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## Harding High School 2006 Homecoming Top Five

### Brittney Dangler

Being involved in soccer, leadership, Herald, choir, bowling, panorama, international club, varsity letterman, H.A.P.P.Y., solo and ensemble, Brittney Dangler, 17, is surely well-rounded.

She plans to go to Ohio State University for business, public relations, or advertising. Like the other girls the fact that Brittney was chosen by her peers makes it an "amazing" honor. She said, "We are all such a great group of girls!"

Her Aunt Sue-z is a great inspiration because she never gives up on her goals. Also Brittney's grandma has been a great service of inspiration because, "she loved everyone and everything. She is the strongest women I have ever met and always stood up for what she believed in."

As for the underclassmen, she says, "Have fun! The four years go by fast. Push yourself, and do anything and everything with school activities. You won't regret it!"



### Jessica Hardgrove

"It's a great honor," Jessica says about being on the homecoming court.

Jessica, 17, is a choir student and is on the swim team. Jessica was also involved in marching band and symphonic band for her freshman, sophomore, and junior year, and has also been involved in Singers and Rufus, softball and has been involved in the musical.

Jessica plans to go to Bowling Green for college to major in psychology so that she can work with children. She also wants to major in math.

Jessica feels that her grandma has inspired her, because she was sweet and hardworking, and Jessica strives to be like that.

As for advice for the underclassmen, Jessica says, "Don't sweat the drama, enjoy yourself, and have fun for the next few years." To seniors Jessica says "I really appreciate getting this chance. It means a lot being able to represent our class."



### LaShe' Jackson

LaShe' Jackson, 17, is very grateful to be voted into the Top 11. LaShe' feels it is an honor to be thought of in the same category as the other ten nominees. LaShe' is also thankful for all the love she has received from the student body.

Her number one inspiration is her mother, who has always been there for her and has been a positive influence on LaShe's life.

Throughout her high school career, Jackson has been a cheerleader for football, played on the basketball team, and participated in track and field. She plans to attend college after high school, and plans to earn a degree in massage therapy.

To all the underclassmen, LaShe' says, "Do good and be good in school because education is very important. Don't wait until the last minute to get started. And believe it or not, your senior year is right around the corner."



### Emily Norris

Emily Norris, 18, is honored that she is on the top 5. Emily feels it is "neat" that her peers voted for her to be in the top 5 for Homecoming. Emily is involved in Quiver, Cross Country, Track, Varsity H, Buckeye Girls State, and swimming. Emily enjoys Tim Hortons in the morning while in Quiver.

Emily has been the captain of the Cross Country team for the past two years, which shows that she is a good leader. Emily runs the 4x8, 4x2, 4x4, and the 400 in track. Last year, Emily made it to state for the 400, and made regional finals for all her other events.

Emily was also involved in choir for her freshman, sophomore, and junior year. Emily looks up to her parents because they have taught her to be honest and well-grounded.

Emily wants to go to a four year college and run track in college.

To underclassmen her advice is, "Be true to yourself and respect yourself."



### India Troutman

"Being in the top 11 means to me that I have an opportunity to be a positive role model to someone and maybe influence someone in some way," India says.

For India Troutman 16, Being nominated on top 5 is one more accomplishment to add to India's long list of activities she has been in during her four years at HHS, including varsity cheerleading, concert choir, women's chorus, Varsity H, and National Honor Society. India, 16, plans after high school to attend college and earn a degree in business and/or real estate. She would then like to become a business executive or a real estate agent.

India says her mother is her biggest inspiration. "She is a simple mother who works hard to provide for her child and has sacrificed many things on my behalf," India says.

India's advice to under classmen is to work hard and stay focused. India says, "Extend and enjoy your high school years while you can."



### The Top Eleven Nominees



Nominees for homecoming queen: (front row, from left) LaShe' Jackson, India Troutman (second row, from left) Ashley Brickner, Ashley Hunt, Brittney Dangler; Emily Norris (back row, from left) Kali Creasap, Michelle Bontems, Jessica Hardgrove, Melody Whittington, Sabrina Hartley. Because of a tie in voting, 11 nominees were chosen by their senior class.

## GOOD LUCK!

## Presidents look to overcome initial losses



Joseph Zucker  
Herald Writer

On September 15, Harding will play St. Charles Preparatory in the annual homecoming game.

Heading into the contest, the Presidents are 1-2 with a win over the Marysville Monarchs and losses to the Gahanna-Lincoln Golden Lions and the Mansfield Senior Tygers.

Harding is led by senior quarterback Phil Haddad, who is the Presidents' third one in three years.

Haddad says, "We should finish with a very good record, but you just have to take it one game at a time."

In their first game, Harding defeated Marysville, 17-14. After a 7:43 drive by the Monarchs, the Presidents stepped it up on defense, though, allowing only one more touchdown the rest of the game. Senior Bryson Faggs scored on a five-yard run to make it a 7-7 contest.

Faggs then scored again on a five-yard run to put Harding on top 14-7. Junior

Tyler Winger scored the last of Harding's points on a 24-yard field goal.

In the next matchup, the Prexies lost a heartbreaker, 14-13, to Gahanna-Lincoln. Harding fought valiantly the whole game. A 20-yard pass from senior Phil Haddad to senior Luke Severns tied the game at 7-7. Haddad threw another touchdown pass, this time to senior Kevin Hardy, making the score 14-13. That is how the game would end, though.

On September 8, the Presidents fell to Mansfield Senior, 27-21. After three quarters Harding was down 21-6. In the fourth quarter, Bryson Faggs scored on a one-yard run to make the game 21-13. Shortly thereafter, Drew Mosley caught a six-yard touchdown pass from Phil Haddad, and Harding then made the two-point conversion to tie the game up at 21-21. Then, late in the fourth quarter, Mansfield Senior scored on a 77-yard run to give them the win.

Best of luck to the Presidents the rest of the year.



The team gathers before the Marysville game.

## Michelle Bontems



Michelle Bontems, 17, is a distinguished member of Harding's 2006 Top 11 who, during her four years at HHS, has been involved in activities such as Singers, musical, Solo and Ensemble, Leadership, International Club, and many more.

Michelle's mother has been an inspiration to her. She has encouraged Michelle throughout her life to work hard to accomplish whatever she has set out to do.

Michelle is honored to be in the Top 11 and is wonderfully humble, believing that she is "very lucky to have been chosen."

After graduating high school, Michelle plans to attend college and will major in international business.

She gives simple, but worthwhile, advice to Harding's underclassmen when she says, "Just be yourself."

## Ashley Brickner



"I am very honored to be in the Top 11. It's awesome that my classmates think that highly of me." Ashley Brickner, 16, also wanted to "thank everyone who voted for me. It was an unexpected honor that I will always remember."

Ashley said that her inspiration has come from people in her life who have been there for her. Ashley is a varsity cheerleader and also in the Harding Art Club.

She plans to go to the Columbus College of Art and major in Industrial design.

For all the underclassman she says, "They should try and find the positive in everything they do."

## Kali Creasap



A nomination for homecoming queen is just another of the accolades Kali Creasap has earned while at Harding.

Kali, 17, has been highly active in the Harding music program. She has been involved in the Harding Singers, choir, band, musicals, solo and ensemble contests, and Panorama. Kali has also been a part of the softball team and last year was inducted into the National Honor Society. After graduation, Creasap will go to college to teach or perform on Broadway. Someday, she wants to open her own daycare center.

She would like to thank her fellow students for voting her into the Top 11 and thank her sister Heidi for being her major inspiration.

Kali has some advice for all the underclassmen. She says, "Just have fun and don't take anything for granted. It's a fun time and you are only here for such little time."

## Sabrina Hartley



Sabrina Hartley, 17, is ecstatic to be a Top 11 nominee for Homecoming Queen. "I feel honored and excited to be in the Top 11," Sabrina says.

Sabrina has been in a multitude of activities in her four years at HHS including Cheerleading, Leadership, Choir, Buckeye State Delegate, National Honor

Society, and youth group.

After high school, Sabrina plans to go to a four-year college. She is not sure what she wants to major in, but she is considering nursing. "Whatever I do, I just want to be able to help people" Sabrina says.

Sabrina's biggest inspiration is her family. "I am very fortunate because my family is supportive in everything I do and they sacrifice so much for me," Sabrina said. Sabrina's family helps her believe she can do anything she sets her mind to.

Sabrina's advice to underclassmen is to enjoy the time at Harding because the four years go by fast.

## Ashley Hunt



Ashley Hunt, 17, has spent her illustrious career at HHS participating in numerous activities—Choir, Leadership, Panorama, National Honors Society, Multinational Club, Women's Chorus, and many more.

Throughout her life, she has drawn great inspiration from her parents, who she says have stuck by her throughout her life and been encouraging and supportive. Ashley considers it an honor to be in the Top 11 and is excited about sharing the experience.

After graduating, Ashley plans to go on to college and will major in nursing.

She has some words of wisdom for Harding's underclassmen. "Don't worry about what other people think of you, and have fun because high school goes really fast."

## Melody Whittington



Melody Whittington, 18, says, "It is an honor to be in the top 11. I am very grateful to experience this opportunity with some of the sweetest group of girls."

Inspiration can sometimes be a hard thing to come by, but Melody has several people who support and inspire her. Her grandmother has offered the most

inspiration. "She is loving and caring to everyone. She has always been there for me."

Being involved in such things as swim team, track, FCA, art club, and choir, Melody is the ideal student.

She plans to become a teacher and get married. To all the underclassmen, Melody says, "Be yourself, smile. It makes a difference. And whatever you are going through, it will get better, but it takes time."

## Cheerleading—harder than it looks



Nicole Scott  
Herald Writer

Cheerleading is a very active sport. Some people don't understand how much work cheerleaders put into their routines. It takes lots of courage to get out in front of a crowd of people and perform.

Cheerleaders have to spend hours working on their cheers, chants, and dances. Cheerleading also requires you to do much more than just cheering on your team.

The 2006 Varsity and JV squad work hard to prepare for the football season. Cheerleaders have to train and exercise just as every other athlete has to. Their summer starts out with a three-hour summer practice four days a week. In those practices the cheer squads run, stretch, jump, tumble, cheer, chant, do leg lifts and crunches.

Every summer the cheerleaders go to a premiere camp from 8:30 to 4:30 for two days to better prepare



Varsity Cheerleaders pose before the Pep Assembly for the first football game of the season. First Row, left to right: Haley Gandee, Ashley Brickner, Kelsey Shank, Heather Hicks, Sabrina Hartley. Second Row: Morgan Gilmore, LaShe Jackson, Lauren Virden, Danielle Hohler, Jessica Lamb.

for the season. Practices usually last for two hours, during which cheers, chants, and jumps are practiced.

Senior Varsity cheerleader Sabrina Hartley says, "Cheerleaders spend just as much time and work to prepare for games just like any other sport."

The HHS Cheerleaders also do many activities throughout the season to raise the spirit of the students and the faculty.

The Varsity and JV squads make posters and signs for the football games. The cheerleaders sell spirit ribbons and badges to help raise money.

At the Homecoming game, the cheerleaders also sell Homecoming Mums.

They perform on the sidelines at games, pep rallies, and bonfires.

Cheerleaders have to memorize routines. They have to drill again and again until they are able to do everything right as a squad. When all is said and done, cheerleading is harder than it looks.

Have a Safe and Happy Homecoming!

## WEB EXTRA...

additional photos or stories from the staff of the Herald

### *Harding High School 2006 Homecoming*



*The first pep assembly of the year brings out spirit of Harding students.*



*Mascot Warren G. is "headed" by junior David Hardgrove, shown with classmate Danny Drew.*



*Coach John Brady is ready for football opener.*

## WEB EXTRA...2



*Homecoming Queen and Court with their escorts and Kingston Residence's "king" after the Sept. 15 assembly. All 11 contestants were introduced and Emily Norris (front row, center) was announced as Queen.*



*The six attendants and their escorts smile following the Homecoming assembly.*

## WEB EXTRA...3



Senior Emily Norris is introduced as the 2006 Homecoming Queen, and poses with parents Sue and Ken Noris.



Seniors from the Class of '07 show their informal side as the Homecoming candidates pose at Hughes Studio.