

Katy was founded by hard working visionaries who settled wild prairie, opened businesses and created opportunity. In the spirit of our founders this scholarship is open to anyone who is seeking education to provide for their family, advance in their career, learn a trade or pursue higher education.

Katy Heritage Society Scholarship Instructions

The objective of the Katy Heritage Society, a non-profit volunteer organization, is to protect and preserve Katy's historic resources. The scholarship is funded through proceeds from the book "Historic Katy", other fund raisers and contributions made by members and friends of the society.

The Katy Heritage Society will award one (1) \$1,000 scholarships in 2014.

Eligibility

- Participants must be a member of a high school senior class OR enrolled or seeking to be enrolled at accredited Community College, College, University, Business, Vocational or Technical School and must reside within the geographic boundaries of the Katy Independent School district.

Requirements

- Participants must write a research paper concerned with some phase of Katy and/or the Katy area history. Topics may include notable persons.
- The research paper must incorporate original research.
- All research must be accurately documented in the paper. Quoted, paraphrased, and summarized information must be credited.
- The book, HISTORIC KATY may not be the main source for information.
- Length of the paper is relevant to the content, there is no requirement for length, only that the content will contribute to the ongoing mission of the Society to preserve local history.

Responsibilities of the Candidate

- All research must be personally conducted by the candidate. The applicant may begin research at any time.
- All writing and revising of the research paper must be done by the applicant.
- Applicants are encouraged to utilize resources within the community.

Rules for Submission

- All applications must be received by May 30, 2014.
- The paper should be attached to a cover page including the applicants name, address, phone number and email and the following information:

Note any involvement with the Katy Heritage Society
List any Volunteer, Community Service/ and Non-profit work
Describe briefly how you intend to meet your school expenses.

Judging Procedures

- In order to maintain impartiality, any references to the identity of the author will be removed or disguised. Judges will not know the identity of the author of all research papers submitted for consideration.
- A team of judges will evaluate the papers.
- Papers will be judged on historical accuracy, impact of the topic on Katy history, and literary merit.

Prizes

- One (1) winner will receive a Scholarship Prize in the amount of one thousand dollars and zero cents (\$1,000.00). The Scholarship Prize will be in the form of a check made payable to institution of higher education attended by the Scholarship Prize Recipient (once the Scholarship Prize Recipient has enrolled and submitted proof of enrollment to the Katy Heritage Society). Scholarship Prize Recipient must submit proof of enrollment on or before 08/31/2014.
- Scholarship Prize may not be assigned, transferred
- No cash equivalent prize will be awarded.
- Applicants agree to be bound by Official Rules and agree that if any Scholarship Prize Recipient fails to provide proof of identity, is found to have violated the Official Rules or otherwise does not meet eligibility criteria, Scholarship Prize will be forfeited and the Applicant who submitted the Application with the next highest score will become an alternate potential Scholarship Prize Recipient.
- Taxes on prizes are sole responsibility of Scholarship Prize Recipients.

Publicity

- Except where prohibited, by accepting a Scholarship Prize, the Scholarship Prize Recipients agree that Katy Heritage Society may, without any limitation or further compensation or notice, use his or her name and/or likeness in any and all media for the purpose of advertising and promoting the Katy Heritage Society.
- The names of the Scholarship Prize Recipients of this Scholarship Program will be posted on the KatyHeritageSociety.com Website

Right to modify, suspend or terminate

- In the event the Katy Heritage Society is prevented from continuing with the Scholarship Program by any event beyond its reasonable control, the Society shall have the right in its sole discretion to modify, suspend, or terminate the Scholarship Program.

Disposition of Research Papers

- The research papers will become the property of the Katy Heritage Society, and may be reproduced at the discretion of the Society.
- Acceptable papers will be placed in a collection at the Katy Heritage Society.

For additional information e-mail the Katy Heritage Society at: Katyheritage@aol.com