

FRIDAY BULLETIN

NEWS FROM THE ALASKA DIVISION OF LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES & MUSEUMS

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NEWS FROM THE DIVISION

MUSEUM FINAL FRIDAY - CELEBRATING THE END OF AN ERA

The Alaska State Museum will close at the end of February to make way for “Phase- 2b” of the new State Libraries, Archives and Museum (SLAM!) building being constructed on the existing museum site. All of Juneau and the museum’s statewide community – former as well as current – friends, volunteers, and staff are invited to a farewell gathering, hosted by The Friends of the Alaska State Museum, from 5 to 9 p.m. on Friday, February 28, 2014 – the very last day the museum will be open to the public. Much like New Year’s Eve, “Final Friday” will be a time for reveling, reflection and remembrances. In good company – and with live music – this is an opportunity to add your own personal museum memories, sentiments, and images to a five-decade timeline, take a long last look at the exhibits on the first floor, and glimpse

behind-the-scenes at the packing and a good segment of the museum's spectacular paintings that are currently being staged salon-style and without interpretive labels on the otherwise gutted second floor.

The museum is open to the public with free admission through all of February. During the final two weeks, the museum memories timeline will be up on the walls surrounding the eagle nesting tree ramp. Included on the timeline will be listings of temporary exhibits, several images, old posters, and the names of over 1,300 volunteers and just under 300 museum staff and contractors who have been involved in the museum between 1967 and 2014. There will also be plenty of blank sheets and pens for you to help complete and share the institutional memory for posterity, and you're invited to affix photographs as well.

Can't make the party? You can still share your memories by visiting <http://museums.alaska.gov/Forms/MuseumMemories>. Your memories will be collected and compiled as a collection of personal stories about the museum and building.

Want to know what's happening to the people and objects of the Alaska State Museum after the party? Visit http://museums.alaska.gov/LAM/documents/Museum_bubbles.pdf.

JANUARY SLAM PHOTOS UP – THE LAST FOR AWHILE

January 2014 construction site photos of the new SLAM Building are now available at <http://museums.alaska.gov/LAM/slam/sitePhotos.html>.

Because the current phase of construction has moved inside our nearly completed vault section, we are suspending our exterior shots till the next phase of construction. Stay tuned during the spring for some inside the vault photos!

NEW MOVIES FROM MANGO PREMIERE

The “learn language through film” service from Mango is starring four more movies. Mango Premiere has added:

- Light of My Eyes (Italian)
- Lake Tahoe (Spanish)
- The Order of the Myths (English for Spanish, Latin America Speakers)
- The Unforeseen (English for Spanish, Latin America Speakers)

To access Mango Languages, visit the [A-Z list](#) at the Digital Pipeline.

NEWS FROM L.A.M.S IN ALASKA

TRACY SWAIM NEW ALASKA LIBRARY NETWORK DIRECTOR

Here's a special announcement from Steve Rollins:

While I am still in denial regarding Nina Malyshev's upcoming retirement as the Director of the Alaska Library Network, I am glad to welcome back to Alaska, Tracy Swaim, as ALN's new director. Many of us will remember Tracy for his outstanding work with the Alaska State

Library. Since leaving Alaska for Vermont in 2004, Tracy has had a successful career as an academic librarian, a public library director, and as the co-owner of a cafe. He will be leaving his current position as Assistant Director for User Services at the Merrimack Valley Library Consortium in North Andover, MA. You will have a chance to welcome Tracy back to the state next week since he will be attending the AkLA conference.

VIDEO TALK OF DENA'INAQ' HUCH'ULYESHI: THE DENA'INA WAY OF LIVING

Our friends at the Anchorage Museum used the OWL Network to share images and information from their new exhibit Dena'inaq' Huch'ulyeshi: The Dena'ina Way of Living. The video is currently the featured archived videoconference at <http://library.alaska.gov/dev/owlArchives.html>.

CRAIG PUBLIC LIBRARY CELEBRATES TEEN TECH WEEK WITH 3D PRINTER

We recently received this happy news from Amy Marshall at the Craig Public Library:

The Craig Public Library received a \$1,000 grant from YALSA (Young Adult Library Services Association) and The Best Buy Children's Foundation for **Teen Tech WeekTM**. Teens from Craig will be building an Airwolf 5.5 3D Printer that will be available for library patrons. The pre-soldered kit will ship from Airwolf in California next week and the teens will begin the build on Saturday, March 8th. During the week, teens will be meeting over the [Alaska OWL](#) Video Conferencing Network with techs and 3D printing enthusiasts to swap tips and tricks about the construction and operation of the printer.

On Friday, March 14th, at 5pm, the library will host the **3rd Annual Pi-Einstein Day Celebration!** The public is invited for Pizza (Pie!), Pie (Pie!), and the unveiling and demonstration of the Teens' 3D Printer (which counts as a math/science program, so: Pi!). Once assembled, it will be one of the first 3D printers available for patron use at a library in Alaska.

Please check out our website: <http://www.craigpubliclibrary.org> and follow the Teen Tech WeekTM links to the build site and other programs to celebrate the week. For more information about the grant and build project, please contact Library Director Amy K. Marshall (907) 826-3281 or director@craigpubliclibrary.org. For more information about the 5.5 3D Printer Kit itself, please contact Eva Wolf at Airwolf 3D Printers (949) 478-2933 or Eva@airwolf3d.com.

Read more at <http://www.craigpubliclibrary.org/3d-printer-press-release.html>. We look forward to seeing what patrons at the Craig Public Library will be printing up!

If your institution has a 3D printer or other Makerspace style equipment, we'd love to hear from you.

AFSC HISTORICAL CORNER: FEDERAL MARINE FISHERIES IN ALASKA

The National Marine Fisheries Service, Alaska Fisheries Science Center has launched a set of history pages on a new section of the AFSC website that includes an extensive collection of historical photographs, online resources, and selected references. These web pages include extensive timelines of important regional federal fisheries research and events; detailed accounts of the vessels used to conduct science, enforcement, and other activities; descriptions of the laboratories, research centers, and field stations in Alaska that supported the work; and brief bios of a few early pioneers in federal fisheries.

Please visit <http://www.afsc.noaa.gov/history/default.htm> for more.

MOBILE APP: FELTBOARD-MOTHER GOOSE ON THE LOOSE

Claudia Haines is the Youth Services Librarian at the Homer Public Library and she recently sent us this quick review of a kid friendly mobile app:

Feltboard-Mother Goose on the Loose by Software Smoothie is a free app based on Betsy Diamant-Cohen's Mother Goose on the Loose Early Literacy Program. Pieces and characters from beloved nursery rhymes are available for adding to the digital felt board as you act out the scenes and sing along. Songs and rhymes included. Mother Goose on the Loose is one of several digital felt board apps from Software Smoothie that provide open ended play, an easy to use interface and no in-app marketing. It's great for use during storytime (or in the classroom) and anytime either displayed on an iPad or mirrored on to a bigger screen.

Where to get it: <http://www.softwaresmoothie.com/app/felt-board-mother-goose-loose/>
(Free, available for iPad only)

Claudia has more thoughts about mobile apps for kids and we'll be featuring more of her reviews in the future. If you have a favorite resource in the library, archives or museum field, send us a short review and we may feature it in a future issue.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORKSHOP INVITATION FOR AMERICAN INDIAN LIBRARIES

Representatives from federal, state, public, academic, and special libraries and library associations serving American Indians are invited to attend a free workshop entitled *American Indian Libraries Initiative: Making Connections*, on March 31, at the Library of Congress. The session will be available by web conferencing for those who cannot attend in person.

The event, which is organized by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) and the Department of the Interior Library, and hosted by the Federal Library and Information Network (FEDLINK), is an opportunity for these librarians to connect with their colleagues across the country; to learn about resources available via FEDLINK, the Department of the Interior Library, and IMLS; and to hear from libraries with grants from IMLS.

Date: Monday, March 31, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET

Location: Montpelier Room, Madison Building, Library of Congress
101 Independence Ave., Washington, DC 20540

Public Transportation: Metro Accessible by Capitol South (Blue/Orange Line)

Registration: Registration is free, but advanced registration is required. [Register online here](#). Web conferencing is available. Please let us know when you register if you plan to attend in person or virtually. If you cannot attend after registering, please notify FEDLINK at (202) 707-4848 to free a spot for another registrant.

Five recent grant recipients will discuss how they used IMLS funds to meet local needs and will also address resource gaps that may still exist. Attendees will hear from the following:

- Salish Kootenai College D'Arcy McNickle Library (Montana)
- Aaniiih Nakoda College Library (Montana)
- Sealaska Heritage Institute (Alaska)
- Jamestown S'Klallam Tribal Library (Washington)

This event is sponsored by the FEDLINK Education Working Group. For more information, call FEDLINK (202) 707-4848 or TTY (202) 707-4995. Request ADA accommodations five business days in advance at ADA@loc.gov

WEBINAR: USCIS CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION AND INITIATIVES

The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) continue their series of free webinars for public libraries about immigration and U.S. citizenship topics with a second webinar on March 6.

The USCIS Citizenship Education and Initiatives presentation will build on many of the topics discussed in the first USCIS-IMLS webinar held on February 4, 2014. Specifically, this webinar will highlight USCIS educational resources related to citizenship and the naturalization process, as well as information on how libraries can actively engage in citizenship-related activities and events.

The webinar will also review USCIS resources designed to protect individuals from immigration services scams and discuss the types of assistance librarians can provide to immigrant patrons. It is not necessary to have participated in the first USCIS-IMLS webinar to participate in this session.

Webinar: USCIS Citizenship Education and Initiatives

Date and Time: Thursday, March 6, from 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. EST.

Registration: Register by March 4th. To register, follow this link for the USCIS [Public Engagement Division email alert service](#), and enter your email address. Once you have entered your email, click on the "Subscriber Preferences" tab and then select "Event Registration." Please provide the additional requested information to complete your registration. You will receive the URL for the webinar and the conference phone line information from USCIS shortly after you register.

This series was developed as part of a partnership between IMLS and USCIS to ensure that librarians have the necessary tools and knowledge to refer their patrons to accurate and reliable sources of information on immigration-related topics. To find out more about the partnership, the webinar series, and archived webinar recordings and transcripts, visit the [Serving New Americans page](#) of the IMLS website. Additional USCIS resources for libraries can be found on their [libraries](#) page.

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