

Friday Bulletin

News from the Alaska State Libraries, Archives & Museums

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Last week OWL videoconference network usage included:

- Training sessions for a school/public library boot camp (Two people who did NOT have to travel from Juneau to Fairbanks)
- A school board meeting
- A library staff meeting between branches
- The Shakespeare lecture - "Who Wrote the First Folio?"
- French language practice
- Social Security hearings

If you're a library wishing to schedule a videoconference, use the [Videoconference Request Form](#).

If you're an agency or organization wishing to use the OWL Videoconference Network for either group or one on one video conferencing to save travel dollars, contact your local library or OWL Program Manager Daniel Cornwall at daniel.cornwall@alaska.gov.

See what's on tap in the coming weeks on the OWL Videoconferencing Network by visiting <http://library.alaska.gov/dev/owl.html>.

NEWS FROM L.A.M.S IN ALASKA

IMLS GRANTS SHARE PLANT KNOWLEDGE, IMPROVE MUSEUM CARE

Two museums in Alaska received grants from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) for the coming year through the Native American/Native Hawaiian Museum Services program:

Koniag, Inc. / Alutiiq Museum

Award: \$48,208.00

Description: To increase knowledge of traditional plant use, support Alutiiq language revitalization, and advance the understanding of tribal traditions, the Alutiiq Museum will embark upon the first phase of Naut'staat - The Kodiak Alutiiq Plantlore Project. Grant funds will be used to transform an existing archive of Alutiiq ethnobotanical information and images into print-ready book manuscript and plan for its publication. The 150-page report, compiled 30 years ago, reflects the knowledge of experienced Alutiiq plant users island-wide, many of whom are no longer living. This project will benefit the community and scholars by compiling, preserving, and sharing Alutiiq language terms for commonly used Kodiak Island plants, as well as documenting and sharing lost cultural knowledge for current and future generations.

Seldovia Village Tribe / Seldovia Museum

Award: \$50,000.00

Description: The Seldovia Museum will improve the care of its collections and provide assistance to other museums through a three-part project. In the first phase of the project, the museum will organize a workshop for 12 staff from small Alaskan museums to gain skills in storage support fabrication and basic object conservation and cleaning. Participants will receive a collection care toolkit for ongoing use. In the second phase of the project, the Seldovia Museum will enhance its collections storage area with archival-grade containers and storage supports, in addition to upgrading its collections database software. Digital collections management policies and procedures will be developed and tested in the third phase of the project and distributed as a template to other museums. The policies will strengthen the museum staff's ability to manage and preserve its growing collections of digital materials, and to increase public accessibility.

ARCHIVED WEBINAR: MEDIA MENTORSHIP AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT IN THE DIGITAL AGE

The Association for Library Services for Children (ALSC) recently held a webinar titled *Media Mentorship and Family Engagement in the Digital Age* which featured Homer librarian Claudia Haines, among others.

- [View the archived webinar](#)
- [Download the slides from the webinar](#)

Resources mentioned in the webinar include:

- Ready Rosie tech and early childhood videos: <https://readyrosie.com/readyrosie-at-naeyc-annual-conference/>
- Future Ready report: <http://tech.ed.gov/files/2015/12/NETP16.pdf>
- Chip Donohue's books: <https://www.routledge.com/products/search?author=Chip%20Donohue>
- *Becoming a Media Mentor* by Claudia Haines, Cen Campbell and ALSC: <http://www.alastore.ala.org/detail.aspx?ID=11720> (available soon!)
- The ASLC white paper, *Media Mentorship in Libraries Serving Youth*: <http://www.ala.org/alsc/mediamentorship>
- A Media Mentor's Reading List: <https://nevershushed.com/2016/07/27/a-media-mentors-reading-list/>
- Evaluating Apps and New Media for Young Children: A Rubric: <https://nevershushed.com/2015/01/05/evaluating-apps-and-new-media-for-young-children-a-rubric/>

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES TEAMING WITH GOOGLE FOR HISTORY OF US DEMOCRACY

We recently received the following e-mail from the National Archives that we feel will be of interest to teachers and historians:

Sharing historic moments through Google Arts & Culture's American Democracy Collection

From political campaigns to conventions, from constitutional amendments to landmark documents, the holdings of the National Archives document the history of American democracy in action.

To share some of these historic moments, we are pleased to participate in Google Arts & Culture's [American Democracy collection](#), contributing thirteen interactive online exhibits that tell the story of presidential elections in the United States. These specially curated exhibits feature historic photos, documents, videos, and stories related to the history and evolution of elections, how we amend the Constitution, political cartoons and campaign memorabilia.

Some highlights in this exhibit collection include a document proposing a Constitutional amendment to [elect the President with a lot system](#), the story of how LBJ championed the [Civil Rights Act of 1964](#), as well as presidents on the campaign trail, including some never-before-seen pictures of President [Richard Nixon addressing the crowd](#) at the Republican National Convention of 1972, photographed by renowned photographer Ollie Atkins and the White House Photo Office.



Richard Nixon Standing at RNC Podium Over Delegates, Campaign 1972

View [all of the U.S. National Archives online exhibits](#) in the American Democracy Collection and on Google Cultural Institute.

This project is part of the Google Arts & Culture's American Democracy collection, which brings together over 70 exhibits and 2500+ artifacts from 44 institutions dedicated to the preservation of U.S. political history and the practice of American democracy.



"Housewives for Truman" in New York, 1948

Can't get enough campaign memorabilia? Be sure to follow our [#ElectionCollection Instagram challenge](#) to see more quirky, cool and surprising historic memorabilia!

We note in passing that the Alaska State Museum has a nice set of Alaskan political memorabilia on display. If you're in Juneau, stop on by!

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