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## NEWS RELEASE

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## Stark County District Library 2014 Youth Poetry Winners

**May 28, 2014** –The Youth Poetry Café was recently held at the Stark County District Library’s Main Library. Area students in grades 2 through 12 submitted original poems and were invited to read them aloud. Over 422 poems were submitted. Winners are as follows:

Grades 2 and 3

Liam Butler

Pennelope Peppard

Christian Parks

Alayna Stephens

Emma Bourquin

Chloe Ahn

Caden Bailey

Tess Bossart

Malia Lewis

Keya Williams

Alyssa Mitchell

Makenna Dunlop

Christina Nusic

Arts Academy at Summit

St. Michael School

Lake Cable Elementary School

Home Schooled

Walker Elementary School

Lake Cable Elementary School

Lake Cable Elementary School

Lake Cable Elementary School

Faith Islamic Academy

Strausser Elementary School

Youtz Elementary School

St. Michael School

Walker Elementary School

Walker Elementary School

Uniontown Elementary School

St. Michael School

Lake Cable Elementary School

Lake Cable Elementary School

Lyric Fields

Sidney Paxton

Gavrielle Steele

Khushi Pasrija

Olivia Opal Kramer

*Mayor has a Lot of Hair*

*Kites*

*Save Resources*

*If Ever I Could Go Out to Sea*

*The Baseball Game*

*What in the World is That?*

*How I Can Help*

*Happy*

*My Nice Day*

*Little Lily*

*Roses*

*Sports*

*My Brother Ate My*

*Homework*

*Summer Break*

*Hop and Look*

*Walrus*

*My Piano*

*Love*

Kate Reindel	Lake Cable Elementary School	<i>God and Jesus</i>
Seth Butts	McGregor Elementary School	<i>Opposite Seasons</i>
Grades 4 and 5		
Lauren Nieporte	Warstler Elementary School	<i>Nobody's Perfect</i>
Abbie Green	Strausser Elementary School	<i>When the Doves Are Gone</i>
Altira Anthony	Youtz Elementary School	<i>Salutations</i>
Aaron Spencer	Massillon Intermediate School	<i>Michael Jordan</i>
Ruby Attar	Arts Academy at Summit	<i>Doorknobs</i>
Amya Stewart	Cedar Elementary School	<i>Red, Red, My World is Red</i>
Brooke Lenigan	Pfeiffer Intermediate School	<i>Tree</i>
Michael Barlow	Worley Elementary School	<i>My Secret Place</i>
Audrey Gabriele	Lake Cable Elementary School	<i>All About Me</i>
Makaylin Armstead	McGregor Elementary School	<i>Donut Dance</i>
Hope Abrams	Mason Elementary School	<i>What I learned from My Family</i>
Ian Laughlin	East Canton Elementary School	<i>If I Were a Tornado</i>
Rinoa Chech	Frazer Elementary School	<i>Some Lives</i>
Snehal Choudhury	Lake Cable Elementary School	<i>The Dolly Who Went to School</i>
Joseph Moore	Cedar Elementary School	<i>Blue, Blue, My World is Blue</i>
Breonna Smarr	Walker Elementary School	<i>Love</i>
Ben Oliver	Mason Elementary School	<i>Color of Winter</i>
Camille Marchesani	Mason Elementary School	<i>Winter's Happiness</i>
Trynity Jordan	Walker Elementary School	<i>That Big Jerk!</i>
Mary Bliese	Home Schooled	<i>Down By the River</i>
Grade 6 and 7		
Christian Via	Lake Center Christian School	<i>My Last and My Best</i>
Eliz Slabaugh	Lake Center Christian School	<i>Running Dream</i>
Olivia Miller	Lake Center Christian School	<i>Lullaby</i>
Carly Rose Justice	Lake Center Christian School	<i>Pieces of My Heart</i>
Olivia Budzinski	Jackson Middle School	<i>Saying Goodbye</i>
Rachael Fiore	Jackson Middle School	<i>The Perfect Summer</i>
Laurysa Ridenour	Lake Center Christian School	<i>A Blessing in Disguise</i>
Katrina Miller	Early College Academy	<i>Questions Unanswered</i>
Jake Yoder	Lake Center Christian School	<i>A Poem</i>
Jaydan Morgan	Jackson Middle School	<i>Day Dream</i>
Jenny Lyogky	Lake Center Christian School	<i>Motionless</i>
Caitlin Bailey	Lake Center Christian School	<i>Fantasy Worlds</i>
Bridget Lee	Lake Center Christian School	<i>The Road Before Me</i>
Kellie McDonald	Early College Academy	<i>Inspiration</i>
Rochelle Leeper	Lake Middle School	<i>Memoirs of a Teenage Amnesiac</i>
Madison Swartzentruber	Lake Center Christian School	<i>Name Pain</i>
Denver Wittmer	Lake Center Christian School	<i>Tribute</i>
Cara Bunner	Lake Middle School	<i>Noise</i>
Evan Akers	Lake Center Christian School	<i>Adventure Time</i>
Brielle Anderson	Chapel Hill Christian School	<i>Extraordinary Granma Alice</i>
Grades 8 and 9		

Danielle A Horne	Massillon Junior High School	<i>Him and Her</i>
Ryan Dugan	Massillon Junior high School	<i>Childhood Love</i>
Olivia Kurtz	Hartville Christian School	<i>Travel the World in a Day</i>
Sefra Manos	Lake High School	<i>Run</i>
Maria Knepshield	Jackson High school	<i>Life in the Spotlight</i>
Abigail Thouvenin	Homed Schooled	<i>Life is a River</i>
Savannah Sparks	Hartford Middle School, STEAMM	<i>You're You</i>
Haley Lunsford	Early College Academy	<i>Butterfly</i>
Nick Quinn	Home Schooled	<i>He's Never Truly Gone</i>
Julian Herstine	Sandy Valley Middle School	<i>A Sonnet</i>

Grades 10, 11 and 12

Mariah Lombardi	Perry High School	<i>The Wrecked Are Wrong</i>
Natalie Thouvenin	Home Schooled	<i>The Five Senses of Family</i>
Emily Motz	Sandy Valley High School	<i>Open Your Eyes</i>
Tatiana Bowman	McKinley High School	<i>No More!</i>
Sarah Wessel	Jackson High School	<i>Public Transit</i>
Rachel Maino	Hartville Christian School	<i>Whatever, However, No Matter What</i>
Isaac Ross	Hartville Christian School	<i>The One Who Will Complete Me</i>
Mariah Lombardi	Perry High School	<i>Two of a Kind</i>
Aaron Troyer	Hartville Christian School	<i>Brainstorming</i>
Nicky Anderson	Timken High School	<i>My Changing Soul</i>

Congratulations to the winners and thank you to all who entered! A digital booklet of all of the submissions may be found at <http://www.starklibrary.org/librarypublications>.

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