

## ENCY Nominee's for... "Coach of the Year"

**Definition:** The top coach for the 2006-2007 school year.

**Nominee:** Mike Johnston

**Sport:** Volleyball

**Applicable Info:** Coach Johnston guided the Crusaders to a 15 win season and trip to the CCC playoffs. ENC finished with a winning record in CCC play and in 5<sup>th</sup> place overall. After a 0-5 start against tough competition, Johnston made a critical lineup switch, moving sophomore Christina Ludwick to the setter position. ENC would go on to win 15 of it's last 26 matches and continue their streak of making the playoffs.

**Nominee:** Todd Reid

**Sport:** Baseball

**Applicable Info:** Despite the loss of several key players, Coach Reid has the team headed to the playoffs again. In the 4<sup>th</sup> week of the season, the team split a doubleheader with CCC leading Endicott Powergulls winning 4-0 and out hitting them in the loss they incurred. His team plays with passion, is motivated and dedicated to the sport and their education.

**Nominee:** Cris Popa

**Sport:** Men's Tennis

**Applicable Info:** After losing Player of the Year and another player to studying abroad, Coach Popa has responded and worked well with his team matching last years record and falling one vote shy of repeating as Commonwealth Coast Conference Coach of the Year. Coach Popa instills a passion and focus on the game in his players.

## ENCY Nominee's for... "Team of the Year"

**Definition:** The team that exemplified the best athletic achievement for the 2006-2007 school year.

**Nominee:** Baseball

**Applicable Info:** The Crusaders put together a 5-3 spring trip, best among CCC schools and began the chase for a 4th straight 20 win season. After a 0-4 start in conference play, ENC rebounded with wins over defending champion Endicott and consecutive sweeps of Gordon and New England College to improve their record to 15-10, 9-7 in the CCC.

**Nominee:** Men's Tennis

**Applicable Info:** Despite losing 3 starters and the MVP of the CCC and having several significant injuries this season, the tennis team finished with the same CCC record as the previous year.

**Nominee:** Women's Volleyball

**Applicable Info:** The Crusaders reached 15 wins this season and earned a trip to the CCC playoffs. They finished with a winning record in CCC play and in 5th place overall. After a 0-5 start against tough competition, ENC would go on to win 15 of it's last 26 matches and continue their streak of making the playoffs. In the sport of Volleyball where the first team to win 3 out of 5 games wins the match, the Crusaders won eleven matches in 3 straight games.

## ENCY Nominee's for... "Crusader Fan(s) of the Year"

**Definition:** The fan(s) showing the most dedication and/or school spirit

**Nominee:** Bennie and Lorne Ranstrom (Mother, Father (Employee) to Erik and Joanie Ranstrom)

**Applicable Info:** Bennie and Lorne attended both home and away Men's and Women's Soccer matches all season. Additionally, they frequent Basketball, Softball, Tennis and Baseball games and are the first to cheer for the student-athlete's and actively give feedback to the game officials. The Ranstrom's make student athlete's (and students) feel welcome in their house. Mrs. Ranstrom is an avid photographer and contributes pictures to the website frequently.

**Nominee:** Rita Corey, (Mother of Chris Corey)

**Applicable Info:** Rita attended every single Crusader Basketball game this season, driving from Keene, NH. She was a constant presence at games, either by bringing the coach's son yogurt before each game, ringing her cow bell or waving her pom-poms throughout each contest. She also hosted the team for a pre-game meal before the opening tip-off tournament at Keene State.

**Nominee:** Maurice "Mo" Negrini, (grandfather to A.J. and Craig Turner)

**Applicable Info:** Mo is 84 years old. Through rain, sleet, snow or cold of spring, MO is there at home and road games alike, keeping score and supporting the Crusaders.

**Nominee:** Jan and Sheryl Weisen (Professor and ENC Employee)

**Applicable Info:** The Weisens are always there to support ENC athletics teams in every sport even in difficult times.