

TV30 Outstanding High School Athletic Awards Show honoring high school athletes airs on Tri-Valley TV

PLEASANTON, CA (7.2.14)-- TV30's fourth Annual Outstanding High School Athletic Awards event took place on Thursday, May 29 at the Robert Livermore Community Center. High school scholar athletes from Dublin, Livermore and Pleasanton were honored.

Sponsored by Tri-Valley Community Television, the event featured guest speaker, former San Francisco 49er defensive end, Dennis Brown. The show is now airing on TV30 and also available video on demand.

Throughout the 2013-14 school season an outstanding varsity high school athlete was chosen by TV30's sports panel. Each one was highlighted on TV30's signature weekly program "*Tri-Valley Sports Final*". Fifty-two outstanding students and their families were extended a coveted invitation to attend the special ceremony and reception. Over 250 people gathered for the event. It included the Mayors of Dublin, Livermore and Pleasanton. Several other elected officials, the Tri-Valley school superintendents, principals, athletic directors and coaches from the high schools were there also. Superintendent Kelly Bowers, from LVJUSD, commented, "This is a very significant Valley-wide event honoring our young athletes who really deserve recognition for themselves, their schools and the coaching staff."

Bay Area resident, Dennis Brown, wearing his 49ers Super Bowl ring, was the guest speaker. He remains active with his former NFL team and is a color sports announcer for Comcast at the San Francisco 49ers' games. Dennis was a member of the most recent San Francisco team to win a Super Bowl championship. It was in January of 1995, in Miami. Throughout the 2013 season, Brown also worked alongside select youth football leagues as an NFL Ambassador. He delivered an inspiring message to the audience about his challenges, convictions and reasons for success. It held universal appeal to all those present. The result was a rousing applause from the audience.

For the second year, "*Tri-Valley Sports Final*" awarded the "Game of the Week" trophy to selected high schools. Awards were

presented to the superintendents, principals, athletic directors and coaches from the schools.

During the program parents and families watched a giant-screen video of each student's winning play. Then the athletes received their awards from "Tri-Valley Sports Final" hosts Ian Bartholomew and George "Dr. B" Baljevich. They were then congratulated by Dennis Brown, Mayor Tim Sbranti of Dublin, Mayor John Marchand of Livermore, and Mayor Jerry Thorne of Pleasanton. Finally the students were presented with congratulatory letters from Congressman Eric Swalwell and certificates of recognition from Alameda County Supervisor Scott Haggerty. Senate Majority Leader Ellen Corbett also had official engraved certificates for each honoree.

Included in the TV30 broadcast of the Outstanding Athletic Award event are individual interviews with the Athletes of the Week, parents, coaches and principals. "With all the high-paced activity of everyday life I am glad we have prioritized a very special night to honor students and their families for their dedication and hard work," said Melissa Tench-Stevens, Executive Director of TV30. Rev. Allen Turner, attending for the first time, said, "This is the most significant and elegant reception and awards event produced in and for Tri-Valley outstanding youth."

The awards and event were sponsored by Tri-Valley TV, the TV30 Foundation and local underwriters. There was no charge to the awardees or anyone to attend or participate.

The Outstanding High School Athletic Awards event was taped and is currently airing on Tri-Valley TV until August 31. The 90-minute show may be viewed on TV30 and streaming live on our website at www.tv30.org. Photos of the event are also on the website. DVDs are available for purchase.

TV30 Athletic Awards Athletes of the Week 2014

First Name	Last Name	Sport:	School/Company
Ryan	Anderson	Football	Foothill High School
Emily	Barrett	Basketball - Girls	Foothill High School
Jennifer	Beadle	Water Polo - Girls	Foothill High School

Angel	Beltran	Wrestling - Boys	Granada High School
Nina	Bessolo	Basketball - Girls	Valley Christian High School
Rachael	Butler	Wrestling - Girls	Foothill High School
Stokley	Chaffee	Basketball - Boys	Amador Valley High School
Cambi	Cukar	Lacrosse-Girls	Amador Valley High School
Arianna	Cunha	Basketball - Girls	Valley Christian High School
Jake	Foscalina	Soccer - Boys	Livermore High School
Cory	Frederickson	Volleyball - Boys	Foothill High School
Kayla	Frierson	Basketball - Girls	Valley Christian High School
Jackie	Gilbert	Lacrosse-Girls	Amador Valley High School
Johanna	Grauer	Softball	Amador Valley High School
Diego	Guardiola	Basketball - Boys	Dublin High School
Michelle	Hawkins	Water Polo - Girls	Livermore High School
Tabitha	Heinz	Softball	Granada High School
Alexandra	Hernandez	Cross Country - Girls	Livermore High School
Rachel	Hernandez	Basketball - Girls	Livermore High School
Joli	Holland	Volleyball -girls	Dublin High School
Tanner	Hughes	Golf - Boys	Foothill High School
Kameron	Johnson	Basketball - Boys	Granada High School
Dominik	Katunaric	Soccer - Boys	Dublin High School
Kyle	Kearns	Football	Foothill High School
Suliman	Khorami	Soccer - Boys	Dublin High School
Arthur	Knatt	Wrestling - Boys	Foothill High School
Greta	Kohlmoos	Water Polo - girls	Granada High School
Isaiah	Langley	Football	Foothill High School
Kimberly	Liu	Golf - Girls	Amador Valley High School
Ashley	Lotoszynski	Softball	Amador Valley High School
Ariah	Mack	Basketball - Girls	Amador Valley High School
Mecca	McGlaston	Track & Field	Dublin High School
Kirsten	Mork	Track & Field	Granada High School
Milan	Moses	Basketball - Girls	Dublin High School
Ben	Nilsen	Volleyball - Boys	Granada High School
Tyler	Olson	Cross Country - Boys	Livermore High School
Tyler	Pangia	Soccer - Boys	Amador Valley High School
Austin	Piscotty	Baseball	Amador Valley High School
Brandon	Plihal	Water Polo - Boys	Amador Valley High School
Maxime	Rooney	Swimming	Granada High School

Nick	Silverthorn	Swimming	Granada High School
Maddie	Smith	Volleyball - Girls	Foothill High School
Casey	Soltis	Football	Granada High School
Jacob	Solomon	Golf - Boys	Dublin High School
Theman	Taylor III	Football	Valley Christian High School
Andrew	Totaro	Soccer - Boys	Dublin High School
Vince	Volpatti	Football	Valley Christian High School
Michael	White	Football	Amador Valley High School
Katlyn	Whitt	Softball	Dublin High School
Javonn	Williams	Football	Granada High School
Jeremy	Williams	Track & Field	Granada High School
Taylor	Zehr	Softball	Granada High School

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