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Dysart honors athletes of the month

DYSART SCHOOLS — The Dysart School District is pleased to announce its Dysart/Crown Trophy/Red Robin High School Athletes of the Month for March. Those receiving the honor for March are:

Dysart High School

Natalie Borges – Natalie is a talented tennis player and is currently holding the #1 spot on the team. But Natalie's tennis skill's is only one asset to the team. She is also a very strong leader and always leads the team by example. Natalie works hard at every single practice and game as well as being an extremely coachable player. She never complains and will do anything asked of her with enthusiasm. She always wants to improve herself and those around her. Natalie is also involved in the athletic training program on campus and is the student body treasurer. On top of all this, Natalie still has managed to hold a current G.P.A. of 3.8.

Marcos Herrera - Marcos is a senior on the Varsity Basketball Team. He is the kind of player that plays hard all the time, regardless of the score. He always pushes himself to be the best and has made himself a very good player through hard work. Marcos averaged just under 14 Points per Game, 2.3 Assists per Game, and close to 4 Rebounds per Game. Marcos is a great defender as well, grabbing 2.3 Steals per Game, and usually guarding the opposing teams' best player. Marcos was a big part of our team that went to the Semi Finals of the State Basketball Tournament. He is the Student Body President and a member of the National Honor Society. He does all of this while maintaining a 3.5 GPA.

Shadow Ridge High School

Rheyenne Rosales - Rheyenne is a freshman at Shadow Ridge High School. She is a dual sport athlete, excelling at both cheer and softball. Rheyenne is a team captain and starting short stop on the Junior Varsity softball team. She is a great leader and an outstanding softball player. Rheyenne currently holds a .675 batting average and is errorless in the field. Her hard work, wonderful attitude and ability to bring the best out of her teammates are unmatched amongst her peers. Rheyenne is also a great student, currently carrying a 3.5 GPA with 3 honors classes and serving on the SRHS student council.

Carlos Suarez - Carlos is freshman at Shadow Ridge High School. He is competing in his third sport this year, excelling at Cross Country, Soccer, and Tennis. Carlos made it to regional's in Cross Country, was a team captain for soccer, and is currently ranked number three in tennis for Shadow Ridge. Carlos is an outstanding student, maintaining a 3.85 GPA while taking two honors classes. Hard work and determination are two skills Carlos continues to demonstrate in all he does both on and off the playing fields. Carlos' care for his teammates is constantly demonstrated in his desire to assist and encourage

those who are just beginning a sport and his desire to compete against and improve alongside those who have played the sports for an extended time

Valley Vista High School

Jennifer Benjamin - Jennifer has been an outstanding track athlete and has been with the track program for 3 years. She is a very dedicated hard working athlete. When asked to try a new event or step up to replace another athlete in a relay, she does it without hesitation. She was a state qualifier in 2009 and we look forward to another strong season. Jennifer has also been on the varsity basketball team for 3 years. She has exceeded on all 3 areas of AIMS testing and has a 3.9 GPA. She will attend U of A for Premed to become an Orthopedic Surgeon. She is the FCA President and a member of Link Crew.

Ricky Jones - Ricky is an outstanding 3 year Varsity Baseball player. He plays right field and pitches. His fellow players call him "side arm slinger". He is in the top 5% of his class and has a 4.0 GPA. Ricky will attend the ASU Engineering camp over the summer and will attend ASU on a Provost Merit Scholarship for Engineering. Off the field you can find Ricky skateboarding or volunteering around the community.

Willow Canyon High School

Jordan Stangler - Jordan is a 3 year Varsity letter winner in both Track and Soccer, and a 2 year Varsity letter winner in football. In football, Jordan was first-team all region as a kicker and has been named one of the top 100 prep kickers in the nation. This track season, Jordan is the current #1 hurdler in the region, coming off a top 10 finish at state last year. In the classroom, Jordan has maintained a 3.18 grade point and is receiving attention from many colleges for his combination of academics and athleticism. Outside of athletics and academics, Jordan is the Vice President of Fellowship of Christian Athletes where he participated in culling fruit for the Westside Food Bank. Jordan also raised money for Haiti Relief and is a member of the Diversity Club and a Freshmen FAME Mentor on campus. Jordan's coaches describe him as a young man with outstanding character.

Kylie Strand - Although Kylie is only a freshmen, she has started out the academic year with an amazing 4.17 grade point, taking honors classes. She is currently maintaining a perfect straight A average and looks forward to maintaining this average all four years so she can attend the college of her choice. Kylie was a member of the volleyball team and is a current Varsity starter in Softball. Her stats are already impressive – she is top 15 in the state for strikeouts, she is hitting .442 and leads the team in RBI's. In addition, she has already hit 2 homeruns this season. Outside of school, Kylie volunteers her time as a youth coach for under-12 softball and is active in family events