

# Junior Woman's Club of Verona Creative Writing Contest

Grades 6, 7, and 8

**Contest Entries Due on December 16<sup>th</sup>**



Entries should be mailed to:

Junior Woman's Club of Verona, PO Box 91, Verona, NJ 07044

## What is the contest?

Students may enter one SHORT STORY, any genre, up to 2000 words.

## Prizes:

First Place Winner will receive a \$50 Barnes and Noble gift certificate, and Second and Third Place Winners will each receive a \$25 gift certificate. The First Place Winner will be sent for judging in the New Jersey State Woman's Clubs Youth Short Story contest.

## Rules for the contest:

1. No entries will be considered if postmarked after December 16<sup>th</sup>.
2. Students must be in grades 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, or 8<sup>th</sup>, and enrolled in a Verona school or live in Verona to be considered.
3. Entries must include a completed entry form, stapled to the story.
4. Authors must be amateurs with earnings from writing not exceeding \$500 annually.
5. Entries must be written between January 1, 2016 and December 16, 2016, and may not have been published prior to the competition.
6. Entries must be typed, double-spaced, printed on one side only, with minimum margins of 1 inch on all four sides, and on 8 ½ inches x 11 inches paper. A word count is required at the end of the story. Do not put identifying information (name, grade) on the story. That information should be on the cover page only.
7. Manuscripts must be an original work by the author.
8. All entries are judged on content, organization, and form. Decision of the judges is FINAL. Winners will be notified by January 31, 2017.
9. If selected, a release form must accompany the winning entry, to be signed by the author's parent or guardian, in order to enter the State competition. The winner will need to provide an additional copy of their story for submission.
10. Manuscripts will not be returned. Authors should retain a copy.

**Junior Woman's Club of Verona  
Creative Writing Contest – 2016**



**Entry Form**

**Student's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student's Home Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Student's Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student's Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student's Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student's School:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student's Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian's Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_