

Washington Mill third graders to publish poetry

Eighteen third graders at Washington Mill Elementary School have won in a poetry contest.

They will each have one of their poems published in the "Anthology of Poetry by Young Americans" due out this summer. The anthology is dedicated to the beauty, self-expression and fun of poetry.

According to its editor, the program was created to foster creative expression among young people by having children submit poems for review and possible publication.

The anthology is published annually as a forum where young poets can see their work and the work of other young poets published in a book. The 1998 publication will be the eighth edition. The poems are divided by age, with younger children being judged less stringently.

The third graders in Mrs. Glenna Orr's class are excited about seeing their work in a real book.

"When we received the acceptance letters the kids were ecstatic," said Orr. "It's a wonderful and positive way for the children to see an end result to their creativity."

Riverside Elementary to hold extravaganza

Riverside Elementary School will hold its third annual Educational Extravaganza on Thursday, March 19, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

During the evening, students, families and invited guests will have the opportunity to participate in many hands-on activities throughout the school. These activities include music, programs such as SuccessMaker in the computer lab, participation in a live WRES-TV broadcast in the television studio and many exciting events throughout the building. Each classroom will have activities designed especially for their grade level.