

# The BOOKMARK



September 2017

## 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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**Online Book Sales**  
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FOL members receive a 25% discount on any of our listings purchased directly through our online sales office!

**Friends of the Lubbock Library**

## Fall Sale

**September 22 - 25, 2017**  
**Mahon Library Basement**  
**1306 9th Street, Lubbock**

**Friday, 9/22: 9 – 5**

**Members Only**

**Saturday, 9/23: 9 – 5**

**Open to Public**

**Sunday, 9/24: 1 – 4**

**Open to Public**

**Monday, 9/25: 3 – 7**

**Open to Public**



*Thank  
You*

### A Special Thank You to:

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

Bolton Oil for donating  
boxes.

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

## Director of Special Events By Kim Gilbreath

Dear FOL members:

Can you believe FOL has been present in Lubbock for 50 years? We are proud to have been serving the Lubbock area libraries that long. Help us celebrate our 50th Anniversary. We have so many exciting events coming up this fall.

In preparation for welcoming best selling author, journalist and public speaker, Jessica Fellowes (best known as the author of the official companion books to the renowned PBS series, Downton Abbey), please join us for a special Downton Abbey screening on Thursday, September 21 at 7:00 pm at the Cactus Theater. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Stay tuned and watch your email for an invitation. Admission to this screening is free. Ms. Fellowes will be appearing in person in Lubbock in October (see below.)

Next, enjoy the 50th Annual Fall Book Sale with thousands of newly sorted books. The sale runs from September 22nd through the 25th.

Then, there is an opportunity for you to join us in meeting Ms. Fellowes in a more exclusive setting. "An Evening with Jessica Fellowes" dinner gala will be held Saturday, October 7th. Help us sponsor a table by emailing for information to [events@lubbockfol.org](mailto:events@lubbockfol.org).

Finally, Ms. Fellowes will speak Sunday, October 8th at 3:00 pm at the Lubbock Municipal Auditorium. Tickets are available for purchase via Select-A-Seat. Since you are a member, you will receive a discount! Use code FOL50 during checkout.

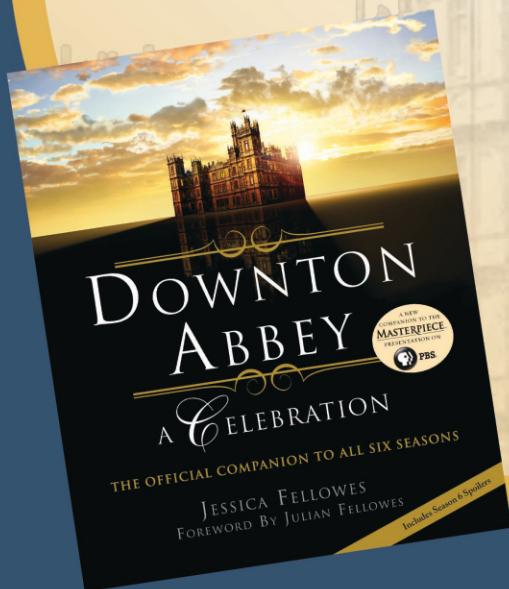
Grab your friends and family members and come help us celebrate our 50th Anniversary at one or all of these great events.



*In Celebration of the 50th Anniversary,  
Friends of The Lubbock Public Library, Inc.*

PRESENTS

# Real Life Inspiration *for* DOWNTON ABBEY



A public talk by  
British author  
Jessica Fellowes

Sunday, October 8, 2017, 3:00 p.m.  
Lubbock Municipal Auditorium

Tickets available August 28, 2017 (\$5-\$30)

Via Select-A-Seat (806) 770-2000

Books available to purchase at the event | [lubbockfol.org](http://lubbockfol.org)



Wayland Baptist University  
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COME HOME TO  
**DOWNTON ABBEY**

FREE SCREENING OF THE BEGINNING  
**CACTUS THEATER**

**SEPTEMBER 21ST 7PM**



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## From the Book Sale

By Carla Moore

The summer is winding down, and we are doing the last needed things to be ready for the Fall Sale.

Friday, September 22nd, is MEMBERS ONLY, from 9 am to 5 pm. Memberships may be purchased or renewed at the door. Remember, we now take credit and debit cards. Saturday, September 23, 9 -5 , Sunday , September 24th, 1 - 4, and Monday, September 25th, 3 -7, are all open to the public.

For Volunteers, sorting ends Tuesday, September 5 and resumes on Saturday, September 30.

The Kris Kringle Sale will be December 1 - 2.

Be sure to pick up a bookmark with important dates .

See you Soon, Carla Moore VP

## From the President

By Tony Kite

There are always ups and downs in life. On the upside, we are excited about what all has happened to FOL in the last few months. Book donations continue at a breakneck pace, the sorting/sale floor has been hopping, and our dedicated and newest volunteers have been working hard to get everything ready for the upcoming sale. We are eager to see you there.

On the downside, we are sorry for the loss of Nanilea Lovell and "Pappy" Vestal Yeats. Nanilea was an avid reader and strong supporter of the Friends of the Library. Donations in her memory to the FOL have been coming in and are gratefully acknowledged; we appreciate the family's request in this way. Pappy was former President of FOL and dedicated volunteer continuing to come in and help as he was able until he was 97 years old. He is missed.

In August we also lost Charlie Weed. Charlie & Elaine's contribution to the FOL has always been significant and appreciated. Charlie was among the first to embrace our online sales processes. Our condolences go to the families of each of these good Friends.

We are thankful for the ups and downs that remind us how precious life is and the many ways we are touching lives.



FOL welcomes donations at all libraries and at three sheds throughout Lubbock. These bins and sheds, however are not quite capable of handling large donations. If you have a large donation, it will be welcomed at the Mahon basement, during regular volunteer working hours. If you call ahead, we can be sure to have someone to assist you.

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

**Shop the Bookstore!**  
Mahon Library  
Basement  
Saturdays  
10 AM – 2 PM

## From the Director of Operations *By Lillian Arzaghi*

My thanks to all of you who returned your FOL survey. The Vision Committee has made several recommendations to the board as a result of the survey. Those recommendations will be evident revisions to the Policy and Procedure Manual now under way.

One result of the survey is an expansion of volunteer work hours. Our new volunteer operating hours are now in trial phase. Please take advantage of these hours if they are convenient to you. The new hours are:

Tuesday: 2 PM – 8 PM  
Wednesday: 9 AM – 3 PM  
Thursday: 9 AM – 3 PM  
Friday: 9 AM – 3 PM  
Saturday: 9 AM – 3 PM

Another result of the survey is an emphasis on communication. They board will endeavor to use announcements, bulletin boards, flyers, emails, Facebook, and the website to keep our members better informed.

I commend the Vision Committee the many hours of work they have contributed to making FOL better than ever in its 50th year!

## From the Treasurer

*By Alison Parks*

### Dollars and Sense

Our 50th Anniversary Sale was a great success and we thank everyone who worked the sale, attended the sale and purchased items at the sale. We couldn't do our work for the benefit of the library without all of you! It was mentioned in the Vision Survey, by several of you, that you would like to hear more about how we spend all those dollars we work for. Makes sense to me!

Just a few of the items we provide for the Lubbock Public Library, and all its locations, are: sponsorship of "Make Kids Count", a literacy-promoting page in the Lubbock A-J (\$5,200 per year); the Lease Book Program to keep up-to-date books on the shelves (\$38,709 this year); new shelving and equipment maintenance (\$10,700 this year); ten new laptops for classes (at Groves this year for \$6,000); and a new toddler's program called "1,000 Books Before Kindergarten" (\$1,800 this year.) These are just a sampling of the items we pay from our sales proceeds. I'll tell you about some more in the next issue of the Bookmark.

It just makes sense to spend your book-buying dollars at the Friends of the Lubbock Public Library.

See you at the Fall Sale!

## 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 Saturday Bookstore
- Entry to Members Only Sale
- Online Newsletter
- Email Announcements
- Free Books from the Free Table and Waste Carts

## Volunteer!

Hours of Operation:  
Mahon Library Basement  
Tuesday:  
2 PM – 8 PM  
Wednesday:  
9 AM- 3 PM  
Thursday:  
9 AM- 3 PM  
Friday:  
9 AM- 3 PM  
Saturday:  
9 AM – 3 PM

### Benefits of Volunteering:

- (After 40 hours)
- Unlimited purchases from Regular, Better, and Best Book Shelves
  - Name Badge
  - Volunteer Announcements

## From the Online Director By Susan Stack

Online had a very busy July and August. In mid-July Half.com informed us that they would be closing for business effective August 31. That meant that we were left scrambling to determine where to move our 4,000+ books in that inventory. The decision was made that since we already marketed some of our items on eBay, and their fees were competitive with others, we would move off the Half.com platform to eBay. On August 14, the last of the inventory was successfully converted to eBay. Another challenge for those who work with our Online inventory was learning a new process to load items to the new application. The move to eBay appears to be a positive, with July and August sales increasing significantly and text books being purchased by students returning to the classroom.

We now have two venues for Online, Abe which has been used since 2002 and eBay.

As of end of August, year to date Online has generated \$45,241 which is slightly down from 2016, but sales in July and August have been very strong. Online should finish the year as a strong contributor to FOL.

See you at the SALE!

## SAVE THE DATE



### Kris Kringle Sale

December 1-2, 2017

Friday, 12/1: 9 – 5

Open to Public

Saturday, 12/2: 9 – 5

Open to Public



Remember the Bookstore is open on Saturdays from 10 AM to 2 PM. There are of course exceptions. We are closed the Saturday before the sale to give our volunteers time to put those finishing touches before the sale. We continue to place books in the bookstore and remember you may request a book. When we find it we will notify you. Looking forward to seeing you at the sale.

The Bookstore Underground

## **Make the most of your FOL membership!**

Your FOL membership is about more than just "Members Only" sales. Your annual membership also includes a subscription to the newsletter, a vote at the FOL annual meeting each April, and a chance to join the other Friends who volunteer their time and efforts to coordinate our book sales both in Lubbock and online. So keep your membership current and join the fun with FOL!



**Serving Lubbock  
Since 1967**

## **Membership Form**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to volunteer – yes/no

### **Annual Membership Level (Please circle one)**

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

Paid by:

Cash

Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer's Initials \_\_\_\_\_

Please return form to:

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