

Contest for Writers of Poetry, Essays, and Short Stories

A contest for writers of poetry, essays and short stories on the theme, "Life in the North Country" and carrying cash prizes, will be a part of an Arctic Arts Festival planned in conjunction with the Arctic Winter Games in Anchorage March 3-10.

The literature departments of the University of Alaska, Anchorage and Alaska Methodist University are sponsoring the contest through a matching \$500 mini-grant from the Alaska State Council on the Arts.

The program will include several public readings of winning contest entries and a showing of films on the Northern experience, produced by the National Film Board of Canada and others.

The purpose of the arts festival, which will involve art exhibitions and other cultural programs, "is to enrich the cultural

life of the community and provide for closer ties uniting the peoples who send participants to the games by showing that the arts and the games are integral parts of the life of the region," said Dr. James Wilson, chairman of the literary arts program committee.

He is head of the Division of Humanities at UAA's Anchorage Senior College.

The universities are seeking contest entries from all areas of Alaska, the Northwest Territories, the Yukon Territory and Arctic Quebec, the area of participation in the Arctic games.

Contest entries for poetry, essays and short stories should be postmarked by Feb. 15, 1974 to be eligible and submitted to:

Dr. Clay Nunnally, University of Alaska, Anchorage
Anchorage Community College

2651 Providence Ave.
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First prize will carry a cash award of \$50; second prize, \$30; third prize, \$20. Judges will be Nunnally, Dr. Jack Frost, professor of English at AMU; and Charles Keim, professor of English and journalism at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks.