

The raucous crowd finally quieted down as the speakers made their way to the podium. Each member of the audience waited with anticipation as the occasionally quiet voices of our speakers began to share information about their journey. Before for us were Amaya Dirscherl, Levi Tyler, Sharon Esteche and Jordan Brotherton, this month's Students of the Month.

Our Inverness Middle School students Amaya and Levi spoke of commitment to their academics and to outside activities that take them beyond the classroom. Amaya enjoys cross country, track and tennis, but also has time to assist with Junior National Honor Society as the Vice President. Levi is more of the naturist enjoying hunting, but he is also deeply involved with his church. Both are off to a good start with a good understanding of what it will take to succeed.

Citrus High School dynamos Sharon and Jordan were bursting at the seams with all that they are doing or have accomplished. Jordan has a 4.81 gpa, is on the Academic Team, and attends the Computer Science Academy with the intention of getting a college degree in Computer Science from UF. When he is not busy studying, Jordan is involved in something called the "personal projects" club and also spends a lot of time at the Boys and Girls Club. They like him so much there that they brought several of the students to see him get his certificate! Sharon is very poised for her age and is quite the leader and public speaker. She is our Interact Club president and also attended S4TL last summer. In addition, she is a member of 18 clubs (several of which she is an officer), and is Vice President of her class. And in her spare time, Sharon has accumulated over 360 community service hours! Sharon wants to attend UF to get a degree in chemistry, and ultimately become an orthodontist. Something tells me, she will do that. All of these students understand that commitment, determination, compassion and service are all a part of their future success.

Other News:

*Interact gave us an update on what they are doing – For Polio Awareness, they painted purple nail polish on about 90 students, are assisting in the dictionary distribution, and are helping with the Relief Share medical supplies project.

*One Hundred Club has 18 spots to fill

*Brewfest is progressing nicely with additional sponsors and breweries (Don't forget your silent auction items or baskets!)

*CART activities/challenges coming soon

*Resource Center Christmas for the Children is now available

***Our Club Activities** –

Nov 18 – Relief Share or Path Demolition Project

Nov 28 – One Bag at Whispering Pines Park

Dec 6 – Blessing Pantry

Dec 9 – Christmas Party at Tom Slaymaker's House

Dec 13&20 – Church W/o Walls Food Distribution

(see our club calendar for details on DacDb or club website invernessflrotary.org)

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