Howard County Library System

“Tween Sprouts” Take Top Three Honors at Fair
With Flowers From Enchanted Garden

Ellicott City, MD – Three members of Howard County Library’s Tween Sprouts: Enchanted Garden Club received top honors in the Howard County Fair’s Junior Flower Show on August 7 for their flower arrangement skills. Isabelle Nagle took home the blue ribbon for first place in the Artistic Division for Large Fresh Arrangements over 6 inches. Diana Sierra’s arrangement received second place honors and Naomi Sierra received third place.

The three girls attended a flower arranging class on July 26 as part of the HCLS’ Tween Sprouts: Enchanted Garden Club series. Howard County Fair entries were due two weeks following the class, so HCLS instructor Ann Hackling invited class participants back to the Enchanted Garden at the HCLS Miller Branch on August 3 to select fresh flowers for arrangements to be entered at the Fair which opened on August 4. The girls used mostly zinnias, sunflowers and some herbs.

The Tween Sprouts: Enchanted Garden Club is designed to help youth ages 9 to 11 discover the joy of gardening. During the six summer sessions participants learned to care for flowers, vegetables, soil, and the insects that help gardens thrive. The Enchanted Garden is a sustainable, community-based teaching garden for all ages located adjacent to HCLS Miller Branch.

PHOTOS OF FLOWERING ARRANGING CLASS AVAILABLE