

**Butte-Silver Bow Public Archives**  
**Board of Directors**  
**January 9, 2023**  
**12:00 p.m.**  
**Agenda**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of December 2022 Minutes
4. Directors Report for January 2023
5. Old Business
  - a. None
6. New Business
  - a. Deaccessions
    - i. 2022.170 – Kim Davidson: Duplicate framed Smithers Photograph*
  - b. Chateau / Root and the Bloom Update
7. Adjournment

**Butte-Silver Bow Public Archives  
Director's Report  
January 2023**

**Summary**

	<b>December 2022</b>	<b>November 2022</b>	<b>Year-to-Date</b>
Visitors	73	75	1,858
Auditorium Patrons	297	285	4,019
Auditorium Events	13	15	233
Research Requests	22	27	351
Photos Requested	20	206	781
Gov't Requests	6	10	166
Website Visitation	2,209	1,057	13,558
Facebook Engagement	8,072	1,626	68,861
Instagram Engagement	737	244	737
Volunteer Hours	215.5	295.5	3,943
Collections Received	10	11	152

**General Updates**

We're continuing to make headway in the ACM Pay Office. We think we have approximately 5 weeks of work left in the building until all the records we want to transfer are loaded onto pallets. In the time between then and when the weather gets warmer, we will scope out spaces in this building to stage and house the records as they are cataloged.

A goal I would like to work on over the coming years is a collections review. This has mostly arisen as over the past couple of years we've received some large collections and vault space is no longer as plentiful as it once was. I have begun the process of reviewing collections and that they are housed in an appropriately sized box, contains materials that are relevant to our collecting policy and/or for duplication. This will be a long-term project but is necessary to properly use our vault and shelving space.

We are working with the Mai Wah for our next exhibit and have selected a dozen dresses that will be displayed. We hope to have this up by Chinese New Year on January 22, but as the Mai Wah is volunteer run it is moving more slowly than I had hoped.

In December we had one Brown Bag Lunch presentation—Logan Dudding presented on researching his home and the mining claims surrounding it.

Lindsay wrote a tour on the 1895 explosion for the Story of Butte app. It will be live by the anniversary on January 15<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to view any of the tours that are currently live you can do so at: <https://storyofbutte.org/>.

## **Building Report**

We are still waiting for the replacement spring in the door between the 1<sup>st</sup> floor lobby and processing areas to be fixed. The part has finally been ordered but has not arrived. I bug Government Buildings about this every few weeks.

## **Grant Report**

The MLIA Road Attribution Project is continuing along. The transcriptionist position has been advertised and will close on January 12. The position is funded through the grant. The project period is through June 2023 but we are already discussing an extension request to fully use the grant funding.

In July, we submitted a Montana Cultural Trust grant application requesting \$6,500 to fund a new content management system to replace our current one—PastPerfect. The long-range planning committee has recommended we are funded the full \$6,500 and will meet January 9 to discuss.

## **Chateau Report**

The Black Rock exhibit photos will be on display at the Clark Chateau gallery until art walk. This should expose the exhibit to some new audiences who do not make it into the Archives.

The Chateau is picking back up with their regular programming after taking time from the holidays. Book Club, ukulele, threshold choir, and Young Creators all began again in the first week of January.

Slainte hosts community nights for various organizations and the Chateau/Root and the Bloom was one of the groups for December. They had a nice turnout and were able to talk to people about their programs.

Christine and Morgan have been working on scheduling the next round of New Songs performers, which will begin in April.

Their full calendar can be found here: <https://www.clarkchateau.org/servicescreative>

## **Friends Report**

In 2022, the Friends created a Marcus Daly copper coin. In continuing the Copper King series, the Friends will be producing an F. Augustus Heinze coin for 2023. In 2024, we will round out the series with W. A. Clark.

## DEACCESSION REQUEST

Accession No.: 2022.170  
Collection No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Collection Name: Kivi Davidson  
Donor: Kivi Davidson  
Item(s) to Remove: Framed Smitters photo

### Reason for Deaccession Request

- POOR CONDITION: The item(s) are in such shape that they have lost physical integrity, identity, or authenticity; or are beyond practical conservation and therefore of little or no historical, exhibit, or artistic value; or materials endanger the rest of the collections.
- INAPPROPRIATE: The item(s) are no longer (or never were) relevant to the purposes of the Archives or its collections policy.
- CARE: The Archives can no longer properly store or preserve the item(s).
- USE: It is doubtful that the item(s) will be useful for research in the foreseeable future, or will not be useful for exhibits.
- REDUNDANCY: The Archives has one or more records series, photographs, or items similar to, or the same as, this object. (Note below the object ID numbers of the similar objects.)
- Other: (specify)

### Recommended Disposition:

- Return to Donor
- Add to Garage Sale
- Destroy
- Transfer to another Institution: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

Recommended by: Jennifer Petersen Date: 12/14/2022

### Final Disposition:

- Retain
- Deaccession

Authorized by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Archives Director)

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(Archives Board of Directors)