SOC HONORS STUDENT SPEARHEADS ALEXIE BOOK DRIVE

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In reaction to the Meridian school board voting to remove Sherman Alexie's young adult novel, *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian* from the Centennial High curriculum, Sara Baker joined forces with friend Jennifer Lott in Spokane, WA and Idaho teacher Stacy Lacy to create an online campaign to collect books and funds to provide 350 copies of the book to the Meridian students who signed a petition protesting the ban. The campaign quickly met its fundraising goal and the trio will be presenting the books on Friday, April 23rd for World Book Night. You can learn more about it at the [Seattle Post-Intelligencer blog](https://soc.washington.edu) or from the [radio segment on NPR](https://soc.washington.edu).

Sherman Alexie's *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian* is on the American Library Association's list of [Top Ten most challenged books](https://soc.washington.edu) for 2013.