

Contests (cont.)....

5. **Weird AI Contest Award** – Song parody. Write new words (humorous or serious) to the tune of either “Dixie” or “White Christmas.” Must scan musically. *Sponsor: Dorothy Hatfield*

6. **Just A Minute** – A minute poem. Subject: Any. *Sponsor: Gin Creek Poets*
<http://shadowpoetry.com/resources/wip/minute.html>

7. **What the He** is a Villanelle? Award** - Villanelle, any subject. <https://www.poets.org/poetsorg/text/villanelle-poetic-form> *Sponsored by Gayle Glass.*

8. **Home Sweet Home** – Free verse poem, 24 lines max. Subject – Home. *Sponsor: Kim Vernon*

9. **Five Word Contest**– Prose, any genre. Must include these 5 words in text: temper, azure, sailboat, countrified, and peppermint. Must be “family-friendly.” 950-1000 words. *Sponsor: Penpoint Writers Group.*

10. **Del Garrett's Gimme the Creeps Award** – Psychological Horror. Twilight Zone short story. 1500 words max. Indicate if you agree to being published. (no extra pay) *Sponsor: Del Garrett*

11. **The Gary R. Hoffman Award** –From Okeechobee, FL, Gary has won awards in many different genres at WCCW’s Annual Writers Conference for over 10 years, yet we know nothing more about him. Witness protection program? Alias? Use your imagination and write a fictional autobiography of Gary R. Hoffman. 1500 word max. Gary and the Okeechobee Writers Club, you have to sit this one out! *Sponsored by W.E.B. Enterprises and Glassworks, Ink.*

12. **Erdel Family Award** - Humorous short story or memoir. 2500 word max. *Sponsor: Ellen Withers.*

13. **Whodunnit? Award:** Short story about a damsel in distress set primarily outdoors (E.g., beach, mountains, forest, etc.). Who is trying to harm her & why? Can she save herself? Will she be rescued by a dashing hero? Or? 2500 wd max. No erotica or profanity. *Sponsor: Gary Breezeel.*

14. **Lovepat Press Award** - Haiku sequence: modern or traditional. 15 line limit. \$25; \$15; \$10; \$5, \$5, \$5. (3 HM’s awarded) *Sponsor: Pat Laster.*

15. **The Rest is History**- What if a major historical event had happened differently? 1500 word max. *Sponsor: Gary Rodgers.*

16. **Treasure Hunt** – Provide clues and solution for a St. Patrick’s Day treasure hunt at a celebration weekend. 2000 word max. *Sponsor: Brenda Iannacone*

17. **That’s Life Award** – Couple must meet, have a falling out, and reconcile in 800 words or less. *Sponsor: RobertsFamilyArk.*

18. **Take Five** – Cinquain poem. Subject: Any. *Sponsor: Rhonda Roberts & Kim Vernon*

19. **River Poets Award** - Double Etheree poem. Subject: Woman’s work. 20 lines.
<http://shadowpoetry.com/resources/wip/etheree.html>
Sponsor: River Poets of Batesville

Open to Arkansas residents only

20. **Southern Story Award** - Short Story, any genre, 2000 words max. Create your best “Southern tale.” (Awards \$50/\$30/\$20.) *Sponsor: Madelyn F. Young.* (Following the conference, Madelyn will return a copy of your story with a full critique for a \$5 fee. Contact her at rdymfy@suddenlink.net after the conference.)

Deadline to postmark contest entries July 28, 2017

For questions about contests or contest regulations, call (501) 580-0477, or e-mail to kimber.vernon@gmail.com

Contest Regulations

1. **Conference registration does not include contest fees.** Contest fees of \$5.00 for the first entry and \$3.00 for each additional entry thereafter must be mailed on or before **July 28, 2017.** Total your entry fees and make one check payable to White County Creative Writers. **Mail entries and fees to Dot Hatfield, 802 W. Center, Beebe, AR 72012.** No fees returned. Winners not attending will be notified by mail one week after the conference.
2. WCCW is not responsible for manuscripts lost, delayed, or received too late for judging. Do not send SASE: No entries will be returned. **Entries will be destroyed two weeks after conference.**
3. Only one typed, unpublished manuscript may be entered in each contest. Double-space prose; poetry may be double- or single-spaced. Use standard manuscript form – (see www.whitecountyc creativewriters.org)
4. No entry may be entered in more than one contest. No one may enter the contest for which he or she serves as sponsor, chairman, or judge. Noncompliance with ANY rules will result in a disqualified entry.
5. Put contest number and name of award in upper left corner of each manuscript. **Show word/line count in upper right corner per several judges' requests.** Do not put your name on the manuscript. Attach a cover sheet to each manuscript with (a) number and name of contest, (b) title of entry, (c) first line of entry, and (d) your name, mailing address, and telephone number.
6. Prizes and other considerations: All awards \$25/\$15/\$10 unless otherwise noted. Contest #20 is for Arkansas Residents only. HM's awarded at judges' discretion.

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