

Gustavus Library Newsletter



Happy Summer, readers!

The library has been bustling this past month, with a combination of new visitors and the start of our Summer Reading Program, this year expanded for all ages.

So far, we have hosted three summer reading events for children and one NPS Discovery Day, with a total of 94 attendees. In addition, 46 readers of all ages have signed up to work on their Star Chart, earning prizes or raffle tickets as they read and engage in other learning activities of their choice.

Kids: Our clues are ready to go! Once you complete a row of your chart, come on in to the library so we can give you your first clue for a prize in town.

Teens: We have instant win scratch tickets just for you! If you are entering middle through high school next year, come check out a book and get a ticket to see if you instantly win a prize. Filling out your Star Chart will earn you raffle tickets for the end-of-summer raffle.

Adults: You can earn prizes too! Come get a Star Chart at the front desk, and earn a raffle ticket for each row you complete by reading or learning new things.

We look forward to seeing you all at the library, and we are gearing up for a busy and learning-packed summer!



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Library Hours

M– 1:30-4:30 and 7-9pm

T– 1:30-4:30 and 7-9pm

W– 1:30-4:30 and 7-9pm

Th– 10-noon and 1:30-4:30

F– 1:30-4:30

S–11-3:00

Library is closed Sundays.



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Meet Our Summer Reading Intern



Right: Trinity Cutting, the Library's first Summer Reading intern.

Above: Trinity reads aloud to participants during our first week of Summer Reading 2018.

This summer for the first time, the Gustavus Public Library is partnering with Gustavus School to offer a paid internship opportunity for a middle or high school student. Trinity Cutting, our first ever intern through the Gustavus School, is assisting with program development, materials preparation, and facilitation of our weekly children's events at the library.

Trinity recently moved to Gustavus, and will be entering her Sophomore year of high school this coming year. She plans to graduate a year early and then take a year off before deciding on her next step. Trinity has a love of reading, enjoys working with children, and is a self-taught ukulele player. We are thrilled to have her on board for the summer at the library. Make sure to stop by and say hello!



Welcome Trinity!

WANTED Runaway Books!

Sometimes materials wander off the shelves.

If you find a book, magazine, or DVD that has a barcode and labels on it that are not blacked out, it is still in circulation and the library would like it back! When we do decide to take things off our shelves, we will cross out the barcode and labels to make it clear that book is no longer a library book.

Thank you!

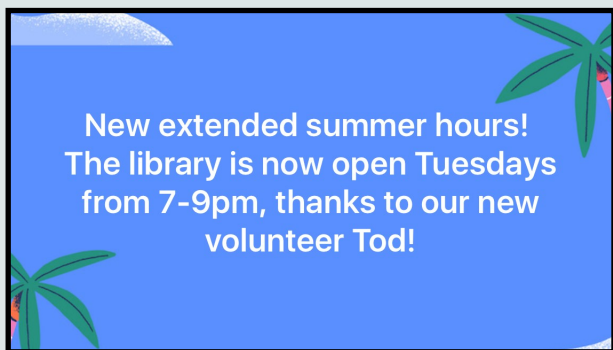
Last Month at a Glance



Left: Rangers Emma and Kelly play a tense game of Jenga with children during the first Read with a Ranger event at the library.

Below left: A photo of the new Mendenhall Public Library in Juneau, which Jen and Bre visited as part of the Small Libraries Institute of Management training course.

Below right: Jen and Trinity use movement in storytelling at the first Summer Story Hour. (Photo credit to Gustavus)



Reporting Back from the Small Libraries Institute of Management

In late May, we (Jen and Bre) attended SLIM, a week-long training course led by the Alaska State Library specifically for library administrators in small rural Alaskan communities without a Master's Degree.

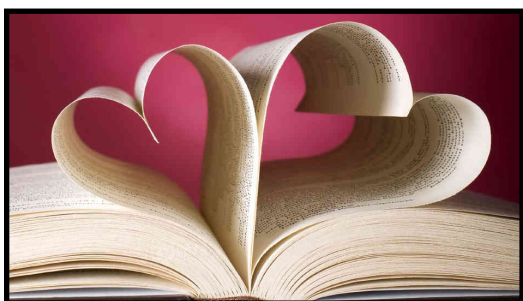
The training was a crash course in everything from materials selection, to understanding copyright laws, to accessing online databases, to developing library policies. Additionally we had the opportunity to tour the Mendenhall Public Library in Juneau, collaborate with and learn from other librarians from similar communities across the state, and have some hands-on time developing practical resources to utilize in our library.

Your librarians have been kept busy upon their return by the online component of the training, and in implementing a lot of the skills we learned. We have begun the process of rewriting outdated policies and procedures, and revamping our selection and weeding process for books and DVDs.

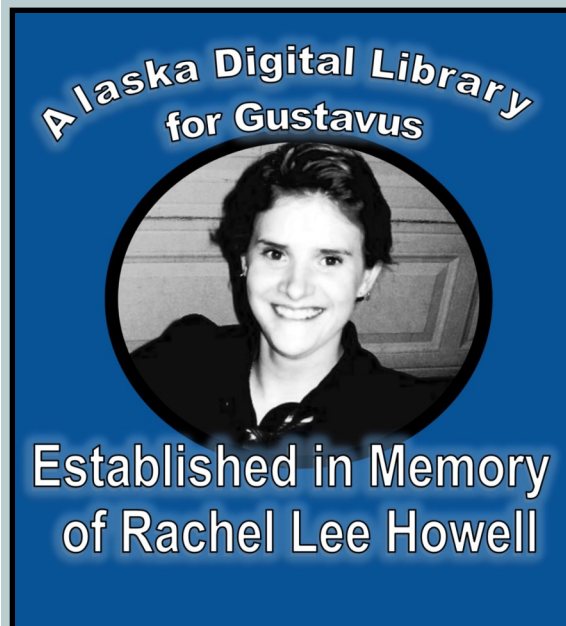
We hope to continue to make the library more accessible and geared toward the specific needs of our community, while ensuring that we comply with State and Federal requirements. As always, we encourage community feedback about our library, its materials, and its programs.

Ever your librarians,

Jen and Bre



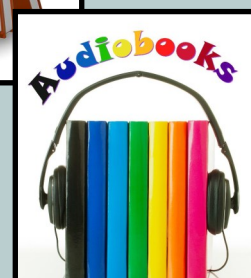
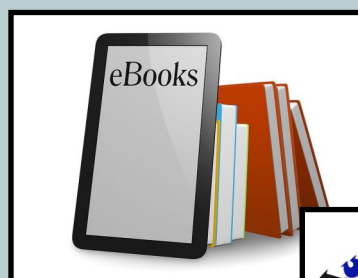
Check out eBooks and audiobooks for free!



Did you know that you can borrow eBooks and audiobooks free of charge?

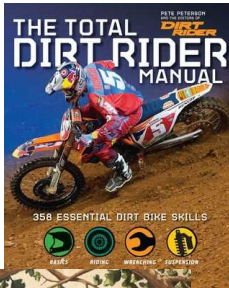
Thanks to generous donors in our community, this service is available to all Gustavus library members in honor of Rachel Lee Howell.

Ask your librarians for assistance in setting up an account or checking out these resources.



NEW BOOKS!

NEW IN NEW IN THE JUVENILE SECTION:



The Total Dirt Rider Manual: 358 Essential Dirt Bike Skills by Pete Peterson
“Whether you enjoy trail-riding and exploring the backcountry, aspiring to motocross stardom, wondering how they do those amazing freestyle flips, this book is packed with hands-on, off-road tips and tricks to get you there – and keep you moving.”

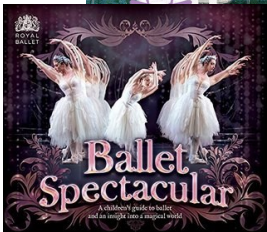


This Is A Taco! By Andrew Cangelose
“This hilarious send-up of a children's nature primer teaches kids that the most important story is the one you write yourself.”

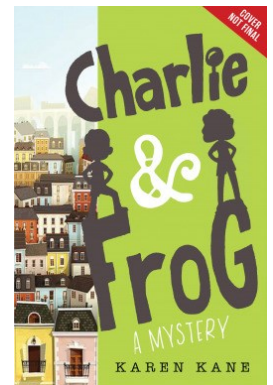


Moon by Alison Oliver
“The wolf takes Moon deep into the dark, fantastical forest and there she learns to howl, how to hide, how to be still, and how to be wild. And in that, she learns what it’s like to be free.”

Ballet Spectacular by Lisa Miles
“Stunning images from the collections at The Royal Ballet are accompanied by informative and fact-filled text to offer a detailed insight into this magical world.”



Charlie & Frog by Karen Kane
“All Charlie Tickler wants is for his parents to listen...All Francine (aka Frog) Castle wants is to be the world's greatest detective...Together, Charlie and Frog set out to decipher a series of clues and uncover the truth behind the missing woman's mysterious message.”

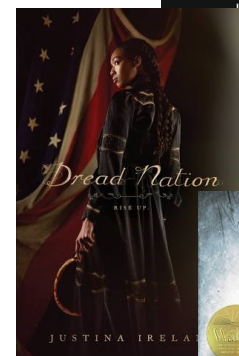


NEW IN YOUNG ADULT:

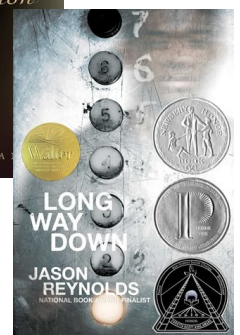
Dumplin' by Julie Murphy
“Self-proclaimed fat girl Willowdean Dickson (dubbed “Dumplin’” by her former beauty queen mom) has always been at home in her own skin. Her thoughts on having the ultimate bikini body? Put a bikini on your body. With her all-American beauty best friend, Ellen, by her side, things have always worked...until Will takes a job at Harpy’s, the local fast-food joint. There she meets Private School Bo, a hot former jock. Will isn’t surprised to find herself attracted to Bo. But she is surprised when he seems to like her back.”



Dread Nation by Justina Ireland
“Jane McKeene was born two days before the dead began to walk the battlefields of Gettysburg and Chancellorsville—derailing the War Between the States and changing America forever. In this new nation, safety for all depends on the work of a few, and laws like the Native and Negro Reeducation Act require certain children attend combat schools to learn to put down the dead.”

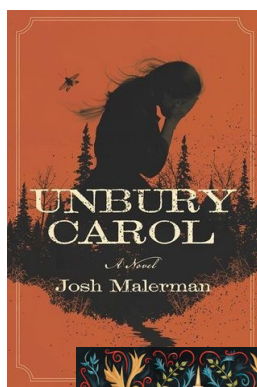


Long Way Down by Jason Reynolds
“His brother Shawn was just murdered. And Will knows the rules. No crying. No snitching. Revenge. That’s where Will’s now heading, with that gun shoved in the back waistband of his jeans, the gun that was his brother’s gun. He gets on the elevator, seventh floor, stoked. He knows who he’s after. Or does he?”



Images and blurbs from [goodreads.com](https://www.goodreads.com)

NEW IN ADULT FICTION:



Unbury Carol by Josh Malerman

"Carol Evers is a woman with a dark secret. She has died many times . . . but her many deaths are not final: They are comas, a waking slumber indistinguishable from death, each lasting days...Carol fights to free herself from the crippling darkness that binds her—summoning her own fierce will to survive. As the players in this drama of life and death fight to decide her fate, Carol must in the end battle to save herself."

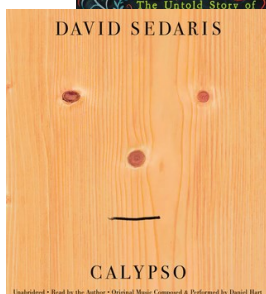


All The Ever Afters: The Untold Story Of Cinderella's Stepmother by Danielle Teller

"A luminous reimagining of a classic tale, told from the perspective of Agnes, Cinderella's 'evil' stepmother."

Calypso by David Sedaris

"David Sedaris returns with his most deeply personal and darkly hilarious book...Sedaris sets his formidable powers of observation toward middle age and mortality. Make no mistake: these stories are very, very funny--it's a book that can make you laugh 'til you snort, the way only family can. Sedaris's powers of observation have never been sharper, and his ability to shock readers into laughter unparalleled."

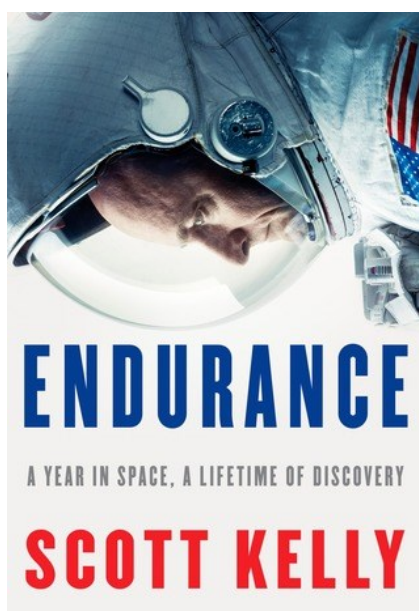


Love And Ruin by Paula McLain

"In 1937, twenty-eight-year-old Martha travels alone to Madrid to report on the atrocities of the Spanish Civil War and becomes drawn to the stories of ordinary people caught in devastating conflict. She also finds herself unexpectedly—and uncontrollably—falling in love with Hemingway, a man already on his way to becoming a legend."

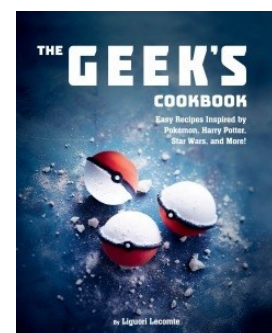


NEW IN ADULT NON-FICTION



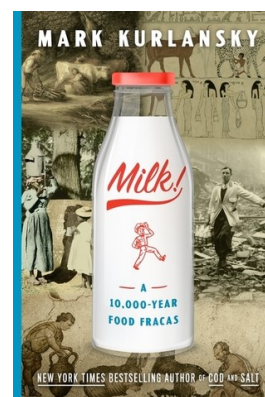
The Geek's Cookbook: Easy Recipes Inspired by Pokemon, Harry Potter, Star Wars, and More! by Liguori Lecomte

"Send your taste buds to another world with over thirty recipes from your favorite series, TV shows, and video games. Experience the supreme taste of the Matrix Burger or the Sauron Tarts, succumb to the Dagobah Marsh in Herb Crust or the Karadoc Crunch. Top it all off with some Minecraft Cookies or Meringue Pokeball, and you've got yourself a meal fit for Geek royalty."



Milk! A 10,000-Year Food Fracas by Mark Kurlansky

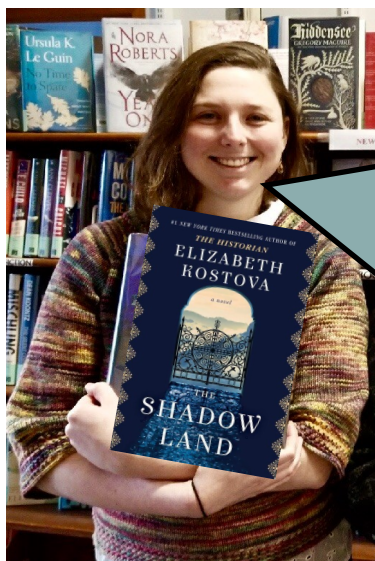
"Mark Kurlansky's first global food history since the bestselling Cod and Salt; the fascinating cultural, economic, and culinary story of milk and all things dairy--with recipes throughout."



Endurance: A Year in Space, A Lifetime of Discovery by Scott Kelly

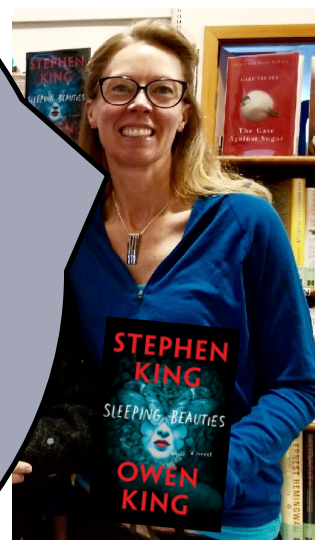
"A stunning memoir from the astronaut who spent a record-breaking year aboard the International Space Station--a candid account of his remarkable voyage, of the journeys off the planet that preceded it, and of his colorful formative years."

Librarian Reads



I devoted the month to a long, but worthwhile novel by Elizabeth Kostova, called *The Shadow Land*. The story began by following a young traveler, just off the plane in Bulgaria, and still reeling from the death of her brother. She helps a family into a taxi, and inadvertently winds up with one of their bags, containing an urn of ashes. The next week sends her on quest across Bulgaria to return the urn to the family, while slowly unraveling the dark and tragic history of the man contained within it. As strange things start happening to the young woman, she realizes that she may not be carrying just an urn, but a complicated secret that may be putting her in grave danger in this unknown world. Long, but worth the read!

Are you a feminist? Do you also enjoy the works of the masterful storyteller, Stephen King? *Sleeping Beauties* might be the summer read that you're looking for, especially if you have a big beach bag. This one is no different from all the rest, topping out at a solid 5 pounds and 700 pages, leading to the decision to borrow from the digital library. ☺ What if, one day, there were no more women? As the earth orbits the sun, bringing a new day across the globe, women are falling asleep and forming cocoons. Their new reality: living peacefully in an alternate universe. Some women hold out for days – I learned a lot about meth in this book– leaving men in wonder and agitation. Those cruel or desperate enough to disturb their women are in for a *nasty* surprise (guess what, more than once!) With women absent, some men are working to solve the mystery, some take advantage of the situation – but all turn to violence. Can they save the women they need to make their world balanced again? Will the women decide to leave their peaceful, testosterone-less new home where they discovered that they are capable on their own? To King, ladies are equal.



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VOLUNTEERS AND DONORS.

THE LIBRARY
DEPENDS ON YOU!



We would like to give a warm
welcome to Therese Nicol, our
newest volunteer. Come visit
her at the library Saturday
mornings from 11-1!

Upcoming Kids' Programs at the Library

Summer Story Hour

Tuesdays at 11

Songs, stories, and movement
for young children (*ages 0-6)



Read with a Ranger

Wednesdays at 10:30

Books and activities with an Interpretive
Ranger from Glacier Bay National Park (*ages
6+)

Discovery Day with the NPS

Sat. July 7th at the Library from 1-3pm

Ages 6-10, younger children may participate if
accompanied by an adult. Bring a backpack
with water and wear appropriate clothing.
Contact Emma Johnson with questions: (907)
697-2691

**ages are guidelines. Children may attend
any library program they choose, just be
aware that activities will be designed for the
age group listed.*

**Please sign up to bring a snack
Tuesdays and Wednesdays!**

No programing July 3rd or 4th.

WEEKLY EVENTS

Intermediate Yoga with Joyce

(not for beginners)

Wednesdays at 5:30pm

*by donation



Knitting/Craft Group

Summer Schedule variable

Check in with Bre



Best Beginnings

(baby and toddler group)

Thursdays at 2:30pm

Everybody's Welcome Band

Thursdays at 5:30pm



All levels Yoga with Jess

Saturdays at 9:00 am

*by donation

**Want to start a club or host an
event? Let us know!**



Library Statistics May 2018



Library visitors	1, 047
Books Checked out	488
Movies Checked out	376
Total items checked out	881

