Community Beekeeping Returns

The Apiarist, Judi Kidder, has placed a new community of bees in the library's yard. Weekly hive checks will occur on Mondays at noon beginning April 22nd. Sign up online (https://tinyurl.com/2a43zv6k) or at the library to attend. Judi will provide inside programming if the weather is foul. Children must be six years old and accompanied by an adult, to view outside, with a limit of 15 outside attendees. All who view the opening of the hives will be required to wear a head net, which we provide. Signup, call or stop by to register for a spot at a hive check, which will occur on Mondays at noon throughout the summer.

Successful FanCon!



This year's FanCon, the pop culture convention was overwhelmingly successful this year. During the 2-day

event we counted over 500 people who came into the library, many enjoying the games, panels and scavenger hunts that were held. Many thanks go out to the numerous volunteers who helped make it a success. Library Specialist, Bayli Berry, creator of all things FanCon provided a fantastic experience for all who attended.

If you would like to give us feedback to plan next year's FanCon please complete this anonymous online survey and return it by the end of April, thank you: https://tinyurl.com/yyx257vt

Late Opening Friday, May 10th

The library will open at 1:00pm on Friday, May 10th while library staff will engages in training. Topics include preparing for summer reading, safety, and housekeeping tasks we need the time to achieve Staff will not be available to answer phones during this time, but messages can be left at the director's voice mail, 907.486.8688. Books can be returned through the outdoor book drop. Thank you for your understanding.



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Whale Fest Celebration!

The library is joining in this year's Whale Fest during the month of April. In addition to a movie and art creation activities, we have special events in the library. There's an Ocean Puzzle corner, children can solve a puzzle by themselves in small groups; an Ocean Scavenger Hunt, children search the library for items related to whales, habitats, and marine conservation. We also have a robust collection of books and DVDs about whales.

Final Trivia Game of the Season May 1, 6:30pm

Join your in the final online trivia game of the season on Wednesday, May 1st. The game lasts about 1.5 hours, and is full of laulghter and brain strain. On Zoom:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87850454973



Summer Reading begins June 1, 2024

Designed for all ages, this summer's reading theme is Adventure Begins at Your Library. There will be weekly events and activities to explore. We will use the Beanstack app again for patrons to chart their reading progress, and earn rewards along the way. Paper recording sheets will also be available. The program runs from June 1-September 1, 2024. There will be a "kickoff" June 1 from 11am-1pm to learn about the activities and to sign up for the reading program. We hope you'll join the adventure

Fantastic Beasts invade the Library

Lurking in the stacks of the library are creatures born from the imaginations of 7th grade artists. Students were tasked to create and follow their original design plans. Each creature has its own story!

These beasts can be found atop the fiction shelves and each one tells its own story! Thanks to Karen King and her Middle School art students for sharing the Fantastic Beasts class of 2024.



Volunteers Needed for Elwani Project

Plans are underway to update the catalog records and use more descriptive online tools to identify people and places who are profiled in Kodiak's *Elwani :Inside the life and culture of Kodiak.* For example, when completed, if you wanted to learn about a fox farm on Whale Island, you would be directed to the right issue.

A few volunteers are needed to record the information found in the *Elwani*, then Jessica will enter into the cataloging software. We will train willing volunteers to complete this long-overdue project. If you're interested in helping out, please contact Laurie, 907.486.8688 or email, lmadsen@city.kodiak.ak.us. Thank you!

Library Hours

Monday: 10:00am-5:00pm Tuesday: 10:00am-8:00pm Wednesday: 10:00am-8:00pm Thursday: 10:00am-8:00pm Friday & Saturday: 10:00am-5:00pm

Upcoming Events @ the Library

<u>Friday, April 19: 3:00pm:</u> Children's Movie: *Free Willy (rated PG-13; 1 hr, 52 mins)*

Wednesday, April 24 1:00pm KANA Elder Game Time with Penny Boschee

<u>Friday, April 26:Crafternoon:</u> Whale Fest Art: creaa *Swimmy* collage

Wednesday, May 1, 6:30pm: LAST Trivia via Zoom

Friday, May 3, 10:30am: KANA elder story time

<u>Friday, May 3, 3:30pm: Children's Movie:</u> Star Wars Resistance (30 minutes)

Saturday, May 4, 11:00am Steam & a Story: Color Dance

Friday, May 10, Library opens at 1pm

Friday, May 10, 3:30pm Kodiak Hearts
Plant a mini flower pot

<u>Saturday, May 11, 1pm: Crafternoon:</u> Make paper flowers

<u>Friday May 24-Monday, May 27:</u> KPLA Crab Fest Book Sale (hours to be announced)

Saturday, June 1, 11-1pm: Summer Reading kickoff



Weekly Library Activities:

Monday: 1pm Bridge Club

Tuesdays, 11am Lofi & Chill (Teen Room)

Wednesday: 3pm Lego Club

Thursday: 3pm Chess Club (1st & 3rd Thursdays)

Friday: 10:30am—Lap Sit Story Time