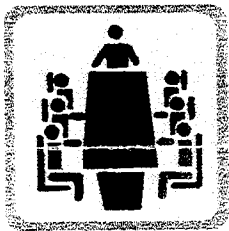
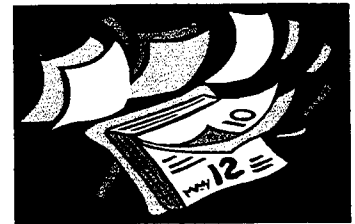


Friends of the Kingman Public Library

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**Get out your calendars and pencils!
There are a lot of Friends activities
coming up and you don't want to miss
any of them!**



The first date for you to remember is Wednesday, March 16. This is when we will be holding our Annual Meeting. We will meet in the program room at the library beginning at 6:30. We will have a brief business meeting, elect new officers and serve light refreshments. All members are invited! Please come and find out what you do!

This is a wonderful opportunity for you to hear from the members of the board and those involved in running the organization. The meeting will be short and informative.

Speaking of electing a new board, we are in need of a new president. In spite of very serious health problems, Irv Lubin has served faithfully and given a lot of time and energy to our organization. However, he needs to step

down at the end of his term. Don't let the title of president scare you. We have an excellent board right now and since everyone does their part, the president's tasks are minimal. If you've been a member for any length of time, you know the first newsletter of the year always has a plea for members to serve on the board. If you believe in the good the Friends of the Library does and would like to see it continue, please consider volunteering your time.

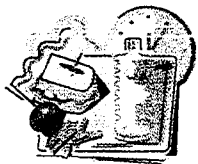
If you are interested in serving, please call Tami Belcher at 897-0920.



The next event is our Friends Festival. This will be held at the Katherine Heidenreich Senior Center on Saturday, April 16 from 9:30 am to 1:00 pm.

We have put together a very good program that we think you will enjoy. Rosanne Rosenberg, from the Mohave County Museum will give us an overview of the contents of the Museum as well as programs and other resources. She will be followed by Glenda Bonin and Esther Doetsch, two professional storytellers from the Tucson area. They will demonstrate the art of storytelling and help us better understand and appreciate this tradition.

We will conclude with a catered lunch.



Each attendee will receive a goody bag and a free book. The cost for this event filled morning is only \$7.50.

At the end of this newsletter is a registration form. Pre-registration is required and seating is limited. The deadline is April 9, so get your form in as quickly as possible.

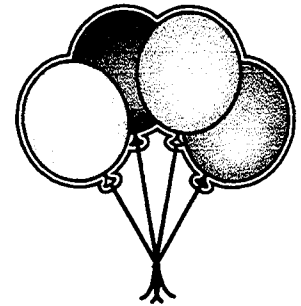
Valley Vista Friends will be helping us with this event, but we would welcome anyone who is willing to help set up or take down.

We also received this notice and wanted to pass it on to you. Sounds like fun!

Mark your calendars! The first annual KABAM! Festival (Kingman Area Books Are Magic) will be held Saturday, March 5, 2005,

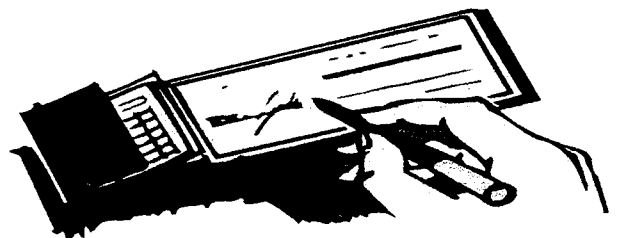
from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Centennial Park.

This free event will celebrate the love of books and reading and will feature authors, vendors and



entertainment! Join us for a fun-filled family day at the park! KABAM! is sponsored by the Mohave Library Alliance and the City of Kingman Parks and Recreation Department. For more information, contact Robert Shupe at (928) 757-0856 or visit the web site www.kingmankabam.org.

Believe it or not, it is membership renewal time again. Attached to this newsletter, you will find a membership renewal envelope. Please take a minute to renew your membership in the Friends. Our yearly dues help fund events, programs, new books and equipment for the library. All of these things help make the library a real asset to our community. By renewing your membership today, you will help us cut down on operating



expenses required for follow up reminders. We truly appreciate those of you who are long standing members and we welcome all the newer members as well.

If you have joined the Friends since the month of November, it is not necessary for you to renew at this time.



We have had two books sales since the last newsletter.

Our December book sale was an inside sale with our worth more books. We used the Critter Grams as part of our advertising strategy and it seems like they really paid off. We made \$2978.35!

We accidentally had more volunteers staffing the sale than we should have and we apologize for that. But we appreciate all of you and are grateful for the help you give. These book sales are very popular in our community and we could not continue to hold them if we didn't have people willing to help out.

We had wonderful weather for our February sale. Since it had been only two months since our last sale, we didn't have as

many books available and we sold our outside books for 25 cents each. But we still raised \$2735.00.!

There were not as many people available to help with the sale this time and we REALLY appreciate those of you who worked double and even triple shifts.

Our next sale is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, May 6 & 7, so please bring in the extra books you no longer want for this sale. Something else to add to your calendars!

After several months of discussion, the board agreed to earmark \$5000 for new computers for the library. Part of the library's purpose is to serve the community, and free access to a computer is a real asset to many people. The current computers are outdated and slow. We are working in conjunction with the library to get as many computers updated as we can for the money, without getting too carried away!



News from the Library....

Ferrell Morgan, the Public Services Manager, is retiring on the 28th of February. He started out in Technical Services and moved into his present job about 4 years ago. After retiring, Ferrell plans to move to California and eventually to Oregon.



The library is moving forward with plans to remove the old circulation area and set up a new one. The circulation desk will be located in the center of the library and all the computers will then be moved to the wall to the right of the entrance. This will make it easier for the staff to see the patrons as well as the computer area. The front area will also be repainted.

The library may be closed one or two days during this renovation, scheduled for sometime in March. Be sure to check the schedule before making a trip to the library.

The library will be getting a new set of Encyclopedia Britannica sometime in March. The Friends used City Grant money to make this purchase. We appreciate the continued support from the City of Kingman!

Friends come alive in 2005

Friends' Festival

Saturday, April 16, 2005

9:30—1:00 p.m.

\$7.50—Includes lunch

Seating is limited.

Deadline is April 9. You must register.

Katherine Heidenreich Adult Center
1776 Airway Drive
Kingman, AZ

Guest speakers:

Rosanne Rosenberg - Mohave Museum

Glenda Bonin and Esther Doetsch - National Storytelling Network

"The Art of Storytelling - we'll tell you the when, where, why, what and how of 'Once Upon a Time'."

Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

F.O.L. Group: _____

Enclosed registration fee \$ _____

Please make checks payable to: Friends of the Kingman Library, PO Box 7000, Kingman, AZ 86402-7000

Hosted by the Friends of the Kingman and Valle Vista Libraries

For more information, please contact

Tami Belcher at 928-897-0920

Registration deadline: April 9, 2005

