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**Foundation Awards Three Loudoun Students  
in Environmental Poster Contest**

*First-Place Poster to be Showcased in Rachel Carson Centennial Events*

**What:** Announcement of winners of the Rachel Carson Centennial Celebration Poster Contest

**When:** 2:15 p.m., Friday, Jan. 12

**Where:** Loudoun Valley High School - Carolyn DeMary's classroom  
340 N. Maple Ave.  
Purcellville, Va.

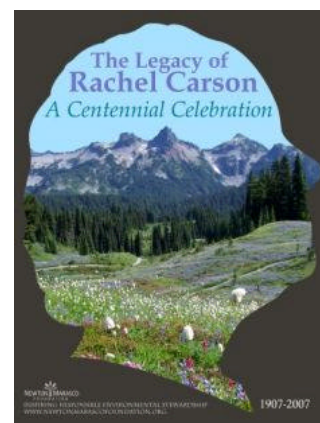
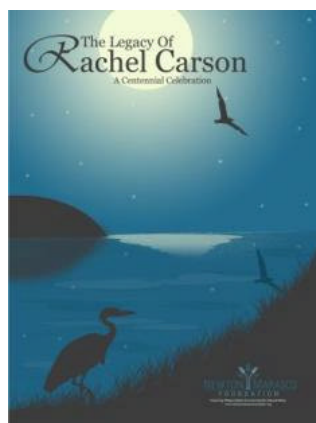
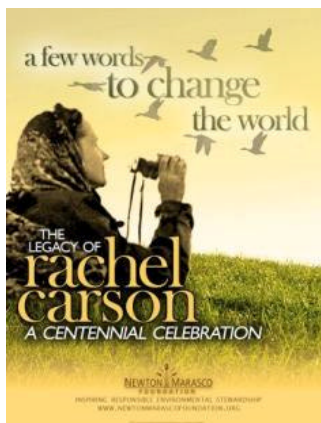
**Editors' note: Quality jpeg images of winning posters are available for publication.**

The Newton Marasco Foundation will recognize three students from Loudoun Valley High School for their winning designs in an environmental poster contest. The first-place poster will serve as a visual centerpiece in events for the 2007 Rachel Carson Centennial Celebration, honoring the work of America's pioneer of the modern environmental movement.

On Friday, the winners will be presented with professionally-created versions of their posters and cash awards of \$300 for first place, \$150 for second and \$50 for third.

The winners are:

**First place** Chris Morgan    **Second place** Sadie Young    **Third place** Leah Lucas



The winning designs were chosen from 16 entries for their originality, artistic merit, portrayal of the theme and reproducibility. The Newton Marasco Foundation also is giving \$400 to the school's art department for supplies.

"We are proud to honor the artistic spirit and environmental stewardship of Loudoun Valley students," said Amy Newton, president of the Newton Marasco Foundation. "It is through our young people that Rachel Carson's legacy will live on."

The centennial of Carson's birth is May 27, and the foundation has numerous events planned to celebrate that. Visit [www.newtonmarascofoundation.org](http://www.newtonmarascofoundation.org) for more information.

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