

FEBRUARY 2006

ATHLETE NOMINATIONS

Winners will be announced later this month.

Congratulations to all the nominees.

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ELGIN –
NATHAN COCHERL

A leader both on and off the court, Nathan's contributions helped the Comet basketball team to a 5-1 overall record during the month of February, 4-0 in MOAC play, a 3rd straight MOAC Red Division Championship, and a Sectional Championship. Offensively, the junior averaged 11 points per game shooting 59% from the field and 85% from the free throw line. Nathan also averaged 2 assists and 5 rebounds per game on the defensive side.



ELGIN –
MOLLY CREAMER

Molly contributed to the Lady Comets' successful 6-1 record during the month of February – 3-0 in the MOAC – not only through her basketball skills, but also with her leadership abilities both on and off the court. Offensively, the junior averaged 12 points per game, shooting 57.1% from the floor. Defensively, Molly averaged 8.4 rebounds and 2.7 blocks per game.



MARION CATHOLIC –
KYLE REIFF

A 6'5" junior captain for the Irish basketball team, Kyle is a combination guard/forward/center who led his team in almost all statistical categories. In his 2nd season as a varsity starter, Kyle also led the NWCC conference in scoring (21.9 points per game) and rebounding (12.1 per game). The NWCC named Kyle to their 1st Team where he was runner-up player of the year. He was also named 1st Team District 11 by the coaches and 2nd Team Central District by the media.



MARION CATHOLIC –
HANNAH REIFF

Leading the Lady Irish basketball team in most statistical categories, Hannah averaged 16.6 points, 9.7 rebounds, and 2.85 steals per game. Hannah's field goal shooting percentage of 51% tops the NWCC conference where she is the 3rd leading scorer, 3rd leading rebounder, and 5th in steals. The sophomore post-player earned 1st Team Central District, 1st Team District 11, and 2nd Team NWCC honors.



MARION HARDING –
ANDREW GUSHARD

Wrestling in the 135-pound weight class for the Presidents, Andrew had a great month of February. He ended the month with a 16-4 record, of which 12 of his wins were by pin. Two of his losses were to the eventual Division I state champion. Andrew was 2nd at the Delaware Invitational, 1st in the Greater Buckeye Conference, 1st in the Division I Northwest Sectional, and finished 5th in the Division I Northwest District earning him a place as a state alternate.



MARION HARDING –
SARITA FELICIANO

A co-captain, Sarita led the Lady Presidents basketball team to a 5-0 record during the month of February. Offensively, Sarita averaged 2.4 assists and 10.6 points per game shooting 50% from the floor. Defensively, she grabbed 20 rebounds and 15 steals. Earning her 3rd varsity letter, Sarita's outstanding play helped her team to its 3rd consecutive Division I Section title.



PLEASANT –
MATT REYNOLDS

Wrestling for the Spartans, February's 12-0 record saw Matt go undefeated for the 2nd straight month in the 112-weight class. His 36 wins earned Matt championships in the MOAC, Sectional Tournament, and the East/Central District Tournament. He took 4th place in the Division III OHSAA State Championship. Matt's individual accomplishments helped his team to MOAC and Sectional Championships, and a runner-up finish at the Districts.



PLEASANT –
LISA DUTTON

Lisa's quiet leadership took the Lady Spartan basketball team to a 6-1 record during the month of February. On offense, Lisa shot 59% (33 of 56) from the field and 61% (11 of 18) from the charity stripe. Her per game accomplishments saw averages of 11.1 points, 9.3 rebounds, and 3 steals per game. She also dished out an average of 1.6 assists per game.



RIDGEDALE –
JEFF GORENFLO

Piloting the Rocket roundballers to a 4-1 mark during the month of February, Jeff averaged 8 points, 7.2 rebounds, while shooting 80% from the free throw line. He also averaged 1 blocked shot, 1 steal, and 1 assist per game. Jeff's coaches say the stats are deceiving because he does so many things that are not recognized in a box score but are vital to the Rocket's success. Jeff is also a scholar athlete maintaining a 3.9 GPA.



RIDGEDALE –
MEGAN GALYK

Very coachable and always willing to do what is asked of her, Megan demonstrates a good work ethic for the Lady Rocket basketball team. In February, the senior averaged 12.4 points per game shooting 36% from the field, 20% from 3-point range, and 54% from the foul line. She also averaged 6.2 rebounds, 1 assist, .2 blocks, and 6 steals. Megan is not only a good athlete, but a very good student, as well.



RIVER VALLEY –
CLAYTON WETZEL

Wrestling in the 125-pound weight class for the Vikings, Clayton notched an 18-1 record during the month of February. A team captain, Clayton finished 2nd at the Bender Duals, 1st in the MOAC, 1st at the Sectionals, and 1st at the Districts. During those tournaments, he gave up only 2 offensive points to his 11 opponents while scoring 187 points himself. Clayton led RV in takedowns, near fall points, and pins.



RIVER VALLEY –
SAMANTHA BIGFORD

Samantha is an outstanding athlete for River Valley's Lady Viking basketball team. Averaging 9.8 points per game and shooting 51.4% from the field and 44% from the free throw line during the month of February, Samantha also delivered 4.6 rebounds, 2.4 steals, 1.8 assists, and 1.2 blocks per game. A good student as well as a good athlete, she carries a 3.34 grade point average.



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