

Director's Report, Homer Public Library

November 25, 2019

General Notes

I gathered some more information regarding the library endowment fund, including contacting the Juneau Community Foundation and a few investment managers. I was out of town for the end of the month, visiting family.

Director's Meetings in November 2019					
Library Advisory Board (LAB)	Friends of the Homer Library (FHL)	Staff	City Council	Department Heads	Other
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Staff Notes

We upgraded to a new version of the library's software on Nov. 11. So far staff have encountered no critical bugs, but there are a lot of small annoyances to fix. Claudia Haines secured a \$300 grant from Google for the Google CS First Hour of Code.

Facility

Building services is working their way around the building, replacing existing light bulbs with LEDs. Parks and Rec installed a perforated pipe outside the front entrance, draining away a large puddle that formed whenever it rained.

Library Advisory Board (LAB)

The LAB continued to debate the merits of creating an endowment fund. There was also some discussion of efforts to get more high-school students to use library resources. Separately, I met with Claudia Haines and Boardmembers Schmit and Greear to brainstorm more ideas in detail.

Friends of the Homer Library (FHL)

FHL formed a subcommittee to discuss improvements to the western lot and agreed that in the spring we'll need to clear out some of the underbrush to improve sightlines. The city is moving forward with a plan for standard signage and maps around town, and the library would like to integrate our trails into that.

Events in November 2019		
Date	Time	Event
11/2	2:00-4:00	David Lynch Foundation on transcendental meditation
11/4	4:45-5:45	
11/7	1:00-3:00	Literary Ladies Book Discussion
11/7	3:00-4:30	Greek Myths Book Club
11/7	6:00-7:45	Farm Bureau
11/8	6:00-7:45	Homer Fire Department EMS Exam (after hours)
11/9	12:30-5:00	Haerle House Parenting Workshop
11/15	1:00-3:00	Homer Garden Club
11/16	1:30-3:00	Bath Bombs
11/21	3:00-5:00	Women's March Homer
11/21	5:45-7:45	Anime Club
11/23	10:00-12:00	Open Source Software Workshop

Upcoming Events in December 2019		
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12/5 and 12/19	3:00-5:00	Women's March of Homer

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12/5	6:30-7:45	Diamond Ridge View Estates Homeowner's Association
12/10	6:00-7:00	Pushing the Limits Book Discussion
12/17	5:30-6:30	Swing Choir by the Fireside Lounge
12/18	11:00-1:00	Trails IRC

Ongoing Events

Date	Time	Event
Mondays	1:30-4:30	Knitting
Tuesdays	3:00-4:30	Kids' Chess
Wednesdays	10:00-11:00	Family Storytime (Ages 3-5)
Thursdays	11:30-12:30	Small Fry Storytime (Ages 0-2)
Fridays	3:00-5:45	Live-Action Role-Playing (LARP) Ages 10-18
First Mondays	12:00-1:00	Lunch with a Councilmember
First Tuesdays	6:30-7:45	SPARC Radio Club
First and Third Saturdays	10:00-12:15	Walk-in Tech Help
First Thursdays	1:00-3:00	Literary Ladies Book Club
Second Tuesdays	6:00-7:45	Genealogy Peer Support Group
Second Thursdays	3:00-4:30	Lego Lab (Ages 8-11)
Third Tuesdays	6:00-8:00	Writer's Refuge
Fourth Tuesdays	4:30-6:30	Book Club
Early school release	2:00-3:30	Maker Club

