



Alpine County  
**Library**

## WELCOME TO Alpine County Library

### Autumn/Winter at the Library

Fall (and soon Winter) is here!  
Our cozy little library is the perfect place to settle in as the weather cools down!

Join us this season for our Friday Jams, Saturday Storytimes, and Book Club! In November, Behavioral Health is hosting DIY crafting sessions at the library! And the Friends of the Library Cookies and Cider return in December!

Looking for your next great read?  
**CONSIDER THESE STAFF PICKS!**

*The Cottage Series* - Emma Davies  
*Brave New World* - Aldous Huxley  
*Diary of a Wimpy Kid (Series)* - Jeff Kinney

**Volunteers Needed**

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We especially need help with:

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- Shelving / Shelf Organizing
- Book Covering
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270 Laramie St. Markleeville, CA 96120

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<https://www.alpinecountyca.gov/107>

In this newsletter, you will find:

↓ Information about ongoing programs and services, upcoming events, announcements, and collection highlights! Keep Reading!

# Announcements



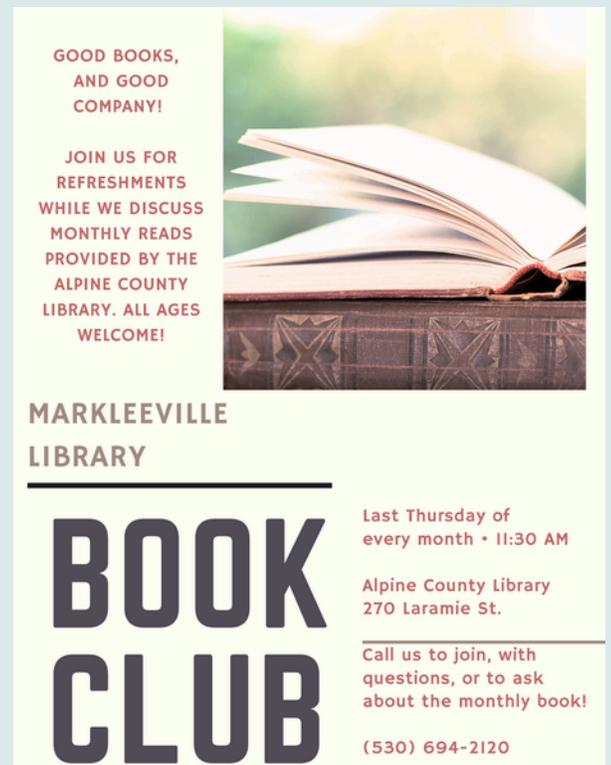
Due to reduced staffing at the library, we are shifting to quarterly newsletters for the foreseeable future. Be sure to keep an eye out for our next newsletter in January, 2026!

## Zip Books:

The funding for our Zip Books program was cut back in September, so we are finding ways to stretch the budget through June, 2026. For the time being, patrons can still order a maximum of 2 books/audiobooks per month, but instead of ordering both items simultaneously, we ask that you only order 1 item at a time (1 item per order). If you would like to order a 2<sup>nd</sup> book/audiobook for that month, you must return your current item before placing a 2<sup>nd</sup> order for the month.

## Markleeville Book Club:

The Markleeville Book Club meets in the Library on the last Thursday of every month (except for December) at 11:30am. The Friends of the Library provide hot tea & coffee in our comfortable downstairs meeting room to compliment snacks & goodies shared by club members. All are welcome! We hope to see you here!



GOOD BOOKS,  
AND GOOD  
COMPANY!

JOIN US FOR  
REFRESHMENTS  
WHILE WE DISCUSS  
MONTHLY READS  
PROVIDED BY THE  
ALPINE COUNTY  
LIBRARY. ALL AGES  
WELCOME!



MARKLEEVILLE  
LIBRARY

**BOOK  
CLUB**

Last Thursday of  
every month • 11:30 AM

Alpine County Library  
270 Laramie St.

Call us to join, with  
questions, or to ask  
about the monthly book!

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# Announcements (cont.)

## Alpine County Arts & Culture:

Alpine County Arts & Culture (ACAC) will be a part of the Touring Art Exhibition, From Here to There, which is facilitated by The Sierra Seven Arts Alliance.



The Sierra Seven Arts Alliance is inviting submissions of work from all artistic disciplines from living artists residing in or maintaining strong community ties to Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Inyo, Mariposa, Mono, or Tuolumne Counties. Submissions will be accepted through an online form between October 10th and November 28th, 2025. Artwork will be adjudicated and curated by a regional panel. A complete CALL-FOR-ART with details on submission requirements can be found at [www.c5studios.org/sierra-seven-call](http://www.c5studios.org/sierra-seven-call). The entry form can be found at: <https://forms.gle/zgSAGrknqSXnYbB2A>

Interested artists can contact their local Sierra Seven Arts Alliance member, Arts and Culture Alpine County, for more information:

Arts and Culture Alpine County  
January Riddle, Executive Director  
[Januaryridl@yahoo.com](mailto:Januaryridl@yahoo.com)  
(619) 993-2606

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# Markleeville Happenings

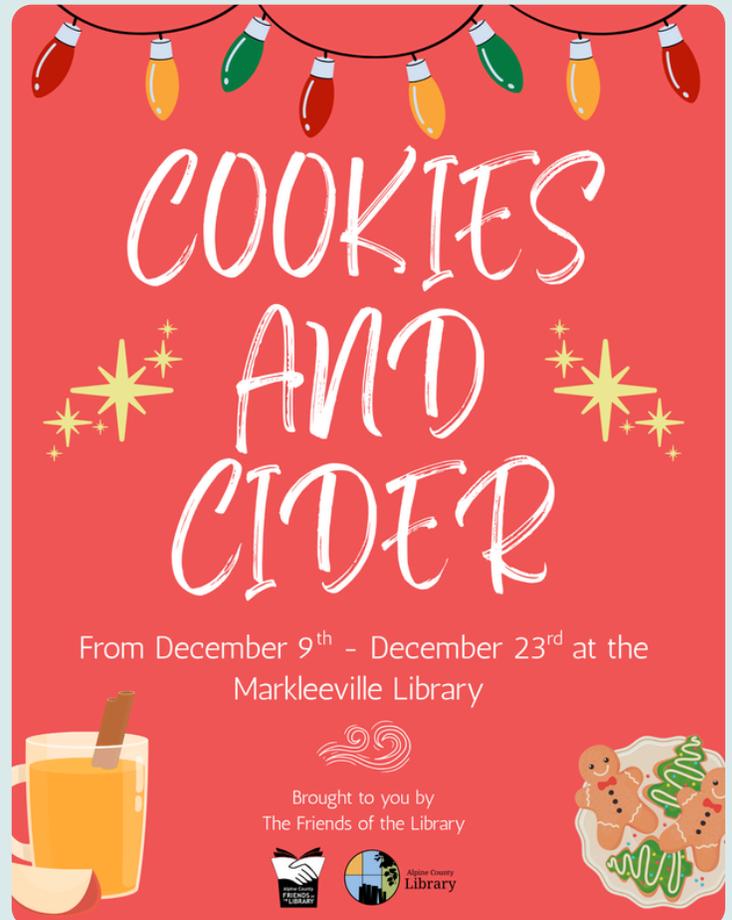
## BHS DIY Fall Craft Series

## Cookies And Cider



Alpine County Behavioral Health Services logo and other logos are at the top left. The title 'DIY FALL CRAFT SERIES' is in the center. Below are four craft projects with photos and dates: Yarn Wrapped mini Mason Jars (11/05/2025), Yarn Wrapped Vases (11/13/2025), DIY Yarn Wall Art (11/20/2025), and Mini Wreaths (11/26/2025). A table at the bottom provides details on date, time, location, and refreshments.

DATE & TIME	LOCATION	LIGHT REFRESHEMENT WILL BE SERVED
EVERY WEDNESDAY IN NOVEMBER (11.05-11.12-11.19-11.26) FROM 10 AM - 12 PM	ALPINE COUNTY LIBRARY MARKLEEVILLE, CA	



The poster features a red background with string lights at the top. The title 'COOKIES AND CIDER' is written in large, white, cursive letters. Below the title, it says 'From December 9<sup>th</sup> - December 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Markleeville Library'. At the bottom, there are illustrations of a glass of cider, a gingerbread man, and a cookie. Logos for 'The Friends of the Library' and 'Alpine County Library' are also present.

Alpine County Behavioral Health (BHS) will be leading weekly crafting sessions, every Wednesday, throughout the month of November! The crafting sessions will take place here at the library.

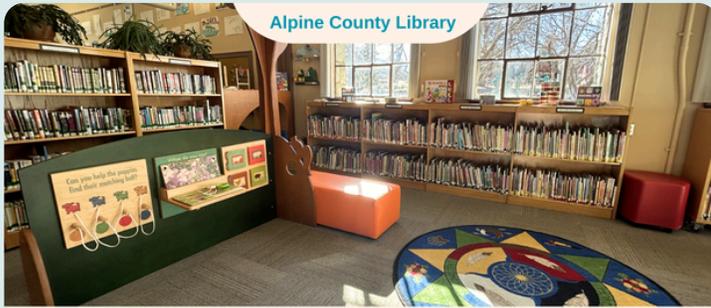
From December 9<sup>th</sup> through December 23<sup>rd</sup>, we will be hosting our annual Christmas cookies & hot apple cider provided here at the Markleeville library, courtesy of the Friends of the Library!

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# Markleeville Happenings (cont.)

## Saturday Storytime



Alpine County Library



### SATURDAY STORYTIME

- Join us every Saturday at 11am for stories, snacks, and a craft!
- Connect with other families and play in our children's space!
- This program is designed with kids aged 0-6 in mind, but we welcome kids of all ages!

**WIGGLE! SING! RHYME!**

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Markleeville Library  
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Our weekly Saturday Storytimes are still going strong! Come join us every Saturday morning from 11am - 12pm for fun stories, yummy snacks, engaging crafts, and the occasional activity! This program is primarily designed for kids aged 0-6, but we welcome children of all ages!

## Library Jam

Calling all musicians!

### Library Jam

Every Friday | 1pm - 3pm | At the Markleeville Library



Join us for a fun, low-key jam session. All skill levels welcome!

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Want to join in but don't have an instrument? No problem! The library has a variety of instruments available to check out.

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(530) 694-2120 [library@alpinecountyca.gov](mailto:library@alpinecountyca.gov)

Come join us every Friday from 1pm - 3pm for our weekly Library Jams! Musicians of all skill levels are welcome. The jams are a great way to improve your musicianship, or to just have some good fun. Even if you don't play an instrument or sing, we welcome people to come by and be an audience!

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# Bear Valley Happenings



There's lots happening at the library this Fall! MESA Program Specialist **Nathan Granados** has started a **Thursday Craft Group**, meeting from **4:00 to 6:30 PM** in the meeting room. Bring your own craft or art project—or reach out to Nathan, who can help you find something fun to work on.

The **Library Painting Group** continues to meet on **Fridays from 3:00 to 5:00 PM** in the meeting room. All are welcome! Bring your watercolor projects or use the library's watercolor supplies.

The **Bear Valley Library Book Club** will meet on **Friday, November 14th at 5:00 PM** to discuss *The Covenant of Water* by Abraham Verghese. Copies are available for checkout to book club members. If you'd like to join the discussion or be added to the book club email list, please contact the library staff.

The library staff can be reached at 209-753-6219 or at [bvlibrary@alpinecountyca.gov](mailto:bvlibrary@alpinecountyca.gov)

A graphic illustration of watercolor painting supplies. It features a white palette with various colored wells (green, orange, red, blue, purple, black), a silver brush, and a small green plant. The text is overlaid on a light pink background with a watercolor splash effect.

**THE BEAR VALLEY LIBRARY**  
*Watercolor Painting Group*  
**FREE!**

Every Friday from 3-5 PM,  
enjoy a completely free  
watercolor painting session at  
the Library. Drop-ins welcome  
—bring your own supplies or  
borrow ours.

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# Bear Valley Happenings (cont.)

## Halloween Fun at the Bear Valley Library!

The Bear Valley Library will have Halloween candy for trick-or-treaters on Thursday, October 31st from 12:30 to 5:30 PM—stop by and say hello!



Library staff will also join the fun at the Bear Valley Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 25th at 4:00 PM in the parking lot outside the Lodge. Festivities will continue inside the Lodge afterward—don't miss it!



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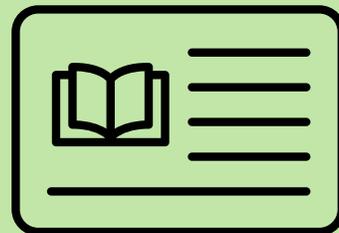
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# Library Summer Statistics



We, Alpine County Library Staff, would like to thank our Alpine community for making Summer 2025 such a vibrant and lively time of the year! Our Summer statistics were outstanding this year, and we'd like to show you all the impact *you* had on us!

**3,650** total circulations between both Markleeville and Bear Valley



**70** new people signed up for library cards this Summer



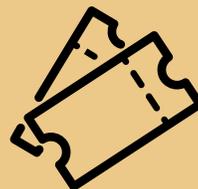
We hosted **18** programs across both branches: at the library, as well as out and about in the community



**883** people came to the library and participated in Summer programs



Our Summer Reading Program had **184** total entries, and **90** unique participants! We also got to give away **9** unique prizes to some lucky winners!



Thank you all so much for making this Summer so special!  
We're incredibly grateful to our community!

# Collection Highlights

We are excited to announce that we once again have access to The New York Times on our Digital Resources Page! Visit this link to go to our website and digitally access The New York Times today:

<https://alpinecountyca.gov/554/Digital-Resources>

You can either use an existing account (if you have one) or you can create a new account.

Our Washoe Room collection (pictured below) has grown extensively over this past year, thanks to grant funds from the Alpine County Tobacco Control Program! All of the books in our Washoe Room have been created by Indigenous authors/illustrators, and there's something in there for everyone! Juvenile Fiction/Non-Fiction, Young Adult, and Adult Fiction/Non-Fiction! We'd love for you to come by and check it out!

Lastly, our general Juvenile Non-Fiction section has been freshened up with some brand new titles! Bring your kiddos down and come see what's new!

