

***NEWS OF AMERICAN LEGION POST 501 YOUTH PROGRAMS & SCHOLARSHIPS
FOR 2019***



Third District Oratorical participants met at Post 214, Darlington, WI, on Jan. 13, 2019. The participants are: Carter, Senior Monona Grove High School, sponsored by Post 501, Madison; Natalie, Senior Argyle High School, sponsored by Post 251; and Nicole, Freshman Barneveld High School, sponsored by Post 433.



Selected members from Madison Legion Post 501 include: John, Bill, Rick, Carter, our selected participant; Keith, Third District Cdr.; and Howard, Third District Americanism & Oratorical Chairman, Post 170, Mineral Point.



Cdr, Tom Stolarczyk, Monona Grove Senior, Carter and his mother, Theresa, and 3rd District Cdr. Keith Lovell, present the Dane County Oratorical Winning Scholarship, 1/5/2019.

Oratorical Scholarship Contest: this program presents participants with an academic speaking challenge that teaches important leadership qualities, the history of our nation's laws, the ability to think and speak clearly, and an understanding of the duties, responsibilities, rights and privileges of American citizenship. The individual must produce two speeches, one well thought out, and the other rather extemporaneously, beginning at the Post level, and if successful, moves on to the County, Regional and State level. Scholarships begin at \$600 at the Regional level, and up to \$2,000 at the Department (State) level, and if declared winner at the State, can go on to the National Oratorical Contest in Indianapolis. Scholarships begin at \$1,500, and if winning at the National, \$18,000 is the current payout, along with the \$3,000 also provided by attending and passing the first runoff.