



The Jessie Klicka Foundation

\$2,000 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS IN NORTH PARK

To: High school counselors, teachers, high school seniors and their families
From: North Park Historical Society

The North Park Historical Society (NPHS), in association with the Jessie Klicka Foundation, is pleased to invite all qualified individuals to apply for the \$2,000 NPHS/Klicka Foundation Scholarship.

Applicants must be graduating high school seniors who currently reside in North Park (see map attached) and have applied to a four-year institution. Applicants must possess a minimum 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

The winner will be selected based on conformity with application requirements, two letters of reference and the completion of two essay questions. The successful applicant will demonstrate dedication to his/her community through one or more of the following areas: volunteerism, community service, civic participation, and extracurricular activities. The Klicka Foundation will send the scholarship award directly to the institution. This is a one-time award.

Applications must be submitted to the North Park Historical Society, received no later than March 19, 2011.

Further copies of the application may be accessed at
www.northparkhistory.org/projects/klicka/

Questions may be directed to NPHS, Louise Russell, Scholarship Chair, at (619) 299-3736 or louiserussell@sbcglobal.net

Please note that the Klicka Foundation has two scholarships. This one is managed by the NPHS and you must be a North Park resident. The other one is managed by the Klicka Foundation. Requirements for that scholarship may be found on the Klicka Foundation website.

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THE JESSIE KLICKA FOUNDATION

Jessie Weegar Klicka, wife of Emil Klicka, was a pioneer of the backcountry in San Diego County with a local reputation excelling in horsemanship and marksmanship. She attended schools in Yuma, Arizona and Our Lady of Peace Academy in San Diego,

Mrs. Klicka passed away in 1957 and upon the death of Mr. Klicka in 1959, the Foundation was created through Mr. Klicka's will to honor his deceased wife.

Mr. Klicka moved from Chicago to San Diego in the early twenties and became an outstanding citizen of the community. He was a vice president of the Bank of America and personal friend of Mr. A. P. Giannini, founder of the Bank of America. Early in his career Mr. Klicka established commercial enterprises in the undeveloped North Park area for which he was recognized as having outstanding foresight. Mr. Klicka developed the North Park Theatre in 1929.

Later on he was instrumental in helping to bring Consolidated Aircraft to San Diego from Buffalo, New York. Also, he was treasurer of the 1935-36 San Diego Exposition, and for sixteen years secretary of the Pilot Commission of San Diego Harbor. In addition to his many contributions to the community, he was active in the establishment of the Del Mar Racetrack.

Though Mr. And Mrs. Klicka had no children of their own, they had a high regard for the young people of our country. Mr. Klicka's nephew, Robert Emil Klicka, serves as the current president of the Foundation, the purpose of which is to assist deserving San Diego area high school graduates receive a university education.

The award-winning book, *North Park: A San Diego Urban Village, 1896-1946* by Donald P. Covington, has more information on the Klickas.

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Who May Apply

The NPHS/Klicka Scholarship is a one time, \$2,000 Award open to graduating high school seniors who meet the following criteria:

1. Applicant must be a resident of North Park (see attached map).
2. Applicant has applied to a four-year college/university institution (pending acceptance).
3. Applicant has a minimum 3.0 G.P.A. on a 4.0 scale

Application Procedure

Completed applications must be submitted by March 19, 2011. No exceptions. Applications should be addressed to: NPHS/Klicka Scholarship, c/o Louise Russell, 3407 Mississippi St, San Diego, CA 92104. A community panel will evaluate completed applications and supporting materials to select a winner.

Basis for Selection

The following criteria will be taken into consideration in making the award.

1. A completed application signed by applicant and parent(s) or guardian(s)
2. Academic achievement (minimum 3.0 G.P.A.) verified by academic transcript.
3. Participation in community service, civic volunteerism or extra curricular activities.
4. **Two letters of reference**
 - a. **One reference must be from a teacher.**
 - b. **One reference must be from a non-relative who is familiar with the applicant's non-school activities (e.g. community representative, employer, coach, mentor, religious leader, volunteer coordinator, etc.) This should NOT be someone from your school.**
5. A typed autobiographical essay introducing the applicant (maximum of 2 pages, double spaced, 1" margins).
6. A typed essay on community service, civic volunteerism, or extra curricular activities (max. 2 pages, double spaced, 1" margins).

Notification of Award

The winning applicant will be notified of the award. The award will be sent directly to the four-year institution indicated by the applicant. Confirmation of acceptance into the four-year institution must be received before the check can be distributed. For more information, contact NPCA Scholarship Chairman, Louise Russell (619) 299-3736 or louiserussell@sbcglobal.net

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o **ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPT**

Enclose a current academic transcript for high school (grades 9-12).

o **RESUME**

Please provide a resume that lists the applicant’s academic history, work and/or volunteer experience, community service, extracurricular activities, and any awards/honors. Include dates for all events and activities listed on the resume.

o **AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL ESSAY** **Essay MUST be typed - Title and number pages**
Maximum of 2 pages, double spaced, 1” margins

Please write an autobiographical essay introducing yourself. What are the qualities you feel best describe yourself? What are your academic and personal interests? What goals have you set for yourself for the future?

o **ESSAY ON COMMUNITY** **Essay MUST be typed - Title and number pages**
Maximum of 2 pages, double spaced, 1” margins

Please write an essay that describes your participation in volunteerism, community service, and/or extra-curricular activities. Why was this experience significant to your life? What have you learned about yourself, others, and/or the community?

o **LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION (2)**

Enclose two letters of reference - one from a teacher and one from a non-relative who is familiar with the applicant’s non-school activities (e.g. community representative, employer, coach, mentor, counselor, religious leader, volunteer coordinator, etc.).

o **Signatures of student, and parent(s) or guardian(s)**

Student Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

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MAP OF NORTH PARK

