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Holiday party

Children at the Kingwood Library celebrated the holiday season at the library's annual Christmas party. Pictured above are some of the participants. Right, Meredith Lange looks at one of the ornaments on the tree.

Pungent pomander

ECHO



Marianne Daugherty helps her son, Scott, tie a ribbon on a pomander ball made from an apple and cloves as her daughter, Christy, watches. Many Kingwood children made the aromatic balls at the Kingwood Library last Thursday. — Photo by VICKI PRUETT

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Book sale

Wanda Bartels, Wanda Hudson, Nancy Mathews and Kathy Spirakes are busy preparing for the Friends of the Library Kingwood (FOLK) book sale on March 15 and 16 at the Kingwood Branch Public Library.

Kingwood Art Show expands to two days

The Kingwood Art Show, sponsored by the Friends of the Library Kingwood, is expanding to a two-day show in honor of the 20th birthday of the event. The show will be held April 13, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and April 14, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., on the Woodland Hills Village Green and the adjoining greenbelt trails, where it has been held in past years.

More than 150 artists and crafts people from the area and the region are expected to attend, where they will display and sell fine art and handmade crafts, including oil and water color paintings, pottery, jewelry, folk art, sculpture, toy making, photography and clothing.

The show is sponsored by the Friends of the Library with the proceeds from booth rentals going to benefit the Kingwood Library. Last year's show raised almost \$5,000 for the library, and has been used to purchase adult and children fiction and non-fiction works.

A refreshment booth staff by the Kingwood Women's Club and the National Charity League will offer cold drinks, pizza, cookies and other food items during the show.

For more information about participation in the show, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to FOLK, P.O. Box 5353, Kingwood, Texas 77325.

FOLK thanks volunteers

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the Friends of the Library, Kingwood, I would like to thank the many people in our community who supported this year's door-to-door residential Buy-A-Book campaign.

Members of the Kingwood Women's Club, National Charity League, FOLK and others took time from their busy schedules to ask their neighbors for donations to help keep our library expanding and improving. They deserve a sincere thanks from all of us, particularly those of us who use the library and think it is a valuable resource in the community.

A thank you also to The Observer for the fine coverage, and to Holiday Foods and Latest and Greatest Video for their interest and support.

Donations to this year's campaign should reach \$25,000, funds which will stay in the community and be used for the purchase of books and equipment at the Kingwood Branch Library only. If anyone still wishes to be a part of the campaign, donations may be sent to FOLK, Box 5353, Kingwood, TX. 77325.

Katherine Thomas
Buy-A-Book Campaign
Kingwood, Texas

Library

Celebrating its 8th year of service to the community, the Kingwood Branch Library is one of the busiest in the Harris County Public Library system. Over two-thirds of Kingwood residents have library cards, which is far above the national average.

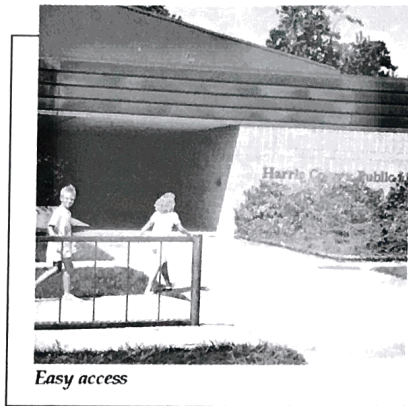
The library is located at 4102 Rustic Woods Drive, on the corner of Lake Houston Parkway and Rustic Woods Drive, next to the Metro Park and Ride lot, in the King's

tion will make you a member of FOLK and a true friend of the Kingwood Library.

In addition to books, the library also has VHS video cassettes available for free three-day check out. These include children's films, general entertainment films, and how-to tapes. There is an even wider selection of book cassettes, perfect for those long commutes.

On audio cassette, the library has best sellers, mysteries, science fiction, self-help, classics, business, health, foreign languages, study guides. There is also a broad selection of over 200 magazines with back issues in either paper or microfiche.

On microfiche, the library also has phone



Easy access

Crossing area of Kingwood. A wide range of services are available in the 12,000-square-foot building.

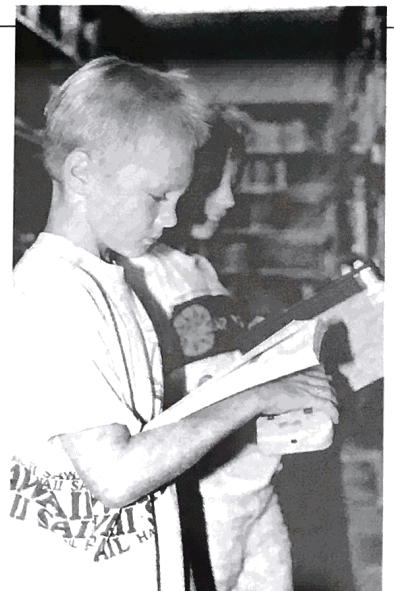
Children's services play an important role at Kingwood, where two story times are held weekly for preschool children (ages 3-5) on Tuesdays at 10:15 a.m. and 2:15 p.m. Over 900 children participated in Camp Wanna-Read, the summer reading program.

Special programs for children are held throughout the year. During the past year, there have been puppet shows, holiday and seasonal craft programs, animals, bike rodeos, theatrical programs, movies and more. Always involved in education, the librarians will respond eagerly to any information from teachers on upcoming school assignments.

Business information is an ever-growing part of the library's collection. Currently these include Moody's, Value Line, Wiesnerberger Investment, Texas Directory of Manufacturers, Dun and Bradstreet, Harris County Business Guide, Zweig Forecast, Texas Directory of Wholesalers, Thomas Register, as well as many other directories. New ones are added as funds allow.

The library, which presently has a collection of over 61,000 books and 14,000 non-book items, benefits greatly from the extensive community fund raising activities, conducted chiefly under the umbrella of the Friends of the Library Kingwood (FOLK).

FOLK is a nonprofit, volunteer association of persons interested in books and libraries. Its purpose is to focus public attention on library services, facilities and needs;



Informative

April 29

FOLK ANNUAL MEETING. Leon Hale, Chronicle columnist, will be the guest speaker at the annual meeting of Friends of the Library Kingwood. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. April 29 at the Kingwood Library, 4102 Rustic Woods.



SPECIAL SPEAKER. Leon Hale, Houston Chronicle columnist will speak at the FOLK general meeting April 29. Hale has written seven books, two novels and two books of columns.







Luncheon recognizes volunteers

The Volunteer Luncheon was held recently at the Kingwood Branch Library. The luncheon is held twice a year to thank and recognize the 20-30 volunteers at the library. A salad bar lunch was prepared by the library staff as a gesture of appreciation to the volunteers.

After the meal, there was a brief speech given by Rhoda Goldberg, assistant county librarian. She spoke on the community spirit reflected in the large number of volunteer hours donated to the library. She also mentioned the increased need for volunteers due to severe budget cuts for the Harris County Public Library System.

Macie Cawley, coordinator of volunteers for the Kingwood Branch, talked about the importance and value of the time the volunteers give to the library.

Susie Le Canu was recognized for having worked over 50 hours.

She received a personalized coffee mug and certificate. Clara Taylor received the Special Recognition Award for having worked over 500 hours for the library. She was given a book bag and a certificate. Marjorie McQuillen was awarded the Outstanding Service Award and received a magnet memo pad and a certificate.

Eligible for awards, but unable to attend, were Ann Hoving, Mary Jo Carlson, Billie Sanders, Fran Charvat, Janet Nunn, Al Angsman, and Robert Forester.

Funds for the awards and some of the supplies for the luncheon

were donated by F.O.L.K. Representing F.O.L.K. at the luncheon were Marianne Lincoln, Judy Foody, Elizabeth Sloan, Pam Deltmers, Kathy Scharer, and Wanda and Herb Hudson.

Volunteers need to be over 14 years old, work a minimum of two hours a week, and agree to a commitment of 50 hours to the library. Volunteers do mostly support and behind-the-scenes work. They check in and prepare orders for new books, shelve books, call reserves, discharge returned books, put away magazines and newspapers, etc. If interested in volunteering, call Macie Cawley at the



Officers

Friends of the Library, Kingwood, elected the following officers for the 1991-92 term: (left to right) Jody Warnack, corresponding secretary; Mart Markway, vice president, Members; Kathy Scharer, treasurer; Marianne Lincoln, president; Wanda Bartels, vice president, Purchasing; Linda Samsury, recording secretary.



NEW OFFICERS. Friends of the Library Kingwood recently elected new officers for the 1991-92 term. Those elected were, from left, Jody Warnack, corresponding secretary; Mart Markway, vice president-membership; Kathy Scharer, treasurer; Marianne Lincoln, president; Wanda Bartels, vice president-purchasing; and Linda Samsury, recording secretary.



Donation

FOLK President Marianne Lincoln (left) receives the first contribution to the Kingwood Library Buy-A-Book Campaign from Wanda Hudson (right).

Kingwood library ^{Observer 7-10-91} seeks help

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THE OBSERVER SECTION

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Library seeks donations

Budget cuts, ballooning needs and increasing community use are the reasons behind the coming business community fund raiser for the Kingwood Branch of the Harris County Library.

Peggy Bianchi will chair the fund raiser and is optimistic about raising \$15,000 from the business area.

"Because of the severe budget cuts for the coming fiscal year, local businesses will be asked for donations to help purchase needed items for the library," Bianchi said.

Usage at the Kingwood Branch is one of the highest in the Houston area, and during the summer, the bookshelves in the children's section are bare.

"There are so many children's programs during the summer - and each of them filled to capacity. With the school libraries closed, the shelves in Kingwood are bare during June, July and August. We have a constant need to have more books in that area of the library," Bianchi said.

However, the shelves in the children's area are not the only ones which receive such high usage. Resource materials, audio cassettes for music, video cassettes for childbirth and foreign language are in high demand, with limited materials available to the public who is wanting them.

Bianchi has proposed that "Ladies of the Library" visit with

each of the Kingwood area businesses during late July and early August. These women who are volunteering come from a cross section of Kingwood, each active in at least one other community group.

"I've been pleased with the response from volunteers so far. I have working moms, volunteer moms and full-time homemakers who will be giving their time to this cause. Each of them seems to understand the need to improve our branch of the library so we may offer more to every community member," Bianchi continued.

From the \$15,000, it is hoped the following items will come: index table, study carrels, children's furniture and books, paperbook shelving, audio and video cassettes, updated and additional resource materials. But, there is more on the list!

Community members who are interested in volunteering their time to help with this project, or businesses who have a specific gift they would like to make to the library may receive more information by calling Bianchi at 359-1123.

This project comes at a time of the Kingwood Library's 20th anniversary in Kingwood.

"We hope everyone will join us in celebrating the 20th year through making our \$15,000 goal a reality," Bianchi concluded.

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'Ladies of the Library'

The "Ladies of the Library" are busy visiting each Kingwood business for donations to the Kingwood Branch of the Harris County Library. Pictured are some of the volunteers: front

Library 'ladies' seek donations

The "Ladies of the Library" are busy this week visiting each Kingwood business asking for donations to the Kingwood Branch of the Harris County Library.

Those women volunteering their time in this \$15,000 campaign are: Jenny Rodtke, Billie Brock, Janet Harbour, Maggie LaBove, Fritz

Guthrie, Paula Beste, Kathleen Butts, Marsha Davis, Allison Swift, Susan Falk, Darcel Weller, Jan Rosnagle, Bev Wright, Carole Meyer, Lois Byrnes, Joan Seaman, Sue Boles, Melba Turner, Linda Richter, Barbara Hoffman and Mary Yarnell.

Members of the executive com-

mittee are: Jenny Radtke, Billie Brock, Janet Harboury and Fritz Guthrie.

Persons interested in more information about the campaign should call Peggy Bianchi, chairman, at 359-1123.



LADIES OF THE LIBRARY. The Ladies of the Library recently visited each Kingwood business for donations to the Kingwood Branch of the Harris County Library. Volunteers, from left, front row, are Alta Basaldua, Melba Turner, Linda Richter; back row, Peggy Bianchi, Mary Yarnell, Bev Wright, Susan Falk and Billie Brock.

FOLK NEWS

Observer 9-19-90

FOLK President Marianne Lincoln announces plans for a residential canvas as part of the annual Buy A Book campaign for the Kingwood Branch Library. Dates of the neighborhood walk will be Nov. 7-11.

Kathryn Thomas and co-chairs Paula Beste and Judy Foody will head the campaign. Richard Bianchi will chair the business and professional campaign to be held later.

FOLK will be assisted by

members of the Kingwood Women's Club and the National Charity League. Workers are needed to assist in the campaign. If interested, call Judy Foody at 359-7594.

Kingwood residents will be asked for a suggested \$15-per-person donation. All funds collected from the Buy-A-Book campaign stay in the community and are used for the purchase of books and equipment at the Kingwood Library only.

THE OBSERVER

FOLK launches campaign to refurbish library

By BETTY HASKINS
Observer staff

KINGWOOD - Kingwood's Friends of the Library (FOLK) is launching a massive campaign to enable them to buy new books and materials.

This year's theme, "A book is a door to a new world; help open these doors," will grace the covers of over 15,000 brochures.

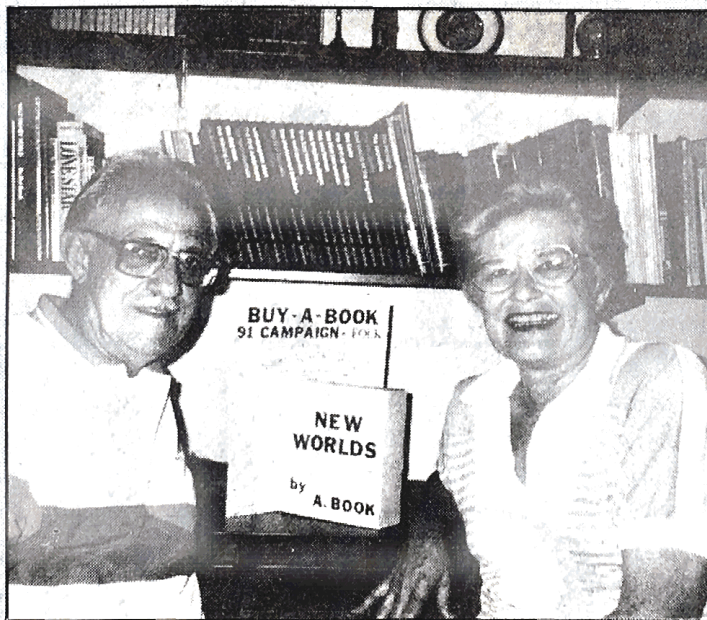
FOLK alternates its campaign-raising techniques from year to year, said Bob Watkins, board member and volunteer. Last year's campaign raised over \$32,000. Adult and children's books and shelving for paper backs was purchased with last year's donations.

The drive this year will be strictly a mail campaign. In order to adequately canvas the area door to door, at least 600 volunteers are needed.

"Our library is one of the best libraries in the county system. The circulation in Kingwood alone is over 36,000. This averages to 11 books per card holder - the best ratio of any county," said Watkins.

The Kingwood Library opened its doors in August 1983 with 19,000 books. There are now over 60,000 books on the shelves. The children's reading program, sponsored this summer by the library, had the participation of over 800 children.

The campaign kick-off begins Oct. 1 and runs through Oct. 15. All private or corporate donations will be appreciated. Donations can be sent to: Friends of the Library - Buy-A-Book Campaign, 5353 Kingwood Dr., Kingwood, Texas 77325-5353. All funds received stay in the local library.



Bob and "Gus" Watkins are preparing for the FOLK library campaign. The program is held yearly to enable the organization to buy new books and materials for the Kingwood Library. The campaign kicks off Oct. 1 and runs through Oct. 15.



BOOK SALE. Wanda and Herb Hudson announce the FO sale Sept. 20 and 21 at Kingwood Library. FOLK has received hardback and paperback books to select from.

FOLK sponsoring mail campaign for library

By PAM DETTMERS
FOLK publicity

Friends of the Library Kingwood (FOLK) are sponsoring a Buy-A-Book Mail Campaign through Oct. 15. All residents of Kingwood and Forest Cove should have received a campaign letter. If you did not, contact the Kingwood Library or the campaign chair-couple, Gus and Bob Watkins, at 358-7499.

FOLK appreciates the contributions which have been sent in, and urge each household to assist in efforts to maintain and further the quantity and quality of library materials for the Kingwood Library.

In September 1991, FOLK in-

stalled paper-back book shelving for the Young Adult and Juvenile Sections, and for Adult mysteries. They have been a tremendous help to the librarians in keeping the books neat and available.

Another recent FOLK acquisition is an IBM Corrective Selectra typewriter, which is available to the public during library hours. The librarians suggest that you call ahead if you would like an appointment to use it. Currently, it is being used extensively.

The above items are just a small sampling of the recent FOLK gifts to the library, which Kingwood residents' generous contributions have made possible. Your continued support is appreciated.



Macle Cawley, assistant librarian at the Kingwood Library, checks a book in the new Paper-back Shelving, which FOLK provided.

FOLK honors library's supporters

Friends of Library Kingwood recognized a number of individuals and companies at a Sept. 16 ceremony for their continuing support of FOLK's work with the Kingwood Library.

Books with plaques signifying the names of honorees were presented. The books will remain in the library for use by the public.

After the reception, FOLK held its monthly board meeting. If you are interested in becoming a FOLK member, call Mary Markway at 358-3944.

Following is a list of honorees:

Tom Shipman, Leon Hale, Judy Foody, Sam Glass, Kingwood Women's Club-Nancy Matthews, National Charity League-Cathy Anderson, Kingwood Garden Club, Frank Simonton, Kathryn Thomas.

Larry Terry of *The Kingwood Echo*, Darlynn Gayle, formerly of *The Kingwood Observer*, Linda Dumas, Sam Martin, Madeline Kozma of *The Houston Chronicle*, Pope Shealy of Friendswood, Latest and Greatest Videos, Elizabeth Martin and Kingwood Now, David Stotlar, the Kingwood High School A Cappella Choir.

Ginny Armour of Stop & Go, Larry Mayfield of Domino's Pizza, Joe Frey Jr., David Grimes of Kingwood Garbage Service, Gracy Hay-Roe, Paula Beste, Nueda Heibler and Steve Dunn.



HONORED. Marianne Lincoln, left, president of FOLK, honors Grace Hay-Roe during recent ceremonies recognizing supporters of the FOLK program.



RECOGNIZED. Linda Dumas, right, is honored by Marianne Lincoln, FOLK president,



GOOD FOLKS. Bob and Gus Watkins, are conducting the annual fall Buy-a-Book campaign for Friends of the Library Kingwood in a special mailing to area residents. The drive continues through Oct. 15, but donors may bring contributions by the library at Lake Houston and Rustic Bridge any time during operating hours.

FOLK buy-a-book mail campaign continuing

The annual fall Buy-a-Book campaign will continue until Oct. 15, say organizers of the event.

More than 15,000 letters were sent to area residents during the special mail campaign, says Nancy, also known as "Gus" Watkins says, and about \$32,000 was raised during last year's door-to-door campaign. "When they give money to FOLK, it stays here," she adds.

She and her husband, Bob, have been involved with FOLK for about

a year and she says the annual fall book campaign is taxing but rewarding.

Her voice reflects an enthusiasm for the work she is doing on the FOLK board and the annual book drive.

She says there is room for another 20,000 books in the Kingwood Library, which has been ranked the most used library in Harris County, she says, based on the number of books checked out per library cardholder.

Another distinction she and her husband share is that of co-founders of a local group called Retired Energetic Couples of Kingwood," which is affiliated with the Kingwood Hi Neighbor organization.

The formation of the group stems in part from their perceived need for activities in which retired couples — not just women. Among activities have been out-of-town trips and local trips to places such as the IMAX theater.

FOLK recognizes individuals for support of library

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• Judy Foody - "What Do I Read Next? A Reader's Guide to Current Genre Fiction," Ref. 025. 54 Wha; R0619336191.

• Sam Glass - "A World of Ideas, II" by Bill Moyers.

• Kingwood Women's Club, Nancy Matthews - "Sotheby's Concise Encyclopedia of Porcelain," 738.209 So; R0619690862.

• National Charity League.

wood Observer - "Passing Parade: A History of Popular Culture in the Twentieth Century," 306.409 Pas; R0618725282.

• Linda Dumas - "The Book of 1,000 Plays: A Comprehensive Guide to the Most Frequently Performed Plays," Ref 809.2 Boo; R0618725973.

• Sam Martin - "Children's Literature Awards & Winners: A Di-

wood High School A Cappella Choir - "The Motown Album," by Ben Fong-Torres.

• Ginny Armour of Stop & Go - "The Day America Told the Truth," by James Patterson.

• Larry Mayfield of Domino's Pizza - "Game Day," by Thomas Boswell.

• Joe Frey, Jr. - "Dictionary of Finance," by Eitan A. Avneyon.

Guide to Card Games," by David Parlett.

• Grace Hay-Roe - "Larousse Gastronomique," Ref 641.03 Mon; R0617152567.

• Paula Beste - "The Oxford Illustrated Encyclopedia of the Arts," Ref 700.3 Oxf; R0615982615.

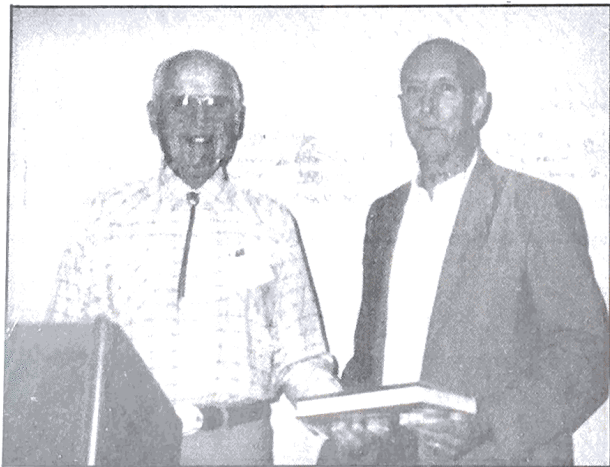
• Nueda Heibler - "The Unknown Leonardo," B Leo; R0619667021.

• Steve Dunn - "The National Parks Fishing Guide," by Robert Gartner.

• David Grimes of Kingwood Garbage Service - "The Oxford



(Top photo) Marianne Lincoln, FOLK president, and Honoree Nancy Matthews - representing Kingwood Women's Club. (Photo at left) Herb Hudson, "Mr. FOLK," and Joe Frey, honoree.



October 31, 1990

KINGWOOD OBSERVER

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COMMUNITY SCENE



Buy-A-Book

Workers for the upcoming Buy-A-Book campaign for the Kingwood Library recently got together to discuss plans. FOLK Board members shown are: front row, left to right, Cindy Ecklund, Branch Librarian; and Kathy Sharer, treasurer. Back row, Judy Warnack,

Kathy Spirakes, Wanda Bartels and Paula Tolbert. The Buy-A-Book campaign is Nov. 7-11. Local residents will be asked to invest \$15 minimum for the purchase of new books and equipment.

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Used books

Friends of the Library Kingwood needs used books for its next used book sale planned from 6 to 8 p.m. on Jan. 10 and from 9 to 10 a.m. Jan. 11 for FOLK members only, followed by a sale to the public from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Jan. 11 at the library, 4102 Rustic Woods. New donations are needed and may be brought by the library during normal operating hours.

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FOLK schedules used book sale

Friends of the Library Kingwood (F.O.L.K.) extend grateful "Thanks" to all local residents and businesses for supporting the activities and events that have benefited the Kingwood Library on Rustic Wood Drive.

Two upcoming events will need the continued support of the community. The first event will be the *Used Book Sale* being held on September 11 and 12.

Individuals desiring to contribute may bring their Used Books to the Library for recirculation in the community. The annual *Buy-A-Book* campaign begins October 1 and will continue throughout the

month.

The following items are just a few of the many "extras" that local contributions have supported:

A typewriter for public use, laminator, (staff use only) index tables, films and tapes, large print books, children's books, special book series ('92 Vols. on "Justices") music cassettes, talking books, paper-back shelving, special interest magazines ('92 Corporate Job Outlook), Special Financial Reports ('91-'92 "The Chartist").

Check the library often for additions that the whole family can use and enjoy.

Book sale

The Friends of the Library of Kingwood will sponsor a used book sale 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Jan. 11 at the library, 4102 Rustic Wood. The group lost many of its resale books because of rain damage, and members ask people to donate books for the sale by dropping them off at the library. For information, call 360-6804. This

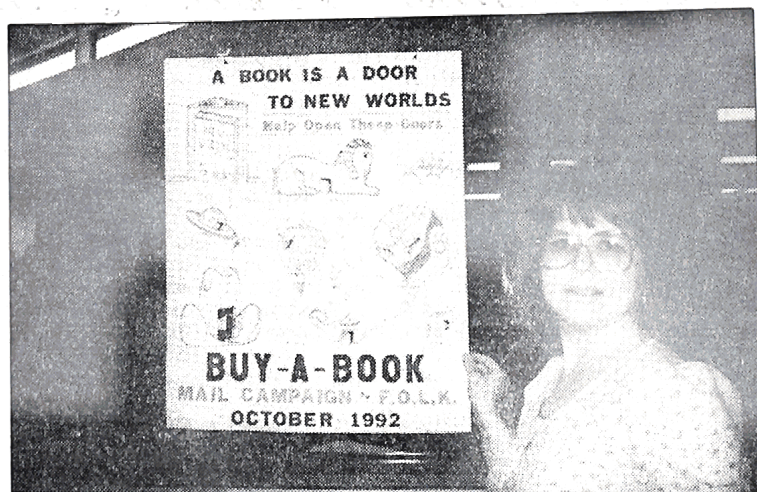
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FOLK MEMBERSHIP. Persons wishing to become a member of FOLK (Friends of the Library - Kingwood), should contact Mart Markway at 358-3944.



Buy-A-Book

Houston Chronicle 9-30-92

Karen Switz, Kingwood librarian, is hoping for a successful Buy-A-Book mail campaign. Last year's efforts netted more than \$14,000. Donations can be sent to: FOLK Buy-A-Book Campaign, 5353 Kingwood Dr., Kingwood, Tx., 77325-5353. The mail campaign runs throughout October.

FOLK campaign spurs on library

BY SARAH BONASSIN

Before there was a Harris County branch library in Kingwood, the local FOLK gave it their volunteer time and support.

FOLK stands for "Friends of the Library, Kingwood," and it's the main reason the Kingwood library exists, said branch librarian Karen Switz. Switz joined the Kingwood library this year, bringing with her 14 years of experience in the Harris County Public Library system.

"They (FOLK) saw the need for a library and started talking to people about getting one started," she said. "They're still very active and continue to raise money for the library each year."

Last year, as a matter of fact, FOLK raised some \$44,000 through its various fundraising efforts, including an annual "Buy-A-Book" campaign and five used book sales.



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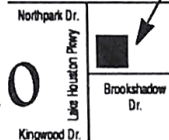
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The sales afford area residents a "garage sale" for discarded books and an opportunity to support their community library at the same time.

This year the Buy-A-Book campaign is slated October 1-31. The campaign takes the form of mailouts to area residents, said FOLK president Wanda Bartels. Bartels joined the organization in 1979. "We have five children, and we had no library here," said Bartels. We soon grew weary of the commute to the Houston Public Library and joined the effort to get a library started in Kingwood, she explained.

Kingwood Branch Library was dedicated on August 21, 1983. FOLK plans a 10th anniversary celebration in 1993, said Bartels.

Currently, approximately 102 area residents belong to FOLK. The organization's primary function, said Bartels, is to raise money for the library, often supplementing the county budget, and to provide books and other services. This year, for example, the library was able to put in new track lighting, thanks to FOLK funds.

Over the years the library's collections and services have expanded to meet the needs of its continually growing community. On July 31, 1986, for example, library records show a collection of 33,621 books. On that same date in 1992, the number had grown to 80,926. The library checks out an average of approximately 32,000 books per month, said Switz.

Including "nonbook materials," she added, the library's collections total at more than 150,000 volumes. Nonbook materials, she explained, include filmstrips, videos, language cassettes, "talking" books or books on tape, compact discs, music cassettes, some circulating magazines for children as well as adults, children's book-cassettes and a few small framed prints.

If a patron cannot find an item at the Kingwood branch be it a book, a CD or a filmstrip, library employees make an effort to track it down via interlibrary loan, searching the 22 additional branches in the Harris County Public Library system, Houston Public Library and university libraries.

"We'll even go out of state to find it," said Switz. Three vans owned by the Harris County system make daily runs to service library needs.

The Kingwood library employees a staff of ten, including four librarians, four desk assistants, one janitor and



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FOLK seeking donations for yearly library programs

The Friends of the Library Kingwood (FOLK) invite the community to take advantage of a whole year of opportunity to find new friends, adventure, knowledge and enjoyment.

A \$15 donation to FOLK enables the library to provide many extras for the community. Early ac-

cess to the Used Book Sale gives you an edge in obtaining fabulous buys in hardback and paperback books, records, magazines, tapes, etc.

Just ask at the library desk or call Mart Markway at 358-3944 for details on joining or renewing your yearly membership in FOLK.

FOLK needs used books

Friends of the library in Kingwood need used books for the Used Book Sale to be held in May.

Those interested should drop books by the library to be sorted and organized. Sharing the books helps to recycle and it benefits the community.

Tapes, CDs, records and games will also be accepted for resale.

Kingwood programs

The Harris County Public Library will feature a preview of the F.O.L.K. Used Book Sale 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. May 9 in the library at 4102 Rustic Woods Drive in Kingwood.

A preview of the book sale will be open to F.O.L.K. members only 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. May 8. Other library activities include a pre-school craft program for children ages three to five 10:15 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. May 14 at the library. A familytime storytime 7 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

The Carranza Puppets will present "The True Story of Little Red Riding Hood" 4 p.m. to 4:40 p.m. May 27 at the library. For more information on these programs call 360-6804.



Library benefit

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Herb Trussell, president of Woodland Hills Trails Association, and Rose Mary Gresham, FOLK Art Show chairman, agree that April 25-26 will be the dates for the 21st Kingwood Art Show. It will be held at Woodland Hills Village Green, located behind the Court of Kingwood Shopping Center on Woodland Hills Drive and Lake Hills Drive. For booth information, contact FOLK, P.O. Box 5353, Kingwood, Texas 77325.

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FOLK

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Calendar

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FOLK art show scheduled April 25, 26 in Kingwood

The Friends of the Library, Kingwood will hold its 21th annual art show April 25 and 26 at Woodland Hills Village Green. The show will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday and at 11 a.m. Sunday.

More than 150 artists and craftspersons from the area and region are expected to attend and display fine arts and crafts, including oil paintings, water colors, pottery, jewelry, folk arts, sculpture, weaving, toy making, photography and clothing.

The show, one of the oldest traditions in Kingwood, is sponsored by FOLK with proceeds from booth

rentals benefitting the Kingwood Library.

A refreshment booth staffed by FOLK members and other organizations including National Charity League and Kingwood will serve coffee, cold drinks, candy pizza and other items.

The show will run until 5 p.m. both days and will be held on Lake Hills Drive and Woodland Hills Drive.

For further information or those wishing to participate may send a stamped-self-addressed envelope to: FOLK, P. O. Box 5353, Kingwood, 77325.

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BOOK WORMS. Gus Watkins of the Friends of the Library-Kingwood Buy-A-Book campaign looks over the 15,700 letters that were mailed to everyone in Kingwood and Forest Cove. The annual campaign solicits funds to buy books and materials for the local library. Donations may be delivered or mailed to FOLK at the Kingwood Library.

Community news

Library gets new system

In November, the Kingwood Library increased the ability of users to locate books, titles, and subjects in the library system by adding the CD-ROM Catalog Computer system. This was financed through the Friends of the Library Kingwood with their various activities.

There are several advantages of the CD-ROM over the microfiche card catalog. CD-ROM is much faster than microfiche.

Both adult and juvenile catalogs are combined, letting the user have more information at his immediate disposal. CD-ROM is updated more often than microfiche, allowing the catalog to be more current. It also allows the use of a keyword that will show the listing of all entries that

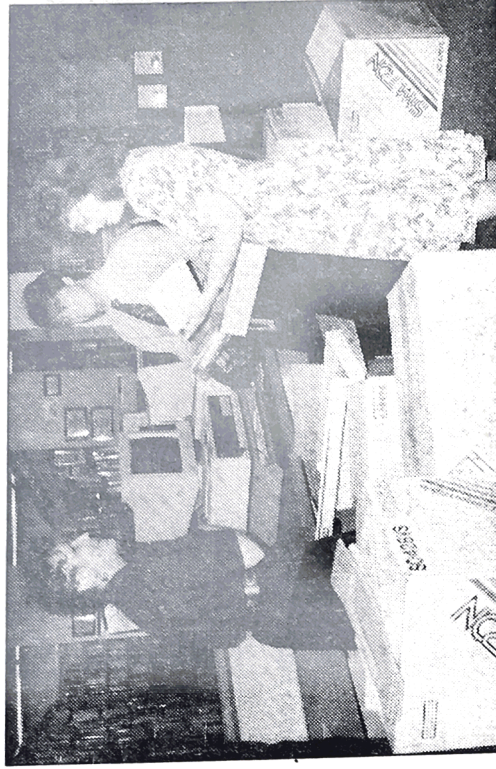
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Both systems will continue to be available for the user and the library personnel will be glad to assist you in learning the new system.

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Karen Switz and Christi Whittington supervise the installation of the new CD-ROM Catalog Computer System in the Kingwood Library financed by Friends of Library Kingwood.

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Future FOLK and Library activities are the Adult Christmas Party on Wednesday, December 9 7 p.m. and the Children's Christmas Party on Wednesday, December 16 7 p.m. All residents are welcome to attend.

A Capella Choir to sing at library Christmas fest

The Kingwood High A Capella Choir, under the direction of David Stotlar, will be featured at the Kingwood Branch Library Christmas Party. The annual party sponsored by F.O.L.K. will be held Wednesday, December 9 at 7 p.m. in the library.

The Kingwood Garden Club has provided a large Christmas tree for library patrons to enjoy. Area patrons can help adorn the tree by bringing a tree ornament if they

choose.

The award winning A Capella Choir will present a medley of songs appropriate to the holidays at 7:30 p.m.

Following the choir, F.O.L.K. will provide refreshments in the library meeting room. The library staff and F.O.L.K. urge residents to come to the library and be part of this community celebration. For more information, call the library at 360-6804.

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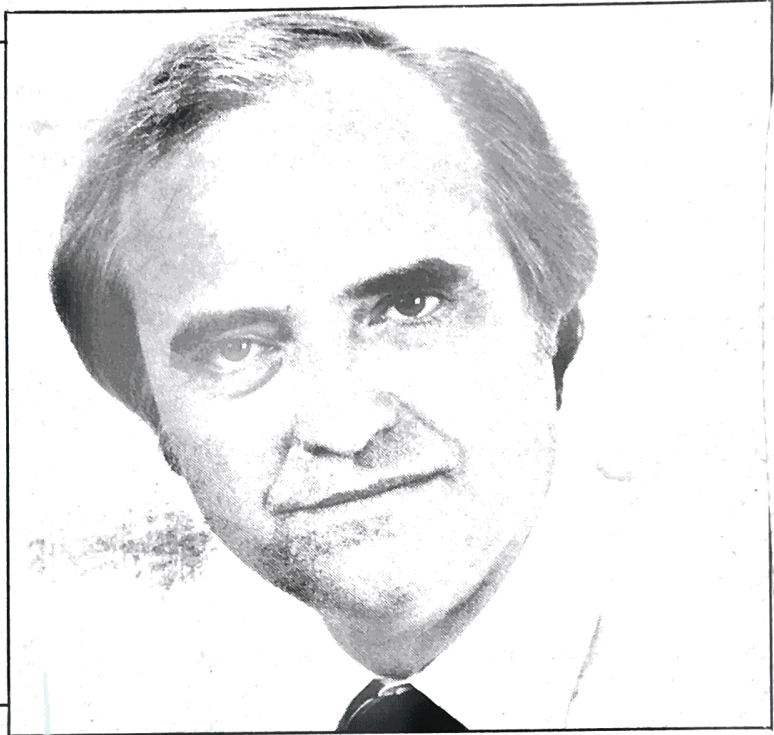
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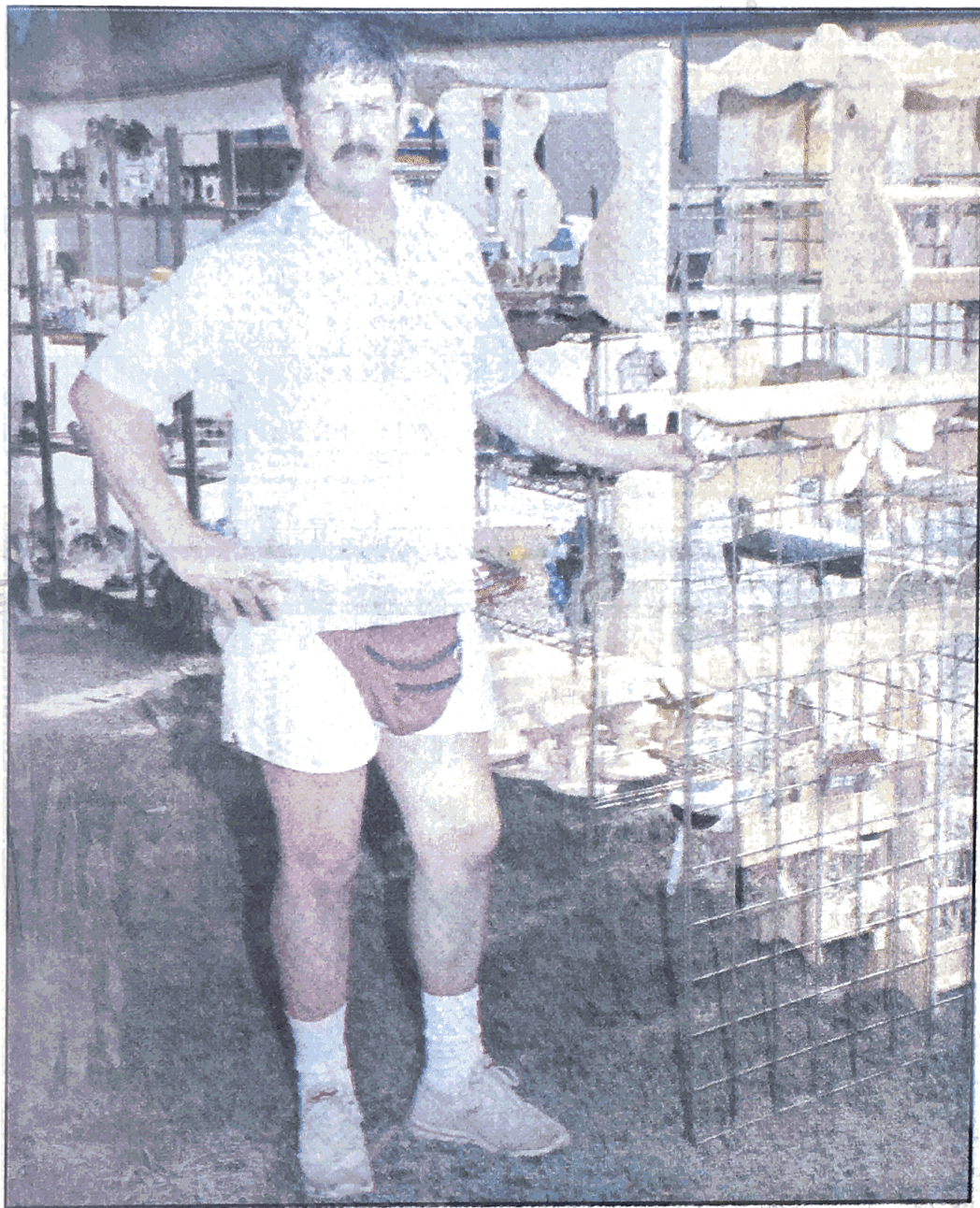
Ashby to speak

Friends of the Library Kingwood (FOLK) will present Houston Post editor/columnist Lynn Ashby as the guest speaker at its annual meeting slated for 7 p.m. on Monday, April 19 at the Kingwood Branch of the Harris County Library located at 4103 Rustic Woods Drive in Kingwood. FOLK is an organization dedicated to supporting and promoting a better library for all Kingwood area residents. The public is invited to attend the annual meeting, learn more about FOLK and meet Mr. Ashby. *Photo courtesy of The Houston Post.*



Kingwood Art Festival

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Steve Gooden

Richard Twiggs looks over the treasures at the Kingwood Art Festival, held June 12, in Wood-land Hills Village. Proceeds from the event benefit the Kingwood Library.