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Writing Competition Awards Reception

(Agawam, Mass.) The Agawam Cultural Council will hold a reception to celebrate and honor winners of the 5th Annual Writing Competition on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the Community Room at the Agawam Public Library. Winners in all categories that qualified for judging will share their work for the audience's enjoyment. Various dignitaries have been invited to hear and celebrate these talented members of our community. Light refreshments will be served after the presentation. The Agawam Cultural Council is pleased to afford the opportunity to all writers in the Town of Agawam in hopes of encouraging a lifelong love of the written word.

The Agawam Cultural Council is sponsoring this event as part of its ***Give Back to the Community Program***. The event is open to the public.

Awards will be given to the following:

Grades K-2 Written Paragraph or Art Poster Category, Topic: Your favorite book character

1st Place \$50 - Corabella Johnson, Written Paragraph, Grade 2

2nd Place \$25 - Emma LaCresse, Written Paragraph, Grade 2

3rd Place \$15 - Caleb Kendrick, Art Poster, Kindergarten

Grade 3 Composition, Topic: How would you convince your parents to buy you a pet?

1st Place \$50 - Ryan Stairs

2nd Place \$25 - Brianna Anderson

3rd Place \$15 - Olivia Gryszowka

Grade 4 Poetry Category, Topic: A poem about your favorite activity

1st Place \$50 - Hana Ahmed

2nd Place \$25 - Genevieve Charette

3rd Place \$15 - Zoe Hartmann

Grades 5-6 Composition Category, Topic: Your favorite famous person, past or present

1st Place \$50 - Domenic Vecchiarelli, Person: Jackie Robinson, Grade 5

2nd Place \$25 - Innessa Schneider, Person: Martha Washington, Grade 6

3rd Place \$15 - Dayne Gottier, Person: Malala Yousafzai, Grade 5

Grades 7-8 Composition Category, Topic: What makes you happy?

1st Place \$50 - Kayla Herlihy, Grade 8

2nd Place \$25 - Isabella Dimino, Grade 7

3rd Place \$15 - Gianna Yacovone, Grade 7

Insufficient entries were received from the High School Category for judging.

The Agawam Public Library is located at 750 Cooper Street in Agawam, Massachusetts and can be reached by phone at (413) 789-1550.

The Agawam Cultural Council is an all-volunteer local partner of the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency, and is funded, in part, by the MCC. The ACC is charged with bringing engaging, entertaining, and educational events and opportunities in the arts, humanities, and sciences, to children and adults from Agawam and the surrounding communities.