



FAMILY MATTERS AWARD WINNERS

1ST PLACE

Karen E. Outen receives \$1200 for
“Inside the Universe of His Parents.”

Unless he came to know that, unless he came to that new shore just beyond him, that place where he might understand the two of them, then the rest of the world would never make sense. He would never find anchor.

Karen E. Outen’s short stories have appeared in the anthologies *Mother Knows: 24 Tales of Motherhood* and *Where Love Is Found* (both from Washington Square Press) and in *Glimmer Train Stories*, the *North American Review*, and *Essence* magazine. She has received fellowships from the Institute for the Humanities at the University of Michigan, the Pew Fellowships in the Arts, and the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts. In 1999, she won first prize in *Glimmer Train’s* Fiction Open Contest. While an MFA student at the University of Michigan, she received Hopwood Awards for the short story and for the novel. Currently, she teaches writing at St. Mary’s College of Maryland.

2ND PLACE

Dana Kinstler receives \$500 for “Eclipse.”

She knew what she needed: for three years, since 1973, they’d waited for permission to wear pants to school. After a petition circulated school, she was free. Pier Poppoli’s Jeans took up the space of two stores. His were the best jeans downtown.

Dana Kinstler’s fiction has won the *Southern Indiana Review’s* Mary C. Mohr Fiction Prize, the *Missouri Review* Editor’s prize, and has been in *Salamander* and the *Mississippi Review*. Her essays have appeared or are forthcoming in *Stella Magazine/Sunday London Telegraph* and the anthologies *My Father Married Your Mother*, *Mr. Wrong*, *About Face*, and *Feed Me*.

3RD PLACE

Luke Fiske receives \$300 for
“Beautiful Jewish Women Will Sleep with You for Free.”

All the girls I seemed to date were girls I had been friends with for years and to whom I was not attracted. The first time this didn’t happen, I married her.

Luke Fiske was born in Kingston, Ontario, although he has lived half his life in Cape Town, South Africa. He currently lectures in Expository Writing at New York University. His collection of short stories, *The Vanishing Point*, is forthcoming.

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