



# AHEPA Firwood District 22

Washington and Oregon States

## AHEPA 2010 HELLENIC ESSAY CONTEST

### INSTRUCTIONS

Please, read the Rules listed below. Deviating from the Rules may disqualify your entry.

If you are eligible, download to your personal computer the Entry Form, located at:

[http://www.ahepad22.org/d22\\_projects.htm](http://www.ahepad22.org/d22_projects.htm)

In the Entry Form, fill in your personal data at the top of the form. Then read the topic and write your essay at the bottom of the form.

When done, submit your essay to the contest, as described in the rules listed below. You should receive a brief acknowledgement by email within two weeks. The Contest Results will be announced in the summer.

Good luck!

### RULES

#### **ELIGIBILITY TO ENTER & WIN:**

To be eligible to enter this Contest, by the deadline for entering you must be:

- A High School Senior, and
- Reside in Washington or Oregon States, and

You must follow these instructions and rules and enter you consent to these rules.

#### **PRIZES:**

Prizes to be paid in Amazon gift certificates, in the following values:

- **1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Prizes: \$100**
- **3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Prizes: \$50**

**Additional prizes:** The AHEPA District 22 Lodge reserves the right to award additional prizes, honorable mentions, etc., depending on quality & quantity of the entries.

#### **ESSAY SPECIFICS:**

The topic of the essay is shown in the above mentioned entry form. Enter your essay right on the form; do not change the file name of the form. The essay must be self contained; no links to outside resources. Use font size 12 or larger. No more than 1000 words, as determined by the "Word count" feature of MS Word (excessive text will be truncated). You are not expected to cite any sources, as in a formal history project. Doing so will get you no points, but will not be counted in your word count. No pictures are needed; if embedded, they will not count as words. Pictures may enhance your presentation, but are not a substitute for writing.

## **WORK ACCEPTABLE AND NOT ACCEPTABLE:**

Acceptable research: *Any* source that *you* consult. You can ask others, consult any resource, internet included.

Acceptable writing: You must prepare your essay from your research originally by yourself, without the help of others.

Not Acceptable: Cooperating with others or receiving help from others in putting together your essay.

## **DEADLINE FOR ENTERING:**

Entries must be submitted by Thursday April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010.

## **MANNER OF ENTERING:**

The only acceptable essay submittal has as follows:

When finished with the form, send an email to the address: [ahepa2010@gkavounas.com](mailto:ahepa2010@gkavounas.com)

Note on the email Subject Line: Entry for AHEPA 2010 Essay Contest.

Attach to the email your final essay, on the provided MS Word document form.

## **JUDGING:**

Entries will be judged by the AHEPA District 22 Lodge. A double-blind system will be used with independent judges. The judging is final. Decisions will be announced via the usual AHEPA channels; winners will also be notified individually. Winners will be determined by their essay; how well and fully it answers the questions asked; correctness, fullness, originality of answer, originality of presentation, focus on answering the questions without digressing, etc.

## **WINNERS' ANNOUNCEMENT:**

The winners will be announced by the end of June 2010 through various venues, including the [ahepad22.org](http://ahepad22.org) website. Prizes will be emailed to the winners. By entering, you consent that your name, amount you won, city of residence, and your essay be published in various venues of AHEPA, such as the Mentor magazine, the [ahepad22.org](http://ahepad22.org) website, etc.

## **DISQUALIFICATION:**

You will be disqualified if you allow others to see your essay before the results are announced.

## **MISCELLANEOUS:**

One entry is allowed per contestant.

If a later entry is received before the deadline by a contestant who has already submitted an earlier entry, only the later entry will be considered.

Void where prohibited.