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NMAA Selects its February "Compete with Class" Honoree

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. -- The New Mexico Activities Association is proud to announce that the Clovis Girls Basketball Team has been recognized as the Compete with Class award recipient for the month of February.

A true act of sportsmanship was displayed by the Lady Wildcats before their game against Alamogordo in mid-February. Kim Buie, Alamogordo High School Varsity Cheer Coach, nominated the Lady Wildcats and shared this story: "As each team member from Clovis was announced and after acknowledging the opposing coach and officials, each team member went to the Alamogordo team's bleacher section and shook my hand and fist bumped an 8-year-old special needs girl named Bella. Their classy gesture made Bella's night, the little sister of one of the Alamogordo varsity cheerleaders. I have been a cheer coach in the state for over 20 years and have never witnessed such a heartwarming act of sportsmanship and kindness. Way to go Lady Cats!"

Sportsmanship is defined by the NMAA as the act of treating others in a respectful manner, taking personal accountability for ones actions, and responding with integrity while engaged in competition.

The NMAA would like to thank and recognize the Lady Wildcats for setting a great example for the state of New Mexico.

Their act of sportsmanship exemplifies the true ideals of the Compete with Class Sportsmanship Initiative - respect, integrity, and responsibility. More information regarding the "Compete with Class" sportsmanship initiative can be found on the NMAA website at www.nmact.org.

Note that the NMAA will announce a monthly honoree throughout the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year. Questions regarding this announcement can be directed to Dusty Young, NMAA Associate Director, at (505) 977-5385.

