

“Whatever the cost of our libraries, the price is cheap compared to that of an ignorant nation.” ~ Walter Cronkite

Willow Public Library Spotlights! July 2017

• Current WLA members are:

Marian Charles
Melinda Dale
Carol Goltz
Bill Mailer
Mark Merrill
Stephanie Richey
Virginia Richey
Maire Rhode
Bonnie Warner
George Wilkie

Meetings are at 10:00 a.m. the second Monday of the month; no meetings in the summer.

• Please let the Library staff know if you are willing to be a “**Friend of the Library**” on call to help with a specific task as needed. More helping hands are great!

• Ongoing Programs:

Morning Book Club- Last Wednesday of the month at 11:30
Fiber Arts-Third Wednesday of the month at 11:00
Socrates Café - check with staff about upcoming discussions

• Returning in September:

Mystery Book Club-First Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
Pre-School Story Time and Willow Tots- Every Friday at 11:00

• Ongoing Fundraisers:

[Pick. Click. Give.](#)
[Fred Meyer Community Rewards](#)
[Amazon Smiles](#)
Donation Jar at the Library
Donation Envelopes at P.O. and Community Center

Check Library events online:

<http://www.matsugov.us/facilities/willow-public-library>
and on Facebook!

Event details are publicized on the WACO mail list and posted on the Post Office and Library bulletin boards. To receive the mail list messages you must be signed up. Please see:

www.waco-ak.org/Maillist.php

If you don't sign up to receive community news in your electronic mailbox, please check the monthly E-Breeze:

www.waco-ak.org/Breeze.php

Have you heard the news?

1. **About 220 books were passed out along the July 4 parade route.** In the photo below, Packer and Bill Mailer are seeing that the cart is readily available to those handing out the books.



2. The **Library Raffle Drawing took place on July 4**, too, with the raffle raising \$460 for the Grow Your Library Fund. The winner of the Gary Peterson framed print is Julie Mitchell... a bit embarrassed, but so deserving to be lucky from time to time!

3. **The Summer Reading Program** has had as many as 55 kids per week and has fed as many as 70 people! The final picnic will be July 27. If you'd like to help, please let the library staff know.

4. **Update on a New Library for Willow:** WLA members visited local groups last spring with updates on the New Willow Library and Community Center Upgrades Project. The Project Development Plan is online: <http://bit.ly/WillowPDP>
A print copy is available for viewing in the library. Our next significant deadline related to this project is July 31, when a Phase Two application for funding is due to the Mat-Su Health Foundation. WLA keeps working on the project; thank you for keeping up your support, encouragement, and enthusiasm for it!
We want to move on so we can move in!

5. **Looking ahead: A DVD Swap and Sale** is in the planning stage. Stay tuned for details and enjoy what our library has to offer in the way of activities, resources, services, and programs!