

FRIDAY BULLETIN

NEWS FROM THE ALASKA DIVISION OF LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES & MUSEUMS

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The Alaska State Archives is seeking to hire a non-permanent Archivist I (Range 16) position. We are looking for a friendly, organized and detail oriented person who is able to work independently under the general supervision of an Archivist III.

This position will serve as the project archivist to review, organize and describe permanent Exxon Valdez Oil Spill (EVOS) Litigation Records. The EVOS Litigation records consist of approximately 2,000 boxes of materials used in court cases.

The ideal candidate will possess some or all of the following knowledge, skills, abilities and experience:

- Experience working in a small to medium-sized archival setting processing records
- Excellent organizational and multi-tasking skills
- Proficiency in Microsoft Word and Excel
- Ability to maintain a consistent and accurate work product
- Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing

- Experience with or ability to organize poorly managed record sets according to professional archival standards and procedures

For a full position description and application instructions, visit <http://tinyurl.com/ASAExxon>. You may also visit <http://workplace.alaska.gov> and click on “View Career Opportunities”, then “Department”, then “Education and Early Development.”

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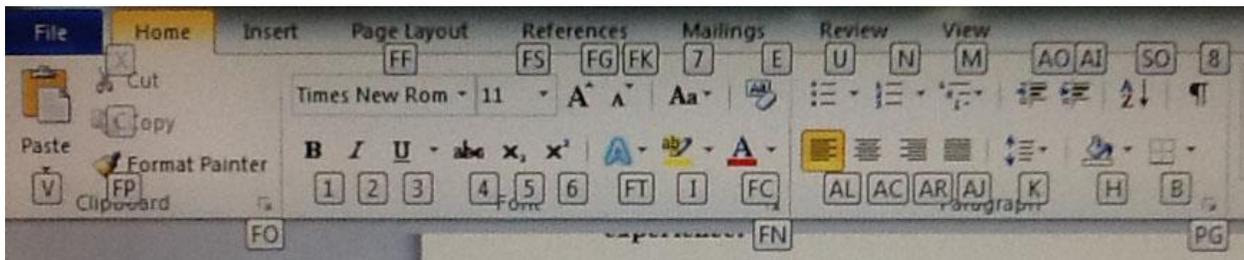
Have you been out in the field, or even merely away from your desk when you realized you could use some peer reviewed resources or a particular article? If you have a mobile device, you can have full access to the tens of thousands of articles available through EBSCOhost, one of the vendors to Alaska’s Digital Pipeline.

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For more about the EBSCOhost mobile apps, visit http://support.epnet.com/knowledge_base/detail.php?id=5718.

TECH TIP: GUIDED KEYBOARD SHORT CUTS IN MS OFFICE (WINDOWS)

Mousing around a screen can be tiring or even painful after a while. Keyboard shortcuts are good when you remember them. What if you didn’t have to? You don’t in Microsoft Office 2007 or 2010. In either version, pressing on the “ALT” key makes letters appear over various commands:



As you can see in this snapshot from Word, typing AC would center your selected text, the “1” key would bold your text and typing “N” would put your paragraphs into a numbered list. For a tutorial in using the “ALT” keyboard shortcuts in Excel, visit <http://xlcalibre.com/text-alignment-keyboard-shortcuts>.

More tips and resources for using MS Office 2010 (Windows) can be found at <http://lam.alaska.gov/Office2010>. If you have a tech tip to share, please send it to daniel.cornwall@alaska.gov. (Hat tip to Becky Orford, Alaska State Library, for this item.)

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Larra Clark, Director, Program on Networks, with the American Library Association's Office for Information Technology Policy, covered the recent Alaska OWL Broadband Sustainability Summit in a District Dispatch post earlier this week. She highlighted some of the difficulties Alaska faces, with our low population, large landmass, and limited roads, as well as the value that the project is already providing for Alaskans.

Read more about the project, the Summit, and some of the great people around Alaska working for their communities, at <http://www.districtdispatch.org/2012/10/report-from-the-alaska-owl-broadband-sustainability-summit/>.

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OWL champion and Gates Foundation media sensation Amy Marshall recently alerted us to the latest good news for the Craig Public Library. From the press release:

Alaskan booksellers at Parnassus Books and Hearthside Books nominate Craig Public Library to receive 2012 Michael Pritikin Rural Library Project.

Eugene, OR, October 15, 2012: Over 30 boxes of new books were collected on Sunday, October 14th and Monday, October 15th in Tacoma, Washington during the 2012 Pacific Northwest Booksellers Association Fall Trade Show to be donated to Craig Public Library as part of the Michael Pritikin Rural Library Project. The books, with a retail value of approximately \$15,000, are being shipped to the library at no cost by Partners West Books Distributors.

PNBA has been collecting book donations from publishers during their trade shows since 1992 for donation to a rural library nominated by member bookstores. The Rural Library Project was re-named in 2009 for longtime bookseller and project coordinator Michael Pritikin, who was killed in an automobile accident. For more information about the history of the award please visit <http://pnba.org/RuralLibrary.htm>.

For more about the Craig Public Library, visit <http://www.craigpubliclibrary.org>. If you scroll down to the end of the home page, this is where you'll find the two Gates Foundation library advocacy videos that Amy Marshall contributed to:

- Libraries: Changing Lives, Transforming Communities
- Libraries: Expanding Boundaries and Shrinking Borders

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