

FRIDAY BULLETIN

NEWS FROM THE ALASKA DIVISION OF LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES & MUSEUMS

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NEWS FROM THE DIVISION

WHO WE ARE: JANE HANSEN (LAM ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER)

“See Jane run.” That’s how her job goes. She is our Administrative Officer for the whole Division of Libraries, Archives & Museums. She came to work for the State of Alaska on September 9, 1983 and her first job was with the Department of Administration in the bad old paper application days. February 1985 she moved into the accounting field with the Department of Corrections, and has never looked back. She uses all of her experience and years of knowledge to keep us on track.

Jane has enormous budget responsibilities. She manages, reconciles, researches, balances, plans, audits, tracks expenditures, and keeps the Director and Deputy informed about all of the budgetary and financial problems and progress. In addition, she oversees procurement, personnel, payroll, inventory, fleet, and all other administrative activities related to the Division’s work. Whenever we have a question about how to do something, Jane is our go-to person. “Way to run, Jane!”

ALASKA OWL: NEW VIDEO EQUIPMENT FOR NEW YEAR

The Alaska OWL Facebook page posted this announcement on Wednesday:

Good News....I just heard from CISCO and we have received 10 new C20 Videoconferencing codecs. These will be heading out to Wrangell, Kodiak, Kenai, Haines, Homer, Skagway, Juneau Public, Mendenhall, Douglas, and Unalaska. What a great way to start the new year for these libraries!!

If you're a member of Facebook, consider liking this page. So far it has 29 likes and we think there are more fans of broadband in Alaska than that. The OWL page can be found at <http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Alaska-OWL-Project/286626654693376>.

NEWS FROM L.A.M.S IN ALASKA

HOMER PUBLIC LIBRARY HIGHLIGHTS SELF-SUFFICIENCY

On December 23, 2011, the Homer Public Library posted a blog entry titled "Self-Sufficiency" at <http://homerpubliclibrary.wordpress.com/2011/12/23/december-23-self-sufficiency/>. The entry consists of book covers for the following six books:

- Self-Sufficient Life and How to Live It
- Canning
- Homegrown Whole Grains
- Storey's Guide to Raising Rabbits
- When There is No Doctor
- The Unthinkable: Who Survives When Disaster Strikes – and Why

Clicking on a book cover takes you into the Homer PL catalog where you can find more information about the item. It's a nice setup and the books themselves look interesting.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECORDING: DATA VISUALIZATION FOR ADVOCACY

Whether you work in a library, archives or museum, chances are good that you need all of the help you can get in highlighting your institution's accomplishments and value to your community. A recent webinar, "Data Visualization for Advocacy" can help in helping your community and funders literally get the picture. BlogJunction has the story at <http://blog.webjunctionworks.org/index.php/2011/12/21/making-you-data-speak-up/>. This blog entry also links to the archived recording and to tools to create your own infographics.

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