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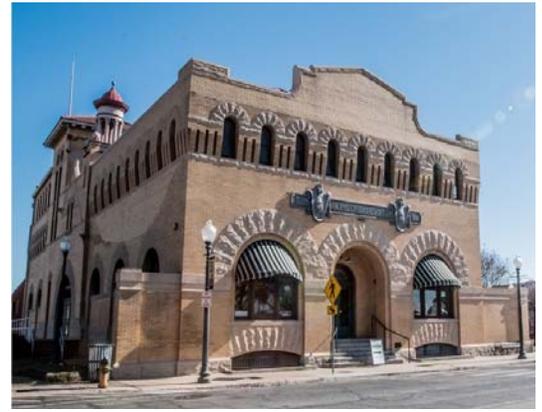
Newsletter of the Junior Historians of Texas

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Winter 2017

2017 Junior Historians Annual Meeting and History Fair

The Junior Historians Annual Meeting and History Fair will be held **March 31 - April 1** at the Hilton Waco and Waco Convention Center in Waco, Texas. Please note the information below and make plans to join other JH members from across the state at this annual gathering. The History Fair, Awards Luncheon and Ceremony will take place at the Waco Convention Center. Please note that dinner is provided for participants, parents and sponsors on Friday night before evening activities at the Dr. Pepper Museum. RSVP for Friday night is requested at MK.Marshall@TSHAonline.org.



Friday, March 31, 2017

- 3:00–5:30 P.M. Registration & exhibit set-up
Hilton Waco and Waco Convention Center
- 6:00–9:00 P.M. Dinner & Museum Activities
Dr. Pepper Museum
- 11:00 P.M. Curfew in effect at the hotel

Saturday, April 1, 2017

- 7:30–8:30 A.M. Late registration and exhibit set-up
Waco Convention Center
- 8:00–11:30 A.M. Judging of History Fair
Waco Convention Center
- 9:00–10:15 A.M. *Texas Ranger Hall of Fame & Museum*
- 10:30–12:00 P.M. *Mayborn Museum*
- 11:30–12:30 P.M. Exhibit Breakdown (exhibits must be removed by 12:30 P.M.)
- 12:30 P.M. Luncheon & Awards Ceremony





Waco Convention Center
Beginning at 3:00 P.M., March 31st, you and your Junior Historians may check in with TSHA staff, setup exhibits, and settle in at the Hilton Waco. Dinner will begin at 6:00 P.M. at the Dr. Pepper Museum. If your students have dietary restrictions that prevent them from eating specific foods, please let Mary Katherine Marshall

know in advance by email at MK.Marshall@TSHAonline.org or by phone at 512-471-2600. We will make every attempt to accommodate your students.

Friday evening, we will have dinner and tour the Dr. Pepper Museum. Junior Historians, their teachers, and chaperones will get the chance to explore the museum, visit with other chapters, and more. The museum, dedicated to honoring the now-famous beverage, honors Dr. Charles Alderton, a young pharmacist who spent most of his time mixing up medicine for the people of Waco and in his spare time hit upon the drink once ordered by customers at the counter as a “Waco.”

During the judging on Saturday, you and your students will have the opportunity to hear a Texas Ranger discuss the Rangers’ history and impact as an investigative division today. Following the Ranger Hall of Fame, stroll over to the Mayborn Museum on Baylor’s campus and step into their living history experience. In the museum’s hands-on Discovery Rooms, you never know what you will find!

The Junior Historians of Texas Annual Meeting Awards Luncheon will take place at 12:30 at the Waco Convention Center. Please make sure you return in time to break down exhibits before the ceremony and meal.

ANNUAL MEETING AND HISTORY FAIR REGISTRATION

Register today for the Annual meeting at: 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, 2016—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, 2017.**

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.

LODGING

TSHA has secured a **room block** at Hilton Waco. To make your reservations, call the hotel's reservation number at 254-754-8484 and reference the **TSHA/Junior Historians of Texas Annual Meeting**.



Cut-off date for the JH group rate is **March 13, 2016**.

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, March 31st and will continue on Saturday, April 1st 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.

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.

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!

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
- Two Group Performances
- 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 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.

OTHER FUN THINGS TO DO IN WACO!

- ✓ **Waco Mammoth National Monument:** This paleontological site represents the nation's only recorded discovery of a nursery herd of Columbian mammoths. Visitors can view "in situ" fossils including female mammoths, a bull mammoth, and a camel that lived approximately 67,000 years ago.
- ✓ **Cameron Park:** Where Waco celebrates life! Next door to downtown, the park is an oasis with towering trees, two rivers, breathtaking cliffs and a National Recreation Trail System. Share the park with hikers, bikers, disc golfers and picnickers.
- ✓ **Cotton Belt Trail:** Cotton Belt Trail is a 2.5 mile (one way) Hike and Bike Trail with a scenic view, including wildlife and a bridge crossing the South Bosque River. The trail begins at Trail Blazer Park on Harris Creek Road and ends near the Waco Regional Landfill on Hannah Hill Road. This trail is currently not lighted at night.
- ✓ **Spice Village:** A collection of shops that has all you need to add a little or a lot of zest to your life! Since 1997, Spice Village has taken shopping to a new level and now hosts more than 90 shops under one roof offering endless variety and options.

2017 DATES TO REMEMBER

February	Registration opens for Junior Historians Annual Meeting 2017 Register online at: www.tshaonline.org/education/students/junior-historians/annual-meeting
March 1	Deadline for Junior Historians of Texas Writing Contest Papers and Adopt-A-Building Forms (<i>Papers must be postmarked by March 1st.</i>)
March 7	Deadline for Junior Historians Meeting Registration and Chapter Reports
March 31-April 1	Junior Historians Annual Meeting and History Fair in Waco
March 28	Deadline for Texas History Day registration; papers due to TSHA, websites locked for judging
April 29	Texas History Day, Bullock Texas State History Museum and The University of Texas at Austin
April 29	Texas Quiz Show Championship, Bullock Texas State History Museum
June 11-15	National History Day, University of Maryland, College Park

SHARE YOUR SUCCESSES!!

Make sure to bring your chapter scrapbooks to share the activities and projects carried out during 2016-2017!

