Schools, libraries and historical societies participate in our program as Legacy Partners, at no cost, because they provide additional exposure for our Heritage Honor Roll legacy stories by hosting them on their Americans All home page(s). Members of an organization’s clubs and teams can create their own Legacy Partner home pages, at no cost, to host stories of their members.
When our nonprofit People of America Foundation formed Americans All 33 years ago, we provided vetted, diversity-based social studies resources for K-12 schools. The focus on STEM subjects and the lack of required national testing in social studies reduced the classroom time devoted to this discipline and forced us to develop a different way to generate funds to achieve our mission of supporting excellence in social studies instruction.

We now focus on publishing the stories of people who helped shape—and continue to shape—our nation’s history. All generations need to pass on the knowledge they inherit from their families, so children understand their roots, embrace their identity and learn how to relate to others.

Libraries and historical societies specialize in local history and, therefore, are ideal entities to partner with us to collect and share the legacy stories that help define and strengthen their communities. Our education organization registration process for Americans All now also applies to libraries and historical societies. However, because we do not have libraries or historical societies in our education database, they need to register the same way schools not included in our database have need to register. See page 10.

**Registration Notes:**

1. To become a School, Library or Historical Society Legacy Partner and receive a free story for publication on our Heritage Honor Roll, education organizations must first designate a point of contact to set up a free user account.

2. The education organization’s point of contact, serving as an agent for the organization, registers the school, library or historical society for Americans All by using the organization’s e-mail address. We identify our members only by their e-mail address.

3. The organization’s point of contact can also join Americans All and create a legacy story for our Heritage Honor Roll by registering with his or her personal e-mail address.

4. An individual can be the point of contact for more than one education organization.

5. All steps in the registration process for schools also apply to libraries and historical societies.

6. Our program offers many benefits and options, so this tutorial provides images of key pages to help make the registration process easier to navigate.

7. After the group legacy story is created, click on “Create a legacy story in an additional language” on your “Welcome Back” page to begin working on a second story, if desired. Organizations can create as many new stories in a foreign language as they desire. However, because both storytellers are using the same language database, a foreign language cannot be used more than one time.

8. To create a second story in English, select “English” at the top of the list of languages. The template that appears will have the text of the first story. Simply delete the text and add the new text for the second story.

9. After each additional story is created and published, a new link will appear on your “Welcome Back” page, so you can modify the story anytime.

10. Americans All members will find it easy to start creating their life stories. Our template only requires individuals to fill in their name, date of birth and a summary not to exceed 60 words. Additional story text, hyperlinks and photographs can be added over time.
Education Mission of Americans All and Its Social Legacy Network

Americans All advocates multimedia Web-based storytelling to help incorporate legacy preservation into a comprehensive social studies education. Together these stories not only record insights and experiences for family and friends, but also shed light on history’s missing pages. These stories can therefore be a very valuable supplemental resource for social studies instructors who teach history through biographies. Many stories illustrate the role immigrants have played and continue to play in our nation’s growth.

All teachers need access to state-approved, grade-level-specific social studies resources to use in classroom instruction. A social studies education develops critical-thinking skills, and it teaches students how to evaluate different perspectives, assess the validity of evidence, work in groups and apply facts in decision-making. In addition, the study of history and civics imparts knowledge and understanding of why people, communities and nations act the way they do.

Students researching and writing legacy stories about themselves or doing so for others less tech-savvy learn more about the ethnic and cultural groups that make up their community and can volunteer to earn student service-learning credits. Moreover, we invest more than half of our membership revenue to provide inclusive social studies resources (a $500+ value) free to participating schools.

Our nonprofit foundation also enables individuals to inexpensively record and archive their stories—life experiences and lessons learned—through text, photos and videos and in multiple languages. A section of the online story can be password protected, and a shorter version can be printed out in an 8½” x 11” template to share with family and friends. Americans All members will find it easy to start creating their life stories. Our template only requires individuals to fill in their name, date of birth and a summary not to exceed 60 words. Additional story text, hyperlinks and photographs can be added over time.

Legacy stories acknowledge that heritage and culture are rich aspects of personal and group identity and contribute to our nation’s social fabric. The legacy stories are permanently stored and easily accessed on our Web-based Heritage Honor Roll.

We aim to tie the compelling need to preserve legacies with the essential goal of imparting good citizenship skills, thus supporting historian David McCullough’s belief that “history is the story of people.” This dual focus will prepare students to succeed in our nation’s democracy, economy and workforce while promoting long-standing American values of diversity, tolerance and inclusion.
Benefits of Storytelling to Students

Storytelling affords students both academic and personal benefits.

- Stories begin at birth, and legacies are built each time a personal, academic or professional milestone is achieved. Every student has important experiences and lessons learned to share with family, friends and future generations. Creating and publishing a story about themselves helps students develop skills in critical thinking, communicating, researching and, especially, writing—skills needed to help ensure their success in college and/or the workforce.
- By learning to use concise language and enhancing stories with photographs and other media, students can record important events and memories as well as share their pride in their ethnic and cultural identity.
- Publishing a legacy story on our Web-based Heritage Honor Roll ensures the significance of a lifetime will not be forgotten and enables students to have a permanent and an accessible social media presence that truly describes who they are.
- Storytelling can also be a wonderful intergenerational bonding experience that builds empathy, compassion and understanding.
- Students will find it easy to start creating their life stories. Our template only requires individuals to fill in their name, date of birth and a summary not to exceed 60 words. Additional story text, hyperlinks and photographs can be added over time.
- By helping others less skilled in the art of writing and the use of technology to incorporate images and recordings into their legacy stories, a student can earn service-learning credits.
- Helping others create and enhance a story also demonstrates to prospective employers and postsecondary institutions a student’s character and appreciation for how volunteerism benefits a community.

Students joining Americans All get electronic access to our high-quality social studies classroom resources (a $500+ value) to help them complete homework assignments and special projects.

Believing education is a lifelong process, we offer members a free 3-month subscription to our Social Legacy Network to receive even more benefits. After the trial period, the cost is $4 per month to continue receiving additional benefits from Americans All and discounts on goods and services offered by program partners.

Benefits of Storytelling to Education Organizations

Schools, libraries and historical societies join Americans All for free because they reinforce our goals of creating and sharing legacy stories and supporting excellence in social studies instruction. In addition, they can:

- Schools can easily provide opportunities—in many subject areas—for students to create legacy stories, without changing established classroom lesson plans or instructional practices.
- Libraries and historical societies specialize in local history, so we can help them collect and share the legacy stories that help define and strengthen their communities.
- All partners can create a free story on their organization for our Heritage Honor Roll.
- Partners host, on their free Americans All Legacy Partner home page(s), stories from our Heritage Honor Roll about their students, members, staff and associates.
- Americans All allow students to receive credit for a volunteer activity with academic component. [Students do not have to join Americans All to earn service-learning credits.]
To set up a “User Account” as a point of contact, fill in the e-mail address of the school, library or historical society (1) and your first and last names and the organization’s Zip Code (2). Check the CAPTCHA box, click on Submit (3), and follow the steps to continue the registration process.

You will first receive an e-mail asking you to create and confirm your password and then a second e-mail (page 6) describing program benefits.

Americans All members will find it easy to start creating their life stories. Our template only requires individuals to fill in their name, date of birth and a summary not to exceed 60 words. Additional story text, hyperlinks and photographs can be added over time.
Thank you for setting up an Americans All “User Account.” Your personalized “Welcome Back” page contains links to access our benefits. These are a few of your most important options.

- By joining Americans All for a one-time, tax-deductible fee of $49 ($24.50 using a Legacy Partner discount code), you can preserve the memories, experiences and accomplishments of an individual or a group. Legacy stories acknowledge that heritage and culture are rich aspects of personal and group identity and are part of the foundation left for family members and society. The legacy story can be shared forever on our Web-based Heritage Honor Roll and, for more exposure, on the Americans All home pages of our Legacy Partners.

- Schools, students and students’ families participate as lifetime members in Americans All at no cost. Where applicable, students can earn service-learning credits by participating in our program.

- You can become a point of contact for your business, at no cost, so it can register for a nominal fee to better connect with its clients and customers and offer discounts on goods and services.

- You can become a point of contact for your organization, at no cost, so it can become an Americans All Legacy Partner, for free.

- You can become a point of contact for a school, library or historical society, at no cost, so it can become a free Legacy Partner and access our social studies resources, which are being used in more than 2,000 schools and libraries nationwide (a $500+value). The education organization can also use its 5-digit Gift Coupon Code (which it receives after its registration is completed) to create a free legacy story—in multiple languages, if desired—on our Web-based Heritage Honor Roll.

An online legacy story can be created and shared in multiple languages, if desired, and updated at any time. Americans All members will find it easy to start creating their life stories. Our template only requires individuals to fill in their name, date of birth (and passing, if appropriate) and a summary not to exceed 60 words. Legacy story text, hyperlinks, photographs, movies and other audio and video media can be added over time, and a shortened version can be printed on an 8½” x 11” template. To ensure privacy, a section of the story can be password protected. In addition, our secure e-mail tool enables members to communicate event, memorial and anniversary announcements. Americans All members also gain access to our education resources and can subscribe to our Social Legacy Network for only $4 per month after a free, 3-month trial period.

For the monthly fee, Social Legacy Network members and their family can:

- Use membership cards to continue receiving discounts on goods and services and other benefits offered by program partners.
- Electronically access the expanded Americans All collection that includes new ethnic and cultural texts and songs, period-specific posters and photographs, reference texts and grade-level-specific teacher’s guides.
- Electronically access grade-level-specific resource databases with information that supports state history and civics content standards and testing requirements; embedded in the databases are links to strengthen learning opportunities and facilitate interdisciplinary connections.
- Take advantage of professional development opportunities that impart best practices for using these and other resources (e.g., sample lesson plans, simulations and test questions).

Finally, by using a unique storytelling tool to facilitate legacy preservation, enable students to communicate better and help small businesses succeed, our program can continue its mission to support excellence in K–12 social studies instruction. We invest more than half of our membership fees to strengthen history and civics education, so all students are better prepared to participate in our nation’s democracy, economy and workforce.

Any questions? Please contact Americans All.
Your “Welcome Back” page contains links to all program benefits. First, click on “Invite schools, libraries and historical societies” to get Americans All resources for free” (4). **DO NOT CLICK** on “Register for Americans All to create a story” until after you have registered your education organization as a Legacy Partner.

Membership materials can be accessed after an education organization becomes a Legacy Partner (5).

**Allan Kullen**

- Edit my user account
- Download Social Legacy Network membership materials
- Download Legacy Partner Alliance membership materials (5)

**Register for Americans All to create a legacy story for the Heritage Honor Roll**

Get help on creating and enhancing a Heritage Honor Roll legacy story

Join the Social Legacy Network
Join the Legacy Partner Alliance
Add my location to a Business Legacy Partner account
Get help on creating and enhancing a Legacy Partner home page

**Invite schools, libraries and historical societies to get Americans All resources for free** (4)

- Find a school ID Number
- View the Americans All instructional resources
- Access the Homeschool Resource Center
- Gift an Americans All membership
- Invite friends, associates, groups and organizations to learn about Americans All
- View the state- and grade-level-specific

**Heritage Honor Roll Legacy Story**

By joining Americans All for a one-time, tax-deductible $49 lifetime registration fee ($24.50 with a Legacy Partner discount code), members can create and publish a legacy story on an individual or a group and share it forever on our Web-based Heritage Honor Roll. Schools, students and students' families participate as lifetime members in Americans All at no cost. All members receive a free, 3-month trial . . .

**Group, Business or Organization Legacy Partner Home Page(s)**

After designating a point of contact to manage their user account, businesses and nonprofit organizations participate in our program as Legacy Partners. They can generate home page(s)—in multiple languages, if desired—for each location or chapter/district on our Web site to share information about themselves, better connect with their clients and members and demonstrate their commitment . . .

**School, Library or Historical Society Legacy Partner Home Page(s)**

A point of contact is required to act as an agent for a school, library or historical society so he or she can create a free legacy story on the education organization and share it on our Web-based Heritage Honor Roll. The education organization's legacy story can be published in multiple languages, if desired, and can be enhanced through photographs, movies and other audio and video media. Education organization Legacy Partners can access the existing Americans All education resources, including our ethnic and cultural texts, music publication, and period-specific photographs and posters (a $500+ value). They can also create free Americans All Legacy Partner home page(s) on themselves and internal groups to briefly describe their activities and to host legacy stories of past and current students, teachers, members, employees and their families published on our Heritage Honor Roll. An education organization's point of contact can also join Americans All and create a legacy story for our Heritage Honor Roll by registering with his or her personal e-mail address. Moreover, an individual can be the point of contact for more than one organization. We identify our members only by their e-mail address.

**Download Customized Legacy Partner Alliance Membership Materials**

- Click here to download your customized Legacy Partner Alliance membership 4” x 5” poster.
- Click here to download your customized Legacy Partner Alliance membership 5” x 7” poster.
- Click here to download your customized Legacy Partner Alliance membership 8½” x 11” poster.
- Click here to download your customized Legacy Partner Alliance membership 11” x 17” poster.

- Click here to download your customized Legacy Partner Alliance membership card.
Get Social Studies Resources for a School, Library or Historical Society

We support excellence in social studies instruction and promote civic engagement to help ensure all students are prepared to participate in our nation’s democracy, economy and workforce. Our goal is to give all public and private K–12 schools, as well as libraries and historical societies nationwide, free electronic access to existing Americans All program resources. Our resources reflect the importance of diversity in social studies instruction. They provide comparative information about six ethnic and cultural groups who helped build our nation. They also include period-specific photographs and posters; a timeline of historic events; and publications on immigration policy, major ports of entry and the music of earlier immigrants. More than 70 experts developed these materials during the past four decades.

Our foundation invests more than half of its membership fees in strengthening history and civics instruction. To assist schools in registering, we have prepared an education database that includes contact information for most of our nation’s public and private schools; each school is assigned a 6-digit ID Number. If a school is new or has changed its name, instructions are provided for the school to add itself to our education database. Libraries and historical societies register by following the same instructions as schools that are not included in our education database.

To register, each organization must designate a point of contact to serve as its agent by using the organization’s e-mail address. An individual can be the point of contact for more than one organization. The organization’s point of contact can also join Americans All by registering with his or her personal e-mail address to create a legacy story for our Heritage Honor Roll. Information on a point of contact is not shared or published, and we identify our members only by their e-mail address.

Once an organization has been registered for Americans All by its point of contact, the organization will receive an e-mail with a 5-digit code to enable it to create a free legacy story on our Web-based Heritage Honor Roll. In addition, organizations can create free Americans All Legacy Partner home page(s) on our Web site. The home page(s) enable the organization to host legacy stories of individuals and groups affiliated with the organization published on our Heritage Honor Roll.

For greater visibility, the organization’s story can be shared on the Americans All home page(s) of other Legacy Partners. This can be done at any time by clicking on “Edit my legacy story” under the “Action” tab on the organization’s “Welcome Back” page.

Click here if you want to become a point of contact for a school, library or historical society so the organization can access the existing Americans All program resources for free.

Click here to recommend an individual to become a point of contact for a school, library or historical society. This can also be done through a link on your “Welcome Back” page.
If you know your school’s ID Number or need to locate it or to add it to our database, click on the appropriate link under “Schools” (7), and follow the instructions to become the school’s point of contact.

For libraries and historical societies, see page 10.

Add a Point of Contact for My School, Library or Historical Society

A point of contact is required to enable a public or private K–12 school, a library or a historical society to receive free benefits from the Americans All program. For continuity, the point of contact should be a permanent employee. This individual, acting as an agent for the education organization, must first create a free “User Account” for Americans All using the education organization’s e-mail address. This will allow the point of contact to create and update the education organization’s group story on our Web-based Heritage Honor Roll and prepare its free Americans All Legacy Partner home page(s) on our Web site.

Americans All benefits:

▪ A free group legacy story—in multiple languages, if desired—on our Web-based Heritage Honor Roll, including text, photographs, movies and other audio and video media. A 5-digit code will be sent to the point of contact after the education organization is registered.

▪ Links to the education organization’s home page(s) on our Legacy Partner Alliance home page. Education organizations can use their home page(s) to describe their activities and to host stories of past and current students, teachers, employees, members and their families. Each internal group can have its own free Americans All Legacy Partner home page.

▪ Electronic access to the existing Americans All program resources that reflect the importance of diversity in social studies instruction. These include our ethnic and cultural texts, music publication, period-specific photographs and posters.

Schools: (7)

Americans All assigns a 6-digit ID Number for each school in our education database based on its official name in the state’s directory. However, many schools are identified by a shorter or more popular name, such as “Holy Child” for “Francis School of the Holy Child” or “PS 166” for the “Richard Rogers School of Arts & Technology.” To register, there are four options:

▪ If you know your school’s ID Number, enter it into the field below and select “Submit.”

▪ If you do not know your school’s ID Number, click on “Find a School” and a list of all schools in our database will appear. When you locate your school and click on “Select this school,” you will be returned to this page and your school ID Number will appear in the field. Then select “Submit” to continue.

▪ If your public or private school is new or not listed in our contact database, click here to add your school and become its point of contact.

▪ If you want to recommend an individual to become your school’s point of contact, click here.

Libraries and Historical Societies:

Click here to add your library or historical society to our education database and become its point of contact.

Click here if you want to recommend an individual to become the point of contact for your library or historical society.

School ID Number

E-mail address of point of contact

test3@americansall.org
Add a Point of Contact for My School, Library or Historical Society

A point of contact is required to enable a public or private K–12 school, a library or a historical society to receive free benefits from the Americans All program. For continuity, the point of contact should be a permanent employee. This individual, acting as an agent for the education organization, must first create a free “User Account” for Americans All using the education organization’s e-mail address. This will allow the point of contact to create and update the education organization’s group story on our Web-based Heritage Honor Roll and prepare its free Americans All Legacy Partner home page(s) on our Web site.

Americans All benefits:

- A free group legacy story—in multiple languages, if desired—on our Web-based Heritage Honor Roll, including text, photographs, movies and other audio and video media. A 5-digit code will be sent to the point of contact after the education organization is registered.
- Links to the education organization’s home page(s) on our Legacy Partner Alliance home page. Education organizations can use their home page(s) to describe their activities and to host stories of past and current students, teachers, employees, members and their families. Each internal group can have its own free Americans All Legacy Partner home page.
- Electronic access to the existing Americans All program resources that reflect the importance of diversity in social studies instruction. These include our ethnic and cultural texts, music publication, period-specific photographs and posters.

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- If you know your school’s ID Number, enter it into the field below and select “Submit.”
- If you do not know your school’s ID Number, click on “Find a School” and a list of all schools in our database will appear. When you locate your school and click on “Select this school,” you will be returned to this page and your school ID Number will appear in the field. Then select “Submit” to continue.
- If your public or private school is new or not listed in our contact database, click here to add your school and become its point of contact.
- If you want to recommend an individual to become your school’s point of contact, click here.

Libraries and Historical Societies: (8)

Click here to add your library or historical society to our education database and become its point of contact.

Click here if you want to recommend an individual to become the point of contact for your library or historical society.

School ID Number

E-mail address of point of contact
Fill in the required (*) fields (9). The “Education Organization ID Number” (10) will be assigned when this form is completed.
Sample of a Legacy Partner home page. Members can create one for each department or division—in multiple languages, if desired.

Smithville Heritage Society

The Smithville Heritage Society, established in 1975 and located at 602 Main Street, is known locally as the headquarters for Smithville's history. The Society sponsors programs open to the public each year that focus on our area history. In addition, the Museum is open by appointment to visitors including vacationing guests, researchers, historians, and school children—both home-schooled and public school students. The Society enjoys holding open houses at the Museum for civic events and occasionally hosts local organization meetings.

Behind the Heritage Society Museum is a small metal building housing the "Archives." Residing within this climate-controlled structure are archival-safe boxes that hold a treasury of historic documents, photographs, and other historic items. Visitors or residents may obtain research assistance and information about their historic home or business, a family member who lived here and/or worked for the railroad, or a historic event which happened in the Smithville area. The Archives contain early Smithville newspapers, files about citizens, residences, businesses, and organizations such as churches, schools, and clubs. Files are kept not only about Smithville, but also for surrounding towns.

Although we are not able to keep the museum or the Archives open regularly, we are happy to arrange an appointment—whether you want a tour of the house/museum or you'd like to research a family member or a home. Please call Carol Snyder at 214-673-2223 for details. We also accept research requests via mail at Smithville Heritage Society, PO Box 332, Smithville, TX 78957, or via email at smithvilleHeritageSociety@gmail.com and will be delighted to mail the copies of information find in our files.

Legacy Stories from the Americans All Heritage Honor Roll

We are pleased to host and share these legacy stories created by honorees’ family, friends and associates. They, like us, appreciate that heritage and culture are an integral part of our nation's social fabric and want to help students participate effectively in our nation's economy, workforce and democracy.

Search by:  
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Smithville, Texas [Smithville Heritage Society]  
(Sep 1827 - ?) American Town /node/564947
Smithville, just off State Highway 71 and ten miles a of Bastrop in southeastern Bastrop County, was established by Thomas Gazeley, who in 1827 settled near the present site. Gazeley operated a store there until his death in 1853, and the community that sprang up around the store was named Smithville, after William Smith and his family. J. P. Jones and Frank Smith opened a store in the community in 1867 . . .

Read more

Smithville Public Library, TX [Friends of the Smithville Public Library]  
(September 1929 - ?) Public Library /node/564979
At a meeting of the Woman's Club in September of 1929, the germ of an idea to establish a public library was proposed; followed by the search for a location. City officials granted space in the Council Chamber and Court Room for storage of books until a better site was determined. The original donation of books came from the private library of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rodgers of the Upton community.

Read more

www.americansall.org/node/564977
After an organization has designed its point of contact and created its Legacy Partner home page, it will receive an e-mail (11) from Americans All with a 5-digit case-sensitive code so it can create its free story for our Heritage Honor Roll.

AmericansAll site@americansall.org (11)
To Organization

Thank you for becoming a member of Americans All.

Use this 5-digit case-sensitive code SxNGh to create a story on your school, library or historical society and publish it on our Web-based Heritage Honor Roll—in multiple languages if desired. The story can include text, photographs, movies and other audio and video media. You can also create free Americans All Legacy Partner home page(s) on our Web site for your organization and its internal groups. The home page(s) enable the organization to host legacy stories created by individuals and groups affiliated with the organization and published on our Heritage Honor Roll.

For greater visibility, you can also share your organization’s story on Americans All home page(s) of other Legacy Partners. This can be done at any time by clicking on “Edit my legacy story” under the “Actions” tab on the organization’s “Welcome Back” page.

Moreover, as a Legacy Partner, you can give your 6-digit ID Number to students, teachers, associates, employees, members and their families so they can join Americans All and publish a story on our Heritage Honor Roll for free. After they have registered, the story can be completed over time. In addition, they have an option to enroll in the Social Legacy network for discounts on goods and services from business partners and to receive more benefits from Americans All for only $4 per month after a free 3-month trial.
Join Americans All as a Point of Contact for a School, Library or Historical Society

As a thank-you from our nonprofit foundation for supporting our mission, schools, libraries and historical societies receive a 5-digit code when their point of contact registers the education organization, at no cost, for Americans All. This 5-digit code enables the education organization to create a group legacy story and publish it on our Web-based Heritage Honor Roll. The story can include text, photographs, home movies and other video and audio formats. In addition, your story can be updated at any time, retold in multiple languages and printed out in an 8½" x 11" template to share with family, friends and associates. To ensure privacy, part of your legacy story can be password protected. For additional exposure, you can identify Legacy Partners and ask them to host your story on their Americans All home page. Members can also access our education app to listen to music and to view ethnic and cultural texts, music publication, and period-specific photographs and posters—all highlighting the activities of groups who helped our nation grow. In addition, as an Americans All program member, you and your family can gain additional benefits by joining our Social Legacy Network for a small monthly fee.

Family, Group, Business or Organization Legacy Partner Home Page(s)

After designating a point of contact to manage their user account, businesses and nonprofit organizations participate in our program as Legacy Partners. They can generate home page(s)—in multiple languages, if desired—for each location or chapter/district on our Web site to share information about themselves, better connect with their clients and members and demonstrate their commitment to strengthening communities.

School, Library or Historical Society Legacy Partner Home Page(s)

Get help on creating and enhancing a Heritage Honor Roll legacy story

Join the Social Legacy Network
Join the Legacy Partner Alliance
Add my location to a Business Legacy Partner account
Get help on creating and enhancing a Legacy Partner home page
Invite schools, libraries and historical societies to get Americans All resources for free
Find a school ID number
View the Americans All instructional resources
Access the Homeschool Resource Center
Gift an Americans All membership

Heritage Honor Roll Legacy Story

By joining Americans All for a one-time, tax-deductible $49 registration fee ($24.50 with a Legacy Partner Discount Promo code), you can create a legacy story on an individual or a group important to you and share it forever on our Web-based Heritage Honor Roll—in text and through photographs, home movies and other video and audio formats. In addition, your story can be updated at any time, retold in multiple languages and printed out in an 8½" x 11" template to share with family, friends and associates. To ensure privacy, part of your legacy story can be password protected. For additional exposure, you can identify Legacy Partners and ask them to host your story on their Americans All home page. These education organizations can access the existing Americans All resources, including the ethnic and cultural texts, music publication, and period-specific posters and photographs ($500+ value). They can also create and use their free Americans All Legacy Partner home page(s)—in multiple languages, if desired—to describe their activities and those of internal groups and to host legacy stories of current and past students, teachers, members, employees and their families published on our Heritage Honor Roll.

Join Americans All as a Point of Contact for a School, Library or Historical Society

As a thank-you from our nonprofit foundation for supporting our mission, schools, libraries and historical societies receive a 5-digit code when their point of contact registers the education organization, at no cost, for Americans All. This 5-digit code enables the education organization to create a group legacy story and publish it on our Web-based Heritage Honor Roll. The story can include text, photographs, movies and other audio and video media. These education organizations can access the existing Americans All resources, including the ethnic and cultural texts, music publication, and period-specific posters and photographs ($500+ value). They can also create and use their free Americans All Legacy Partner home page(s)—in multiple languages, if desired—to describe their activities and those of internal groups and to host legacy stories of current and past students, teachers, members, employees and their families published on our Heritage Honor Roll.
At “Checkout (14),” insert the 5-digit code (15) and click on (16). Once the code has been “Granted (17),” click on Continue to next step (18).
Your organization is now registered (19) as a Legacy Partner for Americans All and can create and permanently share its story on our Heritage Honor Roll.

Checkout Complete

Your registration confirmation number is 4038 and your Social Legacy Network ID Number is 123456.

Welcome to Americans All

Thank you for registering your education organization school for Americans All. By clicking on the “Create a legacy story for the Heritage Honor Roll” link on your Welcome Back page, now or at any time, you can create and permanently share a story that honors your education organization. Legacy stories acknowledge that heritage and culture are rich aspects of personal or group identity, and they lend future generations knowledge and inspiration. We invest more than half of our membership revenue to support excellence in social studies instruction for all K–12 students. This will help ensure they are prepared to participate in our nation's democracy and increasingly diverse economy and workforce.

Keep in mind that, as a point of contact, you can modify or update the legacy story of your school at any time and at no cost. You can also share this legacy story on the Americans All home pages of other Legacy Partners. To do so, go to your "Welcome Back" page and click on "Edit my legacy story" under the "Actions" tab. If you create the legacy story in multiple languages, you must repeat this step for each version you create.
Click on “Create a legacy story for the Heritage Honor Roll and receive other benefits” (20). When the pop-up appears, select “click here” (21) to continue. Your story can later be created in multiple languages, if desired.
This tutorial provides easy-to-follow, step-by-step instructions.
As a Bicentennial gift and through the generosity of Floyd R. “Skip” Hyson and his wife, Lucille, the newly-organized Smithville Heritage Society received the Cox-Hyson house as a permanent home for the Society in 1976. Built in 1908 for John Cox and his wife, Irene Wilkes Cox, the house was the family home of the John Cox family. Following John’s untimely death in 1916, the house passed to his wife Irene, then their daughter Lillian Cox Hyson in 1952. Upon Lillian’s death in 1976, the house went to her son, “Skip” Hyson, who then donated the house to the Smithville Heritage Society.

The home is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and has remained mostly unchanged since it was built except for minor interior changes and necessary restoration and maintenance work done by the Heritage Society. It sits in exactly the same location as when built. The wraparound porch and tall Ionic columns with decorative corbels remind us of a typical two-story, early 1900s Victorian house, neo-classical in style. It is not “high Victorian,” but “transitional”, characterized by wide verandas and wrap around porches, tall windows, and rooms with pocket doors. A white picket fence once enclosed the property in its early years.

On the first floor, there is a formal entry, parlor, dining room, bathroom, country kitchen and an enclosed porch, once a sleeping porch. The lovely staircase in the formal entry hall has original turned pine balusters and railings and . . .

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Although we are not able to keep the museum or the Archives open regularly, we are happy to arrange an appointment—whether you want a tour of the house/museum or you’d like to research a family member or a home. . . .
The point of contact can access program benefits and edit the organization’s story by using links on the “Welcome Back” page. Both member pages can be easily accessed by adding the unique 6-digit “/node[ID]” (J) to our Web site address: www.americansall.org/node/000000

Welcome Back

Allan Kullen
Edit my user account
Download Social Legacy Network membership materials
Download Legacy Partner Alliance membership materials

Join the Social Legacy Network
Join the Legacy Partner Alliance
Get help on creating and enhancing a Legacy Partner home page
Add my location to a Business Legacy Partner account

Invite schools, libraries and historical societies to get Americans All resources for free
Find a school ID Number
View the Americans All instructional resources

Gift an Americans All membership
Invite friends, associates, groups and organizations to learn about Americans All
View the state- and grade-level-specific resource databases
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Heritage Honor Roll Legacy Story

Subject of Story
Education Organization
English version

Published
Yes

Actions
Edit my legacy story
Create a legacy story in an additional language
Share my legacy story with a Legacy Partner

Group, Business or Organization Legacy Partner Home Page(s)

After designating a point of contact to manage their user account, businesses and nonprofit organizations participate in our program as Legacy Partners. They can generate home page(s)—in multiple languages, if desired—for each location or chapter/district on our Web site to share information about themselves, better connect with their clients and members and demonstrate their commitment to strengthening communities. They can use their home page(s) to host legacy stories published on our Heritage Honor Roll by those important to them, thus providing further exposure for these stories. Business Legacy Partners also share discounts on goods and services with other Legacy Partner and subscribers to our Social Legacy Network.

School, Library or Historical Society Legacy Partner Home Page(s)

Name
Education organization

Published
Yes

Actions
Edit my organization’s home page
Create my organization’s home page in an additional language
Our members can directly add their legacy story to as many Legacy Partner home pages as they desire. However, an organization’s point of contact can remove or reinstate a legacy story from its home page at his or her organization’s discretion.

Education organization Legacy Partners can host Heritage Honor Roll legacy stories of past and current students, teachers, employees, members and their families on the education organization’s Americans All home page(s)—in multiple languages, if desired. If circumstances warrant, however, the education organization can easily remove a story from its home page(s). By clicking on the “Edit” button at the top of your Americans All home page (M), you will be taken to a page to remove or reinstate a legacy story as well as update your Legacy Partner home page.

If your home page is open when a legacy story is added, the page must be refreshed in order for it to appear. Otherwise, it will automatically appear when you log in again.

To remove a story from a Legacy Partner home page, uncheck the box in front of the honoree’s name (N) and click on the “Publish” button. The honoree’s legacy story will remain in the Americans All electronic database, and the honoree’s name will remain on the Legacy Partner’s “Edit” page. The legacy story will not be visible to the public on this home page. A notice of removal will be automatically sent to the creator of the legacy story.

If the legacy story was removed in error and should continue to be included on this home page, place a check in the box in front of the honoree’s name and click on the “Publish” button. A notice of reinstatement will be automatically sent to the creator of the legacy story.
Americans All Social Studies Materials

Standard textbooks used to teach social studies are like encyclopedias in which facts follow facts and no sense of drama or story exists. Students discover that things happened, but rarely is it clear why they happened or whether it mattered. Often the result is that young people tune out the past. We aim to accommodate students’ different interests and learning styles and keep them engaged.

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Music of America’s Peoples

Our CD contains 22 original recordings of historic songs representing diverse ethnic and cultural groups.

The teacher’s guide contains background information and the recordings’ scores and lyrics.