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**Local Student Wins Optimist Club Essay Contest**

**CITY, STATE/PROVINCE, STUDENT NAME**, a **YEAR IN SCHOOL** at SCHOOL, recently won the Optimist Club of **CLUB NAME’s** essay contest based on a theme of “**Essay Topic”**

**STUDENT LAST NAME** was awarded **AWARD** for the honor. In addition, the essay will be sent to the district level to be judged along with winners from other Optimist Clubs in the district. College scholarships are available for top winners at the district level.

“**STUDENT NAME** did a wonderful job of articulating this year’s theme. **HE/SHE expressed HIMSELF/HERSELF** well through the essay and deserved the honor of first place,” Club President **PRESIDENT’S NAME** said.

The Optimist Club of **CLUB NAME** has been participating in the Optimist Essay Contest for **NUMBER** years and has been active in the community since **CHARTER YEAR**. Other programs and service projects that the Club is involved in include **CLUB PROJECTS**.

Optimist International is one of the world’s largest service club organizations with 80,000 adult and youth members in 2,500 clubs in the United States, Canada, the Caribbean, Mexico, and throughout the world. Carrying the Mission Statement “By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in youth, our communities, and ourselves.” Optimists conduct positive service projects that reach more than six million young people each year. To learn more about Optimist International, please visit the organization’s website at www.optimist.org.

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