

# Chance for student artist's work to hang in the U.S. Capitol

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U.S. Rep Virginia Foxx is encouraging high school students from throughout North Carolina's Fifth Congressional District to submit entries for the 2013 Congressional Art Competition. The 2013 theme is "An Artistic Discovery," and the deadline for submissions to Foxx's office is Friday, April 19 at 5 p.m. Each spring, the United States House of Representatives hosts a Congressional Art Competition for high school artists. Winners are selected from each Congressional District and will have their work displayed in the United States Capitol for one year.

"Every year our country's top young artists have the chance to display



Photo courtesy of U.S. Rep. Foxx

**U.S. Rep. Foxx poses with last year's Fifth District winner, Noah Padgett.**

their work in the United States Capitol, where it will be seen by visitors from around the world," Foxx stated. "North Carolina's artists are among the nation's best and I always look forward

to seeing the strong talent of our local young people."

As in years past, Foxx is inviting the online community to decide this year's winner. A photo of each student's submission

will be posted on Foxx's Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/RepVirginiaFoxx](http://www.facebook.com/RepVirginiaFoxx). The piece that receives the highest number of "likes" will win, and the artist will have the opportunity

to travel to the United States Capitol for the installation of their work. Online voting will begin on Monday, April 22 at noon and will end on Friday, May 3 at noon.

All artwork must be two-dimensional.

Artwork must be framed by the artist at the time of submission. When framed, the piece can be no larger than 28" high x 28" wide x 4" deep.

Acceptable categories include: paintings, drawings, collage, prints, mixed media, computer-generated art, and photography.

Entries should be submitted to the 5th District Congressional Office:

Representative Virginia Foxx  
3540 Clemmons Rd,  
Suite 125  
Clemmons, NC 27012

Those with questions regarding the 2013 Congressional Art Competition may contact Congresswoman Foxx's office at 202-225-2071.

## Swingin' Into Action



Submitted Photo

James Streater and Leonard Jackson of the Winston Lake Senior Golf Association present a \$500 check to Andrea Hicks, youth director at the Winston Lake Family YMCA. The presentation came in advance of the Third Annual Youth and Family Charity Golf Tournament, which is scheduled to take place on Saturday, April 27 at Winston Lake Golf Course. All proceeds from the tournament will be donated to the Winston Lake Y to provide scholarship assistance for youth, families and other programs in the community. The format of the tournament, which starts at 9 a.m., is captain's choice. The fee is \$75 per person or \$300 per foursome. The fee includes green fees, golf cart, continental breakfast, lunch, prizes and refreshments. For more information contact the Winston Lake Y at 336-724-9205 or Vernon McHam at 336-972-2859 or [mchamv@bellsouth.net](mailto:mchamv@bellsouth.net).



Photos by Todd Luck

Cheerleaders, students, staff and family members cheer from the bleachers during the game.

## Team

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sports and their benefits. He was wide receiver at East Carolina University, where he earned a degree in child development and family relations. He expects to earn a master's in athletic administration from Northcentral University in the fall. Crowell's brothers, Germane and Angelo, both played in the NFL and are known for using sports to reach out to local youth.

Crowell said his players are taught youth basketball with only small modifications. Concepts like box-and-one defense and pick and roll offense make them formidable on the court, he said.

The team plays against other special needs students, both at home and away. The Polar Bears opened their season at Carter High School with a 39-32 victory. Crowell said the students look forward to their games.

"Their excitement level is out the doors; it's amazing," said Crowell. "Through the whole week they talk about 'Coach, when do we have practice? 'Coach, when is the game?'"

Lowrance Principal Dr. Val



Coach Juwon Crowell

Raynor said athletics is one of the ways the school teaches students that they have the potential to excel in many areas.

"Sports is just a great way to get them involved and get them active. They have such pride in

teamwork and pride in being able to participate in sports," said Raynor.

The school also has a cheer squad that performs numerous routines during games and Special Olympics track and field and bowling teams.

"Our goal and school theme is 'Reaching our Maximum Potential,' and we work toward that in every area of their development: academics and sports," said Raynor.

Last month's game was a rematch for the Polar Bears. They took on the Carter Wildcats at Hanes this time.

As players warmed up for the midday game, they were confident they could pull off another victory.

"We're going to win," eighth grader Jair Ortega said with the same big grin he showed on the court every time he got the ball.

Tyrek Patrick, also an eighth grader, said playing ball gives him a chance to prove his doubters wrong.

"I like basketball because people think I can't play, but I can prove to them that I can," said Tyrek.

The Polar Bears got their victory, besting the 'Cats 25-16.

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