

# Athletes *of the* Week

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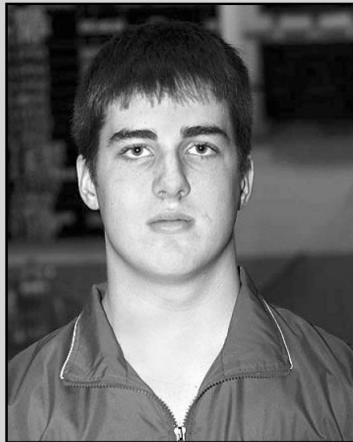
Clearfield swimmer Shay Flanagan has been named The Progress' Male Athlete of the Week for the week ending Feb. 17.

Flanagan won two individual events at the District 9 Swimming and Diving Championships this past week held at the University of Pitt-Bradford.

The Bison sophomore took both the 200 and 500 free, shattering the pool record in the 500 free. Flanagan was also a member of the winning 200 medley and 400 free relay teams.

"He had a fantastic meet," said Clearfield head coach Jackie Morrison. "He is a mature swimmer. He has been swimming a lot longer than his high school career.

"I don't think it was his original goal (to break the



pool record). He just wanted to make a strong statement heading into regionals. He really wanted to be better than he was last year at regionals. That just makes him feel a whole lot more confident."

## Shay Flanagan

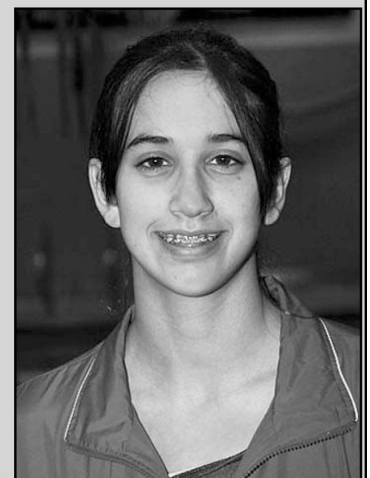
**Name:** Shay Flanagan.  
**School, grade:** Clearfield, 10th.  
**Parents:** A.J. and Eric Flanagan.  
**Siblings:** brother, Wyatt (10); sister, Justine (18).  
**Pets:** two dogs, Wrangler and Ellie Mae.  
**How long have you been swimming?:** "About eight or

nine years."  
**Greatest accomplishment:** "Placing fifth at states in 400 free relay last year."  
**Favorite team:** Penn State.  
**Favorite athlete:** Paul Posluszny.  
**Favorite musician:** Garth Brooks.  
**Favorite food:** Pizza.  
**Hidden talent:** Cooking.

Clearfield swimmer Carolyn Shurer has been named The Progress' Female Athlete of the Week for the week ending Feb. 17.

Shurer won the 500-meter free, breaking the old pool record in the victory. The Lady Bison junior also finished second in the 200 free, a feat which helped Clearfield win the girls' team championship.

"She's been getting quicker the past month or so, and the time goal has been to be under 5:40," said Lady Bison head coach Jackie Morrison. "We wanted to be better. She is already better than she was last year at regionals. That was her best time ever in the 200 free. She was way faster in the 200 than she was at the



regional meet last year. Things are looking bright for her."

## Carolyn Shurer

**Name:** Carolyn Shurer.  
**School, grade:** Clearfield, 11th.  
**Parents:** Pamela Shurer and Kenneth Shurer  
**Siblings:** sisters Jennifer, Emily and Megan; brother Andrew.  
**Pets:** None.  
**How long have you been swimming?:** "For a long time."  
**Greatest accomplishment:** "Winning the District 9 title in the 500 free."

**Favorite team:** None.  
**Favorite athletes competed with:** Marisa Howell and Krista Massimino.  
**Favorite athlete competed against:** Bradford's Erica Pascarella.  
**Favorite movie:** No Preference.  
**Favorite musician:** No Preference.  
**Favorite food:** Spaghetti.  
**Hobbies:** Silks.  
**Hidden talent:** Napping.

*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.*