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**COACH PARKS ATHLETE AWARD –
Honoring the Remarkable and
Inspirational Coaching Career of
Coach (CPT) Rickey Parks, Dodge
County High School**

HOMETOWN COACHING LEGEND - Wrestling, Football, Basketball, Track

May 6, 2010, Hazlehurst, GA – The Dodge County Wrestling Club recently presented the first ever *Coach Parks Athlete Award* to Gabe Thornton. Thornton, a double-leg amputee, wrestles for Jeff-Davis High School. The award is presented in memory of Coach Rickey Parks who passed suddenly on September 2, 2009. Parks was the assistant high school wrestling coach and coached varsity football, varsity track, and junior varsity basketball at Dodge County HS. His leadership, concern for his players, and persona motivated young athletes for more than 10 years.

This award recognizes outstanding achievers in high school sports. The award is a specially designed patch from NEFF to be worn on the recipient's school letter jacket. Each award is uniquely created in the awardees school colors and sport. Two awards are presented annually; one to a Dodge County High School athlete and one to an athlete in Georgia whose sportsmanship, athletic prowess, and positive attitude inspires others to achieve excellence in sports.

Dodge County Wrestling Club (DCWC)

DCWC was formed in 2007 to provide youth in Dodge County the opportunity to learn and participate in the great sport of wrestling. Visit us at www.dodgewrestling.com

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