

**Olivia Harrington**

**Teen 1st Place**

**Murder**

Alone.

Nowhere to hide,

She will follow.

I will never forget.

One big mistake,

Will change your life.

One gun,

One bullet,

I am changed forever.

The screams haunt me.

The face I always see.

The steel bars lock me in.

The sorrow in the family's eyes.

I am changed forever.

I wish I could go back.

I want one more chance.

I am an evil man.

I am a life taker.

**Gabe McTeer**

**Teen 2<sup>nd</sup> Place**

**Darkness**

Walking into darkness.

To the brick wall around me.

The pinch of light cracking through the window.

To the dirty floors I walk on.

Everything is colorless.

When can I leave this closed in place?

**Kayla Player**

**Teen Honorable Mention**

*SANDSTONE WALLS*

I know it's hard to live a life full of lies  
I'm trying so hard not to cry,  
But behind these sandstone walls  
There's memories that roam  
And even in these empty halls,  
A Spirit still wonders  
Thinking of the past  
Knowing that it will forever last,  
And knowing that there is an evil in us all  
And there's no escape from the fall,  
But is you believe  
And see not the BAD in the GOOD,  
But for once see through all the frozen hearts  
That blood is still pumping,  
And a smile is jumping