

Steamboat Springs Teen Council – May Teen Of The Month

STEAMBOAT SPRING, COLORADO-Members of the Steamboat Springs Teen Council have selected Sage Turek as Teen of the Month for May, 2017 because she is an outstanding teen in our community and embodies the following values of Teen Council:

- Demonstrates that teens are valuable community assets
- Acts as a leader and/or a positive role model amongst his peers
- Committed to community service

A senior at Steamboat Springs High School, Turek's involvement in the community is evident in an array of activities, arts, athletics and academics.

Artistically, she is currently continuing her talent in saxophone and violin which she shares with her violin students. Many teens know Turek from the ice skating rink or high school fields, where she has been a strong figure skater since 2006 and is currently on the JV/Varsity lacrosse team.

Her involvement does not stop there, Turek has joined a variety of clubs including Knowledge Bowl, Gnosis Literary Magazine, Math Club, SMART Team, Model UN and is an active member in the National Honor Society.



Sage has accomplished many things throughout her life, but when asked what her greatest accomplishment so far is, she mentions being a part of founding the Steamboat Springs High School Math Club. Turek says, "I wanted a way for students to be able to connect to math in a way beyond their classrooms and find more fun in math." Thanks to students like Sage, many extra-curricular activities are able to be offered for high school students.

Motivation is a clear part of Turek's life. Sage commented that meeting new people with new interests keeps her motivated in and out of school. She specifically mentioned meeting kids through clubs and teams is a good way to do this. Turek finished her statement with, "I also think it's very important to give back to your community and this is one way to stay motivated."

In the near future, Turek will be attending the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill to major in biology and hopes to travel in the future helping governments administer vaccines and medicines.

Throughout high school, Turek dealt with some personal struggles such as maintaining her grades and understanding honors math. She had to decide if she wanted to continue taking these classes and ultimately resolved to carry on. It has been a challenge for her, but she feels it has made her stronger and taught her that she can do things she puts her mind to.

Turek has shown true dedication and diversity throughout her years here in Steamboat. Others may see Turek watching movies, hanging out with her brothers, playing chess or reading the Steamboat Today and solving crosswords.

Congratulations Sage! Sage will be awarded with a \$25 Chamber Gift Certificate and will be featured in the Steamboat Today newspaper. To learn more about the SSTC, please visit <https://www.facebook.com/ssteencouncil>

About the Steamboat Springs Teen Council: The SSTC, in its 10th consecutive year, works to increase positive leadership development, involve teens in the community at large, and provide substance free and alternative activities for youth. The program is sponsored by the City of Steamboat Springs and Grand Futures Prevention Coalition. The SSTC is funded through a grant from Routt County United Way and the Craig-Scheckman Family Foundation.

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