Franklin’s Roberson selected as HCAC women’s basketball MVP

Greenwood, Ind. – Franklin College’s Lindsey Roberson (Greenfield, Ind./Roncalli) has been named the 2005 Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference women’s basketball Most Valuable Player. The junior guard helped lead the Grizzlies to their second straight HCAC championship. She averaged 17.9 points and 5.1 rebounds in 14 conference games. Roberson led the league in free throw percentage (82.1%) and three-point field goals made per game (2.75) during the conference season. She was also ranked fourth in scoring (17.9 ppg) and eighth in three-point field goal percentage (36.2%). Overall this season, Roberson averaged 16.3 points and 5.2 rebounds per game. She is a two-time first team all-HCAC selection.

Mount St. Joseph’s Krystal Clark (Cincinnati, Ohio/Taft) has also been recognized by the conference for her efforts during the season. Clark has been named the 2005 HCAC Freshman of the Year. She helped the Lions advance to the semifinals of the HCAC tournament and averaged 11.1 points and 8.2 rebounds per game. Clark, for the entire season, averaged 11.4 points and 7.5 rebounds per game. The freshman wing was fourth in the conference in rebounding, second in steals (2.57 spg), and eighth in blocked shots (0.79 bpg). Mt. St. Joseph completed the season 14-13 overall and 7-7 in HCAC action.

Franklin head coach Kim Eiler has been selected as the 2005 HCAC Coach of the Year. The first year coach guided the Grizzlies to their second straight HCAC championship and second straight HCAC tournament championship. Franklin finished the season 23-6 and earned its’ second consecutive trip to the NCAA Division III tournament. Eiler’s team put together a season-high, nine-game winning streak to close the regular season and HCAC tournament. Although in just her first year at Franklin, Eiler was previously the head coach at Goshen College for six years. She is the fourth different head coach to win the HCAC Coach of the Year award at Franklin.

Eleven players joined Roberson on the all-HCAC team. Twelve other players, including Clark, received Honorable Mention all-HCAC recognition. Clark also headed the five-member All-Freshman Team this season. A complete list of awards follows.

HCAC All-Conference:

Player of the Year: Lindsey Roberson, Franklin, Jr., G
Freshman of the Year: Krystal Clark, Mt. St. Joseph, Fr., G/F
Coach of the Year: Kim Eiler, Franklin

All-Conference:
Meghann Savard, Defiance, Jr., F
Meta Gerdng, Defiance, Sr., G
Kelly Vanderhorst, Defiance, Sr., F
Becky Ballard, Franklin, Jr., F
Lindsey Roberson, Franklin, Jr., G – MVP
Laura Little, Hanover, Sr., F
Tessa Bair, Hanover, Sr., G
Erica Sewell, Manchester, Sr., C/F
Katie Swart, Mt. St. Joseph, Sr., F
Emily Day, Mt. St. Joseph, Sr., G
Katie Boaz, Transylvania, Sr., G
Annie Rardin, Transylvania, Sr., G

Honorable Mention:
Emily Bailey, Anderson, So., F
Stacie Jennings, Anderson, So., C
Heather Terflinger, Anderson, Jr., G
Tanya Rickenberg, Bluffton, So., G
Karin Schaller, Bluffton, Jr., C
Ashleigh Stallkamp, Bluffton, Fr., G
Brittany Beehler, Franklin, So., G
Corey Roach, Hanover, Sr., C
Erin Ward, Manchester, Sr., G/F
Dede Quinn, Manchester, Sr., F/C
Krystal Clark, Mt. St. Joseph, Fr., G/F
Katie Holmes, Transylvania, Sr., F

All-Freshman Team:
Krystal Clark, Mt. St. Joseph, Fr., G/F (Freshman of the Year)
Lauren Vail, Anderson, Fr., G
Ashley Kisler, Anderson, Fr., F
Ashleigh Stallkamp, Bluffton, Fr., G
Kayla Mengerink, Defiance, Fr., G

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