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The Poplar Bluff Mules Booster Club has named Raegan McAtee and Quinten Bell of Poplar Bluff High School the February Athletes of the Month, presented by Academy Sports + Outdoors.

Quinten, a junior wrestler, has a record of 33 wins. He was a 2019 state qualifier, placed third at district along with the SEMO Conference, placed fourth at the Fred Ross Invitational, and second at the Patriot Classic. In the classroom, he maintains a 9.74 grade point average.

“Quinten Bell is a great student and athlete,” said Kelton Thomson, his coach. “He was voted a team captain by his teammates and has a reputation of being an extremely hard worker. Quinten has sacrificed a lot to achieve the success he has this year in wrestling.”

Raegan, a senior swimmer, is the PBHS record holder in the 200 freestyle relay with 1:42.81. She has been an all-state honorable mention each year of her high school career in multiple events including the current year during which she made all-state in the 100 butterfly. She earned top placement each year in all-conference as well, including being named champion in all events in 2016. Ranked 13th in her class, she has a 10.917 GPA.

“Rae has been a huge asset to the team the last four years,” stated Elizabeth Lewis, her coach. “She is extremely coachable, and pleasant to be around. She is willing to do what it takes in the pool to help her teammates. Her personality and hard work will be missed.”

Pictured: Quinten Bell and Reagan McAtee were awarded AOM plaques on Thursday, March. 7, from Booster Club member Brian Taylor.

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