



SECTION VI *newsletter*

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Next Athletic Council Meeting

May 18, 2005 10:30 AM

Danny's South Restaurant
4300 Abbott Rd., Orchard Park

Action items:

Appointments:
Section VI Girls Rep and
Winter Sportchair Positions
(see page 5 for nominees)

Update to Section VI Bylaws regarding
requirements for the Sportchair position

Centralized Management of
Payment of Officials

Scholar/Athlete Team Awards Winter 2004-2005 State Champions

SPORT		SCHOOL	TEAM GPA
Boys Basketball	8	Jericho High School	96.338
Girls Basketball	5	Notre Dame High School	97.490
Girls Bowling	6	Clarence High School	96.171
Boys Bowling	8	George W. Hewlett High School	94.942
Ice Hockey	5	Aquinas Institute	95.110
Boys Indoor Track	1	Irvington High School	97.917
Girls Indoor Track	8	The Wheatley School	99.028
Girls Gymnastics *	6	Hamburg High School	96.257
Boys Skiing	5	Fairport High School	95.472
Girls Skiing	9	Monticello High School	96.857
Boys Swimming & Diving	8	Farmingdale High School	96.665
Wrestling	8	Massapequa High School	96.202

*fall team

See Page 3 for the complete list of all Section VI Winter Scholar/Athlete Team Award winners.



Section VI Athlete Spotlight

Mary Saxer

By Lancaster Track Coach
Chuck Friedmann



Mary Saxer, a senior honor student and scholar athlete at Lancaster High School, exhibits the ideal combination to be found in a student, the highest achievement in both scholastics and athletics. She honors herself, her team, and her school as she highlights this positive relationship between scholarship and athletics.

I consider her to be Lancaster's greatest track and field athlete. She is a champion sprinter, as well, who owns the sprints on her high school record board. Lancaster High School's track and field program has supported and helped develop Mary's athletic and scholastic potential but her

personal pole vault coach, Rick Suhr, who runs his own pole vault training program, is especially responsible for her pole vault achievements. After much thought and many choices, Mary decided to attend Notre Dame after graduation.

Saxer's Accomplishments:

Indoor Track (as of March 2004)

Mary finished the indoor track season as NYSPHAA and Federation Long Jump Champion and was National Scholastic Indoor Track Champion with a 19'-3 1/4" jump. She was second in the NSIC pole vault with a 12'-5 1/4" vault.

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NEWS FROM THE STATE OFFICE



2005 Coaches Clinics

Soccer @ Soccer Hall of Fame, Oneonta –

May 20, 2005

Volleyball @ SUNY Oneonta – June 17, 2005

A meeting is scheduled for June 20 to plan a wrestling coaches clinic prior to the 2005-06 season.

Good Sports Program and Awards

Schools sent assessments to Section Coordinators by April 15. Coordinators sent a list of schools deserving awards to Lloyd Mott by May 10. The Committee to select schools to be recognized with the banner meets May 12. In the future, the assessment forms will be posted on the website for coordinators to download and distribute to schools. Letters of introduction with directions will be emailed to coordinators to share with Athletic Directors and Superintendents.

Safety

Reports of MRSA (Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus) being found in athletes not in a hospital environment have stimulated much discussion. Mark Donnelly, Section 7 Safety rep, reported that the wrestling team at West Point Military Academy had a serious problem with infection to wrestlers. This will be further investigated by Mark, Dr. John O'Bryan and Doug Sackett (Safety Committee Liaisons). The state Safety Committee is interested in methods to prevent the spread of such diseases. Their findings will be shared.

Baseball/Softball

Coaches are reminded to complete the injury surveys on the state website. Click on surveys.

Swimming

Approval was given to Girls and Boys Swimming to participate in the NFHS experimental no-recall rule for 2005-06, that the athlete who false starts will not be recalled, but instead would be disqualified after the race is completed.

Volleyball

The following requests were **approved** at the state meeting May 6:

- The continued use of USA Volleyball rules for 2005-2007
- Change the date for the implementation of the USA Uniform Rule from Nov. 1, 2006 to Sept. 1, 2009
- Waiver of the NCAA warm-up protocol leaving the rule as it had been that the teams can warm-up behind or adjacent to the court during the warm-up period (Rule 9, Section 1, Article 2, page 41-42)

Handbook

The following changes were approved May 6:

- Transfer(p.74) Exemptions #1 add "and can substantiate that they are independent and self-supporting"

- Representation (P.69) Add after last sentence "School districts may submit a written request to the section for adjustment of contests for individual participants"

NCAA Eligibility Standards

Frequently Asked Questions regarding NCAA Initial Eligibility rules which have changed, can be accessed from the state website. Click on Related Links, then NCAA.

Selection Classification

New standards from SED are now posted on the state website. Click on Related Links, then NYSED and enter Selection classification in the search.

Scholar Athlete Team Award

The Spring 2004 -2005 application deadline is Friday, May 20, 2005

Reminders

- **Dues increase for 2005-06:** Association dues will be increasing for the 2005-06 school year. The base district fee will increase \$50 to \$650 and the per-pupil cost will rise \$.05 to \$.70 per student (over 300) in grades 7-12.
- Future meeting dates:

Aug. 3-5, 2005	Hyatt, Long Island
Oct. 23-24, 2005	Holiday Inn Turf, Albany
Jan. 27-28, 2006	Prime Hotel, Saratoga
May 5-6, 2006	Holiday Inn, Syracuse
Aug. 9-11, 2006	Holiday Inn, Grand Island

Softball Face Masks

At the January Executive Committee it was approved to waive the NOCSAE approved face mask requirement for the 2005 season. Schools **MAY** permit the student athletes to wear batting helmets with attached face masks. This waiver was requested due to limited availability of NOCSAE approved facemasks and the late notification of the "NOCSAE approved" requirement. Schools should be prepared to outfit all softball teams with NOCSAE approved facemasks for the 2006 season.

Classification Cut-Off Numbers 2005-2006

Reminder: The five classification cut off numbers will change for next year. They are located in the NYSPHSAA Handbook on page 145. They will be:
 Class AA: 950 – up, Class A: 550 – 949,
 Class B: 325 – 549, Class C: 193 – 324,
 Class D: 192 – below

Boys Lacrosse Championship Finals

The site for the June 4, 2005 Finals has been moved to Cornell University (4) with housing for the teams available at Ithaca College.

Mary Saxer

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Outdoor Track (as of June 2004)

Her jump of 19'-5 1/2" earned her the title of NYSPHAA and Federation Outdoor Track Long Jump Champion, and a record for Section VI. At the same time she placed second in the pole vault with a vault of 12'-3". At the Adidas Outdoor National Track and Field Championships held at North Carolina State in June, Mary earned All-American honors for her fourth place finish in the pole vault with an effort of 11'-11 3/4" and her sixth place long jump of 18'-6".

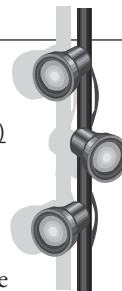
Indoor Track (as of March 2005)

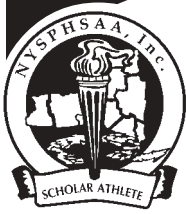
Mary set her first national high school record in the pole vault at the Dartmouth Relays on January 8, 2005 where she became the first US high school female to clear a monumental 14'-0" indoors or out. She placed second in the long jump with 18'-5 1/2". She also led her 2 x 200 M relay team to a sixth place and helped her team place second of fifty-one Northeast high schools. After a special invitation, she competed on February 4 in the Millrose Games in Madison Square Garden, the top indoor meet in America.

At the NYSPHSAA competition, Mary was a rare double winner. She won the pole vault with 13'-5" and the long jump, resetting the indoor section long jump record to 19'-2". At the National Scholastic Indoor Track & Field Championship (NSIC), she was the pole vault champion and then reset the national pole vault record to 14'-2" at the Nike Indoor National Championship (NIN). This is the best vault ever in the world by a female 17&under and a USTAF 19&under record. Presently she is ranked 5th of all vaulters in the US including Olympians.

Mary has been featured in the New York Times and was one of Sport's Illustrated Faces in the Crowd in February. Some have her pegged for the 2008 Summer Games in Beijing or perhaps the 2012 games in New York City.

Congratulations and best wishes for continued success in all your endeavors Mary!!!





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 Results - Winter 2005

Boys Basketball

Southwestern	95.667
Royalton-Hartland	94.580
Hamburg	94.429
Barker	94.366
Cleveland Hill	93.916
Medina	93.910
Williamsville East	93.729
Allegany-Limestone	93.586
Pine Valley Central	93.049
Clarence	93.009
Iroquois	93.000
Cattaraugus-Little Valley	92.507
East Aurora	92.413
Pioneer	91.809
Lockport	91.786
Falconer	91.418
Portville	91.330
Springville	91.274
North Tonawanda	91.214
Akron	91.181
Kenmore West	91.178
Olean	91.129
Frontier	90.887
Depew	90.800
John F. Kennedy	90.545
City Honors	90.483
Lake Shore	90.429
Holland	90.336
Wilson	90.224
Chautauqua Lake	90.178
Fredonia	90.050

Boys Bowling

Sweet Home	94.437
Lancaster	93.266
Alden	93.264
Frontier	93.147
Iroquois	92.784
Eden	92.471
West Seneca West	92.106
Hamburg	91.800
Falconer	91.677
Brocton	91.649
Williamsville North	90.940
Tonawanda	90.921
Williamsville East	90.761
Pioneer	90.753
North Tonawanda	90.683
Depew	90.471
Lockport	90.329
Clarence	90.306

Boys Indoor Track

Frontier	96.296
Newfane	93.972
Maryvale	93.792

Clarence	93.517
Kenmore East	93.311
Williamsville North	93.149
Kenmore West	92.371
Springville	91.882
Lockport	91.658
Iroquois	91.567
Hamburg	91.425
Sweet Home	91.381
Depew	90.617

Boys Swimming & Diving

Hamburg	94.973
East Aurora	94.514
Lockport	93.900
Clarence	93.700
Williamsville East	93.505
Olean	93.382
Niagara-Wheatfield	93.273
Eden	92.845
Iroquois	92.771
Sweet Home	92.420
Williamsville North	92.378
Frontier	92.091
Kenmore West	91.915
Tonawanda	91.401
Southwestern	91.362
Medina	91.165
Newfane	91.052
Alden	90.973
Albion	90.914
Cleveland Hill	90.878
Fredonia	90.488
City Honors	90.251
Grand Island	90.194
West Seneca West & East	90.193
Lancaster	90.075

Girls Basketball

Wilson	97.104
Niagara-Wheatfield	97.000
Ellicottville	96.967
North Tonawanda	96.857
Southwestern	96.416
East Aurora	96.271
Medina	96.167
Cattaraugus-Little Valley	96.046
Frontier	95.563
Sweet Home	95.297
Barker	94.932
Orchard Park	94.930
Akron	94.922
Lockport	94.829
Jamestown	94.665
Allegany-Limestone	94.614
Williamsville North	94.530
Depew	94.486

Iroquois	94.471
Pioneer	94.468
Westfield	94.321
Alden	94.300
Cleveland Hill	94.132
Lancaster	94.103
Pine Valley	93.938
Hamburg	93.914
Olean	93.914
Brocton	93.367
Cassadaga Valley	93.307
Springville	93.137
Albion	92.946
West Seneca East	92.863
Maryvale	92.814
Williamsville East	92.809
Clarence	92.283
Fredonia	92.203
Tonawanda	92.134
Kenmore East	92.057
Newfane	91.877
Falconer	91.492
John F. Kennedy	91.284
Salamanca	91.171
Kenmore West	91.136
Amherst Central	91.008
Lake Shore	91.000
Cheektowaga	90.971
Holland	90.962
West Valley	90.748
North Collins	90.714
Hutchinson Tech	90.419
Grand Island	90.251

Girls Bowling

Clarence	96.171
Frontier	95.744
Holland	95.172
Williamsville East	94.824
Iroquois	94.816
Williamsville North	94.644
West Seneca West	94.521
Cheektowaga	94.429
Maryvale	93.714
North Tonawanda	93.320
Depew	93.286
Sweet Home	93.280
East Aurora	92.991
Cleveland Hill	92.806
West Seneca East	92.761
Lockport	92.643
Kenmore West	91.387
Tonawanda	90.770
Lancaster	90.504
Kenmore East	90.257
Olean	90.143

Girls Indoor Track

Hamburg	96.158
Lockport	95.700
Frontier	95.559
Williamsville North	95.417
Williamsville East	95.125
Depew	94.992
Kenmore West	94.224
Iroquois	93.994
Clarence	93.920
West Seneca West	93.827
Clarence	93.546
Springville	93.322
Sweet Home	93.283
Lake Shore	92.937
Pioneer	92.565
John F. Kennedy	92.345
Kenmore East	91.924
Maryvale	91.492
Newfane	91.073
Cheektowaga	90.600

Girls Swimming & Diving

Medina	95.754
Royalton-Hartland	95.584
Albion	95.379
Newfane	92.261
Akron	91.676
City Honors	91.326
Barker	90.839

Ice Hockey

Sweet Home	93.601
Williamsville North	93.586
Frontier	92.973
Kenmore West	90.039

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Clarence	96.181
Kenmore West	96.108
Lancaster	93.817
Alden	93.150
Kenmore East	90.345

Wrestling

Southwestern	94.413
Williamsville North	93.535
Clarence	93.406
East Aurora	93.277
Williamsville East	93.251
Lancaster	93.232
Iroquois	91.870
Albion	91.749
Depew	91.030
Kenmore East	90.750
Sweet Home	90.196
Kenmore West	90.053



Niagara Falls Takes NYSPHSAA and Federation Crowns

Niagara Falls Boys Basketball, the Number One Ranked Large School in Western New York (Buffalo News Poll), won the New York State and Federation Class AA Championships with final record of 28-1. MVP Paul Harris netted 19 points and grabbed 8 rebounds to lead Niagara Falls to a 69-58 victory over New Rochelle, Section 1, in the NYSPHSAA boys basketball Class AA tournament. The Wolverines Greg Gamble added 11 points for Niagara Falls, while Jonathan Flynn and Robert Garrison each netted 10 points. In the NYS Federation Tournament of Champions, Robert Garrison and Paul Harris teamed up for 37 points to lead Niagara Falls to a 68-65 victory over Xaverian (CHSAA). Garrison finished the game with 20 points and 5 assists, while Harris tallied 17 points, 15 rebounds and 8 assists. James Starks added 12 points, while Greg Gamble chipped in with 7 points and 14 boards for the Wolverines.

On the national scene, NFHS finished #3 in the USA Today poll as well as #1 in the Hoops USA poll. NFHS's only loss was a 3 point overtime loss to Vashon (MO) who was ranked #1 in the country at that time in the Primetime Shootout in NJ. The Wolverines won the prestigious City of Palms Tourney in December defeating several top ranked teams. Paul Harris led the team in scoring with 19 points, 12 rebounds and 5 assists. NFHS also won the Cataract City Classic held in Niagara Falls defeating a then undefeated Schenectady team, making them a four-time Cataract City Classic Champion. Other prominent victories for the Wolverines include teams such as Buchtel, Ohio, St. Edwards, Ohio, Jamesville Dewitt, Syracuse and East HS, Rochester (twice).

Paul Harris, 6'5" Guard/Forward, ranked 20th nationally, is now a 2-time Western New York Player of the Year. Harris, Greg Gamble, 6'3" Forward, and Rob Garrison 6'1" Point Guard are First Team All Western New York. Jonathan Flynn is Second Team. Greg will play next year at the State University of New York at Buffalo on a full college scholarship. Rob has received offers from Boston University, Lehigh, Binghamton, Canisius, and Robert Morris. James Starks, 6'3" Guard/Forward and all Western New York Football selection, is the team's best overall athlete with a combination of size, speed and strength that makes him a force on the court. He is going to the State University of New York at Buffalo on a football scholarship. Other team members include Tyrell Douglass, James Bennett, Kendall Davis, Tyrell Lynch, Anthony Marshall, and Marcel and Miguel Respress. Coach Dan Bazzani is a member of the District Sports Hall of Fame for his own athletic accomplishments. Assistant Coaches include Bob Stone and Sal Constantino.

Pine Valley Lady Panther Basketball 3-Peat State Champions!

By Tim Nobles



At our banquet in May 2004, the Pine Valley Lady Panther Basketball Team was honored for winning their second NYSPHSAA Class D State Championship in a row. The challenge was presented: "Three Peat?". It took much work and difficult times to achieve our success in 2004, but it was shortly after that challenge that we began our quest for the 2005 State Championship. Our third in a row.

The Pine Valley Lady Panther Basketball Program has a rich tradition of success. Since 1988 (17 years), the Lady Panther's have won 15 League Championships, appeared in 16 Section VI Championships, won 9 Western Regional Championships and 7 State Championships.

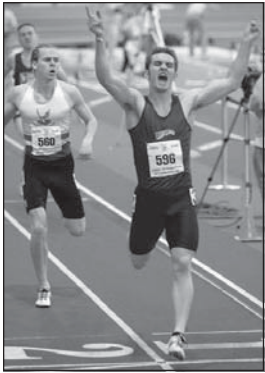
The questions posed are "how can you be so lucky every year?" or "what do you feed those girls at Pine Valley?". First, we at Pine Valley have a "program", not just a team. We start our girls off young and are consistent with the things that we teach. We have several philosophies that we follow at all levels. The first one is: Practice equals Success which leads to Confidence which leads to more Success. We work on skills which will help individuals do good things on the court. When they experience a degree of success, they start believing in themselves and their abilities, which brings even greater success. We also tell the girls often that basketball is a TEAM sport and each individual needs her teammates to achieve their goals. A Lady Panther has to believe not only in herself, but also in her teammates. A third philosophy is "play the game hard". Players shouldn't be concerned with the score, but with doing their best.

A team is created to achieve what an individual cannot. The 2005 edition of the Lady Panthers was comprised of Seniors: Justina Troutman, Bryelle Cortright, Jennifer Farley, Jamie Reynolds, Ashley Weiss and Katie Reynolds; Juniors: Brianna Colburn, Rachel Johnson, Amanda Hillebert, Lyndsay Foster, Dakota Hirschman-Stankey, Kim Lincoln and Alexis Gadra; Sophomores: Deanna Schmittendorf and Kaliene Hallett and Freshman: Jessica Farley.

Our team also included our group of managers: Jenna Austin, Katie Swanson, Jillian Brunswick, Amanda Isula, Morgon Stearns and

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Section VI Indoor Track State Champions



Justin Craddock, a senior at Kenmore East High School, won the 600 meters at the NYSPHSAA Indoor Track meet at the Carrier Dome in Syracuse on March 5, 2005.

His time 1:20.59 is a new Section VI record. At the National Scholastic Indoor Championships at the Armory in NYC, he won the 800 meters, breaking the Indoor state record. This was the #4 indoor performance all-time and ranks him #1 in the country at this time.

Justin, coached by Geoff Brunger, owns school records in Indoor Track for the Long Jump, 300, 600, 1000, 4 x 2 relay, 4 x 4 relay, 4 x 8 relay and in Outdoor Track & Field for the 400. He also excels academically having been on several of Kenmore East's NYSPHSAA Scholar-Athlete teams for Cross Country, Indoor Track and Outdoor Track. After graduation, Justin plans to attend college at either Kansas State, Texas A & M, Eastern Michigan or Kentucky.



Cory Pixley, a senior at Pioneer High School, took 1st place in the High Jump at the NYSPHSAA State Championship with a height of 6'4". As a junior, Cory won the Section

VI Championship Title with his best jump of the season 6'6".

Cory is Coach Mary Doud's first State Champion!! He is the son of Vicki Goldsmith of Delevan, NY and John Pixley of Franklinville, NY.

Lancaster Athlete Wins Two State Medals for Indoor Track

At Syracuse University's Carrier Dome, Lancaster High School's **Mary Saxer** surprised no one by leading the pole vault which she won with a 13'-5" vault. She narrowly missed an attempt at breaking her own national record, at that time, of 14 feet. Shortly before she was called to the vault, she reset her section record in the long jump with a winning leap of 19'-2". That made her a double winner in the state championship competition and a three-time state long jump champion!

Mary is coached by Kevin Carriero, Indoor Track, Rick Suhr, Pole Vault and Chuck Friedman, Outdoor Track. (See *Section VI Athlete Spotlight* on page 1).

Nominations Being Accepted

Section VI positions open for nominations are: Girls Rep to the Central Committee and all Winter Sport Chairperson positions. Any member in good standing of the professional staff of a member school may serve in these positions. Appointments will be made at the Athletic Council meeting May 18. The Girls Rep will serve a term of four years beginning Sept. 1, 2005. The Winter Chairpersons will be appointed for a three-year term to expire June 30, 2008. Current nominees are:

Basketball (B) - James Walker
Basketball (G) - Leo Kaminsky
Bowling (G) - John Zloty, Lockport
Bowling (B) Co-chairs - L. Marcantonio, T. Berdzik
Ice Hockey - Brett Banker, Kenton
Swimming (B) - Ron Zugelder, Lockport
Indoor Track (B) - Pete Szymanski, JFK
Indoor Track (G) - Emilio Mancino, W. Seneca West
Wrestling Co-Chairs - Mike DeBarbieri, Portville and Israel Martinez, Niagara Falls

Please forward all nominations to the Section VI office, 355 Harlem Rd., West Seneca, NY 14224 cszczesny@e1b.org

Pine Valley Champions! *continued from page 4*

Allison Nobles. We hope that the experience of this year will inspire these young Lady Panthers to continue the traditions. The wonderful coaches who played an important role in our success include Paula Troutman, Mark Chase and Nikki Smith. Jennifer Cave who took the year off with her new baby (Brody) supported us from afar. A special thank-you goes to Doug Zanghi whose help over the year(s) has been huge. Another saying we use: "If everyone brings something to the table we all will feast". What a great group of people we had this year. Together we accomplished a lot.

This year's team believed in the philosophies of the Lady Panther Basketball Program. The coach from our Western Regional competitor (Elba) said that Pine Valley was a team "without egos". This truly characterizes our team. The girls did not care about individual success or who scored the points, as long as the "TEAM" played "LADY PANTHER BASKETBALL". Each of the following received some special recognition: Justina Troutman, Bryelle Cortright, Jennifer Farley, Jamie Reynolds, Ashley Weiss, Brianna Colburn and Jessica Farley. The various honors they received included All-Star Teams for the Division III, Western New York, New York State, tournament awards/all-stars, as well as radio and newspaper honors.

The great attitude of our girls played a pivotal role. They believed they could "score on teams", "shut down opponents" and "cause turnovers". I was amazed in our team's confidence. They did not cringe when they faced great players or teams whose entire line-ups were taller than any or our starters. All year they faced challenges, and because they believed.....they achieved. They are NYSPHSAAA Class D State Champions!

Section VI Successfully Defends State Rifle Crown (.22 cal)

The Section 6 rifle team successfully defended its rifle crown by firing a score of 1655.67 and edging out Section 8 and their total of 1650.67 in the sectional competition at the State Regionals held at West Point on March 5, 2005. Firing on the Sectional team were: Rebecca Gerevics (Alden) - 287.16, Meghan Seitz (Al) - 285.14, Deven



L to R: Deven McMaster, Ken Krueger, Julie Schaefer, Mike Barone, Rebecca Gerevics, Chris Koss and Meghan Seitz

McMaster (Ken East) - 276.11, Chris Koss (Clarence) - 276.09, Ken Krueger (Al) - 270.06 and Mike Barone (Al) - 261.06. Julie Schaefer (Al), team alternate fired a 257.07. Despite firing a score of 1103 (22 pts higher than their winning score of 2004), the Alden H.S. team finished in 2nd place in the high school competition.

Five of this year's team members were on the winning 2004 team. The 2004 team won the sectional competition with a score of 1623.44 and again edged out Section 8 with a score of 1620.052. Firing on the 2004 team - Seitz - 284.07, Krueger - 276.08, McMaster - 273.11 Gerevics - 266.06 and Mike Barone - 255.05. The 6th team member was Joe Bromley (Ken East) - 269.07. Gerevics is a 10th grader and Krueger an 11th grader. The remaining members of the team are seniors.

Gerevics won 2nd aggregate (total-3 position), 2nd prone, 5th offhand and 1st kneeling
Seitz won: 4th aggregate, 4th prone, 6th offhand and 2nd kneeling
McMaster won: 8th aggregate, 3rd prone and 8th offhand
Koss won: 9th aggregate, 10th offhand and 8th kneeling
Krueger won 12th aggregate, 9th offhand and 9th kneeling.

Kane Smith's Road to his Second State Title

In the 2004 wrestling season, **Kane Smith** of Salamanca High School, won the state title at 189 lbs and was undefeated with a 43-0 record. He became Salamanca's first ever state champion. He then went on to place 5th in the nation at the Brute-Adidas Nationals held at the University of Nebraska. This past summer Kane won the gold medal at the empire state games. This season, Kane successfully defended his first state title by defeating:

1st round: Jake Austin of Section III 12-1 Semi's: Mark Bailey of Section IV Fall 1:19
2nd round: Shane Spence of Section XI TF 15-0 Finals: Nick Clark of Section V 8-3

This was Smith's and Clark's second meeting of the year as they met in the Finals of the Salamanca Tournament back in February, with Smith winning 7-3. Kane again finished undefeated with a record of 44-0. His career record is 201-43

Kane is only the second wrestler in Salamanca history to go over 200 wins. Victor Arena was the other with 217.

At the Senior Nationals in Cleveland in early April, Kane wrestled at 189 lbs, which was perhaps the toughest weight class in the tournament as 11 nationally ranked wrestlers competed. He won his first match over Brian Markway (MO) by a pin in 4:34, but lost 7-0 to Hudson Taylor (NJ) who was ranked 4th in the nation. In the wrestle backs, he beat Jake Crandford (OR) 5-1, ranked 11th in the nation and then defeated Scott Sands (IL) also 5-1. In his next match Kane lost 7-2 to Kelsey Empting (OK), ranked 9th nationally. Overall, he won 3 matches and lost 2 so he did not place, but what an honor to be able to wrestle at that level. Kane is coached by Rich Morton



Rebecca Gerevics – State Rifle Kneeling Champion

Rebecca Gerevics, a 10th grader at Alden High School, fired a 99-7C in the kneeling position to win the State Kneeling Crown at the regional match at West Point on March 05, 2005. Rebecca fired an aggregate score of 287-16C, 99.08C prone, 89.01C offhand and 99.07C kneeling. Her aggregate (total, three position) score tied Mu Tang's (Valley Stream) aggregate score, but Rebecca lost first place overall on a tie breaker. (Mu Tang fired a 92 in the offhand position to win the tie breaker). Besides her 1st place finish kneeling and 2nd place aggregate, Rebecca also won 2nd place prone and 5th place offhand. Her kneeling score was a state record.



Rebecca, an honor student at Alden, is in her second year of shooting for the Bulldog rifle team. She received her scholar athlete pin from the NYSPHSAA this year at the winter sports night on March 8. As a 9th grader, Rebecca was on Alden's State Winning team where she fired a 266 (12th place). This year, she had the 2nd best average on the team (277.25) and the second best in the league. Her best match this year was in the sectionals, where she fired an aggregate score of 288.11C in .22 cal rifle and 186.06C in air rifle and set three sectional records. Her aggregate record was a sectional record. It broke the old record of 287.06C set by Alden's Brian Curtis in 1990 and tied by Kenmore East's Adam D'Ambrosio in 1991. Her second record - offhand - 94.02 also broke the record (92.02) fired by Curtis in 1990 and tied by teammate Megan Seize in 2004. Her third record was in air rifle where her 186.06 surpassed Kris Wilkin's score of 185.05C fired in 2003. Rebecca is coached by Paul Borkowski.



Back row: Matt Mazgaj. Center row: Assistant Coach Trevor Burlingame, Dusty Truver, Shane Uber, Mikel Bush. Front row: Head Coach Mark Hetrick.

Southwestern Wrestlers Excel at State Championships

By Coach Mark Hetrick

The Southwestern Wrestling team finished the season as the No. 1 ranked Small School in Western New York and won the Division 1 league title by sweeping league foes Fredonia, Falconer, and Salamanca. And what the Trojans did following the regular season was become one of the most successful postseason wrestling squads in recent history.

Southwestern ran away with the Class AA team title and also sent seven of its 15 wrestlers to the Section 6 Qualifiers. At the Section 6 tournament the Trojans placed six of their seven wrestlers in the finals and four of them won to advance to the New York State Public High School Athletic Association state championships at the Pepsi Arena in Albany.

Once there, the four Southwestern wrestlers shined as **Matt Mazgaj** repeated as the 215-pound state champion for Division 2 with a dominating win over Cooperstown's Brendan Hill in the finals. **Shane Uber** and **Dusty Truver** both cruised into the finals at 152 and 135 respectively, before losing tough decisions to finish as runners-up. And **Junior Mikel Bush** took 5th place at 171lbs. after winning his first two matches of the weekend.

For their efforts, the Trojans finished with the most points among Small Schools in the state and were crowned 2005 NYS Division 2 Team Champions. This was the school's first NYS Team championship.

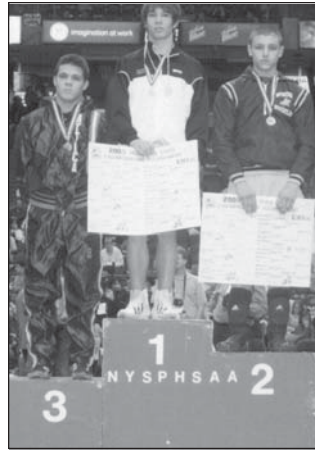
Matt Mazgaj ended his season with a 40-3 record (130-28 career) and also became Southwestern's first ever two-time state champion. Dusty Truver ended his career with a record of 151-24, which set the SWCS career win record. This wrestling team is by far one of the most successful wrestling squads in recent history. What a wonderful way to end the 2004-05 season...NYSPHSAA Division 2 Team Champions!

Michael Aris Brings State Title to Barker

Barker's varsity wrestler **Michael Aris** was crowned the NY State Champ in the 130-pound weight class at the NYSPHSAA Championships in Albany on March 5, 2005.

In the 2004-05 season, Mike Aris, a junior at Barker High School, earned a 41-2 win/loss record. He was named to the all tournament team at Churchville Chili dual meet tournament, took first place at the Akron, Lockport, and Depew Tournaments and 4th place at the Niagara Frontier Wrestling Officials Tournament, where he recorded Barker's first ever 100th career wins.

But Mr. Aris saved his best performances for the post-season earning his second Niagara-Orleans League Championship with a first period pin in the finals. At Ripley in the Class "A" Divisional Tournament he continued with his outstanding performance by defeating a Frewsburg wrestler 17-7 in the finals, and earning the Most Outstanding Wrestler Award for the tournament. At the Ralph Wilson Field House, Division II State Qualifier Wrestling Tournament for Section VI, Mike continued with an opening round pin over a Portville wrestler. In the semi-finals, he defeated a Medina wrestler 6-2 and went on in the finals to major decision a Southwestern



Wrestler 17-8 that was currently ranked #1 in Western New York. Mike's surprising upset earned him his second Most Outstanding Wrestler Award in the post season.

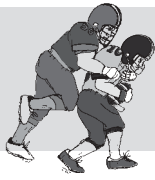
In Albany, NY at the Pepsi Arena for the NYSPHSAA Wrestling State Tournament, after a bye in the opening round, he wrestled a Section VII wrestler first. Mike had a commanding 5-2 lead when he put his opponent to his back for a third period

pin. His Semi-Finals match was victorious again with a 6-2 win against a Section III wrestler. In the finals, Mike was taken down in the opening period until the end of the period against a Section IV wrestler from Windsor. He scored with a reversal to tie the match, 2-2. Mike's opponent, choosing the bottom position after winning the toss, scored a quick reversal to go up, 4-2. Mike again, battled back at the end of the 2nd period with a reversal to tie the score at 4-4. In the 3rd period Mike took bottom and the Section IV Windsor wrestler rode him out for a good minute. After attempting several reversals with no change of position, Mike battled for a late escape to go up 5-4. With fifteen seconds left in the match Mike held on for Barker's first ever State Championship Title. Mike Aris is coached by Bill Bruning.

Dates to Remember

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| May 6-7 | State Executive Committee Meeting, Holiday Inn, Liverpool |
| May 16 | Deadline for All-WNY Spring Scholar Athlete applications to the Section office |
| May 16 | Vendor presentations in response to Erie 1 BOCES RFP; Central payment/assigning of officials |
| May 18 | Athletic Council Meeting, 10:30 AM Danny's South, 4300 Abbott Rd., Orchard Park |
| May 20 | Deadline for NYSPHSAA Spring Scholar/Athlete Team Award Applications |
| May 20 | Soccer Coaching Clinic at Hall of Fame, Oneonta |
| May 30 | Good Sports Assessments to State |
| June 15 | Executive Committee Meeting, Distance Learning |
| June 16-24 | Regents Examinations |
| June 17 | Volleyball Coaching Clinic at SUNY Oneonta |
| Aug. 3-5 | State Central Committee Meeting, Windham Wind Watch, Long Island |





Always a winner...



by Doug Ames, Section VI Sportsmanship Coordinator
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Congratulations to the All WNY Individual & Team Recognition For Outstanding Sportsmanship WINTER 2004 – 2005

Boys' Basketball

ECIC – I	West Seneca West	Tom Malczewski
ECIC – II	Pioneer	Chad Pierce
ECIC – III	Williamsville South	Steve Allen
ECIC – IV	JFK	Tom Kowalski
NO	Barker	Mike Booth
MSGR MARTIN	Timon St. Jude	Nick DiPalma

Girl's Basketball

BUFFALO	McKinley	Gina Apa
CHAUT. – 1	Allegany Limestone	Marilee Engel
CHAUT. – 2	Silver Creek	Kayla Carsaro
CATTARAUGUS	NO TEAM	Brittany Martin
ECIC – 1	Williamsville North	Jamie Greibner
ECIC – 2	Amherst	Jodi Battaglia
ECIC – 3	Depew	Nicole Marlinski
ECIC – 4	Eden	Jenna May
NFL	Kenmore West	Lauren Licata
NO	Albion	Janessa Vandegriff
MSGR MARTIN	Cardinal O'Hara	Melissa Kanalley

Boy's Bowling

BUFFALO	Leonardo da Vinci	Desmond Hill
CHAUTAUQUA	Randolph	John Bradshaw
CATTARAUGUS	Allegany-Limestone	Chris Hale
NFL	Niagara Wheatfield	Vinny Ciffa

Girl's Bowling

BUFFALO	Buff. Acad. Perf. Arts	Mallory Tross
CATTARAUGUS	Olean	Colleen Kelly
ECIC	Sweet Home	Andrea Rohring
NFL	Lew-Port	Elizabeth Slaiman
MSGR MARTIN	Mt. St. Mary's	Tina Skibinski

Ice Hockey

FEDERATION - White	Williamsville East	Jason Tartick
FEDERATION - Blue	Kenmore East	Kyle Wagner
FEDERATION - Red	Frontier	Matt Krypel

Boy's Indoor Track

North	Kenmore East	Jack Dafgard
South	Frontier	John Diggins

Girl's Indoor Track

North	Williamsville South	Allyssa Hahn
South	West Seneca West	Alison Lewis

Rifle

ECIC	Clarence	Chris Koss
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Boy's Swimming

BUFFALO	McKinley	Andrew Seltz
CHAUT	Southwestern	Colby
Chamberlain		
ECIC – 1	Clarence	Carl Anderson
CATT	Fredonia	Chas Hannum
NFL	Lockport	Kris Fisher
NO	Albion	Dustin Davies
	Barker	Mike Pyra

Girl's Swimming

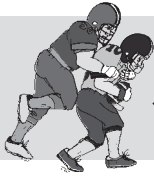
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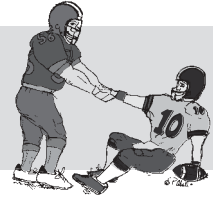
CCIAA. – 1	Gowanda	Jake Davis
CCIAA – 2	Cassadaga Valley	Steve Shoup
CCIAA – 3	Ripley	Scott Johnston
ECIC – 1	Jamestown	Jon Bernard
ECIC – 2	Lake Shore	Jim Michael
ECIC – 3	NO RESPONSE	
NFL	Grand Island	
NO	Barker	Mike Aris
MSGR MARTIN	St. Joe's	Mike Rozborski

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News from the State

The NYSPSHAA Sportsmanship Committee at the March 2005 meeting, identified Hazing as a serious concern that we should all address locally. Hazing as you know, was or still is in some circles, viewed as a right of passage for upperclassman initiating membership to respective teams whether varsity, junior varsity or even modified squads. This also includes clubs or organizations within the school district.

National publicity has been drawn to several very serious cases involving athletic participants during the past few years. The "Safe Schools Act" protects all individuals from this type of harassment and school officials and coaches will be held "accountable" for breaches of individual rights through hazing incidents.

The State Association will provide training for sections or districts with 100 or more participants. Those interested should contact Assistant Director Lloyd Mott of the NYSPSHAA (518) 439-8873 (lmott@nysphsaa.org) or Section VI Sportsmanship Coordinator Doug Ames at Newfane (716) 778-6376 for more details.

We are in the process of setting up a Hazing workshop for June 16th in the Dunkirk area for all members of Section VI to address this issue for the school year 2005 –2006. Keep this date available! Details to follow....

Random Acts of Good Sportsmanship

Each of us has recognized individual acts of good sportsmanship by players, coaches, and/or officials that we deem noteworthy. Take the time to forward this information to Sportsmanship Coordinator, Douglas Ames, so that he can recognize these individuals and what they represent!



To Spring Sport Chairpersons

Please turn in ALL WNY Good Sport selections to Douglas Ames in a timely matter at season's end. These are student athletes that certainly deserve the recognition, but it can only be done with your cooperation.

"Life of an Athlete" Workshop

If any member schools have presented the workshop *Life of an Athlete*, I would be interested to know how it was perceived! Did you find the CD user friendly? Were the handouts and materials easy to access? How long was your presentation? "What changes would you make" Why? E-mail me (coachncs@adelphia.net) with comments so I can take it to the May 16th Chemical Health State Committee Meeting for discussion, as John Underwood will be in attendance.

Time out for a sport thought...

- At your team meeting after the game, do you mention the little things that were positive? Or do you start with the negatives???
- Think of the most glamorous part of your sport: scoring in basketball, throwing a touchdown pass in football, throwing a "no-hitter" in softball, or spiking the ball in volleyball. Then describe all of the little things that make it possible!
- What kind of things can you do to make sure that competition among teammates is "healthy"?

2005 NYSAAA Award Recipients

Section VI extends congratulations to the following recipients of 2005 Chapter VI NYS Athletic Administrators Association Awards.

Pat Burke, Lockport - Athletic Administrators Award

Leonard Kosobucki - Distinguished Service Award

John Murphy - Community Service Award

Kathy Gearhart, Orchard Park – Judith Martens Secretarial Award

The awards were presented at the NYSAAA Conference in March. Anyone wishing information about the Chapter VI Athletic Administrators Association may call Timm Slade, Chapter Rep 677-3144.

PATRICK M. BURKE

Athletic Administrators Award



Pat Burke is a 1980 graduate of SUNY Brockport where he majored in physical education and athletic administration. During his years at Brockport, Pat was a member of the varsity baseball team for all four years. He was selected as a captain his sophomore, junior, and senior years. He was a first team all-conference selection in his junior and senior seasons. Pat's

name can be found in the Brockport baseball all-time record book in ten different categories.

Upon graduation from Brockport, Pat played baseball professionally for one season in Amsterdam, Holland. Upon his return to the states, he was hired as a physical education teacher in the Barker Central Schools (1983). In 1984 he accepted the added duties of the Director of Athletics at Barker. In 1988, after earning his SDA from Niagara University, Pat moved on to Medina Central Schools as the high school assistant Principal/Director of P.E. and Athletics. He worked at Medina until he accepted the job of Director of Health, Physical Education and Athletics at his alma mater, Lockport City Schools, the job he holds today.

His commitment to children and athletics reaches far beyond the walls of Lockport High School. Pat has served Section VI in many different roles over the years. He has been a member of the Athletic Council since 1986, the Transfer Rules committee since 1993, the Sectional/Intersectional committee since 1986 and the Computer Scheduling committee since 2002. He is currently a member of the board of directors of the Lockport YMCA (since 1999), the advisory board for the Niagara Community College health and physical education studies advisory board (since 1997), the Niagara Falls Police Athletic League girls basketball executive committee (since 2001). He has also served on the board of directors for the An-Jo baseball league and the Kenan youth recreation commission.

Pat has served the NYSAAA in many roles over the years. He was the conference program planner in 1998 and 2000. He served as the Chapter VI assistant chapter rep for five years and is currently the awards chairperson, a position he has held since 1991.

In 1983, Pat earned the WNY baseball coach of the year award as his Wilson Lakemen were crowned NYS champions. Pat was selected as a Council of Administrators Zone Award winner in 2000 and in 2004 he was selected as the Niagara Frontier League "Key Person Award" winner.

Pat is particularly proud of the Lockport athletic program earning eight consecutive Niagara Frontier League Supremacy awards, along with earning the league sportsmanship award three of the last four years. In 2004 Lockport High School was also honored with a New York State Good Sports award from Section VI. Pat lists as his hobby "coaching my daughters AAU basketball teams". Pat and his wife of 17 years Becky, have three daughters, Andrea, Bridgette and Lindsey.

LEONARD KOSOBUCKI

Distinguished Service Award



Ken Geary, V. Pres. of NYSAAA (L) presenting the award to Leonard Kosobucki (R)

Leonard Kosobucki's career for over 35 years was immersed in education and athletics. He was a teacher, coach, official, recreation worker and member of countless community committees and civic organizations.

A graduate of Sloan High School, University at Buffalo, and Ithaca College, Len returned to his alma mater, the new JFK High School as a physical education teacher in 1967. At JFK he coached baseball and basketball to nine league and three sectional championships. In March of 1991, he was presented with the NYSAAA athletic administrator award from Chapter VI. In 1999, he was presented with a NYAAA Apple Award.

Len has been inducted into three different halls of fame: The WNY Softball, WNY Basketball Officials and the Sloan/JFK High School Hall of Fame. He has had two separate Len Kosobucki Days in the Town of Cheektowaga for his 38 years of work with the town's recreation commission.

In other areas related to his work as a teacher, coach, director, Len has been treasurer of the ECIC Directors Association for 10+ years, ECIC basketball chairman for 17 years, a member of the Section VI basketball committee for 20 years and he served as an ECIC Representative to the Section VI Athletic Council for 20 years. He has served Section VI as both a football and basketball official for over 35 years. During this time he earned the prestigious Burns and Leous awards. He currently serves as the Section VI Nominations Chairperson and he just recently stepped down as the Media Chair, a position that he held for more than ten years.

JOHN MURPHY

Community Service Award

John Murphy has been the sports director for WKBW TV Channel 7 for the last 15 years. Being one of three major television stations in

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July 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 & 18, 2005, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
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Theory & Techniques of Coaching:

July 5, 7, 19, 21, 2005, Tues. & Thurs. 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
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July 12, 19, 26 and Aug. 2, 2005, Tues. 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Instructor: Kris Kaplan, Erie 1 BOCES

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Erie I BOCES Coaching Coordinator Phil Coyle: 630-4230 or
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the Buffalo market, it would have been easy for Channel 7 to focus all of its attentions on pro sports. They have not, and the reason for that is John Murphy's commitment to the high school athletes of Western New York.

Channel 7 has led the way in WNY in covering scholastic athletics for a number of years. Through John's leadership, Channel 7 has maintained and enhanced the weekly "Super 7" scholastic athlete of the week awards program since he became sports director in 1989. Slowly following Channel 7's lead, Buffalo's other two main television stations have increased their coverage of scholastic sports as they have developed similar recognition programs for local student athletes.

John is a 1978 graduate of Syracuse University with a degree in broadcast journalism. Since 1984, John has served as the Buffalo Bills color analyst on the Buffalo Bills radio network until this season when he replaced broadcast legend Van Miller as the play by play voice of the Bills.

John also volunteers his time for youth in his community as he sits on the Orchard Park Community Recreation Commission. John annually serves as the master of ceremonies for many youth functions including the prestigious WNY football awards banquet, a service he has performed for the last five years.

KATHY GEARHARDT

Judith Martens Secretarial Award

Kathy Gearhardt has served the Orchard Park Central Schools as the secretary to the athletic department for the last ten years. During that time, she has demonstrated exemplary organizational skills, a willingness to take initiative and strong interpersonal communication skills. Kathy has both created and currently maintains the O.P. district athletic department website, a job she is particularly proud of. As the O.P. athletic secretary, Kathy has served the NYSAAA well in her role as the secretary to NYSAAA past president, Jim Trampert. In Jim's active AAA years, Kathy played a key role in Jim's ability to organize the work load both at the state level and on the home front.

NYSPHSAA Approved Senior All-Star Contests

Athletic Directors and coaches: Please note that as of May 1, 2005, the only Senior All Star Contests that have been sanctioned by Section VI and the NYSPHSAA for spring are:

Baseball: Cattaraugus County Sr. All-Star at St. Bonaventure, June 9, 2005, sponsor-Olean Central

Baseball (Raindate only): NO-Genesee Region All-Star, 6/5/05 at Medina HS, Co-sponsors NO league/Medina Central

Boys & Girls Lacrosse: Senior All-Star Contests are on the Athletic Council agenda for approval for May 18. Details will be e-mailed to AD's.

Please call the Section office for additions to the above list throughout the season.

As per NYSPHSAA HANDBOOK 2004-2006 p.70 item 26, "A student who participates in any unapproved all-star contest shall be ineligible to compete in interschool athletics in all sports for a period of one year from the date of such participation."

NOTE: A Senior All-Star contest by NYSPHSAA standards, is one in which an athlete's participation is based solely on outstanding performance as a member of a high school team. If open-tryouts are held, the contest is NOT a NYSPHSAA All-Star contest and the regulation does not apply.

CONGRATULATIONS to the Paddock Chevrolet/Section VI All-WNY Academic Winter Sports Teams 2005

The criteria for being nominated for this prestigious award include being a senior, a starter or important reserve and an overall grade point average of 90 or above for six semesters.

Rifle

Travis Bassano, Lancaster
Laura Hahn, Clarence
Ashlee Patnode, Clarence

Boys Bowling

Ben Brooks, Frontier
Joe Bykowicz, Cleveland Hill
Gregory Chojecki, St. Francis
Tyler Cole, Leonardo DaVinci
Nicholas Harezga, Timon-St. Jude
Evan Miller, Olean
Tim Monahan, Frontier

Girls Bowling

Karen Kepner, Nardin
Dana Lovullo, Hutch Tech
Kelly Magoffin, Williamsville South
Keri O'Connor, Clarence
Jessica Reich, Sweet Home
Jessica Reyome, Leonardo DaVinci
Kristen Volker, Nardin

Boys Ice Hockey

Eric Camiolo, Canisius
Jordan Gerow, Amherst
Todd Graci, St. Joe's
Sam Kuritzky, Amherst
Mike Mistretta, Sweet Home
Alex Morrison-Nozik, Williamsville North
Richard Perrello, St. Joe's
Justin Pratt, Amherst

Boys Basketball

Nathan Beutel, Starpoint
Anthony Costanzo, Hamburg
Brady Cummins, Allegany-Limestone
Joseph Davis, St. Joe's
Frank Dolce, City Honors
Matthew Driscoll, Lake Shore
Samuel Fleming, City Honors
Jeremy George, Holland
Jason Huck, Clarence
Ryan Johnsen, Hamburg
Thomas Kowalski, J.F.K.
Joe Mihalich, St. Joe's
Anubhav Raj, Williamsville East
Brendan Raleigh, East Aurora
Jacob Reisdorf, Holland
Jared Reisdorf, Holland
Daniel Robinson, Wilson
Michael Stetz, Olean

Girls Basketball

Christina Biedny, Clarence
Colleen Denny, Clarence
Rebecca Fuerch, Niagara Wheatfield
Alison Gillmeister, Nardin
Kelly Haslinger, Nardin
Sara Hilliard, Grand Island
Rachel Jurkowski, Maple Grove
Ashley Love, Wilson
Meghan Macguire, Grand Island
Maria Marinucci, Niagara Wheatfield
Deborah Makin, Holland
Jody Matteson, Brocton
Jaclyn Miller, Frontier
Claire Petersen, Lake Shore
Carlyn Petrella, Brocton
Mary Pitek, City Honors
Lindsey Schrimmel, Depew
Alison Smith, Ellicottville
Kristin Szczepanic, Cardinal O'Hara
Kathryn Weppner, Sacred Heart
Molly Yehl, Olean

Girls Indoor Track

Alex Brown, Clarence
Alyssa Deleon, Williamsville South
Caitlin English, Nardin
Lindsay Heins, Kenmore East
Jessica Kielty, Depew
Hilary Lewis, Dunkirk
Sara Sadek, Nardin
Angela Sandell, Lockport
Paige Saunders, Frontier
Kathrine Springate, Williamsville North
Leigh Starzynski, Frontier
Mary Veith, Lake Shore
Pamela Waclawski, Dunkirk

Boys Indoor Track

Jonathan Caruso, Lockport
John Diggins, Frontier
Andrew Emhof, Canisius
Todd Fraser, Lockport
Matt Hayes, St. Francis
Daniel Healy, West Seneca West
Steve Hibit, Frontier
John Kreuder, Kenmore East
Matthew Measer, Williamsville South
Kevin Muffler, Lockport
Tim Musial, St. Francis
Aaron Nawrot, Clarence
Theophilus Ossei-Anto, Canisius
Chris Walters, Sweet Home
Andrew Ziolo, St. Francis

Boys Swimming

Carl Anderson, Clarence
Cory Biesinger, Sweet Home
Nicholas Braniecki, St. Joe's
Matt Finney, Lockport
Paul Hogan, St. Joe's
Charles Hannum, Fredonia
Steve Mayne, Lockport
James Poupalos, Grand Island
Ryan Rimmer, Lockport
Kyle Smith, Lockport
Sean Ward, Allegany-Limestone

Wrestling

Stephen Chaves, Lancaster
Brian Mack, Amherst
Richard Marinucci, Canisius
John Migliore, Eden
Jakob Murray, Holland
Steve Pancio, Olean
Michael Platek, Frontier
Mike Rozborski, St. Joe's
Brendan Thomson, Williamsville East
Zeke Travis, St. Joe's
Daniel Wagner, West Seneca East

Girls Swimming

Christina Corrigan, City Honors



Heartfelt Thanks

Section VI would like to express its gratitude to **Bill Malican** and **Trevor White**, Indoor Track Chairmen as they step down from their positions as the Section VI Indoor Track Sport Chairs. Bill has given his time and energy in service to the Section since 1990. Trevor will continue with the Section as Girls Track Chair. We thank you Bill and Trevor for your tireless efforts, and endless dedication to Indoor Track and Section VI athletes!

2004-2005 WINTER SECTIONAL RESULTS

TEAM SPORTS SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS

* Regional Champion

** State Champion

SPORT/CLASS	AA	A	B	C	D
Boys Basketball	Niagara Falls**	Maryvale	Lackawanna	Silver Creek	Pine Valley*
Girls Basketball	Hamburg	Grand Island	Southwestern	Allegheny-Limestone	Pine Valley**
Ice Hockey	Division II: Williamsville North*		Division II: Williamsville East		

INDIVIDUAL SPORTS SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS

Bowling

Class	Boys/total pins	Girls/total pins
A Frontier	5851	Lockport 5880
B Maryvale	5783	Maryvale 5092
C Frewsburg	5557	Cleveland Hill 4525
D Leonardo da Vinci	4826	Leonardo da Vinci 3488

Indoor Track

	Boys	Time	Girls	Time
55M Hurdles	Terry Lunser/ Springville	7.85	Reya Russell/ N.Tonawanda	8.77
55M Dash	Josh Bailey/ Cheektowaga	6.72	Morgan Billi/ W.Seneca W.	7.50
300M Run	Justin Craddock/ Ken East	37.20	Emily Callegari/ Orchard Park	43.44
600M Run	Justin Craddock/ Ken East	1:24.02	Jenna Ortman/ Will South	1:40.72
1000M Run	Ryan Flaherty/ Frontier	2:41.70	Christine Sprehe/ Orchard Park	3:02.91
1600/1500M Run	Dan Healy/ W.Seneca W.	4:31.69	Shannon Crane/ Lancaster	4:43.53
3200/3000M Run	Mike Deren/ Frontier	9:34.32	Arielle Januszkiewicz/ Amherst	10:43.65
Long Jump	Mike Kozlowski/ Lancaster	20-3 1/2	Mary Saxer/ Lancaster	18-7
Triple Jump	Terry Lunser/ Springville	41-10	Julie Lundgren/ Jamestown	36-0
High Jump	Cory Pixley/ Pioneer	6-2	Katelyn Kelly/ Orchard Park	5-4
Shot Put	Steve Maciejewski/ Lancaster	51-7	Alyssa Hasan/ Will South	41-11 3/4
Pole Vault	Jim Townsend/ Lancaster	13-0	Mary Saxer/ Lancaster	10-6
4x200M Relay	W.Seneca West (N.Cyna, K.Lasky, T.Rowley, R.Tune)	1:38.44	N.Tonawanda (C.Green, E.Genco, B.Montesanti, R.Russell)	1:51.53
4x400M Relay	Ken East (J.Craddock, J.Kreuder, D.Fleischmann, J.Dafgard)	3:39.18	Will South (J.Ortman, J.Ortman, N.Gregorski, A.Galbo)	4:11.49
4x800M Relay	Frontier (J.Zubler, J.Diggins, M.Deren, R.Flaherty)	8:27.42	Lancaster (J.Ruggiero, J.Cadby, G.Pfeiffer, S.Crane)	9:54.20
1500M Racewalk	NA		Krystal Yernye/ Lake Shore	8:17.17

Rifle

High School Champions: **22 cal:** Alden - 1089-32C **Air Rifle:** Clarence - 718 *

Individual Sectional Champions:

	Athlete/School	Score		Athlete/School	Score
Prone:	Donna Rimbeck, Alden	99-5C	Aggregate:	Rebecca Gerevics, Alden	288-11C *
Offhand:	Rebecca Gerevics, Alden	94-2C *	Air Rifle:	Rebecca Gerevics, Alden	186-06C *
Kneeling:	Rebecca Gerevics, Alden	98-3C			

* Sectional Record

Boys Swimming

	Athlete(s), school	Time		Athlete(s), school	Time
200 Relay Medley	Rob Rumsey, Adam Salemi, Mike Seay, Jordan, Stickl - G.Island	1:40.54	500 Freestyle	Cael Johnson, Frewsburg	4:56.07
200 Freestyle	Travis Martinez, Clarence	1:46.12	200 Free Relay	Steve Ohar, Kris Fisher, Kyle Smith, Ryan Rimmer - Lockport	1:28.87
200 Indiv.Medley	Mike Lin, Will North	2:05.04	100 Backstroke	Rob Rumsey, G.Island	55.32
50 Freestyle	Joe Callegeri, Orchard Park	21.90	100 Breast Stroke	Kevin O'Donnell, Ken East	1:00.38
100 Butterfly	Ryan Rimmer, Lockport	53.06	400 Freestyle Relay	Steve Ohar, Kris Fisher, Kyle Smith, Ryan Rimmer - Lockport	3:16.63
100 Freestyle	Travis Martinez, Clarence	48.67			

Wrestling

						SECTION VI CHAMPIONS	
CLASS A	CLASS AA	CLASS AAA	CLASS AAAA	DIVISION I	DIVISION II		
Salamanca 182.0	Southwestern 196.0	Iroquois 214.0	Niagara Wheatfield 216.5	Iroquois 125.5	Southwestern 131.5		
96 M.Metzler, Salamanca	S.Matteson, S.Western	J.Messina, Cheektowaga	N.Skiba, Ken West	N.Skiba, Ken West	M.Metzler, Salamanca		
103 H.Mariszewski, Barker	K.Betts, Fredonia	R.Jarocz, Cheektowaga	M.Lewandowski, Lanc.	M.Lewandowski, Lanc.	K.Betts, Fredonia		
112 J.Filegar, Frewsburg	J.Lemke, Alden	C.Voak, Maryvale	J.Bernard, Jamestown	J.Bernard, Jamestown	J.Lemke, Alden		
119 R.O'Connor, S.Creek	J.Moran, Roy-Hart	M.Mariacher, Iroquois*	Z.Lange, N.Wheat*	M.Mariacher, Iroquois	J.Moran, Roy-Hart		
125 S.Johnston, Ripley	B.Strandburg, Fredonia	B.Marmo, Starpoint	N.Stella, S.Home	B.Marmo, Starpoint	B.Strandburg, Fredonia		
130 M.Aris, Barker*	T.Delahoy, S.Western	J.Messina, Cheektowaga	A.Stella, S.Home	A.Stella, S.Home	M.Aris, Barker**		
135 V.Aris, Barker	T.Klonowski, Akron*	R.Mariacher, Iroquois	D.DeBacco, N.Falls	E.Cholewa, Starpoint	D.Truver, S.Western		
140 D.Saulsgiver, Panama	G.Angierski, Depew	K.Reeb, Cheektowaga	S.Sanderson, N.Ton	K.Reeb, Cheektowaga	G.Angierski, Depew		
145 J.Haynes, Portville	W.Griffith, Falconer	M.Cutter, Starpoint	A.Cusatis, N.Falls	A.Siedlecki, Clarence	J.Davis, Gow		
152 M.Herman, P.Valley	S.Uber, S.Western	S.Pancio, Olean	M.Cinelli, Lockport	T.Riley, Iroquois	S.Uber, S.Western		
160 J.Lancaster, S.Creek	B.Gunnell, Falconer	B.Kopacz, Iroquois	R.Koshinski, N.Wheat	B.Kopacz, Iroquois	J.Lancaster, S.Creek		
171 T.Furlow, Ripley	M.Bush, S.Western	C.Dimon, WSE	C.Kosnikowski, N.Ton	C.Dimon, WSE	M.Bush, S.Western		
189 K.Smith, Salamanca	A.Erickson, Falconer	F.Presutti, Lew-port	B.Sunderville, Ken East	F.Presutti, Lew-Port	K.Smith, Salamanca**		
215 J.Lewis, Salamanca	M.Mazgaj, S.Western	D.J.Stanbro, Pioneer	M.Daniels, N.Wheat	M.Daniels, N.Wheat	M.Mazgaj, S.Western**		
275 J.Stow, Chaut.Lake	F.Zielinski, Fredonia	C.Thompson, G.Island	J.Weber, OP	J.Weber, OP	F.Zielinski, Fredonia		

* Outstanding Wrestlers ** STATE CHAMPION

WINTER STATE RESULTS

Bowling

	Boys	Girls
High 6 Series:	Pete Maduri, Tonawanda, 1458	High Single: Candice Geiger, Lockport, 270
Section VI Team	2 nd , 6719	6 th , 5835
School Competition	Frontier, 3 rd , 6087	Lockport, 2 nd , 6083
Sportsmanship Award	Pete Maduri, Tonawanda	Deanna Turco, Lockport

Girls Gymnastics

1st: Section 11-185.925, 2nd: Section 1-185.625, 3rd: Section 8- 182.400. Section 6 placed 6th with 180.350 points.
Individual Placements within the top 10:

Place	Athlete, school	Event	Score	Place	Athlete, school	Event	Score
5	Danielle Hover, Hamburg	Vault	9.375	10	Christine DelPrince, Lancaster	Vault	9.200
8	Danielle Hover, Hamburg	Balance Beam	9.350	10	Danielle Dee, Wmsvle. South	Balance Beam	9.250
8	Christine DelPrince, Lancaster	Floor Exercise	9.550	10	Sarah Nadrowski, Ken East	Balance Beam	9.250
8	Danielle Hover, Hamburg	Floor Exercise	9.550				

Indoor Track

Section VI: Girls Team 6th - 47.5 points Boys Team - 10th 24 points

Placements within the top 6:

Place	Athlete, school	Event	score
1	Mary Saxer, Lancaster**	Pole Vault	13-5
1	Mary Saxer, Lancaster**	Long Jump	19-2*
1	Justin Craddock, Ken East**	600m	1:20.59*
1	Cory Pixley, Pioneer**	High Jump	6-4
2	Alyssa Hasan, Will South	Shot Put	42-5 1/2
3	Katelyn Kelly, Orchard Park	High Jump	5-5
3	Terry Lunser, Springville	55m Hurdles	7.68
4	Reya Russell, N.Tonawanda	55m Hurdles	8.75
4	Jessica Ortman, Will South	1500m	4:43.12
5	Will South (JenOrtman, JessOrtman, N.Gregorski, A.Galbo)	4x400m	4:07.90
5	Lancaster (J.Ruggiero, J.Cadby, G.Pfeiffer, S.Crane)	4x800m	9:42.36
5	G.Adornetto-Clarence, L.VonZagorski-Pioneer, S.O'Keefe-Springville, M.Symoniak-Amherst	Intersect.Medley Relay	10:48.52
5	Brian Kotarski, Cheektowaga	600m	1:23.59
5	Mike Dobmeier, Will North	3200m	9:32.43
5	Ken East (J.Craddock, J.Kreuder, D.Fleischmann, J.Dafgard)	4x400m	3:33.64
6	Christine Sprehe, Orchard Park	1000m	3:00.51
6	Julie Lundgren, Jamestown	Long Jump	17-4 1/2
6	Brianna Steel, Newfane	High Jump	5-4
6	Rachel Nemoyer, Orchard Park	Pole Vault	10-0
6	W.Seneca West (N.Cyna, K.Lasky, T.Rowley, R.Tune)	4x200m	1:36.94
6	M.Mortimer-Orchard Park, S.McCrea-Lancaster, J.Durkin-Lancaster, J.Haenle-Lockport	Intersect.Medley Relay	9:16.53
6	Jim Townsend, Lancaster	Pole Vault	14-3

*Section VI record **State Champion

Rifle

	.22 cal	Air Rifle
	Alden 2 nd 1103	Clarence 4 th 684
Section VI**	1st 1655	4 th 1028
State Champion HS	Valley Stream, Section 8, 1114	Central Square, Section 3, 728
State Champion Section	Section 6 , 1655	Section 8, 1075

Section VI Placements within the top 5:

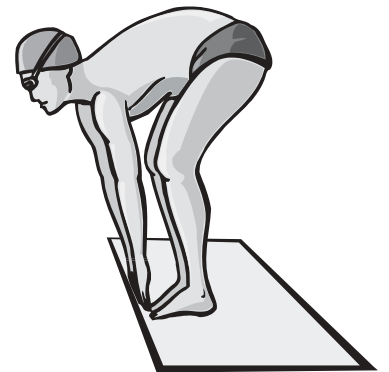
Place	Athlete, school	Points	Event
1 st	Rebecca Gerevics**, Alden	99-7	Kneeling
2 nd	Rebecca Gerevics, Alden	99-8	Prone
2 nd	Meghan Seitz, Alden	98-6	Kneeling
3 rd	Deven McMaster, Ken East	99-6	Prone
4 th	Meghan Seitz, Alden	98-7	Prone
5 th	Rebecca Gerevics, Alden	89-1	Standing



Boys Swimming

Section VI placed 4th overall with 350 points. Placements within the top 10:

Place	Swimmer, School	Time	Event
2	Ian O'Rourke, G.Island	5:43.40	Diving
4	G.Island: J.Stickl, A.Salemi, R.Rumsey, M.Seay	1:41.61	200 Medley Relay
4	Joe Callegeri, Orchard Park	21.73	50 Yard Freestyle
4	Travis Martinez, Clarence	47.98	100 Yard Freestyle
4	Lockport: S.Ohar, R.Rimmer, K.Smith, C.Fisher	1:28.65	200 Yard Freestyle Relay
6	Travis Martinez, Clarence	144.37	200 Yard Freestyle
6	Nate Geary, Lancaster	4:30.30	Diving
6	Ryan Rimmer, Lockport	52.73	100 Yard Butterfly
7	Sean Hoffman, N.Tonawanda	4:21.10	Diving
7	Kevin O'Donnell, Ken East	1:00.71	100 Breaststroke
7	Lockport: S.Ohar, R.Rimmer, K.Smith, C.Fisher	3:17.18	400 Yard Free Relay



Wrestling

Sect.VI Div. I finished 9th out of 12. Div. II finished 3rd out of 12. Placements within the top 6:

DIVISION I - Large Schools

Place	Wrestler/school	Weight
4	Mark Lewandowski, Lancaster	103#
5	Tyrell Riley, Iroquois	152#
5	Matt Daniels, NiaWheatfield	215#
6	Mike Rozborski, St.Joe's	135#
6	Alex Siedlecki, Clarence	145#
6	Frank Presutti, Lew.-Porter	189#

DIVISION II - Small Schools

Place	Wrestler/school	Weight
1	Mike Aris, Barker**	130#
1	Kane Smith, Salamanca**	189#
1	Matt Mazgaj, Southwestern**	215#
2	Kenny Betts, Fredonia	103#
2	Dusty Truver, Southwestern	135#
2	Shane Uber, Southwestern	152#
4	Matt Metzler, Salamanca	96#
4	Greg Angierski, Depew	140#
4	Josh Lancaster, Silver Creek	160#
4	Frank Zielinski, Fredonia	275#
5	Jared Lemke, Alden	112#
5	Brandon Strandburg, Fredonia	125#
5	Mikel Bush, Southwestern	171#
6	Jake Davis, Gowanda	145#



** State Champion

*Congratulations
to all Champions*



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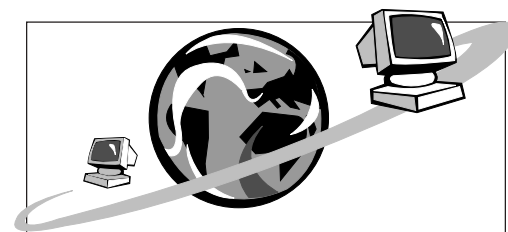
by Tom Cowan, Section VI Officials Coordinator (821-7094)

- One of the major challenges that face athletic administrators, coaches, and officials today is that of ensuring a sense of fair play and sportsmanship at each and every contest scheduled. Volumes have been written on the subject, but often overlooked is the impact of the officials involved.

Much like a judge in our legal system, officials should be expected to have a keen sense of the contest rules and apply them in a fair and consistent manner. A recent article in *Officials' Quarterly* defines these qualities as "professional behaviors" that we should expect from all interscholastic officials.

Certainly one of the post season challenges that face administrators and coaches today is that of evaluating the performance of all officials, especially as we consider the expanding need to promote the qualities of sportsmanship and fair play.

- The Annual Spring Official's Coordination Federation meeting is scheduled for Sunday, May 15 in Syracuse. If you have any problems that need to be directed to this group, please contact me at 821-7094 or e-mail cszczesny@e1b.org.
- Fingerprinting of Officials: All sports officials must be fingerprinted and in the process of a background check before officiating any contests for Section 6 member schools. Complete details on the fingerprint process, including where to get fingerprint packets, are posted on the section website www.section6.wnyric.org. Click on the *Bulletin Board*. Photos for the ID's are taken every Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. at the Section office.



Section VI Website Update

www.section6.wnyric.org

It's not just the bats...all spring sports are now in full swing! Take a look at the Section VI post-season spring schedule and the current top track and field qualifiers. Link to the boys lacrosse site for records, ratings and rankings. All the spring sports handbooks are posted in a printable format, in addition to the school classifications and the approved season calendar for 2005-06.

Check the Bulletin Board for the latest news, positions open, contests needed, clinics offered.

Have a question on fingerprinting??? Section VI requirements for officials are posted, along with the clearance status of all fingerprinted officials. Check it out!



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