



The Book Report

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Friends of the Lakewood Library

As we slowly return to normal times here at the FoLL, we would like to receive feedback from you, the reader. What would you like to see us do in the future? What would you like to know about our organization? And would you like to help our cause? If you would like to reach out, please contact us at 90712foll@gmail.com

Taste of Lakewood Returns

Lakewood Block Party to be Held on 6/25/22 from 4pm-8pm

Times Change. Values Don't. Our Lakewood motto is definitely apparent in today's world. We have been constrained in many ways, but as soon as the opportunities arise to resume events and activities that we value, we jump right in. Of course, the longer the wait, the more difficult resuming is, but our FoLL Spirit is pushing us forward.

You may have already noticed information about the return of Lakewood's Block Party in June. We are proud to say that our efforts will again make it possible for the Lakewood Libraries to continue to benefit from the food sales. There will be a wide variety of food and beverages offered by Lakewood...

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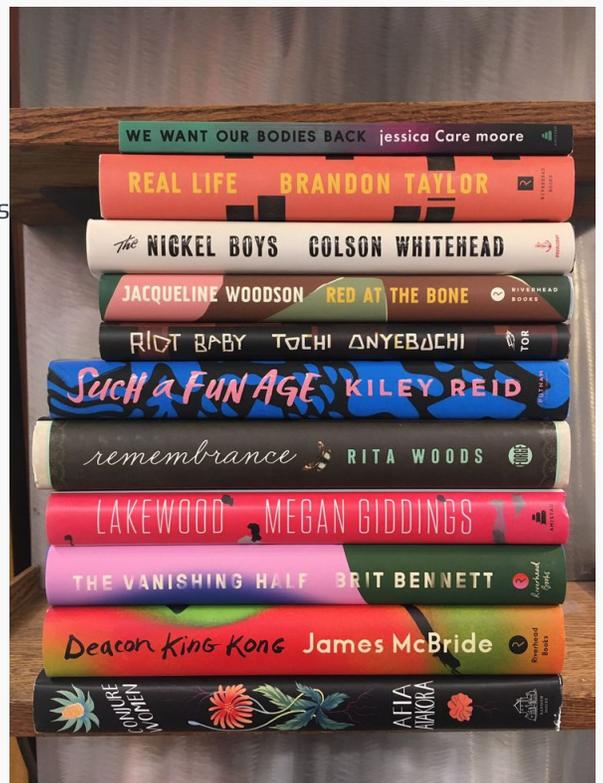
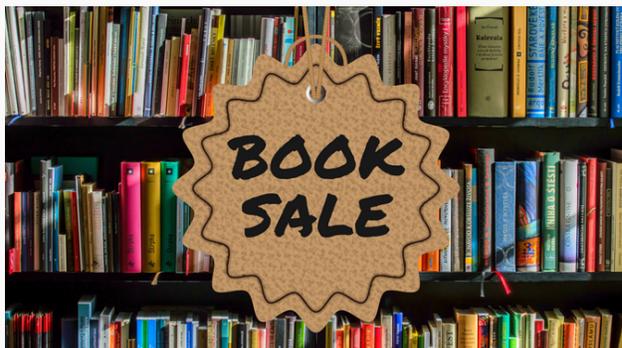
Mega October Book Sale!!!

FoLL Book Sale Set to Return This October

Can you imagine a book sale with twice as many books as past FoLL book sales? As Always there will be:

- All-day Friday reserved for members
- Books sorted by genre to make browsing easier
- Helpful, friendly volunteers,
- GREAT prices!

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Taste of Lakewood Cont. Participating Vendors

shops and restaurants as well as four food trucks with Lakewood connections. It's obvious that residents are eager to enjoy the event after waiting since 2018. We expect over 20,000 will attend between 4 and 8:30pm June 25th.

Now for the bottom line - we **need** lots and lots of volunteers to make this happen. In addition to our loyal FoLL volunteers who manage the Taste of Lakewood portion of the Block Party, we will need pairs of adults to sell tickets in two booths and teens to collect the tickets at the windows where the food is ordered. There will be two shifts, and everyone says it's a lot of fun. In other words you can help the Lakewood Libraries by supporting these community events and enjoy the experience. Circle June 25th for the event on your calendars and if you would like to volunteer, please call or text Sharon Roder at 562-884-3526.



- Black Angus
- Cassidy's Corner Cafe
- Charo Chicken
- Chinitos Taco
- Costco Lakewood
- George's Greek Cafe
- Kabobaholic
- Kona Ice
- LaMichoacana Crazy Delights
- Manna Kettle Korn
- Pepe's Red Tacos
- Pick Up Stix
- Raising Canes
- Red Robin
- Round Table Pizza
- Sugar from the Heart
- Yogurtland



Summer Library Events

Summer Discovery Programs and Summer Performances Return

Angelo M. Iacoboni and George Nye, Jr. libraries will be welcoming back our Summer Discovery Program from June 1 - August 14, 2022. Participants of all ages will read and/or complete suggested activities to earn books and other prizes. Participants can pick up their reading cards at

the library or visit LACountyLibrary.org to register online. Continuing to read and participate in enriching activities during the summer not only keeps our brains and bodies engaged and active, but it has been shown that reading during the summer can help our children retain their school year achievements and prepare them for the upcoming school year!



Iacoboni Library will be hosting summer performances on Wednesday June 8, July 20, and August 3 at 3pm. George Nye Library will also be hosting performances on Friday June 10, July 29, and August 5 at 4pm. These programs are for children and their families to enjoy. Visit or contact the library for more information.

October Book Sale cont.

In fact, there will be also some **special offers!**

We know that October seems like a long time to wait. In the meantime, please help make this also the best ever by encouraging additional people to volunteer. We'll need more assistance on Thursday arranging books for display, keeping the books in order during the sale, and also additional students to help patrons with their purchases. At the end of the sale Saturday, we must quickly move all books inside and clear the tables supplied by Lakewood Rentals.

We will be announcing the dates as soon as the libraries have their Fall schedules in place.

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Outstanding Friends of the Lakewood Libraries Scholarship Recipients

We have a recipient in each of the FoLL categories, graduation high school seniors and students continuing their post high school education. They will be recognized at the Lakewood Celebrates event preceding the City Council Meeting on June 14 as well as during the FoLL Annual Membership Meeting Nov. 6.

Pareeya Jiyacharoen, a senior graduating from Mayfair High School, has demonstrated her ability to be consistent in her effort to succeed by getting multiple awards for scholarships during high school. Her essay and volunteer work during the Summer Reading Program at Iacoboni Library show that she recognizes and appreciates the benefits that books and libraries offer to everyone. Her participation in several organizations shows her ability to work with others for a common goal and to help people in need.

During his initial year at Long Beach City College, Roque Gutierrez, or Post High School Scholarship recipient, has continued to show that he is willing to do the work needed to succeed. He has received the highest award in Scouting, the Eagle Rank. He has regularly volunteered for FoLL at special events as well as City of Lakewood events (Fest-of-All & Taste of Lakewood). He has also taken classes to help prepare for a future career in animation. He has an ambitious plan for his life that he is working toward.



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