

# The BOOKMARK



SPRING 2019

## Friends of Lubbock Public Library

FOL is a non-profit organization devoting its members' time and efforts to raising funds for the Lubbock Public Library.

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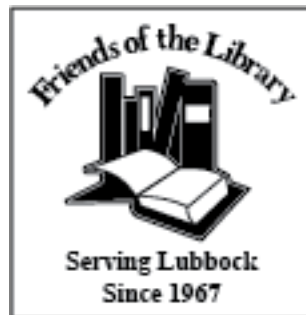
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## Lubbock FOL Annual Meeting



Sunday, April 14, 2019

**Mahon Library Community Room**

Meeting at 2:30 pm – Speaker at 3:00 pm

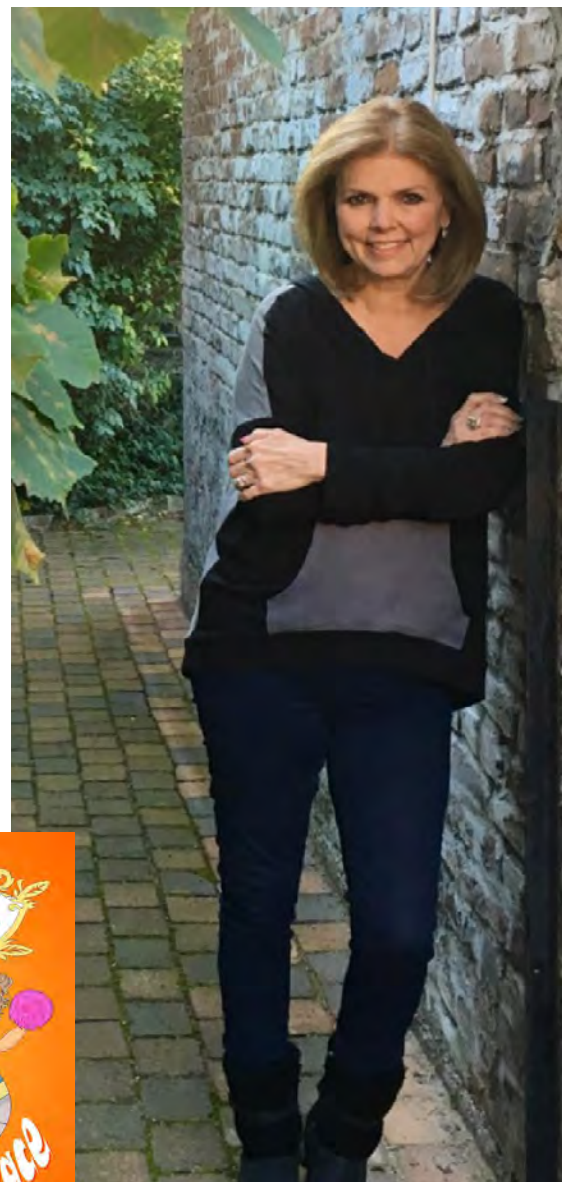
Guest Speaker

**Karin McCay**

longtime KCBD news  
co-anchor and author of the

***Magic Mommy  
Stories***

series of children's books



**FOL memberships are  
available at the door.**

# Thank You

A Special  
Thank You to:

United Supermarkets, for donating paper bags and providing a drop off location at Frankford and 82nd St.

Bolton Oil for donating boxes.

All of our wonderful patrons who donate items for us to sell. Without you we wouldn't exist!



## Regular Volunteer Hours

Tues.: 2pm-8pm  
Wed.: 9am-1pm  
Thurs.: 9am-1pm  
Fri.: 9am-1pm  
Sat.: 9am-3pm

## From the President...

by Desiree Freyburger

I admit it, I am often afraid to turn on the news these days. In an increasingly negative and confrontational society, I find myself incredibly grateful to live in Lubbock. Not only have we been voted the friendliest city with the best commute, we are also blessed with an ever growing arts and cultural community.

And to make our city even more wonderful, I truly believe we have the most dedicated and productive Friends of the Library organization that I've ever heard of. With 176 full time volunteers (who provided over 33,000 hours of hard work last year alone) and countless students and organizations who volunteer for our sales, we are able to impact our community not only by providing fabulous books at amazingly low prices, but also donating all revenues directly back to our libraries. This has a tremendous impact on our community by providing a veritable cornucopia of free services and items to borrow!

American author Libba Bray once said, "The library card is a passport to wonders and miracles, glimpses into other lives, religions, experiences, the hopes and dreams and strivings of ALL human beings, and it is this passport that opens our eyes and our hearts to the world beyond our front doors, that is one of our best hopes against tyranny, xenophobia, hopelessness, despair, anarchy, and ignorance."

Summer is around the corner, and for many of us that means vacations and additional free time. Not only do I recommend getting and using a library card, don't forget to stop by our next sale in May to pick up some great books to enjoy on those lazy summer afternoons.

I also recommend finding some way to give back to others and help our society rekindle its hope and optimism in humanity. Volunteering with Friends of the Library is a great way to do both. We can make a difference in the world around us--come join us! And if you're still afraid to turn on the news, pick up a book instead.



We accidentally omitted one name from the list of 2018 Volunteer Hours in the last newsletter. Gina McCasland had 450 hours in 2018.

## Book donations are welcome!

Donations of books (less than 10 boxes) can be made **anytime** at the following free-standing huts:

**Groves Branch Library**  
5520 19th St.

**Godeke Branch Library**  
5034 Frankford Ave.

**United Supermarket**  
8010 Frankford Ave.

There are also yellow donation bins inside the door at the following Library branches:

**Mahon**, 1306 19th St.

**Groves**, 5520 19th St.

**Patterson**, 1836 Parkway Dr.

In making donations to the sheds, boxed and bagged books are appreciated. The books arrive in better shape and hold their value for resale.

## Large Donations

Please take large donations (more than 10 boxes) to Mahon Library, 1306 9th Street, during regular donation hours. If you have a large donation, **please call ahead**, (806) 775-2852, so we have volunteers available to assist.

### DONATION HOURS:

Tuesday	2-5pm
Wednesday	9am-12pm
Thursday	9am-12pm
Friday	9am-12pm
Saturday	9am-1pm

## From the Director of Operations...

by Lillian Arzaghi

### *Nuts and Bolts*

Don't miss the Annual Meeting on April 14th! One of our local celebrities, Karin McCay, is not only a newscaster and long-time co-anchor of the Children's Miracle Network Broadcast, but she is an author as well. She has published three children's books and readers are clamoring for more. We look forward to hearing her share her story with us!

New volunteers are always welcome to FOL and we work constantly to improve the volunteer experience. If you are a first-time volunteer, we now ask that you call ahead to make an appointment for orientation, so that your training is pleasant, comprehensive, and efficient. After orientation, you are welcome to come and go at your convenience to work during regular volunteer hours.

## From the Book Sale VPs...

by Loraine Oglesby  
and Louise Ramsay

### *FOL Spring Book Sale*

Our famous FOL Spring Book Sale is fast approaching — May 3 and 4, Friday and Saturday. All the fun and shopping takes place in the basement of the Mahon Library (next door to the Civic Center), 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., both days. Our shelves have been completely restocked since our last sale. You can't beat our prices ANYWHERE! \$1.00 for hardbacks and 50 cents for paperbacks. Better and Best books are slightly higher. A large selection of like-new books can be found in all areas!

We accept cash, checks, debit and credit cards. Bring your \$\$ and your long book list and clean us out! We would love it!

### *Food for Thought*

Always read stuff that will look good if you should die in the middle of it.

## Slate of Officers

Presented by the Nominating Committee

Please join us at our annual meeting. The nominating committee presents the following nominees for election April 14:

Vice President - Loraine Oglesby  
Recording Secretary - Maxine Asmah  
Treasurer - Lynne Strickland  
Online Director - Dianne Ivy  
Membership Director - Alison Parks  
Special Events Director - Paula Shields

Each of these officers will serve for a 2-year term.  
Nominations may be made from the floor with the consent of the nominee.

## Join Today!

### Annual Membership:

- \$10 – Individual/Family
- \$5 – Student
- \$25 – Bronze Patron
- \$50 – Silver Patron
- \$75 – Gold Patron
- \$100 – Platinum Patron



### Benefits of Membership:

- Online Discount (25%)
- Entry to Members Only Sale Days
- Online Newsletter
- Email Announcements
- Special Speaker Events

## From the Online Sales Director...

by Susan Stack

We are rapidly approaching the end of the first quarter of 2019, and it is shaping up to be a great year.

As of the end of February, the Online section has increased sales for the same period in 2018 by over \$6,156, or 52%. What a wonderful Online team we have, and the support from the other section chairs and volunteers has been outstanding.

Online is hoping to continue this trend throughout 2019 and be able to report another fantastic 2019 in January!

Thank you for your continued support!

## From the Library Director...

by Stacy McKenzie

### *Friends Funds in Function!*

The funds raised by the FOL are already hard at work at our libraries! The charging station we purchased with FOL funds has no less than three phones/devices charging during most business hours. We expect to be requesting more of these charging stations in future budgets. We also purchased 19-inch craft tables so the little ones will have an easier time being independent during our crafting programs. We have two laptops on order to help with programming and with being able to “go mobile” to issue library cards remotely at all of our outreach events. Godeke has three new display units to increase circulation and to promote programming.

The African American History month celebration was a hit thanks to FOL funds! We had flowers and a cake, wonderful BBQ, and live entertainment for the reception. This year we were also able to provide a face painter and craft program for the kiddos who came to the event so that they felt included in the festivities. AND THAT’S NOT ALL! We are buying some new children’s furniture for Groves library, launching our Book Club in a Bag (Team Reads) next month, and we are sending three staff members (myself included) to professional conferences.

We are able to do so much more for our patrons and our community through the funds you raise. Thank you so much, and please keep up the good work! I will keep you posted on all the wonderful things you do for us!



### **Online Book Sales**

**abebooks.com**

[www.abebooks.com/friends-of-the-lubbock-public-library/1369090/sf](http://www.abebooks.com/friends-of-the-lubbock-public-library/1369090/sf)

**eBay.com**

<http://stores.ebay.com/friendsofthelubbocklibraries>

FOL members receive a 25% discount on any of our listings purchased directly through our online sales office!

## Volunteer!

Hours of Operation:

Mahon Library  
Basement

Tues.	2pm-8pm
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### Benefits of Volunteering:

- Unlimited purchases from Regular, Better, and Best Book Shelves
- Name Badge
- Volunteer Announcements
- Free Books from the Free Table and Unwanted-Book Carts



## From the Treasurer...

by Alison Parks

### *Dollars and Sense*

The Half Price Sale was a success! We appreciate each and every one of you who turned out for it.

We are now operating in the new 2019 budget. This year we have already paid for the annual Lease Book Plan for our library system, and 75% of the cost of a new CD repair and cleaning machine. We have also bought over \$10,000 worth of e-books and audio books so far this year. Our total 2019 budget for the library is \$191,514. This includes two grants we have received totaling over \$48,000. We take advantage of every opportunity to raise the level of our library's service to the public.

These projects are why we work so hard at the FOL. Each of these projects helps further the mission of the library system of Lubbock, and the general literacy of our children and community.

Now it's time for our 2019 Spring Sale. We have cleared the shelves and filled them with new items. Come find the perfect books for your summer reading list.

It just makes sense to spend your book-buying dollars with the Friends of the Lubbock Public Library. Thank you for your continued support of our mission. See you at the sale!

### *Save the dates!*

- Spring Book Sale: May 3-4, 9:00am to 5:00pm, open to the public.
- Fall Book Sale: Sept. 20-21. Friday the 20th is "Members Only"; Saturday the 21st is open to the public. Hours on both days are 9:00am to 5:00pm.
- Winter Book Sale: Dec. 6-7, 9:00am to 5:00pm, open to the public.
- Half-Price Book Sale: Jan. 10-11, 2020, 9:00am to 5:00pm, open to the public.

You are invited to the  
**Friends of the Lubbock Public Library**

# Spring BOOK SALE

Friends of the Library



Serving Lubbock  
Since 1967

**Friday–Saturday,  
May 3–4, 9 am–5 pm**  
*Open to the Public*

**Mahon Library Basement  
1306 9th St., Downtown Lubbock**

*Cash, checks, credit and  
debit cards accepted.*



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## Membership Form

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to volunteer. (Circle one) — yes / no

Annual Membership Level (Circle one):

- \$10 - Individual/Family
- \$5 - Student
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### OFFICE USE ONLY

Paid by:

- Cash
- Check # \_\_\_\_\_
- Credit Card

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Received by \_\_\_\_\_

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