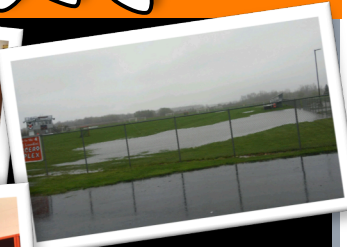


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Wilson Central Schools Athletics Newsletter
Spring 2017

Spring Athletes of the Week



John Bender
Mark Coder
Jennifer Darlak
Steven Lewis
Skylar Munnikhuysen
Grace Gerber
Joey Hecko
Kyle Lyon

Wilson Baseball Dazzles

The Varsity Baseball team finished the season with an 8-4 record in league play. Team captains were Jonah Miller, Connor Seeley and John Bender. The record book for Wilson Baseball and Section 6 Baseball was broken in many categories. John Bender set the record for the all time highest batting average in Section 6 baseball with a very impressive .651 average in league and sectional play... a record that will stand for a long time to come. He also set Wilson records for hits (25), home runs(4), RBI's(21) and strike outs (58). Jonah Miller played a great center field and finished with a .386 batting average, Tanner Feeley .341, Connor Seeley .324, Brayden Skobjak .292, Jackson Rotella .289 and Justin Daul .289. The team batting average was .338. In our annual penny drive we raised almost \$1600, Thank you to the Wilson Community for supporting the team. We also participated in the first annual Jeff Evoy Scholarship game in Medina helping them raise over \$2400. Good luck to seniors Jonah Miller, Connor Seeley, Justin Daul and Brayden Skobjak in the future!

THE BUFFALO NEWS

The tale of Wilson junior John Bender's perfect game



Wilson junior John Bender threw a perfect game against Niagara-Orleans League rival Roy-Hart on May 9.

Congratulations to Junior John Bender on throwing Wilson baseball's only Perfect Game! John retired all 21 batters he faced in an 11-0 win over eventual League champ, Roy-Hart. On his way to perfection, John struck out 10 and did not allow a ball out of the infield. He completed the game throwing only 77 pitches. Way to go John!



Congratulations to senior student-athlete Justin Daul on winning the coveted Thomas E. Hewitt Scholarship Award as the area's top student-athlete!

Justin and Jennifer Darlak represented Wilson CSD with class and character at the event and throughout their amazing careers. Thank you!





Boys Track Has Interesting Season

The Boys Varsity Track Team had an interesting season filled with highs and lows. The Boys had a 2-4 season overall in the league. However, the boys lost to Medina 71-70 and to Albion 74-67. With a few breaks we could have been 4-2. Josh Lipuma, Will Schwarzmuller, Mason Secor, Kevin Skavinsky, Marcel Wilson, Cesar Carlin, Quinn Rees, Nathaniel Johnson, and Mitch Mahar had excellent performances for the Lakemen.

The season was wet with several cancellations and postponements but that did not deter senior Trey Rees. Trey had a tremendous senior season breaking his own school record in the 400m dash and winning the league title in the 800m run and 1600m run, respectively. Trey ran the 800m at Sectionals and won it while breaking the Wilson record in the event. Junior Mark Coder also had a successful season. He consistently won the 110M Hurdle, 400M Hurdle and pole vault. Both Mark Coder (pole vault) and Trey Rees (800m) won at Sectionals and are headed to the State tournament with the best of the best! Good luck to both boys!

Varsity Softball Takes Positive Steps

The 2017 softball team learned to 'go with the flow' early this season, beginning with two snow days during the first week of practice and ending on an 86 degree day in Fredonia, dodging thunderstorms. Five returners led the way for the young squad of eleven, including: seniors Jen Darlak, Katie Johnston, Alex Seeley and Kira Zappy; and freshman catcher Emilee Muoio. Three pitchers saw action this year, striking out 66 batters. Kira Zappy saw the most time on the mound, with fellow senior Katie Johnston providing relief and freshmen Anna Frerichs hurling a few innings as well.

Senior Jen Darlak capped off an impressive softball career, leading the team in several stat categories including batting avg. (.457), runs (14), hits (19), RBIs (12) and stolen bases (10). She also earned a spot in the Wilson record books, appearing within the top ten for most career hits. Additional leaders in offensive stats for the season include; Madeline Mocarski with 15 hits and 11 RBIs; Alex Seeley with 16 hits and 6 RBIs; Anna Frerichs with 12 hits and 9 RBIs; and Emilee Muoio with 11 hits and 10 RBIs.

Defensively, catcher Emilee Muoio had a solid year behind the plate, and worked with all her pitchers to get the best performances possible. Sophomore outfielders Sam Ellis and Isabella Schultz had impressive first years on varsity, learning the ropes quickly and holding their own at the plate with 6 and 8 hits, respectively. Junior outfielders Madeline Mocarski and Madison Goodnight also enjoyed success during their first year on varsity, accumulating a combined 14 put-outs this season. Sophomore Kaylie Kress served as an effective pinch-hitter at the plate, putting the ball in play and advancing runners when called upon.

Although the team ended its season with a 4-11 record, there were many impressive moments along the way. The team turned a dozen double plays this season, and two players celebrated 'over the fence' home runs: Jen Darlak and Anna Frerichs. The high point of the season came during a 3-game stretch, when the girls held league co-champions RoyHart and Akron to just 6 runs, and played their best ball of the season. With so many returners coming back, and a young crop of JV girls waiting in the wings, Coach Mahar is optimistic about the future. She invites the four graduating seniors to come back and work with the young 'uns anytime!

Varsity Tennis Has Strong Season

The Varsity Tennis team ended the season with a 7-5 record, with most of the matches coming down the a few points on the court. Senior Joey Hecko and Junior Kyle Lyon led the team as the first and second singles players respectively. Joey earned a record of 7-4 at first singles, and Kyle Lyon dominated second singles with an 11-1 record. Seniors Alex Couturier, Max Faery, and Michael Pazik alternated as third singles players and in doubles. Doubles specialist Mia Olear was joined by newcomer Joey Moote to round out a strong starting lineup. The Lakemen enjoyed a depth in their line-up with many other competitive players. Rebecca Connors, Allisa Smith, Jacob Hecko, and Nathan Jacques recorded impressive wins throughout the season.

Joey Hecko and Kyle Lyon teamed up at the end of the season for the doubles sectional qualifying tournament. After securing the first round bye, they defeated Medina and Albion in straight sets. For Joey Hecko, it is the third year in a row he has won the tournament and representing the N/O league in doubles. Both Joey and Kyle were awarded first team all-league for their outstanding performances.

The Team says good-bye to 12 seniors this year. However, there is a bunch of new players ready to fill the shoes left behind. The players wish to thank coach Moote for joining the team this year as assistant coach. His knowledge and expertise helped everyone to raise the level of their game.

2017 will be remembered as a year defined by Alex Couturier's pre-match speech. "You can't guarantee a win, but you can guarantee giving 110% effort".

JV Softball Has Bright Future

The JV Softball team this year is encompassed of a very young core with three seventh graders Kaelin Faery; Abby Hurtgam; and Julianna Levesque. The bulk of the team encompasses eleven eighth graders. Of those twelve players seven are returning from last year. Megan Musall, Julia Faery, Madelyn Seeley, Kenzie Beyer, Victoria Pawlak, Alycia Thompson, and Stephanie Woolson all make up the JV teams young nucleus. Joining the team this year as eighth graders includes Taylor Mielke, Gianna Marchetti, Lilly O'Lay, and Cassidy Sidote. Rounding out our roster includes our three ninth graders Alecia Cox, Emaliegh Herlan, and Trisha Manchester.

Our season started out with four of our first five games cancelled due to rain. However, that didn't stop the young Lakewomen from starting out with a 3-0 record. Good pitching has helped lead the way. Strong defensive play from the whole team helped back them up. Strong leadership and good hitting from all over the lineup have helped the team improve tremendously each and every game. The JV Lakewomen finished the season 3-2 dropping a close game to Medina 8-10, but won consecutive game against Barker and Albion.

The team progressed each and every game! The girls began playing as a team, and played their best defensive softball as the season winded down. Next year looks to be promising with a young team, and hard work in the off-season.

Girls Track & Field Finishes 4th

The Varsity Girls Track & Field team did well this season with 2 wins and 4 losses, placing 4th in the league. We have a very young team that is extremely talented! I look forward to the future growth of our program. This year's captains included: Shea Munnikhuysen, Skylar Munnikhuysen, Grace Gerber, Madelyn Austin, Yvonne Shepherd and Julie Reagan.

All-League honors this season went to 1st Team (League Champion) Shea Munnikhuysen- Shot Put; 2nd Team (2nd place) Grace Gerber- 100m Hurdles & 400m hurdles, and Skylar Munnikhuysen- Long Jump. Honorable Mention (3rd place) were Grace Gerber- 400m relay, Skylar Munnikhuysen- 400m relay, Melanie Gray- 400m relay, Jenny Myers- 400m relay, Amanda Murray- High Jump, and Madelyn Austin- Pentathlon.

This year we have a number of athletes that are Sectional Qualifiers: Grace Gerber, Jenny Myers, Skylar Munnikhuysen, Melanie Gray, Shea Munnikhuysen, and Amanda Murray.

Lakemen Lacrosse Looks to Improve

The 2017 version of the lacrosse team had 9 seniors: Including tri-captains *Kyle Weisinger, Dylan Wolfe, and Ryan Harrell*. Other seniors include: *Steven Lewis, DJ Cloy, Dylan Guy, Clayton Taylor, Daniel Leggett and manager Nicole Leder*. We wish each of them well as they graduate and move on to the next stage of their lives.

Senior defenseman Steven Lewis was selected First Team All-League and will represent Wilson at the Outstanding Senior All Star Game (6/14 at Sweet Home HS at 7:30pm). Come on out and support Steven's last high school game! Senior DJ Cloy earned Second Team All-League honors while Mitchell Peck, Kyle Weisinger, and Ryan Harrell earned Honorable Mention.

Senior DJ Cloy led the team in scoring (16 goals, 9 assists) while sophomore Aaren Horvath led the team in face-offs won (72%). Senior captain Kyle Wiesinger earned all-league (HM) honors at Goalie after a strong performance late in the season. Kyle learned the position in a day and, after coming back from a shoulder injury, was outstanding! Our most outstanding player this season was Steven Lewis; quickly earning the respect of his opponents, Lewis was among the very best long stick midis in western New York in 2017. He led the team in ground balls (134), takeaways (73) and even added some scoring (3 goals, 5 assists).

John "Fred" Gansworth and Brian Peck were assistant coaches this year and gave many hours of their time to help us improve. The program moves forward through the efforts of so many quality assistants. Student managers Nicole Leder, Sam Moore, Morgan Boyd, and Abbie Horn contributed many hours to help with game day responsibilities along with being our scorekeepers. Kevin Peck was also an extremely helpful student assistant.



Lakemen JV Baseball Competes Well

The JV baseball team finished with an 8-8 overall record this year 6-6 in the league. The season had some ups and downs, but through it the entire group grew into a very good team. When we were finally able to get some good weather it was the last week of the season and we were able to play 6 games in 6 days.

Offensively the team had a very successful season. All of the extra hours in the gym benefitted them as they averaged 7 hits and 7 runs per game. Randy Clark came out of nowhere to lead the team in batting average (.417) and RBI's (11), and Patrick Seeley overcame a slow start to finish second on the team with a .306 batting average and 10 RBI's, all while catching over 90% of the innings this season. Bobby Atlas and Jake Miller were threats on the bases all season.

On the mound the JV Lakemen were very young. Led by a quartet of freshmen the Lakemen held opponents to just over 4 earned runs per game while striking out 87 batters on the season. Declan Faery led the team in innings pitched and strikeouts. Thomas Baia became the teams closer about halfway through the season and saved 3 games down the stretch in exciting fashion. 8th grader Anthony Dispenza has the potential to be an ace going forward as he led the team in wins and ERA. All three should be key contributors for the varsity pitching staff in the years to come.













This team was a very fun group to watch, but even more fun to coach. Coach Muoio and Coach Atlas would like to thank each of you for a great year.

The Wilson All-Sports Booster Club would like to thank everyone who supported this year's fundraiser! Thank you!



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

Congratulations to all of the student-athletes who participated on a team this spring! Your class, competitiveness, and character during competition were wonderful to witness. When the rain FINALLY stopped, we were able to witness some very memorable moments.

-  Congratulations to Wilson Superintendent, Dr. Michael Wendt, on his retirement. Thank you for everything you have done for Wilson CSD and student-athletes across WNY.
-  Congratulations to Wilson Groundsmen, Greg Willis, on his retirement. Greg has been keeping our fields in top shape for many, many years. Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication!
-  Congratulations to senior Justin Daul on winning the Thomas E. Hewitt Scholarship Award as one of the areas most well-rounded student-athlete!
-  Congratulations to Grace Gerber on breaking the 400m-hurdle record in T&F that stood for more than 30 years!
-  Congratulations to Trey Rees for breaking multiple school T&F records on his way to a League Championship!
-  Congratulations to Shea Munnikhuisen on winning a T&F League title in the shot put! 
-  Congratulations and good luck to Trey Rees (800m) and Mark Coder (pole vault). They both won Sectional titles and are headed to the New York State Championships!
-  Congratulations to Junior John Bender on pitching a "Perfect Game". John also set the Section VI batting average record by batting an astounding .651 this season! (The old record of .604 was set in 2007)
-  Congratulations to Coach Brett Sippel and the Varsity Boys Basketball team on being selected as 1 of 4 teams in New York State to be recognized by BCANY as an All-Academic team!
-  Congratulations to this years Wilson Orangemen Award recipients to be recognized at the Spring Sports Awards: Jonah Miller, Trey Rees, Steven Lewis, Alex Seeley, Connor Seeley, Jenna Chesnut, Kyle Weisinger, Michael Pazik, Josh LiPuma, and Jennifer Darlak
-  Congratulations to the following All-WNY Scholar Athletes for the spring season: Winners - Gabrielle Graca, Jonah Miller, Zachary Beyer, Jen Darlak, and Trey Rees. Honorable Mention - Justin Daul, Maxwell Faery, Sabrina Ganshaw, Ryan Harrell, Katlin Johnston, Steven Lewis, Alexandra Seeley, Connor Seeley, Kevin Skavinsky, Brayden Skobjak, Allisa Smith, Kelli Tierney, Kyle Wiesinger, and Kira Zappy.