



Seneca Valley

Raider Athletes of the Month

January, 2025



The Female Athlete of the Month for January is girl's basketball guard Gracie Cato. The senior was a key contributor to a Raider team that won its first Western Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic League (WPIAL) section title since 1977. Her 18.8 points over a 10 game stretch paced the Raiders to an 8-2 record and the #3 seed in the WPIAL 6A playoffs. Gracie shot a team high 45.3% from the field and 35.1% from 3-point range. She also added 4.3 assists, 2.9 steals and 2.1 rebounds over those same 10 games. Gracie's stand out game came in a win over Pine Richland where she score 27 points, including a buzzer beating half court shot. Her efforts on the court were recognized by section coaches as she was named to the Big 56 6A Section One First Team. We recognize Gracie as the January Female Athlete of the Month. Congratulations Gracie!



The Male Athlete of the Month for January is sophomore boy's wrestler Riley Smith. Riley has had a stellar year wrestling at the 107 lbs weight class despite being only 100 lbs. His current record stands at 23 and 10, going 12-5 over the last month in section and tournament matches, a remarkable improvement after only seven wins last year. Riley's stand out performance came at the Brooke Classic wrestling tournament in West Virginia. He went 4-0 on the day and won the championship match 15-0 by technical fall to secure first place and his first ever tournament championship win. Riley will hope to make a run to Hershey for the state tournament. For an impressive month, we recognize Riley as the January Male Athlete of the Month. Congratulations Riley!