

## LAKE FOREST PARK LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

22 JUNE 2022

PRESENT: Grant Blume (chair), Maureen Kerschbaum, Diana McQuay, Catherine Kernan, Shannon McLeod, Alice Darnton (KCLS), Kathleen Fernandes (secretary)

ABSENT: Alexa Johnson

- KCLS Report
  - The committee met Alice Darnton, the new regional manager of the Alder District (Lake Forest Park, Shoreline, Richmond Beach, Kenmore, and Bothell libraries). Alice comes to KCLS from the Pierce County Library System and has also worked for the McMinnville (OR) Public Library.
  - Alice reports that the Lake Forest Park Library will be a day sponsor at the Farmer's Market on June 26. They will promote the library's summer reading program and she will ask them to promote READS as well. She will arrange providing flyers and bookmarks to the library staff.
  - The Friends of the Library will hold a pop-up book sale at the Farmer's Market on July 10 from 10 am to 2 pm.
  - The Lake Forest Park Library will hold an in-person book discussion of *Facing the Mountain* by Daniel James Brown, this year's READS selection, on July 19 from 6:30 pm to 8 pm. This event is limited to 20 participants. Register online at <https://kcls.bibliocommons.com/events/62826b667a5c6b3600023307>
  - The library will also hold an in-person program on Rock Painting from SilverKite Community Arts on August 23 from 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm. This event is limited to 12 participants. Register online at <https://kcls.bibliocommons.com/events/629d18fadb121f4100887db0>
  - Julie Hiers has moved from Children's Services to Teen Services and Jasmina Jusic, formerly at the Shoreline Library, has been named the Alder Region's second Librarian and Information Services Manager.
- READS update
  - The committee updated the timeline of actions for the annual READS program. Author Daniel James Brown will appear in a Zoom event on July 25 at 7 pm. Register for that program at <https://www.thirdplacebooks.com/event/virtual-event-daniel-james-brown>.
- Election of new secretary
  - The committee elected Catherine Kernan as interim secretary and will hold an election for a permanent secretary at the March 2023 meeting.
- Committee vacancy

- Grant will notify the mayor that the committee has a vacancy so that the city can start the process of advertising for applicants. If possible, the committee hopes that the position can be announced in early September with applicants attending the September 28, 2022, LAC meeting for interviews.
- Members thanked Kathleen for her 12 years with the Library Advisory Committee.
- What we've been reading
  - *The Cartographers* by Peng Shepherd
  - *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus
  - *State of Terror* by Hillary Rodham Clinton and Louise Penny
  - *The Lincoln Highway* by Amor Towles
  - *The Big Rock Candy Mountain* by Wallace Stegner
  - *The Ride of Her Life* by Elizabeth Letts
  - *The Fallen Stones* by Diana Marcum
  - *The Beekeeper of Aleppo* by Christy Lefteri
  - *Sooley* by John Grisham
  - *The Worst Best Man* by Mia Sosa
  - *Every Time I Find the Meaning of Life, They Change It* by Daniel Klein
  - *Man's Search for Meaning* by Viktor E. Frankl
  - *The Happiness Myth* by Jennifer Hecht
  - *Atomic Habits* by James Clear
  - *A World Without Email* by Cal Newport
  - *Sea of Tranquility* by Emily St. John Mandel
  - *Love & Saffron* by Kim Fay (set in Lake Forest Park)
  - *The Spare Man* by Mary Robinette Kowal
  - *The Murder of Mr. Wickham* by Claudia Gray
  - *This Time Tomorrow* by Emma Straub