Are you a librarian, library trustee, paraprofessional, volunteer or supporter of Alaska libraries?

Then you should consider joining the Alaska Library Association (AkLA).

- We are the professional organization representing all libraries and library workers in the state of Alaska.
- Our Chapters within the organization represent Anchorage, Juneau, Kenai Peninsula, Kodiak, Mat-Su, Northern (Fairbanks) and Sitka.
- In addition, members connect with colleagues with similar passions by serving on Committees dealing with Awards, Continuing Education, Intellectual Freedom, Library Advocacy, Membership, Nominations, and Social Media.

AkLA’s Mission

The mission of the Alaska Library Association is to bring the Alaska library community together through learning, advocacy, and collaborative action.

Your membership helps us provide:

- Information on legislation that effects libraries
- Advocacy for library construction projects
- Continuing education services for personnel
- Scholarships for library workers

Connect With Us:

Website: www.akla.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/AlaskaLibrary Association
Consider becoming an AkLA Sustaining Member

Help strengthen your organization and support the work we do by joining and giving as you are able.

Declining membership in recent years has drained our savings. The Executive Council has trimmed the current budget, but would like to avoid cuts that may significantly impact the ability of the organization to serve you.

So…we are asking you to join AkLA and, if you can, become a Sustaining Member by making a donation of $50 or more in addition to your annual dues. In return, you’ll be rewarded with the gratitude of your colleagues and the knowledge that you’re making a difference for Alaskans and our libraries. We’ll even give you a cool sticker, suitable for affixing to your conference badge, computer, or mobile device.

We appreciate your continued support!

Types of Membership

- **Personal** – Persons employed in a library in Alaska.
- **Associate** – Volunteers, students, trustees, friends, retired persons and others not actively employed.
- **Institutional** – Libraries or agencies which have libraries.
- **Commercial** – Vendors or firms which support libraries.
- **Sustaining** – Available to any member type, including honorary members. Just add a donation of $50 or more.

Members of all types receive access to the Alaska Library Directory and Newspoke, with paper copies on request.

For more information and to join, renew, or add a sustaining membership, go to:

http://akla.org/join/

Advocating for Libraries

AkLA Values Statements

- AkLA treasures the diversity of its membership, which represents all types and sizes of libraries from all regions of the state.
- AkLA values the spirit of cooperation and unity that defines the Alaska library community.
- AkLA believes in the right of free access to all types of information and ideas for individuals and works to safeguard intellectual freedom essential to democracy and our system of government.
- AkLA promotes professional growth through continuing education for library staff at all organization levels and stages of their careers.
- AkLA works for the advancement and protection of libraries through the political and advocacy process.