July 31, 2017

Graduate and Undergraduate History, Anthropology, and Geography Students:

The Old Spanish Trail Association would like to extend an opportunity to you to attend our 2017 annual conference in Barstow, California on October July 6-8, 2017 via a $750.00 stipend/scholarship.

Our public history Association has existed for over twenty years and continues a proud tradition and purpose to protect, preserve, and interpret the Old Spanish Trail, including all of its related historic routes and branches, with a primary focus on those portions designated as the Old Spanish National Historic Trail - a part of the federal National Trails System. The historic route known as the Old Spanish Trail was utilized most regularly in the years from 1829 - 1848 for trade between Santa Fe, New Mexico and Los Angeles, California. Multiple routes between these thriving Mexican cities of the 19th century ran through New Mexico, Colorado, Utah, Arizona, Nevada, and California. As mentioned the Association provides public information, education, and interpretation of the Trail, works on Trail planning and management with the federal co-administering agencies of the Trail -- the National Park Service and the Bureau of Land Management, and conducts various historic, anthropological, and other research on the Trail to fulfill the aforementioned efforts. Additional information on the Old Spanish Trail Association can be found at http://www.oldspanishtrail.org/ , and on the Old Spanish National Historic Trail at www.nps.gov/olsp.

Two scholarships will be awarded via application (see attached). The $750.00 award is intended to cover, or defray, estimated costs of three nights lodging at the conference, your travel, and your meals. Conference registration fees will be waived and selected students will also be invited to the conference banquet at no cost. Additional information on conference can be found at: http://www.oldspanishtrail.org/participate/conference/annual_conference.php

We hope you will apply. Applications are due by September 1, 2017 - via e-mail to ostamgr@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

John W. Hiscock
Association Manager