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**The Friends of the Kansas Libraries (FoKL) Annual Meeting will be held
Friday October 20, 2023, at 9:00am, via ZOOM. The ZOOM link is:
at. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84940394057>**

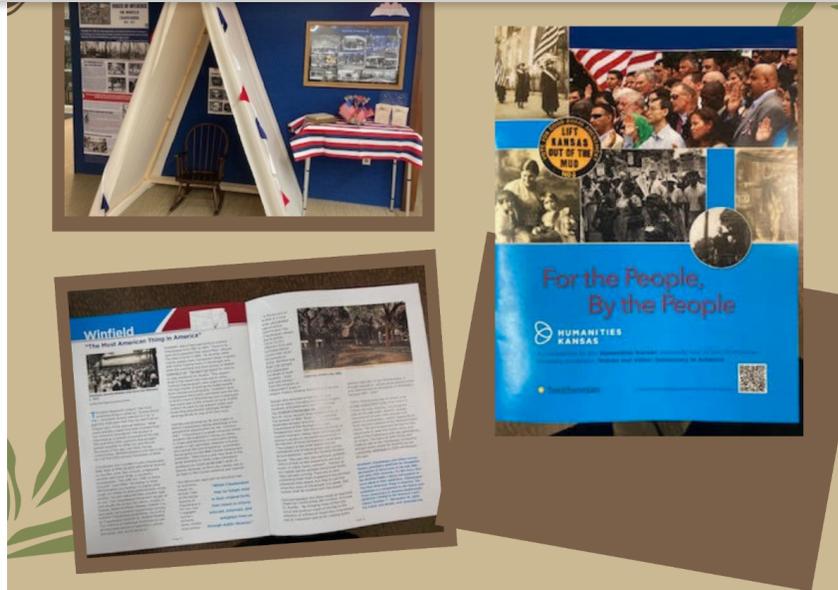
There will be an election of officers and Trustees. The slate of nominees is:

President: Judy Burgess
Vice President: Linda Knupp
Secretary: Cheryl Sylvester
Treasurer: Laura Carroll

Trustees:
CKLS: Janet Schmidt
NEKLS: Laura Carroll

Please plan to join us for the Annual Meeting.

Jan Schmidt
Membership Committee



The Smithsonian Museums on Main Street exhibit-Voices and Votes opened earlier this month at Winfield Public Library with a special event for Friends during their regular monthly meeting to celebrate National Friends of the Library Week and allow Friends the first opportunity to officially view the exhibit. The refreshment table was prepared by the library directors to honor Friends as National Friends Week is coming up. Humanities Kansas is also a sponsor of the exhibit during its time in Kansas. One photo shows the cover of a special magazine prepared to highlight communities that have a historical connection to some aspect of the exhibit and Winfield is noted in the magazine because of the years it had the Chautauquas.

ALA Committee on Library Advocacy releases Advocacy Action Plan Workbook

<https://www.ala.org/news/press-releases/2023/09/ala-committee-library-advocacy-releases-advocacy-action-plan-workbook>

Some interesting end-of-Summer reading

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electronically in *The Marginalian*

<https://www.themarginalian.org/2014/04/09/the-public-library-robert-dawson-book/>

AWARDS AND GRANTS

Every year we sponsor Awards and give out Challenger Grants to Friends groups working across the state of Kansas to assist their local libraries. Click the button below to find the forms and full explanations of these awards.

Awards and Challenge Grants

CLICK BELOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF FOKL

Print Out a Membership Form and Join Us

Here is an ALA Link that might be helpful...

<https://www.ala.org/advocacy/advocacy-action-planning>

First Friday with Friends

First Friday with Friends is a monthly gathering of Friends Groups, Members, Librarians, and those who love libraries. It is usually held on the First Friday of the month at 9:00 am central (8:00 am mountain) via Zoom. To receive reminder emails and follow-up materials, please email FoKL Board Member, Amy Brucker, at director@syracuselibrary.info. Here is a list of previous sessions and you can check the link below to find them.

Want to see a 1st Friday meeting that you missed? They are on file on the FOKL website at <https://fokl.net/firstfriday/>

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