

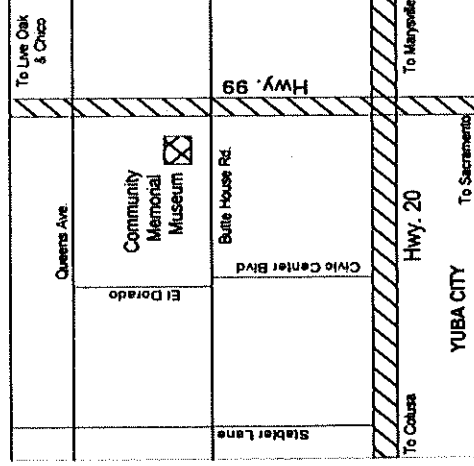
The Crowhurst Memorial Scholarship Award was established in 1976 in the memory of Estelle Peirano Crowhurst, who was known for her column, "The Diary of a Housewife," which was published weekly in the Independent - Herald, a Yuba City newspaper. The award is also a memorial to Estelle's son Thomas J. Crowhurst, who excelled in journalistic writing, especially about sports. He also wrote "The Sutter Notes," a column for the Appeal Democrat, and contributed information for the sports pages. His sense of humor was appreciated by many organizations where he was often the master of ceremonies.

From 1980 to 2000 the award was offered to students attending Yuba College. Written in journalistic style, winning entries were based on fact, and managed to include a bit of humor. The award continues now in conjunction with the museum as a means of involving more people in the appreciation of Sutter County's history.

Students who plan to attend college and feel they have creative literary talent are encouraged to participate in this scholarship opportunity.

Sutter County Museum Mission Statement

The Sutter County Museum mission is to share local stories to strengthen community bonds, to inspire celebration of our diverse cultural heritage, and to demonstrate how understanding the past prepares us for the future.

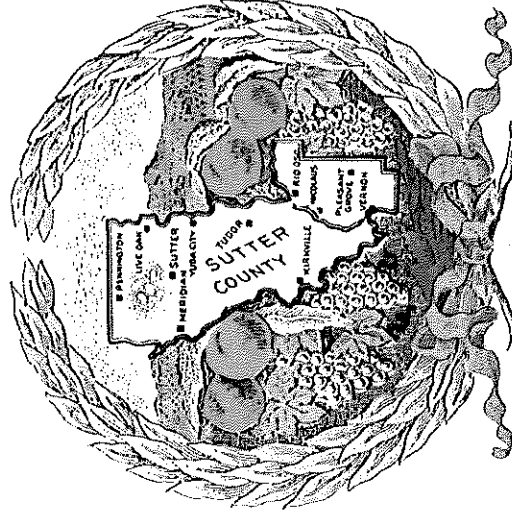


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Yuba City, CA 95993**

CROWHURST MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

2026

Sutter County Museum



- **Purpose of the scholarship:** To increase knowledge and awareness of the history of Sutter County and its communities.
- **Eligibility of applicants:** Must be full time high school senior students and enrolled in Sutter County schools.
- **No minimum G.P.A.**
- **Award will be granted on** the basis of an essay reflecting the heritage of Sutter County.
- **Winning essay** will receive a monetary award of \$1000 and will be published in the Community Memorial Museum of Sutter County quarterly news bulletin.
- **Theme for 2026:**
HEROES OF SUTTER COUNTY
The Author participant must interview and write a profile about a Sutter County resident who has made an impact on his/her life, or within the county.
- **Title Page** must include the applicant's name, address, phone number and school attending.
- **Essay requirements:** The essay must be grammatically correct, should be typed and double-spaced, and written in a journalistic style, not to exceed 750 words.
- **Judging of the essays will be based on the following criteria:** Content addresses the theme and has universal appeal, credibility, readability, imagination, originality, and creativity.

SUGGESTED RESOURCES:

- *Sutter County Library*
(530) 822-7137
- *Yuba County Library*
(530) 749-7380
- *Sutter County Museum*
(530) 822-7141
suttercountymuseum.org
- *High School Library*
- *Personal Interviews*
- *Crowhurstscholarship@gmail.com*
- *Bancroft Library,*
UC Berkeley
(510) 642-6481
<http://bancroft.berkeley.edu/>

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Deadline is April 1, 2026
Submit entry to your school
career counseling,
administrative office or
to the Museum.