



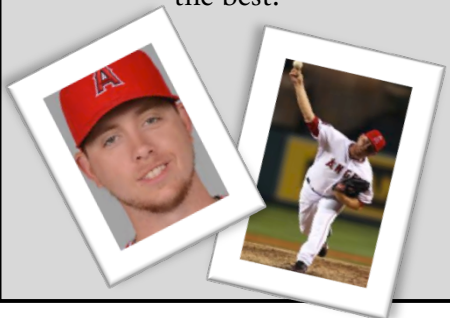
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Wilson Athletics Newsletter
Wilson All-Sports Booster Club
Winter 2013-2014

Wilson Grad Geltz Signs on with Tampa Bay

Former Wilson Lakemen great Steve Geltz is still living the dream. Last March he was traded from the Anaheim Angels to the Tampa Bay Rays of Major League Baseball. Geltz signed with the Angels as an undrafted free agent in 2008 after pitching for the UB Bulls. Geltz has been assigned to the Triple-A Durham Bulls after spending much of his time in AAA ball last year for the Angels.

Geltz did appear for the big league Angels twice last season and hopes to be spending much more time up there in the coming years. We all wish Steve the best!



Varsity Girls Basketball Still A WNY Force

Senior leadership has helped guide the Wilson Lakewomen on their great start once again this year. The varsity girls are currently 8-2 overall, 6-0 in the league, and ranked #5 in the Small School WNY Polls.

The team currently holds a two game lead in the Niagara-Orleans League standings with eyes on a possible 5th straight league title and deep run in the sectional tournament.

Coach Baker is very proud of the whole team especially the senior leadership the seven young ladies have shown. Each girl has contributed something special to our team this year. Our seniors this year are Allie Bubar, Emily Kam, Emily Lasher, Caitlin Nosko, Dana Smith, Kaylee Stoelting, and Marisa Walck.



The Wilson girls are also winning off the court. Recently they helped "White Out Hunger" the week of January 21-26. All non-perishable food items collected at the games were donated to the local food pantry.

Special Thanks...

To Ed Goodnight and Bill Carpenter for their many hours spent taking pictures at all of our events. We cannot tell you how much we appreciate what you two do. Thank you!!



Congratulations to Seniors Chase Wheeler and Allie Bubar for being selected as our 2013-2014 P.A.L. Prep Athlete's of the Year! Allie and Chase have been invited to the P.A.L. dinner in late February to be honored.



Varsity Boys Basketball Working Hard, Looking For a Break

The boys varsity basketball team continues to improve each night out, giving Coach Sippel and the boys reason to believe good things are coming soon. The Lakemen have been in every game this year, fighting to the very end. After a tough rebuilding year last year the team was



determined to get back to its winning ways. Maybe a big win over our rival school is just what the team needed to get back on track. The team played its most complete game recently in defeating Newfane 51-37 in front of a packed Zipp gymnasium. Senior Captain Kevin Daunce has led the way with his hard work and attitude. Kyle Bradley leads the team in scoring and rebounding. On this year's roster is: Zach Sarratori, Adam Murray, Kyle Bradley, Austin Daul, Emmett Dinse, Evan Shank, Alex Fox, Joe Littere, Andrew Eames, Kevin Daunce, and Jarret Johnston. The team is hoping for a strong second half of the season.



Coach Sippel is happy with the improvement from last year and would like to see the team finish strong. Sectional play begins in mid February, hopefully with our Lakemen catching their stride.

Varsity Boys Hoopsters Lend a Helping Hand

On Dec. 27th, the Boys Varsity Basketball Team traveled to Niagara Falls to volunteer at a local soup kitchen. While there, the team helped prepare the meal for the day, and moved out a large amount of meals as people entered to eat.



helped in a variety of ways. They did a large clean up of the facility heavy items. The team also served the

Mark Your Calendars

- Feb 5th & 12th: Selection Classification Testing
- March 3rd: Spring Sports may start
- March 10th: Spring Sports Parent Orientation
- March 20th: Winter Sport Awards

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Athletes of the Week

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| Connor Seeley | Allie Bubar |
| Lauren Austin | Mike Patterson |
| Trey Rees | Kayla Neumann |
| Justin Westmorland | Chase Wheeler |
| Michelle Myers | Kaylee Stoelting |
| Torey Couturier | Vanessa Moebius |
| Wes Trank | |
| Kevin Daunce (2) | |

The Future is Bright for Wilson Wrestling

This year's Lakemen wrestling team is young and hungry. We have many athletes who are in their first or second season of wrestling after graduating many experienced wrestlers the past few years. This year's team is led by senior captain Chase Wheeler.

Members of the roster include 7th graders Rob Clark and Mike Durow; 8th grader Aaron Weich; 9th graders Claytin Taylor, Devyn Ayers, Trey Rees, John Mahon, Ricky Covatta, and Jeff Mazur; 10th graders Jake Rice, Matthew Morgan, Dylan Thompson-Cox, and Nick Thuman; 11th grader Ken Thuman; 12th graders Chase Wheeler, Greg Jeffery, Jon Shaffer, Kevin Wiesinger, and Dan Tierney. This year our team has been focusing on very basic wrestling and learning how to compete at a high level. There has been a lot of growth in our young wrestlers in the past couple of months in a sport where the top contenders usually have 10 or more years of experience by the time they are upperclassmen. The work ethic of the wrestlers is second to none and successful seasons are expected in the near future.



Senior Chase Wheeler is having a phenomenal 6th season as a varsity wrestler. Last year he broke Wilson's all-time win record with 147 wins. With a 23-2 record so far this year, Chase has amassed an impressive 170 career wins. He was the champion of the Orchard Park and Pine Valley wrestling tournaments this year. Chase is undefeated in our section and is aggressively working towards the post season with a goal of making it to the state meet. Don't miss out on seeing Wilson history as Chase enters his last month as a Wilson Lakemen wrestler.



Cheerleaders Prepare for Competition

The Wilson winter Cheerleading team consists of 18 girls this year. We have three Seniors Taylor Smith, Samantha Redmond, and Alyssa Ruppel; Juniors Vayda Kiekbush, Lauren Austin, Rebekah Blasius, Brittany Clark, Victoria Couturier, Katelyn Myers; Sophomores Taylor Cyphert, Kallie Olear, Marlowe Recht, Jenna Schlosser, Courtney Wheeler; and Freshmen Jenna Chesnut, Olivia Fernandez, and Sarah White. We have been blessed with the opportunity to have a Foreign Exchange Student from Germany, Vanessa Moebius, join both our cheerleading teams. Without cheerleading as an option back home, Vanessa was eager to join the team. She quickly dedicated herself to not only learning the moves to cheers, but the words as well. It has been a true pleasure having her as a part of our team and we will all be sad to see her go in February. The team has split time



cheering for the basketball team and dedicating time in preparation for the Sectional Cheer Competition in Syracuse in February. Wish the girls luck. Go Wilson!

4th Annual Wilson All-Sports Booster Club Reverse Draw & Basket Auction

The Wilson All-Sports Booster Club will host their 4th Annual Reverse Draw and Basket Auction on **Saturday, April 26th** at the Wilson #1 Fire Hall at 6pm. Don't miss out on the chance to win \$1,000 cash or any of the great baskets and large prize wheel items. If you are interested in donating, please contact the Wilson Athletic Office or any of the Booster Club officers. Tickets are \$25 to get into the big cash drawing. Food and drinks will be provided. It's always a good time and it's for a great cause... our kids!

The Wilson Athletic Department and the All-Sports Booster Club are proud to bring you the 2013-14 Winter Newsletter! This newsletter is designed to help keep our community & fans current of all the wonderful happenings in the world of Lakemen and Lakewomen Athletics.

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Pete Reagan Kevin Seeley
Val Frerichs Roger Herman
Lisa Austin

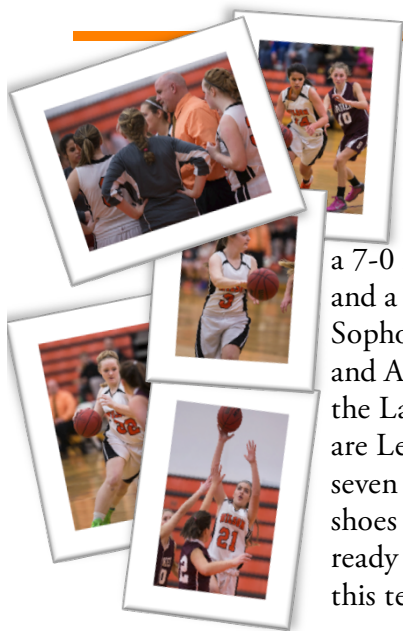
JV Boys Basketball Improving

With only a few returners that experienced playing time last season, the Wilson Boys JV Basketball Team consists largely of young and emerging players. The team is: Steven Lewis, Dylan Wolfe, Jared Carney, Mac Musall, Josh LiPuma, Justin Daul, Jonah Trank, Jonah Miller, Wade Rick, Ryan Bradley, Steve Lyman, Jordan Stoelting, Connor Seeley, Mike Pazik, Kyle Wiesinger, and John Carney. Team members spent much of their time in the off-season drilling and preparing for this upcoming season and the work is evident. They are working hard daily in practice and making big improvements for Coach Bradley. The team has been in many close games thus far, and the turning point may have been a tremendously exciting one-point victory over rival Newfane. The 2013-2014 Wilson Boys JV Basketball Team is set for a promising end to their season and the future has never looked brighter for Wilson hoops.



JV Girls Basketball Undefeated

The 2013-2014 Girls JV Basketball team has had a great start to the season, with a 7-0 league-record and 10-1 overall. With 11 returning players this team is experienced and a ton of fun to watch play! The team's great leadership begins with our captains: Sophomores Lauren Couturier and Serina Jaeger along with Freshmen Kayla Neumann and Alex Seeley. The team plays well on both ends of the floor but opposing coaches note the Lakewomen defense as the key to their success. Leading the way on the defensive end are Leah Herman and Freshmen newcomer Jennifer Darlak. As the varsity team graduates seven at years end, many of these outstanding JV players will be asked to fill some big shoes up on the varsity team next year. From what we've witnessed so far, the girls will be ready for that challenge! Coach Moon is happy with the intensity and determination of this team. The future is bright for Lakewomen basketball!



... A Word from Jeff Roth, Wilson Athletic Director

It feels like spring! Ok, maybe not the weather. But it sure feels like spring in the Athletic Office these days with our game and practice changes and cancellations! I hope Mother Nature takes care of us this spring after this winter!

It was good to see so many of our recent alum's coming back and cheering on our Lakemen and Lakewomen over their winter breaks from school. Our current athletes truly appreciate the support they receive from our community and friends.

Congratulations to all of our fall varsity teams and athletes. Every team qualified as a New York State Scholar-Athlete team! Athletes will get pins from NYSPHSAA for their achievement.

I'm happy to report our participation numbers are high again for winter, and our student-athletes are representing the school, the district, and the Wilson community well. Our athletes have been involved in a little bit of everything this winter while learning some quality life lessons through sports.

Lastly, a BIG thank you goes out to the Booster Club officers and all the parents who helped out in the concession stand this winter. As you are well aware, the Booster Club uses the money earned from the concessions on our athletes and teams.

