

Civitan's honor Metro's best at annual luncheon

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Websters New Universal Unabridged Dictionary defines the word sportsmanship as: "The quality of a person who can take a loss or defeat without complaint, or victory without gloating, and who treats his opponents with fairness, generosity and courtesy. Tuesday, the Nashville Civitan Club gathered to honor six Metro high school and college football players who best embody the true spirit of sportsmanship. "We need to honor more young people for things like this. We need to pat them on the back and tell them how much we appreciate them," said the Civitan's Walter Nipper, owner of Walter Nipper Sporting Goods. "So many times you hear about the boys in trouble and you don't hear about the good boys and we need to hear more about them."

Nipper, who has organized the Civitan Club's sportsmanship luncheon for the last 25 years, said when he approaches coaches about selecting a player worthy of the award, they never have much problem choosing their players. They always seem to know right away which player on his team is the best sportsman.

Brentwood Academy coach Carlton Platt did not think twice about selecting Michael Goulder for the award. Platt found out early what type of person Goulder was when he checked up on him when Goulder applied to Brentwood Academy. Once, Goulder was pitching for a baseball team and the opposing team was beating him pretty badly. They

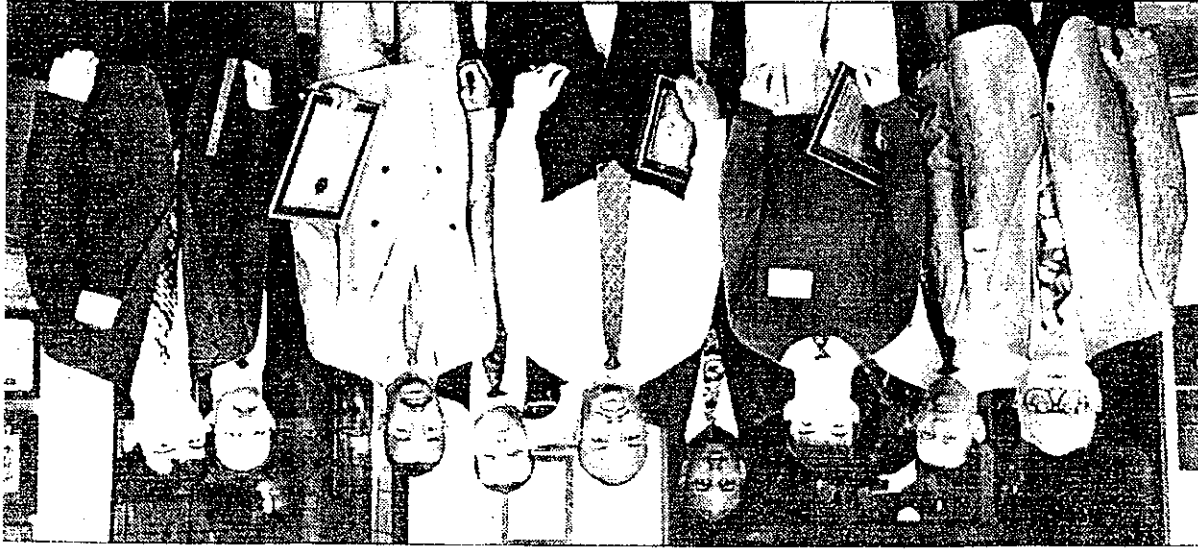
were even laughing at him. Platt said Goulder's coach had come to the mound and told him to throw at the batter. But Goulder would not do it. "The coach came back out to the mound and asked him why didn't he do as he was told, and Michael looked at him and said 'that just wouldn't be right.'"

Other athletes honored for their fine sportsmanship were: ■ Defensive back Cedric Davis of Tennessee State. Davis, who was chosen first-team All-American by the Sheridan Network will participate in the NFL combine in February. He is the only Division I-AA player to be invited to play in the Hula Bowl. Davis will graduate this spring with a degree in Computer Science and Technology.

■ Vanderbilt senior Eric Lewis, who was honored for his accomplishments both on and off the field. The Electrical Engineering major was selected to the first-team GTE Academic All-American team. Lewis was a four-year letterman and team captain of the Commodores.

■ Hunters Lane High School's Reggie Grimes, the recipient of this year's Hume Award for the top student-athlete in Metro schools. Grimes led Hunters Lane with more than 1,400 yards and 24 touchdowns. Grimes was named All-Metro, All-State and was a finalist for Class 5A's Mr. Football Award.

■ David Lipscomb lineman Luke Queen. Queen anchored the offensive line for the Class 2A state champion Mustangs. The three-year starter was considered the best offensive lineman for David Lipscomb.



Civitan Club Sportsmanship honorees include: (front row, from left) Walter Nipper, Michael Gouldner of Brentwood Academy, Eric Lewis of Vanderbill, Cedric Davis of Tennessee State University and Tony Mayard of Donelson Christian Academy; (back row, from left) Lipscomb High coach Glen MacCadam, Reggie Grimes of Hunter's Lane Luke Queen of Lipscomb and DCA coach Dennis Goodwin. ■ Tony Mayard, representing Class 1A, Region Champions Donelson Christian. Mayard, a senior, said he is headed to Western Kentucky next year.

DAVID LIPSCOMB HIGH SCHOOL
TEAM STATS

<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>HALF-TIME</u>	<u>FINAL</u>
Spring Hill	28-0	35-7
Harpeth	28-0	34-2
Coffee County	14-14	24-14
Stewart County	20-0	37-0
Smith County	35-0	35-0
Davidson Academy	14-0	24-0
White House	21-7	34-7
Houston County	34-0	42-7
Waverly	35-0	42-21
Goodpasture	21-0	28-0
Spring Hill	16-0	44-6
Huntingdon	0-0	7-0
Lewis County	21-3	34-9
Milan	7-6	14-6
Harriman	21-0	42-0

TOTALS 315-30 476-79

15 GAME TOTALS BY QUARTER:

	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	TOTAL
DLHS	173	142	101	60	476
OPP	20	10	6	43	79

RUSHING	3989	ON	593	CARRIES	266/GM.	6.7/RUSH
PASSING	<u>804</u>	ON	56	COMP.	<u>54/GM.</u>	14.2/COMP.
TOTAL	4793				320/GM.	

INDIVIDUAL STATS

	<u>INDIVIDUAL</u>	<u>YARDS/CARRIES</u>	<u>AVG.</u>
RUSHING:	Sloan Burton	896/108	8.3
	Rob Copeland	794/119	6.7
	Doug McDuffie	711/80	8.9
	Melvin Evans	677/105	6.4

PASSING: Sloan Burton 53/117 for 770 yards 11 T.D. 9 INT.

PUNTING: Jimmy Hall 26/938 yards = 36 AVG. LONG 55 YDS

KICKING: Shane Pharr
F.G. 4/11
PAT 56/60
Long 31 YD

LEADING TACKLER: Melvin Evans 94

INTERCEPTION LEADER: Shane Pharr 6