

FRIENDS OF KENTUCKY LIBRARIES
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Hindman Library

The amount donated by members toward books to replace those destroyed by fire, January 15, in Hindman, stands at \$329.50. Of this amount \$99.00 had been contributed before the fire; the remainder, in response to the notice in the February Newsletter. Thanks are extended to all donors.

We can all be happy to be able to give this much in friendship to people so bitterly disappointed, just after making heroic efforts to obtain a library. Any further contributions may be sent to Mrs. Houston, marked for Hindman. Donations of books or other material should be sent or brought to the State Department, marked for Hindman. If authors contribute their own books, these would be more valuable if autographed.

Thanks Extended to the Following Contributors of Books:

Mrs. T. D. Winstead of Rineyville, who is a member of FKL as well as Second Vice-President of the Kentucky Federation of Women's Clubs. She brought to the Department a large box of very good books, mostly recent fiction.

Mrs. Lenora Upson, Director, Senior House, Louisville, and Miss Ethel Grosz of the Administrative Offices of the Louisville Board of Education, both new members.

Marjorie Smith, FKL secretary.

Mrs. Edith Thompson, member, Senior House of Louisville, who has offered a number of books from her library.

Students at Morehead State College who have collected 200 books for Hindman which are being sent directly there to be stored in the old Settlement House library until needed.

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Scholarships for Undergraduate Work in Library Science

Scholarship application forms of our own are being devised for the use of persons interested in applying for work in library science. Mrs. Russell will have copies to send to persons who wish them.

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Letters to Jaycees

The Jaycees of the state have performed countless valuable services for many libraries. Letters similar to those sent to the Kentucky Woman's Clubs are now being written to the Jaycees Clubs - all 90 of them. We hope many will want to join FKL.

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Our Membership

Our membership is going up but, considering the great amount of work necessary to bring Kentucky's libraries up to standards nationally recognized as good, we need thousands, not hundreds, of new members - all of them active. The needs of the library will, inevitably, grow, not diminish with the increase in population, automation, amount of education of the majority, and many other already predictable factors. How can these facts best be presented to the general public, as well as to your own friends, to mean

what they actually mean instead of remaining statistics? Probably the most dramatic presentation available is the colored film, "Lonnie and the Bookmobile" though it is already a bit out of date. However, it is still useful and can be borrowed from the State Department and some libraries. If anyone wishes to show it to a Sunday School group of any other to tell them about bookmobile service, that member has only to request the film. The script is spoken by one of our own members - Dorcas Ruthenburg, whose velvet voice adds much to the charm and effectiveness of the film.

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Any communication on this or any other subject by our members is welcomed and can be sent either to the Department of Libraries, marked "Newsletter" or to Mrs. Houston.

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Do you ever wonder what other Friends groups are doing - out of state? Here is a quotation from "Currents," Newsletter of the County Library System, Cleveland, Ohio:

Friend-ly Help

The first major activity of the newly formed Friends of the Olmsted Falls Library was the immensely successful art auction held January 23. Serving as auctioneer was County Library President, Aubrey M. Billings, Omsted Falls resident and artist, who gave of his own works, and encouraged donations from other local artists...About 150 people attended the affair which showed a profit of \$800....

Art in Kentucky Libraries - Artists, Please note!

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As most of the Friends know, the day of libraries for books only is long gone, in Kentucky as well as in Ohio. Have you a painting you would like to donate to the Department for circulation? Size or subject matter is not very important, nor are frames completely necessary. The library will supply frames but will not accept pictures which need glass because of the danger involved. The Department has a good collection of prints in color, copies of famous art pieces, of almost every period of history and in many styles. If you have a picture to donate, please send or bring it to the Department. Please so designate if you wish it to go to a particular library.

Poetry Room

The Friends wish to congratulate the University of Louisville and Dr. Wayne S. Yenawine, its new Director, on the recently opened Poetry Room, a memorial to the late Robert Worth Bingham by his family. This room is in the beautiful library building on campus, Second and Shipp. It is open for browsing. Any member who has not seen the whole library or this Poetry Room will find a visit rewarding.

Sincerely,
The Executive Committee

Coupon

Dues, if not already paid (\$2.00) _____
Extra donation - for Hindman Library _____
Extra donation - for Scholarship Fund _____

Signature

(Address, if changed recently)

Send to: Mrs. Russell Houston, 2512 Brighton Drive, Louisville, Kentucky