

FRIDAY BULLETIN

NEWS FROM THE ALASKA DIVISION OF LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES & MUSEUMS

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OWL GRANT EXTENDED

OWL got its official notification of extension this past Tuesday, August 20, 2013. We can now spend the remaining federal money that we were granted as well as the new allocation from the State Legislature. The extension of the US Department of Commerce funds runs through September 30, 2014. There was much rejoicing on the [OWL Facebook page](#).

ALASKA KNOWLEDGE CENTER: CONNECTING TO THE INTERNET

“Connecting to the Internet” is a Goodwill Community Foundation tutorial available from the “Internet” section of the Alaska KnOWledge Center at <http://library.alaska.gov/dev/knowledge.html>. This tutorial has six major sections:

- Choosing an internet service (includes an explanation of the different kinds of service)

- Hardware
- Web browsers
- Setting up your Internet connection
- Home networking
- Setting up a home network

The tutorial concludes with some challenge tasks.

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

NEW WEBSITE FOR VALDEZ MUSEUM

This past week, the Valdez Museum announced it had launched a new website at <http://www.valdezmuseum.org/>. It earned immediate praise on the Alaska Museums email discussion list and looks to have a number of sections of use to libraries and museums in Alaska. It also has a link to the Gold Rush Names Database that contains over 8,000 records.

NEXT WEEK ON OWL

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.

Thursday, August 29

10:00am Health Insurance Marketplace Training for Library Staff - OPEN

4:30pm Online Internet Safety For Parents - OPEN

5:00pm Intro To Entrepreneurship - OPEN

Friday, August 30

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.

NEW ANCHORAGE MUSEUM VIDEO: MATERIAL TRADITIONS – SEWING SALMON

We recently record the following e-mail from the Smithsonian Arctic Studies Center at the Anchorage Museum:

The Sewing Salmon residency -- hosted by the Smithsonian Institution's Arctic Studies Center at the Anchorage Museum -- brought three contemporary Native artists together for a week of teaching, learning from each other, and studying museum pieces created by previous generations. Each has a unique approach to her work, and a commitment to this almost-lost art.

To watch the video short, click on:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u38rPWITkjc&list=SP33278BF298794573&index=11>

Or, go the [National Museum of Natural History](#) website. Click the YouTube icon at the upper right, and then select the Living Our Cultures entry. Scroll down to video #11: Material Traditions - Sewing Salmon.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

CDC HELPS YOU DECIDE HOW MUCH IS A CUP OF?

Values in nutritional tables usually give fruit and vegetable services in terms of cups. But how can you compare that potato or those stalks of celery to a cup without dicing them? The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have put together a chart at <http://www.cdc.gov/nutrition/everyone/fruitsvegetables/cup.html#cup> that helps you make that whole fruit/veggie to cup conversion easy. Because this is a federal government agency page that appears to use in-house graphics for their poster, printing and posting this page is copyright friendly. More nutrition resources from the CDC can be found at <http://www.cdc.gov/nutrition/everyone/resources/index.html>.

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