Theola,

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I just got a follow up call from him asking me--or NEH--how we feel about this. I sent him on to you.

Meredith

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Griffin, Katherine

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From: Mitchell, Anthony
Sent: Friday, January 27, 2017 9:28 AM
To: IPCAH-Staff
Subject: FW: NEH to ASLH

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I also received the email message. It does not appear that I received a telephone call.

Laura

Laura M. H. Davis
Inspector General

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I'm not sure who to report this to, so I'm sending it to the five of you. I suspect that if I received this it's likely that other NEH staff have received it as well. Earlier today I received this email (see below). Of course I did not reply to this email. I added the domain to my personal spam list.

One thing to note is this. I NEVER give my work email address or work phone number to friends/family/businesses/etc. I get a lot of spam at my NEH address, but nothing like the email below. Most spam I get is from IT businesses trying to sell NEH something.

Making matters worse is this. A few minutes ago I received a phone call from a person at this organization. It showed up on my phone as coming from Chad Neanover from 702-583-6455. I said to him "I can't have this phone call." He replied, "Why not?" I replied, "I'm discontinuing this phone call," and then I hung up.

We all get spam from many different sources, so when this first came to me I didn't think too much of it and merely deleted it. In fact, one of the reasons why I didn't think much of it was I didn't even read it. It was obviously not work related so I just deleted it. However, I was surprised that a phone call came directly to me on my work phone. It did not appear to have been a call forwarded to me. That happens quite a lot. People will call the NEH main number and ask to be transferred to the "network department" or "the person in charge of your network" or whatever. But it seemed as if this person had my direct number. If it was just the email, I wouldn't worry too much as we all get enormous amounts of SPAM.

I just want to reiterate that everything I do on a personal basis, whether it's signing up for a raffle or buying something on-line, is always done with my personal GMAIL account. Nor do I ever list my work number. The direct phone call to me makes me think that it's possible someone out there has a list of NEH names and phone numbers.

CRH

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From: Thomas, Jeff
Sent: Friday, January 27, 2017 9:40 AM
To: Plympton, Margaret <MPlympton@neh.gov>
Subject: RE: NEH to ASLH

Happy to relieve you of the burden of yet one more all-staff email from the deputy chair!

From: Plympton, Margaret
Sent: Friday, January 27, 2017 9:30 AM
To: Thomas, Jeff <jthomas@neh.gov>
Subject: RE: NEH to ASLH

Very nice, thanks!
Peggy

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From: Voyatzis, Lisette
Sent: Friday, January 27, 2017 10:44 AM
To: McDonald, Michael
Subject: Re: NEH to ASLH

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Sent: Friday, January 27, 2017 9:40:21 AM
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From: Adams, William
Sent: Friday, January 27, 2017 9:38 AM
To: Thomas, Jeff <jthomas@neh.gov>; !NEH-Staff <!NEH-Staff@neh.gov>
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From: Cherry, Wilsonia
Sent: Friday, January 27, 2017 4:41 PM
To: Thomas, Jeff
Subject: RE: NEH to ASLH

Thanks.
Wilsonia

From: Thomas, Jeff
Sent: Friday, January 27, 2017 3:46 PM
To: Cherry, Wilsonia <wcherry@neh.gov>
Subject: RE: NEH to ASLH

Thanks, Wilsonia. From similar reports I’ve heard from others, it looks like they’re making their way through our phone book.

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From: Cherry, Wilsonia
Sent: Friday, January 27, 2017 2:54 PM
To: Thomas, Jeff <jthomas@neh.gov>
Subject: RE: NEH to ASLH

Dear Jeff,

I had a missed call notification on my telephone when I returned from lunch. I called the number as I always do, not really knowing who the call was from. It turned out to be from the Culinary Union. I explained that I was unable to help them with their request for information or call to action. I then explained that I had to hang up, which I did. *Just wanted you to know.
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