

# MIDWEEK IN "LITTERLAND"

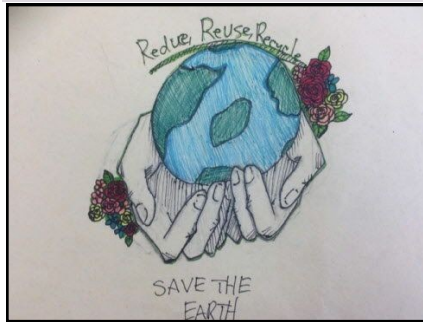
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## Staten Island contest names its winners

Posters designed by students will adorn Staten Island, N.Y.'s sanitation trucks. A contest was held to choose the winning designs. Below, by Ariana Santora, from Our Lady Queen of Peace School, Grade 8. At left, by Ryan Schnur, St. Christopher's School, Grade 4.



### **"Don't Litter, Recycle"**

The winners received \$100 gift cards and their schools were awarded \$1,000 each. It's an initiative trumpeted by the Borough President, James Oddo, Pratt Industries and the Department of Education, an effort to instill the anti-litter message in the very young.

## **Women can apply for new award**

The Kazzie Award, a new environmental scholarship for women set up in memory of the late Australian litter prevention guru, Karen "Kazzie" Curnow, is now open for nominations. Women around the world working in the fields of litter and the environment are invited to apply for all or part of \$7,500 in funds that [have been raised](#) in the few short weeks since Karen's passing. Deadline for applications is July 19, 2017. [Follow this link](#) for details on how to apply.

## Littering magistrates appointed

Delhi's High Court will appoint and designate dedicated magistrates strictly for handling littering cases. The bench then cautioned Municipal Corporations of Delhi to uphold and maintain cleanliness standards by ensuring their sanitation workers do a proper job and are subsequently paid for it.

## Irish number crunching not bad

Glounthaune, a village in Cork County, saw a bright fiscal picture at the end of the rainbow when it calculated potential revenue from fining everyone who littered: €19,000 a day.

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

Glastonbury Festival faced harsh criticism last year for the sea of rubbish patrons left behind. Visitors were no neater this year, but the event [won praise](#) because a small army of volunteer litter pickers quickly attended to the after-mess by working systematically night through dawn.

## **HEADLINE LITTER GRABBERS (JUN 25 - JUL 5)**

Some of what made our News Reel this week

### **"Own the 18" launched to spruce up borough [\(6/26\)](#)**

Staten Island is aiming to teach businesses the rules of sanitation prior to launching litter audits to include inspections, warnings and potential fines. "Own the 18" from June 16 to 18 asked home and business owners to tidy their frontages and 18 inches into the street.

### **UK weekly newspaper lays down challenge [\(6/27\)](#)**

Somerset County Gazette devoted its front page to announce a sustained campaign against litter in Taunton. It pledged ongoing articles to "educate, inform and empower" residents and to plug council's efforts such as the new, "responsive" [website](#) for complaints.

### **Hollywood's Will Smith and family clean up [\(6/27\)](#)**

The Greek island of Antipaxos got cleanup help from famous hands when actor Will Smith, wife Jada and daughter Willow, 16, and four others took time out from their Ionian cruise to load 22 bags with debris from three beaches. Willow posted the group litter pick and her commentary to her 2.3 million Instagram followers.

### **Outer space litter attacked by gripper [\(6/28\)](#)**

Stanford University and NASA have developed the Gekko Gripper for going after 170 million pieces of "space junk" estimated to be floating out there.

### **Wardens involved in litter enforcement [\(6/27\)](#)**

In addition to its team of litter enforcement personnel, Southport, England uses traffic wardens to enforce litter regulations during the busy summer holiday season.

### **Facebook 2.1 includes symbol for not littering [\(7/5\)](#)**

[Emojiopedia.org](#) reports that a Do Not Litter emoji is available on Facebook 2.1 as of July 5, 2017.