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CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS ANNOUNCE POSTER CONTEST WINNERS

Monmouth County Sheriff Shaun Golden, County Clerk Christine Giordano Hanlon and County Surrogate Maureen Raisch are proud to announce the top three winners of the “My County” Poster Contest, who were all commended and recognized at the Monmouth County Board of County Commissioners meeting on June 21.

“It’s always great to meet and congratulate the talented winners of the annual My County Poster Contest, since they dedicate valuable time to these creative posters about Monmouth County,” said Sheriff Shaun Golden. “The project is a notable example of civic engagement, as it helps our students learn more about the great county we live in.”

Isabella Nuzzolo of St. Leo the Great School in Lincroft, won first place for her poster called, Monmouthopoly, a game of Monopoly where the theme centered around Monmouth County.

“My favorite board game is monopoly and I chose to use the board game idea that my dad’s brother made called, Statenopoly. That inspired me to make my poster about Monmouthopoly and I used all of my favorite places,” said Isabella Nuzzolo, St. Leo the Great.

Since the majority of fourth grade students study the state of New Jersey as part of their social studies curriculum, each year, all three Constitutional Officers invite students to enter the countywide poster contest.

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School principals throughout Monmouth County are asked to get fourth grade students involved by creating their own poster that relates to Monmouth County. Once they are all submitted, the sheriff, clerk and surrogate have the tough task of judging them.

“The creativity of these students in the fourth grade is amazing. They dedicate a lot of time when deciding what they are going to include in the posters, since there are so many wonderful options from which to choose throughout Monmouth County,” said Christine Giordano Hanlon, Monmouth County Clerk. “We enjoy seeing the different perspectives of the students year after year and what’s important to them.”

“There’s so much the students learn from by participating in this project and they have a great time doing it. Their creativity is endless, from the colors they use to the themes.” said Maureen Raisch, Monmouth County Surrogate. “When you look at these posters it makes you realize why we all love to call Monmouth County home.”

Also acknowledged for their posters were second place winners Piper Dougherty of Atlantic Highlands Elementary School and Kennedy Crowther of St. Leo the Great. The third place winner was Katie Kruszinis of Robertsville Elementary School. All winners were honored with a certificate and Barnes and Noble gift cards.

The posters submitted will be displayed at Clerk’s Offices throughout the next 12 months.

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