

# **THE ROADRUNNER**

## **Newsletter of the Junior Historians of Texas**

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### **2018 Junior Historians Annual Meeting and History Fair**

The Junior Historians Annual Meeting and History Fair will be held **April 6-7** at El Tropicano in San Antonio, Texas. We look forward to celebrating the tri-centennial! Please note the information below and make plans to join other JH members from across the state at this annual gathering. Attendees will visit The Battle of Texas Museum as well as The Alamo. RSVP for Friday night is requested at [MK.Marshall@TSHAonline.org](mailto:MK.Marshall@TSHAonline.org).



#### **Friday, April 6, 2018**

- 3:00–5:30 P.M. Registration & exhibit set-up  
*El Tropicano*
- 6:00–9:00 P.M. Dinner & Museum Activities  
*Battle of Texas Museum*
- 11:00 P.M. Curfew in effect at the hotel

#### **Saturday, April 7, 2018**

- 7:30–8:30 A.M. Late registration and exhibit set-up  
*El Tropicano*
- 8:00–10:30 A.M. Judging of History Fair  
*Waco Convention Center*
- 10:45–12:30 P.M. *The Alamo*
- 12:45–2:30 P.M. Luncheon & Awards Ceremony



\*All exhibits and props must be removed immediately following the awards ceremony.



## **ANNUAL MEETING AND HISTORY FAIR REGISTRATION**

**REGISTRATION  
DEADLINE IS MARCH  
7. 2018**

To register visit: [www.tshaonline.org/education/students/junior-historians/annual-meeting](http://www.tshaonline.org/education/students/junior-historians/annual-meeting). All chapter sponsors will need to create a new username and password to log in.

All chapter sponsors must complete the chapter report in one form or another by Monday, **March 7, 2018—whether or not their members will attend the annual meeting or submit writing contest materials!**

For those attending the annual meeting and entering the writing contest or the history fair, a registration receipt and code of conduct form will be available through the registration system. **Print the receipt and return with registration fees by March 30, 2018.**

### **ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION FEES**

The per-person fee is \$35.00, which includes dinner on Friday, luncheon on Saturday, and admission to museum activities throughout the weekend. All those attending any events, must pay the \$35.0 registration fee. (Including parents, siblings, etc.)



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### **LODGING**

TSHA has secured a **room block** at El Tropicano. To make your reservations, call the hotel's reservation number at 210-233-9461 and reference the **Junior Historians/TSHA**.

**Cut-off date for the JH group rate is March 7, 2018.**

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## **ON-SITE REGISTRATION PROCEDURES**

All students and sponsors attending the annual meeting must register and pay the registration fee. Registration for both the junior and senior divisions is from 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup> and will continue on Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-8:00 a.m. for late arrivals. At registration, a packet of materials will be distributed **only to the chapter sponsors and co-sponsors. Please check the packet contents before leaving the registration desk.** TSHA is not responsible for misplaced, lost or stolen materials.

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## **PLEASE COMPLETE YOUR CHAPTER REPORTS**

**Online with our web form:** You may fill out your chapter reports via our online web form. This form can be found at: [www.tshaonline.org/content/32208](http://www.tshaonline.org/content/32208).

**Chapter reports are critical to TSHA.** They help determine awards, and give us insight into your chapter activities throughout the year. These reports help TSHA secure grant funding that benefits your chapters. The reports only take a few minutes to fill out and, if you prefer, a chapter member can fill out the form for you. PLEASE fill out these forms; they are beneficial to you and to TSHA!

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## **HISTORICAL PAPERS**

Writing contestants are **strongly** encouraged to register for and attend the annual meeting. Please note: there is no limit to the number of papers your chapter can enter. Keep in mind that all papers must be postmarked by March 1, 2017. Four copies of each paper must be submitted.

## **DOCUMENTARY, EXHIBIT, PERFORMANCE AND WEBSITE ENTRIES**

Each chapter is allowed the following:

- One Chapter Project in the form of a documentary exhibit, performance or website
- Two Individual Documentaries
- Two Group Documentaries
- Two Individual Exhibits
- Two Group Exhibits
- Two Individual Performances

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- Two Individual Interpretive Websites
- Two Group Interpretive Websites

For group entries, include **all** students' names in the online contest registration form. We must have all student entrants' names so they can receive certificates of achievement at the awards ceremony. For Chapter Project Website guidelines, contact Mary Katherine Marshall at [MK.Marshall@TSHAonline.org](mailto:MK.Marshall@TSHAonline.org) or 512-471-2600.

## **SETTING UP EXHIBITS**

Signs will be placed on the exhibit hall tables indicating where each exhibit is to be set up. All exhibits will be evaluated at the Waco Convention Center. Exhibit students will not have an interview time.

## **WEBSITES**

Websites **must** be created using the NHD/Weebly platform. When registering online, please enter the unique URL assigned to each group or individual Website in the designated field. Websites will only be accepted as online NHD/weebly accounts and TSHA **will not** accept Website entries submitted on disks or as printouts. Websites will not be locked, as some students are also participating in NHD contests simultaneously. TSHA asks that students not edit their sites between March 12 and April 1 so judges may evaluate the entries.

## **DOCUMENTARIES AND PERFORMANCES**

The Junior Historians documentary and performance competition will be held at the Waco Convention Center. The week of the contest, sponsors will receive an email informing them of the exact judging times for their students. TSHA will provide a laptop, projector and screen. Students are encouraged to bring a device that they know will play their documentary in case of equipment problems onsite.

## **PROCESS PAPERS AND ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHIES**

All documentaries, exhibits, performances and interpretive Websites require four copies of a 500-word process paper, explaining how students conducted their research and created and developed their entries. An annotated bibliography explaining how students used their own sources, as well as how these materials helped them understand the topic, is also required.

## **HISTORICAL PAPERS AND ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHIES**

Historical papers should be documented as **endnotes**, according to the guidelines of either Kate L. Turabian's *Manual for Writers of Term Papers, Theses, and Dissertations* or the guidelines of the Modern Language Association (MLA). Parenthetical referencing is **discouraged** because the authors of papers selected for publication in the *Texas Historian* will be asked to convert their sources into endnotes prior to publication.

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## 2018 DATES TO REMEMBER

February	Registration opens for Junior Historians Annual Meeting 2018 Register online at: <a href="http://www.tshaonline.org/education/students/junior-historians/annual-meeting">www.tshaonline.org/education/students/junior-historians/annual-meeting</a>
March 7	Deadline for Junior Historians of Texas Writing Contest Papers and Adopt-A-Building Forms ( <i>Papers must be postmarked by March 7th.</i> )
March 15	Deadline for Junior Historians Meeting Registration and Chapter Reports
April 6-April 7	Junior Historians Annual Meeting and History Fair in San Antonio
March 28	Deadline for Texas History Day registration; papers due to TSHA, websites locked for judging
April 28	Texas History Day, Bullock Texas State History Museum and The University of Texas at Austin
June 10-14	National History Day, University of Maryland, College Park

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## SHARE YOUR SUCCESSES!!

**Make sure to bring your chapter scrapbooks to share the activities and projects carried out during 2017-2018!**

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