

# **OLLF Newsletter – Summer 2024**

### From the President:

**Proposed city budget** – the interim city manager has presented her proposed city budget. To meet a \$38 million budget deficit, the Dallas Public Library (DPL) system share of the cuts is about \$1.8 million. To meet that cut the DPL leadership have proposed closing the Skillman Southwestern branch, eliminating programming staff and eliminating portable WI-FI (hot spot) equipment.

This summer, we renewed the subscription to BookPage for another year for 50 copies a month. Per staff request, we our holding off spending any additional funds for books or other materials until after the start of the new Fiscal Year on Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>.

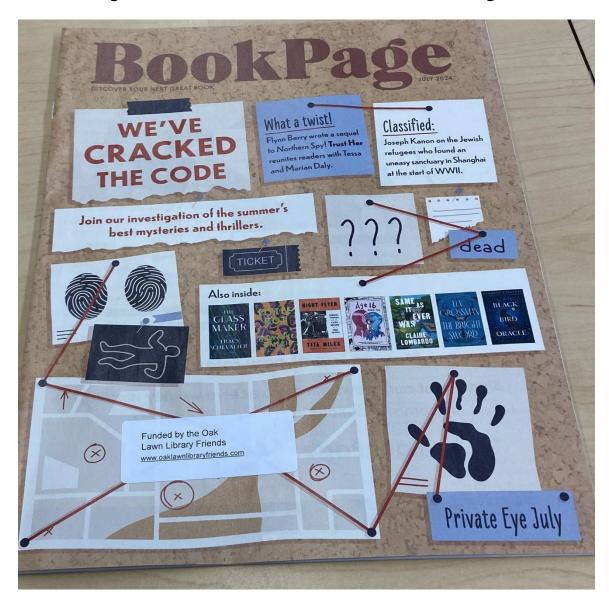
Our organization will again be participating in the North Texas Day of Giving 2024. The date for this event is September 19, 2024. I will send out a separate letter about this important fundraiser highlighting some of our funded projects in the past year. We have been able to enhance our library services thanks to this extra money.

Finally, I encourage you to become a member of the Oak Lawn Library Friends (OLLF). You can join online at the Oak Lawn Library Friends website at <a href="https://oaklawnlibraryfriends.com">https://oaklawnlibraryfriends.com</a>

Also, we are seeking volunteers to be a member of the OLLF board. We meet about 6 times a year during the week to meet with library staff and see where we can fill in the gaps where city funds aren't available.

View our online calendar at dallaslibrary.org/events

We continue to fund a subscription to BookPage for 50 copies a month. This magazine has news on the newest books coming out.



Our website currently has 4,602 author pages. It covers authors new and old with author biographies and books in order of publication. It is updated with new authors on a weekly basis.

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Books read by the Novel Discussion Book Club in 2024 with links to author pages where available:

January 2024 - The Book of Lost Names by Kristin Harmel

February 2024 - Dolphin Junction by Mick Herron

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March 2024 - Trace Elements by Donna Leon

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April 2024 - Stiff by Mary Roach

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May 2024- Vera Wong's Unsolicited Advice for Murder by Jesse Q. Sutanto

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June 2024 - Though the Heavens Fall" A Mystery by Anne Emery

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July 2024 - The Four Winds by Kristin Hannah

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August 2024 - The Secrets we Kept by Lara Prescott

### **Shop Kroger & Benefit the Library**

**You must re-enroll starting August 1**<sup>st</sup> **each year.** If you have a Kroger Care card, link your card to number # 41560 and you will benefit the Oak Lawn Library Friends every time you shop at Kroger.

### **Upcoming Fall Events**

#### For Adults:

- Intermediate Sewing: Pet Shirt & Bandanas: September 14, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
- Art in the Style of... Frida Kahlo: September 26, 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM
- Pumpkins with Pizazz Demonstration by Roseann Ferguson with the DCMGA: October 12, 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM

#### For Kids:

- Huichol Style Painting with Yarn: September 5, 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM
- Bilingual Storytime: Every Friday in September, 10:30 AM
- Bilingual Evening Storytime: Bimonthly, September 12 & 26, 6:00 PM to 6:30 PM
- Music and Movement: Every 3rd Saturday of the Month, September 21, 10:00 AM to 10:30 AM
- Science Experiment Saturdays: Monthly, September 21, 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

### For the Whole Family:

- Our 3rd Annual Mini Mercado: October 5, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
- Howl-O-Ween Paws and Pals Parade at Union Coffee House at 3705 Cedar Springs Road Dallas 75219: October 26, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

## Membership for the Oak Lawn Library Friends

In response to requests by current members, we are adding a new membership for your pets. You can get a membership for your bird, cat, dog, fish or any other pet in your household. The cost is \$10 a year. As a bonus, you can send a photo of your pet to be displayed on the OLLF website.

All funds raised from pet memberships will be set aside to fund pet programming and pet related books for the library.

## Join the Oak Lawn Library Friends

Membership is quick, easy, affordable, and now ONLINE!

Visit our webpage <a href="https://oaklawnlibraryfriends.com/">https://oaklawnlibraryfriends.com/</a> to join online. Use this link to go to the membership page: <a href="https://oaklawnlibraryfriends.com/membership-page/">https://oaklawnlibraryfriends.com/membership-page/</a> To become a member, scroll down the page, take note of the price of your membership level, and click the yellow donate button. You can also use a downloadable <a href="editable PDF form">editable PDF form</a> to print a copy to mail or hand deliver to the library with your check.



# Oak Lawn Library Friends Membership Form

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City, Zip			Home Ph	one	
<b>Email Address</b>					
Membership Status (please check one)					
Student/Senior \$6					
Pet Membership \$10					
Sustaining \$20		\$20			
Household		\$25			
Non-profit \$		\$50			
Close Friend \$75		\$75			
Corporate \$250		\$250			
Other					
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