



Come to Chattanooga Public Library April 26

Want To Sleep Over?

The DoubleTree Downtown, located at 407 Chestnut Street in the heart of downtown Chattanooga, is easy to find just off I-24 and Highway 27.

Reservations can be made by telephone (423.756.5150) or online (doubletree3.hilton.com). Mention Friends of Tennessee Libraries to obtain the special rate of \$109 per night.

Chattanooga has much to offer the visitor. Check out this YouTube video: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vp7t7-kuGXs>

Parking

Downtown Chattanooga offers free metered parking on Saturdays. Paid parking is available in nearby lots. Three handicap spots are available outside the library, but any metered spot is open to handicapped drivers on Saturday.

To facilitate parking, FOTL recommends that participants in the annual meeting carpool if possible.

Now What?

1. Register for the meeting. You can do so online or by mail (see p.2).
2. Nominate your Friends' heroes for FOTL awards given at the annual meeting (see p. 2).
3. Show up in the Chattanooga Public Library on April 26 for the meeting. Mayor Andy Berke will welcome you to the city, and so will Friends of Tennessee Libraries.

Celebrate Your Heroes: Nominate Them for Awards

Who has made a difference to your library in the past two years? At its annual meetings FOTL has honored many of these heroes with certificates of appreciation and awards of \$100. Recipients in the past have included civic-minded individuals who have donated buildings to be used as libraries; library foundations established by generous advocates; Friends' groups that have renovated buildings; and individuals who have donated many hours to such significant tasks as helping libraries extend their hours, teaching classes in computer, raising funds, coordinating book sales, composing brochures about library services, organizing book-and-author events, founding Friends' groups, editing newsletters or websites, or organizing summer-reading programs.

Nominees may be a living individual, an individual recently deceased, a Friends' group, a business, or other groups. Their achievements should have occurred in the past two years.

To nominate your hero, you must have an individual's membership in FOTL. (Enrollment may accompany the nomination.) Nominations by individuals who belong to a Friends' group with a group membership in FOTL will be disqualified.

In 100 or fewer words, describe your hero. Then provide FOTL with the appropriate contact information.

If your nominee is an individual, provide FOTL with the the following information:

Nominee's Name _____ Mailing Address _____
Nominee's Phone Number _____ Category (Individual? Librarian? Friend? Benefactor?) _____
Name of the Library Which the Nominee Has Benefited _____
Library's Address _____ Library's phone number _____,

If your nominee is a local Friends' group, business, or other, provide FOTL with the following:

Name of the Group _____ President of the Organization, _____
Address _____ Phone _____ Category _____
Library _____ Library's Address _____ Phone _____

To the above information, add

Your Name _____
Address _____ Phone _____

Mail to Frances Darnell, 7208 Scottsville Rd., Lafayette, TN 37083 before April 1.

**Register for FOTL's Annual Meeting online at <www.friendstnlibraries.org>
OR
by check and mail (see below.)**

Registration covering both continental breakfast and lunch is \$30. Registration must be received by FOTL by April 19. Detach this form and mail it with your check, payable to FOTL, to Ed Jared, FOTL Treasurer, 1221 Woodlake Trace, Cookeville, TN 38501-3075.

Questions? Check out our website at <www.friendstnlibraries.org>.

Name _____ Telephone _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____

_____ Check here if this is the first FOTL Annual Meeting you have attended.

Schedule for 2014 FOTL Annual Meeting Saturday, April 26

Chattanooga Public Library
1001 Broad Street, Chattanooga, TN 37402

- 9:00-9:30 Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 9:30-9:45 Welcome by Chattanooga Mayor Andy Berke
The National Anthem with Nel Reid, soloist
The Pledge of Allegiance
- 9:45-10:00 FOTL Business Meeting
- 10:00-10:15 *Break*
- 10:15 - 12:15 **Marj Fleming**, Launch Point Leadership
Library Strategic Planning
Talk followed by Q&A session
- 12:15 Buffet Lunch
- 12:45-1:15 **Chuck Sherrill**, Tennessee State Librarian & Archivist
- 1:15-1:30 *Break*
- 1:30-2:30 **Corinne Hill, Nate Hill**, Director & Assistant Director
Chattanooga Public Library
- 2:30-3:00 FOTL Recognition Awards
Door prizes
- 3:00 Adjournment



Charlotte Vlas with FOTL's William Sundquist

Charlotte Vlas, Another TN Celeb

Charlotte Carr Vlas, librarian at the Chattanooga School of the Liberal Arts, is the recipient of the prestigious I Love My Librarian Award given in 2013 by the Carnegie Corporation of New York/New York Times.

She was hailed for "having created a library environment where research-based learning and passion for reading abound. . . . In her work with students and teachers, Mrs. Vlas has made the library the hub of lifelong learning at CSLA."

Mrs. Vlas has been invited to attend the FOTL annual meeting, where participants will be able to meet her, congratulate her, and find out more about her work as a school librarian.

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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.)

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| INDIVIDUAL or FAMILY | ORGANIZATION |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual \$15/yr | <input type="checkbox"/> 1-49 Members \$25/yr |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family \$25/yr | <input type="checkbox"/> 50-99 Members \$55/yr |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Silver \$50/yr | <input type="checkbox"/> 100-499 Members \$75/yr |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gold \$100/yr | <input type="checkbox"/> 500 Members \$100/yr |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Platinum \$500/yr | |

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

TN County _____ E-Mail _____

____ Check here if you want to receive your newsletter electronically.
Make checks payable to Friends of Tennessee Libraries. Send to
FOTL Membership Chair Connie Albrecht, 1560 Country Club Place, Cookeville, TN 38501-2062.