**THE EAST TEXAS HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION**

**PINE KNOT LEGACY AWARD**

 The Pine Knot Legacy Award, presented by the East Texas Historical Association (ETHA), honors the exemplary work of county historical commissions and small, non-profit heritage groups in the East Texas region. It is designed to recognize those organizations that have, over time, demonstrated a continuing interest in the preservation and promotion of regional heritage through a variety of programs that reflect the association’s central objective of fostering a greater appreciation for and understanding of the rich and diverse history of East Texas. The award includes an honorarium of $500 to support the winner’s ongoing preservation efforts.

Nomination information:

* Nominees will be from the East Texas region.
* Organizations may nominate themselves, although nominations will also be accepted from other groups or individuals.
* Nominees are not required to be members of the ETHA, although preference will be given to those organizations that are.
* Nominations will be evaluated on the following criteria:
	+ Evidence of long-term commitment to heritage preservation or interpretation (rather than for a single project);
	+ Diversity of programming;
	+ Evidence of team/organizational involvement (rather than the work of one individual);
	+ Partnership with other local organizations;
	+ A commitment to public heritage education.
* The deadline for submitting nomination forms is **August 10th**. The winner will be notified via mail and announced at the September meeting of the ETHA. The formal presentation of the award, however, will occur in the organization’s home town or county.
* Application form [see next page] may be filled out online, and must be submitted **via email only** to Dan K. Utley, Chair, Pine Knot Legacy Award Committee (utleydank@gmail.com).

Questions regarding the award requirements may also be sent to the same email address.

**NOMINATION FORM**

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In order to be considered for the 2013 Pine Knot Legacy Award, please provide the following information as noted.

*Instructions*: Fill in spaces provided, save the form with *your organization’s name and PNL Award* as the document name, and email it to Dan K. Utley, Chair, Pine Knot Legacy Award Committee, utleydank@gmail.com

**1. Name of the organization:**

Click here to enter text.

**2. Contact person (authorized to answer questions about the nomination):**

Click here to enter text.

**3. Organizational mailing address:**

Click here to enter text.

**4. Email address:**

Click here to enter text.

**5. Area code and phone number:**

Click here to enter text.

**6. Founding year of the organization:**

Click here to enter text.

**7. Number of active members:**

Click here to enter text.

**8. Is the organization a member of the East Texas Historical Association?**

 Yes [ ]  No [ ]

**9. In what ways has the organization worked to preserve local or regional history through the years? Please be specific. (Limit: 600 words; items may be bulleted)**

Click here to enter text.

**9. How has the organization worked to diversify its programming? (Limit: 250 words)**

Click here to enter text.

**10. Describe how the organization has worked as a team to accomplish its program goals and how its efforts have contributed to a greater public awareness of history. (Limit 250 words)**

Click here to enter text.

**11. Please provide three letters from outside groups or individuals in support of the organization’s heritage efforts. (Letters may be attached along with the nomination as pdf documents or sent separately from those providing the letters.)**

*All materials submitted become the property of the East Texas Historical Association and cannot be returned.*