

# 2017 Suzanne Winsor Freeman Memorial Student Genealogy Grant

**The Suzanne Winsor Freeman Memorial Student Genealogy Fund** was established to honor Suzanne's Freeman's lifetime of service to young people and to assist young genealogists seeking to advance their genealogical education.

Suzanne Freeman was a life-long volunteer who worked with many youth organizations in the capacity of leader, organizer, and administrator. Born in Olathe, Kansas, Suzanne moved to Orange County, California with her family in the early 1930s where she attended school and lived most of her life. She developed a strong interest in family history sparked by the stories of her mother's early life in Colorado and Kansas.

After retirement Suzanne moved to Green Valley, Arizona where she was active in the local genealogy society. She enjoyed returning to Southern California each year in June to attend the Southern California Genealogical Society Jamboree. At the time of her death in Tucson, Arizona August 28, 2010, Suzanne was searching for elusive Winsor cousins and adding more stories to her family history.

The \$500 cash award from the Suanne Freeman Grant Committee pays tribute to these interests by awarding the annual cash grant to a young genealogist attending the SCGS Jamboree. In addition, the Southern California Genealogical Society Jamboree will award the grant recipient complimentary three-day registration to the SCGS 2017 Genealogy Jamboree June 9-11, 2017 in Burbank, California.

## **Applicant Eligibility Requirements**

- Applicant must be between the ages of 18 and 23 as of June 8, 2017.
- Applicant must have been enrolled in a college, university, or secondary school within the last twelve months.
- All Grant Application materials including Letters of Recommendation must be received via email by Saturday, April 15, 2015, midnight Pacific Time.
- The Grant recipient must attend the 2017 Southern California Genealogical Society Jamboree in Burbank, California to accept the award at the Saturday evening banquet June 10, 2017. Two nights hotel accommodations will be provided June 9 and 10, 2017. No other travel funds will be provided.

## **Application Instructions**

Application materials should be sent by email to [swfgrant@gmail.com](mailto:swfgrant@gmail.com) with your last name in the subject line (Surname, SWF Grant Application).

1. **Complete Grant Application Form.**
2. **Request TWO letters of recommendation from individuals who can attest to your genealogy experience and interest.** These may be letters of any length commenting on a specific research experience or academic accomplishment in the field of family history observed by the individual. Letters must be received no later than April 15, 2017.

- a. One letter of recommendation from a non-immediate family member, such as aunt, uncle, grandparent, etc.
  - b. One letter from an individual in the genealogy or academic community, such as family history center director, college instructor, or genealogist (does not need to be a professional) who can attest to your interest, genealogy volunteerism and/or skill in family history research.
  - c. Letters should be emailed directly by the individual to [swfgrant@gmail.com](mailto:swfgrant@gmail.com) with your SURNAME/SWF Grant in the Subject Line.
3. **Sign and date the application form.**
  4. **Email the completed application via email by midnight Saturday, April 15, 2017, midnight Pacific Time to [swfgrant@gmail.com](mailto:swfgrant@gmail.com).** An email receipt will verify successful receipt of your application. Late applications will not be considered.

The award recipient will be notified on or before April 30, 2017.

Only successfully received electronic submissions will be considered for the award. Recipient must attend the 2017 SCGS Jamboree in Burbank, California. The decision of the grant committee is final. Sponsor reserves the right to award more or less Grants, or not to award any Grant, if, in their sole discretion, a sufficient number of qualified applications is not received. Information provided in the application may be used for research, evaluation, and publicity purposes.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**

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# Application

## Suzanne Winsor Freeman Memorial Genealogy Grant and Southern California Genealogical Society Jamboree Scholarship

**Deadline for ALL Application Materials is April 15, 2017 midnight PDT**

via email to swfgrant@gmail.com with your last name in the subject line  
(Surname, SWF Grant Application)

### Personal Information

Your Name	
Street Address	
City ST ZIP	
Home Phone	
Cell Phone	
E-Mail Address	
Birthdate	
Facebook Account	
Parents' Name (s)	
Hometown and State	

### Academic Information

Last school attended	
Date attended	
City ST	
Major or Concentration	
Extracurricular activities, leadership positions, volunteer work	

### Genealogy Experience

Genealogy society memberships	
Genealogy conferences or courses attended, with dates	
Website or blog	
Major areas of interest	<input type="checkbox"/> Online research <input type="checkbox"/> Repository research <input type="checkbox"/> Genetic Genealogy <input type="checkbox"/> Technology <input type="checkbox"/> Writing <input type="checkbox"/> Blogging <input type="checkbox"/> Cemetery Transcriptions <input type="checkbox"/> Lineage Societies <input type="checkbox"/> International Heritage <input type="checkbox"/> Military research <input type="checkbox"/> Oral History <input type="checkbox"/> Scrapbooking <input type="checkbox"/> Archival Preservation <input type="checkbox"/> Photo Restoration <input type="checkbox"/> Video and Audio <input type="checkbox"/> Other

### Letters of Recommendation

List the names and email addresses of individuals you have asked to send letters on your behalf. Letters should be emailed directly by the individual to swfgrant@gmail.com with your SURNAME/SWF Grant in the Subject Line. **Letters must be received by the application deadline date.**

Family member or personal recommendation	
Genealogy reference	

### Personal Statement

Answer the following (300 words or less, each response):

1. What person or experience first sparked your interest in family history?

2. How will attending the Jamboree help you in your genealogical education?

3. What is your primary genealogical goal?

### Person to Notify in Case of Emergency

Name	
Street Address	
City ST ZIP	
Home Phone	
Cell Phone	
E-Mail Address	

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### Agreement and Signature

By submitting this application, I affirm that the facts set forth in it are true and complete. I understand that if I am selected as a grant recipient I will attend the 2017 SCGS Jamboree in Burbank, California and be present at the awards presentation (time/date to be determined). I understand that any false statements, omissions, or other misrepresentations made by me on this application may result in my immediate disqualification.

I understand that only successfully received electronic submissions will be considered for the award. The decision of the grant committee is final. Sponsor reserves the right to award more or less Grants, or not to award any Grant, if, in their sole discretion, a sufficient number of qualified applications is not received. Information provided in the application may be used for research, evaluation, and publicity purposes.

Name (printed)	
Signature	
Date	
Mobile Phone Number	
Best Time to Reach You	

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Thank you for completing this application form and for your interest in the Suzanne Freeman Student Genealogy Grant and Jamboree Scholarship.

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Finalists will be notified on or before April 30, 2017.

Contact Denise Levenick for further information: [swfgrant@gmail.com](mailto:swfgrant@gmail.com)