

# ***Forty-First Annual*** **Ohio Valley Athletic Conference**

## **WRESTLING TOURNAMENT**

*One of the Largest Conference Tournaments in the United States*

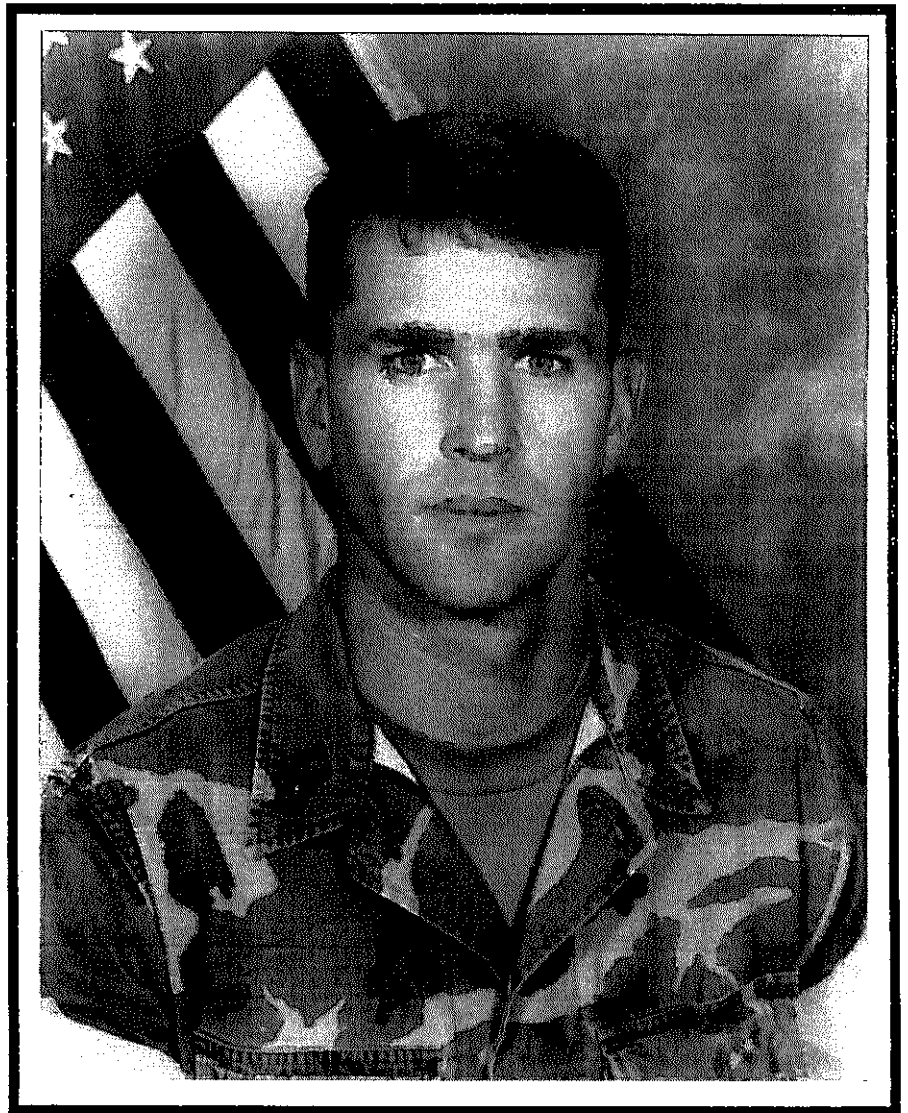
**Wheeling Civic Center**  
**Wheeling, West Virginia**  
**Thursday-Friday-Saturday**  
**January 20 - 21 - 22, 1994**

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**(USMC)**

*"A Champion In Life"*  
**(Story Inside)**



**Souvenir Program**  
**\$2.00**





# CITY OF WHEELING

WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA 26003

Welcome:

On behalf of the City of Wheeling and Wheeling City Council, we welcome all the wrestlers of the Ohio Valley Athletic Conference to the City of Wheeling and to the Wheeling Civic Center for this exciting and important event.

We congratulate all of you for your efforts and hard work which have advanced you this far and wish each and every one of you the very best luck.

We hope that you enjoy your visit to Wheeling and that you will find time to return and visit us again.

Again, congratulations. In our eyes, you are all

**"CHAMPIONS"**

Best regards,

**Jack Lipphardt, Mayor**  
**Brent Bush**  
**Robert Henry**  
**Vernon Seals**  
**Tim McCormick**  
**Mike Nau**  
**Randy Wharton**







*A Word of Welcome To All . . .*

*On behalf of the OVAC, I want to sincerely welcome each and everyone of you to the Annual OVAC Wrestling Tournament. Our warmest expressions of good luck are extended to each team and its supporters entering the great event.*

*From its meager and uncertain start in 1943, the OVAC Wrestling Tournament has grown into one of the major sports attractions in the Ohio Valley.*

*We do not hesitate to say the tournament is actually a demonstration of high character, good conduct, under the rules of the game, and on ethical relationship with one's opponent.*

*As you cheer for your favorite team, may the highest standards of sportsmanship prevail throughout the tournament.*

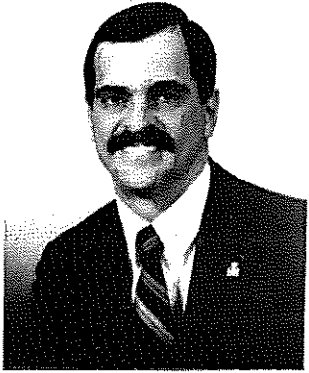
*Mr. Ron Trowbridge  
John Marshall High School  
1994 OVAC President*

*I am proud to act as Director for the Annual OVAC Wrestling Tournament. It is our wish that your visit be pleasant and rewarding. Since only a few will reach the pinnacle of total victory, in our hearts you shall all be champions. May I extend a sincere congratulations to all the schools participating and wish you the very best of luck.*

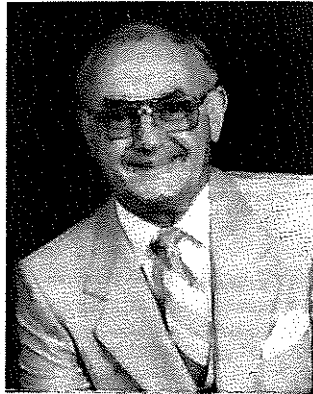
*In closing, let us all work in the spirit of good sportsmanship and remember the motto of the Conference: "Serving The Youth of the Upper Ohio Valley."*

*Mr. Ronald Mauck  
Brooke High School  
Director*

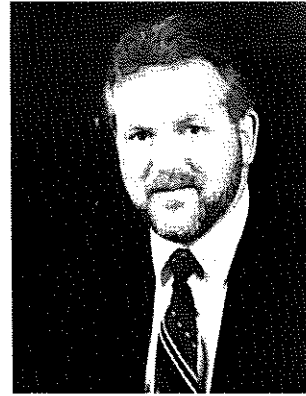




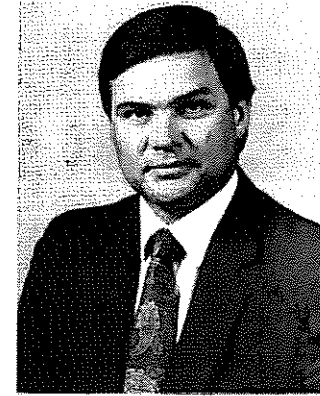
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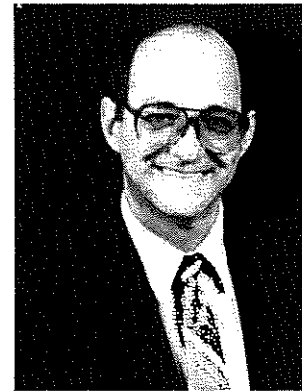


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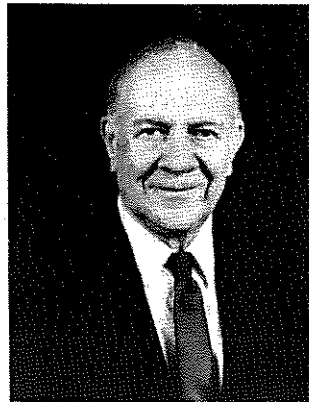
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Board Member



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Treasurer



EVAN REESE  
Commissioner  
Football & Basketball

# OVAC

## Wrestling Tournament Schedule

# 1994

## Meet Sessions

8 MATS  
**First Session, January 20, Thursday, 6:00 PM**

8 MATS  
**Second Session, January 21, Friday, 12:00 PM**

8 MATS  
**Third Session, January 21, Friday, 7:00 PM**

8 MATS  
**Fourth Session, January 22, Saturday, 12:00 PM**

Semi -Finals and Quarter/Semi-Final Consolations

4 MATS  
**Fifth Session, January 22, Saturday, 6:00 PM**

Championship Finals First, Second, Third,  
 Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth Place.

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### OFFICIALS

DAVELYNN	Barnesville, OH	STEVE KISH, JR.	Martins Ferry, OH
BOB BENDER	Martins Ferry, OH	JOE McCOOL	Moundsville, WV
JAMES CROSIER	Barnesville, OH	LOU COFFLAND	Cadiz, OH
SHAWN CROSIER	Steubenville, OH	RAY MARLING	Martins Ferry, OH
JIM COPNEY	Wheeling, WV	CHRIS DISERIO	Keyser, WV
RON TAYLOR	Dayton, OH	TOBEY DUNLAP	Painesville, OH
MIKE STALNAKER	Fairmont, WV	TOM WOODS	Mt. Lake Park, MD
JOHN JEFFERIS	Barnesville, OH		

### OVAC TOURNAMENT INTERPRETERS

DR. VINCE MATTEUCCI - OHIO RULES INTERPRETER  
 DR. BILL WELKER - WV RULES INTERPRETER

THE OVAC WRESTLING TOURNAMENT IS MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH THE BEAUTIFUL  
 FACILITIES OF THE WHEELING CIVIC CENTER AND THE UNTIRING EFFORTS OF:  
 DENNIS MAGRUDER .....WHG. CIVIC CENTER MANAGER  
 RON OSSER ..... TICKET SALES  
 LEE KRAGES ..... FOOD SERVICE

# O.V.A.C. Wrestling

## Thursday Night

### Opening Ceremonies

# JANUARY 20, 1994

**4:00-5:00**  
**5:35**  
**5:35-6:00**

Weigh-ins (Ohio Valley Scales)  
 Coach's meeting and scratch schedule  
 Warm up on mats

**5:35-5:40**

1. Barnesville
2. Beallsville
3. Beaver Local
4. Bellaire
5. Bishop Donahue
6. Bridgeport
7. Brooke
8. Buckeye Local

**5:40-5:45**

9. Cadiz
10. Cambridge
11. Cameron
12. East Liverpool
13. Edison Local
14. Indian Creek
15. John Marshall
16. Linsly

**5:45-5:50**

17. Magnolia
18. Martins Ferry
19. Meadowbrook
20. Oak Glen
21. River
22. Shadyside
23. Shenandoah

**5:50-5:55**

24. St. Clairsville
25. St. John
26. St. Mary's
27. Steubenville
28. Steubenville Catholic
29. Tyler Consolidated
30. Union Local
31. Valley

**5:55-6:00**

32. Weirton
33. Weirton Madonna
34. Wellsville
35. Wheeling Park
36. Woodsfield

**6:05-6:15**

Teams will fall in procession with coaches leading their teams and then line up to the right of their teams (Olympic Music)

**TEAMS ENTER**

**6:15**

Prayer - Bill Welker, Ed. D. - Dean of Students, Warwood Middle School

**6:20**

National Anthem performed by Dave Dayton, John Marshall High School

**6:23**

Processional exit to Olympic Theme

**6:30**

Announce on deck wrestlers



# 1969 OVAC CHAMPIONS

## **ALBIE KAZEMKA**

97 pounds

John Marshall High School

## **JEFF SOMMER**

105 pounds

Martins Ferry High School

## **MIKE DEATON**

114 pounds

Martins Ferry High School

## **DWIGHT WOLFE**

122 pounds

John Marshall High School

## **ROBBIE DUNCAN**

129 pounds

Martins Ferry High School

## **BILL NICHOLSON**

135 pounds

Wheeling High School

## **GENE HILL**

140 pounds

John Marshall High School

## **FRED JEWELL**

147 pounds

Wheeling High School

## **TOM ARNOLD**

156 pounds

Weirton High School

## **ED "BUZZY" EVANS**

167 pounds

St. Johns High School

## **RICK BURKE**

177 pounds

John Marshall High School

## **FRANK KING**

Heavyweight

St. Johns High School

Welcome  
Back!!!

# CONGRATULATIONS, 1969



**Name: Able Kazemka**  
Weight Class: 97 pounds  
Home Address: R.D.#2, Box 189  
Proctor, WV 26055  
School: John Marshall  
Wife: Karen  
Children: Jason, Sheena  
Occupation: Coal Miner

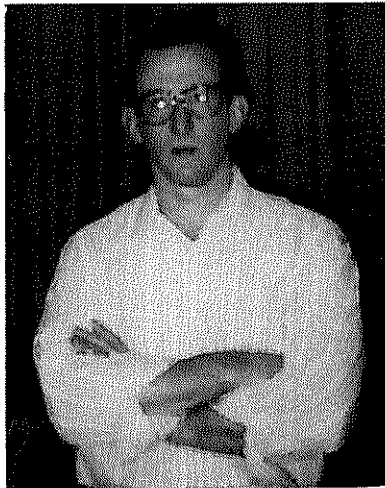


**Name: Jeff Sommer**  
Weight Class: 105 pounds  
Home Address: 111 Third Street  
Martins Ferry, OH 43935  
School: Martins Ferry  
Wife: Linda  
Occupation: Ohio Power Welder

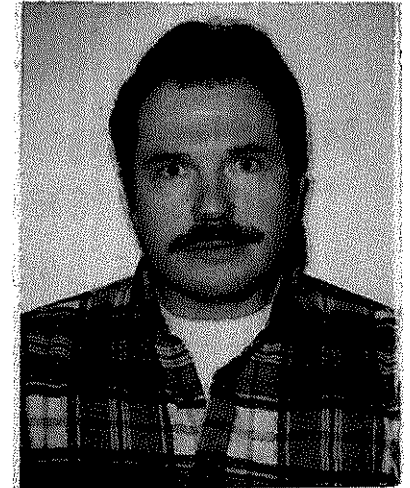


**Name: Mike Deaton**  
Weight Class: 114 pounds  
Home Address: 4410 Pearl Street  
Eugene, OR 97405  
School: Martins Ferry  
Wife: Carolyn  
Children: Heather, Cody  
Occupation: Junior High School  
Teacher  
Oakland, Oregon

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**Name: Dwight Wolfe**  
Weight Class: 122  
Home Address: 130 Red Bridge  
Road  
Gettysburg, PA 17325  
School: John Marshall  
Wife: Donna  
Children: Halona, Colleen  
Occupation: Contracts  
Negotiator

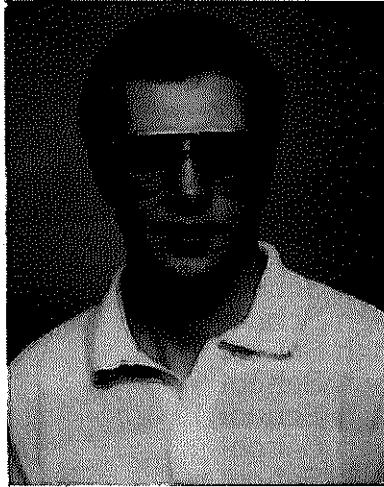


**Name: Robble Duncan**  
Weight Class: 129 pounds  
Home Address: Washington  
Street  
Martins Ferry, OH 43935  
School: Martins Ferry  
Children: Carrie, Robbie  
Occupation: Steel Worker

**Name: Bill Nicholson**  
Weight Class: 135 pounds  
Home Address: 31523 Hipshot  
Drive  
Castaic, CA 91384  
School: Wheeling  
Wife: Bupa  
Occupation: Senior Electrical  
Mechanic, Los Angeles  
Dept. of Water & Power

# OVAC CHAMPIONS

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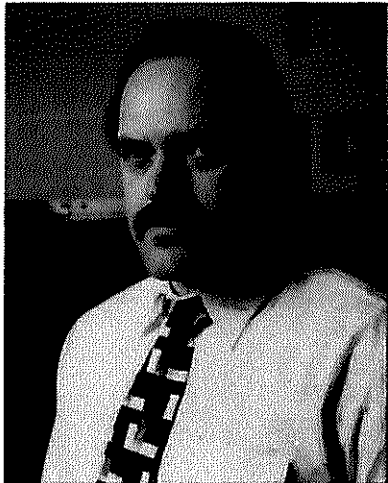


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**Name: Gene Hill**  
Weight Class: 140 pounds  
Home Address: 352 Willis Street  
Youngstown, OH 44511  
School: John Marshall  
Children: Eugene Jr., Ronda,  
Vincent, Netta, Terry  
Occupation: Mill Worker

**Name: Fred Jewell**  
Weight Class: 147 pounds  
Home Address: 101 Walnut Grove  
Wheeling, WV 26003  
School: Wheeling  
Wife: Kathleen  
Children: Fred, Allen, Gwen,  
Renee, Denise, Nichol  
Occupation: Maint. Foreman,  
Consolidation Coal

**Name: Tom Arnold**  
Weight Class: 156 pounds  
Home Address: Route 8,  
Box 273A  
Fairmont, WV 26554  
School: Weirton  
Wife: Patty  
Children: Jamie, Brittany  
Occupation: Waste Consultant,  
Brownin-Ferris Industries  
Fairmont, WV



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**Name: Ed "Buzzy" Evans**  
Weight Class: 167 pounds  
Home Address: 113 Fourth Street  
Bridgeport, OH  
School: Bellaire St. John's  
Children: Jessica, ERica  
Occupation: Teacher and Head  
Wrestling Coach,  
Wheeling Park High

**Name: Rick Burke**  
Weight Class: 177 pounds  
Home Address: P.O. Box 173  
Kurtistown, Hawaii  
School: John Marshall

**Name: Frank King**  
Weight Class: Heavyweight  
Home Address: 5501 Chatford  
Drive  
Columbus, OH 43232  
School: Bellaire St. John's  
Wife: Michelle  
Children: Farah, Leslie, Danyell  
Occupation: Winder, Megnatech  
Corporation

# OVAC OVERALL Tournament Champions

## 1954-1993

1954	Bridgeport High School	George Kovalick
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1961	Martins Ferry High School	John "Corky" Vrotsos
1962	Martins Ferry High School	John "Corky" Vrotsos
1963	Martins Ferry High School	John "Corky" Vrotsos
1964	Martins Ferry High School	John "Corky" Vrotsos
1965	Martins Ferry High School	John "Corky" Vrotsos
1966	Martins Ferry High School	John "Corky" Vrotsos
1967	Martins Ferry High School	John "Corky" Vrotsos
1968	Martins Ferry High School	Art Hehr
1969	St. John Central High School	Joseph G. Bates
1970	Wheeling Central High School	John Hibbert
1971	St. John Central High School	Dennis Bowman
1972	John Marshall High School	Bill Hinegardner
1973	John Marshall High School	Bill Hinegardner
1974	John Marshall High School	Bill Hinegardner
1975	Warwood High School	Eric Carder
1976	Weirton High School	Charles "Skip" Murray
1977	John Marshall High School	Bill Hinegardner
1978	Wheeling Park High School	Eric Carder
1979	Wheeling Park High School	Eric Carder
1980	Steubenville High School	John Craig
1981	Cadiz High School	John Stephenson
1982	Steubenville High School	John Craig
1983	John Marshall High School	Ed Dugas
1984	Steubenville High School	John Craig
1985	Barnesville High School	Darrell Davis
1986	East Liverpool High School	Nick Trombetta
1987	Steubenville High School	John Craig
1988	East Liverpool High School	Nick Trombetta
1989	Steubenville High School	John Craig
1990	Wheeling Park High School	Buzz Evans
1991	Oak Glen High School	Larry Shaw
1992	Steubenville High School	John Craig
1993	Martins Ferry High School	Jeff Oberdick

**1993 OVAC OUTSTANDING WRESTLER and  
DAVID BIERKORETTE AWARD WINNER**

**KELLY SHIELDS  
119 POUNDS - 4-TIME OVAC CHAMPION  
EDISON SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL**

**1993 COACHES OF THE YEAR**

AAAA - BUZZ EVANS, WHEELING PARK  
AAA - JEFF OBERDICK, MARTINS FERRY  
AA - MIKE KINZEL, WELLSVILLE  
A - JIM POTTS, CAMERON

**DANIEL BURKE MEMORIAL  
SCHOLARSHIP**

*DWAYNE PATTERSON, OAK GLEN*

**GEORGE KOVALICK  
SCHOLARSHIP**

*DAVE NORRIS, CAMERON*

**1993 OVAC TOURNAMENT  
DIVISION CHAMPIONS**

AAAA  
STEUBENVILLE

AAA  
MARTINS FERRY

AA  
WELLSVILLE

A  
CAMERON

**1993 DUAL MEET  
CHAMPIONS**

AAAA  
WHEELING PARK

AAA  
BARNESVILLE

AA  
WELLSVILLE

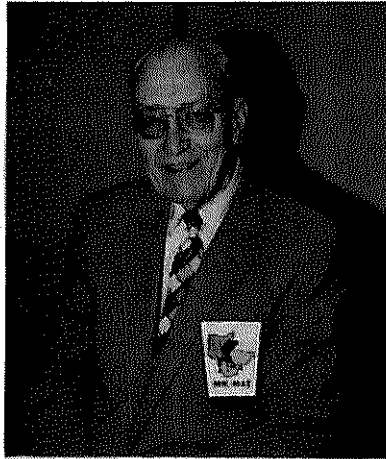
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CAMERON

**\*1993 OVERALL TEAM CHAMPION  
MARTINS FERRY HIGH SCHOOL**

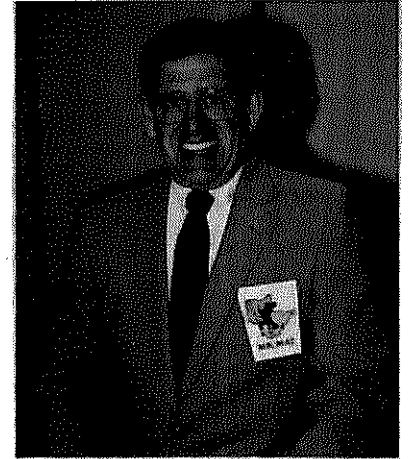
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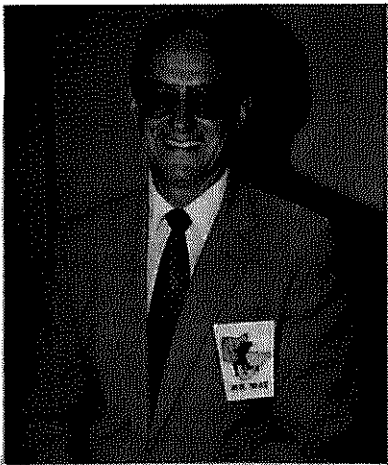
1976: **GEORGE KOVALICK**  
Bellaire



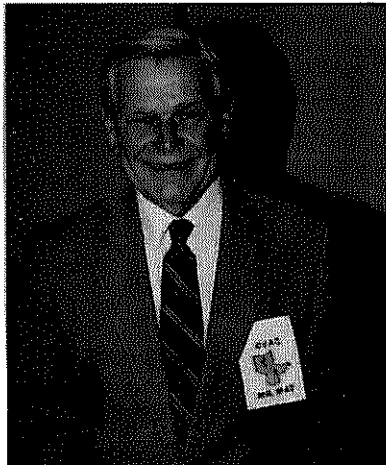
1977: **WILLIAM VAN HORNE**  
Sports Editor  
Wheeling News-Register



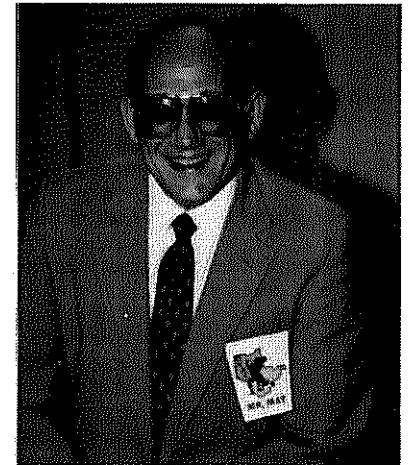
1978: **JOHN VROTSOS**  
Martins Ferry



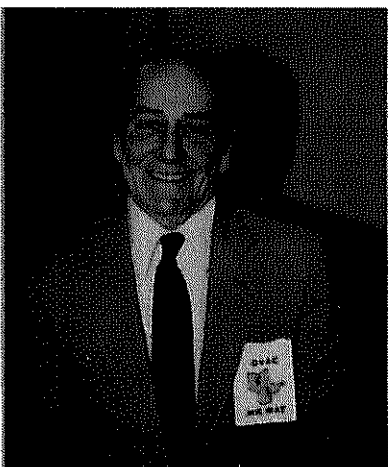
1979: **RICHARD EDGE**  
Springfield High School



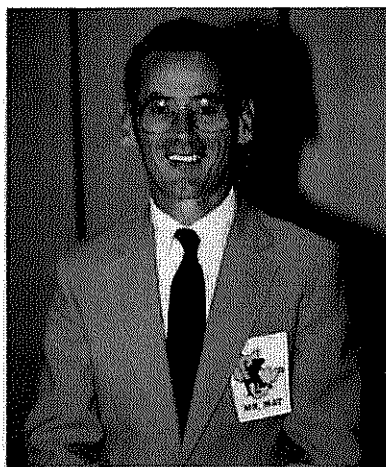
1980: **GEORGE WALLEY**  
John Marshall



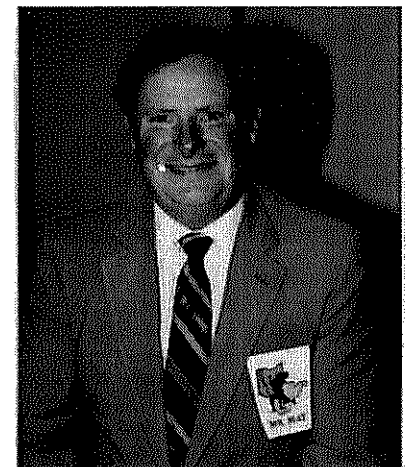
1981: **BOB HEDMOND**  
Steubenville



1982: **PAUL CRAGO**  
Moundville High School

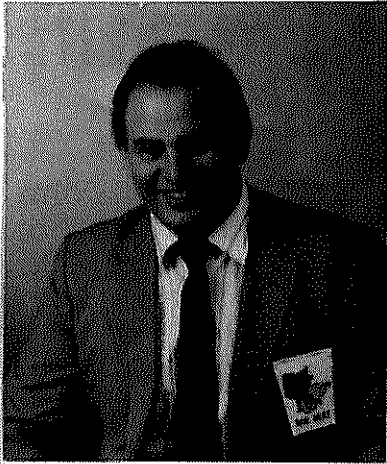


1983: **DR. VINCE MONSEAU**  
West Liberty State College

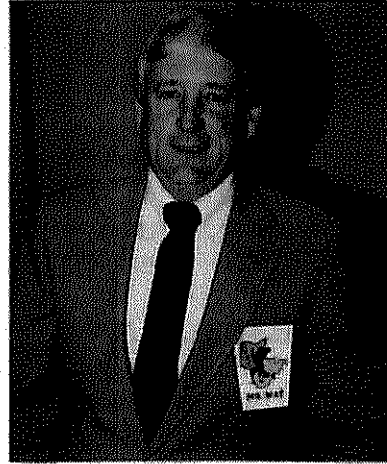


1984: **BILL HINEGARDNER**  
John Marshall

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1985: DENNIS BOWMAN  
Bellaire High School



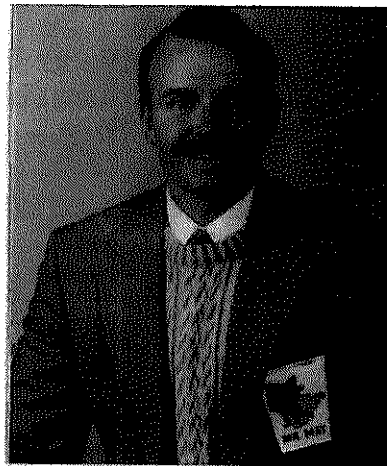
1986: RON MAUCK  
Brooke High School



1987: ERIC CARDER  
Wheeling Park High School



1988: DAVE KOVALICK  
Barnesville High School



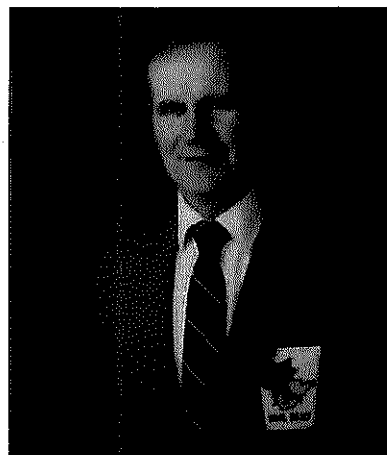
1989: STEVE KISH  
Bellaire High School



1990: CARL FODOR  
Weirton High School



1991: DR. BILL WELKER  
Warwood Middle School



1992: LARRY DEATON  
Martins Ferry High School



1993: JOHN STEPHENSON  
Cadiz High School

# 1993 OVAC Mat Results

## OVERALL

1. Martins Ferry 174; 2. Cameron 172; 3. Steubenville 146; 4. Barnesville 145-1/2; 5. Wheeling Park 141; 6. East Liverpool 131-1/2; 7. John Marshall 111-1/2; 8. River 107-1/2; 9. Oak Glen 105; 10. Wellsville 103-1/2.

## CLASS AAAA

1. Steubenville 146; 2. Wheeling Park 141; 3. East Liverpool 131-1/2; 4. John Marshall 111-1/2; 5. Oak Glen 105; 6. Buckeye Local 90; 7. Cambridge 85; 8. Beaver Local 67; 9. Brooke 57; 10. Meadowbrook 50-1/2; 11. Weir 49.

## CLASS AAA

1. Martins Ferry 174; 2. Barnesville 145-1/2; 3. River 107-1/2; 4. Edison South 100-1/2; 5. Bellaire 95; 6. St. Clairsville 87; 7. Union Local 53-1/2; 8. Wintersville 30; 9. Magnolia 23; 10. St. Marys 10.

## CLASS AA

1. Wellsville 103-1/2; 2. Bridgeport 69; 3. Shenandoah 63; 4. Cadiz 54-1/2; 5. Mingo 50; 6. Steubenville Catholic Central 22; 7. Linsly 14; 8. Valley 7.

## CLASS A

1. Cameron 172; 2. Shadyside 83-1/2; 3. Woodsfield 75-1/2; 4. Bellaire St. John's 49-1/2; 5. Bishop Donahue 34; 6. Edison North 18; 7. Sistersville 10-1/2; 8. Beallsville 9; 9. Weirton Madonna 8.

\*The OVAC Wrestling Tournament is now a  
"Double Elimination" event.

## DAVE BEIRKORETTE WRESTLING AWARDS

1971	Don Blum	Martins Ferry High School
1972	Art Jones	Bellaire High School
1973	Dan Claugus	Barnesville High School
1974	Sheldon Grace	Weir High School
1975	Mike Kovalick	Bellaire High School
1976	Randy Davia	Cadiz High School
	Ed Covey	Bridgeport High School
1977	Rich Davis	Jefferson Union High School
1978	Carl Stanley	Wheeling Park High School
1979	Rady Pryor	Weir High School
1980	Trent Iachini	Steubenville High School
1981	Mike Tluchowski	Steubenville High School
1982	Larry Isleman	Toronto High School
1983	Brian Miller	Barnesville High School
1984	Heath Beardmore	Cambridge High School
1985	Tim Moxley	Barnesville High School
1986	Sean Murray	Oak Glen High School
1987	Mark Mlynek	Bellaire High School
1988	Rich Burlenski	Bridgeport High School
1989	Mark Emmerling	East Liverpool High School
1990	Babe Sidon	Martins Ferry High School
1991	Doug Knight	Steubenville High School
1992	R. C. Anderson	Cameron High School
1993	Kelly Shields	Edison South High School

Presented during the Banquet of Champions by Wheeling Central Boosters Club



# 1993 OVAC PLACEWINNERS

## TOP EIGHT IN '93

### 103 POUNDS

RESULTS	WRESTLER	GRADE	SCHOOL	DIV.	PLACE	SEED
Fall 3:25	Jason Taylor	10	Wheeling Park	4A	1	1
	Lamont Tucker	10	Martins Ferry	3A	2	5
15-2	Eric Anderson	9	St. John's	1A	3	6
	Ryan Nightingale	9	Wellsville	2A	4	2
10-2	Scooter Mitchell	11	Brooke	4A	5	3
	Jacob Partlow	10	Shenandoah	2A	6	4
6-4	Randy Cole	10	Union Local	3A	7	7
	Jason Echeles	9	East Liverpool	4A	8	8

### 112 POUNDS

RESULTS	WRESTLER	GRADE	SCHOOL	DIV.	PLACE	SEED
13-3	Chad Burge	11	Cameron	1A	1	2
	Jon Roe	12	Meadowbrook	4A	2	1
8-3	Justin Ewing	10	St. Clairsville	3A	3	3
	Brad Hockenberry	10	Cambridge	4A	4	-
4-3	Mark Powell	11	Brooke	4A	5	4
	Bob Tucker	10	Martins Ferry	3A	6	8
9-4	Brad Robb	9	Barnesville	3A	7	-
	Gino Jerrone	10	Wheeling Park	4A	8	6

### 119 POUNDS

RESULTS	WRESTLER	GRADE	SCHOOL	DIV.	PLACE	SEED
10-2	Kelly Shields	12	Edison South	3A	1	1
	Brian Roskovich	10	Bridgeport	2A	2	2
Default	Leonard Kinzel	11	Wellsville	2A	3	-
	Mike Stern	12	Cameron	1A	4	5
6-1	Jim Bob Lewis	10	Union Local	3A	5	6
	Jason Ballard	11	Barnesville	3A	6	-
1-0	Jason Phillipovich	12	St. John's	1A	7	8
	Boogie Holstein	10	Shenandoah	2A	8	3

### 125 POUNDS

RESULTS	WRESTLER	GRADE	SCHOOL	DIV.	PLACE	SEED
6-2	Dwayne Patterson	12	Oak Glen	4A	1	2
	Mike Smith	12	Wellsville	2A	2	4
4-3	Ryan Dudas	12	Cameron	1A	3	1
	Scott Haynes	12	Barnesville	3A	4	8
11-7	Cory Ellsworth	10	Bridgeport	2A	5	7
	Nick Spencer	11	Edison South	3A	6	5
8-2	Scott Buckley	12	Union Local	3A	7	-
	Jay Dillon	11	Martins Ferry	3A	8	-

# 1993 OVAC PLACEWINNERS

## TOP EIGHT IN '93

### 130 POUNDS

RESULTS	WRESTLER	GRADE	SCHOOL	DIV.	PLACE	SEED
5-1	Jeff Smith	12	Martins Ferry	3A	1	1
	Jason Mokros	11	Shadyside	1A	2	3
2-0	Robert Taggart	11	Wheeling Park	4A	3	7
	Brian Swallie	12	Barnesville	3A	4	6
8-3	Howard Stoner	11	St. Clairsville	3A	5	4
	Chris Beal	12	Wellsville	2A	6	-
8-7	Gregg Glover	12	Buckeye Local	4A	7	-
	Chris Lynn	11	Woodsfield	1A	8	-

### 135 POUNDS

RESULTS	WRESTLER	GRADE	SCHOOL	DIV.	PLACE	SEED
5:21	Cliff Ward	10	John Marshall	4A	1	2
	Jonathan Winkler	12	River	3A	2	4
2-0	Brian Littleton	12	Shadyside	1A	3	6
	Jaimie McKinnon	12	East Liverpool	4A	4	-
OT 9-7	Jeff Russell	12	Martins Ferry	3A	5	3
	Rich Blackburn	12	Shenandoah	2A	6	8
14-0	Justin Jack	11	Wheeling Park	4A	7	7
	Scott Cassidy	12	Buckeye Local	4A	8	-J

### 140 POUNDS

RESULTS	WRESTLER	GRADE	SCHOOL	DIV.	PLACE	SEED
8-4	Jerry Otto	12	River	3A	1	1
	Tim Sarge	11	East Liverpool	4A	2	6
10-3	Jack Gilman	12	St. Clairsville	3A	3	2
	Brian Jones	12	Steubenville	4A	4	3
7-1	Frank Valentine	11	Martins Ferry	3A	5	4
	Nick Francis	12	Bellaire	3A	6	-
4-3	Ryan Slack	11	Shadyside	1A	7	-
	David Ruza	12	John Marshall	4A	8	7

### 145 POUNDS

RESULTS	WRESTLER	GRADE	SCHOOL	DIV.	PLACE	SEED
3:10	Dustin Harris	11	Beaver Local	4A	1	1
	Marlon Hill	10	Steubenville	4A	2	5
3-0	Andy Anderson	12	Cameron	1A	3	2
	Brent Littleton	11	Shadyside	1A	4	-
Default	Jim Robson	12	Buckeye Local	4A	5	6
	Jason Suitt	12	Cambridge	4A	6	4
5-0	Marc Hanes	11	Barnesville	3A	7	3
	Bryan Boston	12	Bellaire	3A	8	7

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### 152 POUNDS

RESULTS	WRESTLER	GRADE	SCHOOL	DIV.	PLACE	SEED
Default	Jeremy Wilkinson	12	Cambridge	4A	1	1
	Marc Betteridge	12	East Liverpool	4A	2	2
8-2	Chad Weber	12	Woodsfield	1A	3	3
	Buddy Gray	12	Cameron	1A	4	4
6-5	Shane Vucelich	12	River	3A	5	5
	Jason Stephen	10	Barnesville	3A	6	-
3-1	Mike Hill	10	Steubenville	4A	7	6
	Jason Baker	12	Oak Glen	4A	8	8

### 160 POUNDS

RESULTS	WRESTLER	GRADE	SCHOOL	DIV.	PLACE	SEED
TF 6:00	Brian Jefferies	12	Barnesville	3A	1	1
	Matt Aldrich	10	East Liverpool	4A	2	2
4-2	Brian Smith	12	Bellaire	3A	3	4
	Jeremy Cramer	10	Woodsfield	1A	4	-
8-5	Dave Norris	12	Cameron	1A	5	3
	Bob Moore	12	Wheeling Park	4A	6	-
9-5	Jason Beadnell	11	Edison North	2A	7	-
	John Call	12	Edison South	4A	8	5

### 171 POUNDS

RESULTS	WRESTLER	GRADE	SCHOOL	DIV.	PLACE	SEED
6-5	Chris Snider	12	Steubenville	4A	1	1
	John Gavarkovich	12	Martins Ferry	3A	2	2
12-0	Dave DiLeonardo	11	Edison South	2A	3	7
	Alpha Johnston	12	Cambridge	4A	4	5
Default	Mike Dimmerling	12	Woodsfield	1A	5	3
	Mike Hanlon	12	East Liverpool	4A	6	4
3:39	Jamie Smarella	12	Mingo	2A	7	6
	Robbie Shreve	12	Wheeling Park	4A	8	8

### 189 POUNDS

RESULTS	WRESTLER	GRADE	SCHOOL	DIV.	PLACE	SEED
9-4	Tyrone Rosenberry	12	Steubenville	4A	1	1
	Jeff Silverio	12	Bellaire	3A	2	2
OT 4-3	Matt Hennis	11	Cadiz	2A	3	4
	Joe Cominsky	10	Buckeye Local	4A	4	7
10-0	Don Hendershot	12	River	3A	5	3
	Pat Van Scyoc	11	John Marshall	4A	6	5
4:04	Cory Heath	9	Barnesville	3A	7	-
	Chad Payner	11	Beaver Local	4A	8	-

### HEAVYWEIGHT

RESULTS	WRESTLER	GRADE	SCHOOL	DIV.	PLACE	SEED
1:21	Matt Nardone	12	John Marshall	4A	1	1
	Shawn Grimes	11	Wheeling Park	4A	2	2
6-1	Jim Ohalek	10	Weir	4A	3	5
	Dave Spencer	12	Oak Glen	4A	4	6
3-2	Chad Bolon	12	Martins Ferry	3A	5	4
	Rick Koprass	10	Steubenville	4A	6	8
10-2	Bob Ogden	10	Buckeye Local	4A	7	7
	Mark Blackburn	12	Mingo	1A	8	3

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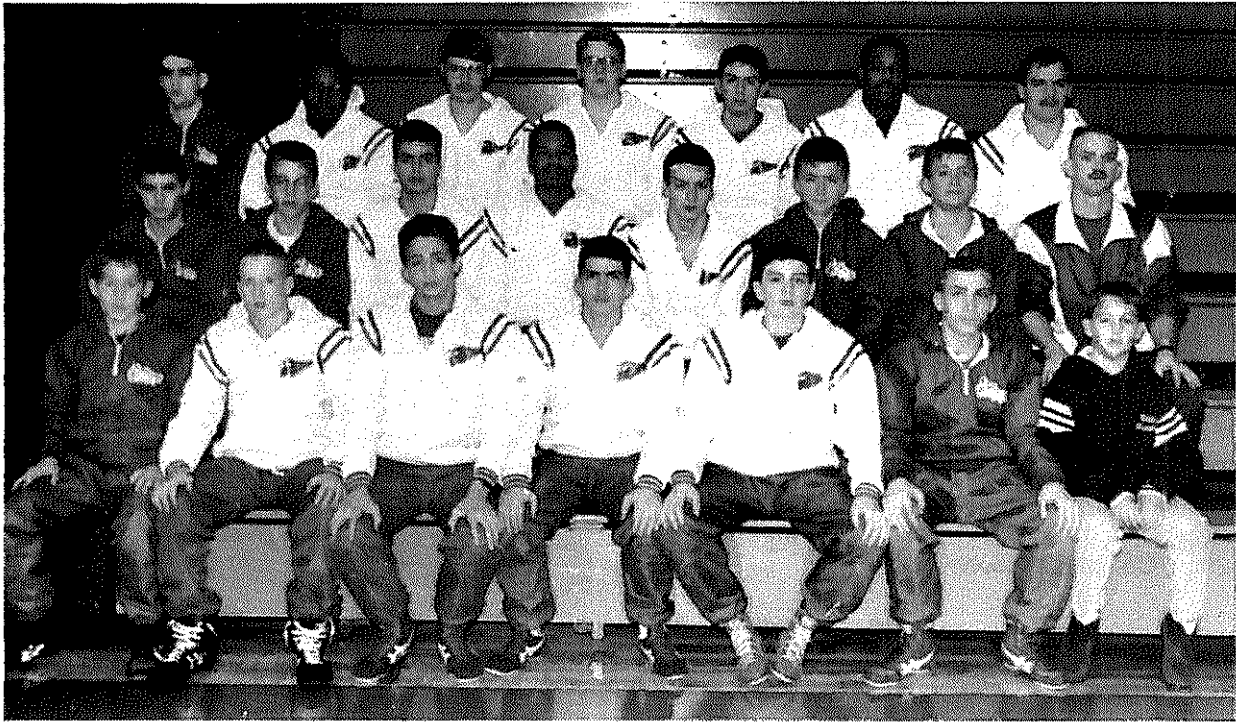
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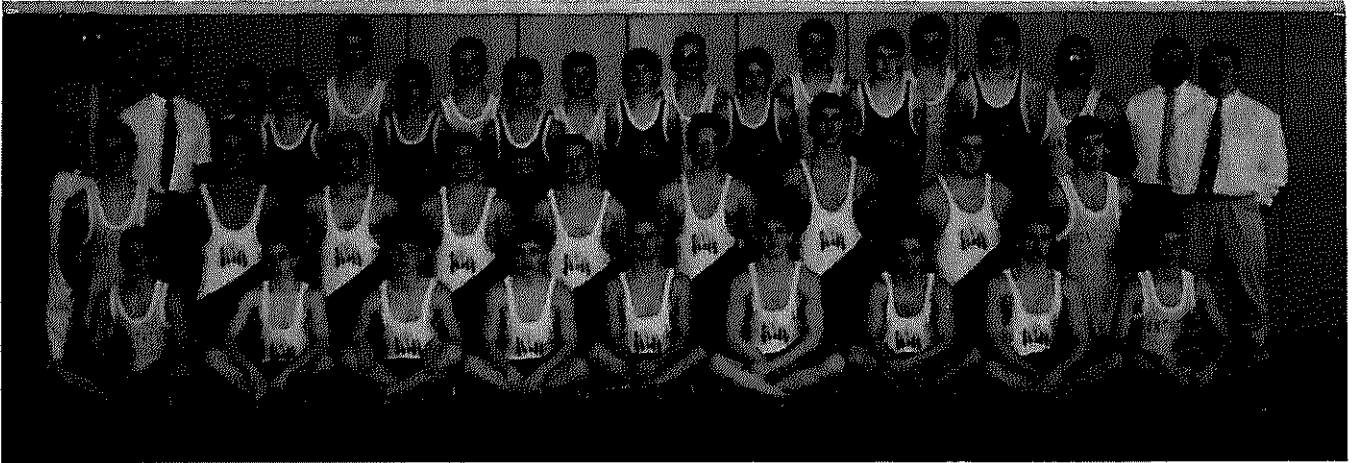
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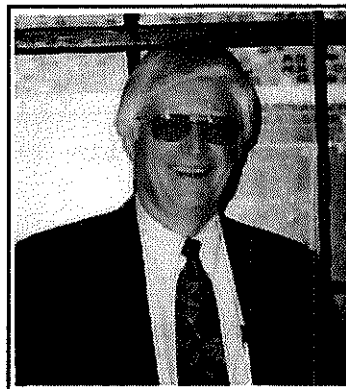
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At the West Virginia State Wrestling Tournament a few years ago, I had the pleasure to witness a rare display of sportsmanship at its highest level. During the semi-finals of the AAA Division, I was working with Roger Jefferson from Charleston, WV, alternating as referee and assistant referee for each weight class. Nothing out of the ordinary had happened until I heard the announcer call on deck at our mat two 189-pound wrestlers. I was all too familiar with them, and it would be my turn as head official.

As Wheeling Park's Darryl Wise and Kirby Barbour of John Marshall stepped on the mat, I asked Roger if he wouldn't mind taking the match. He said that would be great because next on deck at our mat was a heavyweight from the school where Roger t and coached.

What I didn't tell Roger was the fact that I had officiated these two boys three times during the course of the year. The first time was at a dual meet where both matment tied (2 – 2), and twice in tournament competition where both bouts ended in low scoring nightmares for yours truly. I didn't want Roger to be influenced by history of their previous matches. Poor Roger, he had no idea what was in store for him.

As Roger's assistant, I observed both wrestlers go at it hot and heavy during the first period. However, at the end of the stanza the score remained 0 – 0. At the start of the second period, Roger said that he hoped it wouldn't be a close one. I just nodded and prayed that Roger would be spared the ordeal that I encountered throughout the year.

Well, he wasn't. Wise scored and escape in the second period and so did Barbour during the third period. At the conclusion of the regulation match, the score was 1 – 1 and the bad dream was repeating itself, only this time Roger was experiencing it.

The overtime match was a repeat of the regular bout, with the score 2 – 2 in the third period and 15 seconds left. By this time, all the other matches had ended, and all eyes — fans, officials, wrestlers, and table workers — were directed toward our mat. Rogers's only comment as he circled the mat, praying for a takedown, was "Why me, Lord?"

As the match was coming to a close, some of our fellow officials, who were observing the bout, sarcastically whispered "No. 12" as we passed by during the action. They were referring to Overtime Criteria #12, which stated in the event of a tie, the referee and his assistant must determine the winner based on aggressiveness and superior wrestling ability. No referee wants to be in this predicament (and thank goodness for the new sudden death procedure), but of course we were as the final buzzer blared in our ears.

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Roger and I directed the two wrestlers to the center of the mat, while we discussed the match away from everyone. Actually, we really wanted somehow to rid ourselves of this dilemma. But such is the life of an official — sometimes you get the bear and sometimes he gets you. We could almost see the claws of pressure shredding us to pieces as we finally came to a decision.

As Roger raised Barbour's hand, I explained to both matmen how we arrived at our verdict. Most of the crowd cheered while others jeered the outcome. Those in the know realized what a difficult job we had and applauded our efforts. And when both boys hugged each other as they walked off the mat, Roger and I know we made the right choice.

After accepting the complimentary "good job" from our peers in the officiating ranks and explaining our decision to each coach, we finished the night with the final heavyweight bout. But we were not prepared for what happened as we began walking to the shower room following the last match.

As we left the mat area, we were confronted by Barbour and West again. They graciously shook our hands and apologized for putting us through the agony of their match. Furthermore, they let us know that they could live with the outcome of the match and would learn from it. We truly respected these remarks of two truly mature young adults. And they walked away, arm in arm, to the amazement of those watching this display of sincere sportsmanship. As a matter of fact, those still present in the arena who observed their encounter with us, applauded both of them.

I believe that I will never forget that moment. It restored my faith in the ideals of competitive sports — and it says a lot for today's scholastic athletes as well as the coaches who molded them into young men of character.

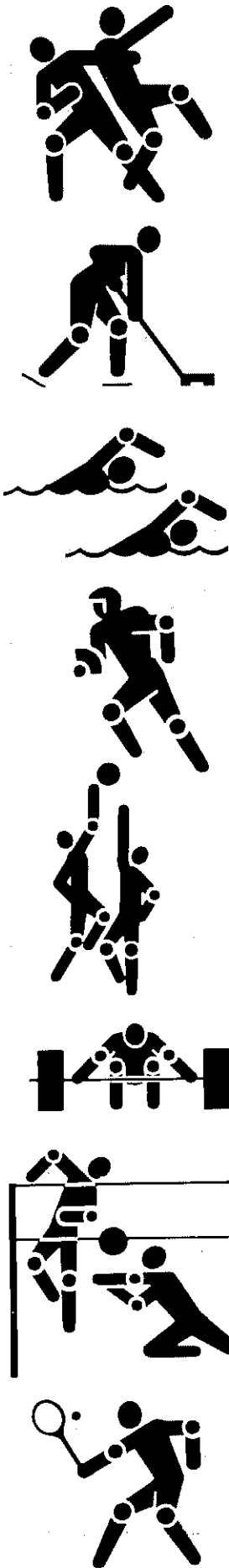
I should mention here that Barbour went on to win the 189-pound state championship the next day and Wise also placed. But their actions of the night before made them both champions in my eyes.

Oh, by the way, I finally told Roger Jefferson and my fellow officials later that night — "the rest of the (Barbour and West) story."

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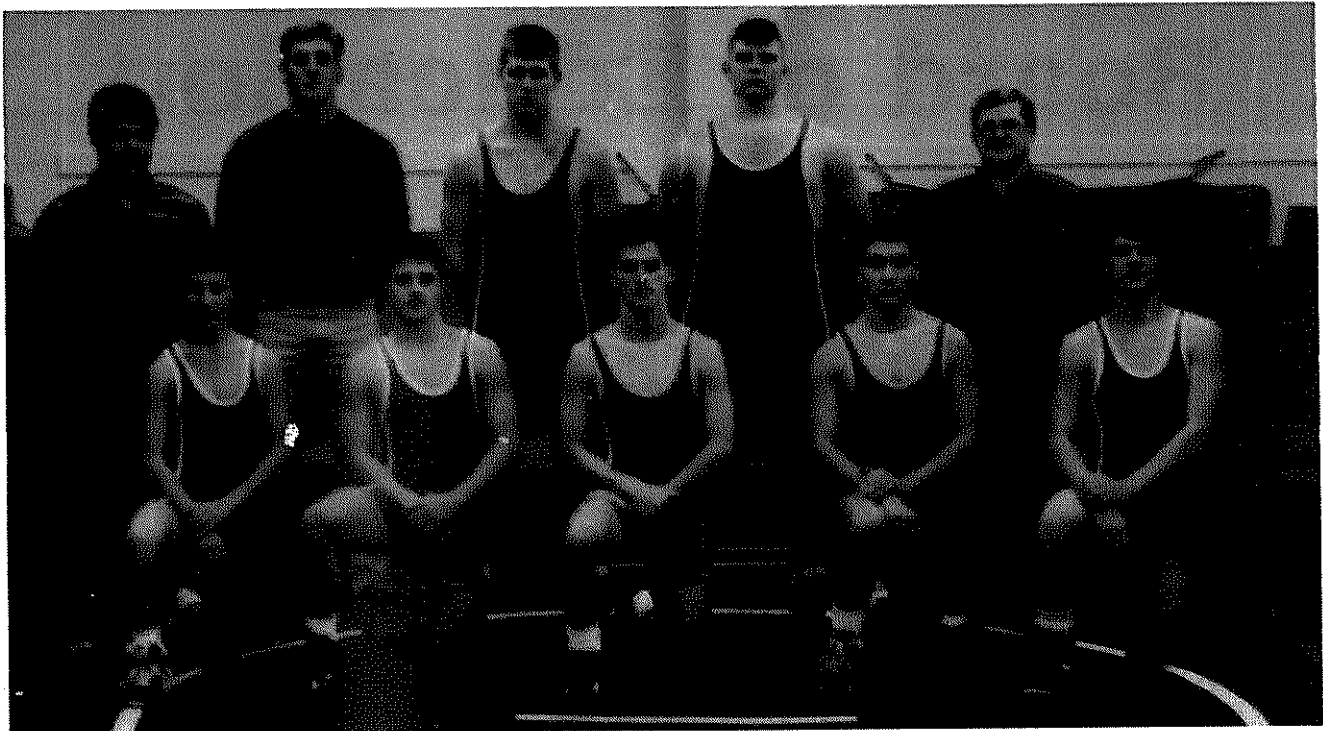
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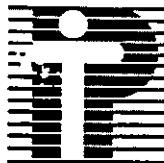
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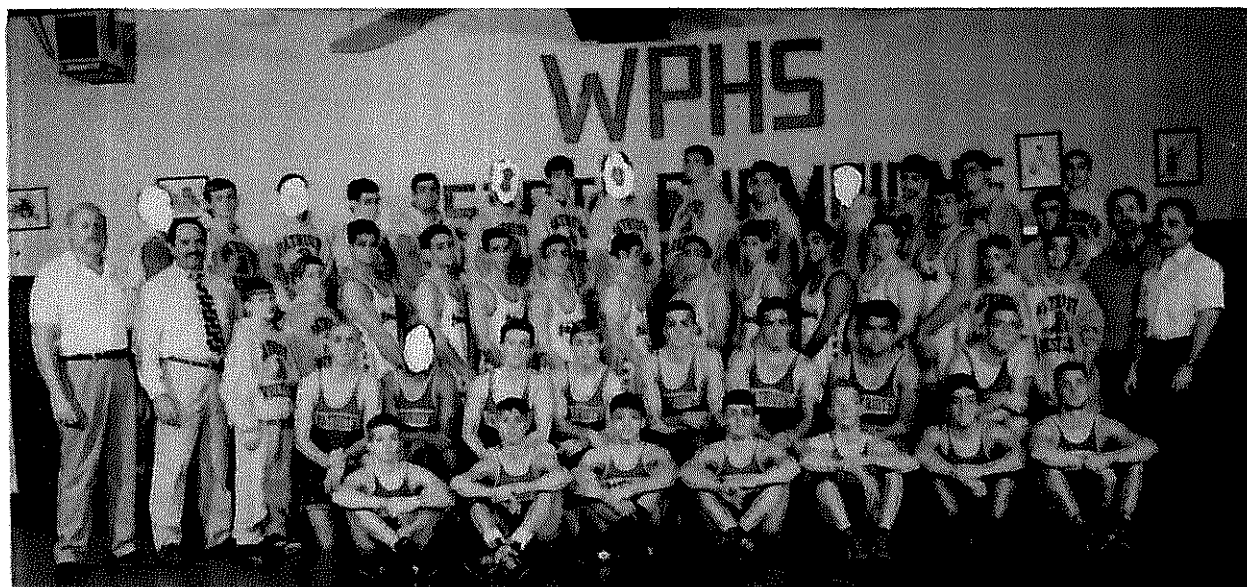
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## "A CHAMPION IN LIFE"

Bill Taggart grew up on Wheeling Island, wrestled for the old Wheeling High "Wildcats," but never won an OVAC Championship. Still, if you were to ask Major Taggart today, "What prepared you the most for adult living in this highly complex and dangerous world?"

Taggart would simply reply, "WRESTLING!"

After graduating from high school in 1973, Bill Taggart joined the Corps, was selected as Honor Man at Basic Training (Boot Camp), and meritoriously promoted to Private First Class and Corporal. He was discharged in 1976 and returned home to continue his education at West Liberty State College where he earned a bachelor's degree.

Bill Taggart returned to the Marine Corps as a commissioned 2nd Lieutenant in 1980, and from there nothing could stop him. As a reconnaissance officer, Major Taggart's clandestine assignments have taken him around the world . . . to Japan, to the Pacific Ocean region, and most recently, to Kuwait during the Gulf War. It was after the liberation of Kuwait that Bill Taggart was awarded the rank of Major. But this is only the tip of the iceberg.

As a qualified parachutist and Combat scuba diver, Major Taggart is now and inspector-instructor. Not only has he trained hundreds of proud Marines, but he has also assisted other governmental agencies as well. Taggart and his staff have taught urban assault courses to officials in the FBI, NASA, US Customs, State Dept., and police SWAT teams from New Jersey, Virginia, Maryland, Louisiana, and Washington, D.C.

Furthermore, Major Taggart has planned and supervised four Counter Drug Operations along the United States borders in support of State and Federal Law Enforcement Agencies in their efforts to eradicate international trafficking of illegal drugs.

Most recently, Major Taggart and his team of expert divers volunteered to perform an assignment that nobody else wanted to do. On Wednesday, September 22, 1993, the Sunset Limited Amtrak Train derailed from a bridge over a remote bayou outside of Mobile, Alabama. Many passengers were rescued, but what about the dead who were still trapped under the muddy, oily, snake-infested waters?

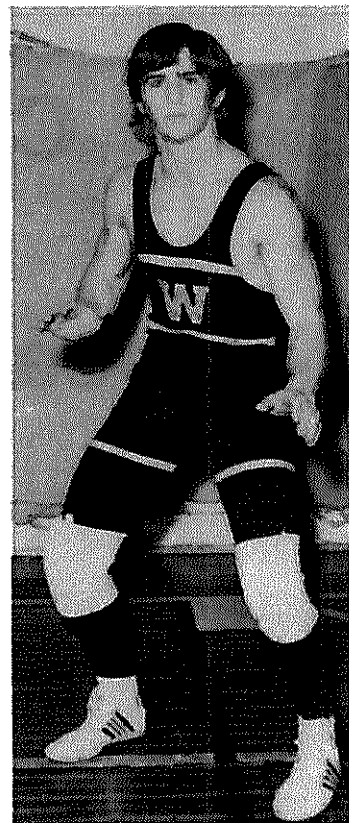
It was Major Taggart and his men who risked their lives to bring the remaining 47 victims back to their loved ones for proper interment. The task was a gruesome one. Moreover, there was no visibility below the surface, as Taggart and his men dived for three days into the submerged train cars and engines to retrieve the bodies. In the end, they accomplished their goal and went on their way without fanfare.

For his efforts in this nationally-publicized accident, Major William H. Taggart was awarded his second "Navy Commendation Medal with Gold Star." In fact, Bill Taggart has received numerous honors and decorations over the years, which include:

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- Meritous Unit Commendation
- Kuwait Liberation Medal
- National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Star
- Sea Service Deployment Ribbon with two Bronze stars
- Combat Action Ribbon
- Navy Unit Commendation
- Arctic Service Ribbon
- Overseas Ribbon
- South West Asia Service Medal with two Bronze Stars

As his coach, I can testify that Bill Taggart was a dedicated wrestler in high school. And as you can plainly see, the positive traits this real-life American patriot learned from wrestling did not shine through until after his competitive years were over. Today, Bill Taggart resides in Mobile, Alabama with his lovely wife Cathy Jo and their daughter Courtney, 10.

Many coaches wonder if any of their efforts really have an effect on their wrestlers. In my 10 years of coaching, I never had an OVAC Champion. I was luckier; I helped to mold the character of Major William H. Taggart (USMC) – "A Champion in Life."



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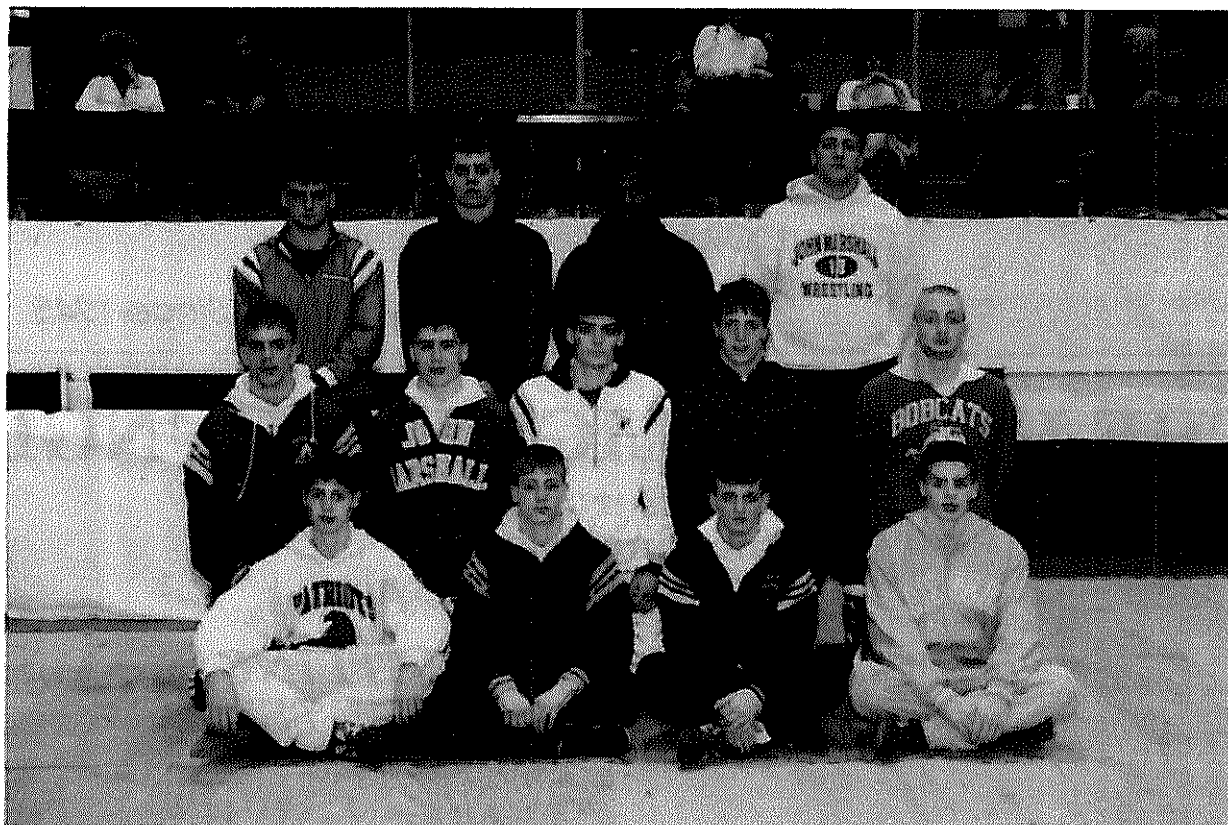
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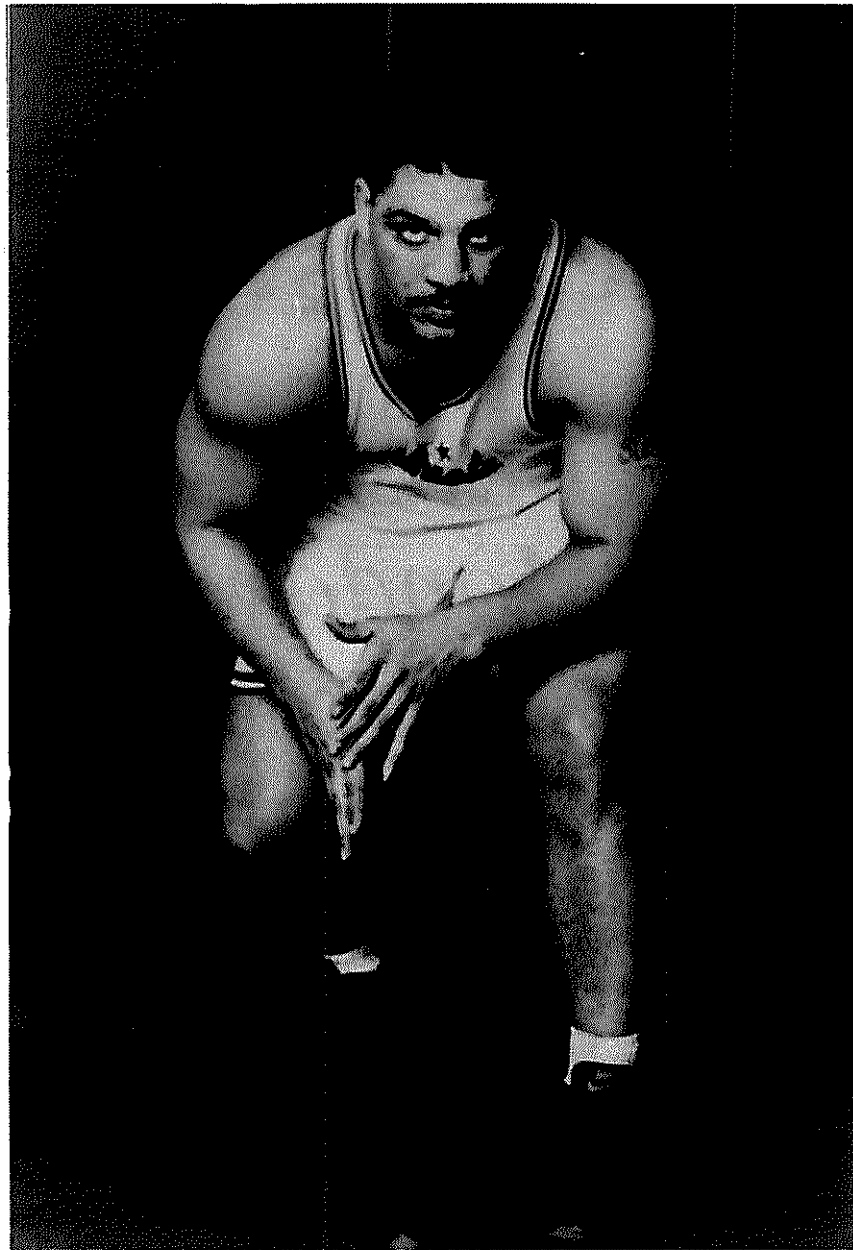
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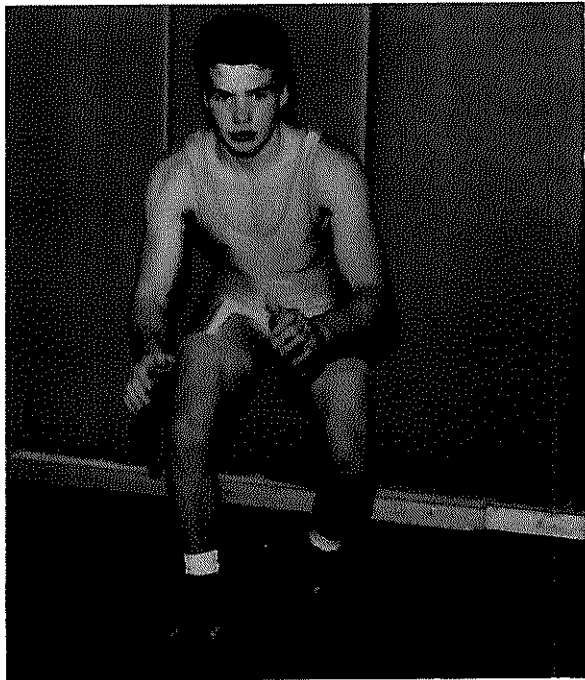
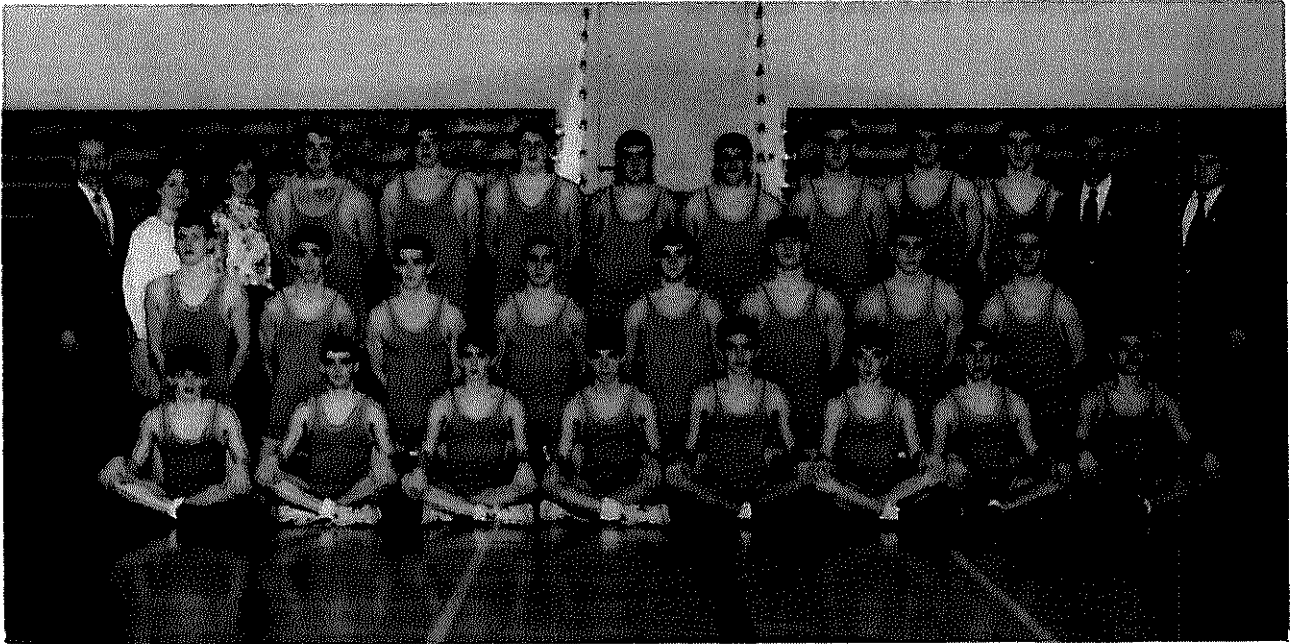
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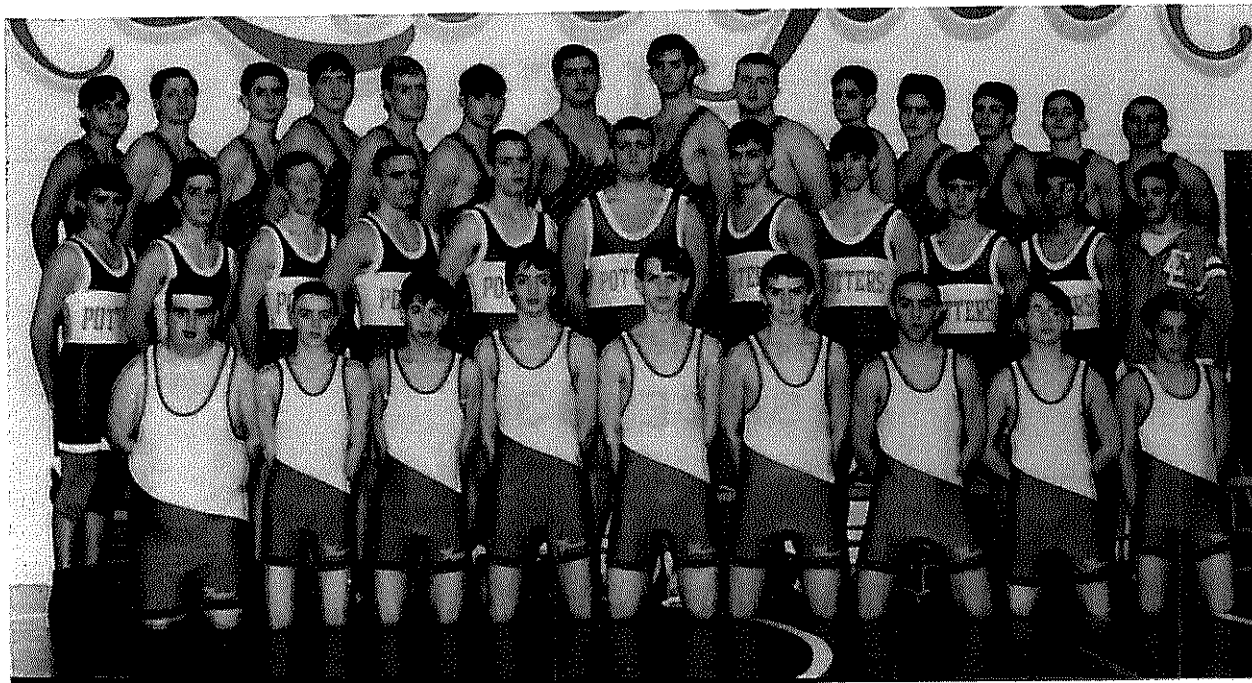


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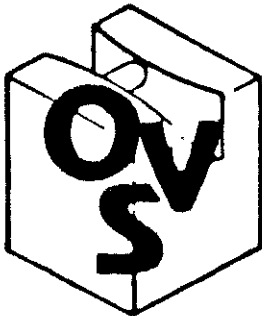
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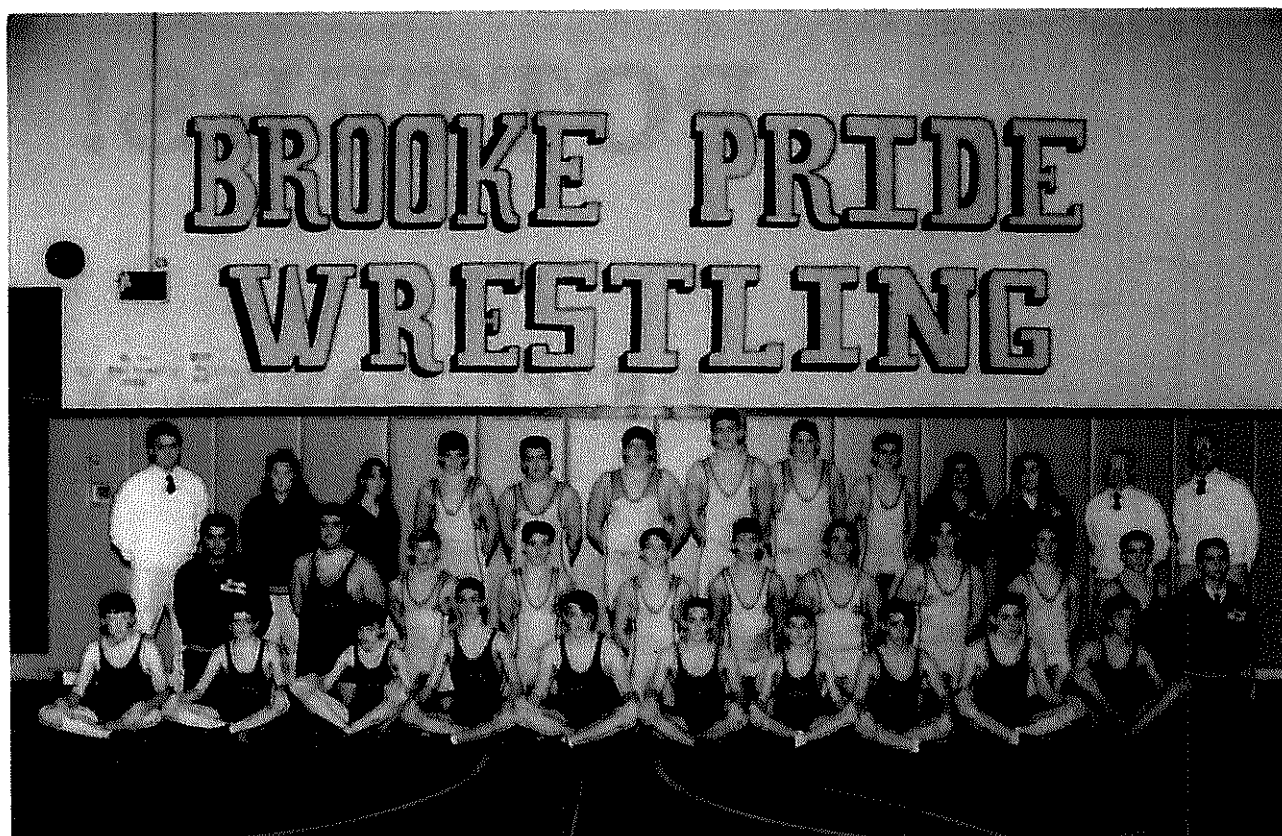
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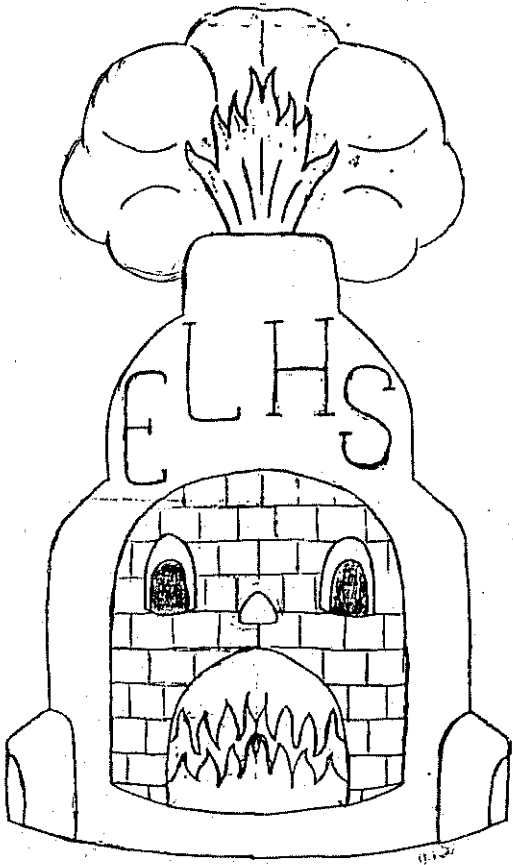
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6:20 PM Junior High School Coach  
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6:25 PM Service Award Winners

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6:30 PM Past Champions Introductions

6:40 PM Olympic Theme

**"A" RUNNER-UP**  
Presenter John Vrotsos  
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6:45 PM Singing of the National Anthem

**"A" CHAMPION**  
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6:50 PM Parade of Champions Exit  
Olympic Theme

7:00 PM **START TOURNAMENT**

**"AA" RUNNER-UP**  
Presenter Bob Hedmond  
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**"AA" CHAMPION**  
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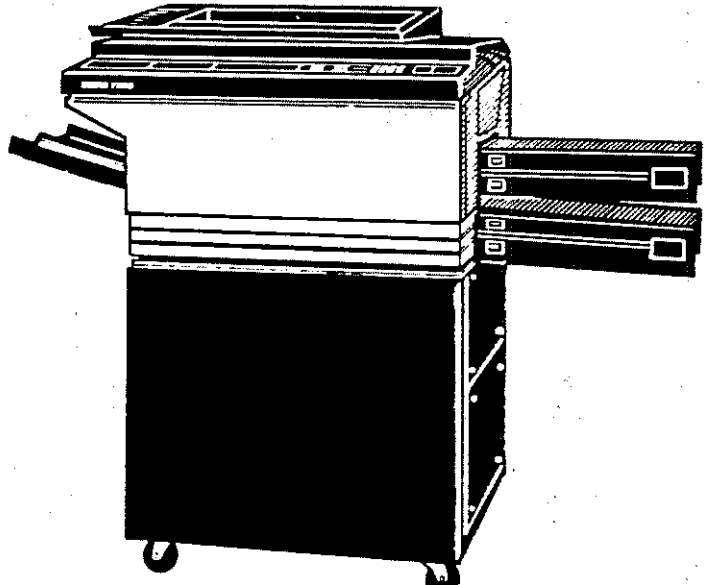
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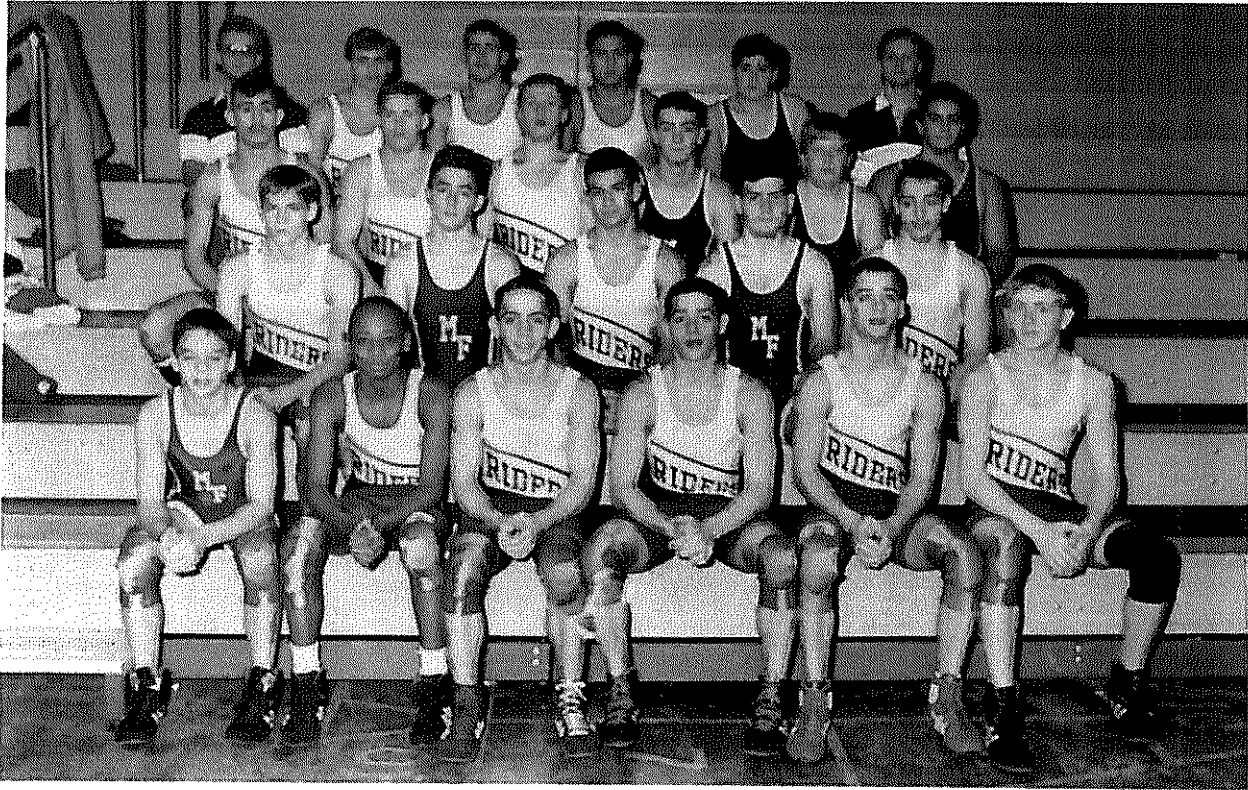
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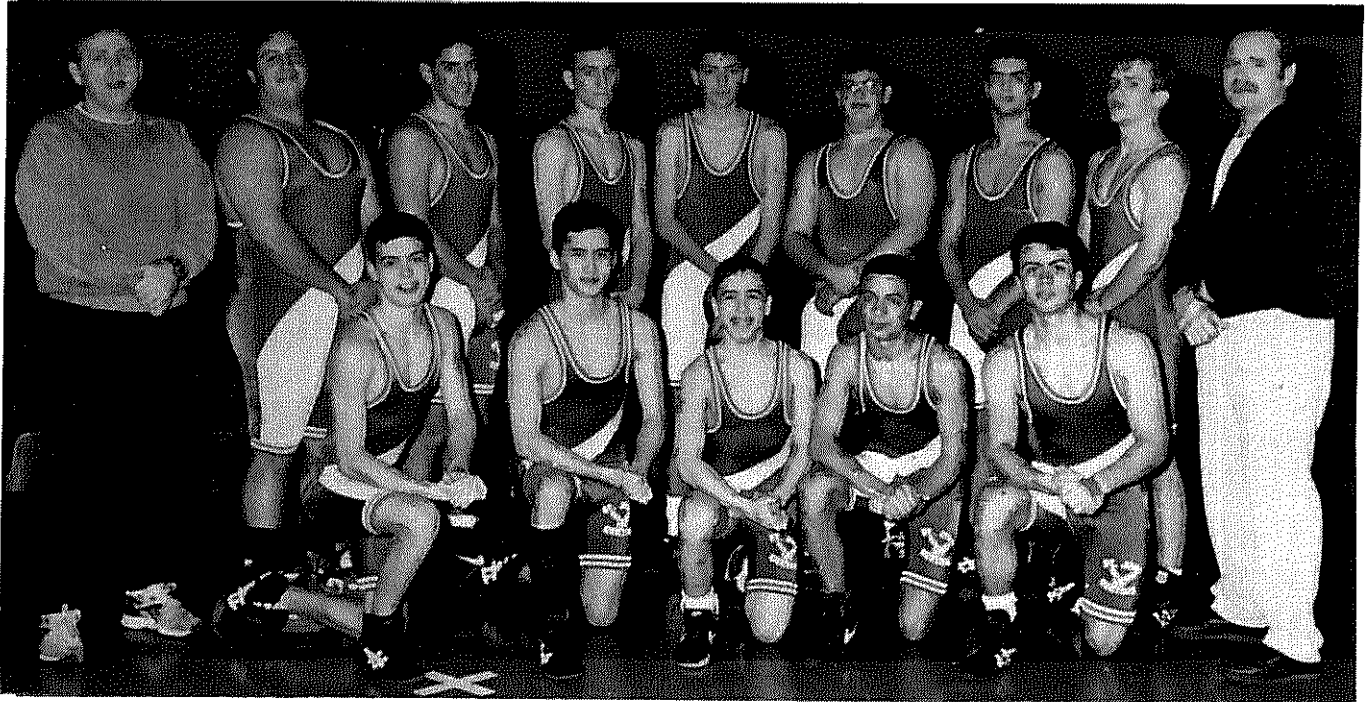


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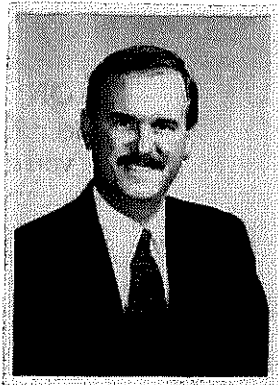


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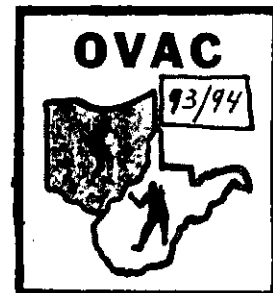
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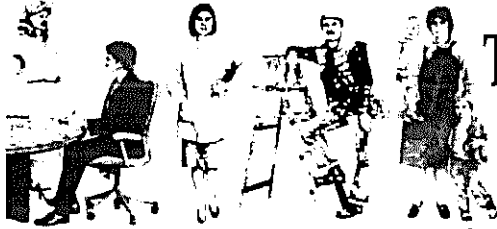
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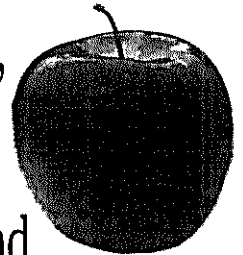
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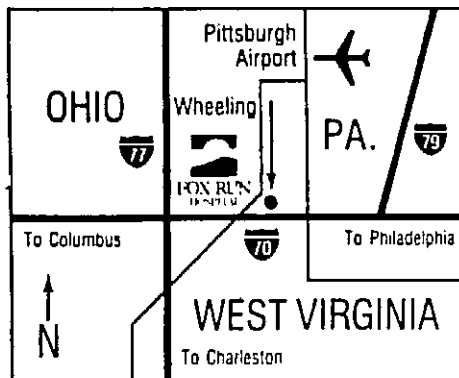
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