

OCTOBER 2010 NEWSLETTER

Meeting Tuesday October 19th

HistoryLink.org staff historians Alan Stein and Paula Becker will discuss the research process for their as-yet-untitled history of the Century 21 Exposition, the Seattle World's Fair of 1962, and compare it to their centennial book on the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition. The Century 21 book, due out in November 2011, will mark the 50th anniversary of the fair.

Paula Becker and Alan Stein co-wrote Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition: Washington's First World's Fair. Paula Becker's essays for HistoryLink.org recount the dance marathon craze of the 1920s and 1930s, knitting on the home front during World Wars I and II, and the career of *The Egg and I* author Betty MacDonald, among numerous other subjects. Paula contributed to the book *Knitting America*. Besides writing numerous essays for HistoryLink.org, Alan Stein has written books about the histories of Washington State Ferries, the city of Bellevue, and Seattle's Olympic Hotel. He is past president of the Association of King County Historical Organizations, and is "Ex Noble Humbug of Doc Maynard Chapter 54-40, E Clampus Vitus." He'll have to explain this!

Please Note! The meeting will begin at 6pm, not 5:30 as previously announced. The place, the Northeast Branch Library, is the same as last month. All monthly meetings for 2010-2011 will be held there. November's meeting will also be held at 6pm.

Call for Guild Conference Papers

The Guild is pleased to announce the appointment of Program Chairman Alex Morrow for our 2011 March Conference. Its theme will be "Pacific Waterways." The Pacific Northwest Historians Guild invites papers from members and non-members.

We are particularly excited about this year's subject. Waterborne issues will hopefully lead to a lively discussion about the environment, labor, economics, immigration, and social justice. And not to be forgotten, this year is the 100th anniversary of the Port of Seattle.

The full title will be "Pacific Waterways: Connecting Local, Regional, and Global Histories." It will be held at the Museum of History and Industry on March 5, 2011. We encourage the historical community to consider how linkages between water and land have shaped the Pacific Northwest, how native tribes formed vast economic and social networks inland, and how ports and technology developed or disfigured the region. To see a fuller account of possible topics please go to PNW Waterways. Or contact Alex for further information. Proposals need to be received by Nov. 15, 2010.

Announcements

NARA announces the National Archives Regional Residency Fellowship. This is a new program designed to give researchers the opportunity to conduct original research using records held at the National Archives in Seattle. He or she will receive a \$3,000.00 stipend to assist with travel and research expenses.

Stipend recipients will be expected to publish their work within one year and complete other tasks. Applications must be submitted by email or or postmarked by November 15, 2010. Contact the Regional Archives Fellowship Program at: seattle.archives@nara.gov

The Center for the Study of the Pacific Northwest is sponsoring a talk by **Andrew H. Fisher** who recently published *Shadow Tribe: The Making of Colombia River Indian Identity.* He will discuss the largely overlooked history of groups that refused to settle on reservations. His talk is at 4pm in the Petersen Room of the UW's Allen Library on Tuesday, Oct. 12.

MOHAI is inviting Historian Guild members to participate in "Open Forum: A Gathering of Stories" on Friday, November 12th. It's a lunch and afternoon event to hear personal stories from people in the Guild. MOHAI will send you a"Save the date" card and invitation. They're looking for personal stories that connect to the last fifty years of Seattle's history. Contact them for more information by email: debdonna@gmail.com or call deborah mangold at (206) 774-0151.

The UW will host a meeting of the Theodore Roosevelt Association on October 21 with a lecture featuring UW Associate Professor of History **Bruce Hevly**. He explores the values the 25 year old Roosevelt brought from the East to the West reflected in Roosevelt's shooting of a bear along with his views on city building and civic virtue. The meeting is in Kane Hall 220 on campus at 7pm. Admission is free.

Ed Diaz writes that the Association for African American Historical Research and Preservation (AAAHRP) is holding a one-day conference on Saturday, February 5, 2011 at the Northwest African American Museum (NAAM), 2300 South Massachusetts Street, Seattle. The organization is calling for papers on black history. Note please, that the deadline for submission is Oct. 15, 2010. If you plan on submitting a proposal, please inquire about what to send or if you aren't quite ready, please let Ed know at history3@comcast.net.

Member **Julie Weston's** book, *The Good Times Are All Gone Now: Life, Death and Rebirth in an Idaho Mining Town* received Honorable Mention from the Idaho Library Association's Book of the Year Award. Her book is a memoir of place, describing the Bunker Hill Mine and the town of Kellogg, Idaho over a period of 100 years.



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The ever interesting author pair from HistoryLink, Alan Stein and Paula Becker, will talk about their next book, the as-yet-untitled history of the Century 21 Exposition, the Seattle World's Fair of 1962.

Their most recent publication was the beautifully produced centennial book on the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition. Now Century 21 is nearing its 50th anniversary. Although the next book will not be out until November of next year, a preview of sorts is available this coming Tuesday.

You can also speak with Paula about her many articles in HistoryLink or ask Alan what-da-heck his honorific "Ex Noble Humbug of Doc Maynard Chapter 54-40, E Clampus Vitus" means. The meeting should be fun.

The time and place are Seattle Public Library's Northeast Branch at 6pm (not 5:30).

Proposal for March Conference

Alex Morrow will be available at Tuesday's meeting to speak with you individually about the Conference. Alex is Conference Chairperson and will begin selecting proposals after the November deadline. If you read the call for papers and have questions, Tuesday will be a good time to have them answered. Learn more at pacificwaterways.blogspot.com/

Events and Books

For those who like to hike, there is now Judy Bentley's history of Washington's trails. To find out more, or attend a speaking engagement, see www.judybentley.com, the author's website. Judy is our November speaker.

Our Annual Banquet speaker, Jack Nisbet, will be at the UW Bookstore in the University District at 7pm on November. This will be a reading and signing for his much admired book, *The Collector*, on the early naturalist David Douglas.