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## **America250-Alaska Releases *Week of Dreams* Schedule**

*Statewide coalition plans community events, youth clinics, ball games, exhibits, storybooks, online activities and more to observe the nation's 250<sup>th</sup> birthday in Alaska*

**(Anchorage, AK)** – Play ball! America250-Alaska announced today that Alaskans will have exciting opportunities to commemorate the United States' 250<sup>th</sup> birthday during a Week of Dreams and pre-season activities. Events are planned for Alaskans to get involved during this Semiquincentennial year, with a focus on celebrating Alaska's historic place in The National Pastime around the anniversary of Independence Day.

### **Pre-season schedule:**

- **February 26, 6-8pm, Mountain View Library, Anchorage:** Media and Alaskans are invited to join the Week of Dreams team to discover the vision behind America250-Alaska. 6pm informational tables hosted by partners and *Alaska's Field of Dreams: America's Pastime in the 49<sup>th</sup> State* exhibit, 6:30pm remarks and presentation on Alaska's unique baseball history, 7:30pm reception.
- **March 7, 10am–2pm, BLM Campbell Tract/Campbell Creek Science Center, Anchorage:** The Department of the Interior and Bureau of Land Management are hosting a [Freedom250 Iditarod Ceremonial Start](#) celebration and viewing party. The event will feature activities for the whole family and opportunities to learn about Alaska's mushing heritage, the Iditarod National Historic Trail, the power of public lands, and Alaska's Week of Dreams.
- **March 12, Morris Thompson Cultural Visitors Center, Fairbanks:** Media and Alaskans are invited to hear an update about the Week of Dreams, pick up the new storybook *Alaska Fields of Dreamers: America's Pastime in the Far North*, and learn how they can get involved in America250-Alaska celebrations this summer.

### **Week of Dreams schedule** (more activities will be added when confirmed):

- **June 27: PLAY BALL! youth clinic in Anchorage:** Hosted by Major League Baseball and RBI Alaska
- **TBD: Week of Dreams Opening Ceremonies at Mulcahy Stadium in Anchorage**
- **TBD: Bucs vs. Glacier Pilots at Mulcahy Stadium in Anchorage:** The cross-town Alaska Baseball League rivalry continues with Week of Dreams festivities and America250 celebrations
- **June 25 – June 28: American Legion Alaska 529 Tournament at Mulcahy Stadium in Anchorage:** Some of Alaska's top teams take on outside competition in this annual tournament
- **June 30: Celebrity Golf Tournament at Moose Run Golf Course:** A fundraiser to benefit the Alaska Sports Hall of Fame Healthy Futures program and area Little Leagues
- **July 3 10am-12pm: PLAY BALL! youth clinic at Growden Memorial Field in Fairbanks:** Hosted by Major League Baseball and Alaska Goldpanners
- **July 3: Week of Dreams Opening Ceremonies at Growden Memorial Field in Fairbanks**
- **July 3: Alaska Goldpanners game at Growden Memorial Field in Fairbanks:** Watch the Goldpanners host a baseball game at the park famous worldwide for the Midnight Sun Baseball Game and America250-Alaska festivities

“We’re building up to the Week of Dreams with pre-season wins like the pop-up exhibit *Alaska’s Field of Dreams: America’s Pastime in the 49<sup>th</sup> State* with sets traveling around the state, new storybook *Alaska Fields of Dreamers: America’s Pastime in the Far North* documenting the history – and future – of the game in Alaska, and getting Growden Memorial Field recognized on the National Register of Historic Places,” said **State Historian Dr. Katherine Ringsmuth**. “Stay tuned for announcements around throwback Alaska baseball jerseys featuring Major League Baseball players, an online Story Map of Alaska’s athletic fields and their historical importance, community movies in the park, and more events during the Week of Dreams season.”

Visit the calendar at [america250.alaska.gov](http://america250.alaska.gov) for additional Week of Dreams events, Alaskan groups hosting other America250 festivities in the state, and ways to participate in national activities.

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***The Week of Dreams team is made up of a coalition of partners planning sports-themed activities across Alaska in 2026 to celebrate the 250<sup>th</sup> birthday of the United States:*** *America250-Alaska (State of Alaska, Office of the Lt. Governor, Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks & Outdoor Recreation, and Office of History & Archaeology), Abbot-O-Rabbit Little League, Alaska Baseball League, Alaska Film Archives, Alaska Goldpanners, Alaska Historical Society, Alaska Sports Hall of Fame, Aleut Community of St. Paul, Anchorage Benton Bay Athletic Lions, Anchorage Bucs, Anchorage Glacier Pilots, American Legion Baseball, City of Fairbanks, Eagle River/Chugiak Parks & Recreation, Explore Fairbanks, Fairbanks North-Star Borough, Knik Little League, Major League Baseball PLAY BALL!, Lions Clubs (Mountain View and Lions of Multiple District 49), Municipality of Anchorage Parks & Recreation, Native Village of Eklutna, Museums Alaska, RBI Alaska, The Alliance in Support of American Legion Baseball in Alaska, and The Dome.*

***America250-Alaska financial partners:*** *America250, American Cruise Lines, Atwood Foundation, City of Fairbanks, and Walmart.*

***About America250-Alaska:*** *The guiding principle for Alaska’s participation in the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence (on July 4, 1776) is “History for Tomorrow” highlighting the importance of the next generation to Alaska’s future. The theme was inspired by the Alaska Constitutional Convention members who bequeathed the state constitution they had just forged to Alaska’s youth in 1956. “You are our future,” according to the resolution. “We ask you to take tomorrow and dream.”*