



Family History Essay Contest Winners



Winnipeg, June 30, 2008. The Genealogy Committee of the Manitoba Mennonite Historical Society is pleased to announce the winners of this year's Henry E. Plett Memorial Award for writing a family history. First prize was awarded to **Kathryn Boschmann** (right), a student at Mennonite Collegiate Institute, Gretna, for her paper entitled, "Survival in the 20th Century: The story of my Oma and her family" about the family of Adina Schroeder (1922-) born in the Ukraine and who came to Canada after the Second World War. Second prize was awarded to **Brett Smith** (left), a student at W.C. Miller Collegiate, Altona, for her paper entitled "Grandma Smith" which told the family story of Thelma (Gustafson) Smith (1906-1996), long-time resident of Gretna, Manitoba.

This annual essay contest, open to any Manitoba high school student, aims to promote and encourage research and writing in family history. Competition details can be found on the web at: www.mmhs.org/plett.htm.