

Alaska Press Club Grooms for Awards

The annual awards program of the Alaska Press Club is underway. The program recognizes excellence in writing, broadcasting, photography, advertising and public relations.

Entries are being accepted and must be received by club officials no later than Monday, April 10.

Winners will be announced at the club's annual awards banquet, which will be held aboard the sternwheeler Nenana at the Alaska 67 exposition site. A-67 will host the banquet.

Entries in the awards contest must have been produced in the calendar year by persons residing in Alaska.

A fee of \$1 must accompany each item entered. An individual is limited to three entries in each category and may enter as many categories as he wishes.

Persons may enter works of other individuals, provided the author's permission accompanies the entry.

The contest has been divided into three main categories and a committee has been assigned to each. The categories and the address to entries should be mailed are:

Written—Newspaper, magazine, books, house organs: Farthest North Press Club, 909 Noble Street, Fairbanks.

Broadcasting, photography and films: Elaine Atwood, Box 40, Anchorage.

Advertising and public relations: Mrs. Thomas Redmond, 1322 N. Street, Anchorage.

Additional entry blanks or information may be obtained by contacting any Alaska Press Club member or by writing to the Farthest North Press Club.

Cost of Living Up in Alaska BLS Reveals

The Bureau of Labor Statistics released figures last week showing that living costs in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau and Ketchikan ranged from 18 to 32 per cent above the cost of a comparable living pattern in Seattle in the fall of 1966—a range narrower by 2 index points than that reported in 1965.

The cost of all items combined rose more in Juneau and Ketchikan than in Seattle, causing the differential in living costs to advance by 1 percentage point in each city.

In Juneau the rise was due chiefly to faster rising prices for housing, medical care and food away from home.

In Ketchikan the advance was due mainly to faster increasing prices for foods purchased for home consumption and higher costs for fuel and utilities.

In Anchorage the differential in living costs remained the same despite a sharp rise in the difference in apparel and upkeep costs. The

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BLM Appoints First Twelve-Member Board

The Bureau of Land Management has appointed the first twelve-member Alaska State Multiple Use Advisory Board on public land management.

The Board will bring together the varied experience and knowledge of its members to advise the BLM State Director on current problems and programs in administering public lands and resources.

Such boards have been very successful in other areas, the BLM reports. The first meeting of the Alaska Board is tentatively set for Anchorage on May 12.

The interest groups represented, and the members and alternate members of the Board, are:

Borough governments - Robert Vroman, Palmer, alt.

James D. Nordale, Juneau; economic development- Dr. Gene Erion, University of Alaska, alt. Dr. Richard A. Cooley, Juneau; forestry- John Schnable, Haines, alt. A. Earl Plourde, Anchorage; Grazing-Arthur J. Harris, Aleutians, alt. Charles W.

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