

HISTORIAN COMPETITION.

Excerpted from Standing Rule VI. Awards and Competitions; C. Historian Competition, as adopted in October 2006:

A Historian Competition shall be held each year at the Annual Membership Meeting. The following information shall be used as a guideline for all chapter historians in preparing a work to be presented for competition and judging.

1. SUBMITTED WORKS

- a. Works to be submitted for consideration in the Historian Competition may be in any form deemed appropriate by the submitting Chapter. These works may be in the form of a book, a photographic representation, graphic art, fine art, fabric art, electronic art, a power point presentation, CD, DVD, VHS, or any other recognized media.
- b. The submitting Chapter must provide to the Historian notice of its intent to submit a work as set forth in Section III, 1 below. Additionally, the submitting Chapter must provide to the Historian any necessary supporting equipment to enable the judges to view its submission (i.e., if a power point presentation, then a computer must accompany the submission, etc.) The submitting chapter shall be responsible for any charges incurred by FALSS or the hosting chapter for hook-up of any necessary supporting equipment at the Annual Membership Meeting.
- c. The hosting chapter of the Annual Membership Meeting shall make available sufficient space for the judging of the Competition, as may be agreed upon by the hosting chapter and the Historian.

2. REQUIRED CONTENTS:

- a. The submitted work shall include (in some format):
 - 1) Name of Chapter
 - 2) Name of President
 - 3) Year(s) covered by the submitted work
- b. Officers may be listed by name or shown in a representational format.
- c. Committee Chairs may be listed by name or shown in a representational format.

3. JUDGING

- a. A written "intent to enter" shall be provided to the Historian postmarked no later than March 1 of each year. This "intent to enter" can be accomplished either by U.S. Mail, e-mail, or facsimile.
- b. A panel of three independent judges shall be chosen from the community in which the Annual Membership Meeting is to be held. The judges may be invited to attend the Annual Membership Meeting luncheon to be introduced to the membership and thanked for their participation in the competition.
- c. The deadline to turn in pre-entered submitted works shall be 8:30 a.m. on the day of the Annual Membership Meeting, or at such other time as designated by the Historian and the hosting chapter. Any necessary supporting equipment must be provided to the Historian at the same time, along with detailed written instructions for the operation of the equipment to be used to view the submitted work.
- d. Judging by the panel will occur during the Annual Membership Meeting. Each judge will be furnished with a separate score sheet for each entry. The score sheet will outline the items listed in "I. Required Contents" above with point assignments for each category to assist the judges in evaluating the entries. Additionally there will be point assignments for originality, creativity, use of design, and use of materials. Scores from all of the judges will be tabulated, and the winners will be announced at the Annual Membership Meeting Banquet.

- e. Whenever possible, depending upon space and time availability, the submitted works will be available for viewing by the membership after the formal judging. Comment sheets will be provided for each submitted work entered in the Competition for members to participate in an informal "straw ballot" opinion poll. The panel of judges shall not be told of the "straw ballot" nor shall they see the "straw ballot" sheets. The results of the "straw ballot" opinion poll shall have no impact upon the decision of the panel of judges and shall be announced at the Annual Membership Meeting Banquet.
 - f. The Chair shall notify by direct mail any chapters or members whose submitted works have been disqualified, giving the reason for disqualification.
4. DIVISIONS
- a. DIVISION I shall consist of chapters with no more than 20 FALSS members.
 - b. DIVISION II shall consist of chapters with 21 or more FALSS members.
5. AWARDS
- a. DIVISION I awards shall be as follows:
 - 1st Place - Certificate and Ribbon
 - 2nd Place - Certificate and Ribbon
 - 3rd Place - Certificate and Ribbon
 - Honorable Mention - Certificate (Honorable Mention may consist of as many awards as are deemed meritorious by the FALSS Historian and/or the judging panel in their sole discretion.)
 - b. DIVISION II awards shall be as follows:
 - 1st Place - Certificate and Ribbon
 - 2nd Place - Certificate and Ribbon
 - 3rd Place - Certificate and Ribbon
 - Honorable Mention - Certificate (Honorable Mention may consist of as many awards as are deemed meritorious by the FALSS Historian and/or the judging panel in their sole discretion.)
 - c. Straw Ballot Opinion Poll award may be either a Certificate or a Ribbon.