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Hamburg Boys Lacrosse Far West Regional Champions



The preparation for the 2013 season began, as always about 2 weeks after the end of the 2012 season. Hamburg Youth Lacrosse conducts summer ball at the Nike Base in Hamburg on Lakeview Rd. Last summer our numbers exploded to 275 boys between K-12th grades. Our select teams traveled to several high level tournaments in the Syracuse and Rochester areas. The local teams competed with other summer teams at several WNY sites. Mark Muskopf, varsity assistant, is the director of the HYL summer season. He and his staff of up to 20 college lacrosse returnees do an amazing job developing our youth and preparing future Bulldogs for middle school and high school spring teams.

After taking August and most of September off, we return to the field for Fall ball. Practices are usually on the weekend,

voluntary and less structured, due to the participation in fall sports such as football, soccer and volleyball. With the support of most fall coaches, serious lacrosse athletes will join us for Sunday tournaments across the state. We also meet 2-3 times every week for weight training at Hamburg High School. Fall ball runs from mid-September to early November.

Winter ball begins in early January at Sahlens in Elma and culminates in late February, just before the start of the school season in March. This is when the final pre-planning pieces are put in place. Most of the school coaches get involved at this time with intentions of creating the environment and culture for a successful campaign.

In 2013 our goal was to become the #1 seed for the local playoffs, to repeat as Section VI Class B

Champions and then to find a way to win the Far West Regional game. Our annual spring break Virginia trip once again provided excellent competition (1-1 result), as well as valuable team bonding opportunities. We returned to complete an undefeated 10-0 division season, and managed to win non-league games against Canandaigua and Frontier, but dropped a contest to a very talented Timon team.

The season was full of highs and lows, injuries and complicating issues, but always hard work and dedicated effort. We ended with 16 seniors, 10 juniors, 2 sophomores and 1 freshman. Captains Max Maxwell, Nick Wilcox, Adam Gawlak and Lucas Shafer deserve tremendous praise for their leadership. The rest of the team remained focused and diligent in their

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*Hamburg Boys
Lacrosse continued...*

pursuit of excellence and many young men found ways to make themselves invaluable. The following earned end of season honors:

1st Team All League -

Max Maxwell, Nick Wilcox, Christian Hollfelder, Austin Bishop, Lucas Shafer

2nd Team All League -

Adam Gawlak, Evan Kuss, Lucas Kramer, Chris Hoover, Ben Ott

1st Team All WNY -

Max Maxwell, Nick Wilcox, Christian Hollfelder

2nd Team All WNY-

Austin Bishop, Lucas Shafer

Two time HS All America -

Max Maxwell

I'm very proud to detail our success in attaining the goals we set...Class B Champions (6x) and Far West Regional Champions for the 2nd time in Hamburg boys lacrosse history.

Jerry Severino, *Hamburg Boys Lacrosse Head Coach*



Orchard Park Boys Lacrosse Class A Sectional Champions



Lancaster Girls Lacrosse Class A Sectional Champions

The Lancaster Girls Varsity Lacrosse team won the Class A Sectional Championship this past May. They defeated Frontier 9-8 in a thriller. Lancaster lead the game 7-2 at the half, but Frontier was relentless and did not give up. Lancaster has won the past 8 out of 9 sectional championships. -Julie Buccieri, Coach



Hamburg Girls Lacrosse Class B Sectional Champions

The Hamburg Girls Lacrosse team won its second straight Section VI Class B title defeating West Seneca East 14-9. First Team All-Americans Taylor Wolf (Niagara University) and Megan Mikolajek (UAlbany) had 4 goals each. Hamburg remained unbeaten in division play for the second year clinching their third straight Division II title (2011, 2012, 2013).

-Katy Ryan, Coach



Amherst Girls Lacrosse Class C Sectional Champions

The Lady Lax Tigers finished their regular season with a successful season, 9-6 overall record. Their league record was 8-2 with the only losses to Lake Shore. The lady tigers defeated: Springville, Eden, East Aurora and Iroquois.



Journey to Playoffs

Thursday, May 23

It was a nail biting game on the Amherst High School turf. The Lady Tigers managed to pull off a 2 goal win against East Aurora. It was a very competitive game as each team would take the lead every few minutes. By the last buzzer, Amherst was ahead by 2 goals to win 8-6.

Wednesday, May 29

The Lady Tigers defended their title at sectionals for the 9th consecutive time to become the Class C, Section VI Champions! The girls managed to defeat the Lake Shore Eagles 14-7. This victory was a true team effort. Junior attack, Grace Lawson tied her own record for first place in Amherst history by scoring 8 goals in this game. Junior goalie, Emily Bitka made 15 saves! Sophomore midfield, Kourtney Cox scored a hat trick. Megan Bessel, Angelina Simon, and McKenna Rushford each chipped in 1 goal.

Saturday, June 1

The girls traveled to Irondequoit to play Honeoye Falls-Lima, the number 2 seed in Section V. The girls luck from sectionals didn't continue on their way to Far-West Regionals. After a long game and only maintaining a few possessions the Lady Tigers' Season ended.

6 Girls Lacrosse Players Receive Honors:

Grace Lawson (junior, attack) was selected for 1st team All-League and 2nd team All WNY. Grace finished the season with 81 goals and 20 assists and 42 ground balls.

Emily Bitka (junior, goalie) was selected for 1st team All-League and 2nd team All WNY. Emily finished the season with a 59% save percentage, 218 total saves and 351 career saves. Emily is verbally committed to play lacrosse at the University of Albany.

Angelina Simon (sophomore, midfield) was selected for 1st team All-League. Angelina finished the season with 31 goals, 7 assists and a team high of 44 ground balls.

Kathryn Yoder (sophomore, midfield) was selected for 2nd team All-League. Kathryn finished the season with 7 goals, 4 assists and 31 ground balls.

McKenna Rushford (freshmen, midfield) was selected for 2nd team All-League. McKenna finished the season with 17 goals, 6 assists, and 38 ground balls.

Kaela Barnes (senior, attack) was selected for honorable mention All-League. Kaela finished the season with 8 goals, 5 assists, and 16 ground balls.

- Courtesy of Marissa Brown



Pictured left to right: M. Adair, C. DeMarco, J. Wilson, L. Ratajczak, and Jeff Rabey, Section VI President

Chapter VI NYSAAA Award Winners 2013

Athletic Administrator

Chris DeMarco,
Sweet Home HS

Community Service Award

Mark Adair,
Upstate Football Weekly

Non-Athletic Administrator

Loren Ratajczak,
Section VI

Judith Martens Secretarial Award

Jane Wilson,
Starpoint High School

2013 Boys Golf State Championship Team

The Top (9) Players in all of Section VI (59 School Districts / Golf Teams) - the Top 1%. The Top (9) qualified for states on May 20, 2013 at Diamond Hawk GC, Cheektowaga, NY in a 27 hole medal play event.



Roster

1. **Aaron Schauger**, 12, Grand Island (NFL) - 2013 Section VI Champion
2. **David Berkun**, 12, Williamsville North (ECIC) - 2013 Section VI Runner-Up
3. **Ben Reichert**, 9, Williamsville North (ECIC) - 2013 Section VI 3rd Place
4. **Mark Joslin**, 12, Hamburg (ECIC) - 2013 Section VI 4th Place
5. **Joe Conti**, 11, Fredonia (CCAA I)
6. **Mark Lesinski**, 12, Williamsville North (ECIC)
7. **Wil Lockwood**, 11, Maple Grove (CCAA II West)
8. **Danny Weimer**, 12, Silver Creek (CCAA II West)
9. **Nolan Ditcher**, 9, Randolph (CCAA II East)

Boys Golf Section VI & State Team Awards

The 2013 NYSPHAA Section VI State Team Sportsmanship Awards were held at Robert Trent Jones Golf Course at Cornell University, Ithaca, NY on June 2, 2013



NYSPHAA Sportsmanship Award

All State All Star

David Berkun, 12, Williamsville North

All State All Star

Danny Weimer, 12, Silver Creek

Section VI Coaches Award

Aaron Schauger, 12, Grand Island

2013 Girls Golf State Championship Team

It was the 3rd year in a row for Chelsea Dantonio to capture the Section VI Championship title. She played in her first Section Championship winning as a 7th grader and has won as an 8th and now 9th grader.



Pictured from left to right: Nicole Filipski, 11th grade, Lancaster; Chelsea Dantonio, 10th grade, Lancaster; Kirstie Hanson, 11th grade, Jamestown; Marissa DelMonaco, 9th grade, Southwestern; Jackie Kim, 12th grade, Clarence; Shelby Cornell, 11th grade, Clarence; Alexis Kim, 8th grade, Clarence; Sarah Godfrey-Singleton, 9th grade, Depew; Jenna Stogsdill, 11th grade, Williamsville North; Jenn Schuman, 12th grade, Lancaster.

Section VI Girls Golf Championship & Qualifier Results

The top 9 players after 18 holes will represent Section VI at the 2013 NYSPHSAA girls golf state championships held at SUNY Delhi, June 8 - 9, 2013.

Final Results

Player	School/Grade	Score	Place	Player	School/Grade	Score	Place
Chelsea Dantonio	Lancaster/10th	81	1st	Madison Cooper	Clarence/10th	117	17th *
Nicole Filipski	Lancaster/11th	86	2nd	Simone Riter	Will East/8th	117	18th *
Sarah Godfrey-Singleton	Depew/9th	87	3rd *	Liselette Engler	Sweet Home/10th	118	19th
Marissa DelMonaco	Southwestern/9th	87	4th *	Kun Woo Cho	Will East/11th	119	20th
Jackie Kim	Clarence/12th	90	5th	Sara Armstrong	Will East/10th	120	21st
Shelby Cornell	Clarence/11th	92	6th	Jessica Mucci	Will North/9th	121	22nd *
Alexis Kim	Clarence/8th	94	7th	Tiffany Thavisin	Will East/11th	121	23rd *
Jenna Stogsdill	Will North/11th	96	8th	Kirsta Wheelock	Fredonia/10th	121	24th *
Kirstie Hanson	Jamestown/11th	100	9th	Alexa Kempton	Clarence/12th	124	25th
Jenn Schuman	Lancaster/12th	101	10th	Marina Kessler	Fredonia/9th	126	26th *
Faye Conley	Will South/10th	107	11th	Rohana Sinha	Will East/11th	128	27th *
Megan Bleck	Fredonia/12th	111	12th	Anna Austin	Fredonia/10th	128	28th *
Erin Smith	Will North/12th	112	13th	Megan Gutzmer	Southwestern/11th	128	29th *
Leigh Yartz	Southwestern/11th	115	14th *	Emily Isaccson	Jamestown/9th	130	30st
Haley Stogsdill	Will North/12th	115	15th *	Aleah McAfee	Fredonia/11th	152	31st
Samantha Stanford	Will North/11th	116	16th *				

* Indicates a tie. Ties were broken with a match of cards starting with the last 9 hole total, the last 6 hole total then the last 3 hole total then the same format on the first nine if necessary.

Girls Golf State Championship Results



NY State High School Federation Girls Championship was held at The College Golf Course at Delhi on June 8 & 9, 2013.

Team Results

Cornell, Shelby	Clarence	95	101	196
Dantonio, Chelsea	Lancaster	78	74	152
DelMonaco, Marissa	Southwestern	79	86	165
Filipski, Nicole	Lancaster	81	89	170
Godfrey-Singleton, Sarah	Depew	82	83	165
Hanson, Kirstie	Jamestown	100	95	195
Kim, Alexis	Clarence	97	94	191
Schuman, Jenn	Lancaster	92	93	185
Stogsdill, Jenna	Williamsville North	98	102	200
Total		604	614	1218

Boys Tennis Section VI Results

Doubles

Senior August Bruno and Junior Tommy Baldinger from Orchard Park competed in and won the Section VI Doubles Championship. The results are as follows:

1st match	Bruno/Baldinger	def.	Stayner/Richardson (Lew-Port)	6-1, 6-3
2nd match	Bruno/Baldinger	def.	Ahlers/Strauss (Clarence)	6-4, 6-0
Semi-final	Bruno/Baldinger	def.	Podgorsak/Broadt (Williamsville South)	7-6 (6), 6-1
Final	Bruno/Baldinger	def.	Lemar/Lemar (North Tonawanda)	6-4, 6-2

In addition, Bruno and Baldinger made All-WNY for doubles, Bruno was named a First Team All Star, and Baldinger was named Second Team All Star.

Singles

He may just be in eighth grade, but Harry Wang isn't afraid of the big stage. The 13-year-old Casey Middle School student breezed through the Section VI field on his way to a championship before an estimated 100 fans at Lancaster High School on Wednesday [May 22]. Wang used his quick feet and precisely placed serve and forehand to beat senior and returning sectional finalist Mike Rusk of Williamsville East, 6-2, 6-0, in the finals.

"I lost in the second round last year" to eventual champion Mike Kranz, "so I really wanted to win it this time around," said Wang, who is unbeaten on the season and will attend Williamsville North in the fall. "In the offseason I hit a lot, worked out a little and improved my speed, forehand and serve. Last year it would have been tough for me because I wasn't nearly as fast. This is really fun and it means a lot to me to win this title."

-by Nate Beutel, Special to the News, Courtesy of The Buffalo News

Wang, Rusk and Williamsville South junior Joe Bartoli advanced to the New York State Championships at the USTA Tennis Center in Flushing Meadows.



Pictured: Harry Wang, Section VI boys singles tennis champion
Courtesy John Hickey/Buffalo News

Fredonia Baseball Class B Far West Regional Champions



Williamsville South Baseball Class A Far West Regional Champions

The Williamsville South baseball team had a memorable 2013 season as the squad finished with an overall 19-3 record. The Billies won the ECIC Division II Championship, the Class A Section VI Championship, the New York State Far West Regional Championship, and competed in the New York State Class A Championship Game in Binghamton, NY. In the state semi-finals versus downstate 9 section I) opponent John Jay HS the Billies won 2-1 and were powered by Damian Powers one-hitter and Tyler Utz's game winning RBI in the bottom of the 6th to secure a spot in the championship game against #1 state-ranked Bayport-Blue Point HS from Long Island(section XI). The game was tied at 2-2 going into the 6th inning when Bayport-Blue Point pulled ahead and eventually won 5-3. Participating in the championship game marked only the second time in school history that the team had advanced to the state championship game. The other time was in 2006. The 2013 team was led by 1st ECIC Division II all-league selections Damian Powers, Pitcher and team MVP, Mike Calandra, Catcher, Steve Zaprowski, 2B, Billy Hartford, Designated Hitter, and Tyler Piasecki, Shortstop. Tyler Piasecki also set the school record for hits in a career with 93. Other valuable members of the team included Tyler Utz, Jacob Huber, Tyler Johnson, Adam Tucker, Madison Maley, Ryan Czerwinski, Zach Otero, Patrick Stasiak, Brian Bookbinder, Darin Geska, Brett Baker, Erik Gorenflo, and Ryan Woods. The team success was attributed to hard work, and tremendous teamwork.

-Kraig Kurzanski, Head Coach

Portville Baseball Class C Sectional Champions

This year's Section 6 Class C Finals pitted the Westfield Wolverines against the Portville Panthers. Westfield jumped out to the early lead, 4-1, a lead which they would maintain until the top of the 6th inning, when Justus Elliott led off with a double to start the rally. Slowly but surely, one run at a time, the inning did not end until Portville had scored 5 runs, to take a 6-4 lead. In the top of the 7th, Portville would add an insurance run via a double steal manufactured by Cameron Miller and Brandon Muniga. In the bottom of the 7th, Portville's junior lefthander Brett Marcellin engineered a perfect 1-2-3 inning and clinch Portville's first baseball title in since 1998. Junior Justus Elliott was named the Player of the Game, after going 3-4 and recording the assist on the final out.

-Michael Matz, Head Coach





Clarence Softball Class AA Sectional Champions

The Clarence varsity softball team defeated Lancaster 5-3 to win the section 6 class AA championship. Moriah Harris had the winning RBI and Katrina Buczkowski pitched the complete game for her 20th win of the season. The team also was the ECIC Division 1 champions this year.

-Todd Banaszak, Varsity Softball Coach

Falconer Softball Class B Sectional Champions

The Falconer Central School Lady Golden Falcons, seeded sixth in the B-2 divisional playoffs, took to the road in the quest for the 2013 Class B Section VI Championship. In the B-2 quarterfinals, the Lady Falcons defeated Defending Sectional Champion and Third Seeded, Cleveland Hill by a score of 6 to 1. Abby Courtney tossed a 4 hitter with 8 Ks and 3 BBs. Jenna Fellows led the offense going 4 for 4 with a double, triple, RBI and 3 runs scored. Brianna McFall added 2 hits and Kaylei Russell belted a Home Run for Falconer in the victory.



In the B-2 Semifinals, Falconer came back from a 3 run deficit to top the Number Two Seed, Fredonia, 7 to 3. Courtney threw a six hitter this time with 12 Ks and 2 BBs. Brianna McFall had three hits and scored 2 runs, Katie Hines drove in 3 and had two hits with a double, while Jenna Fellows and Shannon Gunnell each had two hits and an RBI, and Courtney helped her own cause with a 2 RBI double.

In the B-2 Sectional Championship game, the Lady Golden Falcons eliminated Fifth Seeded Roy-Hart by the final score of 8 to 4. Once again, Courtney was stellar in the circle, tossing an 8 hitter, striking out 6 while walking only 1. Fellows aided the cause by belting out 3 hits and had an RBI, Shannon Gunnell added 2 doubles and 2 RBI, while Kaylei Russell also had two hits, one a double, and drove in 2 runs on the way to the B-2 crown.

In the Class B Overall Championship game, Falconer took on the equally Sixth Seeded Team from Eden, the B-1 Champions. In this game, the Lady Falcons only managed two hits, but that was all they needed as Abby Courtney spun a one hitter with 7 Ks and only 2 BBs as Falconer waited out a two day rain delay before resuming the suspended Championship game. When play finally continued, the Falcons held onto the 1 to 0 lead they jumped out to, to win the overall Section VI Class B title by that very score. Kaylei Russell drove in the only run of the game with a two-out RBI triple in the second inning following Katie Hines who reached on an error. Brianna McFall had the only other hit for Falconer.

In the Far West Regional against Wayland-Cohocton, the Falconer team got off to a 3 to 0 lead only to see the Section V champs come back to take an overall 7 to 3 lead. With that same score and only one inning left, the Lady Golden Falcons scored 3 times and had two runners on before falling to Way-Co by the score of 7 to 6. Brianna McFall had 2 hits and an RBI while Courtney, who took the loss in the circle, belted a three-run home run, and Kaylei Russell hit a two-run home run in the loss.

-Paul Lombardo, Varsity Softball Coach

Scholar Athlete Team Awards Spring 2013

In 1991, NYSPHSAA established the scholar athlete team award. In keeping with the understanding that student athlete participation enhances academic performance, varsity teams that earn a 90% or higher average during a sport season qualify for the award.

Baseball

Alden	92.709
Barker	90.500
Cheektowaga	91.255
Clarence	91.840
Cleveland Hill	90.515
Grand Island	90.364
Hamburg	93.390
Iroquois	92.225
Jamestown	90.669
Lake Shore	91.220
Lancaster	94.065
Lewiston Porter	91.598
Lockport	94.457
Medina	90.932
Newfane	91.154
Niagara Falls	92.364
Niagara-Wheatfield	90.491
North Tonawanda	90.022
Orchard Park	93.277
Portville	92.283
Southwestern	93.879
Starpoint	90.450
West Valley	90.465
Williamsville East	91.404
Williamsville South	92.314

Boys Golf

Albion	90.385
Alden	94.877
Barker	93.173
Clarence	94.193
Depew	92.566
East Aurora	92.364
Eden	92.533
Falconer *	91.603
Fredonia *	90.646
Frewsburg *	95.654
Frontier	95.736
Grand Island	92.257
Hamburg	92.618
Iroquois	93.581
Kenmore West	90.575
Lake Shore	95.508
Lancaster	93.427
Lewiston Porter	91.281
Lockport	91.881
Maryvale	93.157
Medina	92.929
Newfane	96.367
Niagara Falls	93.286
Niagara-Wheatfield	96.413
North Tonawanda	95.400
Olean *	94.667
Orchard Park	90.092
Pioneer	93.584
Portville *	91.009
Southwestern *	95.797

Springville Griffith	94.524
Sweet Home	93.762
West Seneca East	92.502
West Seneca West	97.656
Williamsville North	92.763
Williamsville South	93.187
Wilson	96.337

Boys Lacrosse

Clarence	93.937
East Aurora	90.584
Eden	91.514
Grand Island	91.000
Hamburg	93.065
Iroquois	91.016
Lancaster	90.687
Lockport	95.853
Medina	90.857
Niagara-Wheatfield	92.536
Sweet Home	91.849
West Seneca East	92.700
West Seneca West	90.795
Williamsville East	93.368
Williamsville North	92.184
Williamsville South	91.531
Wilson	92.305

Boys Tennis

Akron	93.614
Albion	96.471
Alden	94.568
Amherst Central	93.212
Barker	92.532
Clarence	94.483
East Aurora	92.004
Eden	93.013
Fredonia	91.050
Frontier	96.244
Grand Island	90.000
Hamburg	90.084
Iroquois	95.921
Kenmore East	90.049
Kenmore West	90.996
Lake Shore	96.416
Lancaster	94.188
Lewiston Porter	91.802
Maple Grove	90.519
Maryvale	94.378
Medina	95.519
Newfane	93.231
Niagara-Wheatfield	92.743
North Tonawanda	92.907
Olean	95.696
Orchard Park	93.511
Southwestern	96.093
Starpoint	91.476
Sweet Home	96.143
West Seneca East	94.609
West Seneca West	95.714

Westfield	92.112
Williamsville East	96.516
Williamsville North	97.169
Williamsville South	92.852
Wilson	90.757

Boys Track & Field

Akron	91.139
Albion	93.063
Alden	97.044
Amherst Central	91.682
Barker	94.696
Cattaraugus-Little Valley	94.134
Cheektowaga	91.076
Clarence	97.794
Cleveland Hill	91.507
East Aurora	95.909
Eden	95.358
Falconer	93.856
Franklinville	93.656
Fredonia	91.258
Frewsburg	94.521
Frontier	97.428
Grand Island	91.500
Griffith Inst	92.896
Hamburg	97.604
Iroquois	90.088
Jamestown	90.897
Kenmore East	90.372
Kenmore West	90.107
Lake Shore	94.320
Lancaster	97.742
Lewiston Porter	91.618
Lockport	95.571
Maryvale	93.158
Medina	95.700
Newfane	94.938
Niagara-Wheatfield	97.575
North Tonawanda	92.683
Olean	94.573
Orchard Park	94.851
Portville	90.109
Southwestern	92.973
Starpoint	95.691
Sweet Home	96.465
West Seneca East	95.350
West Seneca West	96.447
West Valley/Ellicottville	90.853
Westfield	90.385
Williamsville East	96.964
Williamsville North	97.470
Williamsville South	95.541
Wilson	90.288

Girls Golf

Clarence *	94.231
Fredonia	93.496

Southwestern	93.840
Williamsville East *	94.471
Williamsville North *	95.148

Girls Lacrosse

Clarence	96.260
East Aurora	91.127
Frontier	95.297
Grand Island	91.273
Griffith Inst	91.745
Hamburg	95.406
Iroquois	93.834
Lancaster	94.612
Lockport	94.743
Niagara-Wheatfield	94.648
North Tonawanda	95.111
Orchard Park	92.111
Sweet Home	93.938
West Seneca East	95.271
West Seneca West	93.134
Williamsville East	94.422
Williamsville North	94.138
Williamsville South	95.350

Girls Tennis

Maple Grove	91.877
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Girls Track & Field

Akron	97.388
Albion	96.558
Alden	96.398
Amherst Central	94.401
Barker	96.469
Cheektowaga	94.963
Clarence	98.124
Cleveland Hill	95.228
East Aurora	96.278
Eden	95.414
Falconer	94.985
Franklinville	95.833
Fredonia	96.029
Frewsburg	96.377
Frontier	96.920
Grand Island	94.333
Griffith Inst	95.878
Hamburg	98.333
Iroquois	96.090
Jamestown	94.132
Kenmore East	91.865
Kenmore West	92.611
Lake Shore	94.161
Lancaster	95.889
Leonardo Da Vinci	90.675
Lewiston Porter	95.893
Lockport	97.129
Maryvale	94.383
Medina	96.209
Newfane	96.471
Niagara-Wheatfield	97.254

North Tonawanda	93.932
Olean	94.412
Orchard Park	96.441
Portville	95.601
Salamanca	96.182
Southwestern	97.411
Starpoint	96.451
Sweet Home	95.644
West Seneca East	95.515
West Seneca West	96.719
West Valley	94.984
Westfield	91.892
Williamsville East	96.327
Williamsville North	97.091
Williamsville South	97.724
Wilson	91.033

Softball

Akron	91.763
Albion	93.154
Amherst Central	90.832
Barker	92.769
Cheektowaga	90.709
Clarence	92.677
East Aurora	90.380
Eden	91.604
Falconer	90.382
Franklinville	95.035
Fredonia	91.257
Frewsburg	96.093
Frontier	93.915
Grand Island	92.909
Hamburg	95.467
Iroquois	93.492
Kenmore West	90.164
Lake Shore	90.599
Lancaster	92.658
Lewiston Porter	92.375
Lockport	93.539
Maple Grove	91.044
Maryvale	95.091
Medina	93.106
Newfane	95.529
Niagara Falls	96.297
Niagara-Wheatfield	94.992
North Tonawanda	92.426
Portville	91.676
Southwestern	93.728
Starpoint	90.697
Sweet Home	92.208
West Seneca East	91.272
West Seneca West	92.529
West Valley	90.241
Westfield	91.055
Williamsville East	92.454
Williamsville North	93.192
Williamsville South	92.114
Wilson	91.640



Lockport Boys Lacrosse 2013 Spring Scholar Athlete Team State Champion

Row #1 – Bottom (from L-R)

- Frank Movalli,
Lockport High School Principal
- Pat Bradley,
Varsity Lacrosse Assistant Coach
- Ryan Fisher
- Christian Hiam
- Matthew Linderman
- Nathan Landrigan
- Billy Hodil
- Chris MacDonald
- Dillon Olear
- Zach Dewey
- Michelle Bradley, Superintendent, LCSD

Row #2 (from L to R)

- Timm Slade,
Executive Director, Section VI
- Karl Griffin,
JV Boys Lacrosse Coach
- Nick Perilli
- Zachary Brown
- Nick Garlock
- Joel Schlitzer
- Tyler Stickney
- William Lyons
- Ryan Smorol
- Scott Reddinger,
Head Varsity Coach

Row #3 (From L to R)

- Zack Montanaro
- Kyle Teeter
- Andrew Bronson
- Sam Nowak
- Glenn Cascia
- Richard Hillman
- Travis Ness
- Connor Evans
- Patrick Burke,
Director of Health, P.E. and Athletics

Missing from the photo are:

- Brennan D'Angelo
- Malik Harden
- Tracy Maracle-Pitrello
- Anthony Pellicano

2013 NYSAAA Essay Leadership Winners

Pictured (L-R):
Jeff Rabey, Section VI President,
Zachary Eklum, Jamestown,
Lauren Wager, Lockport,
Timm Slade, Section VI Executive Director



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Section VI All-WNY Scholar Athletes Spring 2013

Section VI has selected the winners of the All-WNY Scholar Athlete Award for Spring 2013 sports. Of the 629 nominations; 8 were three-time winners, 51 were two-time winners, 133 were selected as first-time winners, and 437 individuals received an honorable mention.

Akron			East Aurora			Iroquois		
Softball	Alexis Kidder	2x	Boys Track	Matthew Nason	2x	Boys Tennis	Jack Smolarek	2x
Girls Track	Angela Wager	2x	Softball	Kaitlyn Kinsella	W	Boys Lacrosse	Craig Callahan	W
Girls Track	Claire Johnson	W	Girls Lacrosse	Claudia Moeller	W	Baseball	Phillip Stolarski	W
Girls Track	Jessica Lobur	W	Boys Golf	James Silliman	W	Jamestown		
Albion			Ellicottville			Girls Track Olivia Zabrodsky W		
Softball	Alison O'Hearn	2x	Boys Track	Alex Steinbroner	W	Kenmore West		
Girls Tennis	Joyce LaLonde	W	Forestville			Softball Shelby Donhauser W		
Baseball	Chris Reed	W	Softball	Emily Dillenburg	2x	Girls Track	Elizabeth Gallagher	W
Boys Track	Allen Sanford	W	Softball	Kendra Catalano	W	Softball	Bridget Gormley	W
Alden			Softball	Emily Markham	W	Girls Track	Rebecca Gourlay	W
Boys Track	Maxwell Arnold	2x	Girls Track	Meg Phillips	W	Lake Shore		
Amherst			Fredonia			Baseball Matthew Kardach 2x		
Boys Track	Mike Merrill	2x	Baseball	Christian Saden	2x	Boys Track	Kade McGarrity	2x
Girls Track	Emily Irish-Ryan	W	Softball	Nicole Szymczak	W	Boys Tennis	Connor Govenettio	W
Boys Track	Adam Murphy	W	Frewsburg			Boys Golf	Matt Kardach	W
Softball	Morgan Nagy	W	Boys Track	Jacob Caldwell	2x	Leonardo da Vinci		
Boys Lacrosse	Lauton Rushford	W	Softball	Shawna Raymond	2x	Girls Track	Gabrielle Petty	2x
Barker			Softball	Reyanne Strong	2x	Lewiston Porter		
Girls Track	Meghan Menz	3x	Baseball	Brett Johnson	W	Girls Track	Meghan Ireland	3x
Softball	Makenzi Strickland	2x	Frontier			Lockport		
Buffalo Acad/Sacred Heart			Softball	Hannah Booth	2X	Softball	Kelly Anderson	W
Girls Lacrosse	Kayla Burt	2x	Girls Track	Mary Shepard	2X	Boys Lacrosse	Zachary Dewey	W
Girls Track	Therese Mastrandrea	2x	Boys Track	Jacob Wojakowski	2X	Girls Lacrosse	Lauren Wager	W
Softball	Kelly Farrell	W	Girls Lacrosse	Hannah Christiansen	W	Maple Grove		
Chautauqua Lake			Baseball	Kevin Marcinkowski	W	Girls Track	Sara Crossley	W
Boys Track	Jeremy Lesniowski	W	Gowanda			Girls Track	Samantha Scalise	W
Girls Track	Mary Schmitz	W	Girls Track	Taylor Kickbush	W	Medina		
Cheektowaga Central			Hamburg			Boys Tennis Christopher Horgan W		
Boys Track	Dave Kerling	W	Girls Track	Brooke Dehlinger	2x	Boys Tennis	Arsalan Mustafa	W
Softball	Allison Nestico	W	Boys Track	Zach Stumpf	2x	Softball	Arden Zavitz	W
Clarence			Girls Track	Catherine Meissner	W	Newfane		
Girls Lacrosse	Allie Benkovich	3x	Boys Lacrosse	Benjamin Ott	W	Softball	Shannon Shaw	2x
Boys Lacrosse	John Binkowski	W	Boys Track	Thomas Reimondo	W	Softball	Alexis Moreland	W
Girls Lacrosse	Mariah Bona	W	Holland			Niagara Wheatfield		
Boys Track	Ryan Brodziak	W	Girls Track	Erin Izydorczak	2x	Girls Track	Payton Klidonas	2x
Boys Track	Kieran Coffey	W	Girls Track	Julia Hunt	W	Girls Lacrosse	Natalie Goeddertz	W
Softball	Sarah Quinn	W	Girls Track	Jamie Jones	W	Softball	Alexandra Gonyea	W
Boys Track	Dan Rogers	W	Baseball	Cole Kerlin	W	Girls Lacrosse	Dilpreet Kaur	W
Boys Tennis	Jacob Strauss	W	Girls Track	Nicole Schwab	W	Boys Lacrosse	Robert McMicking	W
Boys Track	Zach Wielgosz	W	Hutchinson Tech			Girls Lacrosse	Elizabeth Raymond	W
			Girls Track	Jenna Rossi	2x			

Congratulations to all winners and nominees!

The criteria for this award includes: overall grade point average of 90 or above for six semesters, starter or important reserve, seniors only.

The nomination form can be found on the Section VI website; under Site Shortcuts, Scholar Athlete or at

<http://www.section6.e1b.org/ScholarAthlete>

North Tonawanda

Baseball Jacob Clare 2x

Orchard Park

Boys Golf David Lawton W

Pioneer

Boys Track Matt Andrews W

Boys Track Sydney Taylor W

Randolph

Boys Golf Adam Ditcher W

Salamanca

Girls Track Shaelyn Smith W

Silver Creek

Softball Elizabeth Golubski W

Springville-Griffith

Girls Track Sierra Bowen 2x

Baseball William Dickinson 2x

Girls Track Alexis Lines 2x

Boys Tennis Jesse Maeder W

Starpoint

Boys Track Matthew Prohaska 2x

Boys Track Matthew Stein 2x

Boys Track Justyn Thompson W

Sweet Home

Boys Lacrosse Carter Mann 3x

Boys Track Brendan Doyle 2x

Softball Taylor Knowles 2x

Girls Track Kennedy Lewandowski 2x

Girls Track Jennifer DelSignore W

Boys Track Cian Harrigan W

Boys Tennis Chaman Sharma W

Baseball Eric Wilson W

The Park School

Boys Lacrosse HoHyun Park W

Girls Tennis Xiaowen Zhang W

West Seneca East

Girls Lacrosse Emily Barrett 2x

Boys Lacrosse Austin Powers 2x

Girls Track Rebecca Schmitt 2x

Boys Lacrosse Michael Skrzypczyk 2x

Girls Lacrosse Hayley Barblock W

Boys Tennis Cole Pawlowski W

Girls Lacrosse Hayley Sullivan W

Baseball Ryan Walczyk W

West Seneca West

Boys Lacrosse Nathaniel Woodard 3x

Baseball John Danovskis 2x

Softball Ashley Flanagan W

Boys Tennis Christopher Fritschi W

Boys Lacrosse Tyler Perna W

Boys Lacrosse Adam Zawadzki W

Williamsville East

Softball Margaret Steele 3x

Boys Track Joshua Acklin 2x

Girls Track Tavia Allen 2x

Boys Lacrosse Robert Finley W

Boys Golf Joshua Sadkin W

Williamsville North

Boys Track Tyler Casselman 3x

Girls Track Monilola Awolesi 2x

Girls Track Joy Nyaanga 2x

Boys Track Javier Blanco W

Girls Track Polina Dolgopolskaia W

Boys Tennis Chanho Park W

Girls Lacrosse Mary Principe W

Boys Tennis Christain Ruhl W

Williamsville South

Girls Lacrosse Elizabeth Hughes W

Softball Melissa Magiera W

Girls Golf Emily Marcus W

Softball Emily Marcus W

Baseball Tyler Piasecki W

Baseball Damian Powers W

Wilson

Girls Track Mallorie Gagnon 3x

Baseball Tayler Thilk 2x

Girls Track Arianna Lamb W

Boys Lacrosse Zachary Mariani W

Track & Field State Championship Results

An air of promise saturated Faller Field.

Several thousand students competed in New York State high school track and field this year, and only the best of the best advanced to Middletown High School for the state finals. Some athletes had been waiting all year for Saturday.

"This is the best experience ever," said Clarence's Ben Reinhardt, who finished eighth in the boys 800-meter run. "I think about states all the time, every day."

Reinhardt was one of the 110 Greater Buffalo-area athletes who competed at the state championships. Six returned home as state public schools champions, while another didn't capture a championship but did return home as a Section VI record-holder.

Lancaster's Jenn Thill (Division I pole vault) and Frontier's McKyla Brooks (Division I triple jump) were among the big winners among the girls from Western New York.

Others winning state titles included Maple Grove's Christina Walter (Division II 100 meter), Alden's Miranda Daucher (Division II discus), Cheektowaga's Stephanie Lombardo (Division II shotput), and the Amherst girls Division II 4x100 relay of Josette Dawson, Emily Irish-Ryan, Gabie Montalbano and Amina Lewis won the title in 49.83.

Meanwhile TJ Hornberger broke the 4-year-old Section VI record in the boys Division I 3,200.

Thill, the indoor state champion in the pole vault, added the outdoor title to her resume.

Thill woke up feeling sick to her stomach, which got her blood pumping with nerves. Thanks to some therapy shortly before the final, she wound up pumping her fist in mid-air as she landed the winning vault.

Thill went for a walk while wearing a cold towel and listening to music – a mix her coach, Mike Kozlowski, assembled for the state meet. The strategy worked, as she soared 12 feet, 3 inches, winning via tiebreaker.

"It's how I always wanted it to end up, going out with a bang," said Thill, who will compete at UB in the fall.

Brooks is a sophomore who has made the state finals every year since eighth grade. Heading into the meet, she was aiming for first place in the long jump, where she qualified No. 1 and ended up placing fourth. But in the triple jump, it was her leap of 38-8 that proved to be golden.

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Frontier's McKyla Brooks leaps to victory in the triple jump.

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Walter, the Maple Grove junior, didn't let a stress fracture (leg) slow her down. She won the 100 state title for the second year in a row, finishing in 12.20.

A state medal is not the only exceptional honor Walter has attained this year. She also scored a perfect 2,400 SAT.

So, which is better? Walter said states, all the way.

Daucher won the discus with a toss of 133-9. Lombardo finished second with a throw of 128-5.

Lombardo broke through in the shotput, winning with a throw of 39-¾.

Williamsville South's Devon Patterson took second in the boys Division I shot put.

Patterson entered as the No. 1 seed, and he was disappointed with his finish. His throw of 61-1¾ fell short against Benjamin Bonhurst's 61-11.

"I wanted to throw over 63," Patterson said. "I just didn't have it in me."

Patterson will compete at the World Youth Trials June 25-26. And as for his mentality next year, his senior season?

"It's gasoline ignited right now," he said. "I'm coming back with a vengeance."

"I've never felt that fast before," Hornberger said of his two-mile race time, which bested his 2012 state final by 21 seconds. "I think it was everything: It was the conditions, environment and everyone I was racing against."

In boys Division II, Gene Baritot of East Aurora took second in the steeplechase (9:31:58). Teammate Sean Phillips took third in the 3,200, while Phillips along with Rob Coulter, Brendan Keany and Matt McLaughlin helped EA place third in the 4x800 relay.

Section VI went 2-3 in the pole vault behind the efforts of state runner-up Justyn Haines (Albion) and Chris Doubek (Randolph). James Hanners of Cheektowaga placed third in discus, while Tonawanda's 4x400 relay of Jacob Choate, Nathan Holler, Phil Giuga and Robert Liebel also took third.

Western New York took third and fourth in the girls Division I shot put. Lancaster's McKenzie Kuehlewind tossed 42-3½ and Grand Island's Jesse Dhaliwall threw 41-10¼".

The Lockport boys 4x100 relay came in third in Division I in 42.72.

In Division II girls, Falconer's MacKenzie Wright took second in the triple jump. EA's Megan Baritot finished third in the steeplechase.

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