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Cedar Lake Historical Association Wins Prestigious
2022 AASLH Albert B. Corey Award

Nashville, TN – The American Association for State and Local History (AASLH) congratulates the Cedar Lake Historical Association for winning the Albert B. Corey Award for their work on the Steam Through History program.

The Albert B. Corey Award is part of the AASLH Leadership in History Awards, the most prestigious recognition for achievement in the preservation of state and local history. Named in honor of a founder and former president of AASLH, the Albert B. Corey Award is limited to one winner per year. It recognizes a primarily volunteer-operated organization that best displays the qualities of vigor, scholarship, and imagination in their work. This special honor includes a $500 award for the organization.

Steam Through History was a one-week collaborative program in July 2021 between The Museum at Lassen’s Resort of Cedar Lake, IN, and the Hesston Steam Museum of LaPorte, IN. The signature experience re-enacted an 1896 journey across magnificent Cedar Lake from Lassen’s Resort to the Monon Railway Depot aboard an authentic steamboat. Passengers discovered Cedar Lake’s resort-era history while learning the science behind steam power. “Our goals were to increase guest attendance and volunteerism while creating excitement around the museum and engaging the community,” explained Julie Zasada, Cedar Lake Historical Association executive director. “We succeeded brilliantly and welcomed over 1,000 passengers in five days, many who were on Cedar Lake for the very first time. As a result, we renewed our partnership for 2022.”
This year, AASLH confers 53 national awards honoring people, projects, exhibits, and publications. The winners represent the best in the field and provide leadership for the future of state and local history.

The AASLH awards program was initiated in 1945 to establish and encourage standards of excellence in the collection, preservation, and interpretation of state and local history throughout the United States. The AASLH Leadership in History Awards not only honor significant achievement in the field of state and local history, but also bring public recognition of the opportunities for small and large organizations, institutions, and programs to make contributions in this arena. For more information about the Leadership in History Awards, contact AASLH at 615-320-3203, or go to www.aaslh.org.

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**About the Cedar Lake Historical Association**

The Cedar Lake Historical Association (CLHA), a nonprofit corporation, operates The Museum at Lassen’s Resort within a 101-year-old resort hotel that was a popular, early twentieth century recreation destination for Chicagoland and Northwest Indiana visitors. CLHA presents the relevance of Cedar Lake history using its imaginative, hands-on, Story of Cedar Lake museum gallery. Along with its partner institution, the Hesston Steam Museum, CLHA offers the only passenger-for-hire steamboat ride in Indiana - an experiential learning opportunity where guests discover Cedar Lake resort history amidst a demonstration of steam power. For more information about CLHA visit www.lassensresort.org

**About AASLH**

The American Association for State and Local History (AASLH), a national nonprofit association, provides leadership and resources to help the history community thrive and make the past more meaningful for all people. AASLH serves the tens of thousands of history organizations, professionals, and volunteers around the country who help people of all ages develop critical thinking skills and understand how learning history helps society make progress toward justice. Through research, advocacy, and our field-leading professional development program, AASLH advances public history practice and connects history practitioners to critical issues in the field and to one another. For more information about AASLH visit www.aaslh.org.