



Athlete of the Month

OCTOBER 2004

ATHLETE NOMINATIONS

Winners will be announced later this month.

Congratulations to all the nominees.

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ELGIN – **SHAUN O'DONNELL**

Shaun has earned 4 varsity football letters, and is a team captain and a cornerstone on both offense and defense playing fullback, linebacker, and kick-off specialist for the Comets. Offensively, he's racked up 778 rushing yards, including 11 rushing touchdowns, and 52 yards on 3 pass catches. Defensively, Shaun has 12 solo tackles, 22 assisted tackles, 2 tackles behind the line of scrimmage, and a quarterback sack.



ELGIN – **JOCELYN UTE**

Second-year letter winner Jocelyn is a strong side hitter and all-around player for the Lady Comet volleyball team. She helped her team to their 9th consecutive MOAC Red Division Champ., a sectional champ., and a 17-7 overall record (11-2 MOAC). Jocelyn's impressive individual stats include: service, 89% with 9 aces; 91% receiving (led team); passing, 93%; setting, 100%; digs, 100% (led team); and attacking, 82% with 110 kills (led team).



MARION CATHOLIC – **BROC HURT**

Playing both fullback and linebacker, senior Broc led the Irish football team to a 5-0 October record, the league championship, and first-ever playoff appearance. Offensively in October, Broc rushed for 565 yards on 84 carries and scored 7 TDs. Defensively, he led the team with 44 tackles and 3 sacks. Broc's physical presence and natural game instincts on the field can be game altering.



MARION CATHOLIC – **DANA ROTTE**

The setter for the Lady Irish volleyball team, senior Dana is also a key defensive player and an offensive threat. In 22 matches, the 3rd-year letter winner was 96% at serving with 188 points, 76% serve receive, 83% passing, 96% setting, and 80% on attacks with 43 kills. Ranked 3rd in her class academically, Dana was chosen 1st Team Northwest Central Conference and was awarded 2nd Team Central District Honors.



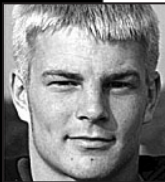
MARION HARDING – **MATTHEW WOODRUM**

A sophomore member of the Harding President's cross country team, Matthew ran very well throughout the month of October. The 2-year letter winner was 8th in the 15-team Harding Invitational and finished the season as a regional qualifier. A hard worker, Matt was named 1st Team All Greater Buckeye Conference.



MARION HARDING – **ALYSSA LUX**

A captain for the Lady Presidents soccer team for the 2nd consecutive year, Alyssa's 17 goals accounted for 95% of Harding's scoring and set a new school season record. This feat was phenomenal in that the 2003 team made only 6 goals the entire season. Senior Alyssa was named 1st Team All Greater Buckeye Conference, and is currently ranked 4th in her class academically.



PLEASANT – **KYLE CURREN**

Kyle was a force on defense from his line-backing position for the Spartans during the month of October. In that five-game stretch, he had 55 tackles, 28 of those being solo, 6 of them for loss, 2 quarterback sacks, and 1 fumble recovery. A tenacious player who was on the field an average of 28 minutes per game, Kyle also played on the offensive side gaining 226 rushing yards on 26 carries.



PLEASANT – **ERIN KUME**

Senior co-captain Erin led the Lady Spartan volleyball team to an MOAC Blue Division Title and the District Finals. A consistent player providing leadership, in October's nine matches Erin had 50 digs defensively with 85 blocks, 40 of them solo. She performed at a 91% serving rate and was 34 of 37 passing, 7 of 7 setting, and had 4 assists. Erin had 184 hit attempts and 159 kills.



RIDGE DALE – **SHANE OLIVER**

Playing both offense and defense, Shane racked up impressive statistics for the Rocket football team during their five October games. Offensively, he had 32 rushes for 271 yards and 5 touchdowns, 23 pass receptions for 282 yards and 1 TD, and a 72-yard punt return for a TD. Defensively, Shane had 22 tackles, 4 blocked passes, and 1 fumble recovery. The senior was named 1st Team MOAC at wide receiver.



RIDGE DALE – **JESSIE WHEELER**

A 3-year varsity volleyball player, Jessi became the team's first libero and put up incredible passing stats allowing the offensive game to excel and the team to succeed. The senior was 98% at serve reception, 96% freeball, and had 150 digs. Named 1st Team MOAC, 1st Team Central District, and honored as the Division IV 2004 Player of the Year, Jessi will participate in both the Central District and State All Star Matches. She also carries a 4.0 grade average.



RIVER VALLEY – **T.J. BADERTSCHER**

T.J. was the Viking's cross country first-place finisher in all meets he participated in, and was a medalist in 12 of 13 regular season meets. A 2-sport tall athlete, T.J. focused on cross country in October with golf having ended in September. The sophomore won the MOAC Championship and was the OHSAA Central District Champion. He placed 2nd at Regionals and was a State Qualifier.



RIVER VALLEY – **JESSICA CASTLE**

Jessica's on-court leadership and hard work piloted the Lady Viking volleyball team to a 7-3 October record and the District runner-ups. With an outstanding serve reception of 95%, Jessica led her team with 133 kills and 75 digs. She also was 90% at serve with 8 aces, 94% passing, and had 54 blocks. The senior earned 1st Team MOAC and 1st Team All-Central District honors, as well as Best Offensive Player and Best Defensive Player awards.



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