



MILLBRAE LIONS CLUB YOUTH WEEK

April 15, 2012 through April 21, 2012

THE MILLBRAE LIONS CLUB has begun work on the **52nd ANNUAL YOUTH WEEK PROJECT**. We encourage you to participate. An essay contest is one of the activities offered.

The **RULES** of the **ESSAY CONTEST** are as follows:

1. Essays must have a title.
2. Essays must be 500 words or less (not counting “a, an, the, nor, or, but, yet, so, for, and”), typed *double spaced*, or handwritten *in pen* by the student.
3. **DO NOT SIGN or put your name on the essay.**
4. **On a separate piece of paper, LEGIBLY PRINT** your name, mailing address, phone number, school, English teacher and your grade. Staple this paper behind the essay.
5. **Write your essay on one of the topics listed:**
 - a. You are running for U.S. President: Describe your qualities and how you’d benefit the country.
 - b. Describe a person in your life (family, school, community) whom you admire and why.
 - c. Who am I? Who is “the real me” now, and “the real me” I’d like to be?
 - d. You are from another planet and first time visitor to earth: Describe the world and its people.
 - e. Describe a situation where peer pressure exists and how to deal with it effectively in a positive way.

NOTE: When using the words of other writers, use quotation marks. Make this essay your own work with references to personal experiences. Use examples to explain your point.

6. **All participants will receive an Award Certificate** from the *Millbrae Lions Club*.
7. Essays will be judged according to relativity to topic, organization, expression of ideas, use of correct punctuation, grammar and neatness.
8. Each school committee will read all essays and select 10 finalists. The ten finalists’ essays from each school will be sent along with all submitted essays to Lion Paul Larson by **Friday, March 16, 2012**. **Winners** will be selected from the essays submitted:
 - Two (2) Winning Essays will be chosen from Grades 4-5
 - Two (2) Winning Essays will be chosen from Grades 6-7-8
 - Two (2) Winning Essays will be chosen from High School
9. **Winners** will be selected by a judging committee from the **TAYLOR MIDDLE SCHOOL FACULTY**.
10. **Winners** will have their pictures in the **EXAMINER’S** special *Millbrae Lions Club Youth Week* section.
11. **Winners** may bring their parents **or** one sponsor (sponsor being a teacher, principal, or clergyman) to the dinner meeting of the Millbrae Lions Club at the **EL RANCHO INN ~ PALM ROOM**, 1100 El Camino Real, Millbrae on **Wednesday, April 18th** at 7:00 P.M. sharp. The awards will be given during the dinner meeting.
12. Each School will deliver essays to Lion Paul Larson,
c/o Millbrae Jewelers, 400 Broadway, Millbrae. Phone (650) 697-2685.

FIRST AWARD WINNERS IN EACH CATEGORY - A \$100.00 Bond and a Trophy
SECOND AWARD WINNERS IN EACH CATEGORY - A \$50.00 Bond and a Trophy

