

FRIENDS OF FICTIONAL CHARACTERS POETRY CONTEST

Sponsored by the Friends of the Westhampton Free Library, serving Westhampton Beach, Westhampton, East Moriches, Eastport, East Quogue, Manorville, Quogue, Remsenburg, Speonk

The contest is open to children enrolled in the community schools and will be judged in four categories:

- Kindergarten—Grade 2
- Grades 3—6
- Grades 7—9
- Grades 10—12

A winner from each category will receive a cash prize of \$50.00; 2nd place, \$25.00; honorable mention, \$10.00. All entrants will receive a certificate of appreciation. Winning and selected poems will be published in upcoming issue(s) of the Library's newsletter.

The contest theme is *FRIENDS OF FICTIONAL CHARACTERS*. Who's your favorite story or novel character? Did he or she inspire you? Make you laugh or cry? Change the way you think or behave? Share your reading adventure with us! Up to three original poems may be submitted, not to exceed 32 lines each. Each should be identified with the student's name, address, phone number, grade, and school. Submissions should be postmarked no later than **March 14, 2012**, and must be accompanied by a signed entry form (below) and mailed to :

Friends of the Westhampton Free Library/ ATTN: Poetry/ POBox 318/ Westhampton, NY 11977

Winners will be announced the first week of April. A party/poetry reading will be hosted by
The Westhampton Free Library, Spring 2012, date TBA

FRIENDS OF FICTIONAL CHARACTERS ENTRY FORM (REQUIRED)

I hereby grant the Friends of the Westhampton Free Library permission to publish my child's submitted work(s), with the understanding that it(they) will include my child's name as its(their) creator.

parent or guardian's signature

date

FRIENDS CONTRIBUTION FORM (OPTIONAL)

There is no entry fee to enter the poetry contest.

A contribution in any amount would be greatly appreciated. All proceeds will be used to help fund the contest and the Library's enrichment programs. Please make checks payable to Friends of the Westhampton Free Library. Thank you!

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

E-mail: _____

Additional copies of this notice, as well as Friends membership forms, may be obtained from the Library or its website: westhamptonfreelibrary.com