

Friends of Library To Organize On Bainbridge

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Bainbridge Island's public library gained a new public relations tool when first steps were taken toward a Friends of the Library organization at a meeting of interested citizens and former library board members held at the library on October 22.

The Friends' steering committee will meet with the Bainbridge Library Board at their regular November 16 meeting to talk over goals and organizational details.

Mrs. Davis Melvin of Overlake Friends (Bellevue) told of the usefulness of the Friends of the Library at the October meeting, which was chaired by Mrs. Harold Mansfield.

Some of the projects discussed which the Bainbridge Friends might support were: Increased story hours for children (at the present these are held only in summer months); purchase of a film or slide projector for the library; sponsorship of service to shut-ins; promotion of use in the community of the Library for the Blind and of the books for the visually handicapped; a film festival of Washington film-circuit films which are available to

libraries; book reviews and book discussion groups; larger committee to help with the annual rummage sale; an annual event to bring "library friends" of the community together to hear a special speaker.

"As individuals many residents of Bainbridge Island have been friends of the library for years, helped build it and now support it annually," said Mrs. William D. Plommer, a member of the steering committee. "In Friends of the Library we are organizing this support into a body which can keep the whole

community aware of services our library offers. It will be a way to reach out into the community to tell everyone what the library has for him. It will also be a way to give to our community library additional equipment and materials which will be of use to the public."

Members of the steering committee are Mrs. Lyman Black, Jr., Mrs. Philip Keith, Mrs. Harold Page, Mrs. Andrew Kirkman, Mrs. Lucille Galbraith, Mrs. Frank Hoelterhoff, Mrs. Gene Fadden, Mrs. Plommer and Mrs. Mansfield. 11/4/70