

FRIDAY BULLETIN

NEWS FROM THE ALASKA DIVISION OF LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES & MUSEUMS

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We were recently contacted by someone trying to play the game “Crazy Plant Shop” at BrainPop’s GameUp area and who could only play a demo level. After the demo they were offered a chance to buy a subscription to the game.

After checking with BrainPop, we verified that most of the games in the GameUp area are created by third party vendors and not covered by our subscription. Games produced by BrainPop itself are freely playable. The maker of the game is shown in the description.

This originally ran in the 12/21/2012 edition of the Bulletin, but is worth repeating with school starting soon.

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>.

ALASKA KNOWLEDGE CENTER: JOB SEARCHING

The last tutorial from the Job Development section of the Alaska KnOWLedge Center (<http://library.alaska.gov/dev/knowledge.html>) is Job Searching from the Goodwill Community Foundation. This tutorial is broken up into the following modules:

- Job Search Savvy
- Find a Job Online
- Networking Basics
- Job Hunt with Social Media
- LinkedIn Basics
- Personal Branding 101

In addition to these modules, the tutorial features interactives and extras, including “Responding to an online job posting” and “How volunteering can help you land a job.”

Since this tutorial is from a national organization, it doesn’t mention Alaska specific online job listings. Here are a few to get you started:

- Alexsys (<https://alexsys.labor.state.ak.us/>) – Mix of private and public employers
- University of Alaska Jobs (<http://www.uakjobs.com>)
- Workplace of Alaska (<http://workplace.alaska.gov>) – Source of most Alaska state government job listings

SEARCH CONTINUES FOR PUBLIC LIBRARY AND CONTINUING ED COORDINATOR

The position of Public Library and Continuing Education Coordinator at the Alaska State Library is now posted on Workplace Alaska. The closing date is August 21, 2013. **It is open to all applicants.**

If you are interested in applying for this position, please go to Workplace Alaska at: <http://doa.alaska.gov/dop/workplace/> Click on Current Job Openings in the right column. In the search criteria select Library on the list. If you have any questions about the position, please contact Sue Sherif by phone at 907-269-6569 (Toll-Free in Alaska: 800-776-6566) or by e-mail at sue.sherif@alaska.gov.

If you have any questions about the application process or the application form, please contact the Alaska State Division of Personnel and Labor Relations at 1-800-587-0430 (toll-free in Alaska) or 1-907-465-4095 (Juneau and out-of-state callers).

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The videoconferences listed below 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, August 19

10:00am Music of Inner Asia - OPEN

Thursday, August 22

4:00pm Creating and Conducting Your Own Usability Study - OPEN

Friday, August 23

12:00pm French Language Group -- OPEN

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.

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HENSLEY TO TEACH ALASKA POLICY FRONTIERS CLASS THIS FALL

We were recently forwarded the following e-mail from William Hensley (Author of *Fifty Miles from Tomorrow*) and thought it would be of interest to all:

Good morning Tabetha. I am teaching my Alaska Policy Frontiers class again this fall and am attaching the syllabus. If you know of anyone who may be interested in expanding their knowledge of Alaska's history, economics and public policy, please send them the syllabus. If they are interested, they can email me (whensle2@uaa.alaska.edu) or Janet Burton. She is at 786-4171 and can be emailed at anjeb@cbpp.uaa.alaska.edu.

We cover some Russian history in the Siberian advance, the formation of the Russian American Company, we have presenters from the indigenous people of the Aleutians, Kodiak and the Gulf area and the Tlingits, we also have both sides of the Pebble Mine issue, energy policy, state fiscal issues and the history of Federal Indian boarding schools as well as discussions about the Land Claims Settlement. Prof. Hensley

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