



community hero

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My community hero for 2016 is Ben Woolf I have known him since I was in 6th grade I first met him at an event that he started which was the Anthony Smith 3on3 tournament. He started it in honor of one of his teammates Anthony Smith who died at a young age due to Leukemia and it has been a great event that makes money and all the proceeds are donated to cancer benefits to help them look for research to find a cure for cancer. He has also helped me and other people that live close to the meacham park area with becoming a better man and person. Also my freshman year in High School he helped me to become a better basketball player which has grown over the years of my High School career. The Anthony Smith 3on3 Tournament founded and started by him has been a great event for the community. It helps to keep kids out of trouble and put their minds on something positive which is playing basketball. A lot of people in the Kirkwood community come out to support the event and the event is cost free so anybody that wants to come doesn't have to pay and will get in for free. Another reason why Ben Woolf is my community hero is because Ben Woolf never gets in trouble with the law and has always been there for me or others. If me or some of my friends needed a ride to a open gym or practice and our friends or parents couldn't take us we could always call on Mr. Woolf and he would always come and pick us up and take us to the destination. Coach Woolf has also been involved in my two little brothers life Damien and Devin ages 14 and 8. He helped Damien when Damien wanted to go to Christian brothers College High school instead of Kirkwood High School. He told him some things that he needed to hear that made him convinced that he should go to Kirkwood High School. Without Coach Woolf who knows where Damien would be right now because he could be at Chrsitain brothers College High school having bad grades and getting into trouble. Coach Woolf has been very positive in my life and when my parents separated he became pretty close to a father figure as you can get with all the additional help he gave to me and my family. Lastly I would like to say that Ben Woolf is my community hero for 2016 because of the amount of work he has done to help the community through tough times and for the amount of respect I have and give to him. He is a very positive community figure for Kirkwood and should be considered a hero because without him a lot of kids in meahcam Park would have no direction in their life and would be getting into a lot of trouble that they shoud be avoiding.