

# Friends of Kentucky Libraries,

Incorporated

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NEWSLETTER

ANNUAL LUNCHEON MEETING - - - - with The Trustees of Public Libraries

DATE: Friday, October 31, 1969  
HOUR: 12:30, Noon

PLACE: Seelbach Hotel, 4th and Walnut, Louisville -- Oak Room

COST: \$5.00, including tax and tip

Presiding: Mrs. Joy Bale, President, Friends of Kentucky Libraries,  
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Speakers: Mr. C. V. Cooper, President, Kentucky Library Trustees  
Association

Subject: To be announced

Miss Margaret Willis, State Librarian

Subject: Success Story from Kentucky Department of  
Libraries and Friends of Kentucky Libraries,  
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To make reservation: Send check to  
Mrs. Russell Houston, Jr., Executive Secretary  
Friends of Kentucky Libraries, Incorporated  
2512 Brighton Drive  
Louisville, Ky. 40205

Last date for reservations: to be announced. Note: No tickets for sale  
at the door. Tickets will be mailed to purchaser.

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING:

To be held following the luncheon. Important matters will come  
to the attention of the members.

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Scholarship Gift - from Mrs. Agnes Board Dodd

Our member, Mrs. Agnes Board Dodd of Louisville, who died last  
February, left \$500 for a scholarship. Mrs. Houston will receive letters  
of application. Letter must be received soon if applicant wishes to attend  
college in the fall.

This organization wishes to express deepest appreciation for the  
legacy and pledges best efforts in placing the scholarship with a per-  
son whose talents, ambition and need assure its best use.

Bookmobile for Booneville, Owsley County

Booneville, a small town in Owsley County, has never had a public library. However, there have been local efforts made this summer, toward acquiring some sort of small collection of books for the use of the community. A local minister and some college students from another state worked together and managed to collect and buy some very nice books which have been kept in the basement of a church. The next step was a conference between Mr. Mike Smathers, the minister, the students, Miss Willis, and members of the Friends of Kentucky Libraries, Incorporated to study the problems. Miss Willis offered two used bookmobiles for use. They were driven to Booneville; both were stocked with books; one bookmobile will be stationed in the town, the other will make runs.

The real difficulty at this point was to hire a librarian-driver and to find the money for his or her salary. The Friends underwrote the salary for a year - \$2400. Booneville will therefore have a functioning bookmobile-library, hopefully beginning September 1. When business starts, one bookmobile will be parked in the middle of town, in the town square by the courthouse, where it cannot possibly be overlooked. The second bookmobile will circulate books in the county.

A library board has been appointed for Booneville and the community has, in this short time, collected \$1100 from the citizens to pay expenses, in addition to salary, to keep the circulating bookmobile going for a year. May we congratulate Booneville and Owsley County on the steps already taken toward public library service. May this be just one of many steps toward a improvement of public facilities in Booneville.