

# KCL MONTHLY



## Kuskokwim Consortium Library Newsletter

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## What's Happening at the Library?

April snow brings July berries and it's time for you to hang out with the Kuskokwim Consortium Library at our April programs! On April 2 at 12 p.m., join the library and Ryan Noeker for a Brown Bag Lunch in room 118 at KuC. Ryan Noeker is a professional photographer who will be teaching techniques on iPhone photography.

April 3 is Library Giving Day. Go to page 3 to read more about ways to give back to your local library.

Adult Crafterday is on April 6 from 12 to 2 p.m. We are doing another cross stitch program. Please bring in any craft you want to work on for our last Adult Crafterday program of the season.

April 10-12 at 4:30 p.m. is a "Create Your Own Zine" workshop with artist Jimmy Riordan. Stop by and make your own zine! This is an all ages program.

Toddler Time is on April 15 at 11 a.m. in the Cultural Center. This is a chance for your kiddos to play, make friends, and learn!

Chess Club and Game Day are switching Saturdays this month! Chess Club is going to be on April 20 from 12 to 2 p.m. and Games Day is on April 27. Join the Library and some expert volunteers for our Pokemon Game Day at the Library on April 27 at 12 p.m. Learn how to play, duel, and catch Pokemon at the Library.

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# APRIL CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 Library Closed	1	2 Brown Bag Lunch: Tips and Tricks for iPhone Photography in Room 118 at 12 p.m.	3 Library Giving Day	4	5	6 Adult Crafting: Cross stitch club 12 - 2 p.m.
7 Library Closed	8	9	10 Create Your Own Zine with Jimmy Riordan, 4:30 p.m.	11 Create Your Own Zine with Jimmy Riordan, 4:30 p.m.	12 Create Your Own Zine with Jimmy Riordan, 4:30 p.m.	13 Saturday Storytime 11 a.m.
14 Library Closed	15 Toddler Time 11 a.m.	16	17	18	19	20 Chess Club 12 12 - 2 p.m.
21 Library Closed	22	23	24	25	26	27 Game Day: Pokemon 2-4 p.m!
28 Library Closed	29	30	31	1	2	3

# Support Your Local Library for Library Giving day

*By: Theresa Quiner*

#LibraryGivingDay is April 3, and every year the library fundraises in the month leading up to Giving Day to support our many community programs. The funds raised are used to purchase supplies for programs, pay honorariums for special guests such as visiting authors, and support kids enrolled in the Dolly Parton Imagination Library.

This year, we held our annual book sale in March. This gives us an opportunity to raise some money, but also to give people an opportunity to rehome used books. We had a lot of fun decorating the Cultural Center to make it feel like a cozy book/coffee shop. We sold coffee and baked goods to give more atmosphere. People enjoyed coming to hang out, play games, and shop for books. Library staff enjoyed leaning into the book shop vibes, and dressed "like a librarian" every day. We are happy to say that we raised \$833 to support the library!



Uncommon Pizza has a monthly Pub Trivia Night every month, and each month a different organization benefits from the fundraiser. The library was this month's trivia host. We had a lot of fun writing the four rounds of trivia questions: General Trivia, Literature, Celebrity Scandal, and a 1980s musical round. Pictured here is the winning team, happy to be the third time winners of the Bethel Trivia Master trophy. We are excited to have raised \$2211 with this very fun trivia night.



#LibraryGivingDay is April 3, and we ask that all of our library patrons who can make a donation do. We work very hard to provide robust programs and services for all demographics in the community, and we have a very small staff and budget. We rely 100% on grant funding and fundraising to put on our many programs. Our programs are all free because it is part of our value system that all people, regardless of income, can access our services. Our suggested donation is \$25, which is the dollar amount that it costs the library for a kid to be enrolled in the Dolly Parton Imagination Library for one year, however we value donations of all sizes. Quynah for the ongoing support and love that the library receives from the community. We support and love this community right back.

Donations can be made to our fund at Bethel Community Services Foundation.

Library  
Giving  
Day



# National Poetry Month: Irish Poetry with Ian Poole



April is national poetry month, and what better way to celebrate than highlighting verses from the lyricists of the Emerald Isle. A history of hardship coupled with breathtaking scenery and a culture of storytelling has made Ireland famous for its songs and poems. Here at the library we have a book which offers a selection of poems from over one hundred Irish poets from the 8th century to the present. The Penguin Book of Irish Verse by Brendan Kennelly is divided into three thematic parts; part one: poems translated from Irish Gaelic, part two: the Anglo-Irish poets, and part three: Yeats and after. The following three poems are some of my personal favorites and have been pulled from each part.

Part 1  
Anonymous, 12th or 13th century, The Blackbird by Belfast Lough

*What little throat  
Has framed that note?  
What gold beak shot  
It far away?  
A blackbird on  
His leafy throne  
Tossed it alone  
Across the bay.*

Part 2  
Padraig Pearse, 1912, I am Ireland

*I am Ireland:  
I am older than the Old Woman of Beare  
Great my glory:  
I that bore Cuchulainn the valiant  
Great my shame:  
My own children that sold their mother.  
I am Ireland:  
I am lonelier than the Old Woman of Beare*

Part 3  
W. B. Stanford, 1930s, (last stanza) Undertone  
*When the landfolk of Galway converse with a stranger,  
softly the men speak, more softly the women;  
yet older than harp-playing, older than welcomes,  
an undertone threatens Fomorian danger,  
when the landfolk of Galway converse with a stranger*

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## **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**

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