

Optimists give awards, scholarships



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Franklin County Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) received the 2023 Optimist Friend of Youth Award May 4 at Life Stream Church in Washington. Pictured, from left, are Julie Frankenberg, Optimist Club; Julie Pur-schke, Glenda Volmert, both with CASA, Megan Maurer, Optimist Club; Brandi Taylor and Mary Tinsley, both with CASA. Missourian Photo/Julia Hansen.



First-, second- and third-place winners for the Washington Optimist Club's essay contest were announced May 4 at Life Stream Church. Standing, from left, are Megan Maurer, Optimist Club; Gabrielle Lindemann, third place, Washington High School; Alexis Perriman, first place, WHS; Allie Stahlman, second place, St. Francis Borgia High School; and Nell Redhage, Optimist Club. Missourian Photo/Julia Hansen.