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HUMANITIES AWARDS GO TO MONTANA HISTORIANS

MISSOULA--

Historians David A. Walter of Helena and Anna Zellick of Lewistown have been chosen to receive a 1998 Governor's Humanities Award in recognition of their achievements in humanities scholarship and enhancement of public appreciation for the humanities.

Montana Gov. Marc Racicot will present the awards Friday, Nov. 6, at Rocky Mountain College in Billings. The presentation ceremony, sponsored by the Montana Committee for the Humanities, will begin at 8 p.m. in Losekamp Hall. A dessert reception will follow.

Walter is the research historian at the Montana Historical Society and is known to historians and researchers across the state as an unfailing resource for information about the state and its past. Audiences across the state know him as a lecturer in the MCH Speakers Bureau. Walter writes regularly for Montana Magazine and Montana: The Magazine of Western History. He also has written several books, most recently "Montana Campfire Tales: Fourteen Historical Narratives," published by Falcon Press.

Anna Zellick is not only a historian but also a cultural activist and civic leader. Her

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research has focused on Slavic immigrants and their contributions to Montana history and culture in Lewistown, Red Lodge and elsewhere. Listed among her civic activities is service on the 1970 Montana Citizens' Committee and the recent Lewistown City Review Commission. Zellick has written articles for Montana: The Magazine of Western Culture and other publications. Her previous awards include the Montana Historical Society's Trustees' Award and the University of Chicago's alumni award for public service.

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