

Humanities Forum Announces Awards

At its fall meeting, the State Committee of the Alaska Humanities Forum made grant awards totalling \$42,393, seated three new members and elected officers for the coming year, according to Ellen Lang, Chairman of Committee.

The Forum allocated funds to seven new projects. Awards ranged from \$875 to \$10,000; Recipients included: University of Alaska, Anchorage, Southeastern Alaska Community Action Program, University of Alaska, Sitka, University of Alaska, Fairbanks,

Environment Alaska, Anchorage, Land Use Planning Commission, Anchorage, Institute of Social, Economic and Government Research, Fairbanks.

"Each of these projects is designed to involve academic humanists and the general public in discussions of public policy issues related to our State Theme, 'Land: Bridge to Community'." noted Lang. "The program is supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities in Washington, D. C." she added

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"and utilizes funds allocated for state based programs like ours."

Three new members, Mrs. Lois Vochoska of Kodiak, Mr. Frank Roth, a historian for Sheldon Jackson College, Sitka, and Mr. Daniel R. Kuehn, Superintendent of Mt. McKinley Park, Mt. McKinley, Alaska, were newly elected members who were seated on the State Committee.

In addition to its regular business, the State Committee also elected officers for the coming year. They include: Ellen Lang, Director of Sitka National Monument, Sitka, as Chairman, Ron Inouye of the Center for Northern Education Research, Fairbanks, as Vice-Chairman. Mrs. Mary Hale, Director of Arts Affiliates of Anchorage was elected Secretary.

The State Committee for the Forum was a recipient earlier in the year of a National Endowment for the Humanities grant in the amount of \$256,000 to be used for informal adult education programs in the humanities.

A total of seventeen programs have been funded thus far this year and \$144,799 has been awarded.