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PRESS RELEASE

Edwardsville— Madison County State's Attorney Tom Gibbons has announced the winners in his 4th Annual Anti-Drug Poster Contest in honor of 2014's Red Ribbon Week which runs October 23-31, 2014.

Hundreds of Madison County students in grades 3 through 5 submitted a poster with this year's Red Ribbon Week theme "**Love Yourself. Be Drug Free**".

The winners will have their winning entries displayed on the 4th Floor, outside of the State's Attorney's Office, in the County Administration Building until the end of Red Ribbon Week. Further, each student will also receive a pizza luncheon for their class delivered by State's Attorney Gibbons.

Winners:

- 3rd Grade: Chloe Campbell, Bernard Long Elementary, Madison
- 4th Grade: Cecilia Parker, North Elementary, Godfrey
- 5th Grade: Tianna Thiems, Woodland Elementary, Edwardsville

The State's Attorney's Office received hundreds of submissions from various schools throughout Madison County. "I look forward to our poster contest every year. It's been great seeing what our kids come up with to represent the theme of each year's Red Ribbon Week. We appreciate the participation of our teachers who take time out of their busy schedules to work with their students on this important issue. I'm always pleased whenever we can get our children to stop and think about all the good that comes out of being drug-free."

The Red Ribbon campaign began in support of a murdered DEA agent who was killed in 1985 by drug traffickers. Displaying a red ribbon demonstrates support of a drug-free America. The annual Red Ribbon Campaign, held every October since 1986, is one of the largest drug-prevention campaigns in the country. More information can be found at <http://www.nfp.org/>.

Along with the winners, other finalists from each grade will also have their posters displayed at the County Administration Building. Posters were judged by a committee within the office.

Notice will be sent when luncheons are scheduled for the winners.

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