



# SECTION VI *newsletter*

January 2010

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**N.Y.S. PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC.**

## *Next Athletic Council Meeting*

**January 20, 2010**

Lunch 11:00 am – Meeting begins at 11:30 am  
Erie 1 BOCES Education Campus,  
355 Harlem Rd., W.Seneca, Building B,  
Room B2b

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

Section VI Budget 2010-2011  
Sports Season Calendar 2010-11  
Approvals for Combining Schools, Senior All-Star  
and Outside Agency Contests

## **WELCOME!!**

### **and Heartfelt Thanks...**

In response to the increasing needs of members schools and subsequent services provided by the Section office, the Section VI Athletic Council approved the formation of a full-time position of Section VI Executive Director. Section VI is proud to announce the appointment of **Timm Slade** as the Section VI Executive Director and extend a warm welcome to him as he joins the Section VI family! Mr. Slade's appointment is a positive move in the right direction for our member schools and their high school athletic programs, but it unfortunately means saying good-bye to several individuals who have been the heart and soul of Section VI for many years.



Everyone in Section VI would like to express sincere gratitude to **Bob Dinse, Tom Cowan**

and **Loren Ratajczak** who will be stepping down from their respective positions at the Section VI office. These individuals have each given immeasurable time and energy in service to their respective districts and the Section for interscholastic athletics. We thank each of them for their tireless efforts and endless dedication to high school sports and Section VI athletes. We are truly grateful to have benefited from their passion and enthusiasm for athletics over the many years they served their districts and Section VI! We wish them the best of luck in all their future endeavors! They are shown in the photo holding Service Plaques presented to them at the Section VI Athletic Council meeting in November. (L-R: President Dr. Wendt, Tom Cowan, Bob Dinse, Loren Ratajczak)

Please see pages 3 & 4 for additional information on these fine gentlemen!!



## **CONGRATULATIONS SCHOLAR/ATHLETES AND STATE CHAMPS!!**

### **NYSPHSAA SCHOLAR/ATHLETE TEAM AWARDS FALL 2009 STATE CHAMPIONS**

<u>SCHOOL (SECTION)</u>	<u>SPORT</u>	<u>GPA</u>
Irving (1)	Girls Cross Country	99.857
<b>Southwestern (6)*</b>	<b>Boys Cross Country</b>	<b>98.840</b>
<b>Barker (6)*</b>	<b>Field Hockey</b>	<b>97.381</b>
<b>Wilson (6)*</b>	<b>Football</b>	<b>95.789</b>
Wheatley (8)	Boys Soccer	97.257
Greece Arcadia (5)	Girls Soccer	97.250
Jericho (8)	Girls Swimming & Diving	99.229
Greece Athena (5)	Girls Tennis	98.633
Jericho (8)	Girls Volleyball	97.395

*\*see pages 8-9*

***Congratulations to all the  
Section VI fall scholar/athlete team award winners!!***

(see page 16-17)

### **SECTION VI 2009 FALL SPORTS STATE CHAMPIONS**

(see page 9-15)

#### Cross Country

Boys Class D – Barker  
Girls Class B Team Champ – East Aurora

#### Football

Class AA – North Tonawanda  
Class A - Sweet Home  
Class C - Southwestern  
Class D – Randolph

#### Girls Swimming & Diving

200 Medley Relay - Olean  
100 Yard Freestyle – Marissa Dressel, Kenmore  
400 Free Relay – Ken-West

#### Boys Gymnastics

The Section VI Team 1<sup>st</sup> place  
All-Around - Jonathan Zirna, Clarence  
Floor Exercise – Nathaniel Roberson, Will. South  
High Bar – Nathaniel Roberson, Will. South  
Parallel Bars – Jonathan Zirna, Clarence  
Vault – Nathaniel Roberson, Will. South  
Pommel Horse – Jonathan Zirna, Clarence  
Still Rings – Jonathan Zirna, Clarence

#### Girls Volleyball

Class B – Eden  
Class C – City Honors

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# NEWS FROM THE STATE OFFICE

## ACTION TAKEN BY NYSPHSAA AT THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING DECEMBER 6-7, 2009

### APPROVED ITEMS

- ◆ **Dues Increase** - \$30.00 per school and \$0.03 per student for the 2010-2011 school year.
- ◆ **Classification of Schools** – The official enrollments numbers for the 2010-2011 classification of schools.
- ◆ **Cut Off Numbers** – A change in the classification cutoff numbers for the 2010-2011 school year.

Class	Enrollment	Schools (779)	Percent
AA	925 - UP	151	19.38%
A	525 – 924	158	20.28%
B	305 – 524	157	20.15%
C	175 – 304	155	19.90%
D	0 – 174	158	20.28%

- ◆ **Friend and Neighbor:**
  - o Christian Central Academy Section 6 (effective August 2009)
  - o Northern Chautauqua Catholic School Section 6 (effective October 2009)
- ◆ **Membership:**
  - o Global Concepts Charter School Section 6 (effective November 2, 2009)
- ◆ **Bowling** – With Section approval, a combination tournament that will consist of a maximum of three (3) standard team games and a maximum of fifteen (15) Baker style games will be permitted in Sectional competition only.
- ◆ **Girls Basketball** – A waiver from the NCAA Rule Book requiring two (2) visible shot clocks, one (1) at each end of the court. If the shot clocks are not functional, the waiver would permit the game to be played with an alternate timing device.
- ◆ **Boys Basketball** - Use of NFHS Rule 2-2-1 for all NYSPHSAA Championship semi-final and final games if it can be done at no additional expense to the Association.

- ◆ **Wrestling**
  - o Starting weight class is still drawn, recommendation to follow the Federation Rule and have the pre-meet disc toss for choice of odd/even matches in dual meet matches. This would be a removal of the waiver already in place.
  - o Waiver of NFHS Rule 4-5-3 regarding dual meet and tournament weigh-ins.
  - o PSAL and CHSAA to receive at-large bids if they placed in the top 4 of the preceding year's NYS State Tournament.
- ◆ **Softball** – A waiver of ASA Softball rules to prohibit the use of metal cleats.
- ◆ **Ice Hockey** - Two (2) divisions based on enrollment with a cutoff of Division I -1100 and up and Division II – 1099 and below.
- ◆ **Budget and Finance Committee** –Adoption of a Conflict of Interest Statement policy
- ◆ **Modified Athletics**
  - o **Baseball and Softball** - players may be allowed to reenter a contest to replace an injured player only if all eligible substitutions were used during the game.
  - o **Softball** - With sectional/league approval, a two year pilot program in modified softball may be implemented that shall allow innings 1-6 to be completed at five runs or three outs. The 7<sup>th</sup> inning shall be played as a normal inning, with three outs and no run restrictions.
  - o **Badminton and Tennis** - Each player may play one additional singles or doubles match per day. The individual limitations/day for badminton and tennis (Reference: Modified Sports Standards Chart, NYSPHSAA handbook, pages 134-5) shall be increased to two matches per day, provided that every individual eligible player plays once before any player plays twice.

### DEFEATED ITEMS

- ◆ **Maximum Number of Contests** - Action to reinstate the maximum number of contests in all sports for the 2010 – 2011 school year.

### ITEMS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION and REVIEW

- ◆ **Practices** - Athletes who switch from a contact/collision or limited contact/impact sport to a strenuous/non contact or nonstrenuous/non contact sport are permitted to count conditioning practices toward their new sport as follows: 1. Sports with less than ten (10) practices for the individual before the first contest will be allowed to carry over three (3) days; 2. Sports with less than ten to fifteen (10-15) practices for the individual before the first contest will be allowed to carry over four (4) days. (Contact/collision or limited contact/impact sports include field hockey, football, ice hockey, lacrosse, soccer, wrestling, baseball, softball, diving, gymnastics, skiing, softball and volleyball. Strenuous/non contact or nonstrenuous/non contact sports include cross country, track and field, swimming, tennis, bowling, golf and riflery).
- ◆ **Sportsmanship** - When coaches do not fulfill the penalty of the Sportsmanship Regulation by being present at the site of the contest the coach has not fulfilled the penalty and remains ineligible to coach. The committee felt that during the regular season and sectional activity, the Section should impose a penalty on the coach/school. During regional and state championship activity, the NYSPHSAA Executive Director should impose the penalty.
- ◆ **Sport Rules** - A review, discussion and vote to use the same rules for Boys and Girls Basketball and NFHS rules for all sports when available.

### FUTURE CLINICS 2010

- Lacrosse:** Jan. 22 at SUNY Cortland
- Softball:** Jan. 29 at Field of Dreams, Utica
- Baseball:** Feb. 26 at Hall of Fame, Cooperstown
- Field Hockey:** Mar. 5 at Field of Dreams, Utica
- Track & Field:** Mar. 26 at Holiday Inn, Schenectady
- Volleyball:** Mar. 26 at Union College
- Cheerleading:** May 21 at Holiday Inn, Fishkill
- Soccer:** June 4 at Field of Dreams, Utica

### CITIZENSHIP THROUGH ATHLETICS

No Registration Fee  
**Feb. 3 at NYSPHSAA Office**

## Section VI Welcomes Timm Slade as Section VI Executive Director

Section VI and Erie 1 BOCES named Timm Slade to the position of Section VI Executive Director effective November 30, 2009.

Mr. Slade has been the Director of Health, Physical Education and Athletics for the West Seneca Central School District since 1998. He is a graduate of Brockport State University where he has earned his BS in Physical Education and his Masters Degree along with a certification of advanced studies in Educational Administration. He also holds National Certification as a Certified Master Athletic Administrator (CMAA) from the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association. He began his career in education teaching physical education in the North Tonawanda City School District. Prior to being the Athletic Director at West Seneca, Mr. Slade was the Athletic Director in the Pavilion and Wilson Central Schools along with teaching physical education at Clarence Middle School.

Timm is very familiar with Section VI operations having been an active volunteer for many years in various capacities. In 1996-1997 he was the Girls Representative for the Niagara-Orleans league. Since 1998, he served as the ECIC representative on the Sectional Intersectional Committee, the committee which he will now Chair as the Executive Director. He became an alternate to the Athletic Council for the ECIC league as the Girls Sports Representative in 1999 and has maintained that position as well as Chairman of the Corporate Sponsor Committee up to the present. Timm was also instrumental in bringing positive changes to the sport of wrestling in Section VI as the Wrestling Sportchair from 2000 to 2002.

Lastly, Mr. Slade was very involved in the New York State Athletic Administrators Association (NYSAAA) as the Professional Developmental Chair and the Chapter VI Representative for several years.

A sincere welcome is extended to Timm!! We look forward to working with the Section's first full-time Executive Director!

## Dr. Wendt, Wilson Superintendent and Section VI President, Receives National Award

*By Jeanette Dippo*

The American School Health Association awarded Dr. Michael S. Wendt of Wilson, New York, its School Health Leadership Award at its annual conference in Denver, Colorado, this October. Wendt was selected as the recipient for this National Award as a result of his health-related contributions to school children. Wendt authored research at the University at Buffalo that employed intense cardio-vascular exercise as an alternative to medications (like Ritalin) as a treatment for ADHD children. His research helped to secure his school district one of the first U.S. Department of Education Carol M. White PEP grants in the amount of \$385,000.00.

The grant was used to build fitness centers at the Wilson elementary schools and middle/high school. Wendt furthered his research to investigate how immersing children into exercise can have a positive impact on academic performance. Wendt developed a program and step by step manual for schools and individuals to use in creating cardio-vascular programs for children. The program outlined in the manual is called KEEP 57 (Kids Early Exercise Program 5 out of 7 days per week). The Keep 57 Manual (made available free to those who ask) has been sent to schools and individuals throughout the nation and world for nearly 10 years. He regularly responds to inquiries regarding his work and has presented his findings throughout the country. He has promoted and supported the improvement of the school lunch/vending program as well as staff wellness programs over the past eight years. The Wilson District Board of Education has consistently included both safety and wellness as District-wide goals. Wendt also serves the New York State Public High School Athletic Association as a Section President and is currently President-Elect of The New York State Rural Schools Association. In addition to his work on school health Wendt has also published a book on homework. He is in his 8<sup>th</sup> year as Superintendent of the Wilson Central School District in Western New York.

Dr. Wendt graduated in 2005 with the first cohort of schools from NYS Healthy Schools Leadership Institute funded by a grant from the NYS Education Department. He continues to embrace the Institute's values and practices, believing that healthy students are better learners. The proof of this is evidenced by the fact that Wilson Central was ranked 13<sup>th</sup> out of 97 school districts in WNY in 2008 *Business First* ratings, making the district number one in their county for 6 straight years. Wilson High School was ranked 25<sup>th</sup> out of 128 high schools in 2008 making them the top-rated high school in Niagara County for 7 straight years. An amazing 100% of the Class of 2008 graduated with Regents Diplomas and \$4,100,000.00 in scholarship and grant offers. In their letter nominating Dr. Wendt for the ASHA School Health Leadership Award, Jeanette Dippo,

Program Coordinator, and Stephanie Gray, Program Director for the NYS HSLI, applauded Dr. Wendt for demonstrating the "type of leadership in action that is required to link school health programs with student learning and performance."



## Section VI Executive Secretary Robert Dinse Retires after 13 Years

Robert Dinse has been a proud supporter of Wilson athletics for many years. He started working in the Wilson School District in 1963 teaching elementary & high school Physical Education along with Health Education. Bob was appointed Athletic Director in 1967; he served as Athletic Director until 1996 when he retired. Bob also coached multiple sports for Wilson including Varsity Football, 7th and 8th grade basketball, Varsity and Modified track and Cross Country. He has been recognized in many facets of the athletic world. Bob received the Zone Honor Award in 1983 given by the NYS Council of Administrators. In 1992, he received the Julius "Sonny" Stapf award from the Wilson Sports Boosters. In 1996, he was awarded the Niagara Orleans Foundation Award for service to students in the NO league, Section VI, and NYS Public High School Athletics. Bob also received recognition of outstanding service and dedication as an athletic administrator in 1997 by NYSAAA. In 1998, he was the recipient of the Service award from Section VI. He was recognized in 2000 by the Niagara PAL Athletic Club as Sports Person of the Year. Most recently, he was honored by having a street named after him near WCS called *Robert Dinse Drive*.

Along with many state awards, the Wilson Sports Boosters have honored Robert in many ways, with giving him the Lifetime Achievement Award and Complete Dedication to the Youth of WCS Award. Robert had a wonderful experience at Wilson, including carrying great pride in the fact that Wilson received the N-O supremacy award while being the second smallest school district. Also during this time, Wilson was the first school to host homecoming in the N-O league in 1967, due in part to Robert's dedication and hard work. Through his tireless work, Bob was able to put together an all sports booster club for Wilson Central along with the help of Sonny Stapf, they were able to help fund a failed budget so the student athletes were able to play. The Wilson Sports Booster is still pertinent to the success of Wilson Athletics.

Throughout the 80's, Bob served as a representative on multiple sectional committees. From 1992 through 1999, he represented Section VI at NYSPHSAA as the Boy Rep to Central Committee. Bob was also the Officials Coordinating Federation Chairman for 12 years during which he negotiated four 3-year contracts with the WNY Sports Officials for Section VI.

In 1996, Bob was appointed the Executive Secretary for Section VI. He was instrumental in improving communications with member schools during this tenure, being responsible for the establishment of the Section VI Newsletter and the Section VI website, a forerunner in the state. From 2001-2003, he worked diligently with OSPRA at SED and Section VI Superintendents in developing the current Fingerprinting Policy for sports officials under SAVE legislation, another area where Section VI was a leader in the State Association. He served as chairman for a variety of committees: the Sectional / Intersectional committee for over 10 years, Transportation Committee and the Ad Hoc Committee for Charter Schools since its inception in Sept. 2006. His involvement with the State Association includes several years as a member of State Finance Committee and 3 years as member of Non-Public Classification Committee.

Thank you Bob for your overwhelming lifetime dedication to high school athletics and contributions to Section VI!

## Tom Cowan, Section VI Officials Coordinator

**Tom Cowan** retired in June 1997 from Alden Central School where he served for 33 years as a Health and Physical Education Teacher. From 1978-1999, he was the Chairperson of the Physical Education Department. He also took on the position of Athletic Director in 1995 which he maintained until he left the district in 1999. From 1981-1983 and 1993-1997, he served as chief negotiator for the Alden Teachers Assn. as well as a member of the ECIC Athletic Council.

Throughout his years at Alden, Tom was very active as a coach spending 27 years as the Boys Varsity Basketball Coach, 16 years as Boys JV Baseball Coach, 13 years as the Modified Football Coach, 3 years as the Track and Field Coach and 4 years coaching Cross Country.

Mr. Cowan has been active in his community for over 12 years as the Town of Newstead Councilman. One significant duty as Town Councilman was negotiating terms and conditions of employment with Highway Department. He also has been the chairman of the Town Planning Board for the last 10 years.

Tom's involvement with the Section began in 1998 when he was appointed as the Section VI Officials Coordinator. Throughout his tenure with the Section, Tom was the Chief Negotiator for 5 Section VI contracts with WNY Sports Officials and chaired the Ad Hoc Committee charged with organizing Central Assigning of Sports Officials. He developed the "Form X Fund" concept used to resolve contract disputes. He also handled all communication for Sportsmanship infractions throughout the Section.

Thank you Tom for all your hard work and perseverance on behalf of athletes throughout Section VI!!

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## Loren Ratajczak, Section VI Treasurer

**Loren Ratajczak** was hired as Mathematics Teacher at John F. Kennedy High School in 1971. He began coaching multiple sports in 1972 including Track, Basketball, Cross Country and Bowling. In 1991 he took on the position of Athletic Director which he maintained until his retirement in 2003.

Throughout his teaching career at J.F.K., Loren had a sincere interest in and excellent rapport with his students and was consistently fair in dealing with them. His colleagues have held him in high esteem for his leadership abilities and organization of the JFK athletic program. Under his supervision, the athletic program grew and achieved much success. He was also involved as Chairman of Teachers Association negotiation team.

Within the ECIC league, Loren served as the Cross Country Chairman as well as Chairman of the Girls Activity Board. He became involved with Section VI as a member of Section VI Cross Country Committee and Track & Field Committee. He is also a member of WNY track Officials organization.

Loren's background with finances goes back to 1984 when he became Treasurer of Grace Lutheran Church, a position he held until 1990. From 1990 to 1997, he served as the Treasurer and Manager of Sloan PS Federal Credit Union where he was ultimately responsible for the entire operation of Credit Union. He is also co-owner of Magpie Cards and Gifts in Hamburg since 1993.

Mr. Ratajczak began working for Section VI as Treasurer in 2004. During his tenure with the Section, he took on the responsibility of arranging many of the State travel plans eliminating the need for a Travel Agent & reducing the cost to the Section. He also initiated gate management protocol for the Section office.

Thank you Loren for all your hard work and perseverance on behalf of athletes throughout Section VI!!

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## Section VI Loses a Veteran and Good Friend, Joseph F. Ward

Joseph F. Ward, age 87, of Burleson Rd. Great Valley, NY died on November 15, 2009 following a short illness. Mr. Ward was born August 15, 1922 at the Old Fish's Hardware Store in Great Valley, New York son of the late John and Martha Enright Ward. He was married in St. Patrick's Church Salamanca on October 11, 1952 to the former Virginia M. Pennell who survives.

He attended the Great Valley School and graduated from Ellicottville High School class of 1940. He was a graduate of Cornell University earning a degree in Agriculture in 1942, and a 1949 graduate of St. Bonaventure University with a Bachelors in Science. He was a Veteran of World War II serving in the U.S. Army Aircorp stationed at Randolph Air Force Base, Texas where he trained as a bombardier for B-29 bombers.

Mr. Ward was employed by Norton's Mill, he had been a salesman and staff manager for Prudential Insurance Co., a science teacher at Pioneer Central School, Kiln operator for Fitzpatrick and Weller, as well as a 20 year seasonal ticket taker at Holiday Valley Resort.

He was a very active member of Great Valley Town Government having served as Town Supervisor and Councilman for over 24 years. He is currently a member of the Great Valley planning board and former Democrat committee member in Great Valley district number 2. He had also served as an election official.

A lifelong resident of Great Valley, Joe was known throughout the community for his keen memory and attention to details. No one had a better handle on the dates, facts, and stories than Joe. He was a wonderful husband, father, and grandfather who truly enjoyed his family, keeping up on the news and watching baseball. He took pride in serving his community in a variety of capacities highlighted by his 60 year active membership in the Great Valley Volunteer Fire Company which he helped to start in 1949.

Mr. Ward was a member of the Holy Name of Mary Catholic Church, Ellicottville, New York where he served as Trustee and Usher. He was a 60 year Charter member of the Great Valley Volunteer Fire Company serving as Fire Chief from 1968-1976 as well as a Fire Commissioner for Great Valley Fire District #2. Life member of the Cattaraugus County Fireman's Association and the Southwestern Firemen's Association. He also was a member of the New York State Chaplain's Association and served many years as a member of the Cattaraugus County Fire Advisory Board. He was also a member of the Ellicottville Central School Board (1959-1973) serving 3 times a President. He was also a certified baseball umpire.

Surviving besides his wife are 2 sons, Mark (Barbara) Ward, Great Valley, New York and Stephen (Bridget) Ward, Great Valley, New York; 3 grandchildren, Justin, Vanessa, and Brenna Ward; one brother James (Zack) Ward, Great Valley, New York; several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a sister Elizabeth Ward and one brother John Ward.

A Mass of Christian Burial in Holy Name of Mary Catholic Church on November 19 with Msgr. Donald Wangler officiating with burial at Holy Cross Cemetery, Ellicottville, New York. Full Military services were held by members of the American Legion Post 659 Ellicottville, New York.

The family encourages donations to the Joseph F. Ward Memorial Scholarship Fund c/o Five Star Bank and Trust 54 Washington Street, Ellicottville, New York. This will be an annual graduation award at Ellicottville Central School for Students pursuing a career in Ecology or Earth Science. E condolences can be sent to [john@orourke-orourke.com](mailto:john@orourke-orourke.com)

## North Collins Celebrates Grand Opening of New Athletic Complex

On September 26, 2009 the North Collins Central School celebrated the official grand opening of their new multi-sport, synthetic turf athletic complex. The event was in conjunction with the Eagles Homecoming Week and the day included soccer games with cross town rival, Eden, an opening ceremony, kid's games and activities, live music with a chicken barbeque and ended with the traditional homecoming dance.

Superintendent Ben Halsey opened the ceremony acknowledging the tremendous effort put forth by the Board of Education and many community members in passing the referendum and thanked the North Collins community for their overwhelming support towards the Eagle athletic program. Additionally, Halsey recognized last years varsity softball and baseball programs who played on the facility for the first time with outstanding seasons, including Coach of the year awards to Jan Warren and Paul Kellner respectively.

The facility is a major step forward in the revitalization of the North Collins School District. The synthetic turf playing surface is the largest synthetic playing surface in Western New York and is unique in that it is designed to host softball, baseball and soccer events. Additional amenities to the facility include full dugouts with power and water, team storage, concessions, bullpens, and state of the art scoreboards and sound system. In development of the project, all electrical applications for future lighting were buried in construction to assist in making the move towards a lighted facility an easy transition.

The Home of the Eagles is a facility the entire North Collins community is very proud of and they would like to invite all of Section 6 and Western New York to come out and take a look.



## 2009-2010 Section VI Directory Updates

Please mark the following changes (noted in bold) on the appropriate pages of your directory.

- 2 Executive Director: **Timm Slade**  
tslade@e1b.org **821-7092**
- 3 ECIC President Elect Gil Licata, Starpoint  
**210-2301(w)**
- 4 NFL Jim Walker correction to email:  
**lancer1356@yahoo.com**
- 5 Tennis (Girls) **Mike Venditti** remove interim  
Bowling (Girls) **John Seeley** replace WS  
East with home address: **38 Schenkler Ave.,  
Cheektowaga, 14225**  
Softball Co-Chairperson **Dan Brooks**  
remove interim **Olean MS**
- 11 Boys Gymnastics (Regional) SUNY Brockport  
**Nov 14**
- 13 Add **Global Concepts Charter School Page  
46** under Independent
- 18 BASCS AD: **Robert Hasenoehrl**  
**hasenoehrl@bascs.org 854-2490(w)**  
**830-3502(c) 854-5039(fax)**
- 30 Lackawanna AD: **TBA**; Superintendent:  
Fred Wille **until Feb. 1, 2010**
- 30 Kenmore West AD New Secretary: **Karen  
Oliver, koliver@kenton.k12.ny.us**
- 37 Panama: New HS fax number **716-782-4674**
- 39 RoyHart: New AD **John Jablonski**,  
**jablonskij@royhart.org**
- 40 Salamanca Secretary **Pam Hansen**  
phansen@salamancany.org
- 41 Springville interim AD **Archie Bradley**  
**abradley@springvillegi.org 648-3299(W),  
200-7209(C)**
- 43 West Seneca interim AD **Larry Bryant**  
**lbryant@westseneca.wnyric.org**  
**716-677-3144(W), 516-524-0161(C)**
- 43 Tonawanda: New AD **Brad Halgash**  
**bhalgash@tona.wnyric.org**  
**694-7660 x2271(W), 609-0204(C)**
- 44 Westfield Principal: **Ivana Hite**  
ihite@wacs2.wnyric.org
- 44 Williamsville East Principal **Scott Taylor**  
**staylor@williamsvillek12.org**
- 46 Add **Global Concepts Charter School**,  
1001 Ridge Rd., Lackawanna, NY 14218  
821-1903 Fax: 821-9563 <http://globalccs.org>  
Chief School Officer-Richard Fill,  
AD - Tim Mondello 821-1903(W),  
531-1543(C), tmondello@globalccs.org  
No Varsity Sports in 2009-10
- 47 Group #3: New President/Assigner:  
**Tony Nemi**
- 48 Group #7 Thomas **Heppeler**  
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- 48 Group #9  
Michael Talluto **mtalluto@roadrunner.com**  
Jim Ciurczak **NFjimc@roadrunner.com**
- 49 Group #11 Tom Priester **499-1559(C)**
- 49 Group #13: New Secretary **Bill Caldwell**,  
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- 51 Group #20  
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Vice Pres.: (Catt.) **Bill Phearsdorf** fiveorfs@  
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- 53 Group # 25  
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Vice Pres: **Betty Newton**,  
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- 53 Group #27 **Cherril Castle: cherrilw@  
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## Dates to Remember 2010



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| Jan. 7     | Sectional/Intersectional Committee meeting via teleconference 9:00am - noon                                                      | March 4     | Sectional/Intersectional Committee meeting via teleconference 9:00am - noon                                                      | April 28           | Executive Committee Meeting via teleconference 9:00am - noon                                                                     |
| Jan. 20    | Athletic Council meeting, 11:30 am at Erie 1 BOCES, W. Seneca<br>Executive Committee meeting, 9:30 am at Erie 1 BOCES, W. Seneca | March 5     | Deadline for <b>State Winter Scholar/Athlete</b> Team Award Applications                                                         | April 30-<br>May 1 | State Executive Committee Meeting, Binghamton                                                                                    |
| Jan. 22    | Lacrosse Coaching Clinic at SUNY Cortland                                                                                        | March 5     | Field Hockey Coaching Clinic at Field of Dreams, Utica                                                                           | May 6              | Sectional/Intersectional Committee meeting via teleconference 9:00am - noon                                                      |
| Jan. 27    | Spring Sports pre-season meeting 7:00pm Erie 1 BOCES, W. Seneca Room B2a                                                         | March 17-19 | NYSAAA Annual Conference at the Saratoga Hotel                                                                                   | May 4              | NYS Officials Coordinators Federation spring meeting - Syracuse                                                                  |
| Jan. 29    | Softball Coaching Clinic, Field of Dreams, Utica                                                                                 | March 24    | Athletic Council meeting, 11:30 am at Erie 1 BOCES, W. Seneca<br>Executive Committee meeting, 9:30 am at Erie 1 BOCES, W. Seneca | May 8              | <b>Good Sports</b> Assessments forwarded to NYSPHSAA                                                                             |
| Jan. 26-29 | Regents Examinations                                                                                                             | March 26    | XC/Track & Field Coaching Clinic at Holiday Inn, Schenectady                                                                     | May 15             | Deadline for State Spring Scholar/Athlete <b>Team Award</b> Applications                                                         |
| Feb. 9     | Finance Committee Meeting noon at the Section VI office                                                                          | March 26    | Volleyball Coaching Clinic, Union College, Schenectady, NY                                                                       | May 17             | Deadline for Spring Scholar/Athlete <b>All-WNY Individual Award</b> applications to the Section office                           |
| Feb. 15-19 | Winter Break for Erie 1, Erie 2, CA Ellicottville and NO BOCES                                                                   | April 6-17  | Spring Break for CA Olean and Buffalo City Schools                                                                               | May 19             | Athletic Council meeting, 11:30 am at Erie 1 BOCES, W. Seneca<br>Executive Committee meeting, 9:30 am at Erie 1 BOCES, W. Seneca |
| Feb. 24    | Executive Committee Meeting via teleconference 9:00am - noon                                                                     | April 19-23 | Spring Break for Erie 1, Erie 2, CA Ellicottville and NO BOCES                                                                   | May 21             | Cheerleading Coaching Clinic at the Holiday Inn, Fishkill                                                                        |
| Feb. 26    | Baseball Coaching Clinic at Hall of Fame, Cooperstown                                                                            | April 20    | Finance Committee Meeting noon at the Section VI office                                                                          | June 4             | Soccer Coaching Clinic at Field of Dreams, Utica                                                                                 |
| March 1    | Deadline for All-WNY Winter Scholar Athlete applications to the Section office                                                   | April 16    | Deadline for online <b>Good Sports</b> Assessments                                                                               |                    |                                                                                                                                  |

## ERIE 1 BOCES COACHING COURSE SCHEDULE

Phil Coyle (W) 821-7530 (C) 913-7120 (Fax) 821-7409 (Sect) 821-7091  
 Additional courses are posted -> <http://www.section6.e1b.org/> click on the **Bulletin Board**

### THEORY & TECHNIQUES OF COACHING

### CHUCK AMO

March 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 2010 (last date to be determined by instructor)  
 Tuesdays & Thursdays  
 6:30 pm - 10:00 pm  
 Limit: 22 participants  
**Registration Deadline: February 25, 2010**

Hamburg High School  
 Room 216  
 4111 Legion Drive  
 Hamburg, NY 14075  
**\$165.00 per participant**

### PHILOSOPHY, PRINCIPLES & ORGANIZATION OF ATHLETICS

### CHRIS DEMARCO

March 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25, 30 and April 6, 2010  
 Tuesdays & Thursdays  
 6:00 pm - 10:30 pm  
 Limit: 25 participants  
**Registration Deadline: February 24, 2010**

Sweet Home High School  
 Room 501  
 1901 Sweet Home Road  
 Amherst, NY 14228  
**\$165.00 per participant**

### HEALTH SCIENCE APPLIED TO COACHING

### CHRIS KAPLAN

April 12, 14, 26, 28 and May 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 2010  
 Mondays & Wednesdays  
 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm  
**plus balance of this course (15 hours) will be taught online.**  
 Limit: 22 participants  
**Registration Deadline: April 7, 2010**

Maryvale High School  
 Alumni Hall  
 1050 Maryvale Drive  
 Cheektowaga, NY 14225  
**\$165.00 per participant**

### FIRST AID & C.P.R. - IF NEEDED PLEASE CONTACT:

1. Sharon Barley: 574-8254
2. American Red Cross: 886-7500 ask for Safety Services
3. AthletiCare: 517-3334

**CHILD ABUSE:** Patricia Riegler, 822-3333

**SAVE - Violence:** Robert Carlson, 821-7550

## INTERSCHOLASTIC COACHING CERTIFICATION COURSES

### Second Semester Courses 2009-2010

### Erie 2-Chautauqua- Cattaraugus BOCES

716-672-4371 ext. 2062

### PHILOSOPHY, PRINCIPLES AND ORGANIZATION OF ATHLETICS IN EDUCATION

February 2, 4, 9, 11, 23, 25, March 2, 4, 9, 2010  
 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm  
 Instructor: John Bogardus

### HEALTH SCIENCE APPLIED TO COACHING

February 1, 3, 8, 10, 22, 24, March 1, 3, 2010  
 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm  
 Instructor: Marty Hemmer

### THEORIES & TECHNIQUES OF COACHING

March 29, 30, 31, April 1, 2010  
 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm  
 Instructor: Marty Hemmer

### ADULT CPR/AED

January 13, 2010 OR January 25, 2010  
 6:00 pm-10:00 pm

### S.E.D. ADULT CPR COURSE

January 12, 2010  
 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

### FIRST AID SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE UPDATE

January 19, 20, 2010  
 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

### FIRST AID SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

January 25, 26, 27, 28, 2010  
 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

### ONLINE COURSES

### PHILOSOPHY, PRINCIPLES & ORGANIZATION OF ATHLETICS IN EDUCATION ONLINE

January 5, 2010 - April 30, 2010

### THEORY & TECHNIQUE OF COACHING ONLINE

January 11, 2010 - April 30, 2010

### HEALTH SCIENCE APPLIED TO COACHING ONLINE

January 11, 2010 - April 30, 2010

## Nominations Being Accepted

Section VI is currently accepting nominations for **Spring Sport Chairperson** positions. Any member in good standing of the professional staff of a member school may serve as a Sport Chairperson. Appointments will be made at the Athletic Council meeting in May. The Spring Chairpersons will be appointed for a three-year term to expire June 30, 2013. Current nominees are:

- Baseball .....Robert Kowal
- Baseball Asst.....Jim Conley
- Golf (Boys).....Kevin Rice
- Golf (Girls) .....Betsy Ulmer
- Lacrosse (Boys).....John Faller
- Lacrosse (Girls).....Janet Battaglia and Richard Schmitt
- Softball.....Mark Kruzynski and Dan Brooks
- Tennis (Boys) .....Terry McMahon and Mike Graffeo
- Track (Boys) .....Paul Ksionzyk
- Track (Girls).....Walt McLaughlin

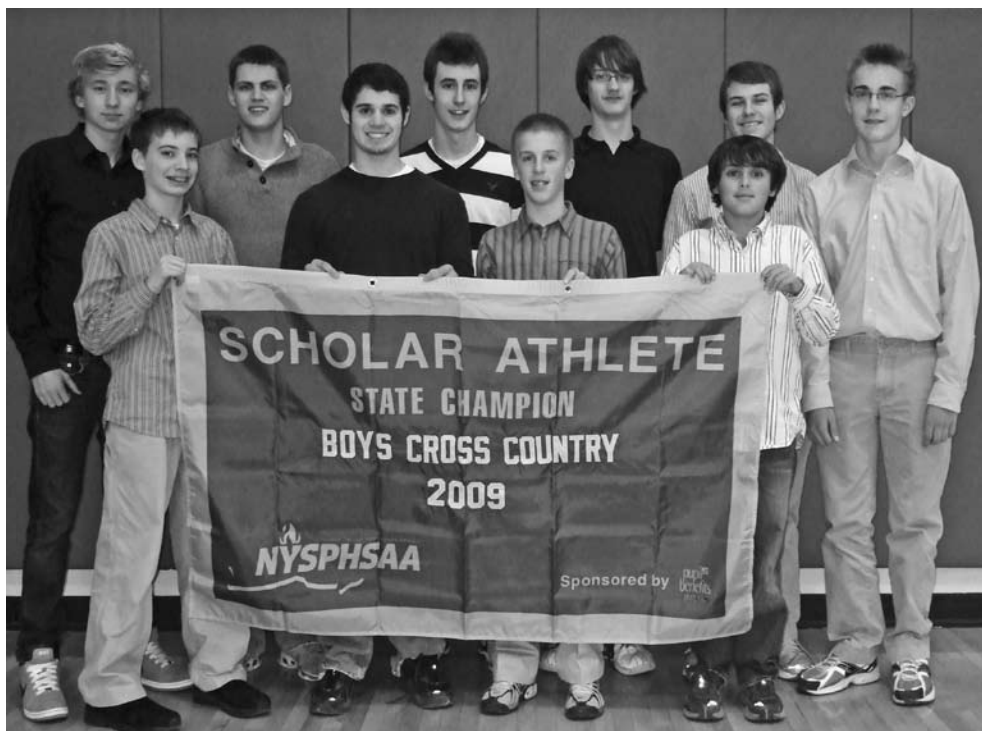
Leagues and Committees are asked to forward nominations to the Section VI office, 355 Harlem Rd., West Seneca, NY 14224 [cszczesny@e1b.org](mailto:cszczesny@e1b.org)



# CONGRATULATIONS

## Section VI Fall Scholar/Athletes State Champions!!

Section VI is pleased to announce that three teams have achieved the State Scholar/Athlete Championship for fall sports!! Congratulations are extended to the **Southwestern Boys Cross Country, Barker Field Hockey and Wilson Football Teams!**



### SOUTHWESTERN BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

**2009 State Champion with a team GPA of 98.840**

Twelve varsity members of the Southwestern Boys Cross Country team had a combined average of 98.840 earning them first place out of 294 teams in the state! This is the 6th team from Southwestern High School that has won a NYSPHSAA Scholar Athlete Team Championship. But the first time for the Boys Cross Country team. This is the first school from Section VI that has won the state award in Boys Cross Country in the 19 year history of the program.

*Shown in the photo (left to right)*

*Row 1: Jordan Powers, Alex Arnal, Peter Mueller, Harrison Troche*

*Row 2: Kris Uldahl, Jake Yartz, Bruce Rockwell, Nathan Schrope, Drew Blasius, Conner Forsberg.*

*Absent from photo: Brett Swan, Collin Hanson*

### BARKER FIELD HOCKEY

**2009 State Champion with a team GPA of 97.381**

Congratulations to the Barker Lady Raiders Field Hockey Team as they have been named the 2009 New York State Public High School Athletic Association Scholar-Athlete Team Champions. The Lady Raiders 97.381 team average earned Barker Central School its first ever State Scholar-Athlete Championship. They placed first out of 154 teams in New York State. Coach Otto's Lady Raiders also excel on the field as they are the 2009 undefeated Niagara-Orleans Champions and Class C Sectional Champions. The Barker Lady Raiders will be formally recognized by the NYSPHSAA and Section VI on Friday, January 22, 2010.



*In the photo, Standing From Left to Right:*

*Coach Jeff Costello, Megan Kieffer, Emily Klatt, Alexandra Denny, Allison Luckman, Brooke Robinson, Eliza Dewart, Olivia Denny, Nicole Rinaldo, Heather Mason, Lindsey Soles, Kayla Moeller, Coach Mary Dudek, Makenzi Strickland, Coach Judith Otto*

*Kneeling from Left to Right: Jessica Hefferon, Jessica Hillman, Alexandra Gancasz, Aileen Hinton, Sienna Dear, Crystal Mott, Rebecca Quackenbush, Brittany Cordaro, Savanna Gancasz*

*Goalies in Front: Daniela Senior and Rachel Anderson*



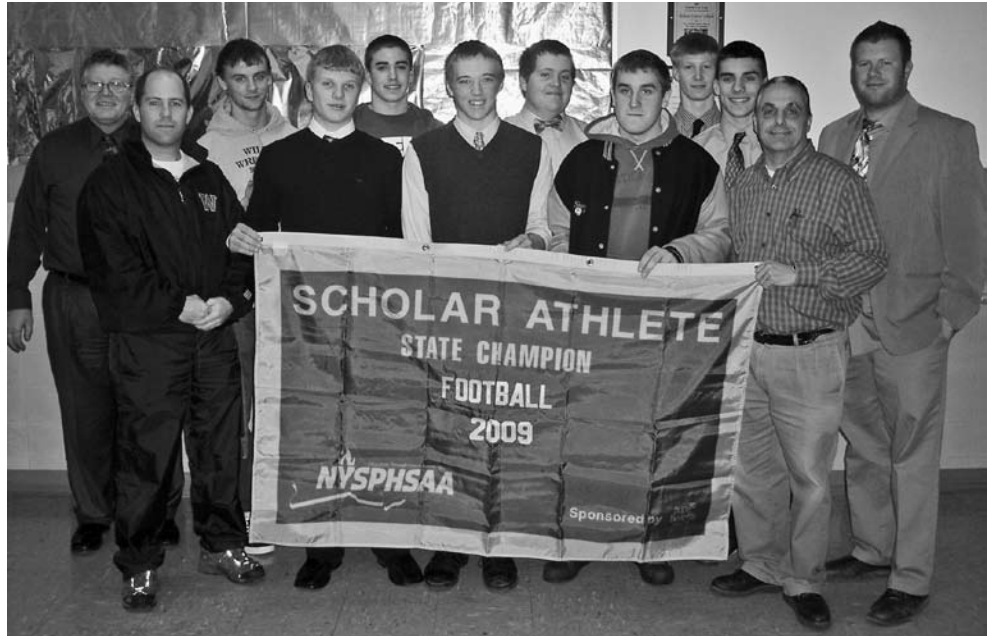
## Section VI Fall Scholar/Athletes State Champions!! continued...

### WILSON FOOTBALL

**2009 State Champion with a team GPA  
of 95.789**

The following 12 varsity football players amassed a combined unweighted GPA of 95.789% to earn them the coveted title of NYSPHSAA State Scholar Athlete Champion in Football, beating 235 other teams in New York: Ryan Kiely, Joseph Starr, Alex Tubridy, Austin Fisher, Cody Reimers, Cameron Sidote, Patrick Walch, Jordan Thilk, Adam Robins, Nathan Meier, Stephen Rieger and John Vincent. These student athletes had an average of 90% or higher: Joshua Kraft, Kyle Martin, Jacob Maacks, Nicholas Seefeldt, Mitchel Thrush, Ethan Baker, Brandon Konstanty and Derrick Smith. The banner presentation is scheduled for February 4th at a home basketball game against arch-rival, Newfane. Dr. Wendt, Section VI President will make the presentation.

It should be noted that the driving force behind these athletes is Head Football Coach Bill Atlas and his assistants, Brian Baker and Al Scarpine. All three coaches stress academics and moral character on a daily basis.



*Left to right: AD Charlie Jufer, Coach Bill Atlas, Austin Fisher, Patrick Walch, Cody Reimers, John Vincent, Ryan Kiely, Steve Reiger, Jordan Thilk, Nate Meier, Coach Al Scarpine and Coach Brian Baker.*

*Absent: Joseph Starr, Alex Tubridy, Cameron Sidote and Adam Robins*

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STATE SCHOLAR ATHLETE CHAMPIONS !!!

### Lumberjacks Reach their Goal: Class AA State Champions!!

Since the end of the 2008 football season at North Tonawanda, every player and coach worked with the same goal in mind.... STATE CHAMPION CLASS AA 2009. The **North Tonawanda Lumberjack football team** stayed focused and reached this goal! They finished their first ever undefeated season in 2009 with a 13-0 record by defeating New Rochelle 14-7 in the Class AA State Championship football game.



No one individual stood out above the rest as the state championship was earned in a total TEAM fashion. The signature of this squad was its depth. Week in and week out different players stepped up to lead the Jacks. While headline performances were delivered by many individuals, the unsung heroes worked to make it happen.



The season was filled with many records being broken and milestones being set including most wins in a season and most points scored in a season. Two highlights were the 100<sup>th</sup> TNT game, won by NT 68 – 7 and coach Jantzi's 100<sup>th</sup> game as head coach – the State Final victory which gives him a 80 -20 record. Aaron Davis became the schools all time point leader and Sean McDonough became the all time sack leader. The fact that Section 6 was 4 for 4 again was perfect as well.

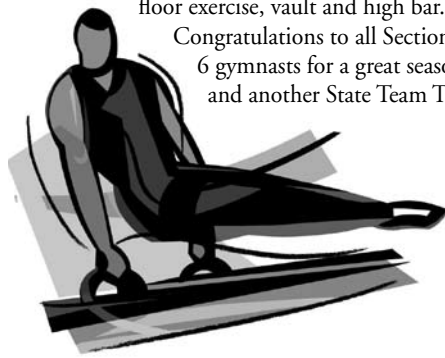
The Lumberjacks, coached by Eric Jantzi, are the first Niagara County team to win a state championship. The pride runs deep through out the community and is entrenched in tradition as record crowds cheered the Jacks. The Jacks motto "You can't beat NT" was more than true.

## Section VI Boys Gymnastics Dominates at States

By Joe Buscaglia

For the seventh straight year in a row, the Section 6 New York State Boys Gymnastics Team finished in first place winning another State Championship. The Section 6 boys gymnastics team scored 156.25 points beating Section 3 by 35 points. Section 6 continues to dominate boys gymnastics at the state level. A Section 6 gymnast won a state championship in each of the six events and the all around competition, shutting out the other sections. The victory was a combined team effort and all gymnasts competed well. Leading the team with strong performances were Clarence gymnast **Jonathan Zirna** and Williamsville South gymnast **Nathaniel Roberson**. Jonathan Zirna placed first in the all around competition and won a state title on pommel horse, rings and parallel bars. Nathaniel Roberson placed second in the all around competition and won a state title on floor exercise, vault and high bar.

Congratulations to all Section 6 gymnasts for a great season and another State Team Title!



## Barker Claims Their First State Title

The **Barker Boys Cross-Country Team** captured Barker Central School's first ever, Team State Championship this year. The boys beat the two-time defending State Champions, Beaver River by 10 points. They did it with a "pack attack", the gap between the first runner and 5th runner was a very tight 25 seconds. Placing 20th and making the All-State team was sophomore, Mike Lantinen, with a time of 17:00. Placing 22nd was senior tri-captain, Erick Bennes, with a time of 17:05. Next, placing 23rd was sophomore, Tyler Scheving, with a time of 17:07. Fourth on the team, placing 33rd, was senior tri-captain, Ryan Lamb, with a time of 17:19. Rounding out the top five was sophomore Jed Platt, placing 39th with a time of 17:25. Sixth for Barker was senior David Poyfair placing 71st in a time of 18:32. Seventh for Barker was senior tri-captain, Matthew Sweeney, placing 73rd with a time of 18:40.

In addition to a State Championship there were many other accolades achieved by the team. The only 4 losses of the season were at the first invitational where they lost to 4 of the top teams in New York State. After that, the boys never lost again. They captured victories at Beaver Island, McQuaid, and Alden invitationals. They powered their way through the Niagara-Orleans League Meet by earning 4 of the top 7 places on the All-League Team. The team remained undefeated in league competition for the 2nd year in a row. At Sectionals they captured 5 of the top 7 spots with Erick Bennes being Barker's 4th ever Sectional Champion. That was the 4th Sectional Championship in 6 years for the Raiders. Their final All-Western New York Small Schools Ranking is #1 and their final New York State Ranking is #1. Along with their athletic accomplishments, they are also a Scholar Athlete team for the 7th consecutive year. The team is coached by Paul Dersarkissian and Assistant coach Sharon Lamb.



## East Aurora Girls Cross Country Win 5th Class B State Title

Excerpted from the Buffalo News

Led by senior Catherine Phillips, three East Aurora runners finished in the top 10 as the Blue Devils won their fifth straight state girls Class B title. In the Class B race, East Aurora finished 12 points ahead of second-place Honeoye Falls Lima and was fifth among all schools. Phillips, eighth grader Marta McLaughlin and junior Megan Hulton finished 6-7-8 for the Blue Devils.

Some season team stats include:

- Undefeated dual meet and invitational meet season.
- ECIC Division and Overall Champions
- Section 6 Class B and Overall Champions
- \*Ran the second fastest team time ever on the Elma Meadows Course.
- NYS Class B Champions
- NYS Federation Meet 5th Place
- Nike National Qualifier Meet 5th Place
- Nike National Open Race 2nd Place/11th in the National Seeded Merge Results

All 8 girls were ECIC All Stars. Catherine Phillips was All WNY Girl Runner of the Year. Marta McLaughlin was All WNY 8th Grade Runner of the Year, 1st Team XC Selection, ECIC & Section 6 Overall Individual Champion and Checkers All Star Champion. Sarah Anstett was All WNY 10th Grade Runner of the Year and 1st Team XC Selection. Megan Hulton was All WNY 11th Grade Runner of the Year and 1st Team XC Selection. Paige Anderson was All WNY 2nd Team XC Selection. Sarah Mars and Allyssa McLaughlin were All WNY Honorable Mention. Amanda Westfall was a Team Alternate and Sectional and Federation Meet Participant.



Pictured from L to R are: Sarah Anstett, Catherine Phillips, Sarah Mars, Marta McLaughlin, Megan Hulton, Paige Anderson, Amanda Westfall, and Allyssa McLaughlin.

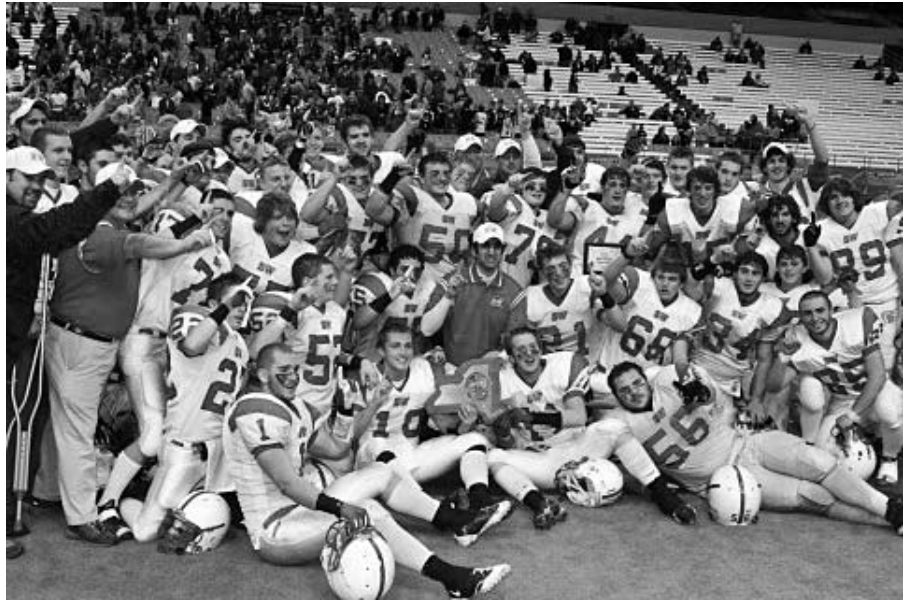
## Southwestern Takes Class C Football Title Second Year in a Row

"Past accomplishment is the enemy of future success." With this slogan, the Southwestern Trojan football team began the 2009 season with one goal in mind. . . a State Championship. After winning the 2008 New York State Class C Championship, the Trojans were focused on remaining humble and defending their title. The Trojans finished the 2009 season with a 13-0 record and second consecutive Class C State Championship.

During the regular season, Southwestern ran through the Class C South League and advanced to the Section VI championship at Ralph Wilson Stadium. The Trojans showed that they could win the close games by defeating Eden 21-8. The Far West Regional and a meeting with Letchworth resulted in a 28-14 win over the upstart Indians. The next week, the Trojans returned to Rochester to face New York football power Chenango Forks. The Trojans defense produced a 21-0 shut out in dominating fashion. Southwestern had earned a return trip to the Carrier Dome to face the Bronxville Broncos.

The Trojans had a chance to hold on to the #1 state ranking from wire to wire. All that stood in their way was the 11-0 and physically impressive Section I champions, Bronxville. The Trojans offense scorched the Broncos on the ground and in the air while the defense employed the classic "bend but don't break" mentality. The end result was a 40-14 victory.

The Trojans were led by seventh year head coach Jay Sirianni. The team's captains were seniors Zack Sopak, Tanner Delahoy, Levi Bursch, and Jasen Carlson. Along with a second straight Class C State Championship, the Trojans upped their consecutive win streak to 29 straight games.



## City Honors Girls Volleyball Claims Class C State Title

The **City Honors Centaurs** swept each of their playoff opponents in their quest of their first state title since 1995. The Centaurs which lost to eventual state champion Salamanca in last year's sectional Class C final, has won four championships in its previous six tournament appearances. Congratulations to the City Honors Girls Volleyball Team, Coach Deborah Matos and Asst. Coach Ifeoma Ifedigbo!

League Championship: 13-0: matches. 39-0: sets. (w/out dropping a set - 24<sup>th</sup> consecutive season)

Sectional Championship: 3-0: matches. 9-0: sets. (def. Wilson, Gowanda & Falconer)

Regional Championship: 1-0: match. 3-0: sets. (def. Nazareth Academy)

State Semi-Final: 6-0: sets. Pool play (def. E. Rockaway, Tioga and Loudonville Christian)

State Championship: 1-0: match. 3-0: sets. (def. Loudonville Christian.)

**2009 Record:** 21-0 (matches), 61-0 (sets) The "perfect" season!

### State Semi-Final and Final Stats:

Setter: Senior Natalya Burgess: 95 assists, 18 digs, 6 kills, 4 aces.

Outside Hitter: Senior Alysia Negron: 17 kills, 11 aces, 30 digs.

Outside Hitter: Senior Carly Daniel: 32 kills, 33 digs, 2 aces.

Middle Blocker: Senior Naya Young: 13 solo blocks, 7 kills, 1 dig.

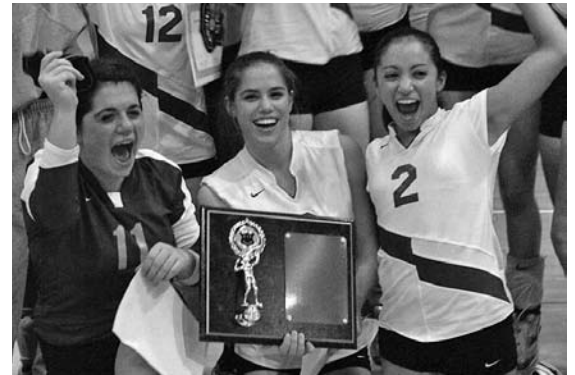
Middle Blocker: Junior Natalie Southard: 16 solo blocks, 36 kills, 21 digs, 6 aces.

Libero: Senior Brielle Sansone: 53 digs, 4 aces.

### State Tournament Awards:

Brielle Sansone: All-Tournament Team

Natalie Southard: Tournament MVP, Sportsmanship Award.





# Randolph Cardinal Football 2009 Class D State Champions

By: Ryan Beach

What a ride! The Randolph Cardinals brought home their second state championship on November 28, by blanking the Moriah Vikings 41-0. The Cardinals ended the season with 12 straight wins and finished with a final record of 12-1. Over the course of the season the Cardinals racked up an impressive 394 points while a stingy defense allowed only 124. It was a long road getting to the Dome, however, and the Cardinals spectacular playoff run was nothing short of amazing.

The Cardinals opened the 2009 playoff campaign by facing the Frewsburg Bears, who the Cardinals had beaten 27-14 only two weeks prior. Playing the entire game in a sideways rainstorm, the Cardinals went into halftime tied 7-7 but came out blazing in the second half scoring 14 points in the final two quarters capped by an incredible Matt Hettenbaugh 52 yard touchdown run which put the game out of reach. In the final game that any senior would ever play in Randolph, the Cardinals hosted the Portville Panthers, whom they had also beaten in the regular season 41-0. This time around, however, was a much different story. Leading only 10-0 at the halfway mark, Portville managed to bring the game as close as 10-6, but Randolph proved too strong and went on to win the game 23-13, thus earning them a spot in the Section VI championship against the Maple Grove Red Dragons.

As most people know, Maple Grove was the only team to beat Randolph this year in week one 7-6 by way of a controversial touchdown late in the game. But this time around, the Cards were determined to avenge the loss and move on in the state playoffs. They held to that resolve and went into halftime 13-7 by way of a 7-yard Mike Maycock touchdown run and a 2-yard Matt Hettenbaugh touchdown. Coming out of the half the Cardinals looked too

much to handle as they drove the kickoff methodically down the field and with another Hettenbaugh touchdown and Maycock two point conversion, the Cardinals jumped out to a 21-7 lead heading into the fourth quarter.

However, the game was far from over. After recovering a Randolph fumble, the Red Dragons stormed down the field and scored a touchdown to make the score 21-14 with 5 minutes left to play. A Cardinals three-and-out gave the Dragons one last shot at tying the game up with 2 minutes to play. A few passes later Maple Grove was back in the end zone, but a wide right extra point gave the Cardinals the victory by a score of 21-20.

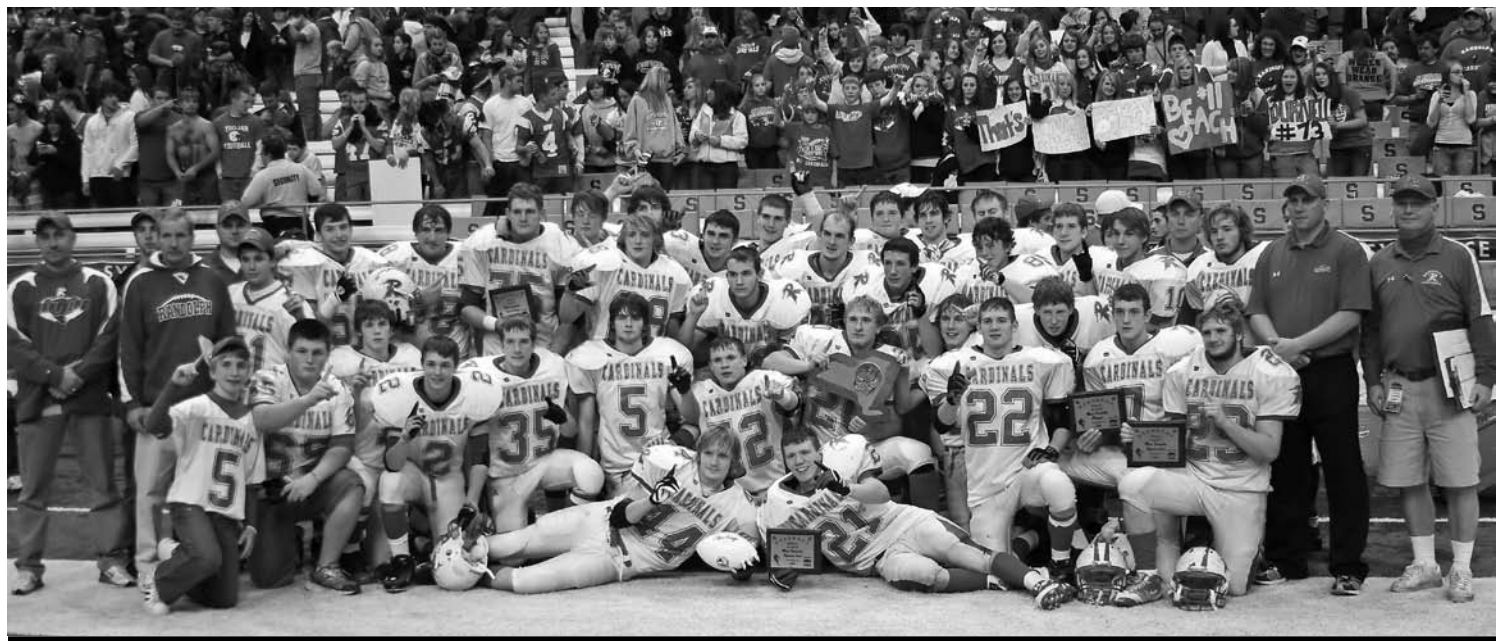
The next Friday night proved to be just as challenging as the Cardinals faced the Dundee Scotsmen from Section V, and Dundee's explosive running back Stephen Webb in the NYS Far West Regional Game. After giving up an early touchdown, the Cards blocked the extra point and then marched down the field and took the lead 7-6 on a Hettenbaugh 1-yard plunge. Another 1 yard touchdown from Hettenbaugh added to the Cardinal lead making the score 14-6 going into the half. That proved to be just enough as Randolph held that same margin all the way through and won 14-6 thanks to a Kyle Luce game saving tackle on Webb on a 4<sup>th</sup> and 11 play with a minute to go in the contest. Hettenbaugh earned Offensive MVP honors for the game and Luce won the Time



Warner Sports player of the game.

The next week, the Cardinals came into the game against the number one team in the state, the Groton Indians, unsure of what to expect. What they got however, was a lopsided, record-setting, win for the ages by the score of 61-8. The Cardinals took a 28-0 lead at the half and never looked back. Alan Lockwood led the offense with 220 yards on the ground with 4 touchdowns while Hettenbaugh had 228 yards and two touchdowns while Travis Terry had 105 yards and 2 touchdowns to lead Randolph. In the victory, Randolph set new state records in rushing yards (601), most rushing touchdowns (9), and first downs (28). That win meant a lot more too, because it meant the Cardinals would be playing for their second State Championship in 4 years at the Carrier Dome in Syracuse.

STATE FINALS: After the week one loss to Maple Grove, it was hard to believe that we would have made it this far. But through perseverance, hard work, and superb coaching led the Cardinals through the State Playoffs to meet the Moriah Vikings in the Carrier Dome with a



*Randolph Cardinal Football continued...*

State Championship on the line. In front of 1500 Randolph faithful, the Cardinals didn't disappoint. Alan Lockwood broke the game open with a highlight-reel 54-yard touchdown run and a Nick Milliman extra point put the Cardinals up 7-0. Randolph then held the Moriah offense for the second time in the game and took the ball right back down the field for a 2-yard Matt Lundsten touchdown that put the Cards up 14-0.

After trading possessions back and forth, the Cardinals had possession of the ball at Moriah's 44 yard line and the unthinkable happened. Mike Maycock took the snap from center, dropped

back to throw, and connected with Ryan Beach for a 39-yard completion all the way down to the four yard line. It was Maycock's first pass in over a month and it came at just the right time as it set up his 4-yard touchdown on the very next play which made the score 20-0 with just over a minute left in the half. But the Cardinals weren't done yet. After a Brady Morrison strip and fumble recovery, Maycock hit Eric Bruder on consecutive plays of 22 yards and a beautiful 15 yard touchdown to make the score 27-0 going into the half.

That proved to be more than enough as Randolph simply overwhelmed Moriah on both sides of the ball. In the second half Matt

Hettenbaugh and Travis Terry each added touchdowns of their own leaving the final score 41-0 in favor of Randolph. Hettenbaugh led the rushing attack with 111 yards while Lockwood had 92 yards. The defense which had played exceptionally all season only yielded 121 yards of total offense to the Vikings. In the postgame celebrations, several Randolph players received awards as Brandon Durnell won the sportsmanship award, Ben Fluent won the most valuable defensive lineman award, Lockwood won the most valuable offensive back, Hettenbaugh won most valuable defensive back, and Mike Maycock won the game's MVP award.

## Eden Avenges Finals Loss to Rule the State for Seventh Time

*by Mike Petro, The Sun sports editor*

All season, Eden tried to erase the memory of falling just a point short of a state championship. What a better way to end that chase for the Raiders than by defeating the same team they lost to by a meager margin in that final just a year ago. Eden avenged its five-game loss in the 2008 championship game in dominant fashion beating Hendrick Hudson 3-0 (25-15, 25-7, 25-22) for the State Class B title on Nov. 22 in Glens Falls Civic Center.

The win also had huge significance for the program because it puts Eden first in the state with seven overall titles. The Raiders also won in 1996, from 2000 to '02 and in 2006 and '07, along with being ranked nationally last season, but head coach Stephen Pierce said this year's squad is being regarded by many as the state's best-ever.

"It's hard to make the comparisons but they certainly made their case for being the best," said Pierce, whose team finished the season with a 57-1-1 overall record. "It did make it sweeter to do this beating Hendrick Hudson. You want to face the team that beat you. We had match point last year and couldn't quite finish. I would have to say it must have been in the back of everyone's mind." Pierce said he could tell that the Raiders came into the championship match confident, before cruising to the title behind their highly touted senior class of Stacey Smith, Katie Eschner, and twin sisters, Hailee and Hannah Herc. Pierce noted that when Hendrick Hudson attempted to thwart Eden's strength in the middle with the 6-foot, 3-inch Smith and Eschner using two to three blockers, the Raiders went to the outside where the Hercs were scoring with prolific strikes. "I give them credit for trying to come out and stop our strength, but when Hannah and Hailee delivered those bombs from the outside, it demoralized them in the first two games," Pierce noted.

Hendrick Hudson seemed energized by a large supporting crowd in the third game and took an early lead after the Raiders had not trailed throughout the first two, according to Pierce. Eden got back the lead back at 7-6 and

never trailed again, later on opening up a 23-18 advantage. "(Hendrick Hudson) is a championship team and they weren't going to go out without a fight," Pierce said. "We had taken back control but toward the end of the match, our girls really started feeling that they were just about there and got a little tight, so it finished a little closer than expected. Stacey was there to finish the match with a huge kill."

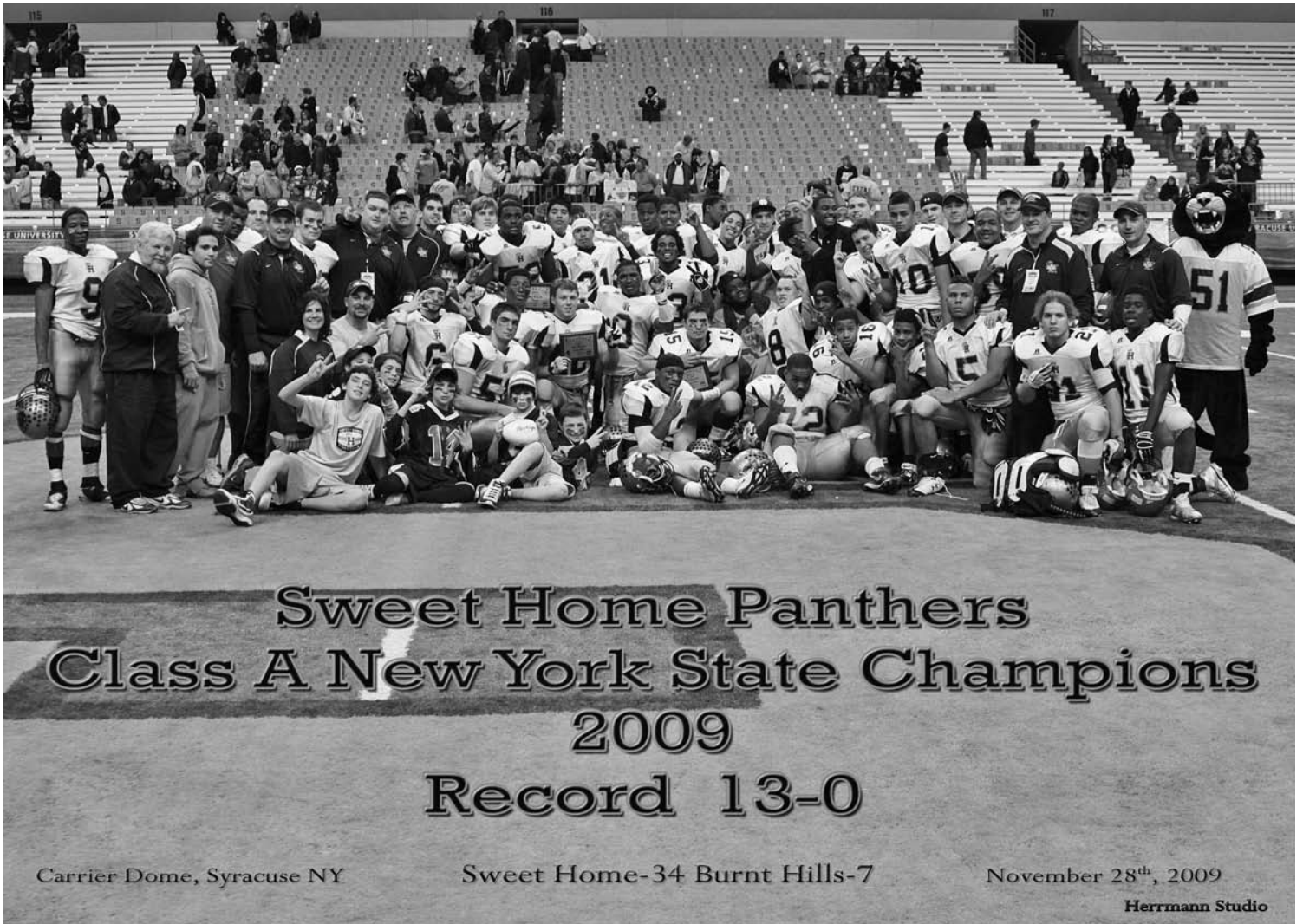
Smith would finish with 14 kills in the match and with her dominant play was named Most Valuable Player of the Tournament, which included pool play between the four teams the day prior. The teams played each other twice and the best two records advanced. Eden finished 6-0 in pool play, including two dominant wins in games over the team it would face again the next day in the final. Hannah Herc was also selected to the all-tournament team.

Eden will have some huge shoes to fill from

this season with Smith being recruited by big-time Division I schools but is still undecided, Hailee Herc committing to Stoney Brook, Hannah Herc to Kent State and Eschner to play at the Division II or III level. However, the Eden machine will return some key pieces to a squad looking to create their own legacy next season and into the future. Leading that crew will be starting juniors Heather Feldman, a Division I prospect at setter, and Anna King, the team's libero, along with sophomore middle hitter Kendall Pierce and eighth graders Lainy Pierce and Heather Holscher, who played up at the varsity on an already talented team.

"In my closing speech to the team, about 45 minutes after the championship match, I said to them that they were fortunate to be led by such quality kids who pay so much attention to how they lead, how they carry themselves and their work ethic," the 17th-year head coach said. "Hopefully, we can pick up where they left off."





## Sweet Home Two-Time Class A State Football Champs!!

Sweet Home captured their second straight Class A New York State Championship in football going 13-0 for the 2009 season and having a current 26-0 record.

Sweet Home defeated Burnt Hills 34-7 in the Championship Game at the Syracuse Dome. Sweet Home finished #1 in New York State and #1 in the final Buffalo News Poll. Sweet Home was presented an award from Max Preps as one of the top High Schools in the Nation and the only team from New York to be selected in the 50 teams being recognized across the United States. The team coached by John Faller.





## Kenmore West Swimmers Shine at States Once Again

By Coach Carrie Meetze

**Marissa Dressel**, a senior at Kenmore West, won the 100 free for the 2nd year in a row at the NYSPHSAA swim meet in Webster, Rochester. She won the race pretty easily and she swam the race perfectly. It was perfect from start to finish. With this being her 6th year on the varsity swim team, Marissa knows what it takes to come home a state champion. At the end of her swimming career at Ken-West, Marissa owns 8 of the 11 school records and 7 of 11 NFL records. She has 2 Section 6 records and 1 state record in the 200 free. Since she started swimming back in 7th grade on the varsity team, she had broken 62 records from various schools, including Kenmore West. Obviously, some of these were her own records that she broke. Marissa has won 20 of a possible 24 NFL titles and 17 of 24 possible Sectional titles during her career. She will be remembered for a long time at Kenmore West and I believe it will take a very special swimmer to take her name off the record boards at KW. She is attending Alabama in the fall!

The **Kenmore West 400 free relay team**, consisting of Marissa Dressel, Leah Villari (12th grade), Haley Rice (10th grade), and Lindsey Sagasta (10th grade) took the 400 free relay State Championship this year. This foursome also swam together last year, finishing 6th in this event. Anyone can see the great chemistry these girls have. It is pretty special when 4 swimmers come together and swim personal best times at the same meet, which is exactly what they did. The girls won this event at Sectionals by about 9 seconds over the 2nd place team. They had to wait to see some competition at the state meet. They were out in front the entire race, but it came down to our anchor, Leah, to pull it out for us. We finished 1st by only 9 hundredths of a second. It was a fantastic finish to the meet, since this was the last event. The girls broke the Ken-West school record from 2006, their main focus at this meet. These girls are the best of friends and had no voices after this race because they were cheering for each other so loudly. Ken-West has never won a relay before at states, so this was just another huge victory for these girls. This record will be very hard to beat.



## Olean Champion Swimmers Post New Record

The **Olean High School Girls Swimming 200 Medley Relay Team** won the State Title at the NYSPHSAA Championships held at Webster High School on Saturday, November 21, 2009. They tied for 1<sup>st</sup> place with Brewster of Section 1. There was no swim-off and both teams shared the title as well as the meet points. The winning time of 1:49.36 was also a new OHS school record. The team, (from left to right) Summer Sawaya (butterfly), Rachel Bantelman (backstroke), Grace Williamson (breaststroke), & Emily Simon (freestyle) also swam a qualifying time of 1:49.34 on Friday, which was the BEST time of the state championships. This was the first time Olean ever had a state champion in swimming. Congratulations to the OHS "State Champions", Coach Brown and Coach Johnson.

# SCHOLAR/ATHLETE TEAM AWARD PROGRAM

The NYSPHSAA, Inc. believes that the athletic participation of students enhances their academic performances. To support this belief, The Scholar/Athlete Team Award Program was begun in 1991. Varsity teams who earn a 90.0% or higher average during their sport season qualify for the NYSPHSAA award. The Pupil Benefits Plan, Inc. became the co-sponsor of the program in 1995.

## Section VI Team Award Winners – Fall 2009

\*\* State Champion

### Wilson Football, Barker Field Hockey and Southwestern Boys Cross Country

#### BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

<b>Southwestern**</b>	<b>98.840</b>
Clarence	98.018
Royalton Hartland	96.650
Dunkirk	96.286
Sweet Home	96.079
East Aurora	95.967
Depew	95.906
Williamsville North	95.463
Williamsville East	95.457
Newfane	95.143
Lancaster	95.106
Barker	94.850
Alden	94.800
Eden	94.440
Frewsburg	93.841
Frontier	93.726
Hutchinson Tech	93.556
Maple Grove	93.278
Hamburg	93.226
Starpoint	93.224
Olean	93.079
Lockport	92.983
West Seneca East	92.774
Wilson	92.697
Lewiston Porter	92.610
Tonawanda	92.471
Allegany-Limestone	92.400
Leonardo da Vinci	92.336
Albion	91.995
Lake Shore	91.984
North Tonawanda	91.914
Cleveland Hill	91.830
Akron	91.562
Williamsville South	91.235
Niagara-Wheatfield	91.057
Kenmore West	90.990
Iroquois	90.946
Amherst	90.783
Fredonia	90.714
Springville	90.706
Grand Island	90.571
City Honors	90.346
Kenmore East	90.222

Williamsville East	95.034
Lake Shore	94.515
Iroquois	94.399
Newfane	94.337
Eden	93.907
Frontier	93.882
Barker	93.876
Hamburg	93.721
Medina	93.669
Amherst	93.274
Depew	93.257
Lockport	92.439
East Aurora	92.436
Wilson	92.304
Sweet Home	92.155
Williamsville North	92.079
Niagara Falls	92.000
Tonawanda	91.904
Albion	91.668
Williamsville South	91.643
Starpoint	91.517
West Seneca East	91.415
Pioneer	91.197
Niagara-Wheatfield	91.113
Lewiston Porter	90.991
Grand Island	90.429

West Seneca West	92.908
Cheektowaga	92.868
Frontier	92.823
Akron	92.667
Maple Grove	92.606
Williamsville East	92.603
Brocton	92.489
Frewsburg	92.485
Hamburg	92.382
Starpoint	92.168
Williamsville North	92.141
Allegany-Limestone	91.342
Cassadaga Valley	91.223
Holland	91.050
Amherst	90.972
Pioneer	90.854
Williamsville South	90.769
Eden	90.722
Ellicottville	90.577
Lewiston Porter	90.493
Kenmore East	90.409
Kenmore West	90.375
Grand Island	90.333
Chautauqua Lake	90.135

Sweet Home	94.324
Newfane	93.934
Royalton Hartland	93.622
Williamsville East	93.278
Medina	93.028
East Aurora	92.843
Williamsville North	92.629
Eden	92.319
Lancaster	92.280
Kenmore West	91.611
West Seneca East	91.452
Williamsville South	91.147
Starpoint	90.962
Amherst	90.929
Pioneer	90.614
Akron	90.453
Kenmore East	90.163

#### BOYS GYMNASTICS

Clarence	92.152
Will. South, East & West	91.627
Hamburg	91.055

#### BOYS SOCCER

Olean	95.417
Lockport	95.412
Wilson	95.393
Lancaster	95.105
Maryvale	94.375
Falconer	94.275
Sweet Home	94.158
West Seneca East	93.784
Medina	93.522
Springville	93.504
East Aurora	93.495
Alden	93.488
North Tonawanda	93.450
Southwestern	93.316
Albion	93.309
Westfield	93.154
Iroquois	93.052
Clarence	92.908

#### BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Cheektowaga	94.961
Frontier	94.461
Sweet Home	94.166
Williamsville North	93.901
Clarence	93.465
West Seneca East	93.149
Eden	93.113
East Aurora	92.974
Lake Shore	92.673
Starpoint	92.410
Lockport	92.166
Iroquois	92.110
Williamsville East	91.480
Kenmore East	90.507
Kenmore West	90.322
Amherst	90.102
Williamsville South	90.016

#### FIELD HOCKEY

<b>Barker*</b>	<b>97.381</b>
Clarence	95.508
West Seneca West	94.938
Iroquois	94.900
Hamburg	94.719
Wilson	94.578

#### FOOTBALL

<b>Wilson**</b>	<b>95.789</b>
Lockport	95.380
Lancaster	95.303
Clarence	94.869
Alden	94.488
Lake Shore	94.157
Southwestern	94.131
North Tonawanda	94.017
Falconer	93.998
Cassadaga Valley	93.689
Williamsville North	93.527
Eden	93.343
Albion	93.107
West Valley	92.984
Allegany-Limestone	92.892
Iroquois	92.833
Springville	92.323
West Seneca East	92.227
Panama	92.164
East Aurora	92.110
Cheektowaga	92.048
Frontier	92.025
West Seneca West	92.024
Hamburg	91.887
Williamsville East	91.752
Barker	91.638
Sweet Home	91.510
Pine Valley	91.463
Maple Grove	91.419
Pioneer	91.158
Kenmore West	90.782
Lewiston Porter	90.334

#### BOYS GOLF

Clarence	98.229
Alden	95.729
Springville	95.366
West Seneca West	95.287

Cleveland Hill	90.167
Williamsville South	90.143
Grand Island	90.083
Starpoint	90.078

### GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Clarence	97.823
West Seneca West	97.524
Falconer	97.064
East Aurora	97.000
Leonardo da Vinci	96.986
Frontier	96.881
Southwestern	96.591
Lockport	96.291
Maple Grove	95.821
Williamsville North	95.607
Depew	95.470
Hamburg	95.470
North Tonawanda	95.357
Iroquois	95.137
Newfane	94.852
Allegany-Limestone	94.729
Springville	94.383
Lake Shore	94.190
Pioneer	94.139
Cleveland Hill	93.761
Wilson	93.549
West Seneca East	93.520
Williamsville East	93.516
Albion	93.234
Starpoint	92.938
Hutchinson Tech	92.591
Orchard Park	92.490
Amherst	92.375
Sweet Home	92.285
Kenmore West	91.796
Lancaster	91.775
Alden	91.771
Niagara-Wheatfield	91.689
Williamsville South	91.329
Fredonia	91.026
Barker	90.886
Grand Island	90.571
Frewsburg	90.383
Lewiston Porter	90.210
City Honors	90.132

### GIRLS GOLF

Williamsville North	90.959
Williamsville South	90.478

### GIRLS GYMNASTICS

Hamburg	97.830
Maryvale	96.971
Lancaster	96.377
Clarence	95.908
Williamsville North	95.317
Frontier	94.534
Sweet Home	94.528
Williamsville South	92.146

Kenmore East	91.268
Lewiston Porter	90.602
Amherst	90.321

### GIRLS SOCCER

Southwestern	96.588
Medina	96.369
Iroquois	96.058
Alden	96.017
Allegany-Limestone	95.950
Hamburg	95.742
Depew	95.554
Lockport	95.548
Hutchinson Tech	95.357
Albion	95.335
East Aurora	95.110
Frontier	95.075
West Seneca West	95.012
Falconer	95.001
Maple Grove	94.881
Springville	94.862
Lancaster	94.647
Sweet Home	94.501
Franklinville	94.456
Portville	94.427
Olean	94.408
Wilson	94.360
Cassadaga Valley	94.266
Barker	94.248
Williamsville East	94.222
Westfield	94.159
Lewiston Porter	94.046
Newfane	94.001
Williamsville North	93.996
Eden	93.859
West Seneca East	93.784
Ellicottville	93.780
Clarence	93.740
Orchard Park	93.709
Jamestown	93.619
Pioneer	93.448
Starpoint	93.255
West Valley	93.079
Pine Valley	93.043
Williamsville South	92.916
Lake Shore	92.819
Brocton	92.803
Chautauqua Lake	92.224
Maryvale	92.208
Amherst	91.939
Holland	91.923
Cheektowaga	91.712
Dunkirk	91.417
Kenmore East	91.252
Frewsburg	91.243
Akron	91.148
Kenmore West	90.984
Grand Island	90.500
Tonawanda	90.456
North Tonawanda	90.383
Salamanca	90.368
Fredonia	90.258

### GIRLS SWIMMING & DIVING

Clarence	97.938
Sweet Home	97.289
Lockport	97.258
Southwestern	96.795
Frewsburg	96.605
Williamsville North	96.596
Frontier	96.502
Williamsville East	96.377
Hamburg	96.372
Olean	96.094
West Seneca West	95.387
Cheektowaga	95.275
Iroquois	94.985
Eden	94.965
Cleveland Hill	94.942
Maryvale	94.873
Starpoint	94.608
West Seneca East	94.523
East Aurora	94.497
Lake Shore	94.486
Alden	94.314
North Tonawanda	94.248
Lewiston Porter	93.663
Allegany-Limestone	93.391
Springville	92.878
Chautauqua Lake	92.845
Amherst	92.811
Dunkirk	91.909
Holland	91.796
Kenmore West	91.452
Pioneer	90.962
Williamsville South	90.482
Kenmore East	90.223
Panama	90.181
Salamanca	90.109
Fredonia	90.088
Silver Creek	90.027
Grand Island	90.000

### GIRLS TENNIS

Depew	97.320
Sweet Home	97.026
Southwestern	96.796
Falconer	95.920
Clarence	95.836
Iroquois	95.639
Lancaster	95.568
Williamsville East	95.187
Frontier	95.148
Alden	95.100
Hamburg	94.950
North Tonawanda	94.800
West Seneca East	94.703
East Aurora	94.533
Maryvale	94.378
Springville	94.351
Frewsburg	94.092
Lockport	94.004
Orchard Park	93.936

Williamsville North	93.908
Eden	93.531
Kenmore East	93.488
Olean	93.443
Lake Shore	93.309
Starpoint	93.181
Lewiston Porter	93.018
Grand Island	93.000
Jamestown	92.763
Amherst	92.673
West Seneca West	91.574
Tonawanda	91.469
Kenmore West	90.309
Maple Grove	90.304
Dunkirk	90.000

### GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Wilson	97.256
Medina	97.246
Depew	96.575
Pine Valley	96.524
Lancaster	96.049
West Seneca West	95.833
Southwestern	95.760
Lockport	95.681
Cheektowaga	95.675
Cassadaga Valley	95.404
Albion	95.079
Frontier	94.624
Eden	94.596
Randolph	94.531
Orchard Park	94.501
Alden	94.100
Royalton Hartland	94.075
Newfane	93.969
Clarence	93.827
Hamburg	93.583
Sweet Home	93.556
East Aurora	93.438
West Seneca East	93.426
Westfield	93.400
North Tonawanda	93.220
Allegany-Limestone	92.763
Iroquois	92.732
Ellicottville	92.698
Williamsville North	92.624
Barker	92.475
Williamsville East	92.356
Starpoint	92.308
Tonawanda	92.303
Lake Shore	92.115
Kenmore East	91.902
Maryvale	91.625
Lewiston Porter	91.601
Falconer	91.524
Cleveland Hill	91.425
Maple Grove	90.993
Springville	90.821
West Valley	90.783
Fredonia	90.051
Grand Island	90.000



# Always A Winner...

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## ALL WNY "GOOD SPORT" PROGRAM- MODELS OF SPORTSMANSHIP IN ACTION SELECTION CRITERIA

Sportsmanship just doesn't happen...it must be taught! Students learn immeasurable and unique lessons through interscholastic athlete participation. Educators universally agree, of all the goals established as outcomes for secondary students involved in school sports, sportsmanship is primary. Student athletes who learn to value and practice sportsmanship are developing the characteristics of good citizenship. Honesty, generosity, self discipline, a sincere concern for others, ethical behavior and a commitment to fair play are all demonstrated in sportsmanship. These are the criteria for the All WNY "Good Sports" award.

This award program is carried out seasonally for all sports in Section VI. Each division for each sport within the league is asked to select a team that best exemplifies good sportsmanship to receive the team award. The team selected then chooses one student athlete to receive the individual award, an All WNY "Good Sports" patch. The names are given to the Section VI Sportchair or directly to Doug Ames, Sportsmanship Coordinator. The selection criteria, as stated above, will identify the very best we have to offer in Section VI. The award winners are models of sportsmanship in action and this program is designed to recognize and honor them. Contact the Section VI Sportsmanship Coordinator Douglas Ames, Newfane Central Schools 778-6560 with questions or concerns.

Congratulations to the All-WNY "Good Sports" selections for fall 2008 listed below. These athletes will receive a certificate and an ALL-WNY Sportsmanship patch.

## ALL-WNY INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM RECOGNITION FOR OUTSTANDING SPORTSMANSHIP FALL 2009

(names listed as those submitted as of 1/8/10)

	Division	School	Individual
Field Hockey	ECIC	Holland	Kristie Schiefer
	NO	Kenmore West	Kaleigh Feichter
Football	AA-North	Niagara Falls	Jalen Gayle
	AA-South	W. Seneca West	Ryan DiFlavio
	A-North	Grand Island	Jeff Lariviere
	A-South	Lake Shore	Matt Kennedy
	B- North	Depew	David Sell
	B-South	Springville	Derek Blumenstein
	C-North	Cleveland Hill	Jacob Zielinski
	C-South	Cass. Valley	Andrew Pingitore
	D-East	Franklinville	Doug Kurowski
	D-Central	Pine Valley, Forestville	Jason Howard, Matt Thompson
	D-West	Clymer	Dan Wiggers
	Buffalo City	Burgard	Darren Sanders
Boy's Gymnastics	Federation	Williamsville North	Joseph Chearmonte

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## ALL-WNY INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM RECOGNITION cont...

<b>Girl's Gymnastics</b>	Division 1	Lancaster	Chelsea Recor
	Division 2	Sweet Home	Alex Watts
<b>Girl's Soccer</b>	CCAA I	Allegany-Limestone	Christine Wittmeyer
	CCAA II	Silver Creek	Alicia Ellis
	CCAA III	Pine Valley	Emily Clapp
	ECIC I	West Seneca West	Megan Ryan
	ECIC II	Hamburg	Mallory Hojnacki
	ECIC III	Springville	Sarah Hoch
	ECIC IV	Eden	Lynn Lee Stresing
	NFL	Kenmore West	Bridget Gormley
	NO	Roy-Hart	Chelsea VanBuren
<b>Boy's Soccer</b>	CCAA-1	Sam Garver	Falconer
	CCAA-2	Kyle Perry	Frewsburg
	CCAA-3	Shaughn Bryant	Hinsdale
	ECIC-1	Ben Sivitilli	Orchard Park
	ECIC-2	Shawn Needham	Hamburg
	ECIC-3	Tyler Friess	East Aurora
	NFL	Paul Morrison	Niagara Falls
	NO	Nick Halleran	Wilson
<b>Girls Swimming</b>	CCAA	Olean	Rachael Bantelman
	NFL	Kenmore West	Marissa Dressel
<b>Girl's Tennis</b>	CCAA 1	Jamestown	Margaret Mims
	CCAA 2	Westfield	Destinee Alexander
	ECIC 1	Lancaster	No individual selected
	ECIC 2	West Seneca East	No individual selected
	ECIC 3	Maryvale	No individual selected
	ECIC 4	Lackawanna	No individual selected
	NFL	Kelsay Sargent	Lew-port
<b>Girl's Volleyball</b>	Buffalo	City Honors	Natalie Southard
	CCAA	Catt / LV	Cassie Miller
	ECIC-1	West Seneca West	Sarah Cleversley
	NFL	Grand Island	Mary Scherrer
	NO	Akron	Sara Rosenberg

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# IT'S OFFICIAL...

*By Tom Cowan/Section VI Official's Coordinator*

I would like to thank the many wonderful leaders at Section VI for supporting my tenure as the Officials Coordinator. After a 35 year career at Alden Central, the work at the Section has been a very rewarding extension of my professional life. I have had numerous opportunities to interact with coaches, officials, athletic directors and school administrators in an effort to have a positive impact on local student athletes. Be assured, it has been a pleasure!

The process of developing a new sports officials contract between the Section and WNYSO is coming to a close. A tentative agreement has been reached that is fully supported by each team. The next step is to take the major concepts of the tentative agreement back to our respective organizations for their support. Both teams are committed to authoring a new contract that is much more aligned with the management and assigning principals of arbitersports.com and significantly more user friendly.

The highpoints of the tentative agreement will be presented to the Athletic Council on January 20<sup>th</sup>. I would encourage you to be in contact with your representatives if you have any questions concerning the status of this project.

Again, many thanks for your help and support over the past 12 years.



## **SECTION VI**

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