

WNY Queens Tournament

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The Niagara Falls USBC Women's Bowling Association recently hosted the 14th Annual WNY Queen's Tournament at Rapids Bowling Center on Sunday January 29th. Seventy bowlers participated and the top 5 in each of 3 divisions vied for the honor of being crowned Queen's champion.

The step ladder finals resulted in Michelle Sterner of Niagara Falls winning Division I by defeating Carrie Racsumberger of Cheektowaga 236-191, Kathy Geissler of Getzville 213-184 and Kimberly Wangler of Depew 211-183. In the first round Racsumberger defeated Tammy Burgstahler of Cheektowaga.

In Division II, Cheryl Redlein of Cheektowaga who qualified fifth, defeated Theresa Porter, Niagara Falls 202-194, Karen Wade, Lewiston, 233-203, Dee Davis, Buffalo, 217-210, and Lori Digati of Grand Island 255-180 to become Queens champion.

The Division III winner was Ashley Fitzpatrick of Buffalo, who defeated Christina Pasisz of Niagara Falls 165-161 who had previously defeated Jessica Coughlin, North Tonawanda, 184-168 and Heather Frys of West Seneca 183-160. In the opening round Frys defeated Courtney Fitzpatrick, Buffalo, 202-145.

All 3 winners were presented with a tiara, a crown pendant necklace, a long stem red rose and a cash prize by representatives of the Tonawandas and Greater Buffalo Bowling Associations. Next year's event, always the last Sunday in January, will be hosted by the Greater Buffalo USBC.



Cheryl Redlein, Michelle Sterner, Ashley Fitzpatrick

Division I

- 1st Michelle Sterner
- 2nd Kimberly Wangler
- 3rd Kathy Geissler
- 4th Carrie Racsumberger
- 5th Tammy Burgstahler



Division II

- 1st Cheryl Redlein
- 2nd Lori Digati
- 3rd Dee Davis
- 4th Karen Wade
- 5th Theresa Porter



Division III

- 1st Ashley Fitzpatrick
- 2nd Christina Pasisz
- 3rd Jessica Coughlin
- 4th Heather Fry
- 5th Courtney Fitzpatrick

