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August 2019

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## Welcome Back!



I hope you have enjoyed your summer and are ready to begin our new Friends of the Rockwall County Library Club Year! The Board worked energetically through the summer to plan a sensational year for our members and the Library. Our kick-off General Meeting and Luncheon is Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, and it will feature well-known newspaper journalist, playwright, and author, Dave Lieber, talking about his 8<sup>th</sup> and newest book, *Amon! The Ultimate Texan: The Amon Carter Story*. Be sure to come and hear Dave talk about this legendary Texas powerhouse in a fun way that only Dave can do! This is the first in a line-up of fantastic programs and fundraisers planned throughout the year, and you will want to attend all of them.

Thank you to all of the talented and dedicated “Friends” who stepped up to serve as officers, committee chairmen, committee members, and library volunteers. Friends of the Library is successful because of you, the awesome members who support our organization. The money we raise each year through our fundraising activities is donated to the Library to benefit and enhance the Library and Literacy Center Programs. I hope you will make it a priority to attend all of our meetings and fundraisers and connect with others who share a love for the Library and are dedicated to help make our library the best it can be.

Thank you for your continued support of Friends. People like you make a difference, and FRIENDS MAKES A DIFFERENCE! It is a joy to be a part of this organization, and I hope you have a wonderful year and enjoy all that Friends has to offer.

Looking forward to seeing you on September 10<sup>th</sup>. Come and bring a friend!

Nancy Barnett

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## 2019-2020 Friends Board

**President:** Nancy Barnett  
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**1<sup>st</sup> VP Programs:** Jan Buie & Becky Cecil  
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**4<sup>th</sup> VP Business Membership:** Kathy Melston  
**5<sup>th</sup> VP Communication:** Stephanie Milberger  
**Secretary:** Judy Buffington & Lea Carlson  
**Treasurer:** Karen Frederick  
**Past President:** Lynette Coughlin  
**Parliamentarian:** Kathleen Broze

## Membership Update

Please welcome our new "Friends"! We're grateful to those who renewed their membership for 2019-2020.

Did you forget to renew?  
 Pick up a membership form at the Library or visit [our website](#) today!

## Yearbook

2019-2020 Yearbook pages will be available for pick-up at the September and October meetings. Yearbook binders will also be available for new members.

If you're unable to attend the meetings, you may pick up your Friends Yearbook pages (or binders) at the Library's Circulation Desk.

Included in the Yearbook are: general meeting dates and special events; a message from Friends President Nancy Barnett; membership list; recognition of business partners; the new bylaws and standing rules, plus much more. Be sure to get your copy!

## Book Club

The Friends of the Rockwall County Library Book Club meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month; meet in the Library's lobby at 8:50 AM. There are no officers, bylaws, or rules – just a group of people that enjoy reading and discussing books. Join us anytime!



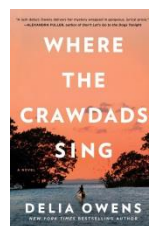
**Monday, September 16**

*Sold on a Monday* by Kristina McMorris



**Monday, October 21**

*Everything She Didn't Say*  
 by Jane Kirkpatrick



**Monday, November 18**

*Where the Crawdads Sing*  
 by Delia Owens

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## Upcoming Events & Fundraisers

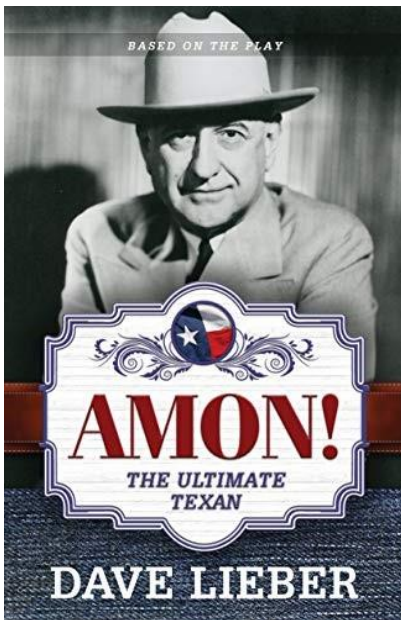
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### *AMON! The Ultimate Texan: The Amon Carter Story*

**Tuesday, September 10 at 11 AM**

General Meeting & Luncheon  
*featuring author & playwright Dave Lieber*



Don't miss this entertaining program! "Amon was one of the biggest personalities to walk the hills and plains of Texas. Most don't know his stories." In September, come hear **Dave Lieber** talk about the real stories behind this Texas legend in a fun way.

Dave will take us on a tour down memory lane about the life of the Ultimate Texan, Amon Carter. Amon was a man of many ventures: He created and was the owner of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. He was "Mr. Fort Worth" and "the King of West Texas", and his competitiveness and hatred for Dallas were well-known. One of Amon's famous sayings was, "Fort Worth is where the West begins and Dallas is where the East peters out." Dave wrote a play and a book about Amon and will reveal little known details of this legendary figure in Texas history.

### September's Lunch Menu:

- Mini Chicken Salad Croissants
- Fruit & Field Greens Salad
- Shrimp & Bow-tie Pasta Salad
- Grape Salad
- Lemon Orzo
- Lemon Blueberry Cake
- Strawberry Hibiscus Tea
- Coffee
- Water

*This month's delicious lunch courtesy of  
Ana's Catering.*

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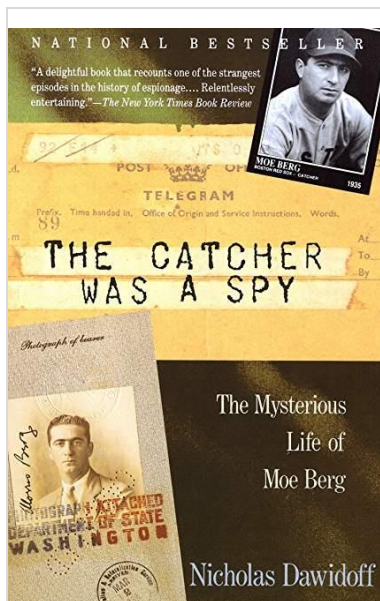
Reservations are **required\*** and are open until 5 PM on Tuesday, September 4.

A \$20 luncheon reservation includes meeting, program and lunch. A reservation for the meeting and program only is required, but at no charge. A donation for program attendance is appreciated.

To make a reservation and pay at the door, email Leigh Plagens: [cplagens65@aol.com](mailto:cplagens65@aol.com) or call (972) 771-8976

To register online, visit <https://friendsrockwall.com/events/>

*\*Unless a luncheon reservation is cancelled by 5 PM, Tuesday the week prior to meeting date, payment is required.*



### *The Catcher Was a Spy*

**Tuesday, October 8 at 11 AM**

Ruth Sears will share the story of Moe Berg, a major league baseball player, linguist, spy, and American hero, whose story was also translated to the silver screen in 2018.



### **National Friends of the Library Week**

**October 20-26**

During National Friends of the Library Week, let's make new Friends! We need your help at either (or both) of these events:

**Library:** We need Friends to staff the Friends' information table in the Library's lobby and invite incoming patrons to join our fantastic circle of Friends.



### **Chico's Fashion Show**

**Tuesday, November 12 at 11 AM**

It's our annual Chico's Fashion Show featuring the latest in holiday styles! Come see your Friends strut the holiday runway in lovely creations and accessories.

**PLEASE NOTE:** This is a special fundraising event and features boxed lunches and a raffle for a spa basket by Cate's Touch.

**Blaze Family Farm:** We need Friends to staff an information table at Blaze Family Farm's pumpkin patch.

To volunteer for a shift, sign-up sheets will be available at our September and October meetings.

Contact Cathy Boewe for prepaid reservations at [cathyboewe@gmail.com](mailto:cathyboewe@gmail.com) or (972) 400-9934

## Christmas Luncheon



The temperature is hot outside so cool off by thinking about Christmas - specifically, the FOL 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Luncheon! Co-chairs Nell Welborn, Pat Calhoun, and Kathleen Broze are already planning the luncheon on **December 10, 2019** at The Center at Rockwall CityPlace, (108 East Washington).

Friends will set up 30 large round dining tables, to which our hostesses will add their special touches with their favorite china, flatware, crystal, and centerpieces. Doors will open at 11 AM so attendees have time to see all the beautiful, uniquely decorated tables before the program begins at 11:30. A catered buffet lunch will be served at noon.

Paid reservations at \$25 each will be accepted at the Friends' September meeting. Checks payable to Friends of the Library are preferred but cash will be accepted. It will be helpful if checks are completed in advance or exact change is offered.

To make reservations, contact Kathleen Broze at [brkathking@aol.com](mailto:brkathking@aol.com) or (214) 497-2247

For more information about hosting a table, contact Pat Calhoun at [pat2792@att.net](mailto:pat2792@att.net) or (214) 738-7547, or Nell Welborn at [nwelborn@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nwelborn@sbcglobal.net) or (972) 722-3084

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### Giving Back

Each time you make a purchase at Kroger or Amazon, these vendors will donate a percentage of your total purchase to Friends.

#### **Kroger**

Use your Kroger Plus card to create or sign into your online account at [Kroger.com](http://Kroger.com). Under "Save", select "Community Rewards" and choose "Friends of the Rockwall County Library" (#80320). *Please note you must re-enroll each year.*

#### **Amazon**

Visit [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and select "Friends of the Rockwall County Public Library" as your charity. You do not need to re-enroll annually.

### Book Alcove

Located near the front desk in the Library, the Book Alcove stocks books, DVDs, and CDs that may be "purchased" by donation.

Here's how you can help:

- Bring your gently used books, DVDs and CDs to the Library to donate.
- Shop at the Alcove and donate generously for your selections.

To volunteer at the Book Alcove, email [info@friendsrockwall.com](mailto:info@friendsrockwall.com)

### Giving Tree

Looking for a way to honor and remember family and friends? Add a leaf to this beautiful permanent display in the Library! Businesses can purchase a leaf as a way to show support for the Library and its mission.

Visit the [Friends' donation page](#) for more information about the Giving Tree and donation options.

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