

introduction

In this last issue of Fathom for the 1978 fall semester, we are announcing the winners of our photography, poetry and short story contests. The contests were announced in early October and by the Nov. 8 deadline Fathom had received 120 photographs, 271 poems and 42 short stories.

Daily Nebraskan photographers Mark Billingsley, Bob Pearson and Ted Kirk judged the photographs. They were assisted by Pete Mason, former *Daily Nebraskan* entertainment editor and humor columnist.

D. Scott Stalnaker, a senior agriculture communications major from St. Paul won \$50 for his first place photo. Steven M. Smith, will receive \$30 for his second place photograph. Smith is a freshman journalism major from Lincoln. Mike Sweeney, a junior journalism major from Lincoln, is awarded \$20 for his third place picture.

Honorable mention was won by Ron Geibert, a fine arts graduate student from Omaha; John Salinas, a freshman from Lincoln; Robert Coplen, a business senior from Douglas, and Barbara Thielen, a freshman law student from Omaha.

Mason and *Daily Nebraskan* sports editor Jim Kay judged the poetry and fic-

tion entries. Both Mason and Kay are published writers.

Robert Manning, Jr., a senior art major from Lincoln, will receive \$25 for his first place short story. A freshman geology major from North Bend and Morse Bluff, Dave Bauer will receive \$15 for his second place winner. And Dianne Coussens, a freshman speech pathology major from Russellville, Ark. won \$10 for her third place story.

In the poetry contest, Janice Harrington, a Teachers College senior, won \$25 for her first place poem. B.L. Eike won \$15 for second place. Eike is junior French major from Norfolk. Ten dollars was won by

Marie Mahoney for her third place poem. Mahoney is a sophomore English major from Lincoln.

M. Caffrey, a graduate student from North Platte won, with Harrington and Mahoney, honorable mention in the poetry contest.

All contestants may pick up their entries at the *Daily Nebraskan* office today or next week. Because of the number of entries, it is impossible for us to personally contact every contestant, but we would like to thank each for his or her participation in the contests.

amy lenzen, editor

d. scott stalnaker
first place
photography



janice harrington
first place
poetry

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"A woman is like pepper: til you have
chewed it, you do not know how hot it is."
—Hausa proverb

The woman who is like pepper,
the woman whose love is like tabasco sauce,
is an angry woman.

Men think to grind her up.
They want to put her cunt between
the millstone of their thighs.
They want to chew on her, but
choke and spit her out.

The woman like pepper,
is hot and can not be touched.
Is burning: a light
for her daughters to see by.

"A vigorous pepper plant
will yield as much as six or
seven pounds of pepper."

A healthy woman has a lot of anger
She makes good chilli.
She stuffs her womb with recipes.
And every month bleeds the color red.
Red pepper is the hottest.

—tall women with strong backs
pick the pepper plants
spreading it on mats.
As it dries it wrinkles and darkens

There's a certain amount of
dying in an angry woman.

A certain number of dreams
left to dry and shrivel up.

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