

**NOTICE OF MEETING
SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER, 5:30 P.M.**
- 2. AGENDA APPROVAL**
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA** *(3 Minute Time Limit)*
- 4. RECONSIDERATION**
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
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- 13. COMMENTS OF THE CITY STAFF**
- 14. COMMENTS OF THE COUNCILMEMBER** *(if present)*
- 15. COMMENTS OF THE CHAIR**
- 16. COMMENTS OF THE BOARD**
- 17. ADJOURNMENT/NEXT REGULAR MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.** in the Conference Room located at City Hall, 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska

Session 18-06, a Regular Meeting of the Library Advisory Board was called to order by Chair Jacque Peterson at 5:31 p.m. on September 4, 2018 at the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.

PRESENT: BOARDMEMBERS PETERSON, KUSZMAUL, MASSION, FINN, FAIR, SPRINGER (Arrived at 6:00 p.m.), STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE BENEDETTI

STAFF: LIBRARY DIRECTOR DIXON
DEPUTY CITY CLERK TUSSEY

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

KUSZMAUL/MASSION MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS WRITTEN.

There was no further discussion.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

RECONSIDERATION

VISITORS/PRESENTATIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. August 7, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes

FINN/FAIR MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 7, 2018.

There was no further discussion.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

VISITORS/PRESENTATIONS

REPORTS

A. Library Director Report

Library Director Dixon provided an up-to-date laydown of the library statistics. She summarized her Director's report, with review and brief discussion on the following:

- Current status on the HPL Business Survey and number of participants so far;

- Departure of the summer library aide, and her successful work on book inventory;
- Additional work done on the HPL gardens;
- Upcoming deadline for Art in the Library submissions on October 8th, and the needed participation of one Library Advisory Boardmember on the selection committee;
- Training on homelessness with the Alaska State Library;
- Lunch with a Councilmember program starting up again;
- Community assistance programs being held in the library such as Needy Meds, Small Business Association workshops, Parent Cafes, and Medicare Minute;
- Low number of volunteer hours; common occurrence in the months of January and August.

B. Friends of the Library

PUBLIC HEARING

PENDING BUSINESS

A. Updated Displays-Exhibits Policy

Chair Peterson deferred to Library Director Dixon on the policy amendments. Ms. Dixon explained her reasoning for omitting permission verbiage all together; she and library staff agreed that giving permission for people to be in the public forum was not necessary, and simply notifying the front desk is requested as a courtesy. Boardmember Massion asked for clarification on barrier locations. Ms. Dixon described the areas: within the library building, under the covered entrance, along the front walkways that connect with sidewalks, and the parking areas. She also noted that these areas are listed in the policy.

Boardmember Kuzmaul questioned how people know there's a policy on this matter, if it's posted on the billboards or located at the front desk. Ms. Dixon clarified that because it is a public place that majority of individuals do think to ask beforehand, and that the policies can easily be accessed at the front desk for reference. There was brief deliberation on wording/verbiage suggestions for amending the revised areas in the policy draft on circulating petitions.

KUSZMAUL/MASSION MOVED TO APPROVE THE REVISED DISPLAY, EXHIBIT, AND DISTRIBUTION OF MATERIALS POLICY.

There was no further discussion.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

B. Library User Conduct Policy

1. Memo from Library Director Re: User Conduct Policy Amendments
2. ADA Service Animals Info
3. Dept. of Justice ADA Service Animal Info
4. Alaska Statute 11.76.130

Library Director Dixon explained her concerns on the policy wording regarding service animals; she referenced the federal/state ADA Service Animal regulations to reinforce the way service animals versus emotional support animals are described. Boardmember Kuszmaul concurred and felt there was enough supporting materials to share with a library user if/when it comes up.

Boardmember Massion questioned who would be quizzing her on this subject. Ms. Dixon responded with a recent event involving a woman bringing her dog into the library; when prompted if it was a service animal the woman said it was her emotional support animal and service animal-in-training. Discussion ensued on what library staff would do in a situation concerning problematic animals. Boardmember Finn offered a story involving a friend of hers who brought in her emotional support cat, who remained in its soft carrier unbeknownst to library staff and other patrons. Ms. Dixon agreed that there isn't an issue to address if they don't even know a library patron has brought an animal in with them. It was additionally clarified that cats cannot legally be a service animal.

FINN/MASSION MOVED TO APPROVE THE UPDATED LIBRARY USER CONDUCT POLICY.

There was no further discussion.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

C. Library Budget Review for FY2019

Library Director Dixon reported on her budget recommendations, stating the library's goals and objectives for FY2019 are:

1. Continue to update the library's collection
2. Continue to improve public access to technology
3. To support digital literacy and lifelong learning
4. To implement big read programming
5. To establish a depreciation reserve fund

There was a large period of questions and answers between the board and Library Director on the following budget topics:

- Establishing depreciation reserves for aging electronics and computers, and if a separate fund can be formed;
- Security camera replacement for old, outdated camera equipment;
- Book budget increase to update circulation and keep it from deteriorating, and how improving the narrative could make the argument for additional funds more justifiable.

Ms. Dixon reiterated that she will be meeting with the Finance Director and City Manager later in the week to discuss all budget requests. The narratives she shared with the board are not public yet; they go to the City Manager when seeking budget approval, and then later to City Council at their first meeting in October.

Boardmember Kuszmaul questioned the necessity of designated months to review budgeting in the bylaws, and referenced the memo in the packet. Deputy City Clerk Tussey shared upcoming amendments that will be made to all the commissions/boards' bylaws, and if the board has any additional amendments they can be made at that time.

The board discussed the reasoning for designating specific months for budget review in the bylaws, and how the annual budget review correlates with the Library Advisory Board's meetings. They mutually agreed that they can make bylaw amendments at a later date. Boardmember Finn suggested that at the time the Chair requests agenda items, boardmembers can note then if they want to discuss budget or not.

The board confirmed no motions were needed. There was no further discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Scheduling January 2019 Worksession

Chair Peterson initiated discussion regarding the selected dates available for a January Worksession. Boardmembers gave their preferences, taking into consideration school schedules.

FINN/KUSZMAUL MOVED TO SCHEDULE A WORKSESSION ON MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 2018 AT 5:30 P.M.

There was no further discussion.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

B. Art Donation Proposal

1. Accession, Gift & Donation Policies & Procedures for Art
2. J. Argent Kvasnikoff Art Donation Proposal

Chair Peterson initiated discussion on the proposed art. Library Director Dixon shared her experience seeing the art piece in person at the artist's exhibit over a year ago. She shared her support for it being in the library, since it pertains to language, and her preferred location for installment.

KUSZMAUL/FINN MOVED TO ACCEPT J. ARGENT KVASNIKOFF ART DONATION AND RECOMMEND TO CITY COUNCIL TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL.

There was no further discussion.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

Library Director Dixon stated she would get building maintenance's opinion on where it can be hung in the library. There was brief discussion on the art piece itself, how it hangs/is presented, and being

installed safely. It was confirmed the writing on the art piece is a blessing about Homer, written in a language created by the artist based on the Alaska Native Dena'ina sounds.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. August Statistical Report – Laydown
- B. Summer Reading Program Infographic
- C. HPL Business Survey
- D. Resolution 18-068 Supporting Museum & Library Services Act
- E. Appointment Letter for Student Representative dated June 27, 2018

Chair Peterson reviewed each informational item.

Deputy City Clerk Tussey provided an update on Resolution 18-068, sharing the dates it was approved and distributed to the legislative representatives. Boardmember Finn reported her findings on the federal bills' statuses. There were discrepancies on how the bills were showing passed/not passed on the senate's website. Ms. Finn spoke with a representative's staff member to confirm that S.3158 has passed, yet H.R.6470 S.2271 are still in introduction status. She stated she will be sharing this information with the Friends of the Homer Library at their upcoming board meeting.

Chair Peterson welcomed the new student representative Ethan Benedetti to the Library Advisory Board. Boardmember Massion noted that Mr. Benedetti is tech savvy and suggested he could provide solutions regarding electronics in the library. There was discussion on programs Mr. Benedetti could potentially participate in, such as the Parent Café program, and interests/areas of expertise he could bring to the table.

COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE

COMMENTS OF THE CITY STAFF

Library Director Dixon and Deputy City Clerk Tussey had no comments. Boardmember Massion commented on Ms. Tussey's good work.

COMMENTS OF THE COUNCILMEMBER

There was no Councilmember present.

COMMENTS OF THE CHAIR

Chair Peterson reminded the board that the next meeting will be held on Monday, October 1st, in the upstairs Conference Room.

COMMENTS OF THE BOARD

Boardmembers Kuzmaul, Massion, Springer, Fair, and Student Representative Benedetti had no further comments.

Boardmember Finn complimented Deputy Clerk Tussey for looking into and providing an update on Resolution 18-068.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board Chair Peterson adjourned the meeting at 6:41 p.m. The next special meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 1, 2018 at 5:30 P.M. at the City Hall Conference Room located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.

RACHEL TUSSEY, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

Approved: _____

**Homer Public Library
Director's Report
September 26, 2018**

Meetings in September

Department Heads - 1
Library Advisory Board -- 1
Friends of Homer Library - 1
Budget with City Manager & Finance Director -- 1
Small Business Start Ups Grant - 2
School Safety Roundtable -- 1
Staff - 1
BOB Visit to Fireweed Elementary -- 1

Issues of Interest

As is usual, the events calendar fills up in fall: Community Conversations, Alaska Book Week, Book and Plant Sale, and more. Check the website for updates!

Art in the Library applications are due Monday October 8.

Behind the Scenes

I met with the City Manager and Finance Director to discuss my proposed budget. I've submitted two budget requests: an increase of \$10,000 for Books and \$20,000 to replace security cameras. I also provided a Technology Equipment Replacement Schedule. The City Manager will present her budget at the October 8 Council meeting.

Results from our business survey are in. We had 39 respondents. I'm in the process of analyzing the results.

We received a written suggestion to keep the library open noon to 5 on Sundays, which reminded me that library open hours have not increased since sometime back in the old library (more than 12 years ago). Library use (as measured by circulation of materials) has increased 90% from 2007 (the first full year in the new library) to 2017. Public use of the library surely shows strong demand for library services, and thus longer hours - but with the City's budget as tight as it is, any requests for additional library staffing are weighed against serious understaffing in other City departments. Library staff and I completely agree with the goal of having open hours on Sundays. Though we lack the budget to do it at this time, the LAB might want to discuss identifying it as a goal for the future.

Staff

Jackie McDonough attended training on Nonviolent Crisis Intervention, sponsored by South Peninsula Hospital and the Southern Kenai Peninsula Resilience Coalition.

Staff is continuing with some excellent training for librarians on homelessness, provided online by the Alaska State Library.

Following Debbie Waldorf's retirement on November 3, long-time employee Teresa Sundmark will move from part-time to full-time. We will be advertising soon for a part-time Library Technician 1 to fill Teresa's current position.

Facility

We've rearranged the teen area to incorporate two new units of shelving. Nonfiction was shifted to the new shelving along the wall; graphic novels were moved and expanded to two sections; and fiction was expanded a little, alleviating some very crowded shelving.

We've purchased a new LED "Open" sign, which should be more visible from the parking lot than the current small sign. I'm working with Maintenance to get it wired and hung properly.

September Events

Lunch with a Councilmember.

Author Reading -- Cassondra Windwalker and Betty Epps Arnett.

Needy Meds.

High Risk Infants and Safe Sleep.

Small Business Association/Alaska Small Business Development Workshops.

Medicare Minute.

Parent Café: Tweens to Teens - Two sessions.

Upcoming in October

Needy Meds - Monday 10/8, 4:30-5:45 PM.

Intro to Modern Genealogy - Tuesday 10/9, 6-7:30.

Lunch with a Councilmember - Monday 10/8, Noon-1 PM. Carolyn Venuti.

Alaska Book Week - Readings by local authors Mary Perry, Bill Richardson, Mike Chihuly,

George Harbeson, Marianne Schlegelmilch, and Doug Dodd. Thursday 10/11, 5:30 PM.

Candidate Forum - Saturday 10/20, 4-5:30 PM.

Medicare Minute - Wednesday 10/24, 4-5 PM.

Fall Book & Plant Sale - Friday 10/26, 6 PM preview sale for Friends of the Homer Library members; Saturday 10/27, 10-6 open to all.

Ongoing

Family Storytimes - Tuesdays at 12:45 PM and Wednesdays at 10 AM.

SPARC Radio Club - first Tuesdays, 6:30-7:45 PM.

Lego Lab - first Wednesday, 3-4:30 PM. Ages 8-11.

Small Fry Storytime - Thursdays, 11:30 AM.

Ham Radio Class - Saturday 9/8, 9/15, 9/22, 9/29, 10 AM - 2 PM.

Knitting - Mondays, 1:30-4:30 PM.

Book Club - Fourth Tuesday, 4:30-6:30.

LARP - Live-Action Role-Playing, ages 10-18. Fridays 3:00-5:45 PM.

Walk-in Tech Help - First and third Saturdays, 10 AM-noon.

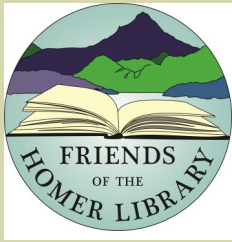
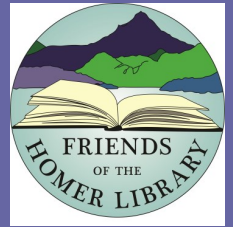
Writer's Refuge - Third Tuesdays, 6-8 PM.

Homer Storytellers - Third Saturdays, 3-5 PM.

The Library will be closed Thursday October 18 for Alaska Day.

Wavelengths

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Like what we are doing? Consider being a volunteer for the Friends.

The Friends has a constant list of things for volunteers to help with, from copying newsletters, to hanging posters, to assisting with the database, to helping with events. Contact: info@friendshomerlibrary.org

Join your Friends! Go to the Friends' website to find out more about member benefits: www.friendshomerlibrary.org

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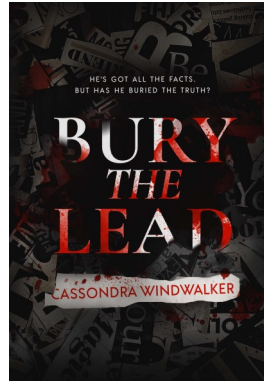
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Author Reading with Cassandra Windwalker and Betty Epps Arnett

Thursday, September 13, 6:00 pm @ the Homer Public Library

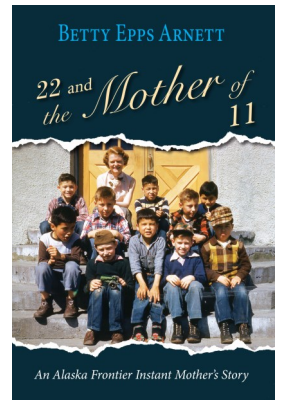
Join us to celebrate the release of two new books by Alaskan authors! *Bury the Lead*



by Cassandra Windwalker is a psychological thriller, and *22 and the Mother of 11* by Betty Epps Arnett is a memoir about a fresh college graduate from Tennessee who becomes a house mother at the Jesse Lee Home for Children.

Cassandra Windwalker has a background in law enforcement, journalism and bookselling. *Bury the Lead* was released in September by Black Spot Books, an independent publisher. The novel is narrated by Jeff Paine, a newspaper editor who, after being dumped by his girlfriend,

“becomes obsessed with finding—or *manufacturing*—connections between otherwise unrelated events. Driven by professional curiosity and unrelenting cynicism, Paine uses his newspaper to manipulate the people of his hometown Brisby, Colorado into revealing the ugliness lurking beneath their placid exteriors.” (blackspotbooks.com)



Betty Epps Arnett was sent to Seward, Alaska by the Methodist Church when she was 22 years old, where she worked for the Jesse Lee Home for Children, a child welfare institution. *Continued on page 3.*

Parent Café: for Caregivers of Tweens and Teens



Friends of the Homer Library and the Homer Public Library will host a one hour community conversation on youth/family issues on **Thursday, September 27, 5:30 pm.** Facilitated by Mercedes Harness and Claudia Haines, this conversation will be an opportunity to explore what it means to be a family in the Homer area, and will focus on the joys and challenges of raising kids who are developing independence. For those who cannot make the meeting on September 27th, another Parent Café will be presented the following day, September 28, 12:00 pm. This conversation will be co-facilitated by Willy Dunne and Jennifer Dickson. Both conversations will follow similar themes, but are offered at different times to accommodate working caregivers. Soup and bread will be provided at both sessions. Our goal is to provide a safe space of support for parents, grandparents, and others involved in raising strong, resilient, kids and teens.

Friends of the Homer Library Members, *Thank You for your support!*

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Individual

W. Findlay Abbott
Daisy Lee Bitter
Holly Brennan
Nyla Charest
Gloria Corey
Jeremey Day
Sara (Sally) Fisher
Michael Gavillot
Mako Haggerty
Barbara Haynes
Dave Schneider & Bonnie Jason
Barb Kennedy
Milli Martin
Morgan McBride
John Miles
Jerri Naguruk
Jan Needham
Joanne Olson
De Patch
Laura Patty
Satchel Pondolfino
Norm Randle
Lani Raymond
Jeanne Roche
Larry Smith
Simyra Taback
Tammy Taylor
Christopher Turner
Lisa Whip
Carly Wier
Johann Willrich
Gary Wolfe

Family

Tonda Allred
Dan & Patricia Boone
Lynn Burt
Charles Ingham & Christa Collier
Peggy & Michael Craig
Bob & Jimmy Day
Sandy Early
Peter Kaufman & Wendy ErdSue Fallon
Janet Fink
Clyde Boyer & Vivian Finlay
Sean Hogan
Amber Huestis
James Hutchinson
Paula & Jon Kulhanek
Ben Gibson & Rachel Lord
Scott & Kate Meyer
Scott & Susan Miller
Megan O'Neill
Emilie Otis
Emily Parg
Walter & Linda Partridge
Jacqueline Peterson
Audrey Rearden
Johnelle Reid
Henry & Laura Reiske

Amy Russell
Arthur Kruski & Priscilla Russell
Melonie Shipman
Ted and Kathy Sudol
Rosie Tupper
Jeanne & Kevin Walker
Diana Carbonell
Mike Haines
Barbara Hill
Nancy Levinson
Jane and Jack Regan
Tara & Tim Schmidt
Donald & Sherry Stead
Dylan Weiser
Jane & Bill Wiebe
Anne Wieland

Book Lover

Diana Conway
Michael McKinney & Roberta Copeland McKinney
Beth Cumming
Lucy Cutting
Carla Fabian
Steve Glasman & Claudia Haines
Jack & Carole Hamik
Robert Archibald and Roberta Highland
Kathy Hill
Bruce and Ruth Hunting
Peggy Pittman & Roger Imhoff-Patti Jay
Janet Klein
Tom & Janette Latimer
Judy Gonsalves & Dan Layland
Therese Lewandowski
Ken Castner & Nancy Lord
Linda & Larry Martin
Craig Matkin
Neil McArthur
Thomas & Jacqueline McDonoug
Donna Rae Faulkner & Don McNamara
Jack Wiles & Michelle Michaud-Melisa Miller
David & Marga Raskin
Ron & Turid Senungetuk
Kathy and Maynard Smith
Susan McLane & Hal Smith
The Gagnon Family
Candy & Jim Van Oss

Bibliophile

Suzanne Bishop
Linda Chamberlain
Charles Evans
Jeanne McArthur
Mary Schneider
Christy & Jeff Tyler
Caroline & Franco Venuti
Caitlin Walls

Best Friend

Wayne & Donna Aderhold

Patrick Ahern
Marcia Akresh
Sean Carey
Rich Chiappone
Dotty Cline
Denice & Roger Clyne
Steve Hughes & Robbie Coffey
Madeleine Doran
Jeff Williams & Brie Drummond
Kate Fariday
Eileen Faulkner
Ed Bailey & Nina Faust
Pete Fineo
Stephen Bottum & Charles Francis
Tom Collopy and Mary FrischeMalcolm Gaylord
Phil Gordon
Mary Griswold
Nell & Richard Gustafson
George Harbeson
Dotti Harness
Beth Graber & Mike Hawfield
Mr. & Mrs. R. A. Jacobson
Alison Kelley
Bill Bell & Mary Lou Kelsey
Tom Kizzia
Mark Robinson and Nancy Lander
Jo & Peter Michalski
John & Rika Mouw
Robert Oates
Janice Peyton
Arlene Ronda
Christine Scott
Paul & Tina Seaton
Debbie Smith
Dana Stabenow
Susan Green & George Trudea
Dana Whittaker
Randy Wiest
Bob Neubauer & Nan York
Mel Strydom

Pick Click Give

Janet Ames
Jenny Stroyeck & Michael Armstrong
Philip Barber
Dave & Molly Brann
Kristine Bredehoft
Tracie & Eric Brown
Rianne Campbell
Nancy Chastain
Leland Curtis
Jessica Eller
Kate Finn
Bryce & Jessica Golden
Christine Griffard
Helen Gustafson
Taneeka Hansen

Margaret Herbert
Aaron Knoll
Vicky Merrell
Emmet Meyer
Michael Milligan
Odin Onion
Daniel Perry
Thea Person
Jim Levine & Sue Post
Carey Restino
Lucca Sanders
Wayne Stanley
Soren Thomas
Mary Wood
Amy Woodruff

Pick-Click-Give Book Lover

Lynn Bittner
Laura Brooks
Mike Byerly
Blythe Campbell
Adam DePesa
Pauli Lida
Wendy Noomah
Giula Tortora
Peter Velsko
George Matz & Jeannie Woodring

Pick-Click-Give Best Friend

Betty Jo Goddard
Lisa Krebs
Sherry Pederson

Interested in becoming a member?

Call 435-3195 or visit our website, friendshomerlibrary.org

Ongoing Library Programs

SPARC Radio Club

Tuesday, September 4, 6:30-7:45 pm.

- Amateur radio club. (Repeats every 1st Tuesday.)

Walk-In Tech Help

Saturdays, September 1 & 15, 10:00 am–12:00 pm.

- Bring your computer, tablet, or smartphone and get help with your tech questions. (Repeats every 1st and 3rd Saturday.)

Homer Storytellers

Saturday, September 15, 3:00 pm.

Develop your storytelling skills in a friendly atmosphere. (Repeats every 3rd Saturday.)

Writer's Refuge

Tuesday, September 18, 5:45-7:45 pm.

- A Writer's Critique group. (Repeats every 3rd Tuesday.)

HPL Book Club

Tuesday, September 25, 4:30-6:30 pm.

- *Hidden Life of Trees* by Peter Wohlleben (Repeats every 4th Tuesday.)

Knitting Circle

Every Monday, 1:30 -4:30 pm.

- All are welcome. Refreshments.
- Not on September 3.

Preschool Storytime

Every Wednesday, 10:00-11:00 am.

Small Fry Storytime

Every Thursday, 11:30 am-noon.

LARP: Live Action Roleplay

Every Friday 3:00-5:45 pm.

- Live Action Roleplay, crafts, and quests. 10-18yr olds.

Author Reading continued from page 1.

Through her delightful narrative, Arnett reveals what it was like to be cast into a mother-role to so many kids. Since the release of the book, she has been touring Alaska giving presentations on the history of the Jesse Lee Home. Arnett is currently working on a second volume of her life as a house mother.



Betty Epps Arnett

We hope you will join us to enjoy these two remarkable authors. **Thursday, September 13, 6:00 pm**

Upcoming Special Events @ The Homer Public Library

Amateur Radio Licensing Class: Become a licensed Ham operator! **Saturdays, September 8, 15, 22, 29.** Test will be on Thursday, October 4, 5:00-8:00 pm.

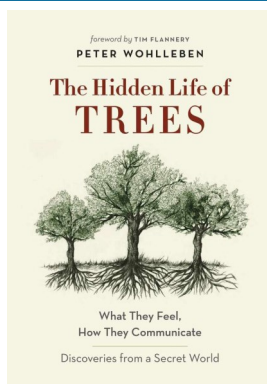
High Risk Infants and Safe Sleep: Presentation led by Office of Children's Services. **Wednesday, September 12, 1:00-4:00 pm.**

Author Reading: Cassandra Windwalker will share excerpts from her new book *Bury the Lead*, and Betty Arnett will read from *22 and the Mother of 11*. **Thursday, September 13, 6:00pm**

Lego Lab: Kids 8-11 years old. Tackle the day's special challenge or do what you want. Will be the first Wednesday of every month. **Wednesday, September 5, 2:00-3:30 pm.**

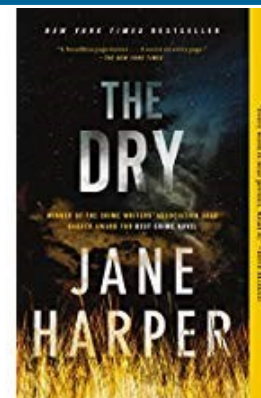
Medicare Minute: Learn about Medicare, and bring your questions. **Wednesday, September 26, 4:00 pm.**

Parent Cafe: Join us for a conversation on parenting/caregiving tweens and teens in the Homer community. Attend one or both sessions. **Thursday, September 27 at 5:30 pm, and Friday, September 28 at 12:00 pm.**



HPL Book Club

Fall is the perfect time to join a book club! Join us on **Tuesday, September 25** to discuss *The Hidden Life of Trees* by Peter Wohlleben. On **October 23**, we'll discuss *The Dry* by Jane Harper. We're a friendly group that meets every 4th Tuesday, **4:30 pm**, at the Homer Public Library. We look forward to seeing you there!



Art in the Library

Art is an integral part of the Homer community. Every year we ask local artists to send us samples of their work and we form a subcommittee to select the pieces that will be displayed at the library. None of the work on display at the library is for sale, but is an opportunity for artists to showcase their work. In 2017-2018 artists included Marjorie Scholl, Sarah Schweitzer, Sharlene Cline and Beth McKinney, who is currently on display. We seek work from emerging artists and accomplished artists.

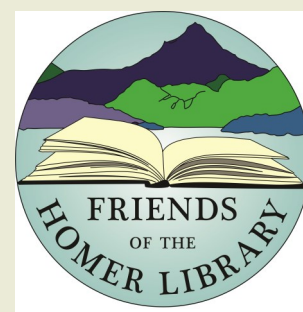
For complete instructions please visit:
friendshomerlibrary.org

Entries are due October 8, 2018

The Friends of the Homer Public Library is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) community organization established in 1982 that encourages public use and enjoyment of the Homer Public Library services and facilities. With the financial and volunteer support of its members, FHL provides resources for programs such as the Summer Reading Program, the Top Drawer Collection, preschool story hour, and author readings, among others. FHL volunteers work closely with the library staff to publicize the valuable tools and services available at the library to all community members at no cost, without discrimination. FHL also provides resources for capital improvements to the facility.

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 Andy Haas
 Lyn Maslow
 Michael Mosley
 Fran Jacobsen
 Ann Dixon



Lunch with a Councilmember

Bring your questions, ideas, and lunch for an informal conversation with a councilmember.



Donna Aderhold and Heath Smith
 Monday, September 10

Caroline Venuti
 Monday, October 8



Rachel Lord
 Monday, November 26



12:00-1:00 pm @ The Homer Public Library



The Book & Plant Sale is on the way! Mark your calendars: **October 26, 6:00-8:00 pm Members-Only.** Memberships start at \$10 *and* you get first pick of the fabulous book and plant loot! **October 27, 10:00 am-6:00 pm.** Leave with your arms piled high with fabulous discoveries. Would you like to volunteer for this fundraiser? Email: info@friendshomerlibrary.org.



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Memorandum

TO: LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD
FROM: ANN DIXON, LIBRARY DIRECTOR
DATE: SEPTEMBER 26, 2018
SUBJECT: PLANNING FOR CHRISTMAS/HOLIDAY GIVING TREE

Discuss the perimeters, goals, timeline and specific tasks for implementing a Christmas/holiday giving tree at the library.

RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.



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FROM: ANN DIXON, LIBRARY DIRECTOR
DATE: SEPTEMBER 20, 2018
SUBJECT: FEE SCHEDULE REVIEW

In reviewing the fee schedule, staff and I found a few items we suggest changing:

- 1) Overdue items/Digital Devices – Change to \$1/day. Reasons: The \$5/day fine was initiated some years ago when e-readers were relatively new, expensive, and we first circulated them. The e-readers and mp3 players we have are now so old they aren't worth much. Nor are they checked out much. The only other digital devices we currently circulate are mini-robots. We have not had any problems with those being returned. Additionally, we've found in general that overdue items are more likely to be returned if the fines are affordable rather than punitive.
- 2) Bill notice/Maximum overdue charge per item – Delete "(except digital devices)" to align with above change.
- 3) Replacement/repair of items/Lost out-of-print items/\$50/Alaskana – Add "or replacement cost, if higher." Some Alaskana costs more than \$50 to replace.
- 4) Replacement/repair of items/Lost out-of-print items – Delete "\$40/nonfiction" and "\$35/fiction." These books are routinely charged at replacement cost, which is a more accurate figure.

RECOMMENDATION

Review proposed changes. Make a recommendation to City Council to approve the proposed amendments to the library's fee schedule.

Fire Works Permit, HCC 5.24 \$25 (apply 30 days in advance) per exhibit plus bond for \$500 or liability insurance, must have.

LIBRARY FEES

235-3180

(Amended: Resolution 16-109, 14-114, 13-076; Ordinance 05-08; Resolution 15-097(S)(A), 12-006, 04-98(S)(A); 03-87; 99-19(A); 98-86; 97-87)

Closed - Sundays. Open - Mon, Wed, Fri and Sat from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tues and Thurs from 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Facility Use Fees for after-hours private use (including building supervision):
Conference Room \$50/hour
Reading Lounge \$50/hour
Children's Room \$50/hour
Entire facility, excluding staff work space -- \$300 Facility Use Fee
plus \$50/hour staff supervisor. \$300 damage/cleaning deposit.

Library Cards Replacement cards \$5/issue
Temporary Card \$25

Overdue Items - 14 day circulation (except digital devices) \$0.15/day

7 day and 1 day circulation - \$1.00/day
Digital Devices \$5.00/day
Interlibrary Loans- \$1.00/day
2nd overdue notice - \$1.00/notice

Bill notice - \$2.00/notice
Admin. Fee for Bills Sent to Collection Agency \$25.00
Maximum overdue charge per item (except digital devices) charge \$10.00

Photo copy \$.15/ea (letter size) and (legal size) per side
\$.25/ea (11"x17") per side
\$.50/ea color copies (letter size) and (legal size) per side
\$2.00/ea color copies (11"x17") per side

Interlibrary loan fee \$3 standard size books
\$.15 per page for photo copy
\$4.00 for microfilm/videos/CDS/Audios
Additional charges may be assessed.

Replacement/Repair of items

Lost or damaged items: Replacement cost plus \$7.00 processing fee per item

Lost or damaged cases, hang-up bags, etc.: Replacement cost or \$2.00, whichever is greater

Lost map or inserts - \$10/item
Lost out-of print items - \$50/Alaskana
\$40/nonfiction
\$35/fiction

Please Note: To receive a refund on a lost item, patrons must return the item within sixty days of lost status. Refunds of payment for items deemed valuable to the collection and returned after the 60- day period may be made at the discretion of the Director. No refunds will be given for digital devices.

Damaged Item - \$2.00/page
\$3.00/book jacket or cover damaged beyond repair - Full bindery cost or full replacement cost plus \$7.00 processing charge.

Improper Return of Digital Devices- \$25 fee if not returned to Front Desk staff

PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT

235-3106 or 235-8121 (Coordinates with Public Works)

(The following fees, for Zoning Permits have been set by legislative enactments, Resolution 00-17 as authorized by HCC 21.42.060, Resolution 03-12(A), Resolution 03-159, Resolution 04-35, and Resolution 04-98(S)(A), Resolution 05-27(S) and Resolution 05-35, Resolution 07-14 and Resolution 07-45, Resolution 08-124, 16-109, 17-010.)

Zoning Permit Fees:

Single Family /Duplex	\$200
Multi-Family/Commercial/Industrial	\$300, plus \$50 per hour when over six hours of administrative time.
Change of Use fee	\$50
Deck	\$50

Fees for commencing activities, without a permit, shall be assessed at the regular rate multiplied by one and one half (1.5) for Residential and two (2) for Commercial.

(The following fees have been set by legislative enactments to HCC 14.08.035.)

Publication Fees	
Comp Plan large	\$20

**CITY OF HOMER
HOMER, ALASKA**

Mayoral Recognition

KEEGAN PARTRIDGE EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

WHEREAS, Part of Homer Public Library's mission is to foster literacy, education, personal well-being, and community engagement; and

WHEREAS, A story trail offers an opportunity to extend that mission beyond the walls of the Library by combining reading with physical activity while outdoors enjoying nature; and

WHEREAS, Since 2012 Homer Library staff and Friends of the Homer Library have erected a temporary story trail each summer, which has been enjoyed by families and individuals of all ages; and

WHEREAS, Every year the temporary story trail signage has had to be replaced; and

WHEREAS, The cost of manufactured story trail signage was found to be prohibitive; and

WHEREAS, Keegan Partridge of Boy Scout Troop 555 offered to design, build and erect permanent story trail signage as his Eagle Scout project; and

WHEREAS, Friends of the Homer Library agreed to pay for the materials and coordinate the project; and


WHEREAS, In 2018 Keegan Partridge, with the assistance of advisors Bill Morse, Greg Martin, and Brian Partridge, completed construction and installation of permanent story trail signage; and

WHEREAS, The story trail will benefit the Homer community for many years to come.

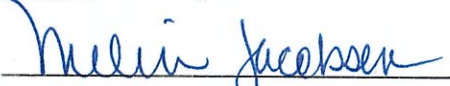
NOW, THEREFORE, I Donna Aderhold, Mayor Pro Tempore of Homer, recognize Keegan Partridge of Troop 555 for his contribution to the Library, to literacy, and to the community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Homer, Alaska to be affixed this 24thth day of September, 2018.

CITY OF HOMER


DONNA ADERHOLD, MAYOR PRO TEMPORE

ATTEST:


MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK



2018 HOMER CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS
ADVISORY COMMISSION/ BOARD ATTENDANCE

Commissions are invited to report to the City Council at the Council's regular meetings under Item 8. Announcements/Presentations/Borough Report/Commission Reports. This is the Commission's opportunity to give Council a brief update on their work. Generally the Commissioner who will be reporting will attend one of the two meetings for the month they are scheduled to attend.

The following Meeting Dates for City Council for 2018 is as follows:

January 8, 22	_____
February 12, 26	_____
March 12, 27	_____
April 9, 23	_____
May 14, 29	_____
June 11, 25	_____
July 23	_____
August 13, 27	_____
September 10, 24	_____
October 8, 22	_____
November 26	_____
December 10	_____