

## BELOIT POLICE DEPARTMENT



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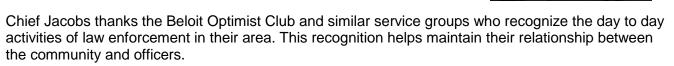
Chief Jacobs is pleased to announce the Beloit Optimist Club's respect for law enforcement tribute awards given on May 20, 2014. The respect for law tribute awards are given on an annual basis by the Beloit Optimist Club for exceptional work during the previous year. This year, three officers have received this award:

Officer Shannon Dykstra - City of Beloit Police Department Officer Leanne Jones - Town of Beloit Police Department Officer Dan Kouts - South Beloit Police Department

Each officer excelled in areas of particular interest to the Beloit Optimist Club. The Optimists' interests include the youth of the community, their well-being and safety.

Officer Shannon Dykstra from the Beloit Police Department was a recipient of the "Beloit Optimist Club Officer of the Year Award" for 2013 due to her professionalism and outstanding performance when assisting the Beloit Township Police Department with a kidnapping investigation, her efforts with helping to develop a new police training officer program and her efforts with helping the department with their goal of removing crime guns.

The Beloit Optimist Club honored Officer Dykstra along with Officer Jones and Officer Kouts on May 20, 2014, during their monthly breakfast meeting at the Road Dawg restaurant.



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