



Historical Society of Topsail Island

Preserving and Educating The Topsail Area

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Historical Society awards scholarships

TOPSAIL BEACH NC– The Historical Society of Topsail Island presented scholarships April 8, 2021.

Lauren Coursey, Topsail High School (THS) senior, is the first-place winner with her submission *A Digital Painting of Operation Bumble Bee*. Lauren is the daughter of Guy and Jennifer Coursey.

Tied for second and both Pender Early College High School (PECHS) seniors are Taylor Barnhill and Erin Harvey. Taylor submitted a graphite drawing *Wilmington Weldon Railroad* and Erin submitted an Oil Painting *Tower #3*. Taylor is the daughter of Edward and Melissa Barnhill. Erin is the Daughter of Erik and Gloria Harvey.

“Each year the historical society presents scholarships to impressive seniors,” said Albert Meyer, chair of the scholarship/education committee. “This region is abundant with talented and knowledgeable students and we were pleased to honor three students from 16 applicants this year.”

The Historical Society’s annual scholarship luncheon is usually open to the public, however, this year it was only attended by the HSTI Board, Scholars, their parents and guidance counselors from PECHS and THS.

For more information about the Historical Society of Topsail Island visit the website at topsailhistoricalsociety.org or follow them on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

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Pictured l-r: Albert Meyer, Erin Harvey, Lauren Coursey, Taylor Barnhill.