January 2013 E-newsletter

Pink Brain, Blue Brain: the amazing baby brain
What’s the real difference between boy babies and girl babies? Neuroscientist and best-selling author Dr. Lise Eliot will talk about that and other issues at a free public talk, 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 1, in the Wilda Marston Theatre, Z.J. Loussac Public Library, Anchorage. Learn more.

Imagination Library reaches 100 Alaska communities
Where isn’t Imagination Library? That’s getting to be the question now that Imagination Library is in 100 Alaska communities, from tiny villages to the largest metro areas. There are 29 local Imagination Libraries, many of them serving more than one community. See how it’s growing across Alaska.

Strong foundation bolsters partnerships
The best, most durable structures have a solid foundation, and Best Beginnings’ early childhood partnerships stand firmly on “four pillars.” What do seven partnerships in seven different communities have in common, and how is each of them making these pillars real? Read more.

Join Abbe Hensley in making New Year’s Resolutions
Who can resist New Year’s resolutions? I certainly can’t. So this month I’m sharing a few of mine, and I’d like to hear yours, too. Click here.

Valdez Imagination Library kick-off
“All Aboard the Valdez Imagination Library” as they kick-off January 26 with a train-themed enrollment party. Like them on Facebook and hop on board as Valdez becomes Alaska’s 100th Imagination Library community!

Give today...
...and help Best Beginnings raise awareness of early
Healthy Alaska Natives Foundation supports Imagination Library
For the second year running, newborns at the Alaska Native Medical Center can be enrolled in Imagination Library before they and their moms even leave the hospital. That’s thanks to Healthy Alaska Natives Foundation (HANF) renewing their contribution and making this possible. Read more.

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