Summer@HPL Continues!

The fun continues in July with the Summer Reading & Learning Program. We are excited for another Kids Rock Book Club on Friday, July 6, from 2:00-3:00 pm for 6-8 year olds. Libraries Rock Magic Workshop with Don Russell is Saturday, July 7, 10:30 am-12:00 pm. During this program kids will learn the art of magic making. Online registration is required. In the afternoon, Russell will amaze families with a magic show in the Kid’s Room from 3:00-4:00 pm.

A highlight of the month is GirlsGetIT!Alaska with sisters Savanah Loburger and Ashley Loburger from the National Center for Women & Information Technology (NCWIT). During this 5-day camp girls who are curious about engineering, computer science and robotics will explore hands-on projects each day. The camp runs from July 9-13, 10:00 am-1:00 pm. There are a few spaces left; don’t wait to register!

Sonic Storytime and Ice Cream Celebration will be on July 27, 6:00-8:00 pm at the library. Join Scott Bartlett and Claudia Haines for an auditory adventure. The annual Ice Cream Celebration follows and will include hot dogs, ice cream, Marimba music, and fun family activities. All Summer@HPL grand prize winners and LEGO Contest winners will be announced following the Sonic Storytime. Kids who complete the Summer@HPL reading will receive a coupon for a free book at the event.

Keep reading and logging your minutes! Check out our website for a complete calendar of events and to register for programs: [www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/library](http://www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/library)

Mark Your Calendars, the Next Big Read is Coming!

Good secrets are hard to keep. But when we learned in April that we were recipients of a Big Read grant from the National Endowment for the Arts, we held our tongues. Now we can share it with our Friends...in January and February 2019 we will facilitate our fourth Big Read. We will invite and entice the community to share the experience of reading a good book. The selection is a graphic memoir by Roz Chast, *Can’t We Talk About Something More Pleasant*. We are thrilled that Chast will be our keynote speaker, and we are coordinating with community members and organizations to offer a plethora of activities and book talks. Want to get involved? Give us a call at 435-3195.
Friends of the Homer Library Members,

Thank You for your support!

Individual

W. Findlay Abbott
Daisy Lee Bitter
Holly Brennan
Nyla Charest
Gloria Corey
Sara (Sally) Fisher
Michael Gavillot
Mako Haggerty
Barbara Haynes
Dave Schneider & Bonnie Jason
Barb Kennedy
Milli Martin
Morgan McBride
John Miles
Jan Needham
Jeannette Olson
De Patch
Satchel Pondolfino
Lani Raymond
Jeanne Roche
Larry Smith
Simya Taback
Christopher Turner
Lisa Whip
Carly Wier
Johann Willrich
Charles Ingham & Christa Collier

Family

Peggy & Michael Craig
Bob & Jimmy Day
Sandy Early
Peter Kaufman & Wendy Erd
Sue Fallon
Janet Fink
Clyde Boyer & Vivian Finlay
Sean Hogan
Amber Huestis
James Hutchinson
Scott & Kate Meyer
Megan O'Neill

Emilie Otis
Emily Parg
Walter & Linda Partridge
Jacqueline Peterson
Johnelle Reid
Amy Russell
Arthur Kruski & Priscilla Russell
Melanie Shipman
Ted and Kathy Sudol
Diana Carbonell
Mike Haines
Nancy Levinson
Jane & Bill Wiebe
Anne Wieland
Michael McKinney & Roberta Copeland McKinney

Book Lover

Lucy Cutting
Steve Glasman & Claudia Haines
Jack & Carole Hamik
Robert Archibald and Roberta Highland-Kathy Hill
Bruce and Ruth Hunting
Janet Klein
Judy Gonsalves & Dan Layland
Therese Lewandowski
Ken Castner & Nancy Lord
Craig Markin
Neil McArthur
Thomas & Jacqueline McDonough
Donna Rae Faulkner & Don McNamara
Jack Wiles & Michelle Michaud
Melissa Miller
Ron & Turid Senungetuk
The Gagnon Family
Candy & Jim Van Oss

Bibliophile

Jeanne McArthur
Mary Schneider

Christy & Jeff Tyler
Caroline & Franco Venuti
Caitlin Walls-Beઇ

Best Friend

Wayne & Donna Aderhold
Patrick Ahern
Rich Chiappone
Steve Hughes & Robbie Coffey
Madeleine Doran
Jeff Williams & Brie Drummond
Eileen Faulkner
Petie Fineo
Tom Collroy and Mary Frische
Malcolm Gaylord
Mary Griswold
Nell & Richard Gustafson
George Harbeson
Dotti Harness
Beth Graber & Mike Hawfield
Bill Bell & Mary Lou Kelsey Mark Robinson and Nancy Landor
Jo & Peter Michalski
John & Rika Mouw
Robert Oates
Arnelle Ronda
Christine Scott
Debbie Smith
Dana Stabenow
Susan Green & George Trudeau
Mel Strydom

Pick-Click-Give Book Lover

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

Pick-Click-Give Best Friend

Betty Jo Goddard
Lisa Krebs
Sherry Pederson

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

Lit Line Up News

Lit Lineup is a yearly reading challenge that the Homer Public Library staff started four years ago. Each year the staff makes a list of 100 books from ten different categories and offers readers the chance to submit entries of the books they’ve read from the list for a chance to win a prize. So far in 2018, we’ve had 340 submissions from 54 readers. If you’d like to learn more about Lit Lineup, stop by the library and check out our ongoing display of books and pick up a brochure with the booklist and all the details. The list is comprised of fiction, nonfiction, poetry, essays, and graphic novels from all over the library. You can also visit https://www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/library/2018-lit-lineup for more information. It’s never too late to join the fun.
**Ongoing Library Programs**

**SPARC Radio Club**
Tuesday, July 3, 6:30-7:45 pm.
- Amateur radio club. (Repeats every 1st Tuesday.)

**Walk-In Tech Help**
Saturdays, July 7 and 21, 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, July 21, 3:00 pm.
- Develop your storytelling skills in a friendly atmosphere. (Repeats every 3rd Saturday.)

**Writer’s Refuge**
Tuesday, July 17, 5:45-7:45 pm.
- A Writer’s Critique group. (Repeats every 3rd Tuesday.)

**HPL Book Club**
Tuesday, July 24, 4:30-6:30 pm.
- *Ghosts of the Tsunami* by Richard Lloyd Parry (Repeats every 4th Tuesday.)

**Knitting Circle**
Every Monday, 1:30 -4:30 pm.
- All are welcome. Refreshments.
- Monday, July 9, call 235-3180 to confirm location.

**Explore 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.

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**Upcoming Special Events @ The Homer Public Library**

**LEGO Lab:** Build with us! Tackle the day’s special challenge.
Ages 8-11. Tuesday, July 3, 10:30 am-12:00 pm.

**Fourth of July Parade:** Join us in the Fourth of July Parade! Dress like a rock star and meet at Homer High School, Wednesday July 4, 5:00 pm.

**Magic Workshop with Don Russell:** Learn the art of magic making!
Ages 9-12. Register online. Saturday, July 7, 10:30 am-12:00 pm.

**Libraries Rock Magic Show with Don Russell:** Anchorage magician, Don Russell, returns to Homer to perform magic right before your eyes. Saturday, July 7, 3:00-4:00 pm.

**Girls Get IT! Alaska:** This 5-day camp is for girls ages 9-13 who are curious about engineering, computer science, and robotics.
Register online. Monday-Friday, July 9-13, 10:00 am-1:00 pm.

**Maker Lab: e-Sewing:** Learn about electrical circuits and make an e-Sewing project with conductive thread. Ages 9-12. Tuesday and Wednesday, July 17 & 18, 2:00-3:00 pm. Register online.

**2018 Lego Contest:** Submissions due Monday, July 23 by 6:00 pm.
Ages 0-17. Please visit our website for compete guidelines: www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/library/2018-lego-contest

**Sonic Storytime and Ice Cream Celebration:** Join us for a Sonic Storytime with Scott Bartlett followed by the annual Ice Cream Celebration. Friday, July 27, 6:00-8:00 pm.

**Bullet Journaling for Teens:** Get organized for the new school year! Be creative in how you manage your schedule, the books you want to read, your favorite shows, and more. Tuesday, July 31, 6:00-7:30 pm. Register online: www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/library

**Chess Club:** Meet your friends at the library to play chess! Ages 6-12. Wednesdays, 10:30 am-12:00 pm. No Chess Club July 4. Last meeting is July 18.

To Register for events online visit: www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/library

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**Word Nerds Rejoice!**

HPL is now the happy owner of a complete set of the Oxford English Dictionary – all 20 hardcover volumes! This word-lovers’ paradise came to us from the estate of William Davidson De Armond for the price of postage. With both the print and online versions beyond our means, this is like Christmas in June for the library. The OED covers the English language since 1150 AD and is the most complete and authoritative dictionary of English. Pick a word and peruse its permutations over previous centuries, with citations reaching as far back as scholars can trace them. You’ll find the OED shelved between the Reference and New Books sections. Enjoy!
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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March in the Parade with BOB the Bookmobile!
We are having so much fun with BOB the Bookmobile. We have been meeting new friends at Karen Hornaday Park, at various Storytimes, and with Sprout. BOB is keeping the same schedule in July, so you know where to find us. Volunteers spent some time stocking and replenishing BOB—all from donated books. Come see what is new, and bring a few books too!

Friends of the Homer Library is excited to announce that Alaska Center for the Book has selected Books on Board (BOB) as one of the recipients of the 2018 Contributions to Literacy in Alaska (CLIA) awards. Specifically, BOB is being recognized with the Sue Sheriff Award; named for a longtime Alaska librarian pivotal in supporting literacy efforts through the state library system. The award recognizes the volunteer efforts of BOB the Bookmobile and crew to encourage literacy in our community. Thank you, Alaska Center for the Book, and thank you to all of our volunteers and friends of BOB.

Lastly...we invite volunteers, families, and kids to rock out with BOB in the Fourth of July Parade. Come dressed as a rock star and roll behind BOB to Proud Mary. Let’s show our love for our library’s volunteers. Please meet us at 5:00 pm at the High School.

BOB the Bookmobile
July Schedule
Karen Hornaday Park
Every Thursday, 4:30-6:30 pm
The Great Book Exchange!

BOB @ Triangle Park with Sprout
(next to McDonalds)
July 10, 11:00 am
Come read a story with us and play!

Story Walk Storytime @ HPL
July 11, 10:00 am
Go on a Storytime adventure and read the new book on the Story Walk!

Storytime on the Go! @ Bishops Beach
July 25, 10:00 am
BOB heads to the beach!

LEGOL® Contest
Submissions due Monday, July 23rd by 6:00
Ages: 0 - 17
Who: YOU! Age groups include: 0-5 years, 6-11 years and 12-17 years. Individuals or teams of two may enter. Only one entry per participant is allowed. For team entries, the team creation will be included in the age category of the oldest team member.

What: Use your imagination (NO LEGO® KITS) to build a LEGO® creation of your choice. There will be two categories in each age group: OPEN (your choice) and MOTORIZED.

Your creation must be made out of your own LEGO® blocks and motors/mechanisms, if applicable. All submissions will be displayed at the library from July 23rd – 28th. (The library will do its best to protect submissions, but is not responsible for pieces or parts.)

When: Entries are due Monday, July 23rd by 6:00 pm and will be displayed at the library until Saturday, July 28. Awards will be announced on Friday, July 27 at 6:00 pm during the Sonic Storytime & Ice Cream Celebration at the library.

Please pick up contest entries on July 28th.
For complete guidelines, please visit:
www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/library/2018-lego-contest