



“Keeping the Story Alive: An Interview with a Hispanic Elder”

HGS 2011 SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY CONTEST

Thank you for your interest in the Hispanic Genealogical Society Scholarship Essay Contest. The HGS is looking for well written and relevant essays that address Hispanic Family History. This essay will give students the opportunity to explore and develop an understanding of their family heritage. Learning about family traditions and customs will allow students to effectively write a detailed essay based on their findings. This will enhance their knowledge of historical events and people not covered in textbooks.

Essays must be postmarked no later than by May 31, 2011. The Hispanic Genealogical Society will be awarding one \$500 scholarship. The winning essay will be published in the Hispanic Genealogical Society Annual Journal.

Who is eligible?

The essay contest is open to full- or part-time undergraduate students and high school seniors who plan to enroll in any field of study at an accredited local Houston area college or university in the Fall 2011.

How long should entries be?

Essays should be **no fewer than 800 and no more than 1,000 words in length**, and must be typewritten and double-spaced. Also include an ancestral chart with your essay.

How will essays be judged?

Each essay will be read and ranked by HGS members. HGS members will evaluate submissions based on relevance and detail. HGS will look for writing that is clear, articulate and well organized. Please submit your essays in English.

Where do I start?

You can start by interviewing a Hispanic elder relative. Find out where they came from, how they lived and what they did when they were young. You can also create a family tree by using ancestral charts found in our website. www.hispanicgs.org

When is the deadline?

All entries must be sent by May 31, 2011.

How do I submit my entry?

Mail your entry to address below.
Include the following with your entry:

- 1) Application Form
- 2) Applicant's Photograph
- 3) Essay and
- 4) Ancestral Chart (fill out as much information as possible)

NOTE: Scholarship winner will be invited to a Hispanic Genealogical Society meeting for an award presentation. Scholarship check will be mailed directly to the college/university specified in the application.

If you have a question contact us by email at information@hispanicgs.org

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**HISPANIC GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
2011 SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY CONTEST
APPLICATION FORM**

APPLICANT INFORMATION

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Street: _____

Apt. #: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION INFORMATION

College Student

College/University: _____

Expected Date of Graduation: _____

Major: _____

High School Senior

High School: _____

School District: _____

College/University you plan to attend _____

Major: _____

How did you hear about this essay contest? _____

Check List:

____ Application Form

____ Application Fee

____ Essay

____ Ancestral Interview

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No. 1 is the same person
as No. _____
on Chart No. _____

Ancestral Chart

CONTINUES
ON CHART

No. _____

16

8

Birth Date & Place

17

Marriage Date & Place

Death Date & Place

18

9

Birth Date & Place

19

Death Date & Place

20

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Birth Date & Place

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Marriage Date & Place

Death Date & Place

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Marriage Date & Place

Death Date & Place

Spouse

6

Birth Date & Place

Marriage Date & Place

Death Date & Place

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