

Players of the Week

Tom Zarlengo was Coach Dave Mattio's nominee for player of the week *on defense and offense*. He was that much of a standout in Marian Catholic's stunning 13-0 upset of Lockport.

Zarlengo is the choice here for defense.

While he starred on offense, he was just plain wonderful on defense. "He played like a demon out there," said Mattio.

THE 5-10, 190-pound senior linebacker, after Marina's first touchdown, stopped a Lockport comeback with a devastating sack of quarterback Tim Sartori.

Later he recovered a Lockport fumble behind the line of scrimmage and in the final period, protecting a two-touchdown cushion, he intercepted a pass.

On offense, Russell Johnson, who earned the honor earlier, is back. Running behind an excellent offensive line, Johnson carried 35 times for 286 yards. His runs included 53, 22 and 13 yarders. He scored three touchdowns in Rich Central's 41-12 victory over Tinley Park.

Rich South won a big game 15-14 over Kankakee Eastridge and helping to stop the Raiders was Coach Nick Misch's defensive choice mark Egofske, with six solo tackles, including two game-saving stops on breakaway runs and 10 assists.

COACH CARL ZAMBO named junior center Chris Wheaton as Hillcrest's best offensive player in a 16-12 win over Evergreen Park. "He played against a guy who outweighed him by 80 pounds," said Zambo. "He graded out at 84%, best any of our linemen have done this season."

Bob Niemi, senior linebacker, had six solos and seven assists to get Coach Tom Krysinski's call on defense at Homewood-Flossmoor.

Andy Formas, 140-pound junior safety, was Hillcrest's best on offense, returning three kickoffs for a total of 101 yards.

Scott Hooper set a Crete-Monee record with a 91 yard gallop, longest from scrimmage in the school's football history. He was named by Coach Dan DeCaprio, who picked Scott Smalley on defense - 16 solo tackles and three assists.

FULLBACK Dave Blake, nine rushes for 52 yards and an "excellent job of blocking," was the offensive choice at Rich South.

Starling Jenkins had two tackles, forced a fumble and recovered a fumble and played a major role in stopping Tinley's option attack to be No. 1 on defense for Rich Central.

Ron Furgason, playing "his best game of the year," was nominated on defense by Rich East coach Bob Lombardi. At linebacker, Furgason had four tackles plus nine assists.

In that Bloom over Bloom Trail 41-6, nominees for the Trojans were Brian Riley, offense, and Robin Wilson, defense, for Trail. Mark Doyle, offense, and Russ Fields, defense.

Previously named: (defense) Excell Harris, Rich Central; Mike Prior, Marian ; Tony Lombardi, Rich East; Ron Shupryt and Bob Tournour, Hillcrest; (offense) Emanuel Crockett, Bloom; Tony Lombardi, Rich East; Don Passmore and Russell Johnson, Rich Central; Kevin Newquist, Bloom Trail.

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