Betty Field Memorial Youth Writing Contest-2016

Mystery Story – First Place

Amber Bakken – *A Secure Murder* 6th Grade – Holmes Middle School – Teacher: Christina Rochelle

Andrew Salek – Flower of Anubis
7th Grade – Mountain Ridge Middle School – Teacher: Kristin Lubich

Jakob Aggers – *The Greyhound of the Night* 8th Grade – Lewis-Palmer Middle School – Teacher: Alexi Seabourn

Tessa Lapointe – *Only Stories in the End* 9-10th Grade – The Classical Academy – Teacher: Cathryn Supplee

Derek Sharman – A Curious Incident by the National Mall 11-12th Grade – Coronado High School – Teacher: Amber Luttman

Mystery Story – Second Place

Elizabeth Freer – For the Love of a Border Collie's Toy 6th Grade – Holmes Middle School – Teacher: Christina Rochelle

Brenner Haley – *The Mystery of the Missing Chalice* 7th Grade – The Classical Academy – Teacher: Rachel Short

Meera Bhatia – Who Did It?

8th Grade – Lewis-Palmer Middle School – Teacher: Alexi Seabourn

Jaclyn Carlson – *The Night Invader* 9-10th Grade – Home School – Teacher: Renee Carlson

Lydia McGee – A Dinner Party Gone Wrong 11-12th Grade – Home School – Teacher: Peggy McGee

Mystery Story – Third Place

Christian Sack – *The Alamo, an Oak Tree, and a Missing Will* 6th Grade – Monument Academy – Teacher: Melissa Dyer

Reece Loomis – *Surprise Party*7th Grade – Timberview Middle School – Teacher: Jamie Pomerhn

Jamie Mihelich – *In the Basement* 8th Grade – Holmes Middle School – Teacher: David Romine

Anika Hagen – *The Runaway* 9-10th Grade – Coronado High School – Teacher: Kelly Hodge

David Mann – A Killer Among Us
11-12th Grade – Fountain Valley School – Teacher: David Reynolds

8th Grade Judges Award – Honorable Mention

Danielle Norman – Two Halves to a Whole

8th Grade – Lewis-Palmer Middle School – Teacher: Susan Voyzey

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Judges Award – Favorite Title

First Place

Eli Harper – *Death in the Dairy Queen Bathroom* 12th Grade – Fountain Valley School – Teacher: David Reynolds

Second Place

Zach Pribyl – *The Devil Bleeds Too* 8th Grade – Lewis-Palmer Middle School – Teacher: Alexi Seabourn

Third Place

Ashley Rau – *Tick Tock Time's Up* 7th Grade – Monument Academy – Teacher: Kristen Higley

Judges Award – Favorite Opening Line

First Place

Tessa Lapointe – Only Stories in the End
10th Grade – The Classical Academy – Teacher: Cathryn Supplee
"I was eight years old when I first touched a tombstone."

Tie for Second Place

Scott Harvey – *The Dunwitch Dungeon*

8th Grade – Holmes Middle School – Teacher: Ramsey Ross "Will is only alive because he didn't ask any questions."

Meera Bhatia – Who Did It?

8th Grade – Lewis-Palmer Middle School – Teacher: Alexi Seabourn "Retrospectively, the bright day was unfitting for the darkness that came."

Judges Award - Word for 2017 Contest

Temaya Nestegard (acrimony) 7th Grade – Holmes Middle School Teacher: Ramsey Ross

Mara Backsen (dubious)

6th Grade – Colorado Springs School Teacher: Anne Hatch

Reed Buesser (inflection)

7th Grade – Holmes Middle School Teacher: Kristin Abernethy

Ferryn Reuhl (audacious)

8th Grade – Holmes Middle School Teacher: David Romine

Melody Fike (egocentric)

8th Grade – Lewis-Palmer Middle School Teacher: Susan Voyzey

Abigail McCoy (surreptitious)

11th Grade – Home School Teacher: Elisabeth McCoy