

# 2000 STOP-DWI Holiday Classic

## Game Recaps

### December 27, 2000

National Division  
(Binghamton, NY)

By: Fred Deinhardt and Corey Gleason

Game 1	Gonzaga High School (DC)	53
	Shaker Heights High School (OH)	49

This year's tip-off game between Gonzaga High School and Shaker Heights High School came down to the wire. Shaker Heights held the lead for the entire game until 5:40 left in the fourth quarter when Gonzaga's Mike Orfini drilled a 3-pointer from the left wing to give Gonzaga a 42-40 lead. Shaker Heights didn't fade away though as Terrell Brown scored 4 of his game high 21 points to tie the score at 49, with 1:21 remaining in the game. Gonzaga then sealed the game as Joey Goodson made a nice up and under post move to score the lay-up with 32 seconds remaining in the game. Shaker did have an attempt to tie the game as Brown missed a jumper from the left baseline with 12 seconds on the clock. The rebound went out on Gonzaga, but Mike Orfini stole the inbound pass with 8 seconds left and called a timeout. Gonzaga then broke the press and was fouled leading to two free throws from Joey Goodson to take a 53-49 lead with 1 second left in the game.

Shaker Heights began the game with a 10-0 run and held the lead for most of the game behind junior Terrell Brown. Gonzaga trailed at the end of the first quarter by 7, but made a consistent comeback in the second quarter behind Steve Cobb and Eric Price who combined to score 18 of Gonzaga's 29 first half points. The third quarter was low scoring as both teams only combined for 19 points and the Shaker Raiders led the Gonzaga Eagles 40-39.

Goodson finished with 10 points, and Cobb finished with 13 for the Eagles. Darrell White had 12 points for the Raiders.

Gonzaga High School will play Madisonville North Hopkins (KY) on December 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. Shaker Heights will play St. Andrews High School on December 28<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

Regional 1 Division  
(Binghamton, NY)

By: Fred Deinhardt and Corey Gleason

Game 2	Union Endicott High School (NY)	76
	Corcoran High School (NY)	55

Union Endicott took control of game 2 right from the start and never looked back. The Tigers were up by 5 at the end of the first quarter, and increased their lead at the half by a score of 36-21. The Tiger's ran an effective fast break offense combined with good

post play to beat the Corcoran High School Cougars 76-55. The best chance the Cougars had to get back into the game came at the beginning of the third quarter as they went on a 6-0 run to cut the lead to nine. However foul trouble kept the Cougars from getting any closer as they committed 24 fouls, including two technical fouls during the second quarter by Jamel Richardson and Ozzie Mathis. The Tigers benefited by converting these fouls into 18 points compared to 6 by the Cougars.

The Tigers were led by Kashif Summers with 20 points, Andy Menhennett with 16, and Chris Cedeno with 12. Jamel Richardson led the Cougars with 18 points.

Union Endicott will advance in the division 1 regional tournament to face Watertown High School (NY) on December 29, at 7:30 p.m. Corcoran High School will face Vestal High School (NY) on December 28 at 9:30 a.m.

National Division  
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By: Fred Deinhardt and Corey Gleason

Game 3	St. Thomas Aquinas (FL)	69
	Stow High School (OH)	62

Georgia Tech bound senior Ed Nelson and teammate Matt Cenatus combined for 54 points to help lead St. Thomas Aquinas (FL) over the Bulldogs of Stow High School (OH). The low post was dominated by Nelson, while Cenatus ran the break for the Raiders. Although the Bulldogs took their first lead of the game in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter behind the outside shooting of Jake Steuer, the Raiders came back quickly to take the lead 45-37 by the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. With 6:40 remaining in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, and an 8 point lead for St. Thomas, they began to hold the ball and let the shot clock wind down. It proved effective for the Raiders as they held a ten point margin for most of the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. However, with 1:36 left in the game, Matt Walker connected on a three point basket to cut the lead to 67-59. Stow then got the ball back and Bill Walko was fouled. He went to the line and connected on both free throws cutting the lead to 6 with :23 seconds left in the game. Ed Nelson then went to the line for the Raiders and made both free throws to put the game away. Steuer added one more free throw to make the final score 69-62.

Throughout the first half of the game the score remained close between the two teams. St. Thomas Aquinas led by 3 points at the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter, and at half time. While Nelson worked hard for the Raiders on the inside, Steuer and Walker hit some big three's for the Bulldog's to keep the game close. Both teams played a tough physical game from the start to the finish.

Ed Nelson finished with a game high 31 points and 12 rebounds. Matt Cenatus added 23 points, and Nate Salley scored 11 for the Raiders. For Stow High School, Jake Steuer scored 24 points, and Matt Walker added 18.

St. Thomas Aquinas High School will advance in the winner's bracket of the National Region to face Binghamton High School (NY) on December 28<sup>th</sup>, at 9:15 p.m. Stow High will face Bishop Hannan High School on December 28<sup>th</sup> at 2:45 p.m.

National Division  
(Binghamton, NY)

By: Fred Deinhardt and Corey Gleason

Game 4	St. Andrews High School (RI)	62
	Madisonville North Hopkins High School (KY)	74

The St. Andrews Saints played a hard game but just weren't able to get over the hump against the well executed offense of the Madisonville Maroons. Led by Michael Haney, candidate for Mr. Basketball in Kentucky, the Maroons finished strong with a 12 point victory over the Saints. St Andrews up and down the floor style just wasn't enough to match the half court set offense of the Madisonville Maroons. Madisonville didn't just run away with the game though. With 4:47 left in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter St. Andrews pulled within 5, but the Maroons executed well on offense and played hard defense to stop the Saints. St. Andrews went to a full court press to pick up the pressure, but it just wasn't enough to stop the Maroons.

The St. Andrews Saints started out strong by taking a 8-4 lead behind Demetrius DeJesus, who finished with 19, but it slipped away slowly as the Maroons led by six at the end of the 1<sup>st</sup>. Going into the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter the Maroons played well on offense and were able to maintain a 8 point lead going into halftime. In the third quarter the consistent play of Haney kept the Maroons ahead and left the Saints trailing 55-47 going into the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter.

Michael Haney and Rob Baumgardner both had 20 points followed closely by Scott Ashley with 16 for Madisonville. Abdi Lidonde had 12 points and David Costantino had 10 for the Saints. Sophomore All American forward Demetris Nichols was held to just 6 points by the Madisonville defense.

Madisonville North Hopkins High School (KY) will play Gonzaga High School (DC) December 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. St. Andrews next opponent in the consolation bracket will be Shaker Heights High on December 28<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

Regional Division 1  
(Binghamton, NY)-

By: Fred Deinhardt and Corey Gleason

Game 5	Vestal High School (NY)	45
	Watertown High School (NY)	60

The Vestal Golden Bears started out cold in this game and just weren't able to recover against the Watertown Cyclones. The Bears only trailed by 3 at the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter, but were down 28-19 by halftime. Contributing to Vestal's halftime deficit was a 28.6 shooting percentage from the field, and solid inside play from Watertown's Matt Gorman. During the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Watertown blew the game open with a 12-0 run spanning 2 minutes. The Golden Bears kept the game within 12 points for most of the 2<sup>nd</sup> half thanks to the three point shooting of senior Tom Gaube who finished 5 for 8 from behind the arc. However, Watertown was too powerful for the Bears, having four

starters score in double digits, and dominating on the low post by out-rebounding the Bears 32-18.

Matt Gorman led the Watertown Cyclones scoring 16 points. Gorman a 6'9" junior has had 58 Division 1 colleges show interest in him. Also for the Cyclones, Ryan Patenaude and Donate' King had 15 points a piece, and Sid Pond had 11. Tom Gaube was the only Vestal Player in double digits with a game high 21 points.

Watertown advances to the Division 1 Regional Championship to face the Union Endicott Tigers on December 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. Vestal will face the Corcoran Cougars in the consolation game on December 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.

National Division  
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By: Fred Deinhardt and Corey Gleason

Game 6	Binghamton High School (NY)	59
	Bishop Hannan High School (PA)	57

The first trip to the STOP-DWI Holiday Classic turns out to be a heartbreaker for Bishop Hannan as the host Binghamton Patriots came back to defeat the Golden Lancers by 2 points. Both teams started out cold shooting about 38% in the first half, however the difference in the score was the play of Gerry McNamara who single handedly scored 20 points in the first half. Bishop Hannan seemed to be well in control of the game during the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter with a lead of 41- 27, but the Patriots began to play solid defense and scrapped their way back into the game by the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter trailing 47- 41.

In the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter the Patriots went on a 10 point run for 6:23 as Wayne Williams tied the score at 47 with a drive. Mike Constantine then hit a jumper to give the Patriots their first lead of the game with 5:42 left in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. Following Micha's jumper to make the score 51-47, Chris Flynn hit a three pointer from the left baseline cutting the lead to one with 3:16 left in the game. The Patriots Luke Stanton then hit two free throws to put the Pat's up by three. However, this was soon followed by a low post move from Brad Feliccia to cut the Binghamton lead back to one with 2:20 remaining. After exchanging possessions Chris Lewis for the Golden Lancers hit a jumper to put them back on top 54-53. The Patriots then responded as Luke Stanton hit a free throw to tie the game, and then after a turnover, Kevin Micha hit a jumper from the left baseline to make the score 56-54 in favor of Binghamton. With :28 seconds left Chris Flynn hit a three pointer that rattled in to give Bishop Hannan a 57-56 lead. After a Binghamton timeout Wayne Williams was fouled and awarded two free throws. He made the first one to tie the score at 57. Williams second free throw rimmed out and Bishop Hannan's Brad Feliccia grabbed the rebound but fell down and was called for a travel. On the ensuing possession, Binghamton's Kevin Micha hit a five foot floater to put the Patriots on top with 5 seconds left in the game. After a timeout, Bishop Hannan broke the press by passing the ball up the floor, but Chris Flynn's last second lay-up rolled off the rim to give the Patriots the 59-57 victory.

The Patriots had four starters in double digits, led by Kevin Micha with 18, Michael Constantine with 14, Luke Stanton with 12, and Wayne Williams with 11.

Gerry McNamara led Bishop Hannan with a game high 22, and his teammate Brad Feliccia had 13.

Binghamton High School will advance in the winner's bracket of the national division to face St. Thomas Aquinas on December 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 p.m. Bishop Hannan will play on December 28<sup>th</sup> at 2:45 p.m. versus Stow High School (OH) in the consolation bracket.

## **Game Recaps December 28, 2000**

Regional Division 1  
(Binghamton, NY)

By: Fred Deinhardt and Corey Gleason

Game 7	Vestal High School (NY)	55
	Corcoran High School (NY)	61

The Corcoran High School Cougars took third place in the Division 1 Regional Tournament by defeating the Vestal Golden Bears. Both teams started off slow in the first half with Corcoran leading the Bears 26-25 at the break. Play picked up in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter though with Vestal starting off on a 12-2 run behind Bryan Joggerst and A.J. Lindsey, giving them a 37-28 lead. The Cougars responded quickly however, as Fred Page contributed 11 points in a 13-2 Cougar run to end the third. With Vestal trailing 43-41 going into the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, the Cougars fast break offense and rebounding proved too much for the Bears. With 1:07 left in the game the Bears pulled within two on a basket by Taylor McConnell, but on the next possession the Cougars Raquan Pride hit a baseline jumper that would end up sealing the game for Corcoran. Fred Page added two free throws with :17 left to make the final 61-55.

Corcoran's Fred Page had a game high 20 points, followed by teammates Jamel Richardson with 17, and Raquan Pride with 11. A.J. Lindsey led the Bears with 16 points. Tom Gaube had 14 points, and Bryan Joggerst had 10 for Vestal High School.

Overall, Corcoran finished the tournament with a 1-1 record losing to Union Endicott High School (NY) in their first game of the tournament. Vestal High School finished 0-2 in this year's tournament losing to Watertown High School (NY) in their first game.

Regional Division 2  
(Binghamton, NY)-

By: Fred Deinhardt and Corey Gleason

Game 8	Johnson City (NY)	35
	Whitney Point (NY)	49

Whitney Point and Johnson City kicked off the Division 2 Regional Bracket this morning as the Whitney Point Eagles came away with a 14 point victory. The Wildcats

were trailing the Eagles 41-30 with 2:50 left in the game when Nate Kocak made a turn around shot in the lane. The Wildcats then stole the inbound pass and Jim Marusich connected on a three pointer to cut the Eagle lead to 6 points with 2:21 remaining in the 4<sup>th</sup>. That was all that J.C. would be able to manage however, as the Eagle's foul shooting and defense took over. Whitney Point went 4-6 from the line in the last 2 minutes of the game and capped off the win with a Ryan Frost one-handed dunk. The final was 49-35 in favor of the Eagles.

Whitney Point center Ryan Frost led all players with 17 points. Teammate Shawn Swartwood had 11, and Drew Hust finished with 10. Duke McCants finished with 11 for the Wildcats.

National Division  
(Binghamton, NY)

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Game 9	Shaker Heights High School (OH)	60
	St. Andrews High School (RH)	61

In a high paced up and down the floor game, St. Andrews squeaked out a one point victory over Shaker Heights. Both teams pushed the ball up the floor nearly every possession creating an exciting game.

Shaker jumped out to a first quarter lead of 14-12, led by senior Jameson Evans's 10 points, including 2 three pointers. St. Andrews hung in though, thanks to the play of Demetrius DeJesus and Demetris Nichols, who combined for 8 points. The 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter featured Darrell White exploding for 11 points for Shaker Heights, but his efforts couldn't top St Andrews offensive assault pouring in 19 points to take a 31-27 lead at the half. The 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter started out with a bang for St. Andrews as Nichols and Jeff Foss combined to make three consecutive three pointers. They took a 10 point lead with 4:50 remaining in the quarter, but Shaker Heights battled to cut the lead to 8 by the end of the quarter. In the 4<sup>th</sup> Shaker fought back to tie the score with :50 left and took the lead thanks to a Terrell Brown free throw with :43 left in the game. DeJesus of the Saints then hit a shot in the paint to pull ahead 61-60 with :08 seconds remaining. Shaker guard Terrell Brown then missed a last attempt drive with :04 seconds left, but the ball went off of DeJesus and was awarded to Shaker. Shaker then had the ball with :02 seconds left but was unsuccessful in getting another shot off.

Forward Darrell White scored a game high 22 points for the Shaker Heights Raiders. Jameson Evans, who is attending Purdue next season on a football scholarship, scored 17 for the Raiders. For the Saints, Demetrius DeJesus finished with 19, and Foss and Nichols finished with 11 a piece.

St. Andrews will play for 5<sup>th</sup> place in the National Division on December 29<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 a.m. against Stow High School (OH). Shaker Heights will play Bishop Hannan (PA) on December 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. for 7<sup>th</sup> place in the National Division.

National Division  
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Game 10	Stow High School (OH)	81
	Bishop Hannan High School (PA)	78

For the second day in a row Bishop Hannan was involved in a thriller that slipped away from them in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. Ahead for most of the game, Bishop Hannan fell to Stow High in the final seconds of the game courtesy of a Jake Steuer three pointer with :02 seconds left in the game. The game was full of exciting plays and excellent shooting that changed the record books for three point field goals made.

In the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter Chris Flynn hit four three pointers to lead the Bishop Hannan Golden Lancers to an 18-14 lead by the end of the quarter. Stow battled back in the 2<sup>nd</sup> thanks to the shooting of Jake Steuer and Shane Conwell cutting the lead to 32-31 by half-time. For the first half, Gerry McNamara finished with 10 points on high percentage shooting. In the third quarter McNamara picked up where he left off scoring 17 points in the quarter which included three, three pointers. On the other side, Steuer and teammate Will McGinley combined to score 19 for the Bulldogs. At the end of the quarter there were no lead changes and Bishop Hannan held on to the lead 56-54.

In the 4<sup>th</sup>, Stow High's Shane Cornwell tied the game up at 68 for the Bulldogs. Cornwell hit two free throws with 4:43 remaining, and after Brad Feliccia picked up his 4<sup>th</sup> personal foul, Cornwell hit two more to put Stow on top for the first time since the second quarter. Martin Healey then hit a jumper in the lane to put the Lancers back on top with 3:34 left to play. After a Stow foul shot, Gerry McNamara hit one of his six threes for the day to put Bishop Hannan ahead 75-71 with just over 3 minutes to go. The Lancers remained on top until Will McGinley tied the game at 77 with 1:03 showing on the clock. Each team exchanged foul shots, and with 2 seconds left, Jake Steuer hit the game winning three, from the left side of the floor. Bishop Hannan's last second attempt to tie soared over the basket as the final buzzer rang.

In the losing effort, Bishop Hannan's Gerry McNamara hit six three's on way to his game high 32 points. Teammate Chris Flynn also added six three's, including four in the first quarter, which ties the tournament record for most three pointers in one quarter. He finished with 20 points. The six three's by each player also ties the tournament record for most three's in a game by a single player, and gives the Golden Lancers the team record with 13 (Healey hit one). The Bulldogs Jake Steuer scored 31, including the game winner. Three other Bulldogs scored in the double digits.

Stow advances to play St. Andrews for 5<sup>th</sup> place on December 29<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 a.m.  
Bishop Hannan will play Shaker Heights for 7<sup>th</sup> place December 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.

Regional Division 2  
(Binghamton, NY)

By: Fred Deinhardt and Corey Gleason

Game 11	Seton High School (NY)	49
	Oxford High School (NY)	32

Seton Catholic High School and Oxford High School battled it out in a close game before Seton pulled away in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter to gain the 49-32 win. Both poor shooting and good interior defense helped to keep the score close between the two teams. At the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Seton led 27-23 and began to pull away as they executed two consecutive back door cuts to gain a 31-23 lead. The rest of the game played out with Seton maintaining it's lead and eventually winning by 17 points. Teammates Jeff Monaco and John Precopio made key baskets and drew fouls to help Seton gain its lead in the 4<sup>th</sup>.

Oxford's Mike Christie was almost perfect from the floor finishing 6-7 and adding 2 free throws to score a game high 14 points. Seton's Josh Rounds and Dan Chesnick both finished with 10 points.

The Saints will advance to the Division 2 Regional final on December 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:45 p.m. to face Whitney Point (NY). Oxford will face Johnson City (NY) for 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Division 2 Regional.

National Division  
(Binghamton, NY)-

By: Fred Deinhardt and Corey Gleason

Game 12	Gonzaga High School (DC)	55
	Madisonville North Hopkins High School (KY)	48

Gonzaga High's all around aggressive play helped the Eagles edge out Madisonville North Hopkins 55-48. The game was close throughout with the Eagles maintaining a small lead over the Maroons from the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter on. In the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter Madisonville cut the lead to 50-48 with :25 left on a basket by Spencer Johnson, however Gonzaga was solid from the free throw line as they went 5-6 from that point on to seal the win. Madisonville did have a chance to tie the game at 51-48, but Johnson was fouled and missed the front end of a one and one and Gonzaga grabbed the rebound.

In the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter both teams played evenly to a Maroon's 17-15 lead by the end. During that quarter Chris Sumner's 3 steals led to seven points for Gonzaga, and Rob Baumgardner led the Maroons with 8. The second quarter was filled with hard defensive plays as Gonzaga outscored the Maroons 12-8. In the 3<sup>rd</sup>, Michael Haney took over for Madisonville scoring 8 of their 10 points, but it wasn't good enough to overcome the hustle and effort put out by the Eagles as they led 40-35 at the end of the third.

Michael Haney led the field with 19 points, and teammate Rob Baumgardner added 10 for the Maroons. Mike Orfini led the Eagles with 17, along with Joey Goodson's 13, and Chris Sumner's 10 points and 7 steals.

Gonzaga will play in the Championship game on December 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 p.m. versus St. Thomas Aquinas (FL). Madisonville will play on December 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. versus Binghamton High School for 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the National Division.

National Division  
(Binghamton, NY)

By: Fred Deinhardt and Corey Gleason

Game 13	Binghamton High School (NY)	54
	St. Thomas Aquinas (FL)	56

For the second straight night the Binghamton Patriots were involved in thriller, however this time they found themselves unable to pull out the victory as St. Thomas defeated them 56-54 and will advance to the National Division Championship. The 4<sup>th</sup> quarter was filled with exciting action as the Patriots came from seven down to take the lead on a Kevin Micha basket with 1:50 left in the game. The Raiders then responded at 1:40 on a slashing drive by Nate Salley to make the score 53-52. The Patriots weren't done though as Micha connected again to put the Pats up one. On the ensuing possession Leo Delcalvo was fouled and hit two free throws to put the Raiders back on top 55-54. Then, the Patriots were unable to capitalize on two straight possessions and fouled Delcalvo who made one free throw.

In the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter St. Thomas's full court trapping press couldn't stop the Patriots as Mike Constantine led the way for a 17-14 1<sup>st</sup> quarter lead. Constantine, who is attending St. Rose next fall, scored 7 of Binghamton's 17 1<sup>st</sup> quarter points. Binghamton's success was short lived though as the Raiders fought back strong and outscored the Patriots 16-4 to take a 30-21 lead into half-time. During the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter the Patriots cut the lead to 3 on two free throws from Wayne Williams, but St Thomas responded with six straight points, including 4 by Ed Nelson, to make the score 37-28. By the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Raiders maintained a 7 point advantage at 42-35.

The Raiders Ed Nelson had a game high 20 points and 11 rebounds. Matt Cenatus also added 10 points for St. Thomas. Constantine, Micha, and Williams accounted for all but 5 of the Patriots points. Constantine had 19, Micha had 16, and Williams finished with 14.

St. Thomas Aquinas will advance to play in the Championship game on December 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 p.m. versus Gonzaga. The Patriots will play in the third place game against Madisonville North Hopkins (KY) at 1:00 p.m. on December 29<sup>th</sup>.

## Game Recaps

### December 29, 2000

National Division  
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By: Fred Deinhardt and Corey Gleason

Game 14	Bishop Hannan High School (PA)	60
	Shaker Heights High School (OH)	76

Shaker Heights High School was able to bounce back after two losses to claim 7<sup>th</sup> place in this years STOP-DWI Holiday Classic. They defeated the Bishop Hannan Golden Lancers 76-60. For Bishop Hannan it was an 8<sup>th</sup> place finish and three straight losses, which matches their total for all of last season.

In the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter the Lancers Gerry McNamara picked up were he left off yesterday starting with a quick 3 pointer. It was Shaker Heights however, that would soon take over on an 8-0 run. The Raiders Darrell White helped contribute to a Shaker Heights 22-13 1<sup>st</sup> quarter lead by dropping 11.

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter the Raiders were able to maintain a 7 point lead throughout as Bishop Hannan went cold from the field ending up with a 28.6% shooting percentage by the half. The Golden Lancers also shot a dismal 2-17 from beyond the arc in the half. Shaker Heights on the other hand kept their lead going by scoring fast break points and playing good interior defense. Shaker led 31-24 at the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter was the closest the Lancers would get by tying the game on a McNamara three. At 34-34 the Raiders took over again by going on a 10 point run and never looked back. The nail in the coffin came for Bishop Hannan as their star player Gerry McNamara fouled out with :44 seconds left in the quarter.

The 4<sup>th</sup> quarter was the same as the previous three as Shaker Heights ran away with the game. The Raiders had three players in double digits including Darrell White with a game high 24, Jameson Evans with 12, and Lionel Langford with 10. Brad Feliccia led the Golden Lancers with 22 followed by Gerry McNamara's 13.

National Division  
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By: Fred Deinhardt and Corey Gleason

Game 15	Stow High School (OH)	65
	Saint Andrews High School (RI)	57

Stow High was able to fend off the Saints by a score of 65-57 to take 5<sup>th</sup> place in this year's National Division. The Bulldogs finished up strong in the tournament with 2 consecutive victories after a first round loss. Saint Andrews placed 6<sup>th</sup> after finishing with a 1-2 record.

Saint Andrews trailed by eight points early in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, but they made a steady comeback to pull within one with 2:27 left in the game. After a Saints foul, Shane Conwell went to the charity stripe and connected on both free throws. Then after a Saints miss, they fouled Jake Steuer who put the Bulldogs up 60-55 with :45 seconds left. A big play was then reversed as the Saints Jeff Foss scored on a drive but was called for an offensive foul. The Bulldogs Shane Conwell was fouled after the call, and made one free throw to make it 61-55. David Constantino then drove the lane and laid it in to cut the lead to 61-57 with :18 left. The Saints ran out of time though as Stow connected on 4 more free throws and won 65-57.

The game was close throughout the first half with Saint Andrews leading 29-28 led by Abdi Lidonde with 9 points, all from behind the arc. The Bulldogs Jake Steuer and Shane Conwell combined for 21 first half points. The 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter was even throughout when the Bulldogs Matt Walker hit consecutive three pointers to give them a 7 point edge going into the 4<sup>th</sup>.

Each team finished with three players in double digits. Stow High's Jake Steuer had a game high 22 followed closely by teammate Shane Conwell with 21. Will McGinley also added 11 for the Bulldogs. Abdi Lidonde led the Saints team with 15. Demetrius DeJesus had 11, and Emery Outland had 10.

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Game 16	Binghamton High School (NY)	42
	Madisonville North Hopkins High School (KY)	58

The Madisonville Maroons won in impressive fashion defeating the Binghamton Patriots by a score of 58-42. By winning, Madisonville takes 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the National Division with an overall record of 2-1 in the tournament. The Patriots finish 4<sup>th</sup> overall with a 1-2 tournament record. For the Patriots it was the first time they ever won their first round game in the Holiday Classic, and 4<sup>th</sup> is their highest finish.

Madisonville dominated from the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter on outplaying the Patriots and never relinquishing their lead. Mr. Basketball candidate in Kentucky, Michael Haney, had an outstanding game by going 8-13 from the field and perfect from the line(4-4). He finished with 20 points and 18 rebounds, 13 of which were defensive. Binghamton tried to contain Haney with a 2/3 zone, but the Madisonville shooters picked the zone apart. Maroon forward Spencer Johnson also had a spectacular game with 14 points and 11 rebounds. Overall the Maroons just out manned the Patriots as they went on to the victory.

Michael Constantine and Luke Stanton led the Patriots with 7 points a piece in the game.

## Regional Division 2

(Binghamton, NY)

By: Fred Deinhardt and Corey Gleason

Game 17	Johnson City High School (NY)	44
	Oxford High School (NY)	41

The Division 2 consolation game came down to the wire as Johnson City edged out Oxford 44-41 to come in 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the division. The Wildcats finished the tournament with a record of 1-1. Oxford ended up in 4<sup>th</sup> place with an 0-2 record.

In the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter the Johnson City Wildcats jumped out quickly to a 12-2 lead, but Oxford was able to cut it down to 18-12 by the end of the quarter. A high pressure man to man defense helped the Wildcats gain their 6 point advantage. Jon Ruminski also helped J.C. by scoring 11 of their 18 1<sup>st</sup> quarter points.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter ended up the same as the first with Johnson City leading by 6 (24-18) at the half. Both teams picked up the intensity on defense and the shooting percentages dropped, as only 6 points were scored by each team.

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> it was the same thing all over again as both teams ended up scoring 11, and Oxford once again trailed by 6 (35-29). Jim Marusich accounted for 8 of the Wildcats points in the quarter, and James Dean scored 7 points for the Blackhawks.

The Wildcats lost the lead for the first time in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter with Mike Chrystie's jumper with 2:10 remaining in the game. Down 41-40, Johnson City's Jon Ruminski then hit a jump shot to put the Wildcats back on top for good. Ruminski added two free throws with :18 left to end the scoring at 44-41.

Jon Ruminski led all players with 22 while James Dean finished with 14 to lead Oxford.

## Regional Division 2 Championship

(Binghamton, NY)-

By: Fred Deinhardt and Corey Gleason

Game 18	Seton High School (NY)	66
	Whitney Point High School (NY)	53

In the Regional Division 2 Championship the Saints from Seton Catholic Central pulled away in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter to beat the Whitney Point Golden Eagles 66-53. The game was filled with nine lead changes before the Saints were able to take control.

The Saints took a quick lead in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter and held on to it until Whitney Point's Drew Hust hit a jumper with 2:30 left to give the Eagles an 8-7 advantage. Hust had the hot hand early scoring 4 of the Eagles 10 points in the quarter. Both teams played with high intensity as there were three lead changes before Seton's Josh Rounds nailed a three pointer to give the Saints a 12-10 lead at the end of the quarter.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter picked up with the same type of action as the 1<sup>st</sup>. Whitney Point trailed again for most of the quarter, but took the lead at 2:18 on a basket from Hust which made the score 20-19. There were four lead changes in the quarter as the Eagles took a 22-21 lead into the half.

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter the Saints Dan Chesnick connected on a three point play to put them up 26-24. Seton held on to the lead for the entire quarter, as seven different players combined to score 18 points. Whitney Point was able to stay close as Matthew Decker and Ryan Frost combined for 10 of the Eagles 14 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter points. Seton led 39-36 going in to the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter.

In the first four minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup>, Seton outscored Whitney Point 12-6. However, the Eagles were unable to mount any type of comeback because 7 personal fouls were committed leading to 12 Seton points from the line. Seton ended up outscoring the Eagles 27-17 in the final quarter.

Seton's John Precopio had a game high 18 points. Teammates Josh Rounds and Mike McGinnis also scored 11 points a piece. Matthew Decker led Whitney Point with 17 points, and Ryan Frost had 15.

#### Regional Division 1 Championship

(Binghamton, NY)-

By: Fred Deinhardt and Corey Gleason

Game 19	Union Endicott High School (NY)	41
	Watertown High School (NY)	53

The Watertown Cyclones are the 2000 Division 1 Regional Champions thanks to their all-around solid play against the Union Endicott Tigers. Watertown was able to withstand the hustling Tigers and pull away with a 12 point victory in the Championship game.

The 1<sup>st</sup> quarter between Watertown and Union Endicott ended up in a 13-11 Watertown lead thanks to the low post play of Matt Gorman who scored 8 points. Gorman also made the Tigers aware of his presence on defense with 4 blocks in the opening quarter. Chris Cedeno led the Tigers in the 1<sup>st</sup> with 5 points.

Both teams battled aggressively in the 2<sup>nd</sup> as Watertown was able to maintain the lead for the entire quarter. The Tigers stayed within 4 points of the Cyclones for the entire period and pulled within one point on a Chris Cedeno three pointer with 3:00 remaining before the half. Donate King quickly responded though with a three, and Watertown led at half-time 24-20.

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Watertown went on 8 point run thanks to two baskets a piece by Donate King and Matt Gorman. Watertown had a 12 point lead with 1:15 left in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and it looked like they were going to run away with the game, but the Tigers hung tough and added three free throws at the end of the quarter to make the score 39-30 before the 4<sup>th</sup>.

The Tigers hustle and scrappy play kept them in the game well into the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. U.E. pulled within three on a Kashif Sumners basket with 3:30 remaining in the game, but Watertown responded with an 8-2 run to bring the score to 49-40 with 1:21 left in the game. The Cyclones run chewed up the clock as they held the ball until :10

remained on the shot clock for every possession. Kevin Mihelc added a free throw for the Tigers after a Ryan Patenaude foul with :59 left to bring the score to 49-41, but that's all the Tigers could manage as they fell to the Cyclones 53-41.

Regional Division 1 Tournament MVP Matt Gorman finished with a game high 21 for Watertown despite fouling out with 4:15 left in the 4<sup>th</sup>. Teammates Donate King and Sid Pond finished with 13 points a piece. Andy Menhennett led Union Endicott with 11 points.

National Region Championship  
(Binghamton, NY)-

By: Fred Deinhardt and Corey Gleason

Game 20	St. Thomas Aquinas High School (FL)	68
	Gonzaga High School (DC)	52

The 2000 Broome County Stop-DWI Holiday Classic was won by St. Thomas Aquinas High School (FL) in dominating fashion. The Raiders of St. Thomas took over shortly into the first period and proved too much for Gonzaga High School (DC).

The 1<sup>st</sup> quarter started out with a bang as Gonzaga's Mike Orfini drilled a jumpshot beating the :35 shot-clock. Gonzaga then led in the quarter until the 4:35 mark when Nate Salley made a basket to give the Raiders a 7-6 advantage. Gonzaga would respond though as Mike Orfini connected on a three pointer to give the Eagles a 13-12 1<sup>st</sup> quarter lead.

St. Thomas then picked up the pace in the 2<sup>nd</sup> by going on a 6 point run, giving them a 18-13 lead with 4:16 left in the quarter. The Raiders maintained their lead thru the rest of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and led 28-19 at the half. Six Raiders combined in the quarter to outscore Gonzaga 16-6. Mike Orfini and Eric Price accounted for the Eagles 6 points.

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter St. Thomas really poured it on by outscoring the Eagles 21-11. The Raiders were led by the huge play of Matt Cenatus which included a two-handed dunk that brought the crowd to it's feet. Cenatus finished the quarter scoring 11 of St Thomas's 21 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter points.

In the 4<sup>th</sup>, Gonzaga just couldn't stop the Raiders as they marched on to a 68-52 victory. Matt Cenatus finished with a game high 21 points and Ed Nelson had 20. Nate Salley added 15 for the Raiders. Mike Orfini led the Eagles with 16 and Chris Sumner had 11.

### **National Division Awards:**

### **All Tournament Team:**

Jake Steuer – Stow High School (OH)  
Darrell White – Shaker Heights High School (OH)  
Michael Haney – Madisonville North Hopkins (KY)  
Demetrius DeJesus – St Andrews High School (RI)  
Gerry McNamara – Bishop Hannan High School (PA)

Kevin Micha – Binghamton High School (NY)  
Mike Orfini – Gonzaga High School (DC)  
Nate Salley – St. Thomas Aquinas High School (FL)  
Matt Cenatus – St. Thomas Aquinas High School (FL)

**MVP:**

Ed Nelson – St. Thomas Aquinas High School (FL)

**Regional Division 1 Awards**

**All Star Team:**

Tom Gaube – Vestal High School (NY)  
Fred Page – Corcoran High School (NY)  
Andy Menhennett – Union Endicott High School (NY)  
Donate King – Watertown High School (NY)  
Sid Pond – Watertown High School (NY)

**MVP:**

Matt Gorman – Watertown High School (NY)

**Regional Division 2 Awards:**

**Thomas Schwann Award:**

Shawn Swartwood – Whitney Point High School (NY)

**All Tournament Team:**

Mike Chrystie – Oxford High School (NY)  
Jon Ruminski – Johnson City High School (NY)  
Matthew Decker – Whitney Point High School (NY)  
Ryan Frost – Whitney Point High School (NY)  
Dan Chesnick – Seton High School (NY)

**MVP:**

John Precopio – Seton High School