

Award Recipients—2012

The Wyoming State Historical Society honored several individuals and organizations at the society's 59th annual meeting held recently in Saratoga/Encampment. The Society's prestigious awards program recognizes individuals and organizations from all across the state (and beyond) whose work honors and preserves Wyoming's legacy. The nominations were submitted by members of the Wyoming State Historical Society and its various chapters. The editor regrets that due to space limitations the judge's comments had to be edited. The full version can be viewed online at www.wyshs.org or a hard copy can be requested by calling 322-3014.

Publications Awards—Books—Fiction

Nominated by the Sweetwater County Chapter

Alethea Williams for *Willow Vale*

Publications Awards—Books—Non-fiction

Nominated by Park County Chapter

Warren Murphy for *On Sacred Ground: A Religious and Spiritual History of Wyoming*
AND

Nominated by the Fremont County Chapter

Sara Wiles for *Arapaho Journeys Photographs & Stories from the Wind River Reservation*

Honorable Mention:

Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter

Sam Western for *Solace in Numbers: The Biography of Edward A. Whitney* and *The History of Whitney Benefits* (two volumes)

Honorable Mention:

Nominated by the Park County Chapter

Paul Fees for *Victor Alexander and the Saddle: Art, Craft, and Business*

Honorable Mention:

Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter

Judy Slack, Bozeman Trail Museum, and Big Horn City Historical Society for *Images of America: Big Horn City*

Honorable Mention:

Nominated by Marilyn Schultz, WSHS Member

Lynn Johnson Houze for *Cody: Then & Now*

Honorable Mention:

Nominated by the Sweetwater County Chapter

Frank Prevedel and the Sweetwater County Museum for *Images of America: Superior and South Superior*

Publications Awards—Books—Autobiography or Biography

Nominated by the Park County Chapter

Donald Loren Hardy for *Shooting from the Lip: The Life of Senator Al Simpson*

Publications Awards—Books—Self-published

Nominated by Jeremy Johnston, WSHS Member

Beryl Churchill for *Wilderness Heritage: The Borner-Hale Connection*

Publications Awards—Books—Reference

Nominated by the Natrona County Chapter

Rebecca A. Hunt, PhD for *Natrona County: People, Place, and Time*

Honorable Mention:

Nominated by Judy Wolf and Mary Hopkins, WSHS Members

Dr. Michael Cassity for *Wyoming Will Be Your New Home...and A Guide to the Evaluation of Wyoming's Ranching, Farming and Homesteading Historic Resources and Resource Management Issues and Opportunities...* (Three part publication)

Publications Awards—Poetry

Nominated by the Crook County Chapter and the Platte County Chapter

Patricia Frolander for *Married Into It*

Publications Awards— Newsletters

Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter

Nathan Doerr, Editor for *The Log: The Official Newsletter of the Sheridan County Historical Society*

Publications Awards—Pamphlets

Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter

Nathan Doerr and Helen Laumann for *Twenty Years of Timbermen; The Story of the Tongue River Tie Flume*

Honorable Mention:

Nominated by the Albany County Chapter

Albany County Historic Preservation Board

Lead Author: Larry Ostresh; Railroad Historian: Jerry Hansen; Funding Director: Amy Williamson Hansen; and the Laramie Railroad Depot Association for *Railroads of Albany County Tracking the Past*

Publications Awards— Brochures

Nominated by Weston County Chapter

News Letter Journal for *Western Heritage Summer Guide*

Publications Awards—Calendars

Nominated by the Star Valley County Chapter

Star Valley Historical Society and Judy Erickson for *2012 Calendar of Star Valley History*

Publications Awards—Magazines and Newspapers

Nominated by the Campbell County Chapter

Gillette News Record, Ann Kennedy-Turner for *Historic Campbell County Ranches*

AND

Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter

Wyoming Wildlife, Chris Madson, Editor for *Wyoming Wildlife*

AND

Nominated by the Weston County Chapter

Bob Bonnar, News Letter Journal for *The Old Mill Is in Mothballs and Old Mill Coming Down and Mill Played an Important Role in County's History*

AND

Nominated by the Carbon County Chapter

Linda Fleming for *Echoes from the Past* series in each issue of the Snake River Press

Audio-Video Documentary Awards - Professional

Nominated by the Platte County Chapter

Tyler Productions for *Above Yellowstone*

Audio-Video Documentary Awards - Non-Professional

Nominated by the Campbell County Chapter

Mary Kelley for *Monkey Business: Roy Montgomery Story*

Honorable Mention:

Nominated by the Crook County Chapter

Rocky Courchaine for *Old Stoney - Reclaiming the Vision*

Fine Arts Award

Nominated by the Park County Chapter

Kris Eitzen for her Ledger Art Companion Pieces, *On Their Heels* and *One Step Ahead*

AND

Nominated by the Star Valley Chapter

Allene W. Heiner for her historic musical play, *It's Time to Draw the Line*

Honorable Mention:

Nominated by the Weston County Chapter

John Dumbrill for his Pencil Drawing, *Spencer Homestead House*

Young Historian Awards - Grades 3-5

Nominated by the Lincoln County Chapter

1st Place – Colter John Burnski for *Lincoln County Courthouse*

Nominated by the Lincoln County Chapter

2nd Place – Colter Julian for *The Life of Truman Julian*

Nominated by the Lincoln County Chapter

3rd Place – Benjamin Wergin for *History of Ice Harvesting*

Young Historian Awards - Grades 6-8

Nominated by Deborah LaChance and Sandy Hartsy, members of the WSHS

1st Place – James Bisiar, Casper, for *Favorite Wyoming Home Grown Athletes / Home Grown Athletes - Wyoming Scoreboard*

2nd Place - Doug Williams, Garrhett Williams, and Rourke McPeters for *Wyoming Football Without African Americans: Black 14*

Nominated by the Weston County Chapter

3rd Place - Maura Nistler for *Don't Fence Me In: A Reaction to Heart Mountain Through Sketch*

Young Historian Awards - Grades 9-12

Nominated by the Weston County Chapter

1st Place - Branden Hawley for *Salt in the Hills*

Nominated by the Weston County Chapter

2nd Place – Alex Rettinghouse for *Wrestling History*

Nominated by the Weston County Chapter

3rd Place – Sean Petersen for *No Place Like Home*

Junior Activities Awards - Grades 3-5

Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter

1st Place – Sheridan County Museum 2011 Summer Classroom Program for Young Archaeologists Investigate Plains Indian Shelters, Nathan Doerr, Director

Nominated by the Weston County Chapter

2nd Place – Fourth Grade Classrooms of Laura

Giesler, Stacey Jones, Myron Hoffman and for Newcastle Elementary School Wyoming History Project

Junior Educational Activities Awards - Grades 6-8

Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter

1st Place-Sharie Prout for Trail End Historic Site's Hands-On History

Junior Activities Awards - Grades 9-12

Nominated by the Fort Bridger Chapter

1st Place - Brandon Jaggi, Eagle Scout project: Fort Bridger Military Reservation Markers

Nominated by the Star Valley Chapter

2nd Place – Ian Anderson, Eagle Scout project: Crow Creek Freight Road Markings

Activities Awards - Well-Planned, Well-Conducted Tour or Tours to an Historic Site

Nominated by the Natrona County Chapter

Wyoming Chapter of Oregon/California Trails Association for the Oregon/California Trails Association National Convention held in Rock Springs, WY, August 2011

Honorable Mention

Nominated by the Star Valley Chapter

Ron Anderson and Lane Allred for Centennial Tour of the Historic Crow Creek Freight Road

Activities Awards - Outstanding Educational Project

Nominated by Laramie County Chapter

Michael J. Krampner for *The Lost Jews of Huntley, Wyoming*

Honorable Mention

Nominated by the Platte County Chapter

Platte County Centennial Committee for the Platte County Centennial Celebration

Honorable Mention

Nominated by the Campbell County Chapter

Campbell County Historical Society for their Campbell County Centennial Events

Activities Awards – Family History Project

Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter

Leon Washut and Karen Ballek Morse, PhD for *The Waszuts of Fibaczka*

Activities Awards – Historic Restoration or Interpretation of Local Historic Sites

Nominated by the Platte County Chapter

Pat Mitchell and Donita Graves for the Wheatland Cemetery Gateway Project

Chapter Awards

Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter

1st Place – Sheridan County Chapter for *Crazy Horse, Crook and the Battle on Rosebud Creek exhibit companion booklet*

Nominated by the Weston County Chapter

2nd Place, Weston County Chapter for *Preservation Effort to restore and preserve an historic cabin at Mallo Camp north of Newcastle*

The Clara M. and Henry E. Jensen Outstanding Wyoming Teacher Award

Nominated by the Natrona County Chapter

Guy Sallade, *Woods Learning Center, Casper*

Mabel Brown Cumulative Contribution Award

Nominated by the Park County Chapter

Dick Wilder, *Cody*

Judge and Mrs. Percy W. Metz Memorial Award

Nominated by the Weston County Chapter

Alice Schuette for *Archiving and preservation of the photographs used in Weston County, Wyoming - The First 100 Years*

Outstanding Preservation Project Award

The recipient of the 2012 Outstanding Preservation Project Award was awarded to the Jim Gatchell Memorial Museum of Buffalo, Wyoming. The Outstanding Preservation Project Award recognizes outstanding preservation in the areas of non-building, non-site preservation. The undertaking to preserve and repair this wolf hide, and its story has been and now will continue to be a centerpiece in the Gatchell Museum collection for many years. Displayed in a specially built case to ensure its future conservation, it will be the highlight for many visits to the museum.

Maurine Carley Memorial Award

The recipient of the Maurine Carley Historic Preservation Award for 2012 has been awarded to the Walters Family for the restoration of the S. E. Ferree Home in Encampment, Wyoming. This property involves a home built in Encampment during the boom year of 1903. The Walters family undertook the significant task of restoring it to its former early 20th Century grandeur. During the work on the home, many small treasures were uncovered including small toy cars and soldiers. The Walters left small treasures for future owners to uncover if the walls are opened again. Items left included current newspapers and coin money of various denominations.