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### **ORTHOPEDIC CENTER OF ILLINOIS FOUNDATION** **ANNOUNCES SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS**

Springfield, IL – The Orthopedic Center of Illinois Foundation (OCIF) is proud to announce the recipients of their two scholarships: Kelsie McKean, a senior at Southeast High School has been awarded the Orthopedic Center of Illinois Foundation Scholarship and Megan Pence, a senior at Springfield High School has won the “Comeback Player of the Year” Scholarship.

McKean, who will be attending Millikin University in the fall to major in nursing, ranks 31 of 206 at Southeast. Her school activities include soccer, National Honor Society, Drama Club (president), French Club (vice president), Science Club (secretary), and editor of the yearbook. Her community activities include 4-H, Junior Samaritan at St. John’s Hospital, United Cerebral Palsy after-school program and summer camp.

Pence, a student-athlete who will be attending Illinois State University in the fall to major in accounting, ranks 29 of 307 students at SHS. Her school activities include basketball (captain), volleyball (captain), National Honor Society, French Club, and Spirit Club. She was named to the all-conference team in the Central State Eight Conference and most valuable player of the volleyball team in 2006-2009, all-

academic/all-conference in volleyball and basketball, and ranks 19<sup>th</sup> on the all-time assists leader in volleyball in the state of Illinois.

The Orthopedic Center of Illinois Foundation awards two scholarships to deserving high school seniors each year. The OCIF Scholarship (\$1,000, renewable up to four years) provides tuition assistance to a full-time college-bound student majoring in a health-related field. The “Comeback Player of the Year” Scholarship (\$1,000) recognizes an area student-athlete who has been treated by an OCI physician. For more information on OCIF, please visit our website at [www.ocif.net](http://www.ocif.net).

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