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## MEDIA RELEASE

### NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK ARAPAHOE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE POSTER WINNERS

This year, the National Crime Victims' Rights Week was held from April 26 to May 2, 2009. Crime victims, survivors, and those who serve them, joined together across America and celebrated this year's theme "25 Years of Rebuilding Lives: Celebrating Victims of Crime Act." This landmark legislation established the Crime Victims Fund, the only Federal program that funds services to help victims of crime.

In support of Victims' Rights Week, the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office sponsored a poster contest. Middle school and high school students in Arapahoe County were asked to submit an original poster of their interpretation of this year's National Crime Victims' Rights Week theme.

On April 30, 2009, the Sheriff's Office hosted a Crime Victims' Rights ceremony and announced the winners of the poster contest. The students who participated were extremely creative, making it difficult to judge the posters. The following winners (photos page 2) each received an iPod and iPod gift card:

#### Middle School Winners

1<sup>st</sup> Place - Emily Gill  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Mariel Goffredi  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Kirsten Hoye

#### High School Winners

1<sup>st</sup> Place - Beryl Allee  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Kathleen Lutchi  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Leah Hill

The Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office thanks all the students for their support and participation in this special event recognizing victims of crime.

For further information please contact Sheriff Grayson Robinson at 720-874-4165.



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Beryl Allee, High School 1<sup>st</sup> Place Winner



Emily Gill, Middle School 1<sup>st</sup> Place winner



Kathleen Lutchi, High School 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Winner



Mariel Goffredi, Middle School 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Winner



Leah Hill, High School 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Winner



Kirsten Hoye, Middle School 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Winner

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