

**GUIDELINES &
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**THE GHOST OF THE HARDY BOYS'
SHORT STORY CONTEST
2010**

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ENTRY FORM

NAME _____

(Print Clearly)

AGE _____

STORY TITLE _____

HOME ADDRESS:

STREET/BOX/R.R.No. _____

TOWN _____

POSTAL CODE _____ **PHONE No.** _____

E-mail address _____

**SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN/TEACHER CERTIFYING
THAT THE STORY IS AN ORIGINAL COMPOSITION:**

SCHOOL (if applicable) _____ **GRADE** _____

DO NOT WRITE YOUR NAME ON YOUR STORY

Please complete this form, attach it to your entry, and submit to school office, or mail, or deliver to:

**Haileybury Heritage Museum
P.O. Box 911, 575 Main Street,
HAILEYBURY, Ontario. P0J 1K0
705-672-1922**

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The Haileybury Heritage Museum – Ghost of the Hardy Boys' Committee invites young residents of the area to enter the literary contest known as:

“The Ghost of the Hardy Boys’ Short Story Contest”

Introduction

Leslie McFarlane, one of Canada’s most prolific writers, playwrights, journalists and broadcasters, and best known as the original author of the **Hardy Boys** and **Dana Girls** series of books for young people, was raised in Haileybury, attended primary and secondary schools in that town, and honed his skills as a journalist and writer in Temiskaming.

An English language short story contest for young people in the area is held annually as a tribute to McFarlane’s memory. The contest is part of a campaign to promote the community as the “Home of the Ghost of the Hardy Boys” and to encourage heritage education. The contest will encourage local young writers to follow in McFarlane’s footsteps, and will allow them to earn recognition for their writing talents.

Participants are urged to read local history and some of the early Hardy Boys’ books (available at your school or public library) depicting the flavour of the original stories. These resources may provide some inspiration in creating a story for the contest.

You may also wish to visit the following website for additional background information:

<http://www.lesliemcfarlane.com>

Age Categories

There will be award categories for grades 3 to 12. The contest is open to young students in the municipalities of Temagami, Latchford, Cobalt, Earlton, Elk Lake, Charlton, Kerns, Englehart and Temiskaming Shores, and/or home-schooled in these areas.

Story Format & Length

The following guidelines are to be used for all entries:

They shall:

- be in the **English language**
- be in the form of a written **fictional mystery** or **adventure story**,
- have as the **principal characters, young people** in a similar age category as the writer,
- be **set** using local places and include reference to at least one or more area activities such as farming, fishing, lumbering, or mining.

Grade 3: A Class Project: this award category, designed to encourage the beginnings of creativity, is to be undertaken with the class teacher.

Grades 4, 5, 6: From 4 to 6 pages in length.

Grades 7, 8, 9: From 6 to 8 pages in length.

Grades 10,11,12: From 8 to 10 pages in length.

All entries should be typewritten, double-spaced, on plain white 8-1/2 x 11 inch paper. Where a typewriter or word processor is not available, the entry will be accepted as written, or printed, in a legible hand.

Judging

- a. The entries will be judged on the basis of:
 - . Clarity in the use of the English Language
 - . Imagination & Creativity
 - . Use of Local Settings /Places
 - . Reference to logging, mining, farming, fishing
- b. A parent, guardian or teacher, must certify that entries of young writers are original compositions.

Submission Deadline

The contest will be introduced into the schools on Monday January 25th 2010. Submission deadline is 4 pm on Saturday April 24th 2010.

NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE.
(Electronic submissions will not be accepted)

Entries may be collected by teachers/schools and delivered to the Haileybury Heritage Museum, or submitted individually by hand or by mail to the Museum.

NOTE: DO NOT WRITE YOUR NAME or any other distinguishing mark on either the front or back of the short story entry. Please complete the registration form clearly for identification purposes and attach it to the entry. (Entries will not be returned at the conclusion of the contest.)

This application may be downloaded by going to:

www.temiskamingshores.ca

AWARDS

Grade 3 (Class Project)	1 st Prize \$100	Hon. Mention \$50*
Grades 4 – 5	1 st Prize \$ 35	Hon. Mention \$25
Grades 6 &7	1 st Prize \$ 50	Hon. Mention \$35
Grades 8 - 10	1 st Prize \$ 75	Hon. Mention \$50
Grades 11 & 12	1 st Prize \$100	Hon. Mention \$75

* Grade 3 Awards will be presented as a collective award of a Certificate, a Cheque, a Pin and a Book to the winning Classes.

Individual winners will each receive a cheque, a Certificate, a Hardy Boys' Pin from the Friends of the Haileybury Library, and a book award from the Haileybury Chapter of the IODE. (In 1915 Leslie McFarlane received an IODE award for the best essay written on "The Development of the North," a copy of which is held and may be viewed at the Haileybury Heritage Museum.) All entrants will receive a Hardy Boys' Pin.

In addition to these awards, the names and stories of the winning entrants may be published in an Anthology. A Publication Release will be made available when the Awards are announced.

Award Presentation

Awards will be presented at a special Ceremony to be held Saturday, June 19, 2010, at 2 pm at the:

**Haileybury Heritage Museum
575 Main St. Haileybury**

Winners will be notified and it would be appreciated if they could be available for a group photo and interviews at the presentation of awards.