

Swede athletes honored with SWC awards

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SWC VOLLEYBALL		
First Team		
Player	First Team	School
Sydney Schroer	Ogallala
Karalyn Jelden	Minden
Lisa Havermann	Ogallala
Emily Max	Gothenburg
Kenna vanBensen	Minden
Neale Stadler	Ogallala
Kendra Harbison	Cozad
Second Team		
Amanda O'Kief	Valentine
Chelsea Commins	Ogallala
Jayne Gordon	Broken Bow
Haley Hawthorn	Ainsworth
Ali Clark	Gothenburg
Carly Pirkelstein	Cozad
Haley Jones	Broken Bow
Jaccee Barta	Ogallala
Honorable Mention		
Dakota Clough	Ogallala
Halle Bauer	Minden
Michaela Peterson	Valentine
Beth Stevenson	Ogallala
Jordan Lichtenberg	Ainsworth
Jenn White	Minden
Kirstan Peterson	Ainsworth
Skyler Mathis	Valentine

Fourteen Gothenburg athletes have been honored by Southwest Conference coaches for their performance during the fall season in volleyball, golf, cross country and softball.

Volleyball selections to the all-conference teams were voted on by coaches.

Senior Emily Max makes a return appearance on the volleyball all-conference first team. The middle hitter was selected to the first team as a junior and made second-team all-conference as a sophomore.

Junior Ali Clark, who plays libero for the Swedes, made the SWC second team.

Ogallala had the most players honored with seven while Minden had four, Valentine and Ainsworth each three and Cozad and Broken Bow two apiece.

This is the second year the conference has recognized participants in golf and cross country.

Those athletes' positions on the all-conference teams were determined by their finish at the Southwest Conference meets.

Three golfers earned recognition. Sidney Thompson and Liz Graham made the all-conference second team while Jourdan Matthies got on the third team.

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Ogallala had five golfers on all-conference teams while Minden finished with four.

In cross country, four Gothenburg boys finished in the top 15 at the SWC meet to earn all-conference recognition.

Senior Andrew Collins, junior Luke Rehmert and sophomores Brett Dockweiler and Bryce Eggleston takes a spot on the all-conference team.

Ogallala matched Gothenburg's number with four boys on the all-conference team. Broken Bow finished with three.

No Swede girls finished in the top 15 at the conference meet. Broken Bow had six girls make all-conference with Minden and Ainsworth each qualifying three.

Five Swede softball players earned all-conference honors. Bre Messersmith, Vanessa Linegar, Shelby Eggleston, Roni Putnam and KaTrina Winter were recognized.

Cozad had four softball nominees while Minden earned one. There are only three Southwest Conference schools with softball teams.

In all, Ogallala earned the most overall all-conference selections with 17. Gothenburg followed with 14, Minden at 12 and Broken Bow 11. Ainsworth finished with nine all-conference spots while Valentine earned eight total spots and Cozad had seven.

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SWC CROSS COUNTRY		
BOYS		
Runner		School
Chance Miller	Ogallala
Sam Adams	Ogallala
Andrew Collins	.....	Gothenburg
Michael Schumacher	.....	Ainsworth
Jose Martinez	.....	Ainsworth
Brett Dockweiler	.....	Gothenburg
J.J. Bultman	.....	Broken Bow
Beau Billings	.....	Valentine
Derek Rosta	.....	Cozad
Bryce Eggleston	.....	Gothenburg
Luke Rehner	.....	Gothenburg
Patrick Wright	.....	Broken Bow
Harry Adams	.....	Ogallala
Greg Navyn	.....	Ogallala
Cody Dierking	.....	Broken Bow
GIRLS		
Runner		School
Matea Gallegos	.....	Ainsworth
Jena Miller	.....	Broken Bow
Laura Miller	.....	Valentine
Liz Shady	.....	Broken Bow
Chelsea Lindner	.....	Broken Bow
Emily Holmgater	.....	Valentine
Ashley Appelt	.....	Ainsworth
Alyssa Kinning	.....	Ainsworth
Kelsey Clark	.....	Broken Bow
Francesca Perosa	.....	Ogallala
Sydney Phillips	.....	Minden
Emily Pracht	.....	Broken Bow
Jana Hansen	.....	Minden
MacKenzie Nelson	.....	Minden
Lacey Clarke	.....	Broken Bow

SWC SOFTBALL		
Player		School
Carly Henry	.....	Cozad
Bre Messersmith	.....	Gothenburg
Anna Lebrant	.....	Cozad
Vanessa Linger	.....	Gothenburg
Shelby Eggleston	.....	Gothenburg
Lindsey Rogers	.....	Cozad
Jessica Finnegan	.....	Cozad
Roni Putnam	.....	Gothenburg
Brianna Gillespie	.....	Minden
KaTrina Winter	.....	Gothenburg

SWC GOLF		
First Team		
Player		School
Claire Kozisek	.....	Ainsworth
Allison Eastrom	.....	Minden
Laynee Woodward	.....	Minden
Alex Bauer	.....	Valentine
Morgan Kristensen	.....	Minden
Second Team		
Michelle Rasmig	.....	Valentine
Heather Anderson	.....	Minden
Kayla Kritz	.....	Ogallala
Sidney Thompson	.....	Gothenburg
Liz Graham	.....	Gothenburg
Third Team		
Emily Abbott	.....	Ogallala
Jacy French	.....	Ogallala
Jessica Kay	.....	Ogallala
Jourdan Mathies	.....	Gothenburg
Kyler Jasnoch	.....	Ogallala