Unalaska Public Library -- Daniel Masoni, Librarian Monthly Report February, 2013

Library use in February, 2013 totaled 12,912 patrons who checked out 25,852 items. One Hundred Eighty-four Interlibrary Loan requests were originated by patrons. As of the end of the month 7,010 active library borrowers (who had used their library cards within the last 60 months) been registered and 59 Reference Questions had been answered.

Online With Libraries statistics are being maintained for the OWL Project Staff. 4,008 OWL computer sessions were initiated during the month of February and 5,861 library patrons exclusively used computer-based resources.

The library recorded 29 hours of volunteer participation in public activities programming by 12 individuals during the month of February.

No accidents or incidents took place at the library during the month of February.

The library deposited fines and fees totaling \$2,523.05 in February.

Library use in February climbed as the Pollack Season went into full-swing. The spike in library income noted above occurred when Fishing Company of Alaska rented the Library Main Meeting Room for employee safety training. Excluding that week-long rental, February income from Fines and Fees was \$1,299.05.

The library staff was very busy planning Summer Reading activities and a third annual Scrabble Tournament.

The Librarian continued to monitor legislative action that could affect the local library budget and defend grant applications during the month of February. Currently the House Finance Sub-Committee headed by Tammie Wilson has removed a substantial portion of the Governor's Digital Initiative from the proposed FY14 State Operating Budget, eliminated the Governor's proposal that Live Homework Help be funded, and made the Digital Initiative "one-time" funding rather than permanent funding that is reviewed every few years. Electronic communication attempting to restore the funding has been initiated.