

John Best Ties For First In Champions' Meet

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KALAMAZOO—Battle Creek and area track and field stars shared in honors here last night in the 7th Annual Kalamazoo Junior Chamber of Commerce Champion of Champions meet.

John Best of Battle Creek tied for first place in the pole vault by clearing 12 feet, 4¼ inches. He was tied by Rick Schlegelmilch of Flint Bentley.

St. Philip's two relay teams placed high with the 880-yard quartet finishing third at 1:37.8 and the mile relay took a fourth spot.

Pennfield's sophomore shot put star Gary Rugg set a new school record on a heave of 53 feet, 1½ inches, but had to settle for fourth place. Bradell Pritchett of Pontiac won on a tremendous heave of 61 feet, ¾ inches.

Mike Martin of Charlotte won the 880 yard run in 1:58.8.

Central's Jim Burise took a fifth in the 100 yard sprint and came in third in a near blanket finish in the 220. His time in the 220 was :22.5.

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