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State Champions Girls Soccer Class C - Holland



The Holland Lady Dutchmen went 19-1-1 for the season and finished with a 2-1 regulation win over Haldane from Section 1 in the state Final Four for Class C. It was the first ever state championship for Holland in girls soccer. The boys soccer team won it back in 1982, but it is the first team state championship for the school in 31 years! This year, the girl's team won their ECIC division 4...actually tying with Tonawanda for the crown. Tonawanda was the one loss for Holland, 1-0 early in the season. The Lady Dutchmen won the rubber match with the Warriors in a 4-2 shootout at the Tonawanda senior night game. It was by far the biggest

game of the year at that point for Holland and really helped to propel them into the C playoffs for Section 6. Holland gave up only 8 goals during the regular season as compared to scoring 102 goals vs. its opponents!

In the playoffs, Holland beat Randolph and Frewsburg pretty handily on their way to the sectional championship game, a rematch from last year with Alleghany Limestone. Four different players scored in a 4-2 win over the Gators. It was the 4th class C sectional title for Holland in the last 6 years. Next up was the Regional matchup with Section V... the roadblock to states that Hol-

land had not been able to overcome in all three of its previous attempts. In 2010, Holland lost in a shoot out to eventual state champ Marion and last year, our team lost in double OT to Keshequa. This year, Keshequa stood in the way again but the Lady Dutchmen were confident coming into the game after scouting them the game before. We knew they were not unstoppable but it would take a monumental effort to take down "Goliath," who was undefeated, the 2-time regional champ and returning 8 starting seniors from the year before! Holland won in double OT off of a corner kick from

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State Champions Girls Volleyball Class C - Eden

*Girls Soccer
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Chelsea Grupp to Olivia Schmidt, who one-timed it into the back of the net! Holland was up 1-0 early, then down 2-1 at halftime. Molly Zientek tied up the game with about 20 minutes remaining in the 2nd half. Keshequa had a penalty kick that they missed with 10 minutes left to go. The rest as they say, is history!

Holland moved on to the State Class C final 4 in Cortland, NY. First up was N. Adirondack from Section VII. Holland outplayed and outshot them about 16-7 but just could not put them away in regulation. Olivia Schmidt had the first goal early on off an assist from Molly Zientek. N. Adirondack scored from about 30 yards out on a great shot with about 15 minutes remaining in regulation. The two teams went to the first sudden death overtime and the Grupp-Schmidt connection worked again. Olivia Schmidt headed in the winner with about 30 seconds left in the 3rd OT to send us to the championship game on Sunday at SUNY Cortland. On Sunday, Holland took on Haldane and the game started out about the opposite of the N. Adirondack game. Haldane had Holland back on their heels early on and Holland ended up being outshot 17-4 during the course of the game. But Holland got on the board first with a corner kick goal again from Chelsea Grupp to Olivia Schmidt with about 5 minutes left to go in the 1st half. Holland was being outplayed but up 1-0 at halftime. We added a 5th midfielder in the 2nd half because Haldane was controlling the middle. Holland scored again with about 20 minutes remaining in the 2nd half when Olivia Schmidt made a nifty pass to the front of the net which Alicia Massara pounded over top of the keeper for Haldane into the top of the net! Haldane did score with about 15 minutes remaining in the game but the Lady Dutchmen held on for the win. Haldane was assessed 6 yellow cards in the 2nd half as the play got very chippy. The Holland girls kept their cool and hung on for the 1st state championship in school history for the girls soccer program!

- Coach Schmidt



Boys Cross Country Class B State Champion TJ Hornberger of Lake Shore

After winning his fourth consecutive Section 6 Championship, TJ Hornberger capped off his senior season with a state championship in Class B, finishing first in 15:16.3. He avenged a second-place finish at Queensbury earlier in the season, his only miss as the top finisher in all the races he entered. TJ's season saw many highlights as he set new course records at Long Point State Park and Alden, finished undefeated in ECIC dual meets over the last four years, and captured the McQuaid Invitational seeded AA race title. TJ looks to build upon this fall's success during the indoor and outdoor seasons and will continue his running career at Syracuse University.

- Mike Brinkerhoff, Coach

Girls Cross Country Class D State Champion Hope Pietrocarlo of Maple Grove

Hope has been a member of three State Championship teams and this year the 1st runner-up team. She has never finished out of the top 5 individuals at a State Championship and has been the Section 6 Champion the past 3 years. Hope was also the CCAA Runner of the Year the past 2 years, Class D All State 4 years, 1st team all Western NY the past 2 years and All Western NY Sophomore of the Year for 2013. Hope is an honor student and has interest in physical therapy & nutrition. Hope was in last year's school musical and will also be in this year's coming performance. Hope is also a GREAT Kid and teammate.

-Doc Rappole, Coach



*"An athlete cannot run with money
in his pockets. He must run with hope in
his heart and dreams in his head."*

- Emil Zatopek

Girls Swimming Class A State Champions - Clarence



The Clarence High School Girls Swim team captured their fourth consecutive team high point title at this year's New York State Championships in Ithaca. The Red Devils totaled 241 points in the meet, 10 more than runner-up Pittsford. The Clarence girls overcame the disappointment of a disqualification in the meet's first event, the 200 Medley Relay, after finishing first in state record time. After that event, Clarence rallied and finished in the Top 10 in every event but one for the remainder of the meet.

Dina Rommel highlighted the Clarence effort with two State Championships. Dina won the 50 freestyle in a Section 6 record time of 23.13 seconds, and later captured the 100 Butterfly in 55.75 seconds. Both of Dina's swims qualified for All American status. Dina was awarded the meet's outstanding swimmer based on her performances. It was the first time that the University of Virginia bound Rommel swam two individual events in the championship meet, having opted to swim on three relays in her previous visits to the state meet.

Rebecca Anthonie placed second in the 200 Freestyle and sixth in the 100 Freestyle to score big points for Clarence. Sydney

Modeas also broke a Section 6 record in the 500 Freestyle with a time of 4:51.67. Sydney finished third in the event and garnered All-American status.

Victoria Butler placed seventh in the 200 Individual Medley and Maddy Jacumski had a fifth place finish for the Red Devils in the 100 Backstroke.

The Clarence relays again performed well. The team of Anthonie, Butler and Modeas teamed up with Sunita Singh to place second in the 200 Freestyle Relay. The highlight of the meet came in the last event, the 400 Freestyle Relay. Seniors Rommel, Anthonie, Butler and Modeas went out in style with a dramatic win over Pittsford in the final yards of the race. Their time of 3:26.98 broke their own state record and easily qualified for All American status.

- Joe Zwierzchewski, Coach



Dina Rommel won two State Championships; the 50 freestyle and the 100 Butterfly.

2013 Recognition Dinner



Pictured above left to right: Paul Hutzler, Loren Ratajczak, John Faller, (seated): Robert Christmann, Betsy Ulmer

Recognition Dinner Honorees

Mark Kruzynski, Softball Chairman (Former)
Betsy Ulmer, Girls Golf Chairwoman (Former)
Mike Venditti, Girls Tennis Chairman (Former)
John Faller, Boys Lacrosse Chairman (Former)
Loren Ratajczak, Treasurer (Retired)
Paul Hutzler, Historian
Robert Christmann, NFL Superintendents' Rep. to the Athletic Council (Former)
Kevin MacDonald, NO Superintendents' Rep. to the Athletic Council (Former)



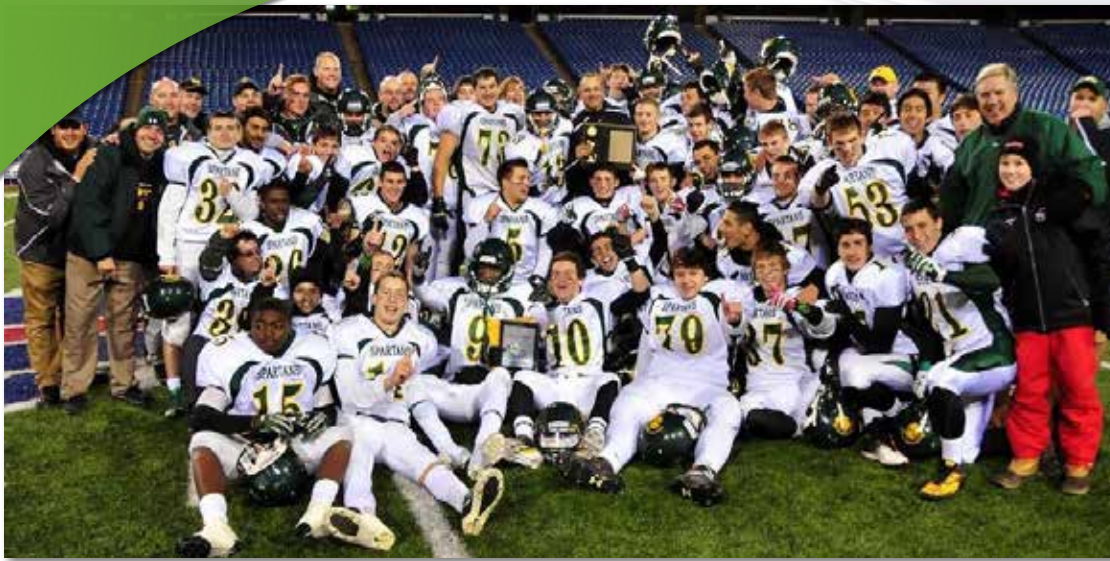
Pictured left to right: Doug Ames (Sportsmanship Co-Chairman), Mark Waple, Jeff Patronik, Carol Zirkle, Erik Keller, Mike Janisch, Mike Morlock, Pat Burns, Jim Graczyk (Sportsmanship Co-Chairman), Seated: Beverly Reczek, Kristina Tomei

Coaches Sportsmanship Award Recipients

Beverly Reczek, South Park - Girls VB, Swim & Track & Field
Carol Zirkle, Fredonia - Girls Basketball
Mike Janisch, Silver Creek - Baseball, B&G Cross Country
Deb Palmer, Panama - Girls Volleyball
Pat Burns, Sherman - Girls Volleyball
Mike Morlock, Frontier - Baseball
Kristina Tomei, Starpoint - Field Hockey
Erik Keller, Maryvale - B & G Tennis
Jeff Patronik, Lackawanna - G Soccer & Softball
Mark Waple, Lew-Port - Baseball
Bill Holahan, Royalton Hartland - Girls VB



Pictured left to right: Chris Payne (Athletic Director), Emily Harvey (Principal), Deb Palmer (Girls Volleyball Coach), Timm Slade (Section VI Executive Director), Bert Lictus (Superintendent)



Football Class A Regional Champions Williamsville North

The Williamsville North football team enjoyed a historic season which will be talked about for years. The Spartans qualified as the seventh seed in the Section 6 playoffs and rolled off five straight victories to make it to the state championship game in Syracuse, NY at the Carrier Dome. The run started with a 21-0 victory over South Park, a thrilling 14-7 double overtime victory over Grand Island, and then a shocking 21-12 victory over Sweet Home. The win ended Sweet Home's 69 game winning streak against Section 6 competition.

The excitement continued in the far west regionals as the Section 6 champions came from behind in the final minutes to beat Section 5 champion Eastridge 23-20 and then went on to dominate Union Endicott of Section 4 27-14 to reach the New York State

Championship game. The Spartans run would end against number one ranked Queensbury of Section 2, 36-7. Congratulations to coach Mike Mamolitti and all the Spartan players on their outstanding accomplishments.

-Steve Ferenczy, *Athletic Director*



Football Class C Regional Champions Cleveland Hill

The Cleveland Hill Golden Eagles are the repeat Section 6 Champions for Class C football by virtue of their 22-13 victory over Fredonia. The Section championship game was a rematch of the 2012 contest between the two schools, which the Eagles won 22-20.

The Eagles were lead by game Offensive MVP Brandon Thomas who ran for 114 yards and three touchdowns. Wayne Jones led an outstanding defensive outing with 10 tackles as the Eagles took advantage of 4 Fredonia turnovers.

They advanced to the Regional Championship at Sahlen Park in Rochester where they took on Section V Champion Wayland-Cohocton 46-20. Thomas again lead the Eagle attack with 214 yards rushing and 2 touchdowns. Quarterback Aaron Jackson was 7-11 throwing for two touchdowns as the Eagles won the first Regional Championship in school history.

The Eagles lost in the semi-finals to eventual State Champion Chenango Forks 22-0 to finish 11-1.

-Glen Graham, *Coach*



Football Class B Regional Champions Depew

Despite going into the playoffs with a number of injuries, the Depew Wildcats football team was able to battle through the playoffs all the way to the NYSPHSAA Class B Semi-Finals. Their playoff run included sectional quarter and semi-final wins over Bennett 41-26 and Eden 39-17. Those wins led to a showdown with defending Class B Champions, Alden. The Wildcats hung on at the "Ralph" for a thrilling 28-26 victory. The Wildcats dominated Section 5 Geneva in the state quarter-finals with a 29-9 win, but lost the following week to eventual State Champion, Maine-Endwell. The Wildcats became the first team in Depew's history to compete in a state semi-final.

Brian Wilson, *Coach*

Girls Soccer Class B Regional Co-Champions - Akron



The Akron Girls Soccer Team was named Far-West Regional Co-Champs with Hornell from Section V following the November 8th, 2013 game hosted by Section VI at Amherst High School. The teams were tied following regulation and then battled it out through two scoreless overtime periods and two scoreless sudden victory periods. The representative team from the region was then determined by penalty kicks with Hornell earning a trip to the semi-finals of the State Championship in Cortland.

The scholar-athlete team, coached by Lori Welch, had two players selected to the Class B All-State teams as announced by the NYS Sportswriters Association. Junior Cailin Regan was selected to 1st Team at midfield and junior Paige Buscaglia was chosen to the 4th Team for attack. Regan and Buscaglia were also chosen to 1st and 2nd team All-WNY, respectively.

With few players graduating, the Tigers hope the "third time is a charm" in their quest to win the regional championship and make a successful appearance at the State Championship in 2014.

- Sharon Catalano, Asst. Public Relations Director

Girls Field Hockey Class C Far West Regional Champions - Barker

With an 11-1-0 league record, the 2013 Barker Varsity Field Hockey team claimed the Niagara-Orleans League Championship for the 15th time. In the Section VI Class C playoffs, the team defeated Roy-Hart, Holland, and then Eden in the finals to capture their 6th straight Sectional Championship and 16th overall. For the second consecutive year and third time in four years, Barker defeated East Rochester at the Far West Regionals to earn a trip to the state semi finals. Barker's season ended with a 1-0 loss to Cazenovia in double overtime. The Lady Raiders were a scholar athlete team and finished the season with an overall record of 17-2-0.

-Jeffrey Costello, Coach



Front (L-R): Brooke Bodine, Heather Mason, Olivia Denny.
Middle: Caitlyn Mason, Erika Moeller, Melissa Grosshans, Emma Duffy, Lydia Dewart, Paige Fudella, Rebecca Stoloski, Kelsie Engert. Back: Assistant Coach Bill Moeller, Gabriella Clare, Renee Levy, Madison Greenwald, Alexandria VeRost, Morgan Brown, Kelsey Blackley, Erin Greenwald, Monica LaRock (manager), Courtney Bodine, Head Coach Jeff Costello, Assistant Coach Karin Menz.



Girls Volleyball Class D Regional Champions - Randolph

Boys Cross Country

Sectional Champions



Class A Clarence

The Clarence Boy's Cross Country Team completed the 2013 season with an ECIC Division 1 undefeated league championship season and the Section Six Class A Championship. The team was led by Senior Dan Huben. At the Section Six Championships, Dan was crowned the Class A Individual Champion. Rounding out the championship team were Zach Kuloszewski, Anthony Casullo, Nicholas Knorz, Greg Blackburn, Erik Johnson, Alex Trjankowski.

- Greg Kaszubski, Athletic Director

*Pictured above: Front row: Zachary Kuloszewski, Anthony Casullo, Gregory Blackburn
Back row: Alex Trjankowski, Erik Johnson, Daniel Huben, and Nicholas Knorz*



Class B Sweet Home

The boys team won their fourth section 6 team title in school history winning by 6th runner tiebreaker over East Aurora. The team finished 7th at the NYSPHSAA meet in Queensbury. The team finished with 7 All ECIC Division 2 All Stars: 1st team-Mitchell Daddario (11), Matt Ciminella (12), Chris Nowak (9), and Kevin Terragnoli (11), 2nd Team-Mitchell Rabold (12), Mitchell Ford (12), and Peter Miller (10). Throughout the season the team won the Town of Amherst Champs and finished 5-0 in the ECIC Division 2.

- Brian Lombardo, Coach



Picture from left to right: Dustin Walters, Sergio Cruz, Casey Webb, Bryce Moeller, Coach DerSarkissian, Christopher Sweeney, Hayden Hathaway, Douglas Bachman.

Class D Barker

This year, the Barker boys cross country team had another outstanding year. They won the Red Dragon, Alden, and Queensbury invitationals. They placed 3rd in a very competitive seeded race at the McQuaid invitational. For the 5th time in 6 years, they were the Niagara-Orleans champions with 5 first team, 3 second team, and 2 honorable mention all-league members. This year marked the 7th time in a row that the Barker boys cross country team was Section 6 class D champions. At the state level, Barker placed a very impressive 3rd for class D amongst some of the fiercest competition class D has seen in quite some time. Since 2007, the Barker boys cross country team has placed no lower than 4th place at the state level while winning it twice.

- Paul Der Sarkissian, Coach



Class C Alden

The 2013 Alden Varsity Boys XC team, led by Coach Ed Carll, dominated the Class "C" Sectional Title for the third straight year. They went into the sectional meet at Long Point State Park undefeated in their small school division also grabbing the ECIC title. Only graduating two seniors over the past couple of years, Edwin Bliemeister 11' and Sean Turner 12', the team was able to maintain the bulk of their group with young talented athletes who remained dedicated components with their hard work and training all season into the late championship races. This year junior and second season runner, Dylan Servos, moved up into the number one spot leading the pack to many team honors and individual race titles. He accelerated on the courses this year and ran a sub 16 minute 5k at the dual meet out in Eden. Senior and Captain Matt Minotti was a strong leader who broke some of his own personal bests on many of the challenging courses throughout his

season and Senior Garrett Rutan was right behind him making a strong presence this year. Senior's Justin Morgan and Gene Bliemeister both worked hard to earn their spots on this varsity squad. Gene deserved the most improved award due to improving his overall time by over two minutes per race. Adding to their successes was Junior Nick Kron and rookie sophomore Ray Boucher who moved into the top 5 gradually over the course of the entire season. This group of seven young talented men represented the section at the state championship in Queensbury NY on November 9th and came home just shy of a medal finishing fourth in the state for Class "C". Even with graduating four seniors, they are optimistic they will come back just as solid next season.

- Ed Carll, Coach

Girls Cross Country

Sectional Champions

Class A Clarence

The Clarence Girls Cross Country Team completed the 2013 season with a ECIC Division 1 undefeated league championship season and the Section Six Class A Championship. This was the fifth consecutive year Clarence won the section title. The team was led by Senior Marissa Saenger, who along with Emily Garret, ran on all five winning teams. At the Section Six Championships, Marissa was crowned the Class A Individual Champion and Emily won the Class A Sportsmanship award. Rounding out the Championship team were Emily Garrett, Katrina Patterson, Elisabeth Rott, Hannah Reinhardt, Dana Warner, and Alicia Symons.

- Greg Kaszubski, Athletic Director & John Hunt, Coach

Pictured right:
 Front row: Elisabeth Rott, Dana Warner, Katrina Patterson
 Back row: Alicia Symons, Marissa Saenger, Emily Garrett
 and Hannah Reinhardt.



Class C Akron

Akron's Girls Cross Country team enjoyed a season of success, attaining their goals for the year. The team was Niagara-Orleans Champion for the second year in a row and the Section VI Class C Champion. They traveled to Queensbury, New York, representing Section VI Class C at the State Championship for the first time since 1995, earning a fourth place finish. Akron Teammates Margo Henley and Eliza Papke placed 9th and 20th respectively, to earn individual medals.

Henley was named All-WNY "8th Grade Runner of the Year" and both she and Papke were named Honorable Mention for the All-WNY Team.

Coached by Nancy Bennett, the team earned Scholar-Athlete Team honors, while senior captain Elizabeth Wager was named All-WNY Individual Scholar Athlete and Gina Henley was selected Honorable Mention.

-Sharon Catalano, Asst. Public Relations Director

Class D Maple Grove

Maple Grove Section 6 Champions 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013.
 NYSPHSAA Class D 1st Runner-up 2009 and 2013,
 State Champions 2010, 2011, 2012.

Pictured right: "Doc" Rappole, Elysa Meekins, Ally Saar, Hope Pietrocarlo, Krisitin Kellemen, Bryn Mozzi, Ellen Lockwood, Grace Auer.



Boys Soccer

Sectional Champions



Class AA Clarence

The Clarence boys soccer team finished the 2013 season with an overall record of 16-2-1. The Red Devils won the ECIC Division 1 Championship along with the Class AA Section Six Championship. The team only allowed 10 goals in 19 games. Patrick Schulz led the team with 20 goals. Patrick along with Sam Wasson were named 1st Team ALL-WNY and Michael Biedny was named to the 2nd Team. Michael recorded 11 shut outs in the season. Sam Wasson was also selected to 3rd Team New York State.

Mike Silverstein, Coach



Class A East Aurora

The East Aurora Boys Soccer team wrapped up a fantastic season going 18-2-1 claiming their 3rd straight overall Sectional title this past season (2011- A class, 2012 B class, 2013 A class). On their way to the title they also captured their 3rd straight ECIC 3 title going 35-0-1 in that span. The Blue Devils swept through the A2 bracket shutting out all 3 opponents- 4-0 over Pioneer, 5-0 over Maryvale, and 4-0 over previously unbeaten Riverside for the A2 crown and setting up a match-up with top seed and A1 Champ Williamsville East. East Aurora's Kyle Kleckner scored his 2nd goal of the game heading home a cross from Jimmy Czora with 3 minutes left, breaking a 1-1 tie to secure the Blue Devils 3rd straight overall sectional title and a trip to the Far West Regionals against Pitt-Mendon. An early 1st half goal by Mendon would hold up for 70 minutes ending the Blue Devils season and hopes for a trip to the State Final 4. East Aurora's Sean Kishel, Kyle Kleckner, Mike Franz, Harrison Fay, and Noah Thompson were named 1st team ECIC 3 Players. Franz and Fay made 2nd and 3rd team All-WNY respectively with Kleckner making All-WNY 1st Team, along with NSCAA 1st Team All-State and All North East Regional Team.

In addition, the East Aurora boys soccer team was voted sportsmanship team in ECIC 3, received no cards at all, and Mike Franz was chosen as the sportsmanship player .

-Kevin Beale, Coach



Class B Akron

The Akron Boys Soccer Team's 2013 season will be considered one of the team's best as the Tigers won the Niagara-Orleans Championship, Class B2 Championship and the Overall Class B Crossover Sectional Championship before being beaten by Livonia at the Far-West Regional game hosted by Section V on November 9th, 2013 at East Ridge High School in Rochester.

Coached by Chuck Pfohl, the team had two athletes selected to 1st Team All-WNY: goaltender Austin Medole and forward Christopher Mayrose. Medole also earns kudos as sixth in the Section VI record books for most number of career shutouts with 30.

Although the team is graduating 12 seniors and will be looking at 2014 as a rebuilding season, the expectation of success will still be present as the tradition of excellence never graduates from Akron. Akron has won 6 of the last 7 Niagara-Orleans League titles and 3 of the last 4 Section VI titles as well as representing Section VI Class B in the State Championships in 2007, 2010 and 2011.

- Sharon Catalano, Asst. Public Relations Director

Boys Soccer

Sectional Champions

Class D Ellicottville

It won't be the cold and the wind that the boys soccer team will remember from the November 1st game at Hamburg against North Collins. It won't be the scoreless 75 minutes of back and forth play either. It will be the sight of the soccer ball hitting the back of the net fired by senior Connor Greene with 4:25 left in regulation on the score board with a score of 0-0. It was at that moment, the Ellicottville Eagles finally felt like the elusive "Blue Patch" Section VI Class D Championship title could belong to them, and only them.

When a North Collins player went down with an injury in the goal area, it gave the Ellicottville Eagles time to take it in and regain composure, but it also gave the North Collins Eagles time to settle down, and plan to retaliate with a goal. With only 41 seconds left in the game, four North Collins players were on a breakaway with only Jeremy Bordini between them and a game tying goal. A goal that would have sent the two teams into an overtime yet again, for the 4th time in 5 years for the same title game. An amazing save on the ground at the bottom left of the goal, was only visible after the players cleared away from the scene. This was it, the Ellicottville Eagles were going to walk away as the sole title winners, unlike years 2010 and 2011 when they shared the title with North Collins, but were unable to advance after shootouts determined who would advance.

For anyone who has followed this team this year, it has been an emotional yet exciting year. With a new league to play in that included larger schools Olean, Allegany-Limestone, and Randolph, this year the boys played up to that level, and they did it well. The record alone doesn't show the team play and skill these boys have demonstrated. After a very frustrating 4-0 loss to Olean in September, October brought an overtime game that was hard fought, with Ellicottville the winner up until the very end. This group played as a team, and it has been their collective efforts and energy that has brought them success.



On November 8th, the Eagles faced the Section V winner Jasper-Troupsburg and were defeated 3-0. As always, the Eagles fought diligently to the very end. The game was a learning experience for the Eagles as we had never reached that level of play before.

The Eagles lose 8 players to graduation - Connor Greene, Jeremy Bordini, John Alzate, Liam O'Rourke, Chris Wojtowicz, Phil Kurtis, Nick Butler, and David Toner. These leaders will be missed and difficult to replace.

The juniors on this team were Pat McMahon-Eagan and Alex Paddock. Sophomores were Cole Lapi, Quinn O'Rourke, Matt Didonato, Nick Didonato, Will Timkey, Gavin Goodin, Avery Seiflein, Eli Dechane, Jay Borowiak, and Jack Haley.

Matt Finn, Coach

Boys Volleyball Division II

Sectional Champions - Hamburg



The Hamburg Boys Volleyball Team won its fourth Section VI Title in 2013, following Sectional Championships in 2004, 2005, and 2009. It was the eighth time since 2003 that the Bulldogs have reached the championship game, winning four of the eight contests.

Hamburg had a tremendous season making the finals of the opening sixteen team tournament at Clarence. They also went on to win the Sweet Home Invitational, the Orchard Park Invitational, and the Hamburg Bulldog Classic. They finally won the Section VI crown against a very tough Williamsville South squad in the finals of the Section VI tournament.

Hamburg's overall record was 26-3 for 2013. Their only losses were suffered in the finals of the Clarence sixteen team tournament against Clarence at the first tournament of the year, a loss against West Seneca West at the mid-way point of the season, and at the hands of Victor High School at Far West Regionals in the State tournament.

The two losses to Clarence and West Seneca West were beneficial to Hamburg in that they allowed Hamburg to make roster adjustments and strategize how to best utilize all twelve players on Hamburg's roster to improve for the rest of the season. This team was a special make-up

of players that will go down in Hamburg's history as the most cohesive group of players assembled for Hamburg. They were not as dominant as the teams of 2004, 2005, and 2009, but they found a way to support each other to over achieve in a very difficult ECIC Division I race to be Co-Champions with West Seneca West with an 11-1 division I record. Every player had a role, be it big or small, and every player had a part in this chapter of Hamburg's volleyball history.

-Brian Carroll, Coach

Girls Soccer

Sectional Champions

Class AA Clarence

The Clarence Girls Varsity Soccer team completed the 2013 season as the ECIC 1 Champions as well as the Section 6 Class AA Champions. The team's overall league record was 11-1 giving them the #1 seed for the Section 6 tournament. The team went on to defeat Niagara Falls 8-0, Orchard Park 1-0, and Williamsville North 1-0 to claim their first Section 6 title since 2009. In the State Quarter Final, Far West Regional, the girls were leading the 1-0 for 66 minutes before Webster Schroeder tied the game to send it into overtime. Schroeder then scored the winner in the second overtime period to end a great season for the team. The team will be graduating Caitlyn Roberts, Lauren Moore, Lexi Miller, Maria Lampka, and Dana Casullo.

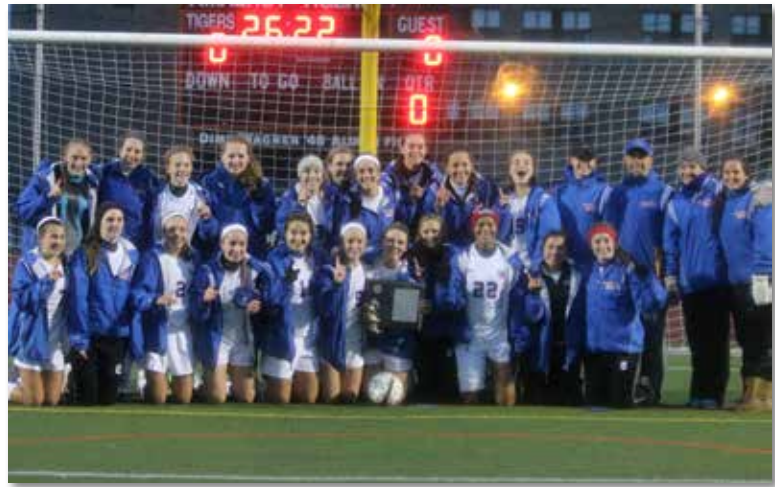
- Tom Furfinger, Coach



Class A Williamsville South

The theme for the 2013 soccer season was "finding a way to win". The Williamsville South Girls Varsity Soccer Team enjoyed one of its finest seasons, winning its third straight Section VI Class A Championship along with a Division II ECIC title. Strong leadership along with team chemistry was responsible for the team's accomplishments on the field. The team played and trained with a competitive spirit throughout the season, and pushed themselves to come as close as possible to reaching their full potential. It was a memorable season, and I was proud to be a part of it.

- S. Kevin McNamara, Coach



Boys Gymnastics

Sectional Championship Results

Final League Standings:

	Record	High Score
Williamsville East	10-2	124.9
Williamsville South	10-2	123.7
Williamsville North	3-9	100.0
Hamburg	1-11	79.7

Floor Exercise

Noah Roberson	WS	9.65
Tim Finley	WE	7.8
Greg O'Brien	H	7.8
Danny Hedges	WS	7.0

Pommel Horse

Stephen Frost	WE	8.9
Danny Hedges	WS	6.6
David Covelli	WE	5.7
Michael Covelli	WE	5.0

Still Rings

Noah Roberson	WS	9.7*
Giovanni Genovese	WS	4.75
David Covelli	WE	4.7
Austin Santora	WN	3.35

Vault

Noah Roberson	WS	9.65**
Tim Finley	WE	8.3
Spencer Nyhart	H	8.15
Nick Darling	WS	8.05

All-Around

Noah Roberson	WS	57.85**
Stephen Frost	WE	52.7
Danny Hedges	WS	35.4
David Covelli	WE	34.2

Parallel Bars

Stephen Frost	WE	8.5
David Covelli	WE	5.85
Danny Hedges	WS	5.25
Nick Darling	WS	5.2

Horizontal Bar

Noah Roberson	WS	9.75**
Stephen Frost	WE	7.9
Tim Finley	WE	4.0
Zach Zhang	WN	3.0
Giovanni Genovese	WS	2.5
Austin Santora	WN	2.5

Mark Monaco Memorial Senior Gymnast of the Year Award:

Noah Roberson- Williamsville South

Joe Chearmonte Memorial Scholar Athlete Achievement Award:

Joseph Cassata- Williamsville North

Austin Santora- Williamsville North

* Ties Section 6 Record

** New Section 6 Record

Girls Field Hockey

Sectional Champions

Class A Champions - Clarence

Clarence's Girls Varsity Field Hockey team won both the Section VI title and the league title. Clarence has not won the section title in over 27 years, nor has a Clarence girls field hockey team won a sectional title and league title in the same season. During the play-off run, Clarence defeated Kenmore 3-1 (Goals were scored by Gigi Fasanello, Kasey Thur, and Tess Luzi) to make it to the finals. At the finals, the team defeated Orchard Park 1-0 (Goal was scored by Gigi Fasanello). With the win over Orchard Park, the girls advanced to the Far West Regionals to face Fairport. Unfortunately, they did not come out on the winning side; losing in overtime 3-2 (Goals were scored by Gigi Fasanello).

All WNY honors went to Gigi Fasanello, first team. Honorable Mention went to Kasey Thur, Ashley Ruszala, and Chelsea Blackman. Each girl also was awarded a spot on the First ECIC team. Erin Todaro and Tess Luzi were awarded a spot on the ECIC Second Team.

- Beth Brawn, Coach



Class B Champions - Amherst

The Amherst Field Hockey Team won the Section VI Class B Championship game defeating Iroquois in double overtime. The team enjoyed a strong season finishing 19-1, losing to Brighton High School in the Far West Regional Championships. The tigers finished the season ranked #1 in WNY, and ECIC Division III Champions. The lady tigers were led by an outstanding senior class. Taylor Balsler, Yanna Boggio, and Jane Edgington were the captains. Katie Bernard, Chloe Carver, Mariah Clark, Rosie Drozda, Gianna Duguay, Halle Hudson, Megan Mallon, and Missy Mallon have also led by example. Juniors, Natalie Blatz, Briar Molak, Leanne Orlowski, and Lacey Woite have all stepped up to meet the challenges of new positions and the intensity of the varsity. Sophomore, Mckenna Rushford has been outstanding and is pacing our team in scoring. Elise Faut has improved immensely in such a short time. Freshman, Jenna Sobol has been outstanding starting at the midfield.

The team was very balanced with everyone contributing to the team's success. Megan Mallon and Mckenna Rushford led the team in scoring. Jane Edgington and Lacey Woite each have 14 goals. Taylor Balsler has been outstanding with eight goals and twenty eight assists. Missy Mallon has been tremendous with her stick skills and passing. She has seven goals and sixteen assists. Yanna Boggio has earned 11 shutouts and has put forth consistently strong efforts in each and every game. The defensive unit of Natalie Blatz, Katie Bernard, and Mariah Clark has worked very well together to limit outstanding opponents each game.

This was one of the most cohesive, skilled, and athletic teams Amherst has ever had. The seniors have set an example to be emulated for years to come. According to Head Coach Laurie LeGoff it has been one of the most enjoyable seasons she has ever had coaching because of their maturity, work ethic, and genuine care and concern for one another.

- Kiel Illg, Assistant to the Director of Health, Physical Education, and Athletics



Girls Gymnastics

Sectional Championship Results

1st	Will. South	109.95
2nd	Lancaster	109.25
3rd	Hamburg	101.775
4th	Frontier	101.60

All-Around:

1st	Courtney Bondanza	Lancaster	37.775
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2nd	Zoe Kyriakopoulos	Will. South	37.40
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3rd	Ana Reyes	Will. East	36.70
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Vault:

1st	Rachel Filipski	Lancaster	9.575
2nd	Courtney Bondanza	Lancaster	9.45
3rd	Mackenzie Donner	Lancaster	9.375

Bars:

1st	Courtney Bondanza	Lancaster	9.40
2nd	Ana Reyes	Will. East	9.325
3rd	Zoe Kyriakopoulos	Will. South	9.25

Beam:

1st	Zoe Kyriakopoulos	Will. South	9.45
2nd	Miranda Roberson	Will. South	9.425
3rd	Michaela Kacmarski	Frontier	9.35
3rd	Lily Szafranski	Will. South	9.35

Floor:

1st	Courtney Bondanza	Lancaster	9.60
2nd	Zoe Kyriakopoulos	Will. South	9.425
3rd	Rachel Filipski	Lancaster	9.40

Girls Volleyball

Sectional Champions

Class AA - Frontier

The Frontier Girls' Varsity Volleyball team captured the Section VI AA title on Tuesday, November 5th. The team defeated Lancaster in a well played match by both teams. The match went 4 sets. The team faced Jamestown in the quarter finals and Lockport in the semi-finals. Frontier's roster is made-up of 7 seniors and 7 juniors. Sydney Rojek who has committed to Marist and Madison Karwas who has committed to St. John Fisher were captains of this year's team. The team's overall record was 15-3.

- Debby Schrufer, Coach

Pictured left: Front Row (L-R) Mckyla Brooks, Kaitlyn Long, Sydney Rojek, Caisey Lipka, Kaitlyn Lipka, Renee Bartosz; Back Row (L-R) Taylor Kaznowski, Angela Michels, Alyssa Buck, Olivia Nappo, Abby Booth. Madison Karwas, Rachel Stephenson, Jackie Dufresne



Class A - Sweet Home

Our league play was very successful and we ended up being the 4th seed in playoffs. We took on Hutch Tech in the quarter finals, defeating them in 3 games with scores of 25-6, 25-12, 25-8. We then drew Williamsville North in the semi-finals and defeated them in 3 games as well with scores of 25-18, 31-29, 25-20. This put us up against league rival Williamsville East in the sectional finals, who defeated us twice during the regular season. We went in very prepared and determined, and defeated them in 3 games with scores 25-18, 25-20, and 31-29 to win the section. This was our first sectional championship since 2006. Our leading offense players were Jenna Reeser (Senior, OH), Emma Hubert (Junior, MB), and Rachel Reusch (Sophomore, MB) who each earned double digit kills in the sectional final match. Our leading defensive players included Victoria Rigler (Junior, libero) and Jenna Reeser. Kaylee Barrett (Senior, setter) and Claire Hiwiler (Sophomore, setter/DS) collectively ran an effective offense that allowed us to set our big hitters that left our opponents without an answer. We then drew a very talented Pittsford-Sutherland team from Section V in the Far West Regionals and fell in a hard fought 3 game match with scores 25-14, 25-18, 25-12 to end our successful season. This was one of the most talented teams I have had the opportunity to coach since taking over the program in 2006. The girls worked extremely hard as a team all season and never gave up no matter the adversity. It was an honor to be a part of such a great season along with my assistant coaches, Britni Trapasso and Krista Prentice.

-Mrs. Breean T. Martin, Coach



Class B - Starpoint

The Starpoint Girls Volleyball team was named Section VI Class B Champions after defeating Albion in the finals. The Cinderella story had a fantastic ending for this Spartan team. After finishing the season with a 5-7 overall league record and going into sectionals as the 8th seed, they defeated East Aurora (9th seed) in pre-quarter finals, Springville in quarterfinals(1st seed), Depew (4th seed) in semi-finals, and Albion (2nd seed) in the final match. The win over Albion sent them to the Far West Regional match against Westhill (Section III) where the Spartans fell short in the extremely close four game match. This was Starpoint's first championship under head coach Kristie Slack. This is Starpoint's 6th sectional title. Leading the team throughout the season was Jenna Faulkner, an All WNY second team and All ECIC second team selection this year. Hattie Lasal and Allison Koithan were both named to the ECIC Div II 1st team, while Katie Jastrzab earned 2nd team honors. Brianna Foss was also voted the Sportsmanship Player for ECIC Div II.

-Kristie Slack, Coach



Girls Tennis

Sectional Champions

Singles Champion Brianna Gibbs Williamsville East

Brianna Gibbs finished her freshman year season with a 10-0 record. She won both the ECIC and Sectional crown to move on to the state tournament where she made it to the second round. Brianna won the first match against Julia Wagner 6-1, 6-0 with no problem and then faced a top seed, Olga Ostrovetsky, who she ended up losing to; 6-1, 6-1.

Justine Rusk, Coach



2013 State Qualifiers

Front (left to right) Nicole Kozinski (Clarence) Brianna Gibbs (Williamsville East) Georgianna Gens (Fredonia)

Back (left to right) Erin Lipppa/Jacqueline Oestreicher (Williamsville North) Gretchen Ringler/Jessica Robins (North Tonawanda) Rachel Johnson/Kristen Zablonski (Orchard Park)

Doubles Champions Kristen Zablonski & Rachel Johnson Orchard Park

The 2013 Section 6 Doubles Champions consisted of Kristen Zablonski and Rachel Johnson of Orchard Park. Kristen Zablonski, a freshman, is new to the team this year. However, she actively competes in tennis during the summer seasons. She captured the 3rd singles position on the team during the regular season and compiled a 10-1 record. Rachel Johnson, a junior, played for the team as a seventh grader and just returned to the team this year. She played as part of the team's first doubles and compiled a 12-1 record. Before capturing the Section 6 title, they beat their own team members (Shayleen Brennan and Grace Ruh) for the 1st place spot in the ECIC doubles championships. At the state championships, they unfortunately were defeated by the 2nd doubles team from Victor, NY in the main draw and then lost to the (ultimate) consolation round winners from Section 2. Both girls are skilled in other sports that lends superbly to their tennis talent. Kristen is also a skilled soccer, basketball, and lacrosse player while Rachel focuses on softball and basketball off-season. We are proud to have had them represent Section 6 as Section 6 champions and entrants in the 2013 NYSPHSAA State Girls Championships.

Sandy Trampert, Coach



Football

Sectional Champions



Class AA - Jamestown

The Jamestown Red Raiders won the Class AA Section VI Championship on November 9th with a 42-7 win over Frontier. The win gives Jamestown their first Section VI Championship since 2000 and put the Red Raiders at 10-0 on the season. Highlights of the game included QB Jake Sisson passing for 404 yards and 2 touchdowns, and running for two touchdowns. The 404 yards passing is a Section VI Championship Record. Additionally, Zack Panebianco broke another Section VI record for passing yards in a game, catching 5 passes for 181 yards and 2 touchdowns. The defensive effort from the Red Raiders was also superb, holding Frontier's option attack to seven points. The defensive effort was led by Kevin Mosely, who had 8 tackles and 2 sacks, and Damien Jackson who had 6 tackles and one sack.

-Tom Langworthy, Coach

Sportsmanship Promotion Program

The New York Sportsmanship Promotion Program encourages each member school to assess its district's approach in developing sportsmanship, and thus recognizes those schools that have established exemplary sportsmanship programs. Hamburg and Maryvale High Schools were chosen to receive the 2012-2013 New York Sportsmanship Promotion Program award in recognition of their outstanding efforts in promoting good sportsmanship. Representatives from these schools were honored at the September 18th, 2013 Section VI Athletic Council meeting.

Hamburg



Pictured left to right: Brent Jordan (Interim High School Principal), Jill Ford, Griffin Ryan, Pat Cauley (Athletic Director), Dr. Richard Jetter (Interim Superintendent), Dr. Michael Wendt (Superintendents' Representative, Section VI Executive Committee)

Maryvale



Pictured left to right: Derek Kaczorowski, Jocelyn Strohm, Steve Griffin (Maryvale Athletic Director), Dr. Michael Wendt (Superintendents' Representative, Section VI Executive Committee)

Girls Swimming

Sectional Champions



Class C - Southwestern

These Lady Trojans represented their school and their team at the Section VI Swim Championship meet at ECC on the 1st and 2nd of November 2013. Throughout their undefeated championship season these athletes and their teammates put forth great efforts that truly paid off for the third year running.

School records that were broken at that meet include the 200 Medley Relay from the team of Syd Thomas, Jilli Lawton, Lizzie Brunecz, and Kelsey Powers (1.55.59); the 200 Free by Syd Thomas (1.58.52); the 200 Free Relay team of Xiane Smith, Kelsey Powers, Sydney Burk and Katie Lawton (1.40.72); the 100 Back by Syd Thomas (59.93); and the 400 Free Relay team of Xiane Smith, Sydney Thomas, Sydney Burk, and Katie Lawton (3.45.35). Both free relays represented the section and SWCS at the state meet in Ithaca as well as Sydney Thomas individually in the 100 Back. The records were again broken at that meet.

While breaking records is an exciting occurrence, it is not what wins championship meets. That feat is accomplished by a full roster of swimmers in every event, which is where Southwestern dominates. With a higher percentage of team members entered in the championship meet than any other in the section, the Trojans were able to dominate with depth. Even those who may not have been top ranked in the section still scored valuable points in relation to their class competitors. Personal best times from many swimmers amounted to Southwestern being able to bring home a championship and league title.

Special mention should be given to our sole senior captain in the meet, Megan Gutzmer, as well as our youngest competitors, Jillian Lawton and Megan Seeley, both of whom had magnificent swims culminating in personal best times and finals qualifications. In a rare occurrence there was a necessary swim off due to a tie for the last finals slot in the 500 free. Megan Seeley swam the one-on-one race for a second time (after also swimming a best time in the 100 Breast) and in doing so, gained much respect and a new best time.

This team is comprised of many young girls with loads of talent and the drive to succeed. As their coach I look forward to continuing their winning tradition at Southwestern for years to come.

-Glen Shoup, Coach

NYSPHSAA Schools Of Distinction

The School of Distinction award is presented to those schools, where all varsity sports teams achieve a GPA of 90% or above. At the September 18th, 2013 Section VI Athletic Council meeting, Newfane and Niagara Wheatfield High Schools were honored as the 2012-2013 schools of distinction.

Newfane



Pictured L to R: Thomas Stack (Principal), Kate Bochenwetch, Stone Geise, Kelly Bochenwetch, Dr. Michael Wendt (Superintendents' Representative, Section VI Executive Committee), Doug Ames (Athletic Director)

Niagara Wheatfield



Pictured L to R: Tim Carter (Principal), Bridgette Erhman, Jake Schoelles, Mark DiFilippo (Athletic Director), Dr. Lynn Fusco (Superintendent), Dr. Michael Wendt (Superintendents' Representative, Section VI Executive Committee)

Section VI All-WNY Scholar Athletes Fall 2013

Section VI has selected the winners of the All-WNY Scholar Athlete Award for Fall 2013 sports. Of the 721 nominations, there were 137 winners and 585 individuals received an honorable mention.

Akron

G Soccer	Jennifer Komosinski
Football	Austen Lauricella
Football	Joseph Sarow
G XC	Elizabeth Wager

Albion

Football	Jonathan Trembley
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Amherst

G Soccer	Elizabeth Easter
Field Hockey	Jane Edgington
B Soccer	Jack Quinlivan
G Swim	Emily Smith
G XC	Amanda Sosnowski

Barker

B XC	Nolan Bouchane
Field Hockey	Olivia Denny
B XC	Bryce Moeller

Cassadaga Valley

G Volleyball	Christine Seibert
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Chautauqua Lake

G Swim	Heather Sullivan
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Clarence

B Soccer	Thomas Anderson
B XC	Derek Boyer
G Volleyball	Katrina Buczkowski
G XC	Emily Garrett
G Tennis	Rachel Lamparelli
G Soccer	Alexis Miller
B Volleyball	Skyler Reinhardt
G XC	Marissa Saenger
Field Hockey	Erin Todaro
B XC	Alex Tryjankowski
Football	Joseph Wesolowski

East Aurora

Field Hockey	Hannah Burzynski
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Eden

B Soccer	Henry Ohmit
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Forestville

G Volleyball	Elizabeth Gilman
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Frewsburg

G Swim	Morgan Scarpino
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Frontier

Football	Adrian Cannon
B Soccer	Matthew Fabian
Football	Alexander Licata
G Volleyball	Caisey Lipka
B Volleyball	Peter Lotocki

Grand Island

G XC	Emma MacIntyre
G Swim	Jenna Paternostro

Hamburg

Football	Jeremiah Bill
B XC	Jacob Wojnicki

Iroquois

Field Hockey	Kirsten Audette
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Jamestown

B Soccer	Jonathan Healy
Football	Jacob Sisson
G Tennis	Olivia Valone

Kenmore West

Field Hockey	Brianna Mathias
Field Hockey	Kaeli Mathias

Lackawanna

Football	Marcus Webb
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Lewiston-Porter

G Soccer	Angela Porter
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Lockport

Football	Daniel Bronson
B Soccer	Nse Obot
G Volleyball	Brittany Sanford
B Volleyball	Jack Whalen

Maple Grove

G XC	Caroline Benson
G XC	Abby Sirwatka
G Tennis	Christina Waler

Medina

Field Hockey	Kelsey Evoy
B Soccer	Anthony Pane

Newfane

G XC	Kelly Bochnewetch
G Soccer	Sophie Connor
B Soccer	Skyler Maurer

Niagara Falls

G Tennis	Elizabeth Kwon
G Tennis	Celsey Stahlman

Niagara Wheatfield

G Soccer	Emily Belote
Football	Jake Schoelles

North Tonawanda

B XC	Aaron Giambra
G Volleyball	Rachel Wieclaw

Orchard Park

Football	Dawson Hillis
Field Hockey	Margaux Ruh

Pioneer

B Soccer	Walker Darling
Football	Ryan Merlau
B Soccer	Dillon Ramsey

Randolph

Football	Christopher Doubeck
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Roy-Hart

G Soccer	Melissa Zakrzewski
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Southwestern

B Soccer	Riley Rybicki
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Springville

G Soccer	Dakota Nesselbush
G Soccer	Shea Schelble

Starpoint

Field Hockey	Hannah Lindsley
G Volleyball	Julie Oswald
B Volleyball	Jeremy Tock
G Swim	Elizabeth Winston

Sweet Home

G Tennis	Rebecca Jasen
G Tennis	Alexa Zak

Tonawanda

G Volleyball	Alyssa LoGrasso
G Soccer	Megan Tuskes

West Seneca East

G Volleyball	Emma Powers
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West Seneca West

G Volleyball	Amanda Altman
G Volleyball	Courtney Poirer
B Soccer	Mitchell Schoellkopf
G Swim	Cassandra Webber

Williamsville East

Field Hockey	Laura Finley
B Soccer	Vickram Goel
G XC	Lorna Krabill
G Soccer	Madeline Mahon
G Gymnastics	Ana Reyes

Williamsville North

Field Hockey	Alexandra Begley
G Gymnastics	Elana Chazen
G XC	Lauren Hudson
G Soccer	Meredith Licata
G Volleyball	Rebecca Mann
G Swim	Kelsey Simon

Williamsville South

B XC	Joseph Couche
G Soccer	Carissima Cutrona
Field Hockey	Emily Martin
G Tennis	Meredith Parenti
B Gymnastics	Noah Roberson
Football	Ryan Woods

Wilson

Field Hockey	Caitlin Boyle
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Congratulations to all winners and nominees!

The criteria for this award includes: overall grade point average of 90 or above for six semesters, starter or important reserve, seniors only. The nomination form can be found on the Section VI website; under Site Shortcuts, Scholar Athlete or at <http://www.section6.e1b.org/ScholarAthlete>

Meet the Athletic Director

A new segment to the Section VI newsletter that profiles an Athletic Director from each league.

Doug Ames, **Newfane High School** **Niagara Orleans**



Years of Athletic Administration Service:
9 years

Education:
High School - Lockport High School
College - 1982 B.S. in Physical Education
K-12; 1989 M.S. in Foundation of Education;
2002 S.D.A. M.S. in Education, Educational
Administration & Supervision

Family:
Cynthia - lovely wife for 27 years
Matthew - son, 23, 2013 Niagara University Graduate - B.S. in
Education
Andrew - son, 20, Niagara University student - 2014 graduate, B.S.
in Business

Hobbies:
Spending time with family members, playing golf, enjoying warm
weather, sun, and the beaches whenever possible

Favorite Food:
Any home cooked meal with desserts

Favorite Movie:
Rudy

Why/How did you choose athletics/education?

I have had the pleasure of following in the footsteps of my father,
Robert Ames for 34 years in the business of athletic administration.
Athletics is the other side of education that reaches out to so many
in whatever path of life you choose. It takes a special kind of person
to do what we do on a daily routine....a difference maker!

Marc LaMorticella, **Tapestry Charter School** **Charter Schools**



Years of Athletic Administration Service:
5 years

Education:
High School - Williamsville East
Undergraduate - Cortland State, BA; Canisius, MA

Family:

Nephews, 2 Dogs, Pugs

Hobbies:
Golf & Cooking

Favorite Food:
Anything Italian

Favorite Movie:
Rudy

Why/How did you choose athletics/education?

The saying "If you love what you do, you never have to work a day
in your life" has great significance for me. It is how and why I got
into physical education, coaching, and now administration. Sports
and exercise have always been a big part of my life. I knew that I
wanted to teach PE/Health and coach when I was in high school. As
Tapestry Charter School grew, so did my job - from teaching PE and
Health and coaching to taking on the role of athletic director. I love
being around the students and my peers at the school. I take great
pride in the extracurricular activities that we offer to our school
community.

Brett Banker, **Ken-Ton UFSD** **Niagara Frontier**



Years of Service:
30 years, 22 in Kenmore-Tonawanda UFSD in addition
to several different stops at high schools and colleges as
coach and administrator.

Education:
High School - Hanover High School, NH
College - Springfield College, Mass BS and MEd

Family:
Jenepher (wife) - Teacher & Director of Community Education at GI HS
Kolby (son) - Senior at St. Bonaventure University; Sport Management
major, 4-year starter for Bonnies soccer

Makallie (daughter) - Red-shirt sophomore at University of Rhode Island,
women's basketball

Hobbies:
Reading, yard work, traveling to see my kids play

Favorite Food:
Grilled salmon

Favorite Movie:
Shawshank Redemption

How did you choose athletics and education?

Sports were always a vital part of my family's life. Both my parents were
high school athletes. Involvement was ingrained at an early age. I was
very fortunate to grow up in Hanover, NH, home of Dartmouth College,
so the influence of watching Ivy League sports every weekend had a
huge impact on me. I started coaching youth teams and working camps
while still in high school. However, when I went to college I ignored all
those signs and enrolled in Marine Biology all while playing two collegiate
sports (hockey & baseball). But every summer I'd come home and coach
and eventually our Parks and Recreation Director recommended I switch
majors. I thank him several times a year.

Aubrey Lloyd



Buffalo Public Schools

Years of Athletic Administration Service:
4 years

Education:
High School - Henninger High School, Syracuse, NY,
Class of 1994
College - Canisius College, Buffalo, Class of 1998; SUNY
Albany, Albany, NY, Class of 2002

Family:
Chandra Fisher, D.O., spouse
Nathan A. Lloyd, son, 7 years old
Madeleine P. Lloyd, daughter, 5 years old

Hobbies:
Family, wine collecting

Favorite Food:
Popcorn

Why/How did you choose athletics/education?

My decision to pursue a career in education is attributed to my late
mother, Patricia Dixon-Lloyd. She was a public school teacher for hearing-
impaired students in Syracuse, NY. I spent many days after school with my
mother as she helped her students learn to communicate with the outside
world. Her love for the teaching profession rubbed off on me.

Meet the Athletic Directors

continued

Mel Swanson, Sherman CS



Chautauqua Cattaraugus

Years of Athletic Administration Service:
15 years

Education:
High School - Panama

Central School
College - Fredonia State College

Family:
Mary - wife of 38 years

Nolan, son - Amy (daughter-in-law)
3 grandsons - Darien (9), Carson (6), Braylon (3)

Patrick, son - Natalie (daughter-in-law)
Josephine (2) (granddaughter) & Johnny (6 mo.) (grandson)

Lesley, daughter
2 granddaughters - Maddison (5) & Anna Kate (3)

Ryan, son - Laura (daughter-in-law)

Hobbies:
Golfing & Watching Grandchildren

Favorite Food:
Lobster

Favorite Movie:
Top Gun

Why/How did you choose athletics/education?

As a high school student, I was a busy high school athlete, basketball and baseball were my favorite sports. As a college student I decided I wanted to continue athletics and teaching and coaching were a great opportunity for me to do that. I taught 34 years at Sherman Central School. I am still coaching and the AD, but no longer in the classroom.

Kevin Lester, Williamsville South



Erie County Interscholastic Conference

Years of Athletic Administration Service:
28 years

Education:
College - St. Bonaventure University, Physical Education; Niagara University, Master's in Administration; Niagara University, SDA

Family:
Janet, wife of 40 years, (passed away)
Three sons who are also teachers and who all played football, baseball, and basketball for Williamsville South and have coached at South as well.

Fun Fact:
In 1983, Kevin played the part of a New York Knight in the movie "The Natural".

Community Involvement:
Volunteer on the Amherst Recreation Commission (15 years), Village of Williamsville Planning Board (20 years), and several years coaching youth programs in Amherst. Many summers have centered on working in professional baseball:

- Baseball scout for the Pittsburgh Pirates and the Kansas City Royals
- Bull pen catcher for the Buffalo Bisons
- Official scorer for the Bisons
- Developed the "Pitch-Hit and Run" and the "Rookie League" youth baseball programs for the Bisons.

Career Highlights:
Throughout Kevin's career, he has coached football, baseball, basketball, volleyball, and wrestling. In 1985, Mr. Lester was appointed to the position of athletic director at Williamsville South and continues in that capacity today. During this time as athletic director, he has served on several committees and boards which included the ECIC Discipline Committee, WNY Varsity Hockey Federation Executive and Discipline Committee, and several terms on the ECIC Boys' Activity Board.

Section VI Executive Committee

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Additional Fall 2013 Champions

State Champion

Randolph Football - Class D

Sectional Champions

Frewsburg Football - Class DD

East Aurora Girls Swimming - Class B

East Aurora Girls Cross Country - Class B

International Preparatory Boys Soccer - Class C

Ellicottville Girls Soccer - Class D

Lockport Boys Volleyball - Division I

Williamsville South Girls Gymnastics

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