

Essay & Poster Contests/School Assemblies

Fourth and fifth grade students in the Greenwood (Millerstown, PA) and Newport (Newport, PA) elementary schools were busy throughout the winter writing and drawing to get their entries ready for the annual *Essay & Poster Contests* sponsored in their school by the local Perry Valley Grange. The purpose of this program is to raise awareness about safety issues among students and community. The Grange has sponsored this contest in both school districts for many years.

The theme for both contests in 2011 was ***“If I Become Deaf Today, What Would My Tomorrow Be Like”***. Student participants were encouraged to use their imagination to describe in their essay or show in a poster how their life would be changed if they became deaf and how they would adjust to/cope with their loss of hearing.



Greenwood Essay Contestants - 2011



Greenwood Poster Contestants - 2011



Newport Essay Contestants - 2011



Newport Poster Contestants - 2011

There was a total of 128 entries (71 posters and 57 essays) competing for awards in 2011. The Grange provided cash awards of \$50 - first place, \$30 - second and \$20 - third in each contest in each school (total of \$400).

Award Presentations at Greenwood



Poster Contest Winners (Greenwood)

- 1st – Nathan Barnhart, Liverpool
- 2nd – Paityn Wirth, Thompsontown
- 3rd – Mallory Kauffman, Millerstown



Essay Contest Winners (Greenwood)

- 1st – Paityn Wirth, Thompsontown
- 2nd – Ryan Gish, Millerstown
- 3rd – Jayden Busfield, Millerstown

Award Presentations at Newport



Poster Contest Winners (Newport)

- 1st – Brooke Kline, Newport
- 2nd – Jozie Brajkovich, Newport
- 3rd – Emily Burd, Newport



Essay Contest Winners (Newport)

- 1st – Justin Barlup, Newport
- 2nd – Shelby Anderson, Newport
- 3rd – Warner Hockenberry, Newport

School Assembly Programs – March 25, 2011

Skit & Audiologist Presentation

An awards assembly was held in each school on Friday, March 25, 2011. Becky Enney of Camp Hill and Margy Fox of Harrisburg wrote and presented a puppet show in which one of the characters Mrs. Potato Head was having trouble with her hearing. A trip to the audiologist and a hearing test revealed the need for a new, stronger hearing aid.



Pinnacle Health Systems audiologist Lori Lieman spoke to the students about protection of their hearing, showed different kinds of hearing aids and answer many questions.

