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Athletic Council Meeting Dates 2010-2011

September 22, November 17, January 19, March 23, May 18

All Athletic Council meetings are held at 11:30 am – Lunch served at 11:00 am

Erie 1 BOCES Education Campus, 355 Harlem Rd., W.Seneca, Building B

Mark your calendars!

Next Athletic Council Meeting September 22, 2010

ACTION ITEMS:

- Federated Girls Ice Hockey
- Safety Chairperson Appointment
- Combining Schools for Winter

Losing the Leader – A Tribute to Chuck Funke

Excerpted from articles by Mark Adair and Mary Jo Monnin

On the eve of the kickoff of the 2010 football season, the Section VI Federation lost its leader. Chuck Funke, the face of Section VI football for 26 years, died on Wednesday evening (Sept. 1, 2010), at his home in East Aurora, 4 1/2 months after being diagnosed with stomach cancer. He was 67. To say that Section VI football lost a giant would be an understatement.



Funke served the students at Iroquois Central from 1966-2000. He was a teacher, guidance counselor, athletic director (1983-84 to 1992-93), middle school principal (1989-2000) and varsity football coach (1974-1981). As a coach, Funke had a winning record in five of his eight seasons, finishing with a 38-27 record (.585 winning percentage). His final game in 1981 marked the Chiefs' first appearance at Rich Stadium, which resulted in a 21-8 loss to Lockport.

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CONGRATULATIONS SECTION VI AWARD WINNERS!!

SECTION VI SCHOOLS OF DISTINTION TO BE HONORED

NYSPHSAA announced that of the **thirteen** schools in New York State that achieved the status of Scholar-Athlete "School of Distinction" for 2009-10, four were schools in Section VI: **Albion, Clarence Starpoint and Wilson.**

These schools achieved the "School of Distinction" status by having 100% of their interscholastic varsity sports teams earn above a 90.0% grade point average. Clarence with 30 teams, is receiving the award for the 6th time. Albion and Wilson are second time winners with 17 and 20 teams respectively. This is the first year winning the award for Starpoint High School with 20 teams. The districts will be honored and presented with the award at the September Section VI Athletic Council meeting at the Erie 1 BOCES Education Campus in West Seneca.

The "School of Distinction" award, in its eighth year of existence, is the highest award handed out in the Scholar-Athlete program. The purpose of the "School of Distinction" award is to unite varsity coaches in challenging their teams to achieve a statewide honor in addition to the already established Scholar-Athlete Team Award program that was initiated in 1991-1992. Of the 77 schools that have won the award since its inception in 2002-03, 20 were Section VI schools.

Congratulations to Albion, Clarence Starpoint and Wilson!!

NYSPHSAA SCHOLAR ATHLETE TEAM AWARD STATE CHAMPIONS SPRING 2010

NYSPHSAA announced that one Section VI team achieved the State Scholar/Athlete Championship for Spring Sports! **Clarence Boys Golf.** (see page 7). Other spring sport champions include:

Section	School	Sport	GPA
1	Irvington	Softball	97.091
5	North Star Christian Academy	Baseball	95.818
6	Clarence	Boys Golf	98.229
8	Jericho	Girls Track & Field	99.587
8	Jericho	Boys Track & Field	98.220
8	Farmingdale	Girls Lacrosse	97.984
8	Farmingdale	Boys Tennis	99.549
8	Syosset	Boys Lacrosse	97.727
11	Say Ville	Girls Golf	97.356

SECTION VI SCHOLAR ATHLETE TEAMS SPRING 2010

NYSPHSAA Team Award winners (see page 11) • Section VI Individual Award winners (see page 9)

SECTION VI WINNERS - NYS GOOD SPORTS PROGRAM

Congratulations to **Cleveland Hill, Kenmore West and Forestville High Schools.** These Section VI schools have been recognized by NYSPHSAA through the New York Good Sports Program for outstanding efforts in promoting good sportsmanship in Section VI. All three schools and their Athletic Directors will be honored at the September meeting of the Athletic Council. Congratulation to all!

SECTION VI 2010 SPRING SPORTS STATE CHAMPIONS

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Track and Field

School	Champion	Event	Division
Lancaster	Melissa Kurzdorfer	Discus	1
Cleveland Hill	Taylor Eldridge	Shot Put	2
Williamsville East	Kala Allen	400 Meters	1
East Aurora	Catherine Phillips	3000 Meters	2

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NEWS FROM THE STATE OFFICE

APPROVED BY NYSPHSAA CENTRAL COMMITTEE (AUGUST 3-4, 2010)

For additional approved items—please check www.nysphsaa.org

Championship Dates and Sites:

- Boys Swimming & Diving at Nassau Aquatic Center (8)
- Boys & Girls Skiing at Whiteface/Mt. Van Hoevenberg (7)
- Bowling at Strike N Spare Lanes (3).

Transfer: Academic advantage is limited to courses that can be taught in public schools. (Implementation Date 2011-2012 School Year)

Wrestling: Of the six permitted tournaments, a maximum of 2 two-day dual meet tournaments will be allowed.

Cross Country: The continuation of the site rotation for championship events.

Nominating Committee: Steve Broadwell as 2nd Vice President

Safety Committee: Clarification of the NFHS Concussion rule for member schools and sport officials.

Fiscal Concerns: Postpone discussion on a one (or two year) extension of the Fiscal Concerns Committee recommendations to the December 2010 Executive Committee meeting. Representatives should come prepared for a possible vote.

HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE FALL SEASON

Interschool Scrimmages: A scrimmage is a practice that is a SIMULATED CONTEST. In scrimmages:

- both squads use the same field simultaneously with both coaches making corrections and giving instructions
- GAME RULES MUST BE ALTERED – SEE SPORT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS
- no official score is kept
- time period(s) are defined in the Sport Standards section of the NYSPHSAA Handbook
- no admission is charged. The use of officials would be permitted and encouraged whenever possible for the purpose of instruction regarding the rules and proper application of rules.

Sportsmanship:

- Approved a language change to the Sportsmanship Rule to state, "...disqualified by a sport official...." This change would clarify that the rule would be in effect during a scrimmage or a contest with the consequence being a suspension from a contest.
- Any coach that does not serve the penalty for violating the Sportsmanship Standard #27, is ineligible to coach until the next two (2) regularly scheduled contests have been completed. If the coach continues to not serve

the penalty, the matter will be referred to the Section Executive Director for further action.

CONCUSSION CONFERENCE

The Brain Injury Association of NYS will be hosting a one day conference entitled "Heading in the Right Direction: Strategies for Sports Concussion Management" on Saturday September 25, 2010 from 8:30am to 4:30pm. This will be held at St. John's University in New York.

For more information contact: The Brain Injury Association of New York State, 10 Colvin Ave. Albany, NY 12206 Phone: (518) 459-7911 Fax: (518) 482-5285

NYSAAA BINDER SALE

\$35 NYSAAA Handbook

Order through the on-line store at www.nysphsaa.org

DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

Contact your Section Representative for information on:

- Cheerleading - Coaching Certification and Sport Status
- Championship Philosophy Report

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Mark Ward Takes the Gavel for NYSPHSAA

Section VI's Mark Ward, Superintendent Ellicottville Central Schools, has taken on the honor and privilege of the Presidency of the New York State Public High School Athletic Association. Over the past four years he has served the organization as 2nd Vice-President and 1st Vice-President. As Mark indicated, the NYSPHSAA has continued to meet the changing demands of interscholastic athletics by proactively approaching issues and challenges with open, thoughtful and transparent dialogue. Mr. Ward accepted the gavel from now Past-President Patrick Pizzarelli at the Annual NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame Banquet on August 4, 2010 held at Holiday Valley Resort in Ellicottville. Representatives from the 11 Sections throughout NYS as well as Mark's co-workers from Ellicottville Central were on hand to celebrate Mark's new leadership role as 45th President of NYSPHSAA. Congratulations Mark!!



Mark Ward (left) and Past President Pat Pizzarelli.

2010 NYSAAA Award Winners are Honored

The 2010 Chapter 6 winners of the annual New York State Athletic Administrators Association's awards were presented with their plaques

at the May 2010 meeting of the Section VI Athletic Council. Shown in the photo (L-R) are Dr. Michael Wendt, President Section



VI, **Nate Beutel** of the Niagara Gazette - Community Service Award, **Lynda Tomasikiewicz** - Judith Martens Secretarial Award and **Timothy Marong** - Athletic Administrator Award of the Year. Not photographed was **Tom Roberts** - Distinguished Service Award winner. The winners' biographies were featured in the May Newsletter which is posted on the Section VI website. Congratulations to all the award winners!

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Losing the Leader – A Tribute to Chuck Funke

For Iroquois coach Frank Payne, Funke's death hit hard. In 1992, Payne was an assistant coach in the Iroquois program and hoping to land a teaching job somewhere... anywhere. Funke, as Principal at Iroquois Middle School and Physical Education Chairman for the district, conducted Payne's interview. "When I got home the phone was ringing," Payne said. "It was Chuck. He told me he was very happy to have a football guy hired at Iroquois. That phone call changed my life." Payne interviewed for the head varsity job in 2000. "When I got the head job, it was unbelievable," Payne said. "One of my goals was to be like Chuck Funke. To have a passion for the game and the knowledge and skill to handle the job as he did. He was a great administrator. He was genuine person. He was honest. His passion for football and kids was unparalleled."

As was his style, Funke managed to keep a low profile in a high-profile position. His long and memorable tenure as Section VI football chairman began in 1982-83. It would be easy to point to the 16 state titles Section VI won under his guise, but there were many other ways he created opportunities for kids to share the game he loved. He was instrumental in pushing for the formation of the New York State championship playoffs, which became a reality in 1993.

Within the Section, he developed the postseason bowl games designed to give non-playoff teams the chance to extend their seasons by two games. The bowl format wasn't exactly popular at the time. "A lot of people balked at it," Payne said. "and called it the 'Toilet Bowl.' Some teams even skipped the games. But Chuck stood strong on it despite the criticism". Chuck Funke saw an enormous benefit from the Bowl Games. It was an opportunity for kids to play more football. The results of Funke's persistence have been seen in the Carrier Dome with eight state championships in the last 2 years. Playing bowl games paid an immediate dividend for Payne and Iroquois. "Iroquois had won only 19 games all through the 1990s," Payne said. "My first year as head coach we went 7-3 and won the 'A' Bowl. That was a huge thing for our program. The next year we went to the Stadium." And Southwestern comes into the 2010 season riding a 28-game winning streak. That streak began with two bowl game wins in 2007. As Coach Payne says "He is THE reason Section VI football is where it's at."

Funke was one of the founders and reigning president of the Western New York Amateur Football Alliance. The alliance sponsored such events as the Junior Combine at Ralph Wilson Stadium, the Western New York Coaching Clinic, College Night at the Buffalo Bills Field house and the Bills Initiative for Youth Football. In retirement Funke found other ways to serve kids, becoming the Executive/Secretary of the ECIC starting in 2002.

As news of his failing health traveled, Funke began receiving letters from former players. Dr. Doug Moreland, Class of 1976, wrote: "I did not appreciate what a class act you were until after I left high school. As life passed by, I noticed with envy the immediate and universal sentiment that your name and presence would bring out in others. All stood straighter, played their A game, ran faster or just hustled a little more because we were around Coach Funke. You are the measure of a true man."

It's strangely fitting that Funke died on the day before the season opened. "He wasn't going to wait until the middle of the season and distract everyone," Payne said. "That just wasn't Chuck. It was never about him." Section VI Executive Director Timm Slade requested that teams have a moment of silence before the start of all varsity and junior varsity football games that weekend. The Section ordered football shaped stickers with the initials "CF" on them. Every team in Section VI will wear the stickers on their helmets as a tribute to Chuck Funke....an honor that may never be repeated. "Chuck deserves that," Payne said, "because his stamp is on Western New York football forever."

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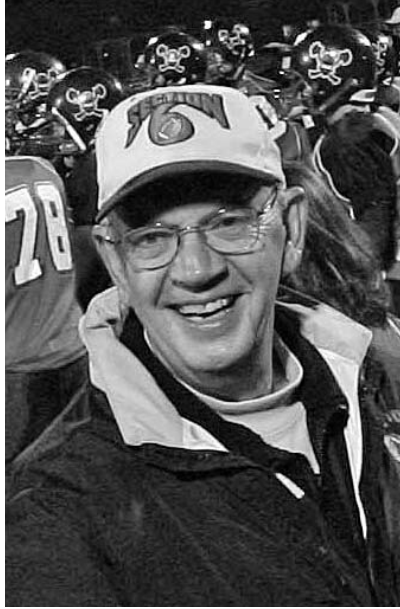


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Dates to Remember 2010-2011



- Sept. 15 Annual Veterans' Recognition Golf Tournament/Dinner
- Sept. 16 Finance Committee Meeting noon at the Section VI office
- Sept. 22 Athletic Council meeting, 11:30 am at Erie 1 BOCES, W.Seneca
Executive Committee meeting, 9:30 am at Erie 1 BOCES, W.Seneca
- Sept. 29 Winter Sports pre-season meeting Time 3:00pm
Erie 1 BOCES, W.Seneca
- Oct. 20 Executive Committee Meeting via teleconference 9:00am - noon
- Oct. 28 Sectional/Intersectional Committee meeting via teleconference 9:00am – noon
Finance Committee Meeting noon Section VI office
- Oct. 29 Deadline for submission of BEDS date to the Section VI office
- Oct. 30-31 Wrestling Clinic, Binghamton
- Nov. 15 Deadline for All-WNY Fall Scholar Athlete applications to the Section office
- Nov. 17 Athletic Council meeting, 11:30 am at Erie 1 BOCES, W.Seneca
Executive Committee meeting, 9:30 am at Erie 1 BOCES, W.Seneca
- Dec. 3 Deadline for Fall Scholar/Athlete Team Award Applications to the state
- Dec. 5-6 State Executive Committee Meeting, Holiday Inn, Wolf Rd.
- Dec. 15 Nominations for 2011 NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame are due to the state office
- Dec. 15 Executive Committee Christmas Luncheon Meeting noon at location TBA

**INTERSCHOLASTIC COACHING
CERTIFICATION COURSES
FALL/WINTER 2010-2011
Erie 2-Chautauqua-Cattaraugus
BOCES**

Courses are held at LoGuidice Educational Center, Fredonia, NY

Information is posted → <http://e2ccboces.wnyric.org/programs/intercoach.html>

PHILOSOPHY, PRINCIPLES, AND ORGANIZATION OF ATHLETICS IN EDUCATION*

Instructor: John Bogardus
Sept. 14, 16, 21, 23, 28, 30, Oct. 5, 6, 7, 2010
6:00 pm-10:00 pm

HEALTH SCIENCE APPLIED TO COACHING*

Instructor: Marty Hemmer
November 1, 3, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 2010
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

THEORY AND TECHNIQUES OF COACHING*

Instructor: Marty Hemmer
November 29, 30, December 6, 7, 2010

FIRST AID SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

Oct. 18,19,25,26, 2010
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

* Courses indicated by an asterisk are also offered online Sept. 13, 2010 - December 30, 2010

**Section VI Hosts
Athletic Director
Workshop**

In May 2007, the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee approved the requirement that all school district Athletic Directors attend an annual MANDATORY NYSPHSAA Eligibility Workshop. The rationale supporting this recommendation was to ensure compliance with all NYSPHSAA Rules and Regulations and to minimize student athletes from being deemed ineligible.

Erie 1 BOCES in West Seneca was the site of the 2010 Section VI Workshop on August 30. Nina Van Erk, Executive Director NYSPHSAA and Todd Nelson, Assistant Executive Director conducted a very informative and interactive session on Eligibility and Standards in the morning for over 80 Athletic Directors in Section VI, as well as a more in-depth review for the new Athletic Directors afterwards. Thank you Nina and Todd for sharing your time and wisdom!!!

**INTERSCHOLASTIC COACHING CERTIFICATION COURSES
FALL/WINTER 2010-2011**

Courses are posted → <http://www.section6.e1b.org/> click on the Bulletin Board

ERIE 1 BOCES

THEORY & TECHNIQUES OF COACHING

Sept. 20, 22, 27, 29 and Oct. 4, 2010 & last date TBD
Mon. & Wed. 4:30 pm - 8:00 pm
Limit: 22 participants \$165.00 per participant
Registration Deadline: Sept. 15, 2010

CHUCK AMO

Hamburg High School
4111 Legion Drive
Hamburg, NY 14075

PHILOSOPHY, PRINCIPLES & ORGANIZATION OF ATHLETICS

Oct. 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28 and November 2, 4, 2010
Tues. & Thurs. 6:00 pm - 10:30 pm
Limit: 25 participants Amherst, NY 14228
Registration Deadline: Sept. 29, 2010

CHRIS DEMARCO

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

HEALTH SCIENCE APPLIED TO COACHING

Oct. 13, 18, 20, 25, 27 and
November 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 2010
Mon. & Wed. 6:30 pm - 10:00 pm
Limit: 22 participants
Registration Deadline: Oct. 8, 2010

**PAUL PIGNATARO,
TOM HANEY, KURT HOLME**

Erie 1 BOCES
Building A, Room A-1
355 Harlem Road
West Seneca, NY 14224
\$165.00 per participant

THEORY & TECHNIQUES OF COACHING

December 1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 2010 & last date TBD
Mon. & Wed. 6:30 pm - 10:00 pm
Limit: 25 participants
Registration Deadline: November 24, 2010

KEN STOLDT

Erie 1 BOCES, Bldg. A, Rm. A-1
355 Harlem Road
West Seneca, NY 14224
\$165.00 per participant

PHILOSOPHY, PRINCIPLES & ORGANIZATION OF ATHLETICS

January 4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27
and February 1, 3, 2011
Tues. & Thurs. 6:00 pm - 10:30 pm
Limit: 22 participants
Registration Deadline: December 23, 2010

CHUCK AMO

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

THEORY & TECHNIQUES OF COACHING

March 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 2011 & last date TBD
Tues. & Thurs. 6:30 pm - 10:00 pm
Limit: 22 participants
Registration Deadline: February 25, 2011

CHUCK AMO

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

PHILOSOPHY, PRINCIPLES & ORGANIZATION OF ATHLETICS

March 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29, 31, 2011
Tues. & Thurs. 6:00 pm - 10:30 pm
Limit: 25 participants
Registration Deadline: February 22, 2011

CHRIS DEMARCO

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

HEALTH SCIENCE APPLIED TO COACHING

April 11, 13, 25, 27 and May 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 2011
Mon. & Wed. 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm
plus balance of this course (15 hrs) will be taught online.
Limit: 22 participants
Registration Deadline: April 6, 2011

CHRIS KAPLAN

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

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Sharon Barley: 574-8254, American Red Cross: 886-7500 (Safety Services),
AthletiCare: 517-3334

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Heartfelt Thanks

Section VI would like to express sincere gratitude to the following people who have stepped down from their respective positions within the Section this past June. We are truly grateful to have benefited from their passion and enthusiasm for their sport and interscholastic athletics!

Kevin Rice, an educator with Silver Creek CSD (14 years) and Bryant and Stratton College (3 years), has held the position of Section VI Boys Golf Sportchair since 2002. He has served as CCIAC Div II League chairman for 6 years. Kevin, who is a Golf Professional with Tri County CC and Lancaster CC, is the newly appointed Men's Golf Coach at Hilbert College. **Janet Battaglia**, teacher and coach at Amherst Middle School, has served as the Section VI Girls Lacrosse Sportchair since 2007. These individuals have been instrumental in making sectional competition in their respective sport what it is today.

Vince Vecchiarella, retiring in September from his four-year position as Superintendent of the North Tonawanda City School District, will be stepping down as the Superintendents' Representative of the Niagara Frontier League on the Section VI Athletic Council, a post he held for the past four years. His experiences include high school head varsity coach for football, basketball and baseball, as well as classroom teacher, guidance director, building principal, assistant superintendent and over 20 years as superintendent of four other districts. Vince has served on the NYS Council of School Superintendents Athletic Committees, Arizona Inter-Scholastic Advisory Council and while serving as President of the Lower Council of School Superintendents he served on the Executive Board of Section 1 Athletics.

He has held offices as President for the Far West Council of School Superintendents, Lower Hudson Council of School Superintendents, Sullivan County Schools Guidance and Personnel Association and for both the Pawling and Buckeye Valley Chamber of Commerce. He has represented the New York State Council of School Superintendents for three terms as a member of the New York State Commissioner's Advisory Committee and 6 terms as on the House of Delegates. He also has represented the Chautauqua County Superintendents on the Chautauqua County School Boards Association Executive Board.

Vince has served his community as Deputy Supervisor for the Dunkirk Town Council for 5 years, a member of the West Dunkirk Volunteer Fire Department and a 20 year member of the Moose Lodge.

Tim Marong has retired from Frontier Central where he was the Athletic Director for



*Back Row (L to R): Jamie Barden, Bob Dinse, Vince Vecchiarella, Tom Cowan, Jack Dugan, Gary Mannella
Front Row (L to R): Donna Kubera, David Thomas, Marissa Fallacaro
Not pictured: Kevin Rice, Janet Battaglia, Doug Ames*

9 years and Assistant Principal prior to that. Tim is stepping down as Section VI Safety Chairman, a position he has been dedicated to for 9 years. He also served Section VI as the Officials Chair for Boys Basketball for 10 years. Tim was selected as the 2010 NYSAAA Athletic Administrator of the Year.

David Thomas, retired in March 2010 from his 10-year position as Director of Physical Education and Athletics for the Buffalo City School District. David, who has been a teacher and administrator for Buffalo for 44 years, served as the Buffalo representative on the Section VI Athletic Council, Finance Committee and Sectional Intersectional Committee for over 10 years. He implemented the Harvard Cup Hall of Fame, MLK Holiday basketball tournament & Silver Hoops All-Star basketball tournament. Dave was key in the reconstruction project of the state of the art facility All High Stadium and the establishment of the JV sports program at Buffalo. He was selected as the 2009 NYSAAA Athletic Administrator of the Year and inducted into the Kenmore West Hall of Fame in 2007.

Doug Ames, Director of Health, Physical Education and Athletics at Newfane, has stepped down from his multiple positions in service to the Section. He has been directing our student athletes on the right path as Chemical Awareness Chairman since 1997 and Sportsmanship Chairman since 2004. As Chairman for these standing committees he was a member of the Section VI Executive Committee and Athletic Council for 12 years.

Doug served on the Wrestling Committee for over 20 years and has coached many sports including golf, wrestling, softball, cross country, swimming and track. This year also marked the first year for Doug as the Western Region Director of the Empire State Games.

Donna Kubera stepped down from her position as Girls Rep for the CCAA league at the beginning of last year. Donna served her league and Section VI in this position from 2004. She has also served on the CCAA Executive Committee and was the league's Girls Bowling Chairperson. Donna's experience includes Physical Education teacher at Dunkirk High School for over 21 years and coach for bowling, swimming, volleyball and track.

Sincere thanks are also extended to Bob Dinse, who stepped down as Executive Secretary in November 2009, and Tom Cowan who retired from his position as Officials Coordinator last March. A tribute to both Section VI Veteran leaders is posted in the January 2010 issue (p.4) of the Newsletter on the Section VI website.

These individuals have each given immeasurable time and energy in service to 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. Section VI wishes them the best of luck in all their future endeavors! As a token of appreciation, each was presented a plaque for their years of service to Section VI at the annual Recognition Dinner in August.

Section VI Athlete Sally Kus NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame Inductee

Ms. Sally Kus is one of five individuals selected for induction into the 2010 Class of the NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame. Sally's significant contributions to high school athletics in New York State have made her stand apart from her colleagues in the field of coaching. The induction ceremony took place at the NYSPHSAA Central Committee meeting banquet at the Holiday Valley Resort in Ellicottville on August 4, 2010.

Sally Kus is an icon in interscholastic volleyball in Western New York. Kus was the girls head volleyball coach at Sweet Home High School (Section VI) from 1974 to 1996. During her tenure at Sweet Home she compiled an impressive 794-29 record which included 21 consecutive ECIC League Championship titles (76-96), 20 consecutive Section VI Championships (77-96), 15 consecutive Far West Regional Championships (81-96) and six consecutive NYSPHSAA Championships from 1990 to 1995. In 1985, Kus broke the National High School Federation Record for most consecutive victories at 219 then re-set her own record by reaching 292 straight wins in 1987—a year in which she was named National Federation Volleyball Coach of the Year and saw her program ranked as the best volleyball program in the country by Volleyball Monthly. Just four years later, her program was ranked #1 in the country by USA Today and Volleyball Monthly. Numerous Halls of Fame have recognized Sally for her tremendous success as a volleyball coach including induction into the Sweet Home High School Hall of Fame in 1993 as well as the National Volleyball Hall of Fame and the Greater Buffalo Sports Hall of Fame both in 1996. Continuing her honors, in 1994 Kus received the National Woman's Sports Foundation Coaches award. In 2004, Kus published a book with Human Kinetics titled "Coaching Volleyball Successfully". Kus now coaches at Cuba-Rushford High School in Section V where she has a present record of 57-7. In addition to her accomplishments, Kus is a member of the American Volleyball Coaches Association and a Member of USA Volleyball, and has coached more than 150 Division 1 Volleyball scholarship recipients. Prior to a decorated coaching career, Kus was an athlete at Sweet Home High School, then went on to earn a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Akron (where she lettered in basketball) and her Master's Degree from the University at Buffalo.

Congratulations to Ms. Kus for this outstanding achievement!! The NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame has been made possible by the generous support from Pupil Benefits, Inc.



CONGRATULATIONS Clarence 2010 Boys Golf State Scholar/Athlete Champions

The **Clarence Golf Team** was crowned as New York State Scholar Athlete Champions finishing first of 228 golf teams with a 98.229 average for the top 7 members of the team. A total of 15 students had an average of 90% or above. The golf team's title was Clarence's 12th New York State Title.

Section VI is pleased to congratulate Clarence Boys Golf for achieving the State Scholar/Athlete Championship.



NIAAA Scholar Athletes

The National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA) asked that each state nominate a male and a female scholar-athlete. The criteria included athletics, academics, community service and leadership. Our state recognized the importance of this great honor and asked each Section to create a process by which, names from across the Section are pushed to the state level. After much deliberation and a difficult selection



process, Section VI honored **Taylor Eldridge** from Cleveland Hill High School and **Tyler Friess** from East Aurora High School as our 2010 honorees. Both students are tremendous athletes, students and leaders dedicated to their communities. Congratulations to both Taylor and Tyler!!



(photo L-R) Taylor's mom Elisabeth, Taylor, Taylor's dad Kevin, CleveHill AD Keith Lewis, Section VI President Dr. Michael Wendt,

(photo L-R) East Aurora AD Fred Thornley, Tyler's mom Susan, Tyler, Tyler's dad Gregory, Section VI President Dr. Michael Wendt

SECTION VI GIRLS TRACK SHINES AT STATE COMPETITION

Catherine Phillips, a senior at East Aurora High School won the NY State Division II title in the 3000 meter run where she also set the school and section record with a time of 9:44.17. Catherine was a member of the 4 x 800 relay with Marta McLaughlin, Erin Holbrook, and Megan Hulton that placed second at states and went on to break the section record at the New Balance Nationals with a time of 9:15.02. Catherine, who will attend U. Penn this fall, also won the 1500 meter run at sectionals with a school record time of 4:38.60. Pictured are left to right: Catherine Phillips, Erin Holbrook, Marta McLaughlin, and Megan Hulton.



Kala Allen, a 10th Grader at Williamsville East, has become an accomplished athlete. Her achievements include:

- 2008 and 2010 NY State and Federation Champion in Girls 400m
- 2008 Empire State Games Gold Medalist in Girls 400m
- 2009 NY State Division I Championships: 2nd place in Girls 400m and 4th place in Girls 200m.
- 2009 Federation Championships: 3rd place in Girls 400m and 6th place in Girls 200m
- 2009 Girls Athlete of the Year for large schools (Buffalo Fan Awards Network)
- 2009 USATF Junior Olympics National Championships: 4th place in 400m
- 2009 Nike Outdoor National Championships: 8th place in 400m.
- 2010 NY State and Federation: 3rd place in both 300m & 600m
- Personal best: 400m = 54.61
- Western New York 300m Indoor Track record holder

Kala, who is coached by Cameron Townsend, also qualified for the Western Team empires state games in both the 200m and 400m.

Taylor Eldridge, a senior at Cleveland Hill High School, is the NYSPHSAA 2010 Division II State Champion in the shot put, winning the event with a throw of 41'-08.75". She is a striking example of an accomplished Scholar Athlete, being a champion shot put and discus thrower and also the Valedictorian for 2010. Taylor is a 5 sport varsity athlete. She competed in varsity volleyball, varsity swimming, varsity basketball, varsity track and field and powerlifting. Over Taylor's athletic Career she has won numerous awards for her athleticism. Most recently she won the Section VI High School Athlete Sportsmanship Award and the Channel 4 (WIVB) Scholar Athlete \$1500 Scholarship. She holds numerous school records including the shot put record 42'1" and the discus record of 142'8". Taylor has also won the Division II State Meet in shot put in 2010, 2009, 2007 as well as the Division II State Meet in discus in 2009, 2008, 2007. Miss Eldridge is a driven young lady whose athletic career will go down as one of the best female athletes in Cleveland Hill's history. Taylor will be throwing shot put and discus at Yale University.



Melissa Kurzdorfer wrapped up her illustrious career at Lancaster High School this past June. Melissa won 3 national championships and 21 state titles during her 6 year varsity career at Lancaster. She takes with her Section VI and New York State records in the indoor shot put and 20 lb. weight throw as well as the outdoor shot put and hammer. Her final season was highlighted by an unbelievable performance at the Hartford Invitational in Hartford, CT. Melissa set new NYS records in the shot put and hammer at the event and also won the discus earning most valuable athlete of the meet honors. Melissa's throw in the hammer of 192' 8" was the 4th best throw in US history for a high school female.

Melissa is currently at Kent St. University in Ohio of a full Athletic Scholarship. She is undecided on a major and is taking general studies. Her goal is to become a Division 1 All – American in her freshman year.

CONGRATULATIONS to the SECTION VI All WNY Spring Scholar Athletes

Section VI has selected the winners of the All WNY Scholar Athlete award for spring sports. There were 481 total nominations for the Section VI. 120 were selected as new winners, 48 were repeat winners from fall or winter and 10 were 3 season winners for a total of 178 total winners. Congratulations to all winners and nominees!! The criteria for this award are: 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 website. Click on Forms and Information, then on All-WNY.

Spring Scholar Athlete Winners

3x Indicates a 3 season winner • 2x Indicates a 2 season winner

Sport	Name	School			
Baseball	Bradley Rush	Albion	Boys Tennis	Jeremy Styborski	Fredonia
Boys Tennis	Steven Boyar	Amherst	Softball	Shannon C Farrell	Frontier
Girls Track & Field	Laura Caty	Amherst	Girls Lacrosse	Shannon L Farrell	Frontier
Boys Lacrosse	Eoghan Connors	Amherst	Baseball	Joshua Tingue	Frontier
Girls Track & Field	Rebecca Keable	Amherst	Girls Lacrosse	Krystal Chapin	Grand Island
Girls Lacrosse	Karlene Kristich	Amherst	Girls Lacrosse	Kayla Fermoile	Grand Island
Girls Track & Field	Olivia May 2X	Amherst	Boys Golf	Alexander Fry	Grand Island
Boys Tennis	William Pelham	Amherst	Boys Tennis	Seth Kline	Grand Island
Boys Golf	Gordon Peterson 2X	Amherst	Baseball	Joel Klock	Grand Island
Boys Tennis	Gordon Peterson 3X	Amherst	Boys Track & Field	Christopher Stessing	Grand Island
Baseball	Joe Pittari 2X	Amherst	Boys Lacrosse	Adam Dings	Hamburg
Girls Track & Field	Annalise Polvino	Amherst	Baseball	Matthew Vranjes	Hamburg
Boys Tennis	Joe Ray	Amherst	Softball	Meg DeMario 2X	Holland
Girls Track & Field	Victoria Sosnowski 3X	Amherst	Baseball	Patrick Dittmer 2X	Holland
Boys Tennis	Noah Steinfeld	Amherst	Boys Track & Field	Thomas Makin 3X	Holland
Boys Golf	Jake Struebing	Amherst	Boys Track & Field	Joseph Pagano	Holland
Girls Track & Field	Nasya Watson	Amherst	Boys Track & Field	Joshua Radecki 2X	Holland
Boys Tennis	Erick Bennes	Barker	Crew	Christina Dines	Holy Angels
Softball	Sienna Dear 3X	Barker	Girls Golf	Erin Frost	Holy Angels
Baseball	Ethan Dewart 2X	Barker	Girls Lacrosse	Stephanie Griebner 2X	Holy Angels
Softball	Aileen Hinton 2X	Barker	Girls Golf	Jennifer Kolber	Holy Angels
Girls Tennis	Emily Klatt 2X	Barker	Girls Track & Field	Indigo Turner	Holy Angels
Boys Track & Field	Colin Bogdan 2X	Canisius	Girls Lacrosse	Andrea Walczak 2X	Holy Angels
Baseball	Patrick Dearing	Canisius	Softball	Meghan Hennessy 2X	Immaculata
Boys Lacrosse	William Koessler	Canisius	Softball	Sarah Horvath	Immaculata
Boys Track & Field	Robert Patterson	Canisius	Softball	Amber Penna	Immaculata
Boys Tennis	Peter Roehmholdt 2X	Canisius	Girls Track & Field	Lisa Rae Zoldos	Immaculata
Boys Tennis	Andrew Greeley	Cass. Valley	Softball	Jamie Nash 2X	John F. Kennedy
Softball	Lindsey Grole	Cass. Valley	Girls Track & Field	Rachel Reitano	Kenmore West
Softball	Anna Nietupski 3X	Cass. Valley	Boys Track & Field	Kyle Benzing 3X	Lake Shore
Baseball	Ryan Andrew 2X	Catt/LittleValley	Baseball	Joshua Gotsch 2X	Lake Shore
Boys Track & Field	Morgan Clark	Catt/LittleValley	Baseball	Dylan Hammer	Lake Shore
Baseball	Kyle Kiebzak	Charter /Applied Tech	Baseball	Kayla Hornberger	Lake Shore
Softball	Meghan McEvoy	Cheektowaga	Girls Track & Field	Kimberly Vona	Lake Shore
Boys Tennis	Kevin Ganley	City Honors	Girls Track & Field	Adam Hellwig 2X	Medina
Boys Tennis	Jonathan Ang	Clarence	Boys Track & Field	John Louis Pane	Medina
Softball	Valorie Nappo	Clarence	Girls Track & Field	Sarah Bevilaqua	Mt. Mercy
Baseball	Ben Smith	Clarence	Girls Lacrosse	Constance Evaniak	Mt. Mercy
Girls Track & Field	Liz Budzinski	Depew	Girls Track & Field	Alison Hadley	Mt. Mercy
Boys Golf	Shane Boyle 2X	Dunkirk	Girls Lacrosse	Laura Giunta	Mt. St. Mary's
Boys Tennis	Brian Mackowiak	Dunkirk	Softball	Lisa Petty	Mt. St. Mary's
Baseball	Christopher Messina 2X	Dunkirk	Girls Lacrosse	Danielle Tartick	Mt. St. Mary's
Girls Track & Field	Emily Crawford 2X	East Aurora	Boys Lacrosse	Samuel Forster 2X	N. Tonawanda
Boys Track & Field	Tyler Friess 2X	East Aurora	Softball	Kimberly Garbus	N. Tonawanda
Girls Lacrosse	Lindsay Kingston	East Aurora	Softball	Christine Hempel	N. Tonawanda
Girls Track & Field	Leah Klocke	East Aurora	Baseball	Michael Tuzzo	N. Tonawanda
Girls Track & Field	Catherine Phillips 2X	East Aurora	Girls Track & Field	Laura Avino	Nardin
Softball	Kayley Sebastian	East Aurora	Girls Track & Field	Cassandra Carr 2X	Nardin
Softball	Marissa Shaw	East Aurora	Girls Tennis	Nina Deuschle	Nardin
Boys Track & Field	Steven Stone	East Aurora	Girls Lacrosse	Alexandra Ferrino	Nardin
Girls Lacrosse	Amanda Zacchigna	East Aurora	Girls Track & Field	Laura Garbes 2X	Nardin
Girls Track & Field	Jordan Steele 2X	Falconer	Girls Tennis	Sara Gianfagna 2X	Nardin
Softball	Molly Butts	Fredonia	Girls Track & Field	Lauren Heitzhaus	Nardin
Softball	Marah Dahn	Fredonia	Girls Track & Field	Kerry Poppenberg	Nardin
			Softball	Mary Andreas	Newfane

Winter Scholar Athlete Winners cont...

Softball	Samantha Kelly	Newfane	Boys Tennis	Michael Johnson 2X	St. Joe's
Boys Tennis	Cameron Fitch	Niagara Falls	Baseball	Andrew Kowalski	St. Joe's
Baseball	Ronald Canestro 2X	Nichols	Boys Lacrosse	JohnPatrick McCleary	St. Joe's
Girls Lacrosse	Siobhan Hanley 2X	Nichols	Boys Lacrosse	Michael Schreck 2X	St. Joe's
Baseball	Andrew MacKinnon	Nichols	Boys Track & Field	Terence Shannon	St. Joe's
Girls Golf	Rene Sobolewski	Nichols	Softball	Kelsey Andriatch	Sweet Home
Boys Lacrosse	Jake Stark 2X	Nichols	Softball	Kelly Balsom 2X	Sweet Home
Girls Lacrosse	Jillian Tokarczyk 3X	Nichols	Softball	Alexandria Porter	Sweet Home
Girls Track & Field	Rachel Bantelman	Olean	Girls Lacrosse	Lindsay Prentice	Sweet Home
Boys Track & Field	Jason Mahar	Olean	Baseball	Cody Stonish	Sweet Home
Boys Golf	Reed McElfresh	Olean	Girls Lacrosse	Emily Victor	Sweet Home
Boys Track & Field	Christopher Mosher	Olean	Boys Tennis	Zachary Persichini 2X	Timon-St. Jude
Softball	Sarah Shembeda	Olean	Baseball	Michael Scarcello 2X	Timon-St. Jude
Baseball	Kevin Stevens 3X	Olean	Boys Tennis	John Simon 2X	Timon-St. Jude
Girls Lacrosse	Amanda Kullman	Orchard Park	Boys Golf	Dan Peters	Tonawanda
Girls Lacrosse	Allysa Maderer	Orchard Park	Boys Golf	Michael Melohusky	W.Seneca West
Softball	Sierra Butcher	Pine Valley	Baseball	Justin Birzon	Will. East
Softball	Nikole Lindquist 2X	Pine Valley	Girls Track & Field	Jill Cutspec 2X	Will. East
Girls Golf	Mary Canty 2X	Sacred Heart	Boys Track & Field	Cody Degen	Will. East
Girls Lacrosse	Mary Canty	Sacred Heart	Girls Track & Field	Amy French	Will. East
Softball	Erica Comisso	Sacred Heart	Girls Lacrosse	Elena Scrivani	Will. East
Girls Golf	Reba Conway 2X	Sacred Heart	Boys Track & Field	Mujtaba Soniwala	Will. East
Girls Lacrosse	Emily Gillig	Sacred Heart	Girls Lacrosse	Emily Helwig 2X	Will. North
Girls Tennis	Mary Beth Pandolfino	Sacred Heart	Boys Tennis	Aaron Ridall	Will. North
Girls Golf	Catherine Trzaska 2X	Sacred Heart	Boys Track & Field	Peter Galbo 3X	Will. South
Girls Tennis	Bethany Wattengel	Sacred Heart	Softball	Danielle Giancarlo 2X	Will. South
Girls Track & Field	Erin Wattengel	Sacred Heart	Softball	Megan Hull	Will. South
Boys Golf	Curtis Dux	Salamanca	Baseball	Clark Zhang	Will. South
Boys Tennis	Benjamin Doud	Springville	Boys Lacrosse	Joshua Ernisse	Wilson
Boys Lacrosse	Geoffrey Blosat	St. Joe's	Boys Tennis	Nickolas S. Halleran 2X	Wilson
Crew	Zachary Connerton	St. Joe's	Boys Track & Field	Ryan Kiely	Wilson
Boys Track & Field	Christopher Crocker	St. Joe's	Girls Track & Field	Jordynn Koroschetz 2X	Wilson
Crew	Thomas Evangelista	St. Joe's	Girls Track & Field	Amber Lehman 3X	Wilson
Boys Track & Field	James Harb 2X	St. Joe's	Baseball	Collin Okoniewski 2X	Wilson
Boys Golf	Richard Hilliker	St. Joe's			

NYSPHSAA 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 – Spring 2010

**State Champion *Spring Team

BASEBALL	Westfield	91.143	Southwestern*	96.999	Amherst	93.274	
Southwestern	93.479	Niagara Falls	91.091	Alden	95.729	Depew	93.257
Clarence	93.273	Newfane	91.072	Springville	95.366	Lockport	92.439
Williamsville South	93.197	Albion	90.899	W.Seneca West	95.287	East Aurora	92.436
Falconer	93.130	Williamsville East	90.884	Williamsville East	95.034	Portville *	92.310
Wilson	92.855	Kenmore West	90.849	Cassadaga Valley*	94.881	Wilson	92.304
East Aurora	92.637	Allegany-Limestone	90.631	Chautauqua Lake*	94.869	Sweet Home	92.155
Lancaster	92.425	West Valley	90.550	Lake Shore	94.515	Salamanca*	92.096
Williamsville North	92.365	Lockport	90.529	Iroquois	94.399	Olean*	92.094
Cassadaga Valley	92.346	Eden	90.394	Newfane	94.337	Williamsville North	92.079
Sweet Home	92.173	Starpoint	90.126	Eden	93.907	Niagara Falls	92.000
Lake Shore	91.702	Niagara-Wheatfield	90.065	Frontier	93.882	Tonawanda	91.904
Jamestown	91.700	Portville	90.026	Barker	93.876	Albion	91.668
Frontier	91.318			Allegany-Limestone*	93.786	Williamsville South	91.643
Springville	91.273	BOYS GOLF		Hamburg	93.721	Dunkirk*	91.570
Hamburg	91.233	Clarence	98.229	Medina	93.669	Starpoint	91.517

NYSPHSAA Schlor/Athlete Team Award Program cont...

W.Seneca East	91.415	Fredonia	91.122	Clarence	95.259	West Seneca East	92.886
Pioneer	91.197	Grand Island	91.111	Lancaster	94.818	Amherst	92.810
Niagara Wheatfield	91.113	Pioneer	91.003	West Seneca East	94.431	Salamanca	92.639
Lewiston Porter	90.991	Cleveland Hill	90.936	Sweet Home	94.249	Niagara-Wheatfield	92.609
Fredonia*	90.514	Depew	90.892	Williamsville North	93.825	Leonardo Da Vinci	92.397
Grand Island	90.429	Wilson	90.089	Eden	93.803	Dunkirk	92.222
BOYS LACROSSE		BOYS TRACK AND FIELD		West Seneca West	93.686	Chautauqua Lake	91.436
Lockport	94.984	Clarence	97.618	Frontier	93.415	Wilson	90.851
Lancaster	93.797	Alden	96.860	Springville	93.366	Grand Island	90.750
Frontier	93.721	Hamburg	96.818	Amherst	92.837	Akron	90.608
Hamburg	93.666	Williamsville East	96.676	Williamsville East	92.698	Fredonia	90.148
West Seneca East	93.547	Depew	96.592	Lake Shore	92.010	SOFTBALL	
Clarence	93.228	Albion	96.324	Orchard Park	91.944	Albion	96.480
Eden	91.930	Williamsville North	96.009	Grand Island	91.000	Barker	95.636
Sweet Home	91.834	Lancaster	95.904	Niagara-Wheatfield	90.475	Portville	95.544
Williamsville South	91.771	Pioneer	95.822	GIRLS TENNIS		Allegany-Limestone	95.209
Amherst	91.549	Royalton Hartland	95.598	City Honors	96.035	Eden	94.311
Williamsville North	91.400	Williamsville South	95.574	GIRLS TRACK AND FIELD		Lockport	93.907
Niagara-Wheatfield	90.884	East Aurora	95.503	Clarence	98.259	Sweet Home	93.849
Grand Island	90.091	Lockport	95.351	Lockport	98.195	Clarence	93.798
Wilson	90.046	Frontier	95.266	Frontier	98.046	Cassadaga Valley	93.651
BOYS TENNIS		Medina	95.265	North Tonawanda	97.658	North Tonawanda	93.645
Medina	96.661	Allegany-Limestone	95.042	West Seneca West	97.620	Frontier	93.625
Barker	96.659	Eden	94.632	Depew	97.318	Lancaster	93.617
Williamsville South	96.644	Newfane	94.619	Falconer	97.195	Depew	93.465
Albion	96.452	Olean	94.558	Albion	97.124	Southwestern	93.123
Cassadaga Valley	96.250	Westfield	94.357	Hamburg	96.835	Williamsville East	92.997
Sweet Home	96.055	North Tonawanda	94.283	Williamsville South	96.715	Lewiston Porter	92.833
Clarence	96.053	Lake Shore	94.256	Lake Shore	96.710	Newfane	92.806
City Honors	96.000	Akron	94.217	East Aurora	96.518	West Seneca West	92.787
Newfane	95.836	Falconer	94.058	Medina	96.503	Dunkirk	92.639
West Seneca West	95.401	Springville	94.038	Williamsville North	96.492	Niagara Falls	92.636
Williamsville North	95.062	Southwestern	93.920	Alden	96.448	Williamsville South	92.621
Lake Shore	94.850	West Seneca West	93.770	Williamsville East	96.411	Akron	92.351
East Aurora	94.708	Dunkirk	93.693	Southwestern	96.385	Starpoint	92.128
Southwestern	94.682	Starpoint	93.583	Royalton Hartland	96.383	Olean	92.067
Cheektowaga	94.632	Holland	93.285	Westfield	96.353	Wilson	91.978
Starpoint	94.459	Sweet Home	93.184	Pioneer	96.328	East Aurora	91.748
Springville	94.353	Tonawanda	92.963	Newfane	96.223	Maryvale	91.567
Williamsville East	94.324	West Seneca East	92.669	Allegany-Limestone	96.183	Niagara-Wheatfield	91.480
Westfield	94.196	Barker	92.576	Starpoint	95.880	Williamsville North	91.318
Alden	94.140	Amherst	91.930	Eden	95.835	Pioneer	91.161
West Seneca East	94.024	Wilson	91.618	Maryvale	95.653	Alden	91.075
Lewiston Porter	94.010	Portville	91.145	Lancaster	95.447	Cheektowaga	91.017
Jamestown	93.697	Cleveland Hill	90.494	Sweet Home	95.299	Springville	90.991
Lockport	93.618	Grand Island	90.250	Cheektowaga	94.982	Westfield	90.979
Maryvale	93.552	Niagara-Wheatfield	90.185	Cassadaga Valley	94.929	Cattaraugus-Little Valley	90.913
Allegany-Limestone	93.467	Kenmore West	90.061	Tonawanda	94.839	West Seneca East	90.913
Frontier	93.404	BOYS VOLLEYBALL		Franklinville/Ellicottville	94.513	Grand Island	90.636
Kenmore West	92.689	Chautauqua Lake	90.010	Olean	94.495	Falconer	90.632
Falconer	92.206	GIRLS GOLF		Lewiston Porter	94.263	Cleveland Hill	90.622
Niagara-Wheatfield	91.908	Southwestern	96.106	Barker	94.161	Holland	90.575
Dunkirk	91.879	Fredonia	90.951	Kenmore West	94.112	Franklinville	90.485
Tonawanda	91.794	GIRLS LACROSSE		Portville	93.967	Fredonia	90.446
Eden	91.732	Lockport	96.404	Springville	93.674	Kenmore West	90.311
Akron	91.725	Williamsville South	95.945	West Valley	93.452	Lackawanna	90.273
Amherst	91.391	Hamburg	95.602	Cleveland Hill	93.446	Kenmore East	90.216
Hamburg	91.232	East Aurora	95.553	Holland	93.216		
Kenmore East	91.163			Kenmore East	92.928		

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NEW YORK GOOD SPORTS PROGRAM

The program continues to expand with the number of schools reporting both locally and across the state increasing yearly. Each athletic director has a responsibility to evaluate his/her respective programs of sportsmanship. The NYS Good Sports program offers a vehicle toward that end. The reporting is a self-evaluation and gives us all a chance to reflect on the many good things we have going on as well as plan for the future. Exemplary programs are then forwarded to the state level for recognition.

NYSPHSAA announced that **Cleveland Hill, Kenmore West, and Forestville High Schools** have been recognized for outstanding efforts in promoting good sportsmanship in Section VI. Each school will be honored at the September meeting of the Athletic Council. Congratulations to all!

SECTION VI COACHES SPORTSMANSHIP AWARDS 2009-10

In recognition of exemplary sportsmanship demonstrated throughout the year as leaders and role models for our athletes, a coach was selected from each league to receive a Sportsmanship plaque and a t-shirt from the Section. Honored at the Section VI Annual Recognition dinner in August were the following coaches:

League	Coach	Sports
Buffalo	Jamie Barden, Bennett	Baseball
CCAA	Jack Dugan, Forestville	Girls Volleyball
ECIC	Marissa Fallacaro, Eden	Girls Basketball
NFL	Greg Ross, Grand Island	Boys Basketball
NO	Gary Mannella, Albion	Baseball

Congratulations coaches!! (See photo on page 5)

ALL-WNY INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM RECOGNITION FOR OUTSTANDING SPORTSMANSHIP SPRING 2010

DIVISION	SCHOOL	INDIVIDUAL
BASEBALL		
NO	CSAT	Kyle Kiebzak
SOFTBALL		
CCAA 1	Gowanda	Nicole Triscuit, Southwestern
CCAA 2	Westfield	None selected
CCAA 3 East	West Valley	None selected
ECIC 1	Frontier	Carey Seeger
ECIC 2	Williamsville East	Marci Tirone
ECIC 3	Springville	Samantha Krezmien
ECIC 4	Holland	Meg DeMario
NO	Charter/Applied Technologies	Katie Smith
BOYS TRACK		
Buffalo	McKinley	Vincent Shelton
CCAA	Fredonia	Alex Wills
ECIC	Pioneer	Cody Vassar
NFL	Kenmore West	Tom Zwick
NO	Wilson	Patrick Walch

GIRLS TRACK		
Buffalo	City Honors	Breonna Norwood
CCAA	Clymer	Grace VanEarden
ECIC	Sweet Home	Katie Niblock
NFL	Kenmore West	Rachel Reitano
NO	Barker	Rachel Anderson
BOYS GOLF		
CCAA 1	All/Limestone	Scott Brady, Olean
CCAA 2 East	Ellicottville	Andy Harmon, Portville
CCAA 2 West	Sherman	Bob Rauh, Panama
CCAA 2 Central	Catt/ Little Valley	C.J. Vara, Silver Creek
ECIC	Iroquois	Kyle Jeziorski, Orchard Park
NFL	Niagara Wheatfield	Matt Petrosian, Lewiston Porter
NO	Roy – Hart	Eli Cobti, Akron
GIRLS GOLF	Fredonia	Megan Bleck

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2010-2011 SECTION VI DIRECTORY UPDATES

The Section VI has been published but changes have occurred since printing. Please mark the following changes (noted in bold) on the appropriate pages of your directory. PDF versions of the Newsletter have been emailed. Printed copies are available for \$10 – contact the Section VI office 821-7299.

- multiple West Seneca E-mail address changed to **@wscschools.org** on Pages 5, 7, 14 & 43
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