
Our Tulare Historical Museum Is Sponsoring a...

Writing Contest

Theme: What I Learned From a Grandparent

About the Contest:

- Opened to all school aged children, 4th – 12th grade, living in the Tulare area.
- Each entry should be 2 to 4 pages long (computer written, 12pt font).
- A current photo of you and your grandparent (or adopted grandparent) mentioned in the writing project should be included if available. Additional photos and pictures that relate to your essay may be included.
- Writings will be judged mainly on the content of the entry, but will also consider spelling, grammar, punctuation, and neatness. (Judges will be selected from our community with varied backgrounds)
- All entries need to be mailed or brought to the Tulare Historical Museum (444 W. Tulare Ave.) by **October 1, 2011**. Winners will be announced on October 24, 2011 at the annual "Taste Treats" fundraiser.
- Only one entry per person. A cover page needs to include the following: Your full name, address, phone number, and entry category. Also include your grandparent's name, address, and phone number if possible.

Categories: A) 4th & 5th B) 6th, 7th, & 8th C) 9th & 10th D) 11th & 12th

- Each winner of each category will be rewarded \$75, and the runner up \$25.

Getting Started:

- A visit to the museum is encouraged to gather ideas and information – **FREE ADMISSION FOR BOTH IF YOU BRING THIS CONTEST PAPER.**
- Think about these ideas, but do not limit yourself to only these ideas. Remember that development of your topic and what you learned from your grandparent are very important.
 - The way schools were when your grandparent went and how they have changed
 - What the neighborhood your grandparent lived in was like
 - Shopping and/or clothing styles in Tulare then and now
 - Your grandparent's childhood home compared to your home
 - Careers/Jobs of your grandparent compared to your career plans
 - Noteworthy people or a current event your grandparent was influenced by
 - Favorite "words of wisdom" from a grandparent
 - Mealtimes and the food dishes that were prepared when your grandparents were growing up
 - A favorite book or pastime your grandparent remembers while growing up

****The Tulare Historical Museum will honor the winner and runner-up in each category at a reception in December. We will also create a temporary exhibit featuring the winning essays, photos and family memorabilia. The essays will be stored permanently in the museum's archives, and the photos and memorabilia will be returned to the families.****

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