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2018 Annual Katherine's Tree Award Ceremony

On Sunday, March 11th, the Foundation held its fourth annual ceremony to



Foundation Chair Bill Burger, Erin Phemester, Foundation Vice Chair Jon Reiskind, and Guy Hudspeth

recognize the previous year's Katherine's Tree leaf recipients. Erin Phemester, Senior Library Manager of the Youth Services

Department, was the 2017 recipient of the annual Guy Hudspeth Award, joining the nine previous award winners: Guy Hudspeth (for whom the award is named, in 2007), Memree Stuart (2008), Martha Roberts (2009), Phillis Filer

(2010), Ike Welch (2011), Darba Owens-Simmons (2012), Bruce Stewart (2013), Anita Jenkins-McCarter (2014), Kathi Harris (2015), Melanie Langsdale Aultman (2016).

Other honorees who honored by leaves on Katherine's Tree included Tom and Mary Evans and Bill Watson sponsored by the Friends of the Library (FOL) for their outstanding volunteer work with FOL book sales. Dr. Heather Harrell

gave a leaf in memory of her grandmother, Martha Whitehead, and Bill Watson also contributed a leaf in memory of his mother, Georgia B. Watson. Ken Wagener received a leaf in honor of his 71st birthday, and Rob and Carol Ann Oglesby had a leaf placed on the tree to reflect their support of the library.



FOL honorees Tom and Mary Evans and Bill Watson, with Foundation Chair Bill Burger



Rob and Carol Oglesby, flanking Foundation Chair Bill Burger

Heather Harrell, with Foundation Chair Bill Burger

Each leaf on the tree represents a gift of \$2,000 to the Alachua County Library District Foundation to help advance its support of the Library.