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## Dining Out Around Dripping Springs returns

The ever popular raffle featuring a package of gift certificates from many area restaurants is now in full swing. There will be two additional prizes, and the first ticket drawn will have their choice of one of the three prizes. The remaining two prizes will go to the second and third tickets drawn, and a fourth lucky ticket holder will receive a special bonus basket.

Tickets are a bargain, one for \$3, two for \$5, and 5 for \$10. They may be obtained at the Library front desk through December 14<sup>th</sup>, or visit our booth during Christmas on Mercer Street December 5<sup>th</sup>. The drawing for the prizes will be December 15<sup>th</sup>. Our thanks to the many local eateries that have generously supported the

raffle with gift certificates. We'd give you a list, but we are still adding restaurants at press time, so don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity.



Pictured left, Friends volunteers Dominique Levens, Karen Crowther, Bobbie Hentschel and Mary Claypool mug for the camera at 2014's Christmas On Mercer Street

## POURING OVER BOOKS - SAVE THE DATE SUNDAY, FEB 28, 2016

Although, due to our generous sponsors, this year's Pouring Over Books is already a resounding financial success, we still have yet to hold the event, which was postponed due to torrential rains. The new date is Sunday, February 28, 2016 so mark your calendars and plan to join us. Oklahoma's Poet Laureate (2014), poet and singer song writer Nathan Brown <http://www.brownlines.com/> will be our featured guest author and promises a fun-filled entertaining afternoon. Also featured will be a complementary wine selection by our own Wine Divas and other light refreshments.

Purchase your tickets at  
[www.mkt.com/fodsc1](http://www.mkt.com/fodsc1)

# Raffle Tickets on Sale Now!

**BUY YOUR  
TICKETS AT THE  
FRONT DESK OF  
THE LIBRARY  
TODAY!**



**3  
CHANCES  
TO WIN!**

3 Prizes to choose from, including an entire package of gift certificates for "meals for two" from many area restaurants! Plus, a bonus basket!

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE DRIPPING SPRINGS COMMUNITY LIBRARY!



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**Friends of the Dripping Springs Community Library**

**TICKETS  
ONLY**



Get your tickets at the library now through December 14th or come visit our booth at *Christmas on Mercer Street* December 5th.

DRAWING TO BE HELD DECEMBER 15, 2015 • WINNERS WILL BE NOTIFIED  
Dripping Springs Community Library • 501 Sportsplex Drive • Dripping Springs, TX 78620

**FRIENDS OF THE DRIPPING SPRINGS COMMUNITY LIBRARY**

## 'Tis the Season to be Baking!

All YOUR holiday favorites will be  
OUR favorites for:

**What: The Annual Bake Sale**  
**When: Saturday, Dec 5th**  
**Where: Christmas on Mercer Street**

Please bring your baked goods to the rear  
entrance of the library on Friday, December 4th,  
from 9am and 1 pm.

Feel free to visit with us while we wrap and  
organize all those wonderful cookies, loaf  
breads, cupcakes, and candy you all so  
generously donate, to help support your library!



**Bake 'em  
or  
buy 'em!**



An important part of Christmas on Mercer Street is our Holiday Bake Sale

Everybody can get into the act.

All it takes is to bake your favorite holiday treats and drop them by the library (rear entrance) on Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup> between 9am and 1pm.

You can hang around and help with the wrapping if you're so inclined. We'd love to have you.

And of course, for those culinary challenged among us, be sure and visit our booth at Christmas on Mercer Street on Saturday the 5<sup>th</sup>.

Either way, you'll be supporting the Library.

## President's message . . .

*"Not what we say about our blessings, but how we use them, is the true measure of our Thanksgiving."*

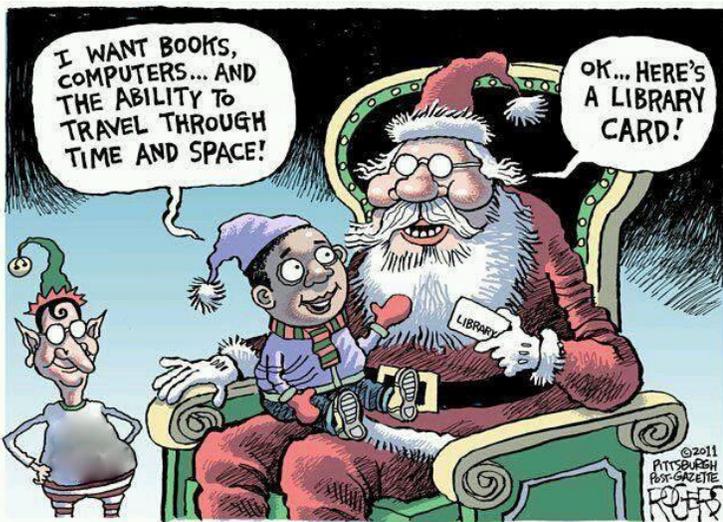
-W.T. Purkiser

With what are YOU blessed ? Time? Talent? Creativity? Inspiration? Family? Friends? Good health? Dependable transportation? Computer skills? People you can always count on when you're in a bind? At one time or another, we are all blessed with some or most of the above.

The Friends of the Dripping Springs Community Library are blessed with Friends members who support our efforts to assist the Library financially. The Friends are blessed with those who donate their time to help at Founder's Day and Christmas on Mercer St. The Friends are blessed with people who share those wonderful baking skills for the Annual Bake Sale. We are thankful for every one of you who give your attention, in some way, to our Mission to promote the library within our growing community.

In the coming year let's join together to make the most of this blessing we have called The Dripping Springs Community Library. We thank you for your efforts in 2015. We will need all your help again in 2016 to keep our library progressing as our community does.

Happy Thanksgiving Everyone!  
See you soon,  
Bobbie Hentschel, President



Cartoon by Rob Rogers. Reprinted from the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette.

Santa's Helper reminds everyone that your library card entitles you to much more than the ability to check out and read a book. Things like access to computers, ebooks, fun group activities and use of the expansive data base and research resources of the library system are provided at no charge to the library's card holders.

Dear library patron, it's that time of year again, and we earnestly solicit your continued support of the Friends of the Dripping Springs Community Library. With your help, we can continue to provide important discretionary funding for the Library. Simply select your level of support, follow the simple instructions and it is all so easy. You can also make a donation in honor of a family member or friend, or an *in memory of* gift, either being a wonderful way to honor a loved one at this time of year.



### Friends for More Than 30 Years

The Friends of the Library began in 1983 as a group of devoted volunteers, determined to see Dripping Springs have its own library. Fifteen years later, their hard work paid off when the Library opened in its current location. That same year, 1998, the *Friends of the Dripping Springs Community Library, Inc.* incorporated as a 501(c)3 nonprofit, with a mission to promote the Library's value to the community, encourage its use, and ensure its growth.

Today, Friends members continue to raise money for Library collections, programs and urgent needs; we volunteer at the Library; and we support civic events and projects. As we look to the future—and the ever-changing needs of our growing community—we invite you to join the Friends' efforts to keep the Library vital and relevant. Your membership donation directly benefits the library, and your volunteer time supports both the Library and our community. Join us and you'll enjoy the benefits of membership and the knowledge that you are supporting your community's valuable Library!

### About Your Friends Membership

All members receive the Friends e-newsletter (email address required), an invitation to our Annual Meeting, and names listed in appreciation, online and in print.

We offer Annual Memberships starting at \$25, and our Teen Membership is only \$10. Teens often volunteer for the Library and the Friends, and a membership is a great addition to a well-rounded resume. Our lifetime members (*Friends for Life*) are those donors who make a one-time contribution of \$2500 or more. Their names are inscribed on a plaque permanently located in the Library. In addition, we gratefully offer commemorative memberships, beginning at \$25, to honor or remember that special someone.

### Friends Annual Highlights

Every October, we put on a fundraising event (*Pouring Over Books*) and our members are always the first to get invitations. In November, we run a very popular raffle culminating in our famous bake sale at *Christmas on Mercer Street*. After the new year, the *Friends' Annual Meeting* features our annual report to members, board elections and the all-important check presentation to the Library. Our last big event each season is the *Spring Raffle* and *Operation Gratitude* table at *Founders Day*, where the public is invited to send messages of hope and appreciation to our military members who are stationed overseas.

Yes, I want to become a member of the *Friends of the Dripping Springs Community Library*.

New  Renewal

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

### Membership Level (check one)

- NEWBERY** Annual gift of \$25 or more
- NOBEL** Annual gift of \$50 or more
- PULITZER** Annual gift of \$100 or more
- CARNEGIE** Annual gift of \$200 or more
- FRIENDS FOR LIFE** One time gift of \$2,500 or more
- TEEN** Annual gift of \$10 or more
- DONATION IN HONOR/MEMORY**  
Annual gift of \$25 or more
  - I am making a donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in Memory of \_\_\_\_\_
  - I am making a donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

### Payment Information

Please make checks payable to: **Friends of DSCL**  
501 Sportsplex Drive, Dripping Springs, TX 78620

You can always drop off your membership donation when you visit the **Dripping Springs Community Library!**



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Website: [www.dscl.org/Friends](http://www.dscl.org/Friends)

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