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Newsletter

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Egan Library turns 25!

The campus and community are invited to toast the 25th anniversary of the Egan Library. The event will include guitar music by John Unzicker. Liana Wallace will be available to answer questions about the NW Coast Native Art in the building, and friends from the past 25 years of service to the UAS community will share memories. Attendees are encouraged to become founding members of the Friends of the Egan Library and to stay for the Sound and Motion event at 7pm featuring Alaskan author Andy Hall.

25th Anniversary Reception, 5-7pm Friday March 27th

Sound and Motion, 7pm

"Denali's Howl: the Deadliest Climbing Disaster on America's Wildest Peak."

Andy Hall, Author

In 1967, twelve young men attempted to climb Alaska's Mount McKinley—known to the locals as Denali—one of the most popular and deadly mountaineering destinations in the world. Only five survived. Journalist Andy Hall, son of the park superintendent at the time, investigated the tragedy in his book,

Denali's Howl. Sponsored by UAS Alumni and Development Office.

In future years, the Friends of the Egan Library will host an annual reception in the Spring showcasing members of the UAS community who have published in the previous year.

Named after William A. Egan, Chair of Alaska's Constitutional Convention and the state's first governor (1959-66, 1970-74), the university's 50,000-square-foot library opened in 1990. The architectural firms BOOR/A and Jensen Douglas jointly designed the facility and won a 1991 Honor Award for Excellence in Architecture from the American Institute of Architects for it. Skylights and expansive two-story windows provide natural daylight as well as views of Auke Lake and the surrounding rainforest.

The facility is not only worth visiting for its academic resources and services and attractive architecture but also for the collection of Northwest Coast Native Art it houses, including wood carvings, basketry, and Ravenstail weaving. A grizzly bear skeleton, cleaned and prepared by a former student, is also on display on the lower level.



- 25th Anniversary Celebration
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Faculty Conference Presentations

The Alaska Library Association is a non-profit professional organization for all types of libraries throughout the state of Alaska. This year the conference was in Juneau (February 26 – March 1). Egan Library faculty and staff worked with State and Public librarians and library staff from Juneau and throughout the state to host this year's conference themed *Channel Our Voices*. We had four days in a row of sunshine and dynamic sessions including the following presented by library faculty:

- From Alaska to Helsinki: Observations and Highlights of a Semester Abroad (Jennifer Ward)
- The Digital Public Library of America and the 3 P's (Jonas Lamb)
- Teaching and Learning with Digital Treasures (Bethany Wilkes and Jennifer Ward)

- Reeling in Readers: A Review of Recent Reader's Advisory Bait, Lures and Hooks from a Public and Academic Library Perspective (Jonas Lamb, with Reference Librarians Catherine Melville and Andi Hirsh)
- Change the Channel: Find a New and Cool Assignment for Your Teaching (Page Brannon/ UAA, Micah Muer/ UAA-Matsu, Karen Jensen/ UAF, Bethany Wilkes/ UAS)

The Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) will host its annual conference March 25-28th in Portland. Egan Librarian Jonas Lamb will participate in the panel session:

- The Digital Public Library of America and Academic Libraries: How the DPLA Advances Teaching, Learning, and Research

ALASKA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION AUTHORS TO ALASKA LUNCHEON

A keynote: "From Fanfiction to Fairy Tales:" was presented by Marissa Meyer, an award winning young adult novelist. Also honored at the author luncheon were UAS Faculty Emily Wall and Ernestine Hayes.

FAST FACTS: E-BOOK COLLECTION

56%

Portion of Egan Library book collection: print

44%

Portion of Egan Library book collection: ebooks

DID YOU KNOW

44% (over 124,000*) of all Egan Library books are e-books. These are available for use 24/7 to UAS affiliates from anywhere in the world! *FY14 figure

New Book Review: Summer Melt



Find it on the New Book shelf. Call # is LC208.8.C37 2014

Summer Melt: Supporting Low-Income Students Through the Transition to College, by Benjamin L. Castleman and Lindsay C. Page (Harvard Education Press, 2014), is a new book selected in the Egan Collection.

The author/researchers use the term "summer melt" to describe the phenomenon where as many as one in five high school graduates who have been accepted to college and intend to enroll fail to matriculate anywhere in the fall. These students, predominantly from low-income families, encounter challenges during the summer that derail their plans for college.

The book explores the causes for summer melt and reports on successful intervention strategies used by high schools and colleges.

This book may be of interest to UAS counselors, faculty and administrators.

"*Summer Melt* addresses an urgent national issue. These practical strategies for increasing college enrollment among underrepresented students will affect the lives of thousands of young people across the country." — Teresa A. Sullivan, president, University of Virginia