

Fiedorowicz named to All-State squad

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One of the area's most decorated girls basketball players ever pulled in another honor Monday as Johnsburg's Paige Fiedorowicz was named a member of The Associated Press Class AA All-State first team.

Fiedorowicz was joined on the five-player first team by Oak Park Fenwick's Devereaux Peters, the lone unanimous selection, Morton's Tracy Pontius, Bolingbrook's Brittney Thomas and New Trier's Amy Jaeschke.

Fiedorowicz, a 6-foot-1 forward headed for Marquette, averaged 18 points and 10.5 rebounds a game for the 28-5 Skyhawks, who lost to Warren in the Mundelein Sectional championship game Thursday.

"It's really exciting, I didn't expect that at all," Fiedorowicz said. "It's a really nice honor. There's a lot of really good girls out there who could have been in my spot. I'm really happy."

Fiedorowicz, who scored more than 1,800 points and grabbed more than 900 rebounds in her four-year varsity career, was honorable mention AP All-State as a freshman and sophomore and made the second team last year.

"That is pretty cool. It's awesome and well-deserved," Johnsburg coach Mike Toussaint said. "Paige just does so many things."

Peters, who signed with Notre Dame, averages 16 points, 11 rebounds and 3.7 blocks per game. The 6-foot-2 forward was named on all 12 ballots cast by a statewide panel of sportswriters and broadcasters.

The Friars' all-time blocks leader and a returnee to the all-state team, Peters has been invited to the U.S. Junior Olympic Development Camp.

Jaeschke, a 6-5 center who is signed with Northwestern, averages 20.2 points, 12.6 rebounds, 3.8 assists and 6.1 blocks per game.

Pontius is a 5-7 senior guard who led Morton averaging 18.5 points per game and shooting 52 percent from the field for a Potters team that, going into Monday's supersectionals, had handed top-ranked Bolingbrook its only loss of the season. She has signed with Bowling Green.

As the leader for defending state champion and top-ranked Bolingbrook, Thomas averages 14 points, six rebounds, five assists and six steals per game. The 5-10 Michigan State recruit has more than 1,500 career points, 550 steals, 600 rebounds and nearly 500 assists.

The second team consists of Fenwick senior Alison Jackson, Gurnee Warren junior Sarah Boothe, River Forest Trinity senior Lykendra Johnson, Rockton Hononegah senior Courtney Weibel and East St. Louis junior Teandrea Smith, who was tied in points awarded with third-team selection Ellen Young of Salem but named on more total ballots than Young.

The remainder of the third team is Sterling senior Devon Carbaugh, Galesburg senior Brenna Saline, Champaign Central senior Hope Elam and Buffalo Grove junior Maggie Mocchi.

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