

DECEMBER 2006

ATHLETE NOMINATIONS

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Athlete of the Month

Winners will be announced later this month.
Congratulations to all the nominees.
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**ELGIN –
ADAM MCKEE**

Wrestling for the Elgin Comets, Adam was working on a very good year until a shoulder injury in late December ended his season and resulted in surgery. Up until that point, Adam was 9-3 with a 2nd-place finish at the Riverside Rumble and a 5-0 record at the Madison Plains Duals Tournament. The junior had already racked up 22 takedowns, 11 escapes, 3 reversals, 6 pins, and 10 near falls.



**ELGIN –
MOLLY CREAMER**

For the 4th year, Molly has been a consistent force in the middle for the Lady Comets basketball team. Averaging a double-double with 10 rebounds and 10.5 points per game, the senior is shooting 52.5% from the field. She also broke the school rebounding record early in the season, and by the end of December, had totaled 689 career rebounds. Molly has also had 22 blocks, 18 steals, and 22 deflections on the season.



**MARION CATHOLIC –
KYLE REIFF**

Scoring his 1,000th career point, Kyle has had a great 2006-2007 season through December for the Fighting Irish basketball team. Shooting 54% from the field and 60% from the free throw line, Kyle is averaging 20 points, 11 rebounds, 2 blocks, and 1 assist per game. An outstanding student and role model, Kyle's work ethic and leadership has been very beneficial to his young varsity team.



**MARION CATHOLIC –
HANNAH REIFF**

Hannah has led the Lady Irish basketball team in scoring and rebounding in over half of the games she has played with point outputs of 21, 23, 23, and 27. On the season, Hannah is averaging 17.36 points, 9.45 rebounds, and 3.18 steals per game. Her physical and dominating presence in the paint both offensively and defensively have made Hannah one of the top players in the Northwest Central Conference.



**MARION HARDING –
PHIL HADDAD**

A 6'4" post player for Harding, Phil is earning his 3rd basketball letter. Although slightly undersized for his position in Division I, the senior has definitely held his own shooting 52% from the field (29 of 57), 62% from the charity stripe (33 of 53), had 46 rebounds, and averaged 2.1 assists and 1.3 steals per game. Noted as a pleasure to coach, Phil also earned his 3rd letter in football earlier this school year.



**MARION HARDING –
SHAWNTA' DYER**

Working hard every day to grow and improve, freshman Shawnta' has put up some impressive numbers for the Lady Presidents basketball team. A 6'1" wing/pivot player, Shawnta' is shooting 56% from floor and 68% from the foul line averaging 20.4 points per game. She's also grabbed 69 rebounds, had 16 steals, 16 assists, and garnered 3 double-doubles through December.



**PLEASANT –
STEVE WILSON**

Wrestling in the 160-pound weight class for the Spartans, Steve posted a 14-1 record for the month of December. His impressive stats – 14 wins, 9 pins, 2 tech falls, 51 take downs, and 1 major decision – have earned Steve a number 1 ranking in the Central District Coaches Poll and the top ranking in both major state-wide polls for his weight class in Division III.



**PLEASANT –
LISA DUTTON**

A senior forward leading her basketball team by her example and consistency, Lisa has helped the Lady Spartans to a 9-2 record. Her outstanding start to the 2006-2007 season is only partially reflected in the statistics. Averaging 12 points per game, she's shooting 60% from the field and 72% from the free throw line. Lisa is also averaging 7 rebounds, 2.2 assists, and 2.4 steals.



**RIDGEDALE –
J.R. WESTON**

J.R. averages 26 points per game for the Ridgedale Rocket basketball team. Shooting 52% from 2-point range, 42% from 3-point range, and 70% from the charity stripe, the junior was only 31 points away from his 1,000th career point at the end of December. J.R. also averages 11.7 rebounds per game, along with 1.2 assists and 1.4 steals. A 4.0 student, J.R. also scored a 26 on his ACT.



**RIDGEDALE –
LIZ ROWLAND**

In the first 9 games for the Lady Rocket basketball team, Liz has totaled some nice statistics – although statistics don't reveal the total scope of her play. For the season through December, the senior has hit 19 of 63 shots for a 30% average, was 10 of 40 from 3-point range for 25%, and is shooting 10 of 26 (38%) from the free throw line. Liz also had 18 assists, 32 rebounds, and 14 steals.



**RIVER VALLEY –
MITCHELL POSEY**

Taking his role as co-captain very seriously, Mitch sets the example by working hard for his Viking swim team. Consistently placing 1st, 2nd, or 3rd, the senior swims 2 solo events – the 50-meter and 100-meter freestyle. Mitch also has great success with the 200-meter and 400-meter relay teams, which he anchors. He has been involved in swimming on a team since the age of 3.



**RIVER VALLEY –
SAMANTHA BIGFORD**

Samantha helped the Lady Viking basketball team get off to a better start in the 2006-2007 season than in previous years. The senior contributes through her consistent play, leadership abilities, and willingness to continue learning. Through December, Samantha has averaged 7 points, 5.5 rebounds, 2.3 steals, and 1.3 assists per game.



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