

# Highland Optimist Club recognizes 26 Highland High School at meeting for Youth Appreciation Week

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HIGHLAND – The Highland Optimist Club recognized 26 Highland High School Class and Club officers at their bi-monthly meeting held on November 20, 2017, at the

Highland Country Club. The event kicks off “Youth Appreciation Week”, which the Highland chapter has hosted in conjunction with Optimist International’s recognition of youth for over the years.

Mayor Joe Michaelis was present to read a City Proclamation and recognize the students for their efforts. Highland Community School Superintendent Michael Sutton and Highland High School Principal Dr. Karen Gauen were also in attendance to help recognize the students for a special dinner, program, and awards presentation. Illinois Senator Kyle McCarter gave a brief presentation and encouraged the Student Leaders to continue their leadership roles. Highland Optimist President Robert Dunn presented each student with a certificate of leadership. The event Chairman was Jay Boulanger.

Optimist International is one of the world’s largest service club organizations with 75,000 adult and youth members in 2,600 clubs in the United States and throughout the world. Carrying the motto, “Bringing Out the Best in Kids,” Optimists conduct service projects and events that reach more than six million young people each year.

To learn more about Optimist International and the Highland Optimist Club, please visit their Website at [www.highlandoptimist.org](http://www.highlandoptimist.org).