

NATIONAL WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, INC.

NATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST

ESSAY THEME:

LOVE OF COUNTRY, LOVE OF FLAG, AND WHAT IT MEANS TO ME

The Essay Contest is open to all 7th, 8th, and 9th grade students.

Students may send their essay directly to the National Patriotic Instructor (see address below) or give it to any member of the Woman's Relief Corps.

The Rules that apply to the contest are as follows:

1. The essay must have at least 400 words, and no more than 550 (Word Count should be written on the bottom right corner of last page);
2. Each essay must be handwritten in ink or typewritten double-spaced. Neatness and penmanship will be considered in judging the essays;
3. Essays must be in the contestant's own words. No copyrighted material is allowed;
4. Essays are to be sent to the National Patriotic Instructor for judging postmarked no later than July 10, 2010; and
5. All essays also must include the following:
 - A. Signature of the student,
 - B. Printed student's name,
 - C. Name of the school he/she attends,
 - D. Age and grade of the student,
 - E. Home address, and
 - G. Contact information (email address and telephone number).

Essay postmark deadline is July 10, 2010

The winning essays will be selected at the National Convention in August 2010.

Three prizes will be awarded:

1st prize - \$50.00

2nd prize - \$25.00

3rd prize - \$15.00

Essays are to be sent to:

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