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CLASS 8A-7A-6A FIRST TEAM



CRISTINA FINAN

Cypress Bay junior Position: Outside hitter Comment: Second-year varsity starter finished with 326 kills, 172 digs, and 55 aces; interest from Florida State and Central Florida.



KIRSTEN KUHL

Douglas senior Position: Outside hitter/setter Comment: Three-time first-team All-County selection had 273 assists, 187 kills, 123 digs and 116 service points; signed with Western Illinois.



NIKKI LYONS

St. Thomas Aquinas sophomore Position: Outside

Comment: Helped lead Raiders to state tournament with 221 kills, 102 digs and 58 aces. Interest from Hawaii, USC and FSU.



titles with 271 kills, 257 service points, 158 digs and 87 aces. Interest from FSU, UCF and North Florida. **ALEXA OBLAK** Western senior Position: Middle blocker



from injury to earn a BCAA All-Star game berth. Had 322 kills, 138 service points, and 71 blocks. **MACKENZIE ZIELINSKI**

Comment: Four-year varsity starter rebounded



AMANDA MEDLOCK

Western junior Position: Outside hitter Comment: Led team to back-to-back district

St. Thomas Aquinas junior Position: Setter **Comment:** Three-year starter had 733 assists, 135 digs and 70 aces to help Raiders earn state berth. Miami (OH), Connecticut and USF interested.

SECOND TEAM

Julia Lewkowicz	Coral Springs	So.	OH
Brooke Lyons	St. Thomas Aquinas	Sr.	MB
Gabi Matos	Western	Sr.	S
Ashley Navarette	West Broward	Sr.	L
Ana Pedraza	St. Thomas Aquinas	Sr.	L
Lauren Strode	Douglas	Sr.	ОН

HONORABLE MENTION

Archbishop McCarthy: Melissa Bandera, Natalia St. Thomas, Alyssa Savery; Cooper City: Heather Lockwood; Coral Glades: Jenna Cusack; Cypress Bay; Priscilla Ertty, Rachel Rivera, Ariella Slutzky; Douglas: Ryan Carroll, Christina Richars, Sydney Torres; Flanagan: Silvana Orozco; Hollywood Hills: Cl Emile, Jessica Emile, Drew Van Camp; McArthur: Yamina Bonilla, Marisa Fisher, Yamina Bonilla; Monan Dalana Adams, Tara Brannan, Daniella Thompson; Nova: Gabby Bailey; Pembroke Pines Charter: Nikki Brito, Ashley Cristantiello, Sarah Kerbel; St. Thomas Aquinas; Allison Belanger, Kimeko Borthe, Bridge Villano; West Broward: Samantha Arenas, Cassidy Bonito, Gabrielle Ellis; Western: Meaghan Gallaghe Molicsa Tawki

CLASS 5A-4A-3A-2A FIRST TEAM



EVITA CONWAY

Pine Crest senior Position: Outside hitter **Comment:** Four-year starter and team captain rebounded after missing half of the season with a concussion; had 148 kills, 128 digs and 12 blocks.



SAVANNAH DAVIS

Pompano Beach senior Position: Outside hitter Comment: FIU signee finished among team leaders with 291 kills, 138 digs, 114 blocks and 47 assists to help Tornadoes win district championship.



LINDSAY FOREMAN

Calvary Christian junior Position: Outside hitter/ defensive specialist

Comment: Three-year starter has earned interest from Liberty, UNC-Asheville and Georgetown after finishing with a team-high 420 kills and 337 digs.



ALIJACOBS

Cardinal Gibbons junior Position: Outside hitter/ defensive specialist

Comment: First-year varsity starter was team leader in service points (275), digs (181), and kills (140). Interest from Rutgers.



Sheridan Hills junior Position: Outside hitter Comment: Three-year varsity starter had 523 kills, 406 digs, 145 aces, and 42 blocks to help lead Sharks to second consecutive state tournament



ALYSSA OSBORN

CAITLIN MCCLUSKEY

Chaminade-Madonna junior Position: Setter Comment: Two-year varsity starter finished with 711 assists, 233 service points, and 90 digs. South Florida, Mississippi State and Missouri State are interested.

SECOND TEAM

Shirley Bazua	Cardinal Gibbons	Sr.	ОН	
Casey Calhoun	Pompano Beach	So.	S	
Pilar Irarrazabal	Sagemont	Sr.	OH	
Mac Kennedy	North Broward Prep	Jr.	S	
Jacqui Koebel	Chaminade-Madonna	So	OH	
Genna Luciano	Pine Crest	Jr.	MB	

HONORABLE MENTION

Cardinal Gibbons: Kayna Hillis, Sarah Martin, Francesca Saquaney, Savannah Stones; Calvary Christian:
Annie Harley, Bethany Taylor, Emily Taylor; Chaminade-Madonna: Amber Addison, Sydney Armbrister,
Brianna Little, Dillon Villella; Coral Springs Christian: Julia Lindbergh; Hollywood Christian: Daniela Garcia, Celeste Grimmett; Pine Crest: Samantha Breakstone, Nicole Rosenberg; Pompano Beach: Paige
Alston, Nikki Esposito, Corey Smothers; Posnack: Gabi Doobrow, Sharon Ghelman, Cory Kennedy;
Westminster Academy: Jenna Boland, Caroline Israels, Laura Peed, Ashley Roughen; Zion Lutheran:
Kaitlyn Redcker.

COACH OF THE YEAR



JASON JOHNSON

Chaminade-Madonna Comment: Johnson's young Lions put together another impressive season, finishing 24-4. They emerged from District 13-4A—one of the state's toughest —with the district title and advanced to the regional finals.



MARY BETH SHOAFF

8A-7A-6A Player of the Year - Hollywood Hills senior

Season highlights

The four-year starter emerged as one of the county's top setters and helped the Spartans to a regional semifinal berth as the District 15-6A runnerup. She had one of her biggest matches in a 25-22, 18-25, 25-16, 25-22 district win over Archbishop Mc-Carthy, with 30 assists, 13 service points and 10 kills. For the season, she had 545 assists, 213 digs and 132

Comment

A smart player who showed improvement year after year, Shoaff brought the best out of her hitters, and provided valuable leadership skills. She will be playing sand volleyball at Florida Atlantic next season. "Beth is one of those unique, special players that you come across very few times in your coaching career," said veteran Hills coach Jenna Andrews. "She gains the respect of not just her teammates and coaches, but of other teams' players and coaches.

"It's definitely a lot of work to be able to run the court, but you really just have to keep your own mind in the game. That's how you keep your hitters in the game. If you stay focused, they realize they need to give you what you're giving them. I definitely think the bond with my teammates made this season different. You could tell on the court how close we were. I tried to give 110 percent for them."

She's one of those players who gives her heart every single game. She took her leadership role and ran



EMILY O'NEIL

5A-4A-3A-2A Player of the Year ■ Chaminade-Madonna junior

Season highlights

Despite being an underclassman, O'Neil, a middle blocker, set out to become one of her team's leaders on the court and that translated to some big performances. She helped lead the Lions to the championship in District 13-4A, one of the state's toughest, and a berth in the Class 3A regional finals. She showed her big play ability in several matches, including a 24-14, 25-18, 24-26, 20-25, 15-7 win over Calvary Christian where she notched a season-high 23 kills, with five points, four digs and three blocks. For the season, she had 170 kills, 37 blocks, 33 digs and 25 aces.

Comment

A season ago, O'Neal shared the court at Chaminade with her sister, former All-County selection Brianna. After her sister's graduation, Emily O'Neil became one of the Lions' key hitters and has interest from several major college programs including San Diego, Kentucky and Iowa State. "Emily's just a really

"I've really come to love the game anymore and I feel like I've grown up on the court now. I've definitely been trying to get stronger, and that's one of the things I want to keep working on, getting stronger and being able to play more than one position on the court. I want to focus on improving my defense, my blocking and passing, so that I can become an all-around player."

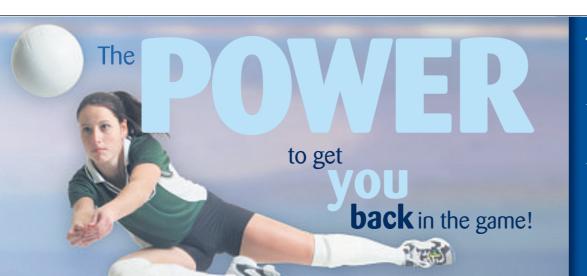
hard worker. She's kind of a perfectionist, and she'll put a lot of pressure on herself to perform. She uses that to her advantage," said Lions coach Jason Johnson. "She always wants to improve. She's a big, strong hitter and she wants to be the one her team looks to. She desires that role."

CLASS 8A-7A-6A COACH OF THE YEAR



JENNA ANDREWS Hollywood Hills

Comment: Despite having a team whose roster doesn't include many club players, Andrews led the Spartans to a 17-6 record, a berth in the regional semifinals and a runner-up finish in District 15-6A. In her 13 seasons as a varsity coach, she has amassed a 240-100 record with a .706 winning percentage. The Spartans notched several signature wins including victories over Archbishop McCarthy, West Broward, Cypress Bay and Pembroke Pines Charter.



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