

2022 CREATIVE WRITING CONTEST

1. This contest is open to both Grange members and non-members. Non-members must be sponsored by a subordinate Grange. Remember we no longer have categories for younger than 14 years old.
2. All entries must be either typed or neatly written in ink on 8 ½" x 11" paper. Illegible entries will be disqualified.
3. The following should be placed on the top right corner on the front of the entry: Name of entrant, Grange name and number, and Group/Class entered.
4. The Poetry Topic for 2022 is "Parent(s)". There is no word limit.
5. The Short Story Topic for 2022 is "My Favorite Outdoor Activity". The maximum length is 1000 words. Your short story/anecdote should entertain the reader.
6. The Essay Topic for 2022 is "Why Grange Is Important Today". The maximum length is 1000 words. Your essay should provide information for the reader.
7. All entries must be post marked by April 15th and sent to: Leslie Jo Wells, State Lecturer, 18232 201st Ave SE, Monroe, WA 98272.
8. Judging criteria: a team of judges will evaluate each entry using the following criteria: Originality and Organization; Adherence to Topic and Contest Rules; and grammar, spelling, punctuation, and neatness.
9. Prizes: All entries will receive blue, red and green ribbons. First, second, and third place in each class will receive rosettes. Cash prizes will be awarded as listed below.
10. Creative writing books, with selected entries printed, will be available at the State Grange Convention. Cost of the book will depend on the number of entries.

Group A – Adults, age 20 and over

The Best of Show entry in this group will receive \$50 and the 2nd Best of Show entry in this group will receive \$25

A-1 – Poetry – Metered

A-2 – Poetry – Free Verse

A-3 – Short Story

A-4 – Essay

Group B – Youth, ages 14-19

The Best of Show entry in this group will receive \$50 and the 2nd Best of Show entry in this group will receive \$25

B-1 – Poetry – Metered

B-2 – Poetry – Free Verse

B.3 – Short Story

B-4 – Essay