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Hello board members, library staff, and friends of Northern Lights Library System.

NEXT WEEK

- Family Day Monday
- Tuesday there is a TRAC director's meeting
- Also Tuesday Vicky and I will present to the Towns of Vegreville and Viking
- Library Manager's Council is on Wednesday
- Friday is our regular board meeting at 8am. [The agenda is available online](#) which includes the Zoom link to attend – meetings are open to the public.

WORK THERMOMETER

- At the end of this week we have 57 open requests in our helpdesk actively being worked on
- Staff responded to 142 requests from our members last week
- Ops manager and finance officer, Terri Hampson, is on vacation this week – lucky!
- TSI were out to Vermilion and Morinville to install new Fortinet devices on the network

BOARD

- The Executive Committee meeting minutes are [now available](#).
- The Executive approved our 2023 [implementation plan](#).
- The first annual system [survey report](#) is now available.

OPERATIONS

- Circulation is up year over year from 2021 to 2022 by 38,400 system wide.
- Our Little Free Library (fridge) has returned home for repairs. Its seen some good use. It will resume its system tour in early spring.

LIBRARIES

SAVE THE DATE (sign-up coming soon) Northern Lights is excited to invite you to our first Speaker Session, featuring Chris Kutarna, Forward Thinker, and Futurist. This will be in conjunction with our May in-person Library Manager's Council. May 24, 2023 @ 1:30pm

In early 2016, Chris Kutarna stood on stage in front of 500 global business leaders and confidently made two predictions: that Britain would vote to 'Brexit' from the European Union and that Donald Trump would be elected President of the United States. Since then, he's traveled through four continents helping people to smash their old ways of seeing the world and make fresh sense of the time we live in. His first book, *Age of Discovery: Navigating the Risks and Rewards of Our New Renaissance*, is already an international best-seller, and tens of thousands now read his e-letter weekly from www.kutarna.net. Chris' secret for making sense of present-day complexities, he'll freely admit, is also his greatest weakness: he can't focus on anything. Chris is a Fellow at the University of Oxford (researching China's middle-class politics); and writes for everyone from "Vogue" to "The Guardian."

[This Talk](#) was given at a TEDx event using the TED conference format but independently organized by a local community.

*Poster also attached

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S.V. of Sunset Beach	County of Two Hills	Sturgeon County	M.D. of Wainwright
S.V. of Island Lake	Fishing Lake	Town of Bon Accord	Town of Vegreville
S.V. of Island Lake South	Frog Lake	Town of Bruderheim	Town of Vermilion
S.V. of Mewatha Beach	Lac La Biche County	Town of Gibbons	Town of Wainwright
S.V. of West Baptiste	M.D. of Bonnyville	Town of Lamont	Village of Chauvin
S.V. of Whispering Hills	S.V. of Pelican Narrows	Town of Morinville	Village of Edgerton
Smoky Lake County	Town of Bonnyville	Town of Mundare	Village of Innisfree

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Town of Smoky Lake
Village of Boyle
Village of Vilna
Village of Waskatenau

Town of Elk Point
Town of St. Paul
Town of Two Hills
Village of Myrnam

Town of Redwater
Town of Tofield
Town of Viking
Village of Andrew
Village of Holden
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Village of Irma
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If you have questions, concerns, compliments please direct them to the Executive Board representative for your zone.

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