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Local Middle School Winners of Lions International Peace Contest Announced

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From left: Joaquin Moraga Intermediate School art teacher Moose Wesler, Kate Dendinger, Nadia Alcantara and Erin Thomas



From left: Claire Jenkins, Stanley Middle School art teacher Robert Anke, Mia Travis, and Sabrina Lin



From left: Orinda Intermediate School art teacher Susan Weiss, Michelle Tang, Abigail Miller, Shaune Lundstrom, and Lion Bob Murtagh

More than 375,000 students, ages 11-13, will compete in the 27th annual Lions International Peace Contest which emphasizes the importance of world peace to young people everywhere.

The Lamorinda Lions Club hosted the local portion of the contest at all three middle schools in the Lamorinda area. A total of 280 students submitted posters and the local winners were awarded their prizes on Nov. 5. The winners were selected for originality, artistic merit and portrayal of the contest theme, "Peace, Love, and Understanding."

The winners are:

Joaquin Moraga Intermediate School: Kate Dendinger, Nadia Alcantara, and Erin Thomas
Stanley Middle School: Mia Travis, Claire Jenkins, and Sabrina Lin

Orinda Intermediate School: Shaune Lundstrom, Abigail Miller, and Michelle Tang

The winners will face stiff competition through the district, multiple district and international rounds of competition. One grand prize winner and 23 merit award winners will be selected. Many of the posters will be on display through January at the Lafayette, Moraga, and Orinda libraries.

The Lamorinda Lions Club is one of 46,000 worldwide. In addition to efforts toward conquering blindness, the club has made a strong commitment to community service and helping youth throughout the area. For more information about Lions activity, contact Bob Murtagh at (925) 283 1841.

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