

2015 Writers-Editors Network International Writing Competition - WINNERS (HM = Honorable Mention)

SHORT STORY - UNPUBLISHED

- 1st Place - **Jeff Boyle**, Ormond Beach, FL – “Miss Piano”
2nd Place - **Sallie Barr Palmer**, Largo, FL – “The Cloak of Invisibility”
3rd Place - **Alicia Stankay**, Ambridge, PA – “Blueberry Muffins”

- 1st HM - **Jan Evans**, Toccoa, GA – “Come to the River,” a parable
2nd HM - **Geraldine Bass**, Olathe, KS – “Murder”
3rd HM - **K. A. McLaughlin**, La Mesa, CA – “The Latch,” a fantasy
4th HM - **Alice Grant Bingner**, Ann Arbor, MI – “In This Case, Wrong Is Right”
5th HM - **Belva Green**, Tarpon Springs, FL and Holmen, WI – “The Incident of the Naughty Noodles”

NOTABLE

Sandy K. Jordan, Neosho, MO – “The Mother’s Legacy”

NOVEL CHAPTER - UNPUBLISHED

- 1st Place - **Jeff Boyle**, Ormond Beach, FL – *Nam World*, Chapter 1, “Nine Eleven”
2nd Place - **Nancy Burke**, Evanston, IL – *Undergrowth*, Chapter LVII
3rd Place - **Heather Hamel**, Elkton, FL – *Western Promise*, Chapter 1

- 1st HM - **Anne Nichols Reynolds**, Lake Placid, FL – *A Will of Her Own*, Chapter One
2nd HM - **Liz Marshall**, Phoenix, AZ – *Seeing Eye – A day at the fair*, Chapter One: Nine of Swords: “The Vision”
3rd HM - **Jeff Boyle**, Ormond Beach, FL – *Nam World*, Chapter 10, “VA Counseling”
4th HM - **Nancy Burke**, Evanston, IL – *Undergrowth*, Chapter XIII
5th HM - **Lucinda Waldron**, Bell, FL – *Mosquito County*, Chapter 1

NOTABLES (alphabetical by author)

- Courtney Allen**, Decatur, GA – *Down From the Mountain*, Prologue, Part One
Courtney Allen, Decatur, GA – *Down From the Mountain*, Chapter Five
Jeff Boyle, Ormond Beach, FL – *Nam World*, Chapter 34, “Bad Blood”
Carol MacAllister, Boqueron, PR – *Evening Star*, Chapter 30
Sandra Matuschka, Tiverton, RI – *Anne*, Chapter One
Carol J. Perry, Madeira Beach, FL – *Hurricane Season*, Chapter One
Anne Nichols Reynolds, Lake Placid, FL – *Winter Harvest*, Chapter One
Kate Ruland-Thorne, Grand Junction, CO – *I Married Adventure: A Novel Based on the Memoir of a Palestinian Jew*, “Two – Kilindini Harbor, Mombassa, Kenya, 1941”

CHILDREN’S LITERATURE

- 1st Place - **June Estep Fiorelli**, Sarasota, FL – “Celebrating the Fourth,” poem
2nd Place - **Ingrid Silvian**, Groveport, OH – “The Piano Tuner’s Daughter,” short story for 8- to 12-year-olds
3rd Place - **Barbara Beard**, Pickering, Ontario – *Too Much Trouble*, picture book for 4- to 8-year-old readers

- 1st HM - **Julie Pavelich**, North Royalton, OH – “Joy at the Fair,” short story, K–grade 4
2nd HM - **June Estep Fiorelli**, Sarasota, FL – “Dear Santa, All I Want...,” poem, ages 4–8
3rd HM - **Juliana M. Jones**, Daniels, WV – “The Final Segment,” novel chapter, ages 8–12
4th HM - **Belva Green**, Tarpon Springs, FL and Holmen, WI – “The Coat,” short story
5th HM - **Karen B. Kurtz**, Fairhope, AL – “Sophia’s Gift,” picture book, ages 4–8

NOTABLES (alphabetical by author)

- Theresa Gage**, Auburn, WA – “Hooked,” short story, 10-year-old readers
Randi Lynn Mrvos, Lexington, KY – “Totally, Completely, Perfectly Me,” short story, ages 4–6

PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED NONFICTION ARTICLE/ESSAY/BOOK CHAPTER

- 1st Place - **Paul Fein**, Agawam, MA – “Beauty of Federer”
2nd Place - **Linda Zajac**, Vernon, CT – “Guardians of the Forest”
3rd Place - **Dorothy Pedersen**, Orangeville, Ontario – “Three Diamond Sparrow”

- 1st HM - **Alice Grant Bingner**, Ann Arbor, MI – “Legally Blind Nun Leads Fated Invasion”
2nd HM - **Karen B. Kurtz**, Fairhope, AL – “Comfort and Sanctuary: Dolls Along the Underground Railroad”
3rd HM - **Linda Zajac**, Vernon, CT – “Searching for Monkeys”
4th HM - **Anne Nichols Reynolds**, Lake Placid, FL – “Surviving Hezekiah’s Tunnel”
5th HM - **Jean Powis**, Troy, NY – “She Dared to be Different”

NOTABLES (alphabetical by author)

- Alessandra Bianchi**, Marblehead, MA – “Into the Backcountry...and Back”
Paul Fein, Agawam, MA – “Why the Strike Zone Is So Important in Tennis”
Paul Fein, Agawam, MA – “In a Spin”
Roberta Sandler, Lake Worth, FL – “First in Flight: Where Babe hit his first home run”

UNPUBLISHED NONFICTION ARTICLE/ESSAY/BOOK CHAPTER

- 1ST Place - **Lily Beck**, Asheville, NC – “Run With Me”
2nd Place - **Nancy Summersong**, Frenchville, ME – “The Voices of My Ancestors”
3rd Place - **Laurie Glieco**, Buffalo, NY – “Grandma’s Groceries”

- 1st HM - **Alice Grant Bingner**, Ann Arbor, MI – “Is Prehistoric Site in Peril?”
2nd HM - **Cindy Pontrelli**, Green Cove Springs, FL – “Take A Dive Into History”
3rd HM - **Jane Lael**, Chapel Hill, NC – “Psychic Surgeon”
4th HM - **Patricia Crandall**, Petersburg, NY – “A Witch-Link to Salem, Massachusetts”
5th HM - **Myrna Gordon Skurnick**, Boca Raton, FL – “September 3, 1939”

NOTABLES (alphabetical by author)

- Laurie Glieco**, Buffalo, NY – “Permanent Quarters”
Bethanie Baker Henderson, Hatfield, PA – “Crawling through Parenthood”
Diann MacRae, Bothell, WA – “Chronicles Of The Jet Set”

POETRY

- 1st Place - **Joyce Shiver**, Crystal River, FL – “The Lonely Beach,” Shakespearean sonnet
2nd Place - **Connie Golden**, Duanesburg, NY – “Dolphin Beach after Sandy,” free verse
3rd Place - **Bruce L. Reynolds**, Potomac, MD – “Reluctance,” free verse

- 1st HM - **George Rhoades**, Duncan, OK – “Don’t Cry, Juanita,” free verse
2nd HM - **Dorothy K. Fletcher**, Jacksonville, FL – “Blessing the Cats,” free verse
3rd HM - **Carol Ann Castagna**, North Port, FL – “Listen to the Quiet,” free verse
4th HM - **Patricia Callan**, Newton, MA – “Razed: a Rondel,” rondel
5th HM - **Nancy Burke**, Evanston, IL – “Icons,” free verse

NOTABLES (alphabetical by author)

- Connie Golden**, Duanesburg, NY – “View from the Train after Twenty Years,” traditional quatrains
Leslie P. Groves, McPherson, KS – “When On That Wintry Morning,” traditional quatrains
Joyce Shiver, Crystal River, FL – “The Ghost of Martha Linn,” villanelle
Lisa L. Walker, Holland, MI – “Ordinary Holy,” free verse

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