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NMAA Selects its March “Compete with Class” Honoree

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. -- The New Mexico Activities Association is proud to announce that the Cobre High School Softball team has been recognized as the Compete with Class award recipient for the month of March.

Cobre’s Softball team showed sportsmanship when Chaparral’s special education student, Santana Carrillo, stepped up to the plate. *“They were all supportive and thrilled to help this young lady to feel a part of the team and the game,”* Patricia Garcia (Chaparral High School) stated. *“When Santana went up to bat, the pitcher was considerate and walked Santana. Once she was on base, she ran all the bases because the girls were hitting and doing well. Santana was able to score and when she crossed the plate she threw her hands up in the air screaming, ‘I DID IT! I DID IT!’ Her entire team cheered for her as if Santana had won the World Series.”* Carillo’s family became emotional seeing the support she had from her teammates and her opponents. At the conclusion of the game, Cobre awarded Santana with the game ball.

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 Cobre High School Softball team 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.

