## **2010 Maryland Creative Problem Solvers**

# **Scholarship & Special Award Winners**

# **Scholarships**

Linda Seymour - St. Michaels Middle/High School - Rick Feutz Scholarship

Jesse Schwarz - Marriott's Ridge High School - Eric Dahl/Verizon Scholarship

Christopher Robeck – James M. Bennett High School – Pat Swanson Scholarship

## **Renaissance Award**

On our journeys we sometimes encounter exceptional travelers who entertain and enlighten us along the way. While the destination is creativity, these fellow travelers make the journey itself memorable. The Renaissance Award recognizes those among us who demonstrate extraordinary amounts of effort or outstanding skill in the areas of engineering, design, or performance.

### Bel Air High School – "You're Gonna Flip"

This team designed and created an anthropomorphic vintage sea-foam Kemore washing machine as their puppet. The puppet had animated arms, complete with working fingers. The washer's eyes, tri-colored lights, converted between AC/DC power, changed based on the washer's mood. Opening the puppet revealed the Live Visual Art, which spun, simulating the spin cycle of a washing machine. The design was effective and larger than life.

# **DaVinci Award**

The paths we follow on our journeys were once uncharted and unknown — until someone took a bold step in a new direction and paved a way for us to follow. In honor of one of humanity's greatest creative thinkers, the DaVinci Award recognizes those who clearly demonstrate that spirit of adventurous risk to reach truly new and unique destinations.

#### Richard Montgomery/Rockville High Schools – "You're Gonna Flip"

This a-peel-ing cast of fruits and vegetables produced a hilarious and well rounded performance. They went above and beyond scoring requirements by creating delectable costumes and luscious props to draw us into their world. Costumes utilized a variety of everyday food packaging to create giant fruit and vegetable costumes. Extension of the theme was enhanced by a working trebuchet/melon baller, which launched origami fruits made from over 1,000 pieces of paper. The live art was so unique, you could taste it. Bas relief panels were

made from freshly cut fruits and condiment glue. This team produced over five servings of fresh, outstanding creativity and nourishment.

# **Spirit of Discovery and Imagination Award**

This award recognizes those who act as superior role models in the areas of Spirit, Teamwork, Volunteerism and Sportsmanship.

#### **Dumbarton Middle School - "DO or DI"**

This team displayed great teamwork throughout the entire presentation from prep to the ending. There was an obvious team member that was shy and maybe a bit afraid. Her teammates continually walked over to her, put their arms around her, guided her to her positions, and provided her with verbal and physical praiser (high fives, telling her "You're doing great," etc.). It was so endearing and definitely an example of the "Spirit of DI."

# **Torchbearer Award**

This award honors project Outreach teams whose solutions have had extraordinary impact in and beyond their local communities.

### Catonsville Joy Howlers – "project Outreach"

This team's emotional presentation, press coverage, benefit concert and partnership with community sponsors generated over \$1,000 and awareness for their cause.