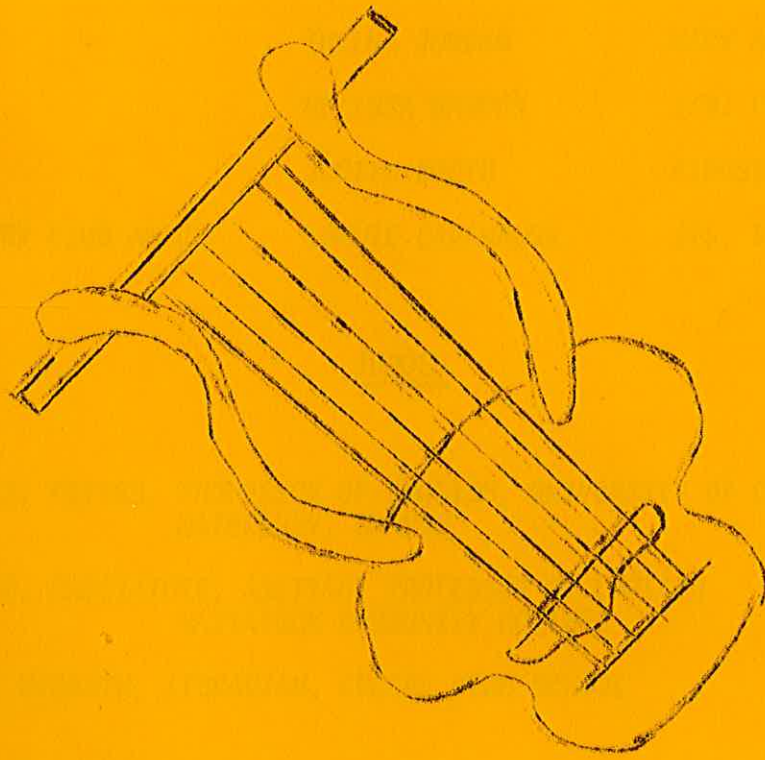


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WINNERS

KINDERGARTEN	ROBERT MELCHIONNA	ANDERSON SCHOOL
GRADE 1	THOMAS KREIDEL	REGAN SCHOOL
GRADE 2	LORYN LINDQUIST	CARRINGTON SCHOOL
GRADE 3	MICHELLE TETREULT	STS. PETER & PAUL SCHOOL
GRADE 4	BILLY NEMEC	GILMARTIN SCHOOL
GRADE 5	DAWN GREGORY	CHASE SCHOOL
GRADE 6	THELMA JORDAN	MARY ABBOTT SCHOOL
GRADE 7	MELISSA MANDOS	STS. PETER & PAUL SCHOOL
GRADE 8	JUDITH BOOTH	KINGSBURY SCHOOL
SPECIAL POETRY CLUB AWARD	LONNIE CAVANAUGH	STS. PETER & PAUL SCHOOL

JUDGES

DR. LEONARD J. PETERS, PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH, UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT
WATERBURY, BRANCH

DR. RAYMOND G. CACCIATORE, ASSITANT PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH
MATTATUCK COMMUNITY COLLEGE

MS. MARGARET MCGRATH, LIBRARIAN, CROSBY HIGH SCHOOL

AWARDS PRESENTATION

TUESDAY, JUNE 15TH, 3:30 P.M.

LIBRARY AUDITORIUM

FILMS WILL BE SHOWN

AWARD WINNING POEMS

KINDERGARTEN - POEM ABOUT TOYS (OR THEIR CHOICE OF TOPICS)

MY TRUCK IS RED.
THAT'S WHAT I SAID!
IT RAN INTO SOME BREAD,
OUT IN THE SHED.

ROBERT MELCHIONNA - ANDERSON SCHOOL

GRADE 1 - POEM ABOUT NOISES

NOISES ARE SPOOKY
NOISES ARE KOOKY
NOISES ARE FROM
TOY'S AND BOY'S

THOMAS KREIDEL - REGAN SCHOOL

GRADE 2 - POEM ABOUT SCHOOL

SCHOOL

I GO TO SCHOOL EVERYDAY
TO LEARN TO WRITE, TO READ, AND TO PLAY.
STUDY HARD BUT HAVE SOME FUN
SCHOOL IS GOOD FOR EVERYONE
WE GO TO SCHOOL TO LEARN THINGS NEW
DON'T YOU THINK SCHOOL IS GREAT FOR ME AND YOU?

LORYN LINDQUIST - CARRINGTON SCHOOL

GRADE 3 - POEM ABOUT ANIMALS

A BIRD TALK

THINK, SAID THE ROBIN,
THINK SAID THE JAY,
AREN'T PEOPLE FUNNY THE WAY THEY GROW?
THEY, DON'T EAT BIRDSEEDS
THEY, DON'T EAT WORMS
THEY DON'T SIT ON WIRES
THEY DON'T FLY IN THE SKY
THEY DON'T LAY EGGS
AND I WONDER WHY THEY DON'T LOOK LIKE US.

MICHELLE TETREAUULT - STS. PETER & PAUL SCHOOL

GRADE 4 - POEM ABOUT FLOWERS

CROCUS

HOKUS, POCUS, OUT
POPS THE CROCUS
SO TINY AND SMALL.
NOT IN THE WINTER,
NOT IN THE FALL,
BUT IN THE SPRING
WITH A LITTLE CLING
OUT COMES THE CROCUS
FLOWER AND ALL

BILLY NEMEC - GILMARTIN SCHOOL

GRADE 5 - POEM ABOUT SEASONS OR A SEASON

SUMMER

I LIKE SUMMER REALLY A LOT
I LIKE SUMMER BECAUSE IT IS HOT
I LIKE SUMMER AS IT COMES EVERY YEAR
THE PROBLEM IS I CAN'T WAIT TILL IT'S HERE

AND WHEN THE WEATHER IS REALLY WARM
I CROSS MY FINGERS THERE WON'T BE A STORM
SUMMER IS REALLY OF MEANING TO ME
WHETHER I'M JUMPING OR SWIMMING OR CLIMBING A TREE

DAWN GREGORY - CHASE SCHOOL

GRADE 6 - POEM ABOUT WHAT I LIKE TO BE

WHAT I'D LIKE TO BE

I'D LIKE TO BE A QUEEN
A QUEEN, A QUEEN I'LL BE

I WILL RULE THE COUNTRY
WHEN DAYS ARE SUNNY

I WILL HAVE SOME GUARDS
TO BYE A BOX OF LARD

AND HAVE SOME GOLD
AND THROW AWAY THE MOLD

THELMA JORDAN- MARY ABBOTT SCHOOL

GRADE 7 - POEM ABOUT GEORGE WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON IS RELIEVED

ONE DAY IN HEAVEN

BEFORE AN ASSEMBLY OF SEVEN,

GEORGE WASHINGTON CAME

AND YOU COULD SEE ON HIS FACE WAS HURT AND BLAME.

"WHAT'S TROUBLING YOU GEORGE?" THEY ALL ASKED, EXCEPT FOR GOD

WHO CAUGHT ON FASTER

BECAUSE OF COURSE HE WAS THE MASTER.

WASHINGTON SAID, "WHEN I LOOK DOWN ON AMERICA FROM HERE

IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE I ONCE WAS PRESIDENT THERE.

WHEN I THREW A SILVER DOLLAR ACROSS THE POTOMAC IT WAS BLUE.

NOW IT HAS A VERY UGLY HUE.

WHEN YOU LOOK UP IN THE SKY

IT'S ALL BLACK WITH DIRT AND I WANT TO KNOW WHY.

IT JUST SEEMS LIKE 200 YEARS AGO

WHEN THERE WAS NO CRIME, AND I LIVED BACK THEN SO I KNOW.

THOSE 13 COLONIES TURNED TO 50

MUST LEARN THAT WITH MONEY YOU MUST BE THRIFTY.

DOESN'T ANYBODY FOLLOW THE LAWS WE SET UP AS RULES?

DON'T THEY TEACH HONESTY AND BROTHERHOOD IN THE HOME AND SCHOOLS?

THEN GOD SPOKE AND SAID, "GEORGE, DON'T WORRY ABOUT THE U.S.A.

THEY'LL GET THEMSELVES OUT OF THIS JAM SOME DAY.

NEVER GIVE UP HOPE.

I'M SURE THE CITIZENS WILL COPE."

GEORGE WAS GRIEVING

BUT THE WORDS OF THE LORD WERE RELIEVING

MELISSA MANDOS - STS. PETER & PAUL SCHOOL

GRADE 8 - POEM ABOUT AN EVENT IN AMERICAN HISTORY

HAPPY BIRTHDAY U.S.A.!

IT IS GREAT TO RECALL WAYBACK WHEN.
AMERICA WAS YOUNG AND STRONG TO NO END.
TWO HUNDRED YEARS HAVE PASSED, SINCE THAT DAY.
SO EVERY WOMAN, MAN, CHILD WILL CELEBRATE IN HIS OWN WAY.

WITH STRAINED IDEAS, THINGS WERE ROUGH.
MAN'S COURAGE PROVED HE WAS TOUGH.
TIMES WERE HARD IN THE COLONIAL YEARS.
BUT AMERICANS STUCK THROUGH STRIFE AND FEARS.

AS TIMES ROLLED BY SINCE 1776.
AMERICANS BECAME PROUD OF THEIR HERITAGE.
I FOR ONE AM PROUD TO SAY
HAPPY, HAPPY BIRTHDAY U.S.A.

JUDITH BOOTH - KINGSBURY SCHOOL

SPECIAL POETRY CLUB AWARD

THIS IS A RYME,
THAT GOES BACK IN TIME.

OF A FAMOUS CALL,
IN HISTORY'S HALL

OF A FAMOUS RIDE,
THROUGH THE COUNTRY SIDE.

AND WHEN I JUMPED ON MY HORSE,
THAT BECAME REVELUTIONARY SOURCE

MY NAME WILL STILL DRAW NEAR
YOU KNOW ME I'M PAUL REVERE

LONNIE CAVANAUGH - STS. PETER & PAUL
GRADE 6