

Lake Forest Park Library Advisory Committee Meeting 12.4.24

Present:

Alexa Johnson, President
Eloise Boyle, Vice President
Ann Gigli, Secretary
Eileen de la Cruz
Catherine Kernan
Lolly Smith
Alice Darnton, KCLS Representative

Absent:

Call to order: 7:03

KCLS Report:

- New ops manager at LFP - Michelle Doucette- say hello
- Programs coming up
 - Dec. 3 - Menopause 101 Navigating Change with Confidence - 13 people
 - Dec. 10 - **Wisdom Café** - Resolutions and your year in review - Variety of programs for aging people
 - Dec. 11 - Gingerbread zombies for teens
 - Dec. 14 - Friends of the Library pop-up book sale
 - Dec. 17 - Growing Houseplants Naturally
 - Dec. 21- The Dickens Carolers come to 3rd Place Commons

LAC Business :

1. Engaging with the Mayor's office: progress and status on various issues:
 - Jessica in the mayor's office has updated our website which now includes Lolly.
 - We have an open position which has been posted.
 - Alexa will look at application to make sure it is appropriate and encourages applications and will consult with Mayor's office as needed.
 - Alexa has contacted the Mayor's Office to get clarification from the Mayor regarding term limits. Terms currently begin when the mayor appoints a new committee member - the city website does not list a specific start date for new member terms. All members' terms end in February. We will propose that committee members' terms end in September.
2. Octavia Butler Committee Request
The LAC supports the Octavia Butler committee for community engagement with her books and her Lake Forest Park connection.
3. Banned Book Week October 5 - 11, 2025 The LAC is interested in expanding awareness of this national event in the City of Lake Forest Park through communication with the city council. KCLS frames this as a celebration the freedom to read. The committee will lay the ground work for a presentation to the city council and potential city proclamation of support.

Alexa will work with the Mayor's office to understand level of interest, scheduling timeline and other work needed.

2024-2025 meeting dates:

Wednesday March 26, 2025 pm, 7:00 pm
Wednesday June 25, 2025, 7:00 pm
Wednesday September 24, 2025, 7:00 pm
Wednesday December 3, 2025 7:00 pm

What we've been reading:

Alexa: Intermezzo - Sally Rooney
Book of the Year - Northwoods - Daniel Mason

Catherine: James - Percival Everett
Book of the Year: Horse and Hello, Beautiful

Eileen: Oh Caledonia - Elspeth Barker - Dark and Funny!
Book of the Year - Tomorrow, Tomorrow and Tomorrow

Eloise: The Grey Wolf - Louise Penny
Book of the Year - Tom Lake - Ann Patchett

Ann: Demon of Unrest - Erik Larson
Book of the Year: The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store - James McBride

Lolly: Death at the Sign of the Rook - Kate Atkinson
Absolution - Jeff Vandermeer
Sarah Maas Series

Alice: The Lost Village - Camilla Sten
Slow Dance - Rainbow Rowell