

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

Library use in March, 2013 totaled 15,681 patrons who checked out 20,055 items. Seventy-eight Interlibrary Loan requests were originated by patrons. As of the end of the month 7,073 active library borrowers (who had used their library cards within the last 60 months) been registered and 122 Reference Questions had been answered.

Online With Libraries statistics are being maintained for the OWL Project Staff. 4,670 OWL computer sessions were initiated during the month of March and 8,873 library patrons exclusively used computer-based resources.

The library recorded 22 hours of volunteer participation in public activities programming by 18 individuals during the month of March.

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

The library deposited fines and fees totaling \$2,158.55 in March.

Lockheed Martin (MorphoTrust) is presently in final negotiations for a new TWIC Office site in Unalaska. The firm is looking for possible employees who can pass the necessary background checks to become Trusted Agents. I envision the office moving before my last day as a TA on June 30th. The new office will be a Universal Enrollment Center with fingerprinting, photo printing ability for passports, and CDL Hazmat Testing available in addition to TWIC Enrollment and Activation. A trainer will come out to Unalaska to install all new equipment in the office, train new employees, and box-up existing equipment for return to Lockheed Martin.

The OWL Project is providing another expenses-reimbursed round of training for participating libraries on April 17-18 in Anchorage. I am sending Robin Harris to the training so he can transition into a lead employee for the OWL Program.

The second year request for the IMLS Native American Library Grant has been completed and submitted. The NAL Grant is now on a three year funding cycle. This grant provides \$6,000 in materials and \$1,000 for travel to support training for the Unalaska City High School Librarian. Again, I must thank the Ounalashka Corporation for its continuing support. OC-backed NAL grants to the public library now total \$108,000 since 1994. Prior to 1994, Ray Hudson used NAL funds to purchase most of the present Aleutian Region Collection housed in our Ray Hudson/Alaskana Collection.

The Alaska Library Network (ALN) is now providing LISTEN ALASKA PLUS. The On-line program is a shared approach to availability of downloadable e-books as well as audio book materials. The Unalaska Public Library will be expanding its contracts with ALN to include Listen Alaska Plus in the next 30 to 60 days.