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## Press Release

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### **Ethel Montgomery Scholarship Application Available For Museum Studies**

JUNEAU – The Friends of the Alaska State Library, Archives & Museum have announced the availability of the Ethel Montgomery Scholarship application. Applicants for the \$2,000 scholarship must be enrolled in an Alaskan federally-recognized tribe and pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree in museum studies.

The Ethel Montgomery Scholarship Fund was established in the 1990s to assist university-level Alaska Native students majoring in museum studies. Ethel Montgomery was one of the first docents at the Alaska State Museum. She was adopted into the Kaagwaantan Wolf Clan and became a very active member of the Alaska Native Sisterhood. One of her dreams was to help young Alaska Natives become curators and directors of museums that celebrate their cultures. The combination of her love for museums and for the Native people, contributed to her establishment of this scholarship.

Applications may be obtained by emailing Jackie Schoppert, Chair, Ethel Montgomery Scholarship Committee at [kaageesaak@aol.com](mailto:kaageesaak@aol.com) (907-321-5652) or Marjorie Menzi, [marjoriemenzi@msn.com](mailto:marjoriemenzi@msn.com) (907-723-9156). Applications must be completed and mailed by August 31, 2015.

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