

2012 Mirabito STOP-DWI Holiday Classic

Day Three – December 30, 2012

Broome County Veterans Memorial Arena

Game Fourteen

National Division (7th Place)

St. Raymond (*Bronx, NY*).....65

IC Norcom (*Portsmouth, VA*).....53

Sophomore Luis Santos poured in a team-high of 22 points for St. Raymond en route to a 65-53 victory over IC Norcom in the seventh place game of the National Division, Sunday morning at the 21st Mirabito STOP-DWI Holiday Classic. Santos added eight rebounds and four blocks for the Ravens.

Joining Santos in double figures for St. Raymond were Brandon Adams (12 pts.), Jaquan McKennon (11 pts.) and Tory Ferguson (10 pts.). The Ravens shot a sparkling 54 percent from the field on 24-for-44 shooting.

IC Norcom was led by a pair of 20-point scorers in Malique Trent and James Whitaker, who dropped 23 and 21, respectively. The duo accounted for 44 of the Greyhounds 53 points. IC Norcom shot just over 40 percent and committed a costly 23 turnovers, which resulted in 24 St. Raymond points.

In the second half, IC Norcom worked its way back into the game thanks to 10 points from Trent in the third quarter. On multiple occasions Trent was able to penetrate the St. Raymond defense for easy baskets. A late three by Whitaker helped the Greyhounds outscore the Ravens 20-16 in the third quarter, pulling within four of St. Raymond, 46-42 heading into the final period.

St. Raymond began to pull away in the fourth quarter, extending its lead to eight after a thunderous dunk by Santos. The Ravens made 8-of-9 free throws down the stretch to seal the 12-point victory.

In the first quarter, IC Norcom raced out of the gates with a 10-2 run, taking advantage of six St. Raymond turnovers. During the spurt, Whitaker recorded six points and four rebounds for the Greyhounds. However, St. Raymond did not go away, rallying with a 6-2 run capped off by a monster dunk from Santos. The Ravens trailed by just four points after the first eight minutes, 12-8.

Building off of the first quarter momentum, St. Raymond pushed ahead thanks to a 9-1 run to begin the second period. Utilizing their size advantage, the Bronx school converted on three field goals in the paint, including a pair of buckets from Santos. St. Raymond led 30-22 at the half powered by Santos' 12 points, three rebounds, and four blocks.

Santos was named to the All-Tournament Team for St. Raymond, while Whitaker earned the honor for IC Norcom.

Scoring	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
St. Raymond -	8	22	16	19	65
IC Norcom -	12	10	20	11	53

Leading Scorers

L. Santos (St. Raymond) – 22 points

M. Trent (IC Norcom) – 23 points

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Game Fifteen

National Division (5th Place)

Abraham Lincoln (<i>Brooklyn, N.Y.</i>).....	71
Brooklyn Collegiate (<i>Brooklyn, N.Y.</i>).....	43

Junior Isaiah Whitehead netted a game-high 20 points as Lincoln cruised past Brooklyn Collegiate 71-43 in the fifth place game of the National Division, Sunday morning at the 21st Mirabito STOP-DWI Holiday Classic.

After a pair of tough games to open the tournament, Whitehead scored 15 of his 20 points in the second half to get back on track. The No. 41 recruit in the Class of 2014 according to ESPN.com, went 8-for-13 from the floor, while grabbing five rebounds and handing out four assists.

Joining Whitehead in double figures for Lincoln were Tre'vonn Morton, Elijah Davis and Anaselahman Abdu, all chipping in 10 points apiece.

The Railsplitters employed a full-court press for much of the game forcing 23 Lion turnovers, which resulted in 33 points. Lincoln shot 49 percent from the field (27-for-55), while holding Brooklyn Collegiate to just 32 percent shooting.

Sophomore Willie Barnes led Brooklyn Collegiate with a team-high 11 points and six rebounds. The Lions hit just one three-pointer, going 1-of-12 from beyond the arc.

Lincoln blew the game open in the fourth quarter outscoring Brooklyn Collegiate 29-13 in the final frame. The Railsplitters opened the quarter on a 10-4 run capped by a Davis three-point play. Lincoln used a suffocating full court press to force several mistakes by the Lions. The pressure defense by Lincoln resulted in 14 second-half turnovers by Brooklyn Collegiate.

The second half started with an 8-0 run by Lincoln, ignited by a pair of baskets by Davis and Whitehead off a pair of turnovers. The Railsplitters began to break the game open in the third outscoring the Lions 16-9 in the frame, to hold a 42-30 lead heading into the final quarter.

Lincoln, who led start to finish, opened the game on a 7-0 run, thanks to five points from Whitehead. The Railsplitters pushed its first-quarter lead to ten after an Abdu fast break layup. However, Brooklyn Collegiate was able to trim the lead to seven, 19-12, by the end of the first period.

In the second quarter, both teams struggled to generate offense as neither team eclipsed double-digits for the period. An Abdu steal and layup extended the Lincoln lead to nine. Brooklyn Collegiate did not go away however, holding the Railsplitters to just seven second-quarter points. Brooklyn Collegiate outscored Lincoln 9-7 in the second quarter, but still trailed 26-21 at the half.

Desi Rodriguez (Lincoln) and Willie Barnes (Brooklyn Collegiate) were each named to the All-Tournament Team.

Scoring	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Lincoln HS	19	7	16	29	71
Brooklyn Collegiate	12	9	9	13	43

Leading Scorers

I. Whitehead (Lincoln) – 20 points

W. Barnes (Brooklyn Collegiate) – 11 points

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Game Sixteen

National Division (3rd Place)

Paul Laurence Dunbar (<i>Lexington, Ky.</i>).....	71
Philadelphia ETC (<i>Philadelphia, Pa.</i>).....	48

Senior Mike Smith scored a game-high 25 points to lead Dunbar to a 71-48 victory over Philadelphia ETC in the third-game of the National Division, Sunday afternoon at the 21st Mirabito STOP-DWI Classic. Smith was named to the All-Tournament Team for the Bulldogs.

EJ Floreal and Eric Trigg both reached double figures for Dunbar, contributing 11 and 10 points, respectively. The Bulldogs forced 17 Philadelphia ETC turnovers, resulting in 31 points.

Senior guard Steve Griffin led Philadelphia ETC with 12 points and three assists.

Philadelphia Electric started the game with an 8-1 run in the first three minutes. Dunbar's Floreal helped the Bulldogs respond with five points, four rebounds and a huge put back dunk to in the first quarter. The Bulldogs took a slim 15-12 lead into the second quarter

At half, Dunbar held a 28-24 lead thanks to steady guard play from Smith. The first two quarters were tightly contested in the first half with five lead changes and two ties.

The third quarter was dominated by Dunbar throughout, with a resounding 29-5 run which was capped off by an amazing alley-oop from Smith to Floreal. Following the third quarter, Dunbar was comfortably ahead 57-29. The Bulldogs shot 61 percent in the second half to cruise to the 23-point victory.

Smith was named to the All-Tournament Team for Dunbar, while Hakeem Baxter earned the honor for Philadelphia ETC.

Scoring	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Dunbar HS	15	13	29	14	71
Philadelphia ETC	12	12	5	19	48

Leading Scorers

M. Smith (Dunbar HS) – 25 points

S. Griffen (Philadelphia) – 12 points

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Game Seventeen

Regional Division II

Seton Catholic Central (<i>Binghamton, N.Y.</i>).....	54
Vestal High School (<i>Vestal, N.Y.</i>).....	44

Senior Pat Gosney knocked down four crucial free throws in the final minute to hold off a late Vestal charge and give Seton Catholic a 54-44 triumph over the Golden Bears Sunday afternoon from the Broome County Veterans Memorial Arena.

Seton Catholic came out strong against Vestal with a 9-0 run in the opening minutes, led by Pat Gosney who stuffed the stat sheet with three assists and two points. The Golden Bears struggled to get the ball in the hoop in the first half shooting just over 17 percent (5-of-29). On the opposite sideline, the Saints featured a balanced scoring attack. Six players made their way onto the scoring column led by point guard David George's eight point as Seton carried a 28-12 advantage going into the half.

The third quarter was a defensive stalemate as both teams combined to make just six field goals. The Saints bolstered their lead when Nate Whitman connected with Cody O'Neil who finished strong for the layup plus the harm, giving Seton Catholic their largest lead, 39-18, heading into the fourth quarter.

Down 39-18 to start the fourth, Vestal started to turn up the pressure and in the process became much more aggressive on the offensive end. Paced by senior guard Nick Mushalla, the Golden Bears inched their way back into the contest until with 1:17 left it was Mushalla who forced a turnover and converted on the layup to bring his team to within just six, 48-42. The comeback, which included 16-of-24 from the line for Vestal, fell just short as the Saints improved to 1-1 on the tournament with the victory.

Three players reached double figures for Seton led by George and Michael Korchak who tallied 11 apiece. Nate Whitman corralled a team-high 10 rebounds for the Saints who outrebounded Vestal 46-32 on the afternoon.

Mushalla led Vestal with 16 points, while Frank D'Esti added eight for the Golden Bears.

Seton guard Patrick Gosney was named to the All-Tournament Team.

Scoring	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Seton Catholic	15	13	11	15	54
Vestal HS	4	8	6	26	44

Leading Scorers

M. Korchak & D. George (Seton Catholic) – 11 points

N. Mushalla (Vestal) – 16 points

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Game Eighteen

Regional Division II - Championship

Chenango Valley High School (<i>Binghamton, N.Y.</i>).....	42
Susquehanna Valley High School (<i>Conklin, N.Y.</i>).....	57

Senior Brendon Normile recorded a monster double-double of 26 points and 18 rebounds to lead Susquehanna Valley past Chenango Valley, 57-42, en route to the Regional Division II championship, Sunday night at the 21st Mirabito STOP-DWI Holiday Classic. Normile was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player after averaging 21 points and 14.5 rebounds.

Senior Austin Simon added 14 points for the Sabers, who dominated the boards, holding a 45-20 margin over the Warriors. Simon and Normile were joined on the All-Tournament Team by Colin Manchester, who added eight points and seven rebounds.

Normile had an outstanding day from the floor, connecting on 8-of-12 shots while hitting 10 of his 12 free throw attempts. The 6-foot-8 forward added four blocks to his stat line.

Chenango Valley was led by All-Tournament selection Chris Ruffo, who scored 19 points for the Warriors. Senior Zach Collins added 10 points, earning a spot on the All-Tournament Team.

In the second half, Susquehanna looked to put the game away early flying out to an 11-3 run ignited by a Simon three and a pair of Normile baskets down low to go up 15. However, costly turnovers and foul trouble kept Chenango Valley in the game as a three-point play by Ruffo trimmed the deficit to four, 38-34, with 1:28 to go in the third. Ruffo followed his acrobatic move to the rim with a deep three to help the Warriors crawl within four, 41-37, heading into the final eight minutes. CV closed the third quarter on a 16-5 run.

After a high-scoring third quarter, both teams went cold early in the fourth. A Matt Personius three brought CV within four, 46-42, with just over four to play in the contest. However, that would be as close as the Warriors would get as SV answered with a furious 11-0 run to close the game. Back-to-back threes by Manchester and Simon sparked the run and put the game away for the Sabers. The Warriors managed just five fourth-quarter points.

Susquehanna Valley opened the game with an 11-0 run by attacking the interior with its 6-foot-8 forwards. Normile put home a pair of easy baskets from the low post before a Jason Fiorentino three handed the Sabers a 7-0 lead. Manchester swiped a CV pass and cruised to a fast break layup before an Eric Silvanic jumper finally stopped the bleeding for CV. A Simon jumper aided SV's 17-6 first-quarter lead.

Chenango Valley began to work its way back into the game with 7-0 run, sparked by a Ruffo steal and score. A pair of free throws by the Warriors guard brought CV within seven, 23-16, before a Simon runner in the lane pushed the Saber lead back to nine. Personius sliced through the SV defense for a score right before the halftime horn to cut the lead back to seven, 25-18. Normile was just shy of a double-double in the first half with 10 points and nine rebounds.

Scoring	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Chenango Valley -	6	12	19	5	42
Susquehanna Valley -	17	8	16	17	57

Leading Scorers

C. Ruffo (Chenango Valley) – 19 points

B. Normile (Susquehanna Valley) – 26 points, 18 rebounds

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Game Nineteen

Regional Division I - Championship

Maine-Endwell High School (<i>Endwell, N.Y.</i>).....	45
Binghamton High School (<i>Binghamton, N.Y.</i>).....	50

In a tight contest throughout Binghamton was able to hold Maine Endwell, 50-45, to win its second straight Regional Division I championship, Sunday night at the 21st Mirabito STOP-DWI Holiday Classic. Senior KJ Rose was named the tournament MVP for the second consecutive year.

Senior Jaime Curtis led Binghamton with 16 points and seven rebounds, joining Rose on the All-Tournament Team. Rose, who struggled from the floor (3-of-12), scored 13 points, while grabbing seven rebounds and handing out six assists. Andre Yevchinecz was also named to the All-Tournament Team after filling the stat sheet with 11 points, seven rebounds, four steals and two blocks.

Maine-Endwell was led by All-Tournament selection Chris Heimes, who scored 13 of his team-high 15 points in the second half, adding nine rebounds. Classmate Kyle Gallagher, who joined Heimes on the All-Tournament Team, finished the game with seven points and five assists.

In a hectic fourth quarter, Binghamton took the early lead on a Curtis layup, but ME tied the game on a Heimes up and under move on the post. With the game tied at 40, a pair of Yevchinecz buckets gave the Patriots a two-possession lead with 3:14 to play. A steal by Curtis and long pass to Yevchinecz set up the second of two scores. Maine-Endwell, unable to score down the stretch until a Heimes steal and score with 52 seconds, had an opportunity to tie the game after Rose misfired on a three ball, but Yevchinecz tipped in the miss to seal the game for the Patriots.

Down seven in early in the third, Maine Endwell began working the interior with Heimes, who was plagued with a pair of fouls. The 6-foot-7 forward scored six points and grabbed five rebounds during the period. Heimes' dominant play inside sparked an ME 11-0 run to give the Spartans a 36-33 lead. A Sinicki three coupled with a nice hesitation move on the block capped the Spartan run. A feed from Yevchinecz to Curtis helped Binghamton even the game at 36 heading into the final quarter.

In a back-and-forth first half, Binghamton held a slim 13-12 lead after the first quarter. After center Chris Heimes picked up his second foul at the 4:53 mark, which relegated him to the bench for the rest of the half, Rose attacked the rim for an easy score to put Binghamton up 9-6. A three by Gallagher handed Maine-Endwell a 10-9 lead, but it was short-lived as Rose found Yevchinecz to give the Patriots the first quarter advantage.

The second quarter witnessed the Spartans pick up the pace as a steal and dish by Gallagher to Alec Wisniewski allowed ME to take a one-point lead. Two consecutive buckets by Curtis and Rose regained the lead for Binghamton, 17-14 with 6:42 to play in the half. As the two teams battled, Curtis' second three of the game coupled with a Rose runner before the halftime horn gave Binghamton a 24-21 lead at the break.

Scoring	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Maine-Endwell -	12	12	15	9	45
Binghamton -	13	8	12	14	50

Leading Scorers

- C. Heimes (Maine-Endwell) – 15 points
- J. Curtis (Binghamton) – 16 points

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Game Twenty

National Division – Championship

Trinity (Louisville, Ky.).....	68
Bishop Loughlin (Brooklyn, N.Y.).....	75

Bishop Loughlin outscored Trinity, 9-2, in the second overtime to win a thrilling National Division championship game, 75-68 in double overtime, Sunday night at the 21st Mirabito STOP-DWI Holiday Classic.

Junior Javian Delacruz hit a game-tying three in overtime to push the game to a second OT, before netting a three to open the final four minutes play. From there Bishop Loughlin pushed its lead to five following an Anthony Vernon layup and a pair of Carrington free throws. Bishop Loughlin held Trinity to just two points in the second OT.

In the first overtime Trinity took the first lead on a tip-in by Owens before Williams netted a three put Bishop Loughlin up one with under two minutes to play. As both teams stalled, a three by Rice with 20 seconds left seemed to put the game away but Isaak Bodon responded with a three of his own to bring the Lions within one. Rice hit a pair of free throws to give the Shamrocks a 66-63 lead with 14.1 seconds to go. On the final possession of overtime, Bishop Loughlin moved the ball well until they found Delacruz on the wing for a buzzer-beater three to send the game into double overtime.

National Division MVP, Khadeen Carrington led Bishop Loughlin with a game-high 24 points on 10-of-17 shooting. Juniors Michael Williams and Anthony Vernon each reach double figures for the Lions, adding 14 and 11 points, respectively. Williams was named to the All-Tournament Team.

All-Tournament Team selection, senior Darryl Hicks led Trinity with a team-high 22 points. Junior Craig Owens, who joined Hicks on the All-Tournament Team, added 16 points for the Shamrocks.

Trinity quick erased its third-quarter deficit with five straight points from Hicks to tie the game at 48 with just over seven minutes to go. A three by Williams broke the tie before a steal and fast break layup by Carrington gave Bishop Loughlin a 55-50 lead with 3:03 to play. Trinity responded with a 7-0 run to regain the lead with a minute to play. A Strothman three started the run, and then the 6-foot-4 senior hit DeMarcus Page on a back door cut to even the game at 55. An Owens layup out of a Trinity timeout handed the Shamrocks a two-point lead with 31 seconds to play. On the ensuing possession, Williams misfired on a three from the wing, but Anthony Vernon cleaned up the miss and put it back to knot the game at 57 with 30 seconds to play. Each team had a chance to win the game in regulation, but was unable to get the deciding basket.

Bishop Loughlin raced out of the break on a 12-2 run sparked by seven points from Carrington. During the run, the Lions took its first lead of the game, 35-33, following a Carrington three. Williams capped the run with a three from the corner on a dish from Carrington. Trinity answered, as they did all night, with an elbow three from Hicks to pull within five, 46-41 with just over a minute in the third quarter. Bishop Loughlin outscored Trinity 20-10 in the third quarter to take a 48-43 into the fourth.

In a very competitive first half, Trinity burst out of the gates on a 10-2 run behind eight points from Hicks. Bishop Loughlin responded with a pair of Carrington buckets to trim the deficit to six midway through the frame. A steal by Williams and feed to Carrington for a two-handed slam made the score 17-12 with just over a minute to play in the first quarter. Trinity led 19-14 after the first quarter.

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The second quarter witnessed each team trade blows scoring 14 points apiece in the period. A pair of steals by Bishop Loughlin resulted in four quick points for the Lions, tying the game at 21. Following an Anthony Vernon three-point play, a Hicks put back gave the Shamrocks a 28-24 advantage. A steal and score by Williams brought the Lions within two, but a Sam Strothman three handed Trinity a 33-28 lead at the break.

Scoring	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	20T	Final
Trinity -	19	14	10	14	9	2	68
Bishop Loughlin -	14	14	20	9	9	9	75

Leading Scorers

D. Hicks (Trinity) – 22 points

K. Carrington (Bishop Loughlin) – 24 points

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ALL TOURNAMENT TEAMS

NATIONAL DIVISION

Most Valuable Player – Khadeen Carrington – Bishop Loughlin

Louis Santos – St. Raymond

James Whitaker – IC Norcom

Desi Rodriguez – Lincoln

Willie Barnes – Brooklyn Collegiate

Hakeem Baxter – Philadelphia ETC

Mike Smith – Dunbar

Darryl Hicks – Trinity

Craig Owens – Trinity

Michael Williams – Bishop Loughlin

REGIONAL DIVISION I

Most Valuable Player - K.J. Rose – Binghamton

Jaime Curtis – Binghamton

Andre Yevchinecz – Binghamton

CJ Krowiak – Union Endicott

Chris Heimes – Vestal

Kyle Gallagher – Maine Endwell

REGIONAL DIVISION II

Most Valuable Player – Brendon Normile –Susquehanna Valley

Pat Gosney – Seton Catholic

Zach Collins – Chenango Valley

Chris Ruffo – Chenango Valley

Austin Simon – Susquehanna Valley

Colin Manchester – Susquehanna Valley

THOMAS SCHWAN AWARD

Luke Grunder – Chenango Valley

Vince LaMantia – Susquehanna Valley

Storm Cook- Norwich