Friday Bulletin

News from the Alaska State Libraries, Archives & Museums

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The Alaska State Museum has awarded 20 grants totaling $105,600 to museums and cultural centers. The grantees are:

Applicant	Project	Amount funded
Alaska Jewish Museum, Anchorage	Collections Management	$6,366
Alutiiq Museum, Kodiak	Interactive Exhibit	$8,876
Clausen Memorial Museum, Petersburg	Collections Management	$5,700
Cordova Historical Society, Cordova	Exhibit Graphics	$8,700

Eagle Historical Society, Eagle	Exhibit Floor mats	$2,000
Friends Tanana Valley RR Museum, Fairbanks	Assessment of RR Car	$2,000
Hammer Museum, Haines	UV Window Shades	$1,147
Hope Sunrise Historical Society, Hope	Archival Supplies	$1,181
Ketchikan Museums, Ketchikan	Exhibit Lighting Project	$4,936
Kodiak Hist Society, Kodiak	Exhibit Graphics	$9,000
Last Chance Mining Museum, Juneau	Mining Map Preservation	$10,000
Museum of AK Trans. and Industry, Wasilla	Cataloging Project	$4,100
Museum of the Aleutians, Unalaska	Collections Management	$1,972
Museums Alaska, Juneau	Professional Development	$5,843
Palmer/Dorothy Page, Palmer/Wasilla	Exhibit Design Project	$8,840
Pioneer Air Museum, Fairbanks	Cataloging Project	$4,100
Sheldon Museum, Haines	Exhibit Production	$5,995
Sitka Historical Society, Sitka	Multi-Media Exhibit	$9,223
Talkeetna Historical Society, Talkeetna	Collections Management	$1,521
Valdez Museum, Valdez	Cataloging Project	$4,100

Carey, Cole and Stuebner awarded ASHRAB Certificates of Excellence

On Sept. 21, 2016 the Alaska State Historical Records Advisory Board's (ASHRAB) awarded journalists **Michael Carey** and **Dermot Cole** and film-maker **Damon Stuebner** Certificates of Excellence for their work in using historical records to educate.

Carey worked as an editorial writer, columnist, and then page editor for the *Anchorage Daily News* for 26 years. He has continued writing after his retirement, including for *Alaska Dispatch*. He regularly writes about family and interesting individuals around Fairbanks, showcasing historical biographies of Alaskans. His *Alaska Dispatch* article "Past comes back to life, box by box by box" (June 14, 2016) showcases the meaningfulness of historical records to individuals and families.

Cole, a reporter, columnist, and editor for the *Fairbanks Daily News-Miner*, and now regular writer for *Alaska Dispatch News* has been a prolific writer over his career. The author of four books that used historical records, Cole has often been encountered at the UAF Rasmuson Library Alaska & Polar Regions Collections department studying historical records where he's known as a regular. Cole's writings demonstrate how historical records provide new details and perspectives, which help Alaskans better understand Alaska. His recent *Alaska Dispatch* article "When the dogs beat the plane—and saved Nome" (March 1, 2016) recontextualizes the history of the Iditarod.

Stuebner, who works as a Library Assistant at the Alaska State Library, spent eight years of his private time working to develop a 100-minute documentary film that chronicles the history of the Coast Guard ice breaker *Storis*. His film *Storis: The Galloping Ghost of the Alaskan Coast* makes use of historical records to document the ship's history, including its service in Alaska during World War II, the Good Friday Earthquake of 1964, the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill, and labors to rescue countless Alaskans at sea. Stuebner's work details the *Storis*' decades of service to Alaskans.

The ASHRAB, coordinated by the State Archivist, is a nine-member Governor-appointed board. The ASHRAB believes that the collection and preservation of historical records—Alaska's priceless

legacy—are fundamental to understanding our past and guiding our future. This was the ASHRAB's sixth year recognizing excellence from among multiple worthy nominations.

LAST WEEK: Statewide Trial on Sesame Street Ebooks

The Alaska Library Network (ALN) has arranged for a two week trial subscription from September 30 to October 13 to try ebooks from Sesame Street. We encourage you to read some of the books, then to respond to the survey on whether there should be a $12,450 statewide subscription to this service. Your input would be greatly appreciated!

- Go to: http://ebooks.sesamestreet.org/login
- Username: aln@sesame.org
- Password: sesameebooks

Please let us know what you think about this by taking this brief survey:
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PZMJTD6

NEWS FROM L.A.M.S IN ALASKA

Your News Here!

The Friday Bulletin is always looking for news from Alaska's libraries, archives and museums. If you have had a successful program, a fun local resource or other news, we'd love to hear from you!

You may send potential Friday Bulletin items either to Patience Frederiksen at patience.frederiksen@alaska.gov or to Daniel Cornwall at daniel.cornwall@alaska.gov.

Libraries are also encouraged to send material to the Alaska Library Association's Newspoke. See their guidelines at https://akla.org/newspoke/guideline/ .

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCAM ALERT: Fake National Endowment of the Arts Grants

An important note from the National Endowment of the Arts (NEA):

> The National Endowment for the Arts, a federal grantmaking agency, is the subject of a scam and is alerting the public not to respond to fraudulent notifications. Through this scam, perpetrators claiming to be NEA employees are contacting the public via Facebook, email, or phone to inform them that they have received an NEA grant and must provide seed money to an account to release the grant funds. Furthermore, the perpetrators state that the amount released by the targeted individual increases depending on the amount that the individual puts forward. They might frame the requested money as a processing or delivery fee.

Please do not respond to these messages. It is an attempt to defraud you. The NEA never notifies individuals or organizations that are recommended for a grant through Facebook and never requests money before releasing grant funds.

If you are contacted by someone purporting to be with the National Endowment for the Arts who asks you to send money in order to receive a grant, please report this incident to the NEA's Office of Inspector General via email at oig@arts.gov or by calling 202-682-5402. You may also report it to the Federal Trade Commission at https://www.ftccomplaintassistant.gov, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation at http://www.ic3.gov.

Please protect yourself against this fraudulent activity.

Hat tip to Scott Carrlee for this item.

October is Cyber Security Awareness Month

In declaring October Cyber Security Awareness Month, Governor Walker encouraged Alaskans to use the Stop. Think. Connect. Campaign to improve cybersecurity practices in their homes, schools, and workplaces.

- Governor's Proclamation: https://gov.alaska.gov/newsroom/2016/09/cyber-security-awareness-month/
- Stop. Think. Connect. Campaign: See http://www.stopthinkconnect.org

The following resources from the nonprofit Connect Safely organization may be useful, as well:

- An Educator's Guide to Social Media: http://www.connectsafely.org/wp-content/uploads/eduguide.pdf
- A Parent's Guide to Snapchat: http://www.connectsafely.org/wp-content/uploads/A-Parent's-Guide-to-Snapchat.pdf
- A Parent's Guide to Cyber Security: http://www.connectsafely.org/wp-content/uploads/securityguide.pdf
- A Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying: http://www.connectsafely.org/wp-content/uploads/cyberbullying_guide.pdf

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