books, a book easel and other needed materials.



Pictured: Cindy Pulliam (volunteer) with staff Sam Schlafer and Tonie Jenkins.



Pictured: Carol and John Noon (volunteers)

Family Story Time provides an enjoyable afternoon once a week for children to listen to books read by volunteers and for parents/caregivers to learn how they can help their child with literary skill at home. In 2019, the Library held 30 sessions attended by 474 children and their parents/caregivers. FOLL purchased new books for use by story time readers.

Homework Center provides a quiet space for K-8 students to study and receive help with their homework. In 2019, the Homework Center was open 92 days with 707 students attending. FOLL supplied the Homework Center with bottled water and snacks.

Family Movie Night offers a movie theater experience to families at no cost. The Library shows a movie each month (except December) and uses that opportunity to talk to attendees about literacy. This popular event was attended by 821 children and adults in 2019. FOLL paid for the movie license and DVDs and members staffed the concession stand. Also, FOLL members help children select a free book for their home libraries.



Pictured: Marie Hutchinson (volunteer)

May the 4th Be With You is a fun event for introducing parents and children to the Library. In 2019, 149 attended this event. FOLL paid for the "Star Wars character" actors and provided a free "Star Wars themed" book for each family.

Author Events



Pictured: Fran Neves, Linda Derosier and Mary Nader with author, R. Franklin James

Author events are an opportunity for the community to meet writers and hear about their craft. In 2019, the Library held 12 author events attended by over 400 adults. Visiting authors included:

- Todd Berg
- Claire Booth
- Matt Coyle
- R. Franklin James
- Linda Townsdin

FOLL supported the author events by providing light refreshments and having its members greet attendees.

Library's Collection

The Library provides our community with the most current books, media and other resources. Each year, FOLL helps the Library by purchasing children's books for the younger patrons and large print books and audio books to ensure our senior patrons, especially those with impaired vision, have access to the latest materials. In 2019, FOLL helped the Library update its collection with the purchase of new technology books.



Online Learning

Patrons can access online information and help anywhere from their own electronic devices with a WiFi connection. Annually, FOLL purchases **EBSCO Host** which provides patrons with multiple resources, including Novelist, Consumer Health Complete, and Legal Information Reference Center. FOLL also purchases **Brainfuse**, which provides tutoring in virtually every subject and access to expert coaches for every stage of a job search. In 2019, FOLL began paying for **Gale Testing and Reference Center**, a valuable online tool library patrons and students of all ages can use for standardized test preparation, researching and selecting college and graduate schools, finding tuition assistance, and exploring careers.



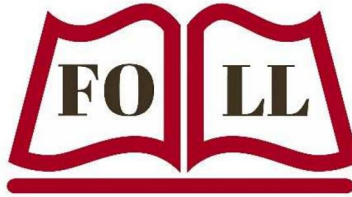
Library Elf



Library Elf is available for patrons to use to keep track of borrowed items and receive email reminders of the date that items need to be returned to the Library. Each year, FOLL pays for this service which helps ensure that items are returned to the Library and that Library patrons avoid late fees.

Facilities

The Library's Willow Room is a community space that is ideal for large meetings or mid-sized events. In 2019, FOLL purchased a wireless microphone for use at author visits and other Library events held in the Willow Room. FOLL also purchased a driveway sign and two walkway signs for promoting Library events. The City will be installing the signs in 2020.



Friends of the Lincoln Public Library

Message from the FOLL President

January 2020

Dear Friends,

Thank you, Lincoln community, for your generous support of Friends of the Lincoln Public Library (FOLL). FOLL members and donors contributed over \$36,000 this past year. Lincoln business and nonprofit organizations also showed their support with sponsorships, grants and donated products and services totaling \$18,250. With your support, the Lincoln Public Library can continue to offer our community a multitude of enriching programs, resources, and events for adults and children.

I would also like to express my gratitude to the many volunteers who contribute numerous hours of their time. Thank you, volunteers, who process returns, re-shelve thousands of books, help staff with children's programs, host author nights, and do so much more. Also, a BIG thanks to our volunteers who sort thousands of donated books and work the book sales. This year, their efforts raised a record \$20,000 for the Library and FOLL operations! And last but not least, I would like to thank our all-volunteer Board for a remarkable year. FOLL could not do what it does without each and every one of you.

FOLL is excited about the future with the opening of the new Twelve Bridges High School in Fall 2021. At that time, the Lincoln Public Library will become a community and school library. While change can be difficult, we are confident that the Library will continue to provide outstanding service to our entire community. And, we are ready for the new opportunities the change will provide to promote and support the Library in its expanded role.

I welcome anyone who is not a FOLL member to become one. Our membership numbers show the City of Lincoln officials that the community values the Library which is an essential part of our wonderful community.

Mary Nader

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January 28th, 2020

Dear Members of the Friends of the Lincoln Public Library,

Happy 2020! As we embark on not only a new year, but a new decade, I want to thank you for your amazing support of the Lincoln Public Library. Whether you joined the Friends for the first time this year or have been part of our Library family for years, your support is an essential investment in our community. Whether you've given of your time, your financial means, or both, you have demonstrated that you value the mission of a public library.

With your support, the Lincoln Public Library hosted 260 events for all ages that were attended by over 9600 residents; lent out over 206,000 items to our 227,000 visitors; and answered more than 15,000 questions in 2019. The funds and volunteers provided through the Friends of the Lincoln Library allow us to provide this truly impressive level of service to every patron who walks through our doors. While our events and resources are free at the point of service, they are the result of our community's investment in itself. Thank you for your part in investing thousands of dollars and thousands of hours of your time, enthusiasm, and expertise in this library, ensuring that the Lincoln Public Library can provide the resources and services that our community deserves.

2019 has been a wonderful end to the decade for both the Library and the Friends. I hope that as you read this report, you are filled with pride for all your amazing organization has accomplished so far, and are inspired by the possibilities of tomorrow.

With gratitude,

Kathryn Hunt

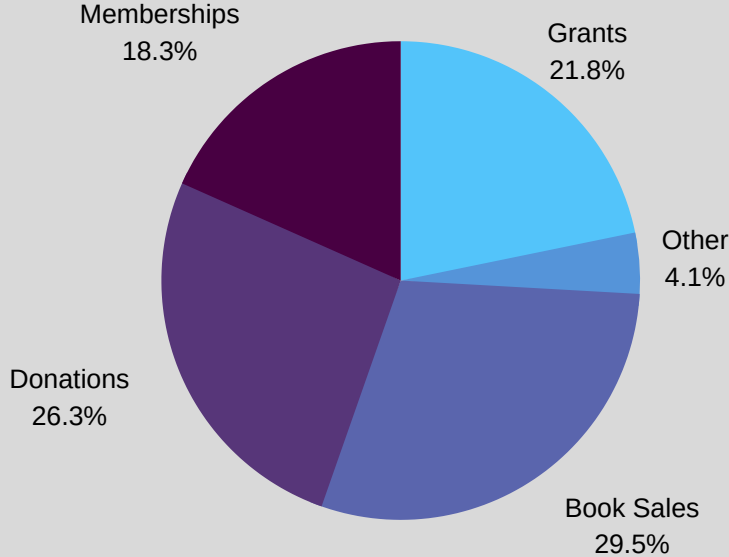
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2019 Receipts and Disbursements

Receipts \$74,138



Fund Balance -
December 31, 2018 \$139,672

Receipts:

Book Sales	\$20,186
Membership	\$18,208
Donations	\$18,009
Grants	\$14,918
Other	\$2,817

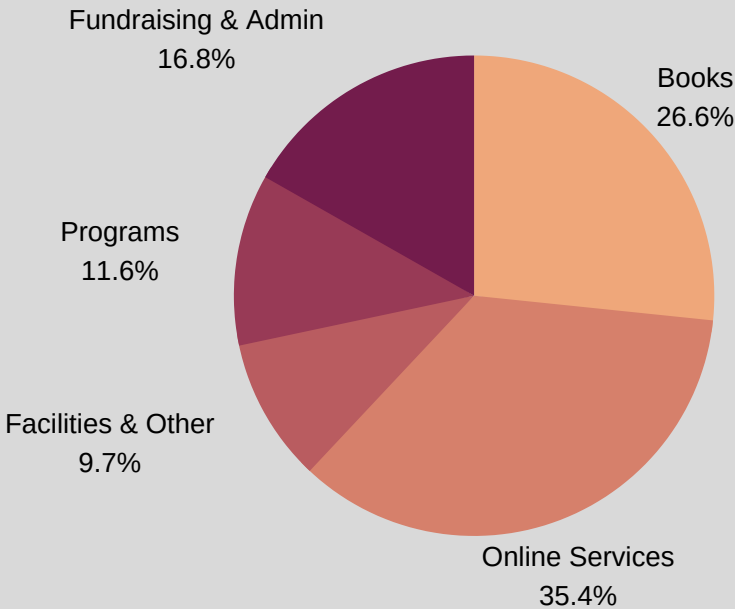
Disbursements:

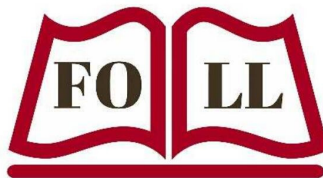
Online Services	\$21,463
Books	\$16,174
Programs	\$7,013
Facilities & Other	\$5,875
Fundraising & Admin	\$10,188

Increase on Stock Held: \$231

Fund Balance -
December 31, 2019 \$153,328

Disbursements \$60,713





Friends of the Lincoln Public Library

January 27, 2020

To: FOLL Board Members

From: Financial Review Committee

Subject: 2019 FOLL Financial Review Report

The Financial Review Committee met on January 27, 2020 at the Lincoln Public Library to review the financial year-end report for December 31, 2019 and bank statements and supporting documentation for the period January 1 through December 31, 2019. The review committee was comprised of the following FOLL Board members: Mary Nader, Jo Jones and Lynne Rossi.

FOLL's financial assets are currently maintained in three bank accounts: one checking account and two certificates of deposit. FOLL uses cash basis reporting. The Treasurer uses the software program Quicken to maintain the financial records. Revenue is recorded when the deposits are made to the bank. Expenses are recorded when checks are written or electronic fund transfers or other withdrawals are made from the bank. The Treasurer submits a monthly report to the FOLL board on fund balances and revenue and expenses.

Our review was limited to:

- Confirming that the beginning balances shown in the Quicken file reconciled to the beginning balance shown on the January 2019 statements provided by the financial institutions holding the FOLL assets.
- Confirming that the ending balances shown in the Quicken file reconciled to the beginning balance shown on the December 2019 statements provided by the financial institutions.
- Confirming that appropriate supporting documentation was on file for deposits made, checks written, electronic fund transfers, and other withdrawals from January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019.

We concluded that the December 31, 2019 year-end report accurately represents the financial status of FOLL. We found no irregularities in the records.

The Financial Review Committee wishes to express gratitude to Gloria Pilotti-Irey, FOLL Treasurer, for her thoroughness and organization of the FOLL records.

Mary Nader

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FOLL President

Jo Jones

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FOLL Vice President

Lynne Rossi

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Director Reports

Book Sales

Thanks to the hard work of our dedicated "back room" volunteers who sort books for both the daily sale and Saturday BIG book sales, along with the additional volunteers who come to help at the Saturday sales. The book sale crew generated \$20,168 in sales in 2019. This was an increase from 2018 of approximately 9 percent, 25 percent above our goal of \$15,000 for the year.

Our volunteers passed on donations of popular titles in hardback to the Library, thus saving the Library the expense of purchasing additional copies. We also worked with library staff on the Library's DVDs and audio books collection by using new and near-new donations to replace worn discs and expand the Library collection. In 2019, volunteers processed 486 audio books and 1,090 DVDs, valued at \$24,464.



Pictured: Sarah Carroz, Vi Kuka, Jan Voyles,

Our Family of Book Sale Volunteers

Karen Allen	Jeri Ferris	Joanne Jones	Dave Murad
Adrienne Barnard	Maggi Forte	Bob Jones	Fran Neves
Lew Barnard	Sharon Gorley	Joanne Keim	Joann Patterson
Rosemary Bryan	Tom Gorley	Lorna Keith	Paul Radcliffe
Cyrenna Burgess	Tina Gray	Vi Kuka	Marian Reuter
Sarah Carroz	Bob Gray	Mary Ellen Loria	Rods & Relics
Emily Castiblanco	Jeff Greenberg	Marti Lowe	Lynne Rossi
Jennifer Castiblanco	Charlotte Grone	Nina Mazzo	Jan Voyles
Alice Dehner	Chuck Grone	Wanda Melilli	Dave Wofford
Linda Derosier	Susan Haas	Linda Morley	Sharon Wofford
Michael Derosier	Marie Hutchinson	Sally Murad	Carol Yelton

Community Outreach

FOLL conducts outreach activities to showcase the Lincoln Public Library and the diverse educational resources it offers to Lincoln and surrounding communities. To keep the community updated about Library programs and to emphasize that knowledge seeking is for every stage of life, FOLL participates in community organization meetings and events, local service group meetings and events, local government meetings, local residential expos and events for children. To encourage visits to the Library, FOLL hosted a popular, well attended open house and offered group tours of the Library. FOLL's outreach activities increased awareness of how community members of all ages can effectively utilize Library resources and enhanced member and donor contributions.



Pictured: Alice Dehner, Kathryn Hunt, Kathy Snelson and Sharon Gorley at Sun City Lincoln Hills Lifestyle Expo.



Pictured: Gloria Pilotti-Irey and Lorna Keith at Placer SPCA Barktoberfest.



Pictured: Linda Derosier conducting tour with Library Open House attendees.



Pictured: Kathryn Hunt and Linda Derosier with Rotary President, Caron Russell.

Family Movie Night

Family Movie Night continues to be a community favorite at the Lincoln Public Library. In 2019, the Library offered popular family-friendly films, such as *Toy Story 4* and *The Secret Life of Pets 2*. Over 800 adults and children attended Family Movie Night, with an average attendance of 75 per movie.

This year we said "goodbye" to Susan Hutchins. Susan, who moved to Arkansas, had been the Library staff responsible for Family Movie Night for many years. Now, we are pleased to have Amanda Toohey on board as the "staff host" of Family Movie Night.

Thank you to the Family Movie Night team for all you do to make Family Movie Night such an enjoyable experience for our community.

Roger Bryan

Rosemary Bryan

Alice Dehner

Dale McCoy

Wanda Melilli

Cindy Pulliam

Sue Smith



Pictured: Amanda Toohey (Library staff) with Alice Dehner (Family Movie Night Director)



Pictured: Movie goers selecting free books provided by FOLL

Family Movie Night has been very fortunate, with the help of volunteers Marie Hutchinson and Joann Patterson, to have an excellent selection of free books for the children who attend Family Movie Night. Marie and Joann help the children choose a book before the movie starts. Thank you, Marie and Joann.

Sadly, Alice Dehner retired as FOLL's Family Movie Night Director in February 2020. We greatly appreciate Alice's many years of service to FOLL and the Lincoln Public Library. We wish her all the best in her move to Oregon.

Grants

The Friends of the Lincoln Public Library were fortunate again this year to receive grants from two local Lincoln foundations, two fraternal organizations and one family trust. These grants totaled \$14,918.00! We are honored to receive these monies as they make it possible to continue our mission “to support and promote the Lincoln Public Library.” In partnership with Library staff, we strive to enhance the library experience for all library patrons and the Lincoln community, Western Placer Unified School District, Sierra College and greater Placer County.

Grants received in 2019:

Lincoln Hills Foundation	\$6,118	Large Print and Audio Books Wireless Microphone Unit for Willow Room
Westby-Hauser Family Foundation	\$5,000	"Where it is needed most"
Lincoln Rotary Club	\$1,000	Children’s books
Lincoln Host Lions Club	\$1,000	Family Movie Night License and Materials
Lincoln Community Foundation	\$1,800	Room Darkening Shades for Willow Room



Hospitality

The year 2019 was a busy year for Hospitality. FOLL hosted the Library Open House and 12 author events. Volunteers greeted attendees as they entered the Library and offered beverages and light food. The annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon was held in April hosted by FOLL and the Library staff.



Pictured: Open house refreshments and Volunteer Luncheon with Stephanie Salazar and other volunteers.

Membership

The number of FOLL members continued to grow over the past year.

2018	245 members
2019	322 members

These numbers represent a 31 percent increase in FOLL memberships.

In addition to the memberships, FOLL received donations from 11 business and nonprofit sponsors and many other families and individuals in our community, including Big Day of Giving donors.



Pictured: Linda Derosier at the Membership Campaign Lobby Table.

Patrons were informed about how membership dollars support many of the Library's offerings. Author nights and community events were also utilized to encourage memberships and provide awareness of Library programs and services. Thank you to all who continue to support the Library with your annual donations to FOLL.

Newsletter

The number of email subscribers to the FOLL monthly newsletter continues to grow.

December 2018	480 subscribers
December 2019	731 subscribers

We also have 18 subscribers who received a printed newsletter by postal mail. The printed newsletter is also available in the Library.

Thank you to our editors, Gloria Pilotti-Irey and Stephanie Salazar, for their diligent work on the newsletters. Also, thanks to Linda Morley, our photographer.



Website and Social Media

The FOLL website continued to be a great source for information about the Library and FOLL. The NEWS page kept members informed on recent FOLL activities and the EVENT page kept all website visitors up to date on upcoming Library events. Thank you Lynne Rossi and your assistant, Gloria Pilotti-Irey, for all the work you do to maintain the website.

2019 Major Contributors

Individual & Family Members

Publisher Level - \$500 or More

Kupcho-Hawksworth Family
Jerry & Karen Johnson
Stan & Mary Nader

Editor Level - \$200 to \$499

Quinton & Phyllis Brown	Jeri Chase Ferris	Helen Mackintosh
Carin & Robert Bryans	Jim & Gloria Irey	Katherine Markham
Carl & Alice Dehner	Eileen Hacker	Frank & Fran Neves
Bob & Mary Ann Dunn	Jae Kim	Wayne & Barbara Vineyard

Author Level - \$100 to \$199

Bob Adams	Wanda Dixon & Marilyn Joseph	Jerry & Gail Mohlenbrok
Karen Allen	Judith Doughty	Jacqueline Pogue
Cecil & Harriett Anderson	Susan Huch	Lynne Rossi
David & Jean Anderson	Elizabeth Jansen	John & Linda Russell
Bill & Nancie Attwater	Bob & Jo Jones	Shirley Russell
Carol Havens & Jessica Booth	Dan & Cheryl Karleskint	Michael & Kathleen Salli
Doug & Mary Brown	Michael & Joanne Keim	Ellen Schloenvogt
Cyrenna Burgess	Scott Leaman	Kathy Snelson
John & Sarah Carroz	Chris & Carol Love	Nancy & Larry Whitaker
John & Katie Christiansen	Nina Mazzo	Eugene & Gaye Wytrykus
Richard & Judith Clemensen	Ralph & Donna McCulloch	

Businesses & Nonprofit Organizations - \$100 or More

A Pets World	Lincoln Summerset ALM
Agency Management Resource Group	Mane Productions
California Foundation for Stronger Communities	Old Town Pizza
Consolidated Communications Foundation CA	Professor Rockola
Fiddyment Farms	Raceday Cycle & Multisport
Huber Property Management, Inc	Richland Communities
Jensen Smith CPAs	Recology Inc.
Lincoln Area Chamber of Commerce	Robertson Law Group
Lincoln Gun Exchange	Rods N Relics
Lincoln Hills Golf Club	

Donors - \$100 or More

Joan Rouse	Sun City Lincoln Hills Village 4
Maureen Peters	Franklin & Pauline Watson
Daniel & Juanita Simmons	

2019 Board and Committees

2019 Board of Directors

Officers

President	Mary Nader
Vice President	Fran Neves
Secretary	Jeri Chase Ferris
Treasurer	Gloria Pilotti-Irey

Directors

Book Sales	Sharon Gorley
Community Outreach	Kathy Snelson
Family Movie Night	Alice Dehner
Grants	Linda Derosier
Publicity	Jo Jones
Website & Social Media	Lynne Rossi

The following Board positions were vacant during 2019:
Membership Director, Newsletter Director and Hospitality Director

2019 Committees

Open House/Big Day of Giving Committee:

Gloria Pilotti-Irey (Chair), Jeri Chase Ferris, Linda Derosier, and Cindy Pulliam

Financial Review Committee:

Mary Nader, Jo Jones and Lynne Rossi

Membership Campaign Committee:

Gloria Pilotti-Irey (Chair), Mary Nader, Sharon Gorley, and Linda Derosier

Strategic Planning Committee:

Gloria Pilotti-Irey (Chair), Jeri Chase Ferris, Linda Derosier, Vi Kuka and Mary Nader

Communications Committee:

Kathy Snelson (Chair), Linda Derosier, Sharon Gorley, Dale McCoy, Mary Nader and Lynne Rossi

Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon Committee:

Alice Dehner (Chair), Phyllis Brown (Library Volunteer Coordinator) and Sam Schlafer (staff)



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