October 5, 2015

Dear Ms. Mallar,

For the second year the Hillsdale County Historical Society will give a one-time $250 award to a Hillsdale County high school senior to be used as he or she likes. The recipient will be chosen based on a 500 (or less) word essay, which will be judged by a Society committee. We request that you make available to your seniors the following information so those who are interested may apply for this award.

The application and essay topic appear on the next page. Three copies are due to the committee from applicants no later than March 1, 2016. By March 31, 2016, the committee will have completed the judging of the essays. The award will be presented to the winner of the scholarship at the student’s high school Class/Honors Night.

The essay of the first winner of this award, Emily Wagler of North Adams-Jerome High School, is on our website: http://www.hillsdalehistoricalsociety.org/emily-wagler-2015. Seniors interested in applying for this award might find it, as well as other articles on our website (hillsdalehistoricalsociety.org) helpful in brainstorming a topic.

JoAnne P. Miller
Hillsdale County Historical Society
High School History Award  
(a one-time award presented to a senior in a Hillsdale County high school)

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(name)                                    (date)

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(high school)                           (date of Class/Honors Night)

(email - print very clearly so we can send a confirmation that we've received your application)

What would you like us to know about you?

Essay: You don't need to be a historian to appreciate the interesting history of Hillsdale County. From 1828, when Moses and Mary Allen brought their family to the area, to the present day, there are people, places, things and events that have had an impact on the county. Choose one of them. In 500 words or less tell how the topic you chose has contributed to Hillsdale County.

Please type your essay. Don't put your name or your school on it. Staple this form to one copy of your essay and include two additional copies. Send them to arrive no later than March 1, 2016 to:

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