

FRIDAY BULLETIN

NEWS FROM THE ALASKA DIVISION OF LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES & MUSEUMS

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NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE AT TALKING BOOK CENTER

Four volunteers participated in a National Day of Service project on Saturday, January 19, 2013 at the Alaska State Library Talking Book Center in Anchorage. The Center is shifting thousands of cassette book containers to make more room for new digital talking books. Volunteers shifted 120 shelves of books, assembled new patron packets, processed digital talking book machines and replaced broken plastic mailing containers. Bev Griffin reports that it was very helpful to have the volunteers assist with these ongoing projects. The volunteers were very interested to learn about the Talking Book Center. The volunteers got free parking, thank you certificates and free lunch and drinks for their efforts.

The Alaska State Library Talking Book Center is a cooperative effort between the National Library Service and the Alaska State Library to provide print handicapped Alaskans with talking book and Braille service.

These recordings include Gothic and romantic novels, books on travel, history and religion, as well as classics, bestsellers, mysteries, biographies and how-to books. If you know someone who can use this free

reading program - someone temporarily or permanently unable to read standard print - you can help that person fill leisure hours, continue studies or just keep in touch with the world by applying for free reading materials. For more information, visit <http://talkingbooks.alaska.gov>.

ADDITIONAL PHOTOS OF SLAM GROUNDBREAKING IN MUSEUM BULLETIN

Issue 60 of the Alaska State Museums Bulletin has some additional photos taken at last week's groundbreaking for the SLAM Project. For those photos and much more, visit <http://museumbulletin.wordpress.com/2013/01/23/alaska-state-museums-bulletin-60/>. To learn more about the SLAM project itself, visit <http://lam.alaska.gov/slam>.

SLAM GROUNDBREAKING SLIDESHOW WITH AUDIO NOW ON WEB

If you couldn't make last week's groundbreaking for the State Library, Archives and Museum (SLAM) Project, you can listen to the ceremony while viewing a slide show of the event by visiting <http://lam.alaska.gov/slam>.

SMALL ENGINE REPAIR REFERENCE CENTER MOVING TO EBSCOHOST

We received the following message from EBSCO yesterday:

We are pleased to announce that the *Small Engine Repair Reference Center* (SERRC) is moving to the EBSCO*host* platform this week. What this means to you is that:

- The PDF Viewer will easily navigate to other records within the same publication
- All standard EBSCO*host* tools, e.g., Citation Tool and Bookmark, will be available from SERRC
- Interface translation will be available
- The product will be available on *EBSCO Discovery Service* (EDS)
- Mobile device compatibility will be included

You need not do anything to accommodate this change to your SERRC subscription. Simply log in and try out the features! To learn more about SERRC, please visit this page:

<http://www.ebscohost.com/public/small-engine-repair-reference-center>

If you have any questions on these enhancements, feel free to contact us at

<http://support.ebsco.com/contact/askus.php>.

If you haven't used the *Small Engine Repair Reference Center*, it is available from the Digital Pipeline at <http://sled.alaska.edu/databases>.

NEWS FROM L.A.M.S IN ALASKA

KETCHIKAN LIBRARY GRAND OPENING COVERAGE

The 1/21/2013 print edition of the Ketchikan Daily News carried a front page account of Saturday's grand opening of the new Ketchikan Public Library. The article starts with the statement that the grand opening was "the product of decades of work, hundreds of people and millions of dollars."

Senator Bert Stedman cut the ribbon at the grand opening ceremony, which also included speakers Linda Gens, Library Director and Lew Williams III, Mayor of Ketchikan. The news article also features some gorgeous shots of the library interior.

ALASKA HISTORICAL SOCIETY FACEBOOK PAGE

Andrew Goldstein of the Valdez Museum & Historical Archive recently reported that the Alaska Historical Society (AHS) now has its own Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/AlaskaHistoricalSociety>. This page will feature photos and the latest news from AHS.

ALASKANA AWARD NOMINATIONS ENDING FEBRUARY 1ST

This is just another friendly reminder that if you wanted to submit a book for the Alaskana Award, you have till next week Friday, February 1st to do so. If you can't remember what books you read, or what was published last year, the Juneau Empire wrote an article last December listing out a number of publications (<http://juneauempire.com/art/2012-12-13/alaska-page-2012#.UQCQiFGyDxs>).

When nominating a book(s), please provide the following information:

- Author, title, place of publication, publisher and date of publication (must have been published in 2012)
- Full description of the work being nominated
- Statement of the overall impact of the publication
- Supporting documentation for this nomination should include critical testimony, such as published reviews or specially written letters that evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of the nomination which will aid the review process.

Nominations should be sent to Teresa Williams via email at: twilliams@anchoragemuseum.org.

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