American Library Association
Committee Information Update

Midwinter Conference 2017, Atlanta
Name of Committee: Public and cultural Programs Advisory committee (PCPAC)
Committee Chair: Cassandra Barnett

Committee Members Present: Cassandra Barnett (chair); Suzan Alteri; Amber Conger; Jason Dupree; Sara Eckelberry (via Google Hangout); Amita Kaur Lonial; Stephanie Saba; Erin Shea; Deb Robertson (staff liaison) Mary Davis Fournier (staff); Sarah Ostman (staff)

Visitors: Amy Walker, University of South Carolina; Stacey Jruitler, Tampa; Sara Marks; Janie Hermann

Accomplishments:

- A new Cultural Communities Fund brochure has been produced.
- The Programming Librarian Interest Group continues to be active and popular. The committee has encouraged members of the PLIG to volunteer to be on the advisory committee so that we can continue to coordinate activities.
- The Programming Librarian website continues to attract visitors and submissions to the program model.
- The professional development initiative, Libraries Transforming Communities: Models for Change trainings are in progress of being developed. The first is scheduled for February 9, 2017.

Planned activities

- ALA Cultural Communities Fund (CCF) fundraiser is planned for Annual at the new American Writers Museum in Chicago. Nikki Giovanni will be the featured author at the CCF fundraiser to be held on Friday, June 23. Tickets will be available with other ALA ticketed events at registration. There will be food, donated beverages, and donated silent auction items.
- Proposed nine programs, plus preconference workshop for Annual, 2017.
- The committee is exploring ways to provide programming and resources that address issues facing small/rural libraries.
- Will schedule a conference call with the committee to discuss possible subgroups and assignments.

Other comments/information you believe will help the Association in its work: Not at this time

Submitted by: Cassandra Barnett, chair
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