

Wilson Central Schools Athletics Newsletter Fall 2016

#### Fall Athletes of the Week

Justin Daul Jonah Miller Olivia Mitchell Cesar Carlin Julie Reagan Trey Rees Olivia Fernandez Jo Jo Turvey Kayla Neumann Josh LiPuma Marcel Wilson Will Schwarzmueller



#### Lakemen Legends Honored

October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 marked the 10<sup>th</sup> installment of the Wilson Athletics Wall of Fame. This years inductees were:

> Coach Tom Covey Gladys Freischlag Ron Kightlinger Dennis Pollow Coach Tim Schulz Doug Zipp

Congratulations to the Class of 2016! Thank you to everyone who helped make the weekend special.

## Wilson Golf Unbeaten on 40 Straight

The Hutch

The Golf Team won its 3<sup>rd</sup> straight Niagara Orleans League Championship and stretched its unbeaten streak of matches to 40. School records were set for low score at every golf course we compete at including a 195 at Dande Farms shot by Connor Seeley, Jonah Miller, Nate Fox, Nick Seider and Patrick Seeley. The low individual score was also set at Dande Farms by Connor Seeley who recorded a 34. The team also set a new course record at Willowbrook with a 199. Not only did the top six golfers set records but each golfer lowered their scores considerably over the course of the season. It was another fun season for the team as they all met and exceeded their pre-season goals. Congratulations to the team on another great season!

## **Cheerleaders Show Spirit**

The 2016 Varsity Cheerleading team consisted of 10 cheerleaders led by senior captains Jenna Chesnut and Olivia Fernandez. Lilli Lacey, Alexis Provenzano, Hailey Roberts, Aaron Weich, Teagan Clark, Rosie Brillhart, Maddy Kelly and Sara Seider round out the roster. Since August this team has been putting in hard work and dedication to learn A LOT of cheers and routines for the games all while creating a routine to perform at homecoming. They put in extra time to make sure the school was well decorated in Orange & Black to show our school spirit for Homecoming. The team also showed their support for Breast Cancer Awareness Month and Domestic Violence Awareness Month by making colored shirts and bows to wear at the game. The team worked extremely well together throughout the entire season and continued to surprise me with their knowledge and passion for the sport.



#### Lakemen Varsity Football Turn It Around

The Varsity Football Lakemen team rebounded well and secured a playoff spot for the first time in four years. There were some outstanding performances on the field that help the team this year. First, Justin Daul finished second in Section VI with 1,596 yards and first in touchdowns with 17. Receiving throws from Justin are Marcel Wilson, Matt Kitcho, and Wade Rick, which are in the top 15 receivers in the section. Other players with catches are Tristan Guthrie, Jared Carney, Tanner Feeley, Mark Coder, and Trevor Zahno. Anchoring the offensive line are Matt Lange, Andrew Francioli, Matt Daul, Joe St. Onge, and Frank Dispenza. Defensively, Freshman Drew Westmorland leads the team in tackles. The defensive squad is also getting strong play out of safety Nick Streuber. The team looks to build on this years success and be even better next year. Can't wait!

#### Boys Varsity Soccer Plays Tough

The Wilson Lakemen Varsity Soccer team completed another successful regular season in 2016. Led by Captains Josh LiPuma, Brayden Skobjak, and Cesar Carlin, the team finished the regular season with an overall record of 13 -3 -0 which placed them 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Niagara Orleans League. Along the way, the boys defeated several top teams in the section and were able to capture the Dan Durick Memorial Tournament Championship as well as securing an overall 3<sup>rd</sup> Seed going into Sectionals.

On the scoring front, Junior Cesar Carlin led the way with 32 goals which is the second most goals ever scored by a Lakeman in a single season. Leading the team in assists were senior midfielders Tyler Van Buren and Brayden Skobjak. On the defensive end, the Lakemen were anchored by Captain and three-year starter Josh LiPuma. Along with LiPuma, Michael Pazik, DJ Cloy and Matthew Couturier shut down most teams and allowed net-minder Mason Secor to rack up 5 shutouts.

The Lakemen were well-represented in League post-season honors with Carlin, LiPuma, and Van Buren earning 1<sup>st</sup> team, Cloy and Skobjak earning 2<sup>nd</sup> team, and Steven Lewis and Matthew Couturier making Honorable Mention.

## Cross Country Running Well

This year the Cross-Country team added ten new runners to the team. There has been tremendous overall and team improvement. Of the 21 runners on the team, 18 have already set new personal record times this season. The team recently ran in the All-League race on Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> with the girls finishing 5<sup>th</sup> and the boys finishing 3rd.



The boys' team placed 3<sup>rd</sup> overall at the East Aurora Invite and 9<sup>th</sup> out of 35 teams at the McQuaid Invitational in Rochester. Senior captain Trey Rees and sophomore William Schwarzmueller have been the top two runners for Wilson all season. Also making big contributions have been Cal Seeley, Nathaniel Johnson, Quinn Rees, Jon Montgomery, Zach Beyer, and Cam Guy.

The girls' team has been lead by captains Katie Harding and Shea Munnikhuysen. Julie Reagan has been the girls' top runner all season. Joanna Elledge and Mikayla Wiepert have consistently rounded out the team's top five each meet.

#### Varsity Girls Soccer Plays With the Best



The 2016 Girls Varsity Soccer team had big shoes to fill as they tried to defend their League, Sectional, and Far West regional title. The season started slowly, as the girls tried to find their way. They lost some close games to league rivals that were extremely difficult to take. The girls showed their true character through these difficult times and stuck together and worked harder. They rebounded to defeat Williamsville East 1-0 in a sectional tune up game; one of the premier class 'A' programs in WNY and NYS. In their first sectional game they trailed Akron 2-1 with 3 minutes to play. Emily Paterson tied it up and Kayla Neumann scored 2 goals in overtime to seal the victory. They defeated Tonawanda 4-1 to reach the Class B-2 final game. The girls lost a hard fought game to Fredonia 1-0 to finish the season 11-6-2. The girls had 4 players selected to First Team All-League: forward, Kayla Neumann, midfielders, Rachel Senek and Emily Paterson, and defender Jennifer Darlak. Madelyn Austin and Emily Kelly were selected to 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-League. Honorable Mention selections were Aidan McGill, Julia Seider, Sarah Yousette and Tori Vanderheite. Congratulations ladies on another fantastic season!



## JV Field Hockey Looks Strong



IV heid Flockey is lead by Captains; Mia Olear, Kaylie Kress and Olivia Mocarski. The girls worked hard on and off the field all season. Each player set a goal for themselves during the season and each one of them accomplished it. A few ways to describe this team are passionate, respectful, determined and most of all they all have the love for the game. There are 9 returning players and 7 first time players. Three players will be moving up to Varsity next year, Mia Olear, Kaylie Kress and Grace Covatta. The rest of the team consists of Freshmen, Sierra Shepherd who had a successful season as goalie, Katey Vandermast, Faith Garven, Ivy Montgomery and Veronica Paul. Anna Meyers, Olivia Mocarski, Jennifer Reagan, Rachel Elledge, Alycia Thompson and, Gianna Marchetti are all 8th graders and Kirsten Day is in 7th grade. We all are looking forward to next season!



## Strong Year for JV Football

The JV Lakemen football team started slowly, but like many of our games finished strong! The persistence by our young group led to a very special year. The boys finished the season 5-3. Led by a strong rushing attack and a timely passing game. The boys were able to consistently put together strong defensive performances. Those two contributing factors led to many great second halves. Good luck to our sophomores that will be going to Varsity next season, and we look forward to seeing what our young core can do next year!

# Varsity Field Hockey Snaps 17-Year Streak

The Varsity Field Hockey team had a very exciting season with an overall record of 11-6. The biggest highlight of the season was defeating Barker 2-0. The win allowed us to break a 17-year losing streak against them.

Leading the team in scoring is junior, Maddie Mocarski with 7 goals while senior, Erin Boyle has 5 goals and 4 assists and junior, Olivia Mitchell has 5 goals and 6 assists. Senior, JoJo Turvey has scored goals in two critical games for us this season including the win over Royhart and Barker. On defense, freshman, Emilee Muoio and junior, Madison Goodnight are relentless and play like veterans. Other key players include seniors Alex Seeley on attack, Gabe Graca on midfield and Natalie Ryan on defense. In the net, goalkeepers Samantha Perry and MJ O'Connor share 7 shutouts.

The team supported Breast Cancer Awareness by hosting a Play 4 the Cure game against Newfane. By having a 1v1 shootout on Hutch, selling pink carnations, having a pink basket raffle and collecting donations the team was able to raise over \$500 to donate to the cause.

#### Varsity Volleyball Learns To Compete

The 2016 varsity volleyball team could best be characterized by the words gritty, competitive, and tenacious. While many wondered if this turnover year would be more of a rebuilding season after the graduation of last season's 9 seniors, the team proved the skills they possess are strong and will continue to grow over the years to come. The team's most memorable win against Roy-Hart this season was evidence to many who watched – that no matter the score – the team would fight to the end.

Junior captain Raechel Blasius led the team in ace serves and defensive digs. Sophomore Jenny Myers adapted to the role of setter and led in assists while 8th grader Madelyn Seeley followed closely and led the team in kills. Freshmen Sarah Nugent and Isable Dinse were strong at the net. The team's seniors captains Maura Bull and Katie Johnston, Nicole Leder, and Brynn Vandermast's experience and leadership kept the team alive and fresh in moments of uncertainty. First year varsity players junior Yvonne Shepherd, sophomores Julia Johnston, Lyndsey Pawlak, Kasey Taylor, and Brooke Wisor all matured as players throughout the season. We concluded our season by beating JFK before failing to #1 seeded Akron in Sectional play. The coaches are looking forward with anticipation to what the future holds for the Volleyball program.

## JV Volleyball Prepares for the Next Level

The Wilson JV Volleyball team had a wonderful season finishing 6-8. They constantly battled hard and were in every contest. The girls are unselfish, always looking to "pass, set, hit" and it is showing on the offensive side. Defensively they have really come along as well! With having modified volleyball back at Wilson we are seeing an increase in skill and the girls are more prepared coming to the next level. We have great leadership from our captains and returning players. The team consists of two

sophomores, Captains Faith Herlan and Lindsey Parisse. There are nine freshman, Captain Anna Frerichs, Marissa Eames, Emma Gast, Anna Stevenson, Emaleigh Herlan, Emily Wolfe, Shayna Rutty, Tricia Manchester and Sydney Barry, two eighth graders in Meg Musall and Victoria Pawlak and our lone 7<sup>th</sup> grader Samantha Herlan. All of the girls have contributed on and off the court. They constantly encourage each other and are positive role models for younger athletes. Great job ladies!

#### JV Boys Soccer Rebuilds

After a number of very successful JV Soccer seasons with a team that had played together for a number of years, we found ourselves having to start that ball rolling again. Most of our seasoned players had graduated to Varsity and so we welcomed in a lot of new, young faces this year. It goes without saying that we had to start from the ground up in many of soccer's critical areas. Foundation skill (touch, trapping and passing), morale and team bonding were some of the things we really stressed this year. And although we started off a little rocky, losing the first 3 games, we were able to turn it around for a 5-5 win/loss record. We successfully beat out 2/3 of the teams that destroyed us at the start of the season. It was a privilege to watch a silent group of young, unsure players become a more experienced team of laughter, strong relationships and improved skill. Dylan Serrano (captain) led the charge in scoring and assists with 10 goals and 4 assists. Marcus Schwarzmueller (captain) came in a close second with 5 goals and 4 assists. Together as a team we were able to put 21 goals in the net of our opposing teams by the end of the season. The future of Wilson Soccer continues to be bright if we build of this years achievement.

#### Modified Volleyball Has Great Participation

The Modified Volleyball team came swinging out of the gate with five returning players from last year. Stephanie Woolson, Kaelynn Gibbs, Faith Pytlik, Makayla Miller, and Makenzie Nashwinter served as the role models for the younger players, showing them how much you can improve if you stick with the game. There was also a talented core of new players that set the bar high for the remainder of the team. Julia Faery, Taylor Mielke, Anna Seider, and Paige Rodger elevated their game each week throughout the season.

The girls won a bunch. Regardless of the outcome, they displayed a positive attitude, and carried a team-first spirit that was infectious. We enjoyed great support from our home crowds. The girl's favorite times were the away matches. From doing each other's hair on the bus ride there, to playing great volleyball, to the big box McDonalds dinner on the way home. The team looks forward to the returning players next year as we keep the momentum going!



#### JV Girls Soccer Dazzles

The Girls JV Soccer team had a fantastic finish to their 2016 season. Though the team was small in size and young in age compared to its competitors, the girls showed they could hold their own, even against the toughest of teams. The team, led by Mel Gray, Izzy Schultz and Lilly O'Lay ended with an 8-2 league record. The team's leading point scorer was Lilly O'lay, followed closely by Kenzie Beyer. Mel Gray and Kassidy Sidote held off the opponents all season sharing goaltender time. Without Kass Sidote, Brianna DeLine and Hannah Darlak, the team would have struggled defensively.

Season highlights included away games and seeing just how much McDonalds everyone could stomach. The girls also held a bake sale and made almost \$200! Though the team is losing 7 key players to Varsity next year, we are so excited to come back just as strong as this year, with the exception that we will beat Newfane! Good luck to the girls moving up for Sectionals!



#### Middle School Runners Catch Their Stride

The Wilson Middle School Cross Country Team is well underway with their third season. We have sixteen runners in grades 6-8. Seventh and eighth grade students: Kylee Healy, Austin Grenga, Dalton Grommoll, Amel Jowdy, Evan Krieger, Spencer Merchant, Jack Schultz, and Abby Young, have been regularly competing in the cross country meets throughout the area. The team meets daily on school grounds thoughout September and October to warm up, practice skill drills, run relays, complete core exercises, and increase their distance, endurance, and speed.

Members of the team have seen a huge improvement in strength and endurance but most of all we have had a lot of fun! The season wrapped up on October 27<sup>th</sup> with the Wilson Mile Race.



#### A Word from Athletic Director, Mr. Roth...

Congratulations to the student-athletes who participated this fall on one of our many teams! These positive experiences will benefit you in your futures. This fall had many memorable times and here are just a few:

- Congratulations to Coach Mark Kurtz and the Wilson Golf team on their amazing three-year run. The team won their 3<sup>rd</sup> straight undefeated league title and currently has a 40-match league win streak going!
- Congratulations to senior quarterback Justin Daul on breaking the Wilson career passing record held by former QB Joe Parrott ('11). Way to go Justin!
- Congratulations to the Wilson Wall of Fame "Class of 2016". The Wall of Fame weekend here in Wilson is second to none. A special thanks to the WOF committee for all of their hard work making the weekend wonderful.
- Congratulations to Coach Jaime Lepsch on reaching the 50-win milestone as the Varsity Field Hockey coach!
- Congratulations to Wilson legends Larry Lash and Bill Leardini. Both gentlemen will be awarded the coveted Foundation Award at the Fall N.O. League dinner. Congrats guys!