

## Mobile Area Water & Sewer System (MAWSS) News Advisory

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### MAWSS Recognizes 2010 Watercolor Winners



Winners in the MAWSS “Fun with Water” Watercolor Contest were recognized at a reception held Aug. 9. From left to right are Shelby Mitchell of WKSJ Radio, Ella Bedford of Knollwood Christian School, winner in the 6-8 year old category, MAWSS mascot Willy Water, Erin Rockwell of Murphy High School, winner in the 15-18 year old category and overall winner Leslie DeVoe of McGill Toolen Catholic High School.



Peyton Thomasson of McGill Toolen Catholic High School was the winner in the 12-14 year old category of the MAWSS “Fun with Water” Watercolor Contest for her painting titled, *Pool Jump in a Summer Sunset*.



Rebekah Vrachalus from Causey Middle School was the winner in the 9-11 year old category for her painting, *Sailing at Middle Bay Light*.

### **MAWSS Recognizes Winners of “Fun with Water” Watercolor Contest**

Mobile Area Water & Sewer System (MAWSS) recognized the winners of the 2010 “Fun with Water” Watercolor Contest Aug. 9, in the lobby of their office at 207 N. Catherine Street.

The contest, now in its fourth year, asked children and teens between the ages of 6 and 18 to paint a picture of their favorite summer activity involving water.

The Overall Winner was Leslie DeVoe of McGill-Toolen Catholic High School for her painting titled, *Sailing by Sunset*. DeVoe and her school received a \$100 gift card from Bel Air Mall.

Erin Rockwell of Murphy High School was the winner in the 15-18 year age group for her work titled, *Just Keep Swimming*.

Peyton Thomasson of McGill-Toolen Catholic High School won the 12-14 year age group for her painting, *Pool Jump in a Summer Sunset*.

Rebekah Vrachalus from Causey Middle School is the winner in the 9-11 year age group for *Sailing at Middle Bay Light*.

Ella Bedford of Knollwood Christian School won the 6-8 year age group for *Dolphins at Play*.

Winners for each age group received \$50 gift cards. All winning artwork will hang in MAWSS’ Catherine Street lobby for the public to enjoy over the next year.

Celebrity judges for the competition were Shelby Mitchell from WKSJ Radio, Thomas Harrison from the Mobile Press Register, Varion Walton from NBC15 WPMI- TV and Devon Walsh from WKRG - TV.

Each artist was recognized with a Resolution signed by the MAWSS Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners commending them for their work.