

National Sojourners 2008 Essay Contest

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Prizes

- 1st Place: \$2000 Savings Bond and National Sojourner Plaque
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Theme

Patriotic Quotes

Many of our Founding Fathers' words have become part of our nation's legacy, such as:

- "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are Created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." The Declaration of Independence
"I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country." Nathan Hale
"Any people that would give up liberty for a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety." Benjamin Franklin
"The cause of America is in a great measure the cause of all mankind." Thomas Paine
"Children should be educated and instructed in the principles of freedom." John Adams
"Here sir, the people govern." Alexander Hamilton
"We must all hang together, or, assuredly, we shall all hang separately." Benjamin Franklin
"but as for me, give me liberty or give me death!" Patrick Henry
"If there must be trouble, let it be in my day, that my child may have peace." Thomas Paine

Question

What is Your Favorite Patriotic Quote from the Revolutionary War Period, and Why?

[Your favorite quote should be from the late 1700's or early 1800's, and does not have to be one listed above.]

Rules

Open to 9th to 12th grade students

Essays should be 300 to 500 words long; Quotations should be cited

Essay must be submitted using **this** cover sheet

[Cover sheet must be completely filled out]

Submit essays to your National Sojourner Chapter

Each Chapter may submit not more than three essays

Chapters mail essays to National Sojourners Headquarters

Essays must be postmarked not later than January 15th, 2008

Student Information

Name [First, Middle Initial, Last]: _____

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