

Leave a Legacy

A generous contribution to the George F. Johnson Memorial Library is a meaningful way to honor a friend or family member, or to express your personal belief in the value of libraries. We look forward to adding your name, or that of someone you choose to honor, to this visible testimony to the bond between our library and our community. The Tree also presents an ideal opportunity for businesses and organizations to advertise their support for libraries and all they have to offer.

With a small donation, you can have a name added to our Giving Tree.

In the spirit of George F. Johnson, and in tribute to his belief in the value of education, positive recreation, and the public library's critical role in both, The Giving Tree was established to recognize those who value library service and to recognize donations received by the library in the amount of \$100 or more. Names appearing on the leaves, acorns, and foundation stones at its base represent donations made by individuals or by organizations, or to honor others. All funds received are used to provide enhancements to the Library, its collections, programs, or services.

The Giving Tree was funded entirely through donations and through a grant by The Friends of the George F. Johnson Memorial Library.

To discuss endowment programs, deferred giving or other forms of major gifts and contributions, contact the Library Director at the address below.

To contribute to The Giving Tree, provide (print) the following information, and submit this form along with your check, payable to "George F. Johnson Memorial Library" or to "Friends of the George F. Johnson Memorial Library."

Date _____

Your name: _____

Your address: _____

Phone number: _____

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The Giving Tree



"There is nothing in our cultural armory more important than the library- nothing. If every school, every university, every other source of knowledge was destroyed, but the library remained, civilization could be rebuilt and man could resume his progress."

- Harrison E. Salisbury
Pulitzer Prize winning author and journalist

Your public library is the ideal place for charitable giving, be it a straight cash gift; one in honor or in memory of a loved one; or a planned bequest. The Giving Tree recognizes those who have supported the George F. Johnson Memorial Library through the years. The back of this brochure tells you how you can add a name to this lasting tribute.

Libraries Change Lives in Many Positive Ways

- ✦ Encourage everyone to read
- ✦ Introduce children to the joys of reading and lifelong learning
- ✦ Help students of all ages pursue their education
- ✦ Provide vital information for people looking for a job, raising a family, investing for retirement, or coping with a serious illness
- ✦ Foster an informed citizenry

Your Donation Will Allow Us To:

- ✦ Keep pace with changing technology
- ✦ Close the gap between the computer "haves" and "have nots"
- ✦ Buy more books, computers, and library materials
- ✦ Improve the library building and grounds, and develop the library as a community center and oasis of learning and information

Help us to ensure quality library services for years to come.

What You Will Get in Return

- ✦ Ensure a lasting legacy for yourself or a loved one
- ✦ Your gift is tax deductible to the maximum extent allowed by law
- ✦ The satisfaction of knowing you helped support education, literacy, and culture

Gifts such as stocks, bonds, real estate and personal property may:

- ✦ Increase retirement income
- ✦ Provide income throughout your lifetime
- ✦ Maximize both current and long-term tax savings

Consult your attorney, accountant, trust officer or other qualified professional for advice.



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Leaves & Stones

Bronze—\$100.—\$499.00

Silver—\$500.—999.00

Gold—\$1,000.—\$1,999.00

Small Stone—\$2,000.—2,999.

Medium Stone—\$3,000.—3,999.

Large Stone—\$4,000.—4,999.

Acorn—\$5,000. +

