



Historical/Archive Department Report

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I do not have much to report this month, as I took two weeks off on a vacation. I took one week for travel and one week on a cruise to Alaska with 19 family members.

During my time away, we continued to receive several inquiries from members and the general public to the Historical/Archive Department email forwarder.

While I was away, Paul Finnegan, Frank Brehm and Eugene Vicknair answered questions. There are some still open that need to be answered. As soon as we can, we will be looking for the requested materials and getting answers back to the requestors.

With so many of the archives not being cataloged or inventoried yet, we have had some difficulties in locating some of the requested materials. Each time I visit the museum (with the help of Paul Finnegan) we look for requested materials and supply the requested items to members and the public.

While not all the inquiries have been answered yet, we are still looking into pulling the information out of the Historical/Archive files in order to answer the questions. I have been able to answer some questions, however others are still pending.

I have been fortunate to have Frank Brehm as a resource on the Historical/Archive staff to help me in obtaining answers, or the correct resource to look for answers, for these inquiries along with Paul Finnegan who helps me all the time.

If you have not visited the Historical/Archive department web page recently, please consider looking at them to see "What's New" in the Western Pacific Documents page.

http://wplives.org/wphistory_wp_documents.html

We continue to add more materials to the Historical/Archive WEB pages.



Needs for the Archives:

We are always looking for help in getting materials properly stored and we need the support of the membership with helping supply storage materials for the archives.

Items listed below are needed to help keep our collection stored properly and should you wish to help us out, we certainly would like your donation and help.

- Computer Program to track all the Historical/Archive items (PastPerfect) is the computer program that I have been looking at, however I have not received a cost for that program as of yet.
- Archive Storage boxes for 35mm slides
- Archive Storage boxes for 8 1/2 X 11 materials

Should any member receive any donation and/or get an inquiry about a donation, please get in touch with Eugene, Frank, myself or any member of the board of directors so that we may follow up with the donor to make sure we properly address the donation or inquiry.

I would also like to thank all the volunteers that help us in the archive department.

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