



2012
Libraries
Southwest
Annual Author
Dinner



Tuesday, Oct. 16, 2012
7:00 p.m.

Pat's of Henderson

1500 Siebarth Dr. (off I-210)
Lake Charles, LA
337-439-6618

6:00 p.m. Cash Bar
7:00 .m. Dinner followed by
Lynda Carlberg Award
presentation and
Author Program

Tickets are \$30.00 each



Libraries Southwest

Libraries Southwest is a non-profit corporation of libraries, librarians, trustees, and individuals interested in the promotion and enhancement of libraries and library services in Southwest Louisiana.

Libraries Southwest institutional members are Allen, Beauregard, Calcasieu, Cameron, Evangeline, Jeff Davis, and Vernon Parish Libraries. McNeese State University and Northwestern University Library at Fort Polk Libraries, SOWELA Community Technical College and Calcasieu Parish School Libraries.

Lynda Carlberg Award

Lynda Carlberg was the former director of the Calcasieu Parish Library System, 1978 -1997. She was active in state, regional and national Library activities. She was the heart of Libraries Southwest.

The Carlberg award was established to honor the memory of a dear friend, and to honor special individuals for their contributions to Libraries.

Previous recipients of the Libraries Southwest Lynda Carlberg Award are:

Sallie Farrell, 1998
Minnie Lou Lynch, 1999
Tom Jaques, 2000
Joy Lowe, 2002
Ralph Boe, 2004
Joe Landrum, 2005
Gretchen Fairbanks, 2007
Sona Dombourian, 2009
Lyle Johnson, 2012



Rebecca Stark Nugent, author of *If the Devil Had A Wife*

After 13 years of research, interviews and writing that covered more than 450,000 documents, selecting an author's name for *If*



The Devil Had A Wife was simple for Rebecca Stark Nugent: use Frank Mills, the name her father was given at birth before he was adopted. After all, this was his story, not hers.

As you will learn, the book reflects the true story of her grandfather -- H. J. Lutch Stark -- and his fate after marrying a third time. Considered one of the richest men in the South, he was credited with naming the Texas Longhorns, building Memorial Stadium, and serving on the UT Board of Regents longer than anyone before or since.

This marks the first book for Nugent, a 64-year old grandmother who loves chocolate, cheers for the Texas Aggies, and admires those who tell the truth. She began her career as a newspaper reporter in Big Spring and taught high school journalism in Orange



Stark House

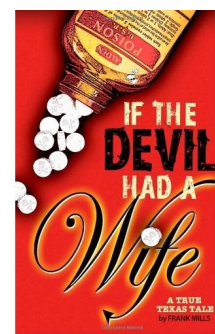
before serving more than 30 years as a public relations director in Texas. She received the 1998 Professional Achievement Award from the Texas School Public Relations Association and the 2009 Distinguished Service Award from the Highland Park High School Alumni Association.

More than 300 programs and publications under her direction have won state, regional and national awards. A graduate of Lutch Stark High School in Orange, she earned a journalism degree from Texas Woman's University and master's in Interdisciplinary Studies at the University of North Texas.

If The Devil Had A Wife's publisher selected it as the "showcase piece" for the 2010 BookExpo in New York City. It also was recognized by the Hollywood Book Festival as honorable mention in the non-fiction category. Additionally, Lamar University is using it as a textbook in English composition classes on its main campus in Beaumont, Texas.

If the Devil Had A Wife

Once upon a time. Happily ever after. Such are the classic promises of fairy tales. Yet in Texas we find a twist to the familiar storyline. In *If the Devil Had a Wife*, there is still the battle of Good vs. Evil, a beautiful maiden, a wealthy suitor, a kingdom of riches and the wicked witch, but any similarity with Cinderella and Snow White ends there. With the help of her life partner and an attorney (always necessary in these modern times), Nelda Stark executes a devious plan that elevates fraud and theft to a new high. A massive cover-up reaches into the Texas Attorney General's Office, stealing from not only the Stark family, but the federal and state governments.



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2012 Lynda Carlberg

Award Recipient

Lyle Johnson

Lyle Johnson is the former director of the Acadia Parish Library, 1976-2012.

Lyle was hired as Assistant Director of Pike-Amite Library System in McComb, Miss. in



1973. He was invited to join BETA PHI MU in 1975. He served as Chairman of the Southwest Region of the Mississippi Library Association in 1975.

Lyle has been active in state and regional library activities. He has served as 2nd Vice President of LLA, and Vice-Chairman Elect of the Public Library Association. He has served on the State Advisory Council on Libraries, Library Services & Construction Act Advisory Council, Current Issues Committee, and Chair of LLA Scholarship Committee, to name a few.

Winner of the Essae Mae Culver Award, 2010.

Lyle has always been helpful to others around the state in all matters pertaining to Library Service. He is known for his expertise in technological and legal matters pertaining to Library service.

His philosophy of Librarianship: "If we have failed in service, we have failed in all..."