Publications Awards—Books—Fiction
No Nominations

Publications Awards—Books—Non-fiction
Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter
Sam Morton for The Land of the Horse: The Art and Photography of Absaraka
Sam’s latest book spans two hundred years of history in one area of the American West, Absaraka, was once proposed to be the 49th state of the union in the late 1930s. A perfect companion to Sam’s first book, Where the Rivers Run North, this book tells the same story in images. From petroglyphs and pictographs made by Native Americans to elaborately painted landscapes, to a photo snapped in time, the images in this book are both enduring and private. These are images of an amazing history between man and horse.
CONTACT:
Sam Morton, 330 Hwy. 335, Sheridan, WY 82801, (307)672-7922
Sheridan County Historical Society – Judy Musgrave

AND

Nominated by the Fremont County Chapter
Joe Hutto for The Light in High Places
In this book, Joe combines his training as a cultural and physical anthropologist with at least a decade of field experience in wildlife research to bring the reader a fascinating history of people, places, and events in Fremont County, Wyoming. Many elders are gone, leaving fewer people with first-hand accounts of historical events; culture and customs are transforming; true wilderness is becoming a thing of the past. A bighorn sheep study, alpine ecology, archeology, and human history are presented in a straight forward yet picturesque writing that captures the reader’s attention.
CONTACT:
Joe Hutto, 97 Deadman Gulch Rd., Lander, WY 82520, (307)332-0209
Fremont County Historical Society – Mary Ann Jones

Honorable Mention:
Nominated by the Park County Chapter
Jeremy Johnston for Images of America: Powell
Jeremy’s book about Powell is his way of celebrating the centennial of his home town. His extensive research and careful choice of photographs brings Powell’s past inhabitants, places, and events to life. The author is well qualified to write this history as he was born and raised in Powell, and his family has been there for several generations.
CONTACT:
Jeremy Johnston, 300 W. Bald Ridge Dr., Powell, WY 82435, (307)754-9689
Park County Historical Society – Lynn Houze & Marylin Schultz
Honorable Mention:
Nominated by the Sweetwater County Chapter
Cyndi McCullers for Images of America: Sweetwater County
Everyday people, historic buildings, and broad vistas are featured in this photographic history of Sweetwater County which contains hundreds of photos from public and private collections. Stories and images of the railroad, emigrant trails, coal mining, the trona industry, ranching, and oil and gas development are woven together in this, the story of Wyoming’s largest county.
CONTACT:
Cyndi McCullers, Sweetwater County Historical Museum, 3 E. Flaming Gorge Way, Green River, WY 82935, (307)872-6435 mccullersc@sweet.wy.us
Sweetwater County Historical Society – Ruth Lauritzen-Ruess

Honorable Mention:
Nominated by the Platte County Chapter
Starley Talbott for Images of America: Platte County
Platte County includes photographs of Wheatland, Glendo, Hartville, Guernsey, and Chugwater. The book covers not only the history of these towns, but also the vanished ones along with the rural areas of Platte County. Highlights include the ranch where Steamboat, the bucking horse, was born; the world famous Swan Land and Cattle Company; and shows the oldest bar and soda fountain in the state.
CONTACT:
Starley Talbott, 1100 Slater Rd., Chugwater, WY 82210, (307)422-3305 starwy@yahoo.com
Platte County Historical Society – Linda Fabian

Publications Awards—Books—Autobiography or Biography
Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter
Gary Temple & William Ward for Gollings: More of the Story
Through their first book about Bill Gollings, Elling William “Bill” Gollings, A Cowboy Artist published in 2007 and this book as a catalogue raisonne, the work history of Bill Gollings is vividly defined from his arrival on the Powder River in 1896 through his era in Sheridan, Wyoming, where he died at the age of 54 in 1932. In the words of former governor, Mike Sullivan, “In this second book they have put additional flesh on the bones of Gollings’ life as a cowboy artist in Wyoming and Montana. But even more, we can be grateful that this remarkable talented artist chronicled the cowboy life and the western landscape not as he imagined it, but as he lived it…”
CONTACT:
Gary Temple, 118 N. 29th St., Billings, MT 59101, (406)294-8575 www.meadowlarkgallery.com
William Ward, Box 626, Saratoga, WY 82331, (307)326-5844 www.gollingsart.com
Sheridan County Historical Society – Judy Musgrave
Publications Awards—Books—Self-published
Nominated by the Park County Chapter
**Dick Crysdale for Yellowstone, Cutthroats, And Me: A Fishing Guide’s Autobiography**
Dick has written an autobiograhy of his experiences in Yellowstone National Park in the 1950s and 1960s. He worked first as a fishing guide in Yellowstone and then as a seasonal Park Ranger. In Dick’s words, “This is my story of a love affair with our country’s crown jewel of national parks – Yellowstone.” His story revolves around the cutthroat trout – how they affected his life, career, family, and the Yellowstone ecosystem and far beyond the park’s boundaries.
CONTACT:
Dick Crysdale, 4268 W. Lake Circle N, Littleton, CO 80123, (303)795-9148
Park County Historical Society – Lynn Houze and Marylin Schultz

Honorable Mention:
Nominated by Linda Fabian
**Vaughn Stephen Cronin for Casper**
A third generation Casper native, Vaughn used his vast knowledge and love of history as a catalyst for publishing this book. It is a comprehensive and personal look back at the town’s colorful history. Vaughn says he has been collecting memories of Casper for as long as he can remember and that preserving our history with pictures and writings is critical to chronicling our disappearing past. The book contains many photographs, some historical and some contemporary, and the chapters discuss pre-Casper, people, places, buildings, lifestyles and much more.
CONTACT:
Vaughn Stephen Cronin, P.O. Box 4181, Casper, WY 82604

Publications Awards—Books—Single Chapter in a Book
No Nominations

Publications Awards—Books—Reference
No Nominations

Publications Awards—Poetry
No Award Given

Publications Awards—Pamphlets
Nominated by the Weston County Chapter
**Weston County Historic Society for Barns of Weston County**
The Weston County Historical Society hosted a tour of Weston County barns on October 3, 2009. They visited 5 barns, studied the construction and utility of the barns, and learned the history of the people who worked on the farms or ranches where the
barns were situated. Part of the tour included a 16-page pamphlet that discussed barn construction and preservation in general and detailed some of the history of each of the barns and their families.

CONTACT:
Weston County Historical Society, P.O. Box 246, Newcastle, WY 82701
Weston County Historical Society – Clara Varner

Publications Awards— Brochures
Nominated by Natrona County Chapter
Edna Kennell & Robin Broumley for Historic Names Along the Trails – Reproductions on the Wall

Often visitors to the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper ask about the pioneer names reproduced on the sandstone wall in the entry. Together Edna and Robin designed the eye-appealing and historically correct brochure. The signatures at the Trails Center are laser-copied replicas of names etched by emigrants into rock faces at Independence Rock, Register Cliff, Green River Hill, Names Hill, and other sites. Their goal to create a souvenir, not just a look-at-and-toss handout, is accomplished. The brochure is available free of charge at the Trails Center.

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Edna Kennell, 1661 Nottingham Dr., Casper, WY 82609, (307)266-3107
Robin Broumley, 291 Indian Paintbrush #6, Casper, WY 82604, (307)473-9087
Natrona County Historical Society – Pinkie & Jackie Ellis

Publications Awards— Calendars
Nominated by the Lincoln County Chapter
Judy Julian & Fossil Country Museum for That’s Entertainment

This calendar, at the title suggests, features photos showing various forms of entertainment from 1909-1950 enjoyed by the adults and children in Kemmerer. As always, the photos are available for reproduction to interested patrons.

CONTACT:
Judy Julian, Fossil Country Museum, P.O. Box 854, Kemmerer, WY 83101, (307)877-6551
Lincoln County Historical Society – Sharon Lee Luthy

Publications Awards— Magazines and Newspapers
Nominated by the Park County Chapter
Rex Myers for The Cody Route to Yellowstone published in the Autumn 2009 Annals of Wyoming

This article is a wonderful history of how the Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy Railroad’s branch line between Toluca, Montana, and Cody, Wyoming, came into being. Rex recounts the early development of the Big Horn Basin, the decision to build the line, the surveying of the route by Edward Gillette, and William F. “Buffalo Bill” Cody’s roll in the entire matter.
Honorable Mention:
Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter
**Gary Temple for *Perspective: Elling William Gollings (1878-1932)* published in the Summer – Fall 2009 *Western Arts & Architecture*  
Gary’s article about western artist Bill Gollings came about after he and co-author William Ward published their second large volume about Gollings and his works. Gary effectively capsulizes Gollings’ life in the article illustrating it with numerous examples of Gollings’ work.**

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Gary Temple, 118 N. 29th St., Billings, MT 59101, (406)294-8575  
[www.meadowlarkgallery.com](http://www.meadowlarkgallery.com)  
Sheridan County Historical Society – Judy Musgrave

**Internet Website Awards**  
Nominated by Star Valley Historical Society
**Ed Lisota for *Lincoln County Wyoming* [www.lincolncountywy.org](http://www.lincolncountywy.org)**  
Ed has worked hard to include historical data from Cokeville and Kemmerer on the website. He and his wife took the pictures of the headstones in Star Valley cemeteries and also took the pictures of the artifacts at the museum in Afton.  

CONTACT:  
Ed Lisota, P.O. Box 91, Afton, WY 83110, (307)885-9452  
Star Valley Historical Society – Gae Perkes

**Audio-Video Documentary Awards - Professional**  
Nominated by the Carbon County Chapter
**Cloud Peak Productions, LLC for *Wyoming’s Atlantic Rim Historic Trails***  
This documentary premiered on Wyoming PBS on June 2, 2009. The video highlights pioneer trails located in the region south of Rawlins from 1849 through 1932. The historic trails featured are the Cherokee Trail, Overland Trail, and Rawlins to Baggs Wagon Road.  
A year in the making, the documentary uses spectacular aerial photography of the high desert country, back country two-track exploration, in-depth interviews with scholars and local residents, historic journals, and archival photographs to bring this pivotal time in American history to life for viewers.  
Following the premiere television broadcast, the underwriters, Anadarko Petroleum Corp. and Warren Resources, distributed DVDs of the program to Wyoming schools for use in the teaching of U.S. and Wyoming history.
CONTACT:
Cloud Peak Productions, LLC, 100 Country Dr., Worland, WY 82401, (307)347-2847,
CloudPeakProductions@bresnan.net
Carbon County Historical Society – Linda Fleming

Honorable Mention:
Nominated by the Star Valley Chapter

Jermy Wight for Lander Trail and Lander Trail II

These two videos are used to introduce the exhibits at The Lander Trail Museum, which is housed in the “little barn” on the complex that was once the Wyoming State Experimental Farm in Afton.

CONTACT:
Jermy Wight, P.O. Box 4135, Bedford, WY 83112, (307)883-2174
Star Valley Historical Society – Gae Perkes

Audio-Video Documentary Awards - Non-Professional
Nominated by the Star Valley Chapter

Gordon & Margaret Tueller for Tabernacle Centennial – Star Valley, Wyoming

The Tuellers worked hard for several months to organize and present a marvelous program for the 100 year celebration of the dedication of the Afton Tabernacle.

CONTACT:
Gordon & Margaret Tueller, P.O. Box 575, Afton, WY 83110, (307)885-5523
Star Valley Historical Society – Gae Perkes

Fine Arts Award
Nominated by the Park County Chapter

Robert Pummill for his watercolor painting, Ashley’s Men in Wind River, 1823

William Henry Ashley, the leader of the expedition, was a fur trader, entrepreneur, and politician. In 1822, Ashley and his partner Andrew Henry advertised for men to “ascend the river Missouri to its source, there to be employed for one, two, or three years”. These 100 men were part of the Rocky Mountain Fur Company that came through Wind River on their way west. They spent the winter of 1824 at South Pass and are credited with the discovery of the pass. The watercolor measures 14” by 22”.

CONTACT:
Robert Pummill, 420 Highridge Dr., Kerrville, TX 78028, (830)896-5059
Park County Historical Society – Lynn Houze & Marylin Schultz

Nominated by the Park County Chapter

Jeff Rudolph for his bronze sculpture, William F. Cody - Visionary

Jeff Rudolph is a local Cody artist who has created numerous sculptures of historic significance. One of his favorite subjects is William F. “Buffalo Bill” Cody. This
bronze sculpture of Buffalo Bill on his horse commemorates the man who envisioned a
town near Yellowstone National Park, which would offer ranching, farming, hunting,
fishing, and proximity to the nation’s first national park. The artistic magnificence of
Buffalo Bill on his horse truly honors the man and the town, by extension.

CONTACT:
Jeff Rudolph, 110 Goodturn Dr., Cody, WY 82414, (307)587-3023
Park County Historical Society – Lynn Houze & Marylin Schultz

Nominated by the Campbell County Chapter
John Dumbrill for A Memory Map of Fernswood
This document by noted artist and poet, John Dumbrill, is a part of the hundred
year celebration of the Dumbrill (Spencer) Ranch in Crook County. It came about in the
context of the effort to place the entire ranch in a conservation trust to preserve it as a
whole for future generations of family and the community.
John has combined a work of art and history and has given his family a treasure
that will last another hundred years. John said, “The things on this map may not be
where they happened, but they’re where I remember them.”

CONTACT
John Dumbrill, c/o Doug Dumbrill, 3403 Hidden Valley, Gillette, WY 82718,
(307)682-3733
Campbell County Historical Society – Charlene Busk

Young Historian Awards - Grades 3-5
Nominated by the Natrona County Chapter
1st Place – James Bisiar, Casper, for I Wonder...Wyoming History Mystery
As an independent project James has developed a fantastic project in the form
of a mystery. Through a series of clever “exploding” boxes, James gives clues that
eventually lead to answering the history question that James wonders about.
Accompanying the boxes is an extensive notebook containing his research and a
“lunch box” full of edible Wyoming plants James collected.

CONTACT:
James Bisiar, 6270 Timberline Ct., Casper, WY 82604
Natrona County Historical Society – Sandy Hartsky and Debbie LaChance

Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter
2nd Place – Anna K. Zowada for Acme, Wyoming
Anna wrote a history of the Acme mines, which began in 1909. She mounted her essay
on poster board, illustrated it with old newspaper photos of the mine and town of Acme,
and developed appropriate captions. In addition, Anna created a model of the town to
go along with the poster. Her project is well-done and eye-catching.

CONTACT:
Anna K. Zowada, 45 Cox Valley Rd., Sheridan, WY 82801
Sheridan County Historical Society – Judy Musgrave
Nominated by the Lincoln County Chapter

**3rd Place – Taylor Brunski for Kemmerer Fire Department**

Taylor won first place for her essay at the Fossil Country Museum’s History Festival. She gathered information for her essay through several interviews with her grandpa, retired firefighter, Butch Brunski. In reading her essay, it is easy to sense Taylor’s pride and appreciation for the Kemmerer Volunteer Fire Department and her grandpa.

**CONTACT:**
Taylor Brunski, 1120 4th West Ave., Kemmerer, WY 83101
Lincoln County Historical Society – Sharon Lee Luthy

Nominated by the Lincoln County Chapter

**Honorable Mention – Carl Krell for The Pfaff Garage**

Carl’s essay won second place at the Fossil Country Museum’s History Festival. He interviewed his Great-Grandma Betty to find out how his Great-Grandpa Carl and great uncles came to America from Germany and ended up owning and operating the Pfaff Garage.

**CONTACT:**
Carl Krell, 2022 Ridgemont Pl., Kemmerer, WY 83101
Lincoln County Historical Society – Sharon Lee Luthy

**Young Historian Awards - Grades 6-8**

Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter

**1st Place, Davis Alden & Jared Ross for Aviation of Sheridan, Wyoming**

Davis and Jared developed this power point presentation as a 2010 History Day project. They chose the history of Sheridan’s airport and airmail. They conducted interviews with four different people including the son of the pilot who brought the first airmail into Sheridan and learned to search microfilm at the local library.

**CONTACT:**
Davis Alden, 1970 Summit Court, Sheridan, WY 82801
Jared Ross, 13 Hidden Hills Lane, Sheridan, WY 82801
Sheridan County Historical Society – Judy Musgrave

Nominated by Jonita Sommers

**2nd Place, Laura Noble for How the Innovation of Barbed Wire Impacted and Changed the American West**

Laura wrote this historical paper for the Wyoming History Day competition. This paper explains how the west was settled with cattle grazing the land. Laura goes into detail about how Joseph F. Glidden of Georgia experimented with and developed barbed wire made from his wife’s hairpins and two twisted pieces of wire strands. His invention was patented in 1874 and eventually mass produced.

**CONTACT:**
Young Historian Awards - Grades 9-12  
Nominated by the Weston County Chapter  
1st Place – Erica Wolf for *The Amazing Anna Miller*  
   Mrs. Anna Miller stands out in the history of Newcastle and the local museum bears her name. Anna had a profound effect on the culture of the area. This story is well-researched and organized. It brings Anna’s accomplishments to light for another generation of Weston County residents.  
CONTACT:  
Erica Wolf, 3505 Stirrup, Newcastle, WY 82701  
Weston County Historical Society – Clara Varner

Nominated by the Park County Chapter  
2nd Place, Skyler Gabel for *Ned Frost*  
   Skyler’s excellent essay is about Ned Frost who came to the Big Horn Basin in the mid-1880s as a young boy. Skyler tells how events in Frost’s early life led to his development as an outstanding hunter and guide, which in turn led him to be one of the leading outfitters in the northwest region of Wyoming.  
CONTACT:  
Skyler Gabel, 2126 22nd St., Cody, WY 82414  
Park County Historical Society – Lynn Houze & Marylin Schultz

Nominated by the Weston County Chapter  
3rd Place – Ian Cole for *Cambria Coal Mine Rush*  
   Ian’s essay gives the reader an overview of the start and end of the Cambria Coal Town north of Newcastle. He also included information about the dynamics of the life of those living in Cambria, which was a company town with no bars allowed. This seemed to put a real dent in fights and disagreements in the town.  
CONTACT:  
Ian Cole, 119 W. Main, Newcastle, WY 82701  
Weston County Historical Society – Clara Varner

Junior Activities Awards - Grades 3-5  
Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter  
1st Place – Deb Hofmeier for *Tongue River Elementary History Club*  
   During the summer of 2009, Tongue River Elementary expanded their summer school to include a week of history exploration. Their topic was the Tongue River Tie Flume, which was built in 1893 to bring ties down the Bighorn Mountains for the railroad.  
   Besides searching for and finding remnants of the flume, the students climbed around a splash dam, panned for gold at an abandoned gold mine, and spent the night in a teepee. This experience brought history alive for them. It was an experience they will never forget.
Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter

2nd Place – Nathan Doerr for Tidbit Tuesday

Tidbit Tuesday’s second season during the summer of 2009 was an unqualified success. The program is geared toward children aged 5 to 10 and offers an opportunity for the child and their parent(s) or older sibling(s) to listen to a story and then work together on a related fun project. Participation grew from 104 children in 2008 to 137 children in 2009.

CONTACT:
Nathan Doerr, Sheridan County Museum Curator of Museum Education, 850 Sibley Circle, Sheridan, WY 82801, (307)675-1150
education@SheridanCountyHistory.org
Sheridan County Historical Society – Judy Musgrave

Nominated by the Weston County Chapter

3rd Place – Mindy Blahnik for Welcome to Fourth Grade

Prior to the beginning of school, Ms. Blahnik mailed all of her incoming students Wyoming postcards welcoming them to fourth grade. Each of the cards reflected a bit of Wyoming history. The students were expected to bring the postcards to school on the first day. From the collection of postcards, a Wyoming bulletin board that detailing Wyoming history was constructed, and the board was used throughout the year as a reference source.

CONTACT:
Mindy Blahnik, Upton Elementary School, P.O. Box 762, Upton, WY 82730
Weston County Historical Society – Clara Varner

Junior Activities Awards - Grades 6-8
Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter

1st Place-David Peterson’s Sheridan Junior High School 8th grade Social Studies classes for their Women of Sheridan County Quilt Project

David Peterson’s 2009-10 Social Studies classes produced the fourth quilt in the Sheridan History series. All sections of Peterson’s classes participated and could work individually or in groups of 2 or 3. Each student or group was responsible for one quilt block, while each student was required to write an essay about how they chose and researched their historic woman and made their square, which featured a photograph of their subject.

CONTACT:
Activities Awards - Well-Planned, Well-Conducted Tour or Tours to an Historic Site
Nominated by the Platte County Chapter
Platte Valley Historical Society and Wheatland Kiwanis Club for Platte County Historic Ranch Tour

Beginning in 2008, the Platte County Historical Society and the Kiwanis Club of Wheatland, partnered to initiate and conduct an annual Platte County Historic Ranch Tour event. The object of this event was to provide an educational opportunity for anyone interested in visiting historical ranches in the area.

In 2009, the Grant Ranch and the ranches associated with the Diamond Ranch were hosts. Power point presentations, tours of the ranches and buildings, and oral histories were given at each site. Transportation, lunch and dinner were provided for the 75 participants.

CONTACT:
Linda Fabian, 44 Mountain Dr., Wheatland, WY 82201, linda@dancewyoming.com
Gail Thompson, 10 Mountain Dr., Wheatland, WY 82201
Platte County Historical Society – Linda Fabian

Activities Awards - Outstanding Educational Project
Nominated by the Star Valley Chapter
David Ruthardt and Lincoln County School District #2 for The Lander Trail Project – Curriculum Guidebook

The Lander Trail Foundation sponsored the development of the curriculum guidebook to give students a better understanding of the Lander Trail. It is available to any teacher interested in using it.

CONTACT:
Lander Trail Foundation, P.O. Box 4135, Bedford, WY 83112, (307)883-2174
Star Valley Historical Society – Gae Perkes

Honorable Mention
Nominated by the Platte County Chapter
PEO Chapters R & AW for Tour of Tables

Held every year since 2003, the Tour of Tables event features unique and unusual “tablescapes” that tell the history of a family and/or community through the use of heirloom china and accompanying appropriate items such as quilts, wedding dresses, family photographs and text.

Each year up to twenty-three large tables are decorated by individual PEO members or invited guests in honor of their great-grandmothers, aunts, mothers, and
friends. The salad luncheon is a fundraiser for the PEO’s scholarship program that benefits young women.

Contact:
Molly Wilhelm, 304 11th St., Wheatland, WY 82201, mwilhelm@wyoming.com
Platte County Historical Society – Linda Fabian

Activities Awards - Promotion of Museum Activities
No Nominations

Activities Awards - Promotion or Restoration of Local Historic Sites
No Nominations

Activities Awards – Interpretation of Local Historic Sites
Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter
Roy & Nancy Garber for An Afternoon in the Country: The J.O. Willits Stone House Tour

This event was a strong collaborative effort between Roy and Nancy and the Sheridan County Historical Society. The Garbers planned the tour, researched and wrote all of the interpretive signage, developed exhibits throughout the home, and conducted the tours of the interior of the house.

Roy and Nancy are the 4th generation of the family to occupy the 108 year old home, which was built by Roy’s great grandparents, J.O. and Hattie Willits. Their children were also raised in the house.

Sheridan County Historical Society members were available for the day to sell tickets, distribute information, serve refreshments on the porch, and give tours of the expansive yard.

Contact:
Roy & Nancy Garber, P.O. Box 386, Big Horn, WY 82833, (307)674-4245
Sheridan County Historical Society – Mary Ellen McWilliams

Annual Services Award
Nominated by the Albany County Chapter
Francois Dickman, Albany County Historical Society

Fran was nominated for his outstanding service to the local Albany County chapter during 2009, and his overall commitment to the Wyoming State Historical Society for over 20 years. Since 1990, Fran has served on the Albany County Board and been awards chairman. Throughout his service with the Society, he has put in significant efforts to recognize individuals in Albany County for their contributions to Wyoming history.

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Francois Dickman, 1407 Sheridan, Laramie, WY 82070, FMDDHD@aol.com
Albany County Historical Society – Laura Jackson
Nominated by Linda Fabian

**Lenny Noyce, Platte County Historical Society**

Lenny Noyce of Noyce’s Friendly Shop is recognized for his outstanding volunteer service to the Wyoming State Historical Society. Noyce’s Friendly Shop prints Wyoming History News. Lenny takes it upon himself to proof WHN before they print it, fold it, seal it, sort it, and deliver it to the post office. On his own time, Lenny undertakes the task of going to the zip plus four websites to bring the membership database up to USPS bulk mail standards.

Contact:
Lenny Noyce, Noyce’s Friendly Shop, 907 16th St., Wheatland, WY 82201, Lenny@noycessop.com

**Chapter Awards**

Nominated by the Weston County Chapter

**1st Place, Weston County Chapter for History of Oil Production in Weston County based on the records of Al Smith**

Two years ago, the Weston County Historical Society began collecting and transcribing previously recorded oral history tapes of Al Smith, Weston county oilman and founder of the famous Hand Dug Oil Well east of Newcastle. Smith also collected many artifacts of the general oil production industry itself. Some of the material is specific to Weston County and Wyoming, but some is from all over the United States.

Prior to the sale and relocation of some of the artifacts, the society photographed much of the equipment and is in the process of collating all of the material so as to produce a publication that will preserve the oil field history.

CONTACT:
Weston County Historical Society, P.O. Box 246, Newcastle, WY 82701
Weston County Chapter – Clara Varner

Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter

**2nd Place, Sheridan County Chapter for Slack School – Sheridan County’s Last One-Room Schoolhouse**

Slack School was constructed in 1893 and has continued to operate to this day. Because of funding changes, the 2010-2011 school year will be Slack School’s last. The last remaining one-room school in Sheridan County, it is one of the few left in the United States. Working with the current teacher and students, the many former students, the History Club of Tongue River Elementary, and community members, we will research and preserve the history of the school.

Using a multi-disciplinary approach, the project will incorporate current social studies standards to help the students compare and contrast past and present experiences in one-room schoolhouses and give them a place to share their memories and experiences.
CONTACT:
Sheridan County Historical Society, P.O. Box 73, Sheridan, WY 82801
Sheridan County Historical Society – Judy Musgrave

**The Clara M. and Henry E. Jensen Outstanding Wyoming Teacher Award**
Nominated by the Weston County Chapter

**Kara Sweet, Newcastle High School Teacher**

*Mrs. Sweet uses local history projects for an English class assignment. The students are asked to do original research to include a personal interview with at least one person knowledgeable about the chosen subject. A community exhibit night showcases the work done by the students. They present their papers at this event which gives them a moment of public speaking and opens their work to a larger audience in the community. Some of these projects bring to light stories that even the local historians have not heard.*

CONTACT:
Kara Sweet, 203 Third Ave., Newcastle, WY 82701
Weston County Historical Society – Clara Varner

**Mabel Brown Cumulative Contribution Award**
Nominated by the Carbon County Chapter

**Joan Lawrence, Carbon County Chapter**

Joan Lawrence has been an active member of the Carbon County Historical Society forever! She is the lady who has held the chapter together through the good and the more trying years. She has held every office in the county organization and has been active with the Wyoming State Historical Society serving on state committees for many years.

Joan is at the Carbon County Fair each August soliciting Carbon County Chapter memberships and selling WSHS calendars. She has organized treks for the county chapter and has worked hard to have interesting and knowledgeable speakers at the chapter meetings.

For years, Joan has been supporting of the local History Day winners, not only judging projects but also seeking funds for them to travel to the national competition.

Most important, for those who know Joan, her interest and support of the history of the state, county, and local areas has been a lifetime work. She has made a valuable contribution to the understanding and awareness of Wyoming and its history. She is still contributing.

CONTACT
Joan Lawrence, 1306 11th St., Rawlins, WY 82301, (307)324-3545
Carbon County Historical Society – Linda Fleming

**L. C. Bishop Award**
No Nominations

**Henryetta Berry Memorial Award**
No Nominations
Judge and Mrs. Percy W. Metz Memorial Award
No Nominations

The 2010 Historic Preservation Committee includes John Waggener (chair) of Laramie, Art Kidwell of Clark, Amy Lawrence of Laramie, Pam Thomson of Aladdin, and John Reynolds of Wheatland. The committee spent considerable time debating the projects again this year. The quantity and quality of projects nominated are a tribute to the many historic preservation projects occurring around the state.

Outstanding Preservation Project Award

The Outstanding Preservation Project award is awarded to an individual or an organization in recognition of an outstanding project in the field of historic preservation that does not focus on the preservation of a historic building or site.

Nominated by the Natrona County Chapter

The recipient of the 2010 Outstanding Preservation Project Award is Tim Ellis of the Ellis Sheep Company for his efforts to preserve and restore sheep wagons. The title of the nomination is Rescued Sheep Wagons. Tim now lives in Cheyenne, but the wagons are from the Ellis Ranch in Natrona County.

In recognition of this fine project, Tim will receive a plaque and a print of the Teton Range from the original oil painting done by noted Wyoming artist Conrad Schwiering. Tim has designated the Fort Caspar Museum Association as recipient of the $300 cash award.

CONTACT:
Tim Ellis, 10808 Arabian Lane, Cheyenne, WY 82009, (307)286-6800
Natrona County Historical Society – Mary E. Hein

Maurine Carley Memorial Award

The Maurine Carley Award is awarded to an individual or organization in recognition of an outstanding project in the field of historic preservation for buildings, trails, or sites. Maurine Carley was a long-time member of the WSHS, acted as treasurer for twenty years, wrote the guide, and led many of the society's summer treks. She was dedicated to the preservation of Wyoming history.

Nominated by the Fort Bridger Chapter

The recipient of the Maurine Carley Historic Preservation Award is the Fort Bridger Historical Association for their efforts to restore the Black and Orange Cabin Camp, a Lincoln Highway era motor court located adjacent to Fort Bridger.

In recognition of this worthy project, the Fort Bridger Historical Association has been awarded $300 to be used for future preservation work. The plaque is engraved to the Wyoming State Parks and Historic Sites.

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