

The 21st Annual Friends of the WCPL Art Auction & Dinner was held Friday night, February 21, 2014 at the Chatom Community Center. Lovely weather and an array of wonderful items were enjoyed by a full-house of bidders who came to support the Library. Guests participated in the silent and live auction led by auctioneers, Ed Turner, Tatum Turner, and Tommy Fuller. This year's auction was dedicated to the memory of Mrs. Penny Schell, a founding member of the Friends of the WCPL and a long-time library supporter, who passed February 1, 2014.



Decorations of yellow flowers from Chatom Floral, columns made by Carl Craig and Andrews hardware, and twinkling silver and crystal candelabras from local collectors, created a classic, comfortable atmosphere in the Chatom Community Center for the Gatsby/20s, "Spark a Reaction" theme. Many beautiful pieces and collectible items were included from local and nationally known artists, authors and craftsmen in the live and silent auctions, and prize drawings. First Community Bank excited attendees

by donating "Bank Bucks," door prizes given to 20 lucky winners to use during their auction bidding.

With generous support from the Town of Chatom and the many people and local businesses who sponsor and contribute, the 2014 Friends of the WCPL Annual Art Auction raised \$42,000 that will be used to improve library services for Washington County and the surrounding areas. Proceeds from this year's art auction will be used for Matching funds for Grants, Technology Equipment, Software and Services, Adult Literacy Efforts, Programs for Children and Adults, Special Events and Author Visits, Educational Resources and Materials, & much more!

"Each year, this auction just gets better and better and we owe this success to the generosity and support that this community shows to the public library. This auction is successful due to the years of dedicated hard work by our Friends group and to the many loyal local and area supporters

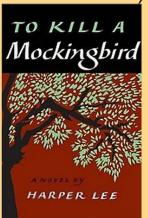
who donate items and attend the auction each year," said Library Director, Jessica Ross. "People like Mrs. Penny Schell and others who have a vision and make their vision a reality, are true inspirations. They have built a legacy for the future of library services in Washington County. What a gift! " For pictures and more information about the auction, please visit the library's website, www.wcpls.org.



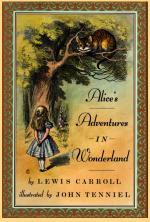
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It is the mission of the Washington County Public Library To strengthen and enrich our community by connecting people to the world of information, ideas and imagination in order to support their work, education, personal growth and enjoyment.

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