

Forty-Eighth Annual
Ohio Valley Athletic Conference
WRESTLING TOURNAMENT

The Largest Conference Tournament in the United States

Wheeling Civic Center
Wheeling, West Virginia
Thursday-Friday-Saturday
January 18 - 19 - 20, 2001

Bill Valko



Dedicated and Loyal

.....
: **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,

Nick Sparachane, Mayor
Robert “Herk” Henry
Mike Nau
Larry “Babe” Schmitt
Vernon Seals
Cliff Sligar
Barry Crow





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.

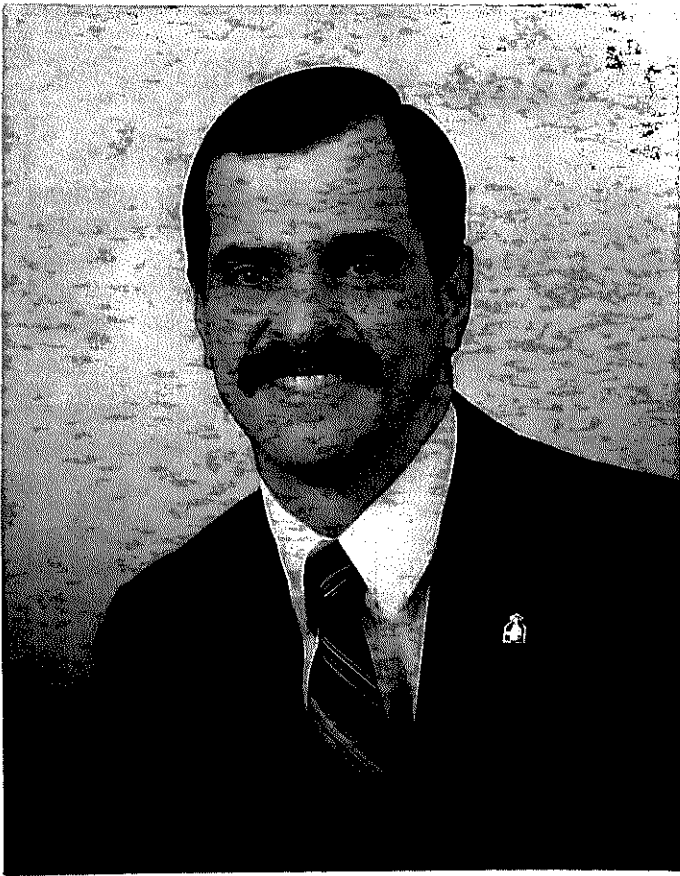
From its meager and uncertain start in 1954, the OVAC Wrestling Tournament has grown into one of the major sports attractions in the Ohio Valley.

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. Warren Grace

2001 OVAC President



I am very proud to be the Director of the Forty-Eighth Annual OVAC Wrestling Tournament. I began directing the event in 1979 when it was first conducted in the Wheeling Civic Center. Throughout the last 47 years, many memorable milestones have taken place. Allow me to share them with you.

During the spring of 1970, we lost a phenomenal wrestler, David Bierkorte, to an untimely accident. Because of his athletic prowess, the Wheeling Central Catholic High School Boosters Club initiated the "David Bierkorte Award" for the outstanding wrestler in 1971.

The Wheeling Civic Center Manager in 1979 was Frank Rodriguez. Frank had a great deal of respect for the dedicated efforts of those involved with OVAC wrestling, and was instrumental in purchasing the world-class time clocks you now see by matside during the competition. Presently, we are blessed with Dennis Magruder, who has given us the same positive support, along with the entire Civic Center staff.

In 1980, OVAC wrestling initiated the first "George Kovalick Scholarship." Two years later, Bob and Dolores Burke lost their son Danny, a Wheeling Park wrestler, to a tragic traffic accident. Out of their love for him, the "Daniel M. Burke Wrestling Scholarship" was instituted in 1983. Most recently, we lost a fantastic wrestling enthusiast in 1996 from Marshall County affectionately known as "Dead Eye" Morris. His devoted family established the "James H. Morris Sportsmanship Scholarship" in 1997 out of his love for the mat sport.

So, we now have three permanently installed scholarship funds that over the years have afforded 41 deserving OVAC wrestlers an amazing \$41,000.00 in college scholarships.

In 1999 there was a unique change in the tournament format which promotes OVAC wrestling even further throughout the Valley. The championship finals are now being televised live by WTOV-9 for all viewers in the entire area to enjoy. I want to thank everyone of the workers, coaches, officials, and wrestlers. They are the people who make the annual OVAC Wrestling Tournament a truly grand adventure for Ohio Valley athletics.

Ron Mauck

Tournament Director

OVAC Wrestling Tournament



★★★★ William "Bill" Valko ★★★★★



Bill grew up in Brownsville, PA where his prowess on the gridiron earned him a scholarship to West Virginia University.

His college career was interrupted when he was called to service in the U.S. Army's - 82nd Airborne Division.

After fulfilling his military commitment, he returned to college where he earned his degree in education at Morris Harvey . . . now known as The University of Charleston.

He began, at Wayne High School, what was to become a long career in education, where he taught history and physical education. Additionally, he coached football and initiated their wrestling program.

He moved on to Jackson Jr. High in Vienna, WV where he coached both football and basketball.

After taking his Masters Degree in Guidance Counseling from West Virginia University, he settled in as Guidance Counselor at John Marshall High School for the next twenty years, while also serving as an assistant football coach.

Bill handled the duties of maintaining the wrestling scorebook for John Marshall from '69 through '82. Simultaneously, he was in charge of the head table for all high school tournaments held at the Moundsville Fieldhouse. In addition to the O.V.A.C., he has served as a head table worker at high school regional qualifiers, the West Virginia State Wrestling Tournament ... when it was held at Moundsville ... and a N.A.I.A. National Tournament.

He has maintained a zealous commitment to O.V.A.C. Wrestling and its annual tournament, by working the head table consistently since '69, as it has moved progressively from Moundsville following the '75 season, on to Steubenville from '76 through '78 and finally to its present home at the Wheeling Civic Center for the past 22 years.

High praise comes from his former teaching colleague and wrestling coach at John Marshall High, Bill Hinegardner, also "Mr. Mat" of '84 and the long-time Asst. Director for O.V.A.C. Wrestling, when he said, "Bill Valko has been a giant asset to wrestling in the Ohio Valley."

O.V.A.C. Director of Wrestling, Ron Mauck, in reflecting on Bill's tenure with the tournament offers the following:

"As one scans the head table at the O.V.A.C. Wrestling Tournament you may identify many of those working as having gray hair, receding hair lines, wearing glasses and moving at a considerably slower pace up and down the steps leading to the head table.

You see, most of the folks who work at the head table ... as well as in other areas of the tournament ... have all played continuing key roles in the tremendous success of the OVAC Tournament, since its arrival at the Wheeling Civic Center in January of 1979.

One of our friends, who we fondly call "The Senator", Bill Valko, fits this description. It is in recognition of his enduring commitment that we proudly dedicate the 48th Annual Wrestling Tournament Program in his honor.

Bill does not move as fast as he did when he first arrived at the Civic Center in '79, but his contributions have been many and his unique wit has been enjoyed by all.

As Tournament Director, my greatest reward is the opportunity to meet people like Bill Valko, who are very unselfish and are willing to give of themselves to the sport of wrestling."

Although Bill now walks with a cane, he remains dedicated to physical fitness by daily swimming greater distances than many of us walk.

Bill resides in Glendale with his wife of 48 years, Fran. They are the parents of two (2) daughters, Karen Slonaker and Jennifer Valko and grandparents to three (3).

School at Reynolds Memorial Hospital and is a member of the Benwood Post of the American Legion.

Bill Valko is truly "A Man for All Reasons".

48th Annual OVAC Wrestling Tournament Schedule 2001 Meet Sessions

First Session - Thursday January 18 - 6:00 PM
8 MATS

Second Session - Friday January 19 - 11:00 AM
8 MATS

Third Session - Friday January 19 - 6:00 PM
8 MATS

Fourth Session - Saturday January 20 - 12:00 NOON
4 MATS

Semi-Finals and 5th Round Semi-Final Consolations

Fifth Session - Saturday January 20 - 6:00 PM
Introductions/Ceremonies

CHAMPIONSHIP WRESTLING - 6:30 PM
4 MATS

(Vying for 1st, 3rd, 5th, & 7th Place)

2001 OVAC WRESTLING OFFICIALS

| | | | |
|----------------|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Rick Camiletti | Follansbee, WV | John "Doc" Holliday | New Martinsville, WV |
| Paul Coffland | Cadiz, OH | Steve Kish | Nashport, OH |
| Lew Coffland | Cadiz, OH | Steve Long | Dayton, OH |
| Jim Copney | Wheeling, WV | Ray Marling | Martins Ferry, OH |
| Jim Crosier | Barnesville, OH | Kenny McWilliams | Cannonsburg, PA |
| Rick Crosier | Steubenville, OH | Jack Regis | Martins Ferry, OH |
| Shawn Crosier | Steubenville, OH | Rick Spencer | Cambridge, OH |
| Larry Deaton | Martins Ferry, OH | Mike Stallnecker | Fairmont, WV |

Dr. Vincent Matteucci - Lakewood, Ohio - Public Relations

Wrestling Rules Interpreters:

Dr. William "Bill" Welker - State of West Virginia - Wheeling, WV

The success of the OVAC Wrestling Tournament is largely a tribute to the expertise and efficiency of the Wheeling Civic Center Staff, under the direction of Civic Center Manager, Dennis Magruder; Kevin McBride of Food Service and the unexcelled cooperation of all their employees.

ADMISSION

| | <u>Adult</u> | <u>Student</u> |
|--------------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Single Session (1st Thru 4th) | \$5.00 | \$3.00 |
| Advanced Sale (5 Session Book) | \$20.00 | \$10.00 |
| Single Session (Finals) | \$7.00 | \$4.00 |

O.V.A.C. Wrestling

Thursday Night

Opening Ceremonies

JANUARY 18, 2001

SESSION I

- 4:00-5:00 p.m.** Weigh-ins (Scales donated by Ohio Valley Scales)
5:05 p.m. Coach's meeting and scratch schedule
5:30-5:55 p.m. Warm up on mats

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|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 5:30-5:45 | 5:35-5:40 | 5:40-5:45 |
| 1. Barnesville | 8. Caldwell | 15. Indian Creek |
| 2. Beallsville | 9. Cambridge | 16. John Marshall |
| 3. Beaver Local | 10. Cameron | 17. Linsly |
| 4. Bellaire | 11. Connotton Valley | 18. Magnolia |
| 5. Bridgeport | 12. East Liverpool | 19. Martins Ferry |
| 6. Brooke | 13. Edison | 20. Meadowbrook |
| 7. Buckeye Local | 14. Harrison Central | 21. Monroe Central |
| 5:45-5:50 | 5:50-5:55 | |
| 22. Oak Glen | 29. Steubenville Central | |
| 23. River | 30. Tyler Consolidated | |
| 24. Shadyside | 31. Union Local | |
| 25. Shenandoah | 32. Weirton | |
| 26. St. Clairsville | 33. Weirton Madonna | |
| 27. St. John's | 34. Wellsville | |
| 28. Steubenville | 35. Wheeling Central | |
| | 36. Wheeling Park | |

- 6:00-6:15 p.m.** Team procession
6:15 p.m. Prayer
6:17 p.m. National Anthem
6:20 p.m. Team Recession exit to Olympic theme
6:25 p.m. Assistant Wrestling Coach of the Year Award
6:27 p.m. Junior High School Coach of the Year Award
6:30 p.m. Sidney A. "Sid" Stoltz memorial Award
6:32 p.m. James H. "Dead Eye" Morris Sportsmanship Award
6:35 p.m. Announce on deck wrestlers

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2001

SESSION II

10:30 AM Wrestlers Warm-up
10:55 AM Wrestlers leave mat area
11:00 AM National Anthem
11:03 AM Announce on deck wrestlers

SESSION III

5:30 PM Wrestlers Warm-up
5:55 PM Wrestlers leave mat area
6:00 PM National Anthem
6:05 PM Special Award Presenters:
Dick Edge and Dave Kovalick
6:10 PM Announce on deck wrestlers

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 2001

SESSION IV

11:30 AM Wrestlers Warm-up
11:55 AM Wrestlers leave mat area
12:00 AM National Anthem

SESSION V

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| 6:00 PM INTRODUCTION | 103 |
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| Ron Mauck, Tournament Director | 119 |
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| Mark George, Operations Director of Civic Center | 130 |
| Doug Campbell, Assistant Direct of Civic Center | 135 |
| Jim Edge, Food Service | 140 |
| Coca-Cola Enterprise, Houston, Pa. | 145 |
| Tim McCoy, General Manager WTOV-TV | 152 |
| Keith Murdock, Trinity Health Systems | 160 |
| Jim Smith, Pepsi | 171 |
| Jim Stein, Health Plan Upper Ohio Valley | 189 |
| Ed McCauley, Zone Manager Kroger Company | 215 |
| Dr. Mike Kovalik, Ohio Valley Medical Center | 275 |
| Dr. Nick Ghaphery | |
| All Tournament workers and staff | |
| 6:05 PM Introduction of Past Champions 1975 | |
| Steve Kish, Supt. Martins Ferry Schools | |
| 6:15 PM Parade of Champions | |
| 6:20 PM Singing of our National Anthem, | |
| Miss Susan Suriano | |
| Senior from Martins Ferry High School | |
| 6:25 PM Announcement of Mr. Mat "00" | |
| by Tournament Director, Ron Mauck | |
| 6:25 PM Parade of Champions Exit | |
| 6:30 PM Championship Matches | |

ALL WEIGHT CLASS PLACERS
WILL RECEIVE THEIR INDIVIDUAL AWARDS
FROM THEIR RESPECTIVE COACHES
AS PRESENTED BY
TOM RATAICZAK, OVAC EXEC. SECRETARY
ED MCCAULEY, KROGER COMPANY
TIM MCCOY, WTOV-TV
JIM SMITH, PEPSI
JIM STEIN, HEALTH PLAN OF UPPER OHIO VALLEY

"A" RUNNER-UP
Presented by Dave Kovalick, Mr. Mat 1988

"A" CHAMPION
Presented by Gary Davis, Mr. Mat 1997

"AA" RUNNER-UP
Presented by Dr. Vince Monseau, Mr. Mat 1983

"AA" CHAMPION
Presented by John Stephenson, Mr. Mat 1993

"AAA" RUNNER-UP
Presented by John Vrotsos, Mr. Mat 1978

"AAA" CHAMPION
Presented by Larry Deaton, Mr. Mat 1992

"AAAA" RUNNER-UP
Presented by Dick Edge, Mr. Mat, 1979

"AAAA" CHAMPION
Presented by Tom Lackman, Mr. Mat, 1999

MOST VALUABLE WRESTLER
Dave Bierkorte Award Winner



"SERVING THE YOUTH OF THE UPPER OHIO VALLEY"

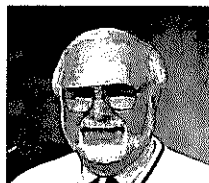
2000 - 2001 OVAC EXECUTIVE BOARD



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OVAC Board Member
Paden City



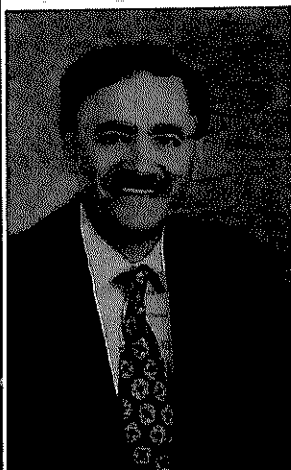
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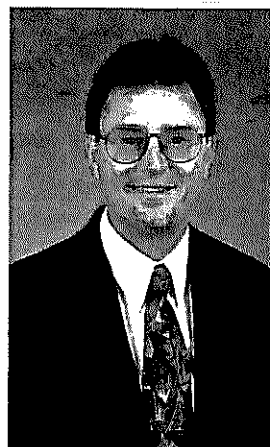
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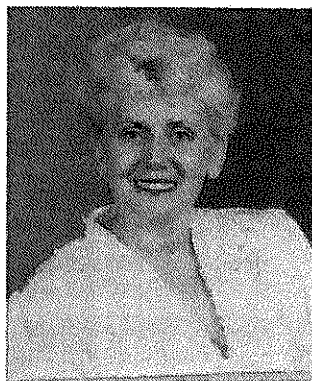
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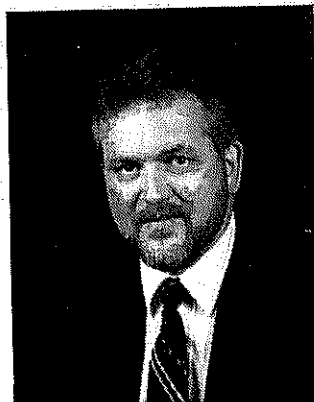
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OVAC
Basketball Commissioner

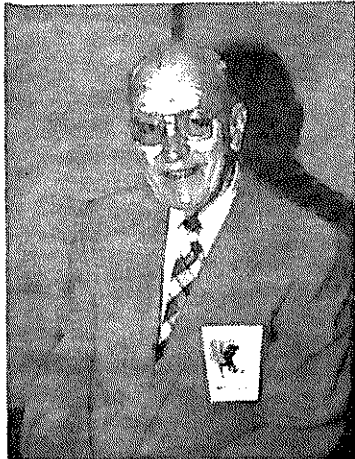


DON ZINNI
OVAC
Football Commissioner

MR. MAT AWARD • 1976 — 1982



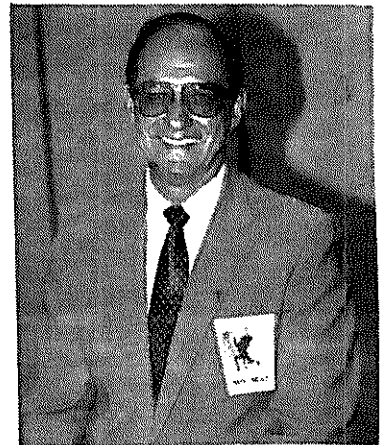
1976: GEORGE KOVALICK
Bellaire Athletic Director



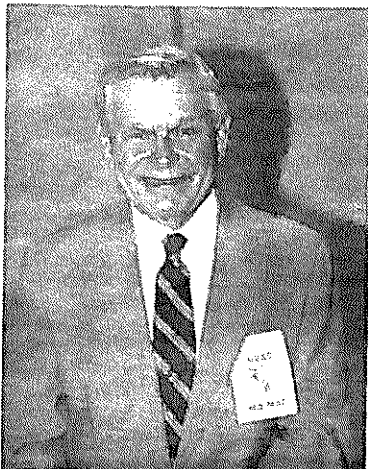
1977: BILL VAN HORNE
Sports Editor, Wheeling New Register



1978: JOHN VROTSOS
Martins Ferry High School



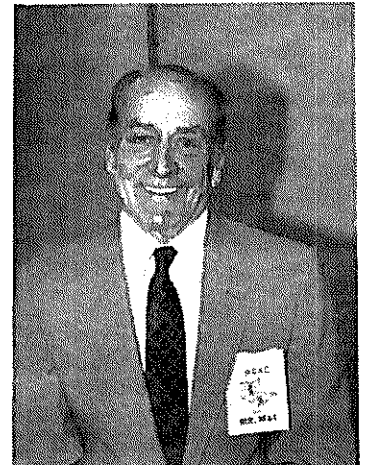
1979: RICHARD EDGE
Principal, Springfield High



1980: GEORGE WALLY
John Marshall Athletic Director



1981: BOB HEDMOND
Steubenville Athletic Director



1982: PAUL CRAGO
Marshall County Schools

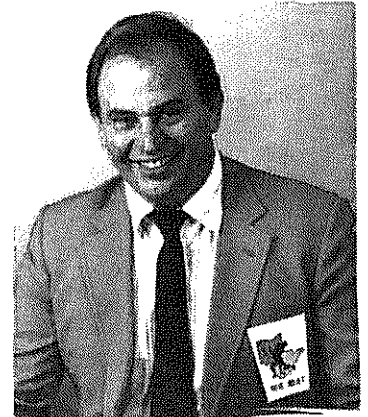
MR. MAT AWARD • 1983 — 1991



1983: DR. VINCENT MONSEAU
West Liberty State College



1984: BILL HINEGARDNER
John Marshall High School



1985: DENNIS BOWMAN
Bellaire High School



1986: RONALD MAUCK
Brooke High School



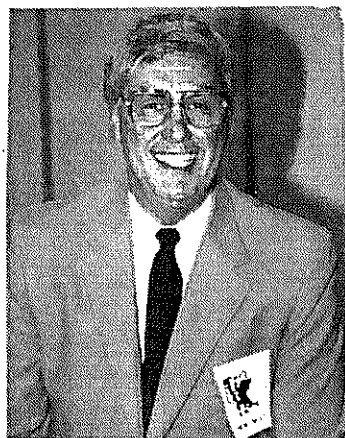
1987: ERIC CARDER
Wheeling Park Athletic Director



1988: DAVE KOVALICK
Barnesville High School



1989: STEVE KISH
Principal, Bellaire High School



1990: CARL FODOR
Hancock County Schools



1991: DR. WILLIAM WELKER
Warwood Middle School

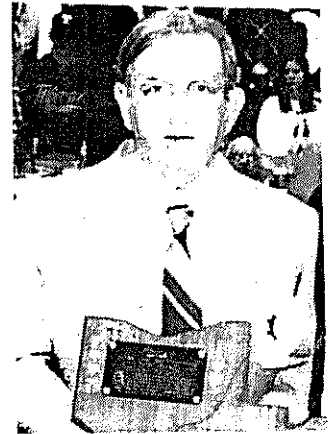
MR. MAT AWARD • 1992 — 2000



1992: LARRY DEATON
Martins Ferry



1993: JOHN STEPHENSON
Cadiz High School



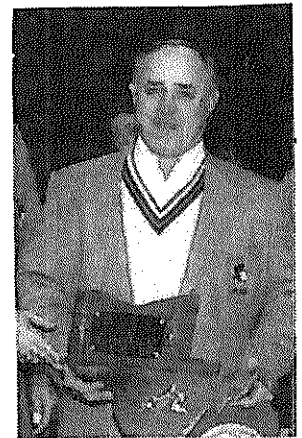
1994: JOE BATES
Woodsfield High School



1995: BOB BRUNEY
Martins Ferry High School



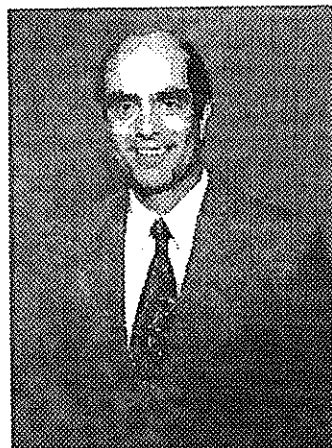
1996: LARRY CHAMBERS
Moundsville Jr. High School



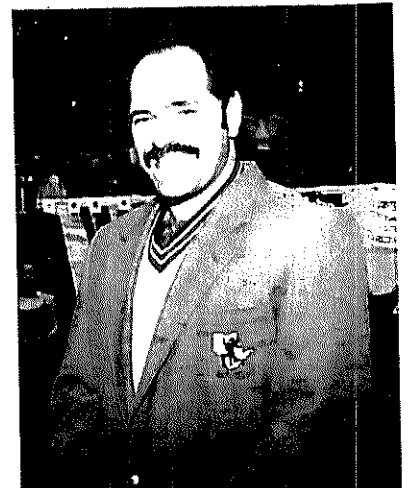
1997: GARY DAVIS
Beallsville High School



1998: CAL POKAS
Martins Ferry Times Leader



1999: TOM LACKMAN
Jefferson Union



2000: ED "BUZZ" EVANS
Wheeling Park High School

OVAC OVERALL

Tournament Champions

1954-2000

| | | |
|------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1954 | Bridgeport High School | George Kovalick |
| 1955 | Bridgeport High School | George Kovalick |
| 1956 | Bridgeport High School | George Kovalick |
| 1957 | Bridgeport High School | George Kovalick |
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| 1959 | Bridgeport High School | George Kovalick |
| 1960 | Bridgeport High School | George Kovalick |
| 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 |
| 1994 | Wheeling Park High School | Buzz Evans |
| 1995 | Steubenville High School | Rick Camellitti |
| 1996 | Buckeye Local High School | Dan Doyle |
| 1997 | Buckeye Local High School | Dan Doyle |
| 1998 | Martins Ferry High School | Jeff Oberdick |
| 1999 | Martins Ferry High School | Jeff Oberdick |
| 2000 | East Liverpool High School | Scott Hiemstra |

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WEIGHT CLASS RESULTS

103 POUNDS

| RESULTS | WRESTLER | GRADE | SCHOOL | DIV. | PLACE |
|-----------|-------------------|-------|----------------------|------|-------|
| 10-3 | Nathan Kendjorsky | 11 | Buckeye Local | AAAA | 1 |
| | Derek Maple | 11 | Edison | AAAA | 2 |
| 3-0 | Jeremy Cowan | 10 | East Liverpool | AAAA | 3 |
| | Zach Zubay | 12 | Oak Glen | AAA | 4 |
| Fall 2-10 | Mike Jones | 10 | Martins Ferry | AAA | 5 |
| | Josh Pempek | 12 | St. Clairsville | AAA | 6 |
| Fall 2:03 | Ryan Gallagher | 11 | Barnesville | AA | 7 |
| | Dave Skiviat | 11 | Steubenville Central | AA | 8 |

112 POUNDS

| RESULTS | WRESTLER | GRADE | SCHOOL | DIV. | PLACE |
|---------|---------------|-------|---------------|------|-------|
| 3-2 | Nic Rossiter | 11 | Cadiz | AAA | 1 |
| | John Tierney | 10 | Martins Ferry | AAA | 2 |
| 11-5 | Josh Francis | 12 | Barnesville | AA | 3 |
| | David Jack | 9 | Shadyside | A | 4 |
| 6-4 OT | Jared Koos | 11 | Indian Creek | AAA | 5 |
| | Lucas Huffman | 9 | River | AA | 6 |
| 13-0 | Adam Kennedy | 10 | Wheeling Park | AAAA | 7 |
| | Todd Casey | 11 | Meadowbrook | AAA | 8 |

119 POUNDS

| RESULTS | WRESTLER | GRADE | SCHOOL | DIV. | PLACE |
|-----------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|------|-------|
| 6-0 | Cole Bowersock | 11 | Beaver Local | AAA | 1 |
| | David Tierney | 10 | Martins Ferry | AAA | 2 |
| Fall 2:12 | Jarrod Anderson | 9 | Barnesville | AA | 3 |
| | Jake Fitch | 12 | East Liverpool | AAAA | 4 |
| Forfeit | Chad Rogers | 11 | Brooke | AAAA | 5 |
| | Tucker Brown | 10 | Cameron | A | 6 |
| Disq. | Scott Conrath | 11 | St. Clairsville | AAA | 7 |
| | Joel Ray | 9 | Edison | AAAA | 8 |

125 POUNDS

| RESULTS | WRESTLER | GRADE | SCHOOL | DIV. | PLACE |
|---------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|------|-------|
| 11-6 | Micah Jordan | 12 | East Liverpool | AAAA | 1 |
| | Mark Evans | 12 | Wheeling Park | AAAA | 2 |
| 3-1 | Tyler Hughes | 11 | Cameron | A | 3 |
| | Derek Roth | 10 | Martins Ferry | AAA | 4 |
| 16-4 | Billy Barath | 10 | St. Clairsville | AAA | 5 |
| | Corey Dornon | 11 | Beallsville | A | 6 |
| 6-5 | Kyle Eckleberry | 11 | Oak Glen | AAA | 7 |
| | Jared Hoppel | 9 | Beaver Local | AAA | 8 |

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130 POUNDS

| RESULTS | WRESTLER | GRADE | SCHOOL | DIV. | PLACE |
|---------|------------------|-------|--------------------|------|-------|
| 6-4 OT | Roger Kupfer | 10 | Cameron | A | 1 |
| | Eric Noel | 11 | Oak Glen | AAA | 2 |
| 8-6 OT | Derek Kennedy | 11 | Wheeling Park | AAAA | 3 |
| | John Bowers | 12 | Beallsville | A | 4 |
| 11-5 | Jonathan O'Grady | 12 | Shadyside | A | 5 |
| | Jon Varner | 10 | East Liverpool | AAAA | 6 |
| 5-4 | John Jefferis | 10 | Barnesville | AA | 7 |
| | Chad Snider | 10 | Tyler Consolidated | AAA | 8 |

135 POUNDS

| RESULTS | WRESTLER | GRADE | SCHOOL | DIV. | PLACE |
|-----------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|------|-------|
| Fall 2:57 | Aaron Westover | 12 | Beaver Local | AAA | 1 |
| | Bob Mayhugh | 11 | Martins Ferry | AAA | 2 |
| 9-5 | John Prokapakis | 10 | Edison | AAAA | 3 |
| | Joel Sansone | 12 | St. Clairsville | AAA | 4 |
| 8-3 | Gaelen Lowers | 11 | Oak Glen | AAA | 5 |
| | Jim Crumbley | 11 | East Liverpool | AAAA | 6 |
| 10-1 | Josh Moore | 11 | Wheeling Park | AAAA | 7 |
| | Percy McGhee | 11 | Bellaire | AAA | 8 |

140 POUNDS

| RESULTS | WRESTLER | GRADE | SCHOOL | DIV. | PLACE |
|---------|---------------|-------|-----------------|------|-------|
| 3-1 | Greg Ware | 12 | Martins Ferry | AAA | 1 |
| | Jeremy Ghrist | 11 | East Liverpool | AAAA | 2 |
| 5-3 | Adam Yudasz | 11 | St. Clairsville | AAA | 3 |
| | Jeb Banovsky | 12 | Edison | AAAA | 4 |
| Forfeit | Nate Smith | 11 | Beaver Local | AAA | 5 |
| | Logan Glass | 12 | Oak Glen | AAA | 6 |
| 9-3 | Luke Kopyar | 12 | St. John | A | 7 |
| | Jason Clary | 12 | Beallsville | A | 8 |

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WEIGHT CLASS RESULTS

145 POUNDS

| RESULTS | WRESTLER | GRADE | SCHOOL | DIV. | PLACE |
|-----------|----------------|-------|----------------|------|-------|
| T.F. 5:59 | Scott Roth | 12 | Martins Ferry | AAA | 1 |
| | Jeff Hughes | 12 | Cameron | A | 2 |
| 9-4 | Jonathan Davia | 12 | Union Local | AAA | 3 |
| | Matt Wukelich | 12 | Shenandoah | AA | 4 |
| 8-6 | Derek Vargo | 12 | Buckeye Local | AAAA | 5 |
| | James Parr | 12 | Shadyside | A | 6 |
| 5-2 | Chris Poole | 12 | Oak Glen | AAA | 7 |
| | Joe Earich | 11 | East Liverpool | AAAA | 8 |

152 POUNDS

| RESULTS | WRESTLER | GRADE | SCHOOL | DIV. | PLACE |
|---------|-----------------|-------|----------------|------|-------|
| 7-1 | Derek Koch | 12 | St. John | A | 1 |
| | Matt Holdsworth | 12 | Oak Glen | AAA | 2 |
| 8-4 | Kurt Glasser | 11 | Shadyside | A | 3 |
| | Chris Taylor | 10 | John Marshall | AAAA | 4 |
| 4-2 | Terry Rashad | 11 | Indian Creek | AAA | 5 |
| | Guy Nestor | 11 | Buckeye Local | AAAA | 6 |
| 8-2 | Jason Bogart | 12 | East Liverpool | AAAA | 7 |
| | Mike Wheatley | 11 | Cambridge | AAAA | 8 |

160 POUNDS

| RESULTS | WRESTLER | GRADE | SCHOOL | DIV. | PLACE |
|-----------|------------------|-------|--------------|------|-------|
| 4-3 | Ethan Birden | 12 | Steubenville | AAAA | 1 |
| | Daniel Koch | 12 | St. John | A | 2 |
| Fall 4-20 | Justin Jefferies | 10 | Barnesville | AA | 3 |
| | Wyatt O'Neil | 11 | Cameron | A | 4 |
| 8-2 | John Haynes | | Bellaire | AAA | 5 |
| | Troy Milhoan | 12 | Meadowbrook | AAA | 6 |
| 5-3 | Dan Moore | 11 | Beaver Local | AAA | 7 |
| | Trevor Cooper | 11 | Indian Creek | AAA | 8 |

171 POUNDS

| RESULTS | WRESTLER | GRADE | SCHOOL | DIV. | PLACE |
|---------|------------------|-------|----------------|------|-------|
| 5-0 | Mike Davis | 12 | Union Local | AAA | 1 |
| | Zack Powell | 11 | Barnesville | AA | 2 |
| 5-1 | Scott Schael | 12 | Buckeye Local | AAAA | 3 |
| | Vince Magnone | 10 | Weir | AAA | 4 |
| 16-7 | Roger Richardson | 11 | Steubenville | AAAA | 5 |
| | Matt Schoolcraft | 11 | East Liverpool | AAAA | 6 |
| 5-0 | Ronnie Herbeck | 10 | Oak Glen | AAA | 7 |
| | Chris Wood | 12 | Cameron | A | 8 |

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189 POUNDS

| RESULTS | WRESTLER | GRADE | SCHOOL | DIV. | PLACE |
|-----------|------------------|-------|----------------|------|-------|
| 3-2 | Adam Beranek | 12 | Buckeye Local | AAAA | 1 |
| | Philip Bellville | 11 | Oak Glen | AAA | 2 |
| Fall 3:46 | Justin Willis | 12 | Shenandoah | AA | 3 |
| | Josh Stansbury | 9 | East Liverpool | AAAA | 4 |
| 6-4 OT | Mark Snider | 12 | Steubenville | AAAA | 5 |
| | Nick Sulek | 12 | Bellaire | AAA | 6 |
| 14-9 | Brad Dimmerling | 12 | Monroe Central | AA | 7 |
| | George Padgelek | 11 | Martins Ferry | AAA | 8 |

215 POUNDS

| RESULTS | WRESTLER | GRADE | SCHOOL | DIV. | PLACE |
|---------|----------------|-------|----------------------|------|-------|
| 2-1 OT | Steve Ochap | 12 | Wheeling Park | AAAA | 1 |
| | John Jones | 12 | Steubenville | AAAA | 2 |
| 8-5 | Nate Brown | 12 | Beaver Local | AAA | 3 |
| | Robert Busick | 12 | Weir | AAAA | 4 |
| 8-5 | Chris King | 10 | Indian Creek | AAA | 5 |
| | Pete Polverini | | Steubenville Central | AA | 6 |
| 9-7 OT | John Wells | 10 | John Marshall | AAAA | 7 |
| | Kevin King | 12 | Cambridge | AAAA | 8 |

275 POUNDS

| RESULTS | WRESTLER | GRADE | SCHOOL | DIV. | PLACE |
|---------|----------------|-------|------------------|------|-------|
| 2-1 OT | Rick Prescott | 12 | Beaver Local | AAA | 1 |
| | Tom Redman | 11 | East Liverpool | AAAA | 2 |
| 6-2 | Justin Lucas | 12 | Barnesville | AA | 3 |
| | Mike Findling | 12 | Brooke | AAAA | 4 |
| 2-1 | Chad Brindley | 12 | St. John | A | 5 |
| | Tony Carothers | 9 | Harrison Central | AAA | 6 |
| Default | Joe Yanok | 12 | Steubenville | AAAA | 7 |
| | Charles Fisher | 12 | Wellsville | AA | 8 |

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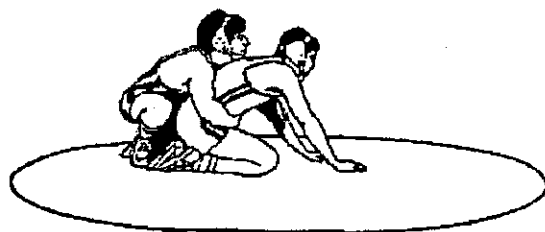
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Worshrag's Nemesis

By Fred Miller

Let me tell you the story of Worshrag's nemesis.

You know what a nemesis is: an arch-enemy. In wrestling, your nemesis is the unbeatable opponent, the No. 1 seed who's always in your bracket, always paired against you in a dual, always standing confidently, tauntingly, between you and success.

In his first year of peewee wrestling, my son Worshrag (this is back when we called him "Little" Worshrag) weighed 65 pounds, which in the 6-and-under division is a heavyweight. Worsh had a terrific rookie season, beating nearly every little heavyweight he ran into - except for one kid from East Liverpool.

The Nemesis had short, tree-trunk legs, an incredibly long torso, a big butt and long, muscular arms. These physical attributes gave him a center of gravity like the planet Jupiter and the leverage of a two-ton floor jack. On top of his physicality The Nemesis, at age six already had three years' experience. I didn't wrestle until I was a sophomore in high school. My whole wrestling career was three years.

The Nemesis seemed to be at every scrimmage and at every tournament, dooming Worshrag to a second-place season. His specialty was the cowboy, a nasty standing front headlock and throw which, if done successfully, results in both a takedown and back points, if not a fall.

"He's going to cowboy you," I'd remind Worshrag before the match. "Don't let him do it. Duck under it. Sag back and take the legs. If he does get it, roll through."

Worsh would nod understanding and trot gamely onto the mat. Five seconds later he had been thrown and trussed like the calf in a calf-roping contest. He'd lie there stunned a couple of seconds, then struggle to his feet, shake hands and stumble back to Dad, fighting sobs and tears.

As the season progressed Worshrag lasted farther into the matches with his foe, and once even scored first on a takedown. Then he came to his senses and lost like he believed he was supposed to. By then it had become a mental thing. The Nemesis was going to win because he always won and Worshrag was going to lose because he always lost.

I fretted about Worshrag's future in wrestling. What if his nemesis grow at the same rate and they remained in the same age and weight classes, year in and year out? I believed Worsh could beat him, but Worsh didn't. Would my son rise to the challenge or be beaten by it? Would they grow at different rates and end up in different weight classes? Would his family move away?

None of those things happened. The Nemesis disappeared. He quit wrestling.

Over the next three years Worshrag enjoyed a measure of success on the mat, becoming a steady if not spectacular performer in the upper weight classes. He won his share of tournaments, lost some heartbreakers, and on occasion was humbled when he ran into a quality opponent. Perhaps - and this is a proud Dad talking - he even became The Nemesis to some other wrestlers.

But there was never another nemesis for him, never that one wrestler perpetually blocking his path to success.

Then one day last season I went to a coaches' meeting to pair wrestlers for a routine scrimmage. There on the East Liverpool roster was a familiar name. The Nemesis was back.

He was a few pounds lighter than Worshrag, but close enough for a scrimmage match. He couldn't be any good after a three-year layoff, could he? I am ashamed to admit how badly I wanted that match. I told myself I wanted it for Worshrag, to erase the lingering doubts, to get the monkey off his back, but truthfully I wanted it more for myself. Three years is an eternity for a kid. He barely remembered and didn't much care. The only monkey was the one chafing my butt.

I've seen other fathers behave the way I was behaving, like pit bull owners clamoring for blood sport, all the while knowing it isn't them who have to do the fighting.

The Nemesis scratched from the East Liverpool scrimmage, but he showed up at one a few weeks later at Hopewell, and the match was made. I was practically hyperventilating as the time approached. Was the kid still a good wrestler? Was he still relying on the cowboy? Would Worshrag fall back into the "I'll never beat him" mindset? Would he be able to overcome it?

The answer to all those questions was "yes".

After a three year layoff The Nemesis wrestled remarkably well. He also still relied on the cowboy and was good at it. Worshrag was tentative. He did remember his old foe after all, and obviously was afraid of him. He wrestled without confidence. The Nemesis cowboied him, just like old times.

Worsh managed an escape in the second period to make the score 2-1.

In the third period Worsh was gaining confidence, but time was running out. I could see he realized he could beat this kid. They were on their feet. A couple of times Worshrag nearly got the takedown but his opponent, tiring, scooted out of bounds. Suddenly The Nemesis went back to what he knew best. Seizing an opening, he locked Worsh's head solidly and turned his body to make the cowboy throw across the hips. But this time Worsh sagged back and took the legs. The Nemesis had an armful of nuthin'. Worshrag had the takedown and the match.

The Nemesis disappeared again shortly afterwards. I heard through the grapevine something about him never making it to practice. I've seen it too many times: good wrestlers quitting for reasons that have little to do with wrestling. Sometimes it's grades, sometimes interest in other sports, sometimes family problems, sometimes who knows what.

Maybe he'll return someday, and maybe even wrestle Worshrag again. But he's not The Nemesis anymore, and I don't think he ever will be again.

Miller is a freelance writer, Director of Community Relations at East Liverpool City Hospital and a 1968 OVAC Wrestling Champion from Oak Glen High School.

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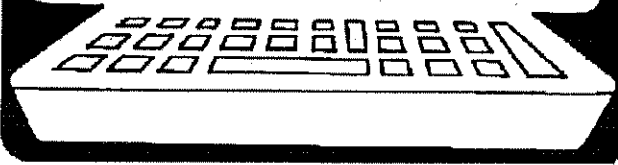
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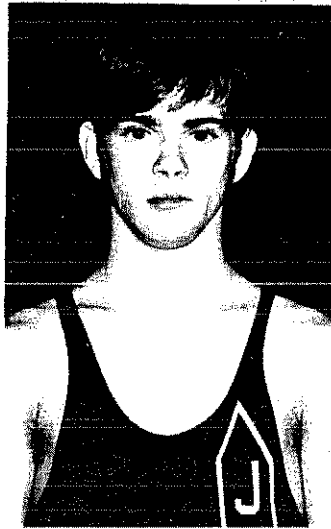
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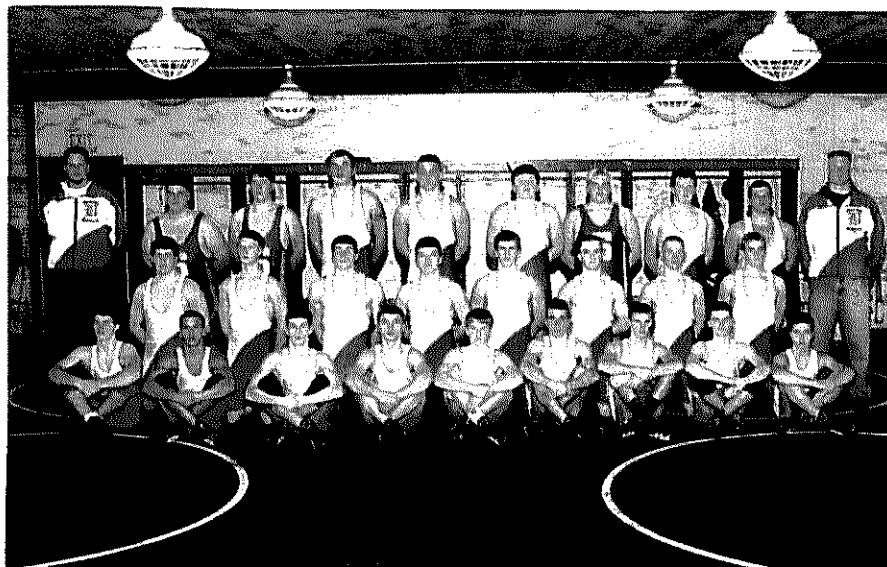
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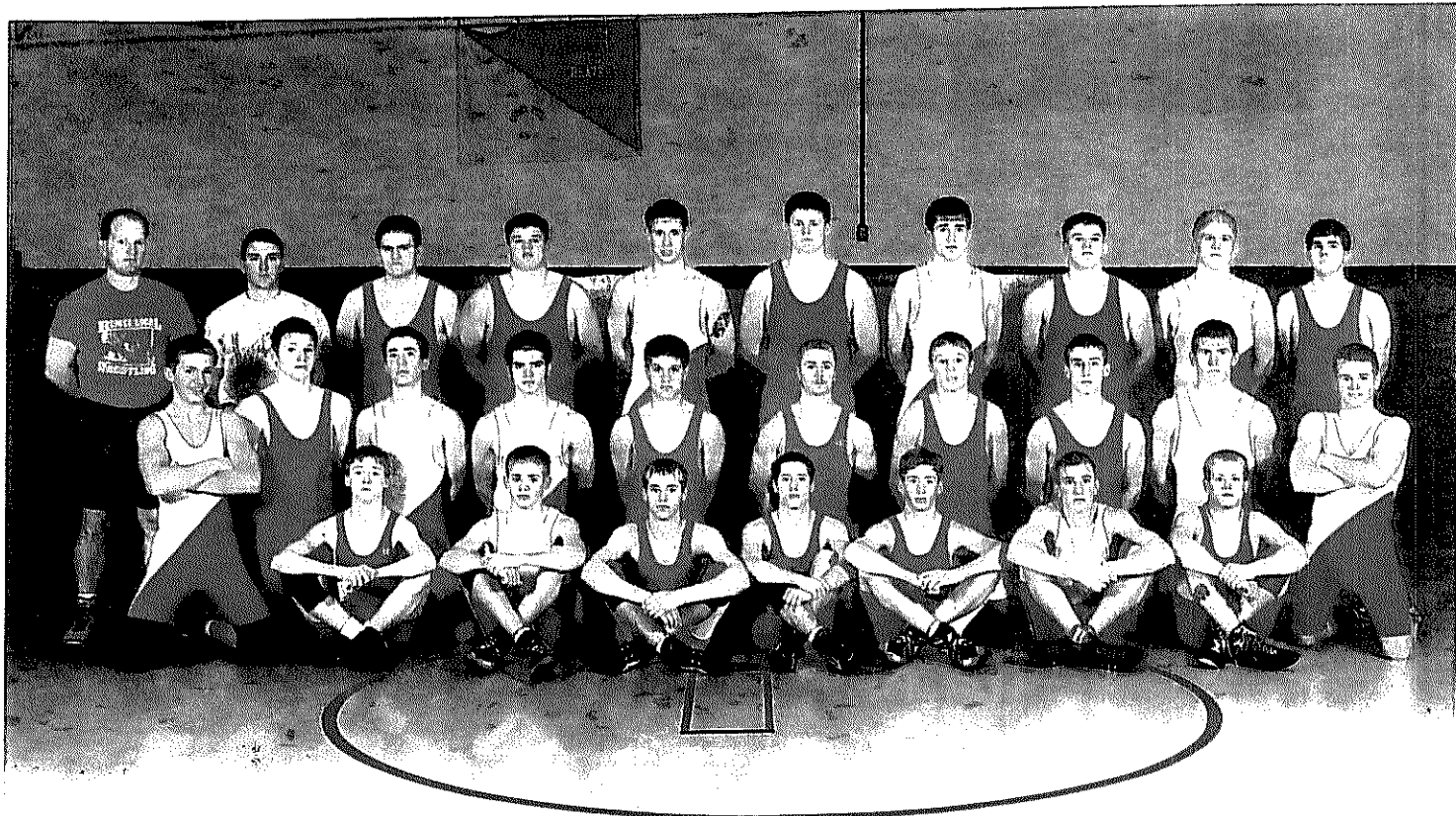
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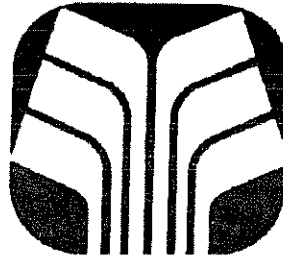
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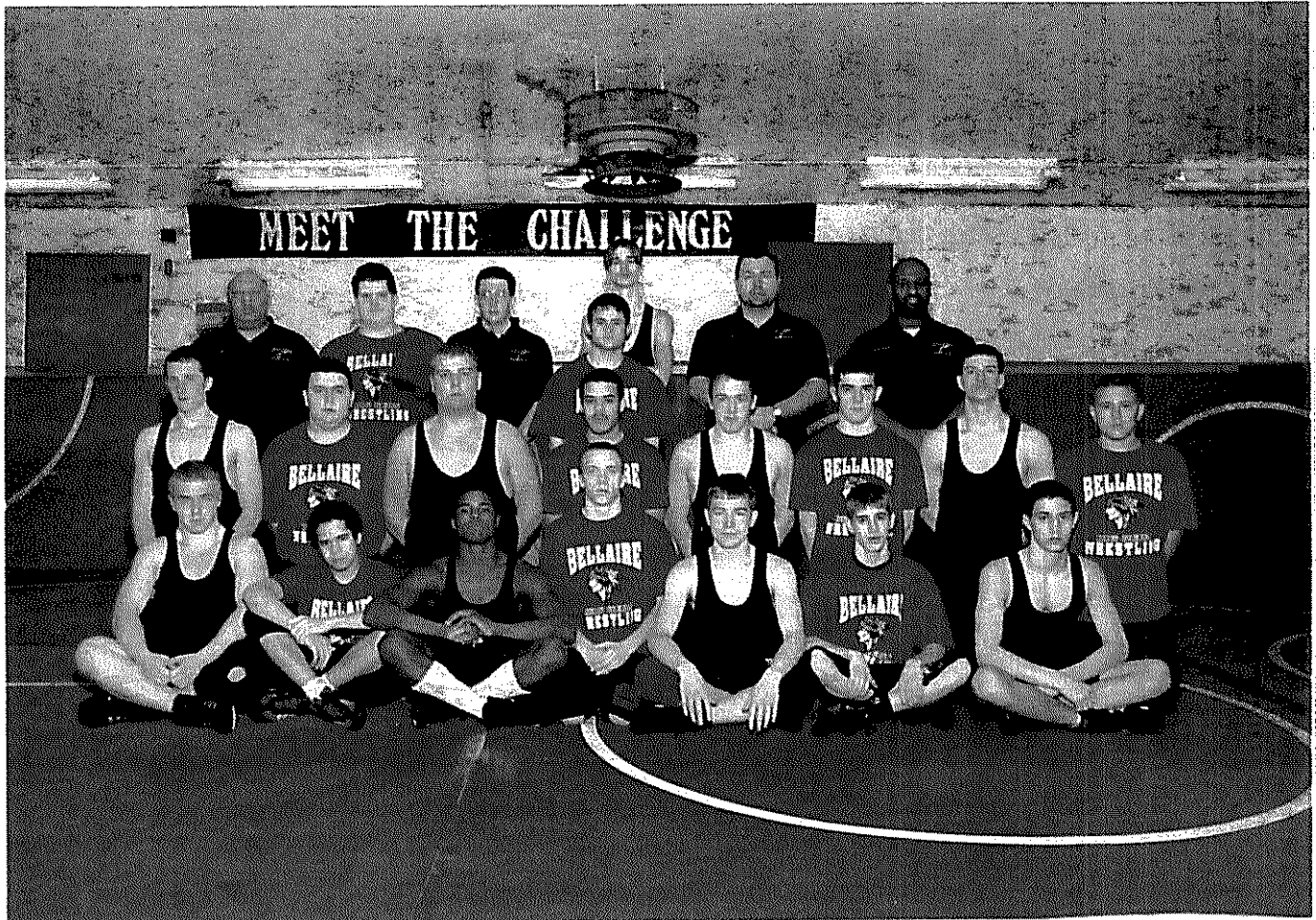


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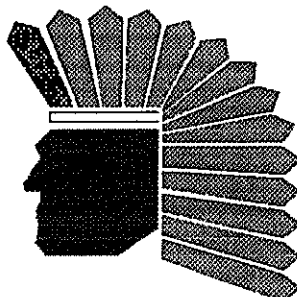
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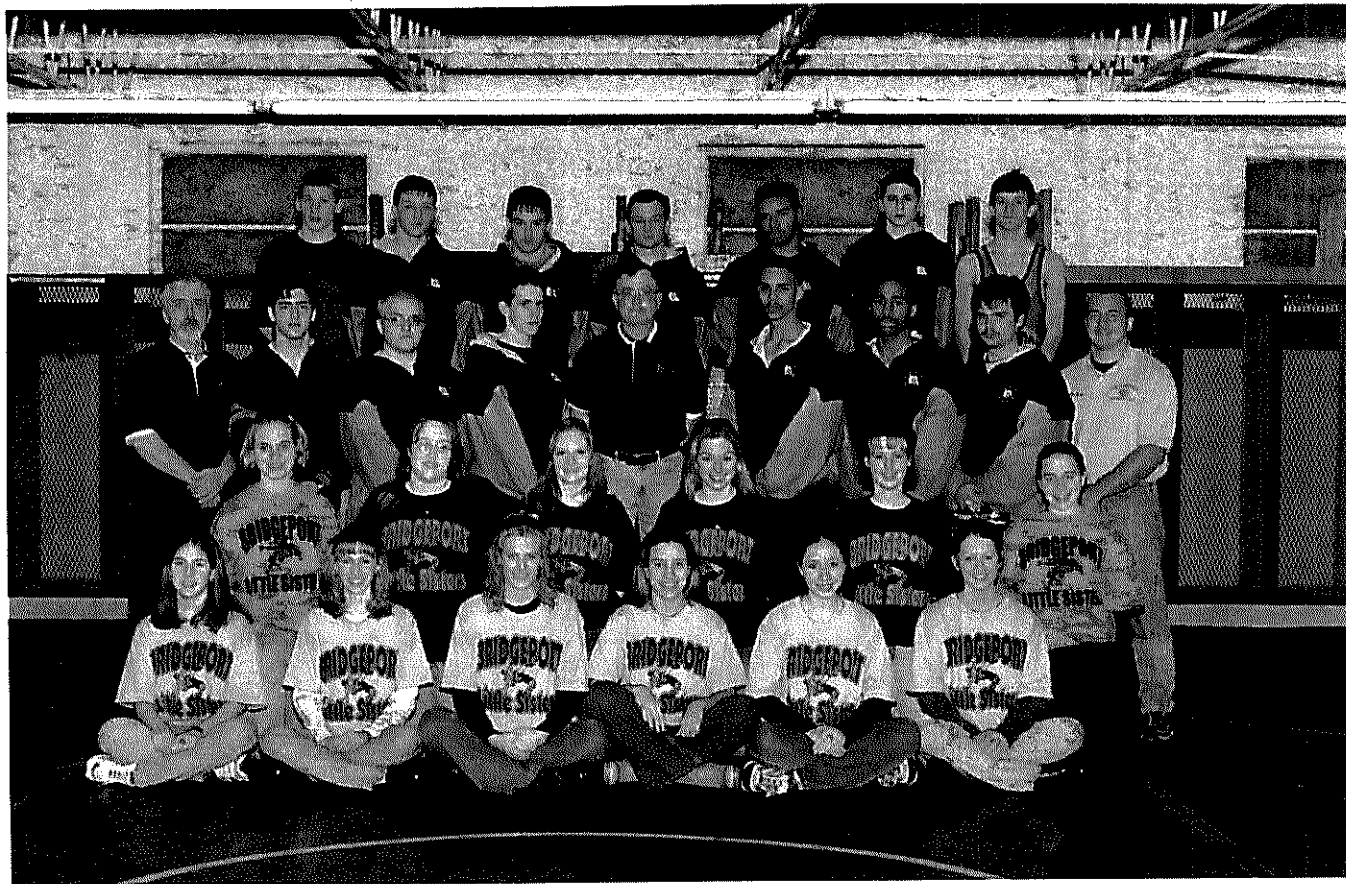
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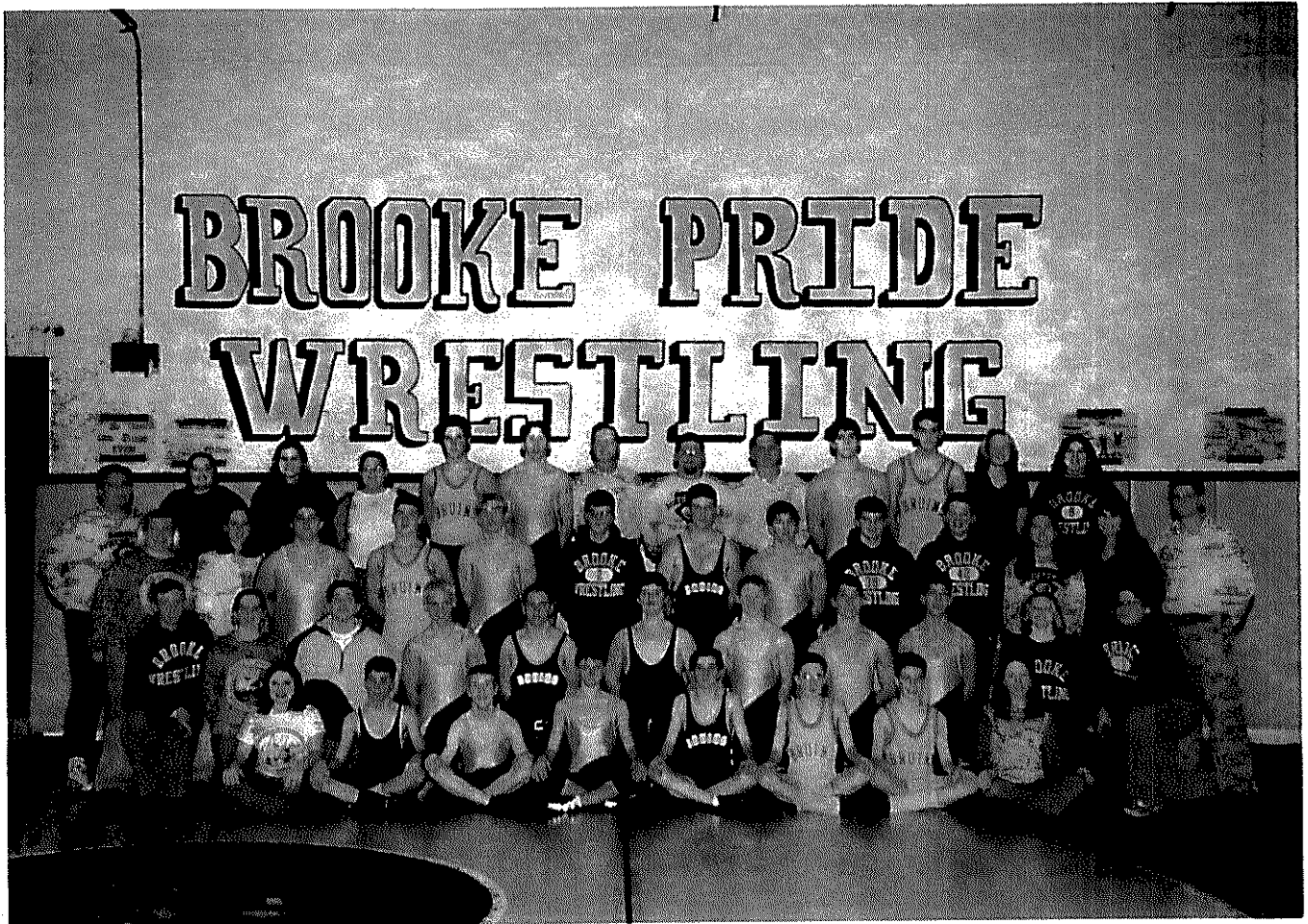
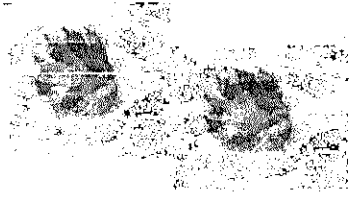
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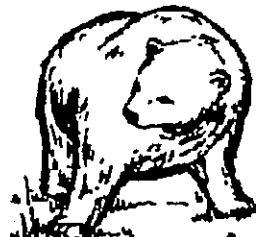
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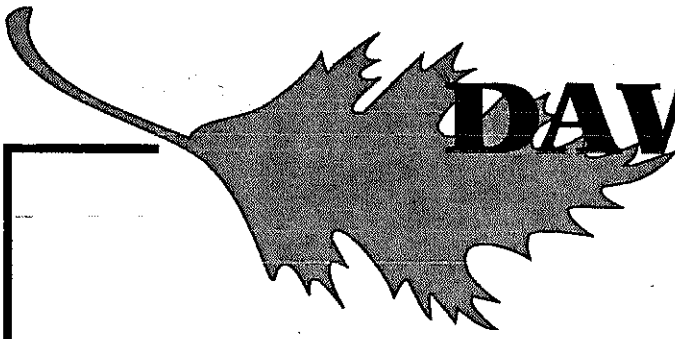
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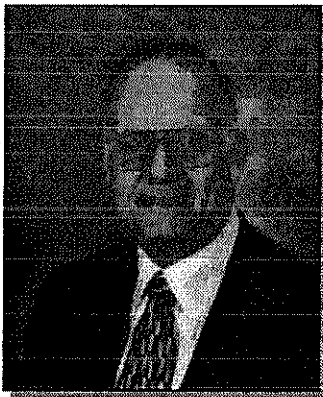


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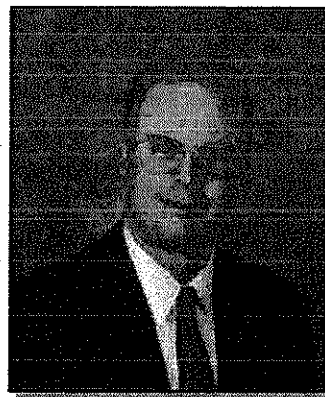
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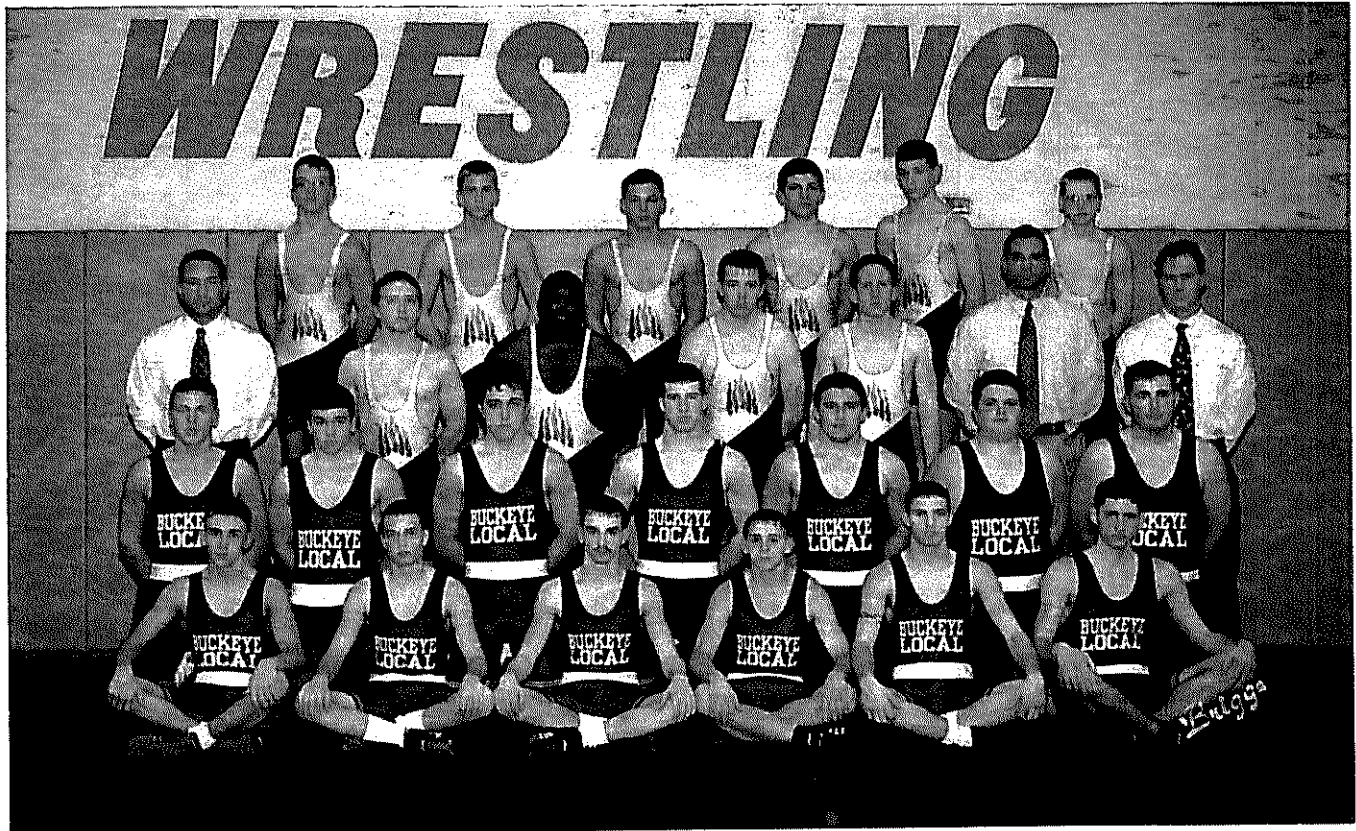
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TEAM SCORING

OVERALL

| | |
|-------------------------|-------|
| 1. East Liverpool ----- | 226 |
| 2. Martins Ferry----- | 211 |
| 3. Oak Glen ----- | 185 |
| 4. Beaver Local ----- | 160.5 |
| 5. Cameron ----- | 149 |
| 6. Barnesville----- | 144 |
| 7. Buckeye Local ----- | 129 |
| 8. Steubenville ----- | 113 |
| 9. Wheeling Park ----- | 110 |
| 10. Edison----- | 102.5 |

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|-------------------------|-------|
| 1. East Liverpool ----- | 226 |
| 2. Buckeye Local ----- | 129 |
| 3. Steubenville ----- | 113 |
| 4. Wheeling Park ----- | 110 |
| 5. Edison ----- | 102.5 |
| 6. John Marshall----- | 78.5 |
| 7. Brooke----- | 66 |
| 8. Weir----- | 43 |
| 9. Cambridge----- | 30.5 |

AA

| | |
|------------------------------|------|
| 1. Barnesville ----- | 144 |
| 2. Wellsville----- | 65.5 |
| 3. Shenandoah ----- | 62 |
| 4. River----- | 32.5 |
| 5. Monroe Central----- | 31 |
| 6. Steubenville Central----- | 30 |
| 7. Caldwell ----- | 28 |

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| 1. Martins Ferry----- | 211 |
| 2. Oak Glen----- | 185 |
| 3. Beaver Local ----- | 160.5 |
| 4. St. Clairsville ----- | 102 |
| 5. Union Local----- | 95.5 |
| 6. Harrison Central----- | 76 |
| 7. Bellaire----- | 62 |
| 8. Indian Creek ----- | 61 |
| 9. Meadowbrook ----- | 31 |
| 10. Magnolia----- | 18 |
| 11. Tyler Consolidated----- | 15 |

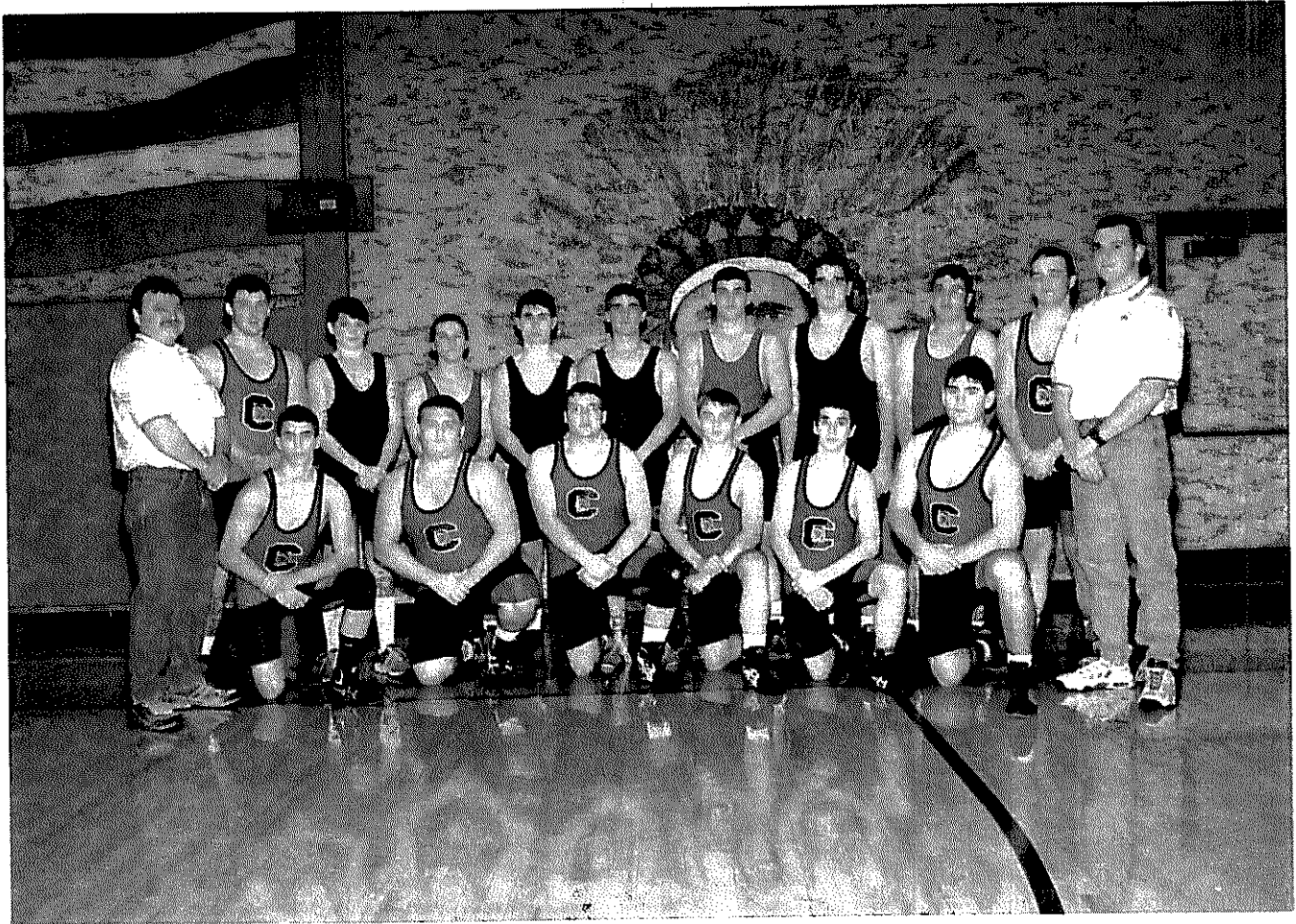
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| 1. Cameron ----- | 149 |
| 2. Bellaire St. John----- | 91.5 |
| 3. Shadyside ----- | 79 |
| 4. Beallsville ----- | 54 |
| 5. Bridgeport ----- | 25 |
| 6. Weirton Madonna----- | 18 |
| 7. Linsly----- | 11 |

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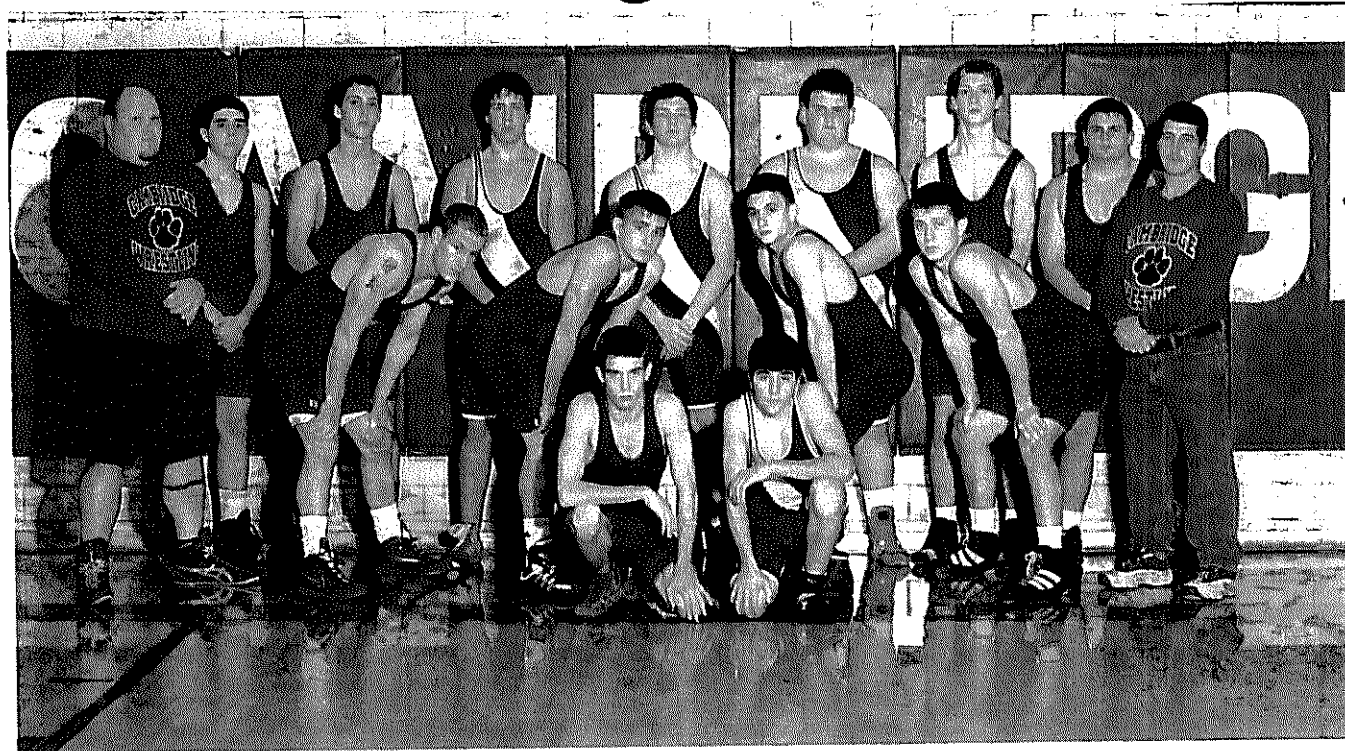


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 81 - 82 - Brian Duff - 155 AA 5th State
 82 - 83 - Jamie Price - Hwt AAA 5th State
 83 - 84 - Dennis Daugherty - 119
 83 - 84 - Heath Beardmore - 126 *
 83 - 84 - Tom Pontius - 132
 87 - 88 - "Tank" Moore - Hwt Div II 3rd State
 91 - 92 - Kelly Stevens - 171
 92 - 93 - Jeremy Wilkinson - 152 Div II State Champ
 94 - 95 - T.J. King - 160
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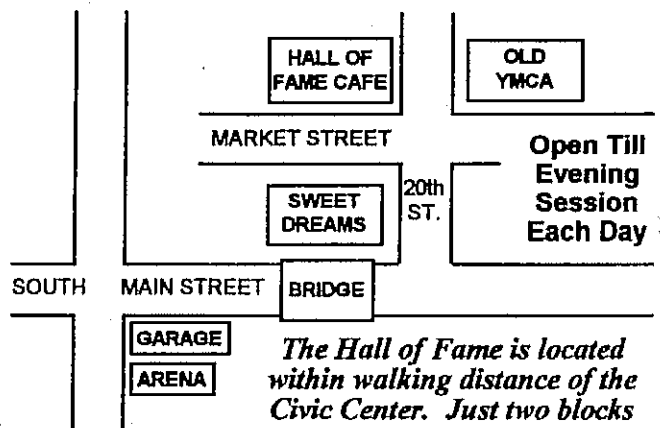
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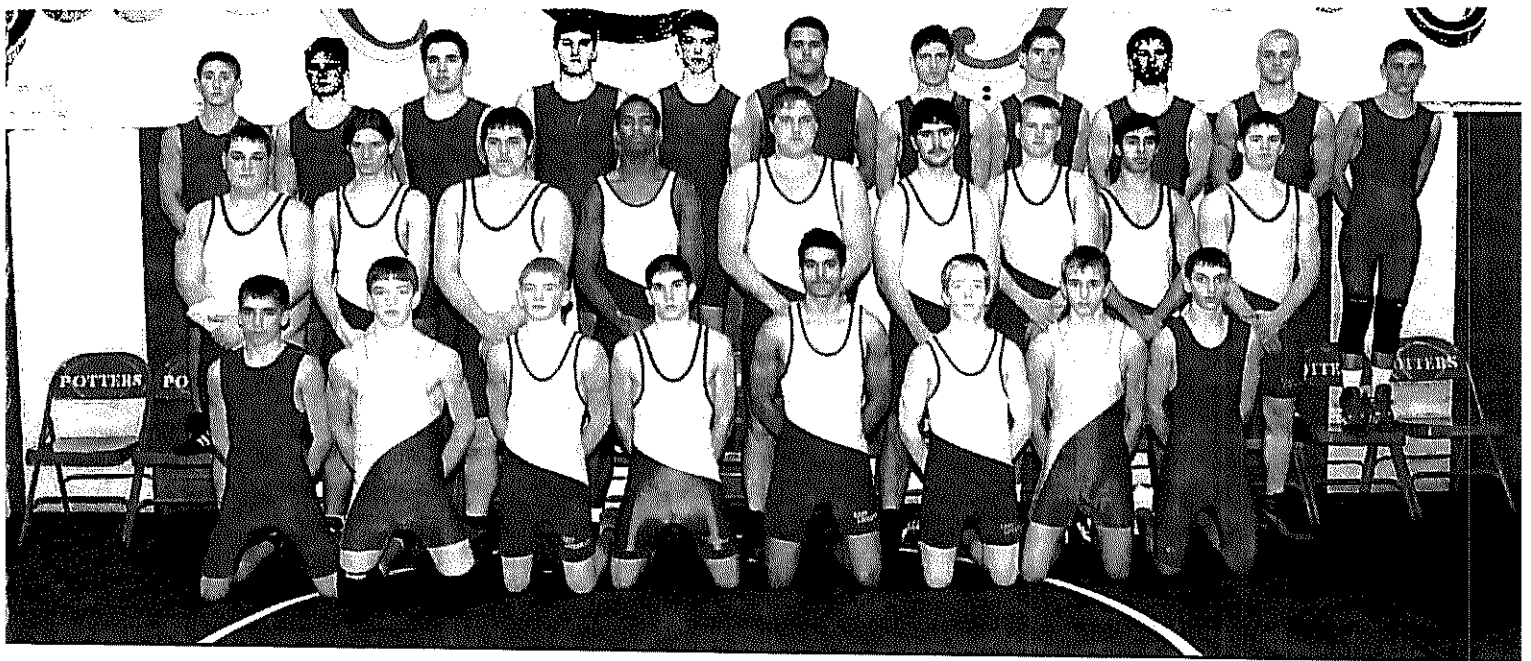
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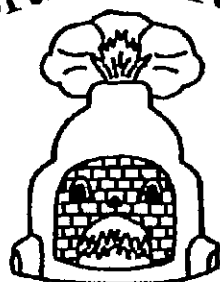
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In recognition of his long and abiding love for wrestling and his working commitment to the OVAC, the Morris family has determined that a perpetual tribute to his memory shall be in the form of an annual award and scholarship.

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To qualify for the scholarship, an OVAC wrestler must apply to be selected and recognized as the recipient of this Scholarship Award. The criteria used to determine the winner is structured to place great emphasis on Good Sportsmanship and a favorable evaluation of his academic and wrestling achievements.

A plaque, allowing for the listing of successive honorees, shall be prominently displayed, along with other OVAC awards.

It is obvious that much prayerful thought went into the decision to honor "Dead Eye" in this memorable fashion. It could only have been the product of individuals with an appreciation for and the experience of what this tournament is all about.



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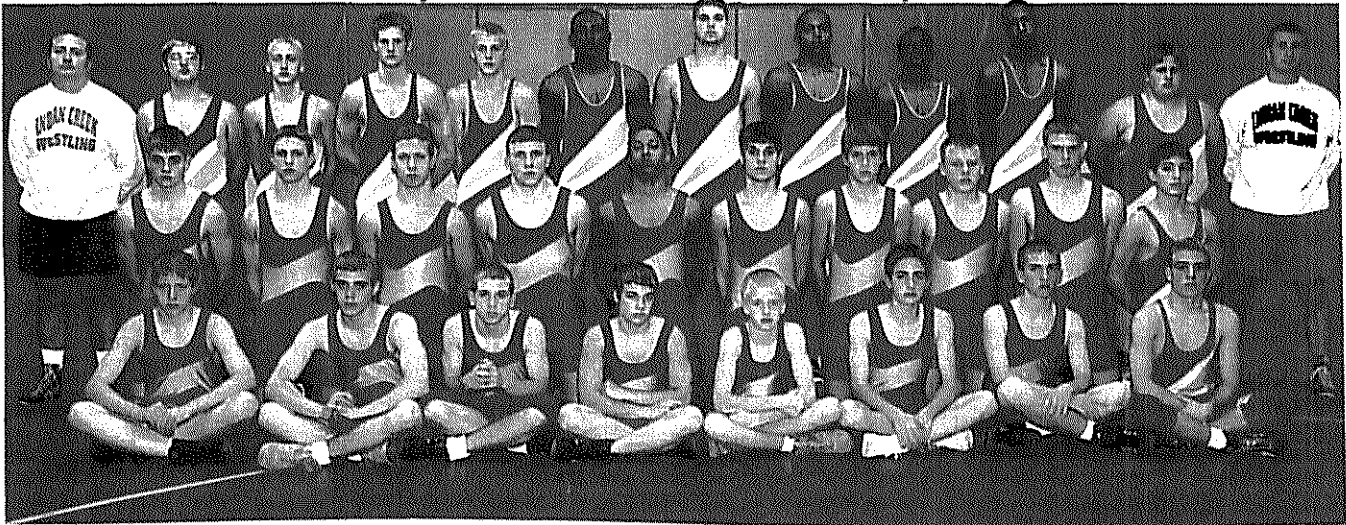
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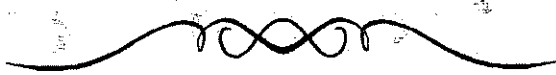
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In 1980 a scholarship was established in Coach Kovalick’s honor, by the OVAC Wrestling Coaches Association, to recognize a college-bound scholar/wrestler, in the amount of \$1,000 to be awarded annually.

During opening ceremonies of the 1985 Tournament a bronze plaque was unveiled, and now hangs in the lobby of the Wheeling Civic Center, inscribed in fitting tribute:

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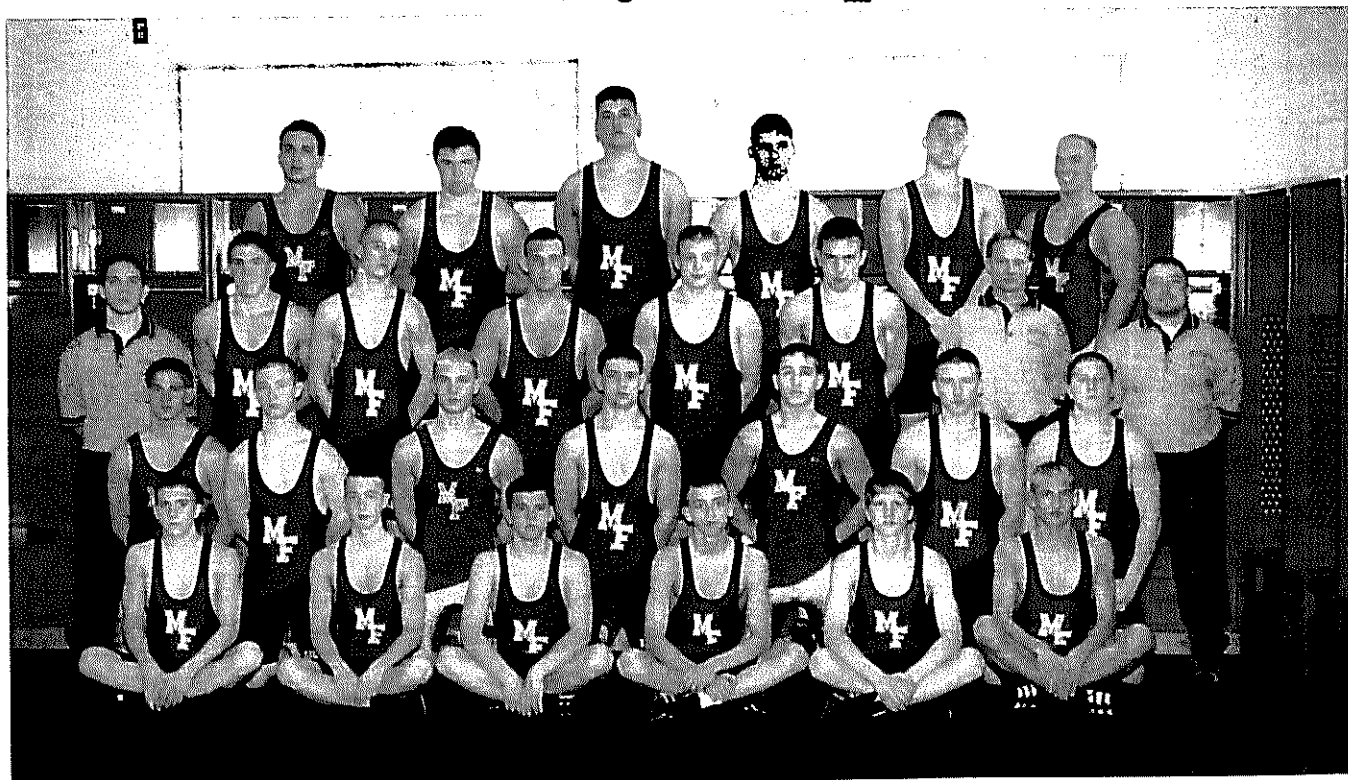
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| 1982 Dave Delande, St Clairsville | 1992 John Gibeaut, Union Local |
| 1983 Scott Mills, Steubenville | 1993 Dave Norris, Cameron |
| 1984 Tim Ward, Beallsville | 1994 Chad Burge, Cameron |
| 1985 Charlie Keenan, Steubenville | 1995 Brian Roskovich, Bridgeport |
| Darrin Heavilin, Cadiz | 1996 Eric Anderson, St. John’s |
| 1986 Mike Imbroscio, Bellaire | 1997 Sean Doyle, Buckeye Local |
| 1987 Vinnie Monseau, Wheeling Park | 1998 Aaron Monseau, Wheeling Park |
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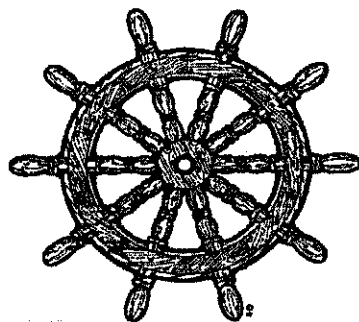
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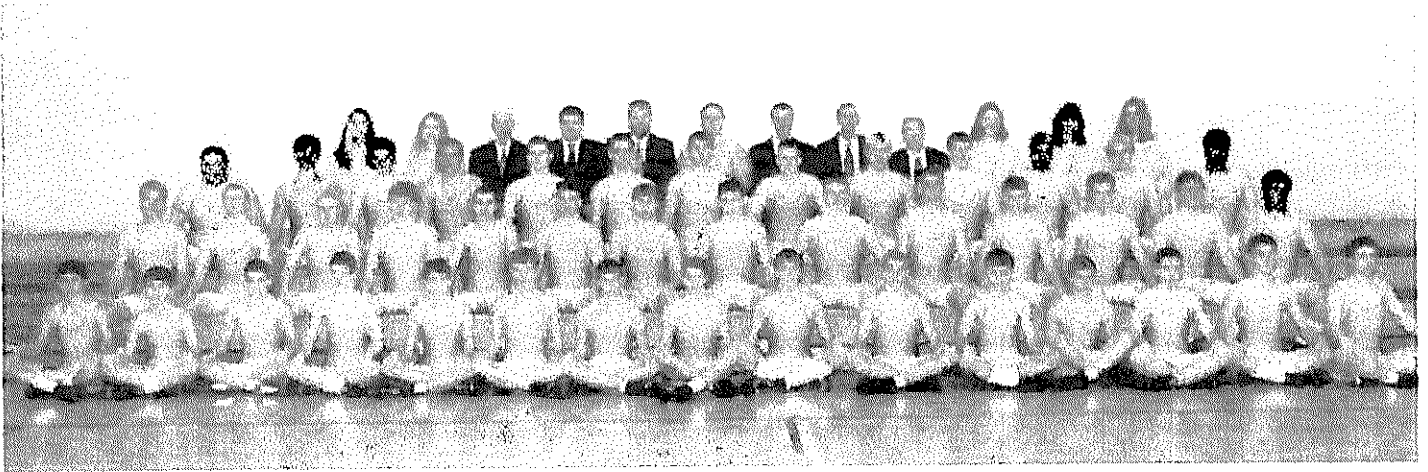
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Third Row: Joe Caughey, Derrick Stickle, Patrick Vulgamore, Ronnie Hebrock, Bill Whitehill, Bill Duley, Shawn Ware, Jeff Hukill, George Jones, Phillip Bellville, Greg Six, Bob Lee, Patrick McGillan

Fourth Row: Brad Stafford

Not Pictured: Gaelen Lowers

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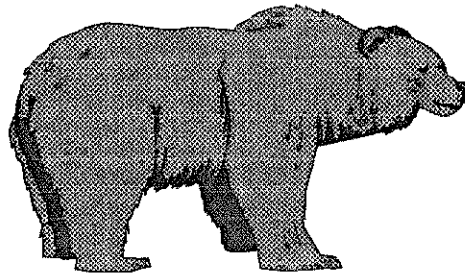
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THE OVAC Wrestling Tournament

Its birth . . . growth . . . and tradition

By Richard Keith Wolf



It began as all ideas . . . the dream of one man . . . the late George Kovalick.

In March of 1954, Wheeling, Bridgeport, Barnesville, and Linsley Institute competed in the inaugural OVAC Wrestling Tournament at Bridgeport.

The following year Weirton was added as the Tournament moved to Barnesville.

The tournament returned to Bridgeport in 1956, where it remained through 1958, while growing to 7 participating schools.

After 5 years as Tournament Director, Coach Kovalick relinquished the reins to John "Corky" Vrotsos when the tournament moved to Martins Ferry.

Over the next 9 years, the tournament grew to 18 teams, as schools, sometimes reluctantly, added wrestling to their inter-scholastic programs as fan interest blossomed.

There was a concern expressed by participating coaches that the OVAC had never been held in West Virginia.

A decision was made to move the tournament to Moundsville and thereafter to alternate between Ohio and West Virginia.

And so it was, that in 1968, under Co-Directors, George Walley and George Kovalick, the tournament opened with 20 participating schools.

Ironically, no significant mention of alternating tournament sites occurred for the next 8 years, as the tournament grew in both participant and fan numbers.

Several landmark events occurred during the Moundsville Era . . . With 23 schools competing in 1970, the OVAC crowned its first West Virginia team Champion, Wheeling Central Catholic . . . In 1971, following the tragic death of Dave Beirkorette, former OVAC Tournament Champion, the Wheeling Central Catholic Boosters Club established the Dave Beirkorette Wrestling Award to be presented annually to the Most Valuable Wrestler in the Tournament. The first recipient was Don Blum of Martins ferry . . . In 1974, with 32 schools competing, the OVAC became a 3 day event and 6 mats were used for the preliminary rounds . . . In 1975 with 34 schools competing, and as a result of recent large school district consolidations, it was decided that the smaller schools should be competing for team championships against schools of

equal or near equal enrollment. Therefore, classifications were established and in addition to the Overall Team Champion, three (3) Division Champions were also crowned . . . Finally, little Warwood became the first school to win the Overall Team Title without an individual champion.

In 1976, the tournament moved to the Steubenville Diocesan Arena with Bob Hedmond as Director.

It was during this year that the most prestigious honor in OVAC wrestling, "MR. MAT" was established and bestowed. How fitting and appropriate that George Kovalick, affectionately known as, Coach "K", should be the initial recipient of an award earned for "a lifetime of dedication to the sport of wrestling". For this was his idea . . . his dream . . . his energy . . . and his enthusiasm that had made it a reality.

In 1977, school classifications were expanded to four (4) divisions, as paid attendance to the three day event soared to 9,465.

The OVAC Wrestling Tournament and foul weather seem to arrive as distinct, yet inseparable, entities. And so it was, that in 1978, when faced with treacherous highway conditions, resulting from an accumulation of ice and snow, it was deemed necessary to postpone the Friday session until Saturday.

In 1979, the Tournament moved to the Wheeling Civic Center with Ron Mauck as Director. Two (2) major improvements took place that year, (1) the massive floor area of the Civic Center now made it possible to wrestle on eight (8) mats, and (2) eight (8) individual and independent electronic match scoreboard/clocks were purchased.

In 1980, recognition of individual weight-class competitors was expanded to include the top eight (8) places.

That same year, the OVAC Wrestling Coaches Association created, to honor Coach "K", the George E. Kovalick Scholarship, to be presented annually to assist a college-bound scholar/wrestler.

Following the tragic 1982 death of Wheeling Park High School wrestler, Danny Burke, his parents established a living tribute to his memory. In 1983, the first annual Daniel M. Burke Memorial Wrestling Scholarship was awarded to John Witzberger of Wheeling Central.

"In 1997, following the untimely passing of James "Dead Eye" Morris, in tribute to his long and abiding love for wrestling and his devotion to the OVAC, the Morris family and sons, Jeff and Gregg (both former OVAC champions) established both an annual sportsman award and a scholarship in his memory."

The threatening flood was more a probability than a possibility when the 43rd Annual Tournament opened on Thursday, January 19, 1996. When it became evident that we had to deal with the certainty, a prudent, yet difficult and unpopular, decision was made to discontinue wrestling at 6:00 PM on Friday, January 19, 1996 and to resume at that point on Sat. January 27, 1996.

To accomplish this monumental task would require the complete cooperation of everyone involved, including, but not limited to, wrestlers, coaches, athletic directors, tournament workers, referees, and the re-scheduling or dropping of other meets and/or tournaments, and a host of individual problems faced by each and everyone associated with an undertaking of this magnitude.

An indication of the level of cooperation and commitment to the OVAC was never more evident than when the Tournament reconvened one week later, just as though it were a part of the original plan.

However, none of this could have taken place

without the cooperation, understanding, and participation of the Civic Center Staff, under the supervision of its congenial and tireless Director, Dennis Magruder.

WTOV - Channel 9 - Steubenville as a corporate sponsor, demonstrated their enthusiastic support for OVAC Wrestling when they initiated live television coverage of all weight class championship bouts in 1998.

In the spring of 1999, the dynamic force behind the growth & expansion of the OVAC, Sam Mumley, Executive Sec'y. for 32 years, succumbed to his battle with cancer. Steve Kish, Superintendent of Martins Ferry schools, willingly stepped in to fill the void and served as Interim Exec. Sec'y. until Tom Rataiczak assumed the permanent position in the fall of '99.

It is our fond wish that this tournament will continue to grow . . . if not in size, hopefully in stature . . . as a symbol of all that is good and decent. For there is no greater satisfaction than that which one receives from the investment of time and energy devoted to youth.

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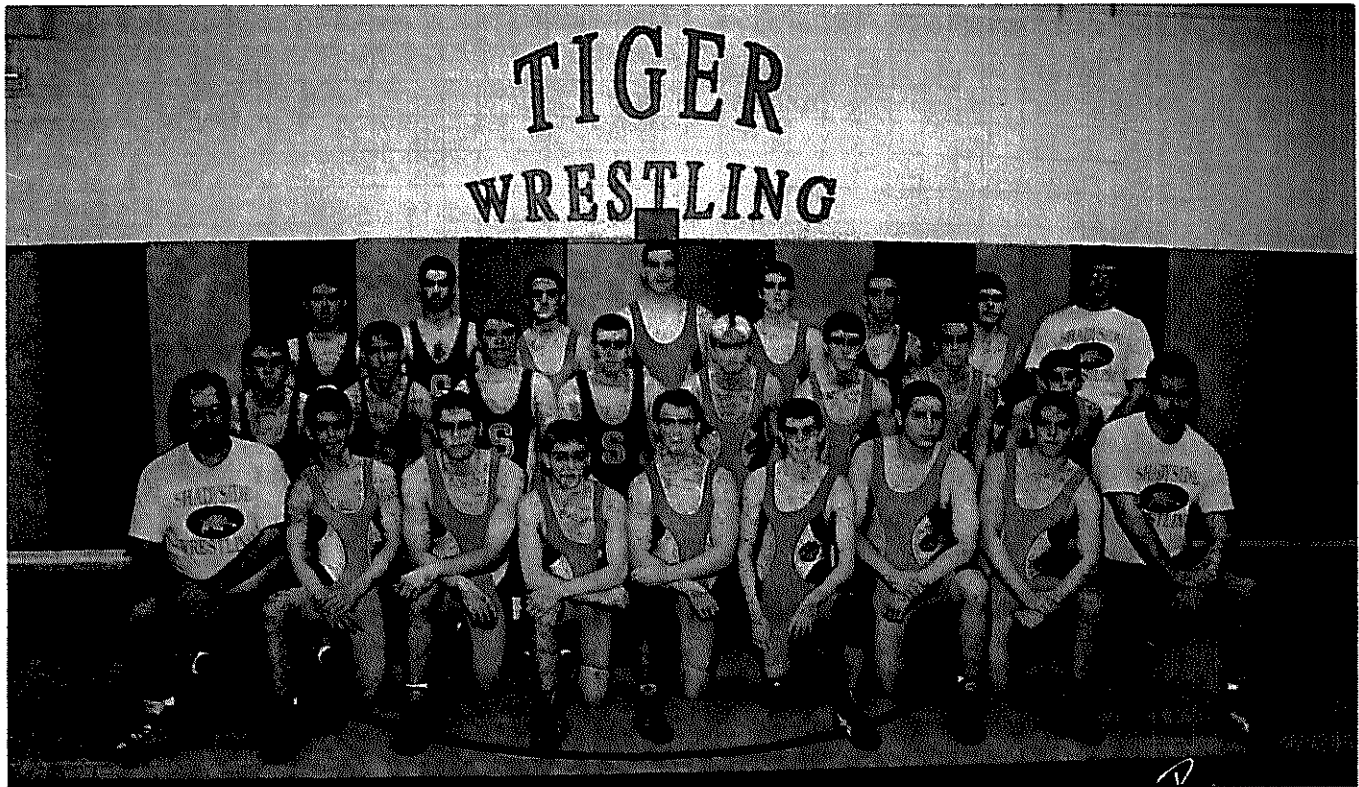
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Front Row (L To R): Coach Grinch, Bryan Ramsay, Brian Hepburn, Derek Ramsay, Kurt Galsser, David Jack, Trey Hepburn, Sean Grinch, Coach Haswell

Middle Row: Frank Merritt, Kyle Glasser, Daniel VanDyke, Lucas Morgan, Jesse Irwin, Bobby Samsa, Kyle Wallace, Chris Jack

Back Row: Josh Carpenter, Andrew Lackman, Luke Burkhardt, Chris Wallace, Mike Frollini, Doug Ritz, Jacob Lackman, Coach Beckett



DAVID BIERKORTTE AWARD

Dave BIERKORTTE was an outstanding student/athlete at Wheeling Central High School.

He was crowned the 165# Champion of the OVAC Wrestling Tournament in 1970 and finished the season undefeated.

He was fatally injured in an auto accident that Spring, during his Junior year in high school.

The Wheeling Central Catholic Booster Club decided that the best way to pay tribute and honor the memory of their fallen hero was to create, in his name, a perpetual memorial,

thus was established The David Bierkortte Award.

The recipient of this award is to be announced during the awards ceremony following the conclusion of the Tournament. The honoree, as selected by a panel of judges, is deemed to be the **Most Valuable Wrestler** in the tournament. Formal presentation of the award will take place at The OVAC Annual Spring Awards Banquet.

Each successive recipient brings greater stature and prestige to this coveted award as envisioned by the Booster Club.

DAVE BIERKORTTE WRESTLING AWARD WINNERS

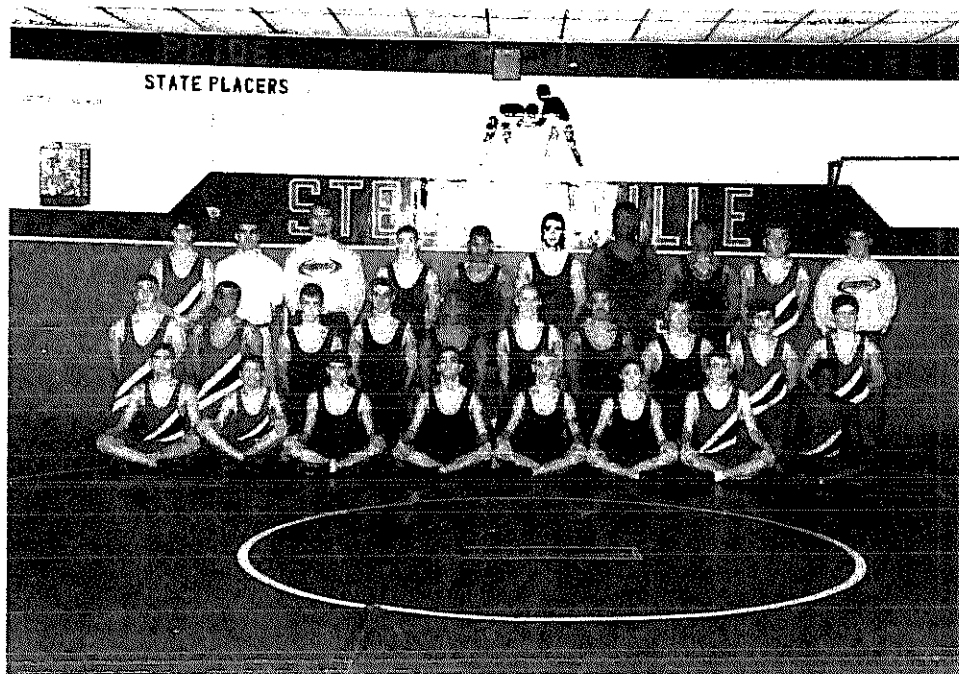
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|------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| 1971 | Don Blum | Martins Ferry High School |
| 1972 | Art Jones | Bellaire High School |
| 1973 | Dan Claugus | Barnesville High School |
| 1974 | Shelden Grace | Weirton High School |
| 1975 | 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 | Randy Pryor | Weirton High School |
| 1980 | Trent Iachini | Steubenville High School |
| 1981 | Mike Thuchowski | Steubenville High School |
| 1982 | Larry Isleman | Toronto High School |
| 1983 | Brian Miller | Barnesville High School |
| 1984 | Heath Beadmore | Cambridge High School |
| 1985 | Tim Moxley | Barnesville High School |
| 1986 | Sean Murray | Oak Glen High School |
| 1987 | Mark Mlynec | Bellaire High School |
| 1988 | Rick Burlenski | Bridgeport High School |
| 1989 | Mark Emmerling | East Liverpool High School |
| 1990 | Babe Sidon | Martins Ferry High School |
| 1991 | Douglas Knight | Steubenville High School |
| 1992 | R.C. Anderson | Cameron High School |
| 1993 | Kelly Shields | Edison South High School |
| 1994 | Dustin Harris | Beaver Local High School |
| 1995 | Justin Ewing | St. Clairsville High School |
| 1996 | Eric Anderson | St. John's High School |
| 1997 | Ryan Muldrew | John Marshall |
| 1998 | Chad Pratz | The Linsly School |
| 1999 | Josie Smith | Cambridge High School |
| 2000 | Scott Roth | Martins Ferry |

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WRESTLING TEAM

2000 - 2001

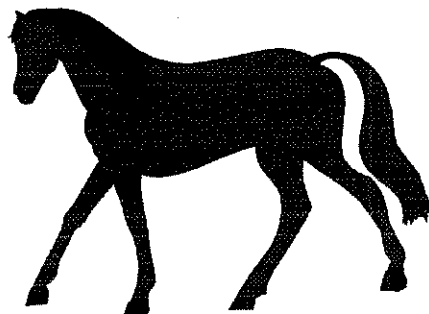


Front Row (L To R): Mike Haines, Thad Crosier, Ben Young, Mike Licata, David Babel, Josh Mullins, Richard Crossley, and Kent Holmes

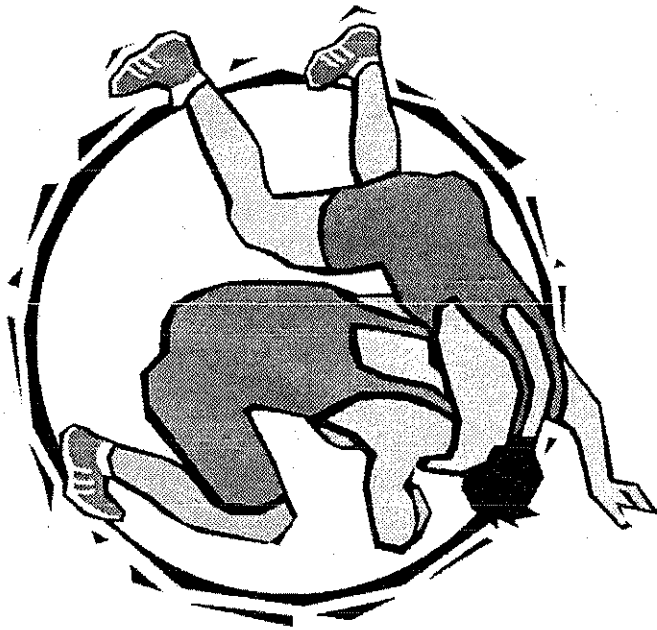
Middle Row: Russell Cain, Daniel Smith, Paul Sweeney, Steve Haines, Josh Jones, Josh West, James Lyons, David Diccico, Joe Pasquarella, and David Ross

Back Row: Bob Antinone, Head Coach - Mark Emmerling, Asst. Coach - Chanosky, Jake Seminara, Roland Reid, Jimmy Snyder, Tony Jones, Mike VanVoltenburg, and Asst. Coach - Lamanti

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The coach, he will show you the best way to move,
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At dual meets, you'll see them whispering a prayer,
As their boy must compete with no one else there,
Whatever the outcome - mom cheers with deep pride,
While dad - you will notice - stands right by his side.

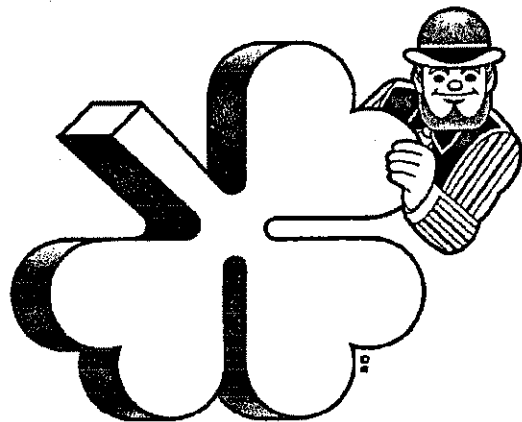
They'll drive to a tournament many miles away,
To witness a son who's prepared for this day,
Their boy, he has trained, with all of his might,
Having hopes of becoming a champion tonight.

But should he fall short, at his corner you'll find,
A mother and father - supportive and kind,
They teach that through wrestling he'll learn about life,
Yes, living is filled with both triumph and strife.

Now if you are searching for people who care,
Just look by a mat, they'll always be there,
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By Bill Welker, Ed. D.

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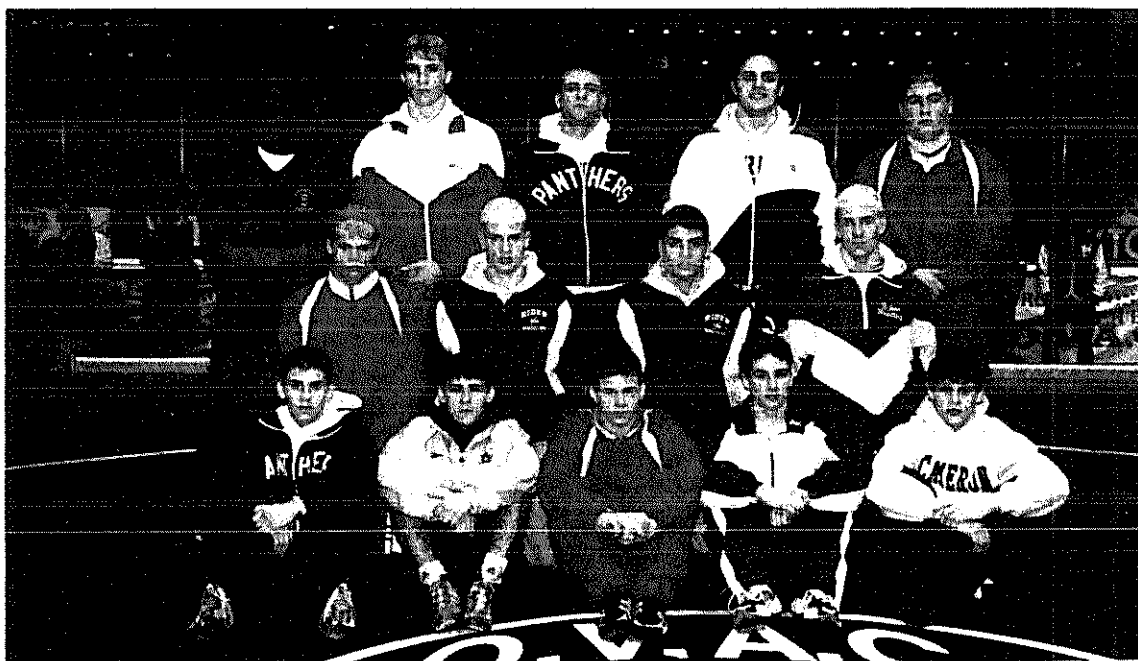
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| E.LIVER P. | 22 6 | M FERRY | 21 1 | BARNESV. | 14 4 | CAMER'N | 14 9 |
| BUCK L | 12 9 | OAKGLEN | 18 5 | WELLS | 65 ½ | ST.JOHN | 95 ½ |
| STEUBBR. | 11 3 | BEAV L | 10 | SEEN | 62 | SHADYS. | 79 |
| WHG.PARK | 11 0 | ST.CLAFT | 10 | RIVER | 32 ½ | BEALLSV. | 54 |
| EDISON LOCAL | 93 ½ | UNION L | 95 ½ | MONROE CENTRAL | 31 | BRIDG P | 25 |

2000 OVAC WRESTLING TOURNAMENT INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS



1st Row - (L to R): 103 - Nathan Kendjorsky, Buckeye Local; 112 - Nick Rossiter, Cadiz; 119 - Cole Bowersock, Beaver Local; 125 - Micah Jordan, East Liverpool; 130 - Roger Kuffer, Cameron
Middle Row - (L to R): 135 - Aaron Westover, Beaver Local; 140 - Greg Ware, Martins Ferry; 145 - Scott Roth, Martins Ferry; 152 - Derek Koch, Cameron
Back Row - (L to R): 160 - Ethan Birden, Steubenville; 171 - Mike Davis, Union Local; 189 - Adam Beranek, Buckeye Local; 215 - Steve Ochap, Wheeling Park; 275 - Rick Prescott, Beaver Local

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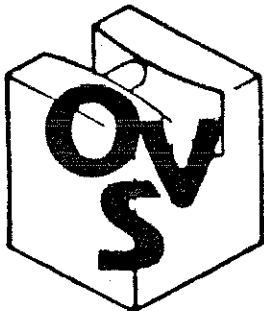
3rd Row: Dennis Nardo, Tom Snyder, Josh Bailey, Mitchell Jellison, Kevin Berry, Ryan Cecil, Nathan Gossett, Josh Harris, Matt Duvall, and Craig Blevins

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Row Two: Dustin Culp, Kris Sell, Billy Watson, Bobby Wetzel, Paul Drysdale, Billy McGonigal, Brian Fisher

Row Three: Assistant Coach Todd Smith, Jimmy Myers, Jonathan Arnette, Aaron Groff, Ross Oliver, Will Collins, Skylar King, Steve Davis, Head Coach Sean Smith

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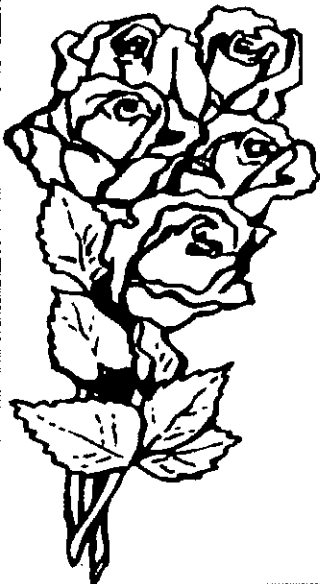
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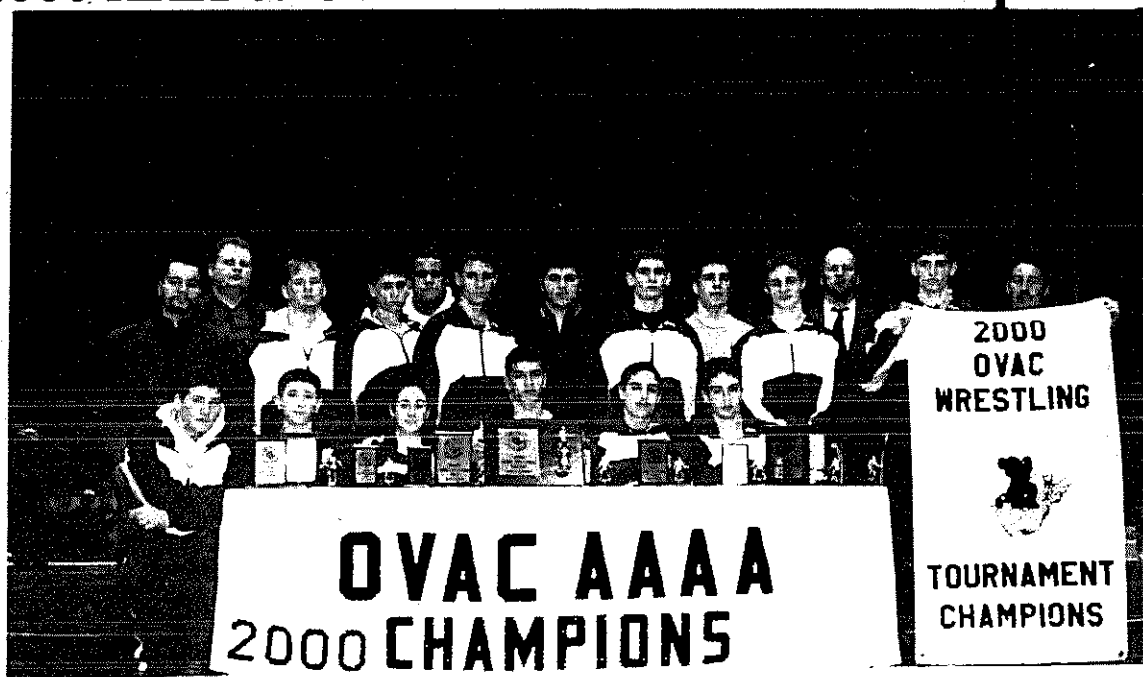
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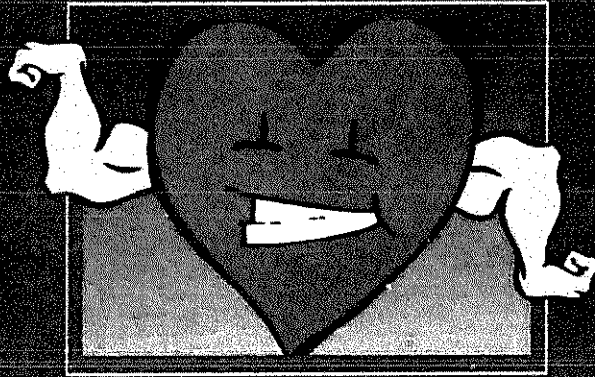
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TOURNAMENT TEAM RESULTS
OVERALL**

| | |
|---------------------------|-------|
| East Liverpool..... | 226 |
| Martins Ferry..... | 211 |
| Oak Glen..... | 185 |
| Beaver Local..... | 160.5 |
| Cameron..... | 149 |
| Barnesville..... | 144 |
| Buckeye Local..... | 129 |
| Steubenville..... | 113 |
| Wheeling Park..... | 110 |
| Edison Local..... | 102.5 |
| St. Clairsville..... | 102 |
| Union Local..... | 95.5 |
| Bellaire St. John..... | 91.5 |
| Shadyside..... | 79 |
| John Marshall..... | 78.5 |
| Harison Central..... | 76 |
| Brooke..... | 66 |
| Wellsville..... | 65.5 |
| Bellaire..... | 62 |
| Shenandoah..... | 62 |
| Indian Creek..... | 61 |
| Beallsville..... | 54 |
| Weirton..... | 43 |
| River Local..... | 32.5 |
| Monroe Central..... | 31 |
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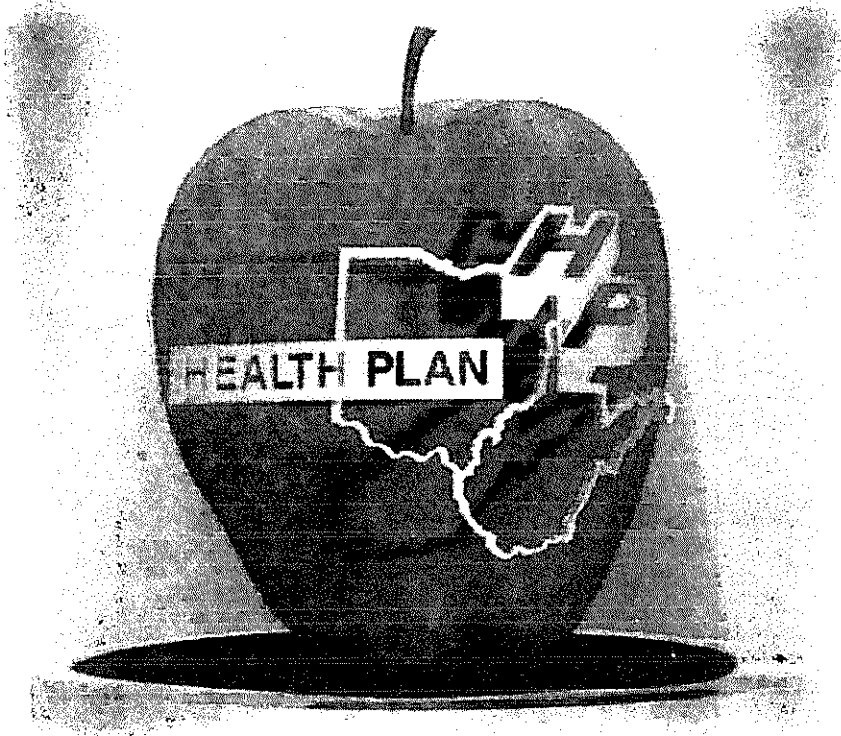
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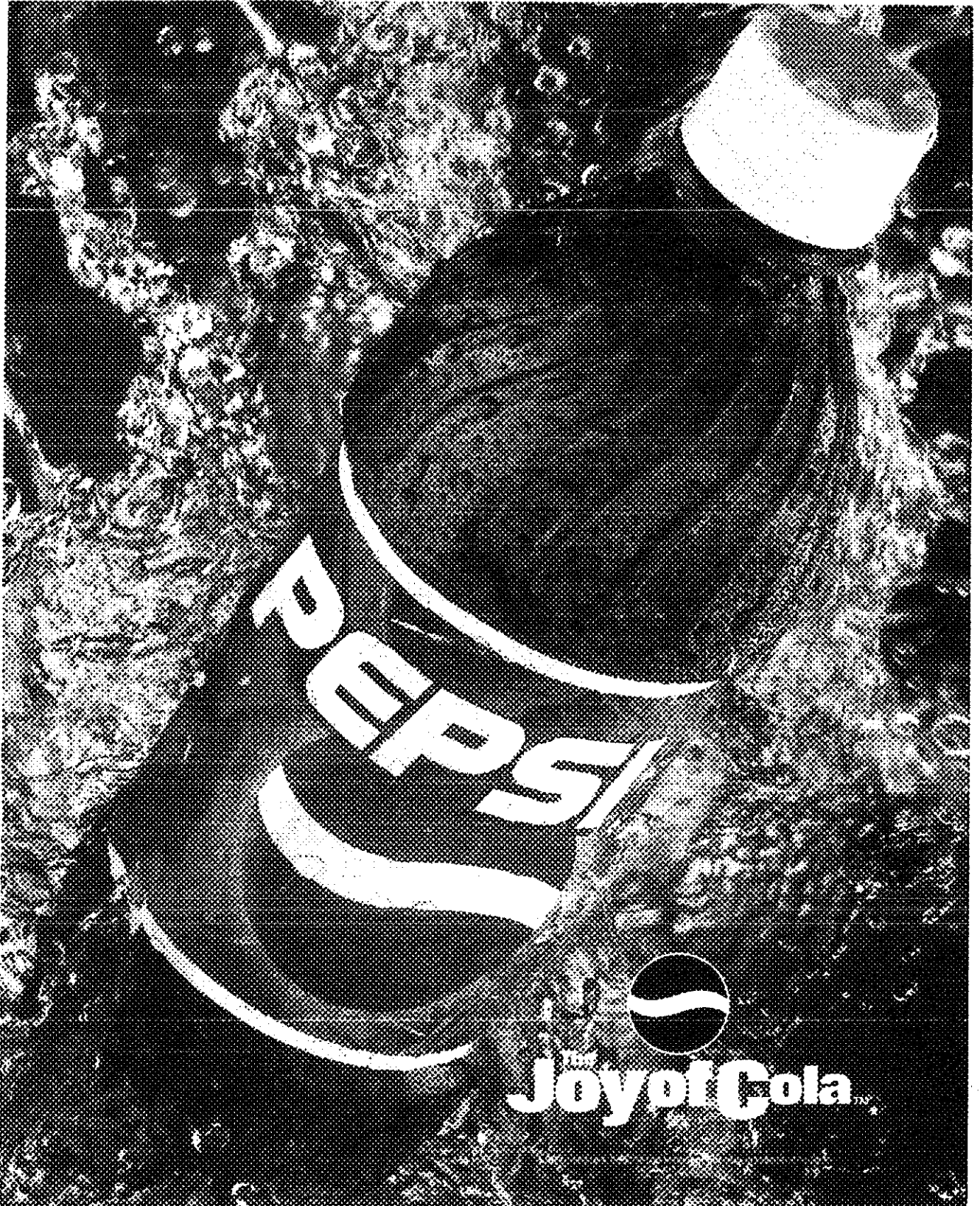
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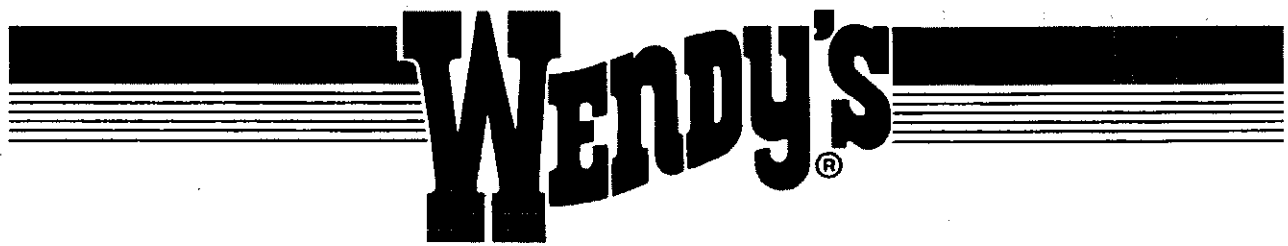
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