

NEW KENT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Writing Contest

There are three categories for this competition. All entries **must** be the original work of the student. Each student may enter only one contest. See the guidelines for each category below:

| Option One: Comic/Illustrated History | Option Two: Newspaper Article | Option Three: Poetry |
|---|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Your comic must be between 5-10 frames. • Your submission may be black and white or color. • It must have an original title. • It must center around one of the topics listed below. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Your article must be between 3 – 5 paragraphs. • It must be typed. • It must center around one of the topics listed below. • You may pretend you were a journalist during that time period OR you can “put yourself in the shoes” of an important figure during that time. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Your poem must be between 10 – 20 lines. • It must be typed. • It may be free verse or rhyming. • It must center around one of the topics listed below. • You may pretend you witnessed the historical event OR “put yourself in the shoes” of an important figure during that time. |

POSSIBLE TOPICS: All center around World War II activities.

1. Rationing items here at home.
2. Biographical sketch of someone who lived in New Kent County in the 1940s.
3. Civil Air Watch personnel
4. *U.S.S. New Kent*
5. Life in New Kent County during the war
6. A child growing up in New Kent County during the war
7. Leaving New Kent to find employment
8. Military personnel (from New Kent) who participated in World War II
9. A “ward” who lived at the Methodist Orphanage in Orapax

SELECTION OF WINNERS

is based on historic accuracy, as well as grammatical correctness.

PRIZES

- 1ST place in each category will receive a \$50.00 cash prize.
- 2nd place in each category will receive a \$25.00 cash prize.
- All prizes will be awarded at the event **WWII-FREEDOM CALLS-NK**, held at the Historic School grounds on June 7th. Entrants will be notified of the specific time.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- All work must be turned in to Mrs. Sarah Hodges, no later than April 4th. (Home-schooled students may send their entries to New Kent Historical Society, P.O. Box 24, New Kent, VA 23124.
- Each entry must have a cover sheet on which the following is clearly stated: Student’s name, grade in school, school attending, telephone number where he/she can be reached.
- Each entry must have a bibliography of the resource sources used for the entry.