

FRIDAY BULLETIN

NEWS FROM THE ALASKA DIVISION OF LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES & MUSEUMS

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We are seeking two adventurous VISTAs to serve in Southeast Alaska, known for its beautiful scenery, wildlife viewing and kayaking opportunities.

We are recruiting 1 VISTA for Kake and 1 VISTA for Craig (to join a team of 2 other VISTAs in the Prince of Wales Island region). The goal of the Libraries Build Communities project is to improve the educational and economic opportunities for residents in Craig and Kate, while also increasing the effectiveness, services and sustainability of the public library in each of these communities. The VISTA volunteer will work collaboratively with local and state agencies, schools and non-profits: * To use community assessment information to develop workshops, online self-paced training opportunities and resources that focus on financial literacy, job readiness skills and entrepreneurship; * To create sustainable early literacy centers in each library and develop programs that promote early literacy, numeracy skill and school readiness; and * To improve library services by developing library trustee training, volunteer recruitment and management procedures and grant writing; **Benefits include:

Monthly living allowance (\$1,222), relocation costs (\$0.34/mile up to \$1000) and settling in allowance (\$550) for relocating members, health benefits, child care assistance, training, and an Education Award (\$5,775) or cash stipend.

**Preference given to candidates who apply by Dec 1. If selected for these VISTA roles, your service year would begin in Feb 2016. (Exact date TBA)

For more information on these VISTA positions or to apply use the link below
<https://my.americorps.gov/mp/listing/viewListing.do?id=58451&fromSearch=true>

MY ALASKA AND PFD TUTORIALS FROM DIGITAL LITERACY: ALASKA KNOWLEDGE CENTER

As we close in on PFD filing season in a few months, your patrons may wish to visit “Digital Literacy: Alaska KnOWLedge Center: Alaskan Essentials” at <http://lam.alaska.gov/digitalliteracy/akessentials>.

This section of the guide features links to tutorials on signing up for MyAlaska and PFD Online Application Information.

You may also want to visit the [MyAlaska Help page](#) or the [PFD Division Home page](#) for further information.

Send feedback on this section or any of the linked tutorials to Daniel Cornwall at daniel.cornwall@alaska.gov.

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SHIRLY JACKSON COMMUNITY (KAKE) LIBRARY RECEIVES GRANT

The Shirly Jackson Community Library is proud to announce it has received a \$1,765.00 grant from the Crossett Fund. These funds will help establish an early literacy program at the library for children under three years of age. The early literacy program will consist of a weekly lap sit story hour and theme based early literacy kits that parents or caregivers may check out from the library. Each literacy kit will include books, a puppet and suggested age appropriate learning activities.

The purpose of the Crossett Fund is to improve the health of children living in southeast Alaska.
<http://www.crossettfund.org/default.asp>

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WASHINGTON STATE LIBRARIAN SEARCH ANNOUNCEMENT

The Office of the Secretary of State, located in Olympia, Washington, is seeking a library services professional to shape the vision, develop the strategic plan and provide the leadership required to transform the Washington State Library into a model public resource, through which information is available in digital form, accessible anytime and anywhere.

The ideal candidate will be an advocate for thoughtful, purposeful modernization; a nimble leader with extensive success in building strong teams and high morale; an excellent communicator who is comfortable in front of a wide variety of audiences; and an exceptional administrator who is adept at managing resources and can demonstrate the value of library programs and services.

Applications must be submitted through careers.wa.gov online and include an application, resume, salary history, and letter of interest.

The screening process for this position is ongoing and will continue until the position is filled. If you have applied for this position already, your application is still under consideration and there is no need to reapply.

See the attached announcement or visit <http://careers.wa.gov/> for information on applying.

Using careers.wa.gov, select Look for Jobs, scroll to Department and select "Office of the Secretary of State," then click on Apply Search located farther down the screen; the Washington State Librarian recruitment is part of the resulting list.

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