DiBitettos pack a 1-2 punch
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SODUS POINT — By the time he reached the final three holes of Monday's Section V Golf Tournament, Anthony DiBitetto didn't have time to think about who might still be chasing him.

The Greece Athena sophomore had his own problems.

DiBitetto played the first 14 holes at r-under par before a double-bogey 6 on No. 15 and consecutive bogeys on 16 and 17 wobbled his confidence. But on 18 he showed his resolve.

DiBitetto saved par with a great up-and-down out of the sand, and when his older brother, Tony, who was in the final group, missed a 16-foot birdie putt on 18 that would have tied it, Andrew was crowned champion at Sodus Bay Heights Golf Club.

Andrew DiBitetto shot a 3-over 75 and Tony, a senior who was co-medalist last year, came in at 77.

The two-stroke difference was the result of Tony missing a meaningless two-footer on 18 after his birdie attempt was short.

Seven other players also qualified for the state tournament June 2-3 at Cornell University. Attica's Steve Goodridge and Bishop Kearney's Brian Riley grabbed the final two slots in a four-way playoff with Hornell's Jason Lockwood and Pittsford Sutherland's Kyle Jackson that lasted just one hole.

"Obviously, if I couldn't win (Andrew) winning is the next best thing," said Tony, the first Athena golfer to reach states three times.

The brothers shared medalist honors in last week's Monroe County Tournament of Champions. Tony was so sick that day he vomited at the course.

Monday he still was battling strep throat, but he refused to use that as an excuse.

"Andrew played well. He de-