



WED 12/6, 9:00 pm  
Strongsville @  
Lake Catholic

DEC 7-9  
Walsh Jesuit & Gilmour Academy @  
Culver Tournament; Culver, IN

FRI 12/8, 7:00 pm  
Lake Catholic @  
Padua Franciscan

DEC 7-9  
Holy Name & St. Edward @  
Fr. McNamara Tournament; St Catharines, ON

■ = league game

## COUGARS, BRUINS MEET IN LEAGUE PLAY

Most of the Great Lakes Hockey League is out of state playing in tournaments this week, but the Lake Catholic Cougars and Padua Franciscan Bruins are right here in Northeast Ohio, and will meet in a GLHL game Friday evening at OBM Arena in Strongsville. It is the league opener for the Bruins.

For both teams, this is an opportunity to get things turned around early in the season. The Cougars (3-6-0, 0-2-0) and Bruins (1-7-0, 0-0-0) are both off to slower starts than they would like.

First-year Padua head coach **Perry Cohagan** has learned a lot about his team in the early part of the season and hopes to start putting it to use in the league schedule.

"We are a young team so we have spent a lot of time so far this season finding line and defensive combinations that can gel together," he said. "We are settling into some consistency with those and our freshman are growing in confidence, so we are optimistic about the start of our GLHL season."

Lake Catholic head coach **Justin Vance** is in his third season behind the Cougars bench, but there have been adjustments with only 10 skaters at his disposal.

"We know both us and Padua have young, hungry teams looking for an important league win tomorrow night," said Vance. "I expect to get their best game. We're going to continue focusing on the gritty side of the game in practice today making sure we win battles and play a physical, heavy game."

While the Cougars and Bruins are going head-to-head with points in the league standings on the table, four other GLHL teams are travelling in pairs to prestigious tournaments.

The Walsh Jesuit Warriors and Gilmour Academy Lancers are both playing in the Cornfield Cup at Culver Military Academy in Indiana.

The St. Edward Eagles and Holy Name Green Wave are heading north of the border to play in the Father McNamara Tournament in St. Catharines, Ontario. They are two of the 24 teams at that event this year.

The University School Preppers are idle this week.



PHOTO: Lake Catholic and Padua do battle last season. The Cougars were 2-0-0 against the Bruins.

## 2017-18 GLHL STANDINGS

standings as of December 8

POS	Team (overall record)	W	L	OTL	T	PTS	GF	GA	DIFF
1	St. Edward (2-5-0)	2	0	0	0	4	9	1	8
	Gilmour Academy (6-1-0)	2	0	0	0	4	8	4	4
3	Walsh Jesuit (3-2-2)	1	1	1	0	3	8	9	-1
	Holy Name (4-2-1)	1	1	1	0	3	7	10	-3
5	University School (4-2-1)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Padua Franciscan (1-7-0)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Lake Catholic (3-6-0)	0	2	0	0	0	2	10	-8



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# GREAT LAKES HOCKEY LEAGUE—TEAM NOTES

**GILMOUR ACADEMY** > The Lancers extended their winning streak to six games last weekend with a 3-2 league win over Walsh Jesuit on Friday followed by a trip to Meadville, PA where they defeated the Bulldogs, 3-1...GA has allowed just 11 goals through their first seven games of the season with returning senior **Peyton Wetzel** (1.50 goals-against average/.956 save percentage) and junior **Duncan Nichols-Delay** (1.67/.943) doing an outstanding job of backstopping the team...The offense has come from a variety of sources—10 Lancers have lit the lamp already this season—but seniors **John Treppo** (6) and **Matt Mangel** (4) are leading the way. Both are skating in their fourth year with the Gilmour program.

**HOLY NAME** > After four straight wins to open the season, Holy Name is 0-2-1 in their last three. They make their annual trip to the Father McNamara Tournament in St. Catharines, Ontario this week where they will try to get back to their winning ways while facing some stiff competition. The event boasts a 24-team field this year. "We have been going to the tournament since 2012 and it's a great trip for us as a team," said Namers head coach **Tim Sullivan**. "We see some pretty good competition and just getting away and playing teams you are not familiar with is nice every once in a while."...Seniors **Tyler Guarniere** (6-5-11) and **Spencer Melcher** (5-4-9) are Sullivan's top scorers.

**LAKE CATHOLIC** > The Cougars got things back on track with a 6-1 win over Strongsville on Wednesday night at Mentor Civic Arena. "The motto for last night's game was to 'do the work' and make sure every guy, top to bottom, in our lineup was doing the little things necessary for success," said head coach **Justin Vance**. "I felt we did a pretty good job of that last night, but most importantly we had a grittiness to our game. We started winning races to the puck, initiating first contact, finishing hits, and blocking shots."...**Jacob Schmitt** figured in five of the six goals against the Mustangs, scoring a hat trick and adding a pair of assists. It gave him 13 points on the season (8-5-13) and vaulted him into the top spot in the GLHL scoring race...The junior goaltending tandem of **Patrick Kristo** and **Rob Kish** has been busy playing behind an undermanned team, facing 326 shots on goal through the first nine games of the season—an average of 36.2 per game.

**PADUA FRANCISCAN** > The Bruins were at the Adam Allgeyer Memorial Tournament in Dublin last weekend, the highlight of which was a 5-4 shootout win over Dublin Coffman. It was a welcome offensive breakout for a team that only scored seven goals in their first six games. Padua came back from 3-1 and 4-2 deficits and freshman skater, **Brandon Brown** scored with 14 seconds remaining in regulation to tie it. Brown has made a splash at the varsity level with seven points (4-3-7) in his first eight games. Another freshman, **Cole Dubitsky**, scored the decisive goal in the shootout...Padua skaters **Trent Cramer** (55), **Evan Acino** (48) and **Steve Kerr** (24) rank 1, 2, 3 in the league in penalty minutes.

**ST. EDWARD** > St. Edward played rival Saint Ignatius Saturday at Brooklyn. The Eagles came up short by a 2-0 count in what was, as expected, a very spirited match. The Eagles will join Holy Name at the Father McNamara Tournament this weekend, playing St. Mary's (Sault Ste. Marie), St. Thomas, Lakeshore and St. Michael's.

**UNIVERSITY SCHOOL** > US won two of three games last weekend at the National Scholastic Invitational Tournament in Jamestown, NY. They used up all of their goals in wins over Upper St. Clair (8-2) and Bishop Fenwick (4-3), and dropped a 3-0 game to Bethel Park (PA) in their tournament finale...University School is idle this week, giving them a chance to rest up and return to action at the Padua Christmas Tournament with fresh legs. As always, the Preppers will face some stiff competition at the prestigious event, taking on Northwest Hockey Conference members Toledo St. Francis, Toledo St. John's and Findlay.

**WALSH JESUIT** > In their first seven games of the season, Walsh Jesuit has two one-goal wins, two one-goal losses and a tie. They defeated Holy Name at Ries Rink last Saturday night, 3-2, on an overtime game-winner by **Drew Rossiter**. That allowed the Warriors to avenge a season-opening 4-3 OT loss to the Namers that took place on their home ice at KSU Ice Arena...seniors **Steven LeVasseur** (4-5-9) and **Max Miotke** (6-2-8) have combined for 10 of the 16 goals scored by Walsh so far this season...senior **Jakhari Desphy** continues to play every minute in net for head coach **Pat McKendry**. As a matter of fact, the last time Desphy was not the Warriors' starting netminder was December 12, 2015. That's a string of 68 consecutive starts. "Jakhari is mature beyond his age and has been that way from day one," McKendry said of his durable netminder. "His consecutive games streak is likely not going to be broken by anyone, and I am very proud of that fact for him. He is our work horse that goes every night. He has been our back bone for the past four seasons and has taken the program as far as we have ever gone. He has a very bright future ahead of him because he is so bright and mature."



*Lake Catholic faces off against Shaker Heights at Thornton Park last Friday*





## GLHL PLAYER OF THE WEEK—ANDREW TOMER, ST. EDWARD

St. Edward senior forward **Andrew Tomer** was named the Great Lakes Hockey League Player of the Week for the week ending December 3.

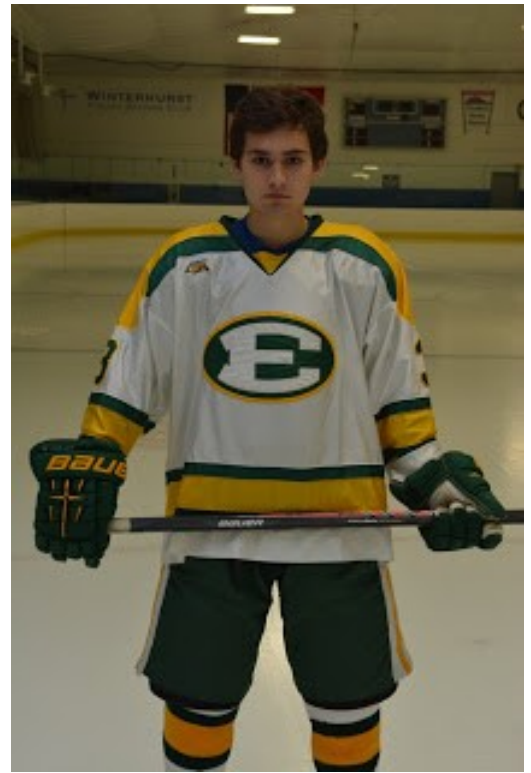
Tomer scored two goals in the Eagles' 4-1 league win over Holy Name Friday, December 1 at Winterhurst.

He now has four goals on the year, tying him for the team lead with freshman **Tanyon Bajzer**. Bajzer is the team's leading scorer with nine points (4-5-9).

Tomer has already bested his goal total from his junior year (3) and has also added an assist for five points (4-1-5) in seven games played on the season.

St. Edward head coach **Troy Gray** has an appreciation for everything that Tomer has accomplished in his high school career and the way he went about it.

"Andrew has been a player who flew under everyone's radar since he was a freshman player," Gray said. "He has constantly worked hard on and off the ice and now that an opportunity has opened up for him he has positioned himself to take advantage of it."



## GLHL ALUMNI BIO—DOUG HAUSER, PADUA FRANCISCAN '77

**Doug Hauser** is a 1977 graduate of Padua Franciscan who went on to be the head coach of the Bruins for 28 seasons, becoming one of the most prolific coaches in the history of Ohio high school hockey.

In high school, Hauser skated three seasons with the Bruins, and a year with the Jr. Barons, before playing collegiately at Ohio State University and Kent State.

As a coach back at his alma mater, his teams compiled a total of 561 wins (561-282-39) and won three state championships (1988, 1989 and 2006). Under Hauser's guidance, Padua made it to the state final on four other occasions (1991, 2000, 2001 and 2007) and won the Bar-on Cup in 1988, 1995 and 2005.

Hauser announced his retirement at the conclusion of the 2010-11 season and sat third on the all-time wins list among Ohio high school hockey coaches. He has since been passed by Gilmour Academy bench boss **John Malloy**, who now sits at 583 going into this weekend.

"His commitment, knowledge, and skill have established Padua as one of the top programs in the area and the state," said Padua athletic director **Kevin Leigh**. "Thanks to him, Padua enjoys the second best overall hockey record among Ohio high schools."

In 2007, the OHSAA awarded Hauser the Sports, Ethics and Integrity Award for his contributions to high school hockey.



# PADUA HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT; DECEMBER 15-17 @ STRONGSVILLE

## WEST DIVISION

Findlay Trojans (NHC Red Division)  
 Olentangy Liberty (CHC Red Division)  
 St. Charles (CHC Red Division)  
 Sylvania Northview (NHC Red Division)  
 Toledo St. Francis (NHC Red Division)  
 Toledo St. John's (NHC Red Division)

## EAST DIVISION

Holy Name Green Wave (GLHL)  
 Padua Franciscan Bruins (GLHL)  
 St. Edward Eagles (GLHL)  
 Saint Ignatius Wildcats Prep (Independent)  
 University School Preppers (GLHL)  
 Upper Arlington (CHC Red Division)

*All teams will play three preliminary games (one Friday and two Saturday) and a final placement game on Sunday  
 All games will be played at OBM Arena in Strongsville*

## 2017-18 GLHL SCORING LEADERS (all games)

#	NAME	TEAM	GP	G	A	PTS
2	Jacob Schmitt	LC	8	5	8	13
5	Tyler Guarniere	HN	7	6	5	11
12	Cole Horvath	LC	8	8	2	10
21	Ethan Whetstone	US	7	6	4	10
14	Spencer Melcher	HN	7	5	4	9
15	Tanyon Bajzer	STED	7	4	5	9
14	Steven LeVasseur	WJ	7	4	5	9
13	Max Miotke	WJ	7	6	2	8
10	Justin Eles	PAD	8	5	3	8
22	Brennan Dickey	HN	7	1	7	8
13	John Treppo	GA	7	6	1	7
15	Brandon Brown	PAD	8	4	3	7
3	Amaedeo Cantini	LC	8	4	3	7
9	Charlie Valenti	GA	7	3	4	7
14	Jack Henry Muha	US	7	2	5	7



*Gilmour Academy celebrates a win at the Cold Turkey Shootout over the Thanksgiving Weekend. The Lancers have won six games in a row.*

## 2017-18 GLHL GOALTENDING LEADERS (all games)

#	NAME	TEAM	W	L	T	SOL	SOG	SV	GA	GAA	SV%
1	Andrew Stewart	STED	2	1	0	0	62	59	3	1.00	0.952
35	Critter Coughlin	US	2	0	0	0	49	46	3	1.29	0.939
1	Duncan Nichols-Delay	GA	3	1	0	0	137	131	6	1.50	0.956
30	Payton Wetzel	GA	3	0	0	0	88	83	5	1.67	0.943
1	Riley Counahan	US	2	1	1	0	88	79	9	2.45	0.898
30	Ross Conforto	HN	2	0	0	1	81	73	8	2.61	0.901
24	Jakhari Desphy	WJ	3	2	1	1	165	149	16	2.95	0.903
29	Patrick Kristo	LC	2	3	0	0	174	159	15	3.00	0.914
1	Anna Cvitkovich	HN	2	1	1	0	117	105	12	3.84	0.897
33	Nick Harris	PAD	0	2	0	0	90	82	8	4.00	0.911
33	Rob Kish	LC	1	2	0	0	114	98	16	5.33	0.860
1	RJ Schuette	PAD	1	3	0	0	154	130	24	6.00	0.844

