Norlina Athletes Receive Honors At Annual Recognition Banquet

Members of Norlina Middle School's athletic teams received their school's top individual sports awards Tuesday, May 23 during the annual athletic banquet held in the school's cafeteria.

Although several individual athletes received top honors, every athletic participant received a certificate of participation.

Nicole Bolton and Antonio Davis received Norlina Middle School's highest athletic awards, for female and male athletes of the year.

Jeffrey Hayes, a Warren County native and 1985 graduate of Warren County High School, was the guest speaker for the occasion.

Hayes spoke to the student athletes, parents and guests about the importance of academics in relation to athletics. He challenged the students to give 110-150 percent of themselves in academics like they do in athletics.

"One day," Hayes told the crowd, "the ball will stop bouncing."

Hayes said although athletics are good for a person, it is best to concentrate on academic work. "You are representing your family and you are representing your community," he said. "But most of all, you are representing yourself."

Winners of engraved plaques presented by the school's coaches

CHEERLEADERS—Miss Dianne Evans presented the Most Valuable Cheerleader Award to Tamara Coleman; the Spirit Award to Kyiandra Somerville; and the Rookie of the Year Award to Patricia Salinas.

FOOTBALL—Coach William Fuller presented the Most Improved Player Award to Jason Semedo; the Team Before Self Award to Kenneth Smith; the Best Defensive Back Award to Erick Carter; the Best Offensive Lineman Award to Michael Williams; the Best Defensive Player Award to Willie Denton; the Best Offensive Player Award to Gary Russell; and the Most Valuable Player Award to Antonio Davis.

VOLLEYBALL—Coach Mrs. Cheryl Ward presented the Most Improved Player Award to Crystal Perkinson; the Best Defensive Player Award to Charity Seaman; the Best Offensive Player Award to Nicole Bolton; and the Hustle Award to Melinda Ross.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL—Mrs.
Joyce Long, coach, presented the
Most Valuable Player Award-7th
grade to Felicia Barnes; the Most
Valuable Player Award-8th
grade to Corletta Russell; Most
Improved Player awards to
Tonya Perkinson, Melanie Liming and Jennifer Jones; the Team
Before Self Award to Charity
Seaman; the Best Offensive
Player Award to Nicole Bolton;
and the Best Defensive Player
Award to Felicia Crews.

BOYS' BASKETBALL—Tommy Fleming, in the absence of Coach Stallings, presented the Mos: Improved Player Award to Jason Semedo; the Best Defense Award to Antonio Davis; the Most Improved Player Award to Michael Rawles; the Most Valuable Player Award to Erick Carter; and the Coach's Award to John Jackson.

SOFTBALL—Coach William J. Shulenburger presented the Team Before Self Award to Valerie Cooper; the Most Improved Player Award to Angela Davis; the Muscle Award to Charity Seaman; the Most Valuable Player Award-7th grade to Felicia Vaughan; the Golden Glove Award to Melinda Ross; the Big Stick Award to Corletta Russell; and the Most Valuable Player Award to Nicole Bolton.

BASEBALL—Coach Tommy Fleming presented the Coach's Award to Chris Stoen; the Extra Effort Award to Alvin Shearin, the Team Before Self Award to Eric St. Sing; the Big Stick Award to Antonio Davis; the Golden Glove Award to Michael Rawles; the Best All Around Award to Erick Carter; and the Most Valuable Player Award to Antonio Davis.



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Antonio Davis and Nicole Bolton were named Norlina Middle School male and female athletes of the year at last week's Athletic Banquet held in the school's cafeteria.



Baseball team members at Norlina Middle . School who received awards at last week's Athletic Banquet are, from left, Eric St. Sing, Michael

Rawles, Antonio Davis, Erick Carter, Alvin Shearin and Chris Stoen.

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Norlina Middle School's volleyball team members who received special awards at the Athletic Banquet held last week are, from left,

Valeria Cooper, Nicole Bolton, Crystal Perkinson, Charity Seaman, Melinda Ross, Janice Rudd, Cynthia Person and Tonya Crump.



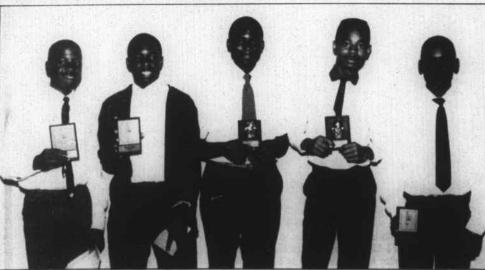
Members of Norlina Middle School's football team who received awards at last week's Athletic Banquet are, from left, Michael Williams, Kenny

Smith, Willie Benton, Kevas Hawkins, Antonio Davis, Erick Carter, Gary Russell and Jason Semedo.



Softball team members who received special awards at last week's Athletic Banquet at Norlina Middle School are, from left, Valerie Cooper, Nicole

Bolton, Angela Davis, Felicia Vaughan, Melinda Ross, Charity Seaman and Corletta Russell.



Members of Norlina Middle School's boys' basketball team who received special awards at the Athletic Banquet held last week are, from left, John

Jackson, Michael Rawles, Antonio Davis, Jason Semedo and Erick Carter.



Girls' basketball team members who received special awards at Norlina Middle School's Athletic Banquet held last week are, from left, Janice Rudd,

Nicole Bolton, Felicia Vaughan, Melanie Liming, Charity Seaman, Tonya Person, Tonya Crump, Corletta Russell and Tamika Hendricks.

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