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IN THE 45th YEAR OF SERVING ROCHESTER YOUTH

FORTY-SECOND NEW YORK STATE SILVER GLOVES: 12/7 & 8: St. Martin has again been awarded membership for the New York State and Region 1 Championships. State Championships will be contested at THE NASTY KNUCKLES CLUB at 1555 Lyell Avenue, Suite 137, December 7 and 8. It's a large venue using two rings. We expect record entries and with two rings, the first day the activity should not be too lengthy.

All possible finals will be contested the first date and the second day only finals. If further eliminations are necessary, an additional date and site will be set. The Regionals, being run by St. Martin, probably will be held in Massachusetts and are comprised of state winners from our New York State and state winners from New Jersey, Connecticut, and Rhode Island (actually the rest of New England). Expenses for the two day sanction and Silver Glove medals to winners and runnersup make for quite a high overhead and sponsors are being sought.

St. Martin obtained Silver Gloves a few years after its inception. Silver Gloves started in the midwest and gradually moved to each coast. The founders were Frank Hess and Frank Grinados. Grinados ran a big printing business. The National is heavily supported by boxing equipment manufacturer Ringside. There are eight regions competing at the National Championships held in early February at Independence Missouri. We are Region 1. We finished second last year. There are many competitors for the events and we are again preparing for first class events. We need contributions and welcome any financial help. Mike Rodgers, from Tennessee, is the National president. National Silver Gloves Scholarships are awarded some Silver Gloves graduates heading to college or training schools.

9/14: WATERTOWN FAIRGROUNDS: A trip completely in vain. Two St. Martin boxers were scheduled and the trip resulted in no bouts. 147Paris Davis was scheduled for the main event, but was kept by his employer for a second shift. Poor communication resulted us getting a late start and us not making the weigh in time. Promoter John Pepe wanted 65Brendon Davis' bout late as his opponent was present. However, the OIC didn't allow the bout for whatever reason. Former Olympic Gold Medalist and heavyweight contender Ray Mercer was on hand for autographs. Nice driving with some leaf coloring toward the North.

9/21: LOCKPORT: No bouts were offered. Only our borrowed bell was used.

10/12: OSWEGO: St. Martin failed to get a win in two featured bouts on a big twenty bout card before a huge capacity crowd. 65Brendan Davis took on his old Oswego nemesis King Cook. He boxed well at times, but was induced to slug it out with his friend and opponent and the referee stopped the bout in the third. The two have developed a real friendship over the last few months of competition. 150Chris Williams lost a torrid affair with Oswego's Andre Mendez via

decision. Oswego appears to be about the most outstanding team in the Niagara LBC. In the travel there was quite a bit of leaf color, but not nearly full. Good driving.

Lots of upcoming bouts: 10/26 at Baden Street in Rochester; 11/1/9 Syracuse; 12/14 Buffalo Flare; Watertown 3/15/25



Frank Grinados
Silver Gloves founder



Lawrence King
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