

**NEW YORK – NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT
ACHIEVEMENTS & AWARDS PROGRAM FOR 2016-2017**

The New York – New England District shall budget, maintain and conduct an annual Achievements and Awards [A&A] Program approved by the Governor.

Starting in the 1996/1997 year, the District A&A Program has had two divisions: one for clubs whose October 1 membership is 35 or less; one for clubs over 35 members. The club in each division that accumulates the greatest number of points between October 1 and September 30 will be the District Achievement Winners. These clubs will be recognized as such at a District Board meeting after suitable time is allowed for receipt of all required reports and tabulation of the results.

The Achievement and Awards programs are administered entirely by each District in Optimist International. They are coordinated with the International awards program and modified each year to emphasize the goals of the individual District. Changes made in the program from year to year are designed to help improve club operation and leadership. Any changes are intended to be equitable for all clubs in the District and will be evaluated early in the administrative year.

An Optimist Club that is striving for attainment of specific quotas or goals in the International Awards Program will at the same time be progressing toward the companion goal of District A&A winner.

The District A&A Chair will obtain the information on individual Club achievements from Optimist International, the clubs and other sources. The description of the awards categories and points to be awarded are found on the following pages. Please note that several categories have bonus points.

The program uses data from quarterly report forms are requested from the clubs by the District A&A Chair. Data from reports made directly to International such as sponsorship of new clubs, subscriptions for Life Memberships, and payment of International dues will be reported by the District Secretary/Treasurer.

Credit will be given all activities conducted between October 1 and September 30 and reported by October 20 of the following administrative year. There will be no credit given for activities reported after October 20.

The A&A status will be reported quarterly at the District Conferences and on the District Web Site with the final standings issued in the second quarter of the following year. Following the official notification of the final standings of the A&A program by the A&A chair, clubs are granted one calendar month from the date of publication to protest such standings. Upon written receipt of any protests, the District Secretary/Treasurer shall notify that club that it has an additional thirty days in which to furnish proof substantiating its protest, otherwise the protest shall be dismissed.

PAST DISTRICT ACHIEVEMENTS & AWARDS WINNERS

1972/73	Chenango Valley	1987/88	Brothertown	2002/2003	Southern Ulster and Barge Canal
1973/74	Whitestown	1988/89	Sauquoit Valley	2003/2004	Lighthouse and Barge Canal
1974/75	Levittown	1989/90	Liverpool & Sunrise Lockport [tie]	2004/2005	Southern Ulster and Whitestown
1975/76	unknown	1990/91	Whitestown	2005/2006	Southern Ulster and Cicero-N Syracuse
1976/77	Sauquoit Valley	1991/92	Brothertown	2006/2007	Southern Ulster and Cicero-N Syracuse
1977/78	Whitestown	1992/93	Liverpool	2007/2008	New Windsor-Cornwall & Southern Ulster [tie] and Cicero-N Syracuse
1978/79	Sauquoit Valley	1993/94	Sauquoit Valley	2008/2009	Southern Ulster [tie] and Cicero-N Syracuse
1979/80	Whitestown	1994/95	Sauquoit Valley	2009/2010	Southern Ulster and Barge Canal
1980/81	unknown	1995/96	Brothertown	2010/2011	Liverpool and Barge Canal
1981/82	unknown	1996/97	Barker-Lighthouse and Sunrise Lockport	2011/2012	Liverpool and Cicero-North Syracuse
1982/83	Liverpool	1997/98	Newburgh and Barge Canal	2012/2013	Liverpool and Barge Canal
1983/84	Newburgh	1998/99	Rochester and Brothertown	2013/2014	Liverpool and Barge Canal
1984/85	unknown	1999/2000	Southern Ulster and Mt. Markham	2014/2015	Liverpool and Barge Canal
1985/86	Sauquoit Valley	2000/2001	Southern Ulster and Brothertown	2015/2016	???
1986/87	Sunrise Lockport	2001/2002	Southern Ulster and Barge Canal	2016/2017	???
1984/85	unknown	2000/2001	Southern Ulster and Brothertown	2016/2017	???