

FRIDAY BULLETIN

NEWS FROM THE ALASKA DIVISION OF LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES & MUSEUMS

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DIGITAL LEARNING DAY ACTIVITIES

February 5, 2014 is Digital Learning Day across the country and we are encouraging all Alaskan librarians and teachers to participate in Digital Learning Day 2014 by planning a digital learning event within their own community! Here are the events we are currently aware of:

HAINES BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Title: Haines School Integrates Technology

Activity: As part of the Digital Learning Day, sponsored by the Alaska State Library, the Haines Borough School District's Technology Program put together a short video showing how we integrate technology in the classroom.

Video Link: <http://tinyurl.com/hainestechmovie>

ALASKA STATE LIBRARY

Title: Podcasting 101

Activity: The Alaska State Library in Juneau will be hosting a Podcasting 101 panel discussion on February 5th from 12:15 to 1 pm. Staff will share information on how organizations and/or individuals

can plan, produce and promote podcasts. Topics to be discussed will include: contacting potential interviewees and crafting interview questions, recording the interview, using Audacity to edit audio files, using blogs to host the podcasts and RSS feeds.

KENAI COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Title: Digital Learning Day - Resource Highlight

Activity: Introduce the online resources that the State Library has to offer. Answer questions that may arise. Take survey on programs that patrons want or need.

Every school or library that holds a Digital Learning Day event (except us) will be entered in a drawing for an iPad. Add your event today by visiting <http://library.alaska.gov/is/digitalLearning1.aspx>.

NEW GUIDE: CREATING AND OPTIMIZING DOCUMENTS FOR EREADERS AND MOBILE DEVICES

Staff at the Division have created a resource guide to creating and optimizing documents for ereaders and other mobile devices. General tips are covered as well as application specific tips for Adobe Acrobat Professional, Adobe InDesign and Microsoft Word. The guide can be found at <http://lam.alaska.gov/MobilePublishing>.

MUSEUM CHIEF CURATOR SOUGHT BY DIVISION

The Department of Education and Early Development, Division of Libraries, Archives & Museums (LAM) is still seeking a Chief Curator for the Alaska State Museum.

This position is responsible for the daily operation and administration of all programs and activities within the Alaska State Museums, and provides leadership to the Museums team. The incumbent is responsible for coordinating, implementing, and managing museum planning, development, and activities statewide for both the Alaska State Museum in Juneau and the Sheldon Jackson Museum in Sitka.

Salary is \$6,600/month and position closes Tuesday 1/21/2014.

To view the full announcement and to apply, visit <http://workplace.alaska.gov> and do a keyword search for "chief curator" or visit <http://tinyurl.com/asmcurator>.

NEWS FROM L.A.M.S IN ALASKA

OWL VIDEOCONFERENCES COMING IN FEBRUARY

This month we announce video conferences known to be held in February. Our next Friday Bulletin announcement of OWL videoconferences will be on February 7th and will list March 2014 Videoconferences. Get the scoop on what happens in between by visiting the OWL Videoconference Calendar at <http://library.alaska.gov/dev/owlCalendar.html>.

The videoconferences listed below were open for other libraries to join as of press time. Please check the OWL Videoconference Calendar to verify that a videoconference is still open to join.

Saturday, February 1

2:00pm Crude Oil Course Part 4: Biodegradation: What does this mean? How fast does it occur?
How much oil is degraded? OPEN

Wednesday, February 5

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

Friday, February 7

10:15am Visiting Glacier Bay - PENDING (OPEN)

Thursday, February 27

4:45pm Brass Tacks Business Basics - OPEN

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.

LET AKLA HELP YOU INTO A NEW CAREER WITH A SCHOLARSHIP

Since 1992, a year after Clara Sitter suggested the Alaska Library Association create a scholarship for students pursuing a Master of Library Science (MLS) degree, fifty-one Alaskans have been awarded the AkLA scholarship. Initially a single \$2000.00 scholarship was awarded each year. By 2001 the number of scholarships awarded and the amount of the scholarship had increased to \$4000.00 due to additional funding from the Alaska State Library.

While not all AkLA scholarship recipients have chosen to remain in Alaska, many of those that have remained have become library and community leaders. Some past AkLA scholarship recipients include: Elise Tomlinson, Director of the Egan Library for the University of Southeast, Juneau; Stacey Glaser, Director of the Chukchi Consortium Library, Kotzebue, and current AkLA President; Ann Dixon, Director of the Homer Public Library; Mollie Good, Director of the Valdez Consortium Library; Linda Wynn, Records Manager for Sealaska and past AkLA President.

Information on the Alaska Library Association scholarship is available online, <http://akla.org/scholarships/application-and-reference-forms/>. Completed application and reference forms must be received by January 15 of the award year. For more information contact Julie Niederhauser, Julie.niederhauser@alaska.gov or call (907) 465-2916 or within Alaska, (888) 465-2916.

NOMINATE YOUR FAVORITE ALASKANA TODAY!

We're re-running the note from Teresa Williams so that you have another opportunity to nominate your favorite Alaskana book for an award:

It's that time again to nominate your favorite Alaska works for the annual AkLA Alaskana Award. The deadline for submission is January 17, 2014.

The Alaskana award was established in 1994 to honor outstanding adult fiction and nonfiction works about Alaska published in any format. Works that will be considered make a significant contribution to

the understanding of Alaska; exhibit originality, depth of research and knowledge of Alaska; and have been published in the calendar year preceding the AkLA conference (published in 2013) at which the award will be presented. The author is not required to be an Alaskan resident.

Information to include in the nomination:

- Author, title, place of publication, publisher, and date of publication (2013)
- Full description of the work being nominated
- Statement of the overall impact of the publication
- Supporting documentation for this nomination should include critical testimony, such as published reviews or specially written letters that evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of the nomination which will aid the review process.

Nominations must be received by Friday, January 17, 2014. You can mail, email or fax your nominations to me. My contact information is below. If you have any questions, feel free to call.

Happy Reading,
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