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THE ARENA CLUB ANNOUNCES THE 2014 ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

The Arena Club in Bel Air, Maryland awarded Maggie Gallagher, graduate of C. Milton Wright High School the 2014 Athlete of the Year Scholarship award.

Bel Air, Maryland - In front of an attendance of 4,400 at Ripken Stadium on June 27, 2014, The Arena Club's 360 Sports Performance Institute presented C. Milton Wright graduate, Maggie Gallagher, with the 2014 Athlete of the Year \$1,000 Scholarship award. Maggie is a 4-year varsity athlete in Field Hockey, Swimming and Lacrosse and has earned the role of team captain in all three sports. She is the 3A State Champion and All-State All-American nominee in Field Hockey; 3A, 2A, 1A State Champion and All-County First Team in Swimming; and First-Team All-County All-Conference, USA All-American, and USA Academic All-American for Lacrosse.

Maggie was selected from fifteen athletes who were previously recognized as The Arena Club's Athlete of the Week throughout the 2013/14 season. For consideration for the scholarship, senior athletes were required to submit a bio, season statistics, GPA, and a list of extracurricular activities. In addition, the students were required to submit two letters of support from an adult mentor and a 500-word essay explaining his or her interpretation of what characteristics define a student athlete. In addition to Maggie's achievements in athletics, Maggie is a standout academically and participates in a host of extracurricular activities including Senior Class Council Member, National Honor Society Member, Best Buddies Communications Officer, and SGA Member, amongst others. She will be playing lacrosse at Penn State next year.

In addition to receiving a \$1,000 scholarship, Maggie can present C. Milton Wright with a \$400 voucher for team training at The Arena Club's Sports Performance Institute for each of her sports for the 2014/15 season. The Athlete of the Year program for 2014/15 season will begin in August. Coaches, parents, and community members may nominate any Harford or Cecil County UCBAC athlete for to The Arena Club.

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