

# Athletes *of the* Week

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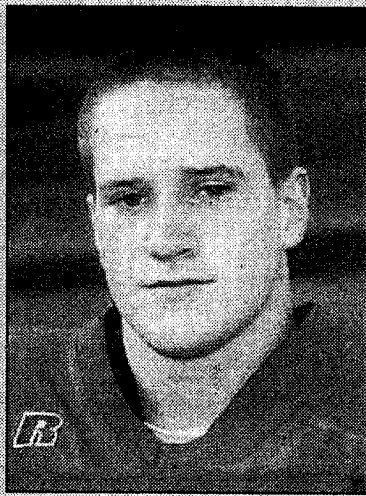
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Purchase Line football player Logan Small has been selected as the Progress Male Athlete of the Week for the week ending Sept. 2. Small led the Red Dragons to a 32-20 victory over Northern Cambria in Week 1 of the season. Small rushed for 164 yards on 18 carries and scored three touchdowns on runs of 15, 32 and 36 yards.

"He ran the ball well that night," Dragon head coach and father Dave Small said. "He made a lot of his yardage by making moves and making people miss. He had an excellent game."



## Logan Small

Name: Logan Small  
School and Grade: Purchase Line High School, senior.

Parents: Dave and Anita  
Siblings: Virgil, 20, Sara, 14 and Emily, 12.

Pets: Two dogs (Wiley and Camo)

How long have you played football? "Since I was 8-years-old."

Pre-game ritual: Listen to heavy metal music

Biggest sports accomplishment: Being selected to Progressland and Indiana Gazette first teams as a running back.

Goal(s): Rush for 1,000 yards.

Favorite team(s): New York Jets, Notre Dame Fighting Irish.

Favorite athletes: Brady Quinn, Tom Zbikowski.

Favorite movie(s): Remember the Titans, Spider-Man.

Favorite TV show: Seinfeld.  
Favorite Musician: Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers.

Favorite amusement park ride: Dueling Dragons at Orlando's Islands of Adventure.

Hidden talent: "I'm a pretty good turkey-caller."

Philipsburg-Osceola volleyball player Mackenzie Gonder has been selected as the Progress Female Athlete of the Week for the week ending Sept. 2. Gonder led the Lady Mountie volleyball team to a second-place finish at the Jen Marcinko Memorial Tournament, helping P-O to an 8-0 record in pool play before falling in the championship to Penn Cambria. Gonder recorded 70 service points, including 21 aces and added 61 assists and 16 digs.

"Mackenzie's trying to bring our young team together and play well," P-O head coach Mick Dininno said. "She understands the team concept. I was impressed with her leadership in the tournament and how



she's bringing her sister (Kelsey) along. She kept us on a nice even keel and distributed the ball well. The kids look up to her."

## Mackenzie Gonder

Name: Mackenzie Gonder.  
School and Grade: Philipsburg-Osceola, senior.

Parents: Jim and Sandy Gonder.

Sibling: Kelsey, 15.  
Pet: Dog (Moshannon).

How long have you played volleyball? Since 7<sup>th</sup> grade.

Pre-game ritual: "Before every home match, I go to Sheetz and get a turkey wrap and a Slushee."

Biggest sports accomplishment: Winning the 2006 District

6 Class AA softball title.  
Goal: Getting the single-season school record for aces.

Biggest rival (team/player): Huntingdon/Greta Gibboney.

Favorite athlete: Jennie Finch.

Favorite movie: The Notebook.

Favorite TV show: Gilmore Girls.

Favorite musician(s): Rascal Flatts, Keith Urban.

Favorite food: Stuffed shells.  
Hidden talent: Plays piano.

*These Athletes of the Week will be rewarded for their efforts with a sweatshirt from the Progress. The sweatshirts were designed by Jim's Sports Center in Clearfield exclusively for the Progress and these weekly honorees.*