

'Advantages Of Private Medical Care' Subject For N. C. Medical Essay Contest

North Carolina's Medical Society has announced the plans for an essay contest, with a college scholarship, along with other prizes, to be awarded the writer of the best essay about "The Advantages of Private Medical Care."

The contest, authorized by the Medical Society of the State of North Carolina, is being sponsored by the Public Relations Committee of the Society, and is approved by the State Department of Public Instruction.

It is open to all students enrolled in accredited high schools of North Carolina with the exceptions of sons and daughters of physicians and winners of first place awards in prior Medical Society essay contests.

First prize for the best essay will be a \$600 scholarship, payable to any college or university selected by the winner. Prizes will also be awarded to second and third place winners.

To enter the contest, a student must write and submit to A. P. Routh, in the case of Senior High, an original essay of not more than 1500 words on the topic "The Advantages of Private Medical Care."

Essays should be written on one side of letter-size paper (8 1/2 x 11) and, if typewritten, double-spaced. Information will be furnished for use in the contest.

The contest opens January 1 and closes February 26, 1956. Essays may be submitted anytime between these dates.

There will be a committee of three teachers who will, on February 26, select the two best essays. These two essays will be forwarded by Mr. Routh to Ben L. Smith, superintendent of public instruction. He will in turn have a committee select the two best essays from those submitted from this area, and these will be sent to the Medical Society for the final decision.

The winning contestants will be announced about April 20. No essays will be returned, and all will become the property of the Society.

The Public Relations Committee may choose to invite, at its expense, the winning contestant to be its guest and to present the winning essay at the annual meeting of the State Medical Society, to take place at Pinehurst, April 20 through May 2, 1956.

The three winning papers will be forwarded to the Association of American Physicians and Surgeons, Chicago, to compete in the nation-wide contest sponsored by

that association. The prizes to be awarded in this contest are first, \$1,000; second, \$500; third, \$100; fourth, fifth, and sixth, \$25 each.

Any students who are interested in this particular competition are invited to enter an essay to be judged.

La Alianza Espanola Has Annual Program

Fifteen members of La Alianza Espanola had their annual Christmas program last night at the Polio Hospital, where they gave a Mexican Christmas celebration.

Faye Fuquay, president of La Alianza Espanola, and Allyne Garton, vice-president, were in charge of the program, a representation of Las Posadas, the traditional way of celebrating Christmas in Mexico and in Spain. It represents the journey of Mary and Joseph into Egypt and their looking for room in the inn. They try several places, but are refused. Finally they are invited into someone's home.

The club gave the hospital patients a nativity scene, and also took along a pinata, a clay jar filled with candy. This is broken and then everyone attempts to get some of the candy. The club members also sang Spanish Christmas songs.

The 16 members of La Alianza Espanola who went to the hospital were: Alleyne Garton, Carolyn Paschal, John Lund, Kent Carter, Tony Martinez, Tommy Martinez, Carroll Lupton, Sue Spence, and Lou Spence. The other members

Scholarship Plaques Go To Honor Rooms For Grading Period

Mrs. Joann Taylor's senior home room, 304, has a scholarship average of 86.78 and heads the junior and sophomore home rooms as winners of the Scholarship Plaques for the second grading period.

Room 304 has the highest average, 86.78, of any home room at Senior for the second grading period and wins the Scholarship Plaque for the Senior Class. Mrs. Martha Hundley's home room 24 is runnerup with an average of 86.68.

Robert A. Frederickson's home room 307, wins the plaque for the Junior Class with an average of 86.06 while the runnerup is home room 300, which is supervised by Miss Sara Mims, with an average of 84.90.

The sophomore winner is Miss Dorothy McNairy's room 206, with a scholarship average of 84.69. The runnerup is Miss Ann Moore's home room 27, having an average of 84.53.

Eight Are Semi-Finalists For Merit Scholarships

From the 26 members in the upper five per cent of the Senior Class who took the first National Merit Scholarship test, eight were notified on December 1 that they are national semi-finalists.

These eight people are David were Livvie Doggett, Doris Guill, Joan Harrill, Becky Ozment, Faye Fuquay, and Howard Hinshaw, Eleanor Zwicky.

Bible Class Has Christmas Meeting; Plays Santa Claus To Underprivileged

Senior High School's Bible Club had their last meeting Tuesday, December 13, 7 p. m. at the Mayfair Cafeteria.

Following the dinner, Larry Harris opened the meeting by reading the Christmas Story from the Bible. After a devotional talk by Beth Stout, Laura Little led the club in prayer, and Diane Dixon gave a Christmas story. Manley Dodson then recited a poem. Singing for the club was the Girls' Quartet, consisting of Ann Poole, Bunny Marsnall, Sylvia Talley, and Barbara Riddle. The group sang "O Little Twn of Bethlehem," followed by Ann Deal's singing, "O Holy Night." Bobbie Tice, who led the club in prayer, adjourned the meeting.

Playing Santa Claus to underprivileged families was the second project of the Bible Club this semester. Angela Butt, Barry Frahm, Betsy McKeel, Julia McNairy, Eve Purdom, Diane Schwartz and Sara Toenes.

The next step for these eight people will be to take the Scholastic Aptitude Test of the College Entrance Examination Board in Winston-Salem on January 14. At least half the semi-finalists will receive certificates or scholarships.

Each class, whose members make up the Bible Club, was assigned a different family, the names of which were not revealed. The job of each class was that of playing Santa Claus to the children of their assigned family. The classes gave the little girls dolls, while the little boys received Davy Crockett guns. Clothes, nuts, fruit, and candy were included in the packages for the families, along with other articles for members of the entire family.

Members Of Family Life Complete Term Projects

Mrs. Ruby Cooper's family life classes have brought in their projects for the first semester. Many students did a bulletin board earlier in the year on alcohol and the right and wrong road to marriage. The classes have also studied narcotics and the habit-forming drugs. Many booklets and pamphlets have been distributed among the classes for further information on dating, marriage, drugs, alcohol, and other interesting subjects that the classes have taken up.

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Miss Judy Schaffer

wearing a wool jumper of black watch plaid by Ilene Ricky and a white orlon sweater by Helen Harper, selects a gift from Ellis Stone's Boutique Shop. She knows that this is the perfect place for purchasing a pollyanna present because each gift is less than \$5 in the Boutique Shop.

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