

FRIDAY BULLETIN

NEWS FROM THE ALASKA DIVISION OF LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES & MUSEUMS

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ARCHIVES RESEARCH ROOM UPDATE: STILL CLOSED, ALL HOLDINGS MOVED

5/28/2015 - Until further notice, the Alaska State Archives Research Room is closed. The collection vault of the new Statewide Library, Archives & Museum (SLAM) facility has been completed and all of our holdings have been moved in. However, the vault still resides within an active construction zone that is currently owned by the construction contractor. Due to construction activities, including legal and permit requirements, we cannot transfer materials in or out of the vault at this time. Normalized access to the vault is scheduled for October. Reference inquiries with a narrow scope can be accomplished in some cases out of the collection vault. You may contact us if you have any plans to visit the State Archives. Reference queries may be directed to:

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NEW PODCAST: MOVING THE STATE LIBRARY, ARCHIVES AND MUSEUM

The Alaska State Library recently posted the following podcast:

Episode 22: Moving the Library, Archives, and Museum

Next spring, the Father Andrew P. Kashevaroff State Library, Archives, and Museum will open in Juneau, but first, the objects, records, books, manuscripts, maps, microfilm, photographs, lantern slides, and glass plate negatives in the collections have to move in to the new, secure storage areas. In this podcast, SLAM project assistant Jennifer Treadway talks with librarian Claire Imamura about her role in coordinating the moves of the Alaska State Library, Archives, and Museum, her background, and what she's looking forward to in 2016.

[Listen to podcast \(.mp3\)](#)

[13 minutes]

Recorded on May 8, 2015

- [Project SLAM website](#): Find the latest about the project, see photos, construction documents, and links to SLAM-related news

NEWS FROM L.A.M.S IN ALASKA

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In a post titled [National Museum and Library Medal Winners Inspire “Makers” Across America](#), the IMLS [UpNext blog](#) had this to say about 2015 National Medal for Museum and Library Service winner Craig Public Library:

Craig Public Library (Craig, AK): The award for Craig Public Library, located on remote Prince of Wales Island in southeast Alaska, was accepted by library director Amy K. Marshall and eleven-year-old Colin Rice. Fascinated with computer coding and technology, Colin was determined to get a 3D printer on the island. When the school system couldn't purchase one, the library said it would help. Colin helped build the machine and demonstrate its operation during a community-wide Pi-Einstein day. Craig Public Library also brings STEM learning and opportunities to its small community through youth programs such as weekly science camps, robotics with LEGOs, and maker events.

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As noted below, “USDA-RD is now accepting applications for its [Distance Learning and Telemedicine \(DLT\) Grant program](#), which provides increased access to education, training and health care resources in rural areas.” Applications must be submitted electronically or postmarked by July 6th. Additional details and links are available below. The Federal Register notice is available at http://www.rd.usda.gov/files/UTP_NOSADLT_2015-12222.pdf.

Eligible Applicants are as follows:

1. Eligible Applicants (See 7 CFR 1703.103)

- a. Only entities legally organized as one of the following are eligible for DLT grants:
 - i. An incorporated organization or a partnership,
 - ii. An Indian tribe or tribal organization, as defined in 25 U.S.C. 450b,
 - iii. A state or local unit of government,
 - iv. A consortium, as defined in 7 CFR 1703.102,
 - v. A library, or
 - vi. Other legal entity, including a private corporation organized on a for profit or not-for-profit basis.
- b. Individuals are not eligible for DLT program financial assistance directly.
- c. Electric and telecommunications borrowers under the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 901 *et seq.*) are not eligible for grants.
- d. Corporations that have been convicted of a Federal felony within the past 24 months are not eligible. Any corporation that has any unpaid federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability, is not eligible for financial assistance.
- e. Applicants must have an active registration with current information in the System for Award Management (SAM) (previously the Central Contractor Registry (CCR)) at <https://www.sam.gov> and have a Dun and Bradstreet (D&B) Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number.

As noted in the Federal Register announcement, “The grants, which are awarded through a competitive process, may be used to fund telecommunications enabled information, audio and video equipment, and related advanced technologies which extend educational and medical applications into rural areas.”

If you have any questions about this grant opportunity, please contact: Shawn Arner, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Loan Origination and Approval Division, Rural Utilities Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture at (202) 720-0800.

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In an [article on io9.com](#), Ria Misra provides a brief description of how dry ice is being used to clean archival materials. For a more academic treatment of this technique in comparison to rubber-based chemical sponges, see:

2009. Irwin, Seth and Silverman, Randy. *A Comparison of Two Soot Removal Techniques: “Dry Ice Dusting” and Rubber-based Chemical Sponges* **Proceedings of the 2009 Western Association for Art Conservation Annual Meeting.**

http://cool.conservation-us.org/coolaic/sg/bpg/exec/meetings/2009/LCCDG_2009_Irwin.pdf

Alaska State Museum Conservator Ellen Carrlee attended Irwin’s presentation and blogged about it in an entry titled [WAAC 2009 in Juneau: Aug 21 Sessions](#).

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