

Places to Go, Things to Do

James K. Polk Memorial State Historic Site, Pineville
President Polk Birthday Celebration
Saturday, November 3
10:00 A.M.–4:00 P.M.

Come see late-eighteenth-century children's games and activities, cooking, and other living history demonstrations. Experience what life was like in Mecklenburg County when James K. Polk, the eleventh president of the United States, was born in November 1795. (704) 889-7145.

CSS Neuse/Governor Richard Caswell Memorial State Historic Site, Kinston
Naval Camp of Instruction
Saturday, November 17, and Sunday, November 18
10:00 A.M.–4:00 P.M.

Learn how the crew of the *Neuse* trained for its job aboard the ironclad. Demonstrations will include musket and artillery drills, cutlass and boarding drills, and seamanship. Activities by civilian reenactors will be candlemaking, bandage rolling, and shirtmaking. (252) 522-2091.

Horne Creek Living Historical Farm, Pinnacle
Plow Day
Saturday, November 17
10:00 A.M.–4:00 P.M.
Nominal fee for refreshments.

Come experience farming the old-fashioned way before the tractor took over—when the mule was king and the horse in style. Watch members of the North Carolina Draft Horse and Mule Association, along with Horne Creek Farm's staff, carry on a tradition that still captures the heart. (336) 325-2298.

North Carolina Museum of History, Raleigh
Sixth Annual American Indian Heritage Festival
Saturday, November 17
11:00 A.M.–4:00 P.M.

Celebrate North Carolina's American Indian heritage! Enjoy activities, crafts, music, entertainment, and foods, and see exciting American Indian performers on stage. (919) 715-0200.

North Carolina Museum of History, Raleigh
North Carolina Remembers World War II
Saturday, December 8
3:00 P.M.–4:30 P.M.

To commemorate the sixtieth anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor, a panel of North Carolinians, led by moderator Sion Harrington, archivist, will recall their wartime experiences. (919) 715-0200.

Happy Holidays from THJHA



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THJHA Contests Provide Opportunities for Members

You know your junior historians are brilliant. I know your junior historians are brilliant. Now, it's time to let the world know that your junior historians are brilliant by encouraging them to compete in the THJHA contests—thereby showing off their historical knowledge and creativity!

THJHA wants every junior historian to compete in the project competitions. However, we know how tough it is to add to an already overly burdened curriculum. Therefore, we are looking for ways for THJHA advisers to integrate the THJHA contests into the current North Carolina Standard Course of Study. In the past two years, THJHA and its sponsors have made a concerted effort to write the essay contest questions to reflect the end-of-grade writing requirements in order to encourage THJHA advisers to use the essay contests (American Revolution, Civil War, and THJH Essay) to help prepare students for the writing tests.

This summer, several advisers asked that the essay questions and Artifact Search Contest information be made available earlier, and THJHA tried its best to do so by posting

the 2002 contest forms on the THJHA Web page in September. Despite a few technical glitches, this information was available by September 30 in a downloadable format. We will try our best to have this information available even earlier in the school year in 2002–2003.

The THJHA contests provide a wonderful opportunity for members to develop research and analytical skills, to express themselves creatively, and to share what they have learned about North Carolina's history and culture with others. Winners of the contests can take pride in having their work displayed in the THJHA gallery at the North Carolina Museum of History for a year. They may receive cash prizes or statewide publicity for their accomplishments.

THJHA encourages advisers to continue to suggest ways of improving the contests. Post suggestions via the Web site on the Adviser Bulletin Board (password: April1953), or by e-mailing thjhaclubs@ncmail.net. Use the forms included with this newsletter and ENTER THE CONTESTS in 2002!

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