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2010 CONSERVATION AND STEWARDSHIP POSTER CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED AWARDS LUNCHEON HELD WITH LOCAL DIGNITARIES TO HONOR THREE STUDENT ARTISTS

Harford County Public Schools (HCPS) and Harford County Government's Green Team announced the winners of the 2010 Conservation and Stewardship Poster Contest at an awards luncheon held today, Tuesday, October 26th, at the Harford Glen Environmental Educational Center in Bel Air. County Executive David R. Craig and members of the Superintendent's Leadership Team, as well as Board of Education members and elected officials were in attendance to honor the students.

Over 500 high quality entries were submitted but only three winners were selected, one from each level: elementary, middle and high. The winners are fifth grade student Katie Frailer of Prospect Mill Elementary School, eighth grade student Chad Herndon of Patterson Mill Middle/High School and senior Megan Kaplon of Fallston High School.

"We are proud of all of our students that participated in this effort to promote environmental education and awareness," said Superintendent of Schools Robert M. Tomback. "The three students honored today will serve as role models in the effort to preserve and sustain our community and our environment."

The contest is part of a continued partnership with the county to promote sustainability; furthermore, the contest showcased HCPS students' interest in improving the environment. Participants were asked to demonstrate themes which promoted conservation and stewardship. The winning posters were reviewed and selected by a committee, which consisted of representatives from HCPS and Harford County Government's Green Team.

"The poster contest goes a long way to foster environmental awareness in our school community," said HCPS Resource Conservation Manager, Andrew Cassilly. "Many times the student messages are a constant reminder to other students and even the faculty."

County Executive David R. Craig affirmed, "Our hope is that each poster inspires and encourages the community to incorporate sustainability into each activity as we strive to conserve today and preserve tomorrow."

The winning posters will be reproduced and displayed in Harford County Government, Harford County Public Schools, and Harford Public Library offices and buildings.