



## GUNS, GRENADES & TRUE GRIT

War Memoirs  
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### CATEGORIES:

POETRY (100 line limit)

PROSE (2500 words maximum)

Submissions accepted US Mail only from 1/1/14 to 4/30/14

**NO AGE LIMIT -- PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED OK -- UNLIMITED ENTRIES**

This is a writing competition about true experiences of American veterans and military men and women currently serving in Afghanistan. It covers the six great wars of most of our lifetimes: World War Two, The Korean Conflict, Vietman, Iraq I and Iraq II, and Afghanistan. The subject matter is writer's choice, as is style of written expression.

**This competition is open-ended, meaning it is experimental.**

### AWARDS

There will be at least one 1<sup>st</sup> Place Award each for Best Poem and Best Prose with ¼ total entry fees to be equally divided between or among winners. Honorable Mentions may be named, to be split from another ¼ of total entry fees, amounts to be determined by number of entries and judges' choices of winners.

### ENTRY FEES

\$5 for the first entry and \$3 each per subsequent entries.

### RULES

You must own the copyright to your submission. In the upper left corner of your first page, include the category (POETRY or PROSE) and under it name the war about which the piece is: Korea, Vietnam, etc. In the upper right corner of your first page include your name, address, e-mail and phone. All entries must have titles. Staple multiple-page entries together. Send one copy only. Include one cover sheet with your name, address, e-mail, phone, titles of all your entries, and whatever facts you wish to share about your military service. Keep a copy of your work, as no entries will be returned. Judges will be members of Central Coast Writers in California. Winners will be announced in the June 2014 edition of *The Diplomat*.

### HOW TO SUBMIT

**Enclose payment with entries and one #10 Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope**

**Make check payable to Wanda Sue Parrott Literary Fund**

**Send to: P. O. Box 1821**

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