

FRIDAY BULLETIN

NEWS FROM THE ALASKA DIVISION OF LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES & MUSEUMS

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NEW DIGITAL PIPELINE RESOURCE: TEEN HEALTH AND WELLNESS

The Alaska Library Network (ALN) is pleased to announce the addition of the Teen Health and Wellness database to SLED and the Digital Pipeline. By including the Teen Health and Wellness database, Alaskan teens, their parents or teachers can now access information as needed, twenty-four hours per day, seven days per week. The Teen Health and Wellness database, developed by Rosen Publishing, is an award-winning, critically acclaimed online resource that provides middle school and high school students with nonjudgmental, straightforward, self-help support. This resource was secured through a grant from the National Library of Medicine thanks to the efforts of Steve Rollins, the ALN Treasurer. The Alaska Medical Library will be sending posters to each high school this fall to help promote this database. Be sure to check out and then promote this fabulous new resource on <http://sled.alaska.edu>.

DIVISION TO PUBLISH BOOK ON ALASKA CENTENNIAL PROJECTS

In 1967 many communities in the state celebrated the centennial of Alaska's purchase by constructing new community facilities. Libraries, museums, civic centers and parks were built with a mixture of state, local and federal funding. Those projects have served Alaska's people well over the years and many are still in use. However, some have been retired and others are in the process of being replaced, having lived out their anticipated lifetime.

The Alaska State Museum in Juneau is a centennial celebration building and one that is slated for replacement in the near future. A new building to house the combined State Library, Archives and Museum (SLAM) has been designed and is in the process of being scheduled for construction. The new facility is to be built upon the same site as the original building, which will require the removal of the existing building. In cooperation with the City and Borough of Juneau and the State Office of History and Archaeology, a plan has been developed to memorialize this and other such centennial projects around Alaska. The plan calls for a publication to be produced to celebrate the centennial process as a whole and recognize the architectural, historical and community milestones the projects represent.

The View From the Future – 2017: 50 Years After the Alaska Purchase Centennial, will look back at each of the centennial projects to evaluate its economic, cultural and social contribution; celebrate and record the spirit of the communities that participated by developing a project or building; and explore the similarities and differences of the public dynamic that is present today within the various locations.

For the purposes of the publication, the state will be divided into regions with each region assigned a writer/historian and photographer. The publication will tell the compelling stories of each region through interviews and images of how each community has interacted with and benefited from the gift of a centennial building or project.

Writer and photographer teams selected for the project to date are: Nick Jans/Clark James Mishler; Dermot Cole/Patrick Endres; Kathleen McCoy/Jeff Schultz; Nancy Lord/Jim Lavakras; Ken Marsh/Matt Hage; and George Bryson/Mark Kelley. Tricia Brown, a former editor-in-chief of Alaska Magazine, will serve as the publications editor.

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WHO WE ARE: JULIE NIEDERHAUSER (OUTREACH LIBRARIAN)



As the outreach librarian I am responsible for determining what library services, resources and information state employees require for their work, delivering those services and evaluating state employees satisfaction with the library services they receive.

What do I do?

I listen. Part of my job is to listen to State employees, the public and staff to determine how well library services align with their needs.

I look. As Outreach librarian I look for gaps in library services and resources, as well as opportunities where we can partner with other departments, organizations and the community.

I collaborate. The best part of my job is working collaboratively and creatively with others on projects or programs that solve problems or highlight resources and services. Recent collaborations include the Russian Church Watercolor exhibit, the READ poster project, the Canvas art exhibit at the State Library, and the Information Services Focus Group.

In a nutshell, I make state employees happy by ensuring they receive the services, resources and information they need to accomplish their work. I couldn't be happier! It is a pleasure to work in a supportive and caring environment with such a group of dedicated, knowledgeable and talented staff.

ALASKA GOVERNOR'S EXXON SLIDES INDEX IS AVAILABLE ONLINE.

The Alaska State Archives has posted the four volume index of **Governor's Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Slides**. The Governor's Press Secretary employs a photographer whose job is to accompany the Governor and take lots of pictures! Shortly after the spill the photographer produced 2,000 images that cover all aspects of the spill: beach and water contamination, wildlife impact, local community impact, public meetings, prominent state officials who were deeply involved, response and remediation and the Pipeline from both ends at Deadhorse and Valdez. The 4-part Index is now available at:

http://archives.alaska.gov/for_researchers/for_researchers.html/#exxon.

And stay tuned. By summer's end 500 of the slides will be uploaded to *Alaska's Digital Archives* at <http://vilda.alaska.edu>. All will be public domain & easy access.

For further information on this project, contact Larry Hibpshman, contributor of this article at 907-465-2241 or email him at larry.hibpshman@alaska.gov.



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