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Tri-Farmington



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Heather Scheffler
Troy Athens



Telen Najarian
Troy

2003 ALL-AREA GYMNASTICS TEAM

FIRST TEAM DIVISION I

GYMNAST
Jaime Balardi
Amanda Barlerian
Cheryl DeGrandchamp
Sarah Houchins
Shannon MacDonald
Gwen McConkie
Megan Delmeil
Ravin Raligh
Clara Seymour

SCHOOL
Rochester
Rochester Adams
Rochester Adams
Tri-Farmington
Rochester Adams
Troy Athens
Rochester Adams
Troy Athens
Tri-Farmington

YEAR
Senior
Senior
Junior
Junior
Junior
Junior
Senior
Senior
Senior

FIRST TEAM DIVISION II

GYMNAST
Kasia deSteiger
Meghan Giesl
Katie McGinn
Sheila Orosey
Kelsy Puffer
Lindsay Smith

SCHOOL
Rochester Adams
Rochester
Rochester Adams
Rochester Adams
Rochester Adams
Tri-Farmington

YEAR
Senior
Senior
Sophomore
Senior
Freshman
Junior

Coach of the Year
Sue Mussat

SCHOOL
Rochester Adams

9th Season

SECOND TEAM

Troy Athens - Julie Dzwiecki, Heather Scheffler, Tri-Farmington - Natalie Olesko, Kelly Patrick, Rachel Wasson, Troy - Telen Najarian.

THIRD TEAM

Rochester Adams - Allison Barbaquia, Ellen Keane; Troy - Mandy Hamilton, Krystal Karam, Andrea Klotz; Birmingham United - Paige Procter, Tri-Farmington - Dayna Warheit.

HONORABLE MENTION

Adams - Danielle Dudek, Emily Place, Sara Romulo; Birmingham United - Jaime Becharas, Jennie Dewitt, Meganne Gerwin, Troy Athens - Megan Cesarone, Carly McGee; Rochester - Becky Cypik; Troy - Jessica Manigold, Lisa Wall, Heidi Wheeler; Tri-Farmington - Caitlin McPherson, Alyse Quinn.

ALL-AREA

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TALEEN NAJARIAN, Troy: This Troy senior found all-around competition to her liking as she registered top efforts of 8.75 on vault, 8.65 on bars, 8.55 on beam and 8.3 on floor in her third season of action.

"Her confidence and motivation really changed this year," Troy coach Heather Orrowsky said. "It was her first year competing all-around and she showed great improvement on bars and vault."

NATALIE OLESKO, Tri-Farmington: A mainstay in the Tri-Farmington lineup the last four years, Olesko worked extremely hard to score season bests of 9.0 on bars and beam and 8.5 on vault and floor.

"She's one of our true high school gymnasts," Dwyer said. "She worked so hard and I'm so happy for her."

KELLY PATRICK, Tri-Farmington: What an impressive freshman campaign it was for Patrick. Not only was she instrumental in the team landing a third-place finish, but Patrick provided depth and dependability by

posting personal bests of 9.3 on floor, 9.1 on bars and 9.0 on vault and beam.

"She did great for us," Dwyer said. "She came in here with a ton of talent and peaked at the right time."

HEATHER SCHEFFLER, Athens: This Red Hawk junior turned in another strong season of competition that ended by placing 11th on vault.

"Vault is her best event, but she gained skills on bars and her techniques and cleanliness really improved," Fakhout said. "She did a great job at state competing on a strained ankle."

RACHEL WASSON, Tri-Farmington: Competing in her initial varsity campaign, this Tri-Farmington sophomore used her talents to record scores of 9.2 on vault, 8.8 on beam, 8.7 on floor and 8.1 on bars.

"Rachel is blessed with a lot of talent," Dwyer said. "We'll look for her to contribute even more the next two years."

THIRD TEAM

ALLISON BARBAQUIA, Adams: Injuries hindered this sophomore's development throughout the year, but she was still able to be a key contributor for the state champs.

Bars was her strongest event and she managed a season best of 8.65.

"She's a really hard worker, but she had some injuries to overcome," Mussat said. "We'll look for her to get healthy and do a lot more next year."

MANDY HAMILTON, Troy: The work ethic turned in on a consistent basis by this Troy senior was the key component in her excelling on vault, beam and floor.

Hamilton's top scores included 9.0 on floor, 8.8 on beam and 8.0 on vault.

"Her hard work day in, day out paid off for her," Orrowsky said. "She was very strong in all three events."

KRYSTAL KARAM, Troy: Half of Karam's senior season was spent battling back from a serious knee injury that forced her to miss the start. After receiving medical clearance, Karam turned into one of the area's top performers on vault and eventually qualified in that event at state.

"She finished second at regional and qualified for state on vault and that says a lot," Orrowsky said.

ELLEN KEANE, Adams: A part of the Highlanders success the past four seasons, Keane displayed tremendous improvement on beam and floor.

"She realized this could be it for her career and wanted hard and improved dramatically," Mussat said.

ANDREA KLOTZ, Troy: This sophomore's second season of competition was highlighted by her steady improvement on beam.

Klotz competed all-around for the first time and netched top scores of 8.8 on vault, 8.4 on floor and 8.1 on beam.

"Her big surprise came on beam where she really worked hard," Orrowsky said.

PAIGE PROCTER, Groves: Procter's second straight appearance on the Third Team was highlighted by an 8.65 on vault at regionals.

A sophomore, Procter was slowed by injuries the last part of the season.

"She has the potential to be a real fine gymnast," Groves coach Cynthia Tan said. "She made it to state on vault, but was injured between regional and state and it really slowed her down."

DAYNA WARHEIT, Tri-Farmington: Warheit's third varsity season included personal bests of 9.2 on vault, beam and floor and 8.5 on bars.

"She was one of our 'A' team all-arounders," Dwyer said. "She's one of the hardest workers you will see."

Mussat gains honor as area's top coach

BY JIM TOTH
STAFF WRITER

It's the program others would love to emulate. Rochester Adams' girls gymnastics team has become the Red Wings of hockey, Yankees of baseball and Lakers of basketball. Simply the best, and it continues to get better. And with a pipeline of talented athletes contribut-

ing to the success, the one constant throughout it all has been head coach Sue Mussat.

Wrapping up her ninth season in charge of the Highlanders program, Mussat again saw her total commitment result in total achievement - a girls state gymnastics championship.

The Highlanders followed up their heroic efforts of 2002 by repeating in 2003 and thus solid-

ifying Mussat as Eccentric Coach of the Year for an unprecedented fifth straight year.

"Every season is a new challenge, and you have to figure out team chemistry," said Mussat, who was forced to replace elite seniors from the title-winning squad of a year ago. "We found out quickly these kids have a lot of heart and a lot of character."

Those ingredients translated into a wire-to-wire top-ranking that included a state-record for scoring (150.800) and culminated with the Highlanders earning the 2003 MHSAA Lower Peninsula Girls Gymnastics crown.

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