

# RoseDog Books

## Wheeling, WV Author Publishes Novel

### In This Novel a Young Wrestler Struggles to Become a Success On and Off The Mat

*A Wrestler's Curse*, a new book by Bill Welker, has been released by RoseDog Books.

Jacob Christian is a highly intelligent boy who loves the sport of wrestling. He lives in a middle-class household with parents who raised him to be moral-minded, with strong spiritual convictions and values that respected the rights of others.

Diagnosed with Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder at a very young age, Jacob is in a constant battle with his own personal problems, as well as facing strong adversaries in wrestling and during his day-to-day matters. His "coming-of-age" experiences include falling in love, teenage drinking, and making choices that would affect him his entire life. Jacob Christian's transformation from an adolescent to a college student was by no means mundane. There are twists and turns in the storyline that will keep the reader guessing on the various outcomes regarding Jacob's challenging road to adulthood.

*A Wrestler's Curse* will capture the hearts and souls of those who have traveled similar paths in life. Sometimes you will be amused, sometimes you will cry, and sometimes you will be surprised. Jacob's journey in life is one that often pits good against wicked intentions. You will be inspired and uplifted by Jacob's unique decisions.

#### **About the Author**

An award-winning educator and one of the country's foremost authorities on Folkstyle wrestling, Bill Welker has published a national best-seller: *The Wrestling Drill Book*, a DVD, and hundreds of articles on the mat sport since 1974. Most recently, his memoirs, *The Sparrow's Spirit*, was declared the winner in the sports category by the Beverly Hills Book Awards judges. Welker has also published numerous practical papers on the art and science of teaching during his 40-year career. Upon retiring, he was selected as "Teacher of the Year" by the Wheeling (WV) Area Chamber of Commerce. He also received West Virginia University's prestigious Jasper N. Deahl Award for his contributions to education and community service. Welker is a member of four wrestling halls of fame, including the Pennsylvania Wrestling Hall of Fame and the National Wrestling Hall of Fame (West Virginia Chapter). He has been selected twice as the National Wrestling Sportswriter of the Year by Wrestling USA Magazine.

*A Wrestler's Curse* is a 202-page paperback with a retail price of \$16.00. The ISBN is 978-1-6442-6838-4. It was published by RoseDog Books of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. For more information, or to request a review copy, please go to our virtual pressroom at [www.dorrancepressroom.com](http://www.dorrancepressroom.com) or our online bookstore at [www.rosedogbookstore.com](http://www.rosedogbookstore.com).