

Wyoming State Historical Society  
2003 Award Winners

**PUBLICATIONS AWARDS**

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**BOOKS – NON-FICTION**

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PETER H. HASSRICK, for  
Drawn to Yellowstone - Artists in America's First National Park.  
Nominated by the Park County Chapter.

**TIE**

TOM LINDMIER, for  
Drybone - A History of Fort Fetterman, Wyoming.  
Nominated by the Platte & Fremont County Chapters.

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Honorable Mention:  
ERNEST GRAFE and PAUL HORSTED, for  
Exploring with Custer - The 1874 Black Hills Expedition.  
Nominated by the Weston County Chapter.

**BOOKS – FICTION**

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SHIRLEY REES, for  
Hannah Stands Tall.  
Nominated by the Star Valley Chapter.

**BOOKS – BIOGRAPHY OR AUTOBIOGRAPHY**

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ERIC V. SORG, for  
Doctor, Lawyer, Indian Chief - The Life of White Beaver Powell, Buffalo Bill's Blood Brother.  
Nominated by the Albany County Chapter.

**CALENDAR**

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MARTHA CLINES, for  
"Calendar Of Star Valley History".  
Nominated by the Star Valley Chapter.

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Honorable Mention:  
FOSSIL COUNTRY FRONTIER MUSEUM, Kemmerer, for  
"Fossil Country Frontier Museum 2003 Historical Calendar - Transportation".  
Nominated by the Lincoln County Chapter.

**PAMPHLET**

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"Perino Ranch 46th Annual Horse Sale".  
Nominated by the Weston County Chapter.

## **BROCURE**

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"This is Eden Valley"  
published by the Eden Valley History Project.  
Nominated by the Sweetwater County Chapter.

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Honorable Mention:  
"Sweetwater County Historical Museum"  
prepared by Museum staff.  
Nominated by the Sweetwater County Chapter.

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Honorable Mention:  
"Welcome to Glendo, Wyoming"  
a publication of the Glendo Historical Museum.  
Nominated by the Platte County Chapter.

## **PERIODICALS/NEWSPAPERS**

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LORI VAN PELT for her article,  
"Discovering Her Strength: The Remarkable Transformation of Nellie Tayloe Ross,"  
published in the Winter, 2002 *Annals of Wyoming*.  
Nominated by the Carbon County Chapter.

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LARAMIE DAILY BOOMERANG, for its newspaper supplement,  
"History," published on March 28, 2003.  
Nominated by the Albany County Chapter.

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GREEN RIVER STAR, for its special newspaper supplement,  
"2003 Historical Edition - The History of Transportation and Mining in Sweetwater County."  
Nominated by the Sweetwater County Chapter.

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Honorable Mention:  
PHIL ROBERTS, for his article,  
"Inside Federal Prohibition Enforcement in Wyoming",  
published in the Summer, 2002 *Annals of Wyoming*.  
Nominated by the Albany County Chapter.

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Honorable Mention:  
CASPER STAR TRIBUNE, for its  
"A Look Back in Time",  
article series published April 8, April 22 and May 20, 2003.  
Nominated by the Natrona County Chapter.

## AUDIO-VISUAL DOCUMENTARY AWARDS

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### PROFESSIONAL

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ROBIN LYNN, producer, CASPER TV STATION KTWO, for her weekly historical features, "Days Gone By".  
Nominated by the Natrona County Chapter.

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KYLE NICHOLOFF, producer/director; GEOFFREY O'GARA, writer/assoc. producer; and JAMES TROSPER, assoc. producer for their Wyoming Public Television production, "Washakie, Last Chief of the Eastern Shoshone".  
Nominated by the Fremont County Chapter.

### NON-PROFESSIONAL

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BRIAN MADLAND, producer; BILL DUNCAN, writer for the Green River Historic Preservation Commission production, "Green River: Wyoming's Best Kept Secret."  
Nominated by the Sweetwater County Chapter.

## FINE ARTS AWARDS – Senior Categories

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### POETRY

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ROBERT RORIPAUGH, for his book of poetry, The Ranch - Wyoming Poetry.  
Nominated by the Albany County Chapter.

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Honorable Mention:  
CANDY JAMESON, for her poem, "My Soldier".  
Nominated by the Platte County Chapter.

### PAINTING

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BEVERLY LUCHSINGER, for her series of water color paintings of historical buildings in Platte County.  
Nominated by the Platte County Chapter.

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Honorable Mention:  
REID CHRISTIE, for his oil painting, "The Decoys - 1877".

Nominated by the Park County Chapter.

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Honorable Mention:  
ANTHONY GUZZO, for his pastel painting,  
"By the Riverton Rendezvous".  
Nominated by the Albany County Chapter.

## **SCULPTURE**

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L.D. EDGAR, for his sculpture,  
"A Trail Gone Cold".  
Nominated by the Park County Chapter.

## **OTHER FINE ARTS MEDIUM**

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LESTER SANTOS, for his handmade wooden furniture.  
Nominated by the Park County Chapter.

## **DRAMA**

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EDRE MAIER and WAYNE BAUMANN, for their performances as Annie Oakley and Buffalo Bill.  
Nominated by the Sheridan County Chapter.

## **MUSIC**

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There was no award given for 2003.

## **PHOTOGRAPHY**

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BLANCHE SANDERS, for her color photograph "Aspen Alley."  
Nominated by the Albany County Chapter.

## **SPECIAL AWARDS**

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### **CHAPTER AWARDS** for financial assistance for historical projects

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1st Place - \$750.00:  
SHERIDAN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY - for their efforts to establish a county-wide museum and for increasing their membership dramatically.

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2st Place - \$500.00:  
CROOK COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY - for their project of Custer soldiers burial site cleanup

and fence replacement.

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3rd Place - \$300.00:

WESTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY - for their production of a blanket to honor past and present Weston County schools.

## ACTIVITIES AWARDS

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### Special Historical Trek or Tour

(A group making a significant contribution to Wyoming history through a well-planned, well-conducted tour or tours to a historic site/sites in Wyoming)

THE EDEN VALLEY HISTORY PROJECT (EVHP), for their efforts to preserve Eden Valley history by collecting documents, photographs and oral histories, and to conduct field trips, public programs and educational projects.

Nominated by the Sweetwater County Chapter.

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### Educational Project

(Educational project which furthers the understanding and knowledge of local and state history)

KAREN FLUCKIGER, for her Holdaway Elementary School Background and History, 1891 - 2000.

Nominated by the Star Valley Chapter.

## WYOMING TEACHER AWARD Outstanding Teacher of the Year

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LARRY M. HODGSON, Linford Elementary School, Laramie. Mr. Hodgson has been an elementary teacher for some 15 years, and his 4th grade classes have regularly been nominated by the Albany County Chapter for Junior Activity Awards because of the imaginative projects under his direction in teaching Wyoming history. He received a National Science Teacher Award in 2000 and the Central Council PTA Community Service Award in 1998 and again in 1999 for his teaching excellence. For his love of teaching, the innovative projects that he has directed, and his ability to motivate and inspire students by combining Wyoming history with aspects of natural science, the committee has selected Mr. Hodgson for the Wyoming Teacher Award for 2003.

Nominated by the Albany County Chapter.

## ANNUAL SERVICES AWARDS to Members for Outstanding Service

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DR. MIKE JORDING, Newcastle, for producing and maintaining the Society's website, answering and directing inquiries to applicable Society chairperson, as well as to the State Archives and American Heritage Center. He also provided Society material to be included in the new Western Trails website. Mike also serves as the President of the Wyoming Historical Foundation.

Nominated by WSHS Awards Committee.

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ROLF ANDERSON, Aurora, Colorado, for development, production, and maintenance of the Society's website. His computer skills have been instrumental in the continual upgrades of information, as well as giving it the professional look that it presents today. All of his services on the Society's behalf are donated.

Nominated by WSHS Awards Committee.

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DICK WILDER, Cody, for his service to the Wyoming State Historical Society during his tenure as State Society president and treasurer.  
Nominated by WSHS Awards Committee.

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**CUMULATIVE CONTRIBUTION AWARD** for Lifetime Achievement

JUDY WEST, WSHS Membership Coordinator, for seventeen years of dedicated service to the membership, Executive Boards and Society presidents.  
Nominated by the Platte County Chapter and the WSHS Awards Committee.

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**MEMORIAL AWARDS**

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JANETTE CHAMBERS, for her Scrapbook of Wyoming Trail Information. She created this resource by collecting, researching, photographing and recording the history of Wyoming trails used by trappers, traders and later Oregon Trail immigrants. The book has been used extensively in the classroom, as a reference at the Glendo Historical Museum and its photographs have been used with a Western Trails Digitization project through the Platte County Library. She has been an active volunteer for the Glendo Historical Museum since 1968, served as president of the Platte County Centennial Chapter and several more years on the Executive Board.  
Nominated by the Platte County Chapter.

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ANNA MILLER MUSEUM, Newcastle, for its "Living History Days" program which for 16 years has hosted children, kindergarten through the fifth grade, from northeast Wyoming, western South Dakota, and other parts of Wyoming. An average of 350 children attend the annual event and experience pioneer activities. They churn butter, heat flat irons for ironing clothes, heat water and wash clothes, and learn about roping, riding, branding and ranch life. The participants also experience a wide variety of other activities which also give them a better understanding of the area's past.  
Nominated by the Weston County Chapter.

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JAMES VANSCOYK, for creation of a photo CD of Star Valley Historical Society photos. Combining his expertise and interest in preserving history, he copied historical area photos belonging to the Star Valley Historical Society creating a photo CD which can be purchased by the general public and is also used in conjunction with the chapter's fund raising efforts and membership drives. His project has provided the chapter a means of sharing its valuable resource with a much larger audience than was previously possible.  
Nominated by the Star Valley Chapter.

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WHEATLAND MERCANTILE, for their continuing efforts to restore and preserve the Wheatland Mercantile building originally built in the early 1900's.

Nominated by the Platte County Chapter.

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OUTSTANDING PRESERVATION PROJECT AWARD:  
THE MUSEUM OF THE AMERICAN WEST & THE COMMUNITY FIRST BANK OF LANDER, for displaying "Treasurers of the Pioneer Museum" and working together to establish a permanent museum.

Nominated by the Fremont County Chapter.

## YOUTH ART AWARDS

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### GRADES 4-6

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1st Place:

RYAN JONES, for his Indian Village diorama.

Nominated by the Weston County Chapter.

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2nd Place:

ALLIE RIEGEL, for her watercolor and colored pencil drawing of a Trumpeter Swan.

Nominated by the Albany County Chapter.

### GRADES 7-9

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1st Place:

JIMMY HOSTETLER, for the colored pencil drawing of a ram.

Nominated by the Albany County Chapter.

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2nd Place:

JOSH RAYMER, for his pen and ink drawing of a moose.

Nominated by the Albany County Chapter.

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3rd Place:

KYLE WHITE, for his water color of a hungry trout about to seize on a fisherman's fly.

Nominated by the Albany County Chapter.

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Honorable Mention:

HEATHER BIGGS, for her colored pencil drawing of an owl.

Nominated by the Albany County Chapter.

### GRADES 10-12

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1st Place:

TONI BATES, for her painting of horses.

Nominated by the Star Valley Chapter.

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2nd Place:

MICHELLE SARAUER, for her creative cover for the Upton Bobcats Annual utilizing a bobcat with the former Upton High School shown in his eye and the caption "One Last Look".

Nominated by the Weston County Chapter.

## YOUNG HISTORIAN AWARDS

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### GRADES 4-6

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1st Place - \$75.00:

SIERRA COLLINS, for her essay, "Nancy Peternal".

Nominated by the Lincoln County Chapter.

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2nd Place - \$50.00:

KAITLYN LIVINGSTON, for her essay and poster, "Life of Tom Horn".

Nominated by the Weston County Chapter.

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3rd Place - \$35.00:

JESSICA LEWIS, for her essay and poster, "Caroline Cameron Lockhart".

Nominated by the Weston County Chapter.

### GRADES 7-9

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1st Place - \$75.00:

NICK CAROLLO, for his essay, "Phillip Corless Steinhour".

Nominated by the Lincoln County Chapter.

### GRADES 10-12

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1st Place - \$75.00:

MAX RERUCHA, for his essay, "Cowpoke Militia".

Nominated by the Albany County Chapter.

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2nd Place - \$50.00:

JI LIU, for his essay, "Killing of Innocents: Rock Springs Massacre".

Nominated by the Albany County Chapter.

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3rd Place - \$35.00:

ELLIE JOHNSON, for her essay, "Richard 'Beaver Dick' Leigh".

Nominated by the Albany County Chapter.



## **JUNIOR ACTIVITIES AWARDS**

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### **Educational Activity Grades 4 - 6**

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(Educational activities which promote, with study and projects, the understanding and knowledge of local and/or state history)

1st Place:

FORT SANDERS PROJECT, for researching the historic site at the American Heritage Center, then preparing a scale model of the actual fort which was decommissioned in 1882. Done by the 4th grade class, Linford Elementary School, Laramie.  
Nominated by the Albany County Chapter.

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2nd Place:

LOU POLK, HISTORICAL MELODRAMA, done by the 4th grade class, Fairdale Elementary School, Casper.  
Nominated by the Natrona County Chapter.

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3rd Place:

AILEEN BUSTOS, for her History Quilt. 4th grade, Spring Creek Elementary School, Laramie.  
Nominated by the Albany County Chapter.