

# ELF Insider



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## ELF Fundraising Campaign Nears Goal

Thanks to the support of the Eules community and the hard work and commitment of ELF Directors and Foundation members, the Eules Public Library will receive a unique blown-glass sculpture called "Fioriture di Chiarimento" or "Blooms of Enlightenment" (*Blooms*) in 2005. According to the artist David Keens, *Blooms* is "designed to evoke images of growing, blooming and floral elements."



This project was launched in December 2002 when ELF commissioned David Keens, an artist and professor at the University of Texas at Arlington, to develop this blown-glass sculpture. Based on the length of time to create this unique work of art and its cost - \$124,000 - ELF realized that it was going to take several years and a lot of hard work to realize this vision.

As always, the Eules community has been generous with their time and money. The \$20,000 downpayment to start *Blooms* was partially paid for with proceeds from Casino Night 2002. Since then, proceeds from Casino Night 2003 and Casino Night 2004 have also gone toward *Blooms*. Through these and other fundraising activities, individual and corporate donations, ELF is approximately \$10,000 away from the \$124,000 goal as of January 1, 2005 (see related story on page 2).

### 2004 Eules Library Foundation Board of Directors & Officers

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## Casino Night 2004 Raises \$17,000

ELF's Fifth Annual Casino Night was held on November 6, 2004 at Texas Star Center. Over 150 attendees played blackjack, poker and video poker and slot machines in addition to bidding on more than 120 silent auction and live auction packages. This year's event netted over \$17,000 toward the purchase of the *Blooms of Enlightenment* art project (see related story above and on page 2 or visit our web site at [www.euleslibraryfoundation.org](http://www.euleslibraryfoundation.org)).

Major sponsors were Methodist HEB Hospital, Star-Telegram and Chris Packard / McDonald's. Special thanks to all of our donors who sponsored the gaming tables or donated items to be included in the auctions. Your continued support each year has resulted in an event that the community enjoys each year in addition to raising funds for ELF projects.



*Live Auction items on display at Casino Night gave bidders a preview before bidding began.*

## Upcoming Events

ELF Board of Directors Meeting  
Thursday, February 24, 2005  
7:00 p.m. at Eules Public Library  
All ELF members invited.



ELF Board of Directors Meeting  
Thursday, March 17, 2005  
6:00 p.m. at Eules Public Library  
7:00 p.m. - Ikebana Flower Arranging  
Presented by  
Mary Lib Saleh, Mayor  
City of Eules



Master Works Series  
see calendar on page 4

Check the ELF website at  
[www.euleslibraryfoundation.org](http://www.euleslibraryfoundation.org) for a  
complete list of all scheduled meetings.  
Dates are subject to change.

## ELF Insider - Volume 5

We hope you enjoy this issue of the ELF Insider, a newsletter for Eules Library Foundation members. Our plans are to keep you up-to-date on the programs and activities of the Eules Library Foundation on a regular basis and let you know how you can become involved in helping us support the entire Eules community. We welcome your feedback. Visit our website at [www.euleslibraryfoundation.org](http://www.euleslibraryfoundation.org) or contact us through the library at 817-685-1679.

## Raising Funds for *Blooms*

In December 2002, ELF commissioned a unique piece of artwork to be created especially for the Eules Public Library. "Fioriture di Chiarimento" or "Blooms of Enlightenment," as this piece is called, consists of a series of blown-glass roundels linked together much as flowers on a vine. *Blooms* will be installed in the south bay window of the library in 2005.

Artist David Keens believes that "by exploring the library's educational resources or becoming exposed to other art objects on exhibition in the library, an individual can realize an increased sense of awareness, enlightenment, or expanded aesthetic vision. The 'blooming' glass forms [in *Blooms of Enlightenment*] represent this personal growth, illumination, or awareness."

In late 2003, ELF decided to give community members an opportunity to become a permanent part of *Blooms* with individual or corporate donations. In April 2004, ELF launched the *Blooms of Enlightenment Fundraising Campaign* via meetings with ELF Advisory Board members and an event hosted by Pete and Frances Allen at their home in Colleyville. On each of these occasions, attendees met Keens and saw a video depicting the blown-glass process. This video was produced by Phil Adams, who donated his time, equipment and expertise to make it possible for others to see this beautiful art process in action. ELF volunteers also created a brochure for distribution to potential donors.

All of this resulted in approximately \$23,000 in donations designated specifically for *Blooms* as of January 2005.

Following is a list of individuals or companies who have donated monies designated for *Blooms*. We would like to thank you for your support of this project and for your continued support of ELF. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact us via email at [admin@euleslibraryfoundation.org](mailto:admin@euleslibraryfoundation.org) or call Diane Porterfield at 817-267-2775.

## Blooms of Enlightenment Sponsors

### Distinguished Level (\$5,000 minimum)

Bill and Boyce Byers in honor of Willie Byers and  
The Kitchen Band

### Platinum Level (\$1,000 - \$4,999)

Pete and Frances Allen in honor of Katharine Allen  
Jean W. Boyle in honor of Mike McGehee  
Sandra Crowley in honor of Louise P. Crowley  
Friends of the Library  
Alex Horton  
Willie Mae McCormick  
Jimmy and Helen Payton  
Glenn and Diane Porterfield  
Craig and Laura Satterfield

### Silver Level (\$500 - \$749)

Phil and Lynn Adams  
Curtis and Barbara Brown in honor of Mildred R. Brown  
First National Bank Mid-Cities  
Betty Fuller  
The Goetz Family  
Karan Jasper in honor of William M. (Bill) Jasper  
Michael McGehee  
Charlie and Rose Miller  
The Honorable Carolyn and Dr. John Park  
JoAnn W. Rogers in honor of Lloyd R. Baldwin and Bill Jasper  
Tom and Susann Stover  
Glenn Walker Family  
Betty Yarbrough

### Bronze Level (\$100 - \$499)

Leila Khoury  
Maurice and Lillian Labelle in honor of Lloyd Robert Baldwin  
David and Veva Lou Massey  
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The Honorable Mary Lib and Ray Lib Saleh  
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### Friends (\$1 - \$99)

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Carol Sims  
Craig and Nelva Stricker in honor of William M. (Bill) Jasper  
Maurine Young

## The President's Corner

by Diane Porterfield, President

A new year dawns, the old year yawns.

We put 2004 to bed in fine fashion. As Frank Sinatra used to sing, "It was a very good year" - and indeed it was.



A few highlights of 2004:

- We established an Advisory Board comprised of high profile, local constituents to better enable ELF to obtain grant money.

- Our annual fund-raiser in November was a huge success - raising more money this year than in previous years.

- *Blooms of Enlightenment* glass art project is progressing nicely, and we anticipate installation this summer to coordinate with ELF's tenth anniversary in July. We have now raised all but about \$10,000 of the needed \$124,000 thanks to our fundraising efforts and generous private donations from many of our local citizenry.

It has been an honor to serve our community and be associated with such dedicated people. I look forward to an exciting 2005!

## ELF Mission Statement

The Eules Library Foundation's mission is to enhance the visibility and growth of the Eules Public Library through the purchase of public art and the support of programs and projects that will enable the Library to become the cultural center of Eules.

## ELF Float Wins First Place in Christmas Parade

On December 4, 2004, ELF Board members, family and friends participated in the Eules Christmas Parade. JoAnn Rogers, library administrator and ELF Board member, and her daughter Laura Denniston walked alongside the float greeting Eules citizens along with Karen Jasper, Sandy Mosser, Curtis Brown, Ashok Ponnambalam, and Laura Satterfield and her daughter Bethany. The crowd responded with cheers as the ELF float made its way along the parade route.

This year's float, entitled "Storytime at the Library," won first place in the non-commercial division. Sybil Baldwin, Heather Mosser, Stephanie Collins, Megan Morgan, Braden Thornton, Emily Groves, Sanjiu Ponnambalam, and Naresh Ponnambalam were riders on the float.

Special thanks to Craig Satterfield, who made the new ELF neon sign and donated it to the Foundation; and to Curtis Brown, who donated the new magnetic signs for use on the vehicle. These signs will continue to be used by ELF in the future. Owen Clark donated his trailer for the third consecutive year, and Classic Hummer of Grapevine donated the truck to pull the trailer. Without the efforts of these Foundation members and supporters, we would not be able to participate in this event each year. Thanks also to the Christmas Float committee (Curtis Brown, Karan Jasper, Sandy Mosser, Craig Satterfield, Adriane Weinstein, Richard Weinstein) for donating their time and talent to pull everything and everyone together.

## Eules Mayor to Offer Ikebana Class in March

Mark your calendar for March 17, 2005. Mayor Mary Lib Saleh, a First Degree Master of Ikebana, will teach a class in Japanese live flower arranging.

Mayor Saleh, a long-time supporter of the Eules Library Foundation, will make several arrangements, which she will make available to ELF. Join us at the library at 7:00 p.m. on March 17.

## My Jeweler Day Raises \$850 for ELF

On December 11, 2004, My Jeweler, located at the corner of 121 and Harwood, opened its doors to ELF. Roger and Lisa Prier, the owners, invited anyone interested in supporting ELF to do their Christmas shopping early and have 20 percent of the value of their purchase donated to ELF. Refreshments were available for shoppers. The result was an \$850 donation to ELF.

Directors Mary Ann Goetz, Sandra Crowley, Leila Khoury, Curtis Brown and Diane Porterfield were on-hand throughout the day to greet customers and answer any questions customers had about ELF or the library.

## ELF Insider

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## Program Committee Notes

ELF held its Quarterly Board Meeting on December 18 followed by a Holiday Celebration. This year-end event wrapped up ELF's Membership drive that had begun in 2003 and finalized the 2004 Pledge Drive for *Blooms of Enlightenment*.

City officials, Foundation members and other supporters were invited to share a holiday meal provided by ELF Board members. The food, warming trays and serving pieces were donated by each member of the ELF Board who brought a dish to share. Each table was decorated with wreaths and holiday items that were made by Board volunteers. All in all, we hope this was a nice way to say thank you to our supporters and to let them know more about us.

ELF president Diane Porterfield gave a brief update on fundraising efforts for *Blooms of Enlightenment*.

Immediate past president, Lynn Adams, presented Sybil Baldwin with the memorial plaque in honor of her husband Lloyd, our beloved director who passed away earlier this year. ELF members and friends donated gifts in Lloyd's memory that were designated for this memorial. Sybil was pleased by our recognition of her dear husband and thanked us for honoring him. The plaque has been installed on the bronze statue, "It was just like yesterday ...." at the entrance to the library. Lloyd was the model for this statue.

ELF secretary Sandra Crowley reported that the 2003-2004 membership campaign generated 137 foundation members and a total of \$2,550 in membership fees which are used, in part, to publish and distribute the quarterly *ELF Insider* newsletter. Membership renewals for 2005 are now being accepted.

Other directors briefly reported on upcoming events. ELF will NOT hold the February 11 event that was previously announced.

## ELF Calendar

Date	Time	Type of Meeting *
February 24, 2005	7:00 p.m.	Board of Directors meeting
March 17, 2005	6:00 p.m.	Board of Directors meeting and
	7:00 p.m.	Foundation Quarterly meeting
		Mayor Saleh Presents Ikebana Class

## Master Works Music & Arts Programs 2004 - 2005 \*\*

Date	Event
February 14, 2005	Music: Vocalists Mood Indigo
March 11, 2005	Art: David McCullough: Mixed Media Demonstration
April 2005	Music: Cindy Horstman and 2 Tone
May 9, 2005	Art: Barbara McFarland: Watercolor Demonstration
October 24, 2005	Music: Cello and guitarist Montana Skies
November 14, 2005	Art: Dave Kramer: Oil Demonstration
December 12, 2005	Music: In Full Swing "The Living Christmas Card"

\* Dates subject to change. Check the ELF web site at [www.euleslibraryfoundation.org](http://www.euleslibraryfoundation.org) for updated information.

\*\* All MasterWorks are held on Monday evening from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at the Eules Public Library. For more information about the demonstrations, contact Trinity Arts Guild at 817-283-1422, Eules Public Library at 817-685-1679, Artsnet at 817-283-3406 or [www.artsnetc.org](http://www.artsnetc.org).

## ELF 2005 Membership Renewal

Now is the time to renew your membership in the Eules Library Foundation for 2005. Annual Memberships expired on December 31, 2004.

When ELF launched its membership campaign in mid-2002, everyone was offered an extended membership program through December 31, 2004. If you have already renewed your membership, thank you. If you have not, you may do so by sending your membership renewal fee to the Eules Library Foundation at 201 N. Ector Dr., Eules, TX 76039. Please note "Membership" on your check. Membership fees are used to print and mail our quarterly newsletter and for general day-to-day operational needs so that monies raised via fundraising events may be used for the designated project.

Membership Renewal fees are: Individual, \$15; Family, \$20; Corporate, \$40. Your membership includes a subscription to the *ELF Insider* newsletter. We thank you for your continued support.

## Be Part of Eules History

There is still time for you to be a sponsor of the *Blooms of Enlightenment* blown-glass art project. With your help, *Blooms of Enlightenment* can be installed in the library in 2005 in conjunction with ELF's 10-year anniversary. (see related story on page 1)

Become a sponsor today with a tax deductible donation made payable to Eules Library Foundation. For more information, pick up a brochure at the library or visit our web site at [www.euleslibraryfoundation.org](http://www.euleslibraryfoundation.org). Donor names will be included in a permanent display at the library. If you have already donated, thank you for your continued support of the Eules Public Library. Sponsorships are available at the following levels:

Distinguished	\$5,000 *	Silver	\$ 500 *
Platinum	\$1,000 *	Bronze	\$ 100
Gold	\$ 750 *	Friends	\$1 - 99

\* Donors names to be included in permanent display.