

# **I Remember.....**

**I remember the Rend Lake Shootout. A tough start to the season. As a team and for me personally.**

**I remember having Woofie with me at the Summersville Shootout and seeing her fall a sleep in Mr. Gabler's arms.**

**I remember watching us jump to a 19-0 lead against Aviston on November 16th**

**I remember the Raccoon Shootout on November 18th. We were losing by 16 in the first minute of the 2nd quarter and then scored 53 points in the 2nd and 3rd quarter to be leading by 26 at the end of the 3rd quarter. This game was against Rome who eventually won the Class M championship. I also remember wanting to share the nice victory with my wife, finding her in the bleachers, and then seeing her tear filled eyes because of the news that her father was struggling to stay alive that weekend. It put the whole game in perspective.**

**I remember beating Albers in the Conference Tournament Championship.**

**I remember 8th grade appreciation night. I received a very nice gift and the boys did an excellent job with their Got Passion shirts. I'm still trying to figure out who that goofy looking guy was on their shirts.**

**I remember defeating Queen of Peace at the St. Rose Shootout and looking up to see that Tina Arentsen had passed out during the game. "Come on Tina, we weren't playing that badly were we?"**

**I remember getting an e-mail from a parent in the beginning of January talking about winning the state championship. At that time I was just worried about getting out of our Regional.**

**I remember us struggling during the Hoyleton Tournament but still defeating Hoyleton by 19 in the championship game.**

**I remember the overflow crowd that showed up at Irvington to see a classic game against Grand Prairie and although we lost in overtime we learned that we were ready to make a run at the SIJHSAA Championship.**

**I remember the overflow crowd at Germantown in the Regional Championship game against St. Rose. St. Rose played us well but we still went on to win by 21 points.**

**I remember the 36-15 point lead we had at halftime against Trinity St. John in the 1st game at Rend Lake and thinking to myself that we couldn't play much better than that.**

**I remember persevering through the next three games to win the SIJHSAA Championship.**

**I remember watching Keaton Scheer grab the final rebound and dribble out to mid-court with a smile on his face and a raised index finger**

**I remember dedicating the championship trophy to my father-in-law and seeing your standing ovation as a sign of approval.**

**I will always remember the smile on his face when I walked into his living room holding that trophy.**

**I remember the work of Sherri Deisen and the PTA.**

**I remember the "sea of red" at Rend Lake and appreciating the support from the community.**

**I will remember the support I received from the parents. I know there were times when you didn't agree with who was or wasn't playing and you didn't agree with my strategy or lack of strategy, but I was not confronted about it and you allowed me to do my job. I appreciate that and I hope it continues.**

**I remember the great work by the cheerleaders and watching Katherine Kniepmann doing her flips. I'm just wondering "Did your Dad teach you that?" It wouldn't surprise me!**

**I remember White Chocolate coming to the pep rallies. He taught the boys to shoot with their eyes closed.**

**I remember the work of my assistant Coach Beckmann. Making sure everything was in order and taking care of the statistics.**

**I remember Scott Brandmeyer making a 3 pointer against Trinity Centralia.**

**I remember Levi Wilkins making a basket on 8th grade appreciation night.**

**I remember the smile on Jacob Korte's face after making a basket against Damiansville in the Regionals.**

**I remember Landon Schroeder leading the team in scoring in the Championship game at Rend Lake.**

**I remember Justin Arentsen making a basket at the buzzer against Grand Praire to put the game into overtime.**

**I remember Jarod Lohman grabbing rebounds and playing physical defense against Albers in the Conference Championship game.**

**I remember Jacob Wood hitting a 3 pointer to start the 3rd quarter against St. Rose in the Regional Championship.**

**I remember Blake Essington making the shot against Ashley and being lifted up by Coach Beckmann. He also learned about a fact of life from three Rend Lake basketball players in the locker room that evening.**

**I remember Connor Beckmann drilling two 3 pointers against Rome in the Raccoon Shootout to start a huge run in the 3rd quarter.**

**I remember Keaton Scheer playing like a man among boys in the Regional Championship game against St. Rose.**

**Those are just a few of many memories that I will have when we talk about the 2006-07 Varsity Bulldog Basketball team**

**I worked very hard to convince the Varsity Bulldogs that they were a part of a TEAM. I completely believe in the team concept and would like everyone to know that I am deeply proud of each and every one of the TEAM players. With that being said, it is my job to pass out the individual awards:**

**Mr. Hustle: Connor Beckmann  
Most Improved: Blake Essington**

**Nine years ago the father of a family from Wichita Kansas was transferred to St. Louis. Bob and Karla Scheer decided to live in Germantown and the Germantown Basketball Programs have reaped the benefits.**

**The next 3 awards are based on the statistics that were taken during the season.**

**Free Throw: at 65.6% Keaton Scheer  
Assist: with 120 Keaton Scheer  
Rebound: with 257 Keaton Scheer**

**The final award is the MVP. Mr. Gabler and I went round and round about who should win the MVP Award and after long deliberations we decided that the 2006-07 MVP is Keaton Scheer.**