

FRIDAY BULLETIN

NEWS FROM THE ALASKA DIVISION OF LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES & MUSEUMS

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Submissions for the Friday Bulletin should be sent to linda.thibodeau@alaska.gov and may be edited for content and length if used.

No *Bulletin* was published last week owing to the AkLA Conference.

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FINAL FRIDAY: ALASKANS SAY GOODBYE TO THE ALASKA STATE MUSEUM

Last Friday, the Alaska State Museum in Juneau closed its doors to the public. They went out in style with a party described in the Capital City Weekly [article Final Friday: Alaskans say goodbye to the Alaska State Museum](#). People quoted in the article included people from State Senator Dennis Egan to noted storyteller Grace Elliot.

The State Museum is collecting memories of the old building at <http://museums.alaska.gov/Forms/MuseumMemories>. Your memories will be saved and compiled for a future publication.

What happens to the Museum now? Check out [our answers](#) to “What’s going to happen to ...?” The Alaska State Museum will reopen in Spring 2016 as part of the [Statewide Library, Archives Museum \(SLAM\) Building](#).

If your travel plans take you to Sitka, remember that the other Alaska State Museum, better known as the [Sheldon Jackson Museum](#), remains open for your visiting pleasure and cultural edification.

NEWS FROM L.A.M.S IN ALASKA

APP REVIEW: ANIMAL SOUNDS

Claudia Haines, Youth Services Librarian for the Homer Public Library sent in this app review:

[Animal Sounds - Fun Toddler Game](#) (Innovative Mobile Apps, 2011)
iPhone/iPad

Free

At first glance, Animal Sounds- Fun Toddler Game looks just like a flashcard game designed for one on one use with young children. In fact, it can be a great early literacy tool for an animal storytime with young children. The app features twenty high quality animal sounds with two different clear photos of the associated animal, each on a white background with the name of the animal in black letters below the image. (Additional animal sounds and images are available for \$.99.) Tapping the image of the animal changes it between the first and second option. The sound of the animal plays with each tap.

To play the guessing game, the librarian or teacher holds the iPad or iPhone/iTouch facing his/her body (so children can't see the animal image) and then taps the thumbnail image of the animal on the home screen. Tapping makes the animal sound play and reveals the animal flashcard. The children guess the name of the animal that made the sound and the librarian then turns the device towards the children to show them the source of the sound. Pointing to the name of the animal at the bottom of the screen as the name is read aloud helps children become familiar with printed language and understand that print has meaning, both of which are part of print awareness, one of six early literacy skills. The full screen flashcard format makes for a great activity to extend themes and provides different learning opportunities.

APRIL OWL VIDEO CONFERENCES

This month we announce video conferences known to be held in March. Our next Friday Bulletin announcement of OWL videoconferences will be on April 4th and will list May 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.

Tuesday, April 1

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

Friday, April 4

12:00pm French Language Practice Group - OPEN

2:00pm Oil Spill Lecture: Effects of Dispersants and Dispersed Oil (PENDING) - OPEN

Friday, April 11

12:00pm French Language Practice Group - OPEN

Thursday, April 17

4:00pm Ready to Read Resources - OPEN

5:00pm Heck Yeah! It's Time to Start My Own Business- OPEN

Friday, April 18

12:00pm French Language Practice Group - OPEN

4:00pm Summer Reading Imaginarium Program - OPEN

Monday, April 21

4:00pm Summer Reading Demo and Program Ideas - OPEN

Friday, April 25

12:00pm Lunch and Learn with the Anchorage Symphony Orchestra - OPEN

12:00pm French Language Practice Group - OPEN

4:00pm Summer Reading Imaginarium Program – 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.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

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In part because they realized their photos were all over the web anyway, The Getty (<http://www.gettyimages.com>) announced that it will 35 million of its photos to be legally shared for non-commercial uses through embedding. Information about this service is available from <http://www.gettyimages.com/Creative/Frontdoor/embed>. You'll probably want to review their terms of use.

Use of their photos gives them the right to track you now and may allow them to advertise through the photos later. But it is still a big step forward in sharing.

For a positive perspective on this development, see the 3/6/2014 Atlantic article "[Why Getty Going Free Is Such a Big Deal, Explained in Getty Images](#)" by Megan Garber. For a less enthusiastic take, see professional communicator Krishna De's 3/6/2014 blog post "[Getty Images allows publishers to embed images and three reasons you may not want to use the feature.](#)"

DIGITAL IMAGES COLLECTION GUIDE FROM ALA CONNECT

ALA Connect (connect.ala.org) is an online community for library workers, created by the American Library Association. There are some very interesting things tucked away in its corners like the Digital Images Collections Guide at <http://connect.ala.org/node/152079>. From the website:

Below is a curated bibliography of quality digital image collections spanning ~85 subjects, including ~950 digital collections, that have been culled primarily from the LibGuides

Community, and several subject areas have been further refined by 20 subject liaison librarians at the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities. To browse by 8 general discipline areas see: <https://www.lib.umn.edu/media/imageguide> (non-editable). The goal of the site is to share this work with the visual resources community, hopefully making the resource stronger through participation for others to repurpose.

The section on Costume Design image collections may be of special interest to museums.

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