

BOONSBORO WINS 2017 WASHINGTON COUNTY ENVIROTHON



The 2017 Washington County Envirothon was held April 21, 2017, at the Claud E. Kitchens Outdoor Education Center at Fairview. Nine school teams and one teams of alternates from Boonsboro, Clear Spring, Hancock were on hand for the competition. Students were tested with hands-on activities in soil science, aquatics, forestry, wildlife, and “AGRICULTURAL SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP”.

Wooden plaques were presented for the top score in each area of study and each of the teams with the top three overall scores received a framed wildlife print for school display. Mr. Matthew Pine, CTE supervisor, Washington County Public Schools, and Ginger Noble, Washington County Soil Conservation District/Maryland Department of Agriculture, presented the awards for the overall first, second, and third place teams.

The Boonsboro Maple Tappers placed first in the competition and also took top honors in Soils. The team will travel to the Maryland State Envirothon at Camp Pecometh in Queen Anne’s County, Maryland, Wednesday, Thursday, June 14th through Friday, June 15th 2017, and compete for the chance to go one to the NCF Envirothon in Mount Saint Mary’s University in Frederick County, Maryland, in July 2017.

Team members, spent many hours preparing for the event and are looking forward to representing Washington County at the State level of competition. Boonsboro Envirothon coaches Steve Garland, Rebecca Sager, and Quinn Cashell are very proud of their team’s performance at this year’s event. Team members were: Hannah Whitmore, Jacob Zielinski, Zach Kotch, Brandon Cartee, and Sara Bittinger.

The Trailblazers 1 from Clear Spring High School placed second at the event. Team members were: Sean little, Ryan Weaver, Josh Davis, Taylor Thomas, and Cole Breakall.

The Pirates of Ozone from Boonsboro High School placed third at the event, with the excellent performance of team members Chris Li, Owen King, Dalton Crampton, Victoria Arnold, and Grace Moore. The team also placed first in the Aquatics.

Other winners include the Hancock Team 1 taking 1st in both Forestry & 5th Issue and Boonsboro team #6 taking 1st in Wildlife.

The Washington County Envirothon is an educational outreach program of the Washington County Soil Conservation District in cooperation with the Washington County Public Schools. Staff from the Washington County Soil Conservation District, Maryland Department of Natural Resources, University of Maryland Cooperative Extension Service, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, Maryland Agricultural Education Foundation, and the Maryland Department of Agriculture, provided resource professionals for training and testing of participants. Financial support comes from The Washington County Soil Conservation District, Washington County Public Schools, Clean Earth, Inc., Environmental Quality Resources, LLC., Frederick, Seibert, and Associates, Inc., Don Spickler Insurance, LLC., Ecotone, Inc., Meadville Land Services, Inc., Paul Crampton Contractors, Inc., Washington County Farm Bureau, Inc., Fox & Associates, Inc., Albright, Crumbacker, Moul, & Itell, LLC., C. R. Semler, Civil Planning & Design, Huntzberry Brothers, Inc., Ridge & Valley Forestry, Willard Agri-Service, Inc., James Reed Excavating, and Leggett's Wildlife Service.

2016 WASHINGTON COUNTY ENVIROTHON WINNERS

1st Place Winners – Boonsboro High School – The Maple Tappers



Left to Right

Hannah Whitmore, Jacob Zielinski, Zach Kotch, Brandon Cartee, and Sara Bittinger
(Coaches Steve Garland, Rebecca Segar, & Quinn Cashell)

2nd Place Winners – Clear Spring High School – Trailblazers 1



Left to Right

Sean Little, Ryan Weaver, Josh Davis, Taylor Thomas, Cole Breakall
(Coach Elizabeth Rohrer)

3rd Place Winners – Boonsboro – Pirates of Ozone



Left to Right

Chris LI, Owen King, Dalton Crampton, Victoria Arnold, Grace Moore
(Coaches Steve Garland, Rebecca Segar, & Quinn Cashell)