

# FRIDAY BULLETIN

NEWS FROM THE ALASKA DIVISION OF LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES & MUSEUMS

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## NEWS FROM THE DIVISION

### TECH TIP: BATCH RESIZE IMAGES IN PHOTOSHOP AND PHOTOSHOP ELEMENTS

People often have a need to shrink their photos for posting to a web page or putting into an e-mail. If you own either Adobe Photoshop or Photoshop Elements, you can resize a bunch of pictures at once.

For Photoshop – See <http://digital-photography-school.com/how-to-batch-resize-in-photoshop> or <http://tinyurl.com/cu6qzod> (Adobe.com)

For Photoshop Elements – See <http://digital-photography-school.com/batch-processing-in-photoshop-elements>. If you are using Elements 11, make sure you have clicked on Expert mode or the batch processing options will not appear.

### CAPITOL CONSTRUCTION PHOTOS POSTED BY HISTORICAL COLLECTIONS

The Alaska State Library Historical Collections recently posted several photos from *Juneau, Alaska, Federal and Territorial Building Construction Collection* (ASL-MS272). The collection itself spans

1929-1930. The photos may be viewed on Alaska's Digital Archives at <http://vilda.alaska.edu/cdm/ref/collection/cdmg21/id/16017>.

## **NEWS FROM L.A.M.S IN ALASKA**

### **NEXT WEEK'S OPEN OWL VIDEO CONFERENCES**

To join a program shown below, please contact Artem at 800-910-9601, then press #, and press 1. To reach the Fairbanks OWL video staff by email, write to: [ua-owlvideo@alaska.edu](mailto:ua-owlvideo@alaska.edu).

Monday, June 3

12:00pm Spanish Language Group - OPEN

6:00pm Creating a Life Worth Living: An Introduction to Positive Psychology - OPEN

Tuesday, June 4

7:00pm Pearl Harbor: Inside the Vault – OPEN. A description of this videoconference may be found at <http://seldovialibrary.wordpress.com/2013/05/30/pearl-harbor-inside-the-vault/>.

Wednesday, June 5

12:15pm Environment and Culture of Tibet: Continuity and Change - OPEN

1:00pm AkLA CD Roundtable - Weeding Meeting - OPEN

Friday, June 7

12:00pm French Language Group – OPEN

### **SELDOVIA LIBRARY JOINS TWITTER**

The Seldovia Public Library joined Twitter on May 27, 2013. Their tweets at <https://twitter.com/SeldoviaLibrary> have so far focused on library events. As of this writing they have four followers but this will certainly rise in the coming weeks.

## **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **FAFSA (STUDENT FINANCIAL AID) AND LIBRARIES**

We recently received the following note from the US Department of Education:

The U.S. Department of Education's office of Federal Student Aid provides more than \$150 billion in financial aid to college and career school students each year. We encourage you to make use of our free informational resources to benefit your patrons.

Attached (See pages after end of *Bulletin*.) are two documents that describe some of our products and services:

- The first document, "Federal Student Aid Web Resources," provides a list of websites that are available to students to help them learn about and apply for financial aid. The document also

includes shortcut URLs to popular topics and lists resources for those who assist students in learning about financial aid.

- The second document, “Help Students Find Money for College or Career School,” provides instructions for ordering free materials from our distribution center and highlights a few publications that may be relevant to your patrons.

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# Web Resources

## For Students

### Federal Student Aid Information and Application

- [StudentAid.gov](http://StudentAid.gov): Comprehensive, detailed information on federal student aid
- [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov): *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* site includes the application as well *FAFSA4caster*, an early eligibility estimator
- [www.nsls.ed.gov](http://www.nsls.ed.gov): National Student Loan Data System allows financial aid recipient to view his or her federal student loan and grant data

### URL Shortcuts to Student Aid.gov Content

Topic	URL
Basic FAFSA info: what is it and how do you fill it out	<a href="http://StudentAid.gov/fafsa">StudentAid.gov/fafsa</a> and <a href="http://StudentAid.gov/complete">StudentAid.gov/complete</a>
Dependency status for FAFSA purposes	<a href="http://StudentAid.gov/dependency">StudentAid.gov/dependency</a>
Types of financial aid	<a href="http://StudentAid.gov/types">StudentAid.gov/types</a>
Who can get federal student aid	<a href="http://StudentAid.gov/eligibility">StudentAid.gov/eligibility</a>
Finding and applying for scholarships	<a href="http://StudentAid.gov/scholarships">StudentAid.gov/scholarships</a>
Loan repayment	<a href="http://StudentAid.gov/repay">StudentAid.gov/repay</a>
College Preparation Checklist: academic and financial preparation for elementary school through adult students	<a href="http://StudentAid.gov/checklist">StudentAid.gov/checklist</a>
Info for parents (tax benefits, support your child, college costs)	<a href="http://StudentAid.gov/parent">StudentAid.gov/parent</a>
Graduate school funding	<a href="http://StudentAid.gov/grad">StudentAid.gov/grad</a>
Fact sheets, infographics, brochures on all topics	<a href="http://StudentAid.gov/resources">StudentAid.gov/resources</a>

### Federal Student Aid Videos and Infographics

- [www.YouTube.com/FederalStudentAid](http://www.YouTube.com/FederalStudentAid): Federal Student Aid YouTube channel
- [Visual.ly/users/FederalStudentAid](http://Visual.ly/users/FederalStudentAid): Infographics about financial aid, the application process, and loan repayment

### Federal Student Aid Social Media Pages

- [www.Twitter.com/FAFSA](http://www.Twitter.com/FAFSA): Follow @FAFSA on Twitter for FAFSA information and financial aid tips
- [www.Facebook.com/FederalStudentAid](http://www.Facebook.com/FederalStudentAid): Federal Student Aid Facebook page

### For Librarians and Others Assisting Students With Financial Aid

- [www.fsa4counselors.ed.gov](http://www.fsa4counselors.ed.gov): Provides tools for outreach and working with students and for professional development
- [www.YouTube.com/FederalStudentAid](http://www.YouTube.com/FederalStudentAid) **Professional Resources playlist**: Includes how-to videos on embedding Federal Student Aid's infographics, @FAFSA Twitter stream, and/or videos in your website

# Library Ordering Instructions

## Step One: Join our mailing list

If you do not have a mailing list (ML) number, call the Federal Student Aid Publications Ordering System (FSAPubs) at 1-800-394-7084. ML numbers are available to libraries, high schools, college access programs, associations, tribal governments, and similar entities.

## Step Two: Order forms and publications

Using your ML number as identification, you can order the following free items (and many more) at [www.FSAPubs.gov](http://www.FSAPubs.gov) or by e-mailing [orders@fsapubs.gov](mailto:orders@fsapubs.gov):

- *College Preparation Checklist* and Spanish version: *Lista de preparación para los estudios universitarios*—best foundation for college-bound students of all ages (elementary school through adult students)
- *Do You Need Money for College? Federal Student Aid at a Glance* and Spanish version: *¿Necesita dinero para la universidad?*—best for those college students and spring-semester high school seniors who want a brief overview of the federal aid programs and tips on filling out the FAFSA but don't need the “to do” list of the *College Preparation Checklist*
- *My Future, My Way: First Steps Toward College* (a workbook for students in middle and junior high schools)—best for 6th- to 9th-graders who need encouragement to think about their future

These free items are available by download or special request, as indicated:

- *We Have A Bright Future* poster—for people working with American Indians, Alaska Natives, or Native Hawaiians; request from [cindy.cameron@ed.gov](mailto:cindy.cameron@ed.gov); PDF at [StudentAid.gov/resources](http://StudentAid.gov/resources)
- Fact sheets explaining federal aid programs and procedures, inspiring students to go to postsecondary school, and providing fraud prevention advice—download at [StudentAid.gov/resources](http://StudentAid.gov/resources)

These free items are available from the Federal Student Aid Information Center at 1-800-4-FED-AID:

- *Funding Education Beyond High School: Audio Highlights* on CD
- Braille *Funding Your Education: The Guide to Federal Student Aid*
- Braille FAFSA instructions

Note: Students and parents may read most of these publications at [StudentAid.gov/resources](http://StudentAid.gov/resources) or order single copies at [www.edpubs.gov](http://www.edpubs.gov) or 1-877-4-ED-PUBS.