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## Maxville student's art wins contest

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The announcement of the first ever Festival of Lights Christmas Card Contest winner – and the unveiling of her artwork Monday – provided a fitting lead into this weekend's holiday celebrations.

The 2010 award goes to Maxville Public School Grade 3 student Hayleigh Murray-MacDonald, whose card depicted a colourful local Christmas parade scene.

An organizing committee invited all Glengarry students to participate in the contest, which served the dual purpose of raising awareness and providing a fundraising mechanism for the Festival of Lights.

With the award, Hayleigh won \$150 in Alexandria and District Chamber of Commerce bucks for both herself and her school.

Her card, and those of seven other finalists, will hang in the Georgian House Restaurant & Day Spa for the month of December.

The Festival of Lights committee has produced 500 packages of cards to sell with Hayleigh's image. The 20-card packets cost \$10 each.

They can be purchased at Home Hardware in Alexandria, *The Glengarry News* and, during the festival, at the Scotiabank kiosk in Island Park. The kiosk will be open from 5 p.m. - 10 p.m.. For more information, please contact Bonnie McDonald at 613-525-2020.

The card announcement precedes the Alexandria Christmas parade and the official opening of the Festival of Lights.



**CONTEST WINNER:** Maxville Public School grade three student Hayleigh Murray-MacDonald is the 2010 winner of the Festival of Lights Christmas Card Contest. Shown here from left are Festival of Lights chairperson Bonnie McDonald, Hayleigh, Alexandria and District Chamber of Commerce president Ron Aubin.

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Both events take place this Sunday. The parade starts at 6:30 p.m. from the Glengarry Sports Palace. The festival opening begins at 7:30 p.m. at Island Park.

There are already 28 floats registered for the parade. If you are still interested in registering, please call Jacques Leblanc at 613-525-1549.