# Smith sets 50-yard record 

Pittsford swimmer makes 4 finals

Staff report
Katie Smith of Pittsford broke the state record in the 50 -yard freestyle at the New York State Championship preliminaries at Ithaca College on Friday.

Smith, a sophomore, finished in 23.05 seconds
and is the second Section $V$ swimmer in a year to set the standard in the 50 freestyle.

Honeoye Falls-Lima's Cari Stankaitis swam it in 23.25 last year. Before that, the record of 23.26 stood for 21 years.

Smith qualified for four finals races. She is also the No. 1 seed in the 100 freestyle and is on the Panthers' 200 and 400 freestyle relay teams. Smith finished second in the 50 and fourth in the

100 last year at states.
Canandaigua sophomore Serica Hallstead took fourth in the diving finals with 434.65 points. Victor's Erin Norton (424.1) and Newark's Alexandra House (423.25) were ninth and 10th, respectively. The rest of the finals begin at 10:15 a.m. Saturday.

## STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Section $V$ finals qualifiers
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Basic) 1:51.00; 8. 5. Pittsford (Stephie Riley, Becca Evans, Anne Marie Mozrall, Katie

McPherson) 1:51.11. 200 freestyle: 5. Lindsay Stone (Pittsford) 1:51.72. 50 freestyle: 1. Katie Smith (23.05); 5. Megan Burns (Rush-Henrietta) 24.11; 6. Sarah Baxter (Canandaigua) 24.17; 8. Mestha (Fairport) 24.29. 100 freestyle: 1 . Smith (Pittsford) 51.01;6. Sarah Baxter (Canandaigua) 51.91; 8 Burns (Rush-Henrietta) 52.11. 500 freeBurns (Rush-Henrietta) 52.11. 500 free-
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freestyle relay: 1. Pittsford (Stephanie Andrews, Emma Corby, Stone, Smith) 1:36.47; 4. Canandaigua (Sarah Jane Wied, Alyssa Baker, Heather Chrisman, Sarah Baxter) 1:38.44; 6 Fairport (Kumar, Mestha, Vienna Howard, Basic) 1:39.47; 8. Rush-Henrietta (Lucia Berkof, Alicia Shenal, Katie Burns, (Lucia Berkof, Alicia Shenal, Katie Burns,
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stroke: 10 . Kristina Posnick (Webster) stroke: 10. Kristina Posnick (Webster)
1:06.75. 400 freestyle relay: 2. Pittsford (Stone, Andrews, Evans, Smith) $3: 32.84 ; 5$ Webster (Natalie Neamtu, Lauren Nicastro, Sydney Krisanda, Posnick) 3:36.01; 10 Canandaigua (Chrisman, Kylie Loforte, Abbie Sullivan, Sarah Baxter) 3:39.26.

