

The Bugle The Optimist Club of Whitestown

January 5, 2016



1/6/2016 – Club/BOD Meeting 6001 Club 6:30 p.m.

1/20/2016 – SOM Meeting Elk's Club 6:30 p.m.

2/3/16 - Club/BOD Meeting 6001 Club 6:30 p.m.

2/12/16 – Renaissance Rally @ High School



Taylor Klosek of Whitesboro High School is Student of the Month for January 2016

Taylor Klosek of Whitesboro High School is our January Student of the Month. Taylor is the daughter of Steven and Michele Klosek of Deerfield. Taylor's activities include National Honor Society, Regional Program for Excellence, International Club, Mathletics, Cybersecurity Job Shadowing, Girls Athletic Association, Track, Dance, and Piano. She has received the RIT Computing Medal. She is an Art Teacher/Tutor at the Midtown Utica Community Center and has volunteered at Deerfield's Annual Skeleton Run, the Landmark Society of Greater Utica, the New Life Church, Salvation Army Bell Ringing and has put together health kits for a medical mission to Peru. She is employed at the family business. Taylor follows her sister Stephanie as a Whitestown Optimist SOM. Stephanie was a SOM two years ago. We are sure that Taylor will give us an update on her sister at this meeting as well. The January SOM meeting will be held on January 20th at the Elks Club at 6:30 p.m.. Please plan on joining us to meet this outstanding student and her parents!!

Steven Gassner of Whitesboro High School Honored as December Student of the Month

Steven Gassner was honored by the Whitestown Optimist Club as our Student of the Month for December. Sean Ryan, a frequent speaker at our functions, spoke on Steven's behalf. We learned much about Steven's character and work ethic, which helped us understand how this driven student can accomplish so much. His long list of achievements was overshadowed only by his long list of ongoing activities, including being the editor-in-chief of the student newspaper, which Mr. Ryan stated has become "significant" again! Even though Steven has received much attention from various organizations, he stated that he was surprised/totally impressed that a local organization would take the time to acknowledge the achievements of local high school students and was grateful for this recognition by the Optimist Club. Steven has some tough college choices to make soon and we are sure that we will hear more about this outstanding young student in the future.

Student of the Month Program

Student of the Month Meetings will be held on the dates listed below, at the Elks Club at 6:30 p.m. The honorees are as follows:

January 20 – Taylor Klosek (Whitesboro)

February 10 – John Lacy (Oriskany)

March 16 - Claire Parisi (Whitesboro)

April 20 - Jacob Scott (Whitesboro)

May 18 – Alison Warmuth (Whitesboro)

June 1 – Camryn Mancuse (Oriskany)

SOM dinners in February and June deviate from the usual third Wednesday of the month to avoid school vacations and/or testing schedules.

You will note that some dates are not on the usual third Wednesday of the month. Those dates were changed to avoid conflicts with school vacations, exams and/or other events that our members attend. If you have not attended an SOM meeting, you should consider it as you will meet some outstanding young people and their parents!!

Please mark your calendars!!!

Valentine Raffle

Valentine Raffle tickets have been mailed to any members that did not receive them at a December meeting. If you have not received your tickets, need more or need posters, we will have them available at upcoming meetings or you can call (768-7943) or e-mail at jmhoke4554@yahoo.com to request them. Drawing will be at the February 10th SOM meeting.