

Photography contest held

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ST. MICHAELS Environmental Concern in St. Michaels held its second annual Shutterbug Classic Photography Contest Aug. 7. The evening included "Olly the Oyster" book signings with author Elaine Allen and illustrator Kelli Nash; a "Skins, Shells and Skulls Program"; children's book readings and Wetlands on Wheels Tour where children could make a Wetland Charm to take home. Phillips Wharf Environmental Center brought touch tanks for people to experience horseshoe crabs, turtles and oysters.

The photography contest was judged by Tim Chapman, president of the Tidewater Camera Club, Hunter Harris of Hunter Harris Aloft, and Pete Gregorio of Gregorio Gallery in St. Michaels. Winners of the adult category include: Gwen Davis, first place; Peter Hartjens, second place; Tom Luck, third place and Cody Cario, honorable mention. The junior category winners include: Megan Watts, first and second place, and Sophie George, third and honorable mention.

The 30 photo entries will be on exhibit in Environmental Concern's main hallway through October as well as on their Web site at www.wetland.org.



PHOTO BY ROXANE DOSTER WATTS Winners for this years Shutterbug Classic at Environmental Concern i St. Michaels included:from left, Peter Hartjens, second place in the adult catagory for his photo of the St. Michaels Harbour on a misty morning; Megan Watts, first and second place in the junior catagory for her photos of a broken robins egg and five frogs at ponds edge; and Cody Cario, honorable mention in the adult catagory for his photo of a marsh hibiscus. Also pictured is Suzanne Pittinger-Slear, president of Environmental Concern. Other winners not pictured include-Gwen Davis, first place winner in the adult catagory for her photo of a heron; Tom Luck, third place winner in the adult catagory for his infra-red photo of a landscape; and Sophie George for third and honorable mention in the junior catagory.