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The Library by Mikayla Miller

There are such places;
that hold and store ideas;
that challenge our minds;
that open windows to the
world.

These places are for children
who seek adventure;
these places are for people who
need a place to be; these places
are for everyone and everyone
is welcome.

This place can be large or small;
can be new or old;
can be full or empty;
but no matter what,
this place holds truth.

This place is the library.

National Poetry Month

Submit a
poem to the
library for
the next KCL
Newsletter



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Celebrate National Library Week with KCL April 3rd- 9th



Monday.

Dress as your
favorite book
character



Wednesday.

#librarygivingday
make a donation to the
friends of KuC Library fund
at bcsfoundation.org

Thursday.

Read to someone
today!



Saturday.

Make a literary
breakfast and read
your favorite book!

Tuesday.

National Library
Workers Day so say
hi to your library staff
and check out a
book in their honor!

Friday.

Use 8 books to make
book spine poetry

Library Poem

April Calendar

Upcoming Events

Bethel Reads 1 Million Pages Update

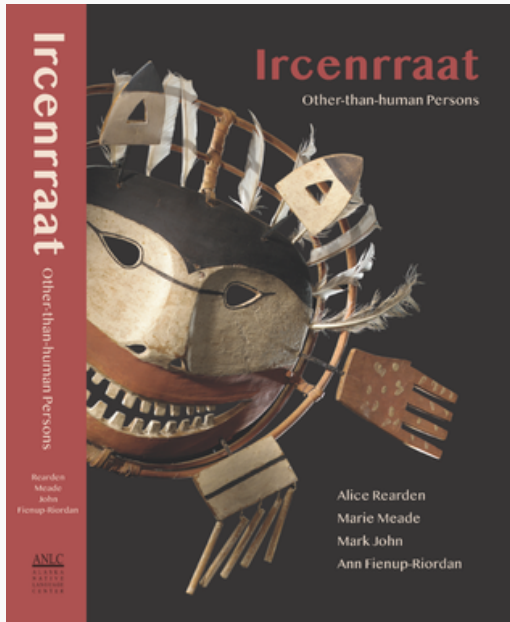
APRIL CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 Library Closed	28	29	30	31	1 Library Closed	2
3 Library Closed	4	5	6 #librarygivingday Library Giving Day	7 Jr. Librarian League @ 5:00 p.m.	8	9
10 Library Closed	11	12	13	14	15 Evening of the Arts with Don Rearden & Seth Kantner @ 7 p.m.	16 Adult Crafts, Coloring, and Cochet! 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. Alaska Room
17 Library Closed	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 Library Closed	25 Project Homeless Connect 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.	26	27	28	29 Library Closed for KuC Graduation	30 Friends of the Library Advisory Board meeting @ 1pm New Members Welcome

Upcoming Library Events

By: Theresa Quiner,
Library Director

The library received a \$10,000 grant this spring from the *American Library Association: American Rescue Plan: Humanities Grants for Libraries* program. In collaboration with the Southwest Alaska Arts Group (SWAAG), the library is hosting three upcoming humanities events in the coming months with this funding. On April 15th at 7 pm, we are hosting an **Evening of the Arts** with four Alaskan writers at the cultural center. Seth Kanter, whose new book "A Thousand Trails Home" came out last fall, will join us from Kotzebue. Bethel born Don Rearden, author of "The Raven's Gift", will join us from Anchorage. Local up and coming writers and poets Sara *Ayaniuq* Guinn and Ben Kuntz will also share some of their work.



On Saturday, May 14th at 6 pm, Ann Fienup-Riordan, Alice Rearden, Marie Meade, and Mark John will join us to discuss their new book **"Ircenrraat: Other-than-human Persons"**. This event will include a Native Foods potluck, so please bring something to share!

We are very excited to announce that the library and SWAAG are also working together to host the very first Bethel **Arctic Entries** event on Sunday, May 22nd at 6pm. Arctic Entries events are storytelling events modeled after programs like "This American Life" and "The Moth", and "bring Alaskans to the stage to share their personal stories: funny, sad and sweet" (arcticentries.org/about). The theme for Bethel's Arctic Entries event is **"Tundra Tales"**, and seven Bethelites will be selected to share a seven-minute true story about themselves relating to the theme. Local darling Bev Hoffman will team up with Olivia Cohn from the Arctic Entries team to host, and AE story coaches (including former Bethelite Lisa Demer!) will work with our storytellers to craft their stories in advance of the performance.

Musical guest Jami Sieber from Washington State will also perform.

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN
Humanities Grants for Libraries

Project Homeless Connect

By: Eleanor Oser,
Jesuit Volunteer

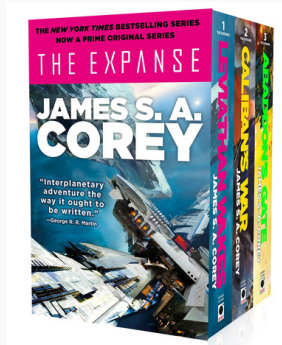
Project Homeless Connect is an event in Bethel that aims to provide resources for those in our community that are experiencing homelessness or are low income. It is part of a nationwide volunteer-run event that brings all of the services willing to collaborate under one roof so folks have easy access to them. In most years, we have 15-20 organizations in town that come together at PHC to provide various services, ranging from health screenings to haircuts, free food, and clean clothing. This year, Project Homeless Connect is taking place on Monday, April 25th, 10am-1pm. If this sounds like something you or your organization would like to participate in, please contact the library at 543-4516. We are always in need of volunteers and would appreciate your help. Quyana!



Bethel Reads One Million Pages

In just one month, we went from almost 115,000 pages to 165,536. Incredible! The top readers for March are Aiden Keller, Amanda O'Boyle, Amanda West, Anne Kosacheff, Ava Blihovde, Beverly Hoffman, Diane Graham, Sally Peters, Thea Vanasse, and the library staff who all read over 3,000 pages. The library is thrilled that we have almost 500 entries and 108 participants helping the library to achieve the goal of reading one million pages as a community this year.

We are holding a raffle every Friday for everyone who enters pages each week. Prizes include a Bethel Reads One Million Pages Hoodie, Bethel Reads One Million Pages mug, fitness passes, gift cards, movie tickets, and more. If you want a chance to win some prizes and join the community in this challenge, log your pages by going to our website uaf.edu/bethellibrary/ or checking out our Facebook page. Watch the website for live updates on how many pages Bethelites have read so far this year! Big thanks to our donors: YK Delta Lifesavers fund, YK Fitness Center, LKSD, and Kusko Coffee & Cream!



Check out *Leviathan Wakes* by James S. S. Corey to catch up on some pages. *Leviathan Wakes* is a new book to the Kuskokwim Consortium Library and is 561 pages. It is a sci-fi thriller and adventure story that involves planetary war and secrets that could change the carefully constructed system. *Leviathan Wakes* is the first of ten books in the Expanse series and is located in the New Books section.

MONDAY

11 A.M. - 6 P.M.

TUESDAY

11 A.M. - 6 P.M.

WEDNESDAY

11 A.M. - 6 P.M.

THURSDAY

11 A.M. - 6 P.M.

FRIDAY

11 A.M. - 6 P.M.

SATURDAY

11 A.M. - 4 P.M.

SUNDAY

CLOSED

The library is seeking community members to serve on our Advisory Committee! The committee will help establish annual priorities, fundraise, and help us establish and evaluate our policies. If you are interested in helping to make the library a better place, please email Theresa at tquiner@alaska.edu or by calling 907-543-4517.



Dolly Parton's Imagination Library service offers a free book once a month to children under 5 to promote early literacy. To sign up, call the library or go online to <https://imaginationlibrary.com>.



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