

FRIDAY BULLETIN

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FLOOD DAMAGE AT ASL TALKING BOOK CENTER

The ceiling in our Anchorage office sprung a leak this week. Patience Frederiksen offered this report:

“Seventy tiles have fallen or been removed due to water damage through our ceiling. The collection of books in their plastic cases seem to be OK. The remediation company is checking each of the books in the flooded area and opening the cases to make sure no water got in, then wiping the shelves down. We have fans and extractors and dehumidifiers and an electrician to connect them all without blowing our circuit breakers, which happened the last time we had a flood. Plumbers are scheduled to come here on Monday to work on the pipes above our ceiling. All this and we are getting ready for the ANLAMS conference next week. So it goes...”

The flood damaged area looked like this:



It took a lot of equipment to dry out these materials. How much? See for yourself?



YOUTUBE COPYRIGHT SCHOOL

Walker Wheeler of UAF pointed out YouTube’s new “Copyright School” video at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=InzDjH1-9Ns>. This video will be required viewing for users with copyright infringement claims against them. This video presents one view of copyright usage.

For a different view of copyright issues, visit ALA’s Copyright information and advocacy center at <http://www.ala.org/ala/issuesadvocacy/copyright/index.cfm>.

LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES AND MUSEUMS USING CREATIVE COMMONS

One way you and your patrons can safely reuse photos and other materials is to use material licensed as Creative Commons. There are a number of libraries, archives and museums providing such licensed material. Some of them are listed at <http://wiki.creativecommons.org/GLAM>. Here are a few interesting collections from the list that you can remix and reuse as you like:

The Land Library of Saxony - State and University Library Dresden (SLUB) German Photo Collection -

http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Category:Images_from_the_Deutsche_Fotothek.

Description from the Creative Commons GLAM Wiki:

“The Land Library of Saxony - State and University Library Dresden (SLUB) donated 250,000 photographs from their German Photo Collection (depicting scenes from German history and daily life) with corresponding captions and metadata to Wikicommons - all under Germany’s ported CC BY-SA 3.0 license or in the public domain.”

Amsterdam Online Museum - <http://ahm.adlibsoft.com/ahmonline/search.aspx>

According to the Creative Commons GLAM Wiki (and a Google Translation of the Museum's About page):

“In March 2010, The Amsterdam Historical Museum (WAAG) released its complete collection online under a CC Attribution-NonCommercial license, allowing the free redistribution and reuse of the collection for noncommercial purposes. This was the first time in the museum's history that its collection has been available to the public. The collection contains over 70,000 objects dating back to the Middle Ages and is updated on a bi-weekly basis.”

PAIR OF YUP'IK DOLLS FROM GOODNEWS BAY: SJM MAY ARTIFACT OF THE MONTH

A pair of Yup'ik dolls collected from Goodnews Bay in 1960 will be on display for the May artifact of the Month at the Sheldon Jackson Museum. The dolls were purchased by Mrs. Robert Hemp, a traveling nurse, who donated them to the Museum in 1970. The female doll, which is the taller of the pair, has a squirrel skin parka, sealskin pants, and brown wolf ruff with decorations. The male doll has a mink parka, sealskin pants, and wolf ruff. The faces are carved from wood.

For more information including pictures of the dolls, visit the Sheldon Jackson Museum's Artifact of the Month page at

http://www.museums.state.ak.us/sheldon_jackson/artifact_of_month.html

OUR AUTHORS, OUR ADVOCATES

As part of National Library Week, the American Library Association has launched a new campaign, “Our Authors, Our Advocates: Authors Speak Out for Libraries,” which enlists America's authors as articulate and powerful spokespeople for libraries. New public service announcements are available at www.ourauthorsouradvocates.org for placement on library websites and for sharing with library advocates and with those who can make a difference. (Copied from Washington State Library Updates of April 21, 2011)

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