

Annual Slate Belt Heritage Award

Mission Statement: To acknowledge those individuals who have preformed exemplary acts toward promoting and preserving the culture and heritage of the Slate Belt.

- Candidate may be an individual or a group and can be self nominated or by another party .. Board members are excluded from nomination. Notice for available applications will be published via newspapers and web site.
- There will be three (3) categories for inclusion:

1.) **Initiative Award:** Applicant who has shown exemplary actions in promoting and preserving the Slate Belt heritage through **in-kind** action.

2.) **Architectural Award:** Saving or conserving a historic building, place, or artifact where restoration is authentic to preservation.

3.) **Special Focus Award:** Saving or conserving tradition or a body of knowledge: That individual who contributes to educational information via exhibits, documentation, internet, archival, etc.

- Nominations will be accepted in January of each year, with presentation in June. One prize will be awarded with the possibility of one per category depending on committees review of candidates. There will be no requirement or assumption on final determination.
- Nominations should include a description of entry, photos (if applicable), and any pertinent documentation. The Heritage Center retains the right to exhibit and/or publish the application materials, including photographs. Committee will be available for presentation or residence visit of entrant.
- Voting Procedure: Each member of the selection committee will review the applications. Voting is to be secret and attendance is required for voting. Yes votes, on tally sheet, will determine winner. A 2/3 vote is needed for acceptance.
- Award bestowed will be a certificate and free membership to the SBHC, with name being placed on "Heritage Plaque".
- Applications for those not being chosen will be held on file, indefinitely, for future consideration.