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FOTL ANNUAL MEETING 2019 COOKEVILLE MAY 4

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- *Responsible Boards*
- *Finding New Members*
- *Compliance with State Law*
- *Awards*
- *Networking*
- *Imagination Library Film*

Library Legislative Day
March 12, 2019
Nashville
Friends and Trustees Luncheon
TLA Conference
Chattanooga
Friday, April 26
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EveryLibrary 2019
Presented by Tenn-Share
A Workshop on Advocacy
March 18, 19, and 21

East Tennessee March 18
Middle Tennessee March 19
West Tennessee March 21

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**Apply for a Grant
Or
Nominate a
Winner
by March 15**

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Library Legislative Day on March 12 Features ALA Past President Neal

On March 12 advocates for Tennessee's public libraries will convene in Nashville for Tennessee Library Legislative Day. Keynote speaker will be Jim Neal, past president of the American Library Association.

Friends of Tennessee Libraries joins the Tennessee Library Association as sponsors for the event at the Nashville Public Library, 615 Church Street, and the Cordell Hull Building, 425 5th Avenue North.

More details about the day and registration can be found here:
<https://www.tnla.org/events/EventDetails.aspx?id=1193148>

Friends and Trustees Meet at TLA Conference

Friends and Trustees are invited to have lunch together during the Tennessee Library Association's Annual Conference on Friday, April 26, in Chattanooga. The Friend of the Year Award, given jointly by TLA and FOTL, will be presented at the luncheon. Save the date and check out details about the TLA meeting here:
<https://www.tnla.org/page/2019Conference>

Tenn-Share-Sponsored Workshops To Focus on Basics of Advocacy

Tenn-Share invites you to learn practical strategies to advocate for your library from the experts of EveryLibrary, a nonprofit social welfare organization chartered to work on local library ballot initiatives. John Chrastka and Patrick Sweeney have planned sessions in each of the Grand Divisions of the state:

- East Tennessee on Monday, March 18, at the John C. Hodges Library, University of Tennessee Knoxville
- Middle Tennessee on Tuesday, March 19, at Goodwill Industries Herman Street Office, Nashville
- West Tennessee on Thursday, March 21, University of Memphis Library

A fee of \$20 includes lunch, but space is limited. To register for the workshop go to Tenn-Share at <https://www.tenn-share.org/everylibrary>

Need Funds to Fulfill Your Mission? FOTL Offers Grants to Friends

Tennessee Friends whose membership in Friends of Tennessee Libraries is up to date are invited to apply for \$300 grants to support projects that support their group's advocacy, fundraising, and membership. Grants are intended to fund new projects, not projects already completed. The deadline for applications is March 15, 2019, and should be submitted by mail to Dwight D. Shepherd, 10405 Alex Bales Road, Kodak, TN 37764 or online to dewhitesheep@hotmail.com.

Guidelines for applications as well as a downloadable application form can be found on the FOTL website:
<http://www.friendstnlibraries.org/awards-grants/grant-application/>

Nominate Your Champion

Who has made a difference in your Friends group or your library in the past two years? At its annual meeting FOTL has honored many of these champions with Recognition Awards that include a certificate and \$100. Honorees have included civic-minded groups who have donated buildings to be used as libraries, library foundations, or Friends groups as well as individuals who have donated many hours to benefit their library.

To nominate your champion, you must have an up-to-date individual membership in FOTL. (Enrollment may accompany your nomination.) Deadline for nominations is March 15, 2019. Download the nomination form here: <http://www.friendstnlibraries.org/wp-content/uploads/Nominate-Revised.pdf>

FRIENDS OF TENNESSEE LIBRARIES ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, May 4

The Putnam Room, 319 E. Spring Street, Cookeville, TN

- 8:15 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast
Welcome—**Connie Albrecht**, Putnam County Library Friends; **Randy Porter**, Putnam County Executive
Business Meeting—**Don Reynolds**, FOTL President, 2014-17, 2018-19
Minutes/Financial Report/2019 Honor Roll/Board Member Election
Introduction of TLA/FOTL Friends of the Year—**Don Reynolds**
Announcement of Grants—**Dwight Shepherd**
Announcement of Recognition Certificates—**Janis Perry**
Chuck Sherrill, State Librarian and Archivist—New State Library Building
- Break
Board Responsibilities . . . Really?!—**Marjorie Kaup Haines**, FOTL Treasurer
Charitable Solicitations and Gaming: Are You in Compliance?
Tennessee Secretary of State Division of Charitable Solicitations and Gaming
Luncheon **Catered by SEVEN SENSES FOOD and CHEER**
Marcia Donovan, Storyteller, Putnam County Library
- Break
Imagination Library Film
Growing Your Membership!—**Jacqueline Wallace and Jackie Jenkins, Memphis**
Door Prizes (You must be present to win!)
- 3:30 p.m. Adjournment

* **To nominate** a group or individual for a Recognition Award by March 15, go to <http://www.friendstnlibraries.org/wp-content/uploads/Nominate-Revised.pdf>

To apply for a grant by March 15, go to

<http://www.friendstnlibraries.org/awards-grants/grant-application/>

Register for FOTL's May 4 Meeting

ONLINE: <http://www.friendstnlibraries.org> OR by check and mail (see below).

Registration is only \$30. It includes breakfast and lunch.

Registration must be received by FOTL by April 25.

Detach this form and mail it with your check, payable to FOTL, to Marjorie Kaup Haines, P. O. Box 681493, Franklin, TN 37068-1493.

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- **Establishing and helping** Friends of Library groups succeed
- **Communicating** with libraries and trustees about the value of Friends
- **Serving** members as a communication network and clearinghouse for information
- **Advocating** for library funding and legislative support on a local, state, and national basis

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Membership Application

Become a Friend of Tennessee Libraries

(Membership year is January to December.)

INDIVIDUAL or FAMILY

- Individual \$15/yr
- Family \$25/yr
- Silver \$50/yr
- Gold \$100/yr
- Platinum \$500/yr

ORGANIZATION

- 1-49 Members \$25/yr
- 50-99 Members \$55/yr
- 100-499 Members \$75/yr
- 500 Members \$100/yr

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

TN County _____ E-Mail _____

Membership runs from January through December.

_____ Check here if you want to receive your newsletter electronically.

Join online: <http://www.friendstnlibraries.org/support-us/join/>

Or make checks payable to Friends of Tennessee Libraries. Send to Marjorie Kaup Haines, P.O. Box 681493, Franklin, TN 37068-1493.