

## LEAFS PUNCH SECTIONAL TICKETS AT LOADED GALESBURG REGIONAL

On Saturday, October 20th, the Leafs traveled to Galesburg's Lake Storey Park to participate in the IHSA Regional. The weatherman was kind to us today as we were greeted with a wonderful day. The daytime high was 63 and the winds were minimal (8 mph.) Unfortunately, the rain from the last 3 days left the course VERY wet and muddy. Thus, the times were slow due to the poor footing and the fact the course is challenging. In addition, the course is long (3.04 miles.) Add to that the fact that several sectional powerhouses were in attendance and the result was a highly competitive field.



### DA LADY LEAFS MOMENTS BEFORE THE RACE'S START

The girls got things rolling at 10:00 am. Our girls were seeded 3rd coming in with a few more teams licking their chops hoping that the Lady Leafs were past their peak. NOT happening. The Lady Leafs exploded off the line at the crack of the starter's gun and moved into great positioning. Our leader all season long, Emily Ford, broke with the lead pack of 4 and they roared away from the field. Emily ran strong the entire race and nailed a strong 5th place finish to earn All-Region Honors. Not far behind was a fast-closing Halle Olson who kicked several athletes down to nail a strong 7th place finish. Next up were Lauren Coulter and Maggie Schlindwein who packed together nicely for much of the race and rolled in placing 14th and 19th overall. Closing the scoring was Taylor Claus with a strong 24th place showing with Katie Puls and Morgan Kelly close behind in 27th and 32nd places respectfully. When the dust had settled and the points were totaled, the Lady Leafs had finished a strong 2nd behind Regional Champions Peoria Notre Dame (yeah, they're State-Ranked.) Way to roll, Ladies! I am already salivating for next Saturday. I love your chances of "Dancing at Detweiller" come November. Believe in each other and race with confidence.





### THE MAPLE LEAFS MOMENTS BEFORE THE STARTER'S GUN

The boys took off at 10:45 am and I must admit that I was freaking out with worry that we were out too fast until I realized that the race pace was relaxed for the first 800 meters. After that it got rolling and the "Big 5" blasted away from the field with senior Tri-Captain Jordan Starkey in that group. Jordan was not feeling 100% but ran a tough race nonetheless (when doesn't he?!) and he held on nicely for a solid 5th place and All-Region Honors. Next up was senior Mitchell Lawson who ran a smart race to nail 16th place and continue his consistent racing. Up next was sophomore David Chenoweth who led the Leaf "Pack Attack" and rolled across the finish line in a solid 22nd place. Closing the scoring were Tony Gatter and Nick Fox who nailed 26th and 28th places respectfully. Not far behind were Mitchell Lamb and Chaise Blakley who placed 30th and 33rd overall. We were seeded 4th coming in and that is where we finished. Needless to say the field was loaded and I am proud to say that we raced with a lot of "Passion and Purpose". No one will be looking for the Maple Leafs to punch a state ticket next Saturday except US. The door is cracked open with the opportunity of nailing one of the coveted 5 qualifying spots. Every year there are always a few surprises and that is our goal. Believe in each other and race with PRIDE. DREAM BIG and race smart and you might just be smiling at the starting line of the STATE FINALS. Good Luck, Men.



# Webster, Rasso help UT to regional title

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**GALESBURG** — From the start of the Class 2A Galesburg Regional, it seemed certain that the cross country race winner was going to be won by either United Township's Austin Webster or Tyler Rasso.

In the final turn, the two still were unable to separate, but just when it seemed like Rasso had the race wrapped up, Webster came charging back with the same closing speed that won him the Western Big 6 Conference meet eight days earlier.

Webster completed the race at Lake Storey Park in 15:59, outlasting his teammate by two seconds.

"I was actually about to give up," Webster said of passing Rasso in the closing moments. "Then I decided to use my kick, and it hurt my hamstring a little bit; (Rasso) has a good kick, too."

What was an unexpected surprise was UT (51 points) edging Peoria Notre Dame for the regional title by four points.

"Everybody has been stepping up their game lately," Rasso said. "We've just been trying to cut down our time between each other. We did a fantastic job of that, and it's not just the two of us. It's the entire team. We are going to have confidence because of that for sectionals, and



Austin Webster

that's going to be great."

The Panthers' Sean Dopler's 11th place finish in 16:59 proved to be critical in breaking up a pack of four Peoria Notre Dame runners. That got the Panthers the pivotal points in what UT coach Russ Boore called an A-plus performance.

"At conference I felt like I should have pushed harder to be at the front of the pack," Dopler said. "This week, I put it all out there."

Rock Island's Eric Ikundiro was the only runner to bridge the gap between Rasso, Webster and the rest of the field, finishing third in 16:20.

Ikundiro seemed proud of Rocky's fifth-place performance as a team, and hopes that individually he



Tyler Rasso

can continue to stay at the head of the pack his senior season.

"I ran fast at sectional last season," Ikundiro said. "This season, I want to be top five at sectionals."

Geneseo was fourth in the team standings and paced by senior Jordan Starkey's fifth-place finish in 16:34.

"If we want to qualify as a team, everyone is going to have to run a spectacular race," Starkey said. "We started off the season spotty with people here and there, but we're really getting bunched in now because that's what we need. Those places in between runners are kind of what kills teams."

All advancing individu-

als and teams will compete in the Peoria Notre Dame Sectional.

**Geneseo takes second:** The Maple Leafs (67 points) took second behind first-place Peoria Notre Dame (51) in the girls' standings. Emily Ford led Geneseo with a fifth-place finish.

"I think a lot of people on this team really want it," said Ford, who completed the race in 20:06. "I think there's a lot of drive on this team just to get to that state level as a team. I think we know are potential and how great it would be so eager working towards state this entire season because that's what we want to achieve."

The Maples Leafs' Halle Olson continued her strong season with a seventh-place finish at 20:25. Rocky's Isabel Vallejo finished eight in 20:26.

"I was upset about my conference run," Vallejo said. "It didn't feel good at all, so it's nice that I was able to have a good one. I want to make sure I solidified my spot on the team because there's a lot of girls that are good and could be there."

Galesburg Stephanie Saey continued to build on her success at the Big 6 meet by winning the regional (18:14).

United Township's Michaela Gordon (21:19) finished 22nd, helping the Panthers advance to next week's Peoria Notre Dame Sectional as a team.

## Class 2A boys

### Galesburg Regional

at Lake Storey Park 3.04 miles

**Team results:** 1, United Township 51; 2, Peoria Notre Dame 55; 3, Dunlap 69; 4, Geneseo 97; 5, Rock Island 149; 6, Galesburg 165; 7, Bartonville Limestone 182; 8, Peoria Richwoods 195; 9, Peoria High 256.  
**Top 10:** 1, Austin Webster, UT, 15:59; 2, Tyler Rasso, UT, 16:01; 3, Eric Ikundiro, RI, 16:20; 4, Zach Plank, Dunlap, 16:24; 5, Jordan Starkey, Geneseo, 16:34; 6, Chris Fortin, PND, 16:42; 7, Everett Lep, Dunlap, 16:52; 8, David Whittle Galesburg, 16:57; 9, Anthony Holshouser, Dunlap, 16:58; 10, Ryan Frow, PND, 16:59.

**Advancing individuals:** 21, Derek Heerman, Peoria, 17:49; 29, Brandon Rice 17:51; 37, Mitch Frager, Peoria Richwoods, 18:23; 42, Trent Schroeder 18:53; 43, Dan Barbee, Peoria Richwoods, 18:55.  
**UT:** 1, Webster 15:59; 2, Rasso 16:01; 11, Sean Dopler 16:59; 17, Bruce Taylor 17:14; 20, Russ Boore 17:24; 23, Pauley Boore 17:36; 34, Curtis Newberry 17:59.

**Geneseo:** 5, Starkey 16:34; 16, Mitchell Lawson, 17:08; 22, David Chenoweth 17:31; 26, Jay Gatter 17:47; 28, Nick Fox, 17:50; 30, Mitchell Lamb 17:54; 33, Chaise Blakley 17:58.

**Rock Island:** 3, Eric Ikundiro 16:20; 32, Thomas Ramirez 17:57; 36, Josh Hathorn 18:14; 38, Sean Anderson 18:34; 40, Paul Sanders 18:39; 52, Siafa Jabbar 19:41; 54, Alex Jackson 19:59.

## Class 2A girls

### Galesburg Regional

at Lake Storey Park 3.04 miles

**Team results:** 1, Peoria Notre Dame 51; 2, Geneseo 67; 3, Galesburg 75; 4, Dunlap 93; 5, Peoria Richwoods 101; 6, Rock Island 110; 7, United Township 176; 8, Bartonville 260.  
**Top 10:** 1, Stephanie Saey, Galesburg, 18:14; 2, Maryjeanne Gilbert, PND, 18:38; 3, Kristin Slomba, PND, 19:45; 4, Daniela Vidal, Peoria Richwoods, 20:02; 5, Emily Ford, Geneseo, 20:06; 6, Morgan Eberle, Peoria Richwoods, 20:15; 7, Halle Olson, Geneseo, 20:25; 8, Isabel Vallejo, RI, 20:26; 9, Taylor Daly, PND, 20:29; 10, Kristen Wu, Dunlap, 20:37.

**Advancing individuals:** 16, Mariah Torres, Peoria High, 20:59; 44, Jessica Nieto, Peoria High, 22:51; 52, Sara Bane, Limestone, 24:20; 52, Haley Leuallen, Limestone, 24:23; 54, Amelia Stagg, Peoria High, 26:09.

**Geneseo:** 5, Ford 20:06; 7, Halle Olson 20:25; 14, Lauren Coulter 20:52; 18, Maggie Schlindwein 21:15; 23, Taylor Claus 21:32; 26, Kaitie Puls 21:44; 31, Morgan Kelly 21:59.

**Rock Island:** 8, Isabel Vallejo 20:26; 12, Agok Ayuen 20:44; 27, Mariah Hoover 21:52; 29, Claire Bacon 21:56; 34, Sara Stockdale 22:14; 37, Abbi Wieland 22:21; 45, Kirsten Tauke 23:25.

**United Township:** 22, Michaela Gordon 21:19; 35, Alora Esparza 22:16; 36, Emily Robinson 22:18; 39, Alyssa Diaz 22:21; 44, Tiara Roberts 23:20; 48, Kailin Sauco 24:09; 49, Rachel Massa 24:12.

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## 2012 GALESBURG REGIONAL

<b>Date:</b> 10/20/12					
<b>Site:</b> Lake Storey Park in Galesburg					
<b>Conditions:</b> 61° with light winds.....course wet and muddy					
<b>Racing Distance:</b> 3.04 miles					
	<b>TIME</b>	<b>ATHLETE</b>	<b>PLACE</b>	<b>1-MILE</b>	<b>2-Mile</b>
1	20:06	Emily Ford-12	5	6:10	13:00
2	20:25	Halle Olson-11	7	6:24	13:26
3	20:52	Lauren Coulter-09	14	6:26	13:35
4	21:15	Maggie Schlindwein-12	19	6:31	13:27
5	21:32	Taylor Claus-09	24	6:32	13:27
6	21:44	Katie Puls-10	27	6:32	14:10
7	21:59	Morgan Kelly-11	32	6:45	14:16
	18:14	Race Leader	1	5:48	12:02
		Geneseo Spread			
		1-5: 1:26			
		1-7: 1:53			
	<b>TIME</b>	<b>ATHLETE</b>	<b>PLACE</b>	<b>1-MILE</b>	<b>2-MILE</b>
1	16:34	Jordan Starkey-12	5	5:03	10:38
2	17:08	Mitchell Lawson-12	16	5:16	11:09
3	17:31	David Chenoweth-10	22	5:23	11:24
4	17:47	Tony Gatter-11	26	5:20	11:30
5	17:50	Nick Fox-09	28	5:26	11:26
6	17:54	Mitchell Lamb-11	30	5:23	11:38
7	17:58	Chaise Blakley-11	33	5:30	11:37
	15:59	Race Leader	1	5:03	10:27
		Geneseo Spread			
		1-5: 1:16			
		1-7: 1:24			

## IHSA Class 2A Regional - 10/22/2011

**Galesburg**  
**Lake Storey Park**  
**Rankings**

**Event 1 Girls 5k Run CC**

Name	Year School	Finals	Points
1 Stephanie Saey	Sr Galesburg (H.S.)	18:14	1
2 Maryjeanne Gilbert	Fr Peoria (Notre Dame)	18:38	2
3 Kristin Slomba	So Peoria (Notre Dame)	19:45	3
4 Daniela Vidal	Sr Peoria (Richwoods)	20:02	4
5 Emily Ford	Sr Geneseo	20:06	5
6 Morgan Eberle	Sr Peoria (Richwoods)	20:15	6
7 Halle Olson	Jr Geneseo	20:25	7
8 Isabel Vallejo	Jr Rock Island (H.S.)	20:26	8
9 Taylor Daly	Jr Peoria (Notre Dame)	20:29	9
10 Kristen Wu	Fr Dunlap	20:37	10
11 Sara Saey	Fr Galesburg (H.S.)	20:43	11
12 Agok Ayuen	Fr Rock Island (H.S.)	20:44	12
13 Anastasia Beetler	Fr Galesburg (H.S.)	20:45	13
14 Lauren Coulter	Fr Geneseo	20:52	14
15 Abby Jockisch	So Dunlap	20:53	15
16 Mariah Torres	Jr Peoria (H.S.)	20:59	
17 Abby Ricca	So Peoria (Notre Dame)	21:00	16
18 Tashawna Nash	Jr Peoria (Richwoods)	21:03	17
19 Maggie Schlindwein	Sr Geneseo	21:15	18
20 Danielle Snarr	Jr Dunlap	21:16	19
21 Jordan Shroyer	Fr Galesburg (H.S.)	21:17	20
22 Rebecca Kerns	So Peoria (Notre Dame)	21:18	21
23 Michaela Gordon	Fr East Moline	21:19	22
24 Taylor Claus	Fr Geneseo	21:32	23
25 Gabrielle Reed	Fr Dunlap	21:39	24
26 Ana Landon	Jr Dunlap	21:41	25
27 Katie Puls	So Geneseo	21:44	26
28 Mariah Hoover	Fr Rock Island (H.S.)	21:52	27
29 Abby Olcott	Fr Dunlap	21:54	28
30 Claire Bacon	Jr Rock Island (H.S.)	21:56	29
31 Alissa Kremer	Fr Galesburg (H.S.)	21:57	30
32 Morgan Kelly	Jr Geneseo	21:59	31
33 Jordan Carter	Jr Peoria (Richwoods)	21:59	32
34 Lila Johnson	Sr Galesburg (H.S.)	22:07	33
35 Sara Stockdale	Fr Rock Island (H.S.)	22:14	34
36 Alora Esparza	Sr East Moline	22:16	35
37 Emily Robinson	Fr East Moline	22:18	36
38 Abbi Wieland	Jr Rock Island (H.S.)	22:21	37
39 Andrea Baumgartel	So Peoria (Notre Dame)	22:21	38
40 Alyssa Diaz	So East Moline	22:21	39
41 Cathryn Palmer	Fr Dunlap	22:24	40
42 Ellie Schwegel	So Peoria (Notre Dame)	22:38	41
43 Anna Kastelic	Jr Peoria (Richwoods)	22:39	42
44 Jessica Nieto	Sr Peoria (H.S.)	22:51	
45 Alyssa Main	Fr Galesburg (H.S.)	23:02	43
46 Tiara Roberts	Jr East Moline	23:20	44
47 Kirsten Tauke	Jr Rock Island (H.S.)	23:25	45
48 Madison Bootz	So Peoria (Richwoods)	23:33	46
49 Zoe Markham	Sr Peoria (Richwoods)	23:38	47
50 Kailin Saucedo	Fr East Moline	24:09	48
51 Rachel Massa	So East Moline	24:12	49

## Rankings

52	Sara Bane	Jr Bartonville	24:20	50
53	Haley Leuallen	So Bartonville	24:23	51
54	Amelia Stagg	Sr Peoria (H.S.)	26:09	
55	Salena Jump	So Bartonville	26:30	52
56	Tariah Page	Fr Bartonville	30:15	53
57	Melanie Campbell	Fr Bartonville	30:16	54

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1 Austin Webster	Jr East Moline	15:59	1
2 Tyler Rasso	Jr East Moline	16:01	2
3 Eric Ikundiro	Sr Rock Island (H.S.)	16:20	3
4 Zach Plank	Sr Dunlap	16:24	4
5 Jordan Starkey	Sr Geneseo	16:34	5
6 Chris Fortin	Jr Peoria (Notre Dame)	16:42	6
7 Everett Lepp	Sr Dunlap	16:52	7
8 David Whittle	Jr Galesburg (H.S.)	16:57	8
9 Anthony Holshouser	Jr Dunlap	16:58	9
10 Ryan Frow	Jr Peoria (Notre Dame)	16:59	10
11 Sean Dopler	Jr East Moline	16:59	11
12 Matt Dvorsky	Sr Peoria (Notre Dame)	17:01	12
13 Tyler Franciscovich	Sr Peoria (Notre Dame)	17:02	13
14 Ted Ehrhart	Sr Peoria (Notre Dame)	17:06	14
15 Thomas Thornton	So Bartonville	17:07	15
16 Mitchell Lawson	Sr Geneseo	17:08	16
17 Bruce Taylor	Jr East Moline	17:14	17
18 John Eberle	Jr Dunlap	17:21	18
19 Stephen Tony	Sr Peoria (Notre Dame)	17:22	19
20 Isaac Boore	Fr East Moline	17:24	20
21 Aaron Schaidle	Sr Peoria (Notre Dame)	17:28	21
22 David Chenoweth	So Geneseo	17:31	22
23 Pauly Boore	Jr East Moline	17:36	23
24 Matt Carr	Fr Bartonville	17:37	24
25 Paul Fecht	Sr Galesburg (H.S.)	17:43	25
26 Tony Gatter	Jr Geneseo	17:47	26
27 Derek Heerman	So Peoria (H.S.)	17:49	27
28 Nick Fox	Fr Geneseo	17:50	28
29 Brandon Rice	Jr Peoria (Richwoods)	17:51	29
30 Mitchell Lamb	Jr Geneseo	17:54	30
31 Thomas Skeels	So Dunlap	17:57	31
32 Thomas Ramirez	Jr Rock Island (H.S.)	17:57	32
33 Chaise Blakley	Jr Geneseo	17:58	33
34 Curtis Newberry	Sr East Moline	17:59	34
35 Jake Wolf	Sr Galesburg (H.S.)	18:05	35
36 Josh Hathorn	So Rock Island (H.S.)	18:14	36
37 Mitch Frager	Sr Peoria (Richwoods)	18:23	37
38 Sean Anderson	So Rock Island (H.S.)	18:34	38
39 Ben Meyer	Jr Dunlap	18:36	39
40 Paul Sanders	Sr Rock Island (H.S.)	18:39	40
41 Matt Ebert	Sr Dunlap	18:40	41
42 Trent Schroeder	Sr Peoria (Richwoods)	18:53	42
43 Dan Barbee	Sr Peoria (Richwoods)	18:55	43
44 Shawn Ratton	So Peoria (Richwoods)	18:57	44
45 Breon Rice	Sr Peoria (Richwoods)	19:03	45
46 Parker Herz	Fr Bartonville	19:03	46
47 Joseph Stewart	Fr Galesburg (H.S.)	19:06	47
48 Brody Williams	So Bartonville	19:17	48
49 Justin Reavley	So Bartonville	19:17	49
50 Bryce Fenton	So Galesburg (H.S.)	19:30	50
51 Travis Shoopman	Sr Peoria (Richwoods)	19:34	51



