

FRIENDS OF HENDERSON LIBRARIES

Henderson, Nevada

1999-2000

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1999-2000 Accomplishments

- Katz & Associates, a public affairs consulting firm, worked with the Henderson District Public Libraries from October through December 1999 to plan for the establishment of Friends of HDPL and to develop a business package for HDPL. During December 1999 and January 2000, stakeholder interviews were held, and potential Friends steering committee and officers were identified. Fundraising was seen as an integral part of the new organization with an eye toward establishing a foundation in the near future to serve as the fundraising arm of HDPL. Volunteer activity was viewed as critical to the success of both Friends and HDPL.
- Newly organized Friends held its first meeting February 9, 2000, and the non-profit organization was incorporated February 25, 2000. By-laws were established and officers were elected in March and April of 2000.
- A values statement was adopted: *Knowledge is the cornerstone of growth, excellence, professionalism, and understanding. Next to existence, expanding knowledge is the most basic need that can be satisfied. We are in the midst of the most profound intellectual revolution of all time. The Henderson District Public Libraries [the Library] is at the forefront of giving people in our neighborhoods the tools to achieve knowledge through the use and/or loan of thousands of books, CDs, and multi-media information. The Friends of the Henderson District Public Libraries is a volunteer organization committed to publicizing and promoting the programs and collections of the libraries through development, education, information and public outreach.*
- Six general membership levels were established: Buddy (under 12), True Friend, Family Friends, Devoted Friends, Ardent Friends, and Best Friends.

Note: The by-laws name the Chair of the Henderson Libraries Board as an ex-officio member of the Friends Board, but from 1999-2002 Kathy Jumper served as liaison to work closely with the new group.

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