

# Henderson League of Women Voters announces video contest winners

## Staff reports

The League of Women Voters of Henderson County recently announced in a press release its winners of its 2022 Student Video Contest for Middle School students.

The first prize of a \$250 Amazon gift card was awarded to Ari Nichols at Rugby Middle School, and the second prize, a \$100 Amazon gift card, was awarded to two students who tied and are also from Rugby Middle School: Aunica Tomlinson and the duo of Lauren Koch and Khloe Labruno.

Third place went to Caleb Marshall at Flat Rock Middle School.

In collaboration with the Henderson County Public Schools and private schools, the contest invited participants to create original, short videos clearly and creatively informing how we can all do our part to keep our county clean, the press release said.

League President, Brenda Sherrer, congratulated the four students who created videos about how everyone can help protect the environment. The LWVHC thanked the judges who gave their time and expertise.

According to the release, the judges were Graham Fields, assistant to the president of Advent Health and chair of Chamber of Commerce Education Committee; Jeff Jennings, president of ECO and a Founder of Friends of DuPont Forest; and Lucy Butler, who serves on the Henderson County Environment Advisory Committee and is a co-lead volunteer with Mountain True's water quality program.

In addition to the judges, many area merchants joined the LWV in support of this educational and creative endeavor including: Shermans Sporting Goods, Kilwin's, Pinball Museum on Main Street, Celtic Creamery, Mills River Creamery Team Ecco, Aquarium and Shark Tank, Elijah Mountain Gem Mine, Marco's Pizza, Second Act Coffee Shop.

The League members believe that engaging citizens and soon-to-be voters in issues they truly care about fosters a sense of community and impetus to vote, the release said. To see the winning videos on YouTube, go to [LWVHCNC.org](http://LWVHCNC.org).



**From left to right are Brenda Sherrer, President, Henderson County League of Women Voters; Aunica Tomlinson; John McDaris, Principal, Rugby Middle School; Ari Nichols; Khloe Labruno; Lauren Koch, Susan LaBorde of the Henderson County League of Women Voters. PHOTOS PROVIDED BY LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF HENDERSON COUNTY**



**Left to right are Brenda Sherrer, President, Henderson County League of Women Voters; Dane Lancaster, Assistant Principal, Flat Rock Middle School; Caleb Marshall; and Susan LaBorde of the Henderson County League of Women Voters.**