

Who are Friends of the Carthage Public Library?

Adults, students, families or groups who benefit from the library or those who want to support the goals of the Carthage Public Library staff and board.

The Friends are guided by an executive board who meet regularly during the year to plan the activities of the group. This group has by-laws and officers: chairman, vice chairman, secretary and treasurer.

General members can join and renew their membership each year. This group helps support the activities and fundraising projects of the Friends of the Carthage Public Library. There is an annual meeting each year of all general members. Members will receive regular email newsletters.

Just becoming a member of the Friends of the Carthage Public Library helps support library goals by paying the annual dues.



The purpose of Friends of the Carthage Public Library

- Support and assist the Carthage Library;
- Promote the development of library service;
- Foster closer relations between the library and citizens of the district;
- Promote knowledge and use of library functions, resources;
- Provide a way for members to exchange ideas, information.

Membership of the Carthage Public Library Membership levels

- \$5 Student
- \$10 Individual
- \$25 Family
- \$25 Supporter

The supporter membership is for those who are unable to take an active part in our group.

In the past years

Since Friends of the Carthage Public Library started in 1990, they have helped in many ways.

Purchased a book sale cart, tables and other furniture, audio books or large print books;

Provided special programming;

Helped at book sales, spelling bee, fall patron count and receptions.

I have enclosed a check payable to "Friends of the Carthage Public Library" for membership:

_____ \$5 Student _____ \$10 Individual _____ \$25 Family _____ \$25 Supporter

Name _____ Phone # _____

Address _____

Email _____ I'm interested in volunteering _____

Please mail this form & your check to: Cheryl Underwood, 710 North Haven Dr., Carthage, IL 62321.
Or drop it in the box at Carthage Public Library desk.

What can you do?

Regular work of the Carthage Public Library can be assisted by those who are Friends of the Carthage Public Library.

Used book sales bring citizens into the library, help the library staff keep the library collection, put books into the hands of patrons, and raises money for other projects. Volunteers can help before and at these sales.

Each fall the library must conduct a patron count. Volunteers simply take shifts and count everyone who comes in to the library for any reason.

The library takes part in the Carthage Christmas Open House and other Carthage Chamber events. Friends can support these activities.

Fundraising events can be supported all through the year.



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Who are they?

What is their goal?

How can you help?