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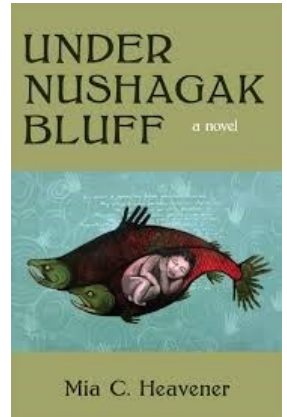
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Author Reading with Mia Heavener

In 1939, everything changes for Anne Girl when outsider John Nelson grounds his sailboat on the shores, into Anne Girl's skiff, and into her life during a rare storm in the Alaskan fishing village of Nushagak. When Anne Girl and her mother, Marulia, find their skiff flattened by John's boat, Anne Girl decides she both hates and wants him. Thus begins a generational saga of strong, stubborn Yup'ik women living in a village that has been divided between the new and the old, the bluff side and the missionary side, the cannery side and the subsistence side



Mia Heavener will give a reading of her new novel *Under Nushagak Bluff* on **Saturday, Jan. 25, 6:00 pm at Homer Public Library**. Mia Heavener is of Norwegian, Polish, and Yup'ik heritage. Her experience in rural Alaska is both personal and professional. After graduating from MIT with a degree in civil engineering, Mia returned home to design water and wastewater systems in Alaskan Native villages. During the summers, she commercial fishes with her family in Bristol Bay. She believes that everyone should have a good whiff of the tundra at least once in their life, if not twice. She has an MFA from Colorado State University. Her fiction has appeared in Cortland Review and Willow Springs.



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6 WEEK SERIES



AHA! CLUB

FOR 4-6 YEAR OLDS & THEIR GROWNUPS
(Siblings welcome!)

This winter the library is hosting a new type of evening program for young children and their families. During the AHA! Club, a 6-week series, families will explore computational thinking, a creative way of thinking that enables children to identify and systematically solve problems in a way that could also be carried out by a computer.

Computational thinking shares multiple skills with early literacy and early math.

The series will include a light dinner, screenings of a new show about computational thinking created for preschoolers by WGBH (producers of *Molly of Denali*), building, making and tinkering activities, a shared story, and a take home activity.

Materials are provided and dinners will be donated by local restaurants: The Alibi, The Bagel Shop, Cosmic Kitchen, and Fat Olive's. (If your restaurant would like to contribute, please contact Claudia Haines at 435-3176 for more information.)

Tuesdays, Jan.9-Feb. 13, 5:30-7:00 pm. Online registration is necessary.

2020 Friends of the Homer Library Members, Thank You for your support!

Individual

Tracy Ansell
Landa Baily
Bumppo Bremicker
Jamie Cripps
Jason Davis
Jerri Ellert
Lillian Elvsaa
Shirley Evans
Ashley Hanson
Dixie Hart
Alison Kelley
StellaVera Kilcher
Teri McClaren
Sierra Morris
Erin Petrie
Alice Porter
Jason Rupp
Jerry Scholand
Eirikr Warren
Leslie Whip
Johann Willrich-

Family

Paul Allan
Sarah Brewer &
Family
Clyde Boyer &
Vivian Finlay
Sheila Gronseth-
Bruce and Rutth
Hunting
Milli Martin
Jenny Olson
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tridge
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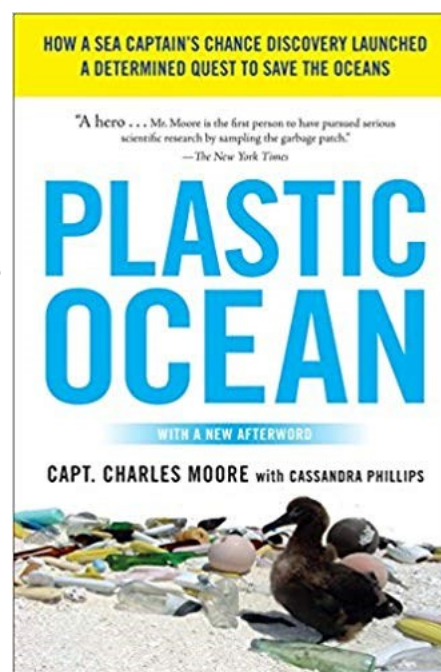
NOAA Planet Stewards Book Club

Center for Alaskan Coastal Studies and Friends of the Homer Library will join together to participate in NOAA Planet Stewards Book Club on **Tuesday, Feb. 18, 4:00 pm**. The selection is *Plastic Ocean* by Captain Charles Moore about his research expeditions to the Great Pacific Garbage Patch, and his subsequent advocacy work to educate people on the dangers of plastics .

No pre-registration necessary. This is a nationwide book club, and we will call in to NOAA to participate.

For more information, checkout NOAA's web page:

<https://oceanservice.noaa.gov/education/planet-stewards/upcoming.html>



Ongoing Library Programs

SPARC Radio Club

Tuesday, Jan 7, 6:30-7:45 pm

- Amateur radio club. (Repeats the first Tuesday of the month)

Lego Club

Thursday, Jan. 9, 3:00-4:30 pm

- For 8-11 year olds. (Repeats every second Thursday).

Walk-In Tech Help

Saturdays, Jan. 4 & 18, 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.)

Genealogy Peer Support

Tuesday, Jan. 14, 6:00-7:30 pm (Repeats every 2nd Tuesday.)

- Share your knowledge about genealogy and learn from others.

Writer's Refuge

Tuesday, Jan. 21, 5:45-7:45 pm

- A Writer's Critique group. (Repeats every 3rd Tuesday.)

HPL Book Club

Tuesday, Jan. 28, 4:30-6:30 pm

- *Gathering Moss* by Robin Kimmerer (Repeats every 4th Tuesday. Titles vary.)

Kids' Afterschool Chess Club

Tuesdays, 3:30-4:30 pm

- Hone your skills with friends. Ages 6-12.

Knitting Circle

Every Monday, 1:30 -4:30 pm

- All are welcome. Refreshments.

Preschool Storytime

Wednesdays, 10:00 am

Small Fry Storytime

Thursdays, 11:30 am

LARP: Live Action Roleplay

Every Friday 3:00-5:45 pm

- Live Action Roleplay, crafts, and quests.

Upcoming Special Events@HPL

Lunch with a Councilmember: Bring your brown bag lunch and questions and speak with councilmember Heath Smith.

Monday, Jan. 13 12:00-1:00 pm

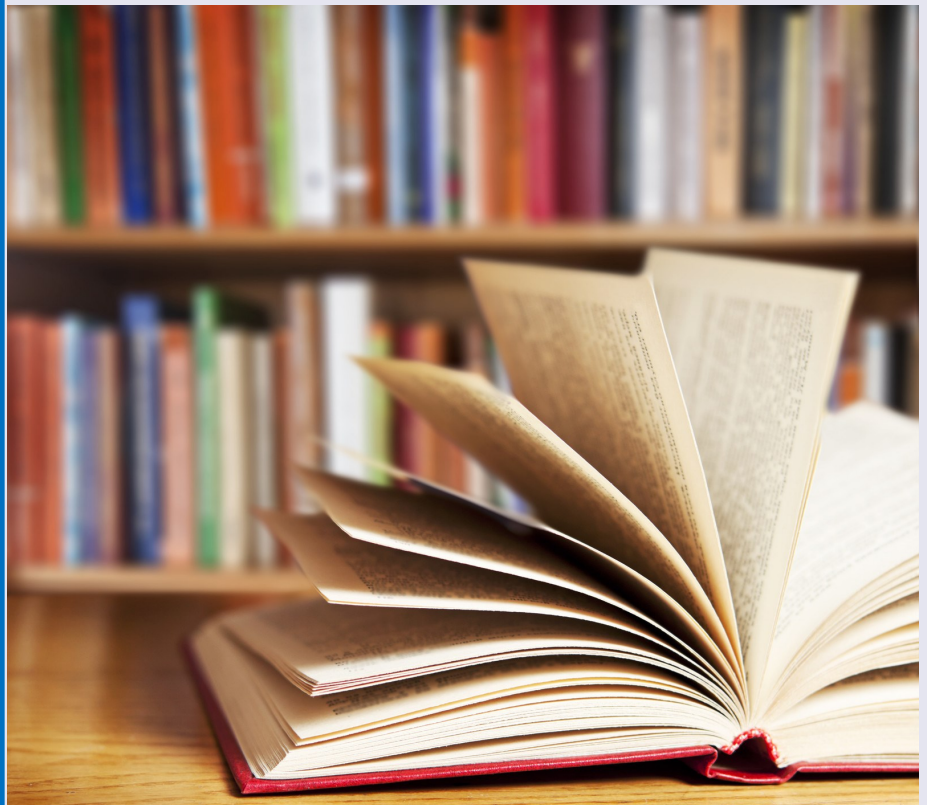
Gathering Moss by Robin Kimmerer: Fourth in a series of STEAM themed book conversations. Co-facilitated with artist Kim McNett. Call 235-3180 to sign-up. **Tuesday, Jan. 28, 6:00 pm.**

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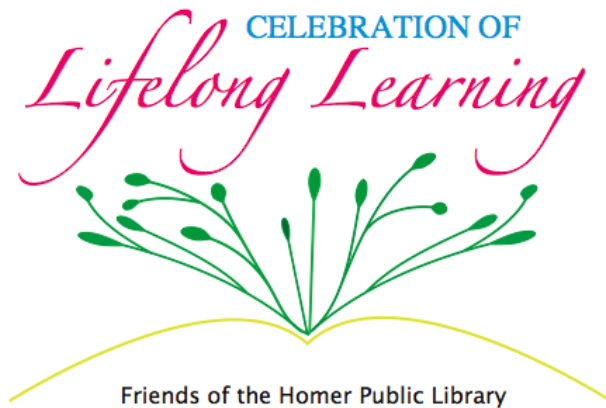
Celebration of Lifelong Learning Nominations: Who do you know who has dedicated their life to learning? Nominate them by **Monday, Feb 3.** Nomination forms available at the library or on the library website.



Lit Line Up: Vision 20/20

What will you read?

Book lists available at the library website
or drop by the circulation desk.



Do you know someone who has made a lifelong commitment to acquiring an exceptional skill or knowledge? Is always trying something new and sharing what they have found with others? Who has an infectious passion for learning and exploration?

The Friends of the Homer Library wants to hear about it. Nominees must reside in the Homer Public Library service area and have a Homer Public Library card. The winner will be announced and honored at the **Celebration of Lifelong Learning event at Homer Public Library on March 21, 2020.**

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Nominations must be received by February 3, 2020

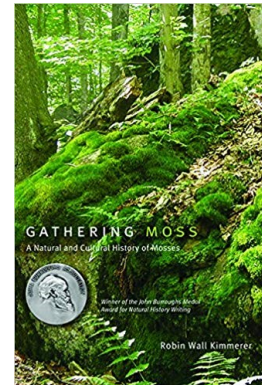
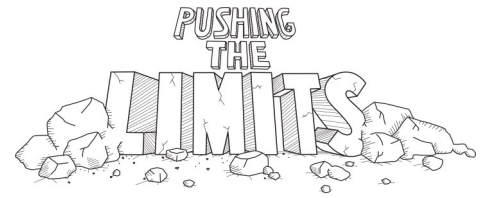
Lunch with a Councilmember

Bring your questions, ideas, and lunch for an informal conversation with a councilmember.



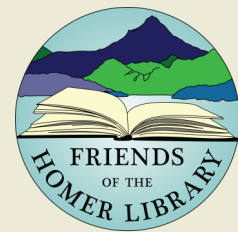
Heath Smith

**12:00-1:00 pm @ Homer Public Library
 Monday, January 13**



**Gathering Moss
 by Robin Wall
 Kimmerer.**

STEAM book discussions @ Homer Public Library.
 Artist Kim McNett will join the January conversation.
 Refreshments provided. Call 235-3180 to sign up.



The Friends of the Homer Public Library is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) community organization established in 1982 that encourages public use and enjoyment of the Homer Public Library services and facilities. With the financial and volunteer support of its members, FHL provides resources for programs such as the Summer Reading Program, the Top Drawer Collection, preschool story hour, and author readings, among others. FHL volunteers work closely with the library staff to publicize the valuable tools and services available at the library to all community members at no cost, without discrimination. FHL also provides resources for capital improvements to the facility.

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