PHOENIXVILLE BOYS BASKETBALL WINS BOARDWALK BASKETBALL CLASSIC

WILDWOOD, NJ (December 31, 2016) – Phoenixville Area High School's Boys Basketball team defeated McKee/State Island Tech (NY) 75-61 in the championship game of the Jack Buchanan Bracket at the Boardwalk Basketball Classic in Wildwood, NJ. PAHS improved to 7-2 on the season, while McKee/Staten Island Tech fell to 11-5.

Senior Shyheim Abernathy had the hot hand for the Phantoms, leading all scorers with 30 points (13-18 FG, 2-4 3FG). Abernathy's 13 field goals are tied for the sixth most in Boardwalk Classic history.

Avery Close had 22 points (9-14 FG), while Phil Meszaros (8 points), Colton Brown (6 points), Hunter Herschell (5 points), Nasir Green (4 points) rounded out the scoring for Phoenixville.

Phoenixville advanced to the championship game after defeating Ocean City High School (NJ) 60-57 in the opening round of the tournament on Friday. Abernathy (19 points) and Close (15 points) led the Phantoms in scoring. Ocean City jumped to a 7-0 lead to start the game, but the Phantoms quickly bounced back and led by as many as eight points in the second quarter. Luciano Lubrano scored a game-high 26 points for Ocean City.

The Boardwalk Basketball Classic is a six day tournament held to raise college scholarship money for graduating seniors for the two high schools that host the tournament, Wildwood and Wildwood Catholic. The Boardwalk Basketball Classic is the largest co-ed high school basketball tournament in the country. Since its inception in 1998, the Boardwalk Basketball Classic has raised over $295,000 in scholarship money.

For more information on the Boardwalk Basketball Classic, please visit www.bbclassic.com.

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