Author Reading with Cassondra 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 Cassondra 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.

Cassondra 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.
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Individual

W. Findlay Abbott  
Daisy Lee Bitter  
Holly Brennan  
Nyla Charest  
Gloria Corey  
Jeremy Day  
Sara (Sally) Fisher  
Michael Gavillot  
Mako Haggerty  
Barbara Haynes  
Diane & Bonnie Jason  
Barb Kennedy  
Milli Martin  
Morgan McBride  
John Miles  
Jerri Naguruk  
Jan Needham  
Joanne Olson  
De Patch  
Lauria Patty  
Satchel Pondolfino  
Norm Randle  
Lani Raymond  
Jeanne Roche  
Larry Smith  
Symbya Tabak  
Tammy Taylor  
Christopher Turner  
Lisa Whip  
Carly Wier  
Lorraine Wilrich  
Gary Wolfe  
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 Glaston & 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  
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Therese Lewandowski  
Ken Castner & Nancy Lord  
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Neil McArthur  
Thomas & Jacqueline McDonough  
Donna Rae Faulkner & Don McNamara  
Jack & Michelle Michaud-Melissa Miller  
David & Marga Raskin  
Ron & Turid Senunetuk  
Kathy and Maynard Smith  
SusanMcLane & Hal Smith  
The Gagnon Family  
Candy & Jim Van Oss

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

Pick-Click-Give Book Lover

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

Pick-Click-Give Best Friend

Betty Jo Goddard  
Lisa Krebs  
Sherry Pederson

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Call 435-3195 or visit our website, friendsshomerlibrary.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.

**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:** Cassondra 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.

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**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!
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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

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

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.