

FRIDAY BULLETIN

NEWS FROM THE ALASKA DIVISION OF LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES & MUSEUMS

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TECH TIP: KEEP YOUR WEBSITE FRESH WITH W3C LINK CHECKER

If you are responsible for maintaining your institution's web site and you have external links, you might have broken links. Hand checking links is very tedious and you don't have to do it. Try out the W3C Link Checker service found at <http://validator.w3.org/checklink>. It finds both truly broken links and redirects (where the URL the link goes to switches to a different URL).

To keep from being overwhelmed by the results, check the boxes "Summary only", "Don't send the Accept-Language header" and "Don't send the Referrer header."

You may still have to do some hand checking of links because not all internet sites allow the use of automated link checkers. But you will be far ahead of doing nothing.

NEWS FROM L.A.M.S IN ALASKA

1913-1931 PETERSBURG NEWSPAPERS ARE NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

Thanks to the Petersburg Public Library, digitized versions of the following newspapers are now available online:

- Petersburg Weekly Report
- Petersburg Press
- Petersburg Herald
- The Progressive

Coverage varies, but newspaper issues from 1913-1931 are available. The archive can be reached from the Petersburg Public Library home page at <http://www.psglib.org/> or directly at <http://petersburg.advantage-preservation.com/>.

HOMER PUBLIC LIBRARY GOES OPEN SOURCE FOR CATALOG

According to LISWire, the Homer Public Library has gone live with Evergreen for their library catalog at <http://catalog.ci.homer.ak.us>. Evergreen is an open source library catalog system. For more on the announcement, see <http://liswire.com/content/homer-public-library-alaska-goes-live-evergreen>.

NEXT WEEK'S OPEN OWL VIDEOCONFERENCES

Recently it came to our attention that some users had formatting issues in the plain text version of this newsletter that made it very difficult to identify open OWL video conferences. So starting this week, we will only list videoconferences that were open for other libraries to join as of press time. Please check the OWL Videoconference Calendar at <http://library.alaska.gov/dev/owlCalendar.html> to verify that a videoconference is still open to join.

Monday, April 15

9:00am Pesticide Applicator Training

12:00pm Digital Pipeline Basics - Q & A

Tuesday, April 16

9:00am Pesticide Application Training

Wednesday, April 17

9:00am Pesticide Application Training

Friday, April 19

12:00pm French Language Group

To join a program shown above, please contact UA video staff at 800-910-9601, then press #, and press 1. To reach the Fairbanks OWL video staff by email, write to: ua-owlvideo@alaska.edu Emails to this address will go to all the Fairbanks crew, so if someone is on leave or out for the day, your email will be answered by available staff.

GREATER ANCHORAGE CHAPTER, ARMA INTERNATIONAL, ANNOUNCES ITS 2013 ANNUAL SPRING CONFERENCE

Our keynote speaker is DR. Mark Langemo, CRM, FAI. Dr. Langemo is Professor Emeritus in the College of Business and Public Administration, University of North Dakota. A highly regarded practitioner and educator with over 30 years of experience, he is a much sought after speaker and consultant in this country and internationally. A prolific writer, with over 60 magazine and journal articles to his credit, he is also the author of the training series *Establishing and Managing Successful Records Management Programs* and the book *Winning Strategies for Successful Records Management Programs*. Dr. Langemo is a dynamic speaker whose presentations are content-rich, cutting edge, and always entertaining.

We are equally excited to introduce Andrew Sanagustin, Regional Coordinator, Great Northwest Region, ARMA International. An engaging speaker, with over 20 years of experience in information and records management, he brings expertise in electronic data management, standardization, policy creation and change management. You do not want to miss his morning session on the Rules of Engagement for dealing with social media from a records management perspective. In the afternoon, his session on how to turn your records and information management program into a Leaner, Meaner and Cleaner Running Machine is a must-see no matter whether you are brand new to the profession or a veteran practitioner.

The conference will be held on Friday, May 17. For more information and to register, please go to the conference website at <http://anchoragearma.org/2013-spring-conference>.

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NEH CIVIL RIGHTS PROGRAMMING GRANTS AVAILABLE

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) is offering grants to 500 libraries and humanities organizations to develop public programming around a set of four NEH-funded films that explore the history of civil rights in America.

The Created Equal: America's Civil Rights Struggle grant opportunity is open to museums and historical societies, state humanities councils, public, academic, and community college libraries, and nonprofit community organizations. Applications are available are due by May 1st, 2013 and are available at <http://www.gilderlehrman.org/programs-exhibitions/created-equal-americas-civil-rights-struggle>.

Each participating site will receive a film set of four NEH-funded films and an award of up to \$1,200 to support public programming exploring the themes of the Created Equal project. The documentary films featured in the set are:

- The Abolitionists, on the anti-slavery movement of the 1830s;
- Slavery By Another Name, which examines forced labor practices in America from Reconstruction to World War II;

- The Loving Story, an account of the landmark 1967 Supreme Court decision Loving V. Virginia which overturned anti-miscegenation laws in the United States;
- Freedom Riders, about the brave band of student activists who challenged segregation in the Deep South during the spring and summer of 1961.

The Created Equal film set was developed through a partnership of the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History as part of NEH's Bridging Cultures initiative.

According to the information at the application link, "Any U.S. nonprofit organization with IRS tax-exempt status is eligible, as are state and local governmental agencies and federally recognized Indian tribal governments. Eligible institutions include but are not limited to public and academic libraries; museums; historical societies; cultural institutions and state humanities councils. Individuals are not eligible to apply."

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