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CG-Belgium, Ozaukee players named to 2nd team in basketball coaches' vote

In a conference dominated by state-ranked teams Howards Grove and Oostburg, it was easy for local girls' basketball squads to become overshadowed this season.

At least three area players caught the eyes of coaches, however.

Cedar Grove-Belgium's Alyssa Schmitt and Ozaukee's Lizzie Janke were both named to the All-Central Lakeshore Conference second team.

Receiving honorable mention in the coaches' voting was Cedar Grove-Belgium's Briana Weavers.

Schmitt, a guard, led her team in most statistical categories, including scoring (10.2 points per game) and rebounding (6.4). The 5-foot-6-inch junior also averaged 1.6 steals and shot 38% from the field for the Rockets, who went 6-10 in CLC play.

"Alyssa had a great season for us," Cedar Grove-Belgium coach Josh Ketterhagen said.

"She was our offensive leader and did a great job on the boards for someone who's only 5-6. When she caught fire, she could shoot with the best of them."

Janke, a 5-5 sophomore guard, was the top player on a young Ozaukee team that didn't have any seniors. She averaged 8.7 points, 3.5 rebounds and two steals.

Janke was second in the conference in three-point baskets (26) and eighth in steals (32).

"Lizzie had a very good year for us," said Ozaukee coach Lee LeMahieu, whose team was 6-12 in league games. "She improved during the season and became a more complete player."

Weavers, a 5-7 senior center, was named the Rockets' most valuable player and top defender. She averaged 6.1 points and 4.2 rebounds and drew the tough assignment of guarding pivot players who were usually taller and stronger.

"Briana had another outstanding year. She was usually 'outheighted' every game, but really worked hard to give us a strong inside presence," Ketterhagen said.

Howards Grove and Oostburg, which shared the conference title with 15-1 records, each had two players named to the first team.

Howards Grove's Alexis Lindstrom was a unanimous choice and was joined on the six-player squad by Brianna Morgen.

Allie Paluchniak and Maranda Huibregste were Oostburg's first-team selections, with Paluchniak a unanimous pick.

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