



"DA TEAM" MOMENTS AFTER THE SECTIONAL RACE

Pictured are from Left to Right, Coach Don Fredericks, Kyle Sellers, Charlie Schlindwein, Nathan Soria, Gabe Johnson, Charley Elden, Keith Elden, Luke Johnson, and Coach Phillip Moe

LEAFS SEASON ENDS AT THE EAST PEORIA SECTIONAL

On Saturday, November 1st, the Leafs traveled to East Peoria's Illinois Central College to participate in the IHSA Sectional. The top 5 teams each qualified for next Saturday's State Finals. In addition, the Top 7 individuals NOT on the 5 qualifying teams also will join in the fun next weekend. The weatherman gave us a decent first day of November with a daytime of 50° with 10-15 mph winds. The boys field included teams from: Bartonville Limestone, Crete-Monee, East Peoria, Geneseo, LaSalle-Peru, Mahomet-Seymour, Metamora, Morris, Morton, New Lenox (Lincoln-Way West), New Lenox (Providence Catholic), Normal University, Normal West, Ottawa, Peoria Notre Dame, Peoria Richwoods, and Rock Island Alleman.

The boys race took off at 11:30 a.m. The field was simply LOADED and we knew that we would have to run our best race of the season to have a shot at cracking the top 10. The Leaf's toed the line with two juniors and five sophomores and got out nicely in the first 400 meters. Sophomore Nathan Soria ROARED through the first mile in 5:01 and was just outside the top 10 at the mile. Not far behind were his teammates who also got out aggressively. The race plan called to "take a calculated risk" and go out strong. The team executed this plan with mixed results in the remaining two miles. Nathan Soria ran another inspirational race, barely missing next Saturday's State Finals by two individuals. His effort was maximal and left him in 23rd place overall, with an outstanding time of 16:01 in the talented field. That is the 6th fastest time by a Geneseo runner on the East Peoria Course in SCHOOL HISTORY. Great effort! Next up were juniors Charley Elden and Gabe Johnson who rolled into the finish chute in 61st and 64th places. Gabe, in particular, had a monster race, following a couple weeks of struggling with side aches. Sophomores, Charlie Schlindwein and Luke Johnson closed our scoring with their 80th and 104th

place showings. Fellow sophomores Keith Elden and Kyle Sellers weren't far behind with their 119th and 128th places.

We knew that our chances to qualify and the state final drought that has lasted since 1999, was significantly diminished, with Senior Standout David Chenoweth on the sidelines with an injury. The team fought hard anyway. No excuses were given and each man did what he could. The bottom line is we ended up right where we were predicted to via our 13th place team finish. Our young team gained a plethora of valuable "Big Meet" experience. That experience should pay HUGE dividends next spring and fall, if each of you is willing to pay the price of success. We need to heal up and then attack a strong winter of base mileage. Follow that up with a strong winter and spring of track racing and we are on the way. All that will remain, at that point, is a strong summer of base mileage. Then Men, you will be ready to "KICK THAT DARN DOOR DOWN" and lead our team back to competing in the STATE FINALS. We can't change the fact that we are in one of the toughest sectionals in the state. Let's embrace that fact instead of using it as an excuse. The future looks tremendous. All we need is each man doing his job. That's what makes it so special because no one can do it alone. It will take a TEAM EFFORT. Remember, we have NO WEAK LINKS. You had a GREAT SEASON MEN! We are extremely proud of each of you.

Maple Leafs eliminated at sectional meet



Photo submitted

The Maple Leafs pose for a photo after the sectional meet. Pictured are, from left: Coach Don Fredericks, Kyle Sellers, Charlie Schlindwein, Nathan Soria, Gabe Johnson, Charley Elden, Keith Elden, Luke Johnson, and Coach Phillip Moe.

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Republic Sports Editor

The Maple Leafs' Nathan Soria finished just two spots out of qualifying for the IHSA state cross country finals.

The sophomore Soria finished 23rd (16:01) among a loaded field in the East Peoria sectional.

Geneseo was shut out of the Top 5 teams and Top 7 individuals not on qualifying teams advancing to the state meet.

The Maple Leafs finished 13th place in the deeply talented field.

Running without senior David Chenoweth sidelined with tendonitis, Geneseo relied on a youthful group of two juniors and five sophomores.

Soria finished 10 seconds behind the final individual qualifier Matthew Church

from East Peoria (15:51).

It was the sixth fastest time by a Maple Leafs' runner at the East Peoria Course in school history.

Geneseo's Charley Elden

was 61st (16:37), and Gabe Johnson finished 64th (16:41).

Charlie Schlindwein came in 80th place (16:52), and Luke Johnson closed out the Top 5 landing 104th place

(17:20).

Maple Leafs sophomores Keith Elden and Kyle Sellers weren't far behind. Elden finished 119th (18:00), and Sellers was 128th (18:17).

"Our young team gained a plethora of valuable big-meet experience," Geneseo coach Don Fredericks said. "That experience should pay huge dividends next spring and fall."

Class 2A

East Peoria Sectional

Team results (top 5 advance to state):
1, Mahomet-Seymour 62; 2, Normal U-High 91; 3, Metamora 115; 4, Limestone 145; 5, Peoria Notre Dame 181; 8, Alleman 198; 13, Geneseo 306.

Top 5: 1, Leebel, M-S, 15:01; 2, Bruno, NU, 15:05; 4, Gillum, Meta, 15:09; 4, Wolf, M-S, 15:12; 5, Wipfler, Meta, 15:20.

Advancing individuals: Carius, Morton, 15:25; Copeland, Dunlap, 15:27; Mitchell, Lincoln-Way West, 15:32; Church, EP, 15:41; Feehan, Lincoln-Way West, 15:42; Ugbesia, Rich East, 15:46; Church, EP, 15:51.

Alleman: 27, Kienan Otto, 16:05; 31, Augie Darrow, 16:11; 35, Wesley Graham, 16:12; 42, Spencer Smith, 16:16; 63, Aaron Golding, 16:46; 76, Brendan Hird, 16:57; 81, Connor Sheley, 17:01.

Geneseo: 22, Nathan Soria, 16:01; 56, Charley Elden, 16:37; 59, Gabe Johnson, 16:41; 74, Charlie Schlindwein, 16:52; 95, Luke Johnson, 17:20; 107, Keith Elden, 18:00; 115, Kyle Sellers, 18:17.

2014 EAST PEORIA SECTIONAL MEET

SPLIT SHEET

Date: 11/01/14						
Site: East Peoria's Illinois Central College Course						
Conditions: Daytime high of 40° 10 to 15 mph winds. COOL						
Racing Distance: 3.00 miles (course hard and fast)						
	TIME	ATHLETE	PLACE	RACE	1-MILE	2-MILE
1	16:01	Nathan Soria	23	VAR	5:01	10:36
2	16:37	Charley Elden	61	VAR	5:11	11:01
3	16:41	Gabe Johnson	64	VAR	5:17	11:02
4	16:52	Charlie Schlindwein	80	VAR	5:17	11:09
5	17:20	Luke Johnson	104	VAR	5:28	11:29
6	18:00	Keith Elden	119	VAR	5:40	11:39
7	18:17	Kyle Sellers	128	VAR	5:35	12:02
	DNC	none				
	15:01	Race Leader	1	VAR	4:52	10:02
		Geneseo Spread				
		1-5: 1:19				
		1-7: 2:16				

ILLINOIS HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION CROSS COUNTRY SECTIONAL
 November 1, 2014 HOST: EAST PEORIA COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL
 Boys - Team Score

Place	Score	SCHOOL	(Total, Average, Pack Times)
1.	62	Mahomet (M.-Seymour)	(1:17:43, 15:32.49, 1:02)
	1	4 14 18 25 (37) (66)	
		Keeble, Wolf, Hyde, Walmer, Fortune, Butcher, Hanlon	
2.	91	Normal (University)	(1:18:31, 15:42.10, 1:11)
	2	7 12 29 41 (67) (91)	
		Bruno, Hill, Franklin, Walch, Schuckman, Gillam, Will	
3.	115	Metamora	(1:18:59, 15:47.78, 1:24)
	3	5 10 46 51 (68)	
		Gillum, Wipfler, Mangold, McClure, Crotteau, Koval	
4.	145	Bartonville (Limestone)	(1:20:15, 16:03.00, 1:02)
	11	16 28 33 57 (87) (88)	
		Carr, Thornton, Hiserote, Williams, Herz, Reavley, Jewell	
5.	181	Peoria (Notre Dame)	(1:20:55, 16:10.94, 1:05)
	17	21 30 40 73 (94) (97)	
		Bruch, Fortin, Dickerson, Maushard, Ehrhart, Bauer, Couri	
6.	188	Normal (Community West)	(1:21:20, 16:15.91, 0:46)
	20	23 34 53 58 (80) (103)	
		Hillegass, Degroot, Dunn, O'Neal, McQueen, Losk, Kinley	
7.	197	New Lenox (Lincoln-Way We	(1:21:02, 16:12.39, 1:39)
	9	15 36 48 89 (96) (98)	
		Mitchell, Feehan, Stafinski, Motto, Taylor, Mulder, Stripeik	
8.	198	Rock Island (Alleman)	(1:21:28, 16:17.54, 0:41)
	27	31 35 42 63 (76) (81)	
		Otto, Darrow, Graham, Smith, Golding, Hird, Sheley	
9.	199	Dunlap	(1:21:22, 16:16.27, 1:17)
	8	26 44 60 61 (77) (86)	
		Copeland, Fick, Potts, Tow, Monge, Fordyce, Skeels	
10.	240	East Peoria	(1:22:14, 16:26.78, 1:53)
	13	19 45 64 99 (102) (106)	
		Church, Church, Giebelhausen, Skaggs, O'Donohue, Roberts, Schwinn	
11.	277	New Lenox (Providence Cat	(1:22:51, 16:34.17, 1:05)
	24	38 52 78 85 (101) (104)	
		Davis, Sharkey, Higgins, Hintz, Grossmayer, Martin, Brody	
12.	293	Morton	(1:22:53, 16:34.49, 1:41)
	6	55 69 79 84 (114) (116)	
		Carius, Lange, Hilliard, Siscoe, Riegler, Fowler, Messer	
13.	306	Geneseo	(1:23:30, 16:41.84, 1:19)
	22	56 59 74 95 (107) (115)	
		Soria, Elden, Johnson, Schlindwein, Johnson, Elden, Sellers	

14. 331 Morris (1:23:53, 16:46.59, 1:04)
32 62 70 75 92 (93) (122)
Wantland, Alvarez, Patterson, Hesslau, Gallegos,
Degrush, Eliakis
15. 344 LaSalle (L.-Peru) (1:24:05, 16:48.89, 0:28)
54 65 71 72 82 (119) (120)
Kessel, Sebastian, Hickey, Porter, Stoneking,
Pijanowski, Pyse
16. 389 Peoria (Richwoods) (1:25:49, 17:09.74, 1:43)
43 50 83 105 108 (109) (111)
Rattan, Green, Patacsil, Boyle, Miller, McConnell,
Guerrero
17. 418 Ottawa (Twp.) (1:26:40, 17:19.95, 1:44)
47 49 100 110 112 (117) (118)
McGettigan, Leseure, Weiss, Bruck, Williamson, Curtis,
Klatt
18. 486 Crete (C.-Monee) (1:31:11, 18:14.08, 3:49)
39 90 113 121 123
Bland, O'Berry, Walker, Duncan, Soto

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 Boys Individual Results

Place	Team Place Name	School	Yr Time	Pace
1.	1 Alex Keeble	Mahomet (M.-Seymour)	JR 15:01	5:01
2.	2 Alexander Bruno	Normal (University)	SR 15:05	5:02
3.	3 Jake Gillum	Metamora	SO 15:09	5:03
4.	4 William Wolf	Mahomet (M.-Seymour)	SR 15:12	5:04
5.	5 Matt Wipfler	Metamora	SR 15:20	5:07
6.	6 Brady Carius	Morton	SR 15:24	5:08
7.	7 Eli Hill	Normal (University)	SR 15:26	5:09
8.	8 Phillip Copeland	Dunlap	SR 15:27	5:09
9.	9 Evan Mitchell	New Lenox (Lincoln-Way	SO 15:32	5:11
10.	10 John Mangold	Metamora	SR 15:34	5:12
11.	11 Matt Carr	Bartonville (Limestone)	JR 15:37	5:13
12.	12 Jack Franklin	Normal (University)	SO 15:38	5:13
13.	13 Michael Church	East Peoria	SO 15:41	5:14
14.	14 Jack Hyde	Mahomet (M.-Seymour)	JR 15:42	5:14
15.	15 Mitch Feehan	New Lenox (Lincoln-Way	JR 15:42	5:14
16.	16 Thomas Thornton	Bartonville (Limestone)	SR 15:44	5:15
17.	Diamonte Ugbesia	Park Forest (Rich East)	SR 15:46	5:16
18.	17 Patrick Bruch	Peoria (Notre Dame)	SO 15:47	5:16
19.	18 Andrew Walmer	Mahomet (M.-Seymour)	SO 15:47	5:16
20.	19 Matthew Church	East Peoria	SR 15:51	5:17
21.	20 Alex Hillegass	Normal (Community West)	JR 15:55	5:19
22.	21 Victor Fortin	Peoria (Notre Dame)	JR 15:55	5:19
23.	22 Nathan Soria	Geneseo	SO 16:01	5:21
24.	Austin Bicknell	Bloomington (H.S.)	FR 16:02	5:21
25.	23 Matt Degroot	Normal (Community West)	JR 16:02	5:21
26.	24 Michael Davis	New Lenox (Providence C	SR 16:02	5:21
27.	25 Riley Fortune	Mahomet (M.-Seymour)	FR 16:03	5:21
28.	26 Drew Fick	Dunlap	SO 16:05	5:22
29.	27 Kienan Otto	Rock Island (Alleman)	SR 16:05	5:22
30.	28 Tyler Hiserote	Bartonville (Limestone)	JR 16:07	5:23
31.	29 Andrew Walch	Normal (University)	SR 16:08	5:23
32.	30 Brady Dickerson	Peoria (Notre Dame)	JR 16:09	5:23
33.	Derek Heerman	Peoria (H.S.)	SR 16:10	5:24
34.	31 Augie Darrow	Rock Island (Alleman)	SO 16:11	5:24
35.	32 Jacob Wantland	Morris	SR 16:11	5:24
36.	33 Brody Williams	Bartonville (Limestone)	SR 16:11	5:24
37.	34 Tyler Dunn	Normal (Community West)	FR 16:11	5:24
38.	35 Wesley Graham	Rock Island (Alleman)	SR 16:12	5:24
39.	36 Kamil Stafinski	New Lenox (Lincoln-Way	SR 16:12	5:24
40.	37 Brian Butcher	Mahomet (M.-Seymour)	SO 16:13	5:25
41.	38 Mitch Sharkey	New Lenox (Providence C	SR 16:14	5:25
42.	39 Tyler Bland	Crete (C.-Monee)	SR 16:14	5:25
43.	40 Mitchell Maushard	Peoria (Notre Dame)	SO 16:15	5:25
44.	41 Jared Schuckman	Normal (University)	FR 16:16	5:26
45.	42 Spencer Smith	Rock Island (Alleman)	FR 16:16	5:26
46.	43 Shawn Rattan	Peoria (Richwoods)	SR 16:22	5:28
47.	44 Carson Potts	Dunlap	SO 16:24	5:28
48.	45 Cody Giebelhausen	East Peoria	SR 16:25	5:29
49.	46 Keaton McClure	Metamora	SR 16:25	5:29
50.	47 Seamus McGettigan	Ottawa (Twp.)	JR 16:26	5:29

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51.	48 Peter Motto	New Lenox (Lincoln-Way	JR	16:27	5:29
52.	Joseph Stewart	Galesburg (H.S.)	JR	16:28	5:30
53.	49 Tj Leseure	Ottawa (Twp.)	JR	16:28	5:30
54.	50 Jeremy Green	Peoria (Richwoods)	SR	16:28	5:30
55.	Jack Klekamp	Washington	SR	16:31	5:31
56.	51 Matt Crotteau	Metamora	JR	16:32	5:31
57.	52 Mike Higgins	New Lenox (Providence C	JR	16:33	5:31
58.	53 Nick O'Neal	Normal (Community West)	JR	16:34	5:32
59.	54 Alec Kessel	LaSalle (L.-Peru)	SO	16:35	5:32
60.	55 Ben Lange	Morton	SO	16:36	5:32
61.	56 Charley Elden	Geneseo	JR	16:37	5:33
62.	57 Parker Herz	Bartonville (Limestone)	JR	16:38	5:33
63.	58 Colin McQueen	Normal (Community West)	FR	16:40	5:34
64.	59 Gabe Johnson	Geneseo	JR	16:41	5:34
65.	60 Clark Tow	Dunlap	JR	16:43	5:35
66.	Alex Mitchell	Washington	FR	16:44	5:35
67.	61 Matt Monge	Dunlap	JR	16:44	5:35
68.	62 Alan Alvarez	Morris	JR	16:44	5:35
69.	63 Aaron Golding	Rock Island (Alleman)	JR	16:46	5:36
70.	64 Mark Skaggs	East Peoria	FR	16:47	5:36
71.	65 Brendon Sebastian	LaSalle (L.-Peru)	SO	16:47	5:36
72.	66 Trevor Hanlon	Mahomet (M.-Seymour)	SR	16:47	5:36
73.	67 Tanner Gillam	Normal (University)	FR	16:48	5:36
74.	68 Nick Koval	Metamora	FR	16:48	5:36
75.	69 Bret Hilliard	Morton	SO	16:49	5:37
76.	70 Austin Patterson	Morris	SR	16:50	5:37
77.	71 Connor Hickey	LaSalle (L.-Peru)	SR	16:50	5:37
78.	72 Ryan Porter	LaSalle (L.-Peru)	SO	16:51	5:37
79.	73 Max Ehrhart	Peoria (Notre Dame)	JR	16:52	5:37
80.	74 Charlie Schlindwein	Geneseo	SO	16:52	5:38
81.	75 Jake Hesslau	Morris	SR	16:56	5:39
82.	76 Brendan Hird	Rock Island (Alleman)	FR	16:57	5:39
83.	Eric Allen	Park Forest (Rich East)	FR	16:57	5:39
84.	77 Aaron Fordyce	Dunlap	SR	16:58	5:40
85.	78 Jacob Hintz	New Lenox (Providence C	SO	16:59	5:40
86.	79 Zack Siscoe	Morton	JR	17:01	5:41
87.	80 Zaine Losk	Normal (Community West)	FR	17:01	5:41
88.	81 Connor Sheley	Rock Island (Alleman)	SO	17:01	5:41
89.	82 Owen Stoneking	LaSalle (L.-Peru)	SO	17:03	5:41
90.	83 Jace Patacsil	Peoria (Richwoods)	JR	17:03	5:41
91.	84 Tristan Riegler	Morton	SR	17:05	5:42
92.	Jacob Lee	Washington	SR	17:06	5:42
93.	85 Mike Grossmayer	New Lenox (Providence C	SR	17:06	5:42
94.	86 Thomas Skeels	Dunlap	SR	17:07	5:43
95.	87 Justin Reavley	Bartonville (Limestone)	SR	17:09	5:43
96.	88 Slade Jewell	Bartonville (Limestone)	SR	17:10	5:44
97.	89 Ryan Taylor	New Lenox (Lincoln-Way	FR	17:11	5:44
98.	90 Versye O'Berry	Crete (C.-Monee)	SO	17:12	5:44
99.	91 Grayson Will	Normal (University)	SO	17:14	5:45
100.	92 Vicente Gallegos	Morris	SR	17:14	5:45

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101.	Bricyn Healey	Galesburg (H.S.)	JR 17:19	5:47
102.	93 Tristan Degrush	Morris	SR 17:19	5:47
103.	94 Ben Bauer	Peoria (Notre Dame)	FR 17:20	5:47
104.	95 Luke Johnson	Geneseo	SO 17:20	5:47
105.	96 David Mulder	New Lenox (Lincoln-Way	SR 17:21	5:47
106.	97 John Couri	Peoria (Notre Dame)	FR 17:26	5:49
107.	98 Billy Stripeik	New Lenox (Lincoln-Way	SR 17:28	5:50
108.	99 Gavin O'Donohue	East Peoria	SO 17:33	5:51
109.	100 Jake Weiss	Ottawa (Twp.)	JR 17:34	5:52
110.	De'entre Blount	Peoria (H.S.)	JR 17:35	5:52
111.	101 Colin Martin	New Lenox (Providence C	SO 17:36	5:52
112.	102 Jacob Roberts	East Peoria	SR 17:36	5:52
113.	103 Glenn Kinley	Normal (Community West)	SO 17:37	5:53
114.	104 Sam Brody	New Lenox (Providence C	FR 17:40	5:54
115.	Arian Anderson	Peoria (H.S.)	SR 17:43	5:55
116.	105 Joshua Boyle	Peoria (Richwoods)	SO 17:52	5:58
117.	Alex Sennott	Pontiac	SO 17:53	5:58
118.	106 Patrick Schwinn	East Peoria	SR 17:59	6:00
119.	107 Keith Elden	Geneseo	SO 18:00	6:00
120.	108 Tom Miller	Peoria (Richwoods)	SR 18:05	6:02
121.	109 Keegan McConnell	Peoria (Richwoods)	SO 18:05	6:02
122.	110 Seth Bruck	Ottawa (Twp.)	JR 18:06	6:02
123.	111 Jackson Guerrero	Peoria (Richwoods)	SO 18:08	6:03
124.	112 Nate Williamson	Ottawa (Twp.)	SO 18:09	6:03
125.	113 Peyton Walker	Crete (C.-Monee)	FR 18:11	6:04
126.	114 Seth Fowler	Morton	SR 18:12	6:04
127.	Dolan Harris	Streator (Twp.)	SO 18:13	6:05
128.	115 Kyle Sellers	Geneseo	SO 18:17	6:06
129.	116 Adam Messer	Morton	JR 18:25	6:08
130.	117 Mason Curtis	Ottawa (Twp.)	SR 18:28	6:10
131.	118 Drew Klatt	Ottawa (Twp.)	FR 18:32	6:11
132.	119 Ryan Pijanowski	LaSalle (L.-Peru)	SO 18:34	6:12
133.	Logan Chismar	Streator (Twp.)	SR 18:37	6:13
134.	120 Christopher Pyse	LaSalle (L.-Peru)	JR 18:46	6:16
135.	121 Alan Duncan	Crete (C.-Monee)	SO 19:34	6:32
136.	122 Kris Eliakis	Morris	SR 19:36	6:32
137.	123 Josh Soto	Crete (C.-Monee)	SO 20:03	6:41

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