

Denton Record-Chronicle

All-Area Basketball Team 2009-10

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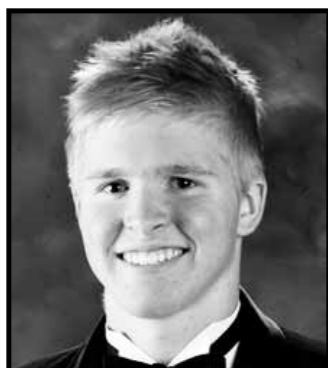
FIRST TEAM



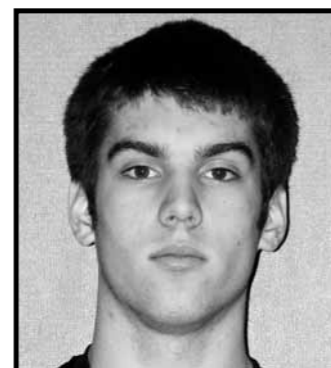
Keyvin Moss
G, Denton, Sr.
Notable: Moss was a floor leader, a top scorer and a defensive specialist for the Broncos this season. The senior led Denton to the playoffs for the first time in five seasons. He was best in transition and was considered one of the fastest players in District 5-4A. He averaged 14.4 points and 5.1 assists per game.



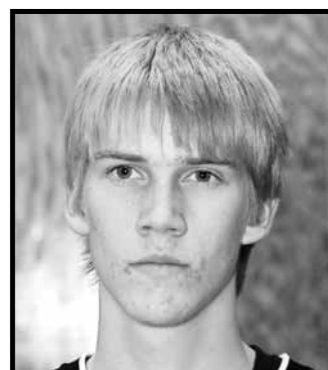
Adam Choplick
P, Ryan, Jr.
Notable: Ryan's 6-8 post was a big threat inside on defense and offense. He averaged 11.7 and 8.6 rebounds per game to help the Raiders claim a share of the District 5-4A title. His defense also often altered shots and frustrated opposing guards and forwards who tried to take over the paint.



Christian Scofield
G, Liberty Christian, Sr.
Notable: Scofield went out with a bang in his senior season, pacing the Warriors with 17.4 points per game while leading a rather balanced offense from the point guard position, dishing out 6.2 assists per game. Scofield was also a dangerous outside shooter, as he converted 41 percent of his shots from beyond the arc.



Clarke Overlander
F, Argyle, So.
Notable: The hot-shooting sophomore was voted the MVP of District 9-3A as he led the Eagles with 17.6 points per game as a lethal outside shooter. He also pulled down 3.2 rebounds per game and dished out two assists per game. He played a key part in leading Argyle to its fifth straight 25-win season.

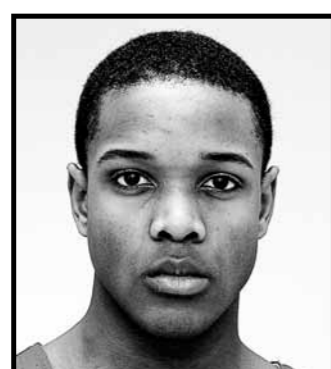


Hunter Svane
G, Pilot Point, Sr.
Notable: The District 10-2A offensive player of the year did it all for the Bearcats this season. He can shoot, rebound, pass and play defense and helped Pilot Point reach the playoffs. The senior, who also is a track star, averaged 17 points and seven rebounds per game. Last season Svane made the All-Area team as a junior.

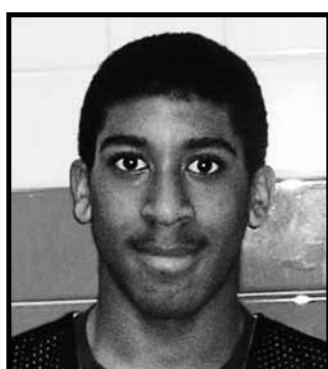
SECOND TEAM



John Kornet
F, Liberty Christian, Sr.
Notable: Kornet was a defensive force, as he was close to averaging a double-double on the season with 11.2 points and 8.9 rebounds per game. He was a pest to opposing teams inside, averaging nearly two blocks per game. But his services down low weren't all defensive, as one-third of his rebounds were on the offensive end.



John Johnson
G, Sanger, So.
Notable: The newcomer was a bright spot for the Indians as he led the team with 15 points per game and shot 43 percent from the field. He was a dangerous defender, as he led the Indians with 2.4 steals per game and pulled down nearly five boards. He scored 40 points in a win over Pilot Point.



Trey Mohair
G, Ryan, So.
Notable: Mohair was a defensive stopper for the Raiders. His best performance may have come when he shut down the Colony's Jordan Williams to help Ryan to a road win. Mohair also averaged 7.5 points, three rebounds and three assists per game. Mohair was named the District 5-4A defensive player of the year.



Kaleb Broadstreet
F, Ponder, Sr.
Notable: Broadstreet was inserted in the starting lineup this season. He was consistent all season when he averaged 12.5 points and four rebounds per game. His biggest attribute was the ability to knock down the three-point shot. He hit 82.3s and shot 41 percent from beyond the arc.



Doug Fryer
G, Argyle, Jr.
Notable: Fryer was a shut-down defender for the Eagles and often guarded the opposing teams' biggest players at just 6-2. He averaged 8.5 points per game but his presence was felt more on the defensive end as Argyle could rely on Fryer to lock down lethal scorers. He averaged 7.1 rebounds per game.

THIRD TEAM

Name, School	Pos.	Yr.	Notable
Mike Petzel, Pilot Point	P	Sr.	First-team 10-2A pick averaged 9 points and a team-high 10 rebounds per game.
Jordan Young, Ponder	G	Jr.	Front court standout scored 10.4 points and grabbed 5.4 rebounds for Broncos.
Rodney Brown, Denton	P	G	District 9-3A newcomer of the year averaged 6.5 points from point guard spot.
Connor York, Argyle	G	So.	Sanger swingman was solid all year with averages of 9.6 points and 5.2 boards.
Hayden Smith, Sanger	F	Jr.	

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER

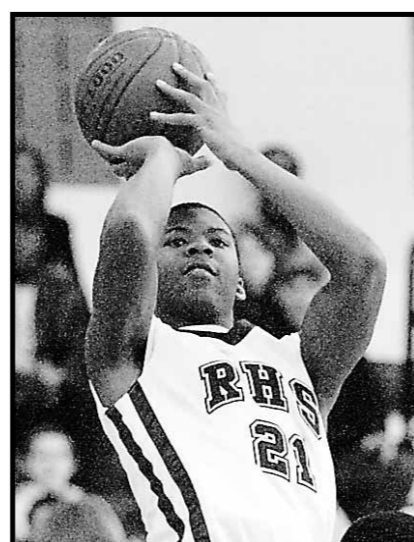
David Robertson
G, Ponder, Sr.



Notable: After transferring from Aubrey to Ponder before last season, Robertson was a key player on the Lions' second straight state championship team in the sixth-man role. But this season, Robertson finally was introduced with the starters for the Lions, and he made the most of it. The 6-3 shooting guard did everything for the Lions and led them to their third straight Class 2A state title under first-year head coach Jude Stanley. Robertson was the District 10-2A MVP, averaging 19 points per game to go with six rebounds and 3.5 steals. He was a strong outside shooter, connecting on 91.3 percent on the season. He was selected as a Texas Association of Basketball Coaches All-Star and was named to the all-state team.

OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

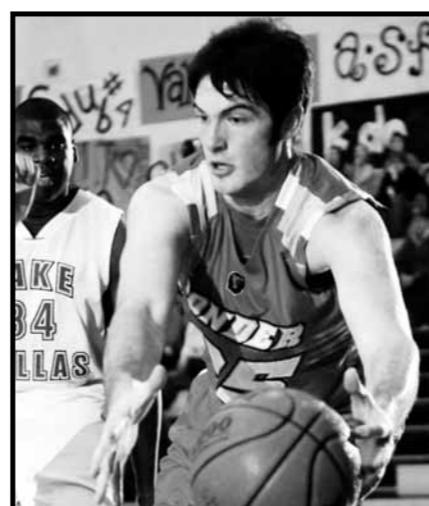
Bud Sasser
G, Ryan, Sr.



Notable: In the fall, one of Ryan's top athletes this year dominated the grass fields of the gridiron. He didn't slow down this winter when basketball season hit the slate. The smooth shooting guard was Ryan's leading scorer this year with a 15.7 points per game average. His big frame also helped him produce seven rebounds per contest en route to a co-district championship for the Raiders. Sasser's scoring average jumped two points when District 5-4A play began and it led to him sharing league MVP honors with The Colony's Jordan Williams, a Division I prospect. Sasser will bring his athletic ability to the University of Missouri next season when he plays receiver on the football team.

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Scott Gregg
P, Ponder, Sr.



Notable: Gregg has grown up as a stalwart in Ponder's lineup for four seasons and started growing into a threat during his sophomore year, when Ponder won its first of a string of three straight state championships. And each year, Gregg has become a bigger part of his team's success. This season, the 6-5 post was virtually a double-double waiting to happen in helping lead the Lions to the title under first-year coach Jude Stanley. He averaged 13 points per game to go with eight rebounds and two blocks. The dominant post player made a living off altering opponents' shots, if not blocking them, and landed on the Class 2A all-state team as well as the Texas High School Coaches Association all-star team.

COACH OF THE YEAR

Bryce Overstreet
Ryan



Notable: Winning games was always Overstreet's biggest concern when he stepped on the hardwood on Tuesday and Friday nights. But how the young coach won the games was also important to him. He loved to win with defense. During the 2009-10 season the Raiders did just that thanks to a 2-1-2 press defense that frustrated teams in District 5-4A play. His leadership helped guide Ryan to the playoffs for the second consecutive year, where it lost in the third round.

NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR

Ronny Garza
G, Guyer, So.

Notable: The sophomore long-distance threat scored 22 points in his first varsity game against Joshua, then followed that with a 20-point performance against Saginaw. Those two games to start the Wildcats' season were a sign of things to come for Garza, who was Guyer's most dangerous scoring threat, averaging 14.9 points per game and establishing himself as one of the hotter shooters from beyond the arc in the district. Garza shot 42.7 percent from the field, a very respectable number for a guard who generally makes his living from the outside. He also shot at a 36-percent clip on 3-pointers. Garza will be the building block for the Wildcats program, which will be transitioning to Class 5A next season.

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER

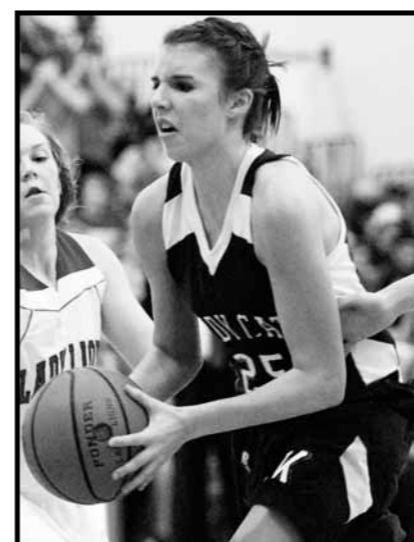
De'Amber Wilhite
G, Ryan, Jr.



Notable: Perhaps no other player in the area was as vital to her team as Wilhite was. She has been a force for the Lady Raiders since her freshman season and this year, her junior campaign, was her best. She averaged 21.3 points, 8.1 rebounds and six assists per game. She was a threat on defense with 4.8 steals per game. She played with a teammate first attitude and her leadership led Ryan to a share of the District 5-4A title and a long run in the playoffs where it lost in the regional semifinals. She had many highlights, but her best game may have come in the regional quarterfinals when she scored 35 points, grabbed nine rebounds, dished out six assists and stole six balls in a win over Fort Worth Dunbar.

OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Kirsti Degelia
G, Krum, Jr.



Notable: The Midwestern State signee was a dominant scorer for the Lady Cats all season. She led the team in scoring in 90 percent of Krum's games and helped guide Krum to the District 10-2A title in one of the toughest leagues in the state. She could score in the paint with her quick moves to the bucket or score beyond the arc with a smooth three-point touch. She averaged 22.8 points a game and also was a great passer by producing 7.2 assists per contest. She also was a threat on defense by snagging almost five steals a game. When she got to the foul line, it was rare when she missed. Degelia shot better than 80 percent from the charity stripe. She has been a starter for Krum since her freshman season under the guidance of head coach Lana Degelia.

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Colbea Harris
G, Argyle, Sr.



Notable: Harris has grown up as a player over the past couple of years. As a varsity contributor during her sophomore and junior seasons, Harris made her living as an outside scoring threat and was a dangerous three-point specialist for the Lady Eagles during her sophomore and junior seasons, as well as developing a game around the basket along with her defensive skill. In 2009-10, Harris was thrust into the role of being the Lady Eagles' point guard after playing previously as the team's two-guard more focused on scoring. Harris thrived in the role of being the floor leader and shutdown defender, as she averaged 12.4 points per game to go with 3.5 steals and 3.4 assists.

COACH OF THE YEAR

Lana Degelia
Krum



Notable: The Krum coach suffered a loss on Dec. 1 in a nondistrict game. It took until Feb. 23 for the Lady Cats to lose again when they fell to Peaster in the Class 2A Region II quarterfinals. The 2009-10 squad was thin in numbers, but abundant in experience as she had a starting lineup consisting entirely of seniors. At one point in the season, she was forced to play with seven players after a player left the team but still managed to lead Krum to a 24-game winning streak.

NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR

Teana Ogden
G, Guyer, Fr.

Notable: Being the floor general at the Class 4A level is no easy task, especially when that point guard is a freshman. However, Lady Raiders starting point guard Teana Ogden made it look easy. She was thrown into the lineup at the beginning of the season and for the most part looked like a seasoned veteran. Her press defense frustrated opposing perimeter players all season and her floor leadership helped keep some of the focus off All-Area MVP De'Amber Wilhite. Ogden averaged 7.5 points and three assists per game and was named 5-4As Newcomer of the Year. Ogden is expected to start all four years for the Lady Raiders and will be a key part of coach Monessa Allen's club for years to come.

GIRLS

FIRST TEAM



Jasmine Taylor
G, Denton, So.
Notable: Taylor is beginning to blossom as a young guard at Denton. Playing in only her second year at the varsity level, the sophomore was Denton's go-to girl all year and the team's only true scorer. Often double- and triple-teamed, she averaged 12.4 points, 4.8 rebounds, 3.2 assists and 3.8 steals per game.



Reagan Miller
G, Sanger, Jr.
Notable: The reliable floor leader was the co-MVP of District 9-3A after averaging 16.6 points per game to go with 3.8 assists and 3.5 rebounds. Miller was a vocal leader and led by actions as she paced the team with 19 charges taken. She was voted to the Texas Girls Coaches Association all-state team.



Courtney Gregory
G, Guyer, Jr.
Notable: Gregory heated up once district play started and played both guard spots for the Lady Wildcats. She was Guyer's most dangerous scoring threat as she hit 35 percent of her three-point attempts and was an 86 percent foul shooter. She went on a five-game stretch in district play where she made 26 3-pointers.

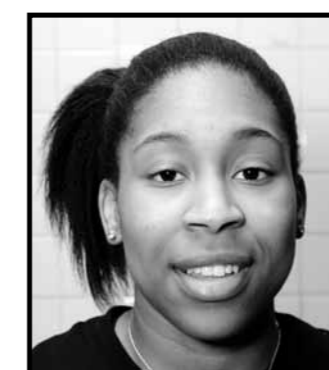


Jessica Sprabery
G, Ponder, So.
Notable: Last year the feisty guard burst on the scene as a starting freshman. She didn't slow down this year. She improved on all of her offensive numbers by scoring 17.9 points per game. She hit 95 shots from beyond the three-point arc and was named the 10-2A offensive player of the year.



Nicole Kornet
F, Liberty Christian, So.
Notable: The sophomore did it all did literally everything for Liberty Christian. She played guard, forward and even at times went down into the post. On the season, Kornet averaged 20.9 points and 6.3 rebounds per game. She was selected to the first team of the TAPPS all-state team.

SECOND TEAM



Keisha Blanson
F, Ryan, Sr.
Notable: This sharpshooter always seemed to hit a big shot when it counted. And most of the time, it was from beyond the arc. She was Ryan's best outside shooter this season and help the Lady Raiders to the regional semifinals. She averaged 11.5 points per game and was a consistent defender.



Claire Pettibon
G, Argyle, Sr.
Notable: The co-captain averaged 11.1 points per game to go with nearly three rebounds and three steals per contest. She also could be counted on to hit clutch shots, especially at the free throw line where she made 77 percent of her attempts. She was a first-team District 9-3A selection and a TABC all-region selection.



Tyne Deussen
F, Ponder, Sr.
Notable: Deussen was a big factor on the offensive and defensive side of the ball for the Lady Lions. The senior leader averaged 10.1 points, 4.08 assists and 2.4 steals per game. She also pulled down almost five rebounds per contest. Her leadership helped guide Ponder to the playoffs. Deussen also was a first-team 10-2A selection.



Brittany O'Brien
P, Argyle, Sr.
Notable: The senior post bounced back from a slow start in nondistrict play to help boost Argyle to its second consecutive District 9-3A title. She earned first-team all-district honors by improved her scoring average to 10.4 points in 9-3A play. She also was vital part of Argyle's state tournament run during her junior year.



Summer Fife
G, Liberty Christian, Jr.
Notable: Fife formed a formidable 1-2 punch with Kornet to lead Liberty to the state championship game, when Fife scored 35 points in an overtime loss. She averaged 15.5 points per game and 3.7 rebounds. Fife shot 31.3 percent from beyond the arc, and was named to the first team of the TAPPS all-state team.

THIRD TEAM

Name, School	Pos.	Yr.	Notable
Jocelyn Cook, Guyer	P	Sr.	Fourth-year starter was strong floor leader, second on team in scoring (9.1 points).
Erin Dickson, Krum	F	Sr.	Second on the team in scoring at 9.3 points per game, first-team all-district.
Katy Dodd, Krum	P	Sr.	District 10-2A defensive MVP also added 7.2 points and 2.2 steals per game.
Sidney Karr, Aubrey	G	Sr.	First-team choice in 10-2A was a senior leader during Lady Chaps' playoff run.
Presley Stasny, Aubrey	G	So.	First-team all-district guard led Aubrey in scoring. Also a solid perimeter defender.

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