

# VFW Patriots Pen

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## Students place in essay contest

The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) named Taylur DeWolf, an eighth-grade student at Boring Middle School, the winner of the "Patriot's Pen" essay contest for the VFW Department of Oregon. Haley Moore, also a student at Boring Middle School, placed third.

Sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grade students compete by writing an original 300- to 400-word essay on an annual patriotic theme. This year's theme is "Why America's Veterans Should Be Honored." The essays are judged on knowledge of the theme, theme development and clarity of ideas.

The students received a cash prize and certificates, and DeWolf's essay will be forwarded to the national competition with 53 other state and territory winners.