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## ***Lions Club Youth Peace Poster Contest Announces Area Winner***

MIDDLETOWN NJ: Each year, Lions clubs worldwide sponsor the Lions International Peace Poster Contest. Children ages 11 though 13 enter their art work in poster form. This Contest encourages young people worldwide to artistically express their visions of peace. The district winner for the Lions Clubs in New Jersey's MD16-B is Juliana Wu, 13 of Holmdel, a student at the W.R. Satz Middle School there.



PHOTO: Winning Peace Poster for Lions MD16-B New Jersey created by Juliana Wu, 13 of Holmdel NJ. Juliana's Peace Poster is created in crayon. A high resolution view can be seen at [www.MLIONS.org](http://www.MLIONS.org).

The Lions Club Peace Poster Contest encourages youth the world over to express their visions of peace through art. The children use a variety of mediums, including charcoal, crayon, pencil and paint. Young people create art that is uniquely theirs in their expressions of peace.

Middletown Lions Club President Al Siano said, When Juliana, joined by her parents, first displayed her peace poster at a Middletown Lions Club meeting last September, several in our audience had the feeling we were looking at a winning entry. Juliana so beautifully expressed her views in crayon, including our small planet showed in peace on a water can, doves, smiling faces, people united, flags, peace signs, hearts, flowers and the watering can applying a shower to nourish the green background... The art communicates the importance, complexities as well as the simplicities of peace with richness and beauty. We applaud Juliana, a talented girl who has applied her talent and energy in a positive manner by expressing her vision of peace through art.

Each poster is judged on originality, artistic merit and expression of the theme. Posters advance through several judging levels: local, district, multiple district and international. At the international level, judges from the art, peace, youth, education and media communities select one grand prize winner and 23 merit award winners. Juliana Wu won the contest in New Jersey Lions District 16-B.

Lions Club District 16-B Governor Rich Campana said, "I am pleased that Juliana Wu's poster took the top prize for District 16-B out of our Middletown area Club. Juliana's entry represents one of the most beautiful Peace Posters produced in New Jersey and is quite an accomplishment. Juliana's abilities are impressive. *The contest itself is designed to encourage youth worldwide to express their vision of peace in art – Juliana work is an awesome expression.*"

The Middletown Township NJ Lions Club, established in 1946 is part of Lions International. This accomplished and active club locally is comprised of caring men and women who actively serve our community and also help to meet global challenges. The Lions Club is seeking new members and welcomes your interest please visit [www.MLIONS.org](http://www.MLIONS.org) to learn more. We are very far-reaching as we are joined by 1.3 million members in 202 countries and geographic areas conduct vision and health screenings, build parks, support eye hospitals, award scholarships, assist youth, provide help in time of disaster and much more. Join Us, We Care, We Serve. The Middletown Lions meet on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at the Holiday Inn on Route 35 in Hazlet NJ, call Lions Club President Al Siano at 732-671-0589 or email [president@mlions.org](mailto:president@mlions.org) if you would like to join us or help in some way.