

Wood County Committee on Aging 2017 Poetry Contest:

THEME: "Powerful You"

- ✂ Any Wood County individual 50 years of age or older may participate. Students in fourth through 8th grade are invited to participate. Opening date for submission is Tuesday, January 30 and closing date is Friday, March 31 at 4 p.m.
- ✂ Poems should share stories of life, hope, dreams and love. We are looking for poetry that, in some way, celebrates the heart and souls of members of Wood County citizens as they continue to celebrate their lives.
- ✂ Entries must be submitted in English, double spaced, in a 12 point Times New Roman Font. Entries must be entirely your own work and never previously published, online or offline. All styles of poems are acceptable but they must be originals. Any plagiarized short stories and poems will be disqualified.
- ✂ Two entries per person. Intent to submit will not be accepted. Poems are to have a title and to have the poets name, address and phone number on each page.
- ✂ Poems are due to the Program Department at the Wood County Committee on Aging, Inc., 305 North Main Street, Bowling Green, Ohio 43402 on **Friday, March 31, 2017 by 4 p.m.** You may also e-mail your entry to programs@wcco.net. All entries must have the title of the poem, their name, phone number, address and date of submission.
- ✂ Winners will be selected by a Bowling Green State University Writing Professor, and BGSU Gerontology Students. All poems entered will be available for reading in a loosely bound edition.
- ✂ Winning poems will be published in the newsletter, on the web site and blog, in local papers and a grand prize award of a \$50 gift card and will be awarded at our awards banquet on **Monday, April 24 at 4 p.m.** All participants are encouraged to attend the awards celebration and participate in the poetry readings to learn if their poem is a winner. Light appetizers and refreshments will be served. Call 419.353.5661 to make your reservations.

Contact the Program Department for further details!

The Wood County Committee on Aging, Inc.

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