

2010 Jean Saunders History Contest

The purpose of the Jean Saunders History Contest is to develop increased student awareness of and pride in local history and Putnam County's place in our national history.

Rules

1. The contest is open to all seventh grade students in Garrison and Haldane
2. Projects may be in any form approved by their teacher.
3. Entries must focus on some aspect of the history of Philipstown, Putnam County, or the Hudson Highlands.
4. Essays should not exceed 1,000 words. Audio and visuals should not 30 thirty minutes. Posters and models should be of a reasonable size for display.
5. Teachers, parents, relatives, and friends may be used as advisors and resources, but the project itself must be the work of the student.
6. Entries may be submitted by individuals, or a team of no more than two students.
7. Entries will be judged on presentation, accuracy of content, quality of research skills and the student's ability to draw logical conclusions, originality and creativity.
8. Entries must be accompanied by a bibliography that includes at least two **books** or **primary documents**.

Dates and Procedures

1. Student and Parent contracts, as well as topics are due to the Putnam County Historical Society & Foundry School Museum by 5 pm on Friday, October 22.
2. Projects should be delivered to the Putnam County Historical Society & Foundry School Museum by 5 pm on Friday, December 3.
3. Awards will be announced at the Putnam County Historical Society & Foundry School Museum, 63 Chestnut Street, Cold Spring. There will be a reception for all participants, families, and friends on Tuesday, December 14.

Research

The Putnam County Historical Society & Foundry School Museum will be open to students by appointment with the Outreach Coordinator, Kendall Ingenito. I can be reached at 845-265-4010, or through email, kingenito@pchs-fsm.org.

There are three weekend days that the PCHS library will be available to students for walk-in; Saturday, October 23rd, Saturday, November 13th, and Sunday, November 21st. In addition, I will be visiting the schools during last period on November 3rd (Garrison) and November 9th (Haldane) for research assistance and essay help.

A facebook page has also been set up for the students to ask questions, discuss topics, or talk about any difficulties they may be having with the project. It can be found under PCHS Jean Saunders History Contest.

Awards (Awards are given to each individual within a group)

First Place \$100
Second Place \$75
Third Place \$50