Altonized Community Federal Credit Union Male Athlete Of The Month: Piasa Birds Lineman Trent Hanks Draws Praise Across Two Sports

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PIASA — Trent Hanks brought strength to both sides of the line for Southwestern High School this past football season, earning recognition as an Altonized Community Federal Credit Union Male Athlete of the Month.

The 6-foot-2, 265-pound senior played on the offensive and defensive lines for the Piasa Birds. He also competes in the 285-pound weight class for Southwestern's wrestling team.

Southwestern football coach Pat Keith said Hanks overpowered opponents with his explosive speed and strength. Keith said Hanks' wrestling skills also helped him on the football field.

"He was a good lineman for us," Keith said. "He worked hard in the off-season and was bigger and stronger this year."

Hanks recorded 27 tackles in nine games, averaging three tackles per game. His totals included three solo tackles and 24 assists.

Keith also praised Hanks' work in his winter sport.

"He is also an excellent wrestler in the winter," Keith said.