

FRIDAY BULLETIN

NEWS FROM THE ALASKA DIVISION OF LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES & MUSEUMS

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ALASKA KNOWLEDGE CENTER NOW OPEN FOR STAFF AND PATRONS

As part of our Alaska Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) grant project librarians Roz Goodman and Krystie DuPue have put together the Alaska KnOWledge Center. The Center is at <http://library.alaska.gov/dev/knowledge.html> and contains a mix of links and original tutorials/factsheets in the following areas:

- Alaskan Essentials, including how to register for MyAlaska
- Productivity Tools
- Job Development
- Internet
- E-commerce
- Mobile Devices
- Additional Resources
- Digital Photography
- Social Media

- E-mail
- Computer Fundamentals

When space allows, we plan to feature material from the Alaska KnOWLedge Center in the *Friday Bulletin* as we believe the resources are likely to be useful to libraries, archives and museum staff and visitors.

ALASKA KNOWLEDGE CENTER: LINKEDIN BASICS

“LinkedIn Basics” is a six part tutorial that you can find from the “Job Development” section of the Alaska KnOWLedge Center at <http://library.alaska.gov/dev/knowledge.html>. LinkedIn is a business networking site for employers, jobseekers and people with jobs looking to network within their fields. The “LinkedIn Basics” tutorial from the Goodwill Community Foundation walks you through the basics of creating a profile and adding material that may make you more attractive to potential employers.

STATE IS ACCEPTING LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION GRANT APPLICATIONS

The Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development is accepting applications for the FY 2015 Library Construction and Major Expansion Matching Grant Program. The primary objective of the Library Construction and Major Expansion Matching Grant Program is to provide communities with the financial assistance needed to help construct a public library or make a major expansion and associated renovations to an existing public library.

Subject to appropriation, the program provides not more than 50 percent of the total proposed grant project costs to an eligible applicant. The application period ends 4:30pm, Friday, August 30, 2013. For more information and application materials, visit <http://commerce.alaska.gov/dnn/dcra/GrantsSection/LibraryConstructionGrantProgram.aspx>.

NEWS FROM L.A.M.S IN ALASKA

PROJECT JUKEBOX TO DOCUMENT BARROW SEA ICE OBSERVATIONS

The North Pacific Research Board has provided a \$61,205 grant to the oral history program at the University of Alaska Fairbanks Elmer E. Rasmuson Library. The funds will be used to work with the community of Barrow to record and preserve traditional knowledge of sea ice in the Barrow area. The records will be added to the Project Jukebox site at UAF. For more, visit the UAF Cornerstone article at <http://uafcornerstone.net/oral-historians-to-document-barrow-sea-ice-observations/>.

CONSTRUCTION BEGINS ON NEW NORTH POLE LIBRARY

Last month the North Pole Library held a groundbreaking ceremony for their new public library. Read about it in the 6/19/2013 Fairbanks Daily News Miner article “New library for North Pole: Building is designed with an eye toward the future” at the somewhat jaw crushing URL of http://www.newsminer.com/news/local_news/new-library-for-north-pole-building-is-designed-with-an/article_35a60e4a-d8b9-11e2-9ff5-0019bb30f31a.html.

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A 6/25/2013 report from the Pew Internet & American Life Project suggests that the under 30 crowd are more likely to read printed books and use physical libraries than older Americans. Some specific findings:

- **85% of 16-17 year-olds read at least one print book in the past year**, making them significantly more likely to have read a book in this format than any other age group.
- **Younger patrons are significantly more likely than their elders to use libraries as places to sit and read, study, or watch or listen to media**; 60% of younger patrons say they go to the library do this, compared with 45% of library visitors ages 30 and older.
- **67% of younger Americans ages 16-29 say they would be interested in a digital media lab** where patrons could create and upload new digital content; some 27% say they would be “very likely” to use such a resource.[\[1\]](#)
- **44% of library visitors under age 30 have used a library’s computers, internet, or a public WI-FI network**, compared with just 27% of those ages 30 and older.

Read more at <http://www.pewinternet.org/Press-Releases/2013/Digital-natives-are-still-bound-to-printed-media.aspx>.

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