Introducing 2nd Vice President & Event Manager

Lynley Peoples joined the DCPBK team in mid-October and has been hard at work creating fun events.

Lynley was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa in 2013 at George Mason University, where she received her Bachelor of Fine Arts in Theater. She is a DC area native who returned to her hometown this past winter. Her creativity is evident in her extensive background in event and project management. Her professional work includes planning and executing over fifty theatrical productions and arts festivals and 30 corporate, fundraising and high profile celebrity events.

In her free time, she crosses things off her travel and adventure bucket lists, participates in 5K fun runs, and sees as much theater as humanly possible. Her favorite play is *Noises Off*. Her favorite musical is a tie between *Les Mis* and *Dear Evan Hansen*. She is excited to bring her enthusiasm and creativity to DCPBK.
Announcements

- This month launches our **new speaker series**, which will feature a talk from a different expert each month. Each session will leave plenty of time for Q&A from the audience.

- **Share your favorite holiday recipes by December 10, 2020.** DCPBK is compiling recipes for the holiday season. Are you creative with your leftover Thanksgiving turkey? Do you have the secret to Grandma's Apple pie? Is your holiday roast the talk of the town? Are your Hanukkah latkes the envy of everyone? Do you butter up your neighbors with delicious Christmas cookies? We want to hear from you!

Send your holiday recipes and any pictures if you have them to Lynley at dcpbkevents@gmail.com.

November Events

**Coffee & Conversation: The DCPBK Speaker Series with Shawn Dunning**

Saturday, November 7

11am - 12pm

Grab a cup of coffee and join us for "Adventure Based Conflict Resolution" with guest speaker, Shawn Dunning. Shawn has a deep and extensive background in conflict management, team development, and leadership development, and will be speaking to us about the principles and practice of successful conflict management. He has had a varied and diverse career within the field of conflict management and team development, and will also be talking to us about some of his notable projects, including preparing groups of scientists for the harsh Antarctic winters as part of the United States Antarctic Program.

His other notable projects include organizing leadership development trainings for emerging leaders in West Africa, leadership training and coaching for Palestinian and Israeli social entrepreneurs, politicians, business leaders, and religious leaders, crisis-management communication skills for political leaders in Lebanon, and racial reconciliation work with members of Congress in the United States. His work has brought him to over 55 countries around the world and 49 states in the United States.

All DCPBK members and guests are invited to attend.
Speed Friending

Saturday, November 14
6:30pm - 8pm

During the pandemic, we are all stuck at home and making new friends is hard. Whether you're new to the DC area or an established Washingtonian, join us for speed friending. Learn from others about their DC bucket lists or things you must experience. You never know who else loves painting, playing the banjo or knows the best spot for tacos.

Join us November 14. This event is solely for the purpose of making new friends, not love connections. We will be matching participants in breakout rooms for short meetings before rotating to meet a new friend.

DCPBK members are invited to attend. Space is limited.

Fall Themed Trivia

Saturday, November 19
7pm - 8pm

The weather is getting cooler in DC. It's time to snuggle up and show off your smarts. DCPBK is hosting a fall themed trivia night on November 19. There are questions for all levels of fall lovers. Did you know that it takes about 36 apples to create one gallon of apple cider? Grab a cup and join us for the most delight fall event.

All DCPBK members and guests are invited to attend.
Ficciones
The DCPBK Book Club
Monday, November 23

Jorge Luis Borges has been called the greatest Spanish-language writer of our century. From his 1935 debut with the Universal History of Iniquity, through his immensely influential collections Fictions and The Aleph, these enigmatic, elaborate, imaginative inventions display Borges’ talent for turning fiction on its head by playing with form and genre and toying with language.

Registration for November events are live. Sign up today!

Registration for December Events begins on November 10!

We look forward to the day when we can resume our in-person events. In the meantime, we are continuing our adventures via Zoom. When you register for an event through our website, you will receive an email confirmation with the information to join the Zoom meeting online.
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**Volunteer:**

**Holiday Recipe Taste Tester**

Would you like to try out some of our holiday recipe submissions? Lynley is looking for volunteers to cook in their own kitchens, take a few photos of you cooking for our newsletter and share your experience in a few sentences. Of course, a perk is tasting the delicious food you've created.

If interested, please email Lynley at dcpbkevents@gmail.com.

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**White Elephant Book Exchange**

December 5

Join our annual holiday tradition: a white elephant gift exchange. No need to spend money. We love old and previously read books as much as new ones! When you register for the holiday party, instructions will be sent on how to get the books to the President/Vice Presidents for the virtual draft.

Optional: include a note in your book for the recipient about why you picked this book and/or your name/email address. You might gain a new pen pal!