

FRIDAY BULLETIN

NEWS FROM THE ALASKA DIVISION OF LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES & MUSEUMS

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My position is manager of the Visitor Services and Protection section of the Alaska State Museums. Our section has a great deal of latitude to create, coordinate, and conduct public programs, K-12 educational programs, gallery tours and youth activities. I've enjoyed working within a team of talented and creative

staff with a mission to share an amazing collection of objects and art representing Alaska history, natural history, artists work and Alaska Native people with Alaska residents and visitors from around the world.

My job also carries a broad spectrum of responsibilities under the title of “protection” including conveying facility maintenance needs, overseeing facility upgrades to insure that the museum collections are protected and museum services are not interrupted and responding to facility alarms and emergencies around the clock. The most rewarding aspects of my work are due to the diversity it offers. The best day is one where I’ve shared or discovered something about the art, objects or exhibits with a student and they were inspired or engaged by their visit here. I also enjoy sleuthing a problem with the facility mechanical or security systems and figuring out what happened and how to fix it. Hence, I’m still here after 23 years and hope to be for several more.

SLAM NEWS: SUPPORT LETTER FROM FORMER HEAD NARA-ANCHORAGE

In a 4/10/2012 Juneau Empire opinion piece titled “Library, archives & museums building project deserves support,” Bruce Parham expresses support for the SLAM building project. The article can be read at <http://juneauempire.com/opinion/2012-04-10/library-archives-museums-building-project-deserves-support>.

Bruce Parham is the former director of the National Archives Anchorage field office and serves as a member of the Alaska State Historical Records Advisory Board and the Cook Inlet Historical Society Board.

THE TECH CREW, NEW FROM THE ALASKA STATE LIBRARY

The Information Services staff of the Alaska State Library wanted to share about a new program:

The Tech Crew, our tech savvy librarians and IT staff, will be available on April 16th from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Alaska State Library in Juneau to address your questions on software and hardware, including mobile devices. If we don’t have an answer, we’ll do our best to find reliable ones with you.

How can we help? Some possible questions for us include:

- How can I read library books on my mobile device?
- I keep getting an error message (please bring the specific error message with you!). What does it mean and why am I getting it? What can I do to avoid or fix the error?
- How do I make a chart in Excel?

Work-related and home computing questions are welcome. However, this is not intended to take the place of your institutional technical support. Please see your own IT staff for work computing malfunctions or explanations of institutional IT policy. We’re here to help, but cannot make repairs to your device.

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SHI PUBLISHES LANDMARK ATLAS DOCUMENTING TLINGIT, HAIDA PLACE NAMES

Sealaska Heritage Institute (SHI) has published a landmark book documenting more than 3,000 Native place names and their locations in Southeast Alaska. The book draws from hundreds of interviews. For more information see the SHI blog at <http://shispecialcollections.blogspot.com/2012/04/shi-publishes-landmark-atlas.html>.

DINOSAURS VIA OWL AT JUNEAU PUBLIC LIBRARIES

T-Rex and other dinosaurs will be brought to the downtown branch of the Juneau Public Library on April 21st thanks for the Alaska OWL project. For details see <http://juneaubookblog.wordpress.com/2012/04/05/dinosaurs-in-the-library>. For more information about the OWL project, visit their web page at <http://library.alaska.gov/dev/owl.html>.

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A major hat tip to Trina Carter of UAA for passing along this well-illustrated guide to pictures, newspaper clippings and other resources related to the sinking of the Titanic in 1912. Tabs divide this 100th anniversary exhibit into subjects such as the builder, the 3rd class passengers, the inquires and a section of legends, myths and alternative theories about the sinking. The guide was produced by the Henry G. Bennett Memorial Library of Southeastern Oklahoma State University and is available at <http://libguides.se.edu/titanic>.

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