Next Athletic Council Meeting

May 24, 2006 10:30 AM

New location:
Erie 1 BOCES Education Campus
355 Harlem Rd., West Seneca
Building B - Room B2b

Action Items:
Appointments: Section VI President Elect and Sportchair Positions
(see page 6 for nominees)

Discussion Items:
Section VI Transportation Policy
Current status: Centralized Management of Officials

Scholar/Athlete Team Awards
Winter 2005-2006 State Champions

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

Centralized Management of Sports Officials

Section VI member districts have been asked to respond by MAY 15, to a recent inquiry regarding participation with LeagueMinder and/or the payment-of-officials through BOCES for 2006-07. A summary of the cooperative efforts of Section VI and BOCES toward centralized management of officials for 2005-06 (see page 15) was enclosed.

For the reasons noted in this summary, Section VI encourages all districts to participate in this management system with a subscription to LeagueMinder. In addition, the option is available to each district to participate in the Payment-Of-Officials by BOCES. Because this management effort complies with the SED regulations regarding Board of Cooperative Educational Services, the costs with respect to both the annual subscription and the optional payment program are BOCES aidable for the 2006-07 school year.

The payment-of-officials program has operated successfully for the piloted sports (girls soccer, boys basketball, indoor track) at 5 districts. It is currently underway for spring track at 12 districts participating for 2005-06. For the 2006-07 school year, the program which is open to all districts, will be expanded to include payment of officials in each of the following sports for all levels:

- **Fall:** Girls soccer, boys soccer, cross country and field hockey
- **Winter:** Boys basketball, girls basketball and indoor track
- **Spring:** Track and field, boys lacrosse and girls lacrosse

In addition, LeagueMinder recently developed an auto-assign capability for Section VI schools. This function will be reviewed and piloted in the near future.
Structure & Policy Review Committee

President Kathy Faber will be convening an Ad Hoc Committee to review all aspects of the NYSPHSAA so that we are better equipped to provide the very best opportunities for our student athletes. Sections have been asked to provide the names of three representatives to be considered for appointment to the committee.

NFHS Sports Safety Materials

On the NFHS web site (www.nfhs.org) the following materials are available for downloading: Heat Stress and Athletic Participation, Reducing Brain and Spinal Injuries, Recommendations For Hydration To Prevent Heat Illness.

Scholar Athlete Team Award Deadline

The deadline for submitting Scholar Athlete Team forms is Friday, May 19th. Schools with 100% of their varsity teams as Scholar Athlete team recipients may submit for the School of Distinction Award. The deadline for submitting Scholar Athlete forms is in June 30th.

Spring Championship Dates And Sites

Boys Tennis
June 1-3 National Tennis Center (NYC)

Boys Golf
June 3-5 Cornell University (4)

Girls Golf
June 4-5 Fox Fire Golf Club (3)

Boys Lacrosse
June 8 (Semi) USMA/Syracuse
June 10 (Finals) Stony Brook University (11)

Track & Field
June 9-10 St. Lawrence University (10)

Girls Lacrosse
June 9-10 SUNY Cortland (3)

Softball
June 10 Cicero No Syracuse (3)

Baseball
June 10 Binghamton/Endicott (4)

Federation Golf
June 11 Carvel Country Club (9)

Coaches Clinics

(Brochures have been mailed)

May 19th
Soccer @ Soccer Hall of Fame - Oneonta

June 16th
Volleyball @ SUNY Oneonta

Future Rule Changes Boys Lacrosse

In 2008 all jerseys shall be of a single, solid color with specific trim specifications (NFHS rule 1-9-1).

NCAA Update

The NCAA has established an Amateurism Clearinghouse for all international and domestic prospective student athletes and transfer student athletes. One of their purposes will be to create competitive equity in the recruiting process for their Division I and II institutions. This will affect all prospects entering Division I or II institutions on or after August 1, 2007. The Amateurism Clearinghouse will begin in late May 2006 and be available on the same web site as the Initial Eligibility Clearinghouse. More information is available at http://www1.ncaa.org/membership/ach/index.

SED

Pat Kocialski is taking over for Kent Gray as the new Associate Director in Physical Education with SED. She can be reached at 518-474-5922 or pkocials@mail.nysed.gov.

NYSPHSAA Reminders

- Dues increase for 2006-2007: Association dues will be increasing for the 2006-2007 school year. The base district fee will be raised by $50 to $700 and the per-pupil cost will rise .05 to .75 cents per student (over 300) in grades 7-12.

- Future Meeting Dates:
  August 9-11, 2006
  Holiday Inn, Grand Island
  October 30, 2006
  Holiday Inn Turf, Albany
  January 25-26, 2007
  Saratoga
  May 4-5, 2007
  Holiday Inn, Carrier Circle

NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Action

The following items were approved by the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee at the May 5th meeting:

Handbook Revisions - approved

- Unsportsmanlike Conduct – pg. 71b, line 5 Add: “The contest in which the athlete was disqualified must count in the total maximum number of contests permitted.

- Practice Sessions – pg. 68b, line 4. Add: “A practice session conducted on the same day as a game cannot be counted to meet the minimum practice requirement to be eligible for that day's contest.” Please note - participation in a warm up prior to a contest may not count as a required practice.

- Code of Conduct – “I understand my responsibilities to my athlete(s) and expectations of my behavior.” (For the coaches sign-off on the Code of Conduct)

- Transfer Rule - Exemptions to (b)
Editorial change: “For athletic eligibility a student must enroll in the public school district or in a private school within that district’s boundaries of his/her parents’ residency.”

General

- Price Increase - Rule Books and scorebooks will increase in price by 25 cents and $1.00 respectively beginning with the 2006-2007 winter season.

- Non Sanctioned Events - A letter of notification will be sent to schools who sponsor participation in non-sanctioned athletic events informing the Chief School Officer, Athletic Administrator and Section Executive Director of the violation.

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### 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 that earn a 90.0% or higher average during their sport season qualify for the NYSPHSAA award. The Pupil Benefits Plan, Inc. became the co-sponsor of the program in 1995.

**Section VI Team Award Winners – Winter 2006**

#### Boys Basketball
- Barker HS ............... 94.526
- Frontier HS ............. 94.281
- Medina HS ............... 92.976
- Niagara-Wheatfield HS ... 92.857
- Springville HS ........... 92.763
- Cleveland Hill HS ....... 92.728
- Williamsville East HS ... 92.500
- Iroquois HS ............. 92.471
- Falconer HS ............. 92.440
- Ellicottville Central School . 92.371
- Clarence HS ............. 92.172
- Cassadaga Valley HS ... 91.794
- Albion HS ............... 91.755
- Westfield HS ............ 91.599
- Kenmore West HS ....... 91.564
- Akron HS ............. 91.115
- Olean HS .............. 91.043
- Maryvale HS ........... 91.004
- Portville HS ............ 90.851
- Allegany-Limestone HS ... 90.824
- North Tonawanda HS ... 90.600
- Southwestern HS ....... 90.453
- Wilson HS .............. 90.414
- Williamsville North HS ... 90.349
- Alden HS ................. 90.297
- Pioneer HS ............. 90.241
- Grand Island HS ....... 90.194
- Newfane HS ............... 90.190
- Fredonia HS ............ 90.023

#### Girls Basketball
- Wilson HS ............... 97.200
- Ellicottville Central School . 96.600
- Southwestern HS ....... 96.253
- Niagara-Wheatfield HS ... 96.143
- Brocton HS ............... 95.977
- Franklinville HS ....... 95.971
- Medina HS ............... 95.903
- Portville HS ............ 95.780
- Depew HS .............. 95.529
- Orchard Park HS ........ 95.478
- Frontier HS ............. 95.404
- Pioneer HS ............. 95.388
- Cattaraugus-Little Valley HS 95.292
- Sherman Central School .... 95.286
- Hamburg HS ........... 94.914
- Albion HS ............... 94.818
- Allegany-Limestone HS ... 94.817
- Alden HS .............. 94.811
- Williamsville East HS ... 94.756
- West Seneca East HS .... 94.749
- Cheektowaga HS ........ 94.671
- Barker HS .............. 94.483
- Clarence HS ............ 94.346
- Iroquois HS ............. 94.200

#### Boys Bowling
- East Aurora HS ........ 94.174
- Olean HS .............. 94.114
- Cassadaga Valley HS ... 94.036
- Williamsburg North HS .... 94.020
- Akron HS .............. 93.768
- Springville HS ........ 93.159
- Westfield HS ........... 93.962
- Kenmore East HS ....... 93.453
- Cleveland Hill HS ...... 92.229
- Kenmore West HS ...... 92.214
- Newfane HS ............. 92.004
- Falconer HS ............. 91.966
- Maryvale HS ........... 91.506
- West Valley HS ........ 91.293
- Fredonia HS ............ 91.024
- Grand Island HS ....... 90.809
- Amherst Central HS .... 90.763
- John F. Kennedy HS ... 90.483
- Sweet Home HS .......... 90.197
- Salamanca HS ........... 90.086

#### Girls Bowling
- Clarence HS ............ 95.518
- Cheektowaga HS ........ 95.229
- Holland HS ............. 94.561
- Frontier HS ............. 94.417
- Maryvale HS ........... 94.274
- Eden HS .............. 94.086
- Sweet Home HS ........ 93.480
- Iroquois HS ............. 93.443
- Depew HS .............. 93.371
- Williamsburg East HS .... 93.253
- North Tonawanda HS .... 92.951
- East Aurora HS .......... 92.933
- Williamsville North HS ... 92.666
- West Seneca West HS .... 92.510
- Pioneer HS ............. 92.194

#### Girls Gymnastics (fall teams)
- Frontier Senior HS ...... 96.894
- Lancaster HS ............ 96.73
- Hamburg HS ............. 96.586
- Williamsburg North HS ... 95.466
- Clarence Senior HS ....... 95.436
- Lewiston-Porter Senior HS . 93.233
- Williamsville East HS .... 93.094
- Sweet Home Senior HS .... 92.689
- Maryvale HS ............ 91.226
- Kenmore West HS ....... 90.447

#### Ice Hockey
- Williamsville North HS ... 94.280
- Frontier HS .............. 94.203
- Williamsville East HS ... 93.665
- Kenmore West HS ....... 92.667
- Sweet Home HS ........ 90.634

#### Rifle
- Kenmore West HS ....... 95.021
- Alden HS .............. 92.856
- Lancaster HS ........... 92.720
- Iroquois HS ............. 90.781
- Kenmore East HS ....... 90.472

#### Boys Indoor Track
- Clarence HS ............ 96.385
- North Tonawanda HS .... 95.508
- Williamsville North HS ... 95.119
- Newfane HS .............. 94.256
- Frontier HS ............. 94.122
- Iroquois HS .............. 94.109
- Lancaster HS ............ 94.093
- Hamburg HS ............ 93.200
- Williamsville East HS .... 92.924
- Depew HS .............. 92.383
- Sweet Home HS ........ 92.173
- Maryvale HS ............ 91.813
- Pioneer HS ............. 91.303
- Amherst Central HS ...... 91.207
- Kenmore East HS ....... 91.197

#### Girls Indoor Track
- Frontier HS .............. 96.380
- Hamburg HS ............ 95.925
- North Tonawanda HS .... 95.883
- Williamsville North HS ... 95.841
- Williamsville East HS .... 95.683
- Lancaster HS ............ 95.421
- Clarence HS ............ 94.947
- West Seneca West HS .... 94.590
- Kenmore West HS ....... 94.397
- Sweet Home HS ........ 94.310
- Lake Shore HS ............ 94.250
- Iroquois HS ............. 94.218
- Depew HS .............. 93.842
- Maryvale HS ............ 93.559
- Pioneer HS ............. 92.594
- Springville HS ........ 92.168
- Kenmore East HS ....... 90.983
- West Seneca East HS .... 90.697

#### Boys Swimming & Diving
- Williamsville East HS ... 95.508
- Sweet Home HS ........ 94.942
- Hamburg HS ............. 94.182
- Iroquois HS ............. 93.781
- East Aurora HS ........ 93.713
- Starpoint HS ............ 93.651
- Williamsville North HS ... 93.588
- Newfane HS ............. 93.411
- Olean HS .............. 93.223
- Clarence HS ............ 92.488
- Medina HS .............. 91.709
- Niagara-Wheatfield HS ... 91.545
- City Honors School ....... 91.285
- Cleveland Hill HS ....... 91.262
- Cheektowaga HS ........ 91.245
- Albion HS .............. 90.813
- Fredonia HS ............. 90.718
- Grand Island HS ....... 90.658
- Alden HS .............. 90.392
- Southwestern HS ....... 90.199
- Lancaster HS ............ 90.147

#### Girls Swimming & Diving
- Medina HS .............. 95.355
- Akron HS .............. 94.854
- Albion HS .............. 92.924
- Barker HS .............. 91.604
- Newfane HS ............. 90.629
- City Honors School ....... 90.021

#### Wrestling
- Williamsville North HS ... 94.238
- Clarence HS ............ 94.134
- Williamsville East HS ... 93.895
- Depew HS .............. 93.750
- Falconer HS ............. 93.076
- Southwestern HS ....... 93.049
- East Aurora HS ........ 92.617
- Kenmore West HS ....... 92.276
- Orchard Park HS ........ 92.270
- Albion HS .............. 90.718
- Niagara-Wheatfield HS ... 90.300
CONGRATULATIONS

Section VI Winter State Scholar/Athlete Champions

Wilson Girls Basketball - *State Champion* with a team GPA of 97.200

Congratulations to members of the Wilson Varsity Girls Basketball Team for being named the New York State Public High School Athletic Association’s Team Scholar Athlete State Champion! The state scholar team award is the third won by Wilson, the previous two times coming in volleyball. Last year’s girls basketball team finished second.

“It makes me feel great. I think our whole school and community are very proud of this accomplishment,” said Larry Lash, the head coach of the Lakewomen for the past 13 years. “This is all about the girls and their parents and teachers…they got good grades because they’re good students.”

The prestigious state honor was based on the combined un-weighted averages of seven of the players, who will share the award. Meagan Diez, Amy Frauen, Mary Gorman, Lauren Howe, Stephanie Reagan, Kari Seabert and Katie Wolcott boasted a combined grade point (unweighted) average of 97.2 to earn the honor. “The whole team celebrates in this award. If we took averages of all 16 players, we would still have an average above 90 percent,” Lash said. The Wilson Girls Basketball team finished 5-7 this past season in the Niagara-Orleans League and was 9-13 overall.

Section VI Executive Secretary Robert Dinse presented the team and coach Lash with the award and banner at a special meeting at W.H. Stevenson Elementary School.


Frontier Girls Gymnastics (fall team) - *State Champion* with a team GPA of 96.894

Congratulations to members of the Frontier Varsity Girls Gymnastics Team for being named the New York State Public High School Athletic Association’s Team Scholar Athlete Champions! The team’s 96.894 average ranks 3rd highest of all 15 Scholar Athlete state champions in girls gymnastics since the program’s inception. The team of 11 varsity members placed first out of 67 teams in the state in 2005-06. Frontier and Hamburg are the only schools in Section 6 to earn the championship in this sport. 5 of the top 8 schools in the 2005-06 final standings in girls gymnastics were from Section 6, making Section 6 the most competitive section in girls gymnastics academically.

This is Frontier’s first Scholar athlete state championship in girls gymnastics and its fourth title in the past 8 years.

Sitting: (left to right) Coach Nicole Haberer, Kelsey Kryszak, Corinne Miller, Megan Maher, Mallory Dickman and Vicki Samborski.

Standing: Kristen Hibit, Section VI Executive Secretary Robert Dinse, Christie Jordan, Christina Stone, Rhiana Schwartzott, Riley Schwartzott, Casey Orth, Deanna Brockman, School Board Vice President Nancy Wood, Amanda Paolini, and Frontier High School Principal Michael Baumann.

Not pictured: Rachel Kinner, Amy Stanley, Amber Tavakoli, and Kelly Young.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STATE SCHOLAR ATHLETE CHAMPIONS!!!
O’Rourke/Martinez
Claim State/Federation Diving Titles
Excerpted from an article by Miguel Rodriguez, Buffalo News

Clarence’s Travis Martinez and Grand Island’s Ian O’Rourke and have earned their share of state swimming and diving championship awards during their scholastic careers.

Martinez, a senior participating in his fourth state meet, became the first Clarence swimmer in 20 years to win a championship when he captured the 200-yard freestyle. It was a perfectly swum race. In the past, he had attacked the race aggressively, taken an early lead, only to fade in the end and fall back in the standings. It was the contention that if he could swim the first half of the 200 a bit more under control and remain within striking distance from the leaders that Travis would have a great chance of coming home faster than anyone in the race. This strategy paid off as Travis started to pull away from the field with 50 yards to go. He finished in an Automatic All-American time of 1:41.10. Martinez broke his own school record for the second consecutive day by swimming the fastest back half of the event for his career (52.12 seconds). He took the lead 75 yards into the race and never relinquished it. The last Red Devil to win a 200 individual medley state was Travis’ current coach Eric McClaren. Martinez also set a school record and earned Automatic All-American honors during his second-place finish in the 100 free finishing in 46.35 seconds. Travis holds school records in the 100 free, 200 free, 500 free, and 400 free relay and is considering attending college at NC State and Missouri.

O’Rourke, a junior at Grand Island High School, not only defended his New York State Public High School diving championship, but earned the right to be called the undisputed champion by earning his first Federation crown. He edged Mike McDowell, of Rush-Henrietta in Section 5 by 31.85 points. O’Rourke tallied 530.15 points for 11 dives, amassing 164.75 on his final three attempts of the competition.

O’Rourke hit all three of his dives – a back 1 ½ summersault with 1 ½ twist, front 2 ½ summersault pike and inward 2 ½ summersault tuck. The key to his success was consistently being able to hit his dives cleanly. Ian is a competitive diver in the J.O. Program as well as high school. His High School Achievements in 11 Dive Meets include:

• 1st Place Section 6 Championships, 2004, 2003)
• 1st Place at NYS High School Federation Title (2006, runner-up in 2005)

While maintaining a 3.5 GPA, Ian has been involved in many additional activities including coordinating events for Grand Island’s SADD program, working as an editor for Grand Island High School’s Yearbook, coaching the Girl’s and Boy’s Diving Team for Grand Island’s Swimming and Diving 2004-2006 Seasons and assisting with coaching Grand Island’s Girls’ High School Gymnastics Team. Currently, he trains at the University of Buffalo with the Wing’s Diving team coached by Karla Helder.

Congratulations are extended to both Ian and Travis, the only western New Yorkers to capture championships at the state meet!

Steelers Win State Championship!! by Coach Tim Foley

The Lackawanna High School Boys Varsity Basketball team won the 2006 New York State Public High School Athletic Association Class B championship beating Somers-JFK of Section 1, 67 to 50 at the Glens Falls Civic Center. Junior swingman Marcus Rivers led the Steelers with 25 points, which included 6 three-point baskets. Forwards Lesean Braxton and Steve Kozaczka both recorded double-doubles, with Braxton scoring 20 points to go along with 10 rebounds, while Kozaczka added 14 points and 13 rebounds. Russell Holt, Leshawn Blackburn and Curtis Underwood all played extremely well for the team. Lesean Braxton was named the tournament’s Most Valuable Player, with Marcus Rivers also being named to the all-tournament team. Steve Kozaczka won the tournament’s Sportsmanship award. This is the school’s first state championship in 27 years, with the last one coming in 1979.

The Steelers advanced to the championship game by defeating Wyandanch of Long Island, 68 to 45. The semifinal game was a total team effort, with 5 players scoring in double figures, led by Lesean Braxton’s 17 points. Curtis Underwood and Russell Holt both played an outstanding defensive game, holding Wyandanch’s best player to only 2 field goals in the second half.

The Steelers finished the season with a school record 26 wins, with only 2 losses. The team was ranked # 1 in the Buffalo News Small School’s poll the entire season. (for the 2nd consecutive year), as well as finishing ranked #3 in the New York State Sportswriters Association Class B poll. In addition to their state championship, the Steelers also won their 2nd consecutive Section VI Class B championship and their 5th consecutive ECIC Division IV championship and were the New York State Western Regional champions for the first time since 1989.

The Steelers were led this season by All-Western New York selection, Lesean Braxton. Lesean, a senior, averaged nearly 18 points to go along with 10 rebounds per game. He was also selected as ECIC Division IV Player of the Year, as well as being an ALL-ECIC 1st team selection. Also named to the All-Western New York team was junior Marcus Rivers. Marcus averaged 15 points and 8 rebounds per game, as well as being named a 1st team ECIC Division IV all-star and 2nd team ALL-ECIC. Senior Steve Kozaczka, who averaged 10 points, 10 rebounds and nearly 5 blocked shots per game was named a 1st team ECIC Division IV selection for the second year in a row. Junior Leshawn Blackburn was a 2nd ECIC Division IV selection, while fellow junior, Russell Holt was an honorable mention selection. The team was coached this year by Tim Foley, his assistants were: Mike Popek, Mike Morris, Dennis Schimpf and Kevin Shadle.
Nominations Being Accepted

Section VI positions open for nominations are: Section VI President Elect, all Fall Sport Chairperson positions and Boys Swimming Chairperson. Any member in good standing of the professional staff of a member school may serve as a Sport Chairperson. Appointments will be made at the Athletic Council meeting May 24. The President Elect will serve a term of two years beginning Sept. 1, 2006. President Elect Nominations: Mike Wendt, Wilson. The Fall Chairpersons will be appointed for a three-year term to expire June 30, 2009. Current nominees are:

- Cross Country-B: Mike Janisch
- Cross Country-G: James Zubler
- Field Hockey: Judith Otto
- Football: Charles Funke
- Football Asst.: Chuck Amo
- Gymnastics-B: Joseph Buscaglia
- Gymnastics-G: Donna Aquino
- Soccer-B: Art Jaspe
- Soccer-B Asst: Patrick Anderson
- Soccer-G: Chris Durr
- Soccer-G Asst: Meg Thompson
- Swimming-G: Bruce Johnson
- Tennis-G: A. Anne Smith
- Volleyball-B: Walt Stefani
- Volleyball-G: Debby Schruefer & Sue Pernick (as co-chairs)

The Boys Swim Chairperson will be appointed to complete the current term expiring June 30, 2008. There are no nominations as of this printing.

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

Senior All-Star and Outside Agency Contests

Athletic Directors and coaches: Please note that as of May 1, 2006, the only Senior All Star Contests that have been sanctioned by Section VI and the NYSPHSAA for spring are:

Baseball: Catt Co. Senior All-Star at Allegany-Limestone HS on 6/15/06, cosponsor Allegany-Limestone

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.”
- “A contestant may compete in no more than one approved All-Star contest in the same sport during the school year.”

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.
Lockport Girls Bowlers Shine at State Tournament Again

The Lockport High School girls bowling team, coached by Steve Jarosch, captured their 3rd state championship in 5 consecutive State Championship Tournaments since 2002! They threw an 1123 total in game 5 to run away with the championship with a 224 average. Some highlights:

- 2006 State Champions (6036 pin total)
- Kerri Meden (11th grader) led the girls tournament with a 6 game total of 1326 (221 average).
- Marion Singleton (12th grader) was the second highest girl in the tournament with a 6-game total of 1280 (213 average).

6-Game Tournament Breakdown

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- Girls threw an 1123 total in game 5 to run away with the championship (224 average).
- Lockport girls’ 3rd championship in 5 consecutive State Championship tournaments (2002-present).

Dates to Remember

May 15  Deadline for districts to indicate participation with LeagueMinder and/or payment-of-officials through BOCES for 2006-07
May 15  Deadline for All-WNY Spring Scholar Athlete applications to the Section office
May 19  Deadline for State Spring Scholar/Athlete Team Award Applications
May 19  Soccer Coaching Clinic at Hall of Fame, Oneonta
May 24  Athletic Council & Exec Comm meetings, 10:30 am at Erie 1 BOCES Education Campus, 355 Harlem Road, West Seneca.
May 30  Good Sports Assessments: State & Section award winners selected
June 14  Executive Committee Meeting, Distance Learning sites TBA
June 15-23 Regents Examinations
June 16  Volleyball Coaching Clinic at SUNY Oneonta
Aug. 9-11  State Central Committee Meeting, Holiday Inn - Grand Island

Reminder: Selection Classification

Athletic Directors take note

As per the Selection Classification Guidelines and Procedures published by the State Education Department (Commissioner's Regulations 135.4) page 4 under Director of PE/Athletics Responsibilities for Implementation it reads: “Mail notices to all schools and Section officials announcing the students approved to participate in the Selection/Classification Program and listing their athletic performance scores.” The form required is posted on the Section VI Website www.section6.wnyric.org click on Forms and info, scan down to Selection Classification and click on Notification of Qualifications. When completed, this form should be faxed to the Section office as well as all schools that you compete against in that sport.
### All WNY Individual & Team Recognition
#### For Outstanding Sportsmanship

**Winter 2005 – 2006**

**Boys Basketball**
- Buffalo: Hutch Tech (Chazmen Hooker)
- Chaut-1: Allegany Limestone (Dave Kolkowski)
- Chaut-2: Cassadaga Valley (Jon Martin)
- Catt-3: West Valley (Troy Smith)
- NO: Roy-Hart (Brandon Guild)
- Msgr Martin: St. Joe’s (Dominic Cook)

**Girls Basketball**
- Buffalo: Emerson (Markita Quarles)
- Chaut-1: Olean (Molly Redden)
- Chaut-2: Cassadaga Valley (Kari Barmore)
- Chaut-2: Catt, Little Valley (Brittany Barr)
- Catt: Franklinville (Audrey Shofer)
- ECIC – 1: Lancaster (Brittany Heist)
- ECIC – 2: Amherst (Fran Holoman)
- ECIC – 3: Williamson South (Kate Ostroot)
- ECIC – 4: Cleveland Hill (Alysaa Syms)
- NFL: Lockport (Erin Murphy)
- NO: Royalton Hartland (Jessica Smith)
- Msgr Martin: Sacred Heart (Elyse Monte)

**Boys Bowling**
- Buffalo: Hutch Tech (Paul Ketterer)
- Chaut: Randolph (Jon Bradshaw)
- ECIC: Clarence (Tim Frenz)
- NFL: Niagara Falls (Mark Tuteski)

**Girls Bowling**
- Buffalo: Hutch Tech (Ashley Dietz)
- Cattaraugus: Brocton (Ashley Baker)
- ECIC: Frontier (Ally Harvey)
- NFL: Kenmore West (Sara Greck)

**Ice Hockey**
- Federation – White: Williamsville South (Vinnie Caputi)
- Federation – Blue: Kenmore West (Eric Kieffer)
- Federation – Red: Williamsville North (Pat Mulvihill)

**Boys Indoor Track**
- Division A: Lockport (John Haenle)
- Division B: Lancaster (Josh Durkin)
- Division C: Frontier (Cameron Gallson)
- Division D: Pioneer (Cory Pixley)

**Girls Indoor Track**
- Division A: Clarence (Gina Adornetto)
- Division B: Williamsburg South (Katie Johnson)
- Division C: Orchard Park (Christine Sprehe)
- Division D: Jamestown (Kailie Harvey)

**Rifle**
- ECIC: Clarence (Ryan Young)

**Boys Swimming**
- Buffalo: South Park (David America)
- Chaut: Southwestern (Kevin Barry)
- ECIC: Orchard Park (Joe Callagaerti)
- NFL: Kenmore East (Ben Daigler)
- NO: Albion (Marty Stirk)

**Girls Swimming**
- Buffalo: South Park (Emily Hart)
- NO: Newfane (Shannon Strong)

**Wrestling**
- CCIAA – 1: Allegany Limestone (John Crisafulli)
- CCIAA – 2: Portville (Joe Holcomb)
- CCIAA – 3: Randolph (Tim McElwain)
- ECIC – 1: Hamburg (Zach Shouldice)
- ECIC – 2: Amherst (Jake Turley)
- ECIC – 3: Eden (Mike Bunn)
- NFL: Lewiston Porter (Matt Bunke)
- NO: Wilson (Michael Carlo)
Stamp out Hazing

We have known for decades that hazing is taking place in our high schools. It has been closely connected to athletics as a ritual for team membership. Hazing is often grounded in drinking, humiliation and/or physical abuse. The best indicator of hazing is “intent.” Is the primary intent to humiliate? If so, it is hazing. What can be done?

- Set clear rules and guidelines against hazing. Establish and enforce consequences for violations.
- Talk to student athletes and their parents at preseason meetings about expectations, rules, etc. regarding hazing. You may wish to have them sign a contract, witnessed by parents and coaches, agreeing to no participation in hazing activities or in any other problem behaviors such as the use of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs.
- Act as a unified front against hazing...administration, faculty, athletic director and coaches.
- Make team building a priority since hazing is often erroneously viewed as a “bonding” activity. Incorporate life skills in everything you do. Learning to think for oneself and making good decisions can be one of the gifts given to young people by athletics.
- Involve parents and the community at large. They must be involved, educated, and asked to be allies against hazing.
- Own the problem for what it is “DANGEROUS” and a “LIABILITY”.
- Utilize student athlete leaders to role model appropriate behavior and to take a stand against hazing. Involve them in finding solutions to the problem.
- Teach adults how to recognize the signs and symptoms of hazing and initiation rites. Give them information on how to prevent and intervene if necessary.
- Help student athletes refuse to take part in inappropriate activities. In order to save face, they often need an adult on whom to place “blame” when refusing.
- Act on hazing incidences swiftly. Invoke consequences even if it means losing players from the team.
- Give zealous attention to change the cultural traditions around hazing and initiations. Turning one’s head, and minimizing the problem, only reinforces hazing and gives tacit approval to youth to continue the tradition.
- Create initiation rites and rituals that are healthy to replace hazing traditions. The power of rituals can be used for good.
- Notice what is going on with student athletes. Pay attention to what you see and hear. Don’t ignore evidence that hazing is being planned or has already occurred…silence is assent.
- Give consideration to monitoring places where student athletes could get into trouble, i.e. gyms, locker rooms, playing fields, and buses.

It takes support from the community, the school and inclusion of youth to create a healthy environment for young people. Make certain your athletic program takes its rightful place in the development of youth. REMEMBER: If you’re not a part of the solution, you’re a part of the problem!

Time out for a sport thought…..

What does it mean to be a “student of the game”? Are you a student of the game? What do you do to keep learning your game? Do coaches have an obligation to attend coaching clinics and meetings to gain knowledge about their sport? To read the latest literature on their sport?

Are your players more knowledgeable about the game after playing for you for a season? After playing for you for several years?
Will North Hockey Team Claims State Title Again

The Williamsville North High School Boys Varsity Hockey team captured its third state championship in five years in a 1-0 victory over Aquinas (Section 5). The Spartans completed the season with a 25-3-0 record and ranked No. 1 in the New York State polls for most of the year.

Senior goalie Jorden Komm was named the tournament M.V.P. in shutting out Aquinas and defeating Canton (Section 10) 4-1 in the semi-finals. Ryan Clifford, Kenny Joseph and Ryan Geary were also named to the All-Tournament team. Head Coach Bob Rosen was named as New York State Division 1 Coach of the Year.

Skaneatles W 5 2 Baldwinsville W 3 1 St. Joe’s W 3 1
Massena W 5 1 Kenmore East W 9 2 St. Francis W 4 1
Lancaster L 4 2 Sweet Home W 2 1 Canisius W 5 1
Canisius L 4 3 Williamson East W 5 2 Amherst W 5 0
Shenedehowa W 3 2 Kenmore West W 8 1 Williamson South W 4 1
LaSalle W 4 0 Frontier W 9 6 Seton Catholic W 4 0
Penfield W 12 0 Canisius L 3 2 Canton W 4 1
St. Joe’s W 3 1 Lancaster W 6 2 Aquinas W 1 0
Whitesboro W 6 1 Frontier W 3 2

Section 6 and Gerevics Repeat as State Champions
Clarence Wins High School Crown

On March 4th of this year, Section 6 again won the Sectional Competition at the Regional Rifle Match at West Point Military Academy. This was the 3rd consecutive year that the Sectional Team was #1. The 6 member Sectional Team fired a score of 1678.48. The closest competitor, Section 3 came in 2nd with a score of 1589.38. Firing on the Sectional Team were Rebecca Gerevics (Alden) - 284.11 (2nd Overall), Ken Krueger (AL) - 283.10 (3rd), Lauren Pundt (Clarence) - 280.09, (4th), Bob Belko (CL) – 278.07 (5th), Allison Lankes (CL) -277.03 (7th), and Ryan Young (CL) -276.08 (8th). The Clarence High School Team of (L.Pundt, Belko, Lankes and Young) posted a score of 1111.04 to win the .22 cal High School Competition. Central Square (Sec.3) was second with a score of 1084.031. Clarence last won this title in 1976.

In the Air Rifle competition. Section 6 won the sectional crown. The 6 member Team of Gerevics – 284.13 (11th), L. Pundt – 279.09 (3rd), Young-279.09 (8th), Krueger – 271.08 (12th), Lankes – 269.08 (14th), and Krista Pundt – 268.05, posted a score of 1648.052. Their closest competitor, Section 8 fired a score of 1588.46. Rebecca Gerevics (Alden) was declared the STATE CHAMPION in Air Rifle. Becc set a state record when she fired the 284.13 in Air Rifle. In 2005, Gerevics was the state kneeling champion. Clarence won the high school competition with a score of 1093.031 (State Record). Their closes competitor was Middletown (Sec. 9) with a score of 1085.

In summary, Section 6 won both sectional titles – .22 cal. Rifle and air rifle while Clarence High School won both High School Titles.
CONGRATULATIONS to the Buffalo News/Section VI
All-Western New York Academic Winter Sports Teams 2006

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.

**Boys Basketball**
- Ramon Andino, Albion
- Angelo Belliotti, Fredonia
- Jordan Blair, Orchard Park
- Greg Blette, Frontier
- Daren Card, Falconer
- Patrick Covert, Eden
- Taylor Ebsary, Amherst
- Don Gleason, Frontier
- Joe Haskell, Pioneer
- Patrick Hines, Williamsville East
- Joseph Kephart, Niagara Wheatfield
- Alex Koss, Clarence
- Mike Lawless, St. Francis
- Kevin Manzella, Fredonia
- Ben Spitler, St. Joe's

**Girls Basketball**
- Mallory Bousher, Lewiston-Porter
- Meagan Diez, Wilson
- Riley Eckert, Brocton
- Jessica Fay, Holland
- Natalie Hojnacki, Nardin
- Melissa Kanalley, Cardinal O'Hara
- Alanna Klose, Fredonia
- Molly McKeown, Olean
- Laura Mullane, Mt. St. Mary
- Jocelyn O'Steen, East
- Jennifer Reed, Cardinal O'Hara
- Lauren Shermet, Frontier
- Lisa Skrypnik, Albion
- Dana Szczepaniak, Grand Island
- Kari Tarnowski, Brocton

**Boys Bowling**
- Chris Fecio, Sweet Home
- Brandon Kipp, Lockport
- Tim Langhans, Frontier
- Shawn Larson, North Tonawanda
- Anthony Nelson, City Honors
- Jeremy Shapero, Sweet Home
- Ryan Townsell, St. Joes

**Girls Bowling**
- Alexandra Best, Nichols
- Kristyn Gergelis, Williamsville East
- Gillian Grobe, Clarence
- Courtney Jackson, McKinley
- Colleen Kelly, Olean
- Rebecca Klahn, West Valley
- Christine Lundquist, Nichols
- Sarah Poley, Sweet Home
- Ashley Takacs, Nichols

**Boys Ice Hockey**
- Patrick Beyer, Canisius
- Andrew Creighton, Canisius
- Rob Eimer, Williamsville North
- Ken Joseph, Williamsville North
- Steve Lang, Timon/St. Jude
- Alex Poniatowski, Williamsville North
- Steve Shchurowsky, St. Joe's
- Alan Wynia, Timon/St. Jude

**Girls Indoor Track**
- Alexandra Galbo, Williamsville South
- Rory Keane, Lockport
- Ann Kenna, Williamsville South
- Jessica Lemmon, Williamsville North
- Brooke Leone, Nardin
- Chelsea Nichter, Clarence
- Emma Walsh, Mt. St. Mary's
- Kristin Willson, Sweet Home
- Christine Yankelunas, Sweet Home

**Boys Indoor Track**
- Bradley Bogdan, Canisius
- Joshua Boss, Frontier
- Ian Clark, Grand Island
- Mike Dobmeier, Williamsville North
- Mike Fennell, Frontier
- Adam Fernbach, Canisius
- David Gerard, St. Francis
- Lukas Hoffmann, St. Joe's
- Sean Lindaman, St. Francis
- Robert Papelian, Frontier
- Stephen Walter, St. Joe's
- Nathan Washburn, Frontier

**Rifle**
- Omobola Babarinsa, Kenmore East
- Andrea Marinski, Alden
- Stacie Wegst, Alden

**Boys Swimming**
- Ben Daigler, Kenmore East
- Dan Keller, Sweet Home
- David LeValley, Iroquois
- Pat Quast, Lockport
- Steve Rois, Amherst
- Jason Scheff, Williamsville East
- Jonathan Soh, Williamsville East
- Scott Tucker, Holland
- Brett Van Groenewoud, Clarence
- Guli Zhu, Williamsville East

**Wrestling**
- Nicholas Bacon, Tonawanda
- Anthony Black, Kenmore West
- Jeremy Hoffman, Nichols
- Jamie Ott, East Aurora
- Jeff Same, Williamsville East
- Alex Siedlecki, Clarence
- Nathan Winkelstein, Canisius
**2005-2006 WINTER SPORTS RESULTS**

### TEAM SPORTS SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS

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### INDIVIDUAL SPORTS SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS

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**Rifle**

High School Champions:

**22 cal:** Clarence-1090-28C  
**Air Rifle:** Clarence - 1097*

Individual Sectional Champions:

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WINTER STATE RESULTS

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Girls Gymnastics

1st: Section 1-184.650, 2nd Section 11-183.050, 3rd: Section 5-182.925. Section 6 placed 4th with 181.125 points.

Individual Placements within the top 10:

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Indoor Track

Section VI: Girls Team 8th - 21 points  Boys Team - 8th  25 points

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<td>Drew Grazidei, Sweet Home</td>
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<td>Melissa Kurzdorfer, Lancaster</td>
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<td>Brianna Steel, Newfane</td>
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<td>Cory Pixley, Pioneer</td>
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<td>Jamal Norward, Hamburg</td>
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<td>Pole Vault</td>
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<td>Anna Holmes, Pioneer</td>
<td>300m</td>
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<td>West Seneca West (Morgan Billi, Nicole Castilloux, Kristina Wright, Kelsey Randall)</td>
<td>4x200m</td>
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<td>Clarence (Becca Nungesser, Gina Adornetto, Keri Pretorios, Keelan Walsh)</td>
<td>4x800m</td>
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<td>Shot Put</td>
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<td>Morgan Billi, West Seneca West</td>
<td>Long Jump</td>
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<td>Alyssa Rogers, Lancaster</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>Williamsville South (Allie Van Buren, Katie Johnson, Alex Galbo, Natalie Gregorski)</td>
<td>4x400m</td>
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<td>Iroquois (Jason Anderson, Justin Handley, Allen Stier, Brandon Muire)</td>
<td>4x400m</td>
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<td>Richard Wong, Williamsville North</td>
<td>High Jump</td>
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*School Record

Rifle

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<td>Bob Belko, Clarence</td>
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Boys Swimming

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<td>Travis Martinez, Clarence</td>
<td>1:41.10</td>
<td>200 Free</td>
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<td>Ian O’Rourke, Grand Island</td>
<td>530.15</td>
<td>Diving</td>
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<td>Travis Martinez, Clarence</td>
<td>46.35</td>
<td>100 free</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Nate Geary, Lancaster</td>
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<td>Clarence (Brett van Groenewoud, Burns, Martinez, Paul Herberger)</td>
<td>1:28.18</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Shawn Hoffman, North Tonawanda</td>
<td>463.30</td>
<td>Diving</td>
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<td>Williamsville North (Beckinghausen, Deptual, Krupp, Lin)</td>
<td>3:18.29</td>
<td>4x400 free</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Canisius, (Dan Donnarumma, Stephen Dally, Jake Kwapiszeski, Dan Carver)</td>
<td>1:40.77</td>
<td>200 Medley Relay</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>Jeff Moessinger, Iroquois</td>
<td>53.19</td>
<td>100 butterfly</td>
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<td>10</td>
<td>Ryan O’Laughlin, Lew—Port</td>
<td>52.91</td>
<td>100 butterfly</td>
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Congratulations to all Champions

** State Champion

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**SUMMARY**

Centralized Management & Payment of Officials
Cooperative Effort of Erie 1 BOCES and Section VI

Section VI presently has 55,270 athletes participating in interscholastic sports on 3089 teams as per the NYSPHSAA 2005-06 survey. Each team may play as many as 8-12 home contests with as many as 1-5 officials per contest. The total number of officials that need to be managed and consequently assigned is overwhelming. A centralized system has become a necessity within the Section.

In April 2003, as a reinforcement of S.A.V.E. legislation, the superintendents of Section VI member schools unanimously approved the resolution that all sports officials must be fingerprinted and cleared before working any sports contests in Section VI (effective Sept. 1, 2003) The fingerprinting of over 1500 officials and administration of the consequent clearance data has been a major undertaking and responsibility for the Section office. It has created an urgent need for a more efficient management system that is real-time and web-based.

In 2005, Section VI District Superintendents and Business Officials requested a BOCES service to pay sports officials. Erie I BOCES initiated a Request for Proposal for web-based athletic management systems to perform this function. Two proposals were presented at a conference attended by representatives of member schools. After reviewing evaluations of both programs, the Section VI Ad Hoc Committee for Central Management of Sports Officials recommended that League Minder be awarded the bid. Based on this recommendation, in May 2005, the Section VI Athletic Council approved the endorsement of League Minder as the system to facilitate the BOCES shared service of payment of sports officials, a program that complies with SED regulations regarding Board of Cooperative Educational Services.

The pilot program for centralized payment of sports officials by Erie I BOCES, has been successfully operating in cooperation with Section VI since September 2005. All sports officials, in the sports that are piloted, have received one monthly paycheck for all contests worked at participating member schools. This has eliminated the need for districts to issue individual checks to these officials. When fully operational, centralized payment of sports officials through Erie I BOCES will include most sports. The program is open to all Section VI member districts who wish to participate.

The LeagueMinder technology has enabled not only league-wide management of schedules and assignments of officials for selected sports in the pilot districts, but also section-wide management and coordination of the clearance information on the officials in order to ensure compliance with S.A.V.E. legislation. It has expanded the Section's ability to service member schools through Coered services by allowing the Section to respond to scheduling errors and resolve the issues in a timely manner.
IT’S OFFICIAL...

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• Section VI and the New York State Public High School Athletic Association have stepped up their efforts to promote Sportsmanship at all athletics events. I was pleased to report to our winter sports leaders a marked improvement in the number of reported sportsmanship problems this past winter. With about 90 schools participating in several sports at multiple levels, only 17 reportable events occurred. One is actually too many. However, from a practical point of view, significant improvement is obvious. We salute the districts and coaches who have been diligent in their efforts to encourage friendly rivalry and good sportsmanship in their programs!

• Congratulations are extended to the Lackawanna, Sweet Home and Niagara Falls Boys Basketball programs and to Jim Walker, Jon Roth and the entire boys Basketball Committee for the many successes they experienced this past season.

• As we continue the spring sports season be reminded that the Section VI Lightning policy requires a 30 minute lightning and “boom” free period prior to starting or resuming a contest. The text of the entire policy can be viewed at the Section VI website www.section6.wnyric.org...click on Handbooks, Forms and Info...scan down to Safety Policies.

Heartfelt Thanks

Section VI would like to express its gratitude to two Sportchairs who are stepping down from their positions. Ron Zugelder has given his time and energy in service to the Section as the Boys Swimming Chairman since 2003. Bob Beach has been coordinating Mens Gymnastics for 8 years. We thank you Ron and Bob for your tireless efforts, and endless dedication to your sport and Section VI athletes!

Thank You