

VOLLEYBALL

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around good player. She kept us in a lot of important games."
Caryn Imman, Oxford: This three-year starter has helped Oxford enjoy much success during her career. A three sport standout who will play volleyball at Madonna College, Imman led the Wildcats in kills, attacking percentage and blocks, and she was among the team leaders in other categories. Imman was the top player in the First Metro League the past two seasons.

Sarah Krueher, Marletta: This three-year starter will play at Toledo next season after leading the Mustangs to three straight district titles and back-to-back state quarterfinal appearances. Krueher made the Class A all-state third team.
Sarah was outstanding for us this year," Marletta coach Joe Vondracek said. "She was our leader in kills, but she did so much more than that. She's a solid all-around player."

Erin Popple, Marletta: The Mustangs' other captain will head to St. John's University next year, but not before leaving her mark at Marletta. One of 10 finalists for the Miss Volleyball Award, Popple was named to the all-state second team.
"Erin was the heart and soul out there, the point guard, quarterback of this team," Vondracek said. "What set her apart was her drive. She is a great athlete who jumps well, goes hard for every ball and rarely makes a mistake."

Lauren Stuckey, Lahar: A repeat first-team, all-area selection, this four-year starter led Lahar to its second straight league championship. Stuckey posted 364 kills, had 343 kills a contest, 114 blocks, 114 digs and 100 blocks in 48 sets. Stuckey will be a preferred walk-on at Michigan State.

"She's very dedicated to both volleyball and academics," Lahar coach Margie Vassile said. "She came up with some big points for us and was consistently at the top of her game."
Tessa Kuykendall, Lahar: Few could match up with this dominating force who will play at Division I Rice University on a full ride scholarship. The All-Catholic player averaged 33 blocks and 15 kills a game. She was the top volleyball player in her region.

"She was our go-to all-around player," Mercy coach Ed Kuhl said. "You don't get 6-foot-3 girls all the time and definitely not those who play like Tessa. She would start on any team in the state, even the ones that played in the state finals."
"I just can't believe she only made honorable mention all-state. I don't see a better middle player all year, and that includes (Class A state champion) Fraser and a bunch of other ranked teams."

Courtney Paszwick, Marletta: The All-Catholic selection played much taller than what her frame indicates, as she was one of Marletta's leaders in kills and attacking.
"This year she was very consistent for us," Vondracek said. "Courtney was one of those players that worked hard in the off-season and really showed a lot of improvement. Even though she's smaller, she jumps so well, and that makes up for it."

Janine Pezisch, Marletta: Marletta's deep and talented lineup included this front row star who gave the opposition plenty of worries with her blocking and attacking abilities. Pezisch should be among the area's top players again next season.
"Janine is a very intelligent player,"

Vondracek said. "She was a hard hitter with a powerful swing, but she knew where to hit it. And she was an excellent blocker. She lined herself very well."
Amber Detrecho, Seabolt: Detrecho helped the Maples post a 28-15 record and second place finish in the OAA Division I with her ability to run the offense.
She posted 124 assists for a 17.7 per game average. Detrecho will play soccer at Central Michigan, and she was a four-year varsity player in that sport as well.

"She's as good a setter as we saw all year," Harmon said. "She ran the offense really well, didn't make many mistakes and was very consistent. You need that from your setter if you're going to be successful."

Megan Gales, Clarkston: Gales led the Wolves to a 30-12 record and a spot in the regional semifinals. Clarkston MVP had 551 assists and was 1,627-for-1,650 setting for a 98.6 percentage. She was also 331-for-352 serving for a 94.3 percentage with 61 aces.
" Megan was the catalyst of our offense," Clarkston coach Gordie Richardson said. "She has a great vertical jump, which adds to her all-around game. She passes well and serves well."

Jessica Janowicz, Farmington: This three-year starter came up big towards the end of the season, leading the Falcons (18-23) to a Class A District I championship as one of the area's top frontcourt players.

The team captain and MVP was named to the All-OAA Division I and All-Region first teams after slamming 252 kills (21 a game) with a 91.0 serving percentage and 23 digs a contest. She will play at St. Clair Community College, which was ranked in the top five in the nation last fall.
" She was just a great all-around player," Farmington coach Alex Pettin said. "When we needed something to happen, she was one of those kids who came through."

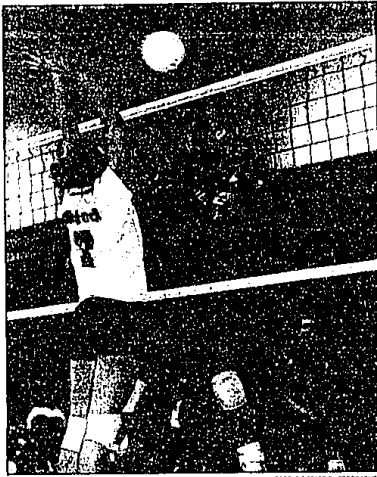
Maggie Condon, Hartsville: The Hawks' two-year captain and three-year starter was the go-to player, with 459 of her attacks hitting the floor for kills. Bound for St. Clair Community College, Condon made the All-OAA Division II first team and all-region second team.
" She was a four-year player for us and contributed more each year," Harrison coach Kevin Lastbrock said. "She is one of the best volleyball players we've had here. Whatever we needed, she did it."

"She was our best all-around, skilled player and a tremendous athlete," Pull said. "She's one of the hardest hitters I've ever coached," coach Patricia Latred said. "She plays three sports, never taking time off, and she's gaining post-season awards in all of them."

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Mercy senior middle hitter/blocker Tessa Kuykendall (dark jersey), who will play at Rice University next season, made the all-area first team for the second straight year.

blocks, 27 block assists and 203 digs.
" Ashley was our best all-around player," coach Krzyn Schneider said. "She really ran our offense really well. She has a very powerful serve and plays solid defense."

Rebecca Quinn, Oakland Christian: Quinn played on three league championship teams in the SAC and led her team to the regional finals this year.
" A team and league MVP, Quinn had 329 kills, a 27.9 kill percentage, five digs a contest and a serve reception percentage of 80.0.
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game. She was among the leaders in other categories, too. Burke will play at Bowling Green.
" Once she got started, she was a very good, consistent hitter for us, and she did a lot of things well for us," Harmon said.
Megan Carter, Lahar: Few were as consistent setting the ball as Carter, who compiled an impressive 811 assists (8.3 averages). She also had 171 digs and served 44 aces.
" She's very intelligent on the court," Vassile said. "She ran our offense extremely well. She's a leader out there, even though she's still a sophomore, and I think she'll eventually play at the next level."

Stephanie Bellano, Clarkston: Bellano made the move from outside hitter to the middle because of her team's lack of height. She finished with 129 kills and 76 kill tips; she was 325-for-357 attacking (91.1%) with a 310 kill percentage. Bellano also had 92 blocks and 185 for-204 serving for a 90.6 clip.
" She's a competitor and was a force for us all year," Richardson said. "She has great court vision and knows how to find the open spots in the opposing defense."
Jacqui Ludeman, Oxford: Teaming up with Imman to form a dominating one-two punch at the net, this three-year starter helped Oxford win two straight league championships and set school records for most wins, winning percentage and fewest losses as Oxford finished the season 46-31.
Katie Park, Rochester: The Falcons have won two league titles and finished second another time with Park in the lineup. Park

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FIRST TEAM
Sarah Graham, 5-11 senior, middle hitter, Birmingham Seaholms; Caryn Imman, 6-1 senior, middle hitter, Oxford; Sarah Krueher, 6-1 senior, outside hitter, Birmingham Marletta; Erin Popple, 5-10 senior, setter, Birmingham Marletta; Laurel Stuckey, 5-9 senior, outside/middle hitter, Bloomfield Hills Lahar; Tessa Kuykendall, 6-3 senior, middle hitter, Farmington Hills Mercy.

SECOND TEAM
Courtney Paszwick, 5-7 junior, outside hitter, Marletta; Janine Paszwick, 6-1 junior, middle hitter, Marletta; Amber Detrecho, 5-9 senior, setter, Seabolt; Megan Gales, 5-6 senior, setter/outside hitter, Clarkston; Jessica Janowicz, 6-1 senior, middle/outside hitter, Farmington; Maggie Condon, 5-11 senior, middle/outside hitter, Harrison; Anne Rosenwell, 5-10 senior, outside hitter, Mercy; Erin Daniels, 5-10 senior, outside hitter, Troy Athens.

THIRD TEAM
Ashley Miller, 5-8 senior, setter, Avondale; Rebecca Quinn, 5-8 senior, outside hitter, Oakland Christian; Rachel Bruttell, 5-7 junior, setter, Groves; Brigitte Durbin, 5-7 junior, outside hitter, Marletta; Courtney Burke, 5-11 senior, outside hitter, Seabolt; Megan Carter, 5-8 sophomore, setter, Lahar; Stephanie Bellano, 5-6 senior, middle hitter, Clarkston; Jacqui Ludeman, 5-9 senior, middle hitter, Oxford; Katie Park, 5-5 senior, middle hitter, Rochester; Brittany Kresky, 5-6 senior, setter, Athens.

FOURTH TEAM
Kathleen Wilson, 6-1 sophomore, middle hitter, Marletta; Deanna Gauer, 6-0 senior, middle hitter, Farmington; Rachel Rolph, 5-9 senior, outside hitter, Rochester; Liz Davidson, 5-9 senior, defensive specialist, Rochester; Jaria Adams, 5-8 senior, middle hitter, Southfield; Meredith Anderson, 5-11 senior, outside/middle hitter, Athens; Brittany Von Bulfin, 5-10 senior, setter, West Bloomfield.

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HONORABLE MENTION
Avondale: Amanda Schramel, 5-10 sr. Mkt; Oakland Christian: Christine McGraw, 5-4 jr. S; Allison Preh, 5-8 soph. Mkt; Country Day: Amanda Hart, 5-6 sr. S; Groves: Alex Herman, 5-11 sr. Mkt; Karen Fordwall, 5-7 sr. Olt; Marletta: Kendall Aker, 6-3 sr. DS; Ashley Watson, 5-4 jr. DS; Roper: Julie Heck, 5-6 sr. Olt; Liz Young, 5-11 sr. Mkt; Seabolt: Eben Bankert, 5-7 sr. Olt; Katie Wojewoda, 5-8 sr. DS; Jen Martini, 5-10 sr. Olt; Avondale: Emily Hase, 5-7 sr. Olt; Megan Cassel, 5-10 jr. Mkt; Cranbrook-Kingswood: Kaitlyn Blake, 5-9 sr. Olt; Lake Orion: Leah Hill, 5-9 sr. DS; Sarah Lee, 5-9 sr. Olt; Lahar: Ana Pandon, 5-7 sr. DS/Dr; Lea Hill, 6-2 sr. Mkt; Amanda Salva, 5-5 soph. DS; Sacred Heart: Natalie Work, 5-10 sr. Mkt; Jackie Studenski, 5-9 sr. Mkt; Clarkston: Ashley Hudson, 5-9 jr. Olt; Stephanie Perkin, 5-9 soph. Mkt; Springfield Christian: Alicia Weller, 5-6 sr. DS; Angela Forwell, 5-5 sr. DS; Farmington: Melissa Patterson, 5-10 sr. Olt; Lisa Holteboeck, 5-7 jr. S; Harrison: Diana Pelt, 5-6 sr. S; Jessica Condon, 5-8 soph. Olt; Mercy: Meredith Doyle, 5-7 jr. Olt; Sara Larson, 5-7 jr. S; Lake Orion: Rachel Popake, 5-9 sr. Olt; Lindsay Randazzo, 5-11 jr. Mkt; Lake Orion Baptist: Brittany Watterworth, 5-9 soph. Olt; Andrea Buntart, 5-4 sr. DS; North Farmington: Amy Beckel, 5-9 sr. Olt; Oxford: Heidi Parker, 5-9 jr. S; Lindsey Tarrant, 5-9 jr. Olt; Branine Gerbe, 5-3 sr. DS; Shannon Gerbe, 5-2 jr. DS; Rochester: Lindsay Knapp, 5-8 sr. S; Lauren Stoff, 5-11 soph. Mkt; Adams: Jenna Kues, 5-10 sr. Olt; Emily Walank, 5-8 jr. Mkt; Lara Nelson, 5-9 sr. S; Stoney Creek: Liz Klein, 5-10 soph. S; Katie Gales, 5-8 sr. Olt; Amanda Jain, 5-4 jr. S; Olt; Jackie Keller, 5-7 sr. S; Southfield: Lauren Smith, 5-7 jr. Olt; Tawsha Strong, 5-4 jr. Olt; Deonte Kollen, 5-9 jr. S; Southfield Christian: Erin Tanaka, 5-9 sr. Mkt; Julie Griffin, 5-9 sr. Mkt; Ashley Rankin, 5-4 jr. S; Southfield Catholic: Crystal Rowan, 5-9 sr. Mkt; Olt: Troy Athens: Christy Bowen, 5-10 sr. Olt; Mary Parker, 5-7 sr. DS/Olt; Erin Stadler, 5-8 sr. Olt; Troy Bethany Christian: Lori Jackman, 5-9 jr. Mkt; Lauren Kuhl, 5-7 jr. S; West Bloomfield: Sara Ferrara, 5-7 sr. Olt; Amanda Hodjins, 5-6 sr. DS; Eden Brand, 5-8 jr. Olt.

slammed 136 kills and 37 block hits, posted an 87.5 attacking percentage (.343-for-.383) and had 21 aces for Rochester, which was 12-0 in the OAA Division I.
" Katie always played hard and with a lot of confidence," coach April Hartis said. "She was never one to back down; she would do just about anything to keep the ball in play."

Brittany Kresky, Athens: The area was full of reliable setters and Kresky was among the best of them. A three-year starter, Kresky served 452 aces above the 900 mark.
" She was one of our best all-rites and she did a great job leading us all season," Merr said. "She was very consistent, a really good passer and server."

FOURTH TEAM
Kathleen Wilson, Marletta: An up-and-coming star for the Mustangs, Wilson made a grand voyage back this year while dominating the middle.
" She actually played freshman ball last season, but this year she improved so much and made a big impact," Vondracek said. "She

came a long ways in a year, and she did everything we needed her to do this year."
Dianne Gauer, Farmington: Another dominating front row star, Gauer will join teammate Janowicz at St. Clair CC next season. Named to the OAA Division I and all-region second teams, Gauer had 230 kills (15.7 average), 85 blocks and 26 aces. She had a 92.0 serving percentage.
" She was among our leaders in almost every category," Pettin said. "Dianne is just one of those solid all-around players. She's a very enthusiastic player and when she was on, we were in the game."

Rachel Rolph, Rochester: Rolph led the Falcons to a 26-7-6 record. She collected 74 kills, was 243-of-255 serving (.953) with 39 aces and rarely came off the court.
" Backed to a very skilled player and probably our hardest hitter," Hartis said. "When we needed someone to step up and score points, she would come through."

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